

Movement of Refugees and Ex P.W Refugee Through Switzerland
Policy

P.W. Refugee Through Switzerland 10000/148/1009
June '45

20391

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INFO AFHQ

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22 October 1945

ROUTINE

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FX-48650-20 (2K)

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE AMHQ CABLE FX FOUR EIGHT SIX FIVE ZERO OF ONE THREE OCTOBER PD

PAPER TO FOR ACTION USHRE FOR INFO AFHQ FROM ALCOH SITE IPHAG PAPER

PARA TWO PD NO ARRIVALS YET REPORTED AT BOVARNA PD

PARA THREE PD NOTIFY WHEN THIS MOVEMENT WILL COMMENCE AND ETA BOVARNA PD

Copy to: Disposal Personnel S/C, AG
Transportation S/C, AG

IPW Division

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G.J. LEONE
CWO, U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: C 28067

Date/Time of Origin OCT 131817A

Message Centre No: 6/930

Date Time Rec'd: OCT 131930A

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AFHQ

TO : AICOM ROME

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Reur 7022 and 6978.

1. Attention invited to our reply to USFEB 3-26563 of 4 October. Note that on advise of rail authorities here that line to BENEVENTO and GENOA is broken, no action taken on your request to use that route for 1000 per week.
2. You are authorized to communicate direct for liaison with USFLT.

ACTION: ILO.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner

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ALCOM ROOM

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Immediate reply ref our M47740 of 7 October desired.

*Reply sent
See page 21*

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ARMY PRISON (ACTION) PRISON SITE PRISON ALONG MILAN FOR
PRISON (INFO)

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21 OCT 45

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PAGE ONE PD FURTHER TO OUR SIGNAL SIX SIX SEVEN EIGHT DATED SIX
OCTOBER AND YOURS FOR FOUR SEVEN SEVEN FOUR ZERO DATED SEVEN OCTOBER
NOT TO ALONG MILAN PD

Folio 19

PAGE TWO AFTER PRISON FOR ACTION TO PRISON SITE PRISON TO ALONG MILAN
FOR PRISON FOR PRISON FOR INFO FROM TO ALONG SITE ASSET PRISON
LIST BY CRUISE NOT POSSIBLE PD REQUEST MOVEMENT BE ARRANGED
BY TRAIN REQUEST POSSIBLE FROM AMBASSADOR VIA ROMANOSOLA AS FOLLOWS PD
TO NOVARA FOUR ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO CHA TO BORGHIENNA AND GENOA
ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO PD ONWARD MOVEMENT TO SOUTH WILL BE
ARRANGED BY THIS WARDENSTERS TO ARRANGE ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR
AND DISPLACED PERSONS REPARATION SUB COMMITTEE PD

Copy to :- Italian Prisoners of War
Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Comm.

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TRANSPORTATION 4/5

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G.J. LORNE
CSO USA
Asst. Adjutant

18/1/C-II (IT)
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FOR ACTION PRISONER REGION FOR BAKER GROUP DISPER CMA LIGURIA REGION FOR CHARLES
 GROUP DISPER INFO LOMBARDIA REGION FOR DOG GROUP DISPER CMA TWO ONE SEVEN AREA
 FOR EASY GROUP DISPER CMA DISPER REPRESENTATIVE FLORENCE

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11 October 1945

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PARA ONE PD APPROVED WITH ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB CO MISSION ACCEPT EIGHT ZERO
 ZERO ZERO ITALIAN ~~MISSION~~ COOPERATORS/TEAM SOUTHERN FRANCE AS FOLLOWS PD

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CHARLES GROUP DISPER INFO LOMBARDIA REGION FOR DOG GROUP DISPER CMA TWO ONE SEVEN
AREA FOR EASY GROUP DISPER CMA DISPER REPRESENTATIVE FLORENCE FROM ALCON CITE AGGER

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NOVARA ALSO ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO PER WEST VIA BONDIGHIERA AND GEMMA 13, START
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Copy by hand to I.R.W. Sub Commission
 Transportation Sub Commission

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OCT 7/1436A

ATHQ SIGNED SIGNED CITE INDEX
AICOM ROOM

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OCT 8/0900A
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Reference your 6678 and 6679.

Awaited are full details on proposed cruiser lift in order to make counter
suggestion to USFETS 26563. transport AICOM should first coordinate with shipping
authorization here

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ACTION : TH SO (2)

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URGENT CITE URGENT ACTION FREEDOM CITE FROM INFORMATION

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6 OCT 49

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EXCISE 1-18-5

URGENT PARA ONE TO REFERENCE CINCINNATI CITE RAY SUGAR GEORGE
DOZ SUGAR JOURNAL SUGAR TWO SIX FIVE SIX THREE DATED FOUR OCTOBER PD
PARA TWO FREEDOM CITE URGENT ACTION TO FREEDOM CITE FROM INFORMATION
FROM ALCON HQ CITE ASSET PAREN

PARA TWO PD WASHINGTON NO ACTION BE TAKEN REGARDING TRAIN MOVEMENT
AT FORTNEY PD

PARA THREE PD HAVE POSSIBILITY OF SEA LIFT BARCELONA TO NAPLES
BY ITALIAN CRUISER PD

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NICHOLAS PIGNONE
COW USA
Asst Adjutant

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: EX 75729

Date/Time of Origin: AUG 030858Z

Message Centre No: F/2615

Date Time Rec'd: AUG 041430

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: LEWIS USFET MISSION TO FRANCE CITE DECAP
TO: FOR USFET INFO ALCON

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SWISS train A 7 carrying 835 Italian Displaced Persons left
ANNEBERG at 0200 hours 1 August for NOVARA via BOVATE and
DOMODOSSOLA.

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INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 1572

Message Centre No: F/1297

Date/Time of Origin: JULY 251100

Date Time Rec'd: JULY 260900

FROM: LOMBARDIA REGION ACTPT ADV FOR POIETTI SIGNED TALBOT

Precedence: ROUTINE

TO: ALCON ROME ACTPT

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Subject is repatriation from GERMANY via SWITZERLAND.

Commencing 26 July 1000 per day will arrive CHIASSO by special train at 0450 hours except Saturdays and Sundays. Commencing 9 August additional 1000 per day will arrive CHIASSO by special train at 1204 hours except Saturdays and Sundays. Road transport CHIASSO to COMO camp in allcases. Train arrangements made COMO to MILAN. WESTROVES advised to call forward further 1000 per day via DOMODOSSOLA. Repatriate Ex SWITZERLAND expected to finish 31 July.

*Spoke Talbot phoned Mr. NW Italy
had given him the date 1945 but there
was no record as to why additional 1000
should not commence until 31 July. He
will take up with NW about in detail
by 31 July 500 per day
via Domodossola not 1000
He is to keep this up with NW too.
Per figures as to let us understand
the 500*

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 1551

Message Centre No: F/1055

Date/Time of Origin: JUL 24/1200B

Date Time Rec'd: JUL 24/1845B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ROMANIA DIA REGION A CPT ADV FOR POLETTY SIGNED TAIROT

TO : REMOVES NOV MILAN, INFO ROMANIA CPT

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Subject is repatriation from SWITZERLAND.

1. Swiss train arriving CHIASSO 28 July will convey 1100 Greeks instead of Italians.
2. Disposal on 29 July 600 for VARESE and 500 for BRESCIA.
3. Special train 29 July leaves CAMO 1015 arrives MILAN central 115.
4. VARESE portion leaves MILAN 1140 arrives 1245.
5. BRESCIA portion leaves MILAN 11523.

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INFO: Chief Commissioner

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staying at Varese and Brescia

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when are they
going? 28 26/7

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
(Advanced Echelon)
APO 394

233/M/TN2/ADV

27 June 1945

TO : HQ Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

SUBJECT : Repatriation from Switzerland.

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Signal Lolio
& Refers

Reference your signal 209 of 20 June, herewith report on
the meeting held at PONTE CHIASSO on 26 June 45.

H.C. Talbot

H.C. TALBOT
Major, R.E.

HCT/vb.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
(Advanced Echelon)
APO 394

27 June 1945

REPATRIATION OF ITALIANS FROM SWITZERLAND

Report on Meeting at Chiasso 26 June 45.

Via Chiasso and Como.

1. There will be a total of 21,000 military and carabinieri and 9,000 civilians to be repatriated at the rate of 1,000 per day on 5 days a week. No arrivals at Como Camp on Sundays and Mondays.

2. First batch of 650 military will arrive Como 29 June. Leave Como for Milan 30 June. Then in batches of 1,000 military until civilians commence to arrive Como on 10 July in batches of 250 and parties will then comprise 750 military and 250 civilians = 1,000 total.

3. Timings are as follows : -

Swiss train arrives Como 10.40 ^{not} Sundays and Mondays
Italian loco. from Chiasso
to Como

Italian train leaves Como 09.00)
arrives Milan C. 10.00) Not Mondays and Tuesdays

Baggage will be limited to 50 kg per person.

Swiss train to be turned round at Como in 1 hour.

4. Four days notice will be given if the move is to be suspended for any reason.

5. Transportation Sub-Commission, Advanced Echelon, Milan will arrange rail whenever possible for further moves from Milan in conjunction with Displaced Persons and Repatriation Officer, Lombardia Region.

Via Domodossola.

6. Persons for local dispersal only will be repatriated through Domodossola Camp and no special transportation requirements are contemplated from Domodossola onwards.

copies to: Movements N.W. Italy
Major Hirtzel, Displaced Persons
and Repatriation Officer
HQ Lombardia Region
Lt. Col. Fitzgerald, Transportation Officer HQ Lombardia Region

H. C. Talbot
H.C. TALBOT
Major, R.E.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 1338

Message Centre No: E/7009

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 27/1555B

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 27/1720

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: TRANSPORTATION SUB COMM ADVANCED ECHELON ALCON FOR POLETTI SIGNED TALBOT

TO: ALCON ROME ACFT INFO: ALCON ROME FOR MOV NW ITALY FOR MAJOR GREENHAY

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1. Subject is repatriation from SWITZERLAND.
2. Your signal 209 of 20 June. following arrangements made at meeting at PONTE CHIASSO 26 June. First move commences 29 June with 650 military arriving COMO by Swiss train and departing for MILAN 30 June by rail. Second after this batches of 100 will arrive daily at COMO from SWITZERLAND except Sundays and Mondays and will leave COMO for MILAN by rail daily except Mondays and Tuesday. Third. Train timings are Swiss train arrive COMO 1040 hours and Italian train leaves COMO 0900 hours arriving MILAN 1000. Fourth. Breakdown of personnel will be military and carabinieri only 29 June to 7 July inclusive and commencing 10 July 7050 military and 250 civilians. Fifth. Rail arrangements COMO to MILAN made with MOV NW ITALY. Sixth. No rail required from DOMODOSSOLA as persons for local dispersal only by this route. Seventh. Report follows.

ACTION : DISP
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TN BC (2)

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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28 JUN 1945
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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 US Army.

JBB/hl

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22 June 45.

SUBJECT : Bid for Transportation.

TO : HQ., Fifth Army, (attn Transportation)

1. The following bid for transportation of refugees is herewith submitted. First movement to take place with effect date of availability of rail transportation.

From VERONA to PO and South - 1700 to 2000 daily.
i.e. 45 Box cars.

From VERONA to MILAN and West - 1000 daily, possibly 1200. i.e. /25 Box cars.

2. This figure is based on 3000 per day from Austria through Bolzano to Verona. It is presumed that the movement to Verona area from Austria, will be arranged by Movements Austria area; if not, transport for 3000 daily from Bolzano to Verona will be necessary. i.e. 75 /Box cars

3. Dependant on the Swiss frontier being opened, no figures can be given for West to East transportation, but it may be presumed that at the beginning, the percentage from Switzerland for movement South will be extremely small - possibly only about 100 per day. Movements West to East will have to be bid for by Lombardia Region to Westmoves, with whom this office will keep in touch.

4. When permission is granted for transport to come from Germany through Switzerland to Italy, greater numbers of Southerners may be expected, rising within a month from opening of frontiers to 2000 per day, which will require transport South from Verona.

5. The request for transport South to Bologna from Verona will have to be linked up on the other side of the PO, both to Bologna, and from Bologna South, by East and West routes, via Ancona and Rome respectively. This will necessitate this office advising ALCOM Rome about 12 days in advance, so that AFHQ will allot the necessary Box cars South from Bologna area;

6. As train facilities become more easily available, it is proposed to step up movements South through the Brenner to 5000 per day, making Southern movements from Verona from that source alone between 2500 and 3000 daily. It will also be probably that by that time, full scale movements through Switzerland from Germany will be under way, i.e., 5000 daily. Little knowledge of percentages of Northerners and Southerners is to hand.

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Copies to :
HQ., A.C. ✓
Westmoves, Milan.
Lombardia Region for
Major Hirtzel, DPRSC.

James B. Black
JAMES B. BLACK.
Major,
Senior Refugee Officer,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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FOR ACTION LOMBARDIA REGION FOR DOG GROUP DISPER FOR HINTZEL CMA PIEMONTE
 REGION FOR BAKER GROUP DISPER FOR ENTROVEN CMA LOMBARDIA REGION FOR TALBOT CMA
 REGIONAL COMMISSIONER LOMBARDIA REGION CMA REGIONAL COMMISSIONER PIEMONTE REGION CMA

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20 June 1945

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ADDRESS CONTINUATION

REFD TO FOR INFO GEORGE FIVE ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS CMA NORTHMOVES CMA ITALIAN
 FRONTIER CONTROL DETACHMENT COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS FOR
 VITELLO CMA ITALIAN FRONTIER CONTROL DETACHMENT COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS ALLIED
 FORCES HEADQUARTERS FOR BRAAFIAPT

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SUBJECT IS REPARATION FROM SWITZERLAND PD

PAREN TO FOR ACTION LOMBARDIA REGION FOR DOG GROUP DISPER FOR HINTZEL CMA PIEMONTE
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FORCES HEADQUARTERS FOR BRAAFIAPT FROM ALCU CITE ACDEP PAREN

PARA ONE PD LIEUTENANT FEIR PUBLIC SAFETY IS PROCEEDING TO PONTE CHIASSO ABOUT TWO
 THREE JUNE AND IS CONTACTING MAJOR VITELLO COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS BORDER CONTROL
 POST PONTE CHIASSO PD MAJORS HINTZEL AND ENTROVEN WILL REPORT TO MAJOR VITELLO BY
 ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO HOURS TWO SIX JUNE AND SO OBTAIN ADDRESS OF LIEUTENANT FEIR WHOM

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THEY WILL THEN CONTACT FOR INTRODUCTION TO SWISS AUTHORITIES AND INITIATION OF MOVE
OVER BORDER TWO EIGHT JUNE PD MAJOR TALBOT TO ATTEND ON BEHALF OF TRANSPORTATION SUB
COMMISSION TO COORDINATE MOVEMENT PD COORDINATED ALCOM TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
AND DISPER

DISTRIBUTION (BY HAND) : Transportation Sub-Commission for action
Lt. Fehr, security Section A.C. -for info
Political adviser (Am)
Political Adviser (Br)
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