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Port of Naples

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MEETING HELD AT NAPLES HQ. PMSC ON 11th FEBRUARY 1946

To consider the future operation of the port.

1. Col Sarti, on behalf of the Italian Delegation, after having furnished details as to the anticipated traffic movements in the zones previously handed over Italian Control requested that the following further accommodation be allocated to them:-

- a) the quays commencing from the Sausan pier to the Vittorio Emanuele pier, inclusive.
- b) the Villa del Popolo quay (on which the silos are situated)
- c) at least one hundred meters of the Beverello quay, from the Cavalli pier end, in order to deal with the bulk of Naples passenger traffic.

2. After lengthy discussion, the following was obtained:-

- a) return of the Villa del Popolo quay and the Piscare mole.
- b) return of the Beverello quay as from 1st March.
- c) probable return of the Piliere quay.
- d) authority to carry out repair work at the Vittorio Emanuele pier but same to remain still under British Control.

Rome 13th February 1946

Major Laramie

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TO: SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

TO: DIRECTOR  
OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
FROM: SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

1. The information is being furnished to you for your information only. It is requested that you do not disseminate this information outside of the group.
2. This meeting will be held in the [Illegible] room at the [Illegible] location, [Illegible] at 1500 hrs on [Illegible]. It will be held in the [Illegible] room at 1500 hrs on [Illegible]. It will be held in the [Illegible] room at 1500 hrs on [Illegible].
3. The meeting will consider the following points:
  - (a) [Illegible]
  - (b) [Illegible]
  - (c) [Illegible]
  - (d) [Illegible]
4. [Illegible]

1. The US administration has planning to visits shortly their area to the port of Hanoi. It is proposed to hold a meeting to consider the future operations of the port.

2. This meeting will be held in the Conference Room at 14100 Southeast Boulevard, Hanoi, at 1300 hrs on Monday, 11 Feb 68 under the joint auspices of USMAG (1) 48th and representatives of the PDR.

3. The meeting will consider the following points:

- (a) Installation of arms and berths as self-sufficient and self-sufficient as a result of US withdrawal.
- (b) Mutual arrangements for control of the port including handling of residual US traffic.
- (c) Transfer of port equipment.
- (d) Submission of Italian report for reclassification of port of Hanoi.
- (e) Other major points affecting the working of the port of Hanoi.

4. Arrangements will have additional points for the agenda should forward them, if necessary by telephone, to reach this HQ by 10 Feb 68.

5. It is requested that the Italian Commission arrange for the attendance of a representative of the Italian Ministry of Marine.

*Proposed by*

T. L. MULLER, Lt. Col.  
for Brigadier (1) 48th.

TLM/DM

Copies to: 2X 48th  
1X 48th (1)  
1X 48th (1)

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Message Centre No: 4/0054  
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FROM: AFHQ GITE PnsBm SIGNED SAGMED  
TO: PENSOUTH HQV NAPLES ALCOM DISTRICT IN MAIN ROOM  
INFO: FENBASE

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1. III meeting will be held 1500 HRS Monday 11 February in PENSOUTH conference room Naples under joint chairmanship DQSB (M) AFHQ and HEP CG PDS to discuss operation of part of Naples during and subsequent to us withdrawal. Request you be represented.
2. Letter with agenda and details follows.

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INTER-ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 77A

Transportation & Shipping Sub-Committee

21  
April

File: 534

7 February 1946

AC/ST/TL/Sm.3.

SUBJECT: Italian Area, Port of Naples

TO: Direzione Generale delle Marine Mercantili  
Ministero delle Marine, Rome.

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1. Reference your TL57/G.11 of 12 December '45.
2. Various points in Col. Lauricello's report were taken up with AFHQ and it is now intimated by that HQ that the 21 authorities are planning to reconstitute the majority of their area in the port of Naples in the near future. It is proposed to hold a meeting shortly to consider the reallocation of berths in the port in the light of reduced US and additional British commitments. It is considered that as a result of this reallocation most of the difficulties mentioned in the report can be overcome, and that a larger and more compact area, with rail-served berths, can be allocated to civilian operation.
3. This meeting will also consider the transfer of port equipment and other major points affecting the working of the port of Naples.
4. The following interim comments have been made by AFHQ on the report:-
  - (a) The port of Reggoli was returned to civil control on 9 January.
  - (b) Berths Y, Z, 36 and 36A are within the Italian Section of the port and are not used by the British authorities.
  - (c) AFHQ states that it was agreed in September 1945, when the division of the port was arranged, that when the civilian requirements covered the capacity of the civilian port, the military sections of the port could be used by local arrangement.
  - (d) No instructions concerning escorts for trucks have been issued by either the British or US port authorities to the Italian Capitano di Porto.
  - (e) There are no known arrangements for the final disposal of Allied port equipment to a "private enterprise".
 The procedure for making over British equipment at ports is that the (AFHQ) estimates and lists the gear and plant that will be required in each Italian port for its civil operation when military control is removed. These lists - covering Pa, Ord, PL, M.C. and other items - are then submitted to AFHQ and AFHQ's comments are then submitted to the Italian authorities.

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This meeting will also consider the transfer of port equipment and other major points affecting the working of the port of Naples.

The following interim comments have been made by AFN, on the report:-

- (a) The port of Napoli was returned to civil control on 7 January.
- (b) Berths 21, 26 and 26A are within the Italian Section of the port and are not used by the British authorities.
- (c) AFN state that it was agreed in September 1945, when the division of the port was arranged, that when the civilian requirements exceed the capacity of the civilian port, the military sections of the port could be used by local arrangement.
- (d) No instructions concerning exercise for trucks have been issued by either the British or US port authorities to the Italian Capitanato di Porto.
- (e) There are no known arrangements for the final disposal of Allied port equipment to a "private enterprise".
- (f) The procedures for making over British equipment at ports in the Th(He) estimates and lists the gear and plant that will be required in each Italian port for its civil operation when military control is removed.
- (g) These lists - covering Pt. Ord. 22, 22A, 22B and 22C items - are then submitted to AG Port and Warhouse Division for scrutiny, comment and approval. The agreed lists, described as "Port Disposal Project", are then submitted to Th, War Office, for approval. When this approval is received in respect of equipment at Naples, it is intended to arrange disposal of all plant, cargo handling gear and essential maintenance items as fixed assets.
- (h) The present status of disposal of US equipment will be outlined at the meeting mentioned above.

(e) At Torre del Greco 247 Motor Boat Coy have requisitioned a shipyard for repair of craft. It also keeps half of Boat Quay clear for its own use, but always allows civilian ships to berth there on request.

The date of the proposed meeting will be notified in due course to this HQ and these points may then be reviewed.

For the Director

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
R.F. Lamberton,  
Major, R.E.

Copy to : Ports & Warhouse Division.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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Tele FREEDOM 393

2 Feb 46.

SUBJECT: Italian Area, Port of NAPLES  
TO: HQ Allied Commission, ITALY.  
(for Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission)

Your <sup>1040. 16</sup> AG/571/16 Tns dated 9 Jan 46.

1. The US authorities are planning to vacate the majority of their area in the port of NAPLES in the near future. It is proposed to hold a meeting shortly to consider the reallocation of berths in the port in the light of reduced US and additional British commitments. It is considered that as a result of this reallocation most of the difficulties mentioned in the report forwarded by the Director General of Merchant Marine can be overcome, and that a larger and more compact area, with rail-served berths, can be allocated to civilian operation.

2. This meeting will also consider the transfer of port equipment and other major points affecting the working of the port of NAPLES, as well as the question of the reclassification of the port of BARENOLI.

3. The following are interim comments on the details of Col LAURICELLA's report:-

Para (a) Berths 35, 36 and 36A are within the Italian section of the port and are not used by the British authorities.

It was agreed in Sep 45, when the division of the port was arranged, that when the civilian requirements exceed the capacity of the civilian port, the military sections of the port could be used by local arrangements.

Para (g) This para is not understood. No such instructions have been issued by either the British or US port authorities to the Italian Capitano di Porto.

Para (d) There are no known arrangements for the final disposal of Allied port equipment.

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Para (c) This para is not understood. No such instructions have been issued by either the British or US port authorities to the Italian Capitanato di Porto.

Para (d) There are no known arrangements for the final disposal of Allied port equipment to a "private enterprise".

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The present status of disposal of US equipment will be outlined at the meeting referred to in para 1.

Continued/... para (e)

DATA (e) At TORRE DEL GRECO Bay RASO Motor Boat Coy have requisitioned a shipyard for repair of craft. It also keeps half of West quay clear for its own use, but always allows civilian ships to berth there on request.

The time and place of the meeting referred to in para 1 will be advised to you.

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*T. L. Mearns*  
T. L. MEARNS, Lt Col.  
for Brigadier DQG(M).

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TORRE ANNUNZIATA

23 January 1946

Rail facilities on "Molo Levante" have been totally destroyed. Warehouse and pier constructions have been seriously damaged. Col. Sarti (Port Commandant of Naples) suggests that no grain ships be put in Torre owing to very poor warehousing facilities. These conditions may last for 1 or 2 weeks.

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This information was given to Maj. Kocaman and Capt. Hazlett on 23 January 46

Port of Naples

HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED COMMISSION LIAISON  
NAPLES

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TTS/m

22 January 1945

SUBJECT : Explosion in Torre Annunziata  
TO : Chief Liaison Officer.  
Allied Commission Liaison  
Naples

1. A visit was made this morning with officials of the Federazione to inspect the damage done to Grain Warehouses of the Magazzini Generali by explosions of ammunition in Torre Annunziata last evening. Warehouses of the Magazzini Generali are located about 200 yards from the scene of explosion and received a tremendous concussion which caused 75% damage. Roofs of all buildings were destroyed and considerable damage was done to outside walls and interior of buildings. Approximately 700 tons of grain and 400 tons of chilean nitrate were reported to be stored in warehouses. Less than 5% damage to these supplies is estimated to have taken place, but part of the goods is exposed to elements. Grain elevators were damaged but slightly.

2. Buildings on the pier were destroyed, but berths were undamaged. No Allied or Italian ships were in port at time of explosion. Barges loading ammunition from rail siding remained in port or were withdrawn after first explosion and escaped material damage. Rail siding was completely destroyed as well as 50 rail wagons.

3. Copies of report were requested from Magazzini Generali, Federazione and Italian Ministry of Marine.

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T. J. BARRY  
Capt. Spec-Res.  
Liaison, Transportation.

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Tel. 534  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

*See 21A*  
3 Jan. 1946

Our Ref: 40/971/16/En3

SUBJECT: Italian Area in the port of Naples, equipment etc.

TO: 1- D-205 (Rev & En) APR.

1. The Director General of the Italian Merchant Marine has asked that special consideration be given to the following points, which are detailed in a report from Col. Lauricella (Inspector of Port Operations), extracts of which are given for your information as an appendix to this letter.

2. The points under review are as follows:-

- (a) The present division of the Port of Naples into 3 areas, which it is considered do not permit the port to be used to full advantage.
- (b) Request that the reclassification of the port of Regnoli to Category "A" (Italian controlled port) be considered.
- (c) Reports for trucks in Italian Area of port.
- (d) Equipment in the Italian Area of port.
- (e) Handling back of Terru del Greco.

3. In regards 2(a) a readjustment of the three areas seems desirable and your views are sought. This HQ could arrange, if desired, for a representative of the Ministry of Marine to

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  - (a) The present division of the Port of Naples into 3 areas, which it is considered as not permit the port to be used to full advantage.
  - (b) Request that the reclassification of the port of Magnoli to Category 'A' (Italian controlled port) be considered.
  - (c) Request for trucks in Italian area of port.
  - (d) Equipment in the Italian area of port.
  - (e) Handling dock of Torre del Greco.
3. As regards (a) a readjustment of the three areas seems desirable and your views are sought. This HQ could arrange, if desired, for a representative of the Ministry of Marine to visit Naples to discuss the question on the spot.
4. The complete control of Torre del Greco (20) by the Italians is, it seems, held up by the operations of 247 MASCO Motor Boat Company, which is carrying out ship repairs in the harbour.
5. It is requested that you will examine these items and will say whether the points raised can be met.

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For the Chief Commissioner:-

  
 P. D. J. SUPPAMAN  
 Colonel  
 Director.

Encls: Appendix.

/s/

REPORT OF COL. LAURICELLA  
(Inspector of Port Operations)  
NAVAL AIR AREA

(a)

From an attentive investigation of the port activities and from a personal visit to the port, I have gathered that the present partition of the port is not the best for the efficient use of the three areas.

The part of the port assigned to Italy is most particularly inconvenient, since it is forced of two separate areas.

The first area formed by the pier and Vigliena Quay, and by the mooring station near the sunken vessel "Cornaro", comprises berth No. 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60. Commercial operations cannot take place at berth 57 and berth 58 as their length is not even sufficient for the mooring of medium tonnage vessels. Berth 59 and 60 (which were the best) have been allocated with the reservation made by the American authorities, of priority use for petrol tankers.

The second area comprises the wharf at the southern docks, the Genesio Console mole, the Carmine mole, and part of the Marinella Quay, (excluding the British area, which is part of the Italian area but is under British control).

In theory, berth 29, 30, 34, 35, 36 and 37 have been allocated to Italy, but in practice, the last three are still kept by the British.

The Italian areas are not only far apart from each other but, since they are separated by the British area, a wide circle through the city must be made to go from one to the other. This slows up the movements, and is most felt by the Italians who have only limited means of transport.

In the o/s Italian areas no transportation equipment has been assigned for the movement of goods, and to make it worse, this area has the least number of railway facilities.

Under such conditions it is easy to understand the

operations cannot take place at berth 37 and berth 38. Their length is not even sufficient for the mooring of medium tonnage vessels. Berths 39 and 40 (which are the best) have been allocated with the reservation made by the American authorities, of priority use for petrol tankers.

The second area comprises the wharf at the Southern Dock, the Cesareo Console Mole, the Carmine Mole, and part of the Marinale Quay, (excluding the Moine area, which is part of the Italian area but is under British control).

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Under such conditions it is easy to understand the difficulties encountered by the Italian authorities, further aggravated by the scanty equipment at our disposal.

The American area is formed by the extensive sector going from the S. Vincenzo Mole to the Villa del Popolo Quay, comprising berths from No. 1 to 18. (The allocation of the S. Vincenzo Mole and the Darona Mollere to the Commander in Chief of the Department is about to take place). The British area includes the Mound Pier, the Duchesse d'Angouleme Pier, the Vittorio Emanuele Pier and the internal part of the Darona Mole. This area has berths 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 up to 58 plus the fore-mentioned three berths 19, 20, 21 which had been formally assigned to the Italian area.

If it is indispensable to keep three separate areas, it is necessary at least to have plans and maps of each area near the other.

The management by three different organizations cause great waste and inefficient coordination e.g. (a) - a ship may be docked in an available berth while one which would serve the purpose is free in another area but cannot be used; (b) - the ships docked in one area are short of handling gear and transport equipment while in another area these means are in surplus to the need; (c) - a large number of offices belonging to entirely different organizations working in the same port cannot bring about an effective and thorough use of the port, such as is desirable at this time.

The w/a considerations induce me to suggest that the situation be referred to the Allied authorities who should examine the possibility, not that our activities of the port have ceased, to follow the experiment made in other Italian Ports and to return the Port of Naples to Italian control. This would not change the interest of the United Nations for they would still be guaranteed by the right to first priority for military requirements in the port, a thing to which even Category A Ports are subject. A single organization by subordinating all the port facilities might also assist the carrying on of these operations.

(b) BAGNOLI strange to say the Port is still considered under American jurisdiction although the only traffic taking place is civilian, and made up of ships unloading coal for Italy.

All the conditions for the passage to Detonary & Port 285021 exist for the Port of Bagnoli.

(c) Accort for Trucks according to allied instructions, the Captain of Porto must furnish military escorts to trucks moving the commodities from the port. This charge, which comprises direct responsibility of the goods, from my point of view should not concern the Capitano di Porto. It may create confusion as regards the delivery of the goods, since the receiver accepts his commodities, with all the responsibility attached, at ships side I believe that he should also take care to assign a guard of which he should make a request to the authorities concerned.

The S/S considerations in case he is advised that the situation be represented to the Allied authorities who should examine the possibility, now that war activities of the port have ceased, to follow the experiment made in other Italian ports and to return the port of Naples to Italian control. This would not change the interest of the United Nations for they would still be guaranteed by the right to first priority for military requirements in the port, a thing to which even Category A ports are subject. A single organization by coordinating all the port facilities might also assist the carrying on of these operations.

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All the conditions for the passage to Category A port 2870 exist for the port of Bagnoli.

(c) Report for Truoka according to Allied instructions, the Capitano di Porto must furnish military escorts to trucks moving the commodities from the port. This charge, which comprises direct responsibility of the goods, from my point of view should not concern the Capitano di Porto. It may create confusion as regards the delivery of the goods, since the receiver accepts his commodities, with all the responsibility attached, at ship's side. I believe that he should also take care to assign a guard of which he should make a request to the authorities concerned.

(4) Equipment in the Italian Area.

The area allocated to the Italian jurisdiction is completely lacking in technical equipment, the Allied authorities, not having assigned, as in other ports, an adequate number of cranes and other material needed for the work.

It is held that the allocation of such equipment is about to be made to a private enterprise, a thing which, if true, would create an unfavorable impression in Italian shipping circles. It would be ill advised to have such equipment used by private monopoly, instead of being at the disposal of all on an equal footing basis.

This is particularly unfortunate as in the port of Naples since a special Ente Autonomo del Porto operates in the port to which could be given the exclusive use and the management of port equipment.

(a) TOURNE DEL 25500

I have been informed that the Part of Torre del Greco, although officially classified Category 1, has in fact not yet been turned over to the Italian authorities.

REPORT.

NUMERICAL DATA FOR VESSELS DISCHARGING COAL AT TORRE ANUNZIATA

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Togeth with three members of the Ministry of War Transport including a Marine Superintendent, a Representative of the Provincial Office of Commerce and Industrial Industry of Naples, and the Captain of the Port of Torre Anunziata, a thorough examination was gone into as regards the discharging of coal ships at Torre Anunziata in case of congestion at Reggoli. The question was raised in view of the serious delay to the Italian S.S. "Saverio" which vessel arrived off Naples on the 2nd January with a cargo of Sardinian coal, and only was able to discharge eventually at Reggoli on the 17th January.

The Captain of the Port stated that vessels of any draft could be lightened off the Breakwater at Torre Anunziata and with fine weather could be guaranteed a daily discharge of 1200-1300 tons per day of eight working hours. With a draft of 24' it was possible for the vessel to enter the Port and lying stern on in the inner Harbour with the available lighters 11 vessels could be discharged per day 1200 tons. The barges would be towed to the coal wharf where there is also Railway lines, and besides a dump for any quantity of coal, and in this manner the coal could be shipped by waggons as they became available.

Arriving at 19' draft, the vessel could come alongside of the coal quay and discharged into the dump likewise at the rate of not less than 1200 tons per day working hours eight.

At the same time it is suggested that in case Reggoli is not congested the lightering of the vessels until respectively 24' and 19' could be executed at Reggoli, when if other tonnage arrives with coals cargo for discharge at latter Port, they could be moved to Torre Anunziata

REPORT. 17th January, 1945.

Show to Coal Div

Mr. Russell

Circulate

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This coal to be used as per for Sardinian Colliers +  
Coal can be dumped here.

Details will be composed by Mr. Williams following Caldwell  
Explosion 2/1 in TB. L.R. Thank you. R. B. C. C.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.O. 394  
TRANSPORTATION and SHIPPING SUB COMMISSION

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Tel. 347  
Ref. AC/16/18/Tn.5

UAG/16  
Rome 10th December 45

SUBJECT: Port of Naples.- Italian Sections.

TO : Movements Division - Shipping branch  
(attn. Major Laraman)

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1. We enclose, herewith, for your information and appropriate action translation of letter NO. 7740/D.I. dated 10th December 1945 received from the Director General Mercantile Marine, Rome.

2. Your advice on the matter will be appreciated.

For the Chief:

*U. A. Ghilardi*  
U. A. GHILARDI  
Operations branch  
Ports & Warehouse Division

Attachment:-  
as per para 1.

*Return with file 2887*  
*Capt. Losi - have you any*  
*Comments to make?*  
*dhk*

TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF MARINE

No. 7740/D.I.

Rome, 12 December 1945

HQ Allied Commission  
Transportation S/C  
Ports & Warehouse Division  
Rome

SUBJECT: Italian Sections in Port of Naples

At the meeting in which the division of the port of Naples into three zones, American, British and Italian, was established, berths #35, 36, and 36A had been included among those subject to Italian control.

Contrary to the above division, the berths in question have been retained by the local British Authorities who reserved same for their own exclusive use.

We would appreciate your intervening so that the above circumstance may be clarified so, as is known, the portion of the port allocated to Italian authority is already inadequate for real necessity.

(signed)

E. MATTEINI

General Carlo Matteini  
Director General of  
Merchant Marine

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Transportation and Shipping Sub-Commission

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Our Ref :- AG/571/13/En.1.

17 December 1945

SUBJECT :- Additional Equipment, Personnel and Guards for  
Italian Port Area, Naples.

TO :- Senior Transportation Officer ANG - Naples Command.

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1. Reference your letter of 9 October.
2. Please say this HQ be advised of the progress made to date and whether the additional personnel requested have arrived in the port. Upon receipt of your reply further requests will be made through the appropriate channels.

For the Director :-

*[Signature]*  
R. F. [Name]  
Major R. A.

*Letter passed to  
B. H. Div.  
Results almost  
[Signature]*

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TRANSLATION

AS/ada

SUBJECT : Italian Area in the Port of Naples.

Reference to letter 20/DTI/14/TN3, of the 10 Nov., I forward some notes regarding the Port of Naples made by Col. Lauricella during his recent visit to this port.

I will be thankful if the Commission will give due consideration to the important matters discussed, paying special heed to the present confused situation, brought about by the existing three way organization which obviously does not permit to use the Port to the full advantage.

If the suggested solution of having a single administration is not acceptable, then we beg you to examine the possibility that the Italian Port Area have a series of adjacent quays, on which organized port business can take place.

sgt Carlo Mattaini

Ten. Gen. A.N. Carlo Mattaini

Direttore Generale della Marina Mercantile

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APPENDIX

*Report of the Committee  
on the Port of Naples*

EXPLANATION

(a)

NAPLES: A PORT AREA

From an attentive investigation of the port activities and from a personal visit to the port, I have gathered that the present partition of the port is not the best for the efficient use of the three areas.

The part of the port assigned to Italy is most particularly inconvenient, since it is formed of two separate areas.

The first area formed by the pier and Vigliena Quay, and by the mooring station near the sunken vessel "Carnaro", comprises berths No. 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30. Commercial operations <sup>cannot</sup> take place at berth 27 and berth 28 for their length is not even sufficient for the mooring of medium tonnage vessels. Berths 29 and 30 (which are the best) have been allocated with the reservation made by the American Authorities, of priority use for petrol tankers.

The second area comprises the wharf of Southern Docks, the Casarco Console mole, the Canale Mole, and part of the Marcella Quay, (excluding the Basin area, which is part of the Italian area but is under British control).

In theory, berths 29, 30, 34, 35, 36 and 36A have been allocated to Italy, but in practice, the last three are still kept by the British.

The Italian areas are not only far apart from each other but, since they are separated by the British Area, a wide circle through the city must be made to go from one to the other. This slows up the movements, and is most felt by <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>also have only limited</sup> ~~these~~ <sup>ships</sup> ~~ships~~ <sup>because of few</sup> ~~means~~ <sup>means</sup> of transport.

In the a/m Italian areas no transportation equipment has been assigned for the movement of goods, and to make it worse, this area has the least number of railway <sup>facilities</sup> ~~facilities~~.

Under such conditions it is easy to understand the difficulties encountered by the Italian Authorities, further aggravated by the <sup>scanty</sup> ~~scarce~~ equipment at our disposal.

The American Area is formed by the extensive sector going from the S. Vincenzo Mole to the Villa del Popolo Quay, comprising berths from No. 1 to 20, (the allocation of the S. Vincenzo Mole and the Darsena Militare to the Commander in Chief of the Department is about to take place.). The British Area includes the Darsena Pier, the Darsena d'Armi Pier, the Vittorio Emanuele Pier and the internal part of the Darsena del Bacini, between the Cesareo Console Mole, and the Carmine Mole. This Area has berths 21, 22, 23, 24 up to 26 plus the fore-mentioned three berths 25, 26, 27 which had been formally assigned to the Italian area.

If it is indispensable to keep three separate areas, it is necessary at least, to have piers and quays of each <sup>area near the other</sup> near one another.

The management by three different organizations causes <sup>indifference</sup> great waste and lack of coordination, i. e. (A) - a ship must be docked in an unsuitable berth while one which would serve the purpose is free in another area but <sup>cannot</sup> be used; (B) - the ships docked in one area <sup>are short of handling gear and</sup> lack discharge and transport equipment while in another area these means are in surplus to the needs; (C) - <sup>large number</sup> of offices with <sup>belonging to</sup> entirely different organizations working in the same port can not bring about an effective and <sup>smooth</sup> through use of the port, as it is desirable at this time.

The a/m considerations induce me to suggest that the situation be <sup>presented</sup> ~~presented~~ to the Allied Authorities <sup>who should</sup> ~~see them~~ to examine the possibility, now that war activities of the port have ceased, to follow the experiment made in other Italian ports and <sup>to</sup> return the Port of Naples under the Italian control. This would not change the interest of the United Nations for they would be guaranteed by the right to first priority <sup>for military equipment in the port</sup> in ~~port~~ military operations, a thing to which even Category A

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Ports are subject to a single organization by coordinating all the port facilities might also better the carrying of these operations.

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It is strange to say the Port is still considered under American jurisdiction although the only traffic taking place is civilian and made up of ships unloading coal for Italy.

All the conditions for the passage to Category A Port exist for the Port of Genoa.

*Capitana di Porto*

Escort for trucks according to the allied instructions, the Port Commander must furnish military escort to the trucks moving the commodities from the port. This charge, which comprises direct responsibility of the goods, from my point of view should not concern the Port Commander ~~and~~ *Capitana di Porto. It* may create confusion regarding the delivery of the goods, since the receiver accepts his commodities, with all the responsibility attached, at ship's side. I believe that he should also take care to assign a guard of which he should make a request to the concerned authorities.

Equipment in the Italian Area

*Technical*

The area allocated to the Italian jurisdiction is completely lacking of ~~in~~ *nothing* working equipment, not having the allied ~~authorities~~ *authorities* assigned, as in other ports, an adequate number of cranes and other material needed for the work.

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It is said that the allocation of such equipment is about to be made to a private enterprise, a thing which, if true, would create an unfavorable impression in the ~~maritime circles~~ *Italian Shipping* which would be ~~contrary~~ *in contrast* to have such a ~~equipment~~ *equipment* used by a private monopoly, instead of being at the disposal of all on equal basis. *This is particularly unfortunate as in the port of Naples*  
The thing would be ~~still~~ *more* illegitimate in the Port of ~~Genoa~~ *Genoa* since a special Ente Autonomo del Porto operates in the port to which should be given the ~~exclusiveness~~ *exclusiveness* of the management of the port equipment.

CASTELLONARTE DI STABIA

*Christ*

~~Control - Although the Port has been passed to the A Category and is officially under Italian control the Capitaneria di Porto Building, which is still under requisition by the Town Major. Since the measure, hindered the Port Authorities in the reorganization of its service, I suggest that we put the case up to the Allied Authorities.~~

(2) TORRE DEL GRECO

I have been informed that the Port of Torre del Greco, although officially classified Category A, has in fact not yet been turned over to the Italian Authorities.

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*Ministero della Marina*

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Comunque, anche quando non fosse ritenuto possibile di adddivenire alla soluzione unitaria richiesta, si prega di esaminare la convenienza che la zona italiana disponga di una serie di macchine contigue, nelle quali sia attuabile uno avvicendamento organico delle operazioni commerciali.

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FIO MATTINI

Ten. Gen. A. M. Carlo MATTINI  
Direttore Generale della Marina Mercantile

N A P O L I

ZONA DEL PORTO

Da un esame compiuto sull'andamento delle attività portuali e da una visita dettagliata al porto ho riferito l'impressione che la divisione attuale del porto stesso non è sufficiente in più felice per un efficiente funzionamento contemporaneo di tutte e tre le zone.

Specialmente infelice è la parte assegnata al controllo delle autorità italiane, costituita di due zone separate.

La prima, costituita dal portello e dalla zona di riparo, nonché dell'area del sistema presso il pierone numero 11, comprende gli orologi 57, 58, 59 e 60. Al 57 non possono presentarsi evoluzioni operative con velocità il 50% in una lunghezza insufficiente all'affollamento

causato da una nave anche di medio tonnellaggio

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La prima, costituita dal pontile e dalla Casella Vigiliata nonché dall'opp. ed impianto presso il piccolo molo di Carnaro, comprende gli orologi 56, 57, 58, 59 e 60. Al 57 non possono presentemente svolgersi operazioni commerciali; il 58 ha una lunghezza insufficiente all'affiancamento completo di una nave anche di medio tonnellaggio; il 59 ed il 60 (che sono i migliori) sono stati ceduti con riserva di priorità d'uso da parte del Comando americano per navi con combustibili liquidi.

La seconda zona comprende la banchina del Molo Cardace, il Molo Sordani Console, il Molo Cardace, e parte delle calette Marcella (anch'esse la zona dei Magli, inserite nella zona italiana, ma che resta sotto giurisdizione italiana).

gli ormeggi 11, 12, 13, 17 e seguenti fino al 35 con l'aggiunta dei precedenti tre ormeggi 13, 15, 16A che erano stati prima assegnati alle zone italiane.

Qualora sia indimostrandibile mantenere la separazione delle tre zone occorrerebbe per lo meno, a mio avviso, che ciascuna zona avesse uno sviluppo di boe oline costigue in cui potesse essere accentrati tutti i servizi relativi. Ed è da considerarsi il grande sperpero di mezzi necessari per mantenere in vita tre organizzazioni diverse in uno stesso porto, a detrimento quasi costante delle esigenze di una determinata zona in confronto delle altre, quando, come spesso capita: a) una nave debba essere ormeggiata, per ragioni di giurisdizione, in un punto tutt'altro che idoneo, senza una banchina specialmente adatta in altra zona del porto resta inoperosa; b) le navi ormeggiate in una zona difettano di mezzi di trasporto, di gru, di attrezzi, mentre in un'altra zona ve ne è esuberanza in relazione alle operazioni in corso; c) una pleiade di uffici concorrenti nella giurisdizione di uno stesso porto, con organizzazione completamente diversa, non possono efficientemente raggiungere quello sfruttamento intensivo del porto che sarebbe necessario nel momento attuale.

Le predette considerazioni mi inducono a sottoporre alla V.V. se non sia il caso di pregare gli organi allenti competenti di esaminare se non converga, oggi che le attività portuali connesse con operazioni belliche sono terminate, perseguire l'esperienza che ha già dato buon rendimento in altri porti nazionali, restituendo totalmente alla Giurisdizione italiana il porto di

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M A P O L I

FORNITURA

La Ho senza completo dall'andamento dello sviluppo  
particolarmente e da una rivista dell'industria di partito ha  
fido tutto l'istruzione che la divisione attuale  
del partito stesso non è sufficiente in più follow  
per un efficace funzionamento economico di tut  
ta l'area le zone.

La politica italiana è la parte assegnata  
al controllo delle industrie italiane, con l'attuale  
di due zone separate.

La prima, costituita dal partito e dalla sua  
parte italiana nonché dall'attuale sistema produttivo  
il programma economico italiano, comprende gli or  
dini 27, 28, 29 e 30. Il 27 non possiede pro  
ficientemente avallarsi operazioni commerciali il 28  
ha una tendenza insufficiente all'attuale sistema  
displeto di una parte della di via nazionale;  
il 29 ed il 30 (che sono i migliori) sono stati  
adatti con ricerca di privati d'uso da parte del  
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di due zone separate.

La prima, costituita dal portile e dalla Cos-  
tata Vigliani nonché dall'approdo sistemato presso  
il pieronale sommano Carveto, comprende gli or-  
meati 55, 57, 59 e 60. Al 57 non pendono pre-  
ticamente ulteriori operazioni commerciali; al 59  
ha una larghezza insufficiente all'affiancamento  
completo di una nave anche di medio tonnellaggio;  
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Comando marittimo per usi con combustibili liqui-  
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Dopo Peridionelli, il Molo Cesareo Canale, il  
Molo Carvino, e parte della colata Marinella (esoly  
ne la zona del Tacini, inserita nella zona ita-  
liana, ma che resta sotto giurisdizione italiana).

In teoria si poteva avere una situazione all'incirca  
tra gli organi 20, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Le due sono italiane non solo sono distanti l'una  
da l'altra ma, essendo in una notte dalle interse  
zioni sono inglesi le comunicazioni lungo le calate,  
ma non possono essere solite le che si trovera  
un luogo dove in l'interno della città, così come  
che si rallentano che deriva dall'istituto tran  
sino cittadino, dando che è presente in solo spe  
ciale da chi dispone del minor numero di mesi di  
trasporto.

Tutte predette sono italiane nonché anche dopo  
omale per movimento di mesi è stato per me a lungo  
dizione della Capitaneria di porto, e per di più è  
la zona in cui nulla o nulla ricetto è il collega  
mente ferroviario.

Nono ben comprensibili le enormi difficoltà che  
si presentano in tali condizioni all'Autorità ita  
liana per lo svolgimento regolare delle operazioni  
commerciali, tanto più accresciuto dagli enormi costi  
di cui disponiamo.

Lo sono una cosa comprendo l'esperto settore  
che va del polo. Vincenzo alle Calata Tiro del 20  
polo, cioè gli avvenuti dal n.1 al 20 (n. part. in  
corso in corso).

...elle non possono essere collegate che attraverso un luogo che nell'interno della città, qui conosciute rallentamento che deriva dall'intenso traffico cittadino, danno che è risentito in modo speciale da chi dispone del minor numero di mezzi di trasporto.

Nelle predette zone italiane nessun mezzo economico per movimento di merci è stato messo a disposizione della Capitaneria di Porto, e per di più è la zona in cui nulla o quasi ricotta è il collegamento ferroviario.

Sono ben comprensibili le enormi difficoltà che si presentano in tali condizioni all'Autorità Italiana per lo svolgimento regolare delle operazioni commerciali, tanto più esacerbate dagli accenti negativi di cui disponiamo.

La zona americana comprende l'angolo dell'area che va dal volo S. Vincenzo alla Calata Villa del Poggio, cioè gli areali dal n.1 al 20 (n. però in senso in direzione del volo S. Vincenzo e della base aerea militare di Caserta). Capo del Dipartimento per le necessità militari.).

La zona inglese comprende il pontile Bannen, il pontile Duchessa d'Aosta, il pontile Vittorio Emanuele e la parte interna delle barracche dei bacini fra il volo Cicerio Tumbale e il volo Caraine, cioè

Gli ormeaggi 31, 32, 33, 37 e seguenti fino al 55 con l'aggiunta dei presoccomanti tra ormeaggi 35, 36, 36A che erano stati prima assegnati alla zona italiana.

Qualora sia indispensabile mantenere la separazione delle tre zone occorrerebbe per lo meno, a mio avviso, che ciascuna zona avesse uno sviluppo di base come contigue in cui possano essere concentrati tutti i servizi relativi. Ed è da considerarsi il grande pericolo di mezzi necessari per mantenere in vita tre organizzazioni diverse in uno stesso porto, o delimitato quasi soltanto dalle esigenze di una determinata zona in confronto delle altre, quando, come spesso capita: a) una nave debba essere ormeggiata, per ragioni di giurisdizione, in un punto tutt'altro che idoneo, contro una base che specialmente adatta in altra zona del porto resta inoperosa; b) le navi ormeggiate in una zona difettano di mezzi di trasporto, di gru, di attraccati, contro in un'altra zona ve ne è abbondanza in relazione alle operazioni in corso; c) una pletera di uffici concorrenti nella giurisdizione di uno stesso porto, con organizzazione complessa e diversa, non possono evidentemente raggiungere quello sfruttamento intensivo del porto che sarebbe necessario nel caso attuale.

Le predette considerazioni si inducono a sottoporre alla S.V. se non sia il caso di pregare gli organi alleati competenti di valutare se non converga, oggi che le attività portuali connesse con operazioni belliche sono terminate, seguire l'esperienza che ha già dato buon risulato in altri porti nazionali, re-stituendo totalmente alla giurisdizione italiana il porto di Napoli, ciò che non turberebbe affatto i vitali interessi della

organizzazioni diverse in uno stesso porto, è detriscente quasi costante delle esigenze di una determinata zona in confronto delle altre, quando, come spesso capita: a) una nave debba essere ormeggiata, per ragioni di giurisdizione, in un punto tutt'altro che idoneo, senza una macchina specialmente adatta in altra zona del porto (este inopere); b) le navi ormeggiate in una zona difettano di mezzi di trasporto, di gru, di attrezzi, mentre in un altro sono ve ne è abbondanza in relazione alle operazioni in corso; c) una plentona di uffici concorrenti nella giurisdizione di uno stesso porto, con organizzazione completamente diversa, non possono evidentemente raggiungere quello sfruttamento intensivo del porto che sarebbe necessario nel momento attuale.

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verso le complete necessità che il porto è chiamato a soddisfare.

BARCOI - Indipendentemente dalle considerazioni sopra esposte non posso non rilevare la stranezza del fatto che il porto di Barcoi sia tuttora considerato appa abente alla cura militare americana, quando l'unico traffico che vi si svolge è esclusivamente di natura civile, approdando solo piranesi con cariche definite all'Italia.

Esistono quindi echi tutte le condizioni per il passaggio del porto alla categoria A, e similindicare di quanto è stato deciso dalla autorità alleata per gli altri porti adetti e trafficati d'alle.

SCORTE AGLI AMERICANI - In base ad ispezione da parte della autorità alleata il Comandante del porto prevede e fornire notizie militari su ciascuno degli esecutori che dal porto si recano in città curiali dell'esercito prelevate dalle navi in corso. Queste attività, che coinvolge una diretta responsabilità sulla merce, mi sembra che esuli completamente dalla competenza del Comandante del porto e che possa essere per la soluzione confusione circa la responsabilità inerenti alla merce della merce. Poiché il ricevimento della merce stessa se riceve la consegna e la responsabilità, a tutti gli effetti, sotto paranco, ritengo che a lui esclusivamente dovrebbe spettare la cura e la responsabilità di provvedere alla riglianza, richiedendo direttamente il personale necessario alle competenti autorità.

stato deciso dalla Authority alleate per gli altri porti ad-  
detti a traffici di mill.

SCORTA AGLI AUTOCARZI

In base ad ispezioni fatte da parte della Auto-  
rità Alleata il Comandante del porto provvede a fornire scort-  
te militari su ciascuna degli automezzi che dal porto si re-  
cano in città carichi dell'eserci prelevate dalle navi in ar-  
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competenti Authority.

MECCANISMI ED ATTREZZI PORTUALI  
PER LA ZONA ITALIANA

La zona ceduta alla Giurisdizione Italiana è priva di  
una qualsiasi attrezzatura di lavoro non avendo colà le Auto-  
rità Alleate consegnato, come negli altri porti italiani, un  
adeguato quantitativo di gru e attrezzi vari necessari per  
le operazioni da svolgersi.

Si è sperato la voce che sarebbe invece in corso la ces-  
sione di tali mezzi a una Ditta privata, fatto questo che  
- se vero- creerebbe un pessimo sfavorevole impressione nello

ambiente marittimo, il quale non vedrebbe affittato allo sfruttamento monopolistico di un privato quel materiale che dovrebbe essere invece a disposizione di tutti con uguaglianza di costi. Senza contare che la cosa sarebbe ancor più illegittima nel caso speciale di Napoli, ove l'esistenza di un apposito Ente Autonomo del Porto dà a questo l'omnipotenza delle sentighe di tutti economici e amministrativi di lavoro.

CAPITOLAZIONE DI PACE

Intervista - Per quanto il porto sia passato nella gestione A e sia ufficialmente ripresentato in sede totale alla Giurisdizione Italiana, quel Tom Major detiene ancora un potere nell'interno del porto stesso. L'affidato della Capitaneria di Porto, senza neppure che lo stesso risulta illegittimo. Poiché il provvedimento che, tra l'altro, si pare emanato in illegittimo, sottocede l'autorità esclusiva del Capitano del Porto. Poiché, tuttavia, sottocede alla A.V. l'opera svolta di un nostro intervento presso la competente autorità.

LAUREA DEL G. D. C.

Si osserva ancora che il porto di Torre del Greco, per quanto sia ufficialmente consegnato esecutivamente, non si può ancora il fatto risolvibile all'autorità italiana.

My testimony  
has been  
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can see from  
my deposition

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Transportation Sub-Commission

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TO : Direzione Generale  
della Marina Mercantile  
Ministero Marina

1. Our Liaison Officer, Capt. Taci, reports that Col. Lauricello will shortly be paying a visit to Naples. It is requested that, if this visit should take place in the near future, Col. Lauricello forward a short report - verbally or in writing - on the hand over of the new section in the civil part of the port of Naples.
2. It is not possible to send a representative from this Sub-Commission to Naples at the moment and any information that can be supplied would be appreciated.

P. A.  
P.D.S. STEPHAN, Col.  
Director.

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*Mr SFC*

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Tel. 237

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Ref. AC/STOD/IND

22 October 1945

SUBJECT : Civil Area in Port of Naples.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

*(12) SFC*

1. Refer to our letter of even reference dated 16 October 1945.
2. Paragraph 2 line 3:  
for "Italy" read "Naples".

Copy to :  
~~Economic Section.~~

*Charles Swines*  
 CHARLES SWINES  
 Major SAC

for J.H. SULLIVAN  
 Director,  
 Industry & Commerce Division,  
 Economic Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
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INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

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Tel. 489081 - Ext. 237

16 October 1945

Ref. AC/5700/IND.

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SUBJECT : Civil Area in Port of Naples.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission

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1. Reference is to your AC/573/7/Tn.3 dated 5 October 1945.

2. It is not anticipated that the arrival of raw materials for industry will noticeably increase the tonnage coming in to Italy as Italian industries are in the main located in the north where the raw materials will be required.

Copy to:  
Economic Section.

*Charles Sewings*  
CHARLES SEWINGS  
Major RASC

for A.H. SULLIVAN  
Director,  
Industry and Commerce Division  
Economic Section.

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EXTRACT  
FROM  
TRANSPORTATION NEWS LETTER  
OF  
16 October, 1942

Facilities for the dry docking of merchant vessels are available to the Mediterranean Shipping Board in 14 ports in the Mediterranean area, providing ample repair space for present needs. All facilities are controlled by the CinC, Mediterranean.

Bids for the use of repair facilities are submitted to the Mediterranean Shipping Board and compiled and studied by the board's Repair Committee for recommendation. The committee schedules the vessels for repairs taking into consideration the availability of docks, routing of the vessels, their positions at the time they will be ready to go into drydock, and estimated length of time in drydock.

During the war the limited number of docks in the Mediterranean and the great number of emergencies which occurred created a problem in dry docking. Warships were given first priority. At present, however, warships compete with personnel, hospital and merchant ships on a basis of urgency.

Vessels operating between the Mediterranean and United States or the Mediterranean and Great Britain generally are returned to the home ports for drydocking. In event of an emergency, however, they are drydocked in the Mediterranean.

Docking facilities (all measurements are "on keel blocks" dimensions) :

Casablanca---Controlled by the French Navy. See

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two docks, one of 357 feet and the second, a small dock suitable for trawlers etc.

Gibraltar---Controlled by the British Navy. Has four docks, 859, 530, 430 and 241 feet.

Cran---Controlled by the French Navy. Has two docks, 678, and 390 feet. The docks are used mainly by the French but may be used by others' vessels if necessary.

Algiers---Controlled by the French Navy. Has two docks, 368 and 191 feet.

Ferryville---Controlled by the French Navy. Has four docks, 541, 800, 350 and 510 feet. The scarcity of labor, however, limits the use of this port.

Naples---Controlled by the British Navy. Has five docks, 660, 370, 240, 320 and 238 feet. The 320-foot dock is a floating dock. The 370-foot dock is limited to vessels with beams of 45 feet or less.

Palermo---Controlled by the U.S. Navy. Has two docks 518 and 237 feet long. The port is used principally by the U.S. Navy, but a recent drop in commitments has increased the number of merchant ships being docked there.

Leghorna---Controlled by the British Navy. Has one dock 434 feet, but because of its irregular shape can accept only vessels smaller than Liberties.

Genoa---Controlled by the British Navy. Has four docks, two of which are in operation at present. One of these docks is 318 feet long and can take two vessels simultaneously. The other dock is 683 feet, but its whole length is not being worked at present. Genoa is used for the repair of merchant ships only.

Taranto---Controlled by the British Navy. This port has a large number of repair docks, four of which are used by merchant ships.

These are 834, 297, 584 and 460 feet in length. The 460-foot dock is a floating dock.

Brindisi---In the process of being returned to Italian authorities for operation. Has two docks; 368 and 345 feet.

Venice---Operated by Italian authorities. Has two docks, 810 and 493 feet. The 810-foot dock is not yet in operation.

Trieste---Has three docks, two of which are used primarily for minesweepers and other small craft. The third is large enough to accept vessels slightly smaller than Liberties.

Toulon---Controlled by the French Navy. Has four docks 231, 243, 646 and 646 feet.

LaCiotat---Controlled by the French Navy. Has one dock large enough to accept a Liberty.

Marseille---Controlled by the French Navy. There are no dry docking facilities in this port but certain types of repairs may be undertaken here.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION  
APO 194  
Transportation Sub-Commission

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16 October 1945

tel : 534

AG/573/10/TA 1

SUBJECT : Civil area in port of Naples

TO : Requisition Branch  
Economic Section

1. During the month of October the area operated by Italian authorities in the port of Naples will be increased by about 5 berths. The matter is now being discussed and when agreement is reached AFHQ will advise this HQ.
2. You are requested to notify Transportation Sub-Commission if there is likely to be a large increase in tonnages of civil supplies arriving in Naples in the future from extra-Mediterranean sources.
3. It is important that available warehouse accommodation in Naples and rail and road clearance should not be overlooked in deciding future policy for diversions of ships.

For the Director

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*L. H. ...*  
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Major U.S.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
AGRICULTURE SUB-COMMISSION

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Ref. AGR/793

15 October 1945

SUBJECT: Civil Area in Port of Naples

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission  
Attn: Maj. Laraman

1. Reference your AG/573/7/M.3 of 5 October 1945 on reference subject.

2. Agriculture Sub-Commission has not been notified of any procurement of civil supplies which would indicate a large increase in tonnage from extra-Mediterranean sources in the near future.

*J. W. Merritt*  
JAMES W. MERRITT  
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
COMMERCE SUBCOMMISSION  
Foreign Trade Division

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Tel. 478192

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11 October 1945

REF. : AC/5203/TR/Imp/Commerce  
SUBJECT : Civil area in port of Naples  
TO : Transportation S/C  
(Attn. Major Laraman)

1. Reference is made to your letter AC/5737/Tn.3 of 5 October 1945 in connection with Naples port area.

2. There are indications that private trade is a near possibility, and in this case the prospect is that imports will increase certainly. However, it is not possible to forecast when this will take place, and it is unlikely that it will affect the flow of goods for the next two months.

3. On the other hand, certain requisition items are referred back to Italy for procurement in Europe, and in this respect the volume of supplies against the Italian Government's program of essential imports is likely to decrease rather than increase.

W.A. GENT  
Major  
Director  
Commerce Sub-Commission

*W.A. Gent*  
Major

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SERVICE TRANSPORTATION OFFICE  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCE  
HEADQUARTERS  
400 MARINE DRIVE  
APO 334

10 October, 1945

SUBJECT: Material for Maintenance and Repair Unit -  
Italian Hurt Area

TO : Cdr. S/O, Shipping Div. (Attn: Maj. Larimore) ✓  
Cdr. S/O, P. & W. Div. (7)

1. Reference our letter.
2. Revised list is submitted herewith.

For the Commissioner:

*J. E. RUMBLE*  
per J. E. RUMBLE  
Captain, Spec-304  
Port Italian Officer

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EQUIPMENT FOR MAINTENANCE & REPAIR UNIT  
 TULLAH PORT AREA

	<u>Quantity</u>
1. Grinders, hand-operated	02
2. Arc Welding Machine w/rods	02
3. Anvils, 1 @ 100 lb and 1 @ 200 lb	02
4. Forge	02
5. Acetylene Cutting & Welding Torch	02
6. Acetylene Cutting & Welding Torch Tips (comp)	02
7. Battery Charger, Heavy Duty Type	02
8. Saws, work, heavy duty	02
9. Vices, 6" jaw	02
10. Vices, 4" jaw	02
11. Vices, carpenter	02
12. Vices, pipe	02
13. Tools, blacksmith, set (complete)	02
14. Tools, mechanical, set (complete)	02
15. Tools, carpenter, set (complete)	02
16. Tools, automotive electric, set (complete)	02
17. Tools, mechanic, heavy duty, set (complete)	02
18. Tools, machinist, set (complete)	02
19. Spikes, Karlin, 2 @ 6", 2 @ 12", 2 @ 16"	02
20. Pile, wood 6" to 18" assorted	02
21. Drill Presses, electric	02
22. Saw, power, hand, for metal	02
23. Pipe torch, gasoline	02
24. Taps & Dies, 8/16 thread, set (complete)	02
25. Taps & Dies, 1/8" thread, set (Complete)	02
26. Letter & Washer set 1/4" complete	02
27. Drifts, 7/8"	02
28. Wash caps, 10"	02
29. Chain Fall, 1 @ 2 ton, 1 @ 5 ton	02
30. Wrench, stillson, 18"	02
31. Wrench, stillson, 24"	02
32. Hacksaw	02
33. Cables, railroad type, 20 ton	02
34. Wire, annealed, 1/2" diameter, coils	02
35. Wire, annealed, 3/4" diameter, coils	02
36. Wire, annealed, 1" diameter, coils	02
37. Wire, annealed, 1 1/4" diameter, coils	02
38. Wire, annealed, 1 1/2" diameter, coils	02
39. Wire, annealed, 1 3/4" diameter, coils	02
40. Wire, annealed, 2" diameter, coils	02
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42. Wire, annealed, 2 1/2" diameter, coils	02
43. Wire, annealed, 2 3/4" diameter, coils	02
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THIS IS A SUMMARY OF THE EQUIPMENT LISTED IN THE ATTACHED REPORT. THE REPORT IS THE SOURCE OF THE INFORMATION.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

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TO : SAC

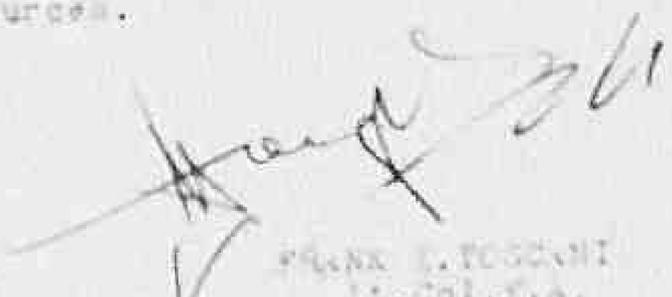
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10 October 1945

SUBJECT : Civil area in part of Naples

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission  
(attn: Major Graham)

1. Reference your 42/573/7/In 3 of 5 October 1945.
2. There is not expected to be a large increase in tonnages of civil food supplies arriving in Naples in the future from extra -med sources.



FRANK E. FOSSINI  
Lt. Col. F.A.  
Director, Food Sub-Commission

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SEVEN TRANSPORTATION OFFICERS  
TRANSPORTATION AND GUARDIAN  
REQUIREMENTS  
AND SUPPLY ORDERS  
NO 38

3 October, 1945

SUBJECT: Additional Equipment, Personnel and Guards  
for Italian Port Area, Naples

TO : Transportation S/O, Shipping Div ✓  
Port & Warehouse Div

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1. Request is made by Italian Port Authorities for following equipment, personnel and guards for operation of the new section of the port scheduled to be turned back to Italian Government 1/8 October 45, 1945.

- (A) Stevedoring gear and equipment (See list attached).
- (B) Material for maintenance and repair unit (See letter dated 27 Sept).
- (C) Vehicles 1/4 ton 1, 2, 3 & 4 (See letter dated 27 Sept).
- (D) Personnel and Guards.

(1) 120 - 150 Italian Military Guards, preferably those trained by American Military Police. Previously requested through Port & Warehouse Division and Federation, some for warehouses and escorts for trucks from Port to warehouses.

(2) 5000 M2 guards for security of Port Area.

(3) 1 or more officers of Royal Italian Marine with rank of Lieutenant for port operations.

2. It is believed that most of stevedoring gear and equipment as well as material for maintenance and repair unit can be supplied from local Army depots when a proper basis for lease has been determined. Personnel and guards cost of course to be provided through appropriate agencies of the Italian Government.

3. Please keep us advised of progress of procurement of 1/4 ton.

For the Donations:

*[Signature]*  
T. A. HANNEY, Capt., Spec-Res  
Port Liaison Officer

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DISTR:  
Comdt Ital. Marine, Naples  
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STRENGTHENING GEAR & EQUIPMENT  
ITALIAN PORT AREA

1.	Nets, cargo sling	2	28
2.	Slings, rope 4" x 40' or 50'	2	28
3.	Slings, canvas cargo 3" x 30'	2	28
4.	Slings, wire rope 2" x 12 1/2' 1" x 20'	2	28
5.	Hook, barrel, steel, drop forged for barrel slings	2	28
6.	Nets, wire all, rope 25' x 40'	2	28
7.	Sling, wire rope, vehicle w/spreader and wheel nets	2	28
8.	Tag lines, rope 1/2" x 40' or 50'	2	28
9.	Hooks, metal	2	28
10.	Pallets, board	2	28
11.	Cranes, mobile (2 ton lift)	2	28
12.	Cranes, 2 x 2 (10 ton lift)	2	28
13.	Deck lifts w/platform	2	28
14.	Pallet unloader for tank lift	2	28
15.	Hooks, box (dog)	2	28
16.	Extinguishers, fire, on wheels with hose 40 gal "foam"	2	28
17.	Extinguishers, foam 2 gal	2	28
18.	Vehicles, 2 1/2 ton 6 x 6 LBS (1 with winch)	2	28

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 174  
Transportation Sub-Commission

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2 October 1945

AG/317/6/2a.1

SUBJECT : Additional berths to be handed back to Italian Government Control at Naples

TO : Economic Section.

1. Discussions are now in progress concerning additional berths in Naples which it is proposed to hand back to Italian control. When full details are notified by AFM you will be advised.

2. It is anticipated that about 5 additional berths for deep sea vessels will become available by this change. The date of hand over will be between 15-20 October.

3. The Road Division are requested to take up the question of additional transport, which will be required for trucks clearance with AFM and FIG.

4. Sub-Commissions are being requested to indicate to what extent the port of Naples will be used in future for ships from extra Mediterranean sources, in view of these increased facilities.

For the Director :

*W. F. Langan*  
W. F. LANGAN  
Major R.A. 2861

Copy to, Ports & Dues Div  
Rail-Road Branch  
Rail Division  
Road Division  
Bureau of Marine

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS  
HEADQUARTERS  
AND MARINE CORPS  
APO 334

5 October, 1945

SUBJECT: Additional Berths to be turned-over to Italian Government

TO : Italian Port Commandant  
Col. E. Derti

1. Berths 33, 34 and 35 on Pier B in addition to Pier D and finger berths 36 and 36 (a) are scheduled to be turned over for your use probably on 20 October. Also, berths 72, 73, 74, and 75 are to be made available for common usage of American, British and Italian services.

2. Official directive is to be issued by the Commanding General of MCOMS but it is essential that you submit at once a list of all stowage gear and equipment, transport, and additional personnel, including guards, necessary for efficient operation of the new area.

For the Commandant:

*[Signature]*  
T. E. RUSSELL  
Captain, Spec-For  
Port Liaison Officer

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On S/O Shipping Div ✓  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
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3 October 1945

SUBJECT : Civil area in part of Naples.

TO : Food Sub-Commission - *reply - Small increase likely*  
Commerce Sub-Commission - *reply - require*  
Industry Sub-Commission  
Agriculture Sub-Commission - *reply - little cargo expected*

1. During the month of October the area operated by Italian authorities in the port of Naples will be increased by about 5 berths. The matter is now being discussed and when agreement is reached AFHQ will advise this HQ.

2. Sub-Commissions are requested to notify Transportation 3/2 if there is likely to be a large increase in tonnage of civil supplies arriving in ~~Italy~~ *Italy* in the future from extra-Mediterranean sources.

3. It is important that available warehouse accommodation in Naples and rail and road clearance should not be overlooked in deciding future policy for diversions of ships.

For the Director :

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*W. H. ...*  
W. H. ...  
Major U.S.A.

Copy to: Ports & Ware Div.  
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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS  
AND NAVALY CRUISE  
APO 398

2 October, 1945

SUBJECT: Additional Berths to be Turned Back to  
Italian Government

TO : Transportation S/O, P. & N. Div.  
Shipping Div. ✓

1. Pier D of Naples Port, consisting of berths 29, 30 and 31,  
and two finger berths - 36 and 36A - are scheduled to be turned back  
to Italian Government within the near future.

2. Tentative date for the turn-back is set for 21 October, but  
official announcement has not been made yet.

Per the Commissioner:

*T. E. Ramsey*  
T. E. RAMSEY  
Captain, Spec-Res  
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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE  
SUB-DIVISION OF THE PORT OF NAPLES

Held at Headquarters 8th Port of Subdivision, 20 September 1944.

PRESENT

- Col. DANIELS, Ctr. Sec AFHQ (A)
- Col. BAILEY, CC 4th Port Embark
- Mr. STOKES, S.S., Med
- Mr. SMITH, U.S.A., Naples
- Mr. FISHER, MTR, Med
- Mr. HENRY, MTR, Naples
- Col. McHEWITT, Chief of 7th AFHQ, Presiding
- Col. JOHNSON, C-4 News-7th, AFHQ (Br)
- Lt. Col. MURPHY, C-4 News-7th, AFHQ (Br)
- Col. FORTLE, Ctr. Sec AFHQ (Br)
- Lt. Col. MILLER, Home-Naples (Br)
- Cmdr. FLINT, Royal Navy, CCO (Br)
- Lt. Cmdr. FURCH, Royal Navy, C
- Lt. FITZPATRICK, CIO Naples

The purpose of this meeting is to examine a proposal made by the Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, to the Commanding General, MUSEA, regarding the subdivision of the Port of Naples, I.O. to divide the Port Area on a somewhat equal basis between the American authorities and British authorities, in order to conserve personnel on the American side. American personnel are being depleted to such an extent as to make it impossible to continue port operations over the whole port with proper supervision. The letter outlining the proposal has been distributed to British shipping authorities in AFHQ. It is proposed that we go over this proposition, paragraph by paragraph, and discuss it here at this meeting. If there are any questions as to any of the provisions of the proposal, we will discuss them so that a proper reference may be made to AFHQ for decision.

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  - b. That the British and U.S. assume complete operational and supervisory control in the zones allocated."

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I. PROPOSAL IN GENERAL

Par. 1. "Though Naples is an U.S. operated port, developments over recent months have resulted in British cargo moving through this port in volumes nearly equal to U.S. cargo. \* \* \* \*"

Par. 2. "In consideration of the above facts, it is recommended that:

- a. The Port of Naples be sub-divided into two (2) zones, British and American, for military cargo operations.
- b. That the British and U.S. crews complete operational and supervisory control in the zones allocated."

Col ACHERY: All imports from ex-Med sources will be loaded on a commercial basis. The stowage operations on these ships will be taken care of by the stevedoring agents and not by military personnel. Cargo and ship's tally will be taken at the dock. There will be a certain number of military docks operating companies in the port for work, but we will ordinarily employ civilian contract labor. The only stowage work done by British military will be on "hired" transport -- personnel ships and some coasters. STU and MAT will be responsible for the stowage on their vessels in the port.

Col MCKENZIE: That appears to be an internal problem to be settled between the British agencies and does not concern the actual sub-division of the port area.

II. DIVISION OF THE PORT AREA

Par. 3. "A proposed plan setting forth the details of the operation and supervision arising from port segregation is outlined below:

- a. Division of Port Area:
  - (1) Reference attached chart. The port area would be subdivided into two (2) areas, segregating berths under British or U.S. control. The U.S. Army has installations on Pier #4

Including C&I Room, Basecamp Depot, Supply Stores Warehouse, etc., which are supporting installations not actively connected with on going operations. These installations in no way interfere with shipping and it would not be practical to move them; therefore, this area would be retained by U.S. controlling authorities."

Col. J. J. ... Then in the suggested British port area there are no buildings available, we cannot take over a portion of the port unless we have proper accommodations for troops, etc.

Col. ... Since the writing of this letter, we have received a report whereby we are recommended that every installation in the proposed British area be given up with a few exceptions, which I can give.

1. A buoyside pier, located in bank of berth #80, which will not be increased but will be finally removed as surplus is used up.

2. A small installation on Pier "M" -- a concrete pier now in operation, but which will later be out of operation, since we have given up our source of gravel.

3. A small asphalt loading pier on Pier "N", which may affect either the British or U.S. in the maintenance of port roads, but which is also on the same basis as the concrete pier.

4. One supply installation on Pier "P", consisting of approximately 1,000 tons of transportation Corps supplies, which cannot be moved except over a period of time. They are located on the second floor of a building on Pier "P" and will be moved out gradually. The present stock pile of life rafts, truck-town target, etc. would be moved out gradually.

Other than these installations I am sure we could move out of the proposed British area.

### III. DISCUSSION RE PRIORITY OF CIVILIAN CARGO

Mr. ... I believe the problem is being approached from the wrong angle. Military cargo no longer has priority; civilian cargo has priority. I am speaking of the matter of importance. The delivery of cargo to the Italian Government is on a very high priority, for it is a matter of hunger we are fighting. Bearing in mind that civilian cargo has the higher priority, let us start from the other end and decide what is to be the Italian port. We will require certain warehouse space, etc., and will have to do a lot of work in tailoring cargo to the Italian Government. I frankly do not know what the tonnage coming through the port is now, but I am sure that the military cargo will be another lower than civilian cargo going to the Italian Government. I am sure they will be

- 1. A barge pile, located in back of berth #88, which will not be increased but will be finally removed as damage is used up.
- 2. A small installation on Pier "Y" -- A concrete pier now in operation, but which will later be cut of operation, since we have given up our source of gravel.
- 3. A small asphalt paving plant on Pier "Y", which may effort either the British or U.S. in the maintenance of port roads, but which is also on the same basis as the concrete plant.
- 4. One supply installation on Pier "Y", consisting of approximately 3,000 tons of Transportation Corps supplies, which cannot be moved except over a period of time. They are located on the second floor of a building on Pier "Y" and will be moved out gradually. The present stock pile of life rafts, knock-down barges, etc. would be moved out gradually.

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Mr. NICOL: I believe the problem is being approached from the wrong angle. Military cargo no longer has priority; civilian cargo has priority. I am speaking of the matter of importance. The delivery of cargo to the Italian government is on a very high priority, for it is a matter of hunger we are fighting. Bearing in mind that civilian cargo has the higher priority, let us start from the other end and decide what is to be the Italian part. We will undoubtedly have warehouses space, etc., and will have to do a lot of work in getting cargo to the Italian government. I frankly do not know what the tonnage coming through the port is now, but I am sure that the military cargo will be somewhat lower than civilian cargo going to the Italian government. Whether the splitting the port into two sections, I propose that it be split into three sections -- one for the U.S., one for the British, and one for the Italian.

Col McKEULIE: There is already a portion of the port designated as the Italian port.

Mr. SMITH: It is not adequate. For the past thirty (30) days we have had an increase in two (2) ships working Civil Affairs cargo in the military part at all times, for we have had no place in the Italian area. The amount of Civil Affairs cargo handled is due to increase considerably.

Col McKEULIE: Since it is the purpose of this meeting to decide whether or not it is practicable to divide the port in two, one side to be controlled by the Americans and the other by the British, any other allocation as far as commercial or military aspects are concerned is something that can be taken care of by both parties apart from this discussion. I believe if we go further into the process we will find that it is taken care of.

IV. DIVISION OF BERTHS

Par. 4. b (1) The following berths would be allocated for British operations:

- 26, 30-3, 42, 44, 44-A, 45, 46, 41, 52, 53, 54, 55

(2) The following berths would remain under U.S. control:

- 1, 2-3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25, 26
- 27, 27-A, 28, 30, 31, 33 and 36 are Navy repair berths.

Col. GILLIES: Over time (2) months' period I find that the most serious thing for British is any one day has been six (6) liberties and four (4) containers. We do not feel that it is desirable for us to take care of the port area than we really need. If the division of the area is made at Berth #37, and from there on up to the present civilian port area is allocated to the British, I believe it would be sufficient. They would give us six (6) liberty berths and four (4) container berths. The division at Berth #37 would allocate one-half of the berth to the British for lightering berth and the other half be used for American or civilian lightering. We would also give up berths 36 and 36-A and also Berth #6, which we do not need for our operations and which we do not want to be responsible for. If berths 36 and 36-A are allocated to civilian use, a barrier must be put up at Berth #6 separating it from the British area.

Col. GILLIES: From the standpoint of this meeting, that is idealistic. There is an other point on Berth #50 in the British area which we feel we will operate, including the civilian authorities, for the discharge of heavy lifts. This could be on a mutual agreement.

Par. 4 b. (3) Four (4) personnel berths, located in area areas is the dry-dock. Berths #72 thru #75, would be operated jointly. These berths are over 40 feet in depth and are suitable only for personnel vessels. They would be allocated and controlled by the present Joint Control Committee, composed of representatives of USN, USM, WSA, MMT, STC, US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, US Marine Corps. In addition, by mutual agreement, British personnel ships could be accommodated at Berth #8 from time to time.

After discussion it was proposed that the American area and at Berth #80, Berths 29, 30, and 31 would be allocated to Italian authorities, the U.S. Army would retain its barge and boat repair facilities on Pier "D" in the Berth #41 and would also retain berths and small craft office and facilities on Pier "E". If this proposal was not approved, the British area and at Berth #80, Berths 29, 30, and 31 would be allocated to Italian authorities, the U.S. Army would retain its barge and boat repair facilities on Pier "D" in the Berth #41 and would also retain berths and small craft office and facilities on Pier "E".

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Col WILLIAMS: From the standpoint of this meeting, that is agreeable. There is one other point -- Berth #40 in the British area would be for use by all concerned, including the civilian authorities, for the discharge of heavy lifts. This would be on a mutual agreement.

Par. 4 b. (5) Your (4) personnel berths, located in area known as the drydock, berths #72 thru #75, would be operated jointly. These berths are over 60 feet in depth and are suitable only for portland cement vessels. They would be allocated and controlled by the present Joint Control Committee, composed of representatives of the US, UK, USA, MAT, SPO, DA, MEX, US Army, presided over by MORGAN Napier. In addition, by mutual agreement, British personnel ships could be accommodated at Berth #66 from time to time.

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After discussion it was proposed that the American area and at Berth #32, Berths #30, #31, and #32 would be allocated to Italian authorities, the U.S. Army would retain its barge and boat repair facilities on Pier #28 in back of Berth #31 and would also retain barge and small craft piers and facilities at end of Pier #28. If this proposal was put into effect, the Italians would operate and control the area, with those exceptions, in the same manner as they now control the present Italian port area.

The area between Piers #28 and #29 are now operating as drydock and repair facilities; Berths #33 and #34 are Navy repair berths. Berths #35 and #36 would be allocated to Italians. Gates #4 and #5 could serve the area from Berth #38 to #47, which would be principally Italian.

Mr. FISHER: While we are on the subject of berths, I am interested in getting a coaling berth, to be used for dumping a stockpile of coal for bunkering ships. Would Berth #62 be available?

Col ACKERLEY: There are no rail facilities there, and I believe that Pier #28 is entirely too valuable a pier to be used for piling coal. It presents the best facilities for cargo movement and should be kept available for cargo. I should think Berth #62 might be used.

Col DANHAMER: Berth #59 would not be suitable since it is too near the tanker berths and fuel lines. A coaling berth is needed for bunkering ships.

Mr. NICOL and Col DANHAMER recommended that a hull be made available to be used as storage for bunkering coal. The ISAC SHIPYARD (without bow) is at Naples and the PORTUGAL (at Biserta) could be made available.

V. ALLOCATION OF SHIPPING

Par. 4 c.

"(1) Ships loading or discharging U.S. or British cargo would be handled in their respective port areas. Civil supplies would continue to be handled in the presently operating Italian port area up to capacity of that area. In cases with peculiar situations arising from the allocation of shipping, the guiding policy would be as follows:

(a) When civil supplies exceed majority of Italian allocated berths, vessels, depending on their flag, would be discharged by either U.S. or British."

Col. McKEITH: When the civilian requirements exceed the capacity of the civilian port, the military portions would exempt, in the same manner as at present. The handling by British or American military authorities would depend upon the control of the vessel -- MAT, WAA, etc. For the purpose of this paper I do not think it has to be decided at this time, but can be taken up further in the future.

Par. 4 d.

"(1)(b) When U.S. or British sources could not meet their respective shipping requirements and there are empty berths available, the discharging of the vessels would be handled on a mutually-aid agreement basis. This allocation would be controlled by Port Control Committee." (Agreed)

VI. RAIL FACILITIES

Par. 4 d.

"Proposed sub-division provides tanks (3) railroads in each section. Allocation of cars, depending upon the priority of traffic and availability of rolling stock, would continue to be controlled by Joint Control Committee. It is contemplated that U.S. requirements for port clearance will continue to decrease and that rail operations, in general, will cover cargo movement depot to port." (Agreed)

VII. MOTOR TRANSPORT

Par. 4 e.

"(1) Trucks of respective services would operate under the control of each and it is not contemplated that there would be any interchange of vehicles for port clearance.

(2) Provision of necessary tracks for operations would be the responsibility of each nation.

(3) Whether U.S. truck lift exists is cause of JIC requirements, this lift could be made available to the British on a daily dispatch basis. During July and August roughly 500 tons per day of British cargo was transported on U.S. trucks with-

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VIII. SHIP MOVEMENTS AND BERTHING

Par. 4 f. "(1) Ship movements would continue to be handled by the Royal Navy.  
(2) Establishment of priorities, if necessary, would be accomplished thru Port Control Committee.  
(3) Berthing of ships, including the provision of pilots and tugs, would continue to be a Royal Navy responsibility."

Lt. Cmdr FINCH I do not think that that is quite the plan. The Italian Navy will be given the responsibility for piloting and berthing.

Col McKENZIE: However, that would be an arrangement between the British Royal Navy and the Italian Navy and would not affect the subject under discussion.

IX. SECURITY

Par. 4.f.

"(1) Lessees would be responsible for security of their respective zones.

"(2) Port areas would be mutually acceptable."

Col JACKSON: It seems that separate plans might be issued for each area and issued by the other, British or American authority, for those personnel who were required to enter both areas. There would be a minimum number of British personnel required to enter the American area. (Approved)

X. EQUIPMENT

Pa. 4.b.

"(1) In view of evaluation of operations in East Coast ports, it is considered that cargo handling equipment (shore) for the British will be unreliable; therefore, all British used shore equipment would be supplied from British sources."

Col JONES: Would not the shipping agencies be responsible for supplying the gear? Why should the British Army keep track of the gear when the shipping agents are doing the work? In other ports we have handed the gear and responsibility for it over to the agents. In Naples I would like to do the same thing.

Mr. REESE: How are you going to hand over gear to ten (10) different companies doing stevedoring work?

Col JONES: At the moment we hand it over to them on loan and we are writing a debits for the record of final turnover. We have been busy in giving agencies taking over this equipment and the responsibility for it. They will eventually have to do it.

Col DAVENNE: Who is going to own the stuff -- the ships' companies?

Col FOWLER: At other ports it has been handed over to the Captains of the port. 15/11/57

Col DAVENNE: What is the original source of this equipment?

Col FOWLER: Some of it has been from STO, some from MAT, and in some other ports it has been from American Transportation. It is suggested that inasmuch as the British have supplied gear for the East Coast British operated ports and the U.S. has supplied the gear for the American controlled port of Naples, the U.S. Army might continue to supply all gear for the whole port of Naples after the sub-division.

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Col MCKENZIE: We cannot hand over equipment to civilian agencies. By War Department Directive we can only declare the quantity of equipment that will be in excess of military requirements; the disposal of the surplus equipm't is turned over to the Army-Navy Liquidation Committee; we cannot say how they will dispose of it.

Col POPPLE: On British equipment, pending a decision for the liquidation of it, I have the authority to hand it over on loan basis in the meantime.

Col MCKENZIE: We cannot hand over U.S. equipment on a loan basis.

Col DUMAS: We have turned over to Allied Commission enough equipment, including porters, fork-lifts, etc. for the operation of Castellone to operate the whole port. We cannot hand equipment over to civilian agencies. It might possibly be arranged to coordinate through USA.

Col MCKENZIE: Where is the cargo handling gear coming from? It will have to come from British sources, for the U.S. cannot supply it. Are we in agreement that the British will supply the gear for their area?

Col POPPLE: Cannot the U.S. continue to supply the equipment for the whole port?

Col DARRINGER: That point will have to be argued; we will pass it up for the moment.

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Par. 4.1. "(1) American labor would be allocated and trained over to the British for control, maintenance, etc. responsibility to the hands of their own."

Col WESTER: That will mean we will have to take over maintenance of airports. We will have to see for training facilities. What is expected to the extent of flying facilities in the post -- that will be in the American hands of the post. Can the American mission to maintain the airport?

Col WESTER: Our purpose is to return personnel to the United States. Do you not have people to do the job?

Col DARRINGER: Due to the small number of officers, I believe we could carry on the control with our maintenance people. At the end of that time, there will be an entirely new situation and a large part to be done by agents.

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Par. 4.2. "(1) We will better have taken to ourselves, they will remain under American control and operation. The service will be provided over a control post."

II. LABOR

Par. 4.1. "(1) American firms now under control of post operation would be made available to British authorities for employment."

(2) Contracts would be such as to provide self-sufficiency. (a) Adoption of this plan would take perhaps the form into process of a Post Detachment, less one (1) section. The job of this detachment is for greater utilization of British operational units would provide for release of facilities that are also available to adequately handle British operations.

Col DARRINGER: Does it get out labor?

Col WESTER: Practically all of our labor is British labor. It is labor is spread uniformly from you end of the post to the other. We have no British labor working in post labor. American labor is subject to a central agency, the Post Labor Office. The facilities are employed contractors, contractors until their removal. Some of the labor (1) contractors are now working in the British post area for WPA and GAC.

Col DARRINGER: Do you change the contract labor on a regular basis?

must be taken at 0630.

Part 4 b.

"(3) As all harbor berths were unoccupied, they would remain under American control and operation. The services would be provided thru a central pool."

21. LABOR

Par. 4 1.

"(1) Stevedore firms now under control of port operations would be made available to British authorities for employment.

(2) Contracts would be such as to provide uniform wages etc.

(a) Adoption of this plan would make possible the immediate release of a Port Battalion, less one (1) Company. The plan of this headquarters for greater utilization of labor for port operations would provide for release of sufficient number of civilian stevedores to adequately handle British operations.

Col. ACKERLEY: Where do you get your labor?

Col. MILLER: Practically all of your labor is civilian labor. Civil labor is spread uniformly from one end of the port to the other. We have no soldiers working as civil labor. Civilian labor or units is engaged thru a central agency, the Port Labor Office. The stevedores are employed through contractors; contractors supply their own men. Some of the five (5) companies are now working in the Italian port area for USF and USA.

Col. TOWNE: Do you engage the contract labor on a contract basis?

Col. MILLER: No, the contractors supply their own stevedores.

Contractors are furnished a mid-day meal, a deduction for which is made from their wages. In the civilian port they do not get food. They pay in the civilian area, and in the military area are supposed to be on no pay basis except that the civilian area does not provide or deduct for a work meal. I follow a directive from JMW and/or JMWJ establishes the contents of the soup, the size of the bread, and the price to be deducted.

Col. ACKERLEY: I do not know whether we can provide a next-day meal.

Col. MILLER: I am not in a position to say how important it is at this time, but I do not feel that you would have any trouble locating labor with or without the meal.

Mr. VICM: All through the northern part of Italy I noticed large commercial warehouses where meals could be purchased by laborers; there are none in this area.

Col DAVENPORT: I believe there should be a complementary set up to take care of their work as far as feed is concerned. Submarine the invention in pilot will be greater.

Col McKEITHEN: However, that is a mutual problem.

III. INITIAL PLAN RESPONSIBILITY

Par. 4. 1. Each agency -- British, Italian, U.S. -- would be responsible for installing, operating, and maintaining physical facilities required for operation of its system of post, specifically including signal system, including teletype and switchboard, lighting, fire protection, roads, buildings, and docks.

Col ACKERLY: I do not know whether we are prepared to furnish switchboard, etc.

Col HOFFMANN: I think this point could very well be left to a mutual agreement between the two parties concerned, or on a mutual temporary basis. There is no sense in ripping out final installation and putting in new ones. Fire fighting equipment which serves one ship could also serve the other.

Col DILLON: In the present Italian crew we left all facilities and retained the set-up for fire fighting. However, sometime in the future the civilians must take over the fire fighting of the port.

It does not specifically state this in the letter, but it is intended that the British restrictions in the proposed agreement portion of the plan will move into the British crew.

Col ACKERLY: Agreed, although it will take us some time to move some installations.

Col McKEITHEN: That date is recommended for the subdivision of the port I would suggest between the 25th and 10th of October.

Col ACKERLY: I believe we must have more time than that, for there are many details we must consider. I would suggest a month from date, but we can try to make it by the 10th of October.

Col ACKERLY: Will you be giving up any recommendations in Naples? We can take over any part of the port unless we have recommendations for troops. Are

Col. ACHERLEY: I do not know whether we are prepared to furnish anti-aircraft lighting, fire protection, mess, utilities, and other

Col. MORTIMER: I think this point could very well be left to a mutual agreement between the two parties concerned, on an actual three-way basis. There is no action in ripping out fixed installations and putting in new ones. The fighting equipment which serves one area could also serve the other.

Col. WALLACE: In the present facilities area we left all facilities and retained the set-up for fire fighting. However, sometime in the future the civilian must take over the fire fighting of the port.

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Col. ACHERLEY: Agreed, although it will take us some time to move some installations.

Col. MORTIMER: What date is recommended for the sub-division of the port? I would suggest between the 15th and 10th of October.

Col. ACHERLEY: I believe we must have more time than that, for there are many details we must consider. I would suggest a month from date, but we can try to make it by the 20th of October.

Col. MORTIMER: Will you be giving up any accommodations in Naples? <sup>2854</sup> We can not take over any part of the port unless we have accommodations for troops. Are you releasing any property?

Col. WALLACE: I have been directed to demarcation as much property as is possible that we are now in the process of that.

Col. ACHERLEY: As I understand it, once you demarcation property, it will not be possible to re-occupation it. Can you hold up on any demarcation until we consider this problem further?

Col. WALLACE: I have been directed by higher authority to accomplish this immediately.

Col. MORTIMER: I would suggest that you contact your higher authorities on the British side and see what can be arranged on that.

XIII. DISCUSSION RE ITALIAN PORT FACILITIES

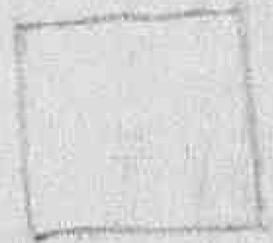
Mr. KIGLI: The civilian area is not now taking care of USA ships arriving with civilian cargo. More and more civilian cargo will be arriving some (Y) ships are at their very own. Customs will be installed and a more thorough checking system will be set up; the picture will not be as it has been in the past. We do need piers and other facilities for handling this cargo.

My next decision now what shall be the Italian part area, rather than with another thirty (30) days and relocate a section of the part after it has been divided in two. Can be in the #29, #31, #33, and #35, together with #37, #39 and #41 be given to the Italians.

Col. WILSON: That is agreeable, in all probability, with the exception of Piers #1 and #2, Piers #3 and #4 will give us good facilities as anything in the part.

Col. MONTAGNA: That that will be considered as an additional proposal -- that Piers #5, #6, #7, #8, and #9 be turned over to Italian authorities.

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(1) Ministry/Marine to Campbell  
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Done, September 20, 1945.  
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RECOMMENDATION (2) Campbell Committee (with  
Army Recommendations) to

to Labor Sub-Commission, Allied Commission  
Mr. Proctor.

AFHQ

Subject: Acquisition of docks in Naples.

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In reference to your conversation of yesterday with  
a representative of the Embassy regarding the request of Marina  
de Alfano, secretary of the National Federation of Italian  
Entrepreneurs, for the transmission of two docks in the port of  
Naples (S. Pietro and S. Paolo). There is attached a  
copy of the letter received from de Alfano and a copy of the  
Embassy's reply recommending that the request be submitted to  
the Italian Ministry of Marine for appropriate action.

Charles A. Livingston  
Counselor for Economic Affairs

Enclosures: 2.-

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cc: Economic Section, Allied Commission.  
Shipping Sub-Commission, Allied Commission. ✓  
Transportation Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.  
Army Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

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CONFEDERAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA DEL LAVORO.

Federazione Italiana Lavoratori Sicil.

Roma, 14 settembre 1948

Mr. John Clark Adams  
Labor Attache - American Embassy

R O M A

Carissimo Signor Adams,

La ringrazio, innanzi tutto, dell'interessamento da Lei dimostrato per la categoria da me rappresentata.

In merito alla richiesta, Le comunico che dovrebbero essere lasciate libere da parte degli alleati le seguenti persone: CRANII e VITTORIO MANUELLO II.

Le suddette persone sono quelle immediatamente seguenti alle altre già in mano dei lavoratori italiani.

Orato per quanto Ella farà perché le persone sopra indicate vengano restituite ai nostri lavoratori, nel ringraziarla nuovamente Le invio i miei cordiali saluti.

IL SEGRETARIO DELLA FEDERAZIONE

Mario De Stefano

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Roma, 29 settembre 1945.

Preghiatissimo Signor De Stefano,

Nell'occasione del Signor Adamo, ho evocato alla Sua lettera del 14 corrente in cui è fatta richiesta che le carceri CRUCIOLI e VITTORIO MANFREDI II del porto di Napoli vengano lasciate libere da parte delle autorità alleate.

La sua richiesta è stata presentata ad un funzionario della Labor Sub-Commission il quale però ha fatto presente la necessità che lei presenti formale domanda al Ministero della Marina il quale inoltrerà la domanda stessa alle competenti autorità alleate.

Spiacente di non poterle aiutare di più, non posso che consigliarle di seguire la procedura sopra indicata.

Con i più sinceri saluti,

Charles A. Livingston  
Consigliere per gli Affari Economici

Reg. no  
Signor Marino De Stefano  
Federazione Italiana Lavoratori Porti,  
Via Casanovagli, 19  
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SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER  
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS  
AND NAVALS OFFICERS  
APO JJA

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20 September, 1945

SUBJECT: Port Operations

TO : Colonel Barth  
Port Commandant, Naples  
Ministry of Marine

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- (b) A proper check of persons and vehicles was not being made at Gate.
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SENTE TRANSPORTATION OFFICER  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS  
AND NAVAL OFFICERS  
APO 394

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20 September, 1945

SUBJECT: Port Operations

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Ministry of Marine

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(b) As some guards are idle when other guards are not available, it is believed you would find it advisable to have only one group of guards for all purposes. In this connection, I have asked to have a company of 150 military guards trained by American Military Police put at disposal of port and warehouses in this area.

(c) Report promptly to this office any requirements for stowaging gear or equipment you are not able to get through your Liaison Officer with 8th Port Commandant.

(d) Survey again your requirements for additional berths with a view to approaching military authorities as this may be an appropriate time for negotiations. Let us know what are your findings and we can take the matter up with 8th Port Commandant.

For the Commissioner:

*T. E. HASKET*  
T. E. HASKET  
Captain, Spec-Des  
Port Liaison Officer

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