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LEVEL CROSSINGS -
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LEVEL CROSSINGS - PROTECTION OF
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
A.C. SENIOR TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

21st, May 1945

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Tele. : 53395

SUBJECT : Highway crossing protection.

TO : Ferrovie Napoli - Piedimonte d'Alife R.R.
Inf: Movements Sub - Area, Naples
Joint Railway Control
P.B.S. (Transportation) Attn: Maj. Forbes
P.B.S. Provost Marshall Pensouth
A.P.M. 56 Sub- Area
Tn. Sub Commission care Tn. Increment C.M.F.
Ing. Saggese, Ispettore Motorizzazione.

1. Replying to your letter 1433 of 9 May received in this office today, on the subject of Military Police and drivers of Allied Vehicles insisting on enclosure bars of your grade crossings being kept open, and that red signals are sufficient.

2. The responsibility of safeguarding the lives of Allied personnel and property crossing your railway, is entirely in your hands: You will be held responsible for any accident caused through failure to use existing safety installations, or through failure to provide adequate protection. Any safety device which you deem necessary, to attain this end, will be used as you direct, with our full support and authority.

For the Commissioner:

Blumenthal 5370

V.R. BOWERS
Major
Senior Tptn. Officer

Int: Movements Sub - Area, Naples

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FERROVIA NAPOLI - PIEDIMONTE D' ALIFE

GESTIONE COMMISSARIALE GOVERNATIVA

Prot. No I433

OGGETTO Highway crossing.

Napoli 9 Maggio 1945
Piazza Carlo III Tel. 50796

ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
RAILWAYS

N A P O L I

Piazza Nicola Amore

We are informed by our personnel that the Military Police and the drivers of Allied vehicles insist on requesting that they keep open the enclosure bars of our crossings on highways when trains are approaching the road or when they are passing through. They claim that flagging of red signals is a sufficient warning.

We do not know whether this is a new rule or merely an initiative of individual service men to speed up traffic. But, involving as it is the safety of the road and railway traffic, we would appreciate it very much to receive from you proper instructions on the matter.

(Signed)

STRAPIONE SACCHI
Gov.t Commissioner

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE
(RAILWAYS)
ALLIED COMMISSION
SOUTHERN REGION
C. M. F.

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SUBJECT: Piedimonte d'Alife Railway.
Grade crossing at S. MARIA CAPUA.

PHONE: HAMPS 2207X 12

OUR REF: 30/122
DATE: 29/1/45

TO:

Ingenere Saggese - Corso Umberto I 154 Naples.

YOUR REF:
DATE:

Copy to: Transportation Sub-Commission (Rail) A.C.
c/o Transportation Increment C.M.F. ✓

- " G-4 (Movement & Transportation) A.F.H.Q.
- " Headquarters - Movements West Italy.
- " Headquarters. Mediterranean Allied Air Forces (Movement) C.M.F.

1. I have received a complaint from Mediterranean Allied Air Forces that a grade crossing on the Piedimonte d'Alife railway at S. MARIA CAPUA is entirely unprotected by gates, and unguarded.
2. A Diesel locomotive, on 18 Dec., approached this crossing, unseen and unheard by an Air Force truck driver, following another truck. The locomotive lights only became visible to the driver when the crossing was reached. Both engine and truck were able to stop immediately; slight contact resulting.
3. This situation is extremely dangerous and road traffic must be protected. Will you please take the matter up with the private railway concerned and request adequate protection be provided at once, by means of crossing gates and/or watchman.
4. Please inform me of results.

Irving Strand, 1st Lt. CAC
for Major
(V.P. Bowers)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

Our Reference : ASC 10/7/2

Date : 30 July '44

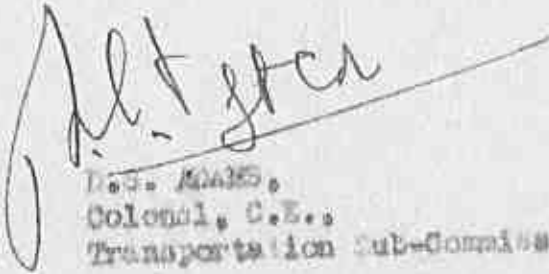
TO : Brigadier General Carl GRAY,
Director General Military Railway Services.
ROME.

SUBJECT : Level Crossings on Line, Narni-Bastia

1. Reference is to attached papers.

2. It is not clear why Movement's Eighth Army requested ASC
Eighth Army to arrange for level crossings to be guarded on Military
train routes, as it is usual for all such arrangements to be made by
ROM.

3. Please note that ASC Region IV took action with ASC Provincial
Commissioner on Perugia and Terni, but there is no indication that the
necessary crossing keepers have been put into service.


Lt. J. C. JONES,
Colonel, C.E.,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

Copy to: - Movement's, A.I.
Regional Commissioner - Region IV (for Regional Engineer)
S.C.A.O. AND 8th Army (attn : S. Sup. O.)

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Naples ,24th of June 1944

File L. 8/2I/5092

Subject : Protection of the
level - crossings.

To: A C C - in. Sub-Commission

The question of the level -crossings has been examined again from a general point of view, as per the reports sent to us.

We enclose a copy of the report concerning the matter, in order that you may know the instructions in force, what happens and what we do to avoid.

Will give orders in order that the damages continuously caused to the barriers and making bad the service which interests yourselves will be avoided.

The Undersecretary of State

Gen. DI RAIMONDO.

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DIRECTOR GENERAL

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TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSIONN A P O L I

La questione della protezione dei P.D. delle Ferrovie dello Stato è stata in questi giorni r-esaminata da un punto di vista generale in base ai rapporti pervenuti.- Si unisce una copia della relazione compilata sull'argomento affinché Voi possiate essere al corrente delle disposizioni di legge e interne vigenti in materia, di quanto accade e di quanto si fa per cercare di evitare sinistri.-

Si prega voler prendere provvedimenti qualora lo riteniate opportuno, per diminuire i danni che continuamente vengono arrecati alle barriere e che nuocciono al buon andamento del servizio di quale Voi stessi siete interessati.-

IL SOTTOSCRIZIONE DI STATO

Luigi Xammg

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