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CG NORMS (MESSAGE NUMBER 76)

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NORMS ACCEPTS ASSIGNMENT OF LT MACDONALD BUT REQUEST CABLED ORDERS
ASSIGNING HIM TO THIS HQ. AGREE TO SUPPLY TRUCK TRANSPORTATION BUT HAVE NO
PERSONAL TRANSPORTATION FOR MACDONALD. ALSO AGREE TO RESPONSIBILITY FOR
SUPERVISION OF ITALIAN FORESTRY UNIT. ADVISE EARLIEST DATE THIS UNIT WILL
ARRIVE BONIFACIO. FORESTRY UNIT AND PERSONAL TRANSPORT NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH
MISSION.

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TRANSLATION

Subject: Order for cancellation of contracts of utilization communal forests for fire wood and charcoal issued by the R. Pr. of Matera for use of Allied M. G.

The inspectors office of Wood Services - in note 53 of 1 Dec addressed to Gen Staff, Royal Army and for reference to this Ministry - has communicated the following order issued by the Prefettura of Matera to the 18 Communes of that Province in which the communal forests are now being utilized for the production of fuel destined for the Italian Armed Forces and for the provinces deficient in fuel: Bari, Brindisi, Lecce and Taranto.

AMG has ordered rescission of contracts now in course of execution with contractors for the cutting of communal woods of this province. Wood or charcoal on the ground is frozen (blocked). Ascertain immediately situation, communicating to Prefettura state of facts. Further information follows.

The forests in question had been requisitioned by the Nat'l Ministry of Forests, by virtue of legislation in force (summarized in law of 22 April, 43, No. 395) and their use (as prescribed by art. 3 of that law) was in part under management of the Nat'l Ministry of Forests and in part entrusted to firms which took on themselves all responsibility for working and transportation under the obligation of selling the product exclusively to the firms dictated by the Military itself (according to art. 4 of the Law).

The consequences of the order transcribed above are as follows: cessation of production now in hand and interruption of deliveries (already under great handicap on account of difficulties of transportation) of stocks destined to the consumer provinces. 2: the dispersal of equipment of the operating firms which will also suffer serious financial loss because of advance pay drawn for workers; administrative complications and difficulties of recovery of sums advanced by the state in regard to work of administration; aggravation of the problem of fuel supply to the needy provinces just when winter is becoming severe.

For the reasons given above your commission is earnestly implored to use its good offices with the proper Anglo-American authorities to induce them to withdraw the order since as indicated, it will have lawful results for the Province of Matera, for the provinces importing the wood, for the private contractors and for the State and could offer only a very doubtful benefit to the Communes owning the woods.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 324

Ref/AMG/315.

AMG/AMG/AMG
26 January 1944

SUBJECT: Forests in Eastern Province

TO : Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

1. Attention is invited to letter of your office dated 22 December 1943, and signed by the Secretary at Sauri.
2. The matters referred to in the letter regarding the action taken in Eastern Province are being given consideration by this Headquarters.
3. You will receive a communication from Major F. B. Miller, Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Subcommission, this Headquarters when my decision have been reached.

CHARLES M. HOFFMAN
Colonel, G.S.C.
W. O. of C. (G. S. C.)

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS

Rome, 22 December 1943

TO THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

BRITISH

SUBJECT: Latona Province - Cancellation Order for exploitation contracts of Municipal forests for firewood and charcoal, issued by the R. Prefettura of Latona under orders of the Allied Military Government.

The Inspectorate of Timber Services, by note 53 of the 1st inst. addressed to the Royal Chief of Staff, Office for Civil Affairs, and for advice to this Ministry, has made known the following order issued by the Royal Prefettura of Latona to the 10 Municipalities of this Province, in which communal woods are now being exploited for the production of charcoal intended for the Italian Armed Forces and the civilian populations of the Provinces of Bari, Foggia, Lecce and Taranto, which are short thereof.

"By order of the Allied Military Government contracts now being carried out are cancelled, contracts which had arranged with contractors for the cutting of communal timber in this Province. (Worked) Wood and coal on the ground remain frozen (order). Make immediate investigation advising Prefettura of state of affairs - further orders will follow."

The timber in question had been requisitioned by the National Ministry for Forests under terms of law, as re-stated in the law of 22 April 1943 under 305 and their use, as prescribed by art. 3 of this law - in part this exploitation was carried out by the Ministry for Forests and the remainder was in the hands of firms which assumed for their own account and risk, production and transportation of the product, under obligation to sell this product exclusively to the agencies prescribed by the Ministry as per art. 1 of the law.

The consequences of the order cited above, are: stoppage of production and interruption of deliveries (already strongly hindered by transportation difficulties) of allotments to the consumer provinces; scattering of equipment of the contractors who will also suffer serious financial losses due to the difficulty of collecting advances paid to labour, and the difficulty for the State to recover sums advanced for this work; and a worsening of the vegetable coal supply in the deficitary provinces with the approach of the severest winter months.

In view of the above, the Commission is earnestly requested to use all its good offices with the proper Anglo-American authorities, so as to bring about a cancellation of this order, which, as above mentioned, while being harmful to Latona Province, the importing provinces, private contractors and the State, could result only in a very doubtful benefit for the Municipalities owning the woods.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 394

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19 January 1944

SUBJECT: Agriculture Sub-Commission personnel in Palermo, Region I.

TO : Economic Directorate. Att: Major Thompson.

1. Lt. Pinelli carried, on his last trip, a letter outlining a mission for Major C.H. Hammar and his transfer of station to Naples, approved by AG, etc. Orders were to be issued there for movement by motor. We need to know that he has left, when he left, when his arrival here may be expected. If his departure has been delayed, action should be taken to ensure his early arrival here, after completion of the mission, or direct.

2. Prior to leaving, he had planned to write a report on a trip in Region I, in regard to crop estimates and requirements, etc. We are particularly anxious to get a copy of that report to use in determining overall crop estimates, and in time so that Major Watts can make any supplementary investigations needed to complete the Region I part of the current estimates.

3. Additional points required to complete current estimates may be available before Major Van Dusen leaves, points that Major Watts might well consider in the light of the report mentioned, and act accordingly, in which event Major Van Dusen could advise us of the action under way.

4. Would like to have Major Van Dusen see Major Watts and bring back copy of Major Hammar's report, and to make sure that Major Hammar's arrival here is expedited, in view of recent developments. May have additional material to send Major Watts for his guidance.

M.A.M. Dickie

M.A.M. DICKIE
Major
Deputy Director

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MINISTERO DELL'AGRICOLTURA E DELLE FORESTE

Divisione VI N. di prov. 1058

Risposta a nota

Allegati

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI

CONTROLLO

B R I N D I S I

OGGETTO: Provincia di Matera - Ordine di rescissione dei contratti di utilizzazione dei boschi comunali per la produzione di legna da ardere e carbone vegetale emanato dalla R. Prefettura di Matera per disposizioni del Governo Militare Alleato.

L'Ispettorato Servizio Legnami con foglio 53 del 1° c.m. diretto allo Stato Maggiore R.E. Ufficio Affari Civili e per conoscenza a questo Ministero ha comunicato la seguente disposizione emanata dalla R. Prefettura di Matera ai 18 Comuni di quella Provincia nei quali sono in corso utilizzazioni di boschi comunali per la produzione dei combustibili vegetali da destinarsi alle FF.AA. italiane e alle popolazioni civili delle Province deficitarie di Bari, Brindisi, Lecce e Taranto:

Per disposizioni Governo Militare Alleato sono rescissi contratti in corso esecuzione stipulati con appaltatori per tagli boschi comunali questa Provincia - tanto-legna aut carbone giacenti sul luogo rimangono vincolati-punto-Eseguiti subito accertamento comunicando Prefettura stato di fatto-Seguono ulteriori norme legislative vigenti che si riassume nella legge 22 aprile 1943 Nr. 395 e la utilizzazione di essi - a norma di quanto è disposto dall'art. 3 di essa legge - in parte venne assunto in economia della M.N.Fo. ed in parte affidata ad imprese che ne assunsero a proprio esclusivo conto e rischio la lavorazione ed il trasporto del prodotto, con l'obbligo di vendere il prodotto stesso esclusivamente agli Enti indicati dalla Milizia stessa così come prescrive l'art. 4 della legge. Le conseguenze della disposizione sopra trascritta sono: l'arresto della produzione in atto e la interruzione degli invii (già ora fortemente ostacolati per le difficoltà dei trasporti) dei contingenti alle Province di consumo; il dispendio dell'attrezzatura delle ditte operanti che riceveranno anche un grave danno finanziario per le difficoltà di recupero delle anticipazioni fatte alla massa no d'opera; complicazioni amministrative e difficoltà di recupero delle somme anticipate dallo Stato per quanto riguarda le lavorazioni in economia; l'aggravarsi, mentre ci sinoltre nei mesi più rigidi dell'anno, del problema di approvvigionamento in combustibili vegetali delle Province deficitarie.

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Per quanto sopra si prega vivamente codesta Commissione di voler interporre tutti i suoi buoni uffici presso le competenti autorità anglo-americane per indurle a recedere dal provvedimento assunto che, per quanto detto, mentre si risolve in danno per la stessa Provincia di Matera, per le Province importatrici, per i privati imprenditori e per lo Stato, non potrebbe arrecare che un molto incerto vantaggio dei soli comuni proprietari dei boschi.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO

Brindisi

TRANSLATION

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS

Bari, 22 December 1943

TO THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

BRINDISI

SUBJECT: Matera Province - Cancellation Order for exploitation contracts of Municipal forests for fire wood and charcoal, issued by the R. Prefettura of Matera under orders of the Allied Military Government.

The Inspectorate of Lumber Services, by note 53 of the 1st inst. addressed to the Royal Chief of Staff, Office for Civil Affairs, and for advice to this Ministry, has made known the following order issued by the Royal Prefettura of Matera to the 18 Municipalities of this Province, in which communal woods are now being exploited for the production of charcoal intended for the Italian Armed Forces and the civilian populations of the Provinces of Bari, Brindisi, Lecce and Taranto, which are short thereof.

"By order of the Allied Military Government contracts now being carried out are cancelled, contracts which had arranged with contractors for the cutting of communal lumber in this Province. (Period) Wood and coal on the ground remain frozen (Period). Make immediate investigation advising Prefettura of state of affairs- Further orders will follow."

The lumber in question had been requisitioned by the National Ministry for Forests under terms of law, as re-stated in the law of 22 April 1943 Number 395 and their use, as prescribed by art. 3 of this law- in part this exploitation was carried out by the Ministry for Forests and the remainder was in the hands of firms which assumed for their own account and risk, production and transportation of the product, under obligation to sell this product exclusively to the agencies prescribed by the Militia as per art. 4 of the law.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Agriculture Sub-Commission
APO 512

18 November 1943 .

SUBJECT: Local Resources Board Meeting.

TO : Deputy Chief of Staff (Operations and Security Intelligence).

1. This is in reply to your memo of today's date enclosing cablegram requesting Major Clayton's attendance at Local Resources Board and Price Control Meeting, Naples.

2. Major Hartman, Director of this Sub-Commission will be attending this meeting. There is, however, no objection to Major Clayton's attendance to give an account of his experiences in Region I.

3. Cablegram returned herewith.

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M. A. Mure Dickie
M.A. MURE DICKIE,
Major,
Acting Deputy Director,
Agriculture Sub-Comm.

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TO: Distribution "A" and One to Each Region including 1, 2 & 3.

FROM: Agric. A. C.

SUBJECT: Surplus food production in North Africa; estimated fertilizer, seed and other production input requirements for Sardinia, Sicily, Calabria, Lucania, Apulia and Campania. *

REFERENCE: AG/1075.

DATE: 11 October 1943.

Information regarding surplus production and production input requirements contained herein represent suggestions based on best available data and should prove of value to all regions including 1, 2, and 3 and also to S4, AMG, Algiers. Estimates are considered to be ultra conservative in the light of attaining the following or similar objectives:

1. To salvage the maximum amount of food crops recently harvested or which will be harvested within the next several months.
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3. To reduce to the minimum tonnages of food-stuffs which might otherwise have to be shipped into areas occupied by Allied Forces.

I. SURPLUS FOOD IN NORTH AFRICA.

Surplus foodstuffs in North Africa from this years harvest and anticipated surpluses in 1944 based on provision of necessary production input requirements already requisitioned and/or on hand are tabulated in Table I. The tonnages listed as surplus are, or will be, in excess of the needs of civilians and of the French Army.

Assuming surpluses have been accurately estimated, it is vital that they be requisitioned long enough in advance to assure delivery of desired quantities at specific times and places. Information indicates that neither French nor NAEB authorities have succeeded to date in establishing a co-ordinated production, harvest and marketing program.

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- Based largely on conferences between Acting Director Agric. A.C. and NAEB officials particularly Messrs. Wilmer Sundelson, Norman Stanley, E.H. Wingate and Lou Blatchley. Statistics contained herein with minor exceptions were prepared on request by NAEB.

TABLE 1.
SURPLUS FOOD COMMODITIES - NORTH AFRICA.

COMMODITY	AVAILABLE 1943 (In Metric Tons)	FROM 1944 HARVEST (In Metric Tons)	SOURCE OF SUPPLY. (In Metric Tons).
Wheat	30,000	125,000	40,000 Morocco 25,000 Tunis 60,000 Algeria
Barley	--	50,000	Morocco
Dried Legumes	30,000 - 40,000	70,000	60,000 Morocco 10,000 Algeria
Potatoes	--	100,000	Morocco Algeria
Vegetables	--	75,000	40,000 Morocco 35,000 Algeria
Citrus Fruits	--	80,000	Morocco Algeria Tunis
Seeds, Dried Legumes	5,000	7,000	Morocco
Seeds, Vegetable Table Beets Carrots Cauliflower Lettuce Radish Tomatoes Spinach Salsify	--	(10) (40) (2) (20) (20) (3) (50) (1)	Morocco
TOTAL		146	

(1) Dried legumes include peas, chick peas, broad beans and lentils. Separate tonnages are not listed because a great expansion in acreage can be initiated this coming year and because of price considerations, and weather conditions farmers may change or expand their acreage from for example, broad beans to chick peas.

(2) Potatoes - It is understood that this 100,000 tons would be under government control with first priority of 26,000 tons for the Allied Armies and the balance to be stockpiled, or if need be distributed in part for domestic use.

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(2)			
Potatoes	--	100,000	Morocco Algeria
(3)			
Vegetables	--	75,000	40,000 Morocco 35,000 Algeria
(4)			
Citrus Fruits	--	80,000	Morocco Algeria Tunis
(5)			
Seeds, Dried Legumes	5,000	7,000	Morocco
Seeds, Vegetable	--		Morocco
Table Beets		(10)	
Carrots		(40)	
Cauliflower		(2)	
Lettuce		(20)	
Radish		(20)	
Tomatoes		(3)	
Spinach		(50)	
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- (3) Vegetables - It is realized fresh vegetables are a perishable commodity and that this is seemingly a large tonnage. However, (a) the Allied Forces should consume large quantities, (b) many of the fresh vegetables such as carrots, onions, turnips, tomatoes (picked green) beets, etc. have keeping qualities of 4 weeks or more, (c) the processing, brining, and dehydration programme being initiated and organized will take large quantities.
- (4) Citrus fruits - The quantity suggested as surplus is based on 1939-42 average net exports. The figures are obtained from report of Mr. Thibodeaux's "Net Supplies of Major Food Commodities-North Africa".
- (5) Dried legume seeds - It should be noted that dried legume seeds and cereal seeds as well, are the same as the edible product and are simply selected strains of higher germination.

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II ESSENTIAL AGRICULTURAL INPUT REQUIREMENTS.

I. Summary.

Agricultural and forestry production and distribution of essential foodstuffs in Italy and other Mediterranean areas are not normally capable of being maintained without the importation of essential supplies. Those areas are notoriously deficient in metals and metal working facilities and are equally incapable of producing the major part of the other requirements.

This statement of essential requirements indicates some of the items which need to be shipped in. The program is designed to measure the initial and urgent requirements of Sardinia, Sicily and Southern Italy comprising the provinces of Calabria, Lucania, Apulia, and Campania.

A few of the most important input requirements to obtain maximum food are discussed and/or itemized. Furthermore, in the case of fertilizers and seeds an attempt has been made to rely on requirements which can be provided from local or nearby sources in order that the totality of overseas requirements may be reduced.

No attempt has been made to point out supply sources which may be available when the liberation extends substantially beyond the areas for which this proposed program applies.

The production, storage, processing, packing and distribution of foodstuffs cannot be maintained if only those input requirements designed exclusively for direct agricultural use are considered. Transportation is essential at all stages of food supply and it is certain that no production program will achieve its purpose without the provision of adequate transportation. Furthermore the new supply of hand tools herein suggested represents only a fraction of the amount which must be utilized by agricultural workers. For the remainder of the tools and for implements, vehicles, machines and food processing apparatus and food storage facilities which must be available and maintained, it is assumed that repair facilities exist. In North Africa it has not been possible to maintain the needed metal or woodworking repair facilities without the provision of essentials parts.

In addition to these general civilian facilities for transportation and for maintenance work, it is essential to provide for the following types of supplies which are not itemized in this memorandum because an intelligent estimate of requirements is impossible in the absence of more detailed knowledge of actual needs.

- Agricultural machinery and parts.
- Animal feed-stuffs and veterinary supplies.
- Animal drawn implements, vehicles and parts.
- Fuel and lubricants.
- Machinery and parts for food processing apparatus.
- Motors, engines and parts.

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The general character of the economy of Sardinia, Sicily and Southern Italy suggests that the machinery and parts for the maintenance of food processing industries are of the greatest importance. The operation of food processing facilities such as flour mills, olive oil presses, wineries and food preservation, freezing and storage plants will be interrupted unless parts and supplies specifically designed for their use are provided. Perforated sheets, metal cloth, transmission steel bars and steel grinding rolls are among the metal requirements of flour mills. In addition cloth and leather made into special parts are needed in the same plants.

Wineries require copper tubing and sheets while olive oil presses require high pressure tubing. In other words, availability of essential quantities of basic foodstuffs to residents in urban areas is not assured by the mere production of foodstuffs on farms.

2. Chemical Fertilizers.

Although the use of chemical fertilizers has not been as prevalent in the districts under consideration as in the more highly developed agricultural regions of Northern Italy, such as the Po Valley and the Lombardy Plain, nevertheless the use of such fertilizers is essential to obtain pre-war production of cereals, grains and vegetables. As a result of fertilizer rationing, farmers have received amounts far below their pre-war consumption. Phosphate supplies from North Africa have been cut off for some time, and now the usual heavy imports of nitrogenous fertilizers from Germany are no longer available.

(a) Phosphates were in particularly heavy demand in Sicily and Apulia, while nitrogen fertilizers were widely employed in the Campania.

Some indication of the probable increase in yield per hectare with the application of given amounts of ammonium nitrate is indicated below:

Crop	Usual Amount of Ammonium Nitrate Applied per Hectare (in quintals)	Yield Increase per Hectare by application
Winter potatoes	2.5	about 35%
Summer potatoes	1.5	" 20%
Carrots & Turnips	2.0	" 4%
Cereals (soft & hard)	1.0	12% to 20%

The annual minimum nitrogenous fertilizer requirements compared with 1938 consumption for each of the areas in question are indicated on Table 2.

Ammonia sulphate or ammonia nitrate will be used mostly for potatoes and other vegetables and also for citrus fruits. Most of the soil in which potatoes are grown is light friable soil dependent very largely upon fertilizer to produce a crop. In Campania alone more than 155,000 acres of potatoes were grown in 1938 - 1940 in addition to heavy vegetable crops.

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(e) Phosphates were in particularly heavy demand in Sicily and Apulia, while nitrogen fertilizers were widely employed in the Campania.

Some indication of the probable increase in yield per hectare with the application of given amounts of ammonium nitrate is indicated below:

Crop	Usual Amount of Ammonium Nitrate Applied per Hectare (in quintals)	Yield Increase per Hectare by application
Winter potatoes	2.5	about 35%
Summer potatoes	1.5	" 20%
Carrots & Turnips	2.0	" 4%
Cereals (soft & hard)	1.0	12% to 20%

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Our limited information indicates that super-phosphate plants are located at or near Palermo, Catania, Campofrancia, Licata and Milazzo; also in Calabria and Catanzaro. Italian Government Provincial Inspectors might be in a position to advise our GAO's of the condition of plants, capacity, materials and supplies needed to put plants in operation, etc.

Table 2.

ANNUAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
NITROGENOUS FERTILIZERS

(1938 Consumption in Brackets)

	IN METRIC TONS			
	Ammonium Sulphate	Ammonium Nitrate	Calcium Nitrate	Sodium Nitrate (See Super-phosphates Table 3)
SICILY	9,900 (20,684)	2,000 (3,370)		3,500 (4,862)
SARDINIA	175 (1,177)	None		None
CALABRIA	375 (2,330)	None		None
LUCANIA	130 (617)	None		None
APULIA	5,750 (13,895)	550 (1,597)		1,100 (1,802)
CALPANIA	21,700 (30,145)	450 (833)		1,400 (2,450)
TOTAL	38,000	3,000	4,950	6,000
1938 Consumption	(78,828)	(5,800)	(15,357)	(9,114)

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Table 3

Estimated Annual Requirements

SUPER-PHOSPHATES.

(1938 Consumption in Brackets.)

<u>SICILY:</u>	130,000 M.T. (132,280)	72,000 of Phosphate Rock from Tunisia	
		24,170 of Sulphur from Sicily.	
		578 of Sodium Nitrate from U.S.A. or elsewhere.	
<u>SARDINIA:</u>	20,000 M.T. (28,720)	11,100 of Phosphate from Tunisia.	
		3,700 of Sulphur from Sicily.	
		89 of Sodium Nitrate from U.S.A. or elsewhere.	
<u>CALABRIA:</u>	20,000 M.T. (23,424)	11,000 idem as above	
		3,700 " " "	
		89 " " "	
<u>LUCANIA:</u>	12,000 M.T. (20,690)	6,666 idem as above.	
		2,222 " " "	
		53 " " "	
<u>APULIA:</u>	62,000 M.T. (66,062)	34,440 idem as above	
		11,480 " " "	
		375 " " "	
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	200 " " "	
Recapitulation :	Total: 289,000 M.T. Super-phosphate.	
	of which	
	160,206 M.T. Phosphate Rock from Tunisia	
	53,805 M.T. Sulphur from Sicily.	
	1,384 M.T. Sodium Nitrate from U.S.A. or elsewhere.	
	or equivalent Nitric Acid.	

(b) Phosphate Situation at Various Points in North Africa.

(i) Sfax, immediately available stocks are 31,000 tons 66-68%; 49,000 tons 58-63%; remainder unavailable owing to war damage.

(ii) Immediate loading rate is 200 tons per hour into steamers not exceeding 17 feet draught.

(iii) Ministry of War Transport states that availability of steamers of the required draught is very remote except for those which may be returning from the Middle East. Neutral coasters are barred for operational reasons.

(iv) Speed of loading could be brought to 700 tons per hour, and draught of vessels to 21 feet by repairs to quayside and removal of obstructing wreckage; the channel requires three to six weeks' work. Heavy lifting apparatus and perhaps a trained crew of workers will also be necessary for installation work.

(v) Stocks at mine are 144,000 tons of 66-68%, 398,000 tons of 63-66% and 273,000 tons of 58-63%.

(vi) Actual rail transport is bottlenecked by requisition of fifteen existing locomotives by British Forces. When locomotives are released, haulage capacity of rolling stock will be 15,000 tons a month. If Tunisian state railways return 1,000 cars lent them by the mine company, haulage will be brought to 50,000 tons per month. If locomotives now requiring repairs or reconditioning could be made available, haulage capacity could be brought up to 100,000 tons per month.

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Crop	Date shipment should arrive	Date Planting begins	Date planting ends in certain Provinces
Wheat	Aug. 20	Sept. 20	Dec. 30
Barley	Aug. 1	Sept. 1	Dec. 31
Rye	Aug. 13	Sept. 13	Nov. 30
Oats	Aug. 30	Sept. 30	Dec. 31
Rice	Aug. 13	Sept. 10	Nov. 30
Corn (Maize)	Feb. 15	Mar. 15	May. 31
Rice	Mar. 1	Apr. 1	Apr. 30
Beans - Horse	Aug. 30	Sept. 30	Dec. 20
Beans - Kidney	Jan. 1	Feb. 1	Jun. 15

The areas for which the above dates are applicable are: Sardinia, Sicily, Calabria, Lucania, Campania and Puglia. Seeds for the 1944 harvest must therefore be moved immediately to take advantage of the latest planting dates if the beginning planting dates are already past. Latest planting dates will be suitable only under the most favorable climatic conditions. (Section 7 Agriculture, C.A. Handbook for Italy contains planting dates by Provinces).

As a general rule fertilizer is distributed at the time a crop is planted and therefore should be shipped immediately. If the crop has already been planted fertilizer can be used as a top dressing for cereals over a period of two or three months after the crop has been planted.

4. Vegetable Seed Requirements.

Lack of adequate and reliable information as to normal importations of seeds into the areas under consideration, present stocks on hand, conditions of land, agricultural supplies and machinery make it impossible to make more than rough estimates of seed requirements for all areas as a whole.

The estimated quantities of seed listed in Table 4 would serve mainly as a stimulus to production, supplementing domestic supplies, and building up virility, purity and productivity of seed stocks.

Consideration has also been given to the sources of seed supplies in the allied countries.

The following data gleaned from production and acreage figures quoted in the Annuario Statistico Italiano, are the basis of total acreage and production figures used.

(a) Potatoes.

In 1936, 279,000 acres were planted in these territories, approximately 225,000 tons of seed would be needed to plant this area. Only 20,000 tons have been recommended to supplement domestic supplies. Even this small shipment will be subject to spoilage unless internal transportation facilities and organization exist to insure that the seed supplies are efficiently distributed to potato producers.

(b) Peas.

Normal pre-war acreage of this crop was approximately 45,000 acres. Seed supplies are available in North Africa and they are not perishable. Therefore, if there are not sufficient domestic supplies on hand this tonnage could be increased greatly and possibly make up to some extent a reduced potato acreage.

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(a) Potatoes.

In 1936, 270,000 acres were planted in these territories. Approximately 225,000 tons of seed would be needed to plant this area. Only 20,000 tons have been recommended to supplement domestic supplies. Even this small shipment will be subject to spoilage unless internal transportation facilities and organization exist to insure that the seed supplies are efficiently distributed to potato producers.

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(c) Beans.

There are no reliable data as to kinds and acreages grown in Italy therefore the recommended shipment should include many types unless more adequate information becomes available so that requirements can be more clearly indicated.

In commodities which produce seed annually i.e. melons, cucumbers, tomatoes, citrus fruits, etc. no particular shortage is anticipated.

Table No. 4

Vegetable Seed Requirements

Kind.	Varieties.	Quantities (Metric tons)	It will plant estimated acreage, (acres)	Approximate Delivery Date	Suggested Source of Supply.
Potatoes.	Royal Kidney	5,000		Oct. 1-Nov. 15	
	Early Rose	5,000	25-26,000	Dec.	U.K.
	Red Sausage	10,000		Jan-Feb	
	Up to date				
Peas	Suitable				
	Both Smooth				
	Two wrinkled varieties available for Med. area.	400	10,000	Immediate	N. Africa
Lentils	North Africa variety.	60	3,000	"	"
Chick peas	"	300	7,500	"	"
Broad Beans	"	1,000	40,000	"	"
Beans- green	Whole Bean				
	Wax Green				
	Podded	50	1,100	"	U.S.
	Kentucky Wonder King of Wax etc.				
Beans- Dry	Bush Beans				
	Wax & Yellow	5	110	"	U.S.
	Podded				
Beans- Dry	Varieties adaptable to Mediterr- anean.	400	9,000	"	U.S. & Canada.
	Charleston Wakefield				

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Lentils					
Chick peas	"	300	7,500	"	"
Broad Beans	"	1,000	40,000	"	"
Beans- Green	Whole Bean Wax Green Podded Kentucky Wonder King of Wax etc	50	1,100	"	U.S.
	Bush Beans Wax & Yellow Podded	5	110	"	U.S.
Beans- Dry	Varieties adaptable to Mediterr- anean.	400	9,000	"	U.S. & Canada.
Cabbage	Charleston Wakefield Early Jersey Wakefield	10	18,000	"	U.S. or U.K.
Cauliflower	Early Snowball Danish Giant (for later delivery)	2	4,500	"	U.S. 4894

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Vegetables Seed Requirements.

Kind.	Varieties.	Quantities (Metric Tons)	It will plant estimated acreage. (acres)	Approx. Delivery Date.	Suggested Source of Supply.
Onions and Garlic.	Flat white Italian. Red	20	2,200	Immediate	N. Africa & U.S.
	Bermuda. Red Madeira. Yellow Wentus. Adaptable varieties.				
Melons & Water Melons.	Adaptable varieties.	3 - 5	250-400		
	Adaptable varieties.	3	1,500	"	U.S.
Tomatoes.	Marglobe & other adapt- able varieties. Muscade	2	3,500	"	"
Carrots	Early Charteroy. Other adapt. var.	10	4,000	Nov. on.	N. Africa & U.S.
Brussel Sprouts.	English varieties.	0.2	500	Immediate	U.K.
Turnips.	Purple Top White egg Amber globe Crosby	10	4,500	Oct. on.	U.S.
Beets	Egyptian Etc.	5	1,200	Dec. on.	"
Radish	White tip Sparkler Scarlet Globe.	5	2,000	Immediate	"
Spinach	Adaptable varieties.	6	1,000	"	N. Africa & U.S.
Lettuce.	Curly Leaf varieties suitable Med. Countries.	3	3,000	Dec.	"
Cucumbers Leeks Celery Others Broccoli Swiss Chard	varieties adaptable to Med. countries	5	5,000	Immediate	U.S.

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5. Agricultural Hand Tools and Harness Supplies.

Labor will undoubtedly be the cheapest factor of production in the area under consideration. Land suitable for growing crops will be a scarce factor along with farm machinery. An available supply of hand tools will provide some assurance that all available land will be planted. The following list includes only those most essential hand tools in quantities which merely represent a safety factor rather than even conservative estimates of need based on number of farms and acreage of suitable land. Furthermore the specific tool specifications indicated represent an estimate of the tools in more or less general use in Southern Italy. One type of shovel, pitch fork and rake which is expected to serve several farming purposes represent examples of standardization.

Oxen, burro, mule and horse power needed for plowing, cultivating and harvesting will not be fully utilized unless harness supplies are available. The list shown in Table 5 on the following page includes estimated minimum requirements not to meet a conservative estimate of total needs but rather to provide a minimum quantity of the type of materials which are needed and most likely available in U.S. and in U.K.

6. Fuel and Lubricant Input Requirements.

No information is available as to the number of motor-driven transport vehicles (motor cars, trucks, lorries) used for agricultural purposes only. However, there were 19,237 agricultural tractors listed with the Italian public automobile registry on 31. Dec. 1938. Since there are no available figures as to the rate of fuel and lubricant consumption the following British figures are used as a basis for estimates.

- (a) Hours of work per tractor, per annum ----- 700 hours.
- (b) Fuel consumption (tractor vaporizing oil), per hr ----- 2 gal.
- (c) Gasoline (petrol) for starting, per month, ----- 12 gal.
- (d) Lubricating oil, per annum, ----- 30 gal.

As a further basis of estimates the following assumptions are made:

- (a) Number of tractors in occupied areas ----- 5,000.
- (b) Working hours, fuel and lubricant requirements same as for Britain.
- (c) Fueled with 60 octane, fuel oil, Diesel 702, and kerosene (Ref. C.R. 13, Section XVII, Table III).
- (d) Lubricants of the Hypoid 90 and engine oil types.

On the basis of the above assumptions 5,000 tractors would have the following per annum input requirements:

Fuel	7,000,000 gallons (imperial)
Gasoline (petrol)	720,000 "
Lubricant	150,000 "

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- (d) Lubricants of the Hypoid 90 and engine oil types.

On the basis of the above assumptions 5,000 tractors would have the following per annum input requirements:

Fuel	7,000,000 gallons (imperial)
Gasoline (petrol)	720,000 "
Lubricant	150,000 "
Greases	40,000 pounds.

Where it is necessary to subdivide requirements into any period of 180 days it must be borne in mind that generally speaking, the preplanting and planting season is from Sept. 15 to March 15. Harvest time is from March 1 to August 31. Miscellaneous demands are distributed throughout the year.

Table 5

Agricultural Hand Tools and Harness Requirements
(Specifications listed are from Lend-Lease catalogue.)

Item and Specification.	Quantity.	Tonnage with- out handles.
<u>MATTOCKS.</u> - High socket, round eye, short cutter (Bernabe p. 276 fig. 2022)	24,000	60
5½ lb size.		
<u>HOPS.</u> - Socket at top - (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1923)		
8 ¾" long 7" top width 6" bottom width	100,000	205
<u>SCYTHES.</u> - (Bernabe p. 272 fig. 1967)		
Blade 30" long.	18,000	20
<u>SPADING FORKS</u> - 4 triangular tines. (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1931)		
Tines 12" long.	11,000	10
<u>SICKLES.</u> - Small teeth or plain (Bernabe p. 273 fig. 1981)	150,000	34
Blades 20" long.		
<u>SHEEP CLIPPERS</u> - (Bernabe p. 316 fig. 2296)		
Standard	4,000	2
<u>PICK AXES</u> - round hole, high collar. (Bernabe p. 40 fig. 88)		
23" long 7½ lbs.	50,000	190
<u>SWAN NECK SHOVELS</u> - (Bernabe p. 39 fig. 81)		
12½" long X 12½" wide - 3 lbs.	120,000	180
<u>STRAIGHT LINE CHAINS</u> (for harness & hauling) ELECTRIC WELDED. Polished not galvanized (Bernabe p. 50 fig. 214)		(in feet)

Item and Specification.	Quantity.	Tonnage with cut handles.
MATTOCKS. - High socket, round eye, short cutter (Bernabe p. 276 fig. 2022)	24,000	60
5 1/2 lb size.		
HOPS. - Socket at top - (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1923)		
8 3/4" long 7" top width 6" bottom width	100,000	205
SCYTHES. - (Bernabe p. 272 fig. 1967)		
Blade 30" long.	18,000	20
SPADING FORKS - 4 triangular tines. (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1931)		
Tines 12" long.	11,000	10
SICKLES. - Small teeth or plain (Bernabe p. 273 fig. 1981)	150,000	34
Blades 20" long.		
SHEEP CLIPPERS - (Bernabe p. 316 fig. 2296)		
Standard	4,000	2
PICK AXES - round hole, high collar. (Bernabe p. 40 fig. 88)		
23" long 7 3/4 lbs.	50,000	190
SWAN NECK SHOVELS - (Bernabe p. 39 fig. 81)		
12 1/2" long X 12 1/2" wide - 3 lbs.	120,000	180
STRAIGHT LINE CHAINS (for harness & hauling) ELECTRIC WELDED.	(17 feet)	
Polished not galvanised Bernabe p. 52 fig. 214		
11 HOG link wire chain	250,000	
3 " " " "	140,000	
000 " " " "	35,000	

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Table 5 (Cont'd)

Agricultural Hand Tool and Harness Requirements		
<u>CUTTING SPADE - Open socket</u> (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1934)	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Tonnage with- out handles</u>
11½ long x 8" top width x 7" bottom width.	5,000	7
<u>SPADING FORK - Round hole</u> (Bernabe p. 269 fig. 1922)		
3 teeth 13½" long	35,000	56
<u>PITCH & MANURE FORKS - four tines</u> (Bernabe p. 271 fig. 1951)		
Tine 12½" long	40,000	35
<u>RAKES - Straight head, curved teeth -</u> (Bernabe p. 271 fig. 1960 & 1963)		
14 teeth	15,000	9
<u>GRUB HOE - with two prongs</u> (Bernabe p. 270 fig. 1940)		
15½" long	15,000	8.
<u>HARNESS SETS</u>		
Webbing - average weight - 40 lbs. Preponderantly for medium & small animals 10% suitable for oxen	20,000	400
<u>HORSE COLLAR LINING</u>		
Quality : Army duck. Width : 46" in the gray Construction : 48 x 36 Weight per yd. 13.20 ounces. To be delivered in the gray		3
<u>RETINS TAPE</u>		
Heather substitute - Width : 1" To be delivered in the gray (Specifications furnished by Hope Webbing Co. Providence R.I.)		1
<u>NEEDLES (To be ordered from U.K.)</u>		
For horse collar repair curved needle Length : 8"	10,000	1

Tine 12 1/2" long

35

RAKES - Straight head, curved teeth -
(Bernabe p. 271 fig. 1960 & 1963)

14 teeth

15,000

9

GRUB HOE - with two prongs
(Bernabe p. 270 fig. 1940)

15 1/4" long

15,000

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HARNESS SETS

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10% suitable for oxen

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Length : 8"

10,000

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It is assumed that wooden handles will be provided from local wood or in any event that handles should be imported only as lumber to be processed locally to economize on shipping space.

7. Forestry Tools.

The limited tonnage which has been allocated to forestry tools represents an effort to provide a representative number of tree felling, milling and pruning implements. Requirements are shown in Table 6.

The steel walges, axes and two-man saws are programmed in quantities which are likely to be needed for forestry work alone although the implements are also of great importance for general farm work.

The saw frames with blades, band saw rolls and hand saws are related to the volume of lumber which is expected to be prepared for use. This volume is smaller than that previously obtained from the area. For the selection of band saw sizes, those most commonly used in small scale saw mills and woodworking establishments in North Africa were chosen. It is believed that the widths and thicknesses specified will all be utilized.

Other sizes may be required and can be dealt with later.

The pruning saws and shears have been included because of the large number of olive and citrus fruit trees in the area.

8. Textile Supplies.

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(b) The remainder of the tonnage has been allocated to textile items used as containers, protective coverings and draft animal harnessing. Special items include belting and repair materials.

(i) As containers jute bags have been provided for fertilizers on the assumption that each bag will be used several times. Furthermore, the limited number programmed is based on the availability of jute or substitute sacks in the area. The paper containers in the programme are expected to be used for some portion of the fertilizer container requirements. The tonnages of fertilizers and other agricultural chemicals which are recommended for importation should not be brought unless adequate provision is made for distribution to the many scattered small scale consumers.

(ii) The wheat crop translated into flour represents a further distribution problem. Cotton sacks are provided for this purpose. The number of sacks programmed is for less than the total wheat production.

Other sizes may be required and can be dealt with later.

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Table 6.

FORESTRY TOOL REQUIREMENTS

Item and Specification	Quantity	Tonnage without handles
<u>STEEL WEDGES</u> - Wood Chopping (Bernabe p. 276 fig. 2024)		
5 1/2 lb. size 2 1/2" long	2,400	6.5
<u>AXES</u> - Italian type - oval hole (Bernabe p. 275 fig. 2019)		
3 lb. type	15,000	22
<u>HAND PRUNING SHEARS</u> (Bernabe p. 274 fig. 991)		
6" long	5,000	5
<u>SAW FRAMES</u> - With corresponding blade - (Bernabe p. 570 fig. 3496)		
for blade 30" x 1 1/2"	2,500	4
<u>BAND SAWS</u> - In rolls of 300 ft. standard teeth - (Bernabe p. 574 fig. 3531)		
3/8" wide x 23 1/2" B&G thick	2,500	
1" " x 22 " "	12,000	
1 3/4" " x 21 " "	35,000	8
2 1/4" " x 19 1/2" "	2,000	
<u>TWO MAN SAWS</u> - Oval shape (Bernabe p. 573 fig. 3527)		
4 1/2" long	5,000	9
<u>PRUNING SAWS</u> (Bernabe p. 294 fig. 2193)		
14" blade	5,000	2
<u>HAND SAW</u> (Bernabe p. 512 fig. 3520)		

<u>AXES</u> - Italian type - oval hole (Bernabe p. 275 fig. 2019)			
3 lb. type	15,000	22	6.5
<u>HAND PRUNING SHEARS</u> (Bernabe p. 274 fig. 991)			
8" long	5,000	5	
<u>SAY FRAMES</u> - with corresponding blade - (Bernabe p. 570 fig. 3496)			
for blade 30" x 11"	2,500	4	
<u>BAND SAWS</u> - in rolls of 300 ft. standard teeth - (Bernabe p. 574 fig. 3531)			
3/8" wide x 23 1/2 BNG thick	2,500		
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24" blade	1,500	1.5	

(iii) To insure the maximum use of existing containers in the area, and to maintain the utility of those to be imported, the programme provides for the special types of thread and needles needed to repair the sacks.

(iv) The protective coverings provided include tarpaulins, binder and other harvesting canvas. The potential spoilage through failure to protect crops from the elements would eventually result in far greater import tonnage for food than for coverings themselves. It is also apparent that areas liberated from enemy occupation are notoriously deficient in such coverings because of the fact that very little, if any, has been made available to the civilian economy since the outbreak of the war. There has probably been some Army requisitioning as well. The yardage provided in the programme is far below any requirements based on crop yields. Some part of the additional need may be provided for through the repair materials on the programme.

(v) Light canvas is a special requirement for the harvesting of olives. A canvas is spread under the trees and the crop yield will not approach the needed goals unless the traditional harvest technique is permitted to be carried out. The amount programmed makes adequate allowance for some existing stocks and for savings through repair.

(vi) In connection with the repair of containers and coverings no provision has been made for other than hand-sown repairs. The volume of repair work which should be carried out suggests that sewing machines could profitably be provided. It is known that repair of sacks and harvesting canvases has previously been made with machines in these areas. The data which will aid in the programming of sewing machines, parts and needles is given in case importation of such items is deemed desirable.

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Table 7.

TEXTILE SUPPLIES REQUIRED

Item and Specification	Quantity	Tonnage
<u>JUTE SACKS</u> - (To be ordered in U.K.)		
100 lb. capacity average weight 1 lb. each	125,000	113
<u>COTTON SACKS</u>		
100 lb. capacity average weight 1/2 lb. each	250,000	56
<u>TARPAULINS</u>		
Size : 23 ft. x 16 ft. 5 inches average weight 84 lbs.	2,000	85
<u>HARVESTING CANVAS</u> - Coverings, etc.		
Quality : 9 wide number duck Width : 50" Cunecs per yard 24.09 Construction : 10 x 33	-----	50
<u>LIGHT CANVAS</u> - (Olive)		
Quality : waste duck Construction : 72 x 26 Width : 30" Cunecs per yd. 12	-----	10
<u>BINDER TWINE</u> (To be ordered in U.K.)	2,000	
<u>JUTE THREAD</u> (To be ordered in U.K.)		
No. 8 3 ply No. 10 2 ply		75
<u>CLOSING THREAD</u> (To be ordered in U.K.)		
No. 60 - Color - Brown (Put up in balls with paper core)		2
<u>SEWING THREAD</u> (To be ordered in U.K.)		
No. 12 - 4 cord - Tensile strength - 8 lbs. (Put up on small card board tubes containing 1/2 lb each)		1
<u>NEEDLES</u> - (To be ordered from U.K.)		
No. 14 Suitable for hand sewing heavy cloths	100,000	0.2
<u>PELTING</u>		
Leather and/or canvas and/or rubber		

Size : 23 ft. x 16 ft. 5 inches average weight 84 lbs.	2,000	85
<u>HARVESTING CANVAS - Coverings, etc.</u>		
Quality : 9 wide number duck		
Width : 53"		
Ounces per yrd 24.09		
Construction : 40 x 33		
<u>LIGHT CANVAS - (Collies)</u>	-----	50
Quality : waste duck		
Construction : 72 x 26		
Width : 31"		
Ounces per yd. 12	-----	10
<u>BINDER TWINE (To be ordered in U.K.)</u>		2,000
<u>JUTE THREAD (To be ordered in U.K.)</u>		
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No. 14		
<u>Suitable for hand sewing heavy cloths</u>	100,000	0.2
<u>BELTING</u>		
Leather and/or canvas and/or rubber		
Weight : 1/2 lb. per 1" width per foot		
2"	15%	
3"	36%	
4"	23%	
5"	13%	
6"	13%	
	Approximate relative percentages	10

Table 7 (Cont'd)

TEXTILE SUPPLIES REQUIRED

Item and Specification		Tonnage
<u>MULTIWALL KRAFT PAPER SHIPPING SACKS</u>		
Weight 72 Grams M2.		
5 Walls, open mouth sewn with bellows	20" x 40" 15%	300
4 " " " "	20" x 40" 40%	
5 " " " "	20" x 44" 40%	
4 " " " "	20" x 44" 5%	
<u>WRAPPING PAPERS.</u>		
Simuli kraft sheets - 25½" x 39 1/3" 50 x 70 grams M2.		30
White wrapping - In rolls 18" diameter, 40" wide or Sheets 25½" x 39 1/3"		500
Grease proof - Sheets 25½" x 39 1/3"		50
Blue wrapping - Sheets 25½" x 39 1/3"		25
<u>CARTONS FOLDING</u>		
Sheets 30½" x 42" - 300 grams M2		50
" 30½" x 42" - 420 "		20
<u>SEWING MACHINES FOR SACK REPAIR</u> - Singer 133 - K. 13 or Singer 45 - K. 76		All machines to be ordered in U.K.
Average weight - 50 lbs. each		
for repairing tarpaulins		
Singer 45 - K. 5		
Average weight - 50 lbs. each		
for sewing and closing sacks.		
"Union Special"		
Average weight - 50 lbs. each		
<u>SPARE PARTS FOR SEWING MACHINES</u>		For British made machines to be ordered in U.K.
Needed - approximately an average of 1 kilo of spare parts per machine per year to keep up much used machines.		
<u>NEEDLES FOR REPAIR OF SACKS</u> - to be used with the corresponding type of sewing machine.		
Nos. 28, 29, 30.		
<u>NEEDLES FOR REPAIR OF TARPAILING</u> - to be used with the corresponding type of sewing machine		
Needle No. 26		
<u>NEEDLES FOR SEWING SACKS AND CLOSING SACKS</u> - to be used with the corresponding		

Similar kraft sheets - 25 1/2" x 39 1/3" 50 x 70 grams M2.	30
White wrapping - In rolls 18" diameter, 40" wide or Sheets 25 1/2" x 39 1/3"	
Grease proof - Sheets 25 1/2" x 39 1/3"	500
Blue wrapping - Sheets 25 1/2" x 39 1/3"	50
<u>CARTONS FOLDING</u>	25
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Average weight - 50 lbs. each	<u>All machines to be ordered in U.K.</u>
<u>for repairing barnenlips</u>	
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<u>NEEDLES FOR SEWING SACKS AND CLOSING SACKS</u> - to be used with the corresponding type of sewing machine.	
Needle No. 10 and No. 12 and Excelsior H.156 - for sewing sacks.	
Needle No. 12 and No. 14 and Excelsior H.156 - for closing sacks.	
<u>ALL STUDIES TO BE ORDERED IN U.K.</u>	
<u>An average of 12 needles per machine per year is needed.</u>	

9.

Insecticides, Fungicides, Fumigants and Other Chemicals.

Copper sulphate is of great importance both for viticulture and vegetable production. If the facilities are available, copper scrap may be used in its production. Before the war Italy exported copper sulphate. It is assumed that war conditions disrupted same.

Lead arsenate is used for leaf and fruit-eating insects such as a small worm that gets into the fruits shortly after blossoming. The amount is conservatively based on pre-war consumption. Aluminum arsenate or calcium arsenate may be substituted, the latter in double the weight.

Carbon tetrachloride is a cereal insecticide and is used for fumigating and preserving grain. The estimated amounts given for this chemical and for carbon disulfide, trichlorethylene and benzene are considered as moderate based partly on North African experience. The latter three chemicals are used principally in the extraction of edible olive oil, a vital product in the Sicilian and Southern Italian economy.

Anhydrous ammonia and calcium chloride are essential for refrigerating processes, the manufacture of a ton of ice calling for 350 grammes of calcium chloride, 75 grammes of anhydrous ammonia and 10 grammes of sulphur dioxide.

The large urban centers in this area, including Naples and Palermo, will probably require more refrigeration than the chemicals programmed will provide.

White oil, which is considered indispensable for the spraying of citrus trees, is not listed because there is no record of any importations. It seems probable that it might have been produced as a by-product of the asphalt bituminous refining industry in Sicily.

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TABLE 8

AMOUNTS OF INSECTICIDES, FUNGICIDES, FUMIGANTS
AND OTHER CHEMICALS REQUIRED FOR IMMEDIATE AND
SUBSEQUENT DELIVERIES.

Chemical	For Immediate Delivery		Subsequent Deliveries	
	Amount	Date	Amount	Date
	(Metric tons)	Arrival	(Metric tons)	Arrival
Ammonium Sulphate or Equivalent Ammonium Nitrate	12,000	November	26,000	Jan. Feb.
Ammonium Nitrate	2,000	November	1,000	Jan.
Sodium Nitrate	2,000	November	4,000	Jan. Mar.
Copper Sulphate	4,000	December	12,000	Jan. Mar.
Lead Arsenate	100	November	500	Jan. Mar.
Carbon Tetrachloride	50	November	100	Jan. Mar.
Carbon Disulphide	200	November	100	Jan.
Trichlorethylene	300	November	200	Jan. Feb.
Benzene	40	Nov. Dec.		
Anhydrous Ammonia	5		10	
Calcium Chloride	15		45	

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IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS REQUIRED.

Item and Specification.	Quantity (in feet)	Tonnage
WIRE ROPE - 6 strands - 19 wires each		
1" - 1", 3/4", 1" diameter	1" - 225,000 3/4" - 75,000 1" - 40,000	55
STEEL PIPE - Galvanized - British threaded & coupled		
2" & 3" nominal diameter	(in feet)	
5% by weight of fittings, elbows, tees, plugs	2" - 20,000	34)
BOLTS & NUTS - Flat head, countersunk with sidelug.	3" - 15,000	50) 84
square nuts		
1" x 1"	1" x 2")	4)
3/8" x 1"	3/8" x 1")	
1" x 1 1/2"	1" x 2 1/2")	
3/4" x 2"	3/4" x 3")	8) 12
RIVETS - Soft steel - for cold riveting - round head		
1" x 1", 3/8" x 1 1/2", 1" x 1 1/2" - 30,000 each size		2
WASHERS - plain, back - 1", 3/8", 1", 3/4" diameter bolts & rivets - 25,000 each size.		1
NAILS - Common flat head - 1" x 16 Bwg Packed	200 kegs	
1 1/2" x 14 " in 100 lb.	150 "	
2" x 12 " kegs	100 "	25
WIRE - Soft steel, black - 14 Bwg		40
STEEL STRIP - Soft, black - 1" x 17 Bwg		25
ANIMAL SHOES - 1 Fore, 1 Hind Horse - No. 000, No. 00 (Bernabe p. 312)		15
Mule - No. 0, No. 01 (Bernabe p. 312)	fig. 2775)	5
Ox - No. 2, No. 3 (Pasquier, Jost et Cie)		25
HORSE SHOE NAILS - (Bernabe p. 313, fig. 2277) Nos. 2 & 3		15
MILD STEEL FLATS - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 3/16" and 2" x 2" x 3/16".		50
25 tons of each size		50
ANGLE IRON - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 3/16", 2" x 2" x 3/16" 25 tons of each size		50
CORRUGATED GALVANIZED IRON SHEETS		
32" wide after forming - 10 - 3" corrugations		
23 Bwg - 6-10" long, with ridge tools, nails & washers		100
BARBED WIRE - galvanized - 4 points - 5" spacing - 12 1/2 Bwg		50
80 rod spools		
POULTRY NETTING - Hexagonal galvanized		
2" mesh - 19 Bwg - 36" wide - 150' roll		25
STRAIGHT LINK CHAINS - Electric welded, polished not galvanized (in feet)		
(Bernabe p. 59, fig. 214)		
11 Bwg link wire chain		250,000)
3 Bwg " " "		140,000)
000 Bwg " " "		35,000)
FLOUGHSHARE - Quality steel sheets		43
3' x 6' x 5/16" thick		

$\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ " $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 2"	$\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 3"	25,000 each size.	8) 12
<u>RIVETS</u> - Soft steel - for cold riveting - round head			
$\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1", 3/8" x $1\frac{1}{2}$ ", $\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ "	$\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ "	30,000 each size	2
<u>WASHERS</u> - plain, back - $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 3/8", $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 3/4" diameter bolts & rivets - 25,000 each size.			
<u>NAILS</u> - Common flat head - 1" x 16 BWG Packed			
$1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14 "	in 100 lb.	200 kgs	1
2" x 12 "	kegs	150 "	1
<u>WIRE</u> - Soft steel, black - 14 BWG			
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25 tons of each size			
<u>ANGLE IRON</u> - $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3/16", 2" x 2" x 3/16"			
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10. Iron and Steel Products.

The comparatively low degree of mechanization in the area's agriculture (Sicily is reputed to have had only 700 agricultural tractors) does not reduce the need for iron and steel products.

The maintenance of implements, animal-drawn vehicles and farm facilities cannot be accomplished without the importation of semi-processed metals. Equally the distribution of agricultural products cannot be achieved without certain metal products.

The end-uses justifying the iron and steel items on the programme are as follows.

<u>Product</u>	<u>End-Use</u>
Wire Rope	Haulage and harness
Steel Pipe	Irrigation
Bolts and Nuts	Implement and vehicle repair
Rivets	" " "
Washers	" " "
Nails	Packing case closure
Wire	Baling
Steel Strip	Packing case closure
Animal Shoes	Farm animals
Horse Shoe Nails	" "
Mild Steel Flat	Implement and vehicle repair
Angle Irons	" " and posts
Corrugated Iron Sheets	Roofing
Barbed Wire	Enclosure
Poultry Netting	"

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