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AQ 12/3 - NAAFI & EFI - Supplies
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Opened August 3, 1944 - Closed January 9, 1945

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

SUBJECT:- Toilet Articles
for Gruppi.

AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint).

9 Jan 45.

TO :- Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C. (MMIA) Rome.

1. Reference your AQ/2/3 dated 4 Jan 45 requesting that the Gruppi should be allowed to purchase shaving soap from E.F.I. sources in order that the best use might be made of the razors supplied in accordance with the terms of A.F.H.Q. letter 2554/Q(Maint) dated 27 Sep 44. — 155/2

2. At the time when consideration was being given to the provision of toilet articles for Gruppi personnel from E.F.I., shaving soap was excluded from the scale in view of the fact that shaving soap was stated to be available from Italian resources - your AQ/2/3 dated 20 Jun 44 refers. — 91 not fact

3. Before consideration can be given to supplying shaving soap from E.F.I. sources, the following information is required :-

(a) is full use being made by the Italian Government of the availability of local resources and if so, what amount is the provision of shaving soap deficient?

(b) whether circumstances have so changed that soap can no longer be made available from Italian sources and if so, in what respect circumstances are altered.

Copy to:- G-5.

W.B.S. SHELDON, Lt. Col.,
for Major-General,
G-4 (B).

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HA 2/3
SUBJECT: Soap - Italian Armed Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AD.
(M.F.I.C.).
ST/111

2 Jan 45.
Direc. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to: Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Labour.
Allied Commission Industry Sub Commission
A/C. I.F.I.A.

Your letter 291/71 of 4 Jan 45 addressed Ministry of Industry refers.

1. As a result of the receipt by this HQ of a copy a/q letter, the Ministry of Industry was requested to send a representative to discuss the allocation of raw materials.
2. The delays that had occurred in -
 - (a) Midding to the Allied Commission for requirements of caustic soda.
 - (b) Allocation to War Ministry of caustic soda and other raw materials -were pointed out and it was emphasised that the situation of 343th of December had passed without any positive results, with the consequence that production inevitably would be delayed.
3. The Ministry of Industry representative was requested to make immediate allocation to the Ministry of War of the raw materials needed for soap production for the first three months of this year.
4. As a result of the delays that have occurred it is requested the following procedure to be adopted in future:
 - (a) Ministry of War will bid to Ministry of Industry

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 - (b) Allocation to War Ministry of caustic soda and other raw materials.
- were pointed out and it was emphasized that the entire 343 ton of Bombs had passed without any positive results, with the consequence that production inevitably would be delayed.
3. The Ministry of Industry representative was requested to make immediate allocation to the Ministry of War of the raw materials needed for soap production for the first three months of this year.

4. As a result of the delays that have occurred it, in requested the following procedure to be adopted in future:
- (a) Ministry of War will bid to Ministry of Industry 60 days in advance for all necessary raw materials.
 - (b) Ministry of Industry will bid Allied Commission for allocation of controlled materials e.g. Caustic Soda.
 - (c) Ministry of Industry, on satisfaction of bids of (b) above, will make bulk allocation to Ministry of War and request advice of distribution required.
 - (d) Ministry of War will inform Ministry of Industry the breakdown of raw materials as between the various factories producing soap.

This procedure was agreed to by the Ministry of Industry representative.

MLT/nc

11/11

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF WAR
Lt. Col. RAY
AMT, Land Forces Sub Com. AG. (114)

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Subject: S.F.I. Supplies to Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROM 3
AC/2/3

7 Jan 1945

To: HQ 15 Army Gp (BS)

Ref your CM/52/AMA Dated 15 Dec 1944. *198*

1. The total value of S.F.I. goods supplied to units of the UFFILE and NUMERO Groups of the CIL prior to their absorption into the GRUPPO amounted to Lire 1,206,328.
2. In addition to the above amount, 10,000 toothbrushes were distributed without payment.

PRT/le

P. P. Padell J/A
P. P. PADSELL, J/Comm.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Toilet Articles for Gruppi

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/2/3

6 Jan 45.

To : 51 BLU

1. Further to this HQ letter AQ/2/3 dated 4 Jan 45.
2. Para 3. Please delete the words "especially as the U.S. Units are provided with shaving cream".

DSIG/wk

D.S.L. GREGSON
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
for Col, DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Tollet Articles for Gruppi

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/2/3

6 Jan 45.

To : AFHQ

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1. Ref this HQ AQ/2/3 dated 4 Jan 45 para 3 and further to telephone conversation Lt Col SHELDON - Maj GREGSON of 5 Jan 45.
2. It is confirmed that in para 3 of the a/m letter the words "especially as the U.S. Italian Units are provided with shaving cream", should be deleted.

DSLQ/wk

DSLG 340
D.S.L.GREGSON, Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Toilet Articles for Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/2/3

4 Jan 45.

To : AFHQ

155/2

1. AFHQ letter AFHQ/2554/Q (Maint) dated 27 Sept 44 laid down that the following articles would be provided from E.F.I. sources for the Italian Gruppi:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Initial Issue</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>
Razors	1 per 2 men	Nil
Razor Blades	-	2 per 1 month
Tooth Brush	1	1 per 4 months
Shaving Brush	1 per 2 men	Nil

2. It has now been represented that the Gruppi should be allowed to purchase shaving soap from E.F.I. sources, in order that the best use may be made of the razors supplied.

3. This demand appears to be most reasonable ~~especially as the~~ ~~U.S. Italian Units are provided with shaving cream~~ and I endorse it strongly. Will you please give a ruling on this subject.

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A.B.

Major General,
M. M. I. A.

DELA/wk

Copy to 51 BLU (your Q 5/4 dated 28 Dec 44 refers)

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See Folio 221
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SUBJECT:- EFI Supplies to the Italian Army

To:- Land Forces Sub-Comm AG,
(MFIa)

52 British Liaison Unit.
CMF.

4 Jan 45

Q/3/47

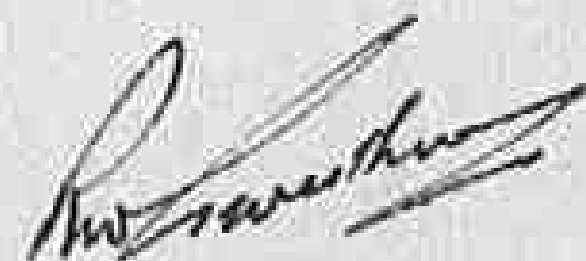
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AQ 2/3.

Reference your AQ/2/3 of the 24 Dec 44. — 207

Lernano Gruppo have informed us that the total value of EFI goods supplied to "U-ILE" and "NEMBO" units of the C.I.L. prior to their absorption into their present Gruppo, amounted to:- LIRE 1,206,328.

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WN.



Major,
DAA&QAG.

See photo 198
from 15 A.G.

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See photo 238

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RESTRICTED
56 EIU
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30 Dec 44
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SUBJECT:- Distribution of EPI Goods to Combat Groups.

and Forces Sub Com AC
MIA.

Reference your S/4/29/1 dated 18 Dec 44 and paras 3 and 4 therein.

1. It is felt that the proposed system of a British officer being made responsible for the handing over of cash from the Italian Combat Group to EPI does present certain difficulties.

2. If an officer of the EIU were detailed to handle the cash on behalf of the Italian Group the following difficulties would arise, particularly when the Group is engaged in operations.

(a) The amount of cash involved weekly for a whole Group would be considerable and it would be very unfair to make one British officer responsible for such a large amount even though only for a short time.

(b) The checking and collection of this money will take a lot of time and that of an officer who is already fully occupied with his normal duties.

(c) In view of the fact that the officer must collect EPI stores personally because payment must be made in cash, the time taken to cover the distance from the Group HQ to the nearest EPI issuing point must be borne in mind.

(d) Details of issues from EPI are not certain until the EPI 337 actually contacted and thus it is thought that the British officer responsible for the transaction would be saddled with the custody of large sums of money in the event of issues being limited.

3. It is therefore thought that the Italian authorities should settle their own EPI accounts and that an Italian officer should be appointed to each Group for the specific duty of watching the EPI interests of his Group and especially for the settling of accounts and handling of the monies involved.

[Signature]

In The Field. Lt Col, GS.

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In The Field.
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Lt Col,
GS.

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AQ 2/3

Subject: Toilet Articles for Gruppi.

51 British Liaison Unit.

To:

Q 5/4

HQ MIA

10 Corps
50 TILJ
52 TILJ
53 TILJ
56 TILJ

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163/2

Ref your S/O/29/1 of 6 Oct 44. please note that the EPI supplies referred to therein is razors, razor blades, toothbrushes and shaving brushes, have now been drawn.

1. CREMONA GRUPPO now point out that the personnel of the Gruppi have no issue of shaving soap. Beside the fact that Black Market prices for soap are prohibitive the article is also in very short supply in civilian shops.

2. In order, therefore, that the personnel of the Gruppi may use their shaving eqpt will you please consider the question of enabling supplies of shaving soap to be on sale to them at EPI prices.

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W. M. M. M. M.

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Field,
28 Dec 44.
DWFC /KS.

Lt Col.
General Staff.

BW Westworth

See Folio 220

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Subject: M.F.I. Supplies to GRUPPI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R.O.M.E.
AQ/2/3

28 Dec 1944

To: 52 B.L.U.

163/1

Ref your Q/3/38 of 24 Dec 1944.

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1. Some confusion appears to exist over your reading of the two letters AAI 2043/12/2 dated 5 Oct 44 and AFHQ 2554/q Maint dated 27 Sept 44. They should be read in conjunction.

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2. The AAI letter referred to does not state that para 4 of AFHQ 2554/q Maint does not apply until the Gruppi enter the operational zone. It merely states that para 4 will apply when the Gruppi enter such zone.

3. Para 2 of AFHQ letter 2554/q Maint states that "It is intended to provide these Italian Gruppi, as they are formed, with toilet articles from M.F.I. as follows. This authority must not be quoted as a precedent for the issue of M.F.I. supplies to other Italian forces."

D. S. L. GREGG
D. S. L. GREGG, Major,
for Colonel, DAWKINS
M. M. I. A.

DEIG/1c

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Copy to: Sec Sec MIA

(212)

Subject: S.F.I. Supplies for Italian Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. H. I. A.)
R O M E
12/2/5
28 Dec 1944

To: Ministry of War

Ref your 22942/7 dated 26 November 1944.

1. The question of payment for S.F.I. goods supplied to the combat Groups has been investigated.
2. It is regretted that the proposal in your a/c letter cannot be agreed to.
3. The method of payment for S.F.I. goods will continue as heretofore.

D. S. L. GERRARD
D.S.L. GERRARD, Major,
for Major General,
M. H. I. A.

DSIG/1a

Copy to: 50, 51, 52, 53, 56 BLUS
(This HQ letter 8/6/29/1 of 18 Dec 44 refers)
Spec Sec Mail

Coordinated. Spec Sec.

See Folio 232/2

Special Liaison House 211
then return to HQ. 27/12

RESTRICTED

Subject: Distribution of EPI Goods to Combat Groups

To:

HQ MFA. ✓

51 British Liaison Unit

Q 5/4

AQ 2/3 *MD*

50 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
DADST

Ref your S/C/29/1 dated 18 Dec 44 received 24 Dec 44.

333

1. I consider that the present system of settling for EPI goods supplied to Gruppi is satisfactory inasmuch that the process of accounting is the responsibility of base HQ and NOT fwd units.

2. The amount of EPI supplies involved is so limited and their nature is such (razor blades, toothbrushes) that to talk of them as something over which the Ministry of War has no control seems irrelevant.

3. To my mind it is undesirable for a Dr officer to become involved in the handling of Italian money, and in any case, I do NOT consider I have the staff to detail an officer to collect EPI for the ITALIANS which, in fact, is what your suggestion would involve.

4. I therefore recommend the continuance of the present system.

Field,
26 Dec 44.
RWT/KS,

Lt Col.
General Staff.

W. H. H. H. H.

Subject: B.F.I. Supplies to the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
AS/2/3

24. Dec 1944

To: 52 B.L.U.

1. Information has been received from 15 Army Group that arrangements for the supply of MFI goods, similar to those now in force for the GHI/21, were made for the supply of these goods to UTILA and MEMBO units of the C.I.L.
2. 15 Army Group wish to know the total value of MFI goods supplied to these two units prior to their absorption into the present GHI/21.
3. Will you please forward this information.

DSIG/1c

D.S.L. GREGSON
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
for Col. DA & GIC
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:
Spec. Sec. MIA

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Subject : E.F.I. Supplies for Italian Combat Group.

HQ
M.M.I.A.

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref Q/5/11.

21 Dec. 44.

A change in the procedure for paying for E.F.I. supplies does not appear to be warranted for the following reasons :-

- (a) The accounting procedure in use at the moment is perfectly simple, and is in line with the accounting procedure for other supplies. The suggested change would merely increase the paper transactions hitherto avoided.
- (b) It is considered that the B.L.Us have more than sufficient other work without being involved in financial transactions involving cash payments.

C.M.F.
FGRV/LGB.

Copy to : 51, 52, 53 & 56 B.L.Us.

Madras
Lt Col.
G.S.

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(203)

Subject: M.F.I. Supplies to the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. L. A.) R U H N
AG/2/5

2 / Dec 1944

To: RUC-100 for attn Major Galarvi.

1. Information has been received from 15 Army Group that arrangements for the supply of MFI goods, similar to those now in force for the GRUPPI, were made for the supply of these goods to 85124 and 85230 units of the C.I.L.
2. 15 Army Group wish to know the total value of MFI goods supplied to these two units prior to their absorption into the present GRUPPI.
3. Will you please forward this information or if unable to do so suggest from whom it can be obtained.

DSIA/1e

D.S.L. GREGG
D.S.L. GREGG, Major,
for Colonel, DASH
M. M. L. A.

Copy to: 15 Army Group (your CM/52/AFA dated 15 Dec refers.
N.B. C.I.L. was absorbed into present Gruppis
in mid-September)

Spec. Sec. DSIA

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Subject: Soap.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I.A.) ROME
AQ/2/3

20 Dec 1944

To: 52 B.L.U.

191

Reference your Q/3/32 dated 6 Dec 1944.

1. Your first paragraph is incorrect. The scale of issue of soap for Combat Groups is the same as for British troops i.e. 5 ozs per fortnight. In addition there is allowed an extra 3 ozs per fortnight for men engaged on work of a dirty nature e.g. M.T. personnel, fitters, maintenance companies etc.
2. Your intents should therefore be based on these scales.

/ls

D.S.L. GIBSON
D.S.L. GIBSON, Major,
for Colonel, D.A.S.G.
M. M. I. A.

*Co-ordinated major Hewitt
CF*

SUBJECT:- Soap.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/111

Ministry of War
(Servizi Amministrativi).

19 Dec 44

Reference your letters 1677/D of 18 Nov; 2383/D of 2 Dec and 2620/D1822 of 15 Dec; addressed Ministry of Industry and this HQ.

1. It is not agreed that the requirement of soap for the Italian Armed Forces for the period inclusive January - June 1945 amounts to 21,000 quintals.
2. On a basis of 425,000 troops at a scale of 300 grammes per man per month, the requirement is 7650 quintals for the 6 month period.
3. On this basis therefore your requirement of caustic soda is 1116 quintals which in fact will produce about 7800 quintals of soap.
4. This question of an allocation of caustic soda has today been discussed with Allied Commission, Industry Sub Commission, who have agreed to release 600 quintals, to cover the production requirements for January, February and March 1945. This amount is slightly more than your calculated requirement in para 3 above.
5. You are requested therefore to make immediate formal application to Allied Commission, Industry Sub Commission for the allocation referred to in para 4 above and further to proceed with the manufacture of the soap with all speed.

ELP/jo

Copy to:- Allied Commission. Industry Sub Commission.

A/Q

B.E. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

AQ 2/3 200

RESTRICTED

SUBJECT: Distribution of RFI goods to Combat Groups

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.E.I.A.)

File No. S/C/29/1

18 Dec 44

TO : 59, 51, 52, 53, 56 BLU's

1. It is suggested that a cash transaction between each Combat Group and RFI would be a better means of distributing RFI goods to Combat Groups than the present system whereby the account is presented afterwards to the Ministry of War. Each Group would then be entirely responsible for accounting for such goods and the Ministry of War would not be involved in something over which it has no direct control.
2. The Ministry of War states that the Groups' Canteen organisation (Spaccio) has the necessary cash resources to do this.
3. It would, however, be necessary for the money to be paid to RFI through a British Officer who would be responsible for each account being settled. Provided the transaction were left on a strictly cash for goods basis there would seem to be no difficulty about this.
4. You are requested to inform MEIA if you agree with the above proposal, and if the BLU can undertake the task of being the necessary link between the Combat Group and RFI on the question of handing over the cash.

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

Internal: A/1

*See folio 211
212*

Subject: Manufacture and Distribution of Soap.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
AQ/2/3

17 Dec 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. It seems apparent that distribution of soap to Italian Armed Forces personnel is being impeded by administrative difficulties, which probably arise as a result of the number of departments involved.

2. The present procedure is understood to be as follows :-

(a) Administrative Services, Ministry of War, bid to Ministry of Industry for soap requirements.

(b) Ministry of Industry allocates raw materials and arranges transportation of the materials to factories designated.

(Caustic Soda only is understood to be under Allied Commission control, from which it is presumed Ministry of Industry have to bid for and obtain allocations of this item for the total requirements at (a) above, before they can fulfil (b) above.)

(c) Factories produce the soap.

(d) Administrative Services, Ministry of War, transport soap from factories to Commissariato Depots (Casermaggio).

(e) Commissariato (Casermaggio) distribute to units.

3. It is the opinion of this HQ that the simplest method of ensuring distribution of soap to the troops, particularly in the forward areas, is to include soap as an item of the food ration and distribute through Sussistenza Depots.

This was agreed by AFHQ and instructions issued to this effect in this HQ letter ST/111 of 10 Nov 44, addressed to the Ministry.

4. It is understood there have been certain difficulties attendant upon the procedure contained at para 3 above, and it is therefore considered by this HQ that simplification of the procedure outlined in para 2 above is both desirable and practicable, and can be achieved by making Commissariato (Sussistenza) the responsible department and relieving the Administrative Services and Commissariato (Casermaggio) of any responsibility in regard to the provision and distribution of soap.

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The procedure would then be :-

- (a) Commissariato (Sussistenza), based on known strengths and scale of issue of soap, submit bids to Ministry of Industry.
- (b) Ministry of Industry allocate and deliver raw materials to designated factories.
- (c) Soap is produced.
- (d) Commissariato (Sussistenza) collect from factories, store and distribute soap to units.

5. You are requested to give this matter your immediate attention.

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

FJH/hh

Copy to: ST.

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Subject:- E.F.I. Supplies to Italian Army.

Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.
Tel:- Filpot 271.
CM/52/AFA.

M.M.I.A.,
HQ, Allied Commission,
A.P.O.394.

AD/2/3.

15th Dec 44.

With reference to this office memo CM/52/AFA dated 13 Dec 44, regarding the supply of EFI goods to Gruppi, it would appear that a similar arrangement was made for supply of these goods to Utile and Nembo Groups of C.I.L. (HQ, AAI letter #049/12/Q2 dated 22 June 44 addressed Army Sub Commission ACC refers)

Will you please forward statements for these formations similar to those called for in CM/52/AFA dated 13 Dec 44.

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for Major,
Lt.Col.,
Assistant Financial Adviser. 224
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MESSAGE FORM.

ST/102/3.

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AR 2/3

FR NIMIA

TO : Brit Ince 5 Army for NIMIA LO

15 1800 .A.

INFO: Pensouth for NIMIA LO

ST/509

RESTRICTED

Ref your 510/6/3 12 Dec (.) Soap requirements for ITIS 5 Army
being collected by 14 CRASO ex NAPLES for onward transmission
to you (.) *transmission 11 Dec*

Proc.

Auth.

1st Lt. Col.
St. Clair
for
Lt. Col.

Internal:- A/O.

323

KIM/aww

Subject: Soap ration - 231 Dv

MMIA IO
British Increment (A Branch)
Rear HQ Fifth Army,
CMF.

MMIA

510/6/Q

Copy to: Capt Cicogna

12 Dec 44

Neither the BRI-ITIS nor the ITI-ITIS of Fifth Army have received a ration of soap for November and December. The situation has become very critical.

Please advise when we may expect arrival of at least one month's consignment i.e. :-

13,000 rations for	BRI-ITIS
2,000 " "	ITI-ITIS.

am newton

A.M. NEWTON, Captain,
MMIA IO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

AMN/CAS

See folio 197
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SUBJECT: Basis of issues for certain
items for Italian Military.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/2/3
9 December 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, HQ Northern Base Section,
APO 386, U. S. Army.

1. Reference paragraph 2, letter AG 400.312 (BNQM) of 29 November from your headquarters concerning the basis of issue for razor blades, tobacco, and cigarettes for the Italian soldiers.

2. There is not a fixed basis of issue for the items listed above. There is not an adequate supply of the items to take care of both military and civilian needs. Therefore, the items were not listed on any fixed scale to be issued to Italian troops. The scale that the War Ministry tries to issue, is as follows, and can be used as a basis for placing your demands on this headquarters for the items to be shipped to Italian soldiers under your command.

(a) Cigarettes - Free issue, 5 per man per day.

On purchase basis when stock permit, 5 per man per day.

(b) Tobacco - Tobacco is not an item on the ration and there is no scale of issue for same, although 1 1/2 ounces per man per week would be approximately equal to the cigarette ration.

(c) Razor blades- The Italian War Ministry tries to issue razor blades on the basis of 2 blades per man per month, but they have been unable to meet the requirements even on this small basis of issue.

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

TTR/ri

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A4/2/3
SUBJECT:- Soap Requirements for Italian Armal Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.L.A.).
SE/111

8 Dec 44.

Direc. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.L.A.) LG's :
HQ LMG; 1 Dist; 3 Dist;
SE Area; SE Area; EIGHT;
SARDINIA; PERS.

N/10

Reference this office letter SE/111 dated 10 Nov 44.

1. Paragraph 5 should be amended to read as follows -

Similarly monthly amounts required by 8th Army, 5th Army (British Increment) and 1 District, will be made available from RAPID Depot for calling forward by 14 GRASO, who will mail forward as normal maintenance. This HQ letter SE/102 of 17 Oct 44 refers.

2. Please ensure that this amendment is carried out. 320

E.L. Mmen-Mason
Capt

for B.L. PERKINS
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADFC, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.L.A.).

SE/30

A4/213 191

Subject: Soap.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
6 Dec 44.

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Q/3/32.

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Land Forces Sub-Comm AG (MMIA)

1. The scale of soap issued to Italian Combat Units through British Ordnance channels is 3 ozs per fortnight. No issue of toilet soap is made nor are NAAFI facilities available for its purchase.

2. HQ Legnano report that the Italian War Depot has recently issued a new instruction increasing the issue of yellow soap to 350 grams (approx 12½ ozs) per month. The Combat groups being supplied from British Ordnance sources presumably receive no benefit from this increase.

3. It is requested that one of the following courses be adopted and the necessary instructions be issued:-

- (a) An increase in the monthly issue
- (b) A monthly Italian issue to supplement the British issue
- (c) The affording of NAAFI facilities.

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Major,
DAA&QMG.

RWG/NS

Copy to: Legnano Gruppo di Combattimento.

Lee Folio 202

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

MSG Center No

N97/02
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Classification

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Precedence

PBS SOUTHERN DIST. MMIALD

From

NORBASE

To

INFO MMIA

Date | Time Rec'd

022027A

Date | Time Sent

021600A

Reference NR

Cite

53/02

Acc 12/3
3/12

SECRET PD DISPATCHED ONE ZERO THOUSAND RAZOR BLADES FOR ITALIAN

MILITARY ON WAYBILL NINE FIVE FOUR SIX THREE REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT

FIVE XERO NINE PAREN TO NORBASE INFO MMIA FROM PBS SOUTHERN DISTRICT

MMIA LIAISON OFFIKER PAREN EASY TARE ABLE BORGO THREE DECEMBER PD

ch 3 per LAND FORCES S/O (MMIA)
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HEADQUARTERS
NORTHERN BASE SECTION
APO 386

29 November 1944

AG 400.312 (BNQM)

SUBJECT: Requirements of Soap (BTSVE IT), Tobacco and Blades, Razor, for
US-ITI Units NORBS.

TO : Commanding Officer, Military Mission Italian Army, APO 394,
U. S. Army.

1. In accordance with Cable your Headquarters, reference number
AQ 2200 dated 12 November 1944, following is listed requirements of Soap
(BTSVE IT), for US-ITI Units for the month of January 1944:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Soap (BTSVE IT)	Ton	2

2. It is requested that adequate quantities of Blades, razor and
Tobacco for US-ITI Units on Corsica for the month of January be shipped.

a. It is further requested that the appropriate scales to
base requests and issues of items referred to in paragraph 2, be for-
warded this Headquarters.

For the Commanding Officer:

C. M. Christie
C. M. CHRISTIE,
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General.

*Copy sent to S/T-
for action*

See Folio 193

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A9/2/3
REF. NO. 8466-STH/35

27 NOVEMBER 1944

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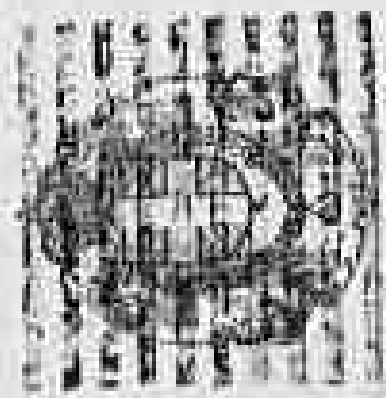
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MMIA LO REAR 8 ARMY INFO MMIA, 14 CRASC

RESTRICTED PD CAMPANIA COMMISSARIATO STATE COMMUNICATION RECEIVED FROM
TWO TWO EIGHT DIVISION THAT NO SOAP RECEIVED FOR OCTOBER PD REFERENCE
NUMBER EIGHT FOUR SIX SIX DASH SUGAR TARE NAN SLASH THREE FIVE PAREN TO
MMIA LO REAR EIGHT ARMY INFORMATION MMIA CMA ONE FOUR CRASC FROM PKS MMIA
LIAISON OFFICER PAREN ONE FOUR CRASC STATE KILLOGRAMS THREE THREE FIVE SIX
SOAP DESPATCHED FORWARD ONE FIVE OCTOBER ON RAIL CAR SIX EIGHT THREE NINE
THREE PD PLEASE INVESTIGATE PD

E. P. ZAYAZ
Captain, Infantry
M.E.I.A.

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Intesa
per

Roma, 20 NOV 1944

ALL THE LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION

A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

= R O M A =

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Div. V/E

N. 22942/V di Sped.

Allegato

Resposta al Foglio N. 2

OGGETTO Articoli da toletta per Gruppi di Combattimento.

Toletta addita per Gruppi

1/4

E' pervenuta dal Comando Gruppo di Combattimento "Friuli" la lettera che si unisce in copia.

Con riferimento agli accordi verbali intervenuti sull'argomento con codesta M.M.I.A., si resta in attesa di conoscere se e con quali norme i Gruppi di Combattimento potranno effettuare acquisti presso la N.A.A.F.I. degli oggetti di cui alla suddetta lettera.

Si conferma che sarebbe gradito che i Gruppi di Combattimento potessero inoltrare le richieste alla N.A.A.F.I. tramite i rispettivi ufficiali di collegamento, provvedendo direttamente al pagamento dell'importo dei generi prelevati.

Si soggiunge, altresì, che questo Ministero non ha nulla in contrario a regolarizzare i prelevamenti già eseguiti dai suddetti Gruppi, mediante il pagamento delle fatture in possesso di codesta

M.M.I.A.-

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M.M.I.A. -

P. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT:- Soap for use of Italian Element.

TO:- H.Q., M.M.I.A., C.M.F.

Ad 213

Considerable difficulty is being experienced in obtaining soap for the 911 Reparto Reggimento del Genio, which forms the Italian Element of this Unit.

I am informed by D.A.D.O.S., Florence Command that they cannot use the Command Laundry and that soap is issuable through M.M.I.A.

For some time I have been supplying them with small quantities from Unit sources, but in view of the fact that the Italian element are very shortly to be made up to full strength (154 ORs), the position has now become serious.

Will you please inform me from what source a regular issue of soap can be obtained.

Shedden

MAJOR. R.E.
O.C. 697 ARTIZAN WORKS COMPANY. R.E.

Field.
18 Nov 44.
ER/AM

This unit is a BR/ITI commitment
under command 5th Army, and is
located at Florence

014

SUBJECT:- Soap Requirements for CORSICA, December Maintenance.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102/4

18 Nov 44

A9/213

Copy to:- Northern Base Section (Signal AQ/2200, 12 Oct 44, refers)
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) IOs:
NAPLES;
SARDINIA.

A/Q.

Reference our ST/102/4 dated 10 Nov 44.

1. Please include with Items already detailed in above quoted letter for despatch to CORSICA via Sardinia 2 Tons of Soap.
2. This quantity represents approximately 30 days supply for all Italian troops in CORSICA.

SWC/jc

B.L. Perceval
101 B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

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FORM ALLIED AREA COM AND.

MESSAGE FORM.

FROM : M W I A.

DATE : 12 A

TO : CC WORKS

REFERENCE NO:

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A2206

CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

Refer your 5315 cte to: (.) Subject soap for USIAA Canteen (.)
Scale of issue is THREE HUNDRED grams of CNA quality soap per
man per month for all purposes including care of quadrants (.)
Indents required to reach 12th on 12th of month preceding month
of consumption (.) CNA will ship two tons to cover December
requirements (.) Thereafter please submit indents.

REFERENCE : LAORCHIT

Internal Copy:-

C & T.

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

See Folio 184
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Cont.

M/C NR 9226

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

18/12
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ALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN
FROM (A) CO NORBS			
TO (FOR ACTION) CG MMIA			MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR
TO (FOR INFORMATION)			

(REF. No.) 5315 CITE BNQM

(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION)

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YOUR ATTENTION IS INVITED TO PARAGRAPH 1B ANNEX E TO LETTER AFHQ FILE AG400/105D-O DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 1944, IN WHICH NO PROVISION IS MADE FOR SOAP FOR ANY USE BY US-ITI SOAP FOR US-ITIS DISCHARGED FROM VESSEL APDUN. REQUEST *HASBS OF ISSUE BE FORWARDED THIS HEAD-QUARTERS WITHOUT DELAY. REFERENCE CABLE LX50025 CITE SMQMC 1681 DATED 30 OCTOBER WHICH STATES SUPPLY OF SOAP NOR US-ITIS UNITS IS RESPONSIBILITY OF ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY THROUGH MMIS. IS A SUFFICIENT AUTOMATIC SUPPLY OD SOAP FOR US-ITIS CORSDCA ASSURED OR WILL IT BE NECESSARY TO SUBMIT OUR MONTHLY REQUIREMENTS TO YOU, IF LATTER APPLIES REQUEST PERTINENT INFORMATION BE FORWARDED THIS HEADQUARTERS. REQUESTED IN AN IMMEDIATE REPLY.

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See Folio 118 311

Received

PRIORITY

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12/11/47

PRECEDENCE:
ORIGINATING SECTION:
A. G. AUTHENTICATION:
ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

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*Spares - for A/Q
Cpl Baker*

(176/1)

SUBJECT:- Soap requirements for Italian Army and Air Force.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/111

Italian War Ministry.

10 Nov 1944.

Copy to:- ALL LO's, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).
A/Q.

1. Sufficient Soap is now being manufactured in the SAPONIFICIO RISORGIMENTO Bari to meet all requirements of the Italian Army and Air Force up to the end of December.
2. It is the responsibility of Ministry of War to ensure that sufficient stocks of soap are held in the Main Ration Depots, Rome, Naples, Bari, Taranto, Catanzaro, Sicily, Sardinia to meet all the needs of Italian Army and Air Force personnel stationed in those areas.
3. Naples and Bari Depots will also hold sufficient stocks to meet requirements of Italian troops operating in forward areas.
4. The monthly amounts required for Italian troops operating with PBS and 5th Army will be called forward by PBS from your Naples Depot and will be railed forward under PBS arrangements.
5. Similarly monthly amounts required by 6th Army will be made available in the Bari Depot for calling forward by 22 GRASC who will rail forward under their own arrangements.
6. Will you please forward to this office the quantities of soap in pounds to be held in the above mentioned Depots plus a 10% reserve.

Ration scale to be adopted for all purposes including (a) personnel use (b) Laundry (c) Cooks & MF personnel (d) Quadrupeds is 500 gms per man per month. 310

7. Movement for the quantities in para 2 and 3 above will be included in the Next Movement Bid as submitted through SMRE to this office.
8. With effect from the receipt of this letter, soap will be regarded as a normal ration and will be shown in your stock movement table.
MMIA LO's will also signal soap stocks held in their Sectors as at the 9th and 24th of each month as is done with other commodities.

J.W. Dunn Major
for B.L. PERCEVAL,
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
Lee Gabe 192

SWC/jc

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19/12/3
Subject:- N.A.A.F.I. Goods Equivalent - Italian Military Personnel.

HQ., ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FILPOT 282

LAB/1/64/3

5 Nov 44

D.A.D.L., M.M.I.A. (3)

1. It is understood and appreciated that despite many representations it has been ruled that N.A.A.F.I. Goods, even on a limited scale, will not be made available to Italian Military personnel, and that the provision of these extra but essential supplies or their equivalent is the responsibility of the Italian Ministry of War.
2. Up to date, however, such supplies have proved unobtainable and the complete non - availability of such items as toilet and shaving soap, razors, razor blades, toothpaste etc. places the individual Italian soldier in a very invidious position, harmful not only to his personal morale, but in no small degree to the efficiency of the Unit as a whole.
3. It is probable that the operational Italian Units under control of the British receive a higher priority for the issue of such Italian supplies than the Administrative Units, a fair proportion of which are Pioneers; again, despite the shortage of such goods on the Italian market it is felt that the Italian soldier working for the Allies should have priority over the Civilian in access to these essential items.
4. Whatever may be the cause, it is desirable now that these items should become available to the administrative personnel, presumably by increasing their priority of issue and by making the items available at convenient depots.
5. A very strong case in this connection is being put forward by H.Q. 5th Army (British Increment) through Italian Staff Channels, with particular reference to the I.P.L. Units and any weight you can bring to bear to improve the situation would be app reciated.

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Handwritten: 10/10/41
H. J. G.

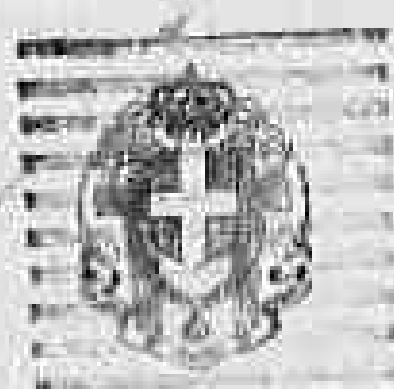
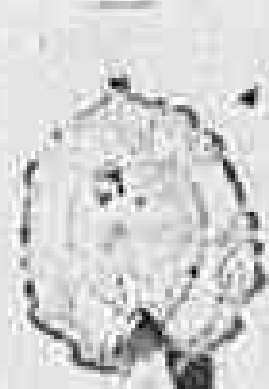
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Handwritten signature: H. J. G.

Brigadier.
Deputy Director of Labour.

Handwritten: Gen. A. G. 10/10/41

Handwritten signature: [Signature]



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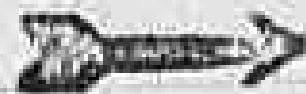
28 OTT 1944

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

DIV.

V.E.



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Allegato

ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM/TO DEL
COMANDO MIL. DEL LAZIO
UMBRIA E ABRUZZI = ROMA =
e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M.M.I.A. = ROMA =
AL COMANDO REPARTO AUTONOMO
MINISTERIALE = P.M. 151 =
(rif. 10979/IRam. del 16 corr.)

OGGETTO:

Richiesta di dentifri-
cio-lamette e rasoi
di sicurezza.

*request of tooth brushes
blades and razors*

AQ

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A seguito benestare verbale avuto dalla
M.M.I.A. si autorizza codesta Direzione a cede-
re a pagamento al Reparto Autonomo Ministeriale
i seguenti generi, da distribuire ai militari
del reparto:

-dentifrici
-rasoi di sicurezza
-lamette per detti rasoi

n. 1.500
" 1.500
" 1.500 pacchetti

p. IL MINISTRO

Cellina

29/10/44

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE: TIME OF ORIGIN

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FROM: NMIA

TO(FOR ACTION): 50, 51, 52, 53 SLN

RPTD MINISTRY OF WAR, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

REF NO. AG/2098

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MINISTRY OF WAR IS INCREASING SOAP RATION FROM 250 TO 350
GRAMMES PER MAN PER MONTH FOR COMBAT GROUPS (.) PLEASE
INFORM NMIA LOE (.) ALL INFORMED

PRIORITY: Room Time

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION: John Cap V

Internal: SPEC. SEC. NMIA

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M.M.I.A.	DO
FILE REF	2/3
Date Recd	5/11

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA

pc/ UFFICIO SERVIZI

N. 13694/CO di prot.

P.M. 120, li 27/10/944. =

OGGETTO = Assegnazione sapone.

request of laundry soap

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO

P. M. 120

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO CON LA M.M.I.A.

P. M. 120

Pregasi codesta Direzione disporre la cessione all'Ufficio Collegamento con la M.M.I.A. di Kg.4 di sapone da bucato, occorrente per la lavatura di effetti lettereschi e di cucina del personale addetto.

d'ordine

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
Capo dell'Ufficio Servizi
Ten.Col. di S.M. Enrico Cocco

Shur

*NA.
File*

5/11 gjs

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FROM PBS (MMIA LIAISON)

TO MMIA

~~8265~~
8265

SECRET

Reference Norbs 4797 CITE BAKER NAN QUEEN MIKE of 13 Oct
Subject soap and razor blades (.) Loaded on ship AUDUN 2
tons soap in 40 cashs in number 3 hatch 10,000 razor
blades in 1 case stored in mates cabin (.) To NORBS Info
MMIA, Comzone NATOUSA from PBS MMIA Liaison Officer "All
cases marked MMIA-4 Italian Military care of NORBS

See by HQ (in file)
File

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SECRET MMIA

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : N 68/24
Classification : S
Precedence : P
From : PBS (MMIA LIAISON)
To : MMIA (info)

Date Time Rec'd : 241829
Date Time Sent : 241537
Reference NR : 8265
Cite : _____

PRIORITY

SECRET PD REFERENCE NORBS FOUR SEVEN NINE SEVEN CITE BAKER VAN

QUEEN MIKE OF ONE THREE OCTOBER SUBJECT SOAP AND RAZOR ~~BLADES RPT~~

BLADES PD LOADED ON SHIP AUDUN ~~RPT AUDUN~~ TWO TONS SOAP IN FOUR ~~ZERO~~

CASES IN NUMBER THREE HATCH TEN THOUSAND RAZOR BLADES IN ONE CASE

STORED IN MATES CABIN PD (REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO SIX FIVE PAREN)

TO NORBS INFO MMIA CVA COV ~~ZONE~~ NATIUSA FROM PBS MMIA ~~RPT MMIA~~ LIAISON

OFFICER PAREN ALL CASES MARKED MMIA DASH FOUR ITALIAN MILITARY/CARE

OF NORBS

INT
MMIA 304

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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Register No.

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Srl. No.

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Transmit. Instructions

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

FBS MIA LO

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

231630

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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24/10

For Action

ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA FOR SIGONS

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MIA

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

8254 (.) SECRET (.) LOADED TODAY ON CRUISER ABRUZZI (.) 275 KILOGRAMS SOAP FOR
600 WORKSHOP GROUP UNDER HALL

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN
BY ANY MEANS { EXCEPT } WIRELESS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MES-
SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

IMPORTANT

SIGNED

SIGNED

Time 303 Op.

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Time cleared

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20 Oct 44

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To: MMIA, Rome
and for infm 53 BIU
From: MMIA LO, FOLGORE

MMIA	AR
File Ref	2/3
Date Recd	25/10/

Subject - Soap

1. In your adm instruction No 13 Para 6(c) it is laid down that the Italian War Ministry will supply soap to tps.
2. No soap ration was received in September. Ministry of War says that soap was sent to Adriatic sector and has not replaced it.
3. In October a ration of 250 grammes per man has been distributed, - an amount that does not suffice for men in trg to wash themselves and their clothes.
4. Could instructions be given that September ration be replaced and that soap be issued on an adequate scale. This will later be important. Otherwise Br Ord clothing will suffer.

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26/10 JB

Answered - increase to 350 grammes. 1 ship also

SUBJECT: Soap

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
AQ/2/3
20 October 1944

TO: Ministry of War

1. No soap issue was made to the FOLGORE Division for September, owing to the fact that it was wrongly consigned to 228 Division. Consequently the FOLGORE Division is now short of soap.
2. The Ministry of War will, therefore, take prompt action to meet the present needs of the FOLGORE Division and ensure that future supplies are regularly received.

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M M I A

JGB/ri

Copy to: MMIA LO Naples (your STN/35 dated 18 Oct 44 refers)
MMIA LO with 53 BLU

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Subject: Soap for Folgore.

LIAISON OFFICER
MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
STN/35

18 October 1944.

To: MMIA
Rome

1. The September soap issue for Folgore Division was sent to the wrong destination, 228 Division, in error.
2. As there seems little likelihood of this soap being rationed, may a reissue for September please be made to the Folgore Division?

Homer E. Long
HOMER E. LONG
Major, QMG
Executive Officer

RJB/jlm

20/10 jp

Answered

See folio 171

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

From: MMIA

16 1500 A

To: CG COMZONE NATOSA MAIN

Rpt PENBASE for MMIA LO - AFHQ.

AQ 2031

SECRET

REFERENCE COMZONE LX47429 CITE SSTPN 1451 (.) PAREN HOME
AREA _____ PAREN (.) REASON OUR REQUEST FOR YOU TO
ARRANGE SHIPPING WAS NORBASE REQUEST FOR AIR TRANSPORT WHICH
COULD ONLY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY YOU (.) OTHERWISE WE WILL
COMPLY WITH CIRCULAR 110

PRECEDENCE

Routine

AUTHENTICATED

W. B. Call

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MCNR 2986

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM



CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			

FROM (A) CG COMZONE NATOUSA MAIN SIGNED LARKIN	DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 151545A
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TO (FOR ACTION) MMIA

TO (FOR INFORMATION) CG AFHQ	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS	GR
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(REF. No.) LX-47429 CITE SSTPN 1451 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) **SECRET**

RAZOR BLADES AND SOAP REURAD R 700 CITE A/Q 2021 OF 14 OCTOBER. ATTENTION INVITED TO 90S NATOUSA CIRCULAR NUMBER 110 DATED 27 SEPTEMBER, 2 COPIES OF WHICH WERE FURNISHED MMIA. SUBJECT CIRCULAR PRESENTS SOP FOR HANDLING OF INTER THEATER SHIPMENTS TO AND FROM AMERICAN OPERATED PORTS, AND DESCRIBES IN DETAIL MANNER OF PREPARATION OF SHIPPING ORDER DOCUMENTS. REQUEST MMIA LIAISON OFFICER, PENBASE CONTACT LIEUTENANT WOLLMAN ON MISSOURI 59 REGARDING ASSISTANCE ON THIS PARTICULAR SHIPMENT WHICH IS UNDERSTOOD AS URGENT. HOWEVER, FOR FUTURE SHIPMENTS REQUEST PROCEDURES OF 90S CIRCULAR NUMBER 110 REFERRED TO ABOVE BE FOLLOWED EXACTLY.

16/10 *gpb*

*Approved by 21C
Signed BIRD*

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

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SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			

FROM (A) COMZONE NATOUSIA SIGNED LARKIN	DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 151541A
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TO (FOR ACTION) NORBS	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR
TO (FOR INFORMATION) MMIA	

IMPORTANT

(REF. No.) LX-47426 CITE SSQMC-133	(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED
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SUPPLIES FOR SLAMS, REFERENCE CABLE 4797, CITE BNOM, 13 OCTOBER IS SUBJECT. AUTHORIZED IS CONTINUANCE OF SUPPLY OF BALDES, RAZOR AND SOAP TO SLAV PERSONNEL FROM UNITED STATES ARMY STOCK, PENDING RECEIPT OF TIEMS THROUGH MMIA SUPPLY, REFERENCE MMIA CABLE R 700, CITE A/Q2021, DATED 14 OCTOBER YEAR CURRENT

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MESSAGE PAGE

From : NMIA

To : CG COMZONE MARCHIA
Repeated PIR for NMIA LO
CG MARCHIA
Ministry of War.

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Reference NMIA 4797 cite NMIA of 13 Oct subject soap and razor blades (.) Two
box soap and ten thousand razor blades available Italian Army Depot MARCHIA
through NMIA LO MARCHIA for immediate shipment to NMIA (.) Request you arrange
transportation (.) For NMIA LO (.) Process above items and release on order COMZONE
(.) Paren Bone Area _____ Paren (.)

Precedence URGENT

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Internal: - RPT NMIA
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CG COMZONE MATOUSA CG MILIA			
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4797. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~. Ref your LX46413 cite SQMC 119, dated 10 Oct maintenance of Post Exchange supplies from US sources for Slav personnel effective 12 Oct is discontinued suggest air transportation for the following items soap and razor blades particularly soap, be arranged in view of time element involved in transporting items from Italian sources by other means. If air transportation cannot be arranged request authority to continue issue from US sources.

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of 2 items referred to above until arrival of supplies from Italian sources.						
It is the opinion of this HQ that a serious personal hygiene problem will arise if air transportation cannot be arranged or authority to issue from US stocks until arrival of supplies from Italian sources is not granted. This based on time element involved between notification for shipment from Italian sources and actual arrival of supplies.						
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SUBJECT: Maintenance of Folgore Division

LIAISON OFFICER
MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
STN/33b

12 October 1944

TO : MMIA LO Folgore

Copy: MMIA Hq.

Ref. your letter of 10 Oct. 44

1. Rations Hq. M.M.I.A. Rome have decreed that the ration of olive oil shall be, until further orders, 10 gms. We notified all units of this in STN/33/b signal No. 8156.

2. AL63 and WSP An allotment is made to the Italian Army from allied sources. The Medical Department Commando Militare della Campania are the people to be contacted on this score. It is quite probable that the War Ministry and Hq. have left you off the allocation. We will inquire.

3. Bread and Flour Reserve Biscuits are not available here at the moment. No flour will be dispatched on the next two packs but will continue as usual after that.

4. Soap Soap must be procured through Commando Militare della Campania. Will you instruct your Hq. to contact them on this subject? Soap is being manufactured locally and transported from Bari for subsequent issues.

5. P.O.L The Folgore representative did not report to this office, but D.A.D.S.T. of "C."B.L.U. did, complete with sufficient wagons to transport half of the petrol allotment. He informed this office that he was drawing all the petrol for both groups, and a signal I received from M.M.I.A. L.O. Legnano the same day, rather pointed to the fact that both groups were in the picture.

6. Containers Only 1000 containers are available for this P.O.L. commitment. The C.I.P. have no other containers. If empties are not returned promptly, the following allotments must necessarily be delayed.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer

16/10 JJB
17 Oct
RJB/ed

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SUBJECT: Boiled Articles for Italian Grues

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
File No. 6/2/20/1 ✓
9 Oct 44

TO : A. S. C. P. E. F. MIA

1. Further to this office letter of even date, copy of AAI letter 2049/12/42 date 5/10/44 is forwarded for information and for action.

Maj Gen
M H I A

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SUBJECT: Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tele:- FILPOT 209

2049/12/Q2

5 Oct 44

MMIA

Reference AFHQ letter 2554/Q (Maint) dated 27 Sep 44.

1. When Italian Gruppi enter the operational zone, the procedure laid down in para 4 of the above quoted letter will apply, demands being submitted to the DC EFI at this HQ.

Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Copy to:- AFHQ
DC EFI - with copy of letter under reference. Please note that no action should be taken until Gruppi enter the operational zone.

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SUBJECT: Toilet Articles for Italian Gruppi

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
File No. S/Q/29/1
6 Oct 44

TO : AFHQ

1. Reference your AFHQ/2554/Q (maint) dated 27 Sep 44 para 1 it is pointed out that six Italian Gruppi are being formed in accordance with the following program:

(a) By end October - First, Second, Third & Fourth Gruppi

(b) By end November - Fifth & Sixth Gruppi

Copy to: H.Q. AAI
I.F.I.

[Signature]
Maj Gen
M M I A

See Folio 214

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SUBJECT: Telnet Articles For Italian Gruppi

HQ ALLIED ARMS E: ITALY.

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Tele:- FIVEOT 209.

2049/12/02.

5 Oct 44.

MMIA

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Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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C O P Y

FROM (A) CG, COMZONE NATOUSA SIGNED LARKIN

Date-Time of Origin
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TO (FOR ACTION) NORBS, MMIA

Oct

TO (FOR INFORMATION)

(Ref. No.) LX-46413
CITE SSQMC-1194, SSGDS

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POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES, REFERENCE NORBS CABLE 4531 CITE BNCDE DATED 29 SEPTEMBER 1944 IS SUBJECT. AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF SLAV TROOPS WITH TOILET ARTICLES AND POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES, REFERENCE L1290 CITE SSQMC 5362, DATED 17 FEBRUARY 1944, IS RESCINDED. TOBACCO, GIGARRETTES AND TOILET ARTICLES WILL BE FURNISHED FROM ITALIAN SOURCES ONLY AND NOT FROM ALLIED SOURCES, AND ON SCALE AUTHORIZED BY ITALIAN ARMY, REFERENCE LETTER AFHQ FILE AG 400/105D-0, SUBJECT: SUPPLY OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES (ARMY, NAVY AND AIR) DATED 22 SEPTEMBER 1944. NOT FAVORABLY CONSIDERED IS AUTHORITY FOR INCREASED RATIONS REQUESTED CABLE 4531 CITE BNCDE DATED 29 SEPTEMBER IN VIEW OF FOREGOING. FOR MMIA ONLY: REQUEST ACTION BE TAKEN TO FURNISH PERSONNEL REFERRED TO ABOVE WITH CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 11, LETTER, AFHQ, DATED 22 SEPTEMBER REFERRED TO ABOVE.

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HQ FOLGORE

10 Oct 44

12/10/44

AQ 2/3

To:- MMIA, Rome

From MMIA LO, FOLGORE

Copy to:-MMIA c/o PBS, Naples.

Subject - SOAP

1. Tps of this gp received no soap ration for September. Inquiries show that soap was sent NORTH to Army area.
2. Comando Militare Campania states that October issue is not available.
3. As it is essential to health that tps should be able to wash themselves and their clothes and as soap cannot be obtained locally may authority be given for issue in lieu of Sep ration. In view of urgency FOLGORE would send tpt to BARI to collect.
4. Shaving soap and razor blades which were sometimes on issue, sometimes available locally on the Adriatic cannot be obtained here.

12/10 164
J. H. Phillips
J A PHILIP / Cape

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J. H. Philip

J A PHILIP / *Cape*

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W. J. H. Philip

SUBJECT: Soap Ration

Military Mission Italian Army
ROME
AQ 2/3
8 October 1944.

TO: D. Tn.
Tn. Increment, AFHQ.

1. Arrangements have now been completed for a larger amount of soap to be manufactured for the Italian Army.

2. The Italian Ministry of War is accordingly working out an increased scale for Italian Dock Operating Coys, in consideration of the nature of their work. The increased scale will come into effect shortly.

JGB/r1

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES, Lt. Col.
for Major General
U. S. I. A.

Copy to: HQ No. 2 District
HQ No. 3 District
NMIA LG No. 2 District
NMIA LG 52 Area
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FROM MMIA LO 228 DIV 04NFT

TO HQ MMIA ROME

MMIA LO NAPLES

MMIA LO 1 DIST

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IF20 . CONFIDENTIAL . ITALIAN TRUCK FIAT 626 NUMBER

RE 5240530 LEFT HQ 223

DIV ON 24 SEPT TO DRAW FUNDS

AND SOAP IN NAPLES .

SHOULD HAVE REPORTED AT MAGAZZINO VIVERI NAPLES .

HAS NOT YET RETURNED . NAME OF OC CPT SARTORI .

PLEASE MAJE ENCI// ENQUIRIES AND SIGNAL THIS HQ

ANY INFORMATION

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA
TO : MAIN AAI

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REFER Q 2028 DATED 28 SEPT (*) AFHQ LETTER AG/400/105/ D-3
OF 22 SEPT DOES NOT EPT NOT ~~AUTHORISE~~ ANY OF ITEMS IN AQ 1755
OF 1 AUG (*) ITALIANS ARE PROVIDING SOAP AS MY AQ/2/3 OF 4 OCT (*)
UNDERSTAND AFHQ AUTHORIZING SPECIAL ISSUE OF RAZORS ETC FOR
COMBAT GROUPS ONLY (*) ITALIAN IMPROVISATION HAS TO COVER OTHER
ITEMS FOR REMAINDER OF ITALIAN ARMY (.) PAREN ROME AREA
PAREN

PRESUMED

AUTHENTICATED

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Subject: Soap.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
ROME
AV/2/3

4 Oct 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Arrangements have been made with the Industry Sub Commission for the SAPONIFICIO RISONCIMENTO, Via PASUBIO 61, BARI to manufacture soap for the Italian Army and Air Force. Materials have been released for immediate production, sufficient to meet all requirements of the Italian Army and Air Forces up to 31 Dec 44.

2. Material has been released as under :-

To Army :

a) Caustic Soda - - 60 qlis, direct to factory.
This is additional to the 101 qlis, solid and 228 qlis, liquid Caustic Soda already held by the Italian Army at the factory.

b) Fats - - 523 qlis from CASLINI, MONOPOLI.
400 qlis from COSTA, TARANTO.
280 qlis from RIZZELLI, SPONGANO (nr OTRANTO)

To Air Force

a) Caustic Soda - - sufficient quantity direct to factory.

b) Oils - - 240 qlis from S.A. Anglani, S. PIETRO VERNOTICO.

730 qlis of fat are already held by the Air Force. No additional release is therefore made.

3. The Ministry of War will be responsible for transport of the above materials to the SAPONIFICIO RISONCIMENTO, and will arrange that the 523 qlis of fats released from CASLINI, MONOPOLI are transported immediately, so that production may start without delay.

4. The Ministry of War will ensure that only the materials and the amounts shown above, are drawn, and only from the locations specified. Withdrawals or releases from any other source, or in excess of these amounts are not authorized.

F. J. Noonan

F. J. Noonan Lt. Col.

b) Fats - 523 qlis from GASLINI, MONOPOLI.
400 qlis from COSTA, TARANTO.
230 qlis from RIZZELLI, SPONGARO (at OTRANTO)

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JB/ah

F. J. Noonan

F. J. NOONAN Lt. Col.
For Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: AFHQ.
HQ AAI.
Industry Sub Commission.
Air Forces Sub Commission.

See Folio 159

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Subject:- SOAP for Docks Operating Coys.

To: HQ. MMIA.

MMIA. LO.
o/o HQ 52 Area

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Is there any chance of raising the ration scale of SOAP for Italian Docks Operating Coys? I have received many queries on my inspections, etc, and they appear to have a deserving case.

30 Sep 44

W. S. Lawford.
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

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Ration increased

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Casermaggio e Combustibili

N. 4925/c di prot.

P. M. 107, II **22 SET. 1944**

Risposta al foglio N. del Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Richiesta Materie grasse.

Richiesta da Stato f. 2/2

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELL'A.C.C.

- Comando Principale - = R O M A =

Si trasmettono per l'approvazione, nelle prescritte sei copie, n. 4 richieste di materie grasse (olio al solfuro, ecc.) occorrenti, rispettivamente, alle dipendenti Direzioni di Commissariato dei Comandi Militari della Sicilia, Sardegna, Campania e Puglia e Lucania, per assicurare le distribuzioni del sapone alle truppe del R. Esercito.

Nel fabbisogno della Puglia e Lucania è compreso anche quello della circoscrizione di ~~12~~ **1282** ove sono ancora in corso di definizione trattative per forniture.-

p. IL MINISTRO

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S E C R E T

Subject: Supply of Personal Items - Italian Army.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AC/2/3

18 Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

During the present re-organisation of CIL,
and formation of Combat Groups, the Ministry of War
will undertake the supply of soap and other personal
items to the personnel of these groups.

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES Lt. Col.
For Major General.
M.M.I.A.

JB/nh

Copy to: Spec. Sec. MMIA.
MMIA LO NAPLES
MMIA LO's with "A" "B" "C" "D" BLUs.

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From: CEFI HQ EFI AFHQ CMF.

EFI Headquarters. 153/11

20 Sept 44.

To: Major Head, HQ MMIA, CMF.

CEFI.17/15.

Subject: Toilet Articles for Italian Military.

I enclose herewith copy of Q(Maint) letter reference AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 12th instant in connection with the above.

I regret that the letter could not be found while you were in the office yesterday, and trust this has caused you no inconvenience.

Enc.

[Signature]
Colonel.
Commander EFI.
BNAF & AAI.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Q MAINT BRANCH

13 Sept. 1944

SUBJECT :- Toilet Articles for
Italian Military.

AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint)

12 Sept. 44

TO :- C+4(A) thru' C-4(B) (A/DCMG)

1. Reference the Meeting held on 4 Sept. 44 to discuss procedure of supply and administration of Italian Military Forces on a national and international basis and draft Administrative Memorandum connected therewith.

2. It is suggested that para. 9 be amended to include the supply of toilet articles for the Italian Military.

3. The proposed scale to be as follows :-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Initial Issue</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>
Razors	1 per 2 men	NIL
Razor Blades	NIL	2 per month
Toothbrush	1	1 per 4 months
Brushless Shaving		
Cream - U.S. issue	NIL	1 per 2 months
Shaving Brush -		
British Issue	1 per 2 men	NIL

a. Initial issues to be phased over a period of 3 months.

b. Maintenance items to be subject to availability.

c. Articles for supply to ITI - ITI's to be on a basis of 50% U.S. and 50% British issues.

d. All issues to be on repayment from E.F.I. or P.X.

4. The above has been agreed with the QM.

Copy to :- QM.
E.F.I.

M.C.F. SHARP, Brigadier,
for Major-General,
D.Q.M.G.

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Subject: Supply of Personal Items - Italian Army.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/2/3

17 Sep 44

H.Q., A.A.I.

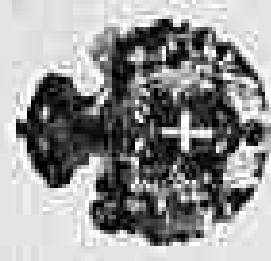
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Ref your 2049/12/Q2 dated 25 Aug 44.

1. In view of the present re-organisation, and change of policy regarding supplies to Italian Forces, it is not proposed to draw the monthly replacement of EPI items for CIL.
2. The Ministry of War have been instructed to undertake to supply soap and other available items to the Combat Groups.

JB/nh

F.J. Noakes
F.J. NOAKES Lt.Col.
For Major General
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

Copy to: HQ AAI for DG. EPI.
HQ No.2 District for AC.EPI (our signal AQ 1871
of 6 Sep also refers)
MMIA LO No.2 District.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4603/C di prot. P. M. 107, li 15 SET 1944

Risposta al foglio N. _____ del _____ Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Sapone Raggruppamento Forze Italiane 8^a Armata.-

M.M.I.A.	AR
FILE REF	213
Date Recd	16/9/44

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA C.A.C.

R O M A

A seguito della nota n.4399/C del 1° settembre 1944, si fa presente che la Direzione di Commissariato del Comando Militare della Campania, in aggiunta al suo telegramma inviato in copia a codesta Sottocommissione con la nota anzidetta, ha comunicato quanto segue:

"Si conferma il telegramma odierno n.2382/3 così concepito:

Riscontro tele 4305/C datato 25 agosto punto Raggruppamento Forze Italiane Ottava Armata habet ritirato giorno 25 intero quantitativo sapone richiesto per agosto circa quintali quarantasei et mezzo oltre residuo spettanza luglio in quintali ventuno quì giacente sua disposizione da fine luglio punto -

A maggior chiarimento si soggiunge che il 25 luglio u.s., all'Ufficiale del Comando Forze Italiane 8^a Armata, presentatosi a questa Direzione, venne rilasciata seduta stante l'autorizzazione al prelevamento dell'intero quantitativo di sapone richiesto per quel mese. Senonchè ne fu ritirata soltanto una parte perchè l'ufficiale non disponeva di mezzi di trasporto adeguati.-

Soltanto il 25 agosto, a un mese di distanza, altro Ufficiale si è presentato per ritirare la spettanza di agosto e subito è stato autorizzato il prelevamento. In tale occasione l'Ufficiale incaricato ha ritirato anche il residuo di luglio, e cioè in complesso q/li 67,59.-

Direttore Commissariato F^o Ten.Colonnello Riso".-

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Effettuato il controllo delle copie dei buoni di prelevamento qui inviate dalla sopracitata Direzione, è risultato che l'Ufficiale incaricato si è presentato per il prelevamento del sapone effettivamente nei giorni suindicati, ritirando una parte del fabbisogno nel mese di luglio e la rimanenza nel mese di agosto, con le spettanze di quest'ultimo mese.-

Da quanto è stato riferito e dagli accertamenti eseguiti appare che l'inconveniente verificatosi sia dovuto unicamente al fatto che i mezzi di trasporto, di cui disponeva l'incaricato del prelevamento, non erano sufficienti per il trasporto dell'intero fabbisogno di sapone.=

P. IL MINISTRO

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MMIA LO DISTONE

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RESTRICTED

Ref your LO/10/Q4 of 8 (.) War Ministry have already arranged
to rail TEN TONS soap to ORTONA during week 11 - 16 Sep for CIL (.)
Paren ROME area _____ Paren (.) This is now consigned to
209 Div (.) Ministry informing 209 Div accordingly

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Subject: Sosp Ration.

Army Sub Commission, (ACC).,
MIA., L.O., No. I District.

- 2 Sept 44.

Ref: 4.9/4.3.

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To: H.V.,
209 Division.

Copy to: Army Sub Commission, (MIA)., }
H.V., A.C.C., ROME.
No. I District.
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H. A. Howard

M.M.I.A., L.O., No. I District.
Lt. Col.,

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

ARMY FORM C2186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 148

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Transmission Instructions

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For Action

REAR EIGHTH ARMY

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

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Originator's No.

AQ 1878(.) FOR MORIARTY X.) New ration scale does not rpt not affect
issue cigarettes which are Italian Army responsibility (.) tpt bids
for cigarettes to ORTONA were week 14/20 Aug four tons comma week
21/27 Aug five tons comma week 4/10 Sep five tons and week 11/17 Sep
four tons (.) which of above bids has arrived or have 209 Div failed
to distribute from ORTONA (.) Ministry state 209 Div responsible
for distribution

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TO NMIA

INFO DISTONE 61 AREA HQ 209 DIV

HQ 228 DIV NMIA LO 8 ARMY

FROM NMIA LO DISTONE

LO/10/Q4

RESTRICTED FOR NOAKES FROM HOWARD (.)

IN ORDER TO SATISFY DISTONE COMMITMENTS FOR

TWO MONTHS PLEASE ENSURE WAR MINISTRY SY// SUPPLY// SUPPLY

SOONEST 100000 CIGARETTES AND 100/2/4

TEN TONS SOAP (.) SUGGEST RAILED BY ONE WAGON PER DAY

PLACED AT DISPOSAL NMIA BY 8 ARMY (.)

REQUIRED DESTINATION I E S I (.) ADVISE

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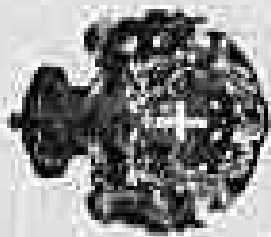
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4589/0 di prot.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carte annesse

P. M. 107, li 8 SET. 1944 ~~794~~

OGGETTO: SAPONE.

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA C.A.G.

R. O. M. A.

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La disposizione medesima concerne inoltre eventuali limitate distribuzioni a personale operaio militarizzato presso stabilimenti del R.Esercito.-

P. IL MINISTRO

Xell'ign

Subject: Soap.

SCA
Army Sub Commission(MMLA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AC/2/D.

2 Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

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F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES Lt. Col.
For Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMLA)

Surfence 8 Sep

no reply

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TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Measure Instructions

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~~ASSUMED~~ PES for MIA - ST.

Circulation in Dec.

AQ 1867 (.) RESTRICTED (.) FIRST (.) War Ministry state sixty seven quintals soap drawn by TOMASELLI on 25 Aug (.) SECOND (.) Future soap supplies will be railed monthly to SPS Div same way as food rations (.) First consignment will be for September

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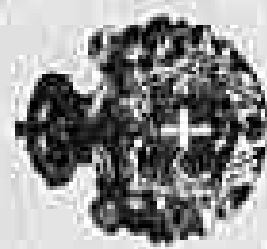
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4436/C di prot.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carle annesse

P. M. 107. li

- 4 SET 1944 - 794

OGGETTO: Spettanze mensili: sapone, nero lucido e candele.-

AL LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'Esercito DELL'A.C.C.

R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI AMMINISTRATIVI

S E D E

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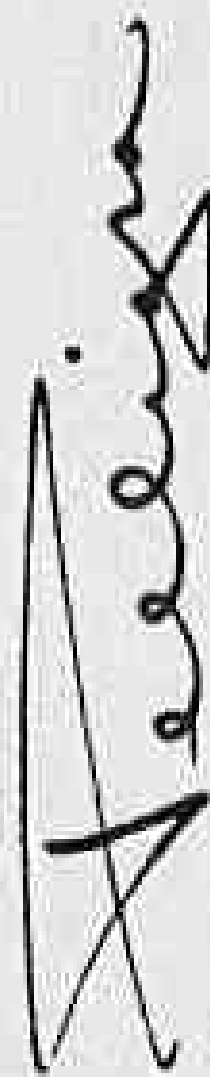
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Si comunica quanto sopra per opportuna informazione e per quanto concerne i rapporti di codesta Sottocommissione circa i rifornimenti delle truppe italiane.

P. IL MINISTRO



1-9-44

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

- G A B I N E T T O -

N.12190/C.A.

P.M.107 li 30 agosto 1944

OGGETTO: Spettanze mensili: sapone, nero lucido e candele steariche.

ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO S E D E

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI AMMINISTRATIVI S E D E

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d'ordine

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

T.to Col.di S.M. E.De Michelis 207

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Per Copia Conforme

Il Direttore Capo Divisione I.

(Maggiore Guido Gulso)



MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA

To : ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY

Rptd : S&T AAI
S&T DISTHREE
PES FOR MMIA
14 CRASC SUPPLY UNITS

Date
TOO. 03.1225.B.

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MINISTRY OF WAR LIAISON.

30 AUGUST '44.

COL BASILE.

1. Meeting held with Col Basile and 2 i/c to discuss lack of distribution of soap to forward tps and solution for the future.

i) It was discovered that Gen Tomasselli ~~received~~ was issued with full allotment of soap for July as result of Naples state showing issues.

Investigation being held as to statement that Gen Tomasselli only received half July allotment.

ii) Agreed that no issues were made during month of August owing to fall through of rail tpt of stocks from Bari to Naples. This since put right with Movements.

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iv) Discussion with Movements show that it would be very complicated to use rail tpt. This involves having soap stocks in Rome, 8 Army to bid for space on pack. Present system show no guarantee for either soap to reach Rome or to be put on right train.

v) Decided that same system as used for rations to be adopted.

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Further decisions to be made on answer from CRASC.

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Gen Oxilia is drawing up an Office Instruction and will send us a copy.

Gen Oxilia and his staff will now be able to answer all problems in conjunction with the various services.

This will in no way affect direct liaison and communication being held with any department.

My own
 Major.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Casermaggio e Combustibili

N. 4399/C di prot.

P. M. 107, II - 1 SET. 1944

Risposta al foglio N. *Ref. 107, II - 1 SET. 1944*

Carte/annesse

OGGETTO: *Rifornimento sapone per il Raggr. Truppe*

Italiane 8^a Armata Alleata.-

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.

= Comando Principale = P. M. 151

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A seguito delle comunicazioni verbali di ieri, si trasmette, per conoscenza, copia del telegramma pervenuto dalla Direzione di Commissariato del Comando Militare della Campania in merito al rifornimento sapone del Raggruppamento FF.AA. Italiane 8^a Armata Alleata.-

Sono già in corso gli accertamenti concordati con codesta Sottocommissione, dei quali si riferirà l'esito al più presto possibile.=

p. IL MINISTRO 0264

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DA DIRECOMMILES NAPOLI

N/RO 2382/3 RISCONTRO TELE 4305/C DATATO 23 CORRENTE PUNTO
RAGGRUPPAMENTO FORZE ITALIANE OTTAVA ARMATA HABET RITIRATO
GIORNO 25 INTIERO QUANTITATIVO SAPONE RICHIESTO PER AGOSTO
CIRCA QUINTALI 46 ET MEZZO OLTRE RESIDUO SPETTANZA LUGLIO
IN QUINTALI 21 QUI GIACENTE SUA DISPOSIZIONE DA FINE LUGLIO
PUNTO DIRETTORE COMMISSARIATO RISO ORE 220029081944

P. C. C.
IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE ff.
(Magg. Comm/rio Guido Guiso)

Guiso



MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA
To : ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY
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IMPORTANT

Copy to:- "Q" MMIA.

3/9 1946

Subject: Soap.

Army Sub Commission (MIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
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MINISTRY OF WAR

2 Sep 44

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For Major General.
Army Sub Commission (MIA)

See Folio 146

Subject:- Caustic Soda.

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Army Sub Commission(MITA)
HQ. A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/54 2/3
Sept 44

Ministry of War

135
Ref your 4361/C dated 28 AUG 44.

1. It is confirmed that ONE release only of 10 tons Caustic Soda was made during August.
2. As the soap requirements for the Italian Army, including Air Force and CC RR, do not exceed 1200qli, an additional release of Caustic Soda is not justified.

JB/jmr

F.J. Noakes Lt.Col.
for Major General
Army Sub Commission(MITA)

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
Divisione Casermaggio e Combustibili

N 4349/C di prot.
Risposta al foglio N. _____ del _____

P. M. 107. II 28 AGO 1944 ~~II~~

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Spettanza nuovo tipo sapone.-

New type of soap
Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.
COMANDO PRINCIPALE

P.M. 151/A

DATA	48
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Si trasmette, per opportuna conoscenza,
copia della Circolare n. 4130/C in data 16 ago-
sto c.a., relativa alla distribuzione del sa-
pone da bucato con tenore 60-62% di acidi gras-
si.-

P. IL MINISTRO

Delegato

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject: Supp es for Italian
Combat Troops.

2D 13 138
28 August 44.

ACC (MAIA)

I have received advice from DC.EFI that you have requested that the second issue of supplies should be drawn on the 1st September by UTILE and NEMBO groups of C.I.L.

It is noted that request has been made for the release to be made from the most northerly point on the East Coast.

We are experiencing difficulty in the transportation of sufficient stores forward to meet our commitments there. In these circumstances, if the stores are required immediately, I would prefer that they are drawn from our establishment in Bari, as was the previous consignment.

2/9 112
Answered
Major,
AC. EFI. No.2 District, ANI.

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See folio 145
also 139.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject: Supplies for Italian 2D/73
Combat Troops. 30 August 44.

ACC (MMIA)

MMIA	1-2
FRANCE	2/3
Detached	19/

Further to my letter 2D/73 dated 28th August, 44, I have received instructions by signal from HQ.EFI.AAI, that Toothpaste will not be issued.

2/9/44. Answered
[Signature]
Major,
AC. EFI. No.2 District, AAI.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 1130/C di prot.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

P. M. 107, li 16 agosto 1944

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: **cedere.**

cedere.

Alle DIREZIONI DI COMMISSARIATO DEI COMANDI MILITARI

DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
DELLA CALABRIA
DELLA CAMPANIA
DELLA SICILIA
DELLA SARDEGNA
DEL TERRITORIO DI

P. M. 67

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P. M. 126

P. M. 50

R O M A

E, PER CONOSCENZA:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - G A D I E T T O -

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. E. - SEZ. COM. / TO -

AL COMANDO CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE

- Ufficio Commissariato -

AI COMANDI MILITARI

DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA

DELLA CALABRIA

DELLA CAMPANIA

DELLA SICILIA

DELLA SARDEGNA

DEL TERRITORIO DI

AL COMANDO DEL REPARTO AUTONOMO MINISTRIALE

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R O M A

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Le difficoltà di approvvigionamento di silosati in imposito
nella fabbricazione del sapone un maggiore impiego di materie grasse,
in rapporto al costo di acidi grassi.

DELLA SICILIA
DELLA SARDEGNA
DEL TERRITORIO DI

P.M. 126
P.M. 50
ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - C A B I N E T T O -
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.E. - Sez. Coma/to -
AL COMANDO CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE

- Ufficio Commissariato -

AI COMANDI MILITARI

DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA

DELLA CALABRIA

DELLA CAMPANIA

DELLA SICILIA

DELLA SARDEGNA

DEL TERRITORIO DI

AL COMANDO DEL REPARTO AUTONOMO MINISTERIALE

P.M. 67

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ROMA

SEBBE

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Le difficoltà di approvvigionamento di silicati ha imposto nella fabbricazione del sapone un maggiore impiego di materie grasse, ottenendo così un prodotto al 60-62% di acidi grassi.

Tale nuovo tipo di sapone sarà messo quanto prima in distribuzione, riuscendo opportunamente la spettabile tenuta conto della maggiore resa rispetto al tipo ora impiegato, al 41-47% di acidi grassi.

Le competenze mensili della nuova qualità di sapone vengono, quindi, fissate come segue:

- gr. 125 per la pulizia personale
- gr. 125 per la lavatura della biancheria - qualora gli enti e reparti non usufruiscono del servizio di lavanderia presidiario
- gr. 125 supplemento per cuochieri e addetti ad officine, laboratori, ecc.
- gr. 125 per i quadrupedi.

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Le cessioni a pagamento saranno effettuate al prezzo di
lire 20 (venti) l. KG.-

Nel caso di eventuali cessioni ad enti o persone non appar-
tenenti alle FF.AA., il prezzo suddetto sarà aumentato a lire
25,00 (venticinque) l. KG.-

P. IL MINISTRO

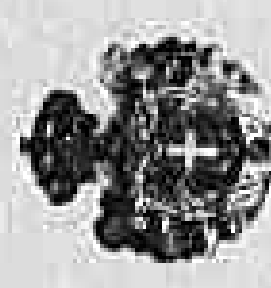
F.to PELLIGRA

P. C. G.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE FF.
(Maggiore Comm/rlo G. Guiso)

Guiso

Translate per.
29/8/44



M.M.	A
FILE REF	213
Date Recd	29/8/44

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4328/C di prol. P. M. 107, li 28 AGO 1944 194

Risposta al foglio N. del Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Grassi per fabbricazione sapone. -
foto per Planifactor of Soap
LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA C.A.C.

R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELL'INDUSTRIA COMMERCIO E LAVORO
R O M A

Il Ministero dell'Industria, Commercio e Lavoro, con dispaccio n. 2134/CI/5 del 24 agosto 1944, ha assegnato alla Direzione di Commissariato di Bari, sullo Stabilimento Ditta Gaslini in Gioia Tauro, q/li 1212 di grassi occorrenti per completare la fabbricazione della nota partita di q/li 5000 di sapone presso il Saponificio "Rosgiminto".-

Poichè la Ditta Gaslini ha segnalato che tutte le 255 disponibilità di materie grasse esistenti in Gioia Tauro e negli altri Stabilimenti della Calabria sono state vincolate da codesta Sottocommissione, pregasi di voler dare disposizioni

AL MINISTERO DELL'INDUSTRIA COMMERCIO E LAVORO

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Poichè la Ditta Gaslini ha segnalato che tutte le ²⁵⁵ disponibilità di materie grasse esistenti in Gioia Tauro e negli altri Stabilimenti della Calabria sono state vincolate da codesta Sottocommissione, preghi di voler dare disposizioni perchè il quantitativo di grassi, destinato alla predetta Direzione di Commissariato venga svincolato, necessitando avere di sponibile il sapone per i rifornimenti alle truppe.-

La pratica riveste carattere della massima urgenza, date anche le difficoltà di fare affluire la merce a Bari per la lontananza dello Stabilimento.=

P. IL MINISTRO

Alessandra

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AB/2/3

Translation.

From:- M of W.

Ref:- 4361/C

To:- MMIA.

Date:- 28 Aug. 44.

Subject:- Caustic Soda Assignment.

We have been informed by MMIA, in the second decade of Aug. that arrangements have been made for the assignment of 10 Tons of Caustic Soda to Risorgimento Soap Factory for the manufacture of soap.

Following that, an officer of MMIA communicated verbally the assignment of another 10 Tons of Caustic Soda for the same Factory.

As Dir. de Comm/fo, Bari has informed that the Italian Authority have not received any order to make the issue of that last quantity, will you please verify and arrange for the assignment of the quantity needed for the completion of the manufacture of the 5000 q/lb of soap.

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Urgent.

Sgt. PABRE 20/8 JB

See Notice The Ministry
139/1

Trasmissione
29/8/44



MIN. A.	1/8
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4361/C di prot. P. M. 107, li 28 AGO. 1944 194

Risposta al foglio N. _____ del _____ Carte annesse _____

OGGETTO: Circa assegnazione soda caustica. -

Risorgimento di Casale Soda

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA C.A.C.

R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO MILITARE
DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
P.M. 67

Codesta Sottocommissione, nei primi giorni della seconda decade del corrente mese, comunicò via breve di aver disposto l'assegnazione di tonnellate 10 di soda caustica per la fabbricazione sapone presso il Saponificio "Risorgimento" in Bari. -

Successivamente, un ufficiale incaricato da codesta Sottocommissione segnalò verbalmente l'assegnazione di 253 altre tonnellate 10 di detta soda per lo stesso Saponificio. -

Poichè la Direzione di Commissariato di Bari ha

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO MILITARE
DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
P.M. 67

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Poichè la Direzione di Commissariato di Bari ha fatto presente che le Autorità Alleate non hanno ricevuto alcun ordine in merito alla cessione di quest'ultimo quantitativo, preghi volersi compiacere verificare e disporre, in ogni caso, per la relativa assegnazione, occorrendo essa per completare la fabbricazione dei noti quintali 5.000 di sapone.-

La pratica riveste carattere di urgenza.

P. IL MINISTRO

Fellegu

Subject:- Supply of Personal Items - Italian Army.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

Tel:- FIIPOT 209.

20/9/12/02.

25 Aug 44.

Army Sub-Commission,
ACC.

MM	AQ
FILE REF	2/3
Date Recd	27/8

Reference your AQ/2/3 dated 18 Aug., 44.

1. Monthly replacements for the CIL Group may be drawn as follows:-

Toilet Soap 11750
Shaving Soap 11750
Razor Blades 11750

2. In view of statement contained in your signal AQ.1755 dated 1 Aug., 44, toothpaste will not be issued from British stocks.

3. Detailed arrangements for effecting issue will be made by you with DC EPI at this HQ.

4. EPI items are issued on repayment and you will ensure that necessary arrangements are made.

Jatwd
Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Copy to:- DC EPI
APA.

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Subject:- Supply of Necessities - Italian Army.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

Tel:- FLIPOT 209.

MMIA A.	AQ	2049/12/02.
FILE REF	2/3	
Date Recd	27/8/44	24 Aug 44.

Army Sub Commission (MMIA),
ACC.

Reference your AQ/2/3 dated 18 Aug., 44.

This question is still under consideration at AFHQ, and no additional issues of toilet necessities will be made to Italian forces until a ruling has been given to your signal AQ.1755 dated 1 Aug., 44.

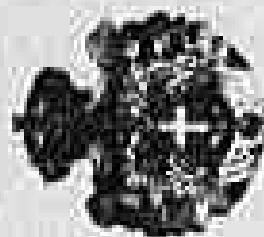
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for *Latild*
Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

28/8/44

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MM.A.	49
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Date	24/8/44



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

DIVISIONE CASERMAGGIO E COMBUSTIBILI

N. 4256/c di prot. P. M. 107, 423 AGO 1944 194

Risposta al foglio N. 40/2/3 del 15/5/44 Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Nero lucido per calzature.

Black polish for Boots

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELL' A.G.O.

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO MISSIONI ALLEATE

SEDE

Le Ditte Papa Giovanni e Tartaro Pasquale, da Napoli, interpellate circa un'eventuale fornitura di nero lucido e grasso per calzature alle FF.AA. italiane, hanno risposto affermativamente, ponendo però a base dell'offerta prezzi elevatissimi date le difficoltà di procurarsi le materie prime necessarie.

Richieste di una congrua riduzione dei prezzi, le suddette Ditte hanno confermato le precedenti condizioni.

Si è ora in attesa dell'esito delle pratiche che sta svolgendo la Direzione di Commissariato del Comando militare della Sardegna per l'acquisto di quantitativi dalla

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO MISSIONI ALLEATE

S E D E

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Richieste di una congrua riduzione dei prezzi, le suddette Ditte hanno confermato le precedenti condizioni.-

Si è ora in attesa dell'esito delle pratiche che sta svolgendo la Direzione di Commissariato del Comando militare della Sardegna per l'acquisto di quantitativi dalla Ditta Masedu, che attualmente fornisce - per contratto - il nero lucido per le truppe dell'Isola a prezzo equo.-

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p. IL MINISTRO

Tealiga

Handwritten note:
Dalla Ditta Masedu
11-1-41

MIN. A.	49
IS REF	2/3
Date Recc	24/8/44

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Casermaggio e Combustibili

N. 4255/C di prot.

P. M. 107. II 23 AGO 1944 ¹⁹⁴

Risposta al foglio NAQ/2/3 del

22/7/44

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Sapone per il Corpo Italiano di Liberazione.-

Scop. per l'Italian Corps of Liberation
ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA
C.A.C. ROMA

In risposta al foglio sopracitato, si fa presente che la Direzione di Commissariato del Comando Militare della Campania, incaricata dei rifornimenti al Corpo Italiano di Liberazione, interpellata in merito, ha comunicato di avere soddisfatto tutte le richieste di sapone finora ricevute dal predetto Corpo, comprese quelle del mese di luglio, e che, per il mese di agosto, il C.I.L. stesso provvederà direttamente a ritirare il proprio fabbisogno nella corrente decade.

Al riguardo si soggiunge che, allo scopo di facilitare la distribuzione di detto genere, si è già disposto che il C.I.L. venga fornito, non appena possibile, di una scorta pari ad un mese di servizio e che il prelevamento del fabbisogno venga effettuato, d'ora in poi, anziché presso la suddetta Direzione di Commissariato, in Napoli, presso quella di Bari che ha maggiore possibilità di approvvigionamento. =

P. IL MINISTRO

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*Transmitted
SP 24/8*

SUBJECT:- S ap.

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Army Sub Commission, ACC
(M M I A)
Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/103

19 Aug 44.

MMIA	40
FILE REF	2/3
Date Recd	24/8/44

Army Sub Commission, ACC
M M I A
H Q A C C ROME.

1. All services and units employing Italian tps are complaining of Gen. Tomaselli's failure to issue the authorised ration of 300 grammes per month.
2. Gen. Tomaselli informs me that the Ministry has released to him so far in NAPLES only half of his July requirement and none for August.
3. May I please be informed if and when these deficiencies can be made up? It would also be useful to have an explanation of the shortage to pass on to the interested parties.

24/8
Shaken by Col. Morand
MqW guilty?
Explanation reqd

G. Morand
Lt-Col. G. 248
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

30/8/44 Settled File

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

SUBJECT:- NAAFI - Itali. Pnr Coys.

Headquarters, 4 Group,
The Pioneer Corps, CMF.
Ref:- 64G/PG/53/6.

TO:-
M.M.I.A.

M.M.I.A.	Ad
FILE REF	2/3
Date Recd	21/8/44

18. August, 44.

May enquiries please be made as to the possibility of authority being given for the purchase of the following articles from Italian sources, for personnel of Italian Pioneer Labour Coys. on the suggested scale shown below:-

<u>Article.</u>	<u>Suggested Scale.</u>
Toilet Soap.	1 Bar per man per month.
Shaving Soap.	1 Stick per man per 3 months.
Razor Blades.	1 Blade per man per week.

Field.
WJOT/KM.

(N.J. REID) *N.J. Reid*
Commdg. 64 Group Pioneer Corps. Lieut. Colonel.

*Copy passed to
Labour*

*21/8
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settled personally by DABL

Subject:- Supply of Personal Items - U.I.C.

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Army Sub Commission UNIT
HQ A.C.C.
R.O.H.E.
AQ/2/3
18 Aug 44.

HQ AAI (for 'Q' Branch)

Ref your 2049/12/Q2 dated 4 Jul 44.

105/1 1st jacket

1. It is proposed that the first month's replacements of PFI items as laid down in HQ AAI letter 2049/12/Q2 dated 22 Jun 44, be released to the UTILE and NEMBO Sps of CIL, on 1 Sep 44.
2. It is requested that such release be made from the most northerly point possible on the East Coast.

M. H. A. M.
P. J. S. S. S. Lt Col
for Major General
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.
(N.M.I.A.)

JOB/jrp

Copy to:- DG. PFI (for action, please, ref para 2)

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Subject: Supply of Personal Items - Italian Army.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/2/3

18 Aug 44

H.Q., A.A.I. (for Q Branch)

1. HQ Eighth Army have raised the question through MMIA LO whether Italian operational troops in forward areas under fire, e.g. Pack Tpt Coys, Engineers and Pioneers engaged in building jeep tracks, may receive an issue of personal items from Allied sources, on the same scale and in the same manner as the issue made to the UTILE and NEMBO Gps of CIL under HQ AAI letter 2049/12/Q2, dated 22 June 44. — 94 1st Gasket.

2. It is requested that HQ AAI give a ruling on the policy to be adopted, to include similar tps under 2 Polish Corps.

FJN/hh

F.J. Noakes
F.J. NOAKES Lt.Col.
For Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

Copy to: MMIA LO Rear HQ Eighth Army.

Subject: NAFFI Supplies.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/2/3.

To: MMIA LO Rear HQ Eighth Army.

18 Aug 44

Ref your MM/103 dated 12 Aug 44.

1. Certain toilet items have been released on orders from the C-in-C, expressly and only for the UTILE and NEMBO Gps of CIL.

2. The scale of issue is as follows :-

(a) From EFI	Scale	Total issued.
Toilet soap.	1 per man per month.	23500
Shaving soap	1 " " " "	23500
Razor blades	1 " " " "	23500
Toothpaste	1 per 2 men " "	11770
(b) From ORD.		
Razors Safety	1 per two men	10848
Brushes shaving	" " " "	11770

3. The above items were released to the Ministry of War by AQ/2/3 dated 13 Jul 44. A further allotment of half the above EFI items ONLY, will be made at a date after one month from the original issue, upon instructions from AAI

4. The question of policy raised in para 3 of your letter has been referred to HQ AAI for decision.

JB/hh

F.J.NOAKES Lt.Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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HEADQUARTERS
REGION 3, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394, U.S.ARMY

WMA A.	125
FILE REF	
Date Recd	15/8/44

12 August 44

ES.710.PB.26.B.

SUBJECT: Soap

TO : HQ.ACC. Army Sub-Commission

1. Ref. attached request by: Unione Militare di Naples, dated 28 July 44 for soap.

2. It is pointed out that this application is a military requirement and as such should be supplied through military sources. Present soap production is for civilian consumption and no allocation of caustic soda etc. is received to cover military needs.

EC/alr.

1 Encl.



J.R. Stockman
J.R. STOCKMAN
Major, R.A.
Economics & Supply Section
Industrial Branch.

15/8/44

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA

TO : FOOD CONTROL OFFICE
NAPLES

RELEASE OF 120.000 SOAP TABLETS OF CANNAVALE FIRM
NAPLES

The Military Union of Rome interested this Direction in order to obtain from your Office the release of 120.000 soap tablets available with Cannavale firm of Naples.
Said soap tablets are needed for the Italian Armed Forces and - if released- they would be purchased by said Military Union to be sent to the different localities of the Military Union. On this purpose we beg you to examine the possibility of granting the requested release and kindly inform us.

Il Tenente Colonnello Commissario
Direttore
(Felice Riso)

Esposito

1. To this firm producing soap for civilians (ie. civilian soap producing plant)
2. C.P.E. be asked to give information on this.
3. Has C.P.E. given list of soap produced for Major Sealer?

Att. 9/8/44.

*Army
from 11.8.44*

No. 785020

SUBJECT:- N A A F I Supplies.

FIVE REASONS

Date Recd _____

Army Sub Commission, ACC

(M M I A)

Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

MM/103

12 Aug 44

Army Sub Commission

M M I A

HQ ACC ROME.

1. It is reported that the Italian tps of the C I L enjoy a certain, if limited, issue of N A A F I goods.

2. Would you please confirm or deny this, if it is a fact, inform me on what scale the issue is made.

3. I am asked by HQ EIGHTH ARMY to enquire, as a question of policy, whether operational tps employed in forward areas under fire, such as Pack Tpt muleteers, engineers and pioneers engaged in building jeep tracks, might not be considered worthy of equal treatment to the C I L.

MMIA Rear HQ Lt-Col. G.S.
EIGHTH ARMY.

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Subject: Razors and Brushes Shaving Braun
by IX Corps from 500 AOB.

M.M.I.A. J.C.
HQ 2 District

ONE

MMIA	Ref: MM 85
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To: HQ IX Corps
23 Area Cash office
500 AOB
MMIA ✓

1. Below please find MMIA letter cancelling previous instructions given in regard to payment for stores drawn from 500 AOB for the use of CIL.
2. It is suggested that the following procedure be adopted; to be confirmed later by telephone:-
 - a) 500 AOB will make a further copy of issue vouchers which will be signed by the Senior Italian Officer of IX-th Corps on behalf of the Ministry of War.
 - b) 23 Area Cash Office will be shown signed vouchers and will then refund the money paid in and the original issue vouchers; the latter will be handed to 500 AOB for destruction.
 - c) 500 AOB will forward list of stores and signed receipt to Financial Advisor, HQ AAI.

W. Thunberg

(C. J. HUMMILL)
Maj G.S.

COPY

Subject: Payment for Ord supplies to
Italian Ministry of War.

Army Sub Commission, ACC.
Main HQ MMIA
R.C.M. R
AQ/2/3
28 JUL 44

MMIA LO HQ No 2 District

Further to AQ/2/3 dated 20 Jul 44.

tion.

c) 500 AOB will forward list of stores and signed receipt to Financial Advisor, HQ AAI.

6/24/44 *for 6/24*

W. Huntell

(C.F. MURKILL)

Major G.S.

COPY

Subject: Payment for Ord Supplies to
Italian Ministry of War.

Army Ord Commission, AOC.
Main HQ WIA

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R.C.W. 11

AQ/2/3

28 Jul 44

WIA LO HQ W 2 District

Further to AQ/2/3 dated 20 Jul 44.

1. In accordance with instructions from HQ AAI, you will arrange for the Ministry of War to be refunded the amount already paid for shaving brushes and razors received from 500 A.O.D.
2. No cash payment will be made for Ord supplies. But instead the following procedure will be adopted: -
 - a) The Senior Italian Officer will sign the receipt on behalf of the Ministry of War.
 - b) List of stores, showing price, together with the receipt will be forwarded through CDB channels to Financial Advisor, HQ AAI.

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Copy to:

HQ AAI (your 2049/12/42

dated 24 Jul refers)

HQ 500 AOB (ref HQ AAI ORD/2032/ 1(203) dated 20 Jul 44)

Ministry of War (AQ/2/3 dated 13 Jul 44)

Signed: *XXXXXXXXXXXX*

J. BIRZO Capt.

For Lt. Col. A.A. & G.S.S.

Army Ord Commission, AOC.

(WIA)

SIGNAL MESSAGEDate & Time

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FROM: MMIA

TO: FREEDOM rpt FILPOT - NAVY SUB COMMISSION - AIR FORCE
SUB COMMISSION - TOTALI.

COPY ORD

AQ 1755 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) Ref your FHSUP FX 71925 of
 13 JUL (.) FIRST (.) Existing stocks are (.) SOAP FORTY SEVEN
 TONS (.) Toothpaste Twenty thousand tins with unlimited
 toothpowder (.) Razors safety eleven hundred and seventy six (.)
 Razor blades twenty two thousand (.) Unlikely to be any
 appreciable increase except for soap when ACC begin
 production in civil factories (.) SECOND (.) On instructions
 of C in C 4AI the CIL was equipped from British stocks to
 following scale (.) Razors toothbrushes shavingbrushes on
 a scale of ONE per TWO men (.) THIRD (.) Propose this scale
 adopted for all Italian Armed Forces (less Navy) with
 addition of following expendable items on a monthly basis (.)
 Soap twelve ozs per man (.) Razor blades ONE per man (.)
 FOURTH (.) On total ceiling of three hundred and ninety five
 thousand which is four hundred and seventy thousand less
 seventy five thousand Navy for whom provision is NOT rpt NOT
 made but incl Air Force and on above scale initial
 requirements will be as follows (.) Non expendable items (.)
 Razors one hundred and eighty five thousand four hundred and
 seventy six (.) Toothbrushes one hundred and eighty seven
 thousand five hundred (.) Shaving brushes one hundred and
 eighty five thousand seven hundred and thirty (.) Expendable
 items required per month (.) Soap one hundred and thirty
 two tons (.) Razor blades three hundred and ninety five
 thousand (.) Deductions have been made for previous issues
 of NON expendable items but NOT rpt NOT for expendable items
 as considered present stocks exhausted shortly (.) FIFTH (.)
 Will keep careful watch through ACC on production from Local
 Industry and notify consequent deductions of requirements
 from Allied sources

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Sgd _____

sgd F. J. Noakes
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ARMY FORM 02186 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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Transmission Instructions

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FROM
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

OFFICE DATE STAMP.

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For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions GR

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