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Tele : 478303 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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19 July 1945

Our ref.: AC/19/27/TM 3

SUBJECT : P.O.L.

TO : Headquarters R.A.A.C.

1. Confirming telephone conversation of this morning with S & T Branch the following information is given.

2. One of the transportation officers working for AMG GENOA has a car in ROME which it is desired should be sent to GENOA where it will be used for AMG transportation duties.

3. Details of the car are given below:-

Make FIAT "1500"
Engine No. 019774
Chassis No. 019672
Targa S6671 ROME
Owner MASCIA ARDENJEV (wife)

4. As the car is to be used for AMG work, the Chamber of Commerce will not issue petrol coupons. Application was therefore made to you for assistance and it will be appreciated if you will issue the necessary authority for drawing P.O.L. at W.D. points en route for the journey ROME-GENOA.

5. The owner of the car will call on you for the authority as soon as date of journey is definite.

For the Chief Commissioner:

C. SEAIT-GARDNER
Major

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25 June 1945

Tel. 478303 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
Transportation Sub Commission

25 June 1945

Ref. : AC/19/19/Tn.3

SUBJECT : POL Allocation.

TO : Regional Transportation Officers : LIGURIA Region
PIEMONTE " "
LOMBARDIA " "
EMILIA " "
VENEZIA " "

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By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

M.J. Sieff
M.J. SIEFF, Colonel.

Copy to : AFHQ Pet. Sec.
Civil Affairs Sec. HQ. 15 Army Gp.
A.M.G. 4 Corps.
" 13 Corps.
" 5 Army.
" 8 Army.
Regional Commissioner LIGURIA Region.
" PIEMONTE "

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Regional Commissioner	LIGURIA	Region.
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Commerce Sub Comm.
 Roads Div. - Transportation S.C.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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19-15

Originator's Reference: CAS/596
Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 071715
Message Centre No: E/4045
Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 072115
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: 15th ARMY GROUP
TO: AFHQ PET SECTION (NE ITALY) FOR LONDON (HQ 210 SUB AREA) INFO ALCOM FOR TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION

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1. Information at hand that CIP refusing to deliver Diesel in lieu gas BOLOGNA pipehead to EMILIA Region.
2. EMILIA needs allocation lub oils for Methane operated trucks.
3. Can you straighten out these items.
4. For ALCOM this refers conversation TAYLOR and HARRIS.

Phone 14 June.

Supply of Camelia. Now agreed with all Diesel a 5% of lub. which would be sufficient for DIST Methane Vehicles.

200 tons Diesel arrived INFO
FAENZA R-Head - No lub. INFO
INFO-ACTION TN SC2
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ECON SEC
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Spoke to Col. King (AFHQ PetSec - 18131). He promised to follow up.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
ECONOMIC & SUPPLY DIVISION
APO 394

TN. S/c
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Ref : RIX/ES/1/81

1 Jun 45

Subject : Allocation of P.O.L. to Emilia Region

To : Transportation Sub-Commission,
HQ Allied Commission.

1. Your 19/11/Tn/3 of 29 May 45 refers.

2. Regarding questions in para 4, the following report is submitted:-

- A. Emilia Region was unaware that 10,000 tons had been allocated. It had certainly not been delivered.
- B. Emilia Region was not functioning as a Region and was dependent for its P.O.L. supplies during May upon AMG 5th Army who were unable to move them forward.
- C. Emilia Region was not aware until Tuesday 15 May that any supplies were available locally. On that date authority was received from AMG 5th Army to draw 1,000 gallons every other day from the Bologna pipehead. 500 gallons per day represents approximately 25% of the needs of Bologna Province alone.
- D. It is confirmed that supplies of P.O.L. are now adequate, an arrangement having been made with Major Peterson of Pet. Sec to draw 2,000 gallons daily from the pipehead, and further quantities said to be held by S & T between Ancona and Rimini.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

HEADQUARTERS
ECONOMIC & SUPPLY DIVISION
A. C.

D.A.W. Ruck

D.A.W. RUCK, Lt. Col., S.A.I.C.,
Regional Economics & Supply Officer.

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AFHQ PETROLEUM SECTION
ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
Tel:- ROME 478875

PET 30/E/9
28 May 45

SUBJECT: Allocation of POL.

HQ. A.C., Transportation Sub-Commission,
APO 394.

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Reference your 19/10/Tn 3 dated 26 May 45.

1. It would appear that there is some misunderstanding still in regard to the POL situation in Northeast Italy. It is, therefore, again pointed out that the POL allocation has not been drawn. Quantities of POL far in excess of requirements have been released for Civil use from Army petrol dumps in Ancona. Quantities of M.T. Petrol have been made available in the town of Bologna itself for some time. The difficulty appears to be purely one of shortage of transport to collect the POL from the Army dumps.

H. B. Miles
H. B. MILES
Colonel
Petroleum Section

Copy to: HQ. A.C., Commerce Sub-Commission,
APO 394.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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Phone 489081

19/11/Tn 3

29 MAY 1945

SUBJECT: Allocation of POL to Emilia Region
TO : Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region

1. Reference comparison Bowen/Sieff of 24 May and this Headquarters' signal 8993 dated 24 May and 15th Army Group's signal in reply, CAS/551 dated 25 May.

2. AFHQ Pet Sec informed this Headquarters that 10,000 tons of POL was allocated to Emilia Region. Therefore, there could be no question of an inadequate allocation of POL being responsible for the non-movement of essential food stuffs into Bologna.

3. It is understood that there was difficulty in moving this POL forward, but AFHQ Pet Sec state that there was POL available in the Bologna area for several days before this Sub-Commission learned that trucks were not moving because POL was alleged to be non-available.

4. You are requested to investigate this position and to confirm to this Headquarters that supplies of POL are now adequate, and to inform this Headquarters whether Emilia Region was aware that 10,000 tons had been allocated and that certain quantities were available in the Bologna area.

By command of Rear Admiral STENZ:

M. J. SIEFF, Colonel

cc: Regional Transportation Officer,
Emilia Region
Economic Section
Pet Sec, AFHQ, Hqs., MAC

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APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

MJS/eh
Phone 499081

19/10/TN3
~~20/11/TN-5~~

26 May 1945

SUBJECT: Allocation of POL

TO : Petroleum Section, AMHC, Advances

1. Reference 15th Army Group's signal GAS/551 dated 25 May 1945.
2. Attached is a copy of AC's signal 8393 dated 24 May to which the 15th Army Group signal refers. This is passed to you for information.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MJS.

M. J. GIBBY, Colonel
Chief, Movements Division

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Cy Sig. 8393

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: CAS/551
Date/Time of Origin: MAY 251430

Message Centre No: E/2322
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 251700
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: 15TH ARMY GROUP
TO : ALCOM FOR TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION, INFO: FIFTH ARMY FOR TOSCANNI, EMILIA REGION, PET SECTION AFHQ RAAC

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1. Reference your 8393. *Follow*
2. Pet Section advises 84000 gallons available pipehead

BOLOGNA.

3. EMILIA Region advised by phone to collect.

ACTION

DISTRIBUTION

Action: TN S/C 2 *1 Keon Div*
 Info: A/President
 Chief Commissioner
 Econ Sec
 Food 2
 Labor
 File 2
 Float

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HEADQUARTERS
 25 MAY 45
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TO ARMY GROUP FIVE ARMY (ACTION) AND SHILLI REGION (PHE)
(INFO)

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4 MAY 45

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

IT IS REPORTED THAT THERE IS SHORTAGE OF CERTAIN IMPORTANT
 FOODSTUFFS IN BOLOGNA WHICH IS CAUSING SERIOUS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND
 LIKELY TO LEAD TO LARGER PROBLEMS TO LARGELY INCREASING HIGHER PRICES
 AND MORE FOODSTUFFS ONLY AVAILABLE BLACK MARKET TO
THE ARMY GROUP FIVE ARMY FOR SUPPLY TO AND SHILLI
REGION TO SEND TO INFO FROM THE BLOOM CITY LEFT PART
 PART TWO TO LARGER BLOCKS OF THESE FOODSTUFFS ARE AVAILABLE IN SHILLI
 REGION OUTSIDE BOLOGNA IF THERE IS SUFFICIENT CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE TO
 BRING THESE FOODSTUFFS TO BOLOGNA TO
 THE ARMY TO FOODSTUFFS NOT MOVING THROUGH ARMY FOR ALLOCATION FOR
 CIVILIAN USE I IMMEDIATELY AND CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE ARE BEING USED TO
 BRING ALLOCATION IS REVISED IMMEDIATELY TO

DEPT OF ECONOMIC REGION (FOR MR. ANTONI)
 DEPT OF
 BOARD OF
 ADVISORY
 BOARD OF
 BOARD OF CONTROL SERVICE

TRANSPORTATION

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 NICHOLAS FIGUEROA
 CPO. U.S.A.
 Asst. Adjutant

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

Tel. 566 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION GSF/ep
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: AC/12/9/Tn5 13 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Petrol Allocation.

TO : Movements Division -- Roads Branch.

1. Reference your AC/19/5/Tn3 dated 9 April 1945. The Italian Ministry of Commerce have been asked to confirm in writing the fact that the petrol which was allocated from fishing schooners for road transport will not revert to fishing schooner trade. Immediately upon receipt of this confirmation you will be notified.

2. The statement of shortage of 100 tons petrol of March allocation to truck pools should have read 100 quintals. This matter has now been adjusted.

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

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

HJM/bm

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9 April 1944

AC/19/5/TN.3

SUBJECT : Petrol Allocation

TO : Roads Division.

1. Appendix "B" of Capt. Ainsworth's Report dated 1st April 1945 does not agree with the statement that the petrol allocation of the Truck Pools now operating in the Naples Area was out by 100 tons in March.
2. May the matter be cleared up please?
3. Can you now say, please, whether the petrol allocation for fishing schooners, which has been made available for road transport during the winter months, will revert to the operation of fishing schooners?


 C.N. CHRISTENSEN,
 Lt. Col.
 Movements Division,
 Roads Branch.

ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P.O.L.

FILE No.

TO : Chief Mod DIV

2 April 1945

1. Out of 100 Tons for March Naples Area. Spoke May Bowers. He agrees cut was made. He took no action. Road DIV confirm they were NOT informed.
 2. April allotment. May Bowers NOT yet notified of allotment.
 3. Allotment is fixed by IT. MINISTRY of COMM., INDUSTRY & LABOUR and notified to Bowers by C.I.P. Notification generally received on 15 of month.
 4. FISHING POL during Winter to Road.
 5. ROAD DIV. (Lt Col FERRYHOUGH) writing Bowers (copy to us) to notify them of any reduction in allotment and any action taken re 1, 2 & 3. Ref will get report from Bowers 1903
- COPY TO ROAD DIVISION.
- [Signature]
ROAD BRANCH.

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11 Jan. 1945

Memo : Col. Thomas

Subjt: POL distribution in Italian Government
mainland territory.

Division of Government Territory for POL Allocation.

1. Government territory is divided into two parts in so far as Provincial Sub-Allocations of POL to private cars, taxis, load-haulage and public utility vehicles etc are concerned: viz
 - a) Southern Italy, all east of LIGNO on attached map;
 - b) the remainder of Government territory, i.e. between lines CD and AB on the map.

Requests for POL.

2. POL requirements are coordinated on Provincial Hq. level monthly on the form shown at Appendix "A".
3. This form is prepared by the Provincial Chamber of Commerce, and in Southern Italy forwarded direct to Pet. Sec. Commerce Sub-Commission, Hq. A.C. and elsewhere forwarded through the A.C. Provincial Supply Officer.
There is an exception to this in the case of Rome Province, where an officer in the Transportation of Lazio Umbria Region, handles all POL allocations.
4. This distribution is made because, in the opinion of Pet. Sec. AFHC, and Commerce Sub-Commission, the Provincial Chambers are not qualified to assess requirements without Allied supervision.

Distribution of POL

5. When all forms have been received at Hq. A.C., they are forwarded to Pet. Sec. AFHC, who decides on Provincial allocations, notifies Provinces, and Compagnia Italiani Petroli (CIT) who make physical distribution.
6. POL coupons to the value of the allocation, are released to Provincial Chambers of Commerce, who distribute the monthly entitlement to car or truck.

so far as Provincial Sub-allocations of PDI to private cars, taxis, load-haulage and public utility vehicles etc are concerned: viz

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6. PDI coupons to the value of the allocation, are released to Provincial Chambers of Commerce, who distribute the monthly entitlement to car or truck owners.

7. In Southern Italy, Chambers of Commerce are permitted to make mutual arrangements for handing over surplus coupons to needy Provinces, should such surpluses occur.

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General Note in Connection with ERAC POL Policy.

8. In certain Southern Provinces it was found that truckers would destroy a proportion of their monthly coupon issue, operate on Black Market petrol, and produce the coupon book stub as an explanation of how they obtained supplies. Black Market petrol is alleged to be in plentiful supply.

9. Whenever possible, ERAC proposes to issue only sufficient coupons to cover each assignment and not issue on a monthly basis. Actual consumption must be recorded in each vehicle log book, and subsequent issue will take into account any balance of fuel in the tank. False entries will be betrayed by unnatural consumption figures. This method should, to some extent, combat the abuse mentioned in para 7.

10. From the foregoing, it will be appreciated that ERAC Provincial Directories have as rely to make mutually satisfactory arrangements with Provincial Chambers of Commerce for the handling of the allocation of coupons for load-haulage services.

W. S. JEWELL,
Major

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W. J. SEWELL,
Major

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