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SUBJECT : Control of I. S. R. Stores & Stores Depots.  
TO : Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. At the October and November Meetings of the Allied Railway Board the matter of control of stores and stores depots of the Italian State Railways was discussed in detail. The position taken by the Rail Division of Allied Commission is that the control of stores and stores depots of the Italian State Railways should be under the control of the Italian State Railways and that the Military Railway Service should turn over the operation and control of these stores and stores depots to the Italian State Railways.

2. The Director, Transportation Sub-Commission was present at both meetings and you will recall that in both cases the Rail Division's proposal was overruled by the Chairman of the Allied Railway Board.

3. To effectively carry out the operation of the railways, it is essential and necessary that the Italian State Railways have control of their own stocks and stores. Furthermore, under the system which is now employed by the Military Railway Service exercising control on supplies and materials which would be received from outside sources, American, English, etc., would come under the control of the Military Railway Service for disposal.

4. This matter is of such importance that the Rail Division refuses to accept the decision handed down by the Chairman of the Allied Railway Board, and it is requested that the matter be taken up with the Supreme Allied Commander by the Chief Commissioner for a decision. It is requested that a copy of the action taken be transmitted to this Office for our files.

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