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Memo.

SUBJECT: Personnel Trieste Post Office.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

Reference query on attached message 25/VG/581 of
14 Oct.

The present Director of Posts and Telecommunications
at Trieste, whilst good at control and arrangement of work
in the Venezia Giulia area is not strong in dealing with
staff matters.

During recent visit of Venezia Giulia Communications
Officer, a scheme was discussed whereby an additional member
of the Ministerial staff could act as 'Commissario Straordi-
nario' at the Trieste office. A suitable man was interviewed
who would be willing to transfer to Trieste on receipt of
necessary authority from AMG Venezia Giulia.

Nothing further has been heard of proposal until
receipt of this cable and no details are known of other
services schemes.

of Shaddock
L.R. HUMBERT
Lt. Col. Sig. O.
Director.

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JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT,
XIII CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY.

2 JUL 1946

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE - AGENDA

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 - a - Industry & Commerce and Fuel & Power Sub-Committee meeting of 31 MAY 46. (Appx. A)
 - b - Finance Sub-Committee meeting of 1 JUL 46 (Appx. B)
- 3) Any other business.
- 4) To set a date for the next meeting.

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APPENDIX 4JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT,
13 CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY

31 MAY 1946.

MINUTESINDUSTRY & COMMERCE SUB-COMMITTEE and the
FUEL & POWER SUB-COMMITTEE

173. The thirteenth meeting of the Industry & Commerce and the Fuel & Power Sub-Committee was held at 10.00 hours, 31 MAY 1946, in the Economic Section, HQ JIG 13 Corps, TRIESTE.

PRESENT:Chairman

Major K. COOPER,
Economics, JIG 13 Corps.

Members

Lt.Col. J.E. FODEN,
Ind & Utilities,
JIG 13 Corps.

Ing. KOV.ČIČ, i.
Maj. BUBIŠ, S.
Mr. URSIČIČ, P.

In Attendance

Lt.Col. C.M.V. STELLIS,
Commerce, JIG 13 Corps.

Capt. H.J. LISTER,
Economics, JIG 13 Corps.

174. CONTROL OF GOODS CROSSING THE MORGAN LINE.

The Jugoslavs acknowledged receipt of a letter on this subject from the Economic Section, JIG 13 Corps, dated 18 APRIL 1946, and they asked whether any action had been taken about this matter.

The Chairman replied that he had asked higher authority for personnel for 15 additional control posts. So far, no reply had been received, but he had reason to believe that part of these additional guards would be supplied.

The Jugoslavs requested that the matter be expedited and Major COOPER replied that all possible speed is being made.

175. BUSES OWNED BY GASTONI.

The Chairman said that he had found out that the owner is unwilling to return to Zone B and he suggested that if a breach of contract is involved, the Jugoslavs should take legal action in Zone A courts.

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JAG 13 Corps.

Ing. KOVACKO, ...
Maj. BELLIS, S.
Mr. URSIC, ...

In Attendance

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176. MACHINERY EXPORTED FROM THE COTTON MILL AT PODGOR.

The Jugoslavs requested a list of the machines removed from the cotton mill at PODGOR., and also particulars of the new machines which had been brought in.

Major COOPER said he would hand these lists in at the main meeting.

177. FORESTRY OFFICES.

A written statement was handed to the Yugoslav delegates for delivery to the Forestry and Agriculture Section at BUDAPES.

178. RELEASE OF M/V "ZVIR" AND "L.BOR".

The Jugoslavs asked what further action had been taken in the matter.

Major COOPER/

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Major COOPER replied that he had telephoned to higher headquarters for information respecting the 3712 and that he had discovered the location of the LBCR. A complete answer would be furnished at the main meeting. He added that the Secretary had been to VENICE to find out the exact situation with regard to the LBCR.

179. GOODS IN TRANSIT FROM ITALY.

Lt. Col. STEPHENS said that he had asked CENTROPROM for consolidated lists of those goods which it was desirable to facilitate crossing the Morgan Line, but he had not yet received them. He added that individual cases should be put up to AMG through CENTROPROM. In this way, they will go through much quicker.

The Jugoslavs said they would get in touch with CENTROPROM on the matter.

180. IMPORT OF GOODS INTO ZONE A FROM ZONE B.

Lt. Col. STEPHENS said that the Amendment to General Order No. 45 had been made to fall in line with Jugoslav wishes.

Major COOPER handed a copy of the English version of the amendments to the Jugoslavs.

181. AMS. CALL.

Lt. Col. STEPHENS said that AMG had suggested to UIVOD that they should import coal into Zone A and he hoped to make a further statement at the next meeting.

The Jugoslavs said that as far as they know UIVOD is exporting some coal but there has been no definite agreement with the Allies.

The Chairman suggested that a conference should be held between representatives of Jugoslav Military Government, UIVOD and Allied Military Government to work out how much coal could be exported, and Lt. Col. STEPHENS agreed.

The Jugoslavs replied that they would give an answer at the main meeting.

182. POSTAL FACILITIES FOR JUGOSLAVS IN ZONE A.

The Chairman acknowledged an application from the Jugoslavs for a permit for Mr. LEMASSI to come to Zone A to represent the Jugoslav Post Office. He said he would consult the AMG Telecomm. Officer and give a reply at the main meeting.

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The Jugoslavs replied they had asked their competent authorities but had received no reply so far.

184. ASSAULTS ON JUGOSLAV FUNCTIONARIES.

The Jugoslavs enquired whether their letter on this subject had been received and the Secretary replied that it had been, and a written acknowledgement had been passed to them today.

185. CONSENSUS PER L. BONIFIC. DELL'ISTR.

The Jugoslavs considered that if an JMG officer should accompany the President to BERZL, it might appear that he did so in the capacity of an escort. There was no objection to the Manager of the Company visiting BERZL himself.

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167. MOTOR CAR IMPOUNDED BY VENEZL, GIULLI, POLICE FORCE

the institution for special purchases and for other special requirements. UNRR. intervened in the matter, but the car is still being held, and it is now in the Milano Garage. The Yugoslavs asked what steps they should take to avoid having their cars impounded.

188. REF. IRS TO "CONDUCT AT VIP. COO."

Lt. Col. FODEN explained that the aqueduct at VIPACVO starts in Zone B and supplies various villages such as Scarpa, Pifenborgo etc, in Zone A. All these villages are short of water and we were now asking the Jugoslavs to give us a reply on this question. In this particular case we are interested in the Jugoslavs carrying out repairs to this aqueduct on their side of the line.

189. FISHING RIGHTS IN POL. W. WATERS

The Jugoslavs enquired which waters were affected and the chairman replied, the Briani Islands in particular.

The Jagoslovs requested that copies of any complaints the chairman replied, the British Islands are for the... from POL, should be forwarded to them, and they would take steps to permit Zone A fishermen to fish in Zone B waters.

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The Chairman said he would like a copy of the letter, and the matter would be investigated before the main meeting.

188. REPAIRS TO AQUEDUCT AT VIPACOO.

The Chairman enquired what progress had been made with these repairs and the Jugoslavs replied that aqueducts in general are being repaired. The Peoples' Authority and the people in Zone B are doing all they can to repair not only aqueducts, but houses, schools, etc.

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The Chairman requested the Jugoslavs to furnish an answer at the main meeting.

189. FISHING RIGHTS IN POLA WATERS

The Chairman read a letter from the Harbourmaster at POLA stating that Zone A fishermen are not permitted to fish in Zone B waters. On the other hand many fishermen resident in Zone B, fish undisturbed in the waters of POLA and the local fishermen consider this unjust.

The Jugoslavs enquired which waters were affected and the Chairman replied, the Brioni Islands in particular.

The Jugoslavs requested that copies of any complaints from POLA should be forwarded to them, and they would take steps to permit Zone A fishermen to fish in Zone B waters.

190. RETURN OF M/V ASTRA

The Chairman said that a list of vessels which had been considered should be returned was handed to the Jugoslavs on 17 JULY 46. This list included the name of M/V ASTRA. At a shipping conference on the 5 APRIL the Jugoslavs promised to look into the matter but no reply has yet been received. This week a paper was received saying that this ship was registered in TRIESTE and the owners have been told they can have her back on payment of one million lire. If the ship had been requisitioned by the Jugoslavs no such payment should be necessary.

The Jugoslavs enquired under which paragraph of the minutes this matter had been brought up and Major COOPER replied "para 5" but that there had been no discussion about this particular ship. The Jugoslavs said that this matter was beyond the competence of Jugoslav Military Government and had been referred to the Navy. A reply had been pressed for, but not yet received.

The Chairman said/

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The Chairman said he would bring additional information to the main meeting. He requested that the minutes of the shipping conference held on 5 APRIL 46 should be attached to the minutes of this present meeting (see Appendix i). Any suggested amendments should be brought up before the main meeting took place.

191. RO.I.S. OIL REFINERY.

The Chairman read a letter from the Headquarters, Allied Commission, stating that the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs reported that Yugoslav Armed Forces had removed a number of drilling shafts belonging to the .GIP, from the RO.I.S. depot at PIULI, on the excuse that this equipment belongs to the Italian State and is, therefore, their lawful war booty. The equipment in question is not, however, Italian State property, but the property of .GIP which is a share company. He asked the Yugoslavs to look into the matter.

The Yugoslavs expressed surprise and requested further particulars. It was agreed that both sides would make further enquiries.

192. AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES.

The Yugoslavs proposed amendments to certain minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, particulars of which are attached at Appendix (ii).

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H. ST.G. FRENCH,
Major, D.A.F.,
Secretary,
Joint Economic Committee.

APPENDIX (1) TO 13th MEETING
INDUSTRY & COMMERCE SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 10.30 HRS ON 5 APRIL 46
IN ECONOMIC SECTION ON SHIPPING (JOINT ECONOMIC
COMMITTEE)

PRESENT :

Major BJELIS } Yugoslav representatives.
Mr. MEDANIC }
Mr. DRGUSTIN }

Major K. COOPER,
Economics (Chairman)
Major H. ST. G. FRENCH,
Secretary, Joint Economic Committee.
Lieut. N. J. LISTER, Economics.

IN ATTENDANCE :

Major A. E. GOLD, Legal,
Comdr. E. B. T. NOCK, EM - D/NOIC.

1. The Yugoslav representatives produced a list of ships registered in Zone B in the year 1939 for whose return, in view of shortage of shipping space, they ask urgently :-

1. NOCENIGO - In Civitavecchia, used for communication.
2. RISMONDO - Requisitioned by the Allied Navy in Southern Italy.
3. POLA - Requisitioned by the Allies.
4. LUSSINIO - -do-
5. SAN VITO - -do-
6. JERAZIA - Requisitioned by the Allies, now in Taranto.
7. LAVORNA - Requisitioned by the Allies.
8. STAMIR - Given to Greece by the Allies.
9. ROSSINI - According to information, in the Aegean Sea.

Major COOPER promised to forward the list to the appropriate authorities, if requisitions were not in accordance with Morgan-Jovanovic agreement.

2. The Yugoslavs produced in addition the names of ships registered in Zone B, and now sunk, also requesting their return :-

1. PACIC - Believed sunk off LIVORNO OR SPEZIA.
2. SCRAPANTO - No information as to whereabouts.
3. JADERA - -do-
4. LAUREZO MARCELLO - Believed sunk off Greece.

Major COOPER stated no action was possible at present as ships were sunk but the request would be forwarded to higher authorities for comment.

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3. The Yugoslavs asked for further information on :-

ZVIR
LABOR

which ships, they stated, were being prevented by the Allies from returning to Zone B.

Major COOPER replied that both ZVIR and LABOR had been engaged on taking coal from ARSA to VENICE. The coal had been impounded by Italian Government authorities. The ships, however, were released immediately.

The ZVIR and LABOR were both inspected by a R.A.S.C. Water Transport Coy. in VENICE and the ZVIR was requisitioned, without the knowledge of A.I.G. as a result of action by A.I.G. with the military authorities the ZVIR was released, is now in BARI, and the Captain of the ship is free to sail wherever he wishes.

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The LUBOR is undergoing repair in VENICE, but is free to sail wherever Captain wishes. Therefore it will be seen that neither the ZVIR nor the LUBOR are in any way under the control of the Allies and are free to return to Zone B.

The Yugoslavs asked for the return of the following ships in addition to those already listed above :-

1. ISTOK II - Believed to be based on MONA and operating under Allies between BRINDISI and SICILY.
2. TRILIA - Previously called PELKAN. Was operating as an ship in POLA under Germans in 1941, but was subsequently sunk. Reported to have been salvaged recently by divers STURSE, PIVKILVITZ and TROLLIS. No knowledge of present whereabouts.
3. RITA - Motor sailing boat registered at LUSSEPICCOLO, owner GNERICH DAIENICO. No knowledge of present whereabouts.

An investigation of these facts, and the legal implication, was promised by Major COOPER.

4. Major COOPER then produced a list of the following ships, which it was reported, were being held in Zone B by Yugoslav Authorities:-

1. In P. RENZO : NICOLETTA
DIVINA MADRE
ARBIT. PESCATORE
ROLLINO B
ERNESTO LEONE

Was it a fact that these ships were being held in Zone B as reprisals for the alleged holding of the ZVIR and LUBOR by the Allies.

The Yugoslav Delegation replied that this was a fact, and the ships were being held in Zone B until ZVIR and LUBOR sailed into a Zone B port.

Major COOPER stated that the ZVIR and LUBOR were perfectly free to sail wherever they wished, and that the act of holding five ships by the Yugoslavs by force, was contrary to International Law. He had no alternative but to take the matter up on the highest level. We had fulfilled our part of the bargain by releasing the ZVIR from requisition and it was up to the Yugoslav Military Government to reciprocate. The fact that the Yugoslavs have seized, and are holding by force in Zone B, ships from Italy will have the effect of stopping coastal trade with Zone B. This is hardly in the best interests of Yugoslav Military Government.

5. Major COOPER then referred to a list of ships which had been removed from the Port of Trieste by the Yugoslav forces during their occupation, without any form of receipt or requisition.

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5. Major COOPER then referred to a list of ships which had been removed from the Port of Trieste by the Yugoslav forces during their occupation, without any form of receipt or requisition. The Yugoslav Military Government had been given this list on 17 JAN 46 for the second time (Appendix "I" to the tenth meeting of Joint Economic Committee held on 19 JAN 46) having been handed the list for the first time on 9 AUG 45. What action had been taken by the Yugoslavs in this matter?

The Yugoslav Delegate replied that this was outside the competence of Yugoslav Military Government and the list had been passed to the Yugoslav Navy, whose matter it was. He would press for a reply but he understood that the Yugoslav Navy considered all shipping apart from allied shipping found in Trieste Harbour as War Booty of Yugoslavia, and therefore they were perfectly within their rights to remove the ships. From the same viewpoint they had not given requisition receipts as they considered the vessels no longer owned by the previous Italian owners.

Major COOPER stated that in view of the fact that the Yugoslavs considered this shipping as War Booty, they should take the matter up on a higher level.

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6. " discussion then ensued on the question of para 1 (ships the Jugoslavs wished returned to Zone B).

The Yugoslav Delegates stated that at a meeting in N. PLES on 20 JULY 45, between Ministry of War Transport and the Yugoslav Government, the Allies had agreed to return all shipping to Zone B which had been registered there.

Major COOPER replied that he had no knowledge of such an agreement but would make enquiries to ascertain whether or not such an agreement had been made and he told the Yugoslav delegates to produce such agreement; if, in fact, it did exist.

7. On para 4 (ships seized by the Jugoslavs in PARENZO) the Jugoslavs made a further statement to the effect that force was not used and that the ships were in Zone B of their own free will. In fact the crews were so fond of Zone B they had asked permission to bring their families over there.

Major COOPER stated that this information was contrary to the reports given to JIG and the Royal Navy by the Captains of the vessels.

8. Major COOPER then stated that it had been reported that the following Motor/Sailing vessels had been seized by the Jugoslavs in Zone B (at FIUME). What was the position?

1. NUOVA PREVIERZA
2. COLACINA
3. VOLANO
4. LIBERTI
5. ANTONIO

The Jugoslavs first denied that these vessels were held in Zone B by force and repeated their assertion that the crews had applied for permission to bring their families into Zone B.

They then stated that until the return of the ZVIR and L.BOR to Zone B ports they could not discuss the return of the vessels to Zone A.

9. Major COOPER then raised the question of the Motor-Boat P.M.M. which had been laid up in CAPODISTRIA and was reported as having been seized by the Jugoslavs.

The Jugoslavs promised to investigate.

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11. S.S. HEX

Major COOPER asked whether the Yugoslavs would agree for a representative of the Italia Line, the alleged owners of the REX, to meet them in order to discuss the question of guards, as pilfering was still going on.

The Yugoslav Delegates then stated that the Yugoslav Government was the owner of the S/S HEX, which was War Booty of the Yugoslavs. The Italia Line need not therefore interest itself in the question of guards, as Yugoslavia would protect its own property.

Major COOPER took exception to this point.

12. Major COOPER then asked for information on a motor-ship, the FELICE which was reported as having been last seen in the Cosulich dockyard at SPLIT.

The Yugoslav/

The Yugoslav Delegates stated that SPLIT was Jugoslavia proper and as the vessel had never been in Zone B, the Yugoslav Military Government could not do much about the matter.

They further stated that the FELICE was a German-operated vessel and therefore War Booty and a question for the Peace Conference.

In conclusion, both the representatives of the Yugoslav Military Government and Major COOPER for the Anglo-American side, agreed that apparently from a legal principle the wishes of the legal owner of a ship determines where a ship must sail in the absence of agreements to the contrary or regular requisition by military powers during war.

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(signed)

KENNETH COOPER,
Major, US,
Economic Section.

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AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES

With reference to the minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, the following amendments, as requested by the Yugoslav Delegation, were discussed and decided as follows :-

Min. 263:

For "Industry & Commerce" read "Financo".

Min. 269:

Major COOPER said he had never stated that if the Anglo-American delegation had received Yugoslav approval for the Pola convoy we would return Gracani's buses to Zone B. Lt. Col. POJEN agreed and, after further discussion, it was decided that no amendment would be made to the minute. It was thought that a misunderstanding might have arisen in the interpretation.

Min. 272:

a) For "possibly displaced persons" read "persons possibly absent from FIUME".

b)

Para. 10. For "Mr. URSICIC" read "Major B. RISIC".

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Amend point 6 to read "with the postal train as customary" instead of "with Red Cross wagons".

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The Chairman directed this amendment to be recorded.

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The Chairman received the proposed amendment and directed it to be recorded.

Min. 282: For "Control on the Morgan Line" read "Control on the frontier between Zone A and Italy".

Min. 283: The Yugoslavs requested that para. 2 be amended to read: "Major BIELIS said that the reason was the fact that their interpreter was attacked by the personnel of 'Capo Compartimento' in Trieste and wounded, now in hospital".

The Chairman received the proposed amendment and, after discussion, directed it to be recorded in further clarification of the explanation given in the minute.

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The following amendments proposed by the Yugoslav delegates were not agreed to by the Anglo-American delegates and, after discussion, were referred to the main meeting :-

Min. 272:

a) The Yugoslavs requested the last paragraph of the minute to be amended to read "At the request of Lt. Col. IERLICH it will be recorded in the minutes that the Anglo-American Delegation considers to be unable to take any measures for the ships to return to their ports of registration, and at the Chairman's request it will be recorded that the Anglo-American delegation suggests that the owners should meet to discuss about the future of the ships".

b) The Yugoslavs proposed amending the heading of the minute to read "ILLEGAL RETENTION OF ZVIR AND L.BOR" instead of "RELEASE OF ZVIR AND L.BOR".

Major COOPER said this heading has been retained throughout the minutes and it is not considered that it should be changed now.

Major BYELIS said the Yugoslavs considered that the ZVIR and L.BOR are being illegally retained and they think the present heading is irregular. Since the minute does not deal with the release of these ships, the title is misleading.

The Chairman said we were not discussing the legality or illegality of the matter but we were simply trying to have the ships released and it is not felt appropriate to alter the heading of the minute. It could be recorded that the Yugoslavs felt that the title should read as proposed by them, but he did not intend to make the alteration. It would be referred to the main meeting for a decision, if the Yugoslavs wished to press the matter further.

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APPENDIX B

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY

1 JUN 46

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE - ITALY

68. The eighth meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee was held at 10.00 hours on the 1 JUNE 1946, in the Finance Division, HQ 13 Corps, TRIESTE.

PRESENT:Chairman

Lt. Col. N. T. HEARD,
CFO, 13 Corps.

Members

Eng. KOVACIC, M.)
Mr. URSICIC, K.) } Yugoslavia
Maj. BJELIS, S.)

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Lt. Col. HEARD said the Yugoslavs had raised the question some time ago regarding benefits for people living in Zone B and working in Zone A. It was agreed that if these people made contributions to societies in Zone A they would receive benefits.

The Yugoslavs replied that that was all they had asked for, but the societies were reluctant to meet their obligations.

Lt. Col. HEARD replied that he would remind the societies, and he would take the matter up with the Society in Italy.

70. PAYMENT OF CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC CURRENT.

The Chairman said he had been informed that the railway authorities were finding difficulty with the Yugoslavs in fixing their liability for electric current on the railways. He would like this matter cleared up as soon as possible.

The Yugoslavs said that they had agreed with SELVEG that one part of these charges should be settled by deliveries of coal.

Lt. Col. HEARD pointed out that this was not the SELVEG case, but concerned the railway. He enquired whether this settlement included SELVEG.

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Major BJELIS said the Yugoslavs had requested some time ago that meters should be placed in ORICIL to measure consumption in Zone A and Zone B, because without those instruments it was difficult to estimate the amount of electricity being used.

The Chairman said that the Yugoslavs had mentioned that SELVEG were being paid in coal but this was not a satisfactory arrangement as payments are much too slow and it would take fifty years to clear the debt.

The Yugoslavs stated they could not agree that it would take so long to pay, since only one part of the supply will be paid off in coal.

Lt. Col. BEARD enquired what was meant by this statement and the Yugoslavs replied that they had already agreed to pay that part of the debt which had accrued up to three months ago; in coal. Coal was already being exported and payment of the other portion of the debt is being discussed with SELVEG.

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The Chairman said this meant that payment was being split up into two parts. His information was that the amount of coal which is being delivered to SELVEG was hopelessly inadequate in quantity to pay the bill. The representative of UNVOB had been to see him a week ago and had agreed to contact the Yugoslav Military Government on the matter. He had not since seen this representative.

The Jugoslavs enquired why the coal was inadequate for settling the debt and Lt. Col. BEARD replied that the value was so small it would take fifty years to pay off. Was he to understand that there was enough coal to pay SELVEG's bill from 1 JUN 1945 up to three months ago, and that it was only necessary for SELVEG to arrange transport and collection of the coal.

The Jugoslavs replied that this was the case.

Lt. Col. BEARD asked how many tons would be required to clear the debt and the Jugoslavs replied they had agreed the quantity and the price with SELVEG.

The Chairman then asked what steps would be taken to settle charges incurred beginning from three months ago.

The Jugoslavs replied that the Manager of SELVEG would visit them and settle the matter directly.

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The Jugoslavs replied that if these were Yugoslav Government debts they were not competent to deal with the matter, but they would forward the letter to the Yugoslav Government.

Lt. Col. BEARD requested the Jugoslavs to hasten the matter because these persons have been awaiting payment for months.

The Jugoslavs again stated they would forward the letter to the Yugoslav Government and let Colonel BEARD have an answer.

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The Chairman read a letter stating that he had already brought to the notice of the Jugoslavs certain properties in Zone B⁶ belonging to British Nationals, which properties were being disposed of by the Jugoslavs without reference to the owners, some of whom are situated in this area. The letter went on to read that in addition to this certain owners were desiring to make use of the credits lying to their account and it would be appreciated if the Jugoslavs would now inform him whether they proposed to permit this or not.

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The Jugoslavs replied that Lt. Col. REARD had already answered this question in principle at the main Joint Economic Committee meeting.

Lt. Col. REARD said that this reply was unsatisfactory, and would the Jugoslavs clear the following queries :-

- a) British property was being sold without the consent of the British owners; was this in accordance with Yugoslav policy?
- b) Would they permit British owners to obtain proceeds from the sale of their property, and
- c) Would British owners be permitted to appoint their own agents?

The Jugoslavs said, /

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The Jugoslavs replied that they had already stated that these properties were under temporary administration and that relation towards the owners would be settled at the Peace Conference. No property had been confiscated or sold and any changes have been registered.

The Chairman pointed out that owners of these properties are not permitted access to the properties or allowed to nominate their own representatives, and Mr. URSICIC replied that up to now no one has raised the question. If the owners had remained in Zone B they would be allowed to administer their property in the same way as other residents.

The Chairman said it was common knowledge that British people own property all over the world. Everywhere else in the world their agents have access to the property. In Zone B they have not.

The Jugoslavs said that the legal position in Zones A and B was different to any other part of the world and such questions would have to be settled at the Peace Conference.

Lt. Col. BEARD enquired how British property was affected by the Peace Conference and he said he would raise the above-mentioned questions again at the main meeting.

A copy of the questions was handed to the Jugoslavs.

73. SOCIAL INSURANCE PAYMENTS IN ZONE B.

The Jugoslavs acknowledged receipt of a letter, subject as above. They promised to send a written reply and they stated that they were experiencing many similar cases of persons from Zone A and Italy being in receipt of payments for insurance benefits and pensions in Zone B. They added that they had people in Zone B receiving small pensions from the Italian State and they had increased these pensions to meet the increased cost of living.

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The Chairman read a letter to the Yugoslav Delegates asking if they could now report any progress in previous AMG requests for the recovery of records and documents lying at the Ufficio Imposte Dirette and Ufficio del Registro, TOLMINO, and which properly belong to the Communes of PLEZZO, CLORETTO, BERGOMA, GALLIE and VOLZANO.

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Major, D.I.E.,
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JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
 HQ QUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 13 CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY

6 JUN 46

MINUTES

290. The fourteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee was held at 10.00 hours, on 6 JUNE 46, in the Main Conference Room at HQ 13 Corps, TRIESTE.

PRESIDENT:Chairman

Brigadier G.Z.R. BASTIN, OBE
 Brigadier i/c Admin, Rear 13 Corps.

Members

Colonel C.H. BARNETT,
 DD.M., TRIESTE.

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 ANG 13 Corps.

Major K. COOPER,
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291. LETTER FROM THE COMMANDER 13 CORPS.

The Chairman read to the meeting a letter from the Corps Commander, addressed to DA & QMB, Rear HQ 13 Corps (Appx.A attached).

A translation was passed to the Yugoslav Delegation.

292. MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SEVEN MEETING OF THE INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

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COMMERCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

The a/m minutes were received.

293. CONTROL OF GOODS CROSSING THE MORGAN LINE.

Ing. KOVACIC referred to the need for establishing
additional control posts and requested that the matter be hastened in
the interests of their people.

Major COOPER replied that a request for additional posts
had been forwarded to higher authority.

Lt.Col. STEPHENS said he had been informed by the Supply
Officer for Gorizia Area that General Order No.45 is being implemented,
to ensure that persons importing goods from Zone B are in possession
of a Yugoslav Export Permit. Importers have stated that permits are
being taken from them at Yugoslav check-posts, and he requested the
Yugoslavs to look into the matter. The Yugoslavs agreed to do so.

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294. BUSES OWNED BY GRATONI.

Referring to Minute 175 of the Industry & Commerce Sub-Committee meeting on 31 MAY 46, Lt. Col. LEMMO said the Yugoslavs did not agree with the Anglo-American reply. Since the Allies would take no further steps it was no use continuing the discussion.

295. MACHINERY EXPORTED FROM THE COTTON MILL AT PODGORICA.

Brigadier BASTIN said that Lt. Col. BICKERSTETH had examined the situation at the cotton mill and was satisfied that any machinery removed is being replaced. The general organization was intact, and therefore it was not intended to produce detailed lists of machinery removed or brought in.

Major BULLIS said the Anglo-American delegation had agreed that some machinery had been taken from the cotton mill and that this machinery was being renewed, and lists of materials sent out and brought in had been promised. The Yugoslavs knew the mill is still functioning efficiently, but the lists promised by Major COOPER would confirm this fact. They enquired whether these lists were now ready.

The Chairman enquired whether the Yugoslavs produce similar lists of machinery removed from Zone B.

Major BULLIS replied that no machinery was being exported from Zone B. If the Yugoslavs at any time did so they might produce such lists if the Allies were interested.

Lt. Col. BICKERSTETH said he had given his personal assurance that the plant had not been impaired by the removal of machinery. Lists, however, could be produced, but he did not see any reason for doing so, and he suggested the question might be referred to higher authority.

The Chairman ruled that in this particular case lists would be produced, and the question whether in future cases detailed lists should be produced, or whether a guarantee that the efficient working of factories had not been impaired would suffice, will be referred to AMB for a decision.

296. RELEASE OF M/V SVIR AND LABOR

The Yugoslavs enquired whether the Allies had changed their opinion in this matter.

The Chairman said that the whereabouts of the LABOR was known, that she was unharmed, and that she was not under any restraint.

Lt. Col. LEMMO said this meant that the Allies would not take any action, and the Chairman replied that the position remained as before. The Allies had suggested that the owners of the ships should meet and decide what they wished to do. Lt. Col. LEMMO enquired whether the matter had been referred to the Legal Division.

Major COOPER replied that he had done so and the position remained as had been stated at the last meeting.

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Ing. KOVACIC said that Centropron had been requested to send the Commerce Division a list of goods for which facilities to cross the Borgan Line were desirable.

298. ARSA COAL

Lt.Col. STEPHENS said he had suggested a meeting between representatives of ARS, JTE and UIVOD to plan a programme for supplying coal.

Major COLCOB said the Yugoslavs agreed in principle, but they did not think a meeting would be necessary. UIVOD was the supplying party and anyone interested could approach UIVOD direct.

Lt.Col. STEPHENS enquired whether the Yugoslavs could state the quantities of monthly coal surpluses.

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The Yugoslavs replied they were unable to do so and they could not undertake obligations to supply any specified quantities over a period of time. Major COOPER added that coal which had already been sold to Zone A was still awaiting transport from Zone B.

Lt. Col. BLARD said the fault for this lay with the Anglo-American side, and Major COOPER said it was hoped to clear the coal by sea within 7 days.

Lt. Col. BLARD said that if the Yugoslavs would state their requirements trade could be arranged, but the debt to SELVEG was steadily increasing and he hoped the Yugoslavs would produce a great deal more coal in order to clear this debt. LMG had financed SELVEG and the Allies were naturally anxious to obtain re-payment.

Lt. Col. LMG enquired whether SELVEG had complained to LMG and if so, could the Yugoslavs be given a copy of the complaint.

Lt. Col. BLARD replied that SELVEG's complaint had been discussed about five months ago. The Yugoslavs owed about 20,000,000 lire and the debt was increasing by 10,000,000 lire per month. When SELVEG received all the coal allotted to them the Yugoslavs would still owe 30,000,000 lire. It must be apparent that the amount of coal allotted to SELVEG was not sufficient to meet the debt.

Lt. Col. LMG said this position showed SELVEG to be bad tradesmen, because knowing the quality of the coal, they had failed to ask for a sufficient quantity to cover the debt. He added that the question of additional debts would be studied with the Manager of SELVEG. Lt. Col. BLARD said the Yugoslavs had stated at the previous meeting that they had cleared the debt and that they would discuss at a later date the 30,000,000 lire still due.

Lt. Col. LMG said that, since then, an additional 25,000,000 lire had been agreed with SELVEG.

Lt. Col. BLARD said the Allies could not accept lire. It was agreed that when goods and services left Zone A, only goods and services could be accepted in return. He suggested a meeting to discuss the question of compensation.

Lt. Col. LMG said the question of supply had been settled, and he did not see the necessity of a separate agreement for compensation, or of receiving fresh directions on the subject.

Lt. Col. BLARD said the Anglo-American side would write to the Yugoslavs explaining how it was proposed to deal.

299. POSTAL FACILITIES FOR JUGOSLAVIA IN ZONE A.

Major COOPER said he had investigated the case, and it had been found that UMRs were already carrying out the duties mentioned in the Yugoslav application. It was therefore felt that the need for a Yugoslav Postal Official in Zone A did not exist.

Lt. Col. LMG said that if Major COOPER had carried his investigations further he would have stated that a great deal of theft was going on and that many parcels were not arriving at their destinations. The duty of the proposed Yugoslav representative would be to forward the post parcels (not the UMR parcels) from the USA to Yugoslavia. If LMG did not approve Mr. LMG's nomination, the Yugoslavs might nominate another official. They were only concerned to satisfy the people who received parcels, and many complaints have been received that parcels are arriving with half their contents missing. It had been agreed that postal

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Lt.Col. BARN said the Jugoslavs had stated at the finance meeting that they had cleared the debt and that they would discuss at a later date the 30,000,000 lire still due.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said that, since then, an additional 25,000,000 lire had been agreed with SILVER.

Lt.Col. BARN said the Allies could not accept lire. It was agreed that when goods and services left Zone A, only goods and services could be accepted in return. He suggested a meeting to discuss the question of compensation.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said the question of supply had been settled, and he did not see the necessity of a separate agreement for compensation, or of receiving fresh directions on the subject.

Lt.Col. BARN said the Anglo-American side would write to the Jugoslavs explaining how it was proposed to deal.

299. POSTAL FACILITIES FOR JUGOSLAVIA IN ZONE A.

Major COOPER said he had investigated the case, and it had been found that UMRs were already carrying out the duties mentioned in the Jugoslav application. It was therefore felt that the need for a Jugoslav Postal Official in Zone A did not exist.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said that if Major COOPER had carried his investigations further he would have stated that a great deal of theft was going on and that many parcels were not arriving at their destination. The duty of the proposed Jugoslav representative would be to forward the post parcels (not the UMR parcels) from the USA to Jugoslavia. If LMG did not approve Mr. LEMAC's nomination, the Jugoslavs might nominate another official. They were only concerned to satisfy the people who received parcels, and many complaints have been received that parcels are arriving with half their contents missing. It had been agreed that postal services should function normally and it was the duty of LMG, as well as JIG, to ensure this. If a Jugoslav representative could be sent to Zone A he could be incorporated with the Railway Coordinating Committee to carry out his duties.

Major COOPER said the LMG refusal was not based on personalities; it was based on the lack of sufficient evidence to justify the application. If Lt.Col. LEMAC could state that LMG was not furnishing proper postal facilities Major COOPER would look into the matter and discuss it with him at a later date.

Lt.Col. LEMAC replied that General Harding had said in his letter that time must not be wasted by going into details, and he therefore suggested that LMG should either accept or reject the proposal. LMG permission could always be withdrawn at a future date if it was thought that losses were no longer occurring.

Major COOPER/

Major COOPER said that if the Jugoslavs could put forward any further information in writing it would be discussed at the next Industry & Commerce meeting.

The Chairman enquired how much was being lost and Lt. Col. LEMAO replied that he could not state exact quantities, but the amount was considerable. It was not Jugoslav Military Government but individuals who were losing.

The Chairman said that Major COOPER would investigate the matter and give the Jugoslavs an answer as soon as possible.

300. ACT OF PURCHASING INDUSTRY V/A

Brigadier BASTIN enquired whether the Jugoslavs could return the registration book belonging to the seized car. If not, he suggested cancelling the book and the Police could issue a new one.

Lt. Col. LEMAO said he had no information yet, but he thought the book could probably be returned.

Brigadier BASTIN directed the cancellation of the book and a note of the loss to be entered in the new book.

301. ASSAULTS ON JUGOSLAV FUNCTIONARIES

The Chairman said that the Jugoslav report had been brought before the Corps Commander, who had ordered a full investigation to be carried out by J.G. This investigation was now proceeding.

302. COMSORZIO PER LA BENEFICA DELL'ISTRIA

The Chairman enquired whether there was any objection to an A.M.G. officer accompanying the President of the Company to ABRIATE, since A.M.G. had an interest in the concern.

The Jugoslavs replied that they saw no necessity for this. The President would not be restricted and he would be able to keep A.M.G. informed.

303. REMOVAL OF COMER TO LUBIANA

Lt. Col. LEMAO said it had been necessary to write to LUBIANA for information and it now appeared that some copies had been exported. It was not yet possible to give a definite answer, but if the facts are as stated by the Allies, would they say that action the Jugoslavs should take.

The Chairman said that enquiries on this point would be made.

Lt. Col. LEMAO said it would appear from this case that A.M.G. and J.M.G. should inform some Ministry whenever exports are made. In answer to a question from the Chairman, he said he was not aware of any existing agreement that such movement must be recorded.

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Lt.Col. LEMO said the Yugoslavs had handed a written complaint to the Chairman of the Industry & Commerce Sub-Committee meeting on 31 MAY 46.

The Chairman said the whole case was now under investigation, and a reply would be given as soon as possible.

305. REPAIRS TO AQUEDUCT AT VERACCO

Lt.Col. LEMO said that this aqueduct had been included in a general rehabilitation plan, and Lt.Col. BICKERSTETH said it would be such appreciated if the work could be expedited.

Lt.Col. LEMO replied that he understood the necessity for the aqueduct and that work on it had already begun.

306. RETURN OF M/V ASTRA

Lt.Col. LEMO said/

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306. (contd.)

Lt. Col. LEMCO said the ship was owned by Bruno Chiogga, had been registered in TRIESTE, and had been sunk in Zone B waters while flying the German flag. The Yugoslavs had raised the ship and carried out some repairs. They had no objection to the return of the ship, provided the owner would pay the cost of the repairs.

Major COOPER enquired whether the Yugoslavs would return the ship on payment of Lire 1,000,000.

Lt. Col. LEMCO replied that he did not know whether this amount was correct, but the matter would be settled if the owners would meet the bills presented by the firm who carried out the repairs. Major COOPER said he would leave the owner to negotiate the matter of the repair bill himself.

Lt. Col. LEMCO said the Yugoslavs would not have gone into this question but for the fact that Yugoslav Military Government had financed the repair work.

Lt. Col. BURD asked whether this established the principle that the owner of a ship which had undergone repairs can regain possession of the ship on payment of the cost of repairs.

Lt. Col. LEMCO said that this was a different question. There were not so many cases like this one, and there was no necessity to establish a principle. Each individual case should be discussed on its merits.

307. ROMAN OIL REFINERY

Lt. Col. LEMCO said that enquiries had been made and ROMAN had replied that no drilling shafts had been exported.

If the Anglo-American Delegation considered further investigations were necessary the Yugoslavs were willing to do so.

The Chairman said the Anglo-American side would accept this answer as a statement, and would inform the enquirer.

Lt. Col. LEMCO added that ROMAN stated they had never known of the existence in FIUME of any machinery belonging to AGIP. Therefore none could have been exported.

308. TUG NETTUNO

Lt. Col. BICKERSTEN said the tug NETTUNO was lying at FIUME and the owners wished to bring it to TRIESTE for repairs. The Company was prepared to pay for the cost of salvage, and it was presumed the Yugoslavs would have no objection to the removal of the tug against payment of costs.

Lt. Col. LEMCO said the question would be referred to the Yugoslav Navy and a reply forwarded to AG.

309. DEALINGS IN UNGER SUPPLIES

The Chairman read a report from a Trieste lawyer stating that a local merchant had bought a large consignment of UNGER soap from a dealer in Zone B. The matter was now in the hands of AG Legal Division, and UNGER were anxious to prevent any further illicit dealings in relief supplies.

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Lt. Col. LEMAS said it was clear that such things should not happen and the Yugoslavs would take steps to prevent any recurrence. They had not issued export permits.

310. RETURN OF 40-TON CRANE TO ZONE B

Lt. Col. LEMAS said that this question had been raised a long time ago and the crane was urgently needed in FIUME. This crane should have been returned to Zone B. A considerable sum had been spent on repairs to the crane and the Yugoslavs would like to know whether it could now be released.

Colonel BARNETT replied that the crane was being used for heavy lifts in connection with UNRA's cargoes.

Lt. Col. LEMAS said this matter had been discussed three or four months ago and at that time the Yugoslav request had been rejected by the Anglo-American Delegation. The Yugoslavs had invested a considerable amount of capital in the crane, and with Allied goodwill it could be released.

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310. (Contd.).

Brigadier EASTON said that Colonel BARNETT would examine the position and ascertain whether any adjustments could be made in the operation of the port.

The Yugoslavs enquired how soon they could receive an answer, and Colonel BARNETT replied he would make a statement at the meeting of the Joint Operating Committee on 15 JUNE 46.

311. BOILER CERTIFICATES

Lt.Col. LEMAC said that hardly any ships in Zone B are in possession of boiler certificates. These certificates are urgently needed, since the ships should not sail without them. The certificates were held in TRUSTED and he would be glad if they could be issued as soon as possible.

The Chairman said the certificates were probably not out of date and the boilers should be re-tested.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said the Yugoslavs would do so, but they wanted the old certificates as a basis to work on.

The Chairman instructed the Secretary to apply to N.C.I.C. Trieste or the Port Control authorities, for the certificates.

312. GRAZING FOR CATTLE

Lt.Col. LEMAC said that Anglo-American frontier guards had recently been preventing cattle crossing the Morgan Line from Zone B for grazing purposes. Since there were no suitable pastures in the vicinity, on the Zone B side of the line, could urgent instructions be given to permit the cattle to cross into Zone A.

The Chairman pointed out that a special agreement existed permitting movement within 1 km. either side of the Morgan Line.

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The Chairman enquired how far across the line it would be necessary to drive the cattle and Lt.Col. LEMAC said he was not sure, but he thought about 4-5 kms.

Lt.Col. BICKERSTETH said he agreed in principle and he would work out a plan as soon as possible.

313. FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the eighth meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee were received.

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Lt.Col. BARNETT agreed that workers dismissed in Zone A who resided in Zone B, and who had contributed to insurance societies, were entitled to unemployment benefits.

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315. PAYMENT OF CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC CURRENT

Lt.Col. HEARD said that if these charges were not by payment in kind a license from the Commerce Division must be obtained. Payment in kind could not be accepted.

Lt.Col. LEMMO said it was BELLEVILLE's responsibility to obtain the license, and with reference to Minute 70 of the eighth meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee, the meters should be set up in Divaccia, not in Udine, as recorded in the minute. Unless these measuring instruments were installed it was not possible to estimate the amount of current consumed by the railways in Zone B. As soon as the Yugoslavs were in possession of these instruments they would take action to calculate the amount due from them.

Lt.Col. HEARD said he would discuss the matter with Colonel RABATT.

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316. DEBTS BY JUGOSLAVS REIMBURSE IN ZONE A

Lt. Col. BEARD said that the question of these debts had now been outstanding for six months and he would appreciate an answer.

Lt. Col. LEMAS protested against the wording of Minute 71 to the eighth meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee. He thought the expressions used were too sharp in tone, and such expressions would not lead to a satisfactory solution of the question. The Jugoslavs should be addressed and treated as equals.

Referring to the statement in the minute that "these persons had been awaiting payment for months" Lt. Col. LEMAS said that the Jugoslavs themselves were awaiting payment from the Americans, but he did not wish to discuss the point. He had been informed that the final phase in the examination of these debts had been reached, but of course the bills would have to be reviewed. In many cases, it was an issue between the purchaser and the seller of goods, and not a matter to be dealt with, either by Allied Military Government or Yugoslav Military Government. Some of the bills showed expenses of 100%, and in other cases, goods had been ordered but not yet delivered. The Jugoslavs would not pay in these cases, but such debts which are found to be in order will be settled.

Brigadier BASTIN said he was quite certain that nobody had any intention to treat the Jugoslavs other than equals, and the wording of the minute could be altered if they wished. He wanted the Jugoslavs to understand that it was not his intention to treat them as in any way inferior, and it would be recorded that Lt. Col. LEMAS had objected to the rather sharp expressions used in Minute 71.

Lt. Col. BEARD said there were no debts owing to the Jugoslavs by the Americans. Some firms had been waiting eight months for payment from the Jugoslavs; O.R.D.A. for instance, are owed 109,000,000 lire. The time must come when these firms can no longer carry on through lack of working capital, which would surely affect the economy of the territory. Lt. Col. LEMAS replied that it had been pointed out several times that the Yugoslav delegates were not competent to deal with this question. However, he had been told that preliminary action had been taken and conditions had been arranged for payment to be made.

Lt. Col. LEMAS alluded to the difficult conditions prevailing in Yugoslavia and said it was extremely hard to establish favourable circumstances for effecting payment. Furthermore, in many cases, firms had forwarded bills which had not been agreed by the other side. When payment could be made firms will mutually agree the amounts payable.

Lt. Col. BEARD said that these debts had arisen from transactions between firms and the Yugoslav Government, and not between firms and other firms. He would like to be given an approximate date when settlements would take place. If any disputes about prices arose they could be referred to the Price Fixing Committee, which is the competent body for deciding such questions.

Lt. Col. LEMAS said the statements he had just made were based on a recent conversation with an official who was dealing with the matter.

He could not give the date for settlement but would do so as soon as possible.

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Lt. Col. LEMAC agreed.

317. BRITISH OWNED PROPERTY IN ZONE B

Lt. Col. BEARD said he would be obliged if the Yugoslavs could now give an answer to the questions recorded in Minute 72 of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting on 1 JUN 46.

Lt. Col. LEMAC acknowledged the receipt of a list of British owned properties, and he replied that the Yugoslavs had never said that owners could not participate or direct the disposal of their properties. He had checked about six items on the list and found them to be Italian, not British property.

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The question of altering the registration of properties should be discussed by the Legal Division of Allied Military Government and Yugoslav Military Government and when this matter has been agreed the other questions could be easily solved.

With reference to Lt.Col. BLARD's question whether it was in accordance with Yugoslav policy to sell British property without the consent of the owners, Lt.Col. LEMIG said this was a different question and he considered it should be cancelled. He had not known that these properties were British until he received Lt.Col. BLARD's statement and it would be necessary to check the information.

Lt.Col. BLARD said he was seeking to establish a General Principle regarding British property in general, not only the property he had listed.

Lt.Col. LEMIG replied that if an owner established proof of ownership he would be free to dispose of his property in any way he wished, and this principle was applicable to all property owners, not only British owners. When proof of ownership had been given, owners would of course be permitted to administer their properties. These owners were all in accordance with Yugoslav policy.

Lt.Col. LEMIG requested that the reference to the Peace Conference in Minute 72 should either be deleted, or amended to read "such questions would be settled after the Peace Conference".

The Chairman said it was now agreed that proved owners would be permitted to visit their properties.

Lt.Col. LEMIG enquired whether the Yugoslavs could be informed when the owners would arrive, and the Chairman replied that due notice would be given.

318. SOCIAL INSURANCE BENEFITS IN ZONE B

The Yugoslavs handed in a written reply to Lt.Col. BLARD's letter on this subject.

319. RAIL RENTALS AND TAXATION RECORDS

Lt.Col. BLARD said that last January he had requested the return of tax rolls belonging to various communes in Zone B, but he had not yet received them. These documents were kept separately by Communes and it should not be difficult to find them.

Lt.Col. LEMIG said the authorities had been approached and it had been found that there were two kinds of rolls, one civil and one military. Experts were now at work sorting them out.

Lt.Col. BLARD enquired when the rolls would be available, and Lt.Col. LEMIG replied they would be ready on or about 25 JUNE.

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320. EXEMPTIONS TO MINUTES

With reference to the thirteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, it was agreed to amend the last paragraph of Min.272 to read as follows: "At the request of Lt.Col. LEMO it will be recorded in the minutes that the Anglo-American delegation considers to be unable to take any measures for the ships to return to their ports of registration, and at the Chairman's request, it will be recorded that the Anglo-American delegation suggests that the owners should meet to discuss about the future of the ships".

The Yugoslavs proposed that the heading of the minute be amended to read "LEGAL PROTECTION OF THE SVIR AND LAFOR" and, after discussion, the Chairman ruled that the present heading would remain unaltered.

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321. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The Chairman said it had been suggested that more business could be dealt with by the Sub-Committees and that the main meeting should only be called about once in every six weeks. Lt. Col. MILAG suggested fixing a date now for the next main meeting, and he would put the suggestion to the Yugoslav Military Government.

The date for the next meeting was fixed tentatively for 25 JULY 46 at 10.00 hours.

Both Sub-Committees would meet on 10 JULY 46 :-

Industry & Commerce	-	10.00 hrs.
Finance	-	14.30 "

REST OF DAY

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47. Public Works, AMG 13 Corps.
- 48/67 Yugoslav Delegation
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72. GSI (B) Main 13 Corps.
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From the minutes of recent meetings of the Joint Economic Committee it appears to me that a great deal of time is being wasted in discussion of unimportant details and the wording of the minutes of previous meetings, which are material to the business of the Committee.

You should point out to all members of the Committee that I cannot agree to allow members of my Staff to waste their time in this way; that the Committee must in future confine itself to important matters, and conduct its business much more promptly, otherwise I shall have to recommend to the Supreme Allied Commander that its proceedings be drastically curtailed or suspended altogether.

(signed)

J. HARRING,
Lieutenant General,
Commander.CTF
R/L.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
Communications Sub-Commission

WHG/ams

T.92.209/CS

6th June 1946

Subject: Venezia Giulia Post Office
Personnel Requirements.

To : Director General Ministry
of Posts and Telecommunications.

With reference to your 245994 of 20th
May 1946.

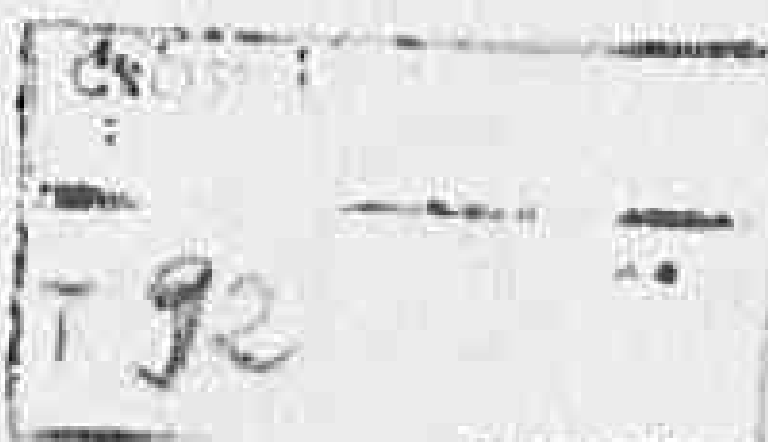
1. Copies of your letter and enclosures
have been forwarded to the Communications Officer
A.M.G. Venezia Giulia.

2. This Officer now also acts as A.M.G.
Postal Officer for Udine. So far as that Province
is concerned, however, you are authorized to act
in the matter of the retirements of all personnel
(except those holding directing appointments)
exactly as if the province was in Italian Govt.
territory. In other words, the procedure laid
down for the implementation of Italian Decrees
and ministerial decisions on pay and allowances
may also be applied in other personnel matters
in Udine Province.

3. As regards the personnel in Zara, these
come under Yugoslav Administration at the present
time.

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

Copy to:
Communications Officer
A.M.G. Venezia Giulia.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 794

Communications Sub-Commission

WHG/ams

T.92.208/CS

6th June 1946

Subject: Venezia Giulia Post Office
Personnel Retirements.

To : Communications Officer
A.M.G. Venezia Giulia.

With reference to your 13C/AMG/812 of
18th March enclosed for your information are
copies and translations of a letter from the
Ministry with various directives issued on this
question of retirement.

WHG
H. H. SOUDDER
Colonel, Sig. C.
Director.

Inc. :
Copy and translations of Ministries 245994
of 20th May.
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TRANSLATION

N. 245994

20th May 1946

From: Ministry P.T.

To: A.C. Communications S/C

Subject: Retirement of the Personnel of the Venezia Giulia.

Reference letter T.92.153/CS here are to you the copies of the instructions issued some time ago by the Ministry of Treasury, by the Presidency of the Council of the Ministers and by the writer, relative to the official retirement of the overseventy years old personnel.

In this connection you are informed that the Provincial P.T. Direction of Trieste, with telegram n. 25801, dated 31st March, here attached in copy, let our Ministry know that the Officer of the A.M.G. for Posts and Telecommunications of that area, has already arranged for the retirement of the employees and agenti indicated to that Command with the precedent ministerial circular excepting the capo squadra BIANZANI Luigi, who will remain in service.

Since the Direction of Trieste has also reported that the above said Officer is not in charge for the Province of Udine let us know, please, to which authority this Ministry has to address itself in order this provision be extended to this Province.

You are moreover kindly requested to communicate to which authority can the writer address itself in order to get precise news about the fate of the personnel of the suppressed Provincial P.T. Direction of Zara.

THE MINISTER

TRANSLATION

n. 23401

31st 3 1946

From Direction of Trieste.

Referring to letter 245994 of your Ministry dated 16.3 addressed to Allied Commission, you are informed that Telecommunications Officer A.M.G. of this area arranged (so far as concerns Venezia Giulia) regarding the retirement proposed for the employees and agents effective 1st May excepting caposquadra Bianzini Luigi retained in service and Director of accountancy Sossi Giuseppe whose provision is postponed to 1st July. The provision does not regard the Directions of Udine, and Zara, for which no one here is responsible. Give, please, urgent confirmation to this Direction of the provisions affecting its competence.

SUPERIOR DIRECTOR GRECO

TRANSLATION

14 December 1944

n. 108245

From: General Accountancy of the State.

To : Central Administrations of the State
for information Presidency of the Council of the Ministers.

Subject: Retirement of civil state personnel.

With circular 27th September n. 103320 of this Ministry has been stated, amongst other things, that for the personnel that at the moment of the retirement by the republican Government had already reached the two limits of 65 years of age and 40 years of service and for those who will reach them within the current year, the maintaining in services should be limited to the 31st December 1944, if there are no particular higher limits arranging with such a date the definite retirement.

Having calculated that there are very many who should be retired on 1st January next and as several Administrations have pointed out that such a retirement would bring serious consequences in the wellbeing of the various services, in view also of the numerous vacancies in the rolls, it is directed in accordance with the Presidency of the Council of the Ministers- that only personnel which reached the 70 years of age and 40 years of service on the above mentioned date should be retired. The retirement of the other personnel is suspended for the whole of year 1945.

As regards the criterion to follow for future retirements which may be influenced by ~~the~~ event, further instructions ~~unforeseen~~ will be given.

Each Administration, however, has the faculty to retire those officials who have reached the two limits of 65 years of age and 40 years of service but are no longer in condition to render good service to the Administration.

THE MINISTER

F. to SOLERI

TRANSLATION

n. 49944/43620/1-1-28

23rd October 1945

From: Presidency of the Council of the Ministers.

To : Vice President of the Council of the Ministers.
The Ministries.

Alto Commissariato per l'Igiene e la Sanita' Pubblica.

Alto Commissariato per le sanzioni contro il Fascismo.

Enti dipendenti dalla Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.

Subject: Employment of the released soldiers in the public Administr.

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D) RETIREMENTS

The possibility of employment for demobilised soldiers will obviously increase when the normal rhythm in the retirement of pensionable employees is resumed creating more availability of posts for permanent employment.

To this end the instructions issued some time ago for maintaining in service the personnel until the 70th year of age are revoked.

In arranging the retirements, each Administration has, however, to follow a gradual plan having regard to the effective re-opening of the civil service examinations. It has to be taken into account in this connection that, from now on, it is possible to put up for civil-service examination posts which can be foreseen to fall vacant as a result of retirements; these could therefore be postponed until the moment when the civil-service examinations are completed and consequent nominations are proceeding.

.....Omissis.....

THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Ferruccio Parri

TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Memorial for the Minister

With circular n. 108245 dated 14 dec. 1944, the State General Accountancy (General Inspectorate of the Organization of the personnel Div. XVI) stated, in accordance with the Presidency of the Council of the Ministers, the retirement official, effective 1st January current year the personnel that, on the date of 31st Dec. 1944 reached 70th years of age and 40 years of service and pointed out that the other personnel's retirement remained suspended for the whole year 1945.

The Presidency of the Council of the Ministers (Studies and Leg. Office) with circular 49944 of 23rd Oct. revoked the above said dispositions inviting each administration to follow, in resuming the normal rhythm of the official retirements, a gradual plan in relation to effective re opening of civil service examinations for permanent employment.

The above said circular pointed out that the discharges by the service relative to the instructions in question could be postponed to the time when, the civil service examinations were finished and the consequent nominations could proceed.

The Provincial Direction of Catania, with the attached telegram of 26th current, asked to know if, starting 1st January should be initiated the retirement of the personnel that, on that date, reached the 70th year of age and 40 years of service.

Before replying to that Direction and to the others that will make similar requests you are kindly requested to let us know your decision.

In this connection it is pointed out that the employees and the agents that on the above said date will have reached the above said limits of age and service will be 111 divided as follows:

1st category	Ruolo A	n. 3
"	" B	9
2nd category	Group C	" 52
3rd "	(personnel of order)	" 47
	TOTAL	111

GENERAL DIRECTOR

Rome 2 January 1946

It is decided to retire the personnel that at 31st December 1945 have completed 70 years of age and 40 years of service. Gradually we must return to the law.

Signed SCILBA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 794

Communications Sub-Commission

HWW/ec

Ref: T.92.807.CS

28 May 1946

SUBJECT: Telegraph Service - Venezia Giulia

TO : Mr. Miko Jaksic
Secretary of the Yugoslav Delegation,
Advisory Council for Italy

Ref: This S/C Memo n°. F222/51/CS of 20 April 1946.

1. Would you kindly whether it has been possible
to adopt the suggestion in the above quoted Memo.

H.H. SCUDDER,
Col. Sig. G.
Director.



20 MAY 1946

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Sottocommissione per le
Comunicazioni WHG/a ms
Via Veneto ROMA

Reported at N. T. 92. 153. CS
Oct 18-3-1946

OGGETTO Collocamento a riposo del personale della Venezia Giulia.

Con riferimento alla nota sopra indicata, si inviano a codesto Comando le copie delle disposizioni a suo tempo impartite dal Ministero del Tesoro, dalla Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri e dallo scrivente, relativamente al collocamento a riposo d'ufficio del personale ultrasettantenne. -

Al riguardo s'informa che la Direzione Provinciale P.T. di Trieste, con telegramma n.2380I, in data 31 marzo p.p., di cui si unisce copia, ha fatto conoscere a questo Ministero che l'Ufficiale del Governo Militare Alleato addetto alle Poste e Telecomunicazioni di quella Zona, ha già disposto il collocamento a riposo degli impiegati ed agenti già segnalati a codesto Comando medesimo, con la precedente ministeriale, ad eccezione del Capo squadra BIANZANI Luigi, il quale sarà trattenuto in servizio.-

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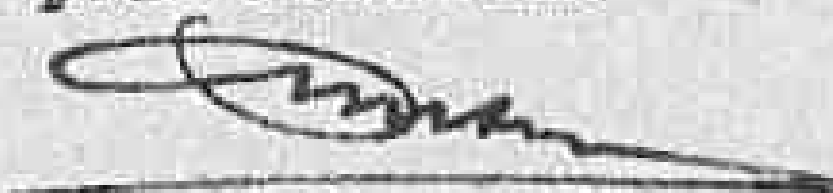
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sarà trattenuto in
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Poiché la Direzione stessa ha inoltre informato che l'Ufficiale predetto non ha competenza per la Direzione di Udine, si prega di voler far conoscere a quale Autorità dovrà rivolgersi ^{questo} Ministero perché il provvedimento di cui trattasi venga esteso alla provincia medesima.-

Con l'occasione si prega ^{altri} di comunicare a quale Autorità potrà rivolgersi lo scrivente per avere notizie precise circa la sorte del personale della soppressa Direzione Provinciale P.T. di Zara.-

p. IL MINISTRO



Copia

A TRIESTE 23801 31/3 II40 = PGEN 2/1 R.

1030 A. RIFERIM. NOTA COTESTO MINISTERO 245994 16 MARZO DIRETTA
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA PARTECIPÒ CHE UFFICIALE POSTE/TELECOMUNICAZIONI
GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO QUESTA ZONA HA DISPOSTO PER QUANTO RIGUARDA
VENEZIA GIULIA COLLOCAMENTO A RIPOSO PROPOSTO IMPIEGATI E AGENTI
CON EFFETTO PRIMO MAGGIO P.V. AD ECCEZIONE CAPOSQUADRA BIANZANI
LUIGI TRATTENUTO SERVIZIO E DIRETTORE RAGIONERIA SOSSI GIUSEPPE
CUI PROVVEDIMENTO VIENE PROROGATO 1° LUGLIO PUNTO PROVVEDIMENTO
NON RIGUARDA DIREZIONI UDINE ET ZARA PER LE QUALI NON SI HA
QUI COMPETENZA TUNTO SI PREGA DISPORRE DADONE URGENTE CONFERMA
QUESTA DIREZIONE PER PROVVEDIMENTI SUA COMPETENZA.

DNE SUP. GRECO

Per copia conforme

Il Capo Divisione

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C O P I A

RAGIONERIA GENERALE DELLO STATO
ISPEZZ. GENERALE
per gli ordinamenti del personale

Divisione XVI
Prot. n. 108245

Roma, 14 dicembre 1944

OGGETTO:
Collocamento a riposo
dei personali civili
dello Stato

ALLE AMMINISTRAZIONE CENTRALE
DELO STATO
e per conoscenza
ALLA PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO
DEI MINISTRI

Con circolare 27 settembre u.s. n. 103320 di questo Ministero è stato stabilito, fra l'altro, che per il personale che al momento del collocamento a riposo da parte del sedicente governo repubblicano aveva già raggiunto i due limiti di 65 anni di età e di 40 anni, di servizio, e per quello che li raggiungerà entro l'anno corrente, il mantenimento in servizio sia limitato al 31 dicembre 1944 - semprechè non sussistano particolari limiti più elevati - disponendosi con tale data il definitivo collocamento a riposo.

Poichè si è dovuto constatare che moltissimi sono coloro che dovrebbero essere collocati a riposo col prossimo 1° gennaio e varie amministrazioni hanno fatto presente che tale esodo nuocerebbe non poco al buon andamento dei vari servizi, stante anche le numerose vacanze nei ruoli, si dispone - d'accordo con la Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri - che sia collocato a riposo, con la decorrenza suddetta, soltanto il personale che abbia compiuto 70 anni di età e 40 anni di servizio. Il collocamento a riposo d'ufficio del restante personale è sospeso per tutto l'anno 1945.

Circa i criteri da adottare per i collocamenti a riposo da effettuare in prosieguo di tempo, relativamente ai quali potranno influire avvenimenti ora non prevedibili, saranno impartite a suo tempo ulteriori disposizioni.

Ben s'intende che rimane ferma la facoltà di collocare a riposo quei funzionari che hanno raggiunto i due limiti di 65 anni di età e di 40 anni di servizio ma non sono in grado di prestare opera proficua per l'amministrazione.

Divisione XVI
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IL MINISTRO

F.to SOLERI

Per copia conforme

Il Capo Divisione

[Signature]

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Roma 23 ottobre 1945

PRESIDENZA
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

UFFICIO STUDI E LEGISLAZIONE

Prot. N° 49944/43620/I-I-28

O G G E T T O

Impiego dei reduci nelle pubbliche
Amministrazioni.

Al Vice Presidente del Consiglio
dei Ministri

Al Ministri

All'Alto Commissariato per l'Igiene
e la Sanità Pubblica

All'Alto Commissariato per le san-
zioni contro il fascismo

Agli Enti dipendenti dalla Presiden-
za del Consiglio dei Ministri.

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D) COLLOCAMENTI A RIPOSO

Le possibilità di assorbimento dei reduci sono evidentemente destinate ad aumentare allorchè, riprendendosi il normale ritmo nei collocamenti a riposo degli impiegati aventi diritto a pensione, si avrà una maggiore disponibilità di posti per le ammissioni di carriera;

A tal fine, vengono revocate le disposizioni a suo tempo im- partite per il mantenimento in servizio del personale fino al set- tantesimo anno di età. Nel disporre i collocamenti a riposo, le singole Amministrazioni si atterranno, tuttavia, ad un opportuno criterio di gradualità, in relazione specialmente alla effettiva ripresa dei concorsi. E' da tener presente in proposito che è pos- sibile, fin d'ora, mettere a concorso i posti di cui si prevede la successiva vacanza, in conseguenza dei collocamenti a riposo. Que- sti potranno essere, quindi, evidentemente protratti fino al no-

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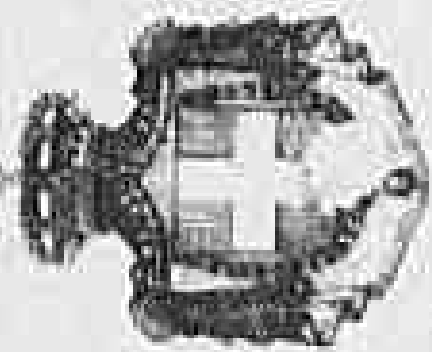
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/s/ Terruccio Parri



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All'Alto Commissariato per le sanzioni contro il fascismo
Agli Enti dipendenti dalla Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri.



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SERV. II PERSONALE
DIVISIONE I SEZIONE III

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PROMUOIA PER IL

SIGNOR MINISTRO

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La Direzione Provinciale di Catania, con l'unito telegramma del 26 c.m. ha chiesto di conoscere se, a decorrere dal 1° gennaio prossimo, si debba far luogo al collocamento a

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riposo del personale che, a tale data, abbia compiuto 70 anni di età e 40 di servizio.

Prima di rispondere alla detta Direzione ed alle altre che faranno analoghe richieste, si prega la S.V. Ill.ma di voler partecipare le proprie decisioni.

Al riguardo si fa presente che i funzionari e gli agenti dell'amministrazione che, alla predetta data avranno superato i limiti di età e di servizio sopra menzionati, sono complessivamente

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1 ^a categoria-	ruolo A	n. 3	
id.	" B	" 9	
2 ^a categoria:	Gruppo C	" 52	
3 ^a "	(pers. subel- terno)	" 47	

T O T A L E N.131

Roma 2 gennaio 1946

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Sto. Mussini

Si dispone il collocamento a riposo del personale che al 31 dicembre 1945 ha compiuto i 70 anni e che - e 40 di servizio. Gradualmente si dovrà tornare alla legge.

Sto. Felba

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Roma 2 gennaio 1946

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

L. dispone il collocamento a riposo del personale che al 31 dicembre 1945 ha compiuto i 40 anni e che è 40 g. servizio. Gradualmente si dovrà tornare alla legge.

F. Scelba

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JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
XIII CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE - AGENDA

The thirteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee (per agreement of 20th Jan 1946) between the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theatre of Operations and the Supreme Commander of the Yugoslav Army, will be held at 1000 hrs on FRIDAY, 3 MAY 1946, in the Main Conference Room, No. 66, HQ. AIG-13 Corps, TRIESTE, to consider the following AGENDA :-

1. Minutes of the twelfth meeting held on 29 March 1946.
2. To consider the minutes of the meetings of the following Sub-Committees:-
 - a. Industry & Commerce and Fuel & Power Sub-Committee meeting of 25 April 1946 (Appendix A).
 - b. Finance Sub-Committee meeting of 26 April 1946 (Appendix B).
3. Reference Minute 239 of the twelfth meeting.
Confirmation is required from the Yugoslav representatives that a damaged 2,000 K.W. 3,000 V C.G.E. motorifier may be removed from TRIESTE with a view to it's being repaired and put to use in ITALY where it is urgently required.
4. Any other business.
5. To set a date for the next meeting.

T.92.205

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29 April 1946

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H. G. HATCH.
Major, 24th.
Secretary
Joint Economic Com.

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In reply, Major GOOPER said we cannot compel the return of private funds and economic rights, and it is now up to the good-uses, there are private property, and it is now up to the good-

PRESENT:Chairman

Major K. COOPER,
Economics Division,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

Members

Major J.L. FODEN,
Ind & Utilities,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

Ing. KOVACIC, M.
Maj. BARISIC, M.
Maj. BJELIS, S.

In Attendance

Lieut. K.J. LISTER,
Economics Division,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

R/O. LLOYD,
Commerce Division,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

152. IDENTITY CARDS

Ing. KOVACIC asked for 15 sets of Allied identity cards for administration purposes.

The Chairman instructed the Secretary to supply them as soon as possible.

153. BUSES OFFERED BY GRATONI

The Jugoslavs enquired if any further steps had been taken in this matter and said that Appendix I of the Morgan-Jovanovic Agreement ~~gratoni~~ transport questions such as this. They added that if transportation is allowed to remain in private hands an economic crisis will be provoked.

In reply, Major COOPER said we cannot compel the return of these buses because they are private property, and it is now up to the goodwill of the owner to put them on the road. He said he did not, however, consider the matter closed.

Major BJELIS said the Joint Economic Committee is responsible for these matters and this is an economic question.

The Chairman replied he would try to get something further accomplished before the main meeting.

154. MACHINERY EXPORTED FROM THE COTTON MILL AT PODGORA

Ing. KOVACIC asked what steps had been taken in this matter and the Chairman agreed that such machinery should not be removed. In this connection, he had received information that machinery was leaving Zone B for Yugoslavia.

Major BJELIS said they did not want to discuss the broad question of movement of machinery; he only wished to know if the Allies had carried out the promises made at the last meeting. If any machinery had been removed from Zone B the Jugoslavs would be glad to have details.

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154. (Cont'd).

The Chairman replied that the decision at the last meeting was that we would try to get the machinery returned. We have had no answer so far but we will try to have one for the next meeting. He referred the Jugoslavs to Lt. Col. BICKERSTETH'S statement in the last part of Minute 228.

Ing. KOVACIC: Did you request the return of the machinery?

Chairman : Investigations are being made to find out if this is possible.

155. REMOVAL OF DRILLING SHAFTS AT AGIP PUMP (POISA)

The Chairman enquired what steps the Jugoslavs had taken to have these drilling shafts returned.

Ing. KOVACIC replied that according to their investigations, the information that the machinery had been removed was not true.

156. FOREIGN OFFICE.

The Chairman said the Jugoslavs had agreed to send a representative to collect the maps and documents, but no such representative had come. He added he had received the Yugoslav account and would go to GORILLA to make investigations at the first opportunity.

Major RJELIS stated that they would send Ing. JOST and they would like Major COOPER to study their report.

Major COOPER then enquired the reason why supplies of wood are no longer coming to the Gorizia saw mill from Zone B since he had made the investigation on the subject.

Major RJELIS replied he knew nothing about this, and he asked who is stopping the wood coming in.

The Chairman answered apparently someone in Zone B is doing so. An officer was sent to investigate and he was told that suppliers were not sending in any more wood to the saw mill.

The Jugoslavs suggested that the wood is possibly being stopped at the check-posts on the Mergen Line but the Chairman replied that this is not the case. The Jugoslavs then stated they would make investigations.

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Ing. KOVACIC asked what is the present position with regard to these ships.

The Chairman enquired what has happened to the five ships the Jugoslavs are holding.

Ing. KOVACIC said they would not be released until the "ZVIR" and "LABOR" returned to Zone B ports.

The Chairman answered he had already said that the ships were free to return and the Captain of the "LABOR" has been told he can leave VESIC as soon as he wishes. The "ZVIR" was released as soon as we found out it had been improperly impounded.

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157. RELEASE OF M/V. "ZVIR" AND "LABOR"

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Major BARISIC: The "ZVIR" and "LABOR" were requisitioned by the allies when they sailed from Zone B waters. These ships often went to VENICE before and they always returned, but the fact that they were requisitioned encourages the Captains to stay away. As the requisition was irregular, AMG are responsible for compelling the ships to return.

The Chairman referred the Yugoslavs to the minutes of the last shipping meeting where it is stated the Captains were instructed to return.

Major RJELIS: We have given permission to our five Captains to return to Zone A but nothing has been done by AMG to return the "ZVIR" and "LABOR".

The Chairman again asked the Yugoslavs to produce a letter from the owners and said that if they did so steps would be taken to have the ships returned as soon as possible.

The Yugoslavs said the Captains of the ships were under the impression that they are under no obligation to return and the economy of Zone B is being damaged. The only measures left to them were to hold back ships of corresponding tonnage, and they would be glad if the matter could be cleared up.

157. (Contd).

The Chairman referred the Yugoslavs to para. 2 of Appendix G in the Morgan-Jovanovic agreement and said that if the Yugoslavs intend to hold these ships we are entitled to inspect the ports.

The Yugoslavs said these ships are registered in PUNE, and the War Transport Office which controls all shipping is aware that shipping space is being wasted.

The Chairman replied that the War Transport Office knows the circumstances and that he could do nothing unless the Yugoslavs produced letters from the owners. We would discuss the matter further at the main meeting.

158. CONTROL OF GOODS CROSSING THE MORGAN LINE

Ing. KOVACIC stated the Yugoslavs had sent in a list of roads on which they would like check-posts to be established, and the Chairman said that enquiries are being made to find out if qualified personnel can be found to man these posts. As soon as this information is known, he will give a further reply.

The Yugoslavs requested that the matter be hastened as commercial traffic is being held up.

The Chairman said he agreed, but it is a matter of finding the necessary personnel.

159. GOODS IN TRANSIT FROM ITALY

Ing. KOVACIC said that the firm DEZMAN TRADING had been refused an import licence for goods entering Zone A and Major RUSIC asked if an exception could be made in the case of goods which were already in Zone A before the regulations came into force and if such goods could be given a transit permit to enter Zone B.

The Chairman said it had been agreed that goods originating in Zone A do not require an Italian Chamber of Commerce certificate of origin. The Yugoslavs said they were referring to goods imported into Zone A before General Order No. 45 came into force, and this firm is an example. It was agreed at the last meeting that such goods should be treated as originating in Zone A.

F/O. LLOYD said that Italian authority is not required in the case of goods which arrived in Zone A before General Order No. 45 came into force.

The Yugoslavs reported that the goods in question come under this category but the firm was told that a certificate from the Milan Chamber of Commerce would be needed.

The Chairman said he would give an answer regarding this particular case at the main meeting.

160. RADIO TRANSITTER REPORTED AT GORIZIA.

The Chairman read an extract from AMH, letter No. G-5-912.311 dated 11 April 1946, which stated "Under Italian law a permit is required for the export of goods. In this case no permit was obtained for the purchase of radio equipment. Moreover the equipment was exported prior to 31st December 1945, then AM regulations in effect in Northern Italy at that time were infringed. Infringement is still actionable in Italian courts."

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The Yugoslavs made no reply.

161. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AT OPICINA

The Yugoslavs enquired whether the transformer which was taken to ITALY had been returned and Major FODEN said he would ask Colonel BURNETT, who would be able to give an answer at the main meeting.

162. POSTAL FACILITIES FOR JUGOSLAVIA IN ZONE A

The Yugoslavs said that a letter had been sent to the Joint Economic Committee appointing Mr. LUKASIK, Milan, to represent the Yugoslav Post Office in connection with the arrival of parcels from the United States destined for Yugoslavia.

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162. (Cont)

The Secretary answered he had got in touch with the A.M.G. Communications Officer who informed him that such work would occupy two or three days. Mr. LEMASSI was not in possession of an A.M.G. permit to enter Zone A and it was therefore explained to him that his presence in Zone A was irregular and that if he wished to obtain such a permit he must make application to A.M.G. through the appropriate Yugoslav channels. Mr. LEMASSI agreed to do so.

The Chairman said in this connection an American sailor was put in jail by the Yugoslavs for entering Zone B without a permit.

The Yugoslavs requested that facilities be given to Mr. LEMASSI to carry on his work undisturbed as soon as he receives the necessary permit.

163. BEE-KEEPING.

The Yugoslavs said that certain bee-keepers in Zone B are in the habit of moving their hives to an area near GORIZLA in the Summer time. May they continue to carry on this practice in exchange for similar facilities for bee-keepers in Zone A. It would not be necessary for the bee-keepers themselves to remain in the area. The Yugoslavs feared that the bees and hives might be prevented from crossing by the A.M.G. control posts.

The Chairman replied that he would take the necessary steps to prevent this happening. He would give a decision on the whole question at the main meeting.

164. AUCTION OF WAR BOOTY IN POLA.

The Yugoslavs said they had been informed that an auction will be held on the 26th April for the sale of machinery, electrical, and waste materials. They consider this to be irregular.

Lt. LISTER said that no material claimed as War Booty by the Yugoslavs would be included in the sale; all items have been thoroughly checked and nothing which the Yugoslavs have claimed would be offered for sale.

The Yugoslavs said they would get in touch with their own War Booty Committee on the matter, and further assurances were then given by the Chairman.

165. ACT OF PIRACY AGAINST THE M/V SLEPA.

The Chairman enquired what action the Yugoslavs had taken against the offenders and they replied that investigations are being made and an answer would be given at the main meeting. They agreed with the Chairman that the matter was important.

166. ROMANIAN OIL REFINERY AT TIMISOARA.

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The Chairman read out a letter from the Company regarding dismissal of the management and employees and asked the Yugoslavs to ensure that the dismissed persons are fully compensated according to law.

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The Jugoslavs replied that they had not been informed about the case but if the employees are insured persons they should get in touch with the appropriate authorities. They promised to make investigations.

167. POLA CONVOY.

The Chairman asked if the Jugoslavs could now give a reply to this question.

The Jugoslavs referred to the reply they had given at the last main meeting under Minute 218 and also to the statement by Lt. Colonel BICKERSTETH that an answer was required by 10th April. They understood from this that no further reply would be required if their decision remained unchanged. The position, therefore, remains as before and the answer is in the negative.

168. MOVEMENT WITHIN 1 KM OF THE MORGAN LINE.

The Jugoslavs stated that they had given the required permission at the meeting on 1st April.

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169. REMOVAL OF INDUSTRIAL PLANT FROM ZONE A.

Major COOPER said that some time ago the Yugoslavs proposed that the Anglo-American side should issue a General Order regarding the removal of plant for industrial facilities from Zone A. This question has been considered but it is not felt that such an order is necessary.

170. ALTERATION OF NUMBERS ON RAILWAY WAGONS.

The Chairman said that he had received information that Allied Governments, particularly the U.S. Embassy in BELGRADE, had arrived at their destination with their numbers altered and differing from the numbers shown on the manifest.

Major DILLIS said that as far as they know no such changes had been made, and in any event they thought it was a question for the Railway Co-ordinating Committee. If details regarding time, place and the wagons whose numbers had been altered could be given, the matter would be taken up by the Railway Co-ordinating Committee at their meeting on the 4th May.

171. EXPORTS FROM ZONE A

Major COOPER said he would bring a list of surplus exportable goods to the main meeting.

172. CONSORZIO PER LA BONIFICA DELL'ISTRIA

Lieut. LISTER asked if a meeting could be arranged at AMG in TRIESTE in order that AMG experts could attend. He said that AMG had subsidised this Company to prevent dismissals and accordingly AMG is interested in the matter.

Ing. KOVACIC replied that the Yugoslavs had already agreed that the President of the Company might visit ABRAZLI and she asked why the matter should be discussed here. We have only been asked for documents which, however, we are unable to find.

The Yugoslavs did not see the necessity for the meeting in TRIESTE and they thought it would be more useful if the President of the Company visited ABRAZLI himself.

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H. ST.G. FRENCH,
Major, EMG,
Secretary,
Joint Economic Committee.

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APPENDIX B

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
XIII CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY.

26 APRIL 1946.

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE - MINUTES

58. The seventh meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee was held at 10.00 hours on the 26 APRIL 1946, in the Finance Division, HQ AMG 13 Corps, TRIESTE.

PRESENT:-

Chairman

Lt.Col. N.T. BEARD,
CFO, AMG 13 Corps.

Members

Ing. KOVACIC, M. }
Mr. URSICIC, F. } Jugoslavia.
Maj. BARISIC, M. }

59. EXCHANGE OF CURRENCY OF ITALY EMPLOYEES LEAVING ZONE B.

Lt.Col. BEARD enquired whether any solution to this question had been arrived at and the Jugoslavs replied that the matter would be solved when the Exchange Clearing Agreement is signed.

The Jugoslavs asked the Chairman to fix a date for the signing of this agreement.

60. BRITISH OWNED PROPERTY IN ZONE B.

Lt.Col. BEARD asked if permission could now be given for a representative of the British-owned Rawliffe Company in Zone B to visit the property.

Mr. URSICIC replied that a written request from AMG had been promised but had not yet been received.

Lt.Col. BEARD said that such a request had been sent and he would forward a copy of it.

61. CANCELLED DINARS

In reply to the Chairman, Ing. KOVACIC said they would like to know why the Bank of Italy required these cancelled dinars.

Lt.Col. BEARD said he would find out and let them know.

62. PENSIONS.

The Chairman said he had written to the Jugoslavs stating that AMG had been paying pensions to residents in Zone B for some time.

He forwarded a list of these pensioners to the Yugoslav Military Government and pointed out that they were now a Yugoslav responsibility.

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Lt.Col. BEARD asked if permission could now be given for a representative of the British-owned Baurite Company in Zone B to visit the property.

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Mr. URSICIC replied that the matter had been passed to the Finance Division of the Yugoslav Military Government, and he had no doubt that the question was now being dealt with.

63. CARGO OF WINE SEIZED BY THE JUGOSLAVS.

Lt.Col. BEARD said the Yugoslavs had seized four vessels, one of which carried a cargo of wine, value eight million lire. He was interested because of the Insurance Company who insured the cargo and he had sent a signal to the Yugoslav Military Government stating they would be held responsible for any financial loss due to deterioration of the wine.

Ing. KOVACIC: This signal was received and instructions were given to release the ship.

Lt.Col. BEARD stated he would confirm this with the Insurance authorities, and added that the unlawful seizure of ships was serious enough in itself, but the matter became even more serious when valuable and perishable cargoes were affected.

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64. MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

The Chairman passed a letter to the Jugoslavs containing various queries on financial matters and said he would appreciate a reply as quickly as possible.

65. DOCUMENTS BELONGING TO URSICIO CATASO FONDARIO.

Lt. Col. BEARD referred to a letter addressed to the Yugoslav Military Government requesting the return of some files belonging to the URSICIO Cataso Fondario which are at present located at ZIDUSSINA (Zone B). Could the Jugoslavs meet this request?

Ing. KOVACIC answered that the letter had been received and investigations are being made. It may take a little time to trace the documents but a reply would be given as soon as possible.

66. LABOURERS IN POLA.

Mr. URSICIC said that labourers who had been employed in POLA but are now dismissed, and are living in Zone B, are not receiving unemployment insurance benefits.

Lt. Col. BEARD enquired whose liability this matter was, and said he thought an agreement had been reached at a previous meeting.

The Jugoslavs replied that no agreement had been reached.

Lt. Col. BEARD said he would find out from the Insurance Company as he understood that these labourers contributed to insurance funds in POLA.

The Jugoslavs replied that this was the case.

67. EXCHANGE CLEARING AGREEMENT.

Mr. URSICIC asked if the Exchange Clearing Agreement could be signed at the Main Committee meeting on 3 N.Y.

Lt. Col. BEARD replied that he may be unable to attend this meeting, but he would fix a date for the signing as early as possible.

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R. ST. G. FRANCH,
Major, R.A.F.,
Secretary,
Joint Economic Committee.

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JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
ARMED MILITARY GOVERNMENT,
HEADQUARTERS, TRIESTE, ITALY.
XIII CORPS, TRIESTE, ITALY.

3 May 1946.

MINUTES

252. The thirteenth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee was held at 10.00 hours, on 3 MAY 1946, in the Main Conference Room at HQ AMG 13 Corps, TRIESTE.

PRESENT:Chairman

Brigadier G.E.R. BASTIN, OBE,
Brigadier i/c Admin. Rear 13 Corps.

Members

Colonel C.H. BARTLETT,
DD.TN., TRIESTE.

Lt.Col. N.J. ELUD
C.F.O., AMG 13 Corps.

Lt.Col. A.J. MILLER,
"Q" (Movements),
Rear 13 Corps.

Major K. COOPER,
Economics Division,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

Major J.E. FODEN,
Industry & Utilities,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

Lt.Col. LENAC, M,
Chief of Yugoslav Delegation.

Eng. KOVACIC, M,
Industry, Yugoslavia.

Eng. SIKOSK, D,
Electricity, Yugoslavia.

Mr. URSICIC, P,
Finance, Yugoslavia.

Mr. BARISIC, M,
Commerce, Yugoslavia.

Major BUELLS, S,
Transportation, Yugoslavia.

In Attendance:

Lt.Col. C.A.W. STEPHENS,
Chief Commerce Officer,
HQ AMG 13 Corps.

Lieut. T. M. LORR, RNVR,
SO. I.

Lieut. N.J. LISTEN,
Economics, HQ AMG 13 Corps.

253. BRITISH OWNED PROPERTY IN ZONE B.

Lt.Col. BLAND said that a second written request had been sent to the Yugoslavs asking if a representative of the Company might visit the property.

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DD.TN., TRIESTE.

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C.F.O., AMB 13 Corps.

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The Yugoslavs acknowledged having received the letter.

254. PRIVATE UNDERTAKINGS IN ZONE B.

With reference to Minute 248 of the twelfth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, Lt.Col. LENAC said that the minutes should be altered to read "temporary administrators had been appointed by the peoples' authorities (not the peoples' party) and that such administrators had not been appointed to all undertakings but only to those businesses whose owners were absent."

255. DEBTS.

Referring to the fourth paragraph of Minute 250 of the twelfth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, Lt.Col. LENAC said that the "blocking of money abroad" should read "blocking of money in Zone A and Italy",

Lt.Col. BEARD said he had no objection to this amendment.

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256. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

The minutes of the seventh meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee were received.

257. EXCHANGE OF CURRENCY OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES LEAVING ZONE B.

Mr. URSICIO said this question will be dealt with after the Exchange Clearing Agreement has been signed.

Lt.Col. BEARD said he would have a translation made of the Yugoslav text of the Agreement and it could come into force on the 15 MAY. He would fix an early date for the signing.

258. CANCELLED DINARS.

In reply to the Yugoslav enquiry as to why the Bank of Italy required these cancelled dinars, Lt.Col. BEARD said he would find out and let them know.

259. DOCUMENTS BELONGING TO UFFICIO CATASTO FONDARIO.

In reply to Lt.Col. BEARD, Lt.Col. LEMAO said they were making enquiries at AIDUSSINI and they will send a reply as soon as possible.

260. DOCUMENTS HELD IN ZONE A.

Lt.Col. LEMAO said that some valuable papers and documents belonging to the IDRIA and KOPAR districts are held by the Cassa di Risparmio in GORIZIA and he asked if the Yugoslavs could be given these documents.

Lt.Col. BEARD asked for details and said he would speak to the Cassa di Risparmio.

Lt.Col. LEMAO said he would hand over a list before the next meeting.

261. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AT OPICINA.

Colonel BARNETT enquired if confirmation could now be given that a damaged 2,000 KW Rectifier may be removed from RADIPUGLIA with a view to it's being repaired and put to use in Italy where it is urgently required.

Ing. SIKOSEK said they had already put forward a request for the removal of three generators and one transformer from OPICINA and they were informed that this question had been raised with the Co-ordinating Committee and that only one transformer was in question. He asked if further information could be given.

Colonel BARNETT said he was not discussing OPICINA; he was simply asking for the removal of a Rectifier from RADIPUGLIA. 493

The Yugoslavs said they agreed to it being removed providing it is returned.

Colonel BARNETT suggested it could either be returned, or compensation paid.

Lt.Col. LEMAO said it should be returned when the final settlement is made and the Chairman asked the Yugoslavs if they would agree to it being returned or suitable compensation being paid instead.

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Colonel BARNETT enquired if confirmation could now be given that a damaged 2,000 KW Rectifier may be removed from REDIPUGLIA with a view to it's being repaired and put to use in Italy where it is urgently required.

Ing. SIKOSEK said they had already put forward a request for the removal of three generators and one transformer from OFICINA and they were informed that this question had been raised with the Co-ordinating Committee and that only one transformer was in question. He asked if further information could be given.

Colonel BARNETT said he was not discussing OFICINA; he was simply asking for the removal of a Rectifier from REDIPUGLIA. 293

The Yugoslavs said they agreed to it being removed providing it is returned.

Colonel BARNETT suggested it could either be returned, or compensation paid.

Lt.Col. LENAC said it should be returned when the final settlement is made and the Chairman asked the Yugoslavs if they would agree either to it's being returned or suitable compensation being paid instead.

Lt.Col. LENAC said he understood the need for the rectifier but the question whether it would be returned or compensation paid is a matter for agreement at the final settlement.

The Chairman said he understood the Rectifier was out of order at present, but we would move it and make a suitable record of this fact.

Lt.Col. LENAC referred to the opening paragraph of Minute 239 of the twelfth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee. It has been proved that the Railway Co-ordinating Committee had refused authority for the removal of the generators and transformer and, therefore, the permission of the Yugoslav Delegation was withdrawn.

Col. BARNETT said a request had been received from ROME for the removal of a synchronous motor from OFICINA to RIFREDI in Italy. The movement was requested because without this motor it is difficult and dangerous to pass heavy voltage currents towards different parts of Italy and this affects the general power supply and both Zone A and Zone B suffer.

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Lt.Col. LEHQ said the Yugoslavs had raised the question in order to state that the transaction had been carried out in an irregular manner. According to the Morgan-Jovanovic Agreement, the Joint Economic Committee should have dealt with the matter.

The Chairman said that all further work is being held up pending a decision and that no further movement will take place without consulting the Yugoslavs.

The Yugoslavs remarked that one synchronous motor would not occupy six railway wagons, and Colonel BAKOFF stated there must be some misunderstanding as a synchronous motor and its equipment would easily occupy six wagons.

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Ing. SIKOSK then handed over a list showing particulars of the machines which had been moved.

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The Chairman said that, at present, only authorised Displaced Persons are allowed to enter Zone A. But that some unauthorised persons are arriving on trains. Obviously we must control the movement of unauthorised Displaced Persons but the difficulty lies in moving the unauthorised persons from the train and holding them under guard until they can return to Zone B. On many occasions these people have objected to being returned to Zone B and force has had to be used. It has been suggested that, in the case of a coach arriving with unauthorised persons on board, it should be detached and connected to the next train going to Zone B. This will cause a certain amount of hardship to bona-fide travellers. The difficulty could be overcome if all passengers' credentials could be checked before leaving Zone B.

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The Chairman agreed that turning back coaches would cause hardship to bona-fide travellers, and he suggested that passengers should be checked in the carriages before leaving Zone B.

Lt. Col. LEMJO repeated that if the Allies would return wanted persons who had already reached Zone A, such action would produce a strong moral effect. Failing this, he asked whether they might be prosecuted by Allied courts on evidence supplied by the Yugoslavs.

The Chairman replied it was beyond his competence to decide what steps should be taken against people who have already crossed into Zone A, but he would refer the question to 13 Corps. Meanwhile it might be necessary to turn coaches back to Zone B if large numbers of unauthorised persons are found attempting to cross the boundary line.

Lt. Col. LEMJO again protested against the hardship this action would cause to authorised travellers, and in reply the Chairman pointed out that if the Allied authorities attempted to sort out the passengers, the use of force would be needed, and this was the difficulty.

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Mr. MARISIO said that originals are entering Zone 4 and they would claim they left Zone 3 because they did not agree with the Government or were being persecuted. There should be some way to put these people in prison and hold them for trial.

Brigadier EASTON said he would take this point up with 13 Corps.

263. INDUSTRY & COMMERCE - DEFERMENT OF DISCUSSIONS.

Referring to Minute 219 of the twelfth meeting of the Joint Economic Committee, Lt. Col. LMAC said that lines 2 and 3 should read "The Yugoslav Delegates had not been allowed by the guards to enter the building and therefore the meeting was put back".

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The Chairman directed the amendment to be made.

Major COOPER said the position is exactly as stated in the minutes. The owner of the buses came from Zone B to operate in VENICE. This is a private enterprise and it is not our policy to dictate to the owners of private transport.

Lt.Col. LENAC said that in all parts of the world, not only in Zones A and B, private individuals who wish to run a bus service must get concessions. Gratoni escaped with eight buses and other vehicles, and with goodwill on the part of MG he could be forced to return.

Major COOPER replied that the question is one of private property and these buses are no different from any other commercial enterprise.

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270. MACHINERY EXPORTED FROM THE COTTON MILL AT POPE.

Major COOPER said he had made enquiries and had received an answer that three pieces of machinery went to ITALY, but were replaced by three newer and more modern machines to do the same work, with the object of increasing production. The mill is now operating more efficiently and has more modern machinery than before. He agreed that under the terms of the Morgan-Jovanovic agreement machinery should not be moved from VENEZIA GIULIA, but nothing is said about bringing new machinery in. Therefore, he took the attitude that the agreement had not been violated, since the old machinery had been replaced by the new.

The Jugoslavs asked for lists of the machines imported and those which had been removed, and a guarantee that the new machines replaced the old ones. They also requested details concerning which machines are replacing which.

Major COOPER agreed to forward all particulars.

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Lt.Col. BEARD asked to whom the ships belonged, and Lt.Col. LEMAC replied that according to their information, FIUME HARBOUR, but they thought, to individuals, possibly displaced persons. The fact remained that they were registered in FIUME HARBOUR and no permission had been given for the registration to be changed. ALG should take steps to ensure that International Law is not violated.

Mr EKRISIC said that according to maritime law, ships cannot alter their registration to a different port without permission from competent authorities. A ship is part of the country in which it is registered, it sails under the flag of that country and if the Owner wishes to change the nationality of the ship, he must do so through the competent authorities. Both the ZVIR and the LABOR are registered in FIUME and are a part of that territory, therefore they cannot register in another harbour without permission from the FIUME authorities.

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If this law is violated the harbour authorities concerned can take legal action against the transgressors. In this case the FIUME port authorities were informed that these ships violated International Law still further, and therefore we propose that the allies should find a better solution to the matter than legal action by the harbour authorities.

The Chairman said it would be better to bring the matter to court, and the legal owners to meet and decide what they want to do. He had no control over them.

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At the request of Lt.Col. LEMIC it was agreed to record in the minutes that "The Anglo-American Delegation suggests that the Owners should meet in order to decide what should be done with the ships. At the same time the Anglo-American Delegates do not consider they are empowered to take action to return the ships to their ports of registration."

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Major COOPER said that steps have been taken to secure additional personnel to man the control posts and that everything possible is being done.

The Yugoslavs requested the matter to be speeded up as much as possible.

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Referring to a special meeting held on 1 April 46 (Appx B) Lt.Col. STELLA'S permit is issued on the basis of the certificate of origin issued by the Chambers of Commerce of ITALY. With reference to minute 4 of the meeting, it was agreed in future to use the term "certificate of origin," instead of "export licence."

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275. EXPORT OF GOODS INTO ZONE A FROM ZONE B.

In reply to Ing. KOVACIC, Major COOPER said General Order No.45 could be amended to create a system of licensing food imports into Zone A provided the Jugoslavs on their part are prepared to issue the necessary export licences.

Ing. KOVACIC said the Jugoslavs were already issuing such licences.

276. AREA COM.

With reference to minute No.4 of the special meeting held on 1 April 46, Ing. KOVACIC said the Jugoslavs had never promised to supply a plan of the AREA mine's production, and she requested that the minute be amended.

277. AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES.

At the Chairman's suggestion it was agreed in future that the amending of minutes should be carried out before the main meeting.

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278. POSTAL FACILITIES FOR JUGOSLAVIA IN ZONE A.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said he sent Mr. LENASSI to AMG with a note requesting the authorities to allow him to work in TRIESTE, in order to deal with the parcels which arrive by post for JUGOSLAVIA from AMERICA. As this is a huge task he should reside in TRIESTE.

The reasons for his presence are:-

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2. To contact the Yugoslav Post Office about arrivals.
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Major COOPER asked if the registration book belonging to the seized motor car could be returned to the owner, and Lt. Col. LEMAC said he would take the necessary steps, and he believed the book would soon be returned.

Major COOPER said the owner was claiming damages and he would pass a copy of the claim to the Yugoslavs after the meeting.

Lt. Col. LEMAC promised to forward it to the proper quarters.

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281. ROMAN OIL REFINERY AT FIUME.

Major COOPER said we had asked the Yugoslav to ensure that the dismissed employees receive full legal compensation.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said he considered this matter an internal affair of the Yugoslav Military Government, but they would make further investigations if desired. Since it was entirely a Zone B affair he thought it unnecessary to give the information; in the same way, similar information regarding workers in Zone A would not be required by him.

282. REMOVAL OF INDUSTRIAL PLANT FROM ZONE A.

Lt.Col. LEMAC said that according to minute 169 of the twelfth meeting of the Industry & Commerce Sub-Committee the Yugoslavs had requested the Allies to issue a general order controlling the removal of industrial plant. The Yugoslavs had not asked for such an order - they did ask that control on the Morgan Line should be fortified. He requested that the minute be amended accordingly.

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Lt-Col. LEMLO thanked the Chairman for his promise of intervention.

286. CONSORZIO PER LA BONIFICA DELL'ISTRIA.

Lieut. LISTER said the President of the Company had asked if he might be accompanied to TRIESTE by an ING officer.

It was agreed that Lieut LISTER should accompany the President, and the date of the visit was tentatively fixed for 8 MAY 46.

287. REMOVAL OF COOPER TO LUBLINA.

The Chairman read out a letter from the Italian Government (Appx.C) stating that 12,400 kgs of copper had been removed to LUBLINA by the Jugoslavs on 21 AUG 45.

Lt-Col. LEMLO promised to make enquiries.

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288. JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE -- AGREEMENT OF MINUTES.

Colonel BATTEN said that at the last meeting of the Joint Operating Committee, held on 16 APRIL, it was agreed that the minutes of the meeting would be checked and agreed by the 18th. These minutes have not yet been agreed by the Yugoslav representatives and the work of the Committee is being held up.

Major BULLIS replied it was owing to the fact that the Jugoslavs had no interpreter, but they would have one for the next meeting.

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Finance Sub-Committee	-	1 JUNE 1946 at 1000 hours.
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MINUTES OF JOINT ANGLO-AMERICAN-JUGOSLAV

FORESTRY MEETING.

5 APRIL 1946.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Anglo-American:

Major KENNETH COOPER - Chairman
Lt. Col. N.T. BEARD - ANG Finance
Major H. ST C. FRENCH - J.E.C.
Captain LESTER WEIL - ANG Agric.

Jugoslav

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C) All funds have been accounted for and are held in trust by the Intendenza di Finanza.

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5. The Yugoslav delegation made two proposals:-

- A) That a joint commission of Allied Military Government and Yugoslav Military Government be set up at once to solve the question of operation of the Forestry Office and its closing.
- B) That a delegate from Yugoslav Military Government be appointed to help in sorting out documents and plans at the forestal offices in Trieste and Gorizia, in order that the Yugoslav Military Government could make full use of the archives and forestal plans in possession of these offices.

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APPENDIX B

HEADQUARTERS
ARMED MILITARY GOV REGIMENT
13 CORPS
Economic Section

Notes on a meeting held in Economic Section on 1 April 46 between
Economic Section and the Commerce and Industry Members of the
Jugoslav Delegation to the Joint Economic Committee.

PRESENT:

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Major COOPER also agreed that goods originating in Zone A will not require "certificate of origin", that only the export licence will be issued.

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Major COOPER promised to investigate this possibility and let the Yugoslav Delegates have an answer between meetings.

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4. Arco Coal:- The Yugoslav Delegates asked, in view of the fact that cargoes of Arco coal had been seized in Italy by the authorities, if they could be given a full picture of our attitude in this matter.
- Major J. B. B. B. B. said that the present difficulties had arisen because Yugoslav coal was not a member of the World Coal Pool, owing to the fact that she had, for some reason or other, not become a signatory to the agreement.
- He was anxious (this was confirmed by Major Cooper) to buy all the coal the Yugoslavs could sell us from the Arco Mines.
- If the Yugoslav Delegates would let us have a plan, saying what their surplus coal would amount to over the next few months we would go right ahead with the purchase of it.
- The Yugoslav Delegates promised to supply this information and stated that all such business would of course be dealt with by their Commercial concern, CELTOPROM. They would also quote price etc. and give details of any mining equipment they might require.

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KEITH COOPER
MAJOR F.M.
DEPUTY CHIEF ECONOMIC SECTION.

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ROADS FOR TRAFFIC BETWEEN ZONES "A" and "B"

LOCAL ROADS

1. Trento - Bovec
2. Tolmino - Udine - Gorizia
3. Santa Lucia - Gorizia
4. Gragar - Gorizia
5. Tarnova - Gorizia
6. Aidussina - Gorizia
7. Rifamberg - Potos - Aidussina
8. Stanjel - Vipacco.
9. Trieste - Postumia
10. Divaccia - Lokve - Trieste
11. Empelle - Trieste
12. Koper - Milje.

LOCAL ROADS

13. K.1 - Avco - Canale
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15. S. Daniele - Sauria
16. Cobdil - Roddraga - Vipacco
17. Storie - S. Vito.
18. Sesana - Divaccia
19. Buzet - Cornical - Milje
20. Scenpas - Vograko 482

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7. Trieste - Trieste
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LOCAL ROADS

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Commerce Division
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Food Division
Transportation Division
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Ministero degli Affari Esteri.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION.

Subject: Removal of copper to Lubiana.

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2. As requested, the following details are herewith furnished :-
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

23 April 1946

Refer to: T.92.194.CS

SUBJECT: Telegraph Service Venezia Giulia.

TO : British Embassy, Rome.

U.S. Embassy, Rome.

1. The attached letter (marked 1) was received in January by Admiral Stone from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (signed by the Prime Minister). A reminder has since been received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

2. Direct communication has been established between Yugoslavia, Zone B, Zone A, and Italy. The point now at issue concerns the charges for telegrams between Italian administered Italy and Zone B Venezia Giulia (Jugoslav administered).

3. The Yugoslav Govt. wishes to charge at the rates fixed for foreign telegrams between Yugoslavia and Italy. As Zone B is still Italian territory, the rates should be those for wholly internal Italian traffic. There are very considerable differences between the foreign and inland rates.

4. Letter n°.2 attached was sent by this HQ to the Yugoslav delegation but no reply has been received. A reminder has recently been sent.

5. The service has not been started, owing to the rates question.

6. You may wish to consider giving some assistance to the Italian Government by raising the matter with the Yugoslavs.

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Brigadier

Acting Chief Commissioner.

Enclosures: Letters 1, 2.

IL MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI.

rough translation

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Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

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ROME

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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APO 394

T. 92.200 CS.

23 April 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

With reference to your letter of 4 January from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to Admiral Stone regarding telegraph service between Zone B Venezia Giulia and the rest of Italy, service is now open between Zones A and B with direct connections, at rates comparable to Italian inland rates.

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Accordingly an endeavour is being made to have the matter raised with the Yugoslav Government by the American and British Embassies.

Yours very truly,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

Dott. Alcide De Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government.
ROME

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Communications Sub-Commission HTOM/ec

MEMO FOR THE ACTING CHIEF
COMMISSIONER

23 April 1946

1. Attached is a resume of a case started by the Italian Prime Minister.

2. It is requested that the ~~attached~~ letters *opposite* to the Prime Minister and to the two Embassies be signed by the Acting Chief Commissioner.

H. H. Scudder
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Col. Sig. C.
Director.

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Comm. Sub Com. please check that the Embassies
(as opposed to AFMA) are the correct channel
for representations.

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Director. Comm. Sec.

Letters signed, returned to you for
despatch. Note that letter to P.M. requires
a reference. H.S. 24/14

CASE OF ZONE B - ITALY TELEGRAPH RATESRESUME OF CASE

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Allied Commission
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MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

Roma, Gennaio 1946

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Caro Ammiraglio,

Dall'Unione Internazionale delle Telecomunicazioni in Berna è stato fatto conoscere che l'Amministrazione telegrafica jugoslava intende sottoporre lo scambio dei telegrammi fra le località della Venezia Giulia occupate dalle Forze armate Jugoslave ed il rimanente territorio italiano alle stesse tasse ed alle stesse condizioni vigenti per i telegrammi scambiati fra l'Italia e la Jugoslavia.

Per il servizio telegrafico fra l'Italia e la Jugoslavia ripristinato il 6 dicembre U.S., il traffico viene istradato via Londra e Belgrado.

In merito a quanto precede vorrei attirare la Sua cortese attenzione sul fatto che, a quanto risulta, possibilità tecniche per il ripristino di comunicazioni telegrafiche dirette tra la zona A e la zona B esistono, e che, ai sensi anche dei noti accordi firmati a Belgrado non sembra che da parte italiana si possa accettare l'imposizione di un onere del tutto ingiustificato per i cittadini di una zona che fa tuttora parte del territorio nazionale che desiderino comunicare telegraficamente con la zona A o con il rimanente territorio italiano.

Confido che Ella vorrà esaminare con benevolo interesse le considerazioni di cui sopra, in vista di accertamenti sull'opportunità di promuovere attraverso accordi fra gli Organi competenti lo stabilimento di comunicazioni telegrafiche dirette fra la Zona B della Venezia Giulia ed il restante territorio italiano.

DE GASPERI

Ammiraglio Ellery W. Stone Usnr.
Commissario Capo Commissione Alleata
ROMA

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F.222.11.CS

22 January 1946

SUBJECT: Telegraph Service - Venezia Giulia.

TO : Mr. Niko Jaksa,
Secretary of the Yugoslav Delegation
Advisory Council for Italy.

1. It is understood that your Government intends to submit the exchange of telegrams between the zone of Venezia Giulia (Zone B) administered by your Armed Forces and the territory administered by AMG, Italy or by the Italian Government, to the same rates and conditions as regulate telegrams at present between Yugoslavia and Italy.

2. This is understandable with the present circuitous routing of telegraph traffic from Yugoslavia to Italy via London.

3. It would be easily possible however to provide direct links between your Zone and the AMG Zone or Venezia Giulia, thus greatly cheapening costs by the provision of a direct service.

4. It would therefore be very much appreciated if your Government would make a concession to the inhabitants of Venezia Giulia by the provision of direct links, and by a consequent reduction in charges between your zone and AMG and Italian administered territory to the level of those about to be introduced between the AMG Zone of Venezia Giulia and Italian administered territory.

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5. It is felt by the A.N.G. Telecomms Officer in Venezia Giulia that your Governments efficient representatives in Venezia Giulia would have no difficulty in making such rates profitable on a direct service.

6. Samples of the proposed rates are given below. A full schedule will be sent to you if you decide to utilize these rates.

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of eight words 2 lire per word
- (b) Urgent private telegrams
with a minimum of
eight words 6 lire per word.

H.H. SCUDDER,
Col. Sig. C.
Director.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner.

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T.92.199.^ACS

24 April 1946

SUBJECT: Trip to Venezia Giulia

TO : AMG XIII Corps.
Att: Major Hayward.

1. It is my intention to make a trip to Trieste on or about May 2, 1946 and I would appreciate your requesting necessary authority from AMG for me and my Italian civilian driver, ANGELO BINARELLI.

H.H. SCUDDER,
Col. Sig. C.
Director.

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 29/VG/609
 Date/Time of Origin: APRIL 151500B

Message Centre No: H/2062
 Date Time Rec'd: ~~APRIL 151500B~~
 APRIL 160945
 Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: HAYWARD HQ AMB 13 CORPS
 TO : ALCOM CITE ACCOM

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CONFIDENTIAL:

Herewith information obtained Unofficial sources but believed authentic.
 Zone B to Zone A 3 Lire per word and urgent 6 Lire per word minimum 10 words.
 Zone B to Italy 16 Lire per word and urgent 32 lire per word with no minimum
 but under 10 words a charge is made of 1 more word. That is for a text of 6
 words the charge is for 7 words.

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INFO - CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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Chief of Staff	
Chief of Police	
Chief of Coms	
Asst Chief of Coms	
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T. 92-197
F. 222.51/CS

20th April 1946

Subject: Telegraph Service - Venezia Giulia.

To : Mr. Niko Jaksa,
Secretary of the Yugoslav Delegation
Advisory Council for Italy.

Reference this Sub-Commission Memo No. F. 222.11/CS
of 22nd January (copy attached).

1. Would you kindly say whether, in regard to para. 4
of the attached Memo it has yet been possible to fix the charges
between Zone B and Italian administered territory at the same
rates as those between Zone A and Italian administered territory
as suggested in the Memo. An early reply that this can be
arranged would be much appreciated.

H. H. SOUDIER
Colonel, Sig. C.
Director.

Enc. :
Copy of letter of 22nd January.

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F.222.11/CS

22nd January 1946

Subject: Telegraph Service - Venezia Giulia.

To : Mr. Niko Jaksa,
Secretary of the Yugoslav Delegation
Advisory Council for Italy.

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2. This is understandable with the present circuitous routing of telegraph traffic from Yugoslavia to Italy via London.
3. It would be easily possible however to provide direct links between your Zone and the AMG Zone of Venezia Giulia, thus greatly cheapening costs by the provision of a direct service.
4. It would therefore be very much appreciated if your Government would make a concession to the inhabitants of Venezia Giulia by the provision of direct links, and by a consequent reduction in charges between your zone and AMG and Italian administered territory to the level of those about to be introduced between the AMG Zone of Venezia Giulia and Italian administered territory.
5. It is felt by the AMG Telecomms Officer in Venezia Giulia that your Governments efficient representatives in Venezia Giulia would have no difficulty in making such rates profitable on a direct service.
6. Samples of the proposed rates are given below. A full schedule will be sent to you if you decide to utilize these rates.
 - (a) Ordinary private telegrams with a minimum of eight words 2 Lire per word
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Copy to: Chief Commissioner.

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

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F. 222-56-05

19 April 1946

SUBJECT: Telegraph Service with Venezia Giulia.

TO : Under-Secretary of State for PP. and TT.

1. With reference to your letter No. S/8.4/50409 of 8 April 1946, the matter was raised some time ago with the Yugoslav delegation from whom a reply has not yet been received.

2. A reminder has now been sent pressing for a reply. In addition, immediate consideration is being given to raising the matter through the Embassies.

3. As regards the telegram referred to at the end of your letter, no break in general service was contemplated, but merely the cessation of the reply paid facility, and it is understood you appreciated this just after sending the letter.

H.H. SCUDDER
Col. Sig. C.
Director

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file in T92CAL AIRGRAM 45COMMENTS ON SUBSTITUTE ITEMS

Item 1: Was 1A812.11 - Wire, bronze, 12 BWC
and is 1A153 - Wire, copperweld, .080" dia.

Considered unsuitable owing to high comparative transmission loss.

Item 7: Was 6Q8794 - apparently wrong code.
and is 6Q8792 - correct code and therefore suitable.

Item 8: Was 1C416 - Cable, L.C., telephone, 22AWG cond.,
40 pairs. and is 1C417 - As above but 50 pairs. Suitable.

Item 9: Was 1C407.1 - Cable, L.C., telephone, 19AWG cond.,
50 pairs. and is 1C417 - As above but 22 AWG cond.
Considered suitable.

Item 11: Was 1C418 - Cable, L.C., telephone, 22AWG cond.,
75 pairs and is 1C419 - As above but 100 pairs. Suitable.

Item 14: Was 1C822.10-2.1.- { Similar. Alternative suitable.
and is 1C822.10-2.- {

Item 15: Was 1C822.16- Cable 1C, 16 pairs,
and is 1C412 - Cable, underground, 15 pairs. This would ap-
pear to be a suitable substitute for 1C822.16, but the
latter seems to be wrong since a switchboard type was
intended.

Suitable type would be British 20 pair cable if
available lead covered, or else 1C822.25-2.

Item 16: Was 1C822.21-1 - Seems to be wrong code.
and is 1C822.25.2 - Suitable. Meets original specification.

Item 20: Was 1A812.11 - { As in item 1. Unsuitable alternative.
and is 1A153 - {

Item 21: Was 1A813 - Wire, steel, 13AWG.
and is 1A145 - " " 12BWC Suitable alternative

Item 26: Was ID374.1 - Cable, Subterranean, telephone, L.C.,
150 pairs, 22 AWG, double armoured.
and is ID374.3 - As above but apparently no armour - only
jute. Unsuitable.

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Item 27: Was 5B9320.1 - Bridle ring 1 1/4" eye.
 and is 5B9320.1
 5B9326 - " " 1 5/8 Suitable substitute,
 but in fact want all
 bridle ring items
 cancelled, if possible.

Item 28: Was 5B9445.2 - Cable ring; 3 hook, 2", for 3/8" strand.
 and is 5B9456 - " " 2 1/2" cable " " "
 Suitable alternative.

Item 30: Was 5B9206 - Bridle ring 3/4" eye
 and is { 5B9210 " " 1 1/4" eye Not suitable substitut
 5B9206 All bridle rings
 items should be can-
 celled if possible.

Item 36: Was 1A816.11 - Wire, bare, solid, tin copper, 16 AWG
 and is 1A72 - " " " " " "
 Suitable alternative.

Item 43: Was 6N1620 - Cloth, cable wrapping, cotton, 24 x 18"
 and is 6N1620 " " " " 25 x 40"
 6N1621 " " " " " "
 Suitable alternative

Item 62: Was 3F1772.2 - Multimeter
 and is 3F4470-176 - Test Unit I-176 Suitable alternative.

Item 64: Was 1A808.3 - Wire bare black iron 8AWG
 and is 1A808.1 - " " " copperweld .128" dia.
 Suitable alternative for this
 quantity only i.e. not for
 future quantities.

Copies: AFHQ 65 (Maj. Jeffery)
 Econ Secn., Regn. Divn. (Lt. Arensberg)
 AMG Liaison, Venezia Giulia (Maj. Hayward)

} Com sent to each today
 20/4/46

Note re LAC AIRGRAM 42 of 25 Jan. 1946

Para 1 (a) 1A809.104 is not a suitable substitute for 1A812.11
 Transmission loss is too high. 461

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

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23 April 1946

Refer to: T.92.194.CS

SUBJECT: Telegraph Service Venezia Giulia

TO : British Embassy, Rome. U.S. Embassy, Rome.

1. The attached letter (marked 1) was received in January by Admiral Stone from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (signed by the Prime Minister). A reminder has since been received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

2. Direct communication has been established between Yugoslavia, Zone B, Zone A, and Italy. The point now at issue concerns the charges for telegrams between Italian administered Italy and Zone B Venezia Giulia (Yugoslav administered).

3. The Yugoslav Govt. wishes to charge at the rates fixed for foreign telegrams between Yugoslavia and Italy. As Zone B is still Italian territory, the rates should be those for wholly internal Italian traffic. There are very considerable differences between the foreign and inland rates.

4. Letter n°. 2 attached was sent by this HQ to the Yugoslav delegation but no reply has been received. A reminder has recently been sent.

5. The service has not been started, owing to the rates question.

6. You may wish to consider giving some assistance to the Italian Government by raising the matter with the Yugoslavs.

M. S. LUCH

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner.

Enclosures: Letters 1, 2.

IL MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

English translation

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Rome, January 4th 1946

Dear Admiral Stone,

The International Union of Telecommunications of Bern has informed the proper Italian Authorities that the Yugoslav Telegraph Administration intends to submit the exchange of telegrams between the Venezia Giulia zone occupied by the Yugoslav Armed Forces and the remaining Italian Territory to the same rates and conditions now regulating telegrams between Italy and Yugoslavia.

The telegraph traffic between Italy and Yugoslavia, which was reopened on December 6th, 1945, is routed via London-Belgrade. On the above subject I wish to draw your attention to the fact that, as it has been reported, there exists the possibility of technically re-establishing direct telegraph communications between zones "A" and "B". Therefore, in accordance also with the agreements signed in Belgrade, it does not seem possible on the part of Italy to accept the imposition of a thoroughly unjustified burden which would fall upon the citizens of a zone, which is still a part of the Italian National territory, wishing to communicate by telegraph with Zone "A" or with the rest of the Italian territory.

I trust you will give your earnest attention to the above considerations with a view to promoting - through proper agreements between the competent Authorities concerned - the reestablishment of direct telegraph communications between the Zone "B" of the Venezia Giulia and the remaining Italian territory.

Believe me, dear Admiral Stone,

Yours sincerely

Admiral Ellery W. STONE
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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F.222.11.CS

22 January 1946

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Secretary of the Yugoslav Delegation
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H.H.SCUDDER,
Col.Sig.C.
Director.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner.

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24 April 1946

T.92.193.CS

SUBJECT: Omnibus Stock Exchange Circuit.

TO : AC Liason, Lombardia
(Att: Maj. Holland)

1. Maj. Hayward reports that Trieste and Venezia civil are anxious to get their Stock Exchange circuit to Milan into operation.
2. Apparently a 4 sectors Bandot is working on a VF channel from Trieste to Milan on normal traffic and the intention is to use two of the sectors for the stock exchange connection as soon as a tail is through to Milan Borsa.
3. This has not been checked with the Italian Govt.
4. Please enquire locally whether this connection has been authorised for the Stock Exchange and if so what is the position as regards the Milan end.

H.H. SCUDDER,
Col. Sig. C.
Director.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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ROUTINE

HAYWARD HQ AME 13 CORPS
HQ ALCOM CITE ACCMN

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REFERENCE 2580 IOPOUNDS PER MILLE IS SUITABLE. NEW SUBJECT ITALIAN TELEGRAM TODAY
DATE REFERENCE NUMBER IOIILIO FROM DIRECTOR GENERAL AURINI(GENTEL 2) ORDERING
MILAN TO SEND 5 TELESTAMPANTI OLIVETTI TO TRIESTE. WE HAVE NOT MADE ANY REQUEST
FOR THESE ITEMS.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

TELEPHONE No.: 13C/AMG/TEL.187.

Date 18th April 1946.

REFERENCE No.:

SUBJECT: Stock Exchange circuit.

TO: The DIRECTOR
COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSION.

With ref. to T 92.181.

The circuit consists of a telegraph
V.F. channel taken from the 18 channel system working
on U/G pairs 313/513 which terminate at Mestre.
From there the channel is routed through to Milan.

The channel is at present working
4 Sectors Baudot passing normal traffic but two of
these sectors will be put through to Milan Borsa when
they are ready.

I have an idea, that the trouble
is in the Milan tails but cannot obtain anything
definite.

Director	
D/Director	<i>HoM</i>
Chief Telecomms	
Chief Postal	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Chief Clerk	

H.A. Hayward
H.A. HAYWARD, Major
TELECOMMS & POSTAL OFFICER
HQ AMG 13 CORPS.

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Date 23 APR 1946

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T.92.186.CS

15 April 1946

SUBJECT: Communication by Telephone Yugoslavia -
Zone A Venezia Giulia.

TO : Secretary, Yugoslav Delegation, AG.

Ref: Your Br 469/46 of 12 April.

1. It is found from Major Hayward that the above service was opened on March 5 and is still working.

2. He states however that there appears to be some difficulty on the Belgrade side of Zagreb. Calls are going to and from Zagreb but calls to Belgrade are not put through, nor are calls received from Belgrade.

3. Maj. Hayward has already telegraphed the Director at Lubiana requesting him to be good enough to clear up the matter with Belgrade.

H.H.SCUDDER,
Col.Sig.C.
Director.

FILE T92
HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
13 CORPS

TELEPHONE No. 13C/AMG/TEL.

REFERENCE No.

SUBJECT

TO

Personal.

The DIRECTOR
COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSIONR o m eDate 15th April 1946.

If the S.C.A.O. is in agreement I should like to spend a few days leave from 23th April - 26th April inclusive; this H.Q.N.A. are closed for Easter Monday. I can be in touch with my office by telephone daily during this period for anything requiring a decision.

It has been the S.C.A.O.'s policy to allow any officer a weeks leave and there are now not many left who have not taken the opportunity.

If you are not in agreement would it be possible to signal me to that effect as by the time you receive this application there will not be time for a return letter.

H.A. Hayward
H.A. HAYWARD, Major
TELECOMMS & POSTAL OFFICER
HQ AMG 13 CORPS.

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T.92.181.CS

12 April 1946

SUBJECT: Omnibus Stock Exchange cct.

TO : AMG Venezia Giulia (Att: Maj. Hayward)

Ref: Monthly report, March -- para 2c.

1. Please give following details.

- (a) Type of circuit (overhead or underground, telegraph or telephone).
- (b) If overhead, pole route used - Trieste-Venice-Milan (so far as information is available).
- (c) Owner of circuit (e.g. Circolo)
- (d) Owner of pole route.
- (e) How much of the circuit has been tested and F.O.K. recently.

H.H.SCUDDER,
Col.Sig.C.
Director

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