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ALLIED FORCE HEAD QUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Ref:- DOS/7523
Tel:- Freedom 810
Date:- 10th Nov '44.

Subject:- Returned Stores Depot -
35 A.O.D.

D.D.O.S.
H.Q. A.A.I.

Reference Amendment No. 2 to D.O.S. Circular No. 137.

1. Boots

All boots from 35 A.O.D. area will be returned through 35 A.O.D. and not direct to 557 B.O.D. 35 A.O.D. will grade and repair the following categories:-

(a) Boots for return to individual owners,
(b) Grade II boots to meet the requirements of 61 and 71 Areas, and any other L of C troops in their territory. All Grade III boots will be handed over to MMIA for repair and will not repeat not be repaired for British "Eyeties".

2. Vote 8

The following items only will be dealt with by this R.S.D:-

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Stretchers,
Engine cases
Tables and Forms
Other similar wooden items
Cookers of all types
Pressure lamps
Hurricane lamps
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(J.B. GREEN, Lt. Col. ADOS PLANS),
for Maj-Gen,
D.O.S.

Copy to: DDOS L of C. GHF.
CCO 55 AOD
ADOS GHD.1.ANHQ.
CCO 557 BOD
DADOS HQ MMIA

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR 8952	IMPORTANT	QVR 2

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

	DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN
FORM (A) MMIA IO 54 AREA	101800A

TO (FOR ACTION) REAR 8TH ARMY FOR MMIALO

	Message Instructions	GR
TO (FOR INFORMATION) MMIA ROME	QVR 2	

(REF. No.) PO 302 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) SECRET

200 BALES COMFORTERS AND 380 BALES MACKINAWS LOADED ASTRA NOW. ETA NOT AVAILABLE HERE

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LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE :	THI OR TOR	Opn.
	ORIGINATING SECTION :		
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION:	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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SUBJECT: Clothing to be Released to AC from Depot 1750.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/15/11
November 1944.

TO : MMIA LO Naples.

1. Attached is Commerce Sub Commission AC letter ACC/5134/Commerce, 6 November 1944, also a copy of items which you reported as available for AC on 6 November.

2. It is not entirely clear that the ACC letter November 6 refers to the list of clothing as attached. It is possible that it refers to a previous list of clothing which we reported as available at Depot 1750, but it may also be intended as instructions to Southern Region to pick up both lots of clothing. In any event, a representative of the Southern Region should be contacting you shortly, and it appears for the best interest of all concern to expedite movement of all of this clothing at the earliest date practicable.

3. Please advise this Headquarters when transfer be completed.

GEO. A. SHIPLEY, Lt. Col.
for Colonel DA & QMC.
Land Forces Sub Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
COMMERCE SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

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Ref.ACC/5134/Commerce

6 November 1944

SUBJECT : Army Clothing for Repair and Dyeing

TO : Regional Commissioner, Southern Region
(attn.Economics & Supply Division)

1. The Land-Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.) has advised the Commerce Sub-Commission that there is a quantity of salvaged uniforms available in Southern Region for repair and dyeing.

2. It is requested that your office contact the representative of the a/m. Sub-Commission in Room 84, Provincial Building, Tel.N.53622 to arrange delivery of the items to be transferred.

For the Acting Chief Commissioner

W.E. SCOTTEN
Major, M.I.S.
Acting Director
Commerce Sub-Commission

Copy to : Land-Forces Sub-Commission
(attn. Lt.Col.Shipley)

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Copy sent to Naples

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SUBJECT: Boot Repair Materials for Italian Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/15/11
10 November 1944.

TO : Allied Force Local Resources Section.
c/o R.A.A.C. C.M.F.

1. The following materials are required for use of the Italian Army for the repair of boots during the month of December 1944.

a. Leather

(i) Leather for Soles-----4600 Kgs
(ii) Leather for Uppers----2700 Sq ft.

b. Thread & Cord.

(i) Shoe thread hand sewing----1800 kgs
(ii) Shoe machine thread #9 (Italian Spec)-600 kgs.
(iii) Shoe machine thread #10 (Italian Spec)-800 kgs.
(iv) Fish cord for making shoe laces---200,000 metres.

2. It is requested that the above listed items be made available from local resources for operations during the month of December.

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GEO A. SHIPLEY, Lt. Col.
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

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SUBJECT: Clothing for the Italian Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
H O M E
AQ/15/11
15 November 1944.

A.F.H.Q.

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Ref. your AFHQ/9187/G (AE) dated 3 Nov. 44.

1. There has never been either an officer, NCO or OR named "D. MACDONELL" with M.M.I.A.

2. All deliveries from shipside to depots were handled by ORD at that time. All records and lorry No's should be in possession of that branch at HQ 2 District.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

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see folder for letter 9/15/7

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

AG/15/11

SUBJECT: Clothing & Equipment for BR-ITIs

Col. F.J. Noakes, OBE
DA & QMG
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
9 November 1944

Dear

Reference AFHQ letter AFHQ/9187/Q(AE) of 3 Nov.

1. AFHQ letter paragraph 2. This has not yet been cleared up with AFHQ. Clothing held for ITI-ITI could not be made available only for BR-ITIs. It is internationally provided and could only be shared with US-ITIs and BR-ITIs. BR-ITIs are at the moment borrowing heavily on the international pool until the situation is cleared.

2. Tentage - The Italian Army is repairing and making of tents from all the old stock. The output is increasing but it will take some time to get enough to replace the Allied tentage already being used by the ITIs of all categories.

3. Blankets - Some are waiting shipment from Sardinia. The BR-ITI share of these will enable us to get nearer the scale of two per man. We are some way off being able to increase the scale in any instance. The comforters are good value as a substitute for two blankets.

4. Grindery etc. - The ITIs have certain stocks but not on a lavish scale.

5. Capes A/C - It is recommended that the Div. HQ's responsible for BR-ITI maintenance be authorised to hold a total not exceeding 25% of total BR-ITIs strength in the Div. This to be a loan to the Div. and issued to certain units on authority of MMIA LO under the requests of the District etc. Comd. U.S authorities have done this in certain instances.

6. Battledress - This has to be dyed when we get it from Freedom and sometimes sorted and repaired. When we get the December grant from U.K we shall be O.K but until then it will be the usual MMIA policy of "Scratch for it, brother scratch"!

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7. Dividends - Our repair program outfit and the salvage gifts from Freedom and MTOUSA have enabled us to put a further

Mackinaws	5,000
Comforters	10,000
Drawers Wool	10,000

into the BR-ITI pool (MMIA Signal AQ-2163 of 8 Nov. to Freedom refers). We are going ahead with the program of squeezing the ITI lemon until the pips squeak. Much of our stuff is in Sardinia and is difficult to get over.

8. Div. Sub Depots - You will have seen our Sub depot plan in our Adm. Instruction No. 17. I think it should work.

Lt. Col. C.J.F. Mackay
Q/AE HQ AAI

Copy to: Lt. Col. J.J. Sloan
Q/AE AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHERN REGION, ALLIED COMMISSION
COMMERCE SUB-SECTION
APO 394

REG/717/13/51 B

9 November 1944

SUBJECT : Irreparable Clothing.

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission, A.C. H.Q.
(For Attn. of Major Scotten)

1. Ref. directive A.F.H.Q. AG 430/105 D:C dated 22 September 1944 to M.M.I.A., relative extract attached.

2. It is understood that salvaged uniforms and other clothing which are irreparable, and not required by the Italian Army, are to be handed over to A.C. for disposal.

3. As Public Health and Welfare Section Southern Region H.Q. are anxious to have this clothing made available to them, is there any objection to the allocation of the total quantity being made in their favour since it is of no interest to this Sub-Section for resale.

4. Your reply as soon as possible will be appreciated.

For the Regional Commissioner

W. G. BIRT
Major R. A.
Commerce Sub-Section

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Copy to:
Public Health and Welfare Sub-Commission

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Public Health and Welfare Sub-Commission, A.C. H.Q.
Public Health and Welfare Section, Southern Region, H.Q.
M.M.I.A. Provincia Building

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Noted
Items carried over to A.C.
in Hdqrs respectively
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Extract from Ltr, AFHQ, AC 400/105 D-O, 22 Sept 1944

Annex "C" - Procedure for Utilization of allied Military clothing for the Italian Army and Air Forces

Para 3. - Supply, sale, donation, or transfer of military clothing to civilians is not authorized except when made available to ACC by MMIA. Items of clothing and shoes (boots) not suitable for the use of the Italian Army will be transferred to ACC by MMIA. Outer clothing will be dyed black by ACC prior to issue to civilians.

Para 4. - Rags and scraps originating from clothing and equipment in British or U.S. Army Depots will be offered to MMIA for the use of the Italian Army. Should the rags and scraps not be desired by the Italian Army, the rags and scraps will be disposed of as agreed by commanders named in paragraph 2 above, and ACC

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SUBJECT: Clothing for BRITIS

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 527.

AHQ/9187/Q(AE).

9 Nov 44.

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HQ MMIA

1. There is at RSD 557 BOD the following :-

30 tons socks fit for repair
20 " sundry woollen items (jerseys, scarves, cap comforters etc)

2. If you can repair and utilise them for BRITIS will you please notify Ord (B) AHQ when collection can be made and they will instruct 557 AOD to release.

R.W. BEASLEY, Major,
for Major-General G-4(Br)

RWB/WFH

Copy to: Ord (B) - Your DG3/1411 (Ord 1) dated 4 Nov 44 refers.

See Folio 945 Salt packet

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SUBJECT: Authorization Notice.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
Naples
AQ/4/NR

9 November 1944.

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

1. Reference telephone conversation; Lt. Col. Shipley-Lt. Lambrecht, 8 November 1944, concerning clothing authorization for 1st Bn. 146 Inf. Regt.

2. Attached find copy of your original authorization notice AQ/61/451. We assumed that the unit designated as 1 Bn. 46 Inf. Regt. was meant to be 1 Bn. 146 Inf. Regt. Issue has been made as per verbal authority, Lt. Col. Shipley, 4 November 1944 as follows:

123-A Undershirts, wool (P/W)	-	1614
127-A Drawers, Wool (P/W)	-	1614

Reference our issue voucher No. 66.

Report of issues corrected accordingly

3. Clothing authorization AQ/61/451 will therefore be considered issued.

GEORGE D. SMITH JR.
Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

ANL/nl

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Translation.

From M of W
to MMIA.

Ref No. 303798/CA
Date 9 Nov. 44

Clothing for Italian Naval personnel. 675 S.M.Gaeta
763 th Jacket

As an answer to a request for clothing for a I.W.T. coy of the Italian Navy, employed for manual labours by the Transport office of AFHQ. MMIA with letter AQ/15/11 respectively on the 24 of August and 28 of sept stated that they were not able to fulfill such request for authorisation because the personnel belongs to the Italian Royal Navy.

In the same way the Liaison Flag officer (F.O.L.I) has informed the Ministry of the Navy that they could not authorise the issue as the unit was working for the Italian Army

Since the Navy beside the 4 I.W.T coy are actualy providing about 1500 men for Harbour work at TARANTO and BRINDISI and owing to the nearness of the winter, we beg mm. 527 once again to specific or eventualy approach Higher authorities to obtain

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R Mansfield

OXILIA.

4. Trans promised to get data on Makers of I.W.T 13/11

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MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 303993 C/A/Allegati

Roma, 9 novembre 1944

Risposta al f/del

Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO. Vestiario per il personale della R.Marina impiegato in manovalanza - Clothing for Italian Naval Personnel

Al LA M.M.I.A.

ROMA

Ad
15 11
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In occasione di una richiesta di vestiario inoltrata da una compagnia I.W.T. della R.Marina, impiegata però in lavori di manovalanza per la direzione dei trasporti dell'A.F.H.Q., cotesta Missione con lettere AQ/15/11, rispettivamente del 24 agosto e 28 settembre c.a., dichiarò di non essere competente ad autorizzare tale cessione di vestiario, in quanto il personale componente il reparto appartiene alla R.Marina.

Nel frattempo però il Flag Officer Liaison Italy (F.O.L.I.) a sua volta comunicava al Ministero della Marina, di non poter provvedere alla vestizione del personale, in quanto esso lavorava per conto dell'Esercito.

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

G. Oxilia

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SUBJECT:- Clothing - I ilian Personnel - Driving School. ST/31.

M.M.I.A.

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12 "

Confirming conversation of this morning (Majors Murcell - Williams), herewith copy of letter received from 562 Coy. RASC.

It is noted that an immediate issue is being authorised for the items marked on the list.

Lt. Col.
A.D.S.T., 54 Area.

C.M.F.
9th Nov. '44.

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COPY.

Translation.

COMPAGNIA DI FORMATIONE CENTRO DI ADDESTRAMENTO COMANDO

Polignano a Mare 6.11.44.

SUBJECT:- Clothing Supply.

To:- British Cadre H.Q.

c.p.i. Commando del IX Raggruppamento Autieri P.M. 67
Commando del 1008 Reparto Autieri per A.A.-Conversano

We beg to inform this H. Q of the bad condition of clothing of the 150 men of 1008 Coy. arrived at this school.

First of all, the need of boots is the most urgent because many of these men are without any, the other have unserviceable boots; the same applies to uniforms and personal linen.

As these drivers are in service of a M.T. Coy. A.A. and have so to be completely supplied with clothing, we would propose to furnish them in anticipation with all necessary clothing as soon as possible with the purpose to enable them to carry out their duties at the school and billet services (picquet etc,.

The items required are as follows :-

Caps	150
Blouses	150
Trousers	150 pair
Boots	300
Shirts	300 pair
Underpants	300 pair
Socks	150
Pullovers	450
Handkerchiefs	300
Towels	150
Overcoats	150
Overalls	

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May this allotment be authorised on account of 1008 Coy's supplies, as the soldiers are in service of that Company.

(sgd) Capt. PILOSIO.

AP/15/11 (915)

from: M.O.W.
To: Lee addressee
Copy to: MMIA

Translation
ref. 22135/V
9 November 1944

Subject: Materials from Allied sources. –

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With reference to authority granted by MMIA, MOW with letter 20592/V dated October 8th, ordered issue to 1st Bn of 46th Inf. Regt of the following allied materials to be taken from Campania Military Command.

- pullovers 807
- woolen drawers 1614

a/m material was, wrongly, handed over to Rome clothing & equip. Depot. –

MMIA with another letter authorized issue to a/m Bn of same quantity of materials MOW ordered issue, always from CAMPANIA Commissariat Directorate, with letter 20343/V dated 4th inst.

NT.

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– Commissariat Directorate of Campania military

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dated 4th inst.:

N.T.

In order to render (these) issues regular:
– Commissariat Directorate of Campania military
Command will cancel order given with letter
20592/V dated October 8th + at the same 123/126
time Rome depot will take on charge
a/m materials. –
– said Commissariat Directorate will confirm
to M.O.W. that a/m materials are stocked
at Rome depot, informing moreover MOW
when same materials will be drawn by
Unit concerned

Gen. PELLIGRA

fsdlp.

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Roma, 9 NOV [illegible]

Div. 1940

Al AD

Divisione Vestiario
Prot. N. 22135/V Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N°

OGGETTO : Materiali di provenienza alleata.
Allied Material

ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM. DEL COMANDO MILIT. DEL LAZIO UMBRIA E ABRUZZI — ROMA

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA "M.M.I.A." — ROMA
ALLO S.M.R.E. - Uff. Serv. - Sez. Comm.to _ — P. M. 151
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA CAMPANIA — P. M. 3400
AL DEPOSITO SPECIALE V.E. — ROMA
AL COMANDO DEL 1° BTGL. DEL 46° RGT.FTR. "SABAUDIA" — CROTONE

In seguito ad autorizzazione della M.M.I.A., con disp.20592/V dell'8 ottobre u.s, questo Ministero dispose la cessione a favore del 1° Btgl. del 46° Rgt. Ftr. sulla Direz. di Comm.to del Comando Militare della Campania dei seguenti materiali di provenienza alleata :

- maglioni 807 -
- mutande di lana 1614 -

Detto materiale fu, per errore, versato al Deposito Speciale V.E. di Roma.

Con successivo foglio la M.M.I.A. concesse la autorizzazione per la cessione a favore del predetto Btgl. di un eguale quantitativo degli stessi materiali.

Questo Ministero ne dispose la cessione sempre sulla Direz. di

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e, per conoscenza :

ALLA "M.M.I.A." — ROMA
ALLO S.M.R.E. - Uff. Serv. - Sez. Comm.to - P. M. 151
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA CAMPANIA — P. M. 3400
AL DEPOSITO SPECIALE V.E. — ROMA
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Questo Ministero ne dispose la cessione,sempre sulla Direz. di Comm.to della Campania,col dispaccio 20343/V del 4 corr..

Per regolarizzare tali cessioni si dispone :

- la Direz. di Comm.to Milit. della Campania considererà annullata la cessione a favore del citato Btgl. disposta col dispaccio 20592/V dell'8 ottobre provvedendo nel contempo ad effettuarne il passaggio di carico al Deposito Speciale V.E. di Roma.
- Codesta Direz. provvederà a confermare a questo Ministero l'esistenza presso il dipendente Deposito Speciale V.E. dei citati quantitativi di materiali, assicurando dell'avvenuta regolarizzazione della operazione.

p. IL MINISTRO

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LRKB V MEDY NR 704 Q.R8
FROM "Q" 56 AREA
TO 18 CE/ CRE ST ORD REME/ ADL 22 A BDE
CANT BE RIGHT THAT MIN PLS LETS SORT OUT H THE ADDS

LRKE V MEDY NR 704 QVR8
FROM "Q" 56 AREA
TO 18 CRE ST ORD REME ADL 22 A BDE
ITALIAN LIASION STAFF MMIA
GR -- BT
Q507/7 RESTRICTED(.) MESSAGE FROM DISTHREE TO [redacted]
52 AREA - 54 AREA - 56 ARE - 94 SUB AREA - 64 GRN
- 67 GRN INFO DISTHREE EAST - MMIA DATED 081847
REPEATED (.) Q3200(.) RESTRICTED(.). [redacted]
INDENTS FOR CLOTHING FOR BR-ITIS WILL
BE TAKEN BY UNIT REPS TO MMIA LO BARI OR NAPLES AS APPLICBLE (.)
THIS IS INTERIM MEASURE PENDING FINAL SET UP OF ITALAIN
MACHINERY TO HANDLE DOCUMENTATION
BT
SENT NR 704 GAL 2136 BB
RCD 2136A HRA

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AQ 15/11 9/4

MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
09 1615

FROM: MMIA

TO(FOR ACTION) PBS

REF NO AQ 2178

RESTRICTED

For MMIA (.) for SMITH from NOAKES (.) have you still difficulties in drawing the clothing and boots allotted to BRITIS from British Ordnance 9 items

PRECEDENCE —

ORIGINATORS AUTHENTICATION Approved

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AQ 15/11 913

MESSAGE FORM

Date-Time of Origin
09 [illegible] A

FROM (A) MMIA

TO(FOR ACTION) 54 AREA RPT DISTHREE - DISTHREE EAST

(REF. NO.) AQ-2170 RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) HQ 230 DIV IS BEING SET UP IMMEDIATELY IN DISTHREE EAST TO ADMINISTER BRITIS (.) DETAILS IN POST (.) 230 DIV WILL OPERATE OWN SUB DEPOT FOR CLOTHING (.) ALL BRITI CLOTHING WILL BE MOVED FROM LA ROCCA TO DIV SUB DEPOT (.) LOCATE EARLIEST SUITABLE BUILDING FOR SUB DEPOT (.) DISTHREE WILL ASSIST ALL POSSIBLE

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATION FTD Attd

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AQ 15/11 912

MESSAGE FORM

Date-Time of Origin
09 1050 A

FROM (A) MMIA

TO(FOR ACTION) DISTHREE RPT FES

(REF. NO.) AQ-2169

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) ADM INSTRUCTION IN POST SETTING OF
227 DIV SUB DEPOT FOR CLOTHING ETC (.) HOW SOON CAN
227 DIV HAVE SUITABLE BUILDING READY TO RECEIVE ALL
BRITI STOCK FROM MAIN NAPLES DEPOTS QUERY (.) SMITH
KNOWS DETAILS OF PLAN

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION FINLAND

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SUBJECT: Clothing Available for AC.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AC/15/11
9 November 1944.

Commerce Sub Commission AC.

1. The undernamed items of clothing are now available in Italian Repair Depot No. 2 Bari for release to Allied Commission for civilians.

Blouses, Battledress	3310
Trousers, Battledress	5870

Total Weight: Approx. 19,700 pounds.

2. Your representative should contact MMIA LO 54 Area Bari; Telephone-11458 Bari, and arrange withdrawal of above clothing.

GEO. A. SHIPLEY, Lt. Col.
for Major General
MMIA.

GAS/mg

Copy to:
MMIA LO 54 Area.

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(1) - original
(ii) - carbon
(iii) - serial

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AFHQ
G/AG, G-4, GU-US, COMZONE NTOUSA,
NMIA LO NAPLES, NMIA LO 54 AREA

AG/2165

RESTRICTED

UNDER PROVISIONS OF PARA 5c AFHQ LETTER AG 400/105 L-O DATED 29 SEPT ITEMS NOW IN ITALIAN ARMY DEPOTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE (.) FIRST (.) TO US-ITI TO BE ISSUED FROM BARI DEPOT DRAWERS WOOL. 10,000 MACKINAWS 5,000 COMFORTERS 10,000 (.) SECOND (.) TO US-ITI, FROM BARI DEPOT MACKINAWS 5,000, FROM NAPLES DEPOT DRAWERS WOOL 10,000, FROM ROME DEPOT COMFORTERS 10,000 (.) FOR NMIA LO 54 AREA SUP ONE HALF US-ITI ALLOTMENT TO NAPLES (.)

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S. B. Gracket

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HEADQUARTERS COMZONE, MTOUSA

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(910)

OUTGOING MESSAGE

DATE : 8 NOVEMBER 44
CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTED
PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE
ORIGINATED BY : QMC
TO : PEN BASE

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SIGNED LARKIN — Cite: SSQMC 1861

AGR 15 11 11 11

Ascertained that MMIA Liaison Officer NAPLES has been furnished detailed instructions concerning supply of Battle Dress Blouses referred to in cable PBS-31160 dated 6 November and that stock is available through MMIA channels.

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Note
This was handled with Lt Quinn

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COMZONE MTOUSA ADV

Date, Time
Reference No : 081335A
L-51431

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MESSAGE FORM AQ 15/11 910

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME ORIGIN
08 1541

TO: 54 AREA
REF NO. AQ/ 2165

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FOR MMIA LO (.) ADDITIONAL TEN THOUSAND EACH BLOUSES ED TROUSERS ED ALLOTTED TO ERI ITIS FROM BARI DEPOT STOCKS (.) THIS STOCK TO BE USED TO MEET CURRENT DEMANDS FROM ERI ITIS IN DISTHREE OR OTHER AREAS AUTHORIZED TO DEMAND ON YOU

PRECEDENCE Important

AUTHENTICATION JHP By 1414

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AQ 15/11 909

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME ORIGIN
08 1845

TO: PBS

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REF NO AT/

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FOR MMIA LO (.) ADDITIONAL X TEN THOUSAND EACH BLOUSES ED TROUSERS ED ALLOTTED TO ER ITIS EROM NAPLES DEPOT STOCKS (.) THIS STOCK TO BE USED TO MEET CURRENT DEMANDS FROM ERI ITIS IN DISTHREE OR OTHER AREAS AUTHORIZED TO DEMAND ON YOU

PRECEDENCE Important

AUTHENTICATION FRC Dmy

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

AQ/15/11 908/1

081900A

FR: MMIA

TO: DISTHREE

RPTD: FREEDOM Q/AE DISTHREE EAST PBS FOR MMIA 54 AREA FOR MMIA

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AQ/2163

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Refer Disthree Q3181 of 8 Nov not to PBS or 54 Area (.) FIRST (.) Plan now cleared with all concerned (.) 227 Div have been ordered through ITI channels to establish Div Sub Depot in West and new 230 Div now authorised to be set up in East for same purpose (.) Request you start 227 Div locating suitable building (.) SECOND (.) (A) Temporary measure is to MMIA LO Bari and Naples who are now issuing (.) Your OS 2/2012 of 3 Nov is relevant (.) (B) MMIA LOs will advise units (.) (C) Appreciate your assistance and will ask for help when needed especially in finding buildings for Sub Depots (.) (D) Stocks when available are being issued against indents (.) MMIA LOs Bari and Naples will advise Disthree East and Disthree of progress as often as you wish (.) THIRD (.) Agreed but everything possible being done (.) Can you spare staff officer to discuss in Rome (.) FOURTH (.) For MMIA LOs (.) Obtain copy Disthree Q 3181 from Disthree and Disthree East

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Precedence

Authenticated Mayor

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FROM DISTHREE Ø81146A

TO MMIA

INFO Q(AE) AFHQ " DISTHREE EAST

GR1ØØ BT

HEADQUARTERS
9 NOV 1944
A.

Q3181. RESTRICTED. CONFERENCE WITH NOAKES AT THIS HQ REFERS.
FIRST. ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF CLOTHING FOR BR-ITIS ARE STILL MOST UNSATISFACTORY. 227 DIV HAVE NOT RECEIVED FIRM INSTRUCTIONS.
SECOND. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO STATE (A) TO WHOM INDENTS SHOULD NOW BE SUBMITTED (B) HOW A DEMANDING UNIT KNOWS WHERE AND WHEN TO COLLECT.
(C) WHAT FURTHER ACTION IS REQUIRED BY THIS HQ TO ASSIST
(D) WHAT ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN TO MEET INDENTS ALREADY SUBMITTED AND WHAT UNITS HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED. THIRD. UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GIVE CONCISE INSTRUCTIONS TO UNITS AND URGENCY INCREASES DAILY

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RECE NR 4 1// Ø8/1315 A AAA BBB
SENT NR4 1315A MFB BB K

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LROT V LAE NR 94

QVR 2 .

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 0815000

TO MMIA LO REAR HQ EIGHTH ARMY

INFO MMIA

GR -- ET

PC/290 RESTRICTED . PLEASE ARRANGE FOR A GUARD DETAIL

TO REPORT THIS OFFICE TO ACCOMPANY TWO WAGGONS

CLOTHING BEING DISPATCHED TO YOU

THI 1535

SEN 251500A 2012A LS BB KKK

RECD 94 2012 REB AR

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LROF V LAEE NR 112

OVR 8

FROM DISTHREE 081847A

TO 52 AREA 54 AREA 56 AREA 94 SUB AREA

64 GRN 67 GRN

INFO DISTHREE EAST

GR 35 BT

Q3200 . RESTRICTED . INDENT FOR CLOTHING FOR BR-ITIS

WILL BE TAKEN BY UNITS REPS TO MMIA LO BARI

OR NAPLES AS APPLICABLE

THIS IS INTERIM MEASURE PENDING FINAL SET

UP OF ITALIAN MACHINERY TO HANDLE DOCUMENTATION

BT 081847A

SENT NR 112 2204A LS BBB KKK

NR 112 RECD 2204A PUB KK

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HEADQUARTERS SOS, NATOUSA

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AG 115/11

DATE : 7 NOV 1944
CLASSIFICATION : CONFIDENTIAL
PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE
FROM : PEN BASE

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INCOMING

Clothing and

ACTION COPY TO : QMC

"Edited Literal Text"

FOR ACTION : CG COMZONE MTOUSA

FOR INFO : AGC SARDINIA, MMIA

REFERENCE : AGS Y 36 of 1st NOVEMBER
8297 of OCTOBER 29th

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MESSAGE

Herein is paraphrased Radio AGS Y 46 Cite NONE dated 2nd November from AGC SARDINIA signed SIMMONS.

"Necessary for 205th Division upon arrival in NAPLES are 1,700 Battle Dress Blouses as Coaster AUSEL is still due to arrive. Your Radio 8297 of October 29th and Radio AGS Y 36 of 1st November are references."

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It is understanding (BAKER-BROWN telephone conversation 3rd November) that 205th Division is completely initially equipped. Request clarification.

REFERENCE NOT YET RECEIVED THIS HEADQUARTERS.

JR/gwn/062140-A

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In Reply Cite : NONE
Time Sent : 061957-A

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : N22/09
Classification : R
Precedence : R
From : AGC-SARDINIA
To : PBS-MMIA LO
MMIA (INFO)

HEADQUARTERS
0 NOV 1944
A. C.

Date | Time Rec'd : 091005
Date | Time Sent : 071757
Reference NR : [redacted]
Cite : AGS-Y-165

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PAREN TO PENBASE FOR MMIA LO [redacted] INFO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE FROM

AGC SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT CITE AGS YOKE ONE SIX FIVE PAREN CLOTHING AND

EQUIPMENT REFERRED TO IN ABLE GEORGE SUGAR YOKE ONE FOUR SEVEN OF SIX

NOVEMBER CONSISTS OF FIVE THOUSAND NECKTIES IN TWO BALES CVA SEVENTEEN

THOUSAND VESS TINS IN ONE SIX TWO CASES CVA SIX THOUSAND BELLY BANDS IN

TWELVE BALES CVA EIGHT THOUSAND ALUMINUV CUPS IN TWENTY ONE CASES CVA

TWO THOUSAND CANTEENS IN TWENTY CASES CVA SEVEN THOUSAND WOOLEN [redacted]

[redacted] SHIRTS IN FORTY SEVEN BALES CVA TWO THOUSAND WOOLEN BLOUSES IN FORTY

FIVE BALES CVA FIVE THOUSAND COLLARS IN TWO BALES CVA ALL OF ABOVE IS

ITALIAN CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT PD ALSO FIVE ONE EIGHT CASES CONTAINING

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FIFTEEN MACKINAWS EACH AND EIGHT FOUR EIGHT CASES CONTAINING EIGHTEEN MACKINAWS EACH FOR A [redacted] TOTAL OF TWO THREE ZERO THREE FOUR MACKINAWS [redacted] DYED GREEN PD THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL PORTION OF CLOTHING REFERRED TO IN LETTER ABLE QUEEN SLANT FIFTEEN SLANT ELEVEN OF SIXTEEN AUG FROM MMIA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: Clothing and Equipment for Guard Bns.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
Naples
AQ/4/NR

7 November 1944.

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

1. Reference our authorization notices sent to you under cover letter AQ/4/NR dated 1 November 1944 and your signals AQ 2068 dated 23 October 1944 and AQ 2083 dated 25 October 1944.

2. Completed issues this date to units mentioned in above reference with the following exceptions:

516 Guard Bn. Shirts Cotton, 910 from Allied Sources.
606 from Italian Sources.

Instead of 1516, shirts cotton 105-A

517 Guard Bn. Shirts Cotton, 910 from Allied Sources.
536 from Allied Sources.

Instead of 1446, shirts cotton 105-A

Towels were not issued.

521 Guard Bn. Forks and cups were not issued.

3. In compliance with your signals given as reference in paragreph one (1) above, the clothing and equipment was prepared for shipment with each package properly marked and sealed. Instructions were issued to each unit C.O. that he was responsible for clothing and equipment reaching destination.

GEORGE D. SMITH JR.
Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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" P " " P "
FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 071110A
TO MMIA
GR--
PC286(.) RESTRICTED(.) FOLLOWING CLOTHING AVAILABLE
FOR ACC (.) BLOUSES BD 3310 ØØØØØØ PIECES EQUALS 5627 LBS
CMA TROUSERS BD 5870 PIECES EQUALS 14088 LBS
1140
SENT NR8 07/1403A GEC B1 K

RECD NR 8 07/1403 A AAA B1

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LROF V LAE NR 92 P P

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA Ø717ØØA

TO MMIA LO DISTONE - ORD DISTONE

INFO MMIA- 35 AOD

CCX GR -- DT

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PC287. RESTRICTED. REF YOUR 04/13 DT0615ØØA.

FIGURESNOT UNDERSTOOD AS NUMBER OF WAGONS DESPATCHED COULD NOT

RPT NOT HOLD ALL ITEMS YOUR MENTION. 10000 EXTRA MACKINAWS WOULD

MEAN 500 EXTRAL BALES EQUALS TWO WAGONS WHICH WERE NOT DESPATCHED.

NY SIGNALS PC226 227 236 239

244 APPEAR TO BE CORRECT

DT 071700A

869 866 857

MSENT NR 92 07/2201A AY D K

RP NR (29// 92) " D LON " 2202 K K

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME ORIGIN

071515-A

TO: PENBASE
REPEATED PBS
COMZONE MTOUSA

REF NO: AQ/ 2154

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FOR MMIA LO (.) REFERENCE PENBASE 31160 AND AGSY 46 (.)
MMIA LO NAPLES WILL ISSUE ED BLOUSE TO 205 DIV ON ARRIVAL
NAPLES (.)

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION

Lee Leslie 4508 Sig C

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FROM AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS 070037

TO PBS

INFO AAF/MTO AAI MMIA AFHQ 3 and PBS pass to MOV NAPLES and to PBS FOR MMIA LO

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Following 205 Div personnel will be loaded on SS HIGHLAND PRINCESS (.) For PBS: 2nd Battalion 55 Labor Group, 31 offrs 1030 men 26 tons equipment; 2nd Battalion 51 Defense Group, 18 offrs 430 men 50 tons equipment; HQ 51 Defense Group, 7 offrs 47 men 5 tons equipment (.) For AAF/MTO: 2nd Line Guard Com any 52 Defense Group, 5 offrs 150 men 2.5 tons equipment; 1 section first Coy Carabinieri 52 Defense Group, 20 men (.) In addition will load 10 congedandi offrs and 100 tons clothing from 7th Base (breakdown and further details will follow in separate signal) escorted by 1 offr 15 men (.) ETA DUCO 8 Nov

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HEADQUARTERS COMZONE, NATOUSA

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

DATE : 6 NOVEMBER 44
CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTED
PRECEDENCE : ROUTINE
ORIGINATED BY : QMC
TO : PEN BASE, AAFSC/MTO
FOR ADRIATIC DEPOT

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SIGNED LARKIN — Cite : SSQMC-1798, SSODS

Class D textiles other than cotton and wool rags being transferred to MMIA will be priced at 10¢ per pound. This will include light canvas, webbing, raincoats and leather gloves.

Prices for cotton and wool rags were set in cable LX-50073 cite SSQMC 1676 dated 30th October current.

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COMZONE ADV

Date, Time :
Reference No : 061610A
LX-51172

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900/h

COPY TELEPRINTER-MESSAGE

November 2, 1944.

From : Military H.Q. of Sicily, "Servizi" Office.
To : Commissary G.H.Q., War Ministry, Rome.

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Ref. No 8457/03.

The Battle-dress of our units are for the most part completely faded (Dye). It is therefore urgent to see to the dyeing of them. Since there is a shortage of the dyes needed, locally, please would you ask Rome M.M.I.A. to have them alloted. Please also authorize purchase.

Gen. Mariotti.

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AQ/ce.

Military H.Q. of Sicily
"Servizi" Office.

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Ref. No 8458/03 P.M. 126, 2 November, 1944.
Subject: Dyeing of Battle Dress.
To : L.O., M.M.I.A., Palermo.

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Above, copy of teleprinter message sent on same date to War Ministry, Commissari Services G.H.Q., to obtain the raw materials needed to dye the Battle-Dress of our Troops.

Plesase would you kindly ask M.M.I.A., Rome, to have the said materials alloted to us, because they absolutely cannot be found on the local market.

We point out that in order not to create confusion amonst the units the dyeing will take place in small batches, possibly by civilian firms located where the same units are.

by order,

Sg A. Patti, Lt Col,
for Lt Col, Deputy Chief of Staff, Absent on duty.

No. 964 1st Ind.
LIAISON OFFICE LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C. (M.M.I.A.) % A.C. SICILIA REGION HQ.
A.P.O. 394 6 November 1944

TO: G.O.C. Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

1. Recommend approval of request in basic communication.

2. Director of Commissery M.H.S. advised this office that sufficient green dye is necessary to re-dye approximately 5000 battle dress (both blouses and Trousers) 898

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Col Inf
L O Sicily

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2/15/11 2nd Ind
HQ LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C. (MMIA), 11 November 1944.

TO: MMIA LO, Sicily & HQ Sicily Region AC, Palermo.

1. Dye is a critical item of supply. The re-dying of uniforms already issued to troops is not an operational necessity, and would be difficult unless issues in excess of the authorized scale of 1 uniform per man are made. Further, the release of odd lots of dye to civilian firms in localities where Units may be stationed would unnecessarily dissipate our short stock of dye.

2. The request for dye to re-dye battledress now issued to troops in Sicily is disapproved.

GEO A. SHIPLEY Lt.Col.
for Col. DA/QMG
Land Force Sub Comm
A.C. (MMIA)

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SUBJECT : Items of Clothing Not Suitable for the use of the Italian Army.

Original forwarded to Commander S.C. via Wet 7/11

AG 475/11

LIAISON OFFICER
NAPLES SECTOR

6 November 1944.

TO : Deputy G-4 MMIA, Rome.

1. Items of clothing not suitable for the use of the Italian Army that can be transferred to AC. The following list is submitted.

2. English items of clothing. ✓

Trousers, wool	No.	1454
Blouses, O.D., Wool	"	175

3. American items of clothing and equipment.
(a) Pieces

1.	Towels	No.	105
2.	Caps, wool	"	5605
3.	Blankets	"	201
4.	Gloves, wool	"	1400
5.	Gloves, leather	"	3200
6.	Suits, HBT	"	3795
7.	Coats, fatigue	"	2475
8.	Trousers, fatigue	"	7790
9.	Shirts, wool	"	4452
10.	Shirts, cotton	"	606
11.	Undershirts, cotton	"	1626
12.	Drawers, wool	"	1438
13.	Undershirts, wool	"	1338
14.	Drawers, cotton	"	2374
15.	Trousers, wool	"	1509
16.	Trousers, cotton	"	180

(b) Pounds

17.	Shirts, wool	lbs	340 ✓
18.	Trousers, wool	"	325 ✓
19.	Bags, barracks	"	935 ✓
20.	Trousers, fatigue	"	585 ✓
21.	Blouses, HBT	"	230 ✓

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22. Suits, HBT	lbs	165
23. Caps, fatigue	"	430
24. Raincoats	"	205
25. Field jackets	"	710
26. Gloves, wool	"	70
27. Gloves, leather	"	430
28. Socks, wool	"	540

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

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Subject: Stores Received from Bari

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCE SUB. COMM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES SECTOR
AC/4/SR/1

6 November 1944

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

878 874 867 871

1. Stores shipped from Bari, reference signals, FC/257, FC/248, FC/237, FC 243, were received with the following exception:

Wagon No. 1127766 contained 3380 Mackinaws, not 3400 and 440 comforters, not 450.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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will ORD please check with Bari.

1. Where was Party shipped
2. What Quantity were received
3. Who Requested the shipment and for what Purpose

Steps

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MMIA A2
FILE REF
Date

PRIORITY

LETTER PRIORITY

MSG Center No : W5816
Classification : SEC
Precedence : P
From : AGS
To : AFHQ

Date | Time Rec'd : 061724
Date | Time Sent : 061348
Reference NR :
Cite : AGS 1128

General

LOADED ON SUGAR SUGAR SALMON CHASE ARE ONE FOUR FIVE FOUR CASES

CONTAINING [BREAK TO PENBASE FOR WVIA LO ~~ATLANTIC~~ CO AND FOR INFO TO

~~WVIA RPT WVIA~~ FROV AGC ~~RPT AGC~~ SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS CITE OUR AGS

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RPT AGS YOKE ONE TWO EIGHT BREAK] TWO ONE NINE SIX ZERO ~~RPT~~ TWENTY

~~ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY~~ VACKINAWS ~~RPT VACKINAWS~~ WITH ONE

OFFICER AND SEVEN VEN ~~RPT OFF~~ ESCORTED EASY/TARE ABLE DUKO SEVEN

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : 9016
Classification : C
Precedence : R
From : AGC SARDINHA PENBASE
To : MMIA

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MMIA | AG
FILE REF | 1 4 11
Date Rec'd | 7 4

Date | Time Rec'd : 062213
Date | Time Sent : 061849
Reference NR : ~~T 96~~
Cite : NONE

HEREIN IS PARAPHRASED RADIO ABLE GEORGE SUGAR YOKE FOUR SIX CITE

NONE DATED TWO NOVEMBER FROM ABLE GEORGE CHARLIE SARDINIA SIGNED re A 8 1714

SIMMONS PAREN NECESSARY FOR TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION UPON ARRIVAL IN

NAPLES ARE ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO BATTLE DRESS BLOUSES AS COASTER AUSEL

[redacted] IS STILL DUE TO ARRIVE PD PAREN PENBASE THREE ONE ONE SIX

ZERO PD PENBASE TO COMZONE [redacted] MTOUSA FOR ACTION CMA ACC [redacted]

SARDINIA FOR INFO CMA MMIA FOR INFO PAREN 3. Hour FOUR RADIO EIGHT TWO NINE

SEVEN OF [redacted] OCTOBER TWO NINE AND RADIO ABLE GEORGE SUGAR

YOKE THREE SIX OF ONE NOVEMBER ARE REFERENCES PAREN PD IT IS

UNDERSTANDING PAREN BAKER DASH BROWN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION RPT

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DIVISION IS COMPLETELY INITIALLY EQUIPPED PD REQUEST CLARIFICATION PD

See folio 901 DRS

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FROM HMIA LO 54 AREA 061130A

TO DADOS 61 AREA HMIA LO DISTONE

INFO 35 AOD HMIA

QQY GR---BT

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FC/252 CONFIDENTIAL. WAG DISPATCHED 4 OCT. NO 62525

BOOTS CASES 52 EQUALS 1300 PAIRS BLOUSES BD BALES 28

EQUALS 1400 PIECES TROUSERS BD BALES 28 EQUALS 1400

PIECES SHIRTS BALES 25 EQUALS

2500. PIECES. ADDRESSED ADOS 61 AREA FOR DISTONE

BT 061130A

SENT NR7 06/1402A FE EE K

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FM CINCSOUTH NAPLES ITALY NR06/297 0VR2 00X GR53
TO CINCLAND VERONA LO 54 AREA
INFO CINCAFSOUTH NAPLES ITALY " DISTONE - ADOS 61 AREA.
FROM CINCLAND VERONA LO 1 DISTRICT 0S1500
0 4/13 REFERENCE YOUR SIGNALS ABOUT ITALIAN CLOTHING PO226 , 227, 236,
239,244 . ADOS 61 AREA IN SIGNAL 61A/0S/530 OF 3 TO ORD DISTONE REPORTS
569
N FOLLOWING CLOTHING RECEIVED AT 35 AOD . BOOTS 5,000 , COMFORTERS 7,200
SHIRTS 750 B D 4,300 DRAWERS WOOLLEN 19,000 SOCKS 2,700 CAPS 2,000
MACKINAWS 30,000 . CAN YOU EXPLAIN DIFFERENCES . SHIRTS URGENTLY REQUIRED
TMI 1700
CCN LAST WORD IN TEXT REQUIRED
SENT NR06/297 1735 TC AR TKS
RECD NR 06297 1735A J O E AR

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File Ref	151
Date Read	7/4/1

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FROM MAIN AAI 061745

TO MMIA

INFO CG 5 ARMY FOR BRIT ING FREEDOM

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7 "

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QUX GR -

O/ N QAE 7010

RESID. YOUR AQ2129 OF. 3 NOV REF CLOTHING URGENTLY REQUIRED

BRITISH 5 ARMY . REQUEST EIA

THI 1830

SENT RIH B 1

NR 471 RD 1845 (CACC) (K) " AR "

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FROM BR INC 5 ARMY 061629A

TO MMIA

GR 64 BT

REF NR 9074

RESTRICTED X QUEEN FOUR FOUR ONE X YOUR ABLE QUEEN TWO ONE TWO NINE OF THREE X PAREN FROM GEORGE FOUR BRITISH INCREMENT FIVEARMY TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE FOR ACTION PAREN REQUEST ITEMS CONSIGNED TO ABLE DOG OBOE SUGAR BRITISH INCREMENT FIFTH ARMY ON PACK ONE ZERO ABLE TO AREZZO X TO BE MARKED FOR BAKER ROGER HYPHEN ITEM TARE ITEM SUGAR

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SENT NR 3 06/1820A HWS B1

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

05 1800 A

From: MAIA

To: FREEDOM

Rpt: MAIN AAI BT INCR 5 ARMY

AQ 2145 891 RESTRICTED

REFTX FREEDOM Q(AR) FX 48465 OF 5 OCT (.) ACTION TAKEN ON 3 OCT TO COMPLETE 5 ARMY BRITT NEQUIREMENTS (.) MY AQ 2129 OF 3 NOV TO BR INCR 5 ARMY NOT TO ALL REFERS

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AUTHENTICATED

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File AQ 15/11.

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: 54 AREA,
DISTONE

DATE TIME ORIGIN

05 1510

REF NUMBER AQ. 2143.

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) REFERENCE AUTHORITY AC/61/430 of 31 OCT (.) REPLACEMENTS OF BR-ITIS STOCKS ISSUED TO ITI ITI TO BE CONSIGNED TO 35 AOD AND NOT ADOS 61 AREA (.) FOR BOURNE SIGNAL ACTUAL QUANTITIES LOANED BY DISTONE

PRECEDENCE Routine

AUTHENTICATION [signature]

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : 112/04
Classification : R
Precedence : R
From : AGC SARDINIA
To : MMIB

MMIB
File No 1211
Date

Date / Time Rec'd : 042005
Date / Time Sent : 041219
Reference NR : AGSY95
Cite :

H RECHECK OF BLANKETS IN MACOMER DEPOT OF ITALIAN ARMY SHOWS THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO BLANKETS ARE READY FOR SHIPMENT TO MAINLAND PD FOUR ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO NEW BLANKETS AND TWO TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO USED BLANKETS IN ADDITION ARE ON HAND PD SIX ZERO ZERO ZERO BLANKETS THAT NEED TO BE [redacted] REPAIRED ARE ALSO ON HAND PD [redacted] ONE THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO OLD BLANKETS CMA OF WHICH ABOUT EIGHT ZERO PERCENT CAN [redacted] CAN BE [redacted] REPAIRED ARE PRESENT PD THERE IS ALSO ABLE LARGE PILE OF SALVAGE BLANKETS CMA ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO CMA OF WHICH ABOUT ONE THIRD [redacted] CAN BE SALVAGED AND A [redacted] ISSUED PD NEW SUBJECT PD THERE IS ALSO PRESENT ABOUT TWO

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No :

Classification :

Precedence :

From :

To :

Date | Time Rec'd :

Date | Time Sent :

Reference NR :

Cite :

ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO PAIRS OF SHOE LACES PD DEPOT IS

NOW INCREASING ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO PAIRS FOR SHIPMENT TO

MAINLAND PD NEW SUBJECT PD ITEMS ON HAND IN MACOMER DEPOT NOW

AWAITING SHIPMENT WEIGH TWO ZERO ZERO DOG WILLIAM TONS PD (PAREN TO-

MIKE MIKO ITEM ABLE FOR SIMMONS FROM AGO SARDINIA SIGNED FONSETT

CITE AGO YOKE NINE FIVE (PAREN

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FROM LAKE 0211

Land forces SI 691
N73/05 5/76

LRKD V LAKE HR13 ROUTINE

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FROM LAKE 051249A

AFHQ

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TO MMIA

INFO AAI ER INC 5 ARMY

GR50 BT

MMIA	AG
FILE REF	15111
Date Rec'd	5/11

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RESTRICTED (.) FX48465 (.)

Q(AE) 6977 OF 3 NOV REIRS (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.)

REQUEST YOU TAKE URGENT ACTION TO MAKE THE REQUIREMENTS ER-ITIS

OF FIFTH ARMY AVAILABLE (.) WE HAVE MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU 20000

ED FOR DYING 20000 SHIRTS AND 10000 BOOTS (.) UNDERSTAND NONE

YET COLLECTED

BT

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SENT R13 051410A ME AR K
RECD WR 13 051410A J O E ....AR....

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Subject:- Clothing & Equipment for Italian personnel employed by British units.

MMIA FILE REF 15 A6 17 6 11

Army Sub Commission AGC.,
Main H.Q. (M.M.I.A).,
Italy.

304/1.

1. Great difficulty is being experienced in obtaining clothing and equipment for Italian personnel of No. 172 Italian Company administered by this unit. Indents which have been submitted through normal channels since July, 1944 have only partly been met with the result that the clothing of all ranks is now in a most deplorable condition, e.g.;

(a) More than 70% have no winter clothing and are still wearing drill.

(b) Of approximately 400 personnel on the establishment, 250 pairs of Boots are w/s and 114 have no Army Boots and are wearing sandals or civilian shoes.

(c) Socks are practically nonexistant and men have their feet wrapped in all sorts of rags.

(d) The same conditions apply to all other items of clothing and necessaries.

2. This Company is employed on maintenance of Signal Communications and their work necessitates their being out in all kinds of weather and at the present moment, it is impossible to obtain the best results from the men.

3. Under these circumstances, I should be glad if action could be taken by you to authorize the issue of clothing etc and issue instructions for its immediate despatch to, or collection by this unit.

4. I am attaching lists of items which are required to bring the personnel up to its authorized scale and if all the items are not available from Italian sources, it is requested that authority be obtained for their release from British Ordnance Stores.

Ref 828
AQ 18/1

P.M. Mitchell. Capt
Lieut. Col. R. Signals.
Commanding 15 L of C Signals.
(P.M.Mitchell).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : 101/04
Classification : S
Precedence : R
From : A7HQ
To : MMIA

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Date | Time Rec'd : 041930
Date | Time Sent : 041740
Reference NR : F48164
Cite : FHQDM

TUE ANCON ABLE HOW SEVEN SIX GAMKANSA CARRIES FOUR FIVE TONS [redacted]

DW CLOTHING FOR MMIA R[redacted] PD/REF NO FOX FOUR EIGHT ONE SIX FOUR

SIGNED SACMED ACTION TO MMIA R[redacted] ROME CITE FHQDM [redacted]

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SUBJECT: Clothing/Equipment of Italian Units

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
AQ/15/11
4 November 1944

TO: Director of Transportation,
Transportation Increment, C.M.F.

884/11

Ref. your T.N. A1/101/2 dated 1 November 1944.

1. The winter scale of blankets as laid down by A.F.H.Q. is two per man.

2. It is regretted therefore that the issue of a third blanket cannot be approved.

3. Please advise the number required by each Bn. to bring up to the authorized scale when every effort will be made to meet the deficiencies.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Lt. Col. AA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

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See folio 943/1 & pocket

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~~Quartier~~ Wattle must come from Br Lte Stocks

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from: CERSETI
5 : MMIA

Translation

ref. 614/SERV
3 11 1944

Subject: Clothing for 50 replacement troops sent to AREZZO for 160th Italian Pioneers Coy.

On verbal request of Maj. SUYS this HQ has sent, on October 5th, to AREZZO 50 replacement troops for 160th Italian Pioneers Coy.-

While waiting the 50 clothing sets requested by Lt Col. BOSTOCK ADL-ROME-AAC, 50 sets of this HQ were issued to clothe the pack troops for 5th + 8th Army.-

The items issued are the following:

from Allied sources		from ITI sources	
50	jackets	50	knapsacks
50	trousers	50	haversacks
50	boots	50	water bottles
50	caps	50	mess-tins
50	belts	50	spoons
100	shirts	50	k of stars

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The items issued are the following:

from Allied sources	from ETI sources
50 jackets	50 knapsacks
50 trousers	50 haversacks
50 boots	50 water bottles
50 caps	50 mess-tins
50 belts	50 spoons
100 shirts	50 pr of stars.-
100 vests	
100 drawers	
100 pr. of socks.	

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Since the 50 sets issued on request made by Lt. Col. BOSTOCK comprise only the following items:

50 jackets
50 trousers
50 boots
50 caps

T.T.O.

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we beg M.M.I.A. kindly to see that the rest of the items which have been issued be given back to complete a/m 50 clothing sets. —

Col DONADONI

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COMANDO CENTRO RACCOLTA E RIORDINAMENTO SETTORE TIRRENICO "CERSETI"
= Ufficio Servizi =

nº 614 /Serv. di prot. P.M. 151, li 3/11/1944

O G G E T T O: vestiario per 50 complementi avviati ad Arezzo per 160ª Cp. Ital. Pionieri Lavoratori.=

AQ

ALL'ARMY SUB COMMISSION-MAIN H.Q. (M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

14/11

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In seguito a richiesta verbale del maggiore Sugg questo Comando ha approntato ed, in data 6 ottobre u.s. ha avviato ad Arezzo 50 complementi per la 160ª Cp. Ital. Pionieri Lavoratori.

Per la loro vestizione, in attesa fossero assegnate le relative 50 serie di vestiario richieste dal L.T.Col. BOSTOCK dell'A.D.L. - Roma - A.A.C., furono distribuite 50 serie di quelle a disposizione di questo Comando per l'approntamento dei salmeristi destinati alla 5ª e 8ª Armata, e comprendenti i seguenti oggetti:

di provenienza alleata		di provenienza italiana	
- nº	50 giubbotti	- nº	50 borse tattiche
- "	50 pantaloni	- "	50 tascapani
- "	50 p. di stivaletti	- "	50 borracce
- "	50 berretti	- "	50 gavette
- "	50 cinghie per pantaloni	- "	50 cucchiai
- "	100 camicie	- "	50 p. di stellette
- "	100 magliette		
- "	100 mutandine		
- "	100 p. di calze		

Poichè le 50 serie assegnate per interessamento del L.T. Col. BOSTOCK comprendono soltanto i seguenti oggetti:

- nº 50 giubbotti
- " 50 pantaloni
- " 50 p. di scarpe
- " 50 berretti

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di provenienza alleata		di provenienza italiana	
- nº	50 giubbotti	- nº	50 borse tattiche
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- "	50 berretti	- "	50 gavette
- "	50 cinghie per pantaloni	- "	50 cucchiai
- "	100 camicie	- "	50 p. di stellette
- "	100 maglie tte		
- "	100 mutandine		
- "	100 p. di calze		

Poichè le 50 serie assegnate per interessamento del I.T. Col. BOSTOCK comprendono soltanto i seguenti oggetti:

- nº 50 giubbotti
- " 50 pantaloni
- " 50 p. di scarpe
- " 50 berretti

prego il cortese interessamento di codesta Commissione affinchè siano restituiti gli altri oggetti distribuiti, in quanto essi sono necessari per utilizzare le anzidette 50 serie di vestiario non complete.

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IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
(Umberto Donadoni)

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SUBJECT:- Equipment - PR-TTI Units

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3 District
Ext 19
485 Q

5 Nov 44

HQ MMIA HOME (6)

Q 52 Area	(4)	
54 Area	(4)	
56 Area	(2)	
94 Sub Area	(2)	
64 Gen	(2)	
67 Gen	(2)	
3 District Eastern Dec	(6)	
MMIA LO DARE	(2)	
MMIA LO NAPLES	(2)	
E	(2)	
ST	(2)	
Ord	(2)	
Lab	(2)	

Ref conversation Lt Cols GOODWIN - NOAKES

You are requested to arrange issues to PR-TTI Units in accordance with priority list given at Appx 'A'.

Duncan Maj

for Maj Gen
Comd
(J.M. TAIT)

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Appendix 'A' to HQ 3 District Lo tor 405 Q dated 3 Nov 44

PRIORITY LIST OF EQUIPMENT FOR [illegible]-TFI UNITS

PRIORITY	UNIT		
1.	931 Lav Art Coy	129 Pnr Lab Coy	
	901 Lav Art Coy	130 " " "	
	1006 GT Coy	131 " " "	
	1007 GT Coy	132 " " "	
	301 Amn Coy	133 " " "	
	302 Amn Coy	134 " " "	
	425 Amn Coy		
2.	906 Rep Lav Art Coy	179 Pnr Lab Coy	
	909 Rep Lav Art Coy	180 " " "	
	55 Artiori Coy	181 " " "	
	1002 GT Coy	182 " " "	
	1003 GT Coy	183 " " "	
	409 RVT	184 " " "	
	426 Amn Coy	185 " " "	
	403 TVT	186 " " "	
	412 TVP	187 " " "	
	177 Pnr Lab Coy	188 " " "	
	178 " " "		
3.	910 Rep Lav Art Coy	504 Smoke Coy	
	932 Lav Art Coy	505 " "	
	404 Mt Stores Coy	506 " "	
	501 Smoke Coy	510 " "	
	503 Smoke Coy		
4.	913 Rep Lav Art Coy	140 Pnr Lab Coy	
	916 " " " "	141 " " "	
	407 Tech Stores Coy	142 " " "	
	135 Pnr Lab Coy	143 " " "	
	136 " " "	144 " " "	
	137 " " "	145 " " "	
	138 " " "	146 " " "	
	139 " " "		
5.	904 Lav Art Coy	150 Pnr Lab Coy	
	905 " " "	151 " " "	
	908 Rep Lav Art Coy	152 " " "	
	418 Rat Stores Coy	165 " " "	
	147 Pnr Lab Coy	166 " " "	
	148 " " "	167 " " "	
	149 " " "	168 " " "	
6.	Artiori Coy	171 Pnr Lab Coy	
	162 " "	172 " " "	
	916 Rep Lav Art Coy	173 " " "	
	135 Forestry Coy	174 " " "	
	1400 Trg Est	175 " " "	
	169 Pnr Lab Coy	176 " " "	
	170 " " "		

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SUBJECT:- Clothing and Equipment for Br-Itis. ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

TEL No. FREEDOM 295.

AFHQ/9187/3(AG).

3 Nov.44.

A-G 15/11

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H.Q.,
A.A.I.

Reference your A.07/4(AG) dated 20 Oct 44.

1. Since receipt of your letter a Conference has been held at this HQ with M.M.I.A. on the subject of supply of clothing to Br-Itis. A copy of the minutes is being sent under separate cover. M.M.I.A. Signal AQ 2088 of 26 Oct has also been received and agreed in principle.

2. A considerable quantity of clothing has been put at the disposal of M.M.I.A. and in addition M.M.I.A. have agreed that clothing held and intended for issue to Iti-Itis (sufficient until June 1945) shall be regarded as immediately available for Br-Itis. It is understood there is now sufficient available to meet immediate requirements. Ord have been instructed to make available certain quantities of Grade III clothing from time to time to meet maintenance. It is hoped this will be adequate to bridge the gap between the total quantity required and the quantity which can be supplied by the Italian Government.

3. The points raised in your letter are mainly ones with which M.M.I.A. must deal, but the following comments are made :-

(a) Tentage.
No can be made available except at direct expense of British Army requirements. The tentage now urgently needed by British Army needs does not at present exist in Italy.

(b) Blankets.
The same remarks apply as at (a) above.

(c) Dubbin, Grindery & Cobblers Tools.
Availability is not known by the Staff at present. If however the Italian Government cannot supply the requirements of these items M.M.I.A. should approach Ord for such aid as their stocks permit.

(d) Capes A/G.
There are no stocks of unserviceable capes A/G. It will mean using the reserve of A/G Equipment held in Italy. Would you be agreeable to this ?.

(e) One Bush Shirt cotton - in lieu of one shirt cotton.
One pair trousers KD.

It is regretted the present supply situation is so critical that no increase in scale can be agreed. There is now sufficient KD for all Br-Itis at present employed.

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4. It is noted you consider the channel of supply through M.M.I.A. is not practicable. It is hoped that under the revised procedure the system will be improved. It is the policy as laid down by the C.C.S. that all classes of Italians shall ultimately be the full responsibility of the Italian Government. To put the burden on Ord now would be contrary to that policy.

R.G. Thurburn

R.G. THURBURN, Colonel,
for Major General, G-4 (Hr).

RWB/FF.

COPY TO M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT:- Clothing for the Italian Army. ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

TEL No. FREEDOM 427.

M.A. / A. | A/Q | FILE REF | 15/11 | Date Rec'd | 6/11

AFHQ/9187/9(AG).

3 Nov. 44.

M.M.T.A. / — 753 Cathcart

Reference your AQ/15/11 dated 22 Sep 44 para 6.

1. Efforts to trace the 155,156 Jerseys Pullover in Ordnance Depots have to date proved unsuccessful. It has been stated that the bulk of this consignment marked "ATTI" was delivered direct to M.M.T.A.

2. May the following lorry numbers be checked with your records and at the same time will you please ascertain whether "D.MACDONELL" who signed the convoy note, is, or was, a member of your staff.

Lorry No's	1327780	1305383
	141515	1332324
	464985	1328193
	1332497	462254.

D.S.A. CLARKE, J.Comd.
for Major General, G-4.(Ty).

PSAO/FD.

Refused

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Vestiario

Divisione
Sez. 1ª 20341 Allegati

P.M. 151, 3 NOV 1944 VI - 1

ALL'OSPEDALE MILITARE DI
CASERTA IN MADDALONI
e, per conoscenza:
ALLA M.M.I.A. ROMA
ALLO S.M.R.E.-Uff.Servizi
P.M. 151

(rif. foglio 1691.3/8776 in data 17/9/1944)

OGGETTO
Richiesta vestiario di provenienza alleata.
Request for Allied clothing

La M.M.I.A. ha restituito, non autorizzata, la richiesta n.497 di prot. in data 27 agosto u.s., di codesto Ospedale, per la distribuzione di 100 camicie e 100 paia di scarpe di provenienza alleata, perchè alle necessità di codesto ente deve provvedere il P.B.S. con le assegnazioni fattegli dalla M.M.I.A. stessa.

P. IL MINISTRO

M.M.I.A.
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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: REAR FIVE ARMY
RPT PBS

DATE TIME ORIGIN

RESTRICTED 23 1630

REF NO: AQ/ 2127

FOR MMIA LO (.) FOR G4 BRITISH INCREMENT (.) REFER 2054 DATED ONE NOV (.) PURPOSE RAIL MAJORITY ITEMS FROM NAPLES IN NEXT FEW DAYS (.) SIGNAL CONSIGNEE URGENTLY (.) FOR NAPLES MMIA (.) DETAILS FOLLOW

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATION [signature]

See folio 893

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LR 23rd A.A. SIGNALS

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MAIA

Q3 5 ARMY FOR BRITISH INCREMENT

Q(AE) 6977

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RESTRICTED(.) Ref this HQ Q(AE) 6909 dated 24 Oct (.)

FIRST(.) Present strength BRITIS 5 Army is 9000 and further pnr coys due (.) Requirements stated this HQ Q(AE) 6893 of 22 Oct still stand in full (.)

SECOND(.) Following additional items requested (.) Within scale pullovers 2000 undershirts 2500 drawers 1400 boots prs 4000 towels 1600 (.) Outside scale bivouacs 1750 considered essential pack tpt and other units (.)

THIRD(.) Request items in FIRST and SECOND above be made available earliest

Distribution:- Sigs
Ord
Master
3665/Q(AE)

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RESTRICTED(.) Ref this HQ Q(AS) 6909 dated 24 Oct (.)

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Distribution:- Sigs
Ord
Master
3565/Q(AS)

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Translation

From: MdW 15/11 Ref: 2974/E/Ri
To : "Commissariato" CAMPANIA Date: 2 Nov. 1944

Subject: Allied supplies for Italian troops.

In accordance with verbal agreement made with AMIA (Lt. Col. SHIPLEY), the Allied Clothing which cannot be repaired must be made available to the A.C. (for the civilian population), just as is being done with unusable shoes.

We should also like to ask, confirming the verbal directives given to Capt. VENTRELLA, that a sufficient amount of rags be sent, as soon as possible, to the ROME "Commissariato" to be used as background for 10,000 insignia for the pack units which are being urgently made ready.

AMIA, Rome, has been informed.

EBS.

S/ PELLIGRA.

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MMIA FILE REF AG 15 11 Date Recd

Roma, - 2 NOVEMBRE 1944

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
Ispettorato

N. di Prot. 297/74/I/Rif. Sped.
Allegati

Risposta al Foglio N. 10375
del 14/10/c.a.

Al LA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO
DEL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA
= P. M. 120 =

OGGETTO **Materiali alleati destinati alle truppe italiane.=**
Allied Materiel for Italian Troops

e, per conoscenza;

ALLA M.M.I.A.
= ROMA =

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO MILITARE DEL LAZIO, UMBRIA E ABRUZZI
= P. M. 151 =

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
= P. M. 67 =

AGLI UFFICI STACCATI RICUPERI -presso le Dir.di Comm/to Mil.di
= NAPOLI e BARI =

In conformità agli accordi verbali presi con la M.M.I.A. (T.Col.Shipley), i materiali di vestiario alleato non suscettibili di alcuna riparazione dovranno essere messi a disposizione dell'A.C. (per la popolazione civile), analogamente a quanto praticato per le calzature non adoperabili.

Con l'occasione, ed a conferma delle disposizioni date verbalmente al Capitano Ventrella, pregasi disporre che un congruo quantitativo di pezzame sia avviato al più pre

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La M.M.I.A. di Roma, è stata informata.

PEL MINISTRO

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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MSG Center No : N81/6L
Classification :
Precedence : P
From : AGC-SARDINIA A
To : PBS-MMIA

PRIORITY

Date | Time Rec'd : 021803
Date | Time Sent : 021495
Reference NR : AGS-Y-96
Cite : —

BREAK TO PENBASE AND FOR INFO TO MMIA [redacted] FROM AGC [redacted]

SARDINIA SIGNED SIVVONS REF NR AGS [redacted] YOKE FOUR SIX BREAK

REFERENCE (YOUR CABLE EIGHT TWO NINE SUGAR DATED TWO OCTOBER) PD

MASTER AUSEL [redacted] HAS [redacted] NOT YET ARRIVED PD REFERENCE OUR

CABLE GEORGE SUGAR YOKE THREE SIX DATED ONE NOVEMBER PD APPROXIMATELY ONE

SEVEN ZERO ZERO [redacted] DYED [redacted] BATTLE DRESS

BLOUSES WILL NEED TO BE PROVIDED IN NALLES FOR TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION

PD REQUEST YOU HANDLE PD

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SUBJECT: Pilferage; Loss of Stores in Transit.

"Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)"
AQ/15/11
2 November 44

TO: MMIA LO NAPLES

283 Division

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Ref your MM/121 of 30 October 1944.

1. Copy of letter received from Lt.Col. MORIARITY, together with proceedings of C of I in respect of loss of stores in transit is passed to you for investigation.

2. The stores referred to left NAPLES in waggon No. 1004287, despatch note No. 13995 of 15 Sept, and waggon No. 1130538 despatch note No. 19864/2 of 27 Oct 44.

3. Please return with the result of your inquiries.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Lt.Col.AA/QMG
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)

Copy to: MMIA ORD

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: REAR HQ EIGHTH ARMY

DATE TIME ORIGIN

02 1445

REF NO: AQ/2121

RESTRICTED

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FOR MMIA LO (.) REF MM/121 OF 30 OCT (.) WILL REPLACE PILFERED ARTICLES (.) CONFIRM SHIPMENT ANCONA SATISFACTORY

PRECEDENCE Important

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Subject : Clothing and Equipment of Italian Units.

M.M.I.A. FILE REF. 15/11 Date Recd 3/XI

Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.
Tel: Firebox Ext 44.
Outside line: 843234.
TN.A.1/101/2.

1 November 1944.

To : Army Sub-Commission, M.M.I.A.,
H.Q., A.C.C.

The 2nd Italian Rly. Engr. Group consisting of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 13th Bns has a total strength of 2625 all ranks. They are still equipped with the summer scale of blankets i.e. 2 per man and in fact are deficient of that scale as they hold only 3699 in all.

These battalions are now all working in the forward area. Some are now under canvas and all may at any time have to move to areas where billets are unobtainable.

It is therefore requested that a third blanket per man be issued as soon as possible. The total requirement to include the making up of present deficiencies is 4176 blankets.

The locations of the Bn. H.Q. are:-

No. 1 Bn. - Arezzo.
No. 2 Bn. - Ardenza (Leghorn).
No. 3 Bn. - Pisa.
No.13 Bn. - Senegallia.

(E.L.Parkes)
Colonel
for Brigadier
Director of Transportation.

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FROM CZ MO// MTOUSA Ø11812A

TO MMIA

INFO AFHQ PENBASE

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M.M.I.A. File Per Date Rec'd 15 11 2 11

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CONFIDENTIAL (PAREN LOVE XRAY FIVE ZERO FOUR ZERO EIGHT CITE SSTPN ONE NINE THREE EIGHT FROM COMZONE MTOUSA SIGNED LARKIN FOR ACTION MMIA FOR INFO AFHQ CLN PEN BASE PAREN) CLOTHING BALED CMA FIVE HUNDRED TONS AT LEVY RPT LEVY IS SUBJECT CLN REQUEST HAS BEEN MADE TO HAVE THIS CLOTHING SHIPPED FROM LEVY RPT LEVY TO DUKO RPT DUKO CMA AND TONNAGE IS BEING SET UP PD REQUEST SHIPPING ORDERS BE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUGAR OBOE SUGAR CIRCULAR NUMBER ONE ONE ZERO AND FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS PROMPTLY

BT Ø11812A

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RD NR 1 1Ø2Ø37A F A AR TKS

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FROM BR INCR 5 ARMY

TO AAI

INFO MMIA

REF NR 2055

RESTRICTED X Q400 X YOUR Q(AE) 6909 OF 24 OCTOBER AND MMIA MESSAGE AQ/2070 OF 23 OCTOBER X OF QUANTITIES STATED FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY 210 DIVISION OR DRAWN DIRECT FROM BARI X

MACKINAWS	4000	
COMFORTERS	4000	
UNDERSHIRTS	2000	
DRAWERS	8500	
TROUSERS BATTLEDRESS		3000
BLOUSES BATTLEDRESS		3000
SHIRTS	600	
SOCKS	5000	
CAPS	350	
BOOTS	6500	

(FROM G-4 BR INCR 5 ARMY TO AAI FOR ACTION AND MMIA FOR INFO) PRESENT STRENGTH BRITISH IN 5 ARMY AREA INCLUDING CERTAIN UNITS UNDER YOUR COMMAND IS APPROXIMATELY 9000 AND FURTHER PIONEER COMPANIES DUE TO ARRIVE X REQUIREMENT STATED IN YOUR QAE 6893 OF 22 OCTOBER TO AFHQ THEREFORE STANDS IN FULL X IN ADDITION FOLLOWING EXTRA REQUIREMENTS NOW NOTIFIED X WITHIN SCALE

PULLOVERS	2000
UNDERSHIRTS	2500
DRAWERS	1400
BOOTS	4000
TOWELS	1600

OUTSIDE SCALE BIVOUACS 1750 ESSENTIAL FOR PACK TRANSPORT AND OTHER UNITS X REQUEST ALL POSSIBLE ACTION TAKEN TO MAKE NECESSSARY

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FROM BR INCR 5 ARMY Ø1212ØA

TO AAI

INFO MMIA

GR 261~~NV~~

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MMIA AQ
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RESTRICTED X QUEEN FOUR ZERO ZERO X YOUR QUEEN PAREN ABLE ~~AFI~~ EASY PAREN SIX NINE ZERO NINE OF TWO FOUR OCTOBER AND MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE MESSAGE ABLE QUEEN SLANT TWO ZERO SEVEN ZERO OF TWO THREE OCTOBER X 842
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CMS REP
Date Rec'd 15 11 44
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Subject: Indent for Clothing

LIAISON OFFICER
M.M.I.A.
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/NR

31 October 1944

To: M.M.I.A.
Rome

1. Forwarded herewith for necessary action is indent for 906 Reparto Lav. Art. under cover 3 District letter OS2/2012 of 27 Oct.

2. It will be noted that the indent is not according to scale, and imcludes items not on the British allotment.

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

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AC/4/NR

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Rome

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GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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Subject:- Issue to Italian Units.

3 District
Ext. 64.
032/2012
27 Oct. 1944.

H.Q. K.K.I.A.,
Southern Region.

The attached indents for Clothing for 906 Reparto Lav. Art are forwarded for urgent action.

Col
DDOS
(M.E.J. BREWER)

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INDENT FOR ORDNANCE STORES

ARMY FORM G.1994
(In Books of 100)

Indent No. 1. Date 23rd Oct '44 Corps 906 REP. LAV. ART.

To be sent to To arrive by

I certify that the following articles are actually required to complete to authorised scale:
(a) As a first supply; (b) To replace others lost through the exigencies of the campaign;
(c) To replace others rendered unserviceable through the exigencies of the campaign.

Signed Reparto Tec. Rip. Campale Approved for issue

Commanding Capt for

For A.O.D. use only

ISSUE No.

Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use
BOOTS ANKLE PRS.		
SIZE 7 M.	11.	
" 8 M	11.	
SOCKS WORSTED PRS		
SIZE 1.	144	
" 2.	144	
BLANKETS G.S.	144	
SHIRTS ANGOLA DRAB		
SIZE 1	15.	
" 2.	15.	
JERSEY PULLOVERS.		
SIZE 1.	190	
" 2	54	
VESTS WOOLLEN.		
SIZE 1.	100	
" 2	188	
CAPS FS.		
DYED GREEN		
SIZE 6 7/8	30	360
" 7.	28.	

P.S.S. « A » 161 - 10.000 pads - 12-43

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ARMY FORM G. 994
(In Books of 150)

INDENT FOR ORDNANCE STORES

Date 23rd Oct 1942 Co's 906 REP. LAV. ART

Indent No. 3. To arrive by

For A.O.D. use only

ISSUE No.

Sent to

I certify that the following articles are actually required to complete to authorised scale:
(a) As a first supply; (b) To replace others lost through the exigencies of the campaign;
(c) To replace others rendered unserviceable through the exigencies of the campaign.

Signed Reparto Ten. Ugo Cayuela Approved for issue

Commanding O.C. No 11 Artisan Works Coy

Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use
BLOUSES B.D.		
DYED GREEN.		
SIZE 3	10.	
4	20.	
6	20.	
8	8.	
9		
TROUSERS B.D.		
DYED GREEN		
SIZE 3	10.	
4	20.	
6	20.	
8	8	

Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use
GREATCOATS D.M.		
DYED GREEN		
SIZE 1	5.	
2	20.	
3	20.	
4	4	
5	6.	
DRAWERS WOOLLEN		
SIZE 1	100	
2	188	

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TIME DATE ORIGIN

1535 31

TO: REAR HQ 8 ARMY

REF NO: AQ 2112

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM MOV WESTRAIL (.)
QUOTE (.) REF MOVWIT TO/T/291 WAGON 251004 DEP FOLIGNO 0600 HRS
28 SEP (.) UNQUOTE

PRECEDENCE Important

AUTHENTICATION F A Holloway

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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MSG Center No : N307/31
Classification : 6 OP
Precedence : PBS-MMIA
From : AGC-SARDINIA
To : MMIA [redacted] A

CP-PRIORITY
IMMEDIATE

Date | Time Rec'd : 312332
Date | Time Sent : 311110
Reference NR : F306
Cite :

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YOUR INFORMATION ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR SHIPPING LEVY DUKO [redacted]

[redacted] ON OR BEFORE THREE NOVEMBER BALANCE FIVE ZERO ZERO TONS CLOTHING

REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT THREE ZERO SIX PAREN TO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA

INFO [redacted] MMIA FROM PBS MMIA [redacted] LIAISON OFFICER

PAREN AS LISTED MMIA [redacted] LETTER ABLE QUEEN SLASH ONE

FIVE SLASH ONE ONE OF ONE SIX AUGUST

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From :- Mov. L.O. (MMIA).

To :- AQ (attn Major Cole - your AQ/15/11 of 10/9 refers.)
Float File.

31 Oct 44. AQ/15/11

Move of clothing and Equipment.

Following is copy of MOV WESTRAIL signal MRH/4/5/23 dated 29 Oct 44.

FROM MOV WESTRAIL.

TO MOV ANCONA. MOV ROME. MOVWIT. MOV AAI. MMIA.

MRH/4/5/23 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref MOVWIT TO/T/291 wagon 251004 dep FOLIGNO 0600 hrs 28 Sep (.)

Capt RE.
Mov. L.O.

Referred to Movers
31 Oct

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M.M.I.A. AG
File No. 15/11
Date Rec'd 2/11

879/1

SUBJECT:- Clothing.

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
c/o Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/121

30 Oct 44

HQ MMIA Rome.

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1. I regret that my MM/121 of 18 Oct 44 was written on a misapprehension that has only now been corrected.
The two waggons containing articles released on your authorisation 61/330 of 22 Sep 44 did arrive.

2. These consignments had been heavily pilfered enroute, being unsealed and unguarded. The enclosed proceedings of Courts of Enquiry show the following shortages :-

Blouses B/D	890	instead of	1500
Trousers B/D	1090	" "	1500
Boots	1467	" "	1500
Shirts	2340	" "	3000
Socks	1100	" "	3000
Caps	1000	" "	1500

3. Proceeding No.2 enclosed refers to your release 61/258 and shows a deficiency of 310 Trousers B/D and 36 prs of Boots, and takes on charge 150 Blouses B/D and 50 Trousers, cotton, included in this consignment in error.

4. I further enclose the monthly Depot account which, taking the above discrepancies into account, closes with a Stock State as at 25 Oct 44. of .

Blouses B/D	-	1028
Trpusers B/D	-	593
Boots	-	3892
Shirts	-	1737
Belts		

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Boots	-	3892	
Shirts	-	1737	
Belts	-	1425	
Blouses HBT	-	1603	
Trousers HBT	-	1379	
Suits HBT	-	29	355
Drawers, cotton	-	10392	
Trousers, cotton	-	Nil	
Socks, cotton	-	Nil	
Caps, wool	-	Nil	

Lt-Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

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Orig in HQ/2/15 879

30 Oct.

AP/15/11

FROM: COM ZONE NATOUSA

TO : PBS AAFSC/MTO FOR AD

INFO: MMIA

CONFIDENTIAL (LX 50073 cite SSQMC--1676 FROM COMZONE NATOUSA SIGNED LARKEN FOR ACTION PBN BASE, AAFSC/MTO FOR ADRIATIC DEPOT FOR INFO MMIA)

GRANTED IS AUTHORITY REQUESTED IN CABLE PBS 30609 cite BPSUP DATED 28 OCTOBER 1944.

PRICES FOR SALE OF CLASS D GARMENTS AND EQUIPAGE AS RAGS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: COTTON RAGS INCLUDING MATERIAL FROM WINTER UNDERWEAR, TEN CENTS PER POUND. WOOL RAGS, THIRTY CENTS PER POUND. (

GARMENTS REPARABLE TO CLASS X ARE TO BE INVOICED AT THIRTY FIVE PERCENT OF LIST PRICE OF NEW ARTICLES . CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT ORIGINALLY CLASSIFIED AS CLASS X OR REPAIRED TO CLASS X WILL BE TRANSFERRED AT FIFTY PERCENT OF LIST PRICE OF NEW ARTICLES.

RELATED SUBJECT FOR AAFSC/MTO FOR ADRIATIC DEPOT:

PARAPHRASE OF ABOVE REFERRED TO CABLE FOLLOWS: AUTHORITY IS DESIRED TO TURN OVER CLASS D CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE TO ITALIAN MILITARY THROUGH MMIA BY THE POUND IN LIEU OF BY THE ITEM. ALTHOUGH SME OF THE ITEMS ARE REPAIRABLE BY THE ITALIAN MILITARY, A LARGE PERCENTAGE ARE UNREPAIRABLE. THIRTY FIVE PERCENT OF COST AS FIGURE FOR TRANSFER IS NOT SATISFACTORY TO ITALIAN MILITARY. NOT FEASIBLE TO BREAK CLASS D DOWN IN TWO CLASSIFICATION. AMER ITALIAN ARE BEING FURNISHED CLASS X CLOTHING AT THIRTY FIVE PE OF COST AT PRESENT

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 301645A

TO PBS FOR MMIA LO

INFO MMIA

QQX GR-- BT

PC/257 RESTRICTED . DISPATCHED NAPLES 30 OCT .

WAG USA 2222703 BALES COMFORTERS 140 EQUALS 1400

PIECES WAG E1021723 BALES COMFORTERS 25 EQUALS 250 PIECES BALES

BOOTS 80 EQUALS 2000 PRS WAG 10350 BALES BOOTS 120 EQUALS 3000

PRS

THI 1800

SENT NR36 30/2340A VG

RCD NR36 30/2340A HRA KK

Army S/C 878

G565

AG 15/11

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A. C. C.

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME ORIGIN

20 0900

FROM: MMIA

TO: REAR HQ 8 ARMY

REF NO: AQ/ 2106

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED MOV ROME (.)
QUOTE REF MOVNIT TO/T/291 OF 24 (.) WAGONS DEP TIBURTINA
27 SEPT FOR ANCONA 251004 1240 HRS 1130538 0210 HRS UNQUOTE (.)
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AUTHENTICATION

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SUBJECT: Clothing Italian Military Personnel

Military Mission
Italian Army
R O M E
AQ/15/11
30 October 44

TO: Comd 12 CRE Works

904, 905 Lav. Art Coys 863/2

Ref your letter 12 CRE/A/30 dated 26Oct, addsd CE 5 Dist.

1. It has been confirmed that indents for clothing of Italian tps under Br Comd. will be processed through this HQ., and releases approved from stocks made available from British Sources.

2. Please instruct the a/m coys to submit their demands to Ministry of War on attached Pro Forma. If a copy is forwarded this HQ., action will be taken to expedite release.

P.A. COLE, Major
for Lt.Col. AA/QMG
Military Mission
Italian Army

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Copy to: CE Three Dist & MMIA LO 54 Area

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: REAR HQ 8 ARMY

REF NO AQ/ 2104

DATE TIME ORIGIN

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) YOUR MM/121 OF 18 (.) MOV ANCONA REPORT WAGON 1130538 RECEIVED JESI (.) XXXXX OFF LOADED BY 228 DIV 28 SEPT (.) NOW TRACING WAGON 651004 WILL ADVISE YOU RESULT

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION

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LRKB V LAEE NR 16 " P P "

QVR -2

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 291545A

INFO MMIA

QQX GR--BT

PC248 RSTRICTED

DISPATCHED NAPLES 29 OCT WAG 1014035

~~BALVX~~ BALES COMFORTERS 15// 160 EQUALS 1600 PIECES WAG

144645 BALES COMFORTERS 150 EQUALS 1500 PIECES

THI 1710

SENT NR 16 29/1824A VG BB

RECD NR 16 29/1824 A AAA AR

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'O' 30/29

FROM : AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS 290916

TO (ACTION) : PENBASE FOR MMIA LO

(INFO) : MMIA

M.M.I.A.	AQ
FILE REF	1511
Date Recd	29/10/1

AGS Y 717 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REFERENCE MMIA CABLE AQ/2095 (.) — 868

CRUISER ABRUZZI DUE LEVY 29 OCTOBER WITH CLOTHING FOR 205 DIVISION NOT ARRIVED (.) REQUEST IMMEDIATE INFORMATION AS TO ETA CLOTHING

URGENT

See folios 872 348

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT

MSG Center No : NAG/29
Classification : R
Precedence : O.
From : AGC-SARDINIA
To : PBS-MMIA LO
MMIA

Date | Time Rec'd : 29/0255
Date | Time Sent : 29-916
Reference NR : AGS-Y717

M.M.I.A. FILE REF Date Recd 1/1 Cite 1

PAREN TO PEN BASE FOR WVIA LO [redacted] AND FOR INFO TO WVIA [redacted]

FROM AGC [redacted] SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS REFERENCE [redacted] AGS YOKE SEVEN ONE SEVEN PAREN/REFERENCE WVIA CABLE ABLE QUEEN ISLAND TWO ZERO NINE FIVE PD CRUISER ABRUZZI DUE LEVY TWO NINE OCTOBER WITH CLOTHING FOR TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION NOT [redacted] ARRIVED PD REQUEST [redacted] IMMEDIATE INFORMATION AS TO EASY TARE ABLE CLOTHING PD

EM DPS

HEADQUARTERS
29 OCT 1944
A. C. C.

RESTRICTED

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URGENT

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

MSG Center No : N 67/29
Classification : SEC
Precedence : O
From : PBS MMIA LO
To : AGC SARDINIA, INFOMMIA

Date | Time Rec'd : 29/6 01 A
Date | Time Sent : 29-NFT
Reference NR : 8297

HEADQUARTERS 29 OCT 1944 C.

Cite
M.M.I.A. AR
FILE REF 5111
Date Recd 29/10

SECRET PD REFERENCE YOUR YOKE SEVEN ONE SEVEN PD LOADED ON CASTER

AUSEL ~~APT AUSEL~~ PD FIRST FOR TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION ITALIAN CMA

BLOUSES EIGHT FOUR EIGHT ZERO TROUSERS SIX FIVE SIX ESCORT ONE

OFFICER TWO OTHER RANKS PD ARRANGE FOR TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION TO

RECEIVE AT SHIPSIDE PD REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO NINE SEVEN PAREN

TO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS INFO MMIA ~~APT MMIA~~ FROM PBS

~~APT PBS~~ MMIA LIAISON OFFICER PAREN SECOND PD TWO ZERO BARRELS WINE

FOR DIREZIONE COVVISSARIATO PD EASY TARE ABLE THREE ONE OCTOBER

EM 085

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See folio 7057

SECRET

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LROF V MJAC NR 5 P (P)

T LROF QVR 2

FROM MNIA LO 54 AREA

TO PRE FOR MNIA LO

INFO MNIA

QCX GR --DT

PO 245 RESTRICTED BAGS DESPATCHED NAPLES 28OCT

F 1127766 BALES MACKINAWS 179 EQUALS 3/03PIECES

BALES COMFORTERS 45 EQUALS 450 PIECES . E 1020391 CHA F 120355 CHA

S 1//// E 1006032 EACH BALES COMFORTERS 150 EQUALS 1502 PIECES

TOTAL CONSIGNMENT DRIERS AND MACKINAWS COMPLETED

DT

CENT HR 5 29/1003A AD AR TKS

RD MR 5 291003 T A 1 PI

871
5051

37|29

MN A AR
FILE REF 15111
Date Recd 1/1/

30 Oct

See Folio 899/1345

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AG 15[illegible].1 870/1

To :- AG (attn Major Cole). From :- Mov. L.O. (MMIA).

28 Oct 44.

Following is copy of MOV ROME signal TO 698 dated 27 Oct 44.

FROM MOV ROME.

TO MOVWTT. MOV WESTRAIL. MOV ANCONA. MOV AAI. MMLA.

TO 698 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref MOVWIT TO/T/291 of 24 (.) Wagons dep TIBURTINA 27 Sep for ANCONA 251004 1240 hrs 1130538 0210 hrs.

Passed
K Movarty
JRC
30 Oct

Capt RE.
Mov. L.O.

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AG/015/11

To :- AQ (Internal, attn Maj. Cole). From :- Mov. L.O. (MMIA).
Float File.

28 Oct 44.

Subject :- Proof of delivery Ord Stores
NAPLES - JESI.

Herewith copy of MOV ANCONA signal TO/R/19 dated 27 Oct 44.

From MOV ANCONA.

To MOV ROME. MOV WESTRAIL. MOVWIT. MOV AAI. MMIA.

TO/R/19 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref MOVWIT TP/T291 undated (.) Wagon 1130538 received JESI (.) Off-loaded by 228 Italian Div 28 Sep (.) No trace 251004 (.) Please advise forward service of same

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Capt RE.
Mov. L.O.

Passed to Moriarty JPC

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A830

IMPORTANT

TROF V LAEE NR32

FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 281555A

TO ROO ORTONA RPTD 35 AOD

INFO AOS 61 AREA MMIALO DISTONE MMIA

AQ/15/11/29
2910

GR--- BT

PC 244 (.) RESTRICTED (.) VAGS DESPATCHED. O R T O NN A

26 OCT ADDRESSED 2C/D 35 A O D J E S I (C N A) F 1S0SA3

BOOTS PAIRS 5000 F 174783 BALES

COMFORTERS 110 EQUALS 1100 PIECES (.)

CONSIGNMENT NOW COMPLETED

BT 281555A

CC QVR-5

SENT NR 62 1957 A. JP BB K

RD NR 62 " D LON " 1958 BBB

JAG Rec'd
Section 896 342
+902

1795

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AQ/15/11

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

TO: AGC SARDINIA

DATE:TIME:ORIGIN
28 1015

REF NO. AQ/2095

CONFIDENTIAL

FOR SIMMONS (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) SHIP 205 DIV AT T/O STRENGTH (.) 656 TROUSERS ED 8480 BLOUSES ED ARRIVING ON ABRUZZI CONSIGNED TO 205 DIV (.) THIS IS AMOUNT OF ALLIED OUTER CLOTHING THAT IS NEEDED TO COMPLETELY EQUIP ENTIRE DIV (.) APPROXIMATELY EQUAL NUMBER OF ITALIAN TROUSERS AND BLOUSES SHOULD BE TURNED IN BY 205 DIV TO ITALIAN CLOTHING DEPOT FOR SALVAGE

PRECEDENCE Operational Priority

AUTHENTICATION [illegible]
Maj. G.S.

See folio 873

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15/11

ACTION SLIP

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

File

~~Col Noakes~~
Lt Col Shipley

1. Col Simmons found the 8,200 dyed battledress trousers in Sardinia which ~~was~~ were shipped there for the 205 Division. Since the Division has 9,000 men, they need some 600 more trousers. The 9,000 battledress blouses had never been shipped to Sardinia.

2. Col Simmons sent Major Fossett to Naples today to ask that this equipment be shipped back to Sardinia by cruiser tonight so that he could equip the Division before it left there. This will save us a certain amount of trouble in Naples on arrival of the Division, and I have authorized Major Smith to load the clothing on the cruiser today and send it to Sardinia under guard.

3. Major Fossett will be in Rome tomorrow.

(K)
27/10

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
CREDENHOF (BRITISH)

M.M.I.A. FILE REF Date Rec'd

Subject - Clothing for MIA

To: DDSS T of C (BF)

Ref: DOS/1411 (ORD 1)

Tel: BRERETON 808

7 October 1944.

Confirming telephone conversation Brig FREIP - Col SIDNEY of today's date.

Please arrange for 10,000 Suits Battle Dress Grade III and Boots Grade III 10,000 to be available for issue to MIA who will make their own arrangements for collection.

(F.R. SIDNEY) Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.
for Maj-Gen.
D.O.S., A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- G-(AG) AFHQ - (For information Major MASKEY).

MIA Rome - (Confirms telephone conversation today MIA - Major McCUE. It is confirmed the above quantities are available for collection, Clothing from 'C' Clothing Factory, Boots from Cattorden. It is stipulated you must bring your own transport and loading parties).

Spoke My Pendle 7/10 30 Oct

867
17/24

May only

R841

A12

M.M.I.A.	
FILE REF	157 11
Date Read	26 Oct

LROF V LAEE NR 90

QVR 2

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 27 1545A

TO PBS FOR MMIA LO

INFO MMIA

QQX GR-- BT

PC/237 RESTRICTED. AG DESPATCHED 27 OCT

1025545 BALES DRAWERS 200

EQUALS 20000 PIECES BALES MACKINAWS

70 EQUALS 1400 PIECES CMA

396472 BALES MACKINAWS 260

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LROF V LAEE NR 90

QVR 2

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 27 1545A

TO PBS FOR MMIA LO

INFO MMIA

QQX GR-- BT

PC/237 RESTRICTED. AG DESPATCHED 27 OCT

1025543 BALES DRAWERS 200

EQUALS 20000 PIECES BALES MACKINAWS

70 EQUALS 1400 PIECES CMA

306472 BALES MACKINAWS 260

EQUALS 5200 PIECES

THI 1600

BT 271545A

SENT NR 90 27/2155A AC BB K

RECD NR90 272155A JN BB KKK

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LRCT V LAEE NR 17

~~PVR GE~~ QVR3

FROM MMIALG 54

AREA 271550A

TO ~~AREA~~ ADOSI 61 AREA

INF: MMIALG DISTONE -- MMIA

GR ---BT

PC 256 • RESTRICTED • DESPATCHED 25

OCT WAG NO 156179 BALES

MACKINAWS 30 EQUALS 600 PEICES

BALES SHIRTS 67 EQUALS 6700 PEICES

BALES COMFORTERS 90 EQUALS 900 PIECES BALES

SOCKS COTTON 3 EQUALS 2000 PIECES CMA

WAG NO 126364 BALES DRAWERS 200 EQUALS

20000 PIECES BALES COMFORTERS 60 EQUALS

600 PIECES • DESPATCHED

26 OCT • WAG NO 166652 BALES

BLOUSES 100 EQUALS 5000

PIECES ~~BALES~~ BALES TROUSERS 100 EQUALS 5000

PIECES BALES COMFORTERS 20

EQUALS 200 PIECES CMA WAG NO 153667

BALES COMFORTERS 160

EQUALS 1600

Roc506 4587

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28/10

See folios 896 + 902

Not known here

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BALES SHIRTS 67 EQUALS 6700 PEICES

BALES COMFORTERS 90 EQUALS 900 PIECES BALES

SOCKS COTTON 3 EQUALS 2000 PIECES CMA

WAG NO 126584 BALES DRAWERS 200 EQUALS

20000 PIECES BALES COMFORTERS 60 EQUALS

600 PIECES • DESPATCHED

26 OCT • WAG NO 186652 BALES

BLOUSES 100 EQUALS 5000

PIECES ~~SHOES~~ BALES TROUSERS 100 EQUALS 5000

PIECES BALES COMFORTERS 20

EQUALS 200 PIECES CMA WAG NO 153867

BALES COMFORTERS 160

EQUALS 1600

THI 1600

SENT NR 17 28/0308A FW BBB

~~12/2 PSE TEST WAG 5000 PIECES~~

~~BALES THI BALES~~ DELETE BALES NR

NR 17 RECD 280308A PJB BB

940
NHH
See folio 896
4902
Not known here

UDF Adm. HQ. (Main)
28 10 1944

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R8114 16/24

LROF V LAEE NR 94 P P IMPORTANT

QVR 3

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA

TO ADOS 61 AREA

INFO MMIA LO DISTONE. MMIA

M.M.I.A. FILE REF Date Rec'd 15/11

QQY GR-- BT

IRO 24 Oct

PC239. RESTRICTED. DISPATCHED ORTONA 27 OCT WAG 143296

BALES COMFORTERS 160 EQUALS 1600 PIECES WAG 1117198

BALES COMFOTERS 150 BALES EQUALS 1500 PIECES

THI 1655

BT

SENT NR 94 27/2209A AC BBBB

RECD NR 94 27/2209A JN BB KKK

1803

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SUBJECT: Allied C. thing Unsuitable for issue to Italian Ministry.

Military Mission
Italian Army
R O M E
AQ/15/11
21 October 44

TO: MMIA LO NAPLES

Ref your AQ/4/SM dated 24 Oct 44 — 850/1

HQ ACC have been advised of the clothing reported as unsuitable for repair and issue to Italian Military, as per the list forwarded by you.

They are informing their Southern Regional Office NAPLES accordingly, and instructing that an officer contacts you immediately.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Lt.Col. AA/QMG
Military Mission
Italian Army

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Ang/15/11

29/10

Subject:- Italian Army - Issue of Clothing.

12CRE/N/30.

C.E.,
3 District.

1. The attached indents in respect of clothing and equipment required by 5th and 905 Lav Art Coys were, on instructions from MMLA, forwarded to the Area of the areas in which the units are located, who returned them stating that the stores should be issued by MMLA.

2. MMLA still state that the issue is an AMG responsibility; may the matter be taken up with AMG at your level.

3. The matter is now urgent as some of the soldiers are without footwear.

Field.
26 Oct 44.
MR/MC.

Deputy Asst Adjt
Lt. Col. R.E.
Cmd. 12 C.R.E. Works

Copy to: 5th Army.
MMLA.

Fold 5
first time
JAG 334
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AG/15/11

Ref. No 8285

FRS MMIA LO

26 October 1944

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Priority

54 Area for MMIA LO Info MMIA DISTHREE

CONFIDENTIAL PD DISPATCHED TO YOU TODAY ON CAR NUMBER ONE EIGHT SIX ZERO SIX SEVEN PD REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO EIGHT FIVE PAREN TO FIVE FOUR AREA FOR MMIA LIAISON OFFICER INFO MMIA CMA DISTHREE FROM PBS MMIA LIAISON OFFICER PAREN FOUR ZERO THOUSAND PAIRS SOCKS WOOL LIGHT FROM BRITISH ALLOTMENT

E.P. ZAYAS
Capt., Infantry
MMIA

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Subject: Issue of Comforters from Depot 591

LIAISON OFFICER
M.M.I.A.
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/RC

26 October 1944

M.M.I.A.
FILE REF AQ/15/11
Date Rec'd 28/10/44

To: M.M.I.A.
Rome

843

Ref: Your AQ/15/11 of 23 October.

1. Our daily report of issue for 109-A, Comforters, on 4/10/44 is in error. This was explained on note attached to Semi Monthly report for period 25/9/44 - 10/10/44 and in our signal 8262 of 23 Oct. The 1640 reported on 4/10/44 is a part of the 12992 reported on 3/10/44. The report for 4/10/44 pertaining to comforters should therefore, be disregarded.

2. It will be noted that on the report of 4/10/44, clomn 2, issue to 210 Div., the authority for the issue of the items 101-B, 102-B, 103-AB, 105-A, 111-A, and 118-A, is AQ/61/358.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry

IVF/ed

Copy sent 9th
7th
2nd

1807

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MESSAGE FORM

AP/15/11

FROM: MMIA

DATE: TIME OF ORIGIN

TO(FOR ACTION): 54 AREA, ADOS 61 AREA

26 1020 A.

INFO: REAR EIGHTH ARMY DISTONE

REP NO: AQ 2089

RESTRICTED

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FOR MMIA LO (.) YOUR FC 220 OF 24 (.) PAREN ROME AREA_____ PAREN (.) MACKINAWS ARE INTENDED FOR DISTONE NOT REPEAT NOT EIGHTH ARMY (.) FIVE THOUSAND GREEN B.D. ONLY FOR EIGHTH ARMY (.) MY MESSAGE AQ 2046 OF 20 AND AQ 2058 OF 18 OCT CMA NOT TO ADOS 61 AREA REFERS

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PRECEDENCE: Immediate

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION: [signature]

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

43/26

MSG Center No : N 114/26
Classification : S
Precedence : P
From : PBS MMIA
To : AG SARDINIA
INFO MMIA

PRIORITY

Date | Time Rec'd : 361845A
Date | Time Sent : 261420A
Reference NR : 8278

Cite A.I.A.	AD
FILE REF	15/11
Date Recd	27 10

SECRET PD REFERENCE YOUROYOKE SIX THREE NINE CLOTHING FROM

SEVENTH BASE DEPOT PD REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO SEVEN EIGHT PAREN

TO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS INFO MMIA FROM PBS MMIA LIAISON

OFFICER PAREN REQUEST YOU SIGNAL ITEMS AND QUANTITIES ALSO ALLOTMENT

FOR WHICH INTENDED

— Supply Dept at Cagliari has
both Army and Navy
Ship Fourth Ship then quotes
shipment in additional pairs Socks
Wool OD Cotton Herringbone
Khaki 7½

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SECRET 262050

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IMPORTANT

LRKB V MJAQ NR 19 P P

FROM MJAQ 261425A

TO LRKB

GR 62 BT

CONFIDENTIAL PD REFERENCE YOUR ABLE QUEEN TWO ZERO EIGHT THREE
OF TWO FIVE OCTOBER PD FIVE ONE NINE GUARD BATTALION ISSUED
CLOTHING ONE EIGHT OCTOBER ON ABLE QUEEN SLASH SIX ONE SLASH
THREE EIGHT EIGHT PD REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO SEVEN SEVEN
PAREN TO MMIA FROM PBS MMIA LIAISON OFFICER PAREN FIVE TWO
ZERO GUARD BATTALION MOVED ANCONA ON TWO THREE OCTOBER

BT

SENT NR 19 26/1855A EML B
RECD NR 19 26/1858A J O E K

MMIA FILE REF 151 11 Date Recd 27/10

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AQ/15/11 859

To :- A/Q Internal.
Ordnance (Internal).
Ufficio Trasporti.
Float File.

From :- Mov. L.O. (MMIA).

26 Oct 44.

Following is copy of AFHQ signal FX43796 dated 25 Oct 44.

FROM AFHQ cite FHGDM signed SACMED

TO MOVEIT. MOVWIT. MMIALO. PBS MAIN.
(INFO) MOV MMIA ROME.

FX 43796 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Arrange rail 26 Oct BARI NAPLES CENTRAL 85 tons boots and clothing items (.) NAPLES BARI 6 tons socks (.) Loading under arrangements MMIA.

Capt RE.
Mov. L.O.

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Subject: Repair and Dyeing of Clothing for ER-Itis and US-Itis.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/15/11
11 October 1944

MINISTRY OF WAR
MMIA LO 54 AREA
MMIA LO c/o PBS NAPLES

1. It is at present contemplated that British Class III clothing and boots to be repaired for use of Bri-Itis will be renovated and repaired in facilities operated by Italian Military. All outer garments will be dyed green in facilities operated by Italian Military.

2. All outer garments of US clothing for use of US-Itis will be dyed green in facilities operated by Italian Military. The repair of part-worn US clothing for use of US-Itis has not as yet been completely arranged but a substantial part or all of it may be repaired in facilities operated by Italian Military.

3. Dye stuff now on hand or which becomes available for use of Italian Army under MMIA control will be used exclusive in dyeing facilities under Italian Military control and will not repeat not be allotted for dyeing by any other agency.

4. British and US services have been advised to coordinate direct with MMIA LO's at Naples and Bari in making arrangements for delivery and collection of items to be repaired and/or dyed.

GEO. A. SHIPLEY, Lt Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

GAS/wk

Copy for MMIA ORD

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C.C. Make me a copy of this original to take with me tonight ✓ Done Sept.

CO Shipley

Search me! but I will ask Pirtle this weekend.

✓ File

27 Oct

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12/26

LROF V LAEE NR 31 QVR 7
FROM DISTHREE 251500
TO Q 52 AREA Q 5 AREA Q 56 AREA
Q 94 SUB AREA Q 64 GRN Q 67 GRN
INFO MMIA DITHREEEAST MMIA LO
QQY GR 25 BT

A-9
15/11
X610

02874 . CONFIDENTIAL . FURTHER STOCKS CLOTHING AND BOOTS what?
EING MADE AVAILABLE IN NAPLES AND BARI MMIA DEPOTS when?
FOR BR-ITIS. INSTRUCT ALL CONCERNED
TO SUBMIT INDENTS FORTHWITH
BT

SENT NR 31 0255A FW
RECD 31 0255 RLB AR

watch

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SUBJECT: CLOTHING DEMANDS - BRIT ITALIANS

AQ/15/11 TE/Q/17/11.
25 OCT 44.

HQ MMIA
ROME

1. On the 14 SEP 44, this Depot submitted a demand for items of clothing urgently required (for expected intakes of Brit Italians) to ILO Disthree and copy to 516 Regimento Infanterie, Naples.

2. No action was taken by ILO Disthree and accordingly on the 23 OCT 44 we referred this matter to DDOS 3 District who, whilst not accepting responsibilty for issue, instructed MMIA to issue.

3. We have received 250 Caps Green and 400 prs Socks Cotton, but we are informed that other items which we urgently requiredare at present stored in BARI.

4. Will you please therefore authorize the issue of the u/m items from BARI, so that we may collect ?

Trousers, HD, dyed, prs	400.
Drawers, woollen, prs	500.
Shirts, winter	800.
Handkerchiefs	600.
Wicker Baskets	100.
Mackinaws	300.

5. Please treat this demand with the utmost urgency, as new intakes are expected and our present stock of clothing is negligible.

6. Your earliest reply will be appreciated.

J.M. Lane Capt. for Major.
Commandant.
Depot and Training Establishment, CMF.

EBC/W

Released
19/3/4 AHQ
30 Oct

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Translation

A9/15/11 854

Telm. M of W
to - MMIB.

Ref n° 20814/c
Date. 25 oct 44.

Repairs of unserviceable allied uniforms.

Following the methods used to repair italian clothings, should clothings from Allied sources be in need of repairs, there is no objections to the use of pieces of unserviceable uniforms.

However the details of the operation will be shown in transformation report, so that the use of the material can be controlled and shown on Documents as per regulation already laid for repairs of Italian material

Thus above according to dispositions taken with sanction of MMIB.

Rdlamsfield

Delliza

Dr Shipley
Dem Folkis
946 2 otlw

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Roma 25 [illegible]

Al

Divisione Vestiario Sez.
Prot. N.° 20814/V Allegati

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.°

OGGETTO : Riparazione divise fuori uso di provenienza alleata.

ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA SICILIA P.M.126
(rif.f. 3164/PO del 5 corr.)

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA "M.M.I.A." ROMA
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT.DELLA CAMPANIA P.M.120
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA P.M.67
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. LAZIO-UMBRIA ABRUZZI ROMA
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA CALABRIA P.M.114
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA SARDEGNA P.M.50

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Quanto precede in base ad accordi verbali intercorsi con la M.M.I.A..

(rif.f. 3164/PO del 5 corr.)

e, per conoscenza :

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ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COM. MILIT. DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA	P.M.67
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p. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT : Authorization For Release of Clothing Against British Allotment in Naples Italian Depot:

AQ/15/11

LIAISON OFFICER
MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/SR/1

25 October 1944.

TO : HQ. 3 District
MMIA, Rome

1. Forwarded herewith for your information is copy of authorization for release of clothing to British-III unit under command of III District. The clothing has been deducted from the British allotment in Naples Depot as set forth in MMIA AQ/15 of 3 October.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

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SUBJECT: Comforters and Mackinaws erroneously shipped Quartermaster Depot 560.

AQR/15/11
27/10

LIAISON OFFICER
N.M.I.A.
NAPLES SECTOR

25 October 1944.

TO: G-4, P.B.S.

Copy to: Military Mission Italian Army, Rome.

1. Confirming our recent telephone conversation about the comforters and mackinaws erroneously shipped to Q.M. Depot Q-560; the following series of events are quoted for your further information:

a. The ship "Kemp Battle", loaded in Sardinia with 11,444 comforters, cotton filled and 10,692 mackinaws, OCC, spruce green and other equipment, with which we are not here concerned, berthed Naples 25 September 1944 and completed discharge 30 September 1944.

b. Arrangements were made with Highways Division, by this office, to dispatch above clothing to our Italian Depots. Sono Tenette Petrozulla, Italian Port Detachment was at the ship and with members of his detachment were checking the supplies off the ship.

c. Of the Mackinaws and comforters aboard, only 7,230 mackinaws were dispatched to Italian Depot #591. It was later discovered that during the discharge of the ship; Tenette Petrozulla and his checkers were ordered from the pier by an American Officer of the 334th Port Battalion. Thereafter as far as can be determined all Class II and IV was trucked to the Cleveland Railhead and shipped by rail to Quartermaster Depot Q-560,

d. Highways Division furnished this office with a list (see attached), of railway cars loaded with Class II and IV from the "Kemp Battle" and consigned to Depot Q-560.

e. Major Long accompanied by Captain Zayaz, both of this office visited Depot Q-560 and discovered 577 mackinaws, CCC, spruce green which had recently been received according to Depot records. These were subsequently returned to Italian Depot #591 by the Depot Commander. At the same time, many bales of comforters, cotton filled and marked 2-SPA were found in the Depot. A check of the Depot stock record cards disclosed a debit of only 1000 comforters, therefore, the Depot Commander ordered the comforters marked 2-SPA to be set aside and inventory taken. Records in the warehouse showed these comforters to have been recently received.

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The depot commander stated he would telephone the amount of the inventory to this office when it was completed. After several days, when the expected call was not received, Major Long again called on the commander of the Depot Q-560 and was then informed that the inventory was, about 11,844, but that he would telephone Lt. Kahn of the quartermaster office the exact figure. The following day, a telephone call was made to Lt. Kahn, who stated that the inventory was, about 10,000. Subsequent efforts of this office to get the true inventory of the comforters, so that necessary shipping papers could be completed have met with a lack of cooperation on the part of the Depot Commander at Q-560.

f. On 23 October 1944, the Commanding Officer, 61st Quartermaster Base Depot, called Major Landauer at Depot Q-560 and asked for the true amount of comforters belonging to the Italian Military. On 24 October 1944, information was obtained from Headquarters, 61st Quartermaster Base Depot that Depot Q-560 had 10,200 comforters.

g. Major Landauer, Commanding Depot Q-560, denies any further receipt at his depot of comforters or mackinaws, belonging to the Italian Military as well as the arrival of railway cars, numbers, 1127979, 290358, 1015499 and 1327137.

GEORGE D. SMITH JR.
Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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"KEMP BATTLE"

TRUCK NUMBER	RAILCAR NUMBER	PIECES QM II & LV
321	290353	32
135	1127373	65
C093	1027137	28
C142	1327137	32
C140	290353	42
C130	1027137	32
C130	260572	32
C140	260572	44
C140	1027137	44
2452	-	44
C846	1015499	29
868	1792	45
2473	-	44
2436	-	44
2491	1126121	45
2450	-	45
C141	-	43
C865	1016499	32
C235	1016499	28
3660	-	44
C278	1127979	28
2487	1127979	26
2479	1127373	30
C860	290353	24
C053	1127373	26

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AQ/15/11
27/10

SUBJECT : Error in Daily Report:

LIAISON OFFICER
MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/RC

25 October 1944.

TO : MMIA
Rome

Reference Daily Report of Issues, Depot 592 for 23/4/44.

1. Under item 108-A Machinaws (N or P/W), column 1, was entered the figure 450. This should have been entered as 450 Machinaws P/W undyed. These are part of the 4683 Machinaws P/W undyed which appear on our inventory of 10/10/44.

2. Request you change your records accordingly.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

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AQ 2065 CONFIDENTIAL

FOR ENIA LO (.) 516, 517, 519, 520 GUARD BATTALIONS NOW NAPLES ARE ITI-ITI (.) PANZE ECHE AREA_____PANZE (.) OTHER WEAPONS WILL BE ALLEND BATTLE DRESS (.) HAVE SURVEY MADE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY TO BRING ALL PERSONNEL IN THESE BNS TO PROPER SCALE (.) UTILIZE ITALIAN ITEMS NOW ON HAND IN BATTALIONS OR AVAILABLE IN DEPOTS INSOFAR AS POSSIBLE (.) ISSUE NEW ITEMS TO COMMANDING OFFICERS OF BATTALIONS PERSONALLY (.) PER ITEMS WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE ISSUED AT NAPLES BUT WILL BE TRANSPORTED WITH UNIT AS BAGGAGE UNDER GUARD REPEAT UNDER GUARD TO DESTINATION (.) ISSUE TO MEN WILL BE MADE AT DESTINATION REPEAT DESTINATION (.) ENSURE COMMANDING OFFICER UNDERSTANDS HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT REACHING DESTINATION (.) REPORT ITEMS ISSUED BY BATTALIONS AND WHEN COMPLETED (.)

TO MEN

See folio 840 + 904

IMPORTANT

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

IN

XXXTGOING MESSAGE 4268

MMIA LO 54 AREA QAR

OFFICE OF ORIGIN :

DATE TIME ORIGIN : 251030A

AUTHENTICATED BY :

PRECEDENCE : IMMEDIATE

MMIB FILE REF A42 15/11 Date Recd 26/10

	TOP SECRET
	SECRET
	CONFIDENTIAL
	RESTRICTED

TO :-

ACTION : REAR EIGHTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO

INFO : MMIA

PC/225

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FURTHER TO MY PC177 OF 17. FOLLOWING NOT REPEAT NOT LOADED ASTRA AS STATED. COMFORTERS BALES 200 MACKINAWS BALES 380. THESE WILL BE LOADED SAMKANSA. WILL SIGNAL FURTHER DETAILS

DECIPHERED 251635A EFS

CIPHER

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REF. No. :

DTG. :

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FILE REF 15 11
Date Rec'd 26 10

LROF V LAEE NR 95

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 251125A

TO ADOS G1 AREA

INFO DISTONE FOR MIALO MMIA

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GR -- DT

PC227 . RESTRICTED . FOLLOWING DESPATCHED ORTONA

24 OCT WAG F 165352 BALES MACKINAWS 260 EQUALS 5200 PIECES

WAG 1007753 BALES

MACKINAWS 260 EQUALS 5200 PIECES

THI 1145

SENT NR 95 1503A LS BB KKK

RECD 95 150C REB B

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AQ
15/11
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Subject: Allied Clothing Surplus to Needs of Italian Military.

LIAISON OFFICER
M.M.I.A.
NAPLESSECTOR
AQ/4/SM

24 October 1944

To: M.M.I.A.
Rome

1. Attached hereto is a list of Allied clothing turned over to the Italians at Depot 1750 which has been declared surplus to the needs of the Italian Military by Capt. Bontone (I), officer in charge of the clothing program.

2. It is desired to turn this surplus material over to ACC as soon as possible to get it out of our depots. A.C.C. officials here are anxious to get any clothing available.

3. Request definite instructions be furnished as to the procedure to be employed in turning this material over to A.C.C., and further that A.C.C. be instructed to collect.

George D. Smith Jr.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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Lt Shipley
Chas
Commerce
Boston
Mass

See folio 816

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

ISPETTORATO

UFFICIO RECUPERI

N. 266 di prot. P. M. 107, li 23 ottobre 1941

Risposta al foglio N. ..... del ..... Carte annesse .....

OGGETTO: Vestiario americano destianato alle truppe italiane fuori uso.=

Al la M.M.I.A.

NAPOLI

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A seguito di quanto richiesto verbalmente si comunica il vestiaric ameriacno fuori uso e le relative quantità:

Bustine di lana	n°	5605
Camicie di lana	"	4452
Camicie di tela	"	606
Maglie di cotone	"	1626
Maglie di lana	"	1338
Mutande di cotone	"	2374
Mutande di lana	"	1438
Pantaloni lana	"	609
Pantaloni tela	"	180

L'UFFICIALE ADDETTO
(E.Bortone)

Bortone

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LROF V LKFP MR 1 RR

FROM LKFP 241827 A

TO LROF

CR 119 BT

CONFIDENTIAL PD THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS SENT TO CHARLIE GEORGE CMA CHARLIE ZEBRA NATOUSA AND IS PARAPHRASED FOR YOUR INFORMATION PD FROM BARRETT CITE EDCMC 613-B TO COMMANDING OFFICER MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE PD CLASS XRAY CLOTHING STOCKS REFERENCE CABLE CONZONE NATOUSA LOVE XRAY FOUR SEVEN EIGHT FIVE CITE SUGAR SUGAR QUEEN MIKE CHARLIE ONE FOUR ZERO FOUR DATED ONE SEVEN OCTOBER ONE NINE FOUR FOUR WERE NOT TRANSFERRED AS REPAYMENT FOR CLASS ABLE STOCKS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED BY MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE PD IN ACCORDANCE WITH CABLE CHARLIE ZEBRA NATOUSA LOVE XRAY TWO NINE THREE FIVE THREE CITE SUGAR SUGAR QUEEN MIKE CHARLIE TWO SEVEN NINE NINE DATED TWO NINE JUNE ONE NINE FOUR FOUR TRANSFER WAS MADE

BT 241827 A

SENT.....LAK.....(AR)

RECDMR1"SLM"25/1305 (-AR-)

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FROM MAIN AAI

TO REAR FIFTH ARMY BRIT INC 241745 A

INFO MMIA

FREEDOM

Q (AE) 6909 842 RESTRICTED

AQ/15/11

25/10

Ref MMIA AQ 2070 of 23 Oct (.) Report what quantities items detailed so far received and whether your requirement as stated my signal QAE 6893 of 22 still stands in full in view MMIA statement 841

NA

Lee Italio 888

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QQX

FROM MAIN AAI 241745 A

TO REAR FIFTH ARMY BRIT INC

MMIA

FREEDOM

Q (AE) 6909 RESTRICTED .

REF MMIA AQ ~~2887??~~ 2070 OF 23 OCT . REPORT

WHAT QUANTITIES ITEMS DETAILED SO :

FAR RECEIVED AND WHETHER YOUR REQUIREMENT AS

STATED MY SIGNAL QAE 6983 OF

22 STILL STANDS IN FULL IN ~~FF~~ VIEW MMIA

STATEMENT

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LROF V LAEF NR 51 P P IMPORTANT

QVR 3

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 240930A

TO ADOS 61 AREA

INFO REAR EIGHTH ARMY FOR MMIA - MMIA

GR -- BT

FC 220 RESTRICTED FOLLOWING DESPATCHED ORTONA

23 OCT W AG F 7170324 BALES MACINAWS 200

EQUALS 4000 PIECES CMA 7107603

BALES MACKINAWS 250 EQUALS 5000 PIECES TWOWAGS

DAILY BEINGS DESPATCHED UNTIL CONSIGNMENT

COMPLETED

BT 240930A

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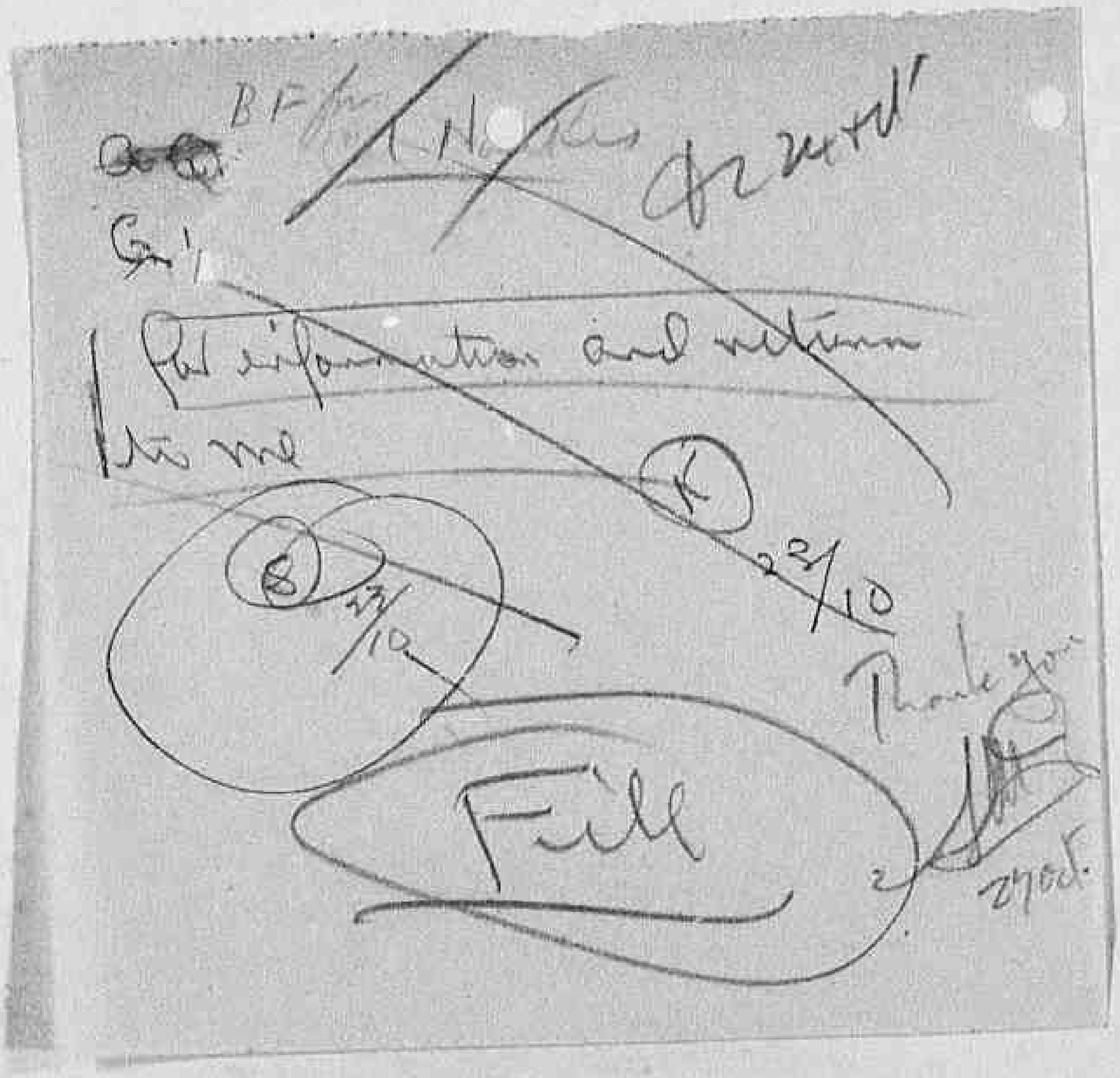
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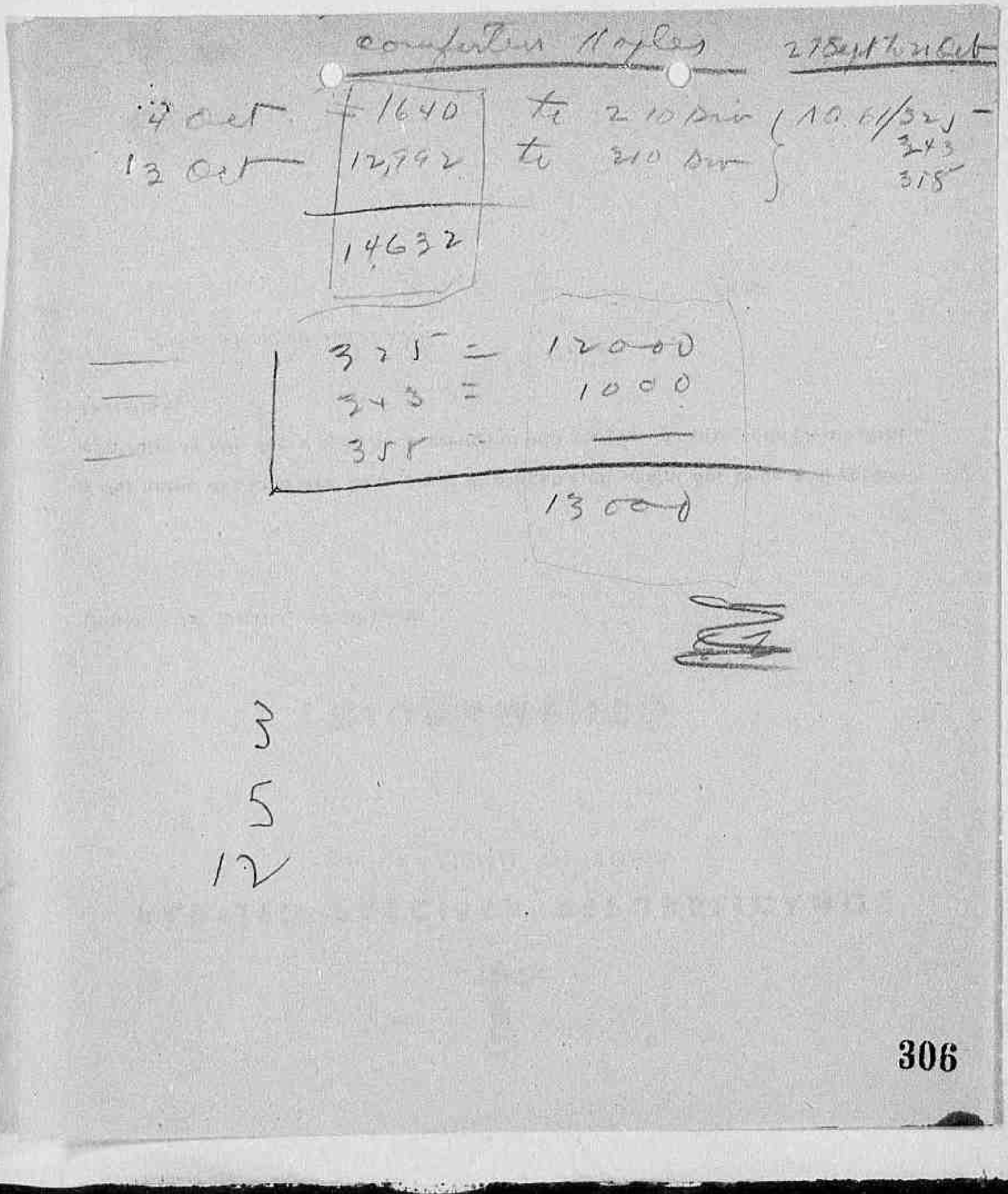
PER MEIA LO (.) PARSE ROME ARNA_____PAREN (.) REFERENCE YOUR
MEMO OF 22 OCTOBER (.) FIRST (.) YOUR PARAGRAPHS TWO FOUR AND SEVEN
AGREED(.) SECOND (.) PARAGRAPH SEVEN (.) ADVISE TOTAL TYPE CLOTHING
SHIPPED TO SARDINIA FROM NAPLES DEPOTS SINCE JULY (.) THIRD (.)
PARAGRAPH EIGHT (.) DO IF POSSIBLE (.) FOURTH (.) PARAGRAPH TEN (.)
OUR INSTRUCTIONS COVERED ONLY GARRISON TROOPS NOT REPEAT NOT AN ANY
CD (.) WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE GARRISON TROOPS ON ISLAND QUERY (.)
FIFTH (.) PARAGRAPH ELEVEN (.) REPORTS INDICATE ISSUE TO 210 DIV
OF 14652 COMPORTERS OR RELEASES 325, 343 AND 350 WHEREAS RELEASE WAS
FOR ONLY 13000 (.) THEREFORE OVERISSUE OF 1652 MUST BE DEDUCTED FROM
BALANCE DUE FOR RELEASE TOTAL DUE FOR AS 13424 (.) 13424 COMPORTERS
WILL BE RELEASED TO FOR FROM NONE STOCKS (.) SIXTH (.) CANNOT REACH
YOU ON TELEPHONE (.) SEVENTH (.) REPLIES TO OTHER PARAGRAPHS LATER (.)

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MEMORANDUM:

LIAISON OFFICER
M.M.I.A.
NAPLES SECTOR

22 October 1944.

TO: Colonel Kerr

1. I have tried to reach you by telephone since early this morning but it has not been possible for me to get a line through. I arrived from Sardinia early this AM and brought with me several so-called problems.

2. The Italian Soldiers (grease monkeys) working for Major Hall are in need of soap. I desire to ship several quintels on the Cruiser Abruzzi which leaves tomorrow evening.

3. The Italians in Sardinia apparently have a sufficient supply of tobacco but no cigarette papers. Can anything be done to rectify this situation?.

4. There is a shortage of vino in Sardinia while at the same time, they have sufficient supply of empty barrels or kegs. Colonel Simmons has asked me to ship a supply of vino on the Abruzzi and he in turn will arrange for the immediate shipment by cruiser of available empty barrels or kegs.

5. Major Hall brought up the matter concerning brake fluid. The Sardinian supply is practically depleted and must be replenished immediately. We have in Campainia, a back pile of 150 litres which is under control of the War Ministry. Could arrangements be made for the release of this fluid for shipment to Sardinia on the Abruzzi?

6. General Browning's radio will not be ready before the 1st of November. There is a misunderstanding between Captain Chayter and Major Hall with reference to the availability of this particular set. Colonel Simmons signal sent from Rome concerning this radio set failed to reach Sardinia. The fishing pole is being returned to Rome by driver Wilcutts.

7. You have instructed Colonel Simmons to issue clothing to the 205th Division. He doesnot have a sufficient supply of dyed outer clothing. Colonel Simmons suggested that the 205th Division be clothed from mainland stocks. He requested me to ask you to clarify this situation by signal.

8. With reference to the clothing turned over to PBS, Major Rose has requested that we indicate prices on the shipping tickets. This is quite difficult to accomplish. For example, this office does not know the price of a mackinaw, CCC or American shoes, service, which have been repaired by the Italians.

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9. The Salvage and Reclaimation Division of PBS has requested immediate release of 2000 pounds of dye for shipment to Leghorn. Should the dye be released?

10. This office is in the midst of a controversy with reference to the movement of the Italians now located on the islands of Ischia and Capri. 240 of these soldiers are now assigned as coastal defence and AA personnel. Approximately 10 men are used as Garrison troops. As a result of your letter to AFHQ, LST transportationhas been laid on to move the soldiers and 18 mules to the mainland. A British Colonel has been in contact with Major Monico and the Colonel in turn has discussed this matter with AFHQ. The Colonel does not want to move the Italian soldiers until some other arrangements are made for taking over the island defensive positions. AFHQ told the Colonel that they had interpreted your letter to mean that only Garrison troops would be moved to the mainland. Can this matter be clarified immediately?

11. With reference to our AQ/15 dated 3 October 1944, we agreed to deliver from Naples Depot, 62,500 comforters for the U.S. As of this date, they have taken over 11,444 delivered by mistake from Sardinia, 30,000 released from present Sardinian stocks and 6,000 from our depot 591, making a total of 47,444. The difference between this figure and the original 62,500 comes to 15,056. P.E.S. would like very much to secure this balance immediately. Can we make available this balance from the 45,000 odd comforters in stock in Rome?

12. 3 District and the MMIA Naples Office have just about reached the so-called parting of the ways. They seem to have an entirely different conception than we do with reference to the British responsibilities as set forth in the AFHQ directive of 22 September. We have followed your instructions and made clothing releases to 3 District against their Naples allotment and in each case, told them that quantities of other clothing was available at Bari. Several representatives of 3 District have discussed this matter with AFHQ within the past week and as a result, contend that the supply of Italian units under British command is not the responsibility of British Ordnance. In other words, 3 District contends that it is the responsibility of ITI-ITIS to make available at Naples the British Bari allotment. For your further information, it is quite evident that 3 District does not plan to draw this clothing in bulk and issue to units through there own British or British-Italian channels. They plan to follow the original system of drawing for small units direct from depot 591.

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13. Please try to contact me by telephone on the morning of 23 October 1944.

GEORGE D. SMITH JR.
Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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Translation

From M of W 15/11 Ref 213901/6

to MMIA copy. Date 25 oct 44

Clothing request for 5 ea Lt Gds security guards. See folio 826

We return the request for article of clothing & from allied services sent with referred letter stating that the articles were already issued by MMIA Liaison officer and that assignment was confirmed with letter AQ/61/390 of the 17 oct.

attached copy of letter for MMIA.

R Mansfield

Tallis pa.

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CE/ga

25 O.T. 944

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Al

M.M.I.A.	AQ
FILE REF	15 11
Data lett.	26 10

N. di Prot. 21399/V di Spod.
Allegati

Risposta al Foglio N.°
del

OGGETTO : Richiesta vestiario per il 510° Battgl. Sicurezza e Guardie.

Clothing request for 510 Bn Security Guard

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA — P. M. 67
(rif.f. 03/15077/458 dell'11 corr.)

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA " M. M. I. A. "
(rif.f. AQ/15/11 del 19/10/44) — ROMA

Si restituisce la richiesta di oggetti di vestiario di provenienza alleata, trasmessa col foglio in riferimento, significando che gli oggetti stessi sono stati già concessi dall'Ufficiale di Collegamento della M.M.I.A. e che la concessione venne sanzionata col foglio n. AQ/61/390 del 17 corr.

Si allega copia della comunicazione della M.M.I.A..

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(rif.f. 03/13077/438 dell'11 corr.)

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA " M. M. I. A. "
(rif.f. AQ/15/11 del 19/10/44)

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p. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT : Authorization for Release or Clothing Against British Allotment in Naples Italian Depot.

AG 1/15/11.
25/10

LIAISON OFFICER
MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/SR/1

23 October 1944.

TO : Hq. III District
MMIA ←
Rome

1. Forwarded herewith for your information is copy of authorization for release of clothing to British-ITI unit under command III District. The clothing has been deducted from the British allotment in Naples Depot as set forth in MMIA letter AG/15 of 3 October 1944.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

Confirmation Letter
Dept MMO
Rome

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FROM PBS MMLA LO

231922

TO MMLA

8262 8465 CONFIDENTIAL

Ref your AQ 2064 (.) Daily report of 4 Oct showing 1640 comforters issued is in error (.) 1640 was included in 12992 reported on 3 Oct (.) This errer was corrected by note attached to semi-monthly report on comforters (.) for period 25 Sept 10 Oct (.) Our figures infixate 15056 comforters still due us (.)

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LRKB V MJAQ 35 P P
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FROM MJAQ 231922A
TO MMIA
GR9 BT
CONFIDENTIAL PD REFERENCE YOUR ABLE QUEEN TWO ZERO SIX FOUR PD DAILY
REPORT OF FOUR OCTOBER SHOWING ONE SIX FOUR ZSRO COMFORTERS ISSUED IS
IN ERROR PD(REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO SIX TWO)PAREN TO MMIA FROM
PBS MMIA LIAISON OFFICER PAREN ONE SIX FOUR ZERO WAS INCLUDED IN ONE
TWO NINE NINE TWO REPORTED ON THREE OCTOBER PD THIS ERROR WAS
CORRECTED BY NOTE ATTACHED TO SEMI HYPHEN MONTHLY REPORT ON CONFORTERS FR
// FOR PERIOD TWO FIVE SEPTEMBER ONE ZERO OCTOBER PD OUR FIGURES
INFIXATE ONE FIVE ZERO FIVE SIX COMFORTERS STILL DUE US PD
BT 231922A
CCN: 2ND LINE WA FOUR ZERO IMI ZERO
SENT NR 35 232252 EGH BBB K
ASLAST LINE FIRST GRP READ INDICATE IMI INDICATE
RECD NR 35 2322252 A AAA BBB

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21 OCT 1944
A 299 E.

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FOR MMIA LO (.) FARUM ROME AREA_____FARUM (.) REFERENCE YOUR MEMO OF 22 OCTOBER (.) FIRST (.) YOUR PARAGRAPHS TWO FOUR AND NINE AGREED(.) SECOND (.) PARAGRAPH SEVEN (.) ADVISE TOTAL DYED CLOTHING SHIPPED TO SARDINIA FROM NAPLES DEPOTS SINCE JULY (.) THIRD (.) PARAGRAPH EIGHT (.) DO IF POSSIBLE (.) FOURTH (.) PARAGRAPH TEN (.) OUR INSTRUCTIONS COVERED ONLY GARRISON TROOPS NOT REPEAT NOT AA AND CD (.) WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE GARRISON TROOPS ON ISLAND QUERY (.) FIFTH (.) PARAGRAPH ELEVEN (.) REPORTS INDICATE ISSUE TO 210 DIV OF 14632 COMFORTERS ON RELEASES 325, 343 AND 358 WHEREAS RELEASE WAS FOR ONLY 13000 (.) THEREFORE OVERISSUE OF 1632 MUST BE DEDUCTED FROM BALANCE DUE PBS LEAVING TOTAL DUE PBS AS 13424 (.) 13424 COMFORTERS WILL BE RELEASED TO PBS FROM ROME STOCKS (.) SIXTH (.) CANNOT REACH YOU ON TELEPHONE (.) SEVENTH (.) REPLIES TO OTHER PARAGRAPHS LATER (.)

IMPORTANT

1 - ST
1 - Col Shipley
1- G1

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PRIORITY RESTRICTED

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

Army 8446 5 C 8916

HEADQUARTERS 24 OCT 1944 MMIA

MMIA A&G
File 357 1511
Date Rec'd 24/10 Time Rec'd : 232344

MSG Center No : N 2124
Classification : RES
Precedence : P
From : PBS MMIA LO C.
To : AGE SARDINIA, INFO MMIA

Date Time Sent : 231722
Reference NR : 8259
Part 2.

Action A&G 5.

Copy taken from "G" 24/10 cc

RESTRICTED PD REFERENCE YOUR ABLE GEORGE SUGAR DASH YOKE FIVE EIGHT ONE TALKED WITH KERR ~~RPT KERR~~ PD ITALIAN VEHICLES USED BY DIVISION CONSIDERED AS ORGANIC TRANSPORTATION AND THEREFORE WILL BE SHIPPED WITH THE TWO ZERO FIVE PD IF NECESSARY RETAIN ESCORT PERSONNEL UNTIL DEPARTURE OF VEHICLES PD REFERENCE NUMBER EIGHT TWO FIVE NINE PAREN TO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS INFO VMIA ~~RPT VMIA~~ FROM PBS VMIA LIAISON OFFICER PAREN NEW SUBJECT PD REFERENCE VVIA LETTER ABLE QUEEN SLASH ONE FIVE SLASH ONE ONE DATED ONE SIX AUGUST SUBJECT CLOTHING FROM ALLIED SOURCES SARDINIA PAGE TWO LIST CHARLIE CVA INDICATES TOTAL EIGHT FIVE ZERO TWO TROUSERS BATTLE DRESS DYED GREEN IN YOUR POSSESSION NOW PD COMPLETLY CLOTH

A&G 15/11

Signed Th. Simmons
by Williams

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N 2/24

TWO ZERO FIVE DIVISION AS INSTRUCTED LESS BATTLE DRESS

BLOUSES DYED GREEN WHICH WE WILL ISSUE ON MAINLAND

RESTRICTED

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SUBJECT: Issues of comforters from Depot #591.

Military Mission
Italian Army
R O M E
AQ/15/11
23 October 44

TO: MMIA LO NAPLES

1. On your daily report of issues from Depot 591 for 3 Oct you report a release of 12992 comforters No. 109-A to 210 Div and give AQ/61/325/343 as your authority to release. On your daily report of issues from Depot 591 for 4 Oct you report a release of 1640 comforters No. 109-A to 210 Div, and give AQ/61/325/343/358 as your authority to release. Total releases as reported amount to 14,632 comforters.

2. Comforters No.109-A actually authorized to 210 Div. were:

AQ/61/325 - 21 Sept 44	.....	12,000
AQ/61/343 - 25 " 44	.....	1,000
AQ/61/358 - 1 Oct 44	.....	NONE
	TOTAL	13,000

3. Please advise your authority for making an over issue of 1632 comforters to 210 Div. Also advise why AQ/61/358 is given as authority for issue when none were authorized by that Release Notice.

GEO A. SHIPLEY, Lt.Col.
for Lt.Col. AA/QMG
Military Mission
Italian Army

Copy to: MMIA ORD

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MESSAGE FORM

10 AQ/15/11

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME ORIGIN
23 17z0

TO: MAIN AAI

INFO : AFHQ
FIFTH ARMY BRITISH INCR
" " REAR FOR MMIA LO

Ref No. AQ/2070

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RXEXEXTXRXXXEET
RESTRICTED

[redacted] (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) REFERENCE YOUR Q(AE) 6893 RXM (.) BR - ITI UNITS UNDER COMMAND FIFTH ARMY HAVE ASSIGNED STRENGTH OF 5749 (.) FOR YOUR INFORMATION FOLLOWING CLOTHING FOR THESE BR - ITI HAS BEEN FURNISHED SINCE 1 OCT (.) ED SUITS 3540 BOOTS 960 COTTON SHIRTS 6950 SOCKS 6056 WOOL DRAWERS 8500 MACKINAWS 4000 COMFORTERS 4000 WOOL CAPS 978 WOOL UNDERSHIRTS 2000 (.) SOME OF ABOVE ITEMS MAY NOT HAVE REACHED DESTINATION ON ACCOUNT OF RAILROAD BREAKDOWN

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATION Geo A Lincoln

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Subject: Indents for Ordnance Stores
No. 2 Italian T. C. Coy.

LIAISON OFFICER
M.M.I.A.
NAPLES SECTOR
AQ/4/NR

22 October 1944

To: M.M.I.A.

Copy to: Hq. 3 District
Ext. 32

Reference: Attached letter PRO 61/1,
Hq. 3 District.

1. Attached indents are forwarded for necessary action.

2. 3 District informed (tele -- Capt. Pike -- Capt. Fordyce 22-10-44) as to normal procedure of indenting on War Ministry as outlined in Admin. Instructions No. 11.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

IVF/ed

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SUBJECT:- Indents for Ordnance Stores.
No 2 Italian TC Coy.

HQ 3 District
Ext 32
PRO 61/1
19 Oct 44.

MILA MAILES.

OC 65 Coy C.P(TC)

Ref attached copy signal 5A Area 4665 Q dated 12 Oct 44 to 65 Coy ChP(TC).

1. Indents in respect of demands are forwarded herewith.

2. Would you please inform this Office whether your formation is represented near BARI or TARANTO, and, if so, whether future demands could be submitted direct by units in that area.

Capt.
for Lt Col.
Deputy Provost Marshal.
(J A Pike).

JAP/CP

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

Call	Srl.No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
		COPY	

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	54 Area	120900A	

For Action

65 COY CMP (TC)

TO

(W) For information (INFO)

Pro

Message Instructions | GR

Originator's No. 4665 Q (.) Ref your 65/TC/17 dated 10 Oct (.) Demands should be submitted through service channels to Head of Service at District for transmission to MMIA (.) AFs G 994 are returned herewith.

This Message may be sent as written by any means (except) wireless	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent in cipher	Originator's Instructions degree of priority	Time	System	Op.
(sgd) G.Park Capt.			THI or TOR 291		
			Time cleared		
Signed	Signed				

P.S.S. "A" M/744 - 100,000 pads 8/44

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INDENT FOR ORDNANCE STORES

ARMY FORM G. 994
(In Books of 100)

Indent No. C20/5 Date 11th Oct 1944 Corps 65th Key Emp TC.

To be sent to C/o 65 Key Emp TC To arrive by

I certify that the following articles are actually required to complete to authorised scale:
(a) As a first supply; (b) To replace others lost through the exigencies of the campaign;
(c) To replace others rendered unserviceable through the exigencies of the campaign.

Signed A. Lt. Col. [illegible] Approved for issue

Commanding 65th Key Emp TC

For A.O.D. use only

ISSUE No.

Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use	Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use
	2				
BLOUSES. B.D Sizes 6	2		To be held as reserve for No 2 Station		
" " " " 9	4		Traffic Control Boy		
" " " " 10	2				
" " " " 12	2.				
TROUSERS. B.D. " 6	3				
" " " 9	3				
" " " 10	2				
" " " 12	2.				

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P.S.S. "A" 161 10,000 pads - 12/43.

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INDENT FOR ORDNANCE STORES

ARMY FORM G. 994
(In Books of 150)

Indent No. C10/4 Date 11th Oct 1944 Corps. 65 Brg CMP TC.

To be sent to C/O 65 Brg CMP TC. To arrive by Urgent.

I certify that the following articles are actually required to complete to authorised scale:
(a) As a first supply; (b) ~~To replace others lost through the exigencies of the campaign~~;
(c) To replace others rendered unserviceable through the exigencies of the campaign.

Signed [illegible] Approved for issue

Commanding 65 Brg CMP TC.

For A.O.D. use only

ISSUE No.

Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use	Articles Required	Quantity	For A.O.D. use
Boots Ankle Size 6.L	3		To be held as a stock to cover Period of repair & replace unserviceable for No 2 Italian Traffic Control Pty.		
" " " 7.S.	3				
" " " 7.M	3				
" " " 7.L	3				
" " " 8.S	3				
" " " 8.M	3				
" " " 8.L	3				
" " " 9.M.	3				
" " " 9.L	3				289
" " " 10.M.	3				

P.S.S. "A" 161 10 000 pads 12/43

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ERGP V ERAR NR 1338

QVR 2

FROM MAIN ARI 221000A

TO AFHQ

INFO FMTIA - Fifth Army BRIT INCR

QQX GR - BI

Q(AE) 6893

RESTRICTED . FOLLOWING ARE CLOTHING AND EQPT DEFICIENCIES FOR BR-ITA UNITS UNDER COMD FIFTH ARMY . MACKINAWS 2250 COMFORTERS 2750 UNDERSHIRTS WOOLLEN 3700 DRAWERS WOOLLEN [illegible] 3100 BD SUITS 2200 SHIRTS 11600 SOCKS PRS 15600 CAPS 4200 BOOTS PRS 1750 LEGGINGS OR ANKLETS 5000 GLOVES 6500 TOWELS 2000 SEWING KITS 2000 CANTEENS 1800 . ALSO REQUESTED SURPLUS TO AUTHORISED SCALE BELLY BANDS 12000 . PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST WHEN AND WHERE ABOVE AVAILABLE . IF ACTUAL ITEMS NOT [illegible] AVAILABLE REQUEST AUTHORITY GIVEN ISSUE EQUIVALENT ITEMS IN LIEU FROM BRITISH [illegible] STOCKS . CONSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN ON RECEIPT YOUR REPLY

BI

SENT NR 1338 1850 KW BI

RE NR 1338 1850 EVW K

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MESSAGE FORM

Date-Time of Origin
22 1550 A

FROM (A) MMIA

TO (FOR ACTION) PENBASE RPT PBS FOR MMIA LO

TO (FOR INFORMATION) COMZONE NATOUSA

(REF. NO.) AQ 2061

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REFERENCE PENBASE 30179 DATED 21 OCTOBER (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) REQUEST THAT CLASS X RAINCOATS TURNED OVER BY PBS TO ITALIAN DEPOTS NAPLES IS APPROVED (.) ARRANGEMENT FOR RELEASE FROM ITALIAN DEPOTS TO BE COORDINATED WITH MMIA LO NAPLES

PRECEDENCE emergency

AUTHENTICATION Geo A Shipley
WDJ

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

15/11

DATE TIME

22 1715 A

From: MMIA

Tos DISTHREE - PBS pass MMIALO - 54 AREA pass MMIALO.

Info: DISTHREE EAST - FIREDOM Q/AB

RESTRICTED

AQ 2060

FIRST (.) FOR MMIA LOS (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.)

SUBJECT IS BR/ITI CLOTHING ALLOTED AQ/15 OF 5 OCT (.) REPORT BY SIGNAL TO DISTHREE REPEATED MMIA QUANTITIES NOW AVAILABLE AFTER ALLOWING FOR ISSUES ALREADY AUTHORISED (.) ISSUE FROM THIS BALANCE TO DISTHREE ON DEMAND BY THEM (.) SECOND (.) FOR DISTHREE (.) WHEN ALLOTMENT ORIGINALLY MADE POSITION OF STOCKS WAS IN BARI BATTLEDRESS BOOTS SHIRTS COTTON SOCKS COTTON DRAWERS WOOL MACKINAWS COMFORTERS CAPS AND IN NAPLES BOOTS SHIRTS COTTON SOCKS COTTON CAPS BELTS SOCKS WOOL (.) AFTER RECEIPT INFORMATION IN FIRST ABOVE REQUEST YOU PLACE BULK DEMAND ON MMIA LOS NAPLES BARI AND WITHDRAW IN BULK AND ISSUE TO BR/ITIS UNDER YOUR COND UNDER YOUR ARRANGEMENTS (.) THIRD (.) FOR FIREDOM Q/AB (.) BELIEVE THIS QUICKEST METHOD MOVING CLOTHING TO TROOPS

Internal Dist:

MMIA Q/AB

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AUTHENTICATED _____

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AQ/15/11

IMPORTANT

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LROF V LEE NR 45 P P

TO MMIA

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA

PC 212 RESTRICTED. 829 834

REF YOUR AQ 2046 AS AMENDED BY YOUR AQ 2057 ONLY

6700 SHIRTS AND 2000 SOCKS AVAILABLE AGAINST

BRITISH ALLORMENT/// ALLOTMENT

BT

SENT NR 45. 22/1643A JY B K

RECD 45. 1648 REB B

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MESSAGE FORM

AQ/15/11 837

FROM (A) MMIA

Date-Time of Origin
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TO (FOR ACTION) A.G.C. SARDINIA

(REF. NO.) AQ 2003

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FOR SIMMONS (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) YOUR AGS Y553 NOT RPT NOT UNDERSTOOD (.) 8502 DYED BATTLEDRESS TROUSERS WERE REPORTED ON HAND ON INVENTORY FORWARDED BY YOUR SECOND INDORSEMENT DATED 19 JULY (.) OUR AQ 15/11 OF 16 AUGUST RELEASED LIKE NUMBER OF DYED BLOUSES (.) THESE ITEMS WERE FOR ISSUE TO 205 DIVISION (.) WHAT HAS BEEN DISPOSITION OF THIS CLOTHING QUERY (.) IN VIEW OF EARLY SHIPMENT OF DIVISION ACTION URGENT (.) WIRE COMPLETE PICTURE

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATION _____

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LRKB B MJAQ NR 15

T IRKB QVR 1

FROM MJAQ 211815A

TO MMIA

INFO LKAK

GR 73 BT

CONFIDENTIAL PD REQUEST THAT CLASS XRAY RAINCOATS PREVIOUSLY TURNED OVER TO MMIA IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMZNE NATOUSA CABLE LOVE XRAY DASH FOUR ZERO ZERO SIX THREE BE RETURNED TO PENBASE QUARTERMASTER STOCKS IN ORDER TO FULFILL SUPPLY OBLIGATIONS FORPENBASE UNCLE SUGAR DASH ITEM TARE ITEM TROOPS PD PENBASE 30179 PD

PENBASE TO MMIA FOR ACTION TO COMZONE FOR INFO PD CITE BPSUP PD REQUEST RETURN BE EXPEDITED AS NEED IS URGENT BT 211805

(ANS NO RADIO)

SENT NR 15 212215A RF AR

RCD NR15 212215A HRA AR

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Translation.

Ref nº 21056/U
Date 21 oct 44

From M. of W
To MMIA copy

Confirmation of none.

We have following orders for issue by MMIA.
issued to 210 div the following material

Cotton Blankets part wam.	12.000
Blouses new	12000
woolen drawers.	24000
woolen vest	24000.

for the rest of the material requested in the letter 8/m the authorisation has been granted with letter 20479/V of the 5.10.44.

R Manfred 3

21 Oct 44

Pelliza

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CE/ga

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Gennaio 1910

Roma, 21 OTT 1944

Al

N. di Prot. 21056/V di Sped.
Allegati

Risposta al Foglio N.°
del

OGGETTO : Richiesta sanzione.
Request of Sanction for Issue of Clothing

M.M.I.A.
FILSREP
Data Ricez. 23/10/

ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM.TO DEL COMANDO MILIT. DELLA CAMPANIA
(risp. al f. 10164 del 9 corr.)

P. M. 120

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY

ROMA

Si è preso atto che in seguito ad ordine di requisizione della M.M.I.A. sono stati ceduti alla 210ª Div. i seguenti materiali :

- coperte di cotone usate n. 12.000
- Giubbotti nuovi " 12.000
- Mutande di lana " 24.000
- Maglie di lana " 24.000.

Per i rimanenti materiali elencati nel foglio in riferimento la relativa autorizzazione è stata concessa col disp. 20439/V del 5 corrente.

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(Risp. al f. 10164 del 9 corr.)

P. M. 120

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY — R O M A

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p. IL MINISTRO

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22/10

FROM AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS CITE AGS 212332A

TO MMIA

AGS Y 553

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CONFIDENTIAL

REF your AQ/15/11 of 18 Oct (.) Only small quantity of dyed outer clothing from Allied sources available (.) Dyed battledress pants 826, dyed battle dress blouses 150, dyed US wool shirts 420 (.) Approximately 9000 blouses needed can be supplied from US blouses or equivalent field jacket and wool shirt but these latter are not dyed forest green (.) Only about 5 kilograms of forest green dye available

Important

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LRKE V LRAR NR 701

QVR 3

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FROM MAIN AAI 21

TO FREDOM INFO REAR EIGHTH ARMY - MMIA - DISTONE

MMIA AG 511 Dec

QQX GR --- BT

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Q(AE) 6885

RESTRICTED (.) REF REAR EIGHTH ARMY Q890 OF 20/00/ 20 OCT (.) REQUEST YOU ARRANGE CONSIGNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH EIGHTH ARMY MESSAGE

BT

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SENT NR 701 2205 D M'L B K

RCD 2205A HRA BB

JRK 23 Oct

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

21 1810 A

T.H.I.1815

AQ/15/11

From: MMIA

To: 54 AREA MAIN AAI DISTONE

Rpt REAR EIGHT ARMY

RESTRICTED

AQ 2057

FOR MMIA LO (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.)

REFER AQ2046 OF 20 OCT (.) FIRST (.) AMEND DISTONE QUANTITIES

TO DRAWERS AND MACKINAWS TWENTY THOUSAND EACH IF AVAILABLE FROM

BR-ITT RESERVED STOCKS (.) SECOND (.) CONSIGN THE 5000 BD FOR

EIGHT ARMY TO ANCONA FOR LT COL MORIARTY MMIALO REAR EIGHT ARMY

Internal Dist:

Q/AE

Mov LO

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED JBird, Capt

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AQ 15/11

NAIA

21 NSA

REF 607

SECRET

Wagon Hon 1130930 254004 containing Ordnance Stores for 28 DEV left NAIROBI for JEAI 0400 hrs 24 SEP (.) Wagon ROUTE ARR _____ paren (.) Request you trace.(.) MAI ~~complain~~ State not arrived destination

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NARS Date 12-28-00

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Encl 1 to ltr

Maj Gen

(2)

MMIA AG 15/11 22/10

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SUBJECT:- Clothing and Equipment for BRI-ITI units.

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILPOT 201

3407/Q(AE)

20 Oct 44

AFHQ - Q(AE)

Copy to: MMIA
Ord

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Further to this HQ signal Q(AE) 6814 of 11 Oct 44.

1. Appendix 'A' gives the estimated quantity of further clothing and equipment required to equip BR-ITI units in 1 District to the scale laid down in AFHQ letter AG 400/105 D-O dated 22 Sep 44. These requirements include those demanded in the above signal, which it is understood will now largely be met in accordance with MMIA signal AQ/2038 of 18 Oct 44.

2. As all items demanded are required for immediate issue, will you please state from where they will be made available so that the necessary consignment instructions can be given. Early signal advice is requested.

3. It is also considered advisable that authority should be given to No 1 District to hold a 10% reserve of all items. Will you please confirm your agreement, so that the necessary demand can be forwarded.

4. In addition to the items listed in Appendix 'A', G.O.C. 1 District has requested that the following additional items be provided for reasons stated, and your comments are requested as soon as possible:-

(a) Tentage

On scale one Bivouac per two men. Covered accommodation is not available, and the majority of men are living in appalling conditions in Italian pattern tents, most of which leak badly. New tentage is essential to make living conditions tolerable. Can this be made available from Italian stocks or, if necessary, from British stocks without affecting essential requirements of

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(b) Blankets

The scale of two per man is not considered adequate for all conditions. May authority be given for issue of a third and fourth blanket, where considered necessary. This is considered essential, if the men are to be kept healthy, as they feel the cold no less than Allied troops.

(c) Dubbin -
Grindery and Cobblers Tools

Considered essential to keep boots in sound condition.

(d) Capes A/G

? These have been authorized for IPL units. It is considered they should be made a general issue to all Italian units, as no groundsheet is allowed in the present scale. Will you please say what is the supply position of capes anti gas and whether they can be made available.

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(e) One Bush Shirt Cotton - in lieu of one shirt cotton.
One pr Trousers KD.

These are required as working dress, particularly for Labour Coys, to enable BD to be kept clean and last longer. This HQ does not consider this demand should be met on the grounds that the scale for British troops is only one suit BD per man and in view of the world cotton shortage. The suggestion is however forwarded for your consideration, since it is understood that there is a shortage of dyed BD for Italians. If so, the issue of KD as above might assist the replacement of BD which would otherwise wear out more quickly.

5. Sickness and desertion rates are already high in 1 District, and it is considered, as a result of experience over the last twelve months, that unless adequate clothing and equipment are issued shortly, morale will decline still further and sickness and desertion increase. In view of the large dependence on Italian military labour this position is viewed with much concern.

6. This letter has dealt primarily with 1 District, but the above remarks apply generally to the position of many Italian units in the Armies. It is considered essential that -

(a) Early steps are taken to establish adequate forward reserves of clothing and equipment.

(b) That the channel of demand should be the normal Ordnance channel.

(c) That where stocks of Italian equipment are not available authority should be given to issue essential items from British stocks.

7. In this connection reference is made to your signal FX 39747 of 16 Oct 44. Experience over the last twelve months has proved that the channel of supply through MMIA is not practicable. This is the unanimous view of this HQ, MMIA and formations. It is proposed therefore that this matter should be discussed further with Brig. COWLEY during his forthcoming visit.

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(b) That the channel of demand should be the normal Ordnance channel.

(c) That where stocks of Italian equipment are not available authority should be given to issue essential items from British stocks.

7. In this connection reference is made to your signal FX 39747 of 16 Oct 44. Experience over the last twelve months has proved that the channel of supply through MMIA is not practicable. This is the unanimous view of this HQ, MMIA and formations. It is proposed therefore that this matter should be discussed further with Brig. COWLEY during his forthcoming visit.

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for General,
Commander-in-Chief.

MLP

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APPENDIX 'A' TO 3407/Q(AE)
dated Oct 44

ESTIMATED QUANTITY OF CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO EQUIP HR-TTI UNITS IN NO.1 DISTRICT.

Serial No.	Article	Scale	Quantity Required
1	Blouse, Battle Dress	1	5,000
2	Trousers " "	1	5,000
3	Shirts, cotton	2	25,000
4	Belts, web, waist	1	5,000
5	Drawers, wool	2	19,000
6	Pullovers (or 2 undervests, wool)	1	19,000
7	Towel	1	19,000
8	Cap, field	1	11,000
9	Overcoat or mackinaw	1	19,000
10	Boots or shoes	1	15,000
11	Socks	3	38,000
12	Anklets or leggings	1	19,000
13	Sewing kit	1	19,000
14	Blankets	2	25,000
15	Pack carrier	1	5,000
16	Waterbottle	1	5,000
17	Mess tin, fork, spoon	1	5,000

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SUBJECT. Allotment of Clothing for BR-ITI ex BARI Depot. 831/1

INJADA
FILE REF AQ
15/11
Date Rec'd 22 10

Liaison Officer
Military Mission
Italian Army.
54 Area. C.M.F.
MF/169/111
20 Oct 44.

Military Mission Italian Army.

1. Attached at Appx 'A' is chart showing situation of clothing allotted to BRI-ITI ex BARI Depot as at 19 Oct.

2. (a)Releases 1 to 7 Oct MMIA AQ/15 of 9 Oct refers.
(b)Releases to IIL Formation Centre MINERVINO on 15 Oct and to 66 Gp Pioneer Corps on 19 Oct were authorised following DDL 3 District's instructions with knowledge of HQ 3 District.Authy for issue MMIA Signal AQ 2006 of 11 Oct.

3. (a)Today a release was made to 2 Bn 407 Italian Pioneer Labour Regt. Authy for issue AFHQ Signal FX 37516 of 11 Oct.
(b)At Appx 'B' is breakdown of requirements by Coys.All were met except for the requirement for Trousers B.D. dyed,of which only the balance available was issued.

C.F.MURCELL Maj G.S.
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
54 Area.

Copies to; 3 District.
3 District East.
AFHQ for Q.AE.

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Appendix 'A' to MF/109/111

ITEM.	ALLOTMENT BARI DEPOT.	RELEASED 10ct-7 Oct	RELEASED 15 Oct to IPL Centre	RELEASED 19 Oct to 66 Group	TOTAL RELEASED.	BALA 19
101-B BLOUSES B.D.	11819	7500	1000	600	9100	271
102-B TROUSERS B.D.	9319	7500	1000	600	9100	2
103-AB BOOTS	29816	7000	1000	1500	9500	2031
105-A SHIRTS COTTON	20000	11500	1200	600	13300	670
106-A SOCKS COTTON	20000	14000	4000		18000	200
107-A DRAWERS WOOL	82500	15500			15500	6700
108-A MACKINAWS	75000	7500		2600	10100	649
109-A COMFORTERS	69500	7500	2600	1500	11600	479
110-A CAPS WOOL	20000	4850	500		5350	146

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Appendix 'A' to MF/109/111 Oct 44.

ELEASED Oct-7 Oct	RELEASED 15 Oct to IPL Centre	RELEASED 19 Oct to 66 Group	TOTAL RELEASED.	BALANCE 19 Oct.
500	1000	600	9100	2719
500	1000	600	9100	219
000	1000	1500	9500	20316
500	1200	600	13300	6700
000	4000		18000	2000
500			15500	67000
500		2600	10100	64900
500	2600	1500	11600	47900
850	500		5350	14650

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Appendix 'B' to MF/109

REQUIREMENTS By COYS of 2 BN 407 REGT.

ITEM	183 Coy	184 Coy	185 Coy	186 Coy	187 Coy	188 Coy	T
BLOUSES	-	50	70	150	104	75	4
TROUSERS	-	50	180	150	104	80	6
BOOTS	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
SHIRTS	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
SOCKS	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
DRAWERS	-	428	420	300	378	420	19
MACKINAWS	-	214	214	160	214	233	10
COMFORTERS	100	100	100	100	192	127	7
CAPS	X	X	X	X	X	X	

NOTES (a) X Denotes items drawn NAPLES Depot.

(b) Only 219 prs TROUSERS B.D. issued as this is balance av

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Appendix 'B' to MF/109/111 of 20 Oct

QUIREMENTS By COYS of 2 BN 407 REGT.

Coy	185 Coy	186 Coy	187 Coy	188 Coy	TOTAL
50	70	150	104	75	499
50	180	150	104	80	564
X	X	X	X	X	-
X	X	X	X	X	-
X	X	X	X	X	-
28	420	300	378	420	1946
4	214	150	214	233	1025
0	100	100	192	127	719
	X	X	X	X	-

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AQ 15/11 852

SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

20 1/45 A

From: MMIA

To: REAR HQ 9 ARMY

821/1 RESTRICT D

AQ 2052

FOR MMIA LO (.) YOUR MM/121 OF 13 (.) NAPLES SIGNAL MESSAGE 7556 OF 24 SEP ADDRESSED TO YOU IS REPEATED (.) PAREN ROME AREA 6th Fight 7557 PAREN (.) QUOTE CAR No 1130538 CONTAINING 1500 BOOTS CMA 3000 SHIRTS CMA 1500 BELTS CMA CAR No 251004 CONTAINING 1500 TROUSERS BD CMA 1500 BLOUSES BD CMA 3000 SOCKS COTTON CMA 1500 CAPS GARRISON CMA LEFT 0400 HRS 24 SEP FOR 1500 TPS WITH 228 (.) UNQUOTE

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AUTHENTICATED

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AG 15/11

FROM: MAIA

TO: MAIA LS 5A AMSA

20 16-- A

INFO: LAND FORCES ADRIATIC
AFHQ
WAR MINISTRY

SP 1644

SECRET

Provide LFA with 30 Italian mulateers (.) FARM BASE AREA_____FARM (.) Notify LFA rptd MAIA when available for collection (.) Issue 30 uniforms and blankets from BUTI bulk allotment (.) For AFHQ your AG 091.711/137 GCT-O of 17 OCT 44 refers

PRECEDENCE Priority

AUTHENTICATED [illegible]

Internal copy to "4"

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FROM LROF V LRAR NR 8523 IMPORTANT QVK 2

FROM : REAR EIGHT ARMY 201120A

TO MAIN AA1

INFO MMIA BISTONE FREEDOM

BT

MSGX

Q890 CONFIDENTIAL . REF MAIN AA1 Q(AE) 6864 DATED 19 OCT .

REQUEST 5000 SUITS DYED BATTLE DRESS FOR EIGHTARMY BE CONSIGNED

TO HQ 228 [redacted] ITALIAN DIV DEST NOT RPT NOT ADDS 61 AREA

BT THT 1200

SENT NR 8523 1347A CKP AR

RB 8523 1347 JWR BBB

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SIGNAL MESSAGE AQ 15/11 (829)

DATE TIME 20 A

From: NMIA

To: 54 AREA MAIN AAI
Rpt REAR EIGHT ARMY DISTONE

AQ 2046 823/1

RESTRICTED

FIRST (.) FOR BUFALO (.) FAREN ROSE AREA _____ FAREN (.) REFER AQ 2038 OF 181735 (.) REQUIREMENTS EIGHT ARMY ARE FIVE THOUSAND GREEN ED AND DISTONE FIVE THOUSAND ED CMA FIVE THOUSAND BOOTS CMA TEN THOUSAND SHIRTS CMA FIFTEEN THOUSAND SOCKS CMA FIFTEEN THOUSAND DRAWERS WOOL CMA FIFTEEN THOUSAND MACKINAWS CMA FIFTEEN THOUSAND BLANKETS OR SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED COMFORTERS(.) ALL TO BE RAILED OTPONA CONSIGNED ADOS 61 AREA (.) FOR AAI Q/AE(.) REQUEST YOU INITIATE PRIORITY BID FOR RAIL LIFT

Internal Dist:

Q/AE
Mov; LO

See Folio 838

PRECEDENCE FLASH 1863

AUTHENTICATED _____

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File 828/2

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
Ord/11/SAR

19 October 1944

Subject: Inventory of Allied Items of Clothing and Equipment.

To : Col. Simmons,
Thru A.G.C.
Sardinia

1. MMIA Admin. Instr. # 11 applies to all Italian Depots, supplying Allied items of clothing and equipment to the Italian Military.

2. Enclosed herewith is an additional copy of A/M instructions and it is requested that they be complied with.

3. Enclosed also are copies of the Inventory form to be used in the taking of an inventory the date of which will be the earliest you can arrange.

4. The accounting procedure outlined in the A/M instructions to be effective on the date of the Inventory.

5. Advise this office expected date of Inventory.

Lemuel C Hamilton Capt Inf
for Lt. Colonel
AA & QMG

Q (AG)-1-copy

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MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
Ord/G/S

19 October 1944

Subject: Inventory of Allied Items of Clothing and Equipment.

To : MMIA L/O
HQ Sicily Region
ACC

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for Lt. Colonel
AA & QMG

Lawrence C Hamilton Capt AGD

C (AE) 1-copy

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(828)

24/20

FROM : ACC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO (ACTION) : HEDBASE FOR MEDIA LO

(INFO) : MEDIA

200851A

AQ
15 11
20 10

ACS Y 505 (.) SECRET (.) SHIFT TO LONG (.) RETURNING CRUISER ABRUZZI 21 OCTOBER ETA DUKO 22 OCTOBER (.) HAVE VEHICLES (DRIVERS)? MEET MG EIGHTH EARLIEST PREPARED TO DRIVE COMMANDING OFFICER ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA TO CASERTA (.) NEW SUBJECT (.) FOR SHIFTEX (.) ACCEPTANCE NOTE FIGURE CONFORTERS 74000 ODD CORRECT (.) ALLIED CLOTHING RETAINED SARDINIA REVISED (.) YOU HAVE RECENT INVENTORY FIGURES ITALIAN CLOTHING

robert

IMMEDIATE

Ord.

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Shultz
Mahin

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IMPORTAN 8/20 R945 827

LROF V LAEE NR 94 P P

QVR 3

FROM AF-HQ 192048A

TO MAIN AAI

INFO DISTONE MMIA REAR EIGHTH ARMY

QQX GR ~~2477~~ 25 BT

RESTRICTED FX 41191

MMIA SIGNAL AQ ~~[illegible]~~ 2038 OF 18 OCT AND YOUR Q(AE) 6864 OF 19 OCT

REFER (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.) PROPOSAL AGREED

BT

SENT NR 94 192216A LS B

RECD 94 2216 REB B

MMIA AG 15 11 Jo 1.

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SUBJECT: Indents - Clothing

Military Mission
Italian Army
R O M E
AQ/15/11
19 October 44

TO: Ministry of War

510 GUARD Bn.

Ref your 20131 dated 18 Oct 44.

The items demanded on a/q indent have already been met by MMIA LO BARI, and confirmed by Authority No. AQ/61/390 of 17 Oct 44.

Please confirm correct designation of the Bn is 510 and NOT 512 GUARD Bn.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Major General
Military Mission
Italian Army

COPY TO: MMIA LO 54 Area
(Your Daily Report of Issues
No. 38 of 14 Oct refers)

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LRUF V LRAR 4446 QVR3

FROM MAIN [redacted] AAI 191215

TO FREEDOM

INFO DISTONE MMIA REAR EIGHTH ARMY

Q(AL) 6964 . RESTRICTED . REF MMIA AQ2038 OF 18 OCT .

REQUEST YOU AGREE M M I A PROPOSALS . IN VIEW SHORTAGE TPT IN DISTONE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD MAKE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS RAIL ALL ITEMS FORTHWITH TO ORTONA CONSIGNED ADOS 61 AREA . FOR MMIA MOST GRATEFUL YOUR ASSISTANCE

SENT RR 1300 AR

RR NR 4446 1300 EVW

43/19

R886 825

A2 15/11 1910

823/1

Approved

Lord Rhayader

Marriott

Foote

19 Oct

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AQ 15/11

19/10

SUBJECT:- Clothing

Liaison Officer
Military Mission Italian Army
c/o Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
MM/121

18 Oct 44

Military Mission Italian Army
Rome.

1. Your release 81/330 dated 22 Sep 44 for 1500 sets of B/D, Belts, Caps, Shirts, Socks and Boots instructed the Ministry of War to rail these to JESI by the waggons allotted by EIGHTH ARMY during that week.

2. Evidently the notice was too short, as these supplies never arrived. May an alternative form of delivery please be arranged, as an urgent matter, local stocks of B/D, Caps and Belts being now exhausted, and the other articles running very low?

Lt-Col. G.S.
MMIA Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

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Repeat
ZAK
to Gen
Lee Folio 875
+ 879/1

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LRKD V LRAR NR 4135
QVR 3

FROM MAIN AAI 181730A
TO AFHQ
INFO DISTONE - MMIA

Q(AE) 6858
RESTRICTED (.) GRATEFUL YOU REPLY MY QAE6814 OF 11 (.) MUST STRESS
URGENCY THESE REQUIREMENTS
THI 1840

SENT ~~NR~~ 4135 2337 D M'L B K
RECD NR 4135 2337A J O E B

MMIA | AIR
FILE REF | 15111
Date Rec'd | 19/10/1

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(823)

AQ/15/11

MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN
18 A
1735

TO (FOR ACTION): MAIN AAI

TO (FOR INFORMATION): FREEDOM
DISTONE PASS MMIA LO
KRAR EIGHT ARMY PASS MMIA LO
54 AREA PASS MMIA LO

REF NO: AQ 2038

(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

FOR Q AE (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) IN ORDER SOLVE IMMEDIATE URGENT NEEDS FOR CLOTHING FOR BR. ITIS IN DISTONE AND EIGHT ARMY REQUEST FOLLOWING BE APPROVED (.) FIRST (.) MMIA WILL LOAN FIVE THOUSAND GREEN B DRESS TO DISTONE AND FIVE THOUSAND GREEN B.D TO EIGHT ARMY FROM STOCK NOW IN BARI AND HELD FOR ITI-ITI (.) REPAYMENT IN UNDYED PART-WORN BD BE MADE TO MMIA BY ORD BRIT WHICH MMIA WILL REPAIR COMMA DYE AND ISSUE ITI-ITI LATER(.) SECOND (.) DISTONE DRAWS REQUIREMENTS ITEMS OTHER THAN BD IN AAI SIGNAL QAE 6814 OF ELEVEN OCT FROM ITEMS HANDED BACK TO BRITISH IN MY AQ/6 OF NINE OCT (.) NOTE PULLOVERS NOT AVAILABLE AND COMFORTERS WILL BE ISSUED ON SCALE OF ONE COMFORTER FOR TWO BLANKETS (.) THREE (.) IF ABOVE AGREED SUGGEST DISTONE SEND TPT DIRECT BARI TO DRAW FOR DISTONE AND EIGHT ARMY

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PRECEDENCE: ALL IMMEDIATE

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION: ~~F.T. Hoadley~~
H.G.

Copy to:
Q/AE
ORD

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823

Subject: 92S Division.

Military Mission
Italian Army
Rome
AG 18/11
19 October 1944

To : Col Simmons, MMIA HQ
Sardinia

Copy to: AFHQ
CG, RATOUSA
CG, COMZONE RATOUSA
PBS
MMIA HQ, Naples
AAFSC/SVS for Col Welton

1. It has been ordered that the 92S Division will be shipped to the mainland for assignment to AAF/SVS and PBS. Our signal SU 1816 to AFHQ recommended division of these units to the two Allied commands. Colonel Welton has now given us a list of units to be assigned to the two commands. This list is attached. This division of units appears to have been agreed between AAF/SVS and PBS. We are therefore asking AFHQ to cancel our recommendations as contained in our SU 1816, and to assign the units as agreed between AAF/SVS and PBS.

653 5-th Jacht

2. Refer to our AG/18/11 of 16 August. Lists A and B on this letter specified certain items of clothing to remain in Sardinia. And list C shows items shipped to Sardinia and specifically earmarked for the 92S Division.

3. It is desired that the 92S Division be clothed to scale specified in Annex 1 to MMIA Adm inst No. 12, before the Division is shipped to the mainland. For this purpose the items specified in AG/18/11 of 18 Aug as "to remain in Sardinia" will be used as necessary to supplement available Italian Army items. It is to be understood that the outer uniform will be from Allied sources. Blankets, mess tins, and such items as are available from Italian Army sources will be utilized to the fullest extent. It is desired that suits MT be issued to motor mechanics and vehicle drivers in addition to the normal scale. However, each individual should be equipped to scale before departure from Sardinia.

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4. Report the amount of clothing from Allied sources which you issue to this Division, as well as the Italian items. When your report is received further instructions will be issued regarding the Allied clothing remaining in Sardinia.

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823

Subject: 92D Division.

Military Mission
Italian Army
Rome
AG 16/11
18 October 1944

To : Col Simmons, MMIA LO
Sardinia

Copy to: AFHQ
CG, NATOUSA
CG, COMZONE NATOUSA
G-3
MMIA LO, Naples
AAF/AFO for Col Walton

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653 5th Jacket

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3. It is desired that the 92D Division be clothed to scale specified in Annex H to MMIA Adm Inst No. 15, before the Division is shipped to the mainland. For this purpose the items specified in AG/16/11 of 16 Aug as "To remain in Sardinia" will be used as necessary to supplement available Italian Army items. It is to be understood that the outer uniform will be from Allied sources. Blankets, mess tins, and such items as are available from Italian Army sources will be utilized to the fullest extent. It is desired that suits NOT be issued to motor mechanics and vehicle drivers in addition to the normal scale. However, each individual should be equipped to scale before departure from Sardinia.

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5. It is desired that the units of the 20th Division be shipped at T/O strength as shown on the attached copy of Memorandum of Concern HAWAII.

CLAYTON P. HESS, Colonel
for Major General
AGMIA

CPH/lmk

1 Incl: Memo, Concern, HAWAII

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2/15 822

RAAC MESSAGE FORM

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR		

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN: 171645A

FROM (A) MMA LO 54 AREA

TO (FOR ACTION) REAR EIGTH ARMY FOR MMA LO

TO (FOR INFORMATION) MMA

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS: QJR 2 | GR

(REF. No.) PC/177 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) SECRET.

MTA 83 ASTRA ANCONA 22 Oct with following bales or boxes clothing and equipment Allied. Corforters 200 mackinaws 600 pullovers 100 drawers 240. Italian. Blankets 19 water bottles 8 cups spoons 1 mess tins 6 handkerchiefs 1 packs alpine 17 neversacks 10 puttees 2 belts 1. Will advise MTA remainder.

MMA | AR
15 11
18 10

SECRET

Ref Blue Beach 17 Oct

do 18 Oct

PRO 17 Oct

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Decyphered 17/015A. Iw

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT.	THI OR TOR	Ops.
	ORIGINATING SECTION:		
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION:	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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MESSAGE FORM

AQ 1511

DATE: TIME: ORIGIN
15 1085

FROM: MMIA

TO: 54 AREA
PESS
54 GARRISON FOR GELARDI

REF NO. AQ/2024

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LC (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) IN REPLY TO PM 148 (.) INSTRUCT COMMISSARIATO TO BID THROUGH UFFICIO TRASPORTI FOR MOVEMENT OF BALANCE CLOTHING TO NAPLES.

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATION _____

COPY TO: MOV MMIA

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MESSAGE FORM

AP 15/11

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME ORIGIN
12 1625

TO: 54 AREA

RESTRICTED

REF NO. AQ/2027

8114/11

FOR MMIA LO (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____ PAREN (.) IN REPLY TO
FV/166 OF 14 (.) CAN NOT RPT NOT FIND INDENT REFERRED TO (.)
IS THIS NOT NOW A BRITISH ORD COMMITMENT QUERY (.) IF ITI ITIS
SEND COPY OF INDENT

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATION

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25/16

MMLA AFR
FILE RE 15/11
Date Rec'd 16/6/1

FROM : FBS MMLA LO

TO (ACTION) ACC PALERMO FOR MMLA LO

(INFO) MMLA

8198 (.) SECRET (.) DESPATCHED TO DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO PALERMO 14 OCTOBER ON RAIL CAR NO. 777 BOOTS 1500, SHIRTS COTTON 1500, SOCKS COTTON 2000, BELTS WEB 1000, THREAD 100 KILOGRAMS BY AUTHORITY MMLA AQ/61/154. KKKOEX

IMPORTANT

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R 114819

7/16

AQ
15 11
16 10

LROF V LAEE HR 54

FOR MHIA GVRS/6

FROM: DISTIREE 151217 A

TO: A BLU , B BLU , C BLU , D BLU

E BLU , F BLU

OOK GR 23 DT

02677 . CONFIDENTIAL . ALL ~~R~~ DELAYS EXPERIENCED IN

OBTAINING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH

~~DIRECTIVES~~ AFHQ RELEASES AND INSTRUCTIONS// INSTRUCTIONS

~~WILL~~/ WILL BE REPORTED TO THIS HQ

THI 1220

SENT HR 54 2124A WB B K

RPT FROM EQUIPMENT TO AND INSTRUCTIONS PSE

AND EQUIPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFHQ RELEASES AND INSTRUCTIONS

Copy sent to
Special Section
16/10
E

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RECD 54 2124 REB B

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

39/15

Register No. 818

Call	Sel. No.	Priority
		P

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Transmission Instructions

FROM (X) Originator: PBS MMIA LO

Date-Time of Origin: 151403A

Office Date Stamp

AQ 15 11 16.10

For Action: MMLA

TO (W) For Information (INFO): ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS

Message Instructions

CP

Originator's No. 8199 (.) RESTRICTED (.) FOR COMPLIANCE WITH YOUR AQ/15 OF 3 OCTOBER AND TO MEET USUAL NORMAL RELEASES FOR ITALIAN UNITS NAPLES CLOTHING STOCK MUST BE IMMEDIATELY SUPPLEMENTED BY BALANCE SARDINIAN STOCK LISTED YOUR AQ/15/11 OF 16 AUGUST (.) THIS STOCK MUST BE SHIPPED SOONEST

65-3 5-Mk Jacket.

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS { EXCEPT } WIRELESS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY: IMPORTANT

Time THI or TOR: Time closed 250

System

Op.

SIGNED

S/G 580

(OVER)

W.T. 95M 194 2,500,000 Pads 5/41 B.A.S. Ltd 51-6745 6

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SUBJECT: Clothing - Italian Military

Military Mission
Italian Army
ROME
AQ/15/11
13 October 44

TO: HQ 1220 L of C Tps Engrs

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Ref your signal message 1220/A/94 of 10 Oct 44.

In accordance with the terms of AFHQ directive AG/400/105/ DO of 22 Sept the clothing of Italian tps under Br Comd. is now a commitment of Br. ORD.

Your indent should therefore be placed through normal ORD channels.

F.A. COLE, Major
for Lt.Col. AA/QMG
Military Mission
Italian Army

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AQ/15/11

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LROF V LAEE NR 17 QVE-1-2 "R"

FROM 1220 HQ L OF C TROOPS ENGRS 15N2000

TO ITALIAN MINISTRY OF WAR

(RPTD) IMIA

(RPTD) 121 ROAD CONSTRN COY RE

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1220/1/94A REF 1220A94 OF 10 OCT (.)

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1220/5/24A REF 1220A24 OF 10 OCT (.)

6 COY 407 INF REGT URGENTLY REQUIRED FOLLOWING ITEMS OF CLOTHING

BATTLEDRESS NOS 150

BOOTS PRS 150 SOCKS PRS 150 VESTS 150 PANTS 150

SHIRTS 150 PLEASE HASTEN RELEASE (.) 248

BT

SENT NR 17 15/1151A VG

RECD 17 1151 REB B

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE: TIME: ORIGIN

15 1140

TO: 54 AREA

RESTRICTED

REF NO. AQ/2035

794/1 6th Jacket

FOR MMIA LO (.) PAREN ROME AREA ____/____ PAREN (.) IN REPLY TO FS 162 (.) REFER TO MY MESSAGE AQ/1982 OF 07 (.) ISSUES OF MINIMUM ESSENTIAL CLOTHING EARMARKED FOR BRITISH IS APPROVED AND CONFIRMED BY AFHQ (.) THEIR MESSAGE FX 36007 OF 08 TO DISTWO REFERS.

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PRECEDENCE Immediate

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IMPORTANT 79/1 8013 8141

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OLRKE V LAEE NR37 P P

FROM MMIAL LO 54 AREA
TO MMIA

PV /166 14
RESTRICTED (.) PLEASE CHASE INDENT Ø3/12977 OF 6 SEP IN
RESPECT 139 AA GP EMPLOYED 25 AA BDE
TOO 1645 A THI 141725

SENT NR37 19/ 14---1956A RJM B K
RECD NR 37 14/1956 A AAA B1

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QVR6 CIPHER 2821 814

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

INCOMING MESSAGE

9/15

FROM : MEDIALO 54 AREA

CLASSIFICATION SECRET.

REFERENCE No. : F3162

AP/15/11

DATE TIME RECEIVED : Deciphered 142359A

DATE TIME GROUP : 141515A

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

TO:-

ACTION : (1) FOTALI

INFO : (2) 52 AREA (3) DISTHREE (4) DISTHREE EAST (5) 54 AREA (6) MEDIA (7) MIL HQ P AND L (8) FREEDOM QAM

SUBJECT IS 1000 ITALIAN MILITARY EX BALKANS FOR INCLUSION IN COMBAT GPS. FOR FOTALI. REQUEST YOU DISEMBARK BARI AND NOT RPT NOT TARANTO. ACCN FOR 1200 AVAILABLE BARI ALSO HOSPITALS AND ADMINISTRATION AND SIM CENTRED ON BARI. ACCN FOR 400 ONLY AVAILABLE ROCCA FORZATA 13 KMS OUT SIDE TARANTO FOR MEDIA. PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE SHOWS (? ?) EX BALKANS SCANTILY CLAD AND DEFINITELY NO BOOTS. REQUEST AUTHY TO DRAW ON ITALIAN STOCKS FOR MINIMUM NECESSARY OR TO USE PART OF ALLIED CLOTHING ALLOTTED FOR THEM EX BARI DEPOT. PRESENT DEMOBILISATION SCHEME APPLIES IN THIS CASE

SECRET

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SUBJECT: Discrepancies in reports.

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
AQ/15/11
14 October 1944

TO: MMIA LO Naples

ATT: LT. LAMBRECHT

1. Issue Voucher No. 1, dated October 10, 1944 arrived this office October 13, 1944. Following is called to your attention.

2. Stock numbers do not agree with the nomenclature. On line No. 6, No. 116/A is called Pantaloni Di Panno (Trousers Wool). The correct nomenclature for Stock No. 116/A is, Pantaloni Di Lana (Trousers, Wool Dyed P/W). It is requested more care be exercised in the correct use of nomenclature and Stock numbers in your reports to this office, as confusion is inevitable when a report such as this is received.

3. Further, the Daily Report of Receipts and Issues dated October 11, 1944 arrived in this office, but not accompanied by an Acceptance Note, or Receipts covering above Issues and Receipts. The above is indicative of the fact that Receipts and Acceptance Notes are not being executed, as per instructions laid by MMIA Adm. No. 11. It is further requested that these instructions be followed to the letter.

Respectfully yours,

LCH:ri

L.C. HAMILTON, Capt.

Incl: 3 copies Issue Voucher No. 1

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Subject: Clothing - Italian Air Force.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AQ/15/11

14 Oct 44

MMIA LO,
HQ SARDINIA DISTRICT AGS,
A.P.O. 534 U.S.ARMY

790/1 6th Jacket.

Ref your letter of 6 Oct 44.

Under the terms of AFHQ directive AG/400/105/DO of 22 Sep, the clothing of Air Force personnel is no longer a commitment of this HQ.

It is regretted therefore that the request cannot be approved.

F.A.C.LE Major.
For Lt.Col.AA & QMG
M. M. I. A.

FAC/hh

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MESSAGE FORM

AQ/15/11

FROM: MMIA

DATE: TIME: ORIGIN
13 1805

TO: PES

XRD

RXEXEXXXRXXXETTE

RESTRICTED

REF NO: AQ/2016

FOR MMIA LO (.)PAREN ROME AREA _____PAREN (.) AUTHORIZATION
AQ/61/357 of 22 SEPT (.) CANCEL ISSUES TO 160 ITI PNR. LAB.
COY AND ADDRESSED TO ADL RAAC.

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATION [signature]

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Translation.

From M of W. Ref.no 20675/V
to MMIA. copy. Date 13 oct 44

Assignment of clothing from allied sources

Ref letter 2/12374/1217 of the 27/9/44 (copies to MMIA HQ and MMIA 2nd district)

It is not necessary for the Ministry to sanction assignment of clothing from allied sources if arranged by MMIA Liaison officer directly with MMIA HQ as it was done for attached request.

From Mil.com. Puglia and Lucania
to M of W

Ref.no 2/12374/1217.
Date 27/9 44

attached letter

The u/m clothing articles from allied sources assigned to this Center of prisoners of war by 2nd District with letter 109/118 of the 25 sept 44 are to be drawn from the Clothing and equipment Depot of BARI

3000 Blankets

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From Mil com. Puglia and Lucania
to M of W

Ref n° 2/2774/1217.
Date 27/4 44

attached letter

The u/m clothing articles from allied sources assigned to this Center of pioneer labors by 2nd District with letter 109/118 of the 28 sept 44 are to be drawn from the Clothing and equipment Depot of Bari

1000 Blouses.
1000 trousers
1000 cotton shirts
3000 pairs of repaired boots

As laid down by Admin. instruction n°1 of MMLT this command must hand over to Salvage Depot. all the articles of clothing which have been exchanged. this to be done as soon as possible and not later than 30 days from present date.

The Depot (Salvage) will follow the instruction issued by MMLT for all its details.

We beg the M of W to confirm the assignment as announced by 2nd District.

Rettanti

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERV.I DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Vestiario
Prot. N.° 20575/V Allegati

Roma, 13 OTT 1944

Al A.S.
13/10

Risposta al foglio del
Div. n.

OGGETTO : Assegnazione materiali V.E. di provenienza alleata.
Assignment of allied clothing materials

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA — P.M.67

e, per conoscenza :

ALL'ARMY SUB COMMISSION A.C.C. MAIN HQ MMIA (allegato 1) — R O M A

ALL'UFFICIALE DI COLLEGAMENTO MMIA 2° DISTRICT (allegato 1) — B A R I

Riferimento foglio n. 2/12374/1217 del 27/9 u.s. (unita copia per l'A.S.C. e per l'Ufficiale M.M.I.A. 2° District).

Considerato che per la conferma delle distribuzioni di oggetti di v.e. di provenienza alleata disposte dagli ufficiali di collegamento della M.M.I.A. questi ultimi interessano direttamente l'Army Sub Commission, non si rende necessaria, da parte di questo Ministero, alcuna sanzione in merito alle cessioni di cui al foglio in riferimento.

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C O P I A

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA
DIREZIONE DI COMM.TO
2^ Sezione

N. 2/12374/1217/V.E.=GE. di prot. Bari, 27/9/944

OGGETTO : Assegnazione materiali di V.E. di provenienza alleata.

AL 1° CENTRO FORMAZIONE PIONIERI ITALIANI — MINERVINO MURGE

e, per conoscenza :

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Direz.Gen.Serv.Comm.Mil.Div.Vest. — R O M A
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA - Uff. Servizi - — P.M.67
AL DEPOSITO V.E. DIREZIONALE (CAPANNONI LAROCCA) — B A R I
AL MAGAZZINO MILITARE RECUPERI — B A R I

I sottonotati oggetti di V.E. di provenienza alleata, assegnati a codesto Centro di Formazione Pionieri dal 2° District con foglio n. 109/118 del 25 corrente, siano prelevati presso il Deposito V.E. Direzionale (Capannoni Larocca-Extr.Capruzzi) in Bari :

- 3000 giubbotti
- 3000 pantaloni
- 3000 camicie di cotone
- 3000 paia di stivaletti riparati.

A norma delle istruzioni amministrative n. 1 della sottocommissione dell'esercito dell'A.C.C., codesto Comando dovrà versare al magazzino Recuperi, appena possibile e non oltre 30 giorni dalla data della presente, altrettanti oggetti (quelli sostituiti).

Il Magazzino Recuperi si atterrà scrupolosamente a quanto prescritto dalle disposizioni in vigore, già note.

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Si prega il Ministero della Guerra compiacersi

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Si prega il Ministero della Guerra compiacersi sanzionare la cessione di cui sopra, per la quale si è interessato il 2° District.

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
F.to A. La Zara.

PER COPIA CONFORME
Il Direttore Capo Divisione
E. A. Allaria

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LEKD V MJAC MR10 PP

FROM MMIA LO 54 AGA

TO MMIA RPT PBS FOR MMIA LO

PO 545 RESTRICTED. FROM SHIPLEY FOR COLE. NAPLES

ADVISE YOUR

AUTHORISATIONS SUCH AS GA61/375 INCLUDE ITEMS

ALLOTTED FROM BARI

AND NOT RPT NOT ~~WITHDRAWN~~ NAPLES STOCKS. ITEMS RELEASE

BY YOUR AG197 — 791

DATED 7 OCTOBER ALREADY WITHDRAWN FROM BARI
AND ANYTHING FURTHER

FROM NAPLES WILL BE DUPLICATION. PARTIAL

RELEASES OR ANY VARIATION

FROM BULK ALLOTMENTS AS SCHEDULED FOR

EITHER BRITISH OR U S NEED

FULL EXPLANATION TO BOTH NAPLES

AND BARI IN ORDER TO AVOID

DUPLICATION AND CONFUSION. NAPLES

SHOULD RECEIVE FURTHER

INSTRUCTION RE SUCH AUTHORISATIONS ALREADY

ISSUED. LEAVING

BARI FOR NAPLES 12 OCT

TMI NIL

NPTR 536/7 2 1

54 145 COLE G1/375

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DT

SENT NR 10 11/2143A AMF SIPB K

RCD NR 10 11/2143A HRA ZB

HEADQUARTERS
12 OCT 944
A. C

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AQ/15/11 Secret. 808/1

AI2 14/10

Subject :- Clothing of Italian Combat Groups

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Tele No. Freedom 427

AFHQ/9187/Q(AE)

11 Oct 44

Crd (DF)

Confirming conversation Parsons - Beasley.

1. Personnel of No.3 and 4 Italian Combat Groups are arriving, having just returned from the line. They require winter clothing. It has been agreed that Grade 3 clothing shall be made available at once. It has also been agreed with M.M.I.A. that this will have to count against their re-equipment when it comes round in the agreed phased programme.

2. Will you please meet demands accordingly. It is understood the number involved at present is approximately 6,000.

R.W. BEASLEY, Major,
for Brigadier,
Q(AE).

RWB/MH

Copy to :- M.M.I.A. ✓
'C' B.L.U.

Noted AAG 14 Oct

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FROM MAIN AAI 111700

TO AFHQ

INFO DISTONE MMIA

Q(AE) 6814 CONFIDENTIAL .

AS RESULT CHANGE IN POLICY MAINT BRIT TI IS DEMANDS FOR WINTER CLOTHING PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED BY DISTONE NOT BEING MET BY MMIA . DISTONE REPORT POSN CRITICAL AND ITALIAN TPS DEFICIENT CLOTHING WHICH // RESULTING DESERTION HIGH SICK RATE AND LOWERING MORALE . ITEMS MOST URGENTLY REQUIRED ARE BATTLEDRESS SUITS 5000 BOOTS 10000 SHIRTS 15000 BLANKETS SOCKS DRAWERS PULLOVERS AND OVERCOATS EACH 20000 . MMIA STATE MAJORITY ITEMS CAN BE MET FROM STOCKS HANDED OVER TO YOU WITH EXCEPTION BATTLEDRESS FOR ISSUE OF WHICH FROM THEIR STOCKS YOUR AUTHIRTY REQUIRED . GRATEFUL YOU ADVISE EARLIEST WHAT ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE . ITEM SHOULD BE CONSIGNED TO ANCONA . FOR DISTONE CANNOT AGREE ISSUE ABOVE ITEMS FROM BRITISH STOCKS SENT RR 1903 B1

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LRAR NR 54 RD 111903 ECP K

WA MAINT FIRST LINE PSE

N Acft 12/10 AAP 15/11 12-10
1 will speak
1 Sunderland

See folio 824 & 831/2