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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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Our Ref :- AC/610/180/Tn.3. 28 September 1945

SUBJECT :- "L Mocenigo".

TO :- Direzione Generale della Marina Mercantile
Ministero della Marina
ROMA.

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For the Director :-

L.P.Laraman

M.P.LARAMAN
Major R.E.

Copy to :- M.W.T. Rome.

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GENERAL DIRECTORS OFFICE OF THE MERCHANT MARINE
INSPECTORATE OF MARINE SERVICE

MEMO

~~Notice~~ for the Transportation S/C

20-9-45

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The proposal that the usual passengers going to Sardinia, via Civitavecchia - Olbia book their places at the "Tirrenia" Office in Rome, would avoid the excessive crowding of Travellers at the port of Civitavecchia waiting the departure.

In this case however travellers coming from North Italy on reaching Civitavecchia would have to go to Rome to buy their tickets, thus un necessarly increasing the trip by the distance Rome-Civitavecchia and back. This would be a loss of time and money.

Please rexamine the question so as to avoid the mentioned inconvenience.

(sgd) ~~illegible~~
- MATTEINI

Mr. Harvey - Gen Matteini -

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Direzione Generale della Marina Mercantile
Ispettorato dei Servizi Marittimi

Nota per la Sottocommissione Trasporti

La proposta che i passeggeri comuni diretti in Sardegna per la via Cvecchia-Olbia, prenotino i posti presso l'Ufficio di Roma della "Tirrenia" eviterebbe l'afflusso eccessivo di partenti nello scalo di Civitavecchia in attesa di partenza.

Si verificherebbe pero' l'inconveniente che i viaggiatori provenienti dal Nord, giungendo a Civitavecchia, dovrebbero proseguire per Roma per fare il biglietto, ed effettuare quindi in piu' il tratto Civitavecchia = Roma e viceversa senza un'assoluta necessita'. Cio' porterebbe maggior perdita di tempo e maggior spesa per tali viaggiatori.

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TRANSLATION. COMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI.

MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT. MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE.
NAPLES. 4th September. 1945.
SUBJECT. M.V. "LAZZARO MOCENIGO".

In reply to your letter 3825/2/9 dated the 2nd inst we beg to inform you that the "LAZZARO MOCENIGO" has from this day replaced the S.S. "LANGANO" on the run between Olbia and Civita Vecchia,and will make two weekly sailings from Olbia and two weekly sailings from C.Vecchia as follows

OLBIA	Sailing on Sunday evening.
CIVITA VECCHIA	Arrival on Monday morning.
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OLBIA	Arrival on Wednesday early morning.
OLBIA	Sailing on Wednesday evening.
CIVITA VECCHIA	Arrival on Thursday morning.
CIVITA VECCHIA	Sailing on Friday evening.
OLBIA	Arrival on Saturday morning.

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An income tax equivalent to 4% on the total amount is also to be charged.

LUGGAGE. No charge up to 25 Kilos per person. Above 25 Kilos a charge of L. 75. per every 10 kilos or fraction of 10 Kilos in excess is to be made.

CHILDREN. No charge up to three years of age. Over three and up to ten years of age a fare amounting to half the full fare is to be charged. Full fare is to be charged above 10 years.of age.

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General cargo	Ist Category	L. 3430.	per 1000 Kilos.
" "	2nd "	L. 2708.	" " "
" "	3rd "	L. 2031.	" " "
" "	4th "	L. 1259.	" " "

plus 4% Income Tax,excluding loading trimming and un-loading.

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For the Director.

Signed. E.Bobba.

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OFFICE OF THE
BRITISH MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT

Tel. 843241-9 Extn. 37

Rome, 20th August 1945.

To : Allied Commission Headquarters.
Transportation Sub-Commission.

Subject : Ferry Service Olbia/C.Vecchia.

Confirming our phonic conversation, the "LAZZARO MOCENIGO" will not now drydock in Naples on Wednesday but will continue the Service on the following schedule:-

OLBIA	- Sailing -	Monday evening.
CIVITAVECCHIA	- Arrival -	Tuesday morning.
do.	- Sailing -	Wednesday evening.
OLBIA	- Arrival -	Thursday morning.
do.	- Sailing -	Friday evening.
CIVITAVECCHIA	- Arrival -	Saturday morning.
do.	- Sailing -	Sunday evening.
OLBIA	- Arrival -	Monday morning.

It is noted that the vessel has cargo space for some 50 tons and goods formerly carried in the "LANGANO" should therefore be shipped by her.

A.J.Harvey.

copy: Displaced persons and Prisoners of War Section.
D.M.W.T.R. C.Vecchia.(2)
Direzione Generale of the Merchant Marine.
Itmare
M.W.T. Correspondent, Cagliari.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: SEPT 8/1715B

Message Centre No: F/7066

Date Time Rec'd: SEPT 9/1500B

Precedence: URGENT

FROM WAR MINISTRY OF/TRANSPORT CIVITAVECCHIA

TO : ACTION: MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVE, MED AFHQ, CMF, INFO: MWTRMED HQ AC CMF, WSA AFHQ CMF, HQ AC TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION CMF

UNCLASSIFIED.

Sardinian passenger ferry MOCENIGO damaged by underwater explosion near number 8 berth when heaving up anchor also barge loaded with supplies ex WILLIAM CUSHING sunk, 2 other barges damages. Capitaneria di porto requesting assistance Ministry of Marine ROME to place craft or equipment at his disposal to investage whether other bombs or mines exist in this area view impending dredging operation

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Tel. 534

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Transportation Sub)Commission

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Our Ref :- AC/610/174/Tn.3.

24 August, 1945

SUBJECT :- A.C. Shipping Memorandum No. 3

TO :- CO.GE.NA.
Via dei Cestari N° 3 - Roma -

1. Reference attached letter NO. 480/SC/P from CO.GE.NA Naples, dated 18 Aug. which is passed to you.

2. According to para 7 of A.C. Shipping Memorandum N° 3, 10 tickets priority N° 1 are retained until 2 days before sailing date and we see no reason to change this.

3. The attached letter says that 10 first class tickets have been retained until the departure. This is contrary to the Shipping Memorandum and it would appear that CO.GE.NA at Naples have not clearly understood the instructions.

For the Director :-

M.P.LARAMAN
Major R.E.

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TRANSLATION GB/fl

Co.Ge.Na.

32; Pzs Carità

Naples

Ref: 480/SC/P -

Naples- 15 August 45

SUBJECT : Shipment of passengers on the Cagliari -Naples- Palermo line

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Apo 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

For 3.

With reference to the para 5) of the "Shipping Memorandum N. 3" of 15 Decembre 1944, concerning the priority order fixed by the Sub-Commission for the embarking of passengers on the Cagliari-Naples line, we bring your attention to the fact that up to now, according to the previously fixed orders and unless it was not necessary to embark a greater number of passengers of priority n.1, we have always received until the moment of the departure ten first class seats at the departure from Naples to Cagliari and from Naples to Palermo for the Allied personnel and Officials, refusing a correspondent number of seats to other passengers or postponing at the moment of the departure their definite settlement in cots -

In order to avoid that those 10 seats or part of them should eventually remain inutilized whenever they will not be occupied by allied officials and personnel, we beg the Commission to examine the opportunity that the above mentioned seats should not be reserved until the departure of the ship, but until few days before the departure -

If the Sub-Commission will accept our proposal, please specify how many days before the departure from this port, seats must be reserved for passengers of priority n. 1-

Best regards.

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For the Director

(sgd) Reg. Ettore Bobba

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our ref.: AC/610/170/Tn 3

10 July 1945

SUBJECT : Utilization of Shipping
between Sardinia and Mainland

TO : Itmare

1. Herewith copy of translation of an article which is to appear shortly in the Sardinian Press.

2. The suggestions therein clearly merit consideration, and it will be for you to decide what action should be taken in regard to them.

For the Director:

M.F. LARAMAN,
Major, R.E.

Copy to : D.M.W.T.M. Zone 3
Navy House Naples

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FROM: CO:GE:NA.
TO: MW.T.R. MED.

DATE: 13/8/45.

SUBJECT: M.V. "LAZZARO MOCENIGO".

This vessel has been requisitioned by the Ministry of the Italian Marine and handed over to MEDBO who have decided to use her for voyages from Olbia to Civitavecchia and vice versa. She is therefore no longer an auxiliary vessel to the Italian Navy.

The following programme has been suggested by us to the Ministry of Marine, Rome:

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do.	-	Sailing	-	Sunday evening.
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(Signed) E. BOBBA.

for Manager.

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HEADQUARTERSALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/41/G-II (IT) Tel.489081 Ext.594 11 August 1945

SUBJECT : Sailings - Civitavecchia - Sardinia.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission A.C.
W.M.D. & I.P.W. Sub Commission A.C.

1. Attached herewith, for your information please find copy of letter from British Ministry of War Transport. ref. No. 37, dated 7 August 1945.

For the Director:

C.A. OLIVER
Lt.Colonel
G-1 Italian.

Capt. Smart - 12th S/E Regt RE Corps HQ
Vessels - 14 months to date
adaptation of since 1st Oct (also)

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COPY

7th August 1945

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TO : Direzione Generale of the
Merchant Marine.

SUBJECT : Request for steamer for service
Olbia C. Vecchia.

The application for a passenger steamer for service between Sardinia and the Mainland, contained in your letter of 20th July has been favourably considered by Madbo, and it is proposed to place "LAZZARO MOCENIGO" on the C. Vecchia/Olbia line in the near future.

A.J. Harvey

Copy to : Displaced Persons and Prisoners of War
Section HQ AC.

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Tele : 681687

COMITATO GESTIONE NAVI
" CO. GE. NA. "
Ufficio Presidenza

ATM/fd

Our ref.: 1396

Rome, 9 August 1945

SUBJECT : m/s MOCENIGO

TO : HQ.AC.,Rome - Transportation S/C
Movements Div.- Shipping Branch
(Attn : Maj. M.P.Laraman, R.A.)

1. Attached as per your request, prints of Sections of subject ship and detailed list of her main characteristics.

By Order of the President :

A. T. MARENA

Encl.: 1

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m/s MOCENIGO

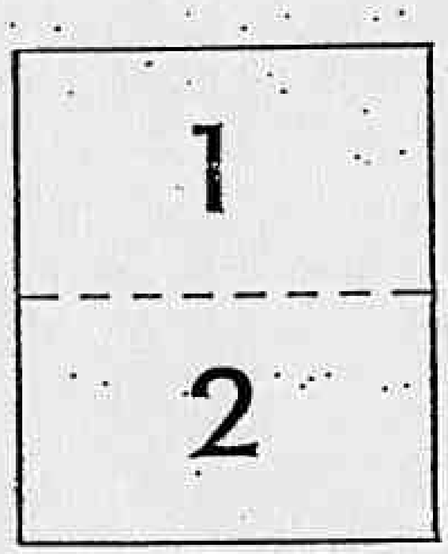
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Displacement (with full cargo)	1657 tons
Draught	3,81 meters
Gross tonnage	1403 tons
Net "	592 "
Motor	2100 HP
Speed (trials)	14,6 Knots
" (normal)	12 "
Passengers accomodation	I cl. 63 II " 21 Deck 196 Total 380
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Cargo hatch	4 x 3 meters
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Lifting capacity	1,5 tons
Cargo capacity	350 "

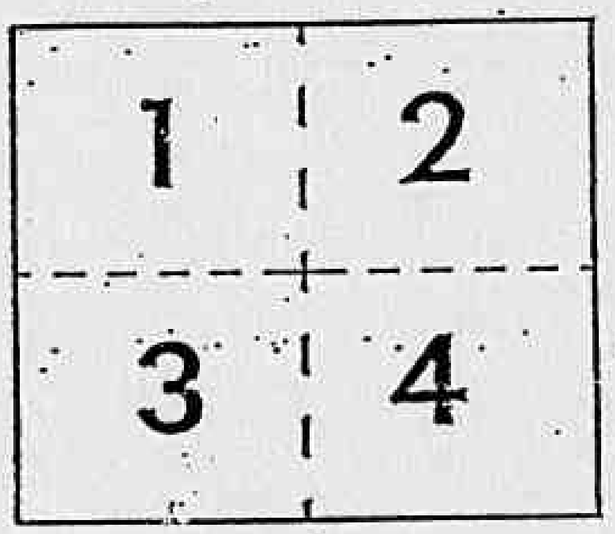
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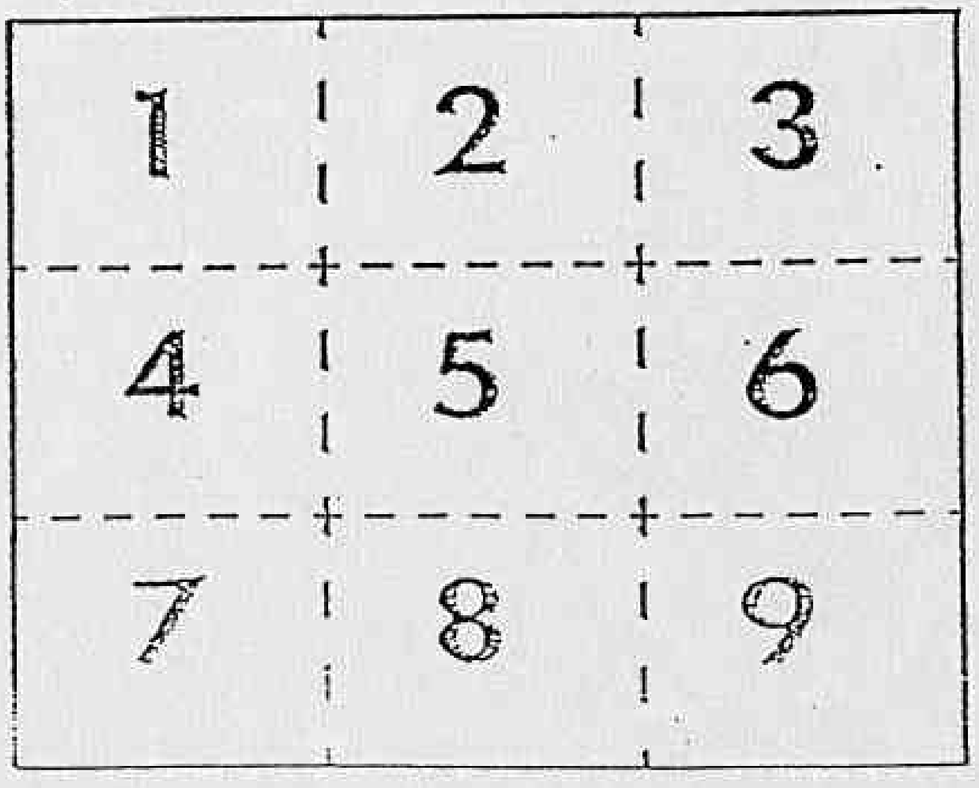
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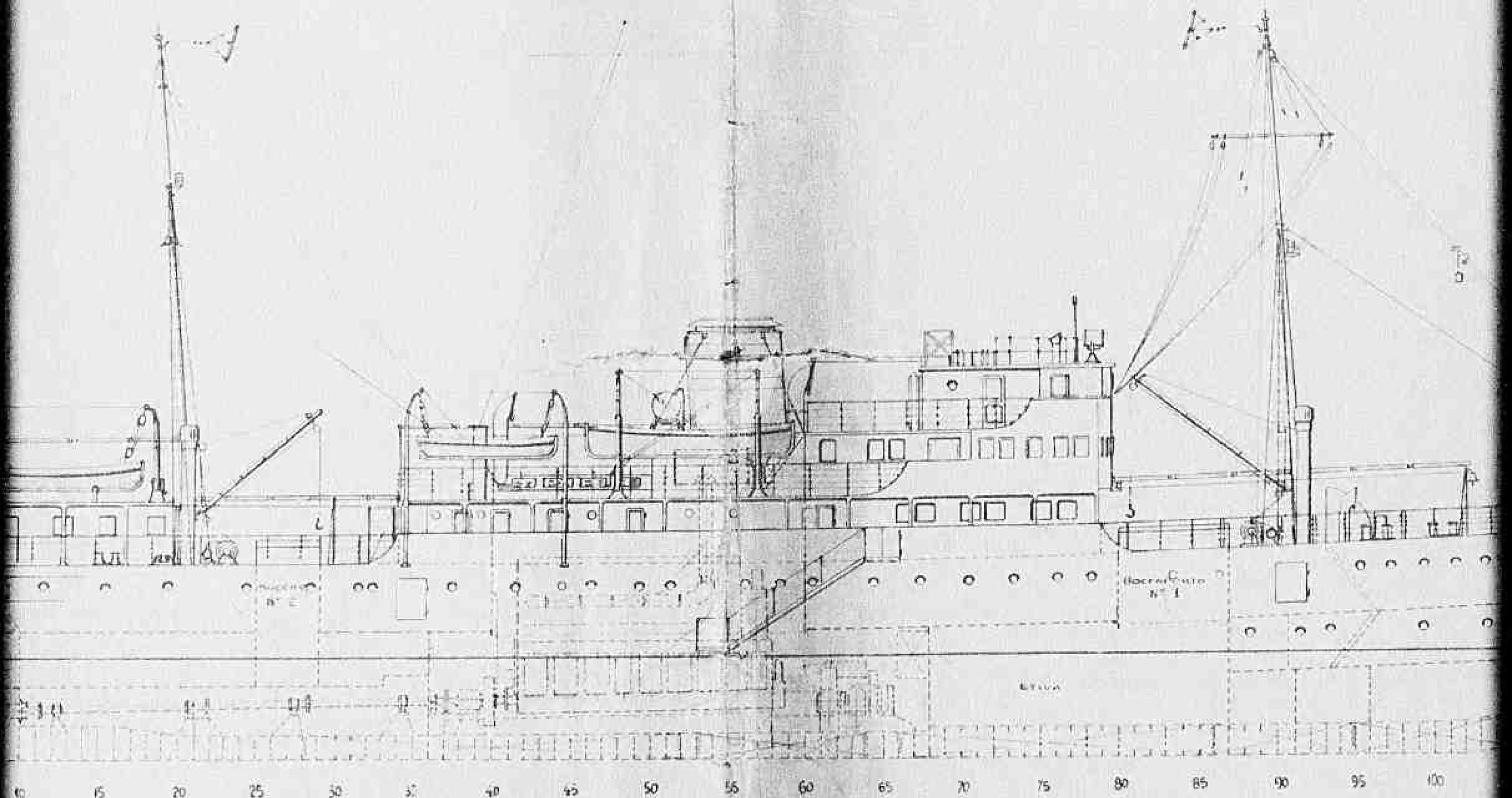
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GITUDINALE

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M/N LORENZO MARCELLO
M/N LAZZARO MOCENIGO
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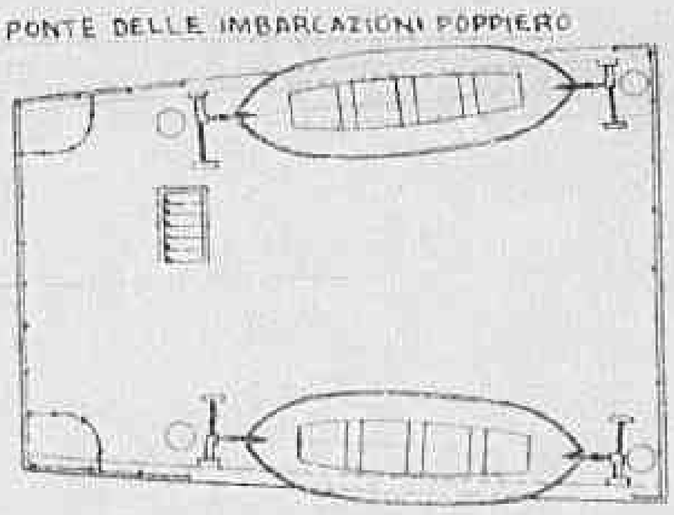
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7 SALA DA PRANZO I CL.
8 CABINA I° UFF.
9 " II° "
10 " RADIOTELEGRAFISTA
11 " RADIO
12 " MAESTRO DI CASA
13 SALETTA UFF.
14 INTERCAPEDINE
15 W.C.
16 RIPOSTO I° CL.
17 APPARTAMENTINO
18 BAGNO E W.C.
19 SALA DA PRANZO II CL.
20 TIMONERIA
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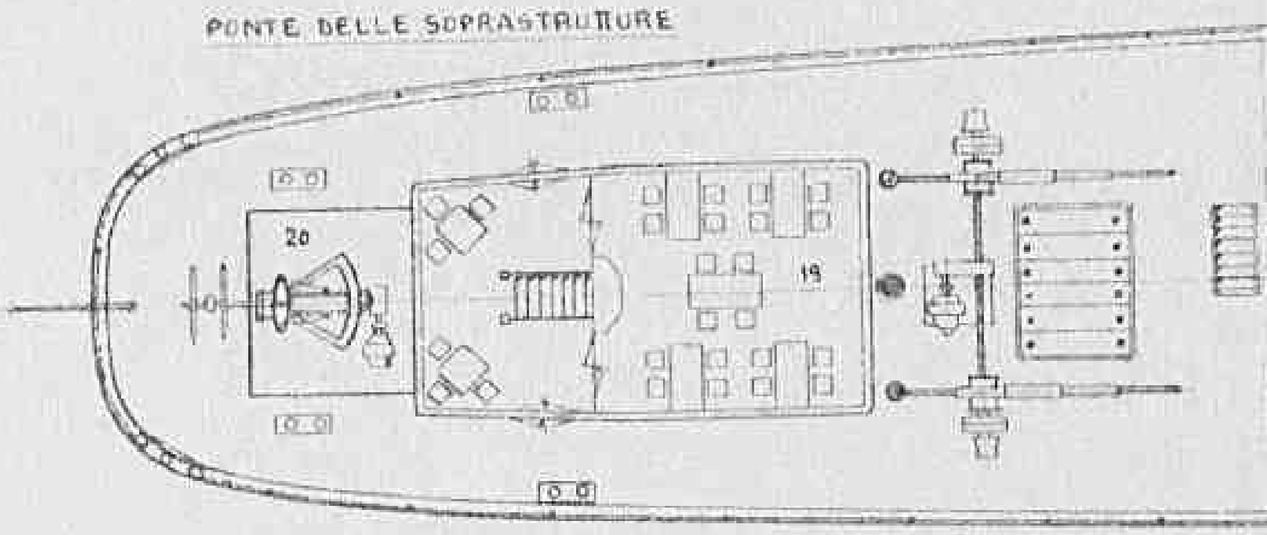
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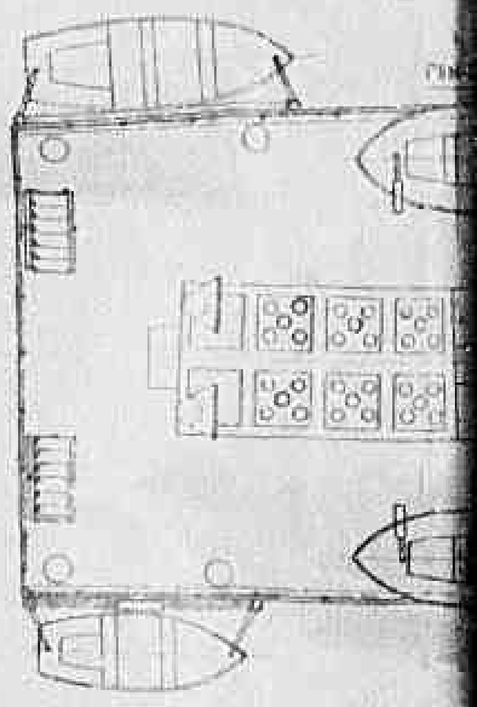
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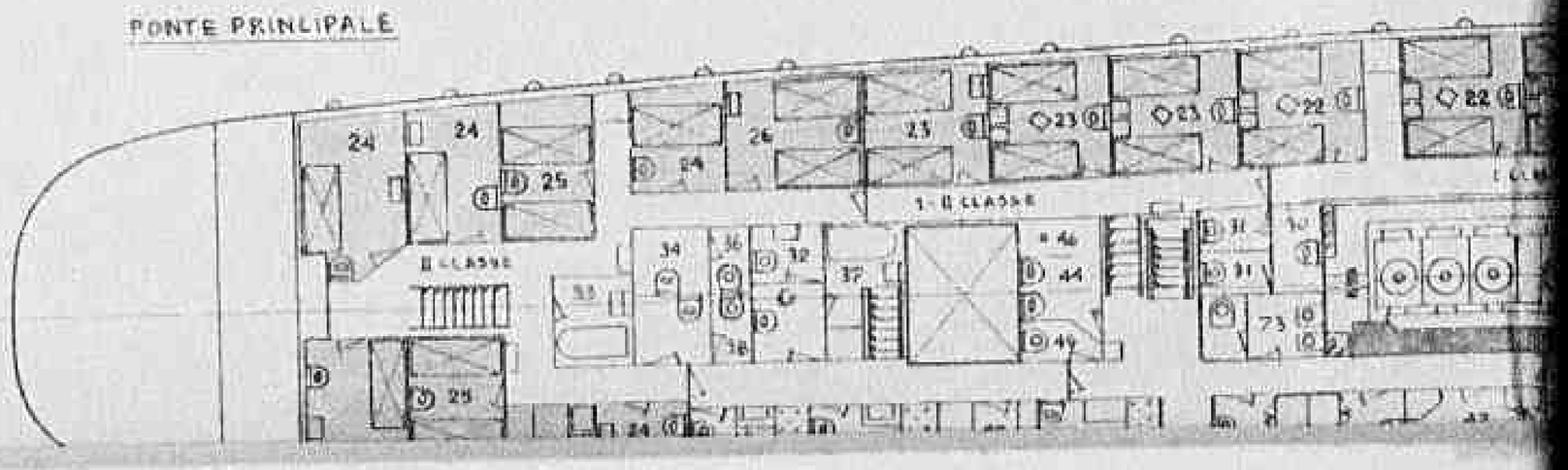


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PONTE PRINCIPALE



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M/N LORENZO MA

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PONTE DELLE IMBARCAZIONI CENTRALE

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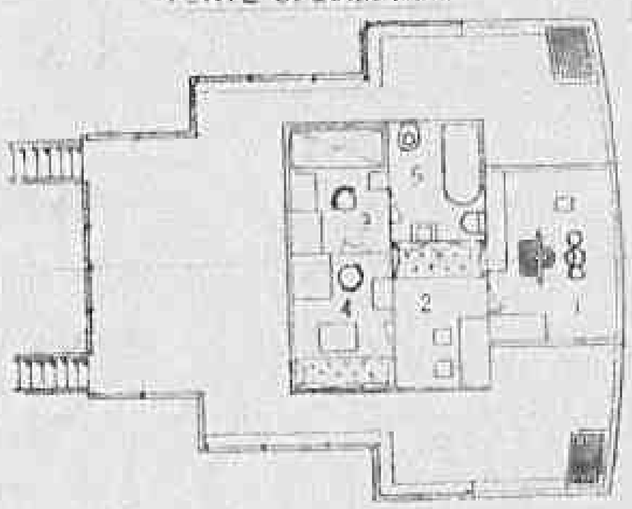
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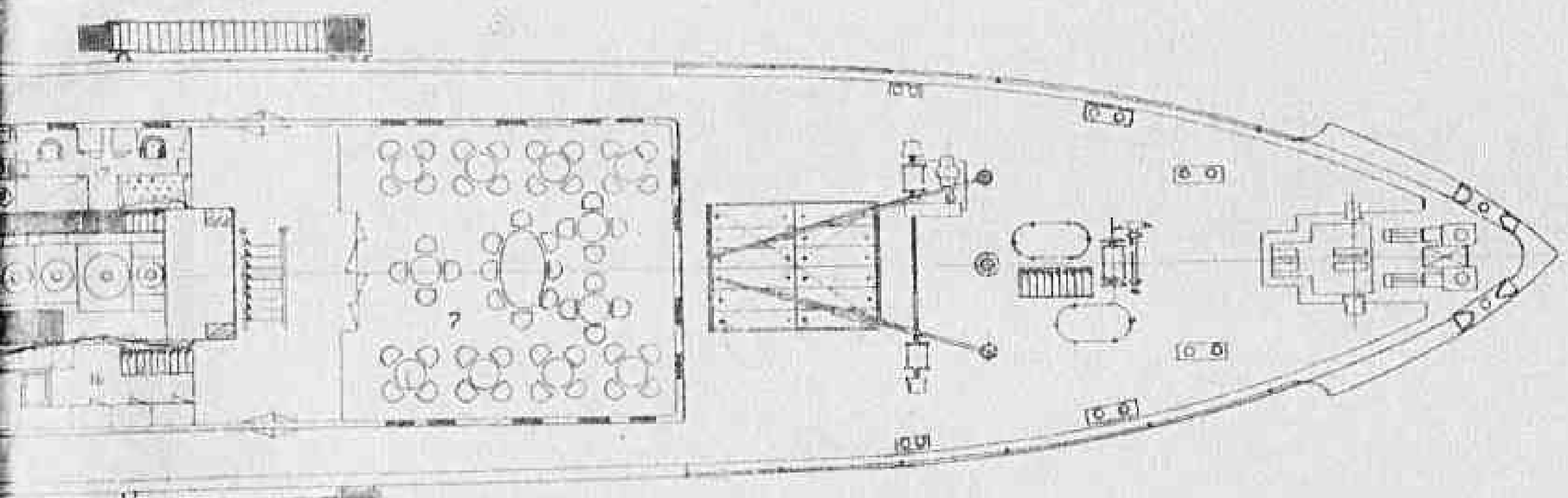
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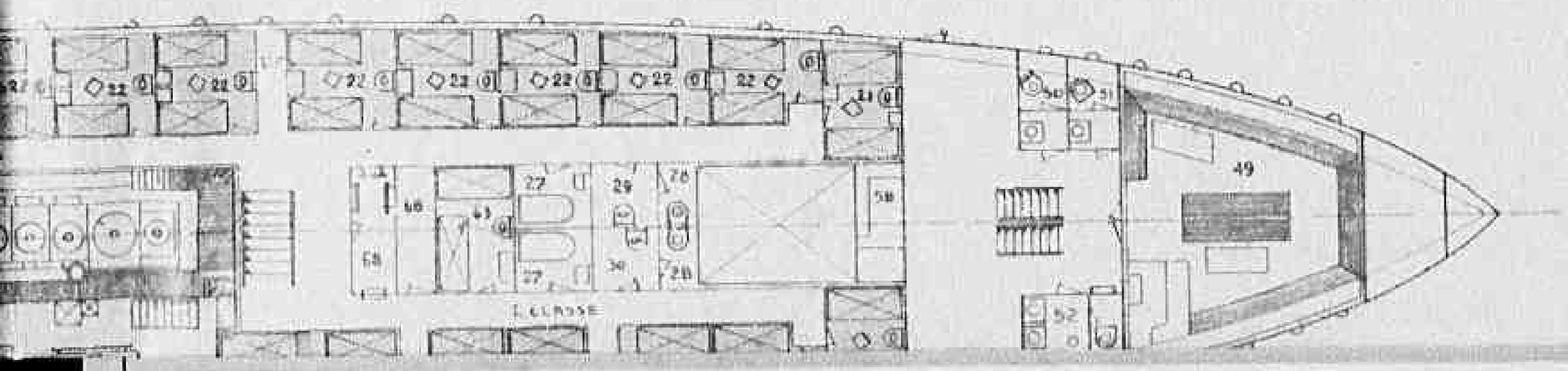
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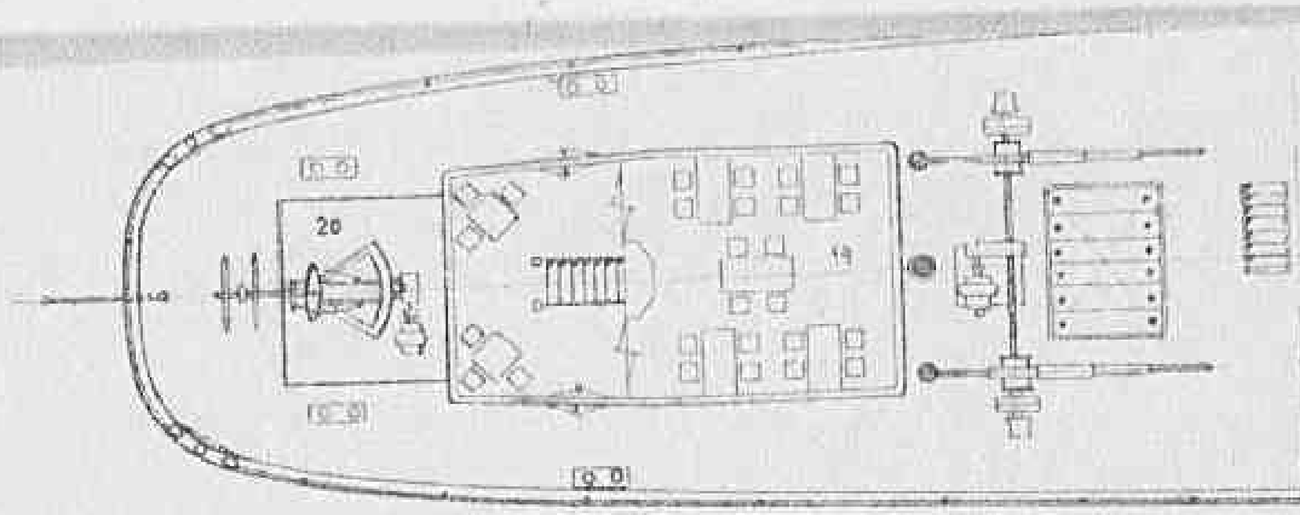




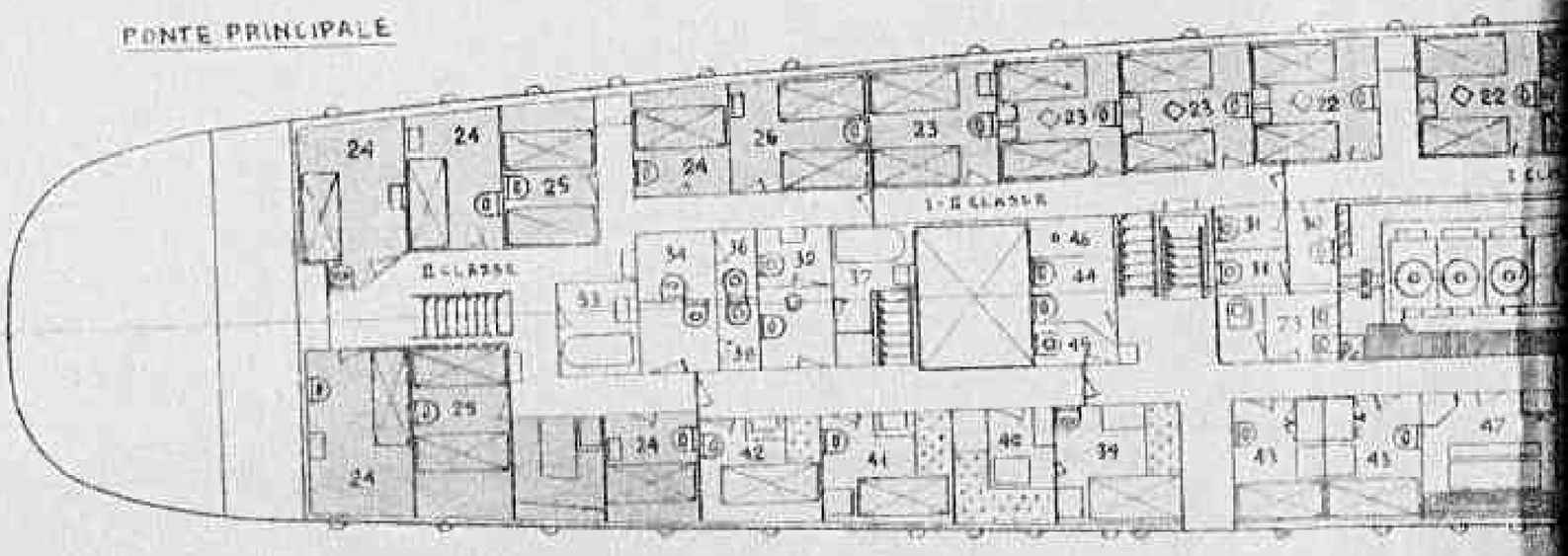
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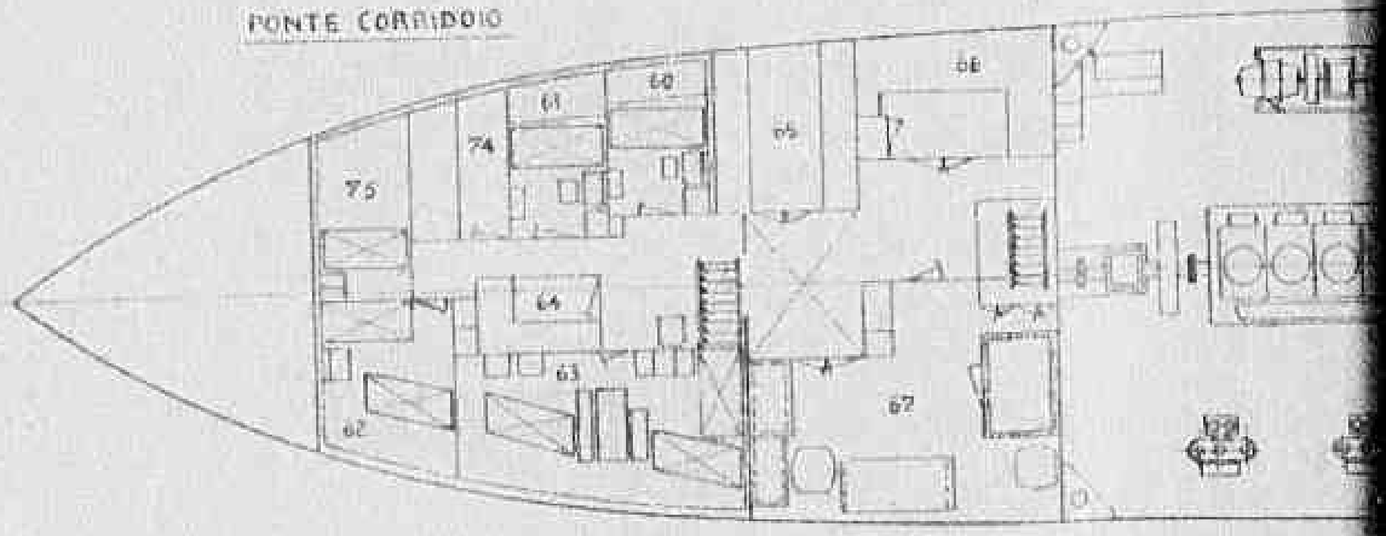
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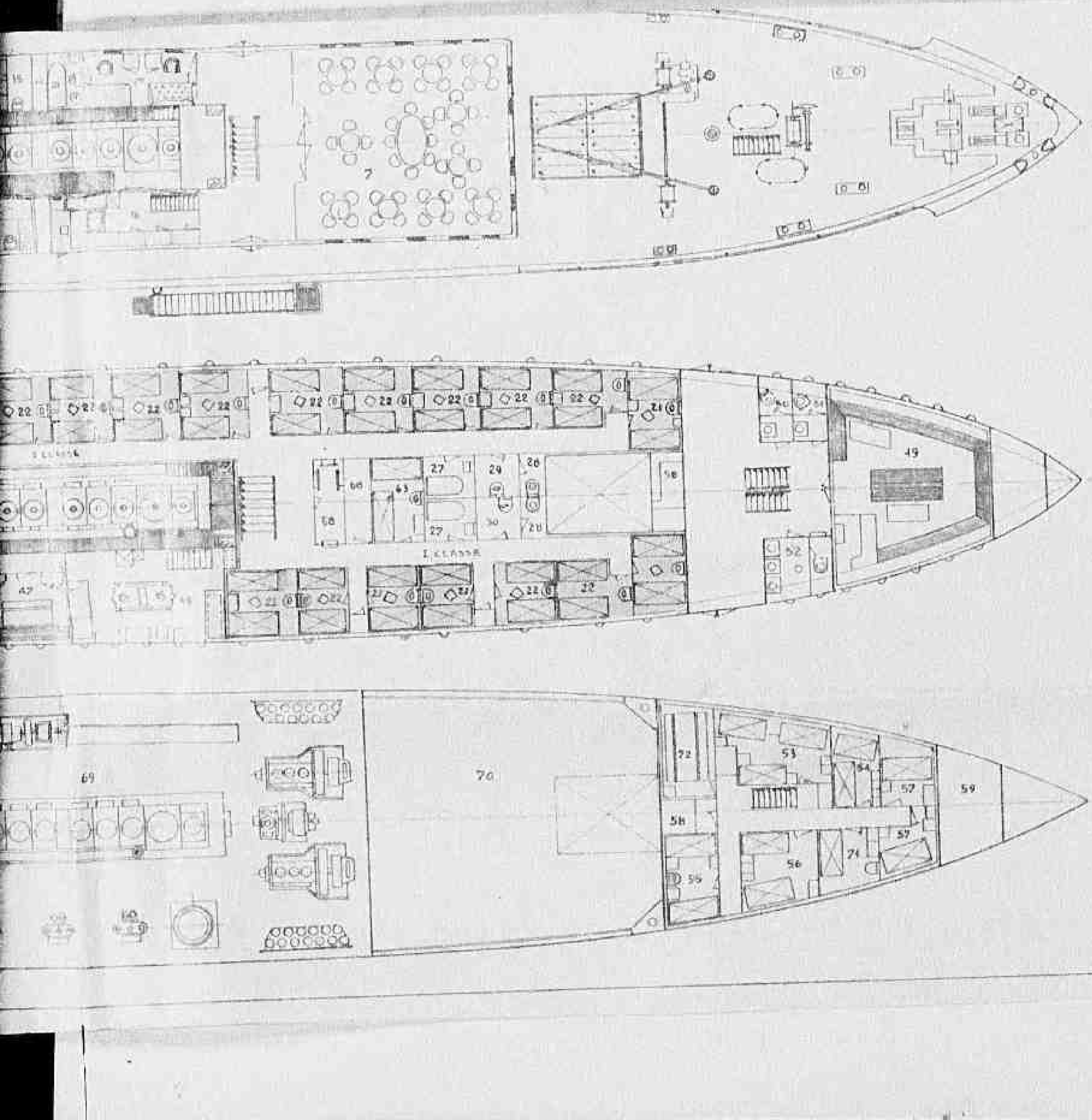


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Mrs Lawrence

Thus should seem our summary of the suggestions. The necessary authorizations to change the Schoolmaster's title required authorization from Cantu. ITMARE has received a copy of the suggestions but has given us any criticism.

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DA SERVIRE PER LE SPEDIZIONI FERROVIARIE

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COMMISSARIATO PER IL COORDINAMENTO DELLE IMPORTAZIONI
E DELLE ESPORTAZIONI DELLE MERCI PER LA SARDEGNA

Ufficio di _____

RICHIESTA N. _____

Autorizzazione N. _____ del _____

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è autorizzat__ a far affluire al Porto di _____

per essere imbarcate alla volta del Continente / della Sardegna, le seguenti merci:

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(descrizione e quantità delle merci)

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destinate _____
(nome, cognome e indirizzo del destinatario)

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IL COMMISSARIO

N. B. – In via normale ad ogni lettera di vettura deve essere allegata l'autorizzazione a spedizione.
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allegata alla spedizione N. _____ del _____

Per l'Ufficio emittente

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DA SERVIRE PER IL TRASPORTO VIA MARE

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: Y500

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 201130

Message Centre No: E/5903

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 201200B

Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: MMIA LO S/1A SGD ALBERT

TO : ALCOM INFO MMIA

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Your signal 9217 of 7 June authorized increase from 100 to 200 per ship for Italian Service personnel on ABBAZIA and CAMPIDOGLIO. By (?) para 4 of your letter AC/501/54/TN3 of 10 June you authorize only 100 deck passengers for Italian Service personnel. Request clarification.

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Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 171107B

Message Centre No: E/5506

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 172200B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: CINC MED

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On completion discharge ABAZZIA reloads at CAGLIARI for NAPLES and PALERMO to discharge then reloads at PALERMO for NAPLES and CAGLIARI to discharge. Pass to DMWTR's concerned.

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Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 171108B

Message Centre No: E/5507

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 172200B

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: CINC MED

TO : COMNOB PALERMO, INFO: NOIC NAPLES SNOWIT FOTALI, BNLO CAGLIARI, HQ AC RCME

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On completion discharge CAMPIDOGLIO reloads at PALERMO for NAPLES and CAGLIARI to discharge then reloads at CAGLIARI for NAPLES and PALERMO to discharge. Pass to DMWTR's concerned.

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Originator's Reference: F 94154

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 162109B

Message Centre No: E/5370

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 162200B

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGEG

TO : ACTION AICOM ROME

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Civil supplies. Ref our FX 93625 of 15, further information follows, (DWLT).

1. STEPHEN R MALLORY BA 262 carries vehicles on wheels (14 number) 49 and sugar 456 total 94.

2. GEORGE W NORRIS BA 264 carries vehicles on wheels (31 number) 66.

3. STEPHEN CRANE, from MIDEAST, has shipped to period 5 to 14 July.

4. Add in period 25 June to 4 July; MOSES BROWN with wheat bulk 8554.

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Info - Chief Commissioner
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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Originator's Reference: FX 93714
Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 15/1906B

Message Centre No: E/5233
Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 16/1000B
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FIGG

TO : ACTION: HQ ALCOM ROME, UNRRA ROME INFO: MOVIT, MOVWIT, PENBASE, PENSOUTH, MOVALO HTSCY

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Civil and UNRRA sups in period 25 June to 4 July diverted as follows:

A. Cereals:

1. EMPIRE CATO, wheat, 4230 bagged in NAPLES and 4420 bulk in CASTELLAMARE.
2. THOMAS SULLY with 8384 bulk to AUGUSTA to await berth at BARI.
3. MARINE FLYER with wheat bagged 8695 and other cargo, tp NAPLES/CATANIA/CROTONE
4. MOSES CLEAVELAND WOTH wheat bagged 8561 for NAPLES/PIOMBINO.
5. REUBEN TIPTON with wheat bagged 8866 for MESSINA.
6. SEA NYMPH with wheat bagged 8120 for REGGIO.

B. Misc cargo:

1. SEA ADDER to NAPLES to await calling forward to GENOA.
2. STEPHEN MALLORY to MITE probable NAPLES.
3. CAPE TRAFALGAR, GREDERICK IVES and GEORGE NORRIS to MITE. 1188
4. CAPE FLACON to AUGUSTA to await berth at BARI.

C. UNRRA. LANGDON CHEVES to NAPLES to await calling forward to GENOA

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INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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AC/501/55/Tn.3

14 June 1945

SUBJECT : Cagliari/Naples/Palermo Ferry Service.

TO : See distribution.

1. Further to A.C. Shipping Instruction No. 13 dated 10 June 1945, herewith sailing programme for S.S. ABBAZIA and S.S. CAMPIDOGLIO for July, August and September 1945.

NAPLES/PALERMO		NAPLES/CAGLIARI	
2/7	("Abbazia")	2/7	("Campidoglio")
17/7	("Campidoglio")	17/7	("Abbazia")
1/8	("Abbazia")	1/8	("Campidoglio")
16/8	("Campidoglio")	16/8	("Abbazia")
31/8	("Abbazia")	31/8	("Campidoglio")
15/9	("Campidoglio")	15/9	("Abbazia")
30/9	("Abbazia")	30/9	("Campidoglio")

CAGLIARI		NAPLES		
Arrive	3/7	Depart	2/7	S.S. Campidoglio
Depart	10/7	Arrive	11/7	" Campidoglio
Arrive	18/7	Depart	17/7	" Abbazia
Depart	25/7	Arrive	26/7	" Abbazia
Arrive	2/8	Depart	1/8	" Campidoglio
Depart	9/8	Arrive	10/8	" Campidoglio
Arrive	17/8	Depart	16/8	" Abbazia
Depart	24/8	Arrive	25/8	" Abbazia
Arrive	1/9	Depart	31/8	" Campidoglio
Depart	8/9	Arrive	9/9	" Campidoglio
Arrive	16/9	Depart	15/9	" Abbazia
Depart	23/9	Arrive	24/9	" Abbazia
Arrive	1/10	Depart	30/9	" Campidoglio

PALERMO		NAPLES		
Arrive	3/7	Depart	2/7	S.S. Abbazia
Depart	9/7	Arrive	10/7	" Abbazia
Arrive	18/7	Depart	17/7	" Campidoglio
Depart	24/7	Arrive	25/7	" Campidoglio

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TO : See distribution.

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NAPLES/PALERMO

2/7	("Abbazia")
17/7	("Campidoglio")
1/8	("Abbazia")
16/8	("Campidoglio")
31/8	("Abbazia")
15/9	("Campidoglio")
30/9	("Abbazia")

NAPLES/CAGLIARI

2/7	("Campidoglio")
17/7	("Abbazia")
1/8	("Campidoglio")
16/8	("Abbazia")
31/8	("Campidoglio")
15/9	("Abbazia")
30/9	("Campidoglio")

CAGLIARI		NAPLES		
Arrive	3/7	Depart 2/7	S.S.	Campidoglio
Depart	10/7	Arrive 11/7	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	18/7	Depart 17/7	"	Abbazia
Depart	25/7	Arrive 26/7	"	Abbazia
Arrive	2/8	Depart 1/8	"	Campidoglio
Depart	9/8	Arrive 10/8	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	17/8	Depart 16/8	"	Abbazia
Depart	24/8	Arrive 25/8	"	Abbazia
Arrive	1/9	Depart 31/8	"	Campidoglio
Depart	8/9	Arrive 9/9	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	15/9	Depart 15/9	"	Abbazia
Depart	23/9	Arrive 24/9	"	Abbazia
Arrive	1/10	Depart 30/9	"	Campidoglio

PALERMO		NAPLES		
Arrive	3/7	Depart 2/7	S.S.	Abbazia
Depart	9/7	Arrive 10/7	"	Abbazia
Arrive	18/7	Depart 17/7	"	Campidoglio
Depart	24/7	Arrive 25/7	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	2/8	Depart 1/8	"	Abbazia
Depart	8/8	Arrive 9/8	"	Abbazia
Arrive	17/8	Depart 16/8	"	Campidoglio
Depart	23/8	Arrive 24/8	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	1/9	Depart 31/8	"	Abbazia
Depart	7/9	Arrive 8/9	"	Abbazia
Arrive	16/9	Depart 15/9	"	Campidoglio
Depart	22/9	Arrive 23/9	"	Campidoglio
Arrive	1/10	Depart 30/9	"	Abbazia

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For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B. THOMAS
Colonel,
Deputy Director

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AC/501/55/Tn.3 14 Giugno 1945

OGGETTO : Servizio di linea Cagliari/Napoli/Palermo.

A : Vedi distribuzione.

1. Facendo seguito all' "A.C. Shipping Instruction No.13" in data 10 Giugno 1945, vi inviamo il programma di navigazione dei piroscafi ABBAZIA e CAMPIDOGLIO per i mesi di luglio, agosto e settembre 1945.

NAPOLI PER PALERMO

2/7	Abbazia
17/7	Campidoglio
1/8	Abbazia
16/8	Campidoglio
31/8	Abbazia
15/9	Campidoglio
30/9	Abbazia

NAPOLI PER CAGLIARI

2/7	Campidoglio
17/7	Abbazia
1/8	Campidoglio
16/8	Abbazia
31/8	Campidoglio
15/9	Abbazia
30/9	Campidoglio

CAGLIARI

Arrivo	3/7
Partenza	10/7
Arrivo	18/7
Partenza	25/7
Arrivo	2/8
Partenza	9/8
Arrivo	17/8
Partenza	24/8
Arrivo	1/9
Partenza	8/9
Arrivo	16/9
Partenza	23/9
Arrivo	1/10

NAPOLI

Partenza	2/7	Pfo. Campidoglio
Arrivo	11/7	" Campidoglio
Partenza	17/7	" Abbazia
Arrivo	26/7	" Abbazia
Partenza	1/8	" Campidoglio
Arrivo	10/8	" Campidoglio
Partenza	16/8	" Abbazia
Arrivo	25/8	" Abbazia
Partenza	31/8	" Campidoglio
Arrivo	9/9	" Campidoglio
Partenza	15/9	" Abbazia
Arrivo	24/9	" Abbazia
Partenza	30/9	" Campidoglio

PALERMO

Arrivo	3/7
Partenza	9/7
Arrivo	18/7
Partenza	24/7
Arrivo	2/8
Partenza	8/8

NAPOLI

Partenza	2/7	Pfo. Abbazia
Arrivo	10/7	" Abbazia
Partenza	17/7	" Campidoglio
Arrivo	25/7	" Campidoglio
Partenza	1/8	" Abbazia
Arrivo	9/8	" Abbazia

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1. Facendo seguito all' "A.C. Shipping Instruction No.13" in data 10 Giugno 1945, vi inviamo il programma di navigazione dei piroscafi ABBAZIA e CAMPIDOGLIO per i mesi di luglio, agosto e settembre 1945.

NAPOLI PER PALERMO

2/7	Abbazia
17/7	Campidoglio
1/8	Abbazia
16/8	Campidoglio
31/8	Abbazia
15/9	Campidoglio
30/9	Abbazia

NAPOLI PER CAGLIARI

2/7	Campidoglio
17/7	Abbazia
1/8	Campidoglio
16/8	Abbazia
31/8	Campidoglio
15/9	Abbazia
30/9	Campidoglio

CAGLIARI

Arrivo	3/7
Partenza	10/7
Arrivo	18/7
Partenza	25/7
Arrivo	2/8
Partenza	9/8
Arrivo	17/8
Partenza	24/8
Arrivo	1/9
Partenza	8/9
Arrivo	16/9
Partenza	23/9
Arrivo	1/10

PALERMO

Arrivo	3/7
Partenza	9/7
Arrivo	18/7
Partenza	24/7
Arrivo	2/8
Partenza	8/8
Arrivo	17/8
Partenza	23/8
Arrivo	1/9
Partenza	7/9
Arrivo	16/9
Partenza	22/9
Arrivo	1/10

NAPOLI

Partenza	2/7	Pfo.	Campidoglio
Arrivo	11/7	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	17/7	"	Abbazia
Arrivo	26/7	"	Abbazia
Partenza	1/8	"	Campidoglio
Arrivo	10/8	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	15/8	"	Abbazia
Arrivo	25/8	"	Abbazia
Partenza	31/8	"	Campidoglio
Arrivo	9/9	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	15/9	"	Abbazia
Arrivo	24/9	"	Abbazia
Partenza	30/9	"	Campidoglio

NAPOLI

Partenza	2/7	Pfo.	Abbazia
Arrivo	10/7	"	Abbazia
Partenza	17/7	"	Campidoglio
Arrivo	25/7	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	1/8	"	Abbazia
Arrivo	9/8	"	Abbazia
Partenza	16/8	"	Campidoglio
Arrivo	24/8	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	31/8	"	Abbazia
Arrivo	8/9	"	Abbazia
Partenza	15/9	"	Campidoglio
Arrivo	23/9	"	Campidoglio
Partenza	30/9	"	Abbazia

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For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B. THOMAS
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Deputy Director

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MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT
MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE,
NAVY HOUSE,
NAPLES

9th JUNE. I945.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO. 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION.

SUBJECT. ITINERARY "ABBAZIA" & "CAMPIDOGLIO".

In accordance with your request herewith please find itinerary for the above mentioned vessels for July/August and September, for the service Cagliari/Naples/Palermo.

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PROGRAMMA LUGLIO-AGOSTO-SETTEMBRE 1945 Linea CAGLIARI-Napoli-Palermo.

CAGLIARI

arrivo	3/7
partenza	10/7
arrivo	18/7
partenza	25/7
arrivo	2/8
partenza	9/8
arrivo	17/8
partenza	24/8
arrivo	1/9
partenza	8/9
arrivo	16/9
partenza	23/9
arrivo	1/10

NAPOLI

partenza	2/7	Pfo "Campidoglio"
arrivo	11/7	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	17/7	" "Abbazia"
arrivo	26/7	" "Abbazia"
partenza	1/8	" "Campidoglio"
arrivo	10/8	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	16/8	" "Abbazia"
arrivo	25/8	" "Abbazia"
partenza	31/8	" "Campidoglio"
arrivo	9/9	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	15/9	" "Abbazia"
arrivo	24/9	" "Abbazia"
partenza	30/9	" "Campidoglio"

PALERMO

arrivo	3/7.
partenza	9/7
arrivo	18/7.
partenza	24/7
arrivo	2/8
partenza	8/8
arrivo	17/8
partenza	23/8
arrivo	1/9
partenza	7/9
arrivo	16/9
partenza	22/9
arrivo	1/10

NAPOLI

partenza	2/7	Pfo "Abbazia"
arrivo	10/7	" "Abbazia"
partenza	17/7	" "Campidoglio"
arrivo	25/7	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	1/8	" "Abbazia"
arrivo	9/8	" "Abbazia"
partenza	16/8	" "Campidoglio"
arrivo	24/8	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	31/8	" "Abbazia"
arrivo	8/9	" "Abbazia"
partenza	15/9	" "Campidoglio"
arrivo	23/9	" "Campidoglio"
partenza	30/9	" "Abbazia"

NAPOLI per PALERMO

2/7	("Abbazia")
17/7	("Campidoglio")
1/8	("Abbazia")
16/8	("Campidoglio")
31/8	("Abbazia")
15/9	("Campidoglio")
30/9	("Abbazia")

NAPOLI per CAGLIARI

2/7	("Campidoglio")
17/7	("Abbazia")
1/8	("Campidoglio")
16/8	("Abbazia")
31/8	("Campidoglio")
15/9	("Abbazia")
30/9	("Campidoglio")

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S.S. "ABBAZIA" & "CAMPIDOGLIO". REGULAR LINE CAGLIARI-NAPLES-PALERMO.

S.S. "CAMPIDOGLIO"			S.S. "ABBAZIA".	
ARRIVING.	SAILING.	PORTS.	ARRIVING.	SAILING.
	I8th May Daybreak	NAPLES		3rd May Daybreak.
I9th May Noon.	26th May Daybreak	CAGLIARI	4th May Noon.	I0th May Daybreak.
27th May Noon.	2nd June Noon	NAPLES	IIth May Noon.	I8th May Noon.
3rd June 8am.	9th June Noon	PALERMO	I9th May 8am.	25th May 8am.
I0th June 8am.	I7th June Daybreak	NAPLES	26th May 8am.	2nd June Daybreak.
I8th June Noon.	24th June Daybreak	CAGLIARI	3rd June Noon.	I0th June Daybreak.
25th June Noon.		NAPLES	IIth June Noon.	I7th June Noon.
		PALERMO	I8th June 8am.	24th June Noon.

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CAGLIARI-NAPLES-PALERMO LINE. NAPLES. MAY. 1945.

Attention has been paid for the regular line as above, bearing in mind all the opportune differences so as to avoid inconveniences at loading and discharging ports (embarcation and disembarkation of passengers), as well as the bunkering of the ships.

According to the Time-table, it will be easy to note that the S.S. "ABBAZIA" sailed from Naples the 3rd May to Cagliari,and will sail from the said port on the morning of the IOth May in order to arrive at Naples on the IIth May at noon.

The vessel will remain at Naples until the I8th May Noon, sailing then to Palermo, where she will arrive on the I9th May at 8am. From Palermo she will sail again at noon the 25th May,arriving at Naples at 8am on the 26th May. She will remain at Naples loading until noon of the Ist June and after bunkering will leave Naples direct for Cagliari on the 2nd June at day-break and will arrive at noon on the 3rd June. Will stay at said port until the morning of the IOth June when she will sail direct for Naples arriving the IIth June at noon.

The S. S. "CAMPIDOGLIO" is expected to commence theline at about the I7th May and as per time-table after bunkering should sail from Naples on the I8th ~~xxx~~ May direct for Cagliari at day-break. Will arrive at Cagliari on the I9th May at noon,and will remain there until the 26th May and sail at day-break arriving at Naples on the 27th May at noon. Will remain at Naples and sail;at noon on the 2nd June for Palermo arriving at this Port on the 3rd June. Will remain at Palermo until noon of the I9th June sailing 8am, arriving at Naples on the IOth June 8am. Will remain at Naples and after bunkering will sail on the 17th June day-break direct for Cagliari, arriving there on the I8th June at noon and will sail again on the 24th June at day-break, arriving at Naples on the 25th June at noon.

According to this Time-table

a) There is no inconvenience regarding the service with the imbarcation and disembarcation of the passengers,in as much as the arrival s and ~~xxx~~ departures have sufficient margin.
b) The vessels will bunker only when bound for Cagliari,taking the necessary quantities of bunkers for the round voyage Naples/Cagliari/Naples/Palermo/Naples.
c) The departures to Cagliari will take place after the one of the 3rd May made by the S.S. "ABBAZIA", the I8th May with theS.S. "CAMPIDOGLIO" the 2nd June with the S.S. "ABBAZIA" and the I8th June with the "CAMPIDOGLIO".

To Palermo the first ship to sail will be the "ABBAZIA" on the I8th May followed by the "CAMPIDOGLIO" on the 2nd June and on the I7th June by the "ABBAZIA".

It is to be hoped that the Time-table above indicated will meet with approval,and with such hope we remain waiting for your dispositions in order to instruct accordingly the "TIRRENIA" Company. 1182

The Director.

Signed. Dr. E. Sarnella.

M.W.T.R. MED. MEDBO.

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APO 394
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Our Ref :- AC/610/140/Tn.3. 16 April 1945

SUBJECT :- Shipment on the Abbazia

TO :- G-5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel in the following trips.

TORRE ANNUNZIATA sailed 3 April 1945
CAGLIARI berthed 4 April 1945

Material	Tons
Sulphur	272
Tobacco	29
Empty bags	27
Tomato conserve	14
Dried fruit	33
Timber	7
Sulphate	24
Staty	12
Shoes	5
Paraffin	8
Clothes	10
Elec. Fittings	16
Relief stores	134
Miscellaneous	667
	717

+ 230 Passengers

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CAGLIARI sailed 12 April 1945
TORRE ANNUNZIATA berthed 13 April 1945

Material	Tons
	191

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SUBJECT :- Shipment on the Abbazia

TO :- G-5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel in the following trips.

TORRE ANNUNZIATA sailed 3 April 1945
CAGLIARI berthed 4 April 1945

Material	Tons
Sulphur	272
Tobacco	29
Empty bags	27
Tomato conserve	14
Dried fruit	33
Timber	7
Sulphate	24
Staty	12
Shoes	5
Paraffin	8
Clothes	19
Elec. Fittings	16
Relief stores	184
Miscellaneous	667
	717 +

230 Passengers

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CAGLIARI sailed 12 April 1945
TORRE ANNUNZIATA berthed 13 April 1945

Material	Tons
Paint pigments	391
Salt	750
Cork	56
Magnesimun sulphate	30
Bricks	88
Empty drums	24
7 Vehicles	35,5
Miscellaneous	256
	1630,5 +

250 Passengers

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director

Copy to : G-4 Section
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref :- AC/610/146/Tn.3. 20 April 1945

SUBJECT :- Shipment of Paint Pigments

TO :- G-4 (Mov & Tn.)

Enclosed hereto are summaries and Bills of lading concerning the Paint Pigments loaded on S/S "Abbazia" sailed on 11 April 1945 from CAGLIARI, on military account.

For the Chief Commissioner

M.B. THOMAS, Colonel
for Deputy Director

Enclosure :- 2 B. of L.
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Control Center of Cagliari

N. 41 11 April 1945

SUBJECT :- Export of Pigment for A?C.

Enclosed hereto are following summaries and Bills of lading concerning the pigments loaded for AC. on SS. ABBAZIA sailed on 11 April 1945.

Distribution :

a)	2	B. of L.	and 1	Summary	to :	Movements Division Tn. S/C HQ. AC.
b)	2	"	" 1	"	to :	Mining Division HQ. AC. CARBONIA
c)	2	"	" 1	"	to :	Capt. Smith Port Command NAPLES
d)	2	"	"	1 Summary	to :	I.C.E. ROME

The Inspector

signed (BACHISIO TIANA)

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Our ref.: AC/610/50/Tn 3 2 May 1945

SUBJECT : Shipment on the "ABBAZIA"

TO : G-5 Section

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel in the following trips:

Torre Annunziata sailed on 18 April
Cagliari berthed on 19 April.

Material	Tons
Sulphur	381
Sugar	300
Newsprint	10
Rags	12
Tons.Cons.	10
Dried figs	11
Nuts	15
Seed potatoes	50
Misc.	98
	887 + 192 Passengers

Cagliari sailed on 25 April
Torre Annunziata berthed on 27 April.

Material	Tons
Salt tons	756
Paint pigments	96
Talc	83
Barite	80
Fire bricks	83
Zinc	125
Cork	19
Hides	56

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Talc	83
Barite	80
Fire bricks	83
Zinc	125
Cork	19
Hides	56
Coke	126
Cheese	228
2 Vehicles	3
9 Cargo	123
	1773 + 200 Passengers

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For the Chief Commissioner:

G.B.GODFREY,
Major, I.E.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER SARDINIA INFO ALCOM PALERMO

~~CSEX~~ 6807 4 MAY 45 ROUTINE

RESTRICTED FD

PARA ONE FD SHIP GLEN ARGENTA HAS ARRIVED PALERMO WITH SIX ~~EIGHT~~ FIVE EMPTY PETROL DRUMS OF ONE ZERO ZERO GALLON SIZE CONSIGNED TO ALCOM PALERMO FD

PAREN TO HIGH COMMISSIONER SARDINIA INFO ALCOM PALERMO FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACTTT PAREN

PARA TWO FD PLEASE STATE SHIPPER AND ON WHOSE INSTRUCTIONS THESE WERE SENT TO PALERMO FD

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CWO U.S.A.
Asst.Adjutant

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Il destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino e a segnarvi la data e l'ora della consegna dell'telegramma. In mancanza di tali indicazioni il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo della consegna.

Mod. 30. (1941 XIX)

Bollo d'ufficio

Ricevuto il 19 ore
Ricevente
Per circuito

Le ore si contano sul meridiano corrispondente al tempo medio dell'Europa centrale, e pei telegrammi interni e con vari paesi oltre di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra.
Nei telegrammi impressi in caratteri romani, il primo numero dopo il nome del luogo d'origine rappresenta quello del telegramma, il secondo quello delle parole, gli altri la data, l'ora e i minuti della presentazione.

QUALIFICA	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUM.	PAROLE	Data della presentazione		Via e indicazioni eventuali d'ufficio
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alto commissario generale pinna

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TELEGRAMMA

N. ____ di raccapio - Rimesso al lattorino ad ore ____

Nulla è dovuto al lattorino pel raccapio. Il latore rimetta una ricevuta stampa quando è incaricato di una riscossione.

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TELEGRAMMA

N. 77 di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino ad ore

Nulla è dovuto al fattorino pel recapito. Il fattore rimette una ricevuta a stampa quando è incaricato di una riscossione.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS AC.

20 May 1945

Ref.: 16 - St.Rome-Cagliari 01/17/44-16-9,30

Nr. 13179. Div.II. reference 6907 dated 4 May, we inform that shipment 68 of fuel and gasoline on ship Gennargentu is for the Gaslini Coy. Said fuel is necessary to despatch carbon surphur allocated to Sardinia by the Spero Coy of Palermo

High Commissioner
General Pinna

Remarks:
- this italian contents of this cable is not clear.
- litterally it is said 68 loader = 68 caricatore
? = tamburlane (word which do not exist in italian)

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Ministero dell'Agricoltura e delle Foreste

SEGRETARIATO GENERALE DELL'ALIMENTAZIONE
SERVIZIO DEI TRASPORTI

LI/f.

Roma, 12 Mag 194 A

Segretariato VIII°
Ufficio Trasporti Prot. N. 2/VIII/1231
Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.°
Allegati N.°

OGGETTO Trasporto marittimo generi alimentari non razionati Vapore "ABBAZIA" da Palermo a Napoli

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione dei Trasporti
Sezione Navigazione
R O M A

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione dell'Alimentazione
R O M A

N.1.

1 - Riscontriamo il vostro foglio 51-7/ /FOOD del 19 corr.
2 - Abbiamo preso nota che il vapore "ABBAZIA" si recherà verso il 3 giugno p.v. a Palermo, ove caricherà Tonn. 500 circa di agrumi per Napoli.
3 - Abbiamo impartite le disposizioni relative ai caricatori.

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The following additional charges will be made as was practised on the run Cagliari/Naples by the "ABBAZIA":-

Lit. 200 per person for the use of bed linens etc.
" 500 for the use of a single cabin.
4% on the amount paid for passage as taxation.

As for the luggage and excess of weight, the same charges as those applied on the "ABBAZIA" will be made:-

Up to 25 Kgs. per person - no charge.
For every 10 Kgs. or fraction of 10 Kgs. in excess - Lit. 75 per person.

Children up to 3 years of age are not charged any fare. Over 3 years old, and up to 10 years of age, a 50% reduction is granted, over 10 years of age, the full fare is charged.

As on the "ABBAZIA" no food is served.

With regard to the goods, form S.B.2 is no longer required to be endorsed by the competent Allied Authorities. For general cargo the local Chamber of Commerce shall authorise the shipment and the SEPRAL shall authorise the shipment of food supplies not rationed.

For passengers the A.C. pass is no longer necessary but all passports issued by the Security Authorities of the Port of departure shall have to be endorsed by the A.C.

For passengers it is no longer necessary the endorsement of the A.C. and requires only the endorsement on the Passport of the Questura at the source of issue.

The Manager.

(Sgd.) (Dr.) E. SARNELLA.

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Translation:

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From: CO:GE:NA, NAPLES.
To: M.W.T.R. MED.

SUBJECT: Itinerary Cagliari/Naples/Palermo.

The s.s. "CAMPIDOGLIO", as arranged by your Ministry, left this Port for Palermo on the 18th inst. and shall start from Palermo today to complete the voyage. This is an extension of the Cagliari/Naples line, the latter having so far been effected by the s.s. "ABBAZIA".

The fortnightly run Cagliari/Naples/Palermo and vice versa shall therefore be effected by the s.s. "ABBAZIA" in conjunction with the s.s. "CAMPIDOGLIO".

As already agreed between us and as already done for the "ABBAZIA", the commercial managing of the "CAMPIDOGLIO" has been assigned to the "TIRRENIA" under our control. The "TIRRENIA" Society shall be issuing passage tickets, Bills of Lading and shall also collect the freights.

The following charges shall be made:-

1) Goods. Freights will be based on mileage according to the 1944 table, which is 15 times the 1942 tariff as follows:-

CAGLIARI/PALERMO.

1st Category.	Lit.	5,839	per ton.
2nd "	"	4,514	" "
3rd "	"	3,456	" "
4th "	"	2,343	" ".

NAPLES/PALERMO.

1st Category.	"	4,867	" "
2nd "	"	3,753	" "
3rd "	"	2,757	" "
4th "	"	1,690	" "

CAGLIARI/NAPLES.

1st Category.	"	5,421	" "
2nd "	"	4,095	" "
3rd "	"	3,038	" "
4th "	"	1,924	" "

The above freights do not include loading expenses, trimming, unloading and sorting out, the expenses in question being also subject to 4% income tax.

2) Passengers.

For the run between Cagliari and Palermo, two separate single tickets

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2) Passengers.

For the run between Cagliari and Palermo, two separate single tickets will be issued, that is, one ticket for Cagliari/Naples, and one for Naples/Palermo and vice versa. During the vessel's stay at Naples, passengers need not remain on board.

The following are the fares (cost of the tickets):-

CAGLIARI/NAPLES and vice versa.

Class passengers (cabin accommodation) Lit. 2,000 per person.
Deck " (tween deck accommodation) Lit. 1,000 per person.

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10 June 1945

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A.C. SHIPPING INSTRUCTION NO.13

Cagliari/Naples/Palermo Ferry Service

1. GENERAL

This Instruction cancels and supersedes A.C. Shipping Memorandum No. 3 dated 15 December '44.

2. SERVICE

The S.S."Abbazia" and the S.S."Campidoglio" ply under control of COGENA between Cagliari/Naples/Palermo, carrying passengers and cargo. This is an extension of the Cagliari/Naples service, outlined in the memorandum cancelled in para 1 above.

3. CAPACITY

S.S. "ABBAZIA" 300 passengers 1500 tons cargo
S.S. "CAMPIDOGLIO" 300 passengers 3000 tons cargo

4. PERSONNEL ACCOMODATION

S.S. "ABBAZIA" 60 in cabins, 240 in tween decks, Total 300

S.S. "CAMPIDOGLIO" 60 in cabins, 240 in tween decks, Total 300

Priority is given to 100 deck passengers for Italian Service Personnel on each ship. Tween decks are fitted with the full complement of bunks and mattresses. Passengers bring their own bedding. No food is served on board.

5. PASSENGER FARES

Cagliari/Naples and viceversa

Cabin passengers Lit. 2.000 per person
Deck " Lit. 1.000 " "

Naples/Palermo and viceversa

Cabin passengers Lit. 2.000 per person
Deck " Lit. 1.000 " "

Children up to 3 years free of charge
" over 3 years and up to 10 years, half fare
" over 10 years full fare.

Extra charges

... etc. Lit. 200 per person
... " "

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Extra charges

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Use of single cabin Lit. 500 " "
4% tax on passage rates
Excess baggage : for every 10 Kgs. or fraction thereof in excess of 20 Kgs. Lit. 75

6. RATES OF FREIGHT FOR CARGO

These are based on mileage according to the 1944 table, as follows : -

Cagliari/Palermo

1st Class	Lit.	5.839	per ton
2nd "	"	4.514	" "
3rd "	"	3.456	" "
4th "	"	2.343	" "

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Naples/Palermo

1st Class	Lit.	4.867	per	ton
2nd "	"	3.753	"	"
3rd "	"	2.757	"	"
4th "	"	1.690	"	"

Cagliari/Naples

1st Class	Lit.	5.421	per	ton
2nd "	"	4.095	"	"
3rd "	"	3.038	"	"
4th "	"	1.924	"	"

These figures are subject to 4% tax.

7. Shipment of general cargo and unrationed foodstuffs are authorised by the local Chambers of Commerce and SEPRAL respectively.

8. OPERATION OF THE SERVICE

The actual operation of the service has been undertaken by the "Tirrenia" Navigation Company and their agents, under the control of CO.GE.NA. The "Tirrenia" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issue of passenger tickets and Bills of lading, also collection of all freight, passage monies, etc.

9. MILITARY STORES

Bids for the movement of military stores will be made in the normal way in accordance with Admin. Memo. No. 66 of 27 December 1944.

Loading instructions for such military stores will be sent by AFHQ to MEDBO Schooner Control, Naples.

10. The following is the sailing programme up to 25 June 1945 :

S.S. ABBAZIA	S.S. CAMPIDOGLIO
Dep. 9 June noon PALERMO	Dep. 10 June daybreak CAGLIARI
Arr. 10 June 8 am NAPLES	Arr. 11 June noon NAPLES
Dep. 17 June daybreak NAPLES	Dep. 17 June noon NAPLES
Arr. 18 June noon CAGLIARI	Arr. 18 June 8 am PALERMO
Dep. 24 June daybreak CAGLIARI	Dep. 24 June noon PALERMO
Arr. 25 June noon NAPLES	

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For the Chief Commissioner :

W. L. THOMAS

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4th " " 1.690

Cagliari/Naples

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For the Chief Commissioner :

H.B. THOMAS
Colonel
Deputy Director

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10 June 1945

AC Shipping Instruction No. 13

Servizio Cagliari/Napoli/Palermo

1. OSSERVAZIONI GENERALI

Questa Istruzione si succede abrogando l'AC Shipping Memorandum No. 3 in data 15 Dicembre 1944.

2. SERVIZIO

I piroscafi ABBAZIA e CAMPIDOGLIO fanno servizio sotto il controllo del COGENA fra Cagliari/Napoli/Palermo, effettuando il trasporto di merci e di passeggeri. Questa è una estensione del servizio Cagliari/Napoli già descritto nell'istruzione No.3 soppressa con la presente.

3. CAPACITA'

Psfo	"ABBAZIA"	300 Passeggeri	1500 tonn. merci
"	"CAMPIDOGLIO"	300 "	3000 " "

4. SPAZIO RISERVATO AI PASSEGGERI

Psfo "ABBAZIA"	60 Cabine 240 posti in coperta	tot. 300
Psfo "CAMPIDOGLIO"	60 Cabine 240 posti in coperta	tot. 300

Su ogni piroscafo si dà precedenza per 100 posti in coperta a personale italiano in servizio. I posti in coperta sono completi con cuccetta e materasso, però i passeggeri debbono portarsi coperte, cuscino ecc. Non si servono pasti a bordo.

5. TARIFFE PER I PASSEGGERI

Cagliari/Napoli e viceversa :

cabine	L. 2.000 a persona
posti in coperta	L. 1.000 " "

Napoli/Palermo e viceversa :

cabine	L. 2.000 a persona
posti in coperta	L. 1.000 " "

Bambini fino a 3 anni non pagano biglietto
" sopra i 3 anni e sotto i 10 mezza tariffa
" sopra i 10 anni tariffa intera

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Bambini fino a 3 anni non pagano biglietto
" sopra i 3 anni e sotto i 10 mezza tariffa
" sopra i 10 anni tariffa intera

Tariffe supplementari :

Uso di lenzuola e coperte	L. 200 a persona
Cabina singola	L. 500 " "

4% sulla tariffa di viaggio per ogni 10 Kg. o frazione superiore al peso prestabilito per il bagaglio (Kg.25) L. 75

6. TARIFFE PER IL CARICO DI MERCI

Queste sono calcolate sul kilometraggio in base ai listini del 1944.

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Cagliari/Palermo :

1 classe L. 5.839 la tonnellata
2 " L. 4.514 " "
3 " L. 3.456 " "
4. " L. 2.343 " "

Napoli/Palermo :

1 classe L. 4.867 la tonnellata
2 " L. 3.753 " "
3 " L. 2.757 " "
4 " L. 1.690 " "

Cagliari/Napoli :

1 classe L. 5.421 la tonnellata
2 " L. 4.095 " "
3 " L. 3.038 " "
4 " L. 1.924 " "

Queste tariffe sono tutte soggette al 4% di tassa.

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10. Il seguente è il programma di navigazione fino al 25 giugno 1945 ; -

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Arr.	10 "	8 a.m.	Napoli	Arr.	11 "	mezzodì	Napoli
Part.	17 "	alba	Napoli	Part.	17 "	mezzodì	Napoli
Arr.	10 "	mezzogiorno	Cagliari	Arr.	18 "	8 a.m.	Palermo
Part.	24 "	alba	Cagliari	Part.	24 "	mezzodì	Palermo

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Napoli/Palermo :

1 classe L. 4.867 la tonnellata
2 " L. 3.753 " "
3 " L. 2.757 " "
4 " L. 1.690 " "

Cagliari/Napoli :

1 classe L. 5.421 la tonnellata
2 " L. 4.095 " "
3 " L. 3.038 " "
4 " L. 1.924 " "

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Arr.	25 "	mezzogiorno	Napoli				

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ADVANCE ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our ref. : SC/SUB/137/Tn

9 April 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments on the ABBAZIA
Terra Annunziata to Cagliari.

TO : Civilian Shipping Coy.
Q.Movts & Portico, 55. Naples.

1. You are authorized to receive applications and effect shipments of goods on the "Abbazia" between Terra Annunziata and Cagliari without any applications being screened by Allied Commission or Medo Schooner Control.

2. If at any time applications for tonnage should exceed tonnage lift available, the matter will be referred to this H.Q. when priorities will be issued.

3. It is understood that small parcels for shipment up to 20 tons can be consigned to you at Terra Annunziata. Please advise us your correct address at Terra Annunziata for consigning parcels by both road and rail.

For the Chief Commissioner :

K.B. [illegible], Colonel
Deputy Director.

Copy to : Medo Schooner Control. Naples. (Attn. Lt. Crooks)
G.4 (Mov. & Tn) A.F.H.Q.
Ports and Warehouse Division.
Movements Division (Road)
" (Rail)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

2 April 1945

Our ref.: AC/610/136/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Shipment on the ABBAZIA

TO : G-5 Section (2)

Cagliari sailed 12 March 1945
Torre Annunziata berthed 13 March 1945

Material	Tons
Salt	400
Cassiterite	100
Paint pigments	89
Kalite	161
Miscellaneous	348
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+ 200 Passengers

Torre Annunziata sailed 18 March 1945
Cagliari berthed 19 March 1945

Material	Tons
Sulphur	360
Tobacco	29
U.S.Army rations	10
Paper	16
Clothing	29
Empty sacks	24
Miscellaneous	138
Lorry	3
	639

+ 201 Passengers

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Cagliari sailed 27 March 1945
Torre Annunziata berthed 28 March 1945

Material	Tons
	252
Salt	166
Zinc and tin	64
Fireclay	52
Paint pigments and talc	35
Barite	32
Hides	20
Cork	16
Magnesium sulphate	92
Various cargo	
	751

+ 250 Passengers

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. B. THOMAS, Colonel
for Deputy Director

Copy to : G-4 Section (Mov & Tn)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our ref.: AC/610/131/Tn 3 23 March 1945

SUBJECT : Shipment on the "ABBAZIA"

TO : G-5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed 29 January 1945
Torre Annunziata berthed 31 January 1945

Material	Kg.
Cork	88,930
Zinc	66,398
Halite	113,047
Skins	45,600
Salt	700,450
Talc	10,000
Rushes	7,850
Bricks	23,000
Coloured	4,000
	1,059,275

\+ 250 Passengers

Torre Annunziata sailed 5 February 1945
Cagliari berthed 8 February 1945

Material	Kg.
Newsprint	20,138
Films	1,245
Medical Supplies	16,240
Books	7,199
Mail	6,595
Furniture	3,200
Rubber	1,675

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TO : G-5 Section (2)

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Rubber	1,675
Shoes	24,700
Nuts	10,020
Empty sacks	4,600
Radio spare parts	5,300
Foodstuff	7,100
Sugar	115,644
Spare parts	6,238
Caustic Soda	33,000
Tobacco	16,948
Car	800
Miscellaneous	15,284
	294,976

\+ 200 Passengers

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Cagliari sailed 11 February 1945
Torre Annunziata berthed 15 February 1945

Material	Kg.
Zinc	43,200
Plomb	2,000
Cork	24,685
Skins	65,846
Coloured	24,600
Bricks	49,500
Horse hair	516,508
Salt	87,174
Wool	21,200
Coffee substitute	5,000
Clothing material	162
Rushes	7,000
	846,975

+ 200 Passengers

Torre Annunziata sailed 17 February 1945
Cagliari berthed 19 February 1945

Material	Kg.
Shoes	53,889
Spare parts	29,626
Stationery	28,304
Dried fruit	6,350
Baskets & bags	12,298
Strings	5,650
Oil for brakes	573
Miscellaneous	6,267
Tobacco	34,488
	177,645

+ 200 Passengers

Cagliari sailed 25 February 1945
Torre Annunziata berthed 26 february 1945

Material	Kg.
Cork	56,507
Bricks	50,000
Zinc,plomb	124,279
Skins	12,800
Blankets	500

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Horse hair	516,508
Salt	87,174
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Torre Annunziata berthed 26 february 1945

Material	Kg.
Cork	56,507
Bricks	50,000
Zinc,plomb	124,279
Skins	12,800
Blankets	500
Coloured	44,200
Cars	1,850
Dried fruit	10,000
Wool	1,500
Horse Hair	107,500
Foodstuff	853
Talc	61,300
Salt	500,000
Magnesium sulph.	222,000
Sodium sulphate	3,300
Kalite	39,025
Barite	6,650
Miscellaneous	6,802
	1,248,766

+ 250 passengers

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Torre Annunziata sailed 4 March 1945
Cagliari berthed 9 March 1945

Material	Kg.
Newsprint, paper	23,467
Mail	143
Car	1,588
Spare parts, nails etc.	3,793
Various foodstuff	18,750
Sulphur	145,000
Shoes	1,996
Medical supplies	2,400
Sacks, strings etc.	5,300
Matches	18,168
Seed	7,608
Miscellaneous	8,130
	236,343

+ 230 Passengers

For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B.THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director

Copy to : G-4 (Mov & Tn) ✓

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub-Commission APO 394

NSC/1907
22 March 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq. Allied Commission.
To : Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, Hq. AC.

Subject: Sardinia - Italy Ferry.

Reference: (a) Transportation Sub-Com. ltr AC/610/128/Tn 3 of 19 March 1945. (129)
(b) Transportation Sub-Com. ltr AC/37/55/Tn 5 of 13 January 1945. (55)
(c) Navy Sub-Com. ltr NSC/1836 of 16 March 1945. (126)

1. The Transportation Sub-Commission, AC, in reference (a) requests that arrangements be made for the SS "ARRAZIA" to receive a priority berth at Torre Annunziata. From an analysis of the reports contained in references (b) and (c), it appears that the delay in berthing the SS. "ARRAZIA" on the first arrival at Torre Annunziata on 1 January 1945, was occasioned by the failure to inform proper authorities of the schedule established and the estimated time of arrival of the vessel. It is further pointed out in paragraph 2 of enclosure (A) to reference (c) that arrangements for the discharge of passengers and cargo at Torre Annunziata are now under the control of the Allied Commission and that the Resident Naval Officer, Castellammare and Torre Annunziata only moves ship as requested except in so far as their safety is concerned.

2. In view of the assurances made by the Flag Officer Northern Area, Mediterranean, in enclosure (B) to reference (c), no further action is considered necessary, unless the Transportation Sub-Commission, AC, is prepared to request top priority for berthing the SS. "ARRAZIA". Further comments by the Transportation Sub-Commission, AC, are requested before any action is taken.

C. Baum.

REAR ADMIRAL
CHIEF, NAVY SUB-COMMISSION, AC.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/610/128/In3 19 March 1945

SUBJECT: Sardinia/Italy Ferry.

TO : Navy Sub-Commission

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1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter No. NSC/1836 dated 16 March 1945, together with enclosures "A" and "B".

2. In view of para 5 of the report from the Resident Naval Officer Castellammare and Torre Annunziata, can arrangements be made for the s;s. ABBAZIA to receive a priority berth?

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

J.A. WALFOUR
Lt. Colonel RE
Movements Division
Shipping Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

17 MAR 1945.

14 MARCH 45

Ref: ZTTK/1602/6
Subject: Form S.B.2
To: Transportation S/Commission, HQ.AC,
(Att: Lt.Merritt H TAYLOR).

Attached please find Form S.B.2 in respect of 1 Car (Jeep) shipped per S/S ABBAZIA on the 12th of March, 1945, to Naples and consigned to U.S.Ordinance.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Koochleff Lieut.

B.KOOCHLEFF LIEUT.
COMM/IND. & EXPORT OFFIC.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Navy Sub-Commission

NSC/1836

16 March 1945.

From: Navy Sub-Commission, Hq, AC.
To : Transportation Sub-commission, Hq, AC.

Subject: Sardinia-Italy Ferry.

Enclosure: (A) NOIC Naples Area Minute III No. 9/41 of 21 February 1945 and attached ANO Castellammare report of 18 February 1945.
(B) FONAM Minute IV No. 128-17 of 6 March 1945.

1. Transportation Sub-Commission letter AC/37/55/Tn/S of 13 January and attached correspondence was forwarded to Flag Officer Northern Area Mediterranean by the Navy Sub-Commission on 15 January for investigation of the delay of SS ABBAZIA on her first scheduled trip.

2. Enclosures (A) and (B) now have been received in answer to the Navy Sub-Commission's communication (NSC/1508 dated 15 January) to FONAM and are forwarded herewith for information.

H. St. J. Butler

H. ST. J. BUTLER,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
REAR ADMIRAL,
for CHIEF, NAVY SUBCOMMISSION, AC.

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S.S. "ABBAZIA" - DOCKING.

(Navy Sub-Commission's No. NSC/1508 dated 15th January, 1945).

IV.

No. FORAM.128-17.
THE NAVY SUB-COMMISSION,
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.

Herewith papers returned as requested, together with a report from the Resident Naval Officer, Castellamare and a covering letter from the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples Area.

2. The delay to S.S. "Abbazia" is much regretted, but I am sure that it was due to neither the Resident Naval Officer, Castellamare nor the Naval Officer-in-Charge, Naples Area having been Allied Commission Shipping Memorandum No.3, and that all due precautions will be made to prevent such an incident recurring.

Northern Area,
Mediterranean.
At NAPLES.
6th March, 1945.

(Sgd) D. [illegible] JOHNSTON
for REAR ADMIRAL.

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DUPLICATE

S.S."ABBAZIA".

(Navy Sub-Commission's No. NSC/1508 dated 15th January, 1945.)

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III.

No. 9/41.

THE FLAG OFFICER,
NORTHERN AREA MEDITERRANEAN.

The primary cause of the delay to S.S."Abbazia" on 1st January, 1945 was that Allied Commission Shipping Memorandum No. 3 of 15th December, had not been received by the Naval Officer in Charge, Naples Area and was not in fact received until forwarded with FONAM 128-17 of 3rd February. Consequently when the ship arrived on 1st January, it was not known that she had passengers on board until that information had been received from the ship herself. Some time then elapsed before it could be ascertained that Allied Commission wished to berth the ship in Torre Annunziata.

2. Attached report from the Resident Naval Officer, Castellammare and Torre Annunziata explains what happened to the "Abbazia" on arrival at the latter port. It is observed that the arrangements for the discharge of passengers and cargo at Torre Annunziata are now under the control of the Allied Commission and that the Resident Naval Officer, Castellammare & Torre Annunziata only moves ships as requested except in so far as their safety is concerned.

3. Had fuller information been received there is no doubt that the unfortunate incident would not have occurred.

(Sgd) JAMES C. COLVILL

NAPLES AREA
21st February, 1945. CAPTAIN.

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Enclosure:

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NAPLES AREA
21st February, 1945. CAPTAIN.

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Enclosure:

Report from R.N.O. Castellammare and Torre Annunziata.

28 FEB 1945

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COPY

Office of the Resident Naval Officer,
Castellammare & Torre Annunziata.

16th February, 1945.

Ref. 110/14.

The Naval Officer in Charge,
Naples Area.

SUBJECT: SARDINIAN FERRY SERVICE S.S. ABBAZIA

The Abbazia arrived at Torre Annunziata at dusk January the first without previous notification. At approximately 2200 a corporal from "Q" Movements Torre Annunziata rang my office and asked me if I could assist them to get rations out to the Abbazia as there were 273 passengers on board who had had no food for several hours. I told him that he could use the Motor Launch "San Antonino" berthed at Torre Annunziata.

2. The next day Tuesday, January 2nd, I called at Torre Annunziata on my way up to Naples for the usual Tuesday Conference In the harbour at that time there was the Louis Joliet in No. 1 and 2 berths, the Lublin and Itu in No. 3 and 4 berths respectively. I was informed that the passengers were still on board, so I gave instructions for the Tug No. 27 to take them off in relays.

3. In Captain Newby's report, para. 13, he states that there was an empty Liberty Ship which could have been moved along the quay. The ship in question, the Louis Joliet, finished her cargo about 1100 hours that morning and was under orders to sail at noon, that she did not do so, and in fact, did not sail until the next morning, was the fault of the Master of the vessel, who first of all said that he was unable to sail owing to weather conditions and afterwards made a further excuse that one tug was not sufficient and he required another one. This was at 1600 when I had just returned from Naples. At that moment the second tug, The Santos, was engaged in berthing a Liberty Ship in Castellammare, by the time she was berthed it was too late to do anything more that night.

4. The Delhi grain ship, and the Lech, fresh meat, (Military stores) were at anchor outside Torre annunziata, the Delhi waiting to move into the Louis Joliet's berth and the Lech into the Lublin's berth. Both these ships as far as I was aware had definite priority over the Abbazia and that was why I left instructions that they must dock before her.

5. It must be realised in a small port like Torre Annunziata that there may be occasions in the future where all the berths will be occupied and the Abbazia may again have to anchor outside and await a berth. I do not see how this can be avoided unless she is given TOP priority over everything else, and I am informed in advance of the hour and date of her expected arrival.

6. In conclusion I would like to add the first time that I saw A.C. Shipping Memorandum No. 3 giving the January programme was when I received the attached report and Minute Sheets.

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Naples Area.

SUBJECT: SARDINIAN FERRY SERVICE S.S. ABBAZIA

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2. The next day Tuesday, January 2nd, I called at Torre Annunziata on my way up to Naples for the usual Tuesday Conference In the harbour at that time there was the Louis Joliet in No. 1 and 2 berths, the Lublin and Itu in No. 3 and 4 berths respectively. I was informed that the passengers were still on board, so I gave instructions for the Tug No. 27 to take them off in relays.

3. In Captain Newby's report, para. 13, he states that there was an empty Liberty Ship which could have been moved along the quay. The ship in question, the Louis Joliet, finished her cargo about 1100 hours that morning and was under orders to sail at noon, that she did not do so, and in fact, did not sail until the next morning, was the fault of the Master of the vessel, who first of all said that he was unable to sail owing to weather conditions and afterwards made a further excuse that one tug was not sufficient and he required another one. This was at 1600 when I had just returned from Naples. At that moment the second tug, The Santos, was engaged in berthing a Liberty Ship in Castellammare, by the time she was berthed it was too late to do anything more that night.

4. The Delhi grain ship, and the Lech, fresh meat, (Military stores) were at anchor outside Torre annunziata, the Delhi waiting to move into the Louis Joliet's berth and the Lech into the Lublin's berth. Both these ships as far as I was aware had definite priority over the Abbazia and that was why I left instructions that they must dock before her.

5. It must be realised in a small port like Torre Annunziata that there may be occasions in the future where all the berths will be occupied and the Abbazia may again have to anchor outside and await a berth. I do not see how this can be avoided unless she is given TOP priority over everything else, and I am informed in advance of the hour and date of her expected arrival.

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6. In conclusion I would like to add the first time that I saw A.C. Shipping Memorandum No. 3 giving the January programme was when I received the attached report and Minute Sheets.

Sgd. C. H. Malam.

LIEUTENANT, R.N.R.
Resident Naval Officer.

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CWO. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AC/S10/194/TR.3

12 March 1945

SUBJECT : Reservation on Abbazia.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Sardinia Region.

Your letter Ref. TrTN/160L dated 10 March has been passed to Regional Commissioner Southern Region.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

J.H.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

12 March 1945

AC/610/123/TN.3

SUBJECT : Reservation in ex Abbazia.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region.

The attached letter is passed to you for necessary action.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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ALCOM SARDINIA INFO MEDBO SCHOONER CONTROL NAPLES

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

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GB/bm (121)

Translation

Società per le
Ferrovie Complementari
della Sardegna.

Main Office in Rome

Ref: A.11/88/182/184.

Rome - 26th February '45

Via Nomentana, 92
Tel : 80667.

Transportation Sub-Commission
Allied Commission
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Soc. Ferrovie Complementari della
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SOCIETÀ
PER LE
FERRORIE COMPLEMENTARI DELLA SARDEGNA
CAPITALE SOCIALE L. 1.600.000 VERSATO
SEDE IN ROMA

C. P. F. C. 2041

N. A.11/88/183/18H
(DA CITARE NELLA RISPOSTA)

OGGETTO

Roma, 26Febbraio 1945
~~Via Ravenna,74 - Telef. FerrSardFerr~~
~~Telef. 81.896 - 81.356~~
Via Nomentana,92 Tel.80667

Transportation sub Commission
Allied Commission
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Per quanto riguarda tariffe, o quanto altro possa avere attinenza alla gestione dei motovelieri potranno essere presi gli opportuni accordi con gli enti competenti.

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Questa Società data la finalità che si ripromette la proposta confida che essa verrà presa in considerazione da parte di codesta On.Commissione e appoggiata benevolmente presso l'Ente che dovrà concedere l'autorizzazione alla concessione.

SOCIETÀ COMPLEMENTARI DELLA SARDEGNA
L'Amministratore Delegato

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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11 MAR 45

Ref : AC/610/119/Tn 3

SUBJECT: Shipments into Sardinia

TO : Directors Agriculture S/C
Air Force S/C
Commerce S/C
Communications S/C
Food S/C
Industry S/C
Land Forces S/C
Navy S/C
Public Health S/C
Public Works and Utilities S/C
Chief UNRRA Italian Mission
Regional Commissioner, Southern Region
(for Regional Transportation Officer)
MEDBO Schooner Control Naples - (With copy of Ltr referred to)

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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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AFHQ - G-4 (Mov & Tn)
G-5 (Economics & Supply Div)
Shipping Sub Commission
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W.S.A.

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ALCOM SARDINIA

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CAPT., U.S.A.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

Ref: Hq/2141

28 FEB 45

Subject: Ferry Service - S/S ABBAZIA

To: Transportation S/Commission, HQ.AC,
(Att: Major Mc Clure).

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1. With reference to your letter AC/37/35/Tn-3 dated 3.1/45, appended is a list of Commodities, with weights, which will probably be ready to be shipped per S/S ABBAZIA during the month of March 1945:

Commodity	Weight in Tons
Cork	411
Skins	124
Fibre	130
Willows	10
Magnesium Sulphate	10
Various Minerals	50
Miscellaneous	4
Total	739 Tons

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2. Please notify this Headquarters your allocation of loading priorities.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Kochleff, Lt.

B.KOCHELEFF LIEUT.
COM./IND. & EXPORT OFFICER

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

27 FEB 45

Ref:TPTN/1602/6
Subject: Forms S.B.2 - SS ABBAZIA
To: HQ.AC,Transportation S/Commission,
(Att: Mr. Merritt H. Taylor).

1. Your letter AC/12/A/Tn-3,dated 22.2/45 refers.
2. U.S.A. Truck N°6019557 was consigned per S/S ABBAZIA to "Army Air Force HQ. 58th AACS Gr.-APO 550-U.S.Army" Naples,as per attached further copy of the relevant Form S.B.2.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Kocheleff Lt -

B.KOCHELEFF LIEUT.
COMM/IND. & EXPORT OFFICER

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

2788 2 MARCH 45 PRIORITY

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/610/113/Tn.3 2 March 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments into Sardinia.

TO : ~~Directors~~, Agriculture Sub-Commission
Air Forces " "
Commerce " "
Communications " "
Food " "
Industry " "
Land Forces " "
Navy " "
Public Health " "
Public Works and Utilities Sub-Comm.
Chief, U.N.R.R.A., Italian Mission
Regional Commissioner, Southern Region,
for Regional Transportation Officer

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2. The instructions contained in para 3 are therefore cancelled.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Regional Commissioner Sardinia Region
AFHQ G-4 (Mov & Tn)
G-5 (Economics and Supply Div.)
M.W.T.
W.S.A.

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Want to Increase re Cargo for Sardinia. See Fr. letter 5. 21/2/45 (112)

ALLIED COMMISSION

SOUTHERN REGION

21 February, 1945

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Mr. Charles C. Crooks
Lt.Col. M.J. Sieff,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

See 110 Foster Crooks

From: Stanley P. France

Subject: Sardinia Ferry - S.S. "ABBAZIA"

For the four voyages made by the S.S. "ABBAZIA" from the mainland to Sardinia, the following loadings were made:

Voyage No.	1	-	210 Tons
" "	2	-	110 "
" "	3	-	289 "
" "	4	-	179 "
Total		-	788 Tons

The present permissible loading capacity is approximately 1,000 tons per voyage. Additional cargo can be loaded at Torre Annunziata with no delay to sailings. The heretofore average loadings are less than 20% of capacity.

Is it possible to obtain more cargo destined for Sardinia? Are there any schooners, or other vessels operating between this area and Sardinia? If so, could not their cargoes be diverted to the "ABBAZIA", thus releasing them for other duties?

Stanley P. France

Stanley P. France.

cc: Capt. Smith,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission,
Southern Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AC/610/111/Tn.3

28 February 1945

SUBJECT : Bid.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region, Naples
(Attn. Tn. Officer, for Capt. Smith)

Attached is Bid No. 353/45 Torre Annunziata-Cagliari, various materials.

Please arrange shipment on the Abbazia.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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A.(110)

19/8.01

21 February 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister.

In reply to your letter No. 125/[illegible]VI of 9th February 1945, forwarding copy of a letter from the Sassari Section of the Liberal Party.

A ferry service for carrying passengers and cargo was established between Cagliari and Torre Annunziata at the end of December and has since been functioning satisfactorily. Two vessels allocated to this service by the E. C. Abbazia.

Cagliari was chosen as the Sardinian terminal of this service, because there was a large demand for movement of personnel and stores from this area to the mainland and the port was organised to handle the traffic. Olbia was not considered suitable because draft limitations restrict the type of ship which can be used, and because the bulk of the traffic at Olbia for which top priority has been given by the Italian authorities is livestock. In the meantime a regular livestock ferry has also been established between Cagliari and Civitavecchia.

It is desired to transfer the Sardinian terminal of this livestock ferry to Olbia as soon as a suitable ship can be found and adapted for carrying livestock. The present vessels allocated to this service are too large to enter Olbia. They are normally engaged on military traffic, and have been loaned by the shipping authorities pending the finding of a vessel of suitable draft.

Arrangements have been made in Sardinia whereby train services from and to the northern provinces connect with the present established personnel and cargo ferry at Cagliari. Availability of suitable shipping is such that it is unlikely that an additional passenger ship can be allocated for the Olbia - Civitavecchia ferry at present though this matter will be taken up and pursued with the

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Mediterranean Shipping Board. I would mention that the latter body have approved in the establishment of a passenger ferry service from Palermo to the Mainland but so far have not found it possible to allocate a suitable vessel for this traffic due to higher priority military needs for this type of shipping.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

cc: Transp S/C
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION AMGcC/lr
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AC/610/110/Tn.3 23 February 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments into Sardinia.

TO : Directors, Agriculture Sub-Comm.
Air Forces " "
Commerce " "
Communications " "
Food " "
Industry " "
Land Forces " "
Navy " "
Public Health " "
Public Works and Utilities Sub-Comm.
Chief, U.N.R.R.A., Italian Mission
Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, for
Regional Transportation Officer.

NCDBO Schools Control Naples

1. A.C. Shipping Instruction No.3, dated 15 December '44, gives details of the Cagliari (Sardinia) to Torre Annunziata Ferry Service, now being carried out by the S.S. Abbazia. This vessel is making two round trips per month; future sailing dates are given below.

CAGLIARI	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
Dep. 25 Feb.	Arr. 27 Feb.
Arr. 6 March	Dep. 4 March
Dep. 12 March	Arr. 14 March
Arr. 21 March	Dep. 19 March
Dep. 27 March	Arr. 29 March
Arr. 5 April	Dep. 3 April
Dep. 11 April	Arr. 13 April
Arr. 20 April	Dep. 18 April
Dep. 26 April	Arr. 28 April
Arr. 5 May	Dep. 3 May

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2. Her cargo capacity is at least 1000 tons, which is normally well taken up with Sardinian exports. On the other hand she has been returning to Sardinia nearly empty. In view of the fact that Sardinia is short of supplies of nearly all kinds, it is felt that a drive should be made to make full use of the S.S. Abbazia, and so prevent any further wastage of valuable shipping

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TO : Directors, Agriculture — Sub-Comm.
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Regional Transportation Officer.

M.C.C.C. Schemes Control Naples

1. A.C. Shipping Instruction No.3, dated 15 December '44, gives details of the Cagliari (Sardinia) to Torre Annunziata Ferry Service, now being carried out by the S.S. Abbazia. This vessel is making two round trips per month; future sailing dates are given below.

CAGLIARI	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
Dep. 25 Feb.	Arr. 27 Feb.
Arr. 6 March	Dep. 8 March
Dep. 12 March	Arr. 14 March
Arr. 21 March	Dep. 19 March
Dep. 27 March	Arr. 29 March
Arr. 5 April	Dep. 3 April
Dep. 11 April	Arr. 13 April
Arr. 20 April	Dep. 18 April
Dep. 26 April	Arr. 28 April
Arr. 5 May	Dep. 3 May

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2. Her cargo capacity is at least 1000 tons, which is normally well taken up with Sardinian exports. On the other hand she has been returning to Sardinia nearly empty. In view of the fact that Sardinia is short of supplies of nearly all kinds, it is felt that a drive should be made to make full use of the S.S. Abbazia, and so prevent any further wastage of valuable shipping space.

3. As a contribution to this end the Tirrenia Navigation Co., who are operating the service, should be asked to put suitable notices in the local press, advertising sailings and encouraging local forwarding agents to collect parcels for shipment. This should be taken up by the Regional Transportation Officer, Southern Region.

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4. In conclusion, it is hoped that all concerned will cooperate to ensure that full advantage is taken of the ferry service, in order to make the best use of the shipping tonnage available and to help re-establish the trade between the Mainland and Sardinia.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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IN AND OUT YEARLY TRAFFIC FROM SARDINIA, DIVIDED AMONG THE VARIOUS POSTAL LINES SUBSIDIZED BY STATE - 1938

Line 3 - Civitavecchia - Olbia - Daily:

In	t.	13363	passengers	113803	no. of cattle		60
Out	t.	13109	"	107488	" " "		3226
	t.	26472	"	221291	" " "		3286
per day	t.	73	"	606	" " "		9

Line 5 - Naples, Cagliari - Weekly:

In	t.	12011	passengers	3279			
Out	t.	4825	"	2854	no. of cattle		139
	t.	16836	"	6133	" " "		139
per week	t.	323	"	118	" " "		2

Line 6 - Genoa - Sardinia - Sicily - each fortnight:

In	t.	11179	passengers	1775	no. of cattle		540
Out	t.	10288	"	1089	" " "		2052
	t.	21467	"	2864	" " "		2592
per week	t.	412	"	55	" " "		50

Line 7 - Genoa - Sardinia - Sicily - each fortnight:

In	t.	18242	passengers	2068	no. of cattle		465
Out	t.	5381	"	1395	" " "		2797
	t.	23623	"	3463	" " "		3262
per week		454	"	66	" " "		62

Line 8 - Genoa - Leghorn - P. Torres - weekly:

In	t.	15627	passengers	720	no. of cattle		3
Out	t.	5282	"	930	" " "		984
	t.	20909	"	1650	" " "		987
per week	t.	402	"	31	" " "		19

Line 10 - Genoa - Sardinia - Genoa - weekly:

In	t.	11201	passenger	236			
Out	t.	4515	"	197	no. of cattle		2
	t.	15716	"	433	" " "		2
per week	t.	302	"	8	" " "		0

Line 15 - Genoa - Civitavecchia - Cagliari - Sicily - weekly:

In	t.	14987	passenger	2372	no. of cattle		1125
Out	t.	9681	"	3200	" " "		189
	t.	24668	"	5572	" " "		114
per week	t.	474	"	107	" " "		2

Total of all the lines after having deducted the traffic with Sardinian ports:

Out	t.	53081	passengers	117153	no. of cattle		9309
In	t.	96610	"	124253	" " "		1073
	t.	149691	"	241406	" " "		10382

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TRAFFICO ANNUO D'ENTRATA E D'USCITA DELLA SARDEGNA
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(anno 1938)

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al giorno	"	73	"	606	"	"	9

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref: AC/610/106/Tn.3. 15 February 1945

SUBJECT: Olbia Civitavecchia ferry.

TO : Economic Section.

1. Reference your minute 176.

2. Attached, (Flag A), is a copy of a letter written to the Regional Commissioner Sardinia re the establishment of a ferry service Olbia - Civitavecchia and his reply (Flag B.)

3. Attached, (Flag C.) is suggested draft reply for Premier Bonomi.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ref: AC/610/90/Tn.3

1 February 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia/mainland Ferry.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

1. Reference Italian theatre H.Q. P.W.B. unit 12 Summary n. 51 of 18th January 1945.

Will you please let us have your views on the extract below at 2.

"2. N. 26.An Order of the Day of the Provincial Committee of Liberation of Sassari.

The Committee of Liberation of Sassari, noting with pleasure the re-activation of maritime comunications between Sardinia and the Continent, voted an order of the day in which they state that geographic, economic and transport reasons make it necessary that the service be opened up between Civitavecchia and Olbia. This is the shortest and most convenient route both for passengers and freight as the biggest export centres at present are near the port of Olbia.

It is considered that the same reasons which in the past determined the starting of a line of communications Olbia-Civitavecchia apply even more strongly in the present circumstances.

The Committee, therefore, asks the High Commissioner to intervene with the Italian and Allied authorities, in order to have the service take up its former itinerary.

(N.B. The port from which sailings were recommended is Cagliari)."

Bu Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

11th February 1945.

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Reference: Tptn/1605/1

Subject : Sardinia - Mainland Ferry.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. With reference to your AC/610/90/TN3 of 1st February 1945 and the Order of the Day of the Provincial Committee of Liberation of SASSARI, the points of this question are given briefly below.

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5. The above gives the general facts briefly and the choice of routes seems to be ultimately a Naval consideration. Control facilities for loading and off-loading are established at CAGLIARI which is now a well run Port with railway and organised road transport. The volume of trade is still very small and well within the existing facilities.

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If OLBIA is opened up as a Port, control will have to be established there as well as at CAGLIARI and there will, no doubt, be a demand for transport, petrol, coal etc., to increase loading and off-loading facilities there.

6. In due course when the whole of ITALY is liberated and handed back to the Italian Government the re-establishment of the OLBIA-CIVITAVECCHIA service may become justified. At present, and in the immediate "war" future, I can see no justification for such a proposition being further considered.

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

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D R A F T

Dear,

Reference your letter of 9th February.

A ferry service for carrying passengers and cargo was established between Cagliari and Torre Annunziata at the end of December and has since been functioning satisfactorily. The vessel allocated to this service is the S.S. Abbazia.

Cagliari was chosen as the Sardinian terminal of this service, because there was a large demand for movement of personnel and stores from this area to the mainland and the port was organised to handle the traffic. Olbia was not considered suitable because draft limitations restrict the type of ship which can be used and because the bulk of the traffic ex Olbia for which top priority has been given by the Italian authorities is livestock. In the meantime a regular livestock ferry has also been established between Cagliari and Civitavecchia.

It is desired to transfer the Sardinian terminal of this livestock ferry to Olbia as soon as a suitable ship can be found and adapted for carrying livestock. The present vessels allocated to this service are too large to enter Olbia. They are normally engaged on military traffic, and have been loaned by the shipping authorities pending the finding of a vessel of suitable draft.

Arrangements have been made in Sardinia whereby train services from and to the northern provinces to connect with the presently established personnel and cargo ferry at Cagliari. Availability of suitable shipping is such that it is unlikely that an additional passenger ship can be allocated for the

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ITALIAN LIBERAL PARTY
Sassari section

Provincial Direction

Sassari, 30 December 1944

To H. Ex. the President of the Council
of Ministers
R o m e

The Sassari Provincial section of the Italian Liberal Party fully agreeing with the deliberation of the Sassari Provincial Committee for Liberation, asking for the re-establishment of the communications between Sardinia and the Continent, because of the geografic conditions of the island and the general economic requirements of all Sards, points out that there are no longer any obstacles to the re-establishment of the Olbia-Civitavecchia line, for in both harbours, the damages caused by the war have already been repaired.

On the other hand, while to unblock the communications with the continent it would be natural to rehabilitate the shortest line, we point out that these communications mostly take place with the Capital, which practically concentrates all commercial and administrative relations, as well as passengers traffic.

Keeping this in mind, we must point out that the Olbia Civitavecchia line is 12[illegible] miles long, i.e. 231,[illegible] kms while the Cagliari - Naples one is 267 miles long, i.e. 494,[illegible] kms, i.e. twice longer.

To this distance, to reach the Capital, we must add the railroad distance Rome-Civitavecchia which is of 81 kms, while there are 214 kms between Rome and Naples. - The journey by Civitavecchia is only of 312,5 kms, while that through Naples is of 708,[illegible] kms., i.e. twice longer, the cost and loss of time being obviously much greater.

As there are no regular Rome-Naples service, people can only rely on very expensive and uncertain means of fortune, which can be obtained neither easily, nor quickly. With such means, people would be compelled to make use of the ordinary road, instead of the railroad, [illegible], thus lengthening the distance of another 22 kms., for the Rome Naples distance is of 256 kms by road while it is only of 214 kms by railroad. The Civitavecchia-Rome road would shorten the distance, for there are only 71 kms by road, while there are 81 kms by railway. The railway line is already functioning.

We must also stress the fact that the goods which might be exported from the island are for the most part in the Northern area, as work of which

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of Ministers

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We must also stress the fact that the goods which might be exported from the island are for the most part in the Northern area, as cork of which a large quantity is at Olbia, ready to be shipped, while foodstuffs such as lambs and cheese are also for the greatest part in the central and Northern part of the island.

It must be remembered that the longer sea distance makes the traffic much slower, and the lack of adequate means would make it easy for the foodtuffs to go bad.

We therefore ask for action to be taken in the interest of the Island and of the Nation, and we decide to communicate the present order of the day to the Allied Authorities, to H. Ex. the High Commissioner, to the President of the Council, to the Ministry of Communications, and to the Commissariat for Alimentation.

For the Provincial Section
S. Manato

e.c.

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The President of the Council of Ministers
n. 125/XXXVI

Rome, 9 February 1945

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Dear Admiral,

I take the liberty of drawing your personal attention on the subject mentioned in the enclosed copy of the Nasseri Section of the Liberal Party, about the communications between the Continent and Sardinia.

I shall be most grateful if you can send me an answer on this subject.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

S. I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

Reference : Tptn/1605/1

11th February 1945

Subject : Sardinia - Mainland Ferry.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

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A Special train service is organised in SARDINIA in connection with the sailing of this ship from CAGLIARI and the bulk of the cargo shipped so far (particularly salt) is available in or near CAGLIARI itself.

Return cargoes from NAPLES have been disappointingly small because of limited loading facilities. There is, however, no reason to suppose that these facilities would be better at CIVITAVECCHIA. The bulk of the return cargoes are also for destinations in or near CAGLIARI and half the population of SARDINIA is in CAGLIARI Province.

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5. The above gives the general facts briefly and the choice of routes seems to be ultimately a Naval consideration. Control facilities for loading and off-loading are established at CAGLIARI which is now a well run Port with railway and organised road transport. The volume of trade is still very small and well within the existing facilities.

If OLBIA is opened up as a Port, control will have to be established there as well as at CAGLIARI and there will, no doubt, be a demand for transport, petrol, coal etc., to increase loading and off-loading facilities there.

6. In due course when the whole of ITALY is liberated and handed back to the Italian Government the re-establishment of the OLBIA-CIVITAVECCHIA service may become justified. At present, and in the immediate "war" future, I can see no justification for such a proposition being further considered.

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

JACP/ajs.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/610/103/Tn.3

13 February 1945

SUBJECT : Calcium Carbide in drums.

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

(1034)

1. Ref. your S/86/4/G.D.M. dated 7 Feb.

2. The shipping order forms were sent to you as the material is unsuitable for shipment on the Abbasia.

3. Can you please arrange shipment on another vessel.

For the Chief Commissioner :

BERNETT H.TAYLOR
Director

Copy : G-5 Section A.F.H.Q.
Regional Commissioner Southern Region
(attn. Capt.Smith)

A.F.H.Q. signal FX.31866 of 22 Feb. sets up "Empire Don" to lift carbide after completion Discharge of coal at Bagnoli.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-4 (Mov & Tn)5/86/4/GDM

7 Feb 45

Tel : FREEDOM 889

Subject : Calcium Carbide in Drums

To : Allied Commission
Tn Sub Commission
ROME.

1. The attached shipping order forms from Alcom Southern Region for the movement of 612 Drums Calcium Carbide NAPLES to CAGLIARI are forwarded to you for your information and necessary action.

2. This traffic should be loaded to the ABAZZIA, please so inform Alcom Southern Region, and instruct for future.

E. Sweet Capt.

see also (103) G.SWEET, Capt.
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G.(Mov & Tn)

GS/hj.

Copy to : G-5

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ALCOM SARDINIA

1518 10 FEB 45 ROUTINE

IN CLEAR PD.

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS FEBRUARY CARGO FOR ARBAZIA PD

PAREN TO ALCOM SARDINIA FROM ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

YOUR FOUR NINE FOUR REFERS OF EIGHT FEB REFERS PD

PARA TWO PD WHERE ESTIMATED TOTAL CARGO IS NOT IN EXCESS OF STEAMERS CAPACITY FOR THE MONTH NO PRIORITIES WILL BE ALLOCATED PD

COPY TO COMMERCE SUB CORD

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TRANSPORTATION CC

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Southern Region

MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. CHARLES C. CROCKS
Lt. Col. M. J. SIEFF

Feb. 8, 1945

SUBJECT : - Sardinia Ferry - S.S. "ABBAZIA"

The captioned vessel was recently berthed at Torre Annunziata for a period of 5 days, 2½ hours, during which [redacted] she discharged 243 passengers and 1070 tons freight, also embarked 255 passengers, 289 tons freight and one standard P.U. automobile.

Freight discharge and loading was completed approximately 18 hours prior to sailing. Additional freight could have been loaded, if available.

The Schooner "Leonardo da Vinci", holding sugar since Jan. 3rd, and the Schooner "Liliana", holding general cargo since Jan. 19th, discharged their cargoes into the "Abbazia", and have departed.

Previous delays in discharging and loading this vessel at Torre Annunziata may be partly attributed to the following factors:

1. Freight and vehicle congestion during peak periods of discharge at No. 2 Berth due to narrow apron of quay. (This condition has been alleviated by temporarily using the adjoining quay space of Magazzini Generali).

2. Previous bad weather conditions and the tendency of the stevedores not to work beyond the day shift. (During the recent discharge and loading, constant pressure was applied on the stevedores and two daily shifts of 10 hours duration each were maintained throughout).

3. Lack of dollies (This item was included in my recent teletyped request to Col. Balfour).

Providing no unforeseen contingencies occur, and that constant pressure is applied on the stevedores, the writer sees no reason why the time schedule of this ferry service should not be maintained at Torre Annunziata.

Stanley P. France

STANLEY P. FRANCE
Transportation Sub-Com.

cc: Capt. Smith
Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Com. (Southern Region)
Naples.

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION SARDINIA REGION FOR INFO

1107 4 FEB 45 ROUTINE

CONFIDENTIAL FD

PARA ONE FD ABBAZIA BALLAST FD

PAREN TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION FOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER FOR SMITH TO SARDINIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FROM ALCOM PAREN

PARA TWO FD PROVIDED THAT CARGO CARRYING CAPACITY OF ONE ZEROX ZERO ZERO TONS IS NOT AFFECTED ARRANGE SUFFICIENT BALLAST BE PUT ONBOARD TO SATISFY MASTER FD

PARA THREE FD ADVISE POSITION HUGHES INFO TO BALFOUR AT MEDBO MEETING FD

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

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List of Goods (Bids) received up to the 29 Dec 44 for consignment to Cagliari on the S.S. ABAZZIA.

Commodity	No of Cases	Tons DW	Cubic Ft	Shipper	Receiver	Ref
Newsprint		31		Depot 676, Naples	E & S Cagliari	46/45
Printing Ink		1		" " "	"	"
Brattice Cloth	10	1	144	" " "	Min' Div Cagliari	46/45
Welding Electrodes	16	2	30	" " "	"	31/45
Miners Lamps	43	2	292	" " "	"	"
Paper		1		Agenzia Marittima della Stato, Naples	Ferrovia della Stato Sardinia	
String		65 lbs		"	"	AC/8/97/Tn/S
Shovels	27 No			"	"	
Borax Powder		130 lbs				
Vegetable Rubber		220 lbs		"	"	
Matches in wooden cases		12 tons	1200 cf	Saffa Match Factory, Naples		
Tank Lorry (Maren Lancia Ep')	1	4½ tons	1600 cf	Mtrs 2.10 X 6.35 X 2.60 Com. It Petroli (C.I.P)	(C.I.F) Stabilment, Via S. Gella, Cagliari	
Textile Supplies		12 tons		Depot 1254 Via Bologna, Naples	Elisio Pall, Via Boyle; Cagliari. c/o Gruppo Lamiero Sardo	AC 56 16
Sugar		325 tons		Depot 676, Naples.		AC 560
Shoes	3,000 pairs			Zienda Carboni, Via Roma, 265 Naples. phone 1080		AC 61

To TN Sub Comm' ROME.

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LIST OF BIDS FOR CARRIAGE OF GOODS NAPLES TO CAGLIARI

Bids No.	Material	Pr.	Tons	Date sent to Naples	From	To
21	Ration cards in cases	5	12	7. Dec.	Naples	Cagliari
22	Box ball bearings	4	200 lbs.	7 Dec.	"	"
23	Tanned goat & Sheep skin	6	8	7 Dec.	"	"
25	Tank Lorry	4	5	7 Dec.	"	"
29	Matches in wooden cases	5	12	7 Dec.	"	"
30	Empty sacks	4	5	7 Dec.	"	"
31	Cloth. Weld	3	5	7 Dec.	"	"
46	Newsprint & Printing Ink	4	(4 4) 31 1	23 Dec.	"	"
60	Sugar	1	325	27 Dec.	"	"
61	Shoes	3	3	27 Dec.	"	"

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Say 500 tons
Space

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref: AC/610/98/Tn.3. 5 February 1945

SUBJECT : Ferry Service - SS Abbazia.

TO : HQ Sardinia Region

1. Attached is copy of letter addressed to you dated 3 Jan. 1945 which Capt. Turner advises you have not yet received.

MERRITT. H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

30th January 1945

Reference :HQ/2141

Subject : S.S. ABBAZIA

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

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4. It would seem that further organisation is needed with respect to the sailing of this ship at NAPLES, could the case for more cargo facilities please be represented.

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

JACP/ajs.

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Colonel. 1116
Regional Commissioner.

JACP/ajs.

Copy to : Commerce Sub-Commission,
H.Q Allied Commission.

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CARGO MANIFEST OF S/S ABBAZIA

From : NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA)

To : CAGLIARI

Departed on the 21st January 1945
Arrived on the 23rd January 1945

COMMODITY	WEIGHT TONS	CONSIGNOR	CONSIGNEE
Shoes	0,6	Perez Gioacchino	The same
Clothing	0,75	Croce Rosa Italiana	" "
Shoes	0,445	Adamo Ignazio	" "
Books, copy books	5	Dessy Giuseppe	" "
" " "	1,35	" "	" "
Mail, forms	4,088	Ufficio Postale,Naples	Ufficio Postale, CAGLIARI.
Forms, spare parts	1,2	Ferrovie Stato	Ferrovie Stato
Books	1,25	Dessy Giuseppe	the same
Shoes, clothing	3	Carbosarda	Carbosarda
Newsprint	14,32	Southern Region	Sardinia Region
"	23,199	Warehouse 676	" "
Clothing	0,1	Depot 676	Mining Division
Sugar	39,464	Warehouse 676	Consorzio Agrario
Blasting Fuse	4,222	Eng.Depot E 250	Mining Division
Tobacco	16,247	Tobacco Monopoly	the same
Shoes	9,21	Col.Simmons, AGS	" "
1 Car	1,5	Capt.Newby, AC	" "
	125,945		

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CARGO MANIFEST OF S/S ABBAZIA

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From : NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA
To : CAGLIARI

Departed on the 6th January 1945
Arrived on the 11th January 1945

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COMMODITY	WEIGHT TONS	CONSIGNOR	CONSIGNEE
Shoes, soap, Clothing	14½	Azienda Carbonifera SA	Carbonifera Sarda
Socks, wicks, water bottles	2,882	State Railways	State Railways
Books, Exercise Books	7,25	Dessy Giuseppe	Dessy Giuseppe
Shoes, Blankets, Socks	7	AC for Carabinieri	AC for Carabinieri
Printing Paper	7,6	Depot 1254	AC Sardinia
Sugar	154,2	AC o/w hm 676	Consorzio Agrario Cagliari
Sugar	22,1	"	"
Tons	215,532		

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TRANSLATION

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FROM THE COMMANDER OF THE S/S ABBAZIA

Dated 24 January 1945 SUBJECT : S/S ABBAZIA

TO : Comando Marina, CAGLIARI (for action)
COGENA, Cagliari, (for info)
AC, Cagliari (for info)

The undersigned has insisted and still insists that a minimum of ballast be put on board in order to steady the ship during her crossing CAGLIARI - NAPLES and vice-versa.

If ballast cannot be provided, he suggests that the ship take enough cargo so as to enable her driving motors to function smoothly. Up to now for various reasons not even the minimum of cargo has been reached, and this has been due mostly to the fact that the sailing schedule for passengers has had priority over goods, which during the short staying in the ports cannot betaken care of properly.

During the crossing NAPLES - CAGLIARI of the 21-22-23 the steamer, in spite of her excellent seaworthiness, had a very hard time to break through the heavy sea, on account of her being almost empty. Only 125 tons of merchandise were loaded, while her deadweight is of 4700 tons. Under these conditions the ship, during the heavy sea, had to reduce her speed because her propellor was entirely above water, thus making the sailing of the steamer most difficult.

These difficulties could easily be eliminated by giving the steamer a large cargo thus making the voyages more regular and reducing the crossing to 32 hours.

(Signed) The Commander of SS ABBAZIA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

26 JAN 45

Ref:IPTN/1602/6
Subject:Shipment of Cork and Skins.
To: Transportation SubCommission,HQ.AC,
(Att:Mr.Merritt H.Taylor).

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1. Your letter AC/582/31/Tn.3 dated 21.1/45 refers.
2. As requested,500 qls cork and 500 qls skins mentioned in bid N°119/45 will be shipped per SS "ABBAZIA" at the beginning of Februery.
3. It is regretted that 500 qls cheese are not available for export.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Kochéleff Lt.

B.KOCHELEFF LIEUT.
TRADE & INDUSTRY OFFICER

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Copy to: Commerce SubCommission,
HQ.AC.(for info).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:259
Our Ref: AC/610/92/Tn.3.

30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Bid No. 119/45.

TO : Signor Vasa Battista & Comasu Adone
Aggius (Tempio Pausania)
Sardinia Region

1. Reference your bid for transportation of 500 qls.cork, 500 qls. skins and 500 qls. cheese.

2. Cork and skins will be shipped per S/S ABBAZIA, at the beginning of February.

3. Cheese is not available for export.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region
" " Commerce Sub-Commission HQ. AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394.
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ref: AC/610/90/TN3

1 February 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia/Mainland Ferry.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

1. Reference Italian theatre H.Q. P.W.B. unit 12 Summary N°.51 of 18th January 1945.
Will you please let us have your views on the extract below at 2.

" 2. N°.26.An Order of the Day of the Provincial Committee of Liberation of Sassari.

The Committee of Liberation of Sassari, noting with pleasure the re-activation of maritime comunications between Sardinia and the Continent, voted an order of the day in which they state that geographic,economic and transport reasons make it necessary that the service be opened up between Civitavecchia and Olbia.This is the shortest and most convenient route both for passengers and freight as the biggest export centres at present are near the port of Olbia.

It is considered that the same reasons which in the past determined the starting of a line of communications Olbia-Civitavecchia apply even more strongly in the present circumstances.

The Committee, therefore, asks the High Commissioner to intervene with the Italian and Allied authorities, in order to have the service take up its former itinerary.

(N.B. The port from which sailings were recommended is Cagliari)."

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

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for METRITT H.TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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26 JAN 1945
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Subject : Allied Commission Ferry Service SARDINIA - NAPLES.

G-4(Mov & Tn)5/86/9/CDH

20 Jan 45

Tele : FREEDOM 229

1. Service.

The S.S. ABAZZIA plies on Allied Commission account between CAGLIARI and NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA) completing two round trips each month. On arrival in ITALY, personnel and stores are discharged at TORRE ANNUNZIATA.

2. Capacity.

The vessel carries 250 personnel and 1000 tons of stores each voyage.

3. Personnel Accommodation.

ABAZZIA accommodates 30 personnel in cabins and the remainder in tween decks. All passengers provide their own bedding and food. There are no bunks in the tween decks and passengers travel "hard". Women and children should not travel in tween deck accommodation.

4. Personnel Priorities.

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(ii) Priority Two - Italian Service personnel.

(iii) Priority Three - All other Italian personnel.

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(d) The Italian Government will be responsible for the division into Sub Priorities of all personnel coming under Priority No. Three.

5. Reservation of Accommodation.

The Regional Commissioners Southern Region and SARDINIA Region will keep in reserve ten Priority One tickets for cabin accommodation for the use of Allied Service Personnel and Officials, until two days before sailing date. If not taken up, this accommodation will be made available to personnel with Priorities Nos. Two and Three as the situation warrants.

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6. Operation of the Service.

The actual operation of the service will be undertaken by the "Tirennia" Navigation Company and their agents, under the control of CO-GE-NA. The "Tirennia" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issue of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freight, passage moves etc.

7. Mil. Stores.

Bids for the movement of mil stores will be made in the normal way in accordance with Adm Memo No. 66 of 27 Dec 44. Loading instrs for such mil stores accepted will be sent by AFHQ to MEDBO Schooner Control, NAPLES.

8. The following is the January programme :-

CAGLIARI		TORRE ANNUNZIATA		CAGLIARI		TORRE ANNUNZIATA	
Arr.	5 Feb	Dep.	3 Feb	Arr.	22 March	Dep.	20 March
Dep.	10 Feb	Arr.	12 Feb	Dep.	27 March	Arr.	29 March
Arr.	20 Feb	Dep.	18 Feb	Arr.	6 Apr	Dep.	4 April
Dep.	25 Feb	Arr.	27 Feb	Dep.	11 April	Arr.	13 April
Arr.	7 March	Dep.	5 March	Arr.	21 April	Dep.	19 April
Dep.	12 March	Arr.	14 March	Dep.	26 April	Arr.	28 April

J.T. DANIEL, Col. USA.
Operations,
for Chief of Transportation,
U.S. Forces.

G. ACKERLEY, Col.,
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

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Distribution:

C in C Med
DSTO
G-1
G-4 (B)
G-3
G-5
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and bills of lading, also collection of all freight, passage moves etc.

7. Mil. Stores.

Bkgs for the movement of mil stores will be made in the normal way in accordance with Adm Memo No. 66 of 27 Dec 44. Loading instrs for such mil stores accepted will be sent by AFHQ to PEDRO Schooner Control, NAPLES.

8. The following is the January programme :-

CAGLIARI	TORRE ANNUNZIATA	CAGLIARI	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
Arr. 5 Feb	Dep. 3 Feb	Arr. 22 March	Dep. 20 March
Dep. 10 Feb	Arr. 12 Feb	Dep. 27 March	Arr. 29 March
Arr. 20 Feb	Dep. 18 Feb	Arr. 6 Apr	Dep. 4 April
Dep. 25 Feb	Arr. 27 Feb	Dep. 11 April	Arr. 13 April
Arr. 7 March	Dep. 5 March	Arr. 21 April	Dep. 19 April
Dep. 12 March	Arr. 14 March	Dep. 26 April	Arr. 28 April

J.T. DANAHER, Col. USA.
Operations,
for Chief of Transportation,
U.S. Forces.

G. ACKERLEY, Col.,
for Brigadier,
D.S.M.G.(Mov & Tn).

VK/rbe.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SOUTHERN REGION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section.

AC/Tn/S/58

23 Jan 45

SUBJECT :- Bids

TO :- Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION.

1. Reference Bid No 83/45 dated 15 Dec 44, referring to the shipment of 25 Barrels of Unrefined Paraffin Wax from Torre Annunziata to Cagliari.

2. As this commodity will have to be brought from Bari to Torre Annunziata before it can be shipped, it is suggested that it be sent by rail, and the Rail Section notified accordingly.

F. H. SMITH,
Capt, R.E,
Tn Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:259
Our Ref: AC/610/85/Tn.3.

25 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Shipment on the "ABBAZIA"

TO : G - 5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed 14 January 1945.
Torre Annunziata berthed. 16 Jan. 45

Material	Tons
Cork	3,300
Synthetic Coffee	5
Talc	38
Talc, Sulphates coloured	11,170
Mail	1,138
Raw whol	20,103
Skins	4,100
"	0,555
"	42,394
Talc, Zinc oxyde Sulphate	51,272
Skins	20
Salt	500
Spare parts	0,295
	697,227

232 Passengers

Napoli sailed 21 January 1945
Cagliari berthed. 23 Jan 1945

Material	Tons
Shoes	13,255
Clothes	0,850
Sugar	39,464
	7,600

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Cagliari berthed. 23 Jan 1945

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Shoes	13,255
Clothes	0,850
Sugar	39,464
Books	7,600
Mail	4,088
Print and spare parts	1,200
Printed paper	37,519
Tobacco	16,247
1 car	1,500
Fuses	4,222
	125,945

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232 Passengers

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SOUTHERN REGION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section.

AC/Tn/S/56 23 Jan 45.

SUBJECT :- S.S. "ABAZZIA"

TO :- Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. The above named vessel departed from Torre Annunziata at 1200 hrs Saturday 20 Jan 45, and after bunkering' at Naples sailed for Cagliari at 0925 hrs the following day.

2. Passengers and cargo were as follows:-

Passengers	-	Civilians	223
		A.C.	6
		Soldiers escorting) cargo of shoes)	3
			232 Total

Cargo - (particulars attached - 131.545 tons total
A.C. 108.262 tons

F. H. SMITH, 1107
Capt, R.E,
Tn Sub-Com.

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DETTAGLIO DELLE MERCI IMBARCATE SUL PIROSCAFO "ABAZZIA"
partito da Napoli il 21/1/1945

Calzature	Tonn.	13.255
Vestiario	"	0.850
Zucchero	"	39.464
Libri	"	7.600
Posta	"	4.088
Stampati e parti locomotive	"	1.200
Carta stampata	"	37.519
Tabacco	"	16.247
1 auto	"	1.500
Spolette	"	4.222
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

19th January 1945

Reference : HQ/2141

Subject : ABBAZIA

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission, Transportation Sub-Com

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As stated in our Signal No. 388 dated 19th January 1945 we are enclosing for your information a Copy of letter sent to the High Commissioner for SARDINIA and a copy of his unsatisfactory reply.

For the Regional Commissioner,

J.R.B. TURNER.
Captain.
Regional Commerce Officer.

JRBT/ajs.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA

5 JAN 45

Ref:CPTN/1602

Subject:COGENA

To: His Excellency the High Commissioner of Sardinia

1. Reference your letter 26741/11 December 29th on the subject of COGENA, Mr. GOLDSTAUB has visited this office and it is hoped satisfactory work will be carried out in future by COGENA.

2. The Ministry of Marina letter is noted.

Points which I wish to emphasize are as follows:

Schooners. Permission to sail ships and control of commodities to be shipped is exercised by the Allies in accordance with the war situation.

All details as to the supply of fuel and the actual collection and loading of authorised freight is, however, the responsibility of COGENA.

Secondly, as regard the ABBAZIA, when it became known that a ship might be available the following tonnage of authorised stores was given as ready for shipment by your office on the 5th of December 1944:

Skins	80,5	tons
Cork	920	"
Fibre	20	"
Colouring Earth	259	"
Woollen Articles	30	"
Talc	216	"
Zinc Oxide	80	"
Magnesium Sulphate	605	"
Soda Sulphate	25	"
Willows	70	"
Synthetic Coffee	1	"
Fertilyzers(KARITE)	1000	"
Empty Drums	25	"(Temporary export)
	3331	Tons

720 tons of cargo could be shipped

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On the arrival of the vessel only 720 tons of cargo could be shipped as the only stores ready proved to be the following: 1104

Cork	81	tons
Skins	67½	"
Talc	53½	"
Fibre	5	"
Synthetic Coffee	3	"
Zinc Oxide	2	"
Fertilyzers	508	"

For the second trip scheduled for the 13th of January the only authorised goods known to be ready for shipment are as follows:

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Salt	2/500	tons
Kalite	300	"
Cork	1	"
Barite	7½	"
Talc	9½	"
Red Lead	5	"
Cork	0,4	"
Fibre	25	"
Zinc Oxide	2	"
Talc	10	"
Colouring Earth	2	"
Willows	30	"
Cork	8	"
Magnesium Sulphate	20	"
Zinc Oxide	3	"
Talc	35	"

3. It appears that Mr;DELIAGISTRIS,the Head of your Trade & Ind. Division,has difficulty in bringing authorised goods to Cagliari,e.g.

Coloured Earth,Skins,Cork,etc.because the railway and M.T. Services are congested with the transport of non essential goods such as furniture.

I would remind Your Excellency that unless the tonnage on the ABBAZIA is taken up with properly authorised goods it is to be feared that this useful new regular service to the Mainland may be cancelled.

(signed) J.A.C.PENNYCUICK
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION (806)

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SARDINIA

Prot: 580/II - 9 JAN 45

TO: AC Cagliari.
COGENA Cagliari.

SUBJECT/ Exports.

We acknoledge receipt of your letter TPTN/1602 of the 5th inst.

I am obliged to state that the scarcity of transportations in the island has prevented the timely flow of exportable goods to Cagliari.

It must be kept in mind that hides and cork are to be found in the northern part of the island and many producers had applied for export, thinking that they might ship their goods either at CIBIA or ALGHERO, which are the natural ports of northern Sardinia. The port of CAGLIARI in normal times collected exclusively the goods of the mine districts and of the province of CAGLIARI.

To start now, in war time, a regular flow of traffic which was not normal in peace time, is very difficult. The shortage of vehicles is a well known fact. The few trucks available are used for food supplies and other urgent merchandises such as cement, talcum, coal, etc. Transportation of furniture is forbidden and I am going to issue new directives for giving priority number one to goods intended for export. We must also consider that the warehouses where the goods are kept, are often located far away from the railroads, and in this case, transportation from the warehouses to the nearest station becomes a serious problem.

We, therefore, wonder if it were not advisable to examine the possibility of restarting the schooner trade from the minor ports of Sardinia, thus solving the difficulties of exports from Cagliari. This would allow us to use the same schooners on the return trip for cargos which are most required in Sardinia, such as sulphur, wine, carbonium sulphate, tannin and so on.

As regard to the cargo of the SS ABBAZIA for the next 13th, there are - besides the goods listed in your letter - the following goods which have already come into Cagliari:

Synthetic Coffee	5	tons
Fibre	11	"
Skins	42	"
"	0,2	"
"	1	"
Wool	20	"

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We think that other goods will arrive before the 13th January. We trust that also for this second voyage of the SS ABBAZIA, we shall be able

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/610/78/Tn.3 22 January 1946

SUBJECT : Italian Service Personnel on leave to and from Sardinia.

TO : Southern Region.

In order to expedite the leave of Italian Military personnel to Sardinia it has been agreed with Land Forces Sub-Commission that for the voyages of SS Abbazia up to and including that leaving Torre Annunziata on 20 April, an additional 30 Italian Military Personnel will be carried, making a total of 100 in all, for each voyage.

Please ensure that arrangements are made accordingly.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

for HERBERT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Shipping Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.)
H.Q. AC Sardinia Region
G-4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

17th January 1945.

Ref. Aptn/1602.

see also (97)

Subject : SS ABBAZIA.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. I am enclosing a copy of letter which was handed to me by the Captain of the SS ABBAZIA.

2. The arrangement at CAGLIARI for berthing and loading have been satisfactory and on the last stay at CAGLIARI the SS ABBAZIA was able to gain a day, thus making up one of the two days that was lost owing to bad weather when the Service first commenced.

3. The trouble appears to be at NAPLES and the short time which was available at Torre Annunziatin for loading and unloading meant that 45 tons of cargo could not be unloaded and the total cargo to be shipped from NAPLES to SARDINIA only reached the small figure of 200 tons.

4. Regarding the question of permanent Ballast, this appears to be a matter where expert opinion is required.

JACP/cjm.

J. A. C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner. 1100

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Regional Commissioner. 1100

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FROM THE COMMANDER OF S/S ABBAZIA

COPY

11 JAN 45

TO: COGENA OF CAGLIARI.

According to the directives received and the routing assigned to the SS ABBAZIA, the first departure from Cagliari ought to have taken place on the 28th of December last. On account of bad weather although all loading operations were completed on the 28th, the steamer had to wait until the 30th.

Before sailing, the undersigned, learned from the Agency that the steamer was to land at TORRE ANNUNZIATA, but the intsructions previously received from the Naval Control of Cagliari on the 30th, were that the landing was to take place in Naples. According to these instructions, the steamer arrived in Naples on the morning of January 1st, but the ship instead of entereing the port, remained at large waiting orders, which we did our best to hasten, by signalling to Forte dell'Ovo, our arrival and pointing out the urgent need of disembarking the passengers as they were without food. Later, towards one o'clock, having received neither answer nor orders, I sent a launch with an officer to inform the Allied Authorities about our predicament. The situation was growing rapidly worse as the passengers having exausted all their supplies and not understanding this new delay, begun to inveigh against the Captain and rushed into the officer quarters and into the first class quarters. Capt. Newby of the British Army, who was on board, decided to go ashore to report to his superiors about what was going on.

Only at 1500 hours I received the order to go to TORRE ANNUNZIATA. The order was signed CASARDI. As soon as the launch returned, I sailed for TORREANNUNZIATA where nothing had been disposed for the arrival of the ABBAZIA, which had to wait all night. Only in the afternoon of the next day we could, through all sorts of hardship, disemoark the passengers with the help of a lighter, which took them to the docks. On the 3rd of January the steamer was allowed to enter the port where she started unloading. The weather which had been good up to the 3rd, changed for the worse, making unloading operations very difficult and threatening to damage the hulls of the ABBAZIA and of the nearby ships. Two cables and several ropes were lost. On the 8th we had to sail for Naples with still 45 tons of cargo to unload and with only 200 tons loaded. On the 6th at TORRE ANNUNZIATA we had to take on board 244 passengers on account of the bad weather and they hampered operations. On the 8th, at noon, we had to sail on account of the heavy rain which prevented operations and went to Naples for bunkering. At 1500 hours on the 8th, we entered the port of Naples. The following day at 1500 hours bunkering operations were stopped as the pilot arrived with the order to take the ABBAZIA outside the port, where we had to wait for instructions. These arrived on the 9th at 1015 hours and we sailed immediately.

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REMARKS AND PROPOSALS

The port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA does not offer any security during bad weather. The two buoys have been taken away and it is urgent that they be replaced if damage to the steamers is to be avoided. It is also necessary that the lights be replaced at the end of the two dikes.

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The port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA has not available space for the ABBAZIA along the dock,we propose to have her moored by the prow in order to disembark the passengers on the dock and not outside the port.

PERMANENT BALLAST AND REPAIR WORKS

In order to have the ABBAZIA fit for the service we propose to have her docked for a short while so at to put on her a certain amount of ballast in order to make her seaworthy,and at the same time to start the reconditioning works which had been suggested by the experts of the COGENA.Such works cannot be accomplished in the intervals between the sailings.

PASSENGERS

They all complain for having to embark and disembark at TORRE ANNUNZIATA.

BUNKERING

With the ship alongside P.L.M.14,bunkering cannot be completed and we shall be obliged to bunker at each trip until a minimum of permanent ballast has not be put on the steamer.

THE COMMANDER OF THE SHIP

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Subject:- Leave - Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/17

21 Jan 45.

H.Q. Transportation
Sub Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

Ref conversation Capt. the Lord Westbury-Maj. McClure.

1. It is understood that accommodation for a further 50 Military Personnel on leave could be made available on the Steamer ABAZZIA for a period of two months.

2. It will be appreciated if you will please arrange for the additional accommodation for 50 personnel to be made available for transportation of leave personnel.

F.J. Noakes

F.J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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17 Jan 45

Subject : SARDINIA - ITALY FERRY.

To : HQ, Allied Commission.

Tel: Freedom 229

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1. Ref your AC/37/55/Tn/S of 13 Jan.

2. As agreed with your rep., draft circular of 10 Jan has been prepared advising all authorities likely to be concerned with the movement of the "ABAZZIA". This is awaiting concurrence of MWTR.

3. The contents of your letter have been brought to the attention of MWTR.

4. It is suggested that reserve rations be carried on the ship and that the permanent employment of an Allied Commission "conducting officer" be considered.

C.F. RUSSELL, LT-COL.,
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

VK/tgl

Copy to : MWTR.

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Director, Transportation Sub-
Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission
Rome

19 January 1945

Dear Graham,

Thank you very much for your letter of 9 January 1945 which I received on my return to the office.

Every effort will be made to have a Transportation Sub-Commission representative at MTDBO meetings as you suggest.

I appreciate very much your cooperation in strengthening the MTDBO team in Rome, and I am sure that this will lead to very much better cooperation and that really tangible results will be forthcoming.

Yours sincerely,

see also (383A)

Mr. Gibson Graham
Ministry of War Transport
Mediterranean Representative
Navy House, Naples

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Ministry of War Transport,
Mediterranean Representative,
Navy House, Naples.

9th January, 1945.

Dear Taylor,

I am acknowledging your letter AC/37/33/Tn/S of 3rd January on the subject of the regular service between Cagliari and Naples. I agree that the issue of the Shipping Memorandum could have perhaps been of a tidier nature.

With reference to para. 4 of your letter, I am afraid that owing to the very nature of MTDBO it would be difficult to foresee all the occasions on which matters affecting the A.C. would be discussed. I wish to assure you however, that following the practice by which Lt. Col. Glanville attended the meetings of the Board should continue in the person of some other representative.

I appreciate the difficulty caused through shortage of staff and the fact that our respective H.Q. are so far apart, however in view of the fact that I have now strengthened the MTDBO team in Rome, I think our contact should be much better.

Yours sincerely,

/s/

M.H.Taylor, Esq.,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., A.C.
A.F.O. 394.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

SECRET

Tele : 478701

19 January 1945

Our ref.: AC/37/70/Tn 3

Subject : Sardinia/Mainland Ferry

To : See Distribution

Herewith future sailing programme for the Sardinia/ /Mainland ferry, at present being run by the S.S."Abbazia".

CAGLIARI	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
Arr. 5 Feb	Dep. 3 Feb
Dep. 10 Feb	Arr. 12 Feb
Arr. 20 Feb	Dep. 18 Feb
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Arr. 7 March	Dep. 5 March
Dep. 12 March	Arr. 14 March
Arr. 22 March	Dep. 20 March
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For the Chief Commissioner:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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HEADQUARTERS
SARDEGNA REGION ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 397

(69)

17 January 1945

D/O/TPTN/1607.

Dear Col Sacf.

I think I told you that whilst in Naples I am staying with the Director of Military Training C.M.F. (Brigadier Kenchengton). Amongst his many responsibilities is the training of the new Italian Army.

He has just returned from inspecting one of the Divisions who have been in the front line and are now out for a short rest and training.

They have given a good account of themselves but one of the big "MORALE" problems is LEAVE. There are about 150 to 200 Sardinians amongst them, and the Italian Divisional General is very anxious to grant them a short leave if possible.

The allotment of 50 per voyage on the S.S. ABBAZIA to M.M.I.A. is not sufficient to cover this, because the leave will have to be completed in about 6 weeks. Brigadier Kenchengton has already told the G.O.C. M.M.I.A., (Major General Browning) that he was going to mention the matter to me and General Browning was very pleased about it, of course General Browning could approach you direct on the matter, but I feel an offer to make a special allotment from Transportation Sub-Commission would be very much appreciated by him.

Brigadier Kenchington has also explained to me what a good Propaganda and Prestige feature it would be when the men found out that the Allies were taking an interest in their welfare.

The other Italian Divisions have had a lot of desertions through the LEAVE questions. I think I can safely say that the Regional Commissioner for Sardegna (Col. Pennycuick) would welcome any concession we could make in that direction.

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You will remember I told you that many undesirable civilians were getting permission to travel on the "ABBAZIA" so that a cut for say two months of at least 50 an their allotment to make room for Fighting Italian Personnel proceeding on leave. would not hurt them.

Would you give this matter your early consideration and if you can see your way clear to offter to M.M.I.A. a "SPECIAL" allotment for FIGHTING ITALIANS would you make the offer direct to General Browning, so that arrangements could be made for the next voyage.?

Brigadier Kenchington would appreciate notification of any action you might take in the matter, his address is

Brigadier Kenchington
D.M.T., C.M.F.

I know this is not my "pigeon" but I feel I would like to help all concerned so far as I could.

A second matter in respect of the S.S. ABBAZIA, she was again brought down to Naples by the Navy yesterday only to have to return to TORRE - ANUNZIATA and thereby lost about 10 hours. Perhaps you could take it up with the NAVY with a view to her always sailing direct to that port.

May I again thank you for your courtesey to me whilst I was in Rome.

Yours sincerely

John H Kenchington Capt

Regional Transportation Officer.

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APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:478701
Our Ref: AC/37/68/Tn.3

13 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Air Force Personnel.

TO : Hq. Southern Region
TO : HQ. Sardinia Region

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1. Enclosed is copy of letter No.AC/37/67/Tn.3 dated 13 January 1945 addressed to Air Forces Sub-Commission.

2. Five out of the fifty places allotted to Italian Service Personnel on leave are to be taken up by Italian Air Force Personnel.

3. With reference to para.1, (a) and (b) of the enclosed letter, please instruct the Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi in Naples (Porta Annunziata) and Cagliari accordingly.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

for Amb. Maj. RA
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

18 January 1945.

Tel:478701
Our Ref: AC/37/67/Tn.3

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Air Force Personnel

TO : Air Forces Sub-Commission.

1. With reference to your letter AFSC/R/313/4/ORG. dated 16 January 1945.

2. The Army permit shown at Appendix A to MMIA letter C/17 dated 13 January 1945 has been amended, for security reasons, to state only the following:-

a) Authority to whom the man should report, i.e. Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi at the Port of embarkation.

b) Date and time at which he should report.

It is therefore confirmed that:-

a) The permit in its new form may be used by Italian Air Force Personnel, with Italian Air Ministry's stamp, and stamp of Air Forces Sub-Commission.

b) The Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi has been instructed, through HQ.Southern Region and Sardinia Region, (see copy of letter attached) that such permits are to be accepted.

3. You will be informed as soon as possible of future sailing dates of the Ferry.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

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Encl.Letter AC/37/68/Tn.3

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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Copy to: HQ.ALCOM, Southern Region
HQ.ALCOM, Sardinia Region
Land Forces Sub-Comm.(M.M.I.A.)

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FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

TO: TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION.

DATE: 16TH JANUARY, 1945.

REF: AFSC/R/313/4/ORG.

LEAVE TO SARDINIA - ITALIAN AIR FORCE PERSONNEL.

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With reference to M.M.I.A. letter 9/17 dated 13th January, 1945, amending their letter of same reference dated 30th December, on the above subject. It is understood that of the sea passage accommodation for 50 personnel mentioned in paragraph 9(c), 5 (five) are to be allocated to Italian Air Force personnel. (28)

2. Before passing any instructions on this subject to Italian Air Ministry, it would be appreciated if confirmation may be given on the following points:

(a) That Army permit for this voyage, shown at appendix "A" of M.M.I.A. letter may be used by Italian Air Force personnel, with Italian Air Ministry stamp, and stamp of this Sub-Commission in the place of Italian War Ministry and M.M.I.A. stamps respectively.

(b) That the UFFICIO IMBARCHI SBARCHI will be instructed that such permits are to be accepted (see paragraph 9(j) of M.M.I.A. letter.)

(c) That this Sub-Commission be also informed of dates of sailings in order to co-ordinate I.A.F. arrangements.

sel also (83)

J.G. WHITE, F/LT,
for AIR VICE-MARSHAL,
AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.

Copy:
M.M.I.A. for information.

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APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/62/S/Tn.3 19 January 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments on the "Abbazia"

TO : G-5 Section (2)
AFHQ

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed 28 Dec. 44
Torre Annunziata berthed 1 Jan. 45

Cork	81	tons
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Talc	53,5	
Fibre	5	
Sinthetic Coffee	3	
Zinc Oxide	2	
Fertilizers	508	
EFI	40	
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Passengers	274	

Torre Annunziata sailed 9 Jan. 45
Cagliari berthed 11 Jan. 45

Shoes, soap, clothing	14,5	tons
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Cotton, borax	2,88	
Newsprint	7,60	
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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 489081 Ext.534.
Our Ref: AC/37/61/S/Tn.3

17 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Army Leave Personnel

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A. Rome.

1. Reference your AQ/17 dated 13 January 1945 addressed to Ministry of War.

2. The Leave Pass (Appendix A) gives name of ship and date of sailing to all going on leave which does not conform to present security regulations.

3. The Pass should only state:-

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(b) Date and time at which he should report.

4. The Embarkation Officer of the Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi is responsible for making all embarkation arrangements to embark the men on the ABBAZIA or other vessel nominated to do the ferry.

5. Subject to normal conditions the embarkation port on the mainland will be Torre Annunziata, in Sardinia Cagliari.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

Merritt W. Col. 1086

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR

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for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/58/Tn/S

15 January 1945

SUBJECT : Naples / Cagliari Ferry

TO : Capt. Smith
Tn. Sub-Commission
AC Southern Region - Naples

Attached is bid 72/45 for the above service, 7 tons Safety Blasting Fuse.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref : AC/37/55/Tn/S 13 January 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia-Italy Ferry.

TO : Navy S/C

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1. Attached is :
(a) A copy of a report from the Transportation Officer Sardinia Region on the first sailing of the Sardinia Italy ferry,
(b) A copy of a letter written to A.F.H.Q.

2. As the delay appears largely due to poor berthing arrangements at the Naples group of ports, it is felt that this is a matter to be taken up thru the Navy S/C with the Naval authorities concerned as well as with AFHQ.

for MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

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APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref: AC/37/55/Tn/S 13th January 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia-Italy Ferry.

TO : G-4 (Mov & Trn) AFHQ

1. Attached is a copy of a report on the first sailing of the Abbazia from Cagliari to Naples. This report was made by the Sardinia Region Transportation Officer, who sailed on this voyage.

2. From the report it will be seen that the ship anchored off Naples at 0800 hours on 1 Jan 45, but that considerable delay occurred in diverting the ship to Torre Annunziata, disembarkation of the passengers did not take place till p.m. 2 Jan.45.

3. It is appreciated that this was the first voyage of these Ferry Services, but much of the delay was apparently avoidable and it is requested that steps be taken to prevent a recurrence.

4. The apparent lack of organization will be taken up with the local authorities concerned, by the Tn S/C, but it is felt that some direction from higher authority would be of assistance.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Navy S/C
Shipping S/C
HQ, AC Southern Region
HQ, AC Sardinia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
APO 394

R/1413 9 January 1945

SUBJECT: Ferry Service - SARDINIA - NAPLES - SS. ABBAZIA.

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

1. As you know the steamship ABBAZIA has recently been put on the ferry service between Sardinia and Naples. As I was once Regional Commissioner of Sardinia and am now Regional Commissioner for the South, I was naturally interested in the working of this ferry service, linking together these two parts of Italy which I have had much concern with. It is only to be expected that the first voyages of such a new enterprise should disclose matters for improvement. I think, however, that you may be interested to read the attached report. It was produced for me by Captain NEWBY, Transportation Officer, Sardinia, who travelled over on the vessel. I should explain that Captain NEWBY with the second officer of the ship called at Regional Headquarters on 1 January 1945 and that on my instructions, and incidentally in my own car, he went down to Torre Annunziata with Major Stockman and Captain Smith of this office to meet the vessel there. Captain NEWBY's report was substantially confirmed by Lt. Blandon, RASC officer, mentioned in the report, when he subsequently travelled to Reggio with my party on 3 January. One of the most important points which arises is, that passengers travelling by this ship should be warned that the journey may take several days and that they will have to provide adequate rations. It is, however, pertinent to point out that on the basis of the present Italian rationing system, it is very difficult for an Italian civilian to accumulate rations.

J. K. DUNLOP,
Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

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TO : Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region

SUBJECT: Ferry Service - SARDINIA - NAPLES-SS. ABBAZIA.

You requested me to furnish you with a copy of my report to Regional Commissioner Sardinia on the situation in respect f the "docking" of the above mentioned ship. I think it is necessary that I make a special report direct to you immediately. I am trying to be as brief as possible.

1. Vessel left Cagliari 30 Dec. 44 2 Days late (weather). One meal was provided for the passengers at Cagliari by Italian Navy.

2. Arrived Naples at 0800 hrs 1 Jan. 45 on Scheduled Running Time 36 hours.

3. Approach of ship signalled to Mainland 0730 hrs.

4. 0800 hours dropped Anchor. Necessary Flag signals Hoisted.

5. 1000 hrs visited by Naval Petrol Vessel in charge of WREN OFFICER. She asked speed of ship. She was asked to inform Navy that "ABBAZIA" was carrying passengers and it was very urgent they be landed quickly. Captain was instructed to Signal NAVY HOUSE. This was done at about 1030 hrs. Signal was accepted by NAVY HOUSE.

6. 1200 hours. Passengers was getting very restless because of not being landed. Further signal sent to NAVY HOUSE stating no food for 270 passengers.

7. 1215 hrs. Captain of ship decided to send 2nd officer ashore to try and get authority to bring the ship in. Asked Captain Newby to accompany him.

8. 1330 hours arrived NAVAL CONTROL Ship. They knew nothing about ABBAZIA.

9. Proxeeded to Office of N. C. S. O. Eventually found. WREN OFFICER who said that they had been informed that the ABBAZIA had docked at TORRE ANNUNZIATA but that it was found to be a mistake. She said ABBAZIA had to go to TORRE ANNUNZIATA. She was asked could not this information have been passed to the ABBAZIA in view of the Signals. Said signals had not been received. Yet in the very next office on the desk of a Ministry of War Transport Representative was the Signal sent at 1200 hrs. (See Para 6).

10. 1730 hours. I arrived at TORRE ANNUNZIATA accompanied by

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10. 1730 hours. I arrived at TORRE ANNUUNZIATA accompanied by Major STOCKMAN and Capt. SMITH, found ship had arrived but would not dock that night. In consulation with the above mentioned officers it was decided that something must be done to provide food. After about 4 hours telephony etc. 270 Dock Labourers Scale Rations were obtained and transported to ship. Feeding of the passengers was completed by 0030 hrs 2 Jan. 45. I would like to bring to you notice of the excellent work performed by Major Stockman (Your Headquarters) Lieut. Blandon (A R. A. S. C. Officer a passenger on the ship reporting to No. 3 District) Major Ludlow Hewitt (Duty Officer 56 area) and Signor

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Siringo (Ministry of War Transport Agent at the PORT).
We were informed that Ship would dock at 0800 hrs 2 Jan 45.

11. 1000 hours 2 Jan. 44 the Italian PORT Commandant CAPT. MARZOVILLA boorded the ABBAZIA. Informed Captain that the ship would dock about 1100 hours at 1045 hours there was a further demonstration by the women both to the Captain of the Ship and myself.

12. 1100 hours a British Field Security Officer boorded the ship and informed Captain that it would not dock that day but it was hoped to get a barge to discharge the passengers. This eventually arrived and after 4 journes the disembarking was completed by 1700 hours. Again Signor Siringo has shown a great deal of fore thought by the provision of a large number of HORSE-DRAWN vehicles to get the passengers away. I left the ship with the last load and arrived in Naples about 1830 hours too late to report to you personally/

13. I was informed that if an EMPTY Liberty Ship inthe Dock had beeb moved about 20 yards further along the Quay the ABBAZIA could have docked but that in spite of an explanation of the circumstances to the B. N. L. O. for that Port he would not sanction it and even left orders that two other ship should dock before the ABBAZIA, so that it would be unlikely to dock before Thursday or Friday.

14. Capt. Smith has informed me that he has taken steps which he thinks will prevent a recurrance of the situation.

I have the honor
to be
Your obedient servant

(signed)

JOHN H. NEWBY, Captain

Regional Transportation Officer
SARDEGNA REGION

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section
c/o Southern Region.

10 Jan 45

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SUBJECT :- First Voyage S.S."ABBAZIA"

TO :- Director,
Tn Sub-Comm,
H.Q. Allied Commission.,

Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region,
Allied Commission.

1. On January 1st 1945 the S.S. "ABBAZIA" arrived in the Gulf of Naples, two days later than the scheduled time, having been delayed by bad weather, and was ordered to proceed to TORRE ANNUNZIATA and to discharge passengers and cargoes As all the berths were occupied by ships with military cargoes and a Liberty ship with A.C. grain, the "ABBAZIA" had to lay off the port until the morning of 3rd January.

2. When the ship arrived off the port, the Regional Commissioner was informed that she carried 274 passengers, who were without food. Immediate steps were taken to purchase food and deliver it aboard, on the evening of the 1st. Next day 2nd January, the passengers were taken ashore by tender, were examined by the local Dogana and security departments, and proceeded on their journeys, transport having been arranged for those who required it.

3. The cargo, totalling 760 tons consisted of 509 tons of magnesium sulphate, 80 tons cork, 40 tons E.F.I. goods, 60 tons Talc, 68 tons hides, and 3 tons coffee. Discharging commenced on Jan 3rd,No 3 berth at TORRE ANNUNZIATA having been released. (Note. There is always an acute shortage of berths in Naples and the Gulf ports. It is now expected that No 3 berth at TORRE ANNUNZIATA will be left clear for the "ABBAZIA")

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4. On the 4th January the weather became worse, and

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torrential rain day and night made loading and discharging, except at rare intervals, impossible, without seriously damaging the cargo.

5. It was decided to embark passengers on 6th January at TORRE ANNUNZIATA and this was duly carried out, transport having been arranged from Naples. The number of passengers was restricted to about 240, in order that they could be more comfortably accommodated and it was stipulated that each passenger should embark with five days rations. (Note. Improvements to the accommodation are being taken in hand immediately, so that it is hoped very soon to have sleeping berths for 250 passengers and suitable separate lavatory arrangements)

6. Short intervals during the rain permitted the completion of the discharging of the inward cargo and of the loading of as much as possible of the outward cargo, and the hatches were finally closed at mid-day on Sunday, January 7th.

7. Meantime arrangements had been made to have the ship bunkered and fresh water put on board at Naples. As the bunkering is a slow process, the ship being a bad trimmer, another day was occupied before she was finally ready to sail for CAGLIARI at noon on the 8th January. Permission to sail was not given by the Naval authorities until a.m. on the 9th.

8. The outward cargo consisted of:-

14.5	tons	of shoes, soap, clothing
7.25	"	" school books
7.00	"	" shoes, blankets, stockings
2.88	"	" cotton, borax, lamp wick
7.60	"	" Newsprint
176.3	"	" Sugar.

The C.I.P. Tank lorry weighing 4½ tons could not be loaded by the ship's derricks, the maximum capacity of which is 2 tons, and will have to be lifted by floating crane on a future voyage. No lift beyond the capacity of the ship's derricks is permitted, until the Port Commandant has a guarantee that there are facilities for unloading it at the port of discharge. I am informed that such facilities exist at CAGLIARI and have asked for written confirmation.

F. H. SMITH, Capt, R.E., Tn Sub-Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section,
APO 394.
c/o Southern Region.

Tn/C/111 6 Jan 45.

SUBJECT:- S.S. "ABAZZIA".

TO :- Shipping Section,
Tn Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. A copy of the above named ship's Manifest containing particulars of cargo discharged at the port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA from CAGLIARI is enclosed herewith for information.

F. H. SMITH,
Capt,R.E.,
Tn Sub-Com.

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Numero d'ordine delle Polizia	Marche e Numeri	Numero dei colli	Qualita dei colli	Qualità delle Merci	Nome E dei Caricatori	Cog dei Ri
1	R.A.F.	254	balle	sughero lavorato	Testa per è Rosati	Lorens
2	A.B.C.	100	"	" grezzo	" " " Senio	o
3		265	"	Talco-Crine-Bianco Zinco	Frano Bozzo	
4	P G	113	"	sughero lavorato	Testa pre Gino	se s
5		1575		Talco	fecs Bozzo	De Cr
6		46	"	Sughero in suolette	Gramignano E	ordin
7	G.M.div	421	"	" grezzo e lavorato	RO Olivari	"
8	T.H.1/363	363	"	Pelli ovine	Gina Buonanno	"
9	Div	42	"	" "	Raff Marra	"
10	"	145	"	" "	Amedeo Vegone	sè
11	G S	363	"	Sughero grezzo lavorato	G G Sotgiu	ordin
12	P G	26	"	Pelli ovine	Giov.Pisano	5
13	R G	75	"	" "	Buonanno	"
14	l'unico	134	x	Surrogato caffè	L'Unico	"
15	N D	36	balle	Sughero lavorato e turaccioli	Nevio Dell'Arta	"
16		19362	x	Solfato magnesio	Conti Vecchi	Conti
	E F E	996	colli	Viveri	C A	C A

Copy of Manifest of
S.S. "ABAZZIA"

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ro	Qualita dei i colli	Qualità delle Merci	Nome E	Cognome	PESO
			dei Caricatori	dei Ricevitori	
	balle	sughero lavorato	Testa per è Rosati	Lorenzo Boccardo	10000
	"	" grezzo	" " " Senio	ordine	7500
	"	Talco-Crine-Bianco Zinco	Franc Bozzo		15500
	"	sughero lavorato	Testa pre Gino	se stesso	7310
		Talco	fscs Bozzo	De Croce Emanuele	44935
5	"	Sughero in sagolette	Gramignano E	ordine	4000
6	"	" grezzo e lavorato	RO Olivari	"	28980
21	"	Pelli ovine	Gina Buonanno	"	41000
363	"	" "	Raff Marra	"	3900
42	"	" "	Amedeo Vegone	sè stesso	10500
145	"	Sughero grezzo lavorato	G G Sotgiu	ordine	20000
363	"	Pelli ovine	Giov.Pisano	"	2758
26	"	" "	Buonanno	"	9000
75	"	" "	L'Unico	"	3000
134	x	Surrogato caffè	Nevio Dell'Arta	"	2500
36	balle	Sughero lavorato e turaccioli	Conti Vecchi	Conti Vecchi	508539
9362	x	Solfato magnesio	C A	C A	40000
996	colli	Viveri			Quintali 760072

Copy of Manifest of
S.S. "ABAZZIA"

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIE D COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref / AC/37/51/Tn/S 12 Jenaury 1945

SUBJECT : Tramportation of Skins and cork.

TO : Signor Boccardo Lorenzo
presso Testa Via Roma 11 Cagliari

We inform you that at the present we cannot grant your request of transportation of skins and cork from CAGLIARI to NAPLES.

Besides, it is necessary to observe the Procedure fixed in the AC Shipping Memorandum N° 2 which you may get at the local Camera di Commercio.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Enclosure : 2 bids in triplicate.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/51/Tn/S 12 Gennaio 1945

SUBJECT : Trasporto di pelli e di sughero

TO : Signor Boccardo Lorenzo
Presso "Agenzia Testa"
Via Roma 11 Cagliari

Vi informiamo che presentemente non può essere dato corso alla Vostra richiesta di trasporto di pelli ovine e caprine (20 Tonnellate) e di sughero lavorato (20 Tonn.) da CAGLIARI a NAPOLI.

Per ogni altra richiesta è necessario attenersi alle precise disposizioni contenute nel "Memorandum di Spedizione N° 2 " di cui potrete prendere visione presso la Camera di Commercio locale.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Direttore

Allegati : 2 Richieste in triplice copia.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref : AC/37/49/Tn/S

9 January 1945

SUBJECT : Cagliari/Naples Berry.

TO : AC Sardinia Region.

Attached is bid No.80 50 ton. block Tale.
Please implement on the above service.

MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

2 January 1945

A.C. SHIPPING MEMORANDUM No.3

Amendment No.1, dated 1 Jan. 1945

1. Para 1: after "from Cagliari" add:- "under control of the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi".

2. Delete para 2.

3. Substitute new para 9 as follows:- "

"The actual operation of the service will be managed by the "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company and their agents, under the control of CO-GE-NA. The "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issuance of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freights, passage monies, etc., and account therefore to CO-GE-NA."

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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Textiles "
Mining "
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U.N.R.R.A.
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Terni
Frosinone
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L'Aquila
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Confederazioni delle Camere di Commercio:-

Toscana	Region
Abruzzi-Marche	"
Lazio-Umbria	"
Southern	"
Sicilia	"
Sardegna	"

Comandante di Porto:-
  Napoli
  Cagliari

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ALCOM SARDINIA REGION

SCHOONER CONTROL

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SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD ABBAZIA EXPECTED SAIL NAPLES AM ~~SIX~~ SEVEN JAN CARRYING THE

FOLLOWING PD

PAREN TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG TO MEDBO

SCHOONER CONTROL NAPLES FROM LCON PAREN

TWO FIVE ZERO TONS SUGAR CMA FOUR ZERO TONS NEWSPRINT TWO TWO ZERO

PASSENGERS PD

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

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MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING BOARD,
A.F.H.Q., C.M.F.

To:- Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C., Rome.

From:-Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board.

Date:-23rd December, 1944

Subject:- Regular Passenger/Cargo Service Cagliari to Naples.

1. At a Meeting of the Board held on 22nd December it was decided to allocate the Italian Steamship "ABBAZIA" to the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi to institute a regular passenger and cargo service between Cagliari (Sardinia) and Naples.

2. The actual operation of the service will be managed by the "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company and their agents under the control of CO.GE.NA.

3. The "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issuance of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freights, passage monies etc. and account therefor to CO.GE.NA.

4. Priorities for passages or freight bookings will be governed by the Allied Commission. Priorities will be as follows:-

Priority No.1.	Passengers.	Allied Service Personnel and Officials.
	Cargo.	Allied Services Cargo.
Priority No.2.	Passengers.	Italian Service Personnel and Officials.
	Cargo.	Italian Service Cargo.
Priority No.3.	Passengers.	All other Italian personnel.
	Cargo.	Italian Civil Cargo.

5. The Board requested that A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.3 of 15th December 1944 should be amended to meet the requirements of the representatives of the Combined Shipping Adjustment Board as set out above.

6. A copy of this communication has been sent to the Director, Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi for information.

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Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

4 January. 1945.

AC/14080/11/PS

SUBJECT : Movement of Italian Military Personnel on Leave.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attention Major Maclure)

1. Reference recent conversation Major Maclure and Major W.C. Ballance.

2. Pending a decision on this matter by AFHQ., it is hereby confirmed that Italian military Personnel proceeding on leave to Sardinia will not be required to be in possession of AMG Movement of civilians passes in addition to the Italian military passes issued by the Ministry of War, providing the military passes are endorsed by MMIA Liaison Officers.

Wm C. Ballance Maj

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
for Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Copy : Land Forces Sub-Commission
(Attention Capt. Selby).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 489081 Ex.534
Our Ref: AC/37/42/Tn/S

5 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Army - Leave to Sardinia.

TO : Capt.Smith
Tn.Sub-Comm. Southern Region.

Below is extract of letter received from M.M.I.A.

Para 2.5 Personnel who are granted leave to Sardinia from the Mainland, and vice versa, will arrive at the Port of embarkation in possession of a Ministry of War stamped pass showing the dates of sailing for both outward and return trips. They will report to the Italian Embarkation Staffs who will ensure that they are permitted to sail on the dates stated.

Para 3.
(b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

(c) Italian Military personnel on leave will not be required to be in possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, providing Ministry of War pass endorsed by M.M.I.A. Liaison Officers. "

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478701
Our Ref: AC/37/41/Tn/S

4 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Service Personnel per SS.ABAZZIA

TO : Southern Region

50 places are reserved on each voyage of the SS.Abazzia for Italian Service Personnel on leave to and from Sardinia. They travel under the auspices of the M.M.I.A. and do not pay any fare.

It has however been reported that approx.70 other Italian personnel wishing to go on leave to Sardinia, applied to Headquarters, Southern Region, for permits to travel on which they were prepared to pay the normal rate.

It is pointed out for the information and action of all concerned that no such personnel must be permitted to travel, as the 50 places allocated are all that can be afforded owing to the small size of the ship and the number of people waiting to travel.

A directive to this effect is being issued by M.M.I.A.

The Delegazione Trasporti in Naples will be responsible to the Prefettura for arrangements for the 50 personnel entitled to travel.

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MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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/ Initials 1667-CA

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Sardinia Region
" " Land Forces Sub-Commission

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ALCOK SARDINIA REGION FOR CHAYTON

ACTION: ALCON FOR LEGG

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

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Your signal 8716 of 24 December subject cheese. 35 tons cheese already loaded schooner SANTANDREA leaving today 28 December for CIVITAVECCHIA.

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Action - Food SC (2)
Info - Chief Commissioner
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2 JAN 1945

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Subject:- Italian Army - Leave to SARDINIA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/17

30 Dec 44.

Transportation Sub Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

Ref. A.C. Shipping Memorandum N°3 dated 15 Dec/44 and Alcom Signal 8596 of 22 Dec/44.

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1. It is proposed that the allocation of the 50 permits per trip on the ABBAZIA, which have been authorised for Italian Military Personnel on leave, shall be controlled by the Ministry of War.

2. Personnel who are granted leave to Sardinia from the Mainland, and vice versa, will arrive at the Port of embarkation in possession of a Ministry of War stamped pass showing the dates of sailing for both outward and return trips. They will report to the Italian Embarkation Staffs who will ensure that they are permitted to sail on the dates stated.

3. It is requested that you will please confirm that:

a) the instructions contained in para 6 of your above quoted Memorandum do not apply to Italian Military Personnel on leave.

b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

c) Italian Military personnel on leave will not be required to be a possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, Paid for MMIA personnel travelling MMIA leave trains.

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4. It is also requested that you will please advise this H.Q. of future dates of sailing from time to time, as far in advance as possible.

CLAYTON.P. KERR, Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/36/Tn/S

3 January 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Army - Leave to Sardinia

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission

Reference your letter Q/17 dated 30 Dec 44 it is confirmed that :-

a) the instructions contained in para 6 of AC Shipping Memorandum No. 3 do not apply to Italian Military Personnel on leave.

b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

c) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to be in possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, providing the Ministry of War pass is endorsed by an M.M.I.A. liaison officer.

Future sailing dates will be notified to you as soon as possible.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/35/Tn/S

3 January 1945

SUBJECT : Ferry Service - SS Abbazia

TO : HQ Sardinia Region

see also (101)
see also (117)

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1. Receipt of your Tptn/1605 dated 26 Dec 44. Contents of paras 2, 3 and 4 are noted. It is agreed that you should render monthly a list of Commodities, with weights, that are ready to be shipped. On receipt of the list, this HQ will determine the priorities for loading on the "Abbazia".

2. In view of the above it will be unnecessary to use the form S B 2; the procedure will be reduced to :-

a) Rendering by you to this HQ of lists of Commodities as outlined above.
b) Allocation of loading priorities by this HQ.
c) Notification of these priorities to you by this HQ.

for Ambrose Clement
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : HQ Southern Region

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

26th December 1944.

Reference : Tptn/1605

Subject : Ferry Service - SARDINIA - MAINLAND

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission.(2)
Commerce Sub-Commission. (1) Transportation Sub-Commissioner (1)
Industry Sub-Commission. (1)

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1. Reference your Signal 8510 dated 30th December 1944 on the Subject of SS ABBAZIA. Enclosed, please find copy of your Signal 8510 and our Signals 186 and 239.

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2. The list of commodities to be shipped during December 1944 was submitted to this Headquarters by the High Commissioner for SARDINIA. We were informed in all good faith that the commodities in question were in various warehouses in CAGLIARI. When the time came for the commodities to be loaded, it was found that in some cases this was not so and that only a much smaller weight was actually in CAGLIARI. Unless a check of all the small warehouses in CAGLIARI are personally checked by an Allied Official, it will be impossible to ascertain the actual weight.

3. It should be pointed out that the Warehouses in CAGLIARI suffered very badly from bombardment. The few intact ones were occupied by the American Army and they have only just been de-requisitioned. The filling of these warehouses will take some time as, now that the Garrison has left, the Railway service has been curtailed. Motor Transport is scarce and the Donkey Carts had to be the chief form of transportation.

4. Now that it is known to the Traders of SARDINIA that the ferry service is in operation and now that the few intact warehouses have been de-requisitioned, commodities will come into CAGLIARI in sufficient weight to more than meet the tonnage to be shipped on the SS ABBAZIA but it will be impossible to give you in advance an accurate weight of the commodities to be shipped.

5. It is suggested that a list of commodities with the approximate weights that are ready to be shipped is rendered by this Headquarters every month. On perusal of this list, Headquarters, Allied Commission determine the Priorities and that the loading of the SS ABBAZIA is made according to your Priorities.

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6. By the time the forms SBs are filled in by the local Traders sent to the High Commissioner's Office, screened by Allied Commission, Sardinia Region, sent to ROME Headquarters, Allied Commission for approval and a reply

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6. By the time the forms SBs are filled in by the local Traders sent to the High Commissioner's Office, screened by Allied Commission, Sardinia Region, sent to ROME Headquarters, Allied Commission for approval and a reply received by this Headquarters in SARDINIA, the SS ABBAZIA will have probably made two trips. Until the Warehouses in CAGLIARI are filled, we suggest that SB2 should not be used for SS ABBAZIA but allocation of commodities made from Headquarters, ROME as suggested in PARA 5 of this letter.

For the Regional Commissioner,

HEADQUARTERS 2 JAN 1945

J.R.B. Turner.

J.R.B. TURNER.
Captain.
Regional Commerce Officer.

JRBT/ajs.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

Priority

From : Alcom

To : Alcom Sardinia Region : AFHQ cite FHGDM FHGEG: MOVWIT; Pembase: Pensouth: Alcom Southern Region

Ref Nr : 8510 20 Dec

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1. Subject is loading SS ABBAZIA

Reference your 186 dated 5 Dec and 239 dated 15 Dec

Your bids for Dec must be shipped in following priority :

(1) Fibre, Willow, empty drums

(2) Cork 400 tons, Kelite 400 Tons, skins, Sunthetic coffee, Woollen garments

(3) Balance of cork, balance of kelite

(4) Magnesium Sulphate, soda Sulphate, zinc Oxide, talc, colouring earth.

2. Empty drums not to be loaded in this ship if they recently contained Octane. Bulk commodities will not be loaded. Assure Kalite is bagged.

3. Ensure cargo plans made out and normal COGENA documentations carried out.

4. Allocation of commodities will be nominated by this Headquarters.

Recd. 23 DEC

OUTGOING MESSAGE

To : Alcom 5 Dec

From: Alcom Sardinia Region

Ref Nr. 186

CONFIDENTIAL PD
REFERENCE YOUR 7356 DATED 30 NOV PD SHIPPING BIDS FROM CAGLIARI TO NAPLES FOR MONTH OF DEC WILL BE APPROX 3332 TONS AS FOLLOWS CLN SKINS 80.6 TONS PD CORK 920 TONS PD FIBRE 20 TONS PD COLOURING EARTH 259 TONS PD WOOLLEN ARTICLES 30 TONS PD TALC 216 TONS PD ZINC OXIDE 80 TONS PD MAGNESIUM SULPHATE 605 TONS PD SODA SULPHATE 25 TONS PD WILLOWS 70 TONS PD SYNTHETIC COFFEE ONE TON PD FERTILISERS KALITE 1000 TONS PD EMPTY DRUMS 25 TONS PD DETAILS TO FOLLOW PD THIS WEIGHT DOES NOT INCLUDE SALT FOR SALT MONOPOLY PD APPROX 3000 TONS WILL BE SHIPPED DURING DEC

J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

To : Alcom 15 DEC

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J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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15 DEC

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To : Alcom
From : Alcom Sardinia Region
Ref Nr. 239

SUBJECT IS SHIPPING BIDS PD SS ABBAZIA WILL COMMENCE A BI-MONTHLY SERVICE BETWEEN NAPLES AND CAGLIARI AT THE END OF DECEMBER PD SHIPPING BIDS TOTALLING 3332 TONS WERE SUBMITTED IN OUR SIGNAL 186 DATED 5 DEC PD SB2 ARE BEING SENT PD AS SS ABBZIA CAN LOAD UP TO 1000 TONS ON EACH TRIP MAY ALLOCATION OF COMMODITIES BE DETERMINED BY THIS HQ AND SB2 RENDERED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL SHIPPING SPACE

J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/33/Tn/S

3 January 1945

SUBJECT : Passenger/cargo Service Cagliari to Naples

TO : Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board
A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference your letter dated 23 December, A.C. Shipping Memorandum No. 3 will be amended as suggested.

2. Copies of the original Memorandum were sent to the Member of the Shipping Sub-Commission, who at the time, made no comment.

3. It was subsequently learnt, through G-4 (Mov. & Tn.) AFHQ that certain amendments might be necessary. On receipt of this information a representative of the Transportation Sub-Commission took up the possibility of revision with the Shipping Sub-Commission. The Shipping Sub-Commission contacted a member of MWT, at AFHQ, and this Sub-Commission was informed, following inquiries, that no amendments would be necessary.

4. It is requested that in future, when meetings are held at which points particularly affecting A.C. are to be discussed, this Sub-Commission be informed, so that they may have the opportunity of sending a representative.

All also (70)

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION ALCOM SARDINIA REGION

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PARA ONE FP PLEASE FORWARD SECRET REPORT ON HOSEING FIRST VOYAGE

AMBASIA FP

PARE TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FROM ALCOM PARIS

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

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Subject: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Military

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/17

22 Dec 44.

Tn Sub Commission, A.C.

Reference CR/4336/G-1(BR) of 5 Dec and 9 Dec 44.

1. Certain difficulty has arisen in planning the movement of the tps to the port for embarkation on S.S. ABRAZZIA.

2. The Italian War Ministry is faced with the problem of moving men from all over Italy and Sicily to Naples with no knowledge if they will be shipped or, when they do get to Sardinia, if they will be shipped back to the Mainland.

This will cause congestion at the ports and the absence of men from duty for extended periods.

3. It is therefore requested that, always subject to the requirements operational moves of Allied tps, a firm allotment of places on the ABRAZZIA may be made to the Italian Military Authorities. As the capacity of the ABRAZZIA is some 260, it is suggested that the allotment be 60 as a start and subject to review when the system has worked for a period.

F J Noakes.

F. J. NOAKES, Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

FJN/wk

Copies to: AFHQ for G-3 ORG
AFHQ for G-5
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478701
Our Ref: AC/37/27/Tn/S

26 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia -Italian Service Personnel

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission
M.M.I.A.

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Reference your AQ/17 dated 22 December 1944, a firm allotment of 50 places has been made on the Abbazia for Italian Service personnel as per our signal 8596 of 22 Dec.'44.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
C/o Southern Region

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

December, 20th. 1944

Reference : Tn/C/10

SUBJECT : CAGLIARI TO NAPLES BIDS.

I enclose bids received to date, with which you will no doubt deal.
They are:-

Ref.	From	To	Goods	Tonnage
Cal.2	Cagliari	Naples	Wooden boxes in pieces.	30
Cal.3	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins400/500 tons	100 tons each 15 days
Cal.4	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins	150 tons
Cal.6	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins	20 "
Cal.7	-"-	-"-	Worked Cork	20 "

In addition there is the bid you sent, Cagliari to S.Stefano 150 tons Salt per month.

Captain.
Tn.Sub Commission
Southern Region

Bids Submitted.
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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION ALCOM SARDINIA REGION RPT ALCOM SARDINIA
REGION FOR ALTO COMMISSARIO FOR INFO PREFETTURA NAPLES FOR INFO
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PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS ARRANGEMENTS FD

PARENT TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION FD ALCOM SARDINIA REGION RPT ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FOR ALTO COMMISSARIO TO PREFETTURA NAPLES FROM ALCOM PARENT

IT HAS BEEN AGREED ALLOCATE FIVE ZERO PERMITS PER TRIP TO ITALIAN SERVICE PERSONNEL ON LEAVE FD THIS FIGURE SUBJECT ALTERATION IN FUTURE BUT WILL REMAIN FIVE ZERO UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FD ARRANGE ACCORDINGLY WITH ALTO COMMISSARIO CAGLIARI AND PREFETTURA NAPLES FD

COPY TO M.M.I.A.

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NICHOLAS FIORENTINO
CPT. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

18 December 1944.

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/8/1044/Tn/S

SUBJECT: Bids

TO : Capt.Smith
Transportation Sub-Commission
c/o Southern Region

Attached are bids for your attention.

It is not known whether the ABBAZIA can take the tank lorry on her own derricks. If the ABBAZIA can take it, please return the bid to this HQ., and we will submit to G - 4 (Mov & Tn).

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Enclosures: Bids

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/19/Tn/S

22 December 1944

SUBJECT : Bids Cagliari to Naples
for SS ABBAZIA

TO : AC - Sardinia Region.

Enclosed are the following bids for shipment from Cagliari to Naples.

	Goods	Tonnage
1 ------	Wooden boxes in pieces.	30 tons
2 ------	Raw Skins 400/500 tons	100 tons each 15 days
3 ------	Raw Skins	150 tons
4 ------	Raw Skins	20 tons
5 ------	Worked Cork	20 tons

If you approve of them for export please stamp in the usual way and return to this office. Shipment should be made on the ABBAZIA on priorities issued by this HQ. The bid 1 above has been on hand some time and should be shipped promptly.

For easy reference in future please arrange to number your bids serially with your own reference.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Capt. Smith
Southern Region.

Enclosure : Bids

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ALCOM SARDINIA REGION APHQ CITY PHOEN PHOEG FOR INFO TO MOVWIT

TO PENBASE TO PENBASE SOUTH TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

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SECRET FD

PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS LOADINGS TO SUGAR SUGAR AEBALIA FD

TAKEN TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO APHQ CITY PHOEN PHOEG TO MOVWIT TO

PENBASE TO PENBASE SOUTH TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION FOR SMITH ABLE

CHARLIE TN REP FROM ALCOM PAREN 3/p/sec (?)

REFERENCE YOUR ONE EIGHT SIX DATED FIVE DEC AND TWO THREE NINE DATED

ONE FIVE DEC NOTTO ALL FD YOUR NOS FOR DEC MUST BE SHIPPED IN FOLLOWING

PRIORITY COLON ONE CMA FIBRE CMA WILLOW OR EMPTY DRUMS FD TWO CMA

CORK FOUR ZERO ZERO TONS CMA KELITE FOUR ZERO ZERO TONS CMA SKINS

SYNTHETIC COFFEE CMA WOOLLEN GARMENTS FD THREE CMA BALANCE OF CORK CMA

BALANCE OF KALITE FD FOUR CMA MAGNESIUM SULPHATE CMA SODA SULPHATE

CMA ZINC OXIDE CMA TALC CMA COLOURING EARTH FD

PARA TWO FD EMPTY DRUMS NOT TO BE LOADED IN THEIR SHIP ~~EXCEPT~~ EXCEPT

IF THEY RECENTLY CONTAINED OCTANE FD HULK COMMODITIES WILL NOT

BE LOADED FD ASSUME KALITE IS BAGGED FD

PARA THREE FD ENSURE CARGO PLANS MADE OUT AND NORMAL CORRECT DOCUMENTATION

CARRIED OUT FD 1052

PARA FOUR FD ALLOCATION OF COMMODITIES WILL BE NOMINATED BY THIS HEAD-

QUARTERS FD

COPY TO MEB BRLL SHIPPING SUB COMM

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CWO. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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AFHQ CITE FHGEC FROM ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FOR INFO

FBS NAPLES PEN SOUTH MOVEIT

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CONFIDENTIAL FD

PARA ONE FD REFERENCE ABLE CHARLIE SHIPPING MEMORANDUM (15) NUMBER THREE REQUEST PRIORITY DISCHARGE AND LOADING AT NAPLES GIVEN TO SUGAR SUGAR ABBAZZIA ALLOCATED SARDINIA NAPLES FERRY FD

PAREN TO AFHQ CITE FHGEC SENDS TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO FBS NAPLES TO PEN SOUTH TO MOVEIT FROM ALCOM PAREN

PARA TWO FD ALCOM SARDINIA WILL ARRANGE PRIORITY AT CAGLIARI FD

PARA THREE FD IF PRIORITY NOT GIVEN ABBAZZIA WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN SCHEDULE FD

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Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/3/52/Tn/S

18 December 1944

SUBJECT: CAGLIARI - NAPLES Ferry
A.C. Shipping Memo No.3.

TO : G - 4 (Mov & Tn)

In order that the SS/ABBAZIA can run to schedule, it is essential that this vessel should be given priority of discharge and loading at both Cagliari and Naples.

It is requested that the necessary facilities be made available.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to:Regional Commissioner,
Sardinia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

15 December '44.

A.C. SHIPPING MEMORANDUM No.3.

1. A regular Ferry Service from Cagliari (Sardinia) to Naples is to be initiated, starting on 28 December 1944 from Cagliari.

2. The SS/ABBAZIA has been selected for this service, and will do two round trips per month. Her capacity will be 250 personnel and 1000 tons cargo.

3. The following is the January programme:-

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Arrive	8 Jan.	Depart	6 Jan.
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Depart	27 Jan.	Arrive	29 Jan.

4. The personnel accomodation will not be comfortable, as it will be necessary to put some people in a tween deck, there being cabin accomodation for 30 only. These personnel will have to provide their own bedding, and food must also be put on board.

There are no bunks in the tween decks and passengers must travel "hard". Women and children should not be carried in tween deck accomodation.

5. Personnel priorities, prices of tickets and cargo rates are as follows:-

Priority Number One. - Reserved for Allied Service Personnel and Officials.
Priority Number Two. - Italian Service Personnel.
Priority Number Three.- All other Italian personnel

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Priorities Nos.two and three will be assigned by the Alto Commissario in Cagliari, for Sardinia and by the Prefettura in Naples, for the Mainland. Applications for permits under Priorities numbers two and three should be made to any Prefettura, who will forward them to the Authorities in Cagliari and Naples respectively.

The Italian Government will arrange for the division into Sub-Priorities of all personnel coming under Priority Number Three.

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7. The Regional Commissioners, Southern Region and Sardinia Region will keep in reserve ten Priority one tickets for cabins for the use of Allied Service Personnel and officials, until two days before sailing date; if not taken up, they will be made available to personnel with Priorities Numbers two or three as the situation warrants.

8. No more than 250 tickets will be sold for any particular voyage, as that is the total number of passengers which can be accomodated.

9. To ensure that the number of tickets sold does not exceed the number of passengers which can be transported, the Alto Commissario in Cagliari and the Prefettura in Naples will set up a ticket selling unit at the Ports of Cagliari and Naples respectively.

Tickets will only be sold on the day of sailing, and only to passengers with the proper Priority Permit.

10. Regional Commissioners Southern Region and Sardinia Region, are requested to contact the Prefettura in Naples and the Alto Commissario in Sardinia respectively, to ensure the smooth running of the above; and in addition, to keep in close touch with their respective Port Commandants so that the latter are able to make full arrangements for embarkation and disembarkation.

11. The fares will be:-
2000 lire for Cabin passengers.
1000 lire for Deck passengers.

12. The tariff for Cargo will be:-
3614 lire per ton for first class cargo.
2730 lire per ton for second class cargo.
2025 lire per ton for third class cargo.
1283 lire per ton for fourth class cargo.

These figures are subject to alteration at any time without prior notice.

13. The bidding procedure for cargo will be the one set out in A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.2.

By Command of Rear-Admiral Stone

MERRITT H. TAYLOR

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9 A. No person under priority No. 3 shall be sold a ticket unless in possession of a "Movement of Civilians" pass issued by A.C.G or the Questori. This applies also to Italian Service personnel on leave.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

15 December 1944

MEMORANDUM MARITTIMO No.3
della
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

1. A partire dal 28 Dicembre 1944 sarà iniziato da Cagliari un regolare servizio di traghetto Cagliari (Sardegna)- Napoli.

2. Il piroscafo "ABBAZIA" è stato prescelto per questo servizio, e farà due viaggi di andata e ritorno al mese. Esso potrà portare 250 persone e 1000 tonnellate di carico.

3. Il programma di gennaio è il seguente:

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Arrivo	22 Gennaio	Partenza	20 Gennaio
Partenza	27 Gennaio	Arrivo	29 Gennaio

4. La sistemazione dei passeggeri non sarà comoda dato che sarà necessario mettere della gente in un corridoio, essendo i posti cabina solamente trenta. Queste persone dovranno provvedere alla loro biancheria da letto e a portare a bordo anche il cibo. Non ci sono cuccette nei corridoi e i passeggeri dovranno viaggiare senza comodità. Le donne e i bambini non dovranno essere sistemati nei corridoi.

5. L'ordine di precedenza delle persone, i prezzi dei biglietti e le tariffe per i carichi sono i seguenti:

Precedenza numero uno : riservato pel personale e pei funzionari del servizio alleato.

Precedenza numero due : riservato pel personale del servizio Italiano.

Precedenza numero tre : riservato per tutte le altre persone Italiane.

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della
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Precedenza numero tre : riservato per tutte le altre persone Italiane.

6. La precedenza numero uno sarà assegnata dal Commissario Regionale per la Sardegna e dal Commissario Regionale della Regione Sud. Le richieste dovranno essere fatte o all'uno o all'altro dei due Commissari Regionali. Le precedenze numero due e tre saranno assegnate in Cagliari dall'Alto Commissario per la Sardegna, e per il Continente dalla Prefettura di Napoli. Le richieste per le precedenze numero due e tre potranno essere fatte a qualsiasi prefettura, che le inoltrerà rispettivamente alle autorità di Cagliari e di Napoli. Il Governo Italiano provvederà a dividere in sotto precedenze tutte le persone ricadenti sotto la precedenza numero tre.

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7. I Commissari Regionali della Sardegna e della Regione Sud si riserveranno dieci biglietti cabina della precedenze numero uno, per il personale e i funzionari del servizio Alleato, fino a due giorni prima della data di partenza; se essi non verranno ritirati saranno resi disponibili ai passeggeri della categoria numero due o tre a seconda di come suggerrirà la situazione.

8. Per ogni viaggio non saranno venduti più di 250 biglietti, dato che questo è il numero totale di passeggeri che può essere sistemato.

9. Per assicurarsi che il numero di biglietti venduti non superi il numero di passeggeri che può essere trasportato, l'Alto Commissario in Cagliari e la Prefettura di Napoli istituiranno un unico posto per la vendita dei biglietti rispettivamente nei porti di Cagliari e Napoli. I biglietti saranno venduti solo il giorno della partenza e unicamente ai passeggeri muniti di regolare permesso di precedenza.

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11. I prezzi dei biglietti saranno di:

L. 2000 per i passeggeri di cabina

L. 1000 per i passeggeri di ponte

12. Le tariffe per i carichi saranno di:

L. 3614 per tonnellata per un carico di Ia classe
L. 2730 per tonnellata per un carico di 2a classe
L. 2025 per tonnellata per un carico di 3a classe
L. 1283 per tonnellata per un carico di 4a classe

Queste cifre possono essere soggette ai cambiamenti in qualsiasi momento e senza preavviso.

13. Le modalità per le richieste per carichi saranno quelle emanate nel Memorandum di Spedizione No.2 della Commissione Alleata.

Per ordine del Rear Admiral Stone

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Per ordine del Rear Admiral Stone

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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13 December 1944

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/3/74/Tn/S

SUBJECT: SS/ABBAZIA

TO : Capt.Smith
Southern Region
Naples

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A new shipping memorandum No.3 is in course of preparation giving full details as to personnel priorities and embarkation arrangements.

The bidding procedure for cargo will remain the same as that set out in A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.2, all bids for movement from Naples being sent to you from this Headquarters.

/ Merritt H. Taylor major RA
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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G-4(Mov & Tn) 2/273/GDM

27 Nov 44

Tel: FREEDOM 229

Reply to Sardinia 11

Subject : Communications - SARDINIA to ITALY.

To : HQ Allied Commission,
ROME.

1. A regular service from SARDINIA to NAPLES is to be initiated starting approx 25 Dec.

2. The SS 'ABRAZZIA' has been selected for this ferry service and will do two round trips per month. Her capacity will be about 250 personnel and 1,000 tons cargo.

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(H.D. PHILIP) Lt Col
for Brigadier,
DQMG (Mov & Tn).

Copy to : G-3 (Foreign-)
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29 NOV 1944
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
E C O N O M I C S E C T I O N

Tele : 473704

1December 1944

Our ref.: AC/3/57/Tn/S

SUBJECT : Communication with the Mainland from Sardinia

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

Reference your letters HQ/2/4 dated 13 October and 21 November.

AFHQ inform us that a regular service from Sardinia to Naples is to be initiated starting approx 25 Dec.

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Our ref.: AC/3/87/Tn/3

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TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

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By Command of Commodore Stone

A.G. ANTOLINI
Acting Head
Economic Section

Copy to : COS
Economic Section
Priority of Mov. Div.
Ministry of Comms.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/3/56/Tn/S

29 November 1944

MEMO to Col.D.E. Adams

SUBJECT: Passenger Service between SARDINIA & MAINLAND

Reference Economic Section's Memo of 27 November.

The following are copies of the relevant correspondence on this subject:-

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TO : G - 4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ
SUBJECT: Weekly passenger service Sardinia to Naples and Sicily.

1. Attached is copy of letter received from Regional Commissioner Sardinia.

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3. The Regional Commissioner has been signalled requesting numbers of civilians it is estimated require to travel on essential business and this information will be passed to you in due course.

A.G. ANTOLINI
Acting Chief
Economic Section

2) Signal 5866 of 2 November.

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PASSENGER SERVICE SARDINIA NAPLES AND SICILY REF AC
CLAST TN SLANT SUGAR SLANT THREE DATED TWO EIGHT

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3) Here also is a copy of the signal we received from AFHQ (Nov. & Tn.) F.58801 of 27 November stating that SS/ABAZZIA has been nominated for this passenger service.

TO: ALCOM
FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED
F 58801
NOV 271119

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No.36/27
PRIORITY
CITE FHGDM

CONFIDENTIAL
SS ABAZZIA IS BEING ALLOCATED APPROX 25 DECEMBER TO RUN A FERRY SERVICE SARDINIA TO NAPLES TWICE PER MONTH. CRUISERS WILL PROBABLY BE WITHDRAWN AFTER LIST 7 PERSONNEL ARE COMPLETE BUT CAN BE APPLIED FOR THROUGH AFHQ TO ACCOMPLISH SPECIAL LIFTS.AGREED.

Further details on this vessel are awaited from AFHQ.

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J/Comdr.E.FEARNSIDES
Shipping, Ports &
Warehousing Division
Tn.Sub.Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

21 November 1944

REFERENCE: HQ/2141

SUBJECT: Communications with the Mainland - Sea.

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission (Office of the Chief of Staff)

1. I am again writing about the very important question of communications between SARDINIA and the Mainland, which was raised in my letter HQ/2141 of 13th October.

2. The Italian cruiser service is practically finished and my H.Q. is receiving numerous requests for sea passage to the Mainland. You recently asked by signal for the number of essential business personnel who should be permitted to travel on essential business needs. We replied to the effect that 500 per month from CAGLIARI to NAPLES and 100 a month from CAGLIARI to PALERMO was the minimum number.

3. In addition to the essential business men, we have numerous Italian Government Officials and a few Allied Service personnel, an example being the members of the Demographic Survey who have completed their work in the selected Communes but cannot get back to ROME as there have, as yet, been no means of transport.

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6. Apart from miners there is generally a seasonal movement of charcoal burners over to SARDINIA for the winter months. It is understood that charcoal is required on the Mainland, and wood is available in SARDINIA. A regular service would provide facilities for some men to come across.

7. I consider, therefore, that the institution of a regular weekly steamer service between CAGLIARI and NAPLES and a schooner service between CAGLIARI and SICILY is now an urgent necessity.

J. A. C. Pennycuick 1040

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J. A. C. PENNYCUICK,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478704
Our Ref: ACC/3/48/Tn/3

25 November 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly passenger service,
Sardinia to Naples and Sicily

TO : G - 4 (Mov. & Tn.) AFHQ.

Further to our letter ACC.Tn/3/3 dated 26 October and our signal 8566 of the 7th Nov. and signal 7002 of the 24th Nov. requesting that a regular passenger service be established between Sardinia and the mainland of Italy and Sicily.

Attached is a further letter of the subject from Regional Commissioner of Sardinia.

It is requested that this matter be given urgent consideration.

D.S. ADAMS
Colonel, C.E.
Director, Tn.Sub.Comm.

Copy to: G - 5 AFHQ.

Enclosure:1
(copy of letter from
Reg.Comm.Sardinia)

Answered at 1039

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AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG

ALCOM FROM ADAMS

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PARA ONE PD FURTHER OUR LETTER ABLE CHARLIE CHARLIE TN SLANT SUGAR SLANT THREE OF TWO EIGHT OCTOBER AND SIGNAL FIVE EIGHT SIX SIX OF TWO NOVEMBER PD

PAREN TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG FROM ALCOM PAREN

REQUEST CRUISER BE RETAINED FOR PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN SARDINIA AND MAINLAND TILL A REPLACEMENT IS PROVIDED PD

Mr Lambarge to phone AFHQ with the reply.
Mr Taylor did he get answer for Priority of Name of vessel for this passenger service

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

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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23 November 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Passenger Service - Sardinia to Naples and Sicily.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

In reference to paragraph 3 of your ACC/TN/S/3 undated, may the information as to actual numbers required to travel be furnished at this time.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
24 NOV 1944
A.C.

F. J. SLAUGHTER
Captain, A.G.D.

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Info given it (4)

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Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

28 October 1944

Tele. 478704

Our Ref. : ACC TM/S/3

TO : G - 4 (Mov. & Tn.)
AFHQ

SUBJECT : Weekly passenger service Sardinia to Naples and Sicily.

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3. The Regional Commissioner has been signalled requesting numbers of civilians it is estimated require to travel on essential business and this information will be passed to you in due course.

A.G. ANTOLINI
Acting Chief
Economic Section

ENCLOSURE 1 :

Copy of letter of Regional Commissioner Sardinia

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

13 October 1944

SUBJECT : Communications with the Mainland - Sea.

REFERENCE: HQ/2141

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Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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Answered at (31)

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NICHOLAS RICHBINO
CWO. U.S.A.
ASST. ADJUTANT

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

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TO: Headquarters, A.C.C. (Office of the Chief of Staff)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

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APPENDIX TO REPORT LETTER HQ/2141 of 13th OCTOBER 1944.

Total Monthly Tonnage Shipped from SARDINIA to the MAINLAND and SICILY.

MONTH	FOR CIVILIAN	FOR ARMED FORCES
February	27 Tons	-
March	-	-
April	120 Tons	-
May	1150 "	170 Tons
June	600 "	200 "
July	168 "	300 "
August	1416 "	240 "
September	-	2100 "
Total	3481 Tons	3010 Tons

To be Shipped

October	2994 Tons	2500 Tons
November	4880 "	1000 "

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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11 MAR 45

Ref : AC/610/119/Tn 3

SUBJECT: Shipments into Sardinia

TO : Directors Agriculture S/C
Air Force S/C
Commerce S/C
Communications S/C
Food S/C
Industry S/C
Land Forces S/C
Navy S/C
Public Health S/C
Public Works and Utilities S/C
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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy for information to:-
Regional Commissioner Sardinia Region
AFHQ - G-4 (Mov & Tn)
G-5 (Economics & Supply Div)
Shipping Sub Commission
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ALCOM SARDINIA

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PARA ONE PD. YOUR HEADQUARTERS SLANT TWO ONE FOUR ONE DATED

TWO EIGHT FEBRUARY REFERS PD

PAREN TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FIVE ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

ALLOCATION LOADING PRIORITIES UNNECESSARY PD SEE OUR ONE FIVE

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NICHOLAS PICARDINO
C-O. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

28 FEB 45

Ref: HQ/2141

Subject: Ferry Service - S/S ABBAZIA

To: Transportation S/Commission, HQ.AC,
(Att: Major Mc Clure).

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1. With reference to your letter AC/37/35/Tn-3 dated 3.1/45, appended is a list of Commodities, with weights, which will probably be ready to be shipped per S/S ABBAZIA during the month of March 1945:

Commodity	Weight in Tons
Cork	411
Skins	124
Fibre	130
Willows	10
Magnesium Sulphate	10
Various Minerals	50
Miscellaneous	4
Total	739 Tons

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2. Please notify this Headquarters your allocation of loading priorities.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Kochieff, Lt.

B.KOCHIEFF LIEUT.
COMM/IND. & EXPORT OFFICER

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

27 FEB 45

Ref: UPTN/1602/6
Subject: Forms S.B.2 - SS ABBAZIA
To: HQ.AC, Transportation S/Commission,
(Att: Mr. Merritt H. Taylor).

1. Your letter AC/12/A/Tn-3, dated 22.2/45 refers.
2. U.S.A. Truck N°60195567 was consigned per S/S ABBAZIA to "Army Air Force HQ. 58th AACS Gr.-APO 550-U.S.Army" Naples, as per attached further copy of the relevent Form S.B.2.

For the Regional Commissioner

B. Kochleff Lt -

B.KOCHLEFF LIEUT.
COMM/IND. & EXPORT OFFICER

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/610/113/Tn.3 2 March 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments into Sardinia.

TO : ~~Directors~~, Agriculture Sub-Commission
Air Forces " "
Commerce " "
Communications " "
Food " "
Industry " "
Land Forces " "
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Public Health " "
Public Works and Utilities Sub-Comm.
Chief, U.N.R.R.A., Italian Mission
Regional Commissioner, Southern Region,
for Regional Transportation Officer

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By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Regional Commissioner Sardinia Region
AFHQ G-4 (Mov & Tn)
G-5 (Economics and Supply Div.)
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What is Nation re Cargo for Sardinia. RE Fm Rome, Sept. 5. 21/Feb (112)

ALLIED COMMISSION

SOUTHERN REGION

21 February, 1945

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Mr. Charles C. Crooks
Lt.Col. M.J. Sieff,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

From: Stanley P. France

Subject: Sardinia Ferry - S.S. "ABBAZIA"

See (110) Torre Annunziata

For the four voyages made by the S.S. "ABBAZIA" from the mainland to Sardinia, the following loadings were made:

Voyage No.	1	-	210 Tons
"	" 2	-	110 "
"	" 3	-	289 "
"	" 4	-	179 "
Total		-	788 Tons

The present permissible loading capacity is approximately 1,000 tons per voyage. Additional cargo can be loaded at Torre Annunziata with no delay to sailings. The heretofore average loadings are less than 20% of capacity.

Is it possible to obtain more cargo destined for Sardinia? Are there any schooners, or other vessels operating between this area and Sardinia? If so, could not their cargoes be diverted to the "ABBAZIA", thus releasing them for other duties?

Stanley P. France

Stanley P. France.

cc: Capt. Smith,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission,
Southern Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AC/610/111/Tn.3

28 February 1945

SUBJECT : Bid.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region, Naples
(Attn. Tn. Officer, for Capt. Smith)

Attached is Bid No. 353/45 Torre Annunziata-Cagliari, various materials.

Please arrange shipment on the Abbazia.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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MS/6.01

21 February 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister.

In reply to your letter No. 165/XXXVI of 9th February 1945, forwarding copy of a letter from the Sassari Section of the Liberal Party.

A ferry service for carrying passengers and cargo was established between Cagliari and Torre Annunziata at the end of December and has since been functioning satisfactorily. The vessel allocated to this service is the S. S. Abbazia.

Cagliari was chosen as the Sardinian terminal of this service, because there was a large demand for movement of personnel and stores from this area to the mainland and the port was organised to handle the traffic. Olbia was not considered suitable because draft limitations restrict the type of ship which can be used, and because the bulk of the traffic at Olbia for which top priority has been given by the Italian authorities is livestock. In the meantime a regular livestock ferry has also been established between Cagliari and Civitavecchia.

It is desired to transfer the Sardinian terminal of this livestock ferry to Olbia as soon as a suitable ship can be found and adapted for carrying livestock. The present vessels allocated to this service are too large to enter Olbia. They are normally engaged on military traffic, and have been loaned by the shipping authorities pending the finding of a vessel of suitable draft.

Arrangements have been made in Sardinia whereby train services from and to the northern provinces connect with the presently established personnel and cargo ferry at Cagliari. Availability of suitable shipping is such that it is unlikely that an additional passenger ship can be allocated for the Olbia - Civitavecchia ferry at present though this matter will be taken up and pursued with the

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Mediterranean Shipping Board. I would mention that the latter body have approved in the establishment of a passenger ferry service from Palermo to the Mainland but so far have not found it possible to allocate a suitable vessel for this traffic due to higher priority military needs for this type of shipping.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

cc: Transp S/C
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION APWcC/lr
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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AC/610/110/Tn.3 23 February 1945

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Commerce " "
Communications " "
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MTDO Schooms Central Naples

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Air Forces — " "
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3. As a contribution to this end the Tirrenia Navigation Co., who are operating the service, should be asked to put suitable notices in the local press, advertising sailings and encouraging local forwarding agents to collect parcels for shipment. This should be taken up by the Regional Transportation Officer, Southern Region.

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4. In conclusion, it is hoped that all concerned will cooperate to ensure that full advantage is taken of the ferry service, in order to make the best use of the shipping tonnage available and to help re-establish the trade between the Mainland and Sardinia.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy for information to:

Regional Commissioner Sardinia Region
AFHQ. - G-4 (Mov & Tn)
G-5 (Economics and Supply Div.)

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Mainland and Sardinia.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

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Director

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IN AND OUT YEARLY TRAFFIC FROM SARDINIA, DIVIDED AMONG THE VARIOUS POSTAL LINES SUBSIDIZED BY STATE - 1938

Line 3 - Civitavecchia - Olbia - Daily:

In t.	13363	passengers	113803	no. of cattle	60
Out t.	13109	"	107488	" " "	3226
t.	26472	"	221291	" " "	3286
per day t.	73	"	606	" " "	9

Line 5 - Naples, Cagliari - Weekly:

In t.	12011	passengers	3279		
Out t.	4825	"	2854	no. of cattle	139
t.	16836	"	6133	" " "	139
per week t.	323	"	118	" " "	2

Line 6 - Genoa - Sardinia - Sicily - each fortnight:

In t.	11179	passengers	1775	no. of cattle	540
Out t.	10288	"	1089	" " "	2052
t.	21467	"	2864	" " "	2592
per week t.	412	"	55	" " "	50

Line 7 - Genoa - Sardinia - Sicily - each fortnight:

In t.	18242	passengers	2068	no. of cattle	465
Out t.	5381	"	1395	" " "	2797
t.	23623	"	3463	" " "	3262
per week	454	"	66	" " "	62

Line 8 - Genoa - Leghorn - P. Torres - weekly:

In t.	15627	passengers	720	no. of cattle	3
Out t.	5282	"	930	" " "	984
t.	20909	"	1650	" " "	987
per week t.	402	"	31	" " "	19

Line 10 - Genoa - Sardinia - Genoa - weekly:

In t.	11201	passenger	236		
Out t.	4515	"	197	no. of cattle	2
t.	15716	"	433	" " "	2
per week t.	302	"	8	" " "	0

Line 15 - Genoa - Civitavecchia - Cagliari - Sicily - weekly:

In t.	14987	passenger	2372	no. of cattle	1125
Out t.	9681	"	3200	" " "	187
t.	24668	"	5572	" " "	114
per week t.	474	"	107	" " "	2

Total of all the lines after having deducted the traffic with Sardinian ports:

Out t.	53081	passengers	117153	no. of cattle	9309
In t.	96610	"	124253	" " "	1073
t.	149691	"	241406	" " "	10382

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RIPARTITO TRA LE VARIE LINEE POSTALI SOVVENZIONATE

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Linea 3 : Civitavecchia - Olbia - giornaliera

entrata	t.	13363	pass.	113803	capi bestiame		60
uscita	"	13109	"	107488	"	"	3226
	t.	26472	"	221291	"	"	3286
al giorno	"	73	"	606	"	"	9

Linea 5 : Napoli - Cagliari - settimanale

entrata	t.	12011	pass.	3279		
uscita	"	4825	"	2854	cb.	139
	t.	16836	"	6133	"	139
alla settimana	"	323	"	118	"	2

Linea 6 : Genova - Sardegna - Sicilia - quindicinale

entrata	t.	11179	pass.	1775	cb.	540
uscita	"	10288	"	1089	"	2052
	t.	21467	"	2864	"	2592
alla settimana	"	412	"	55	"	50

Linea 7 : Genova S Sardegna - Sicilia - quindicinale

entrata	t.	18242	pass.	2068	cb.	465
	"	5381	"	1395	"	2797
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Linea 8 : Genova - Livorno - P.Torres -settimanale

entrata :	t.	15627	pass. 720	cb.	3
uscita	"	5282	" 930	"	984
	t.	20909	" 1650	"	987
alla settimana	"	402	" 31	"	19

Linea 10 : Genova - Sardegna - Genova - settimanale

entrata :	t.	11201	pass. 236		
uscita	"	4515	" 197	cb.	2
	t.	15716	" 433	"	2
alla settimana	"	302	" 8	"	0

Linea 15 : Genova - Civitavecchia - Cagliari - Sicilia settimanale.

entrata :	t.	14987	pass. 2372	cb.	5
uscita	"	9681	" 3200	"	109
	T.	24668	" 5572	"	114
alla settimana		474	" 107	"	2

Totale di tutte le linee fatta deduzione del traffico tra porti Sardi.

uscita :	t.	53081	pass. 117153	cb.9309
entrata:	"	96610	" 124253	" 1073
	t.	149691	" 241406	10382

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entrata :	t.	15627	pass.	[illegible]	
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alla settimana	"	402	"	31	" 19

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref: AC/610/106/Tn.3. 15 February 1945

SUBJECT: Olbia Civitavecchia ferry.

TO : Economic Section.

1. Reference your minute 176.

2. Attached, (Flag A), is a copy of a letter written to the Regional Commissioner Sardinia ie the establishment of a ferry service Olbia - Civitavecchia and his reply (Flag B.)

3. Attached, (Flag C.) is suggested draft reply to Premier Bonomi.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ref: AC/610/90/Tn.3

1 February 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia/mainland Ferry.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

1. Reference Italian theatre H.Q. P.W.B. unit 12 Summary n. 51 of 18th January 1945.

Will you please let us have your views on the extract below at 2.

"2. N. 26.An Order of the Day of the Provincial Committee of Liberation of Sassari.

The Committee of Liberation of Sassari, noting with pleasure the re-activation of maritime comunications between Sardinia and the Continent, voted an order of the day in which they state that geographic, economic and transport reasons make it necessary that the service be opened up between Civitavecchia and Olbia. This is the shortest and most convenient route both for passengers and freight as the biggest export centres at present are near the port of Olbia.

It is considered that the same reasons which in the past determined the starting of a line of communications Olbia-Civitavecchia apply even more strongly in the present circumstances.

The Committee, therefore, asks the High Commissioner to intervene with the Italian and Allied authorities, in order to have the service take up its former itinerary.

(N.B. The port from which sailings were recommended is Cagliari)."

Bu Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

11th February 1945.

Reference: Tptn/1605/1

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Subject : Sardinia - Mainland Ferry.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. With reference to your AC/610/90/TN3 of 1st February 1945 and the Order of the Day of the Provincial Committee of Liberation of SASSARI, the points of this question are given briefly below.

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6. In due course when the whole of ITALY is liberated and handed back to the Italian Government the re-establishment of the OLBIA-CIVITAVECCHIA service may become justified. At present, and in the immediate "war" future, I can see no justification for such a proposition being further considered.

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner.

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Dear,

Reference your letter of 9th February.

A ferry service for carrying passengers and cargo was established between Cagliari and Torre Annunziata at the end of December and has since been functioning satisfactorily. The vessel allocated to this service is the S.S. Abbazia.

Cagliari was chosen as the Sardinian terminal of this service, because there was a large demand for movement of personnel and stores from this area to the mainland and the port was organised to handle the traffic. Olbia was not considered suitable because draft limitations restrict the type of ship which can be used and because the bulk of the traffic ex Olbia for which top priority has been given by the Italian authorities is livestock. In the meantime a regular livestock ferry has also been established between Cagliari and Civitavecchia.

It is desired to transfer the Sardinian terminal of this livestock ferry to Olbia as soon as a suitable ship can be found and adapted for carrying livestock. The present vessels allocated to this service are too large to enter Olbia. They are normally engaged on military traffic, and have been loaned by the shipping authorities pending the finding of a vessel of suitable draft.

Arrangements have been made in Sardinia whereby train services from and to the northern provinces to connect with the presently established personnel and cargo ferry at Cagliari. Availability of suitable shipping is such that it is unlikely that an additional passenger ship can be allocated for the

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ITALIAN LIBERAL PARTY
Sassari Section

Provincial Direction

Sassari, 30 December 1944

To H. Ex. the President of the Council
of Ministers
R o m e

The Sassari Provincial section of the Italian Liberal Party fully agreeing with the deliberation of the Sassari Provincial Committee for Liberation, asking for the re-establishment of the communications between Sardinia and the Continent, because of the geografic conditions of the island and the general economic requirements of all Sarde, points out that there are no longer any obstacles to the re-establishment of the Olbia-Civitavecchia line, for in both harbours, the damages caused by the war have already been repaired.

On the other hand, while to unblock the communications with the continent it would be natural to rehabilitate the shortest line, we point out that these communications mostly take place with the Capital, which practically concentrates all commercial and administrative relations, as well as passengers traffic.

Keeping this in mind, we must point out that the Olbia Civitavecchia line is 12) miles long, i.e. 254,) kms while the Cagliar. - Naples one is 267 miles long, i.e. 494,) kms, i.e. twice longer.

To this distance, to reach the Capital, we must add the railroad distance Rome-Civitavecchia which is of 81 kms, while there are 214 kms between Rome and Naples. - The journey by Civitavecchia is only of)12,5 kms, while that through Naples is of 738,) kms., i.e. twice longer, the cost and loss of time being obviously much greater.

As there are no regular Rome-Naples service, people can only rely on very expensive and uncertain means of fortune, which can be obtained neither easily, nor quickly. With such means, people would be compelled to take use of the ordinary road, instead of the railroad,), thus lengthening the distance of another 22 kms., for the Rome Naples distance is of 2)6 kms by road while it is only of 21) kms by railroad. The Civitavecchia-Rome road would shorten the distance, for there are only 71 kms by road, while there are 81 kms by railway. The railway line is already functioning.

We must also stress the fact that the goods which might be exported from the island are for the most part in the Northern area, as cork of which a large quantity is at Olbia, ready to be shipped, while foodstuffs such as

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We must also stress the fact that the goods which might be exported from the island are for the most part in the Northern area, as cork of which a large quantity is at Olbia, ready to be shipped, while foodstuffs such as lambs and cheese are also for the greatest part in the central and Northern part of the island.

It must be remembered that the longer sea distance makes the traffic much slower, and the lack of adequate means would make it easy for the foodtuffs to go bad.

We therefore ask for action to be taken in the interest of the Island and of the Nation, and we decide to communicate the present order of the day to the Allied Authorities, to H. Ex. the High Commissioner, to the President of the Council, to the Ministry of Communications, and to the Commissariat for Alimentation.

For the Provincial Section
S. Manato

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
n. 129/XXXVI

Rome, 9 February 1945

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Dear Admiral,

I take the liberty of drawing your personal attention on the subject mentioned in the enclosed copy of the Bonomi Section of the Liberal Party, about the communications between the Continent and Sardinia.

I shall be most grateful if you can send me an answer on this subject.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

s. I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

11th February 1945

Reference : Tptn/1605/1

Subject : Sardinia - Mainland Ferry.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/610/103/Tn.3

13 February 1945

SUBJECT : Calcium Carbide in drums.

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

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1. Ref. your S/86/4/G.D.M. dated 7 Feb.

2. The shipping order forms were sent to you as the material is unsuitable for shipment on the Abbazia.

3. Can you please arrange shipment on another vessel.

For the Chief Commissioner :

MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

Copy : G-5 Section A.F.H.Q.
Regional Commissioner Southern Region
(attn. Capt.Smith)

A.F.H.Q. Signal FX. 31866 of 22 Feb. sets up "Empire Don" to lift carbide after completion Discharge of coal at Bagnoli.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Subject : Calcium Carbide in Drums

G-4 (Mov & Tn)5/86/4/GDM

To : Allied Commission
Tn Sub Commission
ROME.

7 Feb 45

Tel : FREEDOM 889

1. The attached shipping order forms from Alcom Southern Region for the movement of 612 Drums Calcium Carbide NAPLES to CAGLIARI are forwarded to you for your information and necessary action.

2. This traffic should be loaded to the ABAZZIA, please so inform Alcom Southern Region, and instruct for future.

L. Sweet Capt.

see also (103) G.SWEET, Capt.
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G.(Mov & Tn)

GS/hj.

Copy to : G-5

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ALCOM SARDINIA

1518 10 FEB 45 ROUTINE

IN CLEAR FD.

PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS FEBRUARY CARGO FOR ABBAZIA FD

PAREN TO ALCOM SARDINIA FROM ALCOM SITE ACTPT PAREN

YOUR FOUR NINE FOUR ~~XXXXX~~ OF EIGHT FEB REFERS FD

PARA TWO FD WHERE ESTIMATED TOTAL CARGO IS NOT IN EXCESS OF STEAMERS CAPACITY FOR THE MONTH NO ~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ PRIORITIES WILL BE ALLOCATED FD

COPY TO COMMERCE SUB COMM

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Southern Region

MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. CHARLES C. CROCKS
Lt. Col. M. J. SIEFF

Feb. 8, 1945

SUBJECT : - Sardinia Ferry - S.S. "ABBAZIA"

The captioned vessel was recently berthed at Torre Annunziata for a period of 5 days, 2½ hours, during which ~~period~~ she discharged 243 passengers and 1070 tons freight, also embarked 255 passengers, 289 tons freight and one standard P.U. automobile. X

Freight discharge and loading was completed approximately 18 hours prior to sailing. Additional freight could have been loaded, if available.

The Schooner "Leonardo da Vinci", holding sugar since Jan. 3rd, and the Schooner "Liliana", holding general cargo since Jan. 19th, discharged their cargoes into the "Abbazia", and have departed.

Previous delays in discharging and loading this vessel at Torre Annunziata may be partly attributed to the following factors:

1. Freight and vehicle congestion during peak periods of discharge at No. 2 Berth due to narrow apron of quay. (This condition has been alleviated by temporarily using the adjoining quay space of Magazzini Generali).

2. Previous bad weather conditions and the tendency of the stevedores not to work beyond the day shift. (During the recent discharge and loading, constant pressure was applied on the stevedores and two daily shifts of 10 hours duration each were maintained throughout).

3. Lack of dollies (This item was included in my recent teletyped request to Col. Balfour).

Providing no unforeseen contingencies occur, and that constant pressure is applied on the stevedores, the writer sees no reason why the time schedule of this ferry service should not be maintained at Torre Annunziata.

Stanley P. France

STANLEY P. FRANCE
Transportation Sub-Com.

cc: Capt. Smith
Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Com. (Southern Region)
Naples.

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION SARDINIA REGION FOR INFO

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PARA ONE PD ABBAZIA BALLAST PD

PAREN TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION FOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER FOR SMITH TO SARDINIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER FROM ALCOM PAREN

PARA TWO PD PROVIDED THAT CARGO CARRYING CAPACITY OF ONE ZEROX ZERO ZERO TONS IS NOT AFFECTED ARRANGE SUFFICIENT BALLAST BE PUT ONBOARD TO SATISFY MASTER PD

PARA THREE PD ADVISE POSITION HUGHES INFO TO BALFOUR AT MEIBO MEETING PD

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List of (Bids) Goods received up to the 29 Dec 44 for consignment to Cagliari on the S.S. ABAZZIA.

Commodity	No of Cases	Tons DW	Cubic Ft	Shipper	Receiver	Ref
Newsprint		31		Depot 676, Naples	E & S Cagliari	46/45
				" " "	"	"
Printing Ink		1		" " "	Min' Div Cagliari	46/45
Brattice Cloth	10	1	144	" " "	"	31/45
Welding Electrodes	16	2	30	" " "	"	"
Miners Lamps	43	2	292	" " "	"	"
Paper		1		Agenzia Marittima della Stato, Naples	Ferrovia della Stato Sardinia	
String		65 lbs		"	"	AC/8/97/Tn/3
Shovels	27 No			"	"	
Borax Powder		130 lbs		"	"	
Vegetable Rubber		220 lbs				
Matches in wooden cases		12 tons	1200 cf	Saffa Match Factory, Naples		
Tank Lorry (Maren Lancia Ep')	1	4½ tons	1600 cf	Mtrs 2.10 X 6.35 X 2.60 Com. It Petroli (C.I.P)	(C.I.P) Stabilmento Via S. Gella, Cagliari	
Textile Supplies		12 tons		Depot 1254 Via Bologna, Naples	Elisio Pall, Via Boyle; Cagliari. c/o Gruppo Lamiero Sardo	AC 56 16
Sugar		325 tons		Depot 676, Naples.		AC 560
Shoes		3,000 pairs		Zienda Carboni, Via Roma, 265 Naples. phone 1080		AC 61

To TN Sub Comm' ROME.

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LIST OF BIDS FOR CARRIAGE OF GOODS NAPLES TO CAGLIARI

Bids No.	Material	Pr.	Tons	Date sent to Naples	From	To
21	Ration cards in cases	5	12	7. Dec.	Naples	Cagliari
22	Box ball bearings	4	200 lbs.	7 Dec.	"	"
23	Tanned goat & Sheep skin	6	8	7 Dec.	"	"
25	Tank Lorry	4	5	7 Dec.	"	"
29	Matches in wooden cases	5	12	7 Dec.	"	"
30	Empty sacks	4	5	7 Dec.	"	"
31	Cloth. Weld	3	5	7 Dec.	"	"
46	Newsprint & Printing Ink	4	(4 4) 31 1	23 Dec.	"	"
60	Sugar	1	325	27 Dec.	"	"
61	Shoes	3	3	27 Dec.	"	"

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Say, 500 Lbs Space

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref: AC/610/98/Tn.3.

5 February 1945

SUBJECT : Ferry Service - SS Abbazia.

TO : HQ Sardinia Region

1. Attached is copy of letter addressed to you dated 3 Jan. 1945 which Capt. Turner advises you have not yet received.

MERRITT. H. TAYLOR
Director.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

30th January 1945

Reference :HQ/2141

Subject : S.S. ABBAZIA

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

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1. With reference to final paragraph of this Headquarters 415 of 25th January 1945 I attach for your information a copy of a letter dated 24th January 1945 from the Commander of the "ABBAZIA" to Comando Marina, CAHLIARI, and a copy of the Ships Manifest for the voyages from NAPLES of 6th and 21st of January 1945.

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4. It would seem that further organisation is needed with respect to the sailing of this ship at NAPLES, could the case for more cargo facilities please be represented.

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel. 1116
Regional Commissioner.

JACP/ajs.

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Copy to : Commerce Sub-Commission,
H.Q Allied Commission.

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CARGO MANIFEST OF S/S ABBAZIA

From : NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA)

To : CAGLIARI

Departed on the 21st January 1945

Arrived on the 23rd January 1945

COMMODITY	WEIGHT TONS	CONSIGNOR	CONSIGNEE
Shoes	0,6	Perez Gioacchino	The same
Clothing	0,75	Croce Rosa Italiana	" "
Shoes	0,445	Adamo Ignazio	" "
Books, copy books	5	Dessy Giuseppe	" "
" " "	1,35	" "	" "
Mail, forms	4,088	Ufficio Postale, Naples	Ufficio Postale, CAGLIARI.
Forms, spare parts	1,2	Ferrovie Stato	Ferrovie Stato
Books	1,25	Dessy Giuseppe	the same
Shoes, clothing	3	Carbosarda	Carbosarda
Newsprint	14,32	Southern Region	Sardinia Region
"	23,199	Warehouse 676	" "
Clothing	0,1	Depot 676	Mining Division
Sugar	39,464	Warehouse 676	Consorzio Agrario
Blasting Fuse	4,222	Eng. Depot E 250	Mining Division
Tobacco	16,247	Tobacco Monopoly	the same
Shoes	9,21	Col. Simmons, AGS	" "
1 Car	1,5	Capt. Newby, AC	" "
	125,945		

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CARGO MANIFEST OF S/S ABBAZIA

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From : NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA
To : CAGLIARI

Departed on the 6th January 1945
Arrived on the 11th January 1945

CONSIGNOR CONSIGNEE

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Arrived on the 23rd January 1945

COMMODITY	WEIGHT TONS	CONSIGNOR	CONSIGNEE
Shoes	0,6	Perez Gioacchino	The same
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Shoes, soap, Clothing	14½	Azienda Carbonifera SA	Carbonifera Sarda
Socks, wicks, water bottles	2,882	State Railways	State Railways
Books, Exercise Books	7,25	Dessy Giuseppe	Dessy Giuseppe
Shoes, Blankets, Socks	7	AC for Carabinieri	AC for Carabinieri
Printing Paper	7,6	Depot 1254	AC Sardinia
Sugar	154,2	AC o/w hm 676	Consorzio Agrario Cagliari
Sugar	22,1	"	"
Tons	215,532		

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TRANSLATION

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FROM THE COMMANDER OF THE S/S ABBAZIA

Dated 24 January 1945

SUBJECT : S/S ABBAZIA

TO : Comando Marina, CAGLIARI (for action)
COGENA, Cagliari, (for info)
AC, Cagliari (for info)

The undersigned has insisted and still insists that a minimum of ballast be put on board in order to steady the ship during her crossing CAGLIARI - NAPLES and vice-versa.

If ballast cannot be provided, he suggests that the ship take enough cargo so as to enable her driving motors to function smoothly. Up to now for various reasons not even the minimum of cargo has been reached, and this has been due mostly to the fact that the sailing schedule for passengers has had priority over goods, which during the short staying in the ports cannot betaken care of properly.

During the crossing NAPLES - CAGLIARI of the 21-22-23 the steamer, in spite of her excellent seaworthiness, had a very hard time to break through the heavy sea, on account of her being almost empty. Only 125 tons of merchandise were loaded, while her deadweight is of 4700 tons. Under these conditions the ship, during the heavy sea, had to reduce her speed because her propellor was entirely above water, thus making the sailing of the steamer most difficult.

These difficulties could easily be eliminated by giving the steamer a large cargo thus making the voyages more regular and reducing the crossing to 32 hours.

(Signed) The Commander of SS ABBAZIA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

26 JAN 45

Ref:TFTN/1602/6
Subject:Shipment of Cork and Skins.
To: Transportation SubCommission,HQ.AC,
(Att:Mr.Merritt H.Taylor).

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1. Your letter AC/582/31/Tn.3 dated 21.1/45 refers.
2. As requested,500 qls cork and 500 qls skins mentioned in bid N°119/45 will be shipped per SS "ABBAZIA" et the beginning of February.
3. It is regretted that 500 qls cheese are not available for export.

For the Regional Commissioner

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B.KOCHELEFF LIEUT. 1113
TRADE & INDUSTRY OFFICER

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HQ.AC.(for info).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

30 January 1945

Tel:259
Our Ref: AC/610/92/Tn.3.

SUBJECT: Bid No. 119/45.

TO : Signor Vasa Battista & Ceasau Adone
Aggius (Tempio Pausania)
Sardinia Region

1. Reference your bid for transportation of 500 qls.cork, 500 qls. skins and 500 qls. cheese.

2. Cork and skins will be shipped per S/S ABBAZIA, at the beginning of February.

3. Cheese is not available for export.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region
" " Commerce Sub-Commission HQ. AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394.
Transportation Sub-Commission

JAB/ab:

Ref: AC/610/90/IN3

1 February 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia/Mainland Ferry.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

1. Reference Italian theatre H.Q. P.W.B. unit 12 Summary N°.51 of 18th January 1945.
Will you please let us have your views on the extract below at 2.

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The Committee of Liberation of Sassari, noting with pleasure the re-activation of maritime comunications between Sardinia and the Continent, voted an order of the day in which they state that geographic,economic and transport reasons make it necessary that the service be opened up between Civitavecchia and Olbia.This is the shortest and most convenient route both for passengers and freight as the biggest export centres at present are near the port of Olbia.

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The Committee, therefore, asks the High Commissioner to intervene with the Italian and Allied authorities, in order to have the service take up its former itinerary.

(N.B. The port from which sailings were recommended is Cagliari)."

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone.

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26 JAN 1945
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Subject : Allied Commission Ferry Service SARDINIA - NAPLES.

G-4(Mov & Tn)5/36/9/GDM

20 Jan 45

Tele : FREEDOM 229

1. Service.

The S.S. ABAZZIA plies on Allied Commission account between CAGLIARI and NAPLES (TORRE ANNUNZIATA) completing two round trips each month. On arrival in ITALY, personnel and stores are discharged at TORRE ANNUNZIATA.

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The vessel carries 250 personnel and 1000 tons of stores each voyage.

3. Personnel Accommodation.

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(d) The Italian Government will be responsible for the division into Sub Priorities of all personnel coming under Priority No. Three.

5. Reservation of Accommodation.

The Regional Commissioners Southern Region and SARDINIA Region will keep in reserve ten Priority One tickets for cabin accommodation for the use of Allied Service Personnel and Officials, until two days before sailing date. If not taken up, this accommodation will be made available to personnel with Priorities Nos. Two and Three as the situation warrants.

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6. Operation of the Service.

The actual operation of the service will be undertaken by the "Tirennia" Navigation Company and their agents, under the control of CO-CE-RA. The "Tirennia" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issue of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freight, passage moves etc.

7. Mil. Stores.

Bids for the movement of mil stores will be made in the normal way in accordance with Adm Memo No. 66 of 27 Dec 44. Loading instrs for such mil stores accepted will be sent by AFHQ to MEDBO Schooner Control, NAPLES.

8. The following is the January programme :-

CAGLIARI		TORRE ANNUNZIATA		CAGLIARI		TORRE ANNUNZIATA	
Arr.	5 Feb	Dep.	3 Feb	Arr.	22 March	Dep.	20 March
Dep.	10 Feb	Arr.	12 Feb	Dep.	27 March	Arr.	29 March
Arr.	20 Feb	Dep.	18 Feb	Arr.	6 Apr	Dep.	4 April
Dep.	25 Feb	Arr.	27 Feb	Dep.	11 April	Arr.	13 April
Arr.	7 March	Dep.	5 March	Arr.	21 April	Dep.	19 April
Dep.	12 March	Arr.	14 March	Dep.	26 April	Arr.	28 April

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Operations,
for Chief of Transportation,
U.S. Forces.

G. ACKERLEY, Col.,
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

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Distribution:

C in C Med
PSTO
G-1
G-2 (B)
G-3
G-5
OZE
Q (Maint)
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CG PBS (3)
CC PBC South (3)
HQ [illegible] Southern Region, NAPLES
HQ [illegible] ITAL Region
HQ [illegible]
HQ Allied Commission (3)
Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)
Mov 2
Mov 5

AC Dist

T.N. S/C
D.S.T.E.E.
H.Q. Comd (T.N.O.)

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SOUTHERN REGION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section.

AC/Tn/S/58

23 Jan 45

SUBJECT :- Bids

TO :- Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION.

1. Reference Bid No 83/45 dated 15 Dec 44, referring to the shipment of 25 Barrels of Unrefined Paraffin Wax from Torre Annunziata to Cagliari.

2. As this commodity will have to be brought from Bari to Torre Annunziata before it can be shipped, it is suggested that it be sent by rail, and the Rail Section notified accordingly.

F. H. SMITH,
Capt, R.E,
Tn Sub-Com.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:259 25 January 1945.
Our Ref: AC/610/85/Tn.3.

SUBJECT: Shipment on the "ABBAZIA"

TO : G - 5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the abcve vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed 14 January 1945.
Torre Annunziata berthed. 16 Jan. 45

Material	Tons
Cork	3,300
Synthetic Coffee	5
Talc	38
Talc, Sulphates coloured	11,170
Mail	1,138
Raw W@ol	20,103
Skins	4,100
"	0,555
"	42,394
Talc, Zinc oxyde Sulphate	51,272
Skins	20
Salt	500
Spare parts	0,295
	697,227

232 Passengers

Napoli sailed 21 January 1945
Cagliari berthed. 23 Jan 1945

Material	Tons
Shoes	13,255
Clothes	0,850
Sugar	39,464
Books	7,600
Mail	4,058

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TO : G - 5 Section (2)

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed 14 January 1945.
Torre Annunziata berthed. 16 Jan. 45

Material	Tons
Cork	3,300
Synthetic Coffee	5
Talc	38
Talc, Sulphates coloured	11,170
Mail	1,138
Raw wool	20,103
Skins	4,100
"	0,555
"	42,394
Talc, Zinc oxyde Sulphate	51,272
Skins	20
Salt	500
Spare parts	0,295
	697,227

232 Passengers

Napoli sailed 21 January 1945
Cagliari berthed. 23 Jan 1945

Material	Tons
Shoes	13,255
Clothes	0,850
Sugar	39,464
Books	7,600
Mail	4,088
Print and spare parts	1,200
Printed paper	37,519
Tobacco	16,247
1 car	1,500
Fuses	4,222
	125,945

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232 Passengers

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: G-4 Section
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ALLIED COMMISSION
SOUTHERN REGION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section.

AC/Tn/S/56 23 Jan 45.

SUBJECT :- S.S. "ABAZZIA"

TO :- Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. The above named vessel departed from Torre Annunziata at 1200 hrs Saturday 20 Jan 45, and after bunkering' at Naples sailed for Cagliari at 0925 hrs the following day.

2. Passengers and cargo were as follows:-

Passengers - Civilians 223
A.C. 6
Soldiers escorting)
cargo of shoes) 3
232 Total

Cargo - (particulars attached - 131.545 tons total
A.C. 108.262 tons

F. H. SMITH, 1107
Capt, R.E,
Tn Sub-Com.

Enclosures - 1

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DETTAGLIO DELLE MERCI IMBARCATE SUL PIROSCAFO "ABAZZIA"
partito da Napoli il 21/1/1945

Calzature	Tonn.	13.255
Vestiario	"	0.850
Zucchero	"	39.464
Libri	"	7.600
Posta	"	4.088
Stampati e parti locomotive	"	1.200
Carta stampata	"	37.519
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

19th January 1945

Reference : HQ/2141

Subject : ABBAZIA

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission, Transportation Sub-Com

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As stated in our Signal No. 388 dated 19th January 1945 we are enclosing for your information a copy of letter sent to the High Commissioner for SARDINIA and a copy of his unsatisfactory reply.

For the Regional Commissioner,

J.R.B. TURNER.
Captain.
Regional Commerce Officer.

JRBT/ajs.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA

5 JAN 45

Ref:TPTN/1602

Subject:CCGENA

To: His Excellency the High Commissioner of Sardinia

1. Reference your letter 26741/11 December 29th on the subject of CCGENA, Mr. GOLDSTAUB has visited this office and it is hoped satisfactory work will be carried out in future by CCGENA.

2. The Ministry of Marina letter is noted.

Points which I wish to emphasize are as follows:

Schooners. Permission to sail ships and control of commodities to be shipped is exercised by the Allies in accordance with the war situation.

All details as to the supply of fuel and the actual collection and loading of authorised freight is, however, the responsibility of CCGENA.

Secondly, as regard the ABBAZIA, when it became known that a ship might be available the following tonnage of authorised stores was given as ready for shipment by your office on the 5th of December 1944:

Skins	80,6	tons
Cork	920	"
Fibre	20	"
Colouring Earth	259	"
Woollen Articles	30	"
Talc	216	"
Zinc Oxide	80	"
Magnesium Sulphate	605	"
Soda Sulphate	25	"
Willows	70	"
Synthetic Coffee	1	"
Fertilyzers(KAINITE)	1000	"
Empty Drums	25	"(Temporary export)
	3331	Tons

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Empty Drums	25	"(Temporary export)
	3331	Tons

On the arrival of the vessel only 720 tons of cargo could be shipped as the only stores ready proved to be the following:

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Cork	81 tons
Skins	67½ "
Talc	531 "
Fibre	5 "
Synthetic Coffee	3 "
Zinc Oxide	2 "
Fertilyzers	506 "

For the second trip scheduled for the 13th of January the only authorised goods known to be ready for shipment are as follows:

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Salt	2/500	tons
Kalite	300	"
Cork	1	"
Barite	7½	"
Talc	9½	"
Red Lead	5	"
Cork	0,4	"
Fibre	25	"
Zinc Oxide	2	"
Talc	10	"
Colouring Earth	2	"
Willows	30	"
Cork	8	"
Magnesium Sulphate	20	"
Zinc Oxide	3	"
Talc	35	"

3. It appears that Mr;DEMAGISTRIS,the Head of your Trade & Ind. Division,has difficulty in bringing authorised goods to Cagliari,e.g.

Coloured Earth,Skins,Cork,etc.because the railway and M.T. Services are congested with the transport of non essential goods such as furniture.

I would remind Your Excellency that unless the tonnage on the ABBAZIA is taken up with properly authorised goods it is to be feared that this useful new regular service to the Mainland may be cancelled.

(signed) J.A.C.PENNYCUICK
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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TRANSLATION (806)

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR SARDINIA

Prot: 580/II - 9 JAN 45

TO: AC Cagliari.
COGEMA Cagliari.

SUBJECT/ Exports.

We acknoledge receipt of your letter TPTN/1602 of the 5th inst.

I am obliged to state that the scarcity of transportations in the island has prevented the timely flow of exportable goods to Cagliari.

It must be kept in mind that hides and cork are to be found in the northern part of the island and many producers had applied for export, thinking that they might ship their goods either at OLBIA or ALGHERO, which are the natural ports of northern Sardinia. The port of CAGLIARI in normal times collected exclusively the goods of the mine districts and of the province of CAGLIARI.

To start now, in war time, a regular flow of traffic which was not normal in peace time, is very difficult. The shortage of vehicles is a well known fact. The few trucks available are used for food supplies and other urgent merchandises such as cement, talcum, coal, etc. Transport= ation of furniture is forbidden and I am going to issue new directives for giving priority number one to goods intended for export. We must also consider that the warehouses where the goods are kept, are often located far away from the railroads, and in this case, transportation from the warehouses to the nearest station becomes a serious problem.

We, therefore, wonder if it were not advisable to examine the possibility of restarting the schooner trade from the minor ports of Sardinia, thus solving the difficulties of exports from Cagliari. This would allow us to use the same schooners on the return trip for cargos which are most required in Sardinia, such as sulphur, wine, carbonium sulphate, tannin and so on.

As regard to the cargo of the SS ABBAZIA for the next 13th, there are - besides the goods listed in your letter - the following goods which have already come into Cagliari:

Synthetic Coffee	5	tons
Fibre	11	"
Skins	42	"
"	0,2	"
"	1	"
Wool	20	"

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We think that other goods will arrive before the 13th January. We trust that also for this second voyage of the SS ABBAZIA, we shall be able

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/610/78/Tn.3 22 January 1946

SUBJECT : Italian Service Personnel on leave to and from Sardinia.

TO : Southern Region.

In order to expedite the leave of Italian Military personnel to Sardinia it has been agreed with Land Forces Sub-Commission that for the voyages of SS Abbazia up to and including that leaving Torre Annunziata on 20 April, an additional 50 Italian Military Personnel will be carried, making a total of 100 in all, for each voyage.

Please ensure that arrangements are made accordingly.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Shipping Sub-Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.)
M.G., AC Sardinia Region
G-4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

17th January 1945.

Ref. Aptn/1602.

see also (97)

Subject : SS ABBAZIA.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. I am enclosing a copy of letter which was handed to me by the Captain of the SS ABBAZIA.

2. The arrangement at CAGLIARI for berthing and loading have been satisfactory and on the last stay at CAGLIARI the SS ABBAZIA was able to gain a day, thus making up one of the two days that was lost owing to bad weather when the Service first commenced.

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J.A.C. Pennycuick Colonel

JACP/cjm.

J. A. C. PENNYCUICK.
Colonel.
Regional Commissioner. 1100

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COPY

FROM THE COMMANDER OF S/S ABBAZIA

11 JAN 45

TO: COGENA OF CAGLIARI.

According to the directives received and the routing assigned to the SS ABBAZIA, the first departure from Cagliari ought to have taken place on the 28th of December last. On account of bad weather altough all loading operations were completed on the 28th, the steamer had to wait until the 30th.

Befors sailing, the undersigned, learned from the Agency that the steamer was to land at TORRE ANNUNZIATA, but the intsructions previously received from the Naval Control of Cagliari on the 30th, were that the landing was to take place in Naples. According to these instructions, the steamer arrived in Naples on the morning of January 1st, but the ship instead of entering the port, remained at large waiting orders, which we did our best to hasten, by signalling to Forte dell'Ovo, our arrival and pointing out the urgent need of disemberking the passengers as they were without food. Later, towards one o'clock, having received neither answer nor orders, I sent a launch with an officer to inform the Allied Authorities about our predicament. The situation was growing rapidly worse as the passengers having exausted all their supplies and not understanding this new delay, begun to inveigh against the Captain and rushed into the officer quarters and into the first class quarters. Capt. Newby of the British Army, who was on board, decided to go ashore to report to his superiors about what was going on.

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REMARKS AND PROPOSALS

The port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA does not offer any security during bad weather.The two buoys have been taken away and it is urgent that they be replaced if damage to the steamers is to be avoided.It is also necessary that the lights be replaced at the end of the two dikes.

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The port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA has not available space for the ABBAZIA along the dock,we propose to have her moored by the prow in order to disembark the passengers on the dock and not outside the port.

PERMANENT BALLBAST AND REPAIR WORKS

In order to have the ABBAZIA fit for the service we propose to have her docked for a short while so at to put on her a certain amount of ballast in order to make her seaworthy,and at the same time to start the reconditioning works which had been suggested by the experts of the CCGENA.Such works cannot be accomplished in the intervels between the sailings.

PASSENGERS

They all complain for having to embark and disembark at TORRE ANNUNZIATA.

BUNKERING

With the ship alongside P.L.M.14,bunkering cannot be completed and we shall be obliged to bunker at each trip until a minimum of permanent ballast has not be put on the steamer.

THE COMMANDER OF THE SHIP

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Subject:- Leave - Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/17

21 Jan 45.

H.Q. Transportation
Sub Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

Ref conversation Capt. the Lord Westbury-Maj. McClure.

1. It is understood that accommodation for a further 50 Military Personnel on leave could be made available on the Steamer ABAZZIA for a period of two months.

2. It will be appreciated if you will please arrange for the additional accommodation for 50 personnel to be made available for transportation of leave personnel.

F.J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

SFA/ab

(69) 1697

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Subject : SARDINIA - ITALY FERRY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-4(Mov & Tn)5/86/9/GDM

17 Jan 45

To : HQ, Allied Commission.

17 Jan 45

Tel: Freedom 229

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1. Ref your AC/37/55/Tn/S of 13 Jan.

2. As agreed with your rep., draft circular of 10 Jan has been prepared advising all authorities likely to be concerned with the movement of the "ABAZZIA". This is awaiting concurrence of MWTR.

3. The contents of your letter have been brought to the attention of MWTR.

4. It is suggested that reserve rations be carried on the ship and that the permanent employment of an Allied Commission "conducting officer" be considered.

C.F. RUSSELL, LT-COL.,
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

VK/tgl

Copy to : MWTR.

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Director, Transportation Sub-
Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission
Rome

19 January 1945

Dear Graham,

Thank you very much for your letter of 9 January 1945 which I received on my return to the office.

Every effort will be made to have a Transportation Sub-Commission representative at MEDBO meetings as you suggest.

I appreciate very much your cooperation in strengthening the MEDBO team in Rome, and I am sure that this will lead to very much better cooperation and that really tangible results will be forthcoming.

Yours sincerely,

see also (3034)

Mr. Gibson Graham
Ministry of War Transport
Mediterranean Representative
Navy House, Naples

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Ministry of War Transport,
Mediterranean Representative,
Navy House, Naples.

9th January, 1945.

Dear Taylor,

I am acknowledging your letter AC/37/73/Tn/S of 3rd January on the subject of the regular service between Cagliari and Naples. I agree that the issue of the Shipping Memorandum could have perhaps been of a tidier nature.

With reference to para. 4 of your letter, I am afraid that owing to the very nature of MTDBC it would be difficult to foresee all the occasions on which matters affecting the A.C. would be discussed. I wish to assure you however, that following the practice by which Lt. Col. Glanville attended the meetings of the Board should continue in the person of some other representative.

I appreciate the difficulty caused through shortage of staff and the fact that our respective H.Q. are so far apart, however in view of the fact that I have now strengthened the MTDBC team in Rome, I think our contact should be much better.

Yours sincerely,

/s/

M.H.Taylor, Esq.,
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q., A.C.
A.P.O. 394.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tele : 478701

19 January 1945

Our ref.: AC/37/70/Tn 3

Subject : Sardinia/Mainland Ferry

To : See Distribution

Herewith future sailing programme for the Sardinia/Mainland ferry, at present being run by the S.S."Abbazia".

CAGLIARI		TORRE ANNUNZIATA	
Arr.	5 Feb	Dep.	3 Feb
Dep.	10 Feb	Arr.	12 Feb
Arr.	20 Feb	Dep.	18 Feb
Dep.	25 Feb	Arr.	27 Feb
Arr.	7 March	Dep.	5 March
Dep.	12 March	Arr.	14 March
Arr.	22 March	Dep.	20 March
Dep.	27 March	Arr.	29 March
Arr.	6 April	Dep.	4 April
Dep.	11 April	Arr.	13 April
Arr.	21 April	Dep.	19 April
Dep.	26 April	Arr.	28 April

Subject to alteration without notice.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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MMIR. (MOV L.O.)

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HEADQUARTERS
SARDEGNA REGION ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 397

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17 January 1945

D/O/TPTN/1607.

Dear Col Sec.

I think I told you that whilst in Naples I am staying with the Director of Military Training C.M.F. (Brigadier Kenchengton). Amongst his many responsibilities is the training of the new Italian Army.

H He has just returned from inspecting one of the Divisions who have been in the front line and are now out for a short rest and training.

They have given a good account of themselves but one of the big "MORALE" problems is LEAVE. There are about 150 to 200 Sardinians amongst them, and the Italian Divisional General is very anxious to grant them a short leave if possible.

The allotment of 50 per voyage on the S.S. ABBAZIA to M.M.I.A. is not sufficient to cover this, because the leave will have to be completed in about 6 weeks. Brigadier Kenchengton has already told the G.O.C. M.M.I.A., (Major General Browning) that he was going to mention the matter to me and General Browning was very pleased about it, of course General Browning could approach you direct on the matter, but I feel an offer to make a special allotment from Transportation Sub-Commission would be very much appreciated by him.

Brigadier Kenchington has also explained to me what a good Propaganda and Prestige feature it would be when the men found out that the Allies were taking an interest in their welfare.

The other Italian Divisions have had a lot of desertions through the LEAVE questions. I think I can safely say that the Regional Commissioner for Sardegna (Col. Pennycuick) would welcome any consession we could make in that direction.

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You will remember I told you that many undesirable civilians were getting permission to travel on the "ABBAZIA" so that a cut for say two months of at least 50 an their allotment to make room for Fighting Italian Personnel proceeding on leave. would not hurt them.

Would you give this matter your early consideration and if you can see your way clear to offter to M.M.I.A. a "SPECIAL" allotment for FIGHTING ITALIANS would you make the offer direct to General Browning, so that arrangements could be made for the next voyage.?

Brigadier Kenchington would appreciate notification of any action you might take in the matter, his address is

Brigadier Kenchington
D.M.T., C.M.F.

I know this is not my "pigeon" but I feel I would like to help all concerned so far as I could.

A second matter in respect of the S.S. ABBAZIA, she was again brought down to Naples by the Navy yesterday only to have to return to TORRE - ANUNZIATA and thereby lost about 10 hours. Perhaps you could take it up with the NAVY with a view to her always sailing direct to that port.

May I again thank you for your courtesey to me whilst I was in Rome.

Yours sincerely

John H Kennedy Capt

Regional Transportation Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478701
Our Ref: AC/37/68/Tn.3

18 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Air Force Personnel.

TO : HQ. Southern Region
TO : HQ. Sardinia Region

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1. Enclosed is copy of letter No.AC/37/67/Tn.3 dated 18 January 1945 addressed to Air Forces Sub-Commission.

2. Five out of the fifty places allotted to Italian Service Personnel on leave are to be taken up by Italian Air Force Personnel.

3. With reference to para.1, (a) and (b) of the enclosed letter, please instruct the Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi in Naples (Torre Annunziata) and Cagliari accordingly.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Air Forces Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:478701
Our Ref: AC/37/67/Tn/3

18 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Air Force Personnel

TO : Air Forces Sub-Commission.

1. With reference to your letter AFSC/R/313/4/ORG. dated 16 January 1945.

2. The Army permit shown at Appendix A to MMIA letter Q/17 dated 13 January 1945 has been amended, for security reasons, to state only the following:-

a) Authority to whom the man should report, i.e. Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi at the Port of embarkation.

b) Date and time at which he should report.

It is therefore confirmed that:-

a) The permit in its new form may be used by Italian Air Force Personnel, with Italian Air Ministry's stamp, and stamp of Air Forces Sub-Commission.

b) The Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi has been instructed, through HQ.Southern Region and Sardinia Region, (see copy of letter attached) that such permits are to be accepted.

3. You will be informed as soon as possible of future sailing dates of the ferry.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

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Encl.Letter AC/37/68/Tn.3

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: HQ.ALCOM, Southern Region
HQ.AIOOM, Sardinia Region
Land Forces Sub-Comm.(M.M.I.A.)

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FROM: AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION,
ALLIED COMMISSION, ROME.

TO: TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION.

DATE: 16TH JANUARY, 1945.

REF: AFSC/R/313/4/ORG.

LEAVE TO SARDINIA - ITALIAN AIR FORCE PERSONNEL.

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With reference to M.M.I.A. letter 0/17 dated 13th January, 1945, amending their letter of same reference dated 30th December, on the (38) above subject. It is understood that of the sea passage accommodation for 50 personnel mentioned in paragraph 9(c), 5 (five) are to be allocated to Italian Air Force personnel.

2. Before passing any instructions on this subject to Italian Air Ministry, it would be appreciated if confirmation may be given on the following points:

(a) That Army permit for this voyage, shown at appendix "A" of M.M.I.A. letter may be used by Italian Air Force personnel, with Italian Air Ministry stamp, and stamp of this Sub-Commission in the place of Italian War Ministry and M.M.I.A. stamps respectively.

(b) That the UFFICIO IMBARCHI SBARCHI will be instructed that such permits are to be accepted (see paragraph 9(j) of M.M.I.A. letter.)

(c) That this Sub-Commission be also informed of dates of sailings in order to co-ordinate I.A.F. arrangements.

see also (83)

J.G. WHITE, F/LT,
for AIR VICE-MARSHAL,
AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.

Copy:
M.M.I.A. for information.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/62/S/Tn.3 19 January 1945

SUBJECT : Shipments on the "Abbazia"

TO : G-5 Section (2)
AFHQ

Attached are cargoes carried on the above vessel on the following trips.

Cagliari sailed	28 Dec. 44	
Torre Annunziata berthed	1 Jan. 45	
Cork	81	tons
Skins	67,5	
Talc	53,5	
Fibre	5	
Sinthetic Coffee	3	
Zinc Oxide	2	
Fertilizers	508	
EFI	40	
	761	tons &
Passengers	274	

Torre Annunziata sailed	9 Jan. 45	
Cagliari berthed	11 Jan. 45	
Shoes, soap, clothing	14,5	tons
School books	7,25	
Shoes, Blankets	7,00	
Cotton, borax	2,88	
Newsprint	7,60	
Sugar	176,30	
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Passengers	244	

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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone :

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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone :

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 489081 Ext.534.
Our Ref: AC/37/61/S/Tn.3

17 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Army Leave Personnel

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A. Rome.

1. Reference your AQ/17 dated 13 January 1945 addressed to Ministry of War.

2. The Leave Pass (Appendix A) gives name of ship and date of sailing to all going on leave which does not conform to present security regulations.

3. The Pass should only state:-

(a) To whom the man should report, i.e. Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi at the Port of embarkation.

(b) Date and time at which he should report.

4. The Embarkation Officer of the Ufficio Imbarchi Sbarchi is responsible for making all embarkation arrangements to embark the men on the ABBAZIA or other vessel nominated to do the ferry.

5. Subject to normal conditions the embarkation port on the mainland will be Torre Annunziata, in Sardinia Cagliari.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

Mansfield W. Cdr. 1086

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By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

Mansfield Lt. Col. 1086

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

15 January 1945

Ref : AC/37/58/Tn/S

SUBJECT : Naples / Cagliari Ferry

TO : Capt. Smith
Tn. Sub-Commission
AC Southern Region - Naples

Attached is bid 72/45 for the above service, 7 tons Safety Blasting Fuse.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref : AC/37/55/Tn/S 13 January 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia-Italy Ferry.

TO : Navy S/C

see also (73)

1. Attached is :
(a) A copy of a report from the Transportation Officer Sardinia Region on the first sailing of the Sardinia Italy ferry,
(b) A copy of a letter written to A.F.H.Q.

2. As the delay appears largely due to poor berthing arrangements at the Naples group of ports, it is felt that this is a matter to be taken up thru the Navy S/C with the Naval authorities concerned as well as with AFHQ.

for MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref: AC/37/55/Tn/S

13th January 1945

SUBJECT : Sardinia-Italy Ferry.

TO : G-4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ

1. Attached is a copy of a report on the first sailing of the Abbazia from Cagliari to Naples. This report was made by the Sardinia Region Transportation Officer, who sailed on this voyage.

2. From the report it will be seen that the ship anchored off Naples at 0800 hours on 1 Jan 45, but that considerable delay occurred in diverting the ship to Torre Annunziata, disembarkation of the passengers did not take place till p.m. 2 Jan.45.

3. It is appreciated that this was the first voyage of these Ferry Services, but much of the delay was apparently avoidable and it is requested that steps be taken to prevent a recurrence.

4. The apparent lack of organization will be taken up with the local authorities concerned, by the Tn S/C, but it is felt that some direction from higher authority would be of assistance.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Navy S/C
Shipping S/C
HQ, AC Southern Region
HQ, AC Sardinia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
APO 394

R/1413

9 January 1945

SUBJECT: Ferry Service - SARDINIA - NAPLES - SS. ABBAZIA.

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

1. As you know the steamship ABBAZIA has recently been put on the ferry service between Sardinia and Naples. As I was once Regional Commissioner of Sardinia and am now Regional Commissioner for the South, I was naturally interested in the working of this ferry service, linking together these two parts of Italy which I have had much concern with. It is only to be expected that the first voyages of such a new enterprise should disclose matters for improvement. I think, however, that you may be interested to read the attached report. It was produced for me by Captain NEWBY, Transportation Officer, Sardinia, who travelled over on the vessel. I should explain that Captain NEWBY with the second officer of the ship called at Regional Headquarters on 1 January 1945 and that on my instructions, and incidentally in my own car, he went down to Torre Annunziata with Major Stockman and Captain Smith of this office to meet the vessel there. Captain NEWBY's report was substantially confirmed by Lt. Blandon, RASC officer, mentioned in the report, when he subsequently travelled to Reggio with my party on 3 January. One of the most important points which arises is, that passengers travelling by this ship should be warned that the journey may take several days and that they will have to provide adequate rations. It is, however, pertinent to point out that on the basis of the present Italian rationing system, it is very difficult for an Italian civilian to accumulate rations.

J. K. DUNLOP,
Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

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TO : Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region

SUBJECT: Ferry Service - SARDINIA - NAPLES-SS. ABBAZIA.

You requested me to furnish you with a copy of my report to Regional Commissioner Sardinia on the situation in respect f the "docking" of the above mentioned ship. I think it is necessary that I make a special report direct to you immediately. I am trying to be as brief as possible.

1. Vessel left Cagliari 30 Dec. 44 2 Days late (weather). One meal was provided for the passengers at Cagliari by Italian Navy.

2. Arrived Naples at 0800 hrs 1 Jan. 45 on Scheduled Running Time 36 hours.

3. Approach of ship signalled to Mainland 0730 hrs.

4. 0800 hours dropped Anchor. Necessary Flag signals Hoisted.

5. 1000 hrs visited by Naval Petrol Vessel in charge of WREN OFFICER. She asked speed of ship. She was asked to inform Navy that "ABBAZIA" was carrying passengers and it was very urgent they be landed quickly. Captain was instructed to Signal NAVY HOUSE. This was done at about 1030 hrs. Signal was accepted by NAVY HOUSE.

6. 1200 hours. Passengers was getting very restless because of not being landed. Further signal sent to NAVY HOUSE stating no food for 270 passengers.

7. 1215 hrs. Captain of ship decided to send 2nd officer ashore to try and get authority to bring the ship in. Asked Captain Newby to accompany him.

8. 1330 hours arrived NAVAL CONTROL Ship. They knew nothing about ABBAZIA.

9. Proxeeded to Office of N. C. S. O. Eventually found. WREN OFFICER who said that they had been informed that the ABBAZIA had docked at TORRE ANNUNZIATA but that it was found to be a mistake. She said ABBAZIA had to go to TORRE ANNUNZIATA. She was asked could not this information have been passed to the ABBAZIA in view of the Signals. Said signals had not been received. Yet in the very next office on the desk of a Ministry of War Transport Representative was the Signal sent at 1200 hrs. (See Para 6).

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10. 1730 hours. I arrived at TORRE ANNUNZIATA accompanied by

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10. 1730 hours. I arrived at TORRE ANNUUNZIATA accompanied by Major STOCKMAN and Capt. SMITH, found ship had arrived but would not dock that night. In consulation with the above mentioned officers it was deciced that something must be done to provide food. After about 4 hours telephony etc. 270 Dock Labourers Scale Rations were obtained and transported to ship. Feeding of the passengers was completed by 0030 hrs 2 Jan. 45. I would like to bring to you notice of the excellent work performed by Major Stockman (Your Headquarters) Lieut. Blandon (A R. A. S. C. Officer a passenger on the ship reporting to No. 3 District) Major Ludlow Hewitt (Duty Officer 56 area) and Signor

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Siringo (Ministry of War Transport Agent at the PORT).
We were informed that Ship would dock at 0800 hrs 2 Jan 45.

11. 1000 hours 2 Jan. 44 the Italian PORT Commandant CAPT. MARZOVILLA boorded the ABBAZIA. Informed Captain that the ship would dock about 1100 hours at 1045 hours there was a further demonstration by the women both to the Captain of the Ship and myself.

12. 1100 hours a British Field Security Officer boorded the ship and informed Captain that it would not dock that day but it was hoped to get a barge to discharge the passengers. This eventually arrived and after 4 journes the disembarking was completed by 1700 hours. Again Signor Siringo has shown a great deal of fore thought by the provision of a large number of HORSE-DRAWN vehicles to get the passengers away. I left the ship with the last load and arrived in Naples about 1830 hours too late to report to you personally/

13. I was informed that if an EMPTY Liberty Ship inthe Dock had beeb moved about 20 yards further along the Quay the ABBAZIA could have docked but that in spite of an explanation of the circumstances to the B. N. L. O. for that Port he would not sanction it and even left orders that two other ship should dock before the ABBAZIA, so that it would be unlikely to dock before Thursday or Friday.

14. Capt. Smith has informed me that he has taken steps which he thinks will prevent a recurrance of the situation.

I have the honor
to be
Your obedient servant

(signed)

JOHN H. NEWBY, Captain

Regional Transportation Officer
SARDEGNA REGION

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section
c/o Southern Region.

10 Jan 45

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SUBJECT :- First Voyage S.S."ABBAZIA"

TO :- Director,
Tn Sub-Comm,
H.Q. Allied Commission.,

Regional Commissioner,
Southern Region,
Allied Commission.

1. On January 1st 1945 the S.S. "ABBAZIA" arrived in the Gulf of Naples, two days later than the scheduled time, having been delayed by bad weather, and was ordered to proceed to TORRE ANNUNZIATA and to discharge passengers and cargoes As all the berths were occupied by ships with military cargoes and a Liberty ship with A.C. grain, the "ABBAZIA" had to lay off the port until the morning of 3rd January.

2. When the ship arrived off the port, the Regional Commissioner was informed that she carried 274 passengers, who were without food. Immediate steps were taken to purchase food and deliver it aboard, on the evening of the 1st. Next day 2nd January, the passengers were taken ashore by tender, were examined by the local Dogana and security departments, and proceeded on their journeys, transport having been arranged for those who required it.

3. The cargo, totalling 760 tons consisted of 509 tons of magnesium sulphate, 80 tons cork, 40 tons E.F.I. goods, 60 tons Talc, 68 tons hides, and 3 tons coffee. Discharging commenced on Jan 3rd, No 3 berth at TORRE ANNUNZIATA having been released. (Note. There is always an acute shortage of berths in Naples and the Gulf ports. It is now expected that No 3 berth at TORRE ANNUNZIATA will be left clear for the "ABBAZIA")

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4. On the 4th January the weather became worse, and

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torrential rain day and night made loading and discharging, except at rare intervals, impossible, without seriously damaging the cargo.

5. It was decided to embark passengers on 6th January at TORRE ANNUNZIATA and this was duly carried out, transport having been arranged from Naples. The number of passengers was restricted to about 240, in order that they could be more comfortably accommodated and it was stipulated that each passenger should embark with five days rations. (Note. Improvements to the accommodation are being taken in hand immediately, so that it is hoped very soon to have sleeping berths for 250 passengers and suitable separate lavatory arrangements)

6. Short intervals during the rain permitted the completion of the discharging of the inward cargo and of the loading of as much as possible of the outward cargo, and the hatches were finally closed at mid-day on Sunday, January 7th.

7. Meantime arrangements had been made to have the ship bunkered and fresh water put on board at Naples. As the bunkering is a slow process, the ship being a bad trimmer, another day was occupied before she was finally ready to sail for CAGLIARI at noon on the 8th January. Permission to sail was not given by the Naval authorities until a.m. on the 9th.

8. The outward cargo consisted of:-

14.5	tons	of	shoes, soap, clothing
7.25	"	"	school books
7.00	"	"	shoes, blankets, stockings
2.88	"	"	cotton, borax, lamp wick
7.60	"	"	Newsprint
176.3	"	"	Sugar.

The C.I.P. Tank lorry weighing 4½ tons could not be loaded by the ship's derricks, the maximum capacity of which is 2 tons, and will have to be lifted by floating crane on a future voyage. No lift beyond the capacity of the ship's derricks is permitted, until the Port Commandant has a guarantee that there are facilities for unloading it at the port of discharge. I am informed that such facilities exist at CAGLIARI and have asked for written confirmation.

F. H. SMITH, 1078
Capt, R.E.,
Tn Sub-Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Shipping Section,
APO 394.
c/o Southern Region.

6 Jan 45.

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SUBJECT:- S.S. "ABAZZIA".

TO :- Shipping Section,
Tn Sub-Commission,
H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. A copy of the above named ship's Manifest containing particulars of cargo discharged at the port of TORRE ANNUNZIATA from CAGLIARI is enclosed herewith for information.

F. H. SMITH,
Capt,R.E.,
Tn Sub-Com.

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Numero d'ordine delle Polizia	Marche e Numeri	Numero dei colli	Qualita dei colli	Qualità delle Merci	Nome E dei Caricatori	de
1	R.A.F.	254	balle	sughero lavorato	Testa per è Rosati	Lo
2	A.B.C.	100	"	" grezzo	" " " Senio	
3		265	"	Talco-Crine-Bianco Zinco	Franc Bozzo	
4	P G	113	"	sughero lavorato	Testa pre Gino	
5		1575		Talco	fecs Bozzo	D
6		46	"	Sughero in smolette	Gràmignano E	o
7	G.M.div	421	"	" grezzo e lavorato	RO Olivari	
8	T.H.1/363	363	"	Pelli ovine	Gina Buonanno	
9	Div	42	"	" "	Raff Marra	
10	"	145	"	" "	Amedeo Vegone	
11	G S	363	"	Sughero grezzo lavorato	G G Sotgiu	o
12	P G	26	"	Pelli ovine	Giov.Pisano	
13	R G	75	"	" "	Buonanno	
14	l'unico	134	x	Surrogato caffè	L'Unico	
15	N D	36	balle	Sughero lavorato e turaccioli	Nevio Dell'Arta	
16		19362	x	Solfato magnesio	Conti Vecchi	Co
	E F E	996	colli	Viveri	C A	C

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Copy of Manifest of
S.S. "ABAZZIA"

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alita ei alli	Qualità delle Merci	Nome E dei Caricatori	Cognome dei Ricevitori	PESO
balle	sughero lavorato	Testa per è Rosati	Lorenzo Boccardo	10000
"	" grezzo	" " " Senio	ordine	7500
"	Talco-Crine-Bianco Zinco	Franc Bozzo		15500
"	sughero lavorato	Testa pre Gino	se stesso	7310
	Talco	fscs Bozzo	De Croce Emanuele	44935
"	Sughero in smolette	Gramignano E	ordine	4000
"	" grezzo e lavorato	RO Olivari	"	28980
"	Pelli ovine	Gina Buonanno	"	41000
"	" "	Raff Marra	"	3900
"	" "	Amedeo Vegone	sè stesso	10500
"	Sughero grezzo lavorato	G G Sotgiu	ordine	20000
"	Pelli ovine	Giov.Pisano	"	2758
"	" "	Buonanno	"	9000
"	Surrogato caffè	L'Unico	"	3000
x	Sughero lavorato e turaccioli	Nevio Dell'Arta	"	2500
balle	Solfato magnesio	Conti Vecchi	Conti Vecchi	508539
x	Viveri	C A	C A	40000
colli				Quintali 760072

Copy of Manifest of
S.S. "ABAZZIA"

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Translation

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIE D COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref / AC/37/51/Tn/S

12 Jenaury 1945

SUBJECT : Transportation of Skins and cork.

TO : Signor Boccardo Lorenzo
presso Testa Via Roma 11 Cagliari

We inform you that at the present we cannot grant your request of transportation of skins and cork from CAGLIARI to NAPLES.

Besides, it is necessary to observe the Procedure fixed in the AC Shipping Memorandum No 2 which you may get at the local Camera di Commercio.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Enclosure : 2 bids in triplicate.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Via Ingrave

Ref : AC/37/51/Tn/S

12 Gennaio 1945

SUBJECT : Trasporto di pelli e di sughero

TO : Signor Boccardo Lorenzo
Presso "Agenzia Testa"
Via Roma 11 Cagliari

Vi informiamo che presentemente non può essere dato corso alla Vostra richiesta di trasporto di pelli ovine e caprine (20 Tonnellate) e di sughero lavorato (20 Tonn.) da CAGLIARI a NAPOLI.

Per ogni altra richiesta è necessario attenersi alle precise disposizioni contenute nel "Memorandum di Spedizione Nº 2 " di cui potrete prendere visione presso la Camera di Commercio locale.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Direttore

Allegati : 2 Richieste in triplice copia.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref : AC/37/49/Tn/S

9 January 1945

SUBJECT : Cagliari/Naples Berry.

TO : AC Sardinia Region.

Attached is bid No.80 50 ton. block Tale.
Please implement on the above service.

MERRITT H.TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

2 January 1945

A.C. SHIPPING MEMORANDUM No.3

Amendment No.1, dated 1 Jan. 1945

1. Para 1: after "from Cagliari" add:- "under control of the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi".

2. Delete para 9.

3. Substitute new para 9 as follows:- "

"The actual operation of the service will be managed by the "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company and their agents, under the control of CO-GE-NA. The "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issuance of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freights, passage monies, etc., and account therefore to CO-GE-NA."

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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Hemp "	Roma
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Legal Sub-Comm.	Benevento
Monuments fine arts & Archives Sub-Comm.	Napoli
U.N.R.R.A.	Salerno
Salt (Monopolio dello Stato)	Bari
Tobacco (Monopolio dello Stato)	Brindisi
Matches (Monopolio dello Stato)	Foggia
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ALCOM SARDINIA REGION

SCHOONER CONTROL

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SECRET PD

PARA ONE PD ABBAZIA EXPECTED SAIL NAPLES AM ~~SIX~~ SEVEN JAN CARRYING THE

FOLLOWING PD

PAREN TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGSG TO MRDBO

SCHOONER CONTROL NAPLES FROM ECON PAREN

TWO FIVE ZERO TONS SUGAR CMA FOUR ZERO TONS NEWSPRINT TWO TWO ZERO

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

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MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING BOARD,
A.F.H.Q., C.M.F.

To:- Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C., Rome.

From:-Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board.

Date:-23rd December, 1944

Subject:- Regular Passenger/Cargo Service Cagliari to Naples.

1. At a Meeting of the Board held on 22nd December it was decided to allocate the Italian Steamship "ABBAZIA" to the Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi to institute a regular passenger and cargo service between Cagliari (Sardinia) and Naples.

2. The actual operation of the service will be managed by the "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company and their agents under the control of CO.GE.NA.

3. The "TIRRENIA" Navigation Company will attend to all matters of documentation, issuance of passenger tickets and bills of lading, also collection of all freights, passage monies etc. and account therefor to CO.GE.NA.

4. Priorities for passages or freight bookings will be governed by the Allied Commission. Priorities will be as follows:-

Priority No.1.	Passengers.	Allied Service Personnel and Officials.
	Cargo.	Allied Services Cargo.
Priority No.2.	Passengers.	Italian Service Personnel and Officials.
	Cargo.	Italian Service Cargo.
Priority No.3.	Passengers.	All other Italian personnel.
	Cargo.	Italian Civil Cargo.

5. The Board requested that A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.3 of 15th December 1944 should be amended to meet the requirements of the representatives of the Combined Shipping Adjustment Board as set out above.

6. A copy of this communication has been sent to the Director, Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi for information.

Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

4 January, 1945.

AC/14080/11/PS

SUBJECT : Movement of Italian Military Personnel on Leave.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attention Major Maclure)

1. Reference recent conversation Major Maclure and Major W.C. Ballance.

2. Pending a decision on this matter by AFHQ., it is hereby confirmed that Italian military Personnel proceeding on leave to Sardinia will not be required to be in possession of AMG Movement of civilians passes in addition to the Italian military passes issued by the Ministry of War, providing the military passes are endorsed by MMIA Liaison Officers.

Wm C. Ballance Maj

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
for Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Copy : Land Forces Sub-Commission
(Attention Capt. Selby).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 489081 Ex.534
Our Ref: AC/37/42/Tn/S

5 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Army - Leave to Sardinia.

TO : Capt.Smith
Tn.Sub-Comm. Southern Region.

Below is extract of letter received from M.M.I.A.

Para 2.g Personnel who are granted leave to Sardinia from the Mainland, and vice versa, will arrive at the Port of embarkation in possession of a Ministry of War stamped pass showing the dates of sailing for both outward and return trips. They will report to the Italian Embarkation Staffs who will ensure that they are permitted to sail on the dates stated.

Para 3.
(b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

(c) Italian Military personnel on leave will not be required to be in possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, providing Ministry of War pass endorsed by M.M.I.A. Liaison Officers. "

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478701
Our Ref: AC/37/41/Tn/S

4 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Service Personnel per SS.ABAZZIA

TO : Southern Region

50 places are reserved on each voyage of the SS.Abazzia for Italian Service Personnel on leave to and from Sardinia. They travel under the auspices of the M.M.I.A. and do not pay any fare.

It has however been reported that approx.70 other Italian personnel wishing to go on leave to Sardinia, applied to Headquarters, Southern Region, for permits to travel on which they were prepared to pay the normal rate.

It is pointed out for the information and action of all concerned that no such personnel must be permitted to travel, as the 50 places allocated are all that can be afforded owing to the small size of the ship and the number of people waiting to travel.

A directive to this effect is being issued by M.M.I.A.

The Delegazione Trasporti in Naples will be responsible to the Prefettura for arrangements for the 50 personnel entitled to travel.

/s/ Merritt H. Taylor
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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Tel: 478761
Our Ref: AC/37/41/Tn/S

4 January 1945.

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MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: Sardinia Region
" " Land Forces Sub-Commission

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ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FOR CHAYTON

ACTION: ALCOM FOR LEGG

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

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Your signal 8716 of 24 December subject cheese. 35 tons cheese already loaded schooner SANTANDREA leaving today 28 December for CIVITAVECCHIA.

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Action - Food SC (2)
Info - Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec
Tn SC
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2 JAN 1945
AFHQ

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Subject:- Italian Army - Leave to SARDINIA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
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30 Dec 44.

Transportation Sub Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

Ref. A.C. Shipping Memorandum N°3
dated 15 Dec/44 and
Alcom Signal 8596 of 22 Dec/44.

see also (66)

1. It is proposed that the allocation of the 50 permits per trip on the ABBAZIA, which have been authorised for Italian Military Personnel on leave, shall be controlled by the Ministry of War.

X 2. Personnel who are granted leave to Sardinia from the Mainland, and vice versa, will arrive at the Port of embarkation in possession of a Ministry of War stamped pass showing the dates of sailing for both outward and return trips. They will report to the Italian Embarkation Staffs who will ensure that they are permitted to sail on the dates stated.

3. It is requested that you will please confirm that:

a) the instructions contained in para 6 of your above quoted Memorandum do not apply to Italian Military Personnel on leave.

b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

X c) Italian Military personnel on leave will not be required to be a possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, / Period of Military Personnel Granted by MMIL Leave Officers

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4. It is also requested that you will please advise this H.Q. of future dates of sailing from time to time, as far in advance as possible.

CLAYTON.P. KERR, Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/36/Tn/S

3 January 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Army - Leave to Sardinia

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission

Reference your letter Q/17 dated 30 Dec 44 it is confirmed that :-

a) the instructions contained in para 6 of AC Shipping Memorandum No. 3 do not apply to Italian Military Personnel on leave.

b) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to pay any fare.

c) Italian Military Personnel on leave will not be required to be in possession of an AMG pass, in addition to the Ministry of War pass, providing the Ministry of War pass is endorsed by an M.M.I.A. liaison officer.

Future sailing dates will be notified to you as soon as possible.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

3 January 1945

Ref : AC/37/35/Tn/S

SUBJECT : Ferry Service - SS Abbazia

TO : HQ Sardinia Region

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see also (101)
see also (117)

1. Receipt of your Tptn/1605 dated 26 Dec 44. Contents of paras 2, 3 and 4 are noted. It is agreed that you should render monthly a list of Commodities, with weights, that are ready to be shipped. On receipt of the list, this HQ will determine the priorities for loading on the "Abbazia".

2. In view of the above it will be unnecessary to use the form S B 2; the procedure will be reduced to :-

a) Rendering by you to this HQ of lists of Commodities as outlined above.
b) Allocation of loading priorities by this HQ.
c) Notification of these priorities to you by this HQ.

for Andrea Chapin Major RA
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : HQ Southern Region

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

26th December 1944.

Reference : Tptn/1605

Subject : Ferry Service - SARDINIA - MAINLAND

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission.(2)
Commerce Sub-Commission. (1) Transportation Sub-Commissioner (1)
Industry Sub-Commission. (1)

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1. Reference your Signal 8510 dated 30th December 1944 on the Subject of SS ABBAZIA. Enclosed, please find copy of your Signal 8510 and our Signals 186 and 239.

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2. The list of commodities to be shipped during December 1944 was submitted to this Headquarters by the High Commissioner for SARDINIA. We were informed in all good faith that the commodities in question were in various warehouses in CAGLIARI. When the time came for the commodities to be loaded, it was found that in some cases this was not so and that only a much smaller weight was actually in CAGLIARI. Unless a check of all the small warehouses in CAGLIARI are personally checked by an Allied Official, it will be impossible to ascertain the actual weight.

3. It should be pointed out that the Warehouses in CAGLIARI suffered very badly from bombardment. The few intact ones were occupied by the American Army and they have only just been de-requisitioned. The filling of these warehouses will take some time as, now that the Garrison has left, the Railway service has been curtailed. Motor Transport is scarce and the Donkey Carts had to be the chief form of transportation.

4. Now that it is known to the Traders of SARDINIA that the ferry service is in operation and now that the few intact warehouses have been de-requisitioned, commodities will come into CAGLIARI in sufficient weight to more than meet the tonnage to be shipped on the SS ABBAZIA but it will be impossible to give you in advance an accurate weight of the commodities to be shipped.

5. It is suggested that a list of commodities with the approximate weights that are ready to be shipped is rendered by this Headquarters every month. On perusal of this list, Headquarters, Allied Commission determine the Priorities and that the loading of the SS ABBAZIA is made according to your Priorities.

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6. By the time the forms SBs are filled in by the local Traders sent to the High Commissioner's Office, screened by Allied Commission, Sardinia Region, sent to ROME Headquarters, Allied Commission for approval and a reply received by this Headquarters in SARDINIA, the SS ABBAZIA will have probably

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For the Regional Commissioner,

HEADQUARTERS 2 JUN

J.R.B. Turner.

J.R.B. TURNER.
Captain.
Regional Commerce Officer.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

Priority

From : Alcom

To : Alcom Sardinia Region : AFHQ cite FHGDM FHGEG: MOVWIT; Pembase: Pensouth: Alcom Southern Region

Ref Nr : 8510 20 Dec

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1. Subject is loading SS ABBAZIA

Reference your 186 dated 5 Dec and 239 dated 15 Dec

Your bids for Dec must be shipped in following priority :

(1) Fibre, Willow, empty drums

(2) Cork 400 tons, Kelite 400 Tons, skins, Sunthetic coffee, Woollen garments

(3) Balance of cork, balance of kelite

(4) Magnesium Sulphate, soda Sulphate, zinc Oxide, talc, colouring earth.

2. Empty drums not to be loaded in this ship if they recently contained Octane. Bulk commodities will not be loaded. Assure Kalite is bagged.

3. Ensure cargo plans made out and normal COGENA documentations carried out.

4. Allocation of commodities will be nominated by this Headquarters.

Recd. 23 DEC

OUTGOING MESSAGE

To : Alcom 5 Dec
From: Alcom Sardinia Region
Ref Nr. 186

CONFIDENTIAL PD
REFERENCE YOUR 7356 DATED 30 NOV PD SHIPPING BIDS FROM CAGLIARI TO NAPLES FOR MONTH OF DEC WILL BE APPROX 3332 TONS AS FOLLOWS CLN SKINS 80.6 TONS PD CORK 920 TONS PD FIBRE 20 TONS PD COLOURING EARTH 259 TONS PD WOOLLEN ARTICLES 30 TONS PD TALC 216 TONS PD ZINC OXIDE 80 TONS PD MAGNESIUM SULPHATE 605 TONS PD SODA SULPHATE 25 TONS PD WILLOWS 70 TONS PD SYNTHETIC COFFEE ONE TON PD FERTILISERS KALITE 1000 TONS PD EMPTY DRUMS 25 TONS PD DETAILS TO FOLLOW PD THIS WEIGHT DOES NOT INCLUDE SALT FOR SALT MONOPOLY PD APPROX 3000 TONS WILL BE SHIPPED DURING DEC

J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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To : Alcom 15 DEC

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Recd. 23 DEC

OUTGOING MESSAGE

5 Dec

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From: Alcom Sardinia Region
Ref Nr. 186

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J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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15 DEC

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To : Alcom
From : Alcom Sardinia Region
Ref Nr. 239

SUBJECT IS SHIPPING BIDS PD SS ABBAZIA WILL COMMENCE A BI-MONTHLY SERVICE BETWEEN NAPLES AND CAGLIARI AT THE END OF DECEMBER PD SHIPPING BIDS TOTALLING 3332 TONS WERE SUBMITTED IN OUR SIGNAL 186 DATED 5 DEC PD SB2 ARE BEING SENT PD AS SS ABBZIA CAN LOAD UP TO 1000 TONS ON EACH TRIP MAY ALLOCATION OF COMMODITIES BE DETERMINED BY THIS HQ AND SB2 RENDERED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL SHIPPING SPACE

J R B TURNER, Capt, Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref : AC/37/33/Tn/S

3 January 1945

SUBJECT : Passenger/cargo Service Cagliari to Naples

TO : Chairman, Mediterranean Shipping Board
A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference your letter dated 23 December, A.C. Shipping Memorandum N°. 3 will be amended as suggested.

2. Copies of the original Memorandum were sent to the Member of the Shipping Sub-Commission, who at the time, made no comment.

3. It was subsequently learnt, through G-4 (Mov. & Tn.) AFHQ that certain amendments might be necessary. On receipt of this information a representative of the Transportation Sub-Commission took up the possibility of revision with the Shipping Sub-Commission. The Shipping Sub-Commission contacted a member of MWT, at AFHQ, and this Sub-Commission was informed, following inquiries, that no amendments would be necessary.

4. It is requested that in future, when meetings are held at which points particularly affecting A.C. are to be discussed, this Sub-Commission be informed, so that they may have the opportunity of sending a representative.

All also (70)

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION ALCOM SARDINIA REGION

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PARA ONE FS PLEASE FORWARD SOONEST REPORT ON WORKING FIRST VOYAGE

ARGALIA PD

PARA TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION TO ALCOM SARDINI REGION FROM ALCOM PARIS

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NICHOLAS PIGNATO
Cpl. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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Subject: Leave to Sardinia - Italian Military

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/17

22 Dec 44.

Tn Sub Commission, A.C.

Reference CR/4336/G-1(BR) of 5 Dec and 9 Dec 44.

1. Certain difficulty has arisen in planning the movement of the tps to the port for embarkation on S.S. ABRAZZIA.

2. The Italian War Ministry is faced with the problem of moving men from all over Italy and Sicily to Naples with no knowledge if they will be shipped or, when they do get to Sardinia, if they will be shipped back to the Mainland.

This will cause congestion at the ports and the absence of men from duty for extended periods.

3. It is therefore requested that, always subject to the requirements operational moves of Allied tps, a firm allotment of places on the ABRAZZIA may be made to the Italian Military Authorities. As the capacity of the ABRAZZIA is some 250, it is suggested that the allotment be 50 as a start and subject to review when the system has worked for a period.

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F. J. NOAKES, Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

26 December 1944.

Tel: 478701
Our Ref: AC/37/27/Tn/S

SUBJECT: Leave to Sardinia -Italian Service Personnel

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission
M.M.I.A.

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Reference your AQ/17 dated 22 December 1944, a firm allotment of 50 places has been made on the Abbazia for Italian Service personnel as per our signal 8596 of 22 Dec.'44.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
C/o Southern Region

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

December, 20th. 1944

Reference : Tn/C/10

SUBJECT : CAGLIARI TO NAPLES BIDS.

I enclose bids received to date, with which you will no doubt deal.
They are:-

Ref.	From	To	Goods	Tonnage
Cal.2	Cagliari	Naples	Wooden boxes in pieces.	30
Cal.3	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins400/500 tons	100 tons each 15 days
Cal.4	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins	150 tons
Cal.6	-"-	-"-	Raw Skins	20 "
Cal.7	-"-	-"-	Worked Cork	20 "

In addition there is the bid you sent, Cagliari to S.Stefano 150 tons Salt per month.

Captain.
Tn.Sub Commission
Southern Region

Bids Submitted for (19)

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REGION FOR ALTO COMMISSARIO FOR INFO PREFETTURA NAPLES FOR INFO
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PARA ONE FD SUBJECT IS ARRANIA FD

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

18 December 1944.

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/8/104/Tn/S

SUBJECT: Bids

TO : Capt.Smith
Transportation Sub-Commission
c/o Southern Region

Attached are bids for your attention.

It is not known whether the ABBAZIA can take the tank lorry on her own derricks. If the ABBAZIA can take it, please return the bid to this HQ., and we will submit to G - 4 (Mov & Tn).

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Enclosures: Bids

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APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref ; AC/37/19/Tn/S

22 December 1944

SUBJECT : Bids Cagliari to Naples
for SS ABBAZIA

TO : AC - Sardinia Region.

Enclosed are the following bids for shipment from Cagliari to Naples.

	Goods	Tonnage
1 ------	Wooden boxes in pieces.	30 tons
2 ------	Raw Skins 400/500 tons	100 tons each 15 days
3 ------	Raw Skins	150 tons
4 ------	Raw Skins	20 tons
5 ------	Worked Cork	20 tons

If you approve of them for export please stamp in the usual way and return to this office. Shipment should be made on the ABBAZIA on priorities issued by this HQ. The bid 1 above has been on hand some time and should be shipped promptly.

For easy reference in future please arrange to number your bids serially with your own reference.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to : Capt. Smith
Southern Region.

Enclosure : Bids

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ALCOM SARDINIA REGION AFHQ CITE PHQ IM PHQ 6 FOR INFO TO MOVWIT

TO PENBASE TO PENBASE SOUTH TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT: LOADINGS TO SUGAR SUGAR ANDANIA PD

PARAM TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO AFHQ CITE PHQIM PHQ6 TO MOVWIT TO

PENBASE TO PENBASE SOUTH TO ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION FOR SMITH ABLE

CHARLIE TM SHP PHQ6 ALCOM PARAM

REFERENCE YOUR ONE EIGHT SIX DATED FIVE DEC AND TWO THREE NINE DATED

ONE FIVE DEC WOTTO ALL PD YOUR BIDS FOR DEC MUST BE SHIPPED IN FOLLOWING

PRIORITY COLOR ONE CMA FIBRE CMA WILLOW CM EMPTY DRUMS PD TWO CMA

CORK FOURTEEN ZERO TONS CMA KNLITE FOUR ZERO ZERO TONS CMA SKINS

SYNTHETIC COVER CMA WOOLLEN GARMENTS PD THREE CMA BALANCE OF CORK CMA

BALANCE OF KALITE PD FOUR CMA MAGNESIUM SULPHATE CMA SODA SULPHATE

CMA ZINC OXIDE CMA TALC CMA COLOURING MATTR PD

PARA TWO PD EMPTY DRUMS NOT TO BE LOADED IN THIS SHIP EXTRA MATERIALS

IF THEY RECENTLY CONTAINED OCTANE PD BULK COMMODITIES WILL NOT

BE LOADED PD ASSURE KALITE IS BAGGED PD

PARA THREE PD ENSURE CARGO PLANS MADE OUT AND NORMAL DOCUMENTATION

CARRIED OUT PD

PARA FOUR PD ALLOCATION OF COMMODITIES WILL BE NOMINATED BY THIS HEAD-

QUARTERS PD

COPY TO MR BELL SHIPPING SUB COMM

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AFHQ CITE FHGXG FHGTM ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FOR INFO

FBS NAPLES PEN SOUTH MOVEIT

8478 20 DEC 44 PRIORITY

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PARA ONE FD REFERENCE ABLE CHARLIE SHIPPING MEMORANDUM (15) NUMBER THREE REQUEST PRIORITY DISCHARGE AND LOADING AT NAPLES GIVEN TO SUGAR SUGAR ABBAZZIA ALLOCATED SARDINIA NAPLES FERRY FD

PAREN TO AFHQ CITE FHGXG FHGTM TO ALCOM SARDINIA REGION TO FBS NAPLES TO PEN SOUTH TO MOVEIT FROM ALCOM PAREN

PARA TWO FD ALCOM SARDINIA WILL ARRANGE PRIORITY AT CAGLIARI FD

PARA THREE FD IF PRIORITY NOT GIVEN ABBAZZIA WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN SCHEDULE FD

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

18 December 1944

Tel:476704
Our Ref: AC/3/52/Tn/3

SUBJECT: CAGLIARI - NAPLES Ferry
A.C. Shipping Memo No.3.

TO : G - 4 (Mov & Tn)

In order that the SS/ABBAZIA can run to schedule, it is essential that this vessel should be given priority of discharge and loading at both Cagliari and Naples.

It is requested that the necessary facilities be made available.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to:Regional Commissioner,
Sardinia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

15 December '44.

A.C. SHIPPING MEMORANDUM No.3.

1. A regular Ferry Service from Cagliari (Sardinia) to Naples is to be initiated, starting on 28 December 1944 from Cagliari.

2. The SS/ABBAZIA has been selected for this service, and will do two round trips per month. Her capacity will be 250 personnel and 1000 tons cargo.

3. The following is the January programme:-

CAGLIARI		NAPLES	
Depart	28 Dec.	Arrive	30 Dec.
Arrive	8 Jan.	Depart	6 Jan.
Depart	13 Jan.	Arrive	15 Jan.
Arrive	22 Jan.	Depart	20 Jan.
Depart	27 Jan.	Arrive	29 Jan.

4. The personnel accomodation will not be comfortable, as it will be necessary to put some people in a tween deck, there being cabin accomodation for 30 only. These personnel will have to provide their own bedding, and food must also be put on board.

There are no bunks in the tween decks and passengers must travel "hard". Women and children should not be carried in tween deck accomodation.

5. Personnel priorities, prices of tickets and cargo rates are as follows:-

Priority Number One. - Reserved for Allied Service Personnel and Officials.
Priority Number Two. - Italian Service Personnel.
Priority Number Three.- All other Italian personnel

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6. Priority Number One will be assigned by the Regional Commissioner, Sardinia, and the Regional Commissioner, Southern Region, to one or other of whom application should be made.

Priorities Nos.two and three will be assigned by the Alto Commissario in Cagliari, for Sardinia and by the Prefetture in Naples, for the Mainland. Applications for permits under Priorities numbers two and three should be made to any Prefettura, who will forward them to the Authorities in Cagliari and Naples respectively.

The Italian Government will arrange for the division into Sub-Priorities of all personnel coming under Priority Number Three.

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7. The Regional Commissioners, Southern Region and Sardinia Region will keep in reserve ten Priority one tickets for cabins for the use of Allied Service Personnel and officials, until two days before sailing date; if not taken up, they will be made available to personnel with Priorities Numbers two or three as the situation warrants.

8. No more than 250 tickets will be sold for any particular voyage, as that is the total number of passengers which can be accomodated.

9. To ensure that the number of tickets sold does not exceed the number of passengers which can be transported, the Alto Commissario in Cagliari and the Prefettura in Naples will set up a ticket selling unit at the Ports of Cagliari and Naples respectively.

Tickets will only be sold on the day of sailing, and only to passengers with the proper Priority Permit.

10. Regional Commissioners Southern Region and Sardinia Region, are requested to contact the Prefettura in Naples and the Alto Commissario in Sardinia respectively, to ensure the smooth running of the above; and in addition, to keep in close touch with their respective Port Commandants so that the latter are able to make full arrangements for embarkation and disembarkation.

11. The fares will be:-
2000 lire for Cabin passengers.
1000 lire for Deck passengers.

12. The tariff for Cargo will be:-
3614 lire per ton for first class cargo.
2730 lire per ton for second class cargo.
2025 lire per ton for third class cargo.
1283 lire per ton for fourth class cargo.

These figures are subject to alteration at any time without prior notice.

13. The bidding procedure for cargo will be the one set out in A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.2.

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9 A. No person under priority No. 3 shall be sold a ticket unless in possession of a "Movement of Civilians" pass issued by A.C.C or the Questura. This applies also to Italian Service personnel on leave.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

15 December 1944

MEMORANDUM MARITTIMO No.3
della
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

1. A partire dal 28 Dicembre 1944 sarà iniziato da Cagliari un regolare servizio di traghetto Cagliari (Sardegna)- Napoli.

2. Il piroscafo "ABBAZIA" è stato prescelto per questo servizio, e farà due viaggi di andata e ritorno al mese. Esso potrà portare 250 persone e 1000 tonnellate di carico.

3. Il programma di gennaio è il seguente:

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Arrivo	8 Gennaio	Partenza	6 Gennaio
Partenza	13 Gennaio	Arrivo	15 Gennaio
Arrivo	22 Gennaio	Partenza	20 Gennaio
Partenza	27 Gennaio	Arrivo	29 Gennaio

4. La sistemazione dei passeggeri non sarà comoda dato che sarà necessario mettere della gente in un corridoio, essendo i posti cabina solamente trenta. Queste persone dovranno provvedere alla loro biancheria da letto e a portare a bordo anche il cibo. Non ci sono cuccette nei corridoi e i passeggeri dovranno viaggiare senza comodità. Le donne e i bambini non dovranno essere sistemati nei corridoi.

5. L'ordine di precedenza delle persone, i prezzi dei biglietti e le tariffe per i carichi sono i seguenti:

Precedenza numero uno : riservato pel personale e pei funzionari del servizio Alleato.

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Precedenza numero due : riservato pel personale del servizio Italiano

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Precedenza numero due : riservato pel personale del servizio Italiano.

Precedenza numero tre : riservato per tutte le altre persone Italiane.

6. La precedenza numero uno sarà assegnata dal Commissario Regionale per la Sardegna e dal Commissario Regionale della Regione Sud. Le richieste dovranno essere fatte o all'uno o all'altro dei due Commissari Regionali. Le precedenze numero due o tre saranno assegnate in Cagliari dall'Alto Commissario per la Sardegna, e per il Continente dalla Prefettura di Napoli. Le richieste per le precedenze numero due e tre potranno essere fatte a qualsiasi prefettura, che le inoltrerà rispettivamente alle autorità di Cagliari e di Napoli. Il Governo Italiano provvederà a dividere in sotto precedenze tutte le persone ricadenti sotto la precedenza numero tre.

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7. I Commissari Regionali della Sardegna e della Regione Sud si riserveranno dieci biglietti cabina della precedenza numero uno, per il personale e i funzionari del servizio Alleato, fino a due giorni prima della data di partenza; se essi non verranno ritirati saranno resi disponibili ai passeggeri della categoria numero due o tre a seconda di come suggerirà la situazione.

8. Per ogni viaggio non saranno venduti più di 250 biglietti, dato che questo è il numero totale di passeggeri che può essere sistemato.

9. Per assicurarsi che il numero di biglietti venduti non superi il numero di passeggeri che può essere trasportato, l'Alto Commissario in Cagliari e la Prefettura di Napoli istituiranno un unico posto per la vendita dei biglietti rispettivamente nei porti di Cagliari e Napoli. I biglietti saranno venduti solo il giorno della partenza e unicamente ai passeggeri muniti di regolare permesso di precedenza.

10. I Commissari Regionali della Regione Sud e della Sardegna sono incaricati di mettersi in contatto rispettivamente colla Prefettura di Napoli e coll'Alto Commissario per la Sardegna, per assicurare il regolare svolgimento del servizio, e di tenersi in stretto collegamento coi rispettivi Comandanti di Porto, affinchè questi predispongano le regolari operazioni di imbarco e di sbarco.

11. I prezzi dei biglietti saranno di:

L. 2000 per i passeggeri di cabina

L. 1000 per i passeggeri di ponte

12. Le tariffe per i carichi saranno di:

L. 3614 per tonnellata per un carico di Ia classe
L. 2730 per tonnellata per un carico di 2a classe
L. 2025 per tonnellata per un carico di 3a classe
L. 1283 per tonnellata per un carico di 4a classe

Queste cifre possono essere soggette ai cambiamenti in qualsiasi momento e senza preavviso.

13. Le modalità per le richieste per carichi saranno quelle emanate nel Memorandum di Spedizione No.2 della Commissione Alleata.

Per ordine del Rear Admiral Stone

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Per ordine del Rear Admiral Stone

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

(13)

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/3/74/Tn/S

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: SS/ABBAZIA

TO : Capt.Smith
Southern Region
Naples

As you are aware, a regular service from Cagliari to Naples is to be initiated, starting on 28 December from Cagliari. The SS/ABBAZIA has been selected for this ferry service and will do two round trips per month. Her capacity will be about 250 personnel and 1000 tons cargo.

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It will probably be necessary on occasion to use a part of the available accomodation for movement of Italian Military personnel. The vessel will be given priority of berthing. Maximum cargo to be loaded at each Port during the time available will be nominated by CO-GE-NA for each voyage, with copies to 1045 ALCOM & AFHQ.

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A new shipping memorandum No.3 is in course of preparation giving full details as to personnel priorities and embarkation arrangements.

The bidding procedure for cargo will remain the same as that set out in A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.2, all bids for movement from Naples being sent to you from this Headquarters.

for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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TN S/C 43206

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Subject : Communications - SARDINIA to ITALY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS (12)

G-4(Mov & Tn) 2/273/GDM

To : HQ Allied Commission, ROME.

27 Nov 44

Tel: FREEDOM 229

Reply to Sardinia (11)

1. A regular service from SARDINIA to NAPLES is to be initiated starting approx 25 Dec.

2. The SS 'ABRAZZIA' has been selected for this ferry service and will do two round trips per month. Her capacity will be about 250 personnel and 1,000 tons cargo.

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4. The cruisers, at present operating on the ferry, will probably be removed after priority list 7 is complete, i.e. the end of December. If, however, a back log occurs or a special trip of the cruisers is required, application should be made to AFHQ.

5. Rates and fares, freight to be carried and freight charges will be advised by COCENA.

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(H.D. PHILIP) Lt Col
for Brigadier,
DQMG (Mov & Tn).

Copy to : G-3 (Foreign-)
G-5
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
E C O N O M I C S E C T I O N

EF/gd

Tele : 472704

1December 1944

Our ref.: AC/3/37/Tn/S

SUBJECT : Communication with the Mainland from Sardinia

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

Reference your letters RC/2/4 dated 13 October and 21 November.

APHQ inform us that a regular service from Sardinia to Naples is to be initiated starting approx 28 Dec.

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Our ref.: AG/3/57/Tn/3

SUBJECT : Communication with the Mainland from Sardinia

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sardinia Region.

Reference your letters RC/E/4 dated 13 October and 21 November.

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By Command of Commodore Stone

A.C. ANTOLINI
Acting Head
Economic Section

Copy to : COS
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Priority of Mov. Div.
Ministry of Comms.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel:478704
Our Ref: AC/3/56/Tn/S

29 November 1944

MEMO to Col.D.E. Adams

SUBJECT: Passenger Service between SARDINIA & MAINLAND

Reference Economic Section's Memo of 27 November.

The following are copies of the relevant correspondence on this subject:-

1) ACC/Tn/S/3 of 28 October.
TO : G - 4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ
SUBJECT: Weekly passenger service Sardinia to Naples and Sicily.

1. Attached is copy of letter received from Regional Commissioner Sardinia.

2. It is considered that a regular passenger service to the mainland is essential for the economic life of the country.

3. The Regional Commissioner has been signalled requesting numbers of civilians it is estimated require to travel on essential business and this information will be passed to you in due course.

A.G. ANTOLINI
Acting Chief
Economic Section

2) Signal 5866 of 2 November.

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3) Here also is a copy of the signal we received from AFHQ (Mov. & Tn.) F.58801 of 27 November stating that SS/ABAZZIA has been nominated for this passenger service.

TO: ALCOM
FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED
F 58801
NOV 271119

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No.36/27
PRIORITY
CITE FHGDM

CONFIDENTIAL
SS ABAZZIA IS BEING ALLOCATED APPROX 25 DECEMBER TO RUN A FERRY SERVICE SARDINIA TO NAPLES TWICE PER MONTH. CRUISERS WILL PROBABLY BE WITHDRAWN AFTER LIST 7 PERSONNEL ARE COMPLETE BUT CAN BE APPLIED FOR THROUGH AFHQ TO ACCOMPLISH SPECIAL LIFTS.AGREED.

Further details on this vessel are awaited from AFHQ.

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J/Comdr.E.PEARNSIDES
Shipping, Ports &
Warehousing Division
Tn.Sub.Comm.

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED
F 58801
NOV 271119

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

21 November 1944

REFERENCE: HQ/2141

SUBJECT: Communications with the Mainland - Sea.

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission (Office of the Chief of Staff)

1. I am again writing about the very important question of communications between SARDINIA and the Mainland, which was raised in my letter HQ/2141 of 13th October.

2. The Italian cruiser service is practically finished and my H.Q. is receiving numerous requests for sea passage to the Mainland. You recently asked by signal for the number of essential business personnel who should be permitted to travel on essential business needs. We replied to the effect that 500 per month from CAGLIARI to NAPLES and 100 a month from CAGLIARI to PALERMO was the minimum number.

3. In addition to the essential business men, we have numerous Italian Government Officials and a few Allied Service personnel, an example being the members of the Demographic Survey who have completed their work in the selected Communes but cannot get back to ROME as there have, as yet, been no means of transport.

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6. Apart from miners there is generally a seasonal movement of charcoal burners over to SARDINIA for the winter months. It is understood that charcoal is required on the Mainland, and wood is available in SARDINIA. A regular service would provide facilities for some men to come across.

7. I consider, therefore, that the institution of a regular weekly steamer service between CAGLIARI and NAPLES and a schooner service between CAGLIARI and SICILY is now an urgent necessity.

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J. A. C. PENNYCUICK.

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Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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24 NOV 1944
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478704
Our Ref: AC/3/48/Tn/S

25 November 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly passenger service, Sardinia to Naples and Sicily

TO : G - 4 (Mov. & Tn.) AFHQ.

Further to our letter ACC.Tn/3/3 dated 28 October and our signal 8566 of the 7th Nov. and signal 7002 of the 24th Nov. requesting that a regular passenger service be established between Sardinia and the mainland of Italy and Sicily.

Attached is a further letter of the subject from Regional Commissioner of Sardinia.

It is requested that this matter be given urgent consideration.

D.S. ADAMS
Colonel, C.E.
Director, Tn.Sub.Comm.

Copy to: G - 5 AFHQ.

Enclosure:1
(copy of letter from
Reg.Comm.Sardinia)

Answered at 521039

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ALCOM FROM ADAMS

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PARA ONE PD FURTHER OUR LETTER ABLE CHARLIE CHARLIE TN SLANT SUGAR SLANT THREE OF TWO EIGHT OCTOBER AND SIGNAL FIVE EIGHT SIX SIX OF TWO NOVEMBER PD

PAREN TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG FROM ALCOM PAREN

REQUEST CRUISER BE RETAINED FOR PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN SARDINIA AND MAINLAND TILL A REPLACEMENT IS PROVIDED PD

Dis Lumberge to pha AFHQ with this reply.
Dr Taylor did he get answer from Director of Naval
of size of vessel for this passage service

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

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

23 November 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Passenger Service - Sardinia to Naples and Sicily.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

In reference to paragraph 3 of your ACC/TN/S/3 undated, may the information as to actual numbers required to travel be furnished at this time.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
24 NOV 1944
A. F. C.

F. J. SLAUGHTER
Captain, A.G.D.

Info given ok (4)

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CWO. U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

28 October 1944

Tele. 478704

Our Ref. : ACC TN/S/3

TO : G - 4 (Mov. & Tn.)
AFHQ

SUBJECT : Weekly passenger service Sardinia to Naples and Sicily. Sec (52)

1. Attached is copy of letter received from Regional Commissioner Sardinia.

2. It is considered that a regular passenger service to the mainland is essential for the economic life of the country.

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A.G. ANTOLINI
Acting Chief
Economic Section

ENCLOSURE 1 :

Copy of letter of Regional Commissioner Sardinia

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

13 October 1944

SUBJECT : Communications with the Mainland - Sea.

REFERENCE: HQ/2341

1. The subject of communications with the mainland has been under discussion with the High Commissioner. So far, these have been maintained by a fairly regular service of Italian cruisers taking Italian Army personnel to NAPLES and bringing back passengers and goods to SARDINIA.

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3. Until recently Naval restrictions on shipping in the Mediterranean have been such that no regular service has been a question of practical planning. The Naval situation has, however, changed and I hope that the time is now ripe to encourage more regular inter-Island trade and trade between SARDINIA and the mainland. A regular means of communication between the Island and the mainland will also have an excellent moral effect on the people.

4. I attach as an appendix the tonnage of goods and materials dealt with in the last few months. It will be seen that, exclusive of foodstuffs, which must remain under strict A.C.C. control, and exclusive of coal, also at present under AFHQ control, there has been some movement of goods, and a considerable tonnage is in prospect.

5. I recommend, therefore, that from next month, i.e. when the cruiser service comes to an end, a regular weekly service should be instituted by steamer between CAGLIARI and NAPLES and by motor schooner between CAGLIARI and SICILY. May this please be given urgent consideration.

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(signed) J.A.C. PENNYCUICK,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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SARDINIA REGION FREEDOM (INFO)

ACC FROM ADAMS
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28 OCT 44

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CONFIDENTIAL PD REFERENCE YOUR LETTER HQ TWO ONE FOUR ONE DATED ONE THREE OCT SUBJECT REGULAR WEEKLY SERVICE TO NAPLES AND SICILY PD PAREN TO SARDINIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TO FREEDOM CITE FHGDM FROM ACC FROM ADAMS SIGNED STONE PAREN PLEASE REPORT NUMBERS OF CIVILIAN REQUIRED TO TRAVEL MONTHLY ON ESSENTIAL BUSINESS TO EACH DESTINATION PD NEW SUBJECT REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL SIX SIX TWO DATED TWO SIX OCT PD VESSEL WILL BE NOMINATED IN DUE COURSE TO LIFT YOUR BIDS PD YOUR OTHER POINTS ARE BEING DISCUSSED WITH INTERESTED PARTIES PD

Answered at (31)

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NICHOLAS RIOLBINO
CWO. U.S.A.
ASST. ADJUTANT

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SARDINIA REGION

13 October 1944

TO: Headquarters, A.C.C. (Office of the Chief of Staff)

SUBJECT: Communications with the Mainland - Sea.

REFERENCE: HQ/2141

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4. I attach as an appendix the tonnage of goods and materials dealt with in the last few months. It will be seen that, exclusive of foodstuffs, which must remain under strict A.C.C. control, and exclusive of coal, also at present under A.F.H.Q. control, there has been some movement of goods, and a considerable tonnage is in prospect.

5. I recommend, therefore, that from next month, i.e. when the cruiser service comes to an end, a regular weekly service should be instituted by steamer between CAGLIARI and NAPLES and by motor schooner between CAGLIARI and SICILY. May this please be given urgent consideration.

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(Signed) J. A. C. PENNYCUICK,
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Total Monthly Tonnage Shipped from SARDINIA to the MAINLAND and SICILY.

MONTH	FOR CIVILIAN	FOR ARMED FORCES
February	27 Tons	-
March	-	-
April	120 Tons	-
May	1150 "	170 Tons
June	600 "	200 "
July	168 "	300 "
August	1416 "	240 "
September	-	2100 "
Total	3481 Tons	3010 Tons

To be Shipped

October	2994 Tons	2500 Tons
November	4880 "	1000 "

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