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ITALCABLES

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- Part I



HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

10 29TH MAY 44. 11

REFERENCE: TS/4/8/10

SUBJECT : WAGES, ITALIAN STAFF.

TO : DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION.  
ACC HQ REAR APO 394.

REFERENCE YOUR LETTER 27TH MAY, 1944; THE INFORMATION CONTAINED WAS GIVEN TO CAV. PICCOLI OF ITALCABLE; WHO ADVISES THAT THERE IS NOW NO NEED FOR THE ASSISTANCE AS SUGGESTED IN AS MUCH AS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WAS RECEIVED THROUGH LOCAL BANKS IN THE LOCATIONS NAMED FOLLOWING ADVICE FROM THE ITALIAN MINISTRY, IN THEIR LETTER OF 5 MAY, FILE S/8.5/1345, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS.

*GEO. W. KNAUER*

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MAJOR

COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION  
ACC HQ.

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NEAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

30th May, 1944.

In reply  
refer to: TS/W/S/12

Subject: Wages, Italian Staff, Italcable.

To: Telecommunications Officer, A.C.C. Main.  
Att: Major G.W. Knauer.

Reference your memo 29th May, 1944.

1. If you have not already done so, you should point out to Cav. Piccoli that making the same request to different bodies without informing interested persons that similar request has been made elsewhere leads to duplication of work and delay and tends to lower the importance given future requests.

J.L. SANDERSON

Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission

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Certain employees were instrumental in obtaining the documents with which Spinelli was charged. These people have staked everything (in some cases more than 20 years' service) on us cleaning up the administration of the company and ridding it of the undesirable elements. We cannot throw these people to the wolves at this stage of the game. They have gone all the way with us and we have a moral obligation to protect them in every way possible.

2. INEXPERIENCED TECHNICAL MEN - At Torre Nova there is at present no one capable of taking technical charge of the station. All the Ital-Cable Engineering personnel for this place went north with the Germans. If Ital-Cable personnel resumes its activity at the Transmitting station, who is to furnish the Engineering direction on the rebuilding of the transmitters or even the maintenance of the present transmitters? It was stated at the meeting that when an additional service was needed, we should simply tell Ital-Cable what we wanted and they would give it to us. It is not as simple as that.

3. EQUIPMENT - At Torre Nova, PWB has already put some CWI equipment into rebuilding the transmitters, and much more will be required, especially in the form of high-power transmitting tubes. Ital-Cable has no source of these and other materials needed in reconstructing the transmitters. Who is to furnish this? What disposition for payment for the material furnished, and how can Ital-Cable be relied upon to supply this necessary service?

At Malnovo there is a good Engineer capable of assuming Engineering direction of the plant, but here again the equipment is needed. The Germans removed practically every piece of apparatus from the buildings. PWB has already furnished receivers and tubes and other engineering equipment including gasoline-driven generators for emergency power. How are they to obtain such equipment and maintain it, and how will it be paid for?

4. FREQUENCIES - Will Italcable be responsible for obtaining suitable frequencies for the transmitters?

5. SECURITY - Who is to be held responsible for Signal Security on these circuits? Who is responsible for Security check on officers and employees of the company?

6. SALARIES - The Ital-Cable wage scale as of June 8th, 1944, was <sup>560</sup>considerably below the AMG scale which we are using. Reduction of wages to this former scale in the face of existing prices will certainly create discontent and possible stoppage of work. No question whether Ital-Cable paying their employees for us would agree to the AMG scale, or whether we have the right to demand such agreement under private administration. This point is considered of primary importance.

7. TRANSPORT - We transport a large number of workers to and from Torre Nova daily. We also transport all workers to and from their homes when their tour of duty either begins or ends during curfew hours. Some of them live



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great distances from their place of employment. The same holds true for the Receiving location at Malnco. Is Ital-Cable in a position to carry on this function? Has Ital-Cable a source of gasoline for this use? Would we be permitted to transport workers in government vehicles who are not on the payroll of this government agency in face of the general order prohibiting transport of Italian civilians not so employed. If they are on Ital-Cable payroll, they certainly do not meet the requirements of that order.

8. RATIONS - Ital-Cable has a supply of flour and other rations in the store-room for distribution to their employees, but there is no source of meat. The employees classified as "heavy duty" workers are now drawing a government ration once a day - very small to be sure but generally consisting of a small quantity of meat and vegetable stew or other form of meat. To withdraw this privilege from the workers would be unfortunate, to say the least, since it would certainly affect their morale, which is none too high anyway. Would FWB be permitted to continue drawing such rations for Italian civilians not carried on their payroll?

9. ARBITRATOR - Who is arbitrator in case of dispute between the company and FWB, or the company and its employees?

We are in sympathy with the policy of restoring private administration wherever possible, but in the face of these important details, it seems that extreme care will be required to avoid upsetting our present operation. These details are presented without prejudice in the hope that they may be adjusted prior to the time Ital-Cable resumes active administration and FWB becomes a client.

Distribution:

Lt. Col. Reeves  
Mr. Edman  
Mr. Topmiller  
✓ Lt. Col. Souder, AGC  
Capt. Anderson  
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*JMC*  
JOSEPH E. WARE  
FWB Communications Chief  
Italian Theater



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Note.

This was discussed with Lt. Col Reeves.  
In agreement with me, he telephoned the  
King & said that the policy agreed  
upon at the meeting would be implemented.  
That the King had put him (Col Reeves) in  
the position of having to point out that, as  
representative of U.S.O. AEMQ, he was the  
final authority, & that he did not  
propose to make any change in the  
policy as a result of the objections  
raised, which he considered easily solved.

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12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Ital-Cable Administration

TO : Lt. Col. Louis P. Reeves  
Office of the Signal Officer, Rome Allied Area Command

After discussing with Mr. Topmiller the decisions reached at your conference the other day, and after sleeping on the matter a couple of nights, we believe some significant points should be considered before returning the administration of Ital-Cable to its officials and permitting them to operate the facilities for us. It might be ideal under different circumstances, but at this stage of the operation we can foresee trouble and possible collapse of our news operation if the present procedure is disturbed.

Under AFHQ Memorandum No. 58 dated 1 July 19, 1943, and subsequent instructions, PWB is charged with the mission of conducting all propaganda in liberated Italy and to Nazi-occupied Italy. News is a major factor in carrying out PWB's system of communication and handling has been painstakingly set up to provide for efficiency, security and the best possible coverage. To alter this before propaganda is no longer important as a weapon of war appears to us a hazardous step.

Some of the headaches we foresee are noted below:

1. PWB OPERATORS NOT FORMERLY OF ITAL-CABLE - PWB now employs a number of operators who have never worked for Ital-Cable. If the administration reverts to Ital-Cable, will Ital-Cable call back into service its former operators? If so, this will necessitate the discharge of these "outside" employees. If not, would these "outside" employees remain on PWB payroll or be taken on the staff of Ital-Cable? If these operators remain on PWB payroll and Ital-Cable does not adopt the A/C wage scale, how can we handle the wage difference (see salaries)?

Some of the employees are men who refused to go north with the Germans for Ital-Cable last January and who were discharged because of their refusal. These men have already lost their pension rights for that act. The present employees of PWB formerly employed by Ital-Cable have also been removed from the rolls of Ital-Cable and no longer enjoy pension and sick benefits although it was stated that those rights would be restored for those employed by PWB. Will the same hold true for those previously discharged for refusing to work for the Germans in northern Italy?



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Roma, 14 Agosto 1944

Y.Ref.: CS/4/8/44

Argomento: Italcable.

Alla: ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS, APO 394.

Con la presente accuso ricevuta della Vostra lettera in data 12 Agosto 1944, del cui contenuto ho preso buona nota.

(Ing. Carlo E. MARTINATO)

*Carlo E. Martinato*

TRANSLATION :

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter dated August 12th, 1944 the contents of which I have duly noted.

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| REMARKS     |         |

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*Recd. 14.8.44.*



# ITALCABLE

SERVIZI CABLOGRAFICI RADIOGRAFICI E RADIOELETTRICI

SOCIETA PER AZIONI - CAPITALE L. 175.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

DIREZIONE GENERALE

DEPARTO

August 23rd, 1944

ROMA

VIA CATALANICA 48 - C.A.P. 00185

To: ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Communications Sub-commission

A.P.O. 394

ROMA

## Subject: ITALCABLE - FROZEN PAYMENTS

1. I beg to refer to the verbal order given to this Company that no payment should be made to any person or company for claims dated prior to the 4th of June 1944.
2. It is considered that some of the claims which have been frozen might, without special investigation, be released for payment. Such is the case for all taxes and insurance rates; electric power and telephone bills; rents; maintenance fees and similar items relating to ordinary contracts, which have been in force for some time past. Personnel lately dismissed by the Company claim their dismissal allowances, which they have been awaiting since last May.
3. The holders of the Italcable shares - mainly those residing in Southern Italy - also claim their 1943 dividends, which had been approved by the ordinary annual meeting of April 26th, 1944 (6% of £. 250; viz. £. 15 per share). The amount still to be paid under this heading is approximately £. 4.450.000.- to which about £. 5.000.000.- should be added for dividends referring to previous years (down to 1939).
4. A decision as regards para. 2 and 3 would be appreciated.

ITALCABLE

1000 BELLEVILLE ROAD, NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

*[Signature]*

Managing Director

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STANDARD TELEGRAPHIC &amp; CABLES LTD.

  
Managing Director

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

29th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/76

Subject : Italcables.

To : Finance Sub-Commission.

1. Reference is made to Memorandum dated August 24th, 1944 Ref. CS/4/8/75 with which was forwarded a copy of Italcable letter dated August 23rd, 1944.

2. It would be appreciated if a reply could be given to questions raised.

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

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 439081 Ext. 555

24th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: 03/4/5/75

Subject : Italcables.

To : Finance Sub-Commission. 74

1. Inclosed copy of letter dated August 23rd raising the following two questions:

- a. With reference to payment of obligations incurred before June 4th, 1944.
- b. With reference to payment of dividends.

2. Advice would be appreciated as to the reply which should be made to Italcable's letter.

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

Incl: One letter

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Carlo Enrico MARTINATO fu Antonio e di Caterina Olain

Nato a Udine il 6 giugno 1906  
Amogliato con un figlio

Laureato in Ingegneria industriale elettrotecnica, Milano 1928  
Esame di Stato a Torino, 1929

Assunto dalla ITALCABLE a Milano il 1/2/1929  
Missioni in Inghilterra: maggio-luglio 1929 e genn.-agosto 1930  
Missione in Belgio : settembre-ottobre 1930  
Varie missioni su navi posacavi Inglesi e Italiane in epoche diverse.

Soprintendente Stazione Italcable Malaga: giugno 1932 - dicem. 1934  
e febr.-dicembre 1937

Soprintendente Centro Italcable-Italo Radio di Roma:  
febr. 1938 - luglio 1939

Raggenza Reparto Manutenz. Impianti Italcable:  
maggio 1930 - genn. 1942

Nominato Procuratore Italcable il 1/8/1941

Richiamato in servizio militare nella R. Marina dal 10/1/1942 al  
15/7/1944

In servizio a Marinaarmi Napoli all'atto dell'armistizio.  
Evase a Ischia il 16/9/1943 dove prese contatto con Royal Navy  
e quindi distaccato presso la stessa in qualita' di Ufficiale  
tecnico (Capitano A.N.) partecipando alla ricostruzione delle  
Centrali Termoelettriche Volturno e S.M.E. di Napoli.

Lingue : francese-inglese-spagnuolo.



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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489031 Ext. 333

21st September, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/86

Subject : "Lampo" Service of Italcable.

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

1. Italcable has again raised the question of resumption of their "Lampo" telegraph service.

2. In discussion with Ing. Martinato the views of this Sub-Commission were given as follows:

a. The present shortage of transport and materials does not permit the construction or rehabilitation of parallel or duplicate facilities.

b. Permission for resumption of Lampo service by Italcable would be tantamount to an admission by the State Telegraph service that it was incapable of furnishing as good service as a private concern.

c. As long as conditions of para 2a are met, this Sub-Commission considers that the decision as to resumption of "Lampo" service by Italcable is one to be made by the Italian Government.

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



## MEMORANDUM

1) Up to 1926 the Italcable confined themselves to international traffic only. The system had risen to a high degree of perfection so that an urgent cablegram was normally delivered to the addressee, for instance in Milan, within five minutes of the time of filing at the Western Union in New York.

The State Telegraph was never in a position to offer anything like that between any two important Italian cities. Therefore, as the equipment and the staff were already there, the Company offered to the State Administration to make use of the existing facilities also for preferential Italian traffic, suggesting a tariff high enough to prevent any real competition, (Lire 22,50 for a ten word telegram), but committing themselves :

- a) to give a really first class service
- b) to pay to the State Administration a considerable proportion of the tariff, although the said Administration was totally extraneous to the handling of this traffic.

It may be recollected that, whereas the tariff of an urgent telegram, (the most expensive existing at the time), was 6.- lire for the first ten words, the tax to be credited to the State Administration for a ten words "Lampo" telegram was 7,50 lire.

This repartition on the base of a third of the whole tariff was increased to one half, (Lire 11,25), in favour of the government landlines when their services took part to the handling, (occasional interruption of a section in our lines, and similar cases).

It is worth recalling also that in all cases when an irregularity in the course of such telegrams prevented their delivery within 15 minutes, the corresponding charges were reimbursed to sender although the delivery had taken place.

Every "Lampo" telegram meant, therefore, to the State a higher profit than any corresponding telegram which could be handled by the State Administration.

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The "Lampo" service was approved on the 19th August 1927 and the Italcable was granted this concession "without exclusiveness".

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2) The State Administration, considering the success of the "Lampo" with the commercial people in Italy, decided on the 1st June 1929 to institute the "Urgentissimo", (very urgent), telegram which was to represent a service not inferior to the "Lampo", but cheaper.

The tariff was established at 16 lire for a ten word telegram.

Obviously the "Urgentissimo" killed the "Lampo" in a very short time and the Italcable lost practically all the in land traffic.

3) At the beginning of the second world war, the "Urgentissimo" was discontinued, (4/9/1939), because of its interference with the official and military traffic. The Italcable found themselves called in to resume the preferential traffic which, at the time, was very limited due to lack of business and Bank activity in Italy.

On the other hand, the declaration of war brought about immediately the total stoppage of all international cable traffic and a considerable reduction of the wireless traffic.

This loss of revenue was somewhat relieved by the steady increase in the "Lampo" service, which progressed simultaneously with the continuous worsening of the state telegraph, but nothing like a compensation could be reached in this way. Actually, whereas the net loss of revenue between 1939 and 1942 for all international traffic was just short of 12 millions lire per year, the corresponding increase in the "Lampo" revenue was confined to 3.1/4 millions lire per year.

It is worth recalling also that during 1942 and up to July 1943 the "Lampo" telegram was practically the only means of communication for crowds of anxious civilians who were, or had relatives, in the areas subject to intense air bombardment. This people, who remember with gratitude the "Lampo" service through many a tragic day, when the Italcable operators and messengers had to defy countless dangers and inconveniences to perform their duty, are awaiting now that the Italcable may resume their well known activity.

The Italcable Telegraph Offices in liberated Italy are ready to work. The plants have been repaired where their

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The Italcable Telegraph Offices in liberated Italy are ready to work. The plants have been repaired where their suffered war damage; the Italcable has kept the personnel ready for months, meeting heavy expenses without any compensation at all; the whole organization has been maintained in force so as to be prepared to start at a moment's notice.

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dn't it be advisable and useful to put all that into use as soon as possible, and give service to the public, rather than keeping such existing facilities idle and unproductive?

Roma, September 1944

*Robert*



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RESTRICTED ESTABLISHMENT OF ITALIAN CIPHER TEAM FOR HANDLING CLASSIFIED  
SIGNALS BETWEEN REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS PAREN TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER  
SOUTHERN REGION FROM ACC HQS FROM HENDERSON SIGNED STONE PAREN AND  
HEADQUARTERS ACC WILL BE AFFECTED UPON ARRIVAL YOUR HEADQUARTERS OF THREE  
ITALIAN NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS COLON BOLLO CMA TROIANI CMA AND  
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ITY AIR TRANSPORT PD LETTER FOLLOWS

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21 SEPT 44

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PRIORITY

COM SUB-COMMISSION

RESTRICTED ITALIAN CIPHER TEAM COMPOSED OF THREE NCOS DUE TO ARRIVE YOUR  
HEADQUARTERS NEXT FEW DAYS DEPENDING AVAILABILITY OF AIR TRAVEL PAREN TO  
REGIONAL COMMISSIONER REGION SIX FROM ACC HQ FROM HENDERSON SIGNED STONE  
PAREN THIS TEAM'S MISSION IS TO HANDLE CLASSIFIED SIGNALS BETWEEN REGIONAL  
HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS ACC PD RATES FOLLOW COLON PRESU CMA CARUSO  
CMA AND USOLINI PD DETAILS FOLLOW IN LETTER

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21 SEPT 44

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PRIORITY

COM SUB-COMMISSION

RESTRICTED DEPENDING UPON AVAILABILITY OF AIR TRAVEL CMA ITALIAN CIPHER  
TEAM COMPOSED OF THREE ITALIAN NCOS WILL ARRIVE YOUR HEADQUARTERS WITHIN  
NEXT FEW DAYS PAREN TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER REGION ONE FROM ACC HQS  
SIGNED STONE PAREN TEAMS MISSION IS HANDLING OF CLASSIFIED SIGNALS  
BETWEEN REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND HQ ACC PD NAMES OF NCOS ARE ARENA CMA  
TRANCHIDA CMA AND CURRIERI PD LETTER FOLLOWS WITH COMPLETE DETAILS

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

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21st September, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/84

Subject : Italcable Premises, Via Calabria 46-48, ROMA.

To : R.A.A.C., Signal Officer.

1. It is reported to this Sub-Commission that Allied Navy personnel is occupying one floor (the 2nd) in the Italcable Building at Via Calabria 46-48.

2. With the rehabilitation of the Italcable as a going concern which is now underway it would be desirable if the space now occupied by Allied Navy personnel could be returned to the Italcable.

3. May an investigation be made of the need of retaining for Allied use all or part of the space now held for their use.

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

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

13th September, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/83

Subject : Italcables.

To : H.E. The Minister of Communications.

1. Reference is made to your letter of September 8th 1944 No. UL/63/B/6167.
2. On the presumption that it has been approved by the legal advisers of the Ministry, there is no objection to the draft decree attached to your letter. This Sub-Commission is in full agreement with the appointment of Ing. Martinato as Commissario of Italcables.
3. With reference to the powers of Ing. Martinato under the appointment made by A.C.C., the same situation exists as for Prof. Busca in E.I.A.R. This is fully covered in our letter of CS/2/7/31 dated 13th September, 1944.

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





## MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

GABINETTO

Roma, 8 settembre 1944

N. UL/63/E/6467

Risposta al N. 1122 R. B. segue a nota P/X/1/122 Rif.  
rif. nota del 10 agosto 1944

OGGETTO: Italcable- CS/4/C

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLIATA DI CONTROLLO

Apo 394

A C M A

Questo Ministero, nel predisporre il provvedimento per la regolarizzazione della nomina fatta da codesta Commissione di Controllo del dott. ing. Carlo Enrico MARTINATO a Direttore Amministrativo ed Amministratore Generale della Società Anonima Italcable, ha rilevato che, trattandosi di società, occorre sciogliere il consiglio di amministrazione e nominare l'ing. MARTINATO Commissario della Società stessa, perchè le funzioni cui questi è stato nominato sono, secondo lo Statuto, funzioni esecutive e non di amministrazione.

Poichè evidentemente deve essersi trattato di errore materiale si comunica che in tali sensi, e cioè per la nomina a Commissario, è stato proposto il decreto che è in corso di firma alla Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

Si unisce copia dello schema del decreto e ad ogni buon fine si resta in attesa di benestare.



IL MINISTRO

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 SCHEMA DI DECRETO DEL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI  
 IL PRESIDENTE DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI  
 PRIMO MINISTRO SEGRETARIO DI STATO

Visto l'art. 1 nn. 1 e 3 del decreto legislativo luogotenenziale ....

.....;

Attesa la necessità di provvedere all'amministrazione della Società Anonima Italcable Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici;

Su proposta del Ministro per le Comunicazioni;

D E C R E T A

Art. 1.

E' sciolto il Consiglio di Amministrazione della Società Anonima Italcable Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici con sede in Roma ed è nominato Commissario governativo per provvedere alla gestione ed amministrazione di detta Società, fino a sei mesi dopo la cessazione dello stato di guerra, il dott. ing. Carlo Enrico MARTINATO.

Art. 2.

Il Commissario governativo assumerà la rappresentanza della Società e l'amministrerà in sostituzione degli organi ordinari di amministrazione sotto la vigilanza del Ministro per le Comunicazioni.

Il presente decreto sarà pubblicato nella Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno - serie speciale - ed ha effetto dal 16 agosto 1944.

Roma, addì

settembre 1944.

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tà Anonima Italcable Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici

e Radioelettrici;

Su proposta del Ministro per le Comunicazioni;

D E C R E T A

Art. 1.

E' sciolto il Consiglio di Amministrazione della Società Anonima Italcable Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici con sede in Roma ed è nominato Commissario governativo per provvedere alla gestione ed amministrazione di detta Società, fino a sei mesi dopo la cessazione dello stato di guerra, il dott. ing. Carlo Enrico MARTINATO.

Art. 2.

Il Commissario governativo assumerà la rappresentanza della Società e l'amministrerà in sostituzione degli organi ordinari di amministrazione sotto la vigilanza del Ministro per le Comunicazioni.

Il presente decreto sarà pubblicato nella Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno - serie speciale - ed ha effetto dal 16 agosto 1944.

Roma, addì

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

8th September, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/A/5/51

Subject : Telegraph Service.

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

1. It has been contended that Italcable should not be permitted to re-institute their "Lampo" service in competition with the state telegraphs as it was believed that the State Telegraphs could render as good service as Italcable.

2. It is appreciated that present day circuit conditions do on occasion necessitate the dispatch of telegrams by postal means but the quantity of telegrams received by mail recently in Rome appears excessive.

3. The reported receipt in Rome on Sept. 7th. of 329 telegrams reported to have been filed in Naples on August 22nd is not indicative of conditions justifying the argument against permitting Italcable to resume its "Lampo" service.

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

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**ITALCABLE**  
 SERVIZI CABLOGRAFICI  
 RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOELETTICI  
 100 lire per azione - Capitale 175.000.000  
 Sede in Roma

### Personnel

To Signal Officer Rome Area  
 A.F. Hqtrs  
 Piazza Venezia

September 1<sup>st</sup> 1944

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copy to Allied Control Commission  
 Communication Sub-Commission

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### Labour wages

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

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4 September 1944

Subject: Italcable Employees.

To: Communications Sub-Commission, ACC.

1. Attached is copy of letter from Italcable regarding their proposal for wage adjustment in connection with return of personnel to Italcable.

2. It seems fair to this section but your comments are requested before presentation to PWB, RCA, etc. for action.

3. Mention is made in attached of periods of leave. It is not recommended that leaves be granted for the present.

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

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Subject: Labour Wages.

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HQ.A.C.C. Communications Sub-Commission APO 394. 6th Sept. 44.

TO: Lt.Col.L.F.Reeves, Sig.Officer R.A.A.C.

1. Concur with proposals contained in basic communication.
2. Question of leaves can be settled by Italcable. Italian law specifies that leaves are due employees according to service but there is no reason why such leaves should not be allowed to accrue until conditions permit their being granted.

J.L.HENDERSON  
Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission

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SERVIZI CABLOGRAFICI RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOELETTICI

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September 1st 1944

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 EXT 333.

In reply refer  
to: CS/4/8/78.

3rd September 1944

Subject: Italcable.

To: Italcable, Via Calabria, Rome.  
(att: C.E. Martinato, Commissario).

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1. Reference is made to your letter of 23rd August 1944.
2. The Finance Sub-Commission of A.C.C. has been consulted and agrees that you should be guided in matters such as raised in your letter by advice of the Ministry of the Treasury or Ministry of Finance, which ever is deciding such questions.

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



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31 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Italcable.

TO : Communications sub-Commission. ✓

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With reference to your letters CS/4/8/75 and 76 /  
of 24th and 29th August 1944, as arranged by the Budget  
sub-section, copies are enclosed of two Ministerial Cir-  
culars on the subject of past - due bills and the  
payment of arrears of salaries.

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Joint Director, <sup>major</sup>  
Finance sub-Commission.

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MINISTERO DEL TESORO

Roma, 31 luglio 1944-

Regione Generale dello Stato

n. 100310

OGGETTO : Pagamenti di stipendi ed altri assegni arretrati.

ALLA PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI  
 ALLA CORTE DEI CONTI  
 A TUTTE LE AMMINISTRAZIONI CENTRALI  
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2)- che sia esclusa ogni possibilità di liquidazione arretrati nei confronti di ex impiegati del soppresso partito fascista dalle organizzazioni da esso dipendenti;

3)- che l'impiegato si sia trovato nell'impossibilità di risarcimento quanto dovutogli per motivi a lui non imputabili;



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4)- nel caso che il richiedente sia stato detenuto o arrestato o che abbia subito altre limitazioni della libertà personale, occorre accertare che, salvo il caso di persecuzione politica, sia stato prosciolti da ogni addebito con la formula più ampia che sia stato reintegrato nella sua precedente posizione di ufficio;

5) che sia recuperato l'importo di ogni anticipo eventualmente ricevuto da uffici pubblici e di ogni elargizione o sussidio eventualmente ottenuti da enti, istituzioni od altri organi di pubblica beneficenza;

6)- che, inoltre, da qualsiasi pagamento sia detratto l'importo di ogni assegno a carattere alimentare od anticipo concesso alla famiglia, anche durante i periodi di eventuale detenzione od arresto ed altre limitazioni della libertà personale;

7)- nel caso che l'ammontare degli arretrati da pagare superi l'importo corrispondente a due mensilità di stipendio o di retribuzione, il primo pagamento non potrà superare tale importo. La differenza ulteriormente spettante sarà corrisposta a rate bimestrali, ciascuna d'importo non superiore alla prima rata pagata.

Resta, pertanto, stabilito che i pagamenti d'arretrati non potranno essere effettuati se non con l'osservanza delle sopra riportate disposizioni, le quali, in quanto applicabili, devono osservarsi anche per la liquidazione di arretrati di pensione.

Per ogni caso dubbio o non contemplato dovrà essere rivolto quesito a questo Ministero.

Le disposizioni di cui alle presente circolare saranno emanate a cura delle Amministrazioni in indirizzo agli uffici dipendenti ed agli enti comunque sottoposti alla loro vigilanza o controllo.

Si prega accusare ricevuta.

I L MINISTRO

U. to Soleri



MINISTERO DEL TESORO

Regione Generale dello Stato

n. 112611 100/V/1

OGGETTO: Pagamento debiti scaduti.

Roma, 20 luglio 1944

A TUTTE LE AMMINISTR. GEN. CENTRALI  
A TUTTE LE AMMINISTR. PROV. AUTONOME  
D. STATO

ALLA CORTE DEI CONTI

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A prescindere dagli accertamenti di rito in merito alla regolarità delle forniture e relativa documentazione, la liquidazione ed il pagamento venivano subordinati ad un esame preliminare della situazione complessiva delle aziende creditrici allo scopo di garantire lo Stato che le somme da erogarsi venissero effettivamente destinate alla prosecuzione di Gestioni profittevoli o alla ricostituzione di impianti ritenuti utili alla ripresa economica della Nazione.

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te che il mancato pagamento di debiti di modeste entità potrebbe provocare l'impovertimento di privati al punto tale da farli diventare indigenti ed a carico dello Stato, si potranno disporre i pagamenti di adeguati anticipi per evitare il verificarsi di tali situazioni;

3) - confermato che, per quanto detto ai punti 1) e 2) e, cioè, che i pagamenti debbono essere contenuti nelle misure strettamente necessarie per fronteggiare le cennate situazioni, si dispone che nessuna erogazione può essere effettuata mediante prelevamento di somme su ordini di accreditamento o su altre anticipazioni, essendo indispensabile che, per tutti i cennati pagamenti intervenga il preventivo riscontro della Corte dei Conti alla quale incombe l'obbligo di accertare la piena legalità della spesa, in rapporto alla legislazione vigente ed alla documentazione prodotta.

4) - le liquidazioni ed i pagamenti che saranno eseguiti in base alle norme che precedono saranno, a cura delle Ragionerie centrali, registrati separatamente, in modo che, in ogni momento, sia possibile conoscere l'ammontare e la causale di ciascun pagamento;

5) - per i debiti contratti dallo Stato italiano posteriormente alla data della liberazione potrà darsi corso ai relativi pagamenti, ferme, in ogni caso, restando le disposizioni di cui al punto 3).

Tutte le norme che precedono riguardano non solo i debiti dello Stato ma anche quelli di enti ausiliari o prestatati e, pertanto, a cura dei singoli Ministeri dovranno essere impartite analoghe disposizioni agli uffici dipendenti ed agli enti comunque sottoposti alla loro vigilanza o controllo.

Con l'occasione, si conferma quanto comunicato con precedente circolare, nel senso che resta escluso, in modo assoluto, ogni pagamento, anche in acconto, per servizi e forniture rese alle Forze Germaniche o del loro interesse.

Si prega accusare ricevuta dando assicurazione.

IL MINISTRO

F.to: Scleri

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

76  
LPR/tjc  
29 August 1944

Subject: Italcable.

To: PWB, Italian Theater Headquarters,  
APO 512, US Army.

1. This is in reply to your letter of 26 August 1944 to which was attached a letter from Mr. King regarding the Italcable labor situation.
2. At a meeting some time ago at which were representatives of PWB, ACC and RASC Signal Section, it was brought out that the hiring away of employees from Italcable by PWB was contrary to the general policy of AFHQ inasmuch as it endangered the position of the company in its attempt to reestablish itself as a going concern. All parties at the conference agreed.
3. Mr. King was apprised of the desired date of this reversion back to Italcable as September 1st.
4. Since that meeting Mr. King has continuously voiced objections and at no time has he ever indicated an inclination except on the negative side. He has met with the former employees of Italcable both collectively and individually. While I have no idea as to what he has told them, nevertheless, I do not believe he has made any cooperative effort to assuage the situation by virtue of the fact that these people are still going to him for sympathy.
5. Under the AFHQ policy these people are to be returned to Italcable and I can find no other course indicated than to hold Mr. King personally responsible for any difficulties that may arise.



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



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25 August 1944

Lt. Col. L. P. Reeves, Signal Officer  
Rome Allied Area Command

Dear Colonel Reeves:

For your interest, I attach a copy of a memorandum from Mr. King concerning a subject which is important to both of us.

May I have your comments when it is convenient?

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE W. ELMAN  
A.D.P.W.O. Italy (Lib.)

Dist.  
Col. Schaller, A.C.C.

Called Reeves - 20/5. HE WILL SEND  
US COPY OF REPLY WHICH SHOULD BE  
SENT TO MARTINATO —  
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
INFORMATION AND CENSORSHIP SECTION  
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH  
APO 512 UNIT No 12 U.S. ARMY

25 August 1944

Mr. George Edman  
PWB Unit No 12.

SUBJECT: PWB-ITAL-CABLE

I have already pointed out some possible difficulties that may arise when administration of Communications personnel reverts to Ital-Cable.

It is almost certain that we will have labor trouble.

Anything that affects the flow of News in PWB affects the entire organization. At this particular time, when much may depend upon our news and communications in conducting Radio, propaganda and counter-propaganda activities, it seems ill-advised to introduce any changes.

The operators have expressed a lack of confidence in the newly appointed Ital-Cable Administration and a few have resigned - giving various reasons. Others have expressed their intention to do so, and all - at a meeting with me last week - have asked that their situation remain unchanged. They contend that this administration offers them no relief from the old Fascist Administration. In return for the loyalty they have shown to P B, they ask protection until further adjustments can be made.

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In view of this request and because of a deep personal desire to justify the confidence they have placed in PWB; and because it is felt that this move is premature, I strongly urge that this directive be reconsidered and that I be permitted to inform the employees to this effect.



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Mr. Edman/2

It is further urged that a series of meetings be held with PWB Administration, Ital-Cable Administration and the Communications Section Head, to consider possible details in anticipation of their effect upon PWB News operation.

If PWB is still of military importance no deliberate act should be undertaken that might - even remotely - disturb its operation or place it in jeopardy.

*JMK*  
Joseph N. King,  
PWB Communications Chief,  
Italian Theater.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
AFO 394  
Telephone 459081 Ext. 400

19th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/73

Subject : Italcables.

To : The Ministry of Communications.

1. It is considered that it would be advisable to notify the foreign branch offices of Italcables at Lisbon, Buenos Aires, etc., that the head offices of the management, recognized by the Italian Government and by the Allied authorities, are situated in Rome, and that instructions purporting to be given by an office in enemy or enemy-occupied country should not be accepted.

2. This notification should also be made to the associated communication companies, viz Western Union and Commercial Cables.

3. If you agree to this suggestion, perhaps you would be good enough to submit suitable cablegrams to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who has the authority to forward such messages for abroad, for the Italcables and other offices to be informed by the Italian Embassies in those places.

J. L. HENDERSON

Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission





MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
GABINETTO

Roma, 16 agosto 1944

N. P/x/1/122R3

Risposta al Nota 14 agosto 1944 n.CS/4/8

OGGETTO: Società Italcable.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
APO/394

R O M A

Assicuro di aver immediatamente provveduto a quanto codesta Commissione ha richiesto col foglio su indicato.

DIRECTOR  
D. DIRECTOR  
S. O. T.  
P. C. P.  
CENSORSHIP  
CHIEF CLERK

IL MINISTRO

*Cerabner*

*Recapit. 18/8/44* Translation

It is certified that the arrangements required with your above said letter, have been made.

THE MINISTER

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Subject: Direction and Administration of EIAR  
GETRA SIFRA and SIFRI Companies.



*Communications*

1st Ind.

CIC Detachment, 6750 Headquarters Company (Ovhd), APO 794, 15 August, 1944.

TO: Executive Commissioner, Hqs. Allied Control Commission, APO 394, US Army.

On the recommendation of this office SPINELLI was interned on August 2, 1944, as a security measure.

*Floyd C. Snowden* 172-1  
 FLOYD C. SNOWDEN,  
 Major, M.I.,  
 Chief, CIC, Rome Area Allied Command



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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

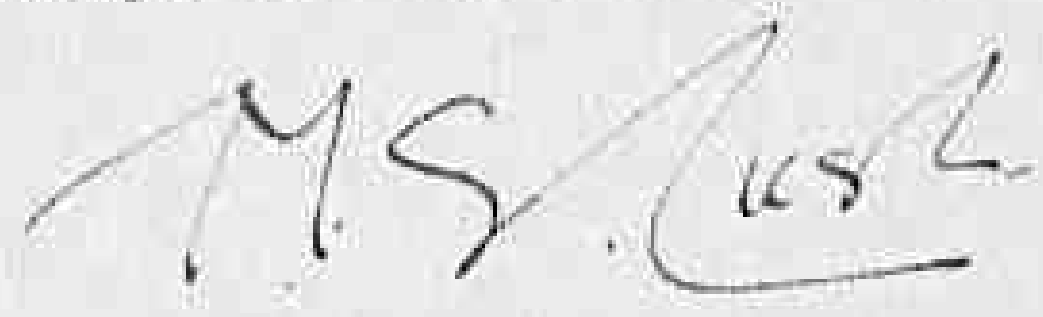
12th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/45

Subject : Italcable.

To : Dottore Guido Spinelli  
Via B. Orlandi 6, Roma.

1. As of August 12th, 1944 you are relieved from your positions as Managing Director and Director General of the "Societa Servizi Cablografici, Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici "Italcable".
2. As of that date you are divorced from any relationship with the above-mentioned company.
3. All documents, data and information relating to the above-mentioned company which you may have, you will turn over to ING. CARLO ENRICO MARTINATO who is appointed Managing Director and Director General of "Italcable" as of August 12th, 1944.
4. It is requested that receipt of this letter be acknowledged forthwith.

  
M.S. LUSH  
Brigadier  
Executive Commissioner

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FLOYD C. SNOWDEN,  
Major, M.I.,  
Chief, CIC, Rome Area Allied Command

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TRANSLATION BY SERIAN.

13th AUGUST 1944

TO  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION;

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I inform you, that I have received from Allied Control Commission (Communications Sub-commission) a letter, by which they made me aware of the fact that I was obliged to leave off my charge at Italcable Company.

Sott. GUIDO SPINELLI

Mr. [Signature]  
DIRECTOR.  
S. O. (I).  
S. O. (P).  
CENSORSHIP.  
CHIEF CLERK.

Received 14/8/44

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Roma, 13 Agosto 1944

Dichiaro di aver ricevuta una lettera  
della Commissione Alleata di Controllo (Sotto  
Commissione per le Comunicazioni) con la quale  
viene comunicata la mia cessazione dagli incari-  
chi ricoperti presso la Societa' ITALCABLE.

f.to Dott. Guido Spinelli

*P. Spinelli*

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TRANSLATION BY SELAY.

13th AUGUST 1944

TO  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION

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I inform you that I have received from Allied Control Commission (Communications Sub-commission) a letter by which it was notified that I was appointed as Ital-cable General Director.

Ing. ENRICO MARRIATO.

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D. DIRECTOR.  
S. O. (I).  
S. O. (P).  
CENSORSHIP.  
CHIEF CLERK.

Received 14/8/44

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Roma 13 Agosto 1944

Dichiaro di aver ricevuta una lettera della  
Commissione Alleata di Controllo (Sotto-Commis-  
sione per le Comunicazioni) con la quale viene  
comunicata la mia nomina a Direttore Generale  
della Italcable.

f.to Ing. Enrico Martinato.

*per Carlo Martinato  
la madre  
Rina Martinato Blain*



JLH/epc

HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489061 Ext. 400

15th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: GS/4/8/67

Subject : Italcables.

To : The Minister of Communications.

Reference your F/X/1/119 - R17 dated 12th  
August, 1944.

1. Ing. Carlo MARTINATO has now been appointed  
Acting Managing Director of Italcables, as notified to  
you in this office letter of 13th August.

2. This nominee has been agreed with the Under-  
Secretary of Posts and Telegraphs, and with the Allied  
Military authorities, and has been stated to be acceptable  
by 'La Commissione Interna della Soc. Italcable'.

3. His moral, political and technical qualifications  
are satisfactory, and it is hoped that you will support him with  
the authority of your office.

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



Translation by Petrigoni

REFERENCE: W/K/L/117 1217

ROME, August 12th, 44

TO THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSION.

SUBJECT: Appointment of a Commissioner for the Italcable Company .

Due to the Italcable Company's disorganized condition, whose highest point was the arrest of the Director eng. Spinelli, an action must be taken for appointing a commissioner.

To the place, it is considered opportune by this Ministry to appoint Doctor Eng. Riccardo de Cataldo, who has good moral and political record, and a specific technical competency, having been several years in the Italo-Radio Company, of which he became also Director of.

We await your opinion with regard to this matter.

THE MINISTER .  
( Franco Carabona )

DIRECTOR.

D.DIRECTOR.

S. O. (I).

S. O. (P).

CENSORSHIP.

CHIEF CLERK.

Received 14/8/44.





MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
GABINETTO

Roma 12 Agosto 1944

N. F/X/Ving R17

Risposto al N.

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OGGETTO: Nomina Commissario per la Società Italcable.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE COMUNICAZIONI

R O M A

In conseguenza della nota dissestata situazione della Società Italcable, culminata nell'arresto del suo Direttore ing. Spinelli, occorre provvedere a nominarvi un Commissario.

Per tale incarico questo Ministero sarebbe del parere di proporre il Dott. ing. Riccardo De Cataldo, di buoni precedenti morali e politici, nonché di specifica competenza tecnica, essendo stato per diversi anni nella Società Italo-Radio, della quale divenne anche Direttore.

Si resta in attesa di conoscere il vostro parere al riguardo.-

IL MINISTRO

*Francesco Cerabona*

(Francesco Cerabona)

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
ROME REGION  
APO. 394

July 26, 1944

To : Allied Control Commission

Subject : Italcable

The main office of the above Company is located in Rome. It has sub-offices in Naples and other cities of Italy. The Rome office is without a Manager. The former Manager is reported to have been removed for security reasons.

The authority of Mr. Augusto Piccolo appointed by the Italian Government for the Naples office has not been recognized by Italcable in Rome.

Mr. Luigi Sannio has been proposed for Commissario by a number of interested groups as indicated in the attachments. Mr. Sannio has been cleared by the Security and Intelligence Division of this office.

This office is of the opinion that if an appointment is to be made it should issue from the Allied Control Commission.

*Charles Poletti*  
CHARLES POLETTI  
Colonel  
Regional Commissioner

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Roma, 4 Agosto 1944  
Via Calabria 46-48  
Casella Postale n. 1384 -D.

Per S.E. F A N O  
Sottosegretario alle Poste e Telegrafi  
Ministero delle Comunicazioni

Via del Seminario

R O M A  
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Ci riferiamo alla domanda rivolta da V.E. di fare un altro nome, in aggiunta a quello dell'Ing. Sannio, per la carica di Commissario della Italcable.

Ci onoriamo sottoscrivere che l'Ing. CARLO ENRICO MARTINATO e' fra i Dirigenti della Societa', la persona che, per le sue qualita' morali, preparazione generale e conoscenza della lingua e del mondo inglese, riscuoterebbe fiducia e consenso.

Deferenti ossequi.

LA COMMISSIONE INTERNA DELLA SOC.  
ITALCABLE

F.to

1. SALVATORE BONAVANTIA
2. Illeggibile
3. LEONE CASERCI
4. QUINTO CAVALLERA

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Fano is to let me know if Martinato gets  
his release



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Carlo Enrico MARTINATO fu Antonio e di Caterina Clain

Nato a Udine il 6 giugno 1906  
Anneggiato con un figlio

Laureato in Ingegneria industriale elettrotecnica, Milano 1928  
Esame di Stato a Torino, 1929

Assunto dalla ITALCABLE a Milano il 1/2/1929  
Missioni in Inghilterra: maggio-luglio 1929 e genn.-agosto 1930  
Missione in Belgio : settembre-ottobre 1930  
Varie missioni su navi posacavi Inglesi e Italiane in epoche diverse.

Sopraintendente Stazione Italcable Malaga: giugno 1932 - dicem. 1934  
e febr.-dicembre 1937

Sopraintendente Centro Italcable-Italo Radio di Roma:  
febr. 1938 - luglio 1939

Reggenza Reparto Manutenz. Impianti Italcable:  
maggio 1930 - genn. 1942

Nominato Procuratore Italcable il 1/8/1941

Richiamato in servizio militare nella R. Marina dal 10/1/1942 al  
15/7/1944

In servizio a Marinarmi Napoli all'atto dell'armistizio.  
Evaso a Ischia il 16/9/1943 dove preso contatto con Royal Navy  
e quindi distaccato presso la stessa in qualita' di Ufficiale  
tecnico (Capitano A.N.) partecipando alla ricostruzione delle  
Centrali Termoelettriche Volturno e S.M.E. di Napoli.

Lingue : francese-inglese-spagnuolo.





MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
DIREZIONE GENERALE PP. TT.

Roma, 31 luglio 1963

N. 8/86/2086/8.0/  
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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEGATA DI CONTROLLO  
Ports And Telecommunications  
Sub-Commission - ROMA -  
(alla Particolare Attenzione del Mg. SODDER)

OGGETTO: Trasmissione lettere.-

Come da verbale intesa, le rimetto le  
quattro bozze delle lettere dirette a:

- S.E. Gerabona; — *Defensor* —
- Ing. Luigi SANDIO;
- Ing. Raoul GIACOBELLI; **FIAR**
- Ing. G. SPINELLI.

Sperando di avere interpretato le sue  
richieste ed a sua disposizione per qualunque ulteriore  
dato lo possa occorrere, la saluto cordialmente.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

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Roma 11 31 luglio 1944

All'Ing. Luigi SANNIO

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R O M A

Viale Martiri Fascisti n° 19

OGGETTO: Comunicazione.

In data 1° agosto, la S.V. é stata nominata Consigliere Delegato e Direttore Generale della Società Servizi Cablografici, Radiotelegrafici e Radioteletrici "Italcable", e conseguentemente investito temporaneamente di tutti i poteri che lo Statuto attribuisce a tale carica.

La S.V. é pregata di assumere immediatamente la Direzione Generale della Società, prendendo dagli attuali dirigenti le consegne relative.

Sarà gradito ricevere da Lei cenno di ricevimento, di assicurazione e di avvenuto adempimento.



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Roma, 31 luglio 1944

Al Dottor Guido SPINELLI  
Via D. Oriani 6 ROMA

Oggetto:- Comunicazione.-

Con la data del 1° agosto p.v. la S.V. deve ritenersi decaduta dalla carica di Direttore Generale della Società Servizi Cablografici, Radiotelegrafici e Radiotelevisivi "Italcable".

Da tale data pertanto deve intendersi interrotto ogni e qualsiasi rapporto di collaborazione, adempimento ed impiego con tale Società.

Tutti i documenti, dati e carteggi in suo possesso relativi alla Società stessa, dovranno essere da lei consegnati all'Ing. Luigi SANICO, nominato in data odierna Consigliere Delegato e Direttore Generale dell'Italcable e ciò previo inventario viscontro e dichiarazione di scarico.

La preghiamo di immediato e cortese canno di assicurazione e di avvenuto adempimento.



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TRANSLATION BY SELAH

RCE 27/7/1944

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TO: Allied Control Commission  
 Posts and Telecommunications,  
 Sub-Commission.

REF: S/13/2058

Subject: Italcable.

Owing to recent events with regard to Italcable, this Ministry has received from the Procurator Doct Cortina the following information.

The Italcable Company is administratively and technically controlled by the Ministry of Communications.

It is necessary to protect at least formally the patrimony of the above Company, would you please issue instructions concerning the withdrawal of stores from the above Society, to the delivery of motorcars to the general technical work of the Society.

Thanks very much.

The Under Secretary of State.

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| DIRECTOR. |
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TRANSLATION BY SELAN.

27/7/44 60-1

TO: Excellency Fano  
U.S. Of State for PP.TT.  
Roma

Excellency,

Reference is made to our telephone conversation of this morning.

I was informed by Sig. Gnudi that Lieut Capaldi, an officer of American Headquarters who was requested to draw up the inventory of stores lying at the store ho use of our General Direc tion, required to be at his disposal two motorcars of Italcable, one Fiat 1500 and one Fiat Balilla tre Marce, for both which had obtained the circulation pass from the Allied Command/.

I asked whether a requisition was concerned, and if it was the case whether a requisition order according to the notices of the Allied Command, could be shown.

Mr Gnudi answered that a requisition was not the question, but the two automobiles were requested for temporary use only, on account of Lieut Capaldi's service reasons.

Being referred that the Company would remain without means of transportation at all, actually extremely necessary, Mr. ~~Cap~~aldi approved the request to leave the Company at least one small motorcar.

Practically what had been the agreement could not be carried into effect, because Lt. Capaldi had taken, with the motorcar, our only driver, and the only key of our garage.

Wednesday (26 July) Lt. Capaldi came to our offices with the American Civil official Mr. M.E. MacDonald, who during the previous days had searched the offices of the General Director with Mr. ~~Cap~~aldi and Sig. Gnudi.

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Lt. Capaldi announced me that Mr. MacDonald was in need of the Fiat 1500, and he himself would make use of the Balilla.

Being asked if a requisition was the question, they said it was not.

Mr. MacDonald directed my attention to the fact that American officers are allowed to make use of civilian motor-cars moreover he assured me that he would have returned the automobile to me, within four or five hours. This being the case, I asked and obtained from Mr. MacDonald a receipt for the motor-car, and I introduced him to our steward, who lives in the building, so that he could address himself to someone, in order to return the motorcar.

One hour after Mr. Paul W. Nief (P.W.B., Veneto Street n. 56) came directly, in to our garage, and took the circulation pass of the Balilla, by which the driver was going to take Lt. Capaldi to the Atlantic Hotel.

I asked him to explain his action; Mr. Nief answered me that he had taken the pass in order to regularise the lawful position of the motorcar and demanded the whereabouts of the fiat 1500.

When he knew that Mr. MacDonald had taken it, he demanded why I had allowed it; I answered that it was impossible for me to refuse, and, after having referred the above circumstances, I showed to him the receipt.

Mr. Nief gave to the driver a ticket for Lt. Capaldi and for the Police forces, which could meet the Balilla without circulation pass.

When I inquired for the two automobiles, he told me to be quiet, because he was going to return in the evening; but he did not return until 13.30 of today, whilst I am writing.

This morning Lt. Capaldi wished me to sign a bilingual agreement, to prove that the Fiat Balilla had been allowed him by common accord with the Italcable, but I kindly refused directing his attention to my responsibilities, which forbade me to sign the above agreement; because the Company cannot allow to part with its means of transportation without a regular requisition

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order; although we have lent by agreement, for a few days, one automobile, on condition that the other one could be left with.

Ten Capaldi has not insisted in his request, justified in order to avoid a requisition by other Commands, but he is still making use of the Balilla.

Concerning the other matter I hereby notify you that Lt. Capaldi has placed in our store-houses two soldiers and one civilian employee (as interpreter), charged with drawing up. The inventory of all technical stores, which could be useful to U.S. Command in Roma.

For that purpose, he has declared to sig. Braccialarghe our Agent and Chief of the Economical Section, that it is impossible to withdraw the above stores without a ticket signed by Lt. Capaldi, or by his deputy.

As you know, all these events happened From Monday to Thursday, have no reference to any order issued from Allied Command or Italian Authority.

I beg you again to take an interest in order to give me exact instructions concern the protection of the Company, and in order to conform to the dispositions of the above Authorities.

Kind Regards  
Doct. Guido Cordina

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**MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI**  
**DIREZIONE GENERALE PP. TT.**

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Roma, 27 luglio 1944 *60-4*

N. *5/13/2058*

spos al N. *CS/418*

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
 Poste And Telecommunications  
 Sub-Commission - ROMA -

OGGETTO: Italcable

A seguito dei fatti recentemente avvenuti presso l'Italcable, questo Ministero ha ricevuto dal Procuratore Dottor Cortina della Direzione dell'Italcable, il rapporto qui allegato in copia.

Premesso che la Italcable come Società, è sotto il controllo amministrativo e tecnico del Ministero delle Comunicazioni

premessa la necessità di tutelare se pur formalmente la entità patrimoniale della Società in parola, questo Ministero riterrebbe opportuno che Co-  
 mitea Onorevole Commissione, impartisse precise diret-  
 tive circa l'atteggiamento da seguire dalla Società  
 stessa in merito al ritiro materiali, alla consegna  
 di automobili, all'attività tecnica della Società nel  
 suo complesso.

Si ringrazia anticipatamente di quanto ver-  
 rà comunicato al riguardo.



IL SOTTOSCRITTO DI STATO *508*  
*M. Fur*

1 allegato



Roma, 27 Luglio 1944

Dott. Guido Cortina

Eccellenza F A N O  
Sottosegretario di Stato per le  
Comunicazioni

R O M A

Eccellenza,

Con riferimento all'invito da Lei fattomi durante la nostra conversazione telefonica di stamani, mi pregio di confermarLe quanto segue.

Nel pomeriggio di martedì 25 corr., il Sig. Gnudi mi comunicava che le due automobili della Italcable, una FIAT 1500 e una FIAT Balilla a tre marce, per le quali avevamo ottenuto il regolare permesso di circolazione del competente ufficio alleato, dovevano ritenersi a disposizione del tenente Capaldi, Ufficiale del Quartier Generale del Comando americano incaricato di accertare la consistenza dei materiali giacenti nei magazzini della nostra Direzione Generale.

Alla mia domanda se trattavasi di una requisizione e se mi poteva essere consegnato il relativo ordine in conformità dei comunicati del Comando Alleato pubblicati dai quotidiani di Roma, il Sig. Gnudi mi rispondeva che non si trattava di una requisizione, ma semplicemente di un uso temporaneo delle automobili da parte del predetto ufficiale per l'espletamento del suo mandato.

Alla mia osservazione che la Società sarebbe rimasta priva di qualsiasi mezzo di trasporto, tanto indispensabile nelle attuali contingenze, e alla preghiera che almeno la più piccola delle macchine venisse lasciata a disposizione della Società, il Signor Gnudi rispondeva in senso affermativo.

All'atto pratico, però l'intesa non ha potuto essere attuata, sia perchè il tenente Capaldi ha preso, <sup>don</sup> la macchina l'unico nostro autista, sia perchè è rimasto in possesso della sola chiave di accesso al nostro garage.

Il giorno successivo, mercoledì 26 corr., il tenente Capaldi veniva nei nostri Uffici insieme al funzionario civile americano Signor M.E. Macdonald che nei giorni precedenti aveva effettuato, con il Sig. King e il Sig. Gnudi la nota perquisizione negli uffici, <sup>che il</sup> Signor Macdonald aveva



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Alla mia rinnovata richiesta circa una eventuale requisizione degli automezzi, veniva risposto, come dal Signor Gnudi, negativamente.

Il Sig. Macdonald, dopo aver fatto cenno al diritto di ogni ufficiale americano di fare uso di una macchina civile, mi dichiarava che avrebbe tenuto la FIAT I500 soltanto per quattro o cinque ore e che dopo tale tempo l'avrebbe riportata in garage.

Così stando le cose, ho richiesto ed ottenuto dal Sig. Macdon-



nalà una ricevuta della macchina e gli ho fatto conoscere il nostro maggiordomo, che risiede permanentemente nell'edificio, in modo che sapesse a chi rivolgersi per la riconsegna della autovettura.

Dopo nemmeno un'ora si presentava il Sig. Paul W. Nief (P W B-Via Veneto 56 ) il quale si recava direttamente nel nostro garage e prendeva il libretto di circolazione della Balilla con la quale l'autista si accingeva ad uscire per andare a prendere il tenente Capaldi all'Hotel Atlantico.

Alla mia richiesta di chiarimenti circa il suo operato, il Sig. Nief rispondeva che prendeva il libretto per regolarizzare la possessione della vettura e mi chiedeva dove si trovava la FIAT 1500.

Saputo che essa era stata presa dal predetto Sig. Macdonald, mi chiedeva perchè gliel'avevo consegnata e, come ovvio, gli rispondevo che non mi era stato possibile di oppormi, e, dopo avergli riferito le circostanze sopra esposte, gli ho esibito la ricevuta che ero riuscito ad ottenere.

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A me, che lo interpellavo sulla sorte delle due autovetture, rispondeva di stare tranquillo che sarebbe ripassato nel pomeriggio il che non è avvenuto sino alle ore 13.30 di oggi, ora in cui le scrivo.

Stamani il tenente Capaldi mi ha espresso il desiderio che io firmassi uno stampato bilingue per attestare che la Fiat Balilla era stata da lui presa con il consenso della Italcable: ed io, con il dovuto tatto e con la dovuta cortesia, mi sono rifiutato, facendogli presente che le responsabilità che mi competono mi impedivano di sottoscrivere il predetto foglio, in quanto la Società non poteva privarsi dei suoi mezzi di trasporto se non di fronte ad un regolare ordine di requisizione scritto, il che non aveva impedito di accedere all'accordo del primo giorno di lasciare a sua disposizione, per qualche giorno, una delle macchine, mentre l'altra sarebbe rimasta a noi.

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A tale fine ha dichiarato al Sig. Braccialarghe, nostro Procuratore e Capo del Rep. Economato, che l'eventuale prelevamento dei predetti materiali non potrà aver luogo se non contro presentazione di un buono recante la firma dello stesso tenente Capaldi o di chi per esso.

Come Ella ben sa, tutte le circostanze che si sono verificate da lunedì ad oggi, non trovano riferimento in alcun ordine scritto.

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to emanato da parte del Comando Alleato o dalle Autorità Italiane, ed io reputo mio dovere di rinnovarle la preghiera di volersi interessare allo scopo di farmi avere al più presto precise istruzioni circa la linea di condotta che la Italcable, e per essa i suoi legali rappresentanti tuttora in servizio, debbono seguire per la giusta salvaguardia degli interessi sociali, nonché per la migliore osservanza delle disposizioni che le predette Autorità ritenessero di impartire.

Voglia gradire, Eccellenza, i miei deferenti saluti.

f.to.

( Dr. Guido Cortina )



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The Compagnia Italiana dei Cavi Telegrafici Sottomarini (Italcable) was merged with Itadoradio in 1932 but until the outbreak of war in 1940 its cable service functioned as before. The first cable Anzio-Malaga-Horta (Azores) was laid down by arrangement with the Western Union Cable Company who laid a New York - Horta cable. There was also the Anzio-Malaga-Las Palmas-St Vincent-Fernando Noronha-Rio-Montevideo-Buenos Aires cable in 1925. Subsequently Anzio-Barcelona and Anzio-Lisbon-La Panne-Brussels cables were put into service. On the outbreak of war the cables were cut, the Anzio-Malaga cable within six hours.

In 1932 the transmitting station at Anzio was made into a relay station and subsequently telephone pairs were attached to the cable and the relay done away with. When the cables were cut Itadoradio became the means of communication.

At the moment the PWB and RCA are interesting themselves in the Itadoradio whilst Cable and Wireless are making inquiries and recruiting personnel for work at Naples.

Ing Fenocchio says the Malaga end has been put into Gibraltar but there is nothing definite about this however. The history of recent years in the Italcable, as told by Ing Fenocchio and several members of the operating and technical staffs is as follows:-

Carosio, a personal friend of Newcomb Carlton, one <sup>5</sup>time President of the Western Union Telegraph and Cable Company and of Goddard, European Manager for the same company, became founder and President of the Italcable and remained President until 1940.

Bandini, the Direttore Generale until 1940 was a well-known Freemason but ended by becoming an ardent fascist. He was



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able to become a member of the party and led parties of the Italcable staff to Predappio on pilgrimages to the tomb of the Duce's forefathers.

Spinelli, was acquainted with Carosio in the Argentine and when he came to Italy a place was created for him in Italcable, Administrative Director.

At the outbreak of war, Carosio was in Italy and he radioed his son advising him to stay in the Argentine. This was made known to Bandini who in agreement with Spinelli made a public denunciation of Carosio for his "un-Italian and un-Fascist attitude" which resulted in Carosio's resignation.

Benni, head of the Marelli Engineering Coy and a prominent Fascist, was appointed President. He is now in the North with the republicans.

Bandini resigned and Spinelli took his place. Spinelli became very strongly pro-Fascist and did all in his power to make the company work smoothly for the Germans. He put into effect the order of service ordering all men to be ready to go North, and also a declaration of loyalty and secrecy to the German Armed Forces for the employees to sign. The handful of employees who refused to sign this declaration were dismissed. Equipment was shipped north under the orders of Spinelli.

Ing Fenocchio, an Administrative sub-director resigned at the start of the war and went to the Ministry of Marine<sup>5</sup>, where some years before he had been a captain. He stayed there for three and a half years.

Ing Sannio, technical director, took over Fenocchio's post and kept his own until he was arrested by the Germans for "political reasons" and taken to Via Tasso. He managed to escape from there with a Militant Communist and has since been evincing pro-Communist sympathies.



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Spinelli tried to make the best of both worlds by becoming a secret member of the inter-office communist branch. This was when the Allies were drazing near to Rome. There is talk in the office that Spinelli continued to pay the dependents of those employees who volunteered to go north with the republicans, this I have been unable to verify.

Fenocchio thinks that Sannio is a puppet in the Communist party hands. Fenocchio also emphasised that the choosing of Malaga for the other end of the Rome (Anzio) cable was agreed upon by the Western Union. He says he foresees the passage through Gibraltar as a British check on Italian cables. He expressed great satisfaction at the arrest of Spinelli who, he said, was a bad character. Furthermore if Spinelli is released and comes back to the Italcable Fenocchio says he will have no more to do with it. The few consistently anti-Fascist members of the staff (anti-Fascist as a matter of my own knowledge of them and not from the new pro-democratic frenzy) are very pleased that Sannio has been made Commissioner. This may mean however that from being anti-fascists they have swung over to communism and think one of their own party is the chief.

De Medici, an Italaradio supervisor is the intermediary between the FWB, RCA and Cable and Wireless for employment of staff. There is a reasonable ground for supposing him to have been anti-fascist, after the landing at Salerno.

Bandini is living quietly on the outskirts of Rome.

Fenocchio is going back to the company today, the first time for ten days. He asked me for any information that might come my way as "it is useless asking Fano, he says he can do nothing without Allied consent".

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H. E. Hansoncomb  
Cable & Wireless Corp.



TRANSLATION BY SELAN.

ROME " : 3/7/44 58-1

The Committee of National Liberation notify that Ing. Luigi Sannio has never had the "tessera PNF", and for his anti-fascist activities was persecuted and imprisoned by Gestapo in November 1943.

It was possible for Ing. Sannio to break loose from the jail of Tassano street, and avoid the punishment of being shot, which had been decided for "secret accord with the foe".

THE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION.

Viale Martiri no. 19

ROME : 30/7/44

The Italian Communist Party, who takes part in The Committee of National Liberation, notify the Allied Authorities that Ing. Luigi Sannio, who has never had the "Tessera PNF", persecuted and imprisoned by Gestapo for his anti-fascist activity, is a man worthy of the position of Commissary for the Italcable Company, according to the designation of the general Conference of the personnel of the above Company.

THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY

ROME : 30/6/44

To this Party appears plain that Ing. Luigi Sannio is a well-known antifascist, and he has been persecuted by the Nazi-fascists. He is a clever technician, fit to the restoration of the services of the Italcable.

THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.



18-4  
 Roma, 3 Luglio 1944.=

Il COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE informa che l'Ing. LUIGI SANNIO è persona che non è mai stata tesserata dal P.N.F. e che, per la sua attività antifascista venne perseguitato e arrestato dalla Gestapo tedesca nel Novembre 1943. L'Ing. Sannio, imprigionato nelle carceri di Via Tasso, riuscì ad evadere, sfuggendo così alla fucilazione alla quale era stato condannato per "intelligenza con il nemico".

per il COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE

Pietro Grifone

x Vile Martiri Fascisti 19



**Partito Comunista Italiano**

Sede provvisoria: Via IV Novembre  
**ROMA**

Roma, 30 Giugno 1944.=

IL PARTITO COMUNISTA ITALIANO, aderente al Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, rende noto alle competenti Autorità Alleate che l'Ing. LUIGI SANNIO, mai tesserato dal P.N.F., perseguitato e imprigionato dalla Gestapo per la sua attività antifascista, è persona ritenuta degna e, sotto ogni aspetto, meritevole di ricoprire la carica di Commissario per la Società ITALCABLE, conformemente alla designazione fatta dall'Assemblea Generale del personale di detta Società.

per IL PARTITO COMUNISTA ITALIANO

Pietro Grifone



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PARTITO DEMOCRATICO DEL LAVORO

ROMA - PIAZZA AUGUSTO IMPERATORE, 32  
(CORSO UMBERTO I)

IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

Roma, li 30 gin. 1944

Risulta a questo Partito che l'ing. Luigi SANNIO è persona  
notoriamente antifascista e che dalla dominazione nazifasci-  
sta ha personalmente avuto a soffrire. E' tecnico di indiscu-  
tibile valore; particolarmente atto a riporre in efficienza i  
servizi della "Italcable".

IL COMITATO DIRETTIVO  
un membro

1/1 Del Fav. R. Falumbo



TRANSLATION BY SELAN.

6/7/44

RELATION OF THE MEETING OF THE PERSONNEL OF ITALCABLE ON 15/7/44

The personnel of the Italcable Company met in the house of the Popolavoro Aziendale, has elected Masi Ferruccio President, and Giorgio Rosario Secretary.

Unanimously the personnel voted the following:

## ORDER-OF-THE-DAY.

The general Conference of the personnel of the Italcable Company, according to the designation dated 11/4/44, by the Badoglio Government, of cav. Augusto Piccoli, Chief of Italcable Office at Naples, as Commissary of Italcable for free Italy.

Considering that cav. Piccoli was for many years a friend of some of the directors denounced by the preceding conference, and for whose dismissal we are waiting;

Considering that for the serious tasks, in order to restore the social activities, it is necessary that a man politically approved, competent and clever takes charge, appoints to the pertaining Authorities Ing. Sannio Luigi (who has never had the "tessera P.N.F.", persecuted by nazifascistes) as new Commissary for the Company.

We have read approved and signed the above.  
Attached Sheets are the signature of the whole personnel.

THE SECRETARY  
G. GIORGIO

IL PRESIDENTE  
F. MASI



ESTRATTO VERBALE ASSEMBLEA TENUTA DAL PERSONALE DELLA "ITALBABLE"  
IL GIORNO 15 GIUGNO 1944

Riunito nei locali del Dopolavoro Aziendale il personale della Società "Italcable" precede alla elezione di Masi Ferruccio a Presidente dell'Assemblea e di Giorgi Rosario a Segretario.

" O M I S S I S "

All'Unanimità il personale precede alla votazione del seguente:

ORDINE DEL GIORNO

L'Assemblea generale del personale della Società Italcable, preso atto che in data 11 aprile 1944 il Governo Badoglio aveva designato, sino alla liberazione degli organi centrali di amministrazione della Società, a Commissario della Italcable per l'Italia liberata e per l'estero, il Cav. Augusto Piccoli, capo dell'Ufficio Italbable di Napoli;

in considerazione del fatto che il Cav. Piccoli risulta da molti anni personalmente legato ad alcuni dei Dirigenti già denunciati in precedente assemblea e dei quali si attende l'estromissione;

in considerazione del fatto che, in vista dei gravissimi compiti da espletare per la ripresa delle attività sociali è necessario che la carica sia ricoperta da persona particolarmente gradita politicamente, autorevole e capace, designa alle Autorità competenti il nome dell'Ing. Sannio Luigi, (mai tesserato al P.M.F., vittima delle persecuzioni nazi-fasciste) quale nuovo Commissario per l'Azienda.

Letto approvato e sottoscritto.

In fogli a parte sono raccolte le firme di adesione di tutto il personale.

IL SEGRETARIO  
F.to R. Giorgi

IL PRESIDENTE  
F.to F. Masi





IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

ROMA 4 Luglio 1944  
VIA CALABRIA 46-48  
CASELLA POSTALE N° 1384-D

Italcable is a private Company with 7.419 shareholders for its 700.000 shares. No group of majority exists.

On April 11<sup>th</sup> 1944 the Italian Government appointed as Commissary Mr. Augusto Piccoli, chief of the Italcable office in Naples. His authority however, while including the powers of General Manager, does not operate on Rome and consequently the Italcable, main-office, is at present without a chief. That situation both for the relations with the allied authorities and for handling of several questions related with the normal life of the Company (personnel, shareholders, banks etc.) is very inconvenient.

ITALCABLE

SERVIZIO CARLOGRAFICO  
Il Direttore Generale  
(Dr. Guido Spacchi)

TELEFONO 404.445-42-43



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|-----------------|---------|
| Av. fmo. Bandin | N: 7124 |
| Dr. Gorge       | " 4218  |
| Dr. Beech       | " 2720  |

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V. Roma, 4 luglio 1944

Alla Commissione interna di Assecc  
della Thelata  
Roma

In risposta alla domanda da Voi rivolta in data odierna per sapere come sarete da me considerato, nella mia qualità di ex direttore e di ex Direttore Generale della Thelata, la eventuale nomina dell'ing. Samio a Commissario dell'Assecc, non ho alcuna difficoltà a dichiarare che, per la serietà, dedizione e per la stima che egli, per lunghi anni, della qualità intellettuale e morale dell'ing. Samio, la sua eventuale nomina non potrebbe essere da me che veduta con rispetto, e alla fiducia che, come lui mi conface. La designazione dei suoi compiti di lavoro, egli saprebbe adeguatamente tutelare gli interessi della società e quelli dei suoi uomini con armonia.

Vi saluto cordialmente.

Avv. Enrico Forzani  
Via della Conciliazione 73





IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

ROMA 5<sup>th</sup> July 1944  
VIA CALABRITTO 40-42  
CASELLA POSTALE N° 1384-D

To the Committee of employees of Italcable

R O M E

I confirm what I already had the opportunity of telling to Lt.Col. Lane, about Ing. Sannio, unanimously designated by the personnel for the appointment as Commissary for Italcable, that I have in the greatest estimation said Engineer whose technical and moral qualities I highly appreciate.

As shareholder for 2.500 shares and as Managing Director I believe that his appointment should be absolutely convenient.

I am glad you gave me the opportunity of making the aforesaid declaration.

Cordially yours

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Rome, 4<sup>th</sup> July 1944

To the Committee of employees of Italcable

R O M E

I answer the question you put me today, how should I consider, in my qualification of shareholder and former Managing Director of the Company, the appointment as Commissary of Ing. Sannio. I have no difficulty whatsoever in declaring that, for the appreciation and estimation I had, through many years, of the intellectual and moral qualities of Ing. Sannio, his eventual appointment could not be seen by me but with sympathy, being sure that, while designated by his coworkers, he should also efficiently take care the Company's and its many shareholders interest .

Cordially yours

Avv. GINO BANDINI  
Via della Camilluccia, 73



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4/7 1944

Democracy Conference

For P. M. Malachuk

For the Bureau of the

La Marina Club

For the direction of the

Admission

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MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
DIREZIONE GENERALE PP. TT.

Roma, 5 Agosto 1944

N. S/8.0/2125

spos al N.

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Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
Post and telecommunications  
Sub-Commission  
(all'attenzione del ~~Maj.~~ Sculder)  
Col R O M A

OGGETTO: Trasmissione scheda personale.

Con la presente, Le rimetto la scheda  
personale riflettente il Capitano Martinato  
della Italcable.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

*[Signature]*



## GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO

N.B. - Penalità severissime, di prigione e di ammenda sono previste per chiunque facesse delle dichiarazioni false nella presente scheda.

## SCHEDA PERSONALE

1. Nome e cognome *Carlo Enrico Martinato* ~~no~~ fu *Antonio*
- a) Luogo di nascita *Udine* b) Data di nascita *6 giugno 1906*
2. Indirizzo attuale *Via Carlo Farini 2 Roma* c) Residenza permanente *id.*
3. Professione *Ingegnere - Procuratore della Società 'Italcasse'*
4. Eravate iscritto al P. N. F.? *Sì* c) Da quando? *18 aprile 1928*
5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (Sì o No): *No*
- a) Sansepolcristi *—* b) Squadristi *—* c) M. V. S. N. ? *—*

d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? (Indicare con un SÌ od un NO l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):

PERIODO DI SERVIZIO  
(Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri)

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Milizia ordinaria?     | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Ferroviaria?   | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Postale?       | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Portuale?      | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Forestale?     | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Stradale?      | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Confinaria?    | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Universitaria? | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Antiaerea?     | <i>No</i> |



2. Indirizzo attuale *Via Carlo Pansa 2 Roma* a) Residenza permanente *id.*
3. Professione *Ingegnere - Procuratore della Società 'Italcable'*
4. Eravate iscritto al P. N. F.? *Sì* a) Da quando? *18 aprile 1928*
5. Appartenevate ad uno dei seguenti gruppi (Sì o No): *No*  
 a) Sansepolcristi *—* b) Squadristi *—* c) M. V. S. N. *—*
- d) Se eravate nella Milizia, in quale delle seguenti unità avete prestato servizio? (Indicate con un *Sì* od un *NO* l'unità e la data negli spazi rispettivi):

## PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

(Specificare se servizio effettivo o nei quadri)

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Milizia ordinaria?             | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Ferroviaria?           | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Postale?               | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Portuale?              | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Forestale?             | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Stradale?              | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Confinaria?            | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Universitaria?         | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Antiaerea?             | <i>No</i> |
| Milizia Artiglieria Marittima? | <i>No</i> |
| Moschettieri del Duce?         | <i>No</i> |
| Battaglioni "M"?               | <i>No</i> |

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e) Se avete militato solo in tempo di guerra, siete entrato nella milizia da volontario o in seguito a regolare chiamata? *No*

6. Avete ricoperto una delle seguenti cariche nel Partito Fascista (rispondete *Sì* o *NO* e indicate i periodi di servizio o di ciascuna carica negli spazi rispondenti):



## PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

- a) Segretario nel P. N. F. ? No
- b) Membro del Direttorio Nazionale? No
- c) Segretario Federale? No
- d) Membro del Direttorio Federale? No
- e) Ispettore del Partito? No
- f) Ispettore Federale? No
- g) Segretario politico di un Fascio? No
- h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale? No
- i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale? No
- j) Capo-settore? No
- k) Capo-nucleo? No
- l) Una posizione autorevole nella G. I. L.? No
- m) Una posizione autorevole nel G. U. F.? No
- n) Una posizione autorevole nei Fasci Femminili? No
- o) Qualche altra carica nel Partito No
- Quale? —
7. Siete stato in qualche periodo membro dell'OVRA? No Quando? —
8. Avete fatto parte dell'Ufficio politico dei CC. RR.? No Quando? —
9. Avete fatto parte di un ufficio politico della P. S.? No Quando? —
10. Siete stato in qualche periodo funzionario in una delle seguenti organizzazioni:



f) Ispettore Federale? No  
 g) Segretario politico di un Fascio? No  
 h) Fiduciario di un Gruppo Rionale? No  
 i) Membro di un Gruppo Rionale? No  
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# PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

a) In una Corporazione? No  
 Quale? —  
 Denominazione della carica —  
 b) di una Unione sindacale? No  
 Quale? —  
 Denominazione della carica —  
 c) In un Consorzio Agrario? No  
 Quale? —  
 Denominazione della carica —



## PERIODO DI SERVIZIO

d) In qualche altra organizzazione corporativa o

sindacale?

*No*

Quale?

Denominazione della carica

11. Indicate le cariche nazionali, provinciali o comunali - governative o parastatali - occupate da voi dal 1921, come segue:

NOME DELL'ISTITUTO PERIODO DI SERVIZIO MODO DI ASSUNZIONE

12. Indicate le principali fonti dei vostri introiti durante il regime Fascista:

## FONTI

MEDIA ANNUALE

INTROITO DEL 1942

*Società Italcable**~ 40.000 -**~ 50.000 -**Proprietà personali**~ 15.000 -**~ 15.000 -*

13. Avete prestato servizio militare?

*Sì*

a) In quale arma?

*R. Marina*

b) Quando?

*1942/43/44*

c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente?

*Capitano A.N.d.C.*

d) Dove avete prestato servizio?

*Marinarmi Napoli*

e) Siete stato « volontario » nella guerra civile Spagnola?

*No { ma per essere stato Sottainquirente Italcable a Malaga ho ricoverato il*

f) Siete stato « volontario » nella campagna dell'Africa Orientale?

*No { nessuno delle campagne. Del Nord Africa? No*

g) Avete goduto di qualche esonero dal servizio militare?

*Sì, nel 1940-41*Per quale motivo? *come ingegnere della Italcable*

14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa dal Partito Fascista?

*No*

Nome dell'organizzazione

Periodo di appartenenza?

15. Se siete stato con qualsiasi attività impiegato con qualsiasi comando, agenzia, o qualsiasi sorte di organizzazione tedesca, data, pieni particolari. *(V. a Tergo)*

In caso di risposta negativa un appunto firmato a tale riguardo sarà scritto nel tergo della « Sche.



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| FONTI                      | MEDIA ANNUALE     | INTROITO DEL 1942 |
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| <i>Società Italcalt</i>    | <i>~ 40.000 -</i> | <i>~ 50.000 -</i> |
| <i>Proprietà personali</i> | <i>~ 15.000 -</i> | <i>~ 15.000 -</i> |

13. Avete prestato servizio militare? *Si* a) In quale arma? *R. Marina*  
 b) Quando? *1942/43/44* c) Quale grado rivestivate ultimamente? *Capitano A.N.d.C.*  
 d) Dove avete prestato servizio? *Marinarmi Napoli*  
 e) Siete stato «volontario» nella guerra civile Spagnola? *No {ma in corso stato sopraindante Italcalt e Malaga ho ricinto il nostro della campagna}*  
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Per quale motivo? *come ingegnere della Italcalt*  
 14. Avete fatto parte dal 1922 in poi di qualche organizzazione politica diversa dal Partito Fascista? *No*

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Periodo di appartenenza? \_\_\_\_\_

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GIURO CHE LE PRECEDENTI DICHIARAZIONI SONO VERE.

Data *Roma 4 agosto 1944* Firma *Luigi Marturato*

N. B. - Rileggete prima di consegnare la scheda, e se avete scritto il falso, correggete. Vi ricordiamo che le superiori dichiarazioni sono state fatte sotto giuramento, e che pene severe sono stabilite per il falso giuramento.



Pagina riservata alle annotazioni dell'Ufficiale degli Affari Civili

- Durante il servizio militare nelle R. Marina, e precisamente dal 2 marzo al 12 aprile 1942, sono stato inviato in Germania assieme ad altro personale per prendere conoscenza teorico-pratica degli ecogoniometri anti-sommergibili. Il corso di istruzione ha avuto luogo a Wesermünde con brevi visite a Brema, Amburgo e Berlino.

Luigi S. Martignato



Transaction of International Scope 5/1

Geller - Is this anything new?

Geller - Yes, there is very good news. The question has been fully decided but the decree will be issued tomorrow or the day after as it must be signed by the French Government of Algiers. It has to do with a transaction of International Scope.

Geller - As soon as you hear it has been signed, telephone me at number 560 627, we will then go home and drink a toast. Regards to Nicola

Geller - Very well Baracca.



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(Serial number)ALLIED CIVIL CENSORSHIP  
TELEPHONE

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Rome  
(Station)

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## COMMENT

TRANSACTION OF INTERNATIONAL SCOPE

Il chiamante - scusi, ci sono novità?  
 Il chiamato - sì, ci sono notizie molto buone, la questione è stata risolta in pieno ma il decreto uscirà domani o dopo, perchè deve essere firmato dal Governo Francese di Algeri. Si tratta di un impegno a carattere internazionale.  
 Il chiamante - appena ha notizia della firma, dammi un colpo di telefono al n. 560427, così andiamo a casa e brindiamo. Salutami Nicola.  
 Il chiamato - va bene Paracco.

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| ACC R.R. Sec. |  |

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Comment by: Monitor 104  
Reviewed by: M. Sicher  
1st. Lt. Inf.

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ITALCABLE

DIREZIONE GENERALE

| Reparto                   | Reparto     | Reparto   | Reparto                 | Reparto   | Reparto | Reparto |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Amministrativo            | Commerciale | Esercizio | Manutenzione & Impianti | Economato | Titoli  | Siccom  |
| Reparto<br>Corrispondenza |             |           |                         |           |         |         |

- 1 - Dott. Guido SPINELLI - Direttore Generale
- 2 - Ing. Alessandro FENOCHIO - Capo Reparto Esercizio - Procuratore
- 3 - Dott. Guido CORTINA - Capo Reparto Amministrativo e Commerciale - Procuratore
- 4 - Mazzini BRACCIALARGHE - " " Economato e Titoli - Procuratore
- 5 - Dott. Mario GASPERI - " " Contabilità - Procuratore
- 6 - Dott. Giulio ANGIOLINO - Facente Funzione Capo Reparto Personale
- 7 - ..... Reparto Manutenzione e Impianti
- 8 - ; ..... Reparto Siccom
- 9 - Valentina PARISOTTI - Capo Reparto Corrispondenza



DIREZIONE GENERALE

|  | Reparto<br>Esercizio | Reparto<br>Manutenzione<br>& Impianti | Reparto<br>Economato | Reparto<br>Titoli | Reparto<br>Sicom | Reparto<br>Contabi-<br>lità | Reparto<br>Personale |
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LI - Direttore Generale

COCHIO - Capo Reparto Esercizio - Procuratore

A - Capo Reparto Amministrativo e Commerciale - Procuratore

RGHE - " " Economato e Titoli - Procuratore

- " " Contabilità - Procuratore

LINO - Facente Funzione Capo Reparto Personale

.....- Reparto Manutenzione e Impianti

.....- Reparto Sicom

I - Capo Reparto Corrispondenza



Ing Sannio

Ing Sannio has been Technical Director of the Italcable since 1925. His connections with Western Union Cable Company, Commercial Cables and the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company of London were contributory to his arrest by the Germans as a pro-Allied agent, which he says he was not.

I met him by arrangement at 3am today, 7th August and the main subjects of his conversation were:

The Sardinian Separatist movement;

His arrest, escape, and adventures in hiding.

Italcable and ItaloRadio.

It was necessary to guide the conversation back to the subject of the Italcable as his main enthusiasm seemed to be Sardinian Independence.

#### Italcable & ItaloRadio.

When asked about his nomination as Commissioner for Italcable he said he knew the staff had put forward his name but that was all. In any case he thought the position would be too much for him as it dealt with payment and safeguarding as far as possible, of the shareholders interests. Italcable had made millions before the war. The cutting of the Anzio-Malaga cable was a great loss and he hinted that there was a possibility of some sort of merger which, under Anglo-American direction, would have some regard for the Italcable shareholders. At a conference regarding the cables, at which Col Henderson and Major Scudder were present he felt he had made a faux pas in suggesting that the cable should not be cut and led into Gibraltar but that a four channel system should be used, two of which channels would be left for Allied traffic. Further his suggestion that the artificial line material as requested would not be suitable as the cables to be joined were of a different composition might have given the impression that he was obstructionist, whereas he said he put forward the remarks in good faith as a technician. Finally he said he was sure that he was denounced to the Gestapo by an Italcable colleague as no outsider would know of his personal and business relations with England and America. He feels that the Allies will have control of Italian external communications after the war, and my impression is that he doesn't relish the idea.

Sardinian Independence.



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#### Sardinian Independence.

It became evident that the real reason of his eagerness to make and keep the appointment was his real enthusiasm for the question of Sardinian Independence. After unburdening himself he asked me to "espouse the cause of Sardinian independence" by interesting my newspaper in the matter and writing some articles on the subject. He invited me to meet the central committee of the Separatist movement at some future date, to be fixed by mutual arrangement. The general position of the Separatist movement is that they have asked Col Poletti and Lt Col Wisko for permission to organise the movement, to publish a newspaper and eventually get permission to broadcast over the radio, political propaganda for a free and independent Sardinia.



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Sardinia which suffered under Spanish misadministration for three centuries was, under the Treaty of Darmstadt, handed over to the House of Savoy and has never had a chance of free expression of opinion. The Separatist movement say they are willing to have a free vote and secret ballot and prefer to have independent investigators go to Sardinia to confirm the fact that the majority of people in Sardinia want some form of self-government and to be freed from the bureaucratic Rome.

A contact of theirs in the Vatican, recently returned from England has told them that the post-war plans of the Allied Government aim at the setting up of a Latin Federation, with its Federal Capital in Rome, the present national capitals remaining as they are. The Separatists think that an Independent Sardinia could take its place within the framework of this Federation and in retaining autonomy could make the lot of the Sardinian people a better one. When I pointed out that this plan, supposedly approved by London, was no more than the original Laval plan for a Latin Federation he said that his informant was very reliable but he could not give me his name. In addition, by way of confirmation of this prelate's information he told me that the Separatists were informed that Austria was to be restored as an independent nation, Bavaria was to be reconstituted as an independent republic and the arrangements for Eastern Germany were being made, having regard to a Russian sphere of influence. When pressed about the possibility of obtaining permission for broadcasting he said that the other political parties did it. Did he get permission locally or from which source did the permission come? I asked. He was deliberately vague and a random suggestion that it might come from Algiers was met with the reply that he did not know. All he knew was that he thought the permission to go ahead with the movement had been given by Col. Poletti, nothing concrete apparently, just a benevolent acquiescence. He proposes to go to Sardinia and stay there, he is over 60 years of age and feels the strain. He has property there, a farm, where he can eat the best of food, look after his health and interest himself in politics and the cause of Sardinian independence.

4E Hans cont.  
Hopt: 87-Corps



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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 400

14th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/3/47

Subject : Italcable.

To : Rome Allied Area Command.  
Att: Signal Officer.

Regional Commissioner Region IV.  
(ref. letter of 26th July, 1944).

P.W.B., Rome.

Cable and Wireless, Rome.

Radio Corporation of America (R.C.A.C.), Rome.

1. Enclosed copy of letter of August 12th, 1944 is  
forwarded for your information.

2. The discharge of Dr. Spinelli and the appointment  
of Ing. MARINATO has been agreed by those concerned with the  
functions of the Italcable organization.

J. L. HENDERSON 483  
Colonel  
Director, Communications Sub-Commission

Incl: Letter to Ministry of Communications.



JLB/ITA

HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 68001 Ext 400

In reply refer  
to: CG/4/5/46

13th August 1944.

Subject: Italcables.

To: H.E. The Minister of Communications.

46 1. There are enclosed copies of the following letters  
both dated 12th August 1944:

45 (a) Letter to Dr. Guido SPINELLI informing him of his  
removal from any and all positions he may hold in the "Italcable"  
organization.

(b) Letter to Ing. Carlo Enrico MARTINATO informing him  
of his temporary appointment as Managing Director and General  
Manager of the "Italcable" organization.

2. Ing Martinato is not to be removed from this appoint-  
ment without the prior consent of the Allied Control Commission.

3. You are requested to take any necessary legal  
measures to regularise the situation.

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

for ack. see 7382



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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 489081 Ext. 333

12th August, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/44

Subject : Italcable.

To : Ing. Carlo Enrico Martinato  
Via Calabria 46 - 48, Roma.

1. As of August 12, 1944 you are hereby appointed Managing Director and Director General of the "Societa Servizi Cablografici, Radiotelegrafici e Radioelettrici "Italcable" and as a consequence will temporarily assume and exercise all powers which are delegated to the above mentioned offices by the statutes of said company or otherwise.
2. The above appointment is made in agreement with the Minister of Communications.
3. You are to take over the above duties immediately from the present incumbent or incumbents.
4. Copy of letter dated August 12th, 1944 addressed to Dottore Guido Spinelli is inclosed for your information.
5. It is requested that receipt of this letter be acknowledged forthwith.

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R. S. LUSH  
Brigadier  
Executive Commissioner

Incl: One letter.

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION  
APO 394.

Tel.Ext.563.

30 July 1944.

REFERENCE : ACC/4014/1/L.

SUBJECT : RDL of 15 November 1943.

TO : Communications Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your CS/4/8/43 dated 30 July 1944.
2. Confirming my telephone conversation of this afternoon, there would seem several possible courses of action to take.
3. First to meet the situation immediately I suggest you prepare letters for the signature of Brigadier Lush filling the vacancies in the two organizations mentioned by you such letters to be addressed to the persons who you select to fill the vacancies. This would, of course, only be on a temporary basis. To complete the record Brigadier Lush should also sign a letter to each of the officials who are being removed.
4. However, for a long term affair I would suggest that you discuss with your Minister the possibility of amending RDL of 15 November 1943 to meet a situation such as you find yourself in at the present time and which we discussed today. The only other alternative when this area is no longer Military Government Territory would be to have a separate decree issued by the Italian Government as to each new Appointee. It seems to me that this would be an inconvenient way of handling the matter and I suggest, therefore, that the framework for future appointments be fixed by an actual amendment of the above mentioned RDL.

RHW/wcw.

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| DIRECTOR      |
| D. DIRECTOR   |
| B. C. D.      |
| B. C. P.      |
| CENSORSHIP    |
| CHIEF CLERK   |
| Recd. 31.7.44 |

*Richard H. Wilmer*  
RICHARD H. WILMER,  
Colonel, C.A.C.  
Acting Chief Legal Officer.

*Mr. Tano reported that Bonomi would have  
B.L. issued on August 6, 1944*



HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 439081 Ext 400.

30th July 1944

In reply refer  
to: CS/4/8/43.

Subject: R.D. Law 15th November 1943.

To : Legal Sub-Commission.

1. This law provides for the naming of a Curator or Commissario in the cases of persons and companies whose residence, legal seat or central administration is in enemy occupied territory. It does not provide for the naming of a Commissario in cases where headquarters of a company or public body is not in enemy occupied territory.

2. We have two cases where a Commissario should be named.

a) R.I.A.R. This is a National Broadcasting Company and is considered a para-statal organisation. The Managing Director has been thrown out as a Fascist. Even if his resignation could be obtained (which it cannot) no quorum of the board of directors is available to elect a new managing director. Share holders meeting is not practicable to elect a new board of directors.

b) "Italcable". This is a nation wide company with international submarine cables and radio links. As such it is important to keep the company going. The managing director has been arrested and the company is without head. There is no quorum of directors in Rome and no possibility of a shareholders meeting to elect a new board.

3. Advice is requested as to what procedure should be followed to name a Commissario for each of the above named Companies.

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

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E I A R  
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N.8/B

REGIO DISCRETO-LEGGE 15 Novembre 1943.

Tutela degli interessi di persone fisiche o giuridiche di nazionalità italiana aventi la residenza o la sede nel territorio occupato dal nemico-

(Pubblicato nella Gazzetta Ufficiale - serie speciale - del  
18 novembre 1943, n.1/B)

VITTORIO EMANUELE III  
per grazia di Dio e per volontà della Nazione  
RE D' ITALIA

Visto l'art.18 della legge 19 gennaio 1939, n.129;

Visto il R.decreto-legge 30 ottobre 1943, n.2/B;

Ritenuto che si versa in stato di necessità per causa di guerra;

Sentito il Consiglio dei Ministri;

Sulla proposta del Capo del Governo, d'intesa col Ministro per l'industria, per il commercio e per il lavoro;

Abbiamo decretato e decretiamo:

## Art.1

Per provvedere alla tutela degli interessi di persone fisiche o giuridiche di nazionalità italiana, aventi la residenza o la sede nel territorio dello Stato occupato dal nemico, può essere nominato un curatore speciale.

Il provvedimento di nomina del curatore speciale determina gli atti che questi ha facoltà di compiere.

Nel compimento degli atti indicati nel provvedimento di nomina, il curatore speciale rappresenta legalmente la persona nel cui interesse la nomina è stata disposta.

La nomina del curatore speciale è disposta, su istanza di chiunque vi abbia interesse o del pubblico ministero, da un tribunale sedente in territorio non occupato dal nemico, con decreto emesso in Camera di consiglio.



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## Art.2

Per provvedere alla gestione delle sedi secondarie, filiali, rappresentanze o agenzie di enti o di società, i cui organi amministrativi si trovano in territorio occupato dal nemico, può essere nominato un commissario.

Il provvedimento di nomina determina quali dei poteri spettanti agli organi ordinari dell'ente o della società siano demandati al commissario.

Se si tratta di ente pubblico, la nomina del commissario è disposta con provvedimento del Capo del Governo. In ogni altro caso si applica l'ultimo comma dell'articolo precedente.

## Art.3

Il presente decreto, che entra in vigore nel giorno successivo a quello della sua pubblicazione nella Gazzetta Ufficiale del Regno - serie speciale - sarà presentato alle Assemblee legislative per la conversione in legge.

Il Capo del Governo proponente è autorizzato a presentare il relativo disegno di legge.

Ordiniamo, a chiunque spetti, di osservare il presente decreto e di farlo osservare come legge dello Stato.

Dal Comando Supremo, 15 novembre 1943.

VITTORIO EMANUELE

Badooglio - Piccardi

Visto: (ai sensi del R. decreto 30 ottobre 1943, n.1/B)  
Il Guardasigilli: BADOGLIO.

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*Capt. Anderson*  
*Em*

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION

8 July 1944

Subject: Use of ItalCable transmitters.

At a second meeting held on the above subject attended by Mr. Eiman, Mr. Schneider, Capt. Anderson, Peter Rhodes, Mr. Bessie and Mr. Topmiller, the use of the ItalCable transmitters was changed from the previous agreed usage outlined at a meeting on 2/7/44.

The change was brought about after conference with the CSO AAI, and on agreement to make a transmitter available to Cable and Wireless.

It is now proposed that the 7 short wave transmitters and the one long wave transmitter be used as follows:

Short Wave transmitter #1 : To be used by FWB on a day frequency of 6 to 7 mc for the Italian Press file.

Short Wave transmitter #2: To be used by FWB on a night frequency in the 1.5 mc band for the Italian Press file.

Short Wave Transmitter #3: To be used by PRO and FWB on one frequency in the 6 mc and one frequency in the 11 mc band for voicecast copy and radio-photo.

Short Wave Transmitter #4: To be used by PRO and FWB on one frequency in the 16 mc and 1 frequency in the 19 mc band for voicecast copy and radio photo.

Short Wave transmitter #5: To be converted to a 20 KW medium wave broadcast transmitter for propaganda broadcasting to Northern Italy.

Short Wave transmitter #6: To work on the present JDJD frequencies to service FWB Mediterranean with an English news file.

Short Wave transmitter #7: To be used by Cable and Wireless.

Long Wave transmitter: To be used by FWB on Italian News file and paired with the short wave transmitters on Italian News.

It should be noted that two SHORT WAVE transmitters are required on Italian Press because of the fact that the frequency range of the transmitters cannot be made to cover greater than approx. a 2 to 1 freq. range. Thus for the 1.5 and 6 mc frequencies one transmitter for each will be required. The same is true of the PRO transmitter where two short wave transmitters will be required to cover the frequency range of 6 mc to 19 mc. The long wave transmitter paired on Italian news, will be of little value in the immediate future but will become of more and more value as FWB gets long wave receivers into the hands of Italian newspapers.

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## FREQUENCIES REQUIRED:

For short wave transmitters #1 and #2 a frequency between 1.5 and 1.6 megs will be required for night, and a frequency between 6 and 7 mc will be required for day. It has been suggested that the present 1490 and the shared use of the 63 circuit 6 mc frequency be continued for Italian news, however, these frequencies were obtained for a communication circuit from forward areas back to the news center, and cannot be used for Italian News OUTGOING, if the Italian desk is to have Northern Italy news for its file.

For short wave transmitters #3 and #4 one frequency in the 6 mc band, one in the 11 mc band, and one in the 16 mc band and one in the 19 mc band will be required. It is understood that 6025-9610 and 15165kc are being cleared for this transmitter. This leaves an 11 mc and a 19 mc frequency to be obtained. It is suggested that the frequencies of 12017.5 and 19520 which were originally used by these transmitters be cleared for use.

Short Wave transmitter #5 when converted to a broadcast transmitter will use the present Rome frequency of 968 kc. No addition freq. for it will be required.

Short Wave transmitter #6 will use the present JDJD frequencies and no additional frequencies will be required for it.

Long Wave transmitter: An alternate frequency of 47.2 ks is proposed.

## POWER AUTHORIZED FOR USE:

It is strongly recommended that all frequencies be cleared for use with a power of 15 kw. If this cannot be done it is thought that service can be rendered with a power as low as 5kw but no lower. Since the Press transmitters will be working into omnidirectional antennas they will not have the power gain of a beam antenna so the power of the transmitter will have to be greater than that normally used for the same distance on a beam antenna. The broadcast transmitter should of course work at 20 kw and the 968 freq has already been cleared for a power up to 50 kw. The long wave transmitter should likewise be cleared for a power of 20 kw if it is to be used effectively. It is proposed not to put this transmitter on until 10 to 15 long wave receiving sets can be put in the field. It is thought it will be possible to have these sets constructed here.

DIRECTOR

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Telephone 439081 Ext 400

In reply refer  
to: CS/4/8/40.

23rd July 1944.

Subject: ITALCABLE.

To: The Under Secretary of State for PP. TT.

1. Transmitted herewith for your information an anonymous communication referring to the Italcable and suggesting the appointment of Ricardo De Cataldo as Commissioner.

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

Enclosure: Memorandum.

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UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE  
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR ITALY

July 21, 1944.

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM TO: Allied Control Commission.

FROM: American Representative,  
Advisory Council for Italy.

SUBJECT: Transmission of Memorandum regarding the  
Societa Italcable.

There is transmitted for the information of the Allied Control Commission a memorandum regarding the alleged necessity of appointing a Commissioner for the Societa Italcable and recommending Dr. Ing. Riccardo de Cataldo for that position. The memorandum was sent to Ambassador Alexander Kirk, American Representative, Advisory Council for Italy, by a person who explained that it had been handed to him by a friend (whom he did not name) in the company.

b. a. j. Enclosure:

Memorandum.



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MEETING HELD 19th July 1944

Present: Chairman

Colonel J.L. Henderson, Director, Communications Sub-Commission,  
Lt. Colonel E.J. Crossman, Legal Sub-Commission,  
Major H.B. Seidler, Communications Sub-Commission,  
H.E. F. Corbourn, Minister of Communications,  
H.E. M. Frost, Under Secretary of State for Posts & Telegraphs,  
Mr. C. Maggias, Cables and Wireless,  
Mr. L. Mann, Cables and Wireless,  
Dr. G. Spirelli, Italcable,  
Mr. G. Sturis, Italcable.

Colonel Henderson opened the meeting with the statement that the question to be discussed was the terms and conditions of the lease of certain cable terminal equipment now in Malaga by Italcable to Cables and Wireless. Colonel Henderson stated that the Italian Government was interested as under present conditions no such lease could be entered into by Italcable without the approval of the Italian Government.

Mr. Spirelli asked if it would be acceptable if equipment were delivered from Italy rather than Malaga, and it was agreed that such action would be acceptable if equipment were available. Discussion took place as to what equipment was required and Colonel Henderson brought out that from the correspondence, the only equipment involved was the artificial lines now at Malaga necessary for duplex working of both types of cables originally terminating at Malaga.

A suggestion by Mr. Spirelli that cable be brought in and out of Malaga instead of transferring terminal equipment to Gibraltar was rejected on the basis of military security. On the assumption that the Malaga equipment was available, discussion took place on the terms of rental. It was agreed as follows:

1. From 6 months after cessation of hostilities between the United Nations and Germany.
2. Responsibility for transport of equipment from Malaga and delivery to Cables and Wireless in Gibraltar to be Italcable. Diplomatic action required for such movement to be taken by the Allied Authorities.
3. An agreed detailed list of equipment involved will be established by Italcable and Cables and Wireless by 24th July 1944, at the latest. Cable and Wireless will arrange for a trip to Malaga with representatives of Italcable to explore possibility of equipment available there. It was pointed out that no equipment could be removed from Italy which might be needed for future Allied requirements.
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5. Italcable and Cables and Wireless to agree on value of equipment.

6. The next meeting to be held at the same place at 1600 hours 26th July 1944, at which Italcable will have ready a draft agreement.

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Lt. Colonel E.J. Crossman, Legal Sub-Commission.  
Major H.H. Squibler, Communications Sub-Commission.  
H.E. F. Corbourn, Minister of Communications.  
H.E. M. Fano, Under Secretary of State for Posts & Telegraphs.  
Mr. C. Magin, Cables and Wireless.  
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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394In reply refer  
to: CS/4/8/38

17th July, 1944.

Extension No. 400

Subject: Lease of Italcable Equipment at Malaga to Cable and  
Wireless Ltd.To: Lieut.-Colonel Grossman,  
Legal Sub-Commission, ACC.

1. There is an ex-Italcable submarine cable ROME,  
BARCELONA, MALAGA, AZORES.
2. It has been or is being cut out of BARCELONA and  
MALAGA, and cut in to GIBRALTAR.
3. It will be operated by Cable and Wireless Ltd.
4. It is required to transfer the apparatus at MALAGA  
to GIBRALTAR.
5. Cable and Wireless proposed to buy the equipment.  
The Italian Government and Italcables do not want to sell, but are  
prepared to lease for duration plus six months.
6. Cable and Wireless have now agreed to proceed on a  
lease basis.
7. The questions likely to arise are:-
  - (a) Who is responsible for delivery to Gibraltar.
  - (b) Will Italcable's representative in Malaga accept the  
instruction as competent.
  - (c) Will the Spanish authorities agree to release.
  - (d) What is the definition of 'duration'.
  - (e) Financial details.
8. The meeting is being held at 2 p.m. in Room 34,  
Fourth Floor, ACC Headquarters.

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The following representatives will be present:-

Italcables  
Cable and Wireless  
Ministry of Communications  
Ministry of Finance  
Communications Sub-Commission, ACC  
Legal Sub-Commission, ACC.

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



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14 JULY 44

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RELEASING ITALY AND GERMANY AND WIRELESS ON SUBJECT DEATH OF POLAND  
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Col. G. D. Bensmore AGC (re 311.2)  
 J/C A. C. Hopkins, Polt. Sect. AGC.  
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
Office of the Chief Signal Officer

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Ref: CSE/22

4 July 1944

SUBJECT: Submarine Cables, M.T.O.

TO : Allied Control Commission. (For: Deputy Chief Commissioner).

1. Reference is made to our letter of 24 June 1944 and your DCC 311.2 dated 20 June 1944.

2. Cable and Wireless Divisional Manager for the Mediterranean area now advises that his Head Office has instructed their representative in Naples to resume negotiations with the Commissioner for Italcables on a lease basis.

*W. S. B.*  
for Major General,  
Chief Signal Officer.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Secretary General

SUBJECT: Attached letter, 24 June 44,  
from CSO AFHQ, Subject "Submarine  
TO: Cables, M.T.O."  
Communications Sub-Commission

FILE No. A/CC 311.2

1 July 1944

The Personal Aide to the Acting Chief Commissioner has directed that the attached communication be transmitted to you.

*Sgt Shenfield*  
Sgt Shenfield

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
Office of the Chief Signal Officer

24 June 1944

DSH 1468  
1 JUL 1944

SUBJECT: Submarine Cables, M.T.O.

TO : Allied Control Commission.  
(For: Deputy Chief Commissioner).

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1. Reference is made to your letter DOC 311.2 dated 20 June 44.
2. This matter has been referred to Cable and Wireless Divisional Manager for the Mediterranean area. He is in communication with his Head Office with a view to their reconsideration of the terms of the proposed lease.

*J. Bloodworth*  
for Major General,  
Chief Signal Officer.

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APC 394

14th July, 1944.

In reply  
refer to: OS/4/6/32

Subject : Italcables Equipment, Malaga.

To : Major G. E. Anauer (A),  
A.C.C. Signals, Naples.

1. A meeting will take place between A.C.C., Cable and Wireless, Italcables and the Italian Government to settle details of the proposed lease of Italcable equipment at Malaga to Cable and Wireless Ltd.

2. The meeting will be held at the A.C.C. Hqs, Provincia Building, Naples at 1400 hours 12 July, 1944.

3. Please arrange to attend, and to notify the Manager, Cable and Wireless, Naples.

J. L. HENDERSON

Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission

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Copy to: Col. J. L. Henderson HQs A.C.C. (re file 311.2).  
J/C M. C. Hopkins, Political Section, A.C.C. (re  
Resmin cable No. 94 - AFHQ (Resmin) have been  
notified by cable)  
Minister of Communications (confirming telephone  
arrangements)

JLH/epc



ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

SUBJECT: Italcable apparatus in Spain

FILE No. A/CC 311.2

TO: Communications Section, Rear Hq ACC

27 June 1944

## 1. References (both attached):

a. Letter, Office of the British High Commissioner in Italy,  
to J/C M.C. Hopkins, 26 June 1944.

b. Incoming telegram No. 94, from Resmin, Algiers, June 9, 1944.

2. I am sure that something was done on attached, nevertheless will  
you prepare reply for the Office of the British High Commissioner. Thanks.

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*L. D. Densmore*L. D. DENSMORE  
Colonel, Sig G  
PA to A/CC 61



OFFICE OF THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN ITALY,  
Via Agostino de Pretis,  
NAPLES.

J/C M.C. Hopkins

On 13th June Mr. Halford sent a copy of  
the enclosed Algiers telegram to Admiral Stone.  
Algiers have now telegraphed asking if the  
Control Commission is yet in a position to  
give the information asked for in that  
telegram.

Would you pass the word therefore to the  
appropriate section of the Commission?

R.L. Howarth

26th June, 1944.



CopyINCOMING TELEGRAM

From: Resmin, Algiers. Des: 19.50 10.6.44  
To: High Commissioner, Naples. Rec: 09.00 11.6.44

CODETel. No. 94 (9.6.44)

Please pass the following to Captain Stone, Deputy  
Chief Commissioner.

Begins:

Reference your memorandum DOC 311.2 June 3rd about Italcable  
apparatus in Spain.

We should be grateful for information as to place and date of  
proposed meeting between Cables and Wireless and Italcable.  
Negotiations between the two companies have hitherto been  
conducted in Madrid.

Ends:



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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

28th June, 1944.

In reply  
refer to: CS/4/8/30

Subject : Italcable Apparatus at Malaga.

To : The Ministry of Communications.

Reference your S/S.5/1536 dated 29th May, 1944.

1. Cable and Wireless is now prepared to discuss the transfer of the Italcable apparatus from Malaga on a lease basis.
2. If you will be good enough to inform me who will represent your Ministry and who should represent Italcables, I will proceed to make arrangements for a conference in Naples at a date convenient to your office.

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

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*Communications S.C.*  
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 ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS  
 Office of the Chief Signal Officer

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CHD/LAR  
 APO 512, U.S. Army.  
 23 June 1944.

Mr. T. D. Nicola,  
 Manager,  
 RCA Communications, Inc.,  
 APO 702, U. S. Army.

Dear Mr. Nicola:

Reference is made to your letter of 15 June 1944 to Capt. Hoover.

There is no objection from this office to an arrangement between yourselves and Italcable calling for the loan of some of their operating equipment to your station. This should be coordinated with the AFI representative in Rome. (Orig. Buchanan of the Rome Wire Board.)

The free interchanging of RMC assigned frequencies in Rome and Naples is authorized. The location of your station sites should be discussed with the Signal Officer, RMC.

Your request regarding the employment of Italian Operators has been referred to Communications Censorship Branch and C-5 for their comments.

Your letter reached this office of June 21st, 1944. It is desirable that requests of the type contained in your letter be directed to the Chief Signal Officer, AFHQ.

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A. C. C.

Copies to:  
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 SigO, AFHQ  
 AOC

E. J. TULLY  
 Brigadier General, U.S. Army,  
 Deputy Chief Signal Officer.

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Translation no. 826 - Telecoms - 24.6.44 - Roman

Ministry of Communications

Palermo, 22nd June 44

File no. 606137/T

To C.C.C.

Telecoms Sub-comm.

Subject: Telegraphic Communications with Sardinia.

1. The inconveniences we have been obliged to ~~undergo~~<sup>face</sup> in the telegraphic communications with Sardinia are well known, as a result of the single ~~cable~~ submarine cable running from Naples through Palermo and Cagliari.

~~With~~ With the recent advance however the situation has ~~for~~ changed considerably. In fact to the above-mentioned cable have been added:

(a) the telephone - telegraph cable from Trionfimo (Rome) to Olbia, on which <sup>458</sup> ~~an~~ infra-acoustic telegraph communications and two telephone communication services <sup>are</sup> in operation;

(b) the Galanone - La Maddalena telegraph cable kept in the past as an auxiliary.



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It seems moreover, that during the war ~~the cable~~ the Anglo-Malaga "Italcable" <sup>cable</sup> was cut opposite the Bocche di Bonifacio and the terminal carried to La Maddalena. Further and more precise information is being requested.

There are now four cables available between the continent and Sicily ~~which~~ which gives us reason to hope that one ~~may~~ be assigned for use by the Italian Government.

In this regards it may be pointed out that the use of rapid, duplex apparatus would permit carrying out ~~a~~ communicating a considerable number of messages, and the P.P. TT. Administration would ~~be~~ moreover <sup>be</sup> at the disposal of the Allied Commands for the transmission of telegrams not of a secret character.

2. There was also a cable of the "Italcable" running from Angio to Palermo. If this cable or the other Naples-Palermo could be used by the Italian Government, communications with Sicily would greatly improve, since they are



3) ~~still~~ for many reasons, <sup>still</sup> uncertain and irregular.

3. We trust the A.C.C. will kindly look into these matters.

The Undersecretary of State.

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Wrote  
Mr. Sanders  
on this & asked  
him to represent this  
in Rome, or, if unable to get  
right person, inform me &  
would like to see him  
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## MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

Salerno, li 22 GIU 1944

Alla Commissione Alleata di  
Controllo- Post And Telecoms

Sub Commission

APO 394

Servizio Div. Sec.  
Prot. N. 606137 T. Allegati

Risposta al f. N.

del

OGGETTO COMUNICAZIONI TELEGRAFICHE CON LA SARDEGNA.--

1.-- E' noto lo stato di disagio che si è sinora verificato nelle comunicazioni telegrafiche con la Sardegna, per l'esistenza di un solo cavo sottomarino : quello da Napoli per Palermo e Cagliari.

Con la recente avanzata, la situazione si è profondamente modificata. Infatti al cavo suddetto si sono avuti ad aggiungere:  
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2/- Esisteva inoltre fra Anzio e Palermo un cavo della Italcable. Se questo cavo o l'altro Napoli e Palermo potesse essere utilizzato dal Governo italiano si migliorerebbero moltissimo le comunicazioni con la Sicilia, che sono ancora per molte ragioni incerte ed irregolari.

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3.- Si confida nel cortese interessamento di codesta Commissione.

~~IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO~~



SECRET

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EWS/hjp

DCC 311.2

20 June 1944

SUBJECT: Submarine Cables M.T.G.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512  
(For: C.S.O.)

20 JUN 1944

1. Reference your letter from the office of the Chairman of the Combined Signal Board dated 10 June 1944 (no reference number).
2. Please see attached copies of correspondence with Cables & Wireless.
3. The Italian Government does not wish to change its views, as expressed in Incl #4 to my letter DCC 311.2 dated 3 June 1944.
4. It will therefore be seen that an <sup>13</sup>Japanese has been reached.
5. It is the view of this Commission that the Italian Government is correct and reasonable in its attitude in the matter, and if the transfer of equipment is required, Cables & Wireless Ltd. should be directed by the C.C.S. to proceed with arrangements on a lease basis.

ELERY W. STONE  
Captain, USNR  
Deputy Chief Commissioner

2 Incls:

Incl 1 - Ltr, Communications S/C ACC  
TS/4/8/24, 14 June 44Incl 2 - Ltr, C & W, 16th June 44  
with copy of telegram

cc: Communications Sub-Com

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SECRET



JLH/rm

REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394Incl. 1In reply refer  
to RFB/4/8/24.

14th June 1944.

Subject: Italcables Equipment at Malaga.

To: The Manager, Cable and Wireless Ltd, Naples.

1. As explained to you verbally, it is required to know whether your organization is prepared to proceed with arrangements to lease the Italcable apparatus at Malaga and transfer it to Gibraltar, on the basis of the Italian Government's proposals.

2. It is understood that you have now received the necessary directions from your head office and I should be grateful if you would notify this office whether you wish us to arrange a meeting with the Commissioner for Italcables, which would only be likely to lead to definite results if your instructions are in general agreement with the proposals of the Italian Government already known to you.

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

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COPY

CABLE AND WIRELESS LIMITED

NAPLES BRANCH

Incl 2.

16th June, 1944

To: Colonel J.L. Henderson, Director, Communications  
Sub-Commission

Subject: Italcables Equipment at Malaga.

1. Receipt of your letter, TS/4/8/24, dated 14th June, 1944, is acknowledged.
2. Direction regarding the basis of negotiation have been received from our Head Office, and a copy of the signal is attached for your information.
3. As the basis of the Italian Government's proposals is that the Italcable apparatus should be leased; and, as our Head Office state that they are not interested in a lease but are prepared to buy outright; it would seem unlikely at present that a meeting with the Commissioner for Italcables would lead to definite results.
4. I would be grateful therefore if you would be good enough to convey to the Italian Government our reasons for declining their offer to lease this apparatus and to ask if they would be prepared to re-consider the subject on the basis of outright purchase.

/s/ R.C. Hamon,  
Manager,  
C. & W. Ltd., Naples.

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*Handwritten notes:*  
Hamp 17m  
Jun. 27  
proposed  
basis.  
Said C. & W.  
dismiss lease  
see



C O P Y

CABLE AND WIRELESS LIMITED

SERVICE TELEGRAM

10/6/44 1800.

XBCV 337 DE MEDIT HAMPTON 56 FID - SIX FROM MANAGING  
DIRECTOR I/L FOR HAMPTON QUOTE YOUR F/T VIEW RISK LOSS BREAKAGE  
CAUSED PRESENT PRECARIOUS SHIPPING FACILITIES AND POSSIBILITY  
APPARATUS BEING SPLIT UP AND DISTRIBUTED ELSEWHERE WHEN DUE RETURN  
NOT INTERESTED LEASE BUT PREPARED BUY OUTRIGHT ON BASIS COD  
CIBRANTAR X LEAVE YOU NEGOTIATE THESE LINES UNQUOTE ENDS.

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DRAFTSECRET

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To: A.F.H.Q. (for C.S.C.)

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ELLERY W. STONE  
Captain, U.S.N.R.  
Deputy Chief Commissioner.

2 Incls:

- OK *guy*
- Incl. 1. Letter, Communications S/C A.C.C. TS/4/2/24, 14 June/44  
Incl. 2. Letter, C.& W. 16th June, with copy of Telegram.

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JLH/epc

REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

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17th June 1944.

In reply refer  
to: TS/4/8/27.

Subject: Italcables Equipment at Malaga.

To: Cable and Wireless, Ltd, Naples.

Reference your letter of 16th June 1944, the contents are noted and the reply to the question in the final paragraph is in the negative.

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

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IN REFER TO

No.

## CABLE &amp; WIRELESS LIMITED

*The Eastern Telegraph Company Limited.*

(ASSOCIATED WITH CABLE AND WIRELESS LIMITED.)

N A P L E S

*Branch*

16th June, 1944.

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*R.C. Hampton*

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Manager,  
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**CABLE AND WIRELESS LIMITED.**

(C. and W.)

(INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.)

10/6/44. 1800.

SERVICE TELEGRAM.

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14 June 1944

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To: Communications Sub-Commission

Attached herewith for necessary action is copy of note from British High Commissioner to Captain Stone transmitting copy of incoming telegram from Algiers to British High Commissioner in Naples.

*Frank J. Slaughter*  
FRANK J. SLAUGHTER  
Captain, A.G.D.  
Deputy Secretary General

DIRECTOR. *W*  
D.DIRECTOR.  
S O D.  
S O P.  
C.E.S.O.D.S.M.  
C.E.S.O.D.S.M.  
*Recd. 16.6.44*

B/F...  
reply to 24,  
on 18 June.

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25-2

OFFICE OF THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN ITALY,  
Via Agostino de Pretis,  
NAPLES.

(3/57/44)

13th June 1944.

Dear Ellery,

I enclose a copy of a cable dated June 9th which I have received  
from the Resident Minister at Algiers.

Yours ever,

/s/ Aubrey Milford

Captain E. Stone, U.S.N.R.,  
Deputy Chief Commissioner,  
Allied Control Commission,  
NAPLES.

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ENCLOSURE

Copy of incoming telegram from Algiers to High Commissioner, Naples. (9.6.44)

CODE

Reference your memorandum DCC 311.2 June 3rd about Italcable apparatus  
in Spain.

We should be grateful for information as to place and date of proposed  
meeting between Cables and Wireless and Italcable. Negotiations between  
the two companies have hitherto been conducted in Madrid.

Ends:

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JLH/rm

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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

14th June 1944.

In reply refer  
to TS/4/8/24.

see 23

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

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*Communications S/c***SECRET**

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COPY

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
Office of the Chairman  
Combined Signal Board

10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Submarine Cables, M.T.O. *Dec 24*TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission.  
(Attention: Deputy Chief Commissioner).

1. Reference is made to your letter DCC 311.2 of 3 June, and enclosures.
2. The Combined Signal Board, AFHQ, have requested Cable and Wireless Limited to provide the personnel and equipment to operate the terminals of the Anzio-Gibraltar cable. This circuit, therefore, will be classed as commercially operated. As it is desired to pass Confidential and Restricted Allied Military traffic in the clear on this circuit, security considerations will not permit the utilisation of Italcable personnel for its operation.
3. The Anzio-Maddalena cable, which is already in operation, and the Anzio-Palermo cable, which will be restored in due course, will be operated and maintained by Allied Military personnel.
4. The question of the proposed lease of equipment by the Italcable Company to Cable & Wireless Ltd. was originally put forward by the latter with the complete approval of the British Joint Communications Board. The lease of this equipment will greatly contribute to the efficiency of the operation of the Rome-Gibraltar cable outlet. This outlet will be of vital importance to us when the Headquarters of the Allied Armies in Italy moves to the Rome area. The Combined Signal Board is, therefore, in full accord with the proposed lease.

/s/ R. W. Minckler  
Col., Sig.C.  
for L. B. NICHOLLS  
Major General,  
Chairman,  
Combined Signal Board, AFHQ.

## Copies to:

British Resident Minister, Algiers.  
Divisional Manager, Cable & Wireless Ltd., Algiers.

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Tel. 636 - Tele. 6 June 1944. Sgt. Soria

Ministry of Communications

Salem, 3 June 1944

File No. 4172/8380

To: Ministry of Finance  
Salem

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and, for information, to: ACC - Finance Sub-Commission  
not recd. Salem

SUBJECT: Payment of salaries to Employees of ITALCABLE in Sicily.

We have received letter No. 533/leg. dated 25 May and regarding its contents we feel we must point out that, in our opinion, it is not advisable to adopt the measure suggested by you, because it is the fact the main Offices of Posts and Telegraphs of Sicily have, as per our order, administered and paid monthly salaries to the personnel of Italcable, when the Commissioner of this Agency was appointed and an administrative office of the Agency was set up, the administration of all the personnel should, as we see it, be centered and assigned to the Agency itself.

We are in a position to know that said office, through a bank, has obtained the capital needed to start an administration of the Agency, and it therefore seems logical that it is fully formed and ready to operate without continuing to have a State department advance funds for the salaries of personnel belonging to a private corporation.

Before taking action on the matter, we would be glad to hear from you.

Type & forward to

Finance S/C.

Keep copy. Yes

copy sent  
on 8.6.44.

Post

The Minister  
B/ Cirabona

File Italcable



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MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

DIREZIONE GENERALE PP. II.

To: Majin Scudlow  
Commissioner Sub  
Communi

Salerno, 3 Giugno 1944

Al

MINISTERO DELLE FINANZE

SALERNO

e p.c. alla Commissione Allesta di Controllo  
 Sottocommissione Finanziaria - SALERNO

N. 442/8380

Risposto al N.

OGGETTO: Pagamento stipendi e dipendenti  
dell'ITALCABLE in Sicilia

Abbiamo ricevuto la lettera n. 533/seg. in data 25 maggio u.s. ed in merito a quanto in essa contenuto riteniamo di dover rilevare come, a nostro avviso, sia inopportuno adottare la procedura proposta in quanto se per il passato le Direzioni delle Poste e Telegrafi della Sicilia hanno, per ns. disposizione, amministrato il personale dell'Italcable e corrisposto loro gli stipendi mensili, con l'avvenuta nomina del Commissario di detta Società e con la costituzione di una Direzione amministrativa della stessa, l'amministrazione di tutto il personale sociale dovrebbe, a ns. avviso, essere disposta ed accentrata presso la Società in parola.

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Prima di disporre al riguardo, gradiremo pertanto ricevere Va. cortese cenno in merito.

IL MINISTRO 440



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### III. DISCUSSION

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*Peru*

DIRECTOR  
 D/DIRECTOR  
 S. O. (T)  
 S. C. P.  
 CEPT 3134P.  
 CHIEF CLERK.



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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

12th June, 1944.

In reply  
refer to: TS/4/8/21

Subject : Italcables: Sig.Piccoli.

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

Reference your letter No.5/13/1731 dated  
9th June, 1944.

1. Passes are only permitted to Rome for the  
express purpose of assistance to the war effort.
2. The application by Rag.Piccoli is not consider-  
ed to fall within this category.
3. The Italcable organization in Rome is under  
the direction of Dr.Spinalli, who is reported as being  
thought to be fully capable of carrying on to the satis-  
faction of the Allied authorities.
4. The application is therefore refused unless  
and until the presence of Rag. Piccoli in Rome is required  
in furtherance of the war effort.

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

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Translation No. 687- Mr. Bonanni

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Ministry of Communications

Ltr No. S/13 /1731

Salerno 9 June 1944

To ALL

Post &amp; Telecons

Salerno

Subject: Request of the Commissioner of the Italcable, Rag. Augusto Piccoli, for a permit for and from Rome.

Rag. Augusto Piccoli, Commissioner of the Italcable, sent us the letter, a copy of which is enclosed. We would be grateful if the Commission would kindly give us a reply on the matter.

The Under Secretary of State

Enclosure: 1 copy of letterFano

DIRECTOR

D/DIRECTOR

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CENSORSHIP

CHIEF CLERK

Recd 12.6.44

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## ITAL CABLE

Cablegram, Radiogram and Radio-electric  
ServicesSeat in Rome

File No. 279/V

Naples, 9 June 1944

Subject: Request for a permanent permit to be  
used for and from Rome.

To: Ministry of Communications

In order that I may carry <sup>out</sup> my functions  
as Commissioner of the Italcable, I have  
requested a permanent permit for and from  
Rome. However, the Allied Command has  
replied as follows:

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"Should the Minister of Poste and Telegraph  
deem it necessary that you make the trip  
in the interest of the Italian Government then



the Ministers office should request the passes."

In view of the above I take the liberty of requesting the following passes:

1- for Cav. Off. AUGUSTO PICCOLI -  
Commissioner of Re Italeable.

2 - for M. GIUSEPPE GIORRE - Chauffeur.

Car No. 21620 with A.N.G. pass No. 51399.

I thank you.

Yours Truly,

The Commissioner of Re  
Italeable

/s/ Augusto Piccoli

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/dr.



MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
DIREZIONE GENERALE PP. TT.

Salerno, 9 Giugno 1944

Alla

COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO  
Post and Telecommunications

SALERNO

N. S/13/1731

Risposta al N.

OGGETTO: Richiesta di permesso per e da Roma del Commissario  
dell'Italcable Reg. Augusto Piccoli -

Il Reg. Augusto PICCOLI, Commissario dell'Italcable ci  
trasmette la lettera unita in copia in base alla quale saremmo gra-  
ti a codesta Spett. Commissione Alleata se ci volesse fornire e-  
lementi di risposta al riguardo.

IL SOTTOSGREGARIO DI STATO

All. 1 copia di lettera

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Copia

I T A L I A N E

Servizi Cablografici Radiotelegrafici e Radioteletrici

Sede in ROMA

N. 272/US

Napoli, 9 Giugno 1944

OGGETTO: Richiesta di permesso  
per e da Roma continuo-  
tivo.

On/le MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
Direzione Generale PP.TT.

S A L E R N O

Per l'espletamento del mio mandato in qualità di  
Commissario della Italcable, ho chiesto il permesso continua-  
tivo per e da Roma, ma questo Comando Alleato mi ha risposto  
come appresso:

" Should the Minister of Poste and Telegraph deem it  
necessary that <sup>you</sup> make the trip in the interest of the Italian  
Government then the Ministers office should request the passes"

In considerazione di quanto sopra mi permetto doman-  
dare i seguenti permessi:

- 1 - Cav.Uff. AUGUSTO PICCOLI - Commissario Italcable;
- 2 - Sig. GIUSEPPE GIOBBE - Chauffeur - Macchina N.21620 con  
pass A.M.G. N° 51399.

Ringraziando, ossequio infinitamente.

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IL COMMISSARIO DELLA ITALCABLE



On/le MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI  
Direzione Generale P.T.T.

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pass A.M.G. N° 51389.

Ringraziando, ossequio infinitamente.

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IL COMMISSARIO DELLA ITALCABLE

F.to Augusto Piccoli



**SECRET**19  
EWS/hjp

DOC 311.2

3 June 1944

SUBJECT: Submarine Cables, M.T.O.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512  
(Attention: Chief Signal Officer)D38 321  
3 JUN 1944

1. Certain correspondence on the matter of transfer of Italcable apparatus from Spain to Gibraltar has been in progress through political channels.

2. It is understood that the submarine cable system in the M.T.O. is under the direction of AFHQ vide AFHQ Signal Instruction No. 104 dated 10 February 1944.

3. In order to avoid any action being taken that is not in full accord with the plans of the combined Signal Board, copies of the correspondence are enclosed as Inclosures #1 - #6.

4. We should be grateful for information on the policy that is going to be adopted on the Italcable submarine cable circuits from Rome; in particular, whether these cables will be classed as military or commercially operated, and, if the latter, whether it is the intention to utilize the personnel of Italcable on the operating of the circuits.

5. In the meantime we are proceeding with the arrangements for a meeting between Cables & Wireless and Italcables in Naples, and the subsequent drafting of a cablegram from the Italian Government to the Italian Embassy in Madrid, on the assumption that the proposed lease of equipment is in accordance with the policy of the Combined Signal Board.

6 Incls:

Incl 1 - Ltr, British Resident  
Minister, 37/150/9  
16 March 1944

Incl 2 - Ltr, DCC ACC, 24 Mar 44

Incl 3 - Ltr, British Resident Minister,  
37/150/9, 12 May 1944

Incl 4 - Ltr, Italian Ministry of Comms.  
No. S/8.5/1536, 29 May 1944

Incl 5 - Ltr, Comms S/C ACC, TS/4/8/8, 21 May 44

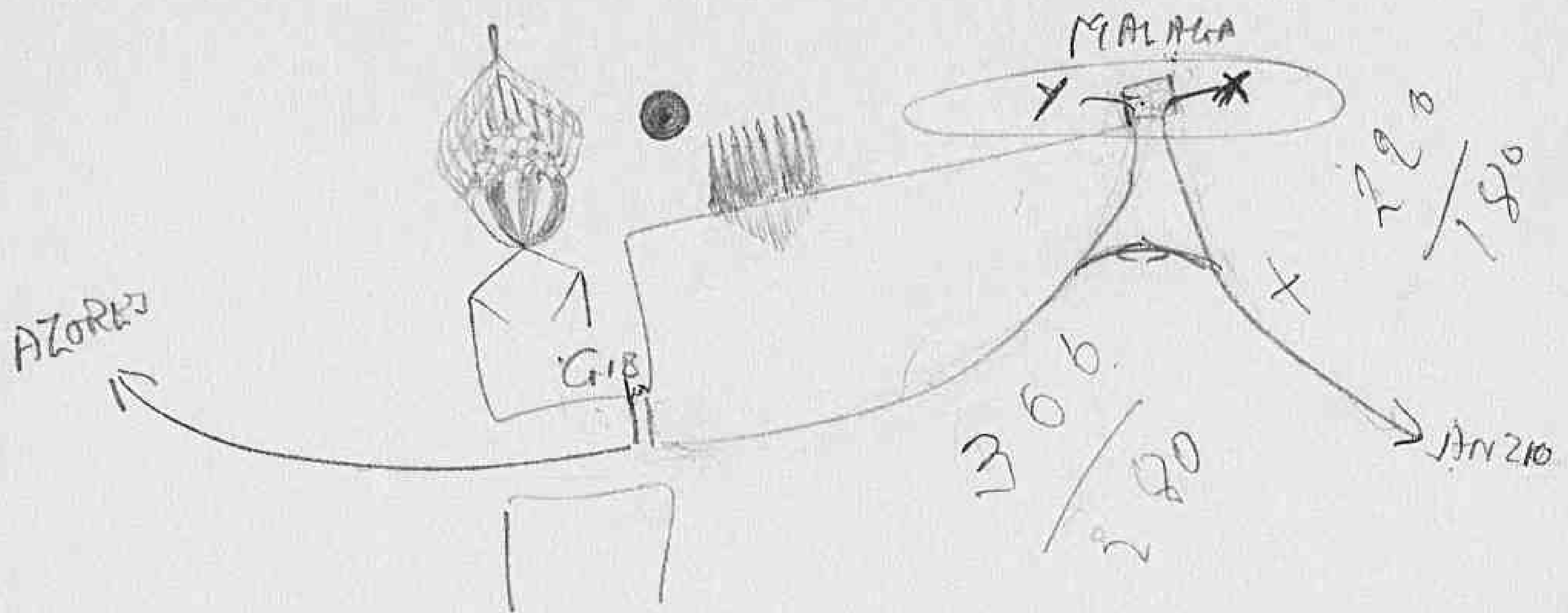
Incl 6 - Ltr, DCC ACC, DCC 311.2, 3 June 44

ELERY E. STONE  
Captain, USNR  
Deputy Chief Commissioner

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Copy to -  
Communication  
Sub-Com  
**SECRET**





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COPY

37/150/9

To: Political Section, Allied Control Commission.

From: British Resident Minister's Office.

Subject: Proposed purchase of Italcable apparatus in Spain by Messrs.  
Cable and Wireless Ltd.

The Spanish Government have asked Messrs. Cable & Wireless Ltd. to supply them with 30 miles of deep sea cable. The Spanish Government have been informed that permission will be given to Cable & Wireless to export 15 miles of cable on the conditions proposed by the Company, namely that they should in return be given permission to export Creed and Duplex apparatus belonging to their Vigo and Bilbao stations which is now useless because of an interruption of cables.

2. The Spanish Government have been informed that the question of the remaining 15 miles of cable is under consideration. The position is that the Company would agree to supply these 15 miles in return for export permits covering the apparatus belonging to the Malaga station of Italcable which Messrs. Cable & Wireless are anxious to purchase from Italcable. Messrs. Cable & Wireless representative in Madrid has discussed this proposed purchase with the Italcable representative there, who says however that he requires instructions from the Italian Ambassador.

3. The Italian "artificial line boxes" are the only ones available for working the Rome-Malaga cables as soon as they are restored, and the matter is, therefore, of direct interest to all the United Nations. We should be grateful if you would take the matter up with the Italian Government and do anything you can to secure their agreement for the sale and the issue of the necessary instructions to the Italian Ambassador in Madrid.

/s/ A. Rumbold

16th March, 1944.

Copies to: M.G.S.  
Mr. Reinhardt

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Office of the British Resident Minister  
at Allied Force Headquarters  
5, rue Professeur Cartillet,  
Algiers.

57/150/9

To: Deputy Chief Commissioner,  
Allied Control Commission.

From: Resident Minister's Office.

Subject: Proposed purchase of Italcable apparatus in  
Spain by Messrs. Cables & Wireless Ltd.

Reference : Your note of March 24th.

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12th May, 1944

Copy to: M.G.S. Civil Affairs.) with memo under reference.

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Appendix A

## Ministry of Communications

No. S/B.5/1536

Salerno, 29 May, 1944

Subject: Italian Cable Apparatus at Malaga.

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After the terms of a lease have been agreed upon and approved by this Ministry, appropriate instructions can then be sent to the Royal Italian Ambassador at Madrid.

/s/ FRANCESCO CERABONA  
THE MINISTER

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SECRET

BSS/hjp 18

DCC 311.2

3 June 1944

SUBJECT: Italcable Apparatus in Spain

TO : The British Resident Minister, Algiers

DSH 320  
3 JUN 1944

1. Reference your letter 37/150/9 dated 12 May 1944. The Italian Government has been approached on the subject, and their reply is attached. Arrangements for a meeting between Cables & Wireless and Italcables are being made.
2. The whole policy on the operation of submarine cables in the Mediterranean theater of operations is controlled by AFHQ, and is laid down in AFHQ Signal Instruction No. 104 dated 10 February 1944.
3. It is not clear from the correspondence whether the Chief Signal Officer, AFHQ, is aware of the prospective lease of equipment, or whether such lease is in full accord with the plans of the Combined Signal Board.
4. Copies of all the relative correspondence are therefore being sent to the CSO, AFHQ, and it is requested that further action on the matter should be referred to his office.

KERRY W. STONE  
Captain, USNR  
Deputy Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:

Ltr, Ministry of Communications,  
No. S/8.5/1536, 29 May 1944

cc: Communications Sub-Commission ✓

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Salerno, 29 May 1944

## MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

GABINETTO

N. 518.5/1536

Risposta al N. ....

OGGETTO: Italian cable apparatus at Malaga.

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,  
Post and Telecommunications,  
Sub-Commission,  
S.A.I.E.R.N.O.

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*Francesco Cordero*  
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THE MINISTER



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TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,  
Post and Telecommunications,  
Sub-Commission,  
MILAN



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1. The question of either returning the internal Statute, circuit or of using Statute staff on other work is being raised with the Italian Government.
2. The question of the policy of operating the Statute submarine circuit is being raised with ARMA.
3. Nothing more about a pass for Rome yet - too early, the circuit.

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## ITALCABLE

SERVIZIO CABLEOGRAFICO, RADIOELEGRAFICO E RADIOELETTICO

SOCIETA PER AZIONI - CAPITALE L. 100.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

245/LL

Naples, 1st June 1944

## References:

TS/4/12/53=14 March 1944

WJE/bc 2735

To the REAR Headquarters,  
Allied Control Commission, APO 394,  
Naples.

Gentlemen:

Telegraph lines to Sicily = Cables = Pass for Rome

1.- With reference to the above described subject, the writer, appointed by the Italian Government, after your approval, Commissioner for the Italcable for free Italian territory and foreign countries, has the honor to inform you that he is under the impression that the Italian Minister of Communications will not give the necessary circuits or lines to Sicily, if same will not be authorized by you though public telegraphic service was already permitted by yourselves.

It is a matter of fact that presently the Italian Minister cannot spare any circuit for Italcable service, but of course, in a week or two, it is supposed that some circuits will be available, and consequently your kind attention into this matter, also in consideration of the heavy losses of about one million Italian lire every 5 months to keep up our organization, will justify the request of starting telegraphic service in Italy, and best thanks are anticipated for same.

2.- In reference to the telegraphic services to the States, the writer has the honor to inform you that an agreement exists between the Western Union Telegraph-Cable System, the Commercial Cable Co., and the Italcable, and of course when time will come to start service again with our cables, it will be necessary to restore them as they were cut near Gibraltar, but it is a very problematic thing to find out the special vessel for the purpose, as God knows where the Italian vessel "Citta' di Milano" for repairing cables is!

On the matter the undersigned has written to the Western Union in order to call the attention of Mr. Newcomb Carlton, President of said organization in New York, to bring this fact to the Washington attention, and in the same time the writer thinks necessary to submit this case also to you for help and advice.

3.- It has been reported that few weeks ago Rome broadcasting advised that the Board of Directors of the Italcable in Rome was put away and that a certain Amedeo Riccione, was appointed as republican fascist commissioner for the Italcable.

Considering the importance of the Head Office of the Italcable in Rome (about 700 employees) with powerful wireless station in touch with all parts of the world, and cable stations in Rome for international cable traffic, it would be of the greater importance that the writer, as Commissioner of the Italcable for free territory, should reach Rome as soon as it will be occupied, in order to look after the great interest of this international organization, and a special pass would be appreciated to go to Rome without difficulty.

If there are special instructions for Rome please let us have them together with the requested pass. = With best respects, the writer remains,

Gentlemen,

Very respectfully.

IL COMMISSARIO DELLA ITALCABLE

per il territorio dell'Italia liberata e per l'Estero

(Augusto Piccoli)



REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

WJB/bo 2735

14 MAR 1944

14th March 1944

In reply refer  
to: TS/4/I2/53

Subject: Telegraph lines to Sicily.

To : Signor Augusto Piccoli, Italcables, Via del Chiostro, Naples.

I. With reference to your letter 84/U of 2nd march asking for the prevision of a telegraph circuit to Sicily for public traffic.

It is regretted that no facilities can be spared. At present all available channels are completely occupied by military and official traffic, and this condition is likely to last for some little while.

2. Your application will be borne in mind and the matter reconsidered at the earliest opportunity.

J. L. Henderson  
Colonel,  
Director Telecommunications and  
Post Sub-Commission

Copy to: Region III

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Note

I stopped this letter as it infringes  
the rule against commercial correspondence,  
informed Cap Rivers that he would  
be told what arrangements were made  
for operation of JMWAVE circuit, &  
that arrangements made by him would  
with Western Union could not be  
obtained.

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## ITALCABLE

SERVIZIO CABLEOGRAFICO RADIOTELEGRAFICO E RADIOTELEFONICO

SOCIETA PER AZIONI - CAPITALE L. 175.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

REF 225/U

Naples, 25th May 1944.

To the  
 WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH-CABLE SYSTEM  
 WESTERN UNION HOUSE  
 22 Great Winchester Street  
LONDON E. C.

Dear Sirs,

Commissioner for the Italcable

after about twenty years time I again renew commercial contacts with you. Once, for many years, I was at the head of your commercial European organization in Naples, with full power of attorney of the late J. P. Spanier, your representative for Southern Europe (see your file AZ/4086 and AZ/4087 dated 9th February 1917 - Mr. T. W. Goulding) and now for account of the Italcable.

I am pleased to inform you that under date 11th April last, His Excellency the Prime Minister Badoglio appointed me Commissioner for the Italcable for the free Italian Territory and Foreign Countries, and I am acting, under the control of the Italian Minister of the Communications as President and Board of Directors of the Italcable, and consequently I am at your disposal for anything may urgently occur in connection with our business.

Actually the cables of our Company are cut, but no doubt, when service will start, it would be necessary to have them in order and it is a very problematic thing to find out, in Italy, the special vessel for the purpose.

I presume it would be advisable to interest Mr. Newcomb Carlton, President of the Western Union, in New York, to press Washington to induce Allied Government to take into consideration this matter, and have the work done at the earliest possible moment in order to avoid that opponents could start service before us.

Hoping you will give your kind attention to the above, and awaiting to hear from you on the matter, as soon as possible, I remain

Very truly yours

IL COMMISSARIO DELLA ITALCABLE  
 per il territorio dell'Italia liberata e per l'Estero  
 (Augusto Piccoli)



P.S. - Copy of this letter has been also sent to the Western Union New York, but of course it will arrive with great delay.



Subject:

ITALCABLES.

To:

Deputy Chief Commissioner.

1. The situation regarding the future of Italcables is worrying me, and an effort should, I think, be made to lay down a clear policy for the future.

2. Italcables possess an expert staff of operating personnel and a skilled organisation, at present costing many hundreds of thousands of lire a month to keep in idleness. Included in this staff are some of the best operating personnel in the country.

3. There are two aspects of the problem: (a) external cable communications, and (b) internal telegraph communications.

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6. I therefore suggest that a conference should be called, to include:

Italcables director  
Ministry of Communications  
ACC Communications Sub-Commission  
CSO, AFHQ (to represent CCS policy) 422  
SC, PBS (to represent cable operating control)  
CSO, AAI (interested party)

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8. Perhaps you would consider being Chairman in view of your special knowledge of the subject.

1.6.44.

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



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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
AFC 394

27th May, 1944

In reply  
refer to: TS/4/8/10

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Subject: Pages, Italcable Staff.

To: Allied Control Commission Signals, Main HQ.  
Att: Major G. W. Knauer.

Reference your letter of 3rd May, 1944, please note the arrangements that have been made by the Finance Sub-Commission and inform Cav. Piccoli of Italcable of the requirement in para 3 of the attached copy of letter.

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

Incl: Copy of FSCN/113 dated 26th May.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION  
APO 394

FSCR/113.

26 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Request of Italcable, 2 May 1944  
for cash advances.

TO : Communications Sub-Commission.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 8 May 1944 (TS/4/8/5) forwarding a request from Italcable.

2. The Ministry of Finance has instructed its Palermo office to make the funds available in Palermo, Catania, Messina and Siracusa on request by Italcable.

3. Italcable should advise Signor Bruschi, Inspettore della R. Tesoreria 8 Via Bari Palermo of the dates and amounts of funds needed.

*J. J. Lawler*

J. J. LAWLER,  
Lt-Comdr. USCGR,  
Finance Sub-Commission.  
Rear. HQ. ACC.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

In reply refer  
to: TS/4/8/8.

21st May 1944.

Subject: Italian Apparatus at Malaga.

To: The Under Secretary of State for Telecommunications  
and Posts.

1. The Allied authorities intend to divert the Rome-Malaga cable from Malaga to Gibraltar.

2. The terminal apparatus belonging to Italcable now at Malaga will be necessary to the functioning of the cable, the operation of which is essential to the Allied War effort.

3. We have been asked by the British Resident Minister at Algiers to request the Italian Government to do whatever may be possible to enable the transfer of the apparatus to take place.

4. Would you be good enough to say what arrangements the Italian Government would be prepared to make to permit the transference of this apparatus to Gibraltar, and to forward to this Commission a proposed cablegram on the matter to the Italian Embassy at Madrid for our concurrence.

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



Office of the British Resident Minister  
at Allied Force Headquarters,  
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,  
Algiers.

37/150/2

To: Deputy Chief Commissioner,  
Allied Control Commission.

From: Resident Minister's Office.

Subject: Proposed purchase of Ital cable apparatus  
in Spain by Messrs. Cables & Wireless Ltd.

Reference: Your note of March 24th.

We have made enquiries about the Rome-Malaga cable and have now been informed that the intention is not to restore it in its original state but to divert it from Malaga to Gibraltar. The terminal equipment now at Malaga is apparently essential for the working of the cable when diverted. As it will be the only direct cable outlet from the Italian mainland to the Atlantic, we have been asked again to express the hope that you will be able to take the matter up with the Italian Government and do whatever may be possible to persuade them to issue the necessary instructions to the Italian Embassy in Madrid to enable the sale of the apparatus in question to Messrs. Cables and Wireless to take place.

12th May, 1944.

Copy to:

M.G.S.  
Civil Affairs. } with memo under reference.



Col. Henderson

Will you  
pls take up  
with Fano, or

advise me the  
results - so I  
can reply?

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Col. Henderson

Pls c me

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Capt. Stone.

Dr. Fano is not in favour of permitting the sale of Italcable property. In any case of course Italcable is a private company and without taking special powers he cannot directly authorise the sale.

He recognizes that the transfer of the terminal equipment is a valuable war measure and he will do all in his power to enable this to be effected on a rent basis.

Pending a further statement of our wishes he will take no action in the matter.

J. L. Henderson

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J. L. HENDERSON

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Colonel

Director, Communications Sub-Commission



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REAR HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

8th May, 1944

In reply  
refer to: CS/P/8/5/

see 9.

Subject : Request of Italcable, 2 May, 1944 for Cash  
Advances.

To : Finance Sub-Commission.

The inclosed request from Italcable for advances  
to cover salary and wages is referred to you as being purely  
a finance matter.

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

Incl: One letter.

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3rd May 1944

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To a/c. Hq. Rear

Communications Sub-Comm.  
attention Maj. Scudder-

1. Attached letter handed me by writer - Picolli - of Italcables
2. I phoned Finance Sub-Comm. office here - and a Lt in Administ. Section believes that it is a matter for Italian Govt complete jurisdiction, as it involves liberated area.
3. Sig Picolli - is anxious to get prompt approval - and funds - so as to be able to avoid payment delays.
4. If anything is desired to be done further here, I shall be pleased to assist in any way.

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| DIRECTOR.     |  |
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| H. S. Scudder |  |

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 Maj. Spec Res  
 Pm 16-Provincia



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# ITALCABLE

SERVIZI CABLOGRAFICI RADIOTELEGRAFICI E RADIOELETTRICI

SOCIETA' PER AZIONI - CAPITALE L. 175.000.000

SEDE IN ROMA

No. 24/U

Naples, 2nd March 1944  
Via del Chiostro No. 9

To the Allied Military Government,  
Committee of Communications,

Naples.

Attention to Col. Mansley

Gentlemen:-

telegraphic lines to Sicily

According to the great help received by your Committee, both the Italian Telegraphs in Naples and the Italcable Co., will be ready to start service with Sicily if you will kindly allow us some lines.

As observed also by Capt. Bridgman, on the 1st February last, at Salerno, there were plenty of lines in good order, working for South Italy, for account of the Allied Military Forces, and of course, some Armored or Super-combined given to us would not have disturbed the communications of A.M.G., and I respectfully asked your cooperation in order to get some channels for our telegraphic service.

Yesterday, having been called by His Excellency Fano, at the Italian Minister of Communications, in Salerno, I explained how matters stand in Naples, and I was informed that presently they are not able to get connections with Sicily, but there were submarine cables at disposal of the A.M.G., working for Sicily.

I am not officially entitled to make a request for this, for account of the Italian Government but, having been appointed yesterday General Superintendent of the Italcable for all the South Italian territory, in the interest also of the WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH-CABLE SYSTEM AND COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, as the quicker we start, the quicker we shall go on to restore communications with the United States of America, and I am obliged to call your attention on this matter.

It is my duty to point out to your Goodselfs that also AMERICAN INTERESTS ARE INVOLVED, and I beg to respectfully ask your help and cooperation, in order to start service in Italy with the purpose to arrange, as soon as possible, also the connections with the States.

Probably lines have not yet been allowed owing to military

ITALCABLE TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE



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Yesterday, having been called by his Excellency Fano, at the Italian Minister of Communications, in Salerno, I explained how matters stand in Naples, and I was informed that presently they are not able to get connections with Sicily, but there were submarine cables at disposal of the A.M.G., working for Sicily.

I am not officially entitled to make a request for this, for account of the Italian Government but, having been appointed yesterday General Superintendent of the Italcable for all the South Italian territory, in the interest also of the WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH-CABLE SYSTEM AND CABLE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, as the quicker we start, the quicker we shall go on to restore communications with the United States of America, and I am obliged to call your attention on this matter.

It is my duty to point out to your Excellencies that also AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE IS SUPPLYING, and I beg to respectfully ask your help and cooperation, in order to start service in Italy with the purpose to arrange, as soon as possible, also the connections with the States.

Probably lines have not yet been allowed owing to Military purposes but, if Censorship will be arranged in the Italcable office as previously done, I suppose there will be no other objection.

Thanking you in advance,

I remain,

Gentlemen,

Very truly yours

Seen: - Col. H. H. Harellay  
Col. H. H. Harellay  
Augusto Piccoli.

Recd. 5th March 44.



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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
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## Telecommunications &amp; Postal Sub-Commissions

REFERENCE: AG 311.22

22 January, 1946

SUBJECT: Italcables

TO: Communications Section.  
Attention: Capt. Henry W. Stone, U.S.A.A.

1. With reference to your 8 Jan. request for additional data concerning Italcables.
2. Some further information has been secured from a (Italian) "brochure", provided by the local Italcable manager. No maps are available at this office which is a branch of the main office at Rome.
3. From an illustration appearing in the "brochure" a rough map has been made and is attached. This will show somewhat more clearly the cable routes.
4. The "brochure" describes the routes as "all water" but mentions an overland line from Malaga to Madrid. This reference and knowledge of one cable cutting in at Barcelona is the only information available regarding connecting land lines to Spain.
5. The Italcable en route to U.S.A. terminated in the Azores- where traffic was handled in equal parts to Western Union and Commercial Co.
6. If further data can be secured, we will forward it to you.

W.D. Bentley  
Lt. Colonel

Copies to:

Capt. E.W. Stone  
Col. J.L. Henderson



ITALCABLE CONTAGIA ITALIANA DEI TELEGRAPHI SUTOMARENT

ELENCO DEL PERSONALE DELLA ITALCABLE - Ufficio di Napoli

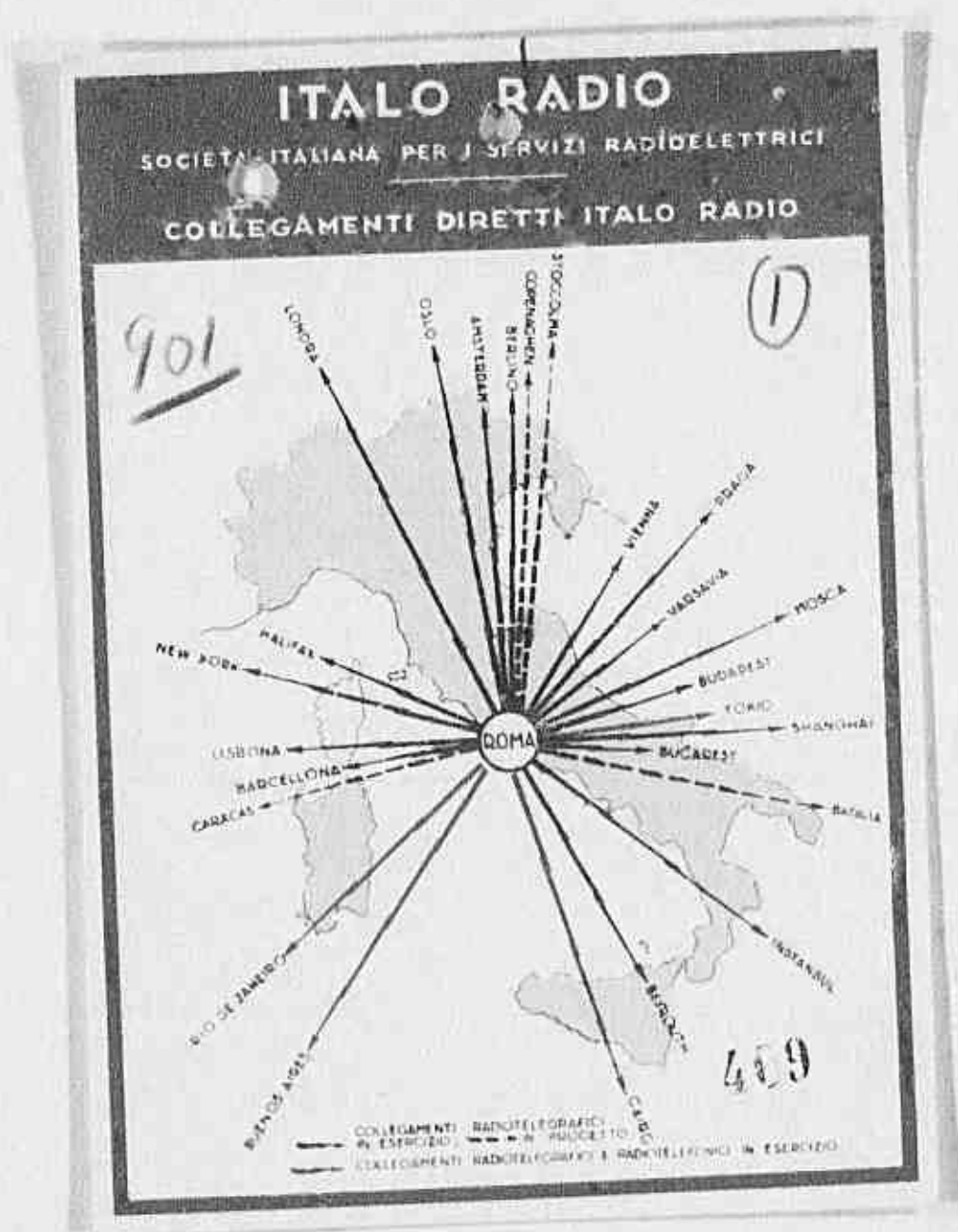
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| Aloj Alfredo.              | Dirigente telegrafico                                   |
| Buccino Ferdinando         | Primo telegrafista                                      |
| Mastrolilli Eduardo        | Primo telegrafista                                      |
| Di Giacomo Pasquale        | Primo telegrafista                                      |
| Ortolani Carlo             | Primo telegrafista                                      |
| Grosso Giuseppe            | Telegrafista                                            |
| Viglia Luigi               | Telegrafista                                            |
| Di Maio Gennaro            | Primo Applicato di traffico                             |
| Verna Oreste               | Idem con abilitazione alla manipolazione degli apparati |
| De Caro Giovanni           | Idem.                                                   |
| Ravel Alessandro           | Primo Applicato di traffico                             |
| Bonfiglio Francesco        | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Cappuccio Eduardo          | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Cordone Antonio            | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Croce Giuseppe             | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Del Prete Luigi            | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Morra Rosario              | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Mannolo Mario              | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Rinaldi Mario              | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Schiattarella Gennaro      | Applicato di traffico                                   |
| Selciato Antonio           | Telefonista                                             |
| Ambrosino Salvatore        | Telefonista                                             |
| Di Costanzo Costantino     | Telefonista                                             |
| Marinelli Vincenzo         | Comesso                                                 |
| Apollo Pasquale            | Fattorino interno                                       |
| Cirillo Ferdinando         | Fattorino interno                                       |
| Gallo Giovanni             | Fattorino interno                                       |
| Armenio Domenico           | Messaggero                                              |
| Barrella Giuseppe          | Messaggero                                              |
| Campana Gaetano            | Messaggero                                              |
| Guidotti Luigi             | Messaggero                                              |
| Mazzacane Domenico         | Messaggero                                              |
| Narici Alfredo             | Messaggero                                              |
| Oreto Enrico               | Messaggero                                              |
| Perna Raffaele             | Messaggero                                              |
| Persichini Umberto         | Messaggero                                              |



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| Spetrini Vittorio      | Messaggero        | Messaggero                  |
| Stornainolo Vincenzo   | Messaggero        | Messaggero                  |
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## Telecommunications &amp; Postal Sub-Commissions

REFERENCE: AG 311.22

22 January, 1944

SUBJECT: Italcables

*Information on:*

TO: Communications Section.  
Attention: Capt. Ellery W. Stone, U.S.A.R.

1. With reference to your 3 Jan. request for additional data concerning Italcables.

2. Some further information has been secured from a (Italian) "Brochure", provided by the local Italcable manager. No maps are available at this office which is a branch of the main office at Rome.

3. From an indistinct drawing in the "Brochure" a rough map was made and is attached. This will show somewhat more clearly the cable routes.

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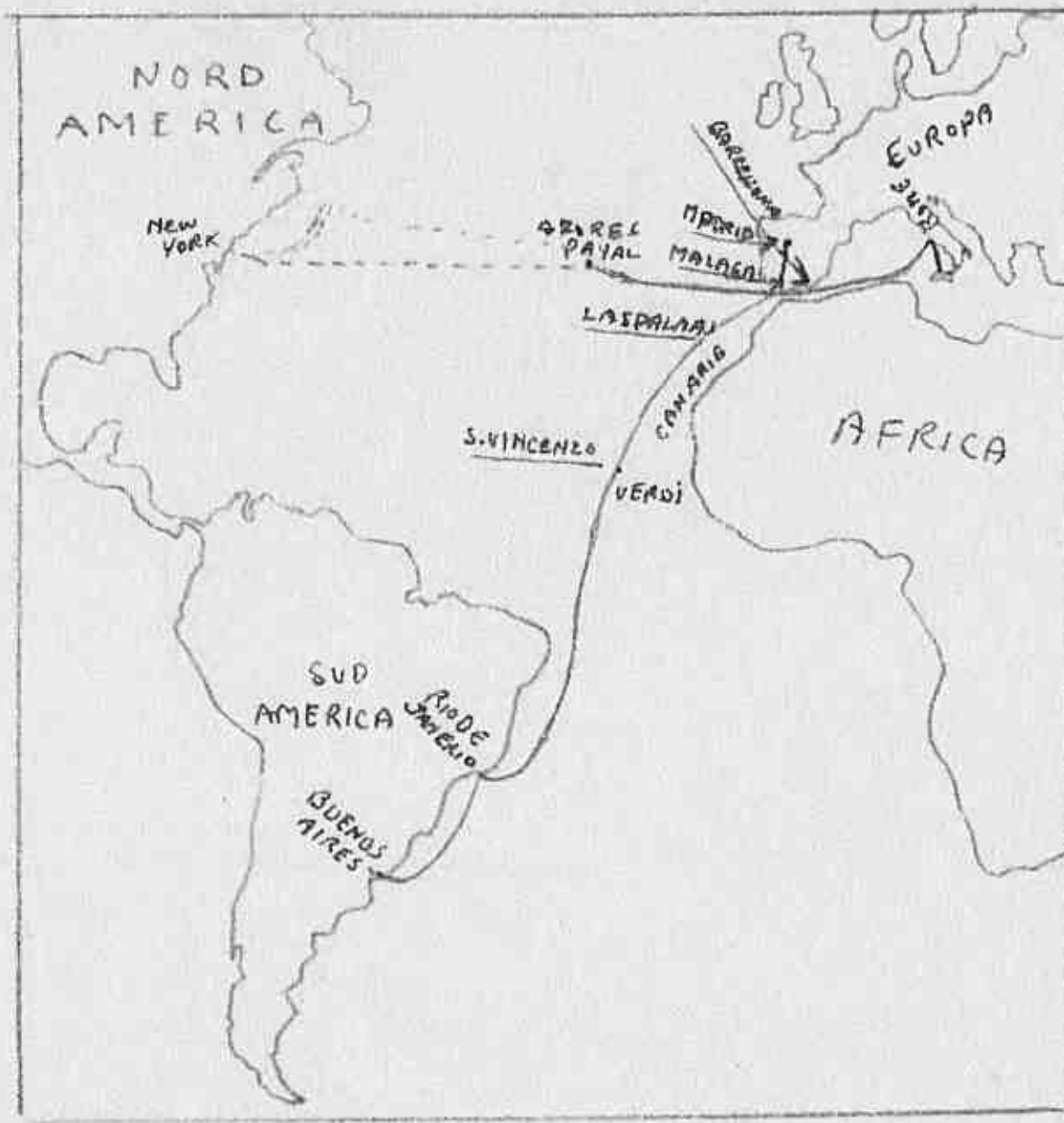
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W.J. Bentley  
Lt. Colonel

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Capt. E.W. Stone  
Col. J.L. Henderson



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8 January 1944

In reply  
refer to: AG 311.22

Subject: Italcables

To: Lt. Col. W. J. Bentley

1. Thank you for your memorandum of 29 December 1943 to Colonel Henderson in reference to Italcables.

2. It would be much appreciated if a map could be obtained showing actual routes with connecting land lines in Spain and giving a more complete picture of the routing from Italy via the Azores to the U.S. I am sure Italcable printed maps for commercial purposes that show the actual points touched by their cables.

ELLERY W. STONE  
Captain, U.S.N.S.  
Communications Section

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
APO 512  
Telecommunications Sub-Commission

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29 December, 1943

SUBJECT: Italcables and Itaradio.

TO: Col. J.L. Henderson.

1. Memorandum on the above herewith. Paragraph 3 probably answers your question but the rest may be of general interest.

2. The office at Naples might be put to use as it is underground and reasonably well arranged.

*W.J. Bentlett*  
W.J. Bentlett (B)  
Lt. Colonel  
Acting Director Telecommunications  
Sub-Commission

Enclosed:

One Memo.

To: - Capt E.W. Stone (U.S.N.R.)  
Allied Control Commission  
Brindisi.

Forwarded

*J. L. Henderson*

3 Jan 44.

J.L. HENDERSON, *645*  
Colonel.

*Recd 5 Jan.*

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
AFG 512  
Telecommunications Sub-Commission

23 December, 1945

Memo: Italcable and Itairadio

1. This company has a commercial representative in Naples, Sig. Piccoli, with an operating office at 7 Via del Chiostro. Sig. Piccoli is also the agent for Western Union.

2. The office at 7 Via del Chiostro is undamaged and is equipped with two teleprinters, plus one spare, for working to Rome, two Baudot transmitters, Morse instruments and four Phonograms positions. All staff are being retained and paid but technicians for maintenance are borrowed from State Telegraphs.

3. Italcables own no cables or lines in the South of Italy having depended entirely on lines rented from the State and B. P. From Rome (cable hut at Anzio) they had three cables.

- a. To Malaga Spain.
- b. To Malaga but out in at Barcellona, and
- c. To Palermo.

In addition they owned radio transmitters situated near Rome. Enclosed is a rough sketch of their owned and rented cable network, together with a postcard showing the places to which radio links were available.

4. In addition to accepting and delivering cables, telegrams to and from overseas, Italcable gave a "lightning telegraph service" between the larger towns in the country. A list of all rates both external and internal are given in the pamphlet "Tariffe Telegrafiche" on the back of which is a list of towns in which Italcables had offices. State Telegraphs acted as agents in all other towns.

5. Sig. Piccoli is producing a list of all his staff showing their qualifications.

