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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Transportation Sub-Commission

AMMC/15

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. CAMPIDOGGIO for July, August and September 1945.

NAPLES/PALERMONAPLES/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")

CAGLIARINAPLES

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

PALERMONAPLES

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For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B. Thomas

M.B. THOMAS

Colonel,
Deputy Director

Dist. as for AC Shipping
Instruction No. 13

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Transportation Sub-Commission

AC/501/54/Tn.3

10 June 1945

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A.C. SHIPPING INSTRUCTION NO.13Cagliari/Naples/Palermo Ferry Service1. GENERAL

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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
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Use of bed linen etc. Lit. 200 per person
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	" 3.406	" "
4th	" 2.343	" "

<u>Naples/Palermo</u>		
1st Class	Lit.	4.867 per ton
2nd "	"	3.753 " "
3rd "	"	2.757 " "
4th "	"	1.690 " "
<u>Cagliari/Naples</u>		
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2nd "	"	4.095 " "
3rd "	"	3.038 " "
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These figures are subject to 4% tax.

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For the Chief Commissioner :

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For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B. Thomas
M.B. THOMAS
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 AC Warehouse Officer Livorno
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 " " Sicilia (10)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 324
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref. : AG/611/17/Tn3

25 May 1945

SUBJECT : Allocation of Schooners/Passing Channel.

TO : Mr. Officer Mr. Brooks
AG Naples Command.

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1. Reference your letter n° 74/Shipping/27 dated 23 May 1945 in reply to our AG/611/16/Tn3 dated 19 May 1945.

2. It is not considered sufficient for you to state that neither you nor any representative on the Schooner Control Board knew anything about the statement reputed to have been made by the USMC Schooner Control Board to the Italian Ministry of Transport that certain schooners were to be allocated for the regular transport of cargoes from Sicily to the mainland.

3. Please confirm that no member of the Schooner Control Board has in fact issued such a statement and that the statement issued by the Italian Ministry of Transport is incorrect.

For the Chief Commissioner :

G.B. Coffey
G.B. COFFEY
Major, I.R.

Copy to : Shipping Sub-Commission
Gov. Rail
Ministry of Marine
(attn. Dept. Post)

file 1307

MEDITERRANEAN SCHOONER CONTROL BOARD,
NAPLES.

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76/Shipping/87

23 May 45

SUBJECT : Allocation of Schooners - Messina Channel.
TO : Shipping Branch,
(Att: Major G.B. Godfrey),
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q. Allied Commission.

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1. Reference your AC/611/16/Tn 3 dated 19 May 45.
 2. The Service referred to, Messina to Reggio has never been discussed in my presence.
 3. M.W.T. representative on Schooner Control Board has advised me that he knows nothing of such a plan.

Charles C Crooks

CHARLES C. CROOKS,
Medbo Schooner Control Board,
Naples.

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ALCOM SICILIA REGION RPTD MWT NAPLES FREEDOM CITE FHGDM MEDBO
SCHOONER CONTROL BOARD

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23 MAY 45

PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD YOUR EASY BLANT ONE NINE FOUR SIX OF TWO THREE MAY NOT TO
ALL REFERS PD ~~XXXX~~ ~~YH~~ UNDERSTAND CAMPIDOLIO OPERATING ^{UNDER} CONTROL OF
COGERA IN SIMILAR MANNER TO ABBAZIA ~~YH~~ PASSENGER PERMITS BEING ISSUED
BY PREFETTURA AND PRIORITIES ALIOTED BY ALTO COMMISSARIO PD
PAREN TO ALCOM SICILIA REGION FOR LYNCH RPTD MWT NAPLES FOR GIBSON
GRAHAM FREEDOM CITE FHGDM MEDBO SCHOONER CONTROL BOARD FROM HQ ALCOM
ACTFT PAREN

PARA TWO PD FOR MWT NAPLES PD WE ARE STILL AWAITING DIRECTIVE
REGARDING CONDITIONS REGULATING CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT
REQUESTED AT MEDBO MEETING NUMBER ONE ZERO NINE PD MINUTE ONE NINE
NINE SIX REFERS PD AS VESSEL ALREADY OPERATING MOST IMPORTANT
APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS BE ISSUED IMMEDIATELY PD

COPY TO : SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION

TRANSPORTATION SG

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

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Jph 22

Originator's Reference: ALICE REC 360

Date/Time of Origin: MAY 22 1453Z

Message Centre No: E/1946

Date Time Rec'd: MAY 23 0830Z

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALICE SICILIA LYNCH

TO : HQ ALICE TN SC

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Subject new passenger service CAMPANOTIC PALERMO NAPLES
return via CAGIARI. WHE(?) is to exercise control, if any, of
passenger and freight.

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Action - Tn SC 2

Info - A/President

Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ref. : AG/611/16/Tn 3

19 May 1945

SUBJECT : Allocation of Schooners - Messina Channel.

TO : Transportation Officer Mr. Crooks,
A.S.G. Naples Command.

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1. Attached is copy of a letter received from the Italian Ministry of Transport dated 12 May.

2. It is requested that you advise this H. . if there is any truth in the statement made in paragraph 1 of this letter; that it is proposed to allocate schooners on a regular shuttle between Sicily and the Mainland.

3. It is pointed out, that to operate schooner ferries from Messina to Reggio will not assist the general transportation problem so long as rail movement from Calabria is controlled by A.R.H.S. P.Q.M. conferences, and there can be no guarantee of wagons nor can unbid traffic be permitted.

4. Until such time as this control is effective, any schooners ~~allocated~~ ^{allocated} for traffic ex Sicily must operate to a port in or near consumption area.

For the Chief Commissioner :

G.B. GORDON,
Major I.R.

Copy to : Shipping Sub-Commission.

Nov. Rail.

Ministry of Marine (attn. Capt. Tosi).

agreed
Nov Rail

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Ministry of Transports
I.S.R. General Direction

NOTE 12 MAG 1945

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Subject:

Freight movement by auxiliary
vessels through Messina Channel

Allied Commission
Transportation Sub Commission

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5. Please kindly examine the matter and let us know your decisions.

Director General
Signed: Di Raimondo

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8 copies please.

Mar. Shipping

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MINISTERO DEI TRASPORTI
MINISTERO
DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

FERROVIE DELLO STATO
DIREZIONE GENERALE

Roma, 12 MAG. 1945 194 - A.

N. M. 312/12965/10 Ma 11/1007
H270/HH

Al N. del

OGGETTO

Servizio traghetto merci
nello stretto di Messina
con motovelieri.-

Commissione Alleata
Sotto Commissione Trasporti

R O M A

ALLEGATI N.

- 1) - Il nostro Ministero della Marina comunica che il Medbo Schooners Control Board si sarebbe dichiarato in linea di massima favorevole all'assegnazione di qualche motoveliero per il trasporto di merci dalla Sicilia al Continente con carattere continuativo.-
- 2) - La concessione è subordinata però alla condizione che tale servizio venga esercitato da questa Amministrazione.-
- 3) - Il provvedimento riveste notevole importanza per la economia nazionale e particolarmente per la Sicilia.-
- 4) - Questa Amministrazione però non può prendere in considerazione la proposta se non ha la certezza di poter fare assegnamento su sette o otto carri al giorno per provvedere al proseguimento dei trasporti in arrivo a Reggio Calabria col predetto motoveliero.-
- 5) - Si prega pertanto cotesta Sotto Commissione a voler esaminare benevolmente la questione e fare conoscere le proprie decisioni.-

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

Ugo Ricciardi

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

AMMcG/bm

3 April 1945

AC/611/15/TN.3

SUBJECT : S.S. "CAMPIDOGGIO" for Sicily/Mainland,
Ferry Service.

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

1. With reference to this Headquarters letter AC/611/8/Tn.3, dated 5 March '45 addressed to Regional Commissioners Sicilia Region and Lazio-Umbria Region, copy to you.

2. Regions have agreed without comment to the schedule outlined therein. Will you please therefore let us have a preliminary directive on the setting up of the S.S. "CAMPIDOGGIO" for this service as soon as possible.

For the Chief Commissioner :

M.B. Thomas
M.B. THOMAS, Colonel,
Deputy Director.

1300

20th March, 1945.

To: G-4, Mov. & Tr. (Br.),
A.F.B.A.

From: Secretary, MIBRO.

Sicily Ferry Service.
U.S. "CAPT. LEE J. D.".

With reference to your letter 4/36/14/ GEM, of 18th March, 1945, which was discussed at the MIBRO Meeting this morning, the Board were unable to allocate another vessel to the above service, but agreed that the accommodation of U.S. "CAPT. LEE J. D." be increased to carry under "picnic" conditions, the maximum number of passengers within the margins of safety.

Arrangements are being made for the work to be commenced upon completion of her present voyage.

Margaret Lichie
Assistant Secretary,
MIBRO.

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Copy to: G-5.
W.S.A.
H.A. Allied Commission,
Tr. Sub-Commission. ✓

6/1/45³

Subject : SICILY FERRY SERVICE -
S.S. "CAMPIDUGLIO".

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-4(MOV & TN) 5/86/11/GDM

To : M.W.T.R.

18 Mar 45

Tel: FREEDOM 302

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1. An application has been made by HQ Allied Commission for a vessel to maintain a regular Ferry service between SICILY and the Mainland.
2. It is understood that the s.s. "CAMPIDUGLIO" is under consideration for this service with accommodation for 70 passengers.
3. SICILY Region have intimated that they expect about 5000 applications for passages each month.
4. H.Q. Allied Commission have requested that if a vessel is allocated, the passenger accommodation be increased to carry at least 250 passengers under 'PICNIC' conditions on each voyage, similar to the ABBAZIA on the Sardinia/Mainland service.
5. Your views would be appreciated.

GS/EN

G. Sweet
G. SWEET, Capt.,
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

Copy to: G-5.
WSA.
HQ Allied Commission.
Tn Sub Commission.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

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FILE : RES 500. 10 March 1945.
SUBJECT : Sicily/Italy Ferry Service.
TO : A.C. H.Q. for Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Thank you for your letter Ref. AC/611/8/Tn 3. of the 5 March 1945, relating to suggested ferry service should it be possible to lay on such a service between Sicily and the Mainland.

2. We have examined the suggested programme and have no comments, beyond the fact that such a service would be very welcome.

3. It is presumed that should it be possible to implement this service, instructions will be issued as to who will control such boats, whether it will be for passengers, and/or goods; whether it will be linked up with the present schooner system in any way, whether if goods are carried, bids will have to be put in, in the usual way, or if the local administration, say the Chamber of Commerce, will be responsible for cargoes, etc.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER :-

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H. DRING
Major
Director, Economics
and Supply Division.

for Brigadier M. CARR CBE. MC.
Absent on duty.

12 MAR 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our ref.: AC/611/9/Tn 3

9 March 1946

SUBJECT : Sicily/Italy Ferry Service

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sicily Region
Lazio-Umbria Region

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Total	62 persons	1296
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Lazio-Umbria Region

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G-5 AFHQ

Shipping Sub-Comm.

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Medbo Schooner Control Board for Capt. Smith

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Our Ref: AG/611/8/En.3.

3 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Experts from Sicily to the Mainland

TO : Regional Commissioner
Sicilia Region

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Enclosed is translation of a letter addressed by
the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, Syracuse,
to this Sub-Commission.

The suggestion for a steamer or steamers to circulate
round the island picking up cargo for the Mainland from the
principal ports is a good one; but owing to the present shortage
of shipping, not much hope can be held out of putting the
suggestion into operation in the near future.

The matter is being taken up with MEDCO.
By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

[Signature]
ERRITT H. TAYLOR

Enclosure: Translation

[Signature]

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
APO 394
MOTOR TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

MT/3938/12

7 March 1945

TO : A.C. Headquarters
Transportation Sub-Commission

SUBJECT : Sicily - Italy Ferry Service

REF. : Your AC/611/8/Tn.3

1. No Comments.

M.C. McCarty Capt
J.A.N. GILES
for Lt. Colonel
Chief of Division

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MT/3938/12

7 March 1945

TO : A.C. Headquarters
Transportation Sub-Commission

SUBJECT : Sicily - Italy Ferry Service

REF. : Your AC/611/8/Tn.3

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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10 March 1945

AC/611/10/TM.3

SUBJECT : Sicily Ferry Service - S.S. CAMPIDOGLIO.

TO : G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ.

1. Reference telephone conversation of 8 March on passenger accommodation S.S. CAMPIDOGLIO (Capt. Sweet/Major Mc Clure speaking).
2. Sicily Region have informed us that they expect about 5000 applications for passages per month. If this is so, a passenger carrying capacity of 60-70 will not be nearly sufficient to meet the demand.
3. It is requested therefore that the matter be taken up with a view to increasing passenger accommodations, under picnic conditions, so that she can carry at least 250 passengers, in a similar manner to the S.S. ABBAZIA on the Sardinia/Mainland run.

For the Chief Commissioner:

MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

Copy to:- G-5, AFHQ.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
Transportation Sub-Commission

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File No: 1- 20/611/8/2n.3.

5 March 1943

SUBJECT: Sicily / Italy Ferry Service.

TO: Regional Commissioner
Sicilia Region
Lazio - Umbria Region

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D 1 to D 5	at Palermo
D 7 to D 13	at Civitavecchia
D 16 to D 18	at Syracuse
D 19 to D 22	at Catania
D 24 to D 29	at Civitavecchia

2. Please let this office have, your comments & suggestions.

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone

Copy to: G-4 AFHQ

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WFL Shipping Sub-Commission
WFL Radio Schooner Control

Board for Capt. Smith.

WARREN H. TAYLOR
Director

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File NO 1- AG/611/8/TA.3.

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Board for Capt. Smith.

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MARSHAL H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tele: 534

Our ref: AC/611/7/Tn.3

15 February 1945

SUBJECT : Schooner "IL DIRCE"

TO : Regional Commissioner
Southern Region
(Att. Tn. Officer for Capt. Smith) *GA*

Below is copy of the letter from Abruzzi-Marche
Region for your information.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE/

H. H. Taylor
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

Copy to:
Ports & Warehouse Div.

10 : HQ, AC, Transportation Sub-Commission (~~Economics & Supply~~).
Copy to: R.C.T.O.

FROM : HQ, AC/AMG Abruzzi-Marche Region (Economics & Supply).

REF : R5/518/142.

DATE : February 12th, 1945.

SUBJECT : Transportation.

1. It has just been reported that the schooner "IL DORCE" was lost in the bay of Porto Civitanova in January 45, with a load of 310 quintals salt.

2. The local Monopolio dâ Stato allege that this was due to the "negligence of the proprietor and maritime authorities" but no details are known in this office.

3. Above is forwarded for information in case the news has not reached you.

For the Regional Commissioner:

D. V. Shaw Kennedy
D.V. SHAW-KENNEDY *Can*
Captain,
Regional Supply Officer.



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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: RTC 142
Date/Time of Origin: JAN 23/1815

Message Centre No: 0/ 9150
Date Time Rec'd: JAN 24/0845
Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALCOM SICILIA REGION (CARR)
TO : HEADQUARTERS ALCOM TRANSPORTATION INCREMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION

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1. Passenger service PALERMO-NAPLES by ship would relieve the rail transportation problem here.
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*Telephoned to Sgt. Green
1430 hours 24 Jan '45*

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TRANSLATION

Chamber of Commerce, Industry
and Agriculture
Siracusa

23 January 1943

Ref.: No. 378/XIII/4

To : HQ.AC.- In.S/C. Rome

Subject : Export for the mainland.

The situation in which are at present the exporters of this province and generally of the Sicilian region, is strictly connected with the problem of transports. While for some plain reasons the exportation by rail-road is totally suspended, which until some time ago had still a limited operation with rail-cars according to the rolling-stock availability, the exportation by sea is not adequate to the requirements of the Island as well as to the necessities of the regions of the mainland, which in this moment have to import goods and commodities which are really indispensable.

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Besides all this, the port of Siracusa has not been seriously damaged by the war, and it is quite good for its natural situation and for the drafts, which permit to quick loading operations, which do not require long stays of steamers.

After what we have reported hereto, this Chamber hopes that your Commission will surely examine that problem, the solution of which may help a lot the present Sicilian export situation.

Truly yours

The Commissioner

(sgd. Dr. Luciano Carrisi)

Siracusa, 23 Gennaio 1945
Telefoni: 1018 - 1047

Ministero dell'Agricoltura

CONSIGLIO PROVINCIALE DELLE CORPORAZIONI
SIRACUSA

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLIATA
Sottocommissione Trasporti

R O M A
Via Venezia

Prot. N. 378/XIII/4

Allegati N.

OGGETTO: Esportazione per il continente.

La situazione nello quale attualmente si trovano gli esportatori di questa provincia, e in genere della regione siciliana, è delineata, in questa parte, dal problema dei trasporti. Mentre, per ovvie ragioni contingenti, è totalmente sospesa da alcuni mesi la esportazione via terra, che pure fino a qualche tempo fa poteva avere uno sbocco, per quanto limitato alla scarsa disponibilità del materiale rotabile, a mezzo dei carri ferroviari, quella, invece, via mare, sebbene aperta, non è adeguata, nel suo ristretto movimento attuale, ai bisogni dell'Isola come delle regioni della penisola che hanno in questo momento interesse ad importare da noi merci e esportare di prima necessità. Con ciò noto, il movimento di esportazione via mare per il continente si svolge a mezzo di piccoli natanti a motori o a vela (questi ultimi però con un raggio di irradiazione che non va oltre Reggio Calabria), e in proporzione assai limitato, essendo lunga e complessa la procedura per l'assunzione dei relativi motovelieri. Solo da recente, come è noto a cotesta On. Commissione, è stato istituito un servizio a mezzo di piroscafi, che, per Siracusa, ha comportato il primo e, finora, unico viaggio nel mese in corso, trasportando nostra mercanzia a Civitavecchia. L'esperimento, ottimamente riuscito, è valso a dare agli esportatori la speranza che, nei limiti delle presenti possibilità, possono ripetersi tali viaggi a breve scadenza e magari istituirsi delle linee regolari, come con il continente, servite da piroscafi, settimanali o, **1287** quindicinali quasi regolarmente.

Da ciò questa Camera trae l'auspicio, rivolgendone la formula di posto a cotesta On. Commissione, perchè venga studiata la possibilità di un regolare traffico siciliano ad effettuarsi, entro un determinato e adeguato periodo di tempo, da piroscafi che servano i principali porti dell'Isola per l'esportazione di merci verso il continente, con una toccata a Siracusa. Come è noto, da cotesta On. Commissione, il porto di Siracusa è sempre stato lo sbocco principale del suo vasto e fertilissimo retroterra, specialmente per quanto ne si preleva dal suolo in genere. Dalle statistiche economiche, pubblicate in anni precedenti, è agevole constatare che i più importanti prodotti sono, quelli di agrumi, le mandorle, i vini, le carrube, ortaggi etc., sono inoltre rappresentati in questa provincia, le olive, nel presente momento di crisi

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CONSIGLIO PROVINCIALE DELLE CORPORAZIONI
SIRACUSA

Siracusa,
Teléfono: 1018 - 1657

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eccessivamente la sosta.

Dopo quanto brevemente si è esposto, questo Camera ha fiducia che cotesto On. Commissione voglia benevolmente esaminare il problema cui prospettata soluzione potrà risolvere le condizioni, come si trova attualmente l'esportazione siciliana.

Con riguardo. =

IL COMMISSARIO
(Dr. Lucio Compisi)

GEA/Be

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SECRET

Extract from:

MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING BOARD

No. 95

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT 1100 HOURS ON 16TH JANUARY, 1945.

1644. SERVICE BETWEEN SICILY AND THE MAINLAND. Ref. 1640.

In order that a suitable vessel could be allocated for this service, A.C. were asked to ascertain the extent of traffic involved and the amount of passengers and cargo likely to be carried, which Major McClure undertook to do.

Major McClure.

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TELEPHONED SIGNAL.

FROM ALCON SICILIA.

REF: RTO 142 23 Jan 45.

RESTRICTED. Passenger services Salerno Naples by ship would relieve the rail transportation problem here. Applications for permits to travel to mainland received here amount to 5,000 per month.

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Subject : Ferry Service SICILY -
MAINLAND.

To : H.Q. Allied Commission.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-4 (MOV & TN) 5/86/9/GDM

10 Jan 45

Tel: FREEDOM 229

1. Your AG/29/53/Tn/S of 6 Jan has been received and it is hoped shortly to give you a full reply.

VK/EW

V. King
V. KING, Maj.,
for Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Tel: 478702

Our Ref: AG/29/52/Tn/3

6 January 1945

SUBJECT: Ferry Service Sicily and Mainland

TO : G - 4 (Mov & Tn)
Allied Force Headquarters

Herewith copy of letter No. RC/560 dated 28 Dec. '44, addressed to this Headquarters by Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region.

It is agreed that a regular Ferry Service between Sicilia and the Mainland on the lines of the Sardinia Mainland Ferry would be most beneficial.

It is reported that a small passenger steamer with some cargo capacity, called the LAMPEDUSA, a sister-ship of the USTICA has just completed repairs at Palermo.

Will you please investigate the possibility of this ship being used for such a service, or alternatively inform this Headquarters whether there are available any other similar small ships.

W. J. Sierp
W. J. SIERP,
Lt. Colonel, R.A.
for MERRITT E. TAYLOR
Director

Copy to: G - 5 AFHQ.
HQ. Sicilia Region
" Southern Region

Enclosure: Letter No. RC/560.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

OFFICE: REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
PHONE: 15555 EXT 4

FILE:RC/560

28 Dec 1944

SUBJECT: Ferry Service - Sicily and Mainland
TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
R O M E

1. With reference to A.C. Shipping Memorandum No.3 of 15 DEC 44 which sets out details of the Ferry Service between SARDINIA and NAPLES, I strongly recommend that consideration should be given to the institution of a similar service between SICILY and the MAINLAND.

As you may be aware, the High Commissioner has submitted to his Government a scheme under which a number of schooners should be placed permanently at the disposal of the High Commissioner. Appreciating that any such scheme would cut directly across the existing Cogena scheme I have not given it any support. The High Commissioner's letter to the Italian Government was dated 23 NOV 44 and so far as I know there have not been any results.

2. A regular Ferry Service between this Island and the Mainland such as has been instituted for SARDINIA would be of enormous benefit to SICILY for various reasons of which the main ones are as follows:-

a. It would dispose of the contention that SICILY being an island is at a serious disadvantage in regard to disposing of its surplus produce and of obtaining any requirements that may be available from the Mainland.

b. SICILY's main surpluses are in perishable goods such as fruits. To export such commodities successfully requires a regular standard service. Under the present system the export of fruits in schooners is a most difficult and complicated business.

c. It should ease both passenger and freight traffic on the railways both in SICILY and on the Mainland.

d. It would greatly facilitate movement of officials and traders. At present road and railway travel between SICILY and important centres such as NAPLES and ROME is carried out under most difficult conditions and probably

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leads to irregularities.

e. If SARDINIA has a service and there is not one for SICILY it may be contended that uniform and equitable treatment is not being given to SICILY.

3. If the shipping situation permits it I suggest that consideration should be given to a scheme which would allow of regular sailings from TRAPANI via PALERMO to NAPLES and another service from TRAPANI via PORT EMPEDOCLE and the Eastern ports to NAPLES. It would also be advantageous if the PALERMO-NAPLES service could make periodical calls at CAGLIARI (SARDINIA).

4. I have discussed this matter with the High Commissioner and he is strongly in favor of some such scheme. I should be glad to know at an early date whether favorable consideration can be given to this proposal.

M Carr Brigadier

M. CARR
Brigadier
Regional Commissioner

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Copy TO: Transportation Subcommittee

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