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Section I

THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES

1. Composition.

The Italian Armed Forces covered by these instructions include:-

- (a) The Italian Army (R.E.)
- (b) The Italian Navy (R.M.)
- (c) The Italian Air Force (R.A.)
- (d) The Carabinieri (CC.RR.)
- (e) The Finance Guard. (GG.FF.)

mobilised in Italy, Sicily, Sardinia or Corsica and effectively employed in aiding the Allied war effort in combat, internal security or administrative duties.

2. Strength & Distribution.

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- (b) The Italian Ministry of War (under direction from M.M.I.A.) controls the distribution of all supplies noted in para 3(a) above to ⁶⁷³¹all Italian Forces from the points at which they are taken over by Italian agencies.
- (c) The Italian armed forces are to be administered to the fullest possible extent by their own headquarters within the following principles:-

3. Administration (Contd.)

- (i) Italian Formation HQs are responsible for their internal supply organisation after receiving supplies in bulk from Allied sources.
- (ii) Italian units serving in Allied formations, districts or base sections where no major Italian HQ exists may be administered by the appropriate Allied HQ.
- (iii) Italian troops serving in or with predominantly British or U.S. units will receive supplies from the unit in which they are serving.
- (d) The M.M.I.A. Supervisory organisation and system of liaison officers is laid down in detail in para 14 and in Appx 'B'.

Section II

PROVISION POLICY

4. Nature and Sources of Supply.

- (a) The term "Supplies" will be taken to include any or all of the following essential items which are being provided from the sources shown:-
 - (i) Subsistence on approved daily scales from the United States.
 - (ii) Clothing in approved quantities from the United States, and United Kingdom sources; in addition to reconditioned articles from Allied locally reconditioned stocks.
 - (iii) Medical stores (including veterinary) on British scales from United Kingdom or Middle East.
 - (iv) Petrol, oil and lubricants, issuable from Allied stocks under the provisions of A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No. 11.
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(c) Arms, ammunition and engineer or ordnance equipment are not being provided except as follows:-

(i) Minor deficiencies may be made good from Allied national stocks in the case of units otherwise practically equipped from Italian sources, provided Allied stocks are not unduly depleted and provided such issues are considered operationally necessary and no replacement is required. Demands for such items will be made as follows:-

Units under command of Allied formations through H.Q. of those formations.

Units not under command of Allied formations through S.M.R.E. to

M.S.I.A.

4. Nature and Sources of Supply (Contd)

- (ii) Requests for major issues involving questions of principle will be similarly made to H.Q. AAI either through or with copies to M.M.I.A.
- (a) Certain supplementary items of subsistence such as fruit, wine and oil are being provided from local produce by the Italian authorities and are an essential component of the proper ration scale. It is intended the amounts of these should increase as production permits, in replacement of imported goods. The procurement, storage and distribution of these items is primarily an Italian responsibility. Wherever adequate provision cannot be made from local resources such central control and redistribution as is required will be organised by the Ministry of War on the recommendation and with the help of M.M.I.A., co-ordinated where necessary with AAI Local Resources Board and the Economic Section of

A.C.C.

5. Forecasts, Demands and Stocks.

- (a) M.M.I.A. is responsible in conjunction with the Ministry of War for making the necessary forecasts to H.Q. AAI for supplies and shipping for imported supplies.
- (b) M.M.I.A. is responsible for making bulk demands (except for P.O.L.) for shipping tonnage to H.Q. AAI and sends a representative to the AAI tonnage meetings for this purpose.
- (c) Ministry of War will provide as required by M.M.I.A. such states, returns and certificates as are needed to enable demands to be made and stocks to be checked. (See Appx. 'D').

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6. Consignment and Delivery.

- (a) It is the present policy that the effective Italian Forces will normally be maintained by supplies, demanded, procured and shipped specifically for that purpose. It is the intention that such supplies should be marked with the identifying letters "I.T.I." before shipment. Exceptional circumstances (in which supplies are issued to the Italian Forces from Allied stocks), are dealt with in para. 10.
- (b) Delivery of consignments consigned specifically to the Italian Forces (and of any others allotted in exceptional circumstances from Allied stocks in this theatre) will be accepted by Italian authorities as described in Section III.

(c) Economy in demanding, handling and utilising all supplies in repair and re-issue of unserviceable equipment and in salvaging and conserving containers and by-products is to be exercised by all concerned.

(1) Supervisory and accounting agencies (Allied - Italian) are being established (as detailed in Sections IV & V) to ensure that issues do not exceed the approved scales and that supplies are used only for the purpose intended and not bartered, sold or otherwise illegally disposed of.

(e) The signed receipts given by the Italian authorities will imply a positive assurance that the above conditions are understood.

Section III

METHOD OF HANDLING

9. Responsibility for Handling.

While Allied Port Commanders are responsible for unloading all supplies, it is essential that the Italian Army should accept the fullest possible responsibility for transportation, storage and accounting for supplies allotted to them as soon as possible after their arrival in the country. It is equally necessary that all items are checked by Allied and Italian representatives at the point of acceptance; exact amounts received and any differences between them and ships manifests (or issue vouchers) being noted as prescribed in Section V.

The Ministry of War will provide and maintain an adequate organisation of the proper type and with proper equipment to handle efficiently and expeditiously supplies accepted by them from the time they are received until they are taken into use.

10. Point of Acceptance.

- (a) Wherever supplies are handed over to the Italian Forces a definite acceptance point will be fixed at which all responsibility will pass to the receiving agents. It is the intention that this point should be at, or as near as is practicable to, the shipside, dependent on circumstances as follows :-
- (i) If the consignment arrives with distinguishable case markings and port working conditions permit sorting at shipside, acceptance point will be at shipside.
- (ii) If the consignment arrives with adequate case markings but port working conditions preclude sorting at shipside, the port authorities may decide to clear the cargo to a transit sorting depot for identification and acceptance there.
- (iii) If the consignment arrives with inadequate case markings or if port working conditions preclude sorting at shipside the Allied supply and port authorities may agree either to hand over the consignment as on ships manifest without regard to markings, or to take the consignment into Allied stock and issue in lieu to the Italians from Allied stock quantities shown as I.T.I. on ships manifest.
- (b) In any event supplies will be handed over in the presence of Allied and Italian representatives. Delivery will be accepted by Italian Port detachments on behalf of the Italian Army. It will be the responsibility of M.M.I.A. Services Supervisory Officers concerned to ensure that an efficient check is carried out, that the actual quantities of supplies are handed over and that local receipts (acceptance notes) are obtained

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(c) Supplies issued in exceptional circumstances from Allied stocks already in the country will be checked and accepted at the depot from which they are issued in the presence of Allied and Italian representatives.

11. Transportation.

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Allied port commanders are responsible for unloading supplies and for ensuring their speedy movement to Italian base depots. Italian transport and labour will be used wherever possible. When suitable Italian transport cannot be provided, Allied transport may be used.

12. Storage

Proper storage will be provided by the Italian authorities who will report the location and function of each warehouse to the local Allied commander and M.M.I.A. Supplies will be warehoused in accordance with recognised procedure to ensure safety from theft, fire, weather, insects or vermin and permit of checking and distribution with care and efficiency. Such warehouses and stocks will be open to inspection by M.M.I.A., and the warehouses themselves to representatives of local Allied commanders for local administrative purposes.

13. Distribution

Italian military authorities will be responsible, and will issue regulations (approved by M.M.I.A.) for the efficient distribution and issue of supplies to the troops for whom they are intended, on the appropriate scales and under the detailed procedure given in Appendices 'E', 'F' and 'G'.

The Italian Ministry of War (under M.M.I.A. supervision) will keep up-to-date particulars of stocks in various localities on which to base such redistribution as may be necessary, and will make demands for any rail and sea transport required to M.M.I.A. Subsequent detailed distribution will be made by Italian services concerned, based on the following principles :-

- (a) Supplies (other than medical stores) to Italian formations and units in combat areas, or where Italian depots are too distant to permit of economical use, will be issued from Allied depots, and a corresponding readjustment (based on signed receipts and not exceeding the proper amounts for the authorised number of troops retailed) made between bulk depots in rear.
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- (b) Supplies to Italian units operating with Allied Forces in back areas will be moved to suitable ^{supply} points under Italian arrangements by agreement with local Allied commanders concerned.
- (c) Supplies for small parties of Italian troops or individuals serving in or with Allied units will be issued through Allied channels.
- (d) Supplies for other Italian troops (including Navy and Air Force) will be distributed under arrangements to be made between the Italian Army, Navy and Air Force authorities.

Section IVSUPERVISORY AGENCY14. Allied Supervision.

Allied supervision to the minimum extent requisite for the issue and distribution of supplies to the Italian Army, Navy and Air Force is provided by M.M.I.A. (see para 3 a), being controlled by Officers (British or American) of the country of origin of the supplies concerned.

This is effected by means of:-

- (a) Central control and supervision of issues by HQ M.M.I.A. involving direct communication with the Italian Ministry of War or with Allied commanders concerned.
- (b) M.M.I.A. Staff Liaison Officers at HQ of certain Allied commanders and Italian Formations (as detailed in Appendix 'B') who assist in furthering this object in addition to their other duties.
- (c) M.M.I.A. Services Supervisory Detachments forming part of the staff of M.M.I.A. and allotted to various sectors (as detailed in Appendix 'B') to hand over supplies.

15. Italian Supervision.

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16. Supervisory Duties.

- (a) M.M.I.A. Services Supervisory Detachments will be responsible for:-

- (i) Identification, checking and transfer of 'I.T.I.' stores to Italian Depots. Checking (with Italian Detachments) lists of and receipts for all stores received by Italian Forces from Allied sources.
- (ii) Inspecting stocks and inventories in Italian Depots and otherwise satisfying themselves that all stores are handled, stored, safeguarded, turned over, issued and used in accordance with the terms of this instruction and in the best interests of the Allied cause.
- (iii) Preparing and submitting to M.M.I.A. such returns, receipts and reports as are required by this instruction or otherwise found necessary (see para 19).

16. Supervisory Duties (Contd.)

(iv) Maintaining closest contact with Italian detachments and assisting in every way possible to ensure efficiency and economy.

(b) Italian Detachments will be responsible for:-

(i) Checking, accepting (with M.H.I.A. Detachments) and giving receipts for all stores handed over to them. (See para 19).

(ii) Handling and transporting to Italian Depots as required by M.H.I.A. or local Allied commanders.

(iii) Obtaining such advance information as they require regarding movements, consignments and locations from the Allied Detachments.

(iv) Providing such information regarding stocks, transport and warehouse facilities and locations as is required by the M.H.I.A. detachments.

(v) Assisting in every possible way to ensure prompt and efficient handling of stores, to prevent their loss or misuse, and to provide accurate records of all transactions with which they are concerned.

Above Italian detachments will be provided with written orders by Italian commanders concerned; these orders will give the proper procedure to be adopted and the correct form of receipts, returns and reports required.

Section VACCOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS17. Object.

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17. Object.

This instruction is intended to provide the simplest and most efficient means by which all supplies (except P.O.L.) received by Italian Armed Forces can be accounted for and subsequently priced.

18. Basic Principles.

- (a) An agreed Allied and Italian check of all supplies actually and physically handed over at the point of acceptance.
- (b) Adequate facilities for inspection by Allied representatives of inventories and stocks held in Italian Depots.
- (c) The furnishing to Chief Accountant AGC of monthly statements, supported by signed receipts, showing the actual amounts of the various commodities handed over, the state of stocks in hand and the number of effective troops, stocks from US and British sources being recorded separately.

19. Accounting Method.

(a) The following documents will be used in the case of supplies specifically provided for the Italian Forces:-

(i) As each ship is cleared, or as each bulk issue (including reconditioned clothing) is made from an Allied bulk depot to an Italian bulk depot, a complete check of all commodities handed over will be made at the point of acceptance. Amounts will be checked by Allied and Italian representatives and Acceptance Notes (Tally Cuts or Issue Vouchers) showing commodities, units and nett quantities (in Allied measures) will be completed (in quadruplicate) by the M.M.I.A. detachment; they will be signed by the senior Allied and Italian representative present. Acceptance Notes will be serially numbered at each port or depot; first copy will be sent to M.M.I.A., original by Italian detachment to Ministry of War, one retained as a record by M.M.I.A. detachment, and one retained by Italian Depot.

(ii) On receiving Acceptance Notes H.Q., M.M.I.A. will prepare appropriate Shipping Tickets (US Form QHC No. 434) in triplicate and obtain thereon the signature of a responsible officer of the Ministry of War. Shipping tickets will then be counter-signed by the senior M.M.I.A. Officer (US or British) of the Country of origin of the supplies. Shipping tickets will be numbered serially by M.M.I.A., one copy of each will be furnished monthly (by the 15th of each month to include supplies handed over up to 25th of the previous month) to the Chief Accountant A.C.C., one returned to the Ministry of War and

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(iii) A Monthly Summary of receipts, issues and stocks on hand will be prepared by Ministry of War to show the consolidated position on 25th of each month. Summaries will be furnished (in triplicate) to H.Q. M.M.I.A. by the 10th of the following month; they will be classified according to major categories (as required by the Allied service concerned) and will include all supplies (except Medical Stores) received from whatever Allied Sources. Summaries will be scrutinised by H.Q. M.M.I.A. with special reference to rates of consumption and one copy sent (with appropriate observations) to Chief Accountant A.C.C. (with supporting Shipping Tickets) by the

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19. Accounting Method (Contd)(a) (iii) Contd

15th of each month. One copy of Summary of Supplies from U.S. sources will be sent to C.G. S.G.S. NATOUSA and one copy of Summary of supplies from British sources to H.Q. AAI by H.M.I.A.

(iv) In addition to the summary in (iii) above, MIA may require interim reports to cover ten or fifteen daily periods, giving such information as is needed to ensure proper control and provision action. Such requirements will be notified by H.Q. M.M.I.A. Direct to Ministry of War.

(b) Stores and equipment (other than reconditioned clothing) issued from national stocks in this country to meet special needs or to make good minor deficiencies (mentioned in Para 4c) are not the responsibility of M.M.I.A. and will not be dealt with by the above method; they will be accounted for as may be required by the national authority concerned.

20. Ships Manifests.

Ships Manifests, (copies of which are furnished to M.M.I.A. Supervisory Detachments by port authorities) will be used as a basis for planning transport and storage space but, as in practice they are found to vary considerably from the lists of supplies actually received, required or handed over, they will not be used as receipts. They will be sent to Chief Accountant, A.C.C. with monthly summaries so that in the event of a comparison being required between them and the actual amounts unloaded the information can be obtained.

21. Disposal of Records.

When records are disposed of, the Chief Accountant, A.C.C. will be able to

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From the above records the Chief Accountant A.C.C. will be able to make appropriate accounting entries and insert prices, as required by higher authority.

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APPENDIX 'D'

STATES AND RETURNS

(Required by ITHA from Italian Ministry of War.)

Serial No. (a)	NATURE OF RETURN (b)	DATE(S) DUE AT ITHA (c)	REMARKS (d)
1.	MONTHLY STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES	5th of each month.	as at 25th of preceding month. (See Proforma No. 1)
2.	MONTHLY SUMMARY OF STOCKS ON HAND	10th of each month.	as at 25th of preceding month. Reference S.O.P. para. 19a (iii).
3.	INTERIM SUMMARY OF STOCKS ON HAND	25th of each month	as at 10th of preceding month, reference S.O.P. para. 19a (iv)
4.	MONTHLY DEMAND (MEDICAL STORES)	5th of each month.	For the following month showing also existing stocks of items demanded. (see Appx 'G' para. 3).
5.	10 - DAILY FORAGE DEMAND	5th, 15th, 25th of each month	10 days in advance of Decade.
6.	MONTHLY REQUIREMENTS FROM LOCAL RESOURCES. (SUBSISTENCE)	Last day of the month.	For the following month.
7.	MONTHLY RETURN OF DISINFECTANTS.	5th of each month.	as at 25th of preceding month (see Appx 'G' para 6)
8.	QUARTERLY STOCK RETURN OF MEDICAL	5th of January	see Appx 'G' para 4.

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8.	QUARTERLY STOCK RETURN OF MEDICAL STORES	5th of January, April, July, October.	see Appx 'G' para 4.

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(a) TOTAL MATIONS. Combat Scale Basic Scale

S	E	R	L	I	A	T.
LOCATION						
ITALIAN ARMY	(c)	On	Combat	Scale.	(d)	(a) (b)
ITALIAN NAVY	(e)	On	Combat	Scale	(f)	(g) (h)
ITALIAN AIR FORCE	(i)	On	Combat	Scale	(j)	(k) (l)
CAVABINIERI	(m)	On	Combat	Scale	(n)	(o) (p)
GUARDIA	(q)	On	Combat	Scale	(r)	(s) (t)
1. With British Formations with Eighth Army.						
2. With British Formations with Fifth Army.						
3. With US Formations with Fifth Army.						
4. In Route of Army Headquarters HAINLAND						
5. SAMBIRIA						
6. SICILY						
7. CORSIGA						
8. TOTAL						

STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN ARMED FOR

S E R I A L	L O C A T I O N	I T A L I A N A R M Y		I T A L I A N N A V Y		I T A L I A N A I R F O R C E		C A R A B I N I E R I		G U A R D I A
		On Combat Scale.	On Basic Scale	On Combat Scale	On Basic Scale	On Combat Scale	On Basic Scale	On Combat Scale	On Basic Scale	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
1.	With British formations with Eighth Army									
2.	With British formations with Fifth Army.									
3.	With US formations with Fifth Army									
4.	In Rear of Army Boundaries M A I N L A N D									
5.	S A R D I N I A									
6.	S I C I L Y									
7.	C O R S I C A									
8.	T O T A L									

(a) TOTAL RATIONS. Combat Scale _____ Basic Scale _____

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STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES

APPENDIX 'D'
Schedule 1.

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Combat Scale _____ Basic Scale _____ Total Armed Forces _____

SUBSISTENCE.DETAILED PROCEDURE

AND

SCALES OF ISSUE.

1. Detailed procedure is given fully in the MIA document entitled:-

Supply Organisation and Accounting Instructions for the Provision of Food to Italian Armed Forces

which has been issued (in Italian and English) to the Italian Supply Services and to MIA Supervisory Officers, for whose instruction and guidance it is mainly intended. Additional copies may be obtained from HQ. MIA by other interested authorities.

2. The general intention of the above document is to establish and teach a standard practice to be operated in conformity with both Allied and Italian systems in the field. Its contents are summarised as follows:-

a) Method by which the maximum executive responsibility for handling imported supplies and for obtaining and distributing indigenous supplies can be efficiently undertaken by Italian agencies.

b) Method by which supervision can be exercised and Allied interests safeguarded by MIA.

c) Division of the area into six sectors as follows:-

Naples.	Catanzaro.
Bari.	Sicily.
Lecce.	Sardinia.

each having its own Italian supply service under Allied supervision as follows:-

Distribution Details

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Commissariat Direction.

Distribution Depots.

Port Detachments.

Bakeries.

Bulk Depots

Pasta Factories.

d) System of distribution and accounting involving use of the following

documentation:-

Despatch Notes

Despatches Register

Receipt Register

Rations Issue Note.

Register of Ration Demands

Register of Ration Issues (by Commodities).

Commodity Stock Accounts.

Specimen proforma of these are provided with the document itself.

3. Scales of issue and equivalents at present authorised are as shown on the attached schedule I to Appendix 'I'.

This scale is constantly under review and may be changed from time to time to suit current conditions and make full use of all procurable local supplies.

4. Disposal of Unfit Food.

a) Subsistence issued from Allied sources will be presumed to be fit for human consumption at the time of issue. Commodities considered unfit will NOT in any case be replaced in kind to the Italian Government.

b) Items found to be unfit will NOT in any case be sold, exchanged, bartered or disposed of in any way other than by destruction (except as noted in sub-para "c").

c) The value of items destroyed may (if approved by IMIA) be reported to the Chief Accountant ACC and credited to the Italian Government under the following procedure:-

(i) An Analysis Commission composed of a commissioned food chemist, a commissioned subsistence officer and a commissioned officer in the holding depot (supervised by an IMIA Liaison Officer) will normally be appointed by the depot Commander to report on unfit items before they are disposed of. If destruction is so urgently necessary that previous analysis is impracticable, immediate destruction may be ordered by the depot Commander personally, and a full report of the circumstances made immediately to IMIA for investigation and confirmation.

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(ii) Analysis Reports will be prepared in quintuplicate (in accordance with attached schedule No. 2), four copies being sent to MIIA. On approval by MIIA, one copy will be sent to Ministry of War, one returned to MIIA Liaison Officer concerned (as authority for destruction) and one to Chief Accountant ACC (as authority for credit note).

(iii) Destruction (when authorised by MIIA) will be witnessed by an MIIA Liaison Officer (or NCO if the value is under one hundred dollars) and two Italian Officers, who will certify the amounts, place, time and method of destruction. Such certificates (in duplicate) will be attached to the analysis report or other order for the destruction and sent to MIIA for scrutiny and record.

- d) Supplies found unfit for consumption within units will normally be returned to issuing depots for replacement in kind. Subsistences destroyed in units will not be replaced without a full report and approval of HQ.
- e) No credit will be given to the Italian Government for items found suitable for animal consumption or containing recoverable fats or other recoverable components. Recommendations by the analysis commission for disposal of such items so as to retain maximum benefit to the Italian Armed Forces and the Allies should be stated on the certificate. Necessary action must be taken to ensure that such foodstuffs are not diverted illegally to Black Market, etc.
- f) Similar procedure will be carried out in the case of forage, except that forage, after condemnation by analysis commission, will be destroyed at its existing location and NOT returned to Depots.

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existing location and NCT returned to Depots.

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RATION SCALES AND EQUIVALENTS FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES (AS AT

COMBAT, i.e. "A" Scale.		BASIC, i.e. "B"		
Per Man Per Day		As laid down by the Allied authorities		As
Item	ozs.	Item	Ozs	
<u>Items</u> <u>From Allied Sources:</u>		<u>Items</u> <u>From Allied Sources:</u>		
<u>Flour</u>	18	<u>Flour</u>	12	Pa
<u>Pasta</u>	3	(or Wheat at one-third extra weight in lieu of Flour)		(f
<u>Rice</u>	2			r
		<u>Biscuits - Rice (if available -</u> <u>- Macaroni may be issued in</u> <u>equivalent weights in lieu of</u> <u>Flour</u>		TO
				Bis
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				FI
<u>Canned Meat</u> <u>and/or</u> <u>Canned Fish</u> (Same remarks as to substitutes for these items apply as under Basic Scale)	4	<u>Canned Meat</u> (any type of Canned Meat and Meat & Vegetable preparation may be issued under this heading. OR Dehydrated Meat may be issued at one-third the weight in lieu of Canned Meat)	2	Can
		2 ozs extra of Canned Meat per day may be issued to heavy manual workers.		

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SCALES AND EQUIVALENTS FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES (AS AT MAY 1944)

APPENDIX 'E'
Schedule 1

BASIC, i.e. "B" Scale.		As actually administered by the Italian authorities.
As laid down by the Allied authorities	Per Man Per Day	
Item	Ozs	
<u>Items</u> <u>From Allied Sources:</u> <u>Flour</u> (or Wheat at one-third extra weight in lieu of Flour) <u>Biscuits - Rice (if available -</u> <u>Macaroni may be issued in</u> <u>equivalent weights in lieu of</u> <u>Flour</u>	12	<u>Pasta 105 grms per day</u> (for manufacture of which 109 grms Flour required) TOGETHER WITH <u>Biscuits 240 grms per day</u> (but not more frequently than three times every ten days) OR <u>Bread 300 grms per day</u> (for manufacture of which 231 grms Flour required) <u>Carne Scatolata 56 grms per day</u>
<u>Canned Meat</u> (any type of Canned Meat and Meat & Vegetable preparation may be issued under this heading. OR <u>Dehydrated Meat may be issued at one-third the weight in lieu of Canned Meat)</u> 2 ozs extra of Canned Meat per day may be issued to heavy manual workers.	2	

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Pulses
(same remarks apply
as under Basic Scale)

3 1/2

Sugar

1

Coffee

1/2

Pepper

1/200

Cheese

1

Tomato Catsup

1/2

(May be substituted
by Potted Meat or
Canned Tomatoes at
equivalent weights,
or by Tomato Juice
at twice the weight.)

Canned Fish

4

(any type of Canned Fish may be
issued under this heading, and
also Tinned Sausages may be
issued in lieu weight for weight)

Pulses

2

(Pulses are dried Peas, Beans or
lentils. Tinned Vegetables may be
issued in lieu of Pulses at twice
the weight, or Dehydrated
Vegetables may be issued in lieu
at one half the weight).

Sugar

1/2

Coffee (Ground)

1/2

(Surrogata may be issued in lieu of
Coffee at equivalent weight. Cocoa
may be issued in lieu at one half
of the weight. Tea may be issued in
lieu at one-third of the weight).

Pepper

1/200

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<u>Canned Fish</u> (any type of Canned Fish may be issued under this heading, and also Tinned Sausages may be issued in lieu weight for weight)	4	<u>Pesce Scatolato 113.4 grms per day.</u>
<u>Pulses</u> (Pulses are dried Peas, Beans or lentils. <u>Tinned Vegetables</u> may be issued in lieu of Pulses at twice the weight, or <u>Dehydrated Vegetables</u> may be issued in lieu at one half the weight).	2	<u>Pisellini 56 grms per day</u>
<u>Sugar</u>	1/2	<u>Zucchero 14 grms per day</u>
<u>Coffee (Ground)</u> (Surrogata may be issued in lieu of Coffee at equivalent weight. <u>Cocoa</u> may be issued in lieu at one half of the weight. <u>Tea</u> may be issued in lieu at one-third of the weight).	1/2	<u>Caffè at 10 grms per day</u> (Officers and Under-Officers messes 14.175 grms per day).
<u>Pepper</u>	1/200	<u>Pepe at 0.14 grms per day.</u>

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Items from
Italian Sources:

<u>Fresh Fruit</u>	4
<u>Fresh Vegetables</u>	8
<u>Olive Oil</u>	1
<u>Nuts</u>	1
<u>Salt</u>	1/2
<u>Wine</u>	1/2 Litre
<u>Onions</u>	2
(Onion Powder or Garlic may be issued in lieu of Onions at one-twelfth the weight)	

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<u>Olive Oil</u>	1	
<u>Nuts</u>	1	Ø
<u>Salt</u>	1/2	
<u>Wine</u>	1/2 Litre	
		Ø

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Italian Sources:Fresh Fruit

4

Ø Frutta Fresca 113 grms per day.
(may be substituted by 50 grms
of Dried Fruit Pulp or 15 grms
nett of Dried Fruit with Almonds).Fresh Vegetables

8

Ø Verdura Fresca 226 grms per day
(may be substituted in exception all
cases by 22 grms Dehydrated Vegetables
of Italian manufacture if available.)Olive Oil

1

Olio 28 grms per dayNuts

1

Ø Frutta Secca a Mandorla Sgusciata
28 grms per daySalt

1/2

Sale 25 grms per dayWine

1/2 Litre

Vino 1/2 LitreConserva 8 grms per dayTabacchi 5 grms per dayFormaggio Raspa 6.5 grms per dayØ To be purchased by units under
individual arrangements.

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Additional Items for Hospital
patients to be provided from
Allied Sources (x)
(additional to normal
entitlement on Scale "B")

Per Day
Per Man
Grms

<u>Tinned Milk</u>	21.593
<u>Rice</u>	40.77
<u>Semoline</u> (or equivalent product)	10.57
<u>Margarine</u>	36.24
<u>Meat Extract</u>	1.812

(x) As at 20 May 44, not yet officially
approved.

APPENDIX 'E'
Schedule 2

ANALYSIS REPORT

S.O.F.

A.

- 1. Name of Depot or Unit _____
- 2. Date of Investigation _____
- 3. Commodity _____ Quantity _____
- 4. Warranty expiry date _____ Packing Date _____
- 5. Cause of Damage _____
- 6. Condition _____
- 7. Recommendations (and remarks regarding animal feed or fat contents) _____

8. Signature of MIIA representatives and Commission _____

HQ MIIA. APPROVAL

B.

M.M.I.A.

DESTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

C.

Destruction of above commodities was witnessed by me/us at:-

8. Signature of MIA representatives and Coriission

HQ MIA. APPROVAL

M.M.I.A.

DESTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Destruction of above commodities was witnessed by me/us at:-

Time

Date

Place

Signatures.

VALUE TO BE CREDITED

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Chief Accountant A.C.C.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENTDetailed Procedure1. Depots of Allied Clothing specifically assigned to the ItalianArmed Forces are located as follows :-a) Main Depots.

NAPLES.

BARI.

PALERMO.

CAGLIARI.

b) Sub Depots.

LECCE.

TARANTO.

BARI - vicinity of.

NAPLES - Area adjacent to
NAPLES.2. Clothing Scales.

The authorised scale of issue per man from available stocks will not exceed:-

Jackets, Battle Dress, Dyed (or Coats wool)	1.
Trousers, Battle Dress, Dyed (or Trousers wool)	1.
Boots, pairs	1.
Shirts, wool or cotton	2.
Caps, wool	1.
Drawers, wool or cotton	2.
Vests, wool or cotton	2.
Socks, wool or cotton, pairs	3.
Belts, waist web	1.
Greatcoat, or Mackinaw	1.
Pullovers	1.

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exceed:-

- | | |
|---|----|
| Jackets, Battle Dress, Dyed (or Coats wool) | 1. |
| Trousers, Battle Dress, Dyed (or Trousers wool) | 1. |
| Boots, pairs | 1. |
| Shirts, wool or cotton | 2. |
| Caps, wool | 1. |
| Drawers, wool or cotton | 2. |
| = Vests, wool or cotton | 2. |
| Socks, wool or cotton, pairs | 3. |
| Belts, waist web | 1. |
| // Greatcoat, or Mackinaw | 1. |
| // Pullovers | 1. |
| Comfortors (in lieu of 2 blankets) | 1. |

= One Pullover may be issued in lieu of two winter vests.

// Issuable only during Winter and to certain approved units.

3. Method of Demand.

- a) Italian Units will demand through normal Italian channels for items to complete authorised scale.
- b) Italian authorities will supply all items to the maximum extent possible from Italian sources. They will request IMIA for authority to issue from available Allied Stocks any authorised items which they are unable to supply from Italian sources.

c) Each demand for issue of items from Allied sources must be accompanied by a certificate from SMRE or the Italian Ministry of War that the needs cannot be furnished from available stocks from Italian sources.

4. Distribution and Issue.

a) Issues will be made as provided in Para 13 MIMA Adm Inst No. 3.

b) When items of uniform, boots, or other garments are issued to troops the corresponding items are to be withdrawn from troops and returned to Italian Depots. This is to be done regardless of whether items are of Allied or Italian origin.

5. Renovation and Repair.

a) Sorting, renovating and repair of clothing withdrawn from Troops is the responsibility of the Italian Military.

b) A Board of Officers authorised by MIMA and set up by the Italian Command will inspect and classify withdrawn items as follows:-

- i) Fit for Immediate Issue: These items are taken into stocks at Depots for re-issue.
- ii) Fit for use after renovation and repair; these items are re-conditioned under Italian arrangements and taken into stocks in the same manner as receipts from other sources.
- iii) Fit for use as repair material only. These items are used by Italian repair shops for repair purposes. No further accounting is required.

c) A report of each inspection by a Board of Officers will be sent to MIMA showing quantity and disposition of each item inspected.

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c) A report of each inspection by a Board of Officers will be sent to MIIA showing quantity and disposition of each item inspected.

d) Italian Military and Civilian repair facilities must be employed and increased to the maximum extent necessary to ensure prompt and proper repair of clothing and boots.

e) Repairing materials, tools and equipment available from local resources must be employed up to the maximum requirement. Requests for release of items controlled by ACC are to be made by Italian Authorities to

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f) Repairing materials not available from local resources are not:

(i) minor deficiencies - as provided in para. 4(c) MIIA Adm Inst No. 3.

(ii) major requirements - as provided in Para. 4(d) MIIA Adm Inst No. 3.

6. STOCK REPORTS

e) In addition to Monthly Summary required by Para 19a(iii) MIAA Adm Inst No. 3, an interim report showing stocks in each Depot or Sub Depot as at 10th of each month is required showing:-

- (i) Quantities on hand at start of period and receipts during period.
- (ii) Details of issues including names of Units and Formations to which issues were made.
- (iii) Stocks in Depots or Sub-Depots at close of period.
- b) Reports to Ministry of War to MIAA will show status of principal items of Italian clothing and equipment as at 25th of each month, and of issues made during the preceding monthly period.

7. ACCEPTANCE NOTES.

Acceptance notes are prepared and forwarded as required by Para 19(a) MIAA Adm Inst No. 3. All Acceptance notes must indicate source of origin as being either British or U.S., and place of origin as being outside this theatre (imported specifically for Italian Armed Forces) or within this theatre (from reconditioned or re-appropriated stocks).

8. FORECASTS - DEMANDS

No periodic Forecast or Request for clothing is at present required. Such Forecast and Request based upon existing stocks of Italian and Allied items in comparison with requirements and rate of wastage will be submitted to HQ, IAI when requested or as may be indicated.

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9. SUPERVISION.

a) Ordnance Branch AMIA maintains General Supervision of Italian clothing and equipment Depots and sub Depots. For this purpose Ordnance Officer Representatives and Detachments are stationed at Main Depots.

These Ordnance Officer Representatives, for their respective depots and sub-depots, direct the "supervisory duties" required by para. 16 AMIA Adm Inst No. 3, and conduct any additional supervision as directed by Ordnance Branch.

b) Transfers of Stocks between depots necessary to maintain balanced stocks and meet immediate or anticipated demands must be carefully supervised, and care taken that such inter-depot transactions are not confused with bulk issues or receipts.

(c) Compliance by Italian Depots and Italian formations with para's 4 and 5 of this Appendix must be thoroughly supervised by Ordnance Officer Representatives at Depots, by Italian Liaison Officers and other Representatives in the field.

(i) It must be ensured that all clothing and boots withdrawn from units in exchange for items issued are returned to Depots, and not retained by troops.

(ii) Activities of the Board of Officers who classify withdrawn items must be supervised and expedited.

(iii) Repair materials and critical tools must be kept available to fullest extent possible. Requests for items must be placed and expedited.

(iv) Operation of repair shops must be closely followed and any lag or avoidable inactivity promptly corrected.

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MEDICAL AND VETERINARY SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN ARMED FORCESDETAILED PROCEDURE1. DEPOTS

The Main Depot for the reception of medical (including veterinary) supplies provided from British sources will be at TARANTO. Supplies will be delivered and handed over for redistribution by Italian agencies under MIH control to the following Sub Depots :-

Bari	for Apulia	Catania	for Sicily
Naples	for Campania	Sanassi	for Sardinia
Catanzaro	for Calabria	Taranto (Navy)	for Navy

2. SCALES AND STOCKS

(a) Supplies are being provided on a scale of 46 tons per month per 100,000 troops. Expendible items will be provided in accordance with the equivalent scale for British units (A.F. I. 1248). Non-expendible items will be provided as needed on the recommendation of MIH.

(b) Holdings at Main Depot, Taranto.

One months supply at Main Depot for issue

One months supply at Main Depot in complete reserve

One months supply in transit from U.K.

One months demand on indent to U.K.

(c) Holdings in Italian Sub Depots and other medical units will be in accordance with the A.F. I. 1248 scale for the equivalent British unit.

2. SCALES AND STOCKS

(a) Supplies are being provided on a scale of 48 tons per month per 100,000 troops. Expendible items will be provided in accordance with the equivalent scale for British units (A.F. I. 1248). Non-expendible items will be provided as needed on the recommendation of MHA.

(b) Holdings at Main Depot, Taranto.

One months supply at Main Depot for issue

One months supply at Main Depot in complete reserve

One months supply in transit from U.K.

One months demand on indent to U.K.

(c) Holdings in Italian Sub Depots and other medical units will be in accordance with the A.F. I. 1248 scale for the equivalent British unit.

3. DEMANDS

(a) Demands for supplies from U.K. will be prepared by the British Liaison Staff at the Main Depot in consultation with the Italian Staff. Seven copies will be prepared using the British A.F. I. 1209 and six forwarded to MHA. Separate sheets will be used for each Section, items will be arranged in alphabetical order, numbered serially and include only those given in the official Priced List of Medical Equipment. Existing stocks will include "dues-in" and average monthly consumption will be given. Demands will be forwarded to MHA by the 5th of each month.

(b) Demands on Main Depot by Sub Depots (as in para 1) will be made through the Ministry of War to MIA by the 5th of each month in the same manner as laid down in para 3(a) above ('ques-in' are not required). 5 copies of A.F. I.1209 will be made out, 4 being forwarded to MIA.

4. STOCK RETURNS

(a) A quarterly stock-taking including Italian stocks of all expendible medical and veterinary supplies in Sub Depots will be made on the 25th March, June, September and December and sent through Ministry of War to MIA. (See Appendix "D", item 8.)

(b) Monthly summaries are not required (see para 19(a) of Standard Operating Procedure) other than as on the demand indent (see para 3 (b) above).

5. CAPTURED STOCKS.

Medical supplies and equipment from captured stocks will be dealt with in the same way as those from British sources, separate acceptance notes and shipping tickets will be used and marked "Captured Equipment".

6. DISINFECTANTS AND SIMILAR R.A.S.C. SUPPLIES.

- (a) These supplies will be provided from British sources on the scale as given below.
- (b) The supplies will not pass through the Main Medical Depot at Taranto, but will be drawn by Italian Medical Sub Depots (as in para 1) direct from RASC Base Depots as directed by MIA.
- (c) Scales of Supply. The maximum scales of provision and the basis

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5. CAPTURED STOCKS.

Medical supplies and equipment from captured stocks will be dealt with in the same way as those from British sources, separate acceptance notes and shipping tickets will be used and marked "Captured Equipment".

6. DISINFECTANTS AND SIMILAR R.A.S.C. SUPPLIES.

- (a) These supplies will be provided from British sources on the scale as given below.
- (b) The supplies will not pass through the Main Medical Depot at Taranto, but will be drawn by Italian Medical Sub Depots (as in para 4) direct from RASC Base Depots as directed by MIA.
- (c) Scales of Supply. The maximum scales of provision and the basis on which 30 days reserve to be held in Italian Sub Depots will be calculated as shown below.

Water Sterilising Powder	15 lbs	
Anti-Mosquito Cream	375 "	
Taste Remover Tablets	250 No.	Scale for 1,000 men
Fly Catchers	480 "	for 30 days subject
A.L. 63	20 lbs	to seasonal and local
Prepared Rat Bait	$\frac{1}{2}$ lb	conditions. 6720
Blocks Fumigating	4 No	
Anti Mosquito Spray	20 Gals	
Cresol	10 "	

Methylated Spirit 5 Gall
Malarial 30 "
Paris Green 14 lbs.

6. (d) Stock Returns. A return on which issues will be based showing existing stocks in the Italian Sub Depots as at 25th of each month will be prepared and passed through Medical Directorate, Ministry of War to MIA by the 5th of the following month (see Appendix 'D', item 7). MIA will notify Ministry of War of the amounts released and where collection will be made.

7. HOSPITAL DIETS

(a) Special foods for hospital patients will be provided from U.S. sources in addition to the normal ration.

(b) The following total amounts are available for hospital patients and are calculated for 30 days on an average daily expectation of 13,000 patients.

	<u>Total Amounts</u>	or	<u>100 men for 30 days</u>
Tinned Milk	18500 lbs		143 lbs
Rice	35100 lbs		270 lbs
Semolina or equivalent	9000 lbs		70 lbs
Margarine	31200 lbs		240 lbs
Meat extract	1560 lbs		12 lbs

(c) Maximum holding in any medical unit will not exceed a 30 day supply based on the average daily number of patients in hospital during the preceding month. Issues will be made on the signature of the O.C.

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(d) Further reference is made to these supplies in Appendix 'E'.

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JOINT COMMUNIQUE
AMERICAN AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS

The President and the Prime Minister held further discussions Monday and Tuesday, September 18th and 19th at Hyde Park on subjects dealing with postwar policies in Europe. The result of these discussions cannot be disclosed at this time for strategic military reasons and pending their consideration by our other Allies. The present problems in Italy also came under discussion and on this subject the President and the Prime Minister issued the following statement:

"The Italian people freed of their Fascist and Nazi overlordship have in these last twelve months demonstrated their will to be free to fight on the side of the democracies and to take a place among the United Nations devoted to principles of peace and justice. We believe we should give encouragement to those Italians who are standing for a political rebirth in Italy and are completing the destruction of the evil Fascist system. We wish to afford the Italians a greater opportunity to aid in the defeat of our common enemies. The American and the British people are of course horrified by the recent mob action in Rome but feel that a greater responsibility placed on the Italian people and on their own government will most readily prevent a recurrence of such acts. An increasing measure of control will be gradually handed over to the Italian administration subject of course to that administration's proving that it can maintain law and order and the regular administration of justice. To mark this change the Allied Control Commission will be renamed the Allied Commission. The British High Commissioner in Italy will assume the additional title of Ambassador. The United States Representative in Rome already holds that rank. The Italian Government will be invited to appoint direct representatives to Washington and London. First and immediate considerations in Italy are the relief of hunger and sickness and fear. To this end we instructed our representatives at the UNRRA conference to declare for the sending of medical aids and other essential supplies to Italy. We are happy to know that this view commended itself to other members of the UNRRA Council. At the same time first steps should be taken toward the reconstruction of an Italian economy. An economy laid low under the years of the misrule of Mussolini and ravished by the German policy of vengeful destruction. These steps should be taken primarily as military aims to put the full resources of Italy and the Italian people into the struggle to defeat Germany and Japan. For military reasons we should assist the Italians in the restoration of such power systems, their railways, motor transport roads and other communications as enter into the war situation and for a short time send engineers, technicians and industrial experts into Italy to help them in their own rehabilitation. The application to Italy of the Trading With The Enemy Acts should be modified so as to enable business contacts between Italy and the outside world to be resumed for the benefit of the Italian people. We all wish to speed the day when the last vestiges of Fascism in Italy will have been wiped out and when the last German will have left Italian soil and when there will be no need of any Allied troops to remain, the day when free elections can be held throughout Italy and when Italy can earn her proper place in the great family of free nations."

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Allied Armies in Italy,
C.M.F.
5063/3/A(PS)-

11 June 44.

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When Allied troops invaded ITALY in September 43, I issued a directive (15 Army Group signal MGA140 of 28 Sep. 43), regarding their behaviour towards the Italians. In brief, I said that their attitude should be correct but not familiar, as befitted the soldiers of a victorious Army entering a conquered country.

The time has come when I consider it desirable to modify this directive.

During the past eight months we have had valuable and sincere co-operation from the Italian armed forces and population in occupied ITALY. The people have had a hard time and have borne their lot well. Their combat troops have acquitted themselves well in the line, others have done good work in our bases and ports. Their Navy and Air Force have given important assistance.

ITALY has not yet been accorded the status of ally. It is not the policy of the Allied Governments that this status should be given to her yet. It is not, therefore, my wish that we should treat with the Italians on those terms of cordiality and familiarity which obtain between allies.

On the other hand I do consider that we should show sympathy for their difficulties and consideration for their legitimate needs. I have in mind, for example, such questions as the requisitioning of accommodation, in which our attitude in the past may perhaps, in some cases, have been dictated more by consideration of convenience than of military necessity. I also feel strongly that their troops who are fighting by the side of our own should be tre-

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In brief, while the Italian Government, troops and people co-operate with us in the defeat of Germany, I consider it to be proper and expedient that we should show them good-will without familiarity and consideration without weakness.

This document must not be circulated below Brigade, Regiment or equivalent H.Q., but commanders are requested to ensure that all officers serving under them are aware of my wishes and respect them.

(Signed) H.R. ALEXANDER
General,

Commander - in- Chief.

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Brig. Lusk**NF
also SF*

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17 May 1944

Subject: Consultation with Regional Commissioners on Matters of Policy.

To: Vice Presidents of Administrative Section, Economic Section and Political Section.

1. When considering matters of policy which affect the whole territory, such as the price of crops, wages, food prices, legislation, I wish Vice Presidents to ensure that the views of the Regional Commissioners are sought. Regional Commissioners after consultation with their staffs, administrative and technical, are in a better position than anyone in the field to advise Vice Presidents for they have a comprehensive responsibility, can weigh the value of the opinions given by various specialist officers in their regions, and should have a general and intimate knowledge of conditions in those Regions.

2. When for instance the price to be paid for a crop has to be fixed I should expect Regional Commissioners to be asked for their views in sufficient time for them to consult their Provincial Commissioners and technical officers. These views can then be considered by the Vice Presidents with their Sub-Commissions who will, of course, have obtained technical information from their representatives in the field.

3. The same procedure should be followed if important legislation is under consideration. Vice Presidents should not depend wholly on the technical advice of Sub-Commissions who are possibly not in a position to gauge the effect of their proposals in the Province.

4. Having obtained the Regional views and discussed them with their Sub-Commissions, Vice presidents should submit their final recommendations in writing to me, with copies to other Vice Presidents, in order that the matter may, if I so rule, be discussed at a Vice Presidents Meeting before my decision is made.

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE
Lieutenant General
Chief Commissioner

*Copy to: Brig. Lusk**2*

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23 March 1944

Subject: Educational Policies in Italy

To : Allied Force Headquarters, Military Government Section
APO 512 (Attention: Lt. Col. Henry Furman, Jr., Acting
Chief of Section)

1. References:

- a. Letter of 9 March 1944.
- b. Note from Mr. James G. Dunn referred to in (a) with the accompanying papers.
- c. Letter AFHQ, MSS, File MSS: 500, dated 17 March 1944.

2. Report as required was sent 25 February 1944 as promised by cable cited PARO 1288 of 24 February 1944.

3. Copy of same report re-dispatched 18 March 1944 (copy attached).

4. Supplemental report dispatched 18 March 1944 (copy attached).

5. These reports are summarized:

a. That the education sub-commission has endeavored to pursue a policy of scrupulous fairness to the Catholic Church and that this policy has been approved by eminent church authorities on the ground, including Cardinal Levitrano of Palermo, the Archbishop Ballo of Masara del Valle, Father Gliozzo of the Society of Jesus, and Cardinal Acciaresi of Naples. (A single incident in Sicily which disturbed certain church authorities was settled to their own satisfaction.)

b. That this policy was accepted and has been and is being furthered by British and American officers with identity of viewpoint as touching the educational rights of the Church in a predominantly Catholic country, and with common determination to observe these rights defined by the prevailing treaty and concordat.

c. That the change of educational leadership from Lt. Col. Gayre (B) to Lt. Col. T. V. Smith (A) has not changed the policy or the direction of effort accepted by both and furthered by them both in entire accord.

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d. That there is no justification for discrimination between the policies of American and British educational officers and that there is no ground for apprehension regarding our policy toward the church in Italian education under Allied military government. I regard the insinuations that the policy of one of my sub-commissions is affected by the nationality of its chief or members with regret and resentment. All the responsible members of the A.C.C. work together as an Allied team. That is their task and that is what they strive to do.

NOEL MARION MACFARLANE
 Lieutenant General
 Chief Commissioner

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