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MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E

AG/8
20 Sep 44

Minister of War

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Ref attached -

H.Q., A.A.I. have now informed me that there is no objection to you issuing such a proclamation, provided that you make it quite clear that your "Operational Zone" has NO connection with the "Operational Zone" of the Allied Forces.

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Major General.
M.M.I.A.

Copy to :- Acting Chief Commissioner, ACC(ref his A/CC 091.711 dated 19 Sep)

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Aug 44.

It is some time since I sent you a short resume of my activities and a great deal has happened.

1. MOVE TO ROME. This was divided into two phases :-

(a) the transition phase - when a temporary Italian Military Authority ROME (I M A R) was set up for the control of the immediate problems in ROME. General BENCIVENGA the existing Italian Commander, was co-opted as head of I M A R and the plan worked well under the control of an advanced rep. of MMIA.

(b) the final phase, - the hand-over to and establishment of the Ministry of War and S.M.R.E. with the arrival of the Italian Government in ROME. The immense advantages of concentration were at once evident. The increased efficiency of having all contacts on the spot, especially the Ministry of War and S.M.R.E., to enable the immense amount of intimate detailed day to day work to be carried out was most noticeable. Certain of the current problems such as Patriots and the "Six New Combat Groups" could not have been handled as quickly and efficiently if the HQs and persons concerned had been scattered.

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3. THE CEILING. The various decisions made on this matter affect many of my activities. The position as I see it now is :-

Service	Ceiling	Clothed by	Rationed by
Navy	75000	R.N.	MMIA from British Army Stocks.

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Service	Ceiling	Clothed by	Rationed by
Air Force	31000	Italian Air Force helped by MMIA.	MMIA from U.S. sources.
CCRR	55000	CCRR helped by MMIA	MMIA from U.S. sources.
Army	318000	Italian Army helped by MMIA.	MMIA from U.S. sources.
	479000		

The increase of the Air Force from 22000 to 31000 entails a corresponding reduction in the Army to 309000 to bring the ceiling down to 470000 by 1 Sep 44 (AFHQ Signal FX76867 of 30 July 44, Appx 'A' and my G/6/1/F of 10 Aug 44, Appx 'B').

The ceiling of the CCRR is causing much heartburning in A.C.C. The Guardia di Finanza has already reverted to civilian control so that the 55,000 is all genuine CCRR. The reduction in the Army proper from the original figure proposed by Gen. ALEXANDER (approx. 375000) to 309000 means a cut of 18%, compared with a cut of only 8½% for CCRR (60000 to 55000). Moreover CCRR are only 42000 odd at the moment and I have not yet had any figures from A.C.C. as to how these are distributed and why they really need more than 55000. Italian Army battalions guard Allied dumps etc. CCRR do not do this. Moreover the presence of the Allies imposes a great degree of law and order automatically. So I do not see that A.C.C. have proved their case.

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5. ABSORBTION OF UNITS FROM THE PROGRAM BY ALLIED FORMATIONS.

A certain degree of congestion has occurred in Transit Camps etc owing to the slowness with which the Districts and other Allied Formations have taken up troops which have been allotted to them. Italian Units are formed or brought over from SARDINIA in accordance with the established Program, but the Allied Formation to whom they are allotted has not always thought out how or where the Italian unit is to be used. This causes delays before the units are put to work with consequent waste of effectiveness, lowering of morale and desertions. Transport has been the main trouble in this connection.

6. PATRIOTS.

(a)The method of dealing with Italian military personnel who are encountered on the advance North and the extent to which they can be re-accepted in the Italian Army was set out in my G/19 of 3 June, and brought up to date by my G/19 of 23 July. The letter was given further distribution as an attachment to ACC 30/8/PAT of 24 July.

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(b) Briefly the policy is to send fwd three small Italian Army screening dets to 5 Army, 8 Army and Polcorps, and a further three to Region 4 for the intermediate area, all to work under the direction of AMG and screen volunteers. Those accepted will be given a pass to return by military channels to the nearest enlistment centres, which at present are at ROME and CHIETI. They will not become an Italian Army responsibility until they are actually re-enlisted at these centres. The Italian Military Authorities keep within the prescribed ceiling by demobilizing a corresponding number of soldiers elsewhere. The numbers volunteering for combat is working out at about 10%.

7. WEARING OF UNIFORM

I believe there are a large number of Italian officers and other ranks who, although not in the officially constituted Italian Army, are still wearing Army uniform and endeavouring to obtain the privileges of the Army. For obvious reasons this is inadvisable. I have instructed the Minister (Appx D) that only regularised personnel should wear the Army uniform. Perhaps you will think it advisable to notify all Allied units accordingly.

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The S I M organization has been carried under the Comando Supremo. AAI has issued instructions that S I M will be sorted out and carried as a separate unit. Most of it is under Allied command. It is planned to recommend that the whole affair be placed under administrative jurisdiction of the Minister for War, with the proper units placed under Allied command.

When this is accomplished, the Comando Supremo will have only the following functions :-

1. Military Law and Justice.
2. Policy on discipline.
3. General personnel rules and nominations of General and Flag Officers.
4. Civil Censorship.

For the first three functions Comando Supremo asks for a total strength of 210 people. For the censorship of civilian mail, which operates under the Communications Sub-Commission, ACC, the strength has not been determined by

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the Sub-Commission, but it will be relatively small insofar as Army personnel is concerned.

As soon as S.I.M. has been sorted out a clear directive for the charter of the Comando Supremo is to be issued by the Acting Chief Commissioner, A.C.C. This directive will, in accordance with the policy approved by the C. in C., specify that the S.M.G. will exercise no command or operational functions with respect to the Italian Armed Forces. It will be mainly political and advisory.

10. ACCOUNTING FOR SUPPLIES.

I have made definite progress here and, with one or two minor exceptions, I have been able to send to the Chief Accountant vouchers signed by the Italian War Ministry for all items received up to 25 Jun for which I have accounting responsibility.

11. CLOTHING AND BOOTS.

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The War Ministry have been instructed to make a survey of all repairable Italian uniforms and repair materials. This survey is not completed, but is has been determined that 100,000 repairable uniforms are immediately available and that sufficient repairing materials are now on hand to repair this quantity. The Ministry of War is making arrangements to repair and dye Allied clothing as well as Italian, and estimates that repairs can be carried out at the rate of 100,000 uniforms per month, when the scheme is operating. The equivalent of 150,000 Allied Uniforms are now available for repair.

With the exception of machine needles and button-hole thread, sufficient repairing materials now appear to be available from local resources. Needles are being requested by AFHQ. The possibility of producing button-hole thread in local factories is being investigated and appears likely.

Large quantities of new American clothing were consigned in error to MMIA and are being turned back to the American Base Section. The hand-over of part-worn clothing which should have followed the publication of AFHQ Adm Memo No.5 and did not, is now taking place.

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Another problem is the clothing of the CCRR. I am handing over to them some part-worn garments with their fair share of repair material and they must get the repairs done through the CCRR organisations as is the normal practice.

12. RATIONS.

The major event here is the introduction of the new single scale. I fear you also will have had all the moans that I have. In my AG/8 of 25 April 44 I asked for a single scale if the proposal for the universal use of the Combat Scale should be turned down. We have not got the Combat Scale and the final answer is not even as good as my proposal. The Italian likes bulk not calories ! On the other hand he is getting a ration probably better than he was before we arrived. For convenience I attach at Appx. 'F' some data on the various scales and at Appx. 'G' a note from a Liaison Officer in C.I.L. He is not quite correct in saying that the scale cuts out cigarettes as they are an item which the Italian Government supply from within Italy. See my A-Q/2 of 11 Aug.

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I am pushing on with the policy of the CCS in making the "Ceiling" full of "Effective" personnel only. Three classes are worthy of mention :-

(a) Private Armies. These I find continually and am gradually straightening them out. This job is not yet complete and tidy.

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14. M.T.

Still a major problem. Increasing areas to cover with a decreasing amount of M.T. is bound to be difficult. I shall have to take over more detailed control of the Italian M.T. I am having a complete fresh survey made of all their M.T. I shall then re-allot it as required and control it for the best

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interests of the Allies. This is in a way contrary to the policy of making the Italians run their own show, but I must have the proper results.

Vehs are being repaired in SARDINIA under our control and are coming over, also a number of tyres have become available, so that I shall be able to reinforce the fwd tps for a while.

This cannibalisation, repair, collection of vehs left by the Germans, is only a short term policy and eventually the day must come when the Italian M.T. can no longer compete with its routine work of maintaining itself.

15. HSD.424.

I am not clear how far this has got. A draft was sent by A.A.I. to A.F.H.Q. under 1605/50/19/G(SD1) of 6 Jul 44. Unfortunately I was not given the opportunity to send fully briefed reps to the conference which set it up. I made certain recommendations in my AQ/8 of 11 Jul 44, and, in order to assist as much as possible, incorporated these into a completely re-written draft. I gave much careful thought to AQ/8 of 11 Jul 44 and very much hope you had the opportunity of seeing it.

I should be most grateful for the latest news as it is of extreme importance and the sooner it is got out the better.

16. VISIT.

In accordance with the request in AFHQ Signal F-34583 (att Appx.'H') the C.C.S. sent Major Warren from their Lease Lend Division. His stay has been of the greatest help and many problems have been clarified. We put all our cards on the table and he now has a complete picture.

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Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA).

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To: Maj. Gen. Sir BRIAN H.ROBERTSON, Bt.KCVO.CB.CBE.DSO.MC.
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The Minister's letter does not contemplate the opening of these Headquarters with civilian personnel - They want ten soldiers - or a total of 2.640.

You have told them they can use civilians - retired personnel if they desire.

Now they propose a private army, not on the strength, and not drawing rations. We have told them no private armies allowed.

I am opposed to the use of any effective Army personnel on this sort of work. In fact, within the ceiling it just does not exist.

Most of the units they want to reopen have been disbanded on over ordered 6.3.19 or do not exist.

Why they cannot use civilians I cannot understand. The Minister is a civilian -

I shall be pleased to discuss the above when he is seeing Okelia & will let me know. I agree re above

(K) No action. L.B 22 E/P 20/9

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COPY TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War
To: M.M.I.A.

Ref 301275/CA
16 Sep 44.

Subject: Military Districts and Depots. -479

Reference to your letter AG/C dated 29 Aug 44.

1. I agree with MMIA that in the actual circumstances it would not be possible to form a regular territorial organisation as before the war.

2. MMIA has confirmed that districts are to continue their activity because this is a matter of general concern. It is also necessary to keep the depots working to carry on management of materials and documentation.

Whatever may be in future the final organisation of the Italian Army it is essential to rely upon the depots and districts to ensure a regular change over of the still extant war organisation into the future peace organisation. The organisation of the districts will be necessary to carry out the census of personnel. The census is indispensable to lead to our age re-classification of the classes under arms.

3. This Ministry will do its utmost to draw specialised personnel from civilian sources. But I think even now that we shall meet with great difficulties when trying to find individuals in possession of an adequate technical preparation, who wish to be employed and to whom, according to the actual instructions, suitable wages could not be paid.

I therefore suggest that in each district and depot at least 10 military, three or four of whom should be officers, be employed. The D.C. should be a senior officer of the regular Army, who owing to his position would have the authority and capability necessary to direct the organisation. The e/m military personnel could be drawn from those officers and NCOs of irreproachable conduct, who are actually unemployed as there is no vacancy. This personnel could also not be a part of the strength authorised to draw rations, because it will be certainly possible to find military personnel who will accept to resume

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At the same time this solution to the problem would allow for the employment at least pending a more definite solution, of part of the personnel which is now a moral and material of Mil. Administration.

4. Enc. 1 shows list of districts and depots in liberated territory which I suggest should be established.
Enc. 2 shows districts and depots in territory still to be liberated.
I will send you nominal roll of C.Cs as soon as it has been possible to decide on this organisation.

5. Will AMIA kindly give this matter their kind consideration. I await your decision on these suggestions.

(sgd) The Minister
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from : MOUSA
to : MMIA

Translation

AL 30127S/OA
Sept 16, 44

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AQ/8.

Subject: Military districts + depots.

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(Sgd) A. CASATI.

Dft S/Sgt.

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5th Jackets.

TU/cc. N.°

Ministero della Guerra

GABINETTO

n° 301225/C.A. P.M. 151, 16 settembre 1944

OGGETTO : Distretti e depositi.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO

R O M A

Riferimento AQ/8 del 29 agosto u.s..

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Riferimento AQ/8 del 29 agosto u.s..

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3°)- Per quanto concerne il personale da impiegare concompiti di concetto questo Ministero farà tutto il possibile per trarlo da quello civile.

Ma ritengo fino da ora che osteranno grandi difficoltà per trovare elementi che siano in possesso di adeguata preparazione tecnica i quali accettino tale incarico che, secondo le disposizioni vigenti, non sarebbe possibile retribuire convenientemente.

Per quanto sopra propongo di poter impiegare in ciascun distretto e deposito un minimo di dieci militari di cui tre o quattro ufficiali. In specie il comandante dovrebbe essere ufficiale superiore in s.p.e. che, per la sua posizione, sarebbe rivestito della autorevolezza e della capacità necessaria per dirigere l'organizzazione.

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Tale personale militare potrebbe essere tratto da quegli ufficiali e sottufficiali che - senza aver nulla demeritato - sono oggi senza incarico per indisponibilità di posti. Sarebbe possibile non farlo gravare sulla forza del contingente vettovagliato in quanto si troverà certo del personale militare che, pur di riscuotere assegni che oggi non percepisce, accetterà di riprendere servizio anche senza la razione viveri.

Per contro questo provvedimento consentirebbe di impiegare, almeno nell'attesa di una definitiva sistemazione, un'aliquota di personale che grava moralmente e materialmente su questa amministrazione.

4°)- Con l'allegato 1 trasmetto l'elenco dei distretti e dei depositi, dislocati in territorio liberato, che propongo di istituire.

Nell'allegato 2 sono indicati i distretti e i depositi dislocati nel territorio ancora da liberare.

Faccio riserva di trasmettere i nominativi dei singoli comandanti non appena sarà stato possibile attuare questa organizzazione.

5°)- Prego codesta A.S.C. di voler esaminare le proposte di cui sopra con benevola comprensione. Rimango in attesa di conoscere le determinazioni che saranno prese al riguardo.

IL MINISTRO

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Allegato al f° 300478/C.A. del Ministero Guerra - Gabinetto in data settembre 19[illegible]

ELENCO DEGLI ENTI TERRITORIALI DISLOCATI NEL TERRITORIO DI RECENTE LIBERATO

Chieti	(distretto (deposito 140 rgt.ftr.
Aquila	(distretto (deposito 13° rgt.ftr. (" 13° rgt.a.d.f.
Sulmona	(distretto (deposito btg.alp.l'Aquila
Teramo	- distretto
Ascoli P.	(distretto (deposito 225° rgt.ftr.
Roma	(distretti I - II (deposito 1° rgt.granatieri (" 2° " " (" 81° " ftr. (" 2° " bers. (" 4° " ftr.carr. (" rgt.Genova Cav. (" 13° rgt.g.d.f. (" 8° " art.di C.A. (" 8° " genio (" 8° " autieri
Viterbo	(distretto (deposito 3° rgt.granatieri (deposito paracadutisti
Frosinone	- distretto
Bracciano	- deposito 52° rgt. a.d.f.

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Teramo	- distretto
Ascoli P.	(distretto (deposito 225° rgt.ftr.
Roma	(distretti I - II (deposito 1° rgt.granatieri (" 2° " " (" 81° " ftr. (" 2° " bers. (" 4° " ftr.carr. (" rgt.Genova Cav. (" 13° rgt.g.d.f. (" 3° " art.di C.A. (" 6° " genio (" 9° " autieri
Viterbo	(distretto (deposito 3° rgt.granatieri (deposito paracadutisti
Frosinone	- distretto
Bracciano	- deposito 52° rgt. e.d.f.
Littoria	- distretto
Grosseto	- distretto
Arezzo	(distretto (deposito 87° rgt.ftr.
Siena	(distretto (deposito 5° rgt.bers. (" 31° " ftr.carr.

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Firenze	(distretto (deposito 84° rgt.ftr. (" 19° " art.d.f. (" 3° " c.a. (" 7° " genio (" 7° " autieri
Livorno	(deposito 89° rgt.ftr. (" 12° " bers. (" 7° " art.di C.A.
Pare	- deposito 94° rgt.ftr.
Ancona	(distretto (deposito 93° rgt.ftr.
Pesaro	- deposito 2° rgt.a.d.f.
Macerata	(distretto (deposito 226° rgt.ftr.
Perugia	(distretto (deposito 51° rgt.ftr.
Foligno	- deposito 1° rgt.art.d.f.
Spoleto	(distretto (deposito 52°rgt.ftr.
Orvieto	- distretto
Pisa	(distretto (deposito 220 rgt.ftr. (deposito 7°rgt.a.d.f.
Lucca	- distretto

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Allegato 2 al f° 300/178/C.A del Ministero Guer[illegible] - Gabinetto in data settembre 194[illegible]

ELENCO dei depositi e dei distretti dislocati nel territorio ancora da liberare

Torino:
- distretto
- deposito 90° rgt. ftr.
- " 92° " "
- " 4° " bers.
- " rgt. Nizza cavalleria
- " 1° rgt. art. alp.
- " 1° " " di A.
- " 1° " genio
- " rgt. ferrovieri
- " 1° rgt. autieri

Chivasso: - distretto

Pinerolo:
- distretto
- deposito 3° rgt. alpini
- btg. alp. Pinerolo

Novara:
- distretto
- deposito 54° rgt. ftr.
- " 68° " "
- " 17° " a.d.f.

Ivrea:
- distretto
- deposito btg. alp. Ivrea
- " 53° rgt. ftr.

Vercelli:
- distretto
- deposito 63° rgt. ftr.
- " 1° ftr. carr.
- " 1° art. c.a.

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- distretto

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Chivasso: - distretto

Pinerolo:
(distretto
(deposito 3° rgt. alpini
(btg. alp. Pinerolo
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Novara:
(distretto
(deposito 54° rgt. ftr.
(" 68° " "
(" 17° " a.d.f.

Ivrea:
(distretto
(deposito btg. alp. Ivrea
(" 53° rgt. ftr.

Vercelli:
(distretto
(deposito 63° rgt. ftr.
(" 1° ftr. carr.
(" 1° art. c.a.

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Alessandria:
(distretto
(deposito 37° rgt. ftr.
(" 11° " a.d.f.
(" 2° " art. di A.
(" 2° " autieri

Casale M.:
(distretto
(deposito 2° rgt. genio
(" 1° " art. di C.A.

Tortona: - distretto

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Cuneo:	(distretto (deposito 33° rgt. ftr. (" 2° " alp. (" 4° " art. alp. (" 7° " " G.a.f.
Cairo M.:	- deposito btg. alp. Pieve di Teco
Mondovì:	(distretto (deposito 1° rgt. alp. (" btg. alp. Mondovì
Saluzzo:	- deposito 44° rgt. ftr.
Rivoli:	- deposito 91° rgt. ftr.
Ceva:	- deposito btg. alp. Ceva
Dronero:	- deposito btg. alp. Dronero
Borgo S.D.	- deposito btg. alp. Borgo S.Dalmazzo
Costigliole S.	- deposito btg. alp. Saluzzo
Susa:	- deposito btg. alp. Susa
Esille:	- deposito btg. alp. Esille
Aosta:	(deposito 4° rgt. alp. (" btg. alp. Aosta
Tortona:	- deposito 30° rgt. ftr.
Venaria R.:	(deposito 5° rgt. a.d.f. (deposito 8° " art. G.a.f.
Asti:	(deposito 25° rgt. a.d.f. (" 26° " ftr.

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Ceva: - deposito btg. alp. Ceva

Dronero: - deposito btg. alp. Dronero

Borgo S.D. - deposito btg. alp. Borgo S.Dalmazzo

Costigliole S. - deposito btg. alp. Saluzzo

Susa: - deposito btg. alp. Susa

Esille: - deposito btg. alp. Esille

Aosta: (deposito 4° rgt. alp.
(" btg. alp. Aosta

Tortona: - deposito 30° rgt. ftr.

Venaria R.: (deposito 5° rgt. a.d.f.
(deposito 8° " art. G.a.f.

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Asti: (deposito 25° rgt. a.d.f.
(" 29° " ftr.

Alba: - deposito 38° rgt. ftr.

Acqui: - deposito 2° rgt. art. di C.A.

Fossano: (deposito 34° rgt. ftr.
(" 28° " a.d.f.

Genova: (distretto
(deposito 43° rgt. ftr.
(" 89° " "

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Novi Ligure:	- deposito 1° rgt. genio minatori
Savona:	(distretto (deposito 42° rgt. ftr. (" 11° " art. G.a.f.
Albenga:	- deposito 29° rgt. ftr.
Imperia:	- deposito 41° rgt. ftr.
Milano:	(distretto I e II (deposito 7° rgt. ftr. (" 27° " " (" 5° " alp. (" rgt. Savoia cav. (" rgt. art. Principe Amedeo duca d'Aosta (" 3° rgt. autieri
Lodi:	(distretto (deposito 3° rgt. bers.
Monza:	(distretto (deposito 8° rgt. ftr.
Como:	(distretto (deposito 67° rgt. ftr.
Varese:	- distretto
Pavia:	(distretto (deposito 3° rgt. genio
Sondrio:	- distretto
Brescia:	(distretto (deposito 7° rgt. bers. (" 30° art. d.f.

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Lodi: (distretto
(deposito 3° rgt. bers.

Monza: (distretto
(deposito 8° rgt. ftr.

Como: (distretto
(deposito 67° rgt. ftr.

Varese: - distretto

Pavia: (distretto
(deposito 3° rgt. genio

Sondrio: - distretto

Brescia: (distretto
(deposito 7° rgt. bers.
(" 30° art. d.f.

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Bergamo: (distretto
(deposito 78° rgt. ftr.

Treviglio: - distretto

Cremona: (distretto
(deposito 17° rgt. ftr.
(" 3° " art. di C.A.

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Piacenza:	(distretto (deposito 65° rgt. ftr. (" 21° " art. Po (" 4° " " di A. . (" 2° " pontieri
Chiari:	- deposito 77° fgt. ftr.
Arona:	- deposito btg. alp. Intra
Edolo:	- deposito btg. alp. Edolo
Lecco:	- deposito btg. alp. Morbegno
Tirano:	- deposito btg. alp. Tirano
Voghera:	- deposito 1° rgt. cav. Monferrato
Desenzano:	- deposito btg. alp. Vestone
Parma:	(distretto (deposito 66° rgt. ftr. (" 33° carrista (" rgt. cav. Guide
Verona:	(distretto (deposito 79° rgt. ftr. (" 8° " bers. (" 6° " alp. (" btg. alp. Verona (" 32° rgt. ftr. carrista (" rgt. cav. Novara (" 8° rgt. a.d.f. (" 4° " genio (" 1° " " pontieri (" 2° " " minatori (" 4° " autieri
Mantova:	(distretto (deposito 80° rgt. ftr.

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Tirano: - deposito btg. alp. [illegible]

Voghera: - deposito 1° rgt. cav. Monferrato

Desenzano: - deposito btg. alp. Vestone

Parma:
(distretto
(deposito 66° rgt. ftr.
(" 33° carrista
(" rgt. cav. Guide

Verona:
(distretto
(deposito 79° rgt. ftr.
(" 8° " bers.
(" 6° " alp.
(" btg. alp. Verona
(" 32° rgt. ftr. carrista
(" rgt. cav. Novara
(" 8° rgt. a.d.f.
(" 4° " genio
(" 1° " " pontieri
(" 2° " " minatori
(" 4° " autieri

Mantova:
(distretto
(deposito 80° rgt. ftr.
(" 4° " art. c.a.
(" 4° " " di C.A.

Vicenza:
(distretto
(deposito 57° rgt. ftr.
(" btg. alp. Vicenza

Padova:
(distretto
(deposito 58° rgt. ftr.
(" 20° " a.d.f.
(" 5° " art. C.A.

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Treviso:	(distretto (deposito 55° rgt. ftr. (" 11° " art. di C.A. (" 9° " bers.
Venezia:	- distretto
Latiana:	- deposito 26° rgt. ftr.
Mestre:	- deposito 71° rgt. ftr.
Vittorio V.:	- deposito 72° rgt. ftr.
Cervignano:	- deposito 73° rgt. ftr.
Palmanova:	(deposito 74° rgt. ftr. (" rgt. cav. Alessandria (" 23° rgt. a.d.f.
S.Giorgio di Nogaro:	(deposito 151° rgt. ftr.
S.Donà di Piave:	deposito 152° rgt. ftr.
Sacile:	(deposito 1° rgt. ftr. (distretto
Pordenone:	(deposito rgt. cav. Saluzzo (distretto
Udine:	(distretto (deposito 2° rgt. ftr. (" 8° " alp. (" rgt. cav. Piemonte Reale (" rgt. art. Eugenio di Savoia (" 11° rgt. genio (" 11° rgt. autieri
	(distretto

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S.Giorgio di Nogaro:	(	deposito 151° rgt. ftr.
S.Donà di Piave:		deposito 152° rgt. ftr.
Sacile:	(	deposito 1° rgt. ftr.
	(	distretto
Pordenone:	(	deposito rgt. cav. Saluzzo
	(	distretto
Udine:	(	distretto
	(	deposito 2° rgt. ftr.
	(	" 8° " alp.
	(	" rgt. cav. Piemonte Reale
	(	" rgt. art. Eugenio di Savoia
	(	" 11° rgt. genio
	(	" 11° rgt. autieri
Belluno:	(	distretto
	((	deposito 7° rgt. alp.
	(	" btg. alp. Belluno
	(	" 5° rgt. art. alp.
Trento:	(	distretto
	(	deposito 61° rgt. ftr.
	(	" 62° " "
	(	" 237° " "
	(	" 9° " " a.d.f.
	(	" 46° " art. Trento
	(	" 11° " alp.
	(	" btg. alp. "Trento"
	(	" 6° rgt. art. G.a.F.

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Bolzano: (distretto
(deposito 232° rgt. ftr.

Merano: (deposito 18° rgt. ftr.
(" 2° " art. alp.

Cormons: - deposito 50° rgt. ftr.

Cividale: (deposito 56° rgt. ftr.
(" btg. alp. Cividale

Gradisca: (deposito 11° rgt. bers.
(" 24° " ftr.

Tai di Cadore: - deposito btg. alp. Pieve di Teco

Feltre: - deposito btg. alp. Feltre

Gemona: (deposito btg. alp. Tolmezzo
(" " " Gemona

Motta di Livenza: - deposito 5° rgt. art. di C.A.

Riva del Garda: - deposito 5° rgt. art. di A.

Osoppo: - deposito 12° rgt. art. G.a.F.

Villa Vicentina: (deposito 5° rgt. genio
(" 2° " a.d.f.

Gorizia: (distretto
(deposito 23° rgt. ftr.
(" 9° " alp.
(" 6° " a.d.f.
(" 3° " art. alp.
(" 9° " " G.a.F.

Bassano: - deposito btg. alp. Bassano

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Tai di Cadore: - deposito btg. alp. Pieve di Teco

Feltre: - deposito btg. alp. Feltre

Gemona:
(deposito btg. alp. Tolmezzo
(" " " Gemona

Motta di Livenza: - deposito 5° rgt. art. di C.A.

Riva del Garda: - deposito 5° rgt. art. di A.

Osoppo: - deposito 12° rgt. art. G.a.F.

Villa Vicentina:
(deposito 5° rgt. genio
(" 2° " a.d.f.

Gorizia:
(distretto
(deposito 23° rgt. ftr.
(" 9° " alp.
(" 6° " a.d.f.
(" 3° " art. alp.
(" 9° " " G.a.F.

Bassano: - deposito btg. alp. Bassano

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Conegliano: - deposito 15° rgt. a.d.f.

Trieste:
(distretto
(deposito 12° rgt. ftr.
(" 10° " art. G.a.F.
(" 5° " autieri

Pola: - distretto

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Bologna:
(distretto
(deposito 35° rgt.ftr.
(" 6° " bers.
(" 3° " ftr.carr.
(" 3° " a.d.f.
(" 6° " genio
(" 6° " autieri

Modena:
(distretto
(deposito 36° rgt.ftr.
(" 6° rgt.art. di C.A.

Reggio E.:
(distretto
(deposito 49° rgt.ftr.
(" 3° rgt. art. di A.

Ravenna:
(distretto
(deposito 28° rgt.ftr.

Forlì:
(distretto
(deposito II° rgt.ftr.

Ferrara:
(distretto
(deposito rgt.cav. Firenze

Rovigo: (distretto

Rimini: - deposito 24° rgt.art.d.f.

Cesena: - deposito 27° rgt.ftr.

Pistoia:
(distretto
(deposito 83° rgt.ftr.

Apuania: - distretto

Sarzana: - deposito 21° rgt.ftr.

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(3° rgt.ftr di C.A.

Reggio E.: (distretto
(deposito 49° rgt.ftr.
(" 3° rgt. art. di A.

Ravenna: (distretto
(deposito 28° rgt.ftr.

Forlì: (distretto
(deposito II° rgt.ftr.

Ferrara: (distretto
(deposito rgt.cav. Firenze

Rovigo: (distretto

Rimini: - deposito 24° rgt.art.d.f.

Cesena: - deposito 27° rgt.ftr.

Pistoia: (distretto
(deposito 83° rgt.ftr.

Apuania: - distretto

Sarzana: - deposito 21° rgt.ftr.

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Subject: Italian Headquarters Florence

Army Sub Commission MMIA
Hq ACC
Rome
AQ/8
16 September 1944

To : Navy Sub Commission, ACC

Ref: Conversation this morning

1. No Italian Army Headquarters installation or other activity has been authorized for the city of Florence.

2. A screening detachment for enlisting patriots into the Army, and property detachment for locating and safeguarding Italian Army property, composed of Italian Army personnel is operating in the Fifth Army Area. Neither of these detachments has been authorized to establish any headquarters at any point, and so far as is known, neither of these detachments have been authorized by the Fifth Army to enter the city of Florence for any purpose. These detachments operate directly with Fifth Army, and under the general supervision of the MMIA Liaison Officer with the Fifth Army rear, Major Vam Kirk.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

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SUBJECT: Italian Hq. at Viterbo.

ARMY SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)
HQ ACC
ROME
AQ/8
15 September 1944

TO : Minister for War. 502

Reference your 300710/CA of 10 September. 487

1. Your reply to letter AQ/8 of 1st Sept. 1944 is not satisfactory. You were asked to advise details showing when, why and how this Hq was set up. It is expected that you will give this information without further delay.

2. No military headquarters, command or district will be authorized, organized, reactivated, or recognized until you comply with our letter AQ/8 of 29 August, in which you were told that such headquarters would be staffed only by civilians.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Army Sub Commission MMIA

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Ans. folio 513 of 5th Jackets.

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Subject:- Italian Adm. H.Q.s.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

ROME.

SD/7.
14 Sept. 44.

To :- All branches MMIA and all LOs.

1. Herewith, for your info, list of Italian adm H.Q.s and their areas of adm responsibility.

2. Each is responsible for the administration of all Italian units in Allied area shown in colum 'C', and each is under cond of the same Allied formation.

3. For adm purposes only and to co-ordinate channels of comm, these H.Q.s are under cond of the Italian H.Q.s shown in column 'D', which in their turn are responsible direct to War Ministry.

4.

A Adm H.Q.	B Location.	C Area.	D Co-ordinating H.Q.
209 Div Main	CHIETI	1 Dist	Del 'A'
209 Div Rear	VASTO	60 Sub Area (II Dist).	Del 'A'
228 Div H.Q.	JESI	8 Army.	Del 'A'
210 Div H.Q.	TAVERNELLE.	5 Army. (& 13 Br Corps)	Del 'T'
227 Div H.Q.	CAVA TIRRENI.	3 Dist.	Cdo Mil CAMPANIA.
Cdo Italiano 212.	NAPLES.	PDS	War Ministry direct.

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5. Delegazione 'A' (Gen DE STEFANIS) is located at CHIETI.

Delegazione 'T' (Gen DUPONT) is located at VITERBO.

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

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SUBJECT: Military District of Frosinone.

ARMY SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)
HQ ACC
BCMF
AG/8
14 September 1944.

TO : Ministry of War.

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Reference your 301010/C.A. of 11 September 1944.

1. There is no objection to the organization of the above district with a staff of one officer. Such officer will be carried in the Administrative troops, Category 1. It is understood that only one active member of the army will be employed on this work, the remainder of the staff being civilians.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC.

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Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q.A.C.C.
R O M E
I/109
4 Sept 44

SUBJECT: Boundaries

Ministry of War

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CONFIDENTIAL (.) Ref maps ITALY 1:250,000 (.) ONE (.) Distwo takes over cond provinces of TERAMO and AQUILA wef 0001 hrs 14 Sep (.) TWO (.) 60 Sub Area will take over cond this area wef same time (.) THREE (.) North Bdy DISTWO will then run from coast at (r) B9477 along North bdys of TERAMO and AQUILA provinces to join existing DISTHREE bdy at (r) G2085 (.) FOUR (.) Province of CAMPOBASSO will pass from under cond 60 Sub Area to under cond 54 Area wef 0001 hrs 16 Sep and is being incl in territory under cond 69 Grn (.)

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all A.Q. to see (S) 16/9

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W. Selby-Capr
for Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

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MAAF 462
FILE REF 8
DATE 14 9 44

From : Air Forces Sub Commission,ACC. Rome

To : HQ A.A.I.

Date : 13th September 1944

Ref. : AFSC/R/708/P1

ITALIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL. UNAUTHORISED WEARING OF UNIFORM

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Receipt is acknowledged of HQ AAI letter AAI/4-O-1/DCAO dated 23rd August 1944.

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J.WALTON,S/LDR
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TRANSLATION

From: M of W
To : MMIA

Ref: 301012/CA
Date: 11 9 44

Subject: Patriots in the Siena Area.

Re your AQ/8 dated Aug 30th last. 482

1. During the German occupation of Siena a HQ of a group of the M. AMIATA Bands was there formed under the command of Regular Lt. Col. Adalberto CROCE, under the control of HQ Central Italy Patriot Group this unit worked duringthe 10 months of German occupation under Allied orders transmitted via the Supreme Command. Allied planes supplied it with arms and ammunition. It operated under both the 5th and 8th Armies and some of the units of the Group were used by these armies for limited distance action and to maintain order in various towns as and when they were liberated.

2. This ministry has made no promise regarding the reorganization of the Group as regards its W.D. property and files of the Republican Mil. Commando Lt. Col Croce, who is a regular army officer of the Beisaglian, considered it advisable, on his own initiative, to proceed to the immediate recovery of the material and custody of the documents in order to avoid that valuable material and important documentation might fall into civilian hands. I must add that this recovery and custody was carried out on the spur of the moment by Army Officers belonging to Patriot formation immediately after the liberation of the towns only the aim explained above and due to the absence of official representatives of the Central Militare Authorities.

3. As regards the authority granted to send small units to the Armies in order to recruit volunteers, screen military personnel and recover documents and material belonging to the Italian Army, I would point out that only some of these are at present working. Detachments 2, 3 and 6 have met with difficulities in the fulfillment of their duties, caused by the Allies to such an extent that they are still marking time in Rome. In this respect SMRE have already approached MMIA. The detachments which have left are working in accordance with the instructions issued by the Allies.

4. I agree with MMIA that it is necessary to avoid bands of patriots continuing to exist after liberation of the territory without proper orders from the central authority. I can assure you, though, that if such bands exist they have not been authorized either officially or otherwise by this Ministry.

Patriot formations have been used exclusively under specific orders issued by Allied Div HQs or by Allied Authorities (Mil & Police) having control of the area.

Nevertheless in these cases they are always Patriot formations and not private armies which have appeared during the German occupation.

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It would seem to be advisable to deal with this subject of Patriot bands in such a way that its army officers could act in accordance with instructions from MMIA. Advanced detachments of Cersa and Cerseti could be used for this purpose, provided their duties and relationship with operational Commands were clearly stipulated in order that said Commands could intervene in order to enforce the instructions given by MMIA.

5. As regards the remarks contained in Section 5 para (1) of the letter referred to I would point out that no authority, agreement or promise has been made by this Ministry to any band, unit or group of patriots.

I can assure you that it is in the interests of It. Mil. Authorities to follow the directive and instructions issued by MMIA on the subject.

The Minister

/s/ Casati.

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(Sgd) CASATI.

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Ministero della Guerra

GABINETTO

nº 301012 /C.A. P.M.151, 11 settembre 1944

OGGETTO : Patrioti della zona di Siena.-
Patriots in the Siena zone

M.M.I.A. FILE REF Doc. Recd AQ 8 B/91

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
- M.M.I.A. -

ROMA

Riferimento lettera n. AQ/8 in data 30 agosto u.s.

1°)- In Siena, durante l'occupazione tedesca, si costituì clandestinamente un comando raggruppamento bande M. Amiata al comando del ten.col.in s.p.e. Adalberto CROCE.

Dipendendo dal comando raggruppamento patrioti dell'Italia centrale operò durante i dieci mesi di occupazione tedesca agli ordini degli alleati tramite Comando Supremo. Fu rifornito di armi e munizioni con apparecchi alleati. Operò, quindi, con la 5ª e con l'8ª armata le quali risulta si siano servite di reparti del raggruppamento per azioni a raggio limitato e per assicurare l'ordine nei vari centri urbani via via liberati.

2°)- Nessuna promessa di ricostituzione organica del raggruppamento è stata fatta da questo Ministero. Per quanto riguarda materiali di pertinenza del R.Esercito ed archivi dei comandi militari repubblicani il Ten.Col.Croce, che è ufficiale in s.p.e. dei bersaglieri, ritenne opportuno provvedere di iniziativa all'immediato recupero dei materiali ed alla custodia dei documenti per evitare che costosi materiali ed importanti incartamenti cadessero in mani di civili. Aggiungo che quest'opera di recupero e custodia in molte località è stata assunta d'iniziativa subito dopo la libe-

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3°)- Per quanto concerne la concessa autorizzazione di inviare nuclei di personale presso le armate con il compito di arruolare volontari, censire il personale militare e reperire documenti e materiali del R.Esercito italiano rappresento che di quelli previsti solo una parte sono in funzione. I distaccamenti 2 - 3 - 6 hanno incontrato da parte delle autorità alleate difficoltà per l'esercizio del loro compito talchè sono ancora in sosta a Roma. Al riguardo lo Stato Maggiore ha già interessato codesta A.S.C.- I distaccamenti partiti operano in conformità delle disposizioni alleate.

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4°)- Concordo con codesta A.S.C. che è necessario evitare il fatto che bande di patrioti arbitrariamente - cioè senza ordini della autorità centrale - vengano mantenute in vita dopo la liberazione del territorio. Assicuro però che se tali bande sono mantenute in vita ciò non avviene per ordini nè ufficiali nè ufficiosi del Ministero.

Le formazioni patriottiche sono state utilizzate esclusivamente per ordini specifici delle grandi unità alleate operanti o per disposizioni di autorità alleate (militari o di polizia) aventi giurisdizione nelle zone avanzate.

Si tratta però sempre di formazioni patriottiche e non di armate private,che sono sorte durante il periodo di occupazione tedesca.

Sembrerebbe opportuno che la questione delle bande patrioti venisse disciplinata in modo che ufficiali del R.Esercito agissero in questo campo in conformità delle determinazioni di codesta A.S.C. - E a ciò potrebbero servire i distaccamenti avanzati di Cersa e Cerseti, purchè ne fossero chiaramente fissati i compiti e le relazioni coi comandi operanti, perchè essi potessero realmente intervenire per far attuare le disposizioni di codesta Sottocommissione.

5°)- Per quanto riguarda,infine,l'argomento di cui al capo 5°paragrafo (1) della lettera in riferimento preciso che nessuna autorizzazione o accordo o promessa è stata fatta da questo Ministero a bande, reparti e raggruppamenti di patrioti.

Assicuro che è interesse stesso dell'autorità militare italiana seguire le direttive e le disposizioni che in questo particolare campo emana codesta A.S.C.-

IL MINISTRO

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SUBJ... 541 and 543 Service Coys

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
SD/2
12 Sep 44

Ministry of War

Copy to:- H.Q. A.C.C.

1. No's 541 and 543 Service Coys are no longer required by H.Q., A.C.C. for Col LOKF.

2. Strengths are approximately 120 each.

3. At present both Coys are located at CIVITAVECCHIA.

4. Arrangements have been made by this HQ that both Coys will be taken over by P.B.S. and assigned to them.

5. PBS will arrange collection within 1 or 2 days.

6. On being taken over by PBS the Coys formerly known as 541 and 543 Service Coys will be dissolved and absorbed into 212 Division.

7. After collection by PBS

(a) these Coys will no longer be shown on strength returns.

(b) authority for drawing rations from RGME Depot will cease.

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for Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC.

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To see ~~Hdt Shaftsbury~~
~~Major Rodd~~

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Translation

From al of W
to M M I A

Ref N° 301010/CA
Dated 11 sept 44

Formation of a district nucleus at Frosinone

Following the grave economical situation of a great n° of families (approx 11000) of fallen, missing and P.o.W. Military personel, in the Frosinone area which as suffered badly from effects of battle. We have decided that we must start the payments due to those families by the medium of a Military district.

For this purpose I have authorised the reorganisation in this town of a District nucleus which will ~~A~~54 a superior officer i/c and the rest of the staff will be civilians.

Considering the delicateness of the question and the urgent necessity to provide help to those families we beg [illegible] to the organisation of A/m nucleus.

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the urgent necessity to provide help to those families, We beg
you to assent to the organization of A/m Nucleus.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 30010 /C.A. P.M. 151 li 11 settembre 1941

OGGETTO: funzionamento di un nucleo distrettuale di Frosinone.
Functioning of a district nucleus at Frosinone
(Payment of temporary family allowances of military

M.M.I.A.
FILE REF 16
Date Recd 12/9/1

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
ROMA

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In seguito all'aggravarsi della situazione economica di molte famiglie (circa 11.000) di militari caduti, dispersi e prigionieri della zona di Frosinone, particolarmente colpita dalle vicende belliche, ho disposto che fossero iniziati i pagamenti degli assegni dovuti a cura del distretto militare.

A tale scopo ho autorizzato la riorganizzazione in quella città di un nucleo distrettuale dove sarà impiegato un ufficiale superiore e rimanente personale civile.

Considerata la delicatezza della questione e la necessità gente che ha provocato il provvedimento adottato prego sanzionare

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p. IL MINISTRO

Gen. Alexander

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 091.112/079 OCT-O

10 September 1944

SUBJECT: Organization - Military Mission Italian Army.

TO: All Concerned.

1. In order to conform to the policy of administrative reorganization in Italy, MMIA will come under the command of Allied Force Headquarters, effective 10 September 1944.

2. a. It is the intention that Allied Force Headquarters will eventually take over the responsibility for implementing the plans for the organisation of the Italian Army drawn up by AAI/NATOUSA.

b. For the present, and until further orders, HQ AAI will continue to deal directly with HQ MMIA regarding the organization of combatant formations and units, subject to general directions issued by Allied Force Headquarters.

3. In order that American and British requirements for administrative or service personnel generally may be coordinated, all questions regarding the organisation of service units will be referred to Allied Force Headquarters for approval.

4. a. Decisions regarding priorities as between combat and service troops will be decided by Allied Force Headquarters, after consultation with HQ AAI.

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b. In order to assist in the implementation of the plans of HQ AAI, representatives from G-3, Allied Force Headquarters, will be attached to HQ AAI until further orders.

5. For matters pertaining to supply and administration of the Italian Military Forces, MMIA will maintain two liaison officers (one U.S. and one British) with Allied Force Headquarters.

6. All existing directives, letters of instruction and communications of a similar nature from this headquarters or HQ AAI

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6. All existing directives, letters of instruction and communications of a similar nature from this headquarters or HQ AAI, relative to establishment, operation and procedure of MMIA will remain effective until amended or rescinded.

7. Separate instructions will be issued defining :

a. The procedure to be adopted under the new Supply Plan.

b. The subjects on which MMIA will deal directly with HQ AAI.

By command of General WILSON:

(sgd) R.H.CHRISTIE
Colonel, AGD.
Acting Adjutant General

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AQ/8 (52)

From MMIA
to

Translation

Ref N° 300710/CA

Date 10 sept 44

Italian HQ of Viterbo

Ref letter AQ/8 of the 1 of sept 1944 — 487

The territorial military circumscription before the war was established according to the law on the constitution of the Royal Italian Army. This law which up to now has not been altered states that some territorial units that outlived during the Period of the republican government are actualy existing because on initiative of each of the above mentionned units, at the moment of the liberation of their locality those unit changed the Republican Personel for elements of the Military administration (Royal).

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(2) In the case of Viterbo. We have been informed
that in that locality a command has been
formed for the purposes of controling the various
units (2) the payement of pensions to families of
Missing Prisoners and of the dead. (3) the
salvage of material and the safe keeping of file.—

(K) See folio 504 & 513. 514 Jackets.

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The o/c of Corps brought recently to our notice that he has given orders to that command to reduce general administration and particularly to release from the Army a certain quantity of military personel, to make a comporte depot. out of the 3 existing depots in to give back the Buildings to civilian Authorities.

In order to take action according to the instruction issued by MMIA I beg you to authorise, in Viterbo, the formation of a unit depending from the military admin. to work with the military district and carry out the following duties.

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be choosen from those officer who are waiting
to be employed and who are residing in
that town.

Sign. Oscilia.

Rettamfred

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

AAI 8

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 200/10 /C.A. P.M. 151 li 10 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: Comando italiano in Viterbo.
Italian Hq Viterbo

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
ROMA

1) - Riferimento lettera n.AQ/8 del I° corrente. 1 Sep

La circoscrizione militare territoriale italiana ante guerra era stabilita dalla legge sull'ordinamento del R.Esercito. Per effetto di tale legge, sinora non modificata con altre disposizioni legislative, taluni enti territoriali, che sopravvissero durante il regime pseudo repubblicano, sono virtualmente ancora in vita, in quanto che per iniziativa dei singoli, all'atto della liberazione della località sede di tali enti venne sostituito il personale repubblicano con elementi della R.Amministrazione militare.

2) - Nel caso specifico di Viterbo era giunta notizia a questo Ministero che in quella località si era costituito un comando allo scopo di di-

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OGGETTO: Comando italiano in Viterbo.
Italian Hq. Viterbo

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
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2) - Nel caso specifico di Viterbo era giunta notizia a questo Ministero che in quella località si era costituito un comando allo scopo di disciplinare nei vari enti: il pagamento assegni alle famiglie dei dispersi, prigionieri e caduti, il recupero dei materiali e la custodia degli archivi.

Il Comandante di Cerseti, recatosi recentemente in posto informò che aveva dato disposizioni a quel comandante in senso restrittivo ed in particolare: collocamento in congedo di aliquota del personale militare, contrazione di tre depositi in un unico deposito misto, restituzione di locali all'autorità civile.

3) - Per normalizzare la questione secondo le direttive di codesta A.S.C.

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prego di autorizzare la costituzione in Viterbo di un ente alle dipendenze dell'amministrazione militare, coincidente con il nucleo distretto militare, per l'assolvimento dei compiti: amministrativi, recupero e custodia dei materiali stralcio dell'attività del deposito misto. Organico: come indicato da codesta A.S.C. con lettera AQ/8 del 29 agosto u.s.- Temporaneamente sarebbe incaricato della organizzazione del nucleo un ufficiale superiore in s.p.e. da trarre da quelli attualmente in attesa di impiego residente in quella città.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Generale G.B. OXILIA)

G. Oxilia

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from: MOST
to: MMIA

Translation
ref 12115/CA
Sept 9, 44

Subject: Cancelling of concessions on the use of civilian clothes while on duty.

Referring to letter 49/8 dated August 4432. 6,44, herewith copy of the circular ref. 300429/CA dated August 30, 44 concerning the measures taken by this Ministry to cancel some concessions on the use of civilian clothes.-

OXILIA.

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from MOW
to: See addressees

ref. 300429/CA
August 30, 44

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OXILIA.

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from MOWS
to : See addressees

ref. 200.429/CA
August 30, 44

Subject: Cancelling of some concessions on the use of civilian clothes while on duty.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

M.M.I.A. FILE REF A12/8 Date Recd 10/9/44

N. di prot. 12115 /C.A. P.M. 151 li 9 settembre 1944

Cancelling of concessions on the wear of
OGGETTO: Revoca di alcune concessioni circa l'uso dell'abito civile durante l'orario di servizio.
civilian clothes while on Duty

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
R O M A

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Translation

Ref: 00429/CA.
Date: 30.8.44

From: M. of W.
To: Circular
Subject: Repealing of some concessions regarding the use of civilian clothes during duty hours.

By agreement with the Allied Authorities, bearing in mind the State of War, all concessions regarding the use of civilian clothes during hours of duty, ~~referred to~~ by certain categories of Military, referred to in Art 188, para 1. Sect. 10 of "Uniform regulations".

The following exceptions are granted: Mutilated or invalided out officers reinstated, who may wear civilian clothes during hours of duty when so authorised by their Corps Commanders or Departmental Chiefs and those military who may authorised by this Ministry from time to time for special reasons.

Regulations contained in the subsequent Art 189 and 190 of the a/m "Uniform Regulations" dealing with obligatory use of civilian clothes and forbidding the use of civilian clothes respectively remain unchanged.

For the guidance of the addressees a complete ~~copy~~ of the a/m ~~Sect~~ Section 10 of Art. 188 is attached.

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The Minister
(Sgd) A. CASATI.

JSFC

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Translation

"Uniform Regulation - 1931"

Section 10.

Civilian Clothes

1. Optional use of civilian clothes.

188 - Civilian clothes may be worn -

a) By generals, during p.m. hours any day of the year, except in the field and on maneuvers, or when during the p.m. hours they to receive a pay duty calls, they have to receive officers for official meetings, they have to go before troops or visit premises occupied by troops or when they take part in ceremonies to which they have been invited by reason of their rank or employment.

Generals as above may use civilian clothes during a.m. hours when not on duty.

b) Officers members of Parliament when attending sittings.

c) Medical and Veterinary officers, off duty, during p.m. hours, and even on duty, if they should have to go to barracks or elsewhere as a result of an urgent call, for an unforeseen or similar case, for services not included in working hours nor for which a precedent exists.

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d) Medical officers attached to Mil Hospitals, Convalescent Depots, Garrison Sick Bays or Special M.I Rooms (excluding in each case duty or inspecting M.O.) inside ~~the~~ bounding such premises for the afternoon round.

e) Medical or Veterinary officers attached to offices during the afternoon.

f) Officers on leave, awaiting posting, available or in transit abroad.

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2. Obligatory use of civilian clothes.

188.- Civilian clothes must be worn by:-

a) military abroad except as stipulated by Military Discipline Regulations for the Army.

b) officers temporarily unemployed, during the period of non-employment, except when they have to meet Mil. Authorities on duty.

c) 2nd. Lt. Band masters and regular army musicians, provided they have authority from their C.O., when they play under private contract in public premises.

d) O.R's on normal out leave, or those who whilst on leave carry out agricultural labour or any other art, profession or craft whatsoever.

3. The use of civilian clothes is forbidden:-

a) to all military not included in any of the above categories, whatsoever their duties may be, even if employed by non-military authorities.

b) [illegible] ranks and the

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b) employees granted Mil. rank and the use of uniform when in the field, on manoevers, etc.

c) Musicians when attending as a body public concerts as military bandsmen.

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g) Officers having a special authority granted by the M of W, under the circumstances and with the limitation stipulated in the authority.

h) all officers residing in the larger centres, according to instructions issued from time to time by the Garrison Commander, during Carnaval, at Balls and other similar circumstances

i) W.O + Senior NCO's during leave, 2/Lts. during leave if spending it away from their Station.

j) NCO's + OR's, during travelling time to + from leave, provided they hold Travelling warrant or are in possession of the written authority issued by their C.O. on travelling documents.

m) The under-mentioned military if in possession of special authority issued by C.O. of:

- 2nd Lts. band masters & 2nd Lts. Fencing masters, when off duty.

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- 2nd Lts. band masters & 2nd Lts. Fencing
masters, when off duty.
- Mutilated & invalid officers re-admitted for duty.
- Chiefs of W/s, Armories, Foremen (except during
parades, ~~&~~ full scale manoeuvers or when
attached to troops on the march or in ops)
- Musicians on strength (when off duty)

n) Generals' batmen, if authorised by said generals
(and authority reported to unit) provided they sleep
and feed out of barracks.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto

N° 300429/G.A. P.M.107, 30 agosto 1944

OGGETTO : Revoca di alcune concessioni circa l'uso dell'abito civile durante l'orario di servizio.-

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AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA	P.M.120
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA	P.M. 50
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AL MINISTERO DELLA MARINA — R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA — R O M A
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.MARINA — R O M A
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AL COMANDO DELL'ALTO COMMISSARIO PER I PRIGIONIERI DI GUERRA — R O M A
ALL'ISPETTORATO ARMA DEI CARABINIERI — R O M A
ALL'ISPETTORATO ARMA DEL GENIO — R O M A

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In accordo con le autorità alleate, dato lo stato di guerra, sono abrogate le concessioni relative all'uso dell'abito civile durante l'orario di servizio, contemplate per alcune categorie di militari di cui al n.18 - paragrafo 1° - capo X del "Regolamento sull'uniforme".

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Fanno eccezione gli ufficiali mutilati ed invalidi riassunti in servizio, i quali potranno vestire l'abito civile durante l'orario di servizio, quando ne abbiano autorizzazione dal rispettivo comandante di corpo o capo servizio, ed i militari che saranno di volta in volta autorizzati per motivi speciali da questo Ministero.

Rimangono invariate le norme previste ai successivi numeri 189 e 190 del predetto "Regolamento sull'uniforme", riguardanti rispettivamente l'uso obbligatorio dell'abito civile ed il divieto dell'abito civile.

Per norma degli enti in indirizzo viene allegata copia integrale del predetto capo X, oggetto delle varianti di cui sopra.

IL MINISTRO
F.to A. Casati

p. c. c.
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col. di S.M. E. De Michelis)

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GABINETTO

" REGOLAMENTO SULL'UNIFORME - EDIZIONE 1931 "

CAPO X

- A B I T O C I V I L E -

§ 1 - Uso facoltativo dell'abito civile

108 - Possono vestire l'abito civile:

a) gli ufficiali generali, nelle ore pomeridiane di qualsiasi giorno dell'anno, eccetto che si trovino a campi e manovre, oppure che nelle ore sopradette facciano o ricevano visite di dovere, ricevano ufficiali riuniti per servizio, si presentino a truppe o visitino locali occupati da truppe, oppure prendano parte a cerimonie alle quali sono invitati in considerazione del grado o della carica che rivestono.

Gli ufficiali generali in soprannumero possono vestire l'abito civile anche nelle ore antimeridiane quando non abbiano da compiere servizi;

b) gli ufficiali membri del Parlamento nazionale, quando intervengono alle sedute;

c) gli ufficiali dei corpi sanitario e veterinario, fuori servizio nelle ore pomeridiane, ed anche in servizio, qualora debbano recarsi in caserma, o dovunque, in seguito a chiamata urgente, per casi improvvisi od in genere, per i servizi non previsti dall'orario, nè prescritti in precedenza;

d) gli ufficiali del corpo sanitario addetti ad ospedali militari, depositi di convalescenza, infermerie di presidio o speciali (esclusi in ogni caso gli ufficiali medici d'ispezione o di guardia), nell'interno di tali stabilimenti per la visita del pomeriggio;

e) gli ufficiali dei corpi sanitario e veterinario addetti ad uffici nelle ore del pomeriggio;

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f) gli ufficiali in licenza, in aspettativa, in disponibilità od in missione all'estero;

g) gli ufficiali che ne abbiano speciale autorizzazione dal ministero della guerra, con le modalità e limitazioni che sono stabilite nell'autorizzazione stessa;

h) tutti gli ufficiali di residenza nei maggiori centri secondo le

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h) tutti gli ufficiali di residenza nei maggiori centri, secondo le disposizioni che darà, volta per volta, il comandante del presidio, durante il carnevale, nei veglioni ed in altre consimili circostanze;

i) i marescialli e sergenti maggiori durante la licenza; i sergenti durante la licenza in località diversa dalla residenza di servizio;

l) i sottufficiali e militari di truppa, nei viaggi che compiono per recarsi e tornare dalla licenza, purchè siano in possesso del libretto ferroviario di viaggio, ovvero ne abbiano autorizzazione scritta rilasciata dal comandante di corpo sui documenti di viaggio;

m) i militari sotto indicati quando ne abbiano speciale autorizzazione dal rispettivo comandante di corpo o capo di servizio;

- i sottotenenti maestri direttori di banda o sottotenenti maestri di scherma, fuori servizio;
- ufficiali mutilati od invalidi riassunti in servizio;
- capi officina, capi armaiuoli e capi operai (tranne nelle riviste, nelle grandi esercitazioni e quando sono addetti a truppe in marcia o mobilitate);
- musicanti effettivi, fuori servizio;

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n) gli attendenti di ufficiali generali, quando ne abbiano l'autorizzazione dallo stesso ufficiale generale (comunicata al corpo interessato), e sempre quando pernottino fuori caserma e non convivano al fan-

§ 2. Uso obbligatorio dell'abito civile

18) - Debbono vestire l'abito civile:

a) i militari all'estero salvo le eccezioni previste dal regolamento di disciplina militare per il R. Esercito;

b) gli ufficiali sospesi dall'impiego, durante il periodo di tempo in cui permangono nella suddetta posizione, salvo i casi in cui essi debbano avere rapporti con le autorità militari per ragioni di servizio;

c) i sottotenenti maestri direttori di banda e i musicanti effettivi, previa autorizzazione del comandante del corpo, quando si rechino a dirigere o a suonare per proprio conto in luoghi di pubblico spettacolo;

d) i militari di truppa in licenza di convalescenza, in seguito a rassegna, e quelli che, fruendo di licenza, attendono a lavori di campagna od all'esercizio di qualsiasi arte, professione o mestiere.

§ 3. Divieto dell'uso dell'abito civile

19) - E' proibito l'uso dell'abito civile:

a) ai militari che non si trovino in alcuno dei casi indicati ai paragrafi precedenti, qualunque sia lo speciale servizio al quale sono addetti anche se alla diretta dipendenza di autorità estranea all'esercito;

b) agli impiegati con assimilazione di grado od autorizzati a vestire l'uniforme militare, quando siano in campagna, ai campi manovre ecc.;

c) ai musicanti quando intervengano in corpo, con la musica militare, a suonare in luogo pubblico.

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SUBJECT:- Organisation of A.A.I.

Adv Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy

25/G(Ops)

9 Sep 44

1. A.F.H.Q. are assuming adm and operational control of the islands of SICILY and SARDINIA and on the mainland of ITALY in the area South of the Northern boundaries of the provinces of TERAMO, RIETI and VITERBO with effect from 0001 hrs 10 Sep.

2. The Order of Battle of troops and HQs passing from command A.A.I. to that of A.F.H.Q. is being issued separately.

3. H.Q., A.A.I. Operation Instruction No. 66 is cancelled and a revised Operation Instruction on boundaries is being issued.

Lieutenant General,
Chief of General Staff.

PDM/SH

DISTRIBUTION

FIFTH ARMY	ROME AREA
EIGHTH ARMY	AFHQ
5 CORPS	MAAF
2 AA BDE	MATAF
62 AA BDE	TAF (ITALY)
66 AA BDE	FOWIT
203 FIXED DEFENCES	FOTALI
1 DISTRICT	A.C.C.
2 DISTRICT	List 'A'
3 DISTRICT	List 'C'
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Subject: Release - Allied Items for Combat Cps etc.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

9 Sep 44

To: ALL MMIA LO's

1. From time to time releases are obtained for Allied stores which are outside normal MMIA Control. These release are forwarded to the appropriate MMIA Liaison Officer concerned for action.

2. Liaison Officers will report to this HQ when such stores (e.g. vehicles, various training equipments, etc) have been drawn against these releases. This will enable the correct records to be maintained at HQ. MMIA.

F J Noakes

FJN/hh

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

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Subject: Main Depots - ITALIAN Army.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AG/8

9 Sep 44

To: A.F.H.Q.
for G4 (Lt.Col.LIBBY)

I forward herewith a list of all main Italian Army Depots.

These are the main depots operated by the Ministry of War and does not include small stores of the "Unit Store" type operated by the various units for breaking bulk etc.

CLAYTON P.KERR Colonel.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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Subject: Military Comd of Lazio, Umbria and Abruzzi.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

8 Sep 44

To: MINISTER OF WAR

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Reference 300471/CA of 31 Aug.

1. The transformation of the Rome Territorial Comd with the new Military Comd will be considered immediately the Adm strength has been reduced to the correct ceiling of 27,000.

2. Will you please bring forward this matter when the 27,000 ceiling is effective.

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

FJN/hh

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Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
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8 Sep 44

H.Q.,A.A.I.

Ref. attached. I see no objection but I think you ought perhaps to see it.

Do you approve, please ?

L.B.

Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

LB/hh

See folio 510 + 511
S.K. Jackal.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

EWS/hjp

7 September 1944

TO: General Browning, Army Sub-Commission, Hq ACC

1. The Italian General Staff has proposed the issuance of a proclamation which will declare all of the Mainland an "operation zone" within the meaning of Italian law. The reasons for the issuance of the proposed proclamation are set forth in the attached aide-memoire.

2. I can see no objection to this, and if you concur, will so advise the Italian Government.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Acting Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
Personal memo to
Captain Stone

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

7 September 1943

The General Staff, Army Sub-Commission, Fq AGC

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2. I can see no objection to this, and if you concur, will so advise the Italian Government.

For the Chief Commissioner:

HARRY H. ARNOLD
Captain, AGD
Acting Chief Commissioner

(K.A.)

SAG 121

To: Hq AFHQ Sec'y Gen.
DISPATCHED
Date-Time 7 Sept 1430
Via Dispatch
Initials JD

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Personal

MEMO TO CAPTAIN STONE

The areas of liberated Italy still considered "operation zones" are those which had been proclaimed such before September 8th, 1943. They include Sicily, Calabria etc. up to the provinces of Naples, Benevento and Foggia included.

On the other hand, the areas in which actual fighting is now taking place are not considered "operation zones". This leads to the absurd consequence that for instance a member of the Italian Armed Forces stationed in Palermo draws (or should, at least, legitimately draw) higher wages, have more career advantages etc., than another man in the same conditions now fighting or working near Pisa or Florence.

CIL troops on the battlefront do draw the so-called "operations indemnity" (roughly amounting to half the total pay, or more), but they really draw it illegitimately, because Sicily or Apulia are considered "operation zones", Ancona or Pesaro are not !

Logically, the whole situation ought to be completely reversed ; but owing to economic reasons, mainly in order not to cut down abruptly the wages of military personnel in the South of about 50 %, the General Staff proposed to simply extend the "operation zone" to the whole of the liberated territory.

The scheme is therefore of a purely economic nature ; it merely aims to regularise an abnormal situation.

It has been stressed that it would only refer to the regular Armed Forces, and that it would not affect the status of partisans, or lead to their inclusion in the regular Army.

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Italian Combat Force - Clothing and Personal Equipment.

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

7 Sep 44

The att instruction has been issued to the Italian Ministry of War.

All requests by Italian Formations of the Combat Force for items of clothing or equipment from Allied sources will be referred to HQ MMIA.

F.J.Noakes

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

FJN/hh

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

Subject: Italian Combat Force - Clothing and Personal Equipment.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. The maintenance of the Gruppi di Combattimento while they are being reorganised and trained in the use of British Equipment remains an ITALIAN responsibility.

2. As each Group reaches a satisfactory state of training it is proposed to transfer it to British administration and make a complete issue of British clothing and personal equipment.

3. For the present therefore you are to ensure that every effort is made to cloth and equip these units as necessary with items of ITALIAN origin from the stocks under your control. No issue of Allied clothing and equipment will be made from MMIA controlled stocks. Certain assistance in the supply of boots may be given should you so request.

4. You will be notified in advance of the date on which the transfer is to take place, so that arrangements for withdrawal and transfer of Italian items can be made. It is not expected that this will take place, in the case of the first group, before mid October.

5. In view of the above, you will appreciate the vital necessity of developing your repair programme with the greatest energy and speed.

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Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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Subject: Italian HQ VITERBO.

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC
Rome
AG/8
September 1944

To : Minister for War

1. No reply has been received to letter of this Headquarters dated 1 September. It is desired that a reply be made without further delay.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

CPK/lak

See folio 503

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Subject: Italian A A Units

Army Sub Commission MMIA
Hq AAC
Rome
AQ/S
September 1944

TO : Headquarters AAI

attached.

Ref: AAI Letter 1605/50/20 (SD1).

1. The following comments are made:

a) Clothing: The 145th AA Group is as well clothed as any units of the Italian Army. The supply procedure contemplates that Italian units will submit indents through Italian Army Channels. Invariably, when Italian Commanders submit indents for items in excess of the scale, the indent is not approved by the superior Italian Commander. The Italian Army is poor, and has been on a poverty basis, and even some items of clothing authorized by the Combined Chiefs of Staff have not been available for issue. Allied Commanders can assist by seeing that Italian Troops under their command indent for, and make the best possible use of such equipment as is available. Even if all issues were on full scale as provided by the Combined Chiefs of Staff, Italian Army scale cannot be compared with Allied scale or the scale for Cooperators. However, the scale authorized and now available for issue is adequate for all needs of the Italian Army.

b) Rations: The scale of rations is prescribed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff and consists of three parts: The imported items, the items provided by the Italian Minister for War and the items purchased by the local Commander from a cash allowance provided each unit by the Italian Minister for War. Operations troops working in the forward areas are on this scale of rations as are all Italian Troops. It is suggested that Allied Officers having Italian units under their command insist that the Italian Commanders provide the rations authorized for the Italian Army. No further action can be taken to increase rations for any particular unit of the Italian Army. The ration scale provided by the Combined Chiefs of Staff for All Italian Troops is considered adequate.

c) Pay: The Italian Army Troops are paid by the Italian Government. Cooperators are paid by the Allies.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

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Ministero delle Corporazioni

Roma 194 A.

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Allegati

Risposta al f.° N.°
del

OGGETTO

Col Kerr

This is AAI's official request for our comments
on Brig. Raiher's letter

3 Sept

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SD 21.0

SUBJECT: Italian AA Units.

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.
Tel : FILPOT 73.
1605/50/2G(SD1).
31 Aug 44.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.

Reference conversation Dobbs ~~Butterworth~~ - Morgan 30 Aug 44.

1. Copies of AFHQ letter AG 091.711/011 GCT-O dated 10 Aug 44 and 73 AA Bde letter No 84 dated 3 Aug 44 are attached.

2. Please forward your comments so that a reply may be sent to AFHQ.

3. This HQ letter 1605/50/27/G(SD1) dated 18 Aug deals with the condition of Italian Smoke Coys, and is relevant to the present case.

Fo. 150 in SD/21.

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

Maj Dobbs.

1. Complaint No: 2 (one) has been already entitled Coys of Fo: 150 in SD/21.

2. I think you should initiate action on the A.A. complaint

Fo 6928

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

S: 24 August 1944

AG 091.711/011 GCT-O

10 August 1944

SUBJECT : Administration - Italian Units on Allied Program.

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

1. Reference is made to attached copy of letter from Commander, 73d Antiaircraft Brigade to Military Mission to Italian Army Representative, 56 Area, dated 3 August 1944 (Reference Number 84).

2. A similar complaint concerning the administration of certain Italian Smoke Companies was forwarded to you by letter, this headquarters, file AG 091.711/011 GCT-O, dated 2 August 1944.

3. It is desired that the appropriate authorities concerned be requested to investigate these two complaints, and that this headquarters be notified of the results, and of any action taken to improve conditions of the personnel.

By command of General WILSON:

Not possessed

H.V.ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

1 Incl
Cy of ltr, fr Comd. 73d AA Brig. to MMIA Rep, 56 Area, dtd 3 Aug 44 (Ref No 84)

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CONFIDENTIAL. Copy for A.A.I.

Subject:- Administration - Italian Units on Allied Programme

M.M.I.A. Representative,
H.Q., 56 Area. (2)

CONFIDENTIAL

No. 84

1. Various conversations have been held between my staff Captain and yourself regarding the administration of 145 A.A. Gruppo (Italian Army).

2. Whilst I do not wish to comment adversely on the efforts being made to improve the lot of 145 A.A. Gruppo I am bound to remark that I am profoundly concerned at the conditions of service under which this unit is expected to operate.

3. The operational efficiency of any unit depends on the standard of morale obtaining in that unit and unless the personnel feel their services merit and gain reasonable reward their efficiency must deteriorate to an extent where they are no longer worth employing.

4. Such a deterioration is rapidly being reached by 145 A.A. Gruppo through lack of : -

(a) Adequate clothing.

(b) Adequate rations.

(c) Adequate pay.

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5. The question of clothing is, I know, being dealt with by your branch but I cannot stress too strongly the need for all possible speed. As soon as I am informed from where the clothing is to be obtained and am given the necessary Release Note I am prepared to send for it whatever the distance involved.

6. In this connection it is relevant to comment on the fact that the scale authorised for 145 A.A.Gruppo is considerably lower than that authorised in Chapter VI, para 53, of the pamphlet "Administration of Italian P.W. Co-operators in British Hands". This differentiation is well known to personnel of 145 A.A.Gruppo and is NOT conducive to high morale.

7. To date the scale of rations has been insufficient to enable 145 A.A. Gruppo to carry out any intensive training. Whether the revised scale will provide the nesessary increase remains to be seen. Even the new scale, in my opinion,

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7. To date the scale of rations has been insufficient to enable 145 A.A. Gruppo to carry out any intensive training. Whether the revised scale will provide the necessary increase remains to be seen. Even the new scale, in my opinion, compares very unfavourably with a normal British ration or the scale authorised for Co-operators (vide Chapter VII, para 56, of the above quoted pamphlet). In addition no authority exists for Italian units to buy E.F.I. items (even if they had the money to pay for them) whereas E.F.I. supplies are available under the same conditions as for British troops (less Schedules B and D) to Italian Co-operators (vide Chapter X, para 74, of pamphlet referred to).

8. The question of pay is a particularly sore point. Personnel of 145 A.A. Gruppo are receiving pay at the rate of 252 lire per month (4 weeks) whereas, a Co-operator, an ex-Prisoner of War, receives under G.R.O. 532/44 Schedule C(c) a credit of 600 lire per month with an additional credit of 80 lire per month for proficiency. He is allowed to draw approximately three quarters of this in cash (i.e. 450 lire per month). Such a discrepancy is manifestly unfair.

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9. I have gained the impression, perhaps erroneously, that the Italian Army authorities at PALERMO either do NOT know to what 145 A.A.Gruppo are entitled or are NOT interested. In either case there can be no doubt that 145 A.A.Gruppo are extremely disappointed at the treatment they are receiving and that their original pleasure and enthusiasm at being selected to join the Allied Cause is being damped.

10. I enclose herewith for your perusal copies of various letters (in Italian) written by O.C. 145 A.A.Gruppo to the Artillery Military Command of SICILY. It would appear that the Italian authorities at PALERMO need considerable advice and guidance.

11. To summarise, it appears to me that this Italian unit which has joined the Allied War Effort in the field is NOT being treated in anything approaching the same manner as Italian Co-operators who, after all, are nothing more than Prisoners of War. I would appreciate your comments on the points raised above, more especially on the prospects of any immediate amelioration of the present state of affairs in order that I may be in a position to make an appreciation of the future efficacy of 145 A.A.Gruppo and report accordingly to the M.G., A.A. & C.D. at A.F.H.Q.

Signed R.C.M.RAIKES,

Brigadier
Comd., 73 A.A. Bde.
(R.C.M.RAIKES)

Field (C.M.F.)
3 Aug 44.
DT/AJH

Copies to :-

M.G., A.A. & C.D., A.F.H.Q., C.M.F.
O.C. 70 L.A.A. Regt.
O.C. Br. Increment, 145 A.A.Gruppo (It.Army)
File No. 4

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Subject: MMIA Adm. Instr.No.3

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AC/8

6 Sep 44

Q(Maint)AFHQ

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Ref AFHQ Signal F 89848 signed SACMED cite FHGDQ dated 30 Aug 44.

1. Five copies of MMIA Adm. Instr. No.3 are forwarded herewith.

2. This instruction is due for extensive amendment of detail, though the main principals remain unchanged.

3. Owing to the possibility of considerable changes in the near future, these amendments will not be issued till the position is firm.

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

FJN/hh

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Subject:- Italian Army Absentees.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
HQ. A.C.C.
ROME
AQ/3
6 SEP 44

HQ.AAI

483/44

Ref your 3074/A(O) dated 30 Aug 44.

1. Immediate enquiries are being instituted with the Italian Ministry of War to define the exact disciplinary powers delegated to Regimental Commanders, and to examine the means by which these powers may be increased, with a view to accelerating trial procedure.

2. The results of these enquiries, and the proposals adopted, will be forwarded to HQ AAI as soon as possible.

F.J.Forkes,Lt.Col.
for Major General
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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Comd

Pls MFR

To see on return.

(1) Copies sent to AFHQ and AAI.

(11) D.I.E has seen

27 Oct. This is a copy for your A/R.

G S O. 1 Have you seen?

2 Oct Thanks Jon A/R

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P. IL COMMISSARIO DEL FASCIO ROMANO
(GINO BARDI)

Firma .....

Domicilio .....

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COPY TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War Ref 100230/I

To: Circular. Date: 5. 9. 44

Subject: Employment of Captain & Subalterns

The present lack of proportion between availability of senior officers and that of junior officers is evidently affecting unit cadres which generally lack Captains and Subalterns.

I have already instructed the Directorate General of Personnel (Officers) (letter 11711/I - 8.2.264 dated August 5th last) to the effect that no subaltern either regular or emergency, recovered during the northward advance will be posted to any office but will be given the command of a unit corresponding to his rank.

Confirming this directive I also order that not only subalterns recovered in the advance towards the North but all subalterns (whether regular or emergency) no matter now employed in central or local HQs be also posted to command units as above.

Also, and in order to further eliminate the drawbacks mentioned above, I order that all regular army Captains be posted to units with duties corresponding to their rank.

The addressees will carry out, before Sept 20th, the transfers herein ordered, reporting all movements to this Ministry - Directorate General of Personnel (Officers) for sanctioning. 0321

As regards officers employed in the Ministry, the Directorates General and Independent Offices concerned will submit a nominal roll of Capts and Subalterns to be transferred to the Directorate General of Personnel (Officers) who will provide for their posting.

I wish to receive confirmation of fulfillment of these orders by Sept 25th.

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I wish to receive confirmation of fulfillment of these orders by Sept 25th.

Should these measures not suffice to cover the deficiencies referred to I will issue similar instructions regarding emergency Captains.

The above instructions do not apply to Reg. Capts with a higher acting rank who undergoing a trial period at HQs for Staff Work.

SMRE is requested to issue individual instructions in respect of such officers in order not to cause them hardship in their careers.

The Minister

(sgd) A.CASATI

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The Minister of War

Rome 5 Sept 44

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Dear General,

I have
I read with close regret your letter ref 48/8
dated 1st of Sept 44 + the information you have
me concerning gen PELLIGRA

I have asked the General + expressed to him
my disappointment for what had taken place
+ surprise
and surprise we, because he has always been
very keen on the completion of his Liaison
by the dealing of questions with ACC. MMA.

Gen Pelligra, who is old + loyal officer, has informed
me, + has asked me to inform you, that with
his letter ref. 1731 dated 28 August 44, he did
not mean to be disrespectful to MMA + that
he regrets the fact, which has actually happened
- as You say in Your letter - on account

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very keen on the completion of the deal [illegible]
by the clearance of questions with ACC. MMA.

Gen Pellegrini, who is our legal officer, has informed me, & has begged me to inform you, that with his letter ref. 17731 dated 28 August 64, he did not mean to be discourteous to MMA & that he merely stated the fact, which he subsequently confirmed - as You say in Your letter - on account of negligence of the defense.

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While waiting the arrival of Gen. Pellegrini has expressed his will to collaborate with MMA with enthusiasm & I am convinced that Gen Pellegrini will prove it with facts.

With best regards

Yours sincerely

CASATI

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Il Ministro della Guerra

Roma, li 5 settembre 1944

Caro Generale,

Ho appreso con molto rincrescimento quanto Ella mi ha comunicato con la lettera A.Q./8 del 1° settembre, a carico del Generale Pelligra.

Ho chiamato personalmente il Generale e gli ho manifestato il mio disappunto per quanto è avvenuto, che mi ha vivamente sorpreso, dato che egli ha sempre dimostrato molta cura nell'assolvimento dei suoi incarichi, specialmente per quanto riguarda la trattazione delle questioni con l'A.S.C.-

Il Generale Pelligra, con piena lealtà di vecchio ufficiale, mi ha assicurato, e mi ha pregato di assicurarLe, che, con il foglio 17731 del 28 agosto, non ha avuto la minima intenzione di usare un tratto meno che corretto con l'A.S.C. e che deplora nel modo più formale l'inconveniente, accaduto probabilmente a causa = come Ella dice nella Sua lettera = di cattivo servizio negli organi dipendenti.

Nel farmi le suddette dichiarazioni, il Generale Pelligra ha manifestato anche la sua precisa volontà di dare sempre, con il massimo entusiasmo, la sua opera di collaborazione nei rapporti con l'A.S.C., ed io sono convinto, signor Generale, che tale assicurazione avrà piena rispondenza nei fatti.

Con stima e cordiali saluti

Al Maggior Generale
Langley Browning
Capo della Sottocommissione Alleata
di Controllo per l'Esercito

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Subject: Crashes for Italian Army.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

5 Sep 44

MMIA LO 5th Army.

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Ref this HQ letter AQ/8 of 14 Aug and HQ AAI letter 5016/2/A(PS) of 2 Sep (copies herewith).

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1. AAI Ruling in this matter is given in thair a/q letter. Your attention is also drawn to NATOUSA Circular No.90 of 23 July 1944, para 5, sub 2(c) which is quoted below for easy reference.

" 2c. In the matter of insignia and identifying markings, under no circumstances will the personnel be permitted to wear distinguishing buttons, markings, or insignia as currently authorized in United States Army Regulations. If no national military markings are in vogue or authorised by the military forces of the nation of the individual concerned, he or she will wear in a conspicuous place on all garments worn as outer clothing, in letters not less than ½ inch high, the name of the nationx of the individual's claimed citizenship. "

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

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Italian Military Identity Documents.

Army Sub Commission (AMI)
HQ CC
ROME
I/115
4 Sep 44

Ministry of War,
Copy to AMI (Your 1412/2/G.I(b) of 1 Sep refers)

1. Eighth Army report that many Italian units in the Army area are still not in possession of the new military identity cards.

2. In view of the tightening up of control of movement in the Army areas and the fact that as the Allies move northwards considerable numbers of Italian troops fighting against the Allies may be encountered, it is imperative that the distribution of the new identity cards be completed with all possible speed.

3. It is pointed out that it is difficult for Allied troops to distinguish between Italian military personnel fighting for us and those fighting for the Germans. Any Italian soldier who cannot properly establish his identity is liable to be put into a PW cage for safety's sake. This has already happened in a number of cases.

4. It is therefore requested that you make all the necessary arrangements for the distribution of the new cards to Italian troops in Army areas in order to facilitate the work of Allied Field Security Sections and Military Police, and avoid the unnecessary detention of Italian military in PW cages.

5. Please forward a further 50 copies each of the new Officers' and ORs' card to this Headquarters for distribution to F.S.S. and Allied Military Police.

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Maj Gen.
Sub-Commission.

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From SEIA

To MINISTRY OF WAR

rptd SEIA LO 2 DISTRICT
SEIA LO 60 SUB AREA
SEIA LO 3 DISTRICT
Col PIESEN
A/S

SEA390 (*) Confidential (*) Request details personnel strengths and weight of storms of all CIL and Delegation "A" personnel now in 2 rpt 2 DISTRICT (*) Arrangements will then be made to move BOTH the CIL personnel and also those of Delegation "A" which are not being disbanded in situ

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FROM	Originator	Date-Time of Origin.	Office Date Stamp
(A)	MMIA	03 1650	

for Action.

DISTHREE - PBS for MMIA LO - CMTC for FIELDMAN - 64 GARRISON for GREGSON
RPT AAI for QUEEN

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

(COPY TO: COL PIDSLEY)
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484/1

Subject: Italian Military Personnel - unauthorised wearing of Uniform.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

2 Sep 44

To: All MMIA LO's.

Copy of HQ AAI letter AAI/420.1/DCAO dated 23 Aug 44 on the a/m subject is forwarded for your information.

SPA/hh

F. J. Noakes

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

AAI/420.1/DCAO

H.Q., A.A.I.
23 August 1944.

6313

Subject: Unauthorised Wearing of Italian Uniform by Italians.

1. The memorandum below in paragraph 3 has been sent to the Italian Minister of War. There is reason to believe that there still exist large numbers of Italian officers and soldiers who, though not officially a part of the Italian Army, continue to wear the uniform and to act as though they were in fact officers and soldiers. In some cases they may organise themselves into groups and attach themselves to allied units and perform some service in order to obtain the privileges normally accuring to bona fide Italian soldiers. Cases have been reported where funds have been advanced to Italian officers who were not known to the Italian War Ministry and not members of the Italian Army.

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3. a. It is desired that all members of the active Italian Army as recognised by the Allies and carried on the rolls of the Italian Army be required to wear the proper uniform at all times, and be required to carry the proper identification cards. This, of course, does not include security and special personnel who normally work in civilian clothing.

b. From reports received it is apparent that many people who are in fact civilians as far as the present army is concerned are wearing the uniform of the Italian Army. It should be made plain to all concerned that former officers and men of the Italian Army are not permitted to wear the uniform. This applies to all people who are not now carried on the rolls of the Active Army. Army identification cards should not be issued to such people.

(sgd) A.L.HAMBLEN
Brigadier General,U.S.A.
DCAO.

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SUBJECT: Flashes for Italian Tps. HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

MMIA	AQ
FILE REF	8.
Date Recd	3/9/

Tel: FWIPOT 223

5016/2/A(PS)

2 Sep 44

Army Sub Commission MMIA,
HQ ACC.

448

Ref your AQ/8 dated 14 Aug 44.

It is considered that this is a matter for the discretion of CG Fifth Army.

See Folio 492

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for Brigadier,
DAG.

JDP/ND

File 488

SUBJECT:- Administrative Memorandum No 5

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. .A.C.C.
R O M E.
AC/8
1 Sep 44

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Subject: Italian HQ VITERBO.

Army Sub Commission (WAC)
HQ ACC
BASE
AG/3
September 1944

MINISTRY OF WAR

6910

1. A report has been received by this H.Q. concerning an Italian Military HQ at VITERBO.

2. It is desired that you will forward to this HQ details showing when, why, and how the VITERBO HQ came to be set up.

CLAYTON P. KYES, Colonel,
for Major General
Army Sub Commission WAC.

CPK/wz

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See Folio 496 (asks for a reply by the expedited)
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(9) 9/9 Taken personally to the Minister 3 Nov 44

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Subject: Recovery of Italian Arms and Ammunition.

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

Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

454/11

Ref your 12144/CA dated 16 Aug 44.

1. The STACCHIMI firm has not been authorised to salvage Italian War material. This will remain the function of the Arty Directorates under the control of the Ministry of War.

2. The Arty Directorate, Rome, will therefore continue to salvage Italian War material in the Rome area.

JB/hh

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

Copy to: HQ AAI(G-4)
CSMEC HQ AAI.
HQ RAAC. (your Q251 of 27 Aug 44 refers)

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Subject: Salvage of Ammunition.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/8

1 Sep 44

H.Q.,R.A.A.C.

Ref your Q.251 dated 27 Aug 44. 474

1. The policy adopted by the Italian military authorities for the salvage of Italian war material in the Islands, and the south of Italy, has been to place such salvage operations under their local Arty Directorate. The Arty Directorate has specially trained personnel for the purpose. If civilian firms are engaged by the Ministry of War, the Arty Directorate surpervises their work.

2. In the Rome area, the salvage of Italian War material is being undertaken by the Rome Arty Directorate.

3. Your letter has clarified the position as regards both the salvage being undertaken by the Allies and by the STACCHINI firm, and has made it clear that the salvage of Italian War material is not being undertaken by them.

4. The Italian Ministry of War is being advised to continue the collection and salvage of Italian War Material in the Rome area.

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F.J.Noakes

JB/hh
Copy to:
HQ AAI(G-4)
CEMEC HQ AAI.

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

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For information

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AHS

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A.G

Herewith final orders from 11 of 20 the Military jails and prisoners.

I think this ought to be good enough for Public Safety S.C. and Ministry of Grace & Justice.

Perhaps H.O.C will be interested to know about these orders.

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453/9

TRANSLATION

From: M of W
To : Addresses

Ref: 201687/11
Date: 31 Aug 44.

Subject: Internment of Soldiers in Military Prisons.

Conclusive instruction and various arrangements for the transfer of Military Prisons to the dependance of the Ministry of Justice.

1. All military penal institutes existing in liberated Italy will come under the Ministry of Justice with effect from 29 Aug.

2. Until a different solution for Sardinia is obtained, the 7th Reparto Autonomo also will come under the Ministry of Justice for soldiers awaiting trial in Oristano.

3. Military detained will be admitted, as far as accommodation permits in Military Penal Institutes (Prisons or Guard Rooms).

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5. Soldiers in detention awaiting trial on the 30th day, and those sentenced to under 30 days detention will have to be detained in Corps Punishment Centers of the locality.

6. Soldiers sentenced to over 30 days or those awaiting trial after 30 days will have to be struck of strength and put at disposal of Ministry of Justice who will inform place where the soldiers will be detained.

7. Administration officers of Military Penal Institutes will remain at disposal of Ministry of Justice until arrangements, which are under consideration, are made for them.

8. The administrative staff (NCO and soldiers meant for that job) will be taken on strength and employed by the Ministry of Justice in actual state of conditions with respect to rank and pay.

9. After inspection, the buildings will be handed over to the Ministry of Justice.

10. The printing office of the Military Institutes at Gaeta will be reactivated by employing the prisoners to do the necessary printings required by Military Administration.

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11. The above will be sanctioned by law.

The Minister

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N° 201687/II di prot. P.M. 151, 31 agosto 1944

OGGETTO: Internamento dei militari negli stabilimenti militari di pena.

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO	P.M. 151
AL COMANDO DEL VII CORPO D'ARMATA	P.M. 112
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ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.A.R. IL DUCA D'AOSTA	SUA SEDE
AL MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA	R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELLA REGIA MARINA	R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELLA REGIA AERONAUTICA	R O M A

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AL COMANDO DEL CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE — P.M. 155
AL COMANDO TRUPPE P.M.S. — P.M. 181
ALLA PROCURA GENERALE (Presso il Com.do Supremo) — R O M A
A TUTTE LE DIREZIONI GENERALI E UFFICI AUTONOMI NEL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA — S E D E

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO DEL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.M. RE D'ITALIA — NAPOLI
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Riepilogo, nella presente circolare, le norme emanate con varie disposizioni per il trasferimento delle carceri militari alle dipendenze del Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia.

1°) - Tutti gli stabilimenti militari di pena (carceri giudiziarie e reclusori) esistenti nel territorio dell'Italia liberata passano dal 29 agosto alle dipendenze del Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia.

2°) - Fino a quando non sarà possibile adottare una differente soluzione per la Sardegna, anche il 7° Reparto Autonomo militari in attesa di giudizio in Oristano passa alle dipendenze del Ministero Grazia e Giustizia.

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3°) - I detenuti militari, man mano che la capacità di ricovero lo consentirà, verranno ristretti tutti negli stabilimenti militari di pena (carceri giudiziarie o reclusori).

4°) - E' fatto divieto ai comandi ed enti dipendenti di richiedere l'internamento di detenuti militari in carceri civili.

5°) - I militari in attesa di giudizio fino al trentesimo giorno di detenzione ed i condannati a pene detentive inferiori ai 30 (trenta) giorni dovranno essere trattenuti presso i locali di punizione dei corpi.

6°) - I militari condannati a pene superiori a 30 (trenta) giorni ed in attesa di giudizio oltre 30 (trenta) giorni devono essere perduti di forza e messi a disposizione degli organi che il Ministero di Grazia e Giustizia indicherà per il successivo internamento negli stabilimenti militari di pena.

7°) - In attesa di provvedimenti in corso di studio gli ufficiali di inquadramento degli stabilimenti militari di pena restano a disposizione del Ministero Grazia e Giustizia.

8°) - Il personale di governo (sottufficiali e militari vincolati a forma speciale) sarà preso in forza e mantenuto in servizio dal Ministero della Grazia e Giustizia allo stesso condizioni di stato e di assegni goduti attualmente. -

9°) - Per gli edifici sarà effettuata regolare consegna previa ricognizione. -

10°) - La tipografia degli stabilimenti militari di Gaeta verrà rimessa in attività, con l'impiego di mano d'opera tratta dai detenuti e verrà impiegata, come per il passato, per l'approvvigionamento degli stampati necessari all'amministrazione militare.

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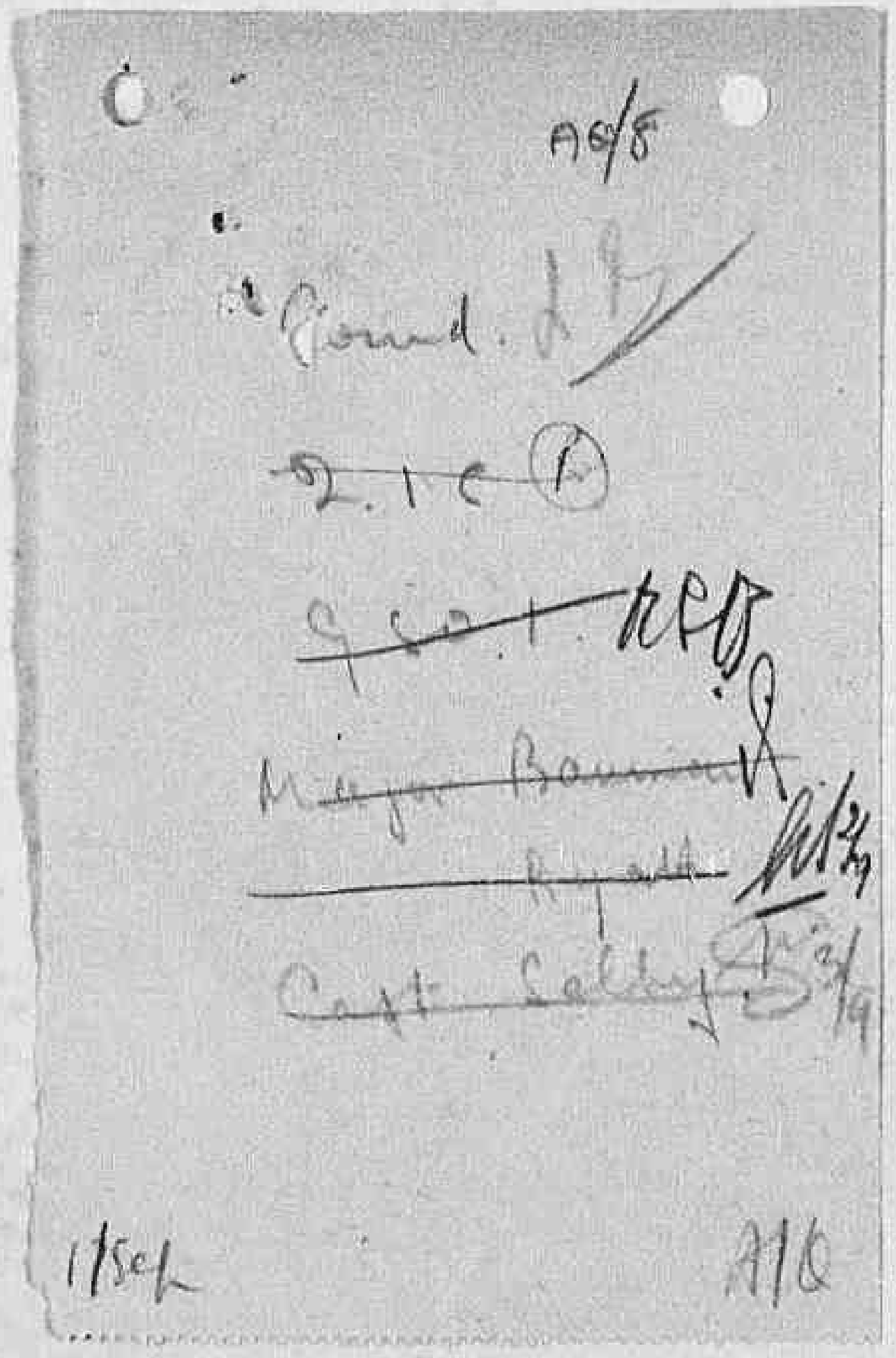
IL MINISTRO
F/to A. Casati

P.C.C.
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.di S.M. E. De Michelis)

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

14/3B/AS

31 Aug 44

SUBJECT : Career Consuls in Liberated Italy.

TO : See Distribution Below.

The subjoined list of career Consular officers in Liberated Italy is forwarded for information.

G. R. UPJOHN, Brigadier,
Vice President, Administrative Section.

Ext: 525
WB.

	American:	Rome: Naples: Palermo:	John F. Huddleston, George F. Brandt, Alfred T. Nester,	Consul Consul General. Consul General.
+	Belgian:	Naples:	Georges Carlier	Consul General.
	British:	Naples: Bari:	Harold C. Swan, F. H. Gamble,	Consul General Consul
+	Dutch:	Naples:	D.C.E.Middelburg	Consul General
	French:	Rome: Naples:	M. Flach, Yves Debreise,	Consul General Consul.
	Greek:	Naples : Bari:	Captain Nicholas Michas, Georges Caloutsis,	Governmental Agent Governmental Agent.
	Norwegian:	Naples:	Cyril T. Klingenburg	Consul.
	San Marino:	Rome:	Marie Morescalchi,	Consul General.
	Swiss:	Naples:	M. Marietti,	
	Turkish:	Rome:	Sakir Bengutas,	Consul.

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Turkish:	Rome:	Sakir Bengutas,	Consul.
Yugoslav:	Rome:	Ilija P. Plamenac,	Consul
	Naples:	M.Joran M. Ristic	Consul General.

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+ These two consular officers are also attached to the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission and have consequently been at Bari for a considerable period and now propose to spend some time in Rome.

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All Regions.
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#83/D

Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees.

HQ.,ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
Tel: FILPOT Ext.226
3074/A(O)

Army Sub-Commission (MMIA)
HQ A.C.C. ROME

M.M.I.A. AG
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Date Rec'd 3.8.44

30 Aug.44

1. A letter has been received from Commander No. 3 District in which he calls attention to the large number of absentees from ITALIAN units under his command.

2. He has discussed the matter with General ROSSI and has come to the conclusion that the chief causes of absence are:-

(a) The leave quota of 5% is too small.

(b) The tardy demobilisation of 1912 and 1913 classes.

(c) The inadequate disciplinary powers given to Regimental Commanders.

3. With regard to the leave quota, it is considered that an increase is not feasible, since it is the intention that all ITALIAN personnel (including co-operators) should have the same leave quota of 5%.

4. With regard to demobilisation, it is realised that the speed of this depends on the arrival of reinforcements.

5. You are requested however, to take up with the Italian Military authorities the question of an immediate extension of the summary powers of Regimental Commanders. At the present time Italian Military Courts are reported to be grossly overcrowded and unable to deal with the large number of cases awaiting trial. It is considered that greater disciplinary powers in the hands of Regimental Commanders, together with an acceleration of trial procedure, would produce a considerable reduction in the number of cases of absence.

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6. An early reply to para.5 above will be appreciated.

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Brigadier,
DAG.

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7 September 1944

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: GOC

1. I have no objection to the Minister for War using the 3800 men allowed for the establishment of these various headquarters, providing that before any extensions are made any place, which would put more Officers and men on Italian administrative duty, the Italian administration be cut to the figure of 27,000 in accordance with the orders issued to them; and the miscellaneous figure be cut in accordance with the orders so that this additional administration personnel will not be hidden under the miscellaneous figure.

I agree. Say we will consider this when we find from returns that the Italian Army has been cut down to the ceiling (by categories) that we have ordered. Meanwhile no reduction by M. of W. till we give authorization

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7 Sep

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Col Kane.

1. I have had this translation lifted & extracted from the file for action.

2. I support General OXNAM! but the establishment of Nuclear ADs is a special hobby of yours, I believe.

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COPY TRANSLATION

Ref. 300471/GA

From: ~~MILIT~~ MINISTRY OF WAR

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To: MUA

See folio #479

Subject: Military Command of Lazio, Umbria and Abruzzi

With the transfer of the Italian administration of the Provinces of Rome, Frosinone and Littoria, and the drawing away in a northerly direction of the battle front as a result of which the Provinces of Lazio, Umbria and Abruzzisono now outside the area of operations renders necessary the formation of a unit for the co-ordination and discipline of the territories mentioned which would involve responsibilities and activities as under :

1. Disciplinary and administrative questions and to the matriculation of military personnel in service, released or waiting to be employed. 6895

Eventual recruiting and recall to the arms of Military to form units for the allies or to take the place of ~~xxhxx~~ older classes to be released.

Transformation of the old territorial organisations(Depots, ~~x~~recruiting centres) according to the new principles (Personnel to be almost exclusively composed of civilians).

Recovery and maintenance materials and real Estates.

Administrative questions to be solved.

Requisitions.

Public order, pay to the families of the internees POW and missing (the actual bad service causes serious moral uncertainties because the so called Republic was paying out regularly.

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Contacts with the allies as regards regional problems.

2. The above mentioned co-ordination could be entrusted to the actual Rome territory command which could be given the name of Lazio Umbria Abruzzi Military Command, with jurisdiction as follows:-

(A) Over the territy of the Rome Frosinone and Littoria Provinces which have been recently given back to the Italian admin.

(B) Over the territy of the Provinces Chieti, l'Aquila, Sulmona, Teramo and Pescara.

(C) Over the territy of the Rieti, Viterbo,Ascoli P.Provinces up to the southern limits of the operational area.

3. The jurisdiction over the Campobasso Province could be given to the Puglia and Lucania Military Command.

4. The transformation of the Rome territorial command into the Lazio Umbria and Abruzzi Military Command would not exceed the ceiling (3800 men) allowed by MMIA to the ~~xxxxxx~~ central and neighbouring Military Administration.

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5. I beg M/IA to examine the above mentioned proposals which are intended exclusively to discipline many activities which are actually not cared for as not sufficiently developed because there is no intermediate organization to co-ordinate the above mentioned activities.

(sgd) OXILIA

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SUP. FILE

Subject: Districts NORTH of ROME.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AG/8

29 Aug 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. It is not possible under present circumstances to set up a normal peace-time organization of districts and other military establishments in the towns recently liberated NORTH of ROME for operational reasons and because of restrictions on numbers.

2. On the other hand, it is appreciated that the districts maintain valuable records of military personnel, and also pay out pensions and allowances, and that it is in the general interest that these services be continued.

3. The situation can only be met by the employment of civilian personnel, and it is thought likely that suitable men with experience of the work to be done can be found among local demobilised Army personnel.

4. There would be no objection to sending or returning an official 65493 (with civilian status) to each important centre, to organize the work and represent the War Ministry, and it is suggested that retired senior officers might be suitably employed for this purpose.

5. Please inform this HQ of the districts which the War Ministry proposes to run with civilian staffs, and the names (and former ranks) of the officials in charge. This will enable this HQ to issue the necessary documents to certify the status and functions of the officials designated.

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A.B.

Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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MESSAGE FORM

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From MMIA

To MINISTER for WAR

rptd PRO for Col LORF
PRO for MMIALO
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SD1367 (*) SECRET (*) FIRST (*) Following four Guard battalions ex BARI Div have arrived NAPLES (*) 2 Bn 340 Regiment 1 Bn 140 Regt 1 Bn 340 Regt 2 Bn 140 Regt (*) SECOND (*) These are assigned to Category 5 BAKER (*) Will be assigned to operational control PRO (*) THIRD (*) Instruct COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA to proceed with firm reorganisation of these battalions under direction Comando Italiano 212 (*) Necessary Allied outer and other clothing will be released by MMIA LO NAPLES with report of action taken (*) Battalions will be made operationally effective without delay (*) Designations will be assigned as directed in para 6 baker of MMIA letter G/G/1/F of 15 Aug 0692

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Translation.

From [illegible]

To AFHQ

Ref no 20071/CA

Date 31/8/44

Military Commander of Lazio Umbria and Abruzzi

Translation typed by Flow

With the exception of the Province of Frosinone and Littoria and the dwellings away in a northerly direction of the battle front as a result of which the Provinces of Lazio Umbria and Abruzzi and all of the area of operations necessary the formation of an unit for the coordination and Discipline of the territories mentioned. which would involve responsibilities and activities as under.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 300471 /C.A. P.M.107 li 31 agosto 1944

OGGETTO Comando militare del Lazio, Umbria ed Abruzzi-
Military Command of

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO -
ROMA

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I - Con il trasferimento all'amministrazione italiana delle provincie di Roma, Frosinone e Littoria, e con l'allontanamento verso nord del fronte terrestre di combattimento per cui altre provincie del Lazio, Umbria e Abruzzi sono ormai fuori della zona di operazione, si rende necessario affidare ad un unico ente militare il coordinamento e la disciplina, nei territori in questione, di tutta la complessa attività relativa a:

- questioni disciplinari, amministrative e matricolari del personale militare in servizio o in congedo o in attesa d'impiego;
- eventuale reclutamento, richiamo alle armi di militari per costituire reparti per gli alleati o per sostituire militari di classi anziane da inviare in congedo;
- trasformazione della vecchia organizzazione territoriale (depositi, distretti) secondo i nuovi criteri (personale quasi totalmente civile);

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- recupero e custodia dei materiali e degli immobili;
- pendenze di carattere amministrativo;
- requisizioni;
- ordine pubblico;
- corresponsione di assegni ai familiari degli internati, prigionieri e dispersi (il forte disservizio attuale ha gravi ripercussioni morali perchè viene fatto il paragone con quanto praticava al riguardo la pseudo repubblica, che pagava regolarmente);
- contatti con gli alleati per quanto si riferisce a problemi di carattere regionale.

II - L'azione di coordinamento suddetta potrebbe essere devoluta

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all'attuale Comando del Territorio di Roma che potrebbe denominarsi: "Comando Militare del Lazio,Umbria ed Abruzzi" con giurisdizione:

a)- sul territorio delle provincie di Roma Frosinone e Littoria, di recente restituite all'amministrazione italiana;

b)- sul territorio delle provincie di Chieti,l'Aquila,Sulmona, Teramo e Pescara;

c)- sul territorio delle provincie di Rieti,Viterbo,Ascoli P. sino al limite sud della zona di operazione.

III- La giurisdizione sulla provincia di Campobasso potrebbe essere devoluta al comando militare della Puglia e Lucania.

IV - La trasformazione del comando territorio di Roma in Comando Militare del Lazio,Umbria ed Abruzzi non inciderebbe sulla quota numerica (3.600 unità) stabilita da codesta Sottocommissione per l'Amministrazione militare centrale e periferica.

V - Prego codesta A.S.C. di esaminare le proposte di cui sopra che tendono esclusivamente a disciplinare un complesso di attività talune delle quali, allo stato attuale,sono dannosamente trascurate o non sufficientemente seguite,per mancanza di un organo intermedio con funzioni di coordinamento.-

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

G. Oxilia

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From: MINISTRY OF WAR

To: MMIA

Ref. 300471/CA

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Employment of Italian Air Force Units and Personnel with the Royal Air Force

Italian Air Force Units and Personnel are now being employed by many R.A.F. Units and it has been thought advisable to issue some Instructions as a guide to the general administration of Italian Service Personnel.

2. Copies of these Administration Instructions are attached; and it is requested that they should be passed to the concerned Units under your administrative control.

3. Administration enquiries and queries should be referred to "M.A.A.F. Liaison Officer, 214 Group, C.M.F; and any matters involving a policy decision referred to this Headquarters.

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Units of the Italian Air Force will be employed:-

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2. ESTABLISHMENTS.

Where whole Units of the Italian Air Force are employed, they will work to the appropriate Italian War Establishment. Where no Italian War establishment exists for any given Unit, Organisation 2 (Establishments) of this Headquarters in conjunction with the Air Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission will issue a suitable establishment on the policy and commitments of the Unit.

Where personnel of the Italian Air Force are employed with R.A.F. Units the establishment of the R..F. Unit will continue to be used.

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(b) All Commanding Officers of Units employing Italian Service Personnel in R.A.F. Units are given power of Command over all such personnel and all R.A.F. Officers, W.Os, and N.C.O's in such Units are given power of Command over Italian personnel of equal or lower rank.

(c) All personnel of the Italian Air Force will remain subject to the Italian Military Law which will be administered by Italian Officers in accordance with the Italian code.

Where there is no Italian Officer competent to deal with the case at the R.A.F. Unit, the offender will be sent with a short statement of the offence in ordinary English and brief statements of witnesses to the nearest Italian Unit for disciplinary action to be taken; with a copy to Air Forces Sub Commission of Allied Control Commission. Arrangements will be made for the Italian Officer dealing with the case to report his action to the Commanding Officer of the R.A.F. Unit.

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4. ARREST

British Service personnel are given the same powers of arrest and detention over Italian Air Force personnel as they have over personnel of their own Services, such power being exercisable with regard to any Italian Air Force personnel, who are reasonably suspected of having committed any offence punishable by Italian Law or any offence against British Military law although such latter offence may not be punishable under Italian Law. Italian Air Force personnel will, whilst outside the R.A.F. Units at which they are serving be subject to arrest only by Naval pickets, Corps of Military Police and R.A.F. Police unless such Italian Air Force personnel are committing serious offences or are behaving in a disorderly manner.

5. 'P' STAFF MATTERS

All 'P' Staff matters with the exception of the removal and appointing of Officers which is dealt with in 3 (a) above will continue under Italian Organisation.

In all duty matters, Italian Air Force Units serving with the R.A.F. and Italian Air Force personnel serving with Units of the R.A.F. will be treated in a similar manner to Units and personnel of the R.A.F.

6. LEAVE.

If and when possible, Italian personnel whose families are located in the Allied occupied territory, may be permitted leave or furlough to their homes, provided they receive not more than seven days in every six months and that only 5 per cent of the Italian personnel of a Unit are absent at any one time. Leave passes are to be submitted to Air Forces Sub Commission of Allied Control Commission through Italian channels for approval.

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(a) Complete Italian Air Force Units.

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(c) Reinforcement Organisation.

An Italian Air Force Base Depot will be formed from which on receipt of the application referred to in (b) above, Air Forces Sub Commission of Allied Control Commission will draw the necessary personnel.

(d) Documentation.

This is an entirely Italian Air Force responsibility and will be carried out through Local Italian Air Force Headquarters. Units are to afford every assistance; and are to advise these local Headquarters of every change of personnel employed on the Units.

(e) Return of ex-Hospital Personnel

Personnel detained in hospital up to and including seven days are to return direct to their Unit on discharge. Personnel detained in Hospital eight days or over are to proceed to Base Personnel Depot as in (c) above. Application for replacement will be made as in sub para (b) above.

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8. PAY

All matters of pay and accountancy will be the responsibility of the Italian Air Force through their own Accounts Branch. In cases of difficulty reference should be made to Air Forces Sub-Commission of Allied Control Commission.

9. PRISONERS OF WAR.

Prisoners of War, of whatever nationality, who fall into the hands of Italian Armed Forces shall be handed over as soon as possible after capture to the nearest British or American Unit and shall be deemed to be Prisoners taken by that Unit.

10. MEDICAL

(a) Medical arrangements for personnel of the Italian Air Force serving in complete Units will be provided from Italian sources, including Medical Officers and orderlies. Hospitalisation will be carried out under arrangements with D.D.M.S. Army for the particular District, when Italian hospitals are not available.

(b) Where however, the number of Italian personnel does not warrant the full time employment of an Italian Medical Officer, arrangements will be made by the S.M.O. of the Formation (Wing or Group as applicable) either for a visiting Italian Medical Officer to attend at stated hours; or for their attendance at R.A.F. Medical Inspection Rooms. Except for grave emergencies or where it is not practicable they will be hospitalised as in sub para (a)

(c) No documents are required by the R.A.F. unless Italian Air Force personnel are treated in R.A.F. Hospitals, Sick Quarters, or Mobile Field Hospitals. In the latter case normal returns (F.38 3118 etc) will be prepared and sent through normal channels to P.M.O. , M.A.A.F. A separate Form 38 will be required headed "Italian Air Force Personnel employed with R.A.F." Separate Attendance Sick Books for Italian Air Force personnel should be kept in Medical Inspection Rooms.

(d) Medical stores and equipment for complete Italian Units will be provided by the Director of Medical Services of the Italian Air Force.

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(g) Officers Commanding R.A.F. Units employing Italian Air Force personnel will have full authority to enforce these medical instructions, and they are to ensure that all Italian Medical Officers, Italian Medical Nursing Orderlies and Italian Air Force personnel employed on their Unit, comply with such R.A.F. Medical Instructions as are issued by the appropriate R.A.F. Medical Authority.

11. ACCOMMODATION - of Italian Air Force personnel employed at R.A.F. Units

Where Italian Air Force personnel are not located within reasonable marching distance of an Italian Air Force barracks, the receiving Unit will provide accommodation, lighting and cooking facilities.

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12. TRANSPORT - Of Italian Air Force personnel employed at R...F. Units.

The receiving Unit will be responsible for providing transport to collect Italian Air Force personnel from point of assembly; and for the collection of rations from Italian Air Force Ration Depots.

13. WELFARE

(a) In complete Italian Units, welfare will be entirely the responsibility of the Italian Government.

(b) In R...F. Units, where Italian Air Force personnel are employed, welfare amenities on a limited scale will be provided from R...F. sources. If conditions allow, canteen facilities, separate to those for R.A.F. airmen will be provided; a quota of indoor and outdoor games and equipment will be made available by R...F. Welfare sources and Italian airmen will be allowed to attend mobile cinema shows and Ensa Concerts if no R.A.F. airmen are excluded thereby.

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(c) Private mail for and from Italian Air Force personnel serving behind Army and Corps Areas will not be accepted at or delivered through British A.P.O.'s. In these areas postal facilities are available through Italian Civil, or Army Post Offices.

(d) Conveyance of private correspondence for or from members of the Italian Air Force serving in forward areas by means other than those outlined above is forbidden.

(e) The service is confined to postcards and letters not exceeding 90 grammes in weight. No registration facilities are available.

17. EQUIPMENT - For Italian Air Force personnel employed at R.A.F. Units

Where absolutely necessary, and with prior approval of higher Formation Headquarters receiving Units may provide Italian Air Force personnel with boots, mess tins, knives, forks, spoons, mugs. All other equipment and clothing will be provided by the Air Forces Sub Commission of Allied Control Commission through normal Italian Air Force Channels.

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18. EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN ARMY AND NAVY PERSONNEL

The foregoing Instructions are also applicable to the Italian Army personnel and Italian Navy personnel employed with the A.A.F. Where appropriate "Army Sub-Commission", or "Naval Sub-Commission", should be substituted for "Air Forces Sub-Commission".

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APPENDIX 'A'

DAILY RATION SCALE - - ITALIAN FORCES

FROM ALLIED SOURCES ITEM	SCALE PER MAN - PER DAY.
Flour	12 ozs.
Vegetable Dehydrated	1 oz.
Canned Meat or Preserved Fish ...	3 oz.
Cheese	1 oz.
Sugar	1 oz.
Macaroni	3 oz.
Rice	1 oz.
Beans or Peas Dried	2 oz.
Tomato Catsup or Paste	½ oz.
Coffee	½ oz.
Pepper	1/200 oz.
Matches. Weekly Issue	2 books or 1 box

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FROM ITALIAN SOURCES	
Fruit	4 ozs.
Fresh Vegetables	8 ozs.
Olive Oil	1 oz.
Nuts	½ oz.
Salt	½ oz.
Wine	½ litre.

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Captured Enemy Material Section,
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Subject: Ammunition. CEM/FL/21.

To : Rome Allied Area Command, 31 Aug., 44.
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1. Reference your G.251 dated 27 Aug., 44, para. 6. With the approval of the Captured Enemy Material Section, AFHQ, as the responsible agency for Captured Enemy Material, vide AFHQ Circular No. 13 dated 1 May, 44, negotiations are in progress with a view to giving authority to the firm POLVERICHI STACCHINI, Rome, to collect, under the direction of Captured Enemy Material Section, this HQ, German ammunition from dumps.

2. Material collected will be allocated by QM(CEMS), AFHQ, in accordance with the a/m AFHQ Circular. It is not the intention that the firm should recover British or American ammunition.

3. As soon as the final details are approved by AFHQ full details will be sent to all concerned.

W. J. Llewellyn Jones
Major,
C.E.M. Section.

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G-4, HQ, AAI.
Army Sub Commission (MMIA), HQ, ACC. Ref. your AG/8 d/d 22 Aug., 44.
HQ, PBS, APO 782, U.S. ARMY.
G-3 (Br), RAAC.
G-4 (US), RAAC.
ADOS, RAAC.
Engineer Supply Officer, RAAC.

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Army Sub Commission, MTA.
H.Q. A.C.C.
APO.
AD/2.
21 Aug. 44.

TO:- H.Q. MAAF RAF CMF.
Fptd APO.
Air Force Sub Commission. ACC APO.
" " " " BAAI.
AAI ref. 1605/50/34/C/(Sal) of 19th.Aug.44.
MMIA 20 2 District.
Q (Int).

Italian Army Personnel employed by Mediterranean Allied Air Force.

1. The following Italian Army personnel are at present operating in Balloon units under your command:-

Offrs.	O.R.s.
23	742

2. They are trained in their present duties, and AAI have instructed us that they will be transferred to the strength of the Italian Air Force, and held against the Air Force ceiling of 5[illegible],000.

3. It is intended to transfer these personnel by name; the Italians however are unable to furnish us with a nominal roll. They state however that, as far as they are aware, only 350 such personnel are operating under your command.

4. It is requested therefore that you forward to this H.Q. a nominal roll in triplicate of the 765 personnel, showing ranks, names, ages, arm of service and the Italian Units by which each man is administered.

5. The Italian General Staff will then be instructed to effect the necessary transfers.

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

sb.BGS.

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M.M.I.A.
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Date Recd

LATD V LAEL MR1
FROM LAEL 3819042
TO MHIA DAIH
COX CR 29 ET

YOUR AG/6 DATED 4 JUNE (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FMGDC
PASSAGE REQUEST ADDITIONAL FIVE COPIES MHIA ADM INSTRUCTION NO. 3
BE FORWARDED TO C (MAINT) AFHQ
ET

SENT MR1 31/0120B
RCD MR1 31/0120B

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MR4 (AD)

Done 4/9/42

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Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
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30 AUG 44

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Major General
Army Sub Commission MMIA

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Staff Captain's report

on a sweep in SIENNA.

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G.O.C.

I think we should ask him if they are authorizing these organizations - and for what purpose

Yes

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Raggruppamento Amiato (SIENNA)

General. A nice Building with a sign "Comando Raggruppamento Amiato" outside.

Personal. About 100, mostly officers, commanded by a full Colonel, an old Tuscist, officer man.

Status Patriots in plain clothes, except for the Colonel.

Promised by Tuscisty officers to reform as Amiato Bn, to join later with Andrea Bn and to SLR as general ~~abrogate~~ C.I.L.

Equipment. They were authorised by Tuscisty officers to collect and keep (for our use?) all Italian Army Equipment in SIENNA.

Equipment found (figures approx)
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2/ 200 Suits winter Captured woolen. 6868
3/ 40 prs boots
4/ 150 rucksacks.
5/ A number of steel helmets
6/ Lots of iron bunks.

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3) 40 prs boots.
4) 150 rucksacs.
5) A number of Steel Helmets
6) Lots of Hand bombs.
7) A few blankets.

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2 Impressions

1) Similar organisations in other towns approved by M of W
2) Possibility of concealed stores and equipment.
3) Resistance by C.O Nat Repubblicane had taken everything.
4) All District HQ buildings taken over by Republicans. Therefore little likely to be found in them.
5) All records of Republicans offices are held by "Questore".
6) The patriots welcomed the idea of being part of CIL. Spelt CIL means something to them.

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Ma/ta

Urgentissimo

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 201560/II P.M. 107 li 30 agosto 1944

OGGETTO: Trasferimento delle carceri militari e dei detenuti. -
Transfer military prisoners & jails

AL MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA = R O M A =

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO = R O M A =

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Per eventuale richiesta di mezzi di trasporto, codesto Ministero dovrà rivolgersi al Maggiore Wilson della Sottocommissione per la pubblica sicurezza.

In particolare, per i detenuti rimasti ancora a Forte Boccea e che devono essere sgomberati altrove, devono essere applicate le norme di cui alla presente lettera.

Log dated 29/8 para 1. refers 30/8

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
(Col.di S.M. E. De Michelis)

30/8

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H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AQ/S

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Major General
Army Sub Commission MFIA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

SECRET

M.A.I.A. AG
FILE REF
Date Recd 19/44

Subject: BILLS FOR GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTI

G1-B/1496/AG

24. Aug 44

GHQ 2nd Echelon

1. It is the intention to form six British Liaison Units for Gruppi di Combattimenti.

2. Each Liaison Unit will have on its establishment the following Offs :-

Clerks:	S/Sjt	1
	Pte	2
Storeman:	Sjt	1

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3. Will you please arrange for the personnel for these six units to report to :-

Major FIELDMAN
MMIA
Friuli Div
San Giorgio del Sannio
Near Benevento.

Map Ref: 1.200.000 Italy Road Map Sheet No 19 : N 7274

4. Personnel should report as soon as possible

5. My signal FX 88443 of 28 Aug 44 refers

6. Will you please arrange for the personnel to be held on K(iv) List pending implementation of W/E.

W B CHAPMAN MAJOR DAAG
for Major-General. DAG
G-1 (Ex)

Copy to: HQ AAI for DDOS
HQ MMIA
Major FIELDMAN
K Coy 5 Bn 1 GRID

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Subject: Italian HQ - VITERBO.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AC/8

29 Aug 44

To: RC and MG Section.

1. Reference your 6/233/CA of 22 August. There is no official District HQ at VITERBO, nor will one be formed.

2. The policy is set out in my G/19 of 3 June sent to HQ ACC.

3. Details as given in your letter are being passed to the Ministry for War, but the question of "Regularising" this irregular HQ does not arise.

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CLAYTON P.KERR
Col. Inf.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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SUBJECT:- 1200 Italian Independent Ambulance Platoon

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
SD/6
29 Aug 44

S M R E

The attached instructions regarding 1200 Italian Independent Ambulance Platoon are forwarded for your information.

E. Max Corbett
Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
M M I A

AEC

Internal Distn :- A/Q
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DADMS
G 111

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To see G1 Rome

COPY

SUBJECT:- 1200 Indep (I) Ambulance Platoon

HQ 2 District
C.M.F.
ST 4410/6

26 Aug 44

ST 6 Base Sub Area
ST 52 Area

1. Due to the impending move of 1002 (I) GT Coy from under command this HQ it will be necessary for 1200 Indep (I) Amb Pl, which now forms part of the above company, to be attached to another unit.

2. 219 Coy RASC (Amb Car) has been nominated for this purpose, the following action will therefore be taken forthwith :

(a) All vehicles and G.1098 equipment provided from British sources will be struck off charge Br Cadre 1002 (I) GT Coy and taken on charge by 219 Coy RASC (Amb Car).

(b) The platoon will move to BARI, less present detachments, under orders which are being issued by the staff. 0002

(c) A representative of 219 Coy RASC (Amb Car) will contact OC Br Cadre 1002 (I) GT Coy forthwith to make necessary arrangements to implement the above. BMI/ALO 2 District will also be contacted in order to arrange necessary accommodation.

3. Operation orders for the platoon will be issued direct to O i/c Platoon by DDMS of Italian Corps, with copy to OC 219 Coy RASC (Amb Car). Orders regarding local administration, vehicle maintenance etc, will be dealt with as for a normal GT platoon. Vehicle maintenance is the responsibility of OC 219 Coy RASC (Amb Car).

4. The handover will be completed by 30 Aug 44. Please report completion.

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signed Major

for Colonel,
D.D.S.T.

WB - ABC

Copy to:- G(Sdl)
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MESSAGE FORM

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From MMIA

To MINISTRY OF WAR

rptd AMG SARDINIA pass to SIMMONS
Adv AAI

SD1350 (*) TOREC (*) No Italian Army officer in SARDINIA now engaged in work primarily associated with Allied activities in SARDINIA will be released or discharged from his present assignment to duty without concurrence of General WEBSTER Allied Garrison Commander SARDINIA (*) AAI 00C8277 not to MINISTER FOR WAR refers (*) For SIMMONS (*) Inst uct Italian Commanders accordingly pending receipt by them of MINISTER's orders (*) ACKNOWLEDGE

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478709

8 29 August, 1944.

ACC/14043/PS

SUBJECT : P r i s o n s.

TO : His Excellency, Minister of Grace and Justice.

1. It is understood that your Ministry will become responsible for Italian Military Prisoners who are serving sentences in excess of 30 days, or who are awaiting trial over 30 days. Further, that these prisoners will be fed on the civilian scale and not on Army scale rations.

2. It is not proposed to transfer military prisoners to civil jails, as no accommodation is available. In fact, civil jails are already overcrowded.

3. Arrangements are being made to transfer certain military jails to the civil authority. The accommodation thus made available will be sufficient to house all military prisoners, including those at present in civil jails.

4. The effect of this arrangement should be, that more accommodation will be available in civil jails for civil prisoners. For example, it will enable 459 Military prisoners to be moved from BARI prison, and 285 from LECCE prison.

5. The question of staffing the military prisons handed over, is one of some difficulty, but it is hoped that some arrangement can be made with the Minister of War.

6. Pending the completion of the above scheme, it is suggested that Prison Directors be informed that no further Military Prisoners should be accepted into civil jails.

7. The Military Mission to the Italian Army is formulating this scheme in conjunction with the Minister of War, and it is anticipated that concrete proposals will be put forward to you in the very near future.

Copy to : R.C. & M.G. Section
Admin. Section
M.M.I.A.
Legal S/C.

for PAUL G. KIRK
Colonel Infantry
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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Subject: Districts NORTH of ROME.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
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29 Aug 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. It is not possible under present circumstances to set up a normal peace-time organization of districts and other military establishments in the towns recently liberated NORTH of ROME for operational reasons and because of restrictions on numbers.

2. On the other hand, it is appreciated that the districts maintain valuable records of military personnel, and also pay out pensions and allowances, and that it is in the general interest that these services be continued.

3. The situation can only be met by the employment of civilian personnel, and it is thought likely that suitable men with experience of the work to be done can be found among local demobilized Army personnel.

4. There would be no objection to sending or retaining an official (with civilian status) to each important centre, to organize the work and represent the War Ministry, and it is suggested that retired senior officers might be suitably employed for this purpose.

5. Please inform this HQ of the districts which the War Ministry proposes to run with civilian staffs, and the names (and former ranks) of the officials in charge. This will enable this HQ to issue the necessary documents to certify the status and functions of the officials designated.

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Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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TRANSLATION

From H Q C

to H Q N A

Ref. 13731/44.

Dated 28/3/44.

Subject application of admin. order 40 c

Refering to your letter N.H.Q. date July 25/1944. this ministry informs you that the admin instruction 40 c is not known because the only thing which has to forwarded to this ministry was the return of the request for clothing items. the A/M return (copy) was sent at once to the various directorate and it is the one which is now actualy in force.

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to this we add.

A. the N.H.Q sent a copy of the instructions to all the concerned departements as soon as we received in order to have it put in practice.

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B. the special depot (clothing and equipt) of Lecce has been closed and the material stocked in it has been handed over to the "La Rocca" Directorate Depot of Bari « Returns concerning such depot will not be forwarded in future »

C. We cannot ensure the regular forwarding of the returns from Sicily and particularly from Sardegna owing to the difficulties of communications. Instructions have been issued to the commissariat Directorate of Rome to forward regularly the returns.

Pellegrini 6856

Mussolini

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
Div. Vestiario

Divisione ____ Sez. ____
Prot. N.° 17731/N2 Allegati ____

Roma, 28 AGO 1944

Al 1 ARMY SUB COMMISSION -
-Main HQ.
ROMA

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. Sez. N.°

OGGETTO Applicazione della Istruzione Amministrativa nº 5 .-
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P. IL MINISTRO

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Army Sub Commission, AMIA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

ROME.

T3/G/29.
28 Aug. 44.

To :- H.E. General CXILIA Under-Secretary of State for War.
H.E. General BERARDI Chief of the General Staff - Italian Army.

Reorganisation Italian Combat Force.

Your Excellency,

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1. I am directed to inform you that it has been decided that as and when equipment can be provided certain units of the Italian Army will be re-equipped from Allied sources on a combat basis.

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4. The reorganisation required to bring the units of these divisions into conformity with the outline war establishments will be completed as quickly as possible and in any case before 17th. September. Particular care and firmness will be exercised by you in the deletion of all officers, N.C.Os and men who are for any reason unsuitable for combat duties. This process will be supervised and assisted by British Liaison Officers who are being sent at once to S. GIORGIO for that purpose.

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(c) Tactical exercises for officers and N.C.Os (without and with troops) demonstrating the employment of British weapons by Italian sub-units; these will be arranged by British Staffs in collaboration with Italian commanders.

(d) Specialist and administrative training in supply, replacement and other technical details which will be undertaken by British technical units.

Speed and energy are essential during this period which, it is considered, should (for the first two groups) be completed by the end of October provided essential equipment arrives in time.

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6. The issue of equipment will be made as quickly as possible under arrangements which will be notified separately. In the meantime you are to ensure that all the necessary administrative arrangements are ready for it's receipt, distribution and safe custody.

7. The method of employment of these divisions in the line will be notified later when their potentiality can be more definitely assessed in relation to future needs. Meanwhile you may work on the following premises.

(a) Gruppi will be employed independently under Allied Formation Commanders.

(b) Necessary Italian supporting arms and maintenance services will be provided under arrangements to be notified seperately.

(c) Gruppi will be capable of moving in it's own Motor Transport with the exception of Infantry Rifle Coys.

(d) Extra transport or special equipment (such as for mountain warfare) will be provided from Allied sources when required subject to operational availability.

(e) It is not intended that Gruppi will be called on to undertake major offensive operations unaided.

(f) Gruppi may be required to undertake Internal Security or Garrison duties if the need arises.

8. The selection and preparation of further units for training is now being studied and you will be informed of any decisions reached.

J. B. [illegible]

Major General.

Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.
M.M.I.A.

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Subject: AAI/420.1/DCAO - Unauthorised Wearing of Uniform.

Army Sub Commission(MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
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27th Aug 44

To: Adjutant, HQ ACC.

1. The attached are addressed to ACC for action. Separate copies are included on the distribution by HQ AAI. for this HQ.

2. It is requested that the appropriate action may be taken to inform Regional Commissioners and others who should be cognisant of and are required to take appropriate action.

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~~P.J.~~NOAKES Lt.Col.
For Major General.
Army Sub Commission(MMIA)

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