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PORTS AND WAREHOUSE DIVISION

ROME, 7 September 1945.

To: Chief, Ports & Warehouse DivisionSubject: Timber freights.

I have to refer to attached letter of Maj. Stephens, of Commerce Division, Liguria Region, late of Sicily Region, regarding timber freights to Sicily in 1944-45.

Mr. C.C. Crooks had in fact told me that he was expecting to come to some agreement as to refunds with Medbo, and I spoke in Naples yesterday with Mr. Williams of MWT who had been handling these freights. He has told me that there will be no refund of freight.

I enclose copy of a letter of 27 May last on this subject, addressed by MWT to CO.GE.NA.

The schooner "Cuore di Gesù" was on the old system of time-charter, but she took over 50 days to do the trip and no reason is given for the delay, especially for the long time she took from Portici to Vibo Valentia, I believe 20 or 30 days for an 18 hour run.

B. Mc Donnell

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MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT
MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE
NAVY HOUSE, NAPLES

27 th MAY. 1945.

COMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI.
NAPLES.

SUBJECT. TIMBER SHIPMENTS.

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FOR MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LIGURIA REGION
Commerce Division

Ref. LIG/COM/13/

2 August 1945

TO: HQ. Allied Commission - APO 394
Transportation Sub Commission
(Ports and Warehouse Division)
Attn. Mr. Bazzanella)

SUBJECT: Refund of excess charges of freight on timber
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Commerce Division

Ref. LIG/COM/ /

2 August 1945

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(Foreign Trade Division)

W. A. P. STEPHENS
Major I.A.

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SCHEDULE FREIGHTS PAID TO COGENA BY MESSRS R. AGNELLO FOR TRANSPORT OF TIMBER FROM CALA
FROM 11/9/1944 TO 6/2/1945

Date	Ship	From	To	Tons	Rate	To pay	Paid	To
29/9	ITU	Vibo Val.	Catania	929.700		604.305.00	604.105.00	
9/10	"	Reggio Cal.	Catania	932.800		606.320.00	626.600.00	
22/10	Violetta	Vibo Val.	Catania	230.000	650.	149.500.00	230.250.00	
29/10	ITU	Reggio Cal.	Catania	941.183	650.	611.768.95	619.970.00	
3/11	Cuor Di Gesù	Vibo Val.	Palermo	45.383	675.	30.633.50	304.810.25	
15/11	ITU	Reggio Cal.	Syracuse	960.280	650.	624.182.00	755.225.00	
17/11	Violetta	Vibo Val.	Palermo	232.000	675	156.600.00	296.607.00	
6/12	ITU	Reggio Cal.	Catania	1013.160	650	658.554.00	674.085.00	
23/12	Violetta	Vibo Val.	Palermo	186.019	675	125.562.80	668.924.35	
10/1	Violetta	Vibo Val.	Palermo	210.000	675	141.750.00	753.106.60	
6/2	Violetta	Vibo Val.	Palermo	193.000	675	130.275.00	720.000.00	
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	<u>200</u>
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ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI
"CO. GE. NA."

OGGETTO	N°	DATA
CO. GE. NA. freights	/SC/P	NAPOLI 18th. June 1945
Problema di freights in caso di guerra PIAZZA CARITA. 33 - TEL. 53-511		

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TO: HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION - APO 394
Transportation Sub Commission

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Refer: your letter 11st. April 1945
AC/10.1/10/Tn.6 -

We have take up the matter with Ministry of War Transport - Naples - and we have received answer - as per copy attached - which speaks for itself.

Very truly.

DIRECTOR
(Dr. Eugenio Sarnella)

enclosed

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2934/27/5.

MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT
MEDITERRANEAN REPRESENTATIVE
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27th MAY, 1945.

COMITATO ITALIANO CUSTODIA NAUT.
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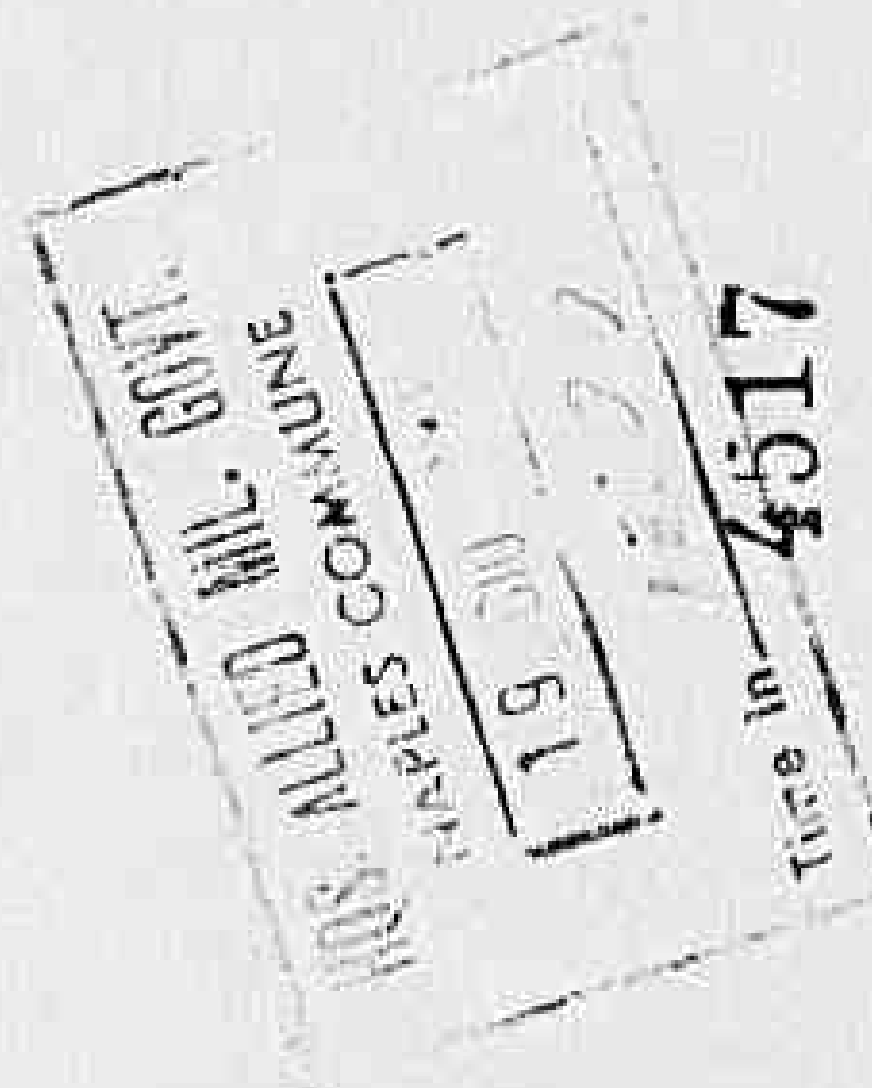
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION

Tel. 290
Ref. AC/10.1/13/Tn6

RMB:mvm
14 May 1945

SUBJECT: COGENA Freight

TO: Mr. C. C. Crooks
Transportation Sub Commission
Naples

1. For your information and handling, we attach copy of letter from Major C. A. W. Stephens, Director, Export Division, Region 1 AC, with a statement of scheduled freight charges paid to COGENA for transportation of timber from Calabria to Sicily from 11/9/44 to 6/2/45, as well as copy of original letter written in Italian.
2. Please note that reimbursement for these excess freight charges should be paid to Ditta Riccardo Agnello, Via Vaglica 3, Palermo.

R. M. BAZZANELLA, Chief
Ports & Warehouse Division

Attachment

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED C COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
Ref. AC/10.1/10/Tn6

GWEW/lml
11 April 1945

SUBJECT : COGENA - Freight
(Attached Correspondence)

TO : C. C. Crooks
Transportation Officer
Naples

1. Reference AC/10.1/7/Tn6 dated 9 March 1945, copies attached.
2. Captain Smith now at this Office reports that he had taken the matter up with COGENA but no information was made available prior to his departure.
3. Will you please take the matter up with COGENA and advise this Division of the result of your inquiries.

R. M. BAZZANELLA
Chief, Port & Whse. Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

Attachments:

As stated in
Para. 1.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
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GWFN/lml
23 March 1945

SUBJECT : COGNA - Freight
TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
Foreign Trade Division

1. Reference is made to your letter AC/5113/Commerce dated 13 March 1945.

2. At the time Signal No. 1846 was transmitted to ALCOM Messina, this Division was not in possession of the official distance table to be used in conjunction with the ton-mile rate.

3. The distance was estimated at 108 miles which gave a rate of 1,512 lire instead of the agreed official distance of 142 miles. Consequently, COGNA was right in applying the rate of 1,634 lire per ton.

R. M. BAZZANELLA
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Transportation Sub-Commission

INTER OFFICE MEMO

Tels: 478900
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WWH/VM/fdt

13 March 1945

Ref. AC/5113/Commerce.

SUBJECT : COGENA - Freight.
FROM : Commerce S/C - Foreign Trade Division
TO : Transportation S/C, ✓
Ports & Warehouse Division (Attn. Mr. C.C. Crooks).

1. Reference your letter AC/10.1/6/Tn6 of 20 February 1945 and our to-day's conversation with Mr. Crooks.
2. Attached is copy of letter ED/19 of 7 March from our Export Division Sicilia Region, dealing with excess freight charges applied by COGENA.
3. Please take the necessary action:
 - a) to ascertain tariff rate applicable to voyages from Vibo to Palermo and exact date it has to become effective.
 - b) to see that definite instructions are issued to COGENA in Naples and Palermo, so that the consequent adjustments can be made.

W.P. Evans
W.P. EVANS
Colonel,
Director

Commerce Sub-Commission

1 Encl. as para 2 above
Copy to:

AC. Export Division, Messina (Attn. Major Stephens: your letters
ED/19 of 5 and 7 March refer)
AC. Export Officer, Palermo (Attn. Capt. Hayward)
(w/out encls)

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CopyALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION
APO 394

7 March 1945.

File No :- ED/19

Subject :- Excess Charges of Sea Freight made by COGENA on Timber for the Manufacture of Citrus Cases in Sicily.To :- Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394,
(for Commerce Sub-Commission - Foreign Trade Section)

1. Please refer to our previous letters on this subject Nos E/D 19 of 27 February and E/D 19 of 5 March 45.

2. Hereunder is quoted a copy of a telegram received by COGENA, Palermo, concerning freight rates to be charged against the s.s. "VIOLETTA" :-

"DD PM NAPOLI 97/64 41 2 15. RIFERIMENTO VOSTRO IERI RIPETIAMO NOLO FISSATO TRASPORTO LEGNAME VIBO PALERMO PIROSCAFO VIOLETTE EST LIRE 1634 TONNELLATA ET NON 1512 PUNTO PRECISIAMO DECORRENZA NUOVO NOLO INTENDESI DA VIAGGIO INIZIATO VIBO 25 FEBRUARY SENZA ALCUNO EFFETTO RETROATTIVO = DIRETTORE COGENA SARNELLA".

3. By your signal No 1846 which is quoted hereunder :-

"REF. 1846 RESTRICTED. SUBJECT TIMBER FREIGHT (FOR ACTION ALCOM MESSINA FOR STEPHENS INFORMATION TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACCCE) PARA ONE REFER YOUR E/D 115 OF 13 FEBRUARY. PARA TWO NOTIFIED BY TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION AUTHORIZED RATE LIRE 1512. PARA THREE ANY AMOUNT CHARGED IN EXCESS OF THIS TO BE REFUNDED. CLAIMS TO BE MADE THROUGH COGENA".

it is established that the authorised rate is lire 1512 per ton; by the COGENA signal quoted in para 2 the rate is given as lire 1634 per ton which does not conform with your agreed rate, further, it is stated in the telegram that the rate is applicable for voyages from Vibo commencing on the 25th February 45, without any retrospective effect.

4. The statement attached to our letter E/D 19 dated 27 February 45 clearly indicated that freights much in excess of the proper amounts due have been collected by COGENA. We protest on behalf of the Timber Purchasing and Distributing Agent, Ditta R. Agnello of Palermo at the arbitrary manner in which freights

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have been collected. It will be seen that COGENA have collected some 2,414,231 lire in excess of what is their proper due and it is felt that no Firm can be expected to engage themselves to produce Citrus Cases at a controlled price if they are going to be charged exorbitant freights which are unforeseen and which can only result in the business they have been conducting on our behalf involving them in a loss.

5. It is requested that you will please take this matter up with COGENA, through Transportation Sub-Commission, and point out that adjustement of freight rates must be in accordance with the established rate of 1512 lire and not 1634, and that excess freights collected as shown on statement attached to our letter No E/D 19 of 27 February 45 be please refunded.

For the Regional Commissioner:

sgd C.A.W. STEPHENS
Major I.A.
Director Export Division
Sicilia Region, A.C.

Copy to: Capt. Hayward, Export Division, Sicilia Region H.Q.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
Ref. AC/10.1/7/Tn6

OWD/1m1
9 March 1945

SUBJECT : Attached Correspondence.

TO : Captain Smith, Transportation Officer
Naples

1. Reference is made to letter File No. ED/19 dated 27 February, 1945 from the A. C. Export Division, Region I, Messina, a copy of which is attached.
2. Please take this matter up with COCEMA and advise this Sub-Commission of results.

CHARLES C. CROOKS
Chief, Ports & Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

Attachment:

As stated in
Para. 1.

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A.C. EXPORT DIVISION
REGION 1
MESSINA
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File No : ED/19

Messina, 27 February 1945

Subject : Timber-Excess charges of sea freight made by Cogena on
timber for manufacture of citrus cases in Sicily.

TO : HQ.AC. APO 394
(Transportation Sub-Commission)
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1... Attached is a statement showing extra sea freight collected by Cogena in timber hauled by the s/s ITU and S/s Violetta from Calabria to Sicily.

2... DMWTR advised that the sea freight rates of lire 650 per tons was to be charged for voyages to Catania and Syracuse and Lire 675 per tons for voyages to Palermo.

3... It was not possible to weight the timber at Port of loading as all weighing facilities had been destroyed by war damage. When timber arrived at ports of off loading it was checked by Italian Customs Authorities and the weight ascertained.

4... It will be seen from the statement that considerable differences exist between the freight collected by Cogena and the amount due for the timber actually transported at the rates advised by D.M.W.TR.

5... It is requested that you will take steps with Cogena to obtain a refund of the excess charges, which should be paid to Ditta Riccardo Agnello, Via Vaglica 3, Palermo.

6... The case of timber hauled by the schooner "Cuore di Gesù" has been fully reported in our letter No 09I.31/2/8 dated 16/II/44. It is felt this is a case of gross injustice, and your urgent intervention to obtain a fair freight rate is requested.



Car. Stephens
MAJOR I.A.
DIRECTOR EXPORT DIV.
REGION 1 A.C.

Copy to: Commerce Sub-Commission (for information)
D.M.W.T.R. Catania
Ditta Riccardo Agnello Palermo.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
Ref. AC/10.1/6/Tn6

GNW/lml
20 February 1945

SUBJECT : COGEMA - Freight.

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
Foreign Trade Section

1. Reference your letters AC/5127/49/Commerce dated 26 January and AC/5127/49/Commerce dated 27 January 1945.

2. COGEMA has now been authorized to refund excess freight and rates will be based on the tariff now approved by Allied Commission.


CHARLES C. CROOKS, CHIEF
Ports & Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

CC: Sicily Region - Export Division
(Attention: Major Stephens)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
Foreign Trade Section

Tels: 478900
478487
489081 Ext. 611

26 January 1945

Ref. AC/5127/49/Commerce.

SUBJECT: Shipping Instructions - Sicily Region.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission. ✓

1. Referring to the conversation of last Tuesday 23rd inst. between Mr. Crooks - Capt. Rothery of this Section.

2. As we stated, complaints have been received from Export Division Sicily that C.O.G.E.N.A. have raised the freight on timber from Vibo to Palermo to L. 3,596.

3. As we pointed out, these rates were levied on one shipment which arrived at Palermo on December 28th last, and the other which arrived at the same port on January 15th of this year.

4. In both cases, C.O.G.E.N.A. have been requested by Export Division to refund the amount in excess of L.650 per ton, which was the rate paid on the "ITU" as fixed by M.W.T.. This action was taken because, on receipt of a query from Sicily, they were informed, after consultation with Transportation Sub-Commission, Shipping Section, that no change in freight rates would be operative before the 15th of this month. It is now understood that this date has been postponed to the 1st February and that in any case, the rate of L. 3,596 per ton is not agreed by your Sub-Commission.

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5. It is further understood that Shipping Section would also take up the matter of the refund of the excess charge direct with C.O.G.E.N.A..

W.P. Evans
for W.P. EVANS
Colonel,
Director
Comme ce Sub-Commission.

Copy to:

A.C. Sicily Region - Export Division
(Attn: Major Stephens)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
Foreign Trade Section

Tels: 478900
478487
489081 Ext. 611

27 January 1945

Ref. AC/5127/49/Commerce.

SUBJECT: Shipping Instructions - Sicily Region.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Further to our letter under the above reference dated the 26th January dealing with freight on the "Violetta", we now forward you a copy of a letter sent to us by the Director of the Export Division, Sicilia Region, with copies of enclosures referred to therein.

W.P. Evans
W.P. EVANS
Colonel,
Director

Commerce Sub-Commission

4 Encl; copy of letter from
Sicilia Region, and enclosures.

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C O P YALLIED COMMISSION
SICILIA REGION

File No. :-ED/19

24 January 1945

Subject : Timber - Sea Freight.

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394. (for Commerce
Sub-Commission - Foreign Trade Section).

1. We refer to our various telephone conversations regarding the new high sea freight on timber shipped from Calabria.

2. In accordance with your telephone instructions Capt. Hayward claimed a refund from C.O.G.E.N.A. on the freight paid on two voyages made by the S.S. "VIOLETTA" before the 15th of January 1945.

3. Attached is a copy of C.O.G.E.N.A.'s letter regarding this matter and, a copy of a telegram dated 15 January 45 dispatched by C.O.G.E.N.A. Head Office. From the latter it will be seen that C.O.G.E.N.A. is authorised to refuse to allow cargo to be delivered if the freight is not paid.

4. By our letter No. ED/9 of the 11 January 45, it was pointed out that the new freight calculated at Lire 2,657.25 for logs and other charges, made the new cost per box lire 114.65, but if the freight is to be Lire 3,596 per ton, this will make the cost per box calculated with other charges Lire 131.53 each.

5. This matter is brought to your attention as you advised us that the new freight rate was unofficial and would not come into force until after the 15 January.

6. At the maximum price of Lire 280 per box for fruit which is packed, loaded and stowed on ship, it is impossible to pay so high a cost for the box.

7. Please let us have your further instructions and advise.

For the Regional Commissioner:

Copy to: Capt. Hayward, Exp. Div.
Sicilia Reg.4505
C. A. STEPHENS
Major I.A.
Director Exp. Div. Sicilia R.

C O P YCOMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI
"CO. GE. NA."RAPPRESENTANZA PER LA SICILIA

No. 458 SC/3/e

Oggetto : "P/fo Violetta"Palermo 13 Gennaio 45
Via Roma 385

C.A.W. STEPHENS

Major I.A.

Director Export Division - Palermo.

Con riferimento alla stimata Vs/ED/19 del 9 corrente ci preghiamo confermarvi che il nolo comunicatoci dalla ns/ Direzione di Napoli per il noto trasporto di legname da Vibo Valentia a Palermo a mezzo P/fo "Violetta" è di Lire 3596 a tonnellata da bordo a bordo.

Detto nolo ci è stato confermato telefonicamente dalla ns/ predetta Direzione.

In pari data andiamo a trasmettere a quest'ultima copia della pregiata Vostra per le decisioni che la nostra Direzione riterrà opportuno prendere.

Con l'occasione Vi confermiamo che il suddetto nolo di Lire 3596 a tonnellata dovrà essere applicato per il trasporto di legname effettuato dal piroscafo in oggetto nel suo viaggio tutt'ora in corso.

Gradite distinti saluti.

P.S. per Vs/ op. ortuna conoscenza Vi rinettiamo con la presente copia di lettera N. 2605/SC del 4 corrente e del telegramma del 15/1/45 della Direzione del Cogena di Napoli, a conferma di quanto sopra detto.

Signed: Comitato Italiano Gest. Navi.
"CO. GE. NA"

Rappresentanza per la Sicilia

C.A.W. STEPHENS
Major I.A.
Director Export Division - Palermo.

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All - 2 -

Signed: Comitato Italiano Gest. Navi.
"CO. GE. NA"
Rappresentanza per la Sicilia

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C O P Y

E/fo "Violetta"

2605/SC

4 Gennaio 1945

Spett/ "CO. GE. NA."
Sub-Agenzia di Vibo Valentia

per conoscenza:

Spett/ Cogenà - Palermo
" " - Reggio Calabria.

Vi confermiamo i seguenti telegrammi del 30/12/1944:
a cotesta Sub-Agenzia " Giungeravvi primo Gennaio piroscalo
" Violetta per trasporto legname costì Palermo punto Applicate
" nolo 3596 tonnellata bordo bordo informando Palermo se regolabile
" destino assicurateci."

Alla Rappresentanza di Reggio: "Piroscalo Violetta effettuerà
"trasporto legname Vibo Palermo primi gennaio informando Vibo
"applicare nolo 3596 tonnellata bordo bordo."

Restiamo ora in attesa di conoscere il tonnellaggio
imbarcato ed il nolo complessivamente percepito sulla base di
Lit. 3.596 a tonnellata da bordo a bordo.

Distinti saluti.

IL DIRETTORE

Signed: Dott. Eugenio Sarnella

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Distinti saluti.

IL DIRETTORE

Signed: Dott. Eugenio Sarnella

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NAPOLI 15/1/45

COGENA PALERMO

VOSTRO 13 CONFERMIAMO NOLO LEGNAME VIOLETTE VIBO VALENTIA
PALERMO LIRE 3596 TONNELLATA BORDO BORDO FUNTO MANCATO
PAGAMENTO NOLO INCBISCE CONSEGNA MERCE FUNTO ASSICURATECI
SCRIVIAMO

DRE COGENA SARNELLA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
A.P.O. 394

CSW/lp

To : - Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi " CO. GE. NA. "
Piazza Carita' 32 - NAPOLI.

SUBJECT : - Accounts in respect of Freight Charges.

14th June 1945

32/A/Tn.1

- 1 Ref you letter 138-143 and 162/SC/P dated 8th June 1945 in respect of shipping Freight Charges.
- 2 We are returning this correspondence as it appears to have been forwarded erroneously to this Headquarters. It should of course, be sent to the Italian Government for settlement.

*Original signed
by
Col. Thomas*

For the Director,

(M.B. THOMAS) Colonel
Deputy Director

Copy to : - Finance Sub-Commission (attn Chief Accountant)
Trans. " " (" Major Godfrey)
" " " (" Mr. Basanella)

GBG/mdp

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

Ref. : AG/503/152/Tm 3

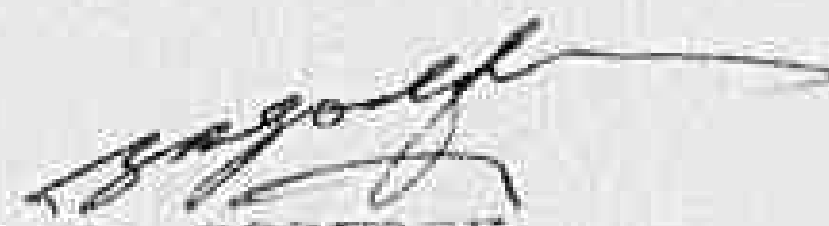
24 May 1945

SUBJECT : Delay to Schooners.

TO : Messrs. A. Lupo Reimondi, Rome.

1. Reference your unreferenced letter dated 28 April 1945.
2. Action has been taken by this Sub-Commission with the High Commissioner and Sargel, relative to the statements made in your letter.
3. On receipt of reply from the High Commissioner, we will advise you further in this matter.

For the Director :


G. B. SARGEL,
Major I. E.

Copy to : Port & Warehouse Division.

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TRANSNATIONAL TRAFFIC COMMISSION
 APO 394
 Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ref. : 13/303/150/TN 1

24 May 1949

SUBJECT : Delay to Schooners.

TO : Alto Commissariato per l'Alimentazione.

1. Confirming conversations between this Sub-Commission and your Office, attached is a copy of a letter dated 28 April received from Messrs. A. Ingo and G. Ingo regarding an apparently unauthorized stop on four schooners allocated to this Company.

2. It is requested that an explanation be received from your Office as to the reason as to why these vessels were stopped, and what authority Dr. De Giorgi has to impose such a stop.

3. It is further requested that this Sub-Commission be advised that if the facts as stated in the attached letter are true, what steps are being prepared to take to reimburse this firm for the loss incurred.

For the Director :

[Signature]
 G. J. JOHNSON,
 Major I. I.

Copy to : Messrs. Schooner General Board, Naples.
 Economic Section.
 Port & Warehouse Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
Ports & Warehouse Division

Tel. 290
Ref. AC/10.1/14/Tn6

RMB:mvm
16 May 1945

SUBJECT: COGNA

TO : Col. M. J. Sieff, Chief
Movements Division

1. We refer to copy sent to you of our letter to Mr. Crooks of 3 May 1945, ref. AC/10/11/Tn6.

2. Attached is copy of reply received from Mr. Crooks with translation of letter received from A. Lupo Raimondo for your attention.

R. M. BAZZANELLA, Chief
Ports & Warehouse Division

Attachment as stated in para 2

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MEDITERRANEAN SCHOONER CONTROL BOARD,
NAPLES.

11 May 45.

76/Shipping/54

SUBJECT : Messrs A. Lupo Raimondo.

TO : Port & Warehouse Division,
(Att: Mr Bazzanella),
Transportation Sub-Commission,
H.Q. Allied Commission.

1. Ref your letter AC/10/11/Tn6 dated 3 May 45,
and copy of translation of letter received from the above
named Firm.

2. Immediately upon receipt of request of
Shipper to change port of discharge from Civitavecchia to
Piombino, we asked Movements Shipping for their directions.
They advised us to send the vessels to Piombino to discharge.
The same day orders by telegraph were sent to the COGENA
Agent at Civitavecchia to order the vessels to Piombino to
discharge. COGENA was in no way involved in the mix up.



CHARLES C. CROOKS,
Medbo Schooner Control Board,
Naples.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 347
Ref. AC/10/11/Tn6

JEM/lml
3 May 1945

SUBJECT : Attached Letter - COGNIA.

TO : Mr. Charles C. Crooks
Schooner Control Board
Allied Commission, Naples

1. Attached herewith you will find a copy of a translation of a letter received from Messrs. A. Iupo Reimondo of Rome and Palermo, dated 28 April 1945.

2. Will you please investigate claims and report fully to this Division.

R. M. BAZZANELLA
Chief, Ports & Wharves Division

Attachment:

As stated above.

CC: Col. M. J. Sieff

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TRANSLATION of letter dated 28 Apr 1945, addressed by Messrs. A. LUPO RAINONDO, Rome and Palermo, to the ALLIED COMMISSION HQ, TRANSPORTATION S/C, PORTS DIVISION, with copy to ECONOMIC SECTION.

We beg to ask the Allied Commission to take careful note of all stated below by the writer:

At the end of March last we had allotted by Cogena of Naples (Schooner Control Sub-Committee) four motorschooners: "Due Sorelle", "Lucia Madre", "Maria Di Porto Salvo", "Bernardino", for the carriage of various foodstuffs from Palermo to the mainland.

The foodstuffs loaded were: Tomato concentrate, Concentrated Grape Juice, Salted Fish, Citrus, Dried Fruit and sumac.

We point out that the goods loaded have free sale, and are not included in rationed or restricted goods. After careful soundings we found that the Rome market was saturated with said goods, so we decided for the carriage to the Tuscan provinces, then without such goods, and on 4/4/45 we asked the Alto Commissariato per l'Alimentazione to authorize the carriage to Tuscany, permit which was given forthwith.

On 6/4/45 there arrived at Civitavecchia, in transit for Piombino with regular permits, these motorschooners, and to discharge only the sumac (for tanning).

As soon as discharged the sumac, the boats were about to sail, when the SEPRAL intervened, in the person of the Director, Dr. De Giorgi, who communicated by arbitrary order, to the port Authority of Civitavecchia, to the Command of the Carabinieri, to the Mayor of the town, to stop these vessels, because, according to the SEPRAL, the goods on board should be blocked and discharged at Rome, and the Sepral sent the same order to Cogena, Rome, who was obliged to stop the motorschooners, at the same time making ample reserves to the Sepral for the expenses of lay-days and demurrage, which the vessels were requesting.

The undersigned on learning what had happened, hastened to bring to the knowledge of the Alto Commissariato all this, and the latter after investigations ordered the SEPRAL on 11/4/45 to withdraw the stoppage, so that the vessels could go on to their destination. However this order was not carried out by the Sepral with due haste, as was recommended to them, and we succeeded in getting the motorschooners away only on the 14th. April, due to insistence of the undersigned, showing proof to the competent Authorities, with copies of the message which the Alto Commissariato had sent to the Sepral, in which the departure of the boats was ordered.

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The behaviour of the Sepral may be called incomprehensible, when one thinks that it is the Office which should protect to the utmost the interests for supplying the population, and should not embarrass and aggravate further the situation, already precarious enough, nor oblige precious tonnage to lie idle.

If we consider that having kept these motorschooners idle at Civitavecchia for 8 days, when these could have in that time very well have completed discharge at port of destination, and returned to their port of departure to load for a new voyage, the action of the Sepral is very discussible.

The arbitrary stoppage ordered by the Sepral has cost this Firm the sum of Lire 58974.40, which the Cogena has collected for demurrage on the motorschooners, besides other not indifferent losses suffered through consequent deterioration of some of the goods (Citrus), and delayed arrival, damages which should fall exclusively on the Sepral, since this latter is the sole responsible.

We would ask the Allied Commission to kindly intervene, and

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and invite the Sepral to reimburse us of expenses and damage suffered, before the undersigned is obliged to have recourse to the Courts.

We trust that, after careful investigation of the above facts, the Allied Commission will take the necessary measures.

Thanking you, we are, etc.

A. LUPO RAIMONDO
(signed) illegible

TRANSLATION:

A. LUPO RAIMONDO
PALERMO,

20/3/1945

Allied Commission Headquarters
Economic Section

Copy to Ports and Warehouse Division,

ROME.

On 14/2/45, as per copy attached, we asked the COGENA of Naples to remit us Lire 390.003.35, which we were made to pay in excess on the goods loaded by us on s/o "GAETA" from

Palermo to Torre Annunziata.

Said COGENA informs us that they have already paid the sums to the owner and that they are not to remit us anything.

We think that it is a misunderstanding on the part of the above Cogenas, and we beg this Commission to take up the matter with the MEDBO so that there may be remitted to us the difference due to us.

We would ask you to kindly honour us with a kind reply, and remain,

Yours truly,

(sd) A. Lupu Raimondo

Translation of enclosure:

To Comitato Gestione Navi - Naples

4495

Goods shipped on s.s. "Gaeta".

As per information supplied to us by the A.C. of Rome, Transportation Sub-Commission, the tariff which should have been applied was that of the Tirrenis 1942 and relative rates multiplied by 15, which for the goods shipped by us works out as follows:

Lemons & mandarines	Tone	7.-	L. 1690	-	L. 11,830.-
Vermouth Marsala in berrals	"	110.590	" 2757	-	" 304,896,65
Common wine	"	106.800	" 1690	-	" 180,492.-
Salted fish & carob beans	"	13,700	" 1690	-	" 23,153.-
					L. 520,371,65

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instead of L. 910,375.--, with a difference in our favor of Lire 390.003,35 which kindly remit to us at sight in accordance with orders you have from A.C. Rome.

We are sure to find you in agreement, and awaiting your remittances, we are, etc.

A. LUPO RAIMONDO
ESPORTAZIONE PRODOTTI SICILIANI
PALERMO



Reparto
Varie F.p.
(da indicare nella risposta)

PALERMO, 20 / 3 / 1945-
ITALIA

ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS
ECONOMIC SECTION
Copy to Ports & Warehouse
Division
R O M A

In data 14/ 2/ 1945, come da copia di lettera
acclusa, abbiamo invitato il COGENA di Napoli a rimetter-
ci Lire 390.003,35 fattoci pagare in più per la merce
da noi caricata sull' S/S Gaeta da Palermo a Torre Annun-
ziata.-

Detto COGENA ci informa di avere già versato
le somme all' armatore e che nulla é tenuta a rimetter=
ci.-

Crediamo trattasi di un malinteso da parte del
Gogena suddetto e preghiamo detta Commissione di volersi
interessare presso la MEDBO onde farci rimettere la dif-
ferenza spettante.

Pregandovi di onorarci di una Vostra cortese ri-
sposta e fiduciosi, distintamente Vi salutiamo.

P:P. A. LUPO RAIMONDO

(COPIA)

li, 14/ 2/ 1943-

Spett/le COMITATO GESTIONE NAVI
N A P O L I

MERCE IMBARCATA SULL(S/S GAETA :-

Giuste informazioni forniteci dall' A.C. di Roma -
sub/ Commissione Alleata Ufficio Trasporti, la tariffa che doveva
essere applicata era quella della Tirrenia 1942 e relativi noli
x 15, - che per la merce da noi imbarcata portano al conteggio
sotto descritta :

Limoni e mandarini	Tonn. 7,- a L. 1690 =	L. 11.830,=
Vermout marsala in fusti	"110,590 " 2757 =	" 304.896,65
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pronta rimessa, distintamente salutiamo.

FIRMA: LUIGI LUPO

AL LUPO RAIMONDO
Via Napoli, N.28
PALERMO

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TRANSLATION
A. LUPO RAIMONDO
PALERMO,

20/3/1945

Allied Commission Headquarters
Economic Section

Copy to Ports and Warehouse Division,

ROME.

On 14/2/45, as per copy attached, we asked the COGENA of Naples to remit us Lire 320.003.35, which we were made to pay in excess on the goods loaded by us on s/s "GAETA" from Palermo to Torre Annunziata.

Said COGENA informs us that they have already paid the sums to the owner and that they are not to remit us anything.

We think that it is a misunderstanding on the part of the above Cogena, and we beg this Commission to take up the matter with the VEDBO so that there may be remitted to us the difference due to us.

We would ask you to kindly honour us with a kind reply, and remain,

Yours truly,

(sd) A. Lupu Raimondo

Translation of enclosure:

To Comitato Gestione Navi - Naples

Goods shipped on s.s. "Gaeta".

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Lemons & mandarines	Tons	7.-	L. 1690 -	L. 11,830.-
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instead of L. 210,375.--, with a difference in our favor of Lire 390.003,35 which kindly remit to us at sight in accordance with orders you have from A.C. Rome.

We are sure to find you in agreement, and awaiting your remittance, we are, etc.

A. LUPO RAIMONDO

ESPORTAZIONE PRODOTTI SICILIANI

PALERMO



Reparto
Varie F.P.
(da indicare nella risposta)

PALERMO, 20 / 3 / 1945-
ITALIA

ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS

ECONOMIC SECTION

Copy to Ports & Warehouse
Division

R O M A

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ziata.-

Detto COGENA ci informa di avere già versato
le somme all' armatore e che nulla è tenuta a rimettere
ci.-

Crediamo trattarsi di un malinteso da parte del
Gogena suddetto e preghiamo detta Commissione di volersi
interessare presso la MEDBO onde farci rimettere la dif-
ferenza spettante.

Pregandovi di onorarci di una Vostra cortese ri-
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14, 14/ 2/ 1943-

Spett./le COMITATO GESTIONE NAVI
N A P O L IMERCE IMBARCATA SULL' S/S GAETA :-

Giuste informazioni forniteci dall' A.C. di Roma -
sub/ Commissione Allesta Ufficio Trasporti, la tariffa che doveva
essere applicata era quella della Tirrenia 1942 e relativi noli
x 15, - che per la merce da noi imbarcata portano al conteggio
sotto descritta :

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION

Tel. 290

Ref. AC/12/4/Tn6- *cc/10.1/16/16*

RMB/mvm

23 May 1945

SUBJECT: Payment of Freight - Shipment of Cotton Seed,
Siracusa to Malta ex motor schooner "META" #1763

TO : AMG, Toscana Region
(Att. Capt. G. W. Hall)

1. Attached please find copy of letter received from
COGENA, Naples on the above subject.
2. Request your advice in the matter as soon as possible.

R. M. BAZZANELLA, Chief
Ports & Warehouse Division

Attachment as stated in para 1.

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ra

"CO.GE.NA."

32, Pza Carità-tele: 53211

Napoli

Ref : 4611/Sc

30 April 1945

SUBJECT: M/s Meta N°1763

TO : ALLIED SUB-COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
Rome

On February the 8th, the Ministry of war Transport, Mediterranean Representative, has told us that the m/schooner META N.1763, should have loaded at Siracusa a cargo of cotton seeds for Malta, and that the freight should be collected at the Allied Commission of Palermo, on behalf of which the shipment was operated.

According to our instructions the Palermo Agency sent to Capt. Hall of the Palermo A.C., Economic and Supply Division the envoyce of 156,839,80 liras for the payment of the freight, but no reply was given.

Now the mentioned Agency has informed us that the Palermo A.C. offices have been closed and that Capt. Hall has left the town, and thus it is impossible to settle the question.

Therefore we are compelled to address ourselves to your courtesy, hoping that you will help us in collecting the payment of the mentioned freight.

Sure that you will take proper action we send you in the meantime our best regards.

THE DIRECTOR
(sgd. Doct. Eugenio Sarnella)

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Schooners

TN. S/C

COMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI
"CO. GE. NA."

OGGETTO
m/v META n° 1763N°
4611 /SCDATA
NAPOLI 30 Aprile 1945

PIAZZA SANITA, 25 - TEL. 45-911

d'I

Spett/ ALLIED COMMISSION
Transportation Sub Commission

R O M A

In data 8/2 u.s. questo MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT, Medi-
terranean Representative, comunicandoci che il motoveliero META
n°1763 doveva imbarcare a Siracusa una partita di semi di cotone
destinata a Malta, ci interessò di recuperare il nolo presso la
Commissione Alleata di Palermo, per conto della quale veniva ef-
fettuato il trasporto.

La ns/ Rappresentanza di Palermo a seguito di ns/ di-
sposizioni non mancò di inviare al Cap. Mister HALL dell'A.C. di
Palermo, Economy and Supply Division, il relativo conteggio del
nolo, ammontante a L. 156.639,80, ma senza averne avuto riscontro.

Ora siamo informati dalla predetta ns/ Rappresentanza
che gli Uffici dell'AC di Palermo hanno cessato di funzionare,
che il Cap. Mr. Hall ha lasciato la città per cui non è più in
grado di portare a termine la pratica.

Siamo pertanto costretti, nostro malgrado, a rivolger-
ci alla Vs/ ben nota cortesia per pregarVi di volerci mettere
in grado di recuperare il nolo in questione.

Sicuri del Vs/ interessamento, ve ne ringraziamo in
anticipo mentre Vi porgiamo i sensi della ns/ profonda stima.

IL DIRETTORE
Dott/Eugenio Sarnella

E. Sarnella

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TRANSPORTATION
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION

Tel. 290
Ref. AC/10.1/12/Tn6

RMB:mvm
14 May 1945

SUBJECT: COGENA Freight

TO: Mr. C. C. Crooks
Transportation Sub Commission
Naples

1. For your information and handling please find attached original letter from Ditta Zerini & Tudisco asking for reimbursement on freight charges paid on about 50 tons of vermouth shipped on the steamer "GAETA" at Palermo 25 December 1944.

R. M. BAZZANELLA, Chief
Ports & Warehouse Division

Attachment

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Translation of letter of Messrs. Zarini & T. Disco of Palermo,
(temporary address in Rome) to AC, Tn.S/C, dated 4 May 1945

Through my representative Mr. Franco De Caro, we presented
a letter to Cogena, Naples, asking for reimbursement on freight
paid on about 50 tons of vermouth shipped on the steamer "GAETA"
at Palermo, 25 December 1944.

The Cogena of Naples told us verbally that this difference
of overpaid freight could not be recovered since the Allied
Authorities have not so arranged.

We beg to ask you therefore to re-examine the matter, and feel
sure you will benevolently consider it.

Since ^{one of} the Partners of the Firm is in Rome, please ask for payment
to be made in the name of Zarini Angelo, Albergo Genio, Rome.

Sitta ZARINI & TUDISCO
(sd) Zarini

Vermouth Kilos 54517
Freight paid L. 265334.--
Freight as p. ruling tariff 150303.35 (170 miles, 3rd cat. at L.2757)
diff. to be reimbursed L.115030.65

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Roma 4 maggio 1945

To

Allied Commission

Transportation Sub-Commission

R o m e

A mezzo del mio rappresentante Sig. Franco De Caro, al Cogena di Napoli abbiamo presentato istanza al fine di avere il rimborso sul nolo pagato su circa 50 tonnellate di Vermouth imbarcate sul Vapore "GAETA" a Palermo il 25 dicembre 1944.

Il Cogena di Napoli ha risposto verbalmente che questa differenza di nolo pagato in più, non poteva essere rimborsata, perchè essi aveva disposto la Superiore Autorità Alleata.

Si prega per tanto di volere riesaminare la pratica qui in Roma, richiamandola da Napoli sicuri dell'accoglimento benevolo da parte di cotesto Ufficio.

Dato che uno dei Titolari della predetta Ditta trovasi a Roma si prega di intestare il mandato di pagamento al nome di Zarini Angelo, Albergo Genio - Roma 6.

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Ditta ZARINI & TUDISCO

Transportation Sub-Commission

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Ditta ZARINI & TUDISCO

Vermouth Kilog. 54517

Nolo pagato L. 265334.-

Nolo tariffa vigente " 150303.35

Differenza p. rimborso L. 115030.65

(170 migliaia, 3^a cat. a L. 2757)

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMISSION
C/o Southern Region

T O

: Mr. GIBSON GRAHAM, Chairman
Mediterranean Shipping Board
A.F.H.Q.

March, 31st, 1945

Copy to

: TN SUB COMMISSION ✓
A.C. H.Q.

: Mr. Robert Nichol, WSA, AFHQ

: CO. GE. NA - Naples

SUBJECT

: REBATE FOR FREIGHT OVERCHARGE.

Several shippers who paid Co. Ge. Na freight charges based on the so called Palermo tariff classification have asked for rebates for the difference in charges over the agreed rate based on Tirrenia classification.

At a meeting in the offices of Co. Ge. Na attended by yourself, Mr. Nichol, Mr. Campbell, Col. Balfour, General Matteini, Dr. Sarnella and myself among others, it was agreed that those shippers who made application for a rebate would be repaid.

So far Co. Ge. Na has refused payment on the ground that they do not have the authority. Will you please issue the necessary instructions so that Co. Ge. Na may settle these claims.

Charles C. Crooks

CHARLES C. CROOKS

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

CCC/lml

Tel. 394

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Shipping Freight Rates.

TO : A. G. Antolipi, Acting Vice-President
Economic Section

FROM : Charles C. Grooks

1. Reference Transportation Sub-Commission letter AC/12/5/Tn6 dated 22 March 1945 in reply to Industry Sub-Commission letter AC/5616/IND dated 20 March, copies attached.

2. Para. 2-A: These rates were agreed upon on the assumption that losses incurred in the operation of schooners would be partly born by the increase profits shown by coasters under the new rates. As soon as it became evident that MEBEC had instructed CO-GE-NA to keep the accounts separate, Ports and Warehouse Division made representation to Movements Division to take the matter up with MEBEC, and object to the unnecessary high rate charged by coasters. Nothing has resulted so far.

3. Para. 2-B: The rates fixed were purely arbitrary, based on 15 times the August 1942 Italian Steamship Tariff. As an experiment, it was to run for three months at which time an audit was to be made and rates adjusted.

4. Para. 3 & 4: We do not concur that government subsidy is necessary or advisable. Certain essential commodities, such as pyrites, which are shipped as full cargoes, should be given special rates. Suitable vessels should be released for the carriage of the material and the shipper and/or receiver then could make special arrangements with the operator of the vessel. As an example, a ship operator has agreed to carry pyrites on this run at Lire 750 per ton, which in our opinion is still high.

Para. 4-4: The Port of Portigliore has been used successfully year around for over a half a century. Considering the importance of pyrites to the whole economy of this country, it is our opinion that pressure should have been brought to bear on the highest authority to grant permission for the use of the port during the past winter. Italian shipping people have been unable to understand the waste of shipping caused by Allied refusal to use the port before the first of April.

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Para. 4-B: There will be valid reason for an upward revision of freight on any commodity, because when schooner and coaster freights are pooled, an immediate general reduction of freight rates are to be expected.

Industry Sub-Commission in my opinion is entirely justified in its complaint.

Mr. Bayard McDonnell, Ports and Warehouse Division, Transportation Sub-Commission and Dr. Bakken, will bear out our claim that a pool of coaster and schooner rates was proposed when rates were up for discussion.

CHARLES C. CROOKS.

Attachments:

As stated in
Para. 1.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
Ref. AG/12/5/Tn6

OWEN/lml
22 March 1945

SUBJECT : Freight Charges

TO : Economics & Supply Division
Lazio - Umbria Region - (Attention: Major Henry G. Jenkins)

1. For your information we quote below freight rates for wine in barrels for discharge at Civitavecchia:

Schooners/Coasters:

Peri	2,743 Lire	)	
Brindisi	2,633 "	)	
Gallipoli	2,498 "	)	
Taranto	2,550 "	)	
Riposto	2,133 "	)	per ton of gross weight
Catania	2,158 "	)	(metric tons)
Siracusa	2,212 "	)	
Palermo	1,897 "	)	
Trepani	1,897 "	)	

These rates became effective on 11 February 1945.

2. If coasters are used demurrage rates are fixed each time according to the tonnage of the ship.

R. M. BAZZANELLA
Chief, Port & Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

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TELEGRAMMI { LIGUROMA-GENOVA
LIGUROMA-ROMATELEFONO { GENOVA 581-068
ROMA 63-007

La Ligure Romana

SOCIETA' DI NAVIGAZIONE MARITTIMA E FLUVIALE
ANONIMA CAPITALE L. 3.000.000 VERSATO
C. P. E. GENOVA N. 10526

SEDE IN
E N O V A
FIESCHI, 28-30 R.
AGENZIA IN
R O M A
DELLA MERCEDE, 64

Roma, March 1st 1945

To
Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission
R o m e

Ad P. W. Dio

SUBJECT : m/s "PUNTAMICA" - Palermo to Rome

1. This ship will be presumably ready to sail with "C.A.P.A.I." cargo on March 12th from Palermo, and on March 14th from Trapani.

2. We have been advised that "CO.GE.NA." Agents in Palermo are asking that freight should be paid to them, before loading is commenced.

3. We beg to remind you that we made arrangements with "C.A.P.A.I.", with your authorization, to the effect that freight, reckoned on the ton-mile "CO.GE.NA." rate, will be paid directly to us. We are to pay to "CO.GE.NA." only its due of four per cent (4%) on total gross amount of freight, although the ship is clearly managed and run according to your instruction but directly by us.

4. Having paid for all repairs, we cannot pay also salvage claim unless we receive the amount due to us under arrangements with "C.A.P.A.I."; we have therefore asked you to signal to "A.C." Palermo to the effect that freight shall be paid at this end.

We thank you for your support on this matter

Yours very truly

LA LIGURE ROMANA S.A.
William

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 259
Ref. AC/10.1/8/Tn6

BMD/lml
26 February 1945

SUBJECT : Freight for Schooner Bernardino A - Tobacco Monopoly.

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
Availability Section

1. Reference your letter AC/5136/Commerce dated 8 February 1945.
2. In an interview with officials of COGENA on 22 February 1945, it was disclosed that an advance of 30 days freight charges are now being requested due to difficulties encountered by schooners operating because of weather conditions.
3. In all cases where schooners operate in less than thirty days time, COGENA will refund the difference.

B. McDonald
for CHARLES C. CROOKS CHIEF
Ports & Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Interview with Cogena on 27/2/45

Freight per schooner " BERNARDINO A " - Tobacco Monopoly

The Cogena asked an advance of 30 days freight because now, in winter time, a schooner may take as much as 50 days, and if, as is hoped, the schooner should take less than 30 days there will be a refund.

B.M.R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 478703

Availability Section

CAM/JR/rc

Ref. AC/5136/Commerce

8 February 1945

SUBJECT: Freight for schooner BERNARDINO A

TO : Transportation S/C (Shipping Branch)
(Attn.: Capt. Hoyle)

1. Attached copy of letter from the State Tobacco Monopoly of 6 Febr. 45 with translation is forwarded to you for attention.

2. The amount of Lire 244.800 asked for by the Cogena for the cargo shipped by the schooner Bernardino A, amounting to only 23 tons net, seems to be excessive and not corresponding to the scale of timecharter hire for schooners established.

3. It is therefore requested that the calculation of the Cogena be examined and the result communicated to us.

for
W. P. EVANS

Colonel

Director

Commerce Sub-Commission

Incls.: Copy of letter with
translation from Tob. Mon.

Copy to: Dir. Gen. Monopoli Stato, P.zza Mastai - Roma.

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Roma 6 Febbraio 1945

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Amministrazione dei
Monopoli di Stato

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
Availability Section
Via Veneto
ROMA

Servizio Trasporti
Prot. N. 09/509

OGGETTO: Spese di noleggio per il trasporto tabacchi da Gallipoli in Sicilia.

Si comunica a codesta Sottocommissione, per conoscenza, quanto contenuto nella nota n. 570 del 26 gennaio u.s. pervenutaci dalla Manifattura Tabacchi di Lecce:

"Il 20 corrente è giunto a Gallipoli il motoveliero "Bernardino" di cui al telegramma n. 195 del 12 corr. di codesta Direzione Generale.

L'Agente del Cogena come condizione per effettuare il carico del tabacco ha invitato a firmare un contratto di subnoleggio ed a pagare la somma anticipata di L.244.800 - così ripartita:

L. 6.660 - di nolo per giorno	L. 199.800-
e per 30 giorni	" 30.000-
15% per assicurazione	" 15.000-
per nafta olio consumi etc.	

Totale

L. 244.800-

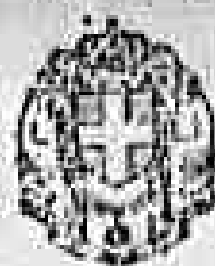
Il calcolo è fatto per la stazza del veliero che è di circa tonn. 90- mentre in effetti la portata utile effettiva sarà di appena circa tonn. 20 di tabacco.

Il calcolo è poi fatto per una durata preventiva di noleggio per giorni trenta. Se il motoveliero "Bernardino" impiegherà meno di trenta giorni a compiere il viaggio, a destinazione raggiunta, dovrà farsi il conguaglio.

- OMISSIS -

Il Direttore
f.to Nicastro"

IL REGGENTE
(firma illegibile)



MINISTERO DELLE COMUNICAZIONI

MINISTERO DEI TRASPORTI
FERROVIE DELLO STATO - DIREZIONE GENERALE

SERVIZIO APPROVVIGIONAMENTI - UFFICIO ~~XXXXXXXX~~ CARBONI
CENTRALE

Indirizzo telegrafico: MONOCARBO - ROMA

N. A. ~~XXX~~ UCC/1/196

al N.

del

Roma, February, 1945-X

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Industry Sub-Commission

Coal Division

APO 394

Subject:

Gaeta Stock-pile

1. With reference to your letter No. AC/IND/CD/19/94 of the 15th inst. we beg to inform you that we have submitted the said letter to our Director General, and therefore we shall revert on the matter in due time.

2. In the meantime we shall be pleased if you will let us know whether the Transportation Sub-Commission has agreed any rates of freight with the "COGENA" for the shipments of coal already made, and, in the affirmative, what are the rates agreed.

THE HEAD OF THE OFFICE

M. A. S. M.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 394
Ref. AG/10.1/5/Tn6

GHEW/1ml
20. February 1945

SUBJECT : COGEMA - Freight.

TO : Regional Supply Officer, Lazio Umbria Region
(Attention: R. E. Horn, Major BR.).

1. Reference your letter EX/1952 dated 16 January 1945.
2. COGEMA has now been authorized to refund excess freight and rates will be based on the tariff now approved by Allied Commission.

CHARLES C. CROOKS, CHIEF
Ports & Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

CC: Adj. Files
E. & S. Files

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
APO 394

ES/ 1352

Rome, January 16, 1945

Subject : Freight paid on citrus ex ss "Le Trait"
To : Transportation(Schooners) Sub-Commission A.C.

1. Attached herewith is translation of a letter dated the 12 inst received from Dr. Bevilacqua a shipper on the steamer "Le Trait"

2. It is felt that this rate of freight is exorbitant. As active measures are being taken to keep the price of citrus as low as possible could some action be taken to reduce this rate and reimburse the shippers concerned.

3. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

For the Regional Commissioner

R. E. Horn
R. E. HORN, Major BR.
Regional Supply Officer
Lazio Umbria Region

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Translation

Rome, 12 January 1945

TO A.C.
Capt. Lester

Our Organization has loaded on the steamer "Le Trait" at Catania destination Civitavecchia 140.900 Tons of citrus fruits, bill of lading No.18 dated 7 January 1945.

For this bill we deposited with COGENA for freight and incidentals L. 661.000,=, that is more than double the usual charges.

We are therefore protesting this unjustified increase and we would appreciate your intervention in our behalf so that we may obtain the proper reimbursement.

Signed BEVILACQUA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
APO 394

ES/1352

Rome, January 17, 1945

Subject : Excessive freight charges on citrus.

TO : Transportation (Schooners)
Allied Commission = Sub-Commission

1. Attached herewith is original letter dated 16 January received from the Federazione Italiana dei Consorzi Agrari regarding the high rate of freight charged on citrus ex the SS "Le Trait" Sicily to Civitavecchia.

2. The increase from 2 lire per kilo to 4,30 makes stabilization of citrus prices difficult. May action be taken to adjust this matter.

For the Regional Commissioner

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Federazione Italiana dei Consorzi Agrari

(LEGGI 18 MAGGIO 1942 N. 566) - ROMA VIA XXIV MAGGIO 43

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SEZIONE ORTOFRUTTICOLA



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ROMA 16/1/45

VIA XXIV MAGGIO 43 - Casella Postale 1317

AL SIG. CAP. LESTER
Comando Militare Alleato
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Con ringraziamenti anticipati.

IL CAPO DEL SERVIZIO
(Dott. STEFANO TONAZZI)

E AND S DIV.

LAZIO UMBRIA REGION

REC'D JAN 17 1945

TO *Cap. Lester*

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Translation of letter addressed by Dr. Leopoldo De Simone, representative ACPD, to the Ministry of Marine, Department of the Mercantile Marine, and dated 8th. Feby. 1945. Copy for information to Transportation S/C, Rome.

The undersigned Dr. Leopoldo De Simone, President of the Soc. An. ACPD (Azienda Consorziale Prodotti Ortofrutticoli e Derivati), head office in Palermo (via Bentivegna 11), makes the following statement:

The ACPD shipped at Palermo on the steamer "GAETA" No. 18973 cases of citrus fruit (nearly all mandarines) for Naples. We paid to the Co.-Ge.-Na. the total freight of Lire 2,591,496.10 equal to Lire 3.75 per kilo, higher by Lire 1.75 per kilo to the maximum tariff as published by the Palermo Office of the Cogena in the "Giornale di Sicilia" of 25th. January last, and of which copy is attached for information, and we point out that the publication is after the ACPD loaded on the "GAETA". The order for loading was issued in Palermo for 15th. December last by Lt. Dowse, British officer then attached to the A.C. of Palermo, and by Comm. Barbera, local manager of the COGENA, and we were recommended to hold the goods ready for that day and effect the loading of the citrus in three days, as the ship on being loaded with a certain quantity of Allied goods, for which 36 hours were foreseen, would leave immediately for Naples, where after a day's sailing she would touch to proceed forthwith to discharge all goods shipped.

However only on 22nd. December last was loading of citrus started under care of the local representative of the COGENA, and at expense of shippers, but loading proceeded very slowly and with great negligence because at the same time wine was being loaded which used up most of the hooks and hold space, so much so that for many nights a large number of cases of citrus were left on the quay.

Through loading at the same time both citrus and wine, the citrus remained in the hold 8 days awaiting departure, in spite of the fact that it is very perishable and that a high rate of freight had been paid. To this must be added that in spite of the assurances received, and that the most elementary diligence might have counselled the maximum of care, owing to the nature of the goods and the present national situation, the citrus was badly stowed in the neighbourhood of the engine room, and under other goods, also badly stowed.

To this must be added that previously there had been agreed a freight of Lire 2 per kilogram, but when the citrus were already on board there was requested a further Lire 1.75 per kg., that is to say when the shipper had already paid the expenses for loading and was therefore unable to withdraw the goods without incurring certain and very heavy damage. In defence of the ACPD intervened Major Drink (Dring?) and Lt. Dowse by telephoning to the Cogena, Naples and to their agents in Palermo. However the reply was that the freight could no longer be modified.

To make the situation worse the "GAETA", which ~~was~~ C/P was bound for Naples, on arrival in that port in the afternoon of 31st. December last, sailed the following day for Torre Annunziata with-

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We think it well to indicate the movements of the ship:

30th. December	sailed from Palermo
31st. do.	arrived at Naples
1st. January	sailed from Naples and arrived at Torre Annunziata

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2nd. January sailed from Torre An. and arrives at Naples and discharges Allied cargo.

3rd. do. sailed from Naples and arrives at Torre Annunziata remaining in roads

7th. do. discharges in the afternoon by craft but only 196 cases of citrus property of the ACPD and 200 cases property of other firms.

8 & 9 do. in roads without discharging anything

10th. do. enters port and moors, and at 1500 at last starts discharge.

16th. do. finished discharging citrus fruit.

From the above it will be seen that from the beginning of loading up to discharging at Torre Annunziata 28 (twenty-eight) days elapsed; this explains which from the hold was discharged ~~damaged~~ goods damaged up to 90% with a real and effective loss to the ACPD of 12,000,000 Lire. The responsibility of the charterer is most clear and therefore the undersigned is applying to the Judicial Authorities. To the undersigned it seems however opportune that publicity which would be harmful should be avoided in this moment so serious for the nation. Without doubt the judgment of the Court would bring to the public knowledge of how the first steps in national economy reconstruction are looked after, and also the way in which the economy of the Island is safeguarded in an attempt to export, and how are safeguarded the interests of the consumer.

We inform the Ministry which superintends the Cogena of everything, since the latter, with extreme simplicity, has recently tried, through the Head Office in Naples, to repel the claim presented in accordance with art. 27 of the general B/L conditions by Mr. Giovanni Scaduto, consignee of the cargo.

The undersigned therefore believes it opportune to ascertain:

- 1) which and how much goods were originally authorised for shipment of the "Gaeta";
- 2) what orders were issued by the Cogena to fix the order, precedence and discipline of loading the goods;
- 3) how the cargo was stowed, especially the citrus, 167
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- 5) why, knowing the technical difficulties presented by mooring and discharging at Torre Annunziata the COGENA accepted perishable goods with an overloaded ship;
- 6) for what reasons the ship arrived at Naples the 21st. december in the afternoon, started discharging citrus at Torre Annunziata only the afternoon of 10th. Jan., that is 11 days after arrival;
- 7) why the Cogena did not fulfil usual obligations using the most suitable means to save the goods (such as for example anticipating discharge by means of motorschooners which were at their disposal in the port of Torre Ann. or changing the destination of the "Gaeta" after giving due advice to shippers);
- 8) with what right the Cogena after having agreed and collected a freight of Lire 2 per Kg., then when the goods were already shipped exacted an increase of Lire 1.75 per Kilo thus bringing the freight up to Lire 3.75 per kilo;

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9) how do the conciliate the above request with the statement published in the "Giornale di Sicilia" of 25 Jan. and how as said copy is attached.

We express the certainty that this claim will be taken into the consideration which it merits in view of the gravity of the facts and the amount of damage caused.

Palermo, 8/2/45

The letter of Cogena to the "Giornale di Sicilia" states among other matters that from 16th. December the average freight is a maximum of Lire 2 (two) per kilo.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

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31 January 1945

SUBJECT : Freight Charges - COGENA

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission. ✓

1. Reference is made to your letter AC/IO/2/TN6 dated 29 January 1945.
2. It will be remembered that at the request of your Sub-Commission the question of payment of freight in connection with civilian supplies was taken up by this office with AFHQ when new proposals were submitted in regard to methods of settlement.
3. To-date no reply has been received from AFHQ in connection with the suggestions made. It is therefore necessary to follow the established principles still in force whereby AC do not pay State or parastatal agencies for freight charges incurred for the transportation of civilian supplies.
4. It is further pointed out that the Chief Accountant is not in a position to check the statements of charges submitted by COGENA. Surely the responsibility for the checking of the accuracy of the charges raised is that of the Regional Section of the Sub-Commission originating the transaction and all such matters should be referred to it.
5. The letters from COGENA Ref. CO/293 and C/294, dated 16 January 1945 are returned herewith.

H. J. Frankel
for Chief Accountant
Joint Director
Finance Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 259
Ref. AC/10/2/Tn6

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JBH/lml
29 January 1945

SUBJECT : Freight Charges - CO.GE.NA.

TO : Finance Sub-Commission
Attention: Major Smith

1. Attached hereto CO.GE.NA. correspondence CO/293 EP/tg and CO/294 EB/tg. in which they request remittance for freight carried on S/S "Tunisino" and S/S "Onsel" between period of October 17, 1944 and December 31, 1944.

2. We will appreciate your checking these statements with a view of complying with their request.

CHARLES C. CROOKS, CHIEF
Port and Warehouse Division
Transportation Sub-Commission

Attachment:

As stated
in Para. 1.

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COMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI

"CO. GE. NA."

OGGETTO
Freight for S/S. "TUNISINO"Co/ 293
EB/tg.DATA
NAPOLI, 16th. January, 1945
PIAZZA CARITA, 32 - TELEF. 58-911

To The ALLIED COMMISSION
Sub-Transport Commission
HEADQUARTER

R O M A
Palazzo delle Corporazioni

S/S. "TUNISINO" has carried from Palermo to Civitavecchia between October 17th, 1944 and Nov. 22nd. 1944 - 1260 tons of tinned food-stuff on account A.C. the freight of which is of :

2700.0.0 pounds equal to.....£. 1.080.000,--

Expenses as follow were sustained :

a) loading and stowage at Palermo....."	84.111,70
b) unstowage and discharge at Civitavecchia...."	132.722,40

£. 1.296.834,10

We kindly ask you to pay us said total amount so that we might register it as requested by the Ministry of War Transport - Mediterranean Representative.

Waiting for your news in this respect, we beg to remain,

Respectfully, Yours.

E. Sarnella
Dr. E. SARNELLA
(Director)
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COMITATO ITALIANO GESTIONE NAVI
"CO. GE. NA."

Freight for S/S. "OUSEL"

co/294
KB/tg.

NAPOLI, 16th. January, 1945
PIAZZA CARITA, 22 - TELEF. 68-211

To the ALLIED COMMISSION
Sub-Transport Commission
HEADQUARTERS

ROMA

Palazzo delle Corporazioni

By S/S. "OUSEL" the following goods have been carried during December last on A.C. account :

a) from Palermo to Leghorn

800 Tons food-stuff at 4.305 liras per ton....£. 3.444.000,--
Red Cross account

102 Tons clothes on American Red Cross account

Tons clothes on American Red Cross
at 4.305 liras per ton....." 439.110,—

b) from Naples to Leghorn

from Naples to Leghorn
105 Tons clothes on American Red Cross account

Tons clothes on American ship....." 429.975,--
at 4.305 per ton.....

Total freight.....£. 4.313.085,--

which you will please remit us according to the instruction of
Ministry of War Transport.

Respectfully, Yours

Dr. E. Sarnella
(Director)

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TRANSLATION

g/s (72)

Ministry of Communications
General Direction
Of Merchant Marine

Rome 20th January 1945

Div : III - Sect : I
Ref : N° 106 -
Enclosure : N°1.

To : Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission
ROME

SUBJECT : Operation of merchant ships.

We send you a copy of a letter of the South Italy Shipowners' Association" (Associazione Armatori Meridionali) and with which the above mentioned Association complains about the planned organization of applying a rate per ton-miles for commodities despatched with ship sub-chartered by CO-GE-NA.

for the Minister
(sgd Matteini)

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Roma. 194 A

*Ministero delle Comunicazioni*DIREZIONE GENERALE
DELLA MARINA MERCANTILEALLA COMMISSIONE
ALLEATA - Sotto Commissione
per i trasporti ROMADivisione III Sez. I
Det. N.° 106 Allegato 1Proposta al F. del
Dir. Sez. N.°OGGETTO Utilizzazione del naviglio mercantile.

Pervenuta dall'Associazione Armatori Meridionali si trasmette, per competenza, copia della lettera, con la quale l'Associazione stessa muove lagnanze circa la progettata organizzazione per l'applicazione di una tariffa per tonnellate miglio, per le merci spedite con le navi nolegiate dal Cogna.

IL MINISTRO

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Dear General Matteini,

I am compelled to constate with a sincere regret that you paid no attention at all, to our motion; so less our motion has deserved any previous impartial debate.

The draft of an Agency Organisation which will be against our true national interest is hurting our dignity and is treading the most natural claims of our Association, so that we will be compelled to defend the aforesaid claims by all means.

The South Italy Shipping and I personally have given you repeatedly and recently the test of our wish to collaborate with you and therefore we do not deserve such a despising handling which we regret, of course, so deeply.

The South Italy Shipping cannot be excluded from the drafted organisation because of the actual and moral responsibility that refer to their own nature and also for the sake of control. Our Association must not be excluded if we really wish to put an end to the regrettable system, by which the owner gets a freight rate so different from the freight that the shipper actually pays for the carriage of his goods. And yet they cannot be excluded if we wish to prevent the followance of so many abuses committed by the Cogena, that are not punished and not indemnified. Among the most heavy of these abuses we point at the deduction of 15% from the freight amount for war risks insurance, which actually has been never made, as well as that of compelling us to pay a sum up to 2000 lire per ton in order to grant the authorization to ship deckloads on the already freighted schooners.

I hope that you will again consider the question

Your obedient

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