

movement of Refugees Policy

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 376
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : 474704

12 October 1945

297/104/In 3

SUBJECT : Baggage restrictions - Refugee trains

TO : Ministry of Transports
Commercial and Traffic Service

1. Reference your 5.243.13648.49 dated 9 October 1945.
2. It has been agreed with the Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-bellica that the amount of baggage carried on refugee trains must not exceed 40 kilograms per *adult* refugee.
3. Exception is made in the case of displaced Italians now residing in Milan area. In such cases 85 kilograms of strictly personal and domestic baggage is allowed per adult person.

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For the Director


V.F. LONSTABLE,
Major R.E.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 304
Transportation Sub-Commission

17 October 1945

Tel: 474704

247/104/Tn 3

SUBJECT: Baggage restrictions - Refugee trains

TO: Ministry of Transport
Commercial and Traffic Service

Reference your 6.241.11648.49 dated 9 October 1945.

1.

2.

It has been agreed with the Ministero dell'Assistenza
Post-Bellica that the amount of baggage carried on
refugee trains must not exceed 20 kilograms per *adult*
refugee.

3.

Exception is made in the case of displaced Italians
now residing in Milan area. In such cases 35
kilograms of strictly personal and domestic
baggage is allowed per adult person.

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For the Director


G.F. CONSTABLE,
Major R.S.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel : 478704

12 Ottobre 1945

297/104/Tn 3

OGGETTO : Restrizioni sui trasporti bagagli profughi

AL : Ministero dei Trasporti
Servizio Commerciale e del Traffico

1. In riferimento alla vostra 6.233.13648.49 in data 9 Ottobre 1945.
2. Si è raggiunto l'accordo con il Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-bellica che il quantitativo di bagaglio trasportato su treni per sfollati non deve superare 40 kilogrammi per sfollato *e adulto*.
3. Si fa eccezione in caso sfollati Italiani ora residenti nella zona di Milano. In tali casi è permesso il trasporto fino a 85 kilogrammi di bagaglio *79* strettamente personale e domestico per ogni sfollato e adulto.

D'ordine del Direttore

C.F. CONSTABLE,
Major R.E.

TRANSLATION

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MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTS
COMMERCIAL AND TRAFFIC SERVICE.

Rome, 9 October 1945

Ref.: 6.213.13640.49

SUBJECT: Refugees' baggage Movement.

TO : In. Sub-Commission A.C.,
Rail Division.

Bldg.

The "Ministry for post-war Assistance with phonogram
n°2/190.11 dated 1 Oct. 1945 informs:

"Following agreements with Allied Authorities it is
understood that for south-bound refugees in departure from
Milan, transportation of 60 Kg., of baggage free of charge
be ensured. Please take necessary steps and advise us.

As I.S.R. Administration has no informations about
the above agreement, please will you furnish some.

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Director General
Di Raimondo

Tr/al/9/10/45.



MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI
FERROVIE DELLO STATO - DIREZIONE GENERALE

SERVIZIO COMMERCIALE E DEL TRAFFICO

Roma, 11

9 OTT 1945

N. C. 213.13648.49

Al N.

del

OGGETTO: ~~Trasporti bagagli profughi~~

SOTTOCOMMISSIONE TRASPORTI A.C.
(Divisione Trasporti)

SEDE

Il Ministero dell'Assistenza Post-bellica con fonogramma n. 27190.II del 1° corrente comunica quanto segue:

" Seguito accordo con autorità alleate è stabilito che per profughi da Milano diretti Sud sia autorizzato trasporto gratuito bagaglio fino a 80 Kg. Pregasi provvedere favorendo assicurazione. "

Poichè questa Amministrazione ignora la portata dell'accordo, pregasi codesta Sottocommissione di favorire qualche notizia al riguardo.-

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Udo Ramond

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ALCON MILAN FOR FISKE (ACTION) AND LOMBARDIA (INFO)

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24 SEPT 1949

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT DOG PETER SUGAR LIVING IN MILAN AREA PD
PARA TWO PD PARA TWO ALCON MILAN FOR FISKE FOR HARRIS FOR ACTION TO AND LOMBARDIA
FOR DOG PETER CHARLIE FOR INFO FROM PD ALCON GITE ACCTE PAREN

REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL NINE NIGHT SIX DATED ONE EIGHT SEPTEMBER PD
PARA TWO PD AGREE THAT BAGGAGE WEIGHT MAY BE INCREASED WHERE
NECESSARY BUT MUST BE STRICTLY PERSONAL AND DOMESTIC PROPERTY NOT
EXCEEDING EIGHT FIVE KILO EACH ADULT PERSON PD

PARA THREE PD REQUEST DOG PETER SUGAR CHARLIE ENSURE THIS
CONCESSION NOT ABUSED AND REQUIREMENTS NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE FOR NECESSARY
WAGONS PD

PARA FOUR PD AGREE THESE MOVEMENTS AS REQUESTED IN YOUR SIGNAL PD

COPY TO : DPRSC (FOR ACTION)

RAIL DIVISION (FOR INFO)

TRANSPORTATION HQ

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NICHOLAS PICCINO
CWO U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

9, 25/9.

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ALCON MILAN FOR FIVE FOR HARRIS (ACTION)

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PARA ONE TO ADVISE YOUR SIGNAL NINE SEVEN SEVEN DATED ONE SEVEN SEPTEMBER 45
WASH TO ALCON MILAN FOR FIVE FOR HARRIS FOR ACTION FROM NO ALCON CITE ADULT WHEN
TAKE NO ACTION AT PRESENT IN

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folio 90 refers.

TRANSPORTATION SC

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NICHOLAS PICCOLINO
CWO U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: *ATP/S/12A*
Date/Time of Origin: *SEP 190915A*

Message Centre No: *F/8201*
Date Time Rec'd: *SEP 191200A*
Precedence: *IMPORTANT*

FROM *SENIOR TPTN OFFICER ANCONA*
TO *HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT FOR MOV AND RAIL DIVS*

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1. Subject is railmoves of refugees.
2. For information: 3. *PALOMBINA* refugee camp now closed. Commitments taken over by new camp established *SENIGALLIA*.
4. Consequently any refugees destined for *ROME* etc and travelling on northbound trains should be scheduled to detrain at *SENIGALLIA* for onward transmission and not as hitherto at *ANCONA* or *PALOMBINA*.
5. Likewise any southbound refugees requiring transmit accomodation should be routed to detrain *SENIGALLIA*.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 986
Date/Time of Origin: SEP 181630A

Message Centre No: F/8295
Date Time Rec'd: SEP 200930A
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ACTPT MILAN FOR FISKE SIGNED HARRIS
TO: HQ AICOM CITE ACTPT INFO RTO BOLOGNA INFO DFR LOMBARDIA

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Reference your 5347 dated 14 September.

Train MILAN BOLOGNA 20th cancelled no bodies. Train 22nd will carry 1000 displaced persons now living in MILAN AREA. Train will consist of 35 wagons 25 for displaced persons and 10 for their baggage as these refugees have more baggage than those coming from GERMANY. Average baggage for person 85 kili. There are approx 50000 of these refugees in LOMBARDIA and therefore propose sending these down on our train allocation when none from GERMANY are available. Do you agree.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 1038
Date/Time of Origin: SEP 190940A

Message Centre No: T/8279
Date Time Rec'd: SEP 200900A
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM ACTIT MILAN FOR FISKEI SIGNED HARRIS
TO : ALCON CITE ACTIT ROM

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Re trains DOMODOSSOLA NOVARA.

Have been informed by MLO BETUNE that we can expect 4 or 5 trains weekly on this route commencing 24. Each carrying 10 hundred. Expected that same will continue weekly for 6 to 7 weeks.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 977
Date/Time of Origin: SEP 171530A

Message Centre No: F/7988
Date Time Rec'd: SEP 172100A
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM ACTPT MILAN SIGNED HARRIS FOR FISKE
TO : HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT

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Request received from BERNE asking for authorization to transport 5000 Yugoslavs from ANNEMASSE through SWITZERLAND and ITALY to YUGOSLAVIA. Please confirm they can be accepted in ITALY for onward routing. If not what route are they to take.

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TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

18 September 1945

Tel : 47,704

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SUBJECT : Movement of Italian ex P.O. arriving
at Italian ports from U.S.A., North Africa, etc.

TO : Italian E.W. Sub-Commission

1. Large numbers of Italian ex P.O. are expected to arrive at Italian ports from countries outside Italy.

2. It is understood that movement from ports of disembarkation to camps are a military responsibility, and from camps for ultimate dispersal will be an A.M. (MIA) responsibility.

3. In view of the large numbers expected, it is hoped that these responsibilities will be clearly understood.

For the Director


J. F. JAGER,
Major R. I.

Copy to : G-4 (Dev & In) AFHQ - conversation Lt. Col. Jager -
ad. Northampton refers.

...
Operations Division (Shipping)

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July 20, 1994

Time = 90.57

Rev. C. W. C. C.

Chen, D., & B. B. B. B.

1945年 11月 20日

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: (ACTPT MILAN) 338
 Date/Time of Origin: SEP 060900B

Message Centre No: R/6726
 Date Time Rec'd: SEP 062000B
 Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ACTPT MILAN SIGNED HARRIS FOR FISKE
 TO: ALCON CITE ACTPT ROME

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1. Refugee trains BOLOGNA and south 6th and 7th September.

Our conversation the AM 5th. MR3 MILAN have no objection our dispatching these trains via ALESSANDRIA PIACENZA. ISK are quite happy to do so. Re future refugee trains BOLOGNA and south. As 1600 departure MILAN via VERONA is unsatisfactory due to lack of bus transport from camp to MILAN station and as we have no bus to be dropped off on the VERONA line as we can arrange adequate tram arrangements or road transport camp to MILAN station. 0940 hrs departure and as we have routes for MODENA and PIACENZA. Propose future trains from MILAN to BOLOGNA and south proceed via ALESSANDRIA and PIACENZA and leave MILAN at 0940 hrs. 0940 hrs train arrives BOLOGNA about midnight on day it leaves MILAN.

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AFHQ FOR FHOEG AND FHOEM

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6 September 1945

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PARA ONE PD IN VIEW PRESS RELEASE IN PARIS OF STATEMENT THAT THREE
FIVE THOUSAND ITALIANS FROM SERVICE UNITS BEING REPATRIATED FROM FRANCE
PAREN TO AFHQ FOR FHOEG AND FHOEM FROM ALCON CITE ACTION PAREN
REQUEST CONFIRMATION THAT CORRECT FIGURE IS TWELVE THOUSAND AS STATED IN
PHONE CONVERSATION BATTY AND BROODBARK PD 2460
PARA TWO PD ALSO PLEASE CONFIRM THAT OLD SUB PARA ABLE PD MAXIMUM WEEKLY
LIFT WILL BE THREE THOUSAND PD SUB PARA BAKER PD MAXIMUM DAILY ARRIVAL
WILL BE SEVEN HUNDRED PD SUB PARA CHARLIE PD DISEMBARKATION LEHIGH WILL
BE AVOIDED AS FAR AS BACKLOADS COMMITMENTS PERMIT PD
PARA THREE PD PLEASE STATE WHETHER LAND TRANSPORTATION LEHIGH TO
FLORENCE WILL BE MILITARY OR ALCON COMMITMENT PD

IPOW Division

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J. E. Legier

NICHOLAS FIORELLINO
CWO, USA
Asst. Adjutant

Subject: Meal Halts - Refugees

2 copies per favore
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Allied Force Headquarters
G-4 (Mov & Tn)
Tel: Freedom 320

Mov 3/312/3

To : Movements North Italy
Movements Ancona
Movements Bari
Movements Rome
Movements Naples
Movements Taranto

1 Sep 45

Copy to: Movements Rear HQ BTA
Movements XIII Corps
HQ Allied Commission - Tn Sub Commission —

1. For your information, the following is a list of stations at which Allied Commission have installed facilities for the feeding of refugees:

BARI
FOLIGNO
FURLI
GROSSETO
JESI
LIGETO
OFTE
PESCARA
ROME
S. MARINELLA
S. SEVERO

2. Two days rations are also placed on board all refugee trains, under Allied Commission arrangements.
3. Civilian refugees will not be fed at British military feeding halts unless specifically ordered by this HQ.

Copy sent to DRRSC
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R. M. Marshall
R. M. MARSHALL, Captain
for Brigadier,
DQMG (Mov & Tn).

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 300845H

Message Centre No: F/5944

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 310830H

Precedence: OP PRIORITY

FROM: ALC VERONA

TO: ALCOR ROME, ALCOR MILAN, ALCOR VENEZIA, 13 COTES, ALCOR BOLOGNA, 9-5 5TH ARMY,
MOVEMENT VERONA (BY REND)

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Following trains now set up for movement of refugees from VERONA.

1. Daily at 1800 hrs commencing 28 August 1 train 40 box cars dep PESCANTINA for MILAN will stop at BRESCIA.
2. Commencing 29 August and thereafter alternate days 1 train 25 box cars dep PESCANTINA for UDINE stopping only PADUA and TRIVISO. This program subject to alteration when road transport again available. Agreed D.P.S.C.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

File
3 September 1945

Tel : 478704

297/76/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Passenger Warrants - Refugees and
Displaced Persons

TO : Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission

- John F. ...*
1. The attached Military Railway Warrants (AB 494A) issued by the Military authorities in respect of movement of refugees are forwarded.
 2. Will you please confirm that the charges which will be raised on these movements will be the responsibility of the Italian or other interested Governments.

For the Director

CR
C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.E.

INTER - OFFICE MEMO

CSW/lp

To : - Movements Division. (att. Major Worthington)
From : - Accounts Branch.
SUBJECT : - Passenger Warrants - Refugees and Displaced Persons.

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30th August 1945

38/A/Tn.1.

1. We enclose No.3. copies of A.B. 494 A. issued in respect of miscellaneous refugees and displaced persons.

2. In order that the question of charges may be settled as between the I.S.R., M.R.S. and ourselves, we should be obliged if you would take up this matter at your forthcoming conference with R. & D.P.S./C..

For the Director,


(C.S. WYATT) Major R.A.
Accountant

Copy to : - Military Railway Service C.M.F. (attn. Major Davis)
Rail Division (" " Ping)

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D.P.R.
Financial Office

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

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DPR/17/G-II (II)

Tel. 489081 Ext. 594

28 August 1945

SUBJECT : Control of Movement of Displaced Persons.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.

✓ 6/29/8

1. Reference your 287/53/Tn 3 of 23 August 1945, relative subject matter.

2. We beg to inform you that this Sub-Commission is in complete agreement with the contents of paragraph 4 of your a/m letter.

For the Director.

James F. Ellman
C.A. OLIVER
Lt. Colonel, Capt.
G-1 Italian.
for

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REPATRIATION AND DISPOSAL OF PRISONERS OF
WAR, SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED
PERSONS, ETC.

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CONFERENCE BETWEEN AFHQ/USFET (CDPI)
JOINT COMMITTEE

Friday, 17 August, 1945 at 1000
hrs.

1. Movement across Brenner route.
2. Movement across Bregenz route.
3. Movement through Annemasse.
4. Coordination of movement of hospital trains.
5. Movement of Italians from Soviet Zone.
6. Movement of Jews in general.
7. Repatriation of Romanians on Roumanian sponsored trains.
8. Movement of Spaniards.
9. Austrians from 21 Army Group to all Zones in Austria.
10. Italians now in Norway.
11. Austrians now in Norway.
12. Germans in Austria to be repatriated to all Zones in Germany.
13. Austrians in France to be repatriated to all Zones in Austria.
14. German Diplomats from Italy and Vatican City.
15. Albanians in USFET Theatre to be repatriated via Italy.
16. Numbers of Germans remaining in Italy.
17. Other business.

Major Worthington
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REPORT ON

CONFERENCE BETWEEN AFPC/USFET (CDPE) JOINT COMMITTEE AT PARIS,
17th AUGUST 1945.

The numbering of paragraphs corresponds to the items shown
in the Agenda (attached).

1. It was stated that movement was taking place at the rate of 4500. per day, based on a seven day week and that there was no likelihood of any immediate expansion of transportation facilities. The point was raised that this movement might slow down owing to deterioration of weather in the Brenner Pass during September and the difficulty of providing coaches. Box-cars will be impracticable owing to the intense cold.

2. Movements taken place at the rate of approximately 2500 per day based on a 5-day week, and is proceeding satisfactory. So far as future numbers are concerned, the position on the 11th August was as follows: -

(1) Italians from Germany and Austria: -

122,800	21 Army Group (in camps)	160,500
7,200	French Zone ("	1,152..
7,400	3 U.S. Army ("	800
3,400	7 U.S. Army ("	600,000
<u>150,800</u>	Total in camps.	1,152,000

(ii) Italians from Norway 1,152 (see para 10)

(iii) Italians from Denmark 800.

(iv) Italians in Labour Battalions in Russia 50,000.

No firm date could be given as to when this people would be ready, but it was not anticipated that it would be before 1st November. In any case, it is understood that the French Authorities have not committed themselves as to the date of release.

(v) Italians in the Soviet Area North of Czechoslovakia.

Approximately 60,000.

(vi) Italians in the Soviet Area of Austria.

Approximately 15,000.

As a general estimate:

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- (vi) Italians in the Soviet Area of Austria.
Approximately 15,000.

As a general principle, it was stated that the 3rd U.S. Army does not wish to accept Italians from the Russian Zone unless the Russians take Hungarians in exchange.

3. Displaced Persons and Repatriation S/C agreed to take 2,000 through Annemasse. It was pointed out that no increase in transportation facilities could be expected and that all such people would have to wait in camps.

4. Although experience is limited at the moment, this is working well. The recent washout in the Brenner caused delay in the programme and it was agreed that all interested parties should watch this movement very carefully and report on it at the next conference.

5. See para 2 (v) and (iv) above.

6. Jews are not being sub-divided down in terms of nationalities. It was pointed out that at present time no further Jews could be accepted in Italy, unless they were passing through a route for another country.

7. The Rumanian authorities have offered the use of a "touring train" which it is intended should make a round tour of Europe and pick up all Rumanians. So far no firm action has been taken on this offer. The matter is being pursued and further details obtained.

8. It was urged that the movement of Spaniards be expedited as, although the numbers are small (59 at present), but this may be increased to about 100 by a further party expected from N. Africa) their "nuisance value" is rather a problem.

9. In so far as this question affects us, it was stated that as at August 11th the position was as follows: -

Austrians for Austria: -

ex N. Italy 12,256
" S. " 10,100
HTOUSA Area 3,000

10. See para 2 (ii) above. So far as is known these 1132, were fighting for the Germans. The Italian Government must say whether they will accept these people. We cannot repatriate them and turn them loose, as the Italian Government will probably imprison them.

11. Not this Theatre.
12. "
13. "

14. No tangible information was available. The matter is being pursued.

15. The numbers concerned are very small, being something under 100. Before any movement is made, however, it is essential that a clearance be obtained from the Albanian Govt. that they will accept these people.

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Difficulty was encountered with the last lot of Albanian repatriates: The Albanian Govt. refused to accept them and the ship was obliged to turn back.

16. It was considered that approximately 250,000 Germans of all types remain to be moved. (M.E. This should be discussed with DP.A.P. S/C)

17. As regards the return of Poles to Poland ex Italy, it is understood that the Russians have refused to accept Poles in Poland until all Russians are repatriated. It is expected that this will be completed by 1st September at which date the Poles might commence to move.

Approximately 12,600. Poles have agreed to go back to Poland under Russian control; these Poles have been segregated from the main body. Next Conference. Suggestions were made for

- (a) Lake Garda.
- (b) Oalo.

All concerned would be notified in due course by A.F.H.C..

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES
 AND
 Transportation Sub-Commission

FILE

28 August 1945

Tel : 478303

237/74/Tn)

SUBJECT : movement of civilians by Rail

TO : G-4 (Mov. & Tn)
 A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference your 309 3/108/Y dated 22 August '45 enclosing copy of letter from CG Troops, PESCOARA.

2. This matter has been taken up with Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission and they state the case cited is already the subject of investigation. They are taking this question up very strongly with all concerned and they hope to eliminate the possibility of a re-occurrence.

3. For your information a list showing all organized meal halts is enclosed. In addition to these halts two days contingency rations are put on all trains carrying refugees and, therefore, it should never be necessary to apply to the military for rations.

4. Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission state the feeding arrangements at PESCOARA have been far from satisfactory in the past, but steps have been taken to remedy this. It is worthy of note that feeding is effected through Italian channels, and they take exception to supplying rations to anyone other than their own nationals.

However, the supply of rations to all refugees is still their responsibility, but it is found that better results are obtained when the nationality of refugees, other than Italians, is omitted when advising the feeding staff at the Stations.

9. With regard to Para 2 of CC Troops Pescara letter it will be seen from the enclosed list that food could have been obtained from correct sources at S. Severo, and therefore it was not necessary to arrange a meal halt at Barletta. Train conducting staff are invariably informed of meal halts prior to departure of trains.

For the Chief Commissioner


C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.E.

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Copy to : Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission
Mail Division (Tn 4)

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RAIL HALTS

TRAINS	FROM	VIA	TO	WOOD HALTS
3	MILANO	LEGHORN	ROME AND SOUTH	GROSSETO-S. MARINELLA-ROME
7	VERONA	FALCONARA	ROME AND SOUTH	FORLI-JESI-POLIGNO-ORTE-ROME
3	BOLOGNA	FALCONARA	ROME AND SOUTH	JESI-POLIGNO-ORTE-ROME
4	BOLOGNA	EAST COAST	BARI	LORREO-PESCARA-S. SEVERO-BARI
1	FLORENCE	LAZCA	ROME AND SOUTH	GROSSETO-S. MARINELLA-ROME

2448

Subject: Movement of
Civilians by rail

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

Mov 3/312/3

To : HQ Allied Commission 22 Aug 45
Tn Sub Commission.

Copy to: Q(Maint)

1. Attached hereto is copy of OC Troops PESCARA letter D/2/45 dated 6 Aug 45 in regard to the movement of 1500 civilians from BRESCIA to BARI, which is self explanatory.
2. Kindly ensure that trains conveying displaced persons are adequately rationed for the journey. Such personnel can not be fed at British Military feeding halts and any feeding arrangements en route must be made by your HQ.


F.L. JAGGER, Lt. Col.
for Brigadier,
DQMG (Mov & Tn).

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4/3.

C O P Y

SUBJECT: Movement, Civilians, Rail

D.2/45
6 Aug 45

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1. At about 13.00 hrs 6 Aug, there came into the station at PESCARA a train bearing some 1,500 civilians who were apparently being sent back to their homes. The papers relating to the train showed that it was organised by the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission: the refugees were Greek nationals and the Officer i/c train was Gp. Leader Colonel RIGAS BASILE. Documents showed that the train was from BRESCIA to BARI: they were signed by a Major CAP WINNER.

2. The Colonel requested that the train be fed with Army rations, presumably from the feeding point. This I was unable to authorise but I spoke to Movements POGGIA who said that they would try and contact AC NAPLES with a view to some food being had ready at BARLETTA.

3. The Interpreter Officer of the train said that the train had started from PESCARA at 07.45 hrs without any food being placed on it. R.T.O. BOLOGNA gave some 500 Army Rations and said that the train would be fed further down the line.

4. No notice was received at PESCARA of the arrival of this train. It would appear that the feeding of such trains is an AC responsibility.

5. Local Italian Authorities afforded this train 580 rations but that was not enough.

6. May representations be made to the right quarters please to ensure that if such trains are to halt at PESCARA, then (a) reasonable notice of the trains be given and (b) AC arranges for the feeding.

7. This is the second time that this has occurred.

Field
JG/GC

(Signed) J. GRANT, Major, R.A.
O.C. Troops PESCARA.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

File

Tel : 478704

25 August 1945

27/69/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Discreet use of Box Vans

TO : Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission
G- Italian

*Info 68
refus*

1. Reference your memo DPA/1/G-II(II) dated 25 August '45 enclosing copy of letter from Mr. Perry, UNRRA Representative.

2. The difficulties enumerated by Mr. Perry are fully appreciated and, in the circumstances, it is agreed that movement of up to 80 persons (2 box wagons) can be effected to destinations Naples and Ortona, and points South thereof, by arrangements of AG Transportation Representative Bari and UNRRA, without reference to this HQ. *2645*

For the Director

R. H. Worthington
R. H. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.A.C.

Copy to : Senior Transportation Officer, AG Bari
UNRRA Representative
Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica, P.Nicomia

ALLIED ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

68

SUBJECT: Discreet use of Box Cars.

FILE No. LFR/1/G-II (IT)

TO : Transportation Sub Commission

26 August 1945

1. Herewith copy of a memo received from Mr. Terry, UNRRA Representative with the Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica.
2. We shall be glad to know the substance of a reply to give him in answer to the point he raises.

For the Director,

W288
[Signature]
C.A. OLIVER
Lt. Colonel
G-1 Italian *2/4/45*

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COPY

ALTO COMMISSARIATO PER I PROFUGHI DI GUERRA

21 August 1945

Oggetto : Discreet use of Box Cars
TO : Col. Oliver, D.P. & R.S.C. A.C.
FROM : Douglas Terry, UNRA Liaison Officer.

1. On several occasions in the past, I have raised, on behalf of our Repatriation Officers in Southern Italy, the question of the use of Box Cars in transporting small numbers of Refugees. This problem has been brought to my urgent attention once again this morning by Mr Holder in Bari, who would like me to communicate the following points to you for information and, if possible, immediate action by Transportation S.C.

2. Where for example, 100 refugees have to be transferred from, let us say, Taranto to Naples, it is clearly not worth bidding for a special train. In any case, so small a train would not be granted. The alternative are :

(a) To wait until a sufficiently large number of refugees are available to make up a sizable train. This is not always possible, and very greatly complicates the work of our men.

(b) To put such small numbers of refugees on ordinary trains. Though logically, a solution, this does not take into account the refugees' large quantity of luggage, and their consequent refusal to travel. As we cannot compel them, repatriation ceases.

3. Mr Holder asks whether it would not be possible to attach Box Cars to other trains, at the discretion of the local A.C. Officer, and adds that it is his opinion that a rigid system of tickets, and adequate pickets should combine to stamp out the abuses of the use of Box Cars which I gather, led to the ruling by Transportation S.C. that Box cars should not be used for this purpose.

4. I would be grateful if you could speak to Transportation S.C. about this most urgent matter. It is no exaggeration to say that the larger part of our UNRA Repatriation Officers' work will come to a standstill if this ruling can not be modified as suggested.

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UNRA LIAISON OFFICER Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica P.Nicosia I.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

27 August 1945

Tel : 478303

297/68/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Movement of Ex Prisoners of War

TO : Rail Division (Tn 4)

Folio 672/68

1. Reference your AC/53/Tn 4 dated 25 Aug '45.
2. The movement of ex prisoners of war is controlled through Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission and is, therefore, an AC responsibility.

For Chief Movements Division

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C.R. Worthington
C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.E.

ACP/1ml

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A. C.
(Rail Division)
& TRANSPORTATION (BR) MAIN, C. E. F.

25 August 1945

Tel. 845258
Ref. AG/53/Tn4

SUBJECT : Movement of Ex-Prisoners of War.
TO : Movements Division, Rail Section

1. Reference is to your letter 297/52/Tn3 of 23 August 1945. Before this Branch takes any action in respect of the movement of ex-prisoners of war from Germany in open freight cars, will you please say if A. C. is responsible for the movement of such passengers or if it is a military commitment.

2. To the best of our knowledge this is entirely a matter for the military organization, and it is difficult to say exactly what action we can take in the matter.

Arthur May

for Director

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 633
Date/Time of Origin: AUGUST 23/1530H

Message Centre No: F/5273
Date Time Rec'd: AUGUST 25/1615H
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ACTPT MILAN FOR FISKE SIGNED HARRIS
TO : ACTION ALCON ROME

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file 64
Ref my 594. 113 Jews refused to travel in covered wagons today. They will be put on train leaving here 0940 hours tomorrow 24 August. Please arrange forward move from BOLOGNA to BARI to catch boat.

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ACTION : TM SC (2)

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ECCH SEC (2)
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FILE (2)
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594
AUG 211000H

F/4736
AUG 211025H
ROUTINE

ACTPT MILAN FOR WIKER SIGNED HARRIS
ACTPT HOME WITH OFFICER BOLOGNA, IN 5 ARMY

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148 Jews due arrive GOMO today destined for BARI where
understand they must arrive by 26 August. Leaving MILAN for
BOLOGNA 0940 Thursday 23 August. Please arrange onward from
BOLOGNA.

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Action - In 50 2
Info - Chief Commissioner
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*Spoke Bologna & instructed to
arrange forward movement.
Informed by Hartman
23/8 hsh*

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: S-19509
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 241830B

Message Centre No: F/5196
Date Time Rec'd: AUG 251015B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE ETCHS
TO: ACTION AFHQ INFO EXFOR MAIL, ALCOM ROAD, EASTMOVES, WESTMOVES, 5TH ARMY

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Your EX 36137 dated 16 August to EXFOR and EXFOR QM 0715 dated 20.
Embargo was imposed by CDPX jointly with USFET G4 by telephone due to transportation difficulties caused by conflicting information on BRENNER PASS and INN VALLEY routes owing particularly interruption of telephone from us to you. Such interzonal traffic is coordinated here. All concerned duly anxious expedite programmes which resumed entirely on 17th. Agreed CDPX.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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SECRET

Nov Rail

HL/182/MOV
AUG 241200Z

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T/5167
AUG 250830Z
IMMEDIATE

Q(MOV) TOULON

MOV BAS PARIS INFO WAR OFFICE. ALCOM. GATA. MIDEAST FOR MOVEMENTS.
DELTABASE. USEPT. AFHQ CITE PHODN. PRTO MED. MILPAL. PORT COMMANDANT
DIEPPE

SECRET

War Office signal 68775 QM10 of 22 August and telephone conversation of 24 August refers. Shipment of 800 Jews not acceptable this port reason being.

1. ASCANIA not available and NATAROA troopdeck accommodation.
2. BRIDAN to be withdrawn for repairs and not returning MIDEAST. This results in backlog of military personnel.

Agreed STO.

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Tn 50 2
Info - Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec 2
File 2
Fleet

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Julie let report

SECRET

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SECRET

Moore

687756(M)
AUG 221845

F/5058
AUG 241010
ROUTINE

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TROOPERS

BA'S PARIS (FOR MOVEMENTS) INFO CALA DEITABASE MOVEMENTS TOULON, FREEDOM (CITE MIDEM)
MILPIL, ALBOM, MIDEM (FOR MOVEMENTS) USFET POTO MED (FREEDOM PASS) PORT COMPT DIMP

SECRET.

Understand you will arrange movement with (3) AFHQ 800 Jews from TOULON to ALIPA
2/3 September on AS CANIA. Arrivals at TOULON 31 August 1 September 2 September on
MEDLOC A route for MIDEM will allow for this party. Diversion of AS CANIA to ALIPA
requires agreement between AFHQ and POTO MED. Agreed.

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" TN SC 2
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
ECON SEC
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EX 38005

AUGUST 24/1957B

F/5213

AUGUST 25/1957B

PRIORITY

ATTN: SECRET: ALEXANDER CITE FHEM

ACTION: TROOPERS LONDON QMBA INFO: ALCON ROME, 205 GROUP FOCCIA FOR AMOO

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MEDLOC air return lift. / No TRACE

1. Replying your 68684 August 22.
2. Will accept 449 Italian POW draft REARM at 9 September.
3. Agreed RAF CASERTA
4. Confirm your ability arrange

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W/C NOTE:

No trace of quoted reference

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INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
TN SC (2)
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
MILAN OFFICE
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Displaced persons - Movements procedure.

1. Information.

DPS are concentrated in Holding Centres and Camps in Switzerland, France and Germany, the majority are Italians and the remainder other Europeans.

2. Intention.

To move the DPS as above to Italy

- a) Italians into Camps and Dispersal Centres for subsequent disposal to their home towns
- b) others to Camps and Holding Centres for subsequent disposal to other countries.

3. Method.

- a) Moves from outside Italy are originated by USPOV (late SHARP).
- b) Moves within AMN Territory Italy are originated by AG TM Milan.
- c) Moves from N.W. Italy to South of Bologna are originated by this office through HQ AG Rome.

Procedure for a)

Regular trains Via Bruggens to Chiasso run in following timings:

(1)	Buchs	depart 03.25	)	
	Chiasso	arrive 11.04	)	daily except Saturdays and Sundays -
Z	"	depart 15.14	)	
	Buchs	arrive 22.41	)	Coaching stock train
(11)	Buchs	depart 29.18	)	
	Chiasso	arrive 03.57	)	daily except Saturdays and Sundays -
Z	"	depart 07.53	)	
	Buchs	arrive 17.10	)	Box wagon trains.

Z Empty.

The above are Swiss times, Italian times are one hour in advance.

Each train carries about 1100 persons, box wagon trains carry men only.
A local daily train except Sundays and Mondays runs from

Corno at 10.15 hours
due Milan " 11.15 hours.

Advices of the above are not necessary as they are on a regular schedule, but any alterations or cancellations should be phoned to :

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Each train carries about 1100 persons, box wagon trains carry less only.

A local daily train except Sundays and Mondays runs from

Como at 10.15 hours
due Milan " 11.15 hours.

Advices of the above are not necessary as they are on a regular schedule, but any alterations or cancellations should be phoned to :-

Major Black - Mer. NW Italy -	phone 12241 - 8 Ext. 161
Major Hirtzel - DP & RSC	" 13631 - " 2354 or 2329
Lombardia Region	
Capt. Slater - DP & RSC	" 067 " 210
Ing. Porto - ISR	" 266541 " 2606

Procedure for b)

DP & ESC will request moves to this office, this office will pass such requests to Ing. Forte of ISR who will confirm. If such moves require a special train then Mov HW Italy must be consulted in addition to ISR, confirmation of all arrangements will then be passed to DP & ESC.

Procedure for c)

All movements to south of Bologna are arranged by HQ AC Rome who produce a weekly programme, no action on the part of this office is necessary, but any enquiries should be made to

Major Fry -- Mov AC Verona)
Major Black -- SOR 5 Army) phone Fildot 254
Major Worthington -- HQ AC Rome phone Rome 489081 Ext. 342
(Movements Division)
and also DP & R.S.C.

Regular trains Via Brenner.

These run on a regular schedule but this office does not until Phase II starts control these movements. Major Black SRO 5 Army and/or Major Fry Verona should be contacted for information as necessary.

Regular train Via Domodossola.

This train runs every Tuesday as follows :-

ANNEGLASSE	depart
Domodossola	arrive 08.48
"	depart 10.48
Novara	arrive 11.30
"	depart 15.58
Domodossola	arrive 19.42

This train carries 1000 Italians. Timings are Italian.

Empty train.

A letter to DP & R has been sent re above.

Movement by sea.

Movement under arrangements HQ AC Rome is arranged by sea as follows :-

From Pionbino to Sicily
From Northern ports by Italian cruiser "Caribaldi" to
Southern ports

Conclusion.

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Conclusion.

Instructions regarding DP Movement and policy will be found in HQ AC Rome 297/113/TMB dated 11 July in file 29.

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: **FX 38160**
Date/Time of Origin: **AUG 24 2124Z**

Message Centre No: **F/5170**
Date Time Rec'd: **AUG 25 0230Z**
Precedence: **PRIORITY**

FROM **AMHQ SIGNED SACRED STATE ENCODE**
TO : **HQ ALCON INFO: AMG VENEZIA REGION FOR IRVIM INTRON, AMG 13 CORPS, 2 CP DEPSO, AMG VERONA FOR EPOX, ALCON MILAN FOR SIGONS**

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Ref year 4183 dated 23 August.

1. Do not agree general movement of refugees from **RESTRE** nor rail movement to **MILAN**. What was agreed was movement of southern domiciled portion of 15,000 Italians ex Russian zone for **AUSTRIA** by rail to **VERONA** not **MILAN**. General movement from **VERONA** under your arrangements.
2. Request agreed ent.

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Info - **Chief Commissioner**
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AMG VENEZIA REGION AMG 13 CORPS F GROUP DPRSC (ACTION)
AMG VERONA ALCOM MILAN AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG (INFO)
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PARA ONE OD SUBJECT MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES FROM MESTRE PD

PAREN TP AMG VENEZIA REGION FOR IRVIN LYNCH TO AMG ONE THREE CORPS
TO FOX GROUP DPRSC ACTION TO AMG VERONA FOR FRY TO ALCOM MILAN FOR
SYMONS TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

YOUR PDR SLANT ONE TWO EIGHT OF TWO ONE AUG FOUR FIVE REFERS PD

PARA TWO PD AFHQ HAVE INSTRUCTED ONE THREE CORPS TO INSTITUTE RAIL
LINK FOR MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES FROM YOUR AREA VIA VERONA TO MILAN
SETTING DOWN REFUGEES FOR THE SOUTH AT VERONA PD

PARA THREE PD CONFIRM BY RETURN THAT RAIL MOVEMENT HAS BEEN ARRANGED
IN WHICH CASE ROAD TRANSPORT FROM MESTRE TO BOLOGNA SHOULD BE ELIMINA-
TED PD

PARA FOUR PD ON NO ACCOUNT MUST MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES FROM BAKER
TARS ABLE BE HELD UP PD

PARA FIVE PD AGREED DPRSC ROME PD

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COPY TO DPRSC MRS ROME (Major London) RAIL DIV ROADS DIV
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION ECONOMIC SECTION WMD IPW SC

TRANSPORTATION SC

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

16, 2/8

Follow to refer

INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: QM 0715
Date/Time of Origin: AUGUST 20/1950B

Message Centre No: E/4843
Date Time Rec'd: AUGUST 22/1745B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: EXFOR

TO: ACTION: AMHQ INFO: USFET MAIN AICOM EASTMOVES, WESTMOVES, FIFTH ARMY

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For G-4 and info Brit Lo G-4 (current ops) USFET MAIN.

Your FX 36137 of 17 August refers.

1. All cancellations of trains from 21 ARMY GROUP Zone were made at request of USFET. The cancellations referred to were due to operating difficulties in the US Zone. Train despatches were resumed from railheads in 21 ARMY GROUP Zone 17 August. QM 0657 of 16 August and QM 0654 of 15 August refer.

2. To avoid confusion you will not in future be informed of cancellations made at the request of USFET in signals from EXFOR as any changes in programme affecting handover of trains from US Zone to you are fully explained in signals from USFET MAIN.

3. no cancellations have been caused by inability to despatch trains from our zone. We are anxious to complete existing programmes in the shortest possible time.

4. Amb trains were despatched to you 7 14 and 17 August and programme continues as agreed. All informed

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INFO-ACTION : TN SC (2)
INFO : CHIEF COMMISSION
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TRANSFORMATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

23 August 1945

Tel : 478704

297/53/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Control of Movement of Displaced Persons

TO : Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission

1. With reference to copy of this Sub-Commission letter 297/28/Tn 3 dated 11 Aug '45 to Rail Division regarding the possibility of introducing a suitable type of ticket to be issued to refugees travelling by rail.

2. Rail Division have examined the proposals put forward and have stated

(a) that they do not see any reason why the vouchers, which are already being produced by the Italian authorities in conjunction with I.S.R., should not be used.

(b) It is thought that the proposed perforated code system to be stamped on each ticket might lead to confusion and it is felt that if the tickets are placed at the disposal of responsible people of Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, the I.S.R. can be left to ensure that no irregularity takes place.

3. With regard to the validity of the tickets, it is observed that the specimen book, which is returned herewith, gives a validity on the section of the ticket to be handed to the refugees, of 15 days from the date of issue. It is felt that the period of 15 days is too long and that the validity should be reduced to 7 days.

4. In order that a final decision can be reached and the necessary instructions issued to all concerned, please let me have your comments on the revised proposals outlined above.

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For the Director

C. R. Washington
C. R. WASHINGTON,
Major R.E.

Copy to : Mail Division (Tn 4)

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.
(Rail Division)
A TRANSPORTATION (TR) UNIT C. I. P.

AT/101

24/24

21 August 1965

Ref. 815235
Ref. 80/23/44

SUBJECT : Control of Movement of Displaced Persons.

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TO : Movement Division, Rail Section.

1. Reference is made to your letter 87/20/24 of the 14th of August. As the ICR have apparently produced the vouchers to be used for the movement of refugees, we have no objections to submit in respect of them.

2. In respect of your Paragraph 3 however, we feel that it is likely to lead to confusion if a rather elaborate system of code letters is used in respect of the tickets issued.

3. We feel that provided the tickets are placed at the disposal of the responsible people in the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, the ICR can be left to insure that no irregularity takes place.

4. You state that the tickets would be available for seven days 2629 and the note at the foot of the ticket indicates a validity of 15 days which is confirmed by the batch of instructions we have received and attach hereto. The exact source of these instructions is not known to us but as they apparently have been issued authoritatively, they are sent you for any action you may desire.

acting Mg.
for Chief Rail Div

Attachment:

1 Voucher 800
1 Letter of Instructions

TRANSMISSION

High Commissariat for War Refugees.

Rules for use of voucher tickets to be delivered to refugees for their railway travels.

I. General rules:

1. In order to regularize refugees' railway travels and to remove irregularities and abuses, a special model of voucher-tickets is being instituted.
2. Vouchers are found in fascicles of 100 or 50 each and consist in three distinguished parts:
 - counterfoil
 - matrix
 - authorization-tickets.
3. Each voucher may be, as specified below, individual or collective.

The Authorities in Charge of Issuing the Vouchers.

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4. The Authorities who may issue the Vouchers are:
 - a) The "High Commissariat for War Refugees"
 - b) The "Zonal Commission for Assistance to Refugees."
 - c) The Royal Prefectures.
 - d) The "Refugees Gathering Centres"
 - e) The Communes who give hospitality to refugees.

It is understood that the Centres of Rome, being directly depending from the High Commissariat, will receive vouchers from the latter.

III. Use of the voucher-tickets.

5. Each voucher, as said under para 3, may be individual or collective and must always read name or names of passengers entitled to it.
6. Collective vouchers are to be delivered to groups of passengers leaving from and destined to the same station.
7. For travels concerning different lines and during which change

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- c) The Royal Prefectures.
- d) The "Refugees Gathering Centres"
- e) The Communes who give hospitality to refugees.

It is understood that the Centres of Rome, being directly depending from the High Commissariat, will receive vouchers from the latter.

III. Use of the voucher-tickets.

5. Each voucher, as said under para 3, may be individual or collective and must always read name or names of passengers entitled to it.

6. Collective vouchers are to be delivered to groups of passengers leaving from and destined to the same station.

7. For travels concerning different lines and during which change of itinerary is necessary, delivery of a ticket to every family is more practical and advisable.

8. Collective vouchers delivered to considerable groups have not enough room for the passengers' list of names, they will therefore bring attached lists of names in two copies signed by the same authority who signs the vouchers.

9. If the refugees' conveyance is made by extraordinary train, a group of policemen will be in charge of gathering and boarding the refugees at the departure, of watching the service during the travel, of sorting the passengers at junctions and at the arrival.

In order to make such operations easier, the chief of the escort will be given the prescribed copies for the places of destination and another copy of the list of all refugees travelling on that train, this list will be issued by the Organization who compiles the voucher-ticket.

The escorting policemen will be furnished with voucher-ticket by the authority in charge of their service.

10. The competent Organization compiles the entire voucher, keeps the counterfoil and gives matrix and authorization-ticket to the departing station, eventually attaching list's mentioned in Para 9. The station keeps the matrix and one copy of the lists, giving back the authorization-ticket and the other copy of the list duly stamped with dated stamp.

11. Authorization-tickets are not transferable; therefore every refugee has to be put in such conditions as to be able to show a document certifying his quality of refugee at any request from train conductors, policemen and also from High Commissariat personnel in charge of checking.

Transgressors are liable of sanction foreseen by L.S.R. regulations (Condizioni e Tariffe).

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17. The fascicles, also if exhausted, must be filed with proper care in order that an eventual checking may be possible at any moment.

18. Each consignee Organization will forward timely request of supply of new fascicles to the Authority who delivered the preceding ones.

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With expenditure accounts.

Steps for travel expense reimbursements are to be taken by
ISR Direction General in close connection with the "High
Commissioner for War Refugees" (Administration Division)

The High Commissioner
Signed: Tito Zamboni

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

GTC/SLC

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23 August 1945

Tel : 478704

297/52/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Movement of Ex P.W.

TO : Rail Division (Tn 4)

1. Reference attached report from COMANDO PRESIDIO MILITARE POLIZANO.
2. It is understood that, on occasions it is necessary to use open wagons when box wagons are in short supply, but in this case it would seem that the complete train was composed of open wagons.
3. Will you please enquire into this matter.

For Chief Movements Division

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C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.E.

Subject :- Rail Transport of ex Prisoners of War (Italian)

To : Transportation Sub Commission. AG.

Copy to : Displaced Persons & Repat SC. AC.

SMRE. (Ufficio Trasporti) - Your

3800 dated 18 Aug refers.

Land Forces Sub Commission. AG,
(SMIA) Tel: ROME 478206.
Mov/Rail 35/2.
21 Aug 45.

Please find enclosed copies of a report from the Comando Presidio
Militare Foligno, for such action as may be deemed necessary.

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W.A.A. Evans
Capt. RE.
(W.A.A. EVANS)
Movements Liaison Officer.

TRANSLATION.

FROM STAMAGGIORE TRASPORTI 18 Aug 45.
TO MOVEMENTS MMIA.
REF. No. 7246/F

Subject. Rail Transports for ex prisoners.

We include a copy of Ref. 1134 dated 2 Aug 45. of COMANDO PRESIDIO MILITARE at FOLIGNO, with a request to inform of the matter the relevant Allied Authorities for the possible issueⁱⁿ of instructions.

Col. Bogliaccino.

18 Agosto 1945

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE
ALLEATA PER L'ESERCITO A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) - Movements -
R O M A

№ 7246/F di prot.

Allegati 1

OGGETTO : TRASPORTI FERROVIARI PER REDUCE dalla
PRIGIONIA.

Si trasmette copia del foglio 1134 in data 2 agosto c.a. del Comando Presidio Militare di Foligno, con preghiera di portare a conoscenza delle competenti Autorità Alleate l'accaduto, per gli eventuali provvedimenti.

IL CAPO UFFICIO
(Col.O. Bogliaccino)

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C o p i a

COMANDO PRESIDIO MILITARE
FOLIGNO

Foligno, 2 Agosto 1945

N° 1134 di prot.

OGGETTO: Trasporti ferroviari per i reduci dalla prigionia .

..... I n d i r i z z i O m e s s i

Il giorno 1 agosto un convoglio di prigionieri reduci dalla Germania (forza complessiva circa 1000) è arrivato alla stazione di Foligno mentre imperversava un forte temporale. Poichè i reduci erano tutti trasportati in carri scoperti è facile rendersi conto in quali condizioni fossero questi infelici.

Questo comando, subito interessato, ha cercato un luogo ove ricoverare e fare sciolgere Gli uomini di cui è parola, ma invano perchè come è noto tutti i locali capaci di accasermare un forte contingente di uomini sono requisiti e a disposizione delle truppe inglesi.

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IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
f/to Mascaretti Nob. Alessandro

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IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: S-17490
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 14 1900

Message Centre No: F/4037
Date Time Rec'd: AUG 16 0945
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE ETDS
TO: EXFOR MAIN INFO ABHQ, ALCOM

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Confirming telcon SAHQ/ABHQ. USAC meeting yesterday approved following
CEPX bids for personnel movement from British zone GERMANY for 2nd half August effective
15th. 3 trains daily Italians to MITTENWALD 1 train daily Italians to BREGENZ 1 train
daily Yugoslavs to ROSENBERG 2 ambulance trains weekly Italians to VERONA 2 trains daily
German PWX to French zone GERMANY 1 and half trains daily German DEF in transit
BREMERHAVEN to BILLEN. Above in effect is increase over present movement of 1 train daily
to MITTENWALD and 2 trains PWX to French zone. Details of latter to follow. Are you
agreeable to meet this programme. Agreed CEPX.

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INFO - ACTION

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TN SC 2
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AND 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

CAC/nd'n

DER/4/C-II (IT)

Tel. 489001 Ext. 594

16 August 1945

SUBJECT : Refugees for Sardegna.

TO : All Group Centre (IA, IB, IC, ID, IE, IF, IG),
Major Black, Senior Refugee Officer
G-5 Section, 5th Army Main.
Florence Representation, P.P. & R.S.C.
Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.

1. From receipt of this memo please route all refugees for Sardegna, via Civitavecchia instead of via Naples.
2. There is an Italian Camp at Civitavecchia, present capacity 500.
3. Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C. is asked to arrange to put down refugees for Sardegna, at Civitavecchia in future.

For the Director.

*Following are copies to send
Major Black, P.P. & R.S.C.
in emergency state?
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1945*

Carliano

C.A. OTHER
Lt. Colonel
Gen Italian.

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Copies to : P.O.I.L.
Ministero Assistenza Post-Bellica.
File DER/4/C-II (IT).

*Inclusion in Programme
Refugee Board 27 Aug
to 2 Sep.*

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AUG 162030B
ROUTINE

ALCOM MILAN CITE ACTPT FOR FISKE SIGNED HARRIS
HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT INFO AC TN VERONA FOR FRY REG TPTN OFFICER
BOLOGNA, REG TPTN OFFICER TORINO

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Subject is movement of 704 Jews from SWITZERLAND to TARANTO
for shipment to PALESTINE. Special Swiss train arrives DOMODOSSOLA
0800 hours and NOVARA 1300 hours 20 August. Swiss passenger stock
goes through to NOVARA and ISR train will be waiting there for
immediate transshipment and onward despatch to MODENA via ALESSANDRIA
and PIACENZA after feeding. Definite timings will be advised later.
4 wagons baggage will arrive DOMODOSSOLA 18 August for transshipment
to ISR wagons and will be attached to special train 20 August.
Onward move from MODENA will be arranged by HQ AC.

*Mailed Milan adv
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Action - Tn SC 2
Info - Chief Commissioner
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Office of the Flag Officer,
Italy and Liaison,
ROME.

11th August, 1945.

No. P.O.I.L. 1028/7.

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.

(Copies to: Displaced Persons' Sub-Commission, Allied Commission,
Military Mission to Italian Army,
Allied Forces Headquarters, G. 4,
Ministry of Marine, Rome.
Navy Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.)

TRANSPORT OF DISPLACED PERSONS AND ITALIAN SERVICES
PERSONNEL IN "B" CLASS ITALIAN SHIPS.

With reference to your enquiries at the meeting held on Saturday 4th August, 1945, for an estimate as to the number of Displaced Persons who could be transported weekly in Italian "B" Category Naval Vessels, I have to inform you that the problem has been investigated by my Staff Officer Liaison, Italy, in consultation with the Italian Staff Officer Operations.

2. The following conclusions have been reached:

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(B). For September onwards it is hoped to employ the following vessels:

(i) Cruisers "GARIBOLDI" and "ABRUZZI" (capacity 1,200 each) on 5 trips per month between Genoa (or Savona) and Naples, thus giving a monthly list of 12,000.

(ii) Naval Transports "MIRACLIA" and "PACINOTTI" (capacity 1,200 and 600 respectively) on 4 trips per month between Piacenza and Messina, total monthly list 7,500.

3. These two ferries will be supplemented by destroyers and other

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED COMMISSION.

(Copies to: Displaced Persons' Sub-Commission, Allied Commission,
Military Mission to Italian Army,
Allied Forces Headquarters, G. L.,
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(ii) Naval Transports "MIRACLIA" and "PACINOTTI" (capacity 1,200 and 600 respectively) on 4 trips per month between Piombino and Messina, total monthly lift 7,600.

3. These two ferries will be supplemented by destroyers as these become available, so that a rough estimate of the total monthly lift may be given as 20,000.

4. This figure will not of course, be realised unless and until all four principal ships are running, and is also dependent on the weather. The latest date for the completion of "ABRUZZI'S" refit is September 10th. On the other hand "GARIBOLDI" is to do one more Piombino-Messina trip in August before she goes into dock, and it is hoped that "PACINOTTI" will become available before the end of August. Thus the weekly estimate is likely to vary ... especially in August.

5. In addition...

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TRANSPORT OF DISPLACED PERSONS AND ITALIAN SERVICE

PERSONNEL IN "B" CATEGORIES ITALIAN SHIPS

(Flag Officer, Italy and Liaison Officer, U.S. Navy, 1023/7 of the
11th August, 1945.)

5. In addition to the arrangements outlined above, the naval Depot Ship "MOGEMICO" has been allocated for a weekly lift of 500 Displaced Persons from Piombetta Vecchia to Olbia (Sardinia), and a destroyer ferry service from Naples to Cagliari has been instituted at the request of M.M.I.A. for the transport of Italian Service Personnel. This should provide a monthly lift of at least 600, which is in addition to M.M.I.A.'s present allocations in "CAMPIDUGLIO" and "ABBADIA".

6. The Italian Ministry of Marine is fully aware of the gravity of the Displaced Persons problem and the urgent need of returning them to their homes as far as possible before winter, and is anxious to co-operate.

S. J. Rockefeller

FOR REAR-ADMIRAL, 2415
(absent on duty).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

APD 394

Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel : 472704

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16 August 1945

SUBJECT : Movement of Displaced Persons and Refugees

TO : Ministers of the Assistance Post-Bellon
Rome

1. Reference your letter dated 7 August '45 regarding Transport required by Road and Sea.

2. As regards Road Transport, the Allied Commission have handed over to the Italian Government a total of 3,118 vehicles to the end of July, this will be followed by a further 2,071 in August, to be used where most needed under the programme of prevention of disease and unrest.

3. In addition to the vehicles outlined in Para 2 above, 410 vehicles have been allotted in the North for movement of Refugees, as and when necessary.

4. Arrangements are already made for the movement of Refugees by sea and rail, and transport will be provided up to available limits. All shipping including Italian passenger and cargo carrying vessels are controlled by the Allied authorities under the terms of the Armistice. It will not be possible to consider allocating your Ministry's steamers or schooners, but if stores or refugees need to be moved, it will be done by the best possible means, if you make your requests known through the proper channels.

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FRANK UPMAN JR.
Director

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2. As regards Road Transport, the Allied Commission have handed over to the Italian Government a total of 1,118 vehicles to the end of July, this will be followed by a further 2,071 in August, to be used where most needed under the programme of prevention of license and interest.

3. In addition to the vehicles outlined in para 2 above, 116 vehicles have been allotted in the north for movement of refugees, as and when necessary.

4. Arrangements are already made for the movement of refugees by sea and rail, and transport will be provided up to available limits. All shipping including Italian passenger and cargo carrying vessels are controlled by the Allied authorities under the terms of the Armistice. It will not be possible to consider allocating your Ministry's coasters or schooners, but if stores or refugees need to be moved, it will be done by the best possible means, if you make your requests known through the proper channels.

FRANK UPDEGRAVE JR.,
Director

Copy to : Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission
Movements Division - Shipping Branch

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Original's Reference: 529

Message Centre No: E/3782

Date/Time of Origin: AUGUST 13/1645B

Date/Time Rec'd: AUGUST 13/1935B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ALCOM MILAN CITE ACTPT FOR FISKE SIGNED HARRIS

TO: HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT

RESTRICTED

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Subject is 700 Jews from SWITZERLAND to TARANTO for shipment. Wire latest time and date you require special trail at BOLOGNA and confirm if must arrive TARANTO by August 28

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ACTION : TN SC (2)

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
FLORENCE

Reference: Td/FL/111

10 Aug. 45

Subject: Refugees

To: Capo Compartimento,
I.R.R. Florence.

W. W. R.

1. Acknowledging copy your letter H.14111/CL/1 dated 11 Aug 45 with reference to the Governor of Lucena's request that two wagons of refugees be attached to regular trains southward twice per week.
2. The movement of refugees from Lucena has been the subject of many discussions with the local representative of displaced persons Sub-Comm A.C. and authority has been sought from R.I. in Rome to have rolling stock supplied at Lucena to move about 500 per week on the two refugee trains moving south weekly from Florence and Bologna instead of trying to hold space on those trains for this number.
3. Authority is also sought to have Lucena included as a starting point for the usual 300 per day to Florence.
4. When this is arranged it is thought that the Lucena situation will be well cared for.

W. F. Baker, Major
M. F. BAKER, Major
Tm/ Officer (Rail)
Florence.

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Copy: En. Sub-Comm AG Rail Cor.
Capt. Johnson, USR, Florence
Lt. Col. F.C. Lee DE-8 RAB, Florence
Capt. Meyer, HNS, Leghorn
Capt. Korman, P.B.S. Leghorn

Becky *communicated to*

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WPA/wh.

W. F. Blair, Mayor
S. E. Blair, Mayor
Mr. Gilmer (Mail)
Florence.

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Copy : To, Sub-Comd AC Mail Box.
Capt. Johnson, 489, Florence
Lt. Col. F.C. Van D' & HSC, Florence
Capt. Meyer, 415, Loughorn
Capt. Kiernan, P.O. 3, Loughorn.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tel : 478704

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11 August 1945

SUBJECT : Control of Movement of Displaced Persons
TO : Rail Division (En 4)

1. For some time it has been evident that a considerable number of persons are travelling under the guise of Displaced Persons and refugees, when in fact they have been nothing of the kind.
2. The question of how to regulate this traffic has been examined and was the subject of a meeting held at Displaced Persons Sub-Commission on 8 Aug '45.
3. The suggestion most favoured is that each displaced person scheduled to travel by rail should be given a ticket (book of specimens enclosed). These tickets would be made out at the various refugee camps and to safeguard the system against illegal practices, it is suggested that each ticket is perforated and stamped with date of issue and code number or letter. This number or letter would be changed weekly and it is considered that by the time any would be illegal, printers had prepared the necessary stamps the code number or letter would be out of date and they would have to commence all over again. For obvious reasons the numbers would not follow on consecutively. Spot checks would be made from time to time and any unauthorized persons found on a train would be instructed to leave and make their own way to their desired destinations.

4. The code numbers or letters would only be made known to Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission Camp Commandants and Transportation Officers in the field, in addition to this Sub-Commission, until a few days before coming into operation when the I.S.R. would be informed in order that they

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5. The tickets would be made available for seven days only, and it is calculated that this safeguard would eliminate certain mal practices now known to exist.
6. Will you please examine the above proposal and offer any comments on its feasibility or otherwise.

For Chief Movements Division

C.R. Worthington
C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major R.E.

Copy to : Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission

Encl. : 1 Book of specimen tickets and
1 copy of instructions on use of tickets.

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CONVERSATION MAJORS ELLIS - SANDERSON 6/8

On 6 August '45 Lt. Col. Jagger said that Brig. Fellowes had ruled that the movement of Polish refugees etc. Forli' to Barletta is an A.C. responsibility. Therefore the Polish trains must count against the 7 trains weekly allocated for Italians.

All concerned recognise that the movement of Italians from SHAEF is effected by this, and that the target completion date i.e. end of September may not be realised. This has been accepted.

B. C. Sanderson
major
S/S

6/8

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DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN: AUG 06

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INFORMATION FOR (2) EXPORT

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~~SECRET~~
UNCLASSIFIED (.) FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF EXFOR CABLE QMO-222 DATED 2 AUG (.)
FOR Q(M) A(PHX)MIL GOVT (.) SUBJECT: EVACUATION OF ITALIAN TO BREGENZ FOR ONWARD
TRANSMISSION TO ITALY VIA SWITZERLAND (.)

1. WITH EFFECT FROM 6 AUGUST AND DAILY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE 1 TRAIN COMPOSED OF GOODS STOCK AND CONVEYING 1,500 ITALIANS WILL RUN DAILY FROM SOEST TO BREGENZ (.)
2. TIMINGS SOEST DEPART 100 (?) ALLENGHEDEN 1515, 1605 (LATHALT), SIEGEN OST ARRIVE 1755 HOURS WHERE H ANDOVER TO US RLY OP TAKES PLACE (.)
3. GUARDS AND RATIONS UNDER MIL GOV ARRANGEMENTS AS ALREADY NOTIFIED (.)
4. GOVT FWD REQUESTED TO ENSURE THAT EMPTY TRAIN STOCKS WITH RETURNING GUARDS ARE RETURNED TO SIEGEN OST FOR HANDOVER TO BRIT RLY OP"

DETRI REP Q (MAINT)
G-5 G-4

OF PRIORITY

G-4 (MDV & TN)

A.M. WILLIS, Major
FREEDOM 320

HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION

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DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPA/61/ADM

4 August 1945

SUBJECT: Repatriates and Displaced Persons Situation in Northern Italy as at 29 July 1945.

TO : Those interested.

1. PROBLEMS AND SOME "ANSWERS"

(a) SHARP ZONE. To repatriate some 300,000 Italians from SHARP and 6th Army AREA. Although well over 100,000 Italians have been repatriated in the last month, more have come to light in SHARP area. At present some 4,500 are arriving at VIENNA via BREMEN and some 1000 a day via SWITZERLAND. It is hoped to raise the latter figure to at least 2000 a day shortly.

(b) SWITZERLAND. The 30,000 Italians in Switzerland have practically all been repatriated.

(c) FRANCE. A start has been made on the 50,000 Italians in France requiring repatriation. It is hoped to increase this flow.

(d) RUSSIAN ZONE. The number of Italians in the Russian Zone is still unknown. A few have been repatriated.

(e) SOUTHERN ITALIANS IN NORTHERN ITALY. Increased numbers have materialised especially in Lombardy Region - where the figure of 200,000 has been mentioned - 1000 per week are being accepted. After mid Sept., when the flow from SHARP will be reduced, more can be moved.

Southerners with over 30/40 kilos baggage cannot be accepted - through refugee channels.

(2) OTHER NATIONALS IN ITALY

(i) Northern & Western Europeans. The bulk have been repatriated - via BREMEN, 5000 SWITZERLAND and BREMEN. At present under 1000 in camps but a few keep coming in.

(ii) Greeks, Albanians, Mediterranean Nationals. The numbers remaining in Italy are not great but some 10,000 Greeks still required to be repatriated from SHARP via Italy. Shipping remains very difficult.

(iii) Jews. Recently 4,500 (Non-Italian) arrived from SHARP without warning. Any further will be returned at once.

(iv) Poles and Mixed Slavs. The bulk are still under canvas, but unless numbers are greater than anticipated, all will be under cover by winter.

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2. TRANSFORMATION

Remains the outstanding difficulty.

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(1) RAILWAYS. Only 10 trains South per week from Bologna area.

(11) SHIPPING. Genoa and Venice still not functioning for refugees. "Garibaldi" is taking 2,500 weekly from Piombino to Sicily. More shipping is being rapidly sought. The mere rumour of an air craft carrier going North caused many fruitless journeys. Eventually discovered and carried 100 refugees.

3. TRUCKS.

A considerable number of trucks are now available for transportation but unless back-loads are obtained, they are uneconomical for long distance or large scale movement.

4. HOSPITALIZATION.

Preparations are fairly well advanced to receive Hospital Trains via BRESCIA and CIVITAVECCHIA. The numbers anticipated are 5,000.

C. R. S. S. S.
O. E. FINDLAY
Colonel,
Director.

CAO/lf.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

PO 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND RE-EDUCATION SUB COMMISSION

7 August 1945.

IPB/27/3-II (IT)

Tel. 489081 Ext. 594

SUBJECT : Sorelle accompanying trains.

TO : Distribution.

1. Very shortly it is hoped to institute as a regular Service that two sorelle of the Italian Red Cross accompany each authorized Refugee train from Northern Italy to the South. Normally there are eleven of these trains per week. 2. When this service starts, G.S.C. Groups and Florence Representative will ensure that these sorelle are given travel orders, at the point of origin, for the return journey, and rations for the outward journey.

3. On arrival at the destination, the following procedure should be followed :

(a) From the North to Rome.

On arrival in Rome, the sorelle should :

(1) Take the travel orders to G.C. Cine Citta Reception Centre Rome, Allied National side, where the orders will be endorsed.

(11) ~~Take the travel orders to MOVEMENTS Rome, address :~~

Via delle Forcette Oscure, telephone 48443, where transportation documents will be issued for return journey by rail. *Take travel orders to the Station 170 at home Tammis Station for return to Rome.*

(b) From the North to Bari.

On arrival in Bari, the sorelle should :

(i) Report to H.Q. U.N.R.A.A. to get travel authority for return journey.

Address : U.N.R.A.A. Bari

Via Dante Alighieri 13

Capt. J.E. SILVEIRA or Mr. HOLMES - telephone 14415.

4. Accommodation will be as follows where rations will also be provided for the period waiting for the return journey and for the return journey itself.

(a) Rome : Cine Citta Reception Centre Rome. Allied National side.

(b) Bari : No. 1 Transit Camp, Bari.

5. All concerned will be notified of starting date.

For the Director

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Report to Capt. Macle.

Ac. Tr. Officer.

Via Regina Elena, 57 Rome.

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(ii) Take the travel orders to MOVEMENTS Rome, address: Via della Botteghe Oscure, telephone 65443, where transportation documents will be issued for return journey. *Take travel orders to the station at home town; station picture to him.*

Report to base the C.C.

Ac. Tr. Officer.

Via Regina Elena 57, Rome.

(b) From the North to Bari.

On arrival in Bari, the soralle should:

(i) Report to M.A. U.N.R.R.A. to get travel authority for return journey.

Address: U.N.R.R.A. Bari

Via Dante Alighieri 13

Capt. S.E. SILVERA or Mr. HOLZER - telephone 14415.

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(b) Bari: No. 1 Transit Camp, Bari.

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For the Director.

DISTRIBUTION:

Distribution List 'B'

Italian Red Cross (Attn. Soralle di Cassella 12, Via Toscana, Rome)

Movements Rome.

Military Railway Service, Attn: Maj. LONDON.

Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.

U.N.R.R.A. Rome

S.A. OLIVER,
Lt. Colonel,
G-I Italian.

U.N.R.R.A. Bari 12, Via Dante Alighieri
Ministero Assistenza Post Bellica.

C O P Y.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES
ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394 - G.M.F.

(Telephone: Resident Rep - 471533.
Personal Assistant to R.R. - 471538).

Reference: 8/159

30th July 1945.

To : Executive Commissioner, AG HQ.
(Copy to: Director, D.P.R.S.C., AG HQ).

From : Resident Representative, IGOR, Italy.

The following information received from IGOR HQ in London may be of interest:

Military Responsibility for Displaced Persons.

1. SHARP have informed us that a Combined Displaced Persons Executive (CDEP) has been set up at Frankfurt to continue present operations and will probably last for about three months. It will be responsible for all matters hitherto handled by Displaced Persons Branch, G-5 Division, SHARP, and will ultimately transfer to UNRRA those of its responsibilities that are within the UNRRA charter.

2. Existing policies of SHARP relating to the care and repatriation of Displaced Persons will be continued by CDEP acting with the authority of the British Commander-in-Chief and of the Commanding General, U.S. Forces, in their respective zones of occupation. No French representatives have yet been assigned to CDEP. CDEP will not develop new policies.

3. The elements of CDEP will be -

- (a) British and US officers to be joined by French representatives if the French so desire.
- (b) Allied Liaison Officers.
- (c) AFHQ Liaison Officers.
- (d) POW Liaison Officers.
- (e) UNRRA representatives.
- (f) British and US Transportation representatives from their respective zones.
- (g) Liaison Officer from the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees.

4. The address of the new organization is: CDEP Headquarters,
U.S. Forces,
European Theatre, Main,
A.P.O. 757.

(Sgd) Julian Tomlin, Lt.Col.,
Resident Representative,
I.G.C.R.

Ex. Commissioner's Dist:

Ex. Com
CA Section (Info)
Trptn S/C (Info)

USPST MAIN USPST FOR ~~CDPX~~ INFO AFHQ CITE PHGMS PHGSO
 5 ARMY TPTN ANG 5 ARMY ANG EMILIA REGION
 2899 1 AUGUST 45 PRIORITY

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 PARA ONE PD SUBJECT MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES FROM USPST VIA BRENNER TO
 ITALY PD

CDPX
PARA TWO USPST MAIN TO USPST FOR ~~CDPX~~ INFO TO AFHQ CITE PHGMS PHGSO
TO FIFTH ARMY TRANSPORTATION FOR TRY TO ANG FIFTH ARMY FOR DPMSC REFUG
SENTATIVE TO ANG EMILIA REGION FOR DODDS FROM HQ ALCON CITE ACTET PARM

PARA TWO PD TRAINS ARE ARRIVING CARRYING LARGE CRATES PERSONAL
 BELONGINGS AND FURNITURE CAUSING DELAYS AND CONGESTION TRANSIT POINTS
 PD

PARA THREE PD BAGGAGE SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO PERSONAL BELONGINGS
 THAT CAN BE CARRIED BY INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED PD

PARA FOUR PD AGREED DPMSC PD

COPY TO : ECON SECT - DPMSC - WWD & IPW SC - CA SECT - ROADS DIV
 RAIL DIV(EN 4) - MOV ROME - JOINT RLY CONTROL ROME -
 DMRB ROME (MAJOR LONDON) -

TRANSPORTATION SC
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NICHOLAS FUMBINO
 CWO U.S.A.
 Asst. Adjutant

FILE

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Subject :- Unauthorised Civilian Travel.

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H.Q. Movements,
ANCONA, C.M.F.,
Ref: Mov 3/162
Tele. Ext. 2304

To :- H.Q., A.C.
(The Sub-Commission)
ROME

23 July 45

File 12
Refers

With reference to my Mov 3/162 of 11th July.

I cannot trace having received a reply from you on this subject yet in view of the fact that I am anxious to advise R.T.O's of the type of documents carried by authorised civilians I should be glad if you would let me have this information as quickly as possible.

See 297/106

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W. Bridges

(W.E. BRIDGES) Capt. R.E.
for Major, R.E.
D.A.Q.M.G. (H).
Port Commandant.

WEB/TN

Subject :- Unauthorized Civilian Travel.

H.Q. Movements,
ANCONA, C.M.F.,
Ref: Mov 3/162
Tele. Ext. 2300

11 July 45

To :- H.Q., A.C.
(Tn. Sub-Commission)
ROME

1. The situation regarding unauthorized civilian travel in this area is causing concern and it is desired to issue very definite instructions to R.T.O's and Train Guard Coys to combat it.
2. It is presumed that any parties of civilians whose movement is arranged by A.C. will be in possession of a definite movement document and will be in charge of some one person who will have details of the journey timings, party strength etc. It has been found that unauthorized civilians are banding themselves into parties and by bribing I.S.R. officials are allowed to get into railway wagons. Both sides then attempt to persuade British Movements that they are a properly authorized party. It is essential to conserve wagons that such parties are ejected.
3. May this H.Q. please be informed regarding the type of documents in use for authorized parties of civilians so that this information can be circulated to R.T.O's.

KS/TN

Copy to :- H.Q. Movements,
NORTH EAST ITALY.
A.C. (Tn. Sub-Commission)
ANCONA

(K. SHANNON) D.A.Q.M.C. (M).
for Lt. Col. R.E.
A.Q.M.C. (M).
Port Commandant.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

File
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Tel : 478704

24 July 1945

297/146/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Unauthorized civilian travel

TO : Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission

1. Reference conversation (Lt.Col. Oliver - Major Worthington) of 24 July '45.
2. The attached copy of letter received from HQ Movements Ancona is forwarded for your observations, especially with reference to para 3.

For the Director

C.R. Worthington
C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major

Copy to : HQ Movements Ancona (Mov 3/152 of 11 July '45 refers)
Rail Division (Tn 4)

AB/gd'a

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APD 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

DDR/9-1/ADM

Tel. 489081 Ext. 576

1 August 1945

SUBJECT : Location Statement of D.P. & R.S.C. Camps in Italy - Amendment No. 1.

TO : Distribution.

Please make following amendment to this H.Q. letter even number dated 23 July 1945.

H.Q. "B" Group
Piemonte Region

IT 17	TURIN	2500	Transit - Allied Nationals.
IT 18	DOBOVASCHIA	800	Frontier Post.

For the Director.

K.C. BROWN
Maj. Col.
O.i/c ADM.

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C-5 Section A.F.H.Q. (2)
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W.H.D. & I.P.O.V. Sub-Commission (Attn: Col. Campbell)
H.Q. UMRJ (Attn: Dr. G. Medzo)
Ministero Assistenza Post-Bellica.
Italian Mission.

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file 1.

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: MOV 3/124
Date/Time of Origin: JUL 29 1440B

Message Centre No: F/1829
Date Time Rec'd: JUL 30 0930B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: MOV HEAD STAFF
TO: RECCE VIENNA FOR MOV, MOV 5 CORPS INFO MOV GRAZ, AICOF, ACC HUNGARY BRITISH DELEGATION, FREEDOM FOR G5 AND G4 (MOV AND TN), HQ VENEZIA REGION FOR HUDSON, SARG KARSTEN FOR DP, TM VILLACH, TM TRIESTE, MOV 13 CORPS, MOV UDINE, 2 BOC, 154 RLY OF COV, 190 RLY OF COV

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Train F 2500 Italian ex PE being despatched soonest from BUDAPEST via VIENNA - WIENER NEUSTADT - BRUCK - KLAGENFURT T UDINE. Permission granted by Russians for train to leave BUDAPEST FR ITALY. For RECCE VIENNA. Request you clear this train with Russians and arrange movement into AUSTRIA advising MOV 5 CORPS Etc at BRUCK. For MOV 5 CORPS. Arrange onward movement this train T UDINE to cross MONTEBBA rail gap immediately line is open advise Etc KLAGENFURT to DP KARSTEN WH (who ?) will issue food at station. Advise Etc UDINE this HQ.

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INFO - ACTION

INFO-ACTION: Tn SC 2
INFO: Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec
INW SC
File 2
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Capt Clump

*advise DP&SC of
keep moving as when
soldiers are discharged
they may become
P.P. responsibility
see that they are
informed W/S*

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