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A.Q.

C.C. pl Action Lond (D) 29/11

1 Reminders

AFHQ letter CR/4381 - G1(BR) of 16 Nov gives the rules for shooting people by British Sentries, but says that it only applies to British

It seems a good rule and we would like to have it made applicable to Italians. — (suggested by Jacques Dunlop)

W.P. 29/11

& 3860

Write to AFHQ asking for copy of the new rules for Sentries, but say that we would like to have same for Sentries who carry our Guard Orders.

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Partito Fascista Repubblicano

FASCIO ROMANO DI COMBATTIMENTO

Roma, li *1944-XXII*

Il Camerata .....

Paternità ..... Maternità .....

Data e luogo di nascita .....

Residente a ..... Via ..... n. .....

Telefono ..... Professione .....

si è presentato oggi ed ha chiesto l'iscrizione al Partito Fascista Repubblicano.

p. IL COMMISSARIO DEL FASCIO ROMANO

Firma .....

Domicilio .....

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Ltr:

Please can you assist with Allardo.
I have enquired but can find
no trace in AFHQ. cf. 4384 - G1 (Br) of 16 Nov.

We have N.T. in our books.

The letter was NOT sent to us.

W.P.

K/L 5/13889

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Maj Bowers.
Can you
Please me
Any details
on where Can
I find the
letter.
Probably in
Cue P.S. over
Tele!

3855/81

Yr Rivers.

Pl try & Trace
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Subject:- Duties of Sentries

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

R O M E
AQ/6

6 Dec 44

A.F.H.Q.

Could a copy of AFHQ letter CR/4381-G1(Br) of 16 Nov 44 be forwarded to this HQ please.

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

DSLG/jrp

Lee folio 11-16/1

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Subject: Discipline - C.M.P. Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R U E
AQ/G

Dec 44.

HQ 3 District
HQ P.E.G. (South)
O.C. 52 BLU
O.C. 53 BLU

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It is requested that you will forward the attached C.M.P. Reports to the appropriate Authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

S P Archer Capt.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt.,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel in P.W. Camps.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

6 Dec 44.

H.Q. 5 District, C.M.F.

1. Italian Soldiers who illegally visit places in the Army Areas, are arrested by the Provost, and evacuated south through P.W. channels, to P.W. Cages or Camps.

2. As these men are absentees or deserters from the Italian Army, it is requested that orders may be given for their early return to their units through CCRI channels.

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3. It has been reported that a number of these Italian Soldiers have been retained in the P.W. Camp at TARANTO. The under named soldiers of Folgore Gruppo are reported as concrete cases:

Sold. MORANDI Remo
" PEDONI Giuseppe
" MANFRONI Renato

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

SPA/wk

Copy to MMIA LO 53 BLU (your letter of 25 Nov refers)

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See folio 482 5 attached 504/2

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VR V LRAR HP S284

FROM SØ SLU 081000Z
TO MKIA
GR 12 ST

QG465 RESTRICTED
REF YOUR AQ2326 AMBULANCE NO 5649141 N O T ON CHARGE TO CP
ET
Ø81210

SENT NR 9284 Ø04Ø RJW D2 K
RCD ØØ4ØA MHEA E-1

AQ/6 N/09 9/12

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PLEASE SAY IF YOU HAVE AMBULANCE W.D. NO. 564941

on CHARGE.

See folio 430 3

See Folios 3811 3854

[illegible]

[illegible]

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Subject:- Traffic Accidents.

50 British Liaison Unit

Ref:- A/6/13

5 Dec 44.

M M I A

Ref your AQ/6 dated 21 Nov, neither vehicle nor the officer belongs to this Group.

H.E. Sam Mayor

Lt Col,
GS.

CMF

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Subject: Discipline - C.M.P. Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

5 Dec 44.

MMIA LC 53 BLU

1. Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Traffic Report to the correct authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

2. One copy of the report should have the punishment awarded endorsed on the reverse side and returned to this HQ for information.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Col, DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Transmittal Slip.

Ref N. PRO/13/2/4520

Subject CMP Report

From: Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command.

To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R A F.
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
HQ. A. C. C.
Commandant French Forces HQ.
D. A. D. CLAIMS.
OC. 111 Provost Coy
OC 'T' Provost Coy.
OC 76 Section, S. I. B.
OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
MMIA.

AQ 6

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For information ✓
Necessary action, please ✓
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks

3850

Date 4-12-44 Signature

Capt. & D.A.P.M.
for Lt. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Cherlton).

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Subject: Discipline - Absentees and Deserters Harbouring by Civilians.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

4 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. The question of the harbouring of Allied absentees and deserters by civilians has been raised owing to the fact that Article 15 of the Military Penal Code does not make it clear that civilians harbouring such deserters are guilty of an offence and liable to sentence.

2. It is considered necessary that a decree, with general application throughout Italian territory, be passed making the harbouring of absentees by civilians a serious offence. 3849

3. This proposed legislation amounts to an emergency amendment of the Military Penal Code.

4. It is requested that a short, simple decree be framed and submitted to this HQ on this subject for approval in order that it may be authoritatively quoted and that the Italian civil authorities and carabinieri may take effective action both by publishing similar warnings and imposing exemplary sentences to persons found guilty of the offence of harbouring Allied personnel.

F. J. SOARES, Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

/wk

Copy to HQ A.C. (2) for Legal Sub Commission
(your minute dated 1 Dec/44 reference AC/4004/L, refers)

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Subject: Discipline - Traffic Accidents.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

4 Dec 44.

O.C. 52 BLU

Austin Utility M 5394807

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Ref your A/25/12 of 27 Nov/44.

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1. Herewith C.M.P. report in respect of accident in which the above mentioned vehicle was involved.

2. Will you please pass this report to the appropriate authority for necessary action.

S P Archer Capt.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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PM/RA/PF 3

Transmittal Slip.

Ref N. PRO/15/30/44b4 422/1

Subject Discipline

From: Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command

To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R A F
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
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OC. 111 Provost Coy
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OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
M.M.I.A.

For information ✓
Necessary action, please ✓
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report A9/6
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks S/12
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Date 3 DEC 1944 Signature

Capt. & DAPM.
for A. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Charlton).

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Subject: Discipline - Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/6

2 Dec 44

MMIA LO
53 B.L.U.

Ref your LO.13/30 of 21 Nov 44. — 3911

1. Soldiers arrested in Army Areas are handed over to the CC.RR at some point south of the Rear Security Line, and the CC.RR have been instructed to return all such personnel to their units.

2. It is therefore not practical for this HQ to take hastening action to ensure that these absentees are returned to their units, as it is not known where to locate them at any given time.

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F.C.HOARE. Col.
DA & QMG.
M.M.I.A.

SPA/hh

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D/790 **Report.** (1) 4213

Sir,

On 2nd DECEMBER 1944 at about 1015 hrs. I was on patrol duty San Mateo - Pomigliano Ambasciata when I saw W/ vehicle No. L 5[illegible]637 (make) Dodge (type) 3 ton which appeared to be exceeding the speed limit. I followed it for a distance of about 1 mile keeping at an even distance of about 25 yards, during which time my speedometer registered from 14 (minimum), to 55 (maximum) m.p.h. The maximum permissable speed for this type vehicle and road is 30 m.p.h.

I stopped the driver and obtained his particulars for this report from Interpreter [illegible] warning him of the offence. He was No. —

Rank Cpl. Name Margaretti Giuseppe Unit 1002 Reparto Artiglieria Station Salerno

He stated that his Commanding Officer's name is —

The senior rank in the vehicle was No. — Rank — Name — Unit 3845

Place. Nocera
Date. 2.12.44

3845 R. Thompson Cpl.
103 Coy C.M. Police (T.C.)

Sir,

I have read over and corroborate the above statement.

Place. Nocera
Date. 2.12.44

3845 R. Bates Cpl.
103 Coy C.M. Police. (T.C.)

* Delete if not applicable.

6920/PMEAK/3 - Pads of 50-9/43

DA RITORNARE INDICANDO SUL RETRO L'PROVVEDIMENTI PRESI.

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Corsicana, Tex. 1002 W. Spec. Archives No. 89

Oggetto: Promozione Cap. Marchetti Pietro

Comunico di aver inflitto 5 giorni di C.P.R. al Caporale Marchetti con la seguente motivazione

"Mancava con l'autocarro a lui ci consegnato a velocità superiore a quella consentita"

P.M. 186.

Magg. Leis

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MMIA 2 A

OC 52 HLU CMF

03 S.I.S. CMP CMF

AQ/1234

RESTRICTED

DAPM 63 SIS CMP HAVE ARRESTED QUERITI RAFFAELE OF 3 COY 63 INF REGT IN CONNECTION WITH ARMED ROBBERIES (.) DAPM REQUESTS CONFIRMATION OF QUERITIS UNIT AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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Lee Foleo
446/1 satisfactory

NORMAL

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 42/1

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
			By ELS.

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

OFFICE DATE STAMP

FROM (A) Originator: 53 British Liaison Unit

Date-Time of Origin: 010920A

AQ/6

For Action

TO INDIA ✓

(W) For Information (INFO)

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Message Instructions — GR —

AQ/GH/144

Originator's No. AQ/AT-10 o Ref your AQ/6 of 21 Nov o Austin ability LIO No 5374 807 not on charge to the unit at Capital Gp FOLKONE

No. 53 - BAF 3843

Copyright Mrs [illegible]

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except / wireless	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op.
Signed	Signed		THI or TOR		
			Time cleared		

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AMG 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: ACC/14601/11/ES

1 Dec 44

SUBJECT : Carrying of Arms by Italian Armed Forces.

TO : AFHQ (C-5).

Ag/6
1/12

This HQ 14601/11/ES of 10 Sep referred specifically (paras 2 and 3) to both the CCIM and the MCP whereas your 091.711-11 of 28 Oct refers only to "Carabinieri". May it please be confirmed that this decision relates to the MCP also.

See at 358

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

C.R. UNDUTI Brig
VP CA Section,
ACCS.

3842

Copy to Land Forces S/C. ✓

Hold under
Sent 19/Dec
SPA

SPA
3/12

5236

AQ16 420

SUBJECT: Unauthorised Movement in Forward Areas

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
1 Dec 44

TO : Ministry of War

Copy to: A.F.H.Q. (Your GBI - 389.455/7 of 27 Nov refers)

1. Information has reached this H.Q. that at about 2000 hours on 24 Oct 44 an Italian soldier, ZANOLLI Giuseppe, was arrested by C.M.P. in 13 Corps area. He carried documents which identified him as Caporale Maggiore of 1 Gruppo Artiglieria d'Assalto - NEMBO, Reparto Commando Gruppo of the Naples area.

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2. He was stopped by Provost within 6 kilometres of the Allied lines and as he did not have a pass signed by an Allied officer he was brought in to Field Security for questioning.

3. His story, which was supported by documents he carried, was that he had been sent to certain towns on a motor cycle to deliver private letters to the families of Italian officers and men of his unit. The towns he was to visit were CESENA - PIANDRO - GUIGNOLE - GRIZZARO, S. BENEDETTO VAL SAMBRO and MONCHIDORO. According to his itinerary ZANOLLI would eventually have crossed the lines into German territory.

The officer who sent him on this errand and signed his motor cyclist's pass was Lt. Col. GIACONE Leandro.

4. It will be seen that this incident involves a violation both of censorship regulations and of movement regulation, rendered more serious owing to the fact that ZANOLLI might have attempted to cross over into enemy territory.

5. It is therefore requested that you take strong action against Lt. Col. GIACONE for serious breaches of the regulations governing cen-

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SUBJECT: Unauthorised Movement in Forward Areas

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
I/101/1
1 Dec 44

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2. He was stopped by Provost within 8 kilometres of the Allied lines and as he did not have a pass signed by an Allied officer he was brought in to Field Security for questioning.

3. His story, which was supported by documents he carried, was that he had been sent to certain towns on a motor cycle to deliver private letters to the families of Italian officers and men of his unit. The towns he was to visit were CESENA - PIANDRO - GUIGNOLE - GRUZZARO, S. BENEDETTO VAL SAMBRO and MONGHIDORO. According to his itinerary ZANOLLI would eventually have crossed the lines into German territory.

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5. It is therefore requested that you take strong action against Lt. Col. CIACONE for serious breaches of the regulations governing censorship and movement, notifying this H.Q. of action taken and punishment awarded.

6. Please regard this case as urgent.

SPC 3/12

Lt. Col

1 Major General
M.M.I.A.

AG.

This is half yours (discipline) and half mine (censorship) - - - as letter was made out already. I have signed

ENCLOSURES: "Four (4) letters as mentioned in para 3."

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Translation.

AQ/6 4/9

From. M of W
To. MMID

Ref No 305765/2/CD
Date. 30 OCT 44.

Armament of Lorry Drivers

Ref to letter AQ/6 dated 27 Oct 44 35I

We would be grateful to MMID. to give their kind attention to this matter. and obtain if possible an affirmative answer to the question of armament for lorry drivers on duty 38/0 which is necessary during actual circumstances.

Rdamsfield

OXILIA.

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T Sforza Corps

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 305465/2/C. 4 Regali
314-IV-2

Roma, 30 novembre 1944

Risposta al foglio del ... N° ...

OGGETTO: Armamento militari -
Motoring Personnel

Alla LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

A-2

Riferimento AQ/6 del 27 ottobre u.s.

Sarei grato a codesta Missione se volesse compiacersi porre il suo interessamento affinchè, la questione dell'armamento dei conduttori di automezzi in servizio, fosse risolta favorevolmente e con la sollecitudine che il caso e le circostanze attuali richiedono.

N.A. See folio 4/12 allegato ausiliario SFA

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

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SUBJECT: Stoppages of Pay.

A916/1v

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/6049/G1(Br).

30 Nov 44.

Land Forces Sub-Commission
AC (MMIA ROME.

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1. Reference your letter AQ/6 dated 21 Nov 44, in which you recommend that stoppages of pay against Italian soldiers in respect of loss or damage to WD property on loan to Italian Units should be continued from a disciplinary point of view only.

2. It is confirmed that this procedure should continue and that the amounts so collected should be retained by the Italian Government and not paid to the British Public.

Copy filed to A918. 6/12 SPA.

TWR/tl

n/R
Just what was intended

T W Rugby Col 8538
Major General,
D.M.G., G-1(Br).

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Subject: Disciplinary Powers - Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

30 Nov 44.

To : AFHQ

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Further to this HQ AQ/6 of 27 Oct/44.

1. The Royal Decree referred to in para 3(b) of the above quoted letter and reproduced as Appendix "C" thereto, has now been legalized and is effective from 13 October 1944.

2. The Decree has been circularized to all Italian Military H.Q.'s by the Ministry of War, pending publication of the Military Journal.

F. J. Noakes 3857

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

SPA/wk

Copy to: HQ AAI for 'A' Branch
HQ 5th Army
HQ Rear 8th Army
HQ Br Increment 5 Army
HQ No. 1 Dist
HQ Rear No. 2 Dist
HQ No. 3 Dist
HQ P.B.S.
HQ P.B.S. Southern Region
HQ A.C. (3)
ALL MMIA LO's

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Subject: Discipline - C.M.P. Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

30 Nov 44.

To: PEC Southern District

1. Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Reports to the proper authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

2. The punishment awarded should be endorsed upon the reverse of one copy and returned to this H.Q. for information.

F. J. MORRIS, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/le

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Subject: Discipline - Removal of Italian Foodstuff from Rly Waggon.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

30 Nov 44.

H.Q. 3 District, C.M.F.

Lieut. BROWN L., R. Sussex Regt.

Ref attached copy translation of a letter from HQ Lazio Abbruzzi.

1. Will you please say whether you are able to give any information as to why the above named officer removed foodstuff from Waggon No. 22190 which was consigned to Italian Army, and upon what authority.

2. If no other information is available will you please say whether you know the location of Lieut. Brown's Unit.

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

SPA/wk

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Translation

LAZIO UMBRIA ABBRUZZI HQ - COMMISSARIAT DIRECTORATE

TO: MMIA LO ROME

P.M. 151, 23 Nov 44

PROT:n: 1264/1

SUBJECT: Collections of Rations.

The Military Food Depot of Rome has informed us that the 27 Oct 44, during the journey from Naples to Rome, at the Minturno yards, 2nd Lieut. Brown, Lv. (British) 225175, R. Sussex Regt, Z. Police Escort Coy, 3 Transit Camp, CMF, collected from wagon No. 22190, that had been dispatched by Special Food Depot Naples, the following amounts:

Canned Cheese	Kg. 3.171 (one 7 lb tin)
Meat & Vegetables	Kg. 20.389 (one 45 lb case)

Would you please inform us why this collection has been effected, so that we can settle the Administrative questions of the Depots in question.

sgd The Commissariat Director
(Col. S. CATALANO)

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Subject: Discipline Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

30 Nov 44.

H.Q. 207 Sub Area, C.M.F.

Ref PRO 3/2 of 27 Oct. 44.

1. Three C.M.P. Reports forwarded by Provost Branch 207 Sub Area are returned herewith.

2. The punishments awarded by the Italian Commanders concerned are endorsed on the reverse for information.

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

SPA/wk

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Subject: Discipline - C.M.P. Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AG/e

30 Nov 44.

O. C. 50 SLU
51 SLU
52 SLU
53 SLU
54 SLU

1. Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Reports to the proper authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

2. The punishment awarded should be endorsed upon the reverse of one copy and returned to this H.Q. for information.

F. J. WEAKES, Col.
DA & QMG.
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Subject: Discipline - Carrying of Arms.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
ROME
AG/6

24 Nov 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR

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Ref your 302301/GA/314-1V-2 of 21 Oct/44, and further to this HQ AG/6 of 27 Oct/44. — 357

1. It has now been ruled by Higher Authority that the points raised in your above quoted letter are covered by paras 5 and 6 of this HQ letter AG/6 of 23 Aug 1944.

2. Therefore, if an Italian Commander desires to place an armed guard upon vehicles carrying loads of stores, or to arm civilian guards at depots and installations, he must first obtain authority from the appropriate Allied Commander before ordering such guards to be armed.

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F. J. Norris, Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

Copy to: HQ AAI (2)
Public Safety Sub Comm.

See folio 67

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Subject .Accident Reports

Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(MMIA)
c/o 54 Area. C.M.F.
MF/101
20 Nov 44.

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.(MMIA)

Ref your AQ/6 dated 20 Nov 44.
1200 Amb Pl has now moved to PIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE. Accidents Reports are therefore returned herewith.

C.F.MURCELL Maj G.S.
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
54 Area/

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Subject : Traffic Violation Report.

M.M.I.A.,
Rome.

MQ VII 19/6

Office of D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Reference : Pro 3/2
29 November 1944.

440

1. The attached T.V.R. is forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Captain, D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
(G.A.Cozens).

SPA 3/12

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REF. P. 17 4-09/1
AG/60

From: - Naval Provost Marshal, Naples.

Date: - 28/11/44.

To: - Military Mission to Italian Army.

BERARDI ALFREDO -506 Bn. Guardia.

The attached reports and Statements are forwarded for information and necessary action.

Report sent to Naples 2/12

NAVAL PROVOST MARSHAL NAPLES

Lt. C.M. Royal Marines.

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See folio 474 et seq. of

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Subject : Traffic Violation Reports.

M.M.I.A.,
Rome.

Office of D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Reference : Pro 2[illegible]
28th November 1944.

1. The attached T.V.Rs. are forwarded for information and such action as you may deem appropriate.

Captain D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area
(G.A.Cozens)

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SUBJECT :- Discipline - C.M.P. Reports

408

52 Brit Liaison Unit
CMF.
28 Nov 44
A/25/13

AQ/6

1/12

Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)

1. Ref attached C.M.P. Reports, forwarded to this unit under cover your AQ/6 dated 20 Nov 44. — 386/2

2. These were sent on to Legnano and returned, as the vehicle does not belong to any unit in the Gruppo.

Major
DAA&QMG

AA.

AA 3/12

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from 53 Clarens Heights

of 28 Nov

to STI HQ 3826

SPM

Fr J Barkhuizen Capt. 19/12

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Subject: Discipline - Traffic Violation Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

24 Nov 44.

H.Q. 207 Sub Area, C.M.F.

395-393/1-391/2
386/4-386/3

Ref your PRO/3/2. Nov 20th, 22nd, etc.

1. This H.Q. has forwarded the Traffic Violation Reports to the appropriate H.Q.'s for action.

2. The attached reports are returned as it has not been possible to identify the Unit from the information given, or because this H.Q. is not able to trace the locations of civilian drivers.

3. Will you please note for future guidance that these Reports should not be sent to this H.Q. but should be sent to the local Italian Adm. HQ (i.e. Mil H.Q. Campania).

4. If you have difficulty in this connection will you please contact either 3825

MMIA LO NAPLES (Tel. 53878)
MMIA LO 3 District

who will be pleased to help you where they can.

F. J. ROARES, Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

GPA/wk

Copy to MMIA LO NAPLES
MMIA LO 3 District

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SUBJECT:- Discipline - Traffic Accidents

52 B.L.U.
CMF
27 Nov 44.

405/2

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.,
(MMIA)

A/25/12

AQ/6

Austin Utility W.D.No. M.5394807

3611

Reference your AQ/6 dated 21 Nov 44. — 388

It is confirmed that the above vehicle is on charge to the LEGNANO Gruppo and that the driver of the vehicle on 9 Nov was Lt PAOLO PITTALUGA who is on the strength of 250 Tpt Coy. of the LEGNANO GRUPPO.

WN.

Records Rejoin
Sect H 52 B.L.U.
3/12

Major 30324
for DAA&QMG.

See folio 2423

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4057/1

Subject : Traffic Violation Tickets.

M.M.I.L.A.,
ROME.

AQ/6
28/11

Office of D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Ref : Pro 3/2.
27 November 1944.

The attached T.V.R. is forwarded for your information and necessary action, please.

Captain, D.A.P.M.,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area
(G.A.COZENS).

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405

Subject: Discipline - Road Accidents - Settlement of Claims.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/8

21 Nov 44

A.F.H.Q.
HQ AAI for Claims & Hirings.

1. This HQ has been asked to inform the Ministry of War as to the responsibility of settlement of Claims arising out of traffic accidents.

2. Attached is a draft of the proposed reply.

3. It is requested that you will please forward your comments.

4. It is realised that claims arising from accidents in Classes b and c in the enclosed draft are in fact settled by the Financial Advisors, but it is not reconsidered necessary to inform the Ministry of War of the detailed procedure.

F.J.MOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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SPA/hh

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D R A F T

Subject: Discipline Road Accidents - Settlement of Claims.

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

AQ/6

Nov 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your

1. The question of settlement of claims for compensation arising out of traffic accidents in this Theatre falls into four classes as follows :-

(a) An accident in which an Italian Army vehicle is involved with an Italian subject, another Italian vehicle or Italian Property.

The settlement of claims arising out of this class of accident is entirely an Italian responsibility.

(b) An accident in which an Italian Army vehicle is involved with an Allied subject, an Allied vehicle, or Allied property.

(c) An accidentx in which an Allied Military vehicle is involved with Italian Military Personnel, Italian Military Vehicle, or Italian Military property.

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(d) An accident in which an Allied Military vehicle is involved with, an Italian Civilian, Italian Civilian vehicle or Italian civilian property.

Claims arising out of accidents falling into Classes b, c, and d above are settled by the Allied Governments through Claims Commission & Hirings Directorate (British), or the U.S. Claims Service (American) to whom in the first place such accidents are reported through normal Allied channels.

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

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Transmittal Slip.

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Subject Traffic Accident

Ref N. PRO /TC/3/3908.

From: Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command.

A9/a
28/4

To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R A F.
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
HQ. A. C. C.
Commandant French Forces HQ.
D. A. D. CLAIMS.
OC. 111 Provost Coy
OC 'T' Provost Coy.
OC 76 Section, S. I. B.
OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
MMIA.

For information ✓
Necessary action, please
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks Further to previous

Date 27-11-44 Signature 3820

Alan Charlton
Capt. & DAPM.
for Lt. Col
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Charlton)

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Subject : Traffic Violation Reports.

Office of S/Lieut (Pro)
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Ref : Pro 3/2.
26 November 1944.

M.M.I.A.,
ROMA.

A-2/6
28/11

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The attached T.V.R£. are forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut (Pro).,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.DENTON).

SPA
29/11

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MMIA.

AAG/6
VII

Herewith, as requested, returned CMP reports with punishment awarded the accused entered on the reverse

25 Nov 44

[signature]

MMIA Lt O-3 Div.

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AQ/6 402

Translation.

From H of W
To AIMIB.

Ref dft° 305354/CD.
Date 25 Nov. 44

Ref letter AQ 6 dated 12 Nov 44 - 371

In relation to what has been communicated to us in said letter informing us that the authorisation to carry arms is likewise extended to the Royal Tirance Guards (letter from this Ministry 300418/CA dated 29-8-44 and 300591 dated 2.9.44 - 272/1 Sd/Lieut 273 3rd Sect 54 M M 2. A. is agreeable we will give orders to cancell orders given in the last but one. Para of letter 300591/CA.

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R Mansfield

OXI LIB.

See folio 475 sd/Lieut

SO/ps

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 310535/2/C.A. *Allegati* ____
314-IV-2

Risposta al foglio ____

Roma, 25 novembre 1944

Div. ____ *Sez.* ____ *N.* ____

OGGETTO: Disciplina - Porto d'armi.

Disciplina carriaggi Roma

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C.(M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

Riferimento lettera AQ/6 del 12 c.m.

In relazione a quanto comunicato da codesta Missione con la lettera in riferimento informo che, per analogia, l'applicazione del porto d'armi di cui trattasi andrebbe estesa anche alla R.Guardia di Finanza (cfr.lettere di questo Ministero 300413/C.A. del 29 agosto c.a. e 300591/C.A. del 2 settembre scorso).

Salvo contrario avviso di codesta Missione, darei disposizioni nel senso sopra detto allo scopo di sciogliere la riserva fatta nel penultimo capoverso del telegramma accluso nella citata lettera 300591/C.A.

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Riferimento lettera AQ/6 del 12 c.m.

In relazione a quanto comunicato da codesta Missione con la lettera in riferimento informo che, per analogia, l'applicazione del porto d'armi di cui trattasi andrebbe estesa anche alla R.Guardia di Finanza (cfr.lettere di questo Ministero 3CC413/C.A. del 29 agosto c.a. e 3CC591/C.A. del 2 settembre scorso). 3817

Salvo contrario avviso di codesta Missione, darei disposizioni nel senso sopra detto allo scopo di sciogliere la riserva fatta nel penultimo capoverso del telegramma accluso nella citata lettera 3CC591/C.A.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

G. Ottolenghi

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Translation.

Ref:- 30 0 3 5 1/2/C.A. 401

Date:- 25th Nov 44.

From:- M of W.

To:- MMIA.

Subject:- Legal Proceedings of Driver PAGNELLO. 261 3rd Packet. A.Q.16

Ref. AQ/6 dated 22nd Aug. 44. 294 2nd Packet.

Further to my 300252/C.A. dated 14th Sept. 44 it is mentioned that Driver PAGNELLO Antonio of the 1000th Driver Unit who was sent for trial by Taranto Mil. Court charged with abandoning his post, deserted.

On the charge in respect of the aforesaid soldier, who also will be tried for desertion, an arrest warrant has already been sent.

(Sgd) Gen. OXILIA

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Sgt. FAUCI

3 Docts (E) incld. SDA 2/12

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VE/vc MINISTERO DELLA GVERRÁ

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 305351/2/C.A. *Allegati*

Risposta al foglio

Roma, P.M. 151, 29 novembre 944

Div. *Sez.* *N°*

OGGETTO. Processo a carico autiere PAGNELLO.

Riferimento foglio AQ/6 del 22 agosto.

A seguito mio foglio del 14 settembre n.300252/C.A., comunico che l'autiere PAGNELLO Antonio, della 1000ª compagnia autieri, rinviato a giudizio dal Tribunale Militare di Taranto per il reato di abbandono di posto, ha disertato.

A carico del PAGNELLO, che sarà giudicato anche per il reato di diserzione, é stato già emesso mandato di cattura.

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Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

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Subject: Discipline - Road Accidents.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

25 Nov 44.

O.C. 53 BLU, CMF.

Will you please arrange for the enclosed CMP Report to be forwarded to the correct authority in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

S P Archer Capt.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Sec Trieste 392

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Subject: Discipline.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AG/6

25 Nov 44

Office of Provost Marshall
HQ RAAC, C.M.F.

Genero DELL'OLMO ROMANO

The attached CMP Report, concerning a traffic violation on the part of the above named, is returned for information, with the punishment awarded endorsed on the reverse.

S.P.ARCHER Capt.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

SPA/hh

L 3813

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398/1

Subject - FOLGORE Tps in Concentration Camp TARANTO

MMIA LO, FOLGORE
25 Nov 44
A/1

A9/6

1. The following soldiers advise this HQ, under date 30 Oct 44, 361a that they were picked up in PESARO by CMP and evacuated to concentration camp at TARANTO -

Pte MORANDI Remo
PEDONI Giuseppe
MANFRONI Renato

2. Presumably these men went NORTH of Army line of demarcation without a proper pass vissed by me for MMIA.

3. May steps be taken to have them returned to their unit when disciplinary action will be taken.

J.M. Philips
capt
MMIA LO

3812

To - Land Forces Sub Comm (MMIA) AC

Copy - HQ FOLGORE Gp.

See folio 429

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Shall I write 3 Dist asking them to give instructions that all Italian Soldiers of effective Army units should be despatched from these Camps as soon as possible?

CPA.
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PP
PPA
6/12

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Subject: Discipline.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME,
AG/6

4 Nov 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR

Cap. Dal Bo Alfredo.

Ref your 304859/CA of 20 Nov 44. — 3861
312-IV-2

Will you please inform this HQ of the punishment awarded to the above named NCO when he is tried by Tribunale Militare, in connection with the traffic accident in which he was held to blame by the British Authorities.

F.J.MOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

SPA/hh

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W 9533/63727P 490M (Pads of 100) 5/43 MP 210428 51-6736

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 3972

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
BL 3	248		T (~~HURRIED~~) 515 25

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.

FROM Originator: (A) DAPM 63 SIS CM POLICE — Date-Time of Origin. — Office Date Stamp

For Action.

OC 3 COY 68 INF REGT ITALIAN ARMY ~~ATTCHD~~ 8TH ARMY

TO

(W) For information (INFO)

Sme Pass to MMIA for disposal

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No.

A/1496 Reurtwocod ⊙

QUERITI RAFFAELE ARREST(E)D BY THIS SECTION IN CONNECTION WITH ARM(E)D ROBBERIES ⊙ STATES HE IS MEMBER OF YOUR UNIT ⊙ PLEASE CONFIRM AND FORWARD ANY OTHER INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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MMIA. Rome. by E.I.S.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 775030

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For Action.

OC 3 COY 68 INF REGT ITALIAN ARMY ATTCHD 8TH ARMY

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

SAME

Re: MMIA for disposal

Message Instructions. GR

AA 28/4

Originator's No.

A/1496 Restricted ⊙

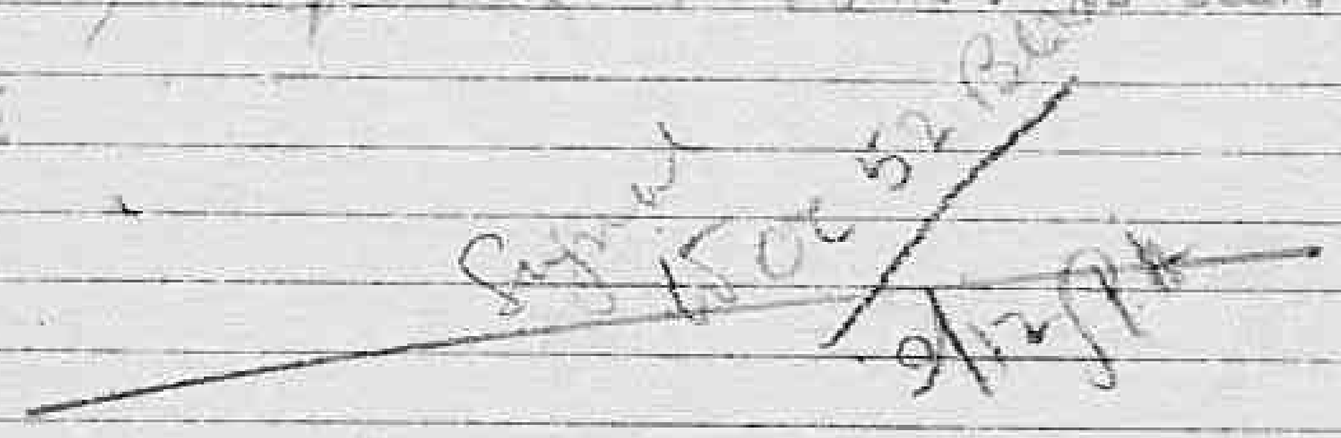
QUERITI RAFFAELE ARRESTED BY THIS SECTION IN CONNECTION WITH ARMED ROBBERIES ⊙ STATES HE IS MEMBER OF YOUR UNIT ⊙ PLEASE CONFIRM AND FORWARD ANY OTHER INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE 3810

SUSPECT 52 BDE 91 Z 11

MMIA. Rome. by E.L.S.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 775020

QUERITI RAFFAELE ARRESTED BY THIS SECTION
IN CONNECTION WITH ARMED ROBBERIES. STATES
HE IS MEMBER OF YOUR UNIT. PLEASE CONFIRM
AND FORWARD ANY OTHER INFORMATION AS SOON AS 2810
POSSIBLE



MMIA. Rome. 24 F.L.S.

HQ & Army command there. Ha.
original No. of his message in
5 m'S Army on 1 m. 3 Sigs.

Whereabouts of arrested man &
his detained interpreter.

Passed to you for communication
to FBI, CMFTF, Cp. r Qualification
re. original No.

Legnano 24 Nov. 44

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except WIRELESS.	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER.	Originator's Instructions. Degree of Priority.	Time	System	Cp.
Signed.	Signed. MANALO	See folio 421/2 1458 24 Nov	THI or TOR 1200		
			Time Cleared		

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5C ritish Liaison Unit.
Ref A/6/15.
24 Nov. 44.

M.M.I.A.
ROME.

Ref my A/6/1 of 14 Nov. 44.

Ford 3 Ton Lorry 5686929, subject of above reference, was recovered by C.M.P. AVELLINO and handed over on 19 Nov 44.

The following parts were missing .

(1) Tools.
(2) Cushions.
(3) Canopy.
(4) Spare Wheel.
(5) Ramps.
(6) Gear changing handle.
(7) Window screen.
(8) Switches.
(9) Tow Rope.

A/D.A.A.G.
for G.S.O. I.

C.M.F.

M.M.I.A.
R
D. 26 NOV

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Subject : Military Police Report.

M.M.I.A.,
ROME.

Office of Staff Lieut (Pro)
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Ref Pro 3/2.
24 October 1944.

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S/Magg. OLIVARES HARIO (Cl 1913) - NUCLEO, MATERIALE MUNIZIONE.

The attached Military Police report in respect of the a/n. Italian soldier is forwarded for information and such action as you may deem appropriate.

Staff Lieut (Pro).
H.Q., 207 Sub Area
(H.R.DENTON)

3608

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

396

Subject : Traffic Violation Reports.

M.M.I.A.,
ROME.

Office of S/Lieut (Pro)
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Ref : Pro 3/2.
24 November 1944

The attached T.V.Rs. are forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut. (PRO)
H.Q., 207 Sub Area
(H.R.DENTON)

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TRANSLATION

AΦ/6 395/2

LAZIO UMBRIA ABBRUZZI Hq - COMMISSARIAT DIRECTORATE.

TO: MMIA LO ROME

P.M. 151, 23 Nov 44

PROT:n: 1264/1

SUBJECT: Collections of Rations.

The Milit. Food Depot of Rome has informed us that the 27 Oct. 44 during the journey from Naples to Rome, at the Minturno yards, 2nd Lieut Brown, Lv. (british) 225175, R. Sussex RESt. Z. Pold Escort Coy, 3 Transit Camp. Conf., collected from wagon No. 22190, that had been dispatched by Special Food Depot Naples, the following amounts:

Canned Cheese	Kg. 3.171 (one 7 lb tin)
Meat & Vegetables	Kg. 20.389 (One 45 lb case)

Would you please inform us why this collection has been effected, so that we can settle the Administrative questions of the Depots in question.

signed. The Commissariat Director
(Col S. Catalano)

38065

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Coy, 3 Transit Camp. Conf., collected from wagon No. 22190, that had been dispatched by Special Food Depot Naples, the following amounts:

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(Col S. Catalano)

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See folio 473 overleaf

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TRANSALATION Tem fonacemb 25/11/44

Lazio Umbria Abbruzzi Hq. - Communicat Directorate.

To. MMIA L.O. Rome P.M. 151, 23 Nov. 44.
Prot: n: 1264/1.

Subject: Collections of Rations.

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canned cheese	Kg. 3,171 (one 7 lbs. tin)	3805
Meat & vegetables	" 20,384 (one 45 lbs. case)	

Would you please inform us why the collection has been effected, so that we can settle the Administrative questions of the Depots in question.

Sig. ned. The Communicat Director
(Col. S. Catalano).

DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO MILITARE LAZIO UMBRIA ABRUZZO

I^ Sezione

n. 1262 /I di prot. P.M.151, 23 novembre 1944

ALL'UFFICIALE DI COLLEGAMENTO -MINISTERO CORPORAZIONI-
- Via Veneto - Piano 7° - Stanza n. 25 - R O M A

OGGETTO : prelevamento di derrate.-

Il Magazzino Militare Viveri di Roma ha segnalato che il 27 ~~dicembre~~ ottobre u.s.,nel percorso da Napoli a Roma,e precisamente allo scalo di Minturno,dal vagone 22120 spedito dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli,il S.Tenente inglese Brown Lv.225175 R.Sussex Rest.Z. Pold Escort cop.3 Transit Comp.Conf.ha prelevato:

- formaggio scatolato.....kg. 3.171 (una scatola da 7 libbre)
- carne e vegetali....." 20.385 (una cassa da 45 libbre).-

Pregasi comunicare a quale titolo è stato effettuato tale prelevamento,onde poter disporre i conseguenti movimenti contabili fra gli enti interessati.- 3804

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 789020

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IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Catalano Salvatore)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 474/211 OCT-O 23 November 1944

SUBJECT: Carrying of Arms by Italian Armed Forces

TO : President, Allied Commission, APO 394
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)

AQ/6
26th 354

1. Reference is made to your letter, file AQ/6 dated 1 November 1944, and to your letter, file AQ/6, dated 23 August 1944, copy to Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy, Main.

2. It is considered that the two queries raised in your letter, file AQ/6, dated 1 November, are covered by paragraphs 5 and 6 of your letter, file AQ/6, dated 23 August 1944.

3. This headquarters agrees with the directives contained in your letter, File AQ/6, dated 23 August 1944, as they now stand.

By command of General WILSON:

Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General

Copies to:
AAI
Public Safety Sub-Comm (MMIA)

Tell [illegible] that attached [illegible] is meet with [illegible] Cmd [illegible] Prov Bn [illegible]

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Subject : Traffic Violation Report.

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Office of 2/Lieut(Pro)
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
Ref : Pro/3/2.
23 November 1944.

M.M.I.A.,
ROME.

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Attached T.V.R. is forwarded for information and such action as you may deem necessary.

Staff Lieut (Pro).,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.DENTON).

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Subject: Carrying of Arms.

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Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6

23 Nov. 44

To: AFHQ for G-5

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Ref this HQ letter AQ/6 of 1 Nov. 44.

May this HQ please be informed whether a reply may now be given to the above quoted letter.

For Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Traffic Violation Reports.

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro)
H.Q. 207 Sub Area.
Ref : Pro/3/2.
22 November 1944.

To;-

M.M.I.A.,
Rome.

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Attached T.V.Rs. are forwarded for your information and necessary action, please.

StaffLieut (Pro).,
H.Q., 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.DENTON)

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Transmittal Slip.

Subject Traffic accident.

From: Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command.

Ref N. PRO/TS/3/3909

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To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces.
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R.A.F.
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
HQ. A. C. C.
Commandant French Forces HQ.
D. A. D. CLAIMS.
OC. 111 Provost Coy.
OC 'T' Provost Coy.
OC. 76 Section, S. I. B.
OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
M.A.I.A.,
ROME.

For information 23/11 ✓
Necessary action, please
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks

OC No 1 Provost Coy
Attached Traffic Report
PPA
23/11

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Date 22/11/44. Signature

Capt. & DAPM.
for Lt. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alen Cherlion).

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Transmittal Slip.

PM/RA/PF 3

Subject Traffic accident.

From: Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command.

Ref N. PRO/15/3/3908 392

To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces.
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R A F.
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OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
M.M.A.
Rome.

Sent to U.S.R.C. Att.

For information AQ/6 ✓
Necessary action, please
Investigation & report 23/11
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
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Remarks
Sec 23/11.
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Date 22/11/44 Signature Alan Charlton

Capt. & D.A.P.M.
for Lt. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Charlton).

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MILITARY POLICE REPORT

B/F 10 Dec

To:- The Officer Commanding,
645 Provost Company.

Sir,

I have to report that at CAPUA on the 20th November, 1944, at about 1515 hours, I was called to the Railway Station, where I was informed by the R.T.O., Lt. CASE R., Movement Control Section, RE., that an Italian soldier, namely, Sgt. Major, OLIVARES HARIO, 1913 CLASS, NUCLEO, MATERIAL EMUNIZIONI, employed on the station, and in charge of a number of soldiers, had refused to give his particulars, when requested to the above named officer.

He had acted in a very hostile manner when spoken to.

I questioned him, but he still refused to give any particulars, saying that the British R.T.O. could not give him any orders. I obtained his particulars through the ~~XXXXXXXX~~ CARABINIERI, CAPUA

Further to this report, I was informed by the R.T.O. that about ONE HUNDRED (100) goods wagons were in the Station, all loaded with MT stores, equipment and spare parts, and no guard of any description was there to prevent anything from being stolen. Most of the wagons were open.

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C.M.POLICE.

W. INGHAM

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Reports.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
21 Nov 44.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

Attached T.V.Rs are forwarded for your information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Reports.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
21 Nov 44.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

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Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

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LO LEGNANO GRUPPO
Land Forces Sub Comm AC
(MMIA)
Ref LO 13/30

21 Nov 44

Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA) ✓

Copy to: HQ LEGNANO Gruppo

SUBJECT :- Discipline - Italian Military

1. The undermentioned ORs belonging to the Bersaglieri Bn of the Special Regt LEGNANO Gruppo di Combattimento were arrested in the Army Area having proceeded there without authorisation :-

Rank	Name	Class	District
Sjt	MORI Alvaro	1922	SIENA
Bers	BARSANTI Bili	1921	PISA
"	PERA Giovanni	1921	LUCCA
"	GRASSI Battista	1920	PESARO
"	POLIDORI Ennio	1920	"
"	TERMINESI Fortunato	1920	"
L cpl	CERVELLINI Giulio	1920	"

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2. It is understood that they have been evacuated from the Army Area through the normal PW Channels. Would you please make the necessary arrangements for these ORs to be returned to LEGNANO Gruppo. Disciplinary action will be taken against them on their return.

Replied 24/11

Maj RA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
1ST TRUCK BATTALION

AQ 6

21 November 1944

SUBJECT : Discipline - Italian Military Personnel.
TO : Land Forces Sub Commission AC, MMIA.
(Attention Captain SP Archer).

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1. Reference your letter AQ 6 of 18 Nov 1944, the case of Cpl. DONA Pietro was investigated by Major Quinto, Italian Army, battalion Commander of Cpl. DONA Pietro's unit and referred to the Military Tribunal of Rome, thru the Commanding Officer Lazio-Umbria and Abruzzi in Rome.

2. Allied papers forwarded to the court are attached herewith.

Casimir Oliszewski
CASIMIR OLISZEWSKI
Lt. Col., CE
Commanding

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CO/mll.

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I° TRIBUNALE MILITARE DEL 25° CORPO D'ARMATA A.C.

R/ 85 di prot. P.M. 3800 li 20 novembre 944-

OGGETTO: Incidente occorso la sera dell'8-II-944 fra ufficiali inglesi e militari italiani.

IL TRIBUNALE MILITARE di R O M A

e p. c.

Al Comando MAXTO-U NOVE ad AREZZO- Roma

Al T.Colonnello DUNCKERLEY-

La sera dell'8 novembre 1944 un camion americano-guidato da autista italiano-che aveva trasportato dei militari italiani in libera uscita, sostava in Piazza Colonna.Attorno a nella vicinanze della macchina verso le ore 23 si trovavano dei militari in attesa del ritorno all'accampamento. Tre ufficiali inglesi-un maggiore,il capitano Adams ed il tenente Walters verso le 23 si stavano avvicinando al camion per chiedere se vi vanasse posto, quando il capitano Adams venne colpito a pochi passi dalla macchina stessa,da un pugno sul viso e buttato a terra. Il ten.Walters che voleva chiedere spiegazioni del fatto venne anche lui colpito e buttato a terra. Rialzandosi arrivarono una lampada da tascabile per vedere chi fosse stato l'autore. Essi non videro, ma cercarono aiuti della polizia e poichè frattanto il camion veniva messo in moto,intimarono all'autista di non partire in attesa della polizia. Difatti essi tornarono con due agenti inglesi e visitarono il camion dalla macchina per riconoscere l'aggressore,che indicarono nel caporale DONA' Pietro della 6^ compagnia autotrasporti. Con la stessa macchina si recarono tutti al più vicino posto di polizia inglese e poi il Dona condotto dai carabinieri addetti alla polizia militare,fu anche questo ufficio alla Questura Vecchia.

Il Dona sia nel primo ufficio che nel secondo dichiarò di non saper nulla del fatto e verso le ore 3 venne inviato all'accantonamento ove fu consegnato al sergente Bertini.

Dalle indagini esperite è risultato che alle 23 si trovavano sul posto dell'incidente oltre al Dona,il car.magg. Morini Domenico-autista- della 6^ Compagnia Autotrasporti ed i sergenti Bertini Bertino e Pierioli Ulisse e soldati Bergeri Lino, Spin Davide, Corsi Raimondo e Bruni Bruno-tutti della 6^ compagnia autotrasporti.

Tutti questi militari,come risulta dalle loro annesse dichiarazioni affermano di non aver potuto vedere l'aggressore sia per l'oscurità e sia perchè alcuni lontani. Il soldato Bruni,al cui si fa riserva di inviare la dichiarazione,perchè in licenza, ha affermato che era a fianco del Dona ed accenna che questi possa essere stato l'autore.

Si fa recato dal capitano Adams,assieme all'interprete Mario Vergnax ed al caporale Dona, ed il capitano Adams ha dichiarato di riconoscere nel Dona il suo aggressore, sia dalla statura e sia dall'anello che questi porta all'anulare della mano destra.Ha soggiunto però

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che il tenente Salti è potrebbe riconoscerlo meglio e che potrebbe anche darsi che possa essere uno altro della stessa statura e che abbia un anello allo stesso dito.

Non è stato possibile interrogare il tenente Walters, perché assente da Roma ed attualmente al 2° Bn. Rifle Brigade-C.M.F.

E' stato indagato per conoscere quali altri militari quella sera erano rientrati con quel camion, ma nessun altro è risultato tranne quelli citati.

Il Don quando è rientrato in caserma, verso le ore 3, non era brillo, come risulta dalla dichiarazione del sergente Martini.

Per quanto sopra rimetto tutto l'incartamento a codesto Tribunale per i provvedimenti che vorrà prendere, non risultando in modo evidente chi sia stato l'autore dalle percosse, essendo il fatto avvenuto su di un marciapiede, ove passavano molte persone, civili e militari.

La presente viene inviata solo ora, perché sono stato incaricato dell'inchiesta il giorno 17 corrente e non essendo venuto a conoscenza prima di allora.

Allego i seguenti documenti:

a) Copia del rapporto della polizia inglese;
b) " " " del capitano Adams;
c) " " " del tenente Walters;
d) " " " dei CC.RR. (n. 1/155 del 3-11-944);
e) dichiarazione del cappellano Don Pietro;
f) " " cap. maggiore Morini Domenico;
g) " " dal sergente Martini Martino;
h) " " " " Fiscioli Ulisse;
i) " " " dal soldato Bernardi Lino;
l) " " " dai soldati Mazzin Paride e Zerri Palmondo;
m) " " " dell'interprete Vergara Mario.

Il maggiore comandante
del battaglione
-Ernesto Quinto-

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R E P O R T III/PRO/3c/2345

To O.C. III Provost Company

Sir,

I have to report that at Rome on the 6th nov 44 at about 2315 hrs. I was on duti in Corso Umberto accompanied by 7600777 L/Cpl G. HELLIWELL. III Provost Company, when CAPT ADAMS 12 Th ROYAL Tank REGT at present with the N.IO BRITISH CONVALESCENT DEPOT, approached me and requested me to accompany Him to an Italian truk, which was par= ched in Piazza Colonna . He said that there was an italian soldier in the rear of this vehicle, who had struck him on the face and knocked him down. Lt. WAITERS, 2nd Bn. The Rifle Brigade, at present with number IO British Convalescent Depot who was present at the time and said that he had also been struck by the Italian soldier, whom recognised as Cap. DONA PIETRO Comandp 2° reparto di assalto 4° compagnia I° BAT TAGLIONE AUTOCAMIONISTI 2675 REGT. A.C. ST. POUL near Rome.

I arrested the Caporal Dona Pietro and asked the officers to accompany me to the OLD QUESTURA POLICE STATION where I obtined statement from the officers which are attached .I asked (trough the interpreter) if the Italian soldier whished to make a statement, and the reply w as "I cannot as I know noting about the incident".

I handed Cpl. Dona Pietro over to the N.C.O. i/c Carabinieri Detachement to be detained and obtained a Body receipt, which is attached.

Rome
6th November 1944

3315714 A.Hinchelwood L/Cpl.
III PROVOST COMPANY

ATTACHEMENTS: two(2) statements
one(I) Body receipt
Carabinieri Report

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S.P.C. A Hinchelwood Major
Provost Corps

C O P Y

STATEMENT MADE BY: Lt. W:D.F.WALTERS, 2nd Bn.
THE RIFLE BRIGADE

At approximately 2315 hrs.on Wednesday 8th Nov. 1944, whilst with Capt. ADAMS attempting to get a lift to N°10 (Br) Con. Depot,I was a few yards behind Capt.Adams as he approached several people wround an AMERICAN TRUCK,when I saw him struck down onto the pavement? I approached his assailant and asked him what he was about,when i was struck on the side of the face.There being too many people about I waited till he climbed on board a truck,then attempted to find some Military Police,the Italians who were around said that the man was drunk.Shortly afterwards two(2)M.P.s arrived and the truckwas driven to a Police Station,where the case was taken over.

signed:W.D.F. Walters Lt.
2.R.B.

STATEMENT MADE BY:Capt.L.R.ADAMS,12th ROYAL TANK REGT.

At about 2315 hrs. at the PIAZZA COLONNA I was enquiring at various M/T for a lift to 10 B.Con.Depot.at an American truck vehicle I was struck by an Italian soldier.

He laid me out,and also struck two officers with me.On questioning his friends,they informed me that he had been drinking wine.

Me fellow officers Lt.WALTERS noticed him climb on the back of the M/T. We awaited the arrival of the M.Police.

signed L.R.Adams,Capt.

LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DI ROMA
CARABINIERI ADDETTI ALLA POLIZIA ALLEATA
REPARTO CENTRALE QUESTURA VECCHIA

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Ref. N° I/135

Subject:Incident occurred between Italian soldier and English Officer.

To :the Commend of the 4a COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA 1°BTG.AUTOCAMIONISTI 2675 RGT. POSTA MILITARE 179

AND for information:
To the O.C.THE BRITISH MILITARY POLICE(Old Questura)ROME

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AND for information:

To the O.C.THE BRITISH MILITARY POLICE(Old Questura)ROME

To the Command of the CC.RR.ADDETTO ALLA P.A. VIA GALLONIO 11

At 2430 hrs.of today's date,the British Police has handed over to this Unit the Cpl.DONA Pietro,of the Unit to which this letter is addressed.The a/m Police stated that Cpl. DONA had a short while earlier come into a dispute with an English officer on Piazza Colonna,hitting him on the nose,procuring him an injury of little entity.The Cpl DONA in the presence of the offended officer decidedly denied the accusation,stating that not only was he completely a stranger to the incident, but that he wasn't even present, when it happened.

In accordance to what exposed above, the soldier will be tak to his proper unit for further action.

With the present it is to be known that the British Polic forward a report about the a/m incident.

The V. Brigadier
(Righi Renato

This serves as a receipt ofCpl DONA Pietro who is handed over to the Command of the 4ºCompagnia I Bat.Autocamionisti P.M. 179

The receiving:SGT BERTINI BERTINO VIA PRATI DI S.P

Per copia conforme
L'Aiutante Maggiore II
Tenente

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Io sottoscritto Caporale Donà Pietro di fu Luigi efu Frazzari Teresa nato a Termi il 29/6/1914 prov Padova appartenente alla 6^ compagnia autotrasporti, la sera dell'8 Novembre 1944 verso le ore 23 mi trovavo assieme al soldato Bruni Bruno anche della 6^ compagnia vicino al camion in attesa di rientrare in caserma Ad un tratto si sono avvicinati due ufficiali inglesi facendo dei gesti al mio indirizzo Non ho capito di che cosa si trattasse dopo pochi minuti e sono salito sul cassone del camion Dopo alcuni minuti sono ritornati i due ufficiali accompagnati dalla pulizia inglese hanno acceso una lampadina tascabile àà e di nuovo un ufficiale inglese indicava me col dito Subito dopo mi hanno accompagnato dalla pulizia inglese e poi dai Carabinieri Interrogato sia agli uni che agli altri ho dichiarato che nulla sapevo dell'incidente occorso all'ufficiale inglese che veniva a me attribuito I carabinieri mihanno trattenuto e solo verso le ore 3 mi hanno accompagnato in caserma e mi hanno consegnato al sergente Bertini Bertino

D R - Durante la libera uscita sono stato sempre assieme col soldato Bruni Bruno Ci siamo recati al cinema e non siamo entrati in nessuna mescita di vino

D R - Non ho altro da aggiungere

In fede di quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo

Roma li 20/Novembre 1944

Locci Pietro

Ten. Albert Stenzel
Asst. Criminal Investigation

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Io sottoscritto Caporal Maggiore MORINI Domenico fu Paolo e fu Pennazza Giuseppina nato a Forlì il 1°/8/1917 appartenente alla 4^ Compagnia Autotrasporti dichiaro quanto segue

La sera dell'8/11/1944 quale autista ho condotto un camion americano per trasportare i soldati in libera uscita A Piazza Colonna mi sono fermato in attesa di rientrare in caserma alle ore 23 'Sono rimasto ad attendere sempre nella cabina della macchina Pochi minuti prima delle ore 23 alla distanza di 4 metri davanti alla macchina ho appena scorto un individuo cadere Data l'oscurità non ho potuto distinguere bene cosa fosse accaduto, per cui non ho dato importanza al fatto Quando stavo per mettere in moto la macchina per rientrare si avvicinarono due militari che poi ho saputo essere Ufficiali, i quali a gesti mi fecero capire di attendere ancora Subito dopo sopraggiunsero due militari della Polizia inglese che mi fecero condurre il camion al posto di Polizia inglese, dopo circa dieci minuti mi dissero che potevo rientrare e così feci

D R Non posso esprimere il giudizio se sia stato un militare o un borghese a colpire l'Ufficiale inglese perchè il fatto si svolse sul marciapiedi ove transitavano molte persone Non ho altro da aggiungere

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in fede di quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo

Roma li 20/11/1944

Sten. Alba [illegible] Cap. M. Morini Domenico

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Il sottoscritto S.[illegible] Bertini Bertino di Att[illegible]io e fu Giusti Cesira nato a Cascinail 1[illegible]/1/1914 appartenente alla 6[illegible] compagnia autotrasporti dichiara che la sera dell'[illegible] Novembre 1944 mi trovavo nella cabina del camion americano, quando verso le ore 23 notai che circa 10 persone persona si abbatteva al suolo Non diedi importanza alla cosa perché non potetti conoscerese si trattasse di militari o borghesi Dopo circa un dieci minuti si avvicinarono al camion due ufficiali inglesi accompagnati dalla Pulizia Inglese, Allora uscii dalla cabina e vidi che un ufficiale inglese indicava il caporale Donà Pietro Salimmo tutti sul camion e ci recammo all'ufficio di pulizia inglese in un primo tempo e poi alla stazione dei CC RR Qui fui interrogato e dichiarai quanto ho esposto qui sopra -

D R - Non posso dichiarare altroperché non ho visto l'assalitore sia per il buio e sia perché credevo trattarsi di borghesi

D R - Verso le ore 3 un sottufficiale dei carabinieri mi consegno il caporale Donà con un rapporto dicendomi di consegnarlo al Comandante della compagnia

DR - Il caporale Donà non presentava alcun sintomo di ubbriachezza e si trovava in perfettissime condizioni Era completamente tranquillo ed è andato a dormire senza aggiungere parola

In fede di quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo

Roma li 20/Novembre 1944 Bertini Bertino 3788

Ten. Albani Pasquale

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Io sottoscritto serg Pizzioli Ulisse di fu Giovanni e di fu Cremonesi
Zelinda nato a Suzanne - Castel dario prov di Mantova il 8/10/191
appartenente alla 6ª compagnia dichiaro che la sera dell' 8/Novembre
1944 verso le ore 23 rientrato dalla libera uscita presi posto sul
camion che trasportava i militari Quando ero già sul camion si avvi
cinarono due ufficiali in abiti civili della polizia inglese e di lì ci rec
mo prima al posto della polizia inglese e poi dai Carabinieri Nulla
posso dichiarare circa il fatto non avendo visto nulla Solo dopo sep
pi che un ufficiale inglese era stato colpito con un pugno al viso
D R non so altro

In fede quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo

Pizzioli Ulisse

Roma li 20/Novembre 1944

Sten. Aiutante Lorenzini

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Io, sottoscritto soldato Bonari Lino di Romano e di Manni Carolina nato a Castel Dario prov Mantova il 21/7/1921 appartenente alla 6° compagnia, dichiaro che la sera dell'8 Novembre 1944 verso le ore 23 mi trovavo coi sorg Pizzioli in libera uscita Quando siamo tornati sul camion si sono avvicinati due ufficiali inglesi colla pulizia inglese Di,li il camion si é recato alla pulizia inglese Non ho nulla capito di quello che era successo Solo dopo seppi che un ufficiale inglese era stato colpito al viso
D R - Non so altro

In fede di quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo

Rola li 20/Novembre 1944

Bonari Lino

Sten. Alban Giangietta
cap. Emidio Vasquez

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Noi sottoscritti soldati Masin Paride di fu Albino e Costantina Maron nato a Le[illegible]go il 17/Marzo 1921 e Zorz[illegible] Raimondo di Ettore fu Luigia Britti nato il 7/7/1914 a Mezzo Lombardo -Trento dichiariamo che la sera dell'8/novembre 1944 verso le ore 23 siamo saliti sul camion per ritornare in caserma Solo allora abbiamo saputo che c'era stato un incidente ma non abbiamo potuto sapere di che cosa si trattasse perché eravamo stati sempre molto lontano dal camion

D R - Non possiamo dichiarare altro

In fede di quanto sopra ci sottoscriviamo

Roma li 20/Novembre 1944

Masin Paride

Zorzi Raimondo

Sten. Albert Krumpholz
Mapping Unit Karpenedy

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Io sottoscritto Mario Vergara di Craco quale interprete ufficiale e tecnico del Io Battaglione Autocamionisti della Commissione Alleata, dichiaro che il giorno Io Novembre 1944 su invito del Maggiore QUINTO Pasquale mi recai assieme a lui al IO Deposito Convalescenziale Britannico sito nei locali dell'ex E.42, per interrogare il Capitano ADAMS ed il tenente WALTERS circa l'incidente loro occorso la sera dell' otto Novembre IO44. Vi era soltanto il capitano ADAMS mentre il Tenente WALTERS era stato dimesso ed attualmente si trova a IIo Bn. RIFLE BRIGADE C.M.F.
Il capitano ADAMS ha dichiarato quanto segue:

La sera dell' otto Novembre 1944 assieme ad un Maggiore ed al Tenente WALTERS (Tutti inglesi) mi stavo avvicinando, erano circa le ore 22.00, ad un camion americano per chiedere se si recasse verso Ostia, quando a pochi metri dal camion venni colpito da un pugno al viso e gettato a terra. Uguale sorte toccò al Tenente WALTERS che cercò di chiedere spiegazioni. Ci rialzammo ed accendemmo subito una lampadina tascabile e riconoscemmo nell'aggressore il Caporale DONA' PIETRO in seguito riconosciuto per tale. Non reagimmo ma intimammo all'autista del camion che frattanto si stava mettendo in moto di non partire in attesa della polizia. Tornai con questi presso il camion nel cassone della macchina riconoscemmo ed indicammo quale nostro aggressore il Caporale DONA'.
D.R. Riconosco il mio aggressore qui' presente (perche' assieme al Maggiore QUINTO PASQUALE e lo scrivente eravi anche il DONA') sia dalla corporatura e sia da l'anello che porta nell'anulare della mano destra.
Meglio di me potrebbe riconoscerlo il Tenente WALTERS.
D.R. Non posso escludere che possa essere stato un altro individuo della stessa corporatura e che portai anche lui un anello alla mano destra.

Non ho altro da aggiungere ed in fede di quanto sopra mi sottoscrivo.

Roma li 20 Novembre 1944

MARIO VERGARA DI CRACO
Technical Interpreter
1st Truck. Bn. 2675 rgt. Allied Comm

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Subject: Stoppages of Pay.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

21 Nov 44.

AFHQ

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Ref CH/6044/G1(Br) of 19 Nov. 44.

1. At present, disciplinary stoppages of pay are deducted from the monies paid to the soldier and thus remain in the possession of the Italian Government.

2. In view of para 2 of your letter, it is recommended that this procedure should continue and that no steps be taken by MMIA.

3. Will you please confirm so that the necessary instructions may be sent to the appropriate Italian HQs.

F J Noakes 3783

F. J. NOAKES, Colonel,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

FJN/wk

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Subject: Discipline - Courts of Inquiry

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

21 Nov 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. A Court of Inquiry has investigated the circumstances of a Traffic Accident which occurred a few miles from MONTEROTUNDO on 15 Oct 1944.

2. The accident resulted in the following casualties:-

one British OR killed and three wounded
two Italian Soldiers killed and seventeen wounded

3. The officer convening the court has expressed his opinion that insufficient care was taken to ensure that the vehicle was not overloaded.

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F. J. NOAKES, Colonel,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Subject: Discipline - Traffic Accidents

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

21 Nov 44.

CG. 50 BLU
" 51 BLU
" 52 BLU
" 53 BLU
" 54 BLU
for DADGT

Austin Utility W.D. No M: 5894007

1. Will you please advise this H.Q. whether you are able to state to whom the vehicle, particulars as above, is on charge.

2. The vehicle, driven by Lt PAOLO PITTALUGA, was involved in an accident on 9 Nov 44 on the Casino - Rome road.

SP/Motor Cyc 101

S. P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG.
M. M. I. A.

EFA/wk

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Il Ministro della Guerra

Roma, li 21 NOV 1944

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Caro Generale,

Nel ricevere il rapporto da Lei inviatomi, ho fatto rilevare al generale di brigata MORO, vice comandante del gruppo di combattimento "Folgore", quanto è oggetto di particolare segnalazione nel rapporto stesso.

Al generale MORO ho rivolto, altresì, un severo richiamo per il suo operato.

Le invio cordiali saluti.

Alessandro Casati

3.80

Gen. BROWNING Langley
Capo della Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

Folios 3554 362 also 373

Dear General; Upon receipt of the report you sent me, I have informed Brig. Gen. MORO, 2 i/C of the FOLGORE Combat Group of the remarks contained in said report.
I have also severely reprimanded Gen MORO for his action.
With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,
(Sgd) ALESSANDRO CASATI

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:17.
20 Nov 44.

Subject:- Accident Report.

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To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

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Attached Military Police Accident Report is forwarded for your information and necessary action. 377

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Reports.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
20 Nov 44.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

Attached T.V.Rs are forwarded for your information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

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Subject: Discipline C.M.P. Reports

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
ROME
AQ/6

20 Nov 44.

AMIA LC 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
HQ 54 Area

1. Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Traffic Reports to the correct authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

2. One copy of the report should have the punishment awarded endorsed on the reverse side and returned to this HQ for information.

S P Archer Capt. 3.11.44

S. P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wr.

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SO/ba.

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 30485 9/C.A. 312-IV-2 P.M.151 li 20 novembre 1944

OGGETTO: Investimento automobilistico provocato da militare italiano -

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

Riferimento lettera A G/ 6 del 2 ottobre u.s.-

In relazione a quanto richiesto con la lettera in riferimento comunico:

- il caporale Dal Bo Alfredo del 541 rgt.ftr.è stato denunziato al tribunale militare di guerra del comando militare della Puglia e Lucania;

- restituisco la copia del verbale riguardante l'investimento automobilistico di cui trattasi.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Gen.G.B.Oxilia)

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ROMA

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Gen.G.B.Oxilia)

Oxilia

Dal Bo
Alfredo
autista
arrestato
SPD
26/11

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/6049/G1(Br).

19 Nov 44.

Land Forces Sub-Commission
AC (MMIA) ROME.

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SUBJECT: Stoppages of Pay

1. Reference your letter A/6 dated 10 Nov 44 regarding the awards of stoppages of pay against Italian soldiers, in respect of loss or damage to WD property on loan to Italian Units.

2. It is considered that this should be continued from a disciplinary point of view and to act as a deterrent to other soldiers, but in view of the present financial arrangements with the Italian Government it is unnecessary for these sums to be paid to the British Public, in which case the amounts so recovered should be refunded to the Italian Government.

3. If, however, you consider that it will facilitate your accounting procedure, arrangements can be made for these amounts to be refunded to the Public, should you so desire.

4. Would you please inform this HQ which of the two courses you wish to adopt.

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for Major General,
D.A.G., G-1(Br).

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Copy to: Financial Adviser.

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AQ/6

Translation

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From: Ministry of War

Ref: 106900/I
110.5.28

Subject: Disciplinary Punishment.

Date: 19 November 1944.

Awaiting regular publication of the military journal, I forward, for immediate application, the enclosed Decree of the lieutenant of the Realm which increases disciplinary punishment for C/Rs.

I call attention to the increase in length of punishment and particularly to what is directed in the last paragraph of the Decree; these directives are issued in an endeavour to decrease the number of cases of absence without leave.

DECREE OF HUMBERT OF SAVOY, lieutenant of the Realm

ART 1

Paras 599 and 600 of part III of the Army military discipline regulations, approved by R.Decree of the 24 June, 1929, and successive amendments, are superceeded by the following:

"Para 599- the disciplinary punishments for the 'graduato' are:

1) Recall.
2) Confinement to barracks from 1 - 30 days.
3) Simple punishment room from 1 - 30 days.
4) Severe punishment room from 2 - 30 days.
5) Solemn reprimand.
6) Reduction in grade.
7) Reduction in grade and transfer to correction comapnies.

"Para 600- the disciplinary punishments for the private are:

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1) Recall.
2) Confinement to barracks from 1 - 30 days.
3) Simple punishment room from 1 - 30 days.
4) Severe punishment room from 2 - 30 days.
5) Reduction from appuntato or private first class.
6) Transfer to correction companies.

ART 2

The fortress/imprisonment for officers, severe confinement for officers and marescialli, the severe punishment room for Staff sergeants and Sergeants, the severe punishment room for the graduati and privates as well as the state of awaiting verdict bring about loss of war-indemnities (combat pay and special daily allowances as per R.Decree of 5 April 1944, No. 122) when the punished military were entitled to such indemnity.

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Simple confinement for officers and marescialli, the simple punishment room for all other ranks, as well as the transfer for disciplinary reasons of military of all ranks bring about reduction to 1/2 of war indemnities (combat pay and special daily allowances as per R. Decree of 5 April 1944, No. 122) when the punished military are entitled to such pay.

ART 3

NCOs not of the Regular Army and O/Rs who are punished with the severe punishment room will be held in service, at the time of discharge or unlimited leave for a period corresponding to the time spent under punishment after the date on which this Decree becomes effective.

The (as in ART 3 above) ~~This~~ period is doubled for military personnel ~~as per preceding paragraph~~ who were punished for AWOL.

Rome, 13 Oct 1944.

UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

A. CASATI

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Rome, 13 Oct 1944.

UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

A. CASATI

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

VE/ba.

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 305352/2/C.A. *Allegati* due

Roma, 29 novembre 1944

Risposta al disp. del

Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO: Trasmissione circolari -

Trasmissione di circolari

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. -(M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

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26/11.

Trasmetto copia della circolare n.106900/I, oggetto: "Punizioni disciplinari" e dell'ordine del giorno n.106840/I, oggetto: "Unità salmerie".

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

Gasparini

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Enclosed copy of circular n. 106900/I;
Subject: "Disciplinary punishment" and order of the day No. 106840/I,
Subject: "Pack units."

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2ª ARMY FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. -(A.F.H.Q.)

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

G. Gatti

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Subject: "Disciplinary punishment" and order of the day No. 106840/I,
Subject: "Pack units."

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Translation

M/U Order of the Day.

Ref: 106 840/I
136.1.116
Date: 20 Nov. 1944.

Subject: Pack Units.

The pack units, which operate in fraternal collaboration with the Allied troops, have, during the course of one year, made a valuable contribution on the Italian front. In the most impenetrable and difficult regions their work has often been decisive for a successful operation.

At first isolated units, the pack troops are now a body which writes pages of pure heroism with its daily blood-sacrifices. Enemy fire, mine-fields, difficult terrain and adverse elements cannot stop them. Silent and untiring, they always reach their goal; the spirit of our mountain troops is present in them.

Their contribution to Victory is equal to that of the fighting troops, and they, as well as all the other service units which collaborate with the Allies on the front lines, are considered as such.

My warmest praise goes to officers and men.

S/CASATI

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Translations

From: Ministry of War

Ref No: 305352/2/C.A.

Date: 23 November 1944.

To : MMIA

Subject: Transmission of Circular.

Enclosed, copy of Circular No. 106900/I, subject: "Disciplinary Punishment" and order of the day No. 106840/I, subject: "Pack Units".

Sgd G.n. OXILIA

Ref: 106840/I
136.1.116

20 November 1944

MINISTRY OF WAR ORDER OF THE DAY

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sgd A. CASATI

Allegato alla lettera n. 405352/eq

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. 106840 / I
136.1.116

P. M. 151 - 20 novembre 1944

ORDINE DEL GIORNO

OGGETTO: Unità Salmerie.

Le unità salmerie, operanti in fraterna collaborazione con le truppe alleate, hanno dato nel volgere di oltre un anno validissimo contributo alle operazioni sul fronte italiano. Nelle zone più impervie e difficili il loro apporto è stato spesso decisivo per il successo.

Reparti isolati all' inizio, le salmerie sono ora falange che con i suoi diuturni sacrifici di sangue scrive pagine di puro eroismo. Fuoco nemico, campi minati, difficoltà di terreno e rigore di elementi, nulla le arresta. Silenziose ed infaticabili giungono sempre alla meta; aleggia in esse lo spirito delle nostre truppe da montagna.

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Il loro contributo alla vittoria è pari a quello delle truppe combattenti e come tali esse vanno considerate insieme con tutti gli altri reparti ausiliari che collaborano con gli alleati sulle linee avanzate.

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A ufficiali e truppa vada il mio caldo elogio.

IL MINISTRO
A. CASATI

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Allegato alla lettera n. 305352/Ec

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto

N° 106900/I
110.5.28 di prot.

P.M. 151, 19 novembre 1944

OGGETTO: Punizioni disciplinari.

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AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA	P.M.75/A
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA	B A R I
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SICILIA	P.M. 72
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AL COMANDO ITALIANO 212	P.M. 181
AL COMANDO DELEGAZIONE "T" DELLO S.M.RE.	P.M. 179
e, per conoscenza:	
ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.M. IL RE D'ITALIA	NAPOLI
ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO	R O M A
ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO DI S.A.R. IL DUCA D'AOSTA	SUA SEDE
AL MINISTERO DELLA MARINA	R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA	R O M A
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE	P.M. 151
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ALL'UFFICIO DELL'ALTO COMMISSARIO PER I PRIGIONIERI DI GUERRA	R O M A
ALL'ISPETTORATO ARMA ARTIGLIERIA	R O M A
ALL'ISPETTORATO ARMA DEL GENIO	R O M A
AL COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CC.RR.	R O M A
AL COMANDO GENERALE R. GUARDIA DI FINANZA	R O M A
AL TRIBUNALE SUPREMO MILITARE	R O M A
ALLA PROCURA GENERALE PRESSO IL TRIBUNALE SUPREMO MILITARE	R O M A
AL COMANDO CENTRO RACCOLTA E RIORGANIZZAZIONE SETTORE ADRIATICO (C.E.R.S...)	P.M. 185
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AL COMANDO DELEGAZIONE 'T' DELLO S.M.RE. — P.M. 181
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e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.M. IL RE D'ITALIA
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ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO DI S.A.R. IL DUCA D'AOSTA — R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELLA MARINA — SUA SEDE
AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA — R O M A
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE — R O M A
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ALLA COMMISSIONE PER L'INTERROGATORIO DEGLI UFFICIALI REDUCI DA PRIGIONIA — L E C C E
ALLE DIREZIONI GENERALI E UFFICI AUTONOMI DEL MINISTERO — S E D E

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In attesa della regolare pubblicazione nel giornale militare, trasmetto, per l'immediata applicazione, l'unito Decreto luo

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gotenenziale col quale le punizioni disciplinari per i militari di truppa sono inasprite.

Richiamo l'attenzione sull'aumento della durata delle punizioni ed in particolare su quanto disposto con l'ultimo capoverso del Decreto stesso, provvedimenti che tendono, nel campo disciplinare, a infrenare il grave fenomeno delle assenze arbitrarie.

IL MINISTRO
A. Casati

P. C. C.
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Awaiting regular publication of the military journal, forward, for immediate application, the enclosed Decree

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IL M I N I S T R O
A. Casati

P. C. C.
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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I forward, for immediate publication of the military journal, of the Lieutenant of the Realm which ~~contains~~ inverts disciplinary punishment for O/Rs.

~~And~~ I call attention to the increase in length of punishment and particularly to what ~~was~~ is directed in the last paragraph of the Decree; these directives ~~by, in the disciplinary field, to curb the excessive cases of A.W.O.L.~~ are issued in an endeavour to decrease the number of cases of absence without leave.

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UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

PRINCIPE DI PIEMONTE

LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

IN VIRTÙ dell'autorità a Noi delegata;

VISTO il regolamento di disciplina militare per il R. Esercito, approvato con R. decreto 24 giugno 1929 e successive modificazioni;

SULLA PROPOSTA del Ministro per la Guerra;

Abbiamo decretato e decretiamo:

ART. 1.

I paragrafi 599 e 600 della parte III del regolamento di disciplina militare per il R. Esercito, approvato con R. decreto 24 giugno 1929, e successive modificazioni, sono sostituiti dai seguenti:

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" paragrafo 599 – Le punizioni disciplinari per il graduato di truppa sono:

1. **il richiamo;**
2. **la consegna in caserma da 1 a 30 giorni;**
3. **la camera di punizione semplice da 1 a 30 giorni;**
4. **la camera di punizione di rigore da 2 a 30 giorni;**
5. **il rimprovero solenne;**

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4. **la camera di punizione di rigore da 2 a 30 giorni;**
5. **il rimprovero solenne;**
6. **la retrocessione dal grado;**
7. **il passaggio alle compagnie di correzione, previa retrocessione dal grado**„.

"paragrafo 600 – Le punizioni disciplinari per il soldato sono:

1. **il richiamo;**
2. **la consegna in caserma da 1 a 30 giorni;**
3. **la camera di punizione semplice da 1 a 30 giorni;**
4. **la camera di punizione di rigore da 2 a 30 giorni;**
5. **la retrocessione da appuntato o da soldato scelto;**
6. **il passaggio alle compagnie di correzione**„.

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ART. 2.

La fortezza per gli ufficiali, gli arresti di rigore per gli ufficiali ed i marescialli, la sala di punizione di rigore per i sergenti maggiori e sergenti, la camera di punizione di rigore per graduati e militari di truppa nonchè la posizione di attesa di giudizio per i militari di qualunque grado, comportano la perdita delle indennità di guerra (soprassoldo di operazioni e speciali indennità giornaliere di cui al R. decreto 5 aprile 1944, n. 122), ove i puniti godano di tale indennità.

Gli arresti semplici per gli ufficiali ed i marescialli, la sala di punizione semplice per i sergenti maggiori e sergenti, la camera di punizione semplice per i graduati e militari di truppa, nonchè l'invio sotto consiglio di disciplina per i militari di qualunque grado, comportano la riduzione a metà delle indennità di guerra (soprassoldo di operazioni e speciali indennità giornaliere di cui al R. decreto 5 aprile 1944, n. 122), ove i puniti godano di tale indennità.

ART. 3.

I sottufficiali non di carriera e i graduati e militari di truppa ai quali sia inflitta rispettivamente la sala di rigore o la camera di punizione di rigore sono trattenuti alle armi, all'atto del congedamento o dell'invio in licenza illimitata, per un periodo di tempo corrispondente a quello trascorso in punizione dopo l'entrata in vigore del presente decreto.

Detto periodo è raddoppiato per i militari di cui al comma precedente che siano stati puniti per assenza arbitraria dai reparti.

Il presente decreto sarà comunicato alla Corte dei Conti per la registrazione.

Dato a Rona, 13 ottobre 1944.

f.to **UMBERTO DI SAVOIA**

controfirmato **A. CASATI**

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Art. 2

The fortress for officers, severe confinement for officers and marescialli, severe punishment room for staff-sergeants and Sergeants, the severe punishment room for the graduati and privates as well as the state of awaiting verdict bring about loss of war-indemnities (combat pay + special daily allowances of 5 April 1944, No. 122) when the punished military are entitled to such indemnity.

Simple confinement for officers and marescialli, the simple punishment room for all other ranks, as well as the transfer for disciplinary reasons of military of all ranks bring about reduction to 1/2 of war indemnities (combat pay and spec. daily allowances as per etc etc ..) when the punished military are not titled to such pay.

Art. 3.

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NCOs not of the Regular Army and O/Rs who are punished with the severe punishment room will be held in service, at the time of discharge or unlimited leave for a period corresponding to the time spent under punishment after the date on which this Decree becomes effective.

This period is doubled for military as per preceding paragraph who were punished for AWOL.

Rome, 13 Oct. 1944.

S/ UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

C.S./ CASATI

EBB

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Translation

Decree of HUMBERT OF SAVOY, lieutenant of the Realm.

Art. 1.

Para. 599 and 600 of part III of the Army military discipline regulations approved by R-Decree of the 24 June, 1929, and successive modifications, are ~~substituted~~ superseded with the following:

"para. 599- the disciplinary punishments for the graduate are:

1) Recall.
2) Confinement to barracks from 1- 30 days.
3) Simple punishment room " 1-30 "
4) Severe " " " 2-30 "
5) Solemn reprimand
6) Reduction in grade
7) " " " transfer to correction companies.

" para. 600- the disciplinary punishments for the Private are:

1) Recall
2) Confinement to barracks from 1- 30 days.
3) Simple punishment room " 1-30 "
4) Severe " " " 2-30 "
5) Reduction from appuntato or Private-first-class.
6) Transfer to correction companies.

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Office of S/Lieut(Pr
HQ 207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:3/3.
18 Nov 44.

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Report.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

A2/6
25/11

Attached T.V.R is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

A2/6
25/11

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Subject: Discipline - CMP Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

18 Nov 44.

MMIA LO 50 BLU
P.B.S.

1. Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Reports to the correct authority in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt.,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Subject: Discipline - Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

18 Nov 44.

O.C. 1st Truck Bn,
2675th Regt, HQ A.C.

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Further to this HQ letter AQ/6 of 16 Nov 44.

1. Will you please advise this HQ, for the information of HQ RAAC, of the punishment awarded to Cpl DONA PIETRO, who was alleged to have struck two British Officers as reported in the CMP Report forwarded with the above quoted letter.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Copy to HQ RAAC (your 9A of 14 Nov refers) — 377

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Subject: Traffic ccident - 14 Oct. 44.

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To:- M.M.I.A. HQ
~~Piedimonte.~~ Rome

AG 1/6 1/12

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On 14 Oct 44, at about 1030 hrs., near Caivano, a collision occurred between Ambulance No. 5649141, driven by the Italian soldier GASPARINI Oreste, attached to"Gruppo"Combattimento Friuli" and a civil car No. NA 2 1348 driven by NATALE Raffaele. Some persons, who were travelling in the civil car, sustained injuries.

Will you please inform me whether the Ambulance is on charge to the Italian Army.

Naples
17 Nov 44
GN/A

Sig'd to 30 Bde 6/12 Sec 430

[signature]
Major,
D.A.D. Claims,
48 Claims and Hirings.

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Subject: Discipline - Incident at Naples.

Capt MARINI Vincenzo

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

17 Nov. 44.

To : HQ A.A.I., C.M.F. (for Maj Gen L.L.LEMNITZER)
Adv. HQ A.A.I. C.M.F.

Further to this HQ Letter AQ/6 of 24 Aug.
(addressed Ministry of War, copy to you).

1. Copy translation of the report submitted by the Ministry of War is forwarded herewith.

2. It will be seen that the report confirms the punishment awarded to the above named officer, as reported to you by phone to Asst. G-4 Adv. HQ. AAI.

SPA/mk

F. J. HOARE, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Discipline - CMP Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/6

12 Nov 44.

MMIA LO, 50 BLU

Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. Report to the proper authority, in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

S P Archer Capt

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Col. DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Difference between Italian Territorial and Administrative Hqs.

Land Forces Sub-Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
TS/G/12
16 Nov 44

TO : AFHQ (A)

Copy to: AAI (A)

1. With further ref to TS/G/12 of 16 Nov, attached as Appx 'A' are the proposed duties of an Italian Adm Hq (209, 210, 212, 227, 228, 230 Div.) working for the Allies and an Italian Territorial Hq.

2. These proposals have been agreed by the Italian Ministry of War and are considered suitable by this HQ.

3. Will you please say if you have any comments before the instructions are issued.

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L.M. Ingleden. Lt-Col
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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L.M. Ingledew.
fr Major General H-Cl
M.M.I.A.

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Air Force S.C. A.C.

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SECRET

RESPONSIBILITIES OF ITALIAN TERRITORIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE HQ.

1. Italian Adm Div HQ will have the following responsibilities :-

(a) Org of sups of all kinds (rations, clothing, POL, med sups, accn stores) for all Italian tps under comd of the parent Allied fmn, with the assistance of MMIA LO and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA. In all such matters the Adm Div HQ will deal direct with the Italian War Ministry, keeping the MMIA LO informed, or direct with parent Allied fmn, through MMIA LO.

(b) Distributions of sups of all kinds to all Italian tps under comd of the parent Allied fmn under the direction of MMIA LO, and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA.

(c) Discipline and welfare and all purely Italian Army Adm matters for all tps placed under its comd. On all such matters, the Adm HQ will deal with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ and NOT direct with the War Ministry.

(d) Maintenance of all ITI-ITI tps under its comd by arrangement with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ except when otherwise directed by MMIA.

(e) Function as the recognized Italian Mil Authority with whom the parent Allied fmn will deal on all local matters concerning the Italian tps under its comd.

(f) G O C Italian Adm HQ is the rep of the War Ministry in the area under his comd and is there to be consulted on and give every assistance in all matters of major issue.

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2. (a) Italian Adm Div HQ will be under Italian Adm comd of an Italian Territorial HQ. The Territorial HQ is responsible to the War Ministry for the proper functioning of all fmns, units within its area, incl the Adm Div HQ. This responsibility is particularly concerned with adm and discipline, and control of funds and stores. In the case of the Adm Div HQ, the Territorial HQ is responsible for ensuring

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comd of the parent Allied fmn under the direction of MMIA LO, and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA.

(c) Discipline and welfare and all purely Italian Army Adm matters for all tps placed under its comd. On all such matters, the Adm HQ will deal with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ and NOT direct with the War Ministry.

(d) Maintenance of all ITI-ITT tps under its comd by arrangement with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ except when otherwise directed by MMIA.

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(b) Should the tps of an Adm Div HQ be spread over more than one region, the channel of communication will be from units to Adm Div HQ to Territorial HQ in which the HQ of the Adm Div is situated

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Ref:- D.C.I./367.

Subject:- Court of Inquiry.

To:- Liaison Officer,
H.Q.I.A., Paris.

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Court of Inquiry was held at this Headquarters on 12 Nov 1944 in connection with one spare wheel complete, which was stolen from a Utility Car on loan to 924 (Italian) Docks Operating Coy.

Two copies of the Proceedings are attached for your necessary action.

A.F.C.998 in triplicate is also attached, but if these forms are not required by you, please return to this Headquarters.

Captain & Adjutant.
No.1 Docks Group, R.E.

Field.

18.11.44.

Master File.

To H.Q.I.A.
Returned C/I
to Base 2.0
for action
BMT 11/12

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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

Ref: 5AB2

16 Nov 44

Subject:- Death 55017011 Spr WEST W.

GHQ 02E GHF

Copy to:- 104 CRE Works
OC 4 Vet Hosp
M.M.I.A.

Proceedings of Court of Inquiry together with endorsement by Commander British Troops Rome are forwarded.

A.L.LOUDEN
Major
for Brigadier
Commander British Troops Rome

DW/db

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ALLEGATO B).

COMANDO 545 COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA
Servizi Generali per A. A.

N. 03/258/7 di prot. PM.151, li 10 Ottobre 1944

OGGETTO: Rapporto incidente automobilistico.

AL COMANDO FF.AA.DEL LAZIO ABRUZZI E UMBRIA
Direzione affari vari
R O M A

Al COMANDO TERRITORIALE DEL TRIBUNALE MILITARE DI ROMA
R O M A

e p.c.
Al COMANDO DEPOSITO 140 Reggimento Fanteria
L E C C E

Io sottoscritto, Tenente di Fanteria in S.P.E. FORTI Armando di Giovanni e di Lavinia Ponna, nato a Venezia il 17 maggio 1911, comandante titolare della 545 Compagnia Autonoma e alle dipendenze del 4 Ospedale Veterinario Inglese dislocato a Passo Corese (Casale Nuovo ROMA), trovandomi a bordo dell'autocarro durante l'incidente di cui in oggetto riferisco quanto appresso:

Il giorno 15 del mese di ottobre 1944 alle ore 18,30 circa l'autocarro inglese Dodge di portata 3 tonnellate matr.L.53145938 partì da Casale Nuovo per Monterotondo con 23 militari italiani tra sottufficiali e truppa, due ufficiali pure italiani e 5 militari inglesi non meglio identificati del 4 Ospedale Veterinario Inglese.

I due ufficiali italiani erano: io ed il Tenente Burlizzi Vitantonio di Giovanni classe 1916 Distretto Lecce ed effettivo al mio reparto.

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Tale autocarro da qualche tempo era stato messo a disposizione dal Comando dell'Ospedale Inglese per portare in libera uscita nei pomeriggi di domenica i militari Inglesi e italiani a Monterotondo che è il centro abitato più vicino e che offre qualche diversivo.

Giunti nella piazza di Monterotondo chiesi e seppi dall'au-

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Giunti nella piazza di Monterotondo chiesi e seppi dall'autista inglese che il ritorno al campo era fissato per le ore 22, pertanto mi affrettai ad avvisare i miei soldati di essere per quell'ora puntuali all'adunata. Dopodichè li misi in libertà.

Alle ore 21,30 assieme al Tenente Burlizzi mi trovai sulla piazza, controllai i miei uomini che risultarono tutti presenti ed il sergente staff inglese dopo avere avuto assicurazione da me che tutti erano saliti diede ordine di partire.

Potevano essere le ore 22 circa.

Tutti indistintamente i militari italiani, compreso il sottoscritto, avevano preso posto nel cassone. Avanti nella cabina vi erano l'autista ed un sergente, ambedue inglesi. Dopo qualche centinaia di metri la macchina si fermò, e poichè mi trovavo seduto su una panchina nell'interno ed il cassone era coperto dalla tenda, chiesi e venni a sapere da quelli che stavano avanti a mecche erano saliti tre soldati inglesi non del nostro Ospedale.

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L'autocarro riprendeva quindi la marcia. Io non potevo farmi una idea della velocità data la posizione in cui mi trovavo, soltanto notavo le curve della strada dall'ondeggiamento delle persone che si trovavano quasi tutti all'impiedi.

Ad un certo momento il camione in una curva sbandò paurosamente e si rovesciò sul lato destro.

Erano circa le 22,10. Il posto dell'incidente dista circa 500 metri dal passaggio a livello di Monterotondo Scalo, e 600 circa dalla via Salaria.

Ignoro la causa precisa che determinò il grave incidente perchè non mi trovavo avanti con l'autista. Da quel poco però che ho potuto apprendere dagli inglesi, data la loro riservatezza, e dalle mie considerazioni, ritengo che l'autista abbia preso non troppo bene la curva nel girare a sinistra e che il peso delle persone, che gravitavano sulla destra per forza di inerzia, abbia provocato il ribaltamento della macchina.

A mio parere l'andatura non doveva essere eccessiva. Non mi risulta che ci siano state forature di pneumatici e nemmeno che l'autista abbia incrociato o cercato di sorpassare altre macchine.

Io fui tra i primi ad uscire e subito dopo assieme al Tenente Burlizzi e ad altri rimasti ~~kxm~~ illesi mi prodigai ad aiutare i feriti. Dopo pochi minuti giunsero sul posto due automezzi allertati e fatti salire tutti i feriti, un autocarro fu avviato all'Ospedale Civile di Monterotondo con il Tenente Burlizzi, e l'altro con il sergente Di Blasio, a cui avevo affidato i feriti, fu avviato all'Ospedale di Roma. Su questa macchina si trovavano pure degli inglesi che furono assistati al loro ospedale di Roma.

Tra i feriti fu rinvenuto anche un geniere italiano, il quale rispondeva al nome di Darè Luigi di paternità non precisata classe 1919 Distretto Militare di Legnago ed effettivo al II plotone 3752 gnia del 28 Btg Artieri Posta militare 135, reparto dipendente dalla 629 Compagnia Genio Inglese e attualmente dislocata a Cesole Nuovo nei pressi della mia Compagnia. Da informazioni assunte mi risulta che questo geniere nel pomeriggio della stessa giornata si era recato a piedi dal suo campo a Monterotondo ed alla sera senza chiedere l'au-

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Partite le macchine per gli ospedali feci interessare un inglese presso un vicino campo del Genio Britannico per avere un automezzo e infatti dopo mezz'ora questo venne e rientrai al campo con tutti i militari incolumi.

Il mattino del 16 mi recai agli ospedali per rendermi conto dello stato di salute degli uomini.

Militari italiani deceduti in seguito a ferite riportate 2, feriti 17.

Militari inglesi deceduti 1, feriti 3.

I sottoelencati militari italiani sono stati ricoverati agli ospedali di Monterotondo e di Roma :

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OSPEDALE CIVILE DI MONTEROTONDO

1.	Cl.1917	Fante	Macchiaroli Antonio	di Vincenzo	Distr.	Mil.	Salerno
2.	1924	"	Villani Vincenzo	fu Vincenzo	"	"	Lecce
3.	1923	"	Comini Pierino	di Daniele	"	"	Brescia
4.	1924	Cap.	Lecci Egidio	di Silvestro	"	"	Lecce
5.	1919	Cap. Magg.	Mantovani Buonio	di Attilio	"	"	Modena
6.	1920	Serg.	Bincoletti Luigi	di Francesco	"	"	Treviso
(1) 7.	1921	Fante	Centonze Carmelo	di Alberto	"	"	Lecce

OSPEDALE MILITARE "MONTE GRAPPA" ROMA

8.	Cl.1924	Fante	Paradiso Matteo	di Michele	"	"	Potenza
9.	1924	"	D'Angelo Michele	di Celestino	"	"	Potenza
10.	1923	"	Trovato Giuseppe	di Enrico	"	"	Catania
11.	1923	"	Donora Mario	di Enrico	"	"	Ferrara
12.	1924	"	Cuppone Cosimo	di Angelo	"	"	Lecce
13.	1922	"	Dunitello Nicola	fu Rocco	"	"	Lecce
14.	1922	Cap. "Magg.	Vincenti Salvatore	di Michelangelo"	"	"	Lecce
15.	1924	Fante	De France Vincenzo	di Antonio	"	"	Palermo
16.	1922	"	Di Bartolomeo Luigi	di Antonio	"	"	Barlett
17.	1924	"	Buccarello Pompeo	di Domenico	"	"	Lecce
(2) 18.	1923	"	Dell'Olio Donato	di Mauro	"	"	Barlett
19.	1919	Geniere	Darè Luigi (paternità non precisata)		"		Legnago

(1) Il fante CENTONZE Carmelo di Alberto e di Amato Maria nato il 10/7/921 a S. Pietro in Lama (Lecce) e residente in Via G. Garibaldi No.42, è deceduto durante il trasporto all'Ospedale di Monterotondo in seguito alle gravi ferite riportate.

(2) Il fante Dell'Olio Donato di Mauro e fu Cosmai Silvia nato il 4/9/923 a Bisceglie (Bari) e residente in Via Francesco Veneziano No.21 Bisceglie, è deceduto il giorno 15 c.m. all'Ospedale militare "Monte Grappa" in Roma per emorragia interna e contusione toracica addominale.

Le condizioni di salute dei ricoverati in data odierna sono generalmente buone ad eccezione del fante Macchiaroli Antonio che è tutt'ora in pericolo di vita.

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	16.	1922	"	Di Bartolomeo Luigi	di Antonio	"	"	Barlett
	17.	1924	"	Buscarello Pompeo	di Domenico	"	"	Lecce
(2)	18.	1923	"	Dell'Olio Donato	di Mauro	"	"	Barlett
	19.	1919	Genitore	Darè Luigi	(paternità non precisata)	"		Legnago

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(2) Il fante Dell'Olio Donato di Mauro e fu Cosmai Silvia nato il 4/9/923 a Bisceglie (Bari) e residente in Via Francesco Veneziano No.21 Bisceglie, è deceduto il giorno 16 c.m. all'Ospedale militare "Monte Grappa" in Roma per emorragia interna e contusione toracica addominale.

Le condizioni di salute dei ricoverati in data odierna sono generalmente buone ad eccezione del fante Macchiaroli Antonio che è tutt'ora in pericolo di vita. 3751

COMANDANTE LA COMPAGNIA
f.to. (Tenente PORTI ARMANDO)

545 COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA FMR A.A.

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APPENDIX C.

COMANDO 545 COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA
per servizi generale per A.A.

n.03/230/P di prot.

OGGETTO: Dichiarazione del sergente maggiore BUTTARO Antonio relativa all'incidente d'auto del 15/10/44.

Il sottoscritto, Sergente maggiore BUTTARO Antonio cl.1920 distretto militare Potenza, effettivo alla 545 compagnia autonoma, dichiara quanto segue:

Ebbe il permesso dal comandante del reparto di fruire del mezzo inglese messo a disposizione dal comando del quarto ospedale veterinario inglese, per i militari britannici ed italiani per recarsi a diporto a Monterotondo.

Preso posto sull'automezzo, dove vi erano già 3 soldati inglesi e 22 soldati e 2 ufficiali italiani. Partì alla volta di Monterotondo alle ore 18,30 circa, raggiunse la succitata località alle ore 19.

Ripartimmo con lo stesso mezzo alle ore 22. Nel cassone vi erano tutti i nostri uomini compreso il Ten. PORTI comandante del reparto. Il sergente staff, inglese, il quale comandava l'automezzo diede ordine di partire. Dopo alcune centinaia di metri la macchina si fermò per pochi minuti e notai che alcuni soldati inglesi erano saliti sulla macchina. Si ripartì con una discreta velocità. Ma non erano trascorsi neppure cinque minuti che l'automezzo rallentò bruscamente e ci rovesciò sul lato destro. Fu uno dei primi a saltare fuori dal cassone ed aiutare i feriti.

Giunsero sul luogo due macchine alleate sulle quali furono adagiati i militari sinistrati. Una si diresse verso l'ospedale civile di Monterotondo e un'altra verso l'ospedale militare di Roma.

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Il sottoscritto e gli uomini illesi rimasero sul luogo dell'incidente fin quanto non venne una macchina inglese che li riportò al campo.

IL DICHIARANTE

fto. (Serg.Magg. ANTONIO BUTTARO)

Visto
IL COMANDANTE LA COMPAGNIA
fto. Ten.Armando FORTI

545 COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA PER A.A.

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APPENDIX 'D'

STATEMENT BY 1888762 L/ Sgt Humphrey R.C. with regard to accident at Monterotundo on Sunday Oct 15th 44 at approx 2200 hrs which resulted in the death of 5507011 Spr West W.

Sir,

I, No 1888762 L/Sgt Humphrey R.C. in company with Sprs West, Roberts and Bolton were returning from a walk. There was a three ton MD truck stationary on the road, facing the direction we were going. Spr West called out to me that there was a lift to camp, so I walked towards the truck, which had already started to move off, and climbed into the rear of it. The truck gathered speed very quickly, and took the sharp bends in the road at excessive speed. I felt the truck lift off its offside wheels on taking one of these bends. The next thing, the truck turned over on its nearside and we were thrown in a heap on to the grass verge.

Spr. Roberts informed me that Spr West was trapped beneath the truck. I looked round and found that both his legs were trapped beneath the nearside front wing of the lorry. I gathered all the available Italians and lifted the truck onto its four wheels and released Spr West. He was very badly injured, so I stopped a civilian car and transported him to the nearest hospital, which was at Monterotundo.

Sgt Burton came into the hospital and I was moved to the 104 General Hospital, Rome.

Signed R. Humphrey, L/Sgt RE

L/Sgt Humphrey's Unit is 56th, Capua.

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APPENDIX 'E'

WSI/A/104/335

Officer Commanding,
No 4 Veterinary Hospital,
RAVC

Subject: Vehicle - Road Accident

Details required in respect of road accident occasioned by Dodge L.5314598 are given below.

?? CAPT RASC
Officer i/c Workshops,
98 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)

Extent of damage and estimated cost of repair to Dodge L.5314598, towed to this unit for examination and repair 16 Oct 44.

Right hand front wing twisted and damaged
Right hand head lamp smashed
Superstructure twisted and broken
Right hand side board sprained
Radiator cowling and mudwing stay sprained
Right hand door sprained and damaged
Canopy ripped
Windscreens cracked
Right hand body support broken
Top side boards broken

	£	s	d
Estimated cost of material required to replace and repair above	5	0	0
Artificers labour, 30 hours at 1/4d per hour ..	2	0	0
	5	0	0
On-costs at 100%	2	0	0
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	7	0	0

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CAPT., RASC
Workshop Officer, 98 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)

17.10.44

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Subject:- Death out of Hospital 104/3/44

Officer Commanding
104 GHE Works
C.M.F.

3507011 Driver West H. 1 MET Coy RE (deceased)

Herewith report as requested on the above named man who was brought in dead to this Hospital 15 Oct 44.

"I saw Sapper William A. West No. 1 M.E.T. Coy R.E. at the Italian Hospital at Monte Tolundo at 0050 hours on 15 Oct 44. He had sustained a gross compound fracture of the left thigh at the juncture of middle and lower thirds with the limb almost severed at the fracture side, and he had also closed multiple fractures of his right lower limb.

He was extremely shocked and cold, and was unconscious. Blood transfusion was begun but before half a pint had been given he died at 01.20 hours.

CAUSE OF DEATH:- Shock due to multiple injuries of the lower limbs".

Signed GG Crowe Major RAMC
Surgical Specialist
104 Fr General Hospital

(E. PERCY)
Major R.A.M.C.
Registrar 104 British General Hospital

CMF
26 Oct 44

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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO NO: 794 U.S. ARMY

OPINION

A liberty truck ¾ ton Dodge was detailed by Tpt NCO 4 Vet Hosp RAVC to proceed to Monterotundo to collect the leave party.

The truck was driven by Dvr Moss, and the NCO i/c was Sgt Hawcroft. The leave party was collected, and the truck left Monterotundo at 2145 hours. After proceeding for ¼ to ½ of a mile, the truck was halted by 3 British soldiers. The truck stopped and picked up these three, who were presumably Spr West, Spr Roberts and Spr Bolton. The truck had about 30 personnel English and Italian when the 3 Sappers were picked up.

It would appear that no effort was made by Sgt Hawcroft to ensure that the vehicle was not overloaded. No witness can state where Spr West was standing, although 3 British soldiers boarded the truck. It is presumed that they got in the back. I am of opinion that Spr West was not on duty, and he was accidently killed. There is no evidence that he was negligent.

In my opinion insufficient control was exercised over the loading of the vehicle detailed to carry this leave party, and I direct that this receive the attention of OC No 4 Vet Hospital RAVC.

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15 Nov 44

ALBAN LOY
Brigadier
Commander British Troops Rome

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Proceedings of a Court of Inquiry
assembled at Rear HQ No 1 Field Remount Depot
on the 24th October 1944
by order of Brigadier A. Low M.C.
Commander of British Troops Rome
for the purpose of investigating an accident which
occurred to a vehicle of No 4 Veterinary Hospital
RAVC when 5507011 Spr West W was killed 2 Italian
soldiers killed and 18 injured.

PRESIDENT

Major H.B. Morris R.E.

MEMBERS

Capt. D. Smith RAVC
Lt. R.C. Walker RAVC

IN ATTENDANCE.

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The Court having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to take evidence.

1st Witness:- T/248223 Dvr Rose J. RASC attached to 4 Veterinary Hospital RAVC states "At about 1830 hrs on Sunday 15th Oct 1944 I was detailed by L/Cpl Metcalfe, the transport NCO, to take the liberty truck to Monterrotunde village. I left the camp at approx 1830 hrs loaded with British and Italian personnel. I don't know how many there were on the truck when I started off. I took them to the village, they got off and I returned to camp. At approx 2100 hrs I took the truck with Sgt Hawcroft back to the village to collect the liberty party. The party got on the truck and I then proceeded through the village and on the way I stopped to pick up three soldiers. I proceede down the hill and as I turned the bend the truck seemed to sway, the men seemed to move over to one side. The truck started swaying about and I tried to straighten it out but as it went towards the right again it turned over. I then got out of the truck and helped with the injured. The truck was fixed and towed into the ESD yard.

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Questioned by the Court.

1st Q What is the road like and what speed were you travelling at?

A A good surfaced road, sweeping bends not banked. The speedometer was not working but I think I was travelling round about 15 m.p.h.

2nd Q Was there any other traffic on the road?

A. No.

3rd Q What was the weather like?

A. Dry but misty.

4th Q How many people on the truck when you left Montecorvino?

A. I do not know exactly but I think I picked the same number up as I took down.

5th Q Do you know who was in charge of the truck?

A. Sgt Howcroft was sitting beside me at the time of the accident and S/Sgt Coltman was in the back of the truck. I do not know who was in charge of the truck.

6th Q What type of truck was it?

A. A 3 ton Dodge converted for carrying animals.

7th Q What is the number of the truck?

A. L 5314598.

8th Q Had you a work ticket for the journey? 3744

A. Yes (produced to Court)

9th Q How far had you travelled since picking up the men till the time of the accident?

A. 5 or 6 miles.

10th Q What time did the accident occur?

A. Between 2200 hrs and 2230 hrs.

11th Q Where was Sgt Frost riding on the truck?

A. On the back of the truck.

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12th Q What time did you leave Monterotundo

A. Approx 2200 hrs.

J. Rosa T/248228

2nd Witness: 328404 S/Sgt Coltman P. RAVC of No 4 Veterinary Hospital RAVC states:-

"On Sunday evening 15th Oct 1944 I went to Passo Corese village. I then decided to go to Monterotundo where I knew I should get a lift back to camp. I arrived at Monterotundo as the vehicle was about to move off. I got in the truck, and the truck moved off. The next I knew was when the truck overturned whilst going round a bend. I was not injured and went for assistance to the MSD and returned with a lorry. I took the injured to Monterotundo Civilian Hospital, whilst I had been away another lorry had taken some injured to Rome".

Questioned by the Court.

1st Q What time did you get to Monterrotundo?

A. Approx 2145 hrs

2nd Q How many people were there on the truck?

A. I do not know it was pitch dark but there appeared to be plenty of room.

3rd Q Did anyone get on the truck after you?

A. I cannot remember anyone else getting in.

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4th Q Did the truck stop to pick anyone up after you got on?

A. I do not recall the truck stopping again.

5th Q Did the truck stop to pick you up or were you at the meeting place?

A. I was at the meeting place.

6th Q Was it an orderly crowd in the back of the truck?

A. There was singing but no undue disturbance.

7th Q Who was in charge of the truck?

A. Sgt Hawcroft left the camp with the truck, he was sitting in front and I presumed he was in charge.

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8th Q Do you know what time the accident occurred?

A. Approx 10 minutes after I got in the truck.

9th Q How far from Monterotundo to the scene of the accident?

A. About ¼ of a mile.

10th Q What speed do you consider the vehicle was going?

A. I should estimate it at 20 m.p.h.

11th Q What was the weather like?

A. Fine and clear.

12th Q Did there appear to be any defect in the riding of the truck?

A. At the time everything appeared satisfactory.

P. Coltman S/Sgt 328404

3rd Witness: 7757936 Sgt Hawcroft T. RAVC of No 4 Veterinary Hospital RAVC states:- 3742

"I accompanied Dvr Ross on the truck to pick up the liberty party leaving the camp at approx 2105 hrs on 15th Oct 44.

We went to the place where Dvr Ross had previously taken the liberty party in Monterotundo. I stood by the cab and the Italian Officer reported all his men aboard and I ascertained all British Ranks were on as well. We set off back about 2145 hrs and after proceeding about ¼ to ½ a mile to the outskirts of the village, we were hailed by 3 soldiers for a lift down the hill. We stopped and they got aboard. There was a shout of all clear and we drove on. We continued down the hill round two or three bends; I noticed nothing unusual until round a bend to the left, the truck turned over on it's right side. I scrambled out of the cab and gave Dvr Ross a hand to get out. I then located S/Sgt Coltman who went for assistance and we in the meantime got the truck back on it's wheels. I then attended to the injured and when S/Sgt Coltman arrived with a vehicle he took them away. I saw the damaged truck put into the E3D yard and was given a lift back to camp."

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Questioned by the Court.

1st Q What made you certain of the time you left camp?

A. I had just heard the 2100 hrs News.

2nd Q Had you seen Dvr Ross during the evening?

A. No.

3rd Q Was Dvr Ross in your opinion sober?

A. Yes.

4th Q Had you anything to drink during the evening?

A. I had a glass of Whisky at about 1845 hours.

5th Q Was the liberty party orderly or slightly inebriated when the got on the truck at Monterotundo?

A. Slightly inebriated, it was orderly but noisy.

6th Q How many people were there on the truck when it left Monterotundo?

A. I do not know.

7th Q How many B. ORs on the truck?

A. About 7 or 8 in the back and the driver and myself in front.

8th Q How many did you pick up on route? 3741

A. Three.

9th Q Where did these three travel on the truck?

A. As far as I know they travelled in the back.

10th Q Did you actually stop to pick these people up?

A. Yes.

11th Q What sort of a night was it?

A. Slightly misty but dry.

12th Q What do you estimate the speed of the truck at the time of the accident?

A. About 15 to 20 m.p.h.

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13th Q Was there any other traffic on the road?

A. No.

14th Q The three picked up were British?

A. They looked British and spoke in English.

15th Q Did there appear to be a mechanical defect in the riding of the truck?

A. This truck always aways there didn't seem anything out of the ordinary.

16th Q What time do you think the accident occurred?

A. At approx 2210 hrs.

17th Q How far had you travelled from Monterotundo to the scene of the accident?

A. Approx 3 miles.

T. Hawcroft Sgt 7707956

4th Witness

Statement on the accident by Ten. Forte Armando produced (attached to proceedings)

Questioned by Court on same.

1st Q How many of your men on the lorry were injured? 3740

A. 2 officers and 5 men.

2nd Q How fast was the truck going at the time of the accident?

A. I think the vehicle was going at normal speed.

3rd Q Were the men in the back of the truck behaving orderly?

A. Yes.

4th Q Did the truck stop and pick up some soldiers after leaving Monterotundo?

A. Yes. the truck stopped after a few hundred metres and picked up 3 soldiers who got in the back. I could not say if any got on the front because of the canopy.

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5th Q Where was the British Soldier under the truck, the one who was killed?

A. The British Soldier who was killed was trapped under the nearside front step.

6th Q Were the Italian Soldiers who died from these injuries found inside the truck after the accident?

A. Both inside.

7th Q Did you see anyone else outside the truck who might have been thrown there by the accident?

A. No except the one British Soldier who was killed.

8th Q What time did they leave Monterotundo?

A. At 2200 hrs.

9th Q What time did the accident occur?

A. At 2210 hrs.

10th Q What is the distance from Monterotundo to the scene of the accident?

A. About 3 Kilometres

11th Q Were there any witnesses Civilian or otherwise?

A. No not to my knowledge.

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Certified the above answers are true interpretations of the statements made by Ten. Forte Armando.

Alberto Modi'a-no Ten. Forte Armando

5th Witness

Statement on the accident by Sgt Major Antonio Buttoro (attached to proceedings).

Questioned by the Court on same.

1st Q How many men were there on the lorry when it started from Monterotundo?

A. In the back 23 Italian Soldiers, 2 Italian Officers and 5 British Soldiers.

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2nd Q How many did they pick up on the road?

A. The truck stopped but I do not know how many got in.

3rd Q How fast was the truck travelling at the time of the accident?

A. 20 to 25 m.p.h.

4th Q What were the men behaving like in the back of the truck?

A. The men were standing up, behaving in an orderly manner but they swayed from side to side due to the turning of the corners.

5th Q Where was the British Soldier after the accident, the one who was killed?

A. Under the cab on the near side.

6th Q Were there anybody else knocked out of the truck after the accident?

A. Nobody.

7th Q What time did the truck leave Monterotundo

A. About 0830 hrs.

8th Q What time did the accident happen?

A. 10 minutes afterwards.

9th Q How far from Monterotundo to the scene of the accident?

A. 2 Kilometres approx.

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Certific the above answers are true interpretations of the statements made by Sgt Major Antonio Buttaro.

Alberto Medi'a-no

Antonio Buttaro

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5th Witness: 2148381 Spr Bolton W. of 861 Mech Equip Coy RE states:-

"On the night 15th Oct 44 I along with L/Sgt Humphreys, Spr Roberts and Spr West were walking from Monterotundo back to our billets when a truck overtook us. We stopped it and asked for a lift. I and Spr Roberts climbed into the back. I don't know what happened to Spr West or L/Sgt Humphreys The next thing I remember was the truck tipping over and I was thrown onto the bank. Spr Roberts found Spr West and called for assistance. Spr West was pinned with his legs underneath the body and his head alongside the cab. We lifted the wagon off Spr West, stopped a taxi and sent him to Monterotundo hospital".

Questioned by the Court.

1st Q Had your party been drinking?

A. Yes but Spr Roberts had had only one glass.

2nd Q What speed was the vehicle doing?

A About 15 to 20 m.p.h.

W. Bolton Spr 2148381

7th Witness: 14244033 Spr Roberts G. of 861 Mech Equip Coy RE states:-

"On the night of 15th Oct 1944 I was out with Spr Bolton, Sgt Humphreys and Spr West in a Vino shop in Monterotundo, on coming out we stopped a passing truck for a lift down the hill. I was the last to get aboard and sat on the back seat; As far as I know Spr West and Sgt Humphreys got on the truck before me. The truck moved off, on the first corner it swayed over and on the next it turned over completely. I was thrown on to the bank. I shouted to the others, all were all right except Spr West who answered "Roberts my legs". We lifted the truck off him and his legs were under the body with his head alongside the cab. We stopped a car and took him to hospital at Monterotundo".

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Questioned by the Court:

1st Q How fast was the vehicle going at the time of the accident?

A 15 to 20 m.p.h.

2nd Q Can you give any explanation as to why Sapper West was under the front of the truck?

A No but when I saw the truck next morning both back and front ends were open.

G Roberts Spr 14244033

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5th Witness: 7758194 Pte Mc Dermont W. of No 4 Veterinary Hospital st tosf-

"I was standing at the back of the truck conveying the liberty party back to camp from Monterotundo. We stopped to pick up some British Soldiers, and I felt two brush past me and two sit on the tail board."

Questioned by the Court:

1st Q Can you offer any reason why Spr West was pinned beneath the front of the truck?

A. No except the front of the truck was open.

2nd Q What speed was the truck going at?

A. I can't estimate the speed but it seemed safe.

W. McDermont 7758194

T/243228 Dvr Ross J. recalled:

1st Q Was there anyone riding on the right hand step of the truck?

A. No.

2nd Q On the other step or wing, on the back of the cab?

A. No.

3rd Q Did anyone scramble up between the cab and body.

A. No.

4th Q Was the front of the truck open.

A. Yes.

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J. Ross T/243228

7757939 Sgt Haworth T. recalled:

1st Q Was there anyone on the steps of the truck?

A. No.

2nd Q Was there anyone on the wing or back of the cab?

A. No one visible to me.

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3rd Q. Did anyone scramble up between the cab and the body?

A. No.

4th Q. Was the front of the truck open?

A. Yes.

T. Hawcroft Sgt. 7757936

The Court visited the scene of the accident and record the following details:-

(a) Carriageway (i) 16 ft. (ii) Cambered (iii) Good Surface.

(b) Accident occurred on a straight portion of road halfway between two bends.

(c) Distance from Monterotundo to the scene of the accident 1½ miles

President: R.B. MORRIS Major RE Members { Basil Smith Capt RAVC
{ H.C. Walker Lt RAVC

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APPENDIX E).

COMMAND 545 AUTONOMOUS COMPANY
General Services for A.A.

No.03/258/7 PM.151
18 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report on motor-car accident.

TO: Command FF. AA. Lazio Abruzzi & Umbria
Direction of General affairs
R O M E

Territorial Command of the Military Tribunal of Rome
R O M E

and for information:

Command of Depot 140 Infantry Regt
L E C C E

I undersigned, Lt of Inf in R.E.A. PONZI Armando, of John and of Lavinia Penna, born in Venice 17 May 1911, qualified Commandant of 545 Autonomous Coy depending from 4 British Veterinary Hospital located at Passo Corese (Canale Nuovo ROME), was on the motor-car during the accident mentioned above, I beg to refer the following:

On 15 Oct 44 at 1830 hrs the Br Dodge motor-car 3 tons capacity No.L.3314593S registration, left Canale Nuovo for Monterotondo with 23 Italian soldiers, under-officers and tps, two officers also Italians, and 5 British militaries not better identified belonging to 4 Br Vet Hosp.

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The two Italian offrs were: I and Lt Burlizzi Vincentonio, of John, class 1916, Lecce District and effective to my Section.

Such vehicle had some time back been put at the disposal by the Br Hosp Command in order to carry during their free hours on Sunday afternoons Br and Italian soldiers to Monterotondo which is the nearest inhabited centre offering some recreation.

When we arrived on the square of Monterotondo I enquired and learnt of the British driver that the return to the Camp had been fixed for 2200 hrs, and I communicated this to my soldiers telling

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I undersigned, Lt of Inf in S.F.S. PORTI Armando, of John and of Lavinia Penna, born in Venice 17 May 1911, qualified Commandant of 949 Autonomous Coy depending from 4 British Veterinary Hospital located at Passo Corese (Casale Nuovo ROME), was on the motor-car during the accident mentioned above, I beg to refer the following:

On 15 Oct 44 at 1930 hrs the Br Dodge motor-car 3 tons capacity No.L.5314993? registration, left Casale Nuovo for Monterotondo with 33 Italian soldiers, under-officers and tps, two officers also Italians, and 3 British militaries not better identified belonging to 4 Br Vet Hosp.

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The two Italian offrs were: I and Lt Burlizzi Vivantonio, of John, class 1915, Lecce District and effective to my Section.

Such vehicle had some time back been put at the disposal by the Br Hosp Comand in order to carry during their free hours on Sunday afternoons Br and Italian soldiers to Monterotondo which is the nearest inhabited centre offering some recreation.

When we arrived on the square of Monterotondo I enquired and learnt of the British driver that the return to the Camp had been fixed for 2200 hrs, and I communicated this to my soldiers telling them to be punctual for that time. After this, I let them free.

At 2150 hrs together with Lt Burlizzi I was on the square, I controlled that all my men were present and the Br Staff Sgt, after my declaration that they were all on board, gave the order to start.

It was about 2200 hrs.

Indistinctly all the Italian soldiers, and I as well, had taken place on the body, in the driving cabins in front were the driver and a sgt both British. After a few hundred metres the vehicle stopped, and as I was sitting on a small bench in the interior and the body of the vehicle was covered by a tent, I enquired and learnt from those who were staying in front of me that three Br soldiers not belonging to our Hospital had climbed in.

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The vehicle then proceeded on. I could not realise the speed due to the position in which I was, only noticed the curves of the road by the waving of the men who were almost all standing.

Suddenly in a curve the vehicle disbanded frightfully and overturned on its right side.

It was about 2210 hrs. The spot where the accident occurred is about 500 metres distant from the level crossing of Monterotondo railway dock, and about 600 from Via Salaria.

I ignore the real cause which determined the grave accident because I was not on the front side with the driver. From the little that I have been able to learn from the British, due to their discretion, and my considerations, I believe that the driver did not take too properly the curve when turning to the left and that the weight of the persons, who gravitated on the right, caused the capsizing of the vehicle.

To my opinion the speed could not be excessive. It does not result to me that there were holes in the tyres nor that the driver had tried to cross or to surpass other vehicles.

I was one of the first ones to come out and soon after together with Lt Burlizzi and others who had remained unhurt, I endeavoured to assist the wounded. After a few minutes two allied vehicles came on the spot and took on board the wounded, after which one vehicle went to Monterotondo Civil Hospital with Lt Burlizzi, and the other with Sgt Di Blasio, who had taken charge of the wounded, went to Rome Hospital. On this vehicle two British militaries were also and they were brought to their Hospital in Rome.

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Among the wounded there was also an Italian engineer, by name Derb Luigi, (father's name unprecised) class 1913, Military District of Legnago and effective to II platoon 2nd Coy 28 Bn Artisans, Mil. P.O.185, Section depending from 829 Coy Br R.E. and actually dislocated at Casale Nuovo, near my Coy. From information gathered by me, it results that this soldier in the afternoon of same day had gone walking from his camp to Monterotondo and in the evening, without asking anybody's authority, taking advantage of the darkness had climbed up in our vehicle in order to return to his Section.

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After vehicles had left for the Hospitals, I endeavoured to obtain through a Br military a vehicle from the Br R.E. neighbouring camp and in fact after half an hour this came and I re-entered to the camp with all the unhurt militaries.

On the 15th morning I went to the hospitals to ascertain the state of health of the personnel.

Italian militaries died by wounds, 2, wounded 17.

British militaries died 1, wounded 3.

The following Italian militaries have been received by the Hospitals of Rome and of Monterotondo:

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CIVIL HOSPITAL OF MONTEROTONDO

1.	Cl.1917	Fante	Macchiarelli Antonio	di Vincenzo	Distr. Mil.	Salerno
2.	1924	"	Villani Vincenzo	fu Vincenzo	"	Lecce
3.	1923	"	Comini Fiorino	di Daniele	"	Brescia
4.	1924	Cap.	Lecci Egidio	di Silvestro	"	Lecce
5.	1919	Cap.Magg.	Mantovani Eugenio	di Attilio	"	Modena
6.	1920	Serg.	Rinaldetti Luigi	di Francesco	"	Treviso
(1) 7.	1921	Fante	Centonze Carmelo	di Alberto	"	Lecce

"MOUNT GRAPPA" MILITARY HOSPITAL OF ROME

8.	Cl.1924	Fante	Paradiso Matteo	di Michele	"	Potenza
9.	1924	"	D'Angelo Michele	di Celestino	"	Potenza
10.	1923	"	Trovato Giuseppe	di Enrico	"	Catania
11.	1923	"	Bonora Mario	di Enrico	"	Ferrara
12.	1924	"	Cuppone Cosimo	di Angelo	"	Lecce
13.	1922	"	Manitello Nicola	fu Rocco	"	Lecce
14.	1922	Cap.Magg.	Vincenti Salvatore	di Michelangelo	"	Lecce
15.	1924	Fante	De Franco Vincenzo	di Antonio	"	Palermo
16.	1923	"	Di Bartolomeo Luigi	di Antonio	"	Barletta
17.	1924	"	Buccarello Pompeo	di Domenico	"	Lecce
(2) 18.	1923	"	Dell'Olio Donato	di Mauro	"	Barletta
19.	1919	Geniere	Darè Luigi	.....	"	Legnago

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(1) Soldier CENTONZE Carmelo, of Alberto and of Mary Amato, born 10-7-21 at San Pietro in Lama (Lecce) resident Via G. Garibaldi No.42, died during transportation to Monterotondo Hospital due to his serious wounds.

(2) Soldier DELL'OLIO Donato, of Mauro and late Silvia Cosmai, born 6-9-23 at Bisceglie (Bari) resident in Via Francesco Veneziano No.21 Bisceglie, died on 15th of current month at "Monte Grappa" Military Hospital in Rome, due to internal hemorrhage and abdominal thoracic contusion.

The conditions of health of the other patients as at to-day are generally good, with the exception of soldier MACCHIARELLI Antonio who is still in life danger.

Ref. it SCATI ARMIO

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15.	1924	Fante	De Franco Vincenzo	di Antonio	"	Palermo
16.	1923	"	Di Bartolomeo Luigi	di Antonio	"	Barletta
17.	1924	"	Buccarello Pompeo	di Domenico	"	Lecce
(2)18.	1921	"	Dell'Olio Donato	di Mauro	"	Barletta
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Sgd. Lt FORTI ARMANDO
Commander of the Company

545 Autonomous Coy for A.A.

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Translation
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ALLEGATO C).

545 AUTONOMOUS COMPANY COMMAND
for general services for AA.

File No.03/230/2

SUBJECT: Declaration by Sgt Maj BUTTARO Antonio in connection with the motor-car accident of 15-10-44.

I undersigned, Sgt Maj BUTTARO Antonio, class 1910, Military District of Potenza, effective of 545 Autonomous Coy, declare the following:

I had permission from the Sectn Comdt to use the means put at by the British at the disposal of the Command 4th Br Vet Hosp for british and italian militaries to go to Monterotondo on recreation.

I took place on the vehicle, on board of which were already 3 British and 22 Italian soldiers and 2 Italian offrs. The car left for Monterotondo at about 1830 hrs and arrived there at 1900 hrs.

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By the same vehicle we left Monterotondo at 2200 hrs. In the body of the car were all our men including Lt FORTI Comdt of the Sectn. The British Staff Sgt, who was in charge of the vehicle, gave orders for the departure. After some hundred metres the car stopped for a few minutes and I noticed that a few British soldiers had jumped in the car. The car left again with a moderate speed. But after not even five minutes the vehicle abruptly relented/ and upset us on the right side. I was one of the first ones who jumped out of the car and aided the wounded.

On the spot two Allied cars arrived and the wounded soldiers were placed in them. One of the cars went to Monterotondo Civil Hosp and the other proceeded towards Rome Mil Hosp.

The undersigned and the personnel unhurt remained/ on the spot of the accident until a British car came and took us to the/

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Sgd. Sgt Maj Antonio BUTTARO

Secn:
the Coy Comdt
a.d.Lt Armando FORTI
345 Autonomous Coy for M.P.

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Reports.

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
207 Sub Area.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
16 Nov 44.

AQ/6

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

17/11

Attached T.V.'s are forwarded for your information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 207 Sub Area.
(H.R.Denton).

Sec. K
L.O.

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SUBJECT: Discipline - Traffic Accident Reports.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
44/6
6 November 1944

TO: H.Q. 3 Dist.
C.M.P.

1. C.M.P. reports concerning traffic offences committed by Italian Military Personnel are being received at this H.Q from Provost H.Q. 64 Garrison.

2. It is requested that such reports be forwarded via your H.Q., where MMIA L.O., in most cases, will be able to redirect the reports to the Italian Unit concerned, thus avoiding delay.

3. The attached report is returned herewith, as it has not been possible to identify the Unit shown as 44 Coy T.R.T. Italian.

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CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

SPA/ri
Copy to: MMIA LO H.Q 3 Dist.

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Subject: Court of Enquiry

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

ROME
AQ/6

16 November 44

Ministry of War

1. It has been reported that an explosion occurred at GAETA on 6 Nov in which four Italian soldiers of 561 Rastrellamento Mine Coy were killed.

2. Will you please arrange for a Court of Enquiry to be held as soon as possible to enquire into the cause of the accident.

3. Please inform this HQ of the time and place of the Court of Enquiry as it is desired that an Allied Officer should attend.

S P Archer Capt 3728

S.P. ARCHER Capt
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

MP/jrp

Copy to: ADMINISTRATIVE SEC A.C. REGION IV
RF MMIA

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SUBJECT: Discipline Italian Military Personnel

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AG/6
16 November 1944

TO: O.C 1st. Truck Bn.
2675 Regt.
H.Q. A.C.

1. The attached C.M.P. report is forwarded in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

S.P. Archer, Capt.

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

SPA/ri

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Subject:- Accident Report.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 64 Garrison.
Ref:Pro:17.
15 Nov 44.

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To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

AQ/6.

17/4

Attached Military Police Accident Report and Statement is forwarded for information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

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Subject:- Traffic Violation deports.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 64 Garrison.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
15 Nov 44.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

Attached T.V.Rexnare forwarded for information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

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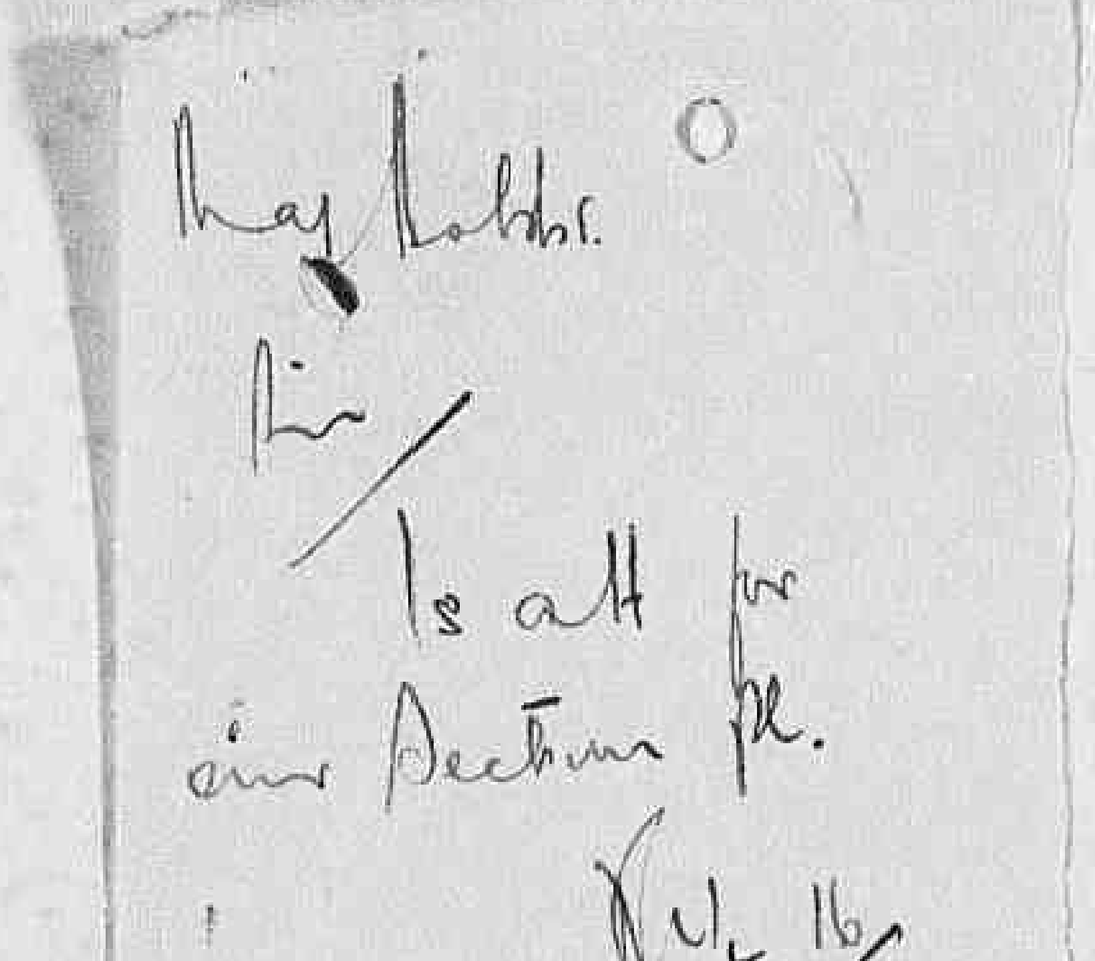

Thank Lobster.

Sir

Is all for
our Section pl.

Yours 16/11

Pass to AQ
WP

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377/2

Subject:- Ford Lorry No L 5686929

AQ/6

50 British Liaison Unit.
A/6/15
14. Nov 44.

M.M.I.A.
ROME.

No/11

Attached please find documents giving results of Court of Inquiry into the loss of the above mentioned lorry.

The documents comprise:-

(a) Sheets 1 & 2 Constitution of Court.

(b) " 3,4 & 5 Statements by drivers.

(c) " 6 Punishments inflicted by HQ Tpt Coy.

It is understood that MMIA wish to present these documents to the Ministry of War in order to secure reimbursement for the lost lorry.

Lorry not in parts when see SPH

M. Zuckerman

A/DAAG for,
Lt Col,
GS.

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COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "Friuli"
Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore
Sez. 2ª - Personale e Segreteria

N.9662/PS di prot. P.M.79, lì 4 novemembre 1944

OGGETTO: nomina di una commissione.-

Sig. Maggiore FIELDMAN

B.L.U. 50

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In seguito alla comunicazione del 50 B.L.U. di cui al foglio Ref. A/6/14 del 28 ottobre u.s. sono stati chiamati a far parte, assieme con la S.V., della Commissione d'inchiesta per la perdita dell'autocarro da 3 Ton. n. 5686979, il Maggiore PIERONI Agostino e il Capitano CELLUCCI Riccardo.

La S.V. é pregata di voler fissare il luogo e la data per la prima riunione della Commissione.-

d'ordine
IL TEN. COL. DI S.M. CAPO DI S.M.
- G. Vedovato -

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Subject : Court of Inqui[illegible].

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref A/G/14.

Caro di S.M.

28 Oct. 44.

Please arrange to hold a Court of Inquiry into the loss of Lorry 3 Ton G.S. W.D. No. 5686979.

Since the vehicle is British Army property, Major Fieldman has been nominated to sit on the Court as a British representative. Please inform him of the place and time at which the Court will sit.

The proceedings when complete should be submitted to this Unit in quadruplicate.

Maj. RM.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.

C.M.P.
PGRV/Ldn.

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(3)

Il sottoscritto Sergente Maggiore FERRINI Guerriero - dell'Ufficio Stralcio 387° Reggimento Fanteria - incaricato del ritiro di fusti vuoti per benzina presso il Deposito Carburanti e Lubrificanti del Presidio Militare di Salerno, rende noto quanto segue:

"" Partito da S.Giorgio del Sannio il mattino del giorno 8 corr. ad ore 8 con n. 3 autocarri FORD I forniti dalla Compagnia Trasporti

I° - Targa L. 5686929 - autiere GULIADA Adriano ;
II° - " L. 5686963 - " BRESCIANINI Giuseppe;
III° - " L. 5687243 - " CANTALAMESSA Giulio,

giunto nelle vicinanze di Napoli per un guasto al 2° autocarro fu costretto a farlo rimorschiare fino alla città onde procedere alla riparazione.

Ad avvenuta riparazione - ore 17?30 dello stesso giorno- ritenendo impossibile raggiungere Salerno con la luce del giorno, fece sostare gli autocarri nel parcheggio - sorvegliato da sentinella - sito in Napoli -Piazza Plebiscito.

Successivamente il sottoscritto - lasciando le macchine in consegna agli autieri, andò a pranzo.

Al suo ritorno l'autiere GULIADA Adriano gli fece presente che [redacted] aveva approfittato per andare a mangiare ed al ritorno aveva trovato mancante la propria macchina - Targata L. 5686929.

Immediatamente denunciò la sparizione alla Polizia Americana di Napoli dando tutti i necessari dati per il rintraccio.

La stessa Polizia ha assicurata dell'immediato inizio delle ricerche e che non appena l'autocarro sarà rintracciato darà immediato avviso al Comando della Compagnia Trasporti.

Ho fatto pure presente il fatto all'Ufficiale Italiano di Collegamento con la Polizia Americana ricevendo l'assicurazione che lo stesso renderà edotto il Comando Compagnia Trasporti dell'esito delle ricerche.

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P.M.72, lì 10 ottobre 1944

Serg.Magg. Guerriero Fermini

Ser. Magg. [illegible]

Copiato. = 10 S.S. e 10 S.R. furono punizione di rimprovero
dovra allontanarsi
dovra consumare
= 15 C.P.S. e 30 C.P.R. per andare a mangiare, una
ritiro patente e trasferimento all'ordine 31° [illegible]
[illegible]

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(4)

Il sottoscritto Antiero Carolamesse Giulio fu Florindo e di Imperiale Maria Concetta – Classe 1921 – nato a Roma quale conduttore dell'autocarro Ford L. 5687243 in merito all'avvenuto smarrimento dell'autocarro Ford. L. 5686929 consegnato dall'autiere Guglielmo Adriano, riferisce quanto segue:

Il giorno 12 ottobre u.s. mi sono recato a Napoli per servizio insieme ad altri 2 autocarri tra i quali il Ford. L. 5686929, guidato dall'autiere Guglielmo Adriano. Alle ore 16 circa del Serg. Magg. Ferrini Guerrino comandante dell'autocolonna fu deciso di sostare a Napoli e pertanto gli autocarri furono portati al parcheggio di Piazza Plebiscito, custodito e sorvegliato da militari alleati di colore e qui fu stabilito che il sottoscritto sarebbe rimasto sul posto a guardia degli automezzi mentre il sottoscritto con gli altri 2 autieri si sarebbero allontanati per recarsi a consumare il rancio.- Uno degli autieri appena tornato di mangiare sarebbe dovuto venire a darmi il cambio.-

Dopo pochi minuti che il sottoscritto ed i miei compagni si erano allontanati si è avvicinato a me il militare alleato di sentinella e mi ha fatto capire che la guardia agli automezzi la faceva lui ed io potevo andar via.- ciò stante il sottoscritto pensò di raggiungere i compagni e con loro si trattenne a mangiare per circa un ora e mezzo.- Al ritorno nel parcheggio dove insieme constatammo che l'autocarro Ford. L. 5686929 non era più sul posto.- furono subito effettuate ricerche nell'interno del parcheggio e presso il corpo di guardia ma di esso ma invano.- Ci siamo quindi recati al Comando della Polizia Alleata nei pressi della Prefettura dove il Serg. Magg. ha denunciato il fatto all'Ufficiale italiano addetto il quale ha assicurato di interessarsi della cosa.- D'indomani al ritorno da Salerno il Serg. Magg. mi passava un foglio ufficiale ma nulla ancora era stato rinvenuto.-

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deciso di sostare a Napoli e pervanto gli autocarri furono portati al parcheggio di Piazza Plebiscito, custodito e sorvegliato da militari alleati di colore e qui fu stabilito che il sottoscritto sarebbe rimasto sul posto a guardia degli automezzi mentre il sottufficiale con gli altri 2 autieri si sarebbero allontanati per recarsi a consumare il rancio.- Uno degli autieri appena finito di mangiare sarebbe dovuto venire a darmi il cambio.-

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P.M. 75, 11, 11 ottobre 1944

Autiere CANTALAMESSA Ennio

COMPAGNIA [illegible] D.I.F. "FRIULI"

COMANDO

Visto Il Comandante la Compagnia

(Magg. Agostino [illegible])

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(5)

Il sottoscritto Autiere ANGELANTONI Giuseppe, di Giovanni e di Rossa Marcella, della classe 1921, nato a Gerivolta (Cremona) quale conduttore dell'autocarro Fiat 626929, in merito all'avvenuto smarrimento dell'autocarro Fiat 626929 condotto dall'Autiere Guglielmo Adriano, riferisce quanto segue :

Il giorno 12 Ott. u.s. mi sono recato a Napoli per servizio insieme ad altri due autocarri, tra i quali il Fiat 626929 guidato dall'Autiere Guglielmo Adriano. Alle ore 10 circa, avendo ultimato il servizio a Napoli ed essendo troppo tardi per accingersi a proseguire per Salerno dove dovevamo svolgere altri servizi, il Serg.Magg. Ferrieri Guerriero che comandava la colonna decise di pernottare a Napoli, parcheggiando gli automezzi in Piazza Plebiscito, nel parcheggio custodito e sorvegliato da militari alleati. Allo scopo di avviarmi per recarmi a consumare il rancio, l'Autiere Cantalamessa Guido, conduttore di uno dei tre autocarri rimase sul posto, mentre il sottoscritto, assieme al Sergente Maggiore e all'Autiere Guglielmo ci siamo allontanati per circa ~~mezz'ora~~ un'ora.

Dopo circa mezz'ora che eravamo in un ristorante ci ha raggiunto l'Autiere Cantalamessa. Dopo circa altra mezz'ora siamo tornati tutti all'autoparco e qui abbiamo constatato che l'autocarro Fiat 626929 non era più sul posto. Il Sergente Maggiore e l'Autiere Guglielmo hanno subito intrapreso le ricerche, denunciando la scomparsa alla polizia inglese.

F.to: 13,10 Novembre 19++

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COMPAGNIA TRASPORTI E RIF. "FRIULI"

COMANDO

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dagliada ci siamo ulteriormente per circa [illegible]
Dopo circa mezzora che eravamo in un ristorante ci ha passato l'autoveicolo sul quale abbiamo constatato che l'autocarro fino [illegible] era fermo in sua posto. Il Sergente maggiore e l'autore dagliada hanno subito impresso la direzione, dirigendosi la seconda alla volta di Tolmezzo.

F.M. 15,20 Novembre 1944

3.19

COMPAGNIA TRASPORTI E RIF. "FRIULI"

COMANDO

Visto Il Comandante la Compagnie
(Magg. Agostino Pieroni)

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D/d.

(b)

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "Friuli"
Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore
Uff. 2° - Personale e Segreteria

N. 8700/PS. di prot. P.M. 79, li 12 Ottobre 1944.

OGGETTO : Smarrimento di un autocarro.-

AL COMANDO COMPAGNIA TRASPORTI E RIFORNIMENTI P. M. 79
- rif.f.n. 323 del 10 corr. -

Con riferimento al foglio sopraindicato si comunica che il Sig. Generale Comandante ha inflitto ai sottonotati militari le punizioni per ciascuno indicate :

- Serg.magg. FERRINI Guerriero - giorni 10 S.P.S. e 10 S.P.R. per il seguente motivo :

"" Comandante di un nucleo di autocarri, durante una sosta se ne allontanava per fare colazione. Di ciò approfitteva il personale dipendente per lasciare incustodite le macchine, una delle quali veniva sottratta"";

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- autiere GUGLIADA Adriano - gg.15 C.P.R. e 30 C.P.S. per il seguente motivo :

"" Conduttore di un autocarro, durante una sosta lo lasciava incustodito di che veniva sottratto da ignoti"".

L'autiere GUGLIADA dovrà essere inoltre trasferito al Deposito del 31° rgt.ftr. previo il ritiro della patente.-

Le anzidette punizioni non escludono i provvedimenti amministrativi che saranno adottati nei riguardi dei militari se l'autocarro non verrà rintracciato.-

Pregasi provvedere agli incombenti di competenza.-

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seguente motivo :

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Pregasi provvedere agli incombenti di competenza.-

d'ordine

IL TEN. COL. CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
- Luigi Petrucci -

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(R. 1881 - Anno X)

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STRADE FERRATE ITALIANE

Militari del R. Esercito e impiegati ed agenti civili dell'amministrazione militare

Libretto N. (1) [redacted]

Scontrino ..... *Classe 1ª*

per .....

.....

Bollo della stazione di partenza.

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GAETA - TIP. STABIL. MILITARI DI PENA

Circolare 210 del *Giornale Militare* 19[illegible]

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HQ ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No.794, US Army

AQ/6M Ref: 9A

14 Nov 44

15/11

Subject:- Discipline - Italian Soldier

MMIA,
Allied Commission

Ref the attached CMP report of an incident in which an Italian soldier, Cpl DONA PIETRO, is alleged to have struck two British officers.

It will be appreciated if you will ascertain what disciplinary action has been taken in this matter and advise this HQ.

3/17

A.L. LOUDEN
Major
for Brigadier
Commander British Troops Rome

BVW/rw

1st Trouble for the armed British Military Police in Rome 17/11

See folio 369+377
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C O P Y

R E P O R T 111/PRO/3c/2340

To: O.C., 111 PROVOST COMPANY.

Sir,

I have to report that at ROME on the 8th Nov 44 at about 2315 hrs. I was on duty in CORSO UMBERTO accompanied by 7690777 L/Cpl. G. HELLIWELL, 111 PROVOST COMPANY, when CAPT. ADAMS, 12th ROYAL TANK REGT., at present with the N° 10 BRITISH CONVALESCENT DEPOT, approached me and requested me to accompany him to an Italian truck, which was parked in PIAZZA COLONNA. He said that there was an ITALIAN SOLDIER in the rear of this vehicle, who had struck him on the face and knocked him down. Lt. WALTERS, 2nd Bn. THE RIFLE BRIGADE, at present with N° 10 BRITISH CONVALESCENT DEPOT, who was present at the time, and said that he had also been struck by the Italian soldier, whom he recognised as Cpl. DONA PIETRO, COMANDO, 9, REPARTO D'ASSALTO, 4 COMPAGNIA, 1° BTG. AUTOCAMIONISTI, 2675 RGT. A.C.C. ST.PAULS, near ROME.

I arrested the Cpl. DONA PIETRO and asked the officers to accompany me to the OLD QUESTURA POLICE STATION, where I obtained statement from the officers, which are attached. I asked, (through the interpreter) if the ITALIAN SOLDIER whished to make a statement, and the reply was: "I cannot, as I know nothing about the incident."

I handed Cpl. DONA PIETRO over to the N.C.O. i/c CARABINIERI DETACHMENT to be detained and obtained a BODY RECEIPT, which is attached.

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ROME
8th November 1944

3315714 A. Hinchelwood L/Cpl.
111 PROVOST COMPANY.

ATTACHMENTS: Two (2) statements.
One (1) Body receipt.
CARABINIERI REPORT.

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C O P Y

STATEMENT MADE BY: Lt. W.D.F. WALTERS, 2nd Bn.
THE RIFLE BRIGADE.

At approximately 2315 hrs. on Wednesday 8th Nov. 1944, whilst with Capt. ADAMS attempting to get a lift to N° 10 (Br.) Con. Depot, I was a few yards behind Capt. Adams as he approached several people around an AMERICAN TRUCK, when I saw him struck down onto the pavement. I approached his assailant and asked him what he was about, when I was struck on the side of the face. There being too many people about I waited till he climbed on board a truck, then attempted to find some Military Police, the Italians who were around said that the man was drunk. Shortly afterwards two (2) M.P.s arrived and the truck was driven to a Police Station, where the case was taken ~~down~~ over.

signed: W.D.F. Walters Lt.
2.R.B.

STATEMENT MADE BY: Capt. L.H. ADAMS, 12th ROYAL TANK REGT.

At about 2315 hrs. at the PIAZZA COLONNA I was ~~endeavouring~~ enquiring at various M/T for a lift to 10 B. Con. Depot. at an American truck vehicle I was struck by an Italian soldier.
He laid me out, and also struck two officers with me. On questioning his friends, they informed me that he had been drinking wine.
My fellow officers LT. WALTERS noticed him climb on the back of the M/T. We awaited the arrival of the M.Police.

3/15

signed: L.H. Adams Captain.

LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DI ROMA
CARABINIERI ADDETTI ALLA POLIZIA ALLEATA
REPARTO CENTRALE QUESTURA VECCHIA

Ref. N° I/135

ROME, 9 Nov.44.

Subject: Incident occured between Italian soldier and English officer.

To the Command of the 4° COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA 1°BTG AUTOCAMIONISTI
2675 RGT. POSTA MILITARE 179.

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signed: L.R. Adams Captain.

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CARABINIERI ADDETTI ALLA POLIZIA ALLEATA
REPARTO CENTRALE QUESTURA VECCHIA

Ref. N° I/155 ROME, 9 Nov.44.

Subject: Incident occured between Italian soldier and English officer.

To the Command of the 4° COMPAGNIA AUTONOMA 1°BTG AUTOCAMIONISTI
2675 RGT. POSTA MILITARE 179
and for information :
To the O.C. THE BRITISH MILITARY POLICE (Old Questura) ROME.
To the Command of the CC.RR. ADDETTO ALA P.A. VIA GALLONIO 11.

At 2430 hrs. of today's date, the British Police has handed over to this Unit the Cpl. DONA Pietro, of the Unit to which this letter is addressed. The a/m Police stated that Cpl. DONA had a short while earlier come into a dispute with an English Officer on Piazza Colonna, hitting him on the nose, procuring him an injury of little entity. The Cpl. DONA in the presence of the offended Officer decidedly denied the accusation, stating that not only was he completely a stranger to the incident, but that he wasn't even present, when it happened.

In accordance to what exposed above, the soldier will be taken to his proper unit for further action.

With the present it is to be known that the British Police will forward a report about the a/m incident.

The V. Brigadier on duty,
(Righi Renato)

This serves as a receipt fpf of Cpl. DONA Pietro who is fp hp handed over to the Command of the 4° Compagnia I. Bat. Autocamionisti P.M. 179.

The receiving:SGT BERTINI BERTINO. VIA PRATI DI S. PAOLO. ROME.

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Subject:- Report.

To:, M.M.I.A. Rome.

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 64 Garrison.
Ref:Pro:3/2.
14 Nov 44.

AQ/6
16/11

The attached Military Police Reportis forwarded for information and necessary action.

Staff Lieut(Provost). 3714
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton)

See Folio 382

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Translation
ref. 304385/CA
14 November 44

from: MOW
to: MMIA

Subject: Road accident.

I inform you that on Sept 4th on the CASSIA route, near CURA DI VETRALLA (VITERBO) two american vehicles coming from Rome & from VITERBO clashed. On the former there were labourers going to CIVITAVECCHIA.

Seven civilians & one american soldier died; twelve civilians have been wounded.

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Gen. OXILIA

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T Affairs Gen

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 204385 /C.A. Allegati ____ Roma, 14 novembre 1944

Risposta al f/del ____ Div. ____ Sez. ____ N° ____

OGGETTO: Incidente stradale.
Road Accident

Al LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. - (MMIA)

ROMA

Segnalo per notizia che il 4 novembre sulla via Cassia, nei pressi di Cura di Vetralla (Viterbo) si sono scontrati due automezzi americani provenienti da Roma e da Viterbo. A bordo del primo si trovavano operai diretti al porto di Civitavecchia. 3/12

Si deplora la morte di 7 civili e di un soldato americano; 12 civili sono rimasti feriti.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA

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SUBJECT: Discipline - Traffic Regulations

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/6
16 November 1944

TO: MMIA LO
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1. The attached copy C.M.P. report is forwarded for onward transmission in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

S.P. Archer Capt

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

SPA/ri

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SUBJECT: Traffic Accident - British & Italian O.Rs.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/6
14 November 1944

TO: MMIA LO Neples

1. The attached copy of C.M.P. report in respect of the traffic accident which took place on 9 Nov, is forwarded for onward transmission to correct unit in order that any necessary action may be taken.

S P Archer Capt.

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION IV
APO 394

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- REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
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- MOTOR TRANSPORTATION
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- PUBLIC WELFARE
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- ITALIAN MILITARY LIAISON
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
(Engineering Division)
APO 394

13 November 1944

TO : HQ. Region Lazio & Umbria (2 copies)

SUBJECT : Mines - Investigation of

IN REPLY QUOTE : R4/RNG/25.4

1. As reported in my R4/RNG/25.4 dated 11 November 4 soldiers were killed and 3 wounded by the explosion of a Mine while on duty engaged in Mine Clearance.

Attached is a copy of the report received and a translation thereof.

2. It appears from the report that a mine had been located by detector and from a verbal report that owing to exceptionally close placing of mines in this minefield (which had been previously reported in the weekly progress report) that the exact location of the mine was being made by Prodding when the explosion occured. - The necessity of having 7 men in close proximity at this stage in proceedings is not clear from the report.

3. It is recommended that a formal investigation and enquiry should be made of all circumstances and facts leading up to and connected with the deaths of

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2. Michele Fato
3. Pasquale La Manna
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This would appear to be primarily the responsibility of the Ministro della Guerre but as the company is working under Allied Direction and supplied with Allied Detectors it would appear desirable that there should be an Allied Officer in the board or in attendance.

4. The names of the soldiers were obtained by Maj. Larson at CAMTA from unit for which place he had left for an ordinary inspection prior to receipt of the casualty report.

Enclosures : 2

Lt.Col. R.E.
Regional Engineer
Lazio Umbria Region AMG.

Copy to:
→ MMIA in view of Urgency and
Lt.Col. Caruso

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561° COMPAGNIA

PIONIERI RASTRELLAMENTO MINE

10 Novembre 1944

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

AL COMANDO MILITARE LAZIO-UMBRIA

H.Q.LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION AMG. - Engineering Division

Il giorno 6 corr. alle ore 11,30 mentre due squadre lavoravano lungo la linea dell'acquedotto Minturno-Scauri e precisamente a circa un Km. e mezzo da Scauri una mina S.improvvisamente esplodeva producendo la morte a quattro genieri e ferendone altre tre.

Del luttuoso incidente verrà inviato regolare e dettagliato rapporto e ne è stata già data comunicazione telegrafica.

Da immediata inchiesta è risultato che,notata la mina col rivelatore, per localizzarla meglio (essendo il rivelatore influenzato da altre mine circostanti) un geniere sondando con una baionetta,fatalmente ne provoca l'esplosione.

Il Ten.Belli,che era nelle vicinanze con altre squadre,accorse immediatamente sul posto e provvide a dare i primi soccorsi ai feriti e a darne avviso al Comandante della Compagnia.

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Immediatamente,accompagnato da un Capitano Americano che si trovava al Comando di Compagnia per il prelevamento di mine,mi recai al Comando di Polizia Americano c e si trova tra Formia e Gaeta e questi mise subito a disposizione una autoambulanza per il trasporto dei feriti;essi furono ricoverati all'ospedale di Scauri.Il giorno dopo,sempre a cura del Comando di Polizia,i feriti furono trasportati e ricoverati all'Ospedale Militare di Napoli.

Subito dopo diedi gli ordini per il ricupero delle salme che erano già state precedentemente visitate dal dottore.

Il giorno 7 alle ore 15,30 furono fatti solenni funerali alle quattro salme con concorso delle autorità e della popolazione civile.

La Compagnia ha messo subito disposizione a favore delle famiglie dei deceduti il premio recupero mine che si prevede raggiungerà la cifra

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F.to Il Comandante della 561° Comp.

(Cap.Natale De Marchi)

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(Translation by Maria Paganini)

561° COMPAGNIA
PIONIERI RASTRELLAMENTO MINE

November 0th, 1944

To the Ministero della Guerra
To the Lazio-Umbria Military Commend
To the HQ.Lazio Umbria Region ANG.Engineering Division.

On November 6th inst.,at 11,30 hours,while two squads were working along the Minturno=Scauri acqueduct line,exactly at one kilo= meter and a half from Scauri,suddenly a mine blew up.

Four sappers were killed and trhee more wounded.

A regular and detailed report on the mournful incident will be handed;meanwhile a wire message has already been despatched.

From an immediate inquiry it ensued that,after the mine had been detected,a sapper,in order to localize it better,(since the detector was influenced by other mines close by),unfortunately occasioned the explosion by searching with a bayonet.

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Lt.Belli,who was in the neighbourhood with other squads,immediately ran to the spot to give the wounded the first assistance and to see also that the Company Commander should be informed.

Together with an American Captain,who happened to be at the Company Command's to collect mines,I went at once to the American Police Command,located between Formia and Gaeta.Same Command,imme=

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Together with an American Captain,who happened to be at the Company Command's to collect mines,I went at once to the American Police Command,located between Formia and Gaeta.Same Command,immediately put at my disposal an Ambulance for the conveyance of the wounded.The latter entered the Scauri Hospital and,on the following day,entered the Military Hospital in Naples,said American Company Command having taken the matter in Hand.

Soon after I gave instructions for the recovery of the dead bodies, who already had been visited by the physician.

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On the 7th inst.,at 15,30,solemn osequies were celebrated,a tended by Public Authorities and Civilians.

The Company has,at once,put at the disposal of the families of the deceased the mine rescue prize which,it is deemed,will reach 60.000 lire.

Signed: IL COMANDANTE DELLA 56 COMP.
(Cap.Natale De Marchi)

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Subject:- Traffic Violation Reports

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 64 Garrison.
Ref:Pro:S/3
12 Nov 44

A2/6

15/11

To:- M.M.E.A.
ROME

Attached T.V.Rs are forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

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CONFIDENTIAL

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Subject: Discipline

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) ROME
AQ/6

13 Nov 1944

MINISTER FOR WAR

1. I attach a report from the British Military Police, which discloses a serious breach of discipline on the part of Brigadier General MOKO, Deputy Commander of the POLGORE Combat Group.

2. I am directed to inform you the case has been reviewed, and that you are required to convey to this officer that the Supreme Allied Commander in Chief regards the incident with grave displeasure.

A. Browning

Major General
M. M. I. A.

JGB/le

Seen at Fiddler's Dec/11/44

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SUBJECT: Discipline - Officers.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) R O M E
AQ/6
14 November 1944

TO: Hq. 70 Sub Area CMF

COL MANSUTTI

3314/1 Sub packet

Ref your 705A/203/143/A of 16 October /44.

1. The Ministry of War has now informed this Hq. that at the time of the alleged misappropriation of Army Rations Col. Mansutti was not an effective member of the Italian Army.

2. He is not, therefore, liable to punishment under Military law.

3. Will you please advise this Hq as to the Allied Authority who appointed Col. Mansutti to be Commander of the Italian Refugee Centre, Reggio, and also as to the terms of his employment in this capacity.

F. J. HOARES, Col.
D.A. & Q.M.G.
M.M.I.A.

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Sub packet

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SUBJECT: Discipline - Carrying of Arms.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/6
12 November 1944

TO: Ministry of War:

273 3rd Packet

Ref. your 3004/S/CA of 29 Aug. 44.

1. Authority has now been given by the Allied Authorities for the C.C.R.K. to carry arms whilst technically off duty.

2. This H.Q. letter AQ/6 of 23 Aug. 44 should, therefore, be amended as follows: 264 3rd Packet

Para. 3.

delete line 6 which reads, "This applies equally to members of the C.C.R.K."

for Major General
M. M. I. A.

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SUBJECT: Discipline - Ital. Mil. Personnel

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/6
12 November 1944

TO: MMIA LO
H.Q 3 District
C. M. F.

1. Attached are four CMP reports (in duplicate) received at this H.Q. from Provost 64 Garrison.

2. Will you please forward these to the proper authority in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

3. The punishment awarded should be endorsed on the reverse of the reports and one copy returned to this H.Q. for information.

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Col. DA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

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Subject:- Traffic Accident

Office of S/Lieut(Pro).
HQ 64 Garrison.
Ref:Pro:17.
11 Nov '44.

M.M.I.A. A8
FILE REF 16
Date Rec'd 14 11

To:- Officer Commanding,
6 S.A.A.D.Regt Armd Regt,
U.D.F. Piedimonte

Attached Military Police report of Traffic Accident which occurred on the 8 Nov 44 is forwarded for information.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

Copy to:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

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Transmittal Slip.

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Subject ASSAULT.

Ref N.° PRO/TS/2/3227

From: Office of the Provost Marshal, Rome Allied Area Command.

To: — DPM 5 District.
PM U. S. Forces.
APM RAF.
OC 111 Pro Coy.
OC 'T' Pro Coy.
OC Western Div.
OC 75 S. I. S.
OC 76 S. I. S.
OC 75 Coy CMP (TC).
SCAPO AMG.
DAD Claims
G. 1. (Br) RAAC.
Comm. French Forces HQ.
APM Canadian Corps.
Chief of Public Safety.
AS. M.M.I.A.
A.C.

(K)

Sent to 1st Truck Regt 2675 Pte A.C SPA 15/11

For information. ✓
Necessary action, please. ✓
investigation & report.
Note & forward as indicated.
Perusal and return please.
For report. AM
For report & completion.
Forwarded
Remarks.

Date 11 - 11 - 44 Signature Allen 3rd UO

MAJOR. APM (Br) R.A.C

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II. TERRIZZI-ROMA

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SUBJECT: Stoppages of Pay

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/6
10 November 1944

TO : AFHQ (for G-1 (Br))

1. Italian Commanders of units, which have a charge or loan British W/D vehicles or equipment, are in some cases awarding stoppages of pay, for loss of or damage to, such W/D property. Two copies of proforma used by 1002 It.G.T. Coy are att.

2. Such stoppages of pay are entered against the man in his pay book, but the sum of money is not handed to the British Authorities. Thereby, apart from the disciplinary aspect, the purpose of stoppage of pay is nullified, as a means of partial replacement or repair of W/D property.

3. It is for consideration, therefore, whether such stoppages should be reclaimed from the Italian Government. Repayment could be affected through MMIA and the Chief Accountant, A.C.

4. It is requested that if such repayment is desired, an instruction covering the subject be issued to all concerned.

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

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JGB/rl
Copy to: File AQ/13/1

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Serial No. 24

1002 Itali Army Gen Tpt Coy.

Details of stoppages of pay from Italian driver personnel for Loss or Damage to W.D. property or, damage to W.D. Vehicles (Traffic Accidents) for recovery from Italian War Department.

1. Drivers Name Dvr. MANNARINO PAOLO.

2. Unit 1002 IT. ARMY Gen. Tpt. Coy R.A.S.C.

3. (a) ~~Loss or Damage~~ Damaged. Vehicle 8TON BEDFORD No. 526893 placed for evacuation.

(b) Traffic Accident. Serial No of A.F.G.3678

4. Date of Occurence 8. October 44.

5. Amount of Stoppage (words) One thousand and six hundred

* Delete (a) or (b) whichever not applicable.

Certified that the sum of Lire 1600 has been stopped from the pay of the above named soldier.

(Signed) Magg. Tipon. 3003

Date 13. Oct. 44

O.C. 1002 Italian Army G.T.Coy.

(Countersigned) [illegible]

O.C. British Cadre RASC 1002 Italian Army G.T.Coy.

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Serial No. 20

1002 Italian Army Gen Tpt Coy.

Details of stoppages of pay from Italian driver personnel for Loss or Damage to W.D. property or, damage to W.D. Vehicles (Traffic Accidents) for recovery from Italian War Department.

1. Drivers Name Drv. BORGHI BRUNO

2. Unit 1002 IT. ARMY GEN. Tpt. Coy R.A.S.C.

3. (a) Item Lost or ~~Damaged~~. ; one overall (W/D. property)

(b) Traffic Accident. Serial No of A.F.G. 3676

4. Date of Occurrence 13 october 44

5. Amount of Stoppage (words) one hundred & ninety

* Delete (a) or (b) whichever not applicable.

Certified that the sum of Lire 190.= has been stopped from the pay of the above named soldier. 3038

Date 13 Oct. 1944.

(signed) Maggr. Tufton

O.C. 1002 Italian Army G.T.Coy.

(Countersigned) Holmes Hayes

O.C. British Cadre RASC 1002 Italian Army G.T.Coy.

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Subject Traffic Offence. Ref N.° PRO/TS/50/3003

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To: — DPM 5 District.
PM U. S. Forces.
APM RAF.
OC 111 Pro Coy.
OC 'T' Pro Coy.
OC Western Div.
OC 75 S. I. S.
OC 76 S. I. S.
OC 75 Coy CMP (TC).
SCAPO AMG.
DAD Claims
G. 1. (Br) RAAC.
Comm. French Forces HQ.
APM Canadian Corps.
Chief of Public Safety.
AS. M.M.I.A.
A.C.C.

For information. ✓✓
Necessary action, please.
investigation & report.
Note & forward as indicated.
Perusal and return please.
For report.
For report & completion.
Forwarded
Remarks.

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Report Sent to Stock 14/11.

Date 8-11-44 Signature

Allan Lawton Capt.
MAJOR APM (Br) R.A.C

U. TERENZI-ROMA

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[redacted]

Subject:- Discipline.

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To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome

1. Herewith offence report/s submitted by the Military Police.

2. Responsibility for framing charges is laid down in ACI 1911/41. (GRO 403/43)

3. Attention is also directed to ACI 1311/41 as to the circumstances requiring the attendance of CMP witnesses should the evidence be in dispute. (GRO 13/43)

4. When the charge has been dealt with, AF B252 should be disposed of through the usual channels to A' Branch of your Area or Formation HQ with this memorandum. (KR 1940 para 562(b))

5. Reasons for lenient treatment should also be attached. (KR 1940 para 562(b))

6. The AF B252 or explanation under para 5 above should not be returned to Provost or Officer IC Military Police originating the charges.

Report returned to 3 Aust Pro who asked to have reports sent through normal channels & must reach here within 7 days 4 copy T.R.I. Station 5/11.

H. W. Clarkson

Provost Staff Lieut,
HQ 64 Garrison.

Field.
8 NOV 44

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Subject: 205 Italian Division.

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
AG/6
6 November 1944

To : AFHQ (2)

1. Inviting attention to copy of report of MMIA LO Sardinia, with two inclosures, attached, which has reference to disciplinary disorders in the 205 Division caused by non-speaking Italian soldiers of Yugo-Slav descent.

2. There are some 1550 soldiers of this class in the 205 Division, which is being transferred to the mainland to under command US Air Force.

3. For the Italian viewpoint this is a serious matter. From the Allied viewpoint it is a tempest in a teapot and will probably resolve itself as it is anticipated that all of these Yugo-Slavs being transferred to the mainland will desert the Italian service and end up in Marshal Tito's Army through the numerous recruiting agencies set up in Italy by the Yugo-Slav Army of Liberation.

4. Suggest that this file be forwarded to the US Air Force in order that when anticipated desertions take place in the 205 Division, the US Air Force will understand the position. It will simply mean that deserters will have to be replaced by Italians called-up in the normal manner.

(C)

CLAYTON P. KERN, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

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1 Incl:
Report of MMIA LO Sardinia
with two inclosures.

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LIAISON OFFICER
MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
SARDINIA SECTOR

6 November 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Disciplinary Disorder, 205 Division (Italian)

TO : C.G., MMIA, AC.

1. On the Eve of the departure of the 205 Division for the mainland, considerable evidence of unrest on the part of the many soldiers of Slav origin was observed. Copy of report by General Brunetti, commanding Italian Forces in Sardinia, is attached as an inclosure to this report. Also attached is an inclosure which incorporates the testimony of five representatives of the "Jugoslav" members of the division, who appeared before the undersigned at the request of General Brunetti to register complaints.

2. During the past year many incidents have occurred which have inflamed the bitter feeling cherished by the Italian troops of Slavish descent for the Italian command. This has applied particularly to the fifteen hundred and more of these soldiers who have been serving the units of the Allied Garrison of Sardinia, since August incorporated in the 205 Division. The following paragraphs list the more significant of these incidents with major emphasis as to detail on those of recent date:

a. February 1944. Visit to Sardinia by three Jugoslav officers in British uniforms, authorized by signal from AAI, purported to be for the purpose of obtaining information as to numbers, condition, etc., of the Italian soldiers of Slav extraction. The Allied Garrison Commander arranged for their visit to the appropriate units, accompanied by an officer from this MMIA sector, a Slav-speaking officer from G-2 sector, AGS, and a Slav-speaking Italian officer from the staff of CMS. Although efforts were made to keep the tour from inciting undue feeling on political lines, one of the visiting Slav officers insisting on making inflamatory speaches on each possible occasion. This matter was duly reported by AGS to AFHQ.

b. March 1944. Shortly after the incident reported in 2, a, five thousand alloggeni were moved to Corsica to provide service for Northern Base Section. This was the source of much disappointment to those who remained, who submitted many petitions for permission to serve the US Forces in units without Italian officers.

c. 30 October 1944. After numberous reports of minor cases of disaffection, General Brunetti requested a conference with Col C. K. Harding, Allied Garrison Commander and the undersigned concerning a report of mutiny of Slav

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members of 205 Division submitted by the Commanding General thereof. At the conference, the Italian Commander suggested that Colonel Harding and the MMIA representative address a meeting of the dissatisfied soldiers, together with him.

d. 31 October 1944. The alloggeni were assembled at 1800 hours at the barracks of the 13th Engineers, Cagliari. As the Italian Commander entered the hall, he noticed that one of the front rank soldiers carried a Jugoslav flag with a red star superimposed. General Brunetti snatched the flag from the hands of the soldier with some quick words of censure and proceeded with his address, followed by Colonel Harding and the undersigned. The audience seemed sullen and unresponsive. On leaving the hall, one soldier mumbled in a low tone to the next soldier, whereupon General Brunetti siezed the offender and jerked him violently out of ranks with a vigorous reprimand. Immediately pandemonium broke loose and a serious riot appeared imminent. The undersigned was able to quiet the situation by agreeing to receive the complaints of a representative group of alloggeni the next day at the request of General Brunetti.

e. 1 November 1944. The result of the interview with the five representative Slav soldiers is attached as inclosure 1. Very little specific information as to mistreatment was submitted. Three of the soldiers emphasized the action of General Brunetti in laying hands on one of them on the previous evening.

Later in the day, General Brunetti advised that he was preparing a report to the War Ministry and that he intended to confine and discipline the five representatives who, after their complaints had refused to comply with General Brunetti's request to wear the proper insignia, etc. Copy of his report is attached as inclosure II.

3. Summary.

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a. It seems quite unlikely that any of the Italian-Slav soldiers will submit to the requirements of the Italian command. They have been incited to determined resistance to Italian discipline and seem inclined to welcome the opportunity for martyrdom.

b. These soldiers are willing to continue to serve the Allies, ignoring their Italian officers. If they are transported to the mainland with the 205 Division they may be contented to serve US units unless they desert in an attempt to join Slav agencies. If any part of their

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number is withdrawn from the Division, that number should be replaced for US service purposes.

c. It seems evident that the difficulty has been increased by the action by the Italian command in segregating the alloggeni and attempting to practice the same disciplinary technique with them as is applied to typical Italian personnel. The chief point in question is the matter of discipline, the Italian Command being exercised over the example set by the alloggeni in flouting Italian authority.

4. In view of the fact that, as yet, no sacrifice to service to Allied units has resulted from the situation, it is recommended that the Italian Command be directed to close the matter promptly in any manner which will be face-saving and without detriment to Allied services.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

FLS/lak

2 Incl:
Incl 1-Testimony of alloggeni
Incl 2-Report of Commanding General
Italian Forces, Sardinia

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TESTIMONY

ITALIAN (JUGO-SLAV) SOLDIERS

1 November 1944

TAVCAR, MILAN — 2nd Company 53rd Service Group

Col. Simmons : Please state reasons you have for dissatisfaction.

Tavcar Milan : Officers do not treat us as Italians. Officers speak to Jugo-Slavs with contempt and in an offensive manner.

Col. Simmons : Can you cite specific incidents?

Tavcar Milan : It is felt by all of us that the reason for the meeting last night has been mis-represented through a mis-interpretation by General Brunetti and other Italian officers. Our actions should not be mis-construed to mean that we are revolting. We are more than willing to fight and work for the Allies; it was our hope that the Allies could remove us from the threats and circumstances which surround us. We have suffered much from the Fascist and Nazi oppressors, and since this is a war of liberation, it is our desire to break away entirely from Italian authority and become Jugo-Slavs once again.

Col. Simmons : I am not interested in the Jugo-Slav - Italian political problems; I am only interested in the immediate war aims. Thus far you have said nothing to justify discontent as a soldier. Can you ennumerate specific incidents?

Tavcar Milan : We object to the seizing of one of our men by General Brunetti after the meeting last night.
I can prove that Italian officers have stole and sold our food rations.

Col. Simmons : Can you substantiate your claim by naming the officer or officers?

Tavcar Milan : I do not know the officer's name.
We desire the same conditions that exist in regard to the Jugo-Slav soldiers in Corsica. They wear the American uniform and are not commanded by Italian officers who hate us so. Why could we not go to Corsica?

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Col. Simmons : The wearing of American clothing by these men in Corsica is based purely on political lines. It was done to eliminate mistreatment by the French who hate the Italian uniform. There is no other reason.
What is the source of your clothing?

Tavcar Milan : All my clothing (American) was given to me by an American officer when I worked at Decimo; sometime last month (Sept.).

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Col. Simmons : Is there anything else you wish to say at this time?

Tavcar Milan : We Jugo-Slavs, 5,000 strong in Sardinia, wish to be commanded by Allied and not Italian officers. It is the only solution to our problems.

Col. Simmons : For your information, there are only about 1,700 Italians of Jugo-Slav origin in Sardinia. I am thoroughly convinced that the attitude you are taking is harmful to the interests of your friends and families as well as your own as I explained last night. By your behavior and improper wearing of the Italian uniform as is directed, you are displaying a spirit of revolt and makes you unworthy of bearing the name of a soldier in any kind of an army. On the other hand, if you have injustices you wish to report, as an American officer I am ready to listen and make adjustments or corrections necessary but, no soldier who comes to register a complaint will receive attention if he comes with a spirit of revolt. Again I call attention to the fact that conditions which exist or have existed in your home town is of no concern to us at this time. They will be dealt with by the responsible authorities when hostilities have terminated. I repeat that improper action taken now will be harmful to your interests.

MECKUS, JOSE 6th Company 53rd Service Group

Possessed recommendation from Major Pearson for work done with the 310th Service Group.

Col. Simmons : I understand that members of the organization of Jugo-Slav descent are dissatisfied, and object to serving their organization. I emphasize that the U.S. forces have no interest in the matters of national boundaries or occurances at home. Our interest is primarily alleged mistreatment and injustices caused to individuals of your group. If you have any information as to mistreatment, call it to our attention. But, I must accept reports coming from soldiers and not political agencies. As soldiers, you are in an army working for the Allies. Will you be specific and enumerate injustices or complaints?

Meckus Jose : We do not wish to accept the Italian army insignas and carry rifles. I swear I have never before born an Italian rifle. I was carried away from home by 25 men armed with rifles and machineguns on 1 January 1942. 3051

Col. Simmons : Did you resist conscription?

Meckus, Jose : No. I just stayed home like the others.

Colonel Simmons : Do you have any complaints to make; any evidence of mistreatment?

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Mekus Jose : I have none. I have not been with the company. We are not being mistreated; we are properly fed, clothed, quartered and treated pretty much like other Italian soldiers. Our sole complaint is that we do not wish to carry the Italian insigna and carry the rifle. We wish to carry our own flag and banners.

Col. Simmons : You understand, of course, that the displaying of your banner last night was improper. You are Italian soldiers serving the U.S. In the past your home was located in Austria - in the future it may be some other country; I don't know and furthermore I am not interested. It is my opinion that the action you contemplate taking will not contribute to the solution of your problem. Actually it is not my business. My business is to decide and recommend whether you can help the Allied effort. I cannot recommend your use by the Allies if you show mutinous conduct.

Meckus Jose : From the beginning of the war the Jugo-Slavs have and will continue to serve the U.S; we are willing to do everything and anything for you. We have always been ready to fight against Fascism and our oppressors. We have never disobeyed Allied orders. I know that I am batting my head against a stone wall. We want the honor to return to Jugo-Slavia.

Col. Simmons : I am not trying to convince you but I honestly believe that the action you are now taking is delaying the desires you have in your hearts.

Meckus Jose : I agree, Sir.

OBLOK, AUGUST 2nd Company, 53rd Service Group

23 years old. Home in Ubiana. In Italy at time of invasion, and put in Army 1942; unwilling to accept Italian citizenship.

Col. Simmons : Please explain briefly dissatisfaction you have as an individual or representative of the group which met last night.

Oblok August : We do not wish to be under the command of the Italians. Until we started working for the Allies, we were not well fed, clothed, given passes and treated like other Italian soldiers. We wish to work for the Allies. 3[illegible]6

Col. Simmons : I understand the general situation but, be more specific about cases of mistreatment if you know of any.

Oblok August : The incident which happened last night may be cited as an example. It wasn't only that I was man-handled but the American uniform was also mis-treated.

Col. Simmons : You wore no uniform last night. You had no insigna identifying you as an Italian soldier and you surely did

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not represent an American soldier. What exactly was it that you said that upset the General so last night.

Oblok August : "I urged my friend to take a step forward and say something; that is to tell what we had in our minds. I told him that now that there, Allied representatives in our midst it was time to express ourselves; who knows when we would have another opportunity." That was all I said.

Col. Simmons : How are your rations, quarters and clothing?

Oblok August : We eat badly; those working with the Allies eat well.

Col. Simmons : Have you lost weight?

Oblok August : No Sir, I have been in the hospital 105 days, - malaria. We receive our wages and are entitled to pass priveleges. We are properly clothed but no one wants to wear the Italian uniform. We have two blankets. We are not mistreated.

Col. Simmons : Are you treated like other Italian soldiers?

Oblok August : No. The officers do not address us or speak to us as they should.

Colonel Simmons : Will you give an example?

Oblok August : They insist that we are Italian soldiers and will not listen to us as Jugo-Slavs.
We now work eight hours a day. We are willing to work sixteen hours a day under the Americans.
Jugo-Slavs are being concealed in other units throughout the island. The commanders are trying to hide them and as a result they were never advised. The Jugo-Slavs have capable, intelligent, and experienced non-commissioned officers; we can work directly under the Allies. We do not like to be under the Italian disciplinary system.
We appeal for intervention.

Colonel Simmons : I am in no position to deal with soldiers in a state of mutiny.

Oblok August : Can't anything be done about our situation?

Colonel Simmons : You have not presented any incidents of mistreatment or reasons for discontent; you have presented only political generalities.

Oblok August : But the past hurts.

Col. Simmons : Those adjustments will have to be solved at a later time.

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MEKINDA MAMILIANO 3rd Co. 2nd Bn. 53rd Service Group

31 years old, mechanic, 2 years high school.
Home in Postumia on Jugo-Slav frontier. Of Slovene descent.
Clother in dyed battle green trousers.

Col. Simmons : Do you have any injustices or mistreatment to report?

Mekinda Mamiliano: (Gives a brief summary of his experiences at the hands of Fascists and Italians)

Col. Simmons : Can you give any specific incidents?

Mekinda Mamiliano: Our officers speak to us in an offensive manner.

Col. Simmons : Can you name an officer and recall remarks made?

Mekinda Mamiliano: About 10 or 13 days ago Lieut. Milazzi, one of our company officers made the following statement at Villacidro, "You Jugo-Slavs deserve to be turned over to the Carabinieri and shot. If I were in command I would not give you anything to eat."

Col. Simmons : Are you properly fed, clothed, clothed, and treated well?

Mekinda Mamiliano: We eat well but not too much. We are clothed badly. I bought the field jacket from an American. The shirt, trousers, and shoes were issued by Headquarters. Each of us has two blankets but we sleep on the floor. We have pass priveleges and are treated like the other soldiers.

Col. Simmons : Do you have any other statements to make?

Medinda Mamiliano: We object to Italian discipline and wearing of Italian insignas. We are willing to work or fight but not under the Italians.

Col. Simmons : You have not mentioned any incident of mistreatment; only the presentation of your ideals.

Makinda Mamiliano: We are not mistreated.

SEKLI, IVAN 2nd Company 53rd Service Group. 3088

40 years of age; home in Ubiano near border of Venezia Julia. Spoke through an interpreter, José Mekus. Introduced by Mekus as a Commissar of partisans of his country. Had approximately 10,600 men under his command.

Col. Simmons : As an individual or representative of the soldiers who were at the meeting last night, do you have any instance of injustice to report?

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Sekli Ivan : In 1943 I received orders to organize partisans in my region. When the Italian authorities learned of our organizing partisan bands they immediately began to take reprisal measures and committed atrocities. These atrocities were committed by Italian soldiers, Alpine troops, Bersaglieri, and Frontier Guards as well as by Fascists. They stopped people on the streets and transported the men to Sardinia without seeing their families again. I was sent over in May 1943. In March 1944 I was sent to Corsica and as punishment for my activities in uniting Jugo-Slavs was sent to Iglesias to work again under Italian command. I escaped from Iglesias with five other soldiers, one of whom had also been in Corsica, and went to work with the Americans. Eventually the five men and I were seized by the Carabinieri and put in prison for three days dressed only in our drawers; after three days we were returned to our unit.
I speak for all Jugo-Slavs in Sardinia when I say that we do not wish to accept the insigna and rifle. We are willing to stay in the Division but apart from the Italians. When I return home I must report to my superiors what I was able to do for Jugo-Slavs in Sardinia.

Col. Simmons : Do you wish to explain how leadership is delegated or assumed and how authority is exercised?

Sekli Ivan : We have organizers but there is no distinction among the men. The leaders have no delegated responsibilities or authority recognized by others. I have no proof, credentials, or identifications. A leader makes himself known to his commrades and they believe in him.

Col. Simmons : Do you have any more recent complaints to make?

Sekli Ivan : It is obvious that the Jugo-Slavs dislike Italians and the Italians feel the same way about the Jugo-Slavs. You saw an example of it last night. If a general behaves in such a manner, what will Junior officers do? The Jugo-Slavs can command themselves. They can deal with recognized representatives.

Col. Simmons : The Allies are dealing with the Italian command which is recognized as your responsible authority. It may be difficult for you to accept this status but there is no alternative. 3081

Sekli Ivan : It is impossible for us to accept this status

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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS
OF SARDINIA

Ref No 17270/S.T. 3 November 1944

SUBJECT: Incidents in Allegletti Units.

TO : Minister for War.

Copy to: General of Staff
of the Royal Army.

During the past days the allegletti that were part of units under the Allies have performed acts of indiscipline that I hasten to bring to your attention, and due to the fact that they took place in the presence of Colonel Simmons, now in Rome, MMIA will be most assuredly informed. As will be brought out later, some of the information will be brought to your attention by me personally.

The orders issued by the Minister for War and by the Chief of Staff of the Royal Army provide that military personnel of allegletti origin that are part of the various units leaving for the continent are to be retained on the island and are to be grouped into units that are to remain in Sardinia.

As a result, units have been organized in which the proportions of allegletti personnel were as high as 80% and others that were almost exclusively nationals.

At the time I assumed command the situation was as follows:

- Calabria Division : 410 allegletti military personnel divided among the various units. 3086

- 205 Division : 1410 allegletti military personnel the greater portion of which was in the Second Battalion of the 55th Labor Group (852 men) and in the 53rd Service Group (312 men).

The morale and discipline at that time was good, whereas now instead, it gives cause for worry in the Second Battalion of the 55th Labor Group.

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Some cases of lack of discipline on the part of the allegletti personnel, who were in units under the Allies in Sardinia, took place even before the units became part of the 205th Division and precisely when all the allegletti personnel were transferred to the Calabria and 204 Division that were to remain on the island and not be transferred to the continent.

On the whole, allegletti military personnel complain of:

- having been accused of being anti-fascists before and as anti-Italians later;

- having been included in special units (labor);

- of not having found understanding on the part of Italian officers;

- impairment of prestige by being continuously transferred to other units at a time when they should have followed their own units to the continent;

- having substituted their good clothing with unserviceable articles and leather shoes with wooden shoes to be given to units getting ready to move into the continent;

- having not fulfilled their desire to be included with Tito's troops, otherwise with either Allied or Italian troops fighting against the Germans or at least as workers for the Allies on the continent. The blame for this has been placed on the Italian authorities who are supposed to have opposed their wishes;

- promises of improvement of their equipment and treatment for the work that they had done which promises have never, or in small part only, been materialized;

- worry about their family; some claimed that during guerrilla activities members of their families had been murdered by Italian units;

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- news relative to the ceding of Venezia-Giulia and Istria to Yugoslavia, while the Italian headquarters compel them to serve under the Italian flag;

- particular morale factors caused by the hostile treatment received in our Country.

To this may be added other transitory reasons such as inferior quality of food in some units, insufficient quantity of food, poor leadership of some unit commanders, and irregular tour of duties, as well as the instigation on the part of fanatic members who rule the mass because of their leadership;

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'The feeling of the allegletti members, caused by the above-stated facts, had caused some sporadic and latent manifestation of indiscipline, always however on a limited scale.

This general feeling of illwill has also been increased by the propaganda of officers of Slavic Nationality, duly authorized and accompanied by Allied officers.

In my opinion from this moment the lack of discipline in certain cases increased to acts punishable by law.

However, keeping in mind the feeling of military personnel with an excellent record and that some of these had fought well in Africa and Corsica, and this offering an opportunity to show my magnanimity, on recommendation of the commander of the 7th Army Corps and approved by me, I decided to use clemency as I felt, due to the present political situation, that it would be better than strong measures.

I insisted however upon a greater morale and propaganda activity on the part of our commanders designed to clear certain highlights more obscure to the whole of the allegletti personnel.

My recommendations were communicated to the headquarters of the 205th Division, who, by superior orders, was at that time to include all those units that were to remain on the island under the Allies.

During the first days of August, regardless of the morale activities carried on by the commanders, acts of indiscipline again took place in the same Second Special Labor Battalion then assigned to road work in the Alghero zone, 80 of which were allegletti personnel.

The reason for these incidents were the same as those mentioned above, resulting always in open disobedience, refusing to go to work, threats, remaining however without ratification on the part of the commanders to avoid reprisals. 3084

When these facts were brought to my attention, the situation seemed so serious that I felt it necessary to have personal contact with the unit which took place on the 14th of August. In order to decrease the percentage of allegletti personnel, I ordered the commander of the 7th Army Corps, as this unit was a part of it, assign 60 military nationals of whom he could be sure and the necessary number of officers and non-commissioned officers to take care of the deficiency. On my visit to the Second Labor Battalion, I stayed with the allegletti military personnel for a long time. They presented themselves in a disciplined manner, they listened to me attentively and when I indicated that I was at the disposal of those who had any grievances, no one presented himself.

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From that time this particular unit and those who had a smaller percentage of of allegletti personnel the situation became more satisfactory. No further complaint was made known to me.

At that time I did not exclude the possibilities of a survey for the purpose of equally distributing the allegletti personnel among the various units of the 205 Division. I was disuaded from taking such steps due to the fact that I did not want to further irritate this personnel already irritated by previous transfers and because I did not wish to interfere in their work and in their output (arguments that are very sensitive to the Allies) and because I did not wish to upset the peace that was now being reestablished.

On 26 September by a detailed report, the commander of the 205 Division informed me that the situation in the Second Battalion of the 55th Group under the Allies had again become upset and would soon get out of hand.

He specified that in the battalion there actually was a political organization headed by fanatical and the worst type of elements, who kept alive within the masses incompatibility to discipline, to work and to everything Italian. The battalion commander and the battery commanders, to avoid reprisals, commanded their units only in virtue of the compromise to (let go and let things run for themselves).

Orders and recommendations were revoked and modified according to the will of the masses.

To justify their behaviour, the allegletti personnel made reference to those reasons stated above.

The division commander then listed certain requirements of discipline, of injuries to Italian-speaking personnel caused by fights and drunkeness. He pointed out examples of writing in Slavic offensive to the Army, of Communistic drawings placed on tents. He then specified that no allegletti military personnel wanted to wear the stars, the insignia of rank and the emblem on their hats.

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He concluded that he had substituted the battalion commander assigning Lt Col Baldi and two new battery commanders and insisted that it was of the utmost importance to solve this situation at the earliest, making the following proposals:

- to uphold the wishes of the allegletti personnel by sending them to fight with Marshall Tito, by transferring the entire battalion to the continent and then into the Balkans;

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- to send away from the battalion the most turbulent and rebellious elements;

- to eventually allocate all of the allegletti personnel among the various units on the island.

The above report was followed up by a visit of General Lama, Commander of the 205th Division who stated that the first recommendation was to be disregarded and instead that it was immediately necessary to act against the rebellious members and to make provision for the dissolving of the battalion, which would have required cautious preparations and making necessary arrangements to immediately suppress any reactions.

This recommendation however, was opposed by the fact that due to the order of the 205 Division to leave for the continent, any rearrangeing of personnel would have given the impression that even this time it was intended to exclude the allegletti personnel from leaving.

I did not fail however, to bring to the attention of the Commander of the 205 Division the deficient morale program he had recommended since last August, and the failure to act promptly and with force in order to break up at least a few of the more serious incidents that took place, as well as the fact that not wearing of stars, insignia and emblems had been tolerated among the allegletti personnel, and that they had openly demonstrated that they did not wish to be subordinated to italian officers.

I insisted on the necessity to continue persuasive measures with more thoroughness, remaining firm on the point that any active indiscipline or crime was to be repressed in the strongest manner so as to maintain intact the prestige of military authority. In a further conference with General Lama, I pointed out the necessity to bring together those elements of allegletti personnel that were to be denounced and to provide for a different disposition of the unit that was now free of its work so as to bring it among units composed of nationals to eventually assure the taking of repressive measures.

While it was not possible to gather up those elements 3082 that were to be denounced, the second recommendation was carried out in full.

During a visit of the Commander of the 205 Division on 31 October, he informed me of an incident that had taken place in the battalion now transferred to Sassari. It dealt with four allegletti military personnel who had been imprisoned and later set free inview of demonstrations on the part of about 100 of their companions. Upon the action of the deputy commander of the division, Col Todini, the prisoners were again imprisoned and an investigation made which led to other elements being denounced.

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After this the battalion returned to an almost normal status.

He showed me a report of the commander of the 53rd Service Group on duty at Cagliari regarding the situation that had arrisen in the past few days with respect to two allegletti units of the group who up to then had never given any reason for complaint. (see attached sheet)

It should be pointed out that it was during these days that a delegation of Russian labor representatives arrived in Sardinia for the purpose of propaganda.

Because of this, I decided to request the intervention of an Allied officer to counterattack the propaganda of American military personnel (of Yugoslav origin) due to the refusal to maintain discipline under the Italian military authority on the part of allegletti military personnel.

As Colonel Harding, Commander of the Allied Garrison and Colonel Simmons stated that they wished to settle the differences directly, the allegletti military personnel of the two units were called together.

At the meeting held at 1800 hours on 31 October, in addition to the two above-mentioned American officers, I was present with General Lama, Commander of the 205 Division. The Italian officers lined up the units.

Upon our arrival, the military personnel after having assumed the position of attention, eulogized Yugoslavia in a Slavic language and one of them brought forth a Yugoslav flag having a red star that had been hidden up to then. After the units had been passed in review and the flag had been personally taken by me without complaint on the part of anyone, I held the visitors on the grounds that they had requested this meeting particularly for reasons of discipline.

Colonels Harding and Simmons spoke after I did, and stated that the allegletti personnel serving with the Allies was always under the discipline of Italian officers and headwuarters and it was considered to be a unit of the Italian Army. 3681

I then confirmed the absolute necessity that all obey the rules and regulations of our legal orders.

Colonel Simmons agreed, with my consent, to the request that five allegletti personnel confer with him directly to express their wishes.

I was present at the meeting that took place at 0900 hours on 1 November.

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Only one of the allegletti military personnel spoke to me at length and regardless of any arguments he continued to point out the wishes of all:

- that they did not wish to wear the Italian stars and insignia of rank;

- that they did not wish to be commanded by Italian officers;

- that they wished to be in units composed exclusively of Slavs, of their own officers or at least Allied officers;

- that they were ready to be used on any front either as laborers or as fighting troops.

After I pointed out that the wishes that had been expressed had a political basis that deviated completely from discipline and from my command, I asked that he carry out convincing arguments so that all would realize the seriousness of their misbehaviour, that they again wear our emblem and insignia of rank and to return obedient and disciplined to the orders of their proper commanders.

After the meeting of the allegletti military personnel with Colonel Simmons, he informed that they had stated as follows:

1.- That they did not wish to complain about the moral, material, or disciplinary treatment displayed by Italian officers;

2.- That they did not wish to be commanded by Italian officers;

3.- That they did not wish to wear Italian stars and insignia of rank.

Colonel Simmons pointed out that the Garrison Commander was not interested in the disciplinary side, because he was only interested in labor output and this had always been satisfactory.

In view of this, I decided to unite, on 2 November, the five present representatives of the allegletti military personnel (one of whom claims to be a commissariat of Tito's) to impose upon them and consequently their companions, whom they claimed to represent--except that it would be repeated by officers of the unit: 3 art 0

- the immediate wearing of emblems, stars and insignia of rank;

- the immediate return to discipline and obedience of Italian commanders.

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I told the five soldiers, who were the same that had been received by Colonel Simmons the preceeding day, what the above-mentioned American officer had told me and I ordered them to immediately wear the stars as well as the other insignia.

As the five soldiers categorically refused to carry out my orders, I placed them under arrest and denounced.

Due to the present state of affairs, it is my intention and is now in execution, the repression of any form of indiscipline placing the blame on the agitators and leaders and to effect the breaking up of allegletti units, although this is in part compromised by the fact that some of the units have already left.

The nature and mentality of the allegletti elements leads one to assume that regardless of the steps taken (the acts of indiscipline and mutiny will nevertheless continue, as more serious measures must be absolutely excluded due to the present political situation) the mass, even though subdivided will continue to be disobedient, and it will not be possible to indefinitely make denouncements, the problem of the allegletti personnel continues unsolved and real.

By effecting a subdivision into various units, surprises and serious situations will be avoided, but we will always have a nucleus of passive resistance and open indiscipline.

On the other hand, I have not carried out the exclusion of allegletti units from those organizations that were leaving because, in my opinion, it would have had grave repercussions and besides compromising the situation of the island, it would not have pleased the Allies, who do not agree to a decrease in strength because of their requirements.

I am taking a due reserve until I can personally come to make a report as soon as the turbulent units have left. At this time I deem it advisable that I remain here.

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THE COMMANDING GENERAL
- Brunette Brunetti -

/s/ Brunetti

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53RD SERVICE GROUP

Ref No. 99/ris 29 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Allegletti Military Personnel.

TO : Headquarters 205 Division, Personnel Office.

When I assumed commend of the Group, I devoted particular attention to the allegletti military personnel situation.

On the basis of what I was told by the commanders of these units and my own investigations, I deem the situation to be serious for the following reasons:

1.- anti-Italian sentiments have been greatly accentuated in this recent period. They absolutely do not intent to be a part of our Army. This attitude is assumed today by organized masses. The work of irresponsible Allied elements have contributed to this feeling, who have convinced them to consider themselves at their service, to fear nothing, as the Italians no longer have any authority over them.

2.- They absolutely do not intend to leave for the continent as members of our units. Under contrary circumstances, they have stated that they will report enmasse to the Allied headquarters for the purpose of attaining their end and to be withheld from those leaving.

3.- rebellious elements that have made themselves leaders within the interior organization of the unit (we are trying to identify them, but it is quite difficult due to the fact that in speaking they use exclusively Slavic language), they paralyze any activity on the part of those who are willing and disciplined. As a result, non-commissioned officers and graduati are afraid to enforce their orders because (according to what they state) they are intimidated by reprisals as soon as they return to their country; the same is true of the soldiers.

4.- They categorically refuse to do guard duty so as not to render honors to colors and standards of the Italian Army. They do not intend to wear stars nor insignia nor on the other hand to take off the ribbon of the Yugoslav flag that they wear on their vaps as they maintain they belong to the Army of Marshall Tito.

5.- they absolutely do not want to accept arms.

6.- persuasion has become absolutely in vain to this mass full of ideas of redemption and insurrection, and denouncing them has no effect as they are convinced that any punishment will one day be considered as punishment in behalf of justice.

From the above, it results that:

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a)- the function of command towards this mass that considers itself as not a part of the Italian Army, can be effected only by the continuous use of force which necessitates exceptional means.

b)- If I must order that they wear the stars and insignia, and that they carry arms, I will undoubtedly find myself confronted by an absolute collective refusal in view of which I will be compelled to use extreme measures.

c)- as their departure for the continent is imminent, I beg to consider what I have stated about the case.

d)- I request that the possibility of their being formed into labor units and not soldiers be taken into consideration, thereby satisfying their desires.

I deem that only in this manner can the delicate situation be solved; otherwise we will be confronted with inevitable and grave incidents that I feel it is well to avoid due to the present political situation.

THE COMMANDER OF THE GROUP

Lt. Col. V. Vallauri

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Subject: Discipline - Violation of Traffic Regulations.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A) ROME.
AQ/6

8 Nov 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

The attached CMP report is forwarded for onward transmission to the unit concerned in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

S P Archer Capt.

S.P.ARCHER Capt.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro)
HQ 64 Garrison
Ref ro:3/2.
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Subject:- Traffic Violation Report

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

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Attached T.V.R. is forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

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CONFIDENTIAL.

Subject:- Discipline - Italian Army

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/43851 /G-1(B)

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MMIA

Reference your AQ/6 of 31 Oct 44. — 3555

1. The case of Brigadier General MORO has been carefully considered here on a high level.

2. It is considered that a warning expression of displeasure, as suggested in your para 4(c), should be conveyed to this officer who should be informed that his conduct has been brought to the notice of Supreme Headquarters.

A.M. FINLAISON, Brigadier,
ADAG (O).,
for Major-General DAG.,
G-1(Br).

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PM/RA/PF 3561

Transmittal Slip.

Ref N. PRO/TS/30/2840

Subject Discipline.

From : Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command

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To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R A F.
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
HQ. A. C. C.
Commandant French Forces HQ.
D. A. D. CLAIMS.
OC. 111 Provost Coy.
OC 'T' Provost Coy.
OC 76 Section, S. I. B.
OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
MMIA., A.C.C.
ROME

For information 7/11 ✓
Necessary action, please ✓
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks

Forwarded herewith for your action & return please.

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Date 5/11/44

Signature Alan Charlton
Capt. & DAPM
for Lt. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Charlton)

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Subject: Discipline - Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
AG/6
5 Nov 44.

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The attached CRP Reports and statements are forwarded for onward transmission to the proper Authority, in order that the necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

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S.P.ARCHER Capt.
for AA & QMG.
M.M.I.A.

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro)
HQ 64 Garrison
Ref:Pro:3/2
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Subject:- Discipline - Italian Military

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

Attached Military Police reports are forwarded, 3 of 1 for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H R Denton).

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Subject: Motor Cycle Accidents - Italian Military Personnel - Claims.

Ref: CH/53/C/151.

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M.M.I.A.
ROME.

Your letter of 28 Oct 44 and enclosures have been passed to H.Q. Claims Commission for reply.

3 Nov 44.

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Captain.
Claims & Hirings Officer.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Civil Affairs Section
APO 394

AC/14601/11/PS 3 November 1944

SUBJECT : Carrying of Arms by Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Director Army Sub-Commission.

273 3rd Jacket.

1. Reference your AQ/6 dated 4 September 1944.

2. Attached for your information is copy of letter received from AFHQ G-5 Section dated 26 October 1944.

3. You will see that there is now no objection to the CC.RR carrying arms when off duty.

4. Will you please communicate this decision to the Ministry of War.

BY COMMAND OF COMMODORE STONE:

G.R. UPJOHN Brig
V.P., C.A. Section
Deputy Chief of Staff

WCB/jwf

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 091.711-11

28 October 1944

SUBJECT : Carrying of Arms by Italian Armed Forces.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your ACC/14601/11/PS of 3 October 1944.

2. There is no objection to the Carabinieri carrying arms when technically off duty.

3. It is understood that AAI who have agreed with 2 above (conversation Brigadier Mainwaring - Colonel Lewin-Harris confirmed) that the draft of the order issued 23 August by Army Sub-Commission (NMIA) was written by Brigadier Mainwaring at the request of the Army Sub-Commission as a guide NOT as an order.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

(signed)

T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel.

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Copy to:
HQ AAI (Att: Brigadier Mainwaring).

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Subject: Carrying of Arms.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6

1 Nov 44

To: A.F.H.Q. for G5

1. On the instructions of HQ AAI the order att at Appx A was issued to the Ministry for War.

2. The Minister has raised the following two points. As these are in effect amendments to the order issued on the express command of HQ AAI, I would request your instructions as to the reply I am to make.

(a) Arming of Military Truck Drivers.

Military truck drivers have been held up when driving loads of items of high value in the Black Market. Blocks of wood etc have been placed on the road and the truck robbed when held up. The request is for truck drivers to be armed when carrying such loads, or an armed guard to be placed on the truck which ever is most expedient.

(b) Arming of Civil Guards.

Owing to the low ceiling of Italian Adm Tps, an extensive use of civilian watchmen has been organised. The request is made for these guards to be armed while actually on duty. The arms would be left in the depot or handed over to the watchman taking over and not taken away by the watchman when he goes off duty.

3. While it is necessary to protect food and other depots against the organised and determined bands of thieves now operating in Italy, there are grave disadvantages in increasing the number of arms in possession of Italian personnel who are liable to resort to their use on slight provocation.

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Major General.
M. M. I. A.

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Army Sub Commission, MMIA,
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

AC/6
23 Aug 44.

THE MINISTER FOR WAR

Your Excellency,

1. On receipt of further orders from H.Q., AAI, my AC/6 dated 19 Aug is cancelled. The under-mentioned orders are substituted in lieu.

2. The Commander-in-Chief has directed me to inform you that he orders that immediate and drastic steps are taken to avoid the re-currence of disturbances such as have recently occurred in various parts of Italy, particularly in the BRINDISI and TARANTO areas.

3. In consequence you will forthwith issue clear and specific orders and insure that these are enforced to forbid any member of the Italian armed forces, situated behind Corps rear boundaries under any circumstances whatsoever when off duty outside their barracks or camp to carry any firearm, bayonet, knife or other weapon. This applies equally to members of the CC.RR.

4. This restriction does not preclude Italian troops carrying arms and ammunition for training purposes under their officers. The senior officer will be held personally responsible that arms are carried for training purposes are not discharged so as to cause injury to Allied personnel.

5. Arms and ammunition will only be carried by guards on installations where the guard has been specifically authorized by the local Allied Commander to be an armed guard.

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6. Allied Commanders are issuing orders to the local Italian Commanders as to which guards are to carry arms and ammunition. In any instance where in the opinion of the Italian Commander an armed guard is required, immediate application will be made to the local Allied Commander for the necessary authority before the guard is armed.

7. Severe disciplinary action will be taken by you if any Italian personnel off duty or on leave are found in possession of arms and/or ammunition. If it is necessary for Italian personnel in small parties when in transit to carry their arms, ammunition will be

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7. Severe disciplinary action will be taken by you if any Italian personnel off duty or on leave are found in possession of arms and/or ammunition. If it is necessary for Italian personnel in small parties when in transit to carry their arms, ammunition will be withdrawn and reissued if necessary upon arrival.

8. You will forward to me at once, for the information of the Commander-in-Chief, a draft of your proposed order.

tvs.LB.
S.C.

Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

Copy to: HQ AA (Adv HQ) ref 16/S/O (Ops) dated 21 Aug.
HQ AAI (Main HQ)
Public Safety Sub Commission, A.C.C.

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Subject: Discipline - 510(I) Smoke Coy.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AG/6

31 Oct 44

HQ 3 District

The attached copy translation of a report received from the Ministry of War is forwarded for your information, and any action you may deem necessary.

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

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Subject:- Discipline

Military Mission Italian Army
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31 Oct 44

A.F.H.Q. for G1(B)

1. I am sending you the attached C.M.P. report as it raises a question of principle on which I should like your guidance.

2. The Italian Brigadier General MORO is the Deputy Commander of the FOLGORE Combat Group which is now receiving British equipment and vehicles in the PIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE Area. He recently asked M.M.I.A. for a pass to bring his family down to ROME from the forward area, but this could not be given by M.M.I.A.

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(d) Disregard of the incident.

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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Internal Dist: Spec Sec.

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COPY
REPORT

Dist No 1 District.

OC 75 Coy CMP (TC)

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17.10.44

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17.10.44

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75 COY CMP (TC)

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Office of S/Lieut(Pro)
HQ 64 Garrison
Ref:Pro:5/2.
30 Oct 44.

M.M.I.A.
FILE REF
Date Recd

Subject:- Discipline-Italian Military.

To:- M.M.I.A.
Rome.

Attached Military Police report forwarded for information and necessary action, please.

Staff Lieut(Provost).
HQ 64 Garrison.
(H.R.Denton).

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Subject: Discipline - Italian Military Personnel.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6

29. Oct 44

H.Q.3 District
C.M.F.

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Ref your 146/1 of 22 Oct 44, addressed to G.O.C., 227 Italian Div.

May this HQ please be supplied with a copy of the reply you receive from G.O.C., 227 Italian Div, when it comes to hand.

S P Archer Capt.

~~E.F.~~NOAKES Lt.Col.
For Major General.
M. M. I. A.

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SPA/hh

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Translation

From Ast of W - SMRE.
To HMID.

Ref no 9/10520-305
Date 28 oct 44

Punishment inflicted for breach of censor

Accordingly with order issued in Para 'B' of letter 9/4777-305 of the 28 sept 44 we inform you that:

The following punishment have been awarded.

7 days strict arrest to - Cpl. TREVISO. POMPILIO. VER. 807
35 days C.B. to Capt. COLTRO ANTONIO .. 860
10 Days strict arrest to Lt. CASARINI GIULIO .. 861

No responsability was placed against PTE VALLONE CARLO (VER 858) and Pte. FATTORUSSO. CIRO (Ver 862) as their letters were posted according to rules to Military Post office n° 410 attached to the unit from which the soldier were dependent.

It has not been possible to place Lt. BALLONI CLEMENTE (Ver. 835) as his whereabouts not yet known.

Reference

SANTI

MT/mb.

M.M.I.A. AC
FILE REF 1
Date Recd 2-11-1

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI

SEZIONE POSTALE

N. 9//3520 -305 di prot./Serv. P. M. 151, li 28 ottobre 1944

Risposta al foglio N. 1/113 del 30-6-44 Allegati

OGGETTO: Evasioni alle norme sulla censura -

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.-M.M.I.A -
R O M A

Sciogliendo la riserva di cui alla lettera b) del foglio nº 9/4777-305/Serv. del 28 settembre scorso, si comunica :

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" 5	A.R.	al capitano	COLTRO	Antonio	" " 860
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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(A. Santi)

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Subject: Motor Cycle Accidents - Italian
Military Personnel - Claims

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6
28 October 1944

To : D.A.D. Claims
- R. A.A.C.-

1. The attached copy translation of a letter received from Italian Ministry of War and Pamphlet No. 782R, are forwarded for information.

2. Will you please return the pamphlet with your comments on the proposals set out in the above mentioned letter.

J P Archer Capt.
~~F. J. NOAKES, Lt Col~~, A D C.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

JGB/wk

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Translation

From: Ministry of War — Ref: No. 303128

To : M M I A — Date: 21 Oct. 1944

Further to letter 302116/CA 312-V-1 of the 5 Oct dealing with the motor accidents.

The matters regarding the M/C accidents are actually ruled for the Italian armed forces by orders contained in circular 782/R of which a copy is attached.

Giving the importance of the argument. The necessity to pay damages to the victims of the accident and to simplify the office work for the procedure and to hasten the settlement without loss of impartiality 2 solutions that MMIA may care to suggest, and communicate to us in place of the following:

1. Give to the Italian Government the power to know about and decide in regards of the M/C accidents accordingly to dispositions taken in circular 782/R.

In such cases the units concerned will make the necessary investigations so as to decide if the responsibility lies with the victim or the M/C rider.

After having determined the mutual responsibilities both parties will be asked to come to a peaceful settlement.

Adopting this procedure the eventual payment of damages to the victim would be met temporarily by the Italian administration who will ask to be refunded by the Allied admin. according to arrangements MMIA will make.

Should it not come to a settlement and the plaintif want to bring the case up to tribunal, the Italian administration will answer the summons. In case of death being the result the payment of the damages and the judicial course will be as for above.

2. Leave to the Allied authorities a free hand in dealing with the case and due investigations and relative settlement of the damages to the victims.

In such case the Italian Military authorities could give full collaboration to the Allied authorities for the necessary enquiries.

We are waiting to know the decision taken by MMIA in regards to this matter.

Sgd Gen. Oxilia

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Lt. C.C.T.'s Quarters.
A.D. Camp #15
APE.

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Partito Fascista Repubblicano

FASCIO ROMANO DI COMBATTIMENTO

Roma, li ..... *1943 XXI*

I Camerata .....

Paternità ..... Maternità .....

Data e luogo di nascita .....

Residente a ..... Via ..... n. .....

Telefono ..... professione .....

si è presentato oggi ed ha chiesto l'iscrizione al Partito Fascista Repubblicano.

p. IL COMMISSARIO DEL FASCIO ROMANO
(GINO BARDI)

Firma .....

Domicilio .....

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352/2

Subject:- Discipline

Liaison Officer,
Military Mission
Italian Army.
c/o HQ., I District.
LO/

27 Oct 44.

To:-Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.

M.M.I.A. FILE REF A2 61 Date Rec'd 7/11/44

N/R

Ref. ID/PRO/40 of 25 Oct 44.

2. As the Italian officer concerned is a divisional Vice Comandante, I am forwarding the attached C.M.P. report to you for information and action considered necessary.

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Capt.,
M.M.I.A., I D., I District.

Copy to:-DPM.,
I District.

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REPORT

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Subject:- Major TOLLY Giusto.

AQ/6
30/10

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FILPOT 219

3612/Q(AE)

27 Oct 44.

Field HQ I S 9,
c/o Florence Command,
C.M.F.

Copy to:- MMIA.

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your AQ/6 dated 21 Oct 44 refers

Reference your FW/2/48 dated 11 Oct 44.

The attached letter AQ/6 dated 21 Oct from MMIA is passed to you for necessary action.

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Capt

Major General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

DHB.

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Subject: Carrying of Arms by Lorry Drivers and Civilian Guards.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AG/6

27 Oct 44

To: MINISTRY OF WAR

The points raised in your 302801/CA 314-1V-2 of 21 Oct and 302017/CA 314-1V-2 of 20 Oct have been referred to higher authority for decision. — 342

F.J.Noakes

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

FJN/hh

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Subject: Measures to prevent Absence without Leave.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AG/6

27 Oct 44

To: MINISTRY OF WAR

343

Reference 302923/CA of 21 Oct 44.
317-V1-1

1. It is agreed that all possible measures should be taken to discourage the crime of Absence without Leave.

2. Personnel who are struck off the strength of Units after being absent for more than 30 days should, when apprehended, be posted to units in localities from which, owing to distance etc, it is most difficult to desert. from home

3. Owing to the difficulties of transportation, waste of working time, dislocation of work etc, it is not possible to initiate a large inter-unit transfer of personnel now in units who may have been absent without leave in the past for a period of under 30 days and thus still with their unit.

F.J. Noakes

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

FJN/hh

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel Discipline

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6
27 October 1944.

To : O.C. Italian Increment
SIM/CSDIC RAAC

Ref conversation Major Tate - Capt Archer

1. The correspondence and proceedings of Court of Inquiry in respect of lost tentage are returned herewith for endorsement of opinion of Commander of next higher formation.

2. Please return completed C of I Proceedings, when the case will be referred to Ministry of War for disciplinary action to be taken.

S P Archer Capt.

S. P. ARCHER, Capt,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Translation.

AQ/[redacted]6/1 [redacted]
Reg.- 30306/E.H.
Date.- 25 Oct. 44
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From:- III Corps.
To:- Comm. Int.

Subject.- Capt. EYLAND. Liaison Officer at 510th Smoke Coy. (ATM)

It has been reported to me the following facts which occured on 6th Oct at the 510 Smoke Coy, c/o 427th Domain.

At total number of soldiers, 15 in all, reported sick and were waiting transport to be conveyed to "Italia" Camp where they had to be visited by the M.O., when they were intercepted by L.O. Capt. EYLAND who, though not interpreter, protested against the fact too great number of soldiers reporting sick.

The Liaison officer ordered Captain Pappalardo, who is actually in command of the company, to parade the 15 soldiers and asked them the reason why they reported sick.

Private TORRESI Antonio, who had been excluded from the sick parade by Capt. EYLAND, walked away and stopped at a distance to watch what was going to happen next while the L.O. approached him and after saying something or

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Fante TARCHESI Antonio, who had been excluded from the sick parade by Capt. EYLAND, walked away and stopped at a distance to watch what was going to happen next while the L.O. approached him and after saying something in English slapped his face.

Fante TARCHESI did not react at all and walked away suffering from what was done to him.

Capt. Paffalardo strongly protested and the L.O. after taking the commander's particulars, left the camp.

May main take the necessary disciplinary action against Capt. EYLAND for his misbehaviour and, taking this opportunity, substitute him with a new to obtain a better result from this unit.

Lt. FABRE.

Cmd Sect
to AFHQ
2310 SA

Gen. G.B. ERSKINE

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VE/bo MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot N° 203076/C.A. *Allegati* ___ *Roma,* 29 ottobre 1944

Risposta al f.to del ___ *Div.* ___ *Sez.* ___ *N°* ___

OGGETTO: Capitano EYLAND, ufficiale di collegamento presso la 510ª compagnia nebbiogeni -

bpl Eyland Liaison Officer with 510 Coy

Al LA M.M.I.A. Brnch Coy

ROMA

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Mi viene riferito il seguente episodio avvenuto il 6 ottobre presso la 510ª compagnia nebbiogeni, dipendente dalla 227ª divisione.

Mentre i militari chiedenti visita medica, in numero di 18, attendevano l'autocarro per essere trasportati al campo "Italia" dove doveva effettuarsi la visita, interveniva l'ufficiale alleato di collegamento presso la compagnia, capitano EYLAND, che a mezzo dell'interprete protestava per il numero eccessivo dei chiedenti visita.

Presente il Comandante interinale della compagnia, capitano PAPPALARDO, l'ufficiale di collegamento ordinava di far passare in riga i 18 militari che interrogava sul male per cui avevano chiesto visita.

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Il Capitano PAPPALARDO protestava vivamente e l'ufficiale alleato dopo aver chiesto le sue generalità lasciava il campo.

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Al LA M.M.I.A. Bundi 60

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA 3648
(Gen.G.B.Oxilia)

G. Oxilia

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Subject :- Discipline - Italian Army

3 District
Ext 97
146/1
22 Oct 44

A48/60

2H/10

GOC
227 Italian Div

HQ MMLA
MMLA LO'3 Dist

The attached copy of a report from COO 16 BAD is forwarded with the request that you will give the matter referred to therein your immediate personal attention and will report to this HQ the action taken against the officer and men concerned.

3 Dist
Returned (w copy)
227 Div
A Coo
Report SPS
29/10

CREK/sjh

Maj-Gen
Comd

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See folio 354

Subject : - Discipline - Mishandling of Ammunition D 1/9/1.

OC
503 Italian Smoke Company

1. On the 16th October at approximately 1400 - 1500 hrs, lorries Nos. 1832 and 1455 were off-loading 6 pdr. 7 cwt ammunition on M/YA (Strada Militaire) Road in No 1 Sub-Depot.

2. The drivers of the lorries backed into the ditch, and the lorry crews, which consisted entirely of Italian Military personnel from your Company proceeded to throw the ammunition off the lorry onto the ground.

3. When told, by the Italian Military Storeman to off-load the ammunition in a proper manner and to stack it in accordance with Depot Regulations, the crews refused to do so, and threatened the Italian Storeman, using foul language.

4. When these facts were reported to the Officer in charge of the Depot, he went to the spot with the IOO and inspected the ammunition. A number of loose rounds were found scattered on the ground, having fallen from their boxes, and a number of boxes were badly damaged. All this ammunition was a new receipt from the Docks and had just arrived from the UK in perfect condition.

5. Disciplinary action is being taken against the two lorry drivers concerned by the OC 422 Arty Coy, RASC for disobedience of Depot Regulations concerning the positioning of lorries on this road.

6. The following names have been obtained of men of your Company who are known to have been on these lorries at the time : -

Lorry No 1822	MATERA	Lorry No 1855	RIEZO	3646
	BENEVENTO		VENERI	
	VENERI			
	ZEGGA			
	GAETANO			

7. It has not been possible to obtain the names of all the men concerned nor further identification details of the seven named above, since the Italian Officer with the Company has been completely obstructive and has flatly refused to do anything to help in identifying the men, in fact he has gone out of his way to prevent my Officers and NCOs from identifying

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8. On the same day (16 Oct 44) at PALMA railhead, the soldiers named below were instructed to load a lorry with ammunition from a railway truck. Instead of stacking it correctly in the lorry, they threw it in, damaging a number of boxes. A British Private Storeman Checker tried to prevent this, but the men refused to take any notice of him, and it was not until the Serjeant was called and stood over the gang with a whip that they would behave properly.

9. The men were : -

Cpl Major.	PASQUALE GUISEPPE
Solds.	SPINAGGI BIASIO STRAMIELLO DOMENICO GAVONE GIOVANNI FILOMENO DOMENICO BECCALI LUIGI

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10. On 18 October on M/C road, an undentified lorry was off-loading 4.2in Mortar, with an Italian Military crew from your Company. The crew again threw the ammunition off the lorry and refused to pay any attention to the remonstrances of the Italian Military Storeman Checker. On this occasion, the Italian Civilian Capo Squadra of the Civilian Labour gang working in the vicinity also joined with the Checker in an attempt to stop this mis-handling of ammunition, but was threatened. The Depot Instructions were read out in Italian to this gang, but no notice was taken. Again many boxes of ammunition were damaged beyond repair.

11. I am trying to obtain further details of the lorry number and names of the men concerned on this last occasion, but they are not at present available.

12. This mis-handling of ammunition by the soldiers of your Company is a daily occurrence and the three instances I have quoted above are only a few of the worst which have been brought to my notice.

13. There have recently been complaints from the troops in forward fighting areas that quantities of ammunition are being received in an unserviceable condition due to the fact that the boxes have been damaged in transit, and the ammunition has become wetted and useless.

14. Very strenuous efforts have been made in this Depot to reduce the bad handling of ammunition to a minimum. Any British soldier who permits ammunition to be mis-handled is severely punished. Any Italian Civilian Capo Squadra whose gang mishandles ammunition is immediately dismissed, and black-listed. Any Italian civilian who mis-handles ammunition is punished by a heavy fine on the first occasion, and is dismissed, forfeiting all arrears of pay, and black-listed on any second occasion.

15. My efforts to reduce this gross-mishandling of ammunition are being completely frustrated by the disgraceful conduct of the Italian Military personnel of your Company. Their behaviour has scandalised the lowest paid civilian labourer who works on my ammunition lines, and there have been many comments from the labourers about their conduct.

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16. This mishandling of ammunition by your men amounts to sabotage.

17. I want you to have the men whose names I have given placed immediately under arrest and brought to trial in accordance with your procedure on a charge of sabotage. I want the most drastic punishment to be inflicted upon these men, and I will supply all witnesses and samples of damaged boxes as evidence at the trial.

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17. I want you to have the men whose names I have given placed immediately under arrest and brought to trial in accordance with your procedure on a charge of sabotage. I want the most drastic punishment to be inflicted upon these men, and I will supply all witnesses and samples of damaged boxes as evidence at the trial.

18. You will note that I am sending a copy of this letter to higher authorities and it is certain that they will require to know exactly what is being done to bring home to these men and to all others in your Company that conduct of this sort will not be tolerated.

In the Field,
19 Oct 44.
LEB/AA/P

(Sgd) L.E. BALL, Lt Col.,
Chief Ordnance Officer, No 16 BAD.

Copy to FCLU
ADL 'D' Team
ADOS 56 Area
DDOS 3 District
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Subject: Discipline - Italian Military Personnel.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/6

22 Oct 44

H.Q.70 Sub Area,
C.M.F.

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Receipt is acknowledged of your 70SA/208/143/A of 16 Oct, together with enclosures, which is receiving attention.

S.P.Archer Capt.

S.P.ARCHER Capt.
For Major General.
M.M.I.A.

SPA/hh

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Subject: Deserters - Italian Military Personnel.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/11/3 ——— 496.

22 Oct 44

MMIA LO
HQ 1 District

Ref your letter dated 5th Oct.

1. The Ministry of War has now issued a decree by the terms of which, authority is given for extraordinary Courts Martial to be convened by Commanders of Military Garrisons having the rank of General, where there is no Div. HQ or higher unit within the Garrison area.

2. These Courts Martial are empowered to try any case which is punishable by detention, which class includes both A.W.O.L. and Desertion.

3. These Courts Martial will obviate the intolerable length of time between the date of offence and the date of trial by the Tribunale Militare.

4. A further decree is in the process of being drafted which will give increased disciplinary punishments.

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F.J.HOAKES Lt.Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
M. M. I. A.

SPA/hh

Copy to: AQ/6.

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Translation

From M.D.G.W.
to M.M.I.A.

Ref. N° 303128
Date 21 oct 44
357/1 (14/6/1)

Further to letter 30211 G/CA 312.V-1 of the 5 oct dealing with the Motor accidents.

The matters regarding the M/C accidents are actualy ruled for the Italian armed forces by orders contained in circular 782/R of which a copy is attached.

Among the Importance of the Argument, the necessity to pay damages to the victims of the accident, and to simplify the office work for the procedure and to hasten the settlement without loss of impartiality. 2 solutions can be adopted, not withstanding any solutions that M.M.I.A. may care to suggest, and communicate to us, in place of the following. 3042

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necessity to pay damages to the victims of the accident. and to simplify the office work for the procedure and to hasten the settlement without loss of impartiality 2 solutions can be adopted, not withstanding any solutions that MMIA may care to suggest, and communicate to us, inspired 3042 of the followings.

1 Give to the Italian Gov. the power to know about and decide in regards of the M/c. accidents accordingly to dispositions taken in cir. 782.R

In such cases the units concerned will make the necessary investigations so as to precise if the responsibility lies with the victim or the M/c rider.

after having determined the mutual responsabilities the counterparts will be asked to come to a peacefull settlement.

adopting this procedure the eventual payment of damages to the victim would be myt

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temporarily by the Italian administration, who will ask to be refunded by the allied admin. according to arrangements MMIA will make

should it not come to a settlement and the plaintiff want to bring the case up to tribunal. The Italian Administration will answer the summons. In case of death being the result the payment of the damages and the juridical course will be as for above.

12) Leave to the allied authorities a free hand in. Dealing with the case and due investigation and relative settlement of the damages to the victims

In such case the Italian military authorities could give full collaboration to the allied authorities for the necessary enquiries.

We are waiting to know the decision taken by MMIA in regards to this matter.

R Memorandum. OXILIA.

9/4 S.D.H.Q. Allied RAAC. 2.8/10

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

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Prot. N° 302116/C.A. Segreto
312-IV-5

Roma, 21 ottobre 1944

Risposta al f.del ... Div. ... Sez. ... N° ...

OGGETTO: Investimenti automotociclistici da parte di militari alleati -
Motorcycle accidents by Allied Military.

Al LA M.M.I.A.
ROMA

Seguito lettera 302116/C.A. del 5 corrente limitatamente
312-V-1
alla parte riguardante gli incidenti automobilistici.

La materia riguardante gli investimenti automotociclistici è attualmente regolata per le forze armate italiane dalle disposizioni contenute nella circ. 782/R.to in data 21 agosto del 1931 del Ministero Guerra che,a titolo di consultazione,si acclude in copia.

Data l'importanza dell'argomento,la necessità di corrispondere un indennizzo alle vittime di tali incidenti ed allo scopo di semplificare al massimo la parte burocratica della procedura e rendere spediti quanto più possibile gli accertamenti,senza nulla perdere della loro serietà ed imparzialità, due soluzioni potrebbero essere adottate,salvo bene inteso quelle altre soluzioni che codesta Missio-

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1°) affidare alle autorità militari italiane il compito di conoscere e di decidere in merito agli investimenti automotociclistici,in base alle disposizioni contenute nella citata circolare 782/R.to.

In tal caso gli enti competenti provvederebbero a svolgere la necessaria inchiesta amministrativa,allo scopo di precisare le

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responsabilità sia dell'investito,sia dell'investitore.

Stabilite le responsabilità,verrebbero avviate trattative con la controparte,previo parere della competente avvocatura dello Stato, al fine di addivenire ad un componimento bonario della vertenza.

Adottando tale procedura,la eventuale liquidazione dei danni all'investito graverebbe provvisoriamente sulla amministrazione italiana,la quale richiederebbe,a suo tempo, il rimborso delle somme complessivamente erogate all'amministrazione alleata,con quelle modalità che codesta Missione vorrà compiacersi far conoscere.

Qualora non fosse possibile addivenire ad una bonaria transazione e la parte lesa volesse avvalersi del diritto di adire le vie giudiziarie, risponderebbe in giudizio l'amministrazione italiana. In caso di soccombenza,il pagamento degli indennizzi e delle spese di giudizio verrebbe effettuato e successivamente rimborsato con le modalità di cui sopra.

2°)Rimettere alla competenza delle autorità militari alleate la trattazione delle pratiche inerenti agli investimenti di cui trattasi e la relativa liquidazione degli indennizzi agli interessati.

In tal caso le autorità militari italiane potrebbero, se richieste,collaborare con gli organi alleati,per l'espletamento delle necessarie indagini.

Resto in attesa di conoscere le decisioni che codesta

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Gen.G.B.Oxilia)

G. Oxilia

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C.E.A. 5/40. 20.000.

Army Form A.2.

*N.B.—The Form being applicable to any Board, or Committee, or Court of Inquiry, his blank to be filled in accordingly.

The proceedings should be signed by the President and by each Member of the Board, etc.

Attention is particularly drawn to the Rules for Courts of Inquiry contained in Rules of Procedure 124-125A, and especially to Rule 125A(B); also to paragraph 733, et seq., King's Regulations, 1928.

PROCEEDINGS of a* Court of Inquiry

assembled at Battery Headquarters, 152/51st Hy.A.A.Regt., R.A.

on the Sixteenth Day of July Nineteen Forty-four at 1000 hrs.

by order of Lt.Col. C.L. Harrison, T.D., R.A., Commanding Officer, 51st (Ldn) Hy.A.A. Regt.R.A.

for the purpose of investigating the circumstances under which 178,907 Gnr.Bute, W. sustained fatal injuries on 8th July 1944 at about 1245 hours.

PRESIDENT.

143011 Capt.S.E.Wands, R.A. 152/51st (Ldn) Hy.A.A.Regt.R.A.

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IN ATTENDANCE.

The Court having assembled pursuant to order, proceed to take the evidence.

1st. Witness
1781996 Gnr. Baldwin,J.
On the 8th.July 1944 I was a member of a leave party of "A"Troop 152/51st Fy.A"A. Regt.R.A. At about 1545 hrs. I and four others, one of which was 1781907 Gunner Bute,J. were returning to "A"Troop site along the Pescara-Chieti Road. We had just passed the junction of the main road and the Pescara River crossing road and were proceeding along the verge of the right hand side of the main road. We were in single file and I was leading. I had passed some furniture stacked on the verge of the road about 400 feet from the road junction when I noticed two 3 ton vehicles proceeding towards Pescara on the other side of the road.

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About 20 yards from me the second 3 ton vehicle swung out to pass the first vehicle and passed within a yard of me. After a few paces I turned round to look for my companions and noticed one of them lying at the edge of the road. I went back and discovered it was 1784907 Gnr.Bute,W.

1st Question :- How far in front of Gunner Bute,W.were you at the time of the accident ?
Answer:- About 10 feet.
2nd Question:- How fast was the vehicle that swung out going ?
Answer:- About 25-30 miles per hour.
3rd Question:- How far on to the tarmac of the road was the furniture projecting ?
Answer:- Just touching the tarmac.
4th Question:- Was it possible to pass on the inside of the furniture ?
Answer:- No. It extended to the edge of a garden wall.
5th Question:- Do you think that this sketch (Appx A) is a fair representation?
Answer:- Yes, but I did not see the small vehicle.

Signed. J.BALDWIN No.1781936

2nd.Witness.

1532269 L/Bdr.Boyce.R.E.. On the 8th July 1944 I, one of the local leave party from "A"Troop, 152/51st Hy.A.A.Regt.R.A. was returning to Camp along the Pescara -Chieti Road along with four others, on(of which was 1784907 Gnr.Bute,W. We were proceeding on the verge of the right hand side of the road in the direction of Chieti and had just passed the junction of the Pescara River Crossing road and the main road. I was three or four feet in fron of Gnr.ButeW. I was passing some furniture stacked round a tree on the verge of the road when I suddenly noticed a 3 ton vehicle swing out to pass another 3 ton vehicle on the other side of the road. I had to throw myself on to the furniture to avoid being struck by this vehicle. When I turned round I saw Gnr.Bute,W. lying on the verge of the road with his feet on the edge of the tarmac. I ran towards the Italian soldier on points duty at the road junction and he stopped the vehicle. I noticed that the driver was an Italian in blue overalls. I proceeded to B.H.Q. 152/51st Hy.A.A. Regt.,R.A.,nearby for the Medical Orderly,Bdr.Boxley,whom I met on the road.

1st Question:- Was the furniture projecting on to the tarmac of the road.
Answer:- I do not think so.
2nd Question:- How fast was the vehicle going?
Answer:- Approximately 35 miles per hour.
3rd Question:- Were you on the tarmac of the road?when the vehicle passed you ?
Answer:- I was off the tarmac on the narrow strip between the tarmac and the grass verge.
4th Question:- Do you consider this sketch (Appx A) a fair representation?
Answer:- Yes,but I did not see the small vehicle.

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Answer:- Approximately 35 miles per hour.
3rd Question:- Were you on the tarmac of the road?when the vehicle passed you ?
Answer:- I was off the tarmac on the narrow strip between the tarmac and the grass verge.
4th Question:- Do you consider this sketch (Appx A) a fair representation?
Answer:- Yes,but I did not see the small vehicle.

Signed. L/Bdr.L.J.Boyce. 1532289.

3rd.Witness.
879924 Sgt.Butler,P.G., 153/51st.Hy.A.A.Regt.,R.A.
On the 8th July 1944 I was in charge of a Ford 3 ton vehicle driven by 1497788 Gnr. Hutton,E.J. At about 1545 hrs. we were proceeding along the Pescara- Chieti road in the direction of Pescara. About 100 yards before we reached the junction of the main road and the Pescara River Crossing road I noticed the Italian soldier on point duty at the road junction signalling our traffic to stop. We slowed down and I gave the slow down signal for traffic coming up behind. I heard a vehicle coming up behind so I held my hand out rigidly in the stop signal. The vehicle proceeded to overtake us and I noticed the first two of four or five soldiers walking in single file on the other side of the road step sharply off the edge of the road. They were proceeding in the Chieti direction and walking on the verge of the road. The vehicle proceeded to overtake another vehicle about 20 yards in front of us. As the vehicle passed the file of soldiers I noticed one of them being thrown in the air, though my view of the actual contact was obscured by the vehicle. In spite of the points man's signals to stop the vehicle did not stop until passed the road junction. I recognised two of the soldiers as belonging to 152/51 Hy.A.A.Regt.R.A. and discovered that it was Gnr.Bute,W. who had been knocked down.

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1st Question:- At what speed were you travelling when the other vehicle passed you ?

Answer:- We had slowed down to about 12 miles per hour.

2nd.Question:- At what speed do you consider the overtaking vehicle to have been travelling ?

Answer:- At least 30 miles per hour.

3rd.Question:- What type of vehicle overtook you and who was it driven by ?

Answer:- It was a 3 ton vehicle loaded with Italian civilians and military personnel. It was driven by an Italian wearing overalls

4th Question:- Was the road dry or not at the time ?

Answer:- Dry.

5th Question:- Was the furniture projecting on to the tarmac of the road ?

Answer:- No

6th Question:- Do you consider this sketch (AppxA) a fair representation ?

Answer:- Yes, but I did not see the small vehicle.

7th Question:- How far was your vehicle from the verge of the road at the time of the accident ?

Answer:- The near wheels were approximately two feet from the edge of the tarmac.

Signed Sgt.P.G.Butler No.879924

4th.Witness.

879547 Gnr.Jones.G. 153/51st.Hy.A.A.Regt.,R.A.

On the 8th.July 1944 I was travelling on a 3 ton Ford, which was in charge of Sgt.Butler,P.G., along the Pescara-Chieti Road in the direction of Pescara. The canopy of our vehicle was folded forward and I was standing on a seat at the rear of the vehicle. About 100 yards short of the junction of the main road and Pescara River Crossing Road our vehicle started to slow down and I noticed Sgt. Butler giving the slow down signal. I turned round and noticed a 3 ton Bedford driven by an Italian close behind us. It was travelling at 25-30 miles per hour and it swung out to pass us. I noticed a party of British soldiers walking along the verge of the road on the other side in the Chieti direction. They were in single file. I saw that two of them had passed some furniture stacked off the road and not projecting on the tarmac. The overtaking vehicle obscured the furniture but I saw one soldier thrown in the air, and after the vehicle had passed the furniture this soldier was lying on the verge of the road with his feet towards the centre.

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1st Question:- Did you see how many people were sitting in the cab of the vehicle driven by the Italian ?

Answer:- There was an Italian officer sitting beside the driver.

2nd Question:- How close to the edge of the road was your vehicle at the time of the accident ?

Answer:- We were very close to the verge as I had to stand on the left side of the vehicle to avoid the overhanging trees.

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2nd Question:- How close to the edge of the road was your vehicle at the time of the accident ?

Answer:- We were very close to the verge as I had to stand on the left side of the vehicle to avoid the overhanging trees.

3rd Question:- How close to your vehicle was the Italian vehicle as it passed you ?.

Answer:- It was well clear of us as the load of Italian civilians and soldiers had swung him over to his left.

4th Question:- Do you think that this sketch (Appx A) is a fair representation ?

Answer:- I do, but I did not see the small vehicle.

Signed Gnr JONES.C. No. 879547

5th.Witness.

1529646 Bdr.Boxley.S.J.

I am Medical Orderly at B.H.Q. 152/51st.Hy.A.A.Regt.R.A. At about 1555 hrs on 8th.July 1944 a civilian came to B.H.Q. on a bicycle and told me there had been an accident at the junction of the main Pescara-Chieti Road and the Pescara River Crossing Road. I proceeded to the scene of the accident where I found 1784907 Gnr.Bute.W., whom I recognised, lying at the side of the road with his head off the tarmac and his feet towards the centre of the road. I considered that he was dead. At this juncture a 3 ton vehicle with stretcher arrived from B.H.Q. and I took him to the 22nd Mobile Field Hospital, D.A.F. where he was pronounced dead by the duty Officer.

Signed Bdr S.BOXLEY 1529646.

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Certified True Copy of Death Certificate at Appx B

Court adjourned until 1000 hours 17th July 1944.

The Court having reassembled proceeded to the evidence. The interpreter Mrs Helen Mori was sworn-in in accordance with Rules of Procedure Appx I1 (3)

Sixth Witness.
2425 Cpl.Dalbo Alfredo di Virgini, 541 Regt Ftr 447 Bty Bersaglievi.
On the 8th.July 1944 I was driving a Bedford 3 ton vehicle along the Pescara-Chieti road in the direction of Pescara. Between 1530 and 1600 hrs. we reached a point 30 or 40 metres short of the junction of the main Pescara-Chieti road and the Pescara River Bridge Road. I was following a 3 ton vehicle and a small military car. The 3 ton vehicle signalled that it was slowing down, the small military vehicle made a similar signal and then proceeded to pass the 3 tonner. I followed the small military vehicle and pulled out to the left to pass the 3 tonner. I noticed five British soldiers walking in single file on the left hand side of the road in the direction of Chieti. There was furniture stacked on the verge of the road at the place they were passing. They were walking on the asphalt so I sounded my horn. Four of them stepped off the road. I was not aware that anything had happened until I felt a bump and the Italian Military Policeman on points duty signalled me to stop. I stopped about 15 metres beyond the road junction.

1st Question:- How far on to the asphalt were the soldiers ?
Answer:- The soldier that was struck was about a metre from the edge of the tarmac (asphalt).
2nd Question:- At what speed were you travelling when the accident occurred ?
Answer:- At about 20 kilometres per hour.
3rd Question:- How far behind the small military vehicle were you and how far behind the 3 tonner was the small military vehicle ?
Answer:- The small military vehicle was about 15 to 20 metres behind the 3 tonner and I was about 30 metres behind the small military vehicle.
4th Question:- Do you consider this sketch (Appx A) a fair representation?
Answer:- Yes, but I did not see the first three tonner shown in the sketch.
5th Question:- Do you know which part of your vehicle hit the soldier ?
Answer:- Yes. From the blood marks he was struck by the front of the bodywork behind the cab

Signed Cpl DALBO ALFREDO No.2425 3038

I certify that this is a true statement interpreted by me at B.H.Q. 152 H.A.A. Battery on Monday 17 July 1944

Signed HELEN MORI.

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the tarmac (asphalt).

2nd Question:- At what speed were you travelling when the accident occurred ?
Answer:- At about 20 kilometres per hour.
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Answer:- The small military vehicle was about 15 to 20 metres behind the 3 tonner and I was about 30 metres behind the small military vehicle.
4th Question:- Do you consider this sketch (Appx A) a fair representation?
Answer:- Yes, but I did not see the first three tonner shown in the sketch.
5th Question:- Do you know which part of your vehicle hit the soldier ?
Answer:- Yes. From the blood marks he was struck by the front of the bodywork behind the cab

Signed Cpl DALBO ALFREDO No.2425 3038

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Signed HELEN MORI.

Seventh Witness.

5834 - 35 - 1907 Vicebrigadire Pettinelli Francesco, 702 Sizione Mista CC.R.R. On 8th.July 1944, I was travelling on a Bedford 3 ton vehicle No.517125 along the Pescara-Chieti road in the direction of Pescara. I was sitting in the cab on the left hand side of the driver. There were approximately 12 carabinieri and Italian soldiers on the back of the vehicle. At about 1550 hrs. we reached a point approximately 30 metres short of the junction of the Pescara-Chieti road and the Pescara River Bridge road. We were following a small military vehicle, which was following a military vehicle about the same size as the Bedford. I cannot say whether the large military vehicle has stopped or was going slowly; but the small military vehicle pulled out to pass the large one and we followed it. I noticed five or six British soldiers walking along the left hand side of the road in the Chieti direction. The soldiers were walking in file on the edge of the asphalt and passing some furniture stacked on the verge of the road. When the driver sounded his horn I noticed that most of the soldiers [illegible] stepped on to the verge of the road, but what happened to the man who was struck I do not know. We felt a bump but did not know what had happened until told to stop by the passengers on the vehicle and signalled to do so by the Italian policeman on points duty at the road junction.

1st Question:- Who was the driver of your vehicle ?
Answer:- Cpl.Dalbo Alfredo di Virgini.
2nd Question:- At what speed were you travelling at the time of the accident ?
Answer:- At approximately 50 kilometres per hour.
3rd Question:- Do you consider this sketch (Appx A) a fair representation ?.

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Answer:- Yes, but I did not see the first 3 tonner shown in the sketch.

4th Question:- Did you see any soldiers standing on the back of the large military vehicle in front ?

Answer:- No, I was looking at the soldiers walking on the edge of the road.

Signed.PETTINELLI FRANCESCO VICEBRIGADIERE (5834 - 35 - 1907)

I certify that this is a true statement interpreted by me at B.H.Q. 152 H.A.A.Battery on Monday 17 July 1944

Signed HELEN MORI

4th Witness recalled.

879547 Gnr.Jones.C. 153/51st.Hy.A.A.Regt.,R.A.

Question:- Did you see a small vehicle in front of the Bedford driven by the Italian, which passed your vehicle just before the Bedford?

Answer:- No.

Signed Gnr JONES.C. 879547

3rd Witness recalled.

879924 Sgt.Butler.P.G. 153/51st Hy.A.A.Regt.,R.A.

Question:- Did you see a small vehicle pass you immediately in front of the Italian Bedford ?

Answer No

Signed P.G.Butler Sgt No. 879924

2nd Witness recalled.

1532289 L/Bdr Boyce,R.E. 152/51st Hy.A.A.Regt., R.A.

Question:- Did a small vehicle pass you just before the Bedford driven by the Italian.

Answer:- NO

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Signed L.J.Boyce No.1532289.

1st Witness recalled

1761936 Gnr Baldwin.J. 152/51st Hy.A.A.Regt.,R.A.

Question:- Did a small vehicle pass you just before the Bedford driven by the Italian ?

Answer:- No

Signed J.BALDWIN

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Italian Bedford ?

Answer No

Signed P.C.Butler Sgt No. 879924

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C.R.Hall Lt.R.A. Member
J.Henderson R.S.M. Member.

Having read the evidence I have come to the conclusion that c 425 Col.Da lbe, Alfredo di Virgini, 541 Regt Ftr 447 Bty Bersaglievi drove the 5 Ton Bedford Truck in question without due c are and a ttention and at an excessive speed, being directly responsible f or the death of 1784907 Gnr.Bute,W.

(sgd.) C.L.HARRISON
Lt.Col.RA.

29 July 1944.

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I agree with the opinion of the Commanding Officer 51st(London) HAA Regt and consider that No. 2425 Cpl. DALBO' ALFREDO di VIRGINI 541 Regt FTR 447 Bty BERSAGLIERI was to blame for the accident which resulted in the death of No. 1784907 Gnr. BUTE, W., 152/51st HAA Regt RA.

Field
7 Aug '44

(Sgd) H.M.J. McINTYRE, Brigadier,
Commander, 2 A.A. Brigade.

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APPENDIX B

22 Mobile Field Hospital D.A.F. 9.7.44

Reference : 178907 Gnr BUTE.W.

This man was brought to this hospital at approx 1610 hrs on the 8th July 1944.
He was seen by me and pronounced dead.
Cause of death: Fractured Base of the skull with intracranal haemorrhage.

Signed D.W.GALB F/Lt
Medical Officer 22 M.F.H.

Certified a true copy as forwarded to 509 Provost Company H.Q.

Signed S.FORD Sgt
509 Prov.Coy.

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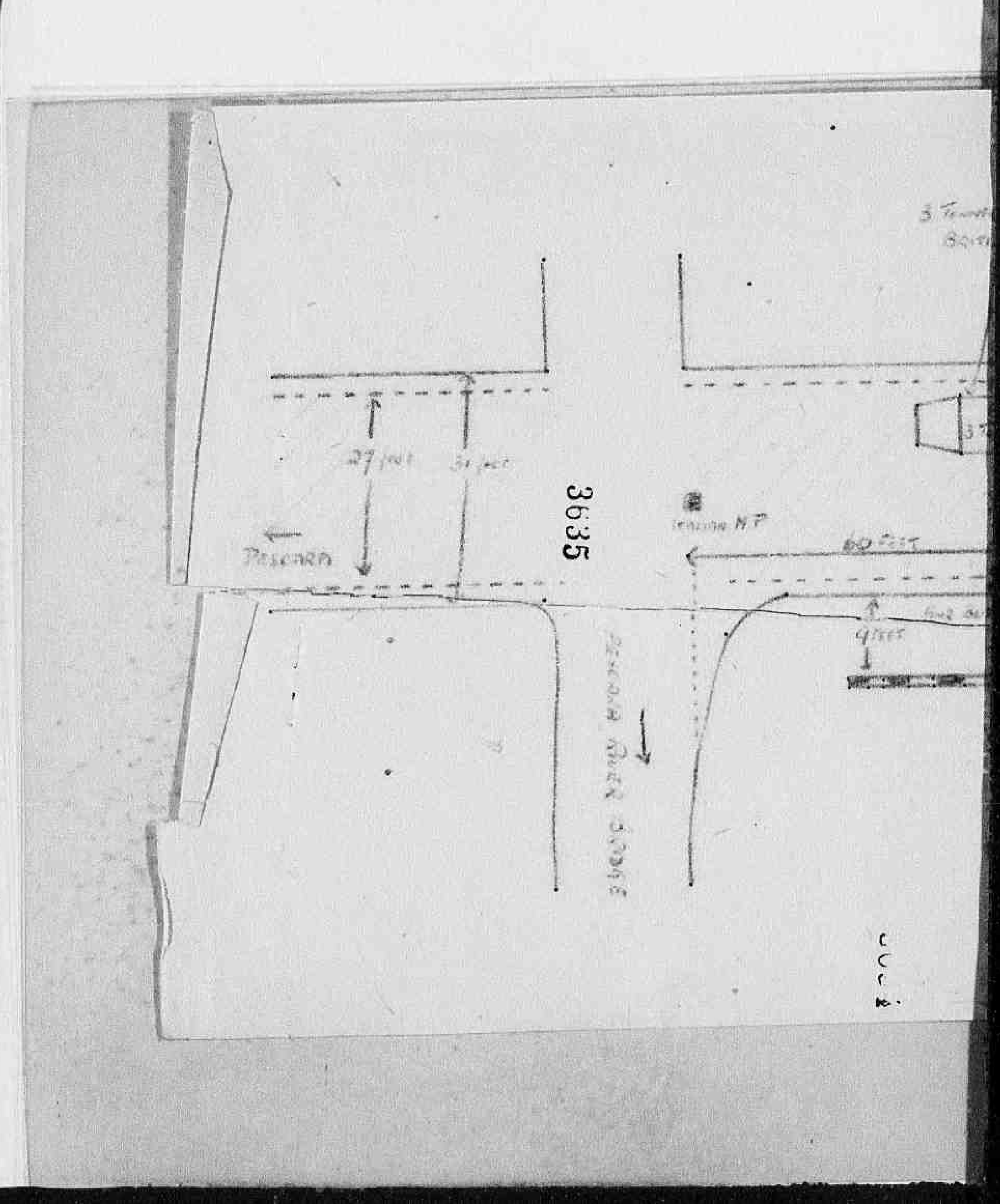

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APPENDIX A

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SUBJECT: Major TOLLOY Giusto

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
AQ/G
21 Oct 44

AAI(2)

Copy to: Patriots Branch HQ A.C

1. It is understood that Major Giusto TOLLOY, Italian Army, was ordered to proceed to ROME (vide copy of instructions attached).

2. It is reported that he is endeavouring to obtain boots and clothing for the 8th Brigata Garibaldi Romagnola, operating on Eighth Army front and is meeting with no success. The procedure for the supply and maintenance of the Italian Army is laid down in this HQ Administrative Instruction No 12 S/AQ/5 of 12 Oct 44.

3. As it would seem that this Italian officer is wasting his time and Allied petrol and vehicle depreciation, the above information is passed to you for any action you may have to take.

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Major General
M.M.I.A.

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FIELD HEADQUARTERS I.S.9
c/o Florence Command - C.M.F.

11 OCTOBER, 1944

REF : F.H/2/3

TO : C.M.P.
F.S.S.

Major TOLLOY, Giusto.

1. The above-named Italian, the bearer of this pass, is employed by this HQ.

2. He is proceeding to Rome on 12 October on special duty for this HQ.

3. Please allow him to proceed unhindered.

4. Any questions regarding him should be referred to this HQ.

5. He is in possession of an Identity card, No. 12,453,981 issued at CATTOLICA on 21.10.43.

P.A. Brown Capt
for J.B. FITTINGHAM - MAJOR, G.S.

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Translation

From M of W
To M M i A.

Ref n° 30248/c 19
Date 21 oct 44

Measure taken to avoid a.w.o.l.

Following disporitions taken some time ago. a soldier who absent himself without leave from his unit and has his family in the area he will be transfered to an other unit stationned far from the former

Owing to the facts that such method is very successful and therefor on demand of SM we beg M M i A to authorise such transfer. this could be almost an exchange of military who have broken this regulations between two units or more thus not causing any alteration of strength 3044 in any unit

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B for the units working for the American army the troops located in TOSCANA (210 div and 212 Italian command) could be exchanged for other troops in CAMPANIA (same 212 Italian Command).

R Mamfredi

Ver Comd 4th 27th ARMY

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TU/ca.

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

M.M. A. / FILERF / Declassified 22/10

Prot N° 302928/C.A. 317-VI-1 *Allegati*

Risposta al f/del

Roma, 21 ottobre 1944

Div. *Sez.* *N°*

OGGETTO: Misure per prevenire assenze arbitrarie

Measures to prevent Absences

ALLA M.M.I.A. ROMA

e,per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO

Ispettorato Truppe Ausiliarie P.M.151

(rif.f.4797 del 13 corr.)

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1. Secondo disposizioni vigenti nel passato,il militare che si assentava arbitrariamente dal reparto ed aveva la famiglia nella zona, veniva trasferito ad altro reparto dislocato in regione lontana dal primo.

2. Ritengo che tale sistema sia efficace e pertanto,su analoga proposta dello Stato Maggiore,prego di autorizzare tali trasferimenti. Essi praticamente potrebbero effettuarsi per scambio,tra un reparto e l'altro,dei militari che si rendono colpevoli di assenze arbitrarie. In tal modo la forza dei reparti non subirebbe varianti.

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3. In particolare:

a)- per i reparti alle dipendenze di impiego dell'esercito britannico:
- i militari dislocati nelle Marche (228^ div.e 1° District) potrebbero essere scambiati con altri dislocati in Puglia (2° District) o Campania (3° District).

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- i militari dislocati in Toscana (210^ Div.e Com.Italiano 212) potrebbero essere scambiati con altri dislocati in Campania (stesso Comando Italiano 212) .-

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Gen.G.B.Cxilia)

G. Castellano

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Translation

From M of W
to MMIA

Ref.no 302801/C
Date. 21.10.44

Military Armement. — 264
Ref letter AQ 6 of the 23-sept 44.

We have been informed that Military Lorries are being held up, if they are violated, by civilians who have tried to accapasate the contents

Those incidents as it has been informed occurs when the car is stopped because of road blocks placed on roads by same civilians.

Since those acts can be repeated it is necessary that the lorry driver should be armed as that the lorries have armed guards.

We therefor notifie MMIA so as to 3628
them to examine the possibility to arm such branch of the services.

P Hamfield.

OKHW.

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Prot. N° 202801/C.A. Allegati
314-IV-2

Roma, 21 ottobre 1944

Risposta al f/del ____ *Div.* ____ *Sez.* ____ *N°* ____

OGGETTO: Armamento militari -

request to arm drivers, or armed escort for lorries in isolated zones

Al LA M.M.I.A.

ROMA

M.M.I.A. AQ
FILE REF
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Riferimento lettera AQ/6 del 23 agosto scorso.

Si è verificato che autocarri militari in servizio isolato sono stati assaliti da gruppi di civili che hanno tentato di impadronirsi del carico.

Tali atti di violenza si sono verificati sopratutto durante le fermate spesso provocate dagli stessi civili con ostruzioni stradali.

Poichè fatti del genere potrebbero ripetersi, riterrei necessario disporre che gli autieri in tali circostanze siano armati e che i carichi importanti, siano scortati da personale armato.

Interesso pertanto codesta Missione perchè voglia compiacersi esaminare se anche a tale servizio può essere estesa l'autorizzazione per l'armamento. 3027

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Transmittal Slip.

Su: Traffic offences.

Office of the Provost Marshal,
Rome Allied Area Command.

M.M.I.A. FILE REF 16 Date Recd 24/10

Ref N. PRO/75/50/2184

To: — PM. HQ AAI.
PM. U. S. Forces
DPM. 3 District.
DPM. R.A.F.
APM. Canadian Corp.
APM. U. D. F.
G. 1 (Br) RAAC.
Chief of Public Safety.
HQ. A. C. C.
Commandant French Forces HQ.
D. A. D. CLAIMS.
OC. 111 Provost Coy.
OC 'T' Provost Coy.
OC 76 Section, S. I. B.
OC. 76 Coy CMP. (TC).
M.M.I.A., A.C.C.

For information ✓
Necessary action, please ✓
Investigation & report
Note & forward as indicated
Perusal and return please
For report
For report & completion
Forwarded
Remarks

Copy sent to M.I.2 PA 24/10

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Date 21/10/44. Signature

Capt. & D.A.P.M.
for Lt. Col.
Provost Marshal.
(Alan Charlton).

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REPORT

To:-THE OFFICER COMMANDING
"T" PROVOST COMPANY
C.M.POLICE - C.M.F.

Sir,

I have to report that at ROME, on the 18th Oct.1944, at about 1120 hrs. I was on duty in VIA ANDREA DORIA, accompanied by L/Cpl.P.MOUGAN - C.M.POLICE, where I saw a W.D. vehicle a HILLMAN P.U. No.5100724 standing unattended and mobile.

I kept observation for about 5 minutes when the driver, No.4221901 DVR. DELL'OLMO ERMANNO, of the 11 LOOK SIGNAL SECTION . 510 ITALIAN LINE SECTION made his appearance from a near-by wine shop.

He was in possession of the necessary documents authorizing him to be in possession of the a/M vehicle.

I informed him of the offence committed, and after obtaining his particulars from his Identity Card, he was allowed to proceed.

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ROME
18th Oct.1944

W. Meredith L/Cpl.
"T" PROVOST COMPANY

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