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WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL
AUG. 1945 - FEB. 1946

Subject : Disposal of W.D. Materials
Incorporated in Railway
Construction Works.

Military Railway Service,
Italy.

Tel : Wirebox 3351.
Ref : Tn.A.4/235.

12 February 1946.

To : Director General, I.M.R.

✓ Copy to : Mr. Le Gendre, I.M.R.
Tn. Sub-Commission, A.C.
(Rail Division).
D.D.Tn. Trieste.
Tn. 2.
Tn. F.

1. Further to my memo of even reference dated 7 February 1946.
2. In view of the fact that the bridging listed in Appendix 'A' to my a/m memo under job numbers 72/2 and 73/1 is located in Venezia Giulia Zone 'A', it cannot therefore be taken over by D.C.I.B.M.
3. Will you please therefore, delete all reference to these two jobs from the a/m appendix 'A'.

[Signature]
(J. INGALLS).
Major, R.M.,
for Brigadier,
Director, Military Railway Service.

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Ing. Lo Cigno
Capo Servizio Lavori
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per c oscenza

28/1/46
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Subject : Disposal of WD Materials Incorporated
in Railway Reconstruction Works?

TO : Tn. Sub-Comm. A.C.
(Rail Division)

Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.

Tel : Firebox 934I
Outside Line 843236.

copy to : Mov & Tn., GHQ CMF.
TN.F:
TN.2:

Ref : Tn.A.4/236.

25 January 1946.

1. Further to Tn.A.2/I27/I2 dated 26 Sept.45 and Tn.A.4/238 dated 12 Oct.45.
2. It has now been decided that all bridges etc. recovered or in course of recovery and not already returned to Tn.S.De. or R.C.E. Dumps may be retained for your use and treated as a permanent issue to I.S.R.
3. My letter Tn.A.4/236 dated 12 Oct 45 is therefore cancelled and the procedure outlined in Tn.A.2/I27/I2 dated 26 Sept. 45 will stand/

/s/ P.P. SEASTON, Major RE
for Brigadier,
Director Military Railway Service.

AIR MAIL

Enclos. 3-57/Italy/1/Tn.2 (1.B.)

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THE WAR OFFICE (TN.2),
Metropole Buildings,
Northumberland Ave.,
London, W.C.2.

16 October 1945

Director of Transportation,
Transportation (Br.) Main,
Central Mediterranean Forces.

Subject : Disposal of W.D. Materials incorporated
in reconstruction of Italian State Railway.

With reference to your letter Tn.A.2/127/12 dated 23 Aug. 1945; War Office Financial Branches confirm there is no objection to the retention by the Italian State Rlys? of stores incorporated in reconstruction, since they have already been charged to the Italian Government under the Arrangements covering issues from Army Stocks for Civil Affairs purposes.

Should it be necessary to withdraw any of this material for Army use; the F.A. to the Allied Commission must be advised of quantities and values in order that he may make the necessary adjustment.

Sgd: Illegible
for Major General,
Director of Transportation.

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Muir Spens*

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

Subject : Disposal of W.D. Materials
Incorporated in reconstruction
of Italian State Railways.

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File: Tn.A.2/127/12

Nov. 1945

To : Tn.4
Tn.F.

1. Further reference our TnA.2/127 of 27 October.
2. The decision made by War Office will not affect the arrangements for loan of bridging in Northern Italy referred to in Tn.4's Tn.A.4./236 of 14.10.45.

*See M Spaw
file*

W.F.R. MITCHELL, *1120*
D.A.D. TN STORES.

INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS.

		(\$ 000'S) cost		(\$ 000'S) Tons		\$ per ton	(000'S of tons)							
		total	UNRRA	total	UNRRA		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<u>LUMBER:</u>	Total	60,000	-	2,000	-	30	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	-	Not included in this program - Special UNRRA							
<u>STEEL, STEEL PRODUCTS AND RAW MATERIALS FOR STEEL INDUSTRY:</u>														
	Total	39,860	-	-	-	-								
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	-								
Semi finished steel	Total	25,000	-	500	-	50								
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	"								
Pig-iron (special)	Total	,880	-	22	-	40								
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	"	Not included in the UNRRA program.							
Steel scrap	Total	7,000	-	350	-	20								
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	"								
Mineral for steel ind. (manganese, chrome, etc.)	Total	7,000	-	80	-	-								
	UNRRA	-	-	-	-	-								
		(\$ 000'S)		(000'S)		\$	(000'S of tons)							
		total	UNRRA	total	UNRRA	per ton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<u>NON FERROUS METALS:</u>														
	Total	29,000	-	-	-	-								
	UNRRA	-	2,040	-	-	-								
Copper	Total	18,000	-	75	-	240	7.8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6
	UNRRA	-	1,440	-	6	"	monthly breakdown will be specified at a							

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INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS.

(0'S)	(600'S) Tons		\$ per ton	(000'S of tons)											
	total	UNRRA		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
-	2.000	-	30	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	200	200	200	200
-	-	-	-	Not included in this program - Special UNRRA problem.											
-	500	-	50												
-	-	-	"												
-	22	-	40	Not included in the UNRRA program.											
-	-	-	"												
-	350	-	20												
-	-	-	"												
-	60	-	-												
-	-	-	-												
(0'S)	(00'S)	(00'S)	\$	(000'S OF TONS)											
UNRRA	Total	UNRRA	per ton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
-	2,040	-	-												
-	75	-	240	7.8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
1,440	-	6	"	monthly breakdown will be specified at a later date.											

18,040

Not included in the UNRRA program.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Economic Section

File 77
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Ref: ES/1.37
X - 508

13 October 1945.

SUBJECT : Appointment of Chief Administrative Officer
for Surplus Property.

TO : Mr. Phelps Kelley
Mediterranean Theatre Field Commissioner
Office of Army - Navy Liquidation Commissioner
Public Relations Office Building.

1. Mr. Albert E. Dickens (FEA) has been designated
Chief Administrative officer for Surplus Property for the
Economic Section of Allied Commission.

2. Function of this office will be to serve as official
liaison between the Allied Commission and CANLO, to expedite
and coordinate administrative relations and procedures between
the two organizations, and to represent the Economic Section
of Allied Commission generally in administrative matters
pertaining to surplus property.

3. Economic Section units and personnel interested in
CANLO surplus property hereafter will initiate action through
this office, Room 44, First Floor, A.C. Building, telephone
extension 460, and will not initiate such action with CANLO
directly.

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Sgt / E.E. McKINLEY
Brigadier General, USA
Acting Vice President
Economic Section, A.C.

Distribution by Stencil:

All S/C's, Allied Commission
Executive Commissioner

MR. Merritt

Mr. Hughes

Requisition Branch

Industry and Commerce Division, and Supply Division.

Subject : Disposal of W.D. Materials
incorporated in Railway
Reconstruction Works.

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File: Tn.A.2/127/I2
26 Sept. 1945

TO : Tn Sub-Commission A.C.

Copy to : G-4 (Mov & Tn), A.F.H.Q.
G-5, A.F.H.Q.
Asst. D.D.W.R.S., A.F.H.Q.
Tn 4 (Bldg)
Tn (F) Bldg.

*See Mr 8 Jan
file*

1. With further reference to our letter Tn.A/2/127/I2 of 21st Aug. It has now been agreed that you may use all bridges etc., incorporated in Railway Construction and other Railway projects for civil purposes without reference to this branch once permanent works which will permit continued movement of military traffic over the same lines have been completed.

2. Debits covering these materials already passed to the Italian Government through A.C. will stand. 1117

/s/ D. R.H. CHAPLIN, Lt. Col.
for Brigadier,
Director Military Railway Service.

Subject : Disposal of W.D. Materials
Incorporated in Railway
Reconstruction Works.

Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.

Tel: Firebox 9596

TO : Tn. Sub Commission, A.C.,
(Rail Division).

File: Tn.A.2/127/12.

18th September 1945.

Copy to : A.D. Tn.(F). - with one copy of proforma attached.

1. Reference your AC/Tn/83/1 C.E. undated.

2. The application has been approved and one copy is returned duly authorized.

3. Please Advise us, in view of the temporary nature of the works at which this material will be employed, in the event of any further change in location or use.

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D.H.E. CHAPLIN, Lt. Col.,
for Brigadier,
Director Military Railway Service.

IMPRESA ING. A. & P. DI PENTA

Roma, 7th september 1945

Our reference: 426/45
PD/cl

To/ MAJOR E.P. BUCKLEY R.E.
Transportation Sub-Commission
A.C. (Rail Division)

Handwritten:
Approved
Plan file
Pass to M. Long
8 Sep 45
PB

Subject: Request to buy Allies machinery.-

1. With reference to to-day's conversation with our Mr. Pacinowski.-
2. We are interested in the following machinery, which we should like to buy from the Allies:

1)	No.	20	Dumpers
2)	"	4	Air-compressors (5000 liters)
3)	"	2	Small air-compressors for the cranes
			Huston-Puoyres
4)	"	4	Concrete mixers (1 cu meter)
5)	"	4	Diesel motors of 10 HP
6)	"	2	Cranes 2-3 tons <i>Crawler</i>
7)	"	3	Rollers (about 8-15 tons) <i>Road</i>
8)	"	1	Tank transporter 40 tons
9)	"	4	5 tons trucks
10)	"	1	Jeep with trailer
11)	"	10	Hissen luts
12)		10,000	meters - 2 and 3 inches steel pipes
13)	"	4	electric generators 20 - 50 HP
14)	"	2	hammers of 1/2 tons.- <i>Pile driving Hammer</i>

for CONTRACTOR DI PENTA

Handwritten signature: Ing. Pacinowski

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Subject: Disposal of W.D. Materials
Incorporated in Railway
Reconstruction Works.

Transportation (BR) Main,
C.M.R.

Tel: Firebox 9596

FILE: Tn.A.2/127/12.

29 August 1945.

TO : Tn Sub-Commission. H.Q., A.C.

Copy to: G-4 (Mov. & Tn)
G-5 AFHQ
Asst. D.D.M.R.S., AFHQ,
Tn.4 Bldg.
Tn.(F) Bldg.

1. Reference Your RFM/1ml dated 24 Aug. 45 paragraph 3.
2. Until instruction as to final disposal have been received from War Office, all W.D. materials withdrawn from railway reconstruction projects but not required by you for use in other projects must be advised to me together with complete details of H.R.S. Job Nos. etc. Disposal instructions will then be issued by this H.Q.
3. It is confirmed that A.C. will be responsible for the accountancy for all W.D. Materials which were incorporated in H.R.S. railway reconstruction projects but are withdrawn for use in A.C. projects.

Sgd: D.H. REYNOLDS, Major.
for Brigadier,
Director of Transportation.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO.

Subject: Disposal of W.D. Materials Incorporated
in Reconstruction of I.S.R.

Tn.A.2/127/12.

23 August 1945.

To: D.Mn.

1. I.S.R. reconstruction jobs are costed as soon as they are completed and each month Financial Adviser (Br) is notified of the total expense of the jobs costed during the previous month. It is understood that after accounting action has been taken by F.A.(Br), these expenditures are advised to Chief Accountant, A.C.(I), who in turn periodically records the position to the Chiefs of Staff, London and Washington.

2. From this there arises the question of ownership of the recoverable W.D. materials temporarily incorporated in the reconstruction jobs. From A.C.'s point of view, since the costs have been debited to A.C. account for the Italian Government, the stores involved become the property and at the disposal of that Government. On the other hand, since the final settlement of the Italian Government's liability is a question of future policy, it is considered that the materials continue to be W.D. property until such a settlement is reached.

3. A.C.(I) have planned further railway reconstruction for purely civil purposes, basing their plans on the assumption that they can use W.D. materials recovered from military construction projects. Pending a ruling on this matter A.C.(I) have been informed in your letter Tn.A.2/127/12 dated 21 Aug. 1945 (copy attached) that all W.D. materials withdrawn from military project sites may be used for civil projects on a "loan" basis, but only after approval has been given by you for each project concerned. If it were decided that all W.D. property incorporated in military structures is the property of the Italian Government, then A.C.(I) could undertake their civil projects without further reference to us.

4. A.D.Tn.(F) has already referred the question of ownership to F.A.(Br) and an answer has been received as follows:-

"Presumably the stores to which you refer are those which have been incorporated in reconstruction jobs, e.g. railway lines, sleepers and shoes and not moveable stores such as cranes.

To: D.Th.

1. I.S.R. reconstruction jobs are costed as soon as they are completed and each month Financial Adviser (Br) is notified of the total expense of the jobs costed during the previous month. It is understood that after accounting action has been taken by F.A.(Br), these expenditures are advised to Chief Accountant, A.C.(I), who in turn periodically records the position to the Chiefs of Staff, London and Washington.

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3. A.C.(I) have planned further railway reconstruction for purely civil purposes, basing their plans on the assumption that they can use W.D. materials recovered from military construction projects. Pending a ruling on this matter A.C.(I) have been informed in your letter Tn.A.2/127/42 dated 21 Aug. 1943 (copy attached) that all W.D. materials withdrawn from military project sites may be used for civil projects on a "loan" basis, but only after approval has been given by you for each project concerned. If it were decided that all W.D. property incorporated in military structures is the property of the Italian Government, then A.C.(I) could undertake their civil projects without further reference to us.

4. A.D.Th.(F) has already referred the question of ownership to F.A.(Br) and an answer has been received as follows:-

"Presumably the stores to which you refer are those which have been incorporated in reconstruction jobs, e.g. railway lines, sleepers and shoes and not moveable stores such as cranes.

Unless such stores are required by the W.D. I can see no reason why they should not be left for the I.S.R. and treated as fixed assets. Their cost has, as you state in para. 1, been recorded against the Italian Government."

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4.(cont.) It will be seen that they have given no definite ruling in the matter but have put in the proviso "unless such stores are required by W.D.".

5. Will you please consider discussing this matter with War Office and endeavour to obtain a ruling that, in view of the cessation of hostilities in the Far East and the urgent need A.C.(I) have for these materials, these W.D. materials can be treated as the property of the I.S.R. under the control of Allied Commission.

D. H. Reynolds
D.H. REYNOLDS, Maj.,
D.A.D.In.(Stores),
for Lt. Col.,
A.D.In.(Stores).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 994
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 843209
Ref. AC/275/Th4

APM/lal
23 August 1945

SUBJECT : Disposal of W. D. Materials Incorporated
in Railway Reconstruction Works.

TO : Director, Military Railway Service.

1. Reference is made to your letter 21 August 1945 - File In. A. 2/127/12 concerning disposal of W. D. Materials incorporated in Railway Reconstruction Works.

2. It is agreed to conform with the conditions set out in Paragraph B that W. D. materials which have been incorporated in railway reconstruction projects may be withdrawn by A. C. for use in further reconstruction on the Italian State Railways. Such W. D. materials which are used will be considered as on loan to A. C. for reconstruction work. In submitting the application for the withdrawal of W. D. materials from each job, it should be stated whether the materials will be used in permanent or temporary construction.

3. It is understood that pending decision from the War Office, the A. C. will be responsible for accountability for W. D. materials withdrawn which had been incorporated in railway reconstruction projects and used in other projects. No responsibility to be assumed by the A. C. for materials withdrawn or released and not used.

R. P. Moss

R. P. MOSS
for Director,
Transportation Sub-Commission

Copy to: G-4 (Mov. & Tr.)
G-5 AFM
Asst. D. D. M. B. S. AFM

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Subject: Disposal of W.D. Materials
incorporated in Railway
Reconstruction Works.

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Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.
Tel: Pirsbox 9396.

File: Tn.A.2/127/12.

21 Aug. 45.

To: Tn Sub-Commission, H.2., A.C.

Copy to:- G-4 (Mov. & Tn),
G-5 AMHQ,
Asst. D.D.M.R.S., AMHQ,
Tn.4 BLS,
Tn.F BLS.

1. Further to my Tn.A.2/127/12 dated 5 Aug. 1945.

2. In view of the cessation of organised hostilities in the Far East, and until a definite ruling is received from War Office with regard to the ultimate disposal of W.D. Materials incorporated in railway reconstruction projects, I have decided that all such W.D. materials may be withdrawn by A.C. for use in further reconstruction on the I.S.R. in accordance with your civil rehabilitation programme. This agreement, however, is subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) That the W.D. materials are considered as on loan to A.C. for reconstruction works.
- (b) That application for withdrawal of W.D. Materials from each job is submitted to me in triplicate for approval. These applications must include the following information and must be submitted separately for each IRS Job from which you require to withdraw the W.D. materials:-
 - (i) IRS Job Nos. from which the W.D. materials are required to be withdrawn, with location and kilometre mark.
 - (ii) Details of the new job to which you are allotting these materials, together with the civil project number.
 - (iii) Complete details of the W.D. materials required to be withdrawn. Where steel concerned is Standard W.D. Rly. Bridging state the type of bridge and the number of spans involved. Any other steel work should be listed separately.
 - (iv) Whether the W.D. materials are of British, U.S., or unidentifiable origin.

3. Will you please confirm that you agree to conform with the conditions set out in para 2.

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1. Further to my T.A. 2/127/12 dated 3 Aug. 1945.
2. In view of the cessation of organised hostilities in the Far East, and until a definite ruling is received from War Office with regard to the ultimate disposal of W.D. Materials incorporated in railway reconstruction projects, I have decided that all such W.D. materials may be withdrawn by A.C. for use in further reconstruction on the I.S.R. in accordance with your civil rehabilitation programme. This agreement, however, is subject to the following conditions:-
 - (a) That the W.D. materials are considered as on loan to A.C. for reconstruction works.
 - (b) That application for withdrawal of W.D. Materials from each job is submitted to me in triplicate for approval. These applications must include the following information and must be submitted separately for each MRS Job from which you require to withdraw the W.D. materials:-
 - (i) MRS Job Nos. from which the W.D. materials are required to be withdrawn, with location and kilometre mark.
 - (ii) Details of the new job to which you are allotting these materials, together with the civil project number.
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 (R. S. WAGHORN),
 Brigadier,
 Director, Military Railway Service.

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TRANSPORTATION (BR.) STORES, C.M.F.

BID FOR ALLOCATION TO : A.C. Tn. Submission Commission Italy.

IF DECLARED SURPLUS TO GLOBAL MILITARY REQUIREMENTS.

Serial No.	Description.	Remarks (including details and use for guidance in bidding.	Unit of supply	Qty.	Br. or Lend Lease origin.	FOR USE BY	
						Ref. No.	Qty. bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	TRACK, 75 lbs. F.B., S.G. (complete less sleepers)		Miles	90	BR/LL/US.	1	90
2.	SLEEPERS, S.G.		Miles	50	British	2	50
3.	TURNOUTS, 75 lbs. S.G. 1 in 8. (complete less timbers)		Sets	640	BR/LL/US.	3	640
4.	CROSSING TIMBERS, S.G.		Sets	670	British	4	670

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TRANSPORTATION (BR.) STORES, C.M.F.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL SECTION

Milano
File

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Tel. 12641
Ex. 2592

W.M.D./XII/17
4 August 1945

SUBJECT: War Materials Disposal.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission (Rail Division)
c/o Transportation Increment - C.M.F. -

1. Your ref. AC/TN/44 AC, dated 1st August 45.
2. Disposal of all C.E.M. through AC/AMG is suspended by A.F.H.Q. pending receipt of complete inventories from 5 Army, Eighth Army and Thirteenth Corps.
3. Suggested that G 4 Section 5 Army - Major Webb - at Cardone, might be consulted regarding release, direct, of materials in 5 Army Dumps. Also C.E.M. Officer, Major Toon - 2 District, Monza, regarding release of materials in this Area not under 5 Army control.

I.S.R. Railway Track

Tools — located

*at a Warehouse in Milano
presumably I.S.R. property*

[Signature]
A. PRYER
Captain
WMD Officer

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Subject: Disposal of W.D. Materials
Incorporated in Railway
Reconstruction Works.

Transportation (gr) Main,
C.M.F.

Tel: Firebox 9596.

File: Tn.A.2/127/12.

5 Aug. 45.

To: Tn. Sub Commission, H.Q. A.C. (Att. Lt. Col. Street)

Copy To: G-5, A.F.H.Q.
Asst. D.D.M.R.S., A.F.H.Q.
Tn. 4. (alg.)

1. Reference your 59/11/CE/Tn.4 dated 21 July 1945 addressed to G-5, A.F.H.Q.

2. Will you please advise the following information with regard to para 3:-

(a) M.R.S. Job Nos from which the W.D. materials have been or are being withdrawn.

(b) Where steel concerned is Standard W.D. Rly. bridging state type of bridge and number of spans involved. Any additional steel work incorporated in the original job and now required by you after withdrawal should be listed separately.

(c) State whether of British, U.S. or unidentifiable origin.

Approval will then be sought for the transfer of these materials to A.C.

3. It should be noted that the information requested in para 2 should be included in all future applications of this nature.

4. You should negotiate with the Italian Government for the acquisition of the Italian Girders T.W.P. 60, quantity 4, stated as being at Poggioreale and required for use on Line 281. It is confirmed that these girders are not required by the M.R.S.

5. With regard to G-5 A.F.H.Q. letter R-28 dated 23 July 1945. The whole question of the disposal of W.D. Materials incorporated in M.R.S. main line reconstruction works on the I.S.R. is being investigated and you will be advised further in due course.

1. Reference your 52/11/CE/Tn. 4 dated 21 July 1945 addressed to G-5, A.F.H.Q.
2. Will you please advise the following information with regard to para 3:-

- (a) M.R.S. Job Nos from which the W.D. materials have been or are being withdrawn.
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D. H. Reynolds
D.H. REYNOLDS, Maj.,
for Brigadier,
Director of Transportation.

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