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June 1945 - Feb. 1946

Subject : Meeting of the Finance
Sub-Committee, Allied
Railway Board.

Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
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c/o Military Railway Service
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Ref. In. 17/64/1/82

12 February 1946

To : The Chairman Allied Railway Board,
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" " Commercial Section, I.S.R. (Dott. D'Alessandro).

1. Since there are no items at present for discussion, no meeting
of the Finance/Sub-Committee of the Allied Railway Board will be held
this month.

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(T.T. GRAY) Capt. RE
for Chairman,
Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

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7 February 1946.

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1. Will you please forward any items for inclusion in the Agenda of the next meeting of the above Sub-Committee in time to reach this office by 12.00 hrs 11 February 1946.

[Signature]
(F.T. GRAY) Capt. R.S.
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MINUTES OF THE NINTH MEETING
OF THE

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OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HELD IN

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

ON

7 JANUARY 1946.

PRESENT : -

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Dott. CLERI

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Dott. D'ALESSANDRO

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Dott. E. MAUTNER

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54. Minutes of Last Meeting.

The Minutes of the Eighth Meeting, held on 5 Nov 45 were read and adopted after discussion on the following points:-

Minute No.

38. Warranting arrangements for Allied and Italian Civilians employed by A.C., U.N.R.R.A. and other organisations.

The Chairman asked Traffic Section, I.S.R. whether the present position was satisfactory. Traffic Section, I.S.R. stated that personnel were travelling on presentation of documentary evidence of identity but that no charges were being collected in respect of such travel. The Chairman asked Tn. Sub-Commission A.C. to request UNRRA to introduce the system of special warranting as was already in use by A.C. or alternatively to make arrangement for payment at the time of booking.

50. Responsibility for the Payment of Rail Transport Charges for the Movement of Refugees and Displaced Persons.

The Chairman explained how the charges in respect of movement of displaced persons would be recovered from the Governments concerned through the agency of the Italian Government. He said the I.S.R. should keep accounts, separately for each country concerned, ready for the ultimate settlement. The Commercial Section, I.S.R. explained that, at present, there was no efficient documentation for such movements particularly where small parties were involved. The Finance Sub-Commission, A.C. promised to take up the matter of proper documentation with the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, particularly stressing the importance of showing the nationality of the persons conveyed.

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The Chairman asked the I.S.R. Finance Section if credit had been arranged by the Trieste Comartimento for the value of foodstuffs supplied by the I.S.R. to these employees and was informed that this had not been done as the Finance Section did not know how cash transfers could be effected. The Chairman stated that the question was a general one involving many other types of payment as well, the accounting of which did not in itself present any difficulties and which would be shown in the accounts as debit or credit items for future settlement. The Chairman however undertook to discuss the possibilities of actual transfers of cash with A.M.G., XIII Corps during his next visit to Trieste. The question was then raised as to how Contractors resident in Zone A should be paid for work done in Italy proper, and the Chairman said that payments which could not be made in Italy could be arranged through the D.D.Tn. Trieste, who would have these payments shown as a debit against the I.S.R. account, Italy.

55. Movement of Passengers and Freight over the I.S.R. to other Countries.

The Chairman said that the I.S.R. had asked for this subject to be placed on the agenda but that the subject had already been raised at the last meeting of the Allied Railway Board on 20 Dec 45. The Chairman said that through booked Military traffic would presumably continue to be **1300** under

Armistice Terms but that the question in relation to civil relief supplies was still under consideration. Until the final decision is made, no further action can be taken beyond recording all such traffic, which is being done by M.R.S. The I.S.R. asked if any statistical records were required from them and the Chairman replied that his office was maintaining the necessary records on a ten kilometrage basis but there was no objection to the I.S.R. keeping records if they wished. After further discussion, it was agreed that no further action was required at present.

Special Documentation Arrangements in Northern Compartment.

The I.S.R. Commercial Section stated that various special arrangements had been made by the Allied Authorities with individual Northern Compartments which were in some respects at variance with arrangements made for the documentation of Allied Military traffic in the rest of Italy and enquired whether the old system was to continue to operate. The Chairman said he was unaware of such special arrangements and that as far as the Military were concerned the original arrangements for documentation were continuing and would continue unless any alteration was found necessary by the Movements Organisation, which was extremely unlikely. He would be glad to be informed of any case in which documentation, other than that laid down, was taking place.

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January 1946.

To :- For Distribution.

1. The Ninth Meeting of the above sub-Committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Monday 7th January 1946 in Room 175 (2nd floor), Ministry of Communications building.
2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.
3. Copy of Agenda is attached hereto.

[Signature]
(F.T. GRAY) Capt. R.E.
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For 9 spoke to
Pasha for 9 spoke
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for a letter
this from*

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ARMED RAILWAY BOARD

AGENDA FOR THE NINTH MEETING

MONDAY 7 JANUARY 1946.

1. Matters arising out of the Eighth meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee.
2. Movement of personnel and freight traffic over the Italian State Railways on behalf of other countries.
3. Any other business.

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31 December 1945.

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1. Will you please forward any items for inclusion in the Agenda of the next meeting of the above Sub-Committee in time to reach this Office by 12.00 hrs 4 Jan 46.

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Subject : Limitation of military transportation-
A.O. sponsored rail traffic.

Military Railway Service
T.O.S.
Tel. Division ext 9360
Outside Line 843126
Ref : M. 1/2/132/56

16 November 1945

To : (Rev)
C.R. . C.M.P.

Copy to : M. sub-Commission A.O. (MA). PLTP
(Minute 54 of Eighth Meeting Finance sub-commission refers)

1. The last time arrangements have been made for A.O. sponsored civilian rail traffic to be despatched under the normal I.S.R. documentation and for the payment of standard I.S.R. tariff charges by the parties concerned. Despite this, however, there are still a considerable number of military railway warrants being received relative to this class of traffic. These warrants have to be separately handled, in that they are extracted, passed to the M. sub-Commission A.O., who insert details of the organisation responsible for payment of rail charges - and then returned to this office for adjustment of rail statistics, after which they are sent to the I.S.R. who in turn attempt to collect the charges due.
2. The matter has been discussed with M. sub-Commission A.O. who state there is no necessity for the use of military warrants for this traffic which should all be subject to normal I.S.R. documentation. Furthermore, should there still be certain despatching points at which there are no I.S.R. staff to deal with civil consignments, M. sub-Commission consider that the necessary I.S.R. personnel could be provided.
3. Although para. 3 of your instruction No. 30 (ref. 1006/13/3 dated 3 Sep 45) indicates to T.T.O's that A.O./A.S.O. will be subject to I.S.R. documentation, it is requested that further instructions may be given that T.T.O's will not warrant any of this traffic at all. For your information, at appendix 'A' is a statement of the principal despatching points where military warrants are still being issued for A.O. civilian traffic.

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G. M. Davis
(G.P.O. 30/13) Maj. 31
For Brigadier
Director, Military Railway Service.

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Appendix A

SUMMARY of R.P.O.'s continuing to issue army freight warrants for the conveyance by rail of Allied Commission sponsored traffic. AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 1945

VENETIA Marittima	+	))	
GENOVA DOCKS	+	))	
UDINE		))	Traffic for Austria
BOLOGNA		))	+ also Italian traffic
TRIESTE	+	))	
ANCONA			
BARI Porto Nord			
BARI Marittima			
BOLOGNA			
BRINDISI DOCKS			
BRINDISI Central			
CASALE MARITTIMO			
FALCONE			
FORTI			
GENOVA			
TARANTO			
VAPO LIGURE			
CASALE MARITTIMO			
NAPLES DOCKS			
<i>Rome, Termini</i>			

MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH MEETING

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ON

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Major A.C. FINE)

Major G.S. DAVIES)

Major P.S. R. HILL)

Lt. F.R. DAVIES)

Ing C. B. COOL)

Dott. S. G. MARI)

Ing. LORENZO ALIBELLI)

Dott. C. D'ALESSANDRO)

Sig. A. M. G. G.)

Dott. S. MATHIAS)

D.A.D. (Finance), M.R.S.
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The minutes of the seventh meeting, held on 1st Sept '45, were adopted, and the following points concerning them were discussed:-

Minute No.

37. Payment by I.S.R. for repair to rolling stock by private firms.

The Chairman referred to a letter that had been received from the Chief of Traction Services, I.S.R. on 17 Oct '45 which clarified the present position of Payments with regard to contractors engaged in repair of rolling stock in Southern and Central Italy, as follows:-

(a) Industria Meccaniche Meridionali di Napoli.

780,000 Lire had been paid on Oct 6th concerning work carried out in August '45.

(b) Bombrini - P. radi - Delfino, Rome.

7,253,420 Lire had been paid on 16th Oct '45 in respect of the adjustment of the labour coefficients for the work carried out in July '45. The accounts for work carried out in August '45 were in hand.

(c) Cocchetti, Civitanova.

Settlement for work carried out in May and June '45 had been effected in the amount of Lire 2,553,575.

(d) Man-Bite, Rome.

An amount of Lire 403,920 had been paid on 12 Oct '45 for work performed in February '45, March accounts were in course of check, but bills for April payments were still awaited from the contractor.

The Sub-Commission representative stated that no complaints re non-payment had been received during the last month, and also said that no further trouble was anticipated in respect of the 50,000,000 Lire paid to Cocchetti, who fully understood that this represented an "on account" payment.

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38. Warranting arrangements for Allied and Italian civilians employed by A.C., U.S.R.R.A. and other organisations.

The Sub-Commission representative advised that U.S.R.R.A. had been informed that they would be required to indent on I.S.R. for the supply of special warrants to cover rail movements of their personnel. No reply had been received from them, and the Sub-Commission representative

(b) Bonbrini - Zandi - Dolfin, Rome.

7,252,400 Lire had been paid on 10th Oct'45 in respect of the adjustment of the labour coefficients for the work carried out in July'45. The accounts for work carried out in August'45 were in hand.

(c) Cecchetti, Civitanova.

Settlement for work carried out in May and June'45 had been effected in the amount of Lire 2,550,875.

(d) Simon-Bite, Rome.

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As it was apparent that U.N.R.R.A. personnel were still travelling without utilising the new system of special railway warrants, the I.S.R. were asked to explain the type of documentation used. I.S.R. Commercial representative said that he presumed the tickets were still being obtained (without payment) on presentation of identity card, a practice which had been in force prior to the issue of the instruction referred to.

The Chairman stated that the question of movement of U.N.R.R.A. personnel should be referred to G.4, A.F.B. 2, in so far as it was considered that U.N.R.R.A. should pay cash at the time of booking until such time as they agreed to

/conform with the new

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conform with the new A.C. warranting procedure. At the same time the Chairman said that he would make enquiries regarding responsibility for payment of U.N.R.R.A. rail freight traffic since the underlying principle applied to both types of traffic.

Minute No.

43.

Railway freight costs in connection with wheat for Austria.

The Chairman referred to a letter written by G-5 AFHQ to U.S.E.A. (for USACA) and A.C. Austria (Br. Element), a copy of which had been received by H.A.S. in which the opinion was expressed that Italy might be said to have a justifiable claim against Austria in respect of supplies passing over Italian Railways for ultimate delivery in Austria for civil consumption in the US/French and British Zones of occupation.

Finance Sub-Commission representative stated that an instruction had already been given by them to the effect that handling charges in Genoa in respect of grain for Austria should be met by the Federazione Commercio Agrario who were to reimburse themselves from the appropriate Italian Governmental Ministry concerned.

The Chairman stated that this method would ensure centralisation of records through one particular channel and would facilitate adjustment of charges between Governments should time be decided at a later date. The Chairman further expressed the opinion that in view of the Finance Sub-Commission representative's statement, instructions should be given by the Sub-Commission for this class of traffic to be subject to normal civilian rail documentation. The Sub-Commission representative agreed and said that he would pursue the matter, and that in the opinion of the Sub-Commission, rail transport charges on all civil traffic passing through Italy for other occupied territories should be ultimately paid for by the country to which the civil supplies were consigned.

The Chairman replied that no doubt this point would be finally cleared when decisions on the G-5 letter (mentioned above) were taken.

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47.

Payment for Wagon Repairs at Castellanza di Stabia.

The Chairman stated that he had been advised by the Chief of Traction Service, ISR, that payment for wagon repair carried out by the above named firm would be made on the basis of the provisions stipulated in the contract in force with the ISR, valid up to 15 June 1946. Officials and rates would be the same as agreed with I.M.M. Repies, as both contractors belonged to the same syndicate.

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The Chairman referred to a letter written to C-5 by the Sub-Commission on this subject, in which it was suggested that URRAs should be in a position to deal with the question of charges involved. The Sub-Commission representative said that as far as he could see the ISR should receive remuneration for this traffic as he had no information that refugees and displaced persons should travel free of charge, except that he considered it would be so in the case of Italian Nationals.

The general question of the illegal use of civil train facilities was then brought up and the Sub-Commission representative said that he was aware of Italian Military Personnel using civilian train facilities without authority or payment. The movement of Italian Military personnel was the responsibility of MILA, who should arrange organised movement of such personnel.

/ The Chairman thought this

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The Chairman thought that this matter should be referred to the Traffic Sub-Committee as there was evidence that the present unauthorised travel in civil trains was a definite hindrance to the correct allocation of civilian rail facilities.

Minute No.

51.

Recording of work done for the I.S.A. by U.S. Navy at Cantieri Navale Yard PALERMO.

The Chairman stated that he had recently had a meeting with a representative of the U.S. Navy from Palermo on this matter, as a result of which he understood that this Naval Yard would be shortly handed back to the civilian owners and that the cost of all work performed by the U.S. Navy on ISR locos would be recorded through Allied Commission channels.

The Sub-Commission representative stated, however, that the vacating of the yard by the U.S. Navy had been cancelled and that certain difficulties had now arisen with regard to the recording of costs against the ISR as U.S. Navy funds had been expended on non-naval work. He promised, at the request of the Chairman, to enquire further into the position and report at the next committee meeting.

Minute No.

52.

Limitation of military documentation for A.C. sponsored traffic.

The Chairman stated that although the question of limitation of the usage of military documentation for civil traffic, authorised by Allied Commission, had already been pursued by the Sub-Commission some time ago, the present situation showed an increase rather than a abatement in the use of military rail warrants. The Chairman further stated that this caused much additional work on the part of the British and American Railways Sections, who had to identify all civil consignments and pass the warrants concerned to the Accountant's Branch, the Sub-Commission, for endorsement to the organisation responsible for payment of freight charges. These warrants were then passed to the I.S.A. with instructions to recover freight charges from the organisation involved. The Sub-Commission representative stated that there was no necessity for the continued use of military warrants for civil consignments, since there was, in effect, no longer any traffic passing on account of Allied Commission.

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The Chairman then said that the matter should be taken up by IRS with G-4 AFHQ who would be asked to issue instructions to all RFO's that in future no military documentation would be used for the recovery of any traffic consigned on civilian account. This was agreed and the ISR representatives were advised of the intended action.

The Chairman suggested that presumably the Asst. Auditing Officer, IRS, would take up the matter of instructing American RFO's to terminate the use of American waybills for civil traffic in order to maintain uniformity. The Asst. Auditing Officer, IRS, agreed to do this.

The ISR Commercial representative stated that recovery action in respect of military warrants covering civil freight movements, which had been passed by IRS to his department, was being arranged through the ISR Auditing Office at Turin. He was not, however, able to say whether any actual recoveries had been effected.

Minute No.

Sheet 4.

52. Payment for Postoffice supplied, through the agency of ISS, Rome, to employees of Trieste Compartimento.

Chief of Finance Department, ISS, stated that a considerable sum of money had for some time been outstanding from the Trieste Compartimento to the ISS, Rome, and desired to know whether the amount could be collected, having regard to the fact that Trieste Compartimento was not now under ISS control. The doubt related to Postoffice's obtained from the provided organization and supplied through the agency of the ISS, Rome for the use of the State Railway employees in Trieste Compartimento. The transaction really related to the welfare of ISS employees and was in no way included in the State Railway accounts.

The Chairman replied that during the period he was in Trieste, he was asked by the Capo Compartimento there for instructions as to the disposal of the funds held (believed to be in the region of 4,000,000 Lira). At the time (some two months ago) the Capo was advised to arrange payment in Rome in the normal manner.

The Finance Sub-Commission representative suggested that there might be some difficulty in arranging a bank transfer of funds from Trieste (Zona A) to Rome.

The Chairman replied that from his experience in Trieste, he thought there was sufficient freedom of movement of currency and banking facilities to permit of this matter (which appeared to be a domestic one) being satisfactorily settled.

The Chief of Finance Dept. ISS, was, therefore, advised to take this matter up with Capo Compartimento, Trieste, and report any difficulties at the next meeting of the Committee.

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To :- Chairman,
Traffic Sub-Committee,
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c/o M.R.S.

1. A copy of the above Sub-Committee minutes is attached for your information.
2. Your attention is drawn to minute no. 50 (paras. 2 and 3), the subject matter of which was raised by the Commercial representatives of the I.S.R.
3. The matter was ^{originally} raised in connection with I.S.R. revenue, but so far as a correction of the present practice is concerned, will appear to be a matter for your attention.

C. H. B. Davis

(C. H. B. DAVIS) Major, R.S.
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FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

AGENDA FOR EIGHTH MEETING

MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER 1945

1. Matters arising out of seventh meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee.
2. Matters arising out of tenth meeting of Allied Rly Board.
3. Responsibility for payment of rail movement of refugees and displaced persons.
4. Arrangements made by U.S. Navy re repairs to I.S.R. Rolling stock at Palermo Naval Yard.
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6. Any other business.

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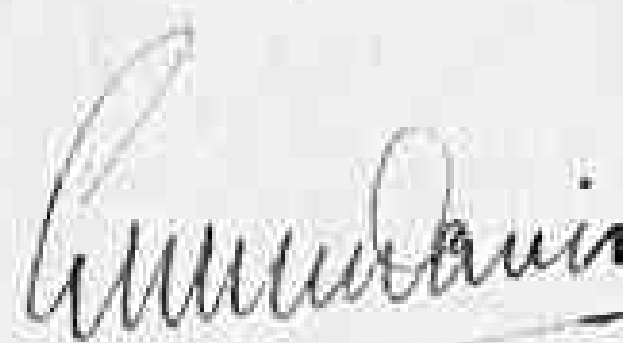
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1. Will you please forward any items for inclusion in the agenda of the next meeting of the above sub-Committee in time to reach this Office by 12.00 hrs 1 Nov 45.



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22 September 1945

To : Director General.
Italian State Railways.

Copy to : Tn. Sub-Commission. A.C.

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1. Your letter was received and translated after the ninth meeting of the Allied Railway Board had confirmed the minutes of the Finance sub-Committee, and it is felt that if there had been objection to any of the minutes registered thereon, the matter should have been ventilated at that time.

2. It is however noted with appreciation that there is no objection to the printing of the rail tickets by the stores branch of the I.S.R. and, in view of the fact that the tickets are valid for actual journeys and are not warrants to be exchanged for tickets at a railway station, there would appear to be no insurmountable difficulty in carrying out the sub-committee's decision to which your representatives were a party.

L. C. Parnell

(L.C. PARNELL) Lt. Col. RE
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MINUTE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 1945

1. Matters arising out of previous meeting of the Committee.
2. Matters arising out of future meeting of Allied Rly Board.
3. Responsibility for payment of rail movement of refugees and displaced persons.
4. Arrangements made by U.S. Navy re repairs to I.C.R. Rolling Stock at Palermo Naval Yard.
5. Limitation of military documentation for A.C. sponsored traffic.
6. Any other business.

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MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING

OF THE

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HELD IN

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

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1 SEPTEMBER 1945.

PRESENT:-

Lt.Col.	L.C. PANSELL.	R.E.	A.D.Tn.(Finance), M.R.S. in the Chair.
Major.	A.C. PING.	}	Transportation Sub-
Major.	J.W. GILL.		Commission. A.C.
Capt.	K.S. LUDDEN.	U.S.A.	Auditing Officer, M.R.S.
Capt.	C. WOODSWORTH.	R.E.	S/Capt. Tn.(Mech). M.R.S.
Ing.	C. RIACCI.		Chief of Stores Service. I.S.R.
Dott.	E. OLLARI		Chief of Finance Service. I.S.R.
Ing.	GRANDI.		Chief of Traction Service. I.S.R.
Dott.	C. D'ALLASSANDRO.	}	Commercial Section.
S.	A. MALCHIODI.		S/Capt. Tn.(Finance) - Secretary.
Capt.	E.R.A. ALMAN.	R.E.	Interpreter.
Dott.	E. MAUTNER.		

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MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING. 1283

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The minutes of the last meeting, held on 4 Aug. 45, were adopted after the following points had been raised :-

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37.

Payment by I.S.R. for repairs to rolling stock by private firms: Wagon Lits (Rome), Benbrini Perodo Defino (Colliferro), Cecchetti (Civiltova Marone) and Meridionale.

The Chairman said that at the last meeting of the Sub-Commission it was stated by the I.S.R. representatives that although coefficients had been agreed by the I.S.R. with the Contractors they were still awaiting agreement by the Minister of Transport, except in the case of Wagon Lit which had already been agreed. The Chairman asked if the coefficients for the other contractors had now been agreed. I.S.R. representatives stated that a new organisation known as the Railway Board was being formed which had full powers to agree the coefficients. The first meeting of this Board would take place in a few days and consequently a decision should be reached very soon.

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Warranting arrangements for Allied and Italian Civilians employed by A.C., U.N.R.R.A., and other organisations.

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After some discussion it was agreed that A.C. (Major PING) should give the necessary authority to I.S.R. (Ing. BRACCI) to have the warrants printed; that I.S.R. should make whatever internal arrangements they thought necessary to control the issue of the warrants in order to prevent their illegal use; that U.N.R.R.A. would be notified that they would have to indent direct on I.S.R. for their supply of warrants; that if the I.S.R. thought it necessary the payment for the printing could be referred to A.C. (for warrants issued to A.C.) and to U.N.R.R.A. (for warrants issued to U.N.R.R.A.) Major PING stated that if the cost was referred to him he would pass the matter through the correct channel.

43. Railway Freight costs in connection with wheat for Austria.

The Chairman said that a letter had been written to G.4 (Mov & Trn) A.F.H.Q. stating that the question had arisen as to the conditions under which consignments of supplies for Civil distribution in Austria pass over the Italian State Railway system and citing the 25,000 tons of wheat quoted by Major PING as an example of this traffic. He added that a decision had been asked for in respect of financial arrangements if any which would have to be made in order to afford some system of credit to the Italian State Railway, if this traffic did not fall within the category of free carriage under Armistice Terms. In the meantime, records were being maintained of all traffic including military which passed through Italy and consequently if subsequent adjustment was found necessary the statistics would be available. It was agreed that nothing could be done at present.

44. Exchange of Proportional Division Sheets between Italy and Venezia Giulia.

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Railway Siding Charges.

The Chairman stated that this matter had been discussed at earlier meetings but was being brought up again because of a letter which had been written by the I.S.R. saying that the former opinion of the Finance Sub-Committee was not expressed in a categorical manner and consequently had not been acted upon.

The former minute stated that so far as the military forces were concerned no payment could be made under the terms of user of the Railway but in the case of A.C. sponsored civilian traffic under I.S.R. documentation there seemed to be no difficulty for the I.S.R. or the Siding owners to make the necessary recovery.

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Major PING stated that there was NO domestic A.C. traffic and consequently all traffic sponsored by A.C. could be considered as Civil and normal I.S.R. documentation should apply to this.

It was agreed that there would be no payment made for traffic for the Allied Military Forces but ALL Civil traffic (including that sponsored by A.C.) would be dealt with under internal arrangements made by the consignee.

Payment for Wagon Repairs at Castellamare di Stabia.

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Chairman, Finance Sub-Committee,
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 Director General, I.S.R.
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 Auditing Officer, M.R.S.
 Mov & Tn. Liaison. (Building).
 Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R. (Ing. Bracci).
 Chief of Finance Dept., I.S.R. (Dott. Cleari).
 Chief of Fraction Service, I.S.R. (Ing. Grandi).
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 Allied Railway Board.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.
(Rail Division)
% TRANSPORTATION (BR) MAIN, C. M. F.

Tel. 843836
Ref. AC/292/5/Tn4

14 September 1945

SUBJECT : Warranting of POL on Civilian Account.
TO : Italian State Railways.

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1. Arrangements are being made for local adjustments at Bari, whereby IIR personnel can be present at the ANIC siding in order to insure that the normal ISR documentation being used in respect of all traffic loaded from the siding on civilian account.

2. Will you please say if there is any difficulty in the handling of similar traffic in the Naples, Genoa, Ancona and Venice areas. It may have been possible for ISR in those areas to get back at once to the normal form of documentation of traffic moving on civilian account, but if this is not so, every effort will be made for this to be done at the earliest possible date.



for Director

Subject: Warranting of POL on
Civilian Account.

Allied Force Headq. ers
G-4 (Mov & Tn)
Tel: Freedom 878

Mov 3/317/3

To : AC Transportation Sub-
Commission (Rail)
Division.

11 Sep 45

Copy to: ST Pet

1. In accordance with your letter AC/292/5/TN.4 dated 28 Aug 45, 312 BPSS are being instructed to introduce ISR documentation in respect of all traffic loaded on civilian account.
2. The date on which transfer from military to ISR documentation is to be effected has been delegated to local arrangement between Mov BARI in consultation with ISR and Depot representatives.
3. Will you please advise whether it is intended to extend the revised procedure to other ST installations. The following installations are at present loading on civilian account:-

NAPLES
GENOA

ANCONA
VENICE


H.W.R.F. ELLIS, Major
for Brigadier,
DCMG (Mov & Tn).

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Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
 Railway Board,
 c/o Railway Railway Service,
 C. . .
 Tel. Pabex Bt. 2353 and 2350.
 Address Pabex 24307 and 243126.
 Nos. 243126/243127/243128.
 30 August 1945.

1279

Subject: Seventh Meeting - Finance Sub-Committee
 of the Allied Railway Board.

To: See Distribution.

1. The seventh meeting of the above Sub-Committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Saturday 1st September 1945 in Room 176 (2nd floor) Ministry of Communications Building.

2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.

3. Copy of agenda attached hereto.

(Signature)

(M.A.A. 11119) Capt. R.D.
 For Chairman,
 Finance Sub-Committee,
 Allied Railway Board.

Distribution: Finance Sub-Committee A.O. (Col. Greenham),
 D.O.M. (Const.),
 D.O.M. (Tech.),
 Lt. Col. de Lisle, L.O.S. (for auditing officer).

1. The seventh meeting of the above sub-committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Saturday 1st September 1945 in Room 17A (2nd floor) Ministry of Communications Building.

2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.

3. Copy of agenda enclosed hereto.

F. Wilson

(T. H. A. M. D. S. Dept. Sec.
for Chairman,
Planning sub-committee,
Allied Military Board.

- Distribution:
- :- Planning sub-committee A.C. (Col. Greenham).
 - Col. M. (Const.).
 - Col. M. (Tech).
 - Col. M. (S. H. A. S. (for auditing officer).
 - Planning sub-committee A.C. (Building).
 - Major Richardson.
 - Building Major Barnes.
 - Chief of Plans Service. I.C.S. (Reg. Brown).
 - Finance Dept. I.C.S. (Capt. Clouston).
 - Production Dept. I.C.S. (Reg. Green).

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD.AGENDA FOR SEVENTH
MEETING.SATURDAY 1 SEPT. 1945.

1. Matters arising out of sixth Meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee.
2. Exchange of proportional division sheets between Italy and Venezia Giulia.
3. Payment of Siding Charges.
4. Payment of Wagon repairs at Castellammare di Stabia.
5. Matters arising out of the eighth Meeting of the Allied Railway Board.
6. Any other business.

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292/5

Finance sub-committee of Allied
Railway Board,
c/o Military Railway Service,
G. S. S.
Tel. Wirebox ext. 9333 and 9350
Outside line 8,3437 and 8,3126
Ref. M.A./S/G/1/61

28 August 1945.

Subject. :- Finance sub-committee,
Allied Railway Board.

To. :- see distribution.

1. Will you please forward any item for inclusion in the agenda of the next meeting of the above sub-committee in time to reach this office by 12.00 hours 30 August 1945.

R. Allmon
(E. L. L. ALMON) Capt. R.E.
for Chairman,
Finance sub-committee,
Allied Railway Board.

Distribution. :- Finance sub-committee L.C. (Col. Greenham)
L.C. M. (Const.).
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Lt. Col. de Lisle. L.C. (for writing (floor)).
The sub-committee L.C. (Building)
" " " " (Major Richardson)
" " " " (Building Major Barnes) ✓
Chief of Stores Service. L.C. (Mr. Bracci)
" Finance Dept. L.C. (Mott, Clerk)
" Traction Dept. L.C. (Mr. Green).

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.
(Rail Division)
% TRANSPORTATION (BR) MAIN, C. M. F.

Tel. 843838
Ref. AG/292/5/Tn4

28 August 1945

SUBJECT : Warranting of P. O. L. on
Civilian Account.

TO : G-4 (Mov. & Tr), AFHQ.

1. Reference is to attached copy of communication to Chairman,
Finance Sub-Committee of Allied Railway Board.

2. This question arises from the fact that from the ANIC siding
at Bari, traffic passes both for Allied Military needs and for Italian
civilian use.

3. It has been the practice to use British Military Warrants
for such traffic and this causes unnecessary labor both for MRS and this
Sub-Commission in insuring that appropriate charges are listed when the
traffic passes on civilian account.

4. Will you therefore, take the matter up with the Military
Authorities concerned in order that the Italian State Railways can use
their own form of documentation for non-military traffic.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. C. FINE
Major

Copy to: Senior Transportation Officer
Bari

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ACP/lnl

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.
(Rails Division)
% TRANSPORTATION (EC) MAIN, C. E. F.

23 August 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/292/5/Tn4

SUBJECT : Warranting of P. O. L on
Civilian Account.
TO : Chairman, Finance Sub-Committee.

1. Reference is to your letter Tn. A/F/1/281 of 9 July 1945.
2. Inquiries have been made at Bari by our local officer and it is understood that the Unit which controls the ANIC petrol installations (312 BPSS) states that there will be no difficulty from their point of view in using civilian documentation for movement of Military traffic from the ANIC plant.
3. 312 BPSS would have to be instructed by 11-CRASC that such documentation was required. It is understood that the ESR could commence their normal method of working as soon as these instructions are issued.
4. I am therefore, writing G-4 (Mov. & Tn.) AFHQ to ask them to arrange for the cessation of the use of military documents for civilian traffic emanating from ANIC sidings Bari.

for Director

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Subject:- Military Warrants for Civilian Traffic.

Senior Tn Officer AC, BARI
Tel.: 12519,
Ref.: R41/1047

23 August 1945

To:- Transportation Sub-Commission
Allied Commission (Rail Div)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main, C.M.F.

Reference your AC/44/Tn 4 dated 18 July and attached papers now returned.

1. The Unit which controls the ANIC Petrol Installation (312 BPSS) 5 states that there would be no difficulty from their point of view in using civilian documentation for non Military Traffic from the ANIC Plant.
2. 312 BPSS would have to be instructed by 11 CRASC that such documentation was required.
3. There would be no difficulty from the ISR point of view.


Major RA,
(C.W.G. TAYLOR),
Senior Tn Officer AC,
Bari.

GT.

Subject:- Warranting of P.O.L. on
Civilian Account.

Military Railway Service,
C.M.W.

Tel. Firebox Ext. 9350.

Outside Line 843126.

Ref. Tn.A/T/1/281.

9 July 1945.

To :- Tn Sub-Commission A.C.,
Building. ✓

Copy to:- Mov. Liaison Officer, M.R.S. Building.

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1. Further to conversation; Majors Ping - Davis.
2. Copies of S&T Instructions AFHQ/2116/ST2(a) dated 26 June 45 (Movement of RCWs on account of CIP) and S&T letter AFHQ/2111/ST2(a) dated 2 July 45 (Charges by Italian State Railways to ANIC, Bari) are attached for your information.
3. You will see from the above that there is a good deal of civilian rail traffic being warranted on British Military Freight Warrants - duly marked for recovery by the ISR. In view of Memo No.4 issued by you under ref. 383/4/Tn.3 on 29 Feb 45, it is thought that this traffic should perhaps be moved under ISR direct documentation, the relative charges for which would then be paid to the ISR at the time.
4. Will you please investigate the matter and take any action possible to obviate the un-necessary use of AB.497A, since the use of the latter, in this case, simply means that the warrants have to be handed back (after approval by Tn Sub-Commission) by this Service to the ISR at a later date.

G.H.B. Davis

(G.H.B. DAVIS) Major. R.E.
for Brigadier.

Director, Military Railway Service.

Enclos.

COPY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

S.T. BRANCH.

SUBJECT:- Movement of RCWs on account of CIP.

AFHQ/2116/ST2(a)
Tel. FREEDOM 741 & 662.26 June 45.CRASC, 11 Petroleum Installations.
CRASC, 12 Petroleum Installations.
CRASC, 14 Petroleum Installations.

1. The question of the manner in which settlement should be made for the movement of RCWs on account of CIP has been raised by that organisation. 1278
2. This matter was the subject of instructions issued by DDST, HQ AAI in 4351/ST2 dated 21 May 44, following a conference by all interested parties.
3. The relevant portion of these instructions states:-
"Freight Warrants will be clearly marked to indicate that despatches are made on behalf of CIP and the necessary charges against CIP will be made by DCMRS".
4. In view of the enquiry by CIP, it would appear that these instructions are not being complied with and that no charges have so far been raised against CIP.
5. Please inform this Directorate as soon as possible whether all relative freight warrants are clearly marked as instructed and, if not, what other form of documentation is being carried out to enable proper segregation of charges to be made.

(sgd) C.W. SMELLIE, Major,
for Major-General,
Director of Supplies & Transport.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH.

SUBJECT:- Charges by Italian State Railways
to ANIC, Bari.

AFHQ/2111/ST2(a).

Tel FREEDOM 741 & 662.

2 July 45.D.M.P.S., C.M.F.

1. Reference your Tn.A/F/1/255 dated 28 May 45.
2. Rail traffic in and out of ANIC Refinery Bari may be classified as follows:-
 - (a) Allied Military Traffic.
 - (b) Traffic against CIP commitments for Italian Civil.
 - (c) Civilian traffic for ANIC private enterprise.
3. As regards
 - 2(a) no charges are recoverable from ANIC or CIP all traffic being consigned under military documentation.
 - 2(b) this traffic is loaded and despatched as military traffic, freight warrants being marked to indicate that the relative despatches are made on behalf of CIP. It is understood that CIP has paid all charges for such traffic since 1 Jan 45 as payment is now insisted upon before unloading is commenced. The question of charges for the period prior to the 1st Jan 45 is understood to be under consideration by the appropriate department of the Italian Government.
 - 2(c) between Oct 43 and May 45 a total of 18 trucks were handled in this category and the relative charges are payable by ANIC.
4. This Directorate is informed that from October 1943 until April 1944 ANIC paid the charges levied for all military traffic but as soon as the Armistice terms became known ceased to acknowledge any indebtedness in respect thereof and applied for a refund of all payments made up to that time.

(sgd) G.N. SMYTHIE, Major,
For Major-General,
Director of Supplies & Transport.

Subject:- Bari Parco Nord Junction Track -

A.N.I.C.

Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.

Tel. Firebox Ext. 9350.
Outside Line 343126.
Ref. Tn.A/F/1/279.

7 July 1945.

To :- Director General, I.S.R.,
Ministry of Transports,
Building.

Copy to:- Tn Sub-Commission A.C., Building. ✓

1. Reference your PAG/24/46569/IOCA/3060/25 dated 3 Mar 45 addressed ¹¹² to Sub-Commission, M.M.I.A.

2. Rail traffic entering and leaving the A.N.I.C. refinery is of three types:-

- (a) Allied Military Traffic.
- (b) C.I.P. traffic for Italian Civilian use.
- (c) Civilian traffic (A.N.I.C. private enterprise).

3. British Military Railway warrants are used for 2(a) on which, of course, no payment is made. The same type of warrants are used for 2(b) with a special endorsement that the traffic is moved on behalf of C.I.P. So far as 2(c) is concerned, it is understood that a total of 18 wagons were handled between Oct 43 and May 45 on which A.N.I.C. should have paid the normal civilian charges direct to the I.S.R.

4. With regard to the charge of 3 lire per wagon entering the refinery levied by you against A.N.I.C., this appears to be payable by them on 2(b) and 2(c). All Military warrants, on which freight charges are known to be recoverable by the I.S.R. from civilian undertakings, are passed to your office, and it is suggested that you base your charge of 3 lire per wagon etc. on such documents. Furthermore, a copy of every British Military warrant is always handed to the I.S.R. station-master at the despatching point, so that earlier action could be taken on these, if you so desire. Presumably, you should collect all amounts due on traffic of the type mentioned

Copy to:- Tn Sub-Commission A.C., Building. ✓

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785021

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to Sub-Commission, M.M.I.A.

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that earlier action could be taken on these, if you so desire. Presumably,
you will automatically collect all amounts due on traffic of the type mentioned
in 2(c) in the normal manner.

5. By adopting this method, you will have a check on the A.N.I.C.
traffic generally and it should be possible to ensure that they are paying
all relative I.S.E. charges on purely civilian traffic passing on their
account.

L. M. Davis

(G.H.B. DAVIS) Major. R.E.
for Brigadier.
Director, Military Railway Service.

Subject:- Parco Nord Junction track Anic used by Allied H.Q.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) RCH.
Q/10
10 July 1945.

To:-

H.Q. A.C. for Transportation Sub Commission.

Further to our Q/10 dated 6 March 1945.

Enclosed letters from Ministry of Transport for
any action you think necessary.

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J. J. J. J.

R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. K. I. A.

Encl. Letter Ministero dei Trasporti PAC.22/ICCA/5292/25 dated 5 July 45.
" " " " K.PAC.24/46569/ICCA.3060/25 dated
" " " " 3 March 1945.

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MINISTERO DEI TRASPORTI
 MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI
 FERROVIE DELLO STATO - DIREZIONE GENERALE
 (1) SERVIZIO P.A.O.

Roma, 10 AGO 1945

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N. PAG. 22/ICCA/5902/25

At N. del

OGGETTO: Bari-Parco Nord
 Raccordo ANIC utilizzato dal
 Comando Alleato

SUB COMMISSIONE M.M.I.A.
 MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY

Acc: 1

ROMA

Per poter definire la questione in oggetto, data la continue premure che vengono rivolte al riguardo dall'Azienda Nazionale Idro-
 Genazioni Combustibili, proprietaria del raccordo a Bari Parco Nord,
 richiesto dalle Autorità Alleate, si prega di voler dare cortese ris-
 scontro alla lettera del 3 marzo U.S.N. PAG. 24/46569/ICCA/3000/25,
 già sollecitata col foglio pari numero del 27 aprile U.S.N. e della qua-
 le si rinette copia.

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IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Lud. Rai...

All 1 also letter
PAG/ee
also Sub Commissioner M.M.I.A
Military Mission Italian Army
Rome

MINISTERO DEI TRASPORTI
SERVIZIO P.A.G.

Roma 3 Marzo 1945
N.PAG. 24/46569/1CCA.3060/25

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE DELLA MILITARY
COMMISSION ITALIAN ARMY
Bari-Parco Nord
Raccordo A.N.I.C. utilizzato
dal Comando Alleato

L'Azienda Nazionale Idrogenazione Combustibili "A.N.I.C." non ha interesse alcuno al terreno a Bari-Parco Nord, di sua proprietà, è stato requisito insieme all'annesso stabilimento, in dall'ottobre 1943 dalle Autorità Alleate in quanto lo ritengono parte integrante della rete ferroviaria, ne rivolto vive premure a questa Direzione Generale intesa ad ottenere il rimborso delle somme già pagate alle F.S. per tasse di esercizio dall'ottobre 1943 al marzo 1944 e che le siano sospesi gli addebiti fattili dall'aprile 1944 in poi.

Per potere esaminare l'esposto surriferito si pregherebbe di far conoscere quali rapporti debbono intercedere fra le F.S., le Ditte raccordate e le Autorità Alleate per l'esercizio da parte di queste, dei raccordi privati.

Si gradirebbe pure di conoscere se le prefate Autorità abbiano eventualmente stabilito di corrispondere all'A.N.I.C. un compenso per l'occupazione del suo stabilimento di Bari.

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Ministry of Transports

I.S.R. Direction General

PAG. Service

Rome 5 JUN 1945

PAG. 22/ICCA/5292/25

Subject:

Bari Parco Nord

and siding used by

Allied HQ.

To M.M.I.A. Sub Commission

Military Mission Italian Army

R o m e

To settle the a/m matter, as we are being continuously urged on the matter by "Azienda Nazionale Idrogenazione Combustibili" owner of the Bari Parco Nord siding, requisitioned by Allied Authorities, you are kindly requested to reply to our letter N. PAG/24/46569/ICCA/3060/25 dated March 3, 1945. The a/m letter was urged by note, same reference dated April 27, whereof copy is attached.

The Director General

Signed: Di Raimondo

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The Director General

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Ministry of Transports
I S R Direction General

TAQ Service

Rome 3 Marzo 1945
PAG/24/46569/ICCA 3060/25

Sub Commission MMIA

Military Mission Italia Army

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Subject:

Bari Parco Nord
Junction track ANIC
used by Allied HQ

The Azienda Nazionale Idrogenazione Combustibili (ANIC) inform that the junction track at Bari Parco Nord, being their property, has been requisitioned, together with the neighbouring plant, by the Allied Authorities since October 1943, as these Authorities believe that the above track be an essential part of the railway system.

Said Firm urged our General Direction to be reimbursed of the amounts already paid to I S R for operation incomes from October 1943 to March 1944, also asking that the accounts charged them from April 1944 on be suspended.

To be enabled to examine the above application, please let us know which agreements are to be taken among I S R, the Firms furnished with junction tracks and the Allied Authorities, concerning the operation of private junction tracks by these Authorities.

Also let us know whether said Authorities decided to pay the ANIC for the occupation of their plant at Bari.

These informations are required for the above question, as well as for any such question that could be pointed out by some other Firm furnished with junction track, and could be therefore submitted to our General Direction.

Director General

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Director General
signed Di Raimondo

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.
(Rail Division)
% TRANSPORTATION (ER) MAIN, C. M. F.

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Tel. 843258

28 August 1945

Ref. AC/292/5/Tn4

SUBJECT : Payment of Siding Charges.

TO : Chairman, Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

1. Reference is to Minute 41 of the Finance Sub-Committee Meeting held on the 4th of August 1945.

2. Attached hereto is a copy of a letter received from the ISR in which they suggest that the Chairman's decision at the previous Sub-Committee Meeting was not definite enough for their requirements.

3. It is appreciated that Minute 41 leaves the matter to ISR and AC for settlement, but you will note that the ISR are still prepared to pursue the question of traffic emanating from sidings when the plants in the sidings are working on behalf of the Allies.

4. In the circumstances, perhaps you can arrange for a further discussion at the next meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee in order that the ISR can be quite clear on the procedure.

5. So far as the ANIC siding at Bari is concerned a separate communication is being sent you with information as to the means whereby the ISR can get back to their ordinary form of documentation.

for Director

Attachment:

As stated in
Paragraph 2.

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YMinistry of Transports
I S R Direction General

Movement Service

Subject : Payment of Siding Charges.

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Rome 27 August 1945

N. M 112/1434-25-15-29-1000 6132/1

To: AC Tn Sub-Commission (Bldg.)

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1. With reference to the memorandum submitted to your Sub-Commission on 3 April 1945, requesting your suggestion about payment of siding charges by the Firms grantee of plants joined with ISR stations, when these plants have been requisitioned by the Allied Authorities as they are working on their behalf.

2. Alleging that the matter does not concern your Sub-Commission, you let us know that this had to be submitted to the Finance Sub-Committee; the latter, examined the matter in the meeting held on 12 July 1945, and gave a negative answer, so far as Allied Military movements are concerned, whilst they recognized the ISR right for AC movements, as it results from the attached summary of minute (incl. 1).

3. Also the MRS HQ gave their opinion on the matter, in the case of petroleum movements departing from the branching-off plants of ANIC at Barà, working on Allies' behalf; they suggested that the siding charge, amounting to 3 lire per wagon, (now raised up to 30 lire, should be paid by the siding grantee also when civilian movements are carried out with Allied Military warrants. In order to make this matter clearer to you, we are attaching copy of the letter addressed by MRS HQ to Director General ISR (incl. 2).

4. Anyway, as the opinion of Finance Sub-Committee and MRS has not been expressed in a categorical way, we beg you to decide definitively on this matter, which in our mind should be dealt with as follows:

- a. no charge should be paid to ISR for Allied military movements arriving at or departing from branching-off plants, either requisitioned by the Allied Authorities or not;
- b. all charges concerning allowance of sidings or similar ones should be paid by the grantees for civilian and AC movements, carried out with any warrant (ISR or Allied ones), also when the siding is requisitioned because these charges are in addition to the usual movement charges from a station to another, which are paid also for AC movements. Such additional charges are to be paid for major services rendered by ISR to the branching-off plants, by heading into and from them the arriving or departing wagons, whilst, for all the other users the ISR are obliged only to place wagons at the public yards;
- c. these charges are due also when the siding grantees are shipping wagons on AC's behalf. Obviously, the Allied Authorities who committed to the siding grantees certain movements, should reckon, when fixing the charges due for such services, the major expenses made by the grantees, due to the payment of siding charges to ISR.

5. We are awaiting for your decision on the matter.

Director General
Di Raimondo

Extract from minutes of fifth meeting of
Finance Sub-Commission AC., held on 12 July 1945

(Encl. 1)

Charges for railway sidings.

It was stated that this minute is not clear enough about the I.S.R. situation concerning the increase of charges for railway sidings.

The I.S.R. representatives said that they were interested in an increase of charges for the going in and out of the wagons on the private owned sidings.

They tried to collect these charges from the owners of the sidings at a rate of three lire for wagon, with an additional charge for the shunting.

The owners of the sidings refused to pay these charges alleging that they can't collect them from the actual users of said sidings.

The Chairman stated that the Military traffic has not to pay any charge for using the railways. As for civilian traffic, sponsored by A.C. and forwarded with I.S.R. warrants it seems that the ISR or the owners of the sidings should not meet any difficulty for the collections.

As for civilian traffic forwarded with military warrants, the handing over of said warrants to I.S.R. for the collection will be made according to the agreements already in force.

Sgt. Maj. S.H.B. Davis
for Chairman

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Subject: Bari to Nord Junction Track.
A.N.I.C.

(Encl. 2)
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE
C. M. F.
Tel. Firebix Ext. 9350.
Outside line 843126
Ref. Tn.A/P/1/279.

7 July 1945 **1263**

To : Director General I.S.R.,
Ministry of Transporte,
Bldg.

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MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING

OF THE

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HELD IN

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

ON

4 AUGUST 1945

PRESENT:-

Lt.Col.	L.C. FANWELL	A.D.Tn.(Finance), M.R.S. in the Chair.
Major	A.C. PING	Transportation Sub-
Major	BARNES	Commission, A.C.
Capt.	H. INGLIS	S/Capt, Tn.(Constr), M.R.S.
Lieut.	K.S. DUDDEY	Auditing Officer, M.R.S.
Ing.	C. BRACCI	Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R.
Dott.	E. CLERI	Chief of Finance Service, I.S.R.
Ing.	G. TONNI	Chief of Traction Service, I.S.R.
Capt.	E.R.A. ALLISON	S/Capt., Tn.(Finance) - Secretary.
Dott.	E. MAUNTER	Interpreter.

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MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 12 July 45, were adopted after the following points had been raised:-

Minute No.

28.

Railway Siding Charges.

Referring to the meeting held on 30 April 45, the I.S.R. representative, Dott. Oleari, stated that there were still some problems outstanding regarding Railway Siding Charges but these would be taken up by the Movements Department, I.S.R., direct with the Sub-Commission. This was agreed.

37.

Payment by I.S.R. for repairs to rolling stock by private firms: Wagon Lits (Rcae), Bombrini Parodo Defino (Colleferro), Cecchetti (Civitnova Marche) and Meridionale.

The Chairman pointed out to the I.S.R. representatives that the Allied Railway Board had called for a full report regarding the progress made in paying these contractors.

I.S.R. representative, Ing. Tonni, reported that coefficients had now been agreed with the contractors at the following rates.

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The Chairman said that it must be made abundantly clear to the contractor that this was an "on account" payment which would be held against the settlement of his outstanding accounts. The committee agreed that acting on the authority of this minute a letter would be written by General Di Raimondo to the Minister of Finance agreeing with him that Cecchetti will be notified that the payment of the 30,000,000 lire was "on account" of his outstanding accounts.

38.

Warranting arrangements for Allied and Italian Civilians employed by A.C., U.N.R.R.A., and other organizations.

Major Ping stated that the I.S.R. had proposed a railway warrant which was in three portions. The first would be used by the passenger as a rail ticket; the second would be collected by the I.S.R. and on this they would make recoveries; the third would remain in the book as a record for the issuing organization. This type of warrant was suggested to save congestion at Booking Offices. Major Ping made the observation that warrantbooks could be easily printed by some unauthorised person and used for travel but I.S.R. continued to maintain that the warrant suited their purposes. The committee agreed to this in principle and the Chairman urged that the system be brought into force as soon as possible. Major Ping said that no date for commencement

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could be stated owing to the delay in printing the warrants and advising each Capo Compartimento of the system but agreed that this delay should be brought to a minimum.

Major Ping stated that I.S.R. would present invoices to the Treasury for A.C. traffic but as yet a system had not been agreed for the recovery from U.N.R.R.A. At this point the Chairman stated that this system of warranting excluded all non-military bodies connected with the Army such as E.F.I., C.V.W.W., etc. These would continue to use military warrants as in the past.

42.

Seventh Meeting of the Allied Railway Board.
There were no points for discussion arising out of this meeting.

43.

Railway Freight Costs in connection with Wheat for Austria.
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This was agreed.

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING

OF THE

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HELD IN

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

ON

12 JULY 1945

PRESENT:-

Lt. Col.	L. C. PANNELL	A. D. Tn. (Finance), M. A. S. in the Chair.
Colonel	H. C. CRAIGHEAD	Chief Accountant, A. C.
Major	F. P. RICHARDSON	Transportation Sub-
Major	A. C. PING	Commission, A. C.
Major	S. A. WEBSTER	D. A. D. Tn. (Mech), M. A. S.
Major	G. H. B. DAVIS	D. A. D. Tn. (Finance), M. A. S.
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25. MINUTES OF THE LAST R. T. G.

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 30 April 45 were adopted and the following points noted relative thereto:-

Minute No.

22. Handing over arrangements (M.R.S. to A.C.) for food supplies to
(8) ISR Contractors and method of recording such issues against the ISR.

MAJOR PING reported that he had been unable to get any further in this matter and suggested that nothing would be gained by pressing Food Commission for a definite statement.

CHAIKIN stated that under existing contracts, rations would continue to be issued on present basis.

22. Accounting for Military Stores issued to A.C. for I.S.R.
(10) Construction Projects.

MAJOR PING reported that the procedure for shewing Job Nos. on A.C. Indents was now being followed and that all concerned had been instructed as to the procedure.

22. Costing of M.D. Mechanical Transport used in Reconstruction Projects.
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25. Railway Siding Charges.

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- It was stated that this minute did not clearly explain the I.S.A. case for raising railway siding charges.
- I.S.A. Representatives said that they were concerned with the raising of charges for placing wagons in and out of private sidings which they had attempted to collect from the siding owners at the rate of 3 lire per wagon and there was also a charge for switching.
- The private owners had refused to pay these charges on the grounds that they were unable to collect from the actual users of the sidings.
- THE CHAIRMAN explained that so far as the military forces were concerned no payment could be made under the term of user of the railway, but in the case of A.C. sponsored civilian traffic under I.S.A. documentation there seemed to be no difficulty for the I.S.A. or the siding owners to make the necessary recovery.
- The case of civilian traffic on military warrants would be covered by the arrangements already in force for handing over such warrants to the I.S.A. for collection.

/s/ Recovery of Payments.....

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32. Recovery of Payments for Sardinian Coal Supplies, financed by I.S.R.

R.S. AUDITING OFFICER reported that Sardinian coal was not used in locomotives and that he had no knowledge of any of this coal being used by the I.S.R. He quoted from notes of a meeting attended by the fiscal officer that "no payment is to be made by the military for coal, including Sardinian".

COLONEL CRAIG SHA stated that payment for coal exported was a matter for settlement between receiving Countries and the Italian Government. The question of any recovery of funds by the Italian State railways was a matter to be settled between themselves and the Ministry of Finance.

34. Financial Arrangements for I.S.R. in Northern Italy.

Mr. Craig A. said that arrangements for financing of Compartimenti in the Northern Areas had been agreed between I.S.R. and A.C. (Budget Section). In order to exercise control over all sections of the I.S.R., budget estimates would be sent by Compartimenti in the first instance to the Director General, I.S.R. for his approval, after which they would be scanned by A.C. to ensure that only approved projects were included. Finally they would be passed to A.C. Budget Officer for examination and necessary allocation of funds.

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36. RIRRA AND SIRMOUNTING OF ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD.

There were no points for discussion arising out of these

meetings.

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Mr. CHALMERS asked the I.S.R. representatives what progress had been made with completions of contracts for wagon repairs by these firms.

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Bontrini	-	Coefficient 120.
Agon Lits	-	Coefficient 103.
Meridionale	-	Coefficient 120.

THE CHAIRMAN welcomed the agreement with Cecchetti and hoped that the other firms would accept the offers made in view of the very high rates they had been claiming. It would however be understood that the only interest A.S.S. had in these contracts was to ensure continuity of supplies.

THE CHAIRMAN then asked whether, in view of the fact that work had been proceeding for over six months, any payments had been made to these Contractors.

MAJOR DAVIS read an extract from a letter claiming that these firms had received no payment whatever since commencement of the work.

/THE CHAIRMAN asked what.....

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(Cont). these firms in funds to meet their high commitments.

I.S.R. Representatives said that they had now received an authority from the Finance Minister to make an 'on account' payment to Cecchetti of 30,000,000 lire.

In a reply to a question, the I.S.R. Representatives

admitted that this was the first payment.

Some discussion took place as to the reasons for non-payment

and the I.S.R. Representatives stated that they had received no complaints from these Contractors.

THE CHAIRMAN said that it was impossible for these firms to meet their commitments over a long period of time if no payment was made to them, and pending an agreement as to financial terms, asked the I.S.R. to make an immediate payment on an 'on account' basis on the original contract figure if the new coefficient had not proved acceptable. He wished the I.S.R. Representatives to advise him in writing when such payments had been made and for a general statement to be made on the whole position at the next meeting.

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COLONEL CRA SNA said that this matter involved certain principles which would require consideration and it was stated that a further report would be made at the next meeting.

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THE CHAIRMAN in reply said that the H.B.S. did not work out estimates, they merely specified the type of work and the cost was estimated and included in the Budget estimates put up by the I.S.R.

40. ACCOUNTS OF REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE I.S.R.

AUDITOR GENERAL H.B.S. said that he had been asked by Lt.Col. Barnes, AIDM.S. whether in the statements of rehabilitation and reconstruction costs sent for incorporation in the A.C. Account, costs of American stores, war and equipment hours had been included.

THE CHAIRMAN stated that so far as materials were concerned they were on a cost on user basis and the percentages of American, Lease-Lend and British owned stores would be assessed at a later period. In so far as man-hours and mechanical equipment costs were concerned, these were shown separately in the consolidated statement for British and American.

G. H. Davis

(G. H. DAVIS) Major,
for Chairman, Finance Sub-Committee
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14 July 1945.
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3 August 1945.

Subject. :- ~~Seventh~~ ^{Seventh} Meeting - Finance Sub-Committee
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To. :- See Distribution.

1. ^{Seventh} The ~~Seventh~~ meeting of the above Sub-Committee will be held
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2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.

3. Copy of Agenda attached hereto


(E.A.A. ALIMAN) Capt. R.E.
for Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee.
Allied Railway Board.

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To. :- See Distribution.

1. The ^{12th} meeting of the above sub-committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Saturday 4th August 1945 in room 174 (2nd floor) Ministry of Communications Building.

2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.

3. Copy of agenda attached hereto


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Chief of Reaction Dept I.S.S. (Ing Tenni).

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE
ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD.

AGENDA FOR SIXTH
MEETING.

1256

FRIDAY 4 AUGUST 1945.

1. Minutes arising out of fifth meeting of the Finance sub-committee.
2. Minutes arising out of seventh meeting of Allied railway board.
3. Any other business.

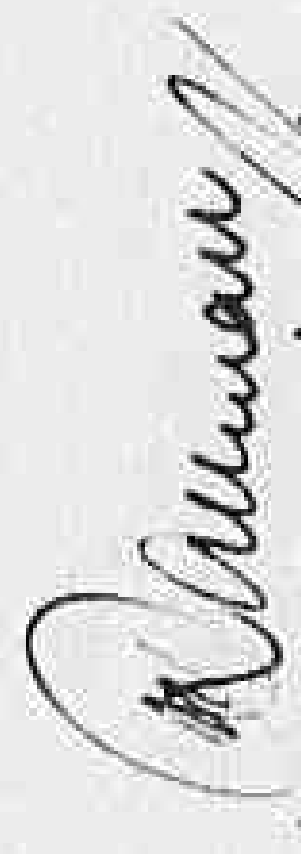
Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
Railway Board,
o/o Military Railway Service,
C. M. F.
Tel. Firebox Ext. 9333 and 9350.
Outside Line 843487 and 843126.
Ref. Tn.A/64/1/56.

31 July 1945. 1255

Subject. :- Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

To. :- See Distribution.

1. Will you please forward any item for inclusion in the Agenda of the
next meeting of the above Sub-Committee in time to reach this office by 12.00 hours
3 Aug. 45.


(E.R.A. ALLIMAN) Capt. R.E.
for Chairman,
Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

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MINUTES OF THE FOURTH
MEETING OF THE
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE
ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD.
HELD IN

1254

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

ON

30 APRIL 1945.

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PRESENT:-

Lt.Col.	L.C.PANNELL	A.D.Tn.(Finance), M.R.S. in the Chair.
Major	A.C.PING	Tn.Sub-Commission, AC.
Capt.	HOLT	Finance Sub-Commission, AC.
Lieut.	K.S.LUDDEN	Auditing Officer, M.R.S.
Capt.	H.INGLIS	S/Capt. Tn.(Const), M.R.S.
Capt.	G.H.B.DAVIS	S/Capt. Tn.(Finance), M.R.S.
Inf.	C.TRACCI	Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R.
Dott.	E.OLLARI	Chief of Finance Dept, I.S.R.
Miss	SCIPLINI	Interpretress.

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Sheet 1.

30. Minutes of the last Meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 7 April 45 were adopted and the following points noted relative thereto:-

1253

Minute No.

22. Handling over arrangements (M.R.S. to A.C.) for food supplies to I.S.R. Contractors and method of recording such issues against the I.S.R.
(3)

Tn. Sub-Commission representative said that this matter was still under discussion with the Food Sub-Commission, although he felt that they should be able to continue any existing arrangements by applying to the appropriate authority for an extension of issues.

The CHAIRMAN stated that it was essential to ensure that existing arrangements would be continued, in the event of AC. taking over a project from the Military, and he requested Tn. Sub-Commission to obtain a definite ruling.

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(15)

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Rental arrangements of workshop (295 Via Tiburtina, Rome) occupied by Meccano Elettrica and owned by Sig. Contin.

24. The CHAIRMAN asked the I.S.R. representative what progress had been made towards settlement of the outstanding rent question between themselves and their contractors, Meccano Elettrica.

In their reply, the I.S.R. representatives said that conversations had been going on, but a solution was difficult as the Contractor appeared to think that he was under the special protection of the M.R.S.

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The CHAIRMAN said that the last thing the M.R.S. wished, was to give the impression that they were prepared to support a contractor to obtain terms or conditions which were considered unreasonable by the I.S.R. It should be clearly understood that the only interest the M.R.S. had was to ensure continuity of supplies, and that the questions of terms of payment were matters entirely for settlement between the Railways and the Contractors, although the M.R.S. was willing to advise, or arbitrate, if called upon to do so.

NOTE. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was announced by Dott. Oleari that the Contractors had now verbally agreed to a monthly deduction of 34,000 lire from his account in consideration of rental he would not now be called upon to pay.

26.

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- (a) Directly to the I.S.R. or
- (b) For incorporation in Railway Rehabilitation Works.

28. Railway Siding Charges.

The I.S.R. representatives expressed their concern over the incidence of siding charges raised against the railways for despatches from and to private sidings connected to their system.

The CHAIRMAN said that under the terms of usage of the railways, the Allied Forces would not pay for any such services. Presumably however, the I.S.R. would maintain a record of siding charges on military traffic and of warranted traffic under A.C. labels for relief purposes in forward areas, in...

Sheet 3.

28. forward areas, in the same way as it was understood they 1252
(cont) were recording freight. In the case of A.C. sponsored
civilian traffic under I.S.R. documentation, it was presumed
the I.S.R. could make all necessary recoveries from consignor
or consignee as the case might be.

As some doubt appeared to exist as to the slings in
question, the I.S.R. representatives promised to produce
necessary details for direct discussion with the Sub-Commission.

Fourth Meeting of Allied Railway Board.

There were no points for discussion arising out of this
meeting.

32. Recoveries Payments for Sardinian Coal Supplies financed
by I.S.R.

I.S.R. representative said that quantities of coal were brought
to this country from Sardinia for disposal and that the
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The CHAIRMAN said that this appeared to be a matter for the
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to report at the next meeting of this Sub-Committee.

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The I.S.R. were unable to trace any indication that the coal had ever
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It was agreed that the I.S.R. should return this account to
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Arrangements for I.S.R. in Northern Italy.

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34. Financial Arrangements for I.S.R. in Northern Italy.

I.S.R. representative produced a letter from the Joint Director, Finance Sub-Commission, indicating the policy regarding the financing of the I.S.R. in Northern Italy.

It was noted that A.M.G. would be responsible for financing the I.S.R. in that area.

L.C. PANNELL. Lt. Col., R.S.
Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

7 May 1945.

Distribution:- See over.

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Ref. Tn.A/F/64/1/51.

10 July 1945.

1251

Subject:- Fifth Meeting - Finance Sub-Committee of the
Allied Railway Board.

To :- See distribution.

1. The Fifth meeting of the above Sub-Committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Thursday 12 July 45 in Room 174 (2nd Floor), Ministry of Communications Building.
2. Will you please arrange to attend or send a representative.
3. Copy of Agenda attached hereto.



(G.H.B. DAVIS) Major. R.E.
for Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee.

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FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE
ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD.

AGENDA FOR FIFTH MEETING.

THURSDAY 12 JULY 1945.

1250

1. Matters arising out of Fourth Meeting of Finance Sub-Committee.
2. Matters arising out of Fifth and Sixth Meetings of Allied Railway Board.
3. Payment by I.S.R. for repairs to rolling stock by private firms, i.e. Wagon Lits (Rome), Bombrini Parodi Desino (Colleferro) and Cecchetti (Civitanova Marche).
4. Warranting arrangements of Allied and Italian civilians employed by A.C., U.M.P.R.A. and other organisations.
5. Any other business.

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AG.,

(RAIL DIVISION)

c/o Transportation (3r) Main,

C. E. F.

ATP/MS.

Ref: AG/176/Ent.

6 July, 45.

SUBJECT: Railway Freight Charges -- Yeast.

TO : M. R. S.,
(Building).

12.8

1. Reference is to your TM A/E/1/272 of 29 June 45.

2. It is agreed that this case is somewhat similar to the problem put by Hemp Control over the supply of raw materials to rope manufacturers who dispose of their finished products both to Allied and civilian purchasers.

3. It is Allied policy that all commodities used by civilian factories shall be conveyed at existing rail tariff charges, and in conjunction with your Department, we have somewhat laboriously got the State Railways back to using their own documentation and accountancy.

4. It is obviously impossible to obtain any real breakdown of proportion of raw material which, in the form of the finished product will be diverted to Allied use, and of course, as with Hemp and Yeast, so can limestone, timber, scrap metal, and any other commodity be partly used as a finished product, and we should have no limit to accounting difficulties.

5. When the question of Hemp arose, we dealt with it fully in conjunction with Finance Sub-Committee, and decided it would not only be undesirable, but almost impossible to undertake split assessment of charges.

6. The rail increase was also Allied policy, and as it is presumed that the increase in the price of Yeast will take its rightful place in the costs of Allied occupation, there is really very little in the matter. In any case, all traffic passing on the AG civilian programme is subject to payment to LHR of appropriate rail charges.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Arthur J. M.
Major.

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For the Chief Commissioner:

Arthur J. M.
Major.

Copy to: Finance sub-Commission, AG.
Movements (Rail), M. S. C.
ISA - General Direction.

Subject:- Railway Freight Charges.

Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.
Tel. Firebox Ext. 9333.
Outside Line 843487.
Ref. Tn.A/F/1/272.

24 June 1945.

To :- Tn Sub-Commission,
(Rail Division),
Building.

L. May I have your comments on attached which appear to be somewhat of an analogy to the supply of Hemp - a question which you brought up at a meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee of the Allied Railway Board.



(L.C. PANSELL) Lt.Col., RE.
for Brigadier.

Director, Military Railway Service.

Enclos.

1218

COPY.

Subject:- Railway Charges.

Allied Force Headquarters,
G-4(Mov & Tn),
Tel. Freedom 320.

Mov 3/301/2.

To :- Tn Finance, ROME.

25 Jun 45.

Attached please find copy of a letter from Mov
BARI which is self-explanatory. May we have your comments
please.

(sgd) W.S.C. BOSWELL, Major,
for Brigadier.
DQMG(Mov & Tn).

1247

COPY.

Subject:- Railway Freight Charges.

HQ Movements Bari Area.

MTR/161.

23 Jun 45.

To :- G-4(Mov & Tn)
 Mov 3
AFHQ.

1. Quoted below is a letter which has been received from AFHQ Representative Local Resources, 22 CRASC Supply Units.

1. The Yeast Factory at Barletta, although operated by Civilians with assistance of AC is producing yeast almost exclusively for the British and American Forces.

2. At the end of May, the Directors presented to this office new costings for the month of June which appeared excessive, and upon further examination, it was discovered that the increase in price was partly due to railway charges for the transport of the Molasses used in the manufacture of yeast.

3. It is understood that the policy laid down exempts the W.D. of all freight charges for material transported by the Italian State Railways. However, since the factory is operated by Civilians and is furthermore producing certain quantities for civilian consumption, there appears to be an element of doubt as to whether a charge of some sort should be made or not.

4. May this matter please be taken up by you and the position clarified.

2. As the traffic in molasses passes from civilian consignor to civilian consignee on the AC Programme, it is NOT clear to this HQ how carriage charges can be recovered. Your guidance in this matter would be appreciated.

(sgd) B.A.COULSON. ⁴²⁷⁶
 DAQMC(M).

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

(RAIL DIVISION)

C/o Transportation (Br) Main/

C.M.F.

Tel: 843238

Ref: AC/292/5/Tn 4.

24 June, 1945.

1245

SUBJECT: Agenda - Finance Sub-Committee.

TO : Lt.Col. L.C. Pannell, R.E.

Chairman,

Finance Sub-Committee.

Allied Railway Board.

1. Transportation Sub-Commission, AC, would like to discuss at the next meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee, the question of payment by ISR for work done by private contractors in repairing rolling stock.

2. The following firms have been repairing rolling stock from the dates mentioned, and so far have received no payment, with the result that they are now finding conditions difficult:

Wagon Lits, Rome : August and September 44, restarted
December 44, and continually since.

Bombrini Parodi Delfino, Colleferrro : since Jan 45.

Cecchetti, Civitanova Marche : since March 45.

Copy to:

Major Richardson, Planning Division, Tn.S.C.

Capt. Wyatt, Admin Division, Tn. S.C.

J. A. B. May
Director.

SLB/ic

INTER - OFFICE MINUTE

Ref. AC/108/20/rn 4

SUBJECT : Finance Sub-Committee, Allied Railway Board.TO : Major Ping
Rail Div. In Sub-Comm.

1244

1. Reference attached to A/F/Q4/1/47 dated 19 June 45.
2. Please raise at next meeting of Finance Sub-Committee the question of payment by ISR for work done by private contractors in repairing rolling stock.
3. The following firms have been repairing rolling stock since the date shown against them, but none of them has yet received any payment for work done.
 WAGONS LITS, Rome, August & Sept. 44, and re-started Dec 44 has worked continuously since. ✓
 BOMBRINI-PARODI-DELFINO, Colleferro since Jan. 45 ✓
 CECCHETTI, Civitanova Marche, since March 45. 1/9 ✓
4. It appears that these firms are still in negotiation with ISR about contract terms, but it is considered that they should receive some payment on account of work done in order to enable them to carry on.

*men chomali - 1/20/45**S.L. Baister*

S.L. BAISTER, Major

Transportation Sub-Commission (rails)
 Tel. 843403
 23 June 45

Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
Railway Board,
c/o Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.
Tel. Firebox Ext. 53 and 50.
Outside Lines: 843427 and 843126.

Ref. Tn.A/F/64/1/47.

19 June 1945.

Subject :- Finance Sub-Committee, Allied Railway Board.

1233

To :- Addressees below.

1. Will you please forward any items for inclusion in the Agenda of the next meeting of the above Sub-Committee, in time to reach this office by 26th June 1945.

G.R.B. Davis

(G.R.B. DAVIS) Major R.E.,
for Chairman,
Finance Sub-Committee,
Allied Railway Board.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
G.M.S.

Tel. 843238

Ref. AC/292/5/Pn 4

18 May 1945

SUBJECT : Movement by Rail of Hemp & Hemp Products.

1222

TO : Industry Sub-Commission HQ AC
(Hemp Division)

1. The question raised by Capt P.C.Rae under ref R HC/AC/169 of 15 March 45 has been fully examined at the Finance Sub Committee of the Allied Railway Board and with the Italian State Railways.

2. The ISM takes the view that a reduction in rates to the firm of Mummolo is not possible in respect of conveyance of raw hemp when some portion of the finished product might be diverted to Allied use. It would be extremely difficult to ascertain what portion of the raw material was disposed of to the Allies, and quite logically there could be no limit to this point of view, in relation to timber, limestone, scrap metal, or any other raw material part of which might be used by Allied Forces in the form of a finished product.

3. It is undesirable from our point of view that such difficult accountancy should be brought into effect, especially at this stage, and this Sub-Commission fully supports the ISR point of view.

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A. Lindsey, Jr. Col.
for. Director

Copy to:
Mov (Rail) Tq Sub-Comm.
Finance Sub-Commission
Admin Div (Capt Wyatt)
Economic Section
ISR (ref. C321/33/ICCA/4142/26).

ACP/1c

INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

1249

Ref. AC/292/5/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Authority for W.D. Ration Issues - Massico Tunnel.TO : Capt. Wyatt
Admin Division, Tn Sub-Comm. HQ AC

1. Reference conversation Maj. Ping- Capt. Wyatt.
2. File is attached hereto relating to Food for contractors to ISR. (letters 26/28 February 1945 refer.)
3. Can you have a word with Major Lush of Food Sub-Commission of subject? We were pressed on the subject by MRS at the last meeting.

Chief, Rail Division

Transportation Sub-Commission, (Rails)
5 May 1945
Tel. 343238

James Smith

Ministry of Transport

I. S. R. Direction General

Subject: Hemp movement

Rome 4 MAR. 1945

C. 321/33/Deca/4142/28

Re: A.O. 292/5 Tr. 4 ex 4 10/4

To Transportation Sub Commission AC

(Rail Division)

C/O Transportation Movement CMF

We have carefully considered the request to allow to NUMUO firm a reduction of rates on raw hemp movement, due to the fact that a part of said hemp is used to manufacture items on behalf of the Allies.

On this regard we have to point out what follows:

1) Such transports are not entitled to the "free-charge" foreseen by point 3) d - of the known Memorandum n.4, because they are not formed of Allied military goods; in fact, this was already acknowledged by the letter dated 15th March last, signed by Regional Commissioner and here sent in copy.

2) At present, no special tariff is in force for movements effected on behalf of the AC, therefore no allowance can be granted to such transports, not even through an extensive interpretation of the point 3) b. of said memo.

It is impossible therefore for this Administration to comply - in any way - with the request in question.

The Director General

sgd Di Maimondo

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Al N.A.C. 292/5 Tr. 4 del 4 corr..

OGGETTO. Trasporti di canapa.

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION A-39
 (Rail Division)
 C:O TRANSPORTATION INCREMENT - C.M.F.

E' stata esaminata attentamente la richiesta di un abbuono di tasse di porto, da accordare alla ditta Mummolo su trasporti di canapa grezza, nella considerazione che una parte della canapa stessa viene destinata alla confezione di prodotti per uso degli Alleati.

A riguardo si deve comunicare quanto segue:

1.-I trasporti in questione non hanno titolo alla gratuità prevista dal punto 3) d. del noto Memorandum n. 4 in quanto non sono costituiti da merci militari alleate - ciò che del resto è stato già riconosciuto nella lettera in data 15 marzo c.a. a firma del Commissario Regionale, qui trasmessa in copia;

2.- Non vi è attualmente alcuna tariffa speciale a favore dei trasporti effettuati per conto dell' A.C.; perciò neppure un beneficio in via di estensione può essere accordato ai trasporti in questione con riferimento al punto 3) b. dello stesso Memorandum.

Questa Amministrazione trovasi perciò nella impossibilità di esaudire in qualche modo le richieste qui prospettate.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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Ref. NHC/AC/169

15 March 1945.

HQ., Allied Commission
Industry Sub-Commission
Hemp Division (Attn. Lt. Comdr. Schlee).

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Movement by rail of Hemp and Hemp Products.

1. Reference is made to "Movements Division Rail Memorandum N°4 issued on 23 Feb 1945 by Transportation Sub-Commission.
2. On receipt of a letter from Mummolo that he was being asked for payment of freight on reception of yarn this office today contacted the AC Rail Division here and was shown the above quoted memorandum of which we had no previous knowledge.
3. Paras 1, 2 and 3, which are those who concern us, are copied in Annex N°1 attached. From this it would appear that if we come under para 2(b) we are not entitled to use Army Form AB 497a which we have used until now. But even should we continue to use this form the consignee is subject to payment (see para 3 c).
4. It will be appreciated that should the Consorzio be liable to pay for rail transport, and increase in transport charged on invoices to units and civilians will have to be made.
5. It is requested that contact should be made with Transportation Sub-Commission in Rome and a ruling obtained as to which category we belong to, as even if carriage has to be paid it would appear that we ought to benefit under para 3 (b) Annex N°1.
6. The question is one of great urgency and detailed instructions as to what action we are to take are awaited.

For the Regional Commissioner:

F.C.RAE

Capt.

Hemp Control Officer, Sn Reg. AC

ACP/ic

INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

Ref. AC/292/5/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Authority for W.D.Ration Issues - Massico Tunnel.TO : Capt. Wyatt
Admin Division, Tn Sub-Comm. HQ AC

1. Reference conversation Maj. Ping- Capt. Wyatt.
2. File is attached hereto relating to Food for contractors to ISR. (letters 26/28 February 1945 refer.)
3. Can you have a word with Major Lush of Food Sub-Commission of subject? We were pressed on the subject by MRS at the last meeting.

Arthur M. ...
 for Chief, Rail Division

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Transportation Sub-Commission, (Rails)
 5 May 1945
 Tel. 843238

Major Ping. I have spoken to Major Lush about this and he has promised to follow the matter through so that we can have a firm declaration of policy.

Chas.
 16/5/45

Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
Railway Board,
c/o Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.
Tel. Firebox Ext. 33 and 50.
Outside Line 843487 and 843126.
Ref. Fn.A/P/64/41.

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26 April 1945.

Subject:- Finance Sub-Committee, Allied Railway Board.

To :- Addressees below.

1. Will you please forward any items for inclusion in the Agenda of the next meeting of the above Sub-Committee, in time to reach this Office by 29 April 45.



(G.H.B. DAVIS) S/Capt.,
for Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee.
Allied Railway Board.

Distributions:- Finance Sub-Commission, AC.
(Col. Crawshaw).
D.D.Fn. (Constr).
Lt.Col. Hanson.) M.R.S.
Lt.Col. de Lisle.)
Fn. Sub-Commission, AC. (Building). ✓
" " " " (Major Richardson).
Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R. (Ing. Bracci).
Chief of Finance Dept., I.S.R. (Dott. Olcari).

ACP/af

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

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Tel.: 843238

28 April 1945

Ref.: AC/292/5/Tn.4

SUBJECT: Conveyance of Heap -- Raising of tariff charges.

TO : I.S.R. Bldg.

1. It is hoped that a reply to our letter of 10 April 45 can be received at an early date.

Director.

*The ISR replied to
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AGENDA 1 . FOURTH MEETING OF THE FINANC SUB-COMMITTEE,
ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD, to be held MONDAY 30 APRIL '45.
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1. Matters arising out of Third Meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee.
2. Matters arising out of Fourth Meeting of Allied Railway Board.
3. Recovery of payments for Sardinian Coal Supplies financed by I.S.R.
4. Financial arrangements for I.S.R. in Northern Italy.
5. Coal supplied to A.C. for I.S.R. requirements - value 33,826 lire - by Società Romana Gas.
6. Any other business.

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MINUTES OF THIRD MEETING
OF THE
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE
ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HELD IN MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

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ON 7 APRIL 1945.

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PRESENT:-

Lt.Col.	L.C.PANNELL	A.D.Tn.(Finance), M.R.S. in
		the Chair.
Major	R.SMITH	Finance Sub-Commission, A.C.
Major	F.P.RICHARDSON	Tn. Sub-Commission, A.C.
Major	A.C.PING	
Capt.	WYATT	Auditing Officer, M.R.S.
Lieut.	K.S.LUDDEN	S/Capt. Tn.(Const), M.R.S.
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Ing.	C.BRACCI	Chief of Finance Dept., I.S.R.
Det.	E.OLBARI	Interpreter, I.S.R.
Ing.	LANDIS	

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21. Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 19 Feb 45, were adopted.

22. The CHAIRMAN referred to certain outstanding matters relative to the last meeting, which were dealt with as indicated below:-

Minute No.

8. TH. SUB-COMMISSION representatives reported that this matter had been referred to the Food Sub-Commission, A.C. who had stated that they had no jurisdiction under A.A.I. R.O. No. 252/44 (Supply of food and rations to civilians from British Army Stocks). It was their opinion that any continuation of existing food supplies to civilians, by A.C. on assuming responsibility on taking over military projects, would have to be covered by application to the local Military Commander.

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In reply, I.S.R. representatives stated that SAM GIORGIO had no connection with the I.S.R., whatever, although the firm had carried out considerable work for them for which purpose they had been permitted to hold a quantity of I.S.R. stores.

The I.S.R. representatives agreed to ascertain whether any of this material had been taken over by the military and report result at the next meeting.

/20. The CHAIRMAN reported..

22. (Cont).

Minute No.

20. The CHAIRMAN reported that he had discussed the costing of W.D. mechanical transport, used in W.D. construction projects, with the Financial Adviser (Br) AFHQ, who had agreed that the method suggested (in Minute No.20) appeared to be the most satisfactory one in view of the particular circumstances.

The CHAIRMAN asked TN.(CONST) representative to investigate three or four typical projects so as to arrive at an average percentage figure of M.F. hours to man-hours employed on the works, which would serve as a basis in recording mechanical transport hours for all projects.

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There were no points for discussion arising out of this meeting.

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/Tn. (CONST) representative...

24. (Cont).

Mr. (CONST) representative stated that the Contractor was producing very good results and that it was essential that nothing was done to interfere with this.

The CHAIRMAN asked the I.S.R. representatives what their proposals were and the latter considered that the estimated monthly rental value of the premises of 34,000 lire should be deducted from their monthly payments to Mecano Elettrica.

It was therefore agreed by the Sub-Committee that this was a reasonable solution and that the I.S.R. should negotiate with the Contractor on this basis.

25. Responsibility for payment of Railway Freight Charges on

Hemp, manufactured into articles for Allied Forces and

Italian Civilians.

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It was agreed that this matter was one to be left in the hands of the Mr. SUB-COMMISSION representatives.

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Delay in payment by I.S.R. of Contractors' bills.

(a) Submitted by M.R.S. in respect of materials purchased and incorporated in rehabilitation projects.

The CHAIRMAN said that considerable delay was occurring in the settlement of these bills and referred to the letter addressed to the I.S.R. under reference Mr. A/P/29/2 dated 20 March 45. He asked the I.S.R. representatives what action had been taken by them to correct this delay.

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I.S.R. representatives explained that the difficulty was due to the delay in civilian postal deliveries and enquired whether R.R.S. would undertake to transmit payment drafts through military postal channels in areas where it was known that the postal delay was acute.

The CHAIRMAN asked TH. (Const) whether they could assist in this respect insofar as delivery by their units was concerned and it was stated that there appeared to be no objection to this course being adopted.

TH. (FINANCE) representative pointed out to the I.S.R. that delays were not entirely due to limited postal facilities, as it was known that Compartimenti etc., frequently took as long as two months to effect settlement of bills with Contractors.

/It was therefore...

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26. (Cont).

It was therefore agreed that:-

- (1) M.R.S. investigate the practicability of transmitting I.S.R. documents through the Military post in essential cases.
- (2) I.S.R. representatives investigate delays occurring in actual settlement by their local Compartimenti etc.
- (3) Submitted by their own Contractors, working on rehabilitation projects:

TM. (CONST) representative said that no doubt this delay was partially due to the limited civilian postal facilities. Nevertheless, considerable difficulty had recently been experienced regarding Contractors in the MONA and ARIZZO districts. In these cases Contractors had been unable to obtain funds from their banks for the payment of their workmen, which might have interfered in the completion of urgent railway works. The trouble experienced appeared to be due to the I.S.R. not ensuring that the banks were informed in advance of the large sums which they would be required to pay out. In both cases the difficulties have now been smoothed out, but it was essential that there was not a recurrence of this nature.

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The CHAIRMAN said he would report result of his enquiry at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

/28. Railway Siding Charges..

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Railway Siding Charges.

TN. SUB-COMMISSION representatives stated that an enquiry had been received from the I.S.R. as to whether siding charges should be paid by firms who were working for the Allies and whose output was for military benefit.

The CHAIRMAN expressed the view that the military would certainly not pay, although the firms operating them possibly would. A great deal would depend on the terms under which the firms were working.

The I.S.R. representatives requested that they be given a copy of the letter raising this point in order that they might consult the Director General of the I.S.R. and report at the next meeting.

29.

Sale of captured enemy material.

TN. SUB-COMMISSION representatives stated that the I.S.R. had enquired whether they would receive the proceeds of a recent sale of captured enemy material.

The CHAIRMAN said that captured enemy material presumably belonged to the Allied Governments by whom it was captured but ultimate disposal of the proceeds was a matter still to be decided.

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Chairman,
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Allied Railway Board.

11 Mar 45.

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MINUTES OF SECOND MEETING
OF THE
FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD
HELD IN MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING
ON 19 FEB 45.

PRESENT:-

Lt.-Col.	L.C. PANWELL,	A.D.Tn. (Finance), M.R.S.,	in the Chair.
Colonel	H.G. CRAWSHAW,	Finance Sub-Commission, A.C.	
Lt.-Col.	A.M. HANSEN,	Asst. Dep. Director (Admin), M.R.S.	
Major	H.C. STULL,	Asst. Dep. Director (Ingr), M.R.S.	
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Dott.	E. OLLEARI,	Chief of Finance Dept, I.S.R.	
Ing.	POLVERARI,	Interpreter.	

6. Minutes of last Meeting.

The Minutes of the last meeting, held on 27 Jan 45, were adopted.

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Minute No.

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THE CHAIRMAN explained that it was necessary to know whether, when A.C. took over jobs from M.R.S., they would be able to continue any existing arrangements for food supplies and what the method would be of recording such issues.

COL. CRAWSHAW said that he understood that food problems were being taken up, generally, on a high level as far as A.C. issues were concerned. He agreed to make further enquiries and to bring to the notice of this Sub-Committee any relevant points.

9. W.D. Mechanical Equipment Assistance to A.C.

TN (CONST) stated that all Mechanical Equipment Coys sent in Works reports accounting for all hours worked, and from these details, any equipment hours expended on behalf of A.C. could be ascertained. Such information would be passed on to Tn.F. as already stated in Minute No. 3.A.7.

THE CHAIRMAN asked whether mechanical equipment was likely to be lent to A.C. without personnel but TN (CONST) stated that personnel always accompanied equipment. THE CHAIRMAN then enquired whether American equipment was likely to be lent without personnel to which MAJOR STULL replied in the negative. /over

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10. Accounting for Military Stores Issued to A.C. for I.S.R. Construction Projects.

THE CHAIRMAN enquired whether the method detailed in Minute No. 3.C.1/2 was being followed.

THE SUB-COMMISSION said they would look into this and report at the next meeting.

11. Contracts entered by I.S.R. on Instructions of I.S.R. or A.C.
- THE CHAIRMAN said that the question of responsibility for approval of contracts in respect of the above referred to the Allied Railway Board and that the latter had ruled that only those contracts which, for a specific reason, needed vetting should be examined. They also directed that when a contract required vetting, this was the responsibility of the Construction Sub-Committee with the aid of a member of the Finance Sub-Committee.

CAPT. BLAIR asked what the position would be regarding contracts investigated by the American Government. THE CHAIRMAN replied that these would be treated in the same way. It was the duty of the Officer investigating a contract to decide whether or not examination by the Construction Sub-Committee was necessary, and should any doubt arise, advice could be obtained through Tn.F.

MAJOR STULL said that he wished to cite the instance of two contracts which had been placed by the I.S.R. for works at CURTANEGGIA, where the workmen employed on two similar projects, performing identical duties, were receiving different rates of pay.

THE CHAIRMAN requested MAJOR STULL to submit details of these two contracts for examination in the first instance to Tn.F., who would report thereon at the next meeting of this Sub-Committee.

12. Examination of Documents for Allocation of Cash for Reconstruction and Rehabilitation projects by the I.S.R.

This matter had been referred to the Allied Railway Board who had decided that the above was the responsibility of the Finance Sub-Committee A.C.

13. Presentation of the Budget Estimate of Accounts by I.S.R.
- In view of the ruling in Minute No. 12 the I.S.R. would not now be required to provide this information.

14. I.S.R. Accounting - Rehabilitation and Maintenance.
- I.S.R. stated that they wished to correct a statement previously made (as detailed in Minute No. 2) that the expenditures relative to the above items was shown under one head only. The true position was that separate figures were

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15. Railway Stores on the Part of SAN GIOVANNI, PIEMONTE.

I.S.R. were asked what connection, if any, the above firm had with them, as considerable quantities of stores were being obtained from this firm for military use.

I.S.R. replied that the firm was not in any way connected with them although it had performed a good deal of work for the I.S.R. They stated, however, that in view of the nature of work which the firm had done for the I.S.R., there was a possibility that SAN GIOVANNI had in hand a certain amount of material belonging to the I.S.R.

16. Costing of American Materials when in I.S.R. Completion Reports.

The CHAIRMAN stated that COL. CHAMBERLAIN had raised this point because the British military man-hours were costed out far easier in the A.C. account and it was, therefore, considered advisable that American military man-hours should be treated in the same way.

/Lt. Col. Hansen said.....

Sheet 3.

15. (Contd.).

LT.-COL HANSEN said that they were in possession of an Instruction authorising the charge per man-hour at 61 cents, but that he was not at all sure that this was an accurate up-to-date figure.

COL. CRAWSHAW pointed out that the final decision on costs generally would be settled on a very high level, but in the meantime basic charges would have to be made.

LT.-COL. HANSEN therefore agreed that the charge for American military man-hours would be at the rate of 61 cents per man-hour for this purpose.

17.

Recording of Work done for the I.S.R. by U.S. Navy at CARTIER NAVAL YARD, PALERMO.

THE CHAIRMAN said that he considered any work performed by the U.S. Navy on I.S.R. Rolling Stock etc., should be accounted for by them in the same way as the British military accounted for theirs; i.e. value of such work and materials (in accordance with the recognised formula) to be recorded and reported for inclusion in the A.C. Account.

TW SUB-COMMISSION were referred to Memorandum from the Chief of Staff under reference AG/313/051/051-0 dated 19 Jan 45 and were advised to bring this to the notice of the U.S. Navy at PALERMO.

18.

Food Issues to I.S.R. Contractors.
This matter dealt with under Minute No. 6.

19.

Charges for W.D. Mechanical Equipment employed on works supervised by A.C.
This matter covered by Minute No. 9.

20.

Costing of W.D. Mechanical Transport used in Reconstruction Projects.

THE CHAIRMAN reported that the Financial Adviser (British) had requested that the cost of W.D. transport be included in all construction projects and asked TW (CONST) whether this information could be supplied.

TW (CONST) said that although certain information could be given it would be very difficult to quote accurate figures.

MAJOR STULL said that so far as the American Increment was concerned very little Mechanical Transport was used by them.

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After considerable discussion on various methods by which reasonable charges could be assessed, the CHAIRMAN said that he thought the only practicable way of arriving at a reasonably accurate assessment of the amount of Mechanical Transport used on a particular project was on a percentage basis of the total man-hours recorded for that particular project.

It was therefore AGREED that the CHAIRMAN should put this suggestion to the Financial Adviser (British) for approval and report result at next meeting of this Sub-Committee.

L.C.PANFILL. Lt.Col., R.E.

Chairman.

Finance Sub-Committee.

Allied Railway Board.

21 Feb 45.

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Finance Sub-Committee of Allied
Railway Board,
c/o Military Railway Service.
C.M.F.

Tel. Firebox Ext. 33 and 50. 1227
Outside Line 843487 and 843126.
Reference Tn.A/F/64.

17th February 1945.

Subject:- Second Meeting - Finance Sub-Committee of the
Allied Railway Board, Italy.

To :- See distribution.

1. The second meeting of the Above Sub-Committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Monday 19 Feb '45 in the office of A.D.Tn.(F) - Room 19 (2nd Floor) - Ministry of Communications Building.
2. Will you please arrange to attend, or send a representative.
3. Copy of Agenda attached hereto.

G.H.B. Davis
(G.H.B.DAVIS) S/Capt.
for Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee.

Distribution:- Finance Sub-Commission (A.C.)
(Col. Crawshaw).

Tn. Sub-Commission, (A.C.)
Chief of Finance Dept, I.S.R. (Dott.E.Oleari)
Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R. (Ing.Bracci)
D.D.Tn.(Constr).

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ALLIED RAILWAY
BOARD.
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AGENDA FOR SECOND MEETING.

Monday 19 Feb 45.

1. Points arising out of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee held on 27th January 1945. ✓
2. Matters arising out of the 2nd Meeting of the Allied Railway Board. ✓
3. Costing of American man-hours shown in the M.R.S. Completion Reports. ✓
4. Recording of work done for the I.S.R. by U.S. Navy at Cantiere Navale Yard, Palermo. ✓
5. Food issues to I.S.R. Contractors. ✓
6. Charges for W.D. mechanical equipment employed on work, supervised by A.C. ✓ DP
7. Costing of W.D. mechanical transport used in reconstruction projects.
8. Any other business.

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REF : LSC/411

3 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Wages of Italian State Railway Employees.
Memorandum of Meeting at Ministry of Communications -
3 February 1945.

TO : Economic Section.

1. Brigadier Waghorn, Director of Military Railway Services, and Lt. Col. Panell conferred with Mr. W.H. Braine, Director of the Labour Sub-Commission, and Mr. D.S. Sachs; and Major Reed and Major Hall of Finance Sub-Commission.

2. Brigadier Waghorn referred to evidence that unsatisfactory condition of service was seriously affecting the efficient working of State Railways and there was loss of skilled personnel to other more remunerative employment. He thought that measures should be taken to anticipate interruption of services for these causes. After discussion, it was agreed that the only alternative methods of meeting the situation were:

- (a) To allow events to take their course, in which case public complaints or grievances in the Press or by public demonstration would lead to threats of more violent action and probably eventually to strike action, leading to stoppage of Railway Services;
- (b) To anticipate demands by making timely concessions before requests were formulated;
- (c) To encourage the use of an agreed constitutional method by which there might be consultation and negotiation on issues of wages and conditions between the interested parties.

3. In view of the possible repercussions on all grades of Government employees of improved conditions of service for Railway workers, Finance Sub-Commission drew attention to the possible transference of the Railway Services to Allied Military Organizations but did not press this issue.

4. It was agreed that the third course was preferable but that in suggesting its adoption, Allied Commission and Military Railway Services should avoid any indication of support for wage concessions or other improvements to Italian State Railway workers, since the knowledge of such support would not only prejudice the position of Allied Commission in respect of criticisms and eventual approval of agreements but would

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lead to extravagant claims being made on behalf of the workers.

5. It was agreed that Labour Sub-Commission, to which the question stood referred from the Wages Committee, should recommend the development of alternative 3 to Economic Section, and should seek approval to encourage the operation of joint negotiation machinery in the Italian Railway Service.

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6. May I have your approval in principle please?

W. H. BRAINE
Director,
Labour Sub-Commission

John Brown
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INTER OFFICE MEMO

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8 February, 1945

Tel: 584

Ref: 43-3/50/FOOD

SUBJECT: Extra Food - Railway Construction.

FROM : Food Sub-Commission.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission, (Rail Division) ✓
c/o. Transportation Increment, C.M.F.
Attention: Lt. Col. O.H. Lindberg.

1. Reference is to your AC/292/5/Tn.4 of 31 January, 1945.
2. Your attention is directed to Administrative Memorandum dated 2 February, 1945, issued by DMRB, reference TM.A.1/221. It is suggested that you apply for authority for the class of worker to which you refer to be included within the scope of this memorandum.

*W.J. Leeg*W.J. LEEG
Colonel

Director, Food Sub-Commission

MINUTES OF FIRST MEETING

OF THE

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

OF THE

ALLIED RAILWAY BOARD

HOLD IN MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

ON 27 JAN 45.

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PRESENT:-

It.-Col.	L.C. PARNELL,	A.D.Tn. (Finance), M.B.S. in the Chair.
Colonel	H.S. CHAWSHAW,	Finance Sub-Commission, A.C.
Major	A.P. RICHARDSON	) Transportation Sub-
Major	A.C. PING	Commission, A.C.
Major	C. WILLIAMS	I.A.D.Tn. (Const), A.R.S.
Capt.	H. WIGHT	S/Capt. Tn. (Const), M.R.S.
Capt.	C.H.B. DAVIS	S/Capt. Tn. (Finance), M.R.S.
Ing.	C. BRACCI	Chief of Stores Service, I.S.R.
Dott.	A. OLEARI	Chief of Finance Dept., I.S.R.
Ing.	POLV RARI	Interpreter.

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2. MAJOR PING said that he had been instructed to point out that the Memorandum 70 dated 3 November 1943, which set out the relations between the Transportation Organisation of the Allied Military Forces and the Transportation Organisation of A.C. referred to the fact, at paragraph 5b, that responsibilities of A.C. would only apply on lines which had been returned to civilian administration under supervision of A.C. Such memorandum did not foresee that A.C. would be expected to undertake any works on sections of lines occupied by the military authorities, and at a meeting of the New Works and Contracts Sub-Committee the following item was registered.

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Subject to the understanding that memorandum No. 76 has not been subsequently rescinded, A.C. representatives were fully prepared to discuss at full length the necessary steps to be taken in the event of Transportation Sub-Commission taking over from M.R.S. incomplete contracts.

THE CHAIRMAN said that in view of this it would have to be assumed for the purpose of this meeting, that memorandum No. 76 would be subsequently amended to cover these points, but the issues involved would have to be decided by the Allied Railway Board.

THE SUB-COMMITTEE agreed to proceed on this assumption.

3. THE CHAIRMAN then proposed that the points detailed in the terms of reference as shown in the Agenda be considered for necessary action.

4. Works commenced by the M.R.S. and subsequently handed over to A.C. for completion, either by direct contract or through I.S.R.

1. Accounting for materials and services supplied by the Military up to the time of handing over, including surplus materials unused on site.

AGREED THAT Tn. (Construction) arrange for any surplus military materials remaining on site to be vouchered to I.S.R. who would sign therefor.

2. Final accounting, preparation of completion statements, assessing of value of stores incorporated and services rendered, and reporting for inclusion in the A.C. account.

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3. Outstanding Contractors' bills for services and materials ordered by Military.

4. Requisition action not finalised at time of taking over by A.C.

3. and 4. AGREED THAT A.C. in order to avoid duplicate payments, etc. forward all bills or other documents in respect of above to this HQ.

5. Handing over of contracts.

AGREED THAT as these were invariably between I.S.R. and their own Contractors no action was necessary.

6. Handing over arrangements for food supplies to I.S.R. Contractors, and method of recording such issues against the I.S.R.

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7. Accounting for military labour and mechanical equipment assistance.
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R. Works commenced and completed under A.C. supervision but with certain military labour and equipment assistance.

1. Recording of military labour and equipment hours.
 AGREED as for A.7 above.

/C. Accounting for military stores

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3. Continued.

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C. Accounting for military stores.

1. Supplies to A.C. for I.S.R. direct domestic use.
2. For incorporation in construction projects.

1. and 2. AGREED THAT all Job Numbers be quoted by A.C. on their demands for military stores and that Tn.(F) be supplied with copy of each indent.

D. Contracts placed by I.S.R. on instructions of M.R.S. or A.C.

1. Responsibility for approval of contracts in respect of work ordered by above.

THE CHAIRMAN stated that considerable doubt existed as to the degree of responsibility which rested upon M.R.S./A.C. for contracts placed on their instructions by the I.S.R. and that he considered the matter required clarification.

MAJOR PING explained that A.C. were responsible for sanctioning advances to the I.S.R. for works contracts and that often there appeared to be some doubt in the requests for advances which were put forward by the I.S.R.

COL. CRAWSHAW said that he thought that the matter was not within the scope of this Sub-Committee.

AGREED THAT the approval of contracts should be referred to the Construction Sub-Committee with the request that they assume this responsibility with the aid of a co-opted member from this Sub-Committee.

4. THE CHAIRMAN raised the point that the terms of reference did not include the examination of demands for allocation of cash for reconstruction and rehabilitation projects by the I.S.R., and he considered that this was an appropriate matter for consideration by this Sub-Committee.

COL. CRAWSHAW concurred.

AGREED THAT this proposal should be referred to the Allied Railway

Board for confirmation.

5. MAJOR RICHARDSON asked the I.S.R. representatives whether estimates of expenditure for rehabilitation of I.S.R. Sections damaged by enemy action were maintained in a separate account or included in the global cost of maintenance of the seven Railway Divisions, etc.

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MAJOR RICHARDSON then stated that he considered the I.S.R. Accounts for the rehabilitation of the I.S.R., should be kept apart from ordinary maintenance, as a special appropriation by a Decree is provided for the former.

AGREED THAT the I.S.R. representatives provide a rough balance of Accounts in future at each meeting of this Sub-Committee.

4 Feb 45.



L.C. PANSELL. Lt. Col. R.S.
Chairman.
Finance Sub-Committee.
Allied Railway Board.

5. Finance Sub Committee.

The sub-Committee will discuss and report on the financial aspect arising out of the assumption by the Allied Commission of railway rehabilitation and reconstruction works, and with particular reference to the following :-

(a) Work commenced by the M.R.S. and subsequently handed over to A.C. for completion, either by direct contract or through I.S.R.

- (1) Accounting for material and services supplied by the Military up to the time of handing over, including surplus materials unused on the site.
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- (2) For incorporation in construction projects.

(d) Contracts placed by I.S.R. on instruction of M.R.S. or A.C.

- (1) Responsibility for approval of contracts in respect of work by above.

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Our Ref. AC/277/m 4

AC representatives pointed out that AFHQ memorandum 76 dated 9 November, 1943, which set out the relations between the Transportation Organization of the Allied Military Forces and the Transportation Organization of AC, referred to the fact, at paragraph 5b, that responsibilities of AC would only apply on lines which had been returned to civilian administration under supervision of AC.

Such memorandum did not foresee that AC would be expected to undertake any works on sections of lines occupied by the military authorities, and at a Meeting of the New Works and Contracts sub-committee the following item was registered.

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Subject to the understanding that memorandum n.76 has not been subsequently rescinded, AC representatives were fully prepared to discuss at full length the necessary steps to be taken in the event of Transportation Sub-Commission taking over from MRS incomplete contracts.

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Transportation Sub-Commission (Hills)
1st February 1945
Tel: 843238

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

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Tel.: 843402

Our Ref. AC/292/5/Tn4

31 January 1945

TO : Food Sub-Commission, HQ., AC.
 Labour Sub-Commission, HQ., AC.

SUBJECT : Extra food for mid-day workers on railway construction.

1. At a recent meeting of the Finance Sub Committee of the Allied Railway Board, the question of AC taking over certain existing contracts from MRS supervision was discussed.
2. It was pointed out that in certain instances, such as in the repair of a tunnel between Rome and Naples, the men working for contractors to the ISR were provided with special mid-day rations, which were drawn from D.I.D., because of their inability to reach any point for food. The cost of these rations became a charge against the ISR.
3. If Transportation Sub-Commissions were to take over the existing supervision of the work of repair in this and similar instances, it is desired to know whether the system of drawing rations by this means would be continued, and if the financial adjustment would still be regarded as a matter for payment by the ISR.

signed: O.H. LINDBERG Lt.Col.
 Chief, Rail Section

• Copy to: Finance Sub-Comm. AC.
 Lt.Col. L.C. Pennell, A.D.Tn (Finance)
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 Capt. Wyatt, Tn Sub-Comm.

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22 January 1947

SUBJECT: Allied Railway Board, Italy

TO : Finance Sub-Commission
Attention: Colonel Crawshaw

1. At a meeting of the Allied Railway Board, Italy, held on 18 January, Colonel Crawshaw's name was given as our representative on the Finance Sub-Committee of the Railway Board; this was in accordance with the arrangement previously made with Colonel Crawshaw.

2. The Chairman of the Sub-Committee will be Lieut. Colonel L. Pennell, who is the Finance Officer on the staff of the Director General, Military Railways Service. If necessary a railway officer from this Sub-Commission can accompany Colonel Crawshaw to meetings; Major A. C. Ping or Captain C. S. Wyatt have been nominated.

3. The attached sheet shows the work which will be covered by the Finance Sub-Committee.



A. B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director, Tn S/C

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Cy para 3 of "Working Sub-Committees
and their terms of reference"

cc:

Rail Division, Tn S/C (Major Ping)
Admin. Div., Tn S/C (Capt. Wyatt)

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ANNEXURE II TO APPENDIX "A" (Contd).5. Finance Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee will discuss and report on the financial aspect arising out of the assumption by the Allied Commission of railway rehabilitation and reconstruction works, and with particular reference to the followings:-

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- (1) Accounting for materials and services supplied by the Military up to the time of handing over, including surplus materials unused on the site.
 - (2) Final accounting, preparation of completion statements, assessing of values of stores incorporated and services rendered, and reporting for inclusion in the A.C. account.
 - (3) Outstanding contractors' bills for services and materials ordered by Military.
 - (4) Requisition action not finalised at time of taking over by A.C.
 - (5) Handing over of Contracts.
 - (6) Handing over arrangements for food supplies to I.S.R. contractors, and method of recording such issues against the I.S.R.
 - (7) Accounting for Military labour and mechanical equipment assistance.
- (b) Works commenced and completed under A.C. supervision, but with certain Military labour and equipment assistance.
- (1) Recording of Military labour and equipment hours.
- (c) Accounting for Military Stores.
- (1) Supplies to A.C. for I.S.R. direct domestic use.
 - (2) For incorporation in construction projects.
- (d) Contracts placed by I.S.R. on instruction of M.R.S. or A.C.
- (1) Responsibility for approval of contracts in respect of work ordered by above.

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24th January 1945.

Subject:- First Meeting - Finance Sub-Committee
of the Allied Railway Board, Italy.

To :- Finance Sub-Commission.(A.C.) (Col.Crawshaw).
Tn.Sub-Commission.(A.C.) ✓
Chief of Finance Dept.- I.S.M. (Dott.E.Oleari).

1. The first meeting of the above Sub-Committee will be held at 10.30 hrs on Saturday 27 Jan '45 in the Office of A.B.Tn.(F) - Room 19 (2nd Floor) - Ministry of Communication Building.
2. Will you please arrange to attend.
3. Copy of Agenda attached hereto.



(G.H.B.DAVIS) S/Capt.
Secretary.

Finance Sub-Committee.

Copies to:- D.D.Tn.(Constr).

Chief of Stores Service. I.S.M. (Ing.Bracci).

(Will you please arrange to send a representative).

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ALLIED RAILWAY
BOARD.
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AGENDA FOR FIRST MEETING.

Saturday 27 January 1945.

1. Detailed examination of items forming the terms of reference of the Finance Sub-Committee, as laid down by the first meeting of the Allied Railway Board held on 18 January '45.
2. General procedure to be adopted for the implementation of the terms of reference, as indicated on the attached copy thereof.
3. Any other business.

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COPY OF ANNEXURE II to APPENDIX "A"
to G-4(Mov 6)D/RLY of 10 Jan 45. Para 5.

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5. Finance Sub-Committee.

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