

ACC 10000/147/340

R/129/CS

RADIO-TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM ITALY

PART I

OCT. 1944 - JUNE 1945

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72.
72.

13th March, 1945

To: Executive Commissioner
Ref. Letter 70 amended.
Draft reply attached ^{at 71} for your consideration.

Incl: One letter

[Signature]
J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director,
Communications S/C

[Signature]
13 Mar

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To issue as amended *DR/10/3*

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Comms se:
Ref Minutes 72 ~ 73 above. Letter in
final form, signed by Ex Com, is returned
herewith for dispatch.

14 MAR 45.

[Signature]
Masor.

86.

Exec. C.

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1. Please see Es and 16.
2. Suggest further work with personnel in the way of only
bringing up to those who the D.L. was offered the chance
of opening radio-telephone service to Dept. at the same time
as the D.L. Then it is suggested from the Station that
the D.L. be given, and the D.L. has been at present for a
complete of being completed.
3. The C.D. may wish to be consulted as to what further
a general interest.

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[Signature]
30 Mar

TO: C.C.

CC 572

FEB 24 RECD

1 ATTACHED FILE CONTAINS LIST OF ~~24~~ SPONSORS FOR
RADIO TELEPHONE CALLS AS PROPOSED TO AFHQ.

2. FINAL LIST NOT YET RECEIVED FROM AFHQ

3. MINISTERS OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE INCLUDED
IN FINAL LIST WHICH WILL ALSO INCLUDE CHANGES IN
AC NAMES AS OCCASIONED BY RECENT ORGANIZATION CHANGES

W. W. S.

24/2/45

Comm Sub Com

Independent Sub Commission will communicate
to C.C. through the Executive Commission

Please comply

MS 24/2

from
MS 24/2

(See over)

JLH/epc

1.

In reply
refer to: R.129.1.CS

Subject : Radio Telephone Service U.K.- Italy.

To : Chief of Staff

At 16 is suggested reply to 14, for approval and signature by the Chief Commissioner.

Tel: 489081
Ext: 400

4th January, 1945

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

2.

S.O. to C.C.

Reply to AFHQ letter (passed with blue x)
Submitted for signature of C.C.

Stallard
5/1/45.

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Communications Sec ³

Ref 1 - returned signed for deposit.

Stallard
for COT

6.1.45

JUNE 1 1945

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SVC MSG PASSED THIS DATE

FROM: WALTER G THOMPSON
TO : MR. MARTINATO

IN CONNECTION WITH RATE PROPOSAL I LEFT WITH YOU WHEN I WAS IN ITALY LAST FALL. COULD YOU ADVISE ME AT THIS TIME OF YOUR CONCURRENCE WITH THE NEW RATE PLAN. IT IS OUR THOUGHT THAT THE NEW RATES WOULD NOT BE MADE EFFECTIVE UNTIL AFTER FULL SERVICE IS RESTORED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN. HOWEVER WE WOULD LIKE YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE PLAN AND WE CAN AGREE LATER UPON AN EFFECTIVE DATE. FOR YOUR INFORMATION MOST OF THE OTHER COUNTRIES IN EUROPE WITH WHICH WE HAVE DIRECT CIRCULARS HAVE ACCEPTED THIS PLAN WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY REPLY. REGARDS

Spoke to Mr. Thompson by phone 22/6
He cannot open till 7/1 due to FCC - no info on restrictions -

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File in NY Rome
telephone file *W*

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TO: MR. W. G. THOMPSON

AUTHORITY NOW GRANTED OPENING ROME-NEW YORK
TELEPHONE SERVICE TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES IN COMPASSIONATE
CASES STOP PROPOSE APPLYING 50% REDUCTION OF PRESENT TRANS-
ATLANTIC RATE THIS TYPE TRAFFIC STOP SUNDAY RATE TO BE SAME
AS WEEKDAY THAT IS TWELVE DOLLARS FOR THREE MINUTES STOP
THIS TYPE CALL WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES STOP DO YOU
CONCUR.

late?

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File Rom NY Telephone
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Communications Sub-Commission

HHS/epc

R.129.105.08

7th June, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Circuit Rome - U.S.A.
Use by U.S. Personnel.

TO: A.F.H.Q.
Att: G-5 Section, AFC 512, U.S. Army

1. Reference is made to your letter of 30th May, 1945
file G-5 311.23-1.

2. This letter has been discussed with Mr. Williams
Regional Director of the A.R.C. in Rome who stated that in
order for A.R.C. to undertake vetting of compassionate cases
the A.R.C. delegate at A.F.H.Q. should receive a directive
from A.F.H.Q. to undertake the work. The A.R.C. appears to
be the only organization competent to determine compassionate
cases and in view of the morale value of such telephone calls
it is felt that no serious objection should exist to such a
directive being issued to and agreed to by the A.R.C. However
it is pointed out that it does entail the A.R.C. deciding who
will be afforded a facility which will be highly prized and
this onus would be removed if use of service were opened to
all.

3. In view of the cessation of hostilities in Europe
it is felt that opening of service to all users, (including
members of the Armed Forces) would not involve any threat to
military security. Information has been received at this Hqrs.
to the effect that Radio-Telephone service between the U.S.,
Switzerland, Spain and Portugal will be opened to all users
during June and that it is expected that similar authorization
will be granted for the U.S. - U.K. circuit to include members
of the Armed Forces.

4. Another factor in favor of opening service to all
users is that such relaxation of restrictions would increase
traffic to such an extent that rates could be reduced to half
the present ones. This would benefit members of the Armed
Forces to whom it would be proposed to afford priority immed-
iately after official and Press calls.

see 1 part 2
15 part 2

R.129. .03

7th June, 1945 Continued.

5. In case authority is granted to open service to all users it is proposed that censorship regulations would be as per Appendix "A".

6. However, in the event that it is still considered necessary to limit extension of service to compassionate cases there are inclosed:

- a. Proposed censorship and security plan for Forces Service (Appendix "B")
- b. Proposed routine covering authorization for and making of calls (Appendix "C"). This routine to be transmitted to A.R.C. to-gether with directive for its implementation.

7. Request this HQrs. be informed as to decision so that arrangements can be made for initiation of service. It is also requested that similar notification be given to U.S. Office of Censorship.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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

3 Incls:
Incl : 1. Appendix "A"
Incl : 2. Appendix "B"
Incl : 3. Appendix "C"

Copy to: Signal Officer, R.A.A.C.
Civil Censorship Group

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APPENDIX "A"

MEMORANDUM:

Subject: Proposed Radio-Telephone Censorship Regulations
for the General Public.

1. Service to be limited to calls between those parts
of Italy for which service is authorized and the U.S. and U.S.
Possessions and Territories.

2. Calls will be limited to:

- a. Personal and family matters.
- b. Business calls of a non-transactional nature.

3. Forbidden Subjects:

Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls
include: movements or locations of ships, troops or aircraft;
positions of airfields, guns or service establishments; details
of operations, arms munitions, explosives, casualties, damage
to any part of the Armed Forces of the United Nations, or to
any transportation; details of any defense organization; mention
of people arrested or interned; mentions of movements of United
Nations government or service officials or agents; confirmation of
official telegraph, cable or radio messages.

4. Languages: English, Italian, French, Spanish, and
Portuguese may be used subject to the availability of language
censors.

5. All calls will be monitored by Civil Censorship
Personnel who will interrupt or terminate any conversations
which violate these regulations.

APPENDIX "B"

MEMORANDUM:

Subject: Proposed Censorship Regulations for Armed Forces Calls.

1. All calls of this nature must be approved by American Red Cross officials as notified by A.R.C. Hqrs. to Communications Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

2. All conversations will be limited to personal and family matters. Discussion of matters of a military nature will not be permitted.

3. Languages: English, Italian, French, Spanish, and Portuguese may be used subject to the availability of the language censors.

4. Members of the Armed Forces will be forbidden to mention their unit location overseas.

5. Forbidden Subjects: Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls include: movements or location of ships, troops, or aircraft; positions of airfields, guns or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the Armed Forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation; details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations government or service officials or agents; confirmation or an official telegraph, cable or radio messages.

6. All calls will be monitored by Civil Censorship Group military personnel who will interrupt or terminate any conversations which violate these regulations.

7. Incoming calls to members of the Armed Forces will not be accepted.

8. The censorship regulations will be read by all persons concerned and a certificate signed that the regulations had been read and thoroughly understood.

APPENDIX "C"

Members of the Armed Forces will be permitted to make Telephone Calls to the United States from Rome under the following conditions:

a. Calls will be limited to compassionate cases of the U.S. Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard). This does not include civilian technical advisers attached to the Armed Forces.

b. Authority for determination of compassionate cases has been granted by A.F.R.C. to the American Red Cross, which in turn may delegate such authority. The A.R.C. will furnish a list of such authorized delegates together with samples of signatures to the Communications Sub-Commission, Hqs. Allied Commission. For each Compassionate case a form similar to the attached form "A" will be completed and signed by the Field Director or his authorized delegate and given to the individual concerned. Due to technical difficulties calls can be made only from Rome. This does not preclude Field Directors outside Rome from furnishing complete authorization forms to individuals, considered as compassionate cases, who may be proceeding to Rome in the immediate future, however it is recommended that all applications be cleared thru' the Rome office for traffic control purposes.

c. Persons holding authorization will present the signed form to the International Recording Operator in Room 43 A, P.R.O. Building Via Lazio 23. Rome twenty four hours in advance of the date the desired call is to be made. A report charge of \$ 2.50 (250 Lire at present rate of exchange) will be deposited with the recording operator at the time of booking. The International recording operator will accept booking daily from 1400 hours to 1745 hours.

d. The International Recording Operator will notify the subscriber at the time of booking if the call can be accepted on the desired date, and the serial number of the call. Numerical sequence of serial numbers of calls does not indicate priority of call. This is governed by the availability of long distance telephone circuits in U.S.

e. Should the caller desire to withdraw his or her application if a particular call cannot be placed on the date specified because of busy circuits, or other technical difficulties the call will be carried over to the following day or a later date if so desired or refund of \$ 2.50 (250 Lire at present rate of exchange) will be made, provided there is no report charge by U.S. operator.

f. Daily calling time will be from 1535 to 1740 hours Rome time, (0935 - 1140 New York time). All persons who have had

APPENDIX "C" Continued

their calls accepted by the International recording operator will be present at the above mentioned time in Room 43 A. P.R.O. Building, Via 23 Marzo.

g. After proper identification to the censorship group, each person, before calling will, sign a certificate stating that he or she has read and fully understood the censorship regulations.

h. The International Recording operator will keep close liaison with the designated Red Cross officials as to the number of estimated calls that can be accepted the following day.

i. Government and Press calls will have priority over all compassionate calls.

j. Each call will be limited to three minutes duration and ~~commercial rates~~ commercial rates for members of the Armed Forces granted A.R.C. authorisation have been established as follows:

<u>Week Days</u>	<u>Sundays</u>	<u>Zone 1.</u>
\$ <u>24:00</u>	\$ <u>18:00</u>	Conn. Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Mass., New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North and South Carolina, Penn. Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.
\$ <u>26:25</u>	\$ <u>19:50</u>	Zone 2. Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee and Wisconsin.
\$ <u>28:50</u>	\$ <u>21:00</u>	Zone 3. Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wyoming.
\$ <u>30:75</u>	\$ <u>22:50</u>	Zone 4. Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington.

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FORM " A "

SUBJECT: Telephone Calls

TO: International Recording Operator, Room 43A
P.R.O., Building, Via 23 Marzo, Rome.

1.
Name Grade
.....
Serial Number Organization

has been interviewed by the undersigned and is authorized
to make a telephone call on to:
date

a. Name of called party in U.S.

b. Address _____
Street

_____ City State

c. Telephone Number _____

Signed.....

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Communications
*1653*ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/thh

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G-5 311.23-1

30 May 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Circuit Rome-USA - Use by
U.S. personnel.TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.*see 96*

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2. The suggestion that the Rome-USA radio telephone be made available for use by members of the U.S. Forces has been approved in principle for personal calls in compassionate cases which have been cleared by the American Red Cross.

3. With regard to times during which the messages may be sent signals state that they understand that the present service is not being fully used between 1515Z and 1720Z hrs and that spare time within these timings could be utilized for the Forces calls. If however extra time is wanted signals advise that, because of use of part of the equipment by OWI, it would only be possible to arrange this between the hours of 0100Z and 0500Z.

4. It is requested that you will submit for approval a censorship and security plan for the Forces service. It is suggested this should be along similar lines to the one in force for the existing service. It is also requested that you will forward details as to exactly to whom and where prospective caller should report.

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

called
Jackman
3/15
129.96 CS
15 April
21 March 1945
Compassionate
cases
limited
Col. Michael
STATED THAT THIS
WAS INSERTED AT
THE SPECIFIC
INSISTENCE OF
AFUSA G-1

Director	
D/Director	
Chief, Comcoms	
Chief, Posts	
H. Q. Coms O	
Asst. Chief, Posts	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	
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HEADQUARTERS
Guilman
Lt. Col. 30 MAY 1945
T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.*7832*

CLASS.	<i>96</i>
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Date	31 MAY 1945

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


T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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MOST URGENT.

Rome 29th May 1945.

SUBJECT: Radio-telephone Service with U.S.

The Italcable sent us the letter (copy of which is hereby enclosed), in which they pointed out that the reactivation of the radio telephone service with US whilst it is to be considered a noteworthy fact, did not practically bring any traffic, because during three months of operation there were only 13 conversations in both ways.

Given the above, having in view the good functioning of the service having in view the possibilities of same considering that the cessation of the hostilities in all the Italian territory, we ask you whether it would not be better to open the service to the paying public, considering the evident general advantage appertained by such concession.

Thanks in anticipation for any steps you will, no doubt, take on the matter.

US of S

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RADIO-TELEPHONE SERVICE WITH USA

Since the hostilities have ended in Europe, and in order to normalize the internal and international services of communications, we deem now opportune and fully justified, to reduce, or eliminate the restrictions in force for the use of the telephone radio-link with USA.

Those restrictions make actually almost superfluous such radio link, whilst it should represent a very important means of communication for the contacts between the two Countries, and which is very expensive for our Company.

In fact, during the first three months of operation there have been only 13 conversations in both ways, for a total amount of 187 minutes.

The American Company to which we are linked up for this service, the American Telegraph and Telephone Co. of New York, informed us that steps are being taken there in order to have the restrictions revoked, and urged us to do the same here.

Will you please take steps at the Allied Authorities, pointing out that it would be convenient to grant to the public larger possibilities of using the telephone service between Italy and US.

Yours truly

Italcable.

7299

Chief Commission - Ellery Stoue MAY 28 RECD
Rome

It appears appropriate at this time
to remove restrictions on overseas telephone
service between this country and Italy
would appreciate it if you could
secure approval on your side for such
a step. I am sending Martini
a similar message

W. G. THOMPSON

(transmitted 4.10 (P.M.) Rome Time of receipt
K. C.)

May 26th

- Springfield -
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AZIENDA TELEFONI STATO
ASSOCIATOZIONE RADIO TELEFONICA
(1922-1923)



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MINISTERO POSTE E TELECOMUNICAZIONISOTTOSGREGARIATO DI STATO
SEGRETERIA

Roma, 29 maggio 1945

Prot. N°

5/13/32469

Risposta al foglio N.

del

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Posts and Telecommunications
Sub-CommissionROMA

Allegati

OGGETTO: Servizio radiotelefonico con
gli Stati Uniti d'America.-

La Italcable ci trasmette la lettera allegata in copia con la quale pone in rilievo che la riattivazione avvenuta del servizio radio-telefonico con gli Stati Uniti d'America, mentre ha costituito in teoria un fatto degno di nota, non ha portato in pratica traffico alcuno in quanto in ben tre mesi di esercizio si sono svolti soltanto 13 conversazioni nei due sensi.

Premesso quanto sopra;
premesso il buon funzionamento del servizio;
premesso le possibilità dello stesso e,
premesso il cessato stato di guerra nel territorio italiano, chiediamo a coteata Commissione se non sarebbe il caso di aprire il servizio anche al pubblico pagante con l'ovvio vantaggio collettivo che da tale concessione deriverebbe.

Di quanto potrete disporre al riguardo, vi porgiamo le nostre più vive anticipate grazie.

Director	
Chief of Telecommunications	
Chief of Posts	
Chief of Communications	
Chief of Postal Affairs	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	

IL SOTTOSGREGARIO DI STATO
(M. Fano)

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Risposta al foglio N.
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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Posts and Telecommunications
Sub-Commission

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Chief of Bureau
Chief of Telecommunications
Chief of Postal
Chief of Communications
Chief of Postal
Chief of Shipping
Chief of Clerk

IL SOTTOSCRITTARIO DI STATO
(M. Fano)

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Date 30 MAR 1945

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I T A L C A B L E

Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici

Direzione Generale

Reparto: Segreteria

Rif. : Ris. n. 149

Roma, 28 Maggio 1945

Via Calabria 46-48

On.le Ministero delle Poste e
Telecomunicazioni
Gabinetto di S.E. il
Sottosegretario di Stato

R O M A

Servizio radiotelefonico con gli Stati Uniti d'America.

In considerazione della fine delle ostilità in Europa e in armonia con la tendenza a normalizzare i servizi di comunicazione interni ed internazionali, si ritiene che sia ora opportuno e giustificato di ridurre, se non addirittura eliminare, le restrizioni vigenti per l'uso del radiocollegamento telefonico con gli Stati Uniti.

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Con la massima osservanza.

ITALCABLE

Il Commissario Direttore Generale
F.to Martinato

1007

29 May 1945

To: Col. Scudder, Comms S/C

The attached is further
on the subject of lifting res-
tricting on the trans-atlantic
telephone service.


L.W.S.

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COPY

ITALCABLE

Il Commissario

Roma, 28/5/1945
Via Calabria 46-48

RISS. 60

Sir,

I have received a note from Mr. Thompson about present restrictions of trans-atlantic telephone service and he informs me of having addressed a similar note to you.

While I am taking the matter up with the Italian Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, I hasten to place myself at your disposal for anything you might desire me to do on the subject.

Please accept my respectful regards.

Sincerely yours

/s/ Carlo E. Martineto

Admiral ELLERY STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
ROME

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

103
JLH/ma

R.129.103.05

15th May 1945.

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone calls to U.S.
TO : Civil Censorship Group.

Please authorise the following U.S. officials to
make or receive radio - telephone calls with U.S.

Mr. James A. Linen. O.W.I.

(Tel. 489171 Ext. 24).

or in his absence,

Dr. C. R. Morey.

Mr. O. W. Riegel.

Formal permission of AFHQ is being asked. but in
the meantime please accept this as authority.

J. L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Mr. James A. Linen.
c/o P.W.B., Rome.

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Done

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OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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May 14, 1945

Director
Communications Sub-Commission
Allied Commission
Rome, Italy

Dear Sir:

We have been advised by New York that arrangements have been made for weekly clear telephone communications with us each week. I would like to apply for the necessary clearance to receive these telephone calls.

In the event that I cannot be here to receive a call, I should also like to name two alternatives: Dr. C. R. Meroy, Acting Cultural Attache; and Mr. O. W. Riegel, Deputy Director on Policy.

Any cooperation you are able to give us will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

James A. Linen
James A. Linen
Special Assistant to Director

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

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file on culture
for NCHM calls.*

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Date 14 MAY 1945

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Rome, April 18th. 1945. 101

To: Headquarters Allied Commission.
 Communications Sub-Commission.
R o m e APO.394.

N° 67

Exp. 655.1945"

Dear Sirs,

I have the honour to acknowledge
 receipt of your communication R.129.93.CS, dated
 April 10th., of whose content I have taken due
 note.

With meny thanks

Dear Sirs

Very truly yours

Mario L. Garza
 Mexican Chargé d'Affaires.

Mr

Director	
Deputy Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
H Q. Coms O.	
Asst Chief Postal	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	
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ITALCABLE

SERVIZI CARLOGRAFICI RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOTELEFONICI

SOCIETA PER AZIONI CAPITALE L. 175.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

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Réparto Commerciale TTT 4/15

Rome, April 30th 1945

Subject: RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE TO NEW-YORK.

Mr. S. M. Koffler
U.S. Representative of the
"Voice of America" in Italy,
62, Via Vittorio Veneto - Room 461

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copy to : ALLIED COMMISSION
Communications Sub-Commission,
R O M E.

In going through our records, we find that the terms for the services of the "Voice of America" we are carrying out for your organisation, have not been hitherto settled.

On the subject, we beg to confirm our letter No.3005 of the 16th instant, and would ask you to favour us your agreement to the conditions set forth in our previous letter No.2426 of April 3rd. A copy of each of the aforesaid letters is herewith attached.

Yours very truly,

ITALCABLE
ROMA
[Signature]
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Deputy Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
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Reparto Commerciale TTT 4/15
No.2426

Rome, April 3rd 1945

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Subject: RADIOTELEPHONE SERVICE TO NEW-YORK

Mr. S.M.Koffler
U.S.Representative of the
"Voice of America" in Italy,

R O M E.

Dear Sir,

Following our conversation at this office; I have the pleasure to confirm hereby that this Company is prepared to render to your office the following services:

- One radio-telephone transmission to New York (one way), using a 15 KW radio-transmitter, your modulation being conveyed by your line into our Central Office, via del Moretto 13.

15 minutes daily, Sundays excepted.

Rate for 15 minute service Lire 1800,00 (eighteen hundred)

- One radio-telephone connection with New York (two way), using a 15 KW radio-transmitter and a suitable receiver, your modulation and receiving lines being brought by you into our Central Office, via del Moretto 13.

15 minutes three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday).

Rate for 15 minut service Lire 2400,00 (Twentyfour hundred)

It is pointed out that last figure represents 20% of the present charge for an equivalent radio-telephone call from this Country to New York. This Company must however reserve itself the right to alter the above quotation, should conditions demanding such revision arise, with a week's notice.

The above equipment is reserved for your services if and until will not be required for P.W.B.'s use. Under such circumstances, we would suggest that you take the matter up with Mr. King in order to obtain that the equipment in question be left free for your services. It is also understood that the operation at New York will be carried out at your own expense and care.

Awaiting your confirmation, I remain, with kind regards,

Yours very truly

ITALCABLE

Il Commissario-Direttore Generale
sgd. C.E.Martinato

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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CCG/117-5

31 March 1945

SUBJECT: Government Traffic, Cable and Radio.

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff,
G-2 (CC), Allied Force Headquarters,
APO 512, U. S. Army.

Reference CSB 311-9/4 of 20 October 1944. Paragraph two thereof places the responsibility for authenticating government messages on the commercial carriers. It is suggested, however, that this is properly a function of Civil Censorship and that the directive in question should be amended accordingly. Civil Censorship will not delay official United States and United Kingdom government messages in carrying out this function, but will permit the carriers to expedite such traffic and submit copies for post-transmission authenticity check.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

J. L. Henderson

J. L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

1st Ind.

GPC/ccs

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2 (CC),
APO 512, U. S. Army. 17 April 1945

To: Hq AC, APO 394, U. S. Army (Att: Dir, Communications Sub-Commission).

1. Letter referred to in basic communication is hereby amended. Civil Censorship Group (Italy) will exercise sole authority in the matter of verifying the authenticity of these messages.

2. Carriers are being notified of this amendment by Combined Signal Board.

For the A C of S, G-2:

*Send
copy to
Civil
Censorship*

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Thomas H. Finn
THOMAS H. FINN,
Lt Col, GSC,
G-2 (CC) Sec.

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ITALCABLE
Reparto Commerciale TTT 4/15
No.3005

Rome, April 16th 1945

Subject: RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE TO NEW YORK

Mr. S.M.Koffler
U.S.Representative of the
"Voice of America" in Italy,

R O M E.

Dear Sir,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, and to assure you that the matter has been duly attended to.

We seize the opportunity for reminding you that we are still awaiting a reply to our letter No.2426 of the 3rd inst., quoting our conditions for the carrying out of the known service.

With a view to have this matter settled, your early confirmation to the said letter, will be very much appreciated.

Yours very truly

ITAL CABLE

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TO : Headquarters Allied Commission AFO 394
(Attn. Director, Communications Sub-Commission)

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2. Mr. Tompkins gave numerous reasons why the Red Cross was not enthusiastic about sponsoring toll calls to the states. Among other things he stated the Red Cross did not want to be the screening agency for security reasons; cables to the states are free, the Red Cross could not pay for the calls and had no desire to sponsor a service where it was necessary for the officers or E/M would have to pay; being able to only use the booth in Rome.

3. In other words the Red Cross at this time is not in favor of going along with the idea.

JOHN A. BRIDGEMAN
Major, A.U.S.
Communications Officer.

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Date **17 APR 1945**

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CONSOLATO GENERALE
DELLA REPUBBLICA DI POLONIA
A ROMA

Nr 431/a/22

SUBJECT: Redlo-Telephone Italy-
W sprawie United States
In oggetto

RZYM. dnia 17 April 1945

ROMA

via di Villa Albani 14-16

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Reference letter Communications Sub-Commission

R.129.93.CS - the Polish Consulate General informs

that its present address is as follows:

via di Villa Albani 14-16 - Rome.

THE POLISH CONSUL GENERAL

T. Wierusz Kowalski

To Communications Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission

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Director
V/Director
Chief Telecoms

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To Communications Sub-Commission
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Director	
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Censorship	
Chief Clerk	<i>DATE</i>

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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R.129.96.ES

15th April 1945.

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Circuit Rome - U.S.A.

RE : G-5. A.F.H.Q.

1. An informal report has reached this Sub-Commission that the Radio telephone circuit London - U.S.A. is available for use by members of the Armed Forces under certain conditions.

2. Present restrictions on the use of the Radio telephone circuit Rome - U.S.A. result in very little traffic being carried and it is therefore recommended that investigation be made as to conditions under which London - U.S.A. radio telephone circuit may be used by members of the Armed Forces. If these conditions are found to be more liberal than those prevailing for the Rome - U.S.A. circuit perhaps consideration could be given to applying similar regulations here.

3. A suggested employment of the Rome - U.S.A. circuit would be by permitting members of the Armed Forces to make personal calls in compassionate cases. Such cases to be vetted by the American Red Cross and only requests approved by that organization to be considered.

4. It is hoped that some way may be found to utilise to a greater extent the facilities which exist and it is thought that the proposal in para 3 would be a good method.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J.L. HENDRICKS,
Colonel,
Director.

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QUESTIONS

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III. REPORT CHARGE.

A report charge as set forth in paragraph IV (d) below will be made when, after the called station shall be reached, a call for a particular person cannot be completed due to circumstances beyond the control of the parties hereto, such as the called or calling party not being available or refusing to talk. The amount of the report charge is the same throughout the twenty-four hours and on all days of the week.

IV. RATES.

The rates for the service shall be the basic rate as set forth in paragraph (a) below, plus the zone rate in the United States, if any, as set forth in paragraph (b) below, and the zone rate in Italy, if any, as set forth in paragraph (c) below, where such zone rates are applicable.

(a) Basic Rates.

Rates between:

Zone 1 United States which includes:	Zone A Italy and which includes:	Initial Three Minutes		Each Additional Minute or Fraction Thereof	
		United States to Italy		Italy to United States	
Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia	All of	Weekdays	\$24.00	8.00	
		Nights &			
		Sundays	18.00	6.00	
	Italy	Weekdays	2400 Lire	800 Lire	
		Nights &			
		Sundays	1800 Lire	600 Lire	

(b) Zone Rates in the United States

Additional zones in the United States outside of Zone 1 and the rates applicable thereto:

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ZONE 2

Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois,
Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky,
Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota,
Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio,
Tennessee, and Wisconsin

Weekdays	\$ 2.25	75
Nights &		
Sundays	1.50	50

ZONE 3

Colorado, Kansas, Montana,
Nebraska, New Mexico, North
Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota,
Texas and Wyoming

Weekdays	4.50	1.50
Nights &		
Sundays	3.00	1.00

ZONE 4

Arizona, California,
Idaho, Nevada, Oregon,
Utah, and Washington

Weekdays	6.75	2.25
Nights &		
Sundays	4.50	1.50

(c) Zone Rates in Italy

Additional zones in Italy outside of Zone A and the
rates applicable thereto:

None

(d) Report Charges

The report charge for calls originating in the
United States is 2.50 and for calls originating in Italy
is 48 Lire.

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Zone 1 United States which includes:	Zone A Italy and which includes:	Initial Three Minutes		Each Additional Minute or Fraction Thereof	
		United States to Italy		Italy to United States	
Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia	All of Italy	Weekdays	\$24.00	8.00	
		Nights &			
		Sundays	18.00	6.00	
		Weekdays		2400 Lire	800 Lire
		Nights &			
		Sundays		1800 Lire	600 Lire

(b) Zone Rates in the United States

Additional zones in the United States outside of Zone 1 and the rates applicable thereto:

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ZONE 2

Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois,
 Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky,
 Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota,
 Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio,
 Tennessee, and Wisconsin

Weekdays	\$ 2.25	75
Nights & Sundays	1.50	50

ZONE 3

Colorado, Kansas, Montana,
 Nebraska, New Mexico, North
 Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota,
 Texas and Wyoming

Weekdays	4.50	1.50
Nights & Sundays	3.00	1.00

ZONE 4

Arizona, California,
 Idaho, Nevada, Oregon,
 Utah, and Washington

Weekdays	6.75	2.25
Nights & Sundays	4.50	1.50

(c) Zone Rates in Italy

Additional zones in Italy outside of Zone A and the
 rates applicable thereto:

None

(d) Report Charges

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(a) Basic Rates.

Rates between:

Zone 1 United States <u>which includes:</u>	Zone A Italy <u>and which includes:</u>	Initial Three Minutes	Each Additional Minute or Fraction Thereof
		<u>United States to Italy</u>	
Connecticut, Delaware		Weekdays	\$24.00 8.00
District of Columbia,	All	Nights &	
Florida, Georgia, Maine,		Sundays	18.00 6.00
Maryland, Massachusetts,	of		
New Hampshire, New			<u>Italy to United States</u>
Jersey, New York, North	Italy	Weekdays	2400 Lire 800 Lire
Carolina, Pennsylvania,		Nights &	
Rhode Island, South		Sundays	1800 Lire 600 Lire
Carolina, Vermont			
Virginia, and West			
Virginia			

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(b) Zone Rates in the United States

Additional zones in the United States outside of Zone 1 and the rates applicable thereto:

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(a) Basic Rates.

Rates between:

Zone 1 United States which includes:	Zone A Italy and which includes:	Initial Three Minutes	Each Additional Minute or Frac- tion Thereof
Connecticut, Delaware District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont Virginia, and West Virginia	All of Italy	Weekdays 24.00 Nights & Sundays 18.00	United States to Italy 8.00 6.00
			Italy to United States 2400 Lire 800 Lire 1800 Lire 600 Lire

(b) Zone Rates in the United States

Additional zones in the United States outside of
Zone 1 and the rates applicable thereto:

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ZONE 2

Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois,
Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky,
Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota,
Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio,
Tennessee, and Wisconsin

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Weekdays 2.25 75
Nights &
Sundays 1.50 50

ZONE 3

Colorado, Kansas, Montana,
Nebraska, New Mexico, North
Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota,
Texas and Wyoming

Weekdays 4.50 1.50
Nights &
Sundays 3.00 1.00

ZONE 4

Arizona, California,
Idaho, Nevada, Oregon,
Utah, and Washington

Weekdays 6.75 2.25
Nights &
Sundays 4.50 1.50

(c) Zone Rates in Italy

Additional zones in Italy outside of Zone A and the
rates applicable thereto:

None

(d) Report Charges

The report charge for calls originating in the
United States is 2.50 and for calls originating in Italy
is 48 Lire.

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IV. RATES.

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Rates between:

Zone 1 United States which includes:	Zone A Italy and which includes:	Initial Three Minutes		Each Additional Minute or Fraction Thereof	
		Minutes		United States to Italy	
Connecticut, Delaware District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont Virginia, and West Virginia	All of Italy	Weekdays	\$24.00	8.00	
		Nights & Sundays	18.00	6.00	
		<u>Italy to United States</u>			
		Weekdays	2400 Lire	800 Lire	
		Nights & Sundays	1800 Lire	600 Lire	

(b) Zone Rates in the United States

Additional zones in the United States outside of
Zone 1 and the rates applicable thereto:

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ZONE 2

Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois,
Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky,
Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota,
Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio,
Tennessee, and Wisconsin

Weekdays 2.25 75
Nights &
Sundays 1.50 50

ZONE 3

Colorado, Kansas, Montana,
Nebraska, New Mexico, North
Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota,
Texas and Wyoming

Weekdays 4.50 1.50
Nights &
Sundays 3.00 1.00

ZONE 4

Arizona, California,
Idaho, Nevada, Oregon,
Utah, and Washington

Weekdays 6.75 2.25
Nights &
Sundays 4.50 1.50

(c) Zone Rates in Italy

Additional zones in Italy outside of Zone A and the
rates applicable thereto:

None

(d) Report Charges

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United States is 2.50 and for calls originating in Italy
is 48 Lire.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 APC 394
 Communications Sub-Commission

HHS/epc

11th April, 1945

R.129.94.05

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Circuit - Rome - United States

To: Zone Commissioner, Naples
 Att: Major John A. Bridgeman, Telecomms Officer.

1. Will you please get in touch with Mr. Tompkins of the American Red Cross, Via Roma, Naples, in connection with the use of the Radio-Telephone Circuit now in operation between Rome and the U.S.A.

2. At the present time this circuit is not being used to anything like capacity and it seems a shame that a facility such as this should not be employed more often. The only reason for its non use is the severity of the restrictions on its employment. Inclosed are present regulations.

3. You will note that A.R.C. representatives may use the circuit and compassionate inquiries from one Red Cross representative to another are considered as official business. Since inauguration of service no calls have been made by the A.R.C. which may be due to the fact that Red Cross representatives are not fully conversant with the facilities open to them, but the cost plus the necessity of making all calls from the booth in Rome would tend to keep calls of this nature down in any case.

4. It is understood that under certain circumstances (which are not known by us) members of the U.S. forces in Great Britain are permitted to use the Radio circuit from London to the U.S.A. It is thought that, if initiated by the A.R.C., a request for permission for members of the U.S. forces to use the Rome - U.S. circuit might receive favourable action from A.F.H.Q. Such calls would have to be limited in number, as if personal calls were permitted to all and sundry the demand would be overwhelming. It is therefore suggested that the A.R.C. in its request state that it is prepared to assume the responsibility for vetting requests for calls and only approve requests in compassionate cases where the Red Cross would normally send one of their inquiry telegrams.

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5. Inclosed is a copy of the existing tariff which, however, in the event of a reasonable increase in traffic would, in all probability, be reduced considerably. It is felt that the necessary increase in traffic would result from admission of calls as mentioned above.

6. If the A.R.C. is in favor of such action, it is suggested that a request be made to this Hqrs. attention of this Sub-Commission and we will then take up the question with A.F.H.Q.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

2 Incls:
Incl 1. Regulations and amendments
Incl 2. Tariff

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SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Circuit - Rome - U.S.

TO: Zone Commissioner, Naples
Att: Major John A. Bridgeman, Telecomms Officer

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Incls - #1 Regulations and amendments

#2 Sample -

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFG 394
Communications Sub-Commission

HL/coc

10th April, 1945

R.129.95.03

SUBJECT: Radio-Telephone Italy - United States

TO:

1. Reference letter Communications Sub-Commission
R.129.95.03 dated 1st March, 1945, effective April 10th, 1945
the following changes in time will be noted:

- a. Service for subscribers on approved list will
be available from 1430 G to 1745 G hours daily.
- b. Booking will be accepted from 1400 G to 1300 G
hours daily.

2. This letter supersedes all previous amendments.

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

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Radio Telephone
Circuit ^{US}
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Ad. London

1 Attached herewith schedule of OWS requirements.
Note that from 1230 Gmt until 1630 Gmt the telephone transmitter is available for an additional increase of 1 hour if traffic on the circuit warrants at a later date.

Home Gmt	Home 'B' time	Ny. time
1230	2130 pm	8:30 am
1630	6:30 pm	12:30 pm

2. I believe that on 25th April US is advancing their time one hour, will check further.

3. As a matter of further info on GI calls. At the present time there is a similar telephone circuit for GI's from UK to US.

4. Herin (AFHQ) will confirm Moscow frequencies for 24 hour operation (he has to check about). Moscow frequencies are cleared in one direction 7269 by if any other directions other than east are needed Herin and AFHQ could clear without any objections on their part.

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Radio Section
4 April 1945

SUBJECT: Schedule of "Hope" and "Relic" transmitters
TO: Mr. Martinado, Italcable

1. Attached is a schedule of the time being used on the above transmitters by PWB and radiophoto as of the date operation of these transmitters was turned over to Italcable. It is our understanding that future schedules will be made out by you and copies sent to this office.

WILLIAM C. ELLIS
Major Signal Corps
Chief Radio Engineer PWB

cc: Lt. Leet, A.C.

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SCHEDULE OF TRANSMISSIONS
 "HOPE" AND "RELIC"
 2 APRIL 1945

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"HOPE"

GMT TIME	SERVICE	FREQUENCY	ANTENNA
0410-0430	PWB Broadcast	6025	Austria
0455-0500	PWB Broadcast	6025	N. Italy
0600-0630	Jo-burg radiophoto	17820	Joburg rhombic
0635-0740	London radiophoto	9610	London rhombic
0745-0815	Chuncking radiophoto	17820	Chuncking rhombic
0820-0850	Cairo radiophoto	12670	Cairo rhombic
0925-0955	Stockholm radiophoto	17820	Doublet
1000-1045	New York radiophoto	12670	N.Y. rhombic
1100-1230	PWB Broadcast	6025	N. Italy
1630-1730	PWB Broadcast	6025	N. Italy
1735-1755	PWB Broadcast	6025	Austria
1800-1950	PWB Broadcast	6025	N. Italy
1955-2015	PWB Broadcast	6025	Austria
2020-2200	PWB Broadcast	6025	N. Italy

Sundays only

0925-0955 Stockholm radiophoto CANCELLED

"RELIC"

0850-0920	Casablanca radiophoto	9610	Algiers rhombic
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31st March 1945.

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Referring to the change in the time table, as from the 2nd of April, for the radio-telephone service with New York, we suggest, also on behalf of the Azienda di Stato per i Servizi Telefonici, that the time table for the ~~the~~ bookings of conversations be made, beginning on the same date, from 14 to 19 hours.

Kindly let us have your urgent approval.

Italcable.
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COMMUNICATIONS*Italcable*COMPAGNIA ITALIANA DEI CAVI TELEGRAFICI SOTTOMARINI
Sede in ROMASERVIZI CABLE, RADIO E RADIOLETTERE
CAPITALE 1.000.000.000
R. 100000000

TELEGRAMMA-ESPRESSO DI SERVIZIO

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DESTINATARIO	DESTINAZIONE	DATA			
Commissione Alleata - Sottocommissione per le Telecomunicazioni	R O M A	GIORNO 31	MESE Marzo	ANNO 1945	ORE E MINUTI

TESTO:

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Pregiamo cortese urgente benestare.

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Date

Rome, April 2nd 1945.

Núm. 55.

To: Headquarters Allied Commission.
Communications Sub-Commission.
R o m e APO 394.

Exp. 655.2"45"

Dear Sirs,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your communications R.129.51.CS, dated March 1st, CCG/11620-10, dated March 24 th and R.129. .CS, dated 31st, with relative appendixes, of whose contents I have taken due note.

The radio-telephone calls which might come for me from America would possibly be from the Embassy of the United States of Mexico at Washington, D.C., from the Mexican Consulate General at New York, or other Mexican Consulates in the U.S.A., or from the Mexican Fiscal Delegation at New York. Any calls I might want to make from here would be to the above-mentioned Government agencies in the United States.

I have the honour to be,

Dear Sirs,

Very truly yours

Mario F. Ruiz
Mexican Chargé d'Affaires.

Director	
D/Director	
Chief of Staff	
Chief of Post	
H. Q. Coms O	
Asst. Chief Post	
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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S.129.86.03

3rd April, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service Between United Kingdom
and Italy.

TO: A.F.H.Q.
Att: G-5

Reference your S.11.23-1 dated 27th March, 1945.

It is not desired to press the matter further.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Communications Sub-Commission HL/enc

R.129.36.CS

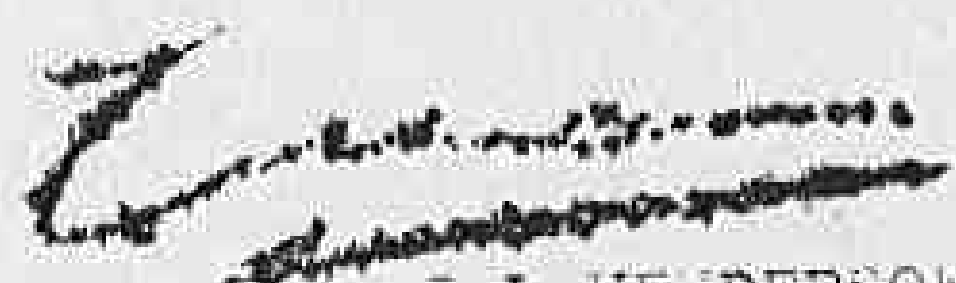
31st March, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio - Telephone Italy - United States

TO:

1. Reference letter Communications Sub-Commission
R.129.36.CS dated 1st March, 1945 the following changes in
time will be noted.

- a. Service for subscribers on approved list will
be available from 1715 B to 1920 B hours daily.
- b. Booking will be accepted from 1400 B to 1900 B
hours daily.



J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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SECRETCommunications ^{5/16}
₃₁₆ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 311.23-1

27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Radio telephone service between UK and Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Since receipt of your letter R/129/14/CS of 4 January the Office of the British Resident Minister have been in communication with the Foreign Office in order to obtain their views on the above proposed service. The Foreign Office, however, have stated that, although they consider such a service would be desirable, they do not wish to press the point in view of the objections raised to the service by the War Office. The Foreign Office also state that personal calls by troops or civilians are, in any case, not likely to be approved. The comment from G-1(B) this HQ is that such a service is, in their opinion, by no means a necessity.

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

D. S. JACKLING
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Colonel

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

D.S.J.
D. S. JACKLIN
Colonel

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SECRET

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Dear Scudder,

The Italiani propose to put this notice in the paper which seems OK to me & to which Maj. Buchanan is agreeable. Is it OK so far as you are concerned?

OK.

HWS

Jm

HWS
27/3

- Agree Maj. Buchanan - he said OK.

HWS
27/3Send Gully

Make copy for Maj. Buchanan then

File T29/CS

Done 28/3
HWS(Sent to ~~John~~ Sig. O., IARC with following note:

"A copy of a notice ~~is~~ being issued by the Italian Post Office Press is enclosed."

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File T.29.

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HVSJm
HVS
27/3

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File T.29.

COMUNICATO STAMPA

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Si ricorda che le comunicazioni telefoniche interurbane in partenza da Roma debbono venir chieste alla centrale interurbana dello Stato, formando il numero C4 per la Campania, Lucania, Puglia, Calabria, Sicilia e Sardegna nonché per i centri di Terni, Perugia, Aquila e relative estensioni. Per le altre località la comunicazione deve essere richiesta alla centrale interurbana della Teti formando il numero 01.

Il Comando Alleato ha fatto presente che, probabilmente per errore, qualche abbonato italiano ha richiesto al centralino Alleato comunicazioni interurbane, sorprendendo la buona fede dell'operatore, giacchè gli abbonati non sono autorizzati ad ottenere comunicazioni interurbane per qual-
la via.

Colui che si rende colpevole di tale abuso è passibile di denuncia ai Tribunali militari, in quanto compie cosa atta ad intralciare le operazioni militari. A prescindere dalle sanzioni che ne potranno derivare, si informa che agli utenti che commetteranno tale abuso verrà immediatamente distaccato l'apparecchio telefonico. Il distacco avrà carattere permanente.

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Communications

JB/KPM/jjjr

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

26 March 1945

G-5: 311.23-1

SUBJECT: Rome - New York Telephone Service.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference is made to your signal 2841 dated 3 March 45.

2. Permission is granted by the Combined Chiefs of Staff for the use of Rome-New York radio - telephone service by His Holiness the Pope and Cardinal Secretary of State.

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D/Director	
Chief of Coms	<i>hon</i>
Chief Postal	
H. Q. Coms O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Censorship	<i>sent 2/4</i>
Chief Clerk	

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

27 MAR 1945

Julius Byles
 JULIUS BYLES
 Major, F.A.

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For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

JB
JULIUS BYLES
Major, F.A.

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

22 March 1945

OGC/1103/ 977

SUBJECT: Rome - New York Radiotelephone Circuit
Incoming Press Calls.

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

1. Reference Ltr OGC/1162-7, above subject, Hq. AG, dtd 14 March 45.
2. Recommendation in para 3 of above letter that no incoming press calls other than Voicecasts or Newscasts to authorized press agencies be permitted and that this prohibition will exclude incoming press calls to officials on the Approval List of Radiotelephone Users is approved by this Headquarters.

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

THOMAS H. FINE,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
G-2 (CG) Section.

RHW/rjc

R. 129

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INCCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: FX 48891
 Date/Time of Origin: MAR 24 1127

Message Centre No: D/5958
 Date/Time Rec'd: MAR 24 1835
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE PHOEGTO: AGWAR FOR CCS FOR CCAC INFO AMSSO FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF AND HQ COMZONE
MAIN ETOUSA, ALCOM ROME

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(Ref our MAT 579 this is MAT 598) ?

Approval for His Holiness the POPE and his Cardinal Secretary of State use NEW
 YORK ROME radio telephone service is subject.

Further enquiries are being made regarding the availability of this service.
 Would appreciate early reply.

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 INFO A/PRESIDENT
 CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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22 MARCH 1945

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ARE BEING MADE ON AVAILABILITY OF NEW YORK

ROME RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE BY VATICAN PD

PANEN APHQ FOR PAGES FROM HQ ALCON SITE AGCME PANEN

PLEASE EXPEDITE ANSWER OUR TWO EIGHT FOUR ONE DATED THIRD MARCH

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COMMUNICATIONS S/C

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ITALCABLE

SERVIZI CARLOGRAFICI, RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOTELEFONICI

SOCIETA PER AZIONI - CAPITALE L. 1.000.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

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Rome, March 20th 1945

SUBJECT : Radiotelephone circuit Italy-U.S. of America

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission, Communications
Sub-Commission - APO 394 - ROME.

1. Through the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, we have received a copy of the rules covering the newly restored radiotelephone circuit between Italy and the United States of America, together with a copy of the persons authorized to exchange calls.

2. In going through said list, we find that none of the prelates of the Holy See appears among the authorized persons. It occurs to us to notice, however, that on the 3rd instant, Most-reverend Carroll, Archbishop of New York, now in Rome, was authorized to receive a call from Washington.

3. Under such circumstances, we beg you kindly to advise whether the aforesaid prelate, as well as eventual others, may regularly ask or receive calls from the States.

ITALCABLE

SERVIZI CARLOGRAFICI, RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOTELEFONICI
SOCIETA PER AZIONI
DIREZIONE GENERALE

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Asst. Chief Postal
Censorship
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Date 21 MAR 1945

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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R.129.48.CS

21st March, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telegraph service Italy - U.S. & U.K.

TO: H.E. The Under-Secretary of State for P.T.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 20th March, 1945 S/13/3/609.

2. As we have previously written you the question of resumption of this radio-telegraph service by Italcable is awaiting decision by higher authority.

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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*Al Ministro delle Poste
 e delle Telecomunicazioni*

S/13/34609

Roma, 20 marzo 1945

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
 Posts and Telecommunications
 Sub-Commission

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

Al MINISTERO ESTERI

ROMA

OGGETTO:- servizio radiotelegrafico civile con
 l'America.-

La Società Italcable, ci trasmette, relativamente all'oggetto, la lettera che alleghiamo in copia, in merito alla quale non possiamo che esprimere il nostro più incondizionato accordo e in relazione al suo contenuto, gradiremmo contestata spett. Commissione interponesse i suoi buoni uffici e ci comunicasse il suo esplicito punto di vista.

Ogni e qualsiasi questione, al riguardo, sarebbe ad ogni buon conto eliminata e risolta qualora il Governo Italiano venisse autorizzato secondo le ripetute richieste presentate al riguardo, ad attivare a mezzo dei propri impianti il servizio radiotelegrafico con le Nazioni Unite, così come richiesto e dal popolo d'oltre Oceano, e dal popolo italiano.

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Date 21 MAR 1945

Di quanto vorrete riferirci al riguardo,
vi porgiamo le nostre più vive anticipate
grazie.

IL MINISTRO
(M. Cevolotto)

Amman

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I.T.C.

Reperto Commerciale CAT. 2/45

Roma, 17 marzo 1945

Ministero delle Poste e delle Telecomunicazioni
Direzione Generale Poste e Telografi = ROMA =

Siamo venuti a conoscenza che la R.C.A. Communications lavora presentemente, sul collegamento Roma-New York, oltre al traffico puramente militare e ufficiale, anche normale traffico di stampa di carattere prettamente civile.

Questo è un vero e proprio traffico commerciale che non ha nulla a che vedere col traffico di stampa emesso dai corrispondenti di guerra e infatti esso, nella quasi totalità, è spedito da New York ed è diretto alle Agenzie giornalistiche americane che si trovano a Roma.

E' ovvio che la requisizione dei nostri impianti da parte degli alleati e la attivazione di collegamenti radiotelegrafici e cablografici da parte delle Compagnie estere R.C.A. Communications e Cable and Wireless, aveva per scopo essenziale quello di assicurare le comunicazioni ufficiali e militari fra l'Italia e le Nazioni Unite, tanto è vero che quando nel novembre si pensò di estendere il servizio telegrafico tra l'Italia e le Nazioni Unite anche al traffico privato, si riconobbe che solo la Italcable aveva - per convenzione col Governo Italiano - il diritto di accettare e recapitare traffico telegrafico internazionale in Italia.

Se le clausole di armistizio fossero state tali da permettere alle Compagnie estere in questione di effettuare anche il servizio privato, esse non avrebbero avuto scrupolo ad estendere senz'altro i propri servizi anche a questo traffico e non avrebbero mandato a monte l'accordo che così faticosamente era stato portato a buon punto da S.E. il Sottosegretario alle P.P.TT. e dai membri della Commissione Alleate.

Chè, poi, il traffico di stampa di carattere prettamente civile sia traffico privato è inoppugnabile e, quindi, la trasmissione di esso, effettuata dalla R.C.A. e Cable and Wireless è abusiva e danneggia la nostra Società.

La nostra tesi è anche sostenuta dal fatto che dopo l'apertura del radiocollegamento Roma-Mosca, su di esso viene istradato oltre che il traffico ordinario, anche il traffico di stampa che prima aveva corso per mezzo delle comunicazioni gestite dalla Cable and Wireless.

Così stando le cose ci sembra giusto ed urgente che la nostra Società venga autorizzata ad attivare un collegamento radiotelegrafico diretto con New York anche a prescindere dal fatto già segnalato che tale collegamento radiotelegrafico potrebbe essere molto utile all'esercizio del radiocollegamento telefonico Roma-New York. Al riguardo preghiamo vedere la nostra lettera del 22 febbraio scorso, ris.n.45.

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Mentre facciamo le nostre più ampie riserve per quanto riguarda la facoltà di reclamare al momento opportuno il rimborso dei danni che derivano alla nostra Società per il fatto che le due Compagnie estere stanno lavorando traffico privato, prechiamo codesto Ministero di voler interessare la Commissione Alleata esponendo il nostro punto di vista più sopra riportato e sollecitando l'autorizzazione ad attivare un collegamento radiotelegrafico diretto con New York.

Con l'occasione preghiamo anche fare presente che in considerazione del mancato accordo con la Cable and Wireless la nostra Società vedrebbe con molto piacere la riattivazione del collegamento radiotelegrafico tra Roma e Londra che prima della guerra era gestito dal G.P.O. da una parte e dalla Italo Radio dall'altro.

Per l'uno e l'altro collegamento la Italcable ha ora disponibili i mezzi tecnici necessari.

Ringraziamo anticipatamente e ringraziamo:

I.T.C. Il Commissario
f.to Martinato

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No. 1137/45.

Rome, 6th March, 1945.

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to thank you for your note No. R.129.51.68, dated March 1st, 1945, by which you have kindly informed me that a Radio - Telephone service between Italy and the United States has been opened on March 2nd, 1945.

Yours faithfully,

Vlad. Bauer

Headquarters Allied Commission,
Communications Sub-Commission,
APO 394
Rome.

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Date 17 MAR 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.O. 394
Communications Sub-Commission

14 March 1946.

CCG/1162-7

SUBJECT: Rome-New York Radiotelephone Circuit - Incoming
Press Calls.TO: A.C. of S., G-2 (CC).
Attention: Colonel Finn.

1. Reference AG 811/035 32G-0 dated 26 February 1945, a procedure for handling the censorship of press calls originating in Italy has been established. This procedure requires the submission to Civil Censorship of a script previously censored by Field Press Censorship. No other conversation is permitted and any deviations from the script result in the termination of the call.

2. Incoming press calls, however, present a different problem inasmuch as calls of a nature other than that referred to in paragraph 1 above (Newscast or Voicecast) may be approved by United States Censorship. Specifically, two requests for press-interviews, originating in New York, were approved by United States Censors. During this type of call, information intended for publication is obtained from the local party without passing through the established control, Field Press Censorship.

3. It is the opinion of Civil Censorship, as well as that of Lt. Col. J. L. Hayden, Press and Radio Censorship Branch, with whom this matter has been discussed, that no incoming press calls other than Voicecasts or Newscasts to authorized press agencies be permitted. Such a prohibition is also interpreted to exclude incoming press calls to officials on the Approved List of Radiotelephone Users.

4. It is requested that Civil Censorship be informed as to whether this prohibition meets with the approval of AFHQ so that existing regulations may be amended accordingly.

For the Chief Commissioner:

J. L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

File R.129

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

CCB/21/ 749

12 March 1945

SUBJECT: Cable

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

1. Herewith paraphrased copy of a SECRET cable, W 49884,
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.

Incl: 1

Director *[Signature]*
D/Director *[Signature]*
Chief Telecom *[Signature]*
Chief Postal
H. Q. Coms O.
Asst. Chief Postal
Censorship *[Signature]*
Chief Clerk

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Date 14 MAR 1945

SECRET

The following is a paraphrased copy of SECRET cable No. W 4988A
dtd 8 March 1945, from AGWAR to ALEXANDER. TAM 490.

Refer TAM 462, MAT 567.

United States censorship can now handle Italian traffic sent by
cable or radio as well as traffic in Italian over the radio
telephone circuit.

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SECRET

TO: Civil Censorship Group.

Please see copy of letter attached and add Mr. Offie,
U.S. Political Advisor, to the list of those authorized to
make calls on the R/T to N.York.

17th March 1945.

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

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Ref: R.129/03.16 March 1945.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I will willingly add the name of Mr. Gammel Office to the list of persons authorized to make or sponsor calls from Italy but at the same time I must point out that the technical standards of the circuits, both in Rome and externally from Rome, do not permit conversations over the radio-telephone to the United States being originated from any place in Italy other than the special booth arranged for the purpose in No. 2 Via Ballustiana.

While, therefore, Mr. Office will be able to telephone when he is in Rome, he will, I am afraid, be unable to do so from Caserta.

Yours sincerely,

M. S. Lusk
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

The Honourable Alexander Kirk,
American Embassy,
119, Via Victoria Veneto,
ROME.

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D R A F T

R.129. .CS

13 March, 1945

My dear Mr. Ambassador,

The technical standards of the circuits, both in Rome and externally from Rome, do not permit conversations over the radio-telephone circuit to America being originated anywhere in Italy other than at the special booth arranged for the purpose in No.2 Via Sallustiana. There is no immediate prospect of calls being practical from Caserta or elsewhere.

There is therefore no point in giving your representative at A.F.H.Q. this authority, as he could not make use of the facility. If he wished to use the circuit during a visit to Rome, he could of course be sponsored by you.

Yours sincerely,

M.S.LUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

Mr. Alexander Kirk
American Embassy, Rome.



THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COMMUNICATIONS

SC.

AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, March 10, 1945

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My dear Brigadier Lush:

I have received communication R.129.51.CS of March 1 from the Communications Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission informing me officially of the reestablishment of radio-telephone service to the United States and attaching instructions for the use of this service, including a list of subscribers, and I should be most appreciative if to the list of persons authorized to make or sponsor calls from Italy might be added the name of Mr. Carmel Offie, who is my deputy as United States Political Advisor to the Supreme Allied Commander at Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta.

Sincerely yours,

A. Kirk.

Alexander Kirk

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Director	Brigadier Maurice S. Lush,
Deputy Director	Executive Commissioner,
Chief Liaison	Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Chief Postal	Rome.
H. Q. Comm. O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	

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Date 13 MAR 1945

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: **CITE ACCMN**
Date/Time of Origin: **MAR 101632**

Message Centre No: **D/4762**
Date/Time Recd: **MAR 121000**
Precedence: **ROUTINE**

FROM: **COM EIGHT FLEET**
TO: **HQ ALCOM**

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Your 091846A. None available

ACTION

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ACTION COMMUNICATIONS
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CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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H.H.S. see 65
H.L.H.

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HEADQUARTERS
12 MAR 1945
A. C.

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Date **11 MAR 1945**

Nº 14

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The Brazilian Embassy in Rome presents its compliments to the Communications Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission and has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of its communication R.129.51.CS, dated March 1st. inst., on the opening of a radio-telephone service Italy-United States.

2. The Brazilian Embassy thanks the Communication Sub-Commission for that kind information.

Rome, March 8th., 1945.



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Director
D/Director

[Signature]

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MCC

The Brazilian Embassy in Rome presents its compliments to the Communications Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission and has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of its communication R.129.51.CS, dated March 1st. inst., on the opening of a radio-telephone service Italy-United States.

2. The Brazilian Embassy thanks the Communication Sub-Commission for that kind information.

Rome, March 8th., 1945.



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D/Director	
Chief Telecons	
Chief Postal	
H. U. Com. O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Liaisonship	
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Date 11 MAR 1945

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*Communications*ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 5122309
167 212
TBI/as

G-5: 383.8-2

10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Telecommunications with Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your R/29.45.CS of 20 Feb.
2. Confirmation has been received from CCS that United States censorship can now handle Italian traffic sent by cable or radio as well as traffic in Italian over the radio telephone circuit.
3. There is no indication that the UK can yet handle traffic in the Italian language.

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


T. B. Jackman
 Lt. Colonel

Copy to: G-2(CC) TAM 490 refers

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

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Date 12 MAR 1945

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Communications

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JB/mls

8 March 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

2. Request that you inform American and British Red Cross Headquarters, Italy.

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

Notified and copies of
minutes sent on 9.3.48

Julius Byles
JULIUS BYLES,
Major, F.A.

9 MAR 1945
A. E. C.

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Date 10 MAR 1945	

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COMMANDER EIGHTH FLEET UNITED STATES NAVY

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9 MARCH 65

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

TWO NUMBER EIGHT FOUR SIX VACUUM TUBES URGENTLY NEEDED TO INSURE
CONTINUANCE OF RADIO TELEPHONE CIRCUIT FROM NEW YORK PD
PARH TO COMMANDER EIGHTH FLEET UNITED STATES NAVY FROM HQ ALCH
FILE ASHED PARH

IF AVAILABLE WOULD APPRECIATE AIR SHIPMENT THIS HEADQUARTERS HOME

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COMMUNICATIONS S/C

489081 041333

FILE 129

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: F 38570
 Date Time of Origin: MAR 061511A

Message Centre No: D/4322
 Date Time Rec'd: MAR 070530A
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE HGBI
 TO: ALCON

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American and British Red Cross officials allowed to make or sponsor calls from ITALY by radio telephone near 2847 dated 3 March. Similar privilege extended from UNITED STATES to American Red Cross officials.

ACTION

*officials notified
and copies of nature sent
on 9/3/45*

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 ACTION: Communications S/C
 INFO: A/President
 Chief Commissioner
 File 2
 Float

Director	
D/Division	
Chief of Staff	
Chief of Staff	
H. C. Comm. O	
Asst. Chief of Staff	
Commissary	
Chief Clerk	

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Date 5 MAR 1945

To: Civil Censorship

1. To note and circulate amendment to Appendix "A" on Regulations for use of Radio-Telephone circuit to the United States, informing the A.R.C. and B.R.C.

2. Private and family matters are forbidden - however such matters are the official business of the R.C. I consider that the proper interpretation of the rule should be that the R.C. cannot sponsor calls to be made in the private affairs of the caller, but can properly make official calls between R.C. offices on family matters in which they as a R.C. organization are officially interested.

Tel: 489081
Ext: 400

6th March, 1945

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director,
Communications S/C.

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SECRET

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

CCB/21/

F-49

1 March 1945

SUBJECT: Cable.

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

Herewith paraphrased copies of 2 cables WX 525 and 72046
which are of interest from a censorship standpoint.

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

Incl: 1

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

Director	
D/Director	<i>AMT</i>
Chief, Telecom	
Chief, Radio	
H. Q. Code O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	<i>Done</i>

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Censorship

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FILE R.129	D/fwd.

Date 6 MAR 1945**SECRET**

Following is a paraphrase of SECRET Cable No WX44525,
27 Feb 45. TAM 479. From AGWAR FROM CCS, TO: AFHQ

Use of ROME - UNITED STATES radio telephone.

Approve American and British Red Cross officials making or
sponsoring calls from ITALY by radio telephone. Similar
privilege will be extended from UNITED STATES to American
Red Cross officials.

Use of Italian language now permitted on radio telephone circuit
under provisions of TAM 462.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

55-1
Date 10/10/45
10/10/45
10/10/45

Suspense

FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Staff Officer to CC		Establishment Section	
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)	
Message Center		Executive Officer (B)	
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)	
DP & Rep		G-1 (V) Civilian Emp.	
Local Govt		G-1 (B)	
Patriots Branch		G-4 (A)	
Public Safety		G-4 (B)	
Security Division		2625th Regt	
Public Health		Headquarters Commandant	
Legal		Adjutant	
Education		Navy	
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (LMA)	
Economic Section		Air	
Requisition Division		Communications	3/c
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group	
Commerce		W.A.B. & P.O.A.	
Finance		Public Relations Branch	
Property Control Div		Information Division	
Food		Archivist	
Industry		U.N.L.R.A.	
Miner Division		I.C.C.A.	
Labor			
Public Works & Utilities			
Shipping			
Transportation			
Political Section			

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Remarks & Recommendations _____
Information _____
Approval/Disposal _____
Appropriate Action _____
Investigation & Report _____
Dispatch _____

Col. Scudder:

The attached is a telephone call taken
by the Night Duty Officer. Can you please
advise? Thank.

FROM	TO	TO
Staff Officer to CO		Establishment Section
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)
Message Center		Executive Officer (B)
Civil Affairs Section		C-1 (A)
DP & Rec		C-1 (A) Civilian Emp.
Local Govt		C-1 (B)
Patriots Branch		C-1 (A)
Public Safety		C-1 (B)
Security Division		2575th Regt
Public Health		Headquarters Commandant
Legal		Adjutant
Education		Navy
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (M&IA)
Economic Section		Air
Requisition Division		Communications <i>S/C</i>
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group
Commerce		M.H.D. & P.O.A.
Finance		Public Relations Branch
Property Control Div		Information Division
Food		Archivist
Industry		U.N.R.R.A.
Mining Division		I.G.C.R.
Labor		
Public Works & Utilities		
Shipping		
Transportation		
Political Section		

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Col. Scudder:

Remarks

*The attached is a telephone call taken
 by the Night Duty Officer. Can you please
 advise? Thank.*

Nicholas Piombino
 CW/C. U.S.A.
 Asst. Adjutant

1900 - 5 Mar

Memo - telephone call.
To Communications SIC.

British Embassy wants 5 more
copies of "Radio Telephone Communica-
tions ^{to} Italy - USA" Ref 129-51-CS
dated 1 Mar 45

Impress
154 LCC

Duty Officer

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AFHQ

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3 MARCH 45

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

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DATED ONE FOUR FEBRUARY PARA TWO

PAREN AFHQ FOR GEORGE TWO FROM HQ ALGOM CITE ACCEN PAREN

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COMMUNICATIONS/C.

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SECRET

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

File
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CCB/1103/259

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Radiotelephone Service to the United States.

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

1. Reference your CCG/1162-4 dated 11 January 1945.
2. The list of persons transmitted with the above memorandum shows 2 Red Cross officials who may make or sponsor Radiotelephone calls. Red Cross calls were not agreed upon but a request by cable that Red Cross officials be allowed to make or sponsor calls from Italy has been dispatched by AFHQ. Upon receipt of answer you will be notified.
3. You requested a list of U.S. Government officials who are permitted the "Tops" privilege. The "Tops" arrangement is a part of British Censorship practice and has no counterpart in U.S. handling of official calls. No "Tops" arrangements for Italy is contemplated by United States Censorship.

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

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

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AFHQ

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3 MARCH 45

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

YOUR THREE ONE ONE DASH ZERO FIVE FIVE DATED TWO SIX FEB PD
REQUEST RECEIVED FROM AMERICA FOR RADIO TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH
THE POPE PD
RECOMMEND HIS HOLINESS AND THE CARDINAL SECRETARY BE AUTHORISED TO
USE SERVICE PD
PAREN AFHQ FOR FHGEG FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACCMN PAREN
DO NOT CONSIDER THIS CREATES PRECEDENT FOR EXTENSION OF USE TO NEUTRALS
GENERALLY

DISTRIBUTION

Liaison Officer to Vatican

Communications S/C.

489081 Ext: 400

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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27th February, 1945

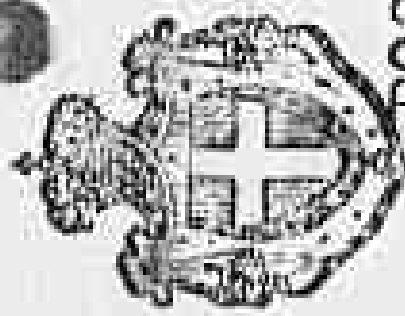
SUBJECT: Radio - Telephone Service Rome - New York
TO: H.E. The Under-Secretary of State for F.I.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 26th Feb. 1945 Prot. 977335/276 Reparto # 3 Ufficio 3.
2. It is not yet definite that service can be opened on February 28th, 1945.
3. You will be informed as soon as definite date is known and at the same time you will be given full information as to regulations applying.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI
POSTE E DELLE TELECOMUNICAZIONI
AZIENDA DI STATO PER I SERVIZI TELEFONICI

REPARTO 3° UFFICIO 3°

PROT. N. 977335/276

ALLEGATO
G.W.

OGGETTO: Servizio radiotelefonico intercontinentale fra l'Italia
e gli Stati Uniti d'America.

RISPOSTA AL N.

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URGENTE

COMMISSIONE ALLIATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE TELECOMUNICAZIONI

Via Vittorio Veneto

APO 394

La Società Italcable ha comunicato che il servizio
radiotelefonico fra l'Italia e gli Stati Uniti potrà riat-
tivarsi probabilmente mercoledì 28 febbraio, mediante il col-
legamento radioelettrico Roma-New York.

Si gradirà conoscere se codesta Commissione è d'accor-
do sulla data di inizio del predetto servizio.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

[Signature]

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REPARTO

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RISPOSTA AL N.

PROCT. N. 977335/276

ALLEGATO

DEL

OGGETTO: Servizio radiotelefonico intercontinentale fra l'Italia
e gli Stati Uniti d'America.

COMMISSIONE ALLIATA
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE TELECOMUNICAZIONI

Via Vittorio Veneto

APO 394

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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R.129.54.CS

1st March, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio-Telephone Italy - United States.

TO: Mr. Brown, Public Relations Officer, HQ.A.C.

1. Radio telephone service to the U.S. will open officially on the 2nd March, 1945.

2. It is requested that official announcement of the availability of telephone service to the United States for the Press be made only to the Press correspondents and Press agencies.

3. Attached herewith are the instructions for placing calls, censorship regulations, and list of subscribers.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Incl: Appendix "A" - Persons authorised to make or sponsor calls from Italy by Radio - Telephone.
"B" - Censorship regulations for Radio - Telephone service between Italy and United States.
"C" - Instructions for Radio-Telephone service Italy - United States.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 APO 394
 Communications Sub-Commission

HL/epc

R.129.52.CS

1st March, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio - Telephone Italy - United States
 TO: Under-Secretary of State for F.T.

1. Radio Telephone service to the United States will officially open on 2nd March, 1945.
2. Attached herewith are the censorship regulations, list of subscribers permitted to use this service, and instructions for placing a call.

J.L.HENDERSON
 Colonel,
 Director.

Incl: "Appendix "A" - Persons authorised to make or sponsor calls from Italy by Radio - Telephone.
 "B" - Censorship regulations for Radio - Telephone service between Italy and United States.
 "C" - Instructions for Radio - Telephone service Italy - United States.

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APPENDIX "A" 52PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE OR SPONSOR CALLS FROM ITALY BYRADIO - TELEPHONEAdvisory Council

The Honorable Alexander Kirk	(American)
Sir Noel Charles	(British)
Major General Susloparov	(Russian)
L. Lamice Couve de Murville	(French)
L. George Eximaris	(Greek)
Dr. Josip Smolaka	(Yugoslav)

Diplomatic Missions

Signor Mikhail Kostikov, USSR Ambassador
 H.E. Vasco da Cunha, Brazilian Charge d'Affaires
 Signor Mario Garza Ramos, Mexican Charge d'Affaires

Consulates

George Carlier, Belgian Consul General
 E.E. Vlastimir Vasek, Czechoslovak Consul General
 E.E.F.V. Graandijk, Netherlands A/Consul General
 Tadeusz Wierusz-Kowalski, Polish Consul General - *Via A. Villa*
 Dr. Lyron Taylor
 The Acting President, Dr. Harold Macmillan
 Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
 Rear Admiral Ellery T. Stone U.S.N.R.
 Chief of Staff, Allied Commission
 Brigadier Laurico S. Lush (British)
 Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA - Mr. Spurgeon Keeny

Alban 14-16
Roma

PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE CALLS

All members of the Italian Government holding the rank of Minister.

Press Calls:

All accredited correspondents
 All accredited press agencies

see 76 **7220**

APPENDIX "B"

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE ITALY - UNITED STATES

1. Radio - Telephone service to the United States will open officially on the 2nd March, 1946.
2. Service for subscribers on the approved list will be available from 1615 A to 1820 A hours daily including Sundays. Calls can only be made from special booth installed in Room 42 A, I.N.A. Building, 2 Via Sallustiana.
3. Subscribers wishing to place calls will call the International Recording Operator 44750, who will accept booking from 1800 A to 1200 A and 1400 A to 1600 A hours daily. In view of the limited time available, booking should be made twenty four hours in advance so that subscribers in the United States may be available at the time of call.
4. Subscribers who have had their calls accepted by the booking operator will be in the waiting room 43 A at the I.N.A. Building, 2 Via Sallustiana, to contact station duty officer at least 15 minutes before calling time.
5. On incoming calls the International recording operator will notify the party concerned as soon as the request from the United States is received and approved: the called party will then arrange with the recording operator the time that the call can be accepted.

APPENDIX "C"

CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS FOR RADIO-TELEPHONE SERVICE
BETWEEN ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES

Government Calls1. Calls originating in Italy.

a. Must be from one of the individuals on approved list, or an official sponsored by one on this list.

b. Normally, all calls will be made from the official telephone booth provided for this purpose at the radio-telephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.

c. Private calls will not be allowed, except in cases of Allied Sovereigns or the Heads of Allied Governments.

2. Calls originating in the United States:

a. All calls passed by the United States Censorship are subject to the approval of Civil Censorship, Italy.

b. Must be made to:

- (1) an individual on the Civil Censorship Approved List;
- (2) an official sponsored by one on this list
- (3) Allied sovereigns; or
- (4) Heads of Allied Governments.

3. All calls, except those indicated in 1 c. must be confined to official business.

4. Forbidden subjects.

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Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls include:

movement or locations of ships, troops, or aircraft; positions of airfields, bases or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the armed forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation, details of location, time, or effect of air raids; details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations Government or service officials or agents; confirmation of telegraph, cable or radio messages.

5. Languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish and Portuguese may be used, subject to availability of language censors.

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6. Warning: The censor will read the following warning to the local party, prior to the start of the conversation:

" In the interest of Allied security, you are requested to refrain from discussing departure or arrival, name or location of ships, military topics of any kind, technical weather information or any other information which may be of aid or comfort to the enemy. No reference is to be made to the date, number or text of any cable or radiogram".

7. Any call may be interrupted by the censor if:

- a. Any language other than that approved for the call is used.
- b. It is thought that a code is being used.
- c. Other than official business is discussed. For exception, see 1 c.
- d. Another speaker other than the one for whom the call has been approved attempts to converse.
- e. Either party commits any indiscretion by failing to comply with the warning or discloses any information of possible value to the enemy.
- f. If parties persist in violating security or the regulations contained herein, the censor will terminate the call.

PRESS CALLS ORIGINATING IN ITALY

1. All calls will consist of the reading of a script previously censored by Field Press Censorship.

2. Radio - Telephone censors will monitor all Press calls.

3. Censors will terminate any call which deviates from the previously censored subject.

4. All Press calls will be made from the Official booth at the radio-telephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.

5. A copy of the previously censored script duly authenticated by Field Press Censorship, must be delivered to Station Duty Officer at the I.N.A. Building Room 45 A, 2 Via Sallustiana, in sufficient time prior to the establishment of the calls, otherwise the call cannot be approved.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

HL/epc

R.129.51.35

1st March, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio - Telephone Italy - United States.

TO: *ALL ON ATTACHED "A"*

1. Radio - Telephone service to the United States will open officially on the 2nd March, 1945.

2. Attached herewith are the instructions for placing calls, censorship regulations, and list of subscribers.

[Signature]
J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Incl: Appendix "A" - Persons authorised to make or sponsor calls from Italy by Radio-Telephone.
"B" - Censorship regulations for Radio - Telephone service between Italy and United States.
"C" - Instructions for Radio-Telephone service Italy - United States.

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APPENDIX "A"

PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE OR SPONSOR CALLS FROM ITALY BYRADIO - TELEPHONEAdvisory Council

The Honorable Alexander Kirk	(American)
Sir Noel Charles	(British)
Major General Susloparov	(Russian)
L. Maurice Couve de Murville	(French)
J. George Eximmaris	(Greek)
Dr. Josip Stadjala	(Yugoslav)

Diplomatic Missions

Signor Mikhail Kostikov, USSR Ambassador
 H.E. Vasco da Cunha, Brazilian Charge d'Affaires
 Signor Mario Garza Ramon, Mexican Charge d'Affaires ✓

Consulates

George Cartier, Belgian Consul General
 H.E. Vladimir Vasek, Czechoslovak Consul General
 H.E. F. T. Craandijk, Netherlands & Consul General
 Tadeusz Wierusz-Kowalski, Polish Consul General

Mr. Byron Taylor
 The Acting President, Mr. Harold Macmillan
 Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission,
 Rear Admiral Ellery T. Stone U.S.N.R.
 Chief of Staff, Allied Commission
 Brigadier Maurice S. Lush (British)
 Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA - Mr. Spurgeon Keeny

PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE CALLS

All members of the Italian Government holding the rank of Minister. 7216

Press Calls:

All accredited correspondents
 All accredited press agencies

APPENDIX "B"

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE ITALY - UNITED STATES

1. Radio - Telephone service to the United States will begin officially on the 2nd March, 1946.

2. Service for subscribers on the approved list will be available from 1615 A to 1820 A hours daily including Sundays. Calls can only be made from special booth installed in Room #2 A, I.N.A. Building, 2 Via Sallustiana.

3. Subscribers wishing to place calls will call the International Recording Operator 45930, who will accept bookings from 1000 A to 1200 A and 1400 A to 1600 A hours daily. In view of the limited time available, bookings should be made twenty four hours in advance so that subscribers in the United States may be available at the time of call.

4. Subscribers who have had their calls accepted by the booking operator will be in the waiting room 43 A at the I.N.A. Building, 2 Via Sallustiana, to contact station duty officer at least 15 minutes before calling time.

5. On incoming calls the International recording operator will notify the party concerned as soon as the request from the United States is received and approved; the called party will then arrange with the recording operator the time that the call can be accepted.

APPENDIX "C"

CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS FOR RADIO-TELEPHONE SERVICE
BETWEEN ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES

Government Calls

1. Calls originating in Italy.

a. Must be from one of the individuals on approved list, or an official sponsored by one on this list.

b. Normally, all calls will be made from the official telephone booth provided for this purpose at the radio-telephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.

c. Private calls will not be allowed, except in cases of Allied Sovereigns, or the Heads of Allied Governments.

2. Calls originating in the United States:

a. All calls passed by the United States Censorship are subject to the approval of Civil Censorship, Italy.

b. Must be made to:

- (1) an individual on the Civil Censorship Approved list;
- (2) an official sponsored by one on this list
- (3) Allied sovereigns; or
- (4) Heads of Allied Governments.

3. All calls, except those indicated in 1 g. must be confined to official business.

4. Forbidden subjects.

Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls include:

movement or locations of ships, troops, or aircraft;
 positions of airfields, bases or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the armed forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation, details of location, time, or effect of air raids;
 details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations Government or service officials or agents; confirmation of telegraph, cable or radio messages.

5. Languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish and Portuguese may be used, subject to availability of language censors.

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6. Warning: The censor will read the following warning to the local party, prior to the start of the conversation:

"In the interest of Allied security, you are requested to refrain from discussing departure or arrival, name or location of ships, military topics of any kind, technical weather information or any other information which may be of aid or comfort to the enemy. No reference is to be made to the date, number or text of any cable or radiogram".

7. Any call may be interrupted by the censor if:

- a. Any language other than that approved for the call is used.
- b. If it is thought that a code is being used.
- c. Other than official business is discussed. For exception, see 1 c.
- d. Another speaker other than the one for whom the call has been approved attempts to converse.
- e. Either party commits any indiscretion by failing to comply with the warning or discloses any information of possible value to the enemy.
- f. If parties persist in violating security or the regulations contained herein, the censor will terminate the call.

PRESS CALLS ORIGINATING IN ITALY

1. All calls will consist of the reading of a script previously censored by Field Press Censorship.

2. Radio - Telephone censors will monitor all Press calls.

3. Censors will terminate any call which deviates from the previously censored subject.

4. All Press calls will be made from the Official booth at the radio-telephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.

5. A copy of the previously censored script duly authenticated by Field Press Censorship must be delivered to Station Duty Officer at the I.N.A. Building Room 43 A, 2 Via Sallustiana, in sufficient time prior to the establishment of the calls, otherwise the call cannot be approved.

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Chief, Policy	
H. Q.	AG 311/055 GEG-O
Asst. Chief	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	
SUBJECT: Rome - New York Radio Telephone Circuit	
TO:	President
	Allied Commission
	AFU 394

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

RHF/at

26 February 1945

1. Formal notice has been given to the Combined Chiefs of Staff that the Rome - New York telephone service will be commenced from Italy on 28 February and that the hours of operation will be from 1515 Z to 1720 Z hours daily including Sundays.

2. The service from Italy is not to be permitted to strictly military authorities nor are discussions of matters of a military nature to be permitted by any user over the circuit.

3. The use of the service is to be restricted to diplomatic and consular representatives, civil officials, representatives of UNRRA, press correspondents and such other persons as may be agreed. Lists of those to whom the service is to be permitted will be submitted by you to this headquarters and after clearance by G-2 with the United States Office of Censorship, will be notified to you from time to time.

4. Censorship Regulations for the service, which will be observed, are attached at Appendix "A" to this letter.

5. Censorship in connection with the service will be conducted by Allied Officer Examiners of the Civil Censorship Group, Italy.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

1 Incl
Censorship
Regulations

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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APPENDIX "A"

CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS FOR RADIOTELEPHONE SERVICE BETWEEN
ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES

Government Calls

1. Calls originating in Italy.

- a. Must be from one of the individuals on Approved List, or an official sponsored by one on this list.
- b. Normally, all calls will be made from the official telephone booth provided for this purpose at the radiotelephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.
- c. Private calls will not be allowed, except in cases of Allied Sovereigns or the Heads of Allied Governments.
- d. No calls originating in Italy will be granted "TOPS" privileges.

2. Calls originating in the United States.

- a. All calls passed by the United States Censorship are subject to the approval of Civil Censorship, Italy. (See "TOPS" calls, 2 c)
- b. Must be made to: (1) an individual on the Civil Censorship Approved List; (2) an official sponsored by one on this list; (3) Allied Sovereigns; or (4) Heads of Allied Governments.
- c. "TOPS" calls originating in the United States will be passed by Civil Censorship, Italy. Such calls shall be identified by the operator in the United States by announcing the word "TOPS" before the conversation starts.

3. All calls, except those indicated in 1 c and 2 c above, must be confined to official business.

4. Forbidden Subjects. Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls include: movements or locations of ships, troops, or aircraft; positions of airfields, guns or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the armed forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation; details of location, time, or effect of air raids; details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations government or service officials or agents; confirmation of telegraph, cable or radio messages.

5. Languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish and Portuguese may be used, subject to availability of language censors.

6. Warning: The censor will read the following warning to the local party, prior to the start of the conversation:

"In the interest of Allied security, you are requested to refrain from discussing departure or arrival, name or location of ships, military topics of any kind, technical weather information or any other information which may be of aid or comfort to the enemy. No reference is to be made to the date, number, or text of any cable or radiogram."

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Appendix "A" (cont'd)

7. Any call may be interrupted by the censor if:
 - a. Any language other than that approved for the call is used.
 - b. If it is thought that a code is being used.
 - c. Other than official business is discussed. For exceptions, see 1 c and 2 c.
 - d. Another speaker other than the one for whom the call has been approved attempts to converse.
 - e. Either party commits any indiscretion by failing to comply with the warning or discloses any information of possible value to the enemy.
8. Interrupting the call.
 - a. "TOPS" calls will not be interrupted except in cases where substantial danger to Allied security is involved. If indiscreet disclosures are made, the censor will interrupt and warn those talking that the enemy is listening. The conversation will continue only if those who are talking decide that the urgency of the situation warrants the sacrifice of security.
 - b. All calls other than "TOPS". The censor will interrupt calls to warn the local party when violations of security or indiscretions are committed. If parties persist in violating security or the regulations contained herein, the censor will terminate the call.
 - c. During the conversation, all warnings to the local party must be passed on to the party in the United States.

PRESS CALLS ORIGINATING IN ITALY

1. All calls will consist of the reading of a script previously censored by Field Press Censorship.
2. A copy of the previously-censored script must be submitted to Civil Censorship in sufficient time prior to the establishing of the call.
3. Radiotelephone censors will monitor all Press calls.
4. Censors will terminate any call which deviates from the previously-censored script.
5. All Press calls will be made from the official booth at the radiotelephone terminus of Italcable in Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

JLB/epc

R.129.45.CS

20th February, 1945

SUBJECT: Telecommunications with Italy.

TO: A.P.H.Q.
Att: G-5

Reference your 383.5-2 dated 16th February, 1945.

1. It is not quite certain whether radio-telegraph communications as well as radio-telephone communications are intended to be included in the permission to use the Italian language, and confirmation on this is requested.

Although 'telecommunications' of course includes both aspects, the references to earlier telegrams are on the subject of the radio-telephone circuit, and in the meantime will be taken to refer to that only.

2. If radio-telegraph communications are intended to be included, your telegram F 75749 dated 29th December 1944 is thereby amended so far as ABBAS is concerned. May PROSPERS be asked whether in view of this change in U.S. Censorship, the British authorities are prepared to effect a similar change.

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J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Civil Censorship with copy of G-5 letter.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 383.8-2

16 February 1945

SUBJECT: Telecommunications with Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

TAM 462 dated 14 February 1945 (refer TAM 406 and 407)
states that United States Director of Censorship has authorized the
use of the Italian language in telecommunications with Italy.

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

Copy to:
G-2.

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JULIUS BYLES,
Major, F.A.

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FX 30256

Test on 19 Feb was satisfactory and frequency 17120 KC/S is clear here for transmission by WOO-6 N.Y. arrangements for use of 17120 KC/S should be made by service message between Rome and NY during present schedule working anticipate official opening of this Radio telephone circuit about 28th Feb

Alexander

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Paraphrased copy of above message was read to N.Y. 1530 Gmt 23 Feb 1945.

Let

In addition to above freq 17120 KC N.Y. ~~of 17120~~
 standby on emergency freq of 16270 KHz call sign WOG.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 912

TEJ/wsw

G-5: 311.23-1

22 February 1945

SUBJECT: Rome-New York Telephone Service.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 994.

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1. Reference is made to your signal 2122 of 20 February.
2. With the approval of the Chief of Staff this HQ, a cable has been sent to CCS notifying them that the Rome - New York telephone service will be commenced from Italy on 28 February, and that the service will be subject to the conditions already agreed.
3. CCS have been notified that the hours of operation will be from 1515Z to 1720Z hours daily including Sundays. The extra one quarter of an hour which was suggested for the Sunday service was deleted at the request of Signals.
4. An AG letter confirming the above and including the conditions already agreed is being prepared.

For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

Spencer
LT Col.

T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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23 FEB 1945
A. C.

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Asst. Chief Postal	
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Chief Clerk	

LT LOTT

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Date 23 FEB 1945

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

THJ/wsw

G-5: 311.23-1

22 February 1945

SUBJECT: Rome-New York Telephone Service.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

HHS/epc

R.129.47.GS

23rd February, 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service Rome - New York.

TO: Charles E. Livengood Esq.
Commercial Attache
Embassy of the United States of America,
Rome.

1. Tests of radio - telephone link Rome - New York have proved successful and A.F.H.Q. have agreed to opening service as of February 28th, 1945 and are issuing instructions covering regulations governing traffic.

2. In order to avoid any misunderstanding, Admiral Stone considers that it would be wise for a telegram to be sent by you to the State Department to the effect that all authorities at this end agree to opening of service as of February 28th, 1945 and requesting that F.C.C. and A.T.T. be so informed.

Orig deliver by messenger.

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J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

*Mr. Livengood telephoned 1800/23
to say that U.S. Embassy was
sending cable to State Dept.
this night, 23 Feb., to the effect
of para 2 above.*

True.

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Director	
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Chief Telecoms	
Chief of Staff	
Asst. Chief of Staff	
Chief Clerk	G-5: 311.23-1
SUBJECT: Telecommunications Rome-US Telephone Circuit.	

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 312

TBJ/as

18 February 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. For your information a cable has been despatched to Agwar requesting times for the proposed Italo-US telephone circuit in view of the lack of response to unilateral trial testing from Italy.

2. You will be informed when a reply has been received to the cable in question.

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

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Date 20 FEB 1945

T. B. Jackman
Lt. Colonel

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/as *462*

G-5: 311.23-1

18 February 1945

SUBJECT: Telecommunications Rome-US Telephone Circuit.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Testing 1. For your information a cable has been despatched to Agwar requesting times for the proposed Italo-US telephone circuit in view of the lack of response to unilateral trial testing from Italy.

2. You will be informed when a reply has been received to the cable in question.

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

N
T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

JLH/epc

A.139.45.68

20th February, 1945

SUBJECT: Telecommunications with Italy.

TO: A.F.H.R.
Att: G-5

Reference your 353.8-2 dated 16th February, 1945.

1. It is not quite certain whether radio-telegraph communications as well as radio-telephone communications are intended to be included in the permission to use the Italian language, and confirmation on this is requested.

Although 'telecommunications' of course includes both aspects, the references to earlier telegrams are on the subject of the radio-telephone circuit, and in the meantime will be taken to refer to that only.

2. If radio-telegraph communications are intended to be included, your telegram F 75749 dated 29th December 1944 is thereby amended so far as AFSAB is concerned. May TROOPERS be asked whether in view of this change in U.S. Censorship, the British authorities are prepared to effect a similar change.

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J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Civil Censorship with copy of G-5 letter.

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 Censorship
 Chief Clerk

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 G-5 Section
 APO 512

JB/mls

16 February 1945

C-5: 383.8-2

SUBJECT: Telecommunications with Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

TAM 462 dated 14 February 1945 (refer TAM 406 and 407)
 states that United States Director of Censorship has authorized the
 use of the Italian language in telecommunications with Italy.

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

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Date 18/2/45

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Julius Byles
 JULIUS BYLES,
 Major, F.A.



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A.F.H.Q.

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20 FEB 45

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

TESTS ON RADIO TELEPHONE CIRCUIT HOME NEW YORK SATISFACTORY PD

PARSON AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FROM HQ ALCON CITE ALCON PARSON

REQUEST YOU GIVE FORMAL NOTICE OF OPENING AND ISSUE LETTER REFERRED
TO IN PARA FIVE YOUR LETTER DATED FOUR JANUARY

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Communications 3/C.

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File 129/c

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: EX 27911
Date/Time of Origin: FEB 16/1337A

Message Centre No: D/2204
Date Time Rec'd: FEB 17/0953
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: FHSIG SIGNED ALEXANDER
TO: FAC USJCB, SPSOL AGWAR, INFO: SICO AND DIRECTOR COM ALCOM
ROME AREA.

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On 13, 14 and 15 February Italo Radio ROME attempted to work at and T NEW YORK at 1515Z of radio telephone circuit without satisfactory results. Contact was made but UNITED STATES station not ready to carry out tests. Until further notice from you that at and T prepared to conduct service, station IRY at ROME will remain off air. Refer your W-35277 of 9 February and related cables.

INFO-ACTION

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Info-Action: COMMUNICATIONS
Info: A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
FILE

Director	
Deputy Director	
Chief of Staff	<i>[Signature]</i>
Chief of Base	
Head of Communications	
Asst. Chief of Base	
Censorship	
Chief Clerk	

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HEADQUARTERS
17 FEB 1945 7200

Chf. of Base	
Chf. of Staff	
FILE	
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Date 17 FEB 1945

18th Feb 1945

171520Z heard WOT-4 on 13370 KC calling
IRY informed Col Henderson. Col H directed that
contact should be made if possible. Contacted
WOT-4 1715 but signals very good both ways.
WOT-4 will meet us on Monday 19th 1515Z.
Arrangements were made with ATT for Mr
Thompson to speak to Eng Martins on Monday
1515Z.

On 18th Feb Capt Herin info, ATT ready
on Monday 1515Z on WOT-4 13370 KC and W006
17120 KC to carry out tests. Agwan answer to
AFHQ cable, ^{copy file} ref number 129 FX 27911. Capt H
will confirm TP connection with cable.

Att

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M/C NR 2830

OP-PRIORITY

RAAC MESSAGE FORM

DECODED		CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY -OP-	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS 142-2
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY					DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 172017A
FROM (A) AFHQ					
TO (FOR ACTION) ROME AREA SIGNAL OFFICE PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE EARLIEST TO IRY STATION OF ITALIA RADIO.					
TO (FOR INFORMATION) <i>1 PWB?</i>					
(REF. No.)					
(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) SECRET					

(THIS IS RELAY OF SVC 712 FROM STATION JDJD.)

ADVISE IF YOU CAN GET THIS NOTE TO STATION IRY FROM
AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH OVERSEAS CONTROL ROOM.

"WE ARE CALLING IRY ON WOT 4 (13,370) AND WOO 6 (17,120)."
PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.

*Telephon
L+O*

Henderson

Marking PWB

SECRET

*read from Marking
1230 18 Feb 1945
LH*

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F (Foreign party in NY - ~~no club to do it~~ but apparently a New Yorker) 42-3

I was talking to you about the tests we were going to make starting this Tuesday.

Big Pardon - Yep.

I just wanted to verify the fact that we were unable to make the test hours due to some arrangements that had not been completed here. Therefore, our schedule for the time being at least will not be interrupted. Yep.

F That's right.
We will transmit on WOT 4 for the 1200 to 1245. Yeh.

F. Sure.

F. Yeh - Yeh - that's right.

F. Did you receive us today on that ~~WOT 2~~ WOA 2?

Did you receive us on today on WOA 2?

F I don't know what they did in the control room but I am only interested to know if you got a decent circuit on WOA2.

F Okay we will let you know if and when those tests have been arranged.

F We will let you know if and when arrangements for those tests have been completed.

F Mr Denny will know what situation will be.

F Until further notice we will continue this schedule until further notice.

F Possibly when these tests are arranged, we may be able to use another transmitter and another frequency. I think this is what it will be.

F General interest and information. We have learned that we made occasional ----. If by any chance we should ask you transmit to us so we are only listening, we will like it very much if you would just instead of calling ~~us~~ say testing for WOT 4.

F We are running into case of parties calling us as if they are trying to establish contact and every agency in US is calling us and asking why ~~we~~ don't we answer.

F That's something to put down on the books some time definitely.

F I know you were working on ~~one~~ this morning.

F that's right.

F That's all I have. You will tell Mr Denny I will let him know if and when the tests we were talking about and arrangements have been completed to

F Also we will try to arrange in such a way that these tests won't be on this frequency. I don't think there will be any trouble.

F Those tests we were telling you about. Those tests we will be using 17120. That's WOA 6. So it won't interfere with operation on this circuit.

F By the way, you gave over to the control room - long list of frequencies the other day. Those frequencies and some of them you know the - (services?).

F Tell you what I would like to do. Get together with you tomorrow. Chew it over for a bit. Such a long list of frequencies. I would rather than have the whole list here. If we have them what would be available. Like to be sure of myself.

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the system.

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a fear we were getting you about. Those fears we will be
in the system. I don't think those will be any longer.
We will try to eliminate in short a way that those fears now, if
needed to

the fears we were getting about and elimination have been
as all I have. You will tell us when I will let you know if and
as later.

Now you were working on one this morning.
It is something to be done on the books some time continuing.
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- F We have frequencies which we ~~normally~~ use. Assume those are still the same.
- F Notice on the list 4 frequencies between ~~xxxx~~ 6 & 7 megacycles and 5 around 9 and 10.
- F I would rather have ~~xxxxxxx~~ for our usual list not more than 2.
- F. Sure, I see.
- F It is getting harder all the time.
- F Okay John and thanks very much.
- F T You betcha.
- F. Thank you I will and many of them.
close.

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

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CCB/1103/148

7 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Radiotelephone Service to the United States.

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

1. Reference is made to your letter, subject same as above, file CCG/1162-1, dated 8 Jan 1945, in which you forwarded for approval a draft of proposed censorship regulations for radiotelephone service between Italy and the United States.

2. This is to advise you that the proposed regulations meet with the approval of interested staff sections of this headquarters.

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

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

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Copy to:

G-5, AFHQ
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C. G. G. G.*

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1 TRANSMITTER (IR) 15KW
AS OF MARCH 1 WILL HAVE
1 TRANSMITTER (IR) 15KW

MOSCOW TRANSMITTER WOULD HANDLE BUCHAREST +
SOEPA.

SPORE TO OSTI ON FEB. 11 AND HT 7/94
RAISE QUESTION OF USING THESE TRANSMITTERS FOR
USE ON US & UK RADIO TELEGRAPH

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US & UK

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MINISTERO DELLE CORPORAZIONI

10-2-45

0930A

Memorandum per telephone Capt. Merin
AFHQ

Test on New York - Rome R/T
circuit will be postponed until
Feb 13, at 1515 Z instead of Feb 10th
ATT not quite ready

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Cod. R. 11-12 informed }
Mentore " }
PWB " }
A. C. 11 " }

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: EX 22859
 Date/Time of Origin: FEB 08/1128A

Message Centre No: D/1177
 Date/Time Rec'd: FEB 09/0945
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED ALEXANDER SITE: PHSIG
 TO: PAC USACE, SPSCOL, HONORARY SICO AND DIRECTOR OF COMALCOM.

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Our messages PX 19667 to AGWAR and P 19467 to ROME AREA both of 2 February are references. Wish to make tests on ROME-NEW YORK radio telephone circuit 10 February at 1515 Z. station IRY from ITALY will use frequency 17820 kcs. ROME will listen for both stations WOA2 on 18930 kcs and WOT4 on 13370 until initial contact made.

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Action: COMMUNICATIONS S/C
 Info: A/PRESIDENT
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: ASX/692
 Date Time of Origin: FEB 061400A

Message Centre No: D/903
 Date Time Rec'd: FEB 061726A
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: SIGNAL OFFICER ROME AREA

TO : ACTION TO (a) SECRETARY COMBINED COMMUNICATION BOARD AFHQ: INFORMATION TO
 (b) DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMM ALCOM (c) CSO AFHQ

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Equipment ROME terminal of ROME-NEW YORK radiotelephone ready for test by
 8 February beginning 1515 GMT. Notify all concerned.

SPURE TO LT LOTT. 1/2 HE HAS GIVEN

INFO TO AFHQ ON

PROPOSAL TO USE RATES ASIA

ATT AGREEMENT 1939

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INFO-ACTION: Communications S/C
 INFO: A/President
 Chief Commissioner
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Date <u>7/2/45</u>

sent Al Bremer copy
 of 37 27th with note
 attached re telephone conv
 AFHQ.



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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: F 19457
 Date/Time of Origin: FEB 02/1542A

Message Centre No: D/441
 Date/Time Rec'd: FEB 03/0940
 Precedence: DEFERRED

FROM: HQ FROM FIELD SIGNED BACKED
 TO: ROME AREA

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For signal officer and director Com Alcom further our E 15099
 of 27 January.

Now advised by AGRAH that from the UNITED STATES AT and T stations
 WOA 2 on frequency 18930 kcs and WOT 4 on 13370 kcs will transmit to
 ROME with 80 kw peak power. Service will be part of forked circuit
 already operated from UNITED STATES to MOSCOW and SOUTH AMERICA. Please
 furnish call sign of Italoradio station and approximate date you
 suggest for opening link. Times of operation will be from 1515 Z to
 1720 Z daily with possible extension of operating hours if traffic
 warrants.

NOTE TO CHECK WITH MARTINATO & REEVE AS TO PROVIDED DATE
 FOR COMMENCING TESTS WHICH

DIST STATED ON IN FOR STAFF

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Action: COMMUNICATIONS S/C DAYS -
 Info: A/PRESIDENT ALSO SHULD
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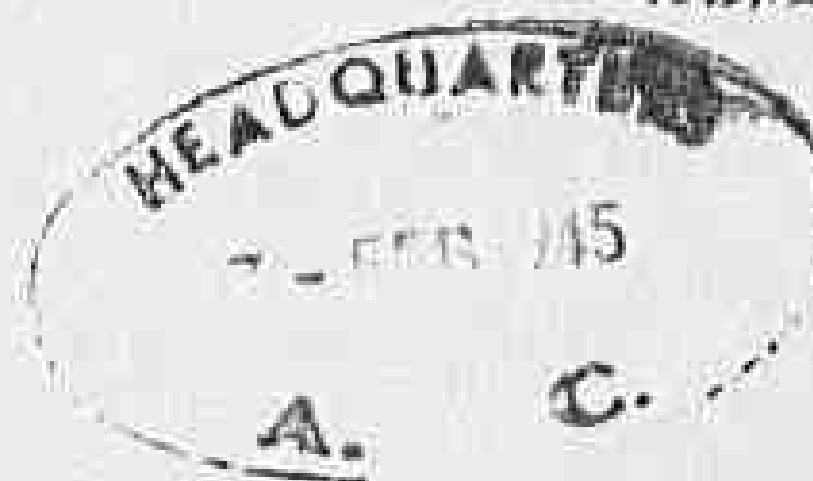
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COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION HQ. A.C. APO 394 2nd February, 1945

TO: A.F.H.Q. G-5 SECTION APO 512 U.S.ARMV

1. Hours proposed for operating circuit are daily 1515 Z to 1720 Z and Sunday 1500 Z to 1720 Z. This information already transmitted by Signal Officer R.A.A.C. to Secretary Combined Signals Board A.F.H.Q. with message ASX 479 January 20th, 1945 and referred to AGWAR as per A.F.H.Q. message F 16099 January 27th, 1945 to Signal Officer R.A.A.C. Suggest you consult Signal Section A.F.H.Q. for details time operation and frequency.

2. It is confirmed that censorship control will be conducted under direct supervision of Allied Officers of Civil Censorship Group Italy.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/as

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G-5: 311.23-1

1 February 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Apart from the information already forwarded by you it is requested that you will inform this HQ urgently of the hours proposed by you for operating the Rome-U.S. radio telephone circuit and that you will confirm that it is intended that censorship will be conducted by allied officers examiners of the Civil Censorship Group Italy.

2. It is anticipated that the censorship regulations already submitted by you will be approved very shortly.

3. G-2(CG) state that they have applied to the War Dept. for the approved list of "sponsors" who will be permitted to make "TOPS" calls from the United States.

4. You will appreciate that before the service can start, advance notice with all details will have to be sent from here to Washington and it will be necessary to include the information in 1 above.

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

T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel

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READER
ALLIED CORP.
A/C 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489081 Ext: 333

30th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: A.179. 1.08

Subject: Rome - New York Radio Telephone Circuit

To: Italcable
Via Calabria 46-48,
Rome

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1. With reference to your letter number 963 dated 27th January, 1945, the following arrangements have been made with Lt. Lockwood of R.A.A.C. All of the equipment at Porrenova and Malnosa mentioned in your letter will not be derequisitioned but will be loaned to Italcable from 1500 GMT to 1700 GMT daily except Sundays. On Sundays the equipment will be made available from 1500 GMT to 1700 GMT.

2. In addition to the above-mentioned time negotiations are now taking place for time from 2300 GMT to 0600 GMT daily.

3. The equipment at the Central Office (Via del Moratto) should be checked and placed in working order with the least practicable delay. Investigation is being made to determine whether this equipment is included in requisition. If so, you will be informed so that you may make application to Signal Officer R.A.A.C. for derequisitioning.

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J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Lt. Col. L.F. Reeves
Signal Officer R.A.A.C.

Lt. Lott.

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ITALCA

SERVIZI C-BLOGRAFICI RADIOTELEFONICI
SOCIETÀ PER AZIONI-CAPITALE L. 11.11.43
SEDE IN ROMA

DIREZIONE GENERALE

REPARTO Manutenzione e Impianti

REP. 863

To: Allied Commission
Communications Sub-commission
R o m e

copy to: Signal Officer Rome Area
Mr. J. King P.W.B. Communications

Rome-New York radiotelephone circuit

With reference to your enquiry as to the plant which we deem necessary to have derequisitioned in order to operate the radiotelephone circuit between Rome and New York, attached please find a list of same.

Yours truly

1 encl.
CEM/ag

ROMA, 27th January 1945

VIA CALABRIA 46-48 (CASSELLA POSTALE 1384-0)

D/Inspector *mt*
Chief Telephone
Chief Postal
H. G. Long
Asst. Chief Postal
Censorship
Chief Clerk

ITALCABLE

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE SIGNAL OFFICER
APO 794, US ARMY.

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26 January 1945

Subject: Correction of Minutes of Conference held 10 January
1945.

To: Lt Col REEVES - Signal Officer, RAAC.
Lt Col SCUDMER - Communications Sub-Commission, AC.
Maj ENGLER - AFHQ.
Capt HERRIN - AFHQ.
Lt LOFT - Communications Sub-Commission, AC.
Mr. King - PWB.
Mr MARTINATO - Director, Italcable - Italradio.
Dr Fano - Minister of Communications.

1. An error has been reported in the minutes of the conference held in the office of the Signal Officer, RAAC, on 10 January 1945, to discuss the setting up of Rome-Moscow and Rome - New York radio circuits.

2. Par.c (2) is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

c. General.

(1) -----

(2) Parts and replacements - PWB agrees to render such assistance as is available to them to Italradio in setting up ^{the} equipment.

LOUIS P. REEVES
Lt Col, Sig C,
Signal Officer

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: F 16672
Date/Time of Origin: JAN 20 1617

Message Centre No: C/9770
Date/Time Rec'd: JAN 29 0830
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AMHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHOGG

TO: AICOM

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(Reur 647 of 27 January)

Details of control measures referred to in last paragraph of your 9376 of 6 January still awaited. Submission and approval of these must be condition precedent to issue of general letter regarding service to which you refer.

Called Col. Henderson at Naples 30/1/45 he
will take up
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HEADQUARTERS
29 JAN 1945
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: T-15099
 Date/Time of Origin: JAN 27 1945

Message Centre No: 3/9670
 Date/Time Rec'd: JAN 27 2015A
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED SITE TUSIG
 TO: HQ HOME AREA FOR SIGC, INFO DIRECTOR FOR ALCON

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Message ASX/479 of 26 January noted. Arrangements will be completed with ACWAR and your office advised.

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 Chief Commissioner
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Date 20/1/45

MINUTES OF MEETING AT IN OFFICE OF GEORGE W. ELMAN
AT 3 P.M. 17 JANUARY, 1945.

PRESENT: Mr. Elman, RMB (in the Chair) Capt. Tervola, FMB
 Major Klein, FMB Mr. Burnham, FMB
 Mr. Lockwood, FMB Capt. Lockhouse, FMB
 Mr. Thomas, FMB Mr. King, FMB
 Mr. Bondy, FMB Capt. Bishoy, FMB

A meeting was held at 3 p.m. on 17 January, 1945 to discuss providing the use of the Hope transmitter on a radio telephone circuit between Rome and New York, subject of an original request by Lt. Col. Reeves of FMB to release 8 hours time to Italcable, a commercial organization.

The time specifically requested was 1500 to 1700 hours - or some time between 1200 and 1700 hours if the specific time requested was not available.

After discussion it was decided that there is only one transmitter suitable for the job - the Hope transmitter, which is being used for FMB radio-photo, AFHQ FMB communiques and FMB broadcasts. Another modulator is badly needed. There are two transmitters available, with a common modulator capable of modulating only one transmitter. In view of the directive of Mr. James A. Linn at a meeting held the morning of 17 January that this time must be found, the following points were arrived at:

RCA has equipment which could be used for such a telephone circuit which, at the moment, is not in service. The services, however, could be made. Ideally, there would be a charge for using these facilities. At this time, we are not in a position to supply another modulator for the transmitter. We have not the equipment.

Mr. Thomas made the point that by eliminating our radio-photo service, we would be in the position of paying to transmit these pictures to New York and Johannesburg, etc. in order that an Italian commercial agency could make some money on this transmitter of ours. If we relinquish our radio-photo time, we should have to pay to get these pictures back to London, New York, Johannesburg, Stockholm, in order that an Italian commercial firm can operate the circuit on a profit-making basis - which is a losing proposition obviously.

It was brought out that as long as FMB, as a military organization, requires any facilities that are now existing, we would retain them, as long as we operate in a military or quasi-military

Put this in the file
 Radio Telephone to USA
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PRESENT: Mr. Edman, SAC (in the Chair) Cent. Tervola, PFC
Major Aleiz, PFC Mr. Burnham, PFC
Lt. Lockwood, PFC Cent. Eckhouse, PFC
Mr. Thomas, PFC Mr. King, PFC
Mr. Bondy, PFC Capt. Foskey, PFC

A meeting was held at 3 p.m. on 17 January, 1945 to discuss providing the use of the Hope transmitter on a radio telephone circuit between Rome and New York, subject of an original request by Lt. Col. Reeves of PMAO to release 2 hours time to Italcable, a commercial organization.

The time specifically requested was 1500 to 1700 hours - or some time between 1200 and 1700 hours if the specific time requested was not available.

After discussion it was decided that there is only one transmitter suitable for the job - the Hope transmitter, which is being used for PAB radio-photo, AFHQ PAB communiques and PAB broadcasts. Another modulator is badly needed. There are two transmitters available, with a common modulator capable of modulating only one transmitter. In view of the directive of Mr. James A. Linen at a meeting held the morning of 17 January that this time must be found, the following points were arrived at:

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It was brought out that as long as IAF, as a military organization, requires any facilities that are now existing, we would retain them, as long as we operate in a military or quasi-military organization. We can only reduce our communication and broadcasting requirements if the need for news and propaganda dissemination is reduced accordingly.

It was demonstrated that from 0525 GMT in the morning until 2300 hours at night, the transmitter time is entirely occupied, with the exception of 30 minutes during the time - which is used for frequency changes, repairs, etc.

Capt. Busley advised that by dropping out a Chungking program - which is not working very well - an hour could be had from

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12 noon to 1 p.m. local time. The time requested is in the normal working day hours - both in Rome and Washington - which means between 1 and 5 p.m. in the afternoon here. It was mentioned that this service by Italcable would be a duplication of the service already maintained by RCA.

The following points were discussed:

1. This time requested will be to further a commercial interest - which required two hours on our transmitter schedule, during business hours, on the radio telephone. During our discussion, we were cognizant of the fact that this is to make it possible for a commercial operation to function.

2. One hour was found. Another hour could be available if they can find a modulator that would operate the transmitter, or supply equipment to build another modulator for a 20 kw. transmitter. It was presumed they could probably do this, if they really want the time. It is believed this equipment can be found by Italcable if they are granted the time. The only difficulty in finding the time would be the frequency used, which would be up to AFHQ. If they can find a modulator, two transmitters can be used at one time. The matter of supplying tubes, etc. is to be placed before AC. FMB is not authorized to sell any equipment. The channel is through the Italian Government, who puts the request to AC. One hour, then, to be granted, provided Italcable maintains it.

It was pointed out by Major Klein that in the final phase of the war radio is going to be the most powerful weapon; all are paying more attention to it - listening to our broadcasts on Italian sets. We must husband our resources for the final phase of the war. Presently we are dependent entirely on our transmitters to reach northern Italy points. There is nothing in Florence we could use. We must count on Rome operation and protect it.

3. If these things are done, they must not interfere with FMB forward operations, as laid down for us in a clear directive from AFHQ. At present there is no time on Hope transmitter at all. The date line for this proposed time is June 1st. However, it is stated that a censorship line has already been set up at Italcable. There has been no authority given, however, for starting the service. Colonel Scudler of AC says it might be soon, but more likely June 1st. It was decided that by June 1st, schedules might be rearranged - as well as the matter of frequencies.

4. It was further decided that care should be exercised in allotting frequencies. The frequency granted should be somewhere below 13 mega, inasmuch as the two transmitters are supplementary. Therefore

12 noon to 1 p.m. local time. The time requested is in the normal working day hours - both in Rome and Washington - which means between 1 and 5 p.m. in the afternoon here. It was mentioned that this service by Italcable would be a duplication of the service already maintained by RCA.

The following points were discussed:

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4. It was further decided that care should be exercised in allotting frequencies. The frequency granted should be somewhere below 13 megs, inasmuch as the two transmitters are supplementary. Therefore the frequency allotment must be such that it will fall in the transmitter not transmitting for PAB. HF - 13 megs. LF - 15-17 megs. Otherwise it will be out of bounds.

DISTRIBUTION:

Mr. Egan
Major Klein
Lt. Lockwood
Mr. Thomas

Mr. Brady
Capt. Farvella
Mr. Burnham
Capt. Bokhouse

Mr. King
Capt. Pushey
Mr. Rayner
Mr. Lisen

Col. Reeves RAAC
Col. Henderson AC

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27 JANUARY 1945

ROUTINE

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UNRECORDED ITALY RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE IS SUBJECT PAPER

TO AFTER THE SERVICE FIVE FIVE PM ALONG RICHARD STONE

ALL TECHNICAL DETAILS THIS WAS NOT ARRANGED PD

THAT THE WE REPORT LATER MENTIONED PARA FIVE FOUR LATER JANUARY

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489081 Ext: 333

25th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: R.129.28.C3

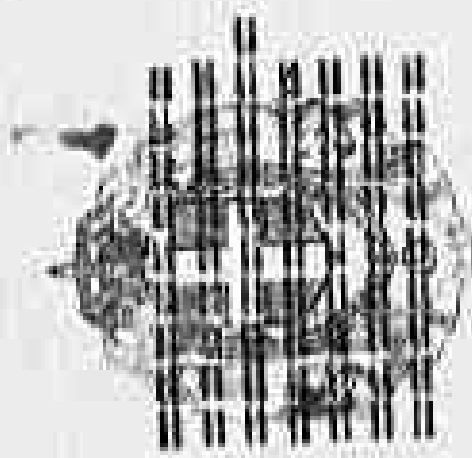
Subject : Radio Telephone Service, Rome - United States

To : H.E. The Under-Secretary of State for PP, TT.

1. Reference is made to your letter of January 23, 1945 Prot 28985/276 Ufficio 3 inquiring as to censorship regulations on Rome - U.S.A. Radio Telephone circuit when established.
2. Such regulations have not yet been determined but will be transmitted to you as soon as known.
3. Frequencies have not yet been allocated nor has time on the only available transmitter been agreed upon.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Ministero delle Comunicazioni

AZIENDA DI STATO PER I SERVIZI TELEFONICI

REPARTO III UFFICIO 3

Prot. N. 28985/276 Allegato
Nord America

OGGETTO Servizio radiotelefonico intercontinentale fra l'Italia e gli Stati Uniti d'America.

Proposta al N. 2
del

Si sono iniziate trattative fra la Società ITALCABLE di Roma e l'American Telegraph Telephone Company per il ripristino del servizio radiotelefonico fra l'Italia e gli Stati Uniti d'America, mediante il collegamento radioelettrico Roma - New York.

A Roma verrebbero utilizzati gli impianti della Società ITALCABLE.

Si gradirebbe conoscere in che modo codesta Commissione intende sia provveduto al servizio di censura delle conversazioni quando il servizio, limitato al solo traffico Ufficiale e di Stampa, potrà iniziarsi.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Telecomunicazioni

A P O. 394

Director
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Chief Telecom

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Procl. N. 23985/273
Nord America

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Sottocommissione Telecomunicazioni

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Minutes of Meeting to discuss the Establishment of the Rome -
New York and Rome - Moscow Radio Circuits.

1. Meeting called at 0900 hours, 10 January 1945, at Office of Signal Officer, RAAC.

2. Those present:

→ Lt Col REEVES - Signal Officer, RAAC.
Lt Col SCUDDER - Communications Sub-Commission, AC.
Maj ENGLER - AFHQ.
Capt HERRIN - AFHQ.
Lt LOTT - Communications Sub-Commission, AC.
Mr. King - PWB.
Mr. Martinato - Director, Italcable-Italradio.
Dr. Fano - Minister of Communications.

3. Introductory remarks by Lt Col REEVES: - Meeting was called to discuss details of the establishment of the Rome - New York and Rome - Moscow radio circuits.

4. Maj ENGLER outlined the present status of arrangements and went briefly over the past agreements and discussions.

5. The following are points discussed and agreements reached at this meeting, reported:

a. Rome - New York.

(1) Mr. King stated that station IQA-IRF was the only one now equipped for voice modulation, that they, (PWB) were now using it from 0600 to 2300 hours daily, leaving 7 hours idle time during the night. Mr. King was asked to see if it could be released during hours of 1500 and 1700 in order to catch normal office hours here in Rome and Eastern seaboard of U.S.

(2) Mr. Martinato asked if service was confined to Rome. He was answered that for the present, due to circuit conditions, this service would be confined to Rome.

(3) Mr. King stated that when final arrangements for opening the circuit were made, PWB would require 10 days notice in order to inform their correspondents of change of schedule.

(4) Mr. Martinato asked about censorship. Lt Col SCUDDER stated that only English, French, Portuguese and Spanish are authorized at the present. Extension of this list would be subject to rulings by the Political Section of AC.

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Rome - Moscow

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Minutes of Meeting, 10 January 1945, (Continued).

(5) Regarding the location of a central point or points in Rome from which the subscriber will talk, Lt Col REEVES stated that special circuits could be set up at any point. However for the present, it is not recommended that the service be opened to any telephone in Rome until such time that the condition of the cables and central office equipment of TETI be improved to provide high grade circuits.

b. Rome - Moscow.

(1) Maj ENGLER stated that definite frequency allocations had not been made, however the frequencies proposed were in the 8 and 13 megacycle bands. If this be the case then stations IRS and IRX will be used. IRS being now used by PWB which they have agreed to relinquish. IRX being now used by C&W on stand-by basis, Capt HERRIN stated that he thought that C&W had been contacted and had agreed to relinquish. This is to be checked by Lt Col REEVES.

(2) Mr. Martinato was asked to check if station IRS or IRX could be arranged for rapid switching of bands as an alternative for using two stations.

(3) In the matter of the terminal equipment, Mr. King agreed to assist in assembling the necessary equipment and submit list to Signal Officer, RAAC, for release to Italradio.

c. General.

(1) Space - Rooms 2 and 7, Via del Moretto, to be released to Italradio.

(2) Parts and replacements - PWB will render assistance to Italradio in securing necessary spare parts and will arrange to sell such of them to Italradio that cannot be secured from commercial sources.

(3) Signal Officer, RAAC, is cognizant of space requirements of RCA, PWB and C&W, in the plant of Italcable-Italradio, such space requirements of Italradio as needed now or in the future will be correlated with the requirements of these agencies in such manner as not to interfere with their operations while on military or quasi military status.

Louis P. Reeves
LOUIS P. REEVES
Lt Col, Sig C,
Signal Officer.

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In reply
refer to: R.129.25.C3

19th January, 1945

Subject : Radio Telephone Service from Italy

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

Reference your G-5: 311.23-1 dated 17th January, 1945.

1. It is regretted that an error has been made in this matter; your original letter of 4th January had already been received here.
2. The letter which we are awaiting is the reply to our C.119.13.C3 dated 4th January on the subject of censorship regulations on the Rome - Moscow radio telegraph circuit; this office was verbally informed that a letter from you dated 4th January was a reply but this is evidently not the case.

3. We are still anxious to receive your comments on the Moscow censorship routine proposals.

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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*8203/24*ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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17 January 1945

G-5: 311.23-1

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Col. Henderson).

Verbal information has been received to the effect that you have not as yet received our G-5: 311.23-1 of 4 January 1945. Therefore, a copy is attached herewith for your information and action.

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

F.J. Slaughter
F.J. SLAUGHTER
Captain AGD
Incl:
ltr as above.

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Chief, Telecoms	
Chief, Postal	
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APO 512

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

[Signature]
F.J. SLAUGHTER
Captain AGO

Incl:
Ltr as above.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 311.23-1

4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to G-5: 311.23-1 of 26 November which enclosed a copy of MAT 425.

2. Attached is a copy of TAM 407 which has been received in reply.

3. Subject to any comments you have to make on the cable it would appear that the next step is for you to request the Chief Signal Officer to make available the necessary equipment and it is requested that you proceed accordingly.

4. It is further requested that plans for security control to be exercised over the circuit be submitted here for approval as soon as possible.

5. When the service is technically ready to operate and the security controls have been agreed a letter will then be issued from this HQ to all concerned giving details of the service and the restrictions to be placed on user.

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

(Init) T.B.J.
T.B. JACKMAN
Lt. ColonelIncl:
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894
Communications Sub-Commission

CGG/1162-4

11 January 1945

SUBJECT: Radiotelephone Service to the United States.

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 (CC), AFHQ,
APO 812, U. S. Army.

1. It is desired that United States Censorship be informed through proper channels that the officials appearing on the appended list have been authorized to make or sponsor calls from Italy by radiotelephone.

2. No so-called "TOPS" calls originating in Italy are authorized. It is requested that this headquarters be furnished a list of United States Government officials who are permitted "TOPS" privilege.

3. The languages permitted to be used on the radiotelephone circuit are English, French, Spanish and Portuguese.

J. L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

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PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE OR SPONSOR CALLS FROM ITALY BY
RADIO/TELEPHONE

Advisory Council

The Honorable Alexander Kirk	(American)
Sir Noel Mazlou	(British)
Major General Snoloparov	(Russian)
M. Maurice Gerve de Larville	(French)
M. George Dimitaria	(Greek)
Dr. Josip Tadicak	(Yugoslav)

~~ALL MEMBERS OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HOLDING MINIST~~ ~~RANK~~
Diplomatic Missions

Signor Mikhail Kostikov, USSR Ambassador
M. E. Vasco da Cunha, Brazilian Charge d'Affaires
Signor Mario Carlos Ramos, Mexican Charge d'Affaires

Consulates

George Carlier, Belgian Consul General
H. E. Vlachakis Vassil, Czechoslovak Consul General
H. E. P. M. Grandjean, Netherlands 1/Consul General
Stanislaw Wlaczek-Kowalski, Polish Consul General

Mr. Byron Taylor
The Acting President, Mr. Harold Macmillan
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission
Chief of Staff, Allied Commission
Brigadier Maurice S. Lamb (British)
Vice-President, Allied Commission

and
Lt. H. C. Schott - Political Section
Mr. Henry L. M.A. Kopelman - Political Section
Col. Norman E. Pink - Detachment Section
Col. Leonard B. Bensmore - Economic Section
Capt. G. R. Upjohn - Civil Affairs Section

Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA - Mr. Spurgeon Keeny

Director for War Relief - American Red Cross -
Mr. William Jefferson

Commissioner, British Red Cross
Lt. Gen. Sir Kenneth Holland

~~ALL~~ PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE CALLS

~~Press~~ ~~Press Agencies~~ ~~AND~~

~~ALL MEMBERS OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HOLDING~~ ~~THE RANK OF~~
PRESS CALLS ; MINISTER

ALL ACCREDITED CORRESPONDANTS

ALL ACCREDITED PRESS AGENCIES

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

CCG/1162-3

8 January 1945 *file*

SUBJECT: Radiotelephone Service to the United States.

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

1. Reference R.129.9. CS of 1 December 1944.
2. Attached is one copy of proposed censorship operating instructions. Copies are being forwarded to G-2 (CC), AFHQ, for approval.

A. J. Ferrone
A. J. FERRONE,
Commander, USNR,
Acting Civil Censorship Officer.

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

CGG/1182-3

8 January 1945

SUBJECT: Radiotelephone Service to the United States.

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Headquarters Allied Commission,
APO 394, U. S. Army.

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CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS FOR RADIOTELEPHONE SERVICE BETWEEN
ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES

Government Calls

1. Calls originating in Italy.

- (a) Must be from one of the individuals on attached approved list, or an official sponsored by one on this list.
- (b) Normally, all calls will be made from the official telephone booth provided for this purpose at the radiotelephone stations of Italcable in Rome.
- (c) Private calls will not be allowed, except in cases of Allied Sovereigns or the Heads of Allied Governments.
- (d) No calls originating in Italy will be granted "TOPS" privileges.

2. Calls originating in the United States.

- (a) All calls passed by the United States Censorship are subject to the approval of Civil Censorship, Italy. (See "TOPS" calls, 3(c) 1.)
- (b) Must be made by (1) an individual on the Civil Censorship Approved List; (2) an official sponsored by one on this list; (3) Allied Sovereigns; or (4) Heads of Allied Governments.
- (c) "TOPS" calls originating in the United States will be passed by Civil Censorship, Italy. Such calls shall be identified by the operator in the United States by announcing the word "TOPS" before the communication starts.

3. All calls, except those indicated in 1(c) and 2(c) above, must be confined to official business.

4. Prohibited Subjects. Subjects which may not be mentioned in calls include: movements or locations of ships, troops, or aircraft; positions of airfields, guns or service establishments; details of operations, arms, munitions, explosives, casualties, damage to any part of the armed forces of the United Nations, or to any transportation; details of location, time, or effect of air raids; details of any defense organization; mention of people arrested or interned; mention of movements of United Nations government or service officials or agents; confirmation of telegraph, cable or radio messages.

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5. Languages: English, French, Spanish and Portuguese may be used, subject to availability of language censors.

6. Warnings: The censor will read the following warning to the local party, prior to the start of the conversation:
 "In the interest of Allied security, you are requested to refrain from discussing departure or arrival, name or location of ships, military topics of any kind, technical weather information or any other information which may be of aid or comfort to the enemy."

No reference is to be made to the date, number, or text of any cable or radiogram."

7. Any call may be interrupted by the censor if:
- (a) Any language other than that approved for the call is used.
 - (b) It is thought that a code is being used.
 - (c) Other than official business is discussed. For exceptions, see 1(c) and 2(c).
 - (d) Another speaker other than the one for whom the call has been approved attempts to converse.
 - (e) Either party commits any indiscretion by failing to comply with the warning or discloses any information of possible value to the enemy.

8. Interrupting the call.

- (a) "Tone" calls will not be interrupted except in cases where substantial danger to Allied security is involved. If inadvertent disclosures are made, the Censor will interrupt and warn those talking that the enemy is listening. The conversation will continue only if those who are talking decide that the urgency of the situation warrants the sacrifice of secrecy.
- (b) All calls other than "Tone".
 The censor will interrupt calls to warn the local party when violations of security or indiscretions are committed. If parties persist in violating security or the regulations contained herein, the censor will terminate the call.
- (c) During the conversation, all warnings to the local party must be passed on to the party in the United States.

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PRESS CALLS ORIGINATING IN ITALY

1. All calls will consist of the reading of a script previously censored by Field Press Censorship.
2. A copy of the previously-censored script must be submitted to Civil Censorship in sufficient time prior to the establishing of the call.
3. Radiotelephone censors will monitor all press calls.
4. Censors will terminate any call which deviates from the previously-censored script.
5. All press calls will be made from the official booth at the radiotelephone terminals of Italcable in Rome.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489031 Ext: 333

6th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: C.129.21.C8

Subject: International Communications

Dear Mr. Livengood,

You asked me for the present status of (a) Radio telegraph link Moscow - Rome and (b) Radio telephone link Rome - U.S.A.

a. We have asked for assignment of frequencies and instructions have been given to release equipment needed in Rome. Service is authorized to begin January 15th, but I am sceptical of all the arrangements being completed by then.

b. Due to some ambiguity in a telegram from Washington we have requested confirmation that service is approved. We feel fairly certain that it is, but want to be sure. We have asked for assignment of frequencies and release of equipment. My estimate is that we shall be lucky if we inaugurate service by February 15th.

Yours Sincerely,

H.H. SCUDDER
Lt. Colonel,
D/Director.

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To: Mr. Charles Livengood
U.S. Embassy
Rome

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LANGUAGES THIS END SEA NO OBJECTION TO CALLS TRANSMITTING THE UNITED
STATES PD

REQUEST INFORMATION WORKING PERIODS OF SERVICE PD

DETAILS OF CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU FOR APPROVAL
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: FX 79382
 Date/Time of Origin: JAN 051137

Message Centre No: C/6616
 Date Time Rec'd: JAN 051430
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE BRCEG
 TO: ALCOM

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(Reur 9234 of 4 January)

See G 5 memo 311.23-1 of 4 January which answers your query. Signals will treat second paragraph of your cable as request for equipment and allocation of frequencies

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/as *(18)*

G-5: 311.23-1

4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to G-5: 311.23-1 of 28 November which enclosed a copy of MAT 425.

2. Attached is a copy of TAM 407 which has been received in reply.

3. Subject to any comments you have to make on the cable it would appear that the next step is for you to request the Chief Signal Officer to make available the necessary equipment and it is requested that you proceed accordingly.

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

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

Incl:
as above

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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4 January 1945

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5. When the service is technically ready to operate and the security controls have been agreed a letter will then be issued from this HQ to all concerned giving details of the service and the restrictions to be placed on user.

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

T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. ColonelIncl:
as aboveCopy to: Sigs (SIS)
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Office of Brit Res Min
" " U.S. Polad

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TO: G-5 Section,
A.S.H.S.,
APO 512

Received 1 copy(ies) of cable WX 82625, 27 December 1944,

MC IN 21332, copy no. 3.

Signed _____

Rank _____

Section _____

(Date) _____

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ROUTINE

FROM: AGUAR FROM CCS

TO : ALEXANDER INFORMATION UK BASE SECTION FOR ECS AND TO
COMMUNICATION ZONE

REF NO THIS MESSAGE: WX 82625, 27 December 1944

FOR FHGEQ.

Cite CCAC.

TAM 407.

Refer MAT 425 and MAT 460.

Resumption of international radio-telephone service
with ITALY.

1. US Cable Censorship is prepared at any time, with 5 days advance notice, to handle censorship of radio-telephone service with ITALY.

2. At this time, US Cable Censorship is unable to handle telephone calls in Italian. At present, therefore, calls must be made in English, French, Spanish or Portuguese. Information is requested which of these 4 languages will be permitted at Italian end. Serious consideration is being given to all factors involved in opening telecommunication service to the Italian language. 7159

3. No mention is made whether AFHQ approves calls which may be made over proposed circuit, between ROME and points outside US (that is transiting the US). Unless advised to the contrary, US Cable Censorship will NOT interfere with

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such calls but will leave it to censorship in ITALY to deny or pass such calls.

4. Concerning the limitations proposed on types of persons to be permitted to use the service, US Cable Censorship proposes the following:

A. Government calls will be permitted the representatives of all (non-enemy) governments except the following: ARGENTINA, EIRE, PORTUGAL, SPAIN, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, and TURKEY.

B. US Cable Censorship will NOT undertake to stop calls filed by military representatives of Governments other than those listed in sub-paragraph (A) above, but understands that if calls are filed from US by military representatives of Governments other than those listed in subparagraph (A) above, they may be denied at Italian end.

C. Except for press and UNRRA calls, NO non-Government calls will be permitted by US Censorship on proposed circuit.

5. The restrictions proposed on the subject matter of calls (items 3A, 3C, and 3D, of MAT 425) are among those ordinarily prohibited by US Censorship regulations. US Cable Censorship will cooperate to prevent discussion of the matters listed in these items.

6. All conversations will be monitored at US end.

NOTE: MAT 425 IS REF FX 59218 MC OUT 7977 27/11/44 G-5
MAT 460 IS REF FX 69635 MC OUT 5847 16/12/44 G-5

ACTION: G-5

INFORMATION: SGS SIGNALS G-2
US POLAD MR MACMILLAN AG RECORDS

MC IN 21332 28 Dec 44 0114A Ref. No. WX 82625 K/L/G

JLM/epc

4th January, 1945

In reply
refer to: H.129.14.65

Subject: Radio Telephone Service Between U.K. and Italy.

To: A.F.H.C.
Att: G-5

Reference your Jll.23-1 dated 30th December, 1944.

1. The matter arose over the proposal originated from the U.S. to restore the pre-war radio-telephone service between the U.S. and Italy. This was recommended by this Commission in our letter Jll.23 dated 6th November, of which a copy is attached, in which the reasons for recommending this restoration of service are stated. Since then, approval in principle has been given for this service.
2. The setting up of a U.K. to Italy link does not provide an entirely parallel case and the arguments for it are not so strong. The same general reasons given for the U.S. service apply: against this, the service did not exist pre-war and would only be a provisional installation pending restoration of the international land-line telephone facilities.
3. We do however recommend the opening of a U.K. to Italy service for the purpose of accelerating military and rehabilitation projects if it can be done without serious detriment to the war effort in the U.K.
4. There is the possibility that, if the circuit is not fully loaded and military security considerations permit, personal communications between members of the Allied Forces and their families might be allowed. If this should be the case, the excellent effect on the morale of troops serving overseas is a strong argument in favour and might be borne in mind.

ELLERY S. STONE
Rear Admiral USNR.
Chief Commissioner

Incl: One letter

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EWS/afs

6 November, 1944

A/CC 311.23

Subject: Radio Telephone Service from Italy

To : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. In letter GS/2/9/4 the recommendation was made by this Commission that radio telephone communications between Italy and the United States should be resumed.

2. In view of the fact that this service would not be for ordinary civilian use but would be a means of accelerating military and rehabilitation projects, and pursuant to the Hyde Park declarations of the President and Prime Minister since reinforced by the resumption of diplomatic relations between Italy and the United States, I wish to express my strong support of this project and my urgent recommendation that this service be authorized as desired by the U.S. State Department.

ELLENY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR.
Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: U.S. Political Adviser, AFHQ
British Resident Minister, AFHQ
U.S. Ambassador
British Ambassador
R.A.A.C. Signal Officer

Communications S/C
Chief of Staff
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ROUTINE

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RESTORATION OF RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE HOME NEW YORK PD

NOT CLEAR IF DISCUSSIONS ON CENSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS IN MAT FOUR

TWO FIVE ETC GIVE APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE BY AFHQ AND CCS FOR

OPENING OF SERVICE PD

IS THIS APPROVED QUERY

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE AND CCS RPTD RAAG FOR SIG OFF FROMHQ ALONG FROM HARDERSON SIGNED STONE PAREN

IF AGREED CMA REQUEST RELEASE OF TRANSMITTER INK ROBERT FOX AND

TWO PANELS OF DIVERSITY RECEIVER AND ALLOCATION OF FREQUENCIES ⁷¹⁵⁶

FOR SERVICE

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 912

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G-5: 311.23-1

30 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Radio - Telephone Service between UK and Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Troopers has advised this headquarters that before consideration will be given the establishment of radio - telephone service between UK and Italy, it will be necessary to submit a formal application stating why such service is essential.

2. If it can be established that radio - telephone service between UK and Italy is essential to the war effort, formal application should be submitted to this headquarters for onward transmission.

3. Troopers emphasises that the only UK radio - telephone service with countries overseas now operating are restricted services with the United States, Canada and Moscow, and service on telegraphic demand only with Switzerland confined to official calls concerning repatriation and kindred matters.

4. Troopers further states that services of this nature cannot be made safe from interception by the enemy and should not be set up unless absolutely necessary.

5. Your views and recommendations in connection with the above would be appreciated.

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

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F. J. Slaughter
F. J. SLAUGHTER,
Captain, A.G.D.

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Chief Telecoms	<i>[Signature]</i>
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Chief Clerk	

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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FILE: G-5/383.8-2

SUBJECT: Cable Communications with Italy;
Resumption of International Radio-Telephone Service with Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394,
(Attention: Communications Sub-Commission).

1. There are attached hereto for your information copies of TAM 406 and TAM 407 on the above subjects.
2. G-2(C.C.) has received these cables and will undertake appropriate action on the censorship aspects in connection with your Civil Censorship Group.
3. It would be appreciated if the above is brought to the attention of Colonel Jackman.

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

Frank A. Southard, Jr.

FRANK A. SOUTHARD, JR.,
Commander, U.S.N.R.,
Financial Adviser.

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2 Encls.
As above.

cc Finance Sub-Commission, A.C.
(without enclosures).

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Chief of Transportation	
Chief of Public Relations	
Chief of Technical Services	
Chief of Administrative Services	
Chief of Legal Services	
Chief of Chaplaincy	
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20 DEC 1944

PRIORITY

FROM: AGWAR FROM CCS
 TO: ALEXANDER, INFORMATION UK BASE SECTION FOR BCS AND
 TO COMMUNICATION ZONE
 REF NO THIS MESSAGE: WX-82626, 27 December 1944

For FECEG.

Cite CCAC.

TAM 406.

Cable communications with ITALY.

Refer MAT 407, MAT 420 and TAM 407.

Statement in TAM 353 that US is NOT prepared at the
 present time to handle public cable and radio communications
 sent in Italian is correct. Primary reason is current lack
 of qualified translators to handle censorship of messages in
 Italian.

Serious consideration is being given to all factors
 involved in opening telecommunication services to the Italian
 language.

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 MAT 420 IS REF FX 57689 MC OUT 6667 25/11/44 G-5
 MAT 407 IS REF FX 53459 MC OUT 4123 16/11/44 G-5
 TAM 353 IS REF W 62077 MC IN 10071 14/11/44 G-5

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MR MACMILLAN

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MC IN 21331

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DEC 1944

A. C.

FROM: AGWAR FROM CCS

TO : ALEXANDER INFORMATION UK BASE SECTION FOR BCS AND TO
COMMUNICATION ZONE

REF NO THIS MESSAGE: WX 82625, 27 December 1944

For FHCEG.

Cite CCAC.

TAM 407.

Refer MAT 425 and MAT 460.

Resumption of international radio-telephone service
 with ITALY.

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 points outside US (that is transiting the US). Unless advised
 to the contrary, US Cable Censorship will NOT interfere with

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4. Concerning the limitations proposed on types of persons to be permitted to use the service, US Cable Censorship proposes the following:

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6. All conversations will be monitored at US end.

NOTE: MAT 425 IS REF FX 59218 MC OUT 7977 27/11/44 G-5
MAT 460 IS REF FX 69635 MC OUT 5847 16/12/44 G-5

ACTION: G-5

INFORMATION: SGS SIGNALS G-2
US POLAD MR MACMILLAN AG RECORDS

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See p. 1 of this reference + show J. M. M.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

29 December 1944.

Ref: 8759/27/COS

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service to United States.

TO : Communications Sub-Commission.

1. Further to this Office letter 8759/26/COS of 28 December, I am directed to ask you to include the following two additional names as users of this service.

Mr. Myron Taylor.
The Acting President, Mr. Harold Macmillan.

Copy to: SO to CC.
Political Section.

Director	
D/Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
H. Q. Liaison	
Asst. Chief of Staff	
Chief Clerk	

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 8759/26/COS

28 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service to United States.

TO : — Communications Sub-Commission. —

1. I am directed by the Chief of Staff to inform you the final decision on the persons who would be allowed to use this service.

Advisory Council.

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| 1. The Honorable Alexander Kirk | (American) |
| 2. Sir Noel Charles | (British) |
| 3. Major General Susloparov | (Russian) |
| 4. M. Maurice Couve de Murville | (French) |
| 5. M. George Exintaris | (Greek) |
| 6. Dr. Josip Smolaka | (Yugoslav) |

Diplomatic Missions.

7. Signor Mikhail Kostilev, USSR Ambassador.
8. H. E. Vasco da Cunha, Brazilian Charge d'Affaires.
9. Signor Mario Garza Ramos, Mexican Charge d'Affaires.

Consulates.

10. Georges Carlier, Belgian Consul General.
11. H. E. Vladimir Vanek, Czechoslovak Consul General.
12. H. E. F. W. Graandijk, Netherlands A/Consul General.
13. Tadeusz Wierusz-Kowalski, Polish Consul General.

Chief Commissioner.

Chief of Staff.

Vice-Presidents.

Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA.

Director for War Relief, American Red Cross.

Commissioner, British Red Cross.

2. I am instructed to ask you to inform AFHQ of this decision.

Copy to: SO to CC.

Political Section.

Economic Section.

Establishment Section.

Chief of Italian Mission, UNRRA.

Director for War Relief, American Red Cross.

Commissioner, British Red Cross.

Civil Affairs Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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6 December 1944

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO: : Chief of Staff, Allied Commission.

1. In connection with the projected re-opening of International Radio Telephone service between Italy and the United States, it is requested that a list of people authorized to speak over this circuit be prepared by you and forwarded to this sub-commission.

2. Cable ⁸⁻² from AFMA to AGMAK for COS for CCAC, reference number FK59218, suggests service be restricted to diplomatic and consular representatives, civil officials, representatives of UNRRA, press correspondents and the Italian Government. It is recommended that civil officials and UNRRA representatives authorized to use the service should be nominated by you.

3. It is believed that Diplomatic and Consular representatives and Italian Government officials authorized to use the service should be nominated by the Political Section. To this end attached draft is forwarded for your consideration.

4. It will also be necessary to designate certain Civil officials and UNRRA representatives as authorized to sponsor calls for people not given the privilege of the service.

5. In connection with paragraph 3 above, the following is emphasized:

- a. It is essential that the person who is responsible for the sponsoring of a Radio-Telephone call should be most carefully selected and made fully aware of his responsibilities.
- b. He should be instructed not to sponsor calls on private business and to satisfy himself that the matter could not be dealt with effectively by cable and further to ensure that a call booked in one person's name is taken by that person and no other.

6. It is advisable that the number of persons designated as authorized to make International Radio-Telephone calls be confined to as small a number as possible.

7. It will be clearly understood by all concerned that only calls of an official nature will be permitted.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Communications Sub-Commission
Tel: 489081 Ext: 333

1st December, 1944

In reply
refer to: R.129.9.CS

Subject: Radio Telephone Service to United States.

To: Civil Censorship

Reference your CCG/1162-1 dated 19th October, 1944.

1. Please see copy of A.F.H.Q. cable MAT 425.
2. Please carry out any revisions to your proposed plan for the operation of censorship, to bring it into line with the A.F.H.Q. suggestions, on the assumption that CCG reply will be in substantial agreement.
3. When prepared, send copy of censorship operation instructions to this office, and to G-2 A.F.H.Q. for approval.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Incl: Copy of G-5: 311.23-1 dated 29th November and MAT 425.

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PRIORITY

TO FOR ACTION: AGWAR FOR CCS FOR CCAC
 INFORMATION: CENTRAL DISTRICT UK BASE SECTION (LONDON)
 BCS HQ COMZONE MAINE (ETOUSA)
 REF NO: FX 59218
 SIGNED: WILSON CITE: FHGEG

MAT 425

HEADQUARTERS

10 NOV 1944

A. C.

Resumption of International Radio telephone service from ITALY is subject.

1. Resumption at present time of pre-war circuit between ROME and NEW YORK considered technically feasible when equipment now in use for other purposes can be made available. Understood this service desired by US State Dept and Board of War Communications. Believed that cable and wireless making preparation to open similar service with UK in near future.

2. Considered here that before any such service is authorized, it is necessary to define and agree types of persons by whom such service might be used, the limitations on the user and the restrictions to be imposed.

3. With above in mind and having regard to considerations of military security in this theatre, it is proposed that any such service be limited at the present time in the following manner:

A. The use of the service would not be permitted to strictly military authorities nor would discussions of matters of a military nature be permitted by any user over the circuit.

B. The service would be restricted to diplomatic and consular representatives, civil officials, representatives of UNRRA and press correspondents whose stories had been thoroughly censored prior to transmittal. The service would not be open to the Italian public but would be available to the Italian Government.

C. Discussion would not be permitted of

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matters previously transmitted in any code or cipher.

D. Discussion would not be permitted of any matters relating to sailing date of convoys, amount of cargo and general forecasts of plans.

E. The circuit of course would have no security and therefore each user would be given a security warning prior to each conversation. All conversations would be monitored.

4. Request your comments on the above.

ORIGINATOR: G-5

AUTH: H G WARE MAJ

INFORMATION: SIGNALS
G-2
US POLAD
MR MACMILLAN
SGS
AG RECORDS

APPROVED BY: CHIEF OF STAFF

COORD WITH: G-2
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US POLAD
MR MACMILLAN

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 SECTION
APO 512

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G-5: 311.23-1

29 November 1944

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to HQ ALCOM CS/2/9/4 of 20 October and to A/CC 311.23 of 6 November.

2. Attached for your information is copy of MAT 425 (MC out 7977 of 27 November), despatched from this Headquarters. CCS reply will be notified to you when received.

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

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

1 Incl:
Incl #1 - Cpy MAT 425

HEADQUARTERS
30 NOV 1944
A. G.

Director	
D. Director	
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 311.23-1

18 November 1944

SUBJECT: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your A/CC 311.23 of 6 November.
2. This matter is receiving very careful consideration here but it is hoped to reply to your letter fully at an early date.

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

/s/ T. B. Jackman

T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

cc: Chief of Staff
Communications Subcommittee
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Asst. Director	
Chief, Telecons	
Chief, Postal	
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*meeting CCS 23 NOVEMBER
planned and referred to
Censorship*

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6 November 1966

For Allied Force Headquarters, 40 512

5. In view of the fact that this service would not be for ordinary civilian use but would be a means of administering military and rehabilitation programs, and pursuant to the specific authorization of the President and Prime Minister since reinforced by the resumption of diplomatic relations between Italy and the United States, I wish to express my strong support of this project and my urgent recommendation that this service be authorized as desired by the U.S. State Department.

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Director
D/Director
Chief Telecomms

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
COMBINED SIGNAL BOARD

REF: 312.9/4

CSB/LRE
26 OCTOBER 1944

SUBJECT: RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM ITALY.

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 394, U.S. ARMY.

1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO YOUR CS/2/9/4, DATED 20 OCTOBER 1944.
2. THIS MATTER IS BEING DEALT WITH AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THE AFHQ REACTION WILL BE POSTED TO YOU AS SOON AS A DECISION IS REACHED.

HEADQUARTERS

28 OCT 1944

A.C.C.

Ludwig R. Engler
LUDWIG R. ENGLER,
CAPT., SIGNAL CORPS,
SECRETARY,
COMBINED SIGNAL BOARD

Director	
D. Division	
Chief	
Chief, F.	
H. Q. C. O.	
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Date *28/10/44*

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Telephone 489081 EXT 400.

In reply refer
to 45/2/9/4.

20th October 1944.

Subject: Radio Telephone Service from Italy.

To: A.F.H.Q.

1. It appears probable that radio circuits from Italy to the U.S. and U.K. may become available for international telephone service in the near future.
2. It is the opinion of this Commission that it would be beneficial to have such circuits established as promptly as possible; it is appreciated that for the present, at least, the use of such circuits should be confined to Allied authorities and accredited Allied Press representatives.
3. It is understood that the Department of State in Washington and the Board of War Communications are in favour of the restoration of the pre-war circuit between Rome and New York, subject to the approval of the Allied authorities in the Italian theatre. Mr. William Thompson, Assistant Vice President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company has visited this country in this connection, and has made the necessary technical and financial arrangements for the opening of service. It is proposed to utilise the existing Italcable equipment in Rome, previously used for the pre-war service, if released from its present P.W.B. commitment.
4. It is believed that Cable and Wireless are also making the necessary preparations to be ready to open service with the U.K. in the near future. This was not a pre-war service and would probably only be a provisional arrangement pending restoration of the international overland telephone cable circuits.
5. Action on the following lines is therefore requested:-
 - (a) Release of the Italcable equipment. This matter is being represented to you by Lieut. Colonel Reeves, Rome Allied Area Command Signals.

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(b) Allocation of the necessary frequencies. This matter is being represented to you by Lieut.Colonel Green, Radio Officer, A.F.H.Q.

(c) Authorisation for the early opening of services, together with the regulations defining permitted users and the mode and extent of censorship.

For the Chief Commissioner.

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

Copies to: R.A.A.C. Signal Officer.
Hon - Alexander Kirk. (Rome).

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CONFIDENTIAL

COL. HENDERSON

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

19 October 1944

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SUBJECT: Censorship of Proposed External Radio - Telephone Channel.

TO : Acting Head, Cable and Radio Subsection.

1. This memorandum will serve to confirm conversations had with you concerning the method of handling the censorship of the proposed external radio telephone channel. The question is raised as a consequence of the visit of a representative of one of the U. S. communications companies for exploring the possibility of opening a voice channel. The matter is now being considered by AFHQ.

2. In connection with this subject, Colonel Henderson has raised as a collateral matter, the question of the censorship of all external telephone traffic and which subsection should properly operate such censorship. He has stated that it is his opinion that a more logical arrangement would be for the Landwire Subsection to handle all such traffic. After discussion with Colonel Henderson, Major Allman and Lieut. Arnott and consideration, I have decided to defer decision on this matter pending the return of Comd'r Perrone, for two reasons, namely, to gain the benefit of his views on the subject and to learn any further developments on the question of additional naval personnel.

3. So as to be prepared for all eventualities, pending the final decision on the question of jurisdiction, a provisional section will be formed to handle the censorship of the external radio - telephone channel should this open. The section will be under your direction and the personnel selected from the Navy complement. It is to be clearly understood that this arrangement is purely a provisional one, pending final decision of the question of jurisdiction.

4. You will prepare a plan for the organization and operation of the provisional section. The plan will include among others, coverage of the following points:

- a. Jurisdiction
- b. Location of Monitoring Station
- c. Personnel
- d. Sponsorship of Traffic
- e. Languages Permitted
- f. Handling of Various Classes of Traffic
- g. Equipment
- h. Watch List Procedures.

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5. It is proposed to forward a copy of this plan to Communications Censorship, G-2, AFHQ, so as to acquaint them with our views. Since many of the points involve policy questions which must be decided by AFHQ, it is desired that the plan include a full discussion supporting the position taken in order to enable AFHQ to reach decisions, giving full considerations to our requirements and essential operational procedures. Some of the considerations which should be treated under the points listed in the preceding paragraph, are as follows:

Jurisdiction: I believe that Civil Censorship Group should have complete and exclusive censorship control of the channel, with full power to deal with the traffic in accordance with recognized procedures for international radio - telephone monitoring. This will obviously eliminate "privileged" traffic and is so intended, although it will not prevent according special treatment, as in the case in both British and U. S. procedures.

Personnel: Emphasis should be placed on the necessity of using only Allied personnel for the monitoring and that such personnel, when used for foreign language monitoring, must be absolutely fluent in the language and that an appropriate test of their ability will be given them, in advance of their use.

Sponsorship of Traffic: It should be pointed out that it will be incumbent on AFHQ to designate an agency which will be charged with authorizing a call and establishing the priority. Since it is anticipated that a similar channel may be opened to the United Kingdom, the particular form of sponsorship will have to be coordinated with both Imperial Censorship and Office of Censorship so as to conform to their current procedures and to facilitate the handling of their incoming calls.

Handling of Various Classes of Traffic: It is anticipated that in the initial phases, only the following classes of traffic will be handled:

- a. Official Allied Military
- b. Press
- c. Diplomatic
- d. Italian Government.

The plan should cover the method of handling the above classes.

6. As discussed with you, it is understood that you plan to use the following personnel:

Officer-in-Charge: Lieut. R. L. Woodcock

Assistant : Lieut. C. B. Bowden

Enlisted Personnel: J. E. Davis, Y1c
 S. D. Jankey, Y1c
 A. J. Diaz, Y2c
 J. N. Martinez, Y2c

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You have indicated that certain of the above personnel have had radio - telephone monitoring experience. In the light of this fact, it will not be necessary to institute any extensive training program, until it has been definitely determined that the channel will be opened. Accordingly none of the foregoing personnel will be relieved of their present assignments for the purpose of training or organizing the provisional section, nor will any switches of personnel be made for a similar purpose. Such spare-time training will be conducted as is possible.

7. While it is anticipated that the bulk of the traffic will be in English, there should be at least two monitors qualified in Italian. Because of the requirement that the monitors have absolute and fluent comprehension of the spoken language, I have designated Major Champion to examine the above personnel and certify to their language qualification. You will make the personnel available at such time as required. If there be not less than two who are qualified, then appropriate substitution will be made.

8. Equipment will be made available, from the stock of the Landwire Subsection. It is understood that your requirements will be two Single Line Monitoring Cabinets and three Mertype Recorders.

9. All physical facilities of the Landwire Subsection which you require for training will be made available to you. In addition, it is recommended that you avail yourself of the technical knowledge and experience of both Major Allman and Major Phelps.

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In reply
refer to: CS/2/9/3

Subject : Re-opening of Radio Telephone Service Italy - U.S.A.

To : H.E. The Under-Secretary of State for P.R. & T.

1. Reference is made to meeting in Commodore Stone's office at which discussion took place on the re-opening of a limited Radio telephone service between Italy and the U.S.A.

2. Although authority for such service has not yet been granted, it is thought that the probability is high enough to justify certain preliminary preparations as follows:

a. Italecable to renovate the terminal equipment which is now understood to be in reasonably good condition at the Via Mercedes.

b. A.A.A.C. Signal Officer to arrange for allocation of space at Via Mercedes for terminal equipment and Allied Censorship personnel.

c. Survey to be made by A.A.A.C. Signal Officer of line facilities between Via Mercedes and Transmitter and receiver sites.

3. When authority for re-opening of service is received A.A.A.C. Signal Officer to arrange for release by J.M.B. to Italecable of transmitting and receiving, equipment formerly used by Italecable in this service but now used by I.R.S.

4. It is expected that service will be limited initially to Allied Government official messages and Press traffic.

By Command of Commodore Stone:

Copy to: H.A.A.C.
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Civil Censorship Group

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission

Caserta, Italy
14 October 1944

RESTORATION OF RADIO TELEPHONE CIRCUIT BETWEEN ROME AND NEW YORK

1. It appears desirable to re-establish as promptly as practical the radio telephone circuit between Rome and New York which was in operation prior to the war. Re-establishment of such a circuit would provide a direct channel of communication between Italy and the United States, which would be valuable to the Allied Governments and press. It is appreciated that for the present, at least, the use of such a circuit should be confined to the Allied Governments and the press. Later, perhaps, when the Italian Government is authorized to use international telegraph facilities, the use of the telephone circuit might also be extended to that government.
2. It is understood that the Department of State in Washington and the Board of War Communications are interested in the establishment of this circuit, subject to the approval of the proper authorities in the Italian theater. The Director of Allied Control Commission has stated that it would be beneficial to have the circuit established, and the Political Adviser to the Supreme Allied Commander is of the same opinion.
3. The service rendered prior to the war was through the radio facilities of the Italcable Company, and there was a traffic agreement between this company and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, which latter company operates international radio telephone service in the United States. It is proposed to restore the service by utilizing these same facilities, operated by these same companies, under the existing traffic agreement. The American Telephone and Telegraph Company is prepared to resume service, subject to obtaining the necessary final approval of the Board of War Communications, if and when the arrangements are completed in Italy, and approval given by the proper Allied Government authorities there. It is understood that Allied Control Commission has knowledge of Italcable personnel, and has appointed a ~~Commissioner~~ ^{Commissioner} in charge. The transmitting and receiving stations of Italcable are now being utilized by PWB, RCAC, and Cable and Wireless. The latter two organizations have their own equipment, but PWB is utilizing equipment of Italcable. Italcable personnel is also being utilized by PWB. Transmitters formerly used for the telephone service to New York are temporarily being used by PWB, but it is deemed desirable that they be restored to their original use, and that the requirements of PWB be met by the use of other facilities. The facilities are operative, and could be put to almost immediate use for the purpose desired, providing the necessary frequencies are assigned. It is likely that the frequencies used prior to the war are now used by the Allied Military Forces for other purposes.

4. There is a censorship of international radio telephone conversations outgoing from the United States by the Office of Censorship in that country, and it may be desirable, for the present, at least, to provide censorship at the Italian terminal of the New York - Rome circuit.

5. In view of the foregoing facts, and the value of such an additional length of communication between the two countries, it is recommended that approval be given by the proper authorities to this project, toward the end that the New York - Rome radio telephone circuit be restored as soon as the necessary arrangements can be completed.

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