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Subject: **Italian Soldiers - Enquiries**

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
~~AR~~/ A/II/2
18 March 45

To: **MMIA. LO.**
Rear HQ. Eighth Army.

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Ref this HQ letter ref A~~R~~/II/2 dated **27th Feb 45**

Your reply to the above quoted letter is still awaited. Please expedite.

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

SPA/fc

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel.

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

17 March 45.

HQ I District,
C.M.F.

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Ref : Your I D/II/2I/A, dated the 9th of March.

I. The Personnel enlisted in your above quoted letter would seem to be men who have entered the Army areas without passes and evacuated from the Army areas through prisoner of War channels.

2. These men are therefore absentees from their Units and should be handed over to the CO.RR. for return to their Units in order that disciplinary action may be taken.

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

SPA/fc

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (MMIA)

FILE NO: A/II/2
SUBJECT: Inquiries

DATE: 16 March 45.

TO : M.M.I.A. L.O. NAPLES

Ref : attached copy letter from Ministry of War.

Will you pleasesay whether you are able to obtain any information in respect of the Italian civilian mentioned in the Ministry of War letter. It is realized that the incident referred to took place a considerable time ago and that there is not much hope of obtain the information requested.

SPA

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

SPA/fc

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel - Postings.

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

16 March 45.

Ministry of War

I. The attached lists give particulars of seven officers and twenty-four O.R's. who are all Searchlight Specialists and who are available at IO Regimento Genio for service in the 4 Searchlight Platoons now being formed at Colonia Geremica Posillipo, Naples.

2. Please give the necessary orders for these men to be posted to the new Units.

S.P. Archer Capt.

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

Copy to : - HQ MAAF. Your ACT GWB adp. of 12 Mar. refers.
- G MMIA.
- A/II/2.

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel - Employment.

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

16 March 45.

Ministry of War

Sergente FRASCA Antonio 190

Ref : your 878/SP/I, dated 28 Feb.
(S.M.R.E.)

1. Information has been received that the above mentioned N.C.O. is no longer employed by the Economic Section Allied Commission, and that he is now employed at Tipografia Abete Via Cerveteri.

2. Please arrange for Serg. FRASCA to be apprehended and returned to his Unit forthwith, in order that disciplinary action may be taken in respect of his failure to rejoin his Unit at the termination of his employment with Economic Section Allied Commission.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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I suggest this be passed
to AFHQ as previous notes
and at same time Mr Wm
be told that it was clear
that unauthorised persons
for certain their purpose -
there had it.

WP

Copies sent to G & AFHQ 2/13.

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Translation.

From M of W
to M M I A.

A/11/2

Ref. N° 106791/1c.
Date 15/3/45.

Subject: Enlistement of Italians in the Polish Army.

Hereunder information received and sent to you for info.

On the 5th of feb 45, two carabinieri stationned at FIAMIGNANO (RIETI), On duty in the "PESCHIETA" area noticed a Polish soldier in uniform talking to the wife of LUCIANI LINO, ex Republican Militiaman, who is now detained in the District Goal of CITTADUCALE

The CC.RR asked the motives of the presence of the Polish soldier in the area, who, in fairly good Italian answered that he was there to obtain information on some Militiaman detained in goal, to enlist them in the Polish Army.

The Polish soldier named ROBEREK ALEJZY, born on the 16 of oct 1920 was in possession of Identity card and identity discs N° 225/III R.Z. KAT. Army n° 225/B/1920/III and belonging to 2nd coy "CARPAZI P.II 106-

He stated that he had been sent to PESCHIETA DI FIAMIGNANO by ordr of Lieut RAICHELL. TRANCISZEK Officer Commanding 27th Coy stationned at TERNI.

He added that a few days ago he and the Lieut went to the CITTADUCALE goal where they got into conversation

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with the prisoners to whom they asked if they were willing to enlist in the Polish army.

Having received an affirmative Answer. REBEREK was then charged with the task of obtaining information.

As a result of investigations carried out, it appears that the polish soldier got into conversation with the Prisoner in the CITTADUCALE goal, to which he had proceeded alone.

R Mansfield

LOMBARDI

Ve/cm

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 106791 /I/2 *Allegati*

Risposta al f.del

Roma, 15 MAR 1945

Div. *Sez.* *N.*

OGGETTO: Arruolamento di Italiani nell'Esercito polacco.-

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

R O M A

Si trascrive, per notizia, la seguente segnalazione:

""Il 5 febbraio u.s., due carabinieri della stazione di Fiamignano (Rieti), in servizio nella frazione "Peschieta" di quel comune, rilevarono la presenza di un soldato polacco, in divisa, che stava conversando con la moglie di tale LUCIANI Lino, già appartenente alla milizia repubblicana, e in atto detenuto nelle carceri mandamentali di Cittaducale.

I carabinieri domandarono al soldato polacco per quali motivi egli si trovasse in quei luoghi. Questi, in discreto italiano, rispose che si era recato nella frazione di Peschieta, per assumere informazioni sul conto di alcuni militi detenuti in carcere, per arruolarli nell'esercito polacco.

Il militare polacco, a nome Roberek Alejzy, nato il 16 ottobre 1920, era in possesso della carta d'identità e dei piastri

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

R O M A

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Si trascrive, per notizia, la seguente segnalazione:

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Egli dichiarò di essersi portato in Peschieta di Fiamignano, per ordine del tenente Raichell Franciszek, comandante della compagnia suddetta, di stanza a Terni. 2193

Soggiunse che, giorni or sono, unitamente al predetto tenente, si era portato nelle carceri di Cittaducale, dove entrambi avevano conversato con i militi detenuti, ai quali avevano chiesto se volessero arruolarsi nell'esercito polacco.

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Avutare risposta affermativa, il sol ato Reberek era stato inc ricato di assumere informazioni.

Da accertamenti praticati è risultato che il militare polac co ebbe colloqui coi detenuti, nel carcere di Cittaducale, dove erasi recato da solo. ""

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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214/2
106418/I
113-16-11

Ref: 15-a
Date: March 945

From: M.W. D'1/12. Translation
To: M.M.G.A. Cpl/Gs # 2/11/27 5/2/45 165

Subject: Corporal Major Paratrooper LIFONTI Aldo

Instructions have been given to the command of Combat Group "FOLGORE" to forward through the usual channels a regular proposal for special promotion for war merit in favour of 2695 Corporal Major: LIFONTI. Aldo.

Signed: Chief of the Cabinet
Ubaldo

Given. Attn
Wed 2/7/45

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Ministero della Guerra
Gabinetto

Roma 15 MAR 1945 / 194 A

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ALA LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION C.A.(M.M.T.A)
R O M A

Divisione *Sez.* N. 106418 / I / *Sez.* *Allegati*
113.16.11.

Rispostare al foglio del 5.2.1945
Div. *Sez.* MA2/11/2

OGGETTO: Caporal Maggiore paracadutista
LIFONTI Aldo

Ricostruz. - Cpl mag Lifonti Aldo

Sono state date disposizioni perchè il Comando Gruppo di Combattimento "FOLGORE" trasmetta, tramite gerarchico, una regolare proposta di promozione straordinaria per merito di guerra a favore del caporal maggiore LIFONTI Aldo.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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under GSO 3 Ops
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need of Radio
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No radios
in use
Barker

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Enzo Amedeo Bonanno born, in Rome in 1913 has experience in designing the following:-
Medium wave and short wave transmitters up to 2 KW,
Ultra short wave transmitters, amplitude modulation and frequency modulation.
Receivers for commercial, army, air or navy use of all frequency ranges.
Portable sets at high and ultra high frequencies with amplitude and frequency modulation.
Audio frequency amplifiers for every purpose.
Radiolocation:- constructed an Italian experimental variety, and was sent to Germany in 1943 for 5 months at the request of Italian manufacturers (Allocchise Bacchini) to obtain further details of German radio locators.
Worked in Magdelburg at Flak Waffen Technische Schule den Luftwaffe and in Berlin, at the main radiolocation repair shop in the Herman Goering Kasern.
In Rome at the time of the armistice escaped on 15 September and a month later crossed into the Allied lines at Campobasso and placed his knowledge at the disposal of the Military Mission.
Was sent to England (Air Ministry) in December 1943.
On his return in January he became liaison Officer attached to 15 L of C Signals and later attached to CSO's Branch, 3 District East.

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To MMIA.

The above Soldier is at present with CSO 3 Dist for work.

15/3 2693 Capt
MMIFLO
BEF I.

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Subject : Service in the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/II/2
15 March 45.

O.C. Br. Cadre,
Italian Reinforcement Depot
ORVIETO.

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Cpl. DECONTO Remo.
Ref : Your HI/I3/100. dated 18th of Feb.

A copy translation of the reply from Ministry of War to this HQ letter A/II/2, dated 24th of Feb. 183 (copy to you) is forwarded for your information and guidance as to the procedure to be followed by the above named Italian NCO. in order to establish his claim to Belgian nationality.

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

SPA/fo

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Subject : Italian Army - enlistment.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/II/2
15 March 45.

Ministry of War.

Patriot CORDONA Armando

Ref : Your 100523/I, dated 15 Jan.45
(Gabinetto)

I. The attached copy letter received from O.C. 572 Army Field Coy. R.E. in respect of the above named OR. is forwarded to your consideration.

2. Will you please forward your comments in regards to para 3 & 4.

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

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Subject : Italian soldiers - employment.

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

15 March 45.

O.C. 1st Truck Battalion,
HQ. A.C.

Sergente FINOTTI Marino (cl.1918)
(1st Truck Battalion)

1. This HQ has been informed that the above named NCO has volunteered for service with the Italian Combat Forces.

2. Will you please say whether you would agree to his posting to a Combat Group, provided that a suitable replacement is posted to the 1st Truck Battalion.

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

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Copy to Ministry of War,
Ref : your I3658/Mob, dated 7th of March,
S.M.R.E.

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Tel. Ext. 412

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MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-1B/610/I

14 March 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Personnel

TO : Director, Land Forces S/C (MMIA)

A 1/11/2

A 15/3

Sgt. Officer Cadet LEONARDI, G.

Reference the attached correspondence.

No record is held in this HQ of the above named, either as a soldier or as a civilian.

If the location of the A.C. Depot at which he is reported to be employed can be ascertained, this HQ will make further enquiries.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

/lg

Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt.Colonel,
G-1(B) 269

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (MMIs)

FILE NO:
SUBJECT: Call-up of Sgt, Officer Cadet, LEONARDI G. Battista di Vincenzo.
TO : Allied Commission for G-1 (Br).

DATE: 11 Mar 45.

The attached correspondence is passed to you for necessary action, please.

S P Archer Capt.

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

A.C. CIV. PERS. SEC. G. (A) DATE 12 MAR 1945 HQ 760 A.C.

H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION REF. 610/5 DATE 12 MAR 1945 G-1 SECTION

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LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC (MMIA)
% AC SICILY REGION HQ.
APO 394

3 March 1945.

No.1082

SUBJECT: Call-up of Sgt., Officer Cadet, LEONARDI G. Battista di Vincenzo.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission (ROME), APO 394 U.S. Army

1. The Military District of Palermo reports that the Call-up notification card of Sgt., Officer Cadet, Leonardi has been returned by his father with the information that said person is in Italy and is an employee of an Allied Commission Depot.

2. Information is desired as to whether or not this man is employed by your Commission and if so, has he been granted an exemption. If he has not been exempted he should be instructed to return to Sicily to answer the Call-up.

HOMER E LONG
Major QMC
L O Sicily

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel.

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

14 March 45.

HQ. A.M.G.
LAZIO - UMBRIA Region,
APO 394.

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Ref : Your R/6312, dated 7th of March.

I. It is regretted that the information concerning the soldiers about whom inquiries are made in your above quoted letter is insufficient to enable the Ministry of War to make inquiries as to their present location. It is requested that you will please obtain more detailed particulars of the soldiers in question and address further inquiries to the local Italian Army territorial HQ.

2. The copy letters are returned herewith.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, Rome

To : HQ, MAAF, Allied Liaison Section
copies to W/C Knowles Equip
A.C. Bari
986 Sqrn RAF (for inf)
MMIA

Date : 13th March 1945

Ref. : AFSC/354/1/Org.

TRANSFERRENCE OF ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL TO I.A.F.
(Balloon Companies)

Information has been received from the IAM that, as from 15th March, certain balloon personnel are to be transferred to I.A.F.

2. Rather than distribute copies of the translation of the order issued by IAM, which is somewhat confusing, attached is a chart showing the position.

3. This chart shows personnel transferred, and also those who are attached, but it is made clear that the latter are also to be rationed and employed by the IAM.

4. The reason for some being transferred and others atttached is due to the fact that no Army Officers nor N.C.O.s can, under Italian regulations be transferred from one service to another, and this applies equally to all Navy ranks.

AQ Liste.

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F.L. BRADSHAW, ~~S/Ldr~~,
Air Vice Marshal,
Air Officer Commanding.

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ARMY PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED TO I.A.F.

Taranto 1 Ball.Sq. H.Q.			Taranto 1 Ball.HQ Coy			Gioia del Colle 2 Ball.Coy			Ancona 3 Ball. Coy			Ardenza 4 Ball. Sq			Total Personnel transferred to I.A.F.
O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	
-	-	2	-	-	41	-	-	68	-	-	34	-	-	130	275

ARMY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO I.A.F.

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O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	
2	2	-	3	7	-	6	7	-	2	5	-	6	18	-	58

NAVY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO I.A.F.

Taranto 1 Ball.Sq. H.Q.			Taranto 1 Ball.HQ Coy			Gioia del Colle 2 Ball.Coy			Ancona 3 Ball. Coy			Ardenza 4 Ball. Sq			Total Navy Personnel attached to I.A.F.
O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	O.	NCO.	OR.	
-	-	-	-	2	33	-	1	11	-	-	1	-	-	1	49

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F.L. BRADSHAW, S/Ldr.
Air Vice Marshal,
Air Officer Commanding.

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ARMY PERSONNEL TRANSFERRED TO I.A.F.

Taranto	Taranto	Gioia del	Ancona	Ardenza	Total
1 Bell.Sq.	1 Bell. HQ	Colle	3 Bell.	4 Bell.	Personnel
H.Q.	Coy	2 Bell.Coy	Coy	Sq	transferred
O. NCO. OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O.NCO.OR	to I.A.F.
- - 2	- - 41	- - 68	- - 34	- - 130	275

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1 Bell.Sq.	1 Bell.HQ	Colle	3 Bell.	4 Bell.	Personnel
H.Q.	Coy	2 Bell.Coy	Coy	Sq	attached
O. NCO. OR.	O. NCO OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O.NCO.OR	to I.A.F.
2 2 -	3 7 -	6 7 -	2 5 -	6 10 -	58

NAVY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO I.A.F.

Taranto	Taranto	Gioia del	Ancona	Ardenza	Total
1 Bell.Sq.	1 Bell.HQ	Colle	3 Bell.	4 Bell.	Navy
H.Q.	Coy	2 Bell.Coy	Coy	Sq	Personnel
O. NCO. OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O. NCO. OR.	O. NCO.OR.	O. NCO.OR	attached
					to I.A.F.
- - -	2 33	- 1 11	- -	1 - -	1 49

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

12 March 1945

2.03/ES

A/11/2

SUBJECT: Sargent Antonio Fresca

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC (MMIA)
Attention: Col. Clayton P. Kerr

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1. Reference your letter A/11/2, 3 March 1945.

2. Sargent Antonio Fresca has completed his job for which we requested a furlough on 8 November 1944. He terminated his employment with Faille Tipografia a few days ago.

3. We are advised that he is now employed at Tipografia Abete, Via Cerveteri.

Harlan Cleveland
Executive Director

with 1/6
let + bill
for appreciation
for direction
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Subject : Claim to British nationality.

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

2 March 45.

MMIA. IO Sardinia

Ref : your letter dated 19 th Feb.45.

I. Attached is a copy of the letter received from the Consular Section, British Embassy, Rome, in reply to our letter A/II/2, of the 26th Feb. (Copy to you). — 186

2. The information and advice contained in the Consul's letter will enable the soldiers

GUIDI Alfredo

ODDI Gino

to follow the proper procedure to establish their nationality.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION 11/2
A.C. (MMIA)

DATE: 12 Mar 45.

FILE NO:
SUBJECT: Information concerning Italian Military.

TO : HQ 15 Army Group.

The attached letter from 231 Div was erroneously sent to this HQ.

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

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (MMIA)

FILE NO: A/11/2 DATE: 11 Mar 45.

SUBJECT: Call-up of Sgt, Officer Cadet, LEONARDI G. Battista di Vincenso.

TO : Allied Commission for G-1 (Br).

The attached correspondence is passed to you for necessary action, please.

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

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Translation

From : S.M.R.E.
To : M.M.I.A.

A/11/2

Ref.No. 303283/C.A.dipl.
Date : March 10, 1945

This is in reply to your letter of February 24th last,

A/11/2.

Signed : G. Luigi
General

From: M of W, Directorate General for the Drafting of OR's

To : S.M.R.E. Allied Liaison Office

Ref.No. 4544
Date : March 10, 1945

Subject : Remo Decorto - Military service in Italian Army.

Please inform MMIA - with reference to their letter A/11/2 of February 24th last - that before it is possible to look into the possibility of releasing from military service in the Italian Armed Forces the corporal Remo Decorto, who considers himself a Belgian citizen, it will be necessary for the party concerned to prove his citizenship status by means of a certificate issued by the Belgian government authorities, evidencing the date and the manner in which said citizenship was acquired.

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We wish to add that inquiries are now being made at the H.Q. of the Italian Reinforcements Depot at Orvieto to determine the present Army status of Decorto.

Signed : Gen. Brotto
for Minister

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Dir. Gen. Leva Sottuff. e Truppa

10 Marzo 1945 **IN**

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
UFFICIO C.A.

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Div. Leva Sez. 3^
Prot. N.4544

OGGETTO: DECONTO Remo - Servizio militare nell'esercito Italiano.

Mil Annex à Italian Emb

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Si soggiunge che sono in corso accertamenti presso il Comando del Deposito complementi Italiani in Orvieto, per conoscere l'attuale posizione Militare del Deconto.

p. IL MINISTRO
F/to Gen.Buttà

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F/to Gen.Buttà

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SUBJECT:- Italian Military Personnel

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MMIA ✓

1. The following Italian dispersed personnel have been received by 370 PW Camp at CHIARAVALLE, ANCONA, from Army Area and presumably were intended for disposal to Italian Rft Camp Jesi which has now moved.

2. Disposal instructions are requested.

Rank.	Name.	Initials.	Unit.
Sold	FALASCHI	Primo	250 Batt. 413 Regt Lavorati Pioneeri Ancona.
Cpl	DE BERNARDIS	Vincenzo	HQ (Comando) 1 Compagnia CXX (120) Battaglione Fanteria. PM.186.
Para/c	PRACUCCI	Gino de Celso	20 Batt. 5 Coy Parachutti, Folgori Div Ascoli.
Sold	CONTI	Dino	145 Regt Fanteria, Syracusa.
	CAPPELLI	Ezio	Membo Parachutti Div, Ascoli Piceno.
	CATENAZZO	Giovanni	307 Coy Lavoratori (formerly at Naples).
Sailor	ANTOLINI	Guido	"SUEZ Battleship.
Fante	GIORGI	Guiseppe	Gruppe di Combatimento, Legnano, 51 Coy Tel Radio.
	NATALI	Giovanni	No. 2 Coy, Batt. Aut. Complimenti.
	GIUNCHI	Gaspare	921 Reparto Portuale, Barletta.
	MORETTI	Oscar	Ospedale Militare, Rome.
	SCHARCHILLI	Claudio	Campo Astrugni, Agnano.
	BERARDI	Giovanni	7002 QM Suc. Co. Leghorn.
Can	RICCI	Riocardi di Antonio	Destroyer "LEGIONARIO".
Sold	MONTANARI	Olindo fu Guilio	97 Coy APL Arezzo.

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C.M.F.

/Lieutenant Colonel,
A.A.G.,
No 1 District.

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A/11/2

Subject: NCOs in Labour Units

Land Forces Sub Com AC
(M.M.I.A.

File No SD/14

0 March 45

War Ministry

Reference your letter 11007/Ord dated 2 March 45.

1. No case has been made for a NEED for additional NCOs in the employments referred to.

2. If NCOs have been posted to these labour units in excess of vacancies, their number should be reduced by posting away or some other method.

for Major General
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: A
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Translation

From: M/w.
To : M.M.I.A.

A/11/2

Ref.: 106240/1/2
Date 8/3/45

Subject: Request for Information regarding "UCCI Giovanni.

On the 3rd of October 1943 in "CAPPELLA" region in the ~~neiban~~ neighbourhood of Benevento, UCCI Giovanni a farmer was wounded by German shell ~~shrapnel~~.

He was given first-aid by an American Medical Officer, the wounded man was carried to the 109th Clearing Station, and a few days later to the 94th Evacuation Hospital.

Since then his wife has not received any news from her husband, whose fate she ignorant ignores.

We will be grateful to M.M.I.A if they can communicate to this Cabinet, any possible information regarding UCCI. Giovanni.

By order of
Signed: Chief of the Cabinet
illegible.

Copy sent to Naples L.O.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSIONE A.C.(MMIA)
R O M A

Divisione Sez.
Prot N. 106240/I/2 Allegati

Risposta al f.to del
Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO Richiesta notizie di UCCI Giovanni
Reparto Posta

A 9/3

Il 3 ottobre 1943 in contrada "Cappella", nei pressi di Benevento, il colono UCCI Giovanni rimase ferito da schegge di granata tedesca.

Soccorso da un ufficiale medico americano, il ferito venne trasportato alla 109/th Clearing Station e, dopo qualche giorno, al 94/th Evacuation Hospital.

La moglie del ferito da allora non ebbe più alcuna notizia del marito del quale ignora la sorte.

Si sarà grati a cotesta Sottocommissione se vorrà comunicare a questo Gabinetto ogni possibile notizia del predetto UCCI Giovanni.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject :- Italian Military Personnel Enlistment.

Ref. A/15/8444

M.M.I.A.,
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
ROME.

A/11/2

Patriot Cordona Armando. 187

Reference your letter A/11/2 dated 27 Feb 45, and AQ/11/2 dated 22 Jan 45.

1. The a/n patriot is a Regular Soldier in the Italian Armed Forces, and prior to the cessation of hostilities held the rank of Sergeant Major. In September 1943 his unit became split up and he joined and fought with the Partisan TIGRE band in the Fabriano area for seven months under Captain Roselli Andrea. He at present holds an authority and certificate to this effect, the letter heading reads "V BRIGATA GARBALDI DIV. MARCHE".

2. In June 1944 this man came to this unit as interpreter and Liason N.C.O., with the authority of his Partisan Band Commander. Whilst working with this unit he has been out on numerous patrols and his liason work and interpretation has been excellent and invaluable.

3. It is understood from his brother that it is possible for him, a regular soldier, to claim back pay from the Italian Army from September 1943 in the rank of C.S.M. It is pointed out that he has not been paid by this Company for the whole of the period he has been with us.

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4. I consider this man suitable for promotion to Lieutenant in the Italian Army. May I please be informed whether it is possible for this man to be promoted and paid by the Italian Army, but still remain attached to this unit as Interpreter and Liason Officer.

5. It is further pointed out that this man has reported to the Italian Army Authorities, as to his whereabouts and activities whilst this unit was in the Florence area.

6. This man has a brother who is a Lieutenant (Acting Captain) in the Special Service Forces (P.P.A.) who may be contacted to verify most of the above statements.

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J. Gardner. Major R.E.
Officer Commanding, 572 Army Field Company R.E.

Field,
8 Mar 45.
JNM.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (MMIA)

11/2

DATE: 8 Mar 45.

FILE NO:
SUBJECT: Transit Camp - AFRAGOLA
2nd Provisional Co.
TO : Allied Commission for G-1 (Br)

The attached correspondence is passed to ybu for necessary action please.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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Translation

From : S.M.R.E.
S.D. & Mobilization Office

A/11/2

Ref. No. 13658
Date : March 7, 1945

To : M.M.i.A.

Subject : Sgt. Marino FINOTTI, class of 1918, District of Milan, on duty with the 1st M.T. Battalion of the 2675TH Regt. A.C.

The above NCO, formerly with C.i.L. and now on duty with A.C. (1st M.T. Battalion of the 2675TH Regt., A.C.) has requested to be transfered to the "Goito" Bersaglieri Battalion of the "Legnano" Group. There is no objection to this transfer on the part of his parent unit.

Should there be no special reasons to veto it, may we request that you approve this transfer.

Signed : Giorgio Liuzzi,
General

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

Transfer IN 10/3

N° 13658/Mob. di prot. P.M.3800, lì 7 marzo 1945

OGGETTO : sergente FINOTTI Marino, classe 1918 - distretto di MILANO, in servizio presso il I battaglione autotrasporti del 2675° rgt. A.C..

1/Sgt. FINOTTI, class 1918, serving with 1st I.T. Bn. of 2675 Regt. A.C.

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

e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "LEGNANO" P.M.155
(rif.foglio 04/1624 del 20/2/45)

A 10/3

Il sottufficiale in oggetto, già facente parte del C.I.L. ed attualmente in servizio presso la A.C. (I battaglione autotrasporti del 2675° rgt. A.C.), ha chiesto di essere trasferito al battaglione bersaglieri "GOITO" del Gruppo "LEGNANO". Nulla osta da parte del reparto di appartenenza.

Pregasi - ove non sussistano particolari motivi - autorizzarne il trasferimento.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Giorgio Liuzzi)

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Consular Section,
British Embassy,
ROME

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From: Consular Section, British Embassy, Rome.

To: Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C., (M.M.I.A.) - Rome.

Subject: Claim to British Nationality - GUIDI Alfredo
GUIDI Gino.

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1. Reference your memorandum of February 26th, the above named men's claim to British nationality could be established provided they can be properly identified and are able to submit their certificates of birth on British soil, which could be verified in the United Kingdom.

2. However, the possession of British nationality would not affect their status as Italian subjects unless they were able to satisfy the Italian authorities that they had not acquired Italian nationality at birth, or had subsequently lost it. This they were presumably unable to do, and they were dealt with as Italians whose master nationality in Italy is Italian.

3. It is noted that they are unable to give a definite statement as to whether or no their parents were naturalized; under Italian law it would appear necessary to establish that fact in the first instance and they would be well-advised to ascertain the form in which such evidence should be placed before the Italian authorities. It is suggested that as an immediate step they should obtain from their parents particulars of any certificates of naturalization held (such as number, date and place of issue) in order to establish a prima facie case for not being regarded as Italian subjects.

4. It was before the war a common thing for Italians possessing British nationality as well to return to this country, whereupon they automatically came under Italian law and ceased to be entitled to protection as British subjects so long as they remained here.

Copy sent to Consulate Rome 15/3 PH 12/3.

Rome, March 6th, 1945.

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(D. Cameron)
H. M. Consul.

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel OR's.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
A/II/2

7 March 45.

Ministry of War.

Soldier PETROSINO Nicola.

1. AFHQ has informed this HQ that they have received a letter section 3/A, file N° 38856 from the Ministry of War, Director General of conscription, sub section of the Armed Forces, Bureau of civil records, Golden Registry, dated 9th Feb.

2. AFHQ state that they are unable to supply any particulars of the above named soldier on information given in your letter referred to in para I.

3. It is therefore requested that if possible the designation of the Allied unit with which soldier PETROSINO was reported to be serving may be forwarded in order that further inquiries may be made.

S P Archer Capt

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION
APO 394

R/6312

7 March 1945

SUBJECT : Enquiries regarding Italian soldiers.

TO : HQ. Allied Commission.
(Attn: Land Forces Sub-Commission)

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The attached are copies of enquiries which have been made regarding Italian soldiers.

It is presumed that letters posted through the Italian civilian mail will be delivered, but we should be glad to know if there is any means of checking on the addresses.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A.D. Bonham-Carter

A.D. BONHAM-CARTER
Lt.Colonel
Executive Officer.

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel - inquiries .

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
A/II/2
6 March 45.

Ministry of War.

I. The attached letters making inquiries in respect to individual Italian soldiers have been returned to this HQ by AFHQ with the following observation :

" The only records maintened by the Allied
" Authorities in respect of individual Italian
" soldiers are those for PsW. There is nothing
" in the nature of these cases to suggest that
" the men concerned are likely to be PsW. Never-
" theless, PW records have been searched but no
" trace has been found."

2. AFHQ has further stated that in future no such inquiries will be forwarded direct to that HQ. Will you please therefore ensure that in future the proper channels of communication (ie.M.M.I.A.) are used.

F.J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A. 2663

Copy to AFHQ, Your OR/3155, of 2nd March (for G I Br) refers.

FJN/fc

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A/11/196

SUBJECT:- Italian Soldiers - Enquiries. 7/3.

Liaison Officer.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC,
(M.M.I.A.),
c/o Rear HQ, Eighth Army.

MMIA LO,
att Fifth Army.
(Br Incr).

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4 Mar 45.

Sold. MOZZA Domenico (1921 Class).

1. AFHQ have directed that enquiries be made to trace this soldier and that the results be forwarded to HQ MMIA for information of the Ministry of War.

2. He may well be a member of XXI Pack Tpt Gp - no Pack Tpt Units are u/c Eighth Army in this area.

3. Will you please investigate and inform HQ MMIA direct. A copy and translation of Signor MOZZA's letter to Count SFORZA are attached.

B.J. Lauenstein
Major.
MMIA LO, Rear Eighth Army.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.). R O M E.

(ref A/11/2 dated 27 Feb 45).

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel - Inquiries.

Land Forces Sub Comm.
M.M.I.A.
ROME
A/11/2

4 Mar.45.

Ministry of War

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Ref : Your 306647/2 CA, 09 Dec.44

1. The following information has been received from HQ 2 Polish Corps concerning the soldiers listed in your above quoted letter and is forwarded herewith.

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

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E x t r a c t from letter 3I2/ Inf.Sec 45,
HQ 2 Polish Corps G.S.I.
23 Feb. 45.

We are notified that the under mentioned Italian soldiers are at the present moment in 2 Polish Corps :

Sgt. Valerio Angelo	born I9II
Pte.Spaniardi Alberto	" I92I
Pte.Calderone Michele	" I923
Cpl.Brunetti Attili	" I9I7.

Pte Pauletti Ferdinando born I923 and Pte Sustersich Stanislaw born I926 are, as far as we know, attached to Units of the 5th American Army.

Pte Cimini Giuseppe	born I926
Pte Pizzola Emilio	" I924
Pte Farraci Antonio	" I927

were discharged from 2 Polish Corps in the middle of October I944 and have rejoined their families in Campobasso area.

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Subject: Sergeant Antonio Frasca

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
A/11/2
5 March 1945

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To : Economic Section, Hq ALCOM

Reference your FS/2.03 of 8 November 1944

1. The Ministry of War reports that Sergeant Frasca has not yet returned to his unit in accordance with instructions. His leave has long since expired, having been granted in August 1944.

2. Inasmuch as this soldier was granted leave at your request, please advise what has happened to him.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

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SUBJECT:- Closure of certain ITI-ITI Distribution Depots.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
SE/53/6

3. March 45.

Ministry of War.

1. In view of the very low feeding strengths of Units drawing from certain ITI-ITI Distribution Depots it has been decided to close the following:-

Unit Designation	Names of Distribution Depots to be closed	To close on	Units at present drawing will draw from	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
56 Food Dis. Depot	CAMPOBASSO (Bari Sector)	31/3/45	FOGGIA	Units transferred to FOGGIA will draw once each month.
52 Food Dis. Depot	POTENZA (Bari Sector)	31/3/45	BARI	
61 Food Dis. Depot	AVELLINO (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	NAPLES	
62 Food Dis. Depot	BENEVENTO (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	CASERTA	
Temporary	PIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	CASERTA	

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(1)	Depots to be closed (2)	(3)	drawing will draw from (4)	(5)
56 Food Dis. Depot	CAMPOBASSO (Bari Sector)	31/3/45	FOGGIA	Units transferred to FOGGIA will draw once each month.
52 Food Dis. Depot	POTENZA (Bari Sector)	31/3/45	BARI	
61 Food Dis. Depot	AVELLINO (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	NAPLES	
62 Food Dis. Depot	BENEVENTO (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	CASERTA	
Temporary	PIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE (Naples Sector)	31/3/45	CASERTA	
50 Food Dis. Depot	LECCE (Taranto Sector)	31/3/45	BRINDISI	

2. You should instruct the respective Commissariati to supervise the closing of the depots and to arrange, if required, for replenishment of only those commodities required for issue up to the 31st March 1945. After taking into consideration total stocks needed up to and including 31st March 1945, any surplus should be transferred to the appropriate depot shown in column 4 of para 1 above.

3. Please report to this Hq by the 5th April 1945 that the depots have been closed and the disposition of the unemployed personnel.

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As you are aware, the personnel made available by closure of depots will be held in readiness for employment in forward areas as and when required.

K. L. Thurlow

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

Copy to:- 10's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
BARI)
NAPLES (For supervisory action.
TARANTO)

Internal: Col.KERR
'Q' MMIA
'A' MMIA

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SUBJECT:- Enquiries re missing Italians.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3155/G1(Br).
2 Mar
Feb 45.

M.M.I.A.

1. The attached enquiries (with translations attached) have been addressed to this Headquarters by the Italian Authorities.

2. The only records maintained by the Allied Authorities in respect of individual Italian soldiers are those for PW. There is nothing in the nature of these cases to suggest that the men concerned are likely to be PW, but nevertheless PW records have been searched and no trace of these men has been found.

3. Will you please return these enquiries to the Italian Authorities with the request that no more of this nature be submitted in future.

P. Thorp 26/3

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

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Copy to:- Liaison (Reference IRS 350.03 (It) dated 15 Feb 45.)

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Ministry of War
Office

PM 3800 24 January 1945

To Commanding Officer
AFHQ

Nº 38093 of Prot 3/A
69737

Subject: MICHELI Vinicio, son of Ermanno
Workman attached (to AF)

Information is requested concerning said workman. According to facts presented by his wife (Elena MICHELI, resident of Livorno, Via Benedetto Brin, 4) on one occasion when she sought the intercession of this command, he was probably assigned as a workman to the 50th Company of engineers attached to the Anglo-American Army.

The Commanding Officer

s/Luigi Ricci, Col

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Ministry of War
Office

PM 3800 25 January 1945

To AFHQ

#38118 of Prot —
67827

Subject: Pvt Murrone Gesuene, son of Annunziato - Class 1923.

Information is requested if the above-named private is located among Italian units fighting with the Anglo-American armies.

Formerly in service with the Allied Command at the following organization: "Special Company 1000 AA per A-R.A.C.S. Taranto", in March he informed us of his transfer to an unknown destination. From such date he has sent no further word to his family.

The Commanding Officer

s/Luigi Ricci (Col)

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Ministry of War
Office

FM 3800 24 January 1945

To AFHQ

#38111 of Prot 3/A
68303

Subject: Pvt Addivinola Armando, son of Enrico

and for the information of

Italian Red Cross
Office Prigionieri e Ricerche
Via Puglie, 6, Rome.

With request for prompt transmittal, the requested information nos. 10502 and 2620, are forwarded pertaining to the above-named soldier.

The Commanding Officer

s/Luigi Ricci, Col

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Italian Red Cross

Office of Inquiries of P/W and Allied Services
(International Secretariat of Private Information)
Rome Via Puglie, 6 Tel #41.530 Telegraph Crocerossa Roma

Service X

Prot 10502 mil/arm

Rome 24 Nov 44

Subject: Pvt ADDIVINOLA
Armando son of Enrico

To: Office of Liaison
Allied Mission
Ministry of War
PM 151

38111/3/A

24 Jan 45

Reference letter this office #2620 of 24 Sept last year—which is appended in copy—please transmit news regarding the soldier in question, who left with the Americans going to Venafro (Campobasso) on 1 Jan 44.

Awaiting a prompt reply, I thank you.

Director of Service X

a/Carlo Porzio, General

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Service X

Prot #2620 Mil/Arm

Rome 24 Sept 1944

Pvt ADDIVINOLA Armando, son of Enrico
Born at Contrada (Avellino)
1 Oct 1926 - Munitions Camp
53/A.S.P. -04/12

Office of Allied Liaison Mission
Ministry of War PM 151

A request has arrived in this office pertaining to the above-named person.

Will this Office of Liaison kindly secure the desired information and forward all news which it can gather?

Thank you in advance.

Director of Service X

s/Carlo Porzio, General

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LAND FORCES 1520 191

SUBJECT:- Sold. Nicola PETROSINO.

A/11/2

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3155/G1+(Br).

1 Mar 45.

M.M.I.A.

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1. Attached is translation of a letter received at this Headquarters from the Italian Ministry of War.

2. It is not understood what is meant by "a unit which had been incorporated in the Anglo-American forces". It is requested that the Ministry of War be advised that it is impossible without further particulars to furnish the information requested.

Encl.
HDH/JM

2 MAR 1945

H.D. HARPER, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

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ROME 9 FEB 1945

Ministry of War
Director General of Conscription Subsection of the Armed Forces
Bureau of Civil Records Golden Registry

Section 3/A
File No 38856

TO : The Allied High Command AFHQ

SUBJECT: Soldier Nicola Petrosino

.....and, for information: TO THE ITALIAN RED CROSS
Office of Prisoner Information
ROME
No. 6, Via Puglie

Request is respectfully submitted to your Command to furnish all possible information on the soldier in question to the organization above named for information (i.e. Italian Red Cross). Details of his family and birth are as follows:

Soldier Nicola PETROSINO whose father is the late Antonio Petrosino and whose mother is Anna Pastore was born in Salerno on 23 September 1923.

During the month of July 1944 this soldier was fighting in a unit which had been incorporated in the Anglo-American Forces

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THE COLONEL IN CHARGE

(Luigi Ricci)
/s/ L. Ricci

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Translation.

FROM: S.M.R.E.
TO: M.M.I.A.

A/11/2

REF: 878/SP/1.
DATE: 28 FEB. 1946.

Subject: 1/Sgt. FRASCA Antonio. 105

Further to letter 13188/SP/1 dated 22 November 44 and with reference to para. 4 of letter AG/11/2 dated 94
14 November 44. 2nd Italian HQ. has notified us, on 21 Feb. last, that 1/Sgt. FRASCA Antonio has still not reported to the 27 Service Battn. of the 8th Bn. Group.

We will notify you upon his reporting.

Sgd. LUIZZI.
Gen.

Ciani.

See my letter to Econ Sec 5 March

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T.Sp.Nr. 11/2 (2)

DARB/mq

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

N. 3800, li 28-febb. 45

Al LA L.F.S.C. A.C.
(M.M.I.A)
ROMA

IN

N° 878 / SP/1 di prot.

Allegati N. .....

OGGETTO: Sergente FRASCA Antonio .-

A seguito del foglio 13188/SP/I. in data 22 novembre 1944 e con riferimento al n.4 del foglio AQ/11/2 del 14 novembre 1945, il comando italiano 212 ha comunicato, in data 21 febbraio u.s., che il sergente FRASCA Antonio non si è ancora presentato al XXVII battaglione servizi dell'8° Gruppo Battaglioni.-

Riserva di comunicazione a presentazione avvenuta.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Giorgio Liuzzi)
Gliuzzi

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Translation.

FROM: War Ministry
TO: M.M.I.A.

A/11/2

REF: 204815/4
213-1-1.
DATE. 27 FEB. 1945.

Subject: Italian civilians - Volunteers for military service.

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In reply to letter AG/11/2 of 29-12-44.

Whilst appreciating the high volunteering spirit which animates the supporters of the Somaliland Communist Party, this Ministry cannot accept volunteers over 36 years of age. This standard also applies to candidates for enlistment in the Air Force. The competent Ministry has been referred to in respect of candidatio for the Navy.

Naturally, in respect of the matter of transport of those who will be drafted in Italy, the problem will eventually have to be resolved by Allied availabilities.

We take the opportunity to beg of you to be so kind as to extend to the Somaliland compatriots the greetings of the brother Italians of the mainland.

Too long!

Sgd. SUMARY.

GAL/su.

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

IN
27 FEB 1946

Prot. N° 204815 /II *Allegati*
213-1-1

Risposta al disp. del

~~*Roma*~~ P.M.3800

Div. *Sez.*

OGGETTO: Civili italiani - Volontari per il servizio militare.-

Italian Civilians - Volunteers for Military Service

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

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Risposta alla lettera AQ/11/2 del 29/XII/u.s.-

Pur apprezzando l'alto spirito volontaristico che anima gli esponenti del Partito Comunista in Somalia, questo Ministero non può accogliere volontari che abbiano superato i 35 anni di età. Tale criterio vale anche per gli aspiranti all'arruolamento nella R.Aeronautica. Per quanto riguarda gli aspiranti alla R.Marina è stato interessato il competente Ministero.

Naturalmente per quanto ha tratto al trasporto di coloro che saranno fatti affluire in Italia, la relativa questione dovrà essere eventualmente risolta nel quadro delle possibilità alleate.-

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Si prega con l'occasione di voler far pervenire ai connazionali della Somalia il saluto dei fratelli italiani del Continente.-

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject:- Italian Soldiers - Enquiries.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

27 Feb 45.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
Rear H.Q. 8 Army.

Sold. MOZZA Domenico (1921 Class)

1. The attached copy of a letter, from the father of the above named soldier, which was forwarded by the Ministry of War to A.F.H.Q., is sent to you for action please.

2. A.F.H.Q. have directed that enquiries be made concerning the above named and the results forwarded to the Ministry of War.

3. Please advise this H.Q. of any information you may be able to obtain in respect of Sold. MOZZA.

S P Archer Capt.

S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General, 6
M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel-Enlistment.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

27 Feb 45.

O.C. 572 Army Field Coy R.E.
C.M.F.

Patriot Cordona Armando.

1. On 15 Jan/45 the Italian Ministry of War referred to this H.Q. an enquiry, in respect of the above named Patriot, which had been received from O.C. 552 Army Fld Coy R.E.

2. The attached letter was therefore addressed to O.C. 552 Army Fld Coy R.E., and was subsequently returned to this H.Q. by the A.P.O., who were unable to locate the addressee.

3. The Ministry of War have now informed this H.Q. that they have reason to believe that Cordona is known to you.

4. If this matter is of no interest to you will you please advise this H.Q., whether or not you know the address of 552 Army Fld Coy R.E.

S.P. Archer

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

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Subject:- Claim to British Nationality.

Land Forces Sub Comd. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

26 Feb 45.

H.B.M. Consul
British Consulate,
R O M E

GUIDI Alfred
ODDI Gino.

1. The above named men, who are at present serving in the ranks of the Italian Army, claim that they are entitled to British Nationality, and that they should not, therefore, be liable for service in the Italian Army.

2. The attached documents give the history and other particulars of these two men and it is requested that you will please examine the claims made by them, advising this H.Q. of the result in due course.

3. Should it be found that Guidi and Oddi are British Subjects; this H.Q. will take action to have them discharged from the Italian Army, in which case it is presumed that they will be liable for service with the British Armed Forces.

S P Archer Capt 26/2/45

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

Copy to:- M.M.I.A. L.O. Sardinia
Your letter of 19 Feb/45 refers. — 180

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.F.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

26 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

ZANELLA Antonio
151 Pent. C.C.R.

1. The attached copy letter is forwarded for your attention.

2. Will you please make enquiries and advise this H.Q. whether you are able to identify the above named soldier.

3. It will be noted that the Unit designation does not appear to be complete and may even be or Unit of the C.C.R.R.

S P Archer Capt.

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

Copy to:- Public Safety S/C A.C.
Will you please enquire if the man is known to the C.C.R.R.
L.P.P. & R S/C A.C.
Your DPR/10-25/RW of 19 Feb refers.

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

24 Feb 45.

H.Q. Pistoia Province
A.M.G.
C.M.F.

FORESI Pasquale

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Further to this H.Q. letter AQ/11/2
of 10 Dec/14 (copy to you).

In reply to the above quoted letter the Ministry of War have given the available information concerning the above named on accordance with the attached copy translation.

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

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Subject:- Service in Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A/11/2

24 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Cpl. DECONTO
Rfts Depot Orvieto

1. As will be seen from the attached statement, the above named H.Q.O. claims Belgian Nationality and on those grounds considers that he should be released from service in the Italian Army for service, with a British or French Unit.

2. Will you please examine the records of this man, and inform this H.Q. as to whether or not Cpl. Deconto's claim is justified thereby.

S.P. Archer Capt

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

Copy to:- O.C. Italian
Rfts Depot ORVIETO
your BI/I3/100 of 18 Feb refers. — 176 26

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MAIN 2 POLISH CORPS G.S.I. 182/1

Subject:Location of Italian soldiers.

Ref.G.2./Inf.Sec.45

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TO

M.M.I.A.

Ref.your 306647/2 CA dated 19 Dec

We are notified that the under mentioned Italian soldiers are at the present moment in 2 Polish Corps:

Sgt.Valerio Angelo born 1911
Pte.Spaniardi Alberto " 1921
Pte.Calderone Michele " 1923
Cpl.Brunetti Attili " 1917.

Pte Pauletti Ferdinando born 1923 and Pte Sustersich Stanislaw born 1926 are, as far as We know,attached to Units of the 5-th American Army.

Pte Cimini Giuseppe born 1926
Pte Pizzola Emilio " 1924
Pte Farraci Antonio " 1927 were discharged from 2 Polish Corps in the middle of October 1944 and have rejoined their families in Campobasso area.

BAKIEWICZ Lt.Col.
G.2 /I/

2C.J

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TRANSLATION

From : MINISTRY OF WAR
To : M.M.I.A.

Ref 306647/2 CA
Date 19 Dec 44

Subject : Location of Italian Soldiers.

The u/m soldiers of the II Polish Corps had to be transferred to the C.I.L. as agreed by the HQ of the Corps and Col W.MICHNIEWICZ. But this transfer did not occur.

We shall be gratefull if you would pelase ask for information from the II Polish Corps as to the actual location of these soldiers.

1203 - fugito 19/10/44	C.M.	BRUNETTI Attilio	Class 1917 -	1203
no	Sold	SPANIARDI Alberto	Class 1921 —	
fugito 19/11/1944	"	PAULETTI Ferdinado	" 1923 -	
" " "	"	SUSTERSICH Stanislao(Remigio)	Class 1926 -	
no	"	CALDERONE Michele	Class 1923 —	
no	"	CIMINI Giuseppe	" 1926 —	
fugito 22/11/1944	"	FARRACI Antonio	" 1921 —	
presente	"	VALERIO Angelo (Sergente)	" 1911	
no	"	PIZZOLA Emilio	" 1924 —	

Sgd Chief of Cabinet

1201/927 Gaetani ..... - 13/11/44

Za zgodnosc odpisu :

Kosmider, 2/Lt

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SUBJECT: Drivers for Mobile Canteens.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A/11/2.
23 Feb'45.

Ministry of War.

Copies to:- Ufficio di Benessere del Soldato.
Welfare M.M.I.A.

1. Reference Minutes of Meeting for the formation of Italian Women's Volunteer Canteen Service, Feb.3rd.1945.

2. Please instruct HQ 228 Division to make immediately available six (6) drivers for driving mobile canteens.

3. These drivers should report to the Ministry of War as soon as possible.

4. Drivers should be carefully selected for competence and responsibility, from those trained on British vehicles.

W. Pidduly colonel
& Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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AG 091.713/105 GCT-O

A/11/2 Landforces 8/a

20 February 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army Welfare

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

1. Attached is a letter from the Italian Ministry of War, reference Number 38048/69583 of protocol 3/A, dated 23 January 1945, in which, as a result of the petition addressed to His Excellancy Count Carlo Sforza also attached herewith full details are requested relative to the whereabouts of Pvt Mozza Domenico.

2. It is requested that an investigation be made and the necessary information supplied to the Ministry of War.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

R. H. Frese

R. H. FRESE
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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Ltr fr Italian
Ministry of War,
dtd 23 Jan 45, ref
No 38048/69583

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a richiesta.
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Ministero della Guerra

GABINETTO

N° 38049 / 69583 di prot. 3/A

Al COMANDO in CAPO ALLEATO

A.F.H.Q.

OGGETTO: Soldato MOZZA Domenico di Ettore -cl.1921.-

Le Segreteria Particolare di S.E. il Conte SFORZA ha trasmesso a questo Gabinetto, lettera del Sig.r MOZZA Ettore, che si unisce in copia.

Si prega voler accertare e comunicare ogni possibile notizia relativa al militare in oggetto, onde poter riferire a quella Segreteria.-

IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(Luigi Ricci)

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C O P I A

Roma 2 dicembre 1945

A S.E. IL CONTE CARLO SFORZA
R O M A

Io sottoscritto MOZZA Ettore fu Domenico residente a Roma vIaFlaminia n.259 - con animo straziato dal dolore chiedo quanto segue: mio figlio Domenico, della classe 1921, dopo tante peripezie per sfuggire alla cattura da parte dei nazi-fascisti, per mio consiglio e per suo desiderio, spinti ambedue da quel senso di italianità mai andato distrutto, si presentò alla chiamata alle armi indetta dal nuovo goverho democratico italiano. Fu incorporato dalla Caserma Bianchi in un centro salmistico a seguito dell'8^ Armata e partì verso il 6-7 luglio per Fossombrone.-

Da quel giorno nessuna notizia. Mia moglie gravemente ammalata di cuore e sofferente di diabete, sconosce l'intima mia tragedia e lo strazio della mia anima vivendo soltanto di speranza e di notizie che io di giorno in giorno le do inventandole.

Eccellenza, non chiedo nulla, chiedo soltanto notizie di mio figlio.

Colla speranza che Lei sappia darmi un po' di luce La ringrazio e attendo fiducioso.-

f° MOZZA Ettore

P.C.C.
IL CAPO DELLA 3^SEZIONE
(T.Col.A.Milanese)

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - Albo d'Oro - Assistenza

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.Ministry of War

PM 3800 23 Jan 45

Office

To AFHQ

No 38048/69583 of protocol 3/A

SUBJECT: Pvt Mozza Domenico, son of Ettore
class of 1921

The private Secretary of His Excellency Court Sforza has forwarded to this office a letter from Mr Mozza Ettore, of which a copy is enclosed.

It is requested that every possible detail relative to said soldier be ascertained and communicated to this headquarters, it will be referred to the Secretary.

The Commanding Officer
(Luigi Ricci)
(S)

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Rome 2 Dec 45

COPY

To His Excellency Count Carlo Sforza
Rome

I, the undersigned Mozza Ettore, son of Domenico (deceased), resident at Rome, Via Flaminia, 259 - with heart torn with sorrow petition as follows: my son Domenico of the class of 1921, after many wanderings to escape capture by the Nazi - Fascists, on my counsel and from his own desire, since both of us are motivated by indestructible patriotism - presented himself for induction to the army as directed by the new democratic government. He was assigned to the Caserma Bianchi in a QM Depot attached to the 8th Army and left on 6-7 July for Fossombrone.-

Since that day I've had no news. My wife, seriously ill of heart trouble and diabetes, is ignorant of my secret tragedy and the torment of my soul, which lives only in hope of news, which from day to day I invent for her.

Excellency, I ask nothing, only news of my son.

With the hope that you can give me a little enlightenment, I thank you and await faithfully.

Mozza Ettore (s)

P.C.C.
Head of the 3d Section
(Lt Col A. Milanese)
(s)

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(The Stamp of the Ministry of War)

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

AG 11/2

19 February 1945

SUBJECT: Claim to British Nationality.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. Inclosed is letter HQ/2114 from Headquarters Allied Commission, Sardinia Region dated 16 February 1945, together with record of service in Italian Army, certified copy of Birth Certificate of claimants to British Nationality of Oldi Gino and Guidi Alfredo, both members of the Italian Army in Sardinia and working for Allied Commission.

2. Request that the inclosed be forwarded to the proper authority for a decision and advise what action, if any, is to be taken by this office.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

Forwarded to Lieutenant Colonel Purkeland Sub Commission HQ Br Comm 14 24/2 SPA

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

16th February 1945

Reference : HQ/2114

Subject : Claim to British Nationality

To : Land Forces Sub-Commission Representative for SARDINIA.

1. Attached is record of Service in the Italian Army together with Certified Copy of Birth Certificates of Claimants to British Nationality.

2. It is requested that consideration be given by the appropriate British and Italian Authorities for the complete discharge from the Italian Army of the men in question.

3. The Applicants are at present, and have been for the past twelve months, employed by the Allied Commission, Sardinia Region.

For the Regional Commissioner,

JOHN H. MEWEY.
Captain.
Regional H.Q. Commandant.

JHM/ajs.

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LAND FORCES SUB - COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/144/1
19 Feb 45.

SUBJECT : Surplus Personnel.

To : Ministry of War.

Copy : AFHQ for Labour Directorate } ref AFHQ DL/4/144
3 District } of 17 Feb 45.

1. It is understood that the following NCO's are surplus in 403 and 406 Pnr Regts :-

	2 Bn 403 Regt	2 Bn 406 Regt
CSM's	-	19
Sgts	39	16
Cpls	60	73

2. It is also noted that 2 Bn 403 Regt are deficient of 3 CSM's.

3. Please arrange for the posting of these surplus NCO's to fill deficiencies in other Pnr units, and report to this HQ the numbers so absorbed.

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Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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

DPR/10-25/RW Tel. 478301 19 February 1945

AG 11/2

SUBJECT : Enquiries - Persons.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission
A.C. Headquarters

1. JELICIC, Mladinka, a Yugoslav refugee, arrived at Bari from Spalato on 4 February 1945 together with her child Nada aged 1½ years.

2. She claims to have come to find her fiancee (who is also allegedly the father of her child) in order that they may be married.

3. Her fiancee, an Italian, is said to be serving in the Italian Army "somewhere" in liberated Italy. His particulars are as follows:

ZANELLA Antonio
151 Fant., C.C.R.

4. It would be appreciated if Zanella could be traced through the appropriate Italian channels and informed of his fiancees presence at No. 1 Transit Camp (Refugees), Bari.

For the Director,

G. HARTMAN 2629
Major,
Repatriation Officer.

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From Min of War
To, M.M.I.K.

AG 11/2 Ref No. 104692/1
128-1-5
Dated 19th Feb 1945.

Subject:- Pasquale Foresti 124

Ref AG 11/2 - 10/12/44

We forward information concerning the A/M.

Pasquale Foresti, a member in the republican army, proceeded to Cassino on the 25th Dec 1943, in order to get to the front.

On the 8th January he arrived at Vico in Lazio, wearing civilian clothes and was sheltered by Signora Bragaloni Angela n. Tomei, until 25 March 1944. He then left saying he was returning home to his parents.

We have no information of him since that time.

Sgd. ??

(L. Capannini)

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Roma: 19 FEB 1945

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Ministero della Guerra
GABINETTO

ALLIED LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C.(MMIA)
R O M A

Direzione Sez.
Prot. N. 104692/1 Allegati
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Ripostata del 10/12/1944
Div. Sez. n. 11/2

OGGETTO: Pasquale FORESTI

Si comunicano le notizie richieste sul nominato in oggetto.

Pasquale FORESTI, incorporato nell'esercito repubblicano, il 25 dicembre 1943 partì alla volta di Cassino per raggiungere il fronte.

L'8 gennaio rientrò a Vico nel Lazio, in abito civile e fu ospitato dalla signora BRAGALONI Angela in TOMEI, fino al 25 marzo 1944. Si allontanò poi, dicendo che tornava alla casa paterna.

Da quell'epoca non si sono avute notizie del Foresti.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject:- TRANSFER FROM ITALIAN ARMY

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Italian Reinforcemen Depot, ORVIETO.

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm. Rei.BI/13/NO
(MMIA) 18 Feb.43

Ref. enclosed statement in English and Italian by Cpl. DECONTO

I have interviewed this N.C.O. and, from papers in his possession he seems to be genuine.
He is being retained at this Depot pending instructions from you.
I enclose his application to be released from the Italian Army and sent to a British or French Unit.
I recommend his application.

See folio 26 & 214

W.E.Tunyard major

ORH/rd Comm.British Cadre Iti.Rit.Depot

We have no record of this man. Will he please be asked to check records. PH 24/2

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Subject

Statement by:-
Cpl DEC(TO REMO

I was born at TRENISO in 1921.
My family and myself went to Belgium because of Fasist persecution and, became Naturalised Belgium Subjects.
My family is still in Belgium including my wife and, little girl of 4 years of age. the address is:-

RUE CARLOS 20
BRAY BELGIUM.

I was taken prisoner by the Germans in 1941 and sent to Italy where I was forced to join the Army. I did not volunteer My three brothers joined the Fighting French Forces and, as far as I know are still serving.
I speak Italian, French, Flemish and, a little German.
I was called up with the Italian Army and, sent to Orvieto.
I am not an Italian and do not wish to serve with the Italian Army.
I would be most grateful if I could serve either with a Btitish or French Unit and, be released from Service with the Italian Army.

Ex. Corpl Remo

Cpl. The London Highlanders.

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Subject:- Return of soldiers unsuitable for training.

Reference:- AF/37/45.

To:- Commandant,
Italian Reinforcement Camp, C.M.F.

Copy to:- M.M.I.A.

Ref. ABOVE Marks.

The above named is posted to your unit on verbal authority from M.M.I.A.

This man is suffering from conjunctivitis and for reasons of his complaint it is considered that he is unsuitable for training as a Farrier. Medical Officer's report is attached hereto.

Owing to the short period that he has beenwith this unit, solely training as a Farrier, and having no particulars of the man I am unable to suggest an alternative occupation for which he would be more suitable. During the short period of his course of instruction he worked very well.

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Major, R.A.V.C.
Commanding, No. 1 School of Farriery, R.A.V.C.

Field.
16 Feb 45.

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Reference:- BF/37/45.

To:- Commandant,
Italian Reinforcement Camp,
C.M.F.

Copy to:- M.M.I.A.

Sold. MORO Albino.

The above named Italian soldier is being returned to you as unsuitable for training as a Farrier.

He stated that he had no desire to work with mules and he showed no aptitude to learn Farriery.

He is quite an intelligent man, and for the last week he has been performing the duties of Medical Orderly for the Italian Increment.

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Major, R.A.V.C.
Commanding, No. 1 School of Farriery, R.A.V.C.

Field.
16 Feb 45.
RS.

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Copies Translation Ref:- Further to letter No 402483/R.P.G.R.

Dated:- 31st Jan. U.S.

Ref:- 403104

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From:- M.of W.

To:- M.M.I.A.

Subject:- Italian military on the Isle of Lissa.

AQ 11/2

Appended is an explanatory account obtained on the wretched conditions under which our soldiers exist on the Isles of Lissa and Biscovo.

I sincerely hope that the sub commission will interest the competent authorities so that the repatriation of the A/m soldiers may be effected as early as possible.

A. MANNERINI

Signed. ~~G. Mannerini~~ (General Commander of independant office)

F. D'Amuro C.R.M.S.

Army Pantriday
W.M.D + R.P.W
in dealing with Mail
S.C.M. 1/9/45

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

Roma, 7 Febbraio 1945

Al

Divisione *Sez.*
Prot. 403104 RPGR *Allegati* 1

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. *Sez.* *N.*

OGGETTO Militari italiani a Lissa.
Italian internees on the Isl of LISSA

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) = R O M A =
(seguito f° questo Ministero n.402483/RPGR
del 31 gennaio u.s.)

WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND ITALIAN P.W.
SUB COMMISSION A.C. = R O M A =

" " " " " " " " " "

Si trasmette l'unito stralcio di una relazione pervenuta sulle tristi condizioni in cui versano i nostri militari esistenti a Lissa e nell'isolotto di Biscevo.

Si prega vivamente codesta Sottocommissione d'interessare le com= [illegible] perchè il rimpatrio di tali militari sia effettuato

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

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Translation

Italian Military on Lissa

On the 23 Dec on the islands of Lissa, and the small island of Biscero, 4500 Italian soldiers were imprisoned, the majority being ex-prisoners of the Germans. They are employed in diverse ways, road-construction, canalisation, loading and unloading cargoes at the ports. They are permanently guarded by fascism guards.
Food is very scarse and they make do with great difficulty, on hot water, bread, and a spoon of preserves, for meals.
They are lodged in large rooms (ex stables) sleep on stone floors, with only two half blankets per man. Nearly everyone is suffering from stomach troubles, such as (ulcers) ~~ulcers~~ dissentry (sicca) and organic weaknesses.

The treatment is inhuman. Any manifestation of resentment on the part of the prisoners, is countered by the shooting of the offenders.
From the 10th Nov, to 20th Dec, it is calculated that approx, 1800 prisoners were shot, and the bodies disposed of in the sea. These mass executions occurred on ~~Biscero~~ Biscero. Prisoners almost naked, who show signs of fatigue are made object of reprisals by the guards who fire low, intent on hitting the legs of the offenders
Medical treatment is refused. An Italian M.O. who operated on a soldiers offender, was segregated. The sick man was refused a bed, and the necessary transfusion of Plasma, by the political commissioners. Food and available assistance on the part of the male nurses, was also refused. Signed ~~F. Bordoni~~ F. BORDONI (Lt Colonel)
(Commander General Affairs Div 36th)

F. D'Ormeno C.R.M.S

STRALCIO

MILITARI ITALIANI A LISSA

Al 23 dicembre vi erano tra Lissa e l'isolotto di Biscevo 4500 soldati italiani, in gran parte ex prigionieri dei tedeschi. Sono adibiti ad ogni specie di lavoro, come costruzioni di strade, canalizzazioni, panificazioni, sbarco ed imbarco merci al porto. Essi sono permanentemente sorvegliati da sentinelle partigiane. Il vitto è scarsissimo e si compone, generalmente, in acqua calda, pane ed un cucchiaio di marmellata per pasto. L'alloggio in grandi cameroni (ex stalle) sul nudo pavimento con solo due mezze coperte. Quasi tutti sono ammalati di stomaco (ulcere,) di dessenteria (sirca) e deperimento organico. Il trattamento è disumano; qualunque manifestazione di risentimento e di italianità è troncato con la fucilazione. Dal 10 novembre al 20 dicembre si calcola siano stati fucilati circa 1800 soldati, buttando i cadaveri in mare. Le esecuzioni in massa avvengo a Biscevo. Soldati che, nudi quasi completamente, durante il lavoro dimostrano stanchezza, vengono fatti oggetto di rappresaglia da parte delle sentinelle che sparano addosso, colpendo le gambe. Le cure mediche vengono rifiutate. Un medico italiano per avere operato un soldato di appendicite perforan= [illegible] fu segregato. All'ammalato furono rifiutati, dai commissari politi=

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IL TEN.COLONNELLO

CAPO DIVISIONE AFFARI GENERALI

(F.Bordoni)

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Translation

From : War Ministry
To : MMIA (ref. letters AA/11/2 of 24/1/45 and AA/11/2 of 8±/2/45) Rome.

Ref. No. 40208/Tr.
Date : Feb. 14, 1945

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Subject : Private Angelo Umbelli.

We hereby inform you that this Ministry is inquiring with the proper military commands in order to locate the soldier in question and define his military status.

Signed : Maj. Gen. Ugo Buttà

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M.M.

Roma, 14 FEB. 1945 — 1944

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
LEVA, SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA

Alla L.F.S.C.A.C. (IMIA)
(rif. f°nn.AA/11/2 del 3/1/945
e AA/11/2 dell'8/1/1945) ROMA

Divisione Truppa Sez 1^
Prot. N. 40208/Tr Allegati

Risposta al f. del
Div. Sez. 1°

OGGETTO fante USUBELLI Angelo.

e, per conoscenza:
ALL'UFFICIO INTERPRETI DEL GABINETTO SEDE
(rif. traduzioni n.117/C e 213/C)

Si comunica che questo Ministero sta esperendo le opportune indagini presso i Comandi Militari competenti per il rintraccio del militare in oggetto e per la di lui definitiva sistemazione della posizione militare.

p. IL MINISTRO
(Gen.di Div.Ugo Buttà)

Gallotti

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Translation (1724/1

from: MM of W
to: MMIA

AQ/11/2 ref. 103170/111.1.5 15

13 Feb. 1945

Ref AQ 11/2 30 Jan. — 159

Subject. Partisan CORDONA ARMANDO

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(1) The letter received by this Ministry x concerning partisan CORDONA Armando does not bear the address of the writing H.Q. The letter is signed by: Maj. R.E. S. GARDNER O.C. of 552 Army Field Company R.E.

(2) According to information it appears that this man is ~~dated~~ Sgt. CARDONA (x not CORDONA) ARMANDO, at present on duty at 572 Company R.E. (x not 552)

(3) In order to define the military position of CARDONA x examine the possibility of promoting him, as it seems the C/O of 572 Coy R.E. wishes, it is necessary to ascertain the identity of a/m military.

(4) We beg MMIA to ask the C/O of a/m unit to confirm the information he has given, adding all the details he can x ~~reasoning~~ proposals he may think advisable to make. —

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To C.O. 572 Fd Coy R.E. x

See folio 187

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 103170/I Allegati
III.1.5.
Risposta al f. del 30 gennaio u.s.

Roma, 13 FEB 1945

Div. Sez. N. AQ/11/2

OGGETTO: Partigiano CORDONA Armando.-
Partisan D

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Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) — ROMA
e,per conoscenza:
ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE LEVA SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA — SEDE
(seguito 100523/1 del 15 gennaio u.s.)

1.- La lettera pervenuta a questo Ministero circa il partigiano CORDONA Armando non porta intestazione del Comando scrivente. Essa è firmata: Magg.R.E. S. Gardner - Comandante della 552 Army Field Comany R.E.

2.- Da notizie raccolte è risultato che si tratterebbe del sergente maggiore automobilista CARDONA (e non CORDONA) Armando, che presta servizio presso la 572^ company R.E.(e non 552^).

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LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) — ROMA
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3.- Per poter regolarizzare la posizione militare del CARDONA ed esaminare la possibilità della sua promozione, come sembra sia desiderio del comandante la 572^ company R.E., è necessario sia accertata la identità del militare.

4.- Si prega quindi voler invitare il comando del reparto indicato a confermare o meno le notizie suaccennate, aggiungendo tutti i dati possibili, ed a inoltrare le proposte che ritiene opportune.

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject:- Location.

AA/11/2

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm
A.C. (MMIA)
c/c HQ., I District.
Ref LO/GII.

11 February 45.

To:- MMIA LO., Rear 8 Army.

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I. Attached letter from Capt. Newton forwarded from HQ.,MMIA to me. 1372

2. Would you please attend to it as it is not in I District.

Capt.
MMIA LO., I District.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(your AQ/11/2 of 7/2/45). — 169

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Copy to A/Q from "C"

AQ 11/2

SUBJECT: URBANO BARBERINI.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. C/7/1
10 Feb 45.

To : Lt Col COUNT De SALIS
Adv AFHQ Liaison Sect
Via XXII Marzo,
c/o Public Relations.

Con forming our todays telephone conversation, our Liaison Officer is arranging with the Ministry of War for URBANO BARBERINI to be posted to the 8th Army Pool of Interpreters as soon as may be after he has enlisted in the Italian Army.

I cannot say how long this may take as I do not know whether the Italian Army authorities will require BARBERINI to go through any Basic Training or other courses before enlistment, nor, if so, for how long.

I suggest that when he is posted to the Pool of Interpreters he should get into touch with this office again, and we can ask our LO with 8th Army to give him a recommendation.

C.W.D. CHAYTOR. 2613
Captain,
M.M.I.A.

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Col Parker

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (MMIA)

FILE NO: AQ/11/2
SUBJECT: Italian Soldier on Leave.

DATE: 7 Feb 45

TO : MMIA LO HQ 1 District.

Ref att letter from Capt.Newton dated 2 Feb 45.

If the location of POW Camp, PESARO, is known to you, will you please forward Capt.Newton's letter of the 26 Dec. 44.

S.P.Archer Capt.
for D.A. & Q.M.G.
M.M.I.A.

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Subject: Manufacture of Explosives.

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

AQ/11/2
7 Feb 45.

Industry & Commerce Sub Comm. A.C.

Enclosed is copy of a letter from HQ Allied Military Government LAZIO-UMBRIA Region, together with copy of a letter forwarded by them from Dr. Eng. VALENTINO FONDA, for your information and any action you think necessary.

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

DSLG/wk

See folio 162/1

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Subject:- Italian Army -
C.I.s not Medically Fit.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A2/7/1
6 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. It is understood that in Pioneer Units administered by H.Q. 207 and 230 Divisions there are approximately 140 men who are unfit for work, even of a "light duties" nature.

2. These men are therefore ineffective and must be discharged from the Army forthwith.

3. Please advise this H.Q. when this has been done.

J P Archer Capt

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

Copy to:- D.A.D.L. M.M.I.A.
M.M.I.A. L.O. 3 Dist.
your 3DLO/6 of 29 Jan/45 refers. — A2 7/1
M.M.I.A. L.O. 54 Area

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Subject:- Italian Army - O.R.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2
6 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

CRICCO Vittorio.

1. Ref previous correspondence between Transportation Increment C.M.F. and Col. de Bitonto S.M.R.E., in which it was requested that the above named soldier, a first class draughtsman recently called up might be posted to H.Q. Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineer Troops.

2. This H.Q. is of the opinion that such a posting would be in the interest of the Allies, and it is therefore desired that the requested posting be authorised and implemented.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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Copy to:- Transportation Increment
C.M.F.
your TN/A .1/109/6 of 2 Feb refers. 163

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Subject:- Italian Army - O.R. Promotion.

Lm 6 Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME
AQ/11/2

5 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Le Folio 161

8228 Cap Magg Pacifico LIFONTI Aldo.

1. The above named Italian soldier is recommended for promotion to the rank of Aiutante di Battaglia.

2. His Allied Commander has made the following report on Cap Magg Lifonti:-

Character - Absolutely reliable and trustworthy.

Intelligence - Quick to grasp a situation and to react in a manner showing a well balanced mind.

Appearance - A very clear and smartly turned out soldier even under adverse conditions.

Discipline - Of an extremely high standard. All instructions carried out willingly, quickly and efficiently.

26/1 Le Folio 224

3. The following specific actions in which Cap Magg Lifonti proved himself worthy of confidence and advancement are quoted:-

a) On 21 Aug 44 he drove Lt L A Lambe, Field Engineer with this H.Q., on a front line recce. When returning from this recce, Italian civilians pointed out a German dugout posn and indicated that several Germans, fully armed, were occupying the posn. Lt Lambe and Lifonti surrounded the posn and opened fire. Showing complete disregard for his own safety, Lifonti ran around the posn, firing until one German soldier, believing himself surrounded by many men, gave himself up.

Le Folio 214/2

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b) On various occasions during assaults on the HITLER and GOTHIC lines, this NCO drove Field Engineers and the CRE on front line recces. Despite heavy shelling and mortaring, he carried on with courage, determination and coolness. As a result of these recces, valuable Engineer info was gained.

4. Further particulars of Cap Magg Lifonti are as follows:-

Date of Birth	- 12 Feb 1918 - ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT
Date of Inlistment	- 22 Sept 40
Original Italian Unit	- Comando 104 Div Nembo Quartiere General
District of Domicile	- SAN PELLEGRINO TERME (BERGAMO) Hotel Excelsior
Education	- Scuola Coloniale Italiana, ALEXANDRIA - 4 yrs Comboni College, KHARTOUM-SUDAN - 6 yrs
Speaks and writes:	Italian French English
Speaks	Arabic Greek

5. This H.Q. is of the opinion that men of Lifonti's high qualities are worthy of advancement and increased responsibilities. Please, therefore, give this case your urgent consideration and advise this H.Q. of your decision.

for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Lt-Col

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Copy to:- Main H.Q. 8 Army
C.M.F.
your M 62?6? of 31 Jan/45 refers.

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel O.R.s.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AG/11/2

3 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Sold. NESTA Augusto (1907 Class)

Ref your 102825/1 of 31 Jan/45 (Gabinetto).

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1. This H.Q. is of the opinion that the above named soldier should be demobilised on compassionate grounds provided that a replacement is first posted to relieve him.

2. If demobilisation as in para 1 above cannot be arranged speedily, sold. Nesta should be cross posted to a Unit in his home locality.

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

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Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.
Tel: Firebox - 27
Outside line 840119.
TM.A.1/100/6.

2 Feb 45.

Subject: Formation of Italian Units.

To: Land Forces Sub Commission (M.M.I.A.), ✓
H.Q., Allied Commission.

A Sec. 11/2

Copy to: Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineer Troops. (Building).

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1. The Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineer Troops applied to the "Stato Maggiore" for the posting of Greco Vittorio to his H.Q. and has received a reply to the effect that it can only be agreed if a request is made by M.M.I.A.

2. The soldier in question is a recent 'call up' and is understood to be a first class draughtsman.

3. The officer at the "Stato Maggiore" dealing with the case is Col. De Bitonto. Will you please request him to agree to the posting.

(E.I. TRIFFITT).
Lt.Col., R.2604
for Brigadier.
Director of Transportation.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
APO - 394

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R/2815

1 February 1945

SUBJECT: Manufacture of explosives

TO : Army Sub-Commission
Headquarters, Allied Commission

T&P Dr 160 ?

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1. The enclosed correspondence from Dr. Eng. Fonda Valentino, regarding the manufacture of explosives and ammunition, is forwarded for information and whatever action you deem necessary.

For the Regional Commissioner:

MAURICE F. NEUFELD
Captain, QMC
PA to the Regional Commissioner

INCL: 1

Letter from
Valentino Fonda
16 December 1944
Bagni di Tivoli (Rome)

Lee Folio 168
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The undersigned Dr. Eng. F O N D A Valentino would like to be put in contact with technichal Military Authorities of the Allied Forces in Rome, in order to obtain the possibility of giving his own collaboration as Chemical Engineer and specialist in the manufacture of explosives and ammunition.

Since 1927 has been and is at present Tecnichal Director of an ammunition factory in Bagni di Tivoli, owned by the Ltd.Co. " Societá Romana Costruzioni Meccaniche", where 600 workmen were employed in the manufacture of hand- and mortar-grenades and special incendiary antiaircraft shells, and where the filling of shells and bombs with compressed or melted T/N/T was performed.

Now, notwithstanding the removal in 1943, by the germans = (on account of our no-collaboration) of a considerable part of the machinery, there remains nevertheless the possibility of producing incendiary mixtures (thermites) and of filling shells and bombs with compressed or melted T/N/T and its mixtures.

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However in the meantime the undersigned thinks that it is a pity that he and about 50 specialised workers in the factory remain without an actual possibility of collaboration with the Allied Forces wherever it should be wanted. 3602

As the liberation of Italy proceeds northwards it is probable that the destruction of ammunition factories will be

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great. Therefore the reorganisation of activities and installations in liberated Italy becomes more and more important, even if till now it has seemed a thing of little importance.

The undersigned, who was in connection with almost all these factories of central and northern Italy, will be glad to give his co-operation in this respect, eventually putting himself at the orders of the Allied Authorities.

He was Leut.Colonel (Reserve) Artillery -Tecnichal Service.
He speaks and writes French perfectly;
speaks and writes English and german
knows Spanish.

Bagni di Tivoli (Rome)
16 December 1944

Yours' respectfully
dr. ing. Valentino Fonda
(F o n d a Valentino)

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From: M.O.W.
To: M.M.I.A.

AG 11/V 402483/RPGE
31 Jan. 1945

Subject: Italian troops on the island of LISSA.

With ref. to letter 400865 dated Dec. 4th 1944 119 hereunder extract of censored letter concerning the pitiful conditions of Italian troops actually on the island of LISSA:

"... mother, do not think that I am alone here. There are thousands of Italian soldiers Here who have asked to be repatriated & yet they do not allow us to. We are thoroughly helpless. Nobody takes care of us, italian soldiers. Each one of us could write a novel! We are the slaves of everybody. We are soldiers who have endured all that was endurable. There is nothing worse than what we suffered under the German camaille. And yet the morale of the italian soldier has always been first class. —

We beg, therefore, MMIA to ask (for the repatriation of a/m military (see letter AG/11/2 dated Dec. 20th, 44.

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Gen. MANNERIMI

(Serbitz)

See folio 174

BA/ cm

(2) T.P. Brochow Capt

Roma, 31 gennaio 1945 1/2

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

Div. Sez. H02483/RPGR Allegati

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

Ad

In risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO Soldati italiani nell'isola di Lissa.-
Italian Soldiers on the Island of Lissa

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A seguito del foglio 400365 in data 4 dicembre 1944, si trascrice il seguente stralcio di lettera censurata nella quale sono riferite le penose condizioni dei soldati italiani che ancora si trovano nell'isola di Lissa :

"" ..... mamma non credere che sono solo ma ce ne siamo migliaia di soldati italiani che si chiede il rimpatrio della madre Patria, e non ci lasciano per nessun motivo. Non possiamo far niente qui dove noi siamo. Non abbiamo a chi rivolgerci. Non c'é nessuno che si interessa di noi soldati italiani. Siamo noi soldati che ognuno di noi può descrivere un romanzo! Siamo noi schiavi di tutti. Soldati che abbiamo sofferto del tutto. Non esiste al mondo una cosa più brutale che non abbiamo sofferto sotto la canaglia tedesca. E pure il morale del soldato italiano è stato sempre più alto....."

(15/10/1944).

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A seguito del foglio 400365 in data 4 dicembre I944, si trascrice il seguente stralcio di lettera censurata nella quale sono riferite le penose condizioni dei soldati italiani che ancora si trovano nell'isola di Lissa :

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Si prega pertanto codesta Commissione volersi compiacere di ~~pubblicare~~ il rimpatrio dei suddetti militari, già considerato col foglio A.Q./11/2 in data 20 Dicembre I944.-

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

A. Mannerini

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SUBJECT:- Commissions

Main HQ Eighth Army, CMF,
Tele Ext: 74
M 6226 A,
31 Jan. 45.

AQ 11/2
31/1

Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA) HQ AC

Copy to:- AFHQ G-1(B)
HQ 15 Army Gp A(O)

5-8 int/secret

8228 Cap Magg Parao Aldo LIPONTI

Reference your AQ/11/2 dated 18 Oct 44 and further to Hq 15 Army Gp letter 3149/11/A(O) dated 6 Jan 45. — 14-6

Herewith original recommendation signed by CRE 5 Cdn Armd Div for the above mentioned soldier as requested.

Please acknowledge.

for Brigadier,
D.A.&.Q.M.G.
EIGHTH ARMY.

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See folio 165

5 ADE 6-0

17 Jan 45

AA&QMG
5 Cdn Armd Div

RECOMMENDATION FOR 'AIUTANTE DI BATTAGLIA"
8228 Cap Magg Parac Aldo LIFONTI

1 Ref your 6-6/AQ dated 2 Nov 44 and Main HQ Eighth Army M 6226A dated 29 Oct 44.

2 It is considered for the reasons contained in our 5 ADE 6-0 dated the 15 Sep 44 that Lifonti definitely merits promotion to the special rank mentioned, i.e., "aiutante di battaglia". The following are specific actions in which Lifonti has proven himself worthy of distinction:

(a) On 21 Aug 44 he drove Lt L A Lambe, Field Engineer with this HQ, on a front line recce. When returning from this recce, Italian civilians pointed out a German dugout posn and indicated that several Germans, fully armed, were occupying the posn. Lt Lambe and Lifonti surrounded the posn and opened fire. Showing complete disregard for his own safety, Lifonti ran around the posn, firing until one German soldier, believing himself surrounded by many men, gave himself up.

(b) On various occasions during assaults on the HITLER and GOTHIC lines, this NCO drove Field Engineers and the CRE on front line recces. Despite heavy shelling and mortaring, he carried on with courage, determination and coolness. As a result of these recces, valuable Engineer infm was gained.

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3 Herewith particulars of Lifonti:

Date of Birth	- 12 Feb 1918 - ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT
Date of Enlistment	- 22 Sep 40
Original Italian Unit	- Comando 104 Div Nembo Quartiere Generale
District of Domicile	- SAN PELLEGRINO TERME (BERGAMO) Hotel Excelsior
Education	- Scuola Coloniale Italiana, ALEXANDRIA - 4 yrs. Camboni College, KHARTOUM-SUDAN - 6 yrs.
Speaks and writes:	Italian, French, English
Speaks	Arabic, Greek

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J. D. Christian Lt Col.
(J D CHRISTIAN) Lt Col
CRE 5 Cdn Armd Div

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Translation

FROM: War Ministry
TO: M.M.I.A.

REF: 102825/1.
DATE: 31 JAN. 1946.

Subject: Pte. NESTA Augusto - 1907 Class. AQ 11/2

Pte. NESTA Augusto, former prisoner of war, now serving with 208 P.O.W Camp, American Army - Acerra (Naples).

Considering that the above is of the 1907 Class, already discharged, and that his family has great need of his assistance in view of their critical economic position, we beg of M.M.I.A. to be so kind as to examine the possibility of NESTA being replaced in his present employment by another soldier who would be posted for this purpose, or at least ~~may~~ may be transfered to the Rome area.

Sgd. ASULARY.

Roma.

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto T.S.Attività Civ.

Prot. N° 1028571 Allegati

Risposta al f° del

Roma, 31 GEN 1945 21/1

Div. Se. N°

OGGETTO: Soldato NESTA Augusto - cl.1907.-

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

R O M A

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Il soldato NESTA Augusto, già prigioniero di guerra, presta attualmente servizio al 208° Reparto P.O.W. Campo Esercito Americano - Acerra (Napoli).-

Nella considerazione che egli appartiene a classe(1907) già congedata e la sua famiglia ha assoluto bisogno

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

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Nella considerazione che egli appartiene a classe(1907) già congedata e la sua famiglia ha assoluto bisogno della di lui assistenza, date le critiche condizioni economiche in cui versa, si prega codesta M.M.I.A. di voler compiacersi esaminare la possibilità che il NESTA venga sostituito nell'attuale impiego da altro militare che verrebbe all'uopo comandato, o quanto meno ne sia disposto l'avvicinamento a Roma.=

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject:- Italian Military
Personnel - C.R.s.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

MINISTRY OF WAR.

30 Jan 45.

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Ref your letter 100523/11:1:5/I of 15 Jan/45 (Gabinetto)

1. The letter addressed to O.C. 552 Army Field Coy R.E. C.M.F. by this H.Q., passing on the information contained in your above quoted letter has been returned by the British Army Post office, as they have no record of the location.

2. Will you please confirm that the address given in para (1) above is correct, and if so forward any further information you may have in respect of the British Unit concerned.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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C O P Y

T R A N S L A T I O N

FROM:- MINISTRY OF WAR. Ref 102242/1

TO :- MMIA Date 25 Jan/45

Subject:- Italian soldiers enlisted by Yougoslavs.

Further to my letter 304798/C.A. dated 18 Nov/44. I beg to forward the following informations obtained from an Italian sailor who escaped by the end of October last, from the Yougoslav Camp of Gravina, Puglia.

The sailor, who was captured by the Allies in Sicily and sent to Algeria, stated that in a P.O.W. Camp in Algeria, there was a Lieut of the Tito Army who had the duties of enlisting Italiens of Venezia Giulia to whom he assured that:-

The Eastern Frontiers of Italy would be those of 1914 and that the Giulians who remained faithful to Italy, would have to answer of such acts to the Yougoslav Authorities.

Whoever would enlist, would be immediately released from the POW Camp and sent to Italy.

Thus, abusing the good faith of the PWs, the Yougoslav officer succeeded in enlisting a number of Italians including the sailor in question.

These, together with 54 others, left in July 44 bound for Naples whence by were sent to the Yougoslav Camp of Gravina at Puglia.

The camp, which was formed last October with approximately 2000 Italians ex-PWs and deserters, comprised 2 division, 2 batteries (Art), 1 M.T. section, 1 Driving school 1 parachute unit and 1 Engr H.Q.

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During the months of Aug and Sept about one hundred Italian deserters, 15 of whom belonged to the Italian Navy, arrived in the camp.

The personnel trained in the camp were sent to Yougoslavia to be incorporated in the operating units.

Your attention is directed to Gravina Camp where we might find a large number of Italian deserters.

This camp undoubtedly represents one of the main proofs of Yougoslave activies which have been going on in Italy for over a year undisturbed. These activies, which are a burden to the efficiency of the Italian Army, are neither

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allowed by the international law nor by the terms of the Armistice.

I beg you to inform Superior Allied Authorities on the above and support the wish of this Ministry which is to see as soon as possible an end to such intollerable activity.

(Sgd) CASATI

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Translation

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From:- M of N.
To:- MMIA.

Ref.- 102242/1.
Date:- 25th Jan. 45.

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- the Oriental Frontiers of Italy would be those of 1914 and that the Giuliani who remained faithful to Italy, would have to answer of such act to the Yugoslav Authorities.
- whoever would enlist, would be immediately released from the POW camp and sent to Italy.

Astonishing in such way the confidence of the POWs, the Yugoslav officer succeeded in enlisting a number of Italians including the sailor in question.

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(Sgd) CASATI.

Sir. FARAC

VE/cm

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 102242/I Allegati

Roma, 25 GEN 1945

Risposta al f.° del

Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO: arruolamento di militari italiani da parte jugoslava.-

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

A seguito mio foglio 304798/CA del 18 novembre 1944, segnalo a cotesta sottocommissione le seguenti notizie fornite da un marinaio italiano della Venezia Giulia, evaso alla fine dello scorso ottobre dal Campo jugoslavo di Gravina di Puglia.

Il marinaio, fatto prigioniero dagli Alleati in Sicilia e inviato in Algeria, dichiara che in un campo di prigionieri di Algeri svolgeva liberamente la sua attività un tenente dell'esercito di Tito che aveva l'incarico di arruolare militari italiani della Venezia Giulia a cui assicurava:

- che i confini orientali dell'Italia sarebbero stati quelli del 1914 e che i giuliani rimasti fedeli all'Italia avrebbero dovuto dar conto di ciò alle autorità slave;
- che chi si arruolava sarebbe stato subito liberato dalla pri=

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- che chi si arruolava sarebbe stato subito liberato dalla prigionia e condotto in Italia.

Sorprendendo in tal modo la buona fede dei prigionieri, l'ufficiale jugoslavo riuscì ad arruolare numerosi militari italiani fra i quali il marinaio di cui trattasi.

Questi, nel luglio 1944, partì con altri 54 compagni alla volta di Napoli da dove raggiunse il campo jugoslavo di Gravina di Puglia.

Questo campo, formato nello scorso ottobre da circa 2000 italiani fra ex prigionieri e disertori, era ordinato su due divisioni, due batterie, un autoreparto, un'autoscuola, un reparto paracadutisti e un comando genio.

Nei mesi di agosto e settembre vi affluirono un centinaio di disertori italiani di cui 15 della R. Marina.

Il personale addestrato nel campo viene a mano a mano inviato in Jugoslavia per essere incorporato sulle forze operanti.

Attiro l'attenzione di cotesta Sottocommissione sul campo di

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Gravina, dove si potrebbe rintracciare gran parte dei militari italiani disertori.

Tale campo rappresenta indubbiamente una delle principali prove dell'attività che da più di un anno svolgono indisturbate in Italia organizzazioni jugoslave, attività che nuoce alla efficenza dell'esercito italiano e che non è consentita nè dalle norme di diritto internazionale, nè dalle clausole dell'armistizio.

Prego cotesta Sottocommissione di voler portare quanto sopra a conoscenza delle Superiori Autorità Alleate e di volersi fare interprete del vivo e legittimo desiderio di questo Ministero di vedere al più presto cessare una intollerabile attività.

IL MINISTRO

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel - Enlistment.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

22 Jan 45.

O.C. 552 Army Field Coy R.E.
C.M.F.

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Ref your A/15 of 27 Nov/44 addressed to Ministry of War.

1. There is no reason why the Patriot CORDOVA Armando should not, after suitable screening from the political point of view, be enrolled into the Italian Army, which is in need of many re-inforcements.

2. Will you please contact the M.M.I.A. Liaison Officer who will be found at District or Rear Army H.Q., and who will advise you of the correct procedure to be adopted, and the nearest centre to your location, where Cordova can be enlisted.

S P Archer Capt.

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

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SUBJECT:- Italian Army Personnel - ISCHIA & CAPRI

AQ 11/2

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(SICILY)
G/3

18 Jan 45

MINISTRY OF WAR

Copy to:- 574 Coast Regt R.A.
PORTICI for SICILY HQ

1. Following the disbandment of Italian Coastal Defence units on ISCHIA and CAPRI a provisional arrangement has been made whereby a small number of personnel of the Artillery Directorate NAPLES should remain on these islands, in agreement with 574 Coast Regt R.A., to look after ammunition and guns. This has been conceded in view of your report that if it were not done war materials, including explosives and hand grenades, would have been left unguarded and liable to theft by the civilian population.

2. It has, however, been decided, owing to difficulties of maintennnce, that no Italian military personnel are to be left on these islands. You are therefore requested to take one or other of the following arrangements:-

(a) To withdraw the military personnel and leave civilian guards where necessary.

(b) To dispose of any dangerous material leaving the rest either ungurded, or, when practicable, in the care of Allied units in Sicily (our G/3 of 15 Dec para 4 refers).

3. The above will be carried out by 25 Jan, after which no authority will be given for the issue of rations to military personnel on these islands. Please report action taken.

J.M.G. Lt-Col

Major General
A.A.G.

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AQ 11/2

Subject: Italian Army - Sardinia

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
SU/14/2
1 January 1945

To : AFHQ for G-3 (Org)

Copy to: MMLA L/O, Sardinia

1. Three officers and 54 men of the Italian Army were detailed by General Webster, former Allied Garrison Commander, Sardinia, to recover Allied wire when the Air Corps evacuated Sardinia. At that time, this personnel was carried as a part of the 205 Division. On the transfer of the 205 Division to the mainland, this personnel remained in Sardinia on this work.

2. The time necessary to complete this work is not known exactly. It is therefore proposed to leave the personnel on this job until the work is completed, at which time the personnel can be transferred to the mainland. This will result in a temporary increase in the garrison, and the personnel can be carried in the ITI-ITI Category (Reinforcements) for the time being, as a temporary unit.

3. Request approval.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMLA)

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Subject:- 231 It I...r to 11 Fd Bky

HQ 1 D ...rict CRE
Tel : Auto 6217

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16 Jan 45

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Land Forces Sub Commission AC
(MMIA)
ROME

Reference your AQ/11/2 dated 13 Jan 45.

1. It is understood that HQ 209 Div have already removed the unsatisfactory personnel from the above unit.

2. A list of deficiencies now existing in this unit has been passed to DST AFHQ as part of a Progress Report, and a copy is enclosed for information.

A Macdonald Lt Col
for Colonel,
Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

In the Field.

Copy to:- DST AFHQ (ref this HQ letter of even number dated 16 Jan 45) (copy of above quoted MMIA letter is enclosed for information)

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APPENDIX "B"

231 ITALIAN INCREMENT TO 11 FIELD BAKERY RASC

LIST OF DEFICIENCIES

	WE	ACTUAL STRENGTH	DEFICIENT
OFFICERS			
CO	1	1	-
QM	1	1	-
BAKERS			
SSM	1	-	1
SQMS	2	-	2
S/Sjt	2	-	2
Sjts	8	3	5
Cpls	9	3	6
L/Cpls	8	9	25
Ptes	64	38	
CLERKS			
S/Sjt	1	1	-
Ptes	1	-	1
S/STOREMEN			
L/Cpls	1	1	-
Ptes	8	-	8
COOKS			
Cpls	1	1	-

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SQMS	2	-	2
S/Sjt	2	-	2
Sjts	8	3	5
Cpls	9	3	6
L/Cpls	8	9	25 (16)
Ptes	64	38	
CLERKS			
S/Sjt	1	1	-
Ptes	1	-	1
S/STOREMEN			
L/Cpls	1	1	-
Ptes	8	-	8
COOKS			2583
Cpls	1	1	-
Ptes	3	3	-
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Dvr	1	1	-
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Ptes	2	-	2

NOTE: It is understood that 16 Pte Bakers have been instructed by MMIA to report to 231 Italian Increment ex NAPLES.

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Subject: Italian Personnel - Sardinia AG 11/2

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (AMZA)
Rome
SE/48
10 January 1945

To : 1 AMZA LG, Sardinia

Copy to: AFHQ for G-5 (Org)
G4, AACOM for G-1 (Sr)
Regional Commissioner, Sardinia

1. The total personnel authorized for assignment to Allied Commission, Sardinia is 1 officer and 25 men (AFHQ letter AG 091.711/135 GAS-O of 15 Oct 44 and ACC letter G-1B/036/6/1 of 28 Sep 44 refers).

2. All other Italian Army personnel now on duty with the Allied Commission in Sardinia will therefore be withdrawn and shipped to the mainland in accordance with current instructions.

3. Report when this has been accomplished.

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CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
For Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (AMZA)

CPK/lak

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Translation.

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From :- HQ of N.
To :- MMIB.

AQ/11/20. Ref :- 10 523/1.
Date :- 15th Jan. 45.

Subject :- Patriot CORDONA ARMANDO.

C.O. of 552 Army Field Coy RE., has posted out a letter addressed to this office as per copy attached, the advisability of enrolling Patriot CORDONA ARMANDO into the Italian Army.

Please inform the a/a C.O. that instructions have been issued in order that CORDONA may be enlisted in the Italian Army once his political behavior and data in respect of his class, paternity and district, which are not shown in the request, have been checked upon.

for MMIA
Lt Colonel
OC 552 Army Field Coy RE
Vice the Chief of Staff MMIA HQ

(Sgd) Chief of Cabinet.

Lt. CARRE.

Phil. Dept. OC, 552 Army Field Coy RE, APO 512 c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

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Translation.

From:- HQ 552 Army Field Coy. R.E. No:- 8/15
To:- Dir of N. Date:- 27th Nov. 44.

Subject:- Patrol CORDONA ARMANDO - attached to this Unit.

The afn Patrol has been attached to this unit for liaison? duties since 27th July 44.

He has always carried out his duties with good will and ability especially patrol duties with this Coy. as well as with other units.

He proved to be a classed soldier and the praise made by units which employed him for patrol and recce. duties, cannot but increase the admiration made to him for his excellent co-operation and knowledge.

I am sure that he possess the necessary qualities to allow his admission in the Italian Army.

(Sgd) S. GARDNER Maj. RE.
Comdt. 552 Army Field Coy. RE.

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Ministero della Guerra
GABINETTO

OA/od

Roma: 15 GEN 1945 anno

AL ALLIED FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C.(M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

Divisione Prot. N.° 100523/I Sez. Allegati
III-1-5

Risposta al f.° del Div. Sez. N.°

OGGETTO: Partigiano CORDONA Armando.
Patrio t. 71

Il Comandante delle 552^ Army Field Company R.E., nella lettera che si acclude in copia, ha rappresentato a questo Ministero l'opportunità che il partigiano CORDONA Armando, venga arruolato nel R.Esercito.

Si prega voler comunicare a detto Comandante che sono state date disposizioni perchè il CORDONA, previ accertamenti sui precedenti politici e sui dati relativi alla classe, paternità e distretto, non indicati nella richiesta, sia arruolato nel R. Esercito.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

25 GIU

COPIA A/15 - 27 novembre 1944

OGGETTO: Partigiano aggregato a questo Reparto

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA ROMA

CORDUNA Armando

Il sopranotato partigiano è stato aggregato a questo Reparto per servizi di collegamento dal 27 luglio 1944.

Egli ha sempre espletato i suoi compiti specifici con zelo ed abilità specialmente nei servizi di pattuglia tanto con questa Compagnia, quanto con altri Reparti.

Egli ha dato prova di essere un soldato di classe e gli elogi che sono stati fatti a questo Reparto per i segnalati servizi di ricognizione e di pattuglia possono essere attribuiti in non piccola parte al predetto partigiano per la sua eccellente cooperazione e per la sua competenza.

Ritengo che egli possiede le qualità necessarie per garantire la sua assunzione nelle Forze Armate Italiane.

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Ritengo che egli possiede le qualità necessarie per garantire la sua assunzione nelle Forze Armate Italiane.

f.to Magg. R.E. S. GARDNER
Comandante della 552 Army Field Company R.E.

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P.C.C.
IL CAPO DELL'UFFICIO I
(Ten.Col. L. PICOZZI)

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SUBJECT : Italian Military Personnel.

AQ 11/2

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/20
15 Jan 45.

To : MMIA LO NAPLES.

copy to : HQ 1 District.
MMIA LO HQ 1 District.

Ref MMIA
AQ/11/2 of 13 Jan.

Ref conversation THRUPP - MAXWELL.

1. Please arrange to send 16 bakers ex DID Increments now in AFRAGOLA camp to 231 Incr to 11 F'd Bakery ANCONA, and notify MTA to the unit, copy to this HQ.

for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: "A"
SD/20
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Subject Attached Personnel.

AQ/11/2

Liaison Office.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(MMIA)
LO/7/1/AQ
13 Jan 45.

H.Q. 230 Division.

1. Both from reports received in this office, and from clothing indents submitted by HQ 230 Div, it is clear that a number of personnel, and in some instances small units have been attached without authority, to units under comd 230 Div. In the case of 501 Guard Bn, a complete company has been attached, which hampers the administration and work of that Bn.

2 HQ 230 Div will please forward to this office a complete list, showing the numbers of all such attached units and personnel, giving their present designations in the case of units, and original units in the case of individuals.

J.G.BIRD Major
Senior MMIA LO
c/o HQ 54 Area.

Copies to: HQ MMIA, ROME
Territorial HQ, BARI

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A2/11/2

13 Jan 45.

H.Q. 1 Dist
C.M.P.

all to 145/1

Ref your ST/285/2 of 30 Dec/44
(addressed to C.M.Q. 2nd Echelon)

1. The above quoted letter has been forwarded to this H.Q. by C.M.Q. 2nd Echelon.

2. Action is being taken by this H.Q. to provide replacements for the unsatisfactory bakers at present on the strength of 431 Italian Increment to 11 Field Bakery as shown on list attached to your above quoted letter. 2575

3. Personnel who become surplus to W/E as a result of these postings should be disposed of by arrangements made through H.Q. 209 Italian Div. H.Q.

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

Copy to:- "G" M.M.I.A.
M.M.I.A. L.O. H.Q. 1 Dist.

SPA/nb

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel, O.R.'s.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A)
R O M E
AQ/11/Z
8 Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Fant. USUBELLI Angelo. 145

Ref your 300186/2/C.A. dated 5 Jan/45.

Herewith a copy of the letter CE/3867/G1 (Br) dated 16 Dec/44 of A.F.H.Q, as requested in your above quoted letter.

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

SPA/ab

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SUBJECT:- Comm' ions - ITALIAN Personnel.

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP,
Tel:- FOXGLOVE 224,
3149/11/A(O),
6 Jan 45.

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Main HQ EIGHTH Army.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA) HQ AC.
(ref your AQ/11/2 of 18 Oct 44).

58 int packet AQ 11/2

Reference your M 6226 A of 2 Jan 45.

1. The attached copy recommendation for promotion of 8228 Cap Magg Parac Aldo LIFONTI is returned.

2. Please forward the original recommendation direct to MMIA quoting their above-mentioned letter.

CK awaiting recommendation from 8 Army DA 13/1

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for Brigadier,
DA & QMG.

JSS/CB.

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SUBJECT:- Commissions - ITALIAN Personnel.

HQ ARMY GROUP,
Tel:- FOXLOVE 224,
3149/11/A(C).
6 Jan 45.

Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA).
HQ AC.

58 1st Jacket AQ 11/2

Reference your AG/11/2 of 2 and 18 Oct 44.

1. The recommendation for promotion of LIPONTI will be forwarded direct to you by HQ EIGHTH Army.

2. The information required by the ITALIAN Ministry of War is as follows:-

See 147 - Attachment

Date of birth	-	12 Feb 1918.
Place of birth	-	ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT.
Date of Enlistment	-	22 Sep 40.
Original Italian Unit	-	Comando 184 Div NEMBO Quartiere Generale.
Distict of Domicile	-	San Pellegrino Terme (BERGAMO) Hotel Excelsior.

J S Stewart Capt
for Brigadier,
DA & QMG.

JSS/CB.

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MEMO

From: CENTRAL SERVICE DESK
P. W. B. NAPLES AFHQ AQ 11/2

SUBJECT: Attached letter ref. Fante PRINCIPE Leonardo
Ref. AQ/11/2.

TO: Lt.Col. F.J. Nocken,
Military Mission Italian Army, Rome.

This letter was sent to us from PWB FTHQ. We have made enquiries from the military and other sections of this Hq., as well as at DFC., AFHQ; but have been unable to trace anyone who has knowledge of this Italian soldier.

We are therefore returning the letter to you.

DATE: 5.1.45

See folio 50 not folio 25?

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MEMO

From: CENTRAL SERVICE DESK
P. W. B. NAPLES AFHQ

SUBJECT: Attached correspondence.

TO: Central Service Desk, Rome.

We propose to send the attached memo. to M.L.I.A. and to return the correspondence. It has been suggested that this Italian soldier might be with the 8th Army. As the letter apparently came via PWB Rome this may have already been checked. If so, will you please forward our reply to M.L.I.A.; if not, perhaps you would be good enough to forward it to whoever is in a position to check 8th Army personnel.

Just now

DATE: 5.1.45

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Subject: Leave - Italian Military Personnel

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/11/2
October 1944

To : H.Q. P.W.B.

Fante PRINCIPE Leonardo

1. This HQ has been informed that your request for the a/m Italian Soldier to be granted 30 days renewable leave, has been approved.

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

SPA /wk

Copy to Ministry of War
(your prot 345/41SP of 3 July refers)

mm en. te
al P.W.B. (Via Veneto 62)

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30 December 1944

Central Service Desk
PWB -- AFHQ

Attached paper does not concern INC Section, AFHQ.

I can only suggest Col Lumley or PWB Unit No 12.

George B. Keyzers

GEORGE B. KEYZERS
1st. Lt., Inf.
Liaison Officer
PWB -- AFHQ.

Col Lumley
Unit 12
Rec'd

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P.W.B.
Psychological Warfare Branch
(Section AFHQ)

Unit No 8 - APO 512.

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Ministero della Cultura Popolare

A. Chiesa Tivoli - 1942-XX - ord. 56 - 16.2x11.4 - 400.000

CENTRAL SERVICE DESK,
PWB., AFHQ.

P.W.B.

Information News Censorship Section
A.F.H.Q.

Unit N8

A.P.O. 512

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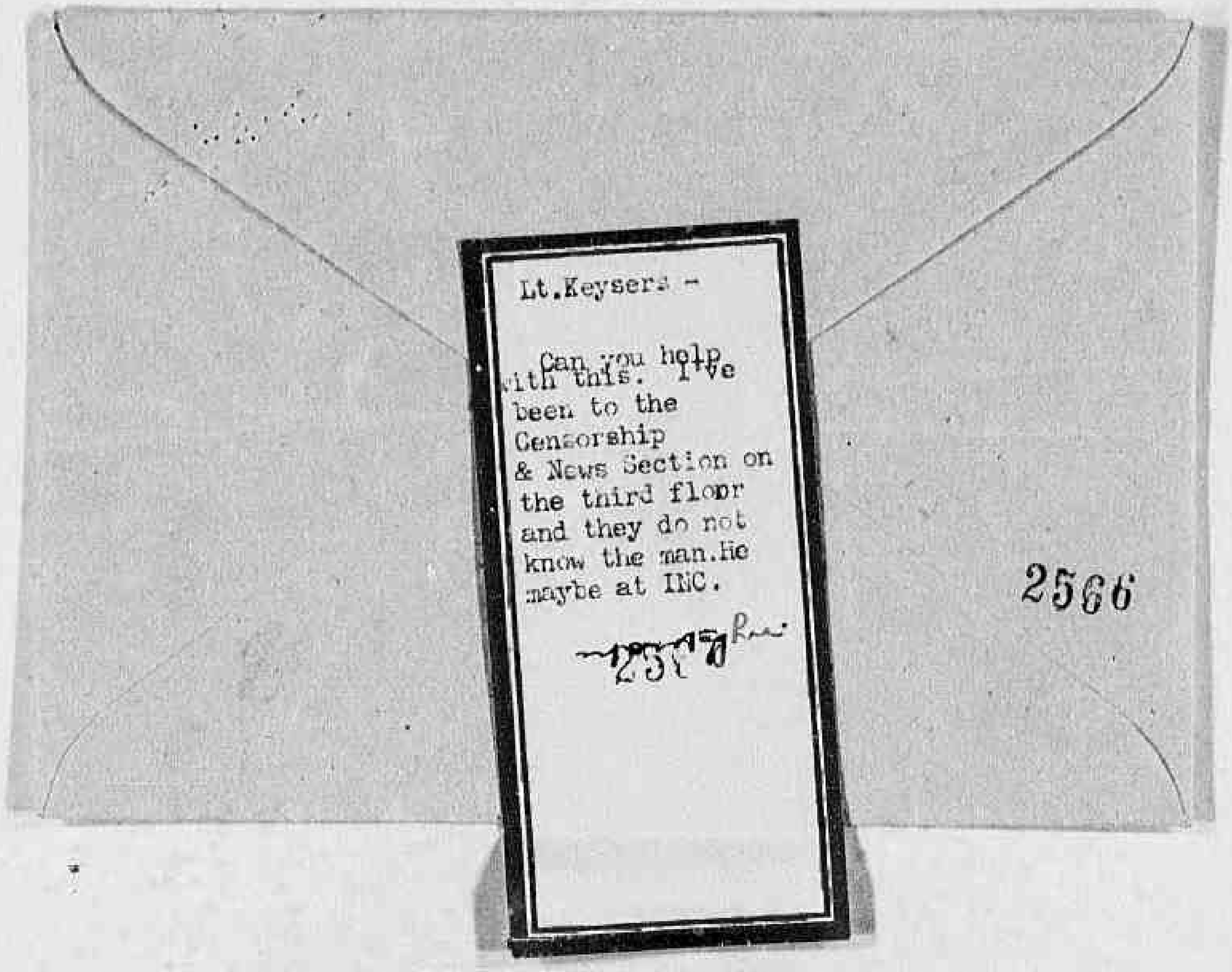

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COPY

SECRET

SUBJECT: Employment of CC RR with Military Formations

-24112

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
SD/28
5 Jan 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Copy to: PUBLIC SAFETY SUB-COM. A.C.

1. You are hereby authorised to employ C.C.R.R. on Military Duty to a total strength of 1865 all ranks as shown in Part 7 page 37 of your bi-monthly strength state dated 9 December 1944.

2. The distribution of these C.C.R.R. to units will remain as shown in Part 7, page 37 of the above mentioned strength state.

(Sgd) S.M.I., Lt. Col. 2583
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Internal Distribution:
SD/15
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AQ

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A.P.S.

Tel.No. Valjean 122

O2E/57668/MP(IT)

5 Jan 45

MP(IT)

and Forces Commission,
Allied Commission (AMMIA)

Italian Army Personnel.

The attached letter reference ST/286/2 dated 30 Dec 44 from H.Q. 1 District is forwarded for your attention as Unit concerned is operating on a WE for Italian Army Personnel

Lovegrove Capt.
for Brigadier,
D.A.G.
G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

C.M.F.

Copy to: H.Q. No. 1 District, C.M.F.

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See Folio 149

Subject:- 231 Italian Increment
to 11 Field Bakery

Hq 1 District CMP
Tel Ext 19

ST/286/2
30 Dec 44

DAG GHQ 2nd Echelon CMP
(Manpower - Italian Sec)

MM/A

1.(a) Of the personnel of 231 Italian Increment at present remaining with 11 Field Bakery, there is a total of 51 ORs of whom 30 are bakers, Of these 30 bakers, 16 are of no use to this unit as they are too slow and are poor workmen.

(b) There is a high rate of wastage due to sickness and absence. Out of a total of 30 bakers on section work, as many as 12 men have been absent for one reason or another on one day. The remaining personnel have had to do the work of those men absent. As a result the few good Italian Military and British personnel have had to work extra hard to complete the work requiring to be done.

(c) Owing to there being so few good workmen, British personnel have had to be used in supervisory work and on the key jobs.

(d) All these facts cause British personnel to betransferred from their sections to the Italian section, and this leaves the British sections greatly depleted.

(e) It is not considered possible to carry on the present production for the above reasons.

2. It is requested that urgent consideration may please be given to replacement by more suitable personnel of the unsatisfactory personnel listed on the attached nominal roll. All the other Italian personnel are satisfactory and no complaints can be made against their work.

3. It has not been found possible to effect any replacements from within 209 Div.

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4. For information, all the personnel as per the attached list were previously in 314 Italian Field Bakery.

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ARMY
Regd. No.
To
Date

1 JAN 1944

Arranging replacements 1 Adv HQ 1 A in/d 1 L of C JPA 12/1

Colonel,
Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

In the Field.

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NOMINAL ROLL OF UNSATISFACTORY ITALIAN PERSONNEL

231 Italian Increment to 11 Fd Bakery

RANK	NAME
L/Cpl	NORIS Benedetto
"	CICOLINI Carmine
"	ARENA Luigi
Pte	SCIASCIA Umberto
"	BIANCHI Guiseppe
"	D'ORE Guiseppe
"	De MARIHIS Fiora-vente
"	FIORE Casimoro
"	REALE Luigi
"	NAZZA Pasquale
"	Di LUCA Gabriele
"	PLACIDI Pietro
"	TACORAZZI Giovanni
"	FIGHERA Guiseppe
"	RINALDI Felice
"	Di MARTINO Giovanni

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RF 0 Fld AQ/11/2 AA 0 145

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

VE/mlg

Gabinetto

Prot. N. 70186/2/C. Allegati

Roma, 5 gennaio 1945

Risposta al f. del

Div. Sz. N.

OGGETTO: Soldato USUBELLI Angelo -
Soldier 71

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
(riferimento AQ/11/2 del 22/12) 137 ROMA

AQ
51.

Si prega di voler cortesemente inviare copia della lettera CR/3867/G 1 (Br) del 16 dicembre 1944 dell'A.F.H.Q.

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Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
(riferimento AQ/11/2 del 22/12) — 137 ROMA

AQ 51.

Si prega di voler cortesemente inviare copia della lettera CR/3867/G 1 (Br) del 16 dicembre 1944 dell'A.F.H.Q.

Copy of CR/3867/G1 (Br)
16 Dec to M of W.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO 2551

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STATO CITTÀ DEL VATICANO - OFFICINA POLIGRAFICA DELLO STATO

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: CALABRIA Division

11/2

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
SD/25
3 Jan 45

TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA

1. The CALABRIA Division in SARDINIA must remain 800 understrength because of the one Bn which was shipped to the Mainland. Therefore, the strength of the CALABRIA Division on SARDINIA may not exceed 4,200.

(Sgd) R. E. P.

for Major General
M. M. I. A.

Copy:
Min of War

AQ.

SD 141

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel, C.R's.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

3 Jan 45.

MILITARY OF ICE.

Ref. GIUSTELLI Angelo.

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Further to AQ/11/2 of 21 Dec/44.

1. A second application from the above named Italian soldier, is forwarded for information.

2. It is requested that urgent measures will be taken to regularise the position of this soldier. 259

3. Please inform this H.Q. of the action taken in this matter.

S.P. Archer Capt.

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

Copy to:- A.F.H.Q.
your C.R./3857/G1 (Ex)
of Jan 1 refers.

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Subject: Italian Sold. USUBELLI, A.
45 Inf. Regt. (Badoglio Army).

AB 11 1/2.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CR/3867/G1(Br).

1 Jan 45.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
(for Land Force Sub Commission, M.M.I.A.)

1. Further to this Headquarters Memorandum numbered as above dated 16 Dec. ——— 13/11 + 137.

2. Attached herewith a second application received by O.C., 211 PW Camp from the above-mentioned Italian Soldier.

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O. GRANT, J. Comd.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

OG/HW.
Encl.

Original sent to WA Rustum
Acta 40 Fo 137.
AFHQ sent copy
CMA
3/1

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T R A N S L A T I O N.

9.11.44.

Sir,

I, the undersigned Pte. USUPELLI Angelo, was attached to the 45th. Regt. Infantry in Sardinia in the capacity of a professional soldier.

Transferred to Sicily in Dec.+1944 I served with the Allies.

(+ the applicant means 1943 of course)

On 3rd. March 1944 an incident happened when I was on Guard duty looking after English material. On 6th. March 1944 I was admitted to the English hospital at Catania and posted to English hodpital in Africa three days later.

On my recovery I was sent to 211 P.O.W. Camp for disposal but I stayed there until September 1944.

On 15/9/44 , an order arrived all of a sudden for my transferto the Italian Headquarters at Naples.

I am without documents and have no identity card attaching to my army service. During the months I have passed in Italy, I have not received any pay.

I beg to apply for a document certifying my past army service.

Youre Respectfully,

Signed:- USUPELLI Angelo.

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel O.R.s.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

30 Dec 44.

O.C. No 1 Field Remount Depot
F.A.V.C.
C.M.F.

140/1

Ref. your FRD 11/1 of 27 Dec/44.

1. It is noted that the Italian Increment to the Unit under your Command will require 49 O.R.s. to replace those due for demobilisation.

2. Application has been made for these rfts to be authorised.

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3. The current regulations which govern leave for Italian soldiers laye down a maximum period of 14 days leave (exclusive of travelling) on compassionate grounds. This leave can only be authorised by an Italian Officer of the rank of Colonel or above, and only then with the concurrence of the Allied Commander.

4. The soldiers mentioned in para 3 of your above quoted letter, will not therefore be granted 3 months Compassionate leave.

5. It is requested that this H.Q. be informed of the authority on which 3 months leave was requested.

S P Archer Capt.

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

Copy to:- "G"
M.M.I.A. ref. para 2.

SP./nb

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(141)

Subject:- Italian Civilians -
Volunteer for Service.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
E O M T.
AQ/11/2

29 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

The attached copy letter and nominal roll showing names of Italian Civilians in Somalia who have volunteered for service against the common enemy are forwarded to you for information.

S P Archer Capt 2553

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

Copy to:- A.F.H.Q. for G-5
your G-5 2304 of 23 Dec. refers. — 139/1

SPA/eb

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Subject ;- ITALIAN PERSONNEL

No 1 Field Remount Depot.
FRD 11/1

27th December 1944.

To ;- M. I. A.
AC
C.M.F.

1. Herewith list of 49 Italian Soldiers belonging to the Increment attached to this Unit, who are desirous of claiming their discharge.

2. May replacements be provided for these men so that it is possible for them to be released.

3. Also attached is a list of 6 Italian Soldiers who have procured documents stating they are urgently required at home and requesting three months leave.

4. May I be informed what is the procedure with reguard to this type of temporary release whether replacements are available for them also.

Major, R.A.V.C.
Commanding, No 1 Field Remount Depot, R.A.V.C.

HK/RVR

See folio 142

021° REPARTO COMPLEMENTO
PER 1° DEPOSITO RIMONTA

SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN BORN THE YEAR 1913 AND YEARS PRECEDINGS:

Serg.Magg.	Rota	Ferdinando	cl. 1909	D.M.	Cremona
Cap.Magg.	Bruzzone	Lorenzo	" 1910	"	Genova
"	Mantegazza	Emilio	" 1911	"	Monza
"	Marian	Alberto	" 1913	"	Trieste
"	Muzioli	Canzio	" 1907	"	Varese
"	Ronchi	Ottavio	" 1906	"	Monza
Caporale	Fredducci	Mario	" 1907	"	Firenze
"	Lovagnini	Riziero	" 1912	"	Lodi
Soldato	Bocchio	Angelo	" 1913	"	Brescia
"	Bombana	Cesare	" 1913	"	"
"	Baga	Pietro	" 1913	"	Varese
"	Bonali	Ferdinando	" 1907	"	Genova
"	Coletto	Alessandro	" 1907	"	Torino
"	Collini	Gastone	" 1908	"	Firenze
"	Cavagnini	Gastare	" 1908	"	Vercelli
"	Colonnati	Luigi	" 1909	"	Cremona
"	Cavallari	Luigi	" 1913	"	Ferrara
"	Contini	Antonio	" 1910	"	Varese
"	Corti	Pietro	" 1911	"	Brescia
"	Colet	Tomaso	" 1911	"	Treviso
"	De Lorenzi	Girolamo	" 1909	"	Cremona
"	Fascina	Mario	" 1909	"	Padova
"	Gemelli	Giovanni	" 1907	"	Arezzo
"	Galeotti	Antonio	" 1910	"	Firenze
"	Gazzerini	Renzo	" 1915	"	Pisa
"	Granero	Celestino	" 1913	"	Pinerolo
"	Guidetti	Walter	" 1913	"	Bologna
"	Lelli	Luigi	" 1913	"	"
"	Ligonto	Giovanni	" 1913	"	Treviso
"	Marchiol	Giuseppe	" 1911	"	Udine
"	Merlini	Erminio	" 1912	"	Apuania
"	Magnan	Carlo	" 1911	"	Rovigo

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"	[illegible]elli	Ferdinando	"	1907	"	Genova
"	Coletto	Alessandro	"	1907	"	Torino
"	Cellini	Gastone	"	1908	"	Firenze
"	Cavagnini	Gaetano	"	1908	"	Vercelli
"	Colonnati	Luigi	"	1909	"	Cremona
"	Cavallari	Luigi	"	1913	"	Ferrara
"	Contini	Antonio	"	1910	"	Varese
"	Corti	Pietro	"	1911	"	Brescia
"	Colet	Tomaso	"	1911	"	Treviso
"	De Lorenzi	Girolamo	"	1909	"	Cremona
"	Fassina	Mario	"	1909	"	Padova
"	Gemelli	Giovanni	"	1907	"	Arezzo
"	Galeotti	Antonio	"	1910	"	Firenze
"	Cazzerini	Renzo	"	1915	"	Pisa
"	Granero	Celestino	"	1913	"	Pinerolo
"	Guidetti	Walter	"	1913	"	Bologna
"	Lelli	Luigi	"	1913	"	"
"	Ligorio	Giovanni	"	1913	"	Treviso
"	Marchiol	Giuseppe	"	1911	"	Udine
"	Merlini	Erminio	"	1912	"	Apuania
"	Magnan	Carlo	"	1911	"	Rovigo
"	Masazza	Annibale	"	1911	"	Asti
"	Miglioranzi	Odindo	"	1911	"	Verona
"	Novaretti	Giacomo	"	1908	"	Sacile
"	Ricco	Valentino	"	1911	"	Udine
"	Pacini	Giovanni	"	1913	"	Pistoia
"	Perretto	Ernesto	"	1911	"	Aosta
"	Rambaldi	Libero	"	1911	"	Bologna
"	Reggiani	Igilgo	"	1912	"	Reggio Em.
"	Ricca	Pietro	"	1912	"	Ivrea
"	Ranieri	Ferdinando	"	1913	"	Modena
"	Stefani	Rinaldo	"	1909	"	Padova
"	Sperolini	Giuseppe	"	1910	"	Ivrea
"	Teso	Giuseppe	"	1913	"	Venezia
"	Vignoli	Fortunato	"	1911	"	Firenze
"	Vertemati	Enrico	"	1911	"	Monza
"	Zoli	Lorenzo	"	1909	"	Cremona
"	Zaboni	Giacomo	"	1913	"	Brescia

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REGIO REPARTO COMPLEMENTO N. 621 - UFFICIO PER L'UFFICIALE PROVVISTO DI BOLLO

IL COMANDANTE DEL REPARTO

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621° REPARTO COMPLEMENTO
PER 1° DEPOSITO RIMONTA

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Soldato	Pagliare	Domenico	cl. 1922	D.M.	Lecce
"	Bucciarelli	Michele	" 1921	"	Chieti
"	Napoli	Rocco	" 1921	"	Reggio Cal.
"	Petrachi	Cosimo	" 1921	"	Lecce
"	Malara	Antonio	" 1922	"	Reggio Cal.
"	Frigelli	Oronzo	" 1915	"	Lecce

621° REPARTO COMPLEMENTI - 1° DEPOSITO RIMONTA - UFFICIO SPROVVISTO DI BOLLO

COMANDANTE DEL REPARTO
(Ten. Girardi Guido)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

TBJ/BMR/jjjr

NP/11/2.

G-5: 230.4

25 December 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Civilians in Somalia applying for active Military Service.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. The attached list has been received from the War Office, London, with the request that, should there be no objection, it be passed to the Italian Government, and with the following explanation of the circumstances

"The Chief Administrator, Somalia has reported that he has on several occasions been approached somewhat hysterically by the Italian Communist Party in Somalia who have asserted their desire "to fight alongside their comrades and the Allies against the common enemy in the sacred cause of freedom".

In order that these requests to serve should not go completely unheeded a nominal roll and particulars of applicants was called for.

It will be seen from the second column that the majority of the applicants are much beyond the age for active military service and that many of them have had no training for more than ten years. The Chief Administrator states that he does not think any of them expect for one moment that there is the least likelihood of their being called upon to leave Somalia and that what they really want is that their offer to serve should be known to the Italian Government."

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2. The War Office has requested that information may be given as to the disposal of the list in order that the Italian Communist Party in Somalia may be informed.

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

Pass D for info. Wm for info WP

T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

Incl:
as above.

HEADQUARTERS
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Done SPA 29/12

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3rd Ind.

336.7 B-2-3
Hq, XV AFSC, APO 520, 22 Dec 44.

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

1. Machine Gunner Taglia, Luigi, was discharged from the Headquarters 323rd Service Group on 26 October 1944.

2. The soldier is being returned to his unit through C.C.R.R. channels.

3. A letter, copy of which is attached hereto, requests the subject soldier be returned to his unit.

ACP

For the Commanding General:

Robert S Larson

ROBERT S. LARSON
Lt Col, AGD
Adjutant General

1 Incl:
Incl 1 - Ltr, Com Mil della Puglia e Lucania, 12 Dec 44.

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

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Comando Militare della Puglia e Lucania

UFFICIO PERSONALE

Prot. N. 2694 O/2 Bari, 12 Dicembre 1944

Risposta al foglio del N. Allegati N.

OGGETTO Fuciliere PAGLIA LUIGI.-

Al COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FICCHI" P.M. 93

e, per conoscenza a:

AL COMANDO STAZIONE CC.RR. DI SPINAZZOLA

AL COMANDO 15 ZONA FORZE ARMATE BARI

Per ordine del Comando F.A. è stato fermato dai CC.RR. di Spinazzola (Bari) il mitragliere PAGLIA LUIGI che ha dichiarato di appartenere al 152) btg. mitraglieri dipendente da codesto Comando.

Da quanto ha asserito il militare risulta vero pregasi disporre per il suo rientro al reparto e resta in attesa di conoscere eventuali sanzioni disciplinari o penali prese a suo carico.-

p'ordine
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
(Giuseppe Piazzo)

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

1st Ind.

336.7 E-2-2.
HQ, XV AFSC, APO 520, 15 Nov 44.

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

1. Reference paragraph 1, basic communication the closest that this office can determine, the proper designation of this unit is our Headquarters, 323rd Service Group, APO 520, U.S. Army.

2. If you can furnish the name of the Italian soldier in question it would be of great help in obtaining the definite whereabouts of the soldier concerned.

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For the Commanding General:

Robert S. Larson
ROBERT S. LARSON
Lt Col, AGD
Adjutant General

2nd IND

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.(MMIA) RCME.

To: HQ XV AFSC APO 520.

28 Nov 44

1. As requested in para 2 above the name of the Italian soldier who is reported to be employed by 323rd Service Group APO 520 is Mitragliere TAGLIA Luigi, who is a deserter from 152 Bty Mitragliere Piceno Div.

2. It is requested that if it is found that this soldier is still so employed he may be discharged from his present employment and returned to his unit at S.Giogio S, through CC.RR channels.

F. J. Noakes

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

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel O.R.'s

Land Forces Sub Commission
(A.C.) M. M. I. A.
R O M E
AQ/11/2

2 November 1944

To : HQ U.S. Service
Group, APO 520.

1. This HQ has received information through Italian channels, that an Italian soldier is being employed by HQ 5-H-0323 RA Service Group, APO 520.

2. This address is not considered to be the correct designation of a Unit of the United States Forces.

3. It is thought that you would be able to identify the Unit and advise this HQ of the official address and designation, in order that enquiries may be made into the present whereabouts of the soldier concerned.

4. Your assistance in this matter will be appreciated.

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

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 221730A

TO MMIA

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 221730A

TO MMIA

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BEAUCHAMP
23 DEC 1944
A. C. C.

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AQ/19. CONFIDENTIAL. PLEASE CONFIRM NO RPT NO
FURTHER MMIA SHIPPING EXPECTED BARI AS AM ARRANGING
TO EMPLLOY PORT DET INCL ITALIAN PERSONNEL
OU OTHER DUTIES
ET 221730A

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel - O.F.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

21 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Fant. USUBELLI Angelo.

1. It has been reported that the above named Italian Soldier, received injuries whilst on Guard Duty for the Allies, at MES= SINA on 3 March/44.

2. He was sent to the hospital at CATANIA on 5 March/44 and on 7 March was transferred to a British hospital in Algiers.

3. On discharge from the latter hospital he was sent to 211 POW Camp from which he was despatched to Italy on 11 Sept, with instructions to report to Italian Military H.Q., NAPLES.

4. USUBELLI states that he was without pay for a period of 7 months, and was not given a statement to the effect that his injury, which resulted in the loss of one eye, was sustained whilst on duty for the Allies.

5. It is requested that you will please trace this soldier and arrange for the balance of pay due to him to be adjusted and settled as early as possible. 25/3

6. The fact that his injury was sustained whilst on duty for the Allies may be supported by the Authority of A.F.H.Q. letter CR/3867/G1(Br) of 16 Dec/44. 131/1

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7. Please inform this H.Q. of your action in this matter.

F.J. [illegible], Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Medical Arrangements - Italian Hospitals.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/7

2(Dec 44.

H.Q. No.1 District.
C.M.F.

Ref. your ID/5/6/A of 17 Dec/44.

1. The figures given in the appendix to our AQ/7 of 2 Dec/44 are proposed target figures laid down by the Ministry of War, and NOT existing figures of beds equipped.

2. Any assistance you can give in making accommodation available to complete these extension would be appreciated.

F.J. [illegible], Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

JP/eb

Copy to:- D.A.D.M.S.
M.M.I.A. L.O.
No. 1 District.

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Subject:- Italian Soldiers - transfers of O.R.B.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O H B
A2/11/

20 Dec 43.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
Rear H.Q. 8 Army
G.H.Q.

Ref. the attached copy translation of a letter received from Ministry of War.

1. Will you please forward any information you may be able to obtain in respect of the soldiers mentioned in the Ministry of War letter.

for P.J. HOLMES, Col,
D. & D'M,
M.M.I.A.

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Translation.

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From:- M of W. () Ref:- 30666 ()2/C.A.

To:- MMIA. Date:- 19th Dec. 44.

AQ/11/2

Subject:- Location of Italian soldiers.

The u/m soldiers of the IInd Polish Corps had to be transferred to the C.I.C. as agreed by the HQ of the Corps and Col. W. MICHNIEWICZ. But this transfer did not occur.

We shall be grateful if you would please ask for informations from the IInd Polish Corps as to the actual location of these soldiers.

C.M.	BRUNETTI	Attilio	Class	1917
Sold.	SPANIARDI	Alberto	"	1921
"	PAOLETTI	Ferdinando	"	1923
"	SUSTERSICH	Stanislao	"	1926
"	CALDERONE	Michele	"	1923
"	CIMINI	Giuseppe	"	1926
"	FERRACI	Antonio	"	1927
"	VALERIO	Angelo	"	1911
"	PIZZOCH	Emilio	"	1924.

(Sgd) Chief of Cabinet.

Lt. FABRE.

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VE/VC MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Protocollo N. 106647/2/C Allegati

Risposta al foglio del

Roma, 19 diecembre 1944

Divisione Sezione N.

AC 19/12

OGGETTO: Ricerca di militari italiani

Land for Ital. mil.

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

ROMA

I militari sotto indicati, già appartenenti al II Corpo Polacco, dovevano essere trasferiti al C.I.L., come d'intesa fra il Comando di tale unità e il Colonnello W. MICHNIEWICZ, ma il trasferimento non ha avuto luogo.

Si sarà grati a codesta Sottocommissione se vorrà cortesemente chiedere al II Corpo polacco notizie circa l'ente a cui i militari sono attualmente in forza:

Cap.magg.	BRUNETTI Attilio	Classe 1917
soldato	SPANIARDI Alberto	Classe 1921
Soldato	PAULETTI Ferdinando	Classe 1923
soldato	SUSTERSICH Stanislao	Classe 1926

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

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soldato	SUSTERSICH Stanislao	Classe 1926
soldato	CALDERONE Michele	Classe 1923
Soldato	CIMINI Giuseppe	Classe 1926
Soldato	FARRACI Antonio	Classe 1927
Soldato	VALERIO Angelo	Classe 1911
Soldato	PIZZOLA Emilio	Classe 1924

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel O.R.s.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME
10/11/

17 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. Attached are copies of two requests from Comando Militare Puglia e Lucania.

2. It is requested that you will please take the necessary action.

3. In future such applications should be dealt with by the Local Italian Administrative H.Q., in conjuction with the Allied Commander concerned, who, providing a suitable replacement is provided with normally agree to such transfers being put into effect.

F.J. [illegible], Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Copy to:- M.M.I.A. I.G.
54 Area C.M.P.
your two letters MF/102 — 126
of 9 Dec/44 refers.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Sold. USUBELLI A.
45 Inf. Regt. (Badoglio Army).

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission,
(for Land Force Sub Commission,
M.M.I.A.).

CR/3867/G1(Br).

16 Dec 44.

1. Reference the attached application from the above-mentioned soldier addressed to 211 PW Camp and forwarded to this Headquarters by North Africa District.

2. Sold. USUBELLI was evacuated to 96 (Br) General Hospital on 4 Mar 44 for treatment of an eye wound which he suffered while on guard duties at CATANIA Port on 2 Mar 44.

3. On discharge from hospital he was held in 211 PW Camp and as a result of representations that he was incorrectly held there instructions were given by this Headquarters for his early return to ITALY (AFHQ memorandum CR/3867/G1(Br) of 26 Aug refers).

4. He was despatched on 11 Sep 44 and instructed to report to Headquarters, Italian Army.

G. GRANT, Lt. Comd.,
for Major General,
DAG. G.1(Br).

OC/DDKT.

Encl.

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COPY - TRANSLATION

I, the undersigned Infantryman, USUBELLI, Angelo, was injured whilst carrying out Guard Duty for the British at the Port of MESSINA on 3 March 44.

On the 5th March 44 I entered the British Hospital at CATANIA for X-rays, but as the hospital at CATANIA was full of soldiers I was transferred on the 7th March 44 to a British Hospital in ALGIERS. From this Hospital I was sent to 211 POW Camp for onward transmission to ITALY. Five months after I was furnished with release documents with instructions to report to Italian HQ at NAPLES but without any documents stating the cause or nature of my injury.

I have been here at this place for 6 months because I have no documents from the hospital.

I was in AFRICA 7 months without being paid any money, because I belong to the Italian Liberation Corps.

I beg of you to please let me have some document or paper stating that my injury was sustained whilst on duty, as I have lost an eye and will return home without pay.

Thanking you in anticipation,

(Sgd) USUBELLI, Angelo,
Infantryman.

12.10.44.

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Translation. 11/2

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From:- Min of W.
To:- M.M.I.A. for information.

Ref:- 30641 /2/C.A.
Date:- 16th Dec. 44.

Subject:- Repatriation of C.M. SESTI PASQUALE.

Herewith attached copy of letter AG/III/2 (translated) from M.M.I.A. together with letter 11820/1723 1st from this office addressed to M.M.I.A.

As it may be noted, area HQs can deal with M.M.I.A. only through the Ministry.

Please forward more details in respect of the afn soldier.

(Sgd) Chief of Cabinet.

Sjt. FABRE.

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

Ref:- AG/III/2.
Date:- 10th Dec. 44.

Subject:- Investigation on Italian Mil. Personnel.

1/ Attached letter from H.Q. Campania is forwarded herewith for information.

2/ It has been noted that further details were given in respect of the NCO in question and nothing was mentioned whether he belonged to the Italian Army or is a POW.

(Sgd) Capt. S.E. ARCHER.

Sjt. FABRE

H.Q. Fieldy Company Adjutant

N.A. 121/2

P.T.O.

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Aff. attached to 30 6 42/4/1.

From :- HQ. Campania, Med. Section.
To :- HQ Campania, Personnel Office.

Ref :- 7128/Ord.
Date :- 11th Sept. 44.

Subject :- Repatriation of Cpl. Maggi. SESTI PROVINCE.

Ref. letter 10810/1738/ST dated 25/8/44.

It is mentioned that the NCO ordered by the local Mil. hospital ~~or General Hospital, Portici~~ to 65 Gen. Hosp. Portici to go and get the soldier in question, ~~stated~~ reported that the hospital was not in that locality.

From enquiries made it was found out that the hospital is in Naples, Via Salvator Rosa (Cosrea) in the "Elementary Schools".

The NCO went there and could not find C.M. SESTI P. as being admitted to that hospital.

A declaration made by 65 Gen. Hosp. is attached.

(Sgd) Med. Direction.
GUIDO FERRI.

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From :- HQ. Campania
To :- MM 1A.

Ref :- 11820/1723/S.T.
Date :- 16th Sept. 44.

File 98/9 Date dated 26 June 44.
..... for information.
Please forwarded news.

(Sgd) Chief of Staff.

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From :- 65 Gen. Hosp.
To :- HQ Campania.

Ref :-
Date :- 6th Sept. 44.

C.M. SESTI PASQUALE. is not in this hospital.

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(Sgd) 65 (Br) Gen. Hosp.

VE/vc MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

Protocollo N. 306417 /2/CA Allegati uno

Risposta al foglio del

Roma, 16 dicembre 1944

Divisione Sezione N.

OGGETTO: Rimpatrio Cap.magg.SESTI Pasquale.

Al COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA

P.M. 3400

e, per conoscenza:

→ ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION -A.C.-MMIA

ROMA

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Si invia traduzione del foglio AQ/11/2 della Sottocommissione per le forze Terrestri (MMIA), con allegato l'attergato n.11820/1723/ST da codesto Comando indirizzato alla stessa Sottocommissione.

Come é noto, i comandi periferici possono trattare con la Sottocommissione solo tramite questo Ministero.

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Al COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA

P.M. 3400

e, per conoscenza:

→ ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION -A.C.-MMIA

ROMA

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Si prega di fornire maggiori particolari in merito alla pratica che interessa il militare in oggetto.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

25-1-

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA-GABINETTO
Ufficio Collegamento Mise Alleato - Sez. 8ª (L. O.)

TRADUZIONE N. 4705/c
DATA 11-12-44 ore 1915

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) = ROMA =
AQ/11/2 = 10 Dicembre 1944

OGGETTO: Inchieste sul personale militare Italiano -

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

1. L'acclusa lettera ricevuta dal Comando Militare della Campania vi viene inoltrata per competenza.

2. Si nota che sono dati pochi particolari circa il sottufficiale in questione né viene indicato se egli sia militare dell'Esercito Italiano o un prigioniero di guerra.-

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p. IL MAGGIOR GENERALE MMIA
F:to Capitano S.P. ARCHER

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P.C.C.
IL CAPO II^ SEZIONE

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ALLEGATO AL FOGLIO N. 305417 2/CA

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA
Direz.di Sanità Militare

N.7128/ord. di prot.

Napoli, 11 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: Rimpatric del Cap.magg. SESTI Pasquale.

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA -Uff.Ordin.e Person.-
(Rif.f.10810/1733/ST del 20.8.u.s.) NAPOLI

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Da ricerche fatte si é venuto a conoscenza che il predetto ospedale trovasi a Napoli - Via Salvator Rosa (Cesarea) presso "Scuole Elementari".

Il sottufficiale si é recato presso quell'ospedale e non ha potuto rilevare il SESTI, perché questi non risultava ricoverato nel predetto luogo di cura inglese.

Si unisce una dichiarazione rilasciata dal predetto ospedale Generale.

il Colonn.Medico Direttore di Sanità
F.to Guido FERRI

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA
Ufficio Ordinamento e Pers.

N.11820/1723/ST

Napoli 16 settembre 1944

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA
Ufficio Ordinamento e Pers.

N.11820/1723/ST — Napoli 16 settembre 1944

Allegato I

Headquarters allied control commission army sub Commission-Apo 394

File AQ/9 June 26 1944

.....per informazione e con preghiera di voler fornire notizie.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
F.to Col.Vincenzo d'Arcaia

P.C.C.
IL CAPO 1ª SEZIONE

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C O P I A

Al Comando FF.AA. della Campania
Ufficio Personale

Il sunnominato sottufficiale non si trova in questo Ospedale.

Sergente, Company Clark
65th (British) General Hospital

6 September 1944

P.C.C.
Il Capo della II^a Sezione

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Subject:- Italian Military Personnel -
grant of Commissioned Rank.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

16 Dec 44.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
H.Q. 3 District.

Officer Cadet VISCONTI Ottorino.

Ref. 3MLO/3 of 22 Nov/44. — 104

1. The Ministry of War has informed this H.Q. that by decree of the Lieutenant of the Realm, the above named Officer Cadet has been promoted to the rank of 2/Lieutenant w.e.f. 1 July/44.

2. 2/Lieutenant Visconti has been assigned to H.Q. 7 Div.

P.J. MARKS, Col,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

EP:/ab

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Land Forces 307 SUB (29/1)

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

FJS/jjjr

G-5: 014.33

15 December 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation from Island of Lissa.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Land Forces Sub-Commission.)

11/1

1. Your attention is invited to the fact that all requests of this nature should be routed through the War Material Disposal and Italian Prisoner of War Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission.

2. A request for the repatriation of these Italians have been received through the proper channels and action is being taken at the present time.

For the Acting Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
17 DIC 1944
A. C.

F. J. SLAUGHTER
Captain, A.G.D.

no reply to yours
Applied 12 Dec

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NA

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SECRET

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
TS/G/19
14 Dec 44

Subject:- Repatriation of personnel and return of Wireless equipment from SPAIN.

G2 Sec.,
A.F.H.Q.

The attached correspondence is forwarded to you for interest. Separate action has been taken by this H.Q. on the movement of the stores.

Lt-Col

for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

2525

Copy to: AQ
X

AG 20/12.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

VE/vc

Protocollo N. 305778 /2/Gab. Allegati

Roma, 13 dicembre 1944

Risposta al foglio del Divisione Sezione N.

OGGETTO: Sergente allievo ufficiale VISCONTI Ottorino.

Cadet officer - Sgt Visconti OTTORINO

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

R O M A

112. 11/2

Riferimento foglio AQ/11/2 del 29 novembre.

Con decreto Luogotenenziale in corso di perfezionamento il Sergente Allievo ufficiale VISCONTI Ottorino é nominato Sottotenente di complemento con anzianità 1° Luglio e assegnato al Comando 227^ Divisione.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO ALLA GUERRA

G. Ricci

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Sgt. Cadet

By Decree of the Lieut of the Realm. officer. VISCONTI OTTORINO has been promoted to the Rank of 2nd Lieut with effect from the 1st of July. and assigned to 227 Div HQ..

Richardson

Lieut 227th Div

PH 16/12

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - Repatriation.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R C M P.
AQ/11/2

12 Dec 44.

A.F.H.Q. (for G5)

1. The Italian Ministry of War has reported the presence on the Island of LISSA (VIS) of a number of Italian soldiers who escaped from the Germans. 2523

2. May consideration please be given to the Ministry's request that these men be repatriated.

F.d.MORRIS Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: Ministry of War (your 400366/RPGR of 4 Dec 44 refers)

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Subject:- Transfer O.R's.

AG 11/2

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. C.M.F.
MF/102
3 DEC 44

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

The above copy of foncgram from Comando Militare PUGLIA e LUCANIA, BARI, is forwarded for action as necessary

Send H.Q. 1 Corps

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

/jmp

AG 11/2

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Traduzione (12)

From: PUGLIA e LUCANIA Mil. Command Signal
to: Maj. Murcell - L.O. MEDIA-Bari 2 Dec. 44

Ref. O/25749/2 ○ We beg you to grant authority to transfer from formation camp - TRANI to Special RR ACADEMY - LECCE the MARESCIALLO ORDINARIO (Staff Sgt) GIAMPIETRO GIAMPIETRO SALVATORE ○ PUGLIA e LUCANIA Mil. Command. —

(Authority)

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AQ 11/2

Liaison Officer
Land Force Sub Comm
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
54 Area
Ref: MF/102
9.December 44

126.

Subject: Soldier NICOLINO FRANCESCO

To ; Land Force Sub Comm (MMIA)
ROME

Ref attached copy of letter from Comando Puglia and Lucania.

May the request please be granted.

C.F.MURCELL Major

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

Sent to Allied Comd
Copy to 13/12

See folio 2520

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Translation

from: PUGLIA + LUCANIA Mil. Command ref. 26041/2
to: Maj. MURCELL-LO, M.M.I.A., BARI 6 Dec. 1944

Subject: Pte MACOLINO FRANCESCO

We beg you to grant authority that/an military/at present attached to Signals School at FRANCAVILLA FONTANA/ be posted to PICENO Combat Group HQ, since he has requested to join Combat Groups.-

Col. PIAZZO.

Scodlotti

125/1

NAVY S/C

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

Suspense _____ Date 22/12

FROM:	TO	FROM:	TO
Chief Staff Officer		Patriots Branch	
Secretary General		Security Branch	
Archivist		Establishments Branch	
Admin Section		Director	
Interior		Executive Officer (A)	
Public Safety		Executive Officer (B)	
Public Health		G-1 (A)	
Property Control		G-1 (B)	
Legal		G-4 (A)	
Education		G-4 (B)	
Monuments & Fine Arts		H.q. Comdt	
Economic Section		Adjutant	
Agriculture		Message Center	
Commerce		Orders & Bulletins	
Finance		2675 Regt	
Food		Political Section	
Industry		Navy Guidance of Planning	
Labor			
Mining Division		Air	
Public Works & Utilities		Communications	
Requisition Division		Civil Censorship Group	
Shipping		W.M.D.& P.O.W.	
Transportation		Public Relations Branch	
R.C. & E.G. Section		U.N.R.R.A.	
P.A. to Executive Commissioner			
Civil Affairs Branch			
Information Division			
Liaison Division			
I. & D.P. S.C.			
Italian Refugees Branch			

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Signature

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Interior	Executive Officer (B)
Public Safety	G-1 (A)
Public Health	G-1 (B)
Property Control	G-4 (A)
Legal	G-4 (B)
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Italian Refugees Branch	

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Signature
Remarks/Recommendation
Information
Approval/Disposal
Appropriate action
Investigation & Report
Dispatch

REMARKS Retained. No records in this Office of Colonel Dolbeare.

File

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION — ALLIED SUB-COMMISSION AUSTRIA

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AEK/wp

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AG 091.4/742 TPN-O

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: Domenico Nethuni - Italian Seaman.

TO : Comitato Gestione Navale, 32 Piaza Cerita, Naples, ITALY.
THRU: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394.
FOR: Military Mission to the Italian Army.

1. Reference is made to letter, this headquarters, file AG 201-F-Ascione, Vittorio (Civ) and AG 201-P-Nethuni, Domenico (Civ), dated 31 October 1944.

2. Informal information, brought to the attention of this headquarters, has disclosed that DOMENICO NETHUMI was employed using the name of NETHUMI as an alias.

3. It is now believed that NETHUMI'S correct name and address is as follows:

Domenico RUSSO,
Via 1 Abolito Monte
29 Torre Del Greco,
Italy.

HEADQUARTERS
15 DEC 1944
A. G. O.

For the Theater Commander:

A. B. KING,
Major, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - ORs.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
AQ/11/2

13 Dec 44

GHQ 2nd Echelon CMF

Sold.PIACENTINI P.

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Reference your G2E/R18/Gen/32 of 4 Dec 44.

1. The above named Italian Other Rank should report to Commando Militare Campania in NAPLES, which is the local Administration HQ.

2. It is requested that arrangements may be made by 5 Bn.GRTD.

F.J.Noakes

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

Copy to: G2E Section(Italian)
G.R.T.D.

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R.Q.M.E.
AQ/11/2

10 Dec 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. This HQ has been asked for information concerning the undermentioned youth.

2. It will be appreciated if you will forward any information you may be able to obtain. It is realised that the particulars given of Pasquale Foresi are rather limited.

3. Pasquale FORESI aged 15, born in LEGHORN, left his home in PISTOIA last February with the intention of joining the Italian Army He was last heard of in VICO del LAZIO (FROSINONE).

S.P.Archer Capt.

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

SPA/hh

Copy to: HQ Pistoia Province AMG CMF (your PP/108/5 of 2 Dec refers)

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - Enquiries.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/11/2

10 Dec 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. The enclosed letter received from Commando Militare della Campania is forwarded for information and necessary action.

2. It is noted that few particulars are given of the P.O.W. in question, nor is it stated whether he is a soldier of the Italian Army or a Prisoner of War.

S.P.Archer Capt.

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

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SPA/hh

Foglio 131

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Translation

From: CAMPANIA Hq (Mea)
To: " " (Pers.)

Ref: 1128/Ord.
Date: 11 Sept. 1944.

Subject: Repatriation of Cap. Maggs. SESTI Pasquale.

An NCO despatched from the local Military Hospital was not able to locate the above-named NCO in the 65th Brit. Gen. Hosp. at NAPLES.

A statement from the above Hospital is enclosed.

S/Col. FERRI

251s

From: CAMPANIA Hq (Pers.)
To: Hq A.C., Army Sub.

Ref: H820/1723/ST
Date: 16 Sept. 1944.

File AG/9, June 26, 1944.

.... for your information and request for news.

S/Col. d'ARCAIS.

Original sent to Mr. Rowe SPM 9/12.

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50 British Liaison Unit

8 Dec 44.

Subject:- Italian Military Personnel ORS

M M I A
Rome

96 1st Packet

AQ/11/2

Ref your AQ/11/2 of 15 Nov.
Fant EARSACCHI Bruno
80 Regt.

10/2

1. This soldier has now been posted as a deserter. He went on leave before it was possible to contact him and get the desired information.

2. It is suggested that A A I could supply this information.

M. Fieldman — 25/12

Maj
ADAAG

C M F
MF/RCB

NFA
SPA. 14/12

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SUBJECT: Italian Pack Tpt Personnel.

CONFIDENTIAL.

AG/111/2

Land Forces Sub Com, M.C.
(M.E.I.F.)
SD/3
6 Dec 44.

To: Ministry of War.

copy to: AFHQ G 3 Org & A
AAI G (SD) & A
MAIA LO Tuesdist.
" " Otudist.
" " NatMLO.
" " BARI
" " TARANTO
" " FIVE ARMY.
" " FIVE ARMY Sp. Inc.

Further to this H.Q. SD/3 of 1 Nov and your 305393/1/C.A. of 30 Nov, subject Provision of Muleteer Reinforcements, Replacements and personnel for pack tpt coys.

1. As at 10th Nov the requirement was for 2,711 made up as to 2,011 vide this H.Q. above-quoted letter of 1 Nov and personnel for a further two new companies.

2. Up to 1 Dec 1,988 personnel had been assigned against this figure of 2,771. Of this 1,988 only 1,822 had actually been found available and moved. Owing to desertion and other causes en route 1,758 arrived at their destination, of which 911 proved physically capable of duty in pack tpt coys. The balance of 842 was allotted to other duties in Five Army.

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These figures may be summarised as follows:

	Assigned.	Entrained	Arrived	Physically Suitable.
(a) From LEBANON Depot LEBANON and Eastern Districts.	654	525	486	151
(b) From ASTRONI	500	504	494	375
(c) From ATHENS.	834	793	773	385
	1988	1822	1753	911.

3. As at 1 Dec a further 170 personnel had been despatched ex-ATHENS and TRANI, numbers actually in transit. No report has yet been received on this draft. 600 available ex labour units in Disthree area are now scheduled to move (AFH, FX 60845 of 30 Nov refers.)

4. Should all the personnel referred to in para 3 arrive and prove suitable a deficiency of 1,110 remains against the requirement of 2,711 vide para 1.

5. As at 1 Dec 1,000 extra replacements were called for to cover wastage in companies during November.

6. It is proposed to meet the outstanding demand for 1,110 and 1,000 totalling 2,110 by trained and untrained personnel ex Balkans through St. Andrew's Camp TRANI. Rail movement of this personnel is being arranged to take place during the period 11 - 17 Dec.

7. This personnel must be medically fit for muleteer duty. Clothing and personal equipment incl blankets sufficient for journey, will be issued at TRANI before departure.

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7. Cont'd. Battle equipment is awaiting personnel at Fifth Army. The draft will be moved direct to COLLE SALVETTE.

8. New companies. In addition to the two pack tpt companies mentioned above the requirement of companies is now increased by:

(a) Numbers.

US-ITI	(i) personnel for 3 Coys	1,200	
BR-ITI	(ii) " " 8 Coys (Incl 90 Offrs)	4,000	
	(iii) Farriers	100	
	(iv) Saddlers	75	
	(v) V & R Units.	500	4,875.
	TOTAL - say -		6,000

9. It is planned that these personnel shall be trained by AAI in the fwd area and formed into self-contained coys before being used in the line.

10. Accommodation for a depot has been found and it is expected that personnel will be required at an early date for training. As soon as details are firm you will be notified.

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A.M.T. Galloway. M.C.
Major General.
A.A.I..

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"AFS"

02E/R8/Ar[illegible]/32.

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Tel: Vatican 42.

4 Dec 44.

To: HQ Military Mission Italian Army, Rome.

Ae/11/2

Subject: Italian Army personnel.
Soldato PIACENTINI, P.

7/12

Attached is copy of letter dated 2 Dec 44 received from 02E Section (Italian) at 5 Bn G.R.T.D.

Will you kindly arrange for instructions to be given for the disposal of Sold PIACENTINI as soon as possible.

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

2510

C.M.F.
BAM/F.

Copy to: 02E Section (Italian) 5 Bn G.R.T.D.

02E tried to pass
would enable
last company

See Folio 125

A.P.O. 1 Ops. Unit 4

G2 SECTION (STAFF)

6 BN. E.R.T.D.

G2E/NOLOT/5

2 13 44

Capt R Lovick

S/Capt Manpower Int (Italian)

Sig 132 CMF

263 SOLDATO PIACENTINI PIETRO (7 Mountain Rgt).

Sir.

With a/o O.R. received at this Dept 25/3
from 204 Italian Transit Camp (Capua)
on Movement Ord. No. 204/2 dated
204/2B/3/A dated 21 Dec. 44 (Copy to you).
This man is a native of Italian

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263 Soldato PIACENTINI PIETRO (7 Mountain Rgt).

Sir,

The a/m O.R. arrived at this Dept. from 204 A Area Transit Camp (Ex Hospital) in accordance with No. 204 A.A. Letter 204/288/2/A dated 2. Nov. 46 (1 Copy to you).

This man is a native of the Italian Army and was wounded in action and taken as a P. of W. Now

In view of the fact that he is at present only able to get about with the aid of a walking stick it is impossible to retain him for further Med.

May disposal instructions be given please.

W. Hunter, S/Ldr. OC Sect (MO).

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Translation. AG/111/2 119

Ref:- 400365/RPGR.
Date:- 4th Dec. 44.

From:- M of W.
To:- MMIA for information.

Subject:- Italian soldiers on Lissa Island.

From information received, it results that a number of Italian soldiers, who escaped from the Germans, were on Lissa Island.

In case these soldiers are still there, I shall be grateful if MMIA would examine the possibility to repatriate them.

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(Sgd) Gen. OXILIA.

AHQ asked for ruling

Lt CDRE

See folio 127/1 + 134 + 162

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Bor/c

Roma 11 Dicembre 1944

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

Div. 11 Sez. 1 Fasc. 400365 RPGR Allegati

Risposta al foglio

Per LA WAR MATERIALS DI=
SPOSAL AND ITALIAN P.W.
SUB COMMISSIONE
= R O M A =

OGGETTO: Militari italiani nell'Isola di Lissa.-

e, per conoscenza:

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

" " " " " " "

Da una segnalazione quì pervenuta, ri=
sulta che alla data del 21 Settembre u.s.
nell'Isola di Lissa esistevano numerosi mi=
litari italiani sfuggiti ai tedeschi.

Nel caso che detti militari si trovi=
no ancora in posto si sarà grati a cotesta
Commissione se vorrà esaminare la possibi=
lità di provvedere al loro rimpatrio.-

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

2507

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Subject: Italian Other Ranks - Enquiries.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

4 Dec 44.

HQ RAAC for Italian LO.

Paratrooper FRADUSCO Domenico di Francesco

1. Information has been received that a soldier named as above, and NOT TRADUSCO, was killed in action at IMBRECCIATA 5 Filottrano on 4 July 1944.

2. He was buried in the Cemetery at FILOTTRANO, outside the walls, on the right side of the cemetery, Grave No. 23.

3. It is regretted that no further information is available.

S P Archer Capt.

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

SPA/wk

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - ORs.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A) R C M E .
AQ/11/2

3. Dec 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Corp.Magg. PETTINE David. 108

Further to this HQ letter AQ/11/2 of 25 Nov 44.

Further information has been received concerning the above named.

(a) He is about 30 years of age.

(b) His home was near to ROME.

(c.) He was in the FIRENZE Division.

This information may help you to identify this soldier.

S P Archer Capt.

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

SPA/hh

Copy to: HQ Force 399 CMF (your SP/G5/416/B8 of 2 Nov refers)

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Folio 110 also refers

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HEADQUARTERS
PISTOIA PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref : PI/I08/5 Date: Dec. 2nd I944

SUBJECT : Information.

AG/11/2

TO : M.M.I.A.
Allied Commission
R o m e.

6/12

The son of a prominent citizen of Pistoia

Pasquale FORESI

age I5, born in Leghorn, left his Pistoia home last February stating, on a letter addressed to his parents, he was going to join either Allied or Italian Forces.

Last heard at Vico del Lazio (Frosinone).

It is thought he joined the Italian Army.- Could you trace him and refer to me.

W.E.McBRATNEY, Major
Provincial Commissioner
Province of Pistoia.

WEMB/fm.

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MMIA

RMAR FIVE ARMY

AG 229

RESTRICTED

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FOR MMIA LO VAN KIEK (.) FURTHER AG/11/2 OF 13 NOV (.)

IF PERSONNEL ENROLLED IN ITALIAN ARMY THEY BECOME LIABLE

TRAINING AS NORMAL REINFORCEMENTS AND WOULD NOT REPT NOT

REMAIN ON PRESENT ASSIGNMENT

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FWD AMG/CA

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Subject: Italian Pack Mule Coys.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

30 Nov 44.

MMIA LO:-
Rear 8th Army (2)
13 Corps
Rear 5th Army
Rear 5th Army Br Increment.

Attached herewith is a copy of Ministry of War Order of the Day dated 20 Nov 1944.

Please pass this information to all concerned.

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

SPA/wk

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Translations

From: Ministry of War

To MMIA

Ref No. 305352/2/C.A.

Date: 23 November 1944.

Subject: Transmission of Circular.

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

Sgd Gen. OXILIA

Ref: 106840/I
136.1.116

20 November 1944

MINISTRY OF WAR ORDER OF THE DAY

Subject: Pack Units.

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

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

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

My warmest praise goes to officers and men.

sgd A. CASATI

2501

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(1) 11/2/1

Subject:- Personnel in Italian Army Supply Depots. AG/11/2

To: MMIA LO 54 Area

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.(MMIA)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TLO/3

MIA 1/1~

1. PRESIDIO TARANTO have informed me that Comando APULIA & LUCANIA have instructed that all inf. personnel employed in MONTECATINI S.P. and TARANTO DD. be despatched to TRANI Camp (their 7416/SM dated 22 Nov, refers).

2. If this is carried out:-
(a) MONTECATINI will lose its entire guard personnel of 32 men: 20 are needed for the depot, and a further 12 for the new vehicle park, and must be retained.
(b) TARANTO D.D. will lose 12 men: 6 of these are employed as cherks, issuers and/or storemen, and are essential for retention: the other 6 can go.

3. I will be grateful if you can take up the matter with the Italian Command, so that these depots can function properly.

Wm. Lankford
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer - TARANTO

29 Nov 44

Copies to: HQ MMIA - Spoke Murrell
Presidio, TARANTO Men NOT now being taken away - Situation as before NFA (D.

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Subject: Italian ORs - Grant of Commissioned Rank.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AG/11/2

9 Nov 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Sgt (Cadet-Officer) VISCONTI OTTORINO
HQ 227 Div.

1. Attached is an extract from a report from our Liaison Officer at 3 District.

2. You are requested to consider this report and inform this HQ if Sgt Visconti can be granted a commission in the Italian Army.

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

3PA/ih

Copy to: MMIA LO 3 Dist (your 3MLO/3 of 22 Nov refers) 104

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - O.R.s

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

19 Nov 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref attached letter received from 413 Pioneer Regt

1. The answer to the attached letter is that the men in question will be returned to their Regiment (for disciplinary action) through CC.RR channels, to whom they would be handed over when evacuated through P.W. channels.

2. You will notice that O.C. 413 Pioneer Regt addressed his letter direct to this H.Q. Please make it clear that this is not the correct proceedure; such enquiries must be made through the Ministry.

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

SPA/wk

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See folio. 67/1

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SECRET

A9/11/2

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Disbandment of Anti-Aircraft Searchlight and Coast Defence Units.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
28 G/3 Nov 44

Ministry of War.

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Further to my letter G/3 of 31 October.

1. Completion of disbandment ordered in my above-quoted letter will be effected by 28 NOV except for rear parties mentioned in para 2.

2. Small rear parties may be retained as stated in Appendix "A" hereto, after 28 Nov. These Rear parties will be disbanded soonest and in any event by 15 Dec.

3. 22 & 25 AA Bdes are requested to give all possible assistance in the clearing of gun sites, equipment and ammunition, especially in M.T.

Major General
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- AFHQ (2) refers to your AG.091.711/015 GCT-G of 27 October 44.
HQ AAI (2)
22 AA Bde
25 AA Bde
203 Fixed Defences (2)
3 District

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3 District
Navy Sub Commission AC.
Air Forces Sub Commission AC.
HQ AC., Col SIMMONS, Allied Garrison, SARDINIA
MMIA LO PBS
MMIA LO 54 Area (2) one copy for Capt O'DONNELL
Internal:-A/Q, File, Spare (2)

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APPX "A" to MMIA letter G/3 of Nov 44

Formation of Rear Parties for Disbanding Anti-Aircraft Units

	OFFRS	ORS
HQ 19 Raggrupp	2	7
4 Gps 19 Raggrupp	4	12
Salvage Squad	4	80
HQ 20 Raggrupp	2	7
4 Gps 20 Raggrupp	4	12
Salvage Squad	4	80
2 & 3 Smoke Coys	2	6
Salvage Squads for Smoke Coys		20
TOTALS	22	224

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HQ FORCE 399
GmF

Subject: Military Personnel - O.R.s

Ref: SF/513/G14/B8
27 November 1944

AQ 11/2

To: Land Forces Sub Commission,
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ROME.
(Copy G.II 1(b))

3d 11

Capt. Mark. PETTIE David

Yr AQ/11/2 dated 9 Nov '44. — 86

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1. Further to our SF/G5/467/B8 dated 16 Nov '44 the following information - all that is meantime available - is tendered.

2. The above soldier was aged about 30 and his home was near ROME. He belonged to the FIRENZE division.

3. On 20 Oct '44 this soldier was handed over to the ITALIAN Harbour Authorities at BRINDISI for further delivery to the ITALIAN Military Authorities. It is thought possible that he may have been disposed of along with a large party of ITALIAN civilian refugees from CORFU.

4. Our enquiries continue as to the present location of the soldier.

S Watson

Major G.S.
for Lt-Col COMD.

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A/111/2 109/1

SUBJECT:- Commissioning of N.C.O's

Land Forces Sub Com A.C.
(MMIA)
G/6
26 Nov 44

TO:- Ministry of War

Your Commissariato letter N.22450/V dated 24 November 1944 has drawn MMIA's attention to the Ministry's proposal to commission 2000 non-commissioned officers. This is the first and only channel through which this Mission has been informed of such an important plan.

Will you please furnish further details concerning the entire project as envisaged by the Ministry, such as the source of this personnel, the training, the basis for selection, the eventual disposition, and whether these officers will constitute an increment to the present officer personnel or a substitution for personnel to be relieved etc.

Major Genrul
M M I A

Copy to:- A/G

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LAND FORCES 2/C 109

AG 11/2.
25/4

Subject: A group of Italian Officers respectfully suggests to admit also Italian Army enlisted men to all clubs, entertainments organized for the Allied Forces. Such a treatment, extent also to Italian soldiers would encourage them to fight with more enthusiasm against the common enemy.

NR 380 ND

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Al Comando della
Forze Alleate
(Headquarters)
Roma

Gli Italiani si battono molto volentieri
contro il comune nemico tedesco, a
fianco delle schiere truppe Alleate.
Ma ogni più valoroso battaglione è
insufficiente se restano in retro-
vie le forze della forza Alleata
"della fame".

Alla fine di novembre ogni
più ricco di combustibile
per l'esercito Italiano e per forze
Alleate, perché non si mette
in relazione o per lo meno agli
ufficiali dell'Esercito Italiano
di frequentare i ritrovi, club
esclusivamente riservati alla
Forze Armate Alleate?

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Gli Italiani si battono molto volentieri contro il comune nemico tedesco, a fianco delle valorose truppe dell'Intesa. Ma ancor più si battono e sacrificano se vedono un battaglione mandato sul fronte della Forza Alleata "alla prova".

Allo scopo di rendere sempre più i rapporti di cameratismo tra l'esercito Italiano e la Forza Alleata, perchè non si limitino ai soli atti o pro memoria agli ufficiali dell'Esercito Italiano di frequentare i ritrovi, che saranno messi a loro disposizione dalla Forza Alleata?

Un gruppo di ufficiali Italiani

Ten. Giorgio Gatti

Gen. Bertuccioli

Capt. Lo Cascio Raffaele

Magg. Lamanna

Capt. Giorgio Sanna

Cmdt. Lamia Aldo

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Subject : Italian Military Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm., A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AJ/11/2

27 Nov 44

To : MINISTRY OF WAR

Corporal/A. Maggiori PETTIT David

1. We have received communication that the a/m soldier was evacuated from Albania on 26 Oct 44. He had been with the British Military Mission there from Jan 44 until the date of his evacuation.

2. The a/m soldier has been cited for conspicuous bravery by the Comdr of the Mission. His acts included that of accompanying a British Colonel through strongly held German positions and attending his wounds with great care and devotion.

3. It is regretted that no information is available to date of his present location and further details as to his unit, home town, and age group are lacking.

4. It is therefore requested that:

(a) All possible steps be taken by you to trace the a/named soldier.

(b) In view of the extremely useful services rendered by him, that the a/named be rewarded suitably for his good services.

(c) He be given the opportunity of visiting his home in Italy which he left three years ago.

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F. J. NOAKES

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

MJN/mpp

Copy to: HQ Force 399, CMF

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Subject: Reinforcements

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

23 Nov 44.

O.C. Br Cadre RASC
1004 (I) G.T. Coy, CMF

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Ref your 1004/15/2 of 17 Nov.

1. The question of replacements of O.R.s of the Italian Unit under your Comd must be taken up by the Italian O.C. Coy through normal Italian channels.

2. This is a matter of internal administration, and is not, therefore, a concern of this H.Q. in the first instance. If you have any difficulty please forward details and we will check up.

F. J. NOAKES, Colonel,
DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

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Subject : Employment of Naval Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm., A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AG/11/2

23. Nov 44

To : Navy Sub Comm., HQ A.C.

1. The attached letter from AADC Brindisi, is forwarded to you being a matter pertaining to your command.

S P Archer Capt.

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

SPA/mpp

Copy to: D.I.C.A.T., Brindisi for information.

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SUBJECT:- Italian Military Personnel.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)
c/o Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/120

24 Nov 44

A2/11/2

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC
(M M I A) Rome.

28/11

Reference the attached A2/11/2 of 12 Nov 44.

Since the original enquiry forwarded with my MM/120 of 19 Oct 44 originated from the Italian LO, RAAC, will you please forward the information to him?

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

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17 NOV 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/11/2
12 November 1944

TO: MMIA LO Rear 8th Army

Paratrooper FRADUSCO Domenico

Ref your MM/120 of 19 Oct/44.

1. Copy of this H.Q. letter to Ministry of War in respect of above named Italian Soldier is forwarded for information.

2. No information is at present available concerning Cap Magg CROCI fu TITO.

S P Archer Capt

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

SPA/le

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C O P Y

Subject: Italian Other Ranks - Enquiries.
Paratrooper FRADUSCO Domenico di Francesco

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
A2/11/2

Nov 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your 6167/C of 23 Oct 44.

1. Information has been received that a soldier named as above, and NOT TRADUSCO, as stated in your above quoted letter, was killed in action at IMBRECCIATA 5 Filottrano on 4 July 1944.

2. He was buried in the Cemetery at FILOTTRANO, outside the walls, on the right side of the cemetery, Grave No.23.

3. It is regretted that no further information is available.

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

SPA/hh

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for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

SPA/hh

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106/1

Subject :- Transfers - Other Ranks

To :-
HQ MMIA Rome

5I British Liaison Unit

A I/7

A2/11/2

25/11

Chief of Staff CREMONA Division
File
L O

Geniere VENTURO, Giovanni

Application has been received from the a/m Italian soldier who is at present serving with the IX Gruppo battaglioni di polizia (4 btg - I5 cp) to return to the Cremona Combat Gp in which he previously served.

He makes this request as he has heard that the Group may shortly be in the line.

Will you please instruct S M R E to approve this transfer, which is strongly recommended by General Primieri.

Field
22 Nov 44
PM:E/RGT

Major
MMIA LO

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Translation

From: SMRE
To: MMIA

Ref: 13188/SP/1
Date: 22 NOV. 1944

AQ/11/2

(Ref: letter 13157/1 of the 21 inst.)

Subject: Italian Military personnel (NCO)

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Referring to letter AQ/11/2 of the 14 NOV. we inform:

1) Sgt. FRASCA Antonio has been temporarily transferred to the mobilization center (CAGLIARI Mil. Dista.) in accordance with circ. 8058, dated 12 Sept. 1944 of the M of W - Office of NCO & O/R Conscription - regarding "Absent Strength" (copy inclosed.)

2) Sgt. FRASCA will be taken into the strength of the 107th Coy., 27th Bn. again upon his return, in accordance with the same circular.

3) 212 Hq. will inform MMIA directly at the proper time of the date the NCO reports back to his unit.

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S/ Gen. SANTI

BBS

Not Sent SPA 25/11

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

P. M. 151, li 22-novembre 194..

Al LA M.M.I.A. ROMA
= AL COMANDO MILITARE ITALIANO 212 P.M. 181
(seg.f. ~~13157/1 del 21~~ corr.)

N° 13188 / 81./1 di prot.
Allegati N. 1

OGGETTO: Personale militare italiano (sottufficiali)

Rif. 23/11

Riferimento foglio AQ/11/2 in data 14 novembre si comunica :

1°- Il Sergente FRASCA Antonio è stato temporaneamente trasferito al centro di mobilitazione (distretto militare di Cagliari) in esito alla circ. 8058 in data 12 settembre 1944 del Ministero della Guerra - Direzione Generale Leva Sottufficiali e Truppa - all'oggetto "Forza assente" (allegata in copia) -

2°- Il sergente FRASCA all'atto del suo rientro alla 107^ cpg. del XXVII battaglione verrà riassunto in forza in merito alla stessa circolare -

3°- Il Comando Militare Italiano 212 vorrà comunicare, a suo tempo, direttamente alla M.M.I.A.

./. T 248/1
23/11

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la data di presentazione al reparto del sottufficiale.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(A. Calaresu)

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz.Gen. Leva Sottufficiali e Truppa

N° di prot. 8058/TRUPPA - 2^ Sez. P.M. 151, lì 12 settembre 1944

OGGETTO : Forza assente.

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA	P.M.120
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CALABRIA	P.M. 114
AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA	P.M. 67
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SICILIA	P.M. 126
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA	P.M. 50
AL COMANDO DEL TERRITORIO DI	R O M A
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A" DELLO S.M.R.E.	P.M. 185
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "T" DELLO S.M.R.E.	P.M.120/A
AL COMANDO DEL C.I.L.	P.M. 155
AL COMANDO GENERALE CC.RR.	R O M A
AL COMANDO "CERSA"	P.M. 67
AL COMANDO "CERSETI"	P.M. 120/A
AL COMANDO ITALIANO 212	P.M. 181
AL REPARTO AUTONOMO MINISTERIALE	R O M A
AL COMANDO QUARTIERE GENERALE S.M.GENERALE	P.M. 151
AL COMANDO QUARTIERE GENERALE S.M.R.E.	P.M. 151
AL COMANDO REALI ACCADEMIE	L E C C E

e,per conoscenza :

AL COMANDO SUPREMO	P.M. 151
ALLO S.M.R.E. - Uff.Ord.e Mobilitazione	P.M. 151
ALLE DIREZIONI GENERALI ED AGLI UFFICI AUTONOMI DEL MINISTERO	S E D E

1° - Al fine di contenere la forza dell'Esercito entro i limiti fissati dalle Autorità alleate,occorre che tutti i militari,assenti dai reparti per un periodo che si presume superiore ai 30 gg.,cessino di far parte dei reparti stessi e siano transitati in quella dei Depositi (normali o sussidiari) dove figureranno in un :

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AL COMANDO GENERALE C.S.M. — P.M. 67
AL COMANDO "CERSA" — P.M. 120/A
AL COMANDO "CERSETI" — P.M. 181
AL COMANDO ITALIANO 212 — R O M A
AL REPARTO AUTONOMO MINISTERIALE — P.M. 151
AL COMANDO QUARTIERE GENERALE S.M.GENERALE — P.M. 151
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AL COMANDO REALI ACCADEMIE

e,per conoscenza :

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ALLE DIREZIONI GENERALI ED AGLI UFFICI AUTONOMI DEL MINISTERO — S E D E

1° - Al fine di contenere la forza dell'Esercito entro i limiti fissati dalle Autorità alleate,occorre che tutti i militari,assenti dai reparti per un periodo che si presume superiore ai 30 gg.,cessino di far parte dei reparti stessi e siano transitati in quella dei Depositi (normali o sussidiari) dove figureranno in un :

- Ruolo speciale,sotto il nome di "Forza assente",tenuto dalla Compagnia Deposito sussidiato da una rubrica nominativa alfabetica.

2° - In essa,forza assente,dovranno pertanto essere compresi: 2483

a) i militari assenti arbitrari (devono essere transitati nella forza assente del Deposito dopo 5 gg. dalla data d'assenza ;

b) militari in licenza straordinaria senza assegni per oltre 30 gg. (circolare ministeriale 400/II del 10 gennaio 1944) ;

c) militari in licenza trimestrale rinnovabile (collocamento a lavoro civile - circ.minist. 1676 del 14 febbraio 1944) ;

d) militari in licenza rinnovabile di 90.gg. (operai specializzati- (circ.Comando Supremo 10393 del 17 gennaio 1944) ;

e) militari in licenza di convalescenza per un periodo superiore ai 30 gg. ;

f) militari già alle armi,compresi nelle classi 1914 o più giovani, fruenti di esonero trimestrale perchè in servizio presso gli AA. (circ.ministeriale 8057 del 12 settembre 1944) ;

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g) Militari degenti presso Ospedali Militari che dopo il 30° giorno debbono essere trasferiti in Ospedali a trattamento civile (circ ministeriale 1/2383/San. del 9 luglio 1944) ;

h) militari che per qualsiasi altra disposizione non compresa nelle precedenti venissero dispensati dall'effettivo servizio per un periodo superiore ai 30 gg.

3° - All'atto della cessazione dalla forza effettiva per qualsiasi motivo di cui al paragrafo 2°,il passaggio dal corpo che li tiene in forza al Deposito rispettivo,nella "Forza assente" è fatto per posta con duplice bassa di passaggio di cui una copia viene restituita al corpo dopo averla firmata per ricevuta.

4° - I militari di cui al n° 2°,che all'atto della cessazione dei motivi per cui sono stati transitati nella "Forza assente",si presenteranno al reparto di provenienza per riprendere servizio,saranno ripassati dal Deposito nella "Forza ~~assenta~~ presente" del reparto stesso mediante regolare bassa di passaggio in duplice copia con le stesse modalità di cui al n° 3°.

5° - I militari compresi nel ruolo speciale della "Forza assente",tenuti a parte,come è detto al n° 1°,non dovranno figurare nelle segnalazioni periodiche della forza effettiva del Deposito.

6° - Per i militari del ruolo speciale "Forza assente";aventi diritto a trattamento economico saranno tenuti giornali di contabilità e registri degli assegni separati da parte dello stesso Deposito che li tiene a ruolo. Resta ben inteso che gli stessi non hanno diritto a somministrazione di razioni viveri.

7° - A matricola dei militari di cui trattasi,dopo le variazioni relative alla posizione in cui si trovano (licenza straordinaria senza assegni, licenza di convalescenza,esonero trimestrale,denuncia per diserzione,ecc.) sarà apposta la seguente variazione:

Tale nella "Forza assente" del Deposito.....
circolare.....(citare la presente),lì.....

Alla cessazione della speciale posizione,(perchè scaduta la licenza concessagli senza altra rinnovazione,o perchè definita alla visita di controllo la posizione medico-legale,o perchè ritiratogli e per non rinnovatogli dalle Autorità AA l'esonero trimestrale,o perchè definita la posizione in seguito alla denuncia per diserzione ecc.ee.) dopo la variazione re-

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da al passaggio in duplice copia con le stesse modalità di cui al n° 3°.

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Tale nella "Forza assente" del Deposito..... circolare.....(citare la presente), lì.....

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Tale cessato dalla "Forza assente" del Deposito..... circolare..... (citare la presente) e passato al Corpo o Distretto, (a seconda se deve continuare o cessare dal servizio)..... lì .....-

8° - Nella "Forza assente" del Deposito non dovranno figurare i militari in licenza illimitata per provvedimenti eccezionali (circ.n.300 e 350 Gabinetto- in data 15 dicembre 1943).

Detti militari devono essere restituiti ai Distretti Militari competenti ed iscritti da questi nei ruoli 115 "Forza in congedo".

9° - I Comandi di Regione o di Territorio provvederanno alla diramazione della presente circolare a tutti gli Enti dislocati nella propria giurisdizione.

IL MINISTRO = F/to A.CASATI

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(A. Calaresu)

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Subject : Promotion - Italian Army personnel.

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22 Nov 44

Land Forces Sub Commission, AC,
(MMIA),
R O M E .

AQ/111/2

Copy to : HQ 227 Div.

Sgt (Cadet-ofir) VISCONTI Ottorino - HQ 227 Div.

The a/m cadet, having passed all the necessary exams both as "Aspirante" and "Allievo Ufficiale" with credit in Feb 44, is now debarred from becoming a commissioned offr as only successful candidates from the Commissariato branch of the Army have as yet been commissioned.

This cadet, now employed as interpreter on 227 Div Liaison staff to HQ 3 District and with whom I have been working in close contact since Aug 44 has, to my mind, shown himself, by his intelligence and zeal, to be in every way deserving of his commission. Further, his work would be rendered very much easier were this granted him.

HQ 227 Div have on several occasions forwarded his particulars and application for a commission to War Ministry but no results have yet been obtained.

In accordance with para 4 (c) of AFHQ letter AG 091.711/169 GCT - O dated 16 Nov 44 might the necessary action please be taken by you to expedite the granting of a commission to this cadet.

Major,
MMIALO,
3 District.

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - O.R.s

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

22 Nov 44.

To : HQ RATD CMF

Serg Magg NICOLETTI
Art CARLETTI ULDERICO — 91

Further to this HQ AQ/11/2 of 13 Nov/44

1. The Ministry of War has today informed this HQ that the above named Italian O.R.s were transferred to 31st Inf Regt in September.

2. They have failed to report to 31st Inf Regt and have therefore been declared to be deserters.

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

SFA/wk

Copy to GHQ 2nd Echelon CMF
(your O2E/R8/550/103 of 6 Sept, refers) — 8248

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Subject: Italian Military Personnel - O.R.s

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/2

2/ Nov 44.

MMIA LO 62 BLU, C.M.F.

Sgt RINGOLI Leonardo, 51 Engr Bn

Further to this HQ AQ/11/2 of 23 Oct/44 — 64

Copies of correspondence relating to the above named N.C.O. are forwarded for information.

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

SPA/vrk

(Gen A 14/13 of 16 Oct
also ir/us.)
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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO SERVIZI-Sezione S.M.

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nº 1266 di prot. P.M.151, lì 4 dicembre 1943.-

O G G E T T O:- Alloggiamenti truppe italiane.-

ALLA MISSIONE MILITARE PRESSO L'ESERCITO
ITALIANO - LEQUILE

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Si comunica che, come da accordi presi col generale Duchesne, Capo di Codesta Missione, le disposizioni contenute nel foglio nº 30/Q in data 26 novembre c.a. dello Scaglione Avanzato del G.Q.G.A. sono state trasmesse agli enti interessati con la precisazione che esse riguardano essenzialmente località nelle quali sono dislocate truppe anglo-americane.-

Per le altre località sgombere da reparti anglo-americani:

- quando si tratti di alloggiare unità di consistenza rilevante ed in conseguenza saturare una zona di territorio, occorre chiedere la preventiva autorizzazione delle competenti autorità anglo-americane;

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- per occupazioni di limitata entità è sufficiente informare le autorità predette di quanto è stato fatto.-

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STATO MAGGIORE R. E. * III° Reparto *

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
- A. Mariotti -

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