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REPORTS - WEEKLY SITREP

Dec. 1944 - AUG. 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/DPGR/lr

AC/172/51/Tn.1

22 August 1945

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep period 15 August - 20 August 1945.

P.D.G. BUCHANAN, Colonel,
A/Deputy Director

Tel. 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AM/DPGB/lr

AC/172/50/Tn.1

14 August 1945

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep period 7 August - 14 August 1945.

P. J. Auchan *Chief*

L. B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director

Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/DPGB/TS

Our Ref: 172/49/Tnl

7 August 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep period 31 July - 6 August 1945.

P. M. A. Aveland *Crawl*
for M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Tele: 300

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Our Ref: 172/48/Pal

4 August 1948

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Port & Warehouse Division
Spade Division

1. All Division Heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for the period 31 July - 6 August 1948 is due in the office of Chief, Administrative Division not later than 1000 hours, Tuesday, 7 August 1948.

2. All Returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

R. GIARDINO, T/4,
Chief Clerk.

Tele: 482

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

WPS/TC

Our Ref: 172/47/Tal

31 July 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep - period 24 - 30 July 1945.

HERBERT R. TAYLOR,
Director

R. Harding
T/4 R. HARDING

Tel. 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/88

Our Ref :- AC/172/46/Tn.1.

28 July 1945

SUBJECT :- Weekly Sitrep.

TO :- Movements Division
Ports & Warehouse Division
Roads Division.
Rail Division.

1. Weekly Sitrep for the period 24 - 30 July 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administrative Division not later than 1000 hours, Tuesday, 31 July 1945.

2. Nil returns are required.

For the Chief, Administrative Division :-

RG
R. GIARDINO
Sgt., C/Clerk

Tele: 482

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

MBT/kg

Our Ref: 172/45/Tnl

24 July 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep period 17 - 23 July 1945.

M.B.T.
M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Tel. : 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/ga

Our Ref :- 172/44/En.1.

23 July 1945

SUBJECT :- Weekly Sitrep

TO :- Movements Division
Ports & Warehouse Division
Roads Division
Rail Division.

1. Weekly sitrep for the period 17 - 23 July 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administrative Division not later than 1000 hours, Tuesday, 24 July 1945.

2. Nil returns are required.

For the Chief, Administrative Division:-

R. GIARDINO
Sgt., C/Clerk

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4. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep - period 10-17 July 1948.

W. B. Thomas, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Tels: 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/rg

Our Ref: 172/42/TM1

15 July 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO : Movements Division
Ports & Warehouse Division
Roads Division
Rail Division

1. Weekly Sitrep for the period 10 - 17 July 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administrative Division not later than 1000 hours, Tuesday, 18 July 1945.

2. Nil returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

R. GIARDINO,
Sgt., C/Clerk.

Tele: 402

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

WFS/rz

Our Ref: 172/41/Tnl

10 July 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - 3 - 10 July 1945.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The floating crane "Trieste" has arrived at Civitavecchia and work to lift wreck at Pier 8 will begin immediately. It is expected to have the work completed within one or two weeks.

2. Tiber River: Dredging has proceeded throughout the week at Sardinia Bend.

3. Genoa: Because of the presence of mines in the harbor, ships are discharging cargo over the benches.

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HAROLD H. TAYLOR,
Director.

Tele: 482

INTER OFFICE MEMO

W3/rz

Our Ref: 172/43/Tal

4 July 1943

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO : Movements Division
 Rail Division
 Post & Warehouse Division
 Road Division

1. Division heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for period 3 - 9 July 1943 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administrative Division not later than 1000 hours - Tuesday, 10 July 1943.

2. All returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

P. M. ROBIN, Sgt.,
 Chief Clerk.

Tale: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APT 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

MT/FG

Our Ref: 172/32/Enl

3 July 1945

Subject: Weekly Sitrep - 30 June - 2 July 1945.

To : Economic Section

1. The Port of Savona is operating under combined AC and Military control.
2. The opening of the tunnel at Genoa should considerably facilitate movement of civilian traffic along the east coast of Italy and enable economy to be made in road transport at present bridging the rail gap.
3. Tiber River: Removal of portion of barrage is completed and dredging is proceeding and expected to be completed by 15th July.
4. AC/AM Depot No. 2 (Forli) closed permanently as of 30 June 1945.

M.B.

M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director

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To: SAC

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

10/78

Our Ref: 172/05/Tol

1 July 1945

Subject: Weekly Report

To : Movements Division
 Mail Division
 Road Division
 Port & Warehouse Division

1. Division heads are reminded that the Weekly Report for the period 26 June - 2 July is due in the office of the Chief, Admin. Division not later than 1200 hours, Tuesday 3 July 1945.

2. All returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

[Signature]
 H. CLARKSON, Sgt.,
 Chief Clerk.

Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/MHT/rg

Our Ref: 172/37/Tal

26 June 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - 19-25 June 1945TO : Economic Section

1. The first Liberty ship with extra Mediterranean civil supplies now discharging at Genoa over the beach.
2. Naples warehouse situation has been relieved by heavy trans-shipments by water to Genoa and other places.
3. The Port of Genoa will be closed indefinitely to Liberty ships due to an explosion of a mine-sweeper which resulted in the loss of 51 lives.
4. Livestock, to lift which from Sardinia to the Mainland shipping was to be provided, was not forthcoming because of a dispute between the exporters in Sardinia and the importers in Rome over price.
5. Approximately 30,000 refugees have been moved from North to South during the past week.


BENNETT H. TAYLOR,
Director

Tele : 482

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/1A

Our ref.: AO/172/36/Tn 1

24 June 1945

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Road Division
Port & Whse Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for the period 19-25 June is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hrs, Tuesday 26 June.
2. Nil returns are required.

For the Chief, Admin. Division:

R. GIARDINO
Chief Clerk

Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/TE

Our Ref: 172/35/Tal

19 June 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO : Economic Section

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep - 12 - 18 June 1945.

M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director

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Tel. 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/gg

Our Ref :- 172/34/Fn.1.

17 June 1945

SUBJECT :- Weekly Sitrep

TO :- Movements Division
Road Division
Rail Division
Port Whse Division

1. Division heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for period 12-18 June 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administration Division not later than 1000 hours Tuesday 19 June 1945.

2. Nil returns are required.

For the Chief, Admin. Division:-

R. GIARDINO
Chief, Clerk

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Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

MBT/rg

13 June 1945

Our Ref: 172/33/Tnl

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO : Economic Section

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Weekly Sitrep - 5 to 11 June 1945.

H.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director

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Tele : 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

10 June 1945

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SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Road Division
Port & Whse Division

1. Division heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for the period 5-11 June is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hours Tuesday, 12 June 1945.

2. Nil returns are required.

R. Giardino
R. GIARDINO, Sgt
Chief Clerk

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

RG/eh

5 June 1945

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SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep for Week 29 May - 4 June 1945

TO : Economic Section

1. The total refugees and displaced persons moved by all means during May south of Forli - Florence - Leghorn was 71,794 persons, of which 15,076 moved by rail (16 trains) and 1,000 moved by sea during the last 7 days of May.

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director

Tel : 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RS/gn

Our Ref :- AC/172/30/Zn.1.

3 June 1945

SUBJECT :- Weekly Sitrep,

TO :- GOVERNMENT'S DIVISION
RAIL DIVISION
ROAD DIVISION
PORT & WAREHOUSE DIVISION

1. Division Heads are reminded that the sitrep for the period 29 May - 4 June 1945 is due in the office of the chief clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hrs. 5 June.

2. Nil returns are required.

R. Giardino
R. GIARDINO
Chief Clerk

Tele: 320

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RHT/rg

29 May 1945

Our Ref: 172/23/Tal

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report
for the Weekly Sitrep - 22 - 28 May 1945.

WBT
W.B. Thomas, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Tel :- 390

INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/ga

Our Ref

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28 May 1949

SUBJECT

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TO

1- Movements Division
Rail Division
Roads Division
Port & Warehouse Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for period 22 - 29 May 1949 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hours Tuesday - 22 May.

2.

Nil returns are required.

For the Director :-

WALTER P. SCOGGINS
Lt. Colonel GSC
Chief, Admin. Div.

Tele: 376

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

HA/ea

Our Ref: 172/27/Tnl

22 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report
for the week 15 - 21 May 1945.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

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Tele: 330

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

RG/rs

Our Ref: 172/26/Tal

20 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Roads Division
Port & Warehouse Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Weekly Sitrep for period 15 - 21 May 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hours Tuesday - 22 May.

2. All returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMIN. DIVISION:

R. GIARDINO, Sgt.,
Chief Clerk.

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Tele: 300

HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 834
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref: 172/25/Am1

15 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep - 8 - 14 May 1945

TO : Economic Section.

Shortage of wagons has necessitated the suspension
of civilian loadings in the Reggio-Calabria areas.



M. R. TINSLEY, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

Tele: 220

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref: 172/24/Tnl

13 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Movement Division
Fuel Division
Road Division
Port & Warehouse Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Sitrep for the week 8 - 14 May 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later Tuesday - 15 May 1945 at 1000 hours.

2. All returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMIN. DIVISION:

P. CLARK, Sgt.,
Chief Clerk.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

HC/rg

Our Ref: 172/23/Tul

10 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Economic Section.

The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing
to report for the Week 1 - 7 May 1945.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

W.J. SIEFF, Colonel,
Chief, Movements Division.

Tele : 390

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

Our ref.: AG/172/22/Tn 1

8 May 1948

SUBJECT : Weekly Citrep

TO : Movement Division
Rail Division
Road Division
Port & Wharves Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the citrep for the week 1-7 May is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Div. not later than 10.00 hrs., Tuesday, 8 May 1948.

2. Nil returns are required.

For the Chief, Admin. Div.,

R. CLARKE, Sgt.,
Chief Clerk.

Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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1 May 1945

Our Ref: 172/21/Tul.

Subject: Weekly Sitrep.

To : Economic Section.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the week 24 - 30 April 1945.

A.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

RG/vm

09 April 1948.

Our Ref : 173/20/TH.1

SUBJECT : Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Road Division
Port & Warehouse Division.

1. Division Heads are reminded that the SITREP for the week 24-30 April is due in the office of the chief clerk not later than 1000 hrs. on Tuesday 1 May 1948.

2. Nil returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMIN. DIVISION:

R. GIARDINO, Sgt.,
Chief Clerk, Admin. Div.

Tele: 330

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref: 172/13 /Tal

24 April 1943

Subject : Weekly Sitrep, 17 - 23 April 1943.

To : Economic Section, G. C.

1. Arrangements have now been made to hand over for operation by COMNAV ten ships flying the Italian flag. These ships are being allocated to regular coastwise liner sailings and, together with the schooners lifting civilian cargo, should be sufficient to meet the major part of the inter-island and Italian coastwise shipping programs. They are under the overall supervision of ANZUS.

2. Japanese and Berlin stockpiles have been increasing steadily in anticipation of demands to be made on their stocks with a change in the tactical situation.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

*Amflett*A. J. SLETT, Colonel,
Chief, Movements Division.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

RG/rs

22 April 1945

OUR Ref: 172/18/Tal

SUBJECT: Sitrep for week 17 - 23 April 1945.

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Road Division
Port & Warehouse Division

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Sitrep for the Week 17 - 23 April 1945 is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Administration Division, no later than 1000 hours, Tuesday, 24 April 1945.

2. All returns are required.

FOR THE CHIEF, ADMIN. DIVISION:

RH.
R. GLASSINO, Sgt.,
Chief Clerk, Admin. Div.

Tele: 390

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/rg

Our Ref: 172/17/Tnl.

17 April 1945

SUBJECT: Sitrep for Week 10 - 16 April 1945.

TO : Economic Section,
Headquarters Allied Commission.

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report for the Week 10 - 16 April 1945.



M.B. Thomas, Colonel,
Deputy Director .

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

RG/rg

Tele: 390

Ref: 172/16/Tol.

15 April 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitrep.

TO : Movements Division
Rail Division
Roads Division
Ports & Warehouse Division.

FROM : Administrative Division.

1. Division Heads are reminded that the Sitrep for the week 10 - 16 April is due in the office of the Chief Clerk, Admin. Division not later than 1000 hours Tuesday, 17 April.

2. Two or three lines are all that are required from each division, containing only material which is general in character and is likely to be of value to the CGAC in WASHINGTON, or a Nil return to be submitted.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

Walter H. Higgins
WALTER H. HIGGINS,
Lt. Colonel, USA,
Chief, Admin. Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub Commission

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10 April 1945.

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SUBJECT : Sitrep - Week 3 to 9 April, 1945

TO : Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission

The Transportation Sub-Commission has nothing to report
for the week 3 to 9 April 1945.

M. B. Thomas

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director

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27 April

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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4 April 1945

SUBJECT: Sitrep - Week 27 March to 2 April, 1945

TO : Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission

I. Rail:

Nil.

II. MOVEMENTS:

a. The balance of waggons in the Naples area is unfavorable, and the accepted rail program could not be met. AFMC hope that the position will be righted within seven days.

III. ROADS:

a. 376 x 1 1/2 ton trucks arrived LEGHORN.

b. ENAC hauled 39,000 tons 1-13 March, inclusive.

IV. PORT & WAREHOUSE:

a. Civitavecchia - Fiumicino Coal Services: During the week ending 31 March 1945, 8,000 tons of coal were delivered from Civitavecchia to Fiumicino.

for

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Tele: 390

27 March 1945

Our Ref: 172/13/Tnl

SUBJECT : Sitrep - Week 20 - 26 March 1945.

TO : Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission.

I. RAIL

Nil.

II. MOVEMENTS:

Nil.

III. ROADS:

(a) Chief of Division touring Abruzzi-Marche Region to organise increased grain movement.

(b) G.T. Coys in Abruzzi-Marche Region hauled 3640 tons grain, 898 tons sulphur and 894 tons A.M.G. Supplies, total 5432 tons in 10 days ending 20 March.

(c) 1st Truck Bn. operated 1680 truck days, hauling 5321 tons, 30245 miles in 10 days ending 20 March.

(d) 3944 tons hemp moved in Naples area by E.N.A.C. and U.T.C. in January and February 1945.

(e) 216 x 1½ ton trucks arrived Leghorn.

(f) Standard form of permit for issue of W.D. tyres for civilian use despatched to Regions.

IV. PORTS & WAREHOUSE:

(a) Schooners: Arrangements have been made to release additional schooners for the Civitavecchia-Fiumicino-San-Paolo-Tiber River coal service, thereby increasing deliveries to the coal market in Rome.

Sitrep - Week 20 - 26 March 1945 (cont'd)

(b) Leghorn Warehouse: Investigation of ALCOM depot pilferage by PBS cancelled because depots have been taken over by Italian organisation.

(c) Cesana: Plans progressing to open depot here on or about 2nd April 1945.


M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RG/TE

Tele: 390

20 March 1945

Our ref: 172/11/Tal

SUBJECT: Sitrep - Week 13 - 19 March 1945.

TO: Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission.

I. RAIL

Special perishable fruit train from Southern Italy to Rome conveying good tonnage and running well to time, eliminating previous high wastage figure.

II. MOVEMENTS

Nil.

III. ROADS

1. G.T. Coys in ABRUZZI-MARCHE moved 3204 tons of grain 1 - 10 March.

2. 386 x 1½ ton trucks arrived LEGHORN. To be railed to Rome for assembly.

IV. PORT & WAREHOUSE

Nil.

Chf
for M.B. THOMAS, Colonel.
Deputy Director.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 735

15 March 1945

Ref: 150/26/EC

SUBJECT: Weekly Sitreps.

TO : VP, Economic Section (11)
VP, Civil Affairs Section (10)
Dir, Communications Sub-Commission (1)
Dir, War Material Disposal (1)
& Italian PW Sub-Commission
Public Relations Officer. (1)

1. I have received a complaint from AFHQ that the material contained in the Weekly Sitrep is not satisfactory.
2. The purpose of this sitrep is to provide AFHQ with material to give a concise weekly national picture of conditions in ITALY for the Combined Civil Affairs Committee of the Combined Chiefs of Staff in WASHINGTON. I gain the impression that this is not appreciated and the object of this memorandum is to give directions which will ensure that the activities of this Commission are adequately reported.
3. Previously the basis of this sitrep has been reports from Regions, but since Sub-Commissions receive all regional information of importance from their specialist officers in the field I have decided to rely on HQ to provide this basis. Vice Presidents will give special attention to the provision of material for the sitrep. Two or three lines are all that are required from each Sub-Commission, containing only material which is general in character and is likely to be of value to the CCAC in WASHINGTON: commencing 21 March 1945 this information, or a nil return, to be submitted to this office not later than 1200 hours on Wednesday of each week.

Stallman
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Navy Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (LML)
Air Forces Sub-Commission

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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14 March 1945

SUBJECT : Sitrep for week 6th to 12th March.

TO : Economic Section.

1.

RAIL

Nil.

2.

MOVEMENTSa. Shipping

i. The "Lagnano" made its first journey as a livestock ferry from Sardinia to Civitavecchia.

ii. The M.V. "Dina" sailed from Civitavecchia to the Rome Gas Works with coal.

iii. The export of pyrites via Piombino and Civitavecchia to Sardinia commenced.

b. Rail

iv. The wagon supply in Sicily is improving.

v. The tonnage lifted by rail to the Italian Mainland, Sicily and Sardinia in the month of February was approximately 375,000 tons. This is an improvement of 60,000 tons over the estimate.

vi. The number of wagons under load with coal in Rome continues to be excessive; unless the rate of unloading wagons improves it will be necessary to reduce the quantities of coal brought by rail to Rome.

c. Roads

vii. Two platoons of 1000 G.I.T. Company are lifting an average of 80 tons per day from Ancona to Forlì to supplement the present inadequate rail allocation.

3.

ROAD

a. Operations Branch took over operations duties

1. RAIL

Nil.

2. MOVEMENTS

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3. ROAD

a. Operations Branch took over operations duties from Roads Branch, Movements Division.

b. Steps taken to increase tonnage of inter provincial grain movement in Abruzzi Marche Region. 3341 tons moved to date.

c. 5270 tons grain hauled from Ancona, Pesaro and Macerata to R.H. for shipment to Rome in February.

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d. 1 Truck Bn operated 5349 truck days and lifted 17,459 tons in February.

4. PORTS AND WAREHOUSE

a. Rome coal service: The motor Schooner "Dina" carried 695 tons of coal from Civitavecchia to Fiumicino, for the week ending 10 March. On the last voyage this schooner was lightened at Fiumicino and 115 tons were brought up the Tiber to Rome and discharged at the Electrical Plant.

b. Port of Civitavecchia: The last of the twenty (20) Minoa Barges have been received at this Port. Eight have been sheathed and N.O.I.C. has contracted to have the balance sheathed locally. This work is now in hand.

c. Warehouse Section: No important changes since previous SITREP.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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20 February 1945

SUBJECT: Sitrep for week 12 - 19 February 1945

TO : Economic Section

I. RAIL

1. During the past week a second meeting of the Allied Railway Board took place, when the minutes of its five subsidiary working committees were reviewed.

2. The shortage of freight cars in Reggio and Sicily is still serious, but it has been partly met by the introduction of two daily empty trains from Rome and Naples areas.

II. MOVEMENTS

1. Roads

a. Two platoons of 1000 G.I. Company have now moved from Livorno to Polenza in the R.F. area. They are now engaged in stock piling grain supplies at Ancona and lifting additional quantities of grain to railroad.

b. The road from the sulphur mine at Perticara to railroad at Rimini is now open. As soon as ANIC will grant rail capacity half the sulphur will be lifted from this mine and the quantity lifted from the Carbonara mine to Montecarotto will be reduced accordingly. This will considerably shorten the road turn round, and enable vehicles to be free for higher priority work.

2. Rail

a. 28 oiled vehicles were dispatched from the Naples area to Rome by rail on 16 February in order to enable experiments in traction to be carried out.

3. Shipping

a. JMDRO have allocated "Legnano" as a ferry ship to lift live stock from Sardinia to the mainland. It is estimated that this ship will carry 250 head of cattle and 500 sheep at a time. The ship is now being converted for the carriage of live stock and should be ready within a month.

III. ROAD

1. Information received that 2100 Italians are available to be formed into highway transport companies.

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2. The shortage of freight cars in Reggio and Sicily is still serious, but it has been partly met by the introduction of two daily empty trains from Rome and Naples areas.

II. MOVEMENTS

1. Roads

a. Two platoons of 1000 G.T. Company have now moved from Livorno to Bolzano in the N.E. area. They are now engaged in stock piling grain supplies at Ancona and lifting additional quantities of grain to railhead.

b. The road from the sulphur mine at Porticore to railhead at Rimini is now open. As soon as AMPO will grant rail capacity half the sulphur will be lifted from this mine and the quantity lifted from the sulphur mine to Montecarotto will be reduced accordingly. This will considerably shorten the road turn round, and enable vehicles to be free for higher priority work.

2. Rail

a. 28 cased vehicles were dispatched from the Naples area to Rome by rail on 16 February in order to enable experiments in oration to be carried out.

3. Shipping

a. AMPO have allocated "Legnano" as a ferry ship to lift live stock from Sardinia to the mainland. It is estimated that this ship will carry 250 head of cattle and 500 sheep at a time. The ship is now being converted for the carriage of live stock and should be ready within a month.

III. ROAD

1. Information received that 2100 Italians are available to be forced into highway transport companies.

2. During the week a number of trips were necessary in the search for available facilities to house troops. The Abruzzi Barracks at Civitavecchia was selected and when improved will house in excess of one thousand men.

3. Advice was received from MUGRA that 24 US officers and 170 US soldiers will be provided soon.

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4. Plans were considered for establishing a school for auto mechanics.
5. Cadres for four ITI companies received from PAS. Other cadres to arrive at weekly intervals.
6. Plans laid for 8th Company to move to Florence before 25 February and 7th Company to move to Civitavecchia on or about 20 February. Rear detachment of 1st Company will move to Leghorn before 25 February.
7. Two plants were inspected with view toward incorporating them in future plans for assembly of vehicles being shipped to Italy.
8. The Ilva steel works in Pimmino will be available for receiving shipments and is to be further investigated as to assembly possibilities when proper equipment is obtainable.
9. The I.C.K.R. plant, near Lake Bracciano, was checked and has shops, personnel and orange which can be used to supplement assembly operations if necessary.

IV. PORT & WAREHOUSE

1. Freight: MEDCO controlled vessels and COMEVA controlled schooners now operating on approved Allied Commission tariff rates. These new rates became effective 11 February 1945. COMEVA authorized to adjust rates applied by MEDCO between 12 December 1944 and 11 February 1945.
2. Petrol, Oil and Lubricants: A number of COMEVA schooners have been laid up due to lack of fuel. A supplementary quantity of POL has been issued pending satisfactory distribution agreement through C.I.P.
3. Fiumicino-Rome Canal: The following craft have been allocated to this service:

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BARGES - 6 (Total 400 tons)
4. Coal - Gaeta-Fiumicino/Rome: This venture will be an entire Italian operation.
5. Punta d'Ostia: Arrangements have been made for COMEVA to advance funds to cover repairs.
6. Warehouse Section:

Leghorn: Another warehouse has been closed, as receipts fell off while shipments have increased.

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b. Other additional space acquired but without roofs. Efforts are being made to secure roofing.

Rapallo: Federazione Italiana dei Consorzi Agrari has arranged to place 10 of their personnel in ALCOA warehouses to prepare for the "turn-over" to them as of 1 March.

Forli: a. Space requirements are being pursued through proper channels.

b. Planned rail lift from Ancone to Forli has not been obtained because of circumstances beyond control. Situation is being pursued.

ROBERT H. TAYLOR
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION AM/Lr
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

7 March 1945

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SUBJECT : Sitrep for week 27 February - 3 March, 1945.

TO : Economic Section.

I. RAIL

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2. New through passenger service Rome - Calabria commenced 5 March 1945, travelling on alternate days via Cassino and Formia. New through perishable freight trains Calabria - Rome commenced 5 March 1945.

II. MOVEMENTS

1. Shipping

- a. Movement of coal by sea from Naples to Fiumicino commenced on the 28th February. As soon as the depth of the river permits vessels will sail from Civitavecchia to Rome.
- b. The conversion of the "Lagnano" for carrying livestock was completed on the 25th February. This vessel will operate on a ferry from Cagliari to Civitavecchia until such time as foot and mouth disease ends in the Olbia region, then this vessel will operate on the Olbia-Civitavecchia ferry, as requested by the Italian Government.

2. Rail

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3. Road

- a. 1000 G.F. Coy completed its move from West coast to the East coast. The move of this Company enabled 60 vehicles to be allocated for lifting supply stockpile from Ancona to Perli. The rail tonnage available for the 8th Army for movement of civil supplies is inadequate.

III.

ROAD

1. Mr. G.G. Gross took over Roads Section 2 March from Col. Carnes.
2. Arrangements to handover I.M.F. Sicily to Italian Government proceeding satisfactory.
3. 200 Italian Army drivers for new G.I. Coys complete training at Trani 6 March and to be attached British G.I. Coys for further 1 month's training.
4. No. 8 L.M.G. Truck Pool activated in Pescara - Urbino province, Abruzzi - Marche region 3 March 1945. No. 7 AMG Truck Pool changed location Pano to Ancona.

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PORT AND WAREHOUSE

1. Forre Annunziata: The unloading of grain and other cargo along with expediting the Sardinian Ferry Service, has been given special attention by Mr. S.P. France, Port Liaison Officer.
2. COSENZA - P.O.L.: Lack of fuel has caused serious delay in schooner traffic. Investigation shows allocation was cut to approximately one fifth of COSENZA's monthly requirement. On the 3rd of March a meeting was called to discuss this matter with representatives of the Commerce Sub-Commission, Ports and Warehouse Division, Italian Government and C.I.P. It was suggested C.I.P. be allotted a quantity of fuel for distribution at various ports and that the actual allotment per schooner be entrusted to the Schooner Control Sub-Committee. The Schooner Sub-Committee is the only party who is in a position to know from day to day the position of the vessels. The suggestion is being put before the Petrol Section of AFHQ by Commerce Sub-Commission.
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6. Forli: Arrangements completed to move about 170 T.E.D. by rail and road from Ancona to Forli. Forli situation, altho good at present, will be difficult when present warehouse accommodation is filled, as additional space is not available.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Transportation Sub-Commission

28 February 1945

172/8/tn.1

SUBJECT : Sitrep for week 20-26 Feb. 1945.

TO : Economic Section.

I. RAIL.

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II. MOVEMENTS.Shipping.

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Rail.

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3. A passenger and freight service, which will run thrice weekly between Rome and Capranica, will commence on 5th March.
4. The quantity of coal and lignite moving to Rome is steadily increasing, and the stocks are rising. At the same time number of wagons under load with fuel in Rome now exceeds 130. This is affecting other movement.

Road.

5. The balance of 1000 G.M. Coy moves from Florence to the East Coast on 1st March '45.

III. ROAD.

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4. Office building for brigade headquarters located and plans made for its occupancy.
5. 8th Company delayed on moving to Florence due to the fact that the 1000 G.T. Coy had not moved according to schedule
6. 3 more cadres from P.B.S. to form Companies.

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7. 240 - 14 ton trucks arrived Naples.
8. Eight (8) tons truck spare parts arrived Naples, will be brought to Central parts store, Rome.
9. Truck assembly line. ATAC plant, Rome, in operation thirty vehicles assembled for delivery.

PORTS AND WAREHOUSE.

IV.
1. Coal Service. - Civitavecchia-Fiumicino/Rome. The schooner "Dina" has now been allotted to this service. She is now discharging at Civitavecchia and will load to full capacity of 300 tons of coal to be carried to Fiumicino. At Fiumicino the "Dina" will be lightened sufficiently to enable her to come up the canal to Rome.

2. During the course of the week, the following ports were visited:

San Stephano; now ready to receive schooners of

2/300 tons.

Piombino - work inside port area progressing rapidly. Main railroad line to port not yet completed. A special reconnaissance was made with view to receiving boxed cars and assembling in Port area. Conditions are favorable and further investigations are being made.

Faltonica - No facilities.

Portofino - the specially constructed pier and plant are working order. Only hold up for bringing pyrites from mine to loading station is lack of current. The Public Works and Utilities have this matter in hand. The loading equipment at Portofino can handle 100/150 tons per hour. At present there are 12/16,000 tons ready for shipment? This tonnage could be handled with present supply of current, which is on from 10.00 p.m. until 6.00 a.m. In normal time, Portofino was used all the year around although during the winter months the coaster had to seek shelter nearby during bad spells.

Leghorn - a military port. Was visited in company of the Provincial Commissioner for purpose of information.

Viareggio - badly damaged. Many sunken craft. Two barges of 50/60 tons are in course of construction. Two barges of 5/600 tons are partly constructed but work has ceased.

HERRITT H. TAYLOR
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel : 390

Ref : AC/172/5/Tn.1

14 February 1945

SUBJECT : Sitrep for week 5- 12 Feb 45.

TO : Economic Section, AC HQ.

I. RAIL. Nil.

II. ROADS.

1. A detachment of 1st Company composed of six US EM, two ITI officers and forty-five ITI EM operating twenty-two trucks was moved to Livorno to replace two platoons of 1000 GT Coy (Br).

2. Request for American and British personnel for Special Motor Brigade was prepared for presentation to AFHQ for approval.

3. Eight civilian type trucks were brought from Livorno to Rome.

III. SHIPPING.

1. Shipping instruction No.7 Shipment of U.N.R.R.A. Supplies approved.

2. Jr/Comdr. E.Fearnsides transferred to U.N.R.R.A.

IV. WAREHOUSES.

1. Leghorn - a. Capt. Boyd and 10 EM/OR transferred to Ancona.

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2. Ancona. - No major changes

3. Naples - All Red Cross relief clothing on hand is being shipped to Ancona.

4. General - Of the 40 E.M. slated to be sent to Replacement Depot, 7 have been classified "Limited Assignment" and therefore will remain on duty with ALOC.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Tel : 390

SUBJECT: Sitrop for week 31 Jan-5 Feb. 1945.

TO : Economic Section, AD HQ.

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On and from Monday, 5th February 1945 the running time of the Rome - Naples train was reduced to 10 hours. Local services started between Rome and Frascati, latter taking wheat to Frascati mills. Satisfactory meetings of various sub-committees of Allied Railway Board have been held.

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SHIPPING.

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IV.

WAREHOUSES.

1. Leghorn. Arrangements were made for considerable change in military personnel, caused by needs at Ancona and replacements of Full Assignment by Limited Assignment American E.M. Situation is extremely bad because new men are far below the high efficiency level of those transferred to Replacement Depots.
2. Ancona. No major changes.
3. Naples. No major changes.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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Tel: 220

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31 Jan. '45

SUBJECT: Sitrep for Week 23-30 Jan. '45.

TO : Economic Section, AC HQ.

I. RAIL

Nil.

II. ROADS

1. BA 654 discharged at Naples. Manifest indicated 62 cases, vehicles. So far only 54 cases have been located totalling 50 chassis and 58 cabs.

2. BA 681 and 669 discharged at Livorno. Reports from there show 10 trucks in process of assembly.

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5. No final statement of trucks available can be reached until all cases have been located and checked.

6. It is not probable that the Feb. 20th, 1945 release data requested by Col. Butterworth can be met either as to number (he asked for 120) or time. The assembling of those trucks at Naples has not yet been begun and no more are expected to arrive in time to be assembled by that date.

7. Six civilian type trucks received at Leghorn, bodies being installed. Personnel laid on with MMIA for Companies 7 and 8 to be activated on Jan. 30th. Facilities at Via Sannio set up to accommodate two Italian Companies.

III. SHIPPING

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2. Ancona - Repair work on warehouses continues. Present inventory of about 7,000 tons is peak to date.

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3. Naples

Naples ALCOM Depots again visited by Major Klein. Investigation made of serious shortages on recent arrivals of flour and sugar. Considerable recovery effected. Loss attributable to inadequate "follow thru" by Port Liaison Officer.

Herbert H. Taylor
HERBERT H. TAYLOR,
Director.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

24 January 1945

Ref : AG/172/2/Tn.1

SUBJECT : Sitrep for week 15 - 22 Jan.45

TO : Economic Section, HQ. AC.

I. RAIL.

1. Considerable attention was given to first civilian passenger service between Rome and Naples, which left Rome Monday 22 January. Received with acclamation on route, and Civic welcome was given at Naples to Minister of Transporto Cerabona. Control of traffic well arranged and abundant guards supplied. Duration of journey 12 hours may be reduced as service develops.

2. Difficulty in introducing passenger services primarily one of passenger coaches, but additional facilities for workers Caserta-Naples commenced same date.

3. Allied Railway Board formed with AFHQ, MRS, ISR, with five working committees, to deal with railway problems of Italy.

II. ROADS.

1. 6 1/2 ton trucks arrived Leghorn without bodies.

2. Considerable amount of salvage frames, bodies, rear and front-end assemblies, springs etc. declared surplus by War Dept. have been claimed for re-building and maintenance purposes.

3. Arrangements made with A.T.A.C. for utilizing their warehousing facilities to establish a centralized parts section.

4. The ATAC workshops were surveyed with a view towards using their personnel and machinery, for higher echelon maintenance and parts construction. ATAC is preparing costing schedules.

5. The first Truck Bn. received their final quota of 50 trucks.

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2. Ancona:- a. Ancona ALCOM depots as well as 8th Army AMG forward depots at Rimini and Forlì were visited by the undersigned.

- b. A meeting with the Port Commandant indicated the probability that Bari rather than Ancona is responsible for our serious losses on water shipments between these points. A complete investigation is necessary.
- c. Actual warehouse capacity at Ancona is now about
 15,000 tons good closed space
 1,000 " " open space
 In addition, following space will probably be available soon
 1,000 tons good closed space
 500 " " open space
 In addition, a very large open space can be made available by enclosing with barbed wire should the situation warrant.
- d. A firm answer is urgently needed on entire Ancona expected tonnage arrivals in the larger program. Because of the uncertainty, much of the present Ancona space expansion efforts may well be a waste.
- e. 8th Army and are closing their depots at Rimini and expanding their facilities at Forli. Present closed warehouse capacity at Forli will probably be increased to about 7000 Tons inside storage space and 5000 tons good outside space. Transportation from Ancona to Forli is a serious problem. Rail capacity is not great for a large program - present railhead is at Cesena - not enough motor trucks are available to clear railhead of large tonnages, and/or haul from Ancona to Forli.

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- b. That matter is now under investigation. Although there are serious problems involved, the potential advantages are so great that every effort will be made to arrive at a satisfactory working arrangement.
- c. Dr. Bettef of the Federazione Consorzi Agrari recommended Maj. Marks to Ancona to investigate

3:000 tons good closed space

500 " " open space

In addition, a very large open space can be made available by enclosing with barbed wire should the situation warrant.

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- c. Dr. Betta of the Federazione Consorzi Agrari accompanied Maj. Klein to Ancona to investigate our operations there.
- d. Two other representatives of the Federazione Consorzi Agrari will go to Naples 22 Jan 45 for the same purpose.

IV. SHIPPING.

1. On 16 Jan 45 a reconnaissance of the port of Piombino took place. It is intended to develop the port to handle one liberty and two coasters for A.C. account.
2. The special equipment order for Civitavecchia has now started to arrive.
3. Owing to constant bad weather discharge of grain and salt has been considerably delayed at Castellammare.

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10 January 1945

TO : Economic Section.

SUBJECT : Sitrep for Week 1 - 7 January 1945.

1.

RAIL

Nil.

2.

ROADS

- (a) Plan for increased Italian Personnel for additional G. T. and M. Truck Companies agreed by 15th Army Group.
(b) Complete plan forwarded to A.F.M.C., G-5.
(c) Approximately 1500 new jeep tyres and tubes received, and a small number of G.M. Truck Tyres and tubes.
(d) Advanced M., 1st Truck Bn., formed, and moved to Leghorn.
(e) 62 1 1/2 ton trucks without bodies arrived in Naples.

SHIPPING

- (a) Acting on the authority of the Supreme Allied Commander, Civitavecchia is to be brought into first class working condition, the first step to implement this decision being the visit of a large recon party to Civitavecchia on January 7th.
(b) Three ships have been nominated by A.F.M.C. to lift horses, cattle and sheep from Cagliari to Civitavecchia to restock Lazio-Umbria Region.

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- (a) LEGHORN
Greatly reduced activities. No other major changes.
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Conversations were held with the Banco di Napoli relative to: (i) termination of present contract with Magazzini Generali (ii) agreement on new contract (iii) dismissal of Sig. Lupo, Director of Operations in Alcom Depots, Naples for Banco di Napoli, (Magazzini Generali).
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Warehouse facilities increased by use of outside storage space for merchandise that can withstand the weather, such as laid in drums, etc.

SUBJECT : Sitrep for Week 1 - 7 January 1945.

1.

MAIL

Nil.

2.

ROADS

- (a) Plan for increased Italian Personnel for additional G. T. and C.M. Truck Companies agreed by 10th Army Group.
(b) Complete plan forwarded to A.F.H.Q., G-5.
(c) Approximately 1500 new deep tyres and tubes received, and a small number of C.M. Truck Tyres and Tubes.
(d) Advanced H.Q., 1st Truck Bn., formed, and moved to Legnora.
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Sitprep for Week 1 - 7 January 1945 cont'd:

ANCONA (cont'd)

Additional increase of 5000 tons by acquisition of new warehouses. Attempts are still under way to further increase present accommodation. Food Sub-Commission, at the present, has requested that approximately 20,000 tons be stored in Ancona.

Present inside-capacity-about 10,000 tons
Present outside-capacity-about 5,000 tons.

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17 January 1945

SUBJECT: Citrep for week ending January 14th, 1945.

II : Economic Section, B.A. A.C.

1. RAINS:

Nil.

2. ROADS:

- (a) 12th Army Group requested to find site on east coast for location of 1000 G.I. Company at present at Leghorn.
- (b) Further complicated correspondence from AMIA on personnel for new G.I. and A.M. Truck Companies, but no action as yet. (Request first submitted by A.C. on 5 Dec. 1944.)
- (c) First problem - justification of operation of multi-student passenger bus services all over Italy - submitted to new Priorities Board.

3. SHIPPING:

- (a) Lt. Colonel J.A. Balfour, M.B.E., A.S. was attached to Transportation Sub-Commission as C.O.M.C. (M) Shipping on 11 January 45.
- (b) On 11 January 45, 1000th EVANLOT arrived in Civitavecchia with 70 head of cattle, being first installment of animals from Sardinia for restocking Lazio-Umbria Region, and was discharged expeditiously and without incident.

4. WAREHOUSES:

- Leghorn: - No major changes.
- Ancona: - No major changes.
- Aples: - Meeting with the principals of the Magazzini Generali e Frigoriferi S.A. resulted in disagreement regarding the newly proposed contract. Their services will be dispensed with as soon as other satisfactory arrangements can be made. (Conversations on this subject are imminent).
- Sig. Lupo is continuing to act as assistant to the officer in charge of Warehouses in the employ of AMIA, a purely temporary answer to a very unsatisfactory situation.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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2 January 1945

Ref: AC/319.2/Tn

SUBJECT : Sitrep Week 25/31 Dec. 1944

TO : Economic Section.

1. RAIL

NIL.

2. ROADS

1. As from the 1st of January the 1000 G.T. Coy and the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th G.M. Truck Coye, operating in the forward areas of AMG 5th Army, have been consolidated for operational purposes under one Advance Headquarters, this Headquarters being the Advance Headquarters Number 1 Truck Bn., situated at Headquarters AMG 5th Army. All future requests for transport in those areas should therefore be addressed to this Advanced Headquarters.

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IV. WAREHOUSE

Leghorn:

- a. Warehouses are in excellent shape. Port Liaison functioning smoothly.
- b. If the contemplated program of de-emphasizing Leghorn for stock piling actually becomes effective, it will be necessary to close some of the present warehouses as well as remove some of the military personnel to other locations, as Leghorn is set up for the bigger operation originally planned.

Naples:

- a. Capt. Marks, Port Lison Officer, promoted to Major. He has considerably improved the Naples situation, altho he has been on the job only about 10 days.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 374
Transportation Sub-Commission

AG/319.2/Tm

20 December 1944

SUBJECT: Pitrep week-ending 16 December 1944.

TO : Economic Section

I. RAIL

1. There has been an acute shortage of rail cars in Calabria Division due to difficulties created by wash outs following heavy rains. All repairs have been effected, except at Tural, where the connection to Monteponte is likely to be out of action until the end of January 1945. MRS assistance in repair work is being given. Arrangements have been made for 100 empty freight cars a day to be led to Calabria via Battipaglia to meet current demands.

2. Transportation Engineer is on site of Ortona-Ancona line in connection with letting of contracts for repairs to this important track. Florence-Arezzo line is also scheduled for priority attention. A civil passenger's coach has been attached to Rome-Sivita Vecchia train under control of Transportation Sub-Commission Rept. with Lazio-Umbria Region.

II. ROADS

1. One of the most salient problems encountered by the 1st Truck Bn. is the lack of control vehicles. The civilian cars assigned are inadequate in number and not road-worthy for major operations in Fifth Army Forward Areas. The need for the T/S of 9 Command Cars and 40 Jeeps increases daily, with the increasing number of Companies forward, and the degree of control necessary.

2. The Chief Tyre Inspector A.F.H.Q. visited the Pirelli Tyre Plant, and authorized requisitions for Tyre Repair Material to be placed. Stocks at the present time are exhausted.

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3. A directive setting out the methods of indenting for Spare Parts for M.D. Vehicles is now in course of preparation and will be issued shortly.

III. SHIPPING

1. On December 14, Lt.Col.M.J.Sieff, R.A. joined Transportation Sub-Commission as Head of shipping movements.

2. On December 17, Capt.R.Moyla, R.E. joined Transportation Sub-Commission as staff Captain in shipping movements.

3. A bid was submitted and accepted by A.F.H.Q. for the movement of 500 cattle, 300 horses and 2000 sheep from Sardinia for the re-stocking of Lemba - Ubaria Region.

IV. WAREHOUSE Leshora

1. Lt.Lester, newly assigned Warehouse Officer, reported for duty.

2. The problem, of securing lumber to complete roofing repairs, has not been solved, although some slight progress has been made.

3. Very heavy receipts continue; shipments, particularly by rail, of miscellaneous non-foodstuffs, have been heavy.

Naples.

1. Capt.Hart, Port Liaison Officer, is being replaced by Capt.Marks.

2. The contemplated use of Naples depots for stock piling for the North has begun. Receipts are heavy. A sit-down strike of the employees at Depot 677 complicated matters. It was necessary to make use of the Military Police to clear the warehouses of the striking workers. Replacing workers were obtained, and order restored.

3. The Land Forces Sub-Commission made representations through the Real Estate Section to take certain of our Warehouse facilities. When our present need was explained (as contrasted to our recent lack of use of said space) the matter was dropped.

Ancona

1. The Ancona depots were visited during the week. The newly requisitioned Warehouse were inspected. Although not ideal, they will satisfactorily fulfill the need, should anticipated increased tonnages materialize.

2. Some E.M/O.R.'s personnel has been shifted from Ancona to Leghorn.

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12 December 1944

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SUBJECT: Sitrep for week ending 11 December.

TO : Economic Section

I. SHIPMENTS, PORTS.

Two emergencies have been met during the past

week:-

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(3) 1100 tons bid for rail movement, Naples - Rome, A.C. Traffic. Approx. 800 tons accepted.

III. WAREHOUSE.(1) Leghorn:

a) Still encountering great difficulties in securing necessary materials for roofing repair. Lumber is a serious problem.

b) Red Cross depot 12L53 incorporated in our warehouse set-up.

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6 December 1944

SUBJECT : SITREP

TO : Economic Section

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2. Cars from the Sub-Commission from this Headquarters in the process of being pooled and placed under the control of the Chief Transportation Officer.

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Projects for the repair of the Arezzo-Florence line have been completed and work should start soon.

III - RAIL MOVEMENTS

1. Breaks in line 87 (Ancona-Rome) during past week delayed, scheduled movements of grain from Jesi, Chieravalle etc., to Rome. Hoped line re-opens today.

2. At POM at Caserta Tuesday 28 Nov.

Cuts were made in AC tonnage by rail for week 4-10 Dec. to Rome due to heavy services bidding.

3. Wagon supply-position seems slightly easier except in Calabria where shortage continues.

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