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MINE CLEARANCE, GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE
JULY - SEPT. 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394
P.O. 4.U. DIVISION

PR/ENG/ 900.2

7 September 1945

TO : Local Government Sub Commission
(Att. Col. Cripps)

1. Forwarded is the monthly mine removal report from Piemonte Region.
2. Information is requested as to what steps can be taken towards the repair of the truck rented through the autotransport pool as operated by the Transportation Section and wrecked thru no fault of the owner by a mine.

C.R. Burdett

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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14 SEP 1945

Ref DER/5/A

13 Sep 45

SUBJECT : Italian Military Personnel

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission

- 1 Military Personnel within the 6,000 Ceiling are required as follows:

<u>Displaced Persons S/C</u>	0	QRs
Combat Troops	44	420
APC units	105	915
<u>Italian PW S/C</u>		
Present strength	264	1141
Still required	114	1010
<u>Mine Clearance Br.</u>		
4 Coys	32	804
	559	4290
		559
		4849

- 2 The original returns of the Sub-Commissions are attached. Will you please take up any queries direct with them.

White
S.H. WHITE, Lt Col,
CSO CA Sec.

Copy to : Local Govt S/O
DER S/C
IPW Division

*Bid by Mines Clearance
for 4 Coys. was cancelled.*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53/2/IG

17 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : A.F.H.Q. (G-5).

1. Your letter with relative enclosures (G-5:386) of 6 Sep 45 is acknowledged.

2. Enquiries have been made at Signora BARDELLONI via Candia 65 Rome concerning the property of Sig.ra Bardelloni at MARINO, Vicolo dell'Archetto No.3, near Rome. These enquiries were not satisfactory as the lady had no knowledge of any mines and seemed to think there were none.

3. As however the property is in Italian Government territory the papers have been forwarded to the Ministry of War for investigation and report.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

R.R.
R.R. CRIEPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

17 Sep 45

Subject: Mine Clearance

To : Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
ROME

1. It has been reported to this HQ through the American War Department that there are mines in a property belonging to Sig.ra Bardelloni at MARINO Vicolo dell'Archetto No.3.

2. The son of the above named lady is now an American citizen and desires if possible to help his mother by having the mines cleared. A daughter of Sig.ra Bardelloni lives at Via Candia 65, Rome, and enquiries have been made with a view of finding out if there are mines at her mother's property in Marino. She was unable to help or give any information that might suggest there are mines on her mother's property.

3. It will therefore be obliging if you will arrange for an officer or mine clearing expert to visit Sig.ra Bardelloni's property at MARINO, Vicolo dell'Archetto No.3 and to report whether there are mines or not.

R.R. CRIFFS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 194
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

18 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA).

Reference is made to AFHQ (G-5) letter G-5:091.711.1
Italy of 3 Sep and to Inter Office Memo from Executive Commis-
sioner's Office 1001/45/EC dated 13 Sep 45 copy to you.

Attached is a copy of this Sub Commission's reply.
Please return the draft and say if you are in agreement.


R. B. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosure

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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14 SEP 1945

Office of the Executive Commissioner

14 SEP 1945

Ref: 1009/45/EC

13 September 1945

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

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TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. Attached please find copy of letter G-5: 091.711-1 Italy dated 9 September 1945 from AFHQ, G-5.
2. In accordance with paragraph 4, would you please have a reply prepared for the Chief Commissioner's signature.

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

Copy to: Land Forces S.C. (M&IA)
(who are requested to forward their views to C.A. Sec., copy to this office, for inclusion in reply in accordance with para 4 of enclosed letter)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 091.711-1 Italy

9 September 1945

SUBJECT: Responsibility for Mine Clearance

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

Ref. your 1009/39/EC of 5 September 1945.

1. As soon as the Italian Army has been made the responsibility of the Italian Government and when Northern Italian Territories (except Udine and Venezia Giulia) have been handed over to Italian jurisdiction it is considered that mine clearance will be a responsibility which will devolve entirely upon the Italian authorities. The decision as to whether mine clearance should be done by military or civil agencies should therefore be that of the Italian Government.

2. The provision of technical equipment for use by the Italian authorities in connection with mine clearance would appear to be the only activity in which the Allied Commission should concern itself. At the moment a reply from the CCS to the requisition contained in LAC Airgram 134 of 10 August is awaited. Should this requisition be approved, the equipment to be provided should be turned over to the Italian authorities under normal supply procedures.

3. Any further requests for mine clearance equipment could be handled either as items of civil supply through normal civil supply channels, or as items of military supply through MNIA.

4. Request your comments on the foregoing and in particular your recommendations in respect of para 3 above. Please also include the views of MNIA.

(sgd) A. L. Hamblen
A. L. HAMBLEN
Brigadier General, GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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Local Govt S/c
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G-5: 386

6 September 1945

SUBJECT: Removal of Mines from private property

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

Reference the enclosed correspondence, forwarded by the War Department.

1. It is requested that a report be furnished on the condition of the property of Signora Rosa Bardelloni for onward transmission to the War Department.

2. It would be appreciated if a note could be made detailing any action taken or likely to be taken for the removal of mines from the property.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

Encls:
Copy of basic ltr
17 Jul w/3 indorsements
& enclosures.

C. O. Benson
C. O. BENSON
Major, R.A.



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2d Ind to Ltr fr Waldo Bardelloni, 828th Ades Ave, Bronx, N.Y. 67,
N.Y., dated 6 July 1945.

AG 476/882 E-0

2d Ind

HEADQUARTERS MTCUSA, APO 512, 13 August 1945.

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

Request the name of the lady and the address and location of the
property referred to in Mr. Bardelloni's letter be furnished.

FOR THE THEATER COMMANDER:

1 Incl
n/c

Edmund R. Shugart
EDMUND R. SHUGART
Colonel, AGC
Asst Adjutant General

SUBJECT: Removal of mines from property near Rome

AGOB-C 095 Bardelloni, Waldo
(6 Jul 45)

3rd Ind

MHB/aac/10 863

WD, AGO, Washington 25, D. C., 30 August 1945

TO: Commanding General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, APO 512,
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

Attention is invited to the inclosed letter from Mr. Bardelloni
dated 27 August 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

2 Incls

Added 1 incl

2. Ltr 27 Aug 45 fr

Mr. Waldo Bardelloni

H. R. Hickman
Adjutant General

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SUBJECT: Removal of mines from property near Rome

AGOB-C 095 Bardelloni, Waldo
(6 Jul 45)

1st Ind.

MB/LD 860

War Department, AGO, Washington 25, D. C., 17 July 1945

TO: Commanding General, U.S.A.F., Mediterranean Theater of Operations,
APO 512, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

For such action as may be deemed appropriate.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

Edward Mark

Adjutant General

1 Inclosure
Cy. ltr. to
Mr. Waldo Bardelloni

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AGOB-C 095 Bardelloni,
Waldo (6 Jul 45)

17 July 1945

Mr. Waldo Bardelloni
829 Adeo Avenue
Bronx, New York 67, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Bardelloni:

The Secretary of War has asked me to reply to your letter of 6 July 1945, concerning the removal of mines from your Mother's property near Rome.

Your letter has been forwarded to the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, for his consideration.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General
By:

COPY FOR: Commanding General, U.S.A.F., Mediterranean Theater
of Operations, w/correspondence

Operations Branch, AGO

Ext. 2053

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to Mr. Stimpson
Secretary of War
Washington D.C.

6-8-45
New York City
1945 JUL 9

My Dear Mr. Stimpson

My Mother in Rome write
me that she is in precarious con-
dition, because her property near
by Rome, the Germans have
first cuts all the vines and then
ruined all the land, and she
cannot go near there for 3 years.

I wish I could help her,
if there is any possible way I can
do it.

My only hope is, that you
possibly know if the allied
military authority have any
available facilities in Rome

to facilitate the removal of
those mines, to help in some way
to rehabilitate those unfortunate
people to regain their livelihood.

I beg to forgive me if I
have dared abuse your valuable
time in my search to be of help
to my Mother.

I would appreciate
very deeply if you could advise
me how I can direct my Mother
remove those mines from her
vineyard.

I'm obligingly

Yours, Waldo

Bardelloni

829 Adlee ave

Bronx 67
New York City

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OK y. 27 August 45.

Referring to: AGOB-C 095
Bardelloni Waldo (6 July 45)

OB-C-158

Mr Edward F. Mitsell
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General.

Dear Sir.

I have your letter of the
21 of August 45. of which I am very
grateful to you.

My mother name is: Rosa
Bardelloni. She live in Marino
Vicolo dell'archetto N. 3, about 10,
ten, miles from Rome.

However my sister lives in
Rome proper. Her name is, Lida

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Please accept my ^{deepest} ~~deepest~~ and
sincere thanks to you

I am Sincerely Yours

Waldo Bardelloni

829 Ades Ave Bronx 67

New York City

Bandoloni, and reside in Via Claudia
N° 65, Roma.

I am sure she will be very glad
to take anyone to my Mother and
to the property

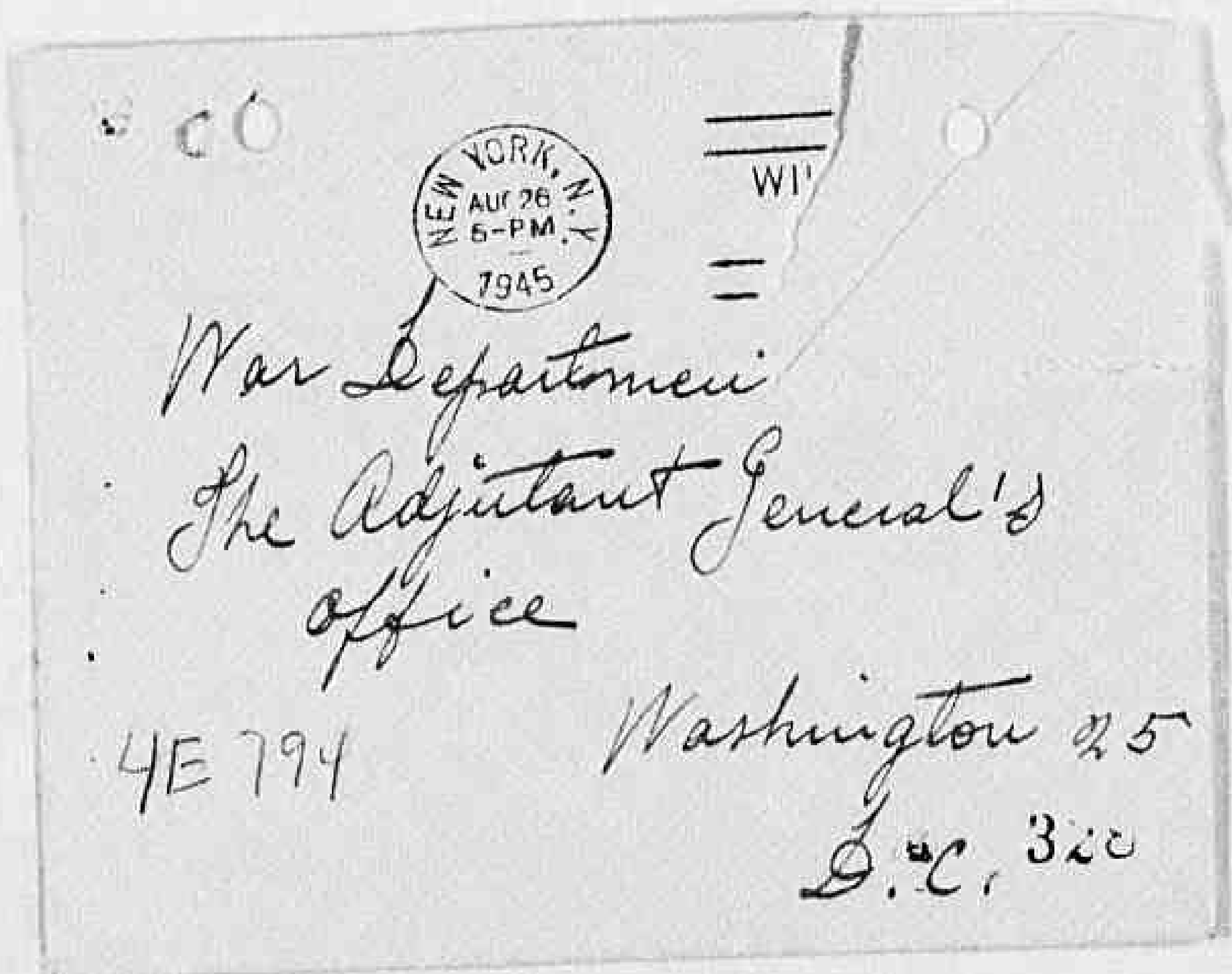
The property must be near Via
Appia, possibly near Genzano di
Roma. I am not sure as my Mother
got it after I came in this Country
over 30 years ago. It's so long ago to seem
a dream that I ever was over there, it ~~is~~
has faded way every year more and
more, as more and more I became
American. but the love of my Mother
became stronger and stronger with
the passing of the time

Maybe mama is a spark of
God's Divinity in the World that impell
us humbly to her Veneration

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Waldo Bardelloni
829 Adce ave Bronx NY
N.Y.C.

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To Hon. Mr. Snipton
Secretary of War

Washington

D. C.
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Mr. Waldo Bardelloni
329 Adele ave Bronx (61)
N.Y.C.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/53.2/LG

15 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : CA Section

Reference this Sub Commission's letter AO/53/LG of 13 Sep 45 the Italian Ministry of War have now stated that they do not wish any further Military Companies formed for Mine Clearance duties. They prefer to use civilians. Please therefore hold the above letter as withdrawn and cancelled.



R. J. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission
(Lt.Col.INGLEDEN)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance - Officer's leave.

TO : Capt. M. SHORT, RASC
LIGURIA Region

An application for compassionate leave to Austria is being made to AFHQ through G-1(Br) on your behalf. You will be informed as soon as this is granted.



R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance - Officer's leave.

TO : G-1 (Br).

Captain M. SHORT, RASC
Liguria Region

The attached applications from the above named officer for leave to Austria is forwarded for your attention. Would you please make application for a compassionate leave to Austria or if possible make other suitable arrangements whereby this officer may visit Austria.

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R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosures

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

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14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Chief Commissioners Office
(Attn.: Lt. E.J. BEHN, USNR)

Reference telephone conversation (Maj. REAKES-
Lt. BEHN), if I could have more exact details of where
the house is (number or name) I will ask the Ministry
of War to send a team of Mine Clearers down specially
to clear the house. This would mean taking men of
work which is considered of higher importance.

Letter is returned herewith.

*Please let me know if you wish we have
a squad sent down.*

R.R.
R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosure

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : LIGURIA Region
(attn. Capt. SHORT).

Your letter Per/318 of 10 Sep is acknowledged.

1. The three officer casualties are noted and efforts will be made to replace them. Captain NIUTTA was unfortunately killed in a motor accident on 4 September.

2. In view of the imminent handing over of territory the Zone should be encouraged more and more to take over responsibility for mine clearance in LIGURIA Region. This HQ will continue to press for equipment for the Ministry of War who will distribute to the Zones.

3. PIEMONTE was made a Sub Zone of LIGURIA Zone and the new Zone Commander is probably aware of this. There is forwarded signal received from PIEMONTE region (Public Works and Utilities Division) dated 10 Sep 45. Capt. SHORT is requested to visit PIEMONTE Region taking with him the new Zone Commander for the purpose of linking up the Zone and Sub Zone and reporting therein. There are few mines in PIEMONTE and it is considered the sub zone should come under LIGURIA rather than form a separate zone. Capt. SHORT may find that 7 AGRA are prepared to take over Mine Clearance as well as Bomb Disposal but a report is awaited from him.

JH
R.H. CRIPPS Colonel

Copy to: Piemonte Region
(your Signal PA/ENG/102 of 10 Sep refers)
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

14 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
ROME

1. This HQ regrets to report three casualties among the officers of LIGURIA Zone, namely

Lt. GROSSO indefinite sick leave
Lt. BOCCHETTI seriously wounded
2/Lt MELEN killed.

Replacements for these officers are necessary as soon as possible so that the work may continue.



R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

HEADQUARTERS
LIGURIA = REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

APC 394

10/9/45

13 SEP 1945

REF / PER/318

Subject : Officers - Liguria Zone

to : Local Government Sub Commission
HQ.AC.

1. It is regretted to report three casualties amongst the Officer personnel of this Zone, they are as follows.
 - (a) Lt. GROSSO, indefinite sick leave
 - (b) Lt. BOCCHETTI, seriously wounded
 - (c) 2/Lt MELEN, killed.
2. It is requested that these officers be replaced immediately.
3. In view of the serious shortage of officers in Liguria, the temporary assistance of Captain NIUTTA would be invaluable, especially as a change of command is imminent.
4. In accordance with an arrangement made with Major REAKES, and confirmed in his report of 6 Jun 45, para 17, the services of Cap.NIUTTA were requested in Liguria from Emilia, for a period of temporary duty.
5. A signal, unsigned, was received from Emilia, stating that on instructions of Local Govt.Sub.Com.Cap. NIUTTA will remain at Bologna.
6. This H.Q. ^{have}no information that the arrangement referred to in Para (4), above, had been cancelled, and if this understanding is correct, may Zone Emilia please be instructed to post Cap.NIUTTA, urgently, to this H.Q. for 14 days temporary duty.

M. Short
M. SHORT
Captain R.A.S.C.

Mines Disposal Officer

Copies to : Col.CRIpps H.Q.A.C.
R.C. Liguria
Mines Disposal Officer Emilia Rn
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APC 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

13 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Ministry of War
Via XI Settembre
ROME

1. You are informed that Lt. WACHAB has been posted to his Battalion and will be withdrawn from BOLOGNA. He is remaining however until the 15th of this month. There will be no replacement for him at Bologna. Lt. Benn is also being posted and will not be employed further on Mine Clearance in Bologna.

2. All questions of administration of Mine Clearing Companies will be done by your representatives in BOLOGNA but this HQ should be kept informed of the position from time to time.

3. POL for the civilian vehicles and the transport of the Mine Clearing Companies will require to be indented for through Italian channels. The Zones and the Companies should be warned of this so that they may have their indents lodged for next months supply as soon as possible.

JK
R. R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War
Gen. P. SERRA
Zone Railie
~~Gen. ICI~~
Liaison Officer EC
Lt. WACHAB

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: IR/ENG/902
Date/Time of Origin: SEPT 10 30B

Message Centre No: F/7166
Date Time Rec'd: SEPT 10/1630B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: PW AND U DIVISION PIEMONTE REGION AND
TO: ALCOM ATTENTION LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION ROME

10 SEP 1945

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Responsibility for mine clearance and supervision of ZONA BONIFICA CAMP MINATI is being transferred from AMG PIEMONTE to 7 AGRA in view of imminent closing of this region. It is requested that another Italian officer be assigned to the local sub ZONE BONIFICA CM for both technical supervision and to act as liaison with 7 AGRA. Understand that General NICOTRA of Comando Genio Militare Territoriale of TURIN already has requested that Italian Ministry of War the services of Tenente ISIDORO CERALDI of the 10th Italian Military Engineer Regt and suggest you support and confirm this request.

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ACTION : LOCAL GOVT EC

INFO : CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

13 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ Venezia Region
(attn.: Lt.Col.GREEN)

Reference your JBF/62 of 5 September 45.

1. It is noted that there are 28 men engaged on Mine Clearance and EMILIA Zone is being asked to take them over and form a Sub Zone.

2. This Sub Commission regrets to inform you that Capt. NIUTTA who has given valuable service to the Allies was killed in a motor accident on 4 inst.

3. As Lt. MACNAB is due to report to his Regiment on an early date please ask Capt. FORSTER to meet Major IGI at Bologna with a view to fixing up the Sub Zone and allotting at least one mine detector for the use of Venezia Sub Zone.

pk
R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Lt. MACNAB ALCOM Liaison Officer, Bologna
Major IGI, Emilia Mine Clearing Zone,
Prefettura BOLOGNA.

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

- 7 SEP 1945

5 September 45

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission
Local Government Sub-Commission
(Attention: Major Reakes)

SUBJECT : Mine clearance and Bomb Disposal, Venezia Region

FILE NO. : RMIL/PS/13.6

1. Reference points discussed with the writer and Capt. Forster by Major Reakes on his recent visit to this Headquarters.

2. 28 men are at present employed solely on mine clearance and some 500 more on the collection of abandoned ammunition and bombs of various types including "Butterfly" bombs.

3. There are 34 main mine-fields still to be cleared.

4. With regard to the abandoned ammunition, bombs etc. and the letter from Gen. Properzi left with Capt. Forster by Major Reakes

(a) Comando Artiglieria Territoriale is no longer at Padua but has moved to Udine.

(b) On 4 Sept 45 Capt. Forster called on Generale di Corpo d'Armata Quirino Armellini at Udine who was extremely cordial and who tried to explain the difficulties to be overcome which are for the most part lack of transport and men.

(c) Gen. Armellini then made an appointment for Capt. Forster to visit General Ferreri O.C. Comando Artiglieria Territoriale on 4 Sept 45. This General was equally cordial

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(c) Gen. Armellini then made an appointment for Capt. Forster to visit General Ferreri O.O. Comando Artiglieria Territoriale on 4 Sept 45. This General was equally cordial and spent a long time explaining his difficulties which are as follows:

I. His command consists only of 4 Officers and a few civil ³¹¹⁵ clerks with no soldiers to do the work. He has no transport whatsoever except his personal car.

II. He is dependent on civilian labour and transport and has had to put the work out to contract and is at the moment receiving tenders which he is passing to the Ministry of War for his approval. He explained that it is quite impossible for him to have various rates of pay and conditions of service and that he is against the huge rates at present being paid, saying that people must not be allowed to profit at the expense and misfortune of their country.

III. Major Cadamuro (Comandante of the present organization) has also been asked to tender.

IV. The General does not expect to have any scheme in operation for at least a month and suggests that the present organization should continue, exactly as at present until his scheme is ready to operate.

5. Captain Tutti has not so far called and his arrival is

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anxiously awaited.

6. If authority can be issued, I will make arrangements for the collection of the Detector or Detectors as promised, as they are urgently required here.

H. Green

F.C. GREEN
Lieut. Colonel,
Regional Public
Safety Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/33.2/LG

13 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : CA Section

Reference conversation (Lt.Col.WHITE-Maj.REAKES).

1. A further four Mine Clearing Companies are required from the AC Ceiling of the Italian Army for Mine Clearance. The War Establishment for these Companies will be the same as for the 561/4 Companies namely 8 Officers and 201 other ranks. The War Establishment number is 503/SMRE/1.
2. The total personnel required is therefore 836 all ranks.

R.E.
R.E. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

*This was cancelled as the Ministry
of War do not intend to use civilians
only civilians*
plc 19/9.

Tel. Ext. 353

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-1B/601/I

6 September 1945

SUBJECT : Mine Clearance
WE ITI-ITI Military Personnel

TO : Local Government S/C

Reference your AG/53/:2/IG dated 15 Aug 45.

1. Of the temporary allotment of an additional ceiling of 6000 Italian Military Personnel granted in May last, only 1772 have actually been taken up.
2. I.P.W. Division have requested the allotment of a further 1124, leaving a balance of 3104.
3. It must be pointed out, however, that AFHQ signal FX 72743 dated 8 May 45 makes the following stipulations in approving the 6000 temporary allotment:-
 - (a) The principle of employing Italian Military Personnel for P.O.W. refugee and displaced persons work is approved.
 - (b) The question of the provision of additional Italian Military Personnel for mine clearance is not yet approved.
4. Your further comments are awaited.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

/mc

Ra Smith
G-1 (B)
H.Q. Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

12 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : CO 2675th Regiment
HQ AC

Captain Enrico NIUTTA was travelling in Command
Car N° 77 on 4 Sep 45 from ROME to BOLOGNA in connection
with Mine Clearance duties.



R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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AND PLEASANT REGION

4906

6 September 1945

ROUTINE

RENT IOTED PD

PARA ONE PD REPRESENTS YOUR SIGNAL BETER ROGER SLANT RARY NEM GEORGE SLANT NINE
ZERO TWO OF TWO SEPTEMBER PD

PARA TWO FOR ACTION AND PLEASANT REGION FROM EL ALON SITE AGENT PAREN

PARA TWO AD AUTHORITY IS GIVEN TO REPAIR THE VEHICLE CONNECTED PD

LOCAL GOVERNMENT A/C

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NICHOLAS PLOMBINO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant

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Roma 5 settembre 1945

ALL'A.C. = Local Gover:

A.P.O. 394

In relazione alla richiesta telefonica fatta dal Magg. Reakes, il Cap. Pantaleo di questa Direzione Generale è autorizzato di prendere in consegna i documenti e i valori di proprietà del Capitano Niutta Enrico, deceduto in seguito incidente automobilistico.

Sentite grazie.

Gen. Carlo Lupat

Ho preso in consegna dal Maggiore Reakes una borsa di pelle contenente documenti e 7000 lire di proprietà del fu Capitano Enrico Niutta

6 Settembre 45

Capitano Pantaleo

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SUBJECT : Reinforcements for Mine Clearance
Companies

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LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext. 533.
A 110/19.
Aug 45

TO : Ministry of War.

Reference MMLA A 1258 of 23 August 45.

1. Reinforcements for Mine Clearance Companies are not now available from 23 Engineer Combat Bn. as this unit has been assigned another task.
2. 561, 562, 563 and 564 Mine Clearance Companies will therefore be brought up to W.E. with reinforcements from IRTC, CESANO. Selected personnel from surpluses with Administrative Divisions may, if necessary, be sent to CESANO for this purpose.

3. Reinforcements selected for this task, if not already trained, will be given a ten-day course at CESANO before posting.

4. Rail movement of these reinforcements will be requested by MMLA for the period 17-24 September. You are requested to inform MMLA of numbers and destinations before 6 September.

5. It is realised that this means a considerable delay before personnel are effectively employed with the companies. You will therefore instruct the local Adm Divs to post immediately any suitable men now at their disposal to these companies. Such postings will of course count against the numbers to be sent from IRTC, CESANO.

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6. Further reinforcements for the companies will be provided in the future from IRTC, CESANO. You will make arrangements for trained men always to be available to meet the wastage anticipated.

COPY TO : A.F.H.Q.

Local Govt Sub-Commission.

'P' BTLN.

MIA LO FIFTH ARMY.

MIA LO N.W. ITALY. (3).

MIA LO 1 DISTRICT.

MIA LO FLORENCE.

/sl.

INTERNAL :

G(SD)

G(TRG)

SORE.

'Q'

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT : Personnel for Mine Clearance Units.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M.I.A.) R O M E .
Tel: 489081 Ext. 533.
 3 Allo/19/1
 3 Sept.45

TO : Ministry of War.

Reference your letter 20771 of 8 August 45.

1. It is regretted that your letter has not been replied to before, owing to discussions that have been taking place with other Allied H.Q.'s interested.
2. Officers for the Combat Groups may not be withdrawn for this purpose as it is considered that the efficiency of the Combat Group Field Engineer Companies should not be impaired.
3. The other Officers mentioned in the list attached to your above letter may be posted against deficiencies in the authorized Mine Clearance Companies provided that they are not actively employed in the Administrative Division concerned or that competent replacements are provided, as agreed with the Allied Commanders concerned. The same applies to M.C.O.'s.
4. In general replacements for all units under the Central Office Mine Clearance (Page 79 Italian Army Order of Battle No. 2/11) will be provided as indicated in MMIA A 110/19 of 31 August.
5. It is emphasised that the personnel indicated above may only be employed in authorized units of the Italian Army. The number of Italian Army personnel authorized for Mine Clearance can only be increased by MMIA on orders from AFHQ. If, therefore, it is considered by the Italian authorities that more Army personnel should be employed on Mine Clearance, then application

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[Signature] Major General
M.M.I.A.

Copy to : Executive Commission A.C.
Local Govt Sub-Commission A.C.
Internal : C (5D)
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION

13079/F

6 September 1945

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : Local Government Sub-Commission. ✓

1. Reference your AC/53.2/LG of 3 September.
2. Authority may be given to repair the vehicle concerned.

[Signature]
Joint Director,
Finance Sub-Commission. *major*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

3 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Finance Sub Commission

1. Reference the attached signal from PIEMONTE Region please say if authority may be given to repair the vehicle concerned.

2. Lack of transport is one of the problems of Mine Clearance and when a truck is off the road the work has to be cut down.

R.R.C.
R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosure

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INCOMING MESSAGE
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION *Local Govt*

Originator's Reference: PR/ENG/902
Date/Time of Origin: SEPT 011430

Message Centre No: F/6207
Date Time Rec'd: SEPT 020930
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: AMG PIEMONTE REGION
TO: AICOM ATTENTION LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION FOR COL CRIPIS

UNCLASSIFIED.

Truck rented by Zona Bonifica Campi Minati thru normal Regional Transportation Office channels and used for mine clearance work was badly damaged when it ran over undetected mine. It is requested that Local Government Sub Commission authorize this HQ to repair the truck at its expense as a matter of equity since the owner had no means of protecting himself against the danger of damage inherent in mine removal work.

DIST

ACTION: L GOVT
INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER
C A SEC
FILE 2
FLOAT

Ref Signal PR/ENG/902 14 1 Sep 0. Considered that a matter of equity the truck should be repaired. Authority for these repairs should be given by Local Govt. Sub Commission. It is considered that Region has a Regional matter.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

3 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ LIGURIA Region
(attn.: Capt. M. SHORT)

1. Reference your letter of 28 August permission cannot be granted to you to have seven days leave in Austria. If however you still wish to take leave in this country permission is granted to you to have seven days leave.

2. Please clear through your Region HQ before going on leave and let this HQ know the period during which you will be on leave.


R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

1 Tel. Ext. 353

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-1B/601/I

3 September 1945

SUBJECT : WE ITI-ITI Military Personnel

TO : Director, Local Government S/C

3 SEP 1945

Reference your AC/53:2/LG dated 15 Aug 45.

1. On this subject a copy is attached of letter SD/34/2 dated 10 Aug 45 from MHA.
2. Requests were made to D.P. & R. S/C, and W.M.D. S/C on 14 Aug 45, stating that G-1B was not in a position to supply this information and asking them to submit the necessary details for co-ordination and onward transmission to MHA.
3. No reply has been received to date from either S/C, and until further information is available, G-1(B) is unable to give a satisfactory reply to your letter under reference.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

/mc

Ra Smith
for G-1 (B)
H.Q. Allied Commission

Copy to: D.P. & R. S/C
Economic Section for W.M.D. S/C
C.A. Section for I.P.W. S/C
MHA

C O P Y

SUBJECT:- Control of IPW and Refugees

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC(MIA)

SD/94/2

10 Aug 45

TO : G-1 (R), A.C.

1. Ref ABHQ signals EX 74087 dated 12 May 45 and EX 72728 dated 8 May 45, authorising the temporary allotment of up to 6,000 Italian Military Personnel ex IR-ITI Combat Arms to Op control of ALCOM for the collection and control of Italian PW and Refugees.

2. It is requested that you fwd to MIA as soon as possible the following information as at 9 Aug 45 and any changes therein as they occur.

(a) Total number of Italian Units and/or Dets of units carried within the above 6,600 ceiling working for A.C. stating:-

(i) Their designations

(ii) Posted strengths

(iii) Locations

(iv) Period employed

(v) Estimated further period required.

L. W. Ingledew
(sgd) ??????????
Major General
MIA

Copy to: Displaced Persons Sub. Com. A.C.
War Material Disposal & IPW Sub Com, A.C.

Internal: G/106

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FOR ACTION AND LIGURIA REGION

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3 SEP 45

ROUTINE

UNCLASSIFIED PD

PARA ONE PD REF YOUR MIGHT ONE SEVEN OF THREE ONE AUGUST PD

PAREN TO FOR ACTION AND LIGURIA REGION FOR CAPTAIN SHORT FROM

ALCOA SITE ACLET PAREN

PARA TWO PD LT COL CARINI BEING REPLACED PD NEW ZONE COMMANDER

ON HIS WAY

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Local Govt Sub Comes

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Maj. J. S. REAKES

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION *CH*

Originator's Reference: 817
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 311215B

Message Centre No: F/6018
Date Time Rec'd: AUG 311600B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

31 AUG 1945
FROM AMG LIGURIA REGION
TO : HQ ALCOM CITE REAKES

UNCLASSIFIED.

Lt Col CARINI reporting Ministry of War ROME 1 September 45. Suggest opportunity take action letter per/315 of 22 August 45. Signed SHORT.

DIST

ACTION CAS
INFO CHIEF COMMISSIONER
FILE 2
FLOAT



Signal

8113 299

ACTION
about Liguria Region attn Short.
H. Col Carini being replaced. new zone
Commander on his way.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : LIGURIA Region
(Attn.: Capt. SHORT)

Reference your PER/316 of 22 Aug 45 this Sub
Commission has been informed that Lt. Colonel CARINI is
to be recalled and another officer sent to take his place.

Howard Staley
R. E. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : G-1 (Br)

Lt. G.E.J. BENN

Reference is made to letter from Industry Sub Commission to this Sub Commission (Ref AC/5502/44/IND) dated 6 Aug copy to you.

As Mine Clearance is being handed over to the Italian Ministry of War it is no longer necessary to keep two officers at Bologna. Lt. MACNAB will remain meantime. Please therefore have Lt. G.E.J. BENN reassigned.



R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director

Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ No.2 District

1. Reference is made to your letter addressed to Allied Commission Milan, copy to this HQ (ref CE/912) dated 25 August concerning the existence of land mines in the Piccolo St. Bernard Pass. Would you please cause enquiries to be made as to the extent of the minefield. Please also state if it is suitably marked and whether it is a danger to inhabitants. An estimate of the number of mines is also required.

2. Owing to the existence of few mines in this area and the shortage of personnel efforts have been concentrated on clearing mines in EMILIA Region.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

R.R.CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: HQ LOMBARDIA Region

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

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R. R. CRIEPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ PIEMONTE Region

Reference your PR/ENG/26.1 of 18 July there is forwarded to you copy letter received from the Italian Ministry of War arranging for the posting of Lt. Stefano COLOWNA to your Region.

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R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosure

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

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2. Owing to the existence of few mines in this area and the shortage of personnel efforts have been concentrated on clearing mines in Emilia Region.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:



R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: HQ LOMBARDIA Region

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

31 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
ROME

A copy of a letter received from HQ No.2 District
CE/912 of 25 Aug 45 is forwarded so that you may have a
record of this minefield.

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R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Enclosure

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Subject:- Mines.

172 G.R. Works.
HQ. No. 2 Dist.
Tel : MILAN 12241-8
Ext : 146
Ref : GE/912

Date: 25 Aug 45.

HQ Allied Commission,
MILAN.

During the recent visit of
the GOC to 17 Med Regt, the existence
of land mines in the Piccolo St Bernard
Pass was brought to his notice.

Will you please make the
necessary arrangements for their clear-
ance.

J. A. P. ...
Brigadier,
Chief Engineer.

/CTO.

Copy to:- HQ Allied Commission,
ROME. ✓

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Rome, 25 August 1945

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Sen. Aut. Colleg. Alleati (C.A.)

Local Government Sub Commission

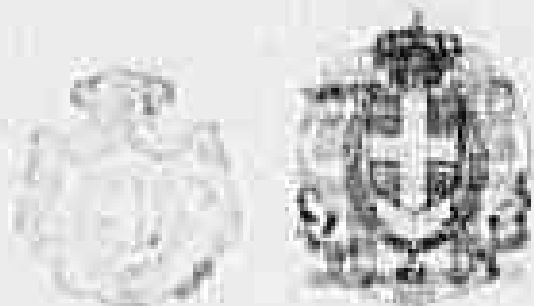
ROMA

SUBJECT: Stefano Colonna Militarized Sub-Lieutenant.

We beg to inform you that the office Ordinamento e mobilitazione, with sheet 24209/Mob dated 22nd August 1945, has arranged the transfer of Stefano Colonna, militarized as Sub-lieutenant, from the 1st unit 8th Army to Turin area Military Command, to be employed as liaison officer and interpreter at the Piemonte Region Military Command.

see fol 57

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27 AUG 1945

25 agosto 1945

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Ministero della Guerra

STATO MAGGIORE REINO ESERCITO
Sez. Ant. Colleg. Alleati (C.A.)

ALLIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT
SUB. COMM. A.C.
R.O.M.A.

Let. 1310702/cz Allegati

Regolato al f. del 24 luglio 1945
In M.AC/53/LG

Oggetto: S.Ten. Militarizzato
COLONNA Stefano.

Informarsi che con foglio n.21209/Mob
in data 22 agosto '45 l'Ufficio Ordinamento
e Mobilitazione ha disposto il trasferimen-
to, con effetto del 9-7-45, del militariz-
zato a Sottotenente COLONNA Stefano dal nu-
cleo "I" - 8^a Armata, al Comando Militare
Territoriale di Torino, per essere impiega-
to quale ufficiale di Collegamento ed in-
terprete presso il Comando Alleato Piemont
Region.

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.

[Signature]

see fol 87

[Signature]

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SUBJECT : Mine Clearance Companies - Reinforcements.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .
Tel: 489081 Ext. 533.
A 110/19.
Aug 45

TO : Ministry of War.

1. From the latest figures provided for deficiencies in Mine Clearance Companies (see MMIA A 1258 of 23 Aug) it would appear that the provisions of A110/19 of 2 July were never carried out.
2. You are requested to make enquiries with the Administrative Divisions concerned and report to MMIA what action was taken following MMIA A 110/19 of 2 July, and why there are still similar deficiencies in the companies mentioned.
3. Present deficiencies will be made up from 23 Eng Combat Bn vide MMIA A 1258 of 23 Aug.

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Major General, M.M.I.A.

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COPY TO : MMIA LO N.W. ITALY (2).
MMIA LO GENOA.
MMIA LO 1 DISTRICT.
LOCAL GOVT SUB-COMMISSION.

INTERNAL: S O R E .

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

FROM : M M I A
TO : Fifth Army for M M I A LO
INFO : MMIA LO MILAN
DISTONE for M M I A LO

DATE 23
TIME OF ORIGIN 1755Z

REF. A 1258 (.) UNCLASSIFIED (.) FOLLOWING ITALIAN MINE CLEARANCE COYS
HAVE DEFICIENCIES AS QUOTED (.) 561 COY GENOA, 36 (.) 562 COY
BOLOGNA, 33 (.) 563 COY BOLOGNA, 96 (.) 564 COY PE -
SCARLA, 60 (.) FILL THESE DEFICIENCIES WITH SUITABLE PERSONNEL FROM
23 ENGR BN ON THEIR RELEASE APPROX 1 SEPT (.) ARRANGE DIRECT MOVEMENT
WITH LO CONCERNED EARLIEST

PRECEDENCE : I M M E D I A T E

AUTHENTICATED

V. McEldall. Lefr.

COPY TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
LOCAL GOVT SUB COM1. (for MAJOR ~~REMARKS~~)
G (SD)
SCPE

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23 ENGR BN ON THEIR RELEASE APPROX 1 SEPT (.) ARRANGE DIRECT MOVEMENT
WITH 10 CONCERNED EARLIEST

PRECEDENCE : IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATED

: McMullen. Lacks.

COPY TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
LOCAL GOVT SUB COM. (for MAJOR ^{REARMS} ~~WEAPONS~~)
G (SD)
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AC LIAISON OFFICER BOLOGNA

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25 August 1945

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD MOVE OF FIVE SIX FOUR COMPANY NOW ARRANGED FOR MONDAY TWO SEVEN AUGUST PD

PARA TWO FOR ACTION AC LIAISON OFFICER BOLOGNA ATTENTION MONTEVENE MACHAB FROM HQ ALCON CITY ACLOT PAPER

PARA TWO PD PLEASE CONTACT CAPTAIN POWELL, CMA LOCAL TRANSPORTATION OFFICER BOLOGNA CMA FOR MOVE BY ROAD TO REQUIRED DESTINATION PD SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO HARM COMPANY TO KEEP CONTACT WITH SEASON AT PERARA PD

LOCAL GOVERNMENT S/C

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NICHOLAS PIONIERO
CWO USA
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

23 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission (RMIA)

Reference your letter A 110/19 of 2 July and conversation Major HANKEB-Captain HADDOV.

1. From information received from Italian Ministry of War it would appear that no re-inforcements have yet been made to the 561, 562 and 563 Italian Mine Clearance Companies.
2. The 562 and 563 Companies are being employed on the dunes and river banks in the Area FORLI, RAVENNA and FERRARA clearing mines so that repairs may be carried out before the floods which are expected towards the end of September.
3. It is important therefore that they should be brought up to strength as soon as possible.
4. The 564 Company is being moved into the area and it is understood to be still under strength. The figures available to this Sub Commission show their strength at 150 all ranks. Can they also be brought nearer to their establishment?

gpk
A.R. CHIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

To be ready by 1st September
Copy to: Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
General P. SUPINO

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.1/LG

22 August 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : A.F.H.Q. (G-5).

Reference is made to your letter G-5:383.6-28 of 12 August 45.

1. It is noted that surrendered personnel cannot be made available for mine clearance. It is agreed that recalcitrants would be unsuitable.

2.(a) In so far as equipment is concerned (except Mine Detectors) listed in Appendix "D" problems are being made by the Italian Government and may be deleted from the list.

(b) Batteries, however, are most essential as while the Italian Government are making batteries for their own detectors they have not got the material for manufacturing the number required for Allied Detectors.

(c) Tracing tape is a necessity in clearing minefields and the lack of it has been felt in many occasions. It is considered that this should be made available.

(d) The remaining equipment in List I of Appendix "D" probably can be improvised or supplied from Italian sources.

(e) With regards to list 2 there has been some difficulty in getting safety fuses and detonators in the past and it is hoped that a quantity of the items in List 2 may be made available to the Italian Ministry of War.

R. M. Cripps

R. M. CRIPPS Colonel 285
Director
Local Government Sub Commissioner

Copy to: AFHQ (G-5) (your
M.-18 of 12 Aug
refers)

Economic Section for info.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

22 August 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
ROMA

1. From information received by this Sub Commission it would appear that refugees and displaced persons are returning to their homes in SAN BIAGIO, SARACINESCO, PONTE-CORVO and CASSINO. These places are heavily mined and despite efforts to stop them people insist on returning to their homes.

2. It has been pointed out that these people have no work and cannot till the soil owing to minefields. It is necessary that they have an opportunity of getting to work on the land but this they cannot do until the minefields have been cleared.

3. It is believed that you have teams working in this area. You are well aware of the need for mine clearance squads in these villages and will no doubt organise squads from among the returning people to clear sufficient of their land so that they may supply their immediate needs.

RRC

R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War
General P. SUPINO

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by cutting label inside

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION
PATRIOTS BRANCH

Ref : AQ/53:2/LG

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 358

Subject: Mine Clearance

21 August 1945

To : The Ministry of War,
Via XI Settembre,
Rome.

Reference your 8/75311 of 18 Aug.

There are forwarded 100 copies of the Instructions for removal of Mines etc. No further copies have been printed but a few will be retained at this Commission.

pl
R. R. CRIPPS, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

Am.



Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

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Al'A.C.LOCAL
GOVERNMENT SUB.COMM.
A.P.O.394

Risposta al f. del
Gen. Sub. V. 1

Oggetto: Richiesta di pubblicazioni.

Per le Zone e Sottosone B.C.M. dipen
denti occorrerebbero altre copie dell'"I-
struzioni per la rimozione delle mine, con
descrizione di taluni tipi di mine e di
detonatori", edita da cotesta Sottocommis
sione nel Maggio c.s. oltre quelle ricevute
"via breve" e già distribuite.

Si sarà grati se ne saranno forniti al
tri 50 (cinquanta) esemplari.

P. IL MINISTRO
(Gen. di Div. O. Crivaro)

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THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Direction General Engineers
B.C.M. Central Office.

To
A LIIED COMMISSION
Local Government S/C

File: 8/75311

Subject : Request of publications.

More copies of the " Istruzioni per la rimozione delle
mine con descrizione di taluni tipi di mine e di detonatori "
published by Your Sub-Commission in last May are required in addition
to those already received and distributed, for the B.C.M. zones and
Sub-zones.

We should be very grateful if you could supply us with
another fifty copies.

For the Minister
Gen. di Div. O. Crivaro.

*100 copies
Given.*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref : AQ/53.2/LG

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 358

Subject: Return of Offrs. ORs and EM -
Mine Clearance

20 August 1945

To : Civil Affairs Section.

Herewith nominal roll called for 18 Aug 45.

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Officers

ORs

Major S.J. Reakes

N11

IN THE FIELD

Region

Officers

ORs

Liguria

Capt M. Short

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Emilia

Lt A MacNab
Lt GEJ Benn

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R.R. CRIMMS, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 393.6-28

12 August 1945

SUBJECT: Use by Italian Government of German POW.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your letters AC/53/LG of 2 June and 10 July, inclosing the original and amended schemes (with appendices) for employment of German POW on mine clearance, and to subsequent correspondence from you on this subject, the latest being your letter AC/53.1/LG of 7 August.

2. Reference is also made to your ES/14.05 of 16 June and 20 July, respectively, subject- "Employment of German POW," in which the general question is raised as to whether 21,000 German POW might be made available to the Italian Government for various uses, including the 10,000 contemplated by the scheme mentioned above in para 1.

3. The mine clearing scheme and the general proposal for the use of German POW have both been examined in detail by this Headquarters and the following facts emerge:

a. On the U.S. side, the repatriation program, now in full operation, will have absorbed by 15 August the employable surplus over and above those German POW needed for U.S. Service Units. The only residue will be made up of recalcitrants who might be used for mine-clearance but would require a heavy guard which would have to be found by the Italian Army. In view of the present state of the Italian Army, the provision of such a guard would not appear to be practicable.

b. On the British side, the decision as to whether an employable surplus of German POW would be available after the needs of the British Army and Services have been met, has been delayed pending receipt of instructions from Troopers. It is now ascertained, however, that no POW will be available from British account.

4. From study of the equipment requirements set out in the appendices to the mine clearing scheme, it appears that certain equipment as follows might be made available to you for use by Italian civilian or Military personnel.

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a. Equipment (excepting mine detectors) listed in Appendix 'D', items 1 and 2, could be made available from Army sources or from captured enemy stocks. This Headquarters feels, however, that some of the equipment might well be improvised.

b. It is unlikely that mine detectors can be made available from either U.S. or British sources in the numbers asked for. In any event, the consent of AGWAR and TROOPERS must be obtained.

c. The motor transport asked for in item 3 of Appendix 'D' is not available.

d. This Headquarters could make available one-half the housekeeping equipment asked for in Appendix 'F', exclusive of field ranges. It is felt, however, that the scale set out in Appendix 'F' is too generous and should be reduced.

5. If, in light of the above information, extra mine clearing equipment is required to enable the work to be carried out by Italian military or civil labor, you are requested to submit revised requirements as soon as possible. Every effort will be made to meet such requirements, within the limits of availability indicated in paragraph 4 above.

A. L. HAMBLIN,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref : AC/5312/10

Tel. No. 489001
Ext. 358

Subject: Mine Clearance
US IRI-III Military Personnel

15th August 1945

To : G-1 (B)

Reference is made to your G-1(B) 604/1 of 14th March 1945 and conversation (Maj. Reakes - Capt Smith).

1. Subsequent to the above date an increase of six thousand in the AG Italian Military Personnel ceiling was granted to provide increased personnel for Displaced Persons Sub Commission and War Material and P.W. Sub Commission.
2. It is understood that this increase in ceiling has not been fully taken up and that roughly 4,000 personnel are available for employment by AG. If this is so then this Sub Commission desires to have a further allotment of Italian Military personnel made available to it for Mine Clearance.
3. Please inform this Sub Commission of the present position before making an allotment.

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R.R. GRIMES, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

/s/

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

105 *Local*

Ref : AC/5312/LG
Subject: Mine Clearance
To : AFHQ (G-5)

Tel. No. 489081
Ext. 358

15 August 1945

1. The Ministry of War have come across "Butterfly Bombs" on mine fields which are being cleared.
2. Information is not available at this HQ concerning the construction and neutralising of these bombs. It is believed that these bombs must be destroyed in situ and that no attempt should be made to neutralise them.
3. May diagrams and pamphlets of instructions of the "Butterfly Bomb", if available, please be forwarded to this Commission for onward transmission to the Italian Ministry of War. If possible a model of the bomb is required for instructional purposes.

J. R. Cripps
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R. R. CRIPPS, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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INVESTIGATIVE AND RESEARCH COMMISSION
AND
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Tel. No. 489061
Ext. 558

Ref : AG/5512/10

Subject: Mine Clearance

15 August 1945

To : The Ministry of War,
Via XX Settembre, RMA

Reference your 8/75205 of 10 Aug 45.

1. AFM have been asked to forward diagrams and instructions concerning the "Butterfly Bomb".
2. Present instructions are to tie very gently and lightly a piece of string to the bomb, then retire to a safe place and pull the string. This should be sufficient to set the bomb off. If the bomb does not go off then a detonator should be placed along side it and discharged.
3. These bombs are easily exploded and no attempt should be made to neutralise them. They should not be touched by hand and care must be exercised when tying on the piece of string to ensure that the bomb is not touched or moved in the slightest.
4. It is believed that information concerning this bomb is with the Directorate of Artillery who have complete instructions on all bombs. Would you please contact them and ascertain if the instructions concerning this bomb are with them.

R. H. GIBSON, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission

/s/

Copy for General AG/5512/10

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref. No. 8/75211

ROME, 11 August 1945

SUBJECT: Communications on Mine Clearance Companies.
TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION
R O M E

Following verbal agreements concerning the employment of mine clearance companies already deployed in Emilia for clearing river banks in the provinces of Ravenna and Ferrara, copies of letters 8/75120 and 8/75121 dated 7 August from this Main Division with which orders have been given for the employment of the above mentioned companies.

Further communications will be sent as soon as the Engineering Headquarters of Bologna will decide the place in which the companies will be stationed and the work that they will do.

THE MINISTER
General of Division O. Crivaro

File 15/8.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Uff. Centr. B.C.N.

Divisione *8/75211* Sez. *2*
Prot. N. *8/75211* Allegati *2*
Risposta al f. del
Dir. *8/75211* Sez. *2* N.

Roma, *11.8-1945* A.

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A.P.O. 394

13 AUG 1945

OGGETTO: Comunicazioni circa cp.rastr.mine.-

A seguito degli accordi verbali intercorsi in merito all'impiego delle cp.rastr.mine già dislocate nell'Emilia nei lavori di bonifica delle arginature dei fiumi delle provincie di Ravenna e di Ferrara, si trasmette copia dei fogli 8/75120 ed 8/75121 in data 7/8/c.a. di questa Direzione Generale coi quali sono stati ²⁵gli ordini d'impiego per le cp. sopra citate.

Si fa riserva di ulteriori comunicazioni appena il Comando Genio di Bologna avrà definito dislocazione e compiti delle cp.

P. IL MINISTRO
(Gen.Div. O.Crivaro)

O. Crivaro

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MINISTRY OF WAR

ROME, 7 August 1945

Ref. No. 8/75121

SUBJECT: Employment of Mine Clearance Companies in clearing river banks in the provinces of Ravenna and Ferrara.

TO : THE MILITARY ENGINEERING COMMAND OF BOLOGNA
and for information
GENERAL STAFF OF THE R. ARMY
Territorial Military Command of BOLOGNA

The Superior Council of Public Works has sent an urgent request for the clearance of mined river banks in the provinces of Ravenna and Ferrara in order to complete the work of damming in that area which has been greatly damaged by the military operations of last spring.

There is danger that an area of more than 5000 Km., which involves a population of more than 50,000, will be flooded by the swell of the rivers Savio, Lamone, Serio, Santerno, etc. this autumn.

Measures are being taken for assigning between 1000 and 1200 mine clearers, military or civilian, to the clearance of the areas in question.

The Local Government Sub-Commission has consented to concentrate in this work the three Mine Clearance Companies already deployed in Emilia Region, which are at the disposal of the Allied Commission.

These companies are at present broken up in small units. Their respective headquarters are at Favullo (562nd), Ravenna (563rd) while the 564th is about to arrive at Ferrara where an advance unit has already arrived.

The said companies, as authorized by the Allied Commission, shall be placed under your Headquarters upon receipt of this letter. The said Headquarters will give instructions as to where the companies will be stationed and the work they will do after having reached agreements with the Regional Inspector of the Genio Civile of Region IX and with the A.M.G. - Emilia Region.

A copy of the initial orders and subsequent instructions concerning the employment of the Mine Clearance Companies will be sent to this Main Division which will give the relative notice to the Local Government Sub Commission.

Your Headquarters may use Capt. Spanpanato to coordinate the work of the three

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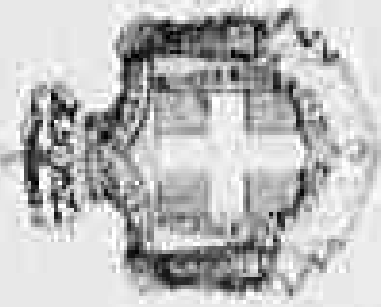
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Acknowledge receipt.

FOR THE MINISTER
/s/ General of Division
C. Crivaro

File 1578.



Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

Disposizione

Prot. N. 8/75121 Allegati

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*Risposta al foglio del
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Sc.

Oggetto: Impiego delle cp.rastr.mine nella bonifica mine delle zone arginali minate delle provincie di Ravenna e Ferrara. -

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE

B O L O G N A

(copia all'A.C.-Loc.Gov.Sub Comm.)

Il Consiglio Superiore dei LL.PP. ha rimesso una urgente richiesta d'intervento per la bonifica delle zone arginali minate dei fiumi delle provincie di Ravenna e di Ferrara, allo scopo di reintegrare le opere di contenuta e di sistemazione idraulica di quella regione profondamente danneggiata dai lavori di sistemazione del terreno nelle operazioni di guerra della scorsa primavera.

Trattasi di fare fronte al pericolo di inondazione su di una plaga agricola di oltre 5000 kmq., nell'interesse di una popolazione di oltre 50.000 anime, in previsione delle piene autunnali del Savio, Lamone, Serio, Santerno, ecc.

Provvedimenti sono in corso per assicurare alla bonifica delle zone di cui trattasi 1000 - 1200 rastrellatori, militari o civili.

In seguito a contatti subito presi coll'A.C.-Loc.Gov Sub Comm., questa ha consentito di concentrare nel lavoro di bonifica le tre cp.rastr.mine già dislocate nella Regione Emilia a disposizione dell'Allied Commission.

Queste sono attualmente frazionate in numerosi distaccamenti, con i comandi di cp. dislocati a Pavullo (562^{cp}.rastr.mine), ed a Ravenna (569^{cp}.rastr.mine), mentre la 564^{cp} è in arrivo a Ferrara, ove è giunto un suo nucleo avanzato.

7 agosto 1945

AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE

B O L O G N A

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
Uff.Ordinam.e Mobilitaz.

S E D E

(copia all'A.C.-Loc.Gov.Sub Comm.)

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Dette compagnie, in seguito ad autorizzazione dell'A.C. avuta in via breve" sono poste alla data di ricevimento della presente comunicazione alle dipendenze di questo Comando, il quale vorrà dare disposizioni per la dislocazione e compiti di lavoro in merito all'oggetto, dopo aver preso accordi coll'Ispettore Regionale del Genio Civile per la IX Regione e con il Comando A.M. G.-Emilia Region.

Copia degli ordini iniziali e delle successive disposizioni attinenti all'impiego delle cp.rastr.mine nei lavori di cui trattasi dovrà essere comunicata a questa Direzione Generale

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che provvederà a renderne edotta l'A.C.-Loc.Gov.Sub Comm.

Per coordinare il lavoro delle tre cp.rastr.mine codesto Comando potrà disporre del Cap.SPAMPANATO, comandante titolare della 562^acp.rastr.mine ed incaricato dalla citata sottocommissione di sovrintendere al lavoro delle cp.562^a e 563^a ed all'addestramento della 564^a (ormai compiuto) il quale potrà svolgere temporaneamente le funzioni di ufficiale addetto a codesto Comando.

Pregasi accusare ricevuta.-

P. IL MINISTRO
fto. Gen.Div. O.Crivaro



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ROME, 7 August 1945

MINISTRY OF WAR
File No. 8/75122

SUBJECT: Employment of mine clearance companies in clearing river banks in Lower Emilia.

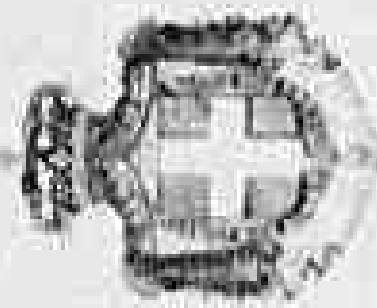
TO : The 562 Mine Clearance Company of PAVULLO
" 563 " " " " RAVENNA
" 564 " " " " FERRARA
and for information
209th Command Division of CESENA

With the letter a copy of which is enclosed, instructions have been given, following agreements reached with the Local Government Sub-Commission, for the employment of the above companies in the clearance of river banks in lower Emilia.

The work is urgent and important and other mine clearance units will be placed on it shortly.

The Companies will operate in accordance with orders to be given by the Engineering Command of Bologna either directly or through Capt. Spananato, who for the time being will be the officer in charge of the mine clearance work that the above-mentioned Command is undertaking.

FOR THE MINISTER



C O P I A

Ministro della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

Divisione
Det. V. 8/75122 Allegato 1

Roma agosto 1945

Al COMANDO 562^o COMP. RASTR. MINE
PAVULLO
Al COMANDO 563^o COMP. RASTR. MINE
RAVENNA
Al COMANDO 564^o COMP. RASTR. MINE
FERRARA

Risposta al foglio del
Gen.

OGGETTO : Impiego delle cp. rast. mine nella bonifica mine delle arginature dei fiumi della Bassa Emiliana. -

e, per conoscenza:
Al COMANDO 209^o Divisione - C E S E N A

Colla lettera allegata in copia si sono date disposizioni, in seguito ad accordi intercorsi in "via breve" coll'A.C.-Loc. Gov. Sub Comm., per l'impiego di codeste Compagnie nel rastrellamento mine delle arginature dei fiumi della "Bassa Emiliana".

Il lavoro è urgente ed importante e su di esso saranno appena possibile convogliate altre forze di bonifica mine.

Codeste Compagnie opereranno secondo ordini che saranno impartiti dal Comando Genio di Bologna, direttamente o per il tramite del Cap. SPAMPATO, che temporaneamente assume le funzioni di Ufficiale addetto per la bonifica mine presso il citato Comando del Genio. -

P. IL MINISTRO
fto. Gen. Div. O. Crivaro

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P. IL MINISTRO
fto.Gen.Div.O.Crivaro



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Butterfly bombs.

From papers transmitted by the Allied Commission concerning mine fields laid out by Allied Forces in some regions in Italy we have learned of the time and place ~~found some details of time and place~~ that the butterfly bombs were planted. ~~about the laying out of butterfly bombs.~~ Instructions have been given for the neutralization of such bombs, should any be found.

For the purpose of neutralizing these bombs it is necessary to have some diagrams, and possibly some models of the bombs or bombs if there are more than one type., together with rules ~~as~~ as to how to handle them.

Will your Sub-Commission kindly send us such information.

For the Minister
Gen. O. Crivaro

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Uff. Centrale B.C.M.

Divisione *Sec.*
Prot. N. *8/75203* *Allegati*
Risposta al 1° del
Div. *Sec.* *N*

OGGETTO: Bombe a farfalla -

N Roma, 16. 8. 1945 - A. 66
11 AUG 1945

AL'A.C. = LOCAL GOVERNMENT
SUB COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394

Dalla documentazione trasmessa cortesemente da codesta Allied Commission circa i campi minati impiantati dalle Forze Alleate in talune regioni italiane risultano i dati di disseminazione di bombe a farfalla (tempi e località). In relazione si sono date disposizioni per la neutralizzazione di tali dispositivi, se se ne troveranno.

A questo scopo occorrerebbe disporre di disegni, possibilmente di un esemplare della bomba o delle bombe se impiegate in diversi tipi, e delle eventuali norme di maneggio.

Si prega codesta Sottocommissione di voler fare conoscere, ove nulla osti, i documenti accennati.

p. IL MINISTRO
(Gen.Div.O. Crivaro)

Crivaro

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Subject : Italian Officers - Demobilisation.

3 AUG 1945

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A302

1 Aug 45.

- 2 AUG 1945

To : Local Govt Sub-Comm.A.C.

Capt SACCONI Francesco. Arty Reg.

Ref this HQ letter A302 of 17 Jul 45.

1. The attached copy of War Ministry letter 2/18377 dated 26 Jul 45 is forwarded for your information.

M. H. Renshaw
M.H. RENSHAW,
J/Comd,
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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C O P Y

From / Min of War
To / M.M.I.A.

Date : 28/7/45
Ref : 2/18377

Subject : Capt SACCONI Francesco.Arty Res.

Orders for the discharge of Captain SACCONI Giorgio Francesco,
Arty. Res, have been issued to day to the Folgore Combat Group.

(Sgd) Gen. Falugi.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 39I

SLG/gn

Ref. AC/5502/44/IND

6 August 1945.

SUBJECT : Mine Clearance

✓ TO : Director Local Government Sub-Commission ✓

1. Your AC/53.2/LG dated 4 Aug 45 refers.
2. G-I (Br) AC have been asked to issue the necessary authority relative to Lt. G. BENN of this Sub-Commission taking over duties in connection with Mine Clearance.
3. The relative Posting Order will be forwarded to you in due course.

Copy to:-

G-I (Br)
with I Encl.
(AC/53.2/LG - 4 Aug 45)

S.L. Goldman Maj.
S.L. GOLDMAN,
Major,
Executive Officer,
Industry Sub-Commission.

*G.I.B. Tals to assign him to L.G. of
attach him to Somalia Reg in for 26.4
temporary duty where he will remain
at least until the end of Aug*

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT TRANSPORT BID NUMBER ONE DATED TWO EIGHT JULY
FOUR FIVE PD

BAREN TO REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION OFFICER AMG EMILIA REGION FROM ALCOM
HEADQUARTERS CITE ACFT PAREN

PARA TWO PD MINE CLEARING PERSONNEL AND STORES EXPECTED TIME ARRIVAL
BOLOGNA STATION ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO HOURS EIGHTH AUGUST PD

COPY TO :-- GOVERNMENT DIVISION ROADS
LOCAL GOVERNMENT S/C

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMM/
ROADS DIVISION

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO USA
ASSIST/ ADJUTANT

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MOV ANCONA - MOV BOLOGNA

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4 AUGUST 45

PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD SUBJECT MOVE OF FIVE SIX FOUR ITALIAN MINE CLEARANCE
COMPANY ONE FIVE ZERO ALL RANKS AND FIVE TONS BAGGAGE PESCARA TO
FERRARA PD

PAREN TO DD TN RAILWAYS ANCONA FOR BENT TO AMG EMILIA REGION FOR
DODGE INFO TO AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGEG TO MOV ANCONA TO MOV BOLOGNA
FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

PARA TWO PD TIMINGS AS FOLLOWS PD BY RAIL DEP PESCARA ONE EIGHT
ZERO FIVE HRS SEVEN AUGUST ANCONA ARR ZERO ONE THREE FOUR DEP ZERO
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ROAD UNDER ARRANGEMENTS ALCOM TPTN OFFICER BOLOGNA ETA FERRARA
ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO HRS EIGHT AUGUST PD

COPY TO. Local Govt SC - ROADS DIV (TN 5) ECON SECT - RAIL DIV
(TN 4) - DMRS (Major London) - AC WAGONS CONTROL c/o RAIL DIV (Lt.
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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
CWO U.S.A.
Asst. Adjutant.

AC for Local for SC

SECRET

SUBJECT: Strength State and Order of Battle
of the Italian Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MMIA)

SD/92/1

4 Aug 45

1. Herewith Italian Army Strength State (including Order of Battle of the Italian Army) serial 2/11 as at 8 July 45.
2. Addressees are asked to check this document and to inform MMIA of any amendments considered necessary.
3. Please acknowledge on form of receipt below.

*copy signed
and returned
1/8.*

L.M. Ingledew.

Major General,
MMIA.

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DISTRIBUTION:

As Strength State

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/10

7 August 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ EMILIA Region
(Attn.: Lt. MACNAB)

1. In the provinces of VERONA and RAVENNA there is as you know a large and complicated system of water works and dams built to hold the flood waters of the rivers which in this area are very full in the autumn and spring.

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R. R. CRIPPS Colonel
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Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: HQ LIGURIA Region (Attn. Capt. SHORT)
Ministry of War (Gen. SUPRIMO)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/53.1/LG

7 August 1945

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : A.F.H.Q. (G-5).

Reference is made to this Commission's letter
AC/53.1/LG of 25th July 45.

1. In the Provinces of FERRARA and RAVENNA there is a large and complicated system of water works and dams built to hold the flood waters of the rivers which in this area are very full in the autumn and spring.

2. These waterworks and dams have been seriously damaged by the Germans and many mines have been laid in and around them and the rivers. The Italian Government who have now taken over this territory are very concerned about this area and anticipate considerable flooding and destruction if repairs are not completed by 15th September.

3. This Commission has agreed to use three of the Mine Clearing Companies for the purpose of clearing the mines but their number is insufficient. It is estimated that 2000 surrendered personnel should be assigned for this work immediately. There are many prisoners of war in this area which if flooded will, beside rendering roughly 50,000 people homeless, destroying crops &c. also flood the camps in which the prisoners of war are held and make feeding and control difficult.

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4. Copies of letters received by this Commission from the Ministry of War are forwarded for your perusal.

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5. A scheme for the employment of surrendered personnel has been in the hands of your HQ for over two months. The scheme was prepared and forwarded at your request but so far no answer either negative or positive has been received. This delay may prove to be the cause of disastrous flooding and further damage with serious economic repercussions which might have been avoided if the assistance in personnel, equipment and material had been made forthcoming at an earlier date.

6. It is requested that this application for the use of surrendered personnel be given sprint consideration in view of the urgency of the matter and the threat of inundation both to the countryside and POW camps.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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G.R. UELJOHN Brig
VP CA Section

AND EMILIA REGION

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4th August, 1945

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

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MICHAEL PIONBINO
CWO
Asst. Adjutant

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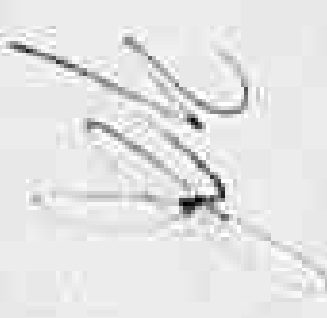
4 Aug 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/55.4/LG

4 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : A.F.H. (G-5).

1. Reference your G-5:313.3 of 1st Aug 45 and relative enclosure being copy letter from Engineer Section (Br) AFHQ (Ref ENG/1.31) dated 30 July concerning mine-field records.

2. Paragraph 3 of the Engineer Section's letter states:-

" It is pointed out that final clearance of minefields will be carried out by Italians and Germans, receiving information from Allied Commission".

3. No notification has been received by this HQ that the clearance of minefields will be carried out by Italians and Germans. This Commission is anxious to obtain approval for the use of German personnel and relative equipment for mine clearance but nothing official has been received. It would appear from this copy letter that a decision has been taken no notification of which has been made to this Commission.

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5. May this HQ please be advised of the present position.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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Brig.G.R. UPJCHW 255
VF CA Section

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/IG

4 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Industry Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

3 Aug 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : EMILIA Region
(Attn.: Lt. A. MACNAB)

1. Your letter of the 26th July is acknowledged. The number of mine detectors in your area is noted. As the Ministry of War have now produced receipts for all the mine detectors which we handed over to them there is no need to take further action in the matter. Please however, forward the numbers and types of the 6 or 8 detectors which you have managed to obtain in addition to the allotment made by this HQ. VENEZIE Region (Capt. Forster) have asked for 2 Detectors. Can you release two for this Region?
2. This Sub Commission will take up the matter of getting Lt. Geoffrey Benn re-assigned if this can be managed.
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Civilians	2.395
Military	96.521

The figure for the military appears to be excessively high! Can you verify or check this figure in any way?

[Signature]

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R. R. CRIPPS Colonel

Director

Local Government Sub Commission

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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Ref. : F/MC/I. 26 = 7 = 45.
Subject : Mine Clearance.
To : Major R E A K E S .

Dear Stewart,

I've checked up on the numbers of mines Detectors
which are held by the Companies and Civilians.

Polish....	Civilian 23	-	Military 10	66 in all
American....	"	4	"	17
Italian.....	"	12	"	--

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I have arranged billet for 564° Company and sent an Officer to Pescara with the details. Spanpanato has gone to Naples for four days as one of his children is seriously ill. He is now the Command of 562° and 563° Companies.

A newspaper article which Niutta tells me you wish to see has been attached to this letter.

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I think this covers everything, the monthly report will reach you about the 2nd of August.

I hope to set off for Venice and the 2nd Camerons on Tuesday the 31st but I won't waste much time there as I'll have to straighten out 564th Coy.

If possible let me have exact date of their arrival.

Yours aye,

L. Mac.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
A.P.O 394

Ref: M/MC/1

31/7/45

Subject Mine Clearance

To Local Government Sub Commission (attn. Maj REAKES)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: E/566
Date/Time of Origin: AUG 02 NFT

Message Centre No: F/2344
Date Time Rec'd: AUG 022025B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM : AMG EMILIA REGION
TO : ALCON CITE ACLGT

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1. Your cable No 2848 refers.
2. Owing to move of 564 Company impossible for Captain SPAMPANATO to report to Ministry of War before Tuesday 7 August.

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Action - Local Govt
Info - Chief Commissioner
CA Sec
File 2
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*Ministry of War advised
by phone 127A
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

3 Aug 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : EMILIA Region
(Attn. Lt. MACNAB)
LIGURIA Region
(Attn.: Capt. M. SHORT)

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AC/53.2/LG of 30 July the bonus is retrospective and takes
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R.S. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
Gen. P. SUPINO.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Ref. F/MC/I
Subject Mine Clearance
TO Local Government Sub Commission (attn. Major REAKES)

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Carroll
A MAC NAB Lt.
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Mines Clearance Officer
Emilia Region

Copies to
Ministero della Guerra (attn. Gen. Supino
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3 AUG 1945

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AUG 02 1700
IMPORTANT

AMC EMILIA REGION FROM DODDS
HQ ALCOM FOR ROAD DIVISION TFM

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Your bid road lift for mine clearance Coy 6 to 12 August accepted.

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Handwritten:
This is a copy of the
original file
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2 AUG 1945
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AMC EMILIA REGION

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31 July 1945

ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD PLEASE INSTRUCT CAPTAIN SHAMBAHO TO REQUEST TO ROME IMMEDIATELY

PARA TWO FOR ACTION AMC EMILIA REGION ATTENTION KACHAR FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACTION PAPER

TO MINISTRY OF WAR IF POSSIBLE BY THIRD AUGUST PD

W.K.

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD PLEASE INSTRUCT CAPTAIN SEPULVEDA TO REPORT TO ROME IMMEDIATELY
PANEL TO FOR ACTION AND MILITARY REGION ATTENTION REQUIRED FROM HQ ALCON CITY ADJUTANT GENERAL
TO MINISTRY OF WAR IF POSSIBLE BY THIS DATE PD

W.R.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT S/C

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NICHOLAS FLORES
GMC USA
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

30 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : HQ EMILIA REGION
(attn.: Lt. A. MACNAB)

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R.2. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
Rome Gen. P. SUPINO

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COPY

562/3 Mine Clearance Companies
Headquarters

Bologna 23/7/45

SUBJECT: Remaining explosives and their transformation in manure

TO : Col/ CRIPPS HQ AC CA Section APC 394 R O M A

1. After short time of mine clearance work start, it was necessary to establish if German and allied mine warehouses should be destroyed or conserved.

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c) Booby traps..."

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8. Since two months Commander is waiting for instructions, but no order has reached.

9. Work was going to begin and a great plenty of explosives ^{2nd} have been transported to explosives warehouses of "Reparto"

10. Being mines, German and Allied, this works is not concerning Italian Ministry of War

11. Herewith, 562 M.C. Commander asks you to provide him, as soon as possible, with giving instructions, in order to settle this in

portant work.

12. Now, it has been communicated to Ministry of War, that on 18/7/45 a Reparto Officer was encharged to speal with Lt. Amyot, then Allied Officer at AMG at Pescara.

13. Allied Officer confirmed that 562 Coy Commander could act as would about destination of explosives and that it was useless to consent what requested by Italian Officer, encharged to renew authorisation on particularly sheet.

Il Comandante

Capt. F. Spanpanato

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Il Comandante
Capt. F. Spanpanato

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG 30 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : HQ LIGURIA Region
(attn.: Capt. M. SHONT)
HQ EMILIA Region
(attn.: Lt. A. MACNAB).

1. The Ministry of War have advised Major J.S. REAKES that the following bonus will be paid to the 561, 562, 563 and 564 Mine Clearing Companies:-

- | | |
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3. The Ministry of War will issue instructions as to the bonus to be paid.

TO : HQ LIGURIA Region
 (attn.: Capt. E. SHORT)
 HQ EMILIA Region
 (attn.: Lt. A. MACONAB).

1. The Ministry of War have advised Major J. S. BRANES that the following bonus will be paid to the 561, 562, 563 and 564 Mine Clearing Companies:-

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Copy to: Ministry of War
 Via M. Settembre
 Brig. Gen. P. SUPINO

R. A. CRIPPS Colonel

Director
 Local Government Sub Commission

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Statement.

According to instructions of General I Battalion I went to Perugia the 26 June 45 in order to confer with Lt. Amyot of the AMG.

This Officer being transferred to St. Vincent (Aosta) I went to visit him on 18 July 45 and asked him to issue a letter giving authority for transferring explosives into manure.

Such authority has already been given by Lt. Amyot, then AMG C.A. Officer at Pescara who wrote the authority on a letter addressed to the OC 562 Mine Clearance Company dated 19 Sept. 44 by the Pace firm of Pescara asking for the explosives to be transferred into manure for agricultural purposes.

Lt. Amyot stated that a new authority was superfluous and that the note "Discretion of mine CC;C.O." gave full authority to the OC of 562 Coy to dispose of the explosives lifted during the mine clearance work.

Witnesses:

Lt. Del Re Vittorio

2Lt Vittorio Meioni

2Lt. Carlo Mero

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- 2Lt Vittorio Modoni

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C. PACE & Co. Pescara

18 Sept 44

TO: Command of 562 Mine Clearance Company

SUBJECT: Utilization of explosives.

In agreement with the Prefect of Pescara and with the Supervisor of the Agricultural Department, this firm would like to transform the explosives contained in mines into manure for agricultural purposes.

My firm has the necessary equipment for such work and disposes also of big stores at the viale Renchi No 94 where the material could be stored.

My firm is willing to give any warranty for security asked for.

We beg therefore the above Command to grant authority to transport and store in our own stores all the explosives found in the territory under the jurisdiction of this Command.

Signed

502/3 IRE CLEARANCE COMPANIES
headquarters

Bologna - 23/2/45

SUBJECT:- Remaining explosives and their transformation in manure.-

TO :- Col. Cripps - HQ. - A.C. C.A. Section A.P.O. 394 R O M A

- 1) After short time of mine clearance work start, it was necessary to establish German and allied mine warehouses should be destroyed or conserved.-
- 2) Allied Military Government of Chieti, Teramo and Pescara Provinces, in CPT I4I letter, subject "Disposal of Mines explosives and war material explained:-
"Allied and German Mines drown out from ground"
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b) If it is possible provide for the security of transport mines must be cast into sea. Before being cast, they must be gathered and kept in a sure signed place.-
c) booby traps.- " "
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- 6) Agreement was done with Pace firme.-
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- 10) Being mines, German and Allied, this works in not concerning Italian Ministry of War.--
- 11) Herewith, 562 M.C. Commander asks you to provide him, as soon as possible, with giving instructions, in order to settle this important work.--
- 12) Now, it has been communicated to Ministry of War, that on 18/7/1945, a Reparto "Officer was encharged to speak with Lt. Amyot; then Allied Officer of A.M.C. at Pescara.--
- 13) Allied Officer confirmed that 562 M.C. Commander could act as would about destination of explosives, and to ^{it was} please to consent what requested by Italian Officer, encharged to new ^{to new} ~~IL COMANDO ANFIBIO~~ ^{IL COMANDO ANFIBIO} ~~spec.~~ ^{spec.} *(Please see the Declaration)*
(see with enclosed)



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(Ceph. F. Spampinato) 6603

D C H I A R A Z I O N E

Il giorno 26/6/1945, come da ordine del Comando I° Battaglione rastrellatori Mine, mi recai a Perugia, per conferire con il Ten. Amyot dell'A.M.G.

Saputo del suo trasferimento a Saint Vincent (Aosta), il giorno 18/7/1945, mi recai in quella località per farmi rilasciare, secondo ordini ricevuti, su foglio a parte, che di allega in copia, per regolarità amministrativa, l'autorizzazione di effettuare la lavorazione degli esplosivi.=

Tale autorizzazione era stata già rilasciata dall'orm. Amyot stesso ten. Amyot - allora Ufficiale per gli Affari Civili all'A.M.G. di Pescara, con annotazione apposta sulla domanda, in data 18/9/1944, presentata alla 562a Compagnia Rastrellatori Mine, dalla Ditta C. Pace, di Pescara, che chiedeva la cessazione di esplosivi per la lavorazione e trasformazione in fertilizzanti per l'agricoltura.=

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Il Comandante
562a Compagnia Rastrellator Mine

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DA CANTIERE NELLA FABBRICA

18 settembre 1944

Al Comando della 562^a Compagnia
Rastrellatori mine

rescara (Clinica Plerana)

Oggetto: Rastrellamento ed utilizzazione esplosivi residuati.

A seguito a parere favorevole di S.E. il Prefetto di Pescara e dell'Ispettorato Compartimentale per l'Agricoltura, sarebbe nel programma di questa Ditta di rastrellare ed ammassare gli esplosivi residuati da mine per la loro riutilizzazione come fertilizzanti per l'agricoltura.

La mia Ditta possiede un impianto meccanico addetto per la lavorazione di tali materiali e dispone dell'organizzazione per il collocamento del prodotto lavorato fruendo dei suoi vasti locali di laboratorio al viale Ronchi N°94.

Per tale lavorazione la mia Ditta è disposta assumere l'impegno di qualsiasi garanzia di sicurezza o quant'altro fosse richiesto.

Si prega pertanto cotesto Comando di concedere l'autorizzazione a poter rastrellare, trasportare ed ammassare nei propri locali tutti i residuati di esplosivi da mina esistenti nel territorio di competenza di cotesto Comando.

Con osservanza

Paolo Plerana

Espresso al Comando P. M. S.

per info M. M. S. P. M.

11/11/44

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Con osservanza:

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Espresso al Comando A.M.S.

in data 10.11.1944

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562/363 Companies
Command

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SUBJECT: 562/3 Mine Clearance
CompaniesBologna, Via Toscana 241
19 July 45

TO : Ministry of War
 Command 209 Division
 Territorial Command
 Command 10 Engineering Regiment
 Command 562 Mine Clearance Company
 Command 563 Mine Clearance Company
 Command 564 Mine Clearance Company
 Bologna City Command
 Col. Cripps Director Local Government
 Lt. MACNAB Mine Clearance Officer

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The first Mine Clearance Battalion, formed by the 562, 563 and 564 Companies has been formed by order of the Allied Command constituted by the 541 Regiment with letter 810/I Pers: dated 28 May 45.

Reference letter AC/55/LG of 13 July 45 signed by Major Rankes for Col. Cripps and addressed to Lt. MacNab Mine Clearance Officer, HQ Emilia Region; the undersigned Capt. Felice Spampinato will command the 562 and 563 Mine Clearance Companies and the 1st Battalion will be called Command of 562/3 Mine Clearance Companies

Therefore the 562 and 563 Mine Clearance Companies according to the instructions of the 209 Division, ref. 2570 of 16 July 45 will deal with higher authorities through the Command 562/3 Mine Clearance Companies.

The 564 Company now at the School which is under the 562 Coy will remain under Command of Capt. Spampinato until the moment of its employment. For Bologna City Command there is enclosed copy of letter 810/I/Pers of 28 May 45 of the Command 541 Regiment.

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Prot. 119/2000/404

OGGETTO: 562a/563a COMPAGNIE RASTRELLATORI MINE.

COMPAGNIE RASTRELLATORI MINE
C.O.A.R.P.O.

Bologna, Via Toscana 211
11, 19/7/1945

28 JUL 1945

AL MINISTRO DELLA GUERRA - Direz. Gen. Area del Comdo
Ufficio Centrale S.C.M.

ROMA

AL COMANDO DELLA 209^a DIVISIONE DI PASTERIA

AL COMANDO GEN C 209^a DIVISIONE MI

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE MI

AL COMANDO DEL 10^o REGIMENTO GENIO

AL COMANDO DELLA 562a COMPAGNIA R.M.

AL COMANDO DELLA 563a COMPAGNIA R.M.

AL COMANDO DELLA 564a COMPAGNIA R.M.

AL POLIGRAFICO GEN COORD - Ten. A. Manolind It. L.O.

p.e. AL COL. CHE FPS - Director Local Government
SubComandante H.Q./A.C. A.F.O. 394

AL LT. MAC MAB - Mine Clearance Officer Emilia R.

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S. MARIA C.V.

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ROMA

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Il 1^o Battaglione di formazione Rastrellatori Mine, comprendente la 562a, 563a, 564a, Compagnie Rastrellatori Mine, fu costituito per determinazione del Comando Allente, comunicata dal 54^o Reggimento Fanteria con foglio H.O./I/Pers. in data 28/5/1945.

Da oggi, in seguito al foglio contrassegnato A.C./53/10, in data 13 luglio 1945, dell'H.Q./A.C. firmato dal Regg. Reale per il Colonnello R.R. Gripps, ed indirizzato al Lt. Mac MAB A. - Mine Clearance Officer H.Q./Emilia Region, lo scrivente, capitano Spagnato Felice, assume il Comando delle 562 e 563 Compagnie R.M. e il Comando 1^o Battaglione di formazione R.M. assume la denominazione di Comando 562a/563a Compagnie Rastrellatori Mine.

Pertanto, tutte le pratiche della 562a e 563a Compagnie R.M., con i Comandi superiori, anche in conformità col foglio 2670, in data 16/5/1945, del Comando 209^a Divisione, saranno trattate tramite il predetto Comando 562a/563a Compagnie Rastrellatori Mine.

564a Compagnia R.M., trovandosi attualmente presso la Scuola

AL COMANDO DELLA 562a COMPAGNIA R.M.
AL COMANDO DELLA 563a COMPAGNIA R.M.
AL COMANDO DELLA 564a COMPAGNIA R.M.
AL POLIGRA CITY COMMAND - Ten. A. Mendini Lt. I.O.
p.o. AL COL. CHIPS - Director Local Government
SubCommission H.Q./A.C. A.P.O. 394
AL LT. MAC HAN - Mine Clearance Officer Emilia R.

RAVENHHA
SILVIA
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ROMA
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Pertanto, tutte le pratiche della 562a e 563a Compagnie R.M., con i Comandi superiori, anche in conformità col foglio 2670, in data 16/5/1945, del Comando 203° Divisione, saranno trattate tramite il predetto Comando 562a/563a Compagnie Restrellatori Mine.

La 564a Compagnia R.M., trovandosi attualmente presso la Scuola addestramento Restrellatori Mine, dipendente dalla 562a Compagnia R.M., resta Mine al comando dell'impiego, sotto il controllo del Capitano Spennato Felice. Per il Bologna City Command, si allega copia del foglio MO/I/Pers., in data 28/5/1945, del Comando del 541° Reggimento Fanteria.

IL COMANDANTE IN 562/563 COMP.
(Opt. Spennato Felice)

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562/3 Mine Clearance Companies
Command

SUBJECT: Liaison Officer

TO : Col Cripps CA Section

1. Your letter AC/53/LG of 13 July 45 addressed to Lt. MacNab is acknowledged.

2. Reference paras 1 and 2 of the above letter I am astonished and I am sorry for the following reasons:

I was appointed Liaison Officer of ACC (Chieti, Pescara and Teramo Provinces) with letter CPT/141 signed by Major Maunder, Provincial Commissioner, copy enclosed alongwith copy of the card issued to me.

When the ACC of these Provinces closed down I visited your HQ the 1 Apr 45.

Major Renkes delivered me a letter 9/8A/CA of 4 Apr signed by him for you: I explained him that according to Italian Military Regulations I wouldn't be in a position to deal with matters as laid down by the a/m letter.

Major Renkes then added in writing to the card No 399 issued by HQ ACC the words "Liaison Officer" based on the letter of Major Maunder.

I used the title of "Liaison Officer" with the greatest discretion and only for the sake of mine clearance work and for that of my soldiers.

3. According to para 5 of letter AC/53/LG addressed to Lt. MACNAB I will use exclusively the title of OC 562/3 Mine Clearance Companies.

4. If possible I would like to correspond direct with higher Commands instead of using two "channels of communication" cited by your letter, informing of course the 209 Division and your HQ and this in order to abbreviate the time.

5. My remark about the 561 Company was nothing more than a private information obtained from my old soldiers which I did only in the interest of the service.

*I am taking no action
in this letter*

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F. Spampinato Cpt. 234

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COMANDO

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Bologna, 11, 23/7/945

000000:- Qualifica di Liaison Officer. =

AL COLONNELLO CHI PPS - C.A. Section A.D.O. 394. R O M A

I°) - Ho preso atto del contenuto del Vs. foglio A.C. 53/Di, in data 13/7/49
1945, indirizzata al Gen. Mac Nab. =

2°) - Quanto detto nei punti 1) e 2) di tale lettera, mi ha fatto meraviglia e mi è dispiaciuto per i seguenti motivi: -

- fui nominato Ufficiale di collegamento dell'A.C.C. (Chieti - Pescara, and Teramo Provinces) con foglio CFI./I4I, del Maggiore Maunder, Provincial Commissioner, di cui allego copia, unitamente a copia della tessera che mi fu rilasciata. =

- Cessando di funzionare l'A.C.O. per quelle provincie, mi presentai a codeste HQ, il 1°/4/1945, ~~interrogando i funzionari~~

Il maggiore Reaks, mi consegnò il Foglio 9/BA/CA, del 4 Aprile 1945, firmato da lui, in vostra vece: io gli feci presente che, ai termini del regolamento Militare Italiano, non avrei potuto occuparmi di quanto detto in tale lettera, nella semplice qualità di Comandante la 562a Compagnia rastrellatori Mine. =

Il Maggiore Reaks aggiunse allora di suo pugno, alla tessera N° 399 rilasciata dall'H/Q. /A.C.C., le parole " Liaison Officer" basandosi sul contenuto del foglio del Maggiore Maunder, citato. =

Ni sono sempre servito del titolo di Liaison Officer con grande discrezione e a solo ed esclusivo vantaggio del lavoro di pastrellamento delle mine e del benessere dei miei soldati. =

3*) - Secondo quanto detto al punto 5) del foglio AC/53/IG, indirizzate al tenente Mac Nab, io mi servirò esclusivamente della qualifica di O.O. 562/3 Mine Clearance Companies. =

4°) - Se fosse possibile, desidererei corrispondere direttamente con gli alti Comandi, naturalmente tenendone informate la 209^a Divisione e codesto HQ, anzichè servirvi dei due "canali di comunicazione" da voi citati al punto 3): ciò per abbreviare il tempo necessario allo svolgimento delle pratiche. =

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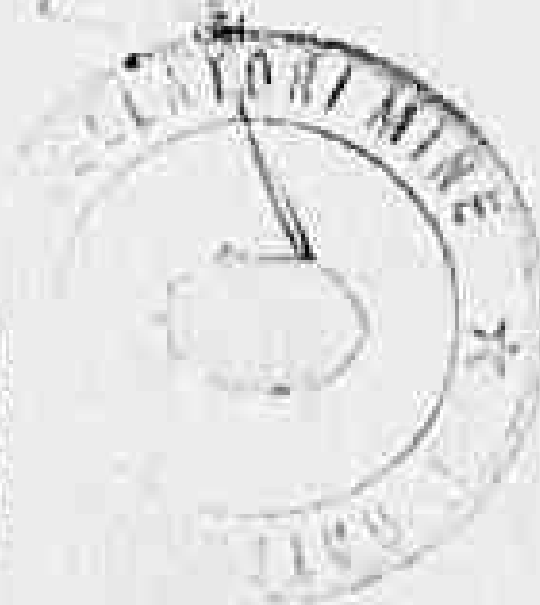
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5°) - Quanto vi scrissi a riguardo del Comandante le 561^a Compagnia R.M. era semplicemente un'informazione riservata da me attinta da miei vecchi soldati, che io vi pagavo nell'interesse del buon andamento del lavoro di bonifica dei campi minati.=

O.C.

Spampinato Cpt.



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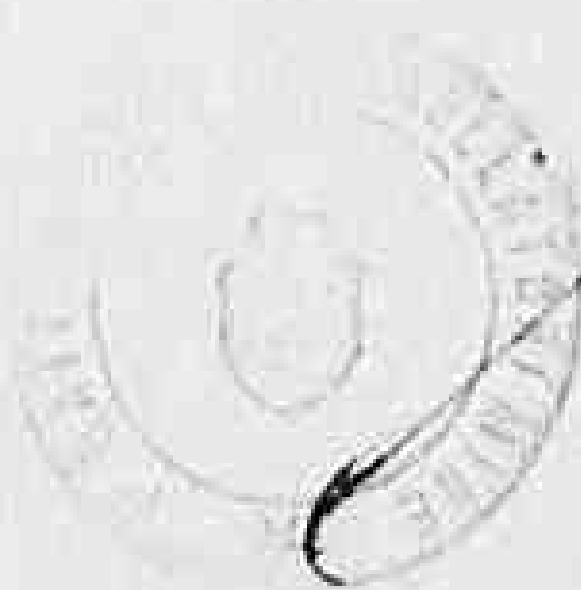
ALLIED COMMISSION
ABRUZZI MARCHE REGION PROVINCES
OF CHIETI, PESCARA & TERAMO

Nº 8700

The bearer, Lt. Spaspanato Felice, Officer Commanding 562 Compagnia Sastreliamento mine (562 Mine Clearance Coy), is employed as Italian Liaison Officer for Mine Clearance with the allied Commission.= Every assistance should be given to this Officer to enable him to carry out his duties.=

Signed Major
Provincial Commissioner,
AC CHIETI, Pescara & Teramo

20 Nov 44
Chieti.=

 P.C.C.
[Handwritten signature]

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION

CHIETI, PESCARA, AND TIRAMO PROVINCES

CPM/141

SUBJECT:- Lt. Spanpanato Felice - Ufficiale di Collegamento.-
TO : Ministero della Guerra - R O M A
and f.a. A.C.C. Chieti, Pescara and Teramo Provinces.-

Il latore della presente, Tenente Spanpanato Felice, Comandante la 502a Compagnia Mastrellatori Mine, dipendente direttamente da questa A.C.C. egli oltre ad assolvere il compito di Comandante è stato anche nominato Ufficiale di Collegamento, per quanto riguarda tutte le pratiche che questa A.C.C. tratta con enti militari italiani dislocati nella giurisdizione di questa Commissione Alleata di Controllo.=

Ufficiali, Delegati direttamente da codesto Ministero sono giunti in questa Zona, giusto gli ordini di codesto, per l'istituzione di Scuole per la specializzazione di civili, per rimozione campi minati ed esistenti nelle provincie di questa Regione.=

Questi Ufficiali hanno rappresentato, al nostro Ufficiale di Collegamento, numerose difficoltà, in special modo di mezzi.=

Si prega, pertanto, di ascoltare il Tenente Spanpanato (Ufficiale di Collegamento) dandogli gli aiuti necessari onde egli possa portare a termine il non semplice compito affidatogli.

Chieti, 1° Novembre 1944

F.to Magg. Maunder

Major Provincial Commissioner

A.C. Chieti, Pescara and Teramo

Copy: Delegazione "a S.M.R.E. Chieti"

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Official:

Allied Military Government

A.C.C. Chieti

Civil Affairs Officer

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che che questa A.C.C. tratta con enti militari Italiani dislocati nel-
la giurisdizione di questa Commissione Alleata di Controllo.=

Ufficiali, Delegati direttamente da codesto Ministero sono giun-
ti in questa Zona, giusto gli ordini di codesto, per l'istituzione di
Scuole per la specializzazione di civili, per rimozione campi minati esi-
stenti nelle provincie di questa Regione.=

Questi Ufficiali hanno rappresentato, al nostro Ufficiale di Col-
legamento, numerose difficoltà, in special modo di mezzi.=

Si prega, pertanto, di ascoltare il Tenente Spanpanato (Ufficia-
le di Collegamento) dandogli gli aiuti necessari onde egli possa por-
tare a termine il non semplice compito affidatogli.

Chieti, 1° Novembre 1944

F.to Magg. Maunder

Major Provincial Commissioner

A.C.C. Chieti, Pescara and Teramo

Cppy: Delegazione "a S.M.R.E. Chieti"

P. C. C.

Timbrato

Official:

Allied Military Government

A.C.C. Chieti

Civil Affairs Officer

Per copia conforme.=

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref : AC/53/10

Subject: Mine Clearance

To : Transportation Sub Commission.

Tel. No. 439034

28th July, 1945.

Reference your Inter Office Memo 254/54/Tn 3 dated 27 July. Bid forms completed in quadruplicate are returned to you.

It is noted that the rail move will take place between 6 and 12 Aug to Bologna and that the move will be continued by road to Ferrara from Bologna.

J.R.

R.R. GUYER, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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Copy to: HQ Emilia Region
(attention Lt. MacLach)

Reference: Your letter of 27 July 1964.
27 July. Bid forms completed in quadruplicate are returned to you.

It is noted that the rail move will take place between 6 and 12 Aug to Pologua and that the move will be continued by road to Parrera from Deloyas.

J.R.

R.R. CHAPPEL, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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Cow to: HQ BULLIA Region
(attention Lt. Macleab)

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

23 JUL 1945

Tel : 478701

27 July 1945

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~~44~~/31/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Move of Mine Clearance Personnel

TO : Local Government Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AC/53/LG dated 20 July '45.
2. Movement by rail from Pescara to Bologna will be arranged during the period 6-12 August '45. Date and timings will be advised later.
3. Onward movement from Bologna to Ferrara will be by road.
4. Will you please arrange to have the attached Bid Form for Road Transport completed in quadruplicate, and returned to this office.

For the Director

plc 30/7

C.R. Worthington
C.R. WORTHINGTON,
Major

Copy to : Roads Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AIO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53/LG

27 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : HQ EMILIA Region
(attn.: Lt. MACNAB).

1. From time to time questions have been raised by the Company Commander of the 562 Company that this Company were deficient of clothing.

2. Investigations have been made by Land Forces Sub Commission (EMILIA) which show that the company has only recently drawn clothing to meet its summer requirements.

3. Copy letter from Land Forces Sub Commission dated 23 July alongwith copy letter from the L.O. at Naples dated 19 July are forwarded to you. There are also sent copy receipts given for clothing drawn.

4. Please have the matter investigated and a report rendered by the 562 Coy as to the disposition of the clothing drawn by them.

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R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre
Brig.Gen.P. SUPINO

23 JUL 1945

SUBJECT: Issues to Mine Clearance Coys.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
Q/15/18
23 July 1945.

TO : Civil Affairs Section, Hq Alcom
(Attn: Maj. Reakes).

Reference our Q/15/18 of 16 July 1945.

1. A copy of the report of investigation made by our Liaison Officer in Naples as to the issues made to the Mine Clearance Coys is forwarded herewith for your information.

2. A receipt signed by Ten. Luigi Russo shows that the 562 Mine Clearance Coy received and issue of 209 trousers K.D., 418 undershirts and 418 drawers on 24 May 45.

3. In view of the above issue the following items released on authorization notices AQ/45-ITI/486 and AQ/ITI-ITI/851 are hereby cancelled.

on AQ/45-ITI/486: 116 A Trousers Cotton - 200
on AQ/ITI-ITI/851: Drawers, Cotton - 400

4. It is requested that a report be rendered by 562 Mine Clearance Coy as to the disposition of the clothing received on the attached "Receipt for Clothing" dated 24 May 1945.

Ira V. Fordyce
IRA V. FORDYCE, Captain
for Colonel DQMG
Land Forces Sub Commission

IVF/ag

Copy to:
Ministry of War
MMIA LO Naples
ORD Records.

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C O P Y

Subject: Issues to Mine Clearance Coys.

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
AQ/4/RC

19 July 1945.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

1. Reference your letter Q/15/18, 16 July 1945 subject as above.
2. Thorough investigation was made concerning the disposition of clothing drawn against authorizations mentioned in your letter. Following findings are forwarded for your information.
3. Attached find true copies made of the receipts held by the 10th Genio Regt. for clothing issued by them to the Mine Clearance Coys. You will note that clothing was issued to units as intended by your authorizations. Please also note that issues were quite equitable.
4. If the 562 Mine Clearance Coy is in a deplorable state as regards to clothing, as stated in your letter, it is quite apparent that no control is being exercised within the company as to proper use of the clothing. It is pointed out that the total authorized strength of the 562 Mine Clearance Coy is 209. Also the company is 10% understrength. As will be noted by attached "Receipt for Clothing" the 562 Mine Clearance Coy received 418 sets of underclothing on 24 May 1945. This was only 48 days ago. What is the expected life of underclothing?
5. It is believed that possibly some misleading information was submitted to you as to the condition of the clothing of this particular company.
6. In view of the above, it is suggested that an investigation be made as to the ultimate disposition of the clothing issued. This office will withhold issue on authorization notices AQ/45-ITI/486 and AQ/ITI-ITI/851 until further instructions are received from you.

Sgd. GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Lt. Col., Infantry 220
Senior Liaison Officer

ANL/jlm

- 6 Incls: - 5 True Copies of "Receipt for Clothing" forms.
1 Translation of letter consigning clothing to Mine Coys.

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DEPOSITO 3 REGGIMENTO GENIO
MAGAZZINO V.E.

SUBJECT: Request of Cancellation from Books of No. 2 GR.A. for Summer Uniforms.

On 7th June last, this depot consigned to the 561 Mine Sweeping Unit, addressed P.M. 112 the u/m summer clothing which was forwarded by your HQ for the said unit:

Trousers, C.D.	209
Drawers, Cotton	418
Vests, Cotton	418

among which was other unwearable materials.

With the same shipment, the following was also received:

Trousers, C.D.	30
Vests, Cotton	60
Drawers, Cotton	60

for the "Mine Clearing Center of Rome."

Afterwards we received other clothing object, to be put aside and hold it as the disposal of the above "Mine Clearing Center" the objects received were:

Trousers, Cotton V.O.	100
Vests, Cotton	200
Drawers, Cotton	200

among which were three undershirts and three drawers unwearable.

In order to be able to sign the receipt of the u/m clothing, it is necessary that all the unwearable objects be substituted or otherwise allow this depot to correct the amount on the Acceptance Note subtracting from the total amount on the number of unwearable objects.

In the meantime, we forward you the Indent for Stores signed by the C.O. of the unit, for the stores consigned to the 561st Mine Sweeping Unit, while for the stores received for the Mine Clearing Center in Rome, as soon as the unit will provide for the collection, we shall return the Indent forwarded to us.

We enclose the annulled Indent forwarded for the 561st u/m outfit because it was replaced by the original copy sent by the unit.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

27 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission (WMIA).

1. There are four Italian Mine Clearing Companies, Nos 561, 562, 563 and 564. The 561 Company is in LIGURIA Region (in GENOVA), the 562 and 563 Companies are in EMILIA Region (in BOLOGNA) and the 564 Company will shortly be moved to EMILIA Region but at present is stationed at PESCARA.

2. It is proposed to leave the 562, 563 and 564 Companies in EMILIA Region which will shortly be handed back to the Italian Government. The Companies will not be required further in AMG territory.

3. These units appear in your Order of Battle as A.C. Units and it is considered that this would be a suitable opportunity for transferring the Companies (except the 561 Company) to the Ministry of War control. Before however, taking any steps in the matter please say if you have any instructions in the matter.

R.R.
R.R. CRIFFS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53.2/LG

27 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : LIGURIA Region
(attn.: Capt. SHORT).

Reference your LXC of 20 July 45.

1. The question of bonus for mines lifted and destroyed has been the subject of conversations with the Ministry of War. The bonus is to be restored for all mines lifted or destroyed after 1st June.
2. The bonus will be 15 lire per mine whether the mine is lifted or destroyed in situ.
3. The other companies have not been getting bonus since 1st June either. No distinction exists between the companies as to pay or in any conditions.
4. It was considered that 2/Lt. BELLI being a most experienced mine Officer should assume temporary Command until the new commander is appointed. It was not known that Lt. POTENZA was senior but if you consider that Lt. POTENZA is a suitable officer to assume temporary Command, please signal this HQ, to this effect and it will be arranged.
5. All mines will be destroyed and there must be no storage or collecting in dumps.

R.R. CRIPPS Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commi

Copy to: Ministry of War
Via XX Settembre

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref : AC/53:2/10

Tel. No. 489081

Subject: Mine Clearance

To : HQ Emilia Region
(attention Lt Macleab)
HQ Liguria Region
(attention Captain Short)

1. An accident occurred recently in which a dump of mines (stored in a building in a very populous area) blew up. There were over 90 casualties of which 36 were fatal.
2. Instructions have already been issued (verbal and written) that mines must be destroyed and NOT stored. You will therefore ensure that these instructions are repeated to the Mine Clearance Companies and to the Zones and Sub Zones which are under your instructions.
3. In addition you will make certain that no dumps or stores of mines have been created by the Companies or Zones. If there are any, steps will be immediately taken by you to have them destroyed.
4. The purpose of storing mines would appear to be that of salvaging the explosives for re-sale to quarry owners (for blasting), farmers (as fertilizers) and fishermen.
5. Prefects should be warned of the danger of storing mines and advised to destroy all dumps which may have been created.
6. If any Contractors are known to be in your Region they should be informed that all mines lifted by them must be destroyed and that no attempt will be made to salvage the explosives.

/amw.

R.R. GIPPS
R.R. GIPPS, Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

Copy to: HQ VENETIE Region
HQ LOMBARDIA Region
HQ PIEMONTE REGION
The Ministry of War, Via XX Settembre, Rome
(attention Gen. Supino).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

Ref : AC/53-2/LG

Tel. No. 489081

Subject: Mine Clearance - 562/3
Mine Clearance Companies.

26th July, 1945.

To : HQ EMILIA Region
(attention Lt. MacNab)

1. Before further territory is handed over to the Italian Government it is considered that the position of the 562/3 Italian Mine Clearance Companies should be clarified.
2. As no approval has been given for the formation of a battalion and as it is not now considered necessary the title "No. 1 Battalion" will no longer be used.
3. Captain Spompanato will be OC No. 562 Italian Mine Clearance Coy. and will be responsible for that Company. He will have no concern with the 563 Coy.
4. The present OC No. 563 Coy Italian Mine Clearance Company will remain OC of this Company if you consider this advisable and will take orders direct from you and be responsible to you for carrying them out.
5. When further territory is handed back it will be necessary to make arrangements with the Italian Government for the future administration of these companies including the 564 Coy which will shortly be moved into Emilia Region. It might be considered advisable to place the Companies under control of the Zone but please forward your views by return.

/amw.

R.R. CHIFFS, Colonel.,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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THE MINISTRY OF WAR
Direction Gen. Engineers B.C. Central Office.

Rome 2/7/1945.

FILE: No. 8/74142.
Enclosures: 1
SUBJECT: Private payment to B.C.M. labourers.

24 JUL 1945

To the B.C.M. Zone Command of EMILIA.

Bologna (Via Zamboni 13)

and for information

To Command Genio Militare Territoriale di Bologna

P.M. 225

It appears that in the Provinces of Forlì and Ravenna, the local inspectors of Agriculture force the proprietors of mine-cleared areas to pay a certain sum to the B.C.M. workers, and to supply them with food and lodging.

We beg to stress that said workers are paid by the Military Administration and therefore ~~no~~ compensation is due to them by the owners of the areas ~~under~~ mine-clearance operations.

The same is meant for the food, for which the labourers must provide directly, since they are allowed the special ration referred to in the special circular File: 45 n. A/IV/5558 dated 9th May 1945 of the Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione, and referred to in letters n. 8/73143 of the 30/5/45 and n. 8/73338 of the 6/June 1945 of this Ministry's.

may ~~must~~ be asked ~~to~~ local civil authorities and private owners (transportation, sanitary assistance, lodgings etc.) it is necessary to avoid any possible abuse in this delicate question.

For this purpose we attach copy of circular n. 67 File I/9943 of the 21/6/1945 that the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry - specially interpellated by this Ministry - has sent to the ~~periferical~~ branches of said Central Administration in order to avoid any inconvenience of this kind.

We now ask your Command to kindly take up the matter with the Prefectures of Forlì and Ravenna so that all the communes, in which mine-clearance operations are carried out, be informed of all the above.

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[Signature]

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO
Ufficio Centrale P.C.M.

N° 8/74142 di protocollo

Allegati n°1

OCCORRENZA: Pagamento da parte di privati
agli operai della P.C.M.-

Roma, li 27/1945

AL COMANDO ZONA BONIFICA CAMPI MINATI DELL'EMILIA
= B O I C G N A = (Via Zamboni 13)

e, per conoscenza;

AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI BOLOGNA
= P. M. 225 =

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Risulta che nelle provincie di Forlì e Ravenna, i locali ispettorati dell'Agricoltura obbligano i proprietari dei terreni bonificati a pagare una certa quota agli operai rastrellatori del Servizio P.C.M. ed a fornire agli stessi gratuitamente vitto ed alloggio.-

In proposito, è da tener presente che certi operai sono salariati dell'Amministrazione Militare e che pertanto nessun compenso è ad essi dovuto da parte dei proprietari dei terreni soggetti all'opera di bonifica.-

Altrettanto dicasi per il vitto, al quale devono provvedere ^{di fatto} gli operai rastrellatori, cui è concessa la speciale razione contemplata dall'ap-
posta circolare n.45 del prot.n.A/IV/5558 in data 9 maggio u.s. dell'Alto
Commissariato dell'Alimentazione, di cui ai fogli di questo Ministero n°
8/73143 e n.8/73338 rispettivamente del 30/5 e 6/6 c.a.-

Tenuto restando pertanto il concetto che ogni possibile ausilio deve

Risulta che nelle provincie di Forlì e Ravenna, i locali ispettorati dell'Agricoltura obbligano i proprietari dei terreni bonificati a pagare una certa quota agli operai rastrellatori del Servizio P.C.M. ed a fornire agli stessi gratuitamente vitto ed alloggio.-

In proposito, è da tener presente che detti operai sono salariati dell'Amministrazione Militare e che pertanto nessun compenso è ad essi dovuto da parte dei proprietari dei terreni soggetti all'opera di bonifica.-

Altrettanto dicasi per il vitto, al quale devono provvedere ^{direttamente} gli operai rastrellatori, cui è concessa la speciale razione contemplata dall'apposita circolare n. 45 di prot. n. A/IV/5556 in data 9 maggio u.s. dell'Alto Commissariato dell'Alimentazione, da cui ai fogli di questo Ministero no 6/73143 e n. 6/73338 rispettivamente del 10/5 e 6/6 c.a.-

Fermo restando per tanto il concetto che ogni possibile ausilio deve essere richiesto, per il migliore svolgimento del servizio, alle locali autorità civili ed ai privati proprietari (mezzi di trasporto, assistenza sanitaria, alloggiamenti ecc.), è necessario evitare ogni possibile abuso nella delicata materia.-

21.
All'uopo si ritiene opportuno allegare copia della circolare n. 67, prot. I/9943 del 21/6/1945, che il Ministero dell'Agricoltura e delle Foreste - appositamente interessato da questo Ministero - ha inviato agli organi periferici di detta Amministrazione Centrale, onde ovviare all'inconveniente in parola.-

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Ciò premesso, si prega copesto Comando voler interessare in proposito le Prefetture di Forlì e Ravenna, affinché tutti i comuni in cui si svolgono i lavori di bonifica siano ecotti di quanto

sopra.-

Per copia conforme

L'Ufficiale addetto

P. IL MINISTRO
F/to Gen. di Div. C. Crivaro

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO

Ufficio Centrale S.C.M.

N. 874409 di prot.

Roma, 11

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ALL'A.C. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS SUB COMMISSION

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.....per informazione.-

P. IL MINISTRO
(Gen. di Div. C. Crivaro)

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Copy Circular N. 67

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
Direct. Gen. Agriculture Production.

Rome 21st June 1945

Divis. I File 9943

Subject Payment not due to E.C.M. labourers.

To Inspectors Provincial of Agriculture and for inform. AGLI ISPETTORI AGRARI
COMPARTIMENTALI Direz. Gen. del Genio - Ufficio Centrale E.C.M. R O M A
ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE GENERALE DELLA BONIFICA E DELLA COLONIZZAZIONE S E D E

The Ministry of war I which has undertaken the task of the mine clearance - warns that no compensation is due, by the owners of the areas, to the E.C.M. civilian labourers, since they are payed by the Military Administration or by Specialised companies, which have stipulated regular contracts with said administration.

Will you please inform the farmers concerned about the above.

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CIRCOLARE N. 67

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MINISTERO DELLA AGRICOLTURA E DELLE FORESTE
Direz. Gen. della Produzione Agricola

Divis. I Prot. 9943

Roma, 21 gennaio 1945

OCCORRENZA: Pagamento non dovuto agli operai sottoposti
alla bonifica dei campi minati.

c. p.c.

AGLI INSPECTORI PROVINCIALI DELLA AGRICOLTURA
AGLI DIRETTORI AGRARI COMPARTIMENTALI
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz. Gen. del Genio
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M. R.O.M.A.
ALLA DIREZIONE CENTRALE DELLA BONIFICA
E DELLA COLONIZZAZIONE S.S.D.E.

Il Ministero della Guerra - che si è assunto
il compito di provvedere alla bonifica dei campi
minati ed alla rimozione di ordigni esplosivi spar-
si - avverte che nessun compenso è dovuto, da par-
te dei proprietari terrieri, agli operai civili e
rastrellatori di mine, essendo questi già pagati
dall'Amministrazione Militare. Dette special-
lizzate che con la detta Amministrazione hanno sti-
pulato regolari contratti.

La S.V. vorrà dar notizia di quanto sopra agli
agricoltori interessati.

IL MINISTRO
Fausto Gullo

Per copia conforme
Ufficio addetto
[Signature]

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C O P I A

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale del Genio
Ufficio Centrale E.C.M.

Rome, 26 June, 1945

Prot.n. 8/74216

SUBJECT : Supplementary insurance for accidents on work.

TO : ~~LOCAL GOVERNMENT Sub-Commission~~ *Sent to all Zones - Copy to this Sub-Commission for info only.*

Owing to the extension of the daily risk indemnity to the labourers of the E.C.M. Zone Commands (in equal measure as the one paid to the E.C.M. labourers allocated in Italian administered territory, i.e. Lire 250 gross), the mine clearers of E.C.M. Zones of Emilia and Liguria will receive an indemnity which has been proposed by this Ministry and authorized by the Ministry of Treasury - for labourers in said territory - in order to enable each labourer, within the laws and regulation in force, to cover his risks by himself by taking up an insurance with anyone of the private insurance institutes.

So, the labourers of the E.C.M. Sub Zone of Pisa have already stipulated a collective contract for three months with the "Assicurazione D'Italia" - a Society attached to the I.N.A. - which contemplates the covering of death risks with Lire 100,000 and of those of permanent total invalidity with Lire 125,000 (proportionally reduced on the basis of proper coefficients established by the present laws on accidents) against payment of Lire 14.35 daily per worker, for the first three months, and reduced by the 20% after such period.

Appropriate arrangements are being made for the workers of the other zones.

In order to facilitate this form of prevention for the said Zone Commands and to hasten its application, seen the difficulties found by the Zone Commands Liguria against the stipulation on the spot of the respective contract - this Ministry, in accord with Major Roques of the R.G. Local Government Sub Commission has at once attended to all necessary so that all the workers of the Zone Commands have their accident risks covered by a supplementary insurance equal to the above mentioned one, starting at 1300 of tomorrow 27 June 1945.

The two contracts in question attached in original have been agreed upon with the society Assicurazione d'Italia (with which the workers of Pisa have taken up insurance) which has consented that said contracts, although lacking of the signatures of the representatives of the workers - in whose names these contracts were stipulated - should become immediately effective, as said above upon payment of the anticipated premium.

In order to put into effect such a convenient possibility it has been disposed that the Direzione Lavori Genio Militare of Rome provide within tomorrow morning, for the said payment of Lire 255,902.35 for the contract of 216 workers of Liguria and Lire 221,675.00 for those of Emilia, and asking later the re-

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bursement of said sums from the different Zone Commands concerned.

Said Commands will cover the expenses through corresponding fortnightly deductions from the depending workers.

It will be kept present that the sums paid by the Direzione Lavori di Roma are sent, without however altering the validity of the contract for all the workers - for only 60 workers for the Liguria Zone and 50 workers for the Emilia Zone, force that has been presently communicated to the Insurance Company lacking exact figures - in order to avoid covering the risks of a number of workers higher than the one actually on service.

As it appears from the instructions given by said institute - attached to the contract - your Command shall have to complete the filling up of the Polizza in the local office of the said institute communicate to the latter the exact nominatives of all the workers on service up to the present date and pay the difference of premium which will have to be paid as according to the number of labourers indicated in the polizza and those actually on service.

The Commandi Zona concerned, in the case of new personnel being engaged, ~~and~~ in the case the number of new employments is compensated by dismissals, will see that no further premium shall be paid but they shall only communicate the nominatives of the new employees and the nominatives of those being substituted.

It is hardly necessary to mention that deductions shall be made from the worker's salaries also for the sums paid by the Zone Commands to the local branches of the insurance institutes directly.

Please acknowledge receipt of attached contracts and assure compliance with the above.

P. IL MINISTRO
S/ Gen. Divisione O. CRIVARO -

*Action has been completed
on this jpk*

C O P I

Roma, 6 Giugno 1945

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
UFFIZIO GENERALE DEL GENIO
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

Prot.n. 8/74216

OGGETTO: Assicurazione suppletiva contro gli infortuni sul lavoro.-

AL COMANDO ZONA B.C.M. LIGURIA
presso A.M.G. Liguria Region-Folazzo Naviglio
= GENOVA =
"Italia" Piazza
de Ferrari

AL COMANDO ZONA B.C.M. EMILIA
= BOLOGNA =
Via Zamboni, 13

c. per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI GENOVA P.M. 216
AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI BOLOGNA P.M. 225
ALLA DIREZIONE LAVORI GENIO DI GENOVA P.M. 216
ALLA DIREZIONE LAVORI GENIO DI BOLOGNA P.M. 225

Con l'avvenuta estensione agli operai dei Comandi Zona B.C.M. in indirizzo della indennità giornaliera di rischio in misura pari a quella corrisposta agli operai B.C.M. dislocati in territorio re-stituito all'Amministrazione Italiana (L.250 lorde) i rastrellatori di mine delle Zone B.C.M. dell'Emilia e Liguria vengono a beneficiare di una indennità che è stata proposta da questo Ministero ed autorizzata da quello del Tesoro - per gli operai che si trovano nel citato terri-torio - allo scopo di consentire a ciascun operaio, nel quadro delle leg-gi e dei regolamenti in vigore, di coprirsi per proprio conto dei rischi del lavoro contraendo una assicurazione suppletiva presso una qualsiasi Società privata di assicurazioni.

In tale ordine di idee gli operai della Sottozona B.C.M. di Pisa hanno già stipulato un contratto collettivo della durata di tre mesi con le "Assicurazioni d'Italia" - Società collegata con l'I.N.A. - che prevede la copertura dei rischi di morte in L.100.000 e di quelli di invalidità permanente totale in L.125.000 (proporzionalmente ridotta in base agli opposti coefficienti stabiliti dalla vigente legge sugli

AL COMANDO ZONA B.C.M. EMILIA

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Per gli operai delle altre Zone sono in corso le rela-tive trattative.

Nell'intento di facilitare detta forma di previdenza per gli operai del Comando Zona in indirizzo ed affrettarne l'attuazio-ne - viste le difficoltà incontrate dal Comando Zona Liguria per la sti-pulazione sul posto del relativo contratto - questo Ministero, d'intesa con il Magg. Reals dell'H.Q.Allied Commission Local Government, ha prov-veduto senz'altro ai necessari incombenti col che tutti gli

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Comandi Zona in indirizzo sono coperti dei rischi di infortunio con una assicurazione suppletiva identica a quella sopracitata, a decorrere dalle ore 12 di domani 27 giugno 1945.

I due contratti relativi - allegati in originale - sono stati concordati con la stessa Società "Le Assicurazioni d'Italia" dove si sono assicurati gli operai di Pisa, la quale ha consentito che i contratti suddetti, pur mancando della firma dei rappresentanti degli operai - in nome dei quali tali contratti sono stati stipulati - possano avere immediato vigore come sopra detto col pagamento del relativo premio anticipato.

Per realizzare tale conveniente possibilità è stato pertanto disposto che la Direzione Lavori Genio Militare di Roma provveda entro domattina al detto pagamento nella somma di L. 2.265.902,35 per il contratto degli operai della Liguria e L. 221.675,60 per quelli dell'Emilia chiedendo poscia il rimborso di dette somme ad ognuno dei Comandi Zona interessati.

Detti Comandi si reintegreranno poi della spesa mediante corrispondenti trattenute quindicinali agli operai dipendenti.

Al riguardo si terrà presente che le somme pagate dalla Direzione Lavori Roma si riferiscono - senza peraltro pregiudicare in alcun modo la validità del contratto a tutti gli operai - a soli 60 operai per la Zona Liguria e 50 operai per la Zona Emilia, forza prudentemente segnalata alla Società di Assicurazione - in mancanza di precisi dati - per evitare di coprire di rischi un numero di operai maggiore di quello in servizio.

Come risulta dalle istruzioni impartite dalla predetta Società - allegate al contratto - codesto Comando dovrà provvedere a completare la polizza presso la sede locale della citata Società comunicando alla medesima gli esatti nominativi di tutti gli operai in servizio alla data odierna e versando la differenza di premio che risulterà doversi pagare in relazione al numero degli operai indicati nella polizza e quello effettivamente in servizio.

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Pregasi accusare ricevuta dei contratti allegati e assicurare l'ottemperanza di quanto sopra.



P. IL MINISTRO
P/to Gen.Div.O.Crivaro

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Reg. Rivini

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53/LG

24 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : HQ VENEZUELA Region  
(attn.: Capt. FOSTER).

Your letter RXII/PS/9.26 of 16 July 45 has  
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Sub-Commission for attention.

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R.H. CRIPPS Colonel  
Director  
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53/LG

24 July 45.

SUBJECT: Ministry of War  
Via XX Settembre  
ROME

1. HQ Piemonte Region are desirous of having attached to their Headquarters Lt. Stefano COLONNA.

2. Lt. COLONNA was formerly assigned to the Italian Intelligence Liaison Unit Nucleo I AH.G.S.I. (cl) Main 8th Army and AH, to 43 Gurkha Bde. 218 BH. It is believed that he is now in ROME at present <sup>not</sup> employed but at the disposal of your Ministry.

3. Lt. COLONNA speaks English and HQ PIEMONTE Region would like him made available to them for several investigations in connection with TODT Storage yards, reports on mine clearance, and location of minefields etc.

4. If this officer is not employed at present may he be attached to PIEMONTE Region for temporary duty?

*Stewart Cripps*  
S. S. CRIPPS Colonel  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War  
Via XX Settembre  
Brig. Gen. F. SUPINO  
HQ PIEMONTE Region (Your PR/ENG/20.1  
of 18 July refers).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/53/LG

24 July 45.

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : Ministry of War  
Via XX Settembre  
ROME

There is forwarded to you for record purposes  
a pro forma giving the location of mines found in the  
Province of FLORENCE. You may wish to forward it to  
the Zone HQ in FLORENCE.

*Rh*  
R.S. CRIPPS Colonel  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission



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SERVIZIO BONIFICA CAMPI MINATI  
COMANDO ZONA LIGURIA

N. di prot.  
Ref. al foglio N. INC/  
del

GENOVA. 20 Luglio 1945  
PALAZZO NAVIGLIO - ITALIA  
MURRO A. M. G. TELEF. 130017

OGGETTO: 561 Italian M.C. Coy

to : Local Government Sub Commission. ✓

24 JUL 1945

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*Overseer*  
*W. H. Bellu*  
Captain R.A.S.C.  
Mines Disposal Officer

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*W. H. Bellu*



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del \_\_\_\_\_

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OROSIO A. M. G. - TELEF. 2-017

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 Captain R.A.S.O.  
 Mines Disposal Officer

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 512

CJM/sw

22 JUL 1945

20 July 1945

G-5: 230.4-13

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference is your AC/53/LG of 13 July 1945.

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For Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

C. J. MACNAMARA,  
Major, P. C.

N76 Macnamara  
JPK

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RENATO DONATI

VIA ABBADIE 100 - TEL. 420 725  
420 950

ROMA

CAP. 2400

Allora 60996

TO MJR REEKS

MEMORANDUM ON THE ACTUAL SITUATION OF THE DONATI'S MINE-LIFTING APPARATUS

The past months thought many severe difficulties of all kind (materials, weldings, transports ..etc..) the work went on steadily.--

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We shall be ready, then, to start the effective clearing of mine fields.

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Truly yours

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Rome, July 20 th

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HEADQUARTERS  
PIEMONTE REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
APO 394  
P.W.&U. DIVISION

*Local Fort 5/c*

23 JUL 1945

PR/ENG/ 201

18 July 1945

SUBJECT : Assignment of personnel  
TO : AC HQ Civil Affairs Section

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*C. R. Birchett*

C R BIRCHETT  
Colonel CE  
Regional Engineer  
Piemonte

*24/7*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/53/LG

20 July 45

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance

TO : Transportation Sub Commission (Rail)

1. May arrangements please be made for the move of the 564 Italian Mine Clearance Company from PESCARA to FERRARA. Personnel 150 all ranks, baggage 5 tons.
2. Please advise this Sub Commission of the exact date of the move.
3. The Mine Clearance Officer at EMILIA Region is advising the company that they will probably move during the week 6-12 August.

*pk*  
R.R. CRIPPS Colonel  
Director  
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy to: Ministry of War  
Via 1<sup>a</sup> Settembre  
HQ EMILIA Region  
(attn.: Lt. A. MACNAB).

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Ministry of War

14/7/45

SUBJECT: Mobile Museum

TO : Local Government S/C

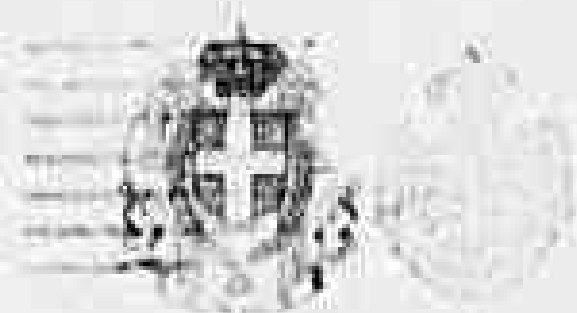
Reference your letter AC/53/LG we express our gratitude for the offer.

This Ministry agrees that the mobile museum would be very useful in the training of personnel and to the personnel engaged on mine clearance work/

Will you please give us farther notices.

For the Minister  
O. CRIVARO





*Ministero della Guerra*  
DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO  
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

*Decreto*  
*Reg. 1.8/4605*

53 Roma 14. 7. 1945 26  
A' A.C.Hqs - LOCAL GOV.  
SUB COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394

Risposta al f. del 9 c.m.  
Per Per V AC/53/LG

Oggetto: Mostra mobile bonifica mine.-

Si accusa ricevuta delle comunicazioni di cui al foglio sopra citato e si ringrazia codesta Sottocommissione della cortese offerta.

Questo Ministero concorda nel ritenere la Mostra mobile procedimenti bonifica mine di notevole utilità per l'addestramento del personale addetto alla bonifica stessa.

Si resta in attesa di ulteriori notizie in proposito.-

p. IL MINISTRO

*Spriam*

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MINISTRY OF WAR

17 July 45

Subject: Fuel for flamethrowers.

To : AG Local Government S/C

Reference your AG/35/LG of 25 May 45 this Direzione Generale has at his disposition

2 cans of 18 lt of fuel for flamethrowers, which are necessary for the AMG Region 70s and for the use of a flamethrower.

The above material can be collected at the Direzione Artiglieria - Sez "C" Via Castro Laurenziano 7.

By order of the  
Director

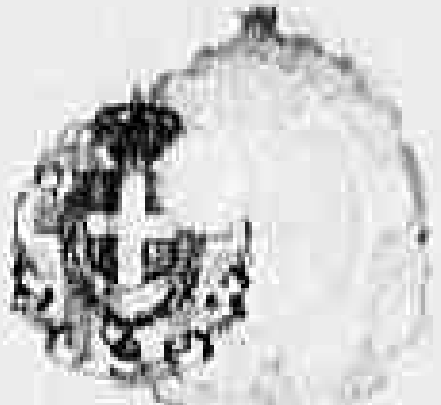
Col. G. Campagna

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*JPL*



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Ministero della Guerra  
DIREZIONE GENERALE ARTIGLIERIA  
e Motorizzazione

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
Direz. Generale Genio  
Uff. Centrale B.C.M.

Permessi 24 8-06-34  
Per 4/10 Allegati

Rapporto al f. del  
Dir. 1°

S E D E

Oggetto Carburante per impiego lanciafiamme -

e, per conoscenza :

All' A.C.-Local Gouvernement Sub Comma. - A.F.O. 394  
(Rifer. A.C/E 35/LG del 25/5/ c.a.)

Alla Direzione Artiglieria - Sezione "C"  
del C.M.T. di

R O M A

Seguito n° 18778/290 del 20/6/ u.s.

A scioglimento della riserva dell'ultimo capo verso, cotesta Direzione Generale può disporre il ritiro di

- N. 2 bidoncini da lt. 18 pieni di liquido lanciafiamme

occorrenti per la A.M.G. della Regione toscana - V zona - per l'impiego di un lanciafiamme nei lavori di B.C.M.

Detto materiale può essere ritirato presso la Direzione Artiglieria - Sez. "C" - Via Castro Laurenziano 7.

d'ordine  
IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE  
( Col. G. Campagna )

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*[Signature]*

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# TRAINING AIDS FOR DISPOSAL

## 1. MINE WARFARE AIDS - Available on 31 Jul 45.

|                                           |        |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| Mine Training Portfolios (S/M/E.England)  | 10 No. |
| A.F.H.Q. Engr Sec Posters                 |        |
| No. 1 Schummine and Italian 1 lb A. Pers. | 60     |
| No. 2 Holzmine                            | 28     |
| No. 3 3 C.S. 2 (Italian 4 Igniter Mine)   | 50     |
| No. 4 Topfmine                            | 4      |
| No. 5 R. Mine 43                          | 9      |
| No. 6 Spreng Riegel 8 kg Mine             | 10     |
| No. 8.T; Mi.43                            | 5      |
| No. 9 T.M1 .35 (Steel)                    | 7      |
| No. 10 T.M1.42                            | 10     |
| No. 11 Switch No. 12 MK I                 | 8      |
| U.K. Coloured Posters                     | 3      |

One complete set of Lecture Room Diagrams, Large Scale, showing cross section of practically every mine and Igniter; parts distinguished in Distinctive Colours.

Two boards with Enemy Igniters mounted and labelled including:-  
 ZZ 35, ZZ 42, Zu ZZ 35, BZ39, Nb BZ 38, NbZZ 39, ANZ's 29 and 39 made up with adapters for safety fuze, BZE39, DZ35a, Italian 1 lb A; Pers. Mine Igniter, Italian Bakelite Igniter, ES Mi.2 40 and electric Bridge, W adaptor for S. Mine with S.M1 235 and ZZ 35's, Y Adaptor for S. Mi.

One board showing Cordtex Joints

Two Boards showing all German Grenades and their Igniters mounted

One Board with photographs mounted showing booby traps

One Canvas Strip 10x x 2x coloured to show a road for clearance drill and wooden blocks representing R.F. Section.

One canvas area representing mined area or area for mine laying; Amplifiers for demonstrating tuning of Mine Detectors

V BZ 2/4



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|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Mains operated   | 1 |
| Battery operated | 1 |

Gap markers for sand table model (approx 1/10th scale)

|         |    |     |
|---------|----|-----|
| British | 12 | 196 |
| German  | 8  |     |

Operating diagrams (coloured - parts slide to demonstrate)-

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| T. Mi. Z35           | 1 |
| S. Mi. Z35           | 1 |
| Wooden model of Z235 | 1 |

## 2. BOMB DISPOSAL AIDS - Available on 31 July 45

|                                                              |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Lecture Room diagrams                                        | 1 set |
| Chart showing method of bomb recce                           | 1     |
| Box for charging German fuses                                | 1     |
| Electric device with bulb to show comparative sensitivity of |       |



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3. FIELD ENGINEERING AIDS - Available on 30 JUN 45.

Class Room Diagrams (one of each) for Standing Derrick, Swinging Derricks, Systems of Blocks and Tackles, Splinter proof Shelters.

MODEL ROOM

Model showing trestle bent and timber construction and anchorages.

Model showing use of fixed lever lashed trestle model

Board and Pole charges

Model Wall with Model board charges

Model Panther Tank and wade charge

Model of Timber cribbing

Model showing parts in road construction

Model of Mt. TIFA TA

4. BRIDGING INSTRUCTIONAL AIDS - Available on 15 JUL 45

Diagrams  
(one of each)

Distributing Beam

Chord Jack MK II

" MK III

Triple Storey Construction

Typical Grillage Construction

PHOTOGRAPHS

10" x 8 - es forwarded to ETE in early June

ILLUSTRATIVE MODELS ( one of each)

Motor cycle chain model to show principles of continuous bridges.

Cardboard model of 80' D.S. Bridge to show launching problems.

MODELS

American Timber Trestle and R.S.J. Bridge

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American Timber Trestle and R.S.J. Bridge  
Reft (improvised) using 40 gal drums  
Bailey Bridge complete with accessories at 1/4 scale

5. TECH WING AIDS - available in Mid September

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Instructional Diagrams

Bedford Engine Lubrication  
Fordson Tractor Transmission  
A.O. Petrol Pump  
Differential  
MULTI plate Clutch Adjustment 7/10 Concrete Mixer  
The two stroke cycle  
Master Cylinder (Hydraulic Brakes)  
Bedford Gear Box  
Four Stroke Engine  
Vacuum. Servo ( Brakes)  
Carburettor (English)  
Auto Vac (Petrol System)  
Single Plate Clutch



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Transfer Gear Box (Bedford)  
 Rear and Front Brakes (Hydraulic)  
 Manifold Thermostat (Bedford): Combustion Chamber  
 Magneto Ignition (Four stroke)  
 Temperature Control (Bedford)  
 Fuel System (D.1 Diesel Pile Driver  
 Hammer " " "  
 No. 2 Wiring Set : Leads and Fittings  
 Wiring Lights (Bedford)  
 Lead Acid Cell : Battery  
 Transmission: Travelling Gears (10 R.B. Excavator)  
 Diesel Engine (Atomiser)  
 Lubrication Chart (10 R.B. Excavator)  
 Air Start 19 R.B. Excavator  
 Fuel System 19 R.B. Excavator  
 Rope Reeving Skimmer Scoop (19 R.B.)  
 " " Crowd Shovel " "

Digger Lock (19 R.B.)  
 Steering Mechanism (10 R.B.)  
 Travelling Brake " "  
 Rope Reeving Drag Shovel 19 R.B.  
 " " Drag Line Boom Suspension  
 Lubrication Chart (19 R.B.)  
 Fuel Pump (19 R.B. 2 types  
 Fordson Lubrication Splash System  
 Borg & Beck Clutch  
 Transmission Travelling Gears (19 R.B.)  
 Governors (19 R.B.)  
 Charging Set 550 Watt  
 " " 2260 "

Hydrometer  
 Method of determining level of Electrolyte  
 Lubrication System (Fully Forced)  
 Ignition (6 cylinder Bedford)  
 Pre-combustion chamber Fuel Injection Valve (Diesel Engine  
 Lubrication System (D.4 Tractor)

# SECTIONED MODELS

Digger Lock (19 R.B.)

Steering Mechanism (10 R.B.)

Travelling Brake "

Rope Reeving Drag Shovel 19 R.B.

" " Drag Line Boom Suspension

Lubrication Chart (19 R.B.)

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#### SECTIONED MODELS

Twin jet Carburettor (Italian)

Auto Vac ( British)

Solex Carburettor ( British)

Ford "

A.C. Oil Filter - 3 types

Coil Ignition

A.C. Pump Petrol

" Cut-out Bedford

Magneto 2 types

Multi Jet Carburettor (Italian)

Hydraulic Brake system

Motor Cycle Cylinder Block

Single Plate Type Clutch

Hydraulic Brake Shoe Assembly

Gear Box ( Bedford)

Half Shafts (Bedford)

Differential Assembly (Bedford)

Single Plate Clutch (Bedford)



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Gear Box (FIAT Italian)  
Engine, Gear Box, Transmission (MORRIS)  
Valve Assembly (Morris)  
Pistons (3 types)  
Con. Rods 2 types  
Boom Drag Line (Excavator)  
I.P. 6 Cylinder Engine (Italian)  
Fiat 4 Cylinder Engine (Italian)  
Austin Engine (British)  
Tractor Diesel (Caterpillar)  
Dumper (Muirhill)

6. TRAINING AIDS

|           |                       |   |
|-----------|-----------------------|---|
| Box No. 1 | Panzermine 42         | 1 |
|           | 12.5 kg Hollow Charge | 1 |
|           | C.V.P. Mine           | 1 |
|           | Tunisian Mine         | 1 |
|           | Japanese Knee Bomb    | 1 |
|           | " Hand Grenade        | 1 |

|             |                                     |   |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Crate No. 1 | German Panzer Holz Mine             | 1 |
| (P.F.E.)    | " 12.5 Kg: Hollow Charge            | 1 |
|             | Hungarian C.V.C. Mine with Igniters | 1 |
|             | Japanese Knee Bomb                  | 1 |
|             | " Hand Grenade                      | 1 |

|              |                                     |   |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Crate No. 2. | German Tellermine 35 No 1 with fuze | 1 |
| (P/F.E.)     | " 35 Steel "                        | 1 |
|              | " 12.5 Kg Hollow Charge             | 1 |
|              | Picric Charge                       | 1 |
|              | Tyro Burster                        | 1 |
|              | 3 Detonating Cord                   | 1 |
|              | Italian Pignone Mine (Type B)       | 1 |

|             |                        |   |
|-------------|------------------------|---|
| Crate No. 3 | German D.Z. 35 Igniter | ) |
| (P.F.E.)    | " 22 42                | ) |
|             | " 342 35               | ) |

Tunisian Mine 1  
Japanese Knee Bomb 1  
" Hand grenade 1

Crate No. 1  
(F.F.E.)  
German Panzer Hole Mine 1  
" 12.5 Kg: Hollow Charge 1  
Hungarian C.V.C. Mine with Igniters 1  
Japanese Knee Bomb 1  
" Hand Grenade 1

Crate No. 2.  
(F.F.E.)  
German Tellermine 35 No 1 with fuze 1  
" 35 Steel " 1  
" 12.5 Kg Hollow Charge 1  
" Picric Charge 1  
" Tyro Burst 1  
" Detonating Cord 1  
Italian Pignone Mine (Type B) 1

Crate No. 3  
(F.F.E.)  
German D.Z. 35 Igniter )  
" Z2 42 " )  
" SM12 35 " ) Sections  
" Z2 35 " )  
" Zu22 35 " )  
" TM12 43 " )  
French Rifle Grenade 193  
" A Tk Mine(Light) with fuze  
German S Mine with Igniter  
" all purpose Grenade  
" A Tk Grenade  
" E. S. Mi 40  
" Bismine  
" Plastic Crush Igniter  
" Orange Flare  
" Smoke Canisters 4  
Italian Pignone Mine (Type A)  
German S Mine electric firing bridge

Crate No. 4  
(F.F.E.)  
German Tellermine 42  
" " 43  
" J. Feder 504 (Long Delay)  
" 6 Kg Hollow Charge



|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Italian B 4 A pers mine             | 4 |
| " 3 lb mine                         | 3 |
| " Safety Fuze                       | 1 |
| " Picket Mine                       | 1 |
| German Stock Mine                   | 5 |
| " Verrey Lights                     | 1 |
| Italian Red Devils                  | 1 |
| " Detonating Cord                   | 1 |
| " Rifle grenade                     | 1 |
| Smoke Containers                    | 3 |
| German Magnetic Charge 3 Kg         | 1 |
| " Hollow Bottle Charge 3 Kg         | 1 |
| " Prepared Charge 1 Kg              | 5 |
| " " 2 Kg                            | 1 |
| Breech Charges                      | 1 |
| German Hollow Charges 400 gm        | 1 |
| Butterfly Bomb                      | 1 |
| Canon Shells 20 mm                  | 1 |
| Mod. Schumine                       | 1 |
| German Barrel Charge                | 1 |
| Finnish Time Clock                  | 1 |
| German W.I. Bomb                    | 1 |
| German A 200 Mustard Pot            | 1 |
| Assoerted Pistol and Rifle Grenades | 3 |
| French Prepared Charges             | 2 |
| " Rifle Grenades                    | 1 |
| " Hand "                            | 2 |
| T.Mi 35 ( Training)                 |   |
| Glassmine                           |   |
| S.Mi 35                             |   |
| E 15 Mine                           |   |
| 4 Igniter (Italian Sect)            |   |
| Improvised Tread Mine               |   |
| Russian Igniters - Pull             | 1 |
| " " Push                            | 1 |
| Mx II Shrapnel (Sect)               |   |

Crate No. 5



|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| German Hollow Charges 400 gm         | 1 |
| Butterfly Bomb                       | 1 |
| Canon Shells 20 mm                   | 5 |
| Mod. Schumine                        | 1 |
| German Barrel Charge                 | 1 |
| Finnish Time Clock                   | 1 |
| German W.I. Bomb                     | 1 |
| German A 200 Mustard Pot             | 1 |
| Assoerated Pistol and Rifle Grenades | 3 |
| French Prepared Charges              | 2 |
| " Rifle Grenades                     | 1 |
| " Hand "                             | 2 |
| T.Mi 35 ( Training)                  |   |
| Glassmine                            |   |
| S.Mi 35                              |   |
| 3 15 Mine                            |   |
| 4 Igniter (Italian Sect)             |   |
| Improvised Tread Mine                |   |
| Russian Igniters - Pull              | 1 |
| " " Push                             | 1 |
| Mk II Shrapnel (Sect)                |   |
| CS 2 Charge only                     |   |
| Roll Bomb                            |   |
| Grenade Pistol                       |   |
| No. 1 Mk II Pze (Sect) 1/2           |   |
| 105 mm French Improvised Tread Mine  |   |
| No. 5 Mk I A per ( less Igniters)    | 5 |
| T. Mi. 29                            |   |
| ZD2 29                               |   |
| V. 3. Italian                        |   |
| V. 5.                                |   |
| R. Mi. 43                            |   |
| B2 Italian                           |   |
| G.L. Mine                            |   |
| L. Pz. Mine                          |   |
| 50 Kg Hollow Charge                  |   |
| 25 Kg "                              |   |
| 12 Kg Smoke Container                |   |
| Panzer Schnell Mine                  |   |
| Pram Detector German                 |   |
| American T 7                         |   |
| " M 6                                |   |

American Activator  
" T 9 Fuze  
British A.C. Delay Burst Type  
" No. 5 Pressure  
" No. 6 "  
Hungarian Ramp Mines  
Adaptor. Egg Grenades  
German Acid Delay

7. MINE WARFARE EQUIPMENT (held in bulk)

|                     |       |      |
|---------------------|-------|------|
| Topf Mines          |       | 5    |
| Tellermine          | 36 st | 50   |
| "                   | 42    | 100  |
| "                   | 43    | 50   |
| "                   | 35    | 6    |
| R. M1 43            |       | 20   |
| S. M1 35            |       | 100  |
| G.S. Mk I           |       | 100  |
| American M1 A1      |       | 30   |
| G.S. Mk II 34       |       | 10   |
| American M3         |       | 10   |
| " M2 A1             |       | 5    |
| ZZ 42               |       | 490  |
| ANZ 29              |       | 900  |
| DZ 35               |       | 190  |
| Spreng Capsolzunder |       | 36   |
| Topf Igniters       |       | 114  |
| Schumines           |       | 219  |
| 1 lb A pers         |       | 888  |
| Pignone             |       | 12   |
| Panzermine 42       |       | 5    |
| SM12 35             |       | 96   |
| TM12 42             |       | 1000 |
| TM12 42             |       | 92   |



|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Tellermines 35 st   | 50   |
| " 42                | 100  |
| " 43                | 50   |
| " 35                | 6    |
| R. M1 43            | 20   |
| S. M1 35            | 100  |
| G.S. Mk I           | 100  |
| American M1 A1      | 30   |
| G.S. Mk II 34       | 10   |
| American M3         | 10   |
| " M2 A1             | 5    |
| ZZ 42               | 490  |
| ANZ 29              | 900  |
| DZ 35               | 190  |
| Spreng Capsolzunder | 36   |
| Topf Igniters       | 114  |
| Schumines           | 219  |
| 1 lb A pers         | 888  |
| Pignone             | 12   |
| Panzermine 42       | 5    |
| SM12 35             | 96   |
| TM12 42             | 1000 |
| Fuze M1. A1         | 92   |
| " Mk III            | 131  |
| " Mk III. Drill     | 125  |
| Italian 4 Igniter   | 3    |
| Stick Grenades      | 12   |
| TM12 35             | 12   |

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION

AC/53/LG

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

for

Move of 564 Italian Mine  
Clearance Company at present  
stationed at FERRARA

INTENTION

The 564 Mine Clearance Company will move to FERRARA  
(EMILIA Region).

METHOD

Advance party will move by road on 1st August 45.  
Strength of this party will be as follows:

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| (1) Officers     | 2  |
| (2) Other Ranks  | 2  |
| Senior NCOs      | 2  |
| Cooks            | 2  |
| General duty men | 12 |
| Carpenter        | 2  |

Main party will move by rail between 6th-12th August  
exact date to be stated later. Strength of this party will be 140.

EQUIPMENT

(a) Advance party will take the following equipment:

- (1) Carpenter tools, saws, hammers etc.
- (2) Cooking utensils



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| General duty men | 12 |
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exact date to be stated later. Strength of this party will be 140.

EQUIPMENT

(a) Advance party will take the following equipment:

- (1) Carpenter tools, saws, hammers etc.
- (2) Cooking utensils
- (3) Blankets and bedding

(b) Main party will take all remaining stores. Est 5120 lbs.

ACCOMMODATION.

Accommodation is being arranged at PERRARA for the Company by EMILIA Region.

RATIONS

Both parties will take sufficient rations for five days.

TRANSPORT

Advance party will take two vehicles and move by road  
to FERRARA.

*John and Keaton  
Italy*

Major  
Local Government Sub Commission

DISTRIBUTION:

Land Forces Sub Commission (AMIA)  
Ministry of War, Via XI Settembre  
Brig. Gen. P. SUPINO  
EMILIA Region (2)  
(attn. Lt. MACCHAB)  
Provincial Commissioner-Ferrara  
O.C. 564 Italian Mine Clearance Company-PASCARA

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TO: Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

It was reported to this Commission by the Ministry of War that the Mine Clearance Service has got only 50% of the petrol allotted to them in April, 40% in May, 33% in June for Lazio, Umbria, Abruzzi 30% in July and no assignment at all for Toscana in July.

As a result mine clearance work had to be cut down and completely suspended in Toscana Region because of lack of petrol.

This Commission is of the opinion that mine clearance is most important for national reconstruction and would be therefore grateful if the necessary steps would be taken in order to allot the indispensable petrol for mine clearance work in Lazio and Toscana.

It would be appreciated if you would let us know the steps taken.

*I can take no action unless  
it is a  
ministry from responsibility  
JRK 24/7*

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*Wm  
Wm*



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MINISTRY OF WAR

Out-going Signal

Rome, 10/7/45

Command Sub-Zone CHIETI

No. 8/74476 near bridge of Chienti locality Piediripa di  
MACERATA there are some mines. In order to facilitate  
the work of road reconstruction it is requested to send  
personnel, instructors and equipment of the 564 Company  
now at Silvi to clear these mines. Allied Commission  
agreed. For the Minister Crivaro

Ministry of War

TO: A.C. Local Government Sub-Commission

For information with reference to verbal request  
made through Major Reakes.

General P. Supino

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO

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18 JUL 1945

DELEGAZIONE IN PRESENZA

Roma, 10/7/1945

COMANDO SOTTOZONA B.C.M. CHIEMI  
N°8/74476 PRESSO PONTE SUL CHIEMI LOCALITA' PIEDINIPA DI MACERATA EST  
ACCERTATO PRESENZA MINE INESPELSE PUNTO OCCORRE PROCEDERE SUBITO LAVORO  
SMINAMENTO PER CONSENTIRE LAVORI RICOSTRUZIONE INTERESSANTE TRAFFICO  
STRADALE ET REINPIEGO MANO D'OPERA PUNTO PREGASI PROVVEDERE URGENZA  
RICORRENDO SE OCCORRE PERSONALE ISTRUTTORE E MEZZI 564 COMPAGNIA RASTRAL-  
LATORI MINE AL SILVI CONFORME AUTORIZZAZIONE COMMISSIONE ALLEATA PUNTO  
PROMINISTRO CHIIVANO

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO  
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

Prot.n° 8/74522

Roma, li 12.7.45

ALL'A.C. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

= A P O 394 =

.....Per conoscenza, in riferimento alla richiesta presentata in via  
breve" a mezzo del Maggiore Reakes di codesta Sottocommissione

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PROCLINISTRO CRIVARO

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO  
Ufficio Centrale R.C.M.

Prot. n° 8/74522

Roma, li 12-7-45

ALL'A.C. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

= A F O 384 =

.....per conoscenza, in riferimento alla richiesta presentata in "via  
breve" a mezzo del Maggiore Reakes di codesta Sottocommissione 186

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(F. Supino)

*F. Supino*

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MINISTRY OF WAR

12 July 45.

TO: Military Depot Rome  
HEADQUARTERS AC  
Local Government Sub Commission  
V. Zone Command Firenze for inform.

SUBJECT: Authority for distribution of equipment.

Letter n.II/24416/M of 10 July has been cancelled.

You are authorized to allot to the above Zone Command the following material

From Ufficio Stralecio C.M.T. and I.M.S.T. Rome

5 Mine Detectors  
40 batteries 60 A 2

From Engin ering Depots Rome

3.500 metres fuze  
6.000 ordinary capsules

This material will be handed over today to It.COPPI from the Zone Command Florence.

The Zone Command is asked to hand over 1000 capsules and 500 m. fuze to the Provincial Command of UNPA at Siena. If the UNPA has no more need of this materiel then it will remain at the disposition of the Zone Command Florence as part of the next allotment.

For the Minister  
Col. C. LUCONE

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Letter n.II/24415/A of 10 July has been cancelled.

You are authorized to allot to the above Zone Command the following material

From Ufficio Stralcio C.M.T. and I.M.S.T. Rome

5 Mine Detectors  
40 Batteries 63 A 2

From Engin ering Dayots Rome

5.500 metres fuze  
6.000 ordinary capsules

This material will be handed over today to Lt. JORPPI from the Zone Command Florence.

The Zone Command is asked to hand over 1000 capsules and 500 m. fuze to the Provincial Command of UNPA at Siena. If the UNPA has no more need of this material then it will remain at the disposition of the Zone Command Florence as part of the next allotment.

For the Minister 185  
Col. C. IGOVE

170 July 24/7

Ministry of War

10 July 45

TO: Military Depot ROME  
HEADQUARTERS AC  
Local Government S/C for inform.  
V. Zone Command Florence

SUBJECT: Authority for distribution of equipment.

Authority is given to you to allot the following  
to the above Zone Command,-

5,500 metres of fuze  
1,000 ordinary capsules  
5 mine detectors

A representative of this Ministry will draw the  
above material and hand it over to the Zone in question.

The Zone Command will hand over to the Provincial  
Command of UNPA at Siena

1,000 ordinary capsules  
500 metres fuze

Therefore the Zone Command is asked to inform  
the UNPA Provincial Command as soon as the material arrives.

For the Minister  
Col. C. PICONE



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For the Minister  
Col. C. PICON

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For the Minister  
Col. C. PICON



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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO  
Divisione Materiali  
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12 JUL 1945

N° IL/24418/M di prot.  
Roma, 11  
12 LUG 1945  
e, p.c. AL HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION A.P.G. 394  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB  
(rif.com. AC/35/16 del 29/5/1945)  
AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE DI FIRENZE  
(rif.f. 1582 del 12/5/1945)  
ALLA DIREZIONE LAV.GENIO MIL.DI ROMA  
AL COMANDO PROVINCIALE DELL'U.M.P.A.  
(rif.f. 266 del 22/5/1945)  
AL COMANDO ZONA V° B.C.M. DI FIRENZE  
= P.M. 3800  
= P.M. 3800  
= R O K A  
= P.M. 219  
= P.M. 3800  
= S I E R A  
= P.M. 219

OCCORRENZA: autorizzazione distribuzione materiali. -

Il dispaccio n° IL/24418/M del 10 corrente è annullato.  
Si autorizzano le sottostate distribuzioni di materiali al  
Comando Zona B.C.M. in indirizzo:

- DALL'UFFICIO STRAFCIO O.M.T. ED I.M.S.T. - ROMA:
  - 5 apparecchi cercamine
  - 40 pile 63 A 2
- DAL MAGAZZINO DI RECL. LAV.GENIO MILITARE - ROMA:
  - 5500 metri di miccia a lento
  - 6000 capsule ordinarie

I suddetti materiali vengono in data d'oggi consegnati per  
il Comand. del Comando Zona B.C.M. Firenze.

= P.M. 219  
= P.M. 3890  
= S I E N A  
= P.M. 219

AL COMANDO GENIO MILITARE DI FIRENZE  
(rif.f. 1582 del 12/6/1945)  
ALLA DIREZIONE LAV. GENIO MIL. DI ROMA  
AL COMANDO PROVINCIALE DELL'U.N.P.A.  
(rif.f. 266 del 22/3/1945)  
AL COMANDO ZONA 7 B.C.M. DI FIRENZE

OCCORRENZA: Autorizzazione distribuzione materiali.

Il dispaccio n° II/24418/M del 10 corrente è annullato.  
Si autorizzano le sottoelencate distribuzioni di materiali al  
Comando Zona B.C.M. in indirizzo:

- DALL'UFFICIO STRALCIO O.M.T. ED I.N.E.S. - ROMA:

5 apparati carcamine  
40 pile 63 A 2

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- DAL MAGAZZINO DIR. LAV. GENIO MILITARE - ROMA:

5500 metri di miccia a lenta  
6000 capsula ordinaria

I suddetti materiali vengono in data d'oggi consegnati per  
il recapito al Ten. COLONN. del Comando Zona B.C.M. Firenze.

Detto Comando Zona, è pregato di disporre affinché 1000 capsule  
le e 500 m. di miccia da fuzze dei quantitativi di cui sopra è cenno  
vengono cedute all'U.N.P.A. di Siena, sempre che detta entità sussista  
tuttora ed abbia ancora necessità di tali materiali.

Se detta cessione non avrà luogo, le 1000 capsule ed i 500  
metri di miccia resteranno a disposizione del Comando Zona di Firenze  
a titolo di acconto sulla prima prossima assegnazione.

P. M. MINISTRO  
(COL. G. FICONE)

*transizione*

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AP/bm

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA  
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO  
Divisione Materiali

18 JUL 1945

N° II/24418/M di prot.

Roma, 11<sup>a</sup> LUG 1945

AL MAGAZZINO DIREZ. LAV. GENIO MILIT. DI ROMA = P.M. 3800  
e, p.c. AL HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION A.P.O 324  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB  
(rif. comm. AC/35/IG del 29/5/45)  
AL COMANDO GENIOX MILITARE DI FIRENZE = R O M A  
(rif. f. 1582 del 12/6/1945) = P.M. 212  
ALLA DIREZ. LAV. GENIO MIL. DI ROMA = P.M. 3800  
AL COMANDO PROVINCIALE DELL'U.N.P.A. = U I E N A  
(rif. f. 265 del 22/5/1945)  
AL COMANDO SOGA V° B.O.M. = FIRENZE

OCCORRENZA: Autorizzazione distribuzione materiali.-

Si autorizza la seguente distribuzione di materiali al  
Comando Soga B.O.M. in indirizzo:

- 5.500 metri di miccia a lenta
- 1.000 capsule ordinarie
- 5 apparati cerceamine

I suddetti materiali appena possibile saranno ritirati e  
consegnati alla Zona interessata, a cura di ~~XXXXXXXX~~ un incarica-  
to di questo Ministero.

Il Comando Soga, dal materiale consegnato ad essa cederà  
al Comando Provinciale dell'U.N.P.A. di Siena:

- 1.000 capsule ordinarie
- 500 m. di miccia a lenta

Per tanto il suddetto Comando Soga è pregato di informare  
il Comando Provinciale U.N.P.A. non appena **giunto** il materiale.-

AL COMANDO PROVINCIALE DELL'U.N.P.A.,  
(rif. 2. 266 del 20/1/1945)  
IL COMANDO ZONA B. 3. 3. 3.

OGGETTO: Autorizzazione distribuzione materiali.

Si autorizza la seguente distribuzione di materiali al  
Comando Zona B. 3. 3. 3. in indirizzo:

5.500 metri di miccia a lenta  
1.000 capsule ordinarie  
5 apparecchi cercomina

I suddetti materiali appena possibile saranno ritirati e  
consegnati alla Zona interessata, a cura di ~~questo~~ un incarica-  
to di questo Ministero.

Il Comando Zona, dal materiale assegnato ad essa cederà  
al Comando Provinciale dell'U.N.P.A. di Siena:

1.000 capsule ordinarie  
500 m. di miccia a lenta

Pertanto il suddetto Comando Zona è pregato di informare  
il Comando Provinciale U.N.P.A. non appena **giunto** il materiale.

P. IL MINISTERO  
(COL. P. P. P.)

*Laurenti*

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MINISTRY OF WAR

SUBJECT: Sub-Zone Piemonte

16 JULY 45

TO : Zone Command Liguria

Reference signal E/74616/BCM:

1. Reference conversation General NICOTRA and Major DEAKES of AC Local Government Sub Commission sub zone Piemonte has been formed depending of Zone Command Liguria/

2. Major MARTELLINI will take the temporary command of the sub zone. He will report to Lt.Col. Carini commander of Liguria Zone in order to get the necessary instructions

3. The personnel of the sub zone will be formed by those workmen who actually are clearing mines in this Zone (30 men) if they are judged to be trained well enough by the Zone Commander.

4. Captain TOMBOLINI and a junior officer will be attached to Piemonte Zone. The two officers will be trained by Major Martellini who will be relieved of his services as Zone Commander when Capt. Tombolini will be able to exercise his functions as zone commander. Please signal the name of the junior officer.

5. The instructions concerning the work, priorities etc. will be given by HQ Piemonte Region Public Works Branch (Col. Birchett)

It is felt that it is not necessary for the moment for Lt. Col. Carini who is very busy at Liguria to go to Torino HQ of the sub zone Piemonte.

Should there be need to visit the sub zone, this Command will provide in agreement with the Comando Genio of Genova.

Please signal the data on which the sub zone commenced to function.

for the Minister

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Please signal the date on which the sub zone commenced to function.

for the Minister  
Gen. C. CARIVARO

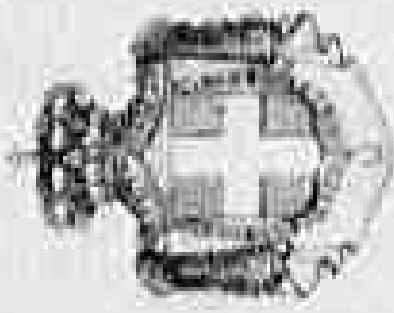
TO: Local Government Sub-Commission

Reference conversation Major Reakes Gen. Supinc on the above subject the above letter is forwarded to you for information.

Gen. P. GUPIVO

*See Cuppinizer  
file 247*





*Ministero della Guerra*  
DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO  
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

*Quarone*  
*Reg. N. 8/126079*

OGGETTO: Sottozona B.C.M. PIEMONTE.-

*Roma. 22* luglio 1945

AL COMANDO DEL GENIO MILITARE  
T O R I N O  
e, per con.: COMANDO DEL GENIO MILITARE  
G E N O V A

*Risposta al foglio del*  
*Gen.*

AL COMANDO ZONA B.C.M. LIGURIA  
G E N O V A  
(Piazza Ferrari)

A seguito telegramma n. 8/74616/BCM

odierno si comunica:

1) in relazione agli accordi intercorsi tra Gen. NICOTRA e Magg. REAKES, A.C.-Loc. Gov. Sub Comm., è costituita una sottozona B.C.M. Piemonte, alle dipendenze del Comando Zona B.C.M. LIGURIA;

2) assumerà temporaneamente il comando della citata sottozona il Magg. MARTELLINI, di codesto Comando.

Quest'ultimo si presenterà al T.Col. CARINI, comandante della Zona B.C.M. LIGURIA, per ricevere le istruzioni del caso, in merito alle incombenze amministrative della Sottozona;

3) il personale operaj rastrellatori mine sarà per il momento costituito dal personale che attualmente provvede alla rimozione mine in Piemonte (circa 30 unità), se in possesso dei requisiti per essere assunto, a giudizio di codesto Comando;

4) a cura di codesto Comando sarà assegnato al-



AL COMANDO ZONA B.C.M. LIGURIA

G E N O V A  
(Piazza Ferrari)

A seguito telegramma n. 8/74616/ECM  
odiermo si comunica:

- 1) in relazione agli accordi intercorsi tra Gen. NICOTRA e Magg. REAKES, A.C.-Loc.Gov.Sub Comm., è costituita una sottozona B.C.M. Piemonte, alle dipendenze del Comando Zona B.C.M. LIGURIA;
- 2) assumerà temporaneamente il comando della citata sottozona il Magg. MARTELLINI, di codesto Comando.  
Quest'ultimo si presenterà al T.Col. CARINI, comandante della Zona B.C.M. LIGURIA, per ricevere le istruzioni del caso, in merito alle incombenze amministrative della Sottozona;
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Ad assegnazione avvenuta, segnalare il nome del subalterno per i provvedimenti di sanzione ministeriale;

5) gli ordini d'impiego, precedenza lavori, ecc. saranno impartiti dall'Hqs PIEMONTE REGION - Public Works Branch (Col. BIRCHETT).

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Nell'occasione si segnala che per il momento non risulta necessario che il T.Col.CARINI, molto occupato in Liguria, si rechi presso la Sottozona, Piemonte in Torino.

Se per contro ciò si manifesterà necessario in seguito di tempo, codesto Comando potrà provvedere in tal senso, prendendo accordi preliminari col Comando Genio di Genova.

Pregasi segnalare, accusando ricevuta della presente comunicazione, la data d'inizio di funzionamento della Sottozona in oggetto.-

P. IL MINISTRO  
fto Gen.Div. O.Crivaro

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - DIREZIONE GENERALE GENIO  
Ufficio Centrale B.C.M.

N. 8/4649/BCM

OGGETTO: Sottozona B.C.M. PIEMONTE. -

Roma, 17 luglio 1945

ALL'A.C. - LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

A.P.O. 394

per informazione, in riscontro al foglio AC/53/LG in data 13 c.m. di codesta Sottocommissione e delle comunicazioni verbali sull'oggetto, intercorse tra questa Direzione Generale ed il Magg. REAK ES. -

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(Gen. Brig. P. Supino)

*Gen. Carlo Lupino*



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SERVIZIO BONIFICA CAMPI MINATI  
COMANDO ZONA LIGURIA

N. \_\_\_\_\_ di prot.  
Rit. al foglio N. GEN/277  
del \_\_\_\_\_

GENOVA. 17 luglio 1945  
PALAZZO NAVIGLIO - ITALIA -  
TELEFONO A.M.G. 125047

20 JUL 1945

OGGETTO: Mine clearance.

to : Local Government Sub-Commission.

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Ministry of War

Confidential. 5

SUBJECT: Clothing allotted to Mine Clearance workers.

Dear Major,

Reference our conversation of yesterday 9 July there is forwarded to you the statement of the commission appointed in order to fix the commercial value of the clothing purchased by this Ministry at the British Depots Via Monteoliveto 86 Naples according to your instructions ref. 9/8A/CA of 3 Feb/45.

I feel that what happened is only a mistake and it should not be difficult to repair it.

It would be much appreciated if you could give us an answer as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

Gen. P. Supino

*Col. Crippa has advised  
info in this matter.  
JLC 24/7*



Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 735016

*Translation of findings of Committee Board convened to inquire into prices fixed for clothing purchased for mine clearance*

*Findings*  
Minutes of the meeting called to judge upon the prices of clothing allotted to the civilians of the Mine Clearing Companies.

20th May 46 Rome.

*Board*  
The Commission appointed by the Direzione di Commissariato of the Territorial Command by Daily order n. 169 in order to fix the prices of the clothing allotted to the civilians of mine clearance companies bought by the Commissariato of Naples, has examined the followings:

600 trousers  
823 shirts (woollen)  
395 undergarment (wool)  
106 " (cotton)  
143 trousers (wool)  
63 " (cottons)  
75 blankets  
600 overcoats.

1. The turn-ups of the trousers are all used up and the cloth too is darned in different places. The maximum price, taking in account the prices of the market is L. 150 for each.
2. The shirts of wool are all darned and used up and the Commission is of the opinion that they cannot be used. Anyhow the maximum price has been estimated in L. 40.
3. The same applies to the undergarments of wool.
4. The cotton undergarments are in such conditions that no workman could buy them it is proposed therefore to declare them out of use and consequently no price has been fixed. The total weight is 10 1/2 Kg.
5. The wool trousers are also in very bad conditions. Their estimated price is L. 30.
6. The cotton trousers price is estimated in L. 50.
7. Wool blankets darned and in very bad conditions Price maximum 200 L.
8. The overcoats are relatively the best. Their estimated price is L. 600.

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It is proposed therefore to consider rags of a weight of 10<sup>3</sup> Kg the 106 undergarments of cotton.

After examination of the material the Commission feels that the prices fixed above are fair.

Signed

Major NOCCO LUCIO  
Capt. RACITI Rosario  
Lt. ROCCHI Attilio

Capt. O. PANTALEO.



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*Ministero della Guerra*

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEL GENIO MILITARE

Roma, 11 10/7 - 1943

Confidenziale

OGGETTO: Acquisto a pagamento oggetti di vestiario per operaj bonifica campi minati.-

Egregio Maggiore,

a seguito dell'intesa verbale di jeri 9 c.m., trasmetto copia di un verbale di constatazione redatto da apposita commissione ufficiali, circa lo stato ed il conseguente valore commerciale degli oggetti di corredo acquistati da questo Ministero presso il Deposito Britannico di V.Monteoliveto 86 in Napoli, ai termini delle comunicazioni di cui al foglio 9/8A/C.A. in data 5/3 c.a. di codesta Commissione Alleata.

Ho ragione di ritenere che sia accaduto un comune errore di servizio di magazzino, che sarà facile a V.S. di fare ovviare.

In questo faccio le più cortesi premure, restando in attesa di un cenno di riscontro in merito.

Vostro Dev.

Giuseppe Lupino

Al Magg. J.Stewart REAKES

A.C.HQs - Loc.Gov.Sub Comm.

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CORLA

VERBALE DI CLASSIFICA E DETERMINAZIONE PREZZI DI CESSIONE DEGLI  
OGGETTI DI V.E. DESTINATI AGLI OPERAI CIVILI DELLE SQUADRE  
RASTRELLAMENTO MINE

L'anno millenovecentoquarantacinque addì 20 del mese di maggio in Roma

PREMESSO

che la Direzione di Commissariato Militare del Comando Militare Terri-  
toriale di Roma con ordine del giorno n. 169, in data 14.5.45, ha no-  
minato la seguente commissione per procedere alla classifica e determi-  
nazione dei prezzi di cessione degli oggetti di V.E. provenienti dalla  
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|      |                       |
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| 1395 | maglie di lana        |
| 106  | " " cotone            |
| 143  | mutande di lana       |
| 63   | " " cotone            |
| 75   | coperte               |
| 600  | pastrani di panno gv. |

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Constatare:

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- 2) -camicie di lana: sono quasi tutte rattoppate e consumate ed a parere della Commissione debbono essere dichiarate fuori uso. Comune il prezzo massimo attribuitile a ciascuna di esse è di L. 40.
- 3)- maglie di lana:vale quanto detto per le camicie di lana. Il prezzo massimo attribuitile è di L. 40 ciascuna.
- 4)- maglie di cotone:gli oggetti sono in condizioni tali che nessun operaio potrebbe acquistarli, si propone pertanto la loro dichiarazione f.u.e non si fissa alcun prezzo di cessione: peso totale kg. 10,500.
- 5)-mutande di lana:il prezzo che viene stabilito è di L. 30 per ciascun capo. Anche le mutande di lana sono in condizioni pessime di uso.
- 6)-mutande di cotone:il prezzo attribuitile è di L. 50 per capo

7) - coperte di lana :trattasi di coperte di circonferenza raddoppiate ;secondo il loro stato d'uso il prezzo massimo è di L. 200 per coperta.

8) - pastrani di panno gv.:sono gli oggetti in migliori condizioni tra quelli esaminati. Prezzo attribuito L. 500 l'uno.

- che pertanto si propone l'assunzione in carico di Kg.10,500 stracci di cotone (pari a n.105 maglie di cotone ) di cui al n.4.

- che dopo l'esame generale e particolare della massa, la commissione stessa ha potuto concludere che trattandosi di materiali, la maggior parte del quale è in pessime condizioni con tessuto rotto e consumato i prezzi di cessione attribuiti debbono ritenersi equi.

- che per far constatare quanto sopra la commissione ha redatto il presente verbale per le decisioni della Direzione di Commissariato Militare del Comando Militare Territoriale di Roma.

Fatto, letto, chiuso e sottoscritto alla data e nel luogo di cui sopra.

#### LA COMMISSIONE

IL S. TEN. COMMISS.  
P/to A. Rocchi

IL CAP. DI SUSS. ZA  
P/to R. Raciti

IL MAGG. COMMISS.  
P/to L. Nocco

P.C.C.  
IL CAPITANO ADDETTO  
(C. Fantaleo)

*[Signature]*

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