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AG/49 FINAL POLICY

Dec. 1943 - July 1944

Subject: Maintenance of C.I.L. by
Delagazione "A".

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ. MMIA.
R.O. E.
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To: MINISTRY OF WAR

24 Jul 44.

1. Maintenance of clothing, personal and domestic equipment, Medical supplies for C.I.L. will be carried out in the following way.
2. Demands. C.I.L. will demand on Delagazione "A" for all items required in the categories given in para 1 above. It is the duty of Del "A" either (a) to provide from the forward depots established for Del "A", or (b) to obtain the items from other Italian stocks through regular Italian channels.

Only if the item is not available through (a) or (b) above will Del "A" certify to the Allied Formation commanding C.I.L. that the item is not available from Italian sources.

3. Stocks to be held in fwd depots under Del "A" control.

(a) CLOTHING, personal and domestic equipment.

(i) Items of Italian Origin will be set up and stocked under Italian arrangements. Ministry of War will submit to MMIA for approval the list of items and the maximum amount it is proposed to hold forward.

(ii) Items of Allied Origin will be issued to Del "A" by HQ MMIA in bulk. Release will be made to units from the fwd Del "A" depot only upon the authorisation of the MMIA Liaison Officer with C.I.L. (at present Major GELARDI).

(iii) Separate instructions are being sent Major GELARDI on quantities to be provided and method of control of issues.

(b) Medical supplies.

Separate arrangements are being made by D.A.D.P.S., MMIA.

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Major GELARDI
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For information :-

'Q' HQ AMI.

For Major General.
Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.

C O P Y

Final Policy
(24)

Subject: Posting of Officers.

Army Sub. Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MHA)
LHQ (LSCB)
AS/11.

3 July 44

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. In order to ensure that experience gained by officers in specialist work is not wasted by frequent changes, officers of Italian Units under Allied Command will not be changed, without prior reference to, and consent of the Allied Command concerned.
2. This consent will normally be given, and only where agreement cannot be reached mutually, will reference be made to this HQ.
3. The above in no way alters previous instructions sent to the Ministry of War, concerning Units under command P.B.S.

(sgd) CLAYTON P. KERN Colonel.
for Major General.
Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.

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Cop: to: S.M.R.E.

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SUBJECT: Registration Sick & Wounded - GARIBOLDI DIV.

Lt. Col. GARIBOLDI,
A.C.C.,
BALDWIN.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MILITARY)
LAWGILL (LAWGILL)
5/6/4
4 July 44.

Reference your LCU/22/27 of 29 June to WECB 266.

1. Attention is invited to our LCU/2 of 25 June which defines disposition of sick and wounded soldiers.
2. The personnel of the GARIBOLDI Division is not carried as a part of the Italian Army as far as we are concerned, and then returned will not be admitted to Italian military hospitals. Therefore, the Italian Government will have to make arrangements for their hospitalization from other than Army resources, as neither rations, clothing or medical supplies furnished under V.M. 333 will be used for this purpose.

3. The Surgeon of the Italian Army is attempting to get the cooperation of the various Ministries in taking care of the returned POWs and others in the military hospitals at the present time who do not come within the provision of our letter. The Italian Government stated that it would take care of returned POWs. Actually this was done by placing them in Army hospitals, which now has to be corrected.

4. You should make plain to Marshal ISSERL that any people returned from the GARIBOLDI must be taken care of from resources other than resources we have made available under V.M. 333 and that we should make necessary arrangements to do so.

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Colonel
Lt. Major General,
Army Sub Comm., A.C.C.

W.S. CRY.

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4. You should make plain to Marshal KENNEDY that any people returned from the CARBONATE must be taken care of from resources other than resources we have made available under F.M. 103 and that he should make necessary arrangements to do so.

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[Signature]

Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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F. P. O. (22)

Subject: Demobilisation and leave - Italian
troops under command of Allied Formations.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMA)
LEQUILLE (LECE)
AQ/17.

June 14.

To: S.M.R.E.
Ministry of War.

1. No Italian Officers or other ranks serving in formations or units under command of the Allies will be removed or demobilised until their replacement is on the spot and ready for duty.
2. No leave will be granted without the agreement of the Allied Commander concerned.

[Signature]
Major General.
Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.

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5 Corps.
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Allied Garrison Comd GARDENIA
HQ 56 Area
All 1201A Liaison Offrs.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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: 15 June 1944 :
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AG 400-1 (Italian) GDS-O

15 June 1944

SUBJECT: Scale of Supply for Italian Troops.

TO : Combined Chiefs of Staff, War Department, Washington, D. C.

That part of paragraph 4 b of letter, this headquarters, AG 400-1 (Italian) GDS-O, dated 7 June 1944, subject: "Scale of Supply for Italian Troops", relating to material stores and disinfectants is amended to show that the scale is 30-days reserve per 1,000 Italian troops to be held in Italian depots.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater:

H. V. Roberts
H. V. ROBERTS, Jr.
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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SECRET, Rations, supplies, or stores for civilians
or militarized personnel.

Minister for War
Chief of Staff, SMPE

Reference, Minister for War's No. 5403/S of 28 May 1944.

1. None of the supplies or stores turned over to the Italian Government by the Allied Governments for the use of the Italian Armed Forces may be issued except to those who are bonafide members of the Italian Armed Forces in every sense, and who are borne on the rosters of the Ministry concerned, and who are within the list of those who have been approved as effective.

2. The following classes of persons are not considered to be bonafide members of the Italian Armed Forces, and are not entitled to be issued any of the supplies or stores authorized by the Combined Chiefs of Staff :

- a. Civilians
- b. Civilian employees of the Italian Government, regardless of employment by the Army, Navy or Air Force.
- c. Red Cross workers.

3. No authority will be granted for the sale or barter of any such supplies or stores to any person.

4. The strength returns of the Italian Armed Forces will include only bonafide members of the Italian Armed Forces. Civilian employees of the Army, Navy or Air Force will not be shown on such returns.

5. Any and all instructions issued by you authorizing the issue, sale or barter of any supplies or stores defined herein, to any of the individuals defined in par. 2, above, or to any other individuals not actually bonafide members of the Italian Army, will be cancelled forthwith.

6. You will at once advise this Headquarters.

a. The total amount of equipment, stores, supplies or rations, issued or sold to civilians by all Italian Army Depots.

b. The total amount of money collected by such depots for such equipment, stores, supplies, or rations.

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 - a. The total amount of equipment, stores, supplies or rations, issued or sold to civilians by all Italian Army Depots.
 - b. The total amount of money collected by such depots for such equipment, stores, supplies, or rations.
 - c. The disposition of the money which has been received for such supplies, equipment, stores, or rations.
7. It is desired that you issue necessary instructions to all concerned, furnish this Hq a copy of such instructions.

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 HQ No 3 District

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Col Simmons thru Allied Garrison Comd.

Col Albert, MMIA LO thru C.O.I.RS

Stato Maggiore R Esposito

Maj Gen,

Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

MMIA LO at HQ A.C.C.

MMIA LO with 31 Italian Corps

MMIA LO FIFTH Army

MMIA LO with HQ Rear EIGHTH Army

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY-SUB-COMMISSION
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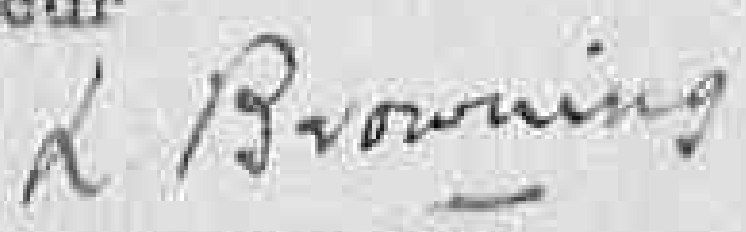
SUBJECT: Issue of Supplies to Italian Armed Forces

TO: Colonel Clayton P. Kerr, Infantry

In conformity with instructions contained in 2nd Ind. AAI, 14 May 1944, you are designated as the U.S. officer at Headquarters MMIA to control and supervise the receipt, storage and issue of items of United States ownership which are controlled by MMIA for issue to the Italian Armed Forces, and as the representative of the senior U.S. Administrative Officer, AAI are authorized to issue instructions to U.S. officers of MMIA in the field with respect to the administration of matters of U.S. interest pertaining to MMIA.


CLAYTON P KERR
Colonel Infantry
Senior United States Officer
Army Sub-Commission ACC

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Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC

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SUBJECT: Clothing & Equipment COMR & GCPF.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MIA)
LONDON (LACR)
AC/15/1.

11 May 44.

RE: A.C.C. - Public Safety Sub Commission.
(3 Copies)

Ref your ACC/14001/8/13 dated 28 Apr and ACC/14012/1/15 dated 2 May on above subject, the policy and procedure is as below -

1. HQ. A.C.C. in their 1405/50/3/1 (G) D. B.I dated 3 Apr (App. "A" of which is attached for reference) recommended to C.C.S. at BARRINGTON that the total number of COMR and GCPF be "effectively employed" by the Allies should be 60000, of which "37000 employed at present and remainder only required after a further advance by the Allies". This figure has NOT been approved yet.

2. As regards maintenance of the above numbers of COMR and GCPF: -

(a) Uniforms - are issuable either on "Basic" or Combat Scale, according to circumstances. It is probable that a new small scale will be authorized for all effective Italian Army troops (including COMR and GCPF) in lieu of the separate combat and Basic scales.

(b) Uniforms - the policy is that only units employed or to be employed by the Allies will be issued with battle dress i.e. of the dyed green type and second hand after disposal by Allied troops. We have only a limited stock of this, so in any event have not enough to issue to other than the category mentioned. However, I understand that the Chief Commissioner disapproves of COMR and GCPF being dressed in other than their traditional dress, for obvious political reasons.

The issue of uniform for COMR and GCPF is entirely the responsibility of the Italian Ministry of War and depends of course thus on needs, stocks available and facilities for repair or making new uniforms. After discussion with Brig. Lill recently I sent into this matter and pressed it of it to "Get a move on", which they assure me is being done. Incidentally (ref para 5 of your ACC/14001/8/13 dated 17 Mar), there is only enough in stock in SAUDIHA for making 1000 uniforms, the rest having already been used up.

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(c) Boots - are issuable by the Allies on a basis of need, as stocks are short and arrivals slow. We have not enough for a complete issue to everybody. You have had more than your relative quota in receiving 5000.

(d) Miscellaneous - certain items are issuable by the Allies, but have again, owing to shortage of stocks and slow arrival, we have to issue on a basis of need. i.e. what is authorized and what is available (depending on shipments from U.S.A. and United Britain and thus out of our hands) are two very different things. It is doubtful whether COMINTS will be issuable without requisitioning and consequent adverse effect on the female part of the civil population.

(e) Repair and Manufacturing Facilities - for clothing and boots is still under discussion with AFHQ. We are pressing for this.

3. As regards WARRING OF COMINTS AND COMPT - Your figures are not under- stood. Based on it of 8 returns as at 25 Apr, we understand that those are the

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Locality	CCFR	CCFE
SARDINIA	4853	968
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Mainland in rear of Army Bourbonnais.	11072	4430
With US Form- ation Fifth Army	1095	483
TOTALS:	26271	7995

4. (a) I hope, from the above, that U.S. I.A. responsibility and the state of affairs is now clear to you.

(b) What seems to be required now is :-

Firstly an adjustment of ideas as to what is possible as regards issue of uniform, boots and underclothing over the next few months.

Secondly a statement of the total numbers of such articles required :-

- (1) REPARATION
(11) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
(111) AS A LONG TERM POLICY.

This will give me and H of W a practical figure to work to, bearing in mind other demands.

(a) Meanwhile, I am instructing my Liaison Officer with H of W again to discuss the whole matter with them in the light of your letters of 23 Apr and 2 May referred to above and to re-emphasize your preoccupation over this difficult matter.

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REQUIRE a statement of the total numbers of such articles
required : -

- (1) IMMEDIATELY
- (11) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
- (111) AS A LONG TERM POLICY.

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bearing in mind other demands.

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your preoccupation over this difficult matter.

Yours, LR,

Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Final Policy FileSECRETSubject: Italian Army - Calling-up of ClassesRe: ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.

ADJ/3074/A(C).

11 May 44

Ref this HQ 3110/A(C) dated 17 Mar and 3074/A(C) dated 20 Mar 44.

1. It has now been decided that the calling-up of the 1920/24 classes for military service by the Italian Military Authorities will apply to all eligible personnel, and not be restricted to illegal absentees. The calling-up will also apply to the Italian Army, Navy and Air Force.
The above-mentioned letters will be enclosed accordingly.

2. As a result of the above decision exemption may be applied for by members of the Allied Forces, in accordance with the procedure previously outlined.

3. It is understood, however, that exemption will only be granted in respect of skilled personnel where a limited employment is considered vitally or operationally necessary, and provided such employment is within WE or has been specially authorized. (This HQ 3074/A(C) dated 4 May 44 refers).

4. Application for exemption may also be made on similar grounds in respect of personnel employed by civilian firms doing work of operational importance for the Allied Forces.

5. In the case of Army and Air Force personnel applications for exemption should be marked accordingly in the top right-hand corner of the form, and otherwise dealt with in accordance with existing procedure.

6. All exemptions granted under this scheme will now be valid only for a period of 3 months from date of exemption, and application for subsequent deferment will be made in the same manner except that the form will be marked "Application for Renewal of Exemption" and quote previous authorization.

7. Personnel who are granted exemption and are subsequently released or discharged from their employment will be reported to the exempting authorities who will cancel exemption and inform Col NEWSON, Italian Liaison Officer, HQ 3110.

8. Exempting authorities will forward to L. Branch, HQ 3110 a monthly report showing the numbers called up and those in which they are employed.

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7. Personnel who are granted exemption and are subsequently released or discharged from their employment will be reported to the exempting authorities who will cancel exemption and inform Col NEMOKI, Italian Liaison Officer, Hq. IAL.
8. Exempting authorities will forward to IAL Branch, HQ IAL a monthly report showing the numbers granted and treated in which they are employed.

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Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer. 5498

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3074/A(O)

20 Mar 44

SUBJECT: Italian Army - Calling up of Classes

1. The following amendments are made to this HQ 3110/A(O) dated 17 Mar 44.

(a) It is the intention that the calling up of classes referred to shall apply only to illegal absentees :-
After "Authorities" in para 1 insert
"illegal absentees of"

(b) Delete para 4 and substitute :-

"In such cases employing units etc of Services concerned may make application for exemption. These exemptions will be considered and decided by the undermentioned authorities whose decision will be final:

- (1) Command of Districts, Base Sections or equivalent formations.
(ii) FOWIT, AAFSC/MTO and Adv HQ 214 Group RAF.

Any cases of dispute will be referred to 'A' Branch, HQ AAI (Adm Ech).

The exempting authority will complete Coln 9 of the pro-forma in respect of all personnel classified (a) or (b), indicating whether or not exemption has been granted and the pro-forma will be signed in such cases.

Where exemptions are authorized the employing unit will be informed and a certificate (see Annexure 'A') will be given to each exempted Italian as evidence for production to the Italian Military Authorities.

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Main Eighth Army
5 (US) Army
5 (US) Army (Br Inor)
5 Corps
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Major-General,
C.A.O.

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 for Major-General,
 C.M.C.

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CAF.

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17 MAR 44

SUBJECT :- Italian Army-Calling up of Classes

1. In accordance with arrangements made with the Italian Military Authorities the following classes are being called up for Military Service in the Italian Army :-

1920, 1921, 1922, 1923 and 1924 classes.

2. A number of Italians eligible to be called up are at present employed as civilians with the Allied Forces and in order to avoid undue dislocation of labour it has been decided to call up only one class at a time.

3. It is also appreciated that certain technical personnel employed as skilled labour may be more valuable to the war effort in continuing their present work for the Allies than in the Allied Forces.

4. In such cases employing units may make application for exemption from call up. These applications will be considered by AFHQ Local Resources (MIL) Board whose decision will be final.

5. Italian PW employed by the Allied Forces are not affected by this order.

6. In order that call up of these classes may be properly enforced and applied to all eligible Italians employed by the Allied Forces, the attached pro-forma will be circulated by all units or bodies of Italian PWs in any of the classes affected.

7. Pro-forma will be forwarded through the normal channels to HQ AFHQ Corps and Districts who will despatch them to Colonel MASON, Liaison Officer, HQ AAF.

8. Pro-forma will show clearly :-

- (a) Skilled men to be retained and for whom exemption is required.
- (b) Unskilled men who are useful but who could be recalled to Military Service on replacement by other Italian personnel.
- (c) In the case of personnel under (a) and (b) the nature of their present employment will be clearly stated.

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5. Italian ...
 6. In order that all of these classes may be properly understood and applied to all eligible Italian employed by the Allied Forces, the necessary pro-forma will be completed by all units attached Italian and personnel of the classes mentioned.

7. Pro-formas will be forwarded through the normal channels to HQ British Corps and Directorate who will despatch them to Colonel HARRIS, Major Italian Officer, HQ 1st.

8. Pro-formas will show clearly :-
 (a) Skilled men to be retained and for whom exemption is required.
 (b) Unskilled men who are useful but who could be recruited to military service on replacement by other Italian personnel.
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Thompson
for Major J. B. S. B.

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 PBS
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 HQ 2nd AF
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SUBJECT: Supplies to GARIBALDI Division

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main Hq (MIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/8
May 44.

To: Chief of the General Staff,
S.M.R.E.

1. As a result of my conversations with Brig. MILES, it has been established definitely that all sups for the GARIBALDI Div will come from the allotment to Partisan 2 Corps, and will be distributed under the direction of G.C. 2 Corps. This is clearly understood by the British Liaison Officer with 2 Corps.
2. This officer has requested that no stores be marked specifically for GARIBALDI Div as this has caused bad feeling in the past, but that distribution be left entirely in Partisan hands.
3. Please see that this request is adhered to and also that the general position is clearly understood by the GARIBALDI Div.

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF THE NEW ITALIAN MILITARY RATION WILL NOT ARRIVE UNTIL JULY 1944. REFERENCE CABLE BPCOS 14617 DATED 27 APRIL. EFFORT BEING MADE TO BRING IN ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS SO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ISSUE WILL BE THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE. AMHQ OR MBIA WILL ADVISE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE NEW RATION:

FOR YOUR INFO THE NEW RATION WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: (A) TO BE FURNISHED BY ITALIAN MILITARY FROM LOCAL RESOURCES AND AT THEIR EXPENSE:

	New	A	B
FRESH VEGETABLES	8 OUNCES	8	8
OLIVE OIL	1 OUNCE	1	1
SALT	1/2 OUNCE	1/2	1/2
NUTS	1/2 OUNCE	1 1/2	1
WINE	1/2 CLITER	1/2	1/2
FRUIT	4 OUNCES	4	4

THE CALORIC VALUE OF ABOVE IS 921.

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(B) TO BE FURNISHED BY MIA FROM SUBSISTENCE SHIPPED FROM PEMBERK
OR RELEASED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS AS EXCESS STOCK:

		A	B
CANNED MEAT OR PRESERVED FISH	3 OUNCES	4	2 + 2
SUGAR	1 OUNCE	1	1/2
MACARONI	3 OUNCE	3	1
RICE	1 OUNCES	2	1
CHEESE	1 OUNCE	1	1
BEANS (OR PEAS) DRIED	2 OUNCES	2	1
TOMATO CATSUP OR PASTE	1/2 OUNCE	1/2	1/2
FLOUR	12 OUNCE	18	12
PULSES (VEGETABLES DEHYDRATED)	1 OUNCE	1 1/2	2
PEPPER	1/200 OUNCE	1/200	1/200
COFFEE	1/2 OUNCE	1/2	1/2
MATCHES (WEEKLY ISSUE)	2 BOOKS OR 1 BOX	200	-

THE CALORIC VALUE OF MEAT ABOVE IS 2368. IN PART (B) ABOVE ARE
LISTED THE MINIMUM COMPONENTS WHICH CAN BE FURNISHED FROM EXTERNAL
RESOURCES.

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SUBJECT: Reinforcement, Italian Army

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MELA)
IS. VILLE (LFCO)
AG/S
18 Apr 44

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To: W.C. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

1. OBJECT. The object of this letter is to define the procedure by which the C.I.L. (1/100) other Forces under Allied Comd (180000) and other authorized Forces of the Italian Army (1/7070) are maintained at the correct strength as laid down by the C.C.S. (see Appendixes "A" and "B").

2. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The procedure, to be effective, must incorporate the following main factors :-

- (a) the Forces maintained and fed by the Allies must always be only those who are "in fact effective". Non-effectives must be eliminated and immediately replaced by effectives.
- (b) the total number of personnel must not exceed the ceiling as laid down from time to time.
- (c) The procedure must provide for : -
 - (i) as regards C.I.L. immediate battle replacements, normal wastages, replacement of complete units for rest, re-equipment and reorganization.
 - (ii) as regards Forces under Allied Comd normal wastages.
 - (iii) as regards other authorized Forces normal wastages and reinforcements to enable (i) and (ii) above to be implemented.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF C.I.L.

- (a) Immediate Battle Replacements and Normal Wastages

The set up of the C.I.L. includes a Reinforcement Unit to hold 2000

(c) The procedure must provide for : -

- (1) as regards C.I.L.: immediate battle replacements, normal wastages, replacement of complete units for rest, re-equipment and reorganization.
- (11) as regards Forces under Allied Command normal wastages.
- (111) as regards other authorized Forces normal wastages and reinforcements to enable (I) and (II) above to be implemented.

3. REINFORCEMENT OF CIL

(a) Immediate Battle Replacements and Normal Reinforcement.

The set up of the C.I.L. includes a Reinforcement Unit to hold immediate battle replacements of all ranks. Normal wastages of this unit will be replaced by trained drafts from Internal Security Divs under Italian Army arrangements. This unit will perform the normal function of providing immediate replacements of trained men.

(b) Replacement of Complete Units.

The Italian Army will train and prepare the Internal Security Divisions in such manner as to enable complete units to be moved into CIL when considered desirable by the Allied Command. The CIL units so replaced and returning to Internal Security Divs will be reformed within the latter and be again available as replacements when needed.

4. REINFORCEMENT OF OTHER FORCES UNDER ALLIED COMMAND.

The reinforcement of other Italian Forces operating under Allied Command will be based on a unit to be formed within the ceiling of the 180,000 troops working under Allied Command and to be called the 'ALLIED REINFORCEMENT UNIT' (A.R.U.).

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5. STAFF, LOGISTICS AND DEPTS OF THE A.I.U.

(a) STAFF. The A.I.U. will operate under Allied Command with the primary function of providing efficient trained reinforcements for the Italian Forces working under Allied Command (180000) and with the secondary function of performing local guard and labour duties.

(b) LOCATION. The A.I.U. will be placed in a location having -

- (i) communications to enable troops to be readily moved by rail etc.
- (ii) facilities to dress and hold the necessary stores and equipment to re-equip the men.
- (iii) suitable training areas.
- (iv) suitable opportunities usefully to employ the personnel in guards, labour etc.

(c) DEPTS.

(i) To hold train and equip 9000 all ranks, being a basis of 5% to cover normal wastage (of 180000) including possible small numbers of battle casualties.

(ii) To forward suitable trained and equipped men in accordance with reinforcement demands received from the appropriate Allied reinforcement demand organization.

(a) COMMAND & STAFF. An Allied cadre will command and supervise an Italian Army A.I.U. staff formed within the ceiling of the 180,000 troops under Allied Command.

(e) STRENGTH OF PERSONNEL. The strength of 9000 all ranks in the A.I.U. will be maintained by drafts from Italian DEPOTS.

(f) METHOD OF DEMANDING REINFORCEMENTS. The Allied reinforcement organization of the Allied Formation Command the Italian units concerned will demand through normal channels direct on the A.I.U. Necessary arrangements will be made for SHIA to know the demands, strength state etc of the A.I.U. and so ensure the flow of those reinforcements from Italian Depots.

6. REINFORCEMENT OF OTHER AUTHORIZED FORCES OF THE ITALIAN ARMY.

(a) STAFF. Italian Army Depots will operate under Italian Army Command under such control as may be laid down by the Allied Comd.

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(b) COMMAND AND STAFF. These Depots will be commanded and staffed by Italian Army personnel within the ceiling of 45870 laid down for Italian administration.

(c) REQUIREMENTS. To receive, document, control, discharge and otherwise handle Italian Army personnel and incoming civilians in order to maintain:

(1) The Internal Security Divn (101200) and Italian Administration (45870) at the correct ceiling.

(11) The inflow of personnel necessary to maintain the A.P.U. 9000.

7. MANOEUVER OF INFANTRY.

In order that the ceiling for the Italian Army may be completely filled by military personnel who are "in fact effective" the following casualty procedure will operate:

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7. REMOVAL OF INEFFECTIVES (Contd)

(a) Medical Casualties. A patient will remain on the strength of his unit for 30 days while in hospital. After 30 days he will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army, ceased to be maintained within the Armed Forces ceiling and become an Italian civil liability. He will then be automatically replaced by a reinforcement detailed as outlined above.

(b) Personnel Absent. Personnel absent without leave will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army after 30 days and be replaced by a reinforcement. Personnel so struck off strength may, when apprehended, be subject to such disciplinary action as the Italian Army consider appropriate, but will NOT be maintained or rationed within the ceiling of the Italian Army as laid down by the C.C.F.

(c) Personnel Imprisoned/Retained. Personnel who are sentenced to periods of imprisonment or military punishment or are awaiting trial so as to render them ineffective, will be struck off strength after 30 days and will cease to be maintained or rationed within the ceiling of the Italian Army as laid down by the C.C.F.

8. LEAVE. Leave may be granted, subject to operational requirements, under the following conditions only. Leave will NOT be granted for any other reasons or periods:

(a) (1) REGULAR LEAVE: after 3 months service and thereafter at 3 monthly intervals - 10 days.

(11) COMPASSIONATE LEAVE: on urgent compassionate grounds - 10 days

Under normal circumstances the death or serious illness of parents, wife, children or serious damage to the home by enemy action will be considered grounds for application.

A certificate will be produced from the C.C.F. confirming the reasons for the application and must be agreed by the appropriate Allied and Italian Unit Comds.

(b) (1) Periods of leave count from the day of departure from the Unit until the day of return to the Unit.

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9. CONCLUSION

I request that approval may be given in principle to the organization proposed above, subject to approval by C.C.C. of the numbers shown in Appendix "A".

Wm. R.N.

Major General,
Army Sub Com, A.C.C.

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APPENDIX "A".

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(to AG/S dated 27th April 1944)

ESTABLISHMENT OF ITALIAN ARMY (All Ranks.)

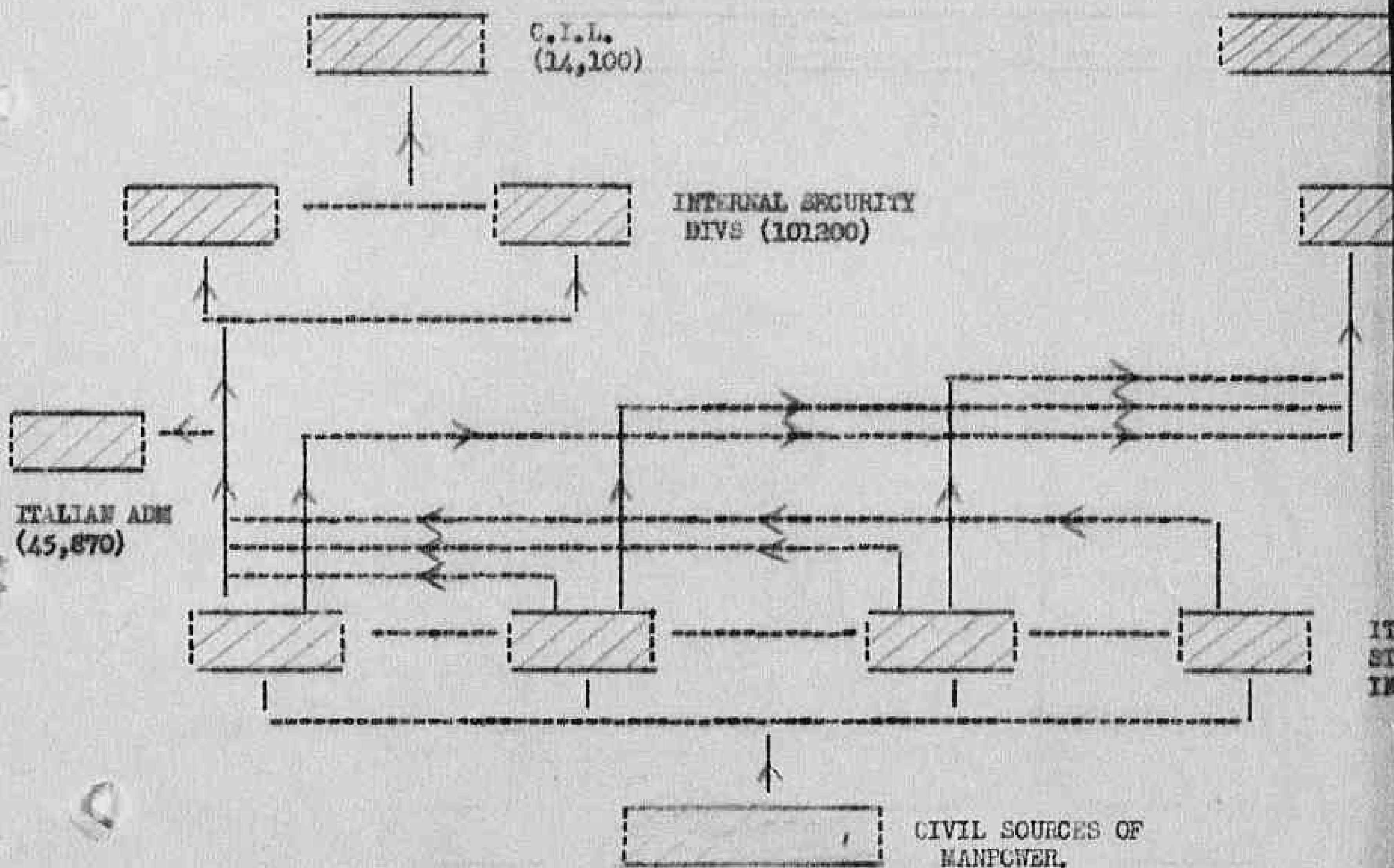
- (a) Combat Division (C.I.L.) 14,100.
- (b) Other Forces employed or to be employed by the Allies. 180,000.
- (c) Other authorised Forces of the Italian Army.

Internal Security Formations	101,200.
Italian Administrations -	
Central Organisations 4,470	} - 45,870.
Static Formations 15,000	
Services. 26,400	

147,070.

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APPENDIX "B".



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Legend:



Italian Tps under Allied Comd.



Italian Tps under Italian Comd.



TPS EMPLOYED BY ALLIES (171,000)



ALLIED REINFORCEMENT UNIT (A.R.U.) (9000)



ITALIAN DEPOTS STRENGTH INCLUDED IN 45,870 SHOWN AS ITALIAN ADM.

CIVIL SOURCES OF MANPOWER.

STAFF: Billeting of Troops in Campania Province

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Army Sub Commission AGC
Main Hq (MILA)
LEGHIS (LACOS)
AG/13

APR 44

To Lt Col. Quinault

Adv Hq. Army Sub Comm. AGC
Salerno

Copy to Ministry of War

Chief of Staff S.M.R.L., Lt. General

Reference your QS 267 of 18 April with inclosure of letter from General Infante.

1. Billeting of Italian Troops in Campania falls under two headings:
 - (a) Italian troops under Allied Command
 - (b) Italian Administration

2. The billeting of troops under Allied Command is a responsibility of the Allied Commander concerned and is not, repeat not, a matter for discussion by this Sub Commission, unless the Italian Command desires to have this Sub Commission represent any views it may have to the Allied Commander in those cases where the Italian command considers the billets allotted to such Italian troops are inadequate in size or otherwise inappropriate.

The majority of Italian troops in Campania are under direct Allied Command.

3. Accommodations in Campania for Italian Troops used for Italian Administration can only be considered when the Combined Chief of Staff has decided on the exact number to be allowed, and this has not been decided as yet. Such troops as are allotted to Campania must be within the total ceiling for the entire Italian Army. Obviously the required number will not reach a figure as mentioned by General Infante. Therefore any discussion on this matter is out of place until the decision of the Combined Chief of Staff is received and implemented by instructions from the Allied Commander in Chief, who is also the C in C of the entire, repeat entire, Italian Army.

4. Information is requested with reference to the "Military School" mentioned by General Infante. No such school is authorized.

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Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Supply Organization - Italian Military

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (SMEA)
LEQUILA (Lecor)
AC/8.
25 Apr 44.

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H.C. AAT (3 Copies)

Copy to: Headquarters

1. The system (notified in AFHQ letter AG 400-1 (Italy) GDS AGN of 9 Jan 44) by which it is intended that supplies for the Italian Armed Forces should be specifically marked (IMI) at the source of supply and kept separate during transit and distribution has not been in operation long enough for us to give an opinion on its merits.

2. I am unaware of the considerations which led to the adoption of this procedure, but I understand its object was to economize in Allied man-power, and dock facilities by transferring responsibility to the Italians at as early a stage as possible. This object might have been achieved had it been possible to forecast some months ahead the effective strengths, locations and duties of the Italian Forces and to exact on a high standard of accuracy and integrity on the part of all concerned.

3. In practice the object has NOT been achieved for the following reasons :

- (a) As ships' manifests generally show considerable difference both in quantities and nature of supplies actually unloaded, and as I.T.I. packages are intermixed with those for other consignees, all cargoes have to be identified, sorted and checked at or near ship-side : this often causes double handling and delay.
- (b) As I.T.I. rations are frequently unbalanced at various ports and not in accordance with the approved scales, shortages and averages and the substitution of equivalents have to be adjusted sometimes from Allied stocks.
- (c) Quantities and types of clothing shipped are in themselves insufficient or unsuitable to equip the Italian Forces when and where needed and so have to be supplemented from Allied local resources.

3. reasons : -

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- (a) As ships' manifests generally show considerable differences both in quantities and natures, from supplies actually unloaded, and as L.T.I. packages are intermixed with those for other consignees, all cargoes have to be identified, sorted and checked at or near ship-side : this often causes double handling and delay.
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- (c) Quantities and types of clothing shipped are in themselves insufficient or unsuitable to equip the Italian Forces when and where needed and so have to be supplemented from Allied local resources.
- (d) The overall strength of the Italian Forces, as well as its relative strengths as between the Mainland and Islands, changes considerably from month to month and necessitates the transfer of L.T.I. stocks or the issue or replacement from Allied Depots. 2485
- (e) The economical employment of the Italian Forces necessitates close formations, units and small detachments being located away from the Italian chain of supply and makes them dependent on Allied local resources.
- (f) Any necessary items are not included in L.T.I. shipments and have in any case to be provided from Allied Depots and accounted for separately.
- (g) The grave shortage of food, clothes and fuel among all classes of the population constitutes an attractive opportunity for dishonesty which is more difficult to check with two sources of supply.

4. I consider therefore that it would be better if all supplies for the Italians were demanded and shipped as common user commodities in the normal way as for all Allied forces in this country. Their subsequent allocation, accounting and distribution to appropriate depots could then be effected with greater expediency and economy, when actual needs and conditions were more accurately known.

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This would ensure : -

- (a) Simplification in shipment.
- (b) Economy in holding reserve stocks.
- (c) Saving in labour and transportation needed for balancing and transferring supplies.
- (d) Greater flexibility in dealing with changed conditions and scales.
- (e) Simpler supervision and accounting.
- (f) Greater possibility of preventing dishonesty.

5. The increase in personnel required in bulk depots could, it is considered, be met by increased dilution with Italians, which in the end might well result in an actual overall saving in Allied man-power.

Wm. W.

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of WarHQ 1 District
HQ 2 District
HQ 3 District

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

AAI/3072/A(O)

28 MAY 44

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Reference AAI/3072/A(O) dated 25 Apr 44.

1. The following supplementary instructions are issued in amplification of the above-quoted letter:-

(a) On the release of a PW AF W 3000 Pt I, and AF W 3488 (in duplicate should be forwarded to GHQ 2nd Echelon. All entries on AF W 3488 must be signed by the PW who should be given a certificate of his state of account.

(b) The release should be reported on AF W3011A or AF W 3034 in the case of parolomen and on AF W 3002 in the case of non-parolomen. The authority for release should be clearly stated in each case.

(c) If the PW to be released has a claim for impounded personal effects, particulars of the claim should be forwarded to GHQ 2nd Echelon in order that any effects there may be despatched to the releasing unit for the PW. Where there is an application for release any claim for personal effects should be forwarded to GHQ 2nd Echelon at once, so that, if possible, the matter can be settled by the time the application is granted.

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 GHQ 2nd Echelon.
 HQ Allied Control Commission
 Army Sub-Commission/AOC
 G31 (b) HQ AAI
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Major-General,
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 SUBJECT: Release of Italian Prisoners of War.

H.Q. ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY,
 AAI/3072/A(O).

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25 Apr 44

HQ 1 District
 HQ 2 District
 HQ 3 District

1. Application for release of individual Italian Prisoners of War on other than strong medical or compassionate grounds will no longer be considered, except in SICILY (see para 4 below). All POW will be so informed.

2. The authority to release Italian POW on strong medical or compassionate grounds is hereby delegated to Commanders of Districts. Applications will not be considered unless they are accompanied by strong supporting evidence to justify release. Authority will not be given until G.S.I.'s approval has been obtained.

3. The power to grant release will be exercised in such a way that Italian POW are not afforded more favourable treatment than British and American soldiers, serving in the theatre, receive under parallel circumstances.

4. The release of Italian POW in SICILY may be authorised by Commander 1 District where the services of the POW concerned are specifically asked for by HQ Allied Control Commission, or the Allied or Italian Military Authorities.

5. In all cases where release is authorised, a copy of the authorisation will be despatched to GHQ 2nd Echelon. EMAF.

6. A normal return of releases during the previous month will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters by the 4th day of the month following.

7. POW on release, revert to the status of Italian soldiers. They must therefore, upon release, be handed over to the Italian Military Authorities. In cases of release on compassionate grounds or on account of ill-health, Italian Military Authorities will take such action as is necessary as regards leave, discharge etc.,

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In cases where release is granted at request of HQ Allied Control Commission or Allied Military Authority, the authority requesting release will be responsible for arranging with Italian Military Authorities for discharge, and will ensure that personnel so discharged are in fact employed on the particular duties for which their release from PW status was granted.

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Copy to G1 Br, AFHQ.
GHQ 2nd Echelon.
HQ Allied Control Commission.
Army Sub-Commission/ACC
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Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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SUBJECT: Supplies to Italian Army - Accounting.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MIA)
BRIQUET (LACOR)
AC/S

24 Apr 44.

To : A.A.I. (Am Ech) 3 Copies.

Information to: A.C.C. (3 copies for Finance & Accounting)

1. In framing orders for accounting for supplies to the Italian Army, I require direction on the method by which monetary values are to be given to commodities handed over.

2. From information available to me it is not clear at what stage or by whom this should be done. A.F.H.C. signal 43220 of 30 Jan does not require the itemised lists to be priced by me and the latter part of A.F.H.C. signal 43221 of 30 Jan 44 to Chief Accountant A.C.C. seems to indicate that pricing should be done by him. The Chief Accountant, on the other hand, informs me that he was assuming he would receive priced lists.

3. Apart from the fact that I have not the staff (see para 4 below) I consider that in the interests of efficiency and simplicity, the pricing of itemised receipts for commodities issued from various depots or warehouses should NOT be undertaken piecemeal, but reserved until after the acknowledgment of bulk monthly receipts by the Italian Ministry of War. I consider that these bulk receipts should be sent by H.F.I.A. to the Chief Accountant A.C.C., showing only the total quantity of each commodity handed over during the month, and that the Accountant should then (from price lists supplied him) insert such values as are needed for accounting purposes. This would ensure that uniform and correct rates are applied, would obviate endless unnecessary labour and would minimise the risk of error; it would also enable changes and additions to current prices to be made expeditiously adjusted and controlled.

4. In my opinion the pricing and/or checking of the multitudinous receipts as they come from issue points to my H.C. would introduce an unnecessary complication, would be difficult for depots and quite beyond the powers of the small supervisory staff allowed me. It would also necessitate continuous issues and amendment of price lists and instructions with which it would be difficult to comply.

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5. I therefore strongly urge that the method suggested in para 3
 (which I am provisionally adopting) should receive your approval.

Yours, etc.

Major General,
 Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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FLAT 1400 to A/B Policy

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4. Since 29th March the Italian Armed Forces have been provided from all Italian Stockpiles, unaccounted stocks issued through British Depots and in addition, Foodstuffs shipped to them direct from America. The procedure in para 3 above cannot now be applied. Ref. RATTIA signal 2377 dated 30 March 44, paraphrased from FARMER signal 6694, dated 19 March.

5. The Italian War Ministry has organized "Analyst Commissions" as follows:-

- 1 Officer Chemist.
- 1 Officer from Italian Commandante.
- 1 Officer Commanding Depot.

These will normally be located at:-

LEONE.
PARMA.
NAPLES.
NAPLES.
CREMONA.
PALERMO. (Sicily)
CAGLIARI. (Sardinia)

Enfit for corruption foodstuffs will normally be collected at these places for boarding and destruction.

6. a. The AF or AF Supervising I.O. from this Headquarters attached to each Sector will be made President of this Analyst Commission, and will have power to write off, and certify that he has witnessed the destruction of foodstuffs unfit for human or animal consumption.

b. Certificates of write off and destruction, showing in detail, items and quantities, bearing the signature of all four members of the Analyst Commission will be submitted to MIA for final approval and countersignature by ADCT (British) and Second in Command (American).

7. I request approval for this procedure.

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Major General,
Army Sub Commission, ADCT

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SUBJECT: Captain CONSIGLIO.

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

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/11.

20 Apr 44.

H.Q. 6 Base Sub Area.

1. On taking over from Brigadier DUCHESNE I have had the case of Capt CONSIGLIO put before me and I have read the file in connection therewith.
2. While appreciating your point of view, this case raises a big matter of principle. We are trying to get the Italians to discipline their own people, without a great deal of success, though this is getting better. If we now prevent this in the case of Capt CONSIGLIO we establish the precedent of : -
 - (a) Stopping the Italians taking disciplinary action against people they wish to do so, which they will hold against us in the future and which will thus cause endless difficulty.
 - (b) Going into detailed MS matters as regards individuals of the Italian Army.
3. I cannot agree, therefore, to your 6BSA/221/A Confidential dated 17 April. We must have a definite policy in these matters and so, even though in this case it may be at the expense of the individual (though I do not accept this) the wishes of the Italian General Staff must be given effect to and Capt CONSIGLIO dealt with as required by the Italians.

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L. Browning
Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Subject: Employment of Italian Army

Stato Maggiore R. Esercito
Ministry of War.
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" " " RARI
" " " c/o 60 Sub Area
" " " CATANZARO
Col. SIMMONS thru' Allied Garrison
Comd. SARDINIA

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Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main H.Q. (MMA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
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5 April 44

1. A Directive has been addressed by HQ AAI to Allied Formations and Districts on the subject of Italian soldiers from formed Units who are unofficially attached to the Allies for local administrative duties, either as individuals or as Units.

2. The substance of this Directive is as follows:-

(a) Such personnel are taken into account by Italian Military Authorities when calculating the strength of the Italian Army, and unless they return to their units or are regularised in their present employment, the AAI programme involving the organisation of formed units for service with the Allies will be severely prejudiced.

(b) In cases where the retention of an Italian detachment so employed is considered essentially necessary, the Allied formation concerned will apply to HQ AAI for its employment to be regularised.

(c) All other Italian military personnel so described above will be returned immediately on demand of the Italian Unit concerned.

3. 16 March 1944.

The Directive reference is HQ AAI ADTECH 3074/A(O) of 30

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Army Sub Comm. ACC

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*This directive was
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Branch on 7 April 44*

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SUBJECT: Employment of Italian Army

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.
1605/50/3/1/G(SDI)

3 Apr 44

AFHQ (12)

Ref your AG 400-1 (Italian) GDS-AGM of 14 Mar 44.

1. The number of Italian Troops who will be effectively employed under present plans, and therefore require to be supplied, is estimated at 500,000.

- (a) A summary of the principal categories is at Appendix "A"
- (b) The proposed dispositions of combat and internal security formations are given at Appendix "B". These are on the lines indicated in your P/109 of 3 Oct and AG OQI-711-1 Italian GGT-AGM of 10 Feb, and the total number of troops involved is approximately the same.

It should be made clear to the Italian authorities that the internal security formations may be required to guard Allied installations, or for other similar duties.

- (c) A list of the Italian Service troops employed and to be employed by the Allies is at Appendix "C". This shows how they are at present allotted, but this allocation is frequently varied to meet changes in the tasks and composition of the various Allied Formations. Those shown as unallotted are units not yet formed or not yet arrived from SARDINIA.
- (d) The Italian Central Organisation, Static Formations and Services shown in Appendix "I" are being examined in detail but it is not anticipated that any reductions found practicable will appreciably affect the grand total.
- (e) The Fire Brigades have been included, since they are uniformed bodies whose maintenance and efficiency is essential to the

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- (d) The Italian Central Organisation, Static Formations and Services shown in Appendix "L" are being examined in detail but it is not anticipated that any reductions found practicable will appreciably affect the grand total.
- (e) The Fire Brigades have been included, since they are uniformed bodies whose maintenance and efficiency is essential to the Allies.
- (f) The Italian Navy total of 75,000 is being examined and it is hoped to reduce it eventually to about 50,000.
- (g) No figure has been included for AA Units nor for CD Units in SICILY and SARDINIA. These are employed under AFHQ and it is not known how many it is proposed to retain. Troops employed in CORSIKA have been excluded for the same reason.

2. Action is in hand to redistribute troops in accordance with Appendix "B" and to form the remaining units required by Appendix "C". The principal cause of delay is movement from SARDINIA.

3. It is recommended that the Army Sub-Commission (ASIA) of AGC should be the authority for handling problems of requirements, issues and record keeping. Their existing WE (33 Military Mission) and TO will require only minor amendment to enable them to do so. Proposals for those amendments are already being forwarded through the normal channels. To establish a separate agency to supervise supply etc. would be uneconomical and confusing.

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The Army Sub-Commission (AMIA) will continue as an integral part of ACC, and will come under the Chief Commissioner ACC for policy matters, involving negotiations with the Italian Government. It will, however, be directly responsible to HQ AMI for all questions of supply and for the control of issues to the Italian Forces. It will also deal direct with HQ AMI on questions of organisation except in so far as they affect policy with the Italian Government.

4. It would be appreciated if you would confirm that, pending any new decisions as to the Italian military coiling, supply shipments are being made on the basis of the present agreed figure of 500,000.

5. Recommendations as to the scale of supply, required by para 5 of your above quoted letter are being forwarded separately. A separate letter is also being addressed to you to explain the importance of the Italian Army.

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Commander-in-Chief.

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General,
Commander-in-Chief.

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Appendix 'A' to 1605/50/3/1/G(SDI)
dated 2 Apr 44

SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL CATEGORIES

1.	Combat Division	14,100
2.	Internal Security Formations	101,200
3.	Units employed or to be employed by the Allies	180,000
4.	Italian Administration:-	
	Central Organisations	4,470
	Static Formations	15,000
	Services	26,400
5.	Carabinieri etc.	60,000 (a)
6.	Security Police	20,000 (b)
7.	Fire Brigades	10,000 (c)
8.	Navy	75,000 (d)
9.	Air Force	31,000
		537,170

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- NOTES: (a) Only 37,000 employed at present and remainder only required after a further advance by the Allies.
 (b) Only 9,000 employed at present and remainder only required after a further advance by the Allies.
 (c) Estimated
 (d) See para 1 (f) of covering letter.

Appendix 'D' to 1605/50/3/1/G(SDI)
dated 2 Apr 44PROPOSED DISPOSITION OF COMBAT AND INTERNAL SECURITY FORMATIONS

1.	EIGHTH ARMY:-	One Combat Div (CIL)	14,100
2.	ITALY:-		
	(a)	NAPLES and to South - One Corps of two Divs	20,300
	(b)	North of NAPLES - One Corps of three Divs	30,300
3.	SICILY:	One Corps of three Divs	30,300
4.	SARDINIA:	One Corps of two Divs	20,300
			<u>101,200</u>

- NOTES: (a) Mantova and Piceno Divs nominated for 2 (a).
(b) Corps HQ in 2 (a) also to command CIL, when NOT employed under direct op cmd of an Allied formation.
(c) Sabauda Div is included in 3 above.
(d) Formations for 2 (b) and the remainder of 3 will be brought over from SARDINIA as required.

Appendix

LIST OF ITALIAN TROOPS REQUIRED FOR EMPLOYMENT BY THE ALLIES

ARM	At present employed by -		Already allotted	
	U.S.	Brit.	U.S.	Brit.
Rd	-	-	-	1000
Recon	-	150	-	150
Arty	150	450	-	150
Engrs	1850	2400	4800	2800
Sigs	500	550	200	300
Non-Tradesmen :-				
Command Duties	1200	800	5700	1600
Labour	9100	26400	7500	800
Tpt :-				
MT	-	1500	3100	3500
Pack	2800	-	500	300
Medical	1700	400	-	1000
Misc Service units (incl those in SARDINIA)	12700	1200	5200	2400
Rfts to bring units already employed up to strength and to provide a pool to meet minor adjustments in requirements				
TOTALS	30000	33850	27000	14000

Appendix 'C' to 1605/50/3/1 (SM)
dated 3 APR 44

COOPS REQUIRED FOR EMPLOYMENT BY THE ALLIES

by - Brit.	Already allotted U.S.	Outstanding requirements Brit.	Unallotted	TOTALS
-	-	1000	-	1000
150	-	150	-	300
450	-	150	-	750
2400	4800	2800	11000	22850
550	200	300	-	1550
800	5700	1600	11000	20300
26400	7500	800	30000	73800
1500	3100	3500	3000	11100
-	500	300	-	3600
400	-	1000	-	3100
1200	5200	2400	2000	23500
			18150	18150
33850	27000	14000	75150	180000

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Subject:- Employment of Italian Army.

AMT. ADM. ECH. C.M.F.

3074/A(O)

30 March 44.

1 District.
2 District.
3 District.
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1. It is understood that parties and individuals of formed Italian Units are unofficially employed or attached to Allied units etc., to carry out various adm. duties such as guards, cooks, waiters etc.

2. These parties and individuals are taken into account in the strengths of Italian units at present being organised for employment as such with Allied Forces, and unless they are released, or regularised the strengths of the Italian units concerned will be considerably reduced and the programme as a whole will not be met.

3. In cases where a detachment is being employed and its retention is considered essentially necessary, application will be made to this HQ for the position to be regularised.

4. All other Italian military personnel as described above will be returned to their units immediately on demand by the Italian unit concerned.

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

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also in AG/30
and letter on 10 May 1947
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SUBJECT: Recall to Colours of Illegal Absentees
of Classes 1920 - 24.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILN (LECCE)
AQ/30
15 Mar. 44.

The procedure for obtaining exemption for personnel liable to recall to the Italian Army as laid down by H.Q. AAI (ADM ECH) in 3110/A(0) of 17 Mar and 20 Mar, also Signal, A 26138 of 28 Mar. is attached at Appx 'A'.

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Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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" " PARI.
" " c/o 60 Sub Area.
" " CATANZARO.
Col. SIMONS thru Allied Garrison Comd SARDINIA.
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APPENDIX 'A'

SUBJECT: Recall to Colours of "Illegal Absentees"
of Classes 1920 - 24.

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H.Q. AAI (ADM ECH) LETTER NUMBER 3110/4 (O) of 17 Mar
AS AMENDED BY 3110/4 (O) of 20 Mar and Signal, A 26138
of 28 Mar.

" 1. In accordance with arrangements made with the Italian Military Authorities illegal absentees of the following Classes are being called up for military service in the Italian Army: -

1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924 classes.

2. A number of Italians eligible to be called up are at present employed as civilians with the Allied Forces, and in order to avoid undue dislocation of labour it has been decided to call up only one class at a time.

3. It is also appreciated that certain technical personnel employed as skilled labour may be more valuable to the war effort in continuing their present work for the Allies than in the Armed Forces.

4. In such cases employing units etc., of Services concerned may make application for exemption. These exemptions will be considered and decided by the under-mentioned authorities whose decision will be final:

- (i) Coms of Districts, Base Sections, or equivalent formations.
- (ii) FOWIT, AAFSC/MTO and Adv HQ 214 Group, RAF.

Any cases of dispute will be referred to A Branch, H.Q. AAI (ADM ECH).

The exempting authority will complete col. 9 of the pro-forma in respect of all personnel classified (a) or (b), indicating whether or not exemption has been granted and the pro-forma will be signed in such cases.

Where exemptions are authorised the employing unit will be informed and will give a certificate (See Annexure 'A') to each exempted Italian as evidence for production to the Italian authorities.

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5. Italian PW employed by the Allied Forces are not affected by this order.

6. In order that call up of these Classes may be properly enforced and applied to all eligible Italians employed by the Allied Forces, the attached pro-forma will be completed by all units employing Italian male nationals of the Classes affected.

7. Pro-formas will be forwarded through the normal channels to the HQs, Armies, Corps and Districts who will despatch to Col. NEGROSI Italian Liaison Officer, H.Q. AAT.

8. Pro-formas will show clearly :-

- (a) Skilled men to be retained and for whom exemption is required.
- (b) Unskilled men who are useful but could be recalled to military service on replacement by other Italian personnel.
- (c) In the case of personnel under (a) and (b) the nature of their present employment will be clearly stated.

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Annexure 'A' to AAI
3074/A(O) of 20 Mar 44.

DICHLARAZIONE.
(Certificate)

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

Si dichiara che il Sig.....
(This is to certify that)
(Nome e cognome)
(Name)

della classe presta servizio presso.....
(is employed by)
(occupazione)
(occupation)

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

Bollo FF. AA. Campania.
(Italian RG Stamp)

Firmate
(Signed)

Napoli.....
(date)
(date)

(occupation)

(is employed by)

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(Italian FG Stamp)

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(Signed)

Napoli (data)
(date)

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1. <u>SURNAME.</u>	2. <u>CHRISTIAN NAME.</u>	3. <u>MILITARY NO</u>	4. <u>MILITARY CLASS.</u>	5. <u>NAME OF LAST UNIT WHICH SOLDIER SERVED.</u>	6. <u>MILITARY DISTRICT TO WHICH SOLDIER BELONGS.</u>

Note:- Col. 7 will be completed where applicable by inserting (a) or (b) denoting: -
(a) Skilled men to be retained and for whom exemption is required.
(b) Unskilled men who are useful but who could be recalled to Military
Col. 8 will only be completed in respect of personnel classified in col. 7.

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ALIAN MALE PERSONNEL EMPLOYED.

.....(Unit of HQ of formation.)

4. MILITARY CLASS.	5. NAME OF LAST UNIT WHICH SOLDIER SERVED.	6. MILITARY DISTRICT TO WHICH SOLDIER BELONGS.	7. CLASSIFICATION. (a) or (b)	8. NATURE OF PRESENT EMPLOYMENT.	9. REMARKS.

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of personnel classified in col. 7.

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IO February 1944.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
APO 512

AC 091.711-1 (Italian) GOT-ACM REVISED

Subject: Disposal of Italian Army.

To

Commander in Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Force.
Deputy President, Allied Control Commission (Lt.Gen. Mason MacFarlane)
Deputy Vice President, Army Sub Commission (Brig C.C. Duchesne)

- I. The following policy regarding the Italian Army and its resources is announced. So much of P/IC9 of 3 October, letter this HQ's, file AG 400.93-I OCT-AM, subject "Italian Equipment", dated 2 December 1948, and any other instructions as are in conflict herewith, are rescinded. The Deputy President Allied Control Commission, in collaboration with Commander-in-Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Force, will issue the detailed instructions necessary to implement this policy.
2. The Italians will assemble the following units:
- a) The division to be organized and placed in combat as soon as practicable.
 - b) Two additional Divisions which are to be trained, armed and equipped for combat at a later date, depending on our requirements and the general supply situation. Pending our decision to place them in combat, they will be at the disposal of the Italian Government, who will locate them as directed by C-in-C, Allied Central Mediterranean Force to meet the needs of internal security (eg CALABRIA) other of the divisions referred to in (a) or (b) above.
 - c) The RAPINO Brigade and NEMO Division will be included in one of the other of the divisions referred to in (a) or (b) above.
 - d) A total ration strength of 32,000 for these three divisions has already been agreed between Allied Central Mediterranean Force and Marshal MESSE.
3. The Italian Division now in SICILY (SABUDA Division) will remain intact and be equipped from Italian sources on a scale commensurate with its mission of internal security.
4. In order to meet the requirements of para's 2 and 3 above, the Italians may call forward the necessary uniforms and equipment from SARDINIA. Priorities of shipping bids will be established by Allied Central Mediterranean Force in the normal manner.
5. Captured Italian military resources in SICILY have been allocated to the GCS/30E and will not be available to the Italians except as declared excess by the GCS/30E.
6. Italian military resources on the mainland...

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5. Captured Italian military resources in SICILY have been allocated to the OSS/SOE and will not be available to the Italians except as declared ~~excess~~ by the OSS/SOE.

6. Italian military resources on the mainland will be reserved for use by Italian troops and released to the Italians forthwith. The Italians will inventory and keep the Allied Control Commission and Allied Central Mediterranean Force fully informed of the status of their resources.

7. a) For administrative details governing rations and clothing for the Italian Armed Forces see Admin. Memo No.2, this HQ's, dated 10 January 1944, and letter to HQ Allied Control Commission dated 9 January 1944, subject, "Supply Organisation - Italian Military", file AG 400-1 (Italy) GDS-ACM.

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b) The total number of personnel to be maintained under the procedure referred to in sub-paragraphs) will not exceed the ceiling of 500,000 including Army, Navy, Air and Carabinieri. The figure of 500,000 is a maximum and in view of the increasing demands upon Allied resources every effort will be made to effect progressive reductions of the total.

c) The Italian combat divisions will, insofar as possible, be equipped from Italian resources. Essential items which cannot be supplied from these sources should be reported to this HQ with a view to securing the approval of the Combined Chiefs of Staff for issue.

(11)

8. As a matter of general policy it is impracticable at this time to release any Italian Prisoners of War, either officers or men, now held in service units in North Africa. The release of a limited number of non-specialist officers will be made, at the discretion of this HQ, upon request. Requests may be made for any officer prisoners in the United States.

9. Subject to the above, the labor requirements of CORSICA and the defence requirements of SARDINIA, the remainder of the Italian Forces are at the disposal of Allied Central Mediterranean Force, which, in conjunction with the Allied Control Commission, will be responsible for the assignment of elements of the Italian Army as required by its subordinate commands and separate commands, including Air and Naval, in the mainland of ITALY as well as in SICILY and SARDINIA.

10. The Military Mission with the Italian Army (MILA) becomes the Land Forces Sub Commission of the Allied Control Commission. The Land Forces Sub Commission of the Allied Control Commission is designated as the agency for receiving and implementing, in accordance with the terms of this directive, all demands from Allied Central Mediterranean Force for Italian Army Units and resources. The senior member of the Land Forces Sub-Commission is designated as a member of the Allied Control Commission and will act as its representative with Allied Central Mediterranean Force.

By command of General WILSON.

H.V. ROBERTS
Colonel and Adjutant General.

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I - Adv Forces I33

representative with Allied Central Mediterranean Force.

By command of General WILSON.

H.V. ROBERTS
Colonel AGD
Adjutant General.

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I - QM(CEMEC)
I - Q(maint)
I - Q(AE)
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I - Liaison
6 - MTS
2 - CAO
2 - C in C Med.
2 - MAAF
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I - IBS

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MILITARY MISSION

Date 5 Feb 44 AS/SH

to
ITALIAN ARMY.SUBJECT : Vehicles handed over to Italian Army.AFHQ ADV AIRM ECHOLON,
CIT.

HQ., Fifth Army (Br Increment).
 HQ., Eighth Army.
 HQ., No. 2 District.
 HQ., No. 3 District.

36/5/93.

3 Feb 44.

In order that the necessary arrangements for maintenance and provision of spares may be properly carried out in the case of British vehicles handed over to Italian units, the following procedure will apply :-

(a) Issues to Italian Units with British Cadres.

Where the Italian unit has a British cadre in its W.E. (i.e. G.F. Coys) issue of vehicles will be made to the Italian unit, and the British cadre will be responsible for all documentation, rendering census returns, and issue and indenting for spares. The British cadre will also ensure that maintenance is being properly carried out.

(b) Issues to Italian Units without British Cadres.

Issues will be made to a British unit to be nominated by the formation under whose command the Italian unit is working. The British unit nominated will hold these vehicles on their charge and will be responsible for them.

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Major General,
 Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

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[Signature]
Major General,
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

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Press has for some of
(a) 80 vehicles actually allocated
(b) 200 vehicles fully ready, allocated
for Italian Army under recent correspondence
7/2 *[Signature]*

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Subject :- Clothing and Equipment - Italian Army.

A.F.H.Q. Adv. Adm. Echelon,
C.M.F.
31/5/43.

FIFTH ARMY.
Rear EIGHTH ARMY.
Main EIGHTH ARMY.
2 District.
Peninsular Base Section.

22 Dec. '43.

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1. I have been instructed by the C.-in-C. Allied Forces to inform you that, by agreement with the Italian Government, it has been decided to release to the Italian Military Authorities all stocks of Italian Military clothing and personal equipment at present held under control by the Allied Military Authorities in the occupied portion of the Italian mainland.

2. This instruction does not refer to arms, saddles, unit stores or any equipment other than that which is personal to the soldier. Releases of such arms, stores and equipment will continue to be made on the basis laid down in this H.Q. letter 31/5/43, dated 14 Dec. '43.

3. Arrangements for handing over stocks of clothing and personal equipment will be made direct between C.G., F.B.S. and Comd. Italian Forces in CAMFANIA, and between C.O.C., 2 District and M.M.I.A. respectively.

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G 1098 - WAR EQUIPMENT TABLE
FOR AN ITALIAN INTERCEPT SQUADRON (810 P R C)
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<u>(1) PERSONNEL</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Senior NCOs</u>	<u>Rank & File</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	1	5	45	51
<u>(2) TRANSPORT</u>	<u>Detail</u>			<u>Estab.</u>
	Cars 2 seater, four wheeled.			1
	Trucks 15 cwt GS, four wheeled.			1
	Lorries 3 ton GS, four wheeled.			3
				<u>5</u>

G 1098 List - CLOTHING AND NECESSARIES.

<u>Cat No.</u>	<u>Designation.</u>	<u>Scale.</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Estab</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
	Trousers BD or Breeches.	1	50		
	Blouses BD.	1	50		
	Boots.	1	50		
	Socks or stockings.	3	150		
	Jersey Pullover	1	50		
	or Vests undershirt.	2	100		
	Shirts cotton.	2	100		
	Underpants.	2	100		
	Greatcoat or Mackinaw	1	50		
	Caps FS.	1	50		
	Towel.	1	50		
	Canteen or Mess Tin.	1	50		
	Mess Kit (fork, spoon, cup)	1	50		
	Blankets.	2	100		
	or cotton comforter.	1	50		
	Sewing kit.	1	50		
	Belt web waist.	1	50		
	Pack carrier.	1	50		

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT.

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<u>Cat No.</u>	<u>Designation.</u>	<u>Scale.</u>	<u>Total As tab</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
	Trousers BD or Breaches.	1	50		
	Blouses BD.	1	50		
	Boots.	1	50		
	Socks or stockings.	3	150		
	Jersey Pullover	1	50		
	or Vests undershirt.	2	100		
	Shirts cotton.	2	100		
	Underpants.	2	100		
	Greatcoat or Mackinaw	1	50		
	Caps FS.	1	50		
	Towel.	1	50		
	Canteen or Mess Tin.	1	50		
	Mess Kit (fork, spoon, cup)	1	50		
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	or cotton comforter.	1	50		
	Sewing kit.	1	50		
	Belt web waist.	1	50		
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<u>Cat No.</u>	<u>Designation.</u>	<u>Scale.</u>	<u>Total As tab</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
	Bayonets (Italian patt only) (A)	1	45		
	Tents (sections only) (A)	1	50		
	Poles tents section (A)	2	100		
	Pegs tent.	2	100		
	Groundsheets.	1	50		
	Bottles Water.	1	50		
	Haversacks.	1	50		
	Helmets steel (A)	1	50		
	Field Dressings.	1	50		
	Respirator AC (A)	1	50		
	Cartridge pistol (A)	18	90		
	Cartridge rifle. (A)	18	90		

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<u>Cat No</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Establ.</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
BC 3491	Flannelette	18		
<u>Section F.</u>				
PA 0634	Cases Tool Filled Signals, Instrument Mechanics.	1		
0084	Chisels Ripping.	1		
2123	Hammers Carpenters Warr Pat 1 - 16	1		
2473	Lamps Brazing 2 Pint M. 1.	1		
3086	Nail Pullers.	1		
3518	Pliers sidecutting 6"	1		
3519	Pliers sidecutting 7"	1		
3491	Saw tenon 14"	1		
4510	Screwdrivers London 8"	1		
FB 1478	Kits of Handtools Dvr Kochs.	1		
<u>Section H 1</u>				
HA 1478	Dubbin.	3	lbs.	
0119	Oil M80	2	pts.	
0362	Soap yellow.	14	bars.	
0468	Bottles stone screw topped 2 gall.	4		
0476	Wahsers Rubber 1" hole.	4		
0494	Tin Oil 1 Pint.	1		
0535	Containers tin, 2 gall.	6		
<u>Section H 2</u>				
HB 0551	Cotton Waste, coloured.	2	lbs.	
<u>Section J 1</u>				
0064	Axes felling.	1		
0066	Axes hand.	1		
0072	Picks 4 1/2 lbs, heads.	1		
0073	Picks 4 1/2 lbs, helices.	1		
0228	Boxes Stationery, Field Small, M. V.	1		
0233	Telegraph Equipment Unit B.	1		
	Boxes dispatch.	1		
HB 1320	Shovels GS.	3		
1340	Spades M. III	3		
	Tables GS	13		
	Forms GS	32		
	Buckets latrine.	6		
	Screens latrine.	6		

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0494 Tin Oil 1 Pint.	1
0535 Containers tin, 2 gall.	6
<u>Section H 2</u>	
HB 0551 Cotton Waste, coloured.	2 lbs.
<u>Section J 1</u>	
0064 Axes felling.	1
0066 Axes hand.	1
0072 Picks $4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs, heads.	1
0073 Picks $4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs, helves.	1
0228 Boxes Stationery, Field Small, Mk V.	1
0233 Telegraph Equipment Unit B.	1
Boxes dispatch.	1
HB 1320 Shovels GS.	3
1340 Spades Mk III	3
Tables GS	13
Forms GS	32
Buckets latrine.	6
Screens latrine.	6

Section J 2

JA Containers Portable, 1 gall.	1
Containers Portable, 6 gall.	1
Insulators containers port, 1 gall.	1
Insulators containers port, 6 gall.	1
Field Cokers. (A)	2
or Cokers Portable No 3.	4
0952 Kettles Camp oval, 12 quart.	4
7149 Stands cooking, Mk IV (sets).	1

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UNIT EQUIPMENT

<u>Cat No</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Establ.</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
<u>Section K3</u>				
K3 0891	Brushes Water carriage Mk I	5		
2524	Funnels Oil 6"	1		
3200	Lamps Hurricane.	6		
3512	Matchets 15" blade.	5		
3667	Measures Oil 1/2 gallon.	1		
4120	Pourers Oil.	2		
	Brooms sweeping.	3		
	Brushes scrubbing.	4		
<u>Section K3</u>				
JF 0043	Balances Spring 30 lbs.	1		
0721	Bowls hand.	1		
1329	Choppers Meat butchers.	1		
2452	Porks Flesh.	1		
	Pans frying.	2		
2873	Implement Butchers, holdalls.	1		
2872		1		sinks ground.
3011	Knives butchers.	1		
3109	Ladles cooks.	1		
4818	Stool butchers.	1		
<u>Section W 1</u>				
W. 1890	Pickets Iron Short Mk III	24		
<u>Section W 2</u>				
WJ 0029	Batteries, Torch, Mk I.	4		
0029	Batteries, Torch Mk I (spare)	4		
0667	Bulbs 3.5 v P (spare).	4		
1013	Torches hand, Mk I.	4		
0688	Gloves rubber 5" x 11" 4 Mk I, pre.	2		
	Batteries dry 150/3v	72		
1057	Wire Electric, 24 (75' coils)	18		
1043	Wire Electric, 1T Leads P 13, yds.	12		
<u>Section Y</u>				
	Guys antenna	24		
	Headgear Receivers, type Safar R2000	24		

3109 Ladles cools.
4818 Steel butchers.

Section V 1

W. 1890 Pickets Iron Short Mk III 24

Section W 2

0029 Batteries, Torch, Mk I. 4
0029 Batteries, Torch Mk I (spare) 4
0667 Bulbs 3.5 v P (spare). 4
2013 Torches hand, Mk I. 4
0688 Gloves rubber 5" x 11" A Mk I, ure. 2
Batteries dry 150/3v 72
1057 Wire Electric, R4 (75' coils) 18
1043 Wire Electric, LT Leads P U, yds. 12

Section Y

Guys Antenna 24
Hendgear Receivers, type Safar R2000 24
Panniers signalling. 2
Telephone sets D, Mk V. 2
Y. 1155 Pipes earth, Mk III. 12

Section Z 1

Frequency Meter BC - 221 - B 1
Receivers R12 12
Masts Aerial Steel 25' 12
Insulators chain. 36
Valves (spare) Type RSLF {A}
RRAP {A}
RT2 {A} 24
12

Section Z 2

23 2454 Electrolyte SG 1.250 galls. 2
3534 Funnels battery Cell, Mk II 1
0458 Instruments testing aviator universal 1
4480 Jars electrolyte 2 galls, Mk II 1
7404 Water Distilled, galls. 8
Charging Set 1260 w 1

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<u>Cat No</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>UNIT EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>Establ.</u>	<u>Deficiencies.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
25059	Section LV6 MT2 Levers Tyre.		2		
17378	Section LV6 MT11 Ropes Towing, Medium Mk III/L 15'		4		
25485	Ropes Towing, Light Mk II/L 15'		1		
	Section LV6 MT14 Wheels complete with covers and tubes spare (equals one per type of veh.)		3		
	Section LV7 Cars 2 seater, 4 wheeled. Lorries 3 ton, 4 wheeled. Trucks 15 cwt, 4 wheeled GS.		1 3 1		
	Section KG Buckete Fire Pumps Fire	(1) (4)	2 2		
	Section Z Batteries Soco Portable 6v 125 amp. Reals Aerial Mk II.		24 2		
	Section C 1 Padlocks Chains Rifle	(4) (4)	6 6		
	Section K				

Cars 2 seater, 4 wheeled. 1
 Lorries 3 ton, 4 wheeled. 3
 Trucks 15 cwt, 4 wheeled GS. 1

Section KG
 Buckets Wire (4.)
 Pumps Fire (a) 2 2

Section Z
 Batteries Secy Portable 6v 125 amp. 24
 Reels Aerial Mk II. 2

Section C 1
 Padlocks (4.)
 Chains Rifle (4) 6 6

Section K
 KC 1406 cloths sponge. 12

Tentage.
 Tents 180 lbs. 4
 Tents IPP, 20' x 16' 1

Typewriter. 1

RASC Supply.
 Candles lbs. 4
 Isal. pts. 2
 Meth Spirit Mineralized. 3
 Oil Kerosene grade 2, 6
 Petrol (for cooking) 8
 Wick, Flat 2 ins. 8
 Round 3 ins. 4

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Sheet 5UNIT EQUIPMENT

<u>Cat No</u>	<u>Designation.</u>	<u>Establ.</u>	<u>Deficiencies</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
	<u>Italian Equipment with no British Equivalent</u>		(A)	
	Pistols Beretta.	5		
	Rifles Model 38.	45		
	Cans 15 litre.	2		
	Cans 6 litre.	1		
	Barrel 40 litre.	2		
	Barrel 10 litre.	2		
	Container Food Hermetically Sealed.	2		
	Container GP.	2		
	Container GP covers.	2		
	Grinder coffee.	1		
	Sacks bread.	7		
	Lanterns (candle).	2		
	Kitchen equipment for 3 officers, sets	1		
	Cheese grater.	1		

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