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15th June 1945

2.13.163/05.

Subject: International Red Cross: Communications between Italian Delegation and Geneva

To : CG; 1271

Reference by 2.13.163/03 of 9th June (copy to CG for prior notification).

1. A copy of a report by the Postal Officer, Lombardy Region is enclosed giving details of the present position with regard to the transmission of Red Cross correspondence from the North Italian Delegations to Geneva.

2. Can authority be given for the Red Cross "rapid" service correspondence from the Milan Delegation to be sent to Geneva (after censorship) by either (a) Dr. Tassinari - the Red Cross representative or (b) a special Post Office despatch via Chiasso? Also any similar correspondence from all other Red Delegations in Italy be sent to Milan by Allied Communication channels for inclusion in the same service from Milan, such letters being censored at point of origin or Milan.

WJL

H. R. GORDON
Lt. Colonel, R.C.A.
Director.

1 Enc.

Copy of: 103-311.21.13 of 11th June 1945

CG 1271

Copy to: Civil Censorship Group
Postal Officer Lombardy Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

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FOS-311.21.18

11 June 1945

SUBJECT: International Red Cross: Communications between Italian Delegations and Geneva.

TO : Deputy Director, Communications Sub-Commission, HQ ALCON, APO 394, U. S. Army.

1. Reference your letter, subject above, File No. P.13.158.CS, of 5 June 1945, this office contacted the local representative of the IRC, Dott. K. Tschudi and the following information obtained:

a. Transmittal.

1. Incoming: No correspondence permitted to leave Geneva *(THRU MAIL)*.

2. Outgoing: Up to a few days ago, at which time a ban was placed on the entrance to Switzerland unless a special permit is obtained, which Dr. Tschudi has not at the present time but is trying to obtain one, he, in agreement with CIC was able to carry his official mail direct from Milan to Geneva.

b. Censorship.

1. It seems that there was no censorship undertaken on the outgoing mail, either at destination or at point of arrival.

2. As Dr. Tschudi is the representative of the IRC for all of Northern Italy, all official mail from Geneva, Turin and Venice come first to him and he in turn would carry it to Geneva.

3. In view of the above it may be possible to set up a system here where all mail of this category could be concentrated here in Milan, having been already censored at

Letter on IRC, dated 11 June 1945 (Cont'd)

the point of origin, or, if practicable censored here, and a special bag made up by the censorship officer here and then handed over to the delegate for transmission to Geneva by IRC courier. If security does not permit this, it may be arranged where the censorship officer can hand the bag to the local postal authorities, who, in turn could forward them to Geneva through Chiasso.

4. For the present I have advised Dr. Tschudi that should he obtain permission to go to Geneva he should not carry any uncensored mail to or from Switzerland until we give him further orders. This he has agreed to do.

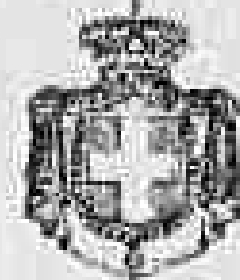
For the Regional Commissioner:

G. A. Alasia
G. A. ALASIA,
Capt., AGD,
Regional Postal Officer.

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*Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni*

A.C. COMUNICATIONS
SUB COMMISSION

Arriva IV Per I La II
Tel. N. 419426.835027.IPS
Allegati

=ROMA=

Riposta al P. 13-154 CS
del 15.5.1945

OGGETTO

Mancata consegna di messaggi della Croce
Rossa

Con riferimento alla nota sopraci-
tata si comunica che le due lettere dirette
ai campi di concentramento per internati
civili di Padula e Napoli sono state tra-
smesse alle rispettive Direzioni Provincia-
li delle Poste di Salerno e di Napoli per
accertare il motivo del rinvio per l'even-
tuale consegna agli internati.

Si fa riserva di riferire al ri-
guardo appena possibile.

Ref. P.13.154/CS, we inform you L DIRETTORE GENERALE
that the 2 letters addressed to
the internee Camps of Padula and
Naples, have been transmitted to their
respective Prov. Directorates Salerno, and
Naples, to ascertain the reason of their
return, and for their eventual delivery to
the addressees. As soon as possible we will
keep you informed.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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R.13.158/GS

5 June 1945

Subject: International Red Cross: Communications between Italian
Delegations and Geneva.

To : R.C. Lombardy Region (attn Postal Officer)
R.C. Liguria " " " "

1. The Rome Delegation of the I.R.C.G. has enquired whether it is now permissible for its official communications and any "express" enquiries proper to the "rapid" service for Geneva to be forwarded through Allied Commission channels to the Milan Delegation for onward transmission by I.R.C.G. courier to Geneva. It is stated that both the Geneva and Milan Delegations have means of sending such messages direct to Geneva.

2. Before the question is referred to A.F.R.C., please investigate and report on the present position as regards censorship and transmission of correspondence between the Northern Italian Delegations and Geneva, with particular regard to the class of correspondence mentioned in para 1.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

WJG
for H.B. JENNINGS
Lt. Colonel Sig.C
Deputy Director.

Copies to:

G-5, AFHQ.
G-2, AFHQ.
Civil Censorship Group.

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CROCE ROSSA ITALIANA
UFFICIO PRIGIONIERI, RICERCHE E SERVIZI CONNESSI

Prot. N. 50287/28

Roma, 14 May 23th 1945
VIA PUGLIE, 6 - Telef. 41-530-484-876
Telegrammi: CROCIROSSA PRIGIONIERI ROMA

Risposta N.

Oggetto

Allegati

AR/1s

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Dear Sir,

With further reference to previous correspondence and arrangements made (see our letter n. 47868/1 D of the 26th march u.s. we now beg to enclose herewith a letter addressed to the

"Army Service Forces
Headquarters Italian Service Units
Port Wadsworth - State Island 5 N.Y. "

together with 54 replies for the prisoners of war residing in the United States and who have had no mail from their families for over six months and shall be greatly obliged if you would kindly arrange for the forwarding in the usual way.

Thanking you very much for your kind cooperation

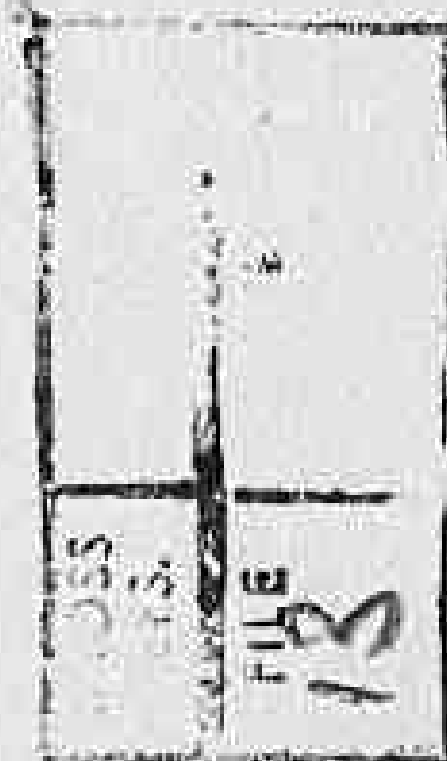
we beg to remain

your sincerely

(A. CASSINIS)
Director Pris. of War Office
ITALIAN RED CROSS

TO
Major GREEN
Postal Service Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

= ROME =



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Date *forwarded by col Routh*

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 Oggetto
 Allegati
 AR/1s

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 ITALIAN RED CROSS

To
 Major GREEN
 Postal Service Sub-Commission
 Allied Commission

= ROME =

Letters apparently forwarded by Col Routh
direct (but see 11/47)



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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
 Date Time of Origin: MAY 190930B

Message Centre No: E/1451
 Date Time Rec'd: MAY 191500B
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ROMA

TO:

DIRPOSTEL PROVINCIA AMMINISTRATE GOVERNO ITALIANO DIRPOSTEL ANCONA ASCOLIFIC
 AREZZO FIRENZE GROSSETO MACERATA PERUCIA SIENA TERNI MAGAZZINO CENTRALE CARTE
 VALORI POSTALI NAPOLI DEPOSITO CARTE VALORI POSTALI PALERMO ET PER
 CONOSCENZA COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE CROCE ROSSA DELEGAZIONI ROMA NAPOLI
 PALERMO AC COMMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMISSION ROMA ALTO COMMISSARIATO SICILIA
 PALERMO ALTO COMMISSARIATO SARDEGNA CAGLIARI STATO MAGGIORE ESERCITO UFF
 SERVIZI ROMA

IN CLEAR.

4/1 SEQUITO CIRCOLARE TELEGRAF 106180 QUATTRO CORRENTE PROVVEDASI AFFINCHÉ
 UFFICI PUR AVENDONE CESSATA VENDITA SEQUITINO DARE CORSO A MODULI MESSAGI CROCE
 ROSSA INTERNAZIONALE ACQUISTATI PUBBLICO PRECEDENTEMENTE CESSAZIONE RELATIVO SERVIZIO
 E SOLTANTO ORA UTILIZZATI.

DRE GLE MUSUMECI

4/1 Following on circular telegram 106180 4 May provide that offices although sale
 has ceased continue the same course to I.R.C. message forms bought previously by
 the public previously cessation such service and which only now can be used.

INFO-ACTION: Communications S/C
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Director	
D/Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
H Q. Coms O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Gen. ship	
Chief Clerk	

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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15 May 1945

P.13.154.GB

SUBJECT: Non delivery of Red Cross Messages.

TO : The Director General, Ministry of Posts and
Telecommunications.

The International Red Cross Committee enquire why
the enclosed letters:-

1) Registered no.
Roma (Succ.1) 585

addressed to Lieut.Col. Carise
Commandant "A" Civilian Internee
Camp CMF
Padula, Italy

2) Addressed Signor Ciro Valdambrini
"A" Civilian Internee Camp CMF
Naples.

have been returned to them as undeliverable.

They maintain that they are correctly addressed,
and wish them to be delivered to the addressees.

J.L.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel.
Director.

Encl: Two registered letters.

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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter Arma Caritas

REF: 4

SERVICE IV

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ROME, le May 4, 1945

28, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63.368

Télex: INTERCHUX - ROME

Major W.H. GREEN

Headquarters Allied
Commission

APO 394

Communications Sub-Commis-
sion.

Dear Major Green,

We thank you for your letter of April 30, 45, ref. P. 13.150/CS, and for all the trouble you have taken to send the parcels of books to Cairo and Algiers by another way since you could not send them by air. We deeply appreciate your kind help and constant collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

For the H.Q. in Italy of the
I.R.C.C.

Alampouari

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WFE/bs

7 May 1945

E.13/52/CS

Subject: International Red Cross Message Scheme-Cessation of Sale of
Message Forms in Liberated Italy.

To : R.C. Toscana Region (attn Postal Officer)
" Emilia-Marche Region " " "

Enclosed is a copy of a communication received from the
International Red Cross and of the telegram which has been sent
by the Ministry to Provincial Directorates including those in
Military Government territory where the forms were on sale.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

J.L. HANCOCKSON
Colonel,
Director.

3 Encl.:

1. Copy of Letter 1 G VI 2366 of 2 May I.R.C.C. to A.C.
2. " " " of 2 May I.R.C.C. to Ministry (a Translation)
3. Circular Telegram issued by Ministry (a Translation)

Copies to:

G-5, A.F.H.Q.
R.C. Liguria Region (attn Postal Officer)
" Lombardia " " " "
" Venezia " " " "
" Piemonte " " " "
Brescia

for information.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Communication
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Originator's Reference:
Date/Time of Origin: MAY

Message Centre No: D/9720
Date/Time Rec'd: MAY 051330H
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ROMA
TO: AC POSTA AND TC SUBCOMMISSION ROMA

IN CLEAR.

4/1 EFFETTO IMMEDIATO CESSA SERVIZIO MESSAGGI CIVILI CROCE ROSSA INTERNAZIONALE
STOP PROVVEDASI. AFFINCHE UFFICI SCSPENDANO SUBITO VENDITE AT PUBBLICO MESSAGGI STESSI
ET RESTITUISCANO TUTTI MODULI INVENDUTI PROPRIA CASSA PROVINCIALE CHE LI TRASMETTERA
CON URGENZA AT MAGAZZINO CENTRALE C V P ROMA INSIEME CON PROPRIE RIMANENCE STOP
ANALOGAMENTE DEPOSITI C V P NAPOLI ET PALERMO VERSERANNO SUBITO AT MAGAZZINO
CENTRALE PROPRIE SCORTE DI MODULE SUDDETTI STOP UFFICI CONTINUINO FINO ESAURIMENTO
RECAPITO DOMICILIO MESSAGGI IN ARRIVO ET ACCETTINO MESSAGGI RISPOSTA FACENDOLI
AFFLUIRE AT DELEGAZIONE COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE CROCE ROSSA COMPETENTI PER
TERRITORIO TRAMITE UFFICI ROMA FERROVIA NAPOLI FERROVIA ET PALERMO FERROVIA COME
DISPOSTO CON PARAGRAFO 83 BOLLETTINO QUATTRO PARTE SEDICI SETTEMBRE 1944 STOP
MAGAZZINO CENTRALE C V P ROMA METTERA DISPOSIZIONE COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE CROCE
ROSSA DELEGAZIONE ROMA MODULI INVENDUTI ET GIACENTI PRENDENDONE NOTA ONDE STABILIRE
ENTRO 30 CORR IMPORTO A SALDO SPETTANTE AT COMITATO PREDETTO STOP ATTENDONSI
ASSICURAZIONI PER POSTA - DRE GLE MUSUMECI

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HEADQUARTERS
MAY 1945

Telegram

Service

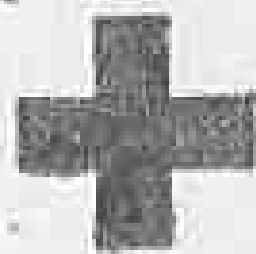
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4/1 Immediate effect civil Red Cross Messages/ ceases. Arrange so that offices suspend immediately sale to the public of such messages and return all the forms not sold to their own Provincial "Cassa" which will ~~transmit~~ transmit them with urgency to the Central Stores Carte e Valori Postali Rome together with their own remaining stocks. The same for the WVP Naples and Palermo which will immediately hand over to the Central Store their own stock of above forms. Offices will continue to deliver home by home ~~incoming messages~~ incoming messages until their exhaustion and accept messages in reply forwarding them to the competent Delegation of the I.R.C.C. through Rome, Naples, and Palermo Ferrovia P.Os, As arranged in para. 83 of Bulletin No. 4 of 16th Sept. 44. The Central Store of C.V. Rome will ~~hand back~~ return to the I.R.C.C. Delegation of Rome, the unsold forms on hand, keeping a record in order to establish within May 30th the amount due to the above Committee.

Please give acknowledgement by post.

General Director Musumeci

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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE

Inter Arma Caritas

RÉF.: 1. G VI *SERVICE 1**2366*

ROME, le 2nd May 1945

28, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63-368

Télégr.: INTERCRUX - ROME.

To: ALLIED COMMISSION H.Q.

-COMMUNICATION - SUB COMMISSION -

Subject: I.R.C.C. - 25-words messages-

1. According to the enclosed copy of our letter addressed to the Ministry of Communications, we have disposed to stop immediately the sale of our messages throughout all the territory of liberated Italy where postal service is at present operating.
2. With reference to the contents of the attached copy of our letter, your kind assistance would be most appreciated particularly for the provinces under Allied Control.
3. Incoming I.R.C.C. messages for destination north of the line Massa-Carrara - Pistoia - Lucca - Florence - Forli - Ravenna will be kept in our offices until instructions from your H.Q. will be received for further forwarding through P.W. mail channels.
4. I.R.C.C. messages originated in Central - South - or Insular Italy for destination North Italy will be delivered through ordinary channels as soon as postal service will be gradually restored. -

The Chief of the Delegations in Italy
of the I.R.C.C.*Salis**5780*

(Dr. G. J. de Salis)



2 maggio 1945

1. G VI

All'On. MINISTERO DELLE POSTE e
delle TELE-COMUNICAZIONI

R O M A

via del Seminario

e.p.c. alla Commissione Alleata

Oggetto: Servizio dei messaggi del C.I.C.R. -

A seguito della situazione determinatasi, presi gli accordi con la Commissione Alleata, V'invitiamo:

- 1) - a dare istruzioni telegrafiche a tutte le Direzioni Provinciali PP.TT. di cessare immediatamente la vendita dei messaggi d L. 15.- presso tutti gli Uffici Postali e le Ricevitorie;
- 2) - a raccogliere e far affluire a Roma presso il Magazzino Centrale C.V.P. tutti i moduli-messaggi invenduti da mettere a nostra disposizione, onde stabilire entro il 30.5.45, l'importo a saldo spettante al C.I.C.R.;
- 3) - a voler continuare, sino ad esaurimento, la distribuzione a domicilio dei messaggi in arrivo, i cui destinatari risiedono nelle provincie servite da regolare traffico postale;
- 4) - a voler accettare, nelle stesse provincie, i messaggi-risposte che dovranno, come per il passato, affluire alle nostre Delegazioni per l'Italia Centrale, Meridionale ed Insulare per il tramite dei centri di raccolta rispettivamente di Roma-Ferrovia, Napoli-Ferrovia e Palermo-Ferrovia.-

Rimaniamo in attesa di Vostra cortese conferma di quanto esposto e frattanto distintamente Vi salutiamo.

Il Capo della Delegazione in Italia
del C.I.C.R.

(Dr.H.W. de Salis)

TO: The Ministry of P.P.T. Rome

SUBJECT: I.R.C.C. Message Service.

Following on the actual situation, on agreement with the Allied Commission, we beg you to:

1. Instruct by telegraph all Provincial Directorates to cease immediately the sale of 15 lire message forms, at all the Post Offices and Nicovitoris.

2. Call in and concentrate in Rome at the Central store of Carte Valori all the unsold message forms, to be put at our disposal, in order to establish within 30 May 1945 the amount due to the I.R.C.C.

3. Continue the home by home delivery of the incoming messages, when the addressees live in provinces opened to regular postal services.

4. Accept in the above provinces, the reply- messages, which will, as previously, be forwarded to our Delegations of central southern and insular Italy respectively through the concentration points of Rome, Naples and Palermo Ferrovia P.Os.

We are waiting to hear from you a kind confirmation of the above and we are yours sincerely

The Chief of the I.R.C.C.
Italy Delegation

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WHL/bc

In reply
refer to: P. 13.150/OS

30 April 1945

Dear M^{rs} Campanari,

With reference to your 3/2153 of 20th April 1945.

I am sorry that I was not able to arrange for the parcels of books to be sent by air as it was not considered that the case was one of sufficient urgency to justify that method of conveyance.

I have, however, been able to make other arrangements which should, I think, ensure delivery in reasonable time, and have taken the liberty of making a slight amendment to the phrase in your letters to the Cairo and Algiers Delegations which deal with the method of conveyance.

Yours sincerely

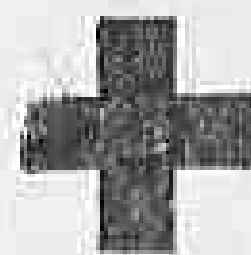
WHL

M^{rs} A Campanari
Direction Generale des Delegations en Italie
Comite' Internationale de la Croix Rouge
28, via Gregoriana
Rome

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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter Arma Caritas

REF.: 3/2153

ROME, le April 20, 1945.

20, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63.368

Télég. : INTERCHUX - ROME

Major Green
Communication Sub-Commission
A.C.

Subject: 2 parcels of books

Dear Major Green,

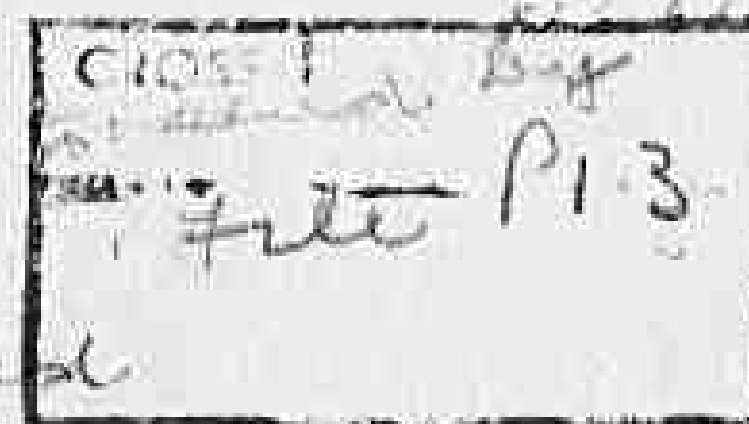
In consequence of our conversation of a few days ago we are sending you the two parcels of books, which you so kindly offered to send to the International Red Cross Committee's Delegations in Algiers and Egypt, who will take upon themselves to transmit them to the addressees.

Thanking you most warmly for your constant collaboration, we remain sincerely yours,

For the H.Q. in Italy of the
I.R.C.C.

R. Langram

*Discussed at G.S.
Col. Jankowski doesn't think we should send
by air.
arranged with British A.P.O.
Army parcel mail
Pds sent in bag addressed
cc 15 Base A.P.O.*



Date

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter Arma Caritas

ROME, le
28, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63 368
Télég. : INTERCRUX - ROME

RÉF.: 3.

LIBRI PER LA DELEGAZIONE DEL COMITATO
INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA DI ALGERI.

1°) - Al Cappellano Don POMPILIO=N° 045=Camp VIII=
CARNOT (Afr. du Nord):

1 "Messalino festivo latino-italiano" et dif-
férentes brochures de musique sacrée.

2°) - Aux Pères Blancs = Maison Carrée=ALGER: 1
grammaire espagnole; deux vocabulaires anglais
1 chimie analytique; 1 Trigonométrie; deux
grammaires françaises; 1 Pedagogie et Philoso-
phie; 1 Histoire de la Philosophie; 1 Logarit-
hme; 2 vocabulaires français.

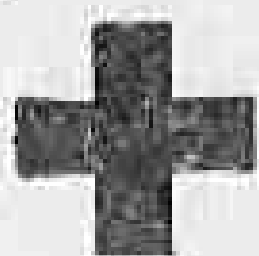
LIBRI PER LA DELEGAZIONE DEL COMITATO
INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA DEL CAIRO.

P. Egidio MICHELOTTO=Camp C.FAYED (Egypte);
3 Bibles complètes.

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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter Arma Caritas

RÉF.: 1/2234

OC/cr

ROME le April 21, 1945

28, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63-368

Télégr.: INTERCRUX - ROME

Major GREEN
 Communications Sub-Commission
 Headquarters Allied Commission
 APO 394

Subject: I.R.C. message service to Somalia.

Dear Major Green,

We thank you very much for the information you kindly sent us in your letter dated the 23.3.45 ref. P.13.135/CS, regarding the message service to Somalia.

We take the occasion of bringing to your notice that the above message service is exclusively reserved to free civilians separated by a war front and not for P.O.W. and Civil Internees. In the abovementioned case, as no war front exists now between Somalia and Italy and that civil postal services are now operating between the two Countries we understand that it is natural that free civilians should correspondent through ordinary channels.

Sincerely yours,

Salvi

For the H.Q. in Italy of the
 I.R.C.C.

P.S. We have not failed to communicate the information you so kindly sent us to all our Delegations in Italy.

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Date 27 APR 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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P.13.147/08

23 April 1945

SUBJECT: Messages for Italian POW in America

TO : POW Censorship Detachment
APO 512 U.S. Army

With reference to my P.13.134/08 of 27 March a further batch of messages for Italians with Service Units is enclosed for "rapid" service forwarding if possible.

WHL

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

2 Incl:

Copy of letter 50180/28 of 20 April from CRI
Batch of letters.

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Date.....



CROCE ROSSA ITALIANA 146
UFFICIO PRIGIONIERI, RICERCHE E SERVIZI CONNESSI

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Risposta N.

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Allegati

AR/18

Roma, li 20 April 18th 1945
VIA PUGLIE, 6 - Telet. 41-530-484-676
Telegrammi: CROCE ROSSA PRIGIONIERI ROMA

50180/28

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(A. CASSINIS)
Director Pris. of War Office
ITALIAN RED CROSS

Cassinis

To
Major GREEN
Postal Service Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

= ROME =

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Allegati
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20 April 18th 1945

Roma, li
VIA PUGLIE, 6 - Telef. 41-530-484-876
Telegrammi: CROCIROSSA PRIGIONIERI ROMA

133A

Dear Sir,

With further reference to previous correspondence and arrangements made (see our letter N.47868/1 D of the 26 th march u.s.) we now beg to enclose herewith a letter addressed to the

"Army Service Forces
Headquarters Italian Service Units
Fort Wadsworth - State Island 5 N.Y.

together with 86 replies for the prisoners of war residing in the United States and who have had no mail from their families for over six months and shall be greatly obliged if you would kindly arrange for the forwarding in the usual way.

Thanking you very much for your kind cooperation
we beg to remain
your sincerely

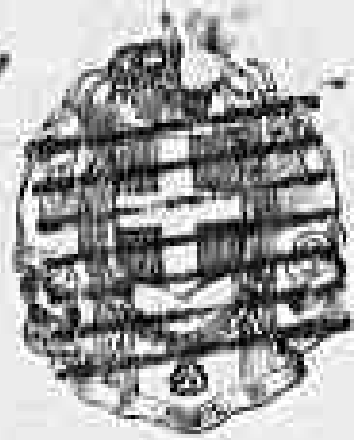
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(A. CASSINIS)
Director Pris. of War Office
ITALIAN RED CROSS

Cassinis

TO
Major GREEN
Postal Service Sub-Commission
Allied Commission
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POSTE E LE TELECOMUNICAZIONI
MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI
Direzione Generale delle Poste e dei Telegrafi
 Ufficio Legislazione e Pubblicazioni

Servizio Div. Sez.
 Prot. N° 50477 Allegati
 Risposta al f. N° P. 13/120/C S
 del 16 Marzo

Roma, 9 APR. 1945

Al 1a COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
 Posts and Telecommunications
 Commission

OGGETTO Corrispondenza con i
 prigionieri di guerra in Russia.

ROMA

In relazione alla lettera sopra ricordata si
 partecipa che non fu ritenuto necessario di apporre nel para-
 grafo 98 del Bollettino n. 5 del 1945 una nota relativa al-
 l'inoltro a Napoli della corrispondenza per i prigionieri di
 guerra in Russia.

Invero l'indicazione, risultante da quel pa-
 ragrafo, che la corrispondenza predetta è inoltrata " per via
 postale marittima fino all'Egitto", non può generare errore
 negli uffici postali, in quanto anche la corrispondenza per
 l'Egitto deve essere inoltrata a Napoli.

IL SOTTOSGREGARIO DI STATO

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9 April 1945

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Subject : Correspondence with P.O.W. in Russia.

Ref. your P.13.120/CS of 16 March we inform you that we did not consider necessary to enter in para. 98 of Bollettino N. 5 1945 a note referring to the forwarding to Naples of correspondence for P.s O.W. in Russia.

The indication, shown in the above paragraph, that such correspondence is conveyed "through sea postal channels to Egypt", cannot generate any error at the post offices, because also the correspondence to Egypt is due to circulate to Naples.

THE UNDER SECRETARY

50477

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFG 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WTK/ba

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In reply
refer to: P.13.144/CB

7 April 1945

Subject : International Red Cross Messages - Failures of Offices
in Military Government territory to observe the standard
accounting arrangements.

To : International Red Cross Committee
Delegations in Italy
79, via Sardegna
Rome.

With reference to your letter CB/vg of 20th March 1945.

1. The Post Office Provincial Directorates of Provinces in Military Government territory where postal services are in operation, have all been furnished with copies of the relative instructions regarding the accounting etc., procedure and authorized to deal directly with the Ministry on matters relating to the supply of the message forms.
2. It is therefore considered preferable to leave it to the Ministry to pursue the question of any failures directly with the Offices at fault, in the same way as is done in Italian Government territory.
3. If the Ministry finds that such action is ineffective and will furnish details we will arrange to intervene.

WTK
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to:
Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

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COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA

DELEGAZIONE IN ITALIA



Infer. Arma. Caritas

RIF.: CE/vg

Si prega menzionare nella risposta

ROMA, li 20/3/1945

~~45, Via Campana - Tel. 130-47~~
Indirizzo telegrafico: INTERCRUX - ROMA.

79, Via Sardegna - Telef. 45-727

Received 6 Apr 45

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
SOTTO COMMISSIONE PER LE COMUNICAZIONI
A.P.O. 394

Oggetto: Moduli per messaggi nelle zone sotto CONTROLLO Alleato

La Direzione Generale delle Poste ci informa che molti Uffici postali nelle zone sotto Controllo Alleato, in ispecie quelle della Toscana, non hanno ancora effettuato alla Ragioneria Centrale dello Stato il versamento dei moduli per messaggi venduti dall'Ottobre 1944 in poi, giusto gli accordi con voi stabiliti (vedi nota 17/I 1945 N° P.I3-105/C.S.).

Inoltre risulterebbe che alcune altre provincie avrebbero versato, l'intero importo dei moduli ricevuti, invece di limitare tale versamento alla sola parte dei moduli effettivamente venduti.

Mentre la suddetta Direzione Generale delle Poste provvede dal canto suo a richiamare l'attenzione dei propri dipendenti uffici circa l'esatta esecuzione delle disposizioni a suo tempo emesse a tale riguardo, vi saremmo grati se anche voi vorreste cooperare con noi affinché dette norme siano uniformemente adottate ora e in futuro anche da tutti gli uffici Postali delle zone attualmente sotto Controllo Alleato, e da quelle che via via vi perverranno.

Vi ringraziamo per il vostro aiuto in questa occasione.

Comité International de la Croix-Rouge
Le Délégué pour l'Italie Centrale

(Dott. A. Luvini)

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20 March 1945

CE/vg

Subject : Message form in A.M.G. territory.

The General Direction of Posts informs us that many Post Offices in the territory under Allied control, specially in Toscana, have not yet made to the Ragioneria dello Stato the payment of the message forms sold since October 1944, following the arrangements ~~fi~~ made with you. (see note 17/1/1945 N. P.13.105/CS)

Furthermore it is understood that some other provinces have paid in the total amount due for the forms received, instead of limiting the payment to that part of forms actually sold.

While the above General Direction of Posts will draw the attention of their subordinate offices to the exact execution of the instructions issued in due course on the matter, we should ~~be~~ appreciate if you will cooperate with us in order that such instructions be uniformly applied now and in future by all the offices of the territory at present under Allied control and of the areas that will come under it by and by.

We thank you for your help on this matter.

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INCCMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

COMMUNICATIONS

Originator's Reference:

Message Centre No: D/6853

Date/Time of Origin:

Date Time Rec'd: APR 04 1930Precedence: ROUTINEFROM: ROMATO: COMMISSIONE ALIATA POSTE AND T C SUB COMMISSIONE ROME

(142)

IN CLEAR.

DIRPOSTEL PROVINCE AMMINISTRATE GOVERNO ITALIANO CTA COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE CROCE
ROSSA DELEGAZIONE ITALIA CENTRALE VIA SARDEGNA 79 ROME.

4/1 AVVERTESI CHE ESSENDO AMMESSO SERVIZIO CORRISPONDENZE ORDINARIE CON SOMALIA
VIRCOIA MESSAGGI CROCE ROSSA INTERNAZIONALE PER CIVILI COIA RESIDENTI DEBBONO ESSERE
TOLTI DI CORSO ET RESTITUITI MITTENTI PUNTO RAMMENTASI COMUNQUE CHE CORRISPONDENZE
DIRETTE SOMALIA DEBBONO ESSERE DATE IN TRANSITO AT UFFICIO POSTE NAPOLI FERROVIA.
SG STATO FANO

To : Prov. Directions under Italian Govmt. Control and for inf.
to I.R.C.C. Via Sardegna.

LIST

4/1 We inform you that, in consideration
that the ordinary postal service is
available with Somalia, I.R.C.C.
messages for civilians living there
must be withdraw from the post and returned
to the senders. It is reminded that correspondence
addressed to Somalia must be given in transit to Naples
Ferrovvia.

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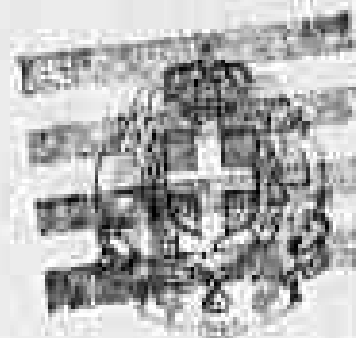
not necessary to
handle Postal officers
with this

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5 APR 1945

Date 5 APR 1945



Ministero delle Comunicazioni
DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

Roma 4 APR. 1945

Min. Commissione Al-
leata - Poste and T.C.
Subcommission ROMA

IV 1 2
Post. N. 419080/83502/123

Proposta di P. 13.125/CS
del 28.3.1945

OGGETTO: Servizio messaggi della Croce Rossa
Internazionale per la Somalia.

In relazione alla nota sopradistinta
si ha il pregio di partecipare che con apposi-
ta circolare telegrafica in corso di dirama-
zione, indirizzata a tutte le Direzioni P.T.
delle Province amministrate dal Governo ita-
liano e per conoscenza anche a codesta on.Com-
missione, sono state impartite le necessarie
disposizioni affinché gli Uffici postali tol-
gano di corso e restituiscano ai mittenti i
messaggi della Croce Rossa Internazionale di-
retti a civili che risiedono in Somalia, tenu-
to conto che con quest'ultima è stato riatti-

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vato il servizio delle corrispondenze ordinarie.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
(Fato)

Director	
D/Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
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Asst Chief Postal	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	

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This seems unnecessary. It would have sufficed if P.O.s had been told to advise Public (on enquiry) not to use message forms for Somalia

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419080/335027/1PS

4 April 1945

Subject : I.R.C. message service from Somalia.

Ref. your P.13.135/CS we inform you that with a circular telegram in course of issue, addressed to all the Prov. Directorates under Italian Government control and for information to your Commission, we have issued the necessary instructions in order that the Postal Offices withdraw from the post and return to senders the I.R.C. messages addressed to civilians in Somalia, in view of the fact that ordinary correspondence service has been re-established with that country.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

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Ministero delle Comunicazioni
DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAPHI

COS ROMA

Roma

3 APR 1945

//1. On. Commissione Al-
leste-Posta and T.C.
SubCommission ROMA

IV 1 2
Aut. N. 538605/419010/APS

Reg. al f. N. P.12.120/CS
del 16.2.45

OGGETTO: Corrispondenza con i prigionieri di guerra in Russia.

Si ha il pregio di accusare ricevuta della lettera sopradistinta e si ringrazia per la cortese comunicazione.

Si assicura, altresì, che sono state impartite le necessarie disposizioni affinché gli estratti dal Notiziero Prigionieri o da altre pubblicazioni che interessano il servizio postale, da riprodursi nel Bollettino, siano convenientemente annotati allo scopo di evitare che il contenuto di essi dia luogo ad errate interpretazioni da parte degli Uffici interessati.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

(Fano)

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3 April 1945

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Subject : Correspondence with P.S.O.W. in Russia.

Your letter P.13.120 of 16.3.45 is hereby ~~not~~ acknowledged and we thank you for the kind information.

We insure you, also, that the necessary arrangements have been issued in order that the extracts from Notiziario Prigionieri or other publications interesting the postal service, to be reproduced in the Bulletin, be conveniently commented, so to avoid possible misinterpretation by the Offices concerned.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

30 March 1945

P.13.139

SUBJECT: Cessation of Vatican and IRCC message
Services to Somalia

TO : C.5. AFHQ

Reference your 311.1 of 28 March

1. It is considered that in the circumstances described in EAC/2215/147/CA there are no grounds for objecting to the proposal made by East African Command.

2. Action has already been taken to notify all concerned of the cessation of the special message services to Somalia and copies of the relative letters P.13.136/CS and P.13.135/CS were sent to C-5 on 28th March. No communication has been sent to East African Command.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

W.H.G.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

28 March 1945

G-5: 311.1

SUBJECT: Civil Postal Services, Somalia Correspondence
with Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to HQ. East Africa EAC/2215/147/CA
of 14 March to this HQ's copy to you direct.

2. Your comments are requested on the above together
with a statement of the action proposed to be taken by you
under paragraph 6 of the letter.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS

28 March 1945

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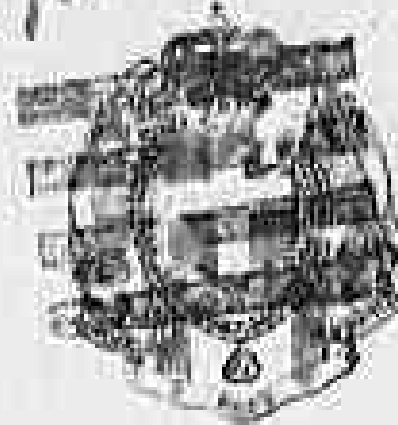
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Date 30 MAR 1945

T. B. Jackman
Lt. Col.

T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.



MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI
Direzione Generale delle Poste e dei Telegrafi

Servizio IV Div. 1 Sez. 2
Prot. N° 419046/8350/TP3
Risposta al f. N° P.13.129/CS
del 22.2.1945

Roma, 28 MAR. 1945

1. On. Commissione Alleata
Poste and T.C. Sub Commission
ROMA

OGGETTO: Moduli messaggi civili
del C.I. Croce Rossa.

Si è preso atto di quanto è stato parteci-
pato da codesta On. Commissione con la nota sopra-
distinta e si ringrazia per la cortese comunicazio-
ne.

IL SOTTOSCRITTO DI STATO
(Fano)

The communications of your Commission in the letter
P.13.129/CS have been noted and we thank you for
your kind notification.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WHD/bs

In reply
refer to: P.13.136/CS

28 March 1945

Subject : Cessation of Vatican and International Red Cross Message
Service to Somalia.

To : Liaison Branch.

1. With reference to the enclosed EAG/2215/147/CA of 14
March 1945 the cessation of the I.R.C.C. Message service to Somalia
has been notified to the General Directorate of the Delegations in
Italy as indicated in the attached P.13.135/CS.

2. Perhaps you will similarly inform the Vatican authorities
of the cessation of the Vatican Message service between Italy and
Somalia.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

2 Inc.:

- 1 Letter EAG/2215/147/CA from EA Command.
- 2 Letter P.13.135/CS to I.R.C.C.

Copies to:

- 3-5, A.F.H.Q.
- Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.
- W.D. & I.P.W. Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WHL/bs

28 March 1945

In reply
refer to: P.13.135/CS

Subject : International Red Cross Message Service to Somalia.

To : Direction Generale des Delegations en Italie
International Red Cross Committee
28, via Gregoriana
Rome.

1. I have been asked to inform you that as residents in Somalia are neither "Prisoners of War" nor "Civilian Internees" and as civil postal services are now operating between Italy and Somalia the use of the I.R.C.C. message service is no longer permissible in this case and normal postal channels should be used for correspondence between Italy and Somalia.

2. Would you kindly advise your Delegations accordingly and bring the matter to the notice of all concerned.

3. The Nairobi Delegate of the I.R.C.C. is stated to be in agreement with the foregoing proposal.

WHL
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to:
Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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27 March 1945

In reply
refer to: P.13.13⁴/CS

Subject : Messages for Italian P.O.W. in America.

To : P.O.W. Censorship Detachment
APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. The representative of the Italian Red Cross has presented the enclosed messages to Italian P.O.W. in the U.S. with a request that if at all possible they should be sent by Air to the U.S.
2. As the messages have been obtained at the request of the U.S. Army authorities (see attached letter) and are for P.O.W. who are stated not to have had mail from relatives for six months, it would be appreciated if they could be passed exceptionally for air transmission after censorship.
3. The enclosed messages do not cover all the names on the lists furnished by the U.S. authorities and I understand that there are likely to be one or two further batches when the enquiries are complete.
4. It is not understood why these prisoners have been without news for so long unless the relatives are not in possession of the correct address of the prisoners. I have suggested to the Italian Red Cross that any future cases where they are called upon to undertake exceptional enquiries because of some breakdown in the normal postal service they should take the opportunity to verify that the relative is clearly and correctly addressing his correspondence to the P.O.W. and that the actual message to the P.O.W. bears a clear and correct postal address for return correspondence.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone

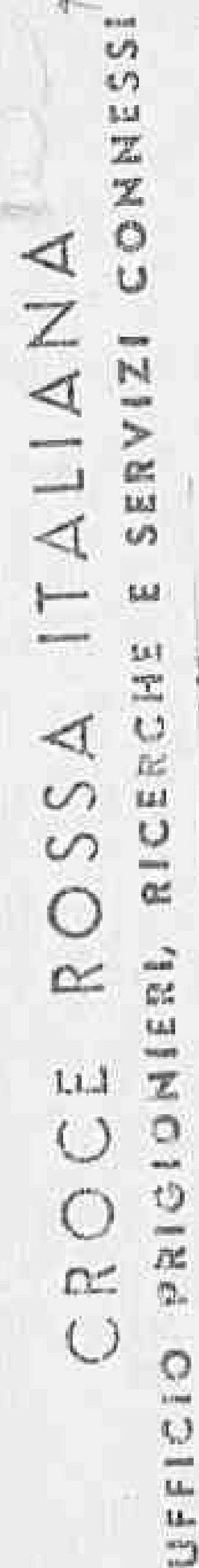
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Colonel,
Director.

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3 Inc.:

- 1 copy of SPDO1 080 of 7 December 1944 ASF to I.R.C.
- 2 " " 47868/18 of 26 March 1945 I.R.C. to AG
- 3 Batch of Messages.

Copies to:
G-2, AFHQ.



44868 1D

26th March 1945

VIA PUGLIE, 6 - Telef. 41.530 - 464.676
 Telex: 3200055A - Radiotelex: 32054

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AIR/18

Further to the call of our Mr. RIDOLFI at your office on Saturday morning we beg to enclose herewith one of the original letters which we have received through Dr. SCARETTI Delegate of the Italian Red Cross in New York, from the Army Service Forces - Headquarters Italian Service Units in connection with the Lists of Italian prisoners of war actually in U.S.A. and who have had not mail from their relatives in Italy for over six months.

We shall be greatly obliged if you would kindly see that the 177 reply-messages are forwarded to the various Italian Service Units through the :

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
HEADQUARTERS ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS
FORT WADSWORTH STATE ISLANDS 5 N.Y.

Thanking you for your kind cooperation, we remain

your sincerely

Major GREEN
Postal Service Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

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2500 1364-1446-165-169

Risposta N.
Oggetto
Allegati

AR/1s

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FORT WADSWORTH STATE ISLANDS 5 N.Y.

Thanking you for your kind cooperation, we remain
your sincerely

Cassini

Major GREEN
Postal Service Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES
HEADQUARTERS ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS
FORT WADSWORTH STATEN ISLAND 5 N.Y.

SPDCI 080

7 DECEMBER 1944

International Red Cross
Attention: Dr. Enrico Scaretta Italian Red Cross
c/o Count Pecci Blunt
9 East 84th Street.
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Scaretta:

Following your conversation at this headquarters with General Eager and General Grillo, this office has requested Italian Service Units to submit rosters showing name and serial number of Italian prisoners of war who have not had mail from their relatives in Italy for over six months. In order to enable the Italian Red Cross to contact nearest relative, each member of Italian Service Units submitting his name was requested to show name and address of nearest relative, and date when last communication from relative was sent.

Attached are lists received from following units:

97 th Italian QM Service Co., Ft Wayne, Detroit, Michigan
25 th Italian QM Service Co.; Vancouver Barracks, Washington
139th Italian QM Service Co., Vancouver Barracks, Washington
27 th Italian QM Service So., (1st Platoon), Torrance, California
53 rd Italian QM Service Co., Dayton Sig. Depot Dayton Ohio
307th Italian QM Battalion., Belle Mead ASF Depot, N.J.
44 th Italian QM Service Co., Belle Meade ASF Depot, N.J.
116th Italian QM Service Co., Belle Meade ASF Depot, N.J.
117th Italian QM Service Co., Belle Meade ASF Depot, N.J.

Very truly yours;

M.L. Fuller
CWO - USA
Acting Adjutant General

9 Lists
as listed above

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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In reply
refer to: P.13.132/CS

27 March 1945

Subject : I.R.C.C. Message Forms.

To : R.C. Abruzzi-Marche Region (attn Postal Officer).
" Toscana " " " "

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1. Enclosed for information is a telegram issued by the Ministry regarding a standard type of Message Forms.
2. The actual requisitioning etc, arrangements in your Region in connection with this service are not altered.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

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J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Inc.:
1 Copy of Telegram 4/1 of 25 March 1945

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, US Army

(131A)

20 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Cable.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Att: Director, Communications, Sub-Commission,
APO 394, U.S. Army.

Herewith paraphrase of a CONFIDENTIAL cable WX 53745, which
is of interest from a censorship standpoint.

For the A.C. of S., G-2:

Thomas H. Finn
THOMAS H. FINN,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
G-2 (CC) Section.

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Learn HNS

May. Finn with

*CCG (S) make copy of telegram
sent 26/3/45*

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The following is a paraphrase of CONFIDENTIAL cable WX 53754, 16 Mar 45.
From AGWAR TO SHAEF MAIN AND AFHQ.

Plan intended for communications between US and enemy area. Regular mail channels now available for this traffic.

Office of Censorship desires to discontinue American Red Cross 25 word postal message plan between US and FRANCE and between US and liberated ITALY.

Request comment and any available information on present operation in liberated areas this plan. Should plan be automatically discontinued in other areas as international mail service resumed?

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
 Date/Time of Origin: MAR 23 1330A

Message Centre No: D/5986
 Date/Time Recd: MAR 25 1000A
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ROMA
 TO: ALLIED COMMISSION POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMISSION ROMA

IN CLEAR.

4/1 PARTECIPASI CHE COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE CROCE ROSSA HA ADOTTATO TIPO UNICO MESSAGGI CIVILI CHE DOVRA ESSERE MESSO IN VENDITA DA TUTTI UFFICI POSTALI ITALIA LIBERATA SIA CONTINENTALE SIA INSULARE AT SOLITO PREZZO LIRE QUINDICI ET CHE SARA QUANTO PRIMA DISTRIBUITO DA MAGAZZINO CENTRALE C V F ROMA PUNTO PERTANTO DIRPOSTEL SICILIA ET SARDEGNA INDIRIZZERANNO D ORA IN AVANTI RICHIERSTE ESCLUSIVAMENTE AT IREDETTO MAGAZZINO PUNTO MODIFICANSI TALE SENSO LETTERA (A ET (B PUNTO III ET ULTIMA COMMA PUNTO IV CIRCOLARE RIPRODOTTA PARAGRAFO OTTANTUNO BOLLETTINO PARTE SECONDA NR 4 SEDICI SETTEMBRE PUNTO TUTTAVIA DEPOSITO C V P PALERMO CONTINUERA AT SOMMINISTRARE FINO ESAURIMENTO MODULI GIACENTI FACENDO ASSUMERE CARICO FIGURATIVO DA MAGAZZINO CENTRALE ROMA L 92,000 MODULI MESSAGGI TESTE SOMMINISTRATIGLI DA LOCALE DELEGAZIONE C I CR PUNTO MAGAZZINO CENTRALE ASSUMERA ALTRESI CARICO FIGURATIVO 171,000 MODULI MESSAGGI INTESTATI DELEGAZIONE C I C R ITALIA MERIDIONALE CHE DEPOSITO CARTE VALORI POSTALI NAPOLI EST AUTORIZZATO RITIRARE SUBITO DA LOCALE TIPOGRAFIA RICHTER T W C PER SOMMINISTRARLI FINO ESAURIMENTO ET DIRPOSTEL ITALIA MERIDIONALE IN BASE AT ISTRUZIONI MAGAZZINO CENTRALE ROMA

SOTTOSEGRETERIO STATO FANO

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4/1 We inform you that the I.R.C.C. has adopted a standard type of civil message^{for C} which will be sold in all post offices in Liberated Italy (in the islands as well as in the mainland) at the normal price of 15 lire, and which will be distributed in the near future by the Magazzino Centrale Carte Valori, Rome.

Therefore the Prov. Directions in Sicily and Sardinia will address their requisitions only to the above Store.

In this sense are modified sub-paras A) and B) of para. III and last period of para. IV of the circular ~~printed~~ published in paragraph 81 of the Part 2nd of Bulletin N. 4 of 16 September.

The Palermo Store will however continue to distribute the forms on hand till it has exhausted them, and ~~it~~ will pass on figurative charge to the Rome Central Store the 90.000 message forms handed over, short^{ago} ago, by the local Delegation of the I.R.C.C..

The Central Store Rome will also assume in figurative charge 171.000 message forms marked "I.R.C.C. Delegation for Southern Italy" which the Carte Valori Store of Naples is authorised to ^{fetch} at once ^{from} the local tipography Richier, for distribution to Prov. Directions in Southern Italy, on instruction of the Central Store of Rome.

THE UNDER SECRETARY

WHG/os

24 March 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WIK/bs

23 March 1945

In reply
refer to: P.13.129/CS

Subject : International Red Cross Message Forms.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

With further reference to your 835027/1.FS of 9th January 1945.

1. It is reported that:-

- (a) the return for Grosseto Province is "Nil".
- (b) the figures for Perugia Province have been sent to you direct.

2. If you still lack details of the 1944 sales from some Provinces in Military Government territory or if the 1945 monthly returns from those Provinces are not submitted promptly in accordance with para. 31 of Bollettino 4- 1944 reminders may be sent direct to the Provincial Directorates concerned.

3. The December 1944 statement of accounts which I saw today at the IRCC Headquarters does not include the figures for some of the Provinces covered in my P.13.108/CS of 8th February 1945.

WHL
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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23 MAR 1945

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22 March 1945

MEMOIn reply
refer to: P.13.128/CSSubject : Cessation of Vatican and International Red Cross Message
Services between Italy and Somalia (Italian Somaliland).

To : Civil Affairs Section.

1. With reference to the attached EAC/2215/147/CA no objection is seen from a postal point of view to the cessation of the International Red Cross and Vatican Message services between Italy and Somalia and it is suggested that instructions based on para 6 of this letter should be issued to the Vatican; the General Directorate of the IROO in Italy; and to this and other interested Sub-Commissions (rsf 25/54/CA of 26 May 1944 refers-.)

W.H. Green
Major

For Director, Communications Sub-Commission

1 Inc.: EAC/2215/147/CA from HQ East Africa Command.

Communications

I do not think this is a matter for CA.
The old rsf 25/54/CA of 26 May was not a letter of CA, Sec.
but of the old RCMG in one of its phases. If you think
that an instruction should be issued at higher level than
the Director of Communications, surely Communications would
draft what is considered appropriate (after clearing with
SC's affected) and submit to the EC for signature.

CH.
24 MAR 1945

SEE 135-130

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Subject: Civil Postal Services, Somalia
Correspondence with
Occupied Italy.

Civil Affairs Branch,
 U.S. State Dept.
 14 March 45.

14 March 45.

Allied Force Headquarters,
 C.M.A.

Copies to: (i) the Allied Commission, Italy
 (ii) the Delegate, International Red Cross Committee,
 (iii) Civil Affairs Branch, HQ, USA.

1. I have the honor to refer to the subject of civil postal communications, and to inform you that the Chief Administrator, Somalia, considers that the time has now come to discontinue the Red Cross Postal Message, and the Vatican Message schemes between Somalia (Italian Somaliland) and Allied occupied Italy.
2. The Red Cross Postal Message scheme, and other similar schemes, are only intended to operate when no other means of postal communication is available. Normal civil postal communications have now been re-established between Somalia and Allied occupied Italy both by sea, and from Mogadishu as far as Cairo, and vice versa, by air.
3. By the continuation of the schemes referred to, the British Military Administration, Somalia, which now provides the normal services is losing revenue proper to a civil postal administration.
4. Italians living in Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda and other East African territories are no longer permitted to use the Red Cross Postal Message scheme.
5. The Chief Administrator, Somalia, proposes shortly to introduce legislation prohibiting the use of any means of postal communication, other than that provided by the Military Administration, by residents of Somalia wishing to correspond with persons living in Allied occupied Italy, or in any other territory not occupied by the enemy.
6. I have, therefore, to request that you will take steps to have published the fact that residents in Somalia are neither prisoners of war nor "civilian internees", and that correspondents should use the normal postal channels for addressees in Somalia.
7. The views of the Chief Administrator are supported by the Nairobi Delegate of the International Red Cross Committee.
8. The Red Cross Postal Message, and other similar schemes, will of course, continue to operate between Somalia and Army occupied Italy.

James Russell
 Colonel,

Chief Civil Affairs Staff Officer.

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6. I have, therefore, to request that you will take steps to have published the fact that residents in Somalia are advised to discontinue use of what now "Civilian Internees", and that correspondents should use the normal postal channels for addresses in Somalia.
7. The views of the Chief Administrator are supported by the Maïrohi Delegate of the International Red Cross Committee.
8. The Red Cross Postal Message, and other similar schemes, will of course, continue to operate between Somalia and Enemy Occupied Italy.

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Chief Civil Affairs Staff Officer.

2. General J. J. J. J.
Colonel

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Date 22 MAR 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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In reply
refer to: P. 13.126/CS

22 March 1945

Subject : American Red Cross Postal Messages.

To : G-5, A.F.H.Q.

Reference your G-5 091.6 of 13th March 1945.

1. No American Red Cross Message scheme - comparable with the IROC and Vatican schemes - had come under notice.
2. I have consulted Mr. U. Morley, Supervisor of Communications for the American Red Cross in this country and he confirms that this organisation is not operating any Postal Message scheme for the benefit of the Italians.
3. He states that the A.R.C. does operate a 25-word Postal Message scheme for communication between U.S. service personnel in this country and relatives in enemy occupied territory, such messages being forwarded to A.R.C. Headquarters in Washington through Army channels.
4. As the scheme mentioned in 3 is in the nature of an Army welfare service, comment by this Commission is presumably not called for.

For the Chief Commissioner.

W.H.C.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 091.6

18 March 1945.

SUBJECT: American Red Cross postal messages.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. The following is a paraphrase of a cable received from the War Department.

(a) Discontinuance of American Red Cross 25 word postal message plan between U.S. and Liberated ITALY requested by Office of Censorship.

(b) Should plan be automatically discontinued in other areas when international mail service is resumed, since it was originally intended for communication between U.S. and enemy areas?

2. After co-ordination with Red Cross authorities, you are requested to comment on points raised in sub paras. (a) and (b) above, giving any available information on present operation of this plan in liberated areas.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

Julius Byles
JULIUS BYLES,
Major, F.A.



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Date 20 MAR 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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In reply
refer to: P.13.124/CS.

19 March 1945

Subject : International Red Cross Messages between Italy
and Balkans.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

1. A copy of letter addressed to the International Red
Cross Committee in enclosed for your information.

2. It will be seen that so far as the Post Office is
concerned the procedure for dealing with these Balkans
message forms is the same as applies to the other I.R.C.C.
messages (your Bulletin N° 4 of 1944 article 81 refers).

I Inc.:
Copy of letter to I.R.C.C.

Copies to:
Civil Censorship Group.

J.L. HENDE GON
Colonel;
Director.

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In reply
refer to: P.L.L.123/00.

Subject: International Red Cross Messages between Italy
and the Balkans.

To: General Direction of the Delegation in Italy
International Red Cross Committee
20, via Gregoriana
Rome

1. Approval has now been given for International Red
Cross Messages between Italy and the Balkans to be dealt
with as follows:-

2. From Italy to the Balkans.

- (a) To be delivered by the Italian Post Office to your
Naples, Palermo, and Rome Delegations for verification
that the regulations governing their use have been complied
with.
- (b) After such treatment the messages that are in order
will be handed to the Italian Post Office in packets
addressed to the Allied Censor Control Office, Transatlantic
Mail Section, Bari.

3. To Italy from the Balkans.

- (a) The incoming messages from the Balkans will be
concerned at the Transatlantic Mail Section, Bari and then
handed to the Italian Post Office in a packet or bag addressed
to your Naples Delegation.
- (b) The Naples Delegation will subsequently arrange for
the messages to be passed to the Italian Post Office for
delivery.

4. Will you please instruct your Delegations in Italy
accordingly.

5. With regard to para. 3 (a) it should be pointed out
that as far as this Sub-Commission is concerned the incoming
messages could be handled by the Transatlantic Mail Section
directly to the Italian Post Office at Bari for distribution to
addressees with consequent acceleration in delivery but it is
understood that your system requires that the messages should
be dealt with in the office of your Naples Delegation before
being put into postal channels for delivery to addressees.

Copies to:
Under Secretary of State

J.L. HENNINGSEN
Colonel,
Director.

WHL

and the Balkans.

To : General Direction of the Delegation in Italy
International and Cross Committee
28, via Gregoriana
Rome

1. Approval has now been given for International Red Cross messages between Italy and the Balkans to be dealt with as follows:-

2. From Italy to the Balkans.

- (a) To be delivered by the Italian Post Office to your Naples, Palermo, and Cross Delegations for verification that the regulations governing their use have been complied with.
- (b) After such treatment the messages that are in order will be handed to the Italian Post Office in packets addressed to the Allied Control Officer, Transatlantic Mail Section, Bari.

3. To Italy from the Balkans.

- (a) The incoming messages from the Balkans will be censored at the Transatlantic Mail Section, Bari and then handed to the Italian Post Office in a packet or bag addressed to your Naples Delegation.
- (b) The Naples Delegation will subsequently arrange for the messages to be passed to the Italian Post Office for delivery.

4. Will you please instruct your Delegations in Italy accordingly. 24

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Copies to:

Under Secretary of State
for Posts and Telecomms.

G-2 (10), 17.8.44.

G-5, 17.8.44.

Civil Censorship Group.

A-9. Abruzzi-Marche Region (attn Postal Officer).

"
" Toscana

J.L. MANNING
Colonel,
Director.

WHL

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Headquarters Allied Commission
CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP
APO 394, U. S. Army

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CCG/15310-93

12 March 1945

SUBJECT: International Red Cross Messages to Balkans.

TO : Director, Communications Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission.

1. Approval has been obtained from G-2 (Communications Censorship), AFHQ for the following revised procedure for the handling of Balkan International Red Cross messages previously outlined in CCG/15310-92, 27 February 1945.

2. From Italy to the Balkans:

a. Messages to be routed by the Italian Postoffice to Rome or Naples, where they will be turned over to the I.R.C. for verification that regulations governing their use have been complied with.

b. The I.R.C. will then hand the messages that are in order to the Italian Postoffice in bundles addressed to the Allied Censor Control Officer, Transadriatic Mail Section, Bari, where they will be censored.

c. After censorship, the messages will be handed over to the Military Missions to the various Balkan countries for forwarding to final destination.

3. To Italy from the Balkans:

a. Incoming I.R.C. messages from the Balkans will be censored at the Transadriatic Mail Section, Bari, and then turned over to the Italian Postoffice for further handling.

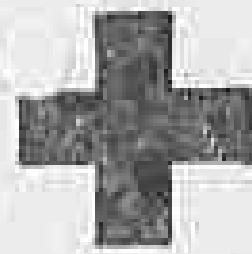
4. Request that the Italian Postoffice officials and the International Red Cross representatives at Rome and Naples be informed of the above procedure.

Gordon W. McLean
GORDON W. MC LEAN,
Lt Colonel, Cav,
Civil Censorship Officer.

Copies to:
ACCO, Rome
ACCO, Naples
ACCO, Transadriatic Mail Section.

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COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter. Arma. Contas

REF.:

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ROME, le 14 March 1945

25, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 68.168

Télégr. INTERCROIX - ROME

Major GREEN

Communication Sub-
Commission

4th floor, room n.42
A.C.

Dear Major Green,

We enclose the list of our various
Delegations in Italy which you had asked for,
hoping it will prove useful to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Werner

For the H.Q. in Italy of the
I.R.C.C.

Enclosed: 1 list.

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Inter Arma Caritas

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
of the RED CROSS
G E N E V A

Delegations in Italy

Head Quarters for Italy

ROME, Via Gregoriana, 28 (tel. 63.368)

Dr. HANS-WOLF DE SALIS
Chief of the Delegations

Miss DENISE WERNER
General Secretary

For address: the Swiss Consulates

Delegation for North Italy.

Delegate: Dr. L. BIAGGI DE BLASYS, GENOVA
Correspondents: Dr. S. GIROD, MILANO
Dr. G. BERTA, TRIESTE
Dr. F. ZWEIFEL, VERONA
Dr. G. BORINGHERI, TORINO

Delegation for Central Italy -

Delegate: Dr. ARNALDO LUVINI
Correspondent: Ing. E. WALTER

ROME, 79 Via Sardegna (tel. 45.727)

FIRENZE, 73 Costa S. Giorgio (tel. 26.314)

Delegation for South Italy -

Delegate: Dr. PAUL BURKHARD, Director of the International Hospital in Naples
Deputy-Delegates: Ing. A. MATHIEU - Ing. SCHUCANY

NAPOLI, 38 Via Tasso (tel. 12.295)

Delegation for Sicily and Sardinia - PALERMO, 50 Piazza Castelnuovo (tel. 14.193 - 14.382)

Delegate: Mr. ERNEST GANZ.

January 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

16 March 1945

In reply
refer to : P.I3.I20/G3

Subject : Correspondence with Prisoners of War in Russia.
To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

1. With reference to art. 98 of Bulletin N° 5 of 1945 you may wish to confirm that your offices are not likely to be confused by the reference to the disposal of the correspondence "by maritime postal channels to Egypt and then via Teheran."
2. So far as your offices are concerned there is at present no change in the standing instructions that all offices should circulate the correspondence to Naples for inclusion in the despatch to Chief P.O.W. Censor, Cairo.
3. It is recommended that before any extracts from "Notiziario Prigionieri" or other non-postal publications are reproduced in the Bulletin the technical Service concerned should be given an opportunity of ensuring that any reference which may be misleading from an operating point of view is either omitted or clarified by a suitable footnote.

WJH
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WHS/bs

14 March 1945

In reply
refer to: F.13.119/CS.

Subject : Boxes of Medicine for I.R.C.G. Delegation in Tunis.

To : Direction General of the Delegation in Italy
International Red Cross Committee
28, Via Gregoriana
Rome

With reference to your letter of 13th March 1945.

1. In view of the urgency and object of the consignment I think that it will be possible to arrange for the boxes to be despatched by air to your Tunis Delegation.
2. Please give the censorship Officer the opportunity of inspecting the boxes before they are fastened and then attach one of the enclosed Shipping Tags to each box.
3. The two boxes should then be delivered to the Despatch Office at this Headquarters.

WHL
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copies to: Civil Censorship
Despatch Office (with 2 "Request for Priority" forms).

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Date.....

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE



Inter Arma Caritas

REF: 3

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ROME, 14 March 13, 1946

19, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63.300

Télégr.: INTERCROUX - ROME

Major GREEN

Communication Sub=Commission
A.C.

Subject: 2 boxes of medicines for Italian
population in Tunis.

Dear Major Green,

We have the honour to beg you to be kind enough as to help us in sending 2 boxes of the following dimensions: cm. 90 x 40 x 40 each and weighing respectively 49,500 kg. and 52 kg. containing medicines which are urgently needed by the civil Italian population in Tunis. These boxes which have been placed at our disposal by the Italian Red Cross are addressed to the Delegation of the International Red Cross Committee, 5 Avenue de Paris, Tunis, so as to be distributed through their care and according to the appeal made by our Delegate in Tunis, Mr. René Dechevrens, some time ago.

We should be very grateful to you for cooperating with us in this humanitarian matter as it concerns specially children and sick people.

Sincerely yours,

For the H.Q. in Italy of the
I.R.C.C.

J. Werner

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Mrs Campanari in the morning
Miss Werner in the afternoon.

Note: Shipping Tags & Request
for Priority forms obtained
from Reseach Office

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES DÉLÉGATIONS EN ITALIE
OG/cr



Inter Arma Caritas

REF: 1306

ROME, le March 9, 1945
28, Via Gregoriana - Tel. 63388
Télég. : INTERCRUX - ROME

Capt. Green
Communication Section
(Office N° 42, 4th floor)
A.C.

Subject: Transmission of a parcel of insuline
to Palermo International Red Cross
Committee Delegation.

In consequence of our request in
helping the Delegation of the International
Red Cross Committee in Rome in forwarding a
parcel containing boxes with insuline phials
addressed to the Delegation of the Internatio-
nal Red Cross Committee in Palermo, we have
the honour of letting you know how much we
appreciate your kind offer of taking upon
yourself the sending of the above-mentioned
parcel.

Believe us sincerely yours,

Storner

For the H.C. in Italy of the
I.R.C.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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CCC/15310-92

27 February 1945

SUBJECT: International Red Cross Messages to Balkans.

TO : G-2 (Communications Censorship), AFHQ, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

1. A proposed revision in the procedure for handling International Red Cross messages to the Balkans is herein set forth for your approval.

2. The messages will be routed by the Italian post-offices to Rome and Naples. At each of these cities the messages will be turned over to the International Red Cross for verification that existing regulations governing their use have been complied with. The International Red Cross will then hand the messages that are in order to the Italian post-office in bundles addressed to the ACCO, Transadriatic Mail Section, Bari, where they will be censored. After censorship, all the messages to be handed over to the Balkan Military Mission at Bari for delivery.

3. From the censorship standpoint there are two distinct advantages to the proposed scheme: (1) the messages will be censored by Transadriatic Mail Section, which has the personnel required to handle the Balkan languages; (2) the messages will be handed directly from our censorship station to the Military Mission, without being touched by outside persons between these two points.

4. From a postal viewpoint, it will mean that the messages will travel between Rome (Naples) and Bari only once.

5. Both the Chief Postal Officer and the International Red Cross representatives are in favor of the proposed scheme.

6. In reverse, International Red Cross messages from Yugoslavia will be censored at Bari before being turned over to the post-office for onward transmittal.

For the Chief Commissioner:

SEE 122

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J. L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to Chief Postal Officer, AC.

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CS
extract on
Post Office Circular

DF994 †POSTAL COMMUNICATION WITH PERSONS RESIDING IN DF 994
ENEMY AND ENEMY-OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

In view of rapidly changing conditions on the Continent it has been decided that lists of enemy and enemy-occupied territories to which the Thomas Cook and Red Cross Postal Message Schemes operate shall no longer be maintained at Post Offices.

Persons making inquiries about these schemes should in the case of the Thomas Cook Scheme henceforth be referred to Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son Ltd., Berkeley Street, London, W.1, and in the case of the Red Cross Postal Message Scheme to the nearest Citizens' Advice Bureau authorised to accept the messages (which is shown on public notice P 2244E displayed at all Post Offices).

A revised edition of Postal supplement No. 10 is issued with this circular and copies printed on superior paper for counter use should be filed in the counter compendium. Copies of the existing supplement (P.O.C. 21.2.45) should be made waste.

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

19 Feb. 1945

Ref. 88/1/15

Subject: International Red Cross Message Forms
TO : Communications Sub-Commission, Headquarters, A.C.

Ref. your P.13.102/CS of 10 January, the
return from Grosseto has now been received;
it is "nil".

For the Regional Commissioner,

R.S. Drummond
R.S. DRUMMOND,
Captain,
Regional Postal Officer.

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*Bring out
for report to
Ministry with Perugia
arrivals, Macerata
& Ancona details (See 113 & 112)*

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Communication
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HEADQUARTERS
AMB/AC
ABRUZZI-MARCHE REGION
C.M.F.

TO : P.D. of Posts, Ascoli P., Macerata, Ancona.
FROM : AMB/AC Abruzzi-Marche Region.
SUBJECT: In.R.C. message forms.
REF : 517/6.
DATE : 14 Feb. 1945.

Please expedite reply to my letter of 12 January 1945 concerning the a/c subject.
Did you send the required return to the Ministry?

A.J. Allen
A.J. ALLEN
1st. Lt. Cav.
Postal Officer.

Copy to : HQ.A.C. Communications Sub Commission. ←

TRADUZIONE

OGGETTO : Moduli messaggio della Croce Rossa Internazionale.

Siete pregato di fornire al più presto possibile la risposta alla mia lettera del 12 gennaio u.s. pari oggetto.
Avete inviato al ministero il prospetto richiesto?

HEADQUARTERS
15 FEB 1945

Director	_____
D/Director	_____
Chief Telecoms	_____
Chief Postal	_____
H.Q. Coms O.	_____
Asst Chief Postal	_____
Censorship	_____
Chief Clerk	_____

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Date 15 FEB 1945

HEADQUARTERS
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. No. 394, U. S. ARMY

February, 12th - 1945

P-311.21

SUBJECT : International Red Cross Messages.

TO : Communications Sub-Commission,
AC HQ, APO 394.

1. Reference your letter of 10th Jan, 1945, file No 13.102/CS, subject above, wish to advise you that the International Red Cross Message form service commenced in the Province of Perugia on the 18th of December and the initial supply of 10,000 was furnished by the Provincial Supply Office of Rome. The second supply of 500 was furnished by the Central Magazine of the Ministry on the 12th of Dec, and the third of 10,000 on the 16th of Dec, was likewise supplied by that office.

2. The Province of Terni, receives its normal supply from Perugia, from which office it depends but as postal services were resumed in Terni on the 16th of October the initial supply of 1,000 was supplied by the Provincial Supply Office of Rome. However, Terni returned the borrowed forms and, for all accountability purposes is not indebted to any other office, other than Perugia.

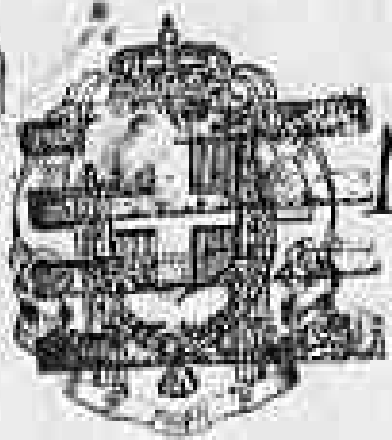
For the Regional Commissioner.

Nemo:
Ascertained by phone that
details of sales etc. have
been sent direct to
the Ministry.

G. Alasia
G. ALASIA
CAPT. AGD
POSTAL OFFICER

SEE 113
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MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

Direzione Generale delle Poste e dei Telegrafi

Servizio IV Div. I Sez. I
 Prot. N° 418722/835087 del 1 PS All.1 Roma, 18 FEB. 1945

Risposta al f. N°
 del

Al ON. COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
 COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSION
 ROMA

OGGETTO: Moduli messaggi
 Croce Rossa.

con lettera prot. AM/1088 in data 30 gennaio
 u.s. la Delegazione per l'Italia Centrale del Comitato
 Internazionale della Croce Rossa segnala a questo Mini-
 stero che gli uffici postali delle provincie di Macera-
 ta, Ancona e Pesaro sono sprovvisti di moduli messaggi
 da L.15, e fa premure perchè il Magazzino Centrale del-
 le Carte Valori Postali provveda ad effettuare d'urgen-
 za le forniture richieste.

Poichè detta Delegazione soggiunge di avere
 dato notizia di quanto precede a codesta On. Commissione
 (trattandosi di provincie ancora sotto controllo Allea-
 to), qui unita si trasmette, per opportuna conoscenza,
 una copia della risposta che in proposito è stata invia-
 ta alla Delegazione medesima.

Alla Direzione di Pesaro i moduli sono stati
 inviati, insieme con i francobolli, in sacchi indirizza-

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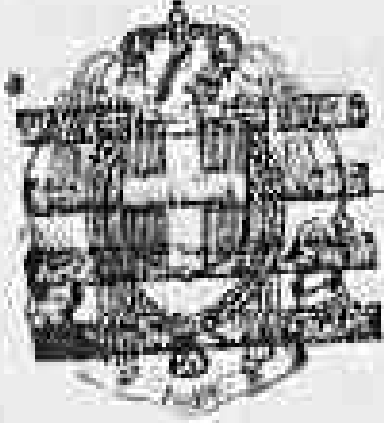
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ti al Direttore dell'Ufficio postale nella stazione ferroviaria di Jesi, giusta le istruzioni impartite da codesta On. Commissione con la nota N. P. 25/138/CS in data 22 gennaio u.s.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

(FMO)



MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

Direzione Generale delle Poste e dei Telegrafi

Servizio IV Div. I Sez. II
 Prot. N° 418722/835027 del 1 PS
 Risposta al f. N° LM/1088
 del 30.1.45

Roma, 10 FEB 1945

Al COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA
 GROCE ROSSA - DELEGAZIONE ITA-
 LIA CENTRALE - Via Sardegna, 79

OGGETTO: Moduli messaggi
 di L.15.

ROMA

In risposta al foglio sopra distinto
 si partecipa che, dal Magazzino Centrale C.V.P. di Roma,
 10.000 moduli messaggi sono stati spediti alla Direzione
 Prov. P.T. di Pesaro il 29 gennaio u.s., e 20.000 alla
 Direzione Prov. P.T. di Macerata il 5 corrente.

Dalla Direzione Prov. di Ancona non
 risulta finora pervenute alcuna richiesta.

Però il Magazzino anzidetto informa
 che è nuovamente sprovvisto dei moduli della specie; sia
 di quelli per l'Italia Centrale, che di quelli per l'Ita-
 lia Meridionale.

E pertanto, si prega di voler dispor-
 re con cortese urgenza affinché il ripetuto Magazzino ven-
 ga adeguatamente rifornito, al più presto possibile, dei
 moduli in oggetto.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

(FANO)

IL CAPO DIVISIONE



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Subject: R.C. Message Forms

13 February

With letter AM/1088 of 30 January, the Delegation for Central Italy of the International Committee of the Red Cross informs this Ministry that the P. Offices of Macerata, Ancona and Pesaro Provinces, are without the 15 lire message and forms, and they are most anxious that the central "Magazzini delle Carte e Valori" should urgently provide the supplies in demand.

As said Delegation adds that they have kept your Commission informed of the proceeding (as the Provinces concerned are still under Allied Control) here enclosed we transmit for your information a copy of the reply that has been despatched to the same Delegation. The Message Forms have been sent to the Pesaro Direction together with the stamps in bags addressed to the Director of the P.O. in the railway station of Jesi, following the instructions issued by your Commission in your No P. 25.138/CS of 23 January 1945

Subject: 15 Lire Message Forms

10 February 1945

In reply to your AM/1088 we inform you that from the Central Magazzini Carte e Valori P. of Rome, 10,000 message forms have been forwarded to the P.T. Prov. Dir. of Pesaro on the 29 February 1945 and 20,000 to the P.T. Prov. Dir. of Macerata on February 5th.

No requests have up till now arrived from Ancona Prov. Dir. But the said Magazzino informs that they are again without Message Forms of the kind; both those for Central Italy and those for Southern Italy. Therefore we beg you to give instructions with kind urgency so that the Magazzino be adequately re-supplied as soon as possible, with the forms in question.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EP.IT
(Fano)

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COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA
DELEGAZIONE ITALIA CENTRALE



Inter Arma Caritas

ROMA, 30th January 1945

79, Via Sordani - Telef. 43-721
Indirizzo telegrafico "INTERCROSS - ROMA"

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
Communications Sub-Commission
APO 394

RIF.: AM/1087

Si prega menzionare nella risposta

Subject- International Red Cross Message Forms.

We have been informed by the Italian Red Cross that the Post Offices of the following Provinces:

ANCONA
MACERATA
PESARO

request the supply of Message Forms.

This request has also been transmitted to the: "DIREZIONE GENERALE POSTE E TELEGRAFI" ROMA= Via del Seminario" in order that they send immediately a sufficient stock of international Message Forms to the a/named Provinces.

We should be very grateful for your kind co-operation in this matter.

Le Délégué Adjoint du C.I.C.R.

Délegation Italie Centrale

(Dr. A. Luvin)

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Communications Sub-Commission

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8 February 1945

In reply
refer to : P.I3.I09/CS

Subject : International Red Cross message forms.

To : R.C., Lazio-Umbria Region (for Postal Officer)
; Abruzzi-Marche Region

Please expedite reply to our P.I3.I02/CS of 10 Jan. 45.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone

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J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director

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ALLIED COMMISSION
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Communications Sub-Commission

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8 February 1945

In reply
refer to : P.13.108/03

Subject : International Red Cross message forms.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

Ref. your 835027/I.PS of 9 January 45.

1. Forwarded herewith are returns from Arezzo, Firenze, Livorno, Pisa and Siena for the month of December. There were no relative transactions during the preceding months for those provinces, or for Pistoia during the whole period.
2. Particular for the remaining provinces will be forwarded when received.

J.L.H.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

5 February 1945

Ref.88/1/15

Subject: International Red Cross Message Forms.
TO : Communications Sub-Commission, Headquarters, A.C.

1. Ref.your P.13.102/CS of 10 January,
returns from Florence,Arezzo,Livorno,Pisa,
Siena are herewith. The Grosseto return has
not yet arrived; it will be forwarded as soon
as received.

2. In the case of Pistoia the return is
nil.

For the Regional Commissioner,

R.S. Drummond
R.S. DRUMMOND,
Captain,
Regional Postal Officer.

*X. The returns are
for the month of
November. No
forms were dealt
with during Sept.
Oct. & Nov.*

R.M.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
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Communications Sub-Commission

In reply
refer to : P.13.106/43.

17 January 1945

Subject : International Red Cross Messages.

To : I.R.C. Barcelona-Valencia Region (for Postal Officer)
" Lasio-Sabria Region " " "
" Valencia Region " " "

1. With reference to my P.13.102/33., I enclose a copy of a communication received from the I.R.C. together with the reply sent from this office.
2. Attention is drawn to the request by the I.R.C. that I.R.C. Provinces should obtain their supplies of forms exclusively from the Magazine Centrale. Where it is desired to obtain the forms prior to the opening of Postal Services the relative requisition may be forwarded through official channels via this Sub-Commission.
3. The complaint that the forms are not on sale at certain post offices will doubtless be referred to Provincial Directors.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone

WRC

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel
Director

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Copy to:
Major Turner.

Date: 21-1-45

2 Inc.: 1 letter AL (33/1019) from I.R.C. with translation.
1 letter P.13.106/43 to I.R.C.

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In reply
 refer to : F.13.105/03.

17 January 1945

Subject : International Red Cross Message Forms.

To : Comitato Internazionale della Croce Rossa
 Delegazione Italia Centrale
 79, Via Sardegna - Roma.

1. With reference to your AL (42/1019) of 15th Jan. the Postal Offices of the Regions concerned have already been asked to instruct Provincial Directorates Posts and Telegraphs of Provinces outside Italian Government territory to furnish to the Ministry a statement giving details of any stocks of Message Forms obtained otherwise than from the Magazzino Centrale.

2. It has also been requested that the monthly returns of sales etc. from October onwards be submitted to the Ministry.

3. Your remarks concerning the future requisitioning of such Forms and the failure to place them on sale at some Post Offices are receiving attention.

WHS
 J.L. HENDERSON
 Colonel
 Director

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Date _____
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C O P I A

COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA
DELEGATIONE ITALIA CENTRALE

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Roma, 30th Sept. 1944

Rit. AF. 589

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Re.: Rapid Service - 1043

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of Sept. 22nd informing us that the Allied Force Headquarters agree to the inclusion of:

P.W. Express-message forms
and Civil and military inquiry forms

in the Rapid Service going through official courier channel.

We take this opportunity to thank you for the help you kindly give to our work.

(Dott. A. LUVINI)

Received on Jan. 15th 45.

Original to Censorship on 17 Jan 45

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22 September 1944

SUBJECT: Rapid Service Mail.

TO : Comitato Internazionale Della Croce Rossa,
Delegazione in Italia, 55 Via Campania, Rome.

1. Reference your letter 8 August 1944, file AL/mdh,
on the above subject, please be advised that this matter
has been taken up with Allied Force Headquarters and that
they have expressed their agreement to the inclusion of:

P.W. Express-Message Forms
Civil and Military Inquiry Forms

in the Rapid Service going through official courier channels.

2. Appropriate steps have been taken to notify the
Allied Censor Control Officers of this decision and it is
anticipated that no difficulty will be encountered in the
future.

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

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COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA
DELEGAZIONE ITALIA CENTRALE

Inter Arma Caritas

RIF. A.L. (AM/1019)

Si prega menzionare nella risposta

ROMA, li 15 Gennaio 1945

79, Via Sardegna - Telef. 45727

Indirizzo telegrafico "INTERCRUX - ROMA"

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sotto-Commissione per le Comunicazioni.
A.C. - H.Q.

e per conoscenza:

alla DIREZIONE GENERALE PP.TT. = Serf. IV = ROMA
al Magazzino Centrale Carte Valori Postali = ROMA =

OGGETTO: Moduli-messaggi C.I.C.R. per le Province sotto ammini-
strazione alleata.

Per accordi a suo tempo presi con i rispettivi Ufficiali Postali Regionali, questa Delegazione ha fornito sino ad oggi le seguenti partite di moduli-messaggi nell'Italia Centrale:

ROMA- Cassa A)	N.	200.000 moduli
" " B)		50.000 "
AQUILA		100.000 "
FIRENZE		50.000 "

Totale	"	400.000 "

Questi moduli sono stati ora presi in "carico figurativo" dal Magazzino Centrale Carte e Valori Postali-Piazza Verdi-Roma e siccome d'ora in avanti noi forniremo nuovi moduli soltanto allo stesso Magazzino Centrale, Vi preghiamo di voler dare disposizioni a tutte le Province da Voi dipendenti di rivolgersi esclusivamente a detto magazzino per le richieste del caso.

Così pure, avendo sino ad oggi percepito un solo acconto di L. 906.750 da parte della Direzione Provinciale di Roma-Cassa A)- quale risultato delle vendite effettuate, Vi preghiamo di voler invitare tutte le Direzioni Provinciali PP.TT. da Voi dipendenti di voler tempestivamente rimettere ogni fine mese il risultato delle vendite dei moduli e gli eventuali ri-

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cavi, alla Direzione Generale PP.TT/ presso il Ministero delle Comunicazioni, col quale soltanto noi desidereremmo intrattenere rapporti finanziari, che risulterebbero altrimenti quanto mai complicati per effetto dell'esistenza nell'Italia Centrale di provincie sotto amministrazione alleata e sotto amministrazione italiana.

Con l'occasione richiamiamo la Vostra attenzione sul fatto che in numerose provincie dove è aperto il servizio postale, non tutti gli Uffici Postali hanno posto in vendita i moduli del Comitato Internazionale Croce Rossa (specialmente in Umbria e nelle Marche).

In attesa di Vs/ cortese riscontro distintamente salutiamo

Le Délégué Adjoint du C.I.C.R.
Délégation Italia Centrale

(Dr. A. Euvini)

103 B.

Translation

Subject: Message-forms of I.R.C. for Provinces under Allied Administration

To : A.C. Communications and for information:
to Under Secretary of State for PP.TT.

Following an arrangements with the Regional Postal Officers, this Delegation has supplied till today the following consignments of message forms in central Italy:

Rome - A)	200.000	forms
" B)	50.000	"
Aquila	100.000	"
Florence	50.000	"
Total	400.000	"

These forms have now been figuratively taken in charge by the Magazine Centrale Carte e Valori - Piazza Verdi Rome - Because in future we will supply new forms only to this Central Store, it would be appreciated if you would arrange that Provinces under your jurisdiction address their requisition only to the above Store.

We also point out that till today we have received only the amount of L. 906.750 from the Provincial Direction of Rome (A), for the forms sold. It would therefore be appreciated if you would advise all the Prov. Directions under your jurisdiction to forward, at the end of each month, the statement of the forms sold and of the amount received to the General Director PP.TT., with which only we wish to have administrative relations, which would otherwise result too complicated because of the existence, in Central Italy, of provinces under Allied and Italian Control.

In this occasion we point out also that in numerous provinces, opened to postal services, not all the P.O.S are selling the forms of I.R.C.C. (specially in Umbria and Marche).

Waiting for your kind reply we are your sincerely:

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission.

Rome, 10th January 1945.

P.13.102/09

Subject : International Red Cross Messages.

To : R.C. Abruzzi-Marche Region (for Postal Officer)
R.C. Lazio " " "
R.C. Toscana " " "

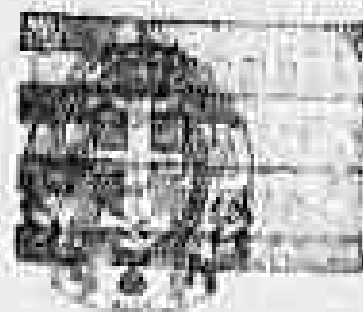
1. Please ask the Provincial Directorates referred to in the attached letter from the Ministry to furnish the return required under article n.81 para IX of Bulletin n.4 in respect of the months of September, October, November, and December.

2. This information is necessary to enable the Ministry to settle accounts with the I.R.C.

3. If the stock of forms was obtained otherwise than through the normal channels it would be desirable that an explanatory statement indicating dates of supply, source and number of forms concerned should accompany the returns.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

J. I. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.



Roma, 9 GEN. 1945

Ministero delle Comunicazioni
DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

Allied Commission
Posts and Telecommunications
Sub Commission

ROMA

Spese IV Per 1 Pa 2
Rel. N° 835027/1PS

Risposta al N°

OGGETTO: Messaggi civili della Croce Rossa Internazionale.

Si prega codesta on. Commissione d'inviare le Direzioni Provinciali P.T. di Ancona, Arezzo, Ascoli Piceno, Firenze, Grosseto, Livorno, Macerata, Perugia, Pisa, Pistoia, Siena e Terni a trasmettere d'urgenza a questo Ministero i prospetti indicanti la consistenza dei moduli dei messaggi in oggetto per i mesi di Settembre, Ottobre, Novembre e Dicembre 1944, come disposto dal n. 14, lettera b, n. 2 della circolare n. 835027/1PS riprodotta nel paragrafo 81 del Bollettino n. 4 Parte seconda del 16 settembre 1944.

Handwritten notes:
In conformity with the above
Rel. N° 835027/1PS
provision with the R. E.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
(F. 13)

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TRANSLATION

101 B.

Subject: Civil Messages of the I.R.C.

Please arrange that the Provincial Directions of Ancona, Arezzo, Ascoli Piceno, Firenze, Grosseto, Livorno, Macerata, Perugia, Pisa, Pistoia, Siena and Terni forward urgently to this Ministry the records showing the amount of forms on hand in the months of September, October, November and December 44, as arranged in para IX, letter b, N° 3 of the circular N° 835027/RPS published in para 81 of Bull. N°4 Part 2nd of 16 September 44.

THE UNITED SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PR.IT.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/ww

4 January 1945

G-5: 461-5

SUBJECT: Books for Italian P.O.W.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference the memo sent to you on 13 December on the above subject from this Section Economics and Supply Division. It now appears that G-1 (B) this HQ is awaiting particulars from M. Gaston de Reynier which will enable them to get him advice on the British side as to the movement of the books to camps under British control.

2. The above is passed to you for information.

For Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

T. B. Jackman
T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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To Transportation Sub-Commission

(1) For your information in connection with the correspondence sent to you with my P13.97/C5 of ~~AFHQ~~ 18 Dec 1944

(2) The foregoing probably arises from the fact that informal representations ^{have been} made ^{to AFHQ} to the effect that the line of action recommended in their C-9 of 13 Dec did not appear to meet this case.

W. H. Green
major
communications subcomm

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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In reply
refer to : P.13.99/CS

2 January 1945

Subject : International Red Cross Messages.

To : R.C. Abbruzzi-Marche Region (att. Postal Officer)

1. With reference to your telephone enquiry concerning the availability of these message forms the matter is covered in the following Bollettini:-

Bollettino N°4, Article 81, Page 187.

" Il servizio riguarda i messaggi scambiati esclusivamente con i civili che si trovano nei territori occupati dal nemico in Italia o nei Paesi esteri con i quali non é consentito lo scambio di corrispondenze.

E' vietato pertanto l'uso di detti messaggi indirizzati ai prigionieri e internati civili di guerra e diretti a località appartenenti ai territori con i quali vigono normali comunicazioni postali (Italia liberata, Stati Alleati, territori controllati dagli Alleati e Paesi neutrali non occupati dal nemico."

Bollettino N°8, Article 172, Page 331.

" I messaggi civili della Croce Rossa Internazionale possono essere inviati anche ai Militari Italiani in Germania sia in campo di concentramento sia con indirizzo Feldpost."

2. It will be seen that, apart from the recent relaxation in favour of Italian Troops, the service is intended to be used solely for civilians resident in enemy territory.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone

with

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission

I Inc.:

Copy of Original Notice to the Public.

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EXTRACT from POST OFFICE CIRCULAR of 20 December 1944

DF 994 Free postage concession for postal packets sent to or by the Agence Centrale des Prisonniers de Guerre, Geneve.

It has been agreed to extend the free postage facilities already accorded to postal packets sent to or by prisoners of war, civilian internees and prisoners of war information bureaux to cover postal packets sent to or by the Agence Centrale des Prisonniers de Guerre of the International Red Cross Committee, Geneva, for the purpose of obtaining information concerning, or sending relief to, all victims of the war, whether military or civil.

The concession of free postage however does not apply to air mail correspondence.

The Agence Centrale have issued inquiry cards for completion and return by refugees and evacuees in various countries. Such cards forwarded by the Agence Centrale or returned to them on completion should, when received or sent by surface route, ~~be delivered or forwarded without surcharge, as in the case of prisoner of war surface correspondence sent by or addressed to the Agence Centrale.~~

civil
Notwithstanding that there is at present no parcel post to Switzerland, it may be possible to arrange for the despatch of "relief" parcels to the Agence Centrale free of postage provided that the senders comply with Export Licensing, Censorship and Currency Control regulations. Anyone who makes inquiry should be informed accordingly and advised as a first step to approach the Board of Trade, Export Licensing Department, 4, Fenchurch Avenue, London, E.C. 3. For the present, specific instructions will be given to the offices concerned regarding the acceptance and disposal of such parcels as may be authorised for despatch.

(P.O.C. 20.12.44)

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M B M O -

18th December 1944

P.13.97/GS

Subject: Books for Italian P.O.W.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. The problem of providing for the transport of the cases and parcels of books from the Italian Red Cross, 6 Via Puglia, Rome, to destinations is referred to you as requested by G-5 A.P.H. in the attached correspondence.
2. When your views on the subject are known the necessary censorship arrangements will be made.

W. H. Green
major

for Director, Communications Sub-Commission

- Inc 1 - List of cases and parcels
 Inc 2 - Letter of 8 Dec from International YMCA
 Inc 3 - P.13.95/GS of 9 Dec to G-5
 Inc 4 - C-9 of 13 Dec from G-5

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CONFIDENTIALALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

Ref. C-9

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: Books for Italian P.O.W.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

Ref attached correspondence which is returned herewith.

1. It is requested that you present the whole problem to the Transportation Sub-Commission. All requests for movement of whatever nature should be so channelled.

2. No objection is seen here to the shipment of properly censored parcels in opportunity shipments as they arise. The solution is no doubt for the overseas balance of cases and parcels to be moved to Naples where local arrangements can be made to take advantage of these opportunity shipments.

For the Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



M. J. Glenn
M.J. GLENN
Lt. Colonel
Economics & Supply Division

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Date Dec 16/12/44

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

WHG/ec

9th December 1944

In reply
refer to : P.I3.95/C3

Subject: Books for Italian P.O.W.

To : G - 5 , A.F.H.Q.

1. M. Gatson de Reynier of the International Y.M.C.A. called at this HQ and stated that he has been instructed by General Guillon of that Association to buy books in Rome for despatch to POW camps in various parts of the world.

2. The books, which are contained in 427 cases and 268 parcels addressed as shown in the attached list, are at present in the premises of the Italian Red Cross at 6 Via Puglie, Rome.

3. M. de Reynier requests that the cases and parcels should be conveyed to destination by Allied means.

4. So far as this Sub-Commission is concerned no objection is seen to the request being granted but the consignment is, of course, altogether outside the scope of any civil mail service.

5. In the enclosed letter an assurance is given regarding the unobjectionable nature of the books and a "snap" check censorship before the boxes are fastened can be arranged.

6. It is understood that, if necessary, arrangements could be made for the Naples Delegation of the Italian Red Cross to take the packages into store at Naples pending shipment as was done in the case of the smaller consignment dealt with earlier this year on behalf of the Italian Red Cross (G-5 III.16-2 of 30 July 1944). In view, however, of the number of the packages and the diversity of the addresses it may be considered preferable to have them conveyed entirely under military arrangements from Rome onwards.

For the Chief Commissioner

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel
Munton

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Letter of Dec 8 from M. Reynier

Enc 2

List of cases etc

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GASTON de REYNIER
International
YMCA

Rome, December 8 th, 1944

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(1)

To the Chief of the
Communication Sub-Commission

R o m e

Dear Sir,

I confirm you that General Guillon and the International YMCA Comitee asked me to come to Rome in order to buy books for prisoners of war.

Knowing that the censor of each camp will carefully look after the contents of each case, I have paid the greatest attention to the fact that the 427 cases should contain only unpolitical books.

The 263 parcels were all provided by the P.W.B.

I would be very thankful to you, if you will take the following cases and parcels at the Italian Red Cross, 6 Via Puglia, Rome. The Italian Red Cross is my representative in Rome and is entitled to replace me.

Herewith I beg to enclose the list of the cases and parcels.

Believe me

Yours very truly:

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ORDER FORM

No. 618

The following shipment is authorized to:

NAME THE LIBRARY ITALIAN RED CROSS

ADDRESS Mr. GASTON DE REYNIER - Via PUGLIE - Roma C.R.

Reference No.	Quantity	TITLE	Price
Numero di riferimento	Quantità	TITOLO	Prezzo
PWE 237	18000	Il Mondo n. 13	
" 79	3000	" " 4	
" 80	15000	" " 5	
" 83	15000	" " 8	
" 84	10000	" " 9	
OWI 245	10000	Concetta Scarcavaglione	
" 246	10000	Ernest Pellegrini	
" 247	10000	John Corbino	
" 224	10000	Umberto Romano	
" 225	10000	John Stella	
" 66	8000	U.S.A. n. 2	
" 96	15000	" " 3	
Ricevuti i seguenti pacchi di cui:			
n° 45 (quarantacinque) ricoperti di carta da pacchi			
n° 80 (ottanta) ricoperti di tela cerata			
Roma, 21 ottobre 1944.			

DATE 18th October 44

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

UNIT No. 12 APO 794

R. K. CARRICK,

Chief of Distribution,

Publication Section.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
UNIT No. 12 APO 794Capt. R. K. CARRICK,
Chief of Distribution,
Publication Section.

*Books for P.O.W. at premises of
Italian Red Cross to be delivered Rome*

Rome, 6th December 1944.

Dear Sir,

According to our conversation of today, I would be very thankful to you if you take the following parcels for prisoners of war at the Italian Red Cross 6 Via Puglie à Rome.

Nos	P.O.W.	Adresses	Algeria	Cases	Parcels
1-23		Saïda	Algeria	16	7
24-31	"	Boghar	"	3	5
32-38	"	Carnot	"	3	4
39-46	"	Palat	"	3	5
47-53	"	Kenadza	"	3	4
54-60	"	Colomb Béchar	"	3	4
61-68	"	Constantine	"	3	5
69-76	"	Glaugel	"	4	4
77-83	"	Mine de l'Ouenza	"	3	4
84-91	"	Bizerte	Tunisie	3	5
92-99	"	Tunis	"	3	5
100-107	"	Zaghuan	"	3	5
108-117	"	Midelt	Maroc.	4	6
118-126	"	Bidon II	Algeria	3	6
127-134	"	Sousse	Tunisie	3	5
135-144	"	Marrakech	Maroc.	3	7
145-152	"	Ajaccio	Corse	4	4
153-159	"	Ain El Hadgar	Algeria	4	3
160-166	"	Colomb Bechar	"	3	4
167-174	"	207	Italy	3	5
175-182	"	209	"	3	5
183-197	"	326	"	10	4
198-205	"	371	"	4	4
206-212	"	211	"	3	4
213-219	"	368	"	3	4
220-230	Y M CA	Genève	India	80	8
231-334	YMCA	Cairo	Swiss	9	2
335-382	"	London	Egypt	38	39
383-420	"	Nairobi	England	11	29
421-460	"	Paris	Kenia	39	23
461-483	"	Wellington	France	34	39
484-522	"	Chungking	New Zealand	11	34
523-556	"	London	Cina	34	11
557-567	"	S. Melbourne	England	34	34
568-601	"	Alger	Australia	29	29
602-630	"	New York	Afrika north	23	23
631-653	"	Algiers	U.S.	19	
654-672	"	Corté	North Afrika	11	
673- Hospital	"	Bastia	Corse	1	

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69-76	"	Glaugel	"	4	4
77-83	"	Mine de l'Ouenza	"	3	4
84-91	"	Bizerte	Tunisie	3	5
92-99	"	Tunis	"	3	5
100-107	"	Zaghuan	"	3	5
108-117	"	Mifelt	Maroc.	4	6
118-126	"	Bidon II	Algeria	3	6
127-134	"	Sousse	Tunisie	3	5
135-144	"	Marrakech	Maroc.	3	7
145-152	"	Ajaccio	Corse	4	4
153-159	"	Aïn El Hadgar	Algeria	4	3
160-166	"	Colomb Bechar	"	3	4
167-174	"	207	Italy	3	5
175-182	"	209	"	3	5
183-197	"	326	"	10	5
198-205	"	371	"	4	4
206-212	"	211	"	3	4
213-219	"	368	"	3	4
220-230	Y M CA		India	3	4
231-334	YMCA	Genève	Swiss	80	8
335-382	"	Cairo	Egypt	9	24
383-420	"	London	England	38	39
421-460	"	Nairobi	Kenia	11	29
461-483	"	Paris	France	23	23
484-522	"	Wellington	New Zealand	39	39
523-556	"	Chungking	Cina	34	34
557-567	"	London	England	11	11
568-601	"	S. Melbourne	Australia	34	34
602-630	"	Alger	Afrika north	29	29
631-653	"	New York	U.S.	23	23
654-672	"	Algiers	North Afrika	19	
673- Hospital		Corté	Corse	1	
674 Citadella		Bastia	"	1	
675 Lupin		"	"	1	
676 Magistrini		"	"	1	
677 F		Ponte Nuovo	"	1	
678		Lento	"	1	
679 Catteragio		Corté	"	1	
680 Piedicorte		"	"	1	

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Nos	Adresses		Cases	Parcels
681 -	Maison d'Arret	Réport	412	268
682 -	Citadella	"	1	
683 -		Partinello	1	
684 -		Tivarollo	1	
685 -		Coti Chiavari	1	
686 -		Tatonne	1	
687 -		Tavera	1	
688 -		Ajaccio	1	
689 -	P.O.E. 326 O B S	A.P.O. 728 U.S.A.	1	
690 -	P.O.W. 209	C M F	1	
691 -	" " 372	"	1	
692 -	" " 370	"	1	
693 -	Station Hospital	262 P.W.E. 328	1	
694 -	"	" 78	1	
695 -	Provost Marshal	Peninsulars Section	1	
	A.P.O. 782			

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338	Cases	0,40	X	0,40	X	0,35	=	18 m3	93
339	"	0,70	X	0,45	X	0,35	=	9 "	81
240	Parcels	0,35	X	0,25	X	0,10	=	2 "	10
28	"	0,50	X	0,35	X	0,25	=	1 "	23
	Total							32 m3	07

Believe me your truly

J. de Reynier

International y m c A

London Hotel
47 London Road
Rome

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
 Date/Time of Origin:

Message Centre No: C/2160
 Date/Time Rec'd: DEC 011400
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AC ROME
 TO: AC POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSIONE ROMA

ACTION

IN CLEAR.

DIRPOSTEL Sotto Controllo Governo Italiano CTA per conoscenza AC Posta and
 Telecommunications Sub Commissione ROMA Deposito Carte Valori Postali PALERMO - Magazzino
 Centrale Carte Valori Postali Piazza VERDI ROMA--

4/1 seguito circolare telegrafica 046180 nove corrente Delegazione PALERMO Comitato
 Internazionale Croce Rossa segnala che vari uffici postali SICILIA et SARDEGNA risultano
 tuttora sprovvisti moduli messaggi civili per cui in PALERMO sarebbe stata fatta incetta
 moduli stessi et loro vendita a prezzi elevati Alt Scopo evitare ripetersi tale inconvenient
 pregasi rifornire subito dipendenti uffici che ne siano sprovvisti di congruo quantitativo
 moduli suddetti senza attendere relative richieste et vigilare perche uffici ne siano
 costantemente provvisti adottando severi provvedimenti pu nitivi qualora dovessero
 verificarsi irregolarita- Sottosegretario Stato FANO

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TELEGRAMS

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To: All Prov. Directions Under Italian Government Control.

Following on our circular telegram 046180 of Nov. 9th I.M.C. Delegation of Palermo notifies that various offices in Sicily & Sardinia are understood to be short of message forms. It appears that at Palermo such forms have been sold at the black market. In order to avoid such inconveniences, please supply at once all subordinate unprovided offices with a suitable amount of forms, without waiting the relative requests, and control that all offices be always duly supplied, taking strict measures in case of irregularities.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
for I.P.TT.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

In reply
refer to : P.13.93/CS

1 December 1944

Subject : Circulation of I.R.C. Message Forms.
To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

1. With reference to your letter 835027/IPB/837876 of 25th November it would have been more helpful if the Delegation had specified the Offices and Provinces from which the message forms are actually being forwarded incorrectly to Naples instead of Rome.
2. The Message Service is not being operated at present through the Post Office in most of the Provinces mentioned in your letter and in any case there are no despatches from those provinces to Naples.
3. Instructions have, however, been issued drawing attention to the standing arrangements.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

In reply
refer to : P.13.92/G3

1 December 1944

Subject : Circulation of I.R.C. Message Forms.

To : A.C. Abruzzi - Marche Region (attention Postal Officer).
" Toscana " " "
" Lazio - Umbria " " "

1. The Rome Delegation of the International Red Cross has complained that certain offices which are due to circulate the Message forms to Rome are incorrectly forwarding them to Naples.

2. It is unlikely that Offices outside Italian Government territory are at fault but where the I.R.C. Message Service is introduced in any province the Provincial Director's attention should be drawn to the standing instructions in Bulletin N° 4 Part II page 186.

By Command of Commodore Stone.

Handwritten signature

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

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Roma 25 NOV. 1944 193 A 914



Ministero delle Comunicazioni

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

Servizio IV Divisione 1 Sez. 2

Protocollo N. 835027/1PB/837876

Allegato N. 2

Al la Commissione Alleata
Posts and Telecommunications Sub
Commission - Via Veneto - ROMA
e per conoscenza:

Alla Delegazione dell'Italia Cen-
trale del Comitato Internazionale
della Croce Rossa - Via Sardegna 79
ROMA

Risposta al f. N. 2

del

OGGETTO Avviamento dei messaggi civili C.R.I.

Con lettera N. AM/780 in data 12 corr., della quale si unisce copia, la Delegazione di Roma del Comitato Internazionale della Croce Rossa ha segnalato che i messaggi civili in partenza dagli Uffici postali di varie Province liberate, fra le quali Ancona, Apuania, Arezzo, Ascoli Piceno, Firenze, Grosseto, Livorno, Lucca, Macerata, Perugia, Pesaro, Pisa, Pistoia, Siena e Termini, poste sotto il controllo di codesta on. Commissione Alleata, vengono inviati alla Delegazione di Napoli del predetto Comitato Internazionale C.R. anziché a quella di Roma, contrariamente a quanto disposto con gli ultimi due comini del n. VI della circolare ministeriale n. 835027/1PB del 5.9.1944, riprodotta a pag. 186, paragrafo 81, del Bollettino n. 4, Parte Seconda, del 16 settembre c.a.

Questo Ministero ha già provveduto a far richiamare a maggior attenzione gli Uffici postali dipendenti dalle Direzioni P.T. delle Province poste sotto la giurisdizione del Governo italiano.

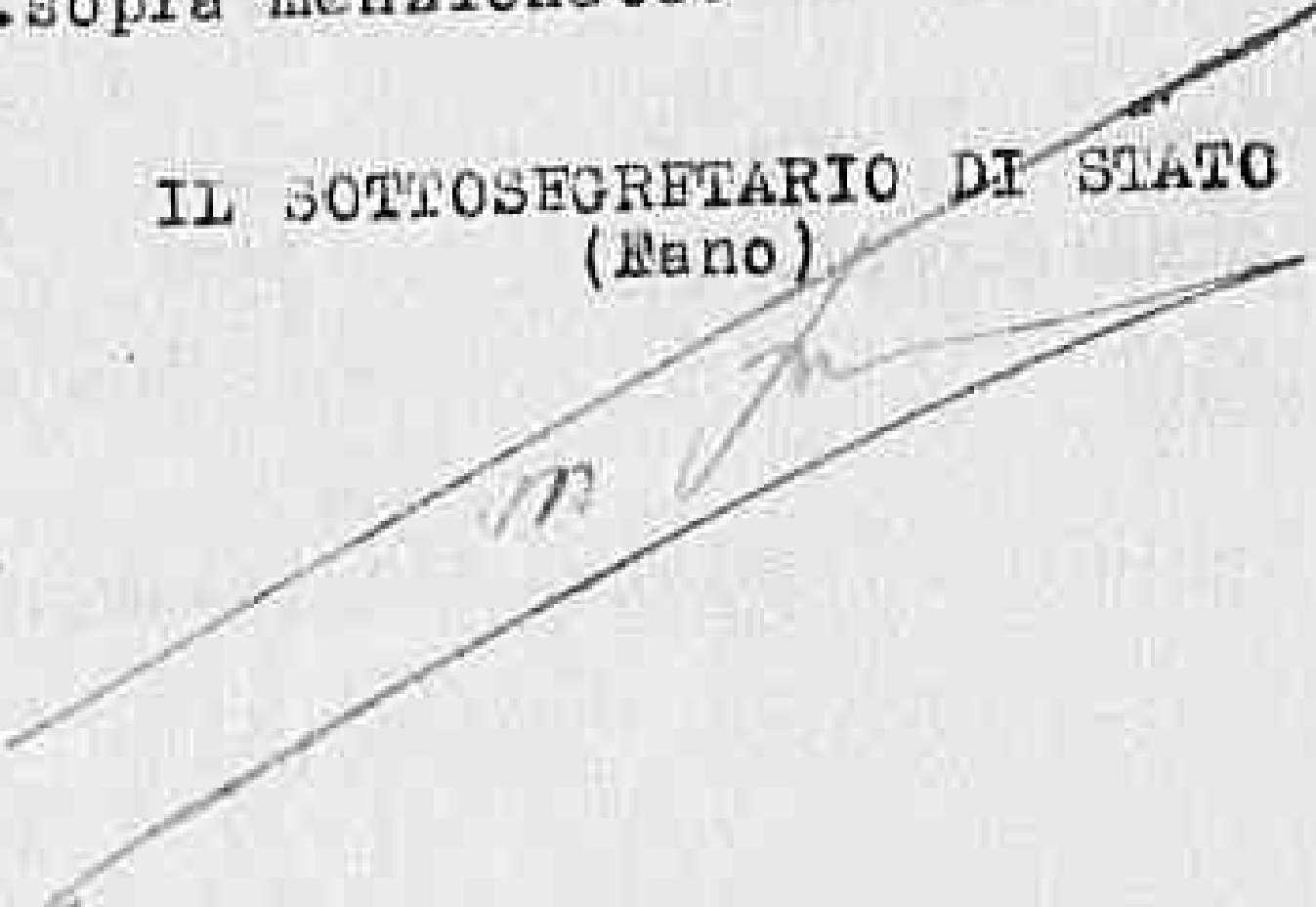
Si prega di allegare a questa lettera un solo argomento e indicarlo nella risposta
S. V. di Direzione e la Direzione di cui si risponde

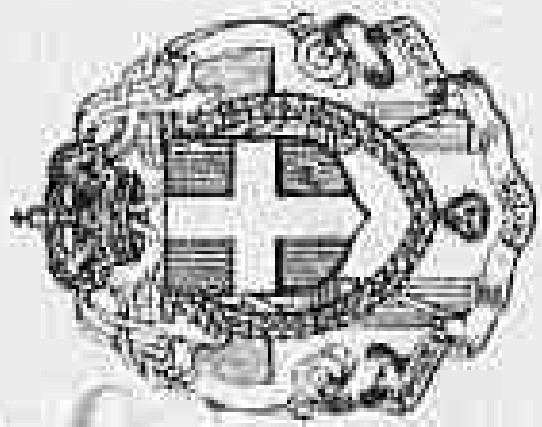
STAMPATO PER ORDINE DELLO STATO

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Si prega codesta on. Commissione di voler impartire, nel
la propria competenza, le necessarie istruzioni alle altre
Direzioni P.T. sopra menzionate.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
(Fano)





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Ministero delle Comunicazioni

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

Servizio IV = Div. I = sez. II

C O P I A

COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CROCE ROSSA
DELEGAZIONE ITALIA CENTRALE

Roma, 13.11.1944

Rif. AM/780

ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E TELEGRAFI

R O C M A

Oggetto: Istradamento messaggi civili.

La nostra Delegazione di Napoli ci fa presente che gli Uffici postali di varie Province di nostra competenza, inviano i messaggi civili, in partenza dalle Province stesse, alla Delegazione di Napoli anziché alla nostra. Tale circostanza crea vari inconvenienti di indole amministrativa e, inoltre, una perdita nell'istradamento dei messaggi i quali vengono poi inviati da Napoli alla nostra Delegazione.

Ciò premesso vi preghiamo vivamente di dare istruzioni ai seguenti Uffici postali perché invino alla nostra Delegazione tutti i messaggi in partenza dalle loro Province:

UFFICIO POSTALE DI:	PESCARA	LUCCA	LITTORIA
PEROSINONE	ANCONA	RIETI	MACERATA
ASCOLI PICENO	TERAMO	PESARO	AREZZO
APUANIA	PISTOIA	VITERBO	GROSSETO
SIENA	PERUGIA	AQUILA	FIRENZE
TERNI	CHIETI	LIVORNO	ROMA

Naturalmente per le Province di Apuania e Pistoia la vostra comunicazione avrà luogo appena possibile. Abbiamo però voluto indicarvi al completo le Province che rientrano nella zona di nostra competenza.

Gradiremo vostro cortese cenno di assicurazione e frattanto salutiamo distintamente.

f.to Dr. A. Luvisi

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Copia alla Delegazione di Napoli per conoscenza.

Per copia conforme

Roma 24 NOV 1944

C O P I A

COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE DELLA CRUCE ROSSA
DELEGAZIONE ITALIA CENTRALE

Roma, 13.11.1944

Rif. 780

ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E TELEGRAPHI

R C M A

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f.to Dr.A.Luvini

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Copia alla Delegazione di Napoli
per conoscenza.

Per copia conforme

Roma 24 NOV 1944

Il Capo Divisione



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Translation of 91 B

91 B
13 Nov. 44

SUBJECT: Circulation of I.R.C. Message Forms

Our Delegation of Naples informs us that the P. Offices of various Provinces under Italian Control, forward the Message Forms, despatched from the same Provinces to the Naples Delegation instead of ours. This Circumstance is a source of inconveniences as regards to our administration, and is also a reason of delaying the routing of the messages that are afterwards sent from Naples to our Delegation.

Therefore we ask you to give instructions to the following offices, so that all outgoing Messages from their Provinces be sent to our Delegation:

P. Office of: Grosinone, Ancona, Pescara, Lucca, Litteria, Ascoli Piceno, Teramo Pisa, Rieti, Macerata Apuania, Pistoia, Viterbo, Pessaro, Arezzo, Siena, Perugia, Aquila, Grosseto, Firenze, Terni, Chieti, Iiverno, ROMA.

Naturally for the Provinces of Apuania and Pistoia, your communication will take place as soon as possible, but we wanted you to know the entire list of Provinces that are under our control.

We would like to receive acknowledgement etc.

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25 Nov. 1944

SUBJECT: Circulation of I.R.C. Message Forms

With letter No AM/780, dated Nov. 13 of which copy is included, the Rome Delegation of the I.R.C. Committee has given information that the message forms despatched from Postal Offices in various liberated Provinces such as Arezzo, Apuania, Arezzo, Ascoli Piceno, Firenze Grosseto, Livorno, Lucca, Macerata, Perugia, Pesaro, Pisa, Pistoia, Siena and Terni, which are under control of this Allied Commission, are forwarded to the Delegation of Naples instead of Rome, in contradiction to what was disposed in the two last para - No VII of the Ministerial Circular No P35027/ IPS of 5-9-1944, reproduced on page No 186, para. 81, of Bulletin No 4, 2nd part of 16th Sept.

This Ministry has already provided to draw the attention of the Postal Offices that depend from the P.T. Direction of the Provinces under control of the Italian Government, to the matter.

We ask this Commission to issue the above mentioned necessary instructions to the other P.T. Directions under control of the Commission.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR P.T.T.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

In reply
refer to : I6/I3.90 PS.

23 November 1944

Subject : I.R.C. Forms.

To : R.C. Toscana Region (attention Postal Officer)

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Reference your 88/I/19 of Nov. 16.- Although it seems unlikely, under present conditions, that Red Cross message forms posted now will get through to destination in northern Italy and Germany for some considerable time, no objection is seen to placing the forms on sale in Florence and Grosseto, if the I.R.C. so wishes.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
TOSCANA REGION

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16 Nov. 1944.

Ref. 88/1/19

Subject: International Red Cross Message Service.
TO : Communication Sub-Commission, Headquarters A.C.

- 1) The local correspondent of the I.R.C. called today and asked that the I.R.C. message forms should be placed on sale, particularly to enable civilians to send messages to relatives in N. Italy and Germany.
- 2) A stock of 50,000 forms is on hand here and there would be no difficulty in commencing the service. The completed forms could be sent forward to Rome with the postcards.
- 3) May I be informed if the service may now be commenced in Florence and also in Grosseto where mail services are operating.
- 4) An early reply will be appreciated.

For the Regional Commissioner,

R. S. Drummond
R. S. DRUMMOND,
Captain,
Regional Postal Officer.

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BY FAST AIR MAIL :

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No. 2040/DMI/GSI(J)(1).

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, INDIA.
General Staff Branch,
SIMLA, the 9th Novr. 1944.

To

Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission,
C. M. F.

Subject :- I.R.C.C. Delegates' Mail.

In continuation of our No. 2040/DMI/GSI(J)(1) dated 21st
October 1944, and reference your telegram No. 6070 dated 6th
November 1944.

We are sending herewith a cover addressed to :-

Delegation C.I.C.R.,
Via Campania 55,
ROMA.

and should be grateful if you would forward this to the Red Cross
Headquarters in Rome.



Encl:- 1 envelop.

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* LIENY GENERAL.
CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF.

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FROM U.S. OF STATE TO PROVINCIAL DIRECTIONS UNDER ITALIAN CONTROL

International Red Cross has informed us that several Postal Offices in Southern Italy have exhausted the supply of Civil Message Forms, which, as arranged by our circular telegram No 112180 of 7 Nov., may now be addressed also to P.O. and Italian Internees in Germany.

The Store of Postal Values of Palermo and the Central Store of Rome, will provide to supply forthwith the Prov. Direction in Southern Italy, in their respective areas, with suitable number of the said forms, as foreseen in Para 3 circular number 835027, issued at para 81, Bulletin 4 of Sept. 16th. Provincial Direction will urgently instruct subordinate officers, as in connection with the above mentioned circular telegram.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR PP.TT.

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INFO-ACTION COMMUNICATIONS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: PALERMO, DIRPOSTEL AGRIGENTO, AVELLINO, BARI, BENEVENTO, BRINDISI, CANTANISSETTA, CAMPO-
BASSO, CATANIA, CATANZARO, COSENZA, **** SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 85/9
FROM: ROME CLASSIFICATION: IN CLEAR
REFERENCE No: TM 2 PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: NOV 9/1640 OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

**(CONTINUATION OF ADDRESSES) NINA, FOGGIA, LECCE, MATERA, MESSINA, PALERMO, POTENZA,
REGGIO CALABRIA, SALERNO, SIRACUSA, TARANTO, TERAMO, TRAPANI, DEPOSITO CARTE VALORI
POSTALI PALERMO, MAGAZZINO CENTRALE CARTE VALORI POSTALI PIAZZA VENEZIA ROMA, ET P C ALTRE
DIRPOSTEL SOTTOCONTROLLO GOVERNO ITALIANO, AC POSTS AND TC SUBCOMMISSION ROMA

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INTERNATI ITALIANI DISLOCATI GERMANIA. DEPOSITO CARTE VALORI POSTALI PALERMO ET MAGAZZINO
CENTRALE CARTE VALORI POSTALI ROMA PROVVEDANO PROPRIA COMPETENZA RIFORMARE SUBITO DIRPOSTEL
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Attached is letter of 2 Aug referred
to as basic communication. Per your
request.

Cable sent Harvey
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Thank you
8/24 Angelini
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Memo

Adj'ts Branch.

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Refce attached 2040/Dm1/GS1(?) and
your adj 311-18. of 8 Aug 44.

would you please oblige by
attaching a copy of the original
letter of 2 Aug 44., as this Sub
Commission is unaware of the
actual request made.

C. R. Shaddock Capt.
Postal Officer
Comm Sub Commission

Adjutant	BY FAST AIR MAIL.
Asst. Asst.	
Asst. Asst.	
Headquarters,	
Allied Control Commission,	
C.M.F.	

Message Center *Adjutant* *2084*
 No. 2040/DMI/GSI(J)(1).
 GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, INDIA.
 General Staff Branch,
 SIMLA, dated 21st Oct. 1944.

Communications *9c*

SS-D *85*
 Subject:- International Red Cross Delegates Mail.

Reference your letter Adj 311.18 dated 8th August 1944.

1. Your letter, although dated Aug. 8th, was only received by us on Oct. 18th 1944. The address has been amended accordingly.
2. The I.R.C.C. Delegates in India have now asked whether you would be kind enough to forward, in the same manner, mail intended for their Delegations in Rome and Naples? We have told them that we will ask you whether you can undertake this, and promised that our letter to you will be sent by Fast Air Mail. May we ask for a reply by cable, as the I.R.C.C. Delegates have received instructions from Geneva that henceforth they must deal with Rome and Naples direct, which means that until we hear from you, the Delegation's mails will have to go via Palermo, thus wasting valuable time.
3. If you can do this for us we shall be very grateful. It is our policy to help the I.R.C.C. wherever possible, and the facility whereby they are allowed to send Delegation mail by official fast channels is

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undoubtedly much appreciated.

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+ LIEUT. GENERAL.
CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF.

NK Note

Copy of Adj 311.18
dated 8 Aug attached
for easy reference

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
C.M.F.
ADJUTANTS DEPARTMENT

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8 August 1944

AMJ 911.18

SUBJECT: IRCC Delegate's Mail

TO : General Headquarters, India,
General Staff Branch,
SIMLA

Reference your 2040/DML/USI(J)(1) dated 2 Aug 1944. May all similar communications be addressed in future please to:

Headquarters
Allied Control Commission
C M F

For the Commanding Officer,

L. T. MONTANT JR
1st Lt., ACD
Adjutant

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BY FAST AIR MAIL.

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No. 2040/DMI/GSI/(J) (1).

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, INDIA,
General Staff Branch,
SIMLA, 2 Aug. 44

To: AMGOT Liaison,
15 Army Group,
Med. Forces.

Subject:- I.R.C.C. DELEGATE'S MAIL

We are sending herewith a further cover addressed to:-

Monsieur Georges Kulne,
Delegation C.I.C.R. en Sicile,
Piazza Casterlunov, 50
PALERMO, SICILY

and should be grateful if you would forward this to the Red Cross
Headquarters in Palermo.

/signed/ Illegible

CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF.

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Date 5/11/44

HEADQUARTERS
TUSCANY REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref. 88/1/19

7 Oct. 1944.

Subject: International Red Cross Message Service.
TO : Communication Sub-Commission, Headquarters, A.C.G.

1) Arrangements are being made for Florence Post Office to accept 50,000 Red Cross message forms, from the local ^{Red Cross} representative, for distribution throughout this Region.

2) Could a copy of the relative instructions, including accounting procedure, be forwarded immediately please?

For the Regional Commissioner

H.S. Drummond
H.S. Drummond,
Captain,
Regional Postal Officer.

*In the original Bulletin
No. 4*



HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Tel. No. 489081 Ex. 444

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PS.16/13.83.

11 October 1944

SUBJECT:- I.R.C. - COMMUNICATIONS

TO: - G - 5 , A.F.H.Q. 81

Ref. your G-5:091.6 of Oct. 8th.

1. Para. 2 - 4 . Noted.

2. Para. 5 . Particulars will be furnished in due course. The present actual position is as indicated in para. 2(b) of your G-5:11.1 of Sept. 14th, but para. 1 of our PS.16/15.211 of Oct. 6th (relating to your G-5:11.1 of Sept. 30th) also has a bearing on the question.

S. H. HEAD
Lt. Col.

for Director, Communications Sub-Commission

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Date



COMITE INTERNATIONAL de la CROIX-ROUGE GENEVE

Il nuovo indirizzo della DELEGAZIONE per l'ITALIA CENTRALE
è il seguente:

COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE della CROCE ROSSA

79, via Sardegna - ROMA - Telef. 45.727

e non più via Campania, 55.

La nouvelle adresse de la DELEGATION pour l'ITALIE CENTRALE
est la suivante:

COMITE INTERNATIONAL de la CROIX-ROUGE

79, via Sardegna - ROME - Tél. 45.727

et non plus via Campania, 55.

The new address of the DELEGATION for CENTRAL ITALY is
the following:

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE of the RED CROSS

79, via Sardegna - ROME - Tel. 45.727

and no more via Campania, 55.

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COMITE INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE - GENEVE

Il nuovo indirizzo della DIREZIONE GENERALE delle DELEGAZIONI in ITALIA è il seguente:

COMITATO INTERNAZIONALE della CROCE ROSSA
28, via Gregoriana - ROMA - Telef. 63.368
e non più via Campania, 55.

La nouvelle adresse de la DIRECTION GENERALE des DELEGATIONS en ITALIE est la suivante:

COMITE INTERNATIONAL de la CROIX-ROUGE
28, via Gregoriana - ROME - Tél. 63.368
et non plus via Campania, 55.

The new address of the GENERAL DIRECTION of the DELEGATIONS in ITALY is the following:

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE of the RED CROSS
28, via Gregoriana - ROME - Tel. 63.368
and no more via Campania, 55.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 G-5 Section
 APO 512

WDW/seb
 8 October 1944

G-5: 091.6

SUBJECT: International Red Cross - Communications.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
 (Attn: Communications Sub-Commission
 (Postal Section))
 APO 394.

1. Reference is made to letter PS.16/13.79 of 5 October 1944.
2. Para. 2 of the letter to which you refer is ample cover for all normal communications when civilian mail service is or becomes available.
3. Para 3(b) is included in the description of routes to cover the use of military channels for emergency and rapid services.
4. It is not considered that any amendment is necessary.
5. Any information that can be given regarding the resumption of civilian mail services between Italy and South France and North Africa and South France would be appreciated.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

W. Driffield White
 W. DRIFFIELD-WHITE
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Date 10/10/44

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