

ACC

AC 356/TN.4

10000/148/2454

JOINT  
AUG.-DEC.

10000/14/2454

JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL - ROME  
AUG - DEC. 1945

MINUTES OF THE 26th RAILWAY CONFERENCE  
HELD IN HQ MOVEMENTS ROME AREA  
THURSDAY 20th DECEMBER 1945

Chairman :- Major E.H.S. BAKER, D.A.Q.M.G. (N)

HQ Movements ROME AREA  
Traffic Officer

R.T.O. ROME TERMINI

R.T.O. SMISTAMENTO

I.S.R. Movimento Section

: HQ Movements ROME AREA

: Capt. AWT WATT

: Lt. J. Dover

: Capt. R.C. Anson

: Capt. S.L. Clarke

: Ing. Pelizza

145. Points arising from previous meeting.

(a) Ref. Minute No. 131. Chairman requested that empties be placed at TOR SAPIENZA as soon as loads were drawn in the evenings. At present empties were not being placed until 1000 hours instead of 0800 hrs. I.S.R. to arrange.

(b) Ref. Minute No. 140. I.S.R. now state one additional member of I.S.R. Police is now at ROCCASECCA and no move can at present be sent owing to shortage of staff.

(c) Ref. Minute No. 142. As no reply has been received from I.S.R. Chairman requested Ing. PELIZZA to hasten investigations.

(d) Ref. Minute No. 143. R.T.O. ROME TERMINI stated there was still no improvement in train advices from Capo Dirigente. After discussion it was agreed that a meeting to be held between Capo Dirigente and L.T.O. to arrange system of communicating advices.

146. Use of Platform 20 at Rome Termini.

R.T.O. ROME TERMINI stated Platform 20 was required for use, but is at present out of action owing to not being protected by signals. I.S.R. are to investigate and arrange for the platform to be put into use as soon as possible.

147. Next Meeting.

The next Meeting will be held in HQ Movements ROME AREA on Thursday 13 January 46 at 1500 hrs.

*W.R.B.*  
(E.H.S. BAKER) Major R.E.,  
D.A.Q.M.G. (M) 6238

145.

Points arising from previous meeting.

- (a) Ref. Minute No. 131. Chairman requested that empties be placed at TOR SAPIENZA as soon as loads were drawn in the evenings. At present empties were not being placed until 1000 hours instead of 0800 hrs. I.S.R. to arrange.
- (b) Ref. Minute No. 140. I.S.R. now state one additional member of I.S.R. Police is now at ROCCASECCA and no more can at present be sent owing to shortage of staff.
- (c) Ref. Minute No. 142. As no reply has been received from I.S.R. Chairman requested Ing. PELIZZA to hasten investigations.
- (d) Ref. Minute No. 143. R.T.O. ROME TERMINI stated there was still no improvement in train advices from Capo Dirigente. After discussion it was agreed that a meeting to be held between Capo Dirigente and R.T.O. to arrange system of communicating advices.

146.

Use of Platform 20 at Rome Termini.

R.T.O. ROME TERMINI stated Platform 20 was required for use, but is at present out of action owing to not being protected by signals. I.S.R. are to investigate and arrange for the platform to be put into use as soon as possible.

147.

Next Meeting.

The next Meeting will be held in HQ Movements ROME AREA on Thursday 13 January 46 at 1500 hrs.

HHSB/CP

Distribution :- 'Q' Movements GHQ

HQ Movements NORTH ITALY  
 HQ Movements NAPLES  
 HQ Movements FLORENCE  
 HQ Movements ANCONA  
 HQ Train Guard Control ROME (2)  
 Tn AC ROME Region I.S.R. Building

Internal

:- D.A.Q.M.G. (M)  
 S/Capt. Q (M)

Traffic Office - M/File - File.

- Tn Sub-Commission

- R.O.O. BARI

- Tn.P.B.S. c/o RTO ROME TERMINI

- R.T.O. ROME TERMINI

- R.T.O. ROME TUSCOLANA

- R.T.O. ROME SMISTAMENTO

(H.H.S. BAKER) Major R.E.,  
 D.A.Q.M.G. (M) 6238

MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH RAILWAY CONFERENCE  
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE  
THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 45

Chairman :- Major J.L. GILLIBRAND RAO D.A.Q.M.G. (M). HQ Movements Rome Area

Joint Railway Control

: Capt. K. Matheson  
: Lieut. L.F. Mc Groaty  
: Ing. Fusco  
: Ing. Tenti  
: Ing. Astrologo

A.C. Tn ROME

: Capt. Hall

101. Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Reference Minutes No. 98. Capt. Matheson confirmed that this position has improved.

(Info)

102. Siding at TOR SAPIENZA.

Chairman stated that a letter has been received from I.S.R. pointing out that the siding used by 408 Veh PK was in need of repairs. This siding was likely to remain in use at its present level for several months and he asked the I.S.R. to find out how urgent is the need for repairs and what amount of disruption would ensue.

(Action - I.S.R.)

103. Marshalling of ROME Local Traffic.

Chairman asked which were the possibilities of marshalling ROME Local Traffic at SMISTARENTO instead of TIBURTINA.

Ing. TENTI said that at present there was not sufficient room at SMISTARENTO. He would approach the Capo Compartimento about this and would find out how long the necessary repairs to tracks would take.

(Action - I.S.R.)

104. Mealhalt TERMINI trips from SMISTARENTO.

Chairman stated that the number of parties requiring feeding were so few that the trip engine was being wasted. He asked if the 'Corsetta' running between SMISTARENTO and TERMINI might be used when practicable.

I.S.R. said that this 'Corsetta' could take up to eight wagons and it was agreed that unless personnel traffic increased the trip engine would not be used.

(Action - Mov ROME - I.S.R.)

6297

101.

Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Reference Minutes No. 98. Capt. Matheson confirmed that this position has improved.

(Info)

102.

Siding at TOR SAPIENZA.

Chairman stated that a letter has been received from I.S.R. pointing out that the siding used by 408 Veh FK was in need of repairs. This siding was likely to remain in use at its present level for several months and he asked the I.S.R. to find out how urgent is the need for repairs and what amount of disruption would ensue.

(Action - I.S.R.)

103.

Marshalling of ROME Local Traffic.

Chairman asked which were the possibilities of marshalling ROME Local Traffic at SMISTAMENTO instead of TIBURTINA.

Ing. TENTI said that at present there was not sufficient room at SMISTAMENTO. He would approach the Capo Compartimento about this and would find out how long the necessary repairs to tracks would take.

(Action - I.S.R.)

104.

Mealhalt TERMINI trips from SMISTAMENTO.

Chairman stated that the number of parties requiring feeding were so few that the trip engine was being wasted. He asked if the 'Corsetta' running between SMISTAMENTO and TERMINI might be used when practicable.

I.S.R. said that this 'Corsetta' could take up to eight wagons and it was agreed that unless personnel traffic increased the trip engine would not be used.

6237

(Action - Mov ROME - I.S.R.)

105.

Arc Lighting at SMISTAMENTO.

Chairman asked if some or all of the arc lighting in use at TIBURTINA could be transferred to SMISTAMENTO where the lighting is bad.

I.S.R. stated that some lighting was still required at TIBURTINA, but that some of the bulbs could be transferred. Ing. Fusco said that they could not obtain bulbs. Chairman asked that I.S.R. should take further steps to get bulbs and asked Capt Matheson to approach M.R.S. for assistance.

(Action J.R.C. - I.S.R.)

- 2 -

106. Railway Telephone - Line 82.

Capt. Matheson said that the telephone line between PRIVERNO - FORULA was constantly out of service, on one occasion for 3 days, and asked that the Capo Compartimento's notice be drawn to this unsatisfactory state of affairs.

Ing. Tenti said that this line was constantly being repaired but that thieves were removing the wire.

Chairman asked I.S.R. to speed repairs particularly by night.

(Action - I.S.R.)

107. Washing of cars - Ostiense.

Capt. Matheson complained that cars requiring washing were being held out of service unduly long.

I.S.R. stated that washing was done by contract and that they would take steps to improve the output.

(Action - I.S.R.)

108. Transshipment of load-bad order cars.

Capt. Matheson asked that I.S.R. should take immediate action to provide a replacement for bad order cars under load, together with the necessary labour.

I.S.R. asked for classification of the procedure regarding transshipment.

Chairman stated that I.S.R. should arrange for immediate transshipment of load. In the case of Allied Military freight if a guard was present with the detached car transshipment could be immediately proceeded with and notification given to J.R.C. If no guard was present J.R.C. must be immediately notified with a request for a guard. Movements ROME would decide whether a guard was available and agree a time for the transshipment.

(Action - Mov ROME - I.R.C. - I.S.R.)

109. I.S.R. indents for civil wagons.

Capt. Matheson said that Capos had been indenting every day for their entire weeks allotment instead of dividing the number of wagons over the weeks loading.

I.S.R. said that this matter was being dealt with and promised an improvement.

(Action - I.S.R.)

110. ORTE.

I.S.R. asked if more space could be left for offloading under the no 236

Capt. Matheson complained that cars requiring washing were being held up of service unduly long.

I.S.R. stated that washing was done by contract and that they would take steps to improve the output.

(Action - I.S.R.)

Transshipment of load-bed order cars.

108.

Capt. Matheson asked that I.S.R. should take immediate action to provide a replacement for bad order cars under load, together with the necessary labour.

I.S.R. asked for classification of the procedure regarding transshipment.

Chairman stated that I.S.R. should arrange for immediate transshipment of load. In the case of Allied Military freight if a guard was present with the detached car transshipment could be immediately proceeded with and notification given to J.R.C. If no guard was present J.R.C. must be immediately notified with a request for a guard. Movements R.C.M. would decide whether a guard was available and agree a time for the transshipment.

(Action - Mov ROME - I.R.C. - I.S.R.)

109.

I.S.R. indents for civil wagons.

Capt. Matheson said that Capos had been indenting every day for their entire weeks allotment instead of dividing the number of wagons over the weeks loading.

I.S.R. said that this matter was being dealt with and promised an improvement.

(Action - I.S.R.)

110.

ORTE.

I.S.R. asked if more space could be left for offloading under the new 298 "Feeding Helt" construction plan.

Chairman stated that in view of the lack of space available this was unlikely but that he would approach the D.C.R.E.

(Action - Mov ROME)

To :- As per distribution Mov 205

*J. L. Gillibrand*  
J.L. GILLIBRAND Major R.A.C.,  
D.A.Q.M.G. (M)

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH RAILWAY CONTROL MEETING  
HELD IN JOINT RAILWAY CONTROL OFFICE

R C M E

THURSDAY 9 AUGUST 45

Chairman: Major G.C. Oliver D.S.O.M.G.(1). H.Q. Movements Sub-Area ROME.

Joint Railway Control

: Capt E.L. Parks  
: Capt G.R.G. Tonks  
: Lieut M. Macdonald  
: Ing Pentti  
: Ing Petriello

Tn A.C. ROME

: Capt Hall

H.Q. Mov ROME

: Capt H.H.S. Baker

I.S.R. Capo Compartimento

: Ing Moscatello

-----

89 Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Reference Minute No. 84. Chairman said it had been ascertained that a lift from 2,00 tons of R.E. Stores to be moved from FREZZO, there was not much else left. At present there was a stop on loading R.E. Stores. Daily wagon requirements were 35 box and 15 H.S. Wagon supply was satisfactory.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 59. I.S.R. submitted a progress report. They stated that arrangements had been made for all through traffic to be marshalled at SUSA FREZZO commencing 31 August. THEBERTINA would only be used for local traffic.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 86 Chairman said that IRS had agreed with 557 BOD for all loading to be done at OSTIGLIA, in preference to PUELLITIA. A.P.R.G. had not yet authorised the move, but everything was ready as soon as the agreement came through.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 87. Capt Hall said that a four-day stop had been put on A.C. traffic at CEFANO. The number of wagons on hand this morning was 26. This would be cleared tomorrow.

90 I.S.R. Materials understood.

Capt. Tonks stated that the position was bad and had lately grown worse. At present 181 wagons of ISR material were underload in the Area and ISR were unable to keep pace with the traffic.

Chairman told ISR that they must issue orders that all wagons must be unloaded within 24 hrs of arrival. Capt Tonks had put a stop on load and this would continue until the position was cleared up.

82.5

L.G. Lov ROME /: Capt H.H.S. Baker

I.S.R. Capo Compartimento : Ing Moscatello

-----

# 89 Minutes of Previous Meetings.

Reference Minute No. 84. Chairman said it had been ascertained that a part from 2,00 tons of RE Stores to be moved from AREZZO, there was not much else left. At present there was a stop on loading R.E. Stores. Daily wagon requirements were 35 box and 15 H.S. Wagon supply was satisfactory.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 59. I.S.R. submitted a progress report. They stated that the wagons had been made for all through traffic to be marshalled at SASSUOLO commencing 31 August. TRIBUTINA would only be used for local traffic.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 86. Chairman said that IRS had agreed with 557 BOD for all loading to be done at OSTIGLIE, in preference to PELLESTINA. A.E.R.G. had not yet authorized the move, but everything was ready as soon as the agreement came through.

(Info).

Reference Minute No. 87. Capt Hall said that a four-day stop had been put on A.C. traffic at CERZANO. The number of wagons on hand this morning was 26. This would be cleared tomorrow.

## 90 I.S.R. Materials understood.

Capt. Tonks stated that the position was bad and had lately grown worse. At present 101 wagons of ISR material were underload in the Area and ISR were unable to keep pace with the traffic.

Chairman told ISR that they must issue orders that all wagons must be unloaded within 24 hrs of arrival. Capt Tonks had put a stop on load and this would continue until the position was cleared up. 22.5

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

HHSB/GS

*[Signature]*  
Major R.H.  
D.A.G.M.G.(H).

Distribution :- See Over.

Distribution:

G-4 (Mov & Tr), A.P.H.Q.  
H.Q. Movements NORTH EAST ITALY  
H.Q. Movements NAPLES  
H.Q. Movements FLORENCE  
H.Q. Movements ANCONA  
Joint Railway Control ROME  
Joint Railway Control NAPLES  
H.Q. Train Guard Control ROME  
R.T.O. ROME Termini  
R.T.O. SUSTALMENTO  
R.T.O. TUSCOLANA  
R.T.O. TIBURTINA  
A/R.T.O. TOR SAPIENZA  
Tn P.B.S. c/o R.T.O. ROME Termini (2)  
Lieut Maynard, c/o R.T.O. ROME Termini (2)  
Tn A.C. ROME Region, I.S.R. Building, Via Regina Elena, ROME.  
Tn Sub-Commission A.C. (for Lt. Col. J.W. Baker) (2)  
R.O.O. BARI  
Mov L.O. 3 District  
Mov L.O. M.R.S.

Internal:

D.A.C.M.G.(M).  
S/Capt Q(M).  
Traffic Office.  
File  
File.

02-4

