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RATIONS FOR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
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Rations for Italia 12 Goverment.

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10) G-4 114	G-4 - A.C.C.	15 JULY	C.S.O TO A/CC	ENCL. NO. 8. PLEASE STAFF MARKED NOT INVOLVED.
11) G-4/114	G-4 - A.C.C.	17 JULY	UND. SEC. OF STATE	ASKS FOR REPLY TO NO. 7.
12) ARI/421.2/DCAO BRIG. HAMBLIN. DCAO	BRIG. HAMBLIN. DCAO	24 JULY	HQ. ACC.	PLEASE STATE N° OF INDIVS. INVOLVED UNDER MY RE. NO. 8.
13) PRES/COD M. 10908/10720 1/2/44	BONOMI	25 JULY 44	CPT. STONE	IN REPLY TO RE. NO. 7. NUMBER EXPECTED TO BE AROUND 6 TO 7 THOUSAND.
14) HQ. ARI. 1025/Q.	CH. ADMIN. OFFICER	30 JULY 44	G-4 HQ. ACC.	MILITARY RATIONS FOR BADOGGLIO'S STAFF
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16) A/CC 091.1	COL DENSMORE	1 AUG. 44	BRIG. LUSH, MR. COL. O'Dwyer	COMMITTEE OF BRIG. LUSH, COL. DENSMORE & COL O'Dwyer TO CONSIDER REQUEST OF ITAL. GOVT. RE. 13.
17) ES/422 R	COL O'Dwyer	4 AUG	A/CC	RATIONS FOR ITAL. GOVT. OFFICIALS. RE. 13.
18) G-4/114	G-4 ACC	17 "	ASO TO A/CC	ARI PRESSING FOR REPLY TO 12
19) A/CC 091.1	CAPT. STONE	26 "	BONOMI	RE. 13. SUGGEST DISTURBANCES POSSIBLE IF RATIONS GIVEN ONLY TO MINISTER, ETC.

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A/CC 091.1

26 August 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

This is in reference to your letter 11905/10700-1/3.1 of 25 July 1944 relative to the issuance of Allied military rations to all persons of the Italian Central Administration, who are really in need, estimated by you to be some six or seven thousand.

It is unfortunate that this matter was not settled prior to the transfer of the government from Salerno to Rome. Subsequent to my letter of 27 June to you on this matter and prior to receipt of your letter of 25 July, the Allied Military Authorities, after pressing us for an answer, which we were unable to give, arrived at a decision "that the only members of the Italian Government who will be issued with rations will be the Ministers and their Under Secretaries".

I appreciate that it is the several thousand people who are really in need, and not the Ministers and their Under Secretaries, for whom you feel consideration should be given. The Salerno situation with respect to rations for Central Administration employees was somewhat different from the present situation. There an effort was being made to protect the food supply of a relatively small community and to assist people most of whom had no established contacts or homes in that area.

It is suggested that there doubtless would be criticism of your government and the Allied Authorities on the ground of favoritism of Central Administration employees and discrimination against a much larger number of unfortunate people outside the Central Administration, who are similarly situated, if it were possible to issue several thousand rations to government employees only. It is possible that the political reaction would be undesirable if rations were furnished only to Ministers and their Under Secretaries.

It seems to me the answer to this problem lies in increasing the amount of food available for all inhabitants of Rome—a problem on which, as you know, we are diligently working and with some degree of success.

Do you concur that I should inform the Military Authorities that issuance of rations to Ministers and their Under Secretaries is not desired and that the matter of special rations for the Italian Central

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administration may be considered closed?

Yours very truly,

MILROY H. SMITH
Captain, USMC
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi
The President of Council of Ministers
Italian Government

cc: M.Y. (B)
Political Sec.
Economic Sec.
R.C.M.W. Sec.
Admiral Sec.

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Mr. A. C. Smith Sec.
D. A. P. G. C. H. D.
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Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner

A/CC 091.1

18 August 1944

Vice Presidents.

1. RC & MG Section 9
2. Economic Section)
3. Admin Section) IN TURN
4. Political Sect.)

Re attached draft of ltr A/CC 091.1 relative "Rations for Italian Government.
For concurrence (bottom page 2) or comments.

Stone.

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Draft Ltr A/CC 091.1

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HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 OFFICE OF G-4
 APO 394

G4/114

17 August 1944

SUBJECT : Rations.

TO : Chief Staff Officer to Acting Chief Commissioner.

Reference A.A.I. letter AAI/421.2/DCAO dated 24 July 1944 forwarded to you for action on the 28th July under cover my G4/114 dated 28 July 1944.

Today a reminder has been received from A.A.I. stating the information is very urgently required.

Would you kindly direct to A.A.I. giving the required information with a copy to this Branch.

S.W. MILLER.
 Lieutenant-Colonel,
 G-4

Copies to : HQ AAI (your AAI/421.2G/DCAO of 12 August 44 refers.)
 Food Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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Tel : 307

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4 August 1944

SUBJECT: Rations for Italian Government Officials
TO : Acting Chief Commissioner

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1. Reference 10908/10720 1/3.1 dated 25 Jul 44 in which Prime Minister Bonomi asks you to consider making available additional rations for six or seven thousand employees of the government's central administration.
2. The only existing authorities for the issue of rations to Italian Government employees, at a higher scale than the normal civilian basic ration, are as follows:-

 - a. AA1, 1025/1/1 dated 11 Jul 44 as amended by AA1A, AQ 1719 dated 21 Jul 44 which authorised the issue on repayment, of Italian Army Scale Rations, to Ministers and Under-Secretaries, and,
 - b. Army Sub-Commission AQ/2 dated 23 Jun 44 which authorised the daily issue up to 1300 Italian Army Rations for officials of the Ministry of War including civilian executive officials of officers' status, at the present time 22 in number.

3. Any additional rations issued to government employees would come from the limited stocks available for the civilian population. There is no economic justification for such preferential treatment. The overall Italian supply situation is extremely critical at the present time and I do not consider that the Italian Government should seek to obtain preferential treatment for government employees which would only accentuate the serious situation.

WILLIAM O'Dwyer
Colonel, A.C.
Vice President
Economic Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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A/GC 091.

1 August 1944

MEMORANDUM Re Rations, Italian Government

TO: Brigadier Lush
Colonel O'Dwyer

1. For your information attached are:
- a. Copy ltr 75 A.I., HQ Adm Sch, 4 Jan 44, subject: "Rationing of the Italian Government."
 - b. Copy ltr 87258 of 20 June 44 from Chief of Cabinet showing Italian Government ration requirements at Salerno.
 - c. Extract from ltr A/GC 091.1 of 27 June from Acting Chief Commissioner to H.E. Ivanoe Bonomi.
 - d. Copy ltr 10235/1/A.I., HQ AAI, 11 July, to HQ A/GC
 - e. Copy ltr 421.2/DCAO, HQ AAI Adm Sch, 24 July 44
 - f. Copy ltr N 10906/10720 1/3.1, July 25, from H.E. Ivanoe Bonomi to Acting Chief Commissioner.
2. At Vice Presidents' meeting 31 July the Acting Chief Commissioner directed that a committee consisting of Brigadier Lush, Colonel O'Dwyer, and Colonel Bonomaro consider request of Italian Government in reference to f. and submit recommendation.
3. The Acting Chief Commissioner suggested that in any event he would not favor recommending to AAI the issue of more rations than were issued at Salerno.
4. It is suggested that both Brigadier Lush and Colonel O'Dwyer will desire to receive comments and suggestions from certain branches and sub-commissions. This memo has been prepared in order to provide background information.
5. It is further suggested that the Executive Commissioner ~~call~~^{call} meeting of the committee early this week so that a recommendation ~~can~~^{can} be made.

Submitted,

L. D. BRIGGINS
Colonel, Sig C
Chief Staff Officer

6 Incis. per para 1.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
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21 July 1944

SUBJECT: Rations.

TO : Chief Staff Officer to Acting Chief Commissioner,
Headquarters Command.

Reference this office letter of even number dated 20 July 44.

Herewith two copies of E.C.A.C.C. authority for issue of rations
from British sources to Marshal Badoglio and his staff on the Italian
Military combat scale.

D. F. MELLER
Lieut.-Colonel.
G-4

plus H.A.P.D.
P.D.

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C O P YSUBJ/OT: Issue of RationsCONFIDENTIALHQ, AAI
CMV
1025/QG-4 Section
HQ AGO30 July 44

1. In confirmation of verbal request, it is agreed that MARSHAL DADOGLIO and his staff (12 officers and 1 other rank) may receive the Italian Military Scale of rations in force from time to time.
2. These rations will be drawn by you from ROME AREA.

signed: A.W. JOHN
Major
for: Major General
Chief Administrative Officer 40

J.D.

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TRANSLATION

THE PRESIDENT
OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

No 10906/10720 1/1.1

Rome, July 25th 1944

Dear Admiral Stone,

Thank you very much for your kind information, and for the interest you have shown for the settlement of the question of the number of rations assigned the civilian personnel of the Government, when the said Government was out of Rome.

Nevertheless, I must draw your attention to the fact that the Allied stores, to which your letter of the 27th instant, was delivered, declared that they could not distribute more than thirteen hundred rations as long as they had no orders from the A.A.I., so that during the last days of our stay in Salerno, the number of daily rations distributed was about 200 short.

As you are giving me the opportunity of doing so, I must also say, my dear Admiral, that the first days of the sojourn in Rome of the central Administrations have made still more obvious the necessity of keeping the concession of the rations already settled by the Allied when the Government was transferred from Brindisi to Salerno.

In truth, many of the functionaries who have been brought from this last city have no relations here, while the food problem is much worse here than anywhere else, and the means of the employees of the Government have generally diminished, for they are not getting anymore the special indemnity due to them as long as they were working out of their usual place of residence.

The trouble is not limited to the employees who have been transferred from Salerno, the situation of the personnel already living in Rome is by no means less serious. Consideration must also be taken of the privations they suffered from during the German domination.

Therefore, and for reasons of justice, I think it would be necessary to give food rations to all persons depending from the central Administrations, who are really in need. The residency of the Council is gathering full particulars about this personnel, and I am not yet able to tell you the exact number of rations needed. I think nevertheless, that it will be about six or seven thousand considering that many employees, to resist Nazi-fascist pressure, which lasted for several months, have been forced to sell their linen and household goods, or to run into serious debts, and are now consequently in a state of dire poverty.

In this figure - in spite of the above mentioned considerations - should prove to high for the number of rations that the Allied Authorities can spare for this aim, I could, to my great regret, diminish the number of persons to whom this favour is to be granted. In such a case, I should like to know now the maximum number of daily rations that I can count on.

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Rec'd J.

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As for the Antuori case, which is referred to in the last part of your letter of June 7th, I can tell you that even if this employee had been taken as not on the establishment, he could not have a salary which amounts to more than 2000 lire a month, including rises and additions. I want to add that it has never been the custom in the Ministries to give gratuitous meals in addition to the salary.

The civilian personnel of every category, depending from the Central Administration, had organized messes in Salerno. Generally, every customer paid daily a basic sum of 10 lire (Table expenses), with the addition of 16 lire, daily also, for bettering the food.

To share this advantage, the personnel was nevertheless obliged to give his food tickets, to prevent their buying any rationed food on the market in addition to the ration which was distributed by the allied stores.

Trusting that this petition will as usual meet with your kind comprehension I thank you in advance and remain,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Ivano Bonomi

ADMIRAL RALPH E. STONE

Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
 Administrative Echelon
 APO 400

AAI/421.2/DCAO

ALH/rjs
 24 July 1944

SUBJECT: Rations for Italian Government.

TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army.

Further to 1025/1/Q1, above subject, 11 July 1944.

Will you please state the number of individuals involved at present, the probable ceiling, and the locations (town, city or community) of these individuals. This information is required to assure that proper rations are available at the proper times and places, to regularize the issues and to assure that no unauthorized issues are made.

Signed: A.L.HAMBLIN
 Brigadier General, U.S.A.
 DCAO

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
AFCO 394

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17 July

SUBJECT: Military Rations for Civil Officers.

TO : The Under Secretary of State
Professor Antonio Pesenti, (for Ministry of Finance)

I have to refer to your letter of 1/7/44 containing a request for Military rations for some 60 Civil Officers belonging to the Ministry of Finance.

The Acting Chief Commissioner A.C.C. has already corresponded with your Prime Minister on this subject, vide his letter A/CC 091, 1 of 27 June 44, to which a reply to the last paragraph is still awaited.

S.W.MILLER
Lieut. Colonel.
G.4.

Copy to Colonel Demmora, Chief Staff Officer to Acting Chief Commission

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GSI
APO 294

15 July

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SUBJECT : RATIONS FOR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

TO : Chief Staff Officer to Acting Chief Commissioner.

The enclosed is copy of letter today received from H.Q., A.C.I.
If the Government wish to take advantage of this arrangement may
they be asked to state approximate numbers involved.

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S.W. MILLER
Lieut-Colonel,
G-S

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5 JUL 1944

SEE AAI LETTER 1025/Q1 of 27 JUNE. SUBJECT RATIONS FOR COMMANDO SUPREMO.
INFORMATION HERE COMMANDO SUPREMO IN SALERNO AND DRAWING M RATIONS THERE.
IF NOT DRAWING RATIONS IN SALERNO AUTHORITY SHOULD BE CANCELLED OTHERWISE
DUPLICATE ISSUE RESULTS

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SUBJECT:- Rations for Italian Government.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
1025/1/44

RE ALIEN CONTROL COMMISSION12 JUL 44

Reference your S-4/111 dated 22 Jun 44.

1. It has been decided by this H.Q. that the only members of the Italian Government who will be issued with rations will be the Ministers and their Under Secretaries.
2. These members will be issued with rations on the Italian Military Combat scale as laid down in HQ A&I Administrative Instruction No. 3 dated 19 March 44 which will be drawn from British sources at present. Compensating supplies will not be drawn from Italian Depots.
3. All other officials of the Government as given in the Cabinet letter No. 7258 of Prot. dated 26 June 1944 attached to your above quoted letter will in no circumstances be supplied on British rations, but will draw civilian rations through normal civilian channels.
4. These instructions will take effect as from date of receipt of this letter.

(sgd).

Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Copy to:- H.Q. No. 3 District.
Army Sub-Commission AGO
Food Sub-Commission
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27 June 1944

Dear Prime Minister:

28 JUN 1944
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This is in connection with the matter of rations for personnel of the Italian Government.

In reply to Marshal Badoglio's letter of 16 June 1944, please be informed that arrangements have been made for the continuance of the issue of rations during the period the Government is located at Salerno. The original arrangement authorized a maximum issue of 1200 rations. It has now been provided whereby up to 1500 rations can be drawn to cover the requirements.

The Commission is in receipt of a letter from the Commander of 94th Sub Area through Headquarters AAI to the effect that 94th Sub Area has, during the last few months, lost a number of clerks, who according to other clerks now working for the Sub Area, are now employed by certain Italian Ministries in Salerno.

One former employee, Raffaele Autuori, stated that he left the Sub Area for the purpose of working in a Ministry where he now gets 2,500 lire per month with two meals daily, plus five cigarettes per day at a cost of 27 lire. The letter from 94th Sub Area further states that their information comes solely from civilian sources and may not be accurate. It is pointed out, however, that the competitive situation, as far as the Sub Area is concerned, is difficult as clerks are a vital part of the organization.

It is not known whether or not there is any decrease in the civilian ration of the Italian Government clerks involved, when they receive the two free meals, or whether there is any monthly stoppage of pay apart from the 27 lire per day.

It will be appreciated if this matter can be investigated and information given upon which a reply can be made to the military authorities.

Will you also inform me whether or not the Government intends to request rations for certain of the civilian personnel of the Italian Government after it has been established in Rome, and if so number of rations required.

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ELROY W. STONE
Captain, USMC
Acting Chief Commissioner

H.E. Ivanoe Bonomi
President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Deputy Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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SCC 091.1

21 June 1944

SUBJECT: rationing of the Italian Government

21 JUN 1944

TO : R.C. & M.G. Section, Main Hq ACC
(Attention: G-4, Capt. V. H. Haslam)

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1. Reference is made to letter, Hq ACC, Adv Adm Sec, CMP, 75 v.l., 4 Jan 44, above subject, wherein authority was granted for supplying the Italian Government in the Salerno area with rations.

2. Recently you called attention to the fact that the number of rations drawn by the Italian Government had increased to approximately 200. This matter has been taken up with the Italian Government and attached is translation of letter from the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, No. 7258 of Prot., 20 June 1944, which explains how the rations were drawn and that since June 11th, in light of clarification of instructions, rations amounting to between 1300 and 1500 are required and are being drawn.

3. It would appear that the matter has been clarified and it will be appreciated if it can be laid on with AAI that the Italian Government in the Salerno area be permitted to draw up to 1500 rations.

For the Deputy Chief Commissioner:

1 Incl:
as in para 2 above

L. D. DISMURSE
Colonel, Sig C
CSO

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PRIMACY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Cabinet

No. 7258 of Prot.

Salerno, 20 June 1944

To: Captain Ellery A. Stone, USA
Allied Control Commission.

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I have the honor of communicating to you the information requested in your letter dated 7 June.

On 1 February 1944 200 rations were drawn. At the end of the same month the number rose to 1400, and on 31 March to 1750 rations. The number rose to 2200 at the end of April and finally to 2400 in the course of the month of May.

In the figures listed above are included the soldiers (officers non-commissioned officers, and troops) under the command of the 2nd Company of the Independent Ministerial Unit (Reparto Autonomo Ministriale), with offices in Salerno.

Since 11 June, however, following the clarifications furnished us by the Control Commission and the particularizations communicated by the Ministry of War, those belonging to this unit have no longer been included in the drawing of supplies for the civilian personnel of the government.

Hence from the above data, as the attached table shows, about 1400 rations have been drawn daily for the entire Central Administration.

I have reason to make the reservation that as long as the government is located at Salerno, this number might vary between 1300 and 1500 rations at the most.

The personnel for whom rations are drawn belong to the following categories:

- a. Members of the government (Ministers & undersecretaries)
- b. Employees of Group (a) (Officials possessing a university degree or its equivalent)
- c. Employees of Group (b) (Clerks & employees, in general, in possession of a diploma from a superior technical high-school, "Istituto tecnico superiore").

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- d. Employees of Group (a) (ordinary employees, file clerks, attached clerks, typists)
- e. Common employees (porters, messengers, doormen)

I extend to you my cordial greetings and thank you for your kind interest.

/s/ Illegible
THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Trans - Sgt. Shenfield/lws.

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TRATTAMENTI EFFETTUATI DAL GOVERNO ITALIANO PER GLI ALBERI

DEL 15 GENNAIO 1947.

	Razioni mag ca "Circolo del la Spesa"	Razioni pro tevute in entare
Ministero Agricoltura e Foresta	82	16
" Comunicazioni	10	11
" " PP. M.	--	30
Pubblica Istruzione	50	22
Finanza	94	21
Giustizia e Giustizia	106	33
Interni	--	12
Esteri	36	7
Cultura Popolare	10	4
Africa Italiana	--	2
" Lavori Pubblici	72	13
Presidente Consiglio Ministri	50	---
Segreteria Particolare Capo Governo "Albergo Impero"	--	---
" " " Villa Ricciardi"	--	---
Ministero Industria e Comercio	--	---
Ministero Rioni Caso	--	---
Totali	500	223

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RAVIMENTI APPROVATI DAL GOVERNO ITALIANO PERICO GLI ALLEGATI ALLA DATA

DEL 15 GENNAIO 1941.

Ravimenti inviati da "Circolo del la Stessa"	Ravimenti inviati in internazionale	Ravimenti inviati ne Autonome	TOTALE
82	16	—	98
10	11	68	89
—	20	23	53
30	22	—	72
94	21	36	153
106	33	—	139
—	44	23	267
26	7	46	77
10	4	—	14
—	—	48	48
72	22	10	104
50	13	—	63
"Urgo Impero" "U. Ricciardi"	—	15	15
—	—	15	15
—	—	170	170
—	—	23	23
Totali	500	223	1400

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16 June 1945
GTO

Salerno, 16 June 1945.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Dear General MacFarlane,

Certainly, you will remember that one of the most grave difficulties in the transfer of the royal government from Brindisi to Salerno--that of feeding the ministerial personnel--was overcome only by the grace of a friendly gesture on the part of the Allied Authorities. Giving proof of generous understanding also in these circumstances, they authorized the withdrawal of daily rations from their own warehouses for the members of the Italian Government, for the officials and for the civilian employees of the various departments.

In executing this authorization, the food for the civilian personnel was withdrawn until a few days ago by the command of the 2nd Company of the Reparto Autonomo Ministeriale and subsequently--following suggestions of the appropriate Allied Authorities--by the appropriate Commission established for the administration of the inter-ministerial mess; so that, at the present time we are keeping the debit account of the different sources of provisions concerning the feeding of the Italian Armed Forces with respect to the concession which pertains to the civilian employees of the Central Administration.

While the Royal Government believes that all obstacles have been removed to prevent the continuation of the Allied supplies and that the question has been clarified thus, we learn that the offices of the AGO are preparing to issue a provision to revoke the concession of food to the civilian personnel of the ministries.

In view of the particular delicateness of the situation, I consider it my duty, dear General, to call your personal attention to the matter so that the competent allied organs keep in mind the grave difficulties under which the employees of the Central administration would find themselves should such an abrupt suspension of provisions come about. These provisions cannot be substituted with the present modest local resources. This would provoke dangerous repercussions in the operation of the administrative activity and would certainly place the ministries in a critical situation.

I am certain that your authoritative intervention will discourage the adoption of such a displeasing provision and I express to you in advance my sincerest thanks.

cordial greetings.

/s/ BADIGLIO

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Dear Dr. Morelli:

This is in further reference to your letter No. 6164 Pres. Cons. of 5 June relative to rations for the Italian government. I am sure your statement sets forth the situation but in order to present the matter to AAI it would be helpful if you could supply us with more detail.

It would be appreciated if you would indicate by departments of the government the number of rations drawn (a) at about 15 January and (b) at present. Would you also indicate by general statement for whom the rations are drawn—that is, officials, secretaries, clerks, stenographers, typists, etc. You, of course, understand that members of the Italian military forces are not to be counted under the governmental authorization.

I am sorry to bother you further with this matter.

Yours very truly,

ELIAS Y. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

Dr. Renato Morelli
Undersecretary of State for the
Presidency of Council of Ministers
Italian Government

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TRANSLATIONPRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
Cabinet

Prot. No. 6164 Pres. Cons.

Salerno, 5 June 1944

Expressly for: The Allied Control Commission

Colonel Densmore, of the Allied Control Commission, has brought to the attention of Dr. Montanari, of the Private Secretariat of His Excellency the President of the Council, that the number of those eating at the Ministerial Mess has risen from 1200 to about 2200 persons, and has asked for an explanation.

We wish to make it known that the small original nucleus of personnel in service with the Central Administration has been successively increased by the addition of numerous officials and employees of the State who had been widely dispersed and who have again taken up their positions, not to mention the reconstitution of the Italian Government in the liberated territories.

For these reasons the increase in the number of those attending the government's mess is in relation to the reentry of personnel into the regular administration.

THE UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE

/s/ R. Morelli

Trans - Sgt Shenfield/lvs

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SUBJ T:- Rationing of the Italian Government.

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4 Jan 44

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ST No. 2 District
HQS (Adv)
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Authority is given for the issue of rations from British stocks to the Italian Government to the Salerno Area. *

The scale to be issued will be the combat scale shown in Appx. "A" to this HQ letter 25/0 of 1/ Dec 43 as amended from time to time.

The numbers concerned are estimated to be 600 in the initial stage rising to 1,200 eventually. Issues will be made in bulk under arrangements to be made by 94 Sub Area who will deal direct with HQ AGO SALERNO concerning all details in connection with the rationing of the Italian Government.

Brigadier,
DCMG,

* This authority was afterwards extended to NAPLES area.

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