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AQ/11/1

Italian Military Personnel. P.O.W.

6th Cover

Dec. 1944 - Jan. 1945

 **CROCE ROSSA ITALIANA** 394/1
UFFICIO PRIGIONIERI RICERCHE E SERVIZI CONNESSI
(Segretariato Internazionale Informazioni Private)
ROMA - Via Puglia 6 - Telef. 41.530 - Teleg. : CROCEROSSA PRIGIONIERI ROMA

Service V°
Prot. N. S/20604.S.I.P.
Ricevuta N.
Oggetto : Information.
Allegati

11/2
Roma, 4 January 27th 1945

Capt. S. P. ARCHER
Land Forces Sub-Commission
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME

Dear Sir.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter
dated December 17th 1944, concerning:

Angiolo COSTAGLI

We will look into the matter without
delay and will let you know something
as soon as possible.

Believe me, dear Sir, !

Yours truly.

IL CAPO DELL'UFFICIO P. G.

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LAND FORCES

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SUBJECT:- Italian Protected Personnel - Releases.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3025/G1(Br).

Headquarters,
No. 3 District. (3)

20/11 27 Jan 45.
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185482 S.Ten. QUINTO Enzo attached to the Allied
Commission Refugee Camp, SYRACUSE.

1. Authority is given for the release of the above named Italian officer for service as a Medical Officer with the Italian Combat Forces.
2. Please inform this Headquarters (copy to Headquarters, Allied Commission (IPW Sub-Commission) and Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C. (MMIA) ROME) of ETA in RO.
3. On arrival in ROME S.Ten. QUINTO should report to Land Forces Sub-Commission Allied Commission (MMIA) with a copy of this authority.

HEADQUARTERS

28 JAN 1945

A.S. BARS DORF,
Lieut-Colonel, A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

TRC/ER.

Copy to:- Headquarters, Allied Commission (IPW Sub-Commission)
(your IPW/1/11/373 of 12 Jan 45 refers.)
G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon (O2E/EPW/ENQ/13/23 of 24 Jan 45 refers)
Land Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission (MMIA) ROME.
(Your SPA/ab of 9 Jan 45 to WMD and IPW Headquarters, Allied
Commission refers).
Surgeon, (DMS) AFHQ.
G-5 (Your IRS 383.6 dated 15 Jan 45 refers).

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See folio 438 4th Tasked
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2P+R Sub-Commission
in fol
also in 301
Pw

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Subject:- P.W. Statistics.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/1

27 Jan 45.

A.F.H.Q.
C.M.F.
for G1(Br).

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Refer your C.R./3776/G1(Br) of 6 Jan/45.

1. The attached statement shows information which Ministry of War have supplied in response to a request based on your above quoted letter.
2. The information was obtained from Unit Diaries and other Reports. It is regretted that the Ministry has been unable to supply figures showing different Nationalities, but they believe that only German prisoners are included in the figures.
3. The Ministry has not been able to state to which Allied Units these prisoners were handed over.
4. It is hoped that this information will fulfill your requirements.

S.P. Archer 3338
S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

SPA/ab

Folio 382/1 refers

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ITALIAN UNIT	ALLIED ARMY TO WHICH ATTACHED	NUMBER OF Ps W.	REMARKS
a) Prior to 11 May 1944			
Truppe della Corsica.	5 ^a	309	
209 Divisione	8 ^a	210 (1)	(1) Incl 1 officer (This is the only figure available showing officer P.W.)
C.I.L.	8 ^a	3	
Recon. Squadron	8 ^a	15	
Maiella Band	8 ^a	4	
Itaque Div		1450	
TOTAL.....		541	
b) From 12 May/44 to 26 Aug/44			
C.I.L.	5 ^a	5	
C.I.L.	8 ^a	34	
209 Divisione	8 ^a	40	
Recon. squadron	5 ^a	23	
" "	8 ^a	3	
" "	8 ^a	- (2)	(2) Liberated 30 Russian 2 English 1 American
TOTAL.....		105	
GRAND TOTAL.....		646	3337

AFHQ advised
Jaworski 3/7/44
See FO 379

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Subject:- PsW - Repatriation.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/1

27 Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Lt. Col. MASSART Giuseppe
Lt. Col. PARACI Salvatore
(126 Regt. Inf. SPEZIA Div)

1. This H.Q. has been requested to apply for the repatriation of the above named Italian Officers (PsW), in order that they may serve in one of the Combat Groups.
2. Before such a request is made by this H.Q. will you please forward your report on these two Officers stating whether or not they are suitable for such employment and whether their repatriation is in the interest of the Allied Cause.

S.P. Archer Capt

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

SPA/ab

Lee Galt 372/14578
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H10 4 attached

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ACTION SLIP

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

27 Jan 45.

I.P.O.W. 90625 - RENATO PURI

TO WMD & IPOW Sub Commission, A.C.

Attached letter is passed to you for action.

S.P. Archer

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

Renato Puri

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Translation

From: M of W.
To: MMIA for information

AO/11/1

Ref: 401798/RPGR.
Date: 25 Jan 45.

389/1

Subject: Italian soldiers in Ragusa Concentration Camp. 362/1

Further to letter 401092 dated 24 Dec 44,
herewith attached, copy of parts of a statement received in this
office in respect of the treatment given to Italian soldiers held
in Ragusa Concentration Camp by Croat Partisans.

It appears from the statement in question that
approximately 50 Italians are still held at Ragusa.

(Sgd) A. MANNERINI.

Sgt. FRORE

Noted
JAH
3/11

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From: - Ten. Col. F. WARDON.
To: - M of W.

Date: - 6th Jan. 45

Extracts from a statement in respect of the treatment given to Italian soldiers held at Ragusa Concentration Camp.

..... "Ever since the beginning, Partisans carried out a systematic mopping up of Italian soldiers in using proclamations, exhibiting posters also arresting them in the streets. These Partisans replaced the Germans in guard duties of the Concentration Camp, putting four times the number of sentries. This camp was generally used as a transit camp and Italian soldiers arrested, were then dispatched to the Islands of Dalmacy (especially CURZON Island) where they were employed in heavy reconstruction work.

Having remained with the Partisans at the Cintran Hospital, I do not know exactly how the Italians in the Islands were treated. But having heard many a time speak about them, I can state that they were possibly more ill-treated than normal p.o.w.s owing to the fact that they were employed in heavy labour work and badly fed.

On arrival at Ragusa, the Partisans searched twice these Italian soldiers of Forte LOVERNA Camp (app. 300 men). The first search was carried out by Partisan officers who took from these men valuable articles and money. The second search, carried out by Partisan O.K.s and remaining effects, including personal clothing, were taken away.

I can say for myself that I was freed by the Partisans to work as a medical orderly without break from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily".

POW: ... (Italians who, unfortunately, are prisoners of the Partisans have often got to put up with hardship and bad conditions of life ^{are} endured to which a preference is given to German POW camps. Few are those who do not regret the latter."

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Sheet 2

"At the time of my embarkation, there was approximately 50 Italian at Ragusa almost all depending from the Partisans in the Area.

Capt. M.O. ABRASCIANO SABINO of Brindisi (Bari) and Lt. M.O. MATTONI ALVARO of Modena were at Ragusa Civ. Hospital held by the Partisans.

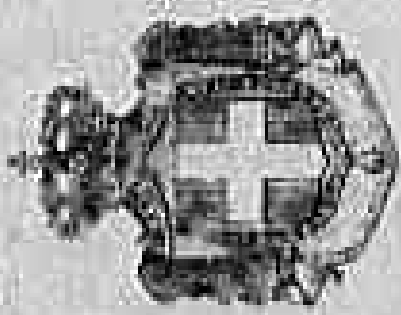
Before my escape, Capt. ABRASCIANO was compelled by the Partisans, after having put on their uniform, to follow them in the direction of NIKSIC (I do not remember exactly the locality).

From rumors I heard later in the hospital circle, it appears that the afo. officer would have been shot by the Partisans because according to their say, he did not behave well during the Italian occupation.

I don't think I have any more ~~important~~ important things to add. But I would like to close this short statement reminding you that the Italians actually at Ragusa, especially those in the Islands, await anxiously that someone consider their position and have them repatriated as soon as possible.

(Sgd) F. BORDONI.

Sgt. FANKE



Ministero della Guerra

UFF. AUTON. REDUCI PRIGIONIA DI
GUERRA E RIMPATRIATI

Div. 1. 7. 9. 8
Proced. Alleg. 11

T. Margherita
Roma, 25 gennaio 1941
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AL WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN P.W. SUB COMMISSION

ROMA

Risposta al foglio del
Dir. 24

OCCETTO Militari italiani nel campo di concentramento di Ragusa.

e, per conoscenza :



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

ROMA

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A seguito del foglio n. 4010/2 in data 24 dicembre u.s., si trasmette
estralcio di una relazione pervenuta a questo ufficio in merito al tratta-
mento subito dai militari italiani nel campo di concentramento di Ragusa
sorvegliato dai partigiani croati.

Dalla suddetta relazione risulta che circa cinquanta italiani si tro-
vano ancora a Ragusa.

IL GENERALE

CAP. DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO

e, per conoscenza :

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

.....

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mento subito dai militari italiani nel campo di concentramento di Ragusa
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Dalla suddetta relazione risulta che circa cinquanta italiani si tro-
vano ancora a Ragusa.-

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTOCORNO

(A. Hammerling)



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STRALCIO

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Ufficio Autonomo Reduci Prigionia di Guerra e Rimpatriati

Trattamento subito da militari italiani nel campo di concentramento di Ragusa.-

....." I partigiani effettuarono sin dall'inizio un sistematico rastrellamento dei militari italiani a mezzo di bandi, manifesti murali, e fermamenti anche materialmente per le strade.- Essi si sostituirono ai tedeschi nella guardia del campo di concentramento, quadruplicando il numero delle sentinelle.- Il campo serviva per le più come posto di transito, poichè i militari italiani rastrellati venivano inviati nelle Isole Dalmate (specie CURZOLA) per essere adibiti a pesanti lavori di ricostruzione e di riadattamento.-

Io, essendo rimasto anche coi partigiani presso l'Ospedale Civile, non so il preciso trattamento usato nei riguardi degli italiani nelle Isole.- Ma per sentito più volte dire, posso affermare che essi sono trattati forse peggio dei normali prigionieri, in quanto sono sottoposti a fatiche durissime e mal ricompensati da scarse distribuzioni di vitte insufficiente.-

All'atto del loro arrivo in RAGUSA, i partigiani fecero oggetto gli italiani del campo di Forte LOVERNAC (circa 300) di una duplice espropriazione: una prima effettuata dagli ufficiali partigiani e rivolta particolarmente agli oggetti di valore e al denaro; la seconda svolta ad opera della truppa e tendente a privare i nostri militari del rimanente, non esclusi gli indumenti personali.-

Io personalmente, in merito al trattamento dei partigiani, posso dire che ero obbligato a esplicare la mia attività di infermiere ininterrottamente dalle ore 6 del mattino alle ore 8 di sera di ogni giorno.-"....."

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....." Gli italiani che hanno la sventura di trovarsi prigionieri dei partigiani confrontano spesso il trattamento che attualmente subiscono, con le condizioni di vita che riserbava loro la prigionia tedesca.- E non sono pochi quelli che quasi rimpiangono quest'ultima.-"....."

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....." All'atto del mio imbarco gli italiani ancora in Ragusa ammontavano ad una cinquantina circa, quasi tutti alle dipendenze dei partigiani o degli alleati.-

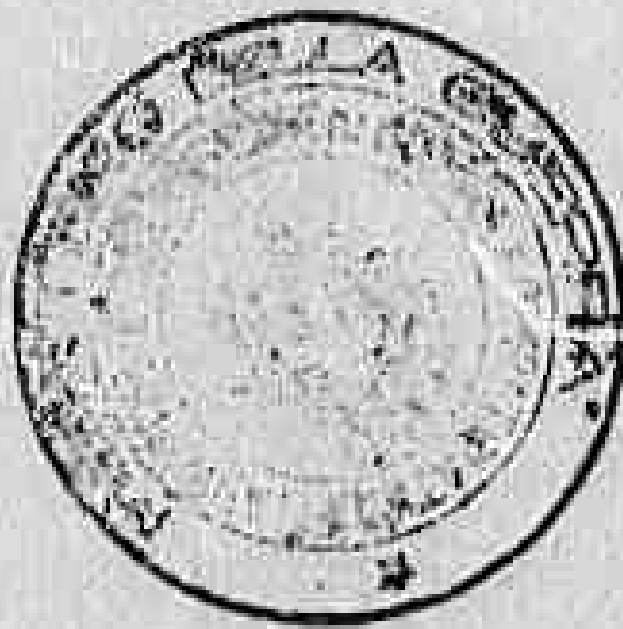
All'ospedale civile di Ragusa - tenuto dai partigiani - si trovavano il capitano medico ABRASCIANO Sabino di Andria (Bari) ed il tenente medico MAGNONI Alvaro di Modena.-

Prima ancora che io me ne fuggissi, il capitano ABRASCIANO fu obbligato dai partigiani, dopo aver indossato la loro uniforme, a seguirli in direzione di NIKSIC (non ricordo peraltro la precisa località).-

Da voci che circolavano in seguito, negli ambienti dell'ospedale, mi risulta che il suddetto capitano sarebbe stato fucilato dai partigiani perché, a loro dire, si sarebbe comportato malamente durante l'occupazione italiana.-

Non ritengo di avere altre notizie importanti da aggiungere.- Però voglio terminare questa mia breve relazione ricordando che gli italiani tuttora in Ragusa, e specialmente quelli delle isole, attendono con ansia comprensibile che qualcuno si interessi di loro e provochi con urgenza il loro rimpatrio.-

Bari, li 6 gennaio 1945



P. C. C.

TENENTE COLONNELLO

(F. Bordini)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OPERATIONS DIVISION

Date 25 January 1945

This information copy to:

Deputy President, Allied Commission,

APO 394, FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission
(ISIA)

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Initials

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RESTRICTED
HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

1040 FORGEE 389
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AR 11/1

In reply
refer to

AG 323.6/056 200-0

28 January 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Agricultural Specialist.

TO : Commanding General, HTOUSA, APO 887.

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24/1

1. The Allied Commission has requested that Capitano BONACI, Mario, 31-1-48927, be released for employment in Italy as an agricultural specialist.

2. Subject to your security clearance and concurrence, request he be shipped to Naples and this headquarters, Allied Commission, and Southern District, Peninsular Base Section be notified of expected time of arrival.

For the Theater Commander:

R. E. PERSE,
Captain, AGO,
Asst Adjutant General.

1 Incl
Ltr fr Hq Allied Commission,
dtd 13 Dec 44, subj: "Request
for registration of Italian POW
Specialist"

cc CG Southern District, Peninsular Base
Section.

cc G-5
TAG
Pensouth

26 JAN 1945

Noted
AR
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SUBJECT: Repatriated Italian PW.

AR/11/1
26/1

3 District,
Tel Ext 22,
171/A.
23 Jan 45.

MMIA.

AFHQ.

May. TAVERNA.

Major A TAVERNA
Cap L De LORENZO.
Cap C MAUTINO
Lt S DEZZA.
Lt O CORNARO di MONTEZEMOLO.

1. The above named Italian officers have arrived from MIDDLE EAST under authority GHO MET, AG5C dated 20 Dec 44, with instructions to report to AFHQ. A copy of the above mentioned MIDDLE EAST letter was, however, not received by AFHQ who on notification of the arrival of the officers signalled MIDDLE EAST for disposal instructions.
2. No reply has yet been received from MIDDLE EAST but it is presumed that these officers are for duty with the Italian Military Authorities. They have, therefore, been instructed to report to HQ MMIA forthwith and final disposal instructions will be passed to you by AFHQ on receipt of a reply from MIDEAST.

SGT/SM.

Maj Gen.
Comd.

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Subject:- Repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/1

C.G. MTOUSA, APO 512
U.S. Army.

23 Jan 45.

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Reference: your file A.G. 201-P-BALDUCCI Enzo (Italian Officer)
" : your 5 Ind, dated 23 Nov/44, above file
" : your Messageform, dated 9 Jan/45, above file
" : your 1 Ind, dated 16 Jan/45, above file.

1. The original communication, 5 Ind dated 23 Nov/44, was forwarded to H.Q. Allied Commission by 6 Ind, this H.Q., dated 8 Dec/44. It has been ascertained that H.Q. Allied Commission took action by 7 Ind, addressed to you, dated 22 Jan/45, copy attached. This clears all references stated above.
2. The WMD and IPOW Sub Commission of the Allied Commission handles all matters in connection with the repatriation of prisoners of war.
3. In this connection attention is invited to MTOUSA letter of 15 Jan., file A.G. 383,6/056 A-O, Subject: Release of Italian Agricultural Specialist, which states the policy of MTOUSA in regard to the repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War.

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

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See Attach.

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IPW/1/1/518

7th Ind.

RBD/anc.

Headquarters Allied Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army, Office of
WMD & IPON Sub-Commission, 22 January 1945.

TO: ~~Commanding General, Headquarters MTOUSA~~
~~APO 512, U.S. Army.~~

1. The Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War has agreed to the repatriation of this Italian PW.
2. This Headquarters recommends that Italian PW BALDUCCI be repatriated for the purpose of joining the combattant forces of the Italian Army.
3. Upon repatriation to Italy Lt. BALDUCCI should be sent to Headquarters Allied Commission, Rome.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Chantrelle
map

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director
WMD & IPON Sub-Comm.

2 Incls. n/c
✓ Copy 7th Ind. to HQ. NMIA

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AG 201-Balducci (Italian O) 6th Ind. CPK/lak
(24 Oct 1944) 8 Dec 44
HQ, LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, AC (MMIA), APO 394, U. S. Army/

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army
(Attention: Prisoner of War Sub Commission)

1. The Italian War Ministry is willing to accept the return of the officer concerned, and will assign him to duty with a combat unit.

2. It appears that this officer is now a Prisoner of War. Since repatriation, for any cause, of Prisoners of War is within your jurisdiction, your comments are requested.

For the Commanding General:

CLAYTON P. KERR
Colonel, Infantry

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A/72/1

8 HEADQUARTERS
50th Ordnance Ammunition Company Italian

C O P Y

AP0 226
24 Oct 1944

SUBJECT: Request for Permission to join active Service.
THROUGH: Commanding Officer, Depot, O-675, AP0 226, U. S. Army.
TO : Theatre Provost Marshall General, MTOUSA, U. S. Army.

1. The Italian Officer, Lt BALDUCCI, desires to be allowed to join active service with the Italian Corps of Liberation.
2. Approved as a matter pertaining to your command.

/s/ Paul E. Weihe
PAUL E. WEIHE
2nd Lt., QMC
Commanding

AG 201 - Balducci (Italian O) 1st Ind.
(19 Oct 44)

Hq. Depot O-675, AP0 226, U. S. Army. 25 October 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, 540th QM Group, AP0 871, U. S. Army
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Southern District, AP0 519, US Army.

Forwarded for necessary action.

/s/ Joe H. Green
JOE H. GREEN
Major, 'Ord. Dept.,
Commanding

Incl: n/c.

AG 201-Balducci (Italian O)(S-1) 2d Ind.
Hq. Southern District, U.K. Base, AP0 519, U. S. Army, 26 OCT 1943

TO: Commanding General, United Kingdom Base, AP0 413, U. S. Army.

Recommend favorable consideration.

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For the Commanding Officer:

/s/ Leighton L. Tapp
LEIGHTON L. TAPP,
2nd Lt, AGD,
Asst. Adjutant.

Incls: n/c

A/72/2

From Min. of War
To MMMA
Translation
Ref. 401871/RPGR
Date Jan 20, 1944
Subject Col. BERTI GIUSEPPE 379

Further to letter 401652 dated 13th inst.

Please note that from further
info received from an officer who
was recently repatriated from GREECE,
it seems that COL BERTI GIUSEPPE
is a prisoner of the ANTARTES 1st Inf.
Dir in LARISSA (GREECE).

cpl. V.C.

Sgd GEN. MAINMERINI

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NFA
SW 360
27/11

See Folio 452 - attached

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Ministero della Guerra
Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigionia
di Guerra e Rimpatriati

Divisione 101871/RPGR *Allegati*

T. P. Arch. Supl.
Roma 20 gennaio 1952 1
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Alla LAND FORCES

SUB COMMISSION

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

R O M A

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Rappresentante
Dir. Sec. N°

OGGETTO Colonnello BERTI GIUSEPPE.

Seguito foglio n.401652 in data 13
corrente.-

Si comunica che, da ulteriori notizie
fornite da un ufficiale rimpatriato recen-
tamente dalla Grecia, risulta che il Colon-
nello BERTI GIUSEPPE è prigioniero della
1^a Divisione di Fanteria Antartes in Laris-
sa (Grecia).-

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
(A. Mannerini)

A. Mannerini

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Subject:- Prisoners of War - Italian.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(N.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/1

20 Jan 45.

W.M.D. and I.P.W.
Sub Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

PT N°364567 Sold SPAGNUOLO
Ernesto.

The attached letter from G.H.Q. O2E M.E.F. ref N°02MF/Z
168/of 5 Jan/45 is passed to you for necessary action please.

S.P. Archer Cyt

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

Copy to:- G.H.Q.
2nd Echelon for info.
M.E.F.

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MISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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Oggetto

Prigionieri di guerra - Statistica.

In relazione alla richiesta fatta con la lettera in riferimento, si trasmette l'annesso specchio indicante il numero dei prigionieri di guerra fatti dall'Esercito italiano nella zona del Mediterraneo dalla data d'armistizio al 25 agosto 1944.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

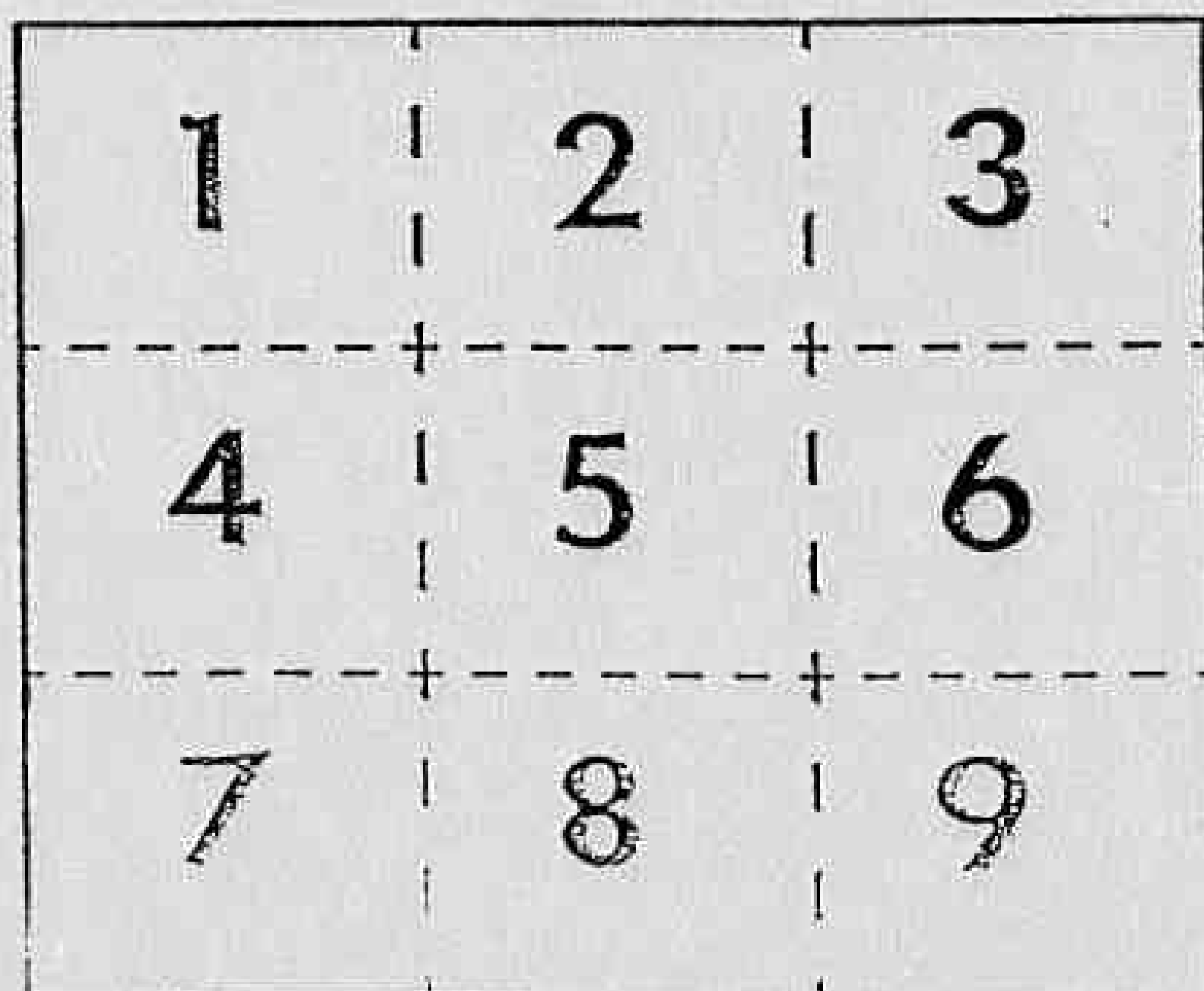
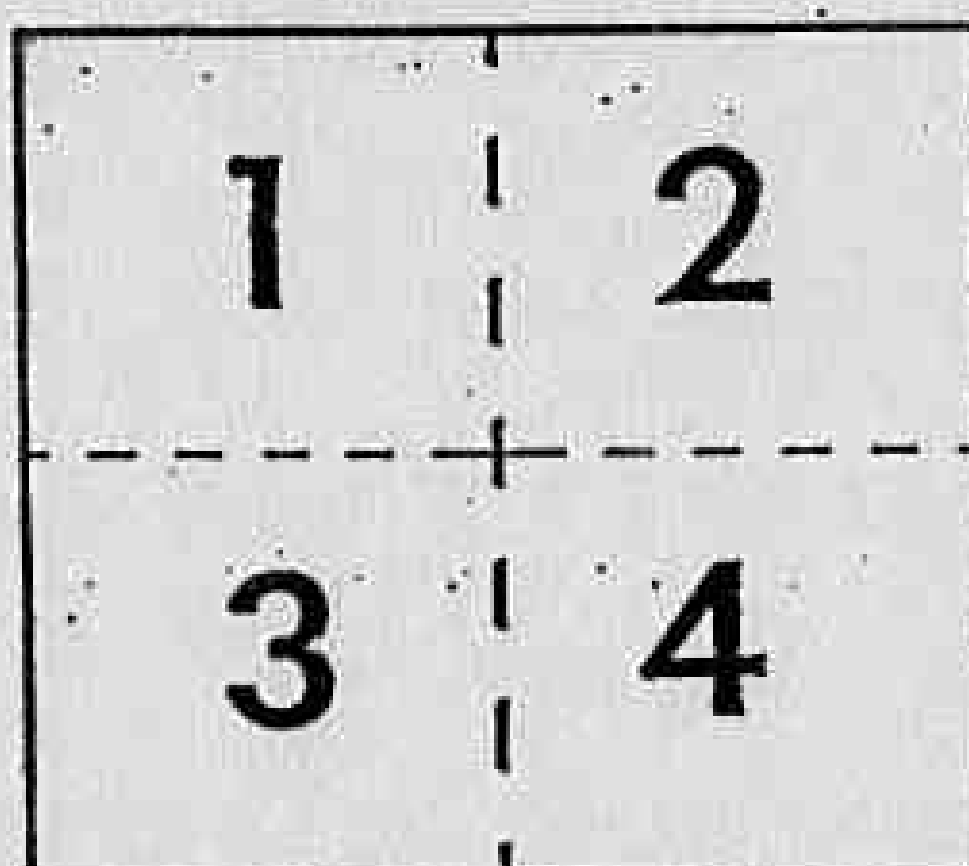
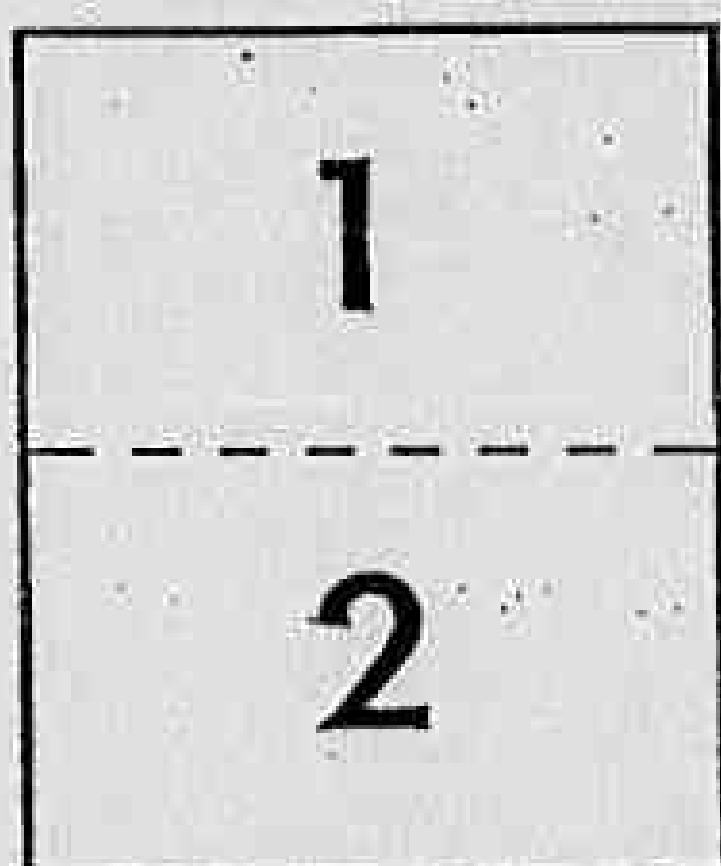
In conformity with request as per letter AQ/11/1 of the 10 Jan., we forward the enclosed report showing the number of P.O.W.s made by the Italian Army in the Mediterranean Theater from the Armistice to the ~~at~~ 25 August 1944.

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See Folio 393
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ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto
Ufficio II - Statistica

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED BY THE ITALIAN
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER DURING THE PERIODS AND BY THE UNITS AS BELOW.
SPECCHIO INDICANTE IL NUMERO DEI PRIGIONIERI TEDESCHI PATTI DALLE FORZE
NELLA ZONA DEL MEDITERRANEO NEI PERIODI E DAI REPARTI SOTTO

(riferimento foglio L.F.S.C. - A.C. (M.M.I.A.) in data 10 gen
AQ/11/1 Re: MMIA letter AQ/11/1 dated 10

(a) PRECEDENTEMENTE ALL'11 MAGGIO 1944 PRIOR TO THE 11 MAY 1944

REPARTO ITALIANO ITALIAN UNIT	ARMATA ALLEATA DI APPARTENENZA ALLIED ARMY TO WHICH ATTACHED	NUMERO DEI PRIGIONIERI NUMBER OF PRISONERS
Truppe della Corsica	5^	309
209 Divisione	8^	210 (1)
C.I.L. Recon. squadron	8^	3
Squadrone ricognizione F.	8^	15
Banda della Maiella Maiella Band	8^	4
TOTAL		541

(b) DAL 12 MAGGIO 1944 AL 25 AGOSTO 1944
FROM THE 12 MAY TO THE 25 AUGUST 1944.

No. 785020

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto

Ufficio II - Statistica

IN

NUMBER OF GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED BY THE ITALIAN ARMY FORCES DURING THE
DURING THE PERIODS AND BY THE UNITS AS BELOW.

NUMERO DEI PRIGIONIERI TEDESCHI FATTI DALLE FORZE DELL'ESERCITO ITALIANO

EL MEDITERRANEO NEI PERIODI E DAI REPARTI SOTTOINDICATI

glio L.F.S.C. - A.C. (M.M.I.A.) in data 10 gennaio 1945)
AQ/11/1 Re: MMIA letter AQ/11/1 dated 10 Jan. 1945

AGGIO 1944 PRIOR TO THE 11 MAY 1944

ARMATA ALLEATA DI APPARTENENZA	NUMERO DEI PRIGIONIERI	NOTE
ALLIED ARMY TO WHICH ATTACHED	NUMBER OF PRISONERS	
5 ^a	309	Incl 1 officer
8 ^a	210 (1)	(1) di cui un ufficiale of whom 1 officer
8 ^a	3	(This is the only figure available showing officer P.W.)
8 ^a	15	
8 ^a	4	
	541	

AGOSTO 1944

THE 25 AUGUST 1944

TOTAL	541
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DAL 12 MAGGIO 1944 AL 25 AGOSTO 1944
FROM THE 12 MAY TO THE 25 AUGUST 1944.

C.I.L.	5
C.I.L.	34
209 Divisione Recon. Squadron	40
Squadronne ricognizione F.	23
" " "	3
" " "	-

TOTAL	105
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GRAND TOTAL GENERALE 646

N.B. I dati sono stati desunti da indicazioni numeriche e reparti e in talune relazioni illustrative.

Dette indicazioni non riportano la suddivisione dei prigionieri per nazionalità (si ha però motivo di ritenere che trattasi solamente di una - in ufficiali e truppa).

Non è stato possibile accertare a quale ente alleato i prigionieri di cui trattasi.

The data were obtained from numerical reports contained in some descriptive reports; These indications do not divide the prisoners into nationalities (we have reason to believe that they are only Germans) and -except one- into Officers and men. It has not been possible to ascertain to which Allies the prisoners were turned over.

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OSTO 1944

25 AUGUST 1944.

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Subject:- Prisoners of War. - Repatriation.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/1

19 Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Capt. GIRONI Enzo
2/Lt. BEDOMI Carlo.

1. Under their reference G-5/014/33 dated 8 Jan/45, AFHQ have agreed to the repatriation of the above named Officers from Pantelleria.
2. You will please arrange for those officers to be brought to the Mainland, and taken on the strength of the Italian Medical Corps, for employment as Medical Officers of the Italian Army.

S.P. Archer Capt.

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

SPA/ab

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SUBJECT:- Release of PW

Commandant,
211 P. Camp.

TL65015 MAGG Art BONELLI, Giorgio
T240253 Ten ptr ROSSI, Alberto

1. Authority has been given in AFHQ letter CR/3863/GI(Br) dated 14 Jan 45 for the repatriation to Italy of the above mentioned Italian Officers for employment with the Italian Army.

2. They should be held ready in your Camp for calling forward by the Port Commandant at an early date. Shipping bid will be made by this HQ.

3. They will be released at Port of Disembarkation and instructed to report to the Military Mission to the Italian Army (Allied Commission), Rome for duty.

4. Please ensure that each of these officers is in possession of a letter certifying the authority for his release together with a statement showing credit balance on the closing of his account.

5. Documents should be disposed of in the normal manner and necessary casualties rendered to CH 2nd Echelon (copy to 2nd Echelon).

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3. They will be released at Port of Disembarkation and instructed to report to the Military Mission to the Italian Army (Allied Commission); ROME for duty.
4. Please ensure that each of these officers is in possession of a letter granting the authority for his release together with a statement showing credit balance on the closing of his account.
5. Documents should be disposed of in the normal manner and necessary casualties rendered to CHQ 2nd Echelon (copy to Rits Section North Africa).

In the field,

Copies to:- AFHQ, GI (Ex)
CHQ 2nd Echelon.
Headquarters,
Mc. 3 District.
56 Area.

MAIL
Rits Section, North Africa.
Officer Commanding,
86 Port Security Section.

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Major,
D.L. & QMG,
HQ, BTR.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Suspense _____

Date 17 January 45

FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Staff Officer to A/CC		Establishment Section	
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)	
Message Centre		Executive Officer (B)	
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)	
DP & Rep		G-1 (A) Civilian Emp.	
Local Govt		G-1 (B)	
Patriots Branch		G-4 (A)	
Public Safety		G-4 (B)	
Security Division		2675th Regt	
Public Health		H.Q. Comdt	
Legal		Adjutant	
Education		Navy	
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (IMIA)	✓
Economic Section		Air	
Requisition Division		Communications	
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group	
Commerce		W.M.D. & P.O.W.	
Finance		Public Relations Branch	
Property Control Div.		Information Division	
Food		Archivist	
Industry		U.N.R.R.A.	
Mining Division		I.G.C.R.	
Labor			
Public Works & Utilities			
Shipping			
Transportation			
Political Section			

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Remarks & Recommendation _____
Information _____
Approval/Disposal _____
Appropriate Action _____
Investigation & Report _____
Dispatch _____

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Remarks _____

SUBJECT:- Relax or

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CP/3863/GI(Br).

14 Jan 45.

Headquarters,
North Africa District.

57 and 64.

1. Authority is given for the release of the under mentioned Italian PW for employment with the Italian Army:-

Magg. Art. T.185015 BOWELL Giorgio, 211 PW Camp.
Ten. Ptr. T.240253 BOSSI Alberto " " "

2. On release they should be instructed to report to the Military Mission to the Italian Army (Allied Commission), Rome, for duty.

HEADQUARTERS

16 JAN 1945

A. G.

A.S. BURGESS,
Lieut-Colonel, A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.I(Br)

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Copy to:- G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon. (2)
✓ M.M.I.A. (Requested by IPW Sub-Commission.
Ref. IPW/1/6/57 dated 13 Nov 44.)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff.

Ref: 212/ - /COB

Inter Office Memo

17 Jan 1945.

Subject: Coordination with Land Forces
Sub Commission (MIA)

AQ 11/1

TO: Civil Affairs Section (4)
Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA)

1. All communications to AMHQ and 15 Army Group relating to Patriots, Carabinieri and Italian prisoners of war will be coordinated with Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA) before despatch, and will issue from HQ Allied Commission.
2. Such communications will not issue from Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA), nor from any other Sub Commission or Branch.
3. Civil Affairs Section will be responsible for coordinating all patriot and Carabinieri matters between Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA), Patriots Branch, Public Safety Sub Commission and any other interested Sub Commission.
4. In the event of failure to reach agreement the matter will be referred to the Chief of Staff.

Sgt. H. TALBOT
for Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

(Drafted by Chief of Staff)

Copies to:- C-5 Section AMHQ
Political Section
Economic Section
War Materials Disposal and Italian PW Sub Commission

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(28 Dec 44)

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Hq MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army, 16 January 1945.

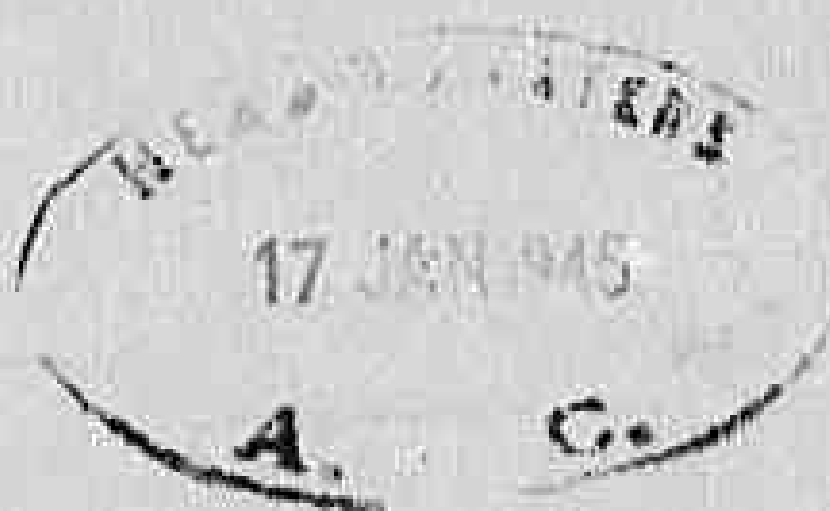
TO: Chief, MMIA, c/o Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Communication cited in basic communication was forwarded to your headquarters by 5th indorsement, this headquarters, dated 23 November 1944.

2. Expedite reply to this headquarters for transmittal of information to the writer of basic communication.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

G. E. Rogers
G. E. ROGERS,
1st Lt. AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.



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HEADQUARTERS
COMMUNICATIONS ZONE
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

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AG 383.6 MPM

APD 887
28 Dec 1944
S-7 Jan 45

SUBJECT: Delayed Correspondence.

TO : Commanding General, Mediterranean T of Opns, US Army, APO 512.

1. Records of this headquarters indicate that a reply has not been received to 4th indorsement, this headquarters, file as above, dated 10 November 1944, to letter, Hq 50th Ordnance Ammunition Company (Italian), subject: "Request for Permission to Join Active Service", dated 24 October 1944, concerning the request of an Italian officer, Lt Balducci, to be permitted to join the Italian Corps of Liberation.

2. Information is requested as to when a reply may be expected to above cited communication.

For the Theater Commander:

Donald C. Gallup
DONALD C. GALLUP,
Major, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.
DEC 29 1944

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MEDITERRANEAN HEADQUARTERS
THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

In reply
refer to

AG 383.6/056 A-0

15 January 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Agricultural Specialist.

TO : Deputy President, Allied Commission.
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MELA)

This informs you that G-5 ETOUSA by separate letter has informed this headquarters that it will permit repatriation of Italian Prisoners of War in Service Units in European Theater of Operations only for medical reasons. Therefore prisoner of war D'ALEO, Giovanni, is not available for repatriation.

For the Theater Commander:

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HEADQUARTERS
17 JAN 1945
A. G.

[Signature]
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

① P.W. Sub Comm et al
The above letter is based
on the policy not to repatriate
civilian Specialists.

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Reply sent
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JTA

③ PW S.C.
Say when
reply to one
of these letters
they have replied
PW

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SUBJECT:- Transfer of Italian Co-operators to Italian Army.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3731/G1(Br).

14 Jan 45.

Headquarters,
M.M.I.A.

1. The personnel shown on the attached nominal roll are being brought to ITALY for release from PW status and transfer to the Italian Army. They will be employed by RME as instructors.

2. It is requested that on receipt of notification of the date of transfer you will make the necessary arrangements for their enlistment into the Italian Army.



P. Thorp

P. THORP,
Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

PT/ER.
Encl.

Copy to:- G3(Crg) (Cable FX 81524 dated 8 Jan 45 refers.)
DME (Please notify date in para 2 above.)
G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon.

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ITALIANS

OFFICERS:

Ten. SAVIO
Lt/Ten. CAROZZI

F. - Via Belloani, 1 - BIELLA (Vercelli)
M.A. - Via Vergiolesi, 11 - PISTOLA

NA/T 35774
NA/T 35777

SGT:

W.O. AIOSSA
Sgt. m. BORTESI
" " GIUDICI
" " LUISI
" " MARTINI
" " MASOLINI
" " FINI
" " POLIELLO

" " RAFFAGIELLI
" " SALERNO

F. - 3. Stefano Bolbo (Cuneo)
W. - Viale Vittoria, 9 - PARMA
G. - Via Prossaco - ELLO (Como)
V. - Via Vetora, 5 - VARESE
U. - Via Macci, 61 - FIRENZE
O. - Via Provinciale Pisana, 28 - PISA
C. - Via R. Parisano, 20 - RIMINI
M. - Via Strada Vercelli, 44 - CASALE MONFERRATO (Alessandria)

D. - Corso Magenta, 87 - MILANO
R. - Via Carlo Pisacane, 50 - VICTORIA (Ragusa)

T. 187006
NA/T 38351
NA/T 20441
NA/T 395
NA/T 62825
NA/T 823
T. 247004
T. 38466
T. 193335
T. 192383

Sgt. MASCHIERA
" GERIOLI
" G. STADON
" GATTOLLO
" MONTAUDI
" RAVELLI
" SCIPPIONI
" STABILI
" VARESE

F. - CACCI GEROLA + Braz. Gerola (Pavia)
G. - TORRE PICINARDI S. Irenzo (Cremona)
C. - Via Portico Sauro, 2 - TREVISO
G. - Piazza Vitt. Veneto, 15 - TORINO
E. - Via Morgani, 2 - MILANO
G. - Minoterio du Belvedere - TUNISI (A.S.)
C. - Via Leopardi, 2 - PETA S. GIOVANNI (Cacerata)
V. - Via Sacco, 2 - VARESE
F. - Via P.M. Paciaudi, 2 - PARMA

NA/T 34801
NA/T 33874
T. 17940
T. 183176
NA/T 40790
NA/T 39801
T. 193355
T. 245750
T. 193310

ORA.:

Sold. BERETTA
" DRASCHI
" CICERI
" FERRELLI
" FUMAGALLI
" CALABRESE
" GIBELANDI
Cap. m. MAGNO
" " MUSSINANO
" " MEVERINI
Sof. FUGLISI
Cap. RICCARDI
Cap. m. ROSSETTI
Cap. m. RUFFINI

M. - Via Salvembo, 57 - MILANO
C. - Via Della Vittoria, 63 - BIELLA per GIUVAZZA
E. - Via Triv. Grivola, 18 - MILANO
C. - Via Canev - GATTOLLO (Iantova)
P. - Via Bellavista, 42 - COST. MESSICA (Como)
V. - Piazza Mercato, 4/b - OGGIO (Como)
C. - Via Vitt. Veneto, 3 - TORTIDA (Bergamo)
A. - Via San Giamone, 28 - ROMA
D. - Via Roma, 39 - PIUMAZZA (Udine)
R. - Via S. Lucia, n. 10 - CASTELLEONE DI SUASA (Ancona)
F. - Via Simonello, 26 - RAFFADALE (Agrigento)
E. - Via Michele Coppino, 79 - TORINO
G. - Via Settembrini, 74 /d - MILANO
P. - Via Vitt. Veneto, 6 - SONDRIO

T. 186937
T. 188463
T. 186604
NA/T 20535
T. 180378
T. 240308
T. 186606
T. 192106
NA/T 36888
T. 103639
T. 211993
NA/T 192589
NA/T 40772
NA/T 28060

Translation.

From: - M of W.
To: - M M I A.

Ref. - 401652 / RPR.
Date: - 13th Jan. 45.

AQ 11/1

Subject: - Col. BERTI GIUSEPPE.

With reference to your letter AQ 11/1 dated 23rd Dec. 44, we beg to inform you that, a letter which was received by this office from a military repatriated from Greece, stated that on 10th Dec. 44, Col. BERTI, together with another Italian officer, were held prisoners by the ~~Andartes~~ and ill-treated by the Andartes.

(Sgd) A. MONNEKINI.

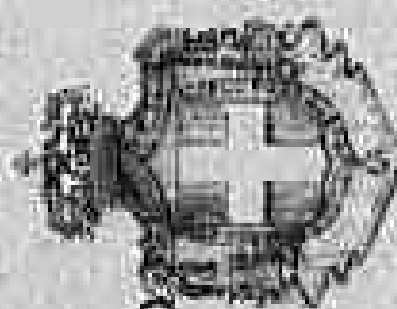
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Ministere della Guerra

Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigloria di
Guerra e Rimpatriati

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OGGETTO Colonnello Berti Giuseppe. -

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Proposta al Figlio del
Dn. *Sev.*

Dr. [illegible]

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In relazione al foglio di cotesta Sottocommissione A.Q./11/1 del 23 dicembre u.s. si comunica che è pervenuta a questo Ministero una lettera di un militare rimpatriato dalla Grecia il quale dichiara che, alla data del 10 dicembre u.s., il Colonnello BERETTI, unitamente ad altro ufficiale italiano, era tenuto prigioniero dagli Andartes e trattato con molta durezza.

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
(A. Lanzerini)

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14 Jan

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IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
(A. Mannerini)



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SUBJECT:- Release of PW.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3863/G1(Br).

13 Jan 45.

Headquarters,
No.1 District.

1. Reference your ID/6/1/1A dated 7 Jan 45. 372/1
2. The attached directive CR/3821/G1(Br) dated 7 Oct 44, deals with the new procedure for the release of Italian PW, and it will be noted that all applications now have to be co-ordinated by Allied Commission. 298/3
3. It is thought that the PW named will now be interned in EGYPT, and enquiries are being made of Prisoners of War Information Bureau, MIDDLE EAST with a view to their release when Allied Commission's concurrence has been obtained.

PT/ER.
Encl.

A.M. Finlaison

A.M. FINLAISON,
Brigadier, A.D.A.G.(O).,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

Copy to:- M.M.I.A. (Please submit to Headquarters, Allied Commission, if approved.)

*In PW
Artificial opinion
of officers in question
See 372/1
P.A.
27/1*

*See Folio 391
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JFE/ns

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

DPR/3/GII (IT)

Tel. 489081 Ext. 594

11 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Repatriation from PANTELLARIA - Capt. GIRONE, E.
and 2/Lt. BEDOMI, C.

TO: Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.) Rome. A.C.

AQ 11/1

12 Jan

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1. Reference your AQ/11/1 dated the 18th Dec. 44.
2. Attached is copy of letter from AFHQ, which states that no objection is raised on their part, to the repatriation of the a/m officers.
3. It is presumed that you will make all further arrangements for the transfer of the a/m officers to the Mainland.

For the Director:

James Sullivan
C. A. OLIVER,
Lt. Colonel, Capt.
G-1, Italian.

Incl:

1 copy of ltr G-5:014.33 dated
8-1-45 fr AFHQ.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

KPM/jjjr

8 January 1945

G-5: 014.33

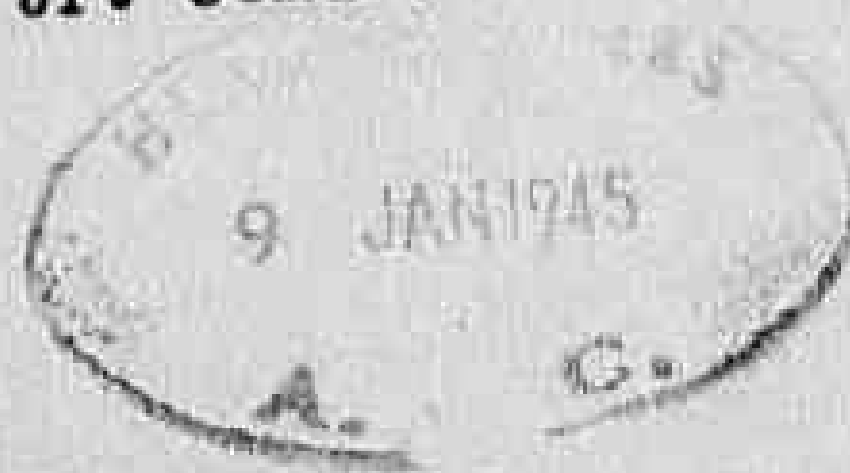
SUBJECT: Repatriation from PANTELLARIA - Capt. GIRONE, E.
and 2/Lt. BEDOMI, C.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference your DPR/3/G-II (IT) dated 20 Dec. 44.
2. This HQ. raises no objection to the transfer of the above named officers.
3. It is confirmed also, that these officers are not PW in British custody in this theatre.

For the Act'g Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

K. P. Mannock Jr.
K. P. MANNOCK
Jr. Comdr.



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Subject:- PoW - Statistics.

Lend Forces Sub Comm. /C.
(V.M.I./.)
R O W P
AQ/11/1

MINISTRY OF WAR.

10 Jan 45.

1. A return is being compiled by A.P.H.Q. showing a complete record of all captures made in the Mediterranean Theatre.
2. Figures are not available, however, which show the number of captures made by Italian Forces.
3. If you are able to supply the required information, please forward figures of Italian Captures to this H.Q. for onward transmission to A.P.H.Q.
4. PoW are required to be shown separately by nationalities, distinguishing between Officers and other ranks, and separate figures are required for 5 and 8 Armies for captures in Italy for the following periods:-
 - a) Prior to May 11/44
 - b) 12 May - 25 Aug/44

J.P. McLean Capt V.

C.P. ARDREAR, Capt.
for Major General,
V.M.I./.

Copy to:- A.P.H.Q.
your HQ/3776/31(Br)
of 6 Jan refers.

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Subject:- PsW - Repatriation.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.F.I.A.)

P.O. Box

20/11/1

10 Jan 45.

M.F.D. and I.P.W.
Sub - Comm.
H.Q. A.C.

Col. SANTONOCITO Giuseppe

Further to 20/11/1 of 20 Nov/44.

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1. Herewith further particulars in respect of the above named Italian Officer, whose name was Submitted for repatriation in the list attached to the above quoted letter.

No of Prisoner. 19655

No 26-5/c F.W. Camp C/o G.P.O. Bombay - India.

S.P. Archer

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
Per Major General,
M.F.I.A.

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MESSAGEFORM

HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
U. S. ARMY, APO 512

FILE NO. AG 201-P-Balducci, Enzo (Italian Off)

Office of origin AG Personnel Division (SR & C Branch)

Address APO 512, U. S. Army.

S: 10 February 1945
Date 9 January 1945

To:

Chief, MMIA, c/o Allied
Commission,

APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to 5th indorsement from this headquarters, file as above, dated 23 November 1944, on letter from Headquarters, 50th Ordnance Ammunition Company (Italian), subject: "Request for Permission to Join Active Service", dated 24 October 1944, requesting comment as to whether or not any Italian combat units are being formed for the purpose of serving with the Allies.

2. To date, no reply to above-cited correspondence has been received at this headquarters. It is desired a report of status of this case be furnished so as to reach this headquarters before 10 February 1945.

3. If reply to this headquarters has been forwarded prior to receipt by your headquarters of this letter, no further action is necessary.

By command of Lieutenant General McNARNEY:

(K)

Ripley sent
23 Jan
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HEADQUARTERS
10 JAN 1945
A. C.
SG. E. ROGERS,
1st Lt, AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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~~MEDITERRANEAN~~ HEADQUARTERS
NORTH AFRICAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

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10 February 1945
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Commission,

APO 394.

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G. E. ROGERS,
1st Lt, AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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(374)

Subject:- I.I.I. - Italian Officers.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.I.L.A.)

H. J. E.

12/11/1

9 Jan 49.

and 127
Sub Comm.
H. J. E.

H2 185452 S/Ten Quinto 1949

1. The above named co-optator, an officer of the Italian Medical Corps, is at present employed by Displaced Persons Sub Comm. who have agreed to release him for service with the Italian Combat Forces, for which he has volunteered.

2. It is requested that you will please arrange for the release from P.P. Status of S/Ten Quinto, who will then be re-employed by the Ministry of War as a Medical Officer in one of the Combat Groups.

SP Archer Capt.

M. J. Archer, Capt.
for Major General,
M.I.L.A.

Copy to:- Displaced Persons
Sub Comm. .2.

your M.P./P.P. of 31 Dec refers. — 366
Medical M.I.L.A.

Copy to - in 74.

3290

BPA/ab

366

Lee Folio 394
438 4 "Jacket" 398
444/1 396/1
400 396/1

(373)

Subject:- P.W. - Allied.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.W.I.A.)

R O M E

AQ/11/1

✓ Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

7375090 - Pte BLACK J. 2 Para Bgt.

Ref your 106844/1 of 25/Nov/44.

335

1. It has now been ascertained that the above named soldier was transferred from Camp 66 to Camp P.G.59, and subsequently to Camp P.G.53 on 18 July/43 prior to his release.

2. It is hoped that this information will enable you to arrange speedy refund of the sum of 6400 francs.

J.P. Hetherington

~~E.J. NOAKES, Col:~~
for Major General,
M.W.I.A.

Copy to:- G.H.Q.
2nd Echelon
C.M.F.

your OZE/3608/CAS of 5 Jan. refers.

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SPA/ab

SUBJECT: Release of Italian PW

1D/6/1/1/A

7 Jan 45

AFHQ G-1 (Br)

Lt-Col Giuseppe MASSART } 126 Regt Inf
Lt-Col Salvatore FARACI } SPEZIA Div

The a/n officers were captured during the North African Campaign at the WADI AKARID in April 1943.

It is requested that enquiry be made as to their present location and arrangements made for their release with a view to their resuming service with the FRIULI Gruppo.

This formation is in need of experienced officers and their services are particularly requested by the present Commander of the FRIULI Gruppo.

C.M.F.

CHy dman
Major General,
Commanding,
No 1 District.

PA 7/1
Copy to MMIA ✓

Lee G. G. 3293
391

372

SUBJECT:- PW - Statistics.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3776/G1(Br).

6 Jan 45.

Headquarters,
M.M.I.A.

1. The War Office is endeavouring to compile a complete return of all PW captured in the Mediterranean Theatre.
2. Separate figures for Italian captures are not available at this Headquarters. It would be appreciated if you would supply such figures as are obtainable by you.
3. PW are required to be shown separately by nationalities, distinguishing between officers and ORs, and separate figures are required for 5th and 8th Armies for captures in ITALY for the following periods:

- (a) Prior to 11 May 44.
- (b) 12 May - 25 Aug 44.

PT/ER.

*in the
asked to
supply
PTA
9/11*

P. Thorp

3292

P. THORP,
Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

*See Folio 376
393*

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Subject:- PoW.-Italians in Albania.

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

R O 3 2

AQ/11/1

6 Jan 45.

A.P.M.Q.

C.M.F.

for G1(Er)

The attached messages received at this H.Q. from
H.Q. Force 399, are forwarded for your information. As being
indicative of the morale of Italian Prisoners of War in
Albania.

S.P. Archer Capt

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

SFA/ab

3291

C O P Y

26/12 VERTEBRAE
110/27 157 Part I

Foll infm on views ITI PWs. 1. Almost to a man anxious return ITALY. 2. Disappointed their Govt has done nothing for them. 3. Allege ITI PWs GREECE being sent back ITALY. Say they are forgotten. 4. Resent their posn here. Doing work Pzns and ALBs too lazy or beneath dignity to themselves. 5. More bitter PWs say prefer ABYSSINIA.

Act. SEC.HD
POL
Add:ML
(ALB)
It.Col.
DEAKIN

943 26/12 Part II
1020/27 and Last

6. Allege present posn ITALY as a cobelligerent means anything their posn here inexplicable. 7. Some PW regard ALBs as less civilized than themselves which increases bitterness against their captors. Without commenting above from own observation ITIES much better off than Huns. Estimates of number ITI PWs in ALB vary btwn 5,000 and 10,000.

Gelson Wickens

I have removed photo 370/2
from ACP/III, and passed to
WMDTPW Sub Command

Letter from GHP 02EPW/2/168

02EPW/2/168
02EPW/2/168

Ref. to Spagnuolo

3289

2. He was posted to fill the vacancy of Sergeant ^{358A} on G Branch establishment of this N.Q.

3. It is requested that you will please authorise the promotion of Cpl Davies to rank of Sgt to fill this vacancy w.e.f. date of posting i.e. 7 Jan/45.

S.P. ANCHER, Capt.
DA & QMG,
HMIA

SP4/ab

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AS 7 Jan
BY A.D.A.S.

AG 11/1 *370/1*
O2E/3608/CAS

SECRET

Land Forces Sub Commission Allied Commission,
Military Mission to Italian Army,
ROME

5 Jan 45

7375090 Pte BLACK, J. - 2 Para Regt.

Reference your AQ/11/1 dated 29 Nov 44. *337*

The above named was transferred to Camp P.G. 59
and then to Camp P.G. 53 on 18 Jul 43 after leaving Camp 66,
both of which camps are in Poste Militaire Area 330.

*my file
is marked
to be credited
9/1*
C.M.F.

G. S. ...
G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon,
D.A.G.,
Brigadier,

3288

See Folio 373

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: - Strengthen Italian Army Officers

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(HETA)
AQ/11/1

4 Jan 44

AFHQ for G1(BR)

359/2

Ref your letter CR/3863/G1(BR) of 22 Dec.

1. Italian Army Establishment strength (Officers) is 15,920.
2. The effective strength of officers in the Italian Army is 15,040 vide HETA Order of Battle No. 2/5 - G/11 dated 27 Dec 44.
3. A deficiency of 880 officers is thereby apparent.
4. It is however pointed out that the effective strength contains an undue proportion of inefficient and unsuitable officers. Every effort is being made to increase the efficiency of the Italian Army and these officers are being slowly removed. The disparity between actual and W.E. strength is thereby increasing. There is at the same time a grave shortage of specialist officers and especially of English speaking Italian officers.

3287

AEC

Major General Capt
HETA

Internal copy

G/6
SD/50

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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794 US ARMY

Ref: 32A5

2 Jan 45

Subject: Discipline - Italian Co-operators

MMIA

*Amendment sent
to Admin
Co-operators*

7/11/1

The following copy of AFHQ CR/3007/G1(Br) of 26 Dec 44 is forwarded for information and necessary action.

*Admin Desk
copy amended
PA
7/1*

RVW/ag

B.V. Wood
B.V. WOOD
Staff Capt
for Lt-Col
AA & QMG
3286

A C T I O N S L I P

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

2 Jan 45.

TO WHD & IPW SUB COMMISSION, A. C.

The attached letter from AFHQ is passed to you for attention please, as this HQ does not deal with Italian PsW/Co-operators.

S.P. Archer

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

3285

from: MOW
to: MMIA (att. Col. Hoakes)

AQ11/1

Translation 368
ref. 3856/I/50
31 Dec. 44

Subject: Repatriation from POW^{camps} of Communist
sariat officers. -

326/2

With ref. to note dated July 1st, hereunder
details regarding reg. Army Lt. SANTONOCI
TO Giuseppe (Supplies) who was recommended
for repatriation from POW camps.

- n. of prisoner: 19655

- n 26-5/c . PW camp c/o GPO. Bombay. Ind.

Gen PELLIGRA.

Info sent
to WMD+IPN.S.C.
9/1/44

See Folio 33284

NO/LD



Mod 0

Roma, 31 dicembre 1944

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
= Ispettorato =

Direzione 3886 / I/Se. Allegati

PRO-MEMORIA PER IL
TEN. COL. NOAKES - Land Forces
Sub. Commission A.C. H.Q./
(M.M.I.A.) ROMA

Risposta al f. del

Da Per N°

OGGETTO Rimpatrio da prigionia di guerra ufficia
li di commissariato.

A seguito del pro-memoria in data 1° luglio
u.s. si comunicano i seguenti dati riflettenti il
Ten. Col. Commissario s.p. SANTONOCITO Giuseppe a
suo tempo proposto per il rimpatrio dalla prigio
nia:

- n. del prigioniero 19655
- n. 26-5/C - P.W. Camp C/O - G.P.O. Bombay - India

p. IL MINISTRO

T. ellige

3283

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Subject:- Italian Officer in Albania.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.F.I.A.)
R O M E
20/11/1

MINISTRY OF WAR.

31 Dec 44.

2/Lt. CARUSO Domenico.
Medico.

1. As there are no reasons of military importance why the above named Officer should receive preferential treatment, it is considered that 2.Lt. Caruso must await his turn to be repatriated together with other Officers and men in Albania.

2. Will you please inform Dott. Luigi Caruso accordingly.

JP Archer Capt

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
For Major General,
M.F.I.A.

SP/ab

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See Folio 363 3282

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WHS/gd'a

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/PF/A

Tel. 478607

31 December 1944

SUBJECT : Italian Military Personnel Ex PW.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission
HQ ., A.C.

AR 11/1

No. 185482 S/Ten QUINTO, Enzo

1. Enclosed is an application from the above named for service in the Italian Forces.

2. He is an Ex PW Medical Officer employed by this Sub-Commission as a Doctor with one of our Forward Groups.

3. He is aged 30 years and his medical category is A.

For the Director.

K.C. BROWN
Major
O.i/c ADM

3281

See File 3714
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PH Sub Com
asked to check
from PW Station
DPR
8/1

4A

F7E Quarantine General.

DPRSC AC

Lo scrivente S/T medico Quinto Red Dulo
ha rifiutato domanda di venire
autorizzato a lasciare il servizio
de attualmente posto presso il No 1
Forward Group DPRSC F.C. al
fine di poter mettere a disposizione
delle proprie Autorità militari e tenere

Lo scrivente S/T medico Quinto Red Solo
 ha ricevuto domanda di venire
 autorizzato a lasciare il servizio
 attualmente posto presso il N° 1
 Forward Group DPRSC F.C. al
 fine di poter mettere a disposizione
 delle proprie Autorità Militari e tenere
 da queste l'assegnazione ad un
 Reparto operante in Italia. —

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Agente ~~da~~ ante —
 MO n. 1 Forward Group
 DPRSC F.C.

23/12/944

Translation at LB

TRANSLATION

TO HQ, D.P.R.S.C., A.C.

The u/s, S/Lt Enzo Quinto, Medical Officer, asks to be authorized to leave the duty he is now doing on the No. 1 Forward Group, D.P.R.S.C., A.C. for putting himself at disposal of the Italian Military Authorities and joining an Italian C.C.S. in the forward area.

(Signed):

Quinto dott. Enzo
MO No. 1 Forward Group
D.P.R.S.C., A.C.

3273

365/1

Subject:- Italian Officers -
PoW - Repatriation.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.V.I.A.)

ROME

12/11/1

30 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Ref. your 3987/1/SE of 10 Dec/44	—	348
3624/1/SE of 13 Dec/44	—	350
3659/1/SE of 16 Dec/44.	—	353

This H.Q. has received the following information:-

- a) Application has been made for the repatriation of Capt. PESCE Giuseppe.
- b) The additional information in respect of Capt. PIASZA Fernando has been forwarded to M.V.I.A.
- c) The repatriation of Capt. BATTI Francesco has not been approved by the British Authorities in India.

SP Archer Capt.

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

SP/ab

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Folio No 365
Ref 02E PW/2/103
from G HQ. 02E. MEF

PW. No. DOZE. 12324

Sold Spiano Giovanni

Passed to

P. W. Sect. Com

7/1/45

DON'T REMOVE

File AQ III

S. C.

A.

MA

I think

Col Campbell's office

has handled this

already. Ask him please

15 Jan

A/D

Yes
PA

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Partito Fascista Repubblicano

FASCIO ROMANO DI COMBATTIMENTO

Roma, li 1943 XXI

I Camerata

Paternità Maternità

Data e luogo di nascita

Residente a Via n.

Telefono professione

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

p. IL COMMISSARIO DEL FASCIO ROMANO
(GINO BARDI)

Firma

Domicilio

Translation
 from Ministry of War
 to MMSA

Ref. 401171 RPR

Date Dec. 28, 1944

Subject Repatriation of St. Mil. from ALBANIA

Further to 400572 dated 12th inst.

78/6/31

R₁₂

Further information received confirms the poor condition in which St. mil. in Albania find themselves. I know two kinds of the mil. who arrived in BARI by air on the 24th inst. were ill. One of said mil. died before arriving and another one died immediately after arriving. The clothing of all the mil. was in very bad condition.

Therefore, I again repeat the urgent ~~and~~ necessity for: - the repatriation of all mil. still in Albania;

- the maintenance of type "30" nations

24 mil. went ill. One of said mil. died before arriving and another one died immediately after arriving. The clothing of all the mil. was in very bad condition.

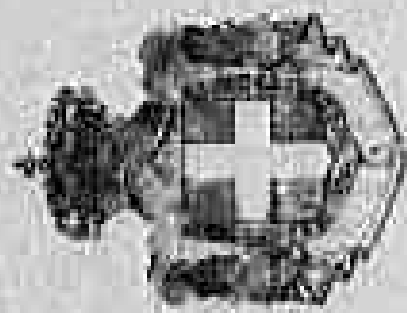
Therefore, I again repeat the urgent ~~and~~ necessity for:
- the repatriation of all mil. still in Albania;

NT
- the granting of type "30" rations to them as proposed by this Ministry with letter 400 265 RPR dated Nov 20;
- the distribution of indispensable clothing to said mil. 3273

It. mil. who came from Greece.
as was done for the

(sgd) Gen. Mammunis

Cpl. V.C.



Bor/cb

Ministero della Guerra

Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigionia di
Guerra e Rimpatriati

Divisione
REPUBBLICA RPGR *Allegato*

OGGETTO Rimpatrio militari italiani dall'Albania.

Repubblica di Helios. M. I. A. per Albania



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

WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN P.W.

SUB COMMISSION

= R O M A =

" " " " " " " " " " " "

Seguito foglio n. 400572 del 12 c.m.

Ulteriori notizie qui pervenute confermano le tristi condizioni in cui si trovano i militari italiani esistenti in Albania di cui uno scaglione, giunto a Bari via aerea il g. 24 c.m., è risultato costituito da quasi due terzi di ammalati dei quali uno è deceduto prima di arrivare ed un altro è deceduto subito dopo.

Tutti sono poi risultati in pessime condizioni di vestiario. Mi permetto pertanto di rappresentare ancora una volta l'urgenza necessità di provvedere al rimpatrio di tutti i militari ancora esistenti in Albania estendendo ad essi la razione "tipo 30" come proposto col foglio di questo Ministero n° 400268/RPGR in data 20 Novembre u.s. e distribuendo loro il vestiario indispensabile.

Roma. . . Dicembre 1944

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (L.F.S.C.)

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7274

(A. Lanzeri)

H. Hammer

C.C.
F. 91, 92, 93 should all be passed to AFHQ for action with request they find it
Subject: Italians in ALBANIA *DPV*

YS/6/31
93 *(364)*
HQ FORCE 399
CMF *20/11/1.*

Ref: SF/684/G14/B8
28 December 1944
under cover of usual letter
31 Dec.

To: Land Forces Sub Commission,
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ROME
Lt-Col BOUVERIE SO(M) Liaison, AFHQ (for G.5)

below.
Reference previous correspondence, herewith
a further message which may be of interest.

Whelan
Major G.S.
for Lt-Col COMD

*Sub AFHQ
for info
GMA*

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92
Ref. CC/6/B8. D 28 Dec.

*Refers
Galia.*

*'G'
3273*



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
GABINETTO

VE/mlg

30/12/4

Protocollo N. 12/C.A. Allegati uno

Roma, 26 dicembre 1944

Risposta al foglio del

Divisione Sezione N

OGGETTO: Sottotenente Medico Caruso Domenico Antonio.-

Aex 11/1
27/1/2

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

Si trasmette copia di una istanza inviata a questo Ministero dal Dott. Luigi Caruso, padre del S.Tenente Medico Domenico Antonio Caruso, intesa ad ottenere il rimpatrio dell'Ufficiale dall'Albania.

Si sarà assai grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà interporre i suoi buoni uffici perchè il rimpatrio sia concesso.

d'ordine

IL CAPO DEL GABINETTO

[Signature]

Enclosed is copy of application sent to this

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d'ordine

IL CAPO DEL GABINETTO

Enclosed is copy of application sent to this Ministry by Dr. Luigi CARUSO, father of 2nd Lt. Domenico Antonio CARUSO, Medical Corps, for the repatriation of the officer from ALBANIA.

We would appreciate if you would kindly intercede to have the repatriation granted.

See Folio 367

OK. with copy sent to the Ministry of War. 11/11/44

COPY

Translation

Encl. to letter 307121/4/CA

To the Ministry of War.

I, the undersigned, Dr. Luigi CARUSO, residing at BARI-Via Celentano 87- I am addressing this Ministry, trusting in its high feeling of understanding and justice, taking the liberty of informing you of the following.

My son, 2nd Lt. Dr. Domenicantonio CARUSO, M.C., was, at the time of the armistice, in ALBANIA with the "Bennero" Division, and since that, for 13 long anxious months, we have not succeeded in receiving any news from him.

Finally, in November 1944, a British Captain who had been cared for by my son in ALBANIA came to Italy and brought me and my desolate wife news from our dear son. We thus learned that he, so as not to follow the fate of his division, took to the mountains in order to lend a hand as a physician and fighter with the Albanian partisans, who have fought the hated German so hard.

At present my son is serving with the 18th "SVLHUS" Brigade, 4th Division U.N. Ce P.V. SH

near BICAI (Albania).

In the meantime the local mil. district office has informed us that my son was, by R. Decree 30 Aug. 1943 ~~has been~~ promoted to 1st Lt., M.C., Regular Army, with seniority as of the 16 Aug. 1943, and possibly 16 May 1942, as winner of the Ministry contest of the 16 May 1942.

Since I thought that probably your Ministry would not know that my son is at present in Albania at the a/m address, I wanted to let you know immediately, and am taking the liberty to beg you to request his repatriation from the Albanian partisan authorities,

In view of the fact that my son preferred the thousand discomforts of the roving life and the torments of hunger and cold to the shame of being taken prisoner, exposing himself thus to a thousand dangers, I am certain that your Ministry will consider my plea and give me and my wife, after so many long months of anxious waiting, the joy of seeing him again by having him repatriated. It is to be kept in mind that he is now a Regular Army Medical Officer,

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on which the Army can and must count for its further needs.

In view of the above reasons, I also take the liberty of asking you to have my son, when he is ~~re~~ repatriated and after his furlough, assigned to one of the military hospitals in BARI. This plea is dictated by the heartfelt need to be again near our dear son, for whom I and my wife have wept for so long.

Certain of the benevolent reception of this application I thank you and am anxiously awaiting a kind reply.

Respectfully

Bari, 10 Dec. 1944.

S/Luigi CARUSO
Via Celentano 87-BARI

BBS.

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BEST COPY POSSIBLE

COPIAALLEGATO AL FOGLION. 30/12/1 /2/CA

On. MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Direzione Sanità Militare - ROMA

Io sottoscritto Dott. LUIGI CARUSO, domiciliato in Bari- Via Celen-
tano 87 - mi rivolgo fiduciosamente al Vostro Ministero fidando nel suo
alto senso di comprensione e giustizia e mi permetto esporre quanto
appreso.

Il mio figlio, OTTO TENTE MEDICO DOTT. DOMENICO ANTONIO CARUSO, si
trovava, all'atto dell'arruolamento, in Albania con la Divisione Brenne-
ro e da tale data, per 13 lunghi, angosciosi mesi non si è riusciti
ad avere alcuna sua notizia.

Finalmente nel mese di novembre 1944, un capitano inglese, da mio
figlio curato in Albania venuto in Italia portò a me ed alla mia de-
solata moglie notizie del nostro caro. Apprendemmo così che egli
l'8 settembre 1943, per non seguir la sorte della sua divisione,
si dette alla montagna prestandosi a prestare la sua opera di medico e di
combattente con i partigiani albanesi, che tanto hanno combattuto
l'odiato tedesco.

Attualmente mio figlio si trova in servizio presso la XVIII Bri-
gata "Sulmus" IV Divisione U.N. Ce P.V. Sh nelle vicinanze di Bicai
(Albania).

Intanto, alcuni giorni fa, dal locale distretto militare ci è sta-
to comunicato che il mio figliolo predetto col R. Decreto 30 agosto
1943, registrato alla Corte dei Conti il 25 ottobre 1943 (registro
33- foglio 66) è stato nominato tenente medico in s.p.e. con anziani-
tà assoluta 16 agosto 1943 e con riserva di anzianità relativa, qua-
le vincitore del concorso indetto con D.M. 16 maggio 1942.

Poiché, penso che difficilmente codesto onorevole Ministero saprà
che il mio figliolo trovasi attualmente in Albania all'indirizzo più
avanti specificato mi sono affrettato a scriverle.

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Intanto, alcuni giorni fa, dal locale distretto militare ci è stato comunicato che il mio figliolo predetto col R. Decreto 30 agosto 1943, registrato alla Corte dei Conti il 25 ottobre 1943 (registro 33- foglio 66) è stato nominato tenente medico in s.p.e. con anzianità assoluta 16 agosto 1943 e con riserva di anzianità relativa, quale vincitore del concorso indetto con D.M. 16 maggio 1942.

Poiché, penso che difficilmente codesto onorevole Ministero deprea che il mio figliolo trovasi attualmente in Albania all'indirizzo più avanti specificato mi sono affrettato a comunicarlo e mi permetto pregare vivamente perché codesto on. Ministero stesso richieda alle autorità partigiane albanesi il suo rimpatrio in Italia.

In considerazione che il mio figliolo ha preferiti i mille disagi della vita randagia ed i tormenti della fame e del freddo all'onta di cadere prigioniero, esponendosi così a mille pericoli, tenuto conto che presente il contributo da lui dato in terra albanese alla sconfitta dei tedeschi ed al trionfo della libertà, io sono certo che codesto on. Ministero vorrà accogliere la presente mia calda preghiera e vorrà dare, a me ed a mia moglie dopo tanti lunghi mesi di angosciosa attesa la gioia di riaccederlo, facendolo rimpatriare. Ciò anche in considerazione della sua attuale qualità di ufficiale medico in servizio quale l'esercito può e deve contare per gli ulteriori suoi servizi.

In considerazione delle ragioni sopra esposte, mi permetto rivolgere viva preghiera perché il predetto mio figliolo all'auspicato suo rimpatrio venga destinato in servizio dopo il per licenza, ad uno degli ospedali militari con sede in Bari. Tale richiesta è dettata dal bisogno del cuore di poter avere nuovamente noi il nostro caro che, io e mia moglie abbiamo lungamente

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Translation

From: - M of W

To: - M M 1A for information.

Ref: - 4000 12/1854K.

Date: - 24th Dec. 44.

362/1

Subject: - Repatriation of Italian soldiers in Ragusa.

AQ 11/1

Further to folio 400441 dated 5th Dec. 44, I am in
statement made by an Italian P.O. who escaped from a German
Concentration Camp in the vicinity of Ragusa (Dalmatia).

Since the arrival of the Croat Partisans in Ragusa,
about the middle of October last, Italian soldiers who were interned
by the Germans continued to remain in the aforesaid Concentration Camp
under Croat Partisans Guard.

These Partisans took away from the Italian
soldiers: - rings, watches, fountain pens, money, personal effects etc.,
and more over make them work and ill treat them.

These soldiers beg that their position be
considered in order that they may be repatriated and released,
their situation going worse with the approach of winter.

In relation to the above, it is requested that
you may please examine the possibility to release these soldiers
and repatriate same.

(Sgd) A. MANNERINI

87. ENURE

Seen by "G"

29 Dec 44

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See Folio 389/1

BoT/cb



Ministero della Guerra

Uff. Ant. Reduci Prigionieri di
Guerra e Rimpatriati

América

REGD: Mercati

Oggetto

rimpatrio di militari italiani in Russia.

e, per conoscerla:

TAKED FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
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1 Parading Capel 25/12
Parramatta 24 Dicembre 1944

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Dicembre 1944

WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN P.W. SUB COMMISSION

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Risposta al Foglio del
 Dir. L. N.

Respuesta de -
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Respectfully Submitted as Requester

2/4/17

Repubblica di St. Helena / ai Regener

e, per conoscenza:

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) = ROMA =

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Dei militari invocano un sollecito intervento per potere ritornare in Patria ed essere così liberati dall'angosciosa situazione in cui si trovano, situazione che tende a peggiorare per l'inoltrarsi dell'inverno.

In relazione a quanto sopra si prega ancora cotesta Sottocommissione di esaminare la possibilità di liberare tali militari e di disporre il loro rimpatrio.

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
(A. Marnerini)

A. Marnerini

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Subject: Repatriation of Italian POW.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
AQ/11/1

24 Dec 44

HQ No.1 Special Force
C.M.F.

Ref your LS/4/166 of 16 Dec 44.

1. The WMD & PW Sub Commission A.C., has informed this HQ that your request for the two Italian Officers mentioned in your above quoted letter has been referred to the Italian High Commissioner of Prisoners of War.

2. You will be informed of any further action taken on this case.

S.P. Archer Capt.
S.P. ARCHER Capt. 3266
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Copy to: WMD & PW Sub Comm AC (your 1/11/268 of 22 Dec 44 refers)

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Translation

From: - M of W.

To: - M M 10 for information.

Ref: - 00897/RPER 361/1

Date: - 23rd Dec. 44.

Subject: - Soldiers in the Balkans.

AQ 11/1

Herewith for information copy of letter 127 dated 3rd Dec. 44 from Interrogation Commission of soldiers from the Balkans by which it has been pointed out the poor living conditions of about 3000 Italian soldiers at present located in North West Macedonia.

29 Dec
REP

(Sgd) A. MANNER 3260

Sgt. FAURE.

Translation.

Copy

From: - HQ Puglia & Lucania.
Interrogation Commission.

To: - HQ Puglia & Lucania
Information Office.

Ref. - 127/R.

Date: - 3rd Dec. 44.

Herewith some of the information received from
S/Ten. FONTANO ORESTE of the 313 Inf. Regt (Hja - Larissa) who
disembarked at Taranto on 29/11/44.

In North West Macedonia about 2600 Italian soldiers,
divided in four groups, are located:-

1) DUCECÒ.

1 Bn. 313rd less 1st Coy.

1 Bty of the 1st Art. Group 100/17 (Brennero)

1 Coy. C.A.F. M.G. (located at Volo).

2 Pl. Gun 47/32 of the 313rd Inf.

2 Pl. of the III 14th Inf.

dispersed men from Neraida (about 1000 escaped since
Mar. 43) and from Albania (very few).

2) MISSOLUKI.

1 Coy. 1 Bn. 313 Inf.

1 M.G. Coy. of the III Bn. 3rd H.A.

H.A. Coy. 47/50 "PINERULO" Div.

dispersed men from Neraida (few).

3) EPTACORI.

1 M.G. Coy. C.A.F. (located at Tempi)

1 Gun Coy 47/32

dispersed men from Epine and Neraida.

4) PROVERON.

1 Bn. 13th Inf. taken prisoner by Germans on 7th March 43
(Commanded by Maj. PERRONE.)

1 Bty 65/17 of the 13th Inf.

in addition prisoners dispersed in the area, about
800 men working for Greek families and who are in
bad conditions.

See Folio 395/1 unclassified

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All these men are governed by a liaison office with the Allied Mission and with Elias (1st Div).

Capt. VANAGONI, actually here, was directing this office until the 6/6/44.

This office was then taken over by Capt. EDERLE ALDO MORIO of the 7th Bn. 313 Inf.

The situation in the camp is very bad because of lack of clothing and medicine. Food situation is also bad. The 10^{fr} grant per head given by the British is not sufficient considering the great number of patients (more than 1000 cannot be moved).

The mountainous nature of the ground does not allow ~~movement~~ movement of these men to the nearest embarkation port (the nearest one is at S. Quaranta).

No one has yet been moved.

Help is asked by air in order to give them possibilities to go through the winter season.

Gravena Airport is at 8 hours walk from the centre of these camps.

S/T. FONTANA is in possession of nominal rolls of all soldiers in at grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and also nominal rolls of soldiers deceased.

Sgt. FORD

(Sgt.) Col. PALMA M.

President of the Commission.



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Roma 23 dicembre 1941

Ministero della Guerra

Uff. Auton. Reduci Frigione
di Guerra e Rimpatriati

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ALL TO WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL
AND P.W. SUB COMMISSION
- R O M A -

President of the
Law *Law* *N°*

OGGETTO Militari della Balcania.-

e, per conoscenza ;

TO LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (N.W.I.A.)

- R O M A -

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Si trasmette, per doverosa informazione, copia
del foglio n.127 in data 3 dicembre c.a. della Com-
missione interrogatrice dei militari provenienti dai
Balcani, col quale vengono segnalate le miserevoli
condizioni in cui si trovano circa 3600 militari i-
taliani nella Macedonia nord-occidentale.-

IL GENERALE

CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO

(A. Mannerini)

A. Mannerini

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
Commissione Interrogatrice Dei Militari Provenienti Balcani

T A R A N T O

N. 127/R di prot.

Taranto, li 3 dicembre 1944

O G G E T T O : Notizie fornite dal S.Ten. S.P.E. FONTANA Oreste.-

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA

- Ufficio Informazioni -

P.M. 67

Trasmetto qui di seguito alcune notizie fornitemi dal S.Ten. in s.p.e.
FONTANA Oreste, del 313° Rgt. ftr. (Aja - Larissa) sbarcato a Taranto il 29/11/44.

Nella Macedonia nord-occidentale esiste un concentramento di circa 3600
militari italiani suddivisi in quattro raggruppamenti:

1°) - Duccècò

- 1° Btg. 313° meno 1° Cp.
- una Btr. del I Gr. Auton. Art. da 100/17 ("Brennero")
- una Cp.GAF.Mtr. da posiz. (dislocata presso Volo)
- 2 Pl. Cann. 47/32 della Cp. Regg.le 313°Ftr.
- 2 Pl. del III 14° Ftr.
- sbandati provenienti da Neraida (circa 1000 fuggitivi nel Nov.1943)
e dall'Albania (pochissimi).

2°) - Missoluri

- 1° Cp.I Btg.313°Ftr.
- 1° Cp.Mtr. del IIIBtg. del 3° C.A.
- Cp. a.a.47/50, div. "Pinerolo"
- sbandati provenienti da Neraida (pochi).

3°) - Eptaçori

- una Cp. GAF. Mtr.(dislocata a Tempi).
- Cp.cann. 47/32 divs.
- sbandati provenienti dall'Epiro e da Neraida.-

4°) - Prosveron

- I Btg. 13° Ftr. preso prigioniero dagli Andartes il 7 marzo 1943 (comanda
dato dal Maggiore S.P.E. PERRONE).
- Btg. acc.da 65/17 del 13° Ftr.

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- inoltre vi sono dei lavoratori sparsi nella zona, cioè gente che lavora presso le famiglie greche e che versa in disperate condizioni. Saranno circa 800 uomini.-

Tutto il complesso è diretto da un ufficio di collegamento con la Missione Militare Alleata e con l'Elas (9^a Divisione).-

A capo dell'Ufficio era il capitano Alp. VENAGONI (qui presente) fino al 6/6/1944.-

In seguito diretto dal capitano Ftr. (7° Btg 13° Ftr.) Ederle Aldo Maria.

La situazione dei campi è disastrosa causa mancanza di vestiario e di medicinali. Scarsissimi sono i viveri. La mezza sterlina a testa passata dagli inglesi non è sufficiente per il gran numero degli ammalati (più di 1000 intrasportabili).-

La natura montagnosa del terreno non permetterà di far affluire detti militari nelle zone di imbarco viciniori (la più vicina è a S. Quaranta).-

Di questi nessuno risulta ancora sceso.-

S'invocano soccorsi sul luogo a mezzo aereo in modo da dare a questi infelici la possibilità di affrontare l'inverno.-

A otto ore di marcia dal punto centrale di questo raggruppamento di campi, che sono vicinissimi tra loro, vi è un aeroporto quello di Grevena.-

Il S.Ten. FONTANA ha con sé gli elenchi nominativi di tutti i militari viventi di cui ai nn. dall'1 al 4 e anche un elenco dei deceduti.-

IL PRESIDENTE DELLA COMMISSIONE
f.to/ Col. Palma Marcello

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P.c.c.
IL TENENTE COLONNELLO
(F. Bordini)

F. Bordini

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

BSA/tb

IPW 1/7/522

23 December 1944

To : Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C. HQ

Subject : Repatriation PW Commissariat Officers

AR 11/1

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27/12

- 1/. Reference your AQ/11/1 of 19 December we have today forwarded the request for repatriation of Capt; Giuseppe PESCE.
- 2/. We also forwarded to AFHQ Attention G-1 (A) Section the further data on Capt. Fernando PIAZZA.
- 3/. We have been informed that the British Authorities in India do not concur in the repatriation of Capt; ABATE Francesco,

J.A. Campbell in 8260

J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Com.

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War Materials Division and
Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission
HQ AG APO 894
Dispatched 27 DEC 1944
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Subject:- Italian Officers in Greece.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
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Q/11/1

23 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Col. BERTI Giuseppe

Ref. your 400308/MPGR of 22 Nov/44.

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1. This H.Q. has been informed that instructions have been given for the above named officer to be repatriated as soon as possible.

2. It will be appreciated that owing to the present situation in Greece, it is not possible to say when the repatriation will take place.

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Arthur Cypri

~~P.J. HONKES, Col.~~ *A.O.D.*
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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◆ SUBJECT:- Repatriation of Italian Army Officers PW.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission.
(for Land Forces Sub. Commission).

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3863/G1(Br).

22 Dec 44.

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1. With reference to the above mentioned subject it would be appreciated if the following information could be supplied to this Headquarters.

- (a) Authorised establishments for Officers of Units and formations of Italian Army within the ceiling permitted.
- (b) The number of Officers now held in such authorised vacancies.
- (c) The resultant surplus or deficiency.



P. Thorp

P. THORP,
Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Major General
DAG. G.1(Br) 3258

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See Folio 370

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

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From: WMD & IPOW Sub=Commission

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Italian POWs.

FILE No. 1/11/268

TO: Land Forces Sub=Commission, A.C. HQ.
attention Capt. S.P. ARCHER

22 December 1944

AQ 11/1

Reference your action slip of 17 December with attached letter LS/4/166 of 15th. December from H.Q. N°1 Special Force.

- 1/. We have to-day informed the Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War of your request for the repatriation of the two Italian officer POWs referred to in your letter above.
- 2/. We will inform your office of any subsequent action on this case.

HP N°1 Force
24/12
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J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut. Colonel
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub=Comm.

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NOTE FOR FILE TS/Q/31
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RETURN OF GARIBALDI DIV

Ref AFHQ signal FX 71668 of 20 Dec at Folio 78.

1. Visited CASATI 1800 hrs 21 Dec and discussed Ministry of War's possible reply to us on lines as under.

"On behalf of Italian Govt will you please ask higher authority to propose to TITO that the GARIBALDI Div., which has been away from homeland for a long time and has done well in action, be moved to ITALY for following reasons:

- (a) Difficulty of supplying Div under present conditions.
- (b) Easier for personnel to be re-equipped and used on another front in common cause etc "

2. Will visit CASATI 1630 hrs 23 Dec 44 when Italian Govt's reply will be ready for us in writing.

22 Dec 44

Distribution: 21/e
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S.M.D.
Lt. Col.
G. S.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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Date 20 DEC 1944

FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Staff Officer to A/CC		Establishment Section	
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)	
Message Centre		Executive Officer (B)	
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)	
DP & Rep		G-1 (A) Civilian Emp.	
Local Govt		G-1 (B)	
Patriots Branch		G-4 (A)	
Public Safety		G-4 (B)	
Security Division		2675th Regt	
Public Health		H.Q. Comdt	
Legal		Adjutant	
Education		Navy	
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (MIA)	X
Economic Section		Air	
Requisition Division		Communications	
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group	
Commerce	X	W.M.D. & P.O.W.	
Finance		Public Relations Branch	
Property Control Div.		Information Division	
Food		Archivist	
Industry		U.N.R.R.A.	
Mining Division		I.G.C.R.	
Labor			
Public Works & Utilities			
Shipping			
Transportation			
Political Section			

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Appropriate Action _____
Investigation & Report _____
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Remarks _____

Lauri Jones

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

BFP/10b

G-5: 014.33-59

18 December 1944

SUBJECT: Colonel Giuseppe Berti.

TO : HQ Allied Commission.

1. Reference is made to HQ Allied Commission letters IPW/1/284 of 27 Nov, AG/11/1 of 27 Nov and 505-BE of 9 Dec.

2. Attention is drawn to G-5 letter, reference as above, addressed to HQ Allied Commission, dated 7 Dec 44.

For Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

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HEADQUARTERS

19 DEC 1944

H. F. Perkins Maj

H. F. PERKINS,
Major.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

IPW/39/82

18 December 1944

To: Comando Supremo, Italian Government, Rome.

Subject: Italian soldiers of the Cuneo Division.

- 1/. Reference your letter No. 14008/CP dated 3 July 1944.
- 2/. G.H.Q., Middle East have reported the majority of the Cuneo Division have now been formed into companies, which are self contained, and, although they come into contact with co-operator companies in the course of their work, they retain separate identity.
- 3/. There is, however, a small number of skilled tradesmen from the Division who are being employed in their trades alongside co-operators. It would otherwise be impossible to make use of their skill, and no discontent appears to be caused by this measure.
- 4/. G.H.Q., MIDWEST, have recommended that no further segregation of personnel in para 3 above should be carried out.

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