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U.S.A. ROLLING STOCK  
FEB.-DEC. 1945

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TRANSPORTATION & SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION, AG  
(RAIL DIVISION)  
c/o Transportation (Br) Main  
C.M.F.

23 December 45

Tel: 84,3038  
Ref: AG/544/Tn 4

SUBJECT : German Railway Wagons.  
TO : 1(AM)5 CHS Liaison Officer  
Attn. HQ 2 Distr.

1. Reference yours 21 December file CHS/5.
2. We are unable to authorize the sale of German Railway Stock to a private Railway.
3. The position on such stock to date has been that it can be used in Italy until such time as the disposition of foreign stock generally in Europe has been settled.

P. G. MATSON  
for Director

Copy to: Dist - Bldg.  
ORMA - "

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311/43

SUBJECT: U/S Railway Wagons

H.Q., No.2 District, CMF

Tel.No. Blenheim 371

CEM/5

24 Dec 45

Transportation & Shipping Sub-Commission,  
(Rail Division),  
c/o Transportation (Br) Main,  
C.N.F.  
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Reference your AC/311/Tn4 dated 18 Dec 45.

Attached is copy of CEM/5 dated 27 Oct 45 as  
requested.

*D.H. Toon Major.*

D.H. TOON, Major,  
Q(AE)5, C.E.M.S. Liaison Officer,  
att HQ No.2 District

DHT/FG

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SUBJECT: U/S Railway Wagons

H.Q., No.2 District, CMF

Tel.No. Blenheim 371

CEM/5

27 Oct 45

Allied Forces,  
Military Railway Service  
A.P.O. 512  
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The attached request for the sale of unserviceable railway wagons has been received from AMG, War Materials Disposal Section, Lombardia Region.

Will you please say if you have any need for the wagons in question, or if they may be sold, through the Italian Government, to the Soc. Naz. di Ferrovie e Tranvie.

Please return letter with your reply.

DHT/EHH

D.H. TOON, Major,  
Q(AE)5, C.E.M.S. Liaison Officer,  
att HQ No.2 District

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TRANSLATION

SOC. NAZ. di FERROVIE e TRANVIE

Ref: 6604 Tm

Iseo 13 October 1945

TO: AMG  
W.M.D.,  
MILAN  
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SUBJECT: Allotment-request of ex  
German railway wagons

Since July 18 last, we sent to AMG att Ten. Lip= sius with note 4105 the following request.

"At the time of the German retreat from Vallecamonica, were lying on our lines various German wagons much damaged and a part of which to be considered as scrap to use only for the re-construction of railway cars of the Company.

We ask the consignment of the wagons of which we give the relative numbers :-

Covered wagons n- 291049 - 2065032 - 40784 - 276465

Wagons high siding n- 813289 - 44492 - 35067 - 27537 -  
18762 - 5564 - 33936 - 9199 +  
8223 - 482671

Flat wagons n- 107990 - 1063856 - 9574 - 49313 -  
9633 - 76202 - 47258 - 50125 -  
311873 - 46485 - 312967 - 349641 -  
8545

Il Direttore dell'esercizio  
sgd illegible

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TRANSPORTATION & SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION  
(RAIL DIVISION)  
c/o Transportation (Br) Main  
C.M.F.

18 December 45

Tel: 843402  
Ref: AG/311/Tn 4

SUBJECT : U.S. Railway Wagons.

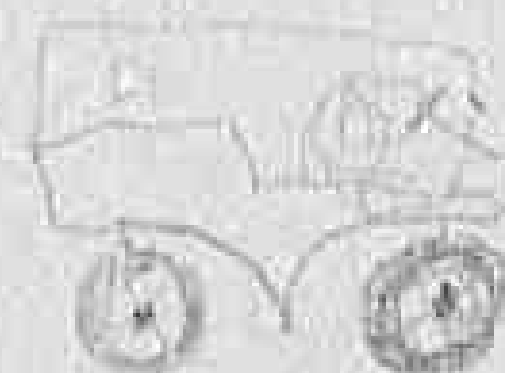
TO : HQ  
W. 2 District  
CMF  
(Attn. C (RS) 5, C.M.F.S. Liaison Officer.)

1. Reference your CMF/5 dated 8 December 45 addressed to Allied Forces, MRS, APO 512.
2. Above letter has been passed to this office for reply.
3. May copy of CMF/5 dated 27 Oct. 45 be forwarded to this office please.

P. G. MATSON  
MAJOR T.O.

For Director

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KABA V MBAY NR 112/113 IMMEDIATE QVR 1/3 AMEDB  
 FROM ALCON REGGIO 281630R  
 TO DMRI : 701 RLY SD DIVN : TW INC FOR TW SE ROME :  
 QRX GR 50 BT

R 536 ~~RE~~ RESTRICTED . 27 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA .  
 27 APRIL . 222759 20115 222669 223237 20077 221528 221435  
 223344 221282 222658 221569 223234 221263 22221345 223349

221672 222953 223391 ~~221672~~ 221764 223235 222744 221374  
 20527 222756 221274 221366 . ALL IN GOOD CONDITION <sup>20064</sup> DAMAGED IN  
 UNLOADING BY CRANE NOW IN REPAIR ^

BT THI ~~221672~~ 281917D

CCTN LAST FULL LINE WE DAMAGED PSE INSERT 20364

SENT NR 112/113 OP 2335B LF B OP K

112/113 RD TOR 2355 WMM AR V

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MAEA V MBWU QVR 1-3 IMMEDIATE NRS 19/20  
FROM ALCOM REGGIO 231040 B  
TO DMRI - 701 RLY GS DIV  
TN INC FOR TN S C ROME

GR 38 BT

R524 RESTRICTED . 21 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA

22 APRIL AS FOLLOWS . 20176 221305 221748 221326 221349

20068 222647 22214 20171 20240 222706 20215 221831 222667 221308

221294 221254 222619 221316 222741 222927 . ALL IN GOOD CONDITION

BT THI 1156

SENT JDH B 1

XCCTN WA 222647 222614 222614

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A. V. MAY NR57 OF QVR 2-- A/MDR CR-7  
 FROM ALCON REGGIO 131115E  
 TO DMR1  
 761 RELY SD DAVN  
 TM 100 FOR TN SC ROME

BT

N50A. RESTRICTED. 21 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA 17 APRIL AS  
 FOLLOWS.

202

20245 222753 221377 20246 20389 221344 222665 221773 221383 221243  
 221374 222669 222762 221246 221319 222926 221268 20524 223348 222743  
 221237.

ALL IN GOOD CONDITION

BT

SENT NR57 OF 1229B RG BB ONE R

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MABA V MBAY NR40 QVR3 A MRDD  
FROM ALCON REGGIO 8913288  
TO D R R I 701 CLY CD DIV TN INC FOR TN SC ROME  
QVR CR37

R466 RESTO. 2190X CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA 3 APRIL AS FOLLOWS  
221273  
~~221273~~ 222901 222218 22254 22210 221358  
222609 221875 221268 22144 221353 221376 221364 221379 222555  
~~221413~~ 221413 22143 222901 223201 221365 .

ALL IN GOOD CONDITION

BT

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~~221273~~ 221273

~~221273~~ 221273

QVR1 ALBY SENT 16 U

40 30 13150 XX 01150 WITCHELL AR N .

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1985

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8/11/53

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MABA V MEAY NR9172 (OP) QVR1/3 A MBED  
FROM ALCON REGGIO 631730R  
TO D M R I : 701 RLY GD DIVN & JNIC FOR TN SC ROME  
QOX GR37

R451 RESTD. 21 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA 2 APRIL AS FOLLOWS.

|        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 221235 | 221314 | 222652 | 20684  | 222662 | 221306 | 331371 |
| 221768 | 221403 | 221323 | 221351 | 221226 | 221405 | 20218  |
| 222977 | 222720 | 22671  | 221304 | 222657 | 222707 | 221333 |

ALL IN GOOD CONDITION

BT

EAJH : B

~~FORM 3RD FTS GR IS 222652 INT 222652~~

92-1 RD TOR 2230B MITCHELL AR K .

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CITE RGT 232  
APR 031730B

D/6751  
APR 031925B  
ROUTINE

ALCOM SICILIA SIGNED LYNGH  
HQ ALCOM ROME FOR TRANS SUBCOM

RESTRICTED.

Us box cars from NORTH AFRICA numbers 221376 and 2222722 despatched  
to NAPLES March numbers 20113 20581 and 221401 to ROME 30 March all  
loaded with roofing material for wagons consignor and consignee ISR  
221364 entered shop for repair 3.

DIST

ACTION: Tr s/c 2  
INFO : A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ. Sec.  
Industry 2  
File.

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MADA V MRAY NR 76/7 IMMEDIATE QVR 1/3 A/ WRDB  
FROM ALCON REGGIO ~~131230B~~ 131230B  
TO DMRI - 701 RLY D~~AG~~ GD DIV NW - TN INC FOR TN SC ROME  
CZX GR 37 BT  
R 488 (.) RESTD (.) 21 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA 12 APRIL AS  
FOLLOWS (.)  
221322 221398 20072 222932 222717 22678 22983 222703 222916 221412  
221441 221883 222622 20481 ~~221378~~ 221378 221303 221901 221341 20248  
20255 222713 (.) ALL IN GOOD CONDITION (.)  
BT  
SENT NR 76/7 JH AR THMS K

RD 76 7 1800R JC LOWE AR CIAO

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FX 51670  
MAR 29/1350

D/6368  
MAR 29/1810  
PRIORITY

AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE PHLEW RHGDM  
MRST, MOVWIT, ALCOM INFO: PENSOUTH, COM NOV PALERMO.

SECRET.

Transfer of USA rail cars from BIZERTE to REGGIO, via SEATRAN  
(LST) is subject.

Cars 20584 and 221399, loaded with dates arriving from NORTH  
AFRICA, are to be redesignated to PENSOUTH Quartermaster, NAPLES.  
For MOVWIT. Telephone conversation Major REMIOZ and Captain BRODY  
confirmed, MOV REGGIO, 28 March current.

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ACTION - TN S/C 2  
INFO - A/PRESIDENT  
CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
ECON SEC  
FILE

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MNSI, MOVWIT, ALCOM INFO: PENSOUTH, COM NOV PALERMO.

SECRET.

Transfer of USA rail cars from BIZERTE to REGGIO, via SEATRIN  
(LST) is subject.

Cars 20584 and 221399, loaded with dates arriving from NORTH  
AFRICA, are to be reconsigned to PENSOUTH Quartermaster, NAPLES.  
For MOVWIT. Telephone conversation Major RENICK and Captain BRODY  
confirmed, MOV REGGIO, 28 March current.

DIST

ACTION - TM S/C 2

INFO - A/PRESIDENT

CHIEF COMMISSIONER

ECON SEC

FILE

SECRET

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D/6207  
RAC 260895A  
PRIORITY

TO: ADMIRAL, USN, WASHINGTON

FROM: ADMIRAL, USN, WASHINGTON  
SUBJECT: 15 JULY GROUP; ADRIATIC BASE COMMAND; ALESSO/NOVA  
INFO: ADMIRAL, USN, WASHINGTON; RAC; ADRIATIC BASE FORWARD; ALESSO/NOVA

SECRET.

Military railway service advises that USA boxcars are to be used for the movement of traffic on the Italian mainland.

Under no circumstances are they to be loaded to points in SICILY. Instructions have been issued by Italian State railways not to forward any boxcars of USA across Straits of MESSINA. Advise all loading agencies.

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ACTION: To S/C 2.  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Room 660  
File 2  
Flora

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MAR 27 1735A

D/6207

MAR 28 0835A

PRIORITY

SIGNED CG MTOUSA CITE NATEM

ACTION PES: 5TH ARMY; 15 ARMY GROUP; ADRIATIC BASE COMMAND: AAFSC/MTO;  
ALCOM: INFO TO DIRESI: PENSOUTH: RAAC: ADRIATIC BASE FORWARD: AAFSC/MTO

SECRET.

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ACTION: Tn S/C 2.  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
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SECRET.

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ACTION: Tn S/C 2  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
File 2  
Float

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SECRET

6413 1421  
MA V MEAY NR161/2 IMMEDIATE QVR 1-3 A MEDB GR 59  
FROM ALCOM REGGIO 241630A  
TO DMRI

701 RLY GRAND DIVN  
TN INC FOR TN SC ROME

BT

R424. RESTRICTED. 21 BOX CARS ARRIVED 23 MARCH FROM NORTH AFRICA AS  
FOLLOWS. 222943 221378 222664 221253 222915 222670 2 1436 221320 2 1240  
222740 221302 221252 222971 221225 222751 ALL IN GOOD CONDITION.  
221309 22755 221402 IN GOOD CONDITION ARRIVED LOADED WITH STORES AND  
DESPATCHED AT ONCE TO NAPLES.  
222921 DAMAGED ROOF 221937 BROKEN BRAKE TU E 222648 MINUS BRAKE TU E  
SENT NR161/2 OP 2307A RG BB K  
R 161/2 2305 JFW BQXXX R1

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MARA V MRAY NR 68/69 IMMEDIATE QVR 1/3 A/ MDDP  
FROM ALCON REGGIO 291215A  
TO DMRI : 791 RLY GRAND DIVN / TH INC FOR S C TOME  
Q2K GR 54  
K438 . RESTRICTED . 18 BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM NORTH AFRICA 28 MARCH  
AS FOLLOWS . 222635 222754 221232 222654 221411 221313  
221241 22212 221242 222654 ALL IN GOOD CONDITION . 22534 AND  
221399 ARRIVED LOADED AND FORWARDED AT ONCE TO NAPLES .  
FOLLOWING ARRIVED WITH WOOD WORK ~~IN GOOD~~ WOOD WORK OF BODY  
IN FAIR CONDITION ONLY . 222755 221673 221234 221265 222736 222261  
BT YHI 291349A  
~~CCTN 2ND LINE TEXT LAST GRP 221215 ONI 221215 / / / / /~~  
221313 221313  
SENT NR 68/69 1415A LF B 1 K  
IMI LAST GR TEXT  
INT LAST GR ADD TO - ROME ?  
RONE ROME  
LAST GRP TEXT 222261  
2D NR 68/69 1515 GVN BBB

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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: R420  
Date/Time of Origin: MAR 231145A

Message Centre No: D/5862  
Date Time Rec'd: MAR 240830A  
Precedence: IMMEDIATE

FROM: ALCOM REGGIO  
TO: DMRI - 701 RLY GRAND DIV - TN INC FOR TN SC RMT INFO ALCOM PALERMO FOR LYNCH

## RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED.

Subject USA box cars from NORTH AFRICA.

Reference my signal R 415 of 21 March am advised today that 6 cars from top deck were off loaded at PALERMO numbers 221376 222722 221364 20113 20581 221401. LYNCH to consign them at once to REGGIO and to advise DMRI direct condition of cars.

# ACTION

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ACTION: Tn 3/C 2  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
File 2  
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Allied Force  
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE  
Office of Director - Italy

SEL/ed

A.P.O. 518  
24 March 1945

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SUBJECT: USA Box Cars.

TO: Chief of Transportation, MTOUSA.  
G-4, Mov & Tn, AFHQ.  
Director General, Italian State Railways.  
A.C. Tn Sub/Comm, Rail Division.

1. USA box cars are to be used for the movement of traffic on the Italian Mainland and are not to be loaded to points in Sicily. Will addressees please notify all loading agencies accordingly?

2. Director General, Italian State Railways, and A.C. Tn Sub/Comm are requested to direct their representatives in Sicily to expedite return under load to Italian Mainland of such USA box cars as may now be in Sicily.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

*B. G. London*  
B. G. LONDON  
Major, T.C.  
Supt. Transportation

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SIGNAL MESSAGE OUT

FROM : TM INC (In Sub-Comm.)

241800

TO : ALCON REGGIO FOR BODDY  
REGIONAL COMMISSIONER for LYONH  
W.R.S. (by hand)  
MOVEMENTS TRANSPORTATION (Ralls) (by hand)

068 (.)

US BOX CARS FROM NORTH AFRICA (.) NO OBJECTION LYONH  
LOADING CARS FOR DESTINATION ON MAINLAND PROVIDED DETAILS OF  
FORWARDING ADVISED THIS HQ (.) THEY MUST NOT REMAIN IN ISLAND (.)

This message may be sent as  
written by any means except  
wireless.

Originator Instructions  
Degree of Priority  
IMPORTANT

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MABA V MDAY NR74 IMMEDIATE QVR 1VVRNDE GR 52

FROM ALCO REGGIO 231145A

TO DMRI - 71 . RLY GRAND DIVN

TN INC FOR TH SC ROME

INFO ALCOM PALERMO FOR LYNCH

BT

R420. RESTRICTED. SUBJECT USA BOX CARS FROM NORTH AFRICA. REFERENCE  
MY SIGNAL R 415 OF 21 MARCH AM ADVISED TODAY THAT 6 CARS FROM TOP  
DECK WERE OFF LOADED AT PALERMO NUMBERS 221376 222722 221364 20113  
20581 221401. LYNCH TO CONSIGN THEM AT ONCE TO REGGIO AND TO ADVISE  
DMRI DIRECT CONDITION OF CA

BT

SENT NR74 OP 1518A RG BB KK

RD 52 1515 - WRH - B1

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MABA V MBAY NR112/13 IMMEDIATE QVR 1-3 QGX GR 56  
FROM ALCOM REGGIO 211620A  
TO DMRI- 701 RLY GRMA DIVN  
BT TN INC FOR TN SC ROME

Q113 321

R415. RESTRICTED. FOLLOWING USA BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM AFRIKA 17 MARCH  
IN GOOD CONDITION. 222616 221303 221375 221362 20387 221317 ~~222611~~  
221344 222254 221311 20112 221239 20023 222967 222695  
222620 222632 20526 223386. FOLLOWING ARRIVED WITHOUT TUBES FOR  
WESTING HOUSE BRAKES 222677 221443 221373.  
21 CARS IN ALL UNLOADED UNABLE UNLOAD 6 CARS FROM TOPS SEC. NO TRAIN  
AVAILABLE CRANE  
BT  
SENT NR112/13 OP 1802A RG BB K

WA WITHOUT TUBES TUBES  
RD 112/3 1800 JFW B 1

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NABA V MBAY NR 56 IMMEDIATE A/MBDB  
FROM ALCOM REGGIO 210915A  
TO TN INC FOR TN S C ROME  
QQX GR 27 BT  
R412 . RESTRICTED . YOUR 066 NO CRANE AT CATANZARO  
OR ANY WHERE IN REGGIO DIVN . MAJOR RENICK AFHQ  
ADVISED AND IS NOT WADING ON TOP DECK FOR FUTURE TRIPS  
BT THI 211145 A  
SENT NR 56 1542A LF AR TKS K

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RB K 56 1540 - WRH - AR

## INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: CITE RTC 202  
Date/Time of Origin: MAR 131515A

Message Centre No: D/4933  
Date/Time Recd: MAR 131845A  
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ALCOM SICILIA (LYNCH)  
TO: HQ ALCOM FOR TRANS SUBCOM REPEATED FOR INFO TO ALCOM REGGIO FOR BODDY

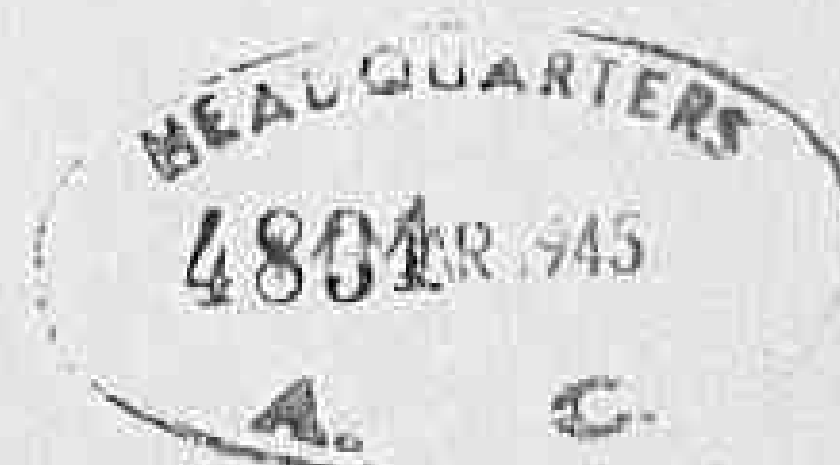
RESTRICTED ACTION

RESTRICTED.

1. Reference your signal 2931 dated 5 March subject rail cars ex NORTH AFRICA for ITALY.
2. Empty wagons coming from NORTH AFRICA can be unloaded at CANIA provided the ISR are advised about 6 days before steamers arrival, in order to arrange for laying down of rail track connecting unloading point to ordinary ISR permanent way.
3. Agreed that empty craft is used for extra ferry lift of ISR wagons to CATANIA.
4. "MESSINA" ferry can be retained for approximately 1 month when "VILLA" is returned to service (sometime between 1 and 10 April).
5. With reference to para 2 Dottore TUCCIO points out that in order to intensify the passage of cars from mainland to MESSINA IWR MESSINA ISR could increase number of daily ferry runs provided present oil allocation is adequately increased.

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ACTION: Tn S/C  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
File



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

Tel. 843338  
Ref. AG/311/Tn 4

21 March 1945.

TO : M.S.S., Building.

SUBJECT : Freight cars from North Africa.

1. It is understood that USA freight cars received from North Africa are already arriving back at Reggio loaded with Military and Civil Traffic for Sicily.
2. At the present such cars are being transhipped at Reggio, but as considerable work is involved, our Officer in the Calabria division is being asked to note the numbers and advise Sicily to ensure speedy return to mainland, rather than tranship.
3. The difficulty could be overcome by an instruction to stop loading such cars to Sicily and perhaps you will desire to undertake the necessary action.

*W. R. May*  
G.S. LINDBERG  
Lieut. Col. M.E.,  
Chief, Rail Division.

Copy to: To Sub-Comm. Rail Movement  
" " Capt Irvine Lynch c/o HQ AG Sicilian Region  
" " Capt Boddy c/o Rev Reggio  
" " Major Howes, Rev Liaison Officer c/o SAS.

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1. U.S.A. freight cars received at Reggio from N. Africa recently are already arriving back in Reggio loaded and consigned to Sicily (both by military and Civil).
2. All concerned in Reggio Divn. have been ordered not to consign these cars to Sicily. May all concerned outside the Reggio Divn. be warned similarly, please?
3. Cars arriving Reggio, are being held here and goods transhipped to other cars but this causes considerable delay and unnecessary work here.

*B. W. Boddy*

B. W. BODDY  
CAPTAIN  
TPTN. S.C. REP. A.C.

*Rail Division*

For your attention please.

In view of ~~the~~ recent U.S.A. freight cars are already in general circulation. I can see no reason why they should not be loaded to Sicily, provided they are re-loaded with traffic for the mainland & not held on the island.

*19 March 1945*  
*W. C. D.*

MABA V NBAY NR122 : OP : OP : QVR1 A MBDB  
FROM ALCOM REGGIO 131700A

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TO D M R I 701 RLY GRAND DIVN TN INC FOR TN SC ROME  
QQX GR50

R384. RESTD. FOLLOWING 21 USA BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM AFRICA 12 MAR IN  
GOOD CONDITION

221372 223384 222668 221380 200526 221315 222680  
20385 221230 20388 222673 20525 20219 222976  
221272 221394 222975 222929 20216 222710 221281

A FEW MINOR FAULTS BEING ATTENDED TO IN REGGIO AT ONCE

BT

EAJH : NN:

122 RD TOR 2137A MITCHELL B.2 .

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C O S Y

RX 28673

MAR 061700A

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MAR 061000A

PRIORITY

MESSAGE SIGNED CO MEXICO CIVIL WAR

ALCOA INFO MEX.

SECRET.

Balance of railway stock between ITALY and SICILY referred to in 43777  
 March cannot be facilitated by ISF because intention to load railway  
 equipment now possible through greater depth of REGGIO have also vehicles  
 are being carried on main deck and personnel transported NORTH AFRICA to  
 ITALY. Recommended at MEXICO today that both MEXICANA car ferries be permitted  
 to operate until sufficient railway stock obtained.

DEST

ACTION: TN 2/C

INFO: A/Tresident  
Chief Commissioner

Spon Sec

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(Cipher note:

Original message was routine but  
 check had to be obtained and caused  
 delay)

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|------------------------------------------|-----------|
| TRANSPORTATION<br>SUB-COMMISSION<br>RAIL | SEEN.     |
|                                          | INITIALS. |
| 4827                                     |           |
| CHIEF.                                   | ASSISTANT |

PRIORITY

FROM: SIGNED BY MINOR CIVIL ENGINEER  
ALONG INFO REB.

SECRET.

Balance of railway stock between ITALY and GICHIY referred to in ACTT  
5 "Arch cannot be facilitated by ISF because intention to load railway  
equipment now possible through greater depth of HEMIO hard also vehicles  
are being carried on main deck and personnel transported NORTH AFRICA to  
ITALY. Recommended at HEMIO today that both HEMIO car ferries be permitted  
to operate until sufficient railway stock obtained.

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ACTION: IN S/C  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec

(Cipher note:  
Original message was routine but  
check had to be obtained and caused  
delay)

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| TRANSPORTATION<br>SUB-COMMISSION<br>RAIL |            | SEEN.<br>INITIALS. |
| 4827                                     | CHIEF.     |                    |
|                                          | ASSISTANT  |                    |
|                                          | ADMIN.     |                    |
|                                          | CIVIL ENG. |                    |
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|                                          | TRAFFIC    |                    |
|                                          | STORES.    |                    |

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Memorandum Major Baister.

Ref to signal attached.

First two paragraphs were as agreed at Traffic Sub Committee. Last paragraph is an invention of Major Worthington, and I have protested strongly that such action was taken without consultation with this Division, as we do not admit the right of Movements to control the Ferry service between Reggio and the Island.

I have stated it is up to us to agree whether the existing ferry can continue in service, or whether it would be preferable to get it in for early repair in order to prevent a longer overhaul.

*W. R. May*

8. Mar 45

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FREEDOM CITE FHGDM ALCCM SICILIA REGION ALCCM REGGIO CALABRIA  
 ALCCM SOUTHERN REGION FOR INFO FREEDOM CITE FHGEG  
 2931 5 MARCH 45 PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS RAIL CARS EX NORTH AFRICA FOR ITALY PD  
PAREN TO FREEDOM CITE FHGDM TO ALCCM SICILIA REGION FOR LYNCH TO  
ALCCM REGGIO CALABRIA FOR BOBBY TO ALCCM SOUTHERN REGION FOR INFO TO  
FREEDOM CITE FHGEG FROM ALCCM CITE ACTPT PAREN

REFERENCE CONVERSATION DANAGHAR WORTHINGTON FOUR MARCH PD BALANCED  
 ROLLING STOCK WORKING BETWEEN MAINLAND AND SICILY NOW BEING MAINTAINED  
 BUT DEFICIT WAGONS STILL OWING TO SICILY STILL VERY LARGE PD TO MAKE  
 ✓ GOOD THE BALANCE TO SICILY REQUEST EXAMINATION FOLLOWING PROPOSALS PD  
 ONE PD WAGON FROM NORTH AFRICA IF EMPTY BE DISCHARGED AT CATANIA AND  
 USED FOR LOADING OF TRAFFIC TO MAINLAND ONLY PD TWO PD IF WAGONS  
 ARE LOADED FROM NORTH AFRICA THEY SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE DISCHARGED  
 REGGIO AND RETURNING EMPTY CRAFT FROM REGGIO BE USED FOR EXTRA FERRY  
 ✓ LEFT OF ITALIAN STATE RAILWAYS WAGONS TO CATANIA PD THREE PD CAN  
 FERRY STEAMER REGGIO TO MESSINA DUE TO UNDER GO REPAIRS WHERE<sup>N</sup> SECOND  
 CRAFT IS RETURNED TO SERVICE BE RETAINED FOR APPROX ONE MONTH TO INCRE-  
 ASE WAGON MOVEMENT MAINLAND TO SICILY PD DEERS ARE AGREEABLE TO ANY OF  
 THE ABOVE PROPOSAL PROVIDING IN CASE OF ONE THAT WAGONS ARE EXAMINED  
 IMMEDIATELY ON DISCHARGE AT CATANIA AND ARE DEFINITELY USED FOR  
 MAINLAND TRAFFIC ONLY PD

TRANSPORTATION SC

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By Hand : Rail Division - Shipping Branch  
 D.M.R.S.

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

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SECRET

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.,  
RAIL DIVISION  
C/o Transportation Increment,  
C.M.F.

Tel: 843238.  
Our reference: AC/311/Tn.4.

11, March, 1945.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region,  
for Capt. B.W. Boddy, (Reggio).

SUBJECT: Facilities for the unloading of freight cars.

1. Confirming telephone conversation (Major Ping - Capt Boddy)  
1540 hours 10 March, 1945.
2. Please arrange for wrecker crane, understood to be at  
Catanzaro, to be sent to Reggio to assist in unloading freight  
cars from top decks of L.S.T's.
3. The crane is required for railway emergency, and will be  
made immediately available.

*Pauling may*  
O.H. LINDBERG,  
Lieut-Colonel, R.E.  
for MERRITT H. TAYLOR,  
Director.

Copy to: Movements, Tn. Sub-Comm.  
A.F.H.Q. (G-4 Mov & Tn).

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NABA V MBAY NR 45 17 IMMEDIATE QVR 1 A/ MBDE  
 FROM BOBBY REGGIO 081100A  
 TO DMRI - 701 RLY CD DIV NAPLES - TN INC FOR ~~TNSC~~ TNSC ROME  
 QGX GR 50 BT

R369 . RESTD . FOLLOWING 20 USA BOX CARS ARRIVED FROM AFRICA 7 MARCH  
 IN GOOD CONDITION 222663 20074 221332 222712 ~~221404~~ 221404  
 221250 222704 ~~222704~~ 223243 222675 222672 221395 221406 20383 222928 22140  
 222634 223239 221329 20073 20027 RUBBER TUBES ON BRAKES MISSING FROM  
 221250 . ALSO ~~221250~~ ARRIVED 221266 DAMAGED AND BEING FURTHER EXAMINED  
 BT

SENTNR 45 JN AR THKS K  
 RB 45/7 CARTWRIGHT 081200A AR " BIE "  
 QVR 3 IS OURS TOO PAL

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ALLIED FORCE  
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR ITALY

A.F.O. 512  
21 February 1945

453. OP

SUBJECT: Movement of Rolling Stock, No. Africa to Italy.

TO: Commanding Officer, 701st Railway Grand Division,  
Rail Division, Tn Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

1. It is understood that two LST's have been fitted out for the shuttling of cars from North Africa to the mainland of Italy and that they will be discharged at Reggio Calabria. The first cars should be received at Reggio about 27 or 28 February.

2. It is important that an accurate record be maintained and this Headquarters be advised of the individual car numbers, types and condition, as they are received at Reggio.

For the Director:

*R. P. 21022*  
R. P. MOSS  
Lt. Col. T.C.  
Deputy Director-Operations

cc-Supt. Trans.-774th Ry Grand Div.

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ALLIED COMMISSION  
SICILIA REGION HEADQUARTERS  
APO 394

23 February 1945.

TO : Chief Trans Sub-Commission AC (Rail Section.)  
FROM : P.G. MATSON, Major T.C.

1. Inspection was made by Captain Lynch and myself of two L.S.T. ships that had been converted into rolling stock carrying craft.

2. Each of these ships will carry twenty two to twenty four freight wagons, six on deck and balance in the hold and will leave tomorrow for african ports to convey wagons to French & Italian ports.

3. The Hold will only carry flat cars, high sides & U.S.A. box wagons due to the limited clearance. Wagons loaded on Deck will have to be loaded by heavy dock derricks as the L.S.T. has no gear heavy enough to load a wagon.

4. This is submitted for your information as it will probably be at least ten days or more before one of these ships return to Reggio.

*P. G. Matson*  
P.G. MATSON  
Major T.C.  
Trans Sub-Comm.

Pass To TN/4  
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# INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:  
Date/Time of Origin: FEB 28 1730A

Message Centre No: D/3765  
Date Time Rec'd: MAR 01 1030A  
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: REGGIO FROM MATSONI  
TO: TN SUBCOMMISSION AC APO 594 ROME, TN INCREMENT FOR LINDBURGH INFO 704 RLY  
GRAND DIVISION ROME

IN CLEAR.

First trip IST arrived today 20 closed wagons 1 hour 30 minutes to unload.  
All wagons in good condition. Operation very successful. Round trip to AFRICA  
can be made every 6 days.

DIST

ACTION: Tn 3/C  
INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
File

ACTION

HEADQUARTERS  
148205  
A. C.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785021INCOMING MESSAGE  
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSIONOriginator's Reference: R353  
Date/Time of Origin: MAR 01/11230AMessage Centre No: D/3793  
Date Time Rec'd: MAR 01/1700  
Precedence: IMPORTANTFROM: ELAIR REGGIO  
TO: DMRI ROME - CO 701 IVY GD DIV NAPLES, INFO: TN INC FOR S/C ROME.**RESTRICTED**

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Following USA box cars arrived from AFRICA 28 February in good condition, 222615 222737 221280 20079 222742 223236 20259 223379 222583 20537 20214 222919 221765 20522 221438 222761 20076 221667 20253 222732

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Info-Action: TN S/C  
Info: A/PRESIDENT  
CHIEF COMMISSIONER  
ECON SEC  
FILE

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INFO - ACTION

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Allied Force  
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE  
Office of Director - Italy

A.P.O. 512  
2 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Movement of Rolling Stock, North Africa to Italy.  
TO : AC Trans Sub/Comm, Rail Division, Building

1. Reference Col. Moss' letter 28 January, subject as above.
2. Please arrange to have advice furnished promptly to the undersigned, showing the date rolling stock is off-loaded LST's at Reggio, such record to reflect individual wagon number and type.
3. As these wagons are delivered at Reggio, they may be loaded for any destination on the mainland. They must not be loaded for any destination in Sicily. Please have this latter provision clearly understood.

For the Director:

*S. E. London*  
S. E. LONDON  
Captain, TC  
Superintendent Transportation

cc:-AD Tn 3 (M)  
ADD-Equipment  
Major W. S. Blair, AC Tn Sub/Comm, Reggio

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TN INO (Tn Sub-Comm.)

031800

MOV REGGIO FOR BLAIR

04 RESTRICTED (.) ARRIVAL U.S. ROLLING STOCK ANTICIPATED  
REGGIO BEGINNING 7-12 FEBRUARY (.) ARRANGE ISR CHECK AXLEBOXES  
AND RUNNING CONDITION GENERALLY (.) FORWARD RECORD NUMBERS  
AND TYPE OF CARS AS PUT IN SERVICE (.)

*S. L. Blair to May*

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IMPORTANT

G-4 (MOV & EV) A.T.H. 2. WORKING INSTRUCTION No. 2USE OF U.S.A. ROLLING STOCK IN ITALYMOV 3/143

1. It is anticipated that additional U.S.A. railway rolling stock will be imported into ITALY in the near future.
2. U.S.A. rolling stock is normally intended for use on the mainland of ITALY and will NOT therefore be loaded for destinations in SICILY.
3. R.T.O's will give particular attention to the above when rolling stock is being placed to meet the requirements of loading services.

*T.L. Steel*

R.T.L. WELLOWS,  
Brigadier,  
for DMIC (Mov & Tn).

4 Feb 45.  
ct.

DISTRIBUTION:

HQ. Movements, Central ITALY (15)  
 HQ. Movements, West ITALY (15)  
 HQ. Movements, East ITALY (15)  
 HQ. Movements, 5 Army Br Inc. (6)  
 HQ. Movements, 8 Army (Rear) (6)  
 HQ. Movements, 15 Army Gp (2)  
 HQ. Movements RQAL Area (15)  
 C.O.A. (2)

Tn. Sub-Commission (Movements)  
 HQ. Allied Commission.

Mov. L.O. ITALY  
 DMIC, ITALY (4)  
 Tn (B)  
 DMIC Rep.  
 G.4 (..)  
 Q(Maint)  
 Central Registry,  
 G-4 (Mov & Tn).

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123/3

Subject : US Rolling Stock from NORTH AFRICA

Military Railway Service,  
C.M.F.  
Telephone : Firebox 52,  
Outside Line 843667.  
Tn.A.3(M)/68.  
29 Jan. 45.

To : AC Tn Sub Commission (Bag.) (Attention  
Major Baister)

Reference D.D.Ops letter of 28 Jan., N°453 OP,  
the rolling stock referred to consists of 405 20-ton box  
cars, 55 40-ton box car chassis used as flats and 14  
20-ton box car chassis used as flats. Will you please  
arrange with Major Blair that the Italians at REGGIO  
check the axleboxes and generally see that the cars are  
in suitable running condition and also get him to let us  
have the numbers of the cars and type as they are put  
into service.

*W. H. Law*  
A.D. Tn.3(1) 815  
for Brigadier,  
Director Military Railway Service.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AO.

(RAIL DIVISION)

5/o Transportation Increment

C.M.F.

Tel. 843403

Our Ref. AC/304/Tn 4

5 February 1945

TO : Regional Commissioner Southern Region

SUBJECT : Movement of Rolling Stock, North Africa to Italy.

1. Two L.S.s are being converted into non trains to shuttle rolling stock from North Africa to Italy. It is expected that they will discharge at the Ferry Ramp at Reggio.

2. Rail Officer Reggio will please arrange in conjunction with Supr Transportation 774th H.Q.D. for the receipt of this rolling stock at Reggio and for maintaining a proper record.

3. He will also arrange with ISR Reggio to check the axleboxes and generally see that the cars are in suitable running condition.

4. He will forward to this office the individual numbers and types as the cars are put into service.

5. The stock consists of 405. 20 ton box cars 55. 40 ton box car chassis used as flats and 14. 20 ton box car chassis used as flats.

By order of Rear Admiral Stone

O.E. LINDBERG Lt. Col.

for Merritt H. Taylor,  
Director In Sub-Comm.

Copy to Major Blair o/o Movementa Reggio.

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ALLIED FORCES  
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR ITALY

A.P.O. 52  
28 January 1945

453 OF

SUBJECT: Movement of Rolling Stock, North Africa to Italy.

TO: AD Th 3 (M)  
AD Th 3 (C)  
ADD-Equipment  
Supt. Transportation, 77th RGD  
Rail Section, Th Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

1. Two LST's are being converted into sea trains to shuttle rolling stock from North Africa to Italy. It is contemplated these cars will be discharged at the Ferry Ramp at Reggio.
2. Supt. Transportation and AD Th 3 (M) will please arrange for the receipt of this rolling stock at Reggio and proper record maintained.
3. It is contemplated the first shipment will be received 7 to 12 February.

For the Director:

*R. P. Moss*  
R. P. MOSS  
Lt. Col. T.O.  
Deputy Director-Operations

2022