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GENERAL PLANNING

Jan. 1945 - Jan. 1946

March Lt. Col.
1946 Scoggins
Transport-
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Branch.

Please be sure that we are kept abreast of
the arrangements pending, proposed or made for
transport of coal to Italy from European sources
such as Ruhr, Poland, Czechoslovakia, etc.

Economic
Section

(SIGNED)

NORMAN R. SMITH

Major; AGD

CHARLES W. WALTON

Colonel AG

Acting Vice President

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Tel. 376

Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

21 February 1946

AC/210/23/En.1

SUBJECT : Transportation Liaison Officers.

TO : Supply Group, Economic Section.

Confirming conversation this afternoon (Walker - Buchanan), the following are my recommendations for all Transportation Liaison Officers of this Sub-Commission w.e.f. 1 March 1946.

Place	Officer	Recommendation	Remarks
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	1st Lt. O'Donnell	(A) ditto	
Udine	Capt. Bickley	(A) ditto	
Genoa	Capt. Lloyd-Davies	(B) ditto	
Turin	Capt. Pankratz	(A) ditto	
Verona	Maj. Prinsloo	(B) ditto	Already declared Surplus to G-1(B) w.e.f. 1 March
Venice	Lt. Evans	(B) Retain (Note A)	
Bologna	Capt. Nunn	(B) Declare Surplus	Already declared Surplus to G-1(B) and being transferred to Claim and Hixings.
Naples	Capt. Ramsey	(A) See Note A	Already instructed to close office 1 March. Has applied for return to U.S.
Ancona	Capt. Vaughan	(B) Declare Surplus	Already declared Surplus to G-1(B)
Rome	Capt. Hall	(A) See Note A	Being declared Surplus, and office being closed
Bari	Mr. Franco	(A)	Already discharged
Brindisi	Lt. Lewis	(B)	Already reported
Leghorn	Lt. Lester	(A)	Surplus
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Leghorn Florence	Lt. Lester WO Hill	(A) (A)	Gone to Venezia Giulia.

Note A. These Officers might be employed with reduced Economic Section.

Copy to : Economic Section
G-1 (B)
G-1 (A)

F.D.G. SUCHANAN
Colonel,
Director.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO : **ACTPT MILAN INFO: ACTPT ROME**

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Presume your intention have TPT representative in Venice after region AMG closes. Please advise is following designation satisfactory (SR TN Officer AC Venice) Address this office rooms 24 and 25 Palazzo Reale Piazza San Marco Venice telephone 27704.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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Our Ref :- AC/210/16/Tn.1.

5 December 1945

SUBJECT :- Functions of Sub-Commissions.

TO :- Economic Section

1. Reference your BS/1.38 dated 4 December '45.
2. Attached herewith are amendments to the functions of this Sub-Commission.

For the Director :-

USA
C.W.G.TAYLOR
Major R.A.

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6 . Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission

- 1.- Advises the Italian Government on all Transportation matters (except those concerning Air Transportation)
- 2.- In particular supervises movement programmes to ensure that the carriage of freight by rail is carried out in accordance with established priorities and that the movement of essential civilian supplies to be moved by Italian coastwise shipping is carried in the most economical manner with the shipping available.
- 3.- Advises the Italian Government on all matters pertaining to the Italian State Railways including the railway reconstruction programmes . Screens the request for train services by the Italian Government .
- 4.- Advises as to the most effective use of available road haulage vehicles and Government Truck Pools and advises on haulage programmes . Carries out transfers of Allied imported and ex-Army vehicles to the Italian Government .
- 5.- Advises as to the use of ports and warehouses, the rehabilitation of the ports, and the method of obtaining equipment for the latter.
- 6.- Acts as the channel on transportation matters, between the Italian Government and the Military and Allied Civilian Authorities concerned , e.g. AFHQ , DMRS , ' Q' Movements MMT , WSA , Etc .

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

Ref: ES/1.38

4 December 1945

SUBJECT: Functions of Sub-Commissions

TO : Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission
Industry & Utilities Sub-Commission
Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission ✓
Finance Sub-Commission
Commerce (Foreign Trade) Sub-Commission
Labor Sub-Commission

1. Lt. Gen. Ridgway, Commanding General, MTOUSA, has requested of the Executive Commissioner a brief list of the functions of the sub-commissions -- a few lines explaining what each does.

2. On the basis of information obtained from the sub-commissions for Establishment Section on 14 September 1945, the attached draft has been prepared.

3. URGENTLY request your comments on the portion pertaining to you. Comments or amendments should be delivered to Economic Section Message Center by 1000 hours, Wednesday, 5 December 1945.

for *Will Wright*
ELWOOD HOLSTEIN
Chief Staff Officer

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per para 2

cc Supply Group

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DRAFTSTATEMENT OF FUNCTIONS
Of
ECONOMIC SECTION SUB-CO MISSION

1. Commerce (Foreign Trade) S/c. Screen declarations by the Italian Government of exportable surplus against local Allied Military requirements, against allocation by S.C.S. of reserved commodity list items, and against the Italian import programs; assists in the re-establishment of import trade between Italy and countries other than U.S. and U. K.; advises and assists the Italian Government in connection with foreign trade.
2. Finance S/c. Controls the custody and disbursement of Allied Military lire to the Allied Forces, AC/AMG, and other Allied organizations; keeps the accounts involved therein and renders reports thereon to higher authority; keeps the accounts records concerned in the import of supplies from the U.S. and U.K. and other Allied nations for delivery to the Italian Government for the Italian people; receives and transmits to the Italian Government and AC/AMG, for guidance and compliance, directives from higher authority laying down Allied policies on financial matters; gives policy directions to and supervises the operations of AMG Finance officers in AMG territory, in connection with the Italian public financial administrative and Italian private financial institutions; maintains contact with the Italian Ministries of the Treasury and Finance, and with the Central Bank (Bank of Italy), and advises them, when requested, on Italian financial matters such as currency, foreign exchange, budget, revenues, taxation, banking insurance, stock exchange, and other financial policies and operation.

3. Food and Agriculture S/C:

Supervises the importation of the necessary food supplies required, over indigenous resources, to meet existing ration scales in the whole of Italy; advises the Italian Government with respect to the feeding of Italy. Also assists in the restoration and control of Italian agriculture, forestry, and fisheries to the extent necessary, to secure:

- a. Maximum production and effective and equitable distribution of local resources as a prerequisite to economic assistance by imports
- b. Additional resources required for Allied Military forces
- c. Surplus quantities that can be exported to re-establish foreign credits
- d. A reduction in the imports of essential civilian supplies.

In Italian Government territory, assists and advises the Government, and in AMG territory exercises control, with respect to the programs for the raising of wheat, olive oil, and other assessed products.

4. Industry and Utilities S/C:

Formulates and recommends policies and plans affecting Italian industrial production; appreciates potential production, basing thereon recommendations and procedures, and as necessary, screening qualitatively requisitions submitted by AMG Regional authorities, by other Sub-Commissions, or by the Italian Government, for all supplies of an industrial nature, including priorities attached thereto; recruits and assigns specialists on particular industrial problems where necessary; advises the Italian Government on industrial policies and procedures. Is responsible for planning power rehabilitation throughout Italy; using Italian labor and local materials, supervises and directs the construction work of rehabilitation and the operation of power systems except those speci-

fically excepted by AFHQ; in AMG territory, is responsible for the use

of Italian facilities for maintenance and reconstruction of military roads and bridges, and of all public works necessary to the prevention of disease and unrest, including sewers, water supply, ports, housing, and roads and bridges of civil importance; advises and assists the Italian Government on all public works problems as requested; and, with regard to military roads in Italian Government territory, advises the Italian Government and is responsible for review and financial approval of all schemes covering such maintenance.

5. Labor Sub-Commission

In Italian Government Territory, advises and assists upon request of the Italian Government with regard to policy and legislation concerning:

- a. Basic labor laws and regulations governing wages, hours and working conditions.
- b. Industrial relations and the formation of free associations of employees and employers.
- c. Manpower and recruitment, registration, placement and movement of all labor, and employment exchanges.
- d. Labor inspection and the enforcement of labor standards, safety and working conditions.
- e. Social security measures and social security agencies.

In AMG Territory, establishes machinery for handling civilian labor requirements of Allied Military forces; coordinates the civilian labor program with the Allied Military Labor Program; arranges for the abolition of Fascist labor organizations; determines the civilian wage policy; supervises labor relations, particularly as concerns labor union organizations; establishes labor offices; supervises social security agencies and the implementation of Italian Government decrees.

6. Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission.

Supervises and controls the movements by rail and water of essential civilian supplies in all Italy; procures shipping necessary for coastwise movement beyond the capacity of rail and Italian shipping; controls the movements of refugees and displaced persons; advises the Italian Government on all transportation matters, ~~part~~ particularly with respect to the effective and equitable employment of road ~~and~~ transport.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
MILAN OFFICE
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel: 632141 Ext. 40

26 November 1945

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SUBJECT : Reorganization

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
Allied Commission
(attn. Lt. Col. Scoggins)

1. Reference your AC/210/12/Tn1 of 21 November.

2. It is absolutely necessary to include Venezia Region in the proposed reorganization from a transportation standpoint due to the rail, inland waterway and truck routes knowing no administrative boundaries. Business flows normally in an east-west direction in northern Italy with a minimum flow south-north. By setting up an arbitrary boundary between Venezia and Lombardia it means that all inter regional transportation questions must be cleared through Rome with a consequent delay that would be fatal to the rehabilitation of the transportation industry now struggling to regain its feet in this area. The whole economy of northern Italy rests on fast, smooth flowing transport between the Adriatic and Liguria coasts. It is suggested that the present set-up be retained here, merely changing the names of the local regional transportation officers to conform to whatever scheme is adopted, but, by all means, leave this office as representative of the Transportation Sub-Commission in northern Italy, which includes Venezia and also coordinates with AMG XIII Corps as well. The present setup works well as is evidenced by the lack of complaints, therefore it is the height of foolishness to change at this time.

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- (e) 1st Lt. R. T. O'Donnell is one of our best officers here and should not be transferred out. In lieu suggest Capt. R. J. Woodcock or Lt. A. McD. Clark in the order named.

copyto: Col. Fiske
Office of Representative Chief Commissioner
Milan

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M. Harris
M. HARRIS
Lt. Col. C.E.

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Tel: 482

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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29 November 1945

SUBJECT : Personnel

TO : Lt. Col. Milton Harris
Office of Representative of Chief Commissioner
Milan.

1. As you no doubt know the plan to consolidate Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions was not approved.

2. In lieu of the consolidation plan, the Office of Representative of the Chief Commissioner is being abolished and Office of Economic Commissioner Northern Italy is being created, effective 1 December 1945, under Executive Orders Number 84, this headquarters, dated 28 November 1945.

3. Paragraph II (C) of the above referred to Executive Order will no doubt straighten out any personnel matter, including that of the present assignment of Major Chapman.

For the Director:

WALTER P. SCOGGINS
Lt. Col. QMC
Chief, Admin. Div.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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Tel. : 267

20 November 1945

Ref. :

SUBJECT: Amalgamation of Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions
into a Single Region at Milan

TO : Supply Group, Economic Section
Food & Agriculture Sub-Commission
Industry & Utilities Sub-Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission
Finance Sub-Commission
Commerce (Foreign Trade) Sub-Commission
Labor Sub-Commission

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1. It has been proposed and will doubtless be approved, to be effective 1 December 1945, that Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions be amalgamated into a single region with Headquarters at Milan.

2. The Allied Commission Headquarters at Milan will be consolidated with the new Northwest Region Headquarters at Milan.

3. Unless the Supply Group or Sub-Commissions can put up reasons to the contrary, all personnel operating as representatives of Sub-Commissions from Allied Commission Headquarters Rome, will become a part of the Regional setup.

4. It is proposed to suggest to the Regional Commissioner of the new Northwest Region that an Economic Section or Division similar to Economic Section Headquarters Allied Commission be set up in the Regional Staff at the Milan Headquarters.

5. It is contemplated that most all of the economic technical officers now in the three present Northwest Regions be transferred to the new Regional Staff at Milan except certain officers of Finance, Food and Agriculture and Transportation Sub-Commissions. Such Sub-Commissions will want to post officers in a few of the provinces.

6. This consolidation should make it possible to transfer some economic officers to Venezia-Giulia Region now and balance of those required there upon turn-back of the north to Italian Government.

7. Economic officers with respect to the new Northwest Region who are to be retained in the northwest on liaison functions should now be posted as far as is possible to the locations they will function after the turn-back.

8. The Executive Commissioner, with Mr. Cleveland is holding a meeting in Milan on Friday this week in order to discuss the proposed plan with Regional Commissioners.

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9. It is desired that the Supply Group and Sub-Commissions submit a memorandum setting forth their recommended disposition and assignment of economic officers now, in the three Northwest Regions, including Allied Commission Headquarters representative in Milan, showing by name the economic staff or field assignments to the new Northwest Region. Indicate also by names officers who can be transferred or ear-marked for Venezia-Giulia Region.

10. Since the meeting in Milan will be held Friday, may requested recommendations be in the hands of the Deputy Vice-President, Economic Section by 1200 hours Thursday 22 November, please?

1100 Wed.

For the Acting Vice-President.

(SG) L. D. DENSMORE

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, F. A.
Deputy Vice-President

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APO 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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21 November 1945

SUBJECT : Reorganization

TO : Lt. Col. Milton Harris
Office of Representative of Chief Commissioner
Milan.

1. There is attached a copy of letter submitted this date on the proposed consolidation of Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions.

2. We were called upon to submit the proposed personnel set up without having time to consult with you on the matter. If you have any comments or recommended changes, please let us have them.

For the Director :

WALTER P. SCOSGINS
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Chief Admin. Div.

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APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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4 September 1945

SUBJECT: Re the Attached Study on Rehabilitation of Italian
Transportation - Centro Studi Di Politica Economica
Per La Ricostruzione

TO : Director, Commerce Sub-Commission

1. The attached proposal for the reconstruction of transportation in Italy was submitted to the Transportation Sub-Commission for review by representatives of this Association. Transportation Sub-Commission accepted it only on the basis of considering its value as a contribution to transportation reconstruction, with the understanding that it would be passed on to the Commerce Sub-Commission for their handling on decisions as to material for such publications.

2. Our observation is solely to the effect that while a well written paper and has value, it should be noted that it is strictly on the academic side. This comment is not meant as a recommendation either for or against its publication, but an observation for the benefit of the Commerce Sub-Commission.


FRANK UPTON, JR.
Director

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Study

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

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Inl. : 245

August 1945

Ref. : AC/5127/A/Commerce

SUBJECT: Foreign Trade Committee

TO : The Ministry of Industry & Commerce - Rome

1. Reference is made to the conference which was held with this Headquarters on 9 August in which among others, the above subject was discussed.

2. It will be remembered that the question was raised as to whether a foreign trade committee in Rome would now serve a useful purpose in view of the new directive communicated to the Italian Government in the Chief Commissioner's letter of 31 July regarding the termination of Allied Commission's export activities.

3. It will be also recollected that it was agreed that such a committee would be useful even in the present circumstances and that the Italian Government would submit a proposal to this Headquarters as to the lines on which such a committee should be constituted.

4. Your suggestions are, therefore, awaited with interest.

CC: Sir Richard Hoeworthy, KCMG
U. K. Embassy
Mr. Charles Livengood
U. S. Embassy
Finance S/C
—Transportation S/C
Commerce S/C

E. B. MURPHY
Briarley General, U.S.A.
Acting Vice-President
Economic Section
Chief Supply Division

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.,
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.

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Ref : 843239
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24th April 1945

TO : The Director
Tn-Sub.Commission

SUBJECT : Delineation of functions.

1. There appears to exist a certain confusion as to the functions which should be carried out.

- a) By movements division
- b) By rail division.

2. My understanding is that the functions of the movements division are :

- a) To coordinate, not initiate movements.
- b) To allocate movement of traffic, between sea, rail and road, according to the tonnage capacity available.

3. That the functions of the rail division are:

- a) To supervise and advise the I.S.R. on all technical matters with regard to the operation and reconstruction of the railways.
- b) To keep Movements Division advised as to tonnage capacity available, superintendent movement of A.C. traffic, and advise with due anticipation any new lines that will be put into service after priority of work has been decided by the planning division.

4. I would request that a directive be issued laying down the responsibilities of the two divisions.

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C.H. LINDBERG

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O.H. LINDBERG
Lieut-Colonel.

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1. Following is an initial report requested your 77694.
Information obtained from conference with Central Economic Commission, CECAL, and its subcommittee for textiles and fibers as well as individual members of the subcommittee representing cotton, wool, hemp, jute, silk, and synthetic fibers industries.
2. COTTON. Less than 5% war damage. Machinery ready to operate at estimated 95% power (1958) capacity. No ginned cotton on hand or available locally. All processing materials available locally except lubricants and vegetable oils. 33000 tons of coal required per month. No coal on hand. 20% dyeing and finishing industry can use diesel oil in lieu of coal. No oil on hand.
3. WOOL. War damage insignificant. Machinery in good operating condition. Industry 95% intact. No virgin wool on hand or available in NORTHERN ITALY. 5000 tons shoddy on hand. All processing materials available locally except lubricants and olein. 14000 tons of coal required per month. No coal on hand. 10% of industry can use diesel oil in lieu of coal. In NORTHERN ITALY industry does not plan to use Sardinian wool.
4. HEMP. 5% of industry completely destroyed. 10% damage can be renovated in

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6 months after repair materials are made available. 85% of machinery and facilities operational. Hemp available locally for full capacity of existing installations. Assessment program critical. Exporters refusing to release hemp. Only 160 tons available in warehouses. Processing materials generally available except small deficiencies in lubricants. 1750 tons of coal required per month. No on hand. Industry now operated 10% capacity and can continue for 30 days with present stocks of materials. Italian officials estimate 25000 tons of raw hemp will be available for export from 1945 crop.

5. JUTE. 95% of spindles and 70% of looms completely destroyed by war damage. 65% of total industry is intact. No jute on hand or available locally. Jute industries have converted to manufacture of hemp products. If jute is made available, reconversion no problem. Processing materials generally available except small deficiencies in lubricants. 800 tons of coal required per month. No on hand.

6. SILK. War damage estimate at 5%. Industry 95% intact. Sufficient cocoons produced locally for full operation of industry. 1945 crop will produce approximately 4000 tons dry cocoons subject to immediate supply of coal for drying cocoons. All processing materials available locally. 8000 tons of coal required per month for drying, spinning and twisting. Industry at standstill for want of coal.

7. SYNTHETIC FIBERS. War damage negligible. Machinery intact. No raw materials on hand or available locally. 15% of cellulose requirements can be produced locally 4 months after materials are made available for repair of cellulose industry. 35000 tons of coal are required per month. Not on hand.

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8. **MANAGEMENT.** Top echelon and all subordinate branches of management are generally available.

9. **LABOR.** Labor at present is being paid by management even while not working in order to retain their services.

10. Coal shortage extremely critical in NORTHERN ITALY. If it were available, lignite could be used for coal at a ratio of about 3 to 1.

11. The larger part of the industry is hydro-electrically powered. Power is available.

12. Transportation in general for all textile industries has been found to be in much better condition than anticipated. Rolling stocks of motor transportation are short, but management expects this situation to improve.

13. Above report is preliminary only and believed to be somewhat over optimistic as to volume and quick results obtainable. It has not been cleared with ALLIED COMMISSION or British. Survey and investigation continuing for purpose of completing report to you by 5 June. Urgent we have information requested para 1 our F 75061 this year.

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1. Owing to wide variations between prices and rates reported from northern ITALY and those in southern ITALY it has been decided to maintain the reportedly lower prices and rates in northern ITALY and to separate the two economies for an initial period. Economic boundary line will be northern boundaries of RAVENNA, VERONA, VICENZA and INDOVA provinces.

2. Probable wide price differentials will make smuggling and black market across the economic boundary profitable for both civilian and military vehicles (Allied and Italian).

3. Formations will establish police road blocks (check posts) on all roads crossing the boundary in paragraph 1, to examine both northbound and southbound traffic for illegal cargo. Road blocks will be staffed jointly by military police (to search military vehicles) and Carabinieri or Guardia di Finanza (to search civilian vehicles). Road blocks in areas under US control will conform in general to the announced in VMC Circular number 1.

4. Types of cargo to be made subject of search will be notified through AG/AM channels.

5. Allied Commissions are issuing similar instructions through AG/AM channels. You are requested to cooperate closely with AC in

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establishing an effective system of checks and blocks.

6. For MAIF. Owing to possibility of minor smuggling of goods by air passengers across boundary in paragraph 1, MAIF are asked to take suitable preventive action.

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30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Rehabilitation of Italian State Railways destroyed by Enemy Action.

TO : Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. I attended a meeting at the Italian Ministry of the Treasury today at which representatives of the I.S.R., Italian Treasury, and Finance Sub-Commission (Budget Sect.) were present.

2. Object of the meeting was to clarify the method of accounting concerning the above subject.

3. The whole system of credits for the Ministry of Transport is up for revision and it is possible that in future decrees will not be necessary to cover rehabilitation as at present, but I.R.S. contracts authorized whether by M.R.S. or A.C. will be debited to one expenditure account.

4. The Finance Sub-Commission have, therefore, agreed that the I.S.R. debit all expenditures other than War Damage against one credit authorized by the Treasury. The I.S.R. Divisions do not coincide with Provincial boundaries. Therefore, unlike Public Works and Utilities, it has been found impracticable financially to define even boundaries between AMG and AC territory with regard to the Railways. Finance Officers have been advised in A.M.G. territory to this effect with instructions to extend credits on behalf of the Railways.

These credits are debitted against the account mentioned in Para 4.

5. Appropriations by decree have been authorized through the Italian Treasury for the rehabilitation of Sections of the Italian State Railways destroyed by enemy action.

The first was for the sum of eight hundred million

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lire. The estimated expenditure of the total of this sum has been exceeded by four hundred and twenty four million lire, but I was assured at this meeting that although the sum total of the appropriation had been surpassed it need not hold up other contracts from being authorized as the actual expenditure against the eight hundred million lire had only been some one hundred million.

6. In my letter of the 26 December 1944 I requested that the Ministry of Transport applied to the Italian Treasury for an additional appropriation of one thousand million lire and this has been received at the Treasury. I was assured that the appropriation would be granted within the next week. Rehabilitation of the I.S.R. has a first priority over other credits.

7. In view of the convincing statements of the Finance Sub-Commission, I am submitting to you, for your approval and signature, further applications for commencement of reconstructional work, which is of vital necessity to meet civil requirements.

8. I will continue to watch the Financial Aspect with regard to the I.S.R.

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24 January 1945

To: Director,
Transportation Sub Commission.

Subject: Avellino - Rocchetta Line, I.S.R.

1. This line, single track, 119 kilometres long, serves a productive area, mining and agricultural.

2. It is requested by D.M.R.S. and I.S.R. that authority be granted for the rehabilitation of this section for the following reasons: -

(a) Low cost of rebuilding 16,000,000 lire

(b) Its repair presents no difficult engineering problem, all material is on the spot with the exception of 5 tons of steel.

3. On completion, this section of line will relieve considerable traffic on the main lines Foggia - Naples and Bari - Naples and marshalling in Naples Yards; i.e. at present we are moving grain from Foggia area to Salerno, this traffic has to come through Naples Yards via Benevento, whereas if this section of line is repaired this traffic can be routed Foggia - Cervara - Rocchetta - Avellino - Salerno direct.

4. Last summer and fall we were unable to move grain from the S. Nicola di Melfi-Rapallo area owing to the low capacity haulage over the Tito hump between Potenza and Sicignano. This traffic can also be routed direct from Rocchetta to Salerno without having to pass through Potenza or touching the main Bari - Naples route.

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5. In 1938 Passenger and Goods traffic originating on this section amounted to 36,000,000 lire (thirtysix million lire). No statistics exist to show the amount of INTRA traffic passed over this section east and west bound but it is considered considerable.

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