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ITALIAN TROOP PAY ACCOUNT

1. Allied Commission's responsibility for screening requisitions purchased with YT dollars was terminated, effective 1 February 1946. Only requisitions of RCL items now pass through Allied Commission.
2. Requisition Branch interest in YT requisitions has continued despite the termination of its screening activities. Numerous conferences with Italian Government officials have been held with the objective of coordinating the UNRRA 1946 import program with the YT program of procurement.

VENEZIA-GIULIA/UDINE

Requisitions for auto lamps and batteries were sent to AFH. Requisitions for raw materials for industry were received from the Industry Sub-Commission and are being screened.

STATISTICS AND RECORDS

The Branch has continued to keep records of ships' arrivals and tonnages transferred to the Italian Government. All but about 30 shiploads of the YT program have been received or on the high seas.

GENERAL

Requisition Branch has prepared for the transfer of A.C.'s Italian supply responsibility to UNRRA. To that end, its functions have been expanded to include Program Coordination and Statistical Analysis as well as Supply Accounting and Requisitions proper.

EDWARD S. LYNCH
CHIEF.

Rome, 22 March 1946

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MONTHLY REPORT - JANUARY 1945

I. Requisitions:

A. Veneria Giulis:

1. A revised textiles program has been submitted to AFHQ. The revision, requested by 13th Corps is designed to provide employment in order to avoid unrest.
 2. A supplementary request from 13th Corps for tires, batteries and auto-lamps has been received. Requisitions Branch has been seeking to have the requisition filled from captured enemy stocks, as the trucks in 13th Corps are of continental manufacture for which enemy stocks are admirably suited.
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 3. Several requests from AFHQ and 13th Corps have been received and action taken.
 4. Requisition for miscellaneous raw materials for industry still remains to be sent to AFHQ.
- B. IT Program: An examination of the requisitions to be paid for out of IT (Troop Pay Account) funds has been initiated. A parallel investigation is being made by the Italian Government. The object of both studies is to determine what requisitions should be cancelled in light of the reactivation of Italian industry and the consequent desirability of importing raw materials rather than finished goods. It is hoped that considerable savings of dollar exchange may be effectuated as a result of the investigation.

- C. Military Government Supplies: Discussions have been held with the OFLO, Peninsular Base Section, and AFHQ, relating to the disposal of Military Government Supplies brought into Italy after 30 November. Agreement was reached that Materazione Generale should warehouse the goods pending transfer from the Army through OFLO to the Italian Government. But some technical and financial difficulties remain to be surmounted.

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4. Requisition for miscellaneous raw materials for industry still remains to be sent to ARHQ.

B. VI Program: An examination of the requisitions to be paid for out of VI (Procurement) funds has been initiated. A parallel investigation is being made by the Italian Government. The object of both studies is to determine what requisitions should be cancelled in light of the reactivation of Italian industry and the consequent desirability of buying raw materials rather than finished goods. It is hoped that considerable savings of dollar exchange may be effectuated as a result of the investigation.

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II. Loans of Italian Civil Supplies:

1. Loans of Italian Civil Supplies have continued to be made to Venezia Giulia and Udine. As yet, no loans have been repaid. The Combined Chiefs of Staff and ARHQ have intimated that loans made in 1945 may not be repaid, but A.C. is continuing to press the matter. ARHQ has admitted that loans made in 1946 must be repaid in kind.
2. Records on loans to Venezia Giulia have been kept on a current basis and loans to Udine are being compiled.

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III. Ships' Logs. The work of the Ships' Documents Section was handicapped by the failure of ship's accounts to arrive sufficiently in advance of ship discharge for arrangements for disposal of cargo to be made. But receipt of Forward Authorization Serials from the War Shipping Administration has proved very helpful in forward planning.

IV. Statistics and Records.

A. Progress reports on the program of Basic Supplies for Italy (BI) and on imports financed by the Italian Troop Pay Dollar Account (IT) were made.

B. A bulletin was made in the Matter of UNRRA's and AG's supply accounting records. Procedures for UNRRA's supply accounting have been established.

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IV. Statistical Requirements.

A. Progress reports on the program of Basic Supplies for Italy (IT) and on imports financed by the Italian Treasury Dollar Account (IT) were made.

B. A balance sheet was made in the latter of UNRRA's and I.O.'s supply accounting records. Procedures for UNRRA's supply accounting have been established.

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Requisition Branch

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15 January 1946

MONTHLY REPORT - JANUARY 1946I. Requisitions:A. Venezia Giulia - Using:

1. After screening by Allied Commission, the following purchases for the first half of 1946 have been sent to A.C. by A.M.O.: Agriculture, Coal, Signal Stores, Food, POL, Public Health and Textiles and Shoes. The Transportation Request, originally submitted by A.C. to A.M.O., was withdrawn after determination that trucks and parts could be supplied from military stocks. Revision of the Textiles Program in order to take employment opportunities into consideration is under way.

2. In order to assist procurement officers of 13th Corps, A.C. has prepared a list of agricultural commodities locally available and indicated where in Italy they may be procured. A similar study has been initiated for Signal Stores.

3. Only the revision of the Textiles program, indicated above, and the requirements of miscellaneous and materials for industry remain to be handled by A.C. But there are indications that A.C. will be asked to submit another request for transportation equipment, particularly tires and spare parts.

B. Truck Spare Parts: Upon receipt from the Italian Government of authority for the expenditure of IF funds, this requisition was forwarded to Washington.

II. Loans of Italian Civil Supplies:

4. Records have been maintained of loans to Venezia Giulia and the following agencies informed of the status of these loans: AFHQ, AMB III Corps and Allied Supply and Accounting Agency. In order to ensure that requisition branch be informed of all loans made, the subcommittees have been required to forward

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2. In order to assist procurement officers of 15th Corps, A.C. has prepared a list of agricultural commodities locally available and indicated where in Italy they may be procured. A similar study has been initiated for Signal Stores.

3. Only the revision of the Textiles program, indicated above, and the requirements of miscellaneous raw materials for industry remain to be handled by A.C. But there are indications that A.C. will be asked to submit another request for transportation equipment, particularly tires and spare parts.

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4. Records have been maintained of loans to German civilians and the following agencies informed of the status of these loans: AFHQ, 4th AFHQ Corps and Allied Supply and Accounting Agency. In order to ensure that Acquisition Branch be informed of all loans made, the Subordinations have been required to clear loans through it. Loans to date and in prospect are detailed in Appendix "A".

5. As yet no loans have been repaid and AFHQ has been asked to clarify its intentions on repayment as outlined in TAF 490.

III. Military Responsibility for Italian Civil Supplies: In view of the fact that 30 November was established as the cut-off date for military responsibility for Italian Civil Supplies, Acquisition Branch was asked to clarify A.C.'s responsibility. It was

decided that Requisition Branch notify the interested Sub-Committee, the Special and Surplus Materials Branch, and the Port Liaison Officer, in advance of arrival of ships carrying military supplies originally destined for the Italian Civil economy. The former two will then determine whether the Italian Government wishes to purchase said supplies, the Special and Surplus Materials Branch will advise the U.S. Ministry of Supply and the COMUS and the port liaison officer will advise the Army port representative to take custody of the goods.

IV. Shipping Documents

A. Ships' Documents Section:

The Italian Government's representatives on the Ships' Documents Section have been appointed. They include representatives of I.C.E., Federazione Consorzi Agrari, Ufficio Carboni, and the C.I.R., with the I.C.E. representative acting as liaison officer for the group. The cooperation of the Italian representatives has been excellent and the Italian Government has consequently been able to take a more active and helpful part in planning ship diversions and port clearance. In addition to the Italian Government and its transportation representatives, ships' documents and shipping advice are routed to the interested Sub-Committees, UNRRA, and the Allied Supply and Accounting Agency.

B. Ships' Documents: Examination of shipping documents received by A.C. revealed that their usefulness was lessened because they frequently arrive too late and, in the case of general cargo ships, contain inadequate information. Accordingly, Washington was asked to send modified cable manifests as soon as possible after ships' sailings. But the situation has not improved. The War Shipping Administration was asked to send copies of Forward Authorization Serials on all ships carrying Civil Supplies for Italy and has done so. The F.A.S. has already shown its value for advance planning for the receipt of imports.

V. Statistics and Records

A. Files. The filing system of the Requisition Branch has been reorganized and its records simplified and brought up to date.

B. Status of Requisitions and Programs

1. The reports on the status of the Program of Basic Supplies for Italy (the so-called B Program) have been prepared and similar reports will be submitted weekly. The Status of Programs of 1

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B. Status of Requisitions and Programs

1. Two reports on the status of the program of Basic Supplies for Italy (the so-called M Program) have been prepared and similar reports will be submitted weekly. The status of programs of January is presented in a summary. Records of arrivals of imported supplies are complete, but the basic program has been revised frequently and some uncertainty exists on the quantities to be imported under the program.

2. Reports have been received of 200 requisitions approved for procurement out of Italian VET funds (the so-called Trocy Pay Account). These requisitions are being watched against the old Category A requisitions for guidance in the disposal of the products when they arrive. The reports, themselves, have been circulated among the Sub-Commissions and within the Italian Government.

3. Requisition Branch has initiated a periodic forecast of arrivals based on information on Forward Authorization Serials.
4. Preparation of a price catalog of imported items has been completed.
5. Requisition's French notification to the Sub-Commissions of ships' arrivals has been consolidated with a similar notification formerly made by Transportation Sub-Commission. The consolidated notification is now more comprehensive than the two it replaced. Form HO has been utilized as the reports based on Forward Authorization Serials and the VT Status charts have rendered it obsolete. In view of the fact that military responsibility for civil supplies for Italy was terminated 30 November, the monthly report to AFHQ on the Status of requisitions has been discontinued.

6. Requisition Branch has examined for Commerce Sub-Commission Italian exports under the proposed Italian-Spanish and Italian-Polish trade agreements.

7. The routine functions of Requisition Branch of making status reports of procurement abroad of items under requisition has continued.

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Loans of Italian Civil Supplies to Venezia Giulia and Udine "1"C O A L -

<u>Tons</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Date Discharged</u>
2571	Benjamin Bourne	44	25 - 28 October
2559	John C. Kendall	36	29 Oct. - 1 Nov.
5933	Stephen Purbeck	95	22 Nov. - 1 Dec.

Not yet discharged

8179	William B. Bloxham	170
7054	Colabec	161
5047	James G. Bennett	
4048	William Brown	

Approximately 4000 tons from the William B. Bloxham, and as yet undetermined amount from the Bennett and Brown are to be turned over to Udine. All of the rest is for Venezia-Giulia.

C O A L -

<u>Tons</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Ship No.</u>	<u>Date Discharged</u>
800	James Moore	IM 751	12 September
1200	Abner Naan	IM 73	22 November

210 tons of Sicilian cotton from the Trienti stockpile have been authorized for shipment to Venezia Giulia in January.

W H E A T & F L O U R

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Date</u>
Wheat	7227	SS Metcalfe, TO 50	2 Nov.
Flour	300	from Ancona by SS Salvato	5 Sept.
Flour	300	from Ancona by SS Dittusa	28 Sept.
Flour	45	from Ancona by SS Miralio	22 Nov.
Flour	307	SS Longdale, TO 1 95	19 Sept.

MISCELLANEOUS

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Date</u>
Milk Powder Evaporated	191	from Ancona by SS Miralio	22 November

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W H E A T & F L O U R

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Date</u>
Wheat	7227	SS Metcalfe, MS 40	2 Nov.
Flour	300	from Ancona by SS Salvo	8 Sept.
Flour	340	from Ancona by SS Dinara	28 Sept.
Flour	45	from Ancona by SS Mirella	22 Nov.
Flour	3079	SS Lamsdale, TON I 90	19 Sept.

M I S C E L L A N E O U S

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Date</u>
Milk Powder	191	from Ancona by SS Mirella	22 November
Evaporated Milk	100	from Ancona by SS Salvo	8 September
lard	88	from Ancona by SS Mirella	9-22 November
Fats	14	from Ancona by SS Salvo	8 September
Fats	150	from Ancona by SS Mirella	24 October
Fats	130	from Dary by Rail	10-23 September
Soup	45	from Ancona by SS Mirella	9 November
Sugar	100	from Ancona by SS Dinara	28 September
Soap	100	from Ancona by SS Mirella	22 November
Barley	592	from Ancona by SS Dinara	28 September
Barley	170	from Ancona by SS Mirella	24 October

* With the exception of coal, we have not yet completed our records of loans to U.S.

APPENDIX "B"

PROGRAM OF BASIC SUPPLIES FOR ITALY (U.S. Share)
(Sept - Dec Loadings)
Status as of 1 January 1946
Unit of measure long tons

	Wheat	Fleur	Coal	Food Other than Wheat & Flour	Cotton	Tractors W/P	Oil
A. Transitional Program of Basic Supplies	*	*		*	*		
	641000	106000	1687000	123113	13046	754	1473
B. Arrivals	291135	13853	920403	17888	9105	0	1.7
C. On High Seas	133616	0	223081	9179	0	754	0
Balance a-b+c	217249	92147	54306	96025	3541	754	1471

* These are not firm. Washington has been requested to give us firm figures.

PROBLEM OF BASIC SUPPLIES FOR ITALY (U.S. Share)
 (Sept - Dec Loadings)
 Status as of 1 January 1945
 Unit of measure long tons

Wheat	Flour	Coal	Food Other than Wheat & Flour	Cotton	Tractors W/P	Oil	Other Raw Materials	Lubri- cants	Base Line
*	*	*	*	*					
541000	106000	1687000	12313	13046	754	1473	242	10053	84102
291135	13853	920403	17888	9105	0	1.7	0	unknown	unknown
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December 1945

I. Personnel.

Mr. Edward S. Lynch was appointed Chief of the Requisition Branch, 13 November.

II. Requisitions:

A. Venezia Giulia: 1. At the request of A.F.H.Q., A.C. undertook to screen Venezia Giulia, Rome, Program of Imports for the first half of 1946. Not all of the program has as yet been completed and sent to AFHQ.

2. To date, requirements for the following have been screened and transmitted to AFHQ: for Venezia Giulia and Trieste, Communications, Food, the Medical Section of the Public Health Program, Textiles and Shoes and Transportation; for Venezia Giulia, only, Agriculture and Transportation. Of those, only the requirements for Food have been submitted to CCS. All queries so far submitted by AFHQ on the others have been answered. But AFHQ has requested that the requirements for Textiles and Shoes be calculated on a new basis and a new requisition be submitted.

3. The Veterinary Section of the Public Health Program for Venezia Giulia, only, has been requested directly of AFHQ by AFHQ and Requisition Branch has had nothing to do with that portion of the program. No veterinary section for Trieste has been submitted or requested.

4. Programs for Coal and Raw Materials for Industry still await justification.

B. Requisition for Truck Spare Parts: This requisition, reported by Transportation Sub-Commission, against IT funds, was held up pending authorization from the Italian Government for expenditure of IT funds.

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B. Requisition for Truck Spare Parts: This requisition, prepared by Transportation Sub-Commission, against VC funds, was held up pending authorization from the Italian Government for expenditure of VC funds.

III. Loans of Italian Civil Supplies to Venezia Giulia.

1. In accordance with a directive (TAM 690) supplies imported on the VC and AGS. Programs have been loaned to Venezia Giulia with the understanding that repayment would be made in kind out of military shipments.

In addition commodities indigenous to Italy have been loaned to Venezia Giulia. Requisition Branch has sought of AFHQ clarification of the accounting procedures to be maintained with respect to these loans and of the manner in which AFHQ proceeds to repay those loans. AFHQ has written to advise that the problem was under discussion with the Combined Chiefs of Staff and that, pending clarification, both A.C. and XIII Corps should maintain mutually agreed upon records of all loans of Italian Civil Supplies to Venezia Giulia, (and, presumably, to Udine).

2. Notification of loans of Italian Civil Supplies to Venezia Giulia is received from two sources: from War Shipping Administration with respect to ship diversions and from the interested Sub-Commissions with reference to all loans from whatever sources. The attached tables (A7, exhibit "A") show the loans of Italian Civil Supplies to Venezia Giulia through November, so far as Requisition Branch's information reveals.

IV. Ships' Documents

A. Ships' Documents Section. A Ships' Documents Section has been established within the Requisition Branch. It has a four-fold object: (1) to constitute a central channeling point for all ships documents that come into A.C. (2) to keep the various Sub-Commissions and interested Italian agencies informed of all advance information on arrivals of ships carrying Italian civil supplies (3) to perform some of the warehousing functions formerly carried on by the Ports and Warehouses Division of the Transportation Sub-Commission and (4) to instruct representatives of the Italian Government for whom office space has been provided, so that they may eventually assume the latter two functions outlined above. The first three of the above four functions have been carried out satisfactorily. But it has proved difficult to obtain a clear-cut decision from the Italian Government on the role its representatives are to play.

B. Ships' Documents. An extensive examination of the various types of shipping documents received by A.C. and by other governmental agencies in the theatre has been instituted. The objective of the investigation is to determine means by which advance shipping information may be improved, in speed and accuracy. War Shipping Administration, Rome, has agreed to send all manifests received by air to the Ships' Documents Section.

A joint letter has been sent by A.C. and War Shipping Administration, Rome, to W.S.A., Washington, requesting that invoices and other shipping documents also be sent by air to W.S.A., Rome, to be transmitted to the Ships' Documents Section. Another joint letter, by A.C. and W.S.A., Rome, has been sent to W.S.A., Washington, requesting that W.S.A., Rome, be made the clearing house for all ships' papers on civilian supplies coming into Italy.

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V. Statistics and Records

- A. Files. The files of Requisition Branch are being exhaustively examined with a view to reorganizing the filing system and bringing our records up to date.
- B. Status of Requisitions and Program. Each civil requisition and supply program is being reviewed with the objective of bringing the procurement status of civil supplies requisitioned and programmed up to date, in summary form. In purpose of this examination, when completed, is two-fold (1) to afford a basis for more intelligent operations within Allied Commission and (2) to have Requisition Branch's records in useful form when A.C.'s supply functions are handed over to UNRRA. In the meantime, Requisition Branch has continued to perform its routine function of making status reports on requested or procurement absorbed of items under requisition, e.g., raw wool, tractors and parts, blister paper, etc.

C. Price List. A price list of all commodities under requisition is being prepared. Both f.o.b. and c.i.f. of prices are being obtained.

VI. Miscellaneous

In collaboration with Petroleum Section of the Industry and Utilities Sub-Commission, the cost of providing the Italian State for Petroleum Products, including January consumption and a stock reserve, was determined, and that part of the total cost to be assumed by the Italian Government established. After obtaining the Italian Government's assurance that it would provide funds for the latter portion of the program, the State was sent to Washington.

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