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Weekly report 2352 hours 19 May. Eastern Sicily Railways 11632 tons imported, CATANIA electricity 1037 tons imported and 551 tons SARDINIAN, VILLAFRANCA cement 503 tons imported and 33 tons SARDINIAN, ARRENASCH DE RIRA 145 tons imported and 24 tons SARDINIAN, Insulere CATANIA 351 tons imported and 106 tons SARDINIAN, Industry deposit 2041 tons imported and 32 tons SARDINIAN, on quay 0 tons imported and 2053 tons SARDINIAN. Average daily consumption 260 tons imported and 223 tons SARDINIAN. Eastern SICILY. Railways 3092 tons imported, PALERMO electricity 229 tons imported and 109 tons SARDINIAN, PORTO EMPEDOCLE electricity 175 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN, ARRENELLA PALERMO 260 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN, cement PALERMO 255 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN, Industry deposit 602 tons imported and 13 tons SARDINIAN, on quay 0 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN. Average daily consumption 338 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN. On board at CATANIA 0 tons imported and 2053 tons SARDINIAN, at PALERMO 0 tons imported and 0 tons SARDINIAN.

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Weekly stock report 1358 hours 14 April 1945.

Eastern HIGHLY. Railways 5760 tons imported CATANIA elec-
tricity 600 tons imported 50 tons, SARDINIAN VILLAFRANCA cement
404 tons SARDINIAN, CANTIERI MESSINA 54 tons SARDINIAN, Isolare
CATANIA 45 tons imported and 437 tons SARDINIAN, industry dump
3148 tons imported and 929 tons SARDINIAN, on quay ⁵⁴⁴ tons
imported. Average daily consumption 253 tons imported 160 tons
SARDINIAN.

Eastern HIGHLY railways 4143 tons imported, PALERMO and PORTO
SARNOVA electricity 490 tons imported 395 tons SARDINIAN, ARBON A
PALERMO 231 tons imported, cement PALERMO 296 tons imported, indus-
try dump 1025 tons imported 561 tons SARDINIAN. On quay 724 tons
imported 206 tons SARDINIAN. Average daily consumption 379 tons
imported 114 tons SARDINIAN.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC.
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

Tel. 9311
Ref: AC/Mat/30/1/Tn 4

20 April 1945

SUBJECT : Sicily Coal Allotment

TO : Coal Section I.S.R. Bldg.

1. Reference above subject, which report you are to make to this Headquarters for transmitting to HQ.AC. Industry Sub-Commission Coal Division for month of July 45.
2. It is requested to know that you have this matter in hand and will be able to furnish the report so that it may be forwarded to HQ.AC. by May 5th and not later than May 10th.
3. We have had a request from the Cape of the Palermo Compartmento Di Tuccio, who has requested that their allotment be increased from 9000 tons to 12000 tons or if possible to 14000 tons.
4. This sub-Commission does not approve any allotment above 9000 tons for Sicily and you are hereby instructed to stay within that amount.

DIRECTOR

cc. Ing. Mastrocino - Bldg.
I.S.R. Coal Section

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T R A N S L A T I O N

D'I.B.S. before leaving Sicily promised us to establish a train service foreseeing :-

- Daily passenger trains for a few lines.
- Triweekly passenger trains for other lines.
- Daily freight trains for the most important lines.
- Triweekly freight trains for the not so important lines.

For this service we were assigned 9000 tons of coal per month.

During the month of October the coal allotment was reduced to 7000 tons; we therefore reduced the rail service, leaving only local daily trains for transport of refugees to their work on the morning, while long distance passenger trains were also reduced; just a little, in order to avoid hindrance to commerce.

What happened though, was that due to the great request of transport, in order to keep consumption within the established quantity, we were obliged to often curtail acceptance of transport, which raised lively protest by the forwarders.

Due to the kind interest of the AG Officers, from last January the coal allotment has been increased again to 9000 tons monthly, but after this only the freight service has been improved, not the passenger one.

A great deal of coal has been consumed for transport of grain from the ports of Palermo and Catania to various places in Sicily. Sulphur, wine, citrus fruits have also been transported. Also many transports have been disposed by AG.

The increasing of traffic makes it absolutely impossible to carry on the service with 9000 tons a month. The assignment of coal is only enough for transport of food commodities, military transport and AG transport. It is never possible to transport construction materials which are also very much needed for reconstruction of houses and establishments.

We beg therefore to kindly increase the coal allotment to at least 12000 tons, in order to improve the freight service, or at least to 14000 tons, in order to improve the passenger service now so inadequate for the needs of the population.

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L'I.B.S. prima di lasciare la Sicilia aveva permesso a noi di stabilire un servizio di treni che prevedeva:

Treni viaggiatori	giornalieri	per alcune linee
"	"	trisettimanali per altre linee
"	merci	giornalieri per le linee più importanti
"	"	trisettimanali per le meno importanti

Per tale servizio ci vennero assegnate 9.000 tonnellate di carbone al mese.

Nel mese di ottobre il carbone ci venne ridotto a 7.000 tonn. al mese e perciò dovemmo ridurre il servizio lasciando giornalieri i soli treni viaggiatori locali per portare la mattina gli sfollati al lavoro, mentre i treni viaggiatori a lungo percorso furono anch'essi ridotti, ma di poco per evitare danni al commercio.

Avvenne però che date le forti richieste di trasporti, per contenere il consumo nella quantità stabilita, bisogno spesso sospendere l'accettazione dei trasporti causando vivissime proteste degli speditori.

Per il benevolo interessamento degli ufficiali dell'A.C., da gennaio l'assegno di carbone fu riportato a 9.000 tonn. al mese. Avuto il nuovo assegno non si è migliorato il servizio viaggiatori, ma quello merci.

Molto carbone si è consumato per il trasporto del grano in arrivo ai porti di Catania e Palermo e tutti i punti della Sicilia. Si è trasportato zolfo, vino ed agrumi. Molti trasporti sono stati disposti dall'A.C.

L'incremento che si ha nel traffico non permette più assolutamente di poter disimpegnare il servizio con 9.000 tonn. al mese. Il carbone assegnato basta appena per i trasporti alimentari, i trasporti militari, i trasporti A.C., i trasporti di combustibili e carburanti. Non è possibile trasportare materiali da costruzione che pure occorrono per la ricostruzione delle case e degli impianti.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

3 April 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/16/13/Tn 4

TO : Movements Division (Rails)
Tn Sub-Comm. HQ AC

SUBJECT : Coal Consumption - Sicily.

1. It is suggested that requests for coal supply to Sicily be returned to this Division for action.
2. A recognised procedure has been agreed in respect of other territory covered by AC, and this system is working quite well.
3. Certain operational problems arise over estimating coal consumption to cover a given tonnage movement, and if you continue to provide information as to intended or desired movement, a satisfactory case can be made out to AFHQ by this Division.

O. Lindberg, Lt. Col.
O.H. LINDBERG
Lieut. Col. R.E.,
Chief, Rail Division.

Copy to: Major C.M. Long, Stores Branch, Tn Sub-Comm. (Rails)

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