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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR (DMRSI)

Subject : Joint Railway Board - Naples.

Tn.A.3(C) 14/1

21 November 45

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

Copy : Supt. Transportation.

1. With reference to your letter AG/334/Tn4 dated 9 Nov '45 and enclosures.
2. It has been agreed that the Joint Railway Control Board at NAPLES should be dissolved as such, now that the ISR are responsible for operation of the Railway but that the meetings, now held, which are beneficial to all, should be continued under ISR Chairmanship.
3. AFHQ have been requested to issue the necessary instructions to all concerned.



Lt-Col R.E.
for Brigadier,
Director, Military Railway Service.

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MINUTES OF THE THIRTYFIRST RAIL
CONFERENCE HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY
CONTROL EX-OFFICE, NAPLES
THURSDAY 15 NOVEMBER 1945.

Present: MAJOR A. GREGORY DAQUE(M), Movements Naples, in the Chair.

- Joint Railway Control - Capt Cheichel
Lt Enay
- PBS - Lt Frisby
- AC Tr - Sig Bruno
- ISR - Ing Morandi
Ing Marinelli
Sig Novarelli
Sig Giordano

Consideration of Previous Minutes

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(Action ISR - PBS)

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AC/ISR.

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Major.
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AQM(M).

AG/RSR.

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In. S. C. Rail Division
Case No. (R) 1000
C.M.F.

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY EIGHTH RAIL
CONFERENCE HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL
EX-OFFICE, NAPLES THURSDAY 4 OCT 45.

Present : Major L.T. Cox DAQME(1) Movements Naples in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control

- Capt Cheichel
Lt D Eusy
Lt M Dript
Lt J Frishie

AG Tr

- Major V.R. Bowers

ISR

- Ing Marinelli
Sig Giordano
Sig Novarelli
Sig Laghezza

Consideration of Previous Minutes

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(Information)

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In referring to this subject Major Powers stated:-

- (a) Naples Central Station buildings are being cleaned out only once per week, viz: Sunday mornings, and
- (b) Complaints are still being received of travellers being compelled to pay seven times the value of a ticket or alternatively not being able to obtain a ticket at all.

Ing Marinelli said he would take steps to improve the cleaning arrangements at Naples Central, and would also do what he could to stop or at any rate reduce, the corruption which is taking place in connection with railway tickets.
(Action ISR)

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Minute 166 - Disposal of Material at Naples Sniistamento
Marshalling Yard

Ing Marinelli stated that a start will be made on Monday, 8 Oct 45, in clearing Naples Sniistamento of the material etc which at present is lying around by the tracks.
(Information)

175. Cancellio Shunting Engine

Chairman stated that some morning's delay is experienced at the British Engineers Stores Depot because the shunting engine crews do not report for duty until 0800 hours or after.
Ing Marinelli undertook to rectify this.
(Action ISR)

176. Issue of Electric Light Bulbs and arrangements for
re-charging batteries - Medloc Passenger Trains

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(Action ISR)

177. Operating Advices and Guard arrangements at Naples Sniistamento Lower Yard

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(Action ISR - Mov Naples)

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(Action ISR)

General Operating Arrangements at Naples Yard and Naples Central

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Lieut Eusy referred to a complaint he received recently from the ISR concerning the presence of 262 loaded wagons at Naples Yard waiting to be positioned for unloading in Naples Central. After carrying out a physical examination of actual conditions Lt Eusy discovered at Naples Central considerable numbers of empty flats etc which had been allowed to accumulate and occupy valuable track space; also there were wagons which had been loaded on 3 Oct which were still on hand at 1500 hours 4 Oct. In addition Lieut Eusy reported that normally there are 4 shunting engines available for work at Naples Central but on 4 Oct only three engines were working and the ISR had stated that the fourth engine could not be brought into service because there was no crew available.

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- (b) Shortage of engine crews.

Each of these factors was examined and so far as the first one is concerned, Ing Marinelli admitted that his performance statistics reveal that the yards are not fully operative and that the supervisory staffs themselves do not always see that their subordinates work at night even though specific instances are dealt with and punishments administered. He undertook to go into the question of Yard Working generally more closely and endeavour to bring about an early improvement, particularly at Naples Central.

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ACW (M).

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CONFERENCE HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL
EX-OFFICE, NAPLES. THURSDAY 20 SEP 45.

Present :- Major L.T. Cox DAQUG(M) Mo. Naples in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control

Capt F Dugan
Lt S Darnborough
Lt J Frieble

AC Tr

Maj V R Dovers

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Minute 155 - De-requisitioned property at Naples Central

ISR stated that they have heard from their HQ in Rome to the effect that the proposed accommodation may be taken over for purposes as stated provided no objections are raised by US. Capt Dugan said he had seen no communication from MRS on the subject but he would investigate the matter and inform ISR further.
(Action - JRC)

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Chairman said that reports continue to be received concerning pilferage on the section of line San Giovanni - Torre Del Greco - San Maria La Bruna - Torre Annunziata, and evidence points to connivance on the part of ISR personnel. Ing Marinelli explained that every effort is being made to curtail this pilferage and punish railway servants who are found to assist pilferers but at the same time he pointed out that difficulty is experienced owing to shortage of ISR Police. After discussion Ing Marinelli said he would arrange for police to make spot checks and ride some trains through the area in question, and he also undertook to look into the question of availability of ISR Police. Capt Dugan pointed out that the ISR have been trying to obtain police for over a year and the present position as revealed by Ing Marinelli is extremely unsatisfactory.
(Action - ISR)

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Chairman explained that as a result of an investigation into conditions at Casalnuovo following an excessive accumulation of wagons for unloading by a British Returned Vehicle Park, it had been revealed that one of the reasons why wagons were not being promptly unloaded was due to the late arrival of the shunting engine each day. It was stated that it is absolutely essential that this engine is available at Casalnuovo to commence shunting not later than 0700 hrs daily. Ing Marinelli stated that he would make suitable arrangements to ensure punctual arrival of engine in future.
(Action - ISR)

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163. Removal of Hawkers and Sellers from Caserta Station

Chairman indicated the nuisance being created at Caserta by large numbers of hawkers etc, and explained that efforts are being made to have the whole of the station area wired off and guards posted at the entrances. Ing Marinelli stated that only quite recently he had spoken to the Chief of the CC RR at Caserta concerning the removal of those sellers but the area is so open that little success can be expected until the arrangements for wiring and guards have been implemented.

(Action - HQ Mov Naples - ISR)

164. Rostering of Cleaning Staff at Caserta

In response to a request from Chairman, Ing Marinelli undertook to arrange for five ISR cleaners to be rostered for full day duty instead of existing procedure where one man is rostered full-day and four only half-day.

(Action - ISR)

165. Arrangements for Cleaning the Ticket Office, Naples Central

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(Action - ISR)

167. Insufficiency of Wagons for Civilian loadings at Casoria

Major Bowers stated Capo Stations at Casoria had complained that he has experienced difficulty in obtaining sufficient wagons for civilian loadings and alleged that the RTO Casoria although over-indenting for wagons would not permit those wagons surplus to his requirements to be allocated for civilian requirements. Chairman undertook to look into this matter and at the same time correct a tendency amongst RTOs generally whereby wagon indents did not bear true comparison with actual requirements.

(Action - Mov Naples)

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(Action - Mov Naples)

168. Late receipts by AC Warehouses 676 and 696 of AG/Civilian Weekly Rail Loading Programmes

Major Bowers asked ISR to arrange for AG/Civilian Weekly Rail Loading Programmes to be despatched so that AC Warehouses 676 and 696 receive them not later than Fridays. Ing Marinelli said he would arrange.
(Action - ISR)

169. Wagon Supply to AC Warehouses 676 and 696 San Giovanni

Major Bowers stated that food supplies had recently been completely lost through deterioration at AC Warehouses 676 and 696 San Giovanni and investigations concerning this were now proceeding on a very high level. Consequent upon this occurrence a close survey has been made of transportation arrangements at these depots and the following points emerged from the discussion which ensued :-

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169. Wagon Supply to AC Warehouses 676 and 696 San Giovanni (Cont'd)

- (a) Major Bowers instructed ISR to ensure that their Capo Stazione at the depots always pursues through the Car Distributor all cases of non or short wagon supply and takes every possible precaution to have shortages made up without delay.
- (b) Major Bowers explained that by loss of AC Tr recently came down from Rome in regard to this traffic and the Consorzio Agrario agreed that they could handle a total of 60 wagons per day at both warehouses, these wagons being positioned on the basis of 15 to each warehouse in the morning and a further 15 to each warehouse in the evening. Mr Moss was arranging for 60 wagons per day to be worked down daily from Rome for this traffic, and it was stressed by Major Bowers that the ISR must without fail see that these wagons are in fact available at San Giovanni for Warehouses 676 and 696 if required; if it was found that the warehouses themselves could not maintain loading at the rate of 60 wagons per day then Major Bowers said the ISR were to arrange shunts and wagon supply in accordance with requirements of the depots, but nevertheless the ISR must always ensure that wagons to the full extent of 60 per day are available.
- (c) In reply to request from Major Bowers, Ing Marinelli undertook to arrange for a Wagon Repairer to be nominated for duty at Warehouses 676 and 696 for the purposes of carrying out any light repairs which may be necessary.
(Action - ISR)

170. Proposed New Premises for accommodating ISR Sezione Movimento

Capt Dugan asked whether the ISR Sezione Movimento could say how long they would require their existing premises, which were on requisition through P&S, and whether they had any alternative accommodation in view. Ing Marinelli replied that they would like to occupy accommodation situated at Corso Novara 9 and had in fact obtained the agreement of the civilian owner to take over these premises but at the present time they were being used by some RAF and Italian Military personnel. Chairman promised to obtain further information concerning the present occupants and if possible inform ISR through Joint Railway Control when the premises are likely to be vacated.
(Action - Nov Naples)

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(Action - ISR)

172. Occupation of Railway property at Aserra by American Troops

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(Action - ISR)

172. Occupation of Railway property at Aversa by American Troops

It Frisbie referred to request made by ISR to remove some American troops alleged to be occupying railway property at Aversa, and said he has tried to ascertain where these troops are located but without success. Ing Marinelli stated that he would furnish a map indicating the exact location of the troops in order that further action may be taken by PBS Rail Div.
(Action - ISR - PBS Rail Div)

173. Occupation of railway property at Caserta by British Troops

Ing Marinelli said two rooms at Caserta Station were being occupied as living quarters by British troops thereby depriving the ISR of storage accommodation for small parcels traffic. Chairman promised to investigate the matter with a view to identifying the troops in question and if possible arranging for the premises to be vacated.
(Action - Nov Naples)

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174. Coal loaded to rail ex ship at Bagnoli

Ing Marinelli stated that he held written orders from his HQ in Rome, and Capt Parkes (who until quite recently was Senior IRS Rep at Joint Railway Control and has now handed over to Capt Dugan) that only 100 wagons per day could be supplied for loading coal at Bagnoli. He went on to say he has now received authority from Joint Railway Control to increase the supply to 150 wagons per day, and requested that the apparent conflict in orders be clarified. After discussion it transpired that IRS did specify only 100 wagons were to be furnished daily for this traffic and then subsequently agreed verbally with Capt Parkes for distribution to be increased to 150 wagons per day during the first few days after ships started discharging. Apparently this verbal agreement has not been passed to ISP Rome by IRS with the result that no advice has been received by Ing Marinelli. Capt Dugan said he would speak to IRS and have the matter rectified.

(Action - JRC)

Next Conference will be held in Office of Servizio Movimento, ISR, Naples, on Thursday 4 Oct 45 at 1500 hours.

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(L.I. Box) Maj.
Per Lt Col.
AGME(M).

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RTO Naples Central
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MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH RAILWAY CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL AREA
THURSDAY 24 AUGUST 45.

Chairman : Capt H.M.S. Baker S/Capt C (M). Movements Rome Area

- Joint Railway Control
- : Capt E.L. Parks
 - : Lieut M. Metheson
 - : Det C. M. P. O. G. O.
 - : Capt. M. C.
 - : Ing Moscatello
- I.S.R. Cargo Compartments

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91. Minutes of Previous Meeting.

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(Action : J.R.C.)

Reference Minute No. 91. Chairman asked Capt Parks what was the position in regard to I.S.R. wagons underload in the area. Capt. Parks said that apart from one or two isolated cases the position had greatly improved.

(Info).

92. Labelling of wagons by I.S.R.

Chairman drew attention to a complaint from Nov 13 Corps re the labelling of I.S.R. traffic. 48 flats containing Chevrolet trucks had arrived at VENICE without labels, and it was only after considerable trouble that it has been ascertained that the consignor was I.S.R. RAIL, and the consignee I.S.R. VENICE. Chairman told I.S.R. this must not occur again. I.S.R. stated this programme was now finished except for a consignment to PALERMO.

(Action - I.S.R.).

93. Re-organisation of Mov Areas.

Chairman said that Nov ROME now controlled the areas of AREZZO, FLORENCE and LEGHORN. The supply of empties at AREZZO was very satisfactory.

(Info)

94. Closing of Joint Railway Control ROME.

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(Action - I.S.R.).

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(Info)

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Capt. Parks confirmed that it was expected that J.R.C. ROMS would shortly be closed down. Pending full instructions, Chairman said that no more weekly meetings would be held unless specially requested. If any representative desired a meeting to be called to discuss important matters he would approach Mov ROMS with the request.

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(THIS LAKER) Capt. A. S.
S/Capt 2 (M).

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MINUTES OF SEVENTH RAILWAY CONFERENCE HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE

ROME

THURSDAY 2 AUGUST 45

Chairman : Major G.C. Oliver D.A.C.M.G.(A) H.Q. Movements Sub-Area ROME.

Joint Railway Control

: Capt G.L. Paris
: Capt G.R.G. Tonks
: Lieut T. Patteson
: Ing Gatti
: Ing Gattolico

Tn A.C. ROME

: Capt Will

H.Q. Mov ROME

: Capt H.H.S. Baker

I.S.R. Capo Compartimento

: Ing Kosontello

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85. Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Reference Minute No. 81. I.S.R. replied that the Capo at SAN MARINELLA had sent the train out without feeding on the instructions of an Italian Policeman.

Chairman did not accept this reply and told I.S.R. they must get a full explanation from the Capo Stazione. I.S.R. must see that this does not occur again and that any alteration to turning arrangements must be agreed with J.R.C.

(Action - I.S.R.).

Reference Minute No. 83. Chairman asked I.S.R. to platform the MEDLOC trains at TERMINI on platforms where there is good lighting. R.T.O. ROME (Termini) will arrange this direct with Capo Stazione.

(Action - I.S.R. and R.T.O. ROME (Termini)).

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Joint Railway Control said that they would supply empties as indented for, bearing this in mind.

(Action - J.R.C.).

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(Action - I.S.R.).

86. Move of 557 B.O.D. Main Gun Park.

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(Action - J.R.C.).

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(Action - I.S.R.).

86. Move of 557 B.O.D. Main Gun Park.

Mr ROSE said that the move of the above Depot from ROSE to MONTE CORVING would be taking place soon. It involved the move of approximately 3,000 guns and 2,000 tons of gun barrels (all varieties).

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Chairman said that as soon as this was agreed by J.R.C. at the R.O.C. Conference, details would be worked out and rate of loading etc agreed.

(Info).

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87. A.C. Traffic at CERRANO.

Joint Railway Control said there was approximately 60 wagons of A.C. traffic on hand at CERRANO and asked A.C. representative how many wagons could be offloaded per day. Capt Hall replied that the maximum was 15 wagons.

Difficulties had been caused by lack of shunting power, but J.R.C. had made special arrangements to overcome this, and it was expected the backlog would soon be cleared.

(Action - Tn A.C.)

88. A.C. Traffic at ROME (SAN LORENZO).

Capt Faris said that on a recent check at SAN LORENZO it appeared that a number of wagons of different commodities were arriving with A.C. labels which he did not consider was programmed traffic. Capt Hall disagreed with this, but it was agreed that Capt Faris would take another check at SAN LORENZO in the near future and compare the traffic with the A.C. Programme. The trouble was that there was no A.C. or Military representative at SAN LORENZO to keep a watch on this traffic.

(Action - J.R.C.)

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(G.C. OLIVER) Major R.E.,
 D.A.Q.M.G. (H)

Capt Davis said that on a recent check at SAN LORTZO it appeared that a number of wagons of different commodities were arriving with A.C. labels which he did not consider was programmed traffic. Capt Hall disagreed with this, but it was agreed that Capt Davis would take another check at SAN LORTZO in the near future and compare the traffic with the A.C. Programme. The trouble was that there was no A.C. or Military representative at SAN LORTZO to keep a watch on this traffic.

(Action - J.S.C.).

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MINUTES OF THE JOINT RAILWAY CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE

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THURSDAY 05 JULY 45

Chairman : Major G.C. Oliver D.A.C.M.G. (M), H.Q. Movements Sub-Area ROCE

Joint Railway Control : Capt E.L. Parks
: Capt G.E.G. Tonks
: Lieut C. Asherson
: Mr. Dault
: Dett. Officer

A.C. Movements Sub-Area ROCE : Lieut A.C. Scott

P.L.S. : Cpl. Eisenberg

T.A.G. ROCE : Capt. Hall

I.S.R. Cargo Compartments : Mr. Pasco
: Mr. Ostrologo

69. Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Reference Minute No. 48. ISR stated that disinfecting plant at OSTROLOGO will not be ready for use for a further ten days due to difficulty in securing necessary material.

Reference Minute No. 59. Chairman stated that the ISR proposal for marshalling at SUSTINEMENTO was acceptable to MRS. It was understood that the scheme would come into operation, for NORTHBOUND traffic v.c.f. 10 July and for SOUTHBOUND, when the necessary construction work had been completed, in approximately six weeks' time. ISR to keep JAG informed.

(Action - ISR).

Reference Minute No. 64. Chairman stated AFHQ have no objection to traffic for BOLOGNA and NORTH going either via line 55 or via line 50 from ROCE. It was therefore agreed to leave the matter in the hands of ISR.

Reference Minute No. 65. Chairman stated that AFHQ had now agreed to the cancellation of the Friday Box Car service for troops to AREZZO.

70. POW Trains via Line 50.

Now ROCE complained that POW trains ex NORTH EAST ITALY to CISTELLA, moving under PES arrangements, are arriving without advice and short of rations. Two instances were quoted. PES stated that advices were received by US RTO, by MRS and Joint Railway Control. PES representative agreed to ask senders to include the appropriate Movements Areas on future signals.

(Action - PES).

71. Marshalling at SUSTINEMENTO.

R.L.S.
 : Cpl. Eisenberg
 : Capt. Hall
 : Sgt. Fusco
 : Sgt. Ostrologov
 : Capt. Carpentier
 : Capt. Hall
 : Sgt. Fusco
 : Sgt. Ostrologov

Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Reference Minute No. 48. ISR stated that disinfecting plant at OSTREMER will not be ready for use for a further ten days due to difficulty in securing necessary material.

Reference Minute No. 52. Chairman stated that the ISR proposal for marshalling at SMISTAMENTO was acceptable to MTS. It was understood that the scheme would come into operation, for NORTHBOUND traffic w.e.f. 10 July and for SOUTHBOUND, when the necessary construction work had been completed, in approximately six weeks' time. ISR to keep JAG informed.

(Action - ISR).

Reference Minute No. 64. Chairman stated AMHQ have no objection to traffic for FOLIGNO and NORTH going either via line 55 or via line 50 from ROME. It was therefore agreed to leave the matter in the hands of ISR.

Reference Minute No. 63. Chairman stated that AMHQ had now agreed to the cancellation of the Friday Box Car service for troops to AREZZO.

POW Trains via Line 50.

Gov ROME complained that POW trains ex NORTH EAST ITALY to CASTELL, moving under PIS arrangements, are arriving without advice and short of rations. Two instances were quoted. PIS stated that advices were received by US RTO, by MTS and Joint Railway Control. PIS representative agreed to ask senders to include the appropriate Movements Areas on future signals.

(Action - PIS).

Marshalling at SMISTAMENTO.

Gov ROME stated that a complaint had been received from Gov ROME regarding marshalling at SMISTAMENTO. It appeared that considerable re-arranging had to take place at FOLIGNO. Gov Tonks pointed out that traffic for Line 57 had decreased so much recently that it was now not always practicable to make up complete trains for particular sections of the line, without holding back wagons for an unreasonable time.

Now Rome quotes statement from RTO SISMMENTO which confirmed this and adds that we are still being marshalled in consecutive rows for the various stations. ISR were asked to see that wagons for each station were marshalled together and that wherever possible train makeup should comply with current instructions.

(Action - ISR).

72. Unauthorized Italian Travel.

Now Rome states that civilians were using the workers' trains from Rome to SISMMENTO for the purpose of proceeding thence by unauthorized use of freight trains. Capt Parks pointed out that it is the responsibility of TWR to see that only properly authorized workers use these trains.

74. ISR Material Unloaded.

Capt Parks stated that a recent count showed 100 cars in the Compartiments unloaded with ISR material, 52 of them having been unloaded more than 48 hours. Ing Tenti stated that he had already issued instructions on this matter but that he would take further action to improve the situation.

(Action - ISR).

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(G.C. OLIVER) Major IE,
D.L.Q.M.G. (M).

Distribution:

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- R.O.C. EARL.
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- D.L.Q.M.G. (M).
- S/Chief Clerk.
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74. ISR/Infantry Underload.

Capt Tonks stated that a recent count showed 108 cars in the Compartiments underload with ISR material, 32 of them having been underload more than 48 hours. Ing Tenti stated that he had already issued instructions on this matter but that he would take further action to improve the situation.

(Action - ISR).

(C.C. OLIVER) Major RB,
D.L.C.M.G. (M).

ACS/JCHS.

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- May L.O. M.A.S.

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- D.A. M.G. (M).
- Capt G (M).
- Traffic Office.

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MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE,
NAPLES, THURSDAY 21 JUNE 1945



Present : Major R.S.S. Fithouse, DAQMG(M), Movements NAPLES in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control

- Capt G.H. CHAPMAN
- Capt N. CLAGUE
- Lieut. E. FRIT

HQ Movements Naples

- Capt L.A. COX

ISR

- Sig GIORDANO
- Sig NAVARELLI
- Sig LAGHEZZA

Consideration of Previous Minutes

Minute 83 - Ferrovia Esercitata Perrotta (Cancello -
Senevento Railway)

Chairman pointed out to ISR that the Conference referred to in last weeks minutes had not been called as a further "fall" has occurred in a tunnel at ARPALA which will delay the opening of the line. He stated that the matter had been submitted to AFHQ for a ruling but this should not be interpreted by the ISR as amending or cancelling the instructions they have received through DMRS regarding operating etc arrangements with the Ferrovia Esercitata Perrotta. (Action ISR)

Minute 86 - Shunting at Acerra

Joint Railway Control reported that a considerable improvement had taken place at Acerra following the introduction of two shunts per day. Negotiations were now proceeding with the ISR to provide a third shunt daily. (Information)

Minute 87 - In Materials required for the construction of a spur at Vola for the purpose of offloading 15 Vehicles

Chairman explained that it is very unlikely that authority will be given for the construction of the second siding at Vola which at first it was thought would be required to offload "dead" tanks and act as a relief to the existing siding for which an end dock will be constructed by British Military personnel. (Information)

HQ Movement Bayles

Capt L.T. COX

ISR

Sig GIORDANO
Sig NAVARRELLI
Sig LACCHETTAConsideration of Previous MinutesMinute 83 - Ferrovie Esecutata Ferrotta (Cancello -
Benevento Railway)

Chairman pointed out to ISR that the Conference referred to in last weeks minutes had not been called as a further "call" has occurred in a tunnel at Arpaia which will delay the opening of the line. He stated that the matter had been submitted to ASHQ for a ruling but this should not be interpreted by the ISR as amending or cancelling the instructions they have received through DMRS regarding operating etc arrangements with the Ferrovie Esecutata Ferrotta.
(Action ISR)

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(Information)

Minute 87 - In Materials required for the construction of a spur
at MOLA for the purpose of offloading "L" Vehicles

Chairman explained that it is very unlikely that authority will be given for the construction of the second siding at Mola which at first it was thought would be required to offload "lead" tanks and act as a relief to the existing siding for which an end dock will be constructed by British Military personnel.

(Information)

Minute 88 - Parking Space for 300 Road Vehicles being supplied to ISR

Sig Giordano reported that Ing Marinelli has visited the OC 326 Th Stores Depot and as far as he is aware, satisfactory arrangements have been made for 300 Road Vehicles to be stabled at Foggiorale pending availability of other accommodation in Naples.

(Information)

Wagons of ISR Coal under load at Stations in the Naples Compartimento.

Joint Railway Control rep stated that the ISR are not rendering complete and accurate daily statistics in respect of wagons of ISR coal on hand at stations in the Naples Compartimento. It was stated that the reports do not include figures for all the stations ISR have been instructed in writing to provide, and the statistics actually being supplied are invariably inaccurate. ISR stated they would go into this matter and ensure in future that complete and accurate daily wagon reports of ISR coal on hand would be given to Joint Railway Control.
(Action) ISR)

Next Conference

Next Conference will be held in Joint Railway Control Office Naples 1500 hours Thursday 28 June 46.

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R. Pithouse
(R. PITHOUSE).
Major.
for Lt. Col.
AMG(M).

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25 June 1945

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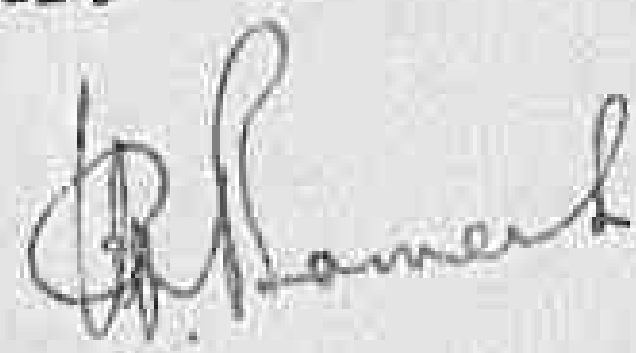
TO : Transportation S.C. A.C.
(Rail Division)
care Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

1. Reference your AC/334/Tn 4 19 June 45.
2. Since the Rail officer (Lieut Strand) was withdrawn from Naples it has been found quite impossible for the S.T.O. to attend J.R.C. and other meetings, as desired.
This would have been done in the ordinary course of events had it been in any way possible.
3. Rail problems and freight movements are only a small part of the duties now required of the Senior Transportation Officer here. The senior J.R.C. officer, Capt Chapman of M.R.S., lives with the writer and knows everything about A.C. matters, as we discuss our daily work together every evening. We both now mess at Mov.Sub Area Mess, where again any difficulties are very quickly smoothed out by all of us. In addition I keep I.S.R. fully informed of all activities of interest to them.
4. With the foregoing in view, it is not considered that the minutes of the J.R.C. meetings represent a true picture of the actual position, with regard to A.C. Any queries that are raised at a meeting are dealt with satisfactorily within a few minutes; and as Joint Railway Control and I.S.R. are handling their railroad themselves, the few points which concern A.C. are so few and far between as not to warrant

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leaving the office unattended for the length of time required, to the exclusion of more important business.

For the Commissioner:



V.R. BOWERS
Major
Senior Transportation Officer

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I consider it is the duty of Major Bowers to attend all meetings of J.R.C. Off the record conversations are excellent at times but it is essential the minutes of J.R.C. meetings give the actual position so far as A.C. is concerned. We cannot allow ourselves to rely on MRS rep to look after an 532925. I may be biased in my opinion but I cannot agree 'Rail' is only a small part

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of his job. Suggest a definite order
be given to Powers to attend every
meeting.

W. B. Baker
Lt Col.
30 June 45

MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES, THURSDAY 14 JUNE 1945

TN(Rail)
Ln(Rail) Main
C.R.F.F.

Present: Major R.S.C. Pithouse, DAQM(M), Movements NAPLES in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control

Capt G.H. CHAPMAN
Capt M. CLAGUE
Lieut. M. FRIST

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Date will be advised to all concerned as soon as possible.
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(Action - Mov Naples)

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Joint Railway Control cited an incident on 14 Jun when current was switched off in the Maddaloni Area for two hours, and all trains were stopped. No notification was received through ISR Channels.
Chairman pointed out that this particular incident re-acted most unfavourably on troop trains destined for Naples which were in the area at that time, and for which detailed reception arrangements had been made.
ISR explained that the current was switched off on this occasion because of a fault in the sub-station at Caserta. JRC will however be informed immediately of any such incidents in future.
(Action - ISR)

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86. Shunting at Acerra.

Joint Railway Control reported that the converted 2½ tons truck which has been used for shunting at Acerra has broken down, and requested adequate shunting by ISR loco in replacement.

Chairman emphasised the importance of prompt replacement in view of the very heavy traffic being dealt with at that station. ISR confirmed that the necessary shunting loco will be made available forthwith.

(Action - ISR)

87. Tn Materials required for the construction of a spur at NOLA for the purpose of offloading 'A' Vchs.

ISR asked if one turn out and 100 fishplates could be supplied for the a/m work.

Chairman explained that DMRS final approval for the construction was awaited and when this is received a demand will be made for the materials required.

(Action - Mov Naples)

88. Parking space for 300 Road Vchs being supplied to ISR

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Chairman instructed ISR to approach OC Tn SD and agree details direct with him.

(action - ISR)

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MINUTES OF THE TWELFTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES, THURSDAY 7 JUNE 1945



Present: Major R.S.C. Pithouse, DAQM(M), Movements Sub Area NAPLES
in the Chair.

HQ Mov Sub Area Naples - Lt. Col. J. MILMAN

Joint Railway Control - Capt G.H. CHAPMAN
Capt N. CLAGUE
Lieut M. FRIPT

ISR - Ing. MARINELLI
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Chairman drew attention to the fact that POL loadings for Ancona from AGIP and NAFTA Installations have not been combined and forwarded as one train from Naples Yard as requested. ISR stated that arrangements have now been made for both installations to be shunted at approximately 1300 hrs each evening and gave assurance that provided loadings are completed by this time traffic will be forwarded as one train in future. (Action ISR)

78. Shunting at Marcella and Viscoosa Sidings

Chairman informed the meeting that shunting of Marcella and Viscoosa Sidings has recently been most unsatisfactory. Wagons arriving at Naples Yard for these sidings have stood for as long as 10 days before being placed for offloading. Chairman stated that RTO Naples has been instructed to report such cases more promptly, but asked that the ISR pay more attention to the shunting of these sidings in future. Full details of inward and outwards traffic for these sidings are held by RTO Naples and Chairman requested that ISR issue suitable instructions on the matter to the Capo Stazione Naples Central.

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Joint Railway Control pointed out that an instruction had already been issued by DARS to Director General ISR stating that the ISR were to contact the owner of the Ferrovie Esercitate Perrotta and agree all necessities for the operation of the line. ISR are responsible for the provision of any locos, rolling stock staff etc that the Ferrovie Esercitate Perrotta are unable to provide from their own sources.
(Action ISR)

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80. Ferrovie Esercitate Perrotta (Cancello - Benevento Railway)

ISR asked what type of traffic is expected to be conveyed on this railway when opened. Chairman stated that it is to be used solely for Military traffic and such traffic will consist mainly of troop trains to CERVINARA. Date of opening line CANCELLO to CERVINARA is estimated to be 20 June 45. (Information)

81. Operation of line to Carinola - Troop Concentration Area

ISR confirmed that the necessary staff for the operation of the line between Sparanise and Carinola are now available. This line is being re-opened for the movement of troops to the Carinola concentration area. (Information)

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for Lt. Col.
ACMG(M).

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(R. PITHOUSE).
Major,
for Lt.Col.
ACMG(M).

Consideration of Previous Minutes.

Minute 41 - Baggage Van on Naples to Bari via Taranto Military Passenger Train.

Joint Railway Control reported that the larger baggage wagon originally intended for use on the Military Passenger Train had been placed on the Civilian Passenger Train which runs between Naples and Reggio. Chairman asked I.S.R. for explanation and they stated that extra baggage space was also required on the civilian passenger train and that to meet both demands they had placed one large wagon on the civilian train and have now available a pool of smaller wagons which enables them to place two baggage wagons on the Military trains, as this will give the required increased baggage accommodation Chairman agreed that the matter need not be pursued further.

Minute 41 - Railway Telephone Facilities.

Chairman informed I.S.R. that Military Signals Officer is in a position to fulfill five requests made by I.S.R. and if I.S.R. Signals Officer will contact him, the necessary details will be arranged.
(action - I.S.R.)

Minute 62 - Reconstruction of Station at Eboli.

Chairman informed the meeting that this question had been investigated during the week and that it has been possible to meet I.S.R. demands.

Minute 70 - Removal of empties intended for Military loading.

I.S.R. reported that, contrary to statement made by R.I.O. T. Annunziata that Capo Stazione at Angri took empty wagons intended for loading at Torre Annunziata, it was the R.I.O. Torre Annunziata who interfered with wagon distribution orders given by the I.S.R. Wagon Distribution Office. A report to this effect was rendered by I.S.R. and details of other instances where the R.I.O. is purported to have given Movement Orders for empty wagons was cited. Chairman stated it was clearly understood by R.I.Os that distribution of empty wagons to meet all commitments is the responsibility of the I.S.R. but agreed to investigate the whole matter with R.I.O. T. Annunziata.
(action - Mov. Naples).

Minute 72 - Provision of Office for R.I.O. Staff in Naples East Yard.

I.S.R. reported that satisfactory arrangements had been made with the R.I.O. in regard to accommodation for the R.I.O. and staff at Naples East Yard.

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Minute 74 - Military Representation in I.S.R. Wagon Distribution Office.

The meeting was informed of the failure to supply box wagons to cover the entrainment of US Troops at Caserta at 0800 hrs 1 June. Joint Railway Control explained that in their present position instructions could only be passed to the representative of the Dirigente in their building who in turn telephones the Wagon Control Office. There is no means of confirming that orders have been acted upon and much time is lost when priority demands entail last minute alterations to wagon distribution. It was therefore agreed that 1 Officer and 1 OR from the Joint Railway Control Staff will in future be located in the Wagon Control Office. This staff will transmit all orders for Military loadings direct to the I.S.R. Wagon Control and will be in a position to advise priorities as and where necessary.

(Info)

Next Conference.

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Mv Mov Sub Area Rome
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Mov 10 'A' Sec SID Rome
Mv Benevento
Mv Cancelli

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MINUTES OF THE TENH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES, THURSDAY 24 MAY 45.

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Present: Major R.S.G. Pithouse, D.A.C.G.(M), Movement Sub Area Naples
in the chair.

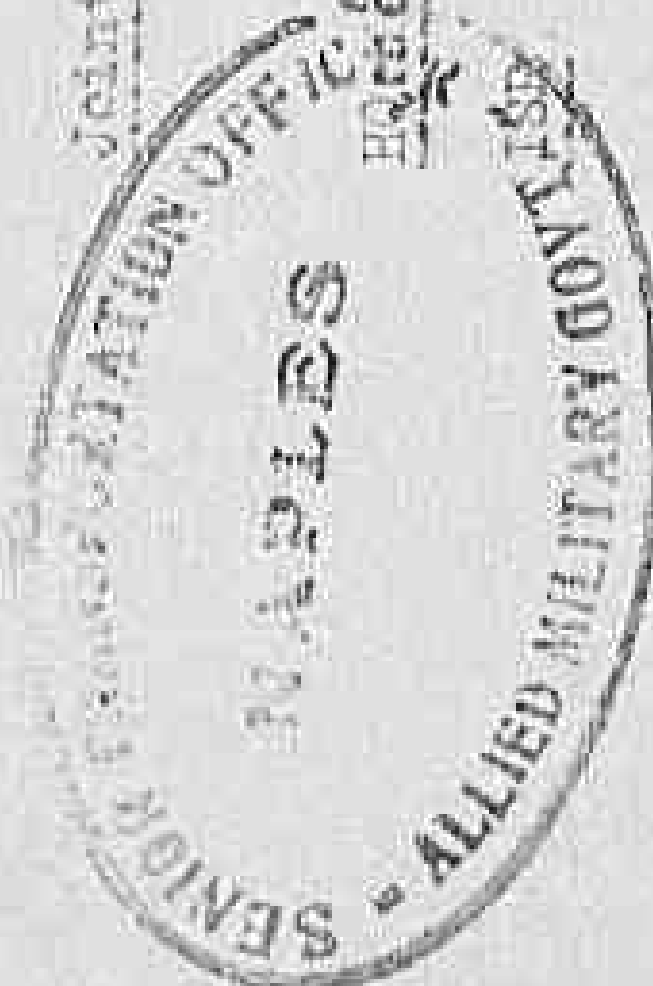
Joint Railway Control

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Lieut N. FRIST

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Consideration of Previous Minutes

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(Action - Joint Railway Control)

Minute 55 - Hygiene Arrangements at Naples Central Station

ISR informed Chairman that authority has now been received from Rome
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Agreement has been reached with a contractor and work will start
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(Action ISR)

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Minute 56 - Doubling of Track between San Giovanni and Torre Annunziata

ISR stated that the line Naples - Torre del Greco would be ⁵³¹⁰³³ in 2 months but that for the section Torre del Greco - Torre Annunziata certain materials were still required. On receipt of these materials, a further month's work would be necessary before this section of the line could be completed.

Minute 66 - Movement of Fruit and Vegetables from Campi Flegrei to Rome

ISR stated that this movement is now proceeding satisfactorily.

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SIC LACCHETTA

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69. Reconstruction of Station at Eboli.

Chairman stated that application had been received by RTO Eboli from ISR Railway Construction Department for certain work to be carried out at Eboli Station. This work apparently necessitates the removal of a Military Signals Line.

Chairman instructed ISR to make full investigation and report requirements at next meeting so that the project may be followed up with the appropriate Military Authorities.
(Action ISR)

70. Removal of Empties intended for Military Loading.

Chairman referred to report from RTO Torre Annunziata which stated that empties en route from Salerno to Torre Annunziata for Military loading were being detached by C.S. at Angri. Matter had been taken up in correspondence by Joint Railway Control and reply by ISR is awaited.
(Action ISR)

71. Interchange of Cars at Battipaglia.

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(Action ISR)

73. Handling of Supply Trains from Port to Marcianise and Casoria.

The Chairman tendered his appreciation to ISR on the efficient way in which they had handled recent trains of Supplies loaded in open stock from Naples Port to Marcianise and Casoria.
(Information)

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75. Disposal of Surplus Emptys in Naples Compartmento.

ISR raised the question of disposal for surplus open wagons and flats in the Naples Compartmento. Chairman pointed out that this was the responsibility of DEMS. It was not considered that there would be any appreciable surplus of high side open wagons, in view of the fact that the acute shortage of box wagons is necessitating heavy usage of high sides for the conveyance of stores which would normally be loaded into box wagons. Chairman instructed Joint Railway Control to pursue question of disposal of surplus low side wagons and flats with DEMS. (Action Joint Railway Control)

Next Conference.

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A. P. H. G. M.

(R. PITHOUSE).
Major.
for Lt. Col.
AQM (11).

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(R. PINHOUSE).
Major.
for Lt. Col.
AQMG(H).

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23 May 1949

Tel. 243238
Ref. AO/334/Tn 4

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Directed 5323

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MRS (Lt Col Moss)
O C Train Guards Italy

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MINUTES OF THE NINTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES, THURSDAY 17 MAY 45.

Present: Major R.S.C. Pithouse, D.A.M.G.(M), Movements Sub Area NAPLES
in the chair.

Joint Railway Control - Capt S.S. Edwards
HQ Mov Sub Area Naples - Capt L.F. Cox
ISR - Sig Giordano
Sig Nevorelli
Sig Laghezza
In Attendance: 3th Port HQ - Major Tumlin

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TRANSPORTATION
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Minute 41 - Railway Telephone Facilities

ISR stated that telephone facilities to Salerno have not yet been provided. Chairman undertook to speak to the Military Signals Officer but pointed out that the ISR should also enquire of their Signals Officer the result of his negotiations with the Military Signals Officer. Subject to be raised again at next week's Conference.
(Action HQ Mov Naples - ISR)

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66. Doubling of Track between San Giovanni and Torre Annunziata

Chairman instructed ISR to ascertain and inform Joint Railway Control as quickly as possible whether it is intended to complete construction of the second running track between San Giovanni and Torre Annunziata and if so when the work will be completed.
(Action ISR)

67. Transfer of empty wagons to Calabria via Battipaglia

Joint Railway Control rep stated that DERS have requested that special attention be given by ISR to the transfer of 35 mixed empty High and Low Sided wagons each day from the Naples Compartimento to Calabria via Battipaglia. Chairman emphasised to the ISR the importance of ensuring that this stock is supplied to Calabria each day in addition to the train of 65 empty box cars from Rome.

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IS JOINT ALLIANCE CONTROL OFFICE

ROME

THURSDAY 26 APRIL 1945

Chairman : Major G.C. Oliver D.A.Q.M.G.(M) H.Q. Movements Sub-Area Rome

Joint Railway Control : Capt. Parkes
Capt. Tonks
Lt. Pickering
Ing. Tenti
Ing. Ostrolegio

H.Q. Movements Sub-Area Rome : Capt. Blawie

Tn. P.B.S. Rome : Cpl. Isenbacher

Tn. A.C. Rome Region : Capt. Newby

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(Info)

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(Action : J.R.C., I.S.R.)

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I.S.R. rep requested that to facilitate the work a direct telephone line be installed between the offices of the Rome and Naples J.R.C.s. Chairman agreed this would be desirable and undertook to investigate the possibility, but pointed out that in the meantime, the military telephone facilities were available to I.S.R. reps at J.R.C. Capt. Tonks undertook to explain to I.S.R. reps how to obtain communication with J.R.C. Naples on the Military telephone system.

14. Even Flow of Traffic

Chairman called the attention of I.S.R. reps to the necessity of maintaining an even flow of traffic to the north. He referred to the recent accumulation of traffic at Naples, and pointed out that there had been a tendency to concentrate all power on lines 89/90,

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14. Even Flow of Traffic (Contd)

and to starve lines 65 and 67 of power, thus creating a block of traffic in Rome. It was emphasised that a balance of power must be maintained.

(Action : J.R.C., I.S.R.)

15. Control of Locomotive Power

Capt. Parkes stated that it was found that 37 of the Rome Link were being detained in the Naples - Caserta area instead of working trains back to Rome. Chairman requested I.S.R. to take the necessary action to ensure the return of these locos, and undertook to place the matter before J.R.C. Naples through H.Q. Movements West Italy

(Action : I.S.R., Mov Rome).

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Traffic Office.

Major R.B.
D.A.Q.M.G. (M)

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES, THURSDAY 19 APRIL 1945

Present : Lt Col G.W. Brown, AG29(M),
HQ Movements West Italy in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control: Capt G. Chapman
Capt M. Walbank
Lieut M. Fript

Tn Officer (Rail) A.O.: Lieut I. Strand

HQ Movements West Italy: Capt L. T. Cox

ISR: Ing Marinelli
Sig Giordano
Sig Navaroli
Sig Laghezza

In Attendance: 8th Port HQ Major Fumlin
Lieut Sheldis

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(Information)

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Minute 29 - ISR Officials Travelling on Military Passenger Trains **5319**

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In Attendance: 8th Port HQ Major Tulin
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(Action : HQ Nov West Italy)

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(Action : AC In Rep with ISR)

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44. Baggage Van on Naples to Bari via Taranto Military Passenger Train.

Chairman instructed ISR to investigate the possibility of providing a larger baggage van on the above train. Joint Railway Control to follow up with ISR and arrange accordingly.

(Action : ISR - Joint Railway Control)

45. Shunting at Caserta

Chairman stated that instances had been reported of shunting operations at Caserta being performed in such a manner as to foul the level crossing on route 87 for unnecessarily long periods with resulting inconvenience to military road traffic. ISR were instructed to ensure that strict attention was paid to this point and that Capo Stazione Caserta be advised to give particular attention during the following 'peak' periods of road movement :-

0800 hours to 0930 hours	} daily
1200 hours to 1430 hours	
1800 hours to 1930 hours	

(Action : ISR)

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(Action : ISR)

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 HQ MOVEMENTS WEST ITALY.

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MINUTES OF THE THIRD RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE, NAPLES,
THURSDAY 5 APRIL 1945

PRESENT: Capt L.T. COX 3/C 8(M) Rail, HQ Movements WEST ITALY
in the chair.

Joint Railway Control - Capt J. ROELL
Capt G. CHAPMAN
Capt H. WALKER
Lieut M. FRIPT

Rail Div PES South - Major PORRES

AC In Naples - Lieut STRAND

ISR -
Ing. MARINELLI
Sig. GIORDANO
Sig. NAVONELLI
Sig. LACCHETTA

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(Action: HQ Mov WEST ITALY - Joint Railway Control - ISR)

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(Information)

Minute 15 - Warehouse Accommodation - CAPPI FLEGRI. PES rep stated that it was not at present possible for the US 3M Unit using the warehouse at CAPPI FLEGRI to allocate any of the accommodation to the ISR.
(Information)

Minute 21 - AC Wagon Requirements TORRE ANNUNZIATA/CASERTA/AVERSA. Chairman reported that a strike amongst 200 civilian workers has been

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Rail Div PAS South -

Major FORBES

AC On Naples -

Lieut STANLEY

ISR -

ING. MARINELLI
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(Information)

Minute 21 - AC Wagon Requirements FORBES MARINELLI/CASTELLANARE. Chairman reported that a strike amongst the civilian workers had been the cause of the recent drop in the AC Grain loadings but that 18 wagons were loaded on 4 Apr and it is expected that normal loadings will soon be resumed. ISR complained of interference on the part of the PTO in allocation of wagons amongst different civilians; Chairman promised to investigate this complaint.
(Action: HQ NOV WEST ITALY)

Minute 22 - Military Traffic Working. ISR reported that efforts are being made to improve the service for Northbound Ordnance traffic on PONTESAGHINO/MONTECORVINO but in many cases delays arise owing to shortage of braked wagons to take trains over the CMPI Bank between SALERNO and NOCERA.

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Chairman asked ISR to investigate the possibility of combining Northbound Ordnance traffic on SAN GIOVANNI with similar traffic on ACIP, NAZER and SIAP Installations and Transportation Stores on POGGIOREALE, and including all this on the train which leaves NAPLES Yard at 1000 hours daily via IVREA and Line 82.

Chairman referred to a Military Train ex AREZZO 4 April destined for NAPLES CENTRAL which was held at VIAREGGIO 5 April for one hour to wait for a Northbound Civilian Passenger Train. ISR undertook to investigate this occurrence and take suitable action to ensure that priority is given in future to Allied Military Trains.

(Action : ISR)

Minute 25 - Use of Brake Wagons at NOCERA. ISR reported that they are investigating the possibility of making arrangements to ensure an adequate and constant supply at all times of brake wagons at NOCERA. Chairman stated that trains with line 90 traffic frequently arrive at CANICELLI partly marshalled with braked wagons consigned to East Italy. ISR stated in reply that the yard accommodation at NOCERA does not permit of extensive marshalling and that CANICELLI is better equipped for doing this work.

(Information)

28. Marshalling of Northbound Traffic - Lines 88 and 90

Chairman asked ISR whether arrangements could be made for Northbound traffic moving over Lines 88 and 90 to be marshalled in the following combinations.

- (a) Line 50 and BOLT FUSCOLINO.
- (b) Lines 66, 87 and 88.

Capt CHURMAN, Joint Railway Control pointed out that the number of trains dealt with at C.S.M.B. did not permit this (insofar as line 90 traffic is concerned) without causing delay and congestion at C.S.M.B. and also other yards in the N. P.L.S. area.

ISR stated that at present this is not possible for traffic moving over Line 82 but it is hoped to be able to forward trains in marshalled order when suitable facilities have been provided at VILLI LITerno. (Information)

29. ISR Officials Travelling on Military Passenger Trains

Chairman informed ISR of recent decision given by AFHQ that ISR officials on duty may travel in the brake vans (not coaching stock) of Military Passenger trains on production of the MHS Pink Pass. (Information)

30. Provision of Latrines at SAN GIOVANNI for ISR Personnel

Chairman instructed ISR to arrange provision of latrine accommodation for ISR personnel at SAN GIOVANNI. It was stated that an application was submitted through Joint Railway Control nearly a month ago for this accommodation to be provided and as far as action has been taken. ISR promised to take up the matter at once.

(Action : ISR)

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- (a) Line 80 and ROME NISCOLINI.
- (b) Lines 85, 87 and 86.

Capt CHAPMAN, Joint Railway Control pointed out that the number of trains dealt with at CANCELLO did not permit this (insofar as line 80 traffic is concerned) without causing delay and congestion at CANCELLO and also other yards in the M.FIES area.

ISR stated that at present this is not possible for traffic moving over line 89 but it is hoped to be able to forward trains in marshalled order when suitable facilities have been provided at VILLA LITerno.
(Information)

29. ISR Officials Travelling on Military Passenger Trains

Chairman informed ISR of recent decision given by AFHQ that ISR officials on duty may travel in the brake vans (not carrying stock) of Military Passenger Trains on production of the ERS Pink Pass.
(Information)

30. Provision of Latrines at SAN GIOVANNI for ISR Personnel

Chairman instructed ISR to arrange provision of latrine accommodation for ISR personnel at SAN GIOVANNI. It was stated that an application was submitted through Joint Railway Control nearly a month ago for this accommodation to be provided and as far as action has been taken, ISR promised to take up the matter at once.
(Action : ISR)

31. Facilities at Stations for Allied Female Personnel

Chairman advised ISR that there are 400 rooms at M.FIES CENTRAL Station which the HQ considers to be suitable for use as rest rooms for Allied female personnel. ISR will ascertain from the HQ where the rooms are actually located and will advise at next week's conference whether arrangements can be made with the HQ Sections in view for the accommodation to be renovated.
(Action : ISR)

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32. Issue of Orders to Capes Stations by Allied Military Personnel

ISR stated that difficulties are still arising at stations as a result of conflicting orders being given to Capes by different Allied officers. They requested that a list be supplied of the names of all RTOs so that Capes will know whether orders they receive are in fact emanate from the RTO. It was pointed out to ISR that Capes should accept no orders from any Allied personnel at stations other than the RTOs or their staffs. The list of RTOs names will be supplied as requested.

(Action : HQ NOV WEST ITALY - PBS Rail Div)

33. Southbound Train Advices given by Joint Railway Control to PBS Rail Div

Joint Railway Control undertook to advise PBS Rail Div upon request the departure times from RCAR of any US Southbound Personnel Trains but that expected arrival times at MILES CENTRAL could not be given until trains arrive at ROCCARECCI on Line 90 or FORTILL on Line 89.

(Action : Joint Railway Control)

34. ISR Wagon Position Reports

Joint Railway Control stated that the ISR Daily Wagon Position Reports do not convey a true picture because in many instances no provision is made by Capes for wagons in sidings and dumps used by Allied personnel. It was agreed that RTOs should co-operate with their Capes and give them Wagon Position Reports in respect of wagons etc where ISR shuckers are not permitted admission.

(Action : HQ NOV WEST ITALY - PBS Rail Div)

35. Hygiene arrangements at MILES CENTRAL Station

AC in rep informed ISR that a complaint has been received concerning the low standard of hygiene and cleanliness at MILES CENTRAL Station. This report stated that no labour is available to carry out daily cleaning of the station. ISR explained that a contract has been placed for this work and will come into force W.F.F. 9 Apr. Matter to be reviewed at next week's conference.

(Action : HQ NOV WEST ITALY)

36. Shunting at CHI Sidings, C. STELLA, 1942

ISR stated that ISR engines are performing all shunting operations at CHI Sidings, C. STELLA. This is not in accordance with ISR rules and it was suggested that CHI should use their own locomotives.

Chairman said inquiries would be made to ascertain whether there are any CHI private locomotives available at C. STELLA to shunt sidings but if not it would be necessary for ISR locomotives to continue to do the work, as the Works were being extensively used by a British Engineering Unit.

(Action : HQ NOV WEST ITALY)

37. Civilian Scrap under load at LIV. 86. Works, C. CHIOLI

Joint Railway Control undertook to advise FHS Rail Div upon request the departure times from RMD of any US Southbound Personnel Trains but that expected arrival times at HPLIS CENTRAL could not be given until trains arrive at ROCCAS202L on line 30 or FURLI on line 59.

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(Action : HQ Nov WEST IRLIN)

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(Action : HQ Nov WEST IRLIN)

37. Civilian Scrap under load at ILVA Steelworks, BIONOLI

Joint Railway Control reported that 15 wagons scrap have been underload at ILVA Steelworks, BIONOLI, for some days and consignments did not appear to be taking any steps to unload the traffic. ISR said they would look into this matter at once and press for prompt clearance of the wagons.

(Action : ISR)

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MINUTES OF THE FOURTH RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE, NAPLES,
THURSDAY 12 APRIL 1945

Present: Lt. Col G.W. BROWN, AGHQ(M), HQ Movements WEST ITALY
in the chair.

Joint Railway Control -

Capt G. CHAPMAN
Capt H. WALBANK
Lieut M. FRIFT

Tn Officer (Rail) AC -

Lieut I. STRAND

HQ Movements West Italy -

Major E.S.C. PITHOUSE
Capt L.T. COX

ISR -

Ing. IURINELLI
Sgt. GIORGIANO
Sgt. MAVERELLI
Sgt. LACHEZZA

In Attendance: 8th Port HQ -

Major TUNLIN
Lieut SHIELDS

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38. Consideration of Previous Minutes

Minute 2 - AC/Civilian Traffic. Chairman drew attention to the large percentage of bids not loaded during period 26 Mar - 1 Apr owing to no application being made by consignors to load. AC Tn rep confirmed that necessary action was being taken to rectify this.
(Action : AC Tn rep)

Minute 22 - Military Traffic Working. ISR stated that instructions have been issued for Northbound Ordnance traffic ex SAM GIOVANNI to combine at NAPLES yard with military traffic ex AGIP, MAFIA and SIAP installations and Tn Stores ex FOGGIERA for despatch on the 1000 hours daily Northbound train via AVERSA and Line 89.
(Action : HQ Mov WEST ITALY)

Minute 31 - Facilities at Stations for Allied Female Personnel. ISR confirmed that they will execute all necessary work entailed in renovating the accommodation at NAPLES Central Station required for use as rest rooms for Allied female personnel. It is estimated that the work will take approx two months to complete. Chairman instructed ISR to contact RTO NAPLES Central and arrange for the work to commence earliest.
(Action : ISR)

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Tn Officer (Rail) AC -
 HQ Movements West Italy -
 ISR -
 In Attendance: Sta Port HQ -

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 Sig. LACCHETTI
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 (Action : AC Tn rep)

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 (Action : ISR)

Minute 35 - Hygiene arrangements at NAPLES Central Station. ISR confirmed that the labour contract has now been completed and that work will commence about 16 April.
 (Information)

Minute 36 - Shunting at CMI Sidings, CASTELLAMARE. ISR were informed that one CMI shunting locomotive normally meets all shunting requirements at CMI Works Sidings daily except Sundays. It is only when this locomotive is not available i.e. Sundays, that the ISR are called upon to perform any shunting at CMI. It will be necessary for power to continue to be supplied by ISR when the CMI engine is not available.
 (Action : ISR)

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39. Military Traffic Working - NAPLES/ROME

Chairman drew attention to the power shortage resulting in a large number of loaded wagons on hand in the NAPLES Compartimento awaiting movement to ROME and beyond. Joint Railway Control stated that this had already been referred to HQ Military Railway Services ROME who are taking necessary remedial action to increase locomotive availability in the NAPLES Division, and that an improvement could be looked for within the next 24/48 hours. Chairman requested that Joint Railway Control and ISR exercise a close watch on this position.
(Action : Joint Railway Control - ISR)

40. Forms XR

AC Tr rep stated that delays were being experienced in the receipt of completed forms XR. Also that in some instances the Capo Stations was failing to state the reason for failure to load. Chairman instructed ISR to ensure that both the above conditions were complied with, and that AC Tr rep take up any future serious emissions with ISR direct.
(Action : AC Tr rep - ISR)

41. Railway Telephone Facilities

ISR enquired if improved telephone facilities could be made available to them by the release from military use of existing telephone communications between NAPLES and SALERNO. Chairman agreed to investigate and report at the next Conference.
(Action : HQ Mov WEST ITALY)

42. Functions of Joint Railway Control, NAPLES

Joint Railway Control reported that some outside mis-apprehension still existed as to their actual responsibilities and functions as a Joint Railway Control. Chairman stated that the directive issued under HQ Mov WEST ITALY reference Q(N)/14 dated 28 Feb 45 clearly defined their functions and responsibilities, but undertook to issue a further reminder to those concerned.
(Action : HQ Mov WEST ITALY)

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AC Tn rep stated that delays were being experienced in the receipt of completed forms X3. Also that in some instances the Capo Stations was failing to state the reason for failure to load. Chairman instructed ISR to ensure that both the above conditions were complied with, and that AC Tn rep take up any future serious omissions with ISR direct.

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C.M.F.

14 April 1945

Tel. 842838
Ref: AC/354/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Authorization of Passenger services

TO : Chief Transportation Officer - Naples.

1. Reference Naples Joint Railway Control meeting held 22 March 1945.

2. Minute 8 "Daily workers train Naples-Caserta" reads as follows:

"AC rep asked whether or not it would be possible to extend above daily service to Capua. Chairman directed that AC submit request direct to I.S.R. thru Joint Railway Control.

3. Requests for increased passenger service must be submitted to this Headquarters so that if it applies on Military controlled lines the matter can be taken up with M.R.S.

O.H. LINDBERG
Lt. Col. R.S.
Chief, Rail Division

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MINUTES OF THE SECOND RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE, NAPLES,
THURSDAY 29 MARCH 1945

PRESENT: Major C. AYERS, DAQMG(M) HQ Movimento West Italy
in the Chair.

Joint Railway Control -

Capt J. ROELL
Capt G. CHAPMAN
Capt H. WALEBANK
Lieut N. TRIFT

AC Southern Region -

Lieut STRAND

Movimento West Italy -

Capt L.T. COX

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(Information)

Minute 3 - Unauthorised Civilian Travel. ISR said that the train crew personnel in question were attached to the Traction Department, Rome Compartmento, who have been notified of the incident in order that the necessary action may be taken.
(Action: ISR to inform Joint Railway Control when a reply is received from Rome Compartmento).

Minute 4 - Traffic at NAPLES Port to PONTICAGLIANO and MONTECORVINO. ISR reported that w.e.f. 1 Apr 45 a daily train will leave NAPLES Smetamento at 2308 hours and in due to arrive at PONTICAGLIANO 0500 hours the following day. When there is insufficient Ordnance traffic to make a complete train load the spare tonnage will be taken up with other traffic to be attached under arrangements of ISR.
(Information)

Minute 5 - Wagon Exchange - REGGIO Compartmento. Joint Railway Control stated that in view of the present wagon shortage in the NAPLES area, instructions have been issued to ISR cancelling until 31 March 45

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Minute 4 - Traffic ex NFLES Port to MONTESORDANO and MONTESORDANO. ISR reported that w.t.f. 1 Apr 45 daily train will leave NFLES S. 1000 hours and in due to arrive at MONTESORDANO 0300 hours the following day. When there is insufficient Ordnance traffic to make a complete train load the spare tonnage will be taken up with other traffic to be attached under arrangements of ISR.
(Information)

Minute 5 - Wagon Exchange - REGGIO Compartment. Joint Railway Control stated that in view of the present wagon shortage in the S. 1000 instructions have been issued to ISR cancelling until 31 March the movement of empties from the NFLES Compartment to the REGGIO Compartment.
(Information)

Minute 6 - Application from ISR for part use of siding at ANSALEO Works, PIZZOLI. ISR reported that it will be necessary for this application to be referred back to ROME for further information.
(Action: ISR)

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Minute 7 - Siding Facilities at PIERRE-SA. Heit. Reps from HQ Movements West Italy, Joint Railway Control and ISR visited the site on 24 March when it was agreed that a siding could be constructed if the depot undertake to carry out the work to the requirements of the ISR who will provide the necessary railway materials.
(Action : HQ Nov West Italy to notify Joint Railway Control when the depot is prepared to commence work)

Minute 8 - Daily Workers Train - N. PIES/CASPIRE. IC In rep said this matter has been submitted to Joint Railway Control.
(Information)

Minute 9 - Deliberate slowing down or stopping of trains. ISR confirmed that instructions have been issued to all ISR staff. Chairman reported that trains are being stopped at S. MARIA LA BRUNO and for no apparent reason the Cape there is interfering with through traffic destined for TORRE ANNUCCIOLA and South. ISR will investigate this and confirmed that through Southbound trains need not stop at S. MARIA LA BRUNO for purposes other than awaiting "line clear".
(Action : ISR)

Minute 10 - Rail Intelligence and Incident Reports. Joint Railway Control reported an improvement but pointed out that the position is not yet entirely satisfactory.
(Action : ISR)

Minute 11 - Train Schedules. ISR stated that a time-table for Line 90 should be ready by 10 Apr 48. They will supply 12 copies of this to Joint Railway Control for distribution. Requests for train timings in respect of freight or personnel movements will be submitted to Joint Railway Control who will obtain the information from the ISR.
(Information)

Minute 12 - Line Construction and Electrification. Chairman reported that DURS have been approached and confirm that diesel locos will be withdrawn from Line 59 on 1 May; they also state that the first priority for electrifying this line is the section ROSE/TOULSA, after which the section AVERSA/VILLA LITERNO will be electrified. ISR pointed out that the sections VAPLES/CUMPI FLAVERI/VILLA LITERNO and N. PIES/VAPLES are already electrified and it would simplify train and loco working if the section AVERSA/VILLA LITERNO could be electrified. They are in a position to carry out the necessary work for this at once if the materials could be released. Chairman said further representations will be made to DURS.
(Action : HQ Nov West Italy)

Minute 13 - Bad Order Wagons. Joint Railway Control reported that they are receiving advice more promptly from the ISR regarding bad order wagons; but consider that when a 'bad order' wagon is detached at a station on route the ISR should immediately arrange either for prompt repair or for another empty wagon to be made available at that station in case it should be necessary to effect transhipment. Also Joint Railway Control require to be informed when any 'bad order' wagon has been repaired or transhipped and sent forward.

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(Action : ISR)

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(Action : ISR)

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(Information)

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(Action : ISR)

Minute 14 - Indents for Rolling Stock. Chairman stated that all RTOs have been instructed accordingly.

Minute 15 - Warehouse Accommodation - CAMP FLAHEI. It was not yet possible to give a reply in this case. ISR rep will advise Joint Railway Control (for ISR) as soon as possible.

Minute 16 - Liaison with ISR through Joint Railway Control. Joint Railway Control stated that no further difficulties have been experienced.

(Information)

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18. Clearance of Scrap from Railway Property.

Chairman referred to recent meeting of Allied Railway Board in Rome when the question of disposing of scrap material from railway property was raised. ISR requested to arrange clearance of any of this scrap in the Naples Division.
(Action : ISR)

19. Wagon Statistics.

ISR stated that w.e.f. 3 Apr 45 they will prepare daily wagon statistics showing complete wagon availability by types in the Naples Division. These statistics will be rendered to Joint Railway Control.
(Information)

20. Return of Territory to ISR Control.

Chairman reported that w.e.f. 16 Apr 45 it is intended to hand back to the ISR the responsibility for operating the ROME Compartment, and also at a later date the ANCONA and FLORENCE Compartments.
(Information)

21. AC Wagon Requirements TORRE ANNUNZIATA/CASTELLANARE.

Chairman stated that 36 box cars are required daily for AC loadings at TORRE ANNUNZIATA and CASTELLANARE. Arrangements should be made for these wagons to be worked daily to TORRE ANNUNZIATA for this traffic and RTO TORRE ANNUNZIATA will arrange locally the allocation of empties as between CASTELLANARE and TORRE ANNUNZIATA.
(Action : Joint Railway Control - ISR)

22. Military Traffic Working.

Chairman requested Joint Railway Control to investigate (in conjunction with ISR) the following:-

- (a) The introduction of improved train services for the movement of Ordnance for ROME and North loaded at SAN GIOVANNI, PORTO CANNANO and MONTECORVINO.
- (b) Arranging an earlier departure from CASERTA of the daily local train to VIESTE which calls at CAPUA for local shunting. It is essential that this train arrives at CAPUA not later than 0800 hours each day.
- (c) Arranging for trains from CASORIA Supply Depots to run through to VIESTE with no intermediate stops. ISR explained that w.e.f. 1 Apr, a scheduled service will be introduced for this traffic and this should overcome the difficulties previously experienced where trains have been held at stations for extensive periods, thus increasing the risk of pilferage.

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23. Italian Military Personnel : NAPLES to ROME.

PBS Rail Dir have received a suggestion from their staff at NAPLES that the four wagons per day of Italian Military personnel from NAPLES to ROME should be kept off trains of Allied military stores in view of the risk of pilferage, and that this movement should consist of one complete train once per week in preference to the present daily arrangement. It was agreed that the matter be raised by PBS Rail Div with Th(A), AFHQ, for investigating with MMIA. (Action : PBS Rail Div)

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24. Availability of ISR Personnel over the Easter Holiday.

ISR gave an assurance that there will be sufficient ISR personnel on duty over the Easter Holiday period to ensure normal movement of killed traffic.
(Information)

25. Use of Brake Wagons at NOCERA.

Joint Railway Control reported that there are occasions when the ISR use brake wagons loaded with traffic consigned to destinations North of NOCERA for the purpose of providing brakes on trains proceeding South from NOCERA. ISR were instructed to see that this practice is stopped.
(Action : ISR)

26. ISR Workers Trains on Line 90.

ISR stated that arrangements were made for one Workers Train to run daily in each direction between HOME and C.S.M.E. for their employees working at stations etc on Line 90. These trains were scheduled to run up to the end of March, but it will be necessary to extend the arrangement as sufficient accommodation is not yet available for those workers. Joint Railway Control undertook to apply to DMRS for the services to continue for a further period.
(Action : Joint Railway Control)

30 March 1945.
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28. ISR Workers Trains on Line 90.

ISR stated that arrangements were made for one Workers Train to run daily in each direction between ROMA and CASERTA for their employees working at stations etc on Line 90. These trains were scheduled to run up to the end of March, but it will be necessary to extend the arrangement as sufficient accommodation is not yet available for these workers. Joint Railway Control undertook to apply to DMRS for the services to continue for a further period.

(Action : Joint Railway Control)

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MINUTES OF THE FIRST RAIL CONFERENCE
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE, NAPLES,
THURSDAY 22 MARCH 1945

PRESENT: Lt.Col. G.W. BROWN, AQMG(M) HQ Movements West Italy
in the chair.

Joint Railway Control - Capt. J. ROGELL (MTC)
Capt. H. WATKINS (Movwit)
Lieut. M. ELLIOT (FBS Tr)

FES Southern Dist (Rail Div) - Major J.H. FORBES

AC Southern Region - Major V.C. BOWERS

Movements West Italy - Major C. AYERS
Capt. L.T. COX

ISR - Ing. MARINELLI
Sig. LACREZZA

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4. Traffic ex NAPLES Port to PONTICAGNANO and MONTECORVINO

Chairman instructed ISR to examine the possibility of working this traffic forward in special train loads daily, in order to maintain an even flow of traffic, facilitate depot working, and reduce wagon turnaround. Result to be reported next conference.
(Action : ISR)

5. Wagon Exchange - REGGIO Compartimento

ISR stated that 50 empty cars daily were being worked into GALLERIA via POTENZA and METAFONTO, any further balance which may be required being worked via the WEST Coast route.
(Information)

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6. Application from ISR for part use of siding at ANSALDO WORKS, POZZUOLI

Chairman referred to an application made by Ing. Fomacsei for part use by ANSALDO of existing siding facilities at ANSALDO Works and instructed ISR to furnish details of the volume of traffic anticipated under this proposal, before a decision could be made.
(Action : ISR)

7. Siding Facilities at PIETRALISA Halt

HQ Mov WEST ITALY asked whether it would be possible to construct a siding off the second main running line (estimated to be completed within next 2/3 months) for serving the new transit shed now in course of construction for the use of 2 Sub Depot 557 BOD.
It was agreed that reps from HQ Mov WEST ITALY, Joint Control, and ISR visit the site 1000 hours 24 Mar for the purpose of inspection and report.
(Action : HQ Mov WEST ITALY - Joint Railway Control - ISR)

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AC rep asked whether or not it would be possible to extend above daily service to CAPUA. Chairman directed that AC submit request direct to ISR through Joint Railway Control.
(Action : AC - Joint Railway Control)

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PBS rep stated that incidents continued to be reported of trains being slowed down or stopped at intermediary points to facilitate pilferage. ISR were instructed to again issue instructions to all their staff that this practice will cease.
(Action : ISR)

10. Rail Intelligence and Incident Reports

Delays were reported by Joint Railway Control in receiving these reports. ISR were directed to ensure such reports were received promptly in future and that their staff be so instructed.
(Action : ISR)

11. Train Schedules

ISR reported that train working in the Compartimento (with the exception of line 90) was now operating to a time table and that line 90 should also be working to a time table by end March. ISR to furnish 25 copies to Joint Railway Control for distribution.
(Action : ISR - Joint Railway Control)

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ISR reported that within next few days there would be one line electrified between SALTANO and MARTINICOLA, and that work on electrification of the remaining second line would follow at a later date when the request

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ISR reported that within next few days there would be one line electrified between SALERNO and BATTIFAGLIA, and that work on electrification of the remaining second line would follow at a later date when the requisite materials had been released. Work was also progressing on construction of the second main running line between SAN GIOVANNI and TORRE ANNUNZIATA.

ISR also reported that MRS intended to withdraw all diesel locomotives from line 89 approx end April and that under the circumstances it would be desirable to extend the existing electrification of line 89 from AVERSA to VILLA LITerno.

(Action : Chairman to discuss latter point with MRS and report next conference)

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13. Bad Order Wagons

ISR were instructed to ensure that label details of all bad order wagons be transmitted to the Joint Railway Control by the quickest possible means who will advise the responsible HQ concerned. Transshipment should only be resorted to when the nature of the repairs preclude the wagon being quickly restored to service by local repairs on the spot.

(Action : ISR - Joint Railway Control)

14. Indents for Rolling Stock

ISR reported that instances were arising where RMOs were making demands for cars on local Capes which were not included on consolidated car indent submitted through Joint Railway Control. Chairman directed that necessary measures be taken by all concerned to avoid any confusion or misunderstanding by including all local requirements of RMOs in the consolidated car indent submitted daily through Joint Railway Control.

(Action : All concerned)

15. Warehouse Accommodation - CAMPI FLEGRESI

ISR reported that they were short of accommodation at CAMPI FLEGRESI for the storage of "smalls" pending their despatch by rail and asked if part of the accommodation adjacent the station at present occupied by a US QM unit could be made available. PBS rep undertook to investigate and report at the next conference.

(Action : PBS)

16. Liaison with ISR through Joint Railway Control

Joint Railway Control reported that difficulties had arisen on occasions in obtaining executive action through ISR channels. Chairman directed that any further instances be reported direct to Ins. Marinelli for necessary action with those concerned.

(Action : Joint Railway Control - ISR)

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(Action : All concerned)

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(Action : PAS)

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