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AQ/11/3 Italian Military Absentees + Deserters

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Roma, 8 gennaio 1945

Ministero della Guerra
GABINETTO

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

ROMA

Divisione
Pol. N° 100180 / 10 Allegati

Rappresentante del

Dir. Lex N°

OGGETTO: Geniere Esposito Fioravante -

Ingeniere 7

AQ/11/3

9 Jan

Riferimento foglio AQ/11/3 del 17
novembre 1944.

Per potere regolarizzare la posi-
zione del militare in oggetto, si prega di
voler cortesemente sollecitare la decisio-
ne del Comando A.A.I.-

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d'ordine

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

Request for AAI
division re Esposito

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Subject :- Discipline - Absentees TRANI Camp.

Capt E. O. DOWNELL
MMIA L.O. TRANI
c/o Sigs BARLETTA.

TC/36.
6 Jan 44.

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

Copy to :- MMIA L.O 54 Area.

42/11/3 Jan

1. On the morning of 6 Jan 524 muleteers were scheduled to leave TRANI for ORVIEITO. The number of muleteers physically present in barracks on the evening of 5 Jan was 543.

2. In an endeavour to avoid sending off less than the ~~AG~~ agreed total of 524, the men were confined to barracks and a guard put on the only door. Taking advantage, however, of a failure of the electric current, some 300 men who had already been warned for the draft escaped from barracks during the evening and night. The number of men actually sent to ORVIEITO was only 231.

3. I am of the opinion that among the muleteers in this camp there is a hard core of approx 300 from APULIA who came here from LECCE on the disbandment of 47 Inf Regt Depot. These men, although present in camp, make off when a draft is due to leave, returning to camp when the draft has gone.

4. Part, if not all of the trouble is due to the fact that the average Italian soldier is convinced that there has been such a breakdown of normal Italian military justice that he can do exactly as he pleases without receiving a punishment that meets the offence. He is aware that the prisoners are full, and that prisoners who have been convicted by court-martial and sentenced to several years in prison have been released on conditional liberty after serving only a few weeks of the sentence. Hence there is no real deterrent to the wrongdoer, and the only discipline that exists is that of the

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5. Since the Italian authorities seem unable to cope with this grave situation, it is respectfully requested that the Allied authorities take the matter up. If some of these habitual escapees could be considered P.O.W and transferred to M. AFRICA, or sent to punishment camps, the effect on other home-lovers would be very great.

6. Pending orders from you as to their disposal, these absentees of 6 Jan will be held here as they return.

(K)

EO Donnell
Capt.

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T R A N S L A T I O N

FROM: MINISTRY OF WAR.

Ref: 100123/1

TO: M.M.I.A.

Date: 4 Jan/45

Proceedings against Deserters.

In Answer to letter AQ/6 dated 31 Dec/44.

A) The following military tribunals are now in existence.
BARI - CATANZARO - NAPLES - ORISTANO - PALERMO - ROMA - TARANTO - MACERATA - CATANIA.

There is on other hand a tribunal section at LECCE and another at SASSARI.

The special Military tribunals have no fixed H.Q. but in base of proclamation N°26 dated 25 of May 1944 from Head office S.M.G. Those are called upon in cases of immediate trial requirements as for example: by any unit Commanding officer who holds the rank of General.

B) The N° of Deserters actually detained awaiting trials will be communicated later and in full.

For the moment we inform you that from the 1st of October 1943 to the 31 of October 44 about 60.000 troops have deserted and of these only 10% are at the time under arrest, the remainder are all still absent without leave.

C) The Deserters awaiting trial together with those already sentenced are being detained in the following prisons:

MILITARY: Roma, Naples, Palermo, Vibo Valentia, Taranto, Lecce, Goeta.

CIVILIAN: Lanusei, Oristano, Alghero, Tempio, Castiadas, Bari, Niscaro, Catanzaro, Cosenza, Reggio Calabria, Sassari, Martina Franca, Emma, Castrovillari, Rossano, Locri, Asinara.

We point out that the detained personnel awaiting trial are kept in their own unit for a period not exceeding 30 days.

The average period of detention before trial cannot be estimated with sufficient precision as it varies following

the N° of cases that are to be dealt with by each tribunal N° that varies greatly at defficient times and between one tribunal and the other, However the required dates has been requested from Military Attorney Gen of the Realm and will be sent on to you as soon as received. The average November of desertion cases dealt with each day will also be sent with precised data as soon as the Attorney General has collected and sent them to us.

DE MICHELIS.

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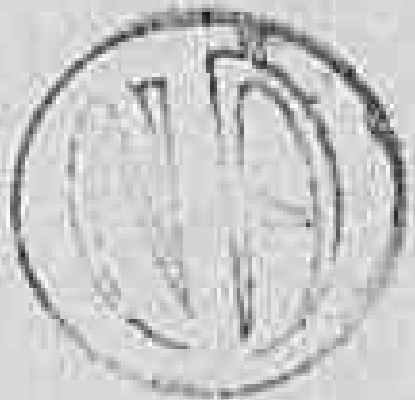
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HEADQUARTERS MTOUSA, APO 512, 3 January 1945.

RHF/jcm

TO: Deputy President, Allied Commission.
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission, MMIA.

Your attention is invited to copies of attached letters.

For the Theater Commander:



A. B. King

A. B. KING,
Major, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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Incl #3 - Ltr, Hq MTOUSA, file AG 091.713/012 A-O,
dtd 3 Jan 45.

Incl #4 - Ltr, Hq MTOUSA, file AG 091.713/012 A-O,
dtd 3 Jan 45.

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~~Subject:~~ Absentees CREMONA GRUPPO

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
AQ/11/3
26 December 1944

To : ✓ AFHQ (2)

Copy to: 51 BLU

1. It is reported by 51 BLU that the following Italian soldiers of the Cramona Gruppo, while on leave, have been employed by Allied units as shown:

(a) Tpr ANATRIELLO Domenico
21 Inf Regt
Home Address CRISPANO
— Employed by 117th Q M Bn Mobile APO 782 U S Army

(b) Artymen TUCCI Antonio
7 Arty Regt
Home Address FOGGIA
Employed by HQ Army Air Force Service Comd, Med
Theater of Operations.

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2. Copies of the documents given to these soldiers by Allied officers are attached.

3. It is evidently not understood that exemptions from military service are not granted serving soldiers, and no effort was made by the Allied officers concerned to ascertain the status of these men.

4. Request that these two soldiers be delivered to 51 BLU by the Allied officers who are now employing them.

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

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Certificate, Hq 117th QM BN
Certificate, Hq AAFSC

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HEADQUARTERS
117th QM BN MOBILE APO 782
U S ARMY

We inform you that ANATRIELLO DOMENICO is working at this
camp as supervisor.

His exemption papers have been requested.

THE COMMANDING COLONEL
/s/ Carlo N. Mayo

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

NOV 7 1944
(Date)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

This is to certify that the bearer, Antonio TUCCI, is employed by this command. He has been granted a temporary draft exemption by the authority vested in us by Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy. Request for further draft exemption has been forwarded to Colonel Negroni, Italian Liaison Officer.

EDMOND W. BASTAK
1st Lt Air Corps
Civilian Pers Off

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MEDITERRANEAN HEADQUARTERS
THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO **512**

In reply
refer to

3 January 1945

AG 091.713/012 A-0

SUBJECT: Deserter from Italian Army.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces, HTO, APO 650.

1. Information has been received from 51st British Liaison Unit that Artilleryman Antonio Tucci, 7th Artillery Regiment, is employed by Headquarters Army Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

2. The status of this individual will be investigated, and if he is determined to be a deserter from the Italian Army, his employment will be terminated and the nearest Italian authorities notified.

3. Exemptions from military service will not be granted to serving Italian military personnel. 6/4/7

By command of Lieutenant General McHARGUEY:

A. B. KINO,
Major, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA
TO MMIA
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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees
and Deserters.

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

R.O.
12/11/44

2 Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. The attached lists show particulars of Absentees and Deserters from Friuli Combat Group for the periods 1st - 10th November (total 172) and 1st - 24th December (total 433).

2. You are required to take strong and urgent measures to effect the apprehension of these men.

3. You will forward to this H.Q. on 31st Jan/45 a return showing against each man's name whether or not he has been apprehended, and returned to his unit for disciplinary action to be taken. 4470

4. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to Public Safety Sub Commission A.C. as it is anticipated that active cooperation of CCMR will be required to effect the apprehension of these Absentees and Deserters.

5. The lists pinned together and marked "X" will be returned to this H.Q.

Copy to:- Public Safety
Sub Comm. A.C.
Spec. Sec. M.I.A.

W. P. D. L.
M.I.A., Col. Genl.
for Major General,
M.I.A.

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Subject:- Absentees and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. C.O.
(M.I.I.)
H O S I
10/11/3

2 Jan 45.

MINISTRY OF W.A.

Abbinazzi Call-up Trani Camp.

1. The attached nominal roll shows particulars of Italian Soldiers who are Absentees and Deserters from Trani Camp.
2. You will please take urgent and strenuous measures to apprehend these men.
3. Please render a report this R.O. on 31 Jan and ⁴⁴⁷ 4 against each man's name whether he has been apprehended and if so whether he has been returned to Trani Camp for disciplinary action to be taken.
4. A copy of this letter has been sent to Public Safety Sub Commission and it is anticipated that active co-operation of the CCHB will be required in the apprehension of these men.

S.P. Archer Cyn

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

Copy to:- Public Safety S/C
M.I.I. L.O. Trani Camp
ref. your T.C./27/21 Dec.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ext: 388.

2 January 1945.

Ref: 8252/33/COS

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

I am directed by the Chief of Staff to refer to memoranda 8252/30/COS of 21 December and 8252/32/COS of 28 December on the above subject, and to request early notification of the action you have taken.

Copy to : SO to CC.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff. 447.

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees
and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
19/11/3

31 Dec 44.

M.M.I.A. L.C.
53 B.L.U.
C.M.F.

DI MATTEO Francesco
di Ruggero
Folgore Group.

1. Capt Philips reported on 27 Nov/44 that the above named deserter from the Italian Army was employed with 1019 P.M. Coy RM.

2. G.C. 1019 Port Maint. Coy RM. denies that Di Matteo has ever been employed by the unit under his command.

3. Will you please pass this information to the proper quarter.

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S.P. Archer Capt.

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

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees
and Deserters.

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

R O M E

12/11/3

31 Dec 44.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
50 B.L.U.
C.M.P.

Will you please forward the attached C.M.P. report and
body receipt to the proper Authority, in order that the
necessary disciplinary action may be taken.

S.P. Archon Capt.

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

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Subject:- Italian Army Absentees
and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.I.A.)
R.C.M.
10/11/3

31 Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Enate BASILICATO Cirò
15 Inf Bgt.

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Further to AG/11/3 of 27 Nov/44 (copy to you).

1. Information has been received that enquiries made of all
Units employing Italian Labour in M.O.L., have failed to locate
the above named Italian Soldier.

2. Will you please pass this information to Comando Militare
della Campania ref their letter 9316/1683/ST of 5 Aug/44.

SP Archw Capn 4470

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

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees
and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AQ/11/3

H.Q. 3 District.
C.C.F.

31 Dec 44.

Tpr. AMANIERA Giuseppe
21 Inf Bat.

1. It is reported that the above named deserter from the Italian Army is at present employed by 16 Base Workshops ROME (P.Sec).

2. It is requested that you will please issue the necessary instructions for Amaniera to be discharged from his present employment, and handed over to the C.C.F.R. for subsequent return to his Unit.

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S.P. Archer Capt.

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

Copy to:- G.C. 51 R.L.U.
C.C.F.

your A. 6/1 of 12 Dec. refers.

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LROF V MEDY V MAED NR 300447 IMPORTANT QVR3
FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA
TO AC FOGGIA
INFO AC SOUTHERN REGION

MMIA

QQX GR --- BT
AQ33 (.) RESTRICTED (.) FOLLOWIG PGX/// PHONE CONVERSATION
OF 29 DEC (.) HAS SOTTO TENENTE DE MEO FRAC//
FRANCESCO BEEN RETURNED TO 9 AUTIERI REGT (ITALAIAN) QUERY
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SUBJECT: Deserters.

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

AQ 11/3
30 DEC 44

TO : Ministry of War.

1. It has been reported to M.M.I.A. that upon various occasions, Italian soldiers have seen and even talked to individuals who were known by them to be deserters of the Italian Army.
2. If an Italian soldier sees known deserters living as civilians and also if he knows that the probability of the deserter being apprehended and returned to Military service is small, the Italian soldier is liable to think that he also could desert and suffer no ill consequences.
3. It is desired that you issue the appropriate orders making it mandatory for all Italian military personnel to turn over to the nearest CC.RR., or Military HQ, any person whom they know or believe to be a deserter of the Italian Army.
4. Please furnish M.M.I.A. a copy of your order.

REP 4407

MAJOR GENERAL
M.M.I.A.

See Folio 108 and packet.

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Subject: Allied Employment of deserters and
illegal absentees from the Italian Army.

File
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .
AQ/11/3

H.E. Marshal MESSE, S.M.G.

30 Dec 44

1. Your n.106978/AV prot of 17 Dec has been passed to me for reply.
2. This matter is well known to both the Minister of War and MMIA. In fact we have been taking action for months past in removing soldiers so employed.
3. Instructions were issued by AAI last summer that the Allies are not to employ deserters from the Italian Army. Considering that soldiers have a civil identification card, it is obviously very difficult, if not impossible, for the Allies to know whether a man is a deserter or not, if in civilian clothes.
4. The matter of a soldier on leave working for the Allies was dealt with in my AQ/3 of Nov 20.
5. All Italian soldiers in uniform employed by the Allies should form part of an established Italian Division and be reported in the strength returns as such. Failure to do this is the fault of the Italian Commanders.
6. I will however represent the matter again to AFHQ.

L. Brown
Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Copy to: H.E. The Minister of War (together with a copy of the letter referred to in para 1 above).

H.Q., A.C.

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Subject: Allied Employment of deserters and
illegal absentees from the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/11/3

30 Dec 44

A.F.E.Q.

1. I forward correspondence sent by Marshal MESSE to Chief Commissioner, A.C. and passed by the latter to me, for action.
2. I attach, for easy reference, copies of correspondence in this connection between H.Q., A.A.I. and myself, together with a copy of the letter I have sent to Marshal MESSE.
3. I think it would be advisable if you would issue a further directive now embracing the whole matter.
4. Apart from its effect on the prestige and authority of the Italian Army, such a directive would be another means of assisting us to get the reinforcements we so badly need and which are not forthcoming owing to circumstances beyond MMIA control.

L. Browning

hh.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ext: 388

21 December 1944.

Ref: 8252/30/COS

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

1. The attached translations and originals of correspondence received in the Chief Commissioner's Office are forwarded for your action.
2. Will you please take the matter up with AFM and, in the meantime, send interim reply to General Messe on behalf of the Chief Commissioner, with a copy to this Office.

sgd for
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Encls.

Copy to: SO to CC.

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C O P Y

Translation

The Chief of Staff
n. 106978/AV prot
5 enclosures

P.M. 3890, 17 December 1944

Dear Admiral,

The General Staff has been informed that pretty often, Italian soldiers who have left arbitrarily their units have been taken for service by Allied military authorities without the previous authorization of the Italian commands from which these soldiers depend.

The Italian commands are therefore unable to take proceedings against the said soldiers for their desertion.

The Italian Ministries have informed the competent Allied Sub-Commissions which showed comprehension and interest about this problem.

I enclose a copy of letter n. 1086 and of letter 1087 of November 7th of the Ministry of Marine and a copy of letter A.Q. 8, of November 20, of M.M.I.A.

In spite of these communications and of the action taken by the Allied authorities, there are still cases of Italian soldiers, in regular service, being detained by the Allied commands, in contrast to the present regulations.

Considering this and the need to regularize the matter uniformly, in the interest of the discipline and efficiency of the Italian Army Force, I shall be most grateful to you, my dear Admiral, if you could intervene by the Allied Commands and see that they don't take Italian soldiers who have service duties to fulfill.

Truly yours,

s/. The Marshal of Italy
Chief of Staff
G. Messe

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ADMIRAL HENRY W. STONE
CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION

trans. e.c.

C O P Y

Translation

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

AL F.O.I.I.

ROME

n. 1086/FO

SUBJECT: Deserters of the R. Navy working as civilians for the Allied
Military Authorities.

1. The cases mentioned in the letters n. 36/2a of October 2nd (ZENIO-CAPRIATI) and n. 394 of the 13th of the same month (STRULA) have been examined and orders have been given to avoid arresting preventively the military deserters employed by the organizations depending from the Allied Army Forces.
2. Nevertheless, we must again draw the attention of the F.O.I.I. on the very serious consequences of these admittances for our Army Force, for the soldiers are getting convinced that the Allies grant immunity to those who are guilty of this very serious offence.
3. Assurances have been given by various Allied Authorities; the F.O.I.A. of Taranto sent the Admiral Commander in Chief of the Jonio Department and South Adriatic the enclosed letter (copy); but as a matter of fact, the incidents we complain of go on and become more frequent.
4. In another note, that we enclose too, are mentioned the latest cases concerning the failure to fulfill the engagements taken about these urgent decisions, in relation to letter 36/1 of September 25rd, sent by this F.O.I.I. to the General Staff of the R. Navy.

THE MINISTER
s/ de Courten

c. o.

/u/ Renzo Rocca

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C O P Y

Translation

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

n. 1087/FO

To F.O.I.I.

Regio

SUBJECT: Artilleryman IO RISO Pasquale, n. 95343, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) in 1919, living there, Corso Umberto I.

1. Reference today's letter 1086/FO of this U.G.
2. Gunner IO RISO Pasquale, n. 95343, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) in 1919, living there, Corso Umberto I, unlawfully left the Depot C.R.M.M. of Taranto on June 1st; has been denounced to the Military Tribunal of this town on September 30th.
3. The Am of the OC.RM of Manfredonia that had been entrusted with the researches communicated that IO RISO is working for the Allied Military Command of this city that declared he was indispensable, exempting him from presenting himself to the Italian Military Authorities.
4. We are waiting for the decisions of this Office, according to the last part of your letter n. 1/36/1 of September 23rd.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET
s/ C. di V.F. BASLINI

c.o. s/. Renzo Rocca

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C O P Y

Translation

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

n. 1087/FO

To F.O.L.I.

R o m e

SUBJECT: Gunner G. TROLANO Pasquale, n. 18040, class 1920

- 1/ Reference your letter of today, 1086/FO from this U.G.
- 2/ The gunner G. TROLANO Pasquale, n. 18040, class 1920 was sent on leave by his Command (R. Incor. Duca degli Abruzzi), for a fortnight to Manfredonia (Foggia), with the order to be back on board on June 14th.
- 3/ TROLANO being guilty of the offence of desertion, the C.C.R.R. of Manfredonia have been asked to see that he was brought on board.
- 4/ The Arm itself communicated that the gunner was working for the Allied Authorities, which didn't allow his being taken away.
- 5/ We are waiting for the decisions of this office, according to the last part of your letter 1.56/1 of September 23rd.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET

s/ G. DI V. F. BASLINI

c. o.
Renzo Rocca

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Translation

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

n. 1087/FO

To F.O.L.I.

R o m e

SUBJECT: Sailor MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, n. 33693, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) on March 1st 1920, living there in Corso Roma, 104.

- 1) Reference your letter today 1086/FO of this U.G.
- 2) The sailor MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, n. 33693, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) on March 1st 1920, living there, Corso Roma, 104, was sent by his Command (R. Navy Buffoloto Detachment - Taranto), for 9 days to Manfredonia on November 22nd, 1943.
- 3) As he didn't come back, to his corps, he was said to have deserted.
- 4) The Arm of the CC.RR. which was entrusted with the researches, communicated that MARASCO was working for the Allies and that the local A.M.C. didn't allow him to leave his work.
- 5) Required to intervene by the local Allied Command, the Arm of the RR.CC. sent the following declaration to the Command of the Detachment of the R. Navy of Buffoloto:

HEADQUARTERS
AIR FORCES COMMAND DEPT/8

Date 18 October 1944

Subject: Deferment of Italian Civilians.
To : Whom it may concern.

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This is to certify that Matteo Marasco di Ciro is now employed as an ammunition specialist by AFCD/8, and that his work is necessary to Allied War Effort; therefore, we do not consent to his release.

For the Commanding Officer:

s/ Willard F. Stewart,
1st Lt. Ord. Dept.,
Adjutant.

- 6) We are waiting for the decisions of this office according to the last part of your letter n. 136/1 of September 23rd.

The Chief of Cabinet
s/ C. Div. F. BASILINI

C.O.
Renzo Rocca

C O P Y

Translation

L.F.S.C. - A.C. - (M.M.I.A.) ROME
AQ/8 20 November 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel - Employed during leave.

To: the Ministry of War

- 1) When an Italian soldier is granted a leave, there are no objections to his getting a job during his leave. If for any reason whatever, he didn't present himself to his unit on the appointed day, he would be considered as deserter or absent and prosecuted as such.
- 2) Nevertheless, in his defence, the soldier has the right to prove and explain why he remained working instead of going back to his unit. The authority which is dealing with the case will take these proofs in consideration before deciding the degree of culpability of the soldier.

for Major General - M.M.I.A.

a/ Col Noakes

C.O.

Renzo Rocca

4458

Subject: Allied Employment of deserters and
illegal absentees from the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
AQ/11/3

H.E. Marshal MESSER, S.M.G.

30 Dec 44

1. Your n.106978/AV prot of 17 Dec has been passed to me for reply.
2. This matter is well known to both the Minister of War and MUIA. In fact we have been taking action for months past in removing soldiers so employed.
3. Instructions were issued by AAI last summer that the Allies are not to employ deserters from the Italian Army. Considering that soldiers have a civil identification card, it is obviously very difficult, if not impossible, for the Allies to know whether a man is a deserter or not, if in civilian clothes.
4. The matter of a soldier on leave working for the Allies was dealt with in my AQ/8 of Nov 20.
5. All Italian soldiers in uniform employed by the Allies should form part of an established Italian Division and be reported in the strength returns as such. Failure to do this is the fault of the Italian Commanders.
6. I will however represent the matter again to AEMQ.

L. Brown
Major General.
M.M.I.A.

4457

hh.

Copy to: H.E. The Minister of War (together with a copy of the letter referred to in para 1 above).

H.Q., A.C.

SECRET

COPY

Subject: Discipline and control of ITALIAN ARMY.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MIA)
LEQUIL (LECH)
G/6/1

22 Apr 44

A.A.I.

Copy to: Chief Commissioner, ACC.

1. GENERAL.

The discipline of the Italian Army is a matter of grave importance to the Allies and to the Italian Government not only now but also for post-war. The prestige and authority of the Italian Army must, therefore, be re-established by every means possible and as soon as possible in order that it may function properly. Major factors in this are that :-

- (a) Desertion and absenteeism from the Italian Army be reduced to the minimum
- (b) Unauthorised retention of Italian individuals by Allied Formations and Establishments be stopped.

2. TYPE OF CASE REPORTED.

Typical cases reported by the Italian General Staff allege that

- (a) Italian soldiers on leave are employed by Allied units or individuals and the employment is continued after the leave expires. In some cases the Italian soldier has stated that his Allied employer has refused to surrender the Italian soldier to the Italian officers who advised the Allied employer that the soldier was absent without leave.
- (b) Italian Medical Officers who returned to their homes on leave were retained there by A.M.G. officers to take care of the civilian population.
- (c) Italian deserters employed by Allied formations were recognised

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- (b) Italian Medical Officers who returned to their homes on leave were retained there by A.M.G. officers to take care of the civilian population.
- (c) Italian deserters employed by Allied formations were recognised by Italian officers and placed in jail awaiting return to their units; these deserters were removed from jail by Allied intelligence personnel at once, have not been returned to their units, and have disappeared.

3. ASPECTS.

- (a) It is well understood that many Italian soldiers will go to great lengths to remain attached to Allied formations on account of the better living conditions, rations etc. No doubt the interest of the Allied officers in these individuals is to some extent inspired by these Italian soldiers themselves.
- (b) Certain classes of Italian civilians are now being called or recalled to the Colours, either to fulfil Allied demands or to permit older men now in the Italian Army to be released from military duty.
- (c) In a country where the Army is founded on universal conscription there is always the danger that only those men without influence, power or money, will be required to serve in the Army.
- (d) The fact that many civilian now employed by the Allies will be exempted from the call-up on the certificate of the Allied employer increases the opportunity for certain Italians to evade the law, under the cloak of performing essential service for the Allies.
- (e) The retention by Allied officers of such individuals, or attempts to retain such individuals, is really tantamount to conspiring with the Italian deserters in their evasion of military duty.

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4. VERIFICATION OF REPORT.

The allegations cannot be verified largely owing to difficulties of Italian communications and lack of control, as mentioned above, but I am satisfied that there is some substance in these reports. I am informed, for instance, that there are some 5000 Italians being used as labour over the Combat Zone, of whom we have no details and who presumably should be organised and counted against the strength of 180,000 "units employed or to be employed by the Allies". (your SECRET 1605/50/3/1 & (S.D.1) dated 3 Apr).

5. CONCLUSION

(a) I fully realise that under the conditions existing to date the situation as outlined above was bound to have occurred. But I am strongly of opinion that the whole business should be "tidied up" forthwith.

(b) I therefore request that you will issue orders at an early date that :-

(i) All Allied officers at once examine all Italian personnel employed by them as "civilians" (i.e. not in authorised units) to ensure that all Italian officers and soldiers who are in fact absent without leave or in desertion are turned over at once to the Italian Army for return to their units.

(ii) Allied officers do not in future employ any Italian on any work until it is definitely established that such Italian is not a member of the Italian Army absent either with or without leave, or liable to recall.

(iii) Allied officers do not intervene with Italian authorities on behalf of Italian soldiers who have deserted or are absent from the Italian Army, in order to employ such soldiers or continue such absence.

(iv) A return be furnished forthwith (and thereafter monthly) to the Italian Government, through M.I.A. shewing :-

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(iv) A return be furnished fortnightly (and thereafter monthly) to the Italian Government, through M.A.I.A. showing :-

Numbers of Italians, not in authorised units, employed by the Allies.

Details in regard to each individual who has been given a certificate of exemption from military service by any Allied Formation.

I could then take action to organise all such personnel into units and ensure that the issue of rations etc does not exceed the ceiling proposed by you to A.F.H.Q. for approval of the U.C.S. This at present I cannot do.

(sgd) L. BROWNING.
Major General
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

SECRET

COPY

Subject: Discipline and Control of Italian Army.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
AAI/3074/A(O)

3 May 44

Army Sub Commission, ACC

Ref your C/6/1 dated 22 Apr 44.

1. I agree it is a matter of importance that the discipline, prestige and authority of the Italian Army should be re-established as soon as possible.

2. I have already sent out directives to all concerned regarding the employment of civilians who are illegal absentees or deserters, and have referred particularly to those who are affected by the calling-up of the 1920/24 classes.

3. You will appreciate that a considerable number of these Italians are at present engaged in skilled employment, and their continuance in such employment is of more value to the war effort than their transfer to the armed forces, quite apart from the disruption to work which would ensue as a result of these transfers.

4. Employing services have been instructed to apply for exemption in the case of these skilled men.

5. The continued employment of non-skilled illegal absentees is more difficult to detect, event with the willing co-operation of the employing unit. 4434

6. I consider that the following action should now be taken :-

(a) The Italian Military Authorities should publish a proclamation that all illegal absentees and deserters will immediately register with the nearest Italian Formation HQ or Regimental Depot by a given date, or incur certain penalties.

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4. Employing services have been instructed to apply for exemption in the case of these skilled men.

5. The continued employment of non-skilled illegal absentees is much more difficult to detect, even with the willing co-operation of the employing unit. 4454

6. I consider that the following action should now be taken :-

(a) The Italian Military Authorities should publish a proclamation that all illegal absentees and deserters will immediately register with the nearest Italian Formation HQ or Regimental Depot by a given date, or incur certain penalties.

(b) Such absentees and deserters should immediately be taken over by the Italian Military Authorities, unless they hold an exemption certificate authorising them to continue their present employment.

7. I will send a further directive to all concerned on these lines. Authority will be delegated to Armies and Districts to authorise exemption only in the case of skilled personnel, who continued employment is considered vitally or operationally necessary, provided such employment is within ME or has been specially authorised.

8. Before taking action I should like your views on para 6 (a) above.

(sgd) J. M. H. GIBSON
Major General
Chief Administrative Officer

C O P Y

Subject: Italian Army - Calling up of Classes.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
AAI/3074/A(O)
4 May 44

1. Ref this HQ 3110/A(O) dated 17 Mar and 3074/A(O) dated 20 Mar.
2. In order that the requirements of the Allied Forces of Italian Military personnel can be met it is essential that every available Italian liable for calling up under the classes referred to in the above quoted letters should be released.
3. It is also essential to the prestige, authority and morale of the Italian Army that the release of such personnel is not unnecessarily impeded by the units etc employing them. Authority for exemption granted under para 1 of the above quoted letter dated 20 Mar will, therefore, be limited to skilled personnel only whose continued employment is considered vitally or operationally necessary, and provided such employment is within War Establishment or has been specially authorized.

T. Welch Lt. Col.
for Major General.
Chief Administrative Officer.

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Main Eight Army
5 (US) Army
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5 Corps
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C in C Med.
HQ MAAF
HQ 2 AF

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- AMS POGGIA Province
- PILFOT List 'E' less Serials 12, 17, 22, 23, 40, 43, 44, 46, 49 and 50.

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| | A6 | Catering |
| | A7 | Coal Sec |
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| | Prints | DSFO |
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| | JAG | Cdn Sec. GHQ 1st Echelon |

- Copies to:
- AFHQ G01(Br)
 - Force 133
 - ACC (6)
 - IBS
 - War Diary

C O P Y

S E C R E T

Subject: Discipline and Control of the Italian Army.

Army Sub Commission, ACC.
Main HQ (MMA)
Lequile (LECCO)
G/6/1

9 May 44

H.Q.A.A.I.

1. Your AAI/3074/A(O) dated 3 and 4 May meets my wishes entirely.
2. I appreciate that vital skilled personnel must be exempted; and note that you have already instructed employing services to apply for, while limiting to essentials, such exemptions.
3. (a) The Ministry of War published a Proclamation such as you refer to in your para 6, a month ago. They have been "picking up" 4422 deserters ever since.
(b) The M of W are in process of producing a further Proclamation, whereby deserters and absentees will be decreed to be offending "in the face of the enemy".
4. I am glad to note the contents of your para 7. I should be grateful if lists of "exempts" could be forwarded to this HQ, for onward transmission to M of W and S.M.K.E., to enable these latter to make up their records. I take it that, in view of what I say above, you will issue your further directive at once. I would urge that in this directive you stress that the Carabinieri are to be given every assistance in their enquiries and examinations, for I feel that it is the real way we will track down the non-skilled illegal

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5. I would like to ask if the Allied Air Force authorities in the FOGLIA area re controlled by you. I am not clear on this point. Your directive should obviously apply in that area also; otherwise there will be a sanctuary in which all deserters and absentees can take refuge.

(sgd) L. BROWNING
Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm ACC.

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MEMIA

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RESTRICTED

FOR MEMIA LO (.) REF AQ2353 OF 11 DEC (.) PLEASE REPORT IF
S/TEN DE MEO HAS NOW REPORTED TO HIS UNIT 9 G.T. REGT ITALIAN

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See Folio 89

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Arthur Gyor.

+ 103 and packet.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject: - Absentees and Deserters

SECRET

(85/1)

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP

Tel: - FILFOT 226

3149/13/A(O)

29 Dec 44.

MEIA

Copy: - 50 BLU ref A/1/19 dated 27 Dec 44

1. Attached is nominal roll of absentees and deserters from FRIULI Group, for periods 1 - 10 Nov and 1 - 24 Dec 44, received from 50 BLU.
2. It is requested that urgent and strong action be taken to apprehend as many of these personnel as possible.

TDG/VRT

Brigadier,
DA & QMG.

4450

4800

Copy Recd Safely
to all 4 Spec. Sec.
2/Jan

See Folio 141
and jacket

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 281700A

TO MMIA

QQX GR--- BT

AQ 11/3

HEADQUARTERS
30 DEC 1944
A. C.

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AQ28. RESTRICTED. REF YOUR AQ2353 OF 13DEC.

CCRR WILL ESCORT DE MEO BACK TOMORROW 29DEC.

WALTERS HAS BEEN WARNED. WILL REPORT CONCLUSION

BT 281700A

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~~CEPTN NR 315 LROE 54 CRR AQ28~~

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref: 8252/32/COS.

Ext: 388.

28 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

I am directed by the Chief of Staff to refer to his memorandum 8252/30/COS of 21 December on the above subject, and to say that this Office has not had any notification of the action you have taken in the matter.

Copy to: SO to CO.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

44'8

See Folio 94

Subject: Absentees CREMONA GRUPPO

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AG (MMIA)
Rome
AQ/11/3
22 December 1944

To : 51 BLU

Reference your A 6/1 of 17 Dec 1944

1. Note attached copy of letter to AFHQ.
2. Please advise if these two soldiers are returned. 44:7

CPK/lak

1 Incl: MMIA ltr to AFHQ
dated 24 Dec 44.

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

See Folio 129
2nd part

Subject: Absentees CREMONA GRUPPO

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
AQ/11/3
December 1944

To : AFHQ (2)

Copy to: 51 BLU

1. It is reported by 51 BLU that the following Italian soldiers of the Cremona Gruppo, while on leave, have been employed by Allied units as shown:

- (a) Tpr ANATRIELLO Domenico
21 Inf Regt
Home Address CRISPANO
Employed by 117th Q M Bn Mobile APO 782 U S Army
- (b) Artymen TUCCI Antonio
7 Arty Regt
Home Address FOGGIA
Employed by HQ Army Air Force Service Comd, Med
Theater of Operations.

44:6

2. Copies of the documents given to these soldiers by Allied officers are attached.

3. It is evidently not understood that exemptions from military service are not granted serving soldiers, and no effort was made by the Allied officers concerned to ascertain the status of these men.

4. Request that these two soldiers be delivered to 51 BLU by the Allied officers who are now employing them.

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

CPK/lak

2 Incls:
Certificate, Hq 117th QM BN
Certificate, Hq AAPSC

See Folio 116 2nd packet
145-
182/2 2nd packet

Copy Trans lation

HEADQUARTERS
117th QM BN MOBILE APO 782
U S ARMY

We inform you that ANATRIELLO DOMENICO is working at this
camp as supervisor.

His exemption papers have been requested.

THE COMMANDING COLONEL
/s/ Carlo N. Mayo

4455

C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

NOV 7 1944
(Date)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

This is to certify that the bearer, Antonio TUGGI, is employed by this command. He has been granted a temporary draft exemption by the authority vested in us by Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy. Request for further draft exemption has been forwarded to Colonel Negrozi, Italian Liaison Officer.

EDWARD W. BASTAR
1st Lt Air Corps
Civilian Pers Off

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Subject:- Absentee - Italian Army

201 Sub Area
Pro 3/175
26 Dec 44

AA 11/3
27/12

MMIA

The attached report and body receipt is forwarded
for your information.

JGR/rah

Sent who so Bev
JPA
20/12

[Signature]

Capt.
DAFM.
(J G Rutterford).

See folio 4422

Subject:- Deserter.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.,
A.C., (MMIA).,
c/o HQ., I District.
Ref. IO/GI5.

23 December 44.

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

Reference your AQ/II/3 of 21 December.

I. No reply has been received regarding this deserter.

J.A. Bourne
Capt.
MMIA., IO., I District.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject: Absentees from Italian Army

Lt Forces Sub Comm A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME

AQ 11/3
28/12

79
3 District,
Ext 17
354/1A,
23 Dec 44

Fante BAILICATA Ciro fu Antonio (1915)
45 Inf Regt

Ref your AQ/11/3 of 27 Nov 44. — 43

Enquiries have been made of all units employing Italian labour by GC NOLA but no trace has been found of the above named man.

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2/12
17/12/44
EHS/RM

Sumary
17/12/44
Maj. Gen.
Comd.

HA 11/3 (78)

MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA

Date - Time

To : 50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU

23 1447. A

Copy for S.C. 'A'

SS 494

Security
Classification CONFIDENTIAL

Subject absentees from Combat Groups (.) FIRST (.) Following information required for month of November by signal earliest (.) (A) numbers absent without leave (B) numbers overstayed leave (C) numbers of A since returned (D) numbers of B since returned (E) numbers ANOL at present time (.) SECOND (.) Similar information required for December when available

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Precedence IMPORTANT

Authenticating
Officer

W.P. Darby Colonel

PH
26/12

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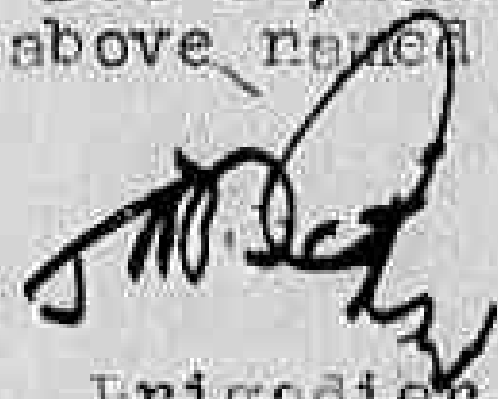
SUBJECT:- Deserters Italian Army.

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

DI MATEO Francisco di Ruggero
Combattimento Gruppo Folgore

With reference to your AQ/11/3 dated 3 Dec 44, 1019
Port Maintenance Coy., R.E. state that the above named
man has never been employed by them.

C. M. F.
22 Dec 44.
HP.

Ad 11/3
49 27/12

Brigadier,
Commander, 54 Area.

4428

Subject:- Italian Army - Deserters.

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

W.O.W.E.

19/11/3

22 Dec 46.

MINISTRY OF W.B.

Sold. PERI Giorgio.

Ref. your 304943/2/DA of 22 Nov/44.

H.Q. R.A.A.C. have informed this H.Q. that the above
named Deserter has been arrested and handed over to G.H.Q.
S.V.B.E.

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S.P. Archer Capt

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

SP/ab

(145)

75 also refers

Capl E. O. DONNELL

M.M.I.A. L.O.

TRAN

76/2

c/o Ssgt BARRETTA.

TC/27

21 Dec 1961

Headquarters Sub Group A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) Rome

~~86/2~~ A2 11/3

86/2

Abandoned - Abandoned Call-up

1. Herein, nominal roll of personnel from ABRUZZI Call-up who are now out since arriving at this Centre.
2. These men have taken with them blankets and in some cases, clothing issued to them on their arrival here.

38/1 - Link sent to HQ to have men apprehended.
SPN
2/1

E O Donnell, 4486
Capt

Lu Folio 95

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

Ext: 388.

21 December 1944.

Ref: 8252/30/GCS

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission.

1. The attached translations and originals of correspondence received in the Chief Commissioner's Office are forwarded for your action.
2. Will you please take the matter up with AFHQ and, in the meantime, send interim reply to General Messe on behalf of the Chief Commissioner, with a copy to this Office.

Encls.

Copy to: SO to CC.

Edwin May
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Lee Folio
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Translation

The Chief of Staff
n. 106978/AV prot
5 enclosures

P.M.3800, 17 December 1944

Dear Admiral,

the General Staff has been informed that pretty often, Italian soldiers who have left arbitrarily their units have been taken for service by Allied military authorities without the previous authorization of the Italian commands from which these soldiers depend.

The Italian commands are therefore unable to take proceedings against the said soldiers for their desertion.

The Italian Ministries have informed the competent Allied sub-Commissions which showed comprehension and interest about this problem.

I enclose a copy of letter n. 1086 and of letter 1087 of November 7th of the Ministry of Marine and a copy of letter A.Q. 8, of November 20, of M.M.I.A.

In spite of these communications and of the action taken by the Allied authorities, there are still cases of Italian soldiers, in regular service, being detained by the allied commands, in contrast to the present regulations

Considering this and the need to regularise the matter uniformly, in the interest of the discipline and efficiency of the Italian Army Force, I shall be most grateful to you, my dear Admiral, if you could intervene by the Allied Commands and see that they don't take Italian soldiers who have service duties to fulfill.

Truly yours,

s/ The Marshal of Italy
Chief of Staff
G. Messe

4434

ADMIRAL ELLERY W. STONE
CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION

trans. e.c.

Translation

C o p y

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

n. 1086/FO

AL F.O.L.I.

ROME

SUBJECT: Deserters of the R. Navy working as civilians for the Allied
Military Authorities.

1. - The cases mentioned in the letters n. 36/2a of October 2nd (ZERLO-CAPRIATTI) and n. 394 of the 13th of the same month (STRULA) have been examined and orders have been given to avoid arresting preventively the military deserters employed by the organizations depending from the Allied Army Force.
2. - Nevertheless, we must again draw the attention of the F.O.L.I. on the very serious consequences of these admittances for our Army Force, for the soldiers are getting convinced that the Allies grant immunity to those who are guilty of this very serious offence.
3. - Assurances have been given by various Allied Authorities; the F.O.T.A. of Taranto sent the Admiral Commander in Chief of the Jonio Department and South Adriatic the enclosed letter (copy); but as a matter of fact, the incidents we complain of go on and become more frequent.
4. - In another note, that we enclose too, are mentioned the latest cases concerning the failure to fulfil the engagements taken about these urgent decisions, in relation to letter 36/1 of September 23rd, sent by this F.O.L.I. to the General Staff of the R. Navy.

THE MINISTER
s/ de Courten

c. o.

/s/ Renzo Rocca

4400

Translation

C O P Y

Rome, 7 December 1944

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

To F.O.L.I.

Rome

n. 1087/FO

SUBJECT: Artilleryman LO RISO Pasquale, n. 95343, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) in 1919, living there, Corso Umberto I.

1. - Reference today's letter 1086/FO of this U.G.
2. - Gunner LO RISO Pasquale, n. 95343, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) in 1919, living there, Corso Umberto I, unlawfully left the Depot C.R.E.M. of Taranto on June 1st; has been denounced to the Military Tribunal of this town on September 30th.
3. - The Arm of the ~~GA~~.RR. of Manfredonia that had been entrusted with the researches communicated that LO RISO is working for the Allied Military Command of this city that declared he was indispensable, exempting him from presenting himself to the Italian Military Authorities.
4. - We are waiting for the decisions of this Office, according to the last part of your letter n. L/36/1 of September 23rd.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET
s/ C. di V.F. BASLINI

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c.o. e/ Renzo Rocca

Translation

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Ministry of Marine
Cabinet

Rome, 7 December 1944

n. 1087/FO

To F.O.L.I.

R o m e

SUBJECT: Gunner O. TROIANO Pasquale, n. 18040, class 1920

- 1/ Reference your letter of today, 1086/FO from this U.G.
- 2/ The gunner O. TROIANO Pasquale, n. 18040, class 1920 was sent on leave by his Command (R. Iner. Duca degli Abruzzi), for a fortnight to Manfredonia (Foggia), with the order to be back on board on June 11th.
- 3/ TROIANO being guilty of the offence of desertion, the C.C. R.R. of Manfredonia have been asked to see that he was brought on board.
- 4/ The Arm itself communicated that the gunner was working for the Allied Authorities, which didn't allow his being taken away.
- 5/ We are waiting for the decisions of this office, according to the last part of your letter 1.36/1 of September 23rd.

THE CHIEF OF CABINET

s/ C. DI V. F. BASLINI

c. o.
Renzo Rocca

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Translation

C o p y

Ministry of Marine
Cabinet
n. 1087/FO

Rome, 7 December 1944

To P.O.L.I. R o m e

SUBJECT: Sailor MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, n. 33693, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) on March 1st 1920, living there in Corso Roma, 104.

- 1) Reference your letter today 1086/FO of this U.G.
- 2) The sailor MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, n. 33693, born in Manfredonia (Foggia) on March 1st 1920, living there, Corso Roma, 104, was sent by his Command (R. Navy Buffoluto Detachment - Taranto), for 9 days to Manfredonia on November 22nd, 1943.
- 3) As he didn't come back, to his corps, he was said to have deserted.
- 4) The Arm of the CC.RR. which was entrusted with the researches, communicated that MARASCO was working for the "llies and that the local A.M.G. didn't allow him to leave his work.
- 5) Required to intervene by the local Allied Command, the Arm of the RR.CC. sent the following declaration to the Command of the Detachment of the R. Navy of Buffoluto:

HEADQUARTERS
AIR FORCES ORDNANCE DEPOT/8

Date 18 October 1944

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Subject: Deferment of Italian Civilians.
To : Whom it may concern.

This is to certify that Matteo Marasco di Ciro is now employed as an ammunition specialist by AFOD/8, and that his work is necessary to Allied War Effort; therefore, we do not consent to his release.

For the Commanding Officer:

s/ Willard F. Stewart,
1st Lt. Ord. Dept.,
Adjutant.

- 6) We are waiting for the decisions of this office according to the last part of your letter n.L 36/1 of September 23rd.

The Chief of Cabinet
s/c. div. F. BASLINI

c. o.
Renzo Rocca

Translation

C o p y

L.F.S.C. - A.C. - (M.M.I.A.) ROME
A2/8 20 November 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Military Personnel - Employed during leave.

To the Ministry of War

- 1) When an Italian soldier is granted a leave, there are no objections to his getting a job during his leave. If for any reason whatever, he didn't present himself to his unit on the appointed day, he would be considered as deserter or absent and prosecuted as such.
- 2) Nevertheless, in his defence, the soldier has the right to prove and explain why he remained working instead of going back to his unit. The authority which is dealing with the case will take these proofs in consideration before deciding the degree of culpability of the soldier.

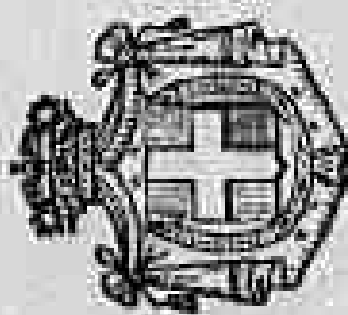
for MAJOR GENERAL - M.M.I.A.

s/ Col Noakes

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c. o.

Renzo Rocca



IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

n. 106948 / HV di prot.

Allegati n. 5.

Caro Ammiraglio,

è stato segnalato allo Stato Maggiore Generale che con una certa frequenza militari italiani allontanatisi arbitrariamente dai reparti vengono assunti direttamente in servizio da autorità militari alleate senza il preventivo benestare da parte dei comandi italiani dai quali i militari dipendono.

Resta in tale modo elusa la possibilità da parte dei comandi italiani competenti di procedere penalmente a carico di detti militari per il reato di diserzione da essi commesso.

Numerosi passi in proposito sono stati fatti dai Ministeri militari italiani presso le competenti sottocommissioni alleate che hanno dimostrato comprensione e interessamento per tale problema.

Allego a tale fine copia delle lettere n. 1086 e 1087, in data 7 novembre corrente anno, del Ministero della Marina, nonché copia della lettera A.Q. 8, in data 20 novembre, della M.M.I.A.

Malgrado tali segnalazioni e i provvedimenti presi al riguardo

DEC 18 1944

P.M. 3800, 11 / 12 dicembre 1944

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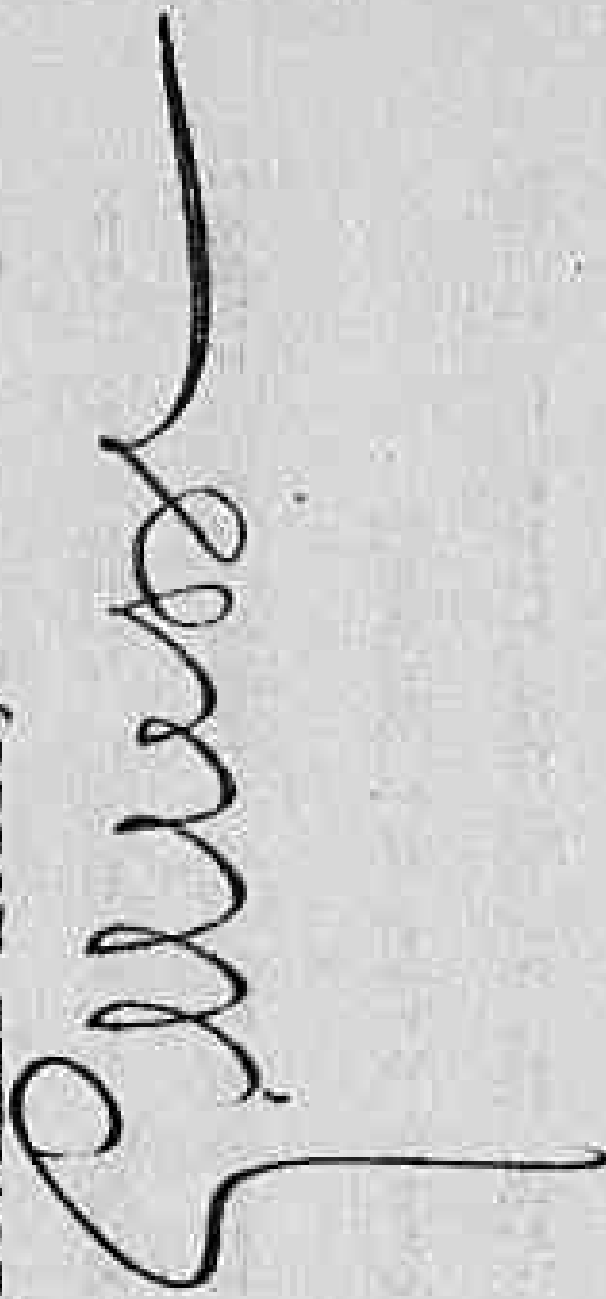
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In considerazione di quanto sopra e della necessità di addì venire ad una regolarizzazione uniforme in materia, nell'interesse della disciplina e dell'efficienza delle FF.AA. italiane, le sarei grato, caro Ammiraglio, se vorrà interporre i suoi buoni uffici af-

finchè i comandi militari alleati si astengono dall'assumere direttamente in servizio militari italiani i quali devono adempiere a precisi obblighi di servizio.

Con viva cordialità

IL MARESCIALLO D'ITALIA
CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE
(Giovanni Messe)



All'Ammiraglio U S N R

Ellery W. STONE

Commissario Capo della Commissione Alleata

A.P.O. 394

c o p i a

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

gabinetto

Prot.n° 1086/FO

AL F.O.L.I.

R O M A

Roma, 7 dicembre 1944

all. n° 1 al F. 10698 d. 17-12-44
dallo Stato Maggiore Generale

ARGOMENTO: Disertori della R.Marina occupati in qualità di civili in lavori per conto delle Autorità Militari Alleate.

1. - I casi segnalati con le lettere n. 36/2a del 2 ottobre (ZERIO - CAPRIATTI) e n. 394 del 13 stesso mese (STRULA) sono stati subito presi in attento esame e conseguenti disposizioni sono state date perchè si eviti di procedere all'arresto preventivo dei militari disertori impiegati presso le organizzazioni dipendenti dalle FF.AA. Alleate.
2. - Non ci si può tuttavia esimere dal richiamare ancora una volta l'attenzione di codesto F.O.L.I. sulle gravissime conseguenze che, da tali assunzioni, derivano alla compagine delle nostre FF.AA. per la convinzione che va sempre più facendosi strada di una immunità accordata dagli Alleati ai colpevoli di sì grave reato.
3. - Molte assicurazioni sono state date in proposito da varie Autorità Alleate; il F.O.L.I. di Taranto ha inviato all'Ammiraglio Comandante in Capo del Dipartimento dello Jonio e del Basso Adriatico la lettera che si unisce in copia; ma, in pratica, continuano a verificarsi e si accentuano gli inconvenienti dianzi lamentati.
4. - Con separate note, anch'esse qui allegate, si segnalano, in relazione alla lettera n. 36/1 in data 23 settembre diretta da codesto F.O.L.I. allo Stato Maggiore della R.Marina, i

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P. C. C.
il maggiore capo ufficio
(Renzo Rocca)



I L M I N I S T R O
P/to de Courten

4427

Renzo Rocca

c o p i a

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

Roma, 7 dicembre 1944

Gabinetto

Prot.n. 1087/FO

AL F.O.L.I.

R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Cann. LO RISO Pasquale matricola 95343, nato a Manfredonia (Foggia) nel 1919, ivi residente Corso Umberto I.-

1. - Si fa riferimento alla lettera odierna 1086/FO di questo U.S.
2. - Il Cann. LO RISO Pasquale matr. 95343, nato a Manfredonia (Foggia) nel 1919, ivi residente, Corso Umberto I, assentatosi illegalmente dal Deposito C.R.E.M. di Taranto il 1° giugno u.s. è stato denunciato al Tribunale Militare di quella sede il 30 settembre u.s.
3. - L'Arma dei CC.RR. di Manfredonia incaricata delle ricerche ha comunicato che il LO RISO è impiegato al lavoro alle dipendenze del Comando Militare Alleato di quella Città che lo ha dichiarato indispensabile essentandolo anche dal presentarsi alle Autorità Militari Italiane.
4. - Si resta in attesa di conoscere le decisioni di codesto Ufficio a

all. 2 al n° 106978 del 17-12-44
dello Stato Maggiore Generale

1. - Si fa riferimento alla lettera chierma 1086/TO di questo U.G.
2. - Il Cann. LO RISO Pasquale matr. 95343, nato a Manfredonia (Foggia) nel 1919, ivi residente, Corso Umberto I, assentatosi illegalmente dal Deposito C.R.E.M. di Taranto il 1° giugno u.s. è stato denunciato al Tribunale Militare di quella sede il 30 settembre u.s.
3. - L'Arma dei CC.RR. di Manfredonia incaricata delle ricerche ha comunicato che il LO RISO è impiegato al lavoro alle dipendenze del 442° Comando Militare Alleato di quella Città che lo ha dichiarato indispensabile esentandolo anche dal presentarsi alle Autorità Militari Italiane.
4. - Si resta in attesa di conoscere le decisioni di codesto Ufficio a norma dell'ultima parte della sua lettera n. I/36/1 in data 23 settembre u.s.

IL CAPO DI CABINETTO
P/ro C. di V. F. BASLINI

F. C. C.
Maggiore capo ufficio
(Renzo Rocca)



Renzo Rocca

c o p i a

all. n° 106978 del 17-12-44
dello Stato Maggiore Generale

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA

Gabinetto

Roma, 7 dicembre 1944

Prot.n. 1087/FO.

AL F.O.I.I. R O M A

ARGOMENTO: Cann. O. TROIANO Pasquale matricola 18040, della classe 1920.-

1. - Si fa riferimento alla lettera odierna 1086/FO di questo U.S.
2. - Il Cann. O. TROIANO Pasquale matricola 18040 della classe 1920 venne dal suo Comando (R. Incr. Duca degli Abruzzi) inviato in licenza di giorni 15 a Manfredonia (Foggia) con l'obbligo di rientrare a bordo il 14 giugno u.s.
3. - Essendo il TROIANO incorso nel reato di diserzione i CC.RR. di Manfredonia sono stati interessati a curarne la sua traduzione a bordo. 442
4. - L'Arma stessa ha però comunicato che il militare era ingaggiato in lavori interessanti le Autorità Alleate e che queste non ne hanno consentito l'allontanamento.
5. - Si resta in attesa di conoscere le decisioni di codesto Ufficio a norma dell'ultima parte della sua lettera n. L.36/1 in data 23 settembre u.s.-

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IL CAPO DI CABINETTO
P/to C. di V.F.BASLINI

p. c. c.
il maggiore capo ufficio
(Renzo Rocca)



all. n° al F° 106988 17 12-44
dello Stato Maggiore Generale

MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
Gabinetto

Roma, 7 dicembre 1944

Prot. n° 1087/FO

AL F. O. L. I. ROMA

ARGOMENTO: Marinaio MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, matricola 33693, nato a Manfredonia (Foggia) il 1° marzo 1920 - ivi residente Corso Roma, 104.-

1. - Si fa riferimento alla lettera odierna 1086/FO di questo U.F.
2. - Il marinaio MARASCO Matteo di Ciro, matricola 33693, nato a Manfredonia (Foggia) il 1° marzo 1920, ivi residente, Corso Roma 104, venne dal suo Comando (Distaccamento R. Marina Buffoluto - Taranto) inviato in licenza di giorni 9 a Manfredonia il 22 novembre 1943.
3. - Non avendo fatto ritorno al corpo fu dichiarato disertore.
4. - L'Arma dei CC.RR. di Manfredonia, incaricata delle ricerche, comunicava che il MARASCO era stato impiegato dagli Alleati e che la locale A.M.G. non permetteva il suo allontanamento dal lavoro.
5. - Richiesta di intervenire presso il locale Comando alleato, l'Arma dei CC.RR. faceva pervenire al Comando del Distaccamento R. Marina di Buffoluto la seguente dichiarazione:

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Roma, 104.-

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5. - Richiesta di intervenire presso il locale Comando alleato, l'Arma dei CC.RR. faceva pervenire al Comando del Distaccamento R. Marina di Buffoluto la seguente dichiarazione :

HEADQUARTERS
AIR FORCES OBDMANCE DEPOT /8

Data 18 October 1944

Subject: Deferment of Italian Civilians.
To : Whom It May Concern.

This is to certify that Matteo Marasco di Ciro is now employed as an ammunition specialist by AFOD/8, and that his work is necessary to Allied War Effort; therefore we do not consent to his release.

For the Commanding Officer:

F/to Willard F. Stewart,
1st. Lt. Ord. Dept.,
Adjutant.

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c o p i a

all. 5 al n° 106988 del 13-12-44
dello Stato Maggiore Generale

L.F.S.C. - A.C. - (M.M.I.A.) ROMA

AQ/8 ----- 20 novembre 1944

OGGETTO: Personale militare italiano - Impiegato durante le licenze.-

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

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1. Quando ad un soldato italiano è concessa una licenza, non vi è certo alcuna obiezione a che egli possa ottenere un impiego durante la licenza. Se, per qualsiasi ragione, esso non si ripresentasse al suo reparto al termine stabilito, egli dovrà essere considerato come disertore o assente e perseguito come tale.
2. Il soldato però ha diritto nella sua difesa di addurre prove a dimostrazione del motivo per il quale è rimasto impiegato invece di tornare al suo reparto. L'autorità di fronte alla quale il caso viene trattato prenderà in considerazione queste prove prima di decidere il grado di colpevolezza del soldato.-

P. IL MAGGIORE GENERALE - M.M.I.A.  
P/to Col. NOAKES

MAGGIORE GEN  
P. C. C.



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F/to COL. NOAKES



P. C. C.  
il maggiore capo ufficio  
(Renzo Rocca)

*Renzo Rocca*

Subject:- Deserters - Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
R O M E  
12/11/3

21. Dec 44.

M.M.I.A. L.O.  
H.Q. 1 District  
C.M.F.

Ref. your 10/G-15 of 11 Dec/44.

Will you please say whether you have received a reply  
to the above quoted letter.

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*SPM*  
*for*  
F.J. ROAKES, Col,  
D.A. & QMG,  
M.M.I.A.

SPM/ab

(59/1)

*Lee Yohio*



HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
APO 794 US ARMY

Ref: 32A5

Subject: Italian Deserters -  
Sold. Perri Giorgio

20 Dec 44

Land Forces Sub-Comm A.C.  
M.M.I.A.  
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Ref your AQ/11/3 dated 25 Nov 44.

It is confirmed that the above named deserter has been arrested  
by civil police attached and handed to GHQ, S.M.R.E.

BVW/ag

A.L. LOUDEN  
Major  
for Brigadier  
Commander British Troops Rome

See Folio 77

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From : Air Forces Sub Commission, AC. Rome  
To : Land Forces Sub Commission, HQ AC. (MMIA)  
Date : 20th December 1944  
Ref. : AFSC/R/7/1/AIR.

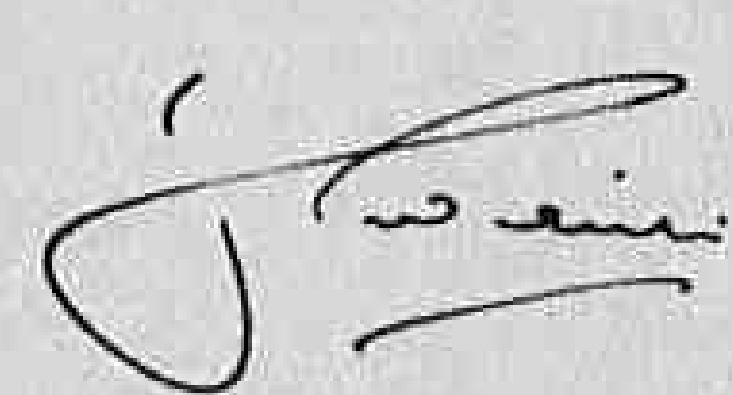
Ace 11/3

CORPORAL CIANCI FRANCESCO

21/12

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With reference to your AQ/11/3 dated 3rd December,  
herewith copy of letter received from Italian Air Ministry  
in respect of above.



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J.G. WHITE, F/LT,

AIR VICE MARSHAL,

AIR OFFICER COMMANDING.

See also Folio 46/1



FROM : ITALIAN AIR MINISTRY  
DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL

TO : A.F.S.C. ROME

DATE : 18th December 1944

REF. : 2/5678/AM-4/1248 Coll.

CORPORAL CIANGI FRANCESCO.

(Through Italian Air Ministry - Cabinet - Liaison Office -  
with reference letter n.1165/Coll. of the 11/12/1944)

With reference to letter AFSC/R/7/1/AIR of the 8th inst.  
it is informed that the undermentioned airman it is not at  
present on the strength of the I.A.F.

for IL MINISTRO  
IL DIRETTORE  
(Gen.A. Agnesi)

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
R. C. M. B.  
AQ/11/3

MINISTRY OF WAR.

19 Dec 44.

Ref. your 306051/2/3 of 8 Dec/44.

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1. The O.C. No. 4 C.B.U. has now informed this H.Q. that he is not able to give any further information in respect of the Italian Soldiers mentioned in this H.Q. letter AQ/11/3 of 31 Oct, as he only has the nominal roll from which the names were taken.

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2. It is pointed out, however that the second name should be ACNIFORA and not ACNIFORE as previously reported.

P.J. ROBERTS, Col,  
for Major General,  
M.M.I.A.

SPA/ab

(52/3)

See Folio 67/3



Subject :- Absentees - CREMONA GRUPPO

HQ MMIA

51 British Liaison Unit

A 6/1

A Rear 10 Corps

1 Ref this office letter A 6/1 dated 17 Dec 44 concerning the employment of two soldiers of CREMONA GRUPPO by U S Army Units, the following are details of another man employed by an Allied Unit

(a) Tpr AMANTERA Giuseppe  
21 Inf Regt

(b) Discharged Mil Hospital, NAPLES, on 20 Oct 44 and now believed to be working for 16 Base Wcsps RME F Sec

2 Will you please intervene and instruct the unit concerned to have this man returned to his Regt forthwith.

3 Information concerning this case was submitted to the GRUPPO by HQ CC RR POGGIOMARINO, NAPLES.

Field  
8 Dec 44  
RWI/RGT

Major  
DAA & QMG

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET - FIFTH ARMY

FROM: G-4 Rear FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SUSPEND DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Italian Absentees

*del 11/3*  
*m/w* RCV/jad

| Ind No. | From                                                | To               | Date           |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|         | <del>xxxx</del><br><del>xxxx</del><br>Sr<br>MMIA LO | LFSCAC<br>(MMIA) | 18 Dec<br>1944 |

For your information and necessary action.

*R.C. Van Kirk*  
R.C. VAN KIRK,  
Major, Infantry,  
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,  
5th Army

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*See Folio III 2nd packet.*

*LO 5 Army (copy of the original)  
with the original of the original  
with the original of the original  
12/11.*



*To [unclear]*  
Subject:- Absentees - Ital. Mil. Personnel.

British Increment (Lab Branch)  
Rear HQ Fifth Army,  
CMF.

Phone No. Lightning Rear 159

27/LAB.

26 Nov 44.

M.M.I.A., L.O.

1. It is believed that a large number of absentees from Ital. Pnr. Coys. are living at their homes in villages etc. recently liberated by the Allied Armies.
2. It is understood that the tracing of these deserters to their homes by the Carabinieri is practicable, but the machinery for returning the men either to their Units or to a Reinforcements Depot breaks down here owing to lack of feeding and tpt difficulties.
3. It is suggested that a policy granting the Carabinieri the right to request Allied facilities to transport any deserters they may trace to the nearest Ital. Headquarters would greatly ease the present drain on labour resources in all areas,

MET/PAL.

*[Signature]*  
Capt.,  
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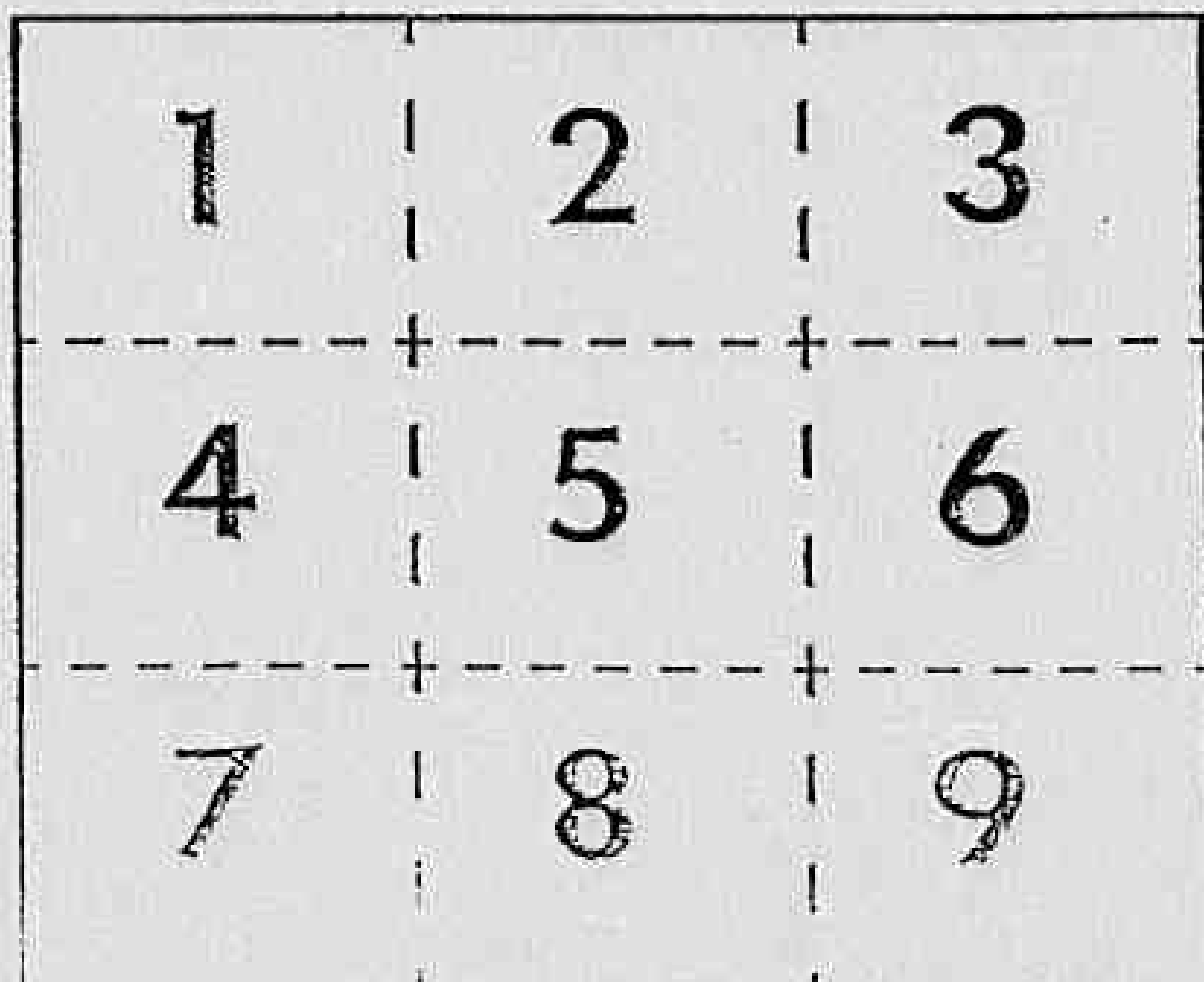
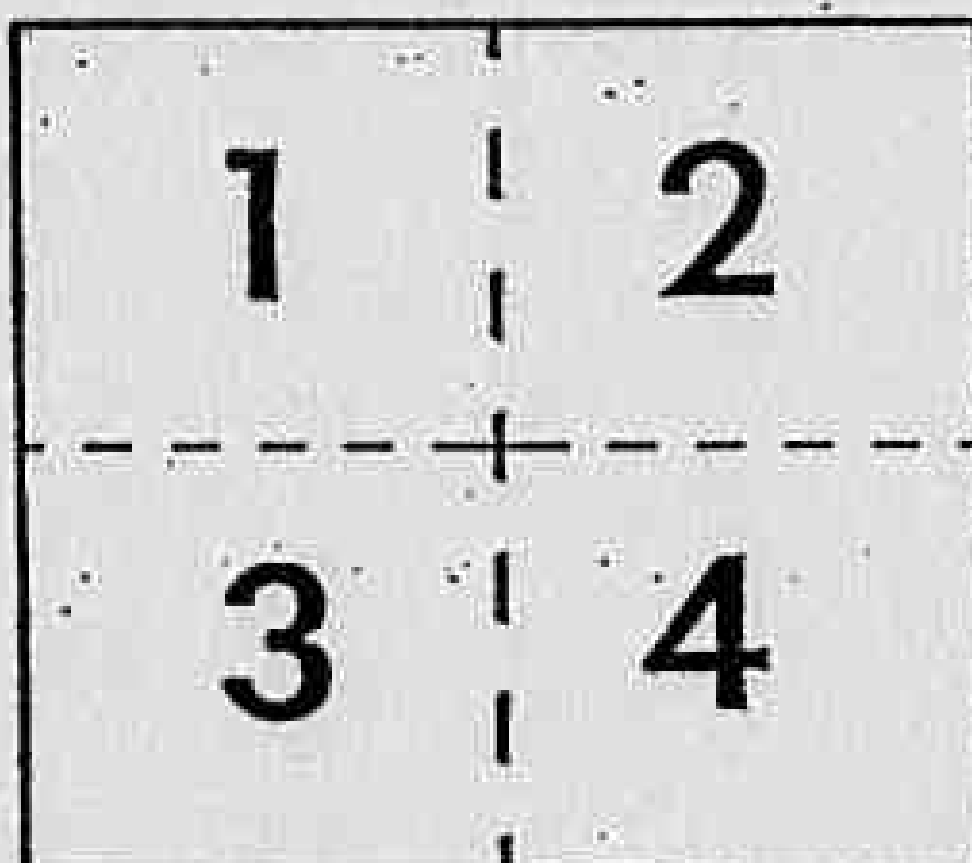
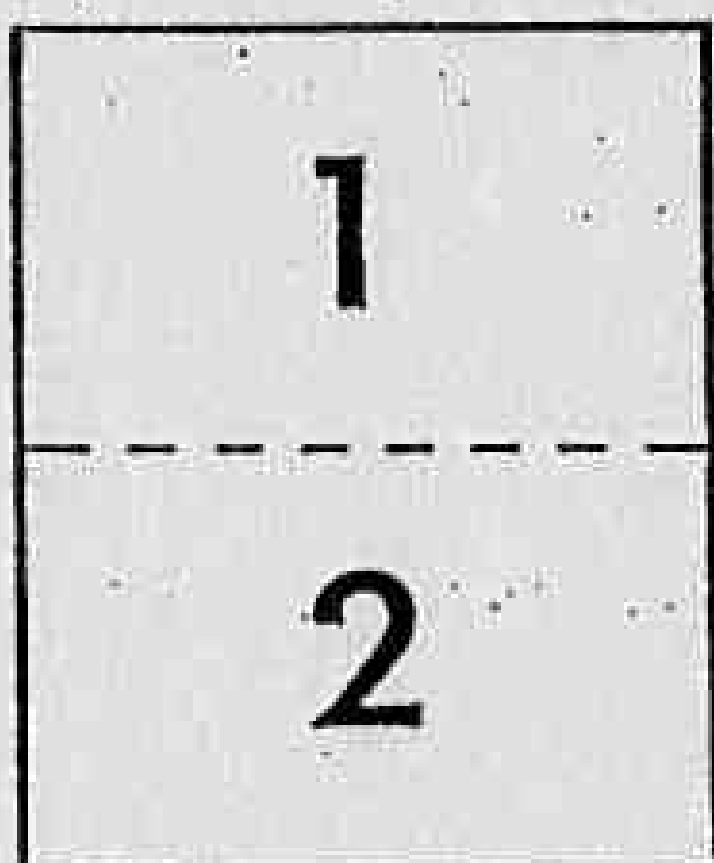
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Comando Gruppo di Combattimento "FRIULI"

UFFICIO DEL CAPO DI COMPAGNIA MAGGIORE

2. SEZIONE PERSONALE E SEGRETERIA

ELENCO nominativo militari assentatisi arbitrariamente dai reparti o di novembre.-

| Numero<br>di<br>ordine  | Reparto                  | Grado    | Cognome e Nome |           | Res          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------------|-----------|--------------|
| 87° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA |                          |          |                |           |              |
| 1                       | Cp.cann.da 6 lib.        | fante    | BIA            | Paolo     | Madugno (Bar |
| 2                       | "                        | "        | LOPIS          | Mario     | Margherita   |
| 3                       | "                        | "        | PRETEROTI      | Vincenzo  | Sessa Aulun  |
| 4                       | Cp.cann.da 8 lib.        | "        | FRANZESE       | Generoso  | Cimila-Via   |
| 5                       | Cp.mortai da 76          | "        | LELLI          | Gastone   | labria       |
| 6                       | "                        | "        | BRANDO         | Rocco     | Fertilia-Co  |
| 7                       | "                        | "        | SALADINO       | Vincenzo  | (Aversa)     |
| 8                       | "                        | "        | MURACA         | Giuseppe  | Empoli-Via   |
| 9                       | 1 <sup>a</sup> Compagnia | "        | BENISCIO       | Umberto   | Nicastro-Vi  |
| 10                      | "                        | "        | CAPUTO         | Giovanni  | tanzaro).    |
| 11                      | "                        | "        | VINCIGUERRA    | Antonio   | Bella-Nicas  |
| 12                      | "                        | "        | DE CARLO       | Pietro    | Nicasteo(Ca  |
| 13                      | "                        | "        | SANTINI        | Alfiero   | pre 13       |
| 14                      | "                        | cap.le   | ZACCARELLI     | Nello     | Pozzano (Le  |
| 15                      | 2 <sup>a</sup>           | fante    | CIARDI         | Antonio   | Melissano (  |
| 16                      | "                        | "        | MAZZETTA       | Pasquale  | Alerio (Lec  |
| 17                      | "                        | "        | EMANUELE       | Antonio   | Strudà (Lec  |
| 18                      | "                        | "        | DE CICCIO      | Francesco | Castelfidar  |
| 19                      | "                        | "        | TABARRINI      | Antonio   | Borgo Pio n  |
| 20                      | 3 <sup>a</sup>           | sergente | PASCIUTI       | Alfonso   | Napoli - Vi  |
| 21                      | "                        | fante    | BARBERA        | Domenico  | Cristallini  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | Monteroso (  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | S.Chirico R  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | Monteroso (  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | Pela Crocet  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | no (Siena)   |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | Lacedonia Vi |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | 212 (Avelli  |
|                         |                          |          |                |           | Fimefreddo   |



Comando Gruppo di Combattimento "PRULI",

UFFICIO DEL CAPO DI COMPAGNIA

2. SEZIONE PERSONALE E SEGRETERIA

Assentatisi arbitrariamente dai reparti o non rientrati da licenza, nel mese

| Cognome e Nome |           | Residenza                                | Data di assenza |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| BIA            | Paolo     | Madugno(Bari)Via Regina Margherita       | 3.11.1944       |
| LOPIS          | Mario     | Sessa Aulunga - Napoli                   | 2.11.1944       |
| PRETEROTI      | Vincenzo  | Cimila-Via Giordano di Calabria          | 4.11.1944       |
| FRANZESE       | Generoso  | Fertilia-Corso Umberto 133 (Aversa)      | 8.11.1944       |
| LELLI          | Gastone   | Empoli-Via dei Martiri 10                | 3.11.1944       |
| BRANDO         | Rocco     | Nicastro-Via Tempore 15(Catanzaro).      | 4.11.1944       |
| SALADINO       | Vincenzo  | Bella-Nicastro(Catanzaro)                | 4.11.1944       |
| MURACA         | Giuseppe  | Nicastro(Catanzaro)Via Tempore 13        | 4.11.1944       |
| BENISCIO       | Umberto   | Pozzano (Lecce)                          | 3.11.1944       |
| CAPUTO         | Giovanni  | Melissano (Lecce)                        | 4.11.1944       |
| VINCIGUERRA    | Antonio   | Alerio (Lecce)                           | 6.11.1944       |
| DE CARLO       | Pietro    | Strudà (Lecce)                           | 6.11.1944       |
| SANTINI        | Alfiero   | Castelfidardo (Ancona)                   | 4.11.1944       |
| ZACCARELLI     | Nello     | Borgo Pio n. 79 - Roma                   | 1.11.1944       |
| GIARDI         | Antonio   | Napoli - Via Centogradi A Cristallini 10 | 6.11.1944       |
| MAZZETTA       | Pasquale  | Monteroso (Catanzaro)                    | 3.11.1944       |
| EMANUELE       | Antonio   | S.Chirico Rufano (Potenza)               | 3.11.1944       |
| DE CICCIO      | Francesco | Monteroso (Catanzaro)                    | 3.11.1944       |
| TABARRINI      | Antonio   | Pela Crocetto Montepulciano (Siena)      | 3.11.1944       |
| PASCIUTI       | Alfonso   | Lacedonia Via Montebello 212 (Avellino)  | 6.11.1944       |
| BARBERA        | Domenico  | Fimefreddo (Catania)                     | 3.11.1944       |

|    |                          |          |               |           |                                      |
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| 18 | "                        | "        | DE CICCIO     | Francesco | Monteroso (Catania)                  |
| 19 | "                        | "        | TABARRINI     | Antonio   | Pela Crocetto Monno (Siena)          |
| 20 | 3 <sup>a</sup>           | sergente | PASCIUTI      | Alfonso   | Lacedonia Via Mazzini 212 (Avellino) |
| 21 | "                        | fante    | BARBERA       | Domenico  | Finefreddo (Catania)                 |
| 22 | "                        | "        | CALLEA        | Giovanni  | Via Colombo 42 (Catania)             |
| 23 | "                        | "        | BASILE        | Natale    | Via Ripara 105 (Castel Lago Pesole)  |
| 24 | "                        | "        | LO RUSSO      | Rocco     | Laurino (Salerno)                    |
| 25 | "                        | "        | COSSA         | Carminio  | Nardò (Lecce)                        |
| 26 | "                        | "        | CAVALERA      | Francesco | Lago Pesole (Polignano)              |
| 27 | "                        | "        | BOCHICCHIO    | Giuseppe  | Nardò (Lecce)                        |
| 28 | "                        | "        | BRUNO         | Luigi     | Candofuri (Reggio Calabria)          |
| 29 | "                        | "        | MUCERA        | Antonio   | Scandale (Catania)                   |
| 30 | "                        | "        | MINNITI       | Giuseppe  | Reggio Calabria                      |
| 31 | "                        | "        | MUCERA        | Giuseppe  | Basilice (Benevento)                 |
| 32 | "                        | "        | CORMANO       | Michele   | Napoli-v. General                    |
| 33 | "                        | "        | MARTANO       | Antonio   | Catanzaro-v. Bar                     |
| 34 | "                        | "        | CHIEFALO      | Raffaele  | Vibo-Valentia (Catanzaro)            |
| 35 | 4 <sup>a</sup>           | "        | VENTRICE      | Rosario   | Frascati-v. S. Maria                 |
| 36 | Cp. Comando II btg       | "        | FRATARCANGELI | Antonio   | Ponticelli - v. S. Maria             |
| 37 | "                        | "        | MAGLIONE      | Giuseppe  | (Napoli)                             |
| 38 | "                        | "        | MAZZI         | Guglielmo | Roma - v. A. Piccini                 |
| 39 | "                        | "        | QUAGLIAROTTI  | Adelmo    | Funzano Romano-v. S. Maria           |
| 40 | 5 <sup>a</sup> Compagnia | cap.le   | RIZZO         | Mario     | Alessano (Lecce)                     |
| 41 | "                        | fante    | COLI          | Salvatore | Cutrofiano (Lecce)                   |
| 42 | "                        | "        | DOSTUNI       | Salvatore | Neviano (Lecce)                      |
| 43 | "                        | "        | LUCCHINO      | Giovanni  | Bella-v. Lombardi                    |
| 44 | 6 <sup>a</sup>           | "        | PRIMIERI      | Oscar     | Foggia (Cosenza)                     |
| 45 | "                        | "        | PINTO         | Nicola    | Lecce-Corte del                      |
| 46 | "                        | "        | ROMA          | Francesco | Lecce - via Raimondo                 |
| 47 | "                        | "        | SPAGNA        | Vito      | Galatina (Lecce)                     |
| 48 | "                        | "        | REGGIO        | Gemi      | Cervicati (Cosenza)                  |
| 49 | 7 <sup>a</sup>           | "        | REALE         | Domenico  | Gioiosa Ionica                       |
| 50 | "                        | "        | GUGLIOTTI     | Francesco | Filadelfia - cor                     |
| 51 | "                        | "        | MONTELEONE    | Antonio   | (Catanzaro)                          |
| 52 | "                        | "        | NOLFI         | Giuseppe  | Ciminna-v. R. Mar                    |
| 53 | "                        | "        | VELINI        | Pietro    | Castropignano (C                     |
| 54 | "                        | "        | ROCCHETTI     | Pietro    | Roma-v. Valentin                     |
|    |                          |          |               |           | Pietralata (Roma)                    |



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| DE CICCO      | Francesco | Monteroso (Catanzaro)                    | 3.11.1944 |
| TABARRINI     | Antonio   | Pela Crocetto Montepulciano (Siena)      | 3.11.1944 |
| PASCIUTI      | Alfonso   | Lacedonia Via Montebello 212 (Avellino)  | 6.11.1944 |
| BARBERA       | Domenico  | Fimefreddo (Catania)                     | 3.11.1944 |
| CALLEA        | Giovanni  | Via Colombo 42 Patti -(Messina)          | 3.11.1944 |
| BASILE        | Natale    | Via Ripara 105 - Reggio C.               | 2.11.1944 |
| LO RUSSO      | Rocco     | Castel Lago Pesore (Potenza)             | 3.11.1944 |
| COSSA         | Carmine   | Laurino (Salerno)                        | 5.11.1944 |
| CAVALERA      | Francesco | Nardò (Lecce)                            | 3.11.1944 |
| BOCHICCHIO    | Giuseppe  | Lago Pesole (Potenza)                    | 3.11.1944 |
| BRUNO         | Luigi     | Nardò (Lecce)                            | 3.11.1944 |
| MUCERA        | Antonio   | Candofuri (Reggio Calabria)              | 3.11.1944 |
| MINNITI       | Giuseppe  | Scandale (Catanzaro)                     | 3.11.1944 |
| MUCERA        | Giuseppe  | Reggio Calabria-v. Capuccino             | 3.11.1944 |
| CORMANO       | Nichole   | Basilice (Benevento)                     | 2.11.1944 |
| MATTANO       | Antonio   | Napoli-v. General Carascosa 6            | 9.11.1944 |
| CHIEFALO      | Raffaele  | Catanzaro- v. Baracche 7                 | 3.11.1944 |
| VENTRICE      | Rosario   | Vibo-Valentia (Catanzaro)                | 2.11.1944 |
| FRATARCANGELI | Antonio   | Frascati-v. S. Matteo (Roma)             | 7.11.1944 |
| MAGLIONE      | Giuseppe  | Ponticelli - v. Napoli 32 (Napoli)       | 4.11.1944 |
| MAZZI         | Guglielmo | Roma- v. A. Piceno n. 48                 | 6.11.1944 |
| QUAGLIAROTTI  | Adelmo    | Funzano Romano-v. XX sett. 11            | 5.11.1944 |
| RIZZO         | Mario     | Alessano (Lecce)                         | 4.11.1944 |
| COLI          | Salvatore | Cutrofiano (Lecce)                       | 4.11.1944 |
| DOSTUNI       | Salvatore | Neviano (Lecce)                          | 4.11.1944 |
| LUCCHINO      | Giovanni  | Bella-v. Lombardia 1 (Catanz.)           | 4.11.1944 |
| PRIMIERI      | Oscar     | Foggi (Cosenza)                          | 4.11.1944 |
| PINTO         | Nicola    | Lecce-Corte del Verio 13                 | 2.11.1944 |
| NOMA          | Francesco | Lecce - via Rainè 25                     | 4.11.1944 |
| SPAGNA        | Vito      | Galatina (Lecce)                         | 4.11.1944 |
| REGGIO        | Gemi      | Cervicati (Cosenza)                      | 6.11.1944 |
| REALE         | Domenico  | Gioiosa Ionica-v. A. Diaz 38             | 5.11.1944 |
| GUGLIOTTI     | Francesco | Filadelfia - contrada Bretto (Catanzaro) | 4.11.1944 |
| MONTELEONE    | Antonio   | Ciminna-v. R. Margherita 8 (R.C.)        | 2.11.1944 |
| NOLFI         | Giuseppe  | Castropignano (Campobasso)               | 3.11.1944 |
| VELINI        | Pietro    | Roma-v. Valentiniano 40                  | 5.11.1944 |
| ROSCCHETTI    | Pietro    | Pietralata (Roma)                        | 5.11.1944 |

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| Numero<br>di<br>ordine               | Reparto                  | Grado | Cognome e Nome        |            |
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| <u>segue 87° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA</u> |                          |       |                       |            |
| 55                                   | 8 <sup>a</sup> Compagnia | fante | CAPPARELLI Giovanni   | Cerzeto    |
| 56                                   | "                        | "     | CASALUE Vito          | Nardò (I)  |
| 57                                   | "                        | "     | CONIDI Giovanni       | Filadel    |
| 58                                   | "                        | "     | DE PRESBITERIS Angelo | Praia (CS) |
| 59                                   | "                        | "     | DE FAZIO Leopoldo     | Frauti     |
| 60                                   | "                        | "     | HOI Giuseppe          | Copert     |
| 61                                   | 11 <sup>a</sup>          | serg. | CONSALVO Michele      | Lacedon    |
| 62                                   | "                        | gran. | ELIA Giuseppe         | Poggia     |
| 63                                   | 12 <sup>a</sup>          | aut.  | MANSI Vincenzo        | Casaca     |
| 64                                   | "                        | "     | VETRONE Giuseppe      | Casaca     |
| <u>88° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA</u>       |                          |       |                       |            |
| 1                                    | Cp.comando I btg.        | fante | ARNESI Gennaro        | Napoli     |
| 2                                    | "                        | "     | MASSA Salvatore       | Castell    |
| 3                                    | 1 <sup>a</sup> Compagnia | "     | ALBONESI Luigi        | Polist     |
| 4                                    | "                        | "     | D'ANDREA Vincenzo     | Napoli-    |
| 5                                    | "                        | "     | MUCSARI Saverio       | Catanza    |
| 6                                    | "                        | "     | PALUMBO Vladimiro     | Tusiano    |
| 7                                    | "                        | "     | POLLIO Raffaele       | Napoli     |
| 8                                    | 2 <sup>a</sup>           | "     | ALBANESE Antonio      | Parghel    |
| 9                                    | "                        | "     | STRETI Cosimo         | Avetrar    |
| 10                                   | "                        | "     | PIETRAFESA Rocco      | Marigli    |
| 11                                   | "                        | "     | CACCAMO Vito          | Enna -     |
| 12                                   | "                        | "     | QUATTRINO Domenico    | Arpino     |
| 13                                   | "                        | "     | ROSSI Antonio         | Villa      |
| 14                                   | "                        | "     | FIORAVANTI Umberto    | Polist     |
| 15                                   | "                        | "     | VERGINE Angelo        | Someto     |
| 16                                   | "                        | "     | ARACE Gerardo         | Cairan     |
| 17                                   | "                        | "     | JACOVELLI Vito        | Altamur    |
| 18                                   | "                        | "     | NUGARO Saverio        | Campoma    |
| 19                                   | "                        | "     | CARBONE Vincenzo      | Oria (Ta   |
| 20                                   | "                        | capo  | LAURITTO Agostino     | Ficci      |



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| Grado | Cognome e Nome        | Residenza                             | Data di assenza |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| IA    |                       |                                       |                 |
| fante | CAPPARELLI Giovanni   | Cerzeto (Cosenza) v. del Pittone      | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | CASALUE Vito          | Nardò (Lecce) - v. N. Cupasci         | 4.11.1944       |
| "     | CONIDI Giovanni       | Filadelfia (Catanzaro) v. Diaz 12     | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | DE PRESBITERIS Angelo | Praia Mare - Contrada di Foresta (CS) | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | DE FAZIO Leopoldo     | Frauti (Catanzaro) v. Monteroni       | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | ROI Giuseppe          | Copertino (Lecce) v. Macello          | 5.11.1944       |
| serg. | CONSALVO Michele      | Lacedonia (Avellino)                  | 6.11.1944       |
| gran. | ELIA Giuseppe         | Poggiardo (Lecce)                     | 10.11.1944      |
| aut.  | MANSI Vincenzo        | Casacalenda (CB) - v. 17 novem.       | 5.11.1944       |
| "     | VEITRONE Giuseppe     | Casacalenda (CB) - v. Termoli 20      | 5.11.1944       |
| fante | ARNESI Gennaro        | Napoli - v. S. Sofia 3                | 3.11.1944       |
| "     | MASSA Salvatore       | Castell. di Stabia - v. Liquori       | 3.11.1944       |
| "     | ALBONESI Luigi        | Polistina (R. Calabria)               | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | D'ANDREA Vincenzo     | Napoli - v. Cardinal Scorpanti        | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | MUSSARI Saverio       | Catanzaro - v. Tripoli 19             | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | PALUMBO Vladimiro     | Tusiano (Lecce)                       | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | POLLIO Raffaele       | Napoli - v. S. Mattia 36              | 6.11.1944       |
| "     | ALBANESE Antonio      | Parghelia                             | 1.11.1944       |
| "     | STRETI Cosimo         | Avetrana (Taranto) v. Pola            | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | PIETRAFESA Rocco      | Marigliano - v. Bonaggio 23           | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | CACCAMO Vito          | Enna - v. Liutto 38                   | 5.11.1944       |
| "     | QUATTRINO Domenico    | Arpino                                | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | ROSSI Antonio         | Villa S. Stefano - v. Rocca           | 2.11.1944       |
| "     | FIORAVANTI Umberto    | Polisteno - v. Labirinto 29           | 5.11.1944       |
| "     | VERGINE Angelo        | Someto (Lecce)                        | 8.11.1944       |
| "     | ARACE Gerardo         | Cairano (Avellino)                    | 8.11.1944       |
| "     | JACOVELLI Vito        | Altamura (Bari) v. Domenico Falconi   | 4.11.1944       |
| "     | NUGARO Saverio        | Campomaggiore (Potenza)               | 4.11.1944       |
| "     | CARBONE Vincenzo      | Oria (Taranto) v. Abate Carbone       | 2.11.1944       |
| capo  | IANNITELLO Agostino   | Figliara (Salerno) v. 7. Richi        | 5.11.1944       |

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| 14 | "                        | "      | FIORAVANTI  | UMBERTO   | POLISCURO      |
| 15 | "                        | "      | VERGINE     | Angelo    | Someto (Lecce) |
| 16 | "                        | "      | ARACE       | Gerardo   | Cairano (Ave)  |
| 17 | "                        | "      | JACOVELLI   | Vito      | Altamura (Bar) |
| 18 | "                        | "      | NUGARO      | Saverio   | Campomaggiore  |
| 19 | "                        | "      | CARBONE     | Vincenzo  | Oria (Taranto) |
| 20 | "                        | cap.le | JANNIELLO   | Agostino  | Fisciano (Sal) |
| 21 | 3 <sup>a</sup>           | fante  | PASSERELLI  | Giuseppe  | Catanzaro -    |
| 22 | "                        | "      | SINOPOLI    | Salvatore | S. Biagio - v  |
| 23 | "                        | "      | NOBILE      | Giuseppe  | Borgia - via   |
| 24 | Cp. comando II btg.      | "      | PETRI       | Giuliano  | Pescara - v.   |
| 25 | "                        | "      | MAURO       | Francesco | Catanzaro -    |
| 26 | "                        | "      | GIULIMONDI  | Armando   | Roma - Via C   |
| 27 | "                        | cap.le | BILLOTTA    | Giuseppe  | Frosi di Ri    |
| 28 | "                        | fante  | MIRIELLO    | Francesco | Catanzaro -    |
| 29 | 5 <sup>a</sup> Compagnia | "      | SPANO       | Domenico  | Orté (Reggio)  |
| 30 | 6 <sup>a</sup>           | "      | TANCREDI    | Carmine   | Mirabella S    |
| 31 | "                        | "      | SANTONE     | Alfredo   | Reggio Calab   |
| 32 | "                        | "      | CASSETTA    | Antonio   | Roma - Borge   |
| 33 | "                        | "      | CARLOMOSTI  | Angelo    | Roma - Borge   |
| 34 | "                        | "      | SICILIANO   | Rocco     | Cittanova (B   |
| 35 | "                        | "      | BEVILACQUA  | Michele   | Novoli (Lecce) |
| 36 | "                        | "      | PETTONI     | Giovanni  | Roma - S. Mar  |
| 37 | "                        | "      | MATARAZZO   | Salvatore | Napoli - v.    |
| 38 | "                        | "      | CASADEI     | Mario     | Roma - Via A   |
| 39 | "                        | serg.  | MASCITELLI  | Pietro    | Chieti - Por   |
| 40 | "                        | cap.le | ZULLO       | Bruno     | Firenze - Vi   |
| 41 | "                        | fante  | VITALI      | Domenico  | Cinquefrondi   |
| 42 | "                        | "      | MALAMARA    | Pasquale  | S. Cristina d  |
| 43 | "                        | cap.le | LEONE       | Alfredo   | Galeata (For   |
| 44 | 8 <sup>a</sup>           | fante  | CASTRIGNANO | Saverio   | Spinazzola - v |
| 45 | "                        | "      | CHIARELLI   | Cosimo    | Celia Manoni   |
| 46 | "                        | "      | D'ABRAMO    | Vito      | Santo Spirito  |
| 47 | "                        | cap.le | CONTE       | Aldo      | Roma - via N   |
| 48 | "                        | fante  | FARINO      | Luigi     | Bari - via L   |
| 49 | "                        | "      | GORI        | Carmine   | Lago - via G   |
| 50 | 9 <sup>a</sup>           | gran.  | ROSSI       | Fausto    | Roma - Via A   |
| 51 | 11 <sup>a</sup>          | "      | ABRUZZESE   | Tommaso   | Vico Gargano   |
| 52 | Cp. comando regg.le      | fante  | SEPE        | Biagio    | Foggia - via   |
| 53 | "                        | aut.   | FORTI       | Bruno     | Roma - via C   |
| 54 | "                        | "      | GUGLIELMI   | Vincenzo  | Roma - via A   |
| 55 | "                        | serg.  | DI NARDO    | Filippo   |                |
| 56 | Compagnia mortai         | fante  | DE VITO     | Felice    | Montemarano    |
| 57 | Compagnia cannoni        | cap.m. | COLELLA     | Antonio   |                |
| 58 | "                        | cap.le | BELISARIO   | Marcello  | Roma - via d   |



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| "      | VERGINE     | Angelo    | Someto (Lecce)                   | 8.11.1944  |
| "      | ARACE       | Gerardo   | Cairano (Avellino)               | 8.11.1944  |
| "      | JACOVELLI   | Vito      | Altamura(Bari)v.Domenico Falconi | 4.11.1944  |
| "      | NUGARO      | Saverio   | Campomaggiore (Potenza)          | 4.11.1944  |
| "      | CARBONE     | Vincenzo  | Oria(Taranto) v.Abate Carbone    | 2.11.1944  |
| cap.le | JANNIELLO   | Agostino  | Fisciano(Salerno)via 7 Fichi     | 7.11.1944  |
| fante  | PASSERELLI  | Giuseppe  | Catanzaro - v. del Ghezzi 2      | 4.11.1944  |
| "      | SIROPOLI    | Salvatore | S.Biagio - v. Nicotera 30        | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | NOBILE      | Giuseppe  | Borgia - via Tavano 26           | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | PETRI       | Giuliano  | Pescara - v. Baiamonti 110       | 2.11.1944  |
| "      | MAURO       | Francesco | Catanzaro - via Poerio 74        | 2.11.1944  |
| "      | GIULIMONDI  | Armando   | Roma - Via Garbatella 2          | 8.11.1944  |
| cap.le | BILLOTTA    | Giuseppe  | Frosi di Rizzicone (R.Cal.)      | 8.11.1944  |
| fante  | MIRIELLO    | Francesco | Catanzaro - via Poerio 63        | 2.11.1944  |
| "      | SPANO       | Domenico  | Orté (Reggio Calabria)           | 2.11.1944  |
| "      | TANCREDI    | Carmine   | Mirabella Sannitico(Campobasso)  | 2.11.1944  |
| "      | SANTONE     | Alfredo   | Reggio Calabria                  | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | CASETTA     | Antonio   | Roma - Borgata Pietralata        | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | CARLOMOSTI  | Angelo    | Roma - Borgata Pietralata        | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | SICILIANO   | Rocco     | Cittanova (Reggio Cal.)          | 4.11.1944  |
| "      | BEVILACQUA  | Michele   | Novoli(Lecce)-v.Marzotti 10      | 4.11.1944  |
| "      | PETTONI     | Giovanni  | Roma - S.Martino Monti 50        | 5.11.1944  |
| "      | MATARAZZO   | Salvatore | Napoli - v. S.Cosimo 50          | 5.11.1944  |
| "      | CASADEI     | Mario     | Roma - Via A.Guglielmotti 17     | 5.11.1944  |
| serg.  | MASCITELLI  | Pietro    | Chieti - Porta Pescara 9         | 6.11.1944  |
| cap.le | ZULLO       | Bruno     | Firenze - Via delle Casine       | 9.11.1944  |
| fante  | VITALI      | Domenico  | Cinquefrondi (Reggio Cal.)       | 9.11.1944  |
| "      | MALAMARA    | Pasquale  | S.Cristina da Sprano (Regg.Cal.) | 9.11.1944  |
| cap.le | LEONE       | Alfredo   | Galeata (Forli)                  | 10.11.1944 |
| fante  | CASTRIGNANO | Saverio   | Spinazzola-v.Tulipani 33         | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | CHIARELLI   | Cosimo    | Celia Manoni                     | 6.11.44    |
| "      | D'ABRAMO    | Vito      | Santo Spirito - v.S.Maria        | 3.11.1944  |
| cap.le | CONTE       | Aldo      | Roma - via Nino Bixio 4          | 6.11.1944  |
| fante  | FARINO      | Luigi     | Bari - via Lastulli 8            | 3.11.1944  |
| "      | GORI        | Carmine   | Lago - via Greci 25              | 2.11.1944  |
| gran.  | ROSSI       | Fausto    | Roma - Via Appia Nuova 190       | 10.11.1944 |
| "      | ABRUZZESE   | Tommaso   | Vico Gargano (Monza)             | 11.11.1944 |
| fante  | SEPE        | Biagio    | Foggia - via Pietro 2° - 38      | 6.11.1944  |
| aut.   | FORTI       | Bruno     | Roma - via Cibone 1              | 10.11.1944 |
| "      | GUGLIELMI   | Vincenzo  | Roma - via Amedeo Cancelli 83    | 10.11.1944 |
| serg.  | DI NARDO    | Filippo   | -                                | 10.11.1944 |
| fante  | DE VITO     | Felice    | Montemarano (Avellino)           | 11.11.1944 |
| cap.m. | COLELLA     | Antonio   | -                                | 4.11.1944  |
| cap.le | BELISARIO   | Marcello  | Roma - via degli Equi 47         | 5.11.1944  |



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| <u>35° REGGIMENTO ARTIGLIERIA</u> |                         |                |                     |            |
| 1                                 | 1 <sup>a</sup> batteria | sergente       | PALMISANO Dante     | Mottola(T  |
| 2                                 | "                       | art.           | ALONZI Enrico       | Vitt. Emar |
| 3                                 | "                       | caporale       | BIAGINI Adolfo      | Roma-v. Do |
| 4                                 | 3 <sup>a</sup>          | art.           | DORIA Vincenzo      | Casal Gui  |
| 5                                 | "                       | "              | COSCIONE Nicola     | Oria(Brin  |
| 6                                 | "                       | "              | FORTUNATO Antonio   | Albanova   |
| 7                                 | "                       | "              | AMATO Mario         | Piemonte(  |
| 8                                 | "                       | "              | PANETTA Giuseppe    | tone       |
| 9                                 | "                       | "              | TRANI Armando       | Maddaloni  |
| 10                                | 4 <sup>a</sup>          | "              | BARATTA Antonio     | Maddaloni  |
| 11                                | "                       | "              | FABIANELLI Bernardo | Petrica(F  |
| 12                                | "                       | "              | RINALDI Elio        | Piaggine(  |
| 13                                | "                       | <u>serg.m.</u> | PENNA Augusto       | Giuseppe   |
| 14                                | 5 <sup>a</sup>          | art.           | PERILLI Bernardino  | Pieve a Q  |
| 15                                | "                       | "              | JANNILLI Nello      | Patrica -  |
| 16                                | 7 <sup>a</sup>          | cap.le         | FIORE Santino       | Benevento  |
| 17                                | "                       | art.           | ACCINI Gaetano      | loni - v.  |
| 18                                | "                       | "              | CHIRICO Cosimo      | Torre in   |
| 19                                | "                       | cap.m.         | SERAFINI Enzo       | Sant'Andr  |
| 20                                | "                       | art.           | CAFAZZA Giovanni    | Pietragall |
| 21                                | 8 <sup>a</sup>          | "              | CASCALICI Mario     | Marsicono  |
| 22                                | 11 <sup>a</sup>         | "              | FALAI Ottavio       | S. Elia 13 |
| 23                                | "                       | "              | GAETANI Antonio     | Spinosa -  |



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| sergente | PALMISANO      | Dante      | Mottola(Taranto)corso<br>Vitt.Emanuele 3            | 7.11.1944       |
| art.     | ALONZI         | Enrico     | Roma-v.Domodossola 23                               | 7.11.1944       |
| caporale | BIAGINI        | Adolfo     | Casal Guidi (Pistoia)                               | 8.11.1944       |
| art.     | DORIA          | Vincenzo   | Oria(Brindisi)via Torre12                           | 1.11.1944       |
| "        | COSCIONE       | Nicola     | Albanova (Napoli)                                   | 6.11.1944       |
| "        | FORTUNATO      | Antonio    | Piemonte(Avellino)via Pon<br>tone                   | 6.11.1944       |
| "        | AMATO          | Mario      | Maddaloni(Caserta)v.Roma 4                          | 7.11.1944       |
| "        | PANETTA        | Giuseppe   | Maddaloni - via Maddalena                           | 7.11.1944       |
| "        | TRANI          | Armando    | Petrica(Frosinone)v.Pace 80                         | 7.11.1944       |
| "        | BARATTA        | Antonio    | Piaggine(Salerno) via S.<br>Giuseppe 10             | 4.11.1944       |
| "        | FABIANELLI     | Bernardo   | Pieve a Quattro (Arezzo)                            | 4.11.1944       |
| "        | RINALDI        | Elio       | Patrica - v.Celleta 22                              | 7.11.1944       |
| serg.m.  | PENNA          | Augusto    | Benevento - frazione Capal<br>loni - v.dei Fanni 10 | 9.11.1944       |
| art.     | PEBILLI        | Bernardino | Torre in Pietra (Roma) via<br>Sant'Andrea Triste    | 9.11.1944       |
| "        | JANNILLI       | Nello      | Pietragalla (Potenza)                               | 5.11.1944       |
| cap.le   | FIORE          | Santino    | Marsiconovo(Potenza) via<br>S.Elia 13               | 6.11.1944       |
| art.     | ACCINI         | Gaetano    | Spinosa - v. S.Rocco 3                              | 6.11.1944       |
| "        | CHIRICO        | Cosimo     | Monte Mesola(Taranto)via<br>dei Giardini            | 7.11.1944       |
| cap.m.   | SERAFINI       | Enzo       | Salita S.Onofrio 15-Roma                            | 7.11.1944       |
| art.     | CAFAZZA        | Giovanni   | Castelvetrano(Trapani)via<br>frat. Bandiera 27      | 4.11.1944       |
| "        | CASCALICI      | Mario      | Roma - via Tiburtina 14                             | 5.11.1944       |
| "        | FALAI          | Ottavio    | San Quirico Montespoarto<br>11(Firenze)             | 5.11.1944       |
| "        | GAETANI        | Antonio    | Lecca via Scenio Grande 2                           | 5.11.1944       |

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| 19 | "                    | cap.m.  | SERAFINI      | Enzo      | dei Giardini  |
| 20 | "                    | art.    | CAFAZZA       | Giovanni  | Salita S. O.  |
| 21 | 8 <sup>a</sup>       | "       | CASCALICI     | Mario     | Castelvetro   |
| 22 | 11 <sup>a</sup>      | "       | FALAI         | Ottavio   | frat. Bandi   |
| 23 | "                    | "       | GAETANI       | Antonio   | Roma - via    |
| 24 | "                    | "       | DENCIARPIETRO | Pasq.     | San Quirico   |
| 25 | "                    | "       | DE PASCALIS   | Luigi     | li (Firenze)  |
| 26 | "                    | "       | CORFINO       | Amelio    | Lecco via     |
| 27 | "                    | "       | DE SANTIS     | Aldo      | Minervino (C) |
| 28 | "                    | cap.m.  | TOMMARO       | Fiore     | Galatina (L)  |
| 29 | "                    | "       | IRENE         | Vincenzo  | Sesto Cale    |
| 30 | 10 <sup>a</sup>      | art.    | BELMONTE      | Sinibaldo | S. Giorgio    |
| 31 | Rep. Com. Regg. to   | Maresc. | STIRPE        | Umberto   | Tivoli (Roma  |
| 32 | "                    | serg.m. | OLIVIANI      | Aurelio   | n. 56         |
| 33 | Rep. Com. I Gruppo   | cap.le  | SERENI        | Augusto   | Mirabella E   |
| 34 | "                    | "       | BABUSCIO      | Raffaele  | Gesualdo (A)  |
| 35 | Rep. Com. II Gruppo  | cap.m.  | CERONI        | Enrico    | San Cosimo    |
| 36 | Rep. Com. III Gruppo | art.    | DE SANTIS     | Rodrigo   | Viale Angel   |

BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO

|   |                             |         |             |           |               |
|---|-----------------------------|---------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| 1 | 52 <sup>a</sup> cp. artieri | Maresc. | SARTI       | Gastone   | Firenze -     |
| 2 | "                           | geniere | TRIPPODI    | Rosario   | Delianova (C) |
| 3 | "                           | "       | SARRI       | Siro      | za R. Elena   |
| 4 | "                           | "       | FORRO       | Francesco | Sesto Fiore   |
| 5 | "                           | "       | INVERSI     | Pasquale  | via Vitt. Em  |
| 6 | "                           | "       | DI GIACINTI | Bernardo  | Canosa (Bari  |

26<sup>a</sup> SEZIONE DI SANITA'

|   |                             |         |          |         |              |
|---|-----------------------------|---------|----------|---------|--------------|
| 1 | 26 <sup>a</sup> sez. sanità | cap.m.  | STELLA   | Ubaldo  | Cosenza - V/ |
| 2 | "                           | cap.le  | PALADINI | Antonio | S. Lorenzo   |
| 3 | "                           | soldato | LO RUSSO | Angelo  | Altanura (B) |
| 4 | "                           | "       | PESARO   | Cosimo  | Avetrana (T) |



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| cap.m.  | SERAFINI      | Enzo      | dei Giardini                | 7.11.1944 |
| art.    | CAFAZZA       | Giovanni  | Salita S.Onofrio 15-Roma    | 4.11.1944 |
| "       | CASCALICI     | Mario     | Castelvetrano(Trapani)via   | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | FALAI         | Ottavio   | frat. Bandiera 27           | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | GASTANI       | Antonio   | Roma - via Tiburtina 14     | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | DEMOIARPIETRO | Pasq.     | San Quirico Montespoarto    | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | DE PASCALIS   | Luigi     | li(Firenze)                 | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | CORFINO       | Amelio    | Lecce via Scario Grande 2   | 6.11.1944 |
| "       | DE SANTIS     | Aldo      | Minervino(Lecce)v.Noce 6    | 6.11.1944 |
| cap.m.  | TOMMABO       | Fiore     | Galatina(Lecce) Via Mare    | 6.11.1944 |
| "       | IRENE         | Vincenzo  | Sesto Calende (Milano)via   | 6.11.1944 |
| art.    | BELMONTE      | Sinibaldo | S.Giorgio 16                | 11.11.944 |
| Maresc. | STIRPE        | Umberto   | Tivoli(Roma)via Acquaregna  | 9.11.1944 |
| serg.m. | OLIVIANI      | Aurelio   | n. 56                       | 9.11.1944 |
| cap.le  | SERENI        | Augusto   | Mirabella Eclano(Avellino)  | 9.11.1944 |
| "       | BABUSCIO      | Raffaele  | Gesualdo(Avell.)v.Municipio | 6.11.1944 |
| cap.m.  | CERONI        | Enrico    | San Cosimo Albanese         | 8.11.1944 |
| art.    | DE SANTIS     | Rodrigo   | Viale Angelico 125 Roma     | 6.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Via Napoli 108 - Sora(Fro   | 8.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | sinone)                     | 5.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Tuscania (Viterbo)          | 4.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Benevento - Via Pauli 17    | 4.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Frosinone - via Contrada    | 4.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Forno n. 11                 | 4.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Tivoli(Roma)v.Arnaldi 28    | 4.11.1944 |
| Maresc. | SARTI         | Gastone   | Firenze - R.Sanzio 20       | 5.11.1944 |
| geniere | TRIPPODI      | Rosario   | Delienova(R.Calabria)piaz   | 7.11.1944 |
| "       | SARRI         | Siro      | za R.Elena n. 10            | 5.11.1944 |
| "       | FORRO         | Francesco | Sesto Fiorentino (Firenze)  | 9.11.1944 |
| "       | INVERSI       | Pasquale  | via Vitt.Ema. n. 30         | 9.11.1944 |
| "       | DI GIACINTI   | Bernardo  | Canosa(Bari)Sesilato Mila   | 9.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | no 21                       | 7.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Minervino(Bari)S.Giov. 82   | 7.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | Cossignano (A.Piceno) Ca    | 7.11.1944 |
|         |               |           | vour n. 1                   | 7.11.1944 |
| cap.m.  | STELLA        | Ubaldo    | Cosenza-v/Messer Andrea 4   | 5.11.1944 |
| cap.le  | PALADINI      | Antonio   | S.Lorenzo Nuovo(Viterbo)    | 1.11.1944 |
| soldato | LO RUSSO      | Angelo    | Altamura(Bari)v.L.Ariosto39 | 7.11.1944 |
| "       | PESARO        | Cosimo    | Avetrana(Taranto) via Nardo | 7.11.1944 |
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| 5.                                  | 26ª sez. sanità    | soldato | GAJO Cosimo         | Messa                    |
| 6                                   | "                  | "       | GERINARI Gregorio   | Sigh                     |
| 7                                   | "                  | "       | GIANNUZZI Francesco | Mand<br>del<br>Via<br>11 |
| <u>OFFICINE MECCANICHE</u>          |                    |         |                     |                          |
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| soldato | GALO' Cosimo        | Mesagne(Brindisi)via<br>Sighelgaida 31  | 7.11.1944       |
| "       | GIENNARI Gregorio   | Manduria(Taranto)via<br>dei Mille 73    | 7.11.1944       |
| "       | GIANNUZZI Francesco | Via Vittorio dei Pri<br>li n. 2 - Lecce | 9.11.1944       |
| "       | MATTEO Antonio      | S. Angelo dei Lombardi                  | 5.11.1944       |

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees and  
Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.  
(M.N.I.A.)  
B.C.M.E.  
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18 Dec 44.

A.P.H.Q.  
C.M.E.

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Ref. your CR/6005/G-1(Br) of 11 Nov/44.

1. The employment of the two Italian Soldiers <sup>44</sup> by British Units, as reported in your above quoted letter was reported to H.Q. 3 District.
2. Copy of 3 District reply to this H.Q. letter, together with copy of report from O.C. 15 R.V.P.38 Vehicle Coy RAC, is forwarded for your information.
3. Further report from 3 District will be forwarded as soon as it is received.

*L*  
F.J. OAKES, Col,  
for Major General,  
M.N.I.

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Subject:- Italian Officers - Absentees and Deserters.

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

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18 Dec 44.

M.H.I.A. L.O.  
53 DLV  
C.T.

Will you please forward the attached C.T.P. Report to the appropriate H.Q. in order that disciplinary action may be taken as necessary.

*P. J. Noakes*

P.J. NOAKES, Col,  
D.L. & QMG,  
M.H.I.A.

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Subject:- Italian Army - Deserters.

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(M.M.I.A.)

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18 Dec 44.

M.M.I.A. L.O.  
50 BLU  
C.M.F.

CALISTI Mario.  
Friuli Div.

Will you please forward the attached C.M.F. reports to the appropriate H.Q. in order that disciplinary action may be taken as may be necessary.

*P. J. Noakes*

P.J. NOAKES, Col,  
DA. G. QMG,  
M.M.I.A.

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Subject :- Absentees OPTIMONA GRUPPO CONFIDENTIAL

To :- HQ MIAA / 51 British Liaison Unit

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Transmit  
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A Rear 10 Corps

1 Inm has been received to the effect that two soldiers of this Gruppo whilst on leave have been engaged by U S Army units.

2 Details are

(a) TOP AMATRIELLO Domenico  
21 Inf Regt  
Home Address CRISPANO  
Employed by 117th Q M Bn Mobile APO 782 U S ARMY

(b) Artymen TUCCI Antonio  
7 Arty Regt  
Home Address FOGGIA  
Employed by HQ Army Air Force Service Comd, Med Theatre of Operations

3 Copies of certificates issued by these units, claiming in one case, to grant exemption, are forwarded herewith.

4 As you know these are not the only cases of men from the Gruppo being employed by Allied Units, but these are the first in which the supporting evidence is reasonably sound.

5 May the HQ and Unit concerned please be instructed to return these men forthwith.

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(b) Artzman TUCCI Antonio  
7 Arty Regt

Home Address FOGGIA  
Employed by HQ Army Air Force Service Command, Med  
Theatre of Operations

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reasonably sound.
- 5 May the HQ and Unit concerned please be instructed to  
return these men forthwith.
- 6 It is also requested that Orders be published forbid-  
ding Allied Units to engage men serving with Combat  
Groups.

Field  
17 Dec 44  
RWH/EGT

Major  
DAA & QIG

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will you  
please accept action. I hope you want  
All things leaded  
H. C. C. C.

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C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS  
117th QM BN MOBILE APO 782  
U S ARMY

Si dichiara che l'operaio ANATRIELLO Domenico lavora in  
questo campo in qualita di revisore.

E' in corso pratica di esonero.

EL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE  
F/to Carlo N. MAYO

*We inform you that ANATRIELLO DOMENICO  
is working at this camp as supervisor.*

*His exemption papers have been requested.*

*For the Colonel Commanding  
Carl N. Mayo-*

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HEADQUARTERS  
ARMY AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND  
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

NOV 7 1944  
(Date)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

This is to certify that the bearer, Antonio TUCCI, is employed by this command. He has been granted a temporary draft exemption by the authority vested in us by Headquarters, Allied Armies in Italy. Request for further draft exemption has been forwarded to Colonel Negroni, Italian Liaison Officer.

EDMOND W. BASTAK  
EDMOND W. BASTAK  
1st Lt Air Corps  
Civilian Pers Off

A TRUE COPY

F/to ROBERT W. MASTERS  
Capt. Air Corps  
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS  
ARMY AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND  
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

(E-EMB-21)  
Annexure 'A' to AAI  
5074/A(O) of 20 Mar 44

DICHIARAZIONE  
(Certificate)

Il Comando del Distretto Militare di FOGGIA  
(To the Command of the Military District of....)

Si dichiara che il Sig. Antonio TUCCI  
(This is to certify that)

delle classe 1922 presta servizio presso AAFAG (Occupazione)  
(is employed by)

Si prega volerlo esonerare del richiamo alle armi  
(It is requested that he be exempted from Military Service)

Firmato/a Edmond W. Bastak  
(Signed) ~~/t/~~ Edmond W. Bastak

1st Lt Air Corps Civilian Pers Off

Napoli 7 Novembre 1944

Bollo FF. AA Campania  
(Italian HQ Stamp)

A TRUE COPY

ROBERT W. MASTERS  
Capt Air Corps  
Adjutant

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Subject: Discipline - Italian Army.

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref A/6/11.

M. M. I. A.

14 Dec. 44.

Ref 1st Italian Combat Group letter No. 11454/PS dated 12 Dec, copy attached.

I am in complete agreement, and urge that most immediate and drastic action be taken on the lines suggested.

No delay should be accepted.

Sgd. ???????????

C.M.F.  
ARCS/LGB

Lt. Col.  
G.S.

COPY ATTACHED LETTER

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "FRIULI"  
Ufficio del Capo di State Maggiore  
Sez. 2 - Personale e Segreteria.

No. 11454/PS di prot.

P.M. 79. December 12th 1944

TO H.E. CHIEF OF THE S.M. REGIO ESERCITO.- P.M. 151  
and for information, TO THE 50 B.L.U.

In Tuscany there are still in hiding, notwithstanding warrants issued, a good number of soldiers, belonging to units of the "Friuli", who have not returned after their leave has expired or that are absent without leave. This covers the period September 1st to November 30th.

This fact has been particularly emphasised by my own soldiers, whom during the present time I have been sending regularly on leave, to enable them to see or at least have news of their families and their homes. 4403

These soldiers, when pointing out the above, have underlined with certain irony the fact that their ex - comrades, absent without leave from their units, are at present happy and unpunished, in their homes.

This type of talk, although generally it is given out in good faith, cannot fail to have harmful effects on the morale of the combat Group at my orders.

It is therefore necessary and also urgent, an immediate action on the part of the Allied and Italian Authorities to apprehend all, or a good part of the men at large, who should be given without any delay the deserved punishment.

Such an action would give my soldiers the impression that in Italy there is still Justice, and above all, it would act as a deterrent to those who may be at present inclined to run away from their ~~units~~ units.

I will furnish you with a detailed report of the absent men and their addresses.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE.

Arturo Scattini

from: MOW  
to: MMIA

AQ 11/3

Translation

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ref. 306539/2/CA  
16 Dec 44

Subject: Arrest of Allied deserters.

We inform you that VITERBO CCRR have  
arrested at RIETI + CIVITACASTELLANA/VITER-  
BO) the following Allied deserters, who  
have been taken to the CENTRAL GUARDARO  
OM - VIA GALVANI - ROME:

See letter.

Col. DEMICHELIS.

*Encl.*

4404





VE/VE  
MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA 17/12  
GABINETTO

Protocollo N° 519/2/Allegati  
Risposta al foglio del

Roma, 16 dicembre 1944  
Divisione Sezione N.

OGGETTO Arresto disertori alleati.

*Arresto di disertori*

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

R O M A

Si segnala per notizia che i Carabinieri di Viterbo hanno arrestato a Rieti e a Civitacastellana (Viterbo) i seguenti disertori alleati, tradotti tutti alla Central Guardroom - Via Calvani - Roma:

- n. 14623509 Fus. B. PARSONS H.Q. Coy 9/th Bn. Royal Fusiliers
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CAPO DI GABINETTO

*Handwritten:*  
A. N. 8  
F. 10/12  
D. 10/12  
F. 10/12



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Subject:- Enlistment of Italian Troops in  
Yugoslav Army of Liberation.

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

R O M E

22/11/44  
12/11/3

Dec 44.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

Ref. your 303451/C.A of 31 Oct/44.

1. The allegations reported in your above quoted letter have been forwarded to A.F.E.C. and investigations are being made.

2. In order to assist in the prevention of such activities in the future, it is requested that you will please forward, in affidavit form, the following information in respect of such desertions, within 60 days thereof:-

- a) Name of Deserter.
- b) Rank.
- c) Military Unit.
- d) Date of enlistment or induction.
- e) Date and circumstances of desertion.
- f) Probable whereabouts.

4400

CLAYTON P. KERR, Col,  
for Major General,  
M.M.I.A.

SPA/ab

See Folio 144 2nd packet.  
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203/2 4th packet

SUBJECT - ABSENTEE - CO-OPERATOR  
Refer - IA/4530/7-7  
TO - A.P.M. 56 AREA

RT/217350 obl. BARANZONI FRANCESCO

The above mentioned absented himself at  
2200 hrs 14 Dec 44.  
Herewith description of the co-operator  
for your information.

|               |                                                      |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Complexion    | Ruddy                                                |
| Hair          | Fair                                                 |
| Eyes          | Blue                                                 |
| Age           | 23                                                   |
| Height        | 1.65 metres                                          |
| Dress         | Battle dress                                         |
| Other Remarks | First finger of left hand amputated<br>at top joint. |
| Home address  | Vignolo - Ospedaletto (Modena)                       |

In the Field  
15-12-44  
KMD/BC.

Copy to GHO 2nd Echelon  
GI (Br) AFHQ  
ADST 56 Area  
A Branch 56 Area

A Branch 3 District  
CRASC 13 Gen Tpt Coln  
A.C.C. ✓

✓ O.C. 759 Coy RASC ((Ital) Gen. Tpt)

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SLASH  
16 DEC 1944  
A. C.

R. Baile

MAJOR - RASC 399