

Tales of Pantelleria & Lampedusa

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 194
Transportation - Sub-Commission

Tel. 476704

4 November 1944

Our ref. AO/TM/D/1

TO : Allied Commission
Sicilian Region.

SUBJECT : Schooners - Pantelleria

1 Receipt of your RBS 430/14 dated 26 Oct. 44, together with enclosure, is acknowledged.

2 Seeing that the monthly bid for Pantelleria is for 200 tons only, it does not seem satisfactory to allot two schooners of 90 tons, and it is not the Policy of A.P.M.C. to allot particular schooners.

3 If a more exact statement of the exact amount to be carried can be given, a case will be put up to A.P.M.C. for allotment of a single small schooner calculated to have a full time job.

4 Meanwhile your bids for carriage of specific goods should continue to be submitted in the normal way.

Ambs
Colonel, C.E.
Director, In. Sub-Comm.

TN S/C

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Subject: Fish for KUSA.

ALLIED VETER. ADMINISTRATION

G-4 (S-1) = 11/3/30/1/320

3 Nov 40

To: 1. HQ AF.

Ref: MEMORANDUM.

Reference is made (Nov 2 Pn) S/34-224 dated 20 Oct 40 copy to you.

- The matter was brought up at the 12345 Meeting held on 11 Oct 40, and a decision was given to the effect that there was no objection to the use of the Italian Trawler "VINCENZO J" for delivering fish from LAUSANNA to KUSA provided that this vessel was not required for work of higher priority.

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Copy to: 1. HQ AF
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1.5 A. Hale

H.A. HIRSH, J. Coast.,
for Brigadier,
D.C.M.C. (Nov 2 Pn)

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ALLIED VETER. ADMINISTRATION
A.C.C. 11/3/30/1/320

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ALLIED COMBAT COMMISSION
SICILIA - PORTALLERIA
AFM 334

302-47

FILE : 333 41/34.

24 October 1944.

SUBJECT : Portalleria - Portalleria.

TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission,
(for Transportation) Sub-Division.

(1). Reverts a copy of letter reference 33-75 dated
10 October 44. From Col. A. Portalleria.

(The original having not yet been delivered in
this office).

(2). It is hoped that selected commodities may be allocated
permanently to Portalleria for regular supplies in
substitution of those requested in this office letter
reference 33 41/34 dated 21 Oct.

For the Regional Commissioner

Handwritten signature
H. T. D. T.

Major,

Director, Logistics
& Supply Division.

Copy to:-

Col. T. J. D. T. ... Portalleria
File 33 41/34.

S/3.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PANTELLERIA

10 October 1944

CA-75

SUBJECT: Schooners for Supply and
Trade of Pantelleria.

TO: Shipping Officer, A.M.G.,
through the Regional Commissioner Region One.

FOR ATT.: Ministry of War Transport Representatives - Palermo
Comando Marittimo - Trapani.

1. In order to be sure of supplies from Sicily, it is
requested that two schooners:

- a. "FRANCESCO PIZZOLI" - 45 tons, owned by Francesco Pizzoli,
a resident of the island, and
- b. "S. I. G. A." - 45 tons, owned by Francesco Pizzoli,
a resident of the island; now in service of C.O.M.A.;

be allotted to this island.

2. If these schooners were re-allotted to this island,
it would:

- a. Save confusion and waste of time in visiting Sicily
to arrange monthly shipments;
- b. Continue essential trade in island produce.

There are at present no trading facilities save through
Allied Orders, and there is considerable trade to be done.

3. It is pointed out that the engines of both schooners
are "Captured Enemy Property" confiscated by C.M.A., Pantelleria
and are rented to the owners.

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E. S. ALLEN
Captain
C.M.A., Pantelleria

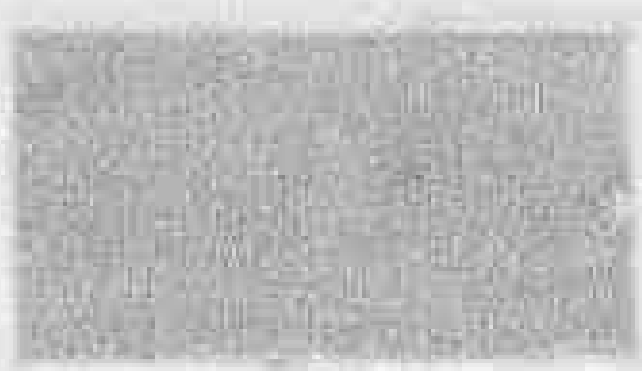
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E. S. ALLEN
Captain.

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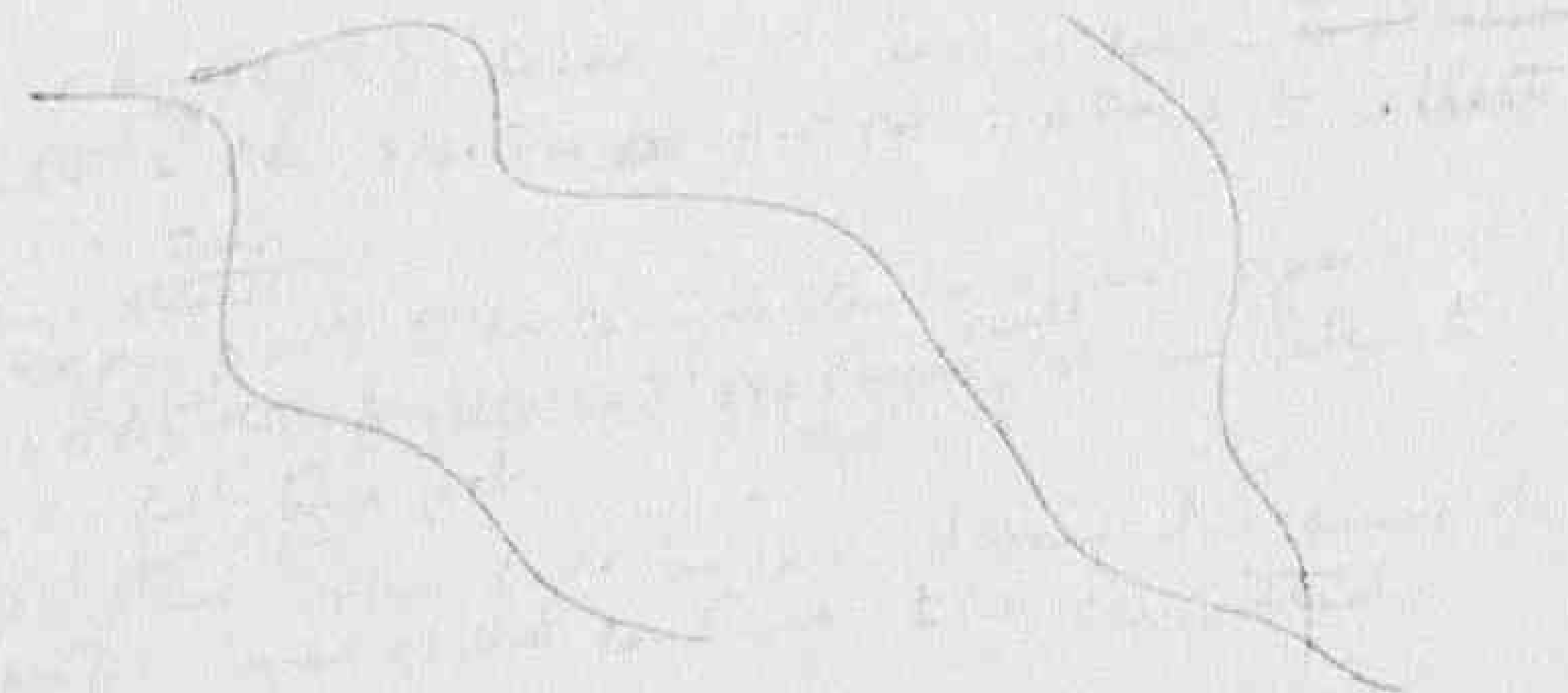
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Subject : RE COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN
US ISLANDS AND MILTA.

ALLIED ARMY HEADQUARTERS

G-1 (MOV & TR) 5/32/COM

7 Jul 45

Tel : FORTYONE 318

To : U.S. Allied Commission
in Italy Commission, S.M.R.

1. The attached correspondence is forwarded to you for information and action as necessary.

W. H. Hines

J. H. HINES, Lt.
for Brigadier,
D. G. H. G. (Mov & Tr)

JRM/KPS.

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OFFICE OF A.C. LIAISON OFFICER
PALERMO SICILY
APO 194

13 May 1945.

FILE: DMIS/10

SUBJECT: Communications with the ASD Islands and Malta.
TO: HQ, Allied Commission, APO 194

1. This office has long been receiving complaints from the ASD Officers stationed at Pantelleria and Lampedusa concerning difficulties of transportation and communication between these islands and Sicily. Mail is sometimes delayed as long as a month in going between these islands and Palermo. At present both mail and personnel are dependent on slow and irregular voyages of privately-owned motor schooners.

2. Officers on the island have no means under their own control to leave the islands nor to communicate with Sicily or Malta. An officer having occasion to visit either island for even the briefest duty could rarely go and return in less than two weeks. Indeed such a trip might require the greater part of a month. Absolutely no means of regular communication is available. A regular and reliable means of communication between the above-mentioned centers for the transport of Allied personnel, the supply of rations, and the carrying of mail and other messages is therefore urgently needed.

3. It is suggested that the possibility be explored of securing a small naval craft for this purpose. The vessel should preferably be manned by Allied personnel. In view of the fact that Malta is in British hands it would seem desirable that the boat be under Royal Navy control. If the craft were based in Malta it could easily touch all necessary ports at least once each week. The recommended trip (Malta-Lampedusa-Pantelleria-Porto-Emancipazione-Malta) could be made in four days and the remaining two or three days could be spent in Malta. The departure could be made from Malta on a regular weekly schedule unless an emergency called for a special trip to one or the other of the two islands. The Liaison Officer at Palermo should be given authority to call on the Naval Command at Malta for such exceptional trips when necessary.

4. If Allied Commission Headquarters approve of the plan, the Liaison Officer at Palermo would be willing to assume responsibility for working out its details. In order that the Naval Commander at Malta may know of the nature of this proposal (in case Allied Commission desires to consult Malta concerning its feasibility from Royal Navy's point of view) a copy of this letter is being mailed directly to Malta for information only.

(s) Edward Norton

Lt. Col. CG
A.C. Liaison Officer Palermo.

Copy to SOIC Malta for info.

NAVY

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

WFO/2524
31 May 1945.

FROM: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
TO: Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
Subject: Sea Communications Between IML Islands and MILTA.
Enclosure: (A) Copy of Allied Commission Liaison Officer PAL/380,
APO 394, letter PANT/10 of 18 May 1945.

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith, with the request that Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean consider the possibility of making a small naval vessel available as suggested in paragraph 3 thereof.

(2nd) 777777

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.
for CHIEF COMNAVFOR

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AC LIAISON OFFICER, PAL/380.

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
Mediterranean Station,
Allied Force Headquarters.
31st June, 1945.

Med. 13/55/4/12
WATER TRANSPORT
SMALL & TRANSPORT 3 (C)
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

BOAT FOR USE IN PANFILLERIA

With reference to the attached request from the Allied Commission Liaison Officer, Palermo, forwarded by the Navy Sub. Commission to the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, the duties for which this small craft is required do not warrant the employment of a naval vessel and it is therefore for consideration whether an R.A.S.C. Schooner working in the Redi Area could be allocated to include in a regular schedule the islands mentioned.

2. It is requested you will arrange any further details direct with the Navy Sub. Commission.

Yours faithfully

Rear Admiral
CHIEF OF STAFF

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

2-11254

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D.C.

FROM:

NAVY S/C.

CDSO TO MEXICO (S) VAM COMNAVANT BOZALI
AS LIAISON OFFICER, PALERMO

UNCLASSIFIED

1. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT MEXICO PLANS TO ALLOCATE S.B. LAMPTON FOR REGULAR
DUTY BETWEEN THAIPI, PATTELEWIA AND LAMPTON.
2. REQUEST THAT MEXICO ADVISE US OF ANY CHANGES THAT MAY BE MADE IN THE
PLANS AFTER RECEIVING BY LETTER NO. 2524 OF 11 MAY NOT TO MEXICO WHICH
FORWARDED AS LIAISON OFFICER PALERMO'S REQUEST FOR A VESSEL TO BE
ASSIGNED TO REGULAR TRIPS BETWEEN THE ISLANDS AND MEXICO AND MAIRA.

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Translation telegram N° 742 received from Harbour
Authorities, Liberia.

Reference telegram 157 of 13 inst. stop. Present possibilities loading Puzos stone on large steamers eighty tons per gang with a maximum of five hundred daily, which could be increased to about one thousand in near future following on repairs of craft used for loading and eventual return of absent port labourers.

Copy sent Lawrence S/e

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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FROM:

NAVY SUB COMMISSION

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YOUR 240901. ON RECEIPT OF YOUR REC/2524 DATED 31ST MAY, APPLICATION WAS
MADE TO THE LMC FOR AN RANG SCHEDULE. COPY OF LETTER IS BEING SENT.

271159Z JUNE

REF: MYING PLANS ALLOCATION OF U.S. LAMPREY.

REF: 1, 7, 10, 9, 22, 40, 12. ESTABLISHMENT NO. IN 4/C. L.C.

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ALLIED ARMS HEADQUARTERS

S.Y. BRUCE.

APR 11/1945/13/23(c).
Tel. Freedom 309 (2 rings)

SUBJECT: - Water Transport for Allied Commissions.

C-2 (Nov & Dec).

Attached correspondence received from Office of C-in-C MED, regarding the provision of a vessel for the use of Allied Commissions for regular duty between MALTA, LUSSEMBURG, ANTWERP, and PORTO ESPANOLA, is forwarded to you.

The following comments are made on the suggestion that a schooner operated by RASC should be allocated.

1. A.C. has its own schooner fleet.
2. RASC water transport units in CEF no longer have any HQs or detachments nearer to this area than either MALTA or the RML. It would therefore be quite impossible to arrange with any efficiency for either rationing, repair or accounting for such a vessel operating for an indefinite period in these waters. Nor would the RASC expert in charge of such a vessel be of much service to A.C. if he were permanently out of touch with his own unit.

It is suggested that whatever vessel is allocated for this duty should be based on MALTA.

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Major General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AMHQ/20

File : 12/BAC/18/Tn.3

10 June 45

SUBJECT : Future operations of S.S. "Lampedusa"

TO : AG. Liaison Officer Palermo

1. Reference your letter No. Post 11 dated 21 May '45.
2. Mediterranean Shipping Board has agreed that the S.S. "Lampedusa" will be allocated as soon as possible to her pre-war run between Trapani other islands of Pantalleria and Lampedusa.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

G. B. COMPTON
Major I.S.

COPIES TO :

- Navy S/O
- Shipping S/O
- MT Rome
- TSA Rome
- Radio Observer Control Board, Naples

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ALCOH WINE FOR ADOG

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Genetic code urgently needed for grape industry at PERTH/ALCOA. Understood
77 tons is expected to be delivered STOCKY on 15 MAY 1966. May 18 tons of this
shipment be allotted PERTH/ALCOA? High Commissioner has no objection.

END

ACTION: Industry S/O 2
INFO: A/President
Chief Commissioner
Secy Gen
To S/O 2
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OFFICE OF CHIEF OF DEFENSE DIVISION BOARD,
MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT
MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE
NAVY HOUSE
NAPLES

For Ref: Part 1.

13th May. 1945.

To: Headquarters ALGER APO 194
(Att. Transportation Sub-Commission).

Subject: Schooner Service to Pantelleria: "SARUHLI PAKE" & "CIDA"

A careful and comprehensive search of all records fails to reveal any feature likely to cause hardship or increased cost of living for the population of Pantelleria.

The position is clearly set out: that these two vessels registered in the U.S.S.R. Schooner Pool were allocated for consecutive voyages from the Island to Tripoli for account of A.M.G. Pantelleria.

The contentions contained in the A.M.G. letter of 25th March are not, therefore, understood in view of the above ruling, seeing that no expense accrues to A.M.G. Pantelleria outside the operating costs of the above vessels.

[Signature]
CHIEF DEFENSE DIVISION BOARD

OFFICE OF A.C. LIAISON OFFICER
PALERMO DISTRICT
APO 394

16 Apr 1945

FILE: PONI/4

SUBJECT: Bomber Service to Pantelleria

TO : Headquarters Alcoa APO 394
(Att: Transportation Subcommittee)

1. Attached herewith for appropriate action is letter CA-76/339 of 26 March 1945 from C.A.O. Pantelleria.

2. Letter HES 430/34 MCA of referred to in CAC's letter was sent to ARCHIVES Section on 27 March 1945. No information is available at this office regarding the background of this situation.

Edmund Norton

EDMUND NORTON

Lt Col. CR

A.C. Liaison Officer Palermo

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• H.Q., ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION - PALERMO.

FROM
Capt. G. F. FLETCHER, M.M.,
A.M.O., PASTORALIST.

1. Безопасность - защита информации

2. Your letter dated March 25, 1964 ref. #88 430/14 822/01, was received on March 25, 1964.

2. The information that the schoolbooks are not released is related to the several conversation on the subject, they were always referred to as having been released.

• The value of the correlation coefficient is:

b. Your letter states the College are authorized to maintain and control the schedule.
The Cincinnati College and Ohio are maintained by the owners and are listed with motor supplied by this office at home.

center is established here by this office and at Trenton by the
Comptrol Public.

One of the principal problems here is to prevent the rising of the water level.

Unearned payments to Cabela add to the cost of commodities now necessary.

The mere fact that food was claiming have to be treated as medicine, transported to the Island, not treated as medicine.

places the population at a disadvantage compared with Italy.

the principle of parity for a consideration only should not be followed as suggested by Mr. Justice.

7. A.M.D. continue participating with others in a political system to be considered.

In the several conversation on the subject, they were always referred to as having been released.

3. It is urgently requested that this position be reviewed.

4. Your letter states the DeJelle are authorized to maintain and control the schooner. The "Alfonso Padra" and "Olga" are maintained by the owners and are fitted with motors supplied by this office on hire.

Control is exercised here by this office and at Trapani by the Comandante Porto.

5. One of the difficult problems here is to prevent the rising of the cost of living.

Unearned payments to Colonna add to the cost of commodities unnecessarily.

The mere fact that food and clothing have to be loaded on ships, transported to the island, and unloaded and transported there,

Places the population at a disadvantage compared with the rest of Italy.

6. The principle of paying for a consideration only should not be abandoned.

7. A.V.G. controls Pantelleria and there is a political aspect to be considered.

8. It is unusual to have the lifeline to A.M.O. Territory controlled outside that territory by other than direct A.M.O..

9. The tranquility of the island depends on rationing and sea transport. Rationing is apparently no longer in Allied hands with unfortunate results, so far as P.O.L. is concerned.

10. Your para. 5 seems to be an invitation to meritorious correspondence - an invitation which is respectfully declined.

(a) Why? The less I have to say about sailing to convey the better. Major Dying agreed that the regulation, if there is one in force, is an absurdity in present circumstances.

(b) There was nothing vague about the excuse used to delay the sailing of the schooner. Documentary evidence has been sent to you.

11. It is hoped these points will be properly considered and submitted to higher authority with your recommendation for the release to A.M.O. Pantelleria of these schooners.

It is suggested that the exceptional service of these schooners really merits exceptional control.

G. FARRER, Capt.
S.O.A.O., Pantelleria.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
C/o Southern Region

TO : TN SUB COMMISSION
A.C. H.Q.

February 8th. 1945

Your reference: AC/550/8/Tn 3

Reference: Tn/5/136

SUBJECT : LAMPEDUSA SCHOONER SERVICE.

In reply to your letter of 5th. February, the following is a copy of letter sent to Palermo, replying to their RES.430/34 A:- (7)

"In reply to your letter of 28th. January, the m/v "Giuseppina B" No. 1759 of 28 tons Dwt., captain Palmisano Giuseppe, is re-allocated to the Lampedusa service."


Captain.
Tn. Sub Commission
Southern Region

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSIONS
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

2 February 1945

File :

Our ref.: AG/346/8/En 3

SUBJECT : Lampedusa Schooner Service

TO : Regional Commissioner Southern Region.

1. Reference is made to Sicilia Region's letter No. RE 450/34 dated 27 Jan '45 addressed to this Sub-Commission with copy to you.
2. Please inform this Sub-Commission by return as to the position of the M/V GIUSEPPINA B.

Herbert H. Taylor
HERBERT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

Copy for action let- Regional Transportation Officer,
for Capt. Smith.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
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FILE : RES 430/34 A. 27 January 1945.
SUBJECT : Lampedusa - Schooner Service.
TO : H.Q. Allied Commission
for Transportation Sub.Com. ✓

1. Reference is made to the allocation on 16 Jan 1945 of M/V 1183 IRENE in replacement of the M/V GIUSEPPINA B.

2. It is learned in this Office that Giuseppina B has now had adequate repairs done to her and is back in service having already performed one trip satisfactorily.

3. This Office wishes to be informed whether or not the Giuseppina B will now be re-assigned to the Lampedusa Service. We should also like to know for certain her CoDeRe Registered Number and Master's name for our records as there is some doubt on these points owing to the prevalence of similar and identical names among vessels in the Schooner Pool.

For the Regional Commissioner :-

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Handwritten signature: H. DRING
H. DRING.
Major,
Director, Economics
& Supply Division.

Copy to :- H.Q. T/M Sub-Com. C/O Southern Region A.C.
for Capt Smith (Schooner Control)

File RES 091.31/2/17 A.

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SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
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File: RES 430/34.

25 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Supplies Pantelleria.

TO : E.C. Allied Commission
for Transportation Sub-Com.

(1). The C.A.C. Pantelleria (AMG) in the course of a recent personal interview with the Regional Supply Officer again laid great stress on the absolute necessity of allocating more motor vessels to the island for consecutive voyages.

(2). Although a small stock pile of grain was built up in the summer of 1944 this is steadily being consumed due to the fact that the two schooners (Emmanuele Padre, 45 T, and Olga, 35 T) cannot cope under winter conditions with the civilian supply requirements.

(3). It is again strongly urged that immediate consideration be given to the problem.

(4). Attention was also called by the CAO to the Naval regulations recently enforced which are of a trespassing nature particularly during winter conditions since they require that schooners may only proceed in parties of three on the 1st 10th and 30th days of the month irrespective of weather which unfortunately cannot be disregarded by such small vessels.

(5). This matter also brooks no delay and it would be greatly appreciated if immediate further steps could be taken to press for a relaxation of these restrictions. This Office RES 091.31/2/12 dated 16 Nov 1944 refers.

For the Regional Commissioner is

Major,
Director, Economic
& Supply Division.

Copy to: File RES 091.31/2/12.

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An agreement has been made between the Government of Malta and the Italian Sub-Commission, A.C. Fisheries Div. whereby certain Italian/Italian fishing vessels are to operate around Lampedusa. They will then carry their catch direct to Malta where it will be unloaded under A.C. control for the supply of home.

The names of the vessels concerned are:-

1. Petriarola San Giuseppe
2. Nuova Maria
3. Adria Abela
4. Perseo

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A similar arrangement is in operation with "Fant'Andrea", fishing off Rome and loading her catch at Galle.

All you please agree on 10-10-51 that these vessels are not to be allowed in any way, so they are not cargo-carrying vessels, but bona-fide fishing vessels registered with the Captaincy of Porto, and operating for agriculture sub-commission A.C.

This letter is in confirmation of telephone call today (Capt. Andrea's office and signature speaking).

An agreement has been made between the Government of Bolivia and Agriculture Sub-Commission, U.S. Fisheries Div. whereby certain Italian/American fishing vessels are to operate around Iquitos. They will then carry their catch direct to Iquitos where it will be unloaded under U.S. control for the supply of food.

The names of the vessels concerned are:-

- 1. Patriarcha San Giuseppe
- 2. Nuova Maria
- 3. Italia Abate
- 4. Verano

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A similar arrangement is in operation with "Castro Andres", fishing off Potosi and landing her catch at Iquitos.

Will you please inform on CO-12-5A that these vessels are not to be admitted in any way, as they are not approved--they are, but some-time fishing vessels registered with the Capitania de Porto, and operating for Agriculture Sub-Commission U.S.

This letter is in confirmation of telephone call today (Capt. Smith/Major McClure speaking).

Robert H. Taylor
ROBERT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to 3 - 3 Section, AFM.
" Agriculture S/C., Fisheries Div.

OFFICE OF U.S. MARINE OFFICERS
NAVY - NAVY Hqs (USMC)
PACIFIC-20012

10/1/45

11 October 1945

Subject: U.S.S. "Lampoon",

U.S.S. 11th Fleet Commission, APC 194
(For Training Station 11th Fleet).

1. The above named vessel of 800 tons was built before the war to run a regular weekly passenger and goods service between Palermo, Trapani, Pantelleria, Lampedusa and Sicily. During the past three years this service has been suspended, but after numerous representations by this office, the Italian authorities and the Senate have expressed themselves ready to resume this service between Trapani, Pantelleria and Lampedusa, providing the necessary ship will be obtained from the Navy, Rome.

2. In writing this letter to you with a view to obtaining this permit, we would like to point out that the islands of Pantelleria (Pop. 10,000) and Lampedusa (Pop. 2,000) are extremely isolated and dependent on shipping winter weather, hence the problem of providing food and regular passenger service is very difficult.

3. The Italian Naval authorities at Trapani attempted to provide a tri-weekly service to Pantelleria by means of a minesweeper and a cargo vessel serving to Lampedusa by means of a small boat. But even under summer conditions this service failed to function smoothly and frequently the sailings had to be cancelled. As regards Lampedusa, one small schooner "Chimera" was assigned to this island for passengers and food but was unreliable and never satisfactory and has now completely broken down. Consequently all hope is now based on the rapid reopening of the service which would be provided by the U.S.S. "Lampoon". Please may the necessary authority be obtained as soon as possible.

W. H. C. Galt
W. H. C. GALT, Jr., Lt. Col.
U.S. N.O., 11011.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

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17 October 1950

SUBJECT: 1. Services ~~Transportation~~

TO: 1. Itasca/Comms. 2004
Via dei Castelli No. 3

1. Reference signal 1850 dated 14 July addressed to
Itasca/Comms. a copy of which was sent to you.

2. Please advise present position with regard to
"Itasca" and "Comms". It was understood that "Itasca"
would operate service from Itasca/Comms. as soon
as "Itasca" had completed repairs and could operate -
Itasca run.

3. Please investigate reasons for delay to completion
of repairs to "Itasca". A report received from A.C. Officer
in Itasca/Comms. indicates the need for an adequate service to
these islands. This should be established as quickly as possible
especially in view of the approach of the winter, as a schooner
is maintaining food supplies to Itasca/Comms. at present. An early
reply is requested.

For the Director:

L. Haama
L. P. LAMMA
Major A.C.

SHIRAZ COUNTY ROAD

TO: ATISOT

5 October 42

FROM: AL-ALFROGE

SUBJECT: Landmarks

FROM: A Road Sub-Commission

TO: Transportation and Commission

Attached is report of Road Sub-Commission.
Sampled for your information.

[Signature]
J. H. A. J. J. J.
Director, Road Sub-Commission

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S A I B A S I - Report Lampedusa

However this is not all--communications are unbelievably bad. The food is brought from Porto Lampedusa by means an antiquated schooner allocated to the island. This ship, which also takes passengers, is barely seaworthy and can only sail in the finest weather (the voyage sometimes takes as long as 50 hours) and as a consequence, a fair proportion of the grain and pasta invariably is ruined by sea-water. The only other means of communication is the monthly visit of an Italian mine-sweeper from Trapani. This is for passengers and mail only. However for a long time, these islands have been promised a re-opening of the regular pre-war passenger service, which consisted of a weekly visit by the 400 tons "S.M. Lampedusa". This ship has now been repaired and refitted, but instead of re-opening the Palermo, Pantelleria Lampedusa line, the owners put it into a temporary weekly service to Ustica. I would suggest that if this ship could be made immediately to entail a regular service between Palermo, Pantelleria and Lampedusa, the worst of the Alimentary problems of these islands would be solved. For many months, promises have been made to immediately re-open this service, but nothing further seems to happen!

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5/1 LAMPEDUSA = Palermo Ustica run

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Ref: 15

31 July 1963

Ref: 15-7/5/1000

SUBJECT: Sea transportation from Australia

TO: Mr. A. Transportation

1. Refer our letter 15-7/11/1000 of 21 July and 15-7/13/1000 of 21 July.

2. May we have a reply, please.

R. J. ...

Colonel

Director, Port Sub-Commission

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

KJG/el

To: SAC

24 July 48

Re: 51-7/114/FOOD

SUBJECT: Sea Transportation from Lampedusa

FROM : Food S.C.

TO : Hq. AC Transportation S/P

1. Refer our letter 51-7/114/FOOD of 13 July.
2. May we have a reply?

[Signature]
F. J. LKGG
Colonel

Director, Food Sub-Commission

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

AJP:ad

Tel : 456

13 July 1943

Ref : 61-7/1.4/Food

SUBJECT : Sea transportation from Madagascar

TO : 1. Hq. AG Transportation S/A

1. Enclosed is translation of letter from Mr. [redacted] dated 6 July received from Ministry of Food concerning a request from the Chamber of Commerce Agricole for permission to ship wheat from Madagascar to Rome.

2. From a food angle we approve the movement. Please advise us whether the movement can be carried out as a transportation point of view.

AJP:ad

Original

Director, Food Sub-Commission

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Ministère de l'Alimentation

Rome 2/7/49

Prot. 2820

To A.G. Rome, etc.

Subject: Request to ship from Lampedusa, filtered
mackerel in oil.

As Lampedusa is A.M.S. Territory we give herewith text
of cable received from the Chamber of Commerce Agrigento,
requesting permission to ship from Lampedusa in their own
vessels fish preserved in oil, to Rome and Naples.

"Request you cable permission to load at Lampedusa in their own
vessels a special case.
Ditta Vigna & Figli request 100 gils of filtered mackerel
in oil for Rome.

Ditta Polignone De Mattia request 100 gils of filtered mack-
erel in oil for Rome and 100 gils for Naples. Names of dispo-
sable ports will follow. Commissioner of Chamber of Commerce
Agrigento.

Please inform us of your decisions

THE MINISTER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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AC/550/27/Tn.3

13 November 1945

SUBJECT : Sailings to Pantelleria-Lampedusa and Ustica.

TO : CO.GB.NA. (Itmare)
Via Cestari 3 Roma

1. Reference correspondence on the subject of services to be operated to these islands, terminating with our AC/550/25/Tn.3 of 3 November.

2. Please press for the speedy completion of repairs to SS "Ustica" and report to this HQ immediately the services Trapani - Pantelleria - Lampedusa and Palermo - Ustica are again operating with the vessels normally maintaining these services.

For the Director :

M.P. Laraman
M.P. LARAMAN
Major R.E.

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SUBJECT: Report on Pantelleria and Lampedusa

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 194
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AQ/550/25/Tn.3

9 November 1945

SUBJECT : Temporary Schooner Service Pantelleria and
Lampedusa.

TO : Catania (Itmare)
Via dei Cantari No. 3 Roma

1. Reference your signal 505; Bis (priority "Urgentissimo") dated 24 October and your 5399 of the same date.

2. Please advise whether a reply has been received from Palermo and the type and capacity of the schooners it is proposed to use during the period the SS "Lampedusa" is unable to maintain this service.

3. In view of the approach of the bad weather, it is important that this service should be maintained by the vessels normally on the run.

For the Director :

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Major R.E.

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 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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 TRANSPORTATION Sub-Commission
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26 October 1945

Tel : 534

AC/5950/31/Tn)

SUBJECT : Services to islands per se "Impedance" and as "Detention"

TO : AG Liaison Officer Sleilly

1. Reference your AC/8/POI of 17 October.

2. The sole reason for the delay to as "Impedance" not operating the service Trepur - Anttelleria - Impedance is the length of time needed for repairs to as "Detention". This vessel is now undergoing major repairs to her main engine, which are expected to take until 20 Nov.

3. Every effort is being made to hasten her repairs, but they are dependent upon deckyard facilities in Palermo, which are controlled by US Navy. Emergency repairs to enable her to resume service for a short while are not considered advisable.

4. When "Detention" resumes sailing she will operate the Palermo - Detention run and as "Impedance" the service Trepur - Anttelleria - Impedance.

5. In the meantime the Ministry of Marine (CO-02-NA) have asked the owners of as "Detention" to provide the necessary to undertake sailing to

2. The sole reason for the delay to an "Lampadusa" not operating the service Trapani - Pantelleria - Lampadusa is the length of time needed for repairs to the "Justice". This vessel is now undergoing major repairs to her main engine, which are expected to take until 20 Nov.

3. Every effort is being made to hasten her repairs, but they are dependent upon dockyard facilities in Palermo, which are controlled by the Navy. Emergency repairs to enable her to resume service for a short while are not considered advisable.

4. When "Justice" resumes sailings she will operate the Palermo - Justice run and an "Lampadusa" the service Trapani - Pantelleria - Lampadusa.

5. In the meantime the Ministry of Marine (CO-02-NA) have asked the owners of an "Justice" to provide suitable submersible to undertake sailings to Pantelleria and Lampadusa, whilst that vessel is under repair.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE

H. P. LARSEN
H. P. LARSEN, R.N.
Major R.N.

Copy to: Ministry of Marine
(CO-02-NA/Itmare)

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COMISSAO DESENVOLVIMENTO
CO. S. T.
União Brasileira

17/11

Our ref. :

Rome, 24 October 1945

SUBJECT : Services to Lampedusa

CC : H.I.D., Rome - Transportation S/O.
Movements Div. - Shipping Branch
Attn : Maj. M.R. Luskman, R.I.C.

1. Further to our Letter 5195 dated 23 October,
subject as above.

2. Reference to para 2 of R/S letter, copy of
cable received from Centre of E.E. USTICA is attached
herewith for your information.

By Order of the President:

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PRESIDENZA COORNA

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COMITATO ORIZZONE NAVI
CO. SE. NA.
Ufficio Presidenza

ATM/34

Our ref.: 7195

Roma, 23 October 1945

SUBJECT: Services to Lampedusa

TO : HQ.AO., Rome - Transportation S/O.
Movements Div. - Shipping Branch
Attn: Maj. M.P. Laraman, S.E.

1. Reference your letter AO/550/20/In 1 dated 17 October, subject as above.

2. We are informed that U.S. USTICA is at present undergoing major repairs to her main engine.

3. Date of completion of such repairs is not known as yet being subject to availability of shipyard facilities controlled, at Palermo, by U.S. Navy.

4. Emergency repairs might enable USTICA to resume service in a short time, but such action has not been considered advisable since the It. Registry Surveyors would not be able to grant the ship a passenger carrying certificate but only a temporary one for cargo service which would prove unsuitable for the particular requirements of the Islands. Moreover this temporary certificate would only last for three months after which the necessary major repairs would be no longer delayed.

5. A cable asking for further details has been sent to the ship's Owners at Palermo and as soon the reply is received the information will be passed to you.

By Order of the President:

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Tel. 534

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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AO/550/38/Ta.3

1 January 1946

SUBJECT : November Report on Sicily by AO Liaison Officer.

TO : Economic Section.

1. Reference para 10 of November Monthly Report by AO LC Sicily.

2. The report exaggerates the situation. Due to SS "Ustica" having to undergo repairs, the services to the islands have had to be curtailed. Temporary measures have been taken by the Ministry of Marine, but they are not able to provide adequate arrangements pending the repairs to SS "Ustica" which is now in Palermo. The alternative shipping is not available.

3. The repair facilities in Palermo were returned to Italian control on 15 December by US Navy, but repair works will not be possible until materials have been brought to dock repair sheds. In the meantime, a priority has been given to repairs to vessel mentioned.

4. Schooners, landing craft and SS "Lampedusa" are maintaining services to islands. An augmented service will commence on 2 January with SS "Lampedusa" maintaining the following sailings during the month.

Palermo-Ustica - 1 trips
" - Trapani - 2 trips
Trapani-Pantelleria
Liposa-Trapani-Palermo - 2 trips

For the Director :

[Signature]
M.I. LAPANAN
Major R.E.

Ref. 314

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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Our Ref :- AG/ 350/36/Tn.3.

27 December 1945

SUBJECT :- Sailings to Lampedusa etc.

TO :- COMNAV
Via dei Centari, 3 - Rome

1. Reference your 7315 of 19 December and conversation 14 December (Larman-Barona spoke).

2. Please note AG 10 for Sicily reported today bunker coal has been arranged (100 tons for December and 200 tons for January). Therefore it is essential for the augmented services to commence forthwith. Please advise when this will be possible.

3. The repairs to SS "Ustica" should be commenced without delay and you are requested to take every possible step to assist these being completed with least delay. Priority should be given to this vessel, as it is understood repairs needed are minor ones and the need for those services is obvious.

For the Director :-

[Signature]
R.P. LARMAN
Major R.I.

Copy to :- Ministry of Marine Affs. Generale della Marina Merc
AG 10 Sicily, c/o USN Palermo.

COMITATO GENTILEZZA NAUTICA
CC. GE. NA.
Ufficio Presidenza

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Our ref. : 4315

Rome, 19 December 1945

SUBJECT : Shippings to Lampedusa
and Linosa.

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Transportation & Shipping S/C.
Attn : Maj. M.F. Laraman, S.E.

1. Reference is made to previous correspondence and today's telephone conversation on subject matter.

2. In order to relieve temporarily the situation of the services between the a/m islands, pending the completion of repairs of S/S. "Ustica", arrangements had been made to the effect that S/S. "Lampedusa" - now engaged exclusively on the Palermo-Linosa run - could be used also as a substitute for the "Ustica".

3. The following tentative schedule was submitted by the "Societa Meridionale di Navigazione", contractors of both ferry services:

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b) Palermo-Trapani	1 trip (22)
c) Trapani-Pantelleria-Linosa-Trapani-Palermo	1 round trip

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| (D) | 3 | 3-22 |
| (E) | 4 | 4-13-18-28 |

4. An additional allocation of about 200 tons of burning coal is therefore necessary if sufficient have to be obtained up to the 31st January as per above schedule.

5. The Ministry of Industry, duly apprised on the matter, states that at present no extra allocation can be made up to the unavailability of the required quantity.

5. In view of the often requested necessity of providing these Islands with the requested ferry services, your kind assistance for the procurement of the necessary coal would be greatly appreciated.

By Order of the President:

Cal McCullum 159,51 - 10-10-15 last
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 194

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Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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12 December 1945

Subject: Islands of Pantelleria and Lampedusa.

TO: Direzione Generale della Marina Mercantile
Ministero della Marina - Rome

1. The following points have been taken from a report forwarded to the Chief Commissioner by the Allied Commission's Liaison Officer in Sicily regarding these islands. This information is brought to your notice for any action that you may deem necessary.

re pat 2. Pantelleria: The report considers that salvage work should be commenced.

3. Lampedusa: The firms of Consiglio Vincenzo of Porto Empedocle have an outstanding claim for about 2 million lire for transportation of food from Agrigento to Lampedusa.

4. It is reported that there is much salvageable material on the island in tyres, motor-car bodies etc., all of which are useless to the people of Lampedusa, but which could be of use in Sicily. It should be possible to save some of this material, if it can be handled with ease.

5. There are also 4 sunken vessels in the harbour. One of them a tug which is not seriously damaged. All these vessels, the report states, could be salvaged.

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For the Director:

[Signature]
L.P. LAMARCA
Major, R.N.

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Ref. 534 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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6 December 1943

AC/550/32/Tn.3

SUBJECT: Report on Pantelleria and Lampedusa.

TO: Executive Commissioner
Through Economic Section, Supply Group (2 copies).

1. Reference 28/3.01 of 6 November and reports on conditions in the islands of Pantelleria and Lampedusa.

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- SS "Ustica" - Palermo-Ustica

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The 3 points affecting the Ministry of Marine (para 70 Pentellaria, para 6 and 11b Lampedusa) have been brought to the notice of the Ministry of Marine.

P. D. G. Buchanan
P. D. G. BUCHANAN
Colonel,
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 194
Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission

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Tel : 534

5 December 1945

AG/590/28/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Shippings to Lampedusa and Linosa

TO : CG-SE-RA, Via dei Costari 3, Rome

1. Reference AG/590/27/Tn 3 of 13 November and to telegram addressed in the name of the population of Lampedusa and Linosa to Ministry of Marine amongst others.
2. According to information obtained today by this HQ from RIM Liaison Officer (Capt. Gaddi) in Palermo, the ss "Ustica" is still under repairs in Palermo and is not likely to be ready for approximately one month. It is understood that the repairs to this vessel, which are minor ones, have now been suspended.
3. This vessel has not been on service for a considerable time and she has been undergoing repairs for months. In view of the poor services maintained between these Islands will you please advise what alternative shipping can be provided in response to our several communications on this subject. It is essential to assist these Islands, especially as the continued delays to the "Ustica" make the situation more serious.

R. J. Buchanan
R.J.C. BUCHANAN, Col.
Director

Copy to : Direzione Generale della
Marina Mercantile,
Ministero Marine.
Rome

AG LIAISON OFFICER a/o NOS PALERMO

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9 DECEMBER 1945

PRIORITY

UNCLASSIFIED PD

PARA ONE PD VESSEL USTICA HAS BEEN UNDER REPAIRS IN PALERMO FOR CONSIDERABLE TIME PD

PARA TWO AG LIAISON OFFICER CHARLES SLATT HAS BEEN BAKEN
PALERMO FROM NO LONGER SITS AGENT PARAN

ESSENTIAL REPAIRS ARE COMPLETED TOGETHER AS VESSEL NEEDED FOR SERVICE TO USTICA IN PLACE OF LAMPEDUSA NOW OPERATING THIS SERVICE PD REPORT EXPECTED DATE OF READINESS OF USTICA AND REASONS FOR DELAY PD WHEN USTICA IS REPAIRED VESSEL LAMPEDUSA WILL MAINTAIN SERVICE TO ISLAND OF LAMPEDUSA PD

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G.J. LOCH
CWO U.S.A.
ASST. ADJUTANT

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P. 16.434/08

Subject: Communication with Lampedusa and Linosa.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission.

ATT

Copy and translation of telegram n. 453375 is enclosed for your information concerning of transport situation to the islands of Lampedusa and Linosa.

Col. H. H. SCOTT
Colonel, Sig. O.
Director.

1st December 1945

Enc. : Copy and translation of telegram.

Communications Sub-Commission
Rita. 444.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

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12/10/43

FROM: ALDORE ROMA

RAIORDATO SOSTENUTE INSISTENZE DA AUTORITA LOCALI VINCOLA QUEST' ISOLA VIN DAL GIUGNO 1943 DOPO STATE PRIVE REGOLARI SEDEI COMUNICAZIONI CON SICILIA PUNTO POPOLAZIONE SI EST ASSOCIATA A GRAVI RISCHI ET PRIVAZIONI VINCOLA ESSENDO STATA COSTRETTA FIVERE CON SOLI GENERI RAZIONATI RISPETTANDO IN MODO PARTICOLARE LA MANCANZA DI POSTA VINCOLA CHE ARRIVA SU SARI VELEI DI PORTIERA QUALI PICCOLI VELIERI ET MOTORSCHECCHE PRIVI CARBONE ET LOCALI SOTTO COPERTA VINCOLA ASSOLUTAMENTE INADATTI AL TRASPORTO PASSEGGERI INFERLANDO CON TRAVERSATA MARE RUOMO CINQUE TRENTA ORE DI NAVIGAZIONE VINCOLA SALVO AVARIE CHE POTREBBE SEVERI A RIMANERE PER GIORNI IN BALIA DELLE ONDE PUNTO UNICO PUNTO MAREO MILITARI ASSERVATOCI NECESSITAMENTE CON PRESENZA DA TRAPANI NON TRASPORTA NE POSTA NE VIVERI ET MANCA DA OLTRE QUARANTA GIORNI PUNTO MOTORSCHECCHE ADDETTO TRASPORTO VIVERI ET POSTA MANCA DA TRENTALINQUE GIORNI NONOSTANTE ESSENDO PERSEVERENTE PUNTO PENSANDO PACIFICO MOTO PERCHÉ QUESTE ISOLE LONTANE DA MADREPATRIA CON REGOLARE SERVIZI POSTALI COMMERCIALI SETTIMANALI RISPINTANDO CHE PANTELLERIA LINEA TRAPANI ISOLE EGARI PANTELLERIA AUTOMIO PUNTO INFINDELE ARRONERI SIA PER APPROVVIGI NASCENTO ALIMENTARI SIA PERCHÉ COSTITUISSE PUNTO PIU VICINO AT SICILIA SIA PERCHÉ SI RENTREBBERO PIU RAPIDAMENTE CONTATTO CON AUTORITA CAPOLOMPO PROVINCIA PUNTO DA AUT RITA SICILIA VIENE PRESUNTO CHE TALE SERVIZIO VERREBBE PUNTO RISPINTANDO CON PUNTOCAI DENOMINATO LAMPEDUSA DELLA SOCIETA MERITIMALE PRONTO AT NAVIGAZIONE PUNTO OVE PER RAGIONE CHE NOI SCONGIUNTE TALE SERVIZIO NON POTREBBE ESSERE SUBITO RISPINTANDO ISTITUIRE PUNTO+ RASSEMBLE ET CON UNIFORME UN SERVIZIO AEREO SETTIMANALE PER ORNENDO QUESTA ISOLA DI SERVIZIO CARICO DI ATTERRAGGIO PUNTO PUNTOLOSI CHE ELLEK 7 A M E LA SE LE COMPETENTE DELLO STATO RISPINTANDO IN CUI VERBA PUNTA POPOLAZIONE ROLLANO AL PIU PROSSIMO COME- DERE QUANTO CREDENDO VINCOLA CHIEDENDO ADDOLGHE ANCHE NOME POPOLAZIONE LAMPEDUSA ET LINGUA ESPRESSIONE VINCOLA NOSTRA DEVEA RISPINTANDO PUNTO PRESENTE TELEGRAMMA DIRETTI 3 A M L'INOTTEGGERE ESSO VINCOLA CAV GOVERNO VINCOLA MINISTERO MARINA MORGAN- TILI VINCOLA AL COM ROMA ET PER CONSO ALDORE PALERO ALDO CONSIGLARIO PALERO ET PRE- FETTO ARRIGATO PUNTO POPOLAZIONE DOTT DEMONIO BRIGIONE CAV UFF VINCENZO DI RAGGIO GILDO VINCENZO BORGENTINO ALBERTO BRIGIONE GIUSEPPE BORGENTINO SUSETTA GIOVANNI BORGENTINO FERNANDO BORGENTINO GIOVANNI MARINO LUIGI CASANO GIACOMO POLICARDI SALVATORE.

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TELEGRAM TRANSLATION

AUTHORITY: CONTINUED PRESSURE FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES, THIS ISLAND SINCE JUNE 1943 HAS BEEN WITHOUT REGULAR MEANS OF COMMUNICATION WITH SICILY. POPULATION IS SUBMITTED TO SERIOUS DISCOMFORT AND PRIVATIONS, HAVING BEEN OBLIGED TO LIVE ONLY ON RATIONED FOOD STUFFS DUE TO THE NON EXISTENCE OF A REGULAR COMMERCIAL LINE. THE LACK OF MAIL IS PARTICULARLY FELT, WHICH ARRIVES RARELY BY SUCH CHANCE MEANS AS SMALL SCHOONERS AND FISHING BOATS WITHOUT CANNES AND ONLY THEN A COMMODATION, ABSOLUTELY INADEQUATE FOR TRANSPORT OF PASSENGERS TAKING FOR THE CROSSING ONE CANAL AREA ABOUT 30 HOURS OF NAVIGATION, IF NO DAMAGE OCCURS WHICH WOULD STOP THEM FOR DAYS TO THE HURT OF THE C.A.A. ONLY SMALL MILITARY MEANS ASSIGNED TO IN MONTHLY DEPARTING FROM TRAPANI WHICH DOES NOT TRANSPORT EITHER MAIL OR PASSENGERS AND HAS BEEN MISSING FOR OVER 40 DAYS, LEAVING WITHIN MOST ASSIGNED FOR TRANSPORT OF MAIL AND PASSENGERS HAS BEEN MISSING FOR 30 DAYS WITHOUT REASONING GOOD REASON, THEREFORE WE DRAW ATTENTION TO THAT THESE ISLANDS FAR AWAY FROM THE PENINSULAR BE CONNECTED WITH REGULAR WEEKLY POSTAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES RE-ESTABLISHING AS PANTHERIA LINE TRAPANI ISLAND ISLANDS PANTHERIA PORT PORTO EMERSONE APPROXIMATELY BOTH FOR SUPPLIES OF PASSENGERS AND BECAUSE IT CONSTITUTES NEAREST POINT TO SICILY AND ALSO BECAUSE IT WOULD PUT IN MORE RAPID CONTACT WITH AUTHORITIES OF PROVINCE'S CAPITAL TOWN.

AT AUTHORITIES IN SICILY IT HAS BEEN PROMISED THAT SUCH SERVICE SHOULD BE SOON RE-ESTABLISHED BY A LINE OF REGULAR SCHEDULED TRIPS TO RAIL SAIL. FOR REASONING UNKNOWN TO US IF SUCH SERVICE WOULD BE INSTITUTED IN THIS ISLAND HAS A REGULAR LANDING FIELD. TRUSTING THAT BEING IMPROVED OF THE MISERABLE STATE IN WHICH THIS POPULATION FIND THEMSELVES YOU WILL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE GRANT THAT WE HAVE BEEN ASKED FOR WE ARE YOU TO ACCEPT ALSO IN THE NAME OF THE POPULATION OF LAMPEDUSA AND LINOSA THE EXPRESSION OF OUR SINCERE AND DEVOTED GRATITUDE. PRESENT TELEGRAM DIRECTED TO HIS ROYAL HI HIGHNESS LIQUORICENTS OF THE REAM, CHIEF OF THE GOVERNMENT, MINISTRY OF MERCHANT MARINE, ALON ROME, AND FOR INFORMATION ALON PATERNO, HIGH COMMISSIONER PATERNO, AND PROSPER AGRIERGO. POPULATION DIST INNOCENTO BRIGONE CAT UFF VINCENZO DI MARINO GELASO VINCENZO SORRENTINO ALBERTO BRIGONE GIUSEPPE GREGGIO SORRENTINO GIOVANNI SORRENTINO FERDINANDO SORRENTINO GIOVANNI MARINO LUIGI CASANO CLAUDIO POLICARPO SALVATORE

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 To: Lampedusa Only for you

To: Mr. Prince Edward of Wales
 Ferruccio Parri - Head of
 the Government - Rome
 Minister of Merchant Navy - Rome
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 Prefect of Lampedusa
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ACTION: Supply

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In spite of repeated statements from the local authorities, there have been without regular means of communication with Sicily since June 1943. Population is subject to various hardships and privations, the people are obliged to live on only rationed food, through lack of a regular commercial line; the lack of postal correspondence is particularly felt which only arrives at long intervals. The islands are obliged to venture on rare and dangerous trips such as small sailing ships or fishing boats without means of communication, which are absolutely unavailable for the transportation of passengers, so they have more than thirty hours to cross the sea when it is calm, and if anything goes wrong, they are likely to take days to get across to the mainland. The only small military ship allotted to us with weekly departure from Sardinia carries neither post nor food and has not touched Lampedusa for over 10 days. The fishing boat used for transporting food and coal has a range of 35 days over sea although the weather has been fine. We therefore express the desire that these islands be in direct contact with the mainland by regular weekly postal and commercial service, giving the pre-war lines - Sardinia - Lampedusa - Sicily and Pantelleria. Police Islands - Sardinia and coast, over the island that the port of Lampedusa is necessary for supplying food as it is the nearest place to Sicily as well as it would let us get in touch with rapidly, with authorities in the province. Allied authorities in Sicily have promised that mail service could soon be resumed by a steamer called Lampedusa belonging to the "La Veridical" Company, ready for navigation. If for reasons not known to us said service could not be immediately resumed we beg you to instruct to temporarily and immediately a weekly air service as this island has a regular landing field as trust that you will

take pity of the miserable state of the population of these islands and that you will also grant our request, we beg you to receive the fervent thanks of the population of Lampedusa, and Lipari. Copy of this telegram is being sent to the Merchant Navy in U.S. in love and for information to A.C. of Palermo, High Commissioner of Palermo and Prefect of Lampedusa.

Signed on behalf of the population of

Domenico Arignone
Vincenzo di Vito
Fernando Corbelli
Vincenzo Valera
Giuseppe Arignone
Giovanni Muscatella
etc. etc. etc.



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