

ACC 10000/148/266 547/TN/1 TRANSFER + SAIL OF TRUCKS TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

JUNE 1945 - AUG. 1946

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIALS BRANCH

CEM/74/1508

12 August 1946

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SUBJECT: Assignment of vehicles

TO : Ministry of Transport
(Attn. Dott. FUNDARO)

With reference to the enclosed copy of letter from Soc. Coop. Autrasporti Autoservizi "Mercurio" of Padova (ref. 0378 dated 29 July 1946 addressed to Transportation Sub-Commission, who have referred the letter to this Branch.

- 1; It is understood that these vehicles were included in the "Autotrasporti" vehicles handed to you on 21 March 1946.
2. As these vehicles are thus under your control, the enclosed letter is forwarded for your attention and action.

J. A. Campbell
J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director,
CEM Branch.

ENCLOSURE: Italian copy of 0378 dated 29 July 1946

Copy to: Soc. Coop. Autotrasporti - Autoservizi "Mercurio"
Corso del Popolo 10
Padova.

Copy to: Transportation S/C
(attn. Lt. Col. A.H. Sheet)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: 220

MHT/h1

SUBJECT: AG/348/TN 5 Letter to
Minister of Transport

AG/348/TN 5

5 July 1945

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Lombardia Region

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1. Acknowledgment is made of your TN/205/III, 2 July 1945.
2. It is necessary to turn over all trucks available for Italy to the Italian Government.
3. Upon delivery of these trucks to the Italian Government, it is discretionary with them what future disposition is to be made.
4. The reason for initially turning over a quantity of trucks to the ISR is this - there are many interrupted rail lines which must be supplemented with highway transport. Railway cargo must be transported around interruptions to the railways.
5. The ability of the Italian Government to re-assign or sell highway vehicles to individuals also applies to the trucks initially delivered to the ISR.
6. It is suggested that the committee of truckers of Lombardia Region present their case to the Ministry of Transport who controls the operations of the ISR.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR,
Director.

copies to: Road Division, Tn. 8/C
Minister of Transport

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547/101
10 January 1946

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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I would ask you to refer to the letter No. 581-10169, sent to me on 11 August 1945 by your predecessor in office. In this letter Professor Parri asked me, on political and economical grounds, to intervene with the military authorities, to prevent the recovery by the Italian Army of ex-Italian Army vehicles then in the hands of private organizations in the North.

Largely as a result of this request, the Allied Commission sponsored an arrangement which was entered into in October between the Minister of Transport and the Minister of War. Under the terms of this agreement, the Italian Army agreed to waive their undoubted right to recover these vehicles, and to leave them in the hands of the organizations which were operating them. In return, the Minister of Transport agreed to reimburse the Italian Army with an equivalent number of vehicles, on a tonnage basis, from the stock of vehicles handed over ex-Allied sources and after reconditioning. It was further provided that the first batch of 153 vehicles would be made available to the War Ministry during the month of October, the balance of some 1800 to be similarly transferred at the rate of 500 per month commencing 1 November.

This arrangement has not, in fact, been carried out. It was not till the end of November that the first batch of 153 vehicles was available for transfer, and to date, despite frequent enquiries, there has been no further information as to when any more will be forthcoming, this in spite of the fact that over 14,000 Allied vehicles have been handed over to the Italian Government.

In an effort to clear up this matter, the Minister of Transport was invited to a meeting at this Headquarters on 7 January, and was requested to give a firm estimate of when the balance of these vehicles could be made available to the Italian Army. It now appears, however, that the ex-Allied vehicles were not handed over to the Ministry of Transport as such, but to the organization ARAR, which was at that time part of the Ministry. At a later date, however, ARAR apparently became part of the Ministry of Reconstruction, and, on the abolition of this Ministry at the end of the year, an autonomous body subject to no Ministry. On these grounds, the Minister of Transport has stated that this matter is now outside his orbit.

The Allied Commission, despite the fact that control of the Italian Army has been returned to the Italian Government, is unwilling to see the

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Army left short of vehicles, which will react on its efficiency, and does not consider that the reasonable arrangement which it sponsored should fail to be completed owing to some technical detail of internal organization within your Government. Moreover, until the Italian Army receives the additional vehicles which are due to them, the Carabinieri will not have their full quota, so that the non-fruition of the arrangement to which I have referred may contribute to a question of internal safety.

It is therefore my view, Mr. President, that you should forthwith direct ARAR, since this organization is apparently now responsible only to you, to proceed without delay to complete the handover of vehicles to the Ministry of War, as originally agreed by the Minister of Transport when ARAR was a part of his Ministry, and I will be very glad if you can confirm that this has been done.

Yours very truly,

PDGB/she

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief CommissionerDr. Alcide de Gasperi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
ROME

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

Tel. 376

Ref. 547/Tn.I

28 December 1945

Ingegnere Riccardo Lombardi
Minister of Transport
Rome.

Dear Ingegnere Lombardi:

I will ask you to refer to your predecessor's letter No. 4837/S.F. of 9 November 1945 on the question of transfer of certain ex-Allied vehicles from your Ministry to the Ministry of War, for the Italian Army, as agreed with this Headquarters in October 1945.

It is noted in a further letter from Dottore La Malfa dated 27 November 1945, that 153 vehicles, out of the total of several thousand outstanding, had been made available to the Ministry of War. At that date, however, there was still no information as to when the balance, which it was originally agreed should be handed over by your Ministry at the rate of five hundred per month commencing 1 November, would be made available. No reply can be traced to my further request for information on this subject contained in letter AG/62/91/Tn.S of 18 December.

It is appreciated that this is now primarily a matter for settlement between yourself and the Minister of War, who is no doubt most anxious to obtain the balance of the vehicles in question. At the same time the Chief Commissioner, while appreciating your difficulties in the reconditioning of the ex-Allied vehicles, is a little perturbed at the slow rate at which these vehicles are being turned over to the Italian Army.

It is intended, therefore, with a view to examining the present position and the future program as regards handing over the balance of these vehicles to the Ministry of War for the Italian Army, to hold a meeting in this Headquarters on Thursday next 3 January in the small conference room at 1500 hours. It is requested that you will attend, and the Minister of War is also being invited; it is hoped that you will be able to put forward at this meeting a firm acceptable program for the handing over of the balance of the vehicles involved.

Will you please confirm by telephone (AG Extension 376) on Monday 31 December if the above time and date are suitable. If, on the other hand, you are unable to be present at the time and date proposed, will

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you please suggest another time and date as soon thereafter as possible.

Yours very truly,

P. M. A.

P. P. O. Buchanan
Colonel
Director

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CC: Land Forces S/o (M.E.I.A.)

It is requested that you will arrange for the Minister of War,
or his competent representative, to be present.

CC: Roads Division

547/201

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Hand-over of vehicles to Italian Army.

1 17-12 A/VP ES
thru Cnf.
Sup.Gr.

Ref. ES/15.07 14-12-45

1. As has already been reported to you, we were informed by the late Minister of Transport on 27 Nov. that he had made available to the Minister of War, at Pontaderre, the first 153 vehicles on the list to be turned over, and that the Minister of War had been notified accordingly. In view of this, it is not understood why these vehicles at least have not been drawn, if in fact no vehicles have been handed over as you suggested.

Transportation & Shipping S/c

2. The Minister of Transport has been further urged to speed up the hand-over of further vehicles to the Minister of War. It is agreed, however, that if the matter is not now to be left to the Italian government for solution, the only alternative is for a meeting of the interested parties to be called. As already agreed with Colonel Densmore, this meeting should be called by the Executive Commissioner and under his chairmanship, and should include the Ministers concerned and General Browning. Only in this way can the degree of pressure you require be exercised.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ECONOMIC SECTION

CBH/sc

Tel: 267

28 July 1945

File: 5.10/ES

SUBJECT: Salvage and Lost Certificates.

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TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Reference is made to your letter 547/11/TN 1 of 24 July.
2. The procedure of accounting for vehicles as outlined therein is approved and may be instituted at once.

s/E.B. McKinley

E.B. McKINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President

I certify that is a true copy

Capt. Peterson

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: AC/547/27/Tn 1

13 November 1945.

Doctor Ugo La Malfa,
Minister of Transport.

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Dear Doctor La Malfa,

Thank you for your letter of 9 November 1945, (No. 4827/S.P.) referring to the handover of reconditioned vehicles to the Italian Army; the contents of this letter have been communicated to the Military Mission to the Italian Army.

M.S.I.A., while appreciating your difficulties in arranging for the repair of these vehicles, have now requested as follows:

- (a) That the priority promised in Paragraph 5 of your letter be more specifically defined, having regard to the repair facilities available. It is requested that a definite date be now given by you by which the tonnage equivalent of the first 153 vehicles will be available to be handed over, and a firm revised estimate given of what will be the subsequent monthly turnover.
- (b) That the Minister of War's agreement shall be obtained by you to the above, and that you will request him to notify M.S.I.A. in writing of his concurrence.

It is believed that certain of the vehicles you have received from Allied sources have already been allocated by you to the Carabinieri. Will you please confirm if this is the case and, if so, furnish to this office a list of the vehicles so handed over; these would count against the number to be transferred to the Italian Army.

Yours very truly,

P. D. G.

P. D. G. HUGHES
Colonel,
Director.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Tel. 513

7 September 1945

AC/547/26/Tn.1

SUBJECT : Transfer of Trucks to the Italian Government.

TO : Acting Vice President, Economic Section.

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2. In addition to the allied vehicles approximately 1600 captured enemy trucks have already been transferred to the Italian Government by the Allied Commission. All but 46 of these trucks were located in Sicily at time of transfer.

3. Of the 11,860 allied trucks authorized for transfer by the Allied Commission to the Italian Government, 11,310 are American and 550 British. All of the British vehicles and approximately 7750 of the American vehicles are military vehicles. Of the 3560 American civilian type vehicles, 2200 are new, 1100 used and 260 reconditioned. Of the military vehicles, 1300 are used and 7000 war weary vehicles. Many of the latter will be useful only for purposes of cannibalization, but it is expected that these 7000 trucks will yield an efficient road lift of 20000 tons.

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4. In addition to the captured enemy trucks, all of which have already been transferred, approximately 5775 allied trucks have been transferred to the Italian Government to date and transfer of the remainder is being expedited under a new procedure.
5. Under the terms of the transfer the future disposition of the trucks is discretionary with the Italian Government. But 1860 trucks with 5000 tons road lift have been designated for use by the Italian State Railways and 158 trucks, for use by the Ministry of Public Works. It is the present intent of the Italian Government, as stated by the Minister of Transport, to transfer the remaining trucks to private operators.
6. The Italian Government, on transfer of the trucks, accepts full responsibility for repair, maintenance, operation and collection. In order to ensure that the Italian Government

will be in a position to meet its above mentioned responsibility, the Allied Commission has set up a complete maintenance and supply organization, which is now in the process of being handed over to the Italian Government. With the exception of the 7000 war weary trucks, at least a sixty-day stock of supply parts is being transferred to the Italian Government for the allied vehicles turned over. As above stated, it is expected that necessary supply parts for the war weary trucks will come largely from those of their number which are cannibalized.

FRANK UPMAN, Jr.
Director

Ext. 220

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

TU/lrv

547/25/Tn 1

30 August 1945

SUBJECT: Procedure in Handling Transfer of Trucks to the
Italian Government

TO : Colonel G. V. Walton, Economic Section

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1. The 1,100 odd trucks that were handed over to AC as truck battalions by the British and American military from theatre stock were formed into AC motor pools. These trucks were used in transport of civilian supplies with Italian drivers and Italian officers in operational charge of the individual pool groups. However, AC Roads Division, Transportation Sub-Commission exercised over-all control in determining the use and lift carried. Maintenance and repair also was provided by AC during this period of operation. These trucks have now been handed over as operating truck pools to the Italian Government who continue to operate on the same type of truck pool basis in the carrying of civilian supplies.

2. The 1,700 new trucks shipped into Italy were formed into truck battalions with Italian drivers, and each battalion under the supervision of Italian officers. However, still under over-all control of AC personnel. These truck battalions have now been turned over or are in the process of being turned over in each region to the Italian Government. Procedure is, the trucks are delivered to spot designated by AC, the shipping tickets going with each group. Each shipping ticket is signed for first by the regional transportation officer or by whom he may designate. At the same time, representatives of the Italian Minister of Transport and the Italian Minister of Finance sign for the trucks accepting ownership and full responsibility for repair, maintenance, operation, and collection. Allied Commission has no responsibility other than advisory. Where these trucks are located in AC territory the Italian Government is responsible to that Allied authority for the lift of these trucks.

3. The additional 2,000 new trucks shipped into Italy were accepted in the same manner by the Italian Government with designation of the trucks to the Italian State Railroads.

4. The procedure in handling the so-called 20,000 ton lift of which the first 1,830 are now being received at designated spots from PBS will be the same as number 2. PBS determines the price by classes and condition of individual vehicles. This price is supposed to show in the future on the shipping tickets. It has not been so shown in the past. All of these shipping tickets will be consolidated here by the Roads Division and turned over to the Finance Sub-Commission.

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Original agreement with the Italian Government was that these trucks would be used for the movement of civilian supplies on the basis of the formula for the prevention of disease and unrest. In the South the Minister of Transport has already designated a field man for the control of these truck groups now under full Italian Government operation.

Present intent of the Italian Government, as stated by the Minister of Transport, is to turn over to private trucking operation these trucks now used directly by the Italian State Railroads or by other units of the Italian Government, such as the Ministry of Public Works and Utilities. 2553


FRANK UFFAN, JR.
Director

Ext. 220

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

EU/1rv

25 August 1945

547/23/Tn 1

SUBJECT: 20,000 Ton Lift Approximating 4,000 Vehicles for Sale
to the Italian Government

TO : Acting Vice President, Economic Section

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1. Attached hereto are letters, Appendices A through I, which give the correspondence exchange between AFHQ and Allied Commission regarding the estimated 4,000 vehicles which have been offered to the Italian Government.

2. With reference to Executive Commissioner's letter 5820/74/SC, dated 8 August 1945, it should be noted that no definite refusal of these vehicles was made by the Allied Commission.

3. This Headquarters' letter 200/56/Tn 1, dated July 3, 1945, (Appendix B) it was stated that until such time as the position on POL, spare parts, raw materials (for the manufacture of tires, etc.) and provision of additional personnel for the Truck Maintenance Group were forthcoming it was recommended that it was unwise to make additional vehicles available to the Italian Government. AFHQ's assistance in procuring the necessary tools and personnel to activate the special Truck Maintenance Group was requested.

4. This Headquarters' letter 547/13/Tn 1, dated 31 July 1945 (Appendix D) clearly stated that vehicles with an equivalent load lift of 20,000 tons were needed in Italy and that the Allied Commission approved the sale to the Italian Government, as a category A transaction. This headquarters has consistently pointed out that the 20,000 ton lift would require proportionate increase in the POL allotment.

5. Apparently the initial letters of Allied Commission regarding the above referred to 4,000 vehicles were misinterpreted by Allied Force Headquarters and by certain sections of this Headquarters.

6. With further reference to the Executive Commissioner's letter 5820/74/SC, dated 8 July 1945, there is little evidence that the POL situation had improved as of that date. Admittedly, AFHQ's gesture was a generous one. However, it is questionable whether the 4,000 vehicles could be

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classified as handsome, and while the expression looking a gift horse in the face is familiar, the expression of looking trucks in the mouth is a new one.

7. Status report on turn-over of these trucks to the Italian Government was forwarded to Office of the Vice President, Economic Section on 24 August 1945.

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FRANK UPMAN, JR.
Director

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Ext. 220

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

GP/lrv

547/22/Tn 1

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Essential Economic Transport - 4,000 Vehicles
for Sale to the Italian GovernmentTO : Colonel L. D. Densmore, Chief Staff Officer,
Economic Section

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1. The acceptance by the Allied Commission of AFHQ's offer of 4,000 load-carrying vehicles (approximately 20,000 tons lift) was held in abeyance until such time as the situation regarding the provision of spare parts, tools, and the personnel for the establishment of maintenance shops was clarified.
2. On the 31st of July 1945, the Allied Commission offered firm acceptance for the 4,000 vehicles. Your attention is directed to Economic Section letter 547/13/Tn 1.
3. Arrangements have been completed with the Ministry of Transport and the General Manager of ISR whereby a representative from these respective Ministries, together with the representative from the Ministry of Finance will accompany Major H. M. Downer of the Transportation Sub-Commission on the turn over of these vehicles and will sign all vouchers thereto in the names of these respective Ministries. The Manager of ISR has already agreed that these vehicles will be moved from American ordnance parks with the minimum of delay, commencing immediately at the time of the turn over. It has also been agreed with the aforementioned Ministers that guards will be provided by the Italian Government in order to insure the safekeeping of the vehicles until such time as they are moved from the ordnance parks.
4. The present position on these vehicles is as follows: Commencing Monday, August 27, 1,000 vehicles will be turned over to the Italian Minister of Transport at Verona. A further 830 vehicles will be turned over to the Italian Government commencing September 3. These vehicles are located at Modena, Mantova, Milan and Genoa.
5. The Transportation Sub-Commission has advised G-5, Allied Force Headquarters that the Italian Government is prepared to accept 1,000 vehicles per week until delivery is completed.

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6. It has been indicated by G-5 of AFHQ that possibly a total of approximately 6,000 vehicles will be turned over. This is due to the fact that all vehicles are not of load-carrying category and, therefore, in order to meet the 20,000 tons lift requirements it is necessary that more vehicles than was originally intended be allocated.

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FRANK UPMAN, JR
Director

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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TO AICOM ROME INFO 5 ARMY, PENBASE

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1. Ref our T-2 July 18 and your 547/13/TN 1 July 31 Subject
Sale of Vehicles to Italian Govt.

2. Your letter para 2. Question as to whether vehicles additional to 20,000 ton lift may be turned over for cannibalization is not yet firm. Rulling is awaited from CCS.

3. No information yet received from you regarding rate of acceptance of vehicles or results of meeting mentioned in para 2 of your letter under reference. Please advise earliest.

4. 1800 vehicles are already available in Northern ITALY for sale to Italian Govt. 1100 of these are at VERONA: remainder at MILAN, GENOA, MANTOVA and MODENA. Many are non runners and will need reconditioning. These are the first instalment of 4000 trucks.

5. Please state earliest whether Italian Govt are prepared to take them over and supply guards. It is necessary that these be taken over by 22 August owing to necessity for withdrawing military guards. Suggest Italian representatives should go up forthwith to inspect and take over.

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Action - Tn SC 2
Info - Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec
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Tel: 489081
Ext: 285

20 August 1955

SUBJECT:- Sale of W.D. Vehicles to the Italian Government.
TO :- A.F.H.Q. (for G-5 Section).

1. Reference para. 2 of your letter T-2 of 16 August 1945.
2. Nine of the M/Cycles referred to therein were returned to 408 R.V.P. on 8 August 1945. The remaining M/Cycle has been reported lost. Inquiries are at present being made by this Branch to ascertain the circumstances in which this machine was lost.

For the Chief Commissioner

Dallas 11/61

C.M. PARLIN
Colonel, Infantry
A/V.P. Establishment Section.

Copy to:- Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.

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TRANSLATION

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MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION

Rome July 20 1945

N° E.S. 2158/41

TO : Mr. MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director of the Transport Sub-Commission **2550**
Rome.

Dear Mr. Taylor,

I have received your letter N° 547/10/Tn.1. dated July 18, 1945 and I agree with you in the change that should be brought about to the last paragraph of my letter E.S. 2081/4.1. dated July 12, 1945 in the since that all the motor vehicles in question will be assigned to the Italian Government in the A category.

Yours Truly

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TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

Rome - 12 July 1945

Ref: No. F.S. 2081/4.1

SUBJECT: Allocation of Trucks to the Italian Government

Dear Mr. Merritt H. Taylor:

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In answer to the questions submitted at the meeting held in your office on 9 July, with the participation of the ISR General Director and the EMAC Manager -

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1. Reference to letter AC/348/Tn 5 of 27 June, it has been advised that:

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These trucks are going to be delivered to the ISR for services concerning the rehabilitation and for subsidiary road haulage.

2. Nearly 650 Allied trucks of Truck Pools operating in Southern Italy, in Abruzzi and Marche for the purpose of carrying civil supplies, have been made available to the Italian Government.

The delivery of said 650 trucks has been made through a Commission, composed of an Allied officer, a representative of the Ministry of Treasury, and an official of the Ministry of Transport.

The Italian Government will operate them effective 15 August.

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4. In addition to said vehicles, nearly 2244 trucks will also be turned over to the Italian Government;

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Said vehicles will be distributed in the localities mentioned in said letter to be organized in Truck Pools and operate effective as of dates mentioned in the letter.

5. Reference to the letter AC 348/Tn 5 of 3 July, addressed to the President of the Minister's Council, the Sub-Commission confirmed that the Allied authorities had no more military vehicles to allocate to the Italian Government in excess of those mentioned in the preceding paragraphs.

This was true 3 July.

According to the above-mentioned letter, the Sub-Commission advised that the Allied authorities contemplated the allocation to the Italian Government of 4000 other trucks of a loading capacity of 2.5 or 3 tons, plus a certain number of vehicles for cannibalization;

*on 9 July A.C. advised
of added Veh. Pools...*

*20,000 ton lift
British rated 3 T
after Com. advised American 2 1/2 T rated 3 3/4 T*

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Therefore, this Ministry points out:

I. The Italian Government accepts the offer of said 4000 vehicles besides those which are necessary for cannibalization.

II. For the reoperation of said 4000 trucks, it is possible that we could enter into contract with Eng. Sacchi, representative of the Consorzio of the Italian Air Industries.

But it must also be considered that the motor car industries which have factories and workshops located in all the national territory are in condition to undertake the same job and they will certainly request it.

Therefore, I will let you know what will be agreed with the representatives of said industries after a visit which I will soon pay to Milan, and as soon as I am informed of the localities where said vehicles will be delivered.

However, it is a definite impossibility to make an absolute engagement, it being convenient, from the economical point of view, to utilize the railway workshops and the private ones existing in the various localities.

III. State Railways are in a position to accept consignment of spare parts and tools necessary for the maintenance of trucks, either for those allocated to the Rail Administration or for those allotted to ENAC. However, you know that with regard to the spare parts for the Truck Pools, agreements have been made between an official of the Inspectorate and Captain Peterson on behalf of the Maintenance Group, while with regard to ISR, agreements are going to be made between the Principal Inspector, Mr. Salonia of ISR, and Colonel Carnes of the Motor Group. We would like this point clarified.

IV. With reference to paragraph 4, we give a positive answer.

V. State Railways will take care of the maintenance of trucks allocated to them, either in their own workshops or in those of private companies.

As ENAC does not have their own workshops, they will use private companies.

We have no objections to said workshops taking care of the maintenance of the AC and Relief Offices' vehicles under the same conditions agreed for the above-mentioned organizations.

VI. With regard to the supply of PCL and its distribution, I will deal with this matter in another letter.

VII. We hope that the distribution of PCL will improve in order to insure essential transport at least until the State and private railway systems will be properly reoperated.

However, the Ministry deems that the newly allocated 4000 vehicles will

However, it is a definite impossibility to make an absolute engagement, it being convenient, from the economical point of view, to utilize the railway workshops and the private ones existing in the various localities.

III. State Railways are in a position to accept consignment of spare parts and tools necessary for the maintenance of trucks, either for those allocated to the Rail Administration or for those allotted to EMAC. However, you know that with regard to the spare parts for the Truck Pools, agreements have been made between an official of the Inspectorate and Captain Peterson on behalf of the Maintenance Group, while with regard to ISR, agreements are going to be made between the Principal Inspector, Mr. Salonia of ISR, and Colonel Carnes of the Motor Group. We would like this point clarified.

IV. With reference to paragraph 4, we give a positive answer.

V. State Railways will take care of the maintenance of trucks allocated to them, either in their own workshops or in those of private companies.

As EMAC does not have their own workshops, they will use private companies.

We have no objections to said workshops taking care of the maintenance of the AC and Relief Offices' vehicles under the same conditions agreed for the above-mentioned organizations.

VI. With regard to the supply of POL and its distribution, I will deal with this matter in another letter.

VII. We hope that the distribution of POL will improve in order to insure essential transport at least until the State and private railway systems will be properly reoperated.

However, the Ministry deems that the newly allocated 4000 vehicles will be utilized also to substitute those which will be out of order.

VIII. It is agreed that effective 15 July the maintenance of vehicles, operating outside the territory of the 5th Army, will be the responsibility of the AC and the Italian Government.

IX. We require the following allocation of "jeeps" and motorcycles for the ISR, EMAC, the General Inspectorate of Civil Motorization and Transport in concession, the Ministry of Public Works:

State Railways	Jeeps	Motorcycles
EMAC	40	70
General Inspectorate of Motorization	110	110
Ministry of Public Works	16	20
TOTAL	25	200
	191	400

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These vehicles are necessary to transport officials, small amounts of materials, groups of workmen, and for moveable controls of traffic as well as for urgent mail distribution.

X. As we have already pointed out, we will take care of the maintenance of AC and Relief Offices' vehicles through private workshops. The Italian Government will extend the contracts under the same conditions, to the workshops concerned, advising them to comply with the contract and to supervise the operation of the work.

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As I must inform the Ministry of Treasury of the economic risk of the matter, I beg you to confirm that ~~some~~ of the vehicles mentioned in this letter will be allocated to the Italian Government in Category A, and if it is a transfer in Category B, please inform us of the costs as soon as possible.

(Signed) Ugo La Malfa
THE MINISTER

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TO AFHQ FOR PHGEO

Ref No. 4011

21 AUGUST 1945

ROUTINE

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TN 5/c

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Ref. P-6

6 August 1945

SUBJECT: POL for the ITALIAN Government

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TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Economic Section)

Ref your 547/13/Tn.1 dated 31 July 45, para 6. This
is being examined with Petroleum Section, AFHQ.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



H. P. CHOICE-JOHNSON

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Lt. Colonel
Economics & Supply Division

Copy to: Pet Sec.

547/17/TN

Director

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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AC/27/164/Tn5

3 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Transfer of Trucks from the Truck Operating Group to Truck Pools and Handover to the Italian Government.

TO : Economic Section.

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1. The following schedules show present status and future programs on the transfer of vehicles from the Truck Operating Group to Truck Pools.

2. PRESSENT STATUS

To date trucks have been handed over to Truck Pools in numbers and at locations as follows:

<u>TRUCK POOLS</u>	<u>NO. OF TRUCKS</u>
ANCONA	260
MACERATA	130
CHIETI	20
BARI	50
FOGGIA	50
LIVORNO	130
FIORINQUE	140
Total Southern Truck Pools	680
BOLOGNA	50
FERRARA	50
RAVENNA	50
RIMINI	50
Total EMILIA Region	140
GRAND TOTAL	820

3. Future Programs.

Between 1 and 20 August trucks will be handed over as follows:

<u>REGION</u>	<u>TRUCK POOL</u>	<u>NO. OF TRUCKS</u>
LIGURIA	Genoa	280
PIEDMONTE	Turin	272
LOMBARDIA	Milan	141
VENETIA	Verona	50

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<u>REGION</u>	<u>TRUCK POOL</u>	<u>NO. OF TRUCKS</u>
<u>VENEZIA</u>	Bolzano	30
"	Udine	40
"	Mestre	80
"	Treviso	40
"	Verona	172
"	Padova	152
	Total	544
<u>EMILIA</u>	Bologna	232
"	Modena	40
"	Reggio	40
	Total	312
TOTAL ALL REGIONS		1549

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The above figures are approximate only, due to lack of accurate information from the Truck Operating Group on actual vehicle holdings of A.C. Military Units in the North.

4. Handover to the Italian Government.

Title to trucks in para. 2 had already passed to the Italian Government. Representatives of the Ministry of Transport will take over title to trucks in para. 2 on delivery to Truck Pools.

5. Summary.

A summary of all trucks and control vehicles either already handed over to the Italian Government or to be handed over is given below:

<u>(a) Trucks Handed Over.</u>	<u>No. of Trucks</u>
Ex AG Truck Pools in Italian Govt. Territory	670
Ex Truck Op. Gp. in Italian Govt. Territory	820
	1490
To I.S.R. up to 27 July	1330
To Ministry of Public Works	158
Ex Truck Op. Gp. in AMG Territory	140
<u>TOTAL Trucks Handed Over.</u>	<u>3118</u>
<u>(b) Trucks to be Handed Over.</u>	
Ex Truck Op. Gp. in AMG Territory	*1549
To I.S.R.	530
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2079</u>

*Estimated figure only.

(c) Total Trucks in Completion of Handover.

In Italian Govt. Territory	1490
" AMG "	1689
To I.S.R.	1860
" Ministry of Public Works	158
	<u>5197</u>

(d) Control Vehicles

Jeeps handed over to the Italian Govt.	30	2542
" to be handed over to the Italian Govt	161	
	<u>191</u>	7341
TOTAL		
Motorcycles handed over to the Italian Govt.	130	
" to be " " " " " "	70	
	<u>200</u>	

5. Accurate figures of trucks transferred to the Italian Govt. from A.C. Military Transport units in AMG Territory will be available on completion of disbandment of these units.

[Signature]
for M. H. TAYLOR
Director

[Signature]
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

CF/ep

Ref: AC/54/40/TmS

31 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Sale of British Vehicles of Italian Transport Coys, AC, to the Italian Government.

TO : Truck Operating Group.

1. Attached hereto for your attention is copy of letter T-2, dated 27 July 1945, from G-5, A.F.H.Q.

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2. The following points arise on the letter:

- (a) Para. 2 (d) -- It is understood that no central and domestic vehicles were borrowed for 231/232 Coys except motor carts. Please confirm.
- (b) Paras. 2(e) and (f) -- This is a matter for Roads Division.
- (c) Para. 3(b) -- The Minister of Transport has agreed to accept the / 4,000 and will therefore also take the vehicles mentioned in this sub-para.
- (d) Para 4(a) -- This refers only to vehicles which were provided by A.F.H.Q. for 237 - 239 Coys and does NOT include any vehicles supplied by the Truck Operating Group.
- (e) Para 4(d) -- Will you please provide the information required showing the number of S.L.R. replacements needed in each Coy to bring it up to a strength of 138 trucks.
- (f) Para 5 -- Please give details of any vehicles loaned by A.F.H.Q. under para. 3 (d) which it is desired to sell.
- (g) Para. 6 -- You will note that all LAD tools and equipment will be on loan to the Maintenance Group until authority to sell to the Italian Government is obtained from CGS.

3. Returns -- Referring to para. 9(a), it is requested that you will forward returns to this HQ according to sub-paras. as follows:

- (a) Sub-para. (1) -- Return needed from you in respect of 4(b) only. Please submit immediately and not after sale as stated.

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- (b) Sub-para. (ii) -- This information is required forthwith.
- (c) Sub-para. (iii) -- Information required from you on 2 (4) only. A supply of pro-forma is enclosed for your use.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:


G. FARNBROUGH
Lt. Colonel, R.A.

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cc: Economic Section
Tptn. S/O (Tnl) ✓
G-4 (British)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

20 JULY 1945

ATTN 1- 566REF 1- AO/54/35/In5SUBJECT 1- Transfer of Jeeps to the
Italian GovernmentTO 1- H.Q. Truck Maintenance

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1. The minister of Transport has requested A.C. to transfer 191 Jeeps and 400 M.C.'s to the Italian Government. To date 100 M.C.'s have been handed over and a further 100 now arrived at port will be taken over when concentrated in Rome.
2. 20 Jeeps are understood to be available for hand-over next week. It is desired to plan (a) number of Jeeps which will be available for transfer between now and 30 September, when the Truck Maintenance Group is wound up, and (b) dates when blocks of Jeeps can be released from disbanded Units.
3. Transportation S/C are at present assigned 3 Jeeps, 6 for use of H.Q. Officers and 2 in the ANCONA area. A further 6 will be required making a total of 14 when available.

It is requested that you will state

- a) Total number required by the Truck Operating and Maintenance Groups for internal usage.
- b) No wrecked
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 - b) No wrecked
 - c) Balance of the 235 available for hand-over to the Government.
 - d) Dates when blocks of Jeeps will be ready to hand-over on disembarkment of Units.
 - e) Whether any additional to the first 20 will be available before 1 August as a result of disembarkment of 2 Truck Battalions.

By Command of REAR ADMIRAL STONE



G. PERRYHOUGH
Lt. Col. R.A.

Copy to : Economic Sec/
Tptn S/C (1) ✓

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: 220

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24 July 1945

SUBJECT: Allocation of Trucks to the
Italian Government.

TO : Donato Ugo La Malfa,
Minister of Transport,
Rome.

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Dear Donato La Malfa:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter 12 July, reference to 2081/41 as amended by your letter 20 July.

Under Section 2, third paragraph, you state the Italian Government will operate them effective 15 August. This statement is not understood because you are operating these 650 trucks as of the respective dates of turn over to the Italian Government, which turn over is practically completed.

Under Section 5, referring to letter 348/TN 5 of 3 July, this is quite correct. That condition prevailed on 3 July; however, on 9 July, additional vehicles were offered to you thru Allied Commission which had not previously been available either to Allied Commission or the Italian Government. The situation in regard to the 4,600 trucks plus additional vehicles for cannibalization has somewhat changed. You are now offered sufficient vehicles to provide 20,000 tons lift after cannibalization has been completed. In determining the number of vehicles to be received by you, British 3-ton vehicles will be counted as having a 3-ton lift; American 2-1/2 ton, 6x6 vehicles will be calculated at 3-3/4 ton lift. Mr. Gross will discuss with you tomorrow morning the necessity for prompt action in determining what organizations will recondition the above mentioned vehicles. Allied Commission is not interested with whom you contract for this work, providing there is no delay in acceptance of the vehicles.

In reference to maintenance arrangements with EAD and IAD, with particular reference to spare parts, on which point you request clarification, the only authority which you should recognize in this connection is either the Director or Deputy Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, or Chief of Road Division. No direct

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter 22 July, reference N. 2061/41 as amended by your letter 20 July.

Under Section 2, third paragraph, you state the Italian Government will operate from effective 15 August. This statement is not understood because you are operating these 656 trucks as of the respective dates of turn over to the Italian Government, which turn over is practically completed.

Under Section 5, referring to letter AG/348/DT 5 of 3 July, this is quite correct. That condition prevailed on 3 July; however, on 9 July, additional vehicles were offered to you thru Allied Commission which had not previously been available either to Allied Commission or the Italian Government. The situation in regard to the 4,000 trucks plus additional vehicles for cannibalization has somewhat changed. You are now offered sufficient vehicles to provide 20,000 tons lift after cannibalization has been completed. In determining the number of vehicles to be received by you, British 3-ton vehicles will be counted as having a 3-ton lift; American 2-1/2 ton, 6x6 vehicles will be calculated at 3-3/4 ton lift. Mr. Cross will discuss with you tomorrow morning the necessity for prompt action in determining what organizations will recondition the above mentioned vehicles. Allied Commission is not interested with whom you contract for this work, providing there is no delay in acceptance of the vehicles.

In reference to maintenance arrangements with ENAC and IAN, with particular reference to spare parts, on which point you request clarification, the only authority which you should recognize in this connection is either the Director or Deputy Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, or Chief of Road Division. No direct approach by the Motor Group to your Ministry or any of its element is authorized. Colonel Carnes will be advised accordingly.

In reference to Jeeps and motorcycles desired by you, it appears that you will progressively receive Jeeps up to the number requested, namely, 191; you will receive Motorcycles up to a total of 200, which is all that are available at this time. Although we cannot increase the prospect of obtaining any more motorcycles, I hesitate to make a positive statement in view of the additional trucks that so unexpectedly become available.

cc: Economic Section
Supply Division, E/S
Road Division
Finance S/G - Att: Chief Accts.
Special Truck Maintenance Group

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM S. TAYLOR,
Director.

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1000 - 12 July 1965
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Subject: Allocation of funds to the Italian Government

Dear Mr. Lucio M. Saylor:

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In answer to the question submitted at the meeting held in your office on 9 July, with the participation of the 1st General Director and the 1st Deputy:

In regard to the allocation of funds to the Italian Government, I have to inform you that the amount of 1000 million lire has been agreed on the 10th July.

1. Reference to letter 10/10/64 of 27 June, it has been decided that:

(a) The Italian Government will be able to obtain the amount of 1000 million lire for a total of 1000 million of these funds.

1000 million lire
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These funds are going to be allocated to the 1st General Director for the administration and for subsidiary and budgetary.

2. Twenty 500 Allied trucks of French make operating in Southern Italy, in Sicily and Sardinia for the purpose of carrying civil supplies, have been made available to the Italian Government.

The delivery of said 500 trucks has been made through a contract, signed by an Allied officer, a representative of the Ministry of Treasury, and an official of the Ministry of Transport.

The Italian Government will operate them effective 15 August.

3. On 25 June nearly 2000 captured enemy trucks have been turned over to the Italian Government; 600 of these are running and operating at present as part of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 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is subject to the allocation of funds to the Italian Government. I have
in accordance to committee and has been agreed to the subject.

1. Reference to letter 10/10/54/5 of 27 June, it has been advised that:
(a) The allied have been available to the Italian Government the number
of 1000 vehicles for a total list of 5000 tanks of some families.

1000 will have a loading capacity of 10 tons
1000 " " " 2.5 tons

These tanks are going to be delivered to the 1st for services now
operating the transportation and the subsidiary road bridge.

2. Nearly 500 allied tanks of French make operating in Southern Italy. In
addition and tanks for the purpose of carrying civil supplies, have been made
available to the Italian Government.

The delivery of said 500 tanks has been made through a Commission, now
headed by an allied officer, a representative of the Ministry of Treasury, and
an official of the Ministry of Transport.

The Italian Government will operate these vehicles 15 units.

3. On 25 June nearly 2000 captured enemy tanks have been turned over to
the Italian Government. 600 of these are running and operating at present as
part of the 1st, 11th.

4. In addition to said vehicles, nearly 2000 more will also be turned over
to the Italian Government.

1000 of these will have a load capacity of 1.5 tons; while
500 " " " 2.5 or 3 tons.

Said vehicles will be distributed in the territories mentioned in said
letter to be organized in French units and operate effectively as of date
mentioned in the letter.

5. Reference to the letter 10/10/54/5 of 9 July, addressed to the President
of the Committee's Council, the Commission confirmed that the allied nations
shall be to own military vehicles to allocate to the Italian Government in
accordance of those mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

According to the memorandum letter, the Commission advised that
the allied authorities contemplated the allocation to the Italian Government
of 1000 other tanks of a loading capacity of 2.5 or 3 tons, plus a certain
number of vehicles for an allocation.

Therefore, this Ministry points out:

I. The Italian Government maintains the view of mid 1950 which besides those which are necessary for mobilization.

II. For the recognition of mid 1950 levels, it is possible that no main factor into account with the Government, representatives of the Government of the Italian Air Industries.

III. It must also be considered that the other air industries which have production and working interest in all the national territory are in position to undertake the same job and they will eventually accept it.

Therefore, I will let you know that will be agreed with the Government of mid 1950 industries after a visit which I will soon pay to Milan, and as soon as I am informed of the facilities which mid 1950 will be allowed.

However, it is a definite responsibility to make an absolute commitment, it being understood, from the economic point of view, as stated the railway workshops and the private ones existing in the various localities.

III. These railways are in a position to accept commitment of some people and those necessary for the maintenance of tracks, either for those allocated to the national administration or for those allocated to the Government, you know that with regard to the spare parts for the French trucks, agreements have been made between an official of the Government and the Italian Government on behalf of the Italian Government, this with regard to the Government and the Italian Government, the principal interest, Mr. Salvini of the Government of the Italian Government. We would like this point clarified.

IV. With reference to paragraph 4, we give a positive answer.

V. These railways will take care of the maintenance of tracks allocated to them, either in their own workshops or in those of private companies.

VI. It is clear that these are workshops, they will use private workshops.

We have no objection to mid 1950 taking care of the maintenance of tracks and rolling stock, vehicles under the same conditions agreed for the Government and organizations.

VII. With regard to the supply of fuel and the classification, I will deal with this matter in another letter.

VIII. We hope that the classification of fuel will improve in order to have essential equipment at least until the State and private railway systems will be properly reorganized.

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These vehicles are necessary to transport of tanks, small amounts of supplies, groups of personnel, and for assembly maintenance of traffic as well as for urgent mail distribution.

As we have already pointed out, we will take care of the maintenance of all and higher officials vehicles through private enterprise. The Italian Government will extend the contract under the same conditions to the vehicles now owned, including those to supply with the contract and to supervise the operation of the state.

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As I must leave the Ministry of Economy at the moment of the economic visit of the matter, I beg you to confirm that of the vehicles mentioned in this letter will be allocated to the Italian Government in category A, and if it is a group per in category B, please inform us of the costs as soon as possible.

(signed) Sign. E. De Michelis
Minister of Economy



IL MINISTRO DEI TRASPORTI

Roma, li 12 Luglio 1945

n. F.S. 2081/4.1

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Oltres. Trans. 2081/4.1
Taylor*

OGGETTO: Cessione autocarri al Governo Italiano.

Caro Sig. Merritt H. Taylor,

rispondo ai quesiti, di cui alla riunione tenuta nel suo ufficio il 9 corrente con l'intervento del Direttore Generale delle F.S. e del Direttore Generale dell'E.N.A.C.

Circa la cessione di autocarri al Governo Italiano ritengo anzitutto opportuno riassumere quanto finora è stato convenuto al riguardo:

1° - Con lettera n° AC/343/Tn.5 del 27 giugno u.s. è stato comunicato che:

- a) Gli Alleati hanno messo a disposizione del Governo Italiano 1.860 automezzi per una portata complessiva di 5.000 tonnellate; Di essi:
- n° 260 della portata di 10 tonnellate
 - " 1600 " " " 1,5 tonnellate

Questi autocarri sono in corso di consegna alle F.S. per servizi relativi alla ricostruzione e per trasporti sussidiari camionistici.

- 2° - Sono stati pure messi a disposizione del Governo Italiano circa 650 autocarri alleati facenti parte dei Truck-Pools in funzione nell'Italia Meridionale, negli Abruzzi e nelle Marche, destinati ai rifornimenti civili.

Le operazioni di consegna dei predetti 650 autocarri sono state eseguite tramite una Commissione composta di un Ufficiale Alleato, di un rappresentante del Ministero del Tesoro e di uno del Ministero dei Trasporti.

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La gestione di essi da parte del Governo Italiano avrà inizio il 15 agosto p.v.

- 3° - Pure al Governo Italiano sono stati trasferiti in data 25 giugno u.s. circa 2.000 autocarri di preda bellica, dei quali circa 600 efficienti, attualmente in funzione alle dipendenze dell'I.N.T. della Sicilia.

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- 4° - In aggiunta ai predetti automezzi, verranno ceduti pure al Governo Italiano circa 2.244 camions, dei quali:

- 1.700 della portata di Tonn. 1,5
- 580 " " " " 2,5 + 3

Detti automezzi saranno ripartiti nelle località, che risultano dalla lettera in riferimento, per essere organizzati in "Truck-Pools" e funzionare alle date indicate nella lettera stessa.

- 5° - Con lettera AC.348/Tn.5 del 3 corrente mese indirizzata al Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri, codesta Sottocommissione confermava che le Autorità Alleate non avevano altra disponibilità di autocarri militari da assegnare al Governo Italiano in più di quelli indicati nei precedenti paragrafi.

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Con l'appunto, cui si risponde, codesta Sottocommissione informa ora che le Autorità Alleate avrebbero intenzione di cedere al Governo Italiano altri 4.000 autocarri della portata di Tonn. 2,5 + 3, ed in più un certo numero di autoveicoli da servire per rimettere in efficienza i primi con lavoro di cannibalizzazione.

In proposito questo Ministero comunica:

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I - Il Governo Italiano accetta l'offerta dei 4.000 veicoli, di cui sopra, oltre quelli necessari per la cannibalizzazione.

II - Per la rimessa in efficienza dei suindicati 4.000 autocarri, non si esclude che si possa stipulare un contratto con l'Ing. Sacchi, rappresentante del Consorzio delle Industrie Aeronautiche Italiane. ²⁵³²

Occorre però tener presente che anche le industrie automobilistiche aventi stabilimenti ed officine sparse in tutto il territorio nazionale sono in condizioni di provvedere allo stesso lavoro e richiederanno di farlo.

Mi riservo quindi di far conoscere quanto verrà concordato con i rappresentanti delle suddette industrie dopo un abboccamento che conto di avere prossimamente a Milano, tenuto anche conto delle località nelle quali gli autoveicoli verrebbero consegnati, e delle quali gradirei avere notizie.

E' certo tuttavia che un impegno in linea assoluta non è possibile prendere essendo conveniente, anche dal punto di vista economico, utilizzare le Officine Ferroviarie e quelle private esistenti nelle varie località.

III - Le Ferrovie dello Stato sono in condizioni di prendere in consegna le parti di ricambio e gli attrezzi necessari per la manutenzione degli autocarri sia per quelli destinati all'Amministrazione Ferroviaria stessa, sia per quelli destinati all'E.N.A.C. Vi è noto tuttavia che per quanto riguarda i pezzi di ricambio da assegnare ai "Truck-Pools" contatti sono in corso tra un funzionario dell'Ispettorato e il Cap. Petterson per conto del Maintenance Group, mentre per quanto riguarda le F.S. gli accordi sono in corso fra l'Ispettore Principale Sig. SAIONIA delle F.S. ed il Col. Carnes del Motor Group. Ci sarebbe gradito che questo punto fosse chiarito.

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IV - Al punto 4 si risponde affermativamente.

V - Le F.S. provvederanno alla manutenzione degli autocarri assegnati in parte nelle proprie officine, ed in parte ricorrendo a ditte private.

L'E.N.A.C., non avendo proprie officine, provvederà esclusivamente con officine private. **2531**

Nulla si ha contro a che le predette officine provvedano anche alla manutenzione degli autocarri della "A.C." e degli "Uffici di aiuto" alle stesse condizioni concordate per i suindicati enti.

VI - Per quanto concerne l'approvvigionamento dei carburanti ed i criteri di distribuzione mi riservo di rispondere con lettera a parte.

VII - Si spera che l'approvvigionamento di carburanti possa essere migliorato onde assicurare i trasporti essenziali almeno fino a quando la rete ferroviaria dello stato e quella in concessione non venga ripristinata adeguatamente.

Tuttavia questo Ministero ritiene che i 4.000 autocarri di nuova concessione potranno essere bene utilizzati anche per sostituire quelli che verranno messi fuori uso.

VIII - Si è d'accordo che la responsabilità della manutenzione degli autoveicoli circolanti fuori del territorio della 5^a Armata spetta, dal 15 corrente, all'A.C. ed al Governo Italiano.

IX - Per le F.S., l'E.N.A.C., l'Ispettorato Generale della Motorizzazione Civile e Trasporti in concessione e per il Ministero dei LL.PP., si chiede l'assegnazione dei seguenti quantitativi di "Jeeps" e di motociclette:

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	Jeeps	Motociclette
Ferrovie dello Stato	40	70
E.N.A.C.	110	110
Ispettorato M.C. e T.C.	15	20
Ministero M.P.P.	25	200
Totale	191	400
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Questi mezzi sono necessari per spostare funzionari, piccoli quantitativi di materiali e gruppi di operai sui lavori per un controllo mobile del traffico stradale e per servizi urgenti di corrispondenza.

X - Come si è già detto, alla manutenzione degli autoveicoli della A.C. e degli "Uffici di Aiuto" si provvederebbe a mezzo di officine private. Il Governo Italiano si assumerebbe l'incarico di estendere i contratti, alle identiche condizioni, alle officine interessate obbligandole all'osservanza dei patti e vigilando sulla loro esecuzione.

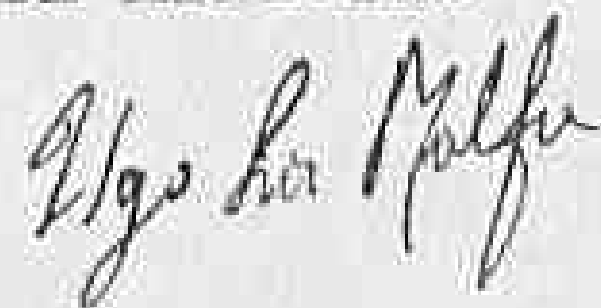
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Dovendo informare il Ministero del Tesoro ^{per} l'espletamento delle pratiche finanziarie di sua competenza, vi preghiamo di volerci confermare che ^{tutti} ^{gli} ~~nessuno~~ degli automezzi, di cui alla presente lettera, verranno ceduti al Governo Italiano in categoria A e nel caso si tratti di trasferimento in categoria B di volerci comunicare, appena possibile, i prezzi di addebito.

IL MINISTRO





IL MINISTRO DEI TRASPORTI

Roma, 11 20 Luglio 1945

n. F.S. 2158/4.1

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Caro Sig. Taylor,

Accuso ricevuta della Sua lettera n. 547/10/Tn. 1 in data 18 corr. e sono d'accordo con Lei circa la variante da apportare all'ultimo paragrafo della mia lettera F.S. 2081/4.1 del 12/7 nel senso che tutti gli autoveicoli in questione saranno assegnati al Governo Italiano in categ. A.

Cordiali saluti

suo sinceramente

Al Sig. Merritt H. TAYLOR
Direttore della Sotto-Commissione
Trasporti - R C M A

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HEAD JAPANESE ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel: 220

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24 July 1945

SUBJECT: Salvage and Lost CertificatesTO : Acting Vice President,
Economic Section.

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1. A number of vehicles operated by Special Truck Group have been damaged beyond repair, stolen, or lost.

2. These vehicles are in process of being delivered to the Italian Government under Category "A" procedure.

3. It is necessary to deliver to Finance Sub-Commission receipt from the Italian Government for vehicles delivered to them plus salvage, lost, and theft certificates of competent authority so that a charge may be raised against the Italian Government in dollars and sterling for the total number of vehicles originally received by Allied Commission.

4. The following procedure is proposed:

- a) Salvage, lost, or theft certificates forwarded to Transportation Sub-Commission by Commanding Officer, Special Truck Maintenance Group.
- b) Concurrence obtained from Road Division, Transportation Sub-Commission.
- c) Final approval of certificate by Director or Deputy Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.
- d) Certificate delivered to Finance Sub-Commission as proper authority for raising a charge against the Italian Government.
- e) Your approval of this procedure is requested.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR,
Director.

cc: Finance S/C
Road Division, Tn. S/C
Special Truck Maintenance Group
Deputy Director, Tn. S/C

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel: 220

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18 July 1945

Doctor Ugo La Malfa,
Minister of Transport,
Rome.

Re: Allocation of Trucks to the
Italian Government.

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My dear Mr. Minister:

Reference is made to your letter 12 July, FD2081/4/1. The final paragraph of your letter should read "As I must inform the Ministry of the Treasury of the economic risk of the matter, I beg you to confirm that all of the vehicles mentioned in this letter will be allocated to the Italian Government in Category "A", etc." In other words, the word "all" should be substituted for the word "none". It has been well understood from the start that these vehicles are Category "A" vehicles for which the Allied Governments will raise a charge in dollars and sterling against the Italian Government. You will recall that this does not affect your dollar and sterling credits in Washington and London which are available for Category "B" purchases.

I therefore ask your permission to change the word "none" to "all" in your letter of 12 July, and when confirmation from you is received, I will proceed promptly to deal with the other matters referred to.

Yours very truly,

MERRITT H. TAYLOR,
Director.

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INLET OFFICE MEMOTRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Roads Division

Tele. 336

GS/sp

Ref: AG/64/18/TMB

3 July 1948.

SUBJECT: Request for Trucks.

TO : Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission.

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1. Reference your 676/3/TMB dated 30 June 1948, and conversation (Col. Ristett - Lt. Col. Fernyhough) of 1 July 1948.

2. It has been found that we are unable to make available 200 trucks as discussed but 150 "war weary" 3 1/2 ton trucks will be sold by this Sub-Commission to the Italian Government for allocation to the Ministry of Public Works. It is intended that the vehicles shall be handed over to the Ministry of Transport through whom all sales to the Government are conducted. The Ministry of Transport will then arrange transfer to the Ministry of Public Works.

3. Forty-two (42) of the vehicles to be handed over are presently located at Civitavecchia, and a further 110 at Aversa, near Naples. On confirmation in writing from the Minister of Transport that he is prepared to accept delivery of the vehicles, we propose that a representative of the Ministry of Public Works shall visit both Civitavecchia and Aversa, with a representative of this Sub-Commission, to conduct a physical take-over of the vehicles and to sign for them on memorandum receipt. At a later date the Ministry of Public Works will be requested to sign priced shipping tickets upon which a subsequent charge will be drawn against the Italian Government. It is also desired that the Ministry of Public Works shall provide drivers for the collection of vehicles from the above mentioned points.

4. Will you please confirm that the above arrangements are acceptable to the Ministry of Public Works before we approach the Ministry of Transport?

5. Regarding spare parts for these vehicles, A.F.M.C. have agreed to release a 50 day scale from the theatre stocks. When these are received it is proposed to hand them over to the Ministry on the same basis as the trucks.

For the Director:


G. FERNYHOUGH
Lt. Colonel, R.A.
cc: Truck Operating Group
Transportation S/C (2) Tw 1.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION Sub-Commission

EXT :- 566
REV :- AC/54/19/Fa5
SUBJECT :- Sale of Vehicles to the
Italian Government
TO :- G - 5 A.F.H.Q.

3 JULY 1945

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1. Reference is made to your letter T-2 dated 25 June 45 .
2. 84 of the 200 trucks, 8 1/2 ton, 6 x 6 have already been collected .
Of these 42 have already been assigned to the Truck Operating Group
for replacement of trucks in 1 Truck Bn. These vehicles will be sold
to the Italian Government at a later date .
3. Negotiations are proceeding for the hand-over to the Government of
the balance of 158 . It is intended that a representative of the
government with an officer of this Sub-Commission, shall physically
take over these trucks at present locations e.g. 116 at AVERSA and
42 at CIVITAVECCHIA . The hand-over will be on memorandum receipt,
pending arrival of signed priced shipping ticket . The Government
have been requested to arrange for collection simultaneously with
take-over .
4. It is requested that the priced shipping tickets may be forwarded
to this Sub-Commission as soon as possible .

For the Chief Commissioner

G. Farnyhouse
G. FARNYHOUSE
Lt. Col. R.A.

Copy to :- Economic Section
Truck Operating Group
Transportation Sub-Comm/ (2) *TNI* ✓

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Ministry of Transports
I.S.R. Direction General
Office of Director General

Rome 30 June 1945

N. 1966/4.1/S. *Deca/5249/3*

Oggetto:

Motor vehicles for I.S.R.

Transportation Sub Commission AC.
(Rail Division)
Maggiore A.C.Ping

R o m e

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We reply to letter AC/239/Tn.4 dated 22 June 1945,
concerning allocation of motor vehicles to I.S.R.

1. Up to Saturday 30 June, 600 motor vehicles have been delivered by the Allied HQ.
2. Up to this date, 219 of these vehicles have been assigned.
3. 50 vehicles have been destined to Leghorn for Genoa and Turin, 80 to Florence, 10 to Naples, 50 to Bologna for Milan, 29 to Rome Compartimento. The others have partly been tested and partly are being registered and numbered.
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However, in view of the present situation of the communications, especially with Northern Compartimenti, the required weekly data will not be referred, for the moment, to the previous week, but to those preceeding the latter one.

Send this copy

to Direzione.

Ca. 2/7/46. Copy retained by

Rail Dir

Director General

Signed: Di Raimondo

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

HQS/op

Ref: AG/349/TNS

30 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Military Vehicles.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Reference our AG/349/1/TNS dated 31 May 1945 and AG/349/TNS 92 dated 27 June 1945, regarding Italian Military vehicles, the following applies. Commencing Wednesday morning at 0900 hours you will report Italian Military vehicles under your control to Dr. Bruno Marsano at Italian Military Motor Park No. 1, Reparto Reparatrice Via Guido Reni, Rome. Dr. Marsano will receive duplicate receipts from IDIA, this Headquarters, one of which will be retained by Roads Division, Transportation Sub-Commission, AG and one will be handed over to the firm operating the vehicles.

2. The above orders must be strictly complied with. Any reason for delay of any sort whatsoever will be reported to these Headquarters immediately.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

H. M. Down
H. M. DOWNER
Major, Ord. Dept.

cc: ~~Legal~~ Sub-Commission
Director, Transportation Sub-Commission
Col. Walton, Economic Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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Ref: AC/27/74/Pn5

22 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Transfer of Trucks in Truck Operating Group to Civilian Truck Pools.

TO : See Distribution.

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1. Reference is made to our signal 542 dated 25 June addressed to Sen. T.O., BARI and Captain Price's visit to this H.Q. on 25 June on the above subject.

2. Attached hereto for your information is a copy of our AC/27/58/Pn5 dated 27 June, showing dates and locations for delivery of trucks. As the Truck Operating Group may be unable to deliver all trucks on the dates shown, a signal will be sent to you notifying any change in the programme.

On completion of delivery you will notify this Sub-Commission by signal number of serviceable and unserviceable trucks received.

3. Trucks have been allotted for the following purposes:

- (a) CHIETI -- 20 for railhead clearance ONTOHA.
- (b) YOGGIA -- 50 to replace 8 x 10 ton Flats moved to AQUILA to increase the lift available for the harvest.
- (c) BARI -- 50 to provide an additional lift for the harvest. Disposition of these trucks among SUBEST and SITA pools will be made by Major Taylor to meet local needs and locations notified to this Sub-Commission.

A report will be rendered to this Sub-Commission by 7 July stating the number of new trucks in service and confirming that sufficient additional drivers have been engaged.

4. The Italian Government will shortly take over No. 3 Truck Pool, CHIETI and the SUBEST and SITA pools in the BARI area. Capt. Richardson of the Roads Division, accompanied by engineers and accountants of the Government, will visit each Truck Pool to perform a physical check of all vehicles. The Italian representatives will sign for all trucks, including those to be delivered as shown above.

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A further visit will be made to No. 1 Truck Pool, FOGGIA to handover the new trucks.

5. After handover of the FOGGIA and BARI Truck Pools, the Italian Government will be entirely responsible for operation and maintenance. Major Taylor will act as liaison officer between this H.Q. and Italian Government Directors of the Pools, rendering technical advice and assistance on operation and maintenance matters. It is important that the Government provide maximum lift from each Pool.

6. Pet. Sec. will release additional P.O.L. to the Italian Government for the operation of the new trucks.

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By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

G. PENNINGTON
Lt. Colonel, R.A.

Distribution:

Major C.E.G. Taylor, Sen. T.O. A.C. - BARI
Capt. J.S. Billinghamst, T.O. No. 1 Truck Pool, A.C. - FOGGIA
Capt. F.R. Price, T.O. No. 3 Truck Pool A.C. - CHIENTI

cc: Tptn S/C (3) *Tul.*
Truck Operating Group

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: AG/54/15/TMB

28 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Turnover of 2nd Battalion M.T. Group Vehicles to Italian Government.

TO : Lt. L.E. Clark, Marche Region.

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1. Between the dates 1 - 15 July 1945, you will arrange for the handing over of three hundred and eighty (380) 1½ ton vehicles from the 2nd Battalion M.T. Group, ALCON, to the Italian Government. This is to include tools and spare parts.

2. These vehicles will be distributed as follows:

Ancona Province -- 250
Macerata Province -- 130

3. The Italian Government will receipt for all vehicles mentioned in para. 1 on a USAGC Shipping Ticket, in sextuplicate. The Shipping Ticket will record the number, chassis number, motor number of each vehicle. All vehicles will be turned over regardless of serviceability or state of cannibalization. Tires on these vehicles will be listed on a separate Shipping Ticket by size and serial number.

4. The Inspectorato di Motorizzazione (Ancona) will be authorized to accept these vehicles and to sign the Shipping Tickets.

5. You will remain attached to Italian Government Territory and will act as liaison officer from this office to the Italian Government.

6. Your duties will be as follows:

- (a) Render technical advice for the organization and operation of these vehicles into existing or newly organized truck pools.
- (b) Render technical advice on matters pertaining to maintenance of vehicles.
- (c) Assist and insist that the Italian Government gain a maximum left from these vehicles.

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- (d) Keep this office informed by Weekly Reports (beginning 8 July 1945) as to the progress the Italian Government is making in organizing and operating these vehicles into Truck Pools.

7. The Enlisted men and other ranks assigned to you at this time may be utilized as you best see fit.

8. Your headquarters may be maintained at Ascoli-Piceno.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

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G. G. GROSS Jr.
Chief,
Roads Division.

cc:

Economic Section
Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.
Movements (Roads)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

GF/hgd

28 June 1945

AC/27/72/TM.9

SUBJECT : Transfer of Trucks in Truck Operating
Group to Civilian Truck Pools.

TO : Lt.Col.Giles, Senior Transportation Officer
A.C. Florence.
Capt. R.I.Bent.

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1. Reference conference held at this H.Q. on 25 June
attached hereto for your information is copy of our
AC/27/68/TM.5 dated 27 June, showing dates and numbers
of trucks and locations of handovers.

2. As the Truck Operating Group may be unable to
handover on the exact dates stated, you will be notified
by signal of any changes in the program. On completion of
handover, a report should be sent to this Sub-Commission
showing the number of serviceable and unserviceable trucks
delivered at each location.

3. Please forward progress reports on the formation
of truck pools on 8,15 and 22 July. It is anticipated that
the Italian Govt. will shortly take over all pools in
ANCONA, MACERATA, FLORENCE and LEGHORN and will be respon-
sible for operations under your supervision.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:


G. Feinbough,
Lt.Colonel, R.A.

Copy to: Tn.3/C (3) *W.L.*
Truck Operating Group
Lt.Clark T.O. AND MACERATA

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION GF/ep
27 June 1945.

Ref: AC/27/58/Tns

SUBJECT: Transfer of Trucks in A.C. Military Units to Civilian Pools.

TO : H.C. Truck Operating Group.

1. Reference your letter AC/MG/201/1 dated 23 June 1945.
2. Information requested in your para. 2 is set out hereunder.

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Serial	Date	Present Unit	No. of Trucks	Delivery Location
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3	"	"	40	221 I.T. Coy Park, LIVORNO
4	"	225 I.T. Coy	140	52 Viale Oriani, BOLOGNA
5	"	9 Q.M. Coy	20	No. 3 Tk. Pool, CHIETI
6	"	9 " "	30	POLLENZA
7	3 July	10 " "	50	OSIMO
8	5 "	11 " "	50	OSIMO
9	7 "	12 " "	50	(a) ANCONA
10	9 "	13 " "	50	(a) ANCONA
11	11 "	14 " "	50	No. 6 Tk. Pool, MACERATA
12	13 "	15 " "	50	(a) ANCONA
13	15 "	16 " "	50	POLLENZA
14	15 "	221 I.T. Coy	70	(b) LEGHORN
15	19 "	" " "	70	(b) " "
16	17 "	222 I.T. Coy	70	(b) FLORENCE
17	21 "	" " "	70	(b) " "
18	15 July	223 I.T. Coy	150	(c) PADOVA
19	15 "	224 " "	150	(c) GENOA

Notes: (a) Provisional only. Actual location to be notified
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3. Names of officers who will sign for trucks are:

Serial	1.	Capt. J.S. Billinghamurst, T.O. FOGGIA
2.	Major C.E.G. Taylor, Son. T.O. BARI	
3,14-17.	Lt. Col. J.M.N. Gillet, T.O. FLORENCE	
4.	Major G.B. Sowers, Son. T.O. BOLOGNA	
5.	Capt. F.R. Price, T.O. CHIETI	
6-13.	Lt. L.E. Clark T.O. MACERATA	
18.	Col. J.S. Woodger, Son. T.O. PADOVA	
19.	Major H.B. James, Son. T.O. GENOA	

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Due to a conference of A.C. T.O.'s at this H.Q. on 2 July, some of the above officers may appoint deputies to sign for them. Names shown against serials 18 and 19 are subject to alteration when Regions reply to our signal 560 dated 25 June. Please arrange that copies of the tally-out sheets to be signed by receiving officers, are given to these officers and to this Sub-Commission.

4. Reference para. 3 of your letter, receiving officers cannot be responsible for returning Italian drivers to replacement camps. This is entirely a responsibility of the unit holding the drivers e.g. Truck Operating Group. It would be impracticable to use civilian drivers, newly engaged, to carry a large number of Italian soldiers to depots. It is suggested that you send additional trucks with each convoy to transport the drivers to depots under command the officer i/c each convoy.

5. Regarding para. 5 of your letter, Col. Carnes today stated his intention of asking Economic Section to arrange a conference to discuss the functions of the Truck Maintenance Group.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

G. G. GROSS Jr.
Chief,
Roads Division

CC: Regional Commissioner

EMILIA Region

LIGURIA "

VENETIA "

Lt. Col. Giles, Sen. T.O. A.C. FLORENCE

Maj. Taylor, Sen. T.O. A.C. RARI

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Capt. Price, T.O. A.C. CHIETI

Lt. Clark, T.O. A.C. MACERATA

Transportation S/C (5)

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

Tel. 843238

Ref. AC/239/Tn 4

28 June 45

SUBJECT : Road Vehicles for ISR.

TO : General di Raimondo
Director General ISR

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1. Before the Director of this Sub-Commission visited Washington, he requested a detailed list of cars and trucks required by ISR, in order that some steps could be taken to meet the basic needs.
2. A list was supplied by ISR, and in so far as trucks were concerned, an attempt was made to secure through British and American sources some vehicles to assist in urgent work.
3. The decision to turn over trucks from AC-sponsored trucks pools will now obviate in the main the whole list of truck requirements submitted, but an immediate and detailed inventory of Headquarters & Compartmental needs must be made.
4. We have received through your Engineering Department a request for Jeeps; and must point out it is quite useless for individual departments to make sporadic requests for vehicles. A complete list is required, covering all Departments, when it will receive careful consideration.
5. The reasons why any particular type of vehicle is required should be given. Rome has never seemed more full of private cars, apparently being used for pleasure purposes, and the Government has powers of requisitioning. It is expected, therefore, that details of vehicles requisitioned to meet the needs of the country will be shown in any list, so that your own efforts to meet the situation

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Arthur W. W.
Director

Copy to: Director, Tn Sub-Comm.
Planning Div Tn S/C
Major Long (Rails)
MRS.

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