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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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Ref. 214/1/tn.2

27 July 1945

SUBJECT: Timber Requirements of Italian State Railways.

TO : Rail Division
(Attn. Maj. Long).

1. Reference your AC/Mat/2/13/Tn.4 of 25 July 1945.

2. I had a phone conversation with Maj. Gent of Commerce Sub-Commission who stated that Austrian timber can not be exported to Italy until Austrian Government is established and Finance Sub-Commission has clarified exchange procedure.

3. Regarding import of timber from Brazil, we feel that the attention of I.E.R. should be drawn to AG.091.3/053 GME-O issued by A.F.H.Q. on 21 June 1945, copy of which is attached. Action, as clearly defined in this direction is the responsibility of I.E.R.

4. Status of MGS-294--to remain unchanged. However it might be well to have you know that this is considered by A.F.H.Q. as a category "B" requirement and is being dealt with as such by this office.

Copies to:

A.F.H.Q. - G-5 Section
(Attn. Capt. D. E. Lathrop).

Director,
Commerce Sub-Commission.

CHARLES RYAN
Chief, Planning Staff
Transportation Sub-Commission

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

File N. AC/Mat/2/13/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Timber Requirements of I.S.R.

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TO : Planning Staff Tn 2
Attn: Major Richardson

1. Reference AC/Mat/2/12/Tn 4 dated 13 July 45 addressed to Commerce Sub-Commission with list of timber required by I.S.R. in Northern Italy copy to you.
2. Attached is reply received from Commerce Sub-Commission which is of very little help, as we already know that timber is no longer controlled by A.F.L.R.S., except in Calabria, but we do know that it is blocked by P.B.S. which is a difficult obstacle to pass.
3. We can get no where with our request by sending it to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.
4. Will it be possible to initiate a request on P.B.S. for the release of the timber through the Acting V.Pres. of the Economic Section?

Cm. Long May. 1945
for Chief
Rail Division

Incl: Letter referred to in para 2
AC/5300/3/Commerce dated 16 July 45

Transp. Sub-Commission (Rail Div.)
25 July 1945
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SUBJECT : Railway Sleepers MGS-294-TC

23 July 45.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394,
(Attn: Transportation Sub-Commission).

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1. As indicated the letter of transmittal dated 7 May 1945 with which this Headquarters forwarded the Program of Essential Imports - 1945 to Combined Chiefs of Staff, WASHINGTON, Requisition MGS-294-TC is considered to be a Category B requirement. The channel of communication regarding Category B items is directly from AC to CCAC and not through this Headquarters.

2. With reference to the possibility of importation of railway ties from Brazil, your attention is invited to letter Ag.091.3/053 GEG-0 issued by this Headquarters on 21 June 1945 subject: Responsibility for Italian Trade Matters.

3. It is believed that the Foreign Trade Section, Commerce Sub-Commission is the responsible Section within Allied Commission to negotiate for the purchase of the lumber required.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

D. E. Lathrope

D. E. LATHROPE,
Captain, C.A.C.
Economics & Supply.

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Ref. AC/5300/8/Commerce

SUBJECT: Timber Requirements of I.S.R.

TO : Transportation Subcommittee HQ AC
(Attn. Rail Division)

1. Your letter AC/Mat/2/12/Tn 4 dated 13 July 1945 refers.

2. With the exception of standing timber in the two areas reserved for the British and American services in Calabria, timber is no longer controlled by AFLRS(I)B, and the requirement of I.S.R. should be placed through Ministry of Transportation to Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

H. A. Gent
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Major
Director
Commerce Subcommittee

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21 June 1945

AG 091.3/053 GHE-O

SUBJECT: Responsibility for Italian Foreign Trade Matters.

TO: Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 394

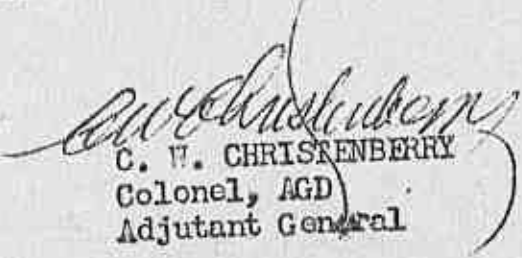
1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff have now agreed to direct negotiations between the Italian Government and other countries on foreign trade matters, and have authorized the Allied Commission to communicate directly with combined agencies in London and Washington on such matters.

2. In view of this action, and in accordance with the understanding reached at the Seventh Meeting of the Supreme Commander's Economic Sub-Committee at AFHQ on 22 May 1945, this headquarters is relieved of responsibility for the operation and conduct of Italian foreign trade, except insofar as concerns its present responsibilities for the procurement of civilian supplies through the medium of the Combined Chiefs of Staff, and as concerns the allocation of shipping.

3. Except as indicated in paragraph 2 above, the Allied Commission will assume responsibility for such control and guidance of and assistance to the Italian Government in all foreign trade matters as have been or may be directed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

4. To assist the Allied Commission in carrying out the above responsibility and as a means of establishing channels of communication and negotiations which will be of assistance to the Italian Government in the future, it is suggested that the Allied Commission establish a committee consisting of such civilian and diplomatic agencies as may be appropriate. This committee should include the Mediterranean Shipping Board and suitable representation from the Italian Government.

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