

Wagons: Demurrage

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(Rail Division)
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Tel. 845238
Ref. AC/176/Tn4

8 October 1945

SUBJECT : Demurrage Charges.

TO : Chief, Movements Section, Tn S/C.

1. I am advised by the Italian State Railways that their charges for demurrage were revised on 1 August 1945, and are now based on a charge of 20 lire for each indivisible day per quintal, with a minimum of 2,000 lire per car for each day.

2. Instead of the previous arrangement whereby demurrage charges increase daily, there is now a bonus of 50% if unloading is completed on the first day within four working hours from the time of expiring.

Albert May
for Director
for Chief Rail Div

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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Tel. 566

Ref: AC/100/32/Tn5

27 April 1945.

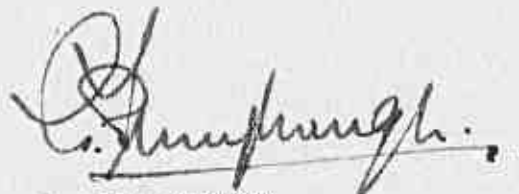
SUBJECT: Labelling of Rail Wagons -- Forli and Cesena.

TO : Movements Division.

1. Lt. Col. Steward of CAS, 15th Army Group, reports that confusion and delay is being caused at Forli and Cesena due to incorrect destination labelling of rail wagons from Ancona.

2. May this please be taken up with the Rail Transportation Officer at Ancona?

For the Chief:



G. FERNYHOUGH
Lt. Colonel, RA
Roads Division.

Major Dutton

Please reply following

Mr. Anconatani investigation
and Capt Smith
initiated
some mentions
to me at
the time of
the - answer
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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES

56C/RAIL/650

23 April 1945.
Tel: 53395.

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SUBJECT: Stoppage of freight by Salerno Prefect

TO : Tn.S.C. Movements Div. H.Q. A.C. - APO 394
Capt. Aldridge R.T.O. Salerno.

1. Copies of correspondence in connection with stoppage of oranges and wine traffic at Salerno, recently ordered by the Prefect at that point, are forwarded herewith for your information.
2. Capt. Aldridge's original letter is returned herewith.



V.R. BOWERS,
Major,
Senior Transportation Officer.

VRB/al.

Copy to: Adjutant's File
S.T.O.'s File.
File.

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NIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICE
ARMED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES

56C/RAIL/557

21 April 1945.
Tel: 53395.

SUBJECT: Detachment of cars by Prefect.

TO : Capt. Aldridge
R.I.O. Salerno.

1. Replying to your letter on the subject of the Prefetto of Alimentazione ordering cars of oranges or vine from Reggio which were destined to go through Salerno, to be unloaded there, I have consulted the AMG Commissioner whose decision is that I write to the Prefetto and request that this action cease.

2. While investigation shows that he has well-founded reason to know that irregularities do exist in connection with dealers importing fruit etc from Reggio Cal. and re-consigning it North of Naples, his action in ordering it unloaded at a station other than that to which consigned cannot be permitted.

3. Any complaints of irregularities of traffic or shortage of supplies for Salerno must be taken up by him with the High Commissioner for Food's representative in Naples, and I am today notifying him to this effect and also the I.R.R. in order that Capo Stazione Salerno cease his activity in conforming to the Prefetto's order.



V.R. BOWERS
Major
Senior Transportation Officer.

VRB/AL.

Copy to: Movements F. Italy
Capt. Wombwell Powit
Transportation S.C. Movements Division
S.T.O. Reggio.
Adjutant's File
S.T.O.'s File
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(Copy)

Subject : Civilian Traffic.

Rail Transportation Officer (Lt.Strand)
Allied Military Govt.
Naples

R.T.O.'s Office
Salerno Station
14 Apr.45

1. It has of late become a growing practise for the local Capo to detatch wagons of oranges, etc., labelled and consigned from the South to NAPLES, and have them offloaded here.
2. It appears he is ordered to do so by the local Prefetto of Alimentazione.
3. A letter received today from that gentleman is attached for information(please return when seen)
4. At the moment, as the traffic is A.C. and in view of the present policy, no steps will be taken to stop the practise.
5. Have you any comments, please.

(J.C.ALDRIIDGE)
Capt.R.E.
R.T.O.Salerno.

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T R A N S L A T I O N
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Prime Minister Office
High Commissioner for Food
SE.PR.AL. Salerno

To : Capt. Alridge - Rail Station of Salerno

Subject : Stopping wagons of oranges and wine in tank cars

Whereas the city of Salerno, since a long time is short of supplies of oranges and wine, and quite a quantity of such commodities are transported instead to various places of the Agro Nocerino, and sold there at scandalous prices; this has caused ill feeling between the population, which is compelled to yield to greedy speculations by dishonest merchants.

In order to avoid such a heavy deficiency I, as chief of the Province and chairman of the SE.PR.AL. have decided to stop at Salerno station the wagons of oranges and the tankcars of wine directed to stations of the Agro Nocerino, with the idea of unloading the stuff and distribute it through the competent offices.

The action of stopping wagons directed to other stations of the province has therefore the only scope to assure the population at Salerno the absolute necessity of two important products, and for this I take full responsibility.

I beg you to see that my orders will be urgently fulfilled.

sgd. THE PREFECT

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI
ALTO COMMISSARIATO DELL'ALIMENTAZIONE
SEZIONE PROVINCIALE DELL'ALIMENTAZIONE
DI SALERNO

Prot.N.I4868 VF/am

Salerno 13/4/45

ILL/MO SIG.CAPITANO ALRIDGE
Stazione Ferroviaria di
S A L E R N O

OGGETTO : Fermo carri di arance e serbatoi di vino.

Premetto che la città di Salerno, da molto tempo, è quasi completamente sprovvista di arance e di vino, mentre notevoli quantitativi di tali prodotti vengono trasportati nei Comuni dell'Agro Nocerino ed in vendita a prezzi scandalosi. Ciò determina un vivissimo malcontento nella popolazione, la quale è costretta a sottostare alle cosuose speculazioni delle categorie commerciali.

Per eliminare tale gravissima deficienza, nella mia qualità di Capo della Provincia e Presidente della Sezione Alimentazione, sono venuto nella determinazione di disporre il fermo a Salerno dei carri di arance e dei serbatoi di vino diretti agli scali ferroviari dello Agro Nocerino, provvedendo poi allo scarico del prodotto ed alla distribuzione di esso sotto il controllo dei competenti organi.

I provvedimenti che singolarmente vengono adottati per il fermo dei carri diretti ad altre stazioni della Provincia, hanno, quindi l'unico scopo di assicurare alla popolazione di Salerno l'indispensabile fabbisogno di due importantissimi prodotti e di essi assumo in pieno la responsabilità.

La prego, ora, di consentire che a tali provvedimenti sia data immediata ed integrale applicazione.

Firmato : IL PREFETTO.

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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER
LIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES

56 C/RAIL/651

TEL. 53395

23 April 1945

SUBJECT : Stopping of fruit etc by
Prefect of Salerno

TO : Capo Compartimento - I.S.R.
Via S. Lucia

1. Attached are copies of correspondence dealing with the action taken by H.E. the Prefect of Salerno.
2. I understand that H.E. has issued an order stopping cars of fruit and wine in transit and having them unloaded at Salerno.
I also understand that the Capo Stazione there, has carried out this order on several occasions.
3. Please issue instructions that freight traffic will move to its authorized destination at all times unless a change of destination has been approved by this office.

V.R. Bowers

V.R. BOWERS
Major
Senior Transportation Officer

Copy to : Tn.S.O. HQ.A.C. Movements
Division - APC 394
S.T.O. Reggio care Mov.Reggio
HQ. Movements West Italy
Capt. Aldridge R.T.O. Salerno
Dr. Eminente. Prefettura

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES PROVINCE

23 rd April 45

5, C/RAIL/652

SUBJECT : Stopping of Cars at Salerno

TO : S.E. The Prefect of Salerno

1. With reference to your Prot. N°14868 of 13 April to R.T.O. Salerno on the subject of cars of oranges and wine consigned to Agro Nocerino being stopped and unloaded at Salerno which has been forwarded to me.

2. I appreciate the difficulty your Excellency finds with regard to the people of Salerno being short of oranges and wine, but this is no justification for stopping food or merchandise rightfully consigned to other points.

Such arbitrary action will very quickly give rise to further serious complaints from consigners and cannot be tolerated.

3. I am informing the Food Controller Dottore Eminente, to whom you should make any complaint you feel justified to bring forward as regards your province.

J.A.C. FENTYCHICK
Colonel,
Commissioner.

Copy to: Tn.S.C. Movements Division ✓
Movements West Italy
Capt. Alaridge R.T.O. Salerno
Capo Compartimento I.S.R.
Capo Movimento I.S.R.
Sig. Novelli I.S.R.
S.T.O. A.C. Reggio care Mov. Reggio
Dt. Eminente - Prefettura Naples
Adjutant's File
S.T.O.'s File
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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER
(ADJUTANT MILITARY GOVERNMENT)
RAPIDS

56.0/RAIL/ 610

TEL. 53395

23 April 1945

SUBJECT : Delay in transit of Reggio flour.

TO : Capo Compartimento-Naples Division
I.S.R.

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1. A report from R.T.C. Salerno dated 16 April, states that on or about that date, 9 cars of flour ex S. Giovanni for Reggio Calabria were detached from train 8013 at Salerno, and switched to team truck. The reason given to R.T.C. by I.S.R. officials was that pilferage was suspected.

2. This flour movement to Reggio Calabria has the highest priority and is required to move with the minimum of delay, in order to avoid the possibility of starvation in Southern Italy.

3. Considerable difficulties have been encountered in obtaining sufficient cars to load this flour and it is therefore of paramount importance that all concerned in handling the traffic be instructed to expedite it's movement in every possible way, and to avoid such incidents involving considerable delay, as the one referred to above.

4. Will you kindly deal with the matter and issue the necessary instructions please.

V.R. BOWERS
Major

Senior Transportation Offr.

Copy to: Movement Sec. I.S.R.
(Attn. Ing. Marinelli)
Joint Railway Control
Th. S.C. Movements Division-HQ. A.C.
APO 354-C.M.F.
Movements West Italy
Adjutant's File
S.T.C.'s File
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date 16/3/45

Ref.No.C.21.31.40218/45

From enquiries made, care of this Section about the delayed forwarding from Roma Tuscolana station of wagon 159160, loaded with empty sacks and about the removal from said wagon of eight packages, it resulted what follows:

The wagon was put at disposal in the tracks of the goods warehouse on 15-2-45, 15 hours, and the loading was completed at 16 hours, same day. On the following day, the 16th, 14 hrs., while marshalling train, the wagon was found unsealed. Therefore it was necessary to check up the contents, and to delay the forwarding owing to this reason.

The transport left, after that the checking up had been completed, with train O.L. 740253 at 4.45 on 18-2-45, Roma-Tiburtina towards, as for what refers to theft of 8 packages of goods, as per enclosed statement, it has not been possible to establish in what moment and under what circumstances this theft, that has been accomplished by unknown people, has taken place. Anyhow the crime has been reported to the P.S. authorities, in order to have enquiries made, and as soon as possible we will let you know the results. As for what refers to wagon's demourage at Tuscolana, from 16 hrs, of 15 until 14 hrs. of 16-2 inst. and from 14 hrs. of 16 until 5.45 of 18, after having heard the opinion of the local "Sezione Movimento" this Section has considered the demourage justified owing to the necessary marshalling operations of vehicles, and the inspection of said wagon.

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TO : Lt. O'Leary
A.C.C., Macao, Sicily,
Bari.

Transportation Sub-Commission
Allied Control Commission
C/o Movements B. Italy
Ref ACC/TH/BD/XVII/1.
Date 26 July 44.

SUBJECT : Wagon No 471245 - Coal (24 Tons).

Referring to telephone conversation this morning.
Wagon No 471245 with coal was despatched from Brindisi to Polignano on 3
June 44 under freight warrant no 2586.

On arrival at Polignano the Consorzio Agrario refused to accept
the consignment as it was not required by them. I understand that on
subsequent instructions from you the wagon was reconsigned to the Consorzio
Agrario at Trani, where it has now arrived. The Italian State Railway
are however claiming an amount of 30260 lire for 39 days demurrage incurred
at Polignano.

The consignee at Trani has produced a letter from you stating that
the consignment would be handed over to them by the railway without charges,
and in accordance with your request by telephone this morning the I.S.R. have
been instructed to this effect. The charges for demurrage will therefore be
included by the I.S.R. in their accounts to A.C.C.

I gather from your message that the wagon should originally have
been despatched from Brindisi to Palagiano, not Polignano.

In view of the large demurrage charges involved (30,260 lire) the
authorities will no doubt require to know:

- (a) Why the wagon was consigned to Polignano instead of Palagiano.
- (b) Why it was allowed to remain under load at Polignano from 9 June
(when it arrived) until 23 July (when it was reconsigned to Trani).

The freight warrant was issued by S. A. Baster for R.T.O. Brindisi

E. O'Leary
Capt.

Copy:

Transportation Sub-Commission
H.Q. A.C.C. (main) ✓

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For information

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