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AQ/11/2 Italian Military Personnel O.R.s 2nd Cover
March - April 1945

Translation

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Класс: 7/11

To : M.M.TA.

ser 6/1. ¹²Jacob.

Ref. 108554 I 1

Date: 10 April 45

Subject: Italian Military Personnel

Libyan Sergeant ATTIA BEN BEIA, actually on strength with the Colonial Military ~~nucle~~ ^{unit} group, of the Italian Africa Ministry, is ~~located~~ ^{billeted} at the "CASERMA GIACOMO MEDICI" located in VIA PIAZZA.

5 q neg: Chief of the Cabinet

W. E. Ewing



to 107.6 PH 10.8

St/18



Roma 10 APR 1945

Ministero della Guerra
Gabinetto

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

Divisione *Sez.*
Int. A. 108557/I/1 *Allegato*
110.10.11

Requisito *del* 9.9.1944
Da *Da* 1AQ/11/2

OGGETTO personale militare italiano

e, per conoscenza:
AL MINISTERO DELL'AFRICA ITALIANA - Gabinetto -
ROMA

Il sergente libico ATTIA BEN DEIA,
attualmente in forza presso il nucleo mi-
litari coloniali del Ministero Africa Ita-
liana, è alloggiato presso la Caserma "Gia-
como Medici" sita in via Paolina.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

Sturmf.

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Subject : Italian Soldiers - Inquiries.

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

7 April 45.

Ministry of War

1. This HQ was asked some time ago to obtain information reference present position of Sold. MOZZA ^{Domenico}, whose parents have had no news of him since July last year. This information was required by Private Secretary to Ecc. Count SFORZA.
2. The only information that had come to hand so far is that Sold. MOZZA was with N° 221 Pack Group and he was last heard of in a hospital in Florence. Further inquiries are being made and you will be advised of any further information received.

S.P. Archer Capt

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

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FROM BR INC 5 ARMY 061904B
TO NMIA
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A/11/2
IMMEDIATE

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REF NR2254

RESTRICTED PD FIVE LOVE OBOE SLANT ONE ZERO PD REFERENCE YOUR ABLE
THREE TWO OF TWO THREE MARCH AND MY FIVE LOVE OBOE SLANT EIGHT
OF TWO SIX MARCH PD MOZZA ~~WAS~~ WAS WITH TWO TWO ONE PACK GROUP PD
LAST HEARD OF IN HOSPITAL FLORENCE PD CONTINUING INVESTIGATIONS
PAREN TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE FROM MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE LOVE OBOE
BRITISH INCREMENT FIFTH ARMY PAREN

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From: N. of V.

TRANSLATION

A/11/2

Ref: IC8075/1/1.

233/1

To: AMIA.

114-7-2.

4/4/45.

Subject: Transfer of L/Sgt OTTONELLI Gino.

IN att, letter, Lt H. Street R.N.F. has requested from this Ministry, that L/Sgt OTTONELLI Gino at present in service with the "Sabauda" Division, be transferred to the Nirvanetta Club, as a specialist cook for the Allied Officers.

We beg you to inform us if we can adhere to this request.

GD

[Handwritten signature]

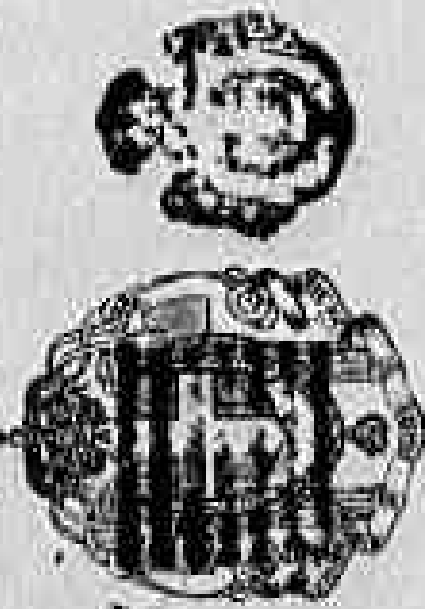
Chief of Cabinet.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto IN

T. SPA 3/4

Ord. N° 108075/I/1 Allegati

114.7.2

Resposta al fido

1-4 APR 1945

Roma,

Div. Sec. N°

trasferimento cap. magg. OTTONELLI Gino

OGGETTO:

Transfer of 4/sep 45

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

R O M A

Il Tenente H. Street R.W.F., con la lettera che si
unisce in copia, ha chiesto a questo Ministero che il capo
ral maggiore OTTONELLI Gino, attualmente in servizio pres-
so la Divisione "Sabauda", venga destinato al Club "Mirvanet"
ta" in qualità di cuoco specializzato per gli ufficiali al-
leati. 2727

Si prega compiacersi far conoscere se si debba aderire a tale richiesta. -

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d'ordine
 IL CAPO DI FABINETTO
[Signature]

Translation.

From; Nirvaretta Club (Allied Officers
RAAC.)

To ; M. of W.

28/3/45.

Subject; Transfer.

I Lt H. Street Mil, Manager of Nirvaretta Club for Allied officer RAAC sited in Via Maronita Rome request from this Ministry, that L/Sgt OTTONELLI Gino at present with the Sabaude Division P.O. No 30, be transferred to my locality as a specialised cook for Allied officers.

I would be *grate*ful if this request was dealt with immediately. *2726*

Signed, Lt H. Street RNF.
Mil, Manager of Nirvaretta Club.

GD.



C O P I A

Al Ministero della Guerra
Via Venti Settembre
Roma

OGGETTO: - Trasferita.-

Io, Tenente H. Street, Manager Militare del "Nirvanetta" Club per Ufficiali Alleati-P.A.A.C.-sito in Via Maroniti - Roma, chiedo a cotesto Risp.le Ministero, che il Caporal Maggiore OTTONELLI Gi-no-attualmente presso la Divisione "Sabauda"-P.M. 30-venga destinato al mio locale quale cuoco specializzato per gli Ufficiali Allea-ti.-

Vi sarei grato se la mia richiesta viene presa in immedia-ta considerazione

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T/to Tenente H. Street R.M.F.
Manager Militare del Club
"Nirvanetta".-

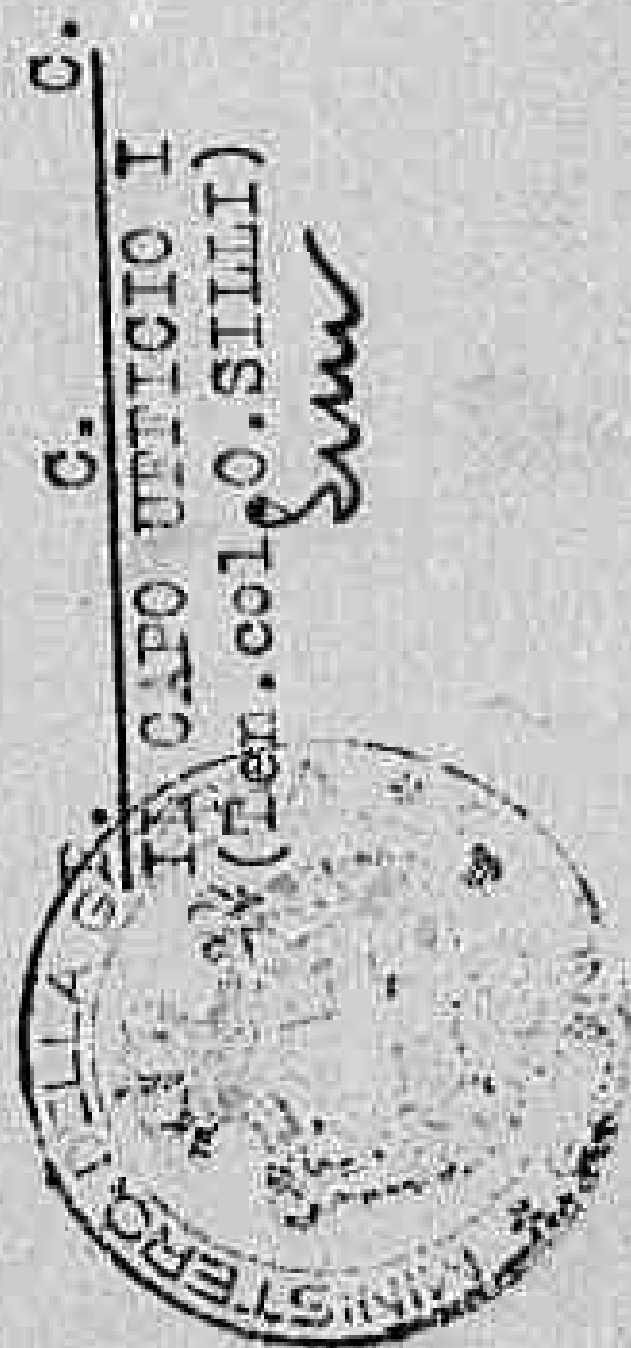
"Nirvanetta" Allied Officers' Club
P.A.A.C. - 20 Marzo 1945

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Manager Militare del Club
"Mirvaretta".-

Via Maroniti, Largo Tritone
Rome.



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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

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2 April 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Commander Military Territorial Headquarters of Rome
Sardinia Office
Attention Lt Colonel Costantino.

1. In accordance with telephone conversation between Colonel Costantino and Colonel Albert this date, desire that the request of Colonel J.A.C. Pennycuik, AC Regional Commissioner of Sardinia to have his driver CAPM. PASCIUTTI, Rocco, an Italian soldier, be transferred to the 266/1 Service Company, Italian Service Unit of Naples Province for services to Colonel Pennycuik, be granted.

2. The soldier is eligible for discharge when his home town is liberated.

3. Colonel Pennycuik desires to take Pasciutti on the S.S. AFRASIA when the Commission moves on 10 April. Responsibility for any documents it is necessary to hand the 266/1 Service Company will be taken by Colonel Pennycuik.

4. Request this matter be treated as urgent.

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Copy to
MMIA for information

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison 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 ✓

2 April 43.

Ministry of War

The attached letter from the mother of an Italian Soldier of whom she has had no news since July 1943, is forwarded to you for attention and necessary action.

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

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SPA/fo

Incl.

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C O P Y

AL COMANDO MILITARE ALLEATO di

R O M A

Oggetto: NOTIZIE RIGUARDANTI A NOVENA IGNAZIO di
Salvatore classe 1912 detenuto presso il carcere
Militare di Gaeta.- (Caserma Mazzini) 20 Sezione

Io sottoscritta, CAMPIONE ANTONINIA di
da Mazara del Vallo - abitante in questa via Ales-
sandro Manzoni N.26, nella qualita di madre del no-
minativo in Oggetto, faccio imile istanza a V.S.
Ill. ma di volervi interessare sulle ricerche del mio
predetto figlio il quale ha dato notizie di se in
Luglio del 1943.

Ho fatto del tutto per potere avere le
notizie di cui sopra ma tutte mi e riuscito infrut-
tuoso perche nessuno si e voluto interessare.

Pertanto Vi rinnovo la preghiera di ac-
contentare questa povera madre che vi Supplica.

Mazzara 3 Marzo 1945

Campione Antonina

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11/2
TRANSLATION.

FROM: Campione Antonina

REF:

TO: Rome Allied Military H.Q.

DATE: 3 March 1945

SUBJECT: Information in respect of NOVENA IGNAZIO
di Salvatore, Class 1912, held in Gaeta
Military Prison (Mazzini Barracks) Section 2.

I the undersigned, CAMPIONE ANTONINA, di da Mazara del Vallo,
resident in Via Alessandro Manzoni, No. 25, mother of the person
named above, humbly beg of you to be so kind as to make enquiries
regarding my son, above mentioned, who last communicated with me
in July 1943.

I have done everything possible to gain information
about the above named, but all has been unavailing due to lack
of interest on anyone's part.

I therefore beg of you once more to comfort the poor
mother who entreats of you,

Sgd. CAMPIONE ANTONINA

C. DANIN CPL.

*Original sent
4/2
J.P.A.*

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Subject: Italian Soldiers - Undesirables

S E C R E T

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

30 Mar 45.

O.C. F BLU RTC ICF, CMP

Ref your A/9A/121 of 24 Mar 45

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1. There is no machinery in the Italian Army by which undesirable soldiers may be demobilized on those grounds only; such an arrangement would provide an easy method of avoiding military service, and the general standard would be far lower than at present.
2. The only satisfactory method of dealing with this problem is to treat each case on its merits as indicated in the attached copy of a letter addressed to the Ministry of War in February of this year.
3. Will you please consider this problem on the lines suggested in the above mentioned letter.

W. Pidsley
Colonel.

Major General,
M. M. I. A.

SPA/wk

C O P Y

SECRET

SUBJECT: Undesirable personnel in
the Italian Fighting Forces.

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

S/G/29/29

23 February 45

TO : War Ministry.

Ref your letter 12894/Mob di prot dated 17 Feb 45.

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1. The problem enunciated in your letter is not a new one and exists in varying degrees in most armies. There are many ways of dealing with men who are not good soldiers, the method selected should depend on the nature of each individual case. The one method which should never be adopted as a general rule (and very infrequently in particular cases) is to transfer the men from one unit to another.
2. In the present case it would be most unwise to transfer these elements in total to the Division suggested, although useful employment may be found for some in service or other units. It is suggested that Commanding officers should carefully consider each individual case with the man's immediate superior officer and ascertain what is the trouble and how it was caused.
3. It may be found that the man in question:
 - (a) has a real grievance which can be righted.
 - (b) is medically unfit (psychiatric or otherwise)
 - (c) is mentally deficient.
 - (d) is under some outside influence.
 - (e) lacks discipline.
 - (f) is criminally minded.
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4. Each case should be disposed of according to its merits, and the solution of the problem might come under the following ranges:-

- (a) an improvement in the administration (or command) of the unit or sub unit.
- (b) hospital treatment or change of employment.
- (c) special treatment within the unit.
- (d) disciplinary action.
- (e) removal from the unit.

5. It is considered that a large number of the cases in question are avoidable and would be satisfactorily cured if officers and NCOs took a greater interest in the men under their command. The alternative, if the problem becomes a serious one is to consider their discharge from the army or concentration in civil penal units which would appear to be most undesirable from every point of view

6. Will you please cause this matter to be given serious consideration immediately and a further report made on this matter on 1 April 1945.

/ek

Major General
M.M.I.A.

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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

29 March 45.

O.C. 572 Army Field Coy,
C.M.F.

2718

Patriot CORDONA Armando.

Ref : your A/I5/8444.

I. Your above quoted letter has been referred to the Ministry of War who have replied in accordance with the attached copy translation.

2. Will you please inform this HQ of the designation of the nearest Italian military HQ to your Unit in order the Ministry of War may take action in accordance with para 2,3 and 4 of their letter.

3. According to the Italian Army regulations O.R.s can only be promoted to commission rank for valour on the field. Will you please say whether CORDONA can claim promotion on these grounds.

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

SPA/fo

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Patriot Volunteer.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

File : A/11/2
28 March 45

TO : 15 Army Group.

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1. Attached for your action are a photostatic copy of a letter in behalf of Graglia Adriano and a letter from the same, both self-explanatory.

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Major General
M.M.I.A.

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FROM LOGU 261635A

TO 1 MMIA

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REF NR 4056

RESTRICTED PD FIVE LOVE OBOE SLANT EIGHT PD REFERENCE YOUR ABLE THREE
TWO OF TWO THREE MARCH PD TWO THREE ONE DIVISION REPORT NEGATIVE RESULT
SO FAR PD FEW SMALL UNITS NOT YET REPLIED PAREN TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE
FROM MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE LOVE ~~GRE~~ OBOE BRITISH INCREMENT FIFTH ARMY
PAREN

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Italian soldiers - employment

Subject:

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

A/II/2

25 March 1945

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

Ref this HQ letter A/II/2 of 15 March 45.

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

SPA/fo

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

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Subject : Inquiries.

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

24 March 45

MMIA LO
Rear HQ Fifth Army.

Ref : attached copy letter from Ministry²⁷¹
of War.

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

P. Archer

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

SPA/fc

TRANSLATION

From: M. of W.
To: MMIA.

Ref: 100999/1/1/
111-1-5

Answer to Letter 15/3/45.

Subject: Sgt CORDONA ~~XX~~ Armando:-

224/1

23 Mar 45

1) Before Sgt CORDONA Armando may draw the pay due to him, he must be screened.

which 2) He will therefore report to the nearest Italian Mil H.Q. that will address him to the ~~XXXX~~ screening unit.

3) As soon as the military position of a/m N.C.O. ^{is} ~~will be~~ defined he will be taken on the strength of an Italian H.Q. that will pay him his credits and wages.

4) Consequently we would like to know where 572 Army Field Coy R.E. is located in order to determine the nearest Italian unit that will administrate This N.C.O.

5) Concerning promotion we inform you that according to actual instructions, N.C.O.s can be promoted to the rank of 2Lt only for ^{merit} ~~merit~~ following a feat of arms, and on specified proposals made by authorities concerned. This N.C.O. is not in such a position.

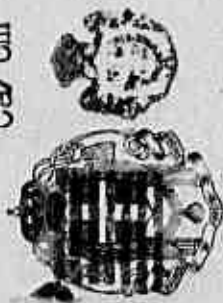
GD.

AS

(Lombardi)

See folio 213 2nd packet
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Ca/cm



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto

Prot. N. 1069993/I/Regali
III - 1 - 5

Resp. del 15.3.1945

Roma, 23/11/45
Dir. 24/11/2

OGGETTO: Sergente Maggiore CORDONA Armando.

AL LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
A 24/3
ROMA

Perchè il Serg. Magg. CORDONA Armando possa liquidare gli assegni spettantigli, è necessario che regolarizzi la sua posizione agli effetti della discriminazione.

Egli pertanto dovrà far capo al più vicino Comando militare italiano, che gli indicherà l'Ente cui dovrà presentarsi per essere censito.

Definita la sua posizione militare il sottufficiale sarà fatto assumere in forza da un Comando italiano, presso il quale potrà riscuotere gli assegni arretrati e correnti.

A tale scopo si gradirebbe conoscere la località in

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A tale scopo si gradirebbe conoscere la località in cui è dislocata la 572^a Army Field Company R.E. onde stabilire l'ente italiano più vicino che dovrà amministrare il sottufficiale.

Per quanto riguarda l'avanzamento, le disposizioni in vigore consentono che un sottufficiale possa essere promosso sottotenente solo per merito di guerra, in seguito a servizio fatto d'arme ed a motivata proposta delle autorità gerarchiche, il che non si riscontra nel caso del CORDONA.

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

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224.

Subject : Italian Army - promotion O.R's.

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

23 March 45.

Main HQ. Eighth Army,
C.M.F.

8228 Cap.Mage.Parac LIFONTI Aldo.

I. Further to this HQ letter AQ/II/2 dated 5th of Feb. (copy to you) the Ministry of War has informed this HQ that the commander of 'FOLGORE' Combat Group has been ordered to forward through normal channels a regular proposal for the special promotion for War Merit in respect of the above named NCO.

S.P. Archer ²⁷¹¹
S.P. ARCHER, Capt.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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File

SIGNAL MESSAGE

A/11/2.

DATE TIME
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FROM: MMIA
TO: FIVE ARMY

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FOR BR INCR FOR MMIA LO (*) REFER LO REAR 8 ARMY LETTER MM/115
OF 4 MARCH 45 (*) REQUEST INFORMATION EARLIEST

PRECEDENCE

Routine

AUTHENTICATED

JP Archer Capt

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A/II/2

Subject: Inquiries.

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
AQ/3

22 March 1945.

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

Reference your A/II/2 of 16 March and Ministry of War letter
106240/I/2 of 8 March (returned herewith).

1. The two American units that dealt with the Italian civilian
concerned are with 5 Army. It is suggested that you contact MMIA LO
5 Army for assistance in this matter.

2. Please note that the attached copy of the Ministry's letter
spells the man's name in two different ways (UCCI AND USSI).

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George D. Smith, Jr.
GEORGE D. SMITH, JR
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

JAC/jlm

*Self 3 Army
HQ
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DR*

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 221

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Transmission Instructions

A/11/2

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MMHA LO Near Eighth Army

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For Action

MMHA ROME ✓

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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Message Instructions

GR

MMHA LO Five Army Br Inc 7219

Originator's No.

MM115

Ref yours A/11/2 dated 18 Mar @ you
are referred to my MM115 d 4 Mar with copy to
second addressee @ Sptd Mezza is NOT in a unit
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