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SUBJECT: Reinforcements - Home - Italian Army.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MHQ)
LEGATILE (LECC)
AQ/8
28 Apr 44.

To: HQ., A.A.I.

1. OBJECT. The object of this letter is to define the procedure by which the C.I.L. (14300) other Forces under Allied Cond (180000) and other authorised Forces of the Italian Army (147070) are maintained at the correct strength as laid down by the C.C.S. (see Appendices "A" and "B"). 6679

2. GOVERNING FACTORS.

The procedure, to be effective, must incorporate the following main factors : -

(a) the Forces maintained and fed by the Allies must always be only those who are "in fact effective". Non-effectives must be eliminated and immediately replaced by effectives.

(b) the total number of personnel must not exceed the ceiling as laid down from time to time.

(c) The procedure must provide for : -

(i) as regards C.I.L. immediate battle replacements. -
normal wastages.
replacement of complete units for rest, re-equipment and reorganisation.

(ii) as regards Forces under Allied Cond -
normal wastages.

(iii) as regards other authorised Forces -
normal wastages and reinforcements to enable (i) and (ii) above to be implemented.

3. REINFORCEMENT OF CIL.

(a) Immediate Battle Replacements and Normal Wastages.

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3. REINFORCEMENT OF CIL.

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The set up of the C.I.L. includes a Reinforcement Unit to hold immediate battle replacements of all ranks. Normal wastages of this unit will be replaced by trained drafts from Internal Security Divs under Italian Army arrangements. This unit will perform the normal function of providing immediate replacements of trained men.

(b) Replacement of Complete Units.

The Italian Army will train and prepare the Internal Security Divisions in such manner as to enable complete units to be moved into CIL when considered desirable by the Allied Command. The CIL units so replaced and returning to Internal Security Divs will be reformed within the latter and be again available as replacements when needed.

4. REINFORCEMENT OF OTHER FORCES UNDER ALLIED COMMAND.

The reinforcement of other Italian Forces operating under Allied Command will be based on a unit to be formed within the ceiling of the 180,000 troops working under Allied Command and to be called the 'ALLIED REINFORCEMENT UNIT' (A.R.U.)

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
G/6/1/39
19 Apr 44.

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HQ ACC.

I feel that the channels of communication and control of the Italian Army should be defined and issued as an instruction to all concerned. 6078

This will obviate incorrect procedure and waste of effort.

Will you please say whether you agree that I should send attached paper to HQ AAI and ask them to issue.

GSH.

Sgd: L. BROWNING.
Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

3. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION (Contd.)

(b) DISTRICT, BASE SECTION and ALLIED GARRISON HQ.

The Italian Army is responsible for the discipline, pay, clothing and general administration of Italian units and formations wherever situated; and for their rationing, except in the Combat Zone where responsibility devolves on HQ AAI and HQ of Armies. Operational control, local administration and policy will be dealt with by District, Base Section and Allied Garrison HQs as follows : -

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(i) Direct, for operational control and local administration, for all Italian units and formations shown as under command of District, Base Section and Allied Garrison HQ in Order of Battle G/11/32 issued fortnightly by MMIA.

(ii) To Italian Formation Commander through MMIA Liaison Officer, for local administration, for all other Italian units and formations within their boundaries.

(iii)To Army Sub Commission (MMIA) for all major matters and questions of policy : or emergency operational control.

4. CREATION AND TRANSFER OF ITALIAN UNITS AND FORMATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT UNDER COMMAND OF ALLIED FORMATIONS.

HQ AAI decide and control priority in connection with this. All applications will therefore be addressed to HQ AAI, with copy to MMIA.

5. ACC REGIONS. are concerned with the Italian Army in so far as it affects civil government. Regional Commissioners will deal direct with the appropriate District, Base Section or Allied Garrison HQ on all questions; except in respect of general administration of such CARABINIERI and GUARDIA FINANZA as may be under Regional control, which will be dealt with through A.C.C.

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6. CORSICA is under AFHQ. MMIA therefore will hold merely a "watching brief" (by means of visits) as the liaison intermediary between the Italian troops in CORSICA on the one hand and the Italian General Staff and/or AFHQ on the other.

7. DISTRIBUTION.

Sufficient copies of this Instruction are forwarded to allow for distribution to Sub Area HQ and equivalent.

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MMIA

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ISLAND BASE SECTION.

ADRIATIC BASE DEPOT.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO AAI ADNAP for GEN HAMBLEN Rptd Fahima for Offenhauer

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply Ref. Number
A01045		

Secret ⊙ Cite NAGDS NATOUSA 29 April ⊙ Request Col LINTON come to Rognile ⊙ OFFENHAUER can furnish transportation ⊙ Advise ETA

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { Except / Wireless }	This Message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time of Origin 301700B Apr 75
Signature	Signature		T.H.I.

†Originator may delete "Except" and insert "including." (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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TO AAI, ADNAP for General HAMBLEN 2ph MEDIA for Colonel KERR

FROM G-4 NATOUSA	Originator's Number F 39 1417 (?)	Date 29 NIL	In Reply to Number

SECRETO		Signed CG	NATOUSA	cite	NAGDS
Arriving	in	NAPLES	at 1430	hours	on 30th
April	is Lt. Col.	FRED	LINTON	from	interaction
Division	ASF,	WASHINGTON	purpose	is to	discuss
Supply	ITALIAN	military	forces O	Request	assistance
necessary	to	accomplish	mission		

This message may be sent As Written by any means *(except) (.....) Wireless

Signature.....

This message must be sent In Cipher if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands

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Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

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5. STATUS, LOCATION and DUTIES of the A.R.U.

(a) STATUS. The A.R.U. will operate under Allied Command with the primary function of providing efficient trained reinforcements for the Italian Forces working under Allied Command (180000) and with the secondary function of performing local guard and labour duties.

(b) LOCATION. The A.R.U. will be placed in a location having -

(i) communications to enable troops to be readily moved by rail etc.

(ii) facilities to draw and hold the necessary stores and equipment to re-equip the men.

(iii) suitable training areas.

(iv) suitable opportunities usefully to employ the personnel in guards, labour etc.

(c) DUTIES.

(i) To hold train and equip 9000 all ranks, being a basis of 5% to cover normal wastage (of 180000) including possible small numbers of battle casualties.

(ii) To forward suitable trained and equipped men in accordance with reinforcement demands received from the appropriate Allied reinforcement demand organisation.

(d) COMMAND & STAFF. An Allied cadre will command and supervise an Italian Army A.R.U. staff formed within the ceiling of the 180,000 troops under Allied Command.

(e) SUPPLY OF PERSONNEL. The strength of 9000 all ranks in the A.R.U. will be maintained by drafts from Italian DEPOTS.

(f) METHOD OF DEMANDING PERSONNEL. The Allied reinforcement organisation of the Allied Formation Comdg the Italian units concerned will demand through normal channels direct on the A.R.U. Necessary arrangements will be made for MMIA to know the demands, strength state etc of the A.R.U. and so ensure the flow of those replacements from Italian Depots.

6. REINFORCEMENT OF OTHER AUTHORISED PIECES OF THE ITALIAN ARMY.

(a) STATUS. Italian Army Depots will operate under Italian Army Command under such control as may be laid down by the Allied Comd

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(f) METHOD OF REMAINING PERSONNEL. The Allied reinforcement organisation of the Allied Formation Comdg the Italian units concerned will demand through normal channels direct on the A.R.U. Necessary arrangements will be made for SACMLA to know the demands, strength state etc of the A.R.U. and so ensure the flow of these replacements from Italian Depots.

6. REINFORCEMENT OF OTHER AUTHORISED FORCES OF THE ITALIAN ARMY.

(a) STATUS. Italian Army Depots will operate under Italian Army Command under such control as may be laid down by the Allied Comd.

(b) COMMAND and STAFF. These Depots will be commanded and staffed by Italian Army personnel within the ceiling of 45870 laid down for Italian Administration.

(c) DUTIES. To receive, document, control, discharge and otherwise handle Italian Army personnel and incoming civilians in order to maintain : -

(i) The Internal Security Divs (103200) and Italian Administration (45870) at the correct ceiling.

(ii) The inflow of personnel necessary to maintain the A.R.U. 9000.

7. REMOVAL OF INEFFECTIVES.

In order that the ceiling for the Italian Army may be completely filled by military personnel who are "in fact effective" the following casualty procedure will operate : -

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(iii) AGRICULTURAL LEAVE: When confirmed by the appropriate Allied Formation Commander upon the request of the Regional Commissioner A.C.C. - NOT exceeding 60 Days.

7. REMOVAL OF INEFFECTIVES (Contd)

(a) Hospital Casualties. A patient will remain on the strength of his unit for 30 days while in hospital. After 30 days he will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army, ceased to be maintained within the Armed Forces ceiling and become an Italian civil liability. He will then be automatically replaced by a reinforcement demanded as outlined above.

(b) Personnel A.W.O.L. Personnel absent without leave will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army after 30 days and be replaced by a reinforcement. Personnel so struck off strength may, when apprehended, be subject to such disciplinary action as the Italian Army consider appropriate, but will NOT be maintained or rationed within the ceiling of the Italian Army as laid down by the C.C.S.

(c) Personnel Undergoing Detention. Personnel who are sentenced to periods of imprisonment or similiar punishment or are awaiting trial so as to render them ineffective, will be struck off strength after 30 days and will cease to be maintained or rationed within the ceiling of the Italian Army as laid down by the C.C.S.

8. LEAVE. Leave may be granted, subject to operational requirements, under the following conditions only. Leave will NOT be granted for any other reasons or periods :

(a) (i) REGULAR LEAVE: after 3 months service and thereafter at 3 monthly intervals - 10 days. 6671

(ii) COMPASSIONATE LEAVE: on urgent compassionate grounds - 10 days

Under normal circumstances the death or serious illness of parents, wife, children or serious damage to the home by enemy action will be considered grounds for application.

A certificate will be produced from the CC.RR confirming the reason for the application and must be agreed by the appropriate Allied and Italian Unit Comds.

(b) (i) Periods of leave count from the day of departure from the Unit until the day of return to the Unit.

(ii) Regular leave will NOT be granted until after a period of 3 months after compassionate leave.

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(b) (i) Periods of leave count from the day of departure from the Unit until the day of return to the Unit.

(ii) Regular leave will NOT be granted until after a period of 3 months after compassionate leave.

(iii) NOT more than 10% of the actual ration strength of a unit ("forza presente") may be away on leave of any kind at any one time.

9. CONCLUSION.

I request that approval may be given in principle to the organisation proposed above, subject to approval by C.C.S., of the numbers shown in Appendix "A".

tvs.PJH.

Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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APPENDIX "A". EXHIBIT

(to AG/A dated 27th April 1944)

ESTABLISHMENT OF ITALIAN ARMY (All Ranks.)

(a) Combat Division (C.I.L.)	.....	14,100.
(b) Other Forces employed or to be employed by the Allies	.....	130,000.
(c) Other authorised Forces of the Italian Army.		
Internal Security Formations	.....	101,200.
Italian Administration: -		
Central Organisations 4,470		
Static Formations 15,000	} =	45,870.
Services. 26,400		
		147,070.

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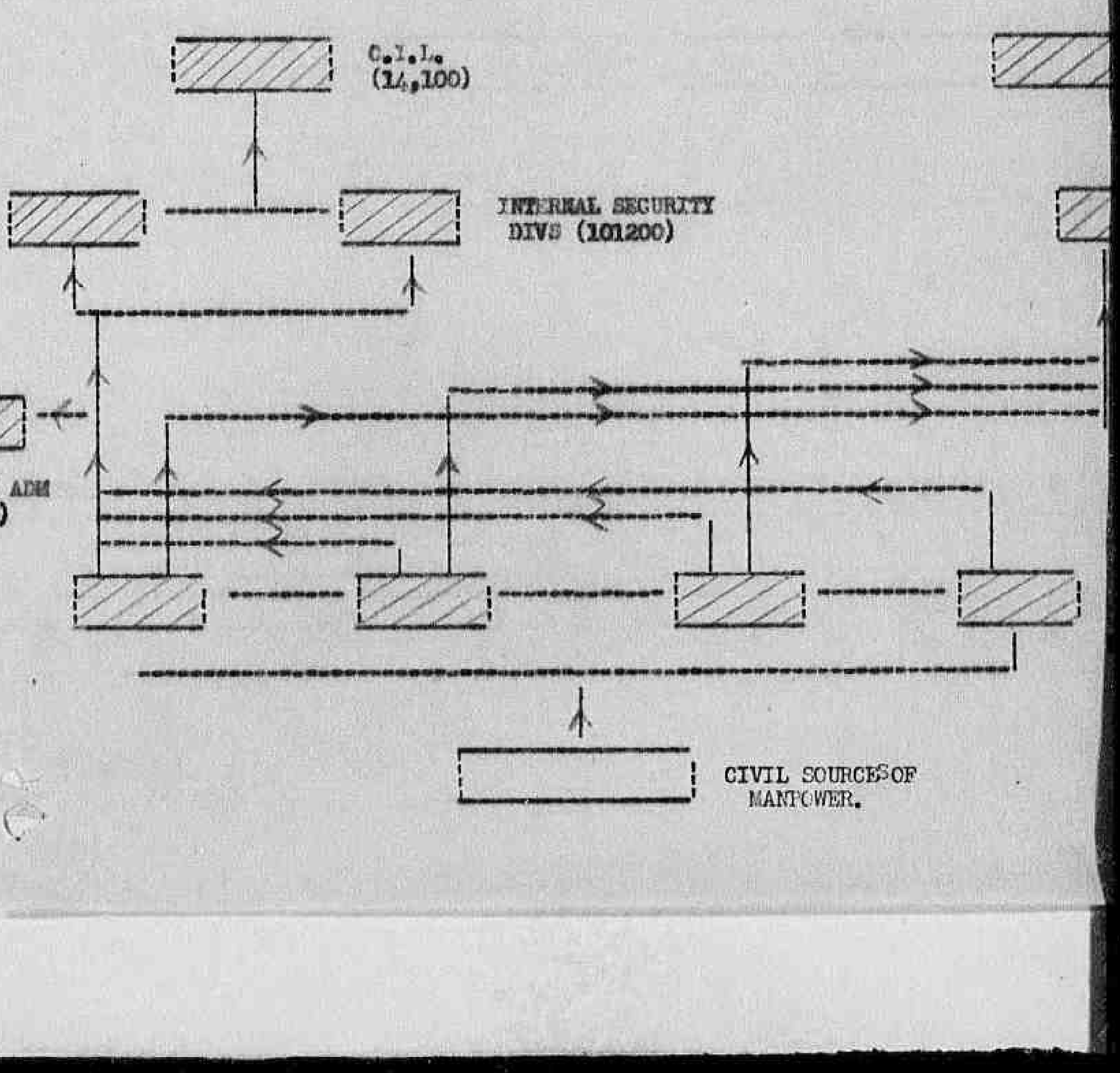
APPENDIX "B".



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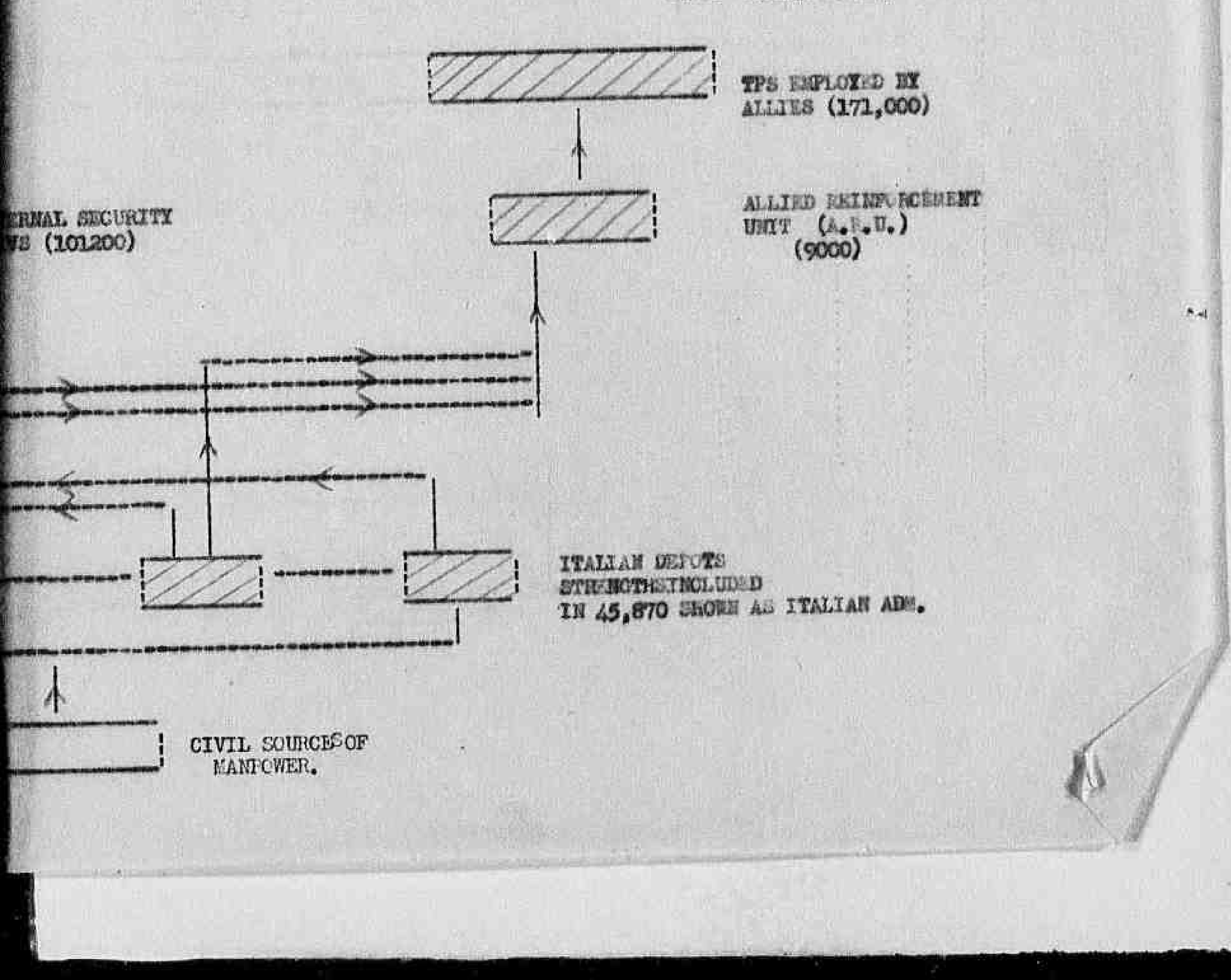
APPENDIX "B".

Legend: Italian Tps under Allied Comd.

Italian Tps under Italian Comd.



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Col. KERR.

1. To see
2. Would you enquire
if WT Zinds -
my last para.

L.S.
27 Apr

I am taking Brig
Miller a copy
tomorrow.

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SUBJECT: Supplies - GARIBALDI Division.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
27 April 1944.

Your Excellency,

Thank you for your note of appreciation in connection with my efforts on behalf of the GARIBALDI Division. You may rest assured that I will always try to help you in every way possible provided that I consider it is right and consistent with the orders I receive from higher authority.

As you know, I reported your case about supplies to the GARIBALDI Division to Brigadier MILES, Commander of Force 266 who is in charge of these matters. You will appreciate that I cannot interfere in any way with his responsibilities. I have now received a reply from Brigadier MILES to my letter and he informs me that your troops are serving under the command of Marshal TITO's 2 Corps and therefore of course, supplies are sub-allotted by that Corps Commander. He also says that under the above conditions, it is necessary for your troops over there to put all their demands through 2 Corps and our British Liaison Officer. Our British Liaison Officer in that area is a most reliable officer and you can be sure that if the matter is arranged through him, your Italians will get a square deal. In any event I understand that Brigadier MILES got in touch with our British Liaison Officer and the latter requested diversion of 4 aircraft with food to your people. This was acted upon at once and I hope the supplies have now reached there safely.

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I can assure you that Brigadier MILES is fully in the picture and doing everything possible and if your people will put in their demands through 2 Corps and the British Liaison Officer as above, I am sure that the GARIBALDI Division will get its full quota of such supplies as can be transported there.

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I must mention one further point. Brigadier MILES informs me that MAAF have already asked that your W/T link to the GARIBALDI Division be closed down. I do not know whether your copy has reached you but I gather that this link is still in use by you. I am enquiring further about this. Meanwhile you will appreciate that any insecurity in this link must lead sooner or later to aircraft being shot down, which is against your own interests because in that event supplies would not reach their destination.

(Copy to Brig. MILES)

Yours,

LB

Major General.

*General P. BERARDI,
S.M.R.E.

tvs.LB.

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HQ, Force 266, CMF.

25 Apr 44.

Comd/DO/1249

Dear General

Thank you for your letter (AQ/8) of 22 April about the question of supplies to the ITALIANS in MONTENEGRO. We are doing all we can to see that supplies reach these troops, but it should be appreciated that they are serving under the command of Marshal TITO's 2 Corps and that supplies and aircraft are allocated to Corps according to priorities laid down by TITO. Those delivered to 2 Corps will be suballotted by the Corps Commander, and if the ITALIANS are fighting well I think there is no doubt that they will get an equitable distribution. All the PARTISAN forces are at present in need of food, and we are doing our best to send it to them. It is possible that the ITALIAN troops may be out of touch with 2 Corps, and I have sent a signal to our liaison officer there asking him if this is so, and also if we are to drop supplies separately to the GARIBALDI Division. I have also asked him if any special ITALIAN stores are required, and stressed that in any case all demands must come through him.

If we do not follow this procedure, we are immediately asked by TITO why ITALIAN troops under his command are receiving preferential treatment, compared with his own forces. 6666

I am hoping that if 2 Corps are in touch with the GARIBALDI Division they will close down the ITALIAN W/T set, which has been a constant source of anxiety as regards security and clandestine efforts on the part of the ITALIANS to effect their own supply system, leading to unfortunate repercussions.

In the event of the SLO informing me that the ITALIANS are cut off and in dire need, we will certainly arrange to send special sorties of supplies; meanwhile I feel we must treat them as part of 2 Corps and deal with their needs in the same way as with those of other PARTISAN troops.

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In the event of the BLO informing me that the ITALIANS are cut off and in dire need, we will certainly arrange to send special sorties of supplies; meanwhile I feel we must treat them as part of 2 Corps and deal with their needs in the same way as with those of other PARTISAN troops.

I hope to be able to give you early news as regards the BLOs reply to our questions, and in any case will be most pleased to see you at teatime on Friday.

If you can help us at all by telling the ITALIANS to instruct their people in JUGOSLAVIA to put all their demands through 2 Corps and our BLO, it will be of the greatest assistance, and this would be the only sure way of the ITALIANS getting what they need without causing friction in the field. MAAF I know have already asked that the ITALIAN W/T link be closed down, but this has not yet been done, and soon we shall have one of our aircraft shot down due to this insecure channel. Possibly you could help in this and persuade the ITALIANS that in the long run it is in their own interest.

Our BLO in this area is a most reliable officer and you can be sure that if the matter is arranged through him, as I suggest, the ITALIANS will get a square deal. Meanwhile, if they are reported by him to be cut off and in dire straits, we will take immediate action to send supplies.

I have spoken on these lines to Air Vice Marshal Bowen-Bus-Scarlet, and shown him your letter and signals, together with a

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copy of the signal we have sent to the BLO.

Yours Sincerely H.G.P. Miles

Maj Gen Langley Browning, OBE, MC,
Army Sub Commission on ACC,
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)

Ps. Since writing the above a message has been received from our BLO (yesterday) requesting diversion of 4 aircraft with food to MEGOBUBA. This was acted upon at once, and four aircraft sent last night, but unfortunatly failed to deliver the goods, due to met. They are going again tonight.

26 Apr 44.

H.G.P. Miles 6065

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MESSAGE FORM

Transmission Instructions

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FROM: MMIA

Date Time of Origin: 30 1200 B

FOR: FATIMA

Message Instructions

Originator's No.: AP 1044

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NEAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Q3/mms

Q3260

18 April 1944

SUBJECT: Situation of Italian Troops in MONTENEGRO.
(Reference your 11762/OP of 14 March).

TO
TO : His Excellency Marshal of Italy Messe,
Chief of the Supreme General Staff.

Your Excellency:

I have brought the points you raised in your letter to the attention of the authorities concerned with air supply to MONTENEGRO. I am informed that the intention has been that supplies should be dropped at KOLASIN whenever possible and that BERANE should only be used as a secondary consideration. The Partisan Corps would then distribute stores as best suited to the situation.

The evacuation of wounded from BERANE by Italian Transport aircraft is still being given a high priority and has not been affected by the question of dropping of supplies. However, I am informed that evacuation has been greatly hampered by particularly unfavourable weather conditions. It is to be noted that over three tons net weight of medical stores and food were landed at BERANE during the second half of March by S.M.81 aircraft. This is the type that evacuated General CHILIA and certain Partisan and Italian wounded.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Lt. Col.

(Sgd) (O. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission
Advanced Headquarters

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Copy to: Director Army Sub-Comm,
Main HQ. LEQUILE (LECCE)
~~Sec. Com. ACC Main HQ, Naples.~~
DCC.

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Office Date Stamp

FROM (A) CG SOS NATOUSA — Originator — Date-Time of Origin.

For Action.

c 145 118 Deciphered at BRINDISI.

TO PEMBARK

(W) For Information (INFO)

CG NATOUSA IBS CO ADRIATIC DEPOT FALCON Pass to 310 service GP MMIA and CG PENBASE CITE SSQMC-10745SGDS

Message Instructions. GR

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Originator's No SECRET.

L-16256 Signed LARKIN Italian military subsistence is the subject This is a paraphrase of 16255 The following items in thousand pounds except PEPPER in pounds and MATCHES in boxes required for July distribution to BD 5% TOMB 2% MITE 30% HUNG 31% BOWL and 5% EJAR 9% book matches are substituted for box matches request the amount be doubled 1255 tons of canned meat will be furnished from US Army stocks SUGAR 937 CHEESE 937 MACARONI 2812 RICE 937 BEANS (or PEAS) dried 1875 TOMATO CATSUP or PASTE 469 FLOUR 11250 VEGETABLES DEHYDRATED ASSORTED 937 PEPPER BLACK 468 COFFEE 6862 matches 2,000,000 boxes

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LETTER AIF FILE SERIAL VOLNF 014 OF 19 DECEMBER 1942. SUBJECT: "LAWFUL CODE OF CIVILIAN CONFLICT", ADVISING THE LIFTING OF CODES OF CIVILIAN CONFLICT ISSUED AS GIVEN IN ADMIR SECRET FMSOLAM, SECTION SIX, DTHMP OF 1 AUGUST 1942, 62-252F. ADMIN CLERK 5485 OF 22 DECEMBER 1942. RELATIVE TO CHANGES FOR COMMUNISTIC PUBLISHED THE ITALIAN MILITARY FORCES. MAKES NO MENTION OF SOURCE OF FILES INFORMATION. BE AND GOING LATEST ADMY PUBLISHED LIMIED LIST FOR CLAIMS CAN ALSO AS 30-3000 FOR CLAIMS TWO A/D FROM WHICH REQUIRE IN FOB USA PUBLISH BEING DONE. ADMA. SINCE BIA VALUE OF BOTH CIVILIAN AND MILITARY SUPPLIES IN CHANGES TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BY ADO. IF AFFAIRS THEY CONSIDERED SHOULD ALIVE. THE 16 J OF 18 APRIL ATTACHED THAT LARGER CODES WILL BE USED IN CHANGES AGAINST THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. IT IS NOT CLAIMS THAT THEY ARE APPLIED TO ALL CIVIL AS WELL AS CIVIL USE LIKE. ADMA. SECTION SIX OF ARMY AIF/I SMOKMAN SERVE OF 1 AUGUST, FINDS ONLY CERTAIN ECONOMIZATIONS AS OF THAT DATE. ARMY CONSOLIDATED FOR SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OR BLANKET CHANGES. THEN ALLOCATED SOURCE AND IN QUESTION AS TO COST. THESE BEING GENERALLY NON-MILITARY ITEMS SUCH AS SPECIAL ENGINEER REQUIREMENTS FOR MINES AND UTILITIES, DRUGS, FURNITURE, CLOTHING AND SHOE. FOR, MANUFACTURE, IT WAS AGREED THAT ACCOUNTING FOR ALL DIRECT SHIPMENTS HAS BEING ACCOMPLISHED AT SOURCE. (USE OR USE). EXHAUST DIVISION, WINN MENN, ADVISES THAT THIS IS NOT A FACT, AND THAT ALL ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR SHIPMENT

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HEADQUARTERS
21 APR 1945
AFHQ

SHIPMENTS AND FROM THEATER STOCKS. COSTS ARE NOT KNOWN ON MANY SHIPMENTS, AND THIS POINT HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN RAISED BECAUSE OF THE ASSUMPTION OF ACCOUNTING AT SOURCE, AND SINCE NO PRICES HAVE BEEN FURNISHED FROM SOURCE SHOULD CHARGES BE MADE AGAINST THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT FOR GOODS SHIPPED FOR THEIR ACCOUNT BUT LOST IN TRANSIT. CLARIFICATION AS TO OVERALL POLICY IS REQUIRED. PARA. IN VIEW OF THE COMPLICATIONS INVOLVED BY CARRYING COMPLETE ACCOUNTING ON ACC BOOKS, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ACCOUNTING FOR USA PROCUREMENTS FROM OUTSIDE THIS THEATER BE DONE IN WASHINGTON, AS IS NOW BEING DONE IN LONDON ON BRITISH PROCUREMENTS. THE THEATER WOULD THEN BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PRICING AND ACCOUNTING ON ONLY THOSE COMMODITIES FURNISHED FROM THEATER STOCKS OR FROM LOCAL RESOURCES, EXCEPT THAT ACC WOULD LIST, WITHOUT VALUE, ALL RECEIPTS FROM OUTSIDE THE THEATER. NEW SUBJECT. ALONG THE SAME LINE AS CHARGES AGAINST THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, THE QUESTION IS RAISED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT FOB OR LANDED COSTS ARE TO BE USED ON LEND-LEASE ISSUES OF MILITARY ITEMS FROM THEATER STOCKS TO BRITISH AND FRENCH GOVERNMENTS

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SUBJECT: Supplies to Italian Army - Accounting.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (CASTA)
LECCE (LECCE)
AC/S
24 Apr 44.

To : A.A.I. (Adm Sec) 3 Copies.

Information to: A.F.H.Q. (3 copies for Finance & Accounting)

1. In framing orders for accounting for supplies to the Italian Army, I require direction on the method by which monetary values are to be given to commodities handed over.

2. From information available to me it is not clear at what stage or by whom this should be done. A.F.H.Q. signal 45220 of 30 Jan does not require the itemised lists to be priced by me and the latter part of A.F.H.Q. signal 45221 of 30 Jan 44 to Chief Accountant A.C.C. seems to indicate that pricing should be done by him. The Chief Accountant, on the other hand, informs me that he was assuming he would receive priced lists.

3. Apart from the fact that I have not the staff (see para 4 below) I consider that in the interests of efficiency and simplicity, the pricing of itemised receipts for commodities issued from various depots or shares should NOT be undertaken piecemeal, but reserved until after the acknowledgement of bulk monthly receipts by the Italian Ministry of War. I consider that these bulk receipts should be sent by M.M.I.A. to the Chief Accountant A.C.C., showing only the total quantity of each commodity handed over during the month, and that the Accountant should then (from price lists supplied him) insert such values as are needed for accounting purposes. This would ensure that uniform and correct rates are applied, would obviate endless unnecessary labour and would minimise the risk of error; it would also enable changes and additions to current prices to be made expeditiously adjusted and controlled.

4. In my opinion the pricing and/or checking of the multitudinous receipts as they come from issue points to my H.Q. would introduce an unnecessary complication, would be difficult for depots and quite beyond the powers of the small supervisory staff allowed me. It would also necessitate continuous issue and amendment of price lists and instructions with which it would be difficult to comply.

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5. I therefore strongly urge that the method suggested in para 3 (which I am provisionally adopting) should receive your approval.

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Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

bm.MP.

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To. Comdr. ~~[illegible]~~ for consideration. [illegible] Cdr. 23/4

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DRAFT.

I agree
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Sig for sig [illegible] A/C
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To. AAI (Adm 2.2) 3 copies
Information to: ACC (3 copies, for Finance & Accountant)

SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN ARMY - ACCOUNTING.

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3. I consider that the principle of efficiency and simplicity demand that the pricing of itemised receipts for commodities issued from various depots or theatres should NOT be undertaken piecemeal, but reserved until after the achievement of full monthly receipts by the Italian Ministry of War. I consider

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Extra signal 45220 of 20 Jan requires the itemised receipts to be priced by one authority

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5. ~~I therefore~~ In my opinion the printing and/or
checking of the multitudinous receipts as they come
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TRANSLATION

Ref. 248

From. S.I.M.E.

To: M.M.I.A. File A.O./8 Date

23 April 44

Subject.....

MOST URGENT.

FONO 336.

P.M. 151 - 22.4.44.

1/1800/54 Further to 1/1803/Serv. Please note following message received from Fanteldi Div. Stato: Reply your 1/1790/ Serv. we are NOT in communication with 2nd. Corps. who have no means of supplying us. we ARE in contact with Sub-H.Q. 2nd Corps. who are also in urgent need supplies.

(Sgd) Ismael VIVALDA.
Lieut.

Above confirms need. you should intervene with Force 266 maximum urgency in order to obtain what we requested in our 1/1803

Supersecreto. C.S.7

DJS/Sgt

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Register No. 786

MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM C2196 (Small)

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNAL'S USE ONLY — OFFICE DATE STAMP.

FROM (A) Originator: M M I A — Date-Time of Origin: B

For Action

TO: FILPOT

(W) For Information (INFO): FREEDOM

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. AG 7378 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) reference FREEDOM F227816 assume oil means Lub Oil and Benzole means Petrol or parafin and should be considered in your allottment (*) salt and dried fruits can be obtained by Italian Army (*) Please advise shipping space is available

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

SIGNED C of S Major General Chief of Staff

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FONOGRAMMA A MANO

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DA QUIRICO COMMISSARIATO SUSSISTENZE

AT M.M.I.A.

L E Q U I L E

n. 3892 /SUSSISTENZE RISPONDE SC/126 DATO 17 CORRENTE ALT
FABBISOGNO MENSILE PER TRUPPE ITALIANE IN CORSICA EST
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RIFORNITI DA COMANDO ALLEATO ALT PRGMINISTRO PELLICHA
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Adopting your ST/128 17th ⊙
Monthly requirements Italian troops in Corsica as follows:- Salt 45 quintals, dried fruit 50 quintals, dried vegs (beans, peas, etc) 100 quintals, dehydrated vegs (greens) 200 quintals, ⊕ Salt and dried fruit can be purchased in Italy but dried vegs and dehydrated greens would have to be supplied by allies.

Il Sottocapo Capo Stato Maggiore

Ten. Col. Magg. Serv. C.

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ARMY FORM 2136 (8mm II) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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FROM (A) Originator: FREEDOM CMC FHISUP | Date-Time of Origin: 15

For Action

TO FILPOT MTIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp: 3/904

Message Instructions | CP

Originator's No. F-27816

Rations for military on FAKIR is the subject ⊙ NORBASE advises M.C.O secure any items of rations to be secured from local sources ⊙ Wire has been stiffed ⊙ Request arrangements be made to ship sufficient oil benzole and salt for Italian tps on FAKIR to NORBASE and that we be advised ETA of shipment ⊙ Are there any dried fruits or dried veg. available mainland or islands for shipment Italian units in FAKIR (CORSICA)

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FROM HQ AAI 211530B

TO MMIA INFO FATIMA

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REFERENCE YOUR 0353 DATED 19 [redacted]

APRIL X OUR SIGNAL TO FREEDOM SUBSTANTIALLY

CONFORMS WITH YOUR VIEWS

X PENDING FREEDOM ACTION CONTINUE TO ISSUE RATIONS TO

ITALIAN ARMD FORCES AS AT

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

27 MAR 1944

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ACC/14613/PS

27 March 1944

SUBJECT: Supply of Army Rations to Italian Public Safety Agencies.

TO : Chief Commissioner (Thru' Vice-President Admin. Section).

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Further to this office No. ACC/14613/PS of 16 March and to your approval in principle of the proposals contained therein, very strongly in the case of the Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza, the method of implementing this approval has been discussed with Col. Adams of the Economic Section and the only feasible plan is to have the Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza provided with allied army rations in the same way as the R. Carabinieri and the Guardie di Finanza receive them, i.e. through the Italian Army.

It is requested, therefore, that authority be given or obtained, as a matter of urgency, for the Agenti di P.S. to be considered as an integral part of the Italian Army for the purposes of rations, clothing and equipment. It is submitted that, under existing conditions, the maintenance of law and order is of vital importance to Military Security and that, although not part of the Army to the same extent as the CCRR and CG.FF their duties are so closely connected with those of the CC.RR and CG.FF that they should be treated from a supply point of view, in an identical manner.

Copies of the following documents which have a bearing on the point at issue, are attached for reference:

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R.M.J. MARTIN
Lt. Col.,
For Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission
(Absent on Duty)

Copy to: Army S.C. Main
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Army S.C. Advanced
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Col Quendenville says Lemnitzer has seen & approved.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
QM (C.E.M.E.C.).

16 Jan. 44

SUBJECT: Requests for Equipment and Clothing

TO : CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL SECTION,
(Attn. Major Glasscock),
c/o S-4 I.B.S.
APO # 550 U.S. Army

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1. Reference attached requests for equipment and clothing for Italian

(i) Carabinieri
(ii) Agents of Public Security
(iii) R. Guardia di Finanza

2. We have applied to A.C. of S G-3 this headquarters for a ruling who has replied as follows:-

For the purposes of these requests it will be considered that the three services mentioned above, form part of the Italian Army and requested equipment may be issued subject to MMIA's approval and availability.

W. E. DOWNER,
Major,
QM (C.E.M.E.C).

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MMIA FROM DUCHESNE

FATIMA REAR for KIRK AND QUIN SMITH. RPTD FATIMA FOR LUSH

Ref. Your ACC/14601/8/PS of 17 March. First. Carabinieri accepted as an integral part of the Italian army entitled to share of Italian clothing resources existing which are mainly underclothing controlled by Ministry of War. In addition entitled rations and durkgreen battle dress and boots al of Allied origin controlled by MMIA through Ministry of War. These demands for boots and battle dresses should go through Ministry of War and can be met in reasonable quantities. Advise me what quantities are genuinely required separating mainland, Sicily and Sardinia. Second. Guardia Finanza at present accepted for rations as integral part of Italian army but this may be nonconstitutional. I have asked for policy decision from Chief Commissioner in my 0303 to which copy to you. Third. Agents of Public Security have not previously been claimed to be integral part of Italian army and copy of AFHQ letter dated 16 January forwarded refers only to stated request for captured stocks. Their duties not understood but claim does not appear strong. Submit to Chief Commissioner for policy decision. Fourth. The strength of all those entitled to rations boots and clothing of Allied origin must be included in strength states such as that forwarded to Quin Smith under my G/11/28 of 16 March. These figures are shortly to be forwarded to Allied Chiefs of Staff on their demand for authorization of future totals allowable. Question is therefore of urgent policy importance. Policy for supply organization Italian military is laid down in Freedom letter AG400-1 (ITALY GDS-AGM of 9 January addressed to Allied Control Commission.

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MMIA FROM DUCHESNE

FATIMA RPTD FATIMA REAR FOR QUIN SMITH AND KIRK FOR LUSH

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1. Further to my AQ 715 of 21 March copy to you. Hand book on Italian military forces TME 30-420 published in Washington August 1943 defines constitutional position of Carabinieri in page 8 as definitely part of the army. Guardia Finanza on page 14 are trained for combat and in wartime come under ministry of war. Public secutiry police on page 15 come under ministry of interior only. As I read it we can claim in memorandum shortly to be forwarded to Combined Chiefs of Staff that both Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are in war part of Italian army but can not so claim for public security police. Above book should be available in PBS for your reference.

2. If in fact Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are being employed on same duties suggest for your consideration that they be merged in order to have duplication and over heads.

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Economic Section

I approve Colonel Kirk's proposal in principle — using strongly inclusive Public Licenses. Action in place given effect to it is possible and let me know how things stand in due course.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

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ACC/14613/PS 27 March 1944

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Teletype

1. Further to my AQ 715 of 21 March copy to you. Hand book on Italian military forces TME 30-420 published in Washington August 1943 defines constitutional position of Carabinieri in page 8 as definitely part of the army. Guardia Finanza on page 14 are trained for combat and in wartime come under ministry of war. Public secutiry police on page 15 come under ministry of interior only. As I read it we can claim in memorandum shortly to be forwarded to Combined Chiefs of Staff that both Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are in our part of Italian army but can not so claim for public security police. Above book should be available in PBS for your reference.

2. If in fact Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are being employed on same duties suggest for your consideration that they be merged in order to have duplication and over heads.

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Minute to Economic Section.

I approve Colonel Kirk's proposal in principle very strongly in the case ofthe Pubblica Sicurezza.

Will you please give effect to it if possible let me know how things stand in due ecurse.

(Initialled) N.M. L.G.

19/3/44.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ACTION SHEET

18 17 MAR 46
Date

Suspense

FROM	TO
	Chief Commissioner
	Deputy Chief Commissioner
	Secretary General ✓
✓	ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION
	Economic Section
	Reg.Control & M.G.Section
	Political Section
	Interior Sub Commission
	Public Safety Sub-Commission
	Public Health Sub-Commission
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Return to Admin. Section

REMARKS: ① C.C. has requested this from Col. Kirk.

② Will you please place it before CC at the earliest opportunity.

P R Cliffe
C.S. Advisor

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

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ACC/14613/PS

16 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Supply of Army Rations to Italian Public Safety Agencies.

TO : The Chief Commissioner Submitted through Vice-President Admin. Section.

1. The following facts are submitted for your information, having regard to the present problem of providing adequate rations for the several Public Safety Agencies.

2. Such Agencies are:
(a) The Carabinieri (CC.RR.)
(b) The Guardia di Finanza (GG.FF.)
(c) The Pubblica Sicurezza.
(d) The Municipal and Metropolitan Police
(e) The Fire Service

3. The Supply of Army rations has already been authorised for the CC.RR. and GC.FF. but a recent application from this Sub-Commission to AFHQ for similiar provision for the Pubblica Sicurezza indicates some doubt whether or not they will be included.

4. It is considered that in addition to the CC.RR. and GG.FF., the Pubblica Sicurezza is an essential component of the Police Services since it is wholly responsible for criminal investigation and for the prevention and suppression of crime which in the present circumstances is a particularly serious task which must be discharged with maximum efficiency.

5. Independently of the views of this Sub-Commission, the Italian Minister of the Interior has requested that in common with the two previously mentioned police agencies, the Pubblica Sicurezza also be given the same consideration in the provision of rations.

6. The approximate quantity of rations required for full issue to the Pubblica Sicurezza, having regard to the present territory involved would total 3,500 i.e. 4,500 in AMG areas and 4,000 in King's Italy.

7. If rations can be issue to these three police agencies, it is considered that the essential and minimum needs of the present situation will have been met. However the claims of the Municipal or Metropolitan Police which are organised in the largest cities for employment upon such duties as traffic control and protection duties, ought also to be taken into account, since if for lack of proper provision, such units ceased to function, such deficiency would undoubtedly threw an additional burden upon the previously mentioned police organisations. The approximate figure so involved is 2,500.

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8. Similiary the Italian Fire Service should receive consideration for obvious reasons. The strength of the service is approximately 5,500, i.e. AMG territory 2000 King's Italy 3,500.

9. Having regard to the strict military necessity for reducing the quantity of Army rations to be issued for Italian Public Safety Services to the absolute minimum and also keeping in mind the ceiling of 500,000 rations to which the Italian Army is to be limited and from which overall figure the proposed distribution would have to be subtracted, it is considered that the claims of the CC.RR., GC.FF. and Pubblica Sicurezza represent the minimum requirements. If it is possible to extend equal provision to the Municipal Police and Fire Service, such extension is strongly recommanded.

10. It will of course be realised that the tentative figures given are calculated upon the present military situation and that the extent of this commitment will progressively increase as the Armies advance.

11. Correspondence is still in progress between this Sub-Commission and AFHQ as to the inclusion of the Pubblica Sicurezza, but an indication from the Chief Commissioner as to the extent to which this or the further demands referred to should be presented, would be much appreciated.

Paul G. Kirk

PAUL G. KIRK,
Colonel Infantry,
Chief Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

Lieut. Stanyard
17. 3. 44

ARMY FORM C 2'36 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 6/5/22

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FROM (A) CG SOS NATOUSA Signed Larkin

Originator | Date-Time of Origin. 201729 | Office Date Stamp

For Action.

TO C.O. ISLAND BASE SECTION

(W) For Information (INFO)

MAIA CG NATOUSA

Message Instructions. GR

Originator's No. SSQMC-1067. SECRET GTE.

This is a paraphrase of msg L-16219. Any subsistence items-ft items furnished the ITALIA (ITALY)? from United State army stocks after twenty eight March should be considered a loan and replace in kind NOT rpt NOT desired to furnish subsistence from U.S. Army stocks to Italian military, NAVY, AIR FORCE R CARABINIERI, after the turnover date of 28 March 1944. Ref cable IBSQM Rpt IBSQM-459 dated 16 Febr. Rations required

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FROM (A) CG SO Natousa — Originator — Date-Time of Origin. — Office Date Stamp

For Action.

CG Island Base

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MMIA, CG Natousa

Message Instructions. GR

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L-16219

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SERVIZI- Sezione S.M.

N° 1/1781/Serv.di prot. P.M. 151, li 21 aprile 1944

O G G E T T O: Rifornimenti alla Divisione "Garibaldi".-

Supplies for "Garibaldi" Div.

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

L E Q U I L E

Si trascrive il seguente telegramma pervenuto dalla Divisione "Garibaldi":

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Per effettuare urgente avioriforniminento richiesto é stato interessato il Comando Unità Aerea Italiano a rappresentare quanto sopra alle competenti autorità alleate.

Tuttavia sarebbe gradito anche l'eventuale interessamento di codesta Sottocommissione per ottenere che siano messi a disposizione di questo S.M. un'aliquota di apparecchi e 30 contenitori muniti di paracadute.-

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IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Gen.di Div. G.B.oxilia)

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Nevertheless we would be very grateful if M.M.I.A. could also make in order that the necessary number of planes and 30 containers with parachutes may be placed at the disposal of the SAASPE

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P.M.151,li 22 aprile 1944.-

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UFFICIO SERVIZI
Sezione S.M.

URGENTE

N°1/1803/Serv.di prot.

OGGETTO: rifornimento alla Divisione "Garibaldi".-

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
L E Q U I L E

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Seguito foglio 1/1754 del 20 corr. e 1/1781 del 21 corrente.

Si trascrive il seguente telegramma pervenuto oggi dalla Divisione "Garibaldi":

""" Situazione alimentare in zona Bare et Negobuba è grave . Unica risorsa è insufficiente carne ovina. Prego quindi caldamente riprendere rifornimento viveri non appena tempo lo consente e continuarli approfittando di tutte giornate buon tempo purtroppo non molto frequenti. Per altri materiali da lanciare mi riferisco a richieste già fatte. Firmato Generale Vivalda """

Poichè la Sottocommissione Air Force si è dichiarata incompetente a risolvere la questione della "Garibaldi", prego vivamente codesta Sottocommisione di intervenire con tutta urgenza presso la "Force 266" per ottenere che sia messo a disposizione di questo S.M. un primo lotto di 100 contenitori ed una aliquota di tre apparecchi per eseguire gli aviotrasporti nelle giornate di buon tempo.

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G. Oxilia

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To:

2 i/c	In view of the GOC's letter to HQ ACC on this subject, what reply should be given to this please? 22/4 JP.
CG	Suggest you take to ES & SmRE (K) 22/4

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General Browning.

Sir, Original of attached has been despatched, one copy in file AO/8. As instructed, I have attached Appendix C.

O.K. Fitzmaurice
L. Bozak

Brig/DS
Cpl. 23/04

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8

23 April 1944.

My Dear Miles

I am continually being approached by S.M.R.E. here over the matter of the lack of issue of supplies to their troops in MONTENEGRO etc. The Italian S.M.R.E. has a direct wireless link with those troops North of the Adriatic and the latter keep on sending frantic telegrams that they have no food, medical supplies etc.

I have no intention of butting in on your party because obviously all that business must be controlled through one central channel on a matter of high policy. But as S.M.R.E. have no one else they can appeal to, I told them that I would write to you and represent their views on the situation and affairs as they are told it.

I do not know how true the information is, so I send the attached to you for what it is worth and leave the matter in your hands.

It would help me a lot with S.M.R.E. if you could write me a letter saying that you realise the situation and are doing all you can to see that supplies do reach these Italians over the water under

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I shall be coming to BARI on Friday, 28th and will look in and have a talk with you on my way back between tea and dinner.

Yours,

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Brig. H.P.G. MILES.
FORCE 266.

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APPENDIX 'A'

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TRANSLATION.

22 Apr 44.

S.M.R.E. to Army Sub Commission ACC

Subject: - Sups for GARIBALDI Div.

Further to our comms 1/1754 of 20 inst and 1/1761 of 21 inst.

The following telegram has been received today from the Garibaldi Div: -

" Food situation in BARI and NEGOBUBA areas is serious. An insufficient quantity of mutton is all there is available. I earnestly ask that as soon as weather permits despatch of sups is restarted and continued whenever the weather is goodenough, which unfortunately is not often. For other things to be dropped I refer to previous requests.

General VIVALDA"

As the Air Force Sub Commission has stated that it is NOT in a position to deal with the "Garibaldi" question, I most earnestly ask the Army Sub Commission to intervene with all speed with Force 266 with a view to having placed at our disposal 100 containers and an allotment of three planes for air tpt whenever the weather is good enough.

It is a matter of humanitarian act towards soldiers who have fought bravely for the Allied cause, and who now, hard put to it, send out a desperate appeal so as not to die of hunger.

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Deputy Chief of Staff.

G. OXILIA.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SERVIZI - Sezione S.M.
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No. 1/1781/Serv di prot. P.M. 151, li 21 Aprile 1944.

O G G E T T O : Rifornimenti alla Divisione "Garibaldi". -

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

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SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Gen di Div. G.B. Oxilia.)

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APPENDIX 'C'

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TRANSLATION.

From : S.M.R.E.

To : M.M.I.A.

MOST URGENT.

FOND 336

P.M. 151 - 23. 4. 44

1/1800/54 Further to 1/1803/Serv (*) Please note following marconigram received from GARIBALDI Div (*) Starts: Reply your 1/1790/Serv . We are NOT in communication with 2nd Corps who have no means of supplying us (*) We ARE in contact with Sub H.Q. 2nd. Corps, who are also in urgent need supplies.

Sgd. General VIVALDA.
(End)

Above confirms need you should intervene with Force 266 maximum urgency in order to obtain what we requested in our 1/1903.

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Superesercito.

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ARMY FORM G 2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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FROM (A) Originator: AAI | Date-Time of Origin: 172345D

— Office Date Stamp —

For Action: MMIA

(C) For Information (INFO)

— Message Instructions — | — GR —

Originator's No. SD2722 (c) RESTRICTED (c) First (c) Further to this HQ SD2707 dated 15 Apr (c) AFC state that proposals file 1701/33AG(SD2) of 9 Apr have been passed to Military Government Sec to recommend corresponding decrease (c) Will inform you immediately proposals are approved (c) SECOND (c) Request receipt your approval proposals

H.E. Irvine Brig Dpt Dir

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ARMY FORM C2196 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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FROM: Originator — Date Time of Origin: 211920B

TO: For Action: AFHQ; (W) For Information (INFO): LEMIA — Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No. SD2748 (*) RESTRICTED (*) Ref your F33261 dated 16 Apr (*) fmn of supply control and accountancy staff as directed by Combined Chiefs of Staff regarded as urgent (*) If MII Govt Sec unable to recommend immediate ~~reduction request authority be granted for overall increase in respects of additional personnel~~

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SUBJECT: Supplies to the GARIBALDI Division.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
22 Apr 44.

Chief of Staff,
S.M.R.E.

1. I am informed by the Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C.C. BARI that on 19th April your staff ordered the Italian Officer Commanding the Bomber-Transport Wing at LECCE to divert two aircraft from a properly authorised supply-dropping mission, in order to drop supplies on the GARIBALDI Division, despite the fact that that Transport Wing is under orders of the Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C.C.

2. I must request that you issue strict instructions forthwith that this irregular practice will cease, that direct communications of this nature with that Wing is forbidden as all these sorties must be co-ordinated through Force 266.

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3. I would point out that lack of such co-ordination exposes the aircraft concerned to grave risks as long-range fighters are not then provided as escort and that indiscriminate use of your Italian W/T link with the GARIBALDI Division may well lead to air formations from the Mainland being intercepted.

A.B.

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

tvs.LB.

(Copy to: Air Forces Sub Commission, A.C.C. - ref their S/5/AIR dated 20 Apr.)

AIR FORCES SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,

BARI.

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S/5/AIR. 20th April 1944.

Dear General,

I am having a great deal of trouble over the W/T link between the Garibaldi Division and the mainland. The Italians have always been prone to use this to order sorties and supplies for themselves, which is quite understandable. Our orders are, however, that all supply dropping must be co-ordinated through Force 266.

We have just had a signal from M.A.A.F. saying that this W/T link must not be used for their air sorties, and to this I have replied that it is an Army channel over which I have no control.

On the other hand, yesterday the Italian Army H.Q. got into touch with the Officer Commanding (an Italian) my Bomber-Transport Wing at Lecce, and demanded the diversion of two aircraft from a properly authorised supply-dropping mission, in order to drop supplies on the Garibaldi Division. The O.C. Wing was unable to get into telephone communication with this Headquarters, and, in spite of orders to the contrary, allowed himself to be over-ruled by the Army Headquarters and authorised the diversion. 6025

I have dealt suitably with this Officer, but I should be very grateful if you could make it quite clear to the Italian Army H.Q. that all these sorties must be co-ordinated through Force 266, and that they must not communicate direct with our Wing. Quite apart from the breach of orders, it exposes the aircraft concerned to grave risks, as I have not sufficient long range fighters to provide escort to two separate formations. Moreover, the Italian W/T link is very insecure, and its indiscriminate use may well lead to our formations being intercepted.

Yours sincerely,

W.D.C. Lee Air

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W.A. Baum-Bunarter.

Major-General L. Browning, C.B., O.B.E., M.C.,
Army Sub Commission, A.C.C,
Main H.Q. (M.M.I.A),
LEQUILE (LECCE).

Copy:-
H.Q. M.A.A.F. (For Operations Officer).

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 26/21

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D/961

FROM (A) Originator: Commanding General NATOUSA ~~HTLOUSA~~ For Action. | Date-Time of Origin. -1635

TO Commanding General Service Supt. NAQMC (W) For Information (INFO)

CO Adriatic depot. MMIA

Adm Ed AAI

Message Instructions. GR 6624

Originator's No F33526 O CITE NAQMC O CONFIDENTIAL O Mailing copy of letter AFHQ AG 400-1 (Italian) SUP-AGM dated 14th Feb subject price of subsistence issued to Italian Army O Ref IS AD (IS AD) cable dated 14th April in unnumbered CITE BDQMC 809A and SL 15516 dated 18th April briefly the letter states (a) The latest U.S.A Army subsistence price list will be used O (b) New or class A clothing and equipment at prices listed in AR30-3000 O (c) Used clothing and equipment will be at 25% of price list in AR30-3000

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22 Apr

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AO18
22 April

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except WIRELESS. Signed.	If liable to be Intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER. Signed.	Originator's Instructions. Degree of Priority.	Time	System	Op.
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AFHQ MESSAGE CENTER

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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ROUTINE

TO FOR ACTION: CG SOS NATOUSA

FOR INFO: CO ADRIATIC DEPOT

REF NO : F 33526

SIGNED : CG NATOUSA CITE: NAQMC

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Mailing copy of letter AFHQ AG 400-1 (Italian) Sup-AGM dated 14 Feb, subject: "Prices of subsistence issued to Italian Army".

Reference is AB cable dated 14 April, unnumbered, cite BDQMC-809A and your L 15516 dated 15 April.

Briefly the letter states:

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(B) New or class A clothing and equipment (illegible) at prices listed in AR 30-3000.

(C) Used clothing and equipment will be at 25% of price list in AR 30-3000.

ORIGINATOR : QM AUTH: T H RAMSEY, BRIG GEN

INFORMATION: G-4 CONCURRENCE: G-4
MGS
FINANCIAL ADV
C/S NATO
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SUBJECT: Supply of ITALIAN Troops in MONTENEGRO Etc. SECRET

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
AQ/8.

21 Apr 44.

H.Q., A.C.C.

The Italian S.M.R.E. here are very unhappy about the issue of supplies to their troops in MONTENEGRO etc. I know this is a difficult question and a matter of high policy but I feel I must represent what S.M.R.E. tell me as there may be something in it and because I take the line that if I play to them they should play to me and my task in M.M.I.A. will be facilitated.

The matter has been brought to a head in the last few days by a telegram from the H.Q. of the GARIBALDI Division to S.M.R.E. saying that they had moved, together with a Yugoslav hospital and 600 partisans, to an isolated area entirely devoid of resources and that they were down to bed rock in food.

I understand that all supplies for forces under command of Marshal TITO are sent to and distributed by him and I dare say that it is probably impossible to work the business any other way. But the fact remains that S.M.R.E. apparently have no one except me that they can contact on this side to air their grievances and see whether in fact their Italians on the other side of the water are getting supplies or not.

I do not know the answer to all this but, as I say, I represent it to you as it is a high matter of policy and it is difficult for me on the one hand to encourage the Italians to aid the Allied War effort to the maximum possible and on the other to wash my hands of any trouble the Italian Army have. I should therefore be glad of your advice.

LB.

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

tvs.LB.

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S. Beaman

- I have typed.
- Sented the Italian Case to A.C.C. asking their advice.

AQ file. You can get it & inform S.M.R.E. (in general terms) what I have done.

L.B.

2/Apr

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TRANSLATION

From General Staff
To Italain Air Force HQ Bari
and Army Sub Commission for infm

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1/1757/Serv ⊙ Forwarding following rauio sig recd to-day from Garibldi Div ⊙ Message begins ⊙ 2 i/c II E.P.L.J. Corps requests sups by air at NEGOBUDA (P-) for further 600 of his men and amn for LMG ⊙ Gen VIVALDA ⊙ Message ends ⊙ Please interest the proper authorities .

6021

General Staff Q Branch

Fonogramma N° 319. Urgentissimo

Da
S.M.R.E

At Comando Unita Corca - Bari.
e per Conoscenza
At Sotto comissione Esercito - Ligaile

N°. 1/1757/Servizi Alt Trasmettese Seguente
Radio - pervenuto oggi da Divisione
Garibaldi Alt comincia: viceComandante
Secondo Corpo: Armata E.P.L.J. (elo)
richiede avio rifornimento At NEGOBUDA
parentesi P.... - Trattasi al parentesi per
altri 600 uomini et munizionamento
per fucili mitragliatori Alt.
Firmato Generale Arnalda Alt.
Pregasi interessare Autorita
Competente Alt S.M.R.E. Servizi.

Transmitted by
Lt Borella SMRE.

Following wireless message received today from Garibaldi Div. Headquarters 2nd is Command

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Transmitted by
Lt Borella SMRE.

Received by Duty Interpreter
+ Tel Operator at
21.45 hrs 8/- 30/4/44.

Following wireless message received today from Garibaldi Div ○ starts! 2nd in Command 2nd Army Corps [redacted] E.P.L.J. requests air supply of NEGOBUDA (P...) for other 600 men and ammo for automatic rifles ○ Signed General VIVALDA ○ Please approach competent authority ○ SMRE.

+ Lt/Sqr

No 6: Second part of message not clear suggest checking up with SMRE.

Have since checked. OK. Lt/Sqr

C.T.O.

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TRANSLATION

20 Apr 44

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S M R E to Army Sub Commission A C C

On ~~THE~~ 14 Apr the HQ of the GARIBALDI Div, operating in MONTENEGRO, infd the General Staff that for operational reasons it was having to move to another area and that sups dropped by air and landing of aircraft had to be suspended until further notice.

On 17 Apr, when comms were reestablished, the above HQ advised that together with the hosps and escorting unit it had moved into the BARE area (26 km NORTH-EAST of KOLASIN), an area which was almost entirely devoid of resources, and requesting urgent despatch of cells for radio sta and five days food for 600 men.

On 18 inst an Italian plane flew over the BARE district to recce the area, and dropped six containers with 400 kg of food and a first sup of cells for the wireless set.

As the food sent was only sufficient for one day, yesterday, 19 inst two Italian planes dropped a further two days food.

However, the General Staff has to-day been infd by the HQ of the Italian Air Force that the Air Force Sub Commission has disapproved of the mission carried out yesterday by the above-mentioned two machines and has placed a veto on further sups for the CARIBALDI Div, unless authorised by your Sub Commission.

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In view of the situation, I would earnestly ask the Mission to authorise that at least three planes should sup the Garibaldi Div every other day, until the situation is cleared up, and also to place at the disposal of the General Staff at least 100 containers to meet the situation.

The request of the 2 i/c II Corps has been passed on for infm and the necessary action to the HQ of the Italian Air Force, which is in close touch with the Air Force Sub Commission.

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TRANSLATION

from GARIBALDI Div

to S M R E

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Being out of touch with British Mission we will do as you ask as soon as possible. However, I believe the present situation is a temporary one. 2 i/c of Corps requests that Allies send sups by air for his own hosp at BOAN. The strength in the area is continually increasing. Please continue until further notice sups by air in the area indicated. Many thanks for what you have done and for what it will be possible to do.

Gen VIVALDA

arrived 1315 hrs 19 Apr
deciphered 1401 hrs 19 Apr

STG/gi

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SERVIZI- Sezione S.M.

N° 1/1744/Serv. di prot. P.M. 151 li, aprile 1944

OGGETTO: Rifornimenti Divisione "Garibaldi".

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

LECCE

Il 14 corr. il Comando della Divisione "Garibaldi", operante in Montenegro, informava questo S.M. che a causa della situazione operativa era costretta a spostarsi in un'altra zona e che perciò dovevano essere sospesi gli aviolanci ed atterraggi di apparecchi fino a nuovo avviso.

Il 17 corr., con la ripresa del collegamento, il predetto Comando faceva conoscere che, con gli ospedali ed il reparto di scorta, si era trasferito in zona Bare (a 26 Km. a nord-ovest di Kolasin), località quasi priva di ogni risorsa, e chiedeva l'urgente rifornimento di pile per la stazione radio e cinque giornate di viveri per 600 uomini.

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Questo S.M. non è al corrente delle disposizioni, emanate dalle Autorità A.A., che regolano i rifornimenti alle truppe (partigiane ed

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Ciò è provato dal testo del teleradio, unito in copia, col quale il Comando della "Garibaldi" richiede per conto del vice-comandante del II Corpus il rifornimento da parte alleata dell'ospedale partigiano dislocatosi a Boan (località ad alcuni Km. da Bare) e ribadisce la necessità che sia assicurato la continuità del rifornimento viveri per le proprie truppe che sono in continuo aumento nella zona di Bare.

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Così stando le cose, prego vivamente codesta Sottocommissione di compiacersi autorizzare che un'aliquota di almeno tre apparecchi rifornisca a giorni alternati la Divisione "Garibaldi" fino a situazione chiarita e di mettere a disposizione di questo S.M. almeno 100 contenitori per far fronte alla bisogna.

Per norma la richiesta del vice-comandante del II Corpus è stata segnalata, per i conseguenti provvedimenti, al Comando Unità Aerea Italiana che è in stretto collegamento con la Sottocommissione AIR FORCE.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(P. Berardi)

- 6015

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C O P I A

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MARCONIGRAMMA CIFRATO IN ARRIVO

DA DIVISIONE GARIBALDI

AT SUPERESERCITO

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Prot. N.310 -

Risposta I/1706/Serv.-

Data mancanza collegamento con missione inglese sarà ottemperato appena possibile at quanto richiesto.

Ritengo comunque che attuale situazione abbia carattere transitorietà.

Vicecomandante corpo richiede avioriforniments da parte alleata per proprio ospedale dislocato at Bean.

Forza in zona in continuo aumento.

Prego continuare fino at nuovo avviso avioriforniments in zona indicata.

Ringrazio per quanto fatto et per quanto sarà possibile fare.-

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Gen. Vivalda 08001904

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giunto 13151904-decifrato 1401904
dal Cap.no Piscini

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CIPHER MESSAGE IN. SIGS NO:7396.
SECRET

TO:- ACTION FLAMBO INFO FATIMA GOL CRAWSHAW CG SOS NATOUSA
FABLE FOR WEBSTER AND HARDING GOC DISTWO GOC DISTONE
CG FBS CG IBS AND CO ADRIATIC DEPOT.

FROM:- CITE FHSUP SGD CINC. F 30534 11

MESSAGE G-4, 25948 MARCH 27 CITE FLAMFOR 150 IS REFERENCE. LETTER AFHQ AG400-1 (ITALIAN) SUP-AGM FEB 14 SUBJECT. PRICES OF SUBSISTENCE ISSUED TO ITALIAN ARMY, TO FATIMA, COPY TO FLAMBO, SPECIFIES PRICES TO BE CHARGED FOR NEW AND USED CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT FROM UNITED STATES SOURCES. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE FOR ITEMS TURNED OVER FROM BRITESH SOURCE OUTLINED IN DOS CIRCULAR NO.63, DECEMBER 27, 1943 AND EBC NO.479, 1943, DOES NOT REQUIRE RECORDING OF PRICES

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SMC DISTRIBUTION ACTION G4. J.S.C.
INFO G QAE. SMCTOR 111830B.

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FROM HQ AAI 1300B

TO MMIA

QQY GR37 BT

G4190 CONFIDENTIAL

REFERENCE FREEDOM F32780 CITE

FHSUP 17 APRIL COPY TO MMIA X PRESUME YOU WILL TAKE

ACTION WITH ~~ITALIAN~~ ITALIANS AND ACC AND WILL

SIGNAL FILPOT YOUR VIEWS X DO YOU WANT

FILPOT TAKE ANY ACTION PENDING YOUR INVESTIGATION(?)

THI ~~191426~~ 191425

RPTNS ~~617 QY~~ 1300 ~~37~~ ~~G4190~~ ~~F32780~~ ~~FILPOT~~ ~~17~~ 191425

SENT SV BB JK

N.T.

40/85.
19 April 45

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Ed. Lusk
6012

20/4 9B. Fhsup not received. Returned back to contact AQ 20/4 9B

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ACTION SLIP

This slip will NOT be removed

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To:

For G.	Have yr seen This ? 20/4 JB Enclo
A/G	Yes, I will deal with paras 5/7 when yr have finished
For 'G'	all a/v mean is Draft of what may be sent. Do yr want your answers to be included in this letter ? 20/4 [illegible]
Ld	File

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Letter to 7 Army Rep( )

Refs Your supplies 50 Italian OTS (from you are returning) cannot be replaced to be held as Refs, without authority of AAI. Reinforcement is an Italian responsibility and is being taken care of.

Interpreters The situation is acute as demand for (no) exceeds supply. Your request can be passed to the Italian Gen Staff, but should also be referred by your Italian OC to HQ IX Italian Corps.

C 210

SECRET. S/Al/382.

H.Q.
Allied Sub Commission, ACC.

Date AQ/17/4/44
to
ITALIAN ARMY 241

Administration Italian Personnel of 7 Mountain Regiment.

This Regt. is now camped at ATELLA map ref 3854 Sheet 20 1/200,000.

2. There does not appear to be any Italian formation H.Q. within reach of this location.

3. Owing to the fact that no instructions for Discipline and Administration of Italians have yet been issued by Adv. AFHQ., the following problems arise:-
(a) Who now deals with disciplinary cases which are beyond the powers of my Italian Captain?
(b) From where should their pay be drawn?

4. Pay. The Combat Scale pf Pay for Italian soldiers has not yet been issued. This has, it is understood, been promised by the Italian Minister of War at Lecce. Can the extra pay now be authorised, please.

5. Reinforcements. I am sending back shortly approx. 50 Italian O.Rs. who are unsuitable, chiefly owing to medical category. This will leave me with no reserves of I.C.Rs. It would be appreciated if a further 50 I.C.Rs. ~~in accordance with the attached approved Appendix~~ can be issued. In addition, it would be convenient if a special Training unit of Alpini could be kept, from which my reinforcements can be drawn in future.

6. Officers. I am also sending back three officers who are surplus to my W.E.

6609

7. Interpreters. I am two short of W.E. and one of those I have here is unreliable and is being returned. Can you send me three N.C.O. Interpreter/Clerks please?

8. NAAFI supplies. In view of the cutting out of British NAAFI supplies to Italians, I am unable to obtain articles such as Soap, brushes, etc. and I shall not be able to buy razorblades.
(a) Is there any Italian source of supply for NAAFI goods?
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10. Losses of Equipment. Please forward the part-worn prices of:-
   Rucksacks)
   Haversacks)
   Blankets) Italian pattern.
   Respirators)
   Ground Sheets)
so that the necessary charges can be made for articles lost.

Lt.Col.R.A.
Commanding 7 Mountain Regiment,R.A.

Field.
14.4.44.
CWG.

Copy to:- H.Q.,10 AGRA.
Capt.Vella.

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AR[illegible] FORM C 2156 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

[illegible] Srl. No. | Priority | Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: MMIA | Date-Time of Origin: 20 1630Z | Office Date Stamp: AUG 18

For Action:

TO: FLOT

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions | CR

Originator's No.: AO 914

CONFIDENTIAL REF GRIDS A 19 TO 17 SEPT

FLOT TO GET PHOTOS OF SPOIL BUT IT NOT TO INTERFERE WITH

FLOW OF TRAFFIC AT ROAD NAMED MMIA AS SOON AS IT IS

DRY.

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: IMMEDIATE

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ADM 236

REPORT ON VISIT TO SARDINIA

9 - 13 April 1944

1. OBJECT

To investigate methods of handling, supervising, and accounting the issue of supplies to the Italian Armed Forces and to recommend any measures necessary to give better effect to the policy laid down in A.F.H.Q. instructions of 9 January or subsequent instructions from A.A.I.

2. FORCES CONCERNED.

It is difficult to check the effective strength of the Italian garrison for supply purposes but, after allowing a reasonable margin for transients, absentees and categories under consideration, it can be taken as:-

Army	180,000	(incl attached) spread throughout the island.
Navy	10,000	(3,500 based on CAGLIARI, and 6,500 at MADDALENA)
Air	10,000	at CAGLIARI and other airfields.
TOTAL	200,000	(decreasing by some 15,000 per month.)

3. MAIN FACTORS.

a. The importance of rapid port clearance.
b. The acceptance of supplies by the Italians at the earliest possible stage.
c. The keeping of accurate and agreed records of quantities.
d. Allied supervision of distribution and consumption.
e. The prevention of misuse or dishonesty.
f. The maintenance of efficiency in the Italian Forces.

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4. PRESENT SYSTEM.

An Italian Supplies Committee, with representatives of the three ~~Forces~~ Services, under the chairmanship of Colonel DORIA is responsible for handling all supplies from the shipside, and is the agency through which A.C.S. deals.

Supplies arrive in mixed cargoes and those for the Italian Forces (marked I.F.I.) are identified at shipside and taken by Italians in Italian transport to the Committee's depot two miles away. An invoice giving the number of packages (but not necessarily contents) accompanies each load and is receipted by the Italians. Consignments are subsequently checked by the Committee at the depot and receipts given for quantities which actually arrive in the depot. The check is therefore entirely Italian and any discrepancies due to short loading, loss, damage or dishonesty are borne by the Allies.

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The subsequent warehousing, and distribution is good but here again there is no positive check on carelessness or dishonesty.

In effect therefore, though the Allies hand over the supplies to Italian care at the shipside, there is no record of the quantities until checked in by Italian representatives at the depot.

5. POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION. (See corresponding conclusion in para 6)

a. There is no allied supervision of handling, counting, warehousing or subsequent distribution from the time supplies leave shipside.
b. The need for speedy dock clearance makes accurate accounting impossible at shipside.
c. The present basic ration is unsatisfactory because:-
   i The locally procured elements are not in fact being provided regularly by the Italian supply organizations.
   ii The 2 oz. of canned meat is nearly always stew or hash containing only about 3/4 oz. of meat.
   iii Tinned salmon is not appreciated.
   iv The claims for the extra 2 oz. of meat for heavy labor are difficult to authenticate.
   v Sea going naval personnel demand the combat scale not at present allowed.
d. Local purchase of vegetables etc. involves dealing in black market and consequent losses in quantity where a money issue is made to units.
e. A large number of military civilians are attached to the armed forces and claim rations because they are doing the same work.
f. Clothing is now arriving, the demand for winter clothing is over and quantities of summer clothing are insufficient. There is an urgent need for boots, underclothes and cotton trousers.
g. Clothes and boots for repair are available if repair arrangements could be made.
h. Medical Stores are rapidly diminishing and none have arrived from Allied sources. Malarial and V.D. stores are badly needed also reserve stocks of other medicines.
i. Condemned supplies are only noted after distribution, the questions of replacement and accounting need consideration.

6. CONCLUSIONS. (See corresponding points in para 5).

a. Allied Supervisory and Liaison Detachments (and their Italian counterparts) are urgently needed, and should be provided at once.
b. An acceptance point preferably inside the dock area should be established at once where supplies are counted and receipted. Up to this point they should be an Allied responsibility; after it an Italian one.
c. One ration scale for all armed forces is essential and should be ~~applied~~ agreed (suggested scale at App. A.)

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a. Local purchase should be assured by ~~[illegible]~~. control of prices or ~~[illegible]~~ if necessary transfer of commodities from areas of plenty. (Wine and oil from Italy.)

e. Military civilians should NOT receive supplies but obtain their quota through civilian channels.

f. Clothing issues should be decided by A.C.S. (if necessary as restricted by MMIA) a definite policy issued.

g. Repair facilities for boots and clothes should be established at once. Factories and labor are available if A.A.I. will supply materials and dyes (green and blue).

h. Medical supplies should be provided on demand from Italian Medical Depot at Parma (through MMIA). Immediate supplies of Atabrine and V.D. drugs are essential.

i. Unserviceable supplies should be compensated by a small percentage over issue. Major cases should be investigated and dealt with on merits.

j. Costing should not be a local responsibility but should be done by A.C.C. Accountants.

k. Manifests in advance and more careful marking and loading would do much to ease the docks situation and should be emphasized to A.F.H.Q.

7. I am taking up verbally the details of above points, and some minor questions as well, with officers concerned.

W. Pidsley.
Colonel
Attached MMIA

14 April 1944

TO:-
M.M.I.A. (2 copies)
Copies to:
A.A.I. Adm Sub (G-4)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
File (2 copies)

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ACTION SLIP

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

TO

A.Q.

Col Basile informed Col Basile has appointed his rep who is contacting the Sub-Commission in Sicily

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The matter is closed. 19/4

"Unione Militare" denegotiated

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for 18/4

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/M89/CP.

11 April 1944.

Subject: Unione Militare.

To : Army Sub-Commission, ACC.
Main HQ (MMIA),
LECCE (LECCE).

No. 186

1. Reference my letter ACC/M89/CP dated 3 Apr 44, I am informed that the original letter from Regional Property Control Officer in Sicily to Col.Basile has been returned by the Postal authorities.

2. Please therefore transmit to Col.Basile the copy of letter enclosed in my letter referred to above, and request him to get into touch with the Regional Property Control Officer, Sicily Region HQ, APO 394, in order that the procedure of handing over Unione Militare property may be completed.

C. R. S. HARRIS,
Lieut-Colonel,
Director of Property Control.

MILITARY MISSION.
Date 13 Apr. 1918
to
ITALIAN ARMY.

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in Italia Theatre Staff
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From. A.C.C. Sicily
To: M.M.I.A. Col. Basile C.M.M. File..... Date ..2..3..44.

Subject.....

With reference to the transfer under open case of the complete administration of the Military Union, visits it is, at Palermo, please note that this office is ready to hand over and complete all necessary negotiations for said transfer.

We received more request upon to appoint a representative who could give handing over proper and fully effective as it is our wish that the transfer should be carried out regularly and in full accordance with normal legal procedure.

C.C.C.O

For Lt. Col. A.M. Hancock, R.C.C.

(Sgd.) H. F. Bundy, Major, R.A.

See folio 185A + 186

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Sir.
what difference? Tu wf with
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PROPERTY CONTROL SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

ACC/M89/CP.

3 April 1944.

Subject: Unione Militare.

To : Army Sub-Commission, ACC.
Main HQ (MMIA).
LEQUILE (LECCE).

1. Reference to letter from P.Basile,(Col. f.f.g.s), enclosed please find copy of letter dated 2 March 44 sent to Col.Basile.

2. Controller of Property will hand control of the branches of Unione Militare to any person nominated by the Italian Government under proper authority and in accordance with established procedure.

C. R. S. Harris

C. R. S. HARRIS,
Lieut-Colonel,
Director of Property Control.

1 Encl: Copy Letter dated 2 Mar 44.(in Italian).

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COPY

COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
Quartiere Generale Regionale della Sicilia
APO 394

CF/HPB-gd
2 Marzo 1944.

File RPC 080-2.

Signor Col. Pietro Basile
Commissario Unione Militare
P.M. 107.

Con riferimento al trasferimento sotto la Vs. gestione di tutta la amministrazione dell'Unione Militare sede in Palermo, ci preghiamo portare Vs. conoscenza che questo Ufficio e pronto ad effettuare le consegne e svolgere al piu presto le operazioni necessarie per detto trasferimento.

Tuttavia Vi preghiamo provvedre per la nomina di persona da Voi designata che possa sottoscrivere i verbali di consegna e rappresentarvi pienamente essendo nostro desiderio che tutte le consegne e il trasferimento avvengano in modo regolare e secondo la procedura consueta.

Per il Ten.Col. Arturo N. Hancock, RCC.

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H. F. Bundy,
Maggiore, R.A.
Commissario di Controllo
(Controllo Beni).

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SUBJECT: Supplies for Italian Army.

Cancelled see 302

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
AQ/S.
6 Apr 44.

A.A.I. (Adm Sch) - for attention G -4. (2)

Copy to: Col. SIMMONS thru Allied Garrison Comd.
SARDINIA.

The following points concerning the supply of rations, clothing and medical stores to the Italian Forces in SARDINIA (referred to in Col. FIDSLEYS report of 14 April, handed to Brig Gen HAMBLIN) are referred for your consideration and such action as you consider necessary :

1. SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL. (para 6 a.) are required immediately if the intent of the C.C.S. (AFHQ letter of 9th Jan.) is to be made effective. Details of addition to T/O considered necessary are given in my signal, AQ 972 (copy attached) ; your support of these recommendations is requested.

2. RATION SCALE. (para 6 c.) It is understood that AFHQ have already asked that the combat scale should be issuable to all Italian troops. If this is authorised it would meet the case, but if not it is recommended that the scale suggested in Appendix A to this letter should be considered. 6396 The present basic ration is NOT considered sufficient to keep any active troops up to a reasonable standard of efficiency. This is particularly the case where there is a difficulty in obtaining the locally procured elements (para 6 d.) In any case it is requested that steps be taken to ensure adequate supplies of these elements by :

(a) Transporting available commodities from areas of plenty to (SARDINIA and other) areas of shortage.

(b) Control of prices so that the Italian provision sources are not compelled to deal in the black market.

3. REPAIR OF CLOTHES. Adequate facilities and labour exist in SARDINIA for repair of clothing and boots, if materials (particularly thread, leather

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3. REPAIR OF CLOTHES. Adequate facilities and labour exist in SARDINIA for repair of clothing and boots, if materials (particularly thread, leather and needles) were provided. It is recommended that proportion of the scale suggested at Appx C in your letter, 1025/Q1 of 5 April be allocated to SARDINIA.

4. MEDICAL STORES are reputed to be in short supply in SARDINIA, particularly anti-malarial and V.D. drugs. It is urged that the policy and issue of such be treated as an urgent one.

Col. SIMONS, the M.M.I.A. representative at H.Q. Allied Garrison of SARDINIA, is taking this letter to you and will be able to discuss the matter with you on or about 16th April.

A.F.B.

See fol 328

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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SUGGESTED GENERAL RATION - ITALIAN ARMY.

Flour	16 oz.	(or pasta 14 oz or rice 16 oz.)
Pulses	1⅓ oz.	(or dried or tinned vvg. 1⅓ oz.)
P. Meat	2 oz.	(or M & V 4 oz or P. Fish 2 oz.)
Cheese	½ oz.	
Sugar	½ oz.	
Tomato Ketchups	½ oz.	(or paste)
Coffee	½ oz	
Pepper	1/200	

Procured Locally.

Fruit, fresh	4 oz.
Veg	8 oz.
Oil	1 oz.
Wine	½ litre.
Nuts	1 oz.
Salt.	½ oz.

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance Italian Armed Forces.

MILITARY MISSION.

Date 10.8. 14 April

A.F.H.Q.

HQ AAI (Adm Echelon) CMF.

1025/31

5 Apr 44.

to

ITALIAN ARMY.

Reference your AG400/1/(Italian) CDS/AGM dated 14 Mar 44.

1. Your paras 1, 2 and 3 are being replied to separately by G(SD), A.A.I.

2. With regard to para 5, the recommendations of this HQ as to the scale of supply of subsistence, clothing, medical supplies and fuel are contained in the following paragraphs:-

(a) Subsistence.

The subsistence of the effective personnel of the Italian Armed Forces is carried out at present in accordance with this HQ Administrative Instruction No.3 dated 19 Mar 44, of which copies 36 to 40 were forwarded to you. There is no desire to alter anything in this instruction, with the exception that it is strongly recommended that one ration scale common to all troops should be introduced, and it is considered that the Combat Ration Scale laid down by you for Italian Armed Forces is adequate and should be adopted as the common ration scale. There are, in addition, certain commodities which are necessary for the subsistence of Italian military personnel which are not covered by the Combat Ration Scale, and for which, it is considered, provision action should be taken. These commodities are as follows:-

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(i) Hospital Supplies

It has been represented by the Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. that there are certain items of special hospital diet which cannot be obtained from local resources in ITALY, SARDINIA and SICILY, and it is recommended that these should be supplied in accordance with the scale

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(ii) Disinfectants and Miscellaneous items.

It is also recommended that disinfectants, etc., should be supplied to the Italian Armed Forces in accordance with the scale laid down in Appendix "B".

(b) Clothing.

(i) It is agreed that the scale of clothing and individual equipment, as laid down in para 4 of your above quoted letter is adequate. It is suggested, however, that if Jersey Pullovers are issued in lieu of Undershirts they should be issued on the scale of one per man in the interests of personal hygiene.

(ii) It is also considered that some provision should be made for the repair and maintenance of clothing, and it is suggested that the scale laid down in Appendix "C" would be adequate.

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(c) Medical Supplies

It is recommended that the scale for medical supplies to the Italian Armed Forces should be on the basis of 40 tons per month per 100,000 troops. The detailed breakdown for this would be submitted every 10 days by the Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. through departmental channels. These medical supplies would include anti-malarial drugs as required. In this connection, it is strongly recommended that medical supplies should be shipped to Italian ports in the same manner as other supplies, and cleared under arrangements to be made by Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. into Italian Medical Stores Depots. The detailed distribution of medical supplies will be conducted under the supervision of the Medical Administrative Staff of the Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

(d) Fuel

(i) The issue of POL to the Italian Army is at present regulated by A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No.11 dated 28 Feb 44, and it is recommended that the present system should continue, with the introduction of such additional safeguards against excessive use as are found to be necessary.

(ii) It is not recommended that any special importations of coal should be made on behalf of the Italian Army. It is considered that such supplies of fuel as are necessary can be obtained from local resources through the Allied Forces Local Resources Boards.

for General, Army
Commander-in-Chief.

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W.D. Clarke
for General, Brig
Commander-in-Chief.

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G(3D) A.A.I. (Adm Echelon) C.M.F.
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Appendix "A" to HQ AAI (Adm Echelon) CMF letter 1025/Q1 dated 5 Apr 44.

Milk	6,200 lbs
Rice	11, 700 lbs
Semolina or equivalent	3,000 lbs
Butter or Margarine	10,400 lbs
Meat Extract	520 lbs

Based on 13,000 patients for 10 days.

Appendix "B" to HQ AAI (Adm Echelon CMF letter 1025/Q1 dated 5 Apr 44.

	Malarial Areas	Non-Malarial Areas
Water Sterilizing Powder.	30 lbs	30 lbs
Anti Mosquito Cream or, Insect Repellent 25% Individual 75% Bulk.	375 lbs 25 galls	As required when Sandflies, midges etc are a nuisance
Taste Remover Tablets.	2,500	2,500
Izal	2 gall	2 gall
Fly catchers.	480 No.	480 No.
Prepared Rat bait.	1 lb	1 lb
A.L. 63.	190 lbs	190 lbs
Blocks Fumigating.	4 blocks	4 blocks
Anti-Mosquito Spray.	100 galls	45 galls
Cresoli.	35 galls	35 galls
Methylated Spirits.	18 galls	18 galls
Malariol.	165 galls	-
Paris Green.	112 lbs	-

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Appendix "B" to HQ AAI (Adm Echelon CMF letter 1025/Q1 dated 5 Apr 44.

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Anti-Mosquito Spray.	100 galls	45 galls
Cresoli.	35 galls	35 galls
Methylated Spirits.	18 galls	18 galls
Malariol.	165 galls	-
Paris Green.	112 lbs	-
Candles H.C.	250 lbs	250 lbs
Candles L.S.	30 lbs	30 lbs.

Scale per 1,000 men per month.

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Appendix "C" to HQ AAI (Adm Echelon CIF letter 1025/01 dated 5 Apr 44.

A. Grindery - 500,000 men for one month

Section C.D.

Leather

1469	Soles	Size 1	200,000	
1470	"	" 2	200,000	
1471	"	" 3	100,000	
1361	Lifts	" 1	100.000	
1362	"	" 2	200,000	
1363	"	" 3	200,000	
1532	Tips Filling	2 7/8	100,000	prs
1533	" "	3	200,000	
1535	" "	3½	200,000	
1199	Flax		25,000	lbs
1597	Wax Shoemakers		150	lbs
1135	Bristles		5,000	bundles
1449	Screws Tip Toe		2,000	gross
1386	Nails Hob		3,500	lbs
	Nails ¾"			
	" 1"			
1387	Heel Tip 1⅛		3,500	lbs
1224	Ink Dry Black Canisters		5,000	
1410	Pegs Wood		1,500	lbs
1552	Tips Iron Boot Heel	2 7/8	100,000	
1553	" " " "	3	200,000	
1554	" " " "	3⅛	200,000	
1573	Tips Iron Boot Toe	2 7/8	100,000	
1574	" " " "	3	200,000	
1575	" " " "	3⅛	200,000	

B. Tailoring for 500,000 men for one month

Machine cotton:-

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1533	"	"	3	200,000
1535	"	"	3⅛	200,000

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1199	Flax	25,000	lbs
1597	Wax Shoemakers	150	lbs
1135	Bristles	5,000	bundles
1449	Screws Tip Toe	2,000	gross
1386	Nails Hob	3,500	lbs
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1387	Heel Tip 1⅛	3,500	lbs
1224	Ink Dry Black Canisters	5,000	
1410	Pegs Wood	1,500	lbs
1552	Tips Iron Boot Heel 2 7/8	100,000	
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1573	Tips Iron Boot Toe 2 7/8	100,000	
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1575	" " " " 3⅛	200,000	

B. Tailoring for 500,000 men for one month

Machine cotton:-

Khaki No.30	10,000,000	yds
No.40	10,000,000	yds
White No.40	10,000,000	yds

Buttons Brass:-

4 hole	6,000	singles
V.I.D.	6,000	singles

Needles:-

Handsewing	1,000,000
Darning	500,000

Worsted Grey:-

4 oz. balls	500,000

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SUBJECT: Allied Supplies for Italian Armed Forces.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (ALTA)
Detail (LECCE)
AQ/8.
10 Apr 44.

FOTALY Navy House, TARANTO.
Air Sub Commission, A.C.C. BARI.

Further to my AQ/8 of 16 March.

1. A conference will be held at this HQ in LECCE, Q 5298 near LECCE at 1130 hrs on Tuesday 18th April to discuss draft accounting instructions with Col. PIDSLEY who will by then be back from SARDINIA and SICILY.

2. Will you please send a representative to discuss supply accounting for your Italian service personnel on Mainland, SICILY, SARDINIA and CORSICA. Reps will be released to lunch afterwards.

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for Brig.
Army Sub Com, A.C.C.

two.

COPY to S.T. } Rep
CRO. } to
Medical. } attend.
Col. PIDSLEY.

MESSAGE FORM. 2A PQ/8 227

From: MMIA

To : FLAMBO rpt FREEDOM. AQ 936 10

RESTRICTED (*) Refer G 427986 cite Flamfor 164x dated 4 April and second part of FREEDOM F 26567 cite FHSUP dated 2 April (*) SOP for submission of all accounting of supplies to Chief Accountant ACC in course of preparation to cover Mainland SARDINIA and SICILY (*) Details now being tied up by Colonel PIDSLEY for Islands (*) Full details of plan will be forwarded immediately it has been coordinated with Chief Accountant ACC and all Allied HQs and services concerned (*) In meanwhile record being maintained so that they may be presented in final form when SOP settled

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Sgd F J Nram HQ

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MESSAGE FORM

Date Time

From:- M.M.I.A.

To:- ACSF Rptd PLACE INSTRUCTIONS

Q614 (.) MOST SECRET (.) Ref FRENCH letter [illegible]/424 of 15 Feb (.) GOC (.) Comments set forth in my Q445 of 26 Jan still apply except where they have been incorporated in paras four eleven and thirteen of new draft directive (.) TWO (.) Strongly recommend that whole instruction be framed to cover employment of Italian troops by all repeat all Allied nations and that existing Italian army documentation comma organisation and chain of responsibility be maintained to fullest extent (.) THREE (.) Therefore consider that following amendments should still be made (.) Substitute Allied for British throughout (.) para five charlie (.) Inclusion of universal section in Italian Military law to avoid submission of cobelligerents to penal codes foreign to them (.) para ten able (.) Delete last sentence and substitute quote an order of battle showing strengths of Italian units and formations serving under Allied command will be furnished monthly to this HQ by Army Sub Commission ACC unquote (.) para ten charlie one (.) Reinforcement depots to have Italian commander and staff and be positioned by arrangements made through Army Sub Commission ACC (.) Italian documentation and channels of demanding reinforcements to continue (.) para seventeen (.) Delete last sentence and substitute quote mail for Italian personnel of diluted units will be despatched through nearest Allied Army Post Office and censored by nearest Allied Censorship

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Sgd._____

Sgd. B.G. Clarke-Hunt By ALS Maj for Brig. Comd

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ARMY FORM C2130. (Pads of 100.)

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2613

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TO MMIA

FROM FLANBO	Originator's Number 94	Date 13	In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL ⊙ Date FLANFOR 178 ⊙ reference your AR948 ⊙ message F30392 was from NATOUSA to COMSOS ⊙ it informs SOS that upon arrival special clothing and food stuffs etc 6588 is to be issued that the reports and procedure for control set up by army sub commission goes into effect CMA that ACC chief accountant will be informed of procedure CMA quantity and kind by 15 of each month ⊙ States further

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TO

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

that the initial special food set up for delivering to FAKIR arrives in Jaina ⊙ No action required by MOH 6587

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TO MMIA

FROM FLAMBO

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
QA30029	—	—

Your AQ949 of 11 april D MOV this HQ are despatching copy of code list forthwith

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13/4/98

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TO FLAMBO

FROM MMTA

Originator's Number AQ 249 | Date 11 | In Reply to Number

Secret (.) my that words TOMB MMTA(.) of refer AQ 866 messages quote unquote essential this type

9/29493 of were FANG which MMTA

dated 30 being CHAM are has code

10 Apr Mar received MIW unknown relevent list

(.) reported concerning BOWL to parts 6585 2 7135-B

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Signed FAVACK

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MESSAGE FORM. Copy ST-ORP

To : FLAMBO

From : MMIA AQ 948 11

RESTRICTED (*) Message from FREEDOM number F 30392 dated 10 April cite NAQME received garbled (*) Request FLAMBO give MMIA appropriate orders.

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Sgd F I Noad Lt Col

Sgd _____

TOO 131713

THI _____

MESSAGE FORM.

From: MMIA

To: FLAMBO rptd: FREEDOM FHSUP: FALCON for SIRONS :

DIATOME: IBS

copy: S.T. MMIA.

AQ 932

SECRET (*) Reference FREEDOM cite FHSUP signal F 26567 dated 2 Apr (*)
FIRST (*) Estimated most suitable percentage shipment of 100,000 combat and
400,000 basic rations for arrival June and July follows (*) Combat (*)
4% NAPLES 49% EAST Coast Mainland 2% PALERMO 5% CAGLIARI (*) Basic (*)
25% NAPLES 25% EAST Coast Mainland 6% CROTONE 6% PALERMO 38% CAGLIARI (*)
SECOND (*) Report on system for accounting follows in separate signal.

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FLAMFOR 164 also

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for information:
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TO Hambo. info. Amsw. Comdt. Samoa. for MARCA

FROM Hudson Cate FSHQ | Originator's Number F 86267 | Date 2. | In Reply to Number

Comdt Samoa ① Samoa will be furnished authorities for time being ref journ 104 joint ① inventory showing number of rations issued since last report by ships and Samoa. ① all rations may be shipped locations as desired and in quantities, any change in total strength or percentage strength from the following: Shipment by Convoy is

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TO

FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number

rations for 100,000 67% OHAM and Duko and
Shipments of basic rations for 400,000 55% Bond 24%
Mite 13% Huko at present 8% Tom: Shd be communicated
Latter HQ immediately ⊙ New Entries ⊙ Report system
in effect for accounting for all supplies issued To Italian
Ops in accordance with following ⊙ A ⊙ Do not do so
showing details amounts and control of all supplies Paid 2

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TO

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

Transferred to Asst. Chief Accountant Acc ⊙ B ⊙ If so, from what Sources ⊙ C ⊙ What checks are in force to insure records in A. Adna reaching Chief Accountant. Acc ⊙ D ⊙ Are copies of Records in A. Adna furnished any other agency ⊙ If so, which ⊙ Signed C-in-C.

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TO CG SOS NATOUSA ytd NORBS FLAMBO MMA

FROM FREEDOM CITE NAPMC	Originator's Number F10392	Date 10	In Reply to Number —

CONFIDENTIAL @All supplies issued to Italian Military from U.S Army stks will be reported to chief accountant ACC showing total quantity and price @Rep to reach chief accountant ACC by 15th of each month FARA @ Price shipment special Italian Military rations set up for Theater delivery C FAKIR upon arrival of rations and special clothing for Italian Military report and control procedure established by Hqtrs @ 360 per man decentralized @ Above ration to guerr FLAMBO 725 dated 7 Oct.

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SUBJECT: Supply of Fresh Water for TREMITI and PELEGOSA Islands.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/S.
12 Apr 44.

Ministry of War.

1. H.Q. AAI wish to know the requirements of fresh water for the islands of PELEGOSA and the TREMITI Group during this Spring and Summer.

2. Will you please confirm that the direct administration of these Islands is in the hands of 9 Corps and notify MMIA as soon as possible of the following:

(a) No of personnel on the Islands.

(b) Quantity of fresh water required.

(c) At what locations, and

(d) Amount of water allotted per head daily.

3. Water containers are scarce and demands will therefore be kept to a minimum. It will be necessary for the local authorities on the Islands to enforce a strict system of rationing.

B.G. Carew Hunt
Maj
for Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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tve.BGCH.

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To (1)

Major BYATT.

Ref att letter re TREMITI & PELAGOSA Islands & water supply thereof.

1) Please confirm that IX Corps administer Islands. I thought it was AMG.

Then

2) Ask them quantity of fresh water required for Spring & Summer periods together with locations where required.

3. Tell them only minimum can be sent.

4. Letter follows: This is to give them time to get cracking.

Bgcot.
8/4.

DAQMG. Necessary buttons pushed. Production forthcoming (we hope).

[illegible] 9/4.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 351

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TO MAIA

FROM FLAMBO.	Originator's Number G28679	Date	In Reply to Number

Please state what are requirements of supply to control the movement of troops under our command in the Italian TY Corps () area and dates must be kept to a minimum and in order to prevent wrecking the work of the civilians *Notify this HQ

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Signed			T.H.I. See 319

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Note for General ROBERTSON (AG) of 20 Mar

1. SUPPLY ORGANISATION for Italian Army, Navy and Air Force in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA. AFHQ letter AG400-1 (ITALY) GDS-AGM of 9 Jan states in para (f)

"The Allied Armies will provide a minimum number of officers and enlisted men for supervisory purposes..... otherwise satisfy themselves that all supplies turned over to the Italian Army are received, warehoused, accounted for and issued in accordance with the intent of this directive".

2. The term Italian Army includes Italian Navy and Air Force within the ration ceiling of 500,000 and is so defined in para 1 and Appendix 'B' of above letter. The term supplies includes clothing and motor transport.

3. Relevant correspondence (not all in my office) is:

(a) FREEDOM signal 45220 dated 31 Jan to FLAMBO.

(b) MMIA letter AG/8 of 11 Feb to FLAMBO and HQ A.C.C.

(c) FLAMBO Q15775 of 11 Feb to FREEDOM.

(d) FREEDOM 50389 of about 11 Feb to FLAMBO.

(e) FLAMBO letter 31/5/Q3 of 18 Feb to FREEDOM.

(f) FLAMBO letter 25/Q1 of 23 Feb to MMIA.

(g) MMIA letter AG/8 of 26 Feb to FLAMBO.

4. No directive based on para 1 has yet been issued to define responsibilities, and from MMIA point of view is long overdue. FLAMBO 25/Q1 of 23 Feb refers. 6575

5. For the MAINLAND MMIA have set up a supervisory organisation with borrowed staff, and Italians are to start feeding themselves on 25th Mar. SARDINIA is still run by Allied Garrison Comd and SICILY by DISTONE.

6. Col PIDSLEY is being loaned to me for one month to produce accounting instructions and standing orders for supply organisation to Italian Forces in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA. He is due to arrive by air today and will be available to visit FLAMBO as desirable directly he has got in the picture.

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ABC

Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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File AQ/8.

To:

Comd. I think it is important that we be in with Force 133 at once. I propose to start again to find an Atv Adv. Draft formation.

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A/Q

Find out what supplies he has sent and whose. The sending of supplies from Italian Stocks in many cases, is a question of policy. It may be necessary but is not later ops for that we should be under the impression that an Allied responsibility Force 133 & Air Sub Comm I have no doubt that Messrs Information is correct as Gen OXLEY has just come out of Montenegro & will have

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Amtd. I will take up with SACMED.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

QS/mms

QS121

17 March 1944

SUBJECT: Situation of Italian Troops in Montenegro.

TO : Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

The attached PM 151/A of 14 Mar. from Comando Supremo is forwarded to you for consideration. Will you please send back your comments on it as soon as possible so that the matter may be put up to the Chief Commissioner without delay.

G. W. Quinsmith Lt. Col.

(G. W. QUINSMITH)
Army Sub-Commission

1 Incl. PM 151/A

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TRANSLATION - Sgt. Soriai

PM 151/A 14 Mar. 1944

TO: A.C.C.

SUPREME COMMAND
OPERATIONS OFFICE
FILE NO. 11762/OP

SUBJECT: Situation of Italian Troops in Montenegro.

Serious living conditions which Combat and Labour Units of the "GARIBALDI" Division are undergoing, due mostly to scarcity of food and clothing; to very bad equipment in quarters; to the spread of an epidemic of typhus (esantematico) which is difficult to control on account of the lack of medical supplies; to the particularly rigid winter weather conditions; have lately become so strenuous as to impair greatly the efficacy of these Units.

Furthermore, in consequence of sporadic guerilla warfare and hard engagements fought in December at PLJEVLJA and PRJEPOLJE, the Division has had losses in armament and ammunition.

Pressing requests for medical supplies, shoes, weapons, funds, food, etc., are sent to me continually by General OXILIA.

Hurdling many obstacles of material orders, I have obtained all the supplies which the Division needed; I have asked the Royal Air Force HQ. to add supplementary reservoirs on the Macchi 205 Pursuit aircraft to convoy direct transport planes, which were being covered by American fighters in the past; I have directly contacted Air Commodor FORSTER to increase supply service to Montenegro, calling to his attention the necessity of:

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Making more frequent landings on the Berane field since not all supplies, especially medicines and arms, could be dropped by air,

Alleviating as soon as possible the dead weight of over 200 wounded and sick Italians and Partisans who await transfer to Italy for some time,

Utilise to the utmost Berane airfield, since the Germans might want to occupy it when the weather becomes better.

In fact, in January a cycle of night parachute drops was organised, and partly put into operation; from the 30th of that month, however, all supplies to the "GARIBALDI" Division ceased.

Between the end of February and the first days of March, due to clearer weather, our transport planes have dropped Allied supplies for the Partisans in the Balkans.

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Though I am perfectly aware of the logistic necessities of the E.L.J., of the obstacles which winter weather puts before the operation of air activity, I beg the Control Commission to consider the question that, in view of the service our planes are rendering to supply the Partisans, a part of these planes could supply, at the same time, the "GARIBALDI" Division at KOLASIN and BERANE.

I believe it indispensable because the roads are difficult to use, there is lack of communications, and the enemy sets traps. This makes almost impossible the distribution of supplies to Italian troops located far from the site where the British Military Mission drops its supplies destined for Italian and Partisan troops.

I feel it my duty to insist once more on the prime necessity of having some transport planes land more frequently at BERANE, for the purpose of making possible the sending of medicines which are at this moment needed more than ever to keep under control the serious typhus epidemic, and for the cure of wounded and sick who increase continually.

The Marshal of Italy
Chief of the General Staff
/s/ GIOVANNI MESSE

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Sgt. Sorisi - Translator

MESSAGE FORM.

From SHA

To : FLANBO rpt FREEDOM. AQ 236 10

RESTRICTED (*) Refer G 427986 cite Flanfor 164x dated 4 April and second part of FREEDOM F 26567 cite FHSUP dated 2 April (*) SOP for submission of all accounting of supplies to Chief Accountant ACC in course of preparation to cover Mainland SARDINIA and SICILY (*) Details now being tied up by Colonel PIDSLEY for Islands (*) Full details of plan will be forwarded immediately it has been coordinated with Chief Accountant ACC and all Allied HQs and services concerned (*) In meanwhile record being maintained so that they may be presented in final form when SOP settled

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TO MMIA

FROM FLAMBO

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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Confidential to FLAMBO	cite FLAM for repeat FREEDOM	164X request	you signal answer to FHSUP	number F26562	

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TO AFHQ INFO CG SOS AND MMIA

to ITALIAN ARMY.

FROM FLAMBO	Originator's Number G428734	Date	In Reply to Number

Confidential cite FLAM for 168 % cite FHSUP signal F26567 dated 2 April Re CORSICA in same category as Italian territory so far as reporting CMA accounting and controlling returns for Italian armed forces by MMIA is concerned NORBASE be officially informed MMIA authority in this matter

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SUBJECT: Accounting for Supplies provided by the Allies to Italian Armed Forces.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
9 Apr 44.

Flag Officer,
Taranto and Adriatic.

With reference to your letter, No. T.A. 1030/13a dated 29th March 44.

Attached hereto are copies of A.C.C. letter, APO 394 of 6 February 44 and A.F.H.Q. letter, AG 400 - 1 (Italy) GDS - AGH, Copy 42 of 9th January 44, as requested.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Ffoulkes, Capt
for Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN NAVY.

FROM.. FLAG OFFICER TARANTO AND ADRIATIC.

DATE.. 29th March, 1944. No.T.A.1030/13a.

TO .. ARMY SUB-COMMISSION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

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With reference to your letter AQ/8 of 15th March, the Minister of Marine will forward a statement showing the ration strength of the Italian Navy every ten days. My letter No. T.A.1030/13 of 29th March refers.

2. A.F.H.Q. letter AG 400 - 1 (Italy) GDS - AGM of 9th January and A.C.C. letter AFO 394 of 6th February have not been received; it is requested that copies may be supplied.

A. T. Morgan.

(2) REAR-ADMIRAL.

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From (Originator) MMIA | Date Time of Origin 4 0945

For Action

TO FALCON for SIMIONE

(W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp. AQ 18

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Originator's No. 0329

From DUCHESNE (.) PEELLY expects to arrive at your HQ Saturday 8 APRIL for about two days

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance Italian Forces - Policy

HQ., AAI (Adm Sch)
CMF
1025/1/Q1
28 Mar 44

Army Sub-Commission, ACC

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Ref your signal AQ 798 of 19 Mar 44.

It is not practicable to signal details of stores available for transfer to Italian depots. PBS and British Services will inform you in the usual way when their depots have stores available for transfer to Italian depots.

A complete list of clothing and boots handed over, with date and place, cannot be provided. This should be covered by the normal method of preferring charges against the Italians for clothing and boots provided.

It is regretted that your wishes in the matter cannot be met, but it is essential that administrative work in connection with the transfer of stores to the Italians be reduced to a minimum.

for Major General.
Chief Administrative Officer

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A C T I O N S L I P

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To:

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I think you were interested in this.

In view of the approaching good weather I can no reason why ITI military should not go out into forestry work in camps.

Jr M/k

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Can answer to our letter to Hon Min Defence, reference military persons, should form the basis of an answer to this. Maybe you will have the answer when you return from Naples

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aQ

Wrote Quartermaster to get answer to our G/6/1/3V of 24 March as soon as possible.

Please bring this up again on 8th if no reply from Quartermaster by that time.

(K)

S/sgt BF & Mor

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

22 MAR 1944

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ACC/14043/PS

21 March 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Military Prisoners in Italian Civil Prisons.

TO : Brig. C. C. Duchesne, Army Sub-Commission. 27 Mar. Aw/8.

1. The overcrowding of Italian prisons has reached such proportions as to make immediate corrective measures imperative.

2. There are several factors which contribute to the existing conditions, among which are the following:-

(a) The requisitioning of Italian prisons by Allied Forces for military purposes, including the confinement of Allied military prisoners.

(b) The delays in the trial of arrested Italian civilians by Italian courts.

(c) The increase in the number of criminal offences by Italian civilians.

(d) The use of Italian civil prisons for Italian military prisoners.

3. As to (a), the Chief Commissioner has by letter dated March 13, 1944 taken the matter up with HQ. AAI., which, while it will undoubtedly curb further requisitioning, will probably not result in the release of sufficient prisons to Italian control to alleviate the present overcrowding. 6362

As to (b), the Chief, Legal Sub-Commission is endeavoring to bring about the more expeditious trial of cases by the Italian courts. This action will relieve the congestion only insofar as sentence to imprisonment is not imposed at the trial.

No marked diminution in (c) is foreseeable particularly in view of the concerted steps being taken in Black Market and prostitution prosecutions.

This brings me to (d). The acuteness of the overcrowded condition would be considerably relieved if Italian Military Prisoners were confined in a stockade or military prison camp. This proposal was earlier made in a letter sent to HQ ACC, then at Brindisi, on 20 Jan. 1944, a copy of which is attached hereto, and to which no reply was received. It would be greatly appreciated if this matter could be brought again to the attention of the Italian Military authorities, for their consideration and action.

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The advantage of having military prisoners under military control and discipline is obvious and needs no comment. The danger to health is likewise apparent.

Specifically, the BARI prison, designed to accommodate 705 prisoners, now has a population of 1401 of which 724 are Italian Military prisoners. The LECCE prison with a capacity of 670 inmates actually is accommodating 727, of whom 320 are Italian Military Prisoners.

I realize the incongruity of the position in which we are placed: we ask the Italian Military to remove their prisoners from civil prisons on the one hand, whereas our military has requisitioned Italian civil prisons for the confinement of Allied Military prisoners on the other. Nevertheless, the need for prompt action to remedy the congestion is obvious; and the adoption of the suggestion made would place military prisoners under military jurisdiction where they properly belong.

I should be grateful if you would indicate to me the view which you and the Italian Army Staff take of the proposal.

Paul G Kirk

PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel, Inf.
Chief, Public Safety,
Sub-Commission

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TO: ACTION FLAMBO CG SOS NATOUSA CG PBS GOC DISTWO FATIMA FOR CHIEF AMG ACCOUNTANT GC IBS GOC DISTONE MORES FALCON ND AAFSC/MTO ADV FOR INFO

FROM: SIGNED CINC CITE FHSUP FHMGS NAPTH ND FHGDS 50389 11 Feb.

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PROCEDURE FOR ACCOUNTING FOR SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN MILITARY REFERRED IN YOUR 1004 DATED 10 FEB IS SUBJECT ACCEPTANCE AND RECEIPT FOR IMPORTED SUPPLIES OR SHIPS MANIFESTS BY ITALIAN MILITARY IS AUTHORISED . FINAL SUBMISSION OF RECORDS TO ACCOUNTANT MUST BE IN SUCH FORM AS TO ACCOMPLISH PROPER RECORD . PARA WHETHER PHYSICAL ACCEPTANCE OF IMPORTED SUPPLIES BY ITALIAN MILITARY AUTHORITIES IS AT SHIPS SIDE OR AT ITALIAN DEPOTS IS A MATTER FOR YOUR ADJUSTMENT BASED ON TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND OTHER LOCAL CONSIDERATIONS . PARA ADVISE THIS HQ, CHIEF ACCOUNTANT ALLIED COMMISSION, OTHER AREAS CONCERNED: AND ITALIAN MILITARY MATTER OF PROCEDURE REFERENCE ABOVE . PARA NEW SUBJECT FOR CG SOS NATOUSA . ANSWERS YOUR L 500 DATED 10 FEB THIS DOES

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TO:- FLAMBO

RPTD: CG SOS NATOUSA, CG PBS, COC DISTWO, FATIMA FOR CHIEF AMG ACCOUNTANT, CG IBS, GOC DISTONE, NORBS, FAIOCCH, AND AAFSC/MTO ADVANCED

FROM: FREEDOM

RTP : 50389 11 Feb

SIGNED CINC CITE FIBUP, FIMGS, NAFIM, AND FHGDA.

Procedure for accounting for supplies to Italian Military referred in your 1044 of 10 Feb is subject.

Acceptance and receipt for imported supplies on ships manifests by Italian Military is authorised. Final submission of records to accountant must be in such form as to accomplish proper record.

Whether physical acceptance of imported supplies by Italian Military authorities is at ships side or at Italian Depots is a matter for your adjustment based on transportation facilities and the local considerations.

Advise this HQ Chief accountant Allied Control Commission, other areas concerned, and Italian Military manner of procedure reference above.

New subject for CG SOS NATOUSA. This answers your L500 dated 10 Feb.

ORIGINATOR : CM

INFO: MGS
FINANCE
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SUMMARY
AG RECORDS

AUTH: T H RAMSEY, BRIG GEN

CONCURRED: MGS
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MO OUT 2995 11 Feb 44

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A C T I O N S L I P

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To:

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Hel AAI was not received with
much fanfare by No 1 District. The
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won't know what to do in view
of para 3.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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AFH/2554/Q(Maint)

23 Mar 44

SUBJECT: Maintenance of SABAUDA Division.

H.Q., A.A.I. (Addis Ech).

1. The attached letter was received by this H.Q. prior to the re-organisation of command, whereby No. 1 District came under your command.

2. Shortly afterwards FAN 338 was received setting the broad overall policy for the maintenance of Italian troops, the contents of which have been notified to you separately together with the action required as a result.

3. It is evident that the SABAUDA Division should receive the same treatment as the remainder of the the Italian Army, that is to say it cannot be on a higher scale of supplies in items that have to come from overseas than are approved by the Combined Chiefs Of Staff for the Italian Army as a whole, and at the same time it should have the same access as the rest of the Italian Army to those items which are considered necessary and can be made available from local resources.

4. The interim policy for meeting the essential needs of the Italian Army still remains as stated in A.F.H.Q. signal No. 7274 of 29 Nov 43. 6357

In accordance with this policy, the following paragraphs indicate seriatim the extent to which British military stocks can be utilized to meet the needs of the SABAUDA Division as put forward in the letter from G.O.C. No. 1 District for the period to 1 July 44, subject to decisions in detail, which are delegated to you.

5. S.T. SUPPLIES.

(a) Hospital Diet.

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Pending the decision whether hospital diet items are to be regarded as forming part of the Italian Army scale, it is considered that limited supplies of these items can be made available from British stocks subject to suitable control by the British medical and supply authorities. In principle reserves should not be held other than under British control.

(b) Disinfectants.

As for 5 (a) above.

(c) Fuel.

There should be no difficulty in meeting under the existing machinery.

(d) Repairing.

It is agreed that this should be as for British troops, subject to supplies being available without prejudice to Allied requirements.

2/Para 6 - M.F.I. SUPPLIES.....

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6. E.F.I. SUPPLIES

PI and EFI supplies cannot be made available to the Italian Army since provision is made on the basis of meeting Allied requirements only.

Certain of the items - tooth brushes, toilet soap and razor blades - could be made available from British Ordnance stocks as an interim measure if not available from Italian Army stocks on the mainland.

7. ORDNANCE SUPPLIES

(a) Clothing and Equipment - Initial Issues.

Boots are already covered by arrangements made.

The other items listed in No. 1 District List can be made available for the SARAUDA Division from British stocks, if considered essential and if they or equivalents cannot be made available from Italian Army stocks or local purchase.

(b) Replacement of Clothing and Equipment.

Clothing and boots are already covered under distribution arrangements in the hands of M.M.I.A. 6956

(c) Grindery

(d) Maintenance of Clothing

(e) Preservation Equipment

(f) Personnel

(g) Anti-Malarial Equipment

(h) Accommodation Stores

Amounts can be provided for the SARAUDA Division from British stocks if considered essential, except for the preservation equipment which comes within the category of combat equipment and cannot therefore be supplied from Allied stocks.

These items must be made available from Italian military or civil resources and are not to be provided from Allied military stocks.

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The A.F.L.R.S. Boards deal with the allocation of local resources, and any requirements for the Italian Army are presumably presented to the A.F.L.R.S. Board by the A.C.C. representative.

9. It is therefore requested that you issue such orders in respect of the maintenance of the SABAUDA Division as you consider necessary in accordance with the policies stated above - notifying this H.Q. so that any issues required from British military stocks can be furnished or replenished from NORTH AFRICA, where necessary.

W.R. BEDDINGTON, Brigadier, for
Lieutenant General,
Chief Administrative Officer
A.F.H.Q.

Copy No: H.Q., No. 5 District.
M.M.I.A.
G.S.
Gen. (A)
Surgeon
Q.M.
Q(AE)
D.S.T.
Ord.

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SUBJECT: Equipment of Sabauda Div

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AFHQ G3(Org)

1 Ref your RSD/424 dated 19 Jan and further to my 1553/G dated 24 Jan.

2 Arrangements for the maintenance of ITALIAN troops stationed in SICILY in clothing, equipment and stores (other than food) are still most unsatisfactory, and since the SABAUDA Division has now been here for over three months I request that definite instructions on the subject may be issued as soon as possible.

3 It does not appear to be realised by all those concerned that there are now NO stocks of captured equipment in SICILY available for issue to these troops. Every single item of such clothing or equipment as might have been of use to these troops has been taken by Force 133 (with the exception of a small amount of medical supplies). Col SIMMONDS and the present GOC of the SABAUDA Division also both state that NO stocks of clothing and equipment exist in SARDINIA for issue to ITALIAN troops in SICILY.

4 All clothing, equipment and stores for the SABAUDA Division must therefore either come from BRITISH or AMERICAN stocks or ITALIAN Army stocks now held outside the Island.

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At present they are issued with so little that their morale has dropped to the point where the Division is a liability.

6 I have prepared tables (Appendices 'A' to 'C' hereto) giving particulars of clothing, equipment and stores additional to those authorised in your letter, which I consider should be the minimum issued to the Division at once. They will enable the Div to maintain itself and improve slightly the appalling conditions in which it now lives. The strength of the Div is at present 12,000.

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7 I have not attempted to prepare complete AFs G. 1098. but only quantities of essential stores required to maintain the Division in a state whereby it can satisfactorily carry out the duties at present required of it, namely guarding dumps, airfields, etc.

8 I consider that a Fd. Hygiene Sect. should be equipped; and in my Q 295 dated 6 Feb I asked for the release of the equipment handed in by MMSDO.

9 Hospital equipment for the hospitals in Sicily has been supplied from either Italian Red Cross sources or captured equipment. At present drugs and dressing are being supplied from a small reserve of captured Italian medical equipment. This has been agreed to by A.F.H.Q. and their ruling about future sources of supply is awaited.

10 I attach great importance to the issue of medical equipment and of stores contributing to mere hygienic living conditions for tps, e.g. R.E. stores, disinfectants, mosquito nets. Unless these are provided I foresee the outbreak of serious epidemics of dysentry and malaria when the hot weather comes. These will not only affect the health of our own tps, but will overburden the limited medical resources of the Island, both British and Italian.

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11 In order that worn out or lost clothing may be replaced without undue delay and lengthy and voluminous correspondance, I would request that I be empowered to authorise issue of replacements. Personal equipment and clothing will inevitably wear out, and losses occur. I feel it preferable in every way that I should be empowered to authorise its replacement, than have to write for authority on every occasion. I will, of course, ensure that only absolutely necessary issues are made.

12 A further question not dealt with in your MSD/4.21. dated 13 Jan has recently arisen; whether the Italian Army is empowered to requisition property; if so, the procedure by which it does so, and by which preference is given to British bids in case of competition.

13 I hope that this letter may assist in evolving a definite policy for the equipment and maintenance of the Sabauda Div. I consider it of prime importance that an end be put to the present uncertainty.

Major-General,
Commanding,
No. 1 District.

C.M.F.
JFC/ASP

16 Feb 44

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Appendix "A" to H.Q. No 1 District
Letter 2152/9 dated 16 Feb 44

S.T.

(a) Hospital Supplies

When not available by local purchase, on same scale as for British Hospitals i.e.,

Commodity	Scale in lbs per 1000 men per 30 days		Commodity	Scale in lbs per 1000 men per 30 days	
Arrowroot	7		Cocoa Tinned	35	
Cauliflour	25		Horlicks	12	
Barley Pearl	12		Milk Condensed	1,400	
Bengers Food	4		Salmon Red	125	
Ovaltine	12		Sardines	25	
Last Extract	12		Tea Tinned	80	
Baking Powder	10		Sugar	320	
Biscuits Fancy	30		Fruit Juices	500	pints
Milk) May be provided	126	Botts	Roast Fowl Tinned	200	tins
Meat) locally	120	"	(Containing 10 oz b/less chicken)		
Brandy	5	"	Coffee	6	
Whisky	5	"	Calves Foot Jellies	30	
Fruit Tinned	100		Vinegar	1	gall
Wintera Powder	21		Lentils	25	
			Ground Rice	50	

The above represents the scale on which reserves will be held. It is not to be regarded as a scale of issue. Hospitals will indent for such quantities of the above items as they require, and indents will be met fully by D.I.Ds whenever stocks are available.

(b) Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items

When not available by local purchase, on same scale for British Units

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Scale per 1000 men per month

	Malarial Areas	Non-Malarial Areas
Water Sterilising Powder	30 lbs	30 lbs
Anti-Mosquito Cream	375 lbs	As required when sandflies,

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Biscuits Fancy	30		Sugar	320	
Milk) May be provided	126	Bottles	Fruit Juices	500	pints
Meat locally	120	"	Roast Fowl Tinned	200	tins
Brandy	5	"	(Containing 10 oz b/less chicken)		
Whisky	5	"	Coffee	6	
Fruit Tinned	100		Calves Foot Jellies	30	
Watera lowder	21		Vinegar	1	gall
			Lentils	25	
			Ground Rice	50	

The above represents the scale on which reserves will be held. It is not to be regarded as a scale of issue. Hospitals will indent for such quantities of the above items as they require, and indents will be met fully by D.I.Ds whenever stocks are available.

(b) Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items

When not available by local purchase, on same scale for British Units

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Scale per 1000 men per month

	Malarial Areas	Non-Malarial Areas
Water Sterilizing Powder	30 lbs	30 lbs
Anti-Mosquito Cream	375 lbs	As required when sandflies,
Insect Repellent	25 galls	midges, etc. are a nuisance.
25% Individual 75% Bulk		
Taste Remover Tabs	2,500	2,500
Izal	2 galls	2 galls
Fly catchers	480 no.	480 no.
Prepared Rat Bait	1 lb	1 lb
A.L. 63	190 lbs	190 lbs
Blocks Fumigating	4 blocks	4 blocks
Anti-Mosquito Spray	100 galls	45 galls
Latrine Paper	5 pos per man per day	5 pos per man per day
Crezoli	35 galls	35 galls
Methylated Spirits	18 Galls	18 galls
Malariol	165 galls	-
Paris Green	112 lbs	-
Candles H.C.	250 lbs	250 lbs
Candles L.S.	30 lbs	30 lbs
Sodium Arsenite	For Hygiene Seat only	

2/(a) Fuel.....

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(c) Fuel

Paraffin. On same scale as for British Units.

(d) Mepacrine

As for British Tps.

2. M.F.L.

Following items only at 50% of scale for Br. Tps:-

Tooth brush	40	per	1,000	all	ranks	per	month.
Toothpaste	200	"	"	"	"	"	"
Shaving Soap	220	"	"	"	"	"	"
Toilet Soap	920	"	"	"	"	"	"
Razor Blades	1860	"	"	"	"	"	"
Boot polish	100	"	100	officers		per	month.

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District letter 2152/Q
dated 16 Feb 44

3. CRD

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(a) Clothing and Equipment - Initial Issues

Following items additional to scale set out in appx 'A' to your AG 400/1 (Italy) GDS - AGH dated 9 Jan.

Boots	1	pr.	per	man
Towels	1		"	"
Mess-tin	1		"	" } or 1 plate and soup bowl
Cup	1		"	" }
Knife	1		"	" }
Fork	1		"	" }
Spoon	1		"	" } Where not already in possession.
Comb	1		"	" }
Razor	1		"	" }

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Shaving Soap	220						
Toilet Soap	920	"	"	"	"	"	"
Razor Blades	1860	"	"	"	"	"	"
Boot polish	100	"	100 officers per month.				

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District letter 2152/Q
dated 16 Feb 44.

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(a) Clothing and Equipment - Initial Issues

Following items additional to scale set out in appx 'A' to your AG 400/1 (Italy) GDS - AGH dated 9 Jan.

Boots	1 pr.	per	man	
Towels	1	"	"	
Mess-tin	1	"	"	} or 1 plate and soup bowl
Cup	1	"	"	}
Knife	1	"	"	}
Fork	1	"	"	}
Spoon	1	"	"	} where not already in possession.
Comb	1	"	"	}
Razor	1	"	"	}
Shaving Brush	1	"	"	}
Housewife	1	"	"	}

Valise or kitbag 1 per man.

(b) Replacement of Clothing and Equipment

50% scale for British tps, except boots. These on same scale as British tps.

(c) Grindery 1 month

Estimate based on an average on boots requiring repair every 4 weeks, of this average 400 per month 100 can be expected to be U/S, of the remaining 300 - 200 will need soling only.

3/(1) Soles.....

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(i)	Soles half plain	Size	2	50 prs
	" " "		3	50 prs
	Tips heel Iron		2 7/8	66 "
	" " "		3	73 "
	" " "		3 1/8	10 "
	Fillets tip heel		2 7/8	66 "
	" " "		3	73 "
	" " "		3 1/8	10 "
	Tips boot toe		2 7/8	66 "
	" " "		3	73 "
	" " "		3 1/8	10 "
	Screws (Toe plate) ½			10 gross
	Rivets Iron		5/8	11 1/4 lb
	" "		3/4	5 1/2
	Nails tip heel		1 1/8	7 1/2
	Studs Protectors			11 1/4
	Lifts leather heel		2	66 prs
	" " "		3	66 prs
	Leather Belly			1 lb 14 ozs
	Tingles	½		1 1/2 ozs
	Hemp or Flax (Handsewing) 2 oz balls			1/2 ball
	Bristles Handsewing			1/120 ozs
	Wax Handsewing			1/2 oz

(ii) After being initially equipped, replacements for a period of one month will be :-

Knives trimming (Shoemakers)	.44
" hacking	.22
Screwdrivers Cabinet or G.S.	.11
Rasps shoemakers 10"	.66
Hammers double headed	.07
" single headed pegging	.07
Shafts hammer	.44
Emery cloth no. 1½ Sheets	3.3
" " no,3 "	3.3

(d) Maintenance of Clothing

Needles Sewing Hand, all sizes inclusive	5.55
Machine Cotton White	222.2 Yds
" " Drab	333.3 "
Linen Thread White	222.2 "

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Leather Belly	½	1 1/2 ozs
Tingles		1/2 ball
Hemp or Flax (Handsewing) 2 oz balls		1/120 ozs
Bristles Handsewing		1/2 oz
Wax Handsewing		

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" hacking	.22
Screwdrivers Cabinet or G.S.	.11
Rasps shoemakers 10"	.66
Hammers double headed	.07
" single headed paynim	.07
Shafts hammer	.44
Every cloth no. 1½ Sheets	3.3
" " no.3 "	3.3

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(d) Maintenance of Clothing

Needles Sewing Hand, all sizes inclusive		5.55
Machine Cotton White		222.2 Yds
" " Drab		333.3 "
Linen Thread White		222.2 "
" " Drab		333.3 "
Buttons Various (including B.D. & K.D. Greatcoat)	Large and small Bone & Composition	1. 1/3 Gross
Clips, Hooks and Eyes for B.D.		.14
Buckles for B.D.		

4/(e) PRESERVATION OF EQUIPMENT.....

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(e) Preservation Equipments — Monthly

Flannelette	27 Yds
Oil M.80	1.3 galls
Dubbin	.8
Grease Graphite	1.3 tins
Rags old	7.5 lbs
Cotton Waste Coloured	3.77 lbs
Mineral Jelly Red	3.77 lbs

(f) Personnel — Monthly

Dubbin	100 lbs
Soap	233.3 lbs
Soap Laundry	14.93 lbs

(g) Anti-Malarial Equipment

As for British Tps.

(h) Accommodation Stores

Ultimately to maximum of 50 % Standing Camp Scale in u/m stores. Quantities set out below required urgently.

Hammers Sledge	10	
Axes Felling	20	
" Hand	50	
" Pick	150	
Forms G.S.	1500	
Latrine Buckets	200	
Mauls	15	
Spades G.S.	75	
" Mk III	75	
Tables G.S.	750	
Tubs washing	250	
Blankets	2	per man summer - 4 in winter.
Brooms Birch	60	
" Bass	120	
Brush S.H.U.	240	

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(g) Anti-Malarial Equipment

As for British Tps.

(h) Accommodation Stores

Ultimately to maximum of 50 % Standing Camp Scale in u/n stores. Quantities set out below required urgently.

Hammers Sledge	10	
Axes Felling	20	
" Hand	50	
" Pick	150	
Forms G.S.	1500	
Latrine Buckets	200	
Mauls	15	
Spades G.S.	75	
" Mk III	75	
Tables G.S.	750	
Tubs washing	250	
Blankets	2	per man summer - 4 in winter.
Brooms Birch	60	
" Bass	120	
Brush S.H.U.	240	
" " P/W	60	
" Sweeping	60	
Lamps Hurricane	50	
Pails I.G. 3 gall	100	
Safes Meat	30	
Stoves Soyer	48	

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Appendix 'C' to No. 1 District
letter 2152/Q dated 16 Feb 44.

R.E.

For Cookhouses and Latrines as required and as supply permits.

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SUBJECT: Depots in SICILY and SARDINIA.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MEDIA)
LECQUILLE (LECCE)
AG/S.
4 Mar. 44.

H.Q. AAI (ADVCH)

Copy to: S.T. : ORD MEDIA.

Reference your signal, Q 24466 dated 21 Mar, herewith details as requested, of depots in SICILY and SARDINIA.

S A R D I N I A

ORDNANCE.

Main Depots.	Sub Depots.
SORGONO	INGLESIAS.
ISILI	ORISTANO
SASSARI	MACOMER
SIRACUSA	NUORO
	ALGHERO
	TEMPIO
	OLBIA
	OZIERI
	La MADDALENA.

RATIONS.

Main Depots.	Sub Depots.
MORES.	INGLESIAS.
CAGLIARI	ORISTANO
SASSARI	MACOMER
	NUORO
	OZIERI
	TEMPIO

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FORAGE.

Main Depots.	Sub Depots.
MONTI	
MORES	
CAGLIARI	
SASSARI	

FUEL.

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OLBIA
OZIERI
La MADDALENA.

RATIONS.

Main Depots.

MORES.
CAGLIARI
SASSARI

Sub Depots.

INGLESIAS.
ORISTANO
MACOMER
NUORO
OZIERI
TEMPIO

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FORAGE.

Main Depots.

MONTI
MORES
CAGLIARI
SASSARI

Sub Depots.

PETROL

Main Depots.
CAGLIARI
SASSARI

Sub Depots.
INGLESIAS.
ORISTANO
MACOMER
NUORO
OZIERI
TEMPIO

S I C I L Y

ORDNANCE

Main Depots.
SIRACUSA.

RATIONS.

Main Depots.
PALERMO.

Sub Depots.
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Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A. C.C.

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MESSAGE FORM

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	OUT

No. of Groups: GR. 23

Office Date Stamp: 197

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TO SIMIA HQ AAI (ADM ECH)

FROM FLAMBO

Originator's Number: Q24466

Date

In Reply to Number

Restricted 0 Ref your AQ 8 of 26 feb 0 Request you now forward details of depots in SICILY and SARDINIA

1Q18

21 Brands

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN in any means (Except / Weather)

Signature

This Message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands.

Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time of Origin: 211035A

T.H.I.: 211130A

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TO NMIA

FROM FATIMA Rear from GUINEA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
2558	30th	

SECRET O	Ref	your	SD 457	of	29th March 40.
Our	2483	(?) O (?)	addressed	re	action
FILPOT	info.	NMIA	asked	if	FILPOT
had	refused	re	NMIA	Q 644	of
25th Feb	O	Signed	MACFARLANE		

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except * ..... wireless.

Signed

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Signed

Originator's instructions (Degree of Priority)

Priority

Time of Origin

Nil

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T.H.J.

T.O.R.

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(G.V.197) Wt. 24079/1633 700M Pads 9/40 B & S Ltd 51-5(2)

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

Call	Srl. No.	Prior	Transmission Instructions
			Hold pending

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FROM (A) Originator: MMIA — Date-Time of Origin: 291615A — Office Date Stamp: 1457 Hpl

For Action

TO FATIMA. REAR FOR RUMSMITH

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

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2452 of 29 Not received Hpl
Yr. Ntr

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			Time cleared		

(ATA) Wt 9832/154 2,000,000 Pads. 4/45 E. & S. Ltd 51-4765-6

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ARMY, FORM C2128. (Pads of 100).

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TO FATIMA REAR INFO MMIA FATIMA FOR ALBRIGHT

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AAI	SD1973		

Your 2483 of 17 mar ⊙ Matter still under discussion ⊙
Replying shortly

(G.V.197) Wt. 24079/1655 700M Pads 9/42 E & S Ltd. 51-5410.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 251245A

T.H.I.

SIGNED

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1

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file Aa/8.

Reference : 16031/1/G-1

Subject : Army Sub Commission(War Estab)

To : Land Forces Sub Commission

1. Reference your G/8/18 dated 1 March 44.

2. The following information has been received from AFHQ. American personnel for Land Forces Sub Commission is to be included in the strength of 2675 Regt. British personnel of Land Forces Sub Commission are held on WE NA/251/1.

3. It has been decided that :-

(a) Officers of American personnel will not exceed 15 in number.

(b) British officers required in excess of WE NA/251/1 cannot be provided out of the establishment of ACC AMG.

4. The question of the increase in British personnel requested in your above quoted letter has been referred to HQ AAI. Further information on this matter will be forwarded you as soon as received.

5. Reference your cable Q713, second paragraph, it is understood that the officers requested by you have been provided but that the O.Rs are not at present available.

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Sgd R H Farren Col
for

M.S. LUGH, Brig
Executive Commissioner
for Chief Commissioner

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

CLASS: SECRET
PREC : ROUTINE
FROM : FREEDOM
TO : FATIMA

A0/8

M/C NO: 20/25
REF NO: F 22651
FILED : 250904
PRC'D : 251105

PAPEN GDS-AGM. F22651 ACTION AAI INFORMATION FIAMBO, FARGO AND FATIMA CITE FHGDS, FHGCT SIGNED CINC PARA 3 OF AFHQ LETTER TO AAI DATED 14 MARCH, SUBJECT: SCALE OF SUPPLY FOR ITALIAN ARMY, FILE AG 400-1 (ITALIAN) REPRESENTATIVE OF G-4 AND G-3, QUARTERMASTER AND Q(AE) THIS HEADQUARTERS EXPECT TO ARRIVE NAPLES ON 27 MARCH. SENIOR OFFICER OF GROUP WILL BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL FINKS. THESE OFFICERS WILL INVESTIGATE THE SEXE, TYPE AND STATUS OF THE AGENCY TO BE ESTABLISHED IN ITALY TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REQUIREMENTS, ISSUES AND RECORD KEEPING IN CONNECTION WITH SUPPLIES THAT ARE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO EFFECTIVE ITALIAN TROOPS UNDER THE POLICY ESTABLISHED BY CCS IN N338. NUMBERS OF TROOPS CONSIDERED EFFECTIVE AND EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN ARMY INCLUDING DILUTION WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED. REQUEST NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO FACILITATE THESE OFFICERS TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR MISSION.

NOTE BY ADJ (MAIN HQ)

Letter AG 400-1 (ITALIAN) GDS-AGM
Dated 14 Mar was sent to Army Sub Commission, Lecce

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

27 MAR 1944

ACC/14613/PS

27 March 1944

SUBJECT: Supply of Army Rations to Italian Public Safety Agencies.

TO : Chief Commissioner, (Thru' Vice-President Admin. Section).

Further to this office No.ACC/14613/PS of 16 March and to your approval in principle of the proposals contained therein, very strongly in the case of the Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza, the method of implementing this approval has been discussed with Col. Adams of the Economic Section and the only feasible plan is to have the Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza provided with allied Army rations in the same way as the R. Carabinieri and the Guardie di Finanza receive them, i.e. through the Italian Army.

It is requested, therefore, that authority be given or obtained, as a matter of urgency, for the Agenti di P.S. to be considred as an integral part of the Italian Army for the purposes of rations, clothing and equipment. It is submitted that, under existing conditions, the maintenance of law and order is of vital importance to Military Security and that, although not part of the Army to the same extent as the CC.RR and CC.FF, their duties are so closely connected with those of the CC.RR and CC.FF that they should be treated from a supply point of view, in an identical manner.

Copies of the following documents which have a bearing on the point at issue, are attached for reference:

1. AFHQ letter of 16 Jan. 44. recognising Agenti di P.S. as part of Italian Army for specific purpose.

2. AQ 815 from Brig.DUCHESNE, Army S.C. to Public Safety S.C. our ACC/14601/8/PS of 19 March referred to clothing and equipment for Public Safety Agencies

3. AQ 820 from Army S.C. supplementing AQ 815.

R. M. J. MARTIN
Lt. Col.,
For Chief, Public Safety
Sub-Commission
(Absent on Duty)

Copy to: Army S.C. Main
(Lequile)
Army S.C. Advanced
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
QM (C.E.M.E.C.).

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16 Jan. 44

SUBJECT: Requests for Equipment and Clothing

TO : CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL SECTION.
(Attn. Major Classcock).
c/o 5-4 I.B.S.
APO # 550 U.S. Army

1. Reference attached requests for equipment and clothing for Italian

(i) Carabinieri
(ii) Agents of Public Security
(iii) R. Guardia di Finanza

2. We have applied to A.C. of S G-3 this headquarters for a ruling who has replied as follows:-

For the purposes of these requests it will be considered that the three services mentioned above, form part of the Italian Army and requested equipment may be issued subject to AMZA's approval and availability.

W. E. DOWNER.
Major.
QM (C.E.M.E.C).

WED/hrw

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INCOMING AQ 815

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MEIA FROM DUCHERNE

FATIMA REAR for KIRK AND QUIN SMITH, RPTD FATIMA FOR LUSH

Ref. Your ACC/14601/S/PS of 17 March. First. Carabinieri accepted as an integral part of the Italian army entitled to share of Italian clothing resources existing which are mainly underclothing controlled by Ministry of War. In addition entitled rations and darkgreen battle dress and boots all of Allied origin controlled by MEIA through Ministry of War. These demands for boots and battle dresses should go through Ministry of War and can be met in reasonable quantities. Advise me what quantities are genuinely required separating mainland, Sicily and Sardinia. Second. Guardia Finanza at present accepted for rations as integral part of Italian army but this may be nonconstitutional. I have asked for policy decision from Chief Commissioner in my 0303 totoday copy to you. Third. Agents of Public Security have not previously been claimed to be integral part of Italian army and copy of AFHQ letter dated 16 January forwarded refers only to stated request for captured stocks. Their duties not understood but claim does not appear strong. Submit to Chief Commissioner for policy decision. Fourth. The strength of all those entitled to rations boots and clothing of Allied origin must be included in strength states such as that forwarded to Quin Smith under my G/11/28 of 16 March. These figures are shortly to be forwarded to Allied Chiefs of Staff on their demand for authorization of future totals allowable. Question is therefore of (6540) policy importance. Policy for supply organization Italian military is laid down in Freedom letter ACHOC-1 (ITALY GEN-ACM of 9 January addressed to Allied Control Commission.

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MMIA FROM DUCHESNE

FATIMA RPTD FATIMA REAR FOR QUIN SMITH AND KIRK FOR LUCE

AQ 820 ✓

221530A MAR

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Teletype

1. Further to my AQ 715 of 21 March copy to you. Hand book on Italian military forces TME 30-420 published in Washington August 1943 defines constitutional position of Carabinieri in page 8 as definitely part of the army. Guardia Finanza on page 14 are trained for combat and in wartime come under ministry of war. Public security police on page 15 come under ministry of interior only. As I read it we can claim in memorandum shortly to be forwarded to Combined Chiefs of Staff that both Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are in our part of Italian army but can not so claim for public security police. Above book should be available in PBS for your reference.

2. If in fact Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza are being employed on some duties suggest for your consideration that they be merged in order to have duplication and over heads.

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COPY

Minute to Economic Section.

I approve Colonel Kirk's proposal in principle very strongly in the case ofthe Pubblica Sicurezza.

Will you please give effect to it if possible let me know how things stand in due course.

(Initialled) N.M. L.C.

19/3/44.

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ARMY FORM C2123. (Pads of 100).

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	OUT 452/29	RESTRICTED.	GR. 116.	OFFICE DATE STAMP 188

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TO MINIA FOR DUCHESNE. 10/9. 30 hrs.

FROM FATIMA RIAK From PUBLIC SAFETY | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number

Ref NR 2551 O your Parabimini for 6000/SHEEP Not QUARIT DI the Italian Army O You are O as integral

O yours AQ 815 O books and FINANZIA THIRD O See FOURTH O acceptance of part of Italian

FIRST O bmHG dues SECONDO O be accepted my 14613/PS of 27 AGENTS DI Army would involve

Requirements of are CIW Consider it as integral ASSICURAZA addition of 8500

Copies of main award essential part of much copy Roosevelt

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except ..... wireless.

This message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands.

Originator's instructions Degree of priority return

Time of origin 29,600A

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ref	your	1373/8Q	dated	15	March
received	at	MMIA	27	repeat	27
(*)	stress	that	great	delay	is
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Subject:- Control of Branches of Unions Militare by AMG

Army Sub Commission, ACC
MAIN HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
24 Mar 44

HQ Allied Control Commission

May the necessary instructions be issued to this HQ concerning the att letter in order that the Ministry of War may be informed.

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Army Sub Comm, ACC

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original to A.C. of S. 29/8 "A" or "Q"

From Military Union - Confidential Ref. 345/M.G.

To M.M.I.A. File A.Q.1.8. Date 25 MAR. 44

Date ~~20 March 44~~ to

Subject ITALIAN

From reports received from our branches at PALERMO and MESSINA it results that these branches have been placed under the control of the Property Control office of A.M.G. in the respective towns.

The control offices are controlling the adm. & accountancy of our branches and have drawn against simple receipt, mentioning to int-erest to be paid, 1.500.000 lire from our branch at PALERMO and 900000 lire from the one at MESSINA.

Considering that the Military Union is not a Gut. Adm. but a private one which deals with the selling of stores required by officers & NCO's of the Italian Army it is clear that such control cannot be accepted and especially with drawals of money.

Should that action be justified until the 10.2.44, it is clear that since 0.01 hrs on the 11. Feb. 44 the control of these branches should have passed to the the Govt. Adm. i/c of the direction of the a/m. Adm.

Could you please intervene on the matter in order to obtain that the control by A.M.G. be ceased and the sums returned.

Hereunder addresses of ~~the Branches~~ the A.M.G. Control Offices concerned.

PALERMO: AMG SICILY REGION HQ A.P.O 394 - Maj. BUNDY. Property Controller.

MESSINA: A.M.G. Property Control office . Lt. B.A. BEESON.

A reply will be appreciated. Col. P. BASILE

N.B. Reply to be addressed: c/o WAR. MIN. Comm. Inspectorate .P.M.107

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FROM FLAMBO

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Translation

From : War Ministry
Cabinet.

Ref: 3241/12
17.3.44

To : Notes for Major Byatt

Subject: Customs Guards.

1.- The Royal Customs Guards are armed corps, whose duties, (though chiefly ~~(as the title also)~~ financial, also include the use of its ~~character and~~ components and units for National Defense.

2.- Its principal duties are :-
a) Normal Service (control of financial matters)
b) Police duties on frontiers and coastlines.

3. The Corps:
a) has the following territorial formation in liberated Italy:
- H.Q. R.G.F.; Salerno.
- 5 Legions as follows:
- Bari: for the provinces of PUGLIE + LUCANIA
- NAPLES: for the provinces of CAMPANIA.
- MESSINA: for the provinces of CALABRIA + Eastern Sicily
- PALERMO: for the remaining provinces of Sicily
- CAGLIARI: for SARDINIA.
- Circles
- Companies
- Holdings & Sections (same as regards duties & strength. is commanded by officers the latter by Sergts N.C.O.s)
- Naval Stations
- Boundary police parties

Furthermore there exist:
1 Cadet Bn. (Recruiting depot) at RUTIGLIANO
1 "R" Special Bn. (at the disposal of the Allies) at Naples.

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b) wears the same uniform as the Army, with
included.

c) has the same armament as the Army except
that they only have portable and automatic arms.

d) is subject to the same discipline as the Army.

e) has a similar formation to that of the Army. The
Ranks of Officers and N.C.O's (with slight
variations in the latter) are the same as those of
the Army.

4) The active part it takes in the defence of the State
can be explained as follows:-

a) Defence of boundary or frontier outposts as
apt. to the Army Unit in charge of such defence.

b) Coastal defence in cooperation with Units of the
Army and Navy.

c) In an emergency - purely auxiliary services in other
theatres (i.e. during the 1915-18 War in
Albania, East Africa, etc).

d) Assistance to public order service.

5) The Corps though directly dependant on the
Treasury and autonomous from the Army is
always commanded (Supreme Command) by a
High Ranked General of the Army.

6) Full data as regards strength, duties, etc. will be
furnished as soon as they are received from Federal
MORICCA, Commander of the Corps, from whom they
have been requested.

(Sgd) Col (Illegible)

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto - ufficio II

nº 3241 /II

P.M.107, 17 marzo 1944

OGGETTO : R.Guardia di Finanza.-

APPUNTO PER IL MAGGIORE BYATT

1°)- La R.Guardia di Finanza è un corpo armato che, pur svolgendo attività principale alle dipendenze del Ministero delle Finanze, concorre con i suoi elementi e reparti anche alla difesa del territorio nazionale.

2°)- Suoi compiti principali sono :

a) servizio d'istituto (controllo in materia finanziaria)
b) vigilanza dei confini terrestri e delle coste.

3°)- Il corpo:

a) ha nell'Italia Liberata il seguente ordinamento territoriale:

- comando R.Guardia di finanza: Salerno
- legioni 5 e precisamente:
  . Bari: per le provincie delle Puglie e Lucania
  . Napoli: per le provincie della Campania
  . Messina: per le provincie della Calabria e per quelle orientali della Sicilia
  . Palermo: per le rimanenti provincie della Sicilia.
  . Cagliari: per la Sardegna
- circoli
- compagnie
- tenenze o sezioni (uguali per compiti, differiscono in quanto le prime sono comandate da ufficiali le seconde da marescialli)
- brigate (corrispondenti alle stazioni cc.rr.)
- stazioni del naviglio

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- tenenze o sezioni (uguali per compiti, differiscono in quanto le prime sono comandate da ufficiali le seconde da marescialli)
- brigate (corrispondenti alle stazioni cc.rr.)
- stazioni del naviglio
- nuclei polizia tributaria

Esistono inoltre:

- 1 battaglione allievi (fonte di reclutamento)a Rutigliano
- 1 battaglione speciale "R" (a disposizione Alleati) a Napoli.

b) indossa la divisa uguale a quella dell'esercito (stellette comprese)

c) ha armamento uguale a quello dell'esercito limitatamente però alle armi portatili ed automatiche

d) nei riguardi della disciplina è vincolato allo stesso regolamento di disciplina dell'esercito

e) ha inquadramento analogo a quello dell'esercito.

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I gradi degli ufficiali e dei sottufficiali (con lievi varianti per questi ultimi) sono uguali a quelli degli ufficiali e sottufficiali dell'esercito.

4°)- Il suo concorso nella difesa dello Stato si esplica:

a) nella difesa delle più avanzate zone di confine quale rinforzo alle unità dell'esercito a tale compito destinate;

b) alla difesa costiera in concorso con gli elementi dell'esercito e della marina;

c) concorso - eventuale - di vere e proprie formazioni di guerra (es.grande guerra 15-18 - Albania - Africa Orientale ecc.)

d) concorso nel servizio d'ordine pubblico.

5°)- Il corpo, pur avendo dipendenza completa dal Ministero delle Finanze ed autonomia nei confronti degli organi dell'esercito, è sempre comandato (comando generale) da un generale di grado elevato dell'esercito stesso.

6°)- Gli elementi di precisazione circa forza, assegni ecc. saranno trasmessi non appena perverranno dal Generale MORICCA, comandante del corpo, al quale sono stati richiesti.-

Col. Fuhrmann

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SUPPLY SUPERVISION AND LIAISON ORGANIZATION ITALY.

1. (a) At present Italian Supply (Foodstuff) organization is as follows:-

Main Supply Depot is located at TARANTO and fed from Ports at TARANTO & BRINDISI.
Bulk Supply Depots are located at NAPLES, BARI, CATANZARO, and LECCE, of which NAPLES & BARI are fed from the same Ports.
Distribution Supply Depots are grouped, averaging from six to nine, and form a Sector round each of the four Bulk Supply Depots (See Appx "A").
Note: Clothing Depots conform more or less to the same arrangements.

(b) The Italian P.O.L. Supply is carried out through a Civil Organization - "C.I.P" - which has twelve Depots spread over ITALY. These are fed through Allied Installations.

(c) The formation of ST and QM Units is so far is as follows:-

1000 Italian G.T. Coy at TARANTO.
1001 " " " " PALO DEL COLLE (near BARI).
1002 " " " " RESTINCO (near BRINDISI).
POLIGNANO School " POLIGNANO (South of BARI).
21 & 22 QM Truck Coys " NAPLES.

2. The Allied Supervisory and Liaison Organication will be as follows:-

(a) At HQ, Army Sub Comm ACC(MMIA) LEQUILE, will be located Central Supervisory Office where will be carried out the Duties of:-

Major CANN, DADST, MMIA. for Supplies. (b)
- Forecasting future demands through "Q".
- Bidding for Shipping tonnage through "Q".
- Estimating of Feeding Strengths of Italian Armed Forces.
- Watching accumulation of Stocks, and Balancing.
- Demanding Rail or Sea Movement between Depots.
- Advising Italian Ministry of War.
- Organising spot physical stocktaking of commodities.
- Supervision of Inspections.
- Obtaining the necessary Documents in support of Transactions.
- Obtaining Receipts from Italian Ministry of War.

Capt CRAIG, Staff Capt for P.O.L. & Tpt Units. (c)
- Consolidating and checking Italian Demands for P.O.L.
- Submitting Demands for P.O.L. on Pet.Sec. FLAMCO.
- Obtaining necessary supporting documents.
- Scrutinising progress and formation of ST & QM Tpt Units.
- Liaison and Inspection of Italian Tpt Units formed.
- Advising Italian S.M.R.E., and Ministry of War.

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Tpt Units.	(Advising Italian S.M.R.E., and Ministry of War.
(d)	(Supervision of Reception of Supplies at Port, or Ports, in Sector.
Capt.BARRATI(A)	(Supervisory Inspections of all Depots in Sector.
S/Capt Super-	(Checking of Italian Unit Messing and Interior Economy in Sector.
vising & L.O.,	(Obtaining all documents as called for by HQ,ST,MMIA.
NAPLES SECTOR.	(Checking of Receipt and expenditure of P.O.L. by Italians in Sector.
	(Physical stocktaking when required to do so.
Major GRAY(A)	(Represent ADST in Sector.
DADST Super-	(Assist Italian Commissariatto.
vising & L.O.,	(Obtaining early Information regarding all Italian stock movements.
BARI SECTOR.	(Co-ordinating Italian demands for movements of stocks.
	(Keeping HQ,ST,MMIA., and Italian Com informed of all shipping
Maj.PAPINEAU,	(arrivals carrying Italian stocks.
DADST Super-	(Implementing all ST Policy instructions in Sector.
vising & L.O.,	(Keeping HQ,MMIA., informed of all ST matters in Sector.
CASTANZARO SECTOR.	
Capt.FREELAND,	
S/Capt Super-	
vising & L.O.,	
LECCE SECTOR.	

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Detailed orders are as per Appx "B".

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2. (continued)

(c) Each Port, BARI, BRINDISI, NAPLES, TARANTO and possibly later on CROTONE, will have an Italian Port Detachment who will be responsible for accepting and handling all Italian Stocks at shipside, checking them and forwarding them to Italian Depots - See Appendix "C". These Italian Port Detachments will be assisted by an Allied Port Detachment Liaison Officer. The detailed orders for Allied Port Det Liaison Officer is as per Appendix "D". Port Det Liaison Staff will normally consist of:

one Capt or Sub.
One Senior NCO or WO.
one Junior NCO.
one Clerk.

NAPLES Port	will be included in	NAPLES SECTOR.
BARI Port	" " " "	BARI SECTOR
TARANTO Port)	" " "	LECCE SECTOR.
BRINDISI Port)		
CROTONE Port	" " "	CATANZARO SECTOR.

3. ST Staff Officer Supervising and Liaison allotted to each Sector:-

(a) Will be the ADST representative in that Sector and will ensure that ST orders and policy are carried out punctually and efficiently.
(b) Will be responsible to the Senior Liaison Officer in the Sector.
(c) Will be available to carry out other duties as defined by the Senior Liaison Officer provided that ST duties have priority.
(d) Will visit HQ, AMLA, LEQUILE on normal conditions once a week, i.e. he will not be away from LEQUILE for periods of six days at one stretch. He will submit a report to ADST for each period of inspection duty on arrival at AMLA, LEQUILE.
(e) During the period of his absence his Sector HQ the Port Detachment Liaison Officer will act on his behalf.

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One Senior NCO or WO.
one Junior NCO.
one Clerk.

NAPLES Port will be included in NAPLES SECTOR.
BARI Port " " " " BARI SECTOR
TARANTO Port) " " " LECCE SECTOR.
BRINDISI Port)
CROTONE Port " " " CATANZARO SECTOR.

3. ST Staff Officer Supervising and Liaison allotted to each Sector:-

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(Sd) C.P. ARMP,
Col,
for Brig,
Army Sub Comm. ACC.

Main HQ (MMLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).
11th March 44.

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APPENDIX "A"

LOCATION OF ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOTS.

M A I N L A N D

Bulk Depots.	Distribution Depots.	Petrol Depots.
NAPLES BULK DEPOT	AVELLINO AVERSA BENEVENTO CASERTA NOLA SALERNO	
BARI BULK DEPOT	BARLETTA BERNALDA CANOSA DI PUGLIA GIOIA DEL COLLE LOCOROTONDO MOLFETTA MONOPOLI POTENZA SPINAZZOLA TRANI	ANDRIA BARLETTA LOCOROTONDO MARTINA FRANCA MONOPOLI PUTIGNANO
TARANTO MAIN DEPOT.		
LECCE BULK DEPOT	BRINDISI GALATINA MAGLIE OTRANTO S.PANCRAZIO SALENTINO. TRICASE ZOLLINO	GALLIPOLI BRINDISI TARANTO SALICE SALENTINO TRIGGIANO NOICATTARO
CATANZARO BULK DEPOT	CASTROVILLARI COSENZA CROTONE MILCASTRO PETILIA POLICASTRO REGGIO CALABRIA	

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		CANOSA DI PUGLIA	LOCOROTONDO
		GIOIA DEL COLLE	MARTINA FRANCA
	BARI	LOCOROTONDO	MONOPOLI
	BULK	MOLFETTA	PUTIGNANO
	DEPOT	MONOPOLI	
		POTENZA	
		SPINAZZOLA	
TARANTO		TRANI	
MAIN			
DEPOT.		BRINDISI	GALLIPOLI
		GALATINA	BRINDISI
	LECCE	MAGLIE	TARANTO
	BULK	OTRANTO	S.MICE SALENTINO
	DEPOT	S.PANCRAZIO SALENTINO.	TRIGGIANO
			NOICATTARO
		TRICASE	
		ZOLLINO	
		CASTROVILLARI	
		COSENZA	
		CROTONE	
	CATANZARO	NICASTRO	
	BULK	PETILIA POLICASTRO	
	DEPOT	REGGIO CALABRIA	
		SPEZZANO ALBANESE	
		VIBO VALENTIA	

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S1/24. APPENDIX "B".

ORDERS FOR D.A.D.S.T. SUPERVISORY L.Os IN SECTORS.

1. The DADST Supervisory L.Os in Sectors will be responsible for the Inspection and guidance of Italian Army, Navy and Air Force supply organisation and all "ST" associated Allied advisory personnel in the following phases:-

(a) Port Reception of Supplies.

(b) Bulk Depots, Distribution Supply Depots and Petrol Depots.

(c) Italian Unit Messing and interior economy, Supply and Distribution.

2. In regard to Port Reception the DADST Supervisory L.Os will ensure that a satisfactory organisation operates to carry out the following functions:-

(a) That the Allied Port Detachment L.O. obtains advance information of the arrival of Ships including details as per Ships Manifest, that he informs the local Head of Italian Commissariatto and communicates same to "ST" HQ, MMLA.

(b) Identification and physical reception of supplies.

(c) Safe transit and storage of supplies into Italian Bulk Depots.

(d) Salvage and repair of broken cases carried out as and when necessary.

(e) Creation of an agreed out-turn report of supplies received by Italian Port Detachment from each ship. He will ensure that such statement is made out in triplicate and signed by the Italian Officer in charge and countersigned by the Allied Officer. He will forward original to Italian War Ministry, copy to MMLA. HQ.

(f) That the duties of the Italian Port Detachment are carried out in accordance with ST/1/2 dated 17th Feb 194- - copy attached.

(g) He will ensure that handling of supplies from Port to Italian depot is carried out economically both in Labour an in transport.

3. In regard to Bulk Depots and supply installations, the DADST Supervisory L.O. is responsible for inspecting and guiding the Italian Army on all aspects of Depot procedure, and specifically:- 6326

(a) Premises.

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(b) Identification and physical reception of supplies.

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(a) Premises.
(b) Weighing Facilities
(c) Prompt off-loading and on-loading.
(d) Labour
(e) Handling and Stacking.
(f) Salvage and Repairs.
(g) Local resources Intake.
(h) Accounting of Supplies.
(i) Drill for issues.
(j) Consolidated accounts.
(k) Stocktaking and Stock Reports.
(l) Observations on Warranty Expiry Dates.

4. In the case of Distribution Supply Depots particularly, the DADST Supervisory L.O. is responsible for ensuring that Issues procedure is watertight, and that Supplies are in fact being issued to Italian units, no more and no less, than their actual strength warrants, on the basis of the appropriate scale.

5. In regard to the Italian Units' messing, the DADST Supervisory L.O. is responsible for ensuring that the best possible use is being made of supplies provided by the Allies as to the manner of preparation, avoidance of waste, etc. He will also see that the Italian Soldier does in fact receive his full ration as far as is possible.

6. The DADST Supervisory L.O. is responsible to the Senior Army Sub Com L.O. of the Area for all matters, and is the A.D.S.T., Army Sub Comm's representative in the Sector.

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7. The established principles governing the relations between MMIA and the Italian Army will at all times be observed by DADST Supervisory L.Os.

8. The DADST Supervisory L.O. will during every month visit in his Sector:-

(a) All Italian Bulk Depots once a week.

(b) All Italian Distribution Supply Depots once a week.

(c) All Italian Petrol Depots three times a month.

(d) Not less than six Italian Units, choosing different ones each month, with a view to checking Messing and interior economy Supply & Distribution.

An Inspection Report after each Depot or Unit visited will be submitted to A.D.S.T., Army Sub Comm, as soon as after inspection is made.

9. The DADST Supervisory L.O. will be called upon to take physical stock of certain commodities in Depots as at a certain time, whereupon he will be required to check stocks against ledger charge and reconciliate it with issue and receipt vouchers.

(sd) H. E. FINCH.
Lt.Col,
ADST,
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE. (LECCE).
11 Mar 44.
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APPENDIX "C"

Enclosure to Army Sub Comm ACC letter ST/29 dated 11th Mar 44.

Army Sub Comm ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).

ST/1/2.

17 Feb 44.

War Ministry.

Supplies are now arriving in Allied Ships for the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces on the mainland of Italy.

The procedure for the accounting for those supplies (both rations and clothing , and other equipment) will be as follows:-

1. Each Port, BARI, BRINDISI, NAPLES, TARANTO, will have an Italian Port Detachment consisting of 2 Italian Officers, 3 Warrant Officers and 12 Other Ranks.

2. Their duties will be to liaise with Allied Movements Shipping so as to obtain advance information of the arrival of ships loaded with Italian supplies, and obtain from Allied Movements the cargo manifests of such ships.

3. They will be responsible for seeing that all supplies marked 'ITI' are handed over to the Italian Port Detachment.

4. All such such supplies will be checked off ship and into the transport provided for their movement to Italian Depots. They will ensure all such transport is guarded and escorted by Italian personnel.

5. A record will be kept of all supplies as they are off-loaded from the ship.

6. All checkers reports will be consolidated daily on a statement by the Italian Officer in charge, and all reports will be attached to this consolidated statement. 6524

7. At the completion of off-loading of each ship a consolidated statement of all supplies off-loaded will be forwarded to the Italian War Ministry, copy to MMIA.

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1. Each Port, BARI, BRINDISI, NAPLES, TARANTO, will have an Italian Port Detachment consisting of 2 Italian Officers, 3 Warrent Officers and 12 Other Ranks.

2. Their duties will be to liaise with Allied Movements Shipping so as to obtain advance information of the arrival of ships loaded with Italian supplies, and obtain from Allied Movements the cargo manifests of such ships.

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8. To assist the Italian Port Detachment in the duties of above an Allied Detachment will be available consisting of 1 Officer, 2 NCO's, 1 Clerk. They will settle any disputes or queries that may arise, and certify with the Italian Port Detachment the actual amounts off-loaded from each ship.

9. The consolidated statement at completion of off-loading will be signed by the Italian Officer in charge, and counter-signed by the Allied Officer.

10. MMIA will at the completion of the off-loading of each shipment forward to Italian War Ministry Army Form C.1033 (Issue and Receipt Voucher) in triplicate for signature of receipt. Original and duplicate copy will be returned to MMIA, third copy will be retained by Italian War Ministry.

11. Will you please form the Italian Port Detachments as outlined above and issue them the necessary instructions.

(sd) H. B. FINCH. Lt.Col.
for Brig.
Army Sub Comm. ACC.

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APPENDIX "D"

ORDERS FOR MMLA PORT DETACHMENT LIAISON OFFICER.

The duties of the MMLA Port Detachment Liaison Officer will be:-

1. To liaise with the Italian Port Detachment, and to assist them in their duties as set out in ST/1/2 dated 17 Feb 44 - copy attached.

2. He will obtain as far as possible advanced information of the arrival of ships loaded with Italian Supplies - both foodstuffs and clothing - and obtain from Allied Movements the Cargo Manifest of such ships. Such information will be communicated immediately to the head of the Italian Commissariatto and also to A.D.S.T., Army Sub Comm. MMLA.

3. He will be responsible for seeing that all supplies marked 'ITI' are handed over to Italian Port Detachment.

4. He will ensure that Italian Port Detachment makes all necessary arrangements previous to the ship's docking and assist them to develop their organization for the efficient reception and forwarding of supplies from Port to Bulk Depots.

5. He will settle any disputes or queries that may arise between Italian Port Detachment and Allied Movements or Port Operating Authorities.

6. He will be responsible (at the completion of the off-loading of each ship) for the forwarding to Italian War Ministry and A.D.S.T., Army Sub Comm MMLA the consolidated statement of supplies actually off-loaded, and agreed to by both Italians and Allies.

This statement should show for each commodity:-

(a) No of packages forwarded by Port Detachment.
(b) Nett weight per package.
(c) Total poundage.
(d) Dates of working consignment in question.

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The statement will be certified by a responsible Italian Officer, and by MMLA Port Detachment Liaison Officer.

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Any significant discrepancies between manifest quantities and quantities forwarded by Port Detachment should be commented on by MFA Port Detachment Liaison Officer.

(sd) H. E. FINCH.
Lt.Col,
ADST,
Army Sub Comm. ACC.

Main HQ (MFA)
LECUILE (LECCE).
11th Mar 44.
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TO FATIMA for OFFENHAUER

FROM MEDIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AQ 828	23	

Brig DUCHESNE and Col PIDSLEY expect to arrive NAPLES by road evening 24 March (*) please arrange accommodation SERENA Hotel (*) Former intends to fly to SARDINIA Saturday (*) Latter wishes to contact Col CRAWSHAW ACC and A/Q FLAMBO Saturday or Sunday with draft orders for handling and accounting stores to Italian Army (*) Please notify them and also Col GRAFFTEY SMITH ACC

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Signature A. Clark Kerr Navi

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To: [illegible] Gen

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1 A most important signal. This up with the request for list of MMH offrs by MGS AFHQ?

2 FHN " is from C.C.S to Cin C

NAF " Cin C to C.C.S

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TOTAL ALL RANKS

Total Under Allied Command [illegible] 65,717

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Army Detachment 180
(LECCE)
VMG

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AC 400-1 (Italian) GDS-AGM

14 March 1944

Subject: Scale of Supply for Italian Army.

To: Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy.

1. The Combined Chiefs of Staff in FAN 338 dated 26 February 1944 established the overall policies regarding the type, class and quantities of supplies to be furnished Italian troops other than Prisoners of War. Issue of supplies will be limited to Italian troops who are in fact effective and will consist of subsistence, clothing, medical supplies and fuel. Combat equipment is to be provided only from Italian sources. In NAF 642 dated 6 March 1944 authority has been requested to continue the program for re-equipping one Italian combat Division along the lines outlined in later, this headquarters, dated 10 February 1944 to CinC AAF, subject: "Disposal of Italian Army", File AG 091.711-1 (Italian) GCT-AGA, Revised. No further action will be taken to request authority for issue of any combat equipment from Allied sources to the two additional Italian Divisions until the success of the first one has been ascertained. No reply to NAF 642 has been received.

2. Within the limitations outlined in paragraph 1 above, the Supreme Commander Mediterranean, is required to recommend for approval by Combined Chiefs of Staff the number of Italian troops to be employed and their scale of supply. In AFHQ Message Number 68288, dated 11 March 1944, you were requested to furnish an order of battle and proposed method of employment of Italian units. If the unessential elements are eliminated from the list of Italian troops to be approved, this headquarters would be justified in recommending a scale of supply for the remaining troops that will enable them to be employed effectively.

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3. The Combined Chiefs of Staff in FAN 338, has directed that an agency be established in Italy, under the control of this headquarters, to be charged with authority and responsibility for handling the problem of requirements, issues and record keeping, in connection with certain supplies to be furnished Italian troops from Allied sources. FAN 338 also requires that the duly authorized representatives of the country of ownership shall occur in the establishment of requirements and disposition of supplies and equipment. You will receive a separate directive regarding the establishment of an agency to supervise the supply of Italian Forces.

4. Advice has been received that the following scale of clothing and individual equipment has been agreed upon between United States and United Kingdom:

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16 MAR 1944
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(Cont'd AFHQ Ltr to CinC, AAI, 14 Mar 44 Subj: Scale of Supply for Italian Army, File AG 400-1 (Italian) CDS-AGK)

Blouse, battle dress	1
Trousers, battle dress	1
Cotton shirts	2
Belt, Web, waist	1
Drawers	2
Undershirt	2 or
Jersey Pullover	1
Towel	1
Cap Field Service	1
Overcoat or mackinaw	1
Boots	1
Socks	3
Anklets if required	1
Sewing kit (initial issue only)	1
Blankets, wool	2 or
Cotton comforters	1
Pack carrier	1
Canteen	1
Mess Kit (fork, spoon and cup)	1

These items will be furnished Italian troops only when same are not available from Italian resources.

5. Your recommendations are desired as to the scale of supply of the 4 items listed in paragraph 1 which are approved for issue to effective Italian troops. It is considered that POL is included in the term "fuel". Items which are available from local Italian sources will not be recommended for supply by the Allied Forces.

6. The required information should be furnished by fast Air Mail with the least possible delay.

By command of General WILSON:

H. V. ROBERTS
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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16 MAR 1944
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Min. of War - Cabinet - To 1.01 to 22nd TRANSLATION ( )
To : ROME (for info.)

Ref. 1160/C.
19 MAR. 44

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Ref. Request for the supply of electricity at MAGLIE & LEQUILE

Absence of power between 17 & 22 hrs results with serious repercussions on the works of the "Commission for the Interrogatory of ill officers from POW Camps" at MAGLIE and on the Red Cross Hosp. at LEQUILE.

Allied Commission has to stop working at dusk and exactly at the moment when the day work is being controlled, signed and the correspondence despatched. The hospital commands operate during the hours were power is shut.

We would kindly ask you to contact Electricity Authorities and obtain that electricity be supplied to both Villages of MAGLIE & LEQUILE from 18.00 hrs. supply of electricity to LEQUILE will be also for the benefit of the Allied Sub Commission ACC (MDLW).

Urgt. AQ. This will be dealt with any success Reply to A/Q 21/3

DA/Q
Letter written

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Missioni Alleate

N. di prot. 1150/c

P.M. 107 li 19 3 44 194

OGGETTO: Sospensione energia elettrica.-

~~sospendimento di elettricità~~ Requesting suspension of electricity at Maglie + Lequile during evening hrs.

ALL'UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO ITALIANO PRESSO IL N° 2 DISTRICT BARI

e per conoscenza:

ALLA ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C. - Main HQ (MMIA) - L E Q U I L E

La sospensione della fornitura di energia elettrica dalle ore 17 alle 22 ha delle ripercussioni molto sensibili sui lavori della Commissione per l'interrogatorio degli Ufficiali del R.E. reduci dalla prigionia di guerra in Maglie e sull'ospedale della Croce Rossa Italiana dislocato a Lequile.

La detta Commissione deve sospendere quasi completamente la sua attività all'imbrunire ossia quando deve concludere il lavoro della giornata con la revisione, controllo e firma dei verbali e la spedizione della corrispondenza. L'ospedale si trova nella impossibilità di operare durante le ore in cui manca la corrente.

Si prega codesto Ufficio di voler rappresentare al 2° District la opportunità di distribuire la corrente nei due centri di Maglie e Lequile dalle ore 18 in poi.

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La distribuzione della corrente in Lequile sarà indubbiamente utile anche alla Sub Commission della Allied Control Commission che funziona in quell'abitato.-

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From MEIA

To FALCON for SIMMONS
rptd FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH

O 302 (°) From DUCHESNE (°) FIRST (°) Propose fly from NAPLES with QUINSMITH on Saturday twenty fifth and return to Mainland about twenty eighth (°) Inform DUNLOP (°) Shall raise general discussion on supply organisation and accounting ref FREEDOM letter AG 400—1 (ITALY) GDS—AGM of 9 Jan and FREEDOM signal 45220 of 30 Jan as preliminary to later visit by Col FIDELEY in more detail (°) Discuss FILPOT ideas for future garrison (°) If practicable visit CORSICA quickly by air (°) See your staff and set up generally and then return (°) Acknowledge (°) SECOND for QUINSMITH (°) Book air passage for us both after informing Chief Commissioner of plan

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Subject:- Returns to HQ A.C.C.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
22 Mar 44

Camp Commandant

You will ensure that no returns of any kind are sent to HQ Allied Control Commission without the agreement of the senior A/Q Staff Officer present.

Lt Col
AA & QMG

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MESSAGE FORM

From : M M I A

Date Time
22 1500A

To : FATIMA rptd FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH and KIRK

AQ 820 (°) for LUSH from DUCHESNE (°) FIRST (°) further to my AQ815 of 21 March copy to you (°) Handbook on Italian Military Forces TME 30 = 420 published in WASHINGTON August 1943 defines constitutional position of CARABINIERI on page eight as definitely part of the Army (°) GUARDIA FINANZA on page fourteen are trained for combat and in wartime come under Ministry of War (°) PUBLIC SECURITY Police on page fifteen come under Ministry of Interior only (°) As I read it we can claim in memorandum shortly to be forwarded to Combined Chiefs of Staff that both CARABINIERI and GUARDIA FINANZA are in war part of Italian Army but can NOT (NOT) so claim for PUBLIC SECURITY Police (°) Above book should be available in PBS for your reference (°) SECOND (°) If in fact CARABINIERI and GUARDIA FINANZA are being employed on same duties suggest for your consideration that they be merged in order to save duplication and overheads

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TO FATIMA REAR for LEGG

FROM MMIA | Originator's Number 10822 | Date | In Reply to Number

Reference dated for for agenda	ACC/43/4/Food 21 Kwa position	0 Mar and of	see to Quinnville food	my Fatima form for	AQ 815 Rear three PS

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Food Sub-Commission
A.P.O. 394

AQ/2.

13 April 1944

ACC/43-4/FOOD

SUBJECT: Food Supplies to P.S. Agents and Firemen

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TO : Army Sub-Commission

1. With further reference to this office letter ACC/43-4/FOOD dated 10 March 1944, the Italian Commissarate dell'Alimentazione has now asked for a reply to their letter of 27 February 1944, forwarded to you with our letter of 10 March.

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2. May a ruling now be given on this matter please.

See Civilian Policy Cutts.
AQ/8 folio 173

W. J. LEGG.
W. J. LEGG
Colonel
Chief, Food Sub-Commission

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Copy to: C.G. Dell'Alimentazione
your 698 dated 1 April 44 refers.

MESSAGE FORM

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Date Time
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From: M M I A

To : FATIMA REAR rptd FATIMA for LUSH

AQ815 (*) For KIRK and QUINSMITH from DUCHESNE (*) Ref your ACC/14601/8/PS of 17 March (*) FIRST (*) CARABINIERI are accepted as an integral part of the Italian Army entitled to share of Italian clothing resources existing which are mainly underclothing controlled by Ministry of War (*) In addition entitled rations and dark green battle dress and boots all of Allied origin controlled by MMIA through Ministry of War (*) Their demands for boots and battle dress should go through Ministry of War and can be met in reasonable quantities (*) Advise me what quantities are genuinely required separating MAINLAND SICILY and SARDINIA (*) SECOND (*) GUARDIA FINANZA at present accepted for rations as integral part of Italian Army but this may be unconstitutional (*) I have asked for policy decision from Chief Commissioner in my 0303 of to-day copy to you (*) THIRD (*) AGENTS of PUBLIC SECURITY have not previously been claimed to be integral part of Italian Army and copy of AFHQ letter dated 16 Jan forwarded refers only to stated request for captured stocks (*) Their duties NOT (NOT) understood but claim does NOT (NOT) appear strong (*) Submit to Chief Commissioner for policy decision (*) FOURTH (*) The strength of all those entitled to rations boots and clothing of Allied origin must be included in strength states such as that forwarded to QUINSMITH under my G/11/28 of 16 March (*) These figures are shortly to be forwarded to Allied Chiefs of Staff on their demand for authorisation of future totals allowable (*) Question is therefore of urgent policy importance (*) Policy for Supply Organisation Italian Military is laid down in FREEDOM letter AG 400-1

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TO MMIA info FLAMBO FATIMA

FROM SIMMONS at FALCON

151 152 and 153 refer.

Originator's Number: 292-20 WM967 | Date: 18 | In Reply to Number

Cite WM926 cable advised for despatched FLAMBO	AGS 1/66 O 1st Plan to QUINSMITH by	O Secret O MMIA FREEDOM courier	Report O Our info O to	of Ref WM562 FLAMBO boy MMIA	message MVGA was FATIMA being aired

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Subject:- Employment of Italian Army Units and Personnel with Allied Forces

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
19 Mar 44

HQ. A.A.I.

Ref your SMC 9615 dated 18 Mar and MMIA Signal AQ792 dated 19 Mar.

A copy of MMIA Signal Q644 of 25 Feb is forwarded herewith as requested.

B.G. Clarke-Hunt 6.003
for Brig
Army Sub Comm, ACC

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TO MMLA

FROM Staff Message Control A.A.I.

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FROM. MJCS 171745A

TO LRRI

~~GR51~~ Gp 5 a

REF NR TWO FOUR EIGHT THREE CLASSIFIED Aa/8.

RESTRICTED HAVE YOU REPLIED TO MNIA CABLE 0 SIX FOUR

FOUR OF TWO FIVE FEB QUERY → Q644 of 25 Feb 4

TO ACTION FILPOT INFO MNIA FATIMA FOR ALBRIGHT

FROM FATIMA REAR FROM QUINSMITH SIGNED MACFARLANE IF

SO PLEASE QUOTE REFERENCE AS NO

COPY YET RECEIVED THIS OFFICE 6307

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MESSAGE FORM

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To : FLAMBO rptd ORD MAIA ST MAIA.

From: MAIA AQ 795 19 Aq/c

Following will be of greatest assistance in our checking of stores issued to ITALIAN depots from ALLIED depots in ITALY (*) FIRST (*) When any item is ready to transfer to ITI depot the Allied service or depot signals details to MAIA (*) Latter will arrange contact between MAIA LO and Allied service or depot to ensure correct accounting and smooth transfer to correct Italian depot (*) SECOND (*) Complete list to date of clothing and boots handed to Italians giving item quantity date and place of hand over (*) THIRD (*) Above essential if MAIA is to carry out intent of para one Fox One of AFHQ/AG/400/1 (ITALY)/GDS/AGM of 9 Jan (*) Can you please arrange for all Allied sources to implement para first and second

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TO AAE rptd FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH

FROM M M I A — Originator's Number: AQ792 — 19 — In Reply to Number

Ref your follows by info (*)	SMC 9615 dated 18 Mar (*) AIS (*) Suggest you	Original also save delay	Copy of MMIA addressed to by obtaining	Signal Q644 FLAMBO and copy also	dated 25 Feb FATIMA for from FLAMBO

14-3 Nov OP/43

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TO LRRI

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FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE FROM FREEDOM SIX

FIVE FIVE FIVE EIGHT SENT ALSO TO FLAMBO FOR INFORMATION PD PAREN TO

MNIA FROM FATIMA SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN MESSAGE BEGINS

REFERENCE CABLE AG SEVEN FOUR ONE DATED ONE ONE MARCH CNA PARA

THREE PD INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLONEL PIDSLEY INDICATE

THAT YOU ARE EXPECTING TO BE PUBLISHED BY THIS

HEADQUARTERS THE DRAFT DIRECTIVE GIVEN TO COLONEL NOAKES

WHICH GAVE OUTLINE INSTRUCTIONS [redacted] CONCERNING RESPONSIBILITY

FOR SUPPLYING ITALIAN ARMY PD SEE ALSO CABLES QUEEN

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EIGHT ZERO NINE DATED TWO EIGHT FEBRUARY AND OUR FIVE SIX FIVE

ONE SIX DATED TWO FIVE FEBRUARY WHICH INDICATED THAT YOUR

HEADQUARTERS WILL PUBLISH DIRECTIVE PD NECESSARY ACTION DESIRED

AND NOTIFICATION BY CABLE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT PD

INFORMATION ALSO REQUESTED AS TO WHAT

ACTION HAS BEEN PERFORMED TOWARDS ISSUE OF INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING

DISTRIBUTION OF IMPORTED CLOTHING PD DRAFT SUGGESTED FOR

PUBLICATION WAS CONTAINED IN OUR LETTER AG FOUR ZERO ZERO DASH

ONE PAREN ITALY [redacted] PAREN GDS DASH AGN OF [redacted] SIX FEBRUARY PD

PARA RESPONSIBILITY OF ITALIAN NAVY [redacted] CNA

WITH EXCEPTION [redacted] OF SUBSISTENCE CNA RESTS WITH ROYL NAVY

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TO FATIMA info MMIA

FROM FREEDOM Signed C-in-C ref FHMCB Originator's 64771

SECRET Ø PIDSLEY embarked 14th/15th
for (ex) 17th or 18th March has obtained info
MMIA cable AQ 7411 of

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1. SUPPLY ORGANISATION for Italian Army, Navy and Air Force in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA. AFHQ letter AG400-1 (ITALY) GDS-AGM of 9 Jan states in para 1(f).

"The Allied Armies will provide a minimum number of officers and enlisted men for supervisory purposes..... otherwise satisfy themselves that all supplies turned over to the Italian Army are received, warehoused, accounted for and issued in accordance with the intent of this directive".

2. The term Italian Army includes Italian Navy and Air Force within the ration ceiling of 500,000 and is so defined in para 1 and Appendix 'B' of above letter. The term supplies includes clothing and motor transport.

3. Relevant correspondence (not all in my office) is:

(a) FREEDOM signal 45220 dated 31 Jan to FLAMBO.

(b) MMIA letter AQ/8 of 11 Feb to FLAMBO and HQ A.C.C.

(c) FLAMBO Q15775 of 11 Feb to FREEDOM.

(d) FREEDOM 50389 of about 11 Feb to FLAMBO.

(e) FLAMBO letter 31/5/Q3 of 18 Feb to FREEDOM.

(f) FLAMBO letter 25/Q1 of 23 Feb to MMIA.

(g) MMIA letter AQ/8 of 26 Feb to FLAMBO.

4. No directive based on para 1 has yet been issued to define responsibilities, and from MMIA point of view is long overdue. FLAMBO 25/Q1 of 23 Feb refers.

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Brigadier.
Army Sub Comm A.C.

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DRAFT INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISCUSSION WITH COL. PENLEY IN THE LIGHT OF TELEGRAM FROM ALLIED MILITARY MISSION.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MID)
ALGIERS. (ALGOS)

19 Mar 44.

Col. PENLEY.

1. Your duties are to produce Standing Orders and Accounting Instructions for the supply supervisory organisation being set up under A.F.H.Q. letter, AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GS-AGW of 9 Jan. In this connection the term "supplies" includes rations, clothing and motor transport issued to the Italian Armed Forces in ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA from Allied sources.

2. A.F.H.Q. Accounting for Imported Supplies.

(a) Based on FREEDOM signal 45230 of 30 Jan addressed to all Districts, and NAVA signal, AS 741 of 10 Mar addressed to FREEDOM: You should produce agreed instructions for accounting by Italian Ministry of War through MMA to H.Q., A.F.H.Q. for all supplies imported into ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA.

(b) The fundamental basis of A.F.H.Q. policy is that the Italian Government should be in a position to deal with the Allied Governments with the greatest practicable amount of independent responsibilities. It is clear, moreover, from the above mentioned A.F.H.Q. letter of 9 Jan that it is the intention for the Italian Ministry of War to accept responsibility for all Allied supplies received in SICILY and SARDINIA. So far Italian Ministry of War deals only with the Mainland; where it receives supplies for release to the Italian Navy and Air Force and is therefore in a position to account wholesale through MMA to A.F.H.Q. This system requires extension to SICILY and SARDINIA as early as possible: coupled with arrangements made in agreement with the Allied authorities there, for the most economical use of Allied manpower to supervise it. Define whether it will be necessary to provide MMA Supply Liaison Officers in SICILY and SARDINIA as for Mainland or whether local Allied Military H.Q. can perform this service. Para 1 (2) of above mentioned A.F.H.Q. letter refers.

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3. A.C.C. Accounting for Supplies direct from Allied Stocks on Mainland SICILY or SARDINIA. An original or certified copy of the responsible Allied order to issue should be treated in same manner as ships manifest for imported supplies: and procedure thereafter be the same. It is not present policy to hand over motor vehicles to the Italian Forces and a copy of A.C.C. letter 170/45/SD2 of 30 Feb 44 is attached at Appendix 'A'.

4. A.C.A. Accounting. This should operate retrospectively as from arrival of first ship with purpose loaded "ITT" supplies. For the Mainland, MBIA have the necessary records for rations and are obtaining them for clothing: you should arrange with SARDINIA and SICILY to forward similar retrospective accounts to A.C.C. Your first priority is to organise the above system of accounting between the Italian Ministry of War and A.C.C. and to draft the necessary orders for its operation.

5. ITALIAN DEFICIT OF 300,000. Is laid down in above mentioned A.F.H.Q. letter of 9 Jan as overall total of Army, Navy and Air Force.

(a) It is accepted that the Carabinieri form an integral part of the Italian Army.

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5. Contd.

(b) Define whether Guardia Finanza should be similarly accepted. If not, define whence they should obtain their rations, boots and clothing.

(c) At present the strengths of Navy, Air Force, Carabinieri and Guardia Finanza on the Mainland, SICILY and SARDINIA are based on Italian statements. Arrange for periodical overall check, reports to be sent to MMIA by the Allied Central authority concerned in their supervision : so that overall strength of Italian Forces may be checked against the approved ration ceiling accordingly.

(d) In conjunction with Lieut Col [redacted] investigate the report that Italian Finance Ministry is paying 95,000 more individuals than the total strength of the Italian Armed Forces. Copies of A/V HQ letter, G5.70 of 7 Mar and our AG/3/1 of 16 Mar in reply are attached at Appendix 'B'.

6. Accounting from Italian Main Depots to Units, is an Allied supervisory responsibility. MMIA interim orders for "Supply Supervision and Liaison Organisation on the Mainland" are attached at Appendix 'C'. When PLAISIR Administrative Instructions have been received as the main framework you should marry the two to form draft 'MMIA Administrative Instructions' applicable to Mainland SICILY and SARDINIA.

7. In developing para. 6 pay particular attention to Italian Navy and Air Force on the following lines :-

(a) All issues to Italian Navy and to Italian Air Force should be separately accounted for.

(b) The method of issue should be such as to make subsequent administrative check as simple as possible.

(c) No detail issues. These Services should draw in bulk only for Italian Army bulk depots. On Mainland these are at TARANTO, NAPLES BARI, LECCE and CATANZARO. Define similarly for SICILY and SARDINIA. Issue vouchers should bear signatures of both Services concerned.

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(d) Italian Administrative and MMIA supervisory responsibility to end on issue from Army Bulk Depot. Thereafter administrative responsibility rests with Italian Navy or Air Force and supervisory responsibility with PCTAIT or Air Sub Commission.

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(e) In order to carry out the supervisory responsibilities laid down in above mentioned A.F.H.Q. letter of 9 Jan, both FOTALI and Air Sub Commission will have to arrange for periodical inspection of Italian Naval and Air Force supply depots on Mainland, SICILY and SARDINIA - this may involve provision of extra staff. They will presumably require submitted to them a copy of the countersigned issue vouchers referred to in sub para (c) above. In order to assist their crystallisation of thought show them what MMIA are doing in the matter.

(f) It is assumed that FOTALI will be the Central authority supervising the Italian Ministry of Marine but this is not officially confirmed. See copy of my AG/8 of 15 Mar at Appendix 'D'.

Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.F.H.Q.

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SUBJECT: Accounting of Supplies provided by the Allies to Italian Navy and Air Force.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
16 Mar 44.

To: FOTALI (5)
Air Force Sub Commission BARI.

copy to: Naval Sub Commission, A.C.C. SALERNO.
Adv HQ Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. SALERNO.
S.T. MMIA.

With reference to AFHQ letter, AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - AGM of 9 Jan 44 and H.Q. Allied Control Commission letter, APO.394 dated 6th Feb 44.

1. Under the system at present in force the Italian Army, after clearance from port, warehouses all rations both for itself and the Italian Navy and Air Force.

2. A strict control of both issue and storage of such rations is necessary. In the case of the Italian Army on the Mainland such control and supervision is exercised by this Sub Commission from the moment the rations are first warehoused to the time they reach sub depots. In SICILY, SARDINIA and CORSICA this control is at present exercised by the relavent Military HQ.

3. It is not possible for a similiar control to be made by this HQ for rations destined for the Italian Navy and Air Force; once the rations have been issued in bulk from Italian Army Depots to the Italian Navy and Air Force it is the responsibility of the Allied HQs controlling the Italian Navy and Air Force to ensure that the distribution, turnover, warehousing, accounting and issuing is carried out efficiently by the Italian authorities concerned.

4. Will the FOTALI and Air Force Sub Commission, therefore, please forward to this office every ten days a strength state of their respective Italian Arms of the service under the headings of operational (Scale 'A') and non-operational (Scale 'B') personnel:

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(a) Based on the Mainland of ITALY.
(b) Based in SICILY.
(c) Based in SARDINIA.
(d) Based in CORSICA.

5. While at present M.M.I.A. is directly concerned with the Forces based on the Mainland, the information in para 4 (b) (c) (d) is necessary for the determining of the total rations required for all Armed Forces and making the required plans for routing shipping to the correct ports. It is also necessary to check total strengths against the authorised ration ceiling of 500,000.

6. On receipt of the strength states referred to, MMIA will authorise the Ministry of War to issue in bulk to the Italian Navy and Air Force accordingly.

7. At the end of each ten day period, it will be necessary for FOTALI and the Air Force Sub Commission. to forward to the Army Sub Commission a statement of rations by commodities drawn from all Italian Army depots during the preceding ten day period; such statements will be signed by a responsible Italian officer and countersigned by FOTALI or Air Force Sub Commission.

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6. Ration Strength States - para 4 above - are due to reach this office every ten days, for example :

24 Mar	to cover	10	daily	period	4 Apr	to	13 Apr.
3 Apr	"	"	"	"	14 "	to	23 "
13 "	"	"	"	"	24 "	"	3 May.

Compiled on strengths 3 days earlier than report is due. This is the same system as has been hitherto operative with FLAMBO.

tvs. FJN.

Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Subject:- ITALIAN NAVY

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AC/3
16 Mar 44

Adv HQ. Army Sub Commission, ACC
SALERNO

1. Commodore PALMER sent me a note by hand of Major DOBBS saying he understood that FOTALI had sent me an Employment State of the Italian Navy on Shore.

2. This is not so. His note has crossed my AC/3 of 15 Mar addressed both to you and to him, which is an enquiry for a Central Naval Authority on supply matters; but is also by implication a general enquiry on all matters affecting the Italian Ministry of Marine.

I hope that things will straighten out in the near future.

Brig
Army Sub Comm. ACC

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AQ/8

Adv HQ Army Sub Comm SALERNO

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Yours

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SUBJECT: Discipline.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/6
Mar 44.

H.Q. AAI

1. The Italian Ministry of War and Army General Staff continue to report from time to time incidents involving Allied and Italian troops.

2. The majority of these incidents are not grave and are not worthy of investigation. In any case the Italian authorities have received instructions to report such cases without delay to the nearest Allied commander and by the time I receive reports of them it is too late to cause effective action to be taken.

3. In order to bring periodically to the notice of all Allied troops in Italy the need to take precautions against the recurrence of incidents, however small, which may lead to bad relations, I would be glad if you would consider the publication of appropriate orders to be given as wide a circulation as possible.

tvs.MCH.

Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Brigadier Buchanan.

Understand S.O.T.A.L. has sent you lists of Nos. of Italian Sailors home and where employed.

Have you received it?

Would like a copy.

J. Allen.

Subject Strength of Italian Naval units

Naval Int. Commission N.C.C.

Reference Commodore Palmieri note passed to me. FOTALI has not given me an complete return of Italian sailors home. Also FOTALI has known omitted the following figures for A.A. and Coastal Defence

	Germans		Britishers	
	Officers	Ratings	Officers	Ratings
A.A	216	3303	36	1851
C.D	148	1386	86	1491

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TO	
Major Byatt	Show the att to Mummery of USAF and tell them that Naples understands it is quite OK. Hint strongly that a ref A taxpayer's name has been wanted by COL CLARKE so forcing the exit half cocked with AFHQ. Returns urgently to me 12/3
A.Q.	Done. See log dated 13 March.

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2nd Ind. TF/bmh
HEADQUARTERS, ACMF, ADMINISTRATIVE ECHELON, OCOT, APO 400, 8 March 1944

TO: Headquarters, Allied Control Commission (For Army Sub-Commission).

In regard to basic communication, your attention is invited to 1st endorsement.

For the Chief of Transportation:

THOMAS FULLER,
Colonel, T.C.,
Deputy Chief of Transportation.

1 Incl.
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MILITARY MISSIONS
Date 12 Mar 48

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HEADQUARTERS
ACMF, ADMINISTRATIVE ECHELON
Office of the Chief of Transportation
A.P.O. 400

29 February 1944

MEMO TO: Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782, U.S. Army

SUBJECT: Military Loading and Unloading at Naples Harbor

The attached letter is forwarded to you for action as you deem necessary.

For the Chief of Transportation:

THOMAS FULLER,
Colonel, T.C.,
Deputy Chief of Transportation.

1 Incl.
Ltr (24 Feb 44) fm
Armed Forces of Campania
Intendenza (No 2500) to
AFHQ (in dup—original
and translation)

AG 569 BPTPN (5 Mar. 44) 1st Ind. KOS/nfb
HQ., PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, APO 782, 5 March 1944.

TO: CAO, Hq. ACMF (Adm. Echelon), APO 400. Attn: COT

1. All Italian cargo arriving in the Port is unloaded and transported to the depot by U.S. personnel and equipment. The Italian forces only furnish guards to accompany the cargo to the depot. It is therefore considered unnecessary for an Italian loading and unloading office to be set up in the Port.

For the Commanding General:

L. F. NICKEL
Lt. Col., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

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ARMED FORCES OF CAMPANIA
INTENDENZA

Nº 2500

P.M. 120, 24 February 1944

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Subject : Military loading and unloading office at Naples' Harbor.

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TO: A. F. H. Q.

N A P L E S

Since loading and unloading of foodstuffs for Italian troops has been in operation for some days, this office would suggest that the Military loading and unloading office, already existing at the Harbor, be reinstalled.

That office, annexing with the one recently organized by the "Direzione di Commissariato" for the reception of supplies for Italian troops, would be charged with all operations relative to sea - transports of the Italian Forces, assuring thus the continuity of the service.

I would be very grateful to your Command if this question be examined and authorization be given so that loading and unloading office can retake its service, granting the use of premises in the Harbor.

Your reply would be appreciated.

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A. CALARESU, Colonel
Chief of S.O.S.

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INTENDENZA FF.AA.DELLA CAMPANIA

N° 2500 di prot.

P.M.120, li 24 febbraio 1944

O G G E T T O : Ufficio militare imbarchi e sbarchi nel porto di Napoli.-

ALL' A. F. H. Q.

N A P O L I

Con l'inizio, avvenuto in questi giorni, delle operazioni di scarico nel porto di Napoli di derrate per le truppe italiane, sarebbe intendimento di questa Intendenza di far riprendere il suo funzionamento all'Ufficio militare imbarchi e sbarchi, che già prestava servizio nel porto stesso.

Detto ufficio, fondendosi con quello che di recente è stato costituito dalla direzione di commissariato per la ricezione dei rifornimenti per le truppe italiane, verrebbe interessato di tutte le operazioni relative ai trasporti marittimi delle FF.AA. italiane, assicurando, in tal modo, la continuità del servizio.

Molto sarei grato a codesto comando se volesse esaminare la questione ed autorizzare che il detto ufficio militare imbarchi e sbarchi possa riprendere il suo funzionamento, concedendo allo stesso l'uso di un locale nel porto in parola.

Gradirò un cortese cenno di riscontro.-

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Gradirò un cortese cenno di riscontro.-

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IL COLONNELLO INTENDENTE
(Antonio Calaresu)

INTENDENZA FF.AA. ITALIANA

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HEADQUARTERS, ACMF, ADMINISTRATIVE ECHELON, OCOT, APO 400, 8 March 1944

TO: Headquarters, Allied Control Commission (For Army Sub-Commission).

In regard to basic communication, your attention is invited to 1st endorsement.

For the Chief of Transportation:

THOMAS FULLER,
Colonel, T.C.,
Deputy Chief of Transportation.

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This folio was removed from file and was found on 7.4.44 on desk in St. Branch.

SUBJECT: Accounting for Supplies issued by Allies to Italian Navy.

File TS4.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MSLA)
LINE/UTLO (LLOC)
AC/S
15 Mar 44.

FOR ALL.

Copy to: FOWIT. } for
Naval Sub Commission, A.C.C. SALERNO. } information.
Adv HQ Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. SALERNO }

With reference to AFHQ letter, AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - ACW of 9 Jan and H.Q. ACC letter, APC. 394 of 6 Feb : -

1. I write to enquire as to the central authority of the ROYAL NAVY with whom I should correctly deal on the question of accounting for supplies issued by the Allies to the Italian Navy.

2. The factors, as they appear to me, are as follows :

(a) I supervise the activities of the Italian Ministry of War who receive the supplies in bulk at the various ports, warehouse them, and issue in bulk to the Italian Navy.

(b) Chief Commissioner A.C.C. has instructed me to deal direct with you on matters appertaining to the Italian Navy, since you are side by side with the Italian Ministry of Marine.

(c) The above mentioned AFHQ letter lays down a ration ceiling for the Italian Navy, Air Force, and Army incl Carabinieri in ITALY, SICILY, SARDINIA and CORSICA. As the most convenient authority implicated it is my responsibility to advise Chief Commissioner A.C.C. if this ceiling is in danger of being exceeded, so that he may rule if necessary which Arm should reduce to bring the numbers within the authorised total.

3. As regards the Italian Navy I therefore require a periodical state of their ration strength in:

(a) Mainland of ITALY.
(b) SICILY.

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(d) CORSICA.

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4. You will appreciate the necessity for a co-ordinated centralised statement published in consultation with the Ministry of Marine so that their demands on the Italian Ministry of War may be based on the same figures. Would you be so good as to confirm that you are in a position to furnish such a statement. And if not, who should do so ?

Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

TW.

Sir,
This letter was handed To me by S.T. 1/4/44
having been removed from the file (by whom?)

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MESSAGE FORM

From: MMIA

TOO 15 11 03 A

To : FALCON for SIMMONS

THY

0 284 (.) Your WM 562 of 11 March was addressed FATIMA for QUINSMITH which caused serious delay (.) You are referred to my 0242 of 18 Feb stating all normal correspondence should be sent to MMIA (.) Acknowledge

May be sent as written except ( ) wireless To be sent in Cipher if liable to interception Degree of Priority

Sgd _____ Sgd _____

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ACTION SLIP

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THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

To

C.C.	Take copy for ST & our files then return to Central Index 14/3 CC. & M/R
C.C.	1 BF Signal & FALCON Sqns that our MAIN HQ is at LEQUILE — I./109 - folio 38. 2 Have you taken copy as above? — Completed CC. 14/3

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HQ ACC, APO 394
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By
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RELAY NO.....R272/12
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TO.... .....FATIMA FOR QUINSMITH

M/C NO.....13
REF NO.....WM562
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RECD.....121024
J R LEE

HEADQUARTERS
12 MAR 1944
A. C. C.

REFERENCE FREEDOM 60304 DATED051257. BALANCED RATIONS FROM USA FOR ITALIAN FORCES SARDINIA IS SUBJECT. 30 DAYS BALANCED SUPPLY FOR APPROXIMATELY 200,000 TROOPS HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE. THIS LEVEL WAS REDUCED APPROXIMATELY 15 PERCENT BY REASON OF REIMBURSEMENT TO US FOR A C C STOCKS FOR ADVANCES THEREFROM PREVIOUSLY MADE TO RATION ITALIAN FORCES EMPLOYED IN ALLIED INTERESTS. ISSUE TO ALL ITALIAN FORCES SARDINIA FROM THESE SPECIAL IMPORTS WAS INITIATED FIRSTH MARCH. RATIONS SUFFICIENT TO 25 MARCH INCLUSIVE ON HAND. (TO FATIMA FOR QUINSMITH TO FREEDOM TO FLAMBO AND FLAMBO PLEASE PASS TO MMIA FROM MARTIN FOR SIMMONS AT FALCON CITE AGS Y61)

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HEADQUARTERS 9 MAR 1944 A.C.C.

CANCELLED IS NATOUSA CABLE 56511 DATED 25 FEBRUARY WHICH AUTHORIZED ISSUE OF CERTAIN CLASS 2 AND 4 SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN FIRST MOTORIZED GROUP AND 4 ITALIAN PACK MULE COMPANIES. ALL EQUIPMENT ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY OF 56511 WILL BE CONSIDERED ON LOAN BASIS AND WILL BE WITHDRAWN IMMEDIATELY WHEN UNITS INVOLVED CEASE TO BE EMPLOYED IN AN OPERATIONAL ROLE

POLICY OF CCS IS THAT SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN TROOPS WILL BE LIMITED TO CLOTHING SUBSISTENCE, FUEL AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES. COMBAT EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONLY FROM ITALIAN SOURCES.

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(ii) Document C. The terms contained in Document C were all put into effect by MDL No. 31. The terms of Document C are stated below together with the corresponding Articles of MDL No. 31:

Document C	MDL No. 31
1. Military government in the territory restored having been terminated by the Allied Military Government, all powers of government and jurisdiction in the territory restored and over its inhabitants, and final administrative responsibility, subject only to the rights reserved to the United Nations, are vested in the Government of Italy.	ART. 1. Allied Military Government, having been terminated, all proclamations and orders heretofore emanating from the Military Governor General of the Allied Forces or from his delegates lose their validity in the territories formerly under the jurisdiction of the Allied Military Government.
2. All Proclamations and Orders heretofore issued by the Military Governor or under his authority by its delegates in the said territory and which have been terminated therein by the Military Governor as upon its restoration, are hereby recognised by the Italian Government as having been validly issued during the time they were operative and are declared to be of the same legal effect as if they had been issued by the Italian Government in accordance with Italian law, and they will be so recognised by all Italian Courts and officials.	The efficacy of the Acts undertaken by the Allied Military Authorities, referred to in the preceding paragraph, by virtue of the said proclamations and orders shall remain in force including the appointments and dismissals of public and private officials, which shall be recognised in every case as having full and valid legal effect as if they had been made by the Italian Government.
3. All acts done by any member of the Allied Forces in pursuance of such Proclamations or orders, and all official action of any nature taken by the Allied Military Government in pursuance thereof including all appointments to and removals from any office, public or private, will be recognisedby all Italian Courts andofficials as legal, valid and binding.	The legal and financial status of those who have been placed in public office by the Allied Military Government will be regulated in accordance with the rules of Italian laws. (See also above 3(a)(1)7)
4. All sentences imposed by Allied Military Courts are hereby recognised by the Italian Government as valid and legal and	ART. 2. The sentences pronounced by the Allied Military Tribunals shall remain in force and shall in all res-

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4. All sentences imposed by Allied Military Courts are hereby recognised by the Italian Government as valid and legal and of the same effect as if imposed by an Italian Court and will be so recognised by all Italian Courts andItalian officials unless set aside or modified by or with the consent of the Allied Control Commission.

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The legal and financial status of those who have been placed in public office by the Allied Military Government will be regulated in accordance with the rules of Italian laws.

(See also above 3(a)(1)7)

ART. 2. The sentences pronounced by the Allied Military Tribunals shall remain in force and shall in all respects be recognised as though pronounced by Italian Tribunals, unless revoked or modified by the Allied Control Commission or with the consent of the said Commission.

(b) Document D enumerates under the heading "Financial matters" a series of steps to be taken by the Italian Government i.e.:

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1. Reenacting by decree if necessary the terms of Bando No. 61 AC of 24 Sept. 1943 in relation to notesof exchange of Allied Military Currency.

Bando No. 61 was published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale, Special Series, No. 1/B, 18 Nov. 1943 and the Finance Subcommission has not requested its republication in form of a decree.

2. Barring transactions in lands and buildings so far as necessary to prevent inflation.

In agreement with the Finance Subcommission the policy of imposing limitations upon the above transactions has been abandoned.

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