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Jan. - June 1945

SUBJECT: Rifles.

'F' Edn. MMTC. ICF.

Ref: AQ/5A/715

10 June 45.

To: H.Q.
MTC ICF.

Copy to: H.Q. Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
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D.A.D.C.S.

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AFHQ Sig FX 22517 7/7 1145
(Telephone) to RAAC
copy to MMIA etc Staffs.
— "all rifles withdrawn until
rifle" SD Brit: s/sec
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AQ(-) 11/6
Lt Col

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Major R.A.
DAA & QMG.

AMTC/ah.

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— "all ofts to carry rifle"
SD Distr: S/Sec
SD/45
MG(2)/K

MMIA/adm.

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Subject :- Italian Combat Force Reinforcement Training Centre

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Tele No. Freedom 516

AFHQ/6442/Q(AE)

11 Mar 45

H.Q., M.M.I.A.

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8. Discussed by 'phone with Colonel NOAKES, DADOS, I.C.F. to check on ~~SPECIAL~~ NORMAL equipment lists for the tool kits he requires.

9. G-5 are issuing a directive on this matter.

10. Five 2" Mortars and five 3" Mortars have been released.

11. Laundry equipment is not available and it will be some months before any ~~are~~ is in the theatre. Improvisation will have to be made calling on R.E. resources; however this is for you to decide.

12. Six sets of Barbers equipment will be released. Your DADOS to contact Rome Area Allied Command.

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13. No shoe-makers tools are at present available. We have very large 'dues in' in the near future. DADOS, I.C.F. should keep in touch with Rome Area Allied Command regarding this matter.

14. Action on this matter is with G-3 (Org.).

15. In action with Signals and Ord (Br). Signal stores not controlled by this Staff Section.

16. Sniper suits are not available. It is suggested that you make use of camouflage material which it is understood is manufactured in ITALY and controlled by M.M.I.A. for tent making.

CONCLUSION

Should any further points arise or satisfaction not obtained in accordance with the arrangements made by this Staff Section on the points enumerated above, will you please notify Q(AE), A.F.H.Q. as early as possible.

J.J. SLOAN, Lt.Col.,
for Major General, G-4(Br).

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See letter Q/05/24

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See letter Q/OS/21+
d. 14th Mar 45 (to 'F' BLU RTC)

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AFHQ/6442/Q(AE)

VISIT TO ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE REINFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTRE BY AQMG, Q(AE) ON SATURDAY, 3 MARCH, 45.

(Contact made with GSO I, Lt.Col. MACKAY, RA)

ACTION

1. CHAIN OF SUPPLY

Request was made for direct dealing with 557 BOD and not through Rome Area Allied Command, reason for this is RAAC now only acting as post office, delays are frequent. Q(AE)X ORD (B)

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(a) A most urgent requirement is felt for small vehicles for British Officers on the training staff in addition to vehicles for station duties.

(b) Can Q(AE) release all vehicles from Rome Area Allied Command to make collection by the Training Centre easier. Their staff is limited.

Complaints were made that when releases are made the vehicles are not in the Vehicle Parks to meet the releases. Q(AE) 1B ORD (B)

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8. SELs.

Sels urgently required for the various training wings. Could SEL 127/1 (Mech Engre T1) be explained. It contains no fitters tools. STATS

9. CHAIN OF COMMAND.

Clarification is required as to whom the Training Centre is directly responsible. At present orders are received from MMLA, AFHQ, DMT and RAAC. A directive on this subject would be welcomed. G-3 Org

10. TRAINING EQUIPMENT

Deficiencies exist in 2" mortars (only two are held) and 3" mortars. Q(AE)2

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16. SNIPER SUITS

What is availability of Sniper Suits for training purposes? Q(AE)2

17. In general terms the CI of the Training Centre is very pleased with the support he is receiving. Clarification and implementation of the above points would be of immense help to him.

J.J. SLOAN, Lt.Col.
for Brigadier, Q(AE).

6 Mar. 45.

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G-3 Org	2 copies	Brigadier Q(AE)	Q(AE)2
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Subject:- Clothing at RTC, ICF.

To: AA & QMG, "F" BL & TU.

"F" British Liaison & Training Unit, RTC, ICF.

For information to:
A.D.O.S., RAAC, Rome.
DADOS, MMIA.

Ref: ORD/21/144
July 30th 1945.

Reference to AQ/5/1045 dated 23rd July 1945 a conference between ADOS, RAAC., DADOS, MMIA., and DADOS "F" BL&TU was held on 28th July45.

1. The following points were agreed:-

(1) On arrival at RTC, ICF, all recruits could be equipped to service scale plus a complete set of web equipment.

(2) Before departure from RTC, ICF, Service Troops should retain clothing and equipment to Service Scale only. Combat Troops should receive Clothing & Equipment to Combat Scale after handing in all clothing and Equipment used during training.

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Col. Q.
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ref my G/es/24 7 Jan 45

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M.W.JEFFERY.
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

Sent 2/8/45 1 cpl.

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Subject:- CLOTHING AT RTC ICF CESANO.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

30 July 45.

To: "F" Br.Liaison and
Trg Unit (2)
R.T.C. I.C.F.

Ref. your AQ/5/1045 of 23 July 45.

Enclosed herewith for information is a copy of notes of a conference held 28 July in the office of A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C. re clothing at R.T.C. I.C.F.

W.A. BADCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copies to:- ADOS. RAAC
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A - please note para 6

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CLOTHING for training at RTC ICF CESANO

NOTES of CONFERENCE 28 JULY 45

Present:	Lt.Col. REED	ADOS RAAC
	Maj. JEFFERIES	DADOS "F" BLTU
	Maj. BADCOCK	DADOS MMIA

1. The policy detailed in "F" BLTU letter AQ/5/1045 of 23 July 45 to HQ, M.M.I.A. (copy attached) was noted.

2. Ref. para 5 of a/q letter - it was agreed that, in view of the general shortage of clothing (as emphasised in GRO 849/45) it would be inadvisable to issue instructions that, when a soldier is posted to a BRITI service unit, the green BD which he had worn during training should necessarily be replaced by a fresh issue. It was considered that his should be done only if the BD had become unserviceable.

3. The question of the basic scale of for troops under training was discussed and it was agreed that - while there were disadvenateges such as a lowering of morale and difficulties in arranging a change of clothing for a number of men at short notice - the winter scale of clothing and necessaries for BRITI Service troops should be adopted for all troops under training at CESANO with the addition of British web equipment - British web equipment would be withdrawn from troops posted to BRITI Service and held in a pool for re-issue, Grade III clothing and personal equipment would be withdrawn from troops posted to Combat Groups and Grade I clothing issued to them together with the British items of clothing and personal equipment on the Combat Group scale.

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4. To implement this training scale it would be necessary to transfer a stock of Grade III green battle dress and other clothing and personal equipment from BRITI stocks to RTC ICF CESANO.

5. In order to accomodate Grade III clothing and Italian equipment at CESANO it would probably be necessary to reduce stocks of British Grade I clothing and equipment held at CESANO as storage space was limited - and to hold a reserve in the ADOS Dump ROME.

6. It was agreed that - in order to make provision for the winter and to decide on quantities of each type of clothing to be held-it is essential to have a reasonable estimate of the number of troops likely to pass through CESANO each month for posting to

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(a) Combat Groups (b) BRITI Service units.

If troops were to be equipped to correct scales before being sent forward it would be necessary for reasonable notice to be received of numbers and Categories to be sent forward.

7. Other points connected with organisation at CESANO were discussed which will be included in a similar report being submitted by Major JEFFERIES DADOS "F" BLTU.

W.A. BADCOCK, Major.

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SUBJECT:- Clothing at R.T.C. I.C.F.

"F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRG UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/5/1045

23 July 45.

To: H.Q.
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c) That clothing in possession of each individual will be made up to the appropriate scale before he is despatched to his new Unit.

5. It is also agreed that while under training all reinforcements will be issued, when winter dress is worn, with Green Battle Dress. On being posted to their own units the suit of Battle Dress worn during the period of training will be withdrawn and appropriate clean Battle Dress, either Khaki or Green, according to whether the individual is going to Combat or Service Troops, will be issued. All diary Battle Dress will be returned to M.M.I.A. Depot, Naples.

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for disinfection, washing and re-issue.

6. It is pointed out that no guarantee can be given that individuals will only be issued with all items corresponding to their Service Group; that is Combat Troopers may join their units with items issued from M.M.I.A. stocks if these form part of the recreuits' basic equipment, and vice versa, Service Troops my join their units with such items issued from R.A.A.C.

7. It is considered that a clothing stock should be held at R.T.C. I.C.F. to cover one month's requirements - at present this is estimated to be 3,000 sets of each Combat and Service scalings.

8. It is agreed that a conference should be held between A.D.O.S. Rome Area Allied Command, D.A.D.O.S., M.M.I.A., and D.A.DO.S., "F" B.L. & T.U., to agree the basic scale for recruits training. It is requested that D.A.DO.S., M.M.I.A. please arrange this conference as soon as possible.

(Sgd) ? GELARDI, Major
for Colonel
Commander 'F' British Liaison &
Training Unit R.T.C. I.C.F.

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COMPARISON of BRITISH ~~Service~~ Combat Service Scales CLOTHING & PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Item		~~Service~~ COMBAT	~~Combat~~ SERVICE	Remarks.
Set of webbing with W/bottle		1		
Tins Mess		1		
Helmets Steel & Cam		1		
Sheets Ground		1		
Blankets	Winter	4	—	2(or comforter 1)
	Summer	2		
Braces		1		
Brushes hair		1		
shaving		1		
shoe		1		
tooth		1		
Boots		2	—	1 (2 winter)
Cap comforter	Winter only	1		
Caps		1	—	1
Discs identity	Green	1		
	Red	1		
Drawers		2	—	2
Dressings field		1		
Fork		1		
Gloves Knitted	Winter only	1		
Holdalls		1		
Hosetops		1		
Housewifes		1	—	1 (Sewing kit)
Pullover		1		
Knives clasp		1		
table		1		
Laces leather		1		
Lanyards		1		
Razors		1		
Shirts		2		
Socks		3	—	3
Spoons		1		
Towels		2	—	1
Vests		2		
Great coat		1		
Battle Dress or K.D.		1		
Soap toilet				
Blouse B.D.			1	Gurn
Trousers B.D.			1	
Shirt cotton			2	
Belt web			1	
~~Drawers wool~~			~~2~~	
Undershirt or Pullover			2	
2 1				
Overcoat or Mackinaw			1	Gurn

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Drawers		2	— 2	
Dressings field		1		
Fork		1		
Gloves Knitted	Winter only	1		
Holdalls		1		
Hosetops		1		
Housewifes		1	— 1 (Sewing kit)	
Pullover		1		
Knives clasp		1		
table		1		
Laces leather		1		
Lanyards		1		
Razors		1		
Shirts		2		
Socks		3	— 3	
Spoons		1		
Towels		2	— 1	
Vests		2		
Great coat		1		
Battle Dress	or K.D.			3646
Soap toilet		1		
Blouse B.D.			1 Green	
Trousers B.D.			1	
Shirt cotton			2	
Belt web			1	
~~Drawers wool~~			~~2~~	
Undershirt or Pullover			2	
2	1			
Overcoat or Machinaw			1 Green	
Anklets			1 (when required)	
~~Sewing kit~~			—	
Pack carrier			1 (when required)	
Canteen (with kettle)			1 (when required)	
Mess Kit (Fork, Spoon, Cup)			1	
& mess tin				

27 Jul
Agreed with Maj JEFFERIES DADOS FARLTU that DEMS service stps scale could be worn by stps undergoing AT ESSATTO — but that BR WEB EQUIP should be used as stps were being trained in Br. weapons.
(this has not in Office incorporated) Jeffries 27 Jul

Agreed AJES 31 Jul

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SUBJECT: Clothing at R.T.C., I.C.F.

'F' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/5/1045

23 July 45.

Q (OS) 25 Jul

To: H.Q.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA).

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(c) That clothing in possession of each individual will be made up to the appropriate scale before he is despatched to his new Unit.

5. It is also agreed that while under training all reinforcements will be issued, when winter dress is worn, with Green Battle Dress. On being posted to their own units the suit of Battle Dress worn during the period of training will be withdrawn and appropriate clean Battle Dress, either Khaki or Green, according to whether the individual is going to Combat or Service Troops, will be issued. All dirty Battle Dress will be returned to M.M.I.A. Depot, Naples, for disinfection, washing and re-issue.

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6. It is pointed out that no guarantee can be given that individuals will only be issued with all items corresponding to their Service Group; that is Combat Troopers may join their units with items issued from M.M.I.A. stocks if these form part of the recruits' basic equipment, and vice versa, Service Troops may join their units with such items issued from R.A.A.C.

7. It is considered that a clothing stock should be held at R.T.C., I.C.F. to cover one month's requirements - at present this is estimated to be 3,000 sets of each Combat and Service scalings.

8. It is agreed that a conference should be held between A.D.O.S. Rome Area Allied Command, D.A.D.O.S., M.M.I.A., and D.A.D.O.S., 'F' B.L. & T.U., to agree the basic scale for recruits training. It is requested that D.A.D.O.S., M.M.I.A. please arrange this conference as soon as possible.

A.M. Pelard.
for Colonel.
Commander 'F' British Liaison & Training Unit PTC ICF

AMGG/ah.

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DADOS.
File.
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Branch Note
Spoke to ADOS Rome 26 July 45 —
Arranged to discuss details with DADOS 'F' Bde 27 Jul
and others to see the Col. (RCE)
Init 25 Jul. 36/4

STAFF
Note RSS/221 to have an estimate of the numbers of the COMBAT & SERVICE details to pass through CSITRO monthly.

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SUBJECT: Rifles.

'F' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AG/5A/922

4 July 45.

To: H.Q.
Rome Area Allied Command.

Copy to: HQ. Land Forces Sub Comm AC(MILT)
D.M.T., A.F.H.Q.

May a reply please be received to this H.Q.

letter AG/5A/709 dated 9 June 45. last paragraph.

Regret unable to supply rifles for all O.R.'s Under training who are armed with rifles Mk V

Colonel.
Commander 'F' British Liaison
& Trg. Unit RTC ICF

AMC/ah.

Spoke to the Rep. HDQ - Rome 26 July - 3643
he states that this question is being handled by the staff and has probably been referred to AFHQ.

Spoke to the CHIEFS (G 2) who states this HQ should take all action concerning Rifles and he does not think that this instruction will affect the Rifle establishment as BLUE has already

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SIGNAL

FROM: M M I A

DATE/TIME
21 JULY 43

TO(FOR ACTION): PLYMOUTH

TO(FOR INFO) : F BLTU CESANO

Q/03/341

RESTRICTED

FOR M M I A L O (.) PREPARE FOR ISSUE TO F BR LIAISON AND THC UNIT FOR BRITI SERVICE TPS AT C E S A N O BOOTS REPAIRED FIVE THOUSAND PAIRS (.) ONE LORRY WILL COLLECT PART CONSIGNMENT 23 JULY (.) BALANCE BY RAIL TO C E S A N O

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATION Legat

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Dup 93 of 11 Aug in reply

(Boots repaired 4125
Disp'd by rail 10/8)

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Subject:- CLOTHING at R.T.C. I.C.F.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/11/1

"F" Br.Liaison and
Trg Unit.

24 July 45.

Ref. your AQ/5/1001 of 16 July 45.

1. A revised scale of clothing for BR-ITI Combat and Service troops is under consideration by AFHQ.

2 In the meantime it is considered that a scale of clothing for troops under training should be agreed between yourselves and the Italian Commander and that - as already suggested by Col. NOAKES to Maj. GELARDI - Maj. JEFFRIES (DADOS "F" BLTU) should visit this H.Q. in order to assist in reaching agreement on this scale.

3. When troops are posted to Combat or Service units it will be necessary for them to be clothed to the scale applicable.
Copy of basic scale of clothing for BR-ITI service troops is enclosed herewith.

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4. Stocks of Grade III clothing and certain personal equipment for BR-ITI service troops are held at NAPLES from which your estimated requirements at CESANO will be supplied.

W.A. Badcock

W.A. BADCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

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Letter AQ/5/1043 of 23 JUL 45 refers

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BASIC CLOTHING AND INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT SCALE FOR
BE-ITI SERVICE TROOPS.

Blouse, Battle dress	ea	1
Trousers, Battle dress	ea	1
Shirt, cotton	ea	2
Belt, web, waist	ea	1
Drawers, wool	ea	2
Undershirt, wool or pullover (1 pullover equals 2 undershirts, wool)	ea	2
Towel	ea	1
Cap, field	ea	1
Overcoat, or mackinaw	ea	1
Boots or shoes	pr	1
(2 prs authorized in winter if supplies permit)	pr	3
Socks	pr	1
Anklets, or leggins (when required)	ea	1
Sewing Kit, initial issue only		
Blankets, or comforter (1 comforter equals 2 blankets)	ea	2
Packcarrier (When required)	ea	1
Canteen (When required)	ea	1
Mess Kit (including fork, spoon, and cup)	ea	1

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RAIL BID APPLICATION.
(M.M.I.A. Internal Memo)

Q/OS/24

File No. Q/OS/15/2.
Date : 21 July 45

FROM: Q/OS.
TO : MOVEMENTS

It is requested that a Rail Bid be made for the movemnt of the following stores:-

Type of store : Boots
E/w. Tonnage : 10 TONS (approx).
From : FRATTAMAGGIORE, Naples (No. 8 BR-ITI distb. depot)
To : CESANO DI ROMA
Consignee : 'F' Britich Liaison & Trg. Unit for BR-ITI services Tpo. @ R.T.C., CESANO.
Authority : Q/OS/31H of 21 JULY 45

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Pro Forma No. MMIA/OS/1

(sgd) [illegible] Major.
DADC S. M.M.I.A.

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Q/C/24.

"F" British Liaison & Training Unit, RTC, ICF.

Subject:- Italian Clothing.

To: Land Forces Sub Comm, AC, (MMIA) Rome. for DADOS.

Ref: ORD/8/28

July 18th 1945.

1. HQ. RTC, ICF, have asked for 3000 Italian Forage Caps.

2. Will you please notify this office of release and instructions for collecting if available.

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Q/1807

M.W.JEFFERY.
Major. D.A.D.O.S.
for Colonel. Comd.
"F" British Liaison &
Training Unit, RTC, ICF

MWJ/WES
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URGENT

SUBJECT:- Clothing.

'F' BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref: AQ/5/1001

16 July 45.

To: H.Q.
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA)

1. Please advise whether all troops entering R.T.C., I.C.F. 8636 are to be equipped:

a) To Italian Combat Force scale, irrespective of whether they will ultimately be posted to Gruppi or Service Units,

b) Only on Service Unit scale while under training, or whether,

c) there is going to be a special scaling for these recruits.

2. If Troops under training are to be equipped in accordance with (b) or (c) please advise the exact scalings.

(Sgd) ? GELARDI, Major
for Colonel.
Commander 'F' British Liaison &
Training Unit RTC ICF

AMGG/ah.

letter Q/05/11/1 of 21 Jul. refers

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MINUTES OF A SR-ITT TRAINING MEETING HELD AT MMIA, ROME ON 10 JULY 1945.

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LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MMIA)

G/Trg/4

14 July 45

PRESENT

1.	Lt. Col.	S.M.	INGLEDEW	Chairman
	Col.	F.J.	NOARES	Col. "Q" MMIA
	Col.	L.H.	MACKAY	Comd "F" BL & TU
	Lt. Col.	J.	PEDDIE	DMT
	Lt. Col.	F.M.	EGERTON	Senior LO MMIA
	Major	J.A.	DOBBS	"A" Branch MMIA
	Major	H.W.	KING	"F" BL & TU
	Major	A.	GELARDI	"F" BL & TU
	Major	W.L.	MEDLAM	"G" Trg MMIA, Secretary

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8. DMT recommended that all training Increments (Br) be disbanded on 1 August. It was stated that training officers in these Increments were merely being used as additional LOs. AGREED. — G(SD

DEMOBILISATION CENTRE

9. "A" Branch was instructed to take all possible steps to see that personnel from US-ITI due for demobilisation were not sent to RTC CESANO as this would interfere with training. 802 ERD at ORVIETO exists as the Reorganisation Centre. — "A"

INTAKES

10. It was reported by "A" that only between 4000 and 5000 personnel were available as intakes to CESANO up to 21 Sep. They would be for the most part US-ITI and have received some form of training. — "A"

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ACCOMODATION — Action

11. It was decided that planning would not include the VITERBO Barracks. Possibility exists that the barracks at CIV--ITAVECCHIA at present occupied by RATD may be available to the Italian Army in the near future. "Q"

12. It was agreed that "Q" MMLA would handle the question of money required for building purposes at CB&ANO. "F" BLTU may contact "Q" MMLA on major "Q" points which required added weight although it was pointed out that "F" BLTU was under Rome Area Allied Command for normal accomodation matters. "Q"

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CLOTHING

13. It was agreed that clothing should be as uniform as possible at RTC. In summer this would be KD. In winter it was hoped that a uniform type of woollen clothing would be available. Khaki was preferred but no objection would be raised to a uniform green. "Q"

COURSES

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TRANSPORT

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TRANSPORT

16. It was agreed that "Q" MMLA would initiate steps for ob- "F" BLT
--taining more reliable transport for "F" BLUs own HQ. DMT would sup--port the request at AFHQ. "F" BLTU will submit details to "Q" MMLA.
It was agreed that on the Italian side a transport pool should be formed. "Q" MMLA are awaiting details from "F" BLTU and will endeavour to exchange PU type vehs for 15 cwt types. "Q"

17. It was agreed that DMT would endeavour to arrange loan of MT officer and 2 MT NCOs (Br) to assist in the above. DMT

PAY

18. It was agreed that MMLA should again raise the matter of tradesmen's rate of pay with the Italian Ministry of War. "A"

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STANDARD OF PERSONNEL — Action

19. It was agreed that urgent steps had been and were being taken with Italian Ministry of War for a better type of reinforcement, and for an improvement in the present Italian system of documentation. "A"

FUTURE MEETINGS

20. The Chairman reported that MMIA LOs Conference would take place approximately on the 6th of August, and that G-1s of BLUs (including Comd "F" BL & TU) would be invited. "G"

Lieut. Colonel,
GS.

DISTRIBUTION:

"F" BL & TU
56 AREA for DMT

INTERNAL:

MA to GOC
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Subject:- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LISTS.

Land Forces Sub Comm. M.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/03/1/3

"F" Dr.Lindson and Trg Unit
Fft Trg Centre I.C.F.

4 July 45.

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1. A new WE CM 374/1 having been approved for a Gas Trg Team I.C.F. - 2 copies of the attached pro forma "PROPOSED EQUIPMENT in addition to BASIC EQUIPMENT LIST entitlement" are forwarded for return to this H.Q. on which you are requested to insert items in addition to the Basic Equipment List entitlement considered necessary for the unit to perform its designed technical role.

2. Subject to approval of A.F.H.Q., such stores will appear as Units' entitlement in Part II of a Special Equipment List to be issued by A.F.H.Q. which will constitute authority for demand.

3. Please state correct nomenclature, catalogue number and vocabulary section.

W.A. Babcock

W.A. BABCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

WAB/sb

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Subject:- SPECIAL EQUIPMENT LISTS.

Land Forces Sub Comm. I.C.
(M.M.I.F.)
R O M E
Q/OO/1/3

4 July 45.

"F" Br.Liaison & Training Unit
Mft Trg Centre I.C.F.

Ref. M.M.I.F. SD/45/2 dated 12 June/45.

1. A new WE CM/1018/1 having been approved it is intended to publish a CM AF G1098 for a Br. Liaison and Trg Unit, Mft Trg Centre, I.C.F. in accordance with GHQ 100/45.

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2. Parts II and III of this CM AF G1098 will be compiled by A.F.H.Q. and will cover the items of domestic equipment to which the unit is entitled. H.Q. M. M.C. can supply, if required, details of such items covered by these two parts.

3. Two copies of the attached pro forma "PROPOSED SPECIAL EQUIPMENT entitlement Part I CM AF G1098" are forwarded for return to this H.Q. on which you are requested to insert items considered necessary for the Unit to perform its designed technical role.

4. It is requested that the pro forma be rendered in 2 parts:-

(i) Items of a technical nature
e.g. Tradesmen's kits, plant, binoculars etc.

(ii) Items of a domestic nature deemed to be required in excess of Parts II and/or III scaling
e.g. extra cooking equipment etc.

5. Reasons for the stores requested should be stated briefly in the remarks column, and the correct nomenclature, catalogue number and vocabulary section used.

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6. Subject to approval by A.E.H.Q., the list of stores rendered will appear in Part I "Technical Equipment" of the relevant C.M. AF. 61098 when published, which will constitute an authority for demand.

W. A. BADCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.E.F.A.

Copy to:- HQ A.A.A.C.

WAB/mb

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COPY

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- Issue of Ord stores to Italian Armed Forces.

Ref: OS/1000/354/1
Tel: Rome 66538
Date: 20 June 1945.

To :- D.D.O.S.
N.Q. N°3 District

copy to MMIA.

Further to this office letter of even reference dated 15 June 45 I forward herewith copy of D.A.D.O.S. F B.L.U. letter ORD/35/9 dated 17 Jun/45 in reply thereto.

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1. It is agreed that stores at R.T.C. I.C.F. have been received in many cases some few months before vouchers and that it is considered practically impossible for D.A.D.O.S. R.T.C. I.C.F. to reconcile Depot vouchers with the stores received. In addition many discrepancy reports raised by D.A.D.O.S. R.T.C. I.C.F., which total a considerable quantity of stores have not been taken into consideration during the preparation by 2 Sub Depot 557 B.O.D. of Repayment Vouchers. It is of course grently unfair to expect the Italian Government to pay for stores not received.

2. In view of the foregoing it is urged that the necessary authority be given to cancel 2 Sub Depot priced vouchers and to substitute priced vouchers prepared by D.A.DO.S. F B.L.U. for stores as actually received and issued to I.C.F. and for which signatures of responsible Italian Officers are held.

3. Information is urgently required as to effective date on which repayment vouchers should be initiated. My letter of even reference dated 31 May 45 refers.

(Sgd)?
Lt.Col.
A.D.O.S.

Copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. 'F' B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.
D.A.D.O.S. Land Forces Sub Comm MMIA

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File Q/OS/31
" Q/OS/24

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SECRET Q/05/24

SUBJECT: Org - "F" HLU for MTC ICF

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MTIA)

SD/45/2

19 June 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

"F" BRITISH LIAISON UNIT FOR THE REINFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTRE, ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

1. (a) The above mentioned unit is being converted to a new WE and redesignated as shown below with effect from 1 Jun 45 under the supervision of HQ RAAC.

PRESENT TITLE	PRESENT W.E.	NEW TITLE	NEW W.E.	SERIAL NO.
"F" HLU for Rft Trg Centre, Italian Combat Force.	CM/732/1 (XII/887/1)	"F" British Liaison & Trg - unit for Rft Trg Centre, Italian Combat Force	CM/1018/1	93909

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(b) The alphabetical designation of this unit is retained pending the allotment of a unit number.

2. Postal address will be:-

"F" BRITISH LIAISON & TRAINING UNIT
for RFT TRG CENTRE,
ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE, CMF.

3. The following units are being disbanded with effect from 1 Jun 45 under the supervision of HQ RAAC.

UNIT	W.E.
"H" BRIT TRG UNCR for the Rft Trg Centre, Italian Combat Force	CM/733/1 (XII/1171/1)
No. 10 Trg Team (For Italian Forces) R.A.	CM/510/1 (XII/155/1)

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Major General
MMIA

Copy to: ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
"F" BLTU RTC ICF: Ref your AQ/6C/764 of 15 Jun. No spare copies of WE CM/732/1 are held at this HQ. These should be obtained from HQ RAAC.

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INTERNAL MEMO.

Subject:- Accn STORES.

June 19/45

Q/OS/29

To : Q (AE)

From : Q (OS)

Will you please release to the RICINO DIVISION for use of senior Italian staff officers at CESANO the following accn stores. (Indent Q7/1773/S/Comm of 18 refers). 3623

Beds	6
Frames	6
Mattresses	6
Pillows	6
" cases	12

W.A. BADCOCK, Major
Q(OS)

WAB/ab

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CC HQ

Please redistribute

R(OS)

Info 26 Jun.

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Land Forces s/c
3077

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

Q105
F&O

16 June 1945

AG 451/063 OGT-O

SUBJECT: Vehicles for Italian Combat Force Rft Trg Centre CESANO.

TO : Commanding General,
Rome Area Allied Command
APO 794

1. It is understood that full equipment has not been available for vehicle repair units at CESANO.

2. Request that you submit a list of outstanding items of technical equipment which have been demanded for 152 Italian Mech Supt Pl and 152 and 153 Italian LABs against relevant Special Supt Lists, and attach AFO 99's returned by Ord Depots marked "items not available".

3627

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

AFHQ (G) AG

R. H. FREER
Major, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

COPY FURNISHED:
Land Forces Sub-Commission (AC) MMIA
G-3 Org-4
G-3 (AMG)
Q (AL)

HEADQUARTERS
17 JUN 1945
A. F. H. Q.

Land Forces Sub-Commission (AC) MMIA

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Subject:- INDENTS for SECRET - PICENO Div.

Q/05/24

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/05/29

16 June 45.

MINISTRY OF W/T.

The following Indent, in duplicate, forwarded to this office by I.F.T.C. I.C.F. is enclosed herewith for your attention:-

3626

Ref. No. 07/1730/S/COMM dated 14 June/45
Office shelves for "PICENO" DIVISION, CESANO.

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

WAB/ab

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(156)

Subject:- Sale of tyres.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/05/24

O i/c 21 Area Cash Office
R O M E

14 June 45.

Ref. my Q/05/24 of 17 Apl 43 and subsequent correspondence.

3625

A further sum amounting to Lire 250,800 (two hundred and fifty thousand eight hundred) has been received from the sale of salvaged tyres. Will you please receive this sum for credit to the appropriate account.

for Brigadier,
A.A.G.

Copy to:-
HQ Selvage & Disposal -
your reference 120/1/Sal/197 of 7 Apl 43 and 120/1/Sal/234 of 17 Apl 45.
421 HQ Salvage Depot (Abroad) T9/45 & M May 45
Area Cash Office of the account to be credited.
F BLU IRTC IOF - your letter Q/1/21/745 dated 11 June refers.

WAB/ab

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PAGINATION INCORRECT -

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Q/OS/24. 15

Branch Note

For "F" BLU (DADOS) letter-ref. ORD/30/35 of 12 JUN-re. equipping of GARIBALDI Regt. & addressed to:-

ADOS, RAAC
DAA & QMG @ "F" BLU
MMIA for DADOS

-see file Q/OS/4D

3623

fol. 13/6/45

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SUBJECT: Rifles.

'F' BLU. IRTC. ICF.

Ref: AQ/5/709

9 June 1945.

To: H.Q.
Rome Area Allied Command.

Copy to: H.Q.,
Land Forces Sub Comm.AC (MMLA)
D.M.T., A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference D.M.T. letter DMT/SC/4/MT1 of 6 June 1945, it is noted that D.M.T. advise that Rifles be held on a scale of 1 per O.R. under training.

2. QAE. A.F.H.Q. inter-branch letter ASD/922.5(CESAMO) of 2 May no doubt refers to the system of replenishing the pool of 1,000 rifles authorised under R.A.A.C. CS/100/954/10 of 6 March 45 for reinforcements going forward. It is fully appreciated that demands could be made even up to 2,000 or more per week, if such a number of reinforcements were despatched ex R.T.C., I.C.F. The reason, therefore, for the seemingly small demands on R.A.A.C. is that only comparatively few reinforcements have been sent to Cruppi in the last three months.

The figures are :-

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		Date.	Demanded.	Date.	Received.
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" 17	--	25 Mar	703	10 Apr.	705
" 24	422				
" 31	934	30 Apr.	1000	4 May	500 in satisfaction.
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May 5	18				
" 12	[illegible]	2 June	216	Not yet received	

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Land Forces Sub Comm.AC (MMTA)
D.M.T., A.F.H.Q.

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" 19	183				
" 26	506	8 June	656	" "	"
	4,747		4,152		

(In addition, 500 rifles have been demanded in accordance with R.A.A.C. signal QG.2772 of 5 June but not yet received).

From beginning of March no reinforcement has gone forward without a rifle and 5048 training rifles have always been held.

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3. But is is re-iterated that the authority for the pool of 1,000 Rifles was only for Reinforcements going forward, and that R.T.C., I.C.F. were only authorised to hold 5,048 Rifles for Troops under training, as set out in paragraph 1(a) of my AQ/5/654 of 2 June 45.

4. Please inform this H.Q. whether DMT letter DMT/88/4/MT1 of 6 June 45 is sufficient authority to demand rifles needed to arm each O.R. under training. If not, it is requested that proper authority be expedited so that demands may be placed immediately.

For Colonel.
AA & QMG.

AMGC/ah.

3621

Internal.

File.
Float.

Ltr to AQ/5N/722 of 4 July refers

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Spare.

Q/OS/24

Land Forces Sub Comm. F.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/1/3

8 June 45

Subject:- Special Equipment Kits.

"F" B.L.U.
M.T.C. F.C.F.

Ref. my Q/OS/20 dated 2 Apl/45.

1. Copy of AFHQ/G508/2/2(AE) dated 5 June 45 is forwarded herewith. 3620

2. Please state present position.

W. Babcock

T.A. BABCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- Q/OS/1 — (less enclosures)

WAB/ab

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Q/05/24

SUBJECT : Rifles - I.R.T.C., I.C.F.

D.M.T. A.F.H.Q. C.M.F.

Tel : 11656

DMT/88/4/MF.1

6 Jun 45

HQ Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA).

Copy to : ROME Area Allied Command.
'F' BLU, I.R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref 'F' BLU, I.R.T.C., I.C.F. letter AQ/5/654 dated 2 Jun 45.

1. It is considered by this Directorate that only reinforcements at RTC ICF and not permanent cadre personnel should be armed with rifles and that immediate steps should be taken to place demands on ROME Area to cover the present deficiencies.

2. The pool of 1000 rifles as shown in para 1 B of the above quoted letter should be absorbed in the total required for arming reinforcements and sufficient rifles demanded from ROME Area, as required, to maintain a pool of 500 for the arming of new arrivals.

3. Para 2 of the above quoted letter is not understood. The following is the text of a letter from Q(AE) AFHQ to G-3 Org 4, under reference ASD/922.5 (CESANO) dated 2 May 45 :-

" Under Q(AE) Admin Instruction No 8, ROME Area is authorised to hold 2000 rifles for issue to units and/or formations within the Area. RTC ICF is within ROME Area. ROME Area has had a stock of 2000 rifles for 2 months but only insignificant issues have been made. 'F' BLU is aware of the procedure for drawing rifles from ROME Area. An officer from this Staff Section visited 'F' BLU approximately 6 weeks ago and explained the whole situation. The same officer also visited ROME Area who stated releases would be made at any time up to 2000 rifles, upon request being made. ROME Area pool of 2000 is replenished in bulk from this HQ weekly or as necessary. The lack of rifles at RTC ICF is, therefore, due to failure to demand.

If 'F' BLU demands 2000 upon ROME Area, they will be supplied. The pool will then be replenished and 'F' BLU can demand again until their requirements are met. It is not proposed to make an exception in favour of RTC ICF by dealing direct when the procedure agreed with DMT has worked satisfactorily for British RT Establishments for over 18 months".

ROME Area were authorised at the end of February '45 to increase their holding of Rifles No 1 or 4 to 2000 especially to meet the requirements of IRTC ICF, and in addition to the visit of the Staff Officer mentioned above, 'G' Trg Unit to the Italian Army were informed verbally of the procedure to be adopted for obtaining rifles by officers from this Directorate.

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4. Will you please instruct 'F' BLU to demand rifles from R.A.A.C., until they hold sufficient to arm each reinforcement plus a pool of 500 as indicated in paras 1 and 2 above.

3679

Letter 19/5/709 of 9 June refers

J. Reddie Wood

Brig.,
D.M.T.

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9/05/24 (151)

SUBJECT :- Rifles

Q
7/6

'F' BLU IRTC ICF
Ref AQ/5A/686

6 Jun 45

RAAC

Copy to :- LAND FORCES SUB COMM AC (MELA)

Reference your QG 2772 of 5 Jun 45.

1. The system of replenishing the pool of 1,000 Rifles authorised by your 03/1000/954/1C of 6 Mar 45 is to indent for balance each Saturday. In accordance with this 216 Rifles were indented for on 2 Jun 45 to ADOS RAAC.

2. With reference to the additional 500 Rifles these will be demanded forthwith. 3618

3. An answer is requested to paragraph 4 of my AQ/5/654 of 2 Jun 45.

A/Lt Col

AMSG/ell

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DADOS
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Q/103/24 5612

4/07 150

ROME AREA 05/0830Z B

FROM AIG 301

TO

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED . REFERENCE YOUR AQ SLANT FIVE SLANT SIX FIVE FOUR OF TWO.
YOUR STOCK OF RATIONS AT ONE TWO ZERO ZERO HOURS TWO JUNE WAS SEVEN
EIGHT FOUR . THIS WILL BE INCREASED TO ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO SOONEST.
ALSO AN ADDITIONAL FIVE ZERO ZERO IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU IF DEMANDED

Letter AQ/SA/666 of 6 June refers

SECRET

G-4. ETO
ORD

G-4. ETO

Letter DMT/SS/4/MT.1 65/1016 B
of 6 June refers

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Q105/24 (149)

SUBJECT: Rifles.

'F' ILU. IRTC. ICF.

Ref: AQ/5/654.

2 June 1945.

To: H.Q.,
Rear Army Allied Command.

Copy to: H.Q., Land Forces Sub-Comm. AC (SHAEF).
D.M.T., A.F.H.Q.

Reference your Q242/2 of 30 May 45, enclosing D.M.T. letter 3616 IMF/88/4/MT1 of 11 May 1945.

1. The release of rifles to R.T.C., I.C.F. has been the subject of considerable correspondence and discussions, the outcome of which was that the following rifles were authorised to be held :-

(a) Training Rifles - 5048. (Authority D.M.T. initial allocation of 1048 under IMF/88/4/MT1 of 2 February, authorised by QAE-25/56 and QAE-25/77; plus 4,000 authorised by QAE-24/28 RTC ICF).

(b) Pool of 1,000 rifles to arm reinforcements going forward. (Authority: R.A.A.C. letter 03/1000/954/10 of 6 March 45).

2. No other authorisation has been received either from R.A.A.C., M.M.I.A. or A.F.H.Q. It will be appreciated that this H.Q. cannot act on verbal advice given by Staff Officers visiting Cesano unless it is confirmed in writing giving the proper authority. No recollection or record is held of any A.F.H.Q. QAE Officer giving it as his opinion that 2,000 Rifles could be demanded per week for R.T.C., I.C.F., nor is it known on what authority these rifles could have been so demanded. It is recollected, however, that officers from A.F.H.Q. have said that there was no shortage of rifles in the theatre.

3. D.M.T. letter IMF/88/4/MT1 of 11 May asks that 'F' ILU be instructed "to demand rifles from R.A.A.C. till they hold sufficient to arm each man", while your QG.2333 of 11 May gives authority only to demand rifles for "training purposes" ex R.A.A.C. pool.

4. It is now understood that each reinforcement will be issued with a rifle, but it is requested that clarification be given as to whether each man in R.T.C., I.C.F., i.e. whether both reinforcements and permanent cadre or only reinforcements, are to be armed with rifles.

...../2.

Sig. QG 2772 of 5 June refers

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5. Owing to the fact that this H.Q. has not yet been informed as to the future policy and strength of R.T.C., I.C.F. both in regard to permanent cadre and reinforcements, it is regretted that a programme of requirements cannot be forwarded as requested. Present strengths are, however :-

Permanent Cadre	-	3223 O.Rs.
Reinforcements.	-	8564 "
TOTAL		11787 O.Rs.
Less Rifles held, including pool.	-	6048
Rifles required, if authority is to :-		3617
(a) Arm whole RTC ICF		5739
(b) Arm rifts only.		2516

In addition to either (a) or (b) a Pool of 500 rifles should be held to arm new arrivals.

for Colonel.
AA & QMG.

AFGG/ah.

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Subject:- D.O.S. Circulars.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

2 June 45.

"F" B L U
IRTC ICF.

Ref. your OFD/1/30 of 22 May/45.

3613

No copies of DOS Circular N°207 are held in this office, as this circular was distributed by DOS A.F.H.Q. only to:-

DDsOS L of C and Districts
DADOS BTNA
COCs Depots
OsC Vehicle Coys.

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

WAB/ab

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Subject:- Clothing for Demobilized Italian Personnel.

Q/OS/24

To: HQ. RTC, ICF.

"F" B.L.U.,
I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,
AC (MMIA) Rome.

Q OS 4/6 (147)

For information to:
Land Forces Sub Comm, AC,
(MMIA) Rome. for DADOS.

Ref : ORD/36/11
June 2nd 1945.

Further to my ORD/8/12 dated 25th May 1945.

Filing

1. 500 suits of Black Battle Dress are available for collection from No 8 Depot Naples, on or after 2nd June 1945.

2. Will you please make the necessary arrangements.

3. Copy of MMIA signal Q/OS/245 of 31st May 1945, is attached, as authority. 3611

Filing

MWJ/WES
Internal.
Float
File.

M.W.JEFFERY.
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

1605

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Q/105/24 (146)

Subject : CLOTHING for PICENO DIV

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

To : MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

Q/OS/29

/ June 45.

Ref. MMIA/ORD/2 AUTHORISATION No. AQ/ERITI/89 dated 30 May 45

3609

1. Stores released ie.,

	Qty
CAPS Alpine	120
Berets(Bersaglieri)	600

2. Your 17532/VC dated 18 May 45 refers.

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

WAB/lc

Copies to : MMIA LO NAPLES (2)

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Q/05/24 (14)

DIGEST

FROM : MEXA

TO : "F" RED

INFO :

DATE TIME
21 D

Q/05/243

PRIOR ADDRESSEE FOR RADOM (.) SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR MEXA TO (.)
REF AT Q/05/222 OF 03 (.) FIVE SECTIONED SHEETS BLACK RIBBON FOR
COLLECTION BY YOU FROM NO 8 DEPOT RATING OF OR AFTER 2 JUNE

3607

INSTRUCTOR [illegible]

AUTHENTICATION [illegible] Major

Letter ORD/36/11 of 2 June refers

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Q/D5/24

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C O P Y

DADOS F BLU RTC ICF 310900
MMIA LO PENSOUTH FOR DADOS
MMIA ROME FOR DADOS
ORD/S/95 (.) RESTRICTED
REFERENCE MY ORD/S/88 DATED 16 (.) MAY DESPATCH BE HASTENED
PLEASE (.) REQUIRED URGENTLY

IMPORTANT

3606

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Q/05/24 (43)

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

Q 242/2

TEP/lwb
30 May 1945

Q 05/15
315

SUBJECT: Controlled Stores for Italian Units

TO : "F" BLU RTO ICF

1. The attached copy of DET AMIK letter received from Hq MMIA is forwarded for your information.

2. This Hq signal Q62333 dated 11 May 1945 gave authority to you to demand through usual staff channels rifles for training purposes ex RAAC pool.

3. No demands have yet been received in this connection and it is requested that a programme of requirements is forwarded to this Section as soon as possible to enable arrangements to be made for a weekly ferry service of rifles. 3605

R.H. CAMERANS
Lt-Col
AA & QMG

Copy to: MMIA, Land Forces Sub Commission AC
Ord (Your 05/1000/95A/10 of 25 May refers)

Letter A9/5/654 of 2 June refers

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1434

COPY

DIRECTORATE OF MILITANT TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

SUBJECT: Issue of rifles to FFC

IMT/G/4/MW1

Hq MNTA CMF

11 May 45

On a recent visit by an officer of this Directorate to the FFC it was represented by F BLU that they held only 6,000 rifles and were unable to arm each man with his own weapon.

Enquiries have been made as result of which it appears that F BLU have made only insignificant demands for rifles on R.A.A.C. during the past two months.

3604

Had F BLU demanded rifles at the rate of 2,000 per week, as explained to them by an officer from AFHQ G(AS) the demands would have been met and there would have been ample rifles for everyone.

Will you instruct F BLU to demand rifles from R.A.A.C. till they hold sufficient to arm each man.

(Sgd) Brig
IMT

Letter AQ/5/654 of 2 June
refers

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SIGNAL

Q/05/24

FROM M M I A

DATE TIME
28/1730B
MAY

TO(FOR ACTION): PENSOUTH

TO(FOR INFO): B B L U

Q/OS/237

RESTRICTED

FIRST ADDRESSEE FOR D A D O S M M I A (.) SECOND 3603
ADDRESSEE FOR D A D O S (.) REF CAPS FS TEN THOUSAND DUE OUT
TO F BLU UNDER MY Q/OS/148 OF 10 APR YOUR RETURN OF 30 APR (.)
F BLU STATE CAPS NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED (.) REPORT DESPATCH
PARTICULARS (.) SECOND ADDRESSEE YOUR ORD 21/III DATED 26 REFERS

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION [signature]
Major

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ROME AREA ALLIED SECTION
GROUNDFORCE (BRITISH)

Q/GS/24 (141)

Subject:- Controlled Stores for Italian Units.

Ref : GS/1000/954/1Q
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 25 May 1945.

Q GS Intg 2815.

to :- G.I. (IT)
R.A.A.C.

Reference A.F.H.Q. letter AFHQ/9151/6/Q(AR) dated 6 May '45, para 3.

1. The matter has been taken up with D.A.D.O.S. 'P' ELU who professes no knowledge of the demand, therefore it would appear there has been insufficient liaison between the D.M.T. and R.T.C. I.G.R., and not between 'P' ELU and this H.Q. as alleged.

2. I attach copy of D.M.T. letter to M.M.I.A. received by this H.Q. dated 11 May '45.

3. It would appear that the question of releases of rifles for training purposes had never been fully understood in view of the fact that previous instructions to 'P' ELU were to the effect that releases would be made only to cover reinforcements and not for training purposes and that the 2000 pool mentioned in this letter was in effect, for the whole of the R.A.A.C., including 'P' ELU. 3602

4. Your teleprint QG 2333 of 11 May '45 - copies to M.M.I.A. and 'P' ELU refo IGF - confirmed that issues for training were now being made ex RAAC pool, but to date no demands have been received.

5. May the Staff at 'P' ELU please be asked for a programme so that necessary arrangements can be made for a weekly ferry service of rifles.

Lt. col.
A.D.O.S.

copy to:-Land Forces Sub Comm AC.
MMIA - Q/GS/24 of 16 May '45
refers.

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R[illegible] AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Q 105/24
(141/2)

Subject:- Controlled stores for Italian units.

Q05
17/5

Ref : G8/1000/954/10
Tel : Rome 66540
Date: 15 May 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S. 'I' MIU
BRC 102.

Reference attached copy of A.F.H.Q. letter AFHQ/9151/6/Q(AI) dated 6 May '45.

1. Nothing is known in this office of an urgent request for 5,000 Rifles. Will you please confirm that you were not consulted in any way on such a demand.

Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

3600

Copy to:- D/DOS Land Forces Sub Comd. MELA.

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COPY

RESTRICTED

AIRBORNE FORCE HEADQUARTERS
TEL NO MIDDLEDOM 427
AFHQ/9251/6/Q(AB)
6 May 1945.

Subject:- Controlled Stores for ITALIAN units.

To :- Rear Area Allied Command

Reference your Q 242/2 dated 2 MAY '45.

1. The principles governing the supply of controlled stores to ITALIAN service units are as follows:-

(a) Personal arms: supplied through NATA. not to be supplied from British sources.

(b) Other controlled stores: to be supplied in the first place from Italian sources through NATA. If not available from this source, application may be made to this staff section for release vide NATA Admin. Instrs No. 12.

2. Troops belonging to the GRUPPO, including reinforcements, are maintained entirely from British sources, and you should treat their demands as for any British unit, releasing the controlled stores, of which you hold a pool, without reference to this HQ., and include demands for other stores on part II of your weekly demand.

3. In connection with reinforcements for the GRUPPO, it is observed that since 3 Mar 45 your rifle deficiencies have totalled 298. At the end of April an urgent request for 5,000 more rifles for the RTC, ICF was received from the Directorate of Military Training. This was referred back for action through the normal channels, but it would appear that insufficient liaison is being maintained between "F" BLU and your HQ. It is requested that you give this matter your attention.

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(Sgd) R.W. BRADLEY. Major
for Lt Gr-General G-4 (Tr)

JJF/MDB

G-4 (Tr) DISTN: Ord.

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Q/OS/24

(141)

Subject:- Controlled Stores.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

16 May 45.

"T" B L U PTC ICE.

Ref. your AQ/5/491 dated 4 May 45 and R.A.A.C. letter Q 242/2 dated 2 May 45/ — on file Q/OS/24 (Encl 41)

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The vouchers, numbered 3 GTC/31 and 33 and both dated 18th Apl/45 for respectively 213 Carbines MC Thompson and Piat Mk 1, have been returned to this H.Q. by A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C. They are enclosed herewith and it is suggested that, in view of the remarks in your letter, they be resubmitted through staff channels.

H.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

HSG/ab

See R.A.A.C. letter
O/1004/954/1C dated 25 May 45

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Spare.

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Q/05/29

Subject:- Controlled Stores.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/05/24

16 May 45.

REF B.E.U. TRO ICP.

Ref. your AQ/5/491 dated 4 May 45 and M.A.A.G. letter Q 242/2 dated 2 May 45/ ATC.

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The vouchers, numbered 3 GTC/31 and 33 and both dated 18th April/45 for respectively 213 Carbines MC Thompson and Flat Mk 1, have been returned to this H.Q. by A.D.O.S. M.A.A.G. They are enclosed herewith and it is suggested that, in view of the remarks in your letter, they be resubmitted through staff channels.

J. Greenwood.

P.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

PSG/nb

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Q/OS/29

Subject:- Controlled Stores.

Q OS 9/5

Ref : OS/1000/954/1C
Tel : Rome 66588
Date : 7 May '45

To :- Land Force Sub Commission
A.C. (MMIA)

Reference G.4 (Br) R.A.A.C. letter Q 242/2 dated 2 May '45.

1. Herewith two indents for T.S.M.G. Qty.213 and Piat Mk I Qty 1 for N°.3 G.T. Coy (Italian) c/o D.A.D.O.S. 'F' B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

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Q/05/29 (140A)

SUBJECT :- Controlled Stores

"F" BLU IRTC IOF
Ref: AG/5/491

4 May 1945

Rome Area Allied Command

Copy to :-
Land Forces Sub. Comm AC (MMIA)

Ref RAAC Q242/2 of 2 May and AFHQ/2151/G/Q(AS) of 27 April 45.

1. No. 3 G.T. Company (Italian) is NOT a service Unit - it is a Combat Force Unit.

2. No. 1 G.T. Company (Italian) and No. 2 G.T. Company (Italian) both have British arms, issued through Major Beasley's department at A.F.H.Q. No. 3 G.T. Company (Italian) is a similar Unit.

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Lieut-Col R.A.

AAG/r

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 U.S. ARMY

DR/mv

Q. 242/2

4/5.

SUBJECT: Controlled Stores

2 May 45

TO : Land Force Sub-Commission AC (MMIA)

1. We enclose herewith a copy of letter received from AFHQ for your information.

2. Paragraph 1 quoting appendix "M" was a demand for 213 TSMG and 1 Piat Mk 1 for No 3 GT Coy (Italian).

ALBAN LOW.
Brigadier
Deputy Commander

Copy to: "F" MLU
OPD
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Q 255

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

AFHQ/9151/6/Q(AE)

27 Apr 45

SUBJECT: Controlled Stores

Rome Area Allied Command

Reference your letter Q 255 dated 23 Apr 45.

1. It is noted that demands for Staff Controlled Stores made in part II of Appendix 'H' appended to the above quoted letter includes requirements for No 3 GT Coy (Italian).

2. The policy in this connection is that the supply of such equipment to Italian Service units is the responsibility of MMIA from Italian sources.

3. It is requested, therefore, that demands for equipment of this type be placed on MMIA through the MMIA Liaison Officer. 359?

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

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Subject:- Clothing of Italian Origin.

To: HQ. RTC, ICF.

For information to:
Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
for DADOS your Q/OS/29 of 21 May refers.

Q OS/29 26/5

3 "F" B.L.U.,
I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,
AC (MMIA) Rome.

Ref ; ORD/8/12
May 25th 1945.

Q 10 s/137/4

Reference your 07/1200/5/Comm di prot dated 5th May 45 addressed to Ministero della Guerra. copy returned to 1st addressee

1. MMIA inform me that for troops being demobilized Black uniforms are shortly to be issued and that in the meantime such troops should be given dyed green uniforms.

2. The quantity you have demanded, 4500, is in any case queried as being excessive.

Q AB 339

M.W.JEFFERY.
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

MWJ/WES
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Your allotment of black CC's Amn = 500 only
Total estimate for demob at RTC ICF = only 900.

Letter ORD/36/11 of June 2nd refers.

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Q/OS/29

Subject:- Stores from Italian Origin.

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

"F" B.L.U.,
I.R.T.C/, I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm,
AC (MMIA) Rome.

Q(OS)
23/5/

Ref : ORD/8/10
May 22nd 1945

Reference your Q/OS/29 dated 21st May 1945.

The demand from "Div Piceno" referred to in the above letter was not attached as stated.

May a copy be forwarded please.

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M.W.JEFFERY.
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

MWJ/WES
File.

Sent 23 May 45 (1600 hrs) 2 cpl.

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Subject:- Stores of Italian Origin.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M M I A)
Rome
Q/OS/29

F BLU RTC ICP(for DADOS)

21 May 45

Attached hereto is demand from Divisione " Piceno " received through Ministry of War for items of Italian origin which should be provided from British sources. Will you please investigate.

The last item, STIVALETTI (Jack Boots) paia 4500, which is an item that cannot be supplied from British sources is not available from Italian sources.

W.A.Badcock

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

WAB/lc

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Ord/8/10 of 2.2/3 refers
Ord/8/12 of 24/3 refers

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IMPORTANT

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 26

TO MMIA LO RTC ICF CESANO

INFO MMIA

AQ/252 • CONFIDENTIAL • DISPATCHED ON 25 AND 26 APRIL TO CESANO FOR RTC ICF FOLLOWING WAGONS CONTAINING 1000 DOUBLE-TEAR BEDS • 77493304 CMA 443787 CMA 76784 CMA 015938 CMA 77193230 CMA 72397 CMA 6663 CMA 1006386 CMA 222661 CMA 486280 CMA 475292 CMA 1029190 BI 261840

Cont: AQ/BR-ITI/23 of 15 Feb. refers.

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M.M.I.A.
Internal Memo.

FROM: Q (OS) Q/OS/24

TO : Q (AE) 2 May 45

RTC ICF, CESANO, has been supplied from Br.Ord. with some accomodation stores, although it was agreed when the camp was first proposed that these stores would come from Italian sources.

DADOS F ELU is now submitting further demands for accomodation stores and AFHQ is asking for the replacement of the Br. Supplied Stores by Italian Stores. To effect this and to bring the RTC up to full scale the following are now required:-

tables	1870
forms	1740
chairs	1510

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As it is understood that some quantities are being manufactured by Italians, may this please be treated as a demand on you for a release, to be satisfied as and when availability permits.

J.Greenwood.

P.S. GREENWOOD, Maj ox
Q (OB)

PSG/ab

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Subject:- Accomodation Stores.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

2 May 45.

"T" BLU IRTC ICF

The accomodation stores that you require are not immediately available. Tables, forms and chairs are being manufactured by the Italians, both in military plants and by local contract. Progress is however slow, due to two factors, a shortage of timber and inadequate electric power.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

FSG/ab

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Subject: Accommodation Stores

HQ MTO 1955 File

Def's AG/3/309

25 April 45

Land Forces Sub Area AG (USA)

1. Reference is made to LFS letter G6/1000/G1(a) and to IGS 1255 (Ord 1) to which reference is made therein.

2. It is noted that all accommodation stores will be found from Italian sources.

3. The additional stores asked for in para 1a of the letter G60/33/G1 are urgently required and in their absence shooting and exhibition cannot be actively continued.

4. You will be informed that steps are being taken to arrange for Italian Government to supply these stores and also the requirements for British stores already issued to Italian personnel to date in the last paragraph.

[signature]

Lieutenant Colonel

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DCS 1255 (Crd 1) to which reference is made therein.

2. It is ruled that all accommodation stores will be found from Italian sources.

3. The additional stores asked for in DADCS "F" ILO letter Crd/25/24 are urgently required and in their absence training and administration are seriously handicapped.

4. May this HQ be informed what steps are being taken to enable the Italian Government to supply these stores and also the replacements for British stores already issued to which reference is made in the last paragraph.

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Lieut-Col FA

L.H.M./cm

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See MMIA letters (2) Q/OS/24 of 25 APR. & 2 MAY.

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Subject:- Accomodation Stores. R.T.C. I.C.F.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

25 April 45.

Q(AE)
A.F.H.Q.

Ref. your AFHQ/9140/Q(AE) pf 21 Apl/45.

1. The question of the provision of accomodation stores for RTC ICF has been taken up with the Ministry of War. Stocks of the items mentioned in your letter cannot be supplied from Italian sources. The best that can be produced is 750 stools.

2. Endeavours are being made to manufacture tables, forms and chairs in military plants and by Local Contract, but difficulty is arising through inability to obtain adequate electric power. Production is extremely slow and the position will not materially improve yet. Your para 5 (a) can therefore be answered to the effect that these stores cannot immediately be obtained from the Italian government.

3. The existing strength of the RTC now stands at 9.000 reinforcements and 3.500 permanent staff. The approved figures have now become 13550 and 2.300 respectively.

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

Copy to:- ADOS RAAC:-
your OS/1000/954/IA of
21 Apl/45 refers.
DADOS F BLU.

FSG/ab

Branch Note
See (?Oc) F BLU letter AQ/3/389 of 23 APRIL (recd. AFTER despatch of this letter to AFHQ) J.M.K. 27

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427.

AFHQ/9140/Q(AE).

21 Apr 45.

Q/86 2814

SUBJECT:- Accommodation Stores RTC ICF.

MMIA.

1. A demand has been received through Rome Area for:

1000 Tables GS
1000 Forms DT
1000 Chairs FF

for RTC ICF. These are stated as being required to bring the RTC up to the full scale allowed under the CMF Accommodation Schedule 1945.

2. At a Conference held at this HQ to discuss the formation of the RTC ICF it was stated on behalf of MMIA that most of the Accommodation Stores required would be found from Italian sources.

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3. This present demand, which is based upon a recently published scale, represents a large commitment and it can only be met at the expense of other pressing commitments for British Troops.

4. All Tables, Forms and Chairs obtained by Ord are procured by local contract - a means presumably available to the Italian Government also.

5. In these circumstances may it please be confirmed -

(a) That the Stores cannot be obtained by the Italian Government

and (b) That there has recently been a very large increase (the quantities demanded are sufficient according to the Schedule for 8,000 personnel) necessitating these stores.

R.W. BEASLEY, Major,
for Major General G-1 (Br).

RWB/MDD.

Copy to:- G-3 (Org)
Ord (Br).

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Maj Greenwood

Sir

Major JEFFREY ('F' BLU) phoned today (Sunday) 1145 hrs ref. ring from track removal am. ~~re~~ att. letter from Lt Reid (RAAC).

V Mgl 22 Apr 45

Shown Brain Cole 23 Apr 45 who took necessary action

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	Ant. Scale	Rect	Def	Demande en Rang
Jabbeke	1870	495	1375	1000
Torino.	1740	250	1490	1000
Chaino	1510	490	1020	1000.

150 stools.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

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Subject:- Accommodation Stores -
R.T.C. I.C.F.

Ref : OS/1000/954/1A
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 21 April 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S.
M.M.I.A.

Q/OS/24

1. Attached please find copy of DOS 1255 (Ord 1) dated 16 April '45 which states that all accommodation stores for RTC ICF are a Italian Government responsibility.

2. Attached also is DADOS F HLU letter Ord/23/24 dated 31 March '45 which sets forth RTC ICF requirements for

1000 Tables GS
1000 Forms DT
1000 Chairs FF

3. May early advice please be given as to dates these stores will be available from MMIA channels.

4. As you are aware quantities of accommodation stores have already been supplied to RTC ICF from R.A.A.C. stocks. Full details will be supplied under separate cover in order that replacement can be arranged.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

copy to:- G.4. (Br) (Copy of DOS 1255(Ord 1) of 16 Apr. '45. Please cancel Q242/7 dated 19 Apr. '45).

DADOS F HLU RTC ICF (Please forward schedule of all accommodation stores issued by this HQ.)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- Accommodation Stores
RTC ICF.

Ref : DOS 1255 (ORD1)

Tel : Freedom 991

16th. April 1945.

To :- DDOS 2 District.

Reference ORD/1019 of 7 April 45.

1. The matter of Tables, Chairs and Forms for RTC ICF has been submitted to Q(AF), who state that the Stores will NOT be issued.

2. When RTC ICF was first proposed, MMIA stated that all accommodation stores could and would be provided from Italian sources. Provision of these stores is the Italian Govt. responsibility.

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(Sgd) G M LEA, Capt.
for Maj-Gen,
DOS AFHQ.

Copy to:- CO 2 Sub Depot 557 ROD - (OS2/JOB/124/152 of 13 Apr. refers)
COC 557 ROD.

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Subject:- Accommodation Stores.

'F' S.L.U.
I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (AMIA) Rome
Ref : ORD/23/24
March 31st. 1945.

To :- A.D.C.S.
R.A.A.C.
Rome.

Reference your OS/1000/954/1a dated 18th. March '45.

1. The accommodation stores for 1000 men, so frequently referred to between us, do not seem to have been based upon any recognisable scale or schedule.

2. IRTC, ICF has infact received:-

Tables G.S.	Qty.	495
Forms D.T.	"	250
Chairs F.F.	"	490

3. I demanded 1000 each, Tables, Forms, and Chairs under cover of my ORD/23/19 of 23rd. March '45, to bring irtc icf approximately to the full scale allowed by C.M.F. Accommodation Schedules 1945. In actual fact, on the basis of 4300 troops my latest demands would bring the total of all above items well within the schedules.

4. Under Part II Table D-IRTC, ICF is authorised:-

Tables,

(I)	For Dining, 1 Table per 16	Total	810
(II)	For Serving 1 " " 8 dining	"	100
(III)	2 Tables per cookhouse	"	120
(IV)	6 " " ration store	"	360
(V)	2 " " Q.M. store	"	120
(VI)	1 " " Guard Room	"	60
(VII)	Offices as necessary	"	300
			1870.

5. Forms.

2 each Dining Table	Total	1620
1 " Company Office	"	60
1 " Guard Room	"	60
		1740

6.

Chairs	1 each Office Table + 10%	330
Offs Mess	1 per Dining Member + 10%	520
Sgts "	1 " " " "	660
		1510

7. It will be seen therefore that (1) demands plus present holding as opposed to (II) authorized scale, are as follows:-

Tables (i) 1245 (II) 1870

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4. Under Part II Table D-IRTC, ICF is authorised:-

Tables,

(I)	For Dining, 1 Table per 16	Total	810
(II)	For Serving 1 " " 8 dining	"	100
(III)	2 Tables per cookhouse	"	120
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			1510

7. It will be seen therefore that (1) demands plus present holding as opposed to (II) authorized scale, are as follows:-

Tables	(i)	1945	(II)	1870
Forms	(1)	1250	(II)	1740
Chairs	(1)	1490	(II)	1510

8. It may be added that the schedule of accommodation stores does not take into account tables and forms for instructional classes, which form a substantial proportion of the requirements for this Centre. Welfare amenities such as cinema, are also precluded. I suggest therefore, that my de ands, althought large in quantity, are nevertheless well within reason.

9. I would be appreciated if my demand were treated as urgent.

M.W. JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

MWJ/MES
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Subject :- D.O.S. Circulars.

"F" B.L.",
I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm ,
AC (MMIA) Rome.

To: Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(MMIA) Rome.

Ref: ORD/1/30
May 22nd 1945.

Copy of D.O.S. Circular No 207 has not been received by this office.

It would be appreciated if a ~~further~~ copy could be sent please.

WES/-
File.

M.W.JEFFERY.
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject:- Accomodation stores for PTC ICF.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/03/24

21 May 45.

A.D.C.S.
L.A.A.C.

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Ref. para 2 your 03/1000/954/IA of 13 May 45.

Please note that, as the stores were for the use of Italian Combat Troops, the issue should not be on repayment but on loan in accordance with DCS Circular N°205.

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

Copy to:- DDCS 3 District
DADOS "F" BLU HTC ICF

WAB/eb

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Subject:- Issue of rifles to RTC-ICT.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
c/03/24

16 May 45.

A.D.O.S.
F.A.A.C.

Attached is copy of AFHQ letter NME/33/4MT1 of 11 May/45.

Will you please inform me if adequate supplies of rifles have been maintained to supply RTC ICT with their weekly requirements. 3373

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

FSG/ab

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SUBJECT: Issue of rifles to RTC. DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/88/4/MT1

11 May 45.

HQ MEDITERRANEAN CMF.

On a recent visit by an officer of this Directorate to the FTC it was represented by "F" BLU that they held only 6,000 rifles and were unable to draw sufficient to arm each man with his own weapon.

Inquiries have been made as a result of which it appears that "F" BLU have made only insignificant demands for rifles on R.A.A.C. during the past two months.

Had "F" BLU demanded rifles at the rate of 2,000 per week, as explained to them by an officer from Q(AE) AFHQ the demands would have been met and there would have been ample rifles for everyone.

Will you instruct "F" BLU to demand rifles from R.A.A.C. till they hold sufficient to arm each man.

(Sgd) ????????????
Brig.
D.M.T.

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SUBJECT: Issue of Rifles to RTC.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

Tel:11667

DMT/88/4/MT1

11 May 45.

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HQ MMLA CMF.

On a recent visit by an officer of this Directorate to the RTC it was represented by 'F' BLU that they held only 6,000 rifles and were unable to draw sufficient to arm each man with his own weapon.

Inquiries have been made as a result of which it appears that 'F' BLU have made only insignificant demands for rifles on R.A.A.C. during the past two months. 3371

Had 'F' BLU demanded rifles at the rate of 2,000 per week, as explained to them by an officer from Q(AE) AFHQ the demands would have been met and there would have been ample rifles for everyone.

Will you instruct 'F' BLU to demand rifles from R.A.A.C. till they hold sufficient to arm each man.

(3)

W Mills Hogan
Brig.
D.M.T.

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From ROME AREA

To AFHQ

INFO MMIA "F" BLU RTC ICF

QG

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AFHQ/9151/6/Q(AE) 175 of 06 MAY

FOR Q(AE) X REFERENCE YOUR NINE ONE FIVE ONE SLANT SIX SLANT Q(AE) OF SIX AND CONVERSATION BEASLEY - HUGHES IT IS CONFIRMED RIFLES FOR TRAINING PURPOSES AT RTC ICF WILL BE RELEASED EX RAAC POOL

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{G-4 BRITISH SECTION RAAC

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Q/OS/11/1

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/11/1

15 May 45.

Subject:- Combat Troops - Italian.

"F" B L U IRTC IGF

Ref. your letter AQ/15/533 of 14 May 45. A.F.H.Q. signal FX 71874 of 07 is repeated below:-

"OWING PERSISTENT COLD WEATHER NOW PREVALENT IN ARMY AREA AND IN VIEW LOWER TEMPERATURES AS FORMATIONS MOVE NORTH ALL REINFORCEMENTS WILL BE DESPATCHED WITH BOTH WINTER AND SUMMER SCALE CLOTHING UNTIL FURTHER ADVICE. THIS SUPERSEDES LETTER AFHQ/9176/9(AE) OF 9 MAR".

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F.S. GREENWOOD.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

FSG/ab

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[illegible] AREA ALLIED [illegible]
ORGANISATION (RESTRICTED)

Q/DS/24 125

Subject:- Accommodation.

Ref : G3/1000/954/1A
Tel : Rome 66838
Date: 14 May 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S.
[illegible] H.Q. A.T.O. I.C.F.

Q DS.
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Reference your G3/23/45 dated 4th. May 1945. Para 4 Column 'C'.

1. It is not understood how these stores were obtained or why they have been held in stock by you and not issued against authorised deficiencies.

2. In view of the present controversy as to source of supply of stores to Italian forces will you please arrange early return of all items to A.D.O.S. Dump Rome.

3. Your further requirements should be demanded in the normal way and the necessary staff authority applied for. 3363

Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

Copy to:- D.D.O.S. No.3 District
[illegible] Land Forces Sub Command [illegible].

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Q/05/24.

Subject:- Unit Intent.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
F O N E
Q/05/29

14 May 45.

"F" B L U IRTC IGF
(for DADOS)

Ref. attached demand from Divisione "Piceno" dated 4 May 45, for various items of barbers equipment, received Via the Ministry of War.

All items are "not available" from Italian Sources, with the exception of hair-clippers, eight of which DADOS MMIA NAPLES will issue to you on receipt by him of your collection or despatch instructions. 3567

F.S. Greenwood.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- MMIA LO NAPLES (less enclosure)
.(for DADOS) - please enmark 8 clippers hair for DADOS "F" BLU.

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File

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME
Q/OS/24 —

14 May 45.

Subject:- Unit Indent.

"F" BLU IRTC ICF
(for DADOS)

The attached demand for tent pieces and poles from Divisione "Piceno", received Via the Ministry of War, is returned herewith. The items demanded are not immediately available.

J Greenwood. 3565

T.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Internal
Copy to:- Q/OS/29

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Q/05 BRITIS Q/05/24 121A

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale Servizi di Comm/to Militare ed Amm/vi
Divisione Vestiario E.C.C.-Sez. 1ª B

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)
= ROMA =

14. Si richiede l'autorizzazione per la distribuzione da fonte Alleata degli oggetti elencati nella colonna 5 paragrafo 12 dell'allegato specchio ed anche di qualsiasi altro oggetto controllato elencato nella colonna 4 dello stesso paragrafo.

Si certifica che tutti gli oggetti richiesti di fonte Alleata non sono disponibili da fonte italiana ad eccezione di quelli che sono già stati autorizzati dalla M.M.I.A. per essere riservati per altre unità italiane.-

Prot.n. 17065/VC
Data 8.5.45

IL MINISTRO

p.IL DIRETTORE GENERALE a.p.s.
L'ISPETTORE GENERALE

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Spare.
Q/05/24

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/05/29

15 May 45.

Subject:- Italian Equipment.

"F" BIAU IRTC ICF
(for DADOS)

Ref. your Ord/S/2 of 25 Apl/45.

Q/05/207 of 14 May

I attach hereto copy of my signal authorising the issue to you for Divisione "Piceno" of four thousand palliasses. The other items demanded are not available.

Please inform M.M.I.A. L.C. NAPLES (for D/DOS) 3563 means by which you will arrange collection or wish to have the stores despatched.

F. Greenwood.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- MMIA LO NAPLES
(for D/DOS)

FSG/nb Q/05/24

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SIGNAL Q105/24

FROM: M M I A

DATE 14 15.00 MAY TIME B

TO(FOR ACTION): PENSOUTH

Q/05/207

RESTRICTED

FOR M M I A L O (.) PREPARE TO ISSUE TO F B L U* FOUR THOUSAND PAILLASSES 3562

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATION H. Thelwood. Major

COPY TO: F B L U
(FOR D A D O S)

* Branch Note:
For "ACENO" Div.

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M.M.I.A.
Internal Memo.

FROM: Q (OS) Q/OS/24~~A~~

TO : Q (AF) 5 May 45.

The release of the undermentioned items from Italian stocks in Rome is requested, please.

Brande in ferro (iron bedsteads)	250	
portamaterassi (canvasses)	250	300
materassi crine (mattresses horsehair)	16	
traversini crine (bolsters horsehair)	16	
lenzuola (sheets bed)	250	
federe (pillow cases)	250	

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
Q (OS)

FSG/ab

for Centro Addestramento Cesano for SIVA.
(for Indent - see file Q/OS/29)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- Accommodation Stores for R.T.C., I.C.F.

Ref : CS/1000/954/1A
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 15 May 1945.

To :- D.D.O.S.
HQ. No.3 District.

Further to this office letter of even reference dated 5 May 1945.

1. Attached please find letter ORD/23/46 dated 4th. May '45 shewing quantities of accommodation stores held and issued by R.T.C. I.C.F.

2. D.A.D.O.S. M.M.I.A. states that these items cannot be replaced from Italian sources (letter Q/OS/24 dated 25 April '45 copy passed to you refers), and it would appear that repayment action for items already issued should be taken by this office.

3. It was not previously known that the items shewn in Column C of IRTC letter dated 4th. May '45 were held in stock by D.A.D.O.S. R.T.C., I.C.F. and such items are being withdrawn to A.D.O.S. Dump Rome.

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(Signed) A. Reed.
Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

Copy to:- DADOS F MIN RTC ICF
DADOS Land Forces Sub Comm
MMIA with copy of ORD/23/46 dated 4th. May 1945.

See Q/OS/24 of 21 May

OOFT

Subject:- Accommodation Stores.

To :- A.D.C.S.
R.A.A.C.
Rome.

"F" B.L.U.
I.R.T.C., I.C.T.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm.
AC (PMIA) Rome.

Ref CRD/23/46
May 4th. 1945.

Reference your OS/1000/954/1A dated 21st. April 1945.

1. Herewith schedule of accommodation stores:-

Column A : Quantity issued to Italian units present with RTC, ICF since 1st. Feb. 1945.
B : " " to other units (Italian combat units since left RTC ICF, British units etc.)
C : " Central Storehouse RTC, ICF, as at 30th. April 1945.
D : Total "A+B+C.

.Designation	A	B	C	D
Chairs Fold Flat	278	12	NIL	490
Forms D.T.	248	2	"	250
Tables C.S.	471	24	"	495
Pans Frying	67	NIL	26	93
Dishes Baking	71	6	618	695
Kettles Camp	275	8	307	590
Bowls Hand	150	15	146	311
Skimmers Cooks	29	NIL	2	31
Forks Carving	37	"	213	250
Buckets Tea	72	"	160	232
" Latrine	48	6	51	105
Lamps Hurricane	170	1	32+29 for repair	232
Buckets 13"	66	24	NIL	90
Tubs Washing Oval	81	4	145	230
Slicers Fish	31	NIL	18	49
Ladles Cooks	13	"	7	20
Machines Mincing	26	"	1	27
Knives Carving	67	6	219	292
Pins Rolling	12	2	26	40
Bowls Mixing Pudding	59	3	NIL	62
Knives Cooks	8	NIL	2	10
" Opening Tins	10	"	58	68
Safes Meat	4	3	43	50
Implements Butchers Cases	NIL	NIL	3	3
Basins Enamel Washing	"	"	70	70

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...ks, Italy as at 30th. April 1945.

D : Total A+B+C.

Designation	A	B	C	D
Chairs Fold Flat	278	12	NIL	490
Forms D.T.	248	2	"	250
Tables C.S.	471	24	"	495
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" Opening Tins	10	"	58	68
Safes Meat	4	3	43	50
Implements Butchers Cases	NIL	NIL	3	3
Basins Enamel Washing	"	"	70	70
" Washing other types	"	"	20	20
Containers Insulators 6 Gal.	"	"	200	200

2. The stocks in hand, of certain items are of quite large quantities and it does not seem that they will be demanded by units of BAG, I.C.F. If you agree, I propose returning to you about 75% of such stocks

3. May it be ascertained how far the AFHQ ruling regarding accommodation stores affect issues and stores at present held by Italian units here.

4. There is no doubt whatever that the Italians would find it well nigh impossible to replace present British stores from Italian Resources.

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M.W. JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.C.S.

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Subject:-Italian Shelter Halves. Q/05/21 116

To:-D.A.D.O.S.
AC MMIA Rome

"F" B.L.U.,
I.R.T.C. I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub-Com.,
AC MMIA Rome

Ref. ORD/23/40
April 28 1945

Reference Land Forces Sub-Commission
AC MMIA request the following information is given by HQ. RTC. ICF

Quantity of Italian shelter halves
(teli a tenda) received ---------- 3991

Total Number in use ---------- 280

M.W.JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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JM/vg
Copy to:-DAA and QMG.
"F" BLU RTC ICF.

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Subjects- Clothing for IRTC - denims.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/03/24

1o April 45.

O.C. "F" B.L.U.
(for BADOS).

The suggestion made after the visit of the Supreme Allied Commander was apparently that a pool of denims should be made available which would virtually be part of the training centre's equipment. The substance of A.F.H.Q.'s letter is that the shortage of denims prevents them from being able to allow you to hold such a pool but the letter does not mean that denims may no longer to issued to troops as personal equipment. W.E. Table 72 still stands and you should periodically demand denims in a sufficient quantity to equip all reinforcements going forward who are entitled to such.

Denims are not controlled stores but reserved stores. Your demands therefore may not go direct to the BOD but must be passed through ADOS RAAC for his approval.

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P.S. Greenwood.

P.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

COPY TO: ADOS RAAC.

PSG/eb

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Q/05/24

SIGNAL

DATE 10 April TIME D

FROM: H M I A

TO(FOR ACTION): PENSOUTH

TO(FOR INFO): F B L U

REAR RIGHT ARMY

BW CADRE 302 IEHD

CESINO

RESTRICTED

Q/03/148

FOR H M I A L O (.) PREPARE FOR SHIPMENT

CAPS TEN THOUSAND FOR IETC FOUR THOUSAND FOR 22E DIV

FOUR THOUSAND FOR 302 IEHD (.) COLLECTION BY ROAD BEING ARRANGED

FOR IETC CONSIGNMENT *

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION

'F' BLU letter ORD/11/33 d. 19 Mar refers.

* Hyd. Rep = Form T/4.

Sup Q/05/234 of 28 Mar refers

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S I G N A L

FROM MMIA

06/1412 A

Q/05/24

TO MINISTRY OF WAR
BR CADRE 804 BRD TRANI
"F" BLU, RTC ICF

INFO 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR MOTOR TRANSPORT GROUP

SD 5525

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED

REF MMIA SD 2563 OF 4 APRIL PARA 2 (.) CANCEL REFERENCE TO 221 TRANSPORT COY A C (.) 12 LORRIES NO 1 SPECIAL TRANSPORT COY I T I - I T I WILL ARRIVE 804 B R D T R A N I EVENING 8 APRIL FOR THIS DETAIL (.) PARTY OF 200 DRIVERS FOR NO 3 G T COMPANY WILL LEAVE 804 B R D MORNING 9 ARRIVE C E S A N O EVENING 10 APRIL AFTER STAGING N A P L E S NIGHT 9/10 (.) ENSURE 200 SUITABLE MEN READY, RATIONS REQUIRED (.) MMIA TRANSPORT ORDER NO S/78 REFERS (.) IF COLUMN LATE ARRIVING T R A N I 804 B R D PLEASE ARRANGE 200 STAND BY

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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INTERNAL:
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Subject:- Indents.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/GS/29

5 April 45.

O.C. "F" B.L.U. C. .F.
(for T.A.D.G.S.)

A demand for 10,000 ozps garrison dyed (berretti a buste) from the Piceno division, received under cover of Ministry of War's letter 15310/VC of 28 Mar/45 is passed to you herewith.

You may expect shortly an allocation of ozps.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- Ministry of War.
FILE Q/GS/24

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FSG/ab

Q/OS/24.

Subject:- Clothing for IRTC - Denims.

To: Land Forces Sub Comm AC, (MMIA) Rome. (for DADOS)

"F" D.I.U., I.R.T.C., I.C.F., c/o Land Forces Sub Comm, AC (MMIA) Rome.

For information to: DAA&QMG, "F" BLU, IRTC, ICF.

Ref: ORD/21/57
April 4th 1945.

Q(OS)

Reference your Q/OS/24/1 dated 2nd April 1945 and copy of AFHQ letter AG/400/005 GOT/O.- att. file Q/OS/24/1

1. It is noted that Denims cannot be supplied as a Depot pool for IRTC.

Amend^t No. 11 to NEL d. 8 Mar 45

2. On the latest edition of N.E.I.Table 72, overalls Denims are included on the scale of 1 pair (Trousers and Blouse) per man. However it is known that they are controlled stores and difficult to obtain.

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3. Consequently it is difficult to understand the precise policy regarding this garment and its issue to IRTC.

4. Should denims be demanded for all troops of IRTC on the scale of N.E.I. Table 72 ? or for reinforcements going forward ?

5. Alternatively, if such an issue is not possible, bearing in mind the constant flow of recruits, can another garment, such as Overalls Combination be demanded in lieu ?

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M.W.JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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Q(OS)

Reference your Q/OS/24/1 dated 2nd April 1945 — att.
and copy of AFHQ letter AG/400/005 GCT/O.— file a/os/11A

1. It is noted that Denims cannot be supplied as a Depot pool for IRTC.

Amend^r No 11 to MEL d. 2 May 45

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A.W.JEFFERY
Major
D.A.D.O.S.

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Amnd by a/os/24 d. 10 Apl.

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Q/05/24.

OUTGOING SIGNAL

Date 04 Time 3

FROM : MMIA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
56 BLU
Br CADRE 803 BRD AFRAGOLA
Br CADRE 804 BRD TRANI
"F" BLU RTC ICF

INFO : AFHQ FOR G 1 (Br)
54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
ALLIED COMMISSION FOR
MOTOR TRANSPORT GROUP

REF : SD/2563

CONFIDENTIAL

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FOLLOWING MOVES OF TRAINED DRIVERS FROM BRD's ARE AUTHORISED (.) 1 (.) A (.) 50 DRIVERS FROM 803 BRD AFRAGOLA TO MANTOVA GROUP (.) B (.) 100 DRIVERS FROM 804 BRD TRANI TO MANTOVA GROUP (.) DRIVERS SELECTED FOR A AND B ABOVE MUST BE SUITABLE FOR COMBAT AND CAPABLE OF TAKING OVER VEHICLES FOR IMMEDIATE OPERATIONAL MOVE (.) BRITISH CADRES WILL SIGNAL 56 BLU INFO MMIA WHEN DRIVERS ARE READY FOR COLLECTION BY MANTOVA (.) 2 (.) 200 DRIVERS FROM 804 BRD TO RTC ICF CESANO FOR No 3 GT COMPANY (.) THESE WILL BE MOVED IN VEHICLES OF 221 TRANSPORT COMPANY AC WHEN MOVE TO ROME TAKES PLACE(.) 3 (.) ON COMPLETION OF TRANSFER MANTOVA WILL TURN IN TO 803 BRD ALL DYED GREEN BATTLE DRESS IN WHICH DRIVERS FROM

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REF : SD/2563

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FOLLOWING MOVES OF TRAINED DRIVERS FROM BRD's ARE 3552
AUTHORISED (.) 1 (.) A (.) 50 DRIVERS FROM 803 BRD
ATRAGOLA TO MANTOVA GROUP (.) B (.) 100 DRIVERS FROM
804 BRD TRANI TO MANTOVA GROUP (.) DRIVERS SELECTED
FOR A AND B ABOVE MUST BE SUITABLE FOR COMBAT AND
CAPABLE OF TAKING OVER VEHICLES FOR IMMEDIATE OPERATIONAL
MOVE (.) BRITISH CADRES WILL SIGNAL 56 BLU INFO MAIA
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No 3 GT COMPANY (.) THESE WILL BE MOVED IN VEHICLES OF
221 TRANSPORT COMPANY AC WHEN MOVE TO ROME TAKES PLACE(.)
3 (.) ON COMPLETION OF TRANSFER MANTOVA WILL TURN IN TO
803 BRD ALL DYED GREEN BATTLE DRESS IN WHICH DRIVERS FROM
BOTH DEPOTS WERE DRESSED (.) RTC ICF WILL KEEP CORRESPONDING
200 SETS DYED GREEN BATTLE DRESS IN STOCK AGAINST POSSIBILITY
OF FUTURE POSTINGS FROM RTC ICF TO SERVICE UNITS (.) 4 (.)
NO MORE DRIVERS WILL BE POSTED TO MANTOVA EX RTC ICF THIS
MONTH

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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* amended - 1 Special Dpt Cy (see Sig SD 2515 d. 6 Dec)

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Subject: Clothing for I.R.T.C.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
G/CS/341/1

2 Apr 1945

To: OC "F" BLU RTC ICD CSSAMO.

Attached copy of letter from AFHQ, reference AG 400/005 OCT-O dated 29 Mar 45, is passed to you for information.

see file G/CS/341/1

P.P. C.

PTF/lc

P. P. FADDELL, J/Cond.
for Colonel, DA&QMG
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: AFHQ.

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IMPORTANT

IMPORTANT

FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 291700A
TO MMIALO RTC ICF CESANO
INFO MMIA

AQ/202 . CONFIDENTIAL . DESPATCHED TO CESANO FOR RTC ICF FOLLOWING WAGONS . ON 26 MAR 99531 CMA 1021706 CMA 1129339 CMA 727Ø112 CMA 40856 WITH 250 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 27 MAR 87147 CMA 1001681 CMA 1010788 CMA 192759 CMA 163100 WITH 250 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 28 MAR 31819 CMA 24073 CMA 479124 CMA 16335 CMA 94667 CMA 1013098 WITH 100 EIGHT TIER AND 50 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 29 MAR 52171 CMA 18865 CMA 410334 CMA 1007807 CMA 413867 CMA 1011358 WITH 75 EIGHT TIER AND 100 FOUR TIER BEDS . AUTHORISATION AQ/BR-ITI/23 REFERS
ET 291750A

SENT HH B
RD 0135A FA KKK

M.M.I.A. 2492
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Q/OS/24

"S & T. MMIA.
Recd 3550
File ST/

See L/o BARI sig AQ/252 of 21 APR.

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NINE AREA ALLIED COMMAND
Q.M.G. (SECTION)

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Subject:- Accommodation Stores.

Ref : QS/1000/934/1A
Vol : Issue 66203
Date: 28 March 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S.
F TOD RTO LOP
c/o Land Forces Sub Comd.
AG (MGIA) HQMS.

Q/05/24.

Reference ~~QM1/23/19~~ NT. dated 23 March '45.

1. In view of that fact that accommodation stores for 10,000 men have already been issued and having regard to the various separate indents which have been met from time to time for Messes etc. will you please confirm that you have reviewed your total holdings of accommodation in the light of C.M.F. War Accommodation Schedules 1945, and resubmit indents for your further requirements, if any.

2. As your demand for 1,000 tables will require special release no action will be taken pending confirmation of above.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.
(A. REID)

Copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. Land Forces Sub Comd.
AG (MGIA) C.M.F.

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IMPORTANT

LRO [redacted] IMPORTANT

FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 291700A
TO MMIALO RTC ICF CESANO
INFO MMIA
[redacted]

AQ/202 . CONFIDENTIAL . DESPATCHED TO CESANO FOR RTC ICF FOLLOWING WAGONS . ON 26 MAR 99531 CMA 1021706 CMA 1129339 CMA 7270112 CMA 40856 WITH 250 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 27 MAR 87147 CMA 1001681 CMA 1010788 CMA 192759 CMA 163100 WITH 250 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 28 MAR 31819 CMA 24073 CMA 479124 CMA 16335 CMA 94667 CMA 1013098 WITH 100 EIGHT TIER AND 50 FOUR TIER BEDS . ON 29 MAR 52171 CMA 18865 CMA 410334 CMA 1007807 CMA 413867 CMA 1011358 WITH 75 EIGHT TIER AND 100 FOUR TIER BEDS . AUTHORISATION AQ/BR-ITI/23 REFERS
BT 291750A

SENT [redacted] B
RD 0135A FA KKK

MMIA 5/30 2492

Q105/24

"S & T. MMIA"
Recd 3550
File ST/

See L/o Brnch dtd AQ/252 of 26 Mar.

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Nest[d]

			IN	
26/3	250	Four-Tier Beds.	(5 Wagons)	= equivalent of 500 D/T Beds.
27/3	250	" "	(5 ")	= " " 500 " "
	500			
28/3.	100	Eight-Tier "	(6 ")	= " " 400 " "
	50	Four " "		= " " 100 " "
29/3.	75	Eight-Tier "	(6 ")	= " " 300 " "
	100	Four-Tier "		= " " 200 " "

Analysis.

			D/T Beds
TOTAL -	650	Four-Tier = equivalent	1300
"	175	Eight-Tier = "	700
			2000

TOTAL " " 2000 D/T Beds

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ROYAL AIR FORCE CONFIDENTIAL
CONFIDENTIAL (DESTROY)

101

Subject.- Accommodation Stores.

Ref : G8/1000/954/1A
Tel : Ext 66333
Date: 28 March 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S.
H RHQ RAF IOB
c/o Land Forces sub Comm.
AC (WDLs) HQMF.

Q/05/2H.

Reference this/23/19 dated 23 March '45.

1. In view of the fact that accommodation stores for 10,000 men have already been issued and having regard to the various separate indents which have been put from time to time for Messes etc. will you please confirm that you have reviewed your total holdings of accommodation in the light of C.W.P. 'Accommodation Schedules 1945, and resubmit indents for your further requirements, if any.

2. Your demand for 1,000 tables will require special release no action will be taken pending confirmation of above.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.
(A. RHQ)

Copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. Land Forces sub Comm.
AC (WDLs) C.M.F.

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Subject: D.O.S. Instructions.

"F" L.E.U.,
I.R.T.C., I.C.F.,
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) Rome.

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To: Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(MMIA) Rome.

Q/OS/24

March 27th 1945.

Ref ORD/1/18.

Reference your letter Q/OS/24 dated 8th February 45 to ADOS , RAAC , copy to this office.

Copies of back numbers of D.O.S. circulars are still required. D.O.S. Circular No 182 and another (No unknown) dealing with Controlled Stores are particularly required, also a copy of Circular No 139.

Is it possible to obtain these please?

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M.W.JEFFERY
Major
DADOS.

JM/WES
Internal.
Float
File.

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Subject:- Workshops Equipment.

"P" B.L.U.
R.T.C. , I.C.F.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) Memo

To , A.D.O.S.
D./A.C.

March 27th 1945.

Copy to D.A.D.M.R.
"P" B.L.U. IRTC, ICF.

Ref ORD/ 17/2

D.A.D.O.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
AC (MMIA) Memo

Q/05/24

Ref Enclosed Issue orders R .T.C./X/15-19
152 Platoon W/Shops, No 152/1-4.

1. The items demanded are not included in the SRL/127/1 applicable to this unit, but it is considered that they are essential to its efficiency.

2. 3 Mechanists(Artificers) 2 Blacksmiths 2 Carpenters 1 Electrician 2 Sheet metal Workers and 11 Vehicle Mechanics, are included on the units W/E for whom no provision is made in the way of hand tools and equipment, and I can find virtually nothing in Tables 1 to 74 of the Normal Equipment Lists to cover this need.

3 A copy of my ORD/17/1 to DADOS , MMIA , is attached for your information.

4 The need of this equipment is accentuated by the fact that 19 Port Workshops R.E.M.E., at present dealing with the repair of IRTC, ICF, vehicles will shortly be leaving Ceseno andall this work will fall upon 152 W/shops Platoon and L.A.D.

5 While third addressee is requested to submit proposed amendment to the present SRL/127/1, may at least part of the items demanded be authorised for issue and held surplus to scale.

6 As the matter is of the utmost urgency, stores can be collected from Base Depot.

R.W.JEFFERY.
Major
DADOS.

RWJ/WES
Internal
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Subject - Italian Caps F.S.

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'F' B.L.T.,
R.T.C. I.C.F.
Ref. C.R.D./11/53.
28th. March 1945.

D.A.D.O.S. H.Q.;
Landforces Sub-Comm.
M.M.I.A.

Further to my CRD/11/33 dated 19 March 1945.

1. The position regarding Italian Caps F.S. is still unsatisfactory as no further releases have been received since then.
2. Present stocks at IRTC ICF are nil, and consequently reinforcements are leaving without head-gear.
3. Can an early release be expected?.
4. It is observed from N.E.L. Table 72, recently amended, that Caps F.S. are included-"Where applicable"-does this mean British Caps F.S. and if so are we entitled to demand them?.

T.W. JEFFERY 3545
Major
DADOS

TWJ/vg.
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CANADA
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MMIA
40 25
SIGNALS
8/05/24

LRC. V MEJE NR 217/18/19/20/21
QVR 1/3/4/7/8
FROM HQ 561 L OF C SCU RAOC 250915A
TO ADOS RAAC
INFO DOS AFHQ G(SD) RAAC Q RAAC
COD 557 BOD DMT C/O 56 AREA BLU RTC ICF
MMIA ROME AREA
OOX GR --- BT

3856 REFCE 2ND ADDRESSEE FX44859 OF 16 (.) STORES DESPATCHED AS FOLLOWS (.)
F I R S T (.)
R/N A/42/18 PIATS IN 15 CWP MARKED 5513202 (.)
R/N A/54/178 BINOS NO2 IN 2 CHESTS MARKED 5513204 (.)
R/N A/25/40 RIFLES TELESCOPIC W/MK II SIGHTS IN 10 CHESTS MARKED 5513206 (.) ALL TO YOU IN VEHICLE 5688814 ON 20 MAR (.) C/NOTE 1427 REFERS (.)
S E C O N D (.)
R/N A/208/11 MORTARS 2 IN IN 6 CHESTS MARKED 5513203 (.)
TO YOU IN VEHICLE 4720422 ON 22 MAR C/NOTE 1490 REFERS
T H I R D (.)
R/N A/27/215 TSMG IN 7 CWP MARKED 5513205 (.) R/N ES/312/22 MINE DETECTORS POLISH NO 4 IN 3 CHESTS MARKED 6616389 (.) ALL TO YOU IN VEHICLE 5686655 ON 21 MAR (.) C/NOTE 1479 AND 1481 REFER (.)
F O U R T H (.)
A/19/145 PISTOLS REV (.) .38 IN 1 CHEST MARKED
5513207 A/55/43 BINOS NO5 IN 1 CHEST MARKED 5513208 (.)
R/N ES/304/230 WATCHES GS AND R/N ES/300/158 COMPASSES MAGNETIC IN 1 PCL MARKED 5513933 (.) ALL TO YOU IN VEHICLE 4718560 ON 21 MAR (.) C/NOTE 1483 REFERS

BT 1055A
SENT NR 217/18/19/20/21 HJM AR K
RECD NR 217-21 25 1255A PJB
COPD NR 217-21 25 1335A SLW AR

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Spare.

Q/05/24

SIGNAL

DATE TIME
24 A

FROM: M M I A

TO: P KLU RTC ICP

Q/05/126

RESTRICTED

on file 8/05/20

KLP YOUR Q/3/12 OF 14 (.) CAPT J A C K S O N
R A O C WILL REPORT TO YOU SECRETLY

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AUTHENTICATION:_____

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N.M.I.A.
Internal Memo.

FROM: Q/OS

TO : MOVEMENTS

Ref: Q/OS/24

24 Mar/45.

May a bid for rail transport please be submitted to move barrack beds *

from BARI
to CESANO
No of wagons reqd 80.

At a rate of not more than 5 wagons per day. 3542

F.S. Greenwood

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
Q/OS.

Copy to:- DADOS F ELU RTC ICF
54 Area (for NMIA LO)

FSG/ab

Branch Note.
* up to 5000 double-tier beds
from Eng^r Stores BARI - CESANO (di Roma).

A/cpl. 24/3.

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Subject:- Equipment - R.T.C. I.C.T.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

March 45.

G4 Br. A.F.H.Q.

Ref your AFHQ/6442/Q(AD) of 11 Mar/45 and in particular to para 4.

No specific demands for accomodation stores were placed on 557 BOD by DADOS F BLU RTC ICT but it is understood that ADOS RAAC submitted demands for accomodation stores for 10.000 men on 557 B.O.D. for normal replenishment of his stocks. Out of stores issued against these demands, ADOS RAAC satisfied certain demands from DADOS F BLU. In point of fact there was no actual release of accomodation stores for 10.000 men to DADOS F BLU.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- ADOS RAAC
DADOS F BLU

FSG/ab

Kindly handed — matter is being dealt with by ADOS RAAC

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NSRB ARCA

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ASMC SCAS

NSRA V

QQ 1574

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL (.) SUBJECT IS RELEVANT FOR PLEASE REFER ZSMC AND FILE
QQYC SIX ZY FILE NUMBERS (.) TEXTUAL ALREADY SUPPLIED BY ASMC (.)
LICENSING QQYC AND QUARANTINE QQYC NOW RELEASED (.) PERSONS
INDEMNITIES FOLLOW TYPEWRITTEN QRD QYA LETS (.) TO ORDER YOU RETURN
DOCS AVIA IMMEDIATELY THEIR PERMITTAL AND CONSTANTLY ACCESSIBLE
REPLY TO ASMC

Cmdr USN
QRD

SECRET

Cmdr USCG

Subject:-Normal and Special Equipments
Lists for Italian Combat troops.

'Z' BLU RTC ICB,
c/o Land Forces Sub-Comm.
A.C. (MMIA) ROME.
Ref. GRD/1/17.
Dated. March 1945.

Q/05/24

To:DADOS
Land Forces Sub-Comm.
HQ MMIA ROME.
Copy to:
ADOS RAIC.

1. Although it is understood that they are in the course of preparation, the present lack of the Italian translations of SEL's and NEL's is causing some difficulty here.
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3. This is slow, cumbersome, and causes a considerable amount of work for my very small staff.
4. Local translations have been made of the lists concerning personal clothing and a few items, but this is impracticable and would involve too much time and labour to make such translations for every list in our possession. Apart from which technical terms cannot be translated into a foreign language without the aid of an interpreter versed in such terms.
5. Can some information be given as to the likely date of translations being made available, and any course adopted to speed their production ?.
6. The translations so far completed of any such lists would be appreciated right away.

A.W. Jeffery.
Major

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Copy to:
ADOS RAMC.

4105/24

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DADOS.

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Trip Agreement

Was Speaking to AFHQ (G-3 Rep) last night. All lighting sets found to have been released of 470, 576 and 5221.

Withdrawn 22/3 1830 hrs.

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23/05/24

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ROMA AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794. U.S. ARMY

Q. 242/6 T&P/mv

SUBJECT: Equipment of 576 and 470 It Fd Hospitals 21 Mar 45
"F" HQ RAC KCF.

TO : APO Q(AG)

Confirming telephone conversations Capts HOWARD-PRIEST of 20 Mar 45.

1. The following urgent requirements were advised to this HQ by DADOS "F" ELU for the above mentioned Hospitals:-

Tents	160 Pdrs	Qty	35	for	each	Hospital	Total 70
"	Universal Hospital Expanding	Qty	20	"	"	"	" 40
Lighting Set AMY HQ 1kA 5520		Qty	1	"	"	"	" 2
Generating Set 4 KW Lister Watson XS 10576		Qty	1	"	"	"	" 2

2. Release No T/190 was made by you in this connection as follows:

Store Tents	Qty 29	
IPP (Store Conversion)	Qty 11	
160 Pdrs	Qty 70	3537

from 557 MOD 2 Sub Depot.

3. It was agreed that this HQ would make arrangements for the Unit to collect forthwith.

4. Lighting and Generating Sets were NOT at present available.

W.K. Hughes Maj
Brand

for ALBAN LOW
Brigadier
Deputy Commander

Land Forces Sub Commission AC(ROMA)
Copy to: Ord
DADOS "F" ELU

Still deficient Lighting Sets and generators. See attached note
Wkh. 23/3.
Q.M.S. What do we do now??

Dec 785020

MMIA OVR 1-2 (P) 7503

From CRD (BF) ROUE AREA

DADOS BEJ RTG ICF

DADOS MMIA 2 SD 557 BOD

CRD 1133 1000/954/1A

24 0800
6R63
Q/05/24
21/3
CRER

CONFIRMING MORE MESSAGE TODAY FD GLENREIGH SURGE JETTY FD
SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS OF 576 AND 470 GT MD HOSPITALS FD
AMEQ (Q(AE)) WEIGHING FOLLOWING RELEASE NO. T/198 FD QTY 29
STORE TENTS QTY 11 EPP (STORE CONVERSION) QTY 70 160 ITEMS FROM 2 SUB
DEPOT 557 BOD FD YOU ARE ARRANGING COLLECTION IMMEDIATELY FD
LIGHTING AID GENERATING SETS NOT AT PRESENT AVAILABLE

Branch Note.
Heritage etc. to RTC ICF for
576 + 470 Gt. Fd. Hospitals

3536
28 MAR
BRISBANE

DECYPHERED
CRD (BRITISH)

CRD (BF)
G.A. (BF)

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MMIA QVR 1-2 ? 7503

from OMD (BF) ROUEN AREA

DADOS MELA 2 SD 557 BOD

OS/ 1438 /1000/954/18

0800

6R63

Q/05/24

CLEAR

OPERATING PHONE MESSAGE TODAY ED CLEARTHROUGH SIGNAL SECURITY ED

SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS OF 576 AND 470 IF ED HOSPITALS ED

AFHQ (Q(AE)) TELEPHONED FOLLOWING RELEASE NO. T/198 ED QTY 29

STORE TENTS QTY 11 IBP (STORE CONVERSION) QTY 70 160 PIRS FROM 2 SUB

DEPOT 557 BOD ED YOU ARE ARRANGING COLLECTION IMMEDIATELY ED

LIGHTING AND GENERATING SETS NOT AT PRESENT AVAILABLE

Branch Note.
Dentage etc. to RTC. ICF for
576 + 470 & Br. 3d. Hospitals

3536
2 Aug
SIGNALS

IMPORTANT

OMD (BF)

O.4. (BF)

OMD (BRITISH)

71102

SUBJECT: Italian Caps F.S.

Q/05/24

'F' BLU RTC ICF.
Ref. ORD/11/33.
19 March 45.

DADOS HQ LANDFORCES sub-commission (MMIA) ✓

1. Present immediate requirements for Italian Caps F.S. are 4,800.
2. Can this quantity be released from Italian sources with an additional 5,200, making total 10,000, to meet future requirements for 1 month ?.
3. In view of pastdifficulties in collecting this item from the Italian Clothing Store in Rome, a releasing authority in Italian as well as in English would be appreciated.

M.W. JEFFERY
Major
DADOS

MWJ/vg.

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Signal Q/05/108 of 3531/20 April 45 - allots 10,000 caps to MMIA

F Brw

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Signal Q/OC/108 of 3534 12 Apl 43
allots 10000 caps. to DA
F Bcw

Rec'd 10 Apl

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Q/05/24 C.U.O.

LRCF V LAEE NR 125
QVR1-3-4-7-8-9
FROM HQ 581 L OF C. STORES CONVOY UNIT RAOC 171736A
TO ADOS RAAC
INFO DOS AFHQ
(SD) RAAC
Q(AE) RAAC
CO 3 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD
COO 557 BOD
RTC ICF
BLU ATT RTC ICF
MMIA

MMIA 3718 SIGNALS

?FX 43128 — attn

? MORTARS

CR --- BT
3857 RESTD • REFCE SECOND ADDRESSEE FX431298 OF 13 • MORTATS 2 IN R/// R/NA/39/115 IN 5 CHESTS MARKD 5513168 •
? MORTARS MORTATS 3 IN R/N A/40/77 IN 3 CHESTS AND 3 LOOSE MARKED 5513799 •
ALL DESPATCHED 17 MAR IN VEHICLE 4913523 TO YOU FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION
C/NOTE 1296 REFERS
BT 171910A
SENT 2238
COPY FA

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR		

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 17 1700

FROM (A) ORD (Br) RCLE

TO (FOR ACTION) DADOS ELU RTC ICF

TO (FOR INFORMATION) MILA RTC ICF

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR

(REF. No.) OS/ 1381 / 1000/954/1A (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

FOLLOWING ITEMS AVAILABLE 2 SD 557 EOD AGAINST MY SIGNAL OS/1339/1000/
954/1 DATED 14 N/T FD PARA 1 AWAITING YOUR COLLECTION (.) ED BLOUSES
GRADE 1 SIZE 7 QTY 400 SIZE 9 QTY 400 SIZE 10 QTY 250 IV N2/605902
REFERS REMAINING SIZES NA (.) ED TROUSERS GRADE 1 SIZE II QTY 150
IV 2/605901 REMAINING SIZES NA FD BOOTS ANKLE GRADE II VARIOUS 3533
SIZES QTY 1670 IV 2/604263 2/604264 2/604265 FD PARA 2
HELD DESPATCH/ED RED STAR 16 MAR (.) BOOTS ANKLE GRADE 1 & II SIZE 5
QTY 40 SIZE 6 QTY 540 SIZE 7 QTY 445 SIZE 8 QTY 10 SIZE 9 QTY 5
IV 2/60463/1/2/3 604264/1/2 604262/1/4 REMAINING SIZES NA
PARA 3 FOLLOWING ALREADY COLLECTED BY YOU ON 13 MAR BELTS WAIST
W/E Q TY 2000 IV 2/604278 SIZES EXTRA LARGE AND LARGE NA FD
PARA 4 FOLLOWING BEING DESPA CHED BY RAIL (.) GREATCOATS GRADE 1
SIZE 4 QTY 400 SIZE 5 QTY 300 REMAINING SIZES NA FD 2 SD STATE
QUANTITIES QUOTED BY YOU AS OUTSTANDING CANNOT BE RECONCILED AND SUGGEST
SOME DEMANDS NOW CANCELLED AS OVER TWO MONTHS OLD

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE	THL OR TOR	Opr.
ORD (Br)	ORIGINATING SECTION: ORD (BRITISH)	1904/18	
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION:	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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5 R Interest Q(05)

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MMIA 4/7 S...LS

Q/05/24

LROF V LAEE NR122 supp
QVR 1-4-5 ACHG
FROM LAEE 162006A
TO RAAC - 557 BOD
INFO 56 AREA - BLU RTC ICF - MMIA ROME AREA
581 L OF C SCU
GR 142 BT

RESTRICTED

SIGNED SACMED CITE FHORB FX44532 (.) FIRST ADDRESSEE
FOR C(SD) & Q & ORD (.) SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR
COO AND OO 3 SUB DEPOT (.)
THIRD
R SEFOR DMT (.) FIRST (.) FOLLOWING
RELEASED RTC ICF EX 557 BOD (.)
READ (A) ITEM
(B) QTY (C) Q(AE) AUTHY (D) R/NO (.)

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(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
PIATS	K 30	41/65	A/42/116
MORTARS 2-IN (AIRBORNE)	26	38/73	A/208/11
BINOCULARS NO 2	22	80/122	A/54/178
COMPASSES PRISMATIC	23	53/114	ES/300/158
TSMG	41	30/145	A/27/215
MINE DETECTORS POLISH NO 4	3	91/13	ES/312/22
WATCHES GS	4	55/173	ES/304/230
RIFLES TELESCOPIC WITH MK II SIGHTS	10	28/32	A/25/40
PISTOLS REVOLVER .38	14	21/97	A/19/145
BINOCULARS NO 5	3	81/22	A/55/43

SECOND (.) FOR 3 SUB DEPOT (.) ISSUE AND DESPATCH
C/O ADOS ROME AREA (.) THIRD (.) 581 L OF C SCU (.)
SIGNAL DESPATCH DETAILS ALL CONCERNED
DT 162006A
SENT NR122 2340A DM E B D B B K
RD NR 122 2340A LOU E B E B

SUBJECT: Equipment - R.T.C., I.C.F.

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'F' B.L.U., R.T.C., I.C.F.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA) ROME.

Ref: CRD/12/19.

15 March 45.

To: D.A.D.O.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).

Q/OS/24.

1. Reference your Q/OS/24 dated 14 March 45. — att.

Para. 1. Noted.

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Para. 2. Action has already been taken with A.D.O.S., R.A.A.C.

Para. 3.
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Para. 5. Noted. Laundry equipment, however, is very technical and I have some doubt that R.E. sources can offer much help.

Para. 6. Noted.

Para. 7. Noted.

M.W.JEFFERY.
Major.
DADOS.

MWJ/ah.

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Part D Sheet Sec

Rec 18 Mar

SECRET No ARTY 190

MEUP V ADOS NR (9 QVR1

FROM ORD BRIT AFHQ 141800A

TO OO 3 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD

INFO G3 ORG (F) AFHQ ::: HQ LAND FORCES SUB COMMISIION

AC (MMIA) ::: RFT TNG CENTRE ITALIAN COMBAT GP

FD ARTY SEC AFHQ ::: DMT AFHQ

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QQX BT

OS2/3078 (.) RESTRICTED (.) ISSUE TO RTC ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

RULES SLIDE 10 IN QTY 10 R/N A/195/90 (.) DMT/88/44 MT1 OF 2 FEB

AND DOS/2017/3(ORD2) OF 20 FEB REFER

BT

passed to ADOS, RAMC.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

14 March 43.

"F" B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.
(for D.A.D.O.S.).

See AFHQ letter
AFHQ/6002/Q(AS)
dated 11 Mar 45.

Subject:- R.T.C. I.C.F. equipment.

Following upon the visit of A.Q.M.G., Q(AS) to R.T.C. I.C.F. on 3 March/45, a letter has been addressed to this H.Q. and the following points of an Ord. nature arising therefrom are brought up for your attention:-

1. There will be no change in the chain of supply. Your demands will continue to be submitted through D.A.A.C.

2. You should contact A.D.O.S. D.A.A.C. and arrange the exchange of Grade III Battledress for Grade I in accordance with availabilities. Ord. A.F.H.Q. has written to the depot to facilitate this exchange.

3. Who released the accomodation stores for 10.000 men? Please quote to this H.Q. the release number. This matter is said to require an urgent reply.

4. Forms calling for data for building up Special Equipment tables have been sent to you under cover of my letter Q/OS/20 of 9 March 45. Inform this H.Q. of any amendments you have to propose in existing NELS or SELS.

5. Laundry equipment is not available. Improvisation will have to be resorted to, calling upon RE resources.

6. Six sets of Barbers equipment are being released. Please maintain contact with A.D.O.S. D.A.A.C. thereon.

7. No shoe-makers tools are at present available but please keep in touch with A.D.O.S. D.A.A.C., enquiring into the

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possibility of local purchase.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- INTERNAL

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Q(OS)

LRKB V LAEE NR 30 P P

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FROM LAEE 131959A

TO ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND : 557 BOD

INFO 557 BOD : RTC ICF: BLU RTC ICF : MMIA : 561 L OF C SCU

GR 84 BT

RESTRICTED FX 43128

SIGNED SACMED CITE FHORB (.) FIRST ADDRESSEE FOR

G(SD), Q AND ORD SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR OO 3 SUB DEPOT

THIRD ADDRESSEE FOR COO (.)

ONE (.) FOLLOWING RELEASED RTC ICF EX 3 SUB DEPOT

557 BOD (.) MORTARS 2- IN QTY 5 R/NO A/39/115 Q(AE) 38/70 (.)

MORTARS 3- IN QTY 3 R/NO A/40/77 Q(AE) 39/45 (.)

TWO (.) FOR 3 SUB DEPOT (.) ISSUE AND DESPATCH SCU 3526

C/S ADOS RAAC (.)

THREE (.) 561 L OF C SCU SIGNAL DESPATCH DETAILS

ALL CONCERNED

ET 131959A

SENT NR 30 2144A JY B2 K

RECD NR 30 132144 A AAA AR KKK

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FROM: M M I A

TO(FOR ACTION): DISTRIBUTE

TO(FOR INFO): Q(ALL) A F H Q
F B L U R T C I C F

Q/OS/103 RESTRICTED

FOR M M I A L O REF HIS EU/263 OF 11 (.) CONFIRM THAT YOU MAY CONTINUE TO CLOTHE TO CAMP SCALE COMBAT VOLUNTEERS IN ORDER PRESERVE THEIR DEGREE PATRIOTISM (.) ADVISE IF QUANTITIES BECOME UNREASONABLE (.) D A D O S F B L U WILL WITHDRAW DYED CLOTHING WHEN KHAKI B D IS ISSUED AND ACCUMULATE

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION J. Greenwood Major

INTERNAL
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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 U.S. Army
Office of G-3 (British)

RA/G/125/03(Br) 12 March 1945

SUBJECT:- Anti-gas Clothing and Equipment.

TO :- "P" BLU, RTC ICP, c/o MAIA.

1. It has been decided to issue Personal and Anti-gas Equipment to Italian Troops in established units of the Italian Combat Force.

2. Authority for such issue is AFHQ letter AGD/521/2 dated 3 March 45.

3. Equipment will be issued on scales similar to those laid down for comparable British units, viz: Inf Trg Regt (Italian) scale to compare with Inf Trg Regt (British) IRTD., Lt Fd Ambulance (Italian) to compare with Lt Fd Amb (British), adjustment being made to allow for possible difference in strengths between British and Italian WEs.

4. The policy of issue will be based on:- 3524

(a) Full Scale (S1098) for Static Units incl Medical Units.
(b) Light Scale for Mobile Units.
(c) All Units in field formations (less AA Bdes) will be equipped on the Light Scales.

5. Light Scale for Mobile Units and Units in field formations will hold items as enumerated below:-

(a)	Respirator, complete	1) To be carried by
	Ointment, 2-oz tin or pot	1) the man or in the
	Eyeshields	6) vehicle in which
	Cape	1) he normally travels.
	Cotton Waste, ozs	1) To accompany if
	Detectors, Gas, Ground, pads 25	1) casualty.
	(Officers and NCOs only)	

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In addition, Mobile Units and Units in field formations will carry the following items; according to the number given in Unit G1098:-

(b) Personal Equipment, 1st , ine reserves - All;

(c) Unit Equipment.
(incl Unit Eqpt - Additional Items) Alarms, Local
Bleaching Powder
Equipment for
Stretcher Bearers
Capsules Lachrim-
atory.

(d) Vehicle Equipment. Detector Paint
Trays for Detector
Paint.

Equipment other than above will NOT be issued to Mobile Units.

5. BLU, RTC ICF, will submit demands for Italian Units as given in para 1, but will NOT arrange collection until advised by ADOS, Rome Area, that stores and equipment are ready for drawing.

R.H. CAMRASS, 3523
Lt.Col.
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF.

Copy to:- MMIA
HQ 2 District
G-4 (Br)
ADOS
File 131/G3(Br)

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

FROM: MMIA

DATE 12 MARCH 45

SERIAL NO. AQ/BR.ITL/377

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

Q/05/24

1. Reference M of W ltr. 7639/4 of 26/2/45

2. Authority is granted to issue the u/n items from ~~ALLIED~~ ITALIAN SOURCES

TO ICF REC CESANO (BR-ITL)(CAT 60)

Stationed at CESANO

Employed by BR.ITLS

STOCK NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	PT SHORTS	2800 prs
	PT VESTS (b)	98 "
	GYM SHOES	2700 prs

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3. Purpose of issue

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PT SHORTS	2800 prs
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3. Purpose of issue .....

4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

5. Collection should be made on or before 12 APRIL 1945 after which this Authorization becomes invalid.

6. REMARKS N OF W TO NOTIFY ICP REG CESANO WHEN COLLECTION CAN BE MADE.

* RAAC (Ord Br) letter 05/1000/95 11 dated 4 Feb refers.

DISTRIBUTION

MMIA LO (2)
MMIA ORD NAPLES
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For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army

Pro Forma MMIA/ORD/2

A.C. Nov. 1944

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ROME AREA

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557 BOD - RTC ICP - RUH RTC ICP- RUA
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RESTRICTED (.) REFERENCE YOUR FX /40732 of 9 CITE WORD (.) CONFIRMED

UNIT COLLATING.

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G-3 Brit
Gen. Brit
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ROUTINE

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Subject:- Tentage.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

12 March 45.

D.A.D.O.S.
B.L.U. R.T.O. I.C.F.

Copy of A.F.H.Q. signal DOS/1132 (ORD 1) of 7 March/45 is attached for your information.

F.S. Greenwood.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- ADOS RAAC
(without attachment)

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SUBJECT: No. 2 G.T. Company.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
SD/G/A
10 March 45

Q/05/24.

TO : "F" BLU, RTC ICF.

Further to MMIA SD/6 of 10 March and SD 2620 of 8 March.

1. Please ensure that No. 2 G.T. Company is complete in equipment as well as personnel, and ready in all respects to move to the forward area on 1 April.

for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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G(SD) 2-9-43 AGR 1 Ltr N112/9

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M.M.I.A. 13/10 SIGNALS

FROM LAEE 892020A

TO ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND 557 BOD

INFO 557 BOD RTC ICF BLU RTC ICF MMIA

56 AREA

GR60 BT

RESTRICTED FX 40732

SIGNED SACMED CITE FHORD (.) FIRST ADDRESSEE FOR G(SD), Q AND ORD SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR OO 3 SUB-DEPOT THIRD ADDRESSEE FOR COO SEVENTH ADDRESSEE FOR DHT (.) FIRST (.) FOLLOWING RELEASED RTC ICF EX 3 SUB-DEPOT 557 BOD (.) RIFLES NO 1 QTY 4000 R/NO A/21/49 Q(AE) 24/28 (.) SECOND (.) RAAC CONFIRM YOU ARE ARRANGING COLLECTION (.)

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BT

SENT HA 2157 B P K

RD NR 22 AT 09/0000 A AAA A// BG

SUBJECT: Breakdown of Rfts at RTC ICF CESANO SECRET

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
SD/45/1
9 March 45.

TO : Ministry of War.

FOR
INFORMATION: DMT 56 AREA
AFHQ FOR G-3 (Org) & G-1 (Br)
"F" FLU RTC ICF

Q/05/24

Reference Appendix "A" to our letter, S/G/29/43 of 3 Jan 45 revised 6 Feb now to all.

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2. This figure is to include reinforcements for auxiliary units to the Combat Groups. Appendix "A" to MMIA letter, S/G/29/43 of 3 Jan 45 revised on 6 Feb giving the breakdown of reinforcements has therefore been altered to allow for the greater commitment of medical and transport personnel.

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3. You are therefore requested to plan the holdings of reinforcements in the RTC in accordance with the following breakdown:

Arm	Total Hold
Infantry	6,350
Artillery	1,100
Field Engineers	450
Signals	400
Mechanical Engineers	200
Supply & Transport	400
Medical	200

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3. You are therefore requested to plan the holdings of reinforcements in the RTC in accordance with the following break-down:

Arm	Total Held
Infantry	8,350
Artillery	1,100
Field Engineers	450
Signals	400
Mechanical Engineers	200
Supply & Transport	400
Medical	200
Ordnance	20
Administration	130
TOTAL	11,250

X contd sheet 2/.. X

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(Sheet 1 omitted)

4. The Commandant of the R.T.C. will be responsible for deciding what proportion of the total figure for each arm shall be trained as specialists or tradesmen and for ensuring that the Combat Groups and Auxiliary Units are supplied with specialists, tradesmen and ordinary personnel according to their needs. He will also be responsible for keeping the Ministry of War informed of the situation and of anticipated future requirements.

tvs.

I. M. Ingledew.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Subje No.2 Italian G. . Coy. 3 May 45.

Ref: ZLGT(Q).

To: DAAG. 56 Area.
Copy to :-
ADCS 56 Area.
MMIA 3 District.
MMIA ROME.
G2 3 District.
O.C. No.2 Italian G.T. Coy.

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The following is the position with regard to the formation of the above Coy :-

1. PERSONNEL. Responsibility of MMIA.

2. TRANSPORT. The whole of the transport released to this Coy has been collected by this Unit and handed over to them.

3. G. 1098. Complete with the exception of the following items, which are not available, viz.:

Helmets steel D.R.		6
Stamps, steel for metal ¼" Figures 0 - 8.	sets.	1
Lamps, brazing 2 pint complete.		7
Sheets, ground, Mk. VIII.		342
Pick helves.		43
Bowls, hand.		10
Knives, cooks, 6".		10
Ladles, cooks, G.S.		10
Mugs, drinking, enamel, 1-pint.		342
Drawers, woollen.		180
Forks, N.S. Table, small.		280
Spoons, N.S. Desert.		342
Knives, table, G.S.		342
Boots, ankle.	pairs	127
Greatcoats, D.M.		295
Battledress Trousers.		60
Batteries, dry lamp electric.		5
Lamps, electric No.1.		3
Plant, sparking plug cleaner.		1
Plant, vulcaniser 110 v electric.		1
Compasses, prismatic Mk.III.		7
Watches, G.S. Mk.II.		4
Binoculars prism Mk.II.		7
Gauges, tyr pressure 5 - 90 lbs.		1
Tools repairing Schrader valve.		1
re-seating valve type Schrader No.7571.		1
Lifters valve spring, car size.		4
Extractors, screw 'EZYOUT' size 1-6.		1
Rollers edge wheel, 1½" x ½" milled Dunlop.		1

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Watches, G.S. Mk.II.		4
Binoculars prism Mk.II.		7
Gauges, tyr pressure 5 - 90 lbs.		1
Tools repairing Schrader valve.		1
re-seating valve type Schrader No.7571.		1
Lifters valve spring, car size.		4
Extractors, core 'EZYCUT' size 1-6.		1
Rollers edge wheel, 1½" x ¼" milled Dunlop.		1
Spanners, ring SAE - set of 6, 12 point ⅜" to 1"		1
set of 3 ⅝" to 11/16"		1
Ropes, towing - light Mk.II/L 15-ft.		5
medium Mk III/L.		65
Valve, tyre Schrader - tool valve converting.		1
Chests, T.F. - Painters.		1
Fitters.		9
Containers, portable, 1-gal.		45

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With the movement of the bulk of this Coy yesterday, may we presume that the responsibility of this Unit is now ended, and that, as in the case of No.1 Italian G.T. Coy, the stores outstanding to complete G 1098 will be the responsibility of the British Unit at Cessano.

(H.H. ADAMSON)
Major R.A.
O.C.(Br. Cadre) Italian Re-inforcement and Training Depot, AFRAGOLA.

Field.

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ARMY AGM C1136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 1

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
WZZ	253		

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A): Originator: Ord Bde A HQ. Date - Time of Origin: 4/3 1800A

Office Date Stamp: Q/05/24

For Action: Ord Depot Bari

TO: Q(AE) + DADOL Dump Rome area + ADOL RAAC + HQ MMSA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions: GR

Originator's No: DOS/1132 (Ord) Issue to RAAB for RTC ICF Foreign Marquee by Freight QM 12 (.) Release Serial Q(AE) T/1145 and QM 1/42145 (.) Foreign Postal Mail to DADOL Dump Rome Area (.) Send Urgently required

Fatt.

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
Signed: R Parsons	Signed:	

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

7 Mar. 1945

ORD (B)

RELEASE NOTE

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorized.

Item Kerosene 60 Single Qty 12

To whom released R.A.A.F. for RNZ AIR FORCE

Release No. G(AE) T/175

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Branch Note
NOT for Stock Note
- not to my request 10/3

Remarks

These are urgently required.

Special Instructions

From Bari - Consign fastest means to DADOS Dump Rome Area.

for Capt.

Copy to:- R.A.A.F.
RNZAF
RNZ EOP

Maj. GELARDI also shown Office's copy by Col NOAKES
Capt 8/3/45.

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COPY

Q/05/24

061508A

FROM : PENSOUTH MMIA LO

TO : RTC ICF - (Sent by MMIA Sigs)

INFO : MMIA : DISTHREE : 56 AREA : BRIT CADRE ITALIAN RFT CAMP AFRAGOLA.

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CONFIDENTIAL

MAIN PARTY NUMBER 2 ITALIAN GENERAL TRANSPORT COMPANY STRENGTH 6 OFFRS AND 160 ORs WITH 76 VEHS DEPARTS AFRAGOLA AM 7 MARCH (x) ETA CESANO 1845 HRS 7 MARCH (x) FOR DISTHREE (x) YOUR SD 727 OF 2 MARCH REFERS.

Precedence IMPORTANT

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SD DIST:

Action copy: SD/6
Q (OS)
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Rec'd Q/OS 8 Mar 44 (11:30 hrs)

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Spare.

Subject:- Personal Eqpt Combat Gps - Haversacks. file Q/OS/24

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/1
6 March 45.

O.C. B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.

Ref your AC/S/42 dated 20 Feb/45. on file Q/OS/1

Amendment No7 dated 7 Dec/44 to Normal Equipment List for an Italian Combat Group is attached in answer to your request that the Haversack be authorised as an item of personal equipment.

J. Greenwood.

F.J. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG.
M.M.I.A. 3310

Copy to:- DADOS B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.

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

Internal Memo.

FILE

To: S & T

From: Q/OS.

Ref: Q/OS/24

5 March/45.

6 X 3 ton lorries are requested tomorrow 6 March/45 to be available to move some 40 tons of Clothing and General Stores ex Rome to DADOS RTC ICF CESANO.

Officer and escort will report to this office at 0900 hours 6th for orders to contact the transport.

F.S. GREENWOOD, Major.

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Copy to:- O.C. BLU RTC ICF for DADOS.

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SIGNAL

DATE 5 1425 TIME A

FROM: M M I A

TO(FOR ACTION): O2E C M F

Q/05/82

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UNDER AUTHORITY O2I/MF/ATT/4659 N°7630678 CEL
S H A R P WAS DETAILED FOR TEMP ATT TO D A D O S H T C
ITALIAN COMBAT FORCES (.) HE HAS NOT REPORTED YET (.)
REQUEST YOU HASTEN AS NEED URGENT 3502

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION A Greenwood Major

COPY: O C B L U E T C I C F
FOR D A D O S

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H. 1150 A.

HQ MMTA

DADOS ELU RTC ICF

Q/OS/77

Restricted

Ref : your ORD/2I/20 of 11 and 20 Feb.

5.000 Italian Caps now awaiting your collection from Italian Clothing Depot I86 Via Principe Amedeo Rome. This confirms today's conversation Jeffery-Greenwood spoke.

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LNKE V LAEE NR15
QVR 5 AFHQ
FROM 031001A
TO RAAC
INFO 557 BOD - 56 AREA - BLU AAT RTC ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE
MMIA - 581 SCU
GR 146 ET

Q105/24.

RESTRICTED
SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQRD (.) FX36657 FIRST ADDRESSEE FOR GSD AND Q
AND ORD (.) SECOND ADDRESSEE FOR GOO (.) THIRD ADDRESSEE FOR DMT (.)
FIRST (.) FOLLOWING RELEASED TO RTC ICF EX 557 BOD (.) READ (A)
ITEM (B) QTY (C) Q(AE) AUTHY (D) R/NO (.)

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
RIFLES NO 4	24	25/77	A/23/106
BREN LMG	15	31/99	A/29164
TSMG	42	30/132	A/27/200
PISTOLS SIGNAL	3	22/54	A/20/82
BINOCULARS NO 2	23	80/106	A/54/163
COMPASSES PRISM	24	53/103	ES/300/148
MORTARS 3-IN	3	39/42	A/40/73
MINE DETECTORS POLISH NO 3	2	90/45	ES/310/74
MINE DETECTORS NO 4	2	91/11	ES/312/21
MINE DETECTORS AMERICAN	2	93/49	ES/311/86
WATCHES GS	4	55/153	ES/304/210
RIFLES TELESCOPIC C/W MK II SIGHTS	20	28/22	A/25/30
	1	32/20	A/56/25
RANGEFINDERS NO 2 MK VII	14	21/87	A/19/134
PISTOLS REV .38			

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SECOND (.) ISSUE AND DESPATCH C/O ADOS ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ET 031001A
SENT NR15 1121A DM AR K
RECD NR 15 02// 03/1121 A AAA E2

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Subject:- R.T.C. I.C.F.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

27 Feb 45.

A.D.O.S.
R.A.A.C.

This H.Q.'s copy of letter DOS/2017/3 (Ord 2) dated of 20 Feb/45 is passed to you for information in view of the substance of the last sentence added in ink. m/s.

F.S. Greenwood

F.S. GREENWOOD Major,
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Reinforcements.

Land Forces Sub Comm; A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/OS/24

21 Feb 45.

G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon
(for attention Reinforcements).

Ref conversation Chief Clerk to Capt. McCARTNEY-Major GREENWOOD spoke 26 Feb/45.

1. War establishment CM/732/1 for a British Liaison Unit with Reinforcement Training Centre, Italian Combat Forces provides for a W.O. Class I as B.O.W.O.

2. No B.O.W.O. has yet been appointed.

3. As the training centre is only very recently formed, it will be appreciated that D.A.D.O.S. is encountering a great deal of work and it is therefore requested that a B.O.W.O. be posted as soon as a suitable one can be found.

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F.S. GREENWOOD, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. / RTC. I.C.F.

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see file Q/OS/14/1

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SUBJECT: Mobile Bath Units.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
SD/15
25 Feb 45.

To: Ministry of War.

Q/05/24

Reference SD/15 of 24 Feb 45.

1. Please state if equipment could be found from Italian sources to form a sixth Mobile Bath Unit on the same WE CU/649/1. This WE is as passed to you with our S/S/29/26 of 24 December.

2. It is desired if possible to allot such a Unit to M.T.C., I.C.F. (TRIESTE).

tvm.

R.S.A. Groves-Rawlins
for Major General. Capt
M.M.I.A.

Copies to:
AQ
Q(AK)
Med
Ord
Spec Sec.

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SIGNAL

8/05/24

FROM: MMLA

DATE TIME

TO (FOR ACTION): FREEDOM

24 17 30 A

Q 7

RESTRICTED

FOR C/AS (.) SHORTAGE BB TROUSERS AT CESANO CONTINUES (.) MMIALO REPORTS NOW TEN THOUSAND BLOUSES WAITING TROUSERS (.) APPRECIATE ANY HELP ORD CAN GIVE IN PRODUCING BALANCED LOADS WHEN MT COLLECTS FROM NAPLES

PRECEDENCE ~~

AUTHENTICATION F T Mann

Copy:

Q03

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14/25

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10 x 50 = 500

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C O P Y

SUBJECT: Vehicle Demands - RTC ICF

ALLIED FORCE HQ
AMHQ/8110/4/Q(A2)

22 Feb 45

Rome Area Allied Command

Q/05/24

Ref your Q 136/3 dated 19 Feb 45.— N/T.

The vehicles in question have already been released as follows:-

VR/1056 dated 20 Jun 45 . No 3 District for 470 Field Hospital through 53 BLU.

VR/1218 dated 2 Feb 45 . No 3 District for 576 Fd Hospital through 52 BLU.

D.H. TOON Capt
for Major General G-4 (AR)

G-4 DISTRIBUTION (AR)

Ord
MTA
BLU RTC ICF

3500

Subject - Mess Kit.

MMIA.

Q/05/24

BLU out
RTCICF
CESANO

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21 Feb 45

1. Qt is requested that the following mess kit may be issued forthwith to RTCICF for the use of Patriots arriving within the next few days

Mess Tins	1,000
Forks	1,000
Spoons	1,000
Knives	1,000

2. Qt is understood that the men called up from Aquila will arrive equipped with mess kit.

3199

3. The first batch of patriots arrive 24 Feb - it is requested therefore that the equipment mentioned in para 1 may be made available immediately.

Q/ I understand British Equipment is NOT available Please confirm. WP

[signature]
Lt Col
for Major Ra
AA & QMG

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~~Mess Tins~~ ---- ~~1,000~~
~~Forks~~ ---- ~~4,000~~
~~Spoons~~ ---- ~~1,000~~
~~Knives~~ ---- ~~1,000~~

2. ~~It is understood that~~ The men called up from Apulia will arrive equipped with mess kit.

3/99

3. ~~Re first batch of patriots arrive~~ 24 Feb - it is requested therefore that the equipment mentioned in para 1 may be made available immediately

Q/ I understand British Equipment is NOT available Please confirm. WP

[signature]
A/ Major RA
DAA+QMG

2½/ If available can you authorise this issue as we cannot get enough British Equipment.

WP

22 Feb.

2,000 Sets released by AFHQ 21/2/45 - Major Poland informed.

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ARMY FORM 1188 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 1

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: A. F. H. Q signed SACMED FHQAE

Date-Time of Origin: 212207 A

— Office Date Stamp —

For Action

TO: ROME AREA

(W) For information (INFO)

BLU RTC ICF MMIA

Kept 8/10/44

—Message Instructions— | —GR—

Originator's No. FX 31350

RESTRICTED (.) Your GG 841 of 14 Feb (.) BLU RTC ICF state requested rifles on 16 Jan on indent No. 3 but NOT received by 20 Feb (.) Request you now make mutual arrangements for issues

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

SIGNED

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

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR		
Time cleared		

8/10/44 DADOS 22/2.

W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 188—Jan 1943—75M—8-43

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MEUP V ADOS NR 52 QVR 2

FROM ORD BRIT AFHQ 211815A

TO 2 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD

INFO HQ 557 BOD ::: ADOS RAAC :::

HQ MMIA ::: ELU RTC ICF

QQX GR-- BT

DOS/1411(ORD 1) (.) ISSUE TO FOURTH ADDRESSEE FOR RTC KF/2469

FORKS KF/3040 KNIVES KF/4746 SPOONS AA/5231 TINS MESS QTY 3500 EACH (.)

FIFTH ADDRESSEE WILL COLLECT EARLY (.) FOURTH ADDRESSEE

CONVERSATION GREENWOOD - STEVENSON REFERS

BT

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SUBJECT: Releses - RTC ICF Cesano. 2/05/24

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/12/1
21 February 1945.

TO : Ministry of War
RTC ICF Cesano.

N/T

1. Reference authorization notice AQ/HR-ITI/22 of 15 Feb. 1945.

2. Cancel item "paillasse covers - 2,000" in this authority as paillasses are released to RTC ICF Cesano by authority AQ/HR-ITI/21 of 14 Feb. 45.

flagged.

3/96

RTM WARSHAM, Major
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

RTMW/ag

Copy to:
Q/OS.

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D/2678 NH 6/21

Q/05/24

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LHCF [illegible] 330 3311 [illegible] CMA1/2
FROM MMIA LO S4 AREA 2217Z6A
TO MMIA LO BLD RTC ICT
IMP [illegible] MMIA
DCX 21
AO 137 . CONFIDENTIAL . DESPATCHED TO CESANO
DI MCRA FOR RTC ICT FOLLOWING MACCHIS WITH 50 SEDS
EACH 1822155 CMA 251337 CMA 259525 CMA 1316210 CMA 1136970 .
MMIA BEI MASH AO/ER III/23 AND SIGNAL NOV 696 EFETS
DT 2317Z6;-
DT 2315
SENT 2315 (JT) SBBB
HR 332/1 RECD 2326154 PJB MC

5 x 50 kilo = 250

210 good

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DA 805
20/2

SUBJECT :- Personal Eqpt. Combat Gps - Haversacks.

BLU RTC ICF
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) ROME
Ref AQ/5/42

9 Feb 45

LAND FORCES SUB COMM AC (MMIA)

Q/DS/24

1. It is noticed that the Haversack is not on the Personal Eqpt Table for issue to Combat Gp Personnel. It is requested that this item of eqpt be authorised.

2. At present the packing of personal eqpt on the man is exceedingly difficult without the Haversack for Toilet Articles, cleaning materials etc as laid down.

Major R.A.
DAA & QMG

3494

AMGG/raw

Internal
DADOS
FILE
FLOAT.

Q.

Haversacks are included in the Personal Eqpt Scale for Service but they have been omitted in the Scale for Combat Gp Personnel.

Lee Amendment.

Letter Q/DS/24 dated 27 Feb 45 AFHQ (MMB) 2nd

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SUBJECT :- Clothing - Caps F.S. Italian.

Q/05/24.

BLU RTC ICF.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) ROME.
Ref ORD/21/20

20 Feb 45.

DADOS MMIA. ✓

Confirming phone call to your office yesterday, (Major JEFFERY speaking), present stocks of Italian Caps held by RTC Storehouse are low, and will be negligible once the draft of 1200 leaving CESANO on 22 Feb has been equipped to scale.

It is known that 5000 are on the way from BARI, but owing to the fact that there are still approximately that number of recruits in the RTC not yet fully clothed and equipped, will you please confim that provision has been made to obtain further supplies in the near future, as otherwise we shall not be able to issue caps to fresh intakes.

MWJ/raw

Major M.W. JEFFERY.
DADOS.

3492

Internal.

DAA & QMG RTC ICF.
File
Float.

Major J Issued 22/2/45 — Only 2250 passed over from clothing depot Thus total only of 2250 + 3734 = 5984 rec'd by Major J. against total of 10000.

5000 now awaiting at Italian Store — Major Jeffery informed by phone 4/3/45. See Q/05/14 d. 4/3 enforce.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

(AF) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

19 Feb 1945

Q/05/24

CRD(B)

RELEASE NOTE

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorized.

Qty 500

Item Tents 190 lbs

To whom released MMLA for RTO ICF CESANO

Release No. (AF) T/165

3490

Remarks MMLA will arrange collection

Special Instructions From 557 BOD

Capt.,

for Brigadier, A.A.G.

COPY to:-

MMLA

AW. Permit must
2 18 Feb return

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(2)
Sir

URGENT

8/05/24

Major Head SYA

(Also phone - Capt. HOWARD of Q/AE @ AFHQ spoke)

500 Tents (180 lbs) for 18 Tel HS (1510 lbs)
A.T.C. CESANO.

These were not actually released (only Earmarked) when you phoned this a matter I have since been released.

Can be collected from (72nd) 554 BOD any time from next TUESDAY (20 FEB) onwards.

Please ring Capt. HOWARD @ Q/AE. AFHQ first thing tomorrow (Monday) a.m. to
(a) obtain Release Order No.
(b) state when exactly (from Tuesday onwards) the Tents will be collected.

J. Davidson
Lieut. 18/2/45 (1510 lbs)

3/18

Q (AE) T 165

Major Jackman
arranging
Collection 19/2

Release Note No. T/165 d 19 Feb. attached.

500

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Q/05/24

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 U.S. ARMY

Q. 136/3 SC/mv

SUBJECT: Vehicles - RTC ICF 19 Feb 45

TO : Ord

Reference this office letter Q 136/3 of 14. Feb 45.

1. Herewith AFHQ Q(AE) Vehicle Release Note VR/1428 of 18 Feb 45 forwarded for your attention :-

Serial	Qty	Description of Vehs	From
6003/10	22	M/Cycles Solo 500 cc Cl 1	6 Veh Gp BARI
6010/10	2	Cars Lt Utility 4 x 2 Cl 1	9 Veh Pk CAPUA
6050/00	2	Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS Cl 2 or 5	Ex Ret Candex Stock 408 RVP Rome
6200/00	32	Lorries 3 ton 4 x 2 GS Cl 2 or 5	" " "

2. It will be noted that the demand for cars 5 cwt 4 x 2 Qty 2 has not been met.

W. H. Hughes

W. H. HUGHES
Major
DA/MG

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission
AG (MMIA)
HLU RTC ICF c/o above

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MEUP V ADOS NR 34 QVR 2

FROM ORD BRIT AFHQ (ORD 1) 191400

TO 2 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD

INFO COO 557 BOD :: Q(AE) AFHQ :: HQ MMIA

QQX GR BT

DOS/1131(ORD 1) (.) RELEASE IS AUTHORISED TO MMIA FOR RTC ICF CESANO OF TENTS 180 LDS 500 (.) UNIT COLLECTING 20 FEB (.) RELEASE NUMBER 3487 ORD1/4187 AND Q(AE) T/165 REFER

BT

alt.

File WP 21/2

Q/05/24

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

32/19 3376

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR		MMIAQ RI

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN

DG 19;8·30

FROM (A) ORD (Br) ROME AREA

Q/OS/24

TO (FOR ACTION) DADOS MMIA ROME

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS	GR

TO (FOR INFORMATION) DADOS BLU RTC ICF

(REF. No.) OS/ 922 /954/1c

(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

REFERENCE OS/901/1000/954/1 DATED 17 AND CONVERSATION HEAD - CLEREHUGH PD ADOS RAAC INFORMS FROM 557 BOD THAT 15 x 3 LORRIES AND NOT 5 x 3 LORRIES AS PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED REQUIRED LIFT 10,000 BD SUITS PD YOU CONFIRMED YOU WILL ARRANGE TRANSPORT REQUIRED

3486 DADOS 19/2

Collection - Thaps Telecon Confirmed 21/2

RECEIVED RAAC H.Q.
D. 19 OCT 11
By

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE	THI OR TOR	Opr.
ORD (Br) G.4.	ORIGINATING SECTION: ORD (BRITISH)	TIME CLEARED	
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION: L. G. Cheeseman Lt. Col.		
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

33/19 3378

CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
			MMIA QJR

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 1819. 08.30

FROM (A) ORD (Br) ROME AREA

TO (FOR ACTION) DADOS MMIA ROME

TO (FOR INFORMATION) DADOS BLU RTC ICF

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS | GR

(REF. No.) OS/ 923 /954/IC

(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

DADOS 19/V

HEAD

CONVERSATION ~~GENERAL~~ - CLEREHUGH ON 17TH PD

YOU CONFIRMED YOU WILL ARRANGE 4 x 3 LORRIES 3 SUB DEPOT

557 BOD FOR COLLECTION QTY 1500 RIFLES RELEASE No FX 28180

CITE FHQAE DATED 16 FEB

3185

REC'D MIC
DATE 939/2
BY

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE	THI OR TOR	Opr.
ORD (Br) G.4.	ORIGINATING SECTION: ORD (BRITISH)		
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION: L.Co. Chefs. A.F.	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

6/18 51

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	No 2732		Q/05/24.

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN: 17 0415

FROM (A) ORD (Br) ROME AREA

TO (FOR ACTION) DADOS MMIA ROME

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS	GR

TO (FOR INFORMATION) DADOS HLU RTC TCF

(REF. No.) OS/961/1000/954/1 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

CONFIRMING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION CIERENGHI-GELARDI 1000 HRS TODAY PD

2 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD SAY 5 x 3 TON LOADS BATTLE DRESS AWAIT COLLECTION PD

PLEASE ARRANGE TRANSPORT

Collected
Major Gelardi
Certificate
3/11.

See RAAC (Gen) OS/922/954/1c dtd. 17/5

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LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE	THI OR TOR	Opr.
ORD (BR)	ORIGINATING SECTION: ORD (BRITISH) CHIEF	171755	
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION: CAPT. A. G. D. Adjutant General	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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MESSAGE FORM

27 1915 A

FROM: MMIA

TO: AFHQ FOR G-3 Org

INFO: JMT
BLU. TCF. CESANO for MACKAY.

REF: SI 2308

CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED

HAVE STUDIED IMPLICATIONS OF YOUR FX 28432 OF 16 FEB
AND HAVE TALKED WITH MACKAY (.) I AGREE THAT UNDER N O
CIRCUMSTANCES MUST TRG FACILITIES FOR 7800 BE SHARED
AMONG A GREATER NO OF PERSONNEL (.) WILL THEREFORE NEED
ADDITIONAL ACCOMODATION FOR APPROX 3000 PERSONNEL AND
WILL APPLY TO Q(A.) FOR TENTAGE (.) STRONGLY RECOMMEND
THAT A QUITE SEPARATE CAMP BE FORMED TEMP NORTH OF
B R A C C I A N O AND TWENTY MILES AWAY FROM TRG CENTRE
C E S A N O (.) MACKAY WILL SEE THAT TRG IS THEREBY N O T
INTERFERED WITH (.) CO-ORD WITH JMT

Sent with 6/A/21 d. 21 Feb to G.U. RTC

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PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATED G Dickey

INTERNAL: SPEC SEC
A/Q - MAJ GREGSON PLEASE SPEAK
Q(OS) ← (with copy of AFHQ cable referred to)

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COPY

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGCT

162100A

TO : MMIA

SECRET

FX 28432

COMBAT REINFORCEMENT DEPOT CESANO IS SUBJECT (.) PARA 1 (.) UNTIL TRAINING AND ACCOMODATION FACILITIES AT CESANO IMPROVE AND TO ENABLE TRAINING OF EXISTING REINFORCEMENTS TO CONTINUE UNHINDERED REINFORCEMENT HOLDING AT DEPOT WILL NOT EXCEED FIGURE OF 7800 FOR WHICH EXISTING ESTABLISHMENT AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE DESIGNED (.) PARA 2 (.) WEEKLY MOVEMENT OUT OF DEPOT WILL BE MEANS BY WHICH PRESENT NUMBERS WILL BE REDUCED TO FIGURE OF 7800 (.) THEREAFTER INTAKE OF REINFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WILL NOT EXCEED OUTPUT (.. PARA 3 (.) PERSONNEL ALREADY ARRANGED TO MOVE TO CESANO IN FUTURE WILL BE DIVERTED TO OTHER DEPOTS EXCEPT THOSE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN CEILING AT 7800 (.) LEVEL (.) PARA 4 (.) AS ACCOMODATIONS AND TRAINING FACILITIES INCREASE THE CEILING FIGURE OF THE DEPOT WILL BE PROGRESSIVELY RAISED UNTIL FINAL AUTHORISED CEILING OF 11250 REPRESENTING A 25 PER CENT REINFORCEMENT HOLDING IS REACHED (.) PARA 5 (.) THE NUMBER 4 HOLDING REGT WHICH YOU REQUESTED AUTHORITY TO FORM IN YOUR SS 627 OF 14 FEB WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED UNTIL CESANO DEPOT HAS TRAINED SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL TO WARRANT ITS FORMATION AS A HOLDING UNIT

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

WS

SD DIST.: SD/45/1
SD/45
A/Q
Spec Sec

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Major GELARDI

Capt SMETHURST
Lt. Col Commanding Sanjain.
Rutgers Farm.

S/HALVES not yet arrived.
@ 14 Feb 45.

R.T.C.

Delivered to Major Gelardi for Maj. Gen. Eddy
Sept. 17 Feb 45

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- Deficiencies in Equipments and Personnel Arms.

Ref : OS/1000/954/1A
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 16 Feb. 1945.

Q/05/24

To :- G.4. (Br)
R.A.A.C.

Reference Q 242 dated 14 Feb. 45 para 5.

1. A demand for the undermentioned items was received at 1640 hrs. yesterday 15 February 1945 from D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. R.T.C., I.C.F. and was met from area stocks.

2. The 800 Rifles against your Release GHR/76 was despatched at the same time.

Bowls Steel Tinned (In lieu of Mugs Drinking)	1,000
Rifles	8,00
Bayonets and Scabards	8,00
Sheets Ground	1,000
Forks	1,000 3479
Knives Table	1,000
Spoons Dessert	1,000

A demand for 1,000 Housewifes ~~was not available.~~ Could not be met from Dump Stocks

R. [illegible] Capt.
for Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. M.M.I.A.
D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. R.T.C., I.C.F.
Please submit by return demand for your further requirements to complete and maintain 1,000 complete sets.

[illegible]
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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** 2665 Register No. 59/D 47

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
			Q 105 24

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: BUD WNC XOP | Date-Time of Origin: 162000 A | Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO: RAAD

(W) For Information (INFO): AFHQ MEDITERRANEAN ✓

Message Instructions: 182 | GR

DA 105

Originator's No.

Q 702 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REF LAST CONVERSATION OF YOUR X 347 OF 14 (.)
RIFLE ENGINEER 16 JAN 44 TO BE AT EIGHT MILESTONE 2 (.) NO RELEASE RECEIVED
TO DRAW FROM RAAD STOCKS 2 all confirmed

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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.
Signed Maj RA	Signed		THI or TOR 171446A		
			Time cleared		

3632/GHQP 12-43

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LROF V MAED 269 IMPORTANT
[redacted] QVR1
FRGM MMIA LC 94 AREA 151700A
TO MMIA
INFO ADOS RAAC : DADOS, RTC ICF
GCY GR-- DT
AC 129 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) REF YOC/09/92 (.) 239 MIV TRUCK
DEPARTS TOMORROW WITH 13032 [redacted] CAPS (.) OFF IN CHARGE WILL REPORT
TO HEAD (.) ETA 16 FEB.
BT 151725A
SENT UR269 AM 84 K
RD 2113A F A K

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LROI V LAEE NR 24
OVR 2-3
FROM MMEA LC 54 AREA 151725
TO MMIA
INFO ADCS RAAC
DADOS RTC ICS
OCY CR -- ET
A2169 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) REF YOUR C/CS/52 (.) 232
DIV TRUCK DEPARTS TOMORROW WITH 12306, CPAC (.) OFF IN CHARGE WILL
REPORT TO HEAD (.) ETA 16 FEB
TMI 151725
SENT NR 24 D C DES

Spare copy
1983

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TO: Ministry of War (2) DATE: 15.Feb.45 45A

FROM: MMLA SERIAL NO. AG/~~SR-III/22~~

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE Q/05/24

1. Reference your..~~Note~~.....

2. Authority is granted to issue the u/n items from ~~ALLIED~~ SOURCES.

TO....~~REC. DEP. Cesena~~.....(~~SR-III~~) (Cpl. 2)

Stationed at..~~Cesena~~.....

Employed by.....

STOCK NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	~~Barrack Tables~~	50
	~~Typewriter Tables~~	10
	~~Barrack Stools~~	400
	~~NCO Lockers~~	30
	~~Chairs~~	130
	~~Palliasse Covers~~	~~2,000~~ 3475 Cancelled
	~~Great Coats~~	100

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Barrack Tables	50
Typewriter Tables	10
Barrack Stools	400
NCO Lockers	30
Chairs	130
~~Palliasse Covers~~	~~2,000~~ Cancelled 3478
Great Coats	100

3. Purpose of Issue.....

.....

4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exhange for items issued.

5. REMARKS. Above stocks available in Roma Depot C/OS to arrange

..delivery.....

DISTRIBUTION:
MMIA LO .....(2)
~~XXXXXXXX~~ C/OS
MMIA ORD
FILE

~~RTC IOP Cesena~~
Forma MMIA/ORD/2

For Major General
Military Mission
Italian Army

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SUBJECT:- Caps (Italian Military).

Brit Increment RTC ICF
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) ROME.
Ref ORD 21/7
11 Feb 45.

Q/05/24

To:- DADOS HQ MMIA.

Copy to :- ADOS RAAC
DAA & QMG - RTC ICF.

Ref conversation Major Head - Major Jeffery 10 Feb, and release of 5000 caps, Italian Military, from Italian Clothing Depot, 186, Via Principe Amedeo, Rome.

The quantity delivered and received here by the RTC Storehouse on the afternoon of 10 Feb 45 was 3,739.

Can the deficit balance of approx 1300 be made up please?

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MJW/RAW.

M.W. JEFFERY.
Major.
DADOS.

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ORR 2/3

70/14 45

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Q/OS/E 24

14 1840 A

ROME AREA

AFHQ

DA DOS.

157

BLU RTG ICP

ROMIA

RESTRICTED

OG 841

RESTRICTED (.) FOR Q FROM AF FARR (.) REFERENCE YOUR FX TWO FIVE NINE NINE THREE OF ONE THREE (.) BLU RTG ICP REPORT TWO ZERO ZERO REINFORCEMENTS LEFT OSIANO FOR LEGHAMO TODAY COMPLETE WITH PERSONAL EQUIPMENT LESS HOUSEHIVES AND PERSONAL ARMS (.) THREE THREE FIVE RIFLES AVAILABLE ROME POOL BUT NO REQUEST RECEIVED FROM BLU

atts

adv. copy sig mail FX 3135 of 21/2/45 after 3/7

Wchpl 22 Feb 45

PRIORITY

ORD
G-4 BRITISH

G-4 BRITISH

14/1645

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D/1734

Q 105/24

DADOS 14/2

AFHQ.

INF-FICT - Landforces S/E

LRKB V LAEE NR 22 QVR 2
FROM LAEE 131420A
TO ROME AREA
INFO MMIA
YOUR QG 790 OF 12 FEB (.) CONFIDENTIAL FX 25993 (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.)
ONE (.) ORD INSTRUCTED YOUR DEMANDS FOR RTC TO BE MET FULLEST POSSIBLE EXTENT AVAILABILITY (.) 3472
TWO (.) MUST STRESS IMPORTANCE OF COMPLETING REINFORCEMENTS FULLY TO APPROVED SCALE (.) IN THE EVENT OF ANY DRAFT LEAVING DEFICIENT YOU WILL INFORM THIS HQ IETMS AND QTYS SO THAT INVESTIGATION MAY BE MADE HERE
BT 131420A
SENT NR 22 1726A AJW BBB KKK
R-22-1726A J O E BB

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ROME AREA

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AREQ (AE)

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CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL (.) RUEP YOLR FX TWO TWO FIVE FOUR SEVEN TAMED SEVEN AND FX TWO THREE RUEA TT RUEE DATED FIVE (.) SPORES RELEASED UNDER YOUR (AE) SIGNALS FX EIGHT EIGHT ZERO NINER ZERO DATED TWO ZERO AND FX FIVE ONE FIVE FOUR FOUR DATED TWO SIX JAN (.) QQ INSTEAD OF SPORES NEARLY COMPLETE (.) NOT LOCATED IN COMPLETE SETS IN SPITE OF REQUESTS OF AIOS RAAC (.) CONSIDERABLE DEFICIENCIES IN TISSUES MADE INTELLIGENCE ONE HERO ZERO PER CENT CERVICOATS (.) DEFICIENCIES NOT FINALLY ASSESSABLE IN VIEW OF METHOD OF TISSUE WHOLE COLLECTION CONTROL AND SPORES SUPPLIED (.) WILL REPLY DETAILS (.) MEANWHILE IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPLY WITH YOUR FIRST QUOTED ORDER ALTERNATE MEDIUM DEFICIENCIES FROM AREA DUE NEEDS POSSIBLE

att. on file AG 15/1

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MESSAGE FORM

Q/05/124

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

12 1615 A

TO (FOR ACTION): RTC, ICF

REF NO: Q/05/55

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FOR OC BLU FOR DADOS (.) AFHQ SIGNAL REF FX22517 OF 7 FEB IS REPEATED FOR YOUR INFORMATION (.) QUOTE (.) ONE (.) REINFORCEMENTS FOR ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS WILL MOVE TO ARMY AREA COMPLETE WITH APPROVED SCALE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT INCLUDING FOUR BLANKETS GREATCOAT AND RIFLE (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.) TWO (.) EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE REINFORCEMENTS MOVING TO ARMY AREA HAVE MINIMUM OPPORTUNITY TO DISPOSE OF ANY ITEMS CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT (.) THREE (.) THIS INSTRUCTION WILL OPERATE UNTIL ITALIAN REINFORCEMENT ESTABLISHMENT SIMILAR TO BRITISH CRU ESTABLISHED IN ARMY AREA (.) UNQUOTE

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATED [redacted] 3470

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
10 1510 A

TO (FOR ACTION): 54 AREA

TO (FOR INFO): ADOS RAAC
ADOS RTC ICF

REF NO: Q/OS/52

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file Q/OS/21

FOR MMIA LO (.) FURTHER TO OUR SIGNAL AQ2697 DATED 29/1 DESPATCH FASTEST POSSIBLE MEANS TO RTC ICF C/O ADOS ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND CAPS QTY 5000 (.) FOR ADOS PLEASE NOTIFY ARRIVAL WHEN RTC WILL COLLECT IMMEDIATELY

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED [signature]
Major

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TO PESTONE

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ZONE AREA

15 ARMY GROUP

MAIN 5 ARMY

REAR 5 ARMY

5 ARMY (USE G-4 ON INC)

MMIA

GR 12S PY

FM2392Z

SUBJECT IS GREATCOATS FOR ALL BRITISH AND BRITISH MAINTAINED REINFORCEMENTS (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAF (.) FIRST (.)

ALL REINFORCEMENTS WILL BE SENT FORWARD IN POSSESSION GREATCOAT (.)

IF CORRECT SIZE NOT AVAILABLE NEAREST SIZE WILL BE ISSUED AND EXCHANGE

MADE LATER (.) IF NECESSARY GRADE III GREATCOAT WILL BE UTILIZED AS TEMPORARY MEASURE (.) SECOND (.) IF IT APPEARS AUT 3468

DRAFTS LIKELY TO HAVE DEFICIENT GREATCOATS NOTIFICATION WILL BE

SENT TO THIS HQ IMMEDIATLY (.) THIRD FOR ARMIES (.) YOU WILL

APPRECIATE POSSIBILITY OF DISPOSAL BY SOME INDIVIDUALS EN ROUTE (.)

IF U1157 SHOWS GREATCOATS ISSUED THIS IS MATTER FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY YOU (.) IN EVENT OF LARGE PROPORTION OF ANY DRAFT

ARRIVING DEFICIENT REQUEST YOU SEND FULL DETAILS SO THAT INVESTIGATIONS

MAY BE MADE

BT ØØ2ØØ4A

SENT NR 13 13/ØØ33A VG BDBD

ROT NR13 13/ØØ33A NRA MM

Dec Mtg Def

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COPY 29/2/1

DATE: 07 FEB. Q/OS/1

FROM : AFHQ

TO : ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

INFO : MMIA DISTONE DISTHREE MAIN EIGHTH ARMY REAR EIGHTH ARMY

15 ARMY GROUP FIFTH ARMY FOR G-4 BRIT INCR

CONFIDENTIAL.

FX 22517

ONE (*) ALL REINFORCEMENTS FOR ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS WILL MOVE TO ARMY AREA COMPLETE WITH APPROVED SCALE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT INCLUDING FOUR BLANKETS GREATCOAT AND RIFLE (*) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (*) TWO (*) EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE REINFORCEMENTS MOVING TO ARMY AREA HAVE MINIMUM OPPORTUNITY TO DISPOSE OF ANY ITEMS CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT (*) THREE (*) THIS INSTRUCTION WILL OPERATE UNTIL ITALIAN REINFORCEMENT ESTABLISHMENT SIMILAR TO BRITISH CRU ESTABLISHED IN ARMY AREA

Precedence -

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Action copy: S/sec.
SD/45
AQ (2)

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Extract to Dr Dos @ RTC re Q/OS/24 — per file Q/OS/24

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Major Head / Please act on this and ensure R.T.C is informed. ~~not~~ This will mean more equipment needed ?

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File
Q/OS/1

Major Head

Sir

Message from Lord PIDSLEY
11 Feb 45 (1715 hrs) :—

Will you please take action
on attd. copy AFHQ signal FX 22514
d. 9 Feb. (original with "SJ")

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J Hpl. 11 Feb 45

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2/05/24

DADOS

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ORD (Br) ROME AMIA

GO 2 SUB DEPOT 557 ROD

DADOS AMIA - RTC ICF

OO 822 1000/954/1

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FOLLOWING ATHY RECEIVED FROM GAF FD ADDRESSED AMIA
REPEATED ROME A-NA FD QUOTE FD CONFIDENTIAL SUBJECT
IS CLOTHING FOR REINFORCEMENT ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS . TX91554
SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE . AUTHORITY GIVEN FOR ADDITIONAL 6000
SETS CLOTHING INCLUDING BOOTS AND BLANKETS TO BE DRAWN FOR
RTC . THIS ON ONE OCCASION ONLY .
CALLING HERAINS AT 5000 UNQUOTE FD REQUEST Y 3465 Y
AVAILABILITY DATE READY COLLECTION FD UNIT WILL COLLECT
FD PLEASE ADVISE MAIN DISABILITIES

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ROUTINE

ORD (Br) ORDNANCE(BRITISH)

281360

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FROM LARE 2600244

TO M M I A

INFO ROME AREA

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CONFIDENTIAL SUBJECT IS CLOTHING FOR REINFORCEMENT ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS (.) (FX31544 SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.)) AUTHORITY GIVEN FOR ADDITIONAL 6000 SETS CLOTHING INCLUDING BOOTS AND BLANKETS TO BE DRAWN FOR E T O (.) THIS ON ONE OCCASION ONLY (.) CEILING REMAINS AT 5000 (.).

ET 2600244

SENT NR 6 0452 EM D K

RECD NR 6 26/0452 A AAA AR K CESANO

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See Capt. Starlick

S I G N A L

FROM M M I A 16 [illegible] A

TO MINISTRY OF WAR
BLU RTC ICF

INFO RAAC FOR ORD (BR)
NO 2 SUB DEPOT 537 BOD
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

SS 637

Q/105/24

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED

FOR MINISTRY OF WAR (.) PLEASE PLACE ONE PLATOON 30 VEHICLES OF NO 1 G T COMPANY UNDER ORDERS OF BRITISH LIAISON UNIT AT RTC ICF UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FOR PURPOSE OF COLLECTING STORES FROM N A P L E S FOR C E S A N O (.) PLATOON WILL INCLUDE 15 VEHICLES REFERRED TO IN OUR S D 2288 OF 15 FEB (.) PLATOON COMMANDER WILL REPORT EARLIEST TO MAJOR G E L A R D I AT C E S A N O FOR INSTRUCTIONS (.) VEHICLES WILL CONTINUE TO BE BASED ON R O M E (.) FOR B L U R T C I C F (.) PLEASE SIGNAL NO 2 SUB DEPOT 557 B O D E T A OF EACH CONVOY WITH INDICATION OF WHAT STORES ARE REQUIRED TO BE LOADED ON THAT CONVOY INFO PENSOUTH FOR M M I A L O WHO WILL ARRANGE FOR STAYING AT A F R A G O L A (.) D A D O S AT R T C I C F WILL INFORM ORDNANCE R A A C WHAT STORES SHOULD BE SENT BY RAIL

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED [illegible]
Capt.

INTERNAL:
MOV MMIA
Q(OS)
S/G/29/26

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

4/17 2232

CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR		

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 16

FROM (A) ORD (Br) ROME AREA

TO (FOR ACTION) AC (MEA) ROME ✓ 2/05/24.

TO (FOR INFORMATION) DADOS ELU RTC ICF 2 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR

(REF. No.) OS/ 883/1000/954/1 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

ACCOMMODATION STORES BASED ON 10,000 MEN AWAITING COLLECTION 3rd ADDRESSEE PD ESTIMATE 33 x 3 LORRIES REQUIRED PD REQUEST CONFIRMATION YOU WILL ARRANGE PD 3rd ADDRESSEE 2/JOB/1000/954/1 OF 30 JAN REFERS

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LOCAL DISTRIBUTION

ORD (Br)
G-4 RAAC

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

ORIGINATING SECTION: ORD (BRITISH)

A. G. AUTHENTICATION: J. E. CHEEK CAPT. A. G. D. Adjutant General

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

THI OR TOR 161808

TIME CLEARED

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FROM: 2 S/D 557 EOD

TO : MMIA

161700A

2/JOB/124/80 att.

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SD/2208 OF 15 (.) NOTED 15 LORRIES WILL COLLECT BLANKETS 16/2 OFF IV 477367 (.) ADDITIONAL 40 x 3 TON LORRIES NECESSARY TO COLLECT BLANKETS IV 480382 QTY 12000 - IV 480383 QTY 26000 - AND IV 491140 QTY 14000

12,000
26,000
14,000
52,000

WS

SD DIST.: SD/61 (Action Copy)
Q (OS)
S/Sec

Lorries not available. Can rail be arranged?

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S I G N A L

15 Feb 1 . A

Q/OS/24.

FROM: MMLA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

INFO: OC 2 SUB-DEPOT 557 BOD
IGAAC
TLU RTC ICF
3 DISTRICT FOR MMLA LO
PETSOUTH FOR MMLA LO

REF : SD 2288

RESTRICTED

DESPATCH 15 LORRIES OF NO 1 GT COMPANY 17 EFB TO NAPLES STAGING ATRACOIA NIGHT 17/18 FEB (.) LORRIES WILL REPORT AT 0900 HRS 18 FEB TO NO 2 SUB-DEPOT 557 BOD TO LOAD 11,750 BLANKETS FOR RTC ICF (.) VEHICLES WILL RETURN TO CESANO EARLIEST (.) VEHICLES WILL MOVE IN TWO SEPARATE PARTIES (.) FOR RAAC (.) YOUR OS/791/1000/954/1 OF 12 FEB REFERS

loaned to Maj. Dobbs 14 Feb 45

PRECEDENCE : IMPORTANT TO ALL

ABBREVIATED :

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Via Messina

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Maximum anticipated output of reinforcements from R&C 100 is 3600 per month.

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MMIA PLEASE PASS ALL INFO. ADDRESSEES

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Q/05/24

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ROME AREA

AFHQ

INFO- MMIA BLU MTO TOP

GG 833

SECRET

SECRET X FOR Q(AE) X REFERENCE YOUR NINE ONE NINE THREE SLANT ONE OF TEN FEB X ESTIMATED ONE THOUSAND RIFLES REQUIRED WEEKLY RISING TO ONE TWO FIVE ZERO WEEKLY TO EQUIP REINFORCEMENTS GOING FORWARD FROM CESANO X PRESENT HOLDINGS CESANO NIL X PRESENT HOLDING ROME POOL NINE FIVE ZERO APPROX X RELEASING EIGHT ZERO ZERO RIFLES FORTHWITH TO EQUIP NEXT DRAFT X REQUEST YOU RELEASE ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO RIFLES FORTHWITH AND ONE THOUSAND PER WEEK SUBSEQUENTLY X THESE REQUESTS TO COVER REINFORCEMENTS EX CESANO AND NORMAL REQUIREMENTS ROME AREA

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PRIORITY

Gen. BR

Gen. BRITISH

Ord

(21,2)

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LRKB V MEDY P P NR184/185
QTHP
FROM MALTA LO NAPLES 151030A FCB
TO MALTA FOR DADT
INFO MALTA FOR DADOS
ZFX ET

8/05/24

8998-STN /15/M RESTRICTED (.) DESPATCHED ROME A.M. TODAY ETAT
626 RE. 155763
AND TRAILER RE. 8873 LOADED 2000 SHELTER HALVES (.) REPORTING TO PARCO
[redacted] AMICONE FOR ONWARD INSTRUCTIONS (.)
BT 151030A

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SIGNAL

Q105/24

FROM: MEXA

TO (FOR ACTION): FREEDOM

DATE TIME

15 0830A

MX QOS/67.

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FOR Q/AE (.) APPRECIATE FULLY ALL DIFFICULTIES BUT LIAISON OFFICER CESANO COMBAT RIFLE DEPOT REPORTS ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTY LORRY LOADS OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT HAVE BEEN DRAWN FROM 557 BOD BUT RESULTANT COMPLETE RPT COMPLETE SETS OF CLOTHING AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT IS NEGLIGABLE (.) THIS REPORTED THROUGH ORD CHANNELS BUT REQUEST ORD ISSUE IN BALANCED LOTS AS FAR AS PROVISION DIFFICULTIES PERMIT

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION F. F Norgy CJ

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See Q3/10041/45 RAAC
d. 10 Jul. from RAAC
to 25D 58/80

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File herein

TO: Ministry of War (2) DATE: 15 Feb 45 26

FROM: MMIA SERIAL NO. AQ/ Br-St/23

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

1. Reference your ~~None~~.....

2. Authority is granted to issue the u/n items from ~~ALLIED~~ ITALIAN SOURCES.

TO.... ~~PRG IAF Genoa~~ .....(US-WAR) (Ord. 2)

Stationed at.. ~~Genoa~~.....

Employed by.....

STOCK NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	Double Tiered Beds	5,000 Earl Genio Depot
	Mess Tables	20

Branch Note.

Sig. No.	Despatched	Qty (Beds)
AQ 134	20 FEB.	250
AQ 139	21 "	300
AQ 153	24 "	500
AQ/202	29 MAR	2000 *
AQ/252	26 APR.	1000.

* equivalent of 2000 D/T beds. done by 17/4

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see Signal Nov 696 d 14 Feb.

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ITEM NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	Double Tiered Beds	5,000 Bari Genio Depot
	Mess Tables	20

Branch Note

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AQ 153	24 "	500
AQ 202	29 MAR	2000 *
AQ 252	26 APR.	1000.

*equivalent of 2000 D/T beds.

see Sig/Cmd 6/6 & 14 Feb.

done 4/7/44

(Rail Bird part sire)

Note: Major HEAD 20 Feb 44

3. Purpose of issue.....(Rail Bird part sire).....Note: Major HEAD 20 Feb 44

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4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm. Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exhange for items issued.

5. REMARKS. Above stocks available in Bari Depots. C/OS to arrange .....delivery.....

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C/OS
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For Major General
Military Mission
Italian Army

RHC IGP Cesano

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FROM: U N I A

TO: MEXICO. ROMA 10 M. ARIM.

(INFO) ARIT CHIEF BERNE. TOKIO 10 NEW YORK NUMP.

NUMBER 696.

CONFIDENTIAL.

3000 DOUBLE TIER FREE AMERICAN 200 TONS TO BE LOADED DUE PORT CHICAGO DE ROSA MONTHLY (.) ADVISE ACTUAL VESSELS.

Auth: Mr Rice
No. NA/BR-IT/23
d. 15 Jul. 45 mfm.

SECRET

(01). -
Ufficio Trasporti.

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TO: MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

DATE 14 Feb. 45

FROM: MMIA

SERIAL NO. AQ BR-ITI/21

8/05/24

AUTHORIZATION NOTICE

1. Reference Your Indent N. 482/C of 5/2/45 & Indent N. 02/001/PA of 8/1/45 & M of W ltr. 108/C of 12/1/45.
2. Authority is granted to issue the u/n items from ~~ALLIED~~ ITALIAN SOURCES.

TO Centro Addestramento Truppe Italiano (RTO ICF).

Stationed at Cesano (BR-ITI) (Cat. 2)

Employed by

STOCK NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	Beds	620
	Paillasse Cases	8,200
	Cot for Officers	30
	Woolfilled Mattresses	30

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Vide Memo 14/7

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STOCK NO.	STANDARD NOMENCLATURE	AMOUNT
	Beds	320
	Paillasse Cases	3,200
	Cot for Officers	30
	Woolfilled Mattresses	30

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3. Purpose of issue .....

4. In compliance with para. 5 MMIA Adm Inst. No. 1, items will be withdrawn in exchange for items issued.

5. REMARKS .....

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MMIA LO Bari ..... (2)
MMIA ORD
FILE

MMIA LO Naples
C/OS. ——

Pro Forma MMIA ORD 2

For Major General
Military Mission Italian Army

A. C. Nov. 1944

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NORTH AFRICA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

Q 242

14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Deficiencies in Equipment and Personal Arms - MTO ZOF OZRANO

TO : ELU MTO ZOF

This Headquarters Memorandum dated 12 February 1945 on the above subject is cancelled. The following instructions will be substituted.

1. All demands for Italian MTO will be made through ADOS, Rome Area Allied Command.

2. OZRANO Station will merely constitute a collecting agency - all follow up's or demands will be responsibility of ADOS, Rome Area Allied Command.

3. On receipt OZRANO Station will be responsible for notifying ADOS Rome Area Allied Command of quantities of goods collected as against outstanding demands and when such collections are effected.

4. ADOS Rome Area Allied Command will forthwith make up stocks at OZRANO Station to 1000 complete sets of equipment or notify G-4 (Air) of any inevitable deficiencies in this number. This stock will be kept up until the full amount of equipment is collected under AFHQ signal releasing 20,000 sets and which are now in course of collection.

5. No reinforcements will be sent from OZRANO Station with deficiencies of equipment unless ADOS Rome Area Allied Command has first been contacted with a view to supplying. Outstanding deficiencies of all equipment and personal arms/weapons will be referred to the Staff of this Headquarters at the same time as notification is sent to ADOS.

R.H. CAMERON
Lt-Col
AA & QMC

Copy to: Deputy Commander
DA&QMG
Cond
MMIA

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SUBJECT:- Weapons for Training purposes.

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B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm.
AC (MMIA) ROME.
Ref. ORD/24/1.
10 Feb 45.

To:- D.A.D.O.S. H.Q. MMIA (ROME).

Copy to:- A.D.O.S.
R.A.A.C.
Brit Trg Inc R.T.C. (Major Price).

Among stores released through D.M.T. channels to the British Training Increment of R.T.C. I.C.F, the following weapons were examined by armourers and found to be unserviceable and beyond local repair:-

2 in Mortars	-	Qty 10.
3 in Mortars	-	" 3
PIATS	-	" 26

As these are held against authorised Equipment List as at Appx A to DMT/88/4/MT1 dated 2 Feb 45 and are essential for training purposes, may action be taken to have them replaced.

The stores were collected within the past few days from 56 B.L.U. ex Mantua Division.

A.F.G. 1043 is attached.

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Major M.W.JEFFERY
D.A.D.O.S.

MJW/RAW.

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Major M.W.JEFFERY
D.A.D.O.S.

MJW/RAW.

Rail
hundred bacon 6/10#3 for application
to be forwarded DMT
15/7
Vide beans

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ROAF ATOA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Ref : 08/1000/954/1
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: /0 Feb. 1945.

Subject:- Clothing and Equipment - R.T.C., I.C.F.

To :- O.C.
2 Sub Depot 557 BOD.

Reference my 08/1000/957/1 of 20 Jan. '45.

1. My letter a/m asked for availabilities of Clothing and necessaries for the R.T.C., I.C.F. to be notified in complete sets, eg. 2000 or 3000 but so far stores are arriving in Group lots, ie., boots, socks etc. with the consequence that reinforcements are going forward incompletely equipped.

2. It is very necessary to have complete sets collected at any one time (a) in order that every reinforcements may be sent forward fully clothed and equipped to scale, and (b) on account of limited transport available for clothing stores and the inevitable time lag between collections of stores from Base.

3. To give effect to this arrangement it is suggested that no more than 2000 complete sets be bulked for issue at any one time. This would enable an estimated 25 vehicles to be sufficient for the collection of an adequate number of sets at any one turn round.

4. It is urged most strongly that the above be strictly adhered to in order to prevent a repetition of the distressing and unfortunate conditions mentioned in para 1.

Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

Copy to:- D.D.O.S. No. 2 District
G.4. (Br) R.A.A.C.
D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. R.T.C., I.C.F.
D.A.D.O.S., HQ. M.M.I.A.

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SC/mv

9 Feb 45

ROME AREA ALLIED CHARGED
AFO No 794, U.S. Army

G. 212

SUBJECT: Bicycles

TO : ROME Liaison Officer
Italian Reinforcement Depot
CMSAFHQ

1. The enclosed copies of letter No AFHQ/3078/Q(AB) of 5 Feb 45 give authority for the issue of 23 bicycles to the Italian Reinforcement Depot CMSAFHQ.

2. Will you please arrange for the Reinforcement Depot to submit an indent through normal channels to AD03 this HQ. Copy of AFHQ authority should be attached to the indent.

W. H. Hughes
W. H. HUGHES
Major
DADOS

Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission ROME
Civil

less encl.

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Subject: Circulars and Instructions

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/OS/24

8 Feb 45.

APOS RAAC

1. Reference Brit Increment RTC ICF letter Ord 1/5 dated 4 Feb, copy to you.

2. It would be appreciated if you could send along copies of your own circulars and any other relevant matters.

3. AFHQ are being asked for copies of D.O.S. Circulars.

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

AJH/wk

Copy to DADOS RTC ICF

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

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Subject:- P.T. Clothing.

Ref : OS/1000/954/1
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 7 Feb. 1945.

To :- D.A.D.O.S.
AC (MMIA) Rome.

Q/05/24.

1. The attached letter from D.A.D.O.S. Brit. Increment RTC, ICF is forwarded as the subject is one of policy rather than normal supply.

Lt. Col.
D.D.S.
3447

Copy to:- D.A.D.O.S. Brit Increment RTC., ICF.
Matters of policy effecting Ordnance services other than normal supply procedure should be taken up direct with MMIA. It would be appreciated if a copy was passed to this office.

Auth: McVie AQ/BR.1T1/31 of 12 Mar 44/45

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SUBJECT:- Ft Clothing

Brit Increment RTC ICF
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) RCME
Ref ORD 21/1
5 Feb. 1945.

ADOS RAAC

1. The Trg Staff (Brit Increment) of RTC ICF have approached me regarding the possibility of acquiring a suitable pool of clothing for FT.

2. This pool of 2,000 sets would be held centrally for the use of Italian recruits and trainees.

3. Would you advise me whether suitable kit can be authorised. It is suggested that a set should somprise:-

Shoes canvas, rubber soled	- 1 pr
Shorts, Gym	- 1 pr
Vests, Gym	- 1 pr

or alternative garments such as KD Shorts and Shirts unserviceable for normal wear, but possibly suitable for this purpose if washed and patched.

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M.W. JEFFERY
Maj.
DADOS

MWJ/ell

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MI14 OFFICE INSTRUCTION NO. 65

Q/OS/24

Comm with RTC ICF

1. All correspondence emanating from this HQ intended for RTC ICF should be addressed:-

OC, B.L.U.,
R.T.C., I.C.F.
CESANO

with any sub-addressee if required, e.g. "for MI14 LO" or "DADOS" etc.

2. This procedure will be followed until a number has been allotted to the BLU, when "RTC, ICF" will be omitted from the address.

7 Feb 45

Lt.-Col.
General Staff.

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DISTRIBUTION:

All Branches and Services, MI1.

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MESSAGE FORM

Q/05/21

FROM: MMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

05 1105 A

TO (FOR ACTION): RTC ICF

TO (FOR INFO): 10 TRAINING TEAM RA, ICF

REF NO: Q/05/41

RESTRICTED

TRUCK SUPPLIED BY RTC TO 10 TRAINING TEAM HAS BROKEN CRANKSHAFT (.)

RTC PROVIDE SUBSTITUTE AND 10 TRAINING TEAM TO RETURN VEHICLE SO THAT

REPLACEMENT CAN SUBSEQUENTLY BE ISSUED TO RTC

PRECEDENCE Important

AUTHENTICATED R Field
Lt Col Inf

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(RESTRICTED)

Q/05/41
To RTC ICF. Copy to 10 Training Team RA, ICF. 16a

Truck supplied ~~to~~ by RTC to 10 Training Team has broken crankshaft. RTC provide substitute and to 10 Training Team & return vehicle so that replacement can subsequently be issued by R.T.C.

Shed Major HERD.
Lt. Col. RIDSLEY.
H Sidney.

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F P R
R A. J
J I

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Admin. Labour.

Fuch Lehmann ⊙ Dehn - Cohen. Pri-Pri-or

Bate - Pte.

ALLEGATO "B" alla lettera S/AQ/5
del 3 ottobre 1944

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Dal Comando Centro Addestramento Cesano — n. di prot. — del

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz.Gener.le Servizi Comm/to Militare - Div.Caserm.Comb.
= P. M. 3800 =

AQ/BR-Ltl/21

OGGETTO: Casermaggio e Combustibili.

1. per la distribuzione al (reparto) Centro Addestramento Truppe Italiane Combattimento
2. Forza presente oscillante sui 7.000 uomini — Forza autorizzata
3. Attuale dislocazione Cesano
4. Data di movimento (prevista) -
5. Nuova dislocazione -
6. Attualmente in servizio presso -
7. Destinato a prestare servizio presso -
8. Giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti subito
9. Data dell'ultima richiesta -
10. Indicare numero e data di richieste precedenti per le quali è stata concessa l'autorizzazione ma che la distribuzione non è avvenuta in parte
11. Osservazioni e particolari informativi servono per la sistemazione della giacitura degli ufficiali, sottufficiali e truppa in forza al Centro
12. Nota : riempire la colonna 1 e 2 soltanto. Le colonne 3 e 4 servono per il Ministero della Guerra.

DESCRIZIONE	Numero categorico	Quantità richiesta	Disponibili nei magazzini Italiani	Richieste di provenienza Alleata
1	2	3	4	3542
Lettini o brande con telo		620	620	
Fodere pagliericci		8200	8200	

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5. Nuova classificazione -

6. Attualmente in servizio presso -

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DESCRIZIONE	Numero categorico	Quantità richiesta	Disponibili nei magazzini Italiani	Richieste di provenienza Alleata
1	2	3	4	5
Lettini o brande con telo		620	620	
Fodere pagliericci		8200	8200	

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMM/TO MILITARE
Divisione Casermaggio e Comb.

N. 482/c di prot. P.M.3800, -5 FEB 1945

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.- (MMIA)
ROMA

Si richiede l'autorizzazione per la distribuzione degli oggetti elencati nella colonna 4, paragrafo 12, di cui sopra.

p. IL MINISTRO

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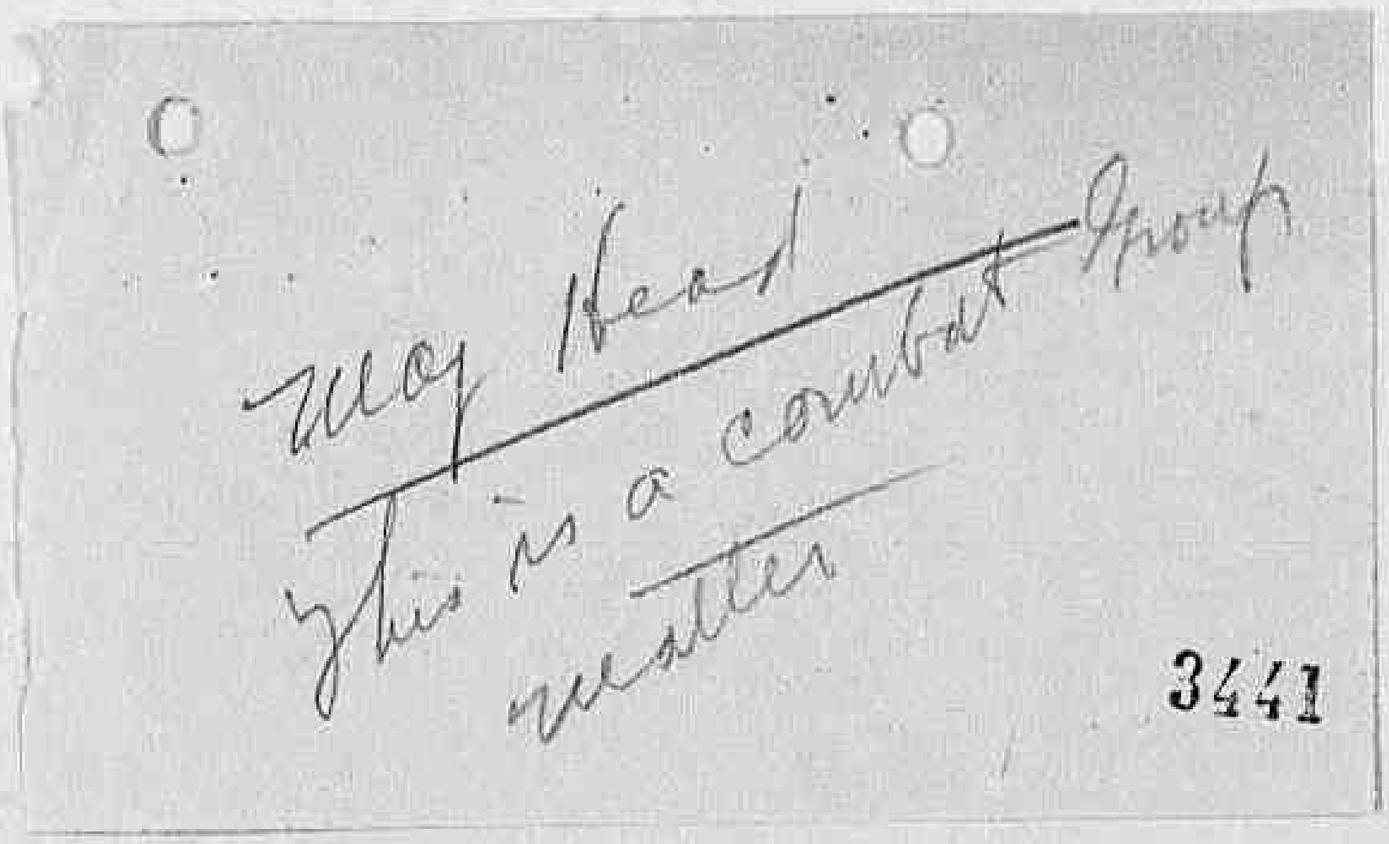

ALLEGATO "B" alla lettera S/AQ/5
del 3 ottobre 1944

Dal Comando Gruppo di Combatt. "Piceno" n. di prot. 02/001/F.A. del 8 gennaio 1945

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz.Gener.le Servizi Comm/to Militare - Div.Caserm.Comb.
= F. M. 3800 =

OGGETTO: Casermaggio e Combustibili.

1. per la distribuzione al (reparto) Centro Addestramento per truppe Italiane di Combattimento.
2. Forza presente — Forza autorizzata
3. Attuale dislocazione Martina Franca (Taranto)
4. Data di movimento (prevista) 10 gennaio 1945
5. Nuova dislocazione Cesano di Roma
6. Attualmente in servizio presso
7. Destinato a prestare servizio presso
8. Giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti al più presto
9. Data dell'ultima richiesta ==
10. Indicare numero e data di richieste precedenti per le quali è stata concessa l'autorizzazione ma che la distribuzione non è avvenuta in parte ==
11. Osservazioni e particolari informativi ==
12. Nota : riempire la colonna 1 e 2 soltanto. Le colonne 3 e 4 servono per il Ministero della Guerra.

DESCRIZIONE	Numero categorico	Quantità richiesta	Disponibili nei magazzini Italiani	Richieste di provenienza Alleata
1	2	3	4	5
Lettini per ufficiali	cot for off.	30	30	
comodini da notte	night table	30	=	
materassi con lana	woolfelled mattress	30	30	
capezzali con lana	" pillow	30	30	
lenzuola di cotone	sheets cotton	120	=	

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Movimento (prevista) 10 gennaio 1945

12 GEN. 1945

5. Nuova dislocazione **Cesano di Roma**

6. Attualmente in servizio presso

7. Destinato a prestare servizio presso

8. Giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti **al più presto**

9. Data dell'ultima richiesta ==

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11 Osservazioni e particolari informativi ==

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comodini da notte	night table	30	=	
materassi con lana	wool filled mattress	30	30	
capezzali con lana	" pillow	30	30	
lenzuola di cotone	sheets cotton	120	=	
federe cotone per guanciali	cases for bolsters	60	60	
coperte casermaggio grandi	blankets large	60	30	
sedie per camere ufficiali	seats for officers room	30		
tavolini per camere ufficiali	table for officers room	30		
armadi o comò	cupboards or chests of drawers	30		
tavoli per mensa	mess table	6		
tavoli scrittoio a due cassetti	writing table with two drawers	25		
tavolini per macchine da scrivere	typewriter table	20		
sedie con fondo di legno per uffici	wooden chairs for offices	40		
armadi per carteggio	filing cases	6		
attaccapanni di legno	clothes hangers wood fitted	10		

Category 2nd Bri Tk
1x64 off. 538 o.r.
as at 24 Dec

IL CAPO DEI FORIERI DI ALLOGGIAMENTO
F° Cap. A. Cuzelia

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
Divisione Casermaggio e Combustibili
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N° 108/C di prot. P.M. 3800, li 12 GEN 1945

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)

R O M A

14. Si richiede l'autorizzazione per la distribuzione degli oggetti elencati nella colonna 4, paragrafo 12, di cui sopra.=

Si fa presente che in luogo dei lettini richiesti saranno date altrettante brande.=

p. IL DIRETTORE GENERALE
L'ISPETTORE DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISS/TO
(Col.ff.g.s.Pietro Basile)

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SUBJECT :- Circulars and Instructions

Brit Increment RTC ICF
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm
AC (MMIA) ROME
Ref ORD 1/5

4 Feb 45

DADOS Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA) ROME

As this office is now functioning, but as yet completely deficient of any past or current Circulars and Instructions eminating from Ord Directorates, may arrangements be made so that I can be provided with copies of "back numbers" and kept posted for any future ones published.

MWJ/ell

M.W. JEFFERY
Maj
DADOS

Copy to :- ADOS RAAC

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Subject: Clothing and Equipment Gruppi Reinforcements

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

2 Feb 45.

Commanding General,
Rome Area Allied Command.

Copy of AFHQ signal FX18057 dated 30 Jan 45 forwarded for information.

A. J. MEAD, Major,
for Major General,
L. M. I. A.

AJH/wk

Copy to ADOS RAAC

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

File 12

2/05/2[illegible]

DATE TIME

01 [illegible] A

FROM: NMLA

TO:(ACTION) 54 AREA DISTRICT ETC ICF.

QDS/83 RESTRICTED

FOR NMLA LO (*) SUBJECT IS EQUIPMENT OF BRITIS SERVICE RFTS

IN TRANI/AFRAGOLA (*) CLOTHING ETC WILL BE DRAWN AS REQUIRED

FROM 230/227 AIV SUB DEPOTS (*) RFTS WHO ARE IN TRANSIT THRO

TRANI OR AFRAGOLA WITH DESTINATION CESANO COMBAT RFTS DEPOT

WILL BE CLOTHED IN CESANO AND NOT RFT NOT AT TRANI/AFRAGOLA

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATED _____

Inf.Dist.

Q/AE
ORD
G.

Cesano

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SUBJECT : Supply of Arms to RTC, ICF.

D.M.T. A.F.H.Q. G.M.F.

Tel : 11656

DMT/GS/h/MT.2

30 Jan 45

Q/05/24

DADOS

31/V

Q(AE) AFHQ.

Copy Land Forces Sub Commission (MILA).
Rft Trg Centre, Italian Combat Forces.

Ref your AFHQ/9193/1/Q(AE) dated 24 Jan 45.

1. It is agreed that RTC, ICF should be supplied with a small pool of rifles and a corresponding qty of other small arms for trg purposes.

2. The items released under your Releases No Q(AE) 31/78, 30/99 and 25/56 dated 25 Jan 45 will meet the main requirements for Rifles, Brens & TSMGs to be permanently held for trg.

3. Rifles to be issued to rfts as personal weapons should be drawn through Base Area in the same way as all other Rft Depots in this theatre. No doubt you will increase the pool of Rifles held by Base Area to meet this commitment.

4. This Directorate is of the opinion that a rft must train, as far as ever possible, with his own personal weapon.

5. The demand for the large qty of Rifles, Pistols and TSMGs as quoted in para 1 of your above quoted letter is not understood by this Directorate.

6. The consolidated demand for all trg eqpt reqd for RTC, ICF will be forwarded within the next few days.

31/JRD Awaits ur ltr

Brig.,
D.M.T.

KC/hj

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To See 2/05/19

CA P. WP

Item 6 4/05.

AJG

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Lope Davidson

Please send copy Telex request

to RAC + AIG RAAC under C/L

Copy of AIG request — forwarded

by information

Done — WP 2/05/19

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LRKB V LAEE NR 3

QVR-1-3-

FROM LAEE 302139A

TO REAR EIGHTH ARMY

INFO 15 ARMY GROUP MMIA

GR 158 BT .

CONFIDENTIAL FX18057

SUBJECT IS CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT GRUPPI REINFORCEMENTS (.)

SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.) FURTHER TO OUR FX 31896 OF 26 (.)

ONE (.) HAVE INVESTIGATED FURTHER STATE OF 553 REINFORCEMENTS FOR CREMONA ON DEPARTURE REINFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTRE (.)

TWO(.) ONE PAIR ONLY BOOTS AND SOCKS ISSUED ON INSTRUCTIONS ITALIAN COMMANDANT ON OWN INITIATIVE (.) EXPLANATION GIVEN HE CONSIDERED REINFORCEMENTS WOULD BE DEFICIENT OF SECOND PAIR IN ANY EVENT ON ARRIVAL IF ISSUED (.)

THREE (.) NO GREATCOATS CORRECT SIXES AVAILABLE ON DEPARTURE REINFORCEMENTS (.) BELIEVE YOU ARE AWARE PRESENT SHORTAGE GREATCOATS (.) ORD TAKING ALL POSSIBLE ACTION THIS ITEM (.)

FOUR (.) SHIRTS AND TOWELS (.) SO FAR AS CAN ASCERTAIN THESE SUPPLIED TO PROPER SCALE (.) FIVE (.) LT COL SLOAN WILL DISCUSS WITH YOU DESIRABILITY OF SENDING ITI REINFORCEMENTS FORWARD WITH MINIMAL REQUIREMENTS ONLY IN ORDER REDUCE CHANCES OF SALE OF KIT EN route (.)

BALANCE OF ITEMS TO BE SUPPLIED IN FORWARD AREA (.)

BT 302139A

SENT NR 3 31/0017A JL BBBB K

RECD NR 3 31/0017 A AAA AR K

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S.O h. Sec.

Are you interested

let me have it back!

Q(O.S) 1 Feb 45

Q(O.S)

Ref attached Defence
Defence Sec, states one requirement
for reporting" any Secs who
have passed through Secon
School and who are actively
engaged in field sports
from any Secon will come under
Cover, any Secon who have attended for a Small
Arms Course should be attached from
O.T.C. Kindly send your return

Reed back Q/OS 11 Jul 45 D/141.

CONFIDENTIAL

10 Training Team R.A.
(for Italian Forces)
C.M.F.

28 Jan 45. 1/800.

A.F.H.Q.
Field Artillery Section.

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Copy to: Directorate of Military Trg, A.F.H.Q.
M.M.I.A.

Subject: Controlled Stores - Italian Reinforcement Depot.

Reference your 320.331(Br).

Enclosed is a list of items that the Italian Reinforcement Depot (Artillery Wing) will require, which includes Controlled and Uncontrolled stores.

Lt Col Dehn is away at present at ROME and he may wish to modify this list, and if such is the case I will contact you immediately upon his return.

Since the training wing is designed for Gunner and Specialist training only, the Signal Equipment that has been included in the list is for range duties and internal communication within the training wing.

In addition the following transport has been asked for :-

For administrative purposes

Cars 4 str 4 x 4	1
Cars 2 str 4 x 2	3
Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2	4
Trucks 15 cwt Water	1
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4 GS	10
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4 Breakdown	1
Motor Cycles	2

For training.

Bofors Gun Towers	10
6 for 25 pr	
2 for 17 pr A/Tk	
2 for 40 mm A.A.	
Trucks 15 cwt fitted for wireless	6
Motor Cycles	5

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Major, R.A.
for Lt Col, G.S.
Commanding 10 Trg Team R.A. (for Italian Forces)

Field.

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Description of item.	Cat or Part No.	Section in G 1098.	Quantity required Field.
Compasses prismatic liquid	5630) VC or 0719) VC " 0702) VC " 0700) VC	Section V11	15
Rules Sight 18" Mk 11	1572 VC	Section V 11	6
Tapes Measuring, metalic woven 100 ft	2310 VC	Section V 11	6
Thermometers Survey	2430 VC	Section V 11	4
Watches G.S.	2512 or 2510	Section V 11	15
Watches Stop 1/10 second	2534	Section V 11	3
Beacon/banderol sets RA Mk 11 Send banderols	V 0510	Section V 111	18
Holdalls	VB 0512	"	4
Flags beacon/banderol Blue and Yellow	VB 0548) or VC 0892)	Section V 111	24
Mk 11	VB 0548	"	4
Lamps Night Survey Mk 11	VB 0535	Section V 111	6
Pointers Staff Mk 1	GH 828	Section V 5	6
Skerts distinguishing Directors Mk 1	OS 983) OS 571) OS 987) OS 570) OS 334) OS 568))	Section V 5	6
Telescopes Stereoscopic	OS 5084		

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Watches C.S.	2512 or 2510	Section V 11	15
Watches Stop 1/100 second	2534	Section V 11	3
Beacon/banderol sets RA Mk 11 Send banderols	V 0510	Section V 111	18
Holdalls	VB 0512	"	4
Flags beacon/banderol Blue and Yellow	VB 0548) or VC 0892)	Section V 111	24
Mk 11	VB 0548.	"	4
Lamps Night Survey Mk 11	VB 0533	Section V 111	6
Pointers Staff Mk 1	CM 828	Section V 5	6
Sights distinguishing Directors Mk 1	OS 988) OS 571) OS 987) OS 570) OS 334) OS 566))	Section V 5	6
Telescopes Stereoscopic No.1B Mk 1	OS 598GA	Section V 5	2
Binoculars Prismatic No.2,OS 3000A Mk 11		Section V 6	25
Lights Beacon Director Mk 1	5456A	Section V 6	6

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LR[ ] V LAEE NR[ ] 36
QVK 5
FROM LAEE 261836A
TO REAR EIGHTH ARMY
INFO 15 ARMY GROUP:: MMIA ::
GR 50 BT
REF NO FX91896 CONFIDENTIAL
YOUR Q3337 OF 25 JAN (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQAE (.) EVERY
EFFORT MADE TO ENSURE REINFORCEMENTS SENT FORWARD CLOTHED AND EQUIPPED
TO SCALE (.) CASE CITED UNDER INVESTIGATION (.) WILL INFORM
YOU OF RESULTS (.) NO TRACE IN OUR FILES OF MMIA SS 590 OF 22 JAN
SENT NR 36 26/1943A PHIL BBB

READ INFORM UO YOU OF RESULTS RPT RESULTK KKK
RECD NR 36 26/1943 A AAAA BBBB

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Subject: Indonta.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORS/12/10.
25 January 1945.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(L.M.I.C.)

1. Attached herewith, letter from A.T.D., Italian Combat Forces, which is forwarded for your action as necessary.

G. McGordon, Major.
(G.W. GORDON)
D.A.A.G. & Q. 52 B.L.U.

/Lab.

INFORCEMENTS TRAINING DEPOT ITALIAN COMBAT FORCES
H Q

N° 3199/Eq. di Prot. P.M. 3400 9/12/944

Subject: Equipment

To 56^ SUB+AREA
Capua

Please will you issue for R.T.D.I.C.F. following equipment-material as arranged by Maj.GELARDI L.O. M.M.I.A./:

BLOUSES B.D. (Khaki)	.....	1500
TROUSERS B.D.(Khaki)	.....	1500
VESTS	.....	1000
DRAWERS WOOLLEN	.....	1000
PULLOVERS	.....	1000
TOWELS	.....	2000
GREATCOATS	.....	1000
BOOTS c/w LACES	.....	1500
SOCKS	.....	5000
ANKLETS	.....	1500
HOUSEWIVES	.....	1500
KNIVES FORKS SPOONS	SET	1500
BRACES	.....	1500
MUGS	.....	1500
WATER-BOTTLES CARRIERS	.....	2500
WATER BOTTLES	.....	1500

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HOUSEWIVES 1500
KNIVES
FORKS SET 1500
SPOONS
BRACES 1500
MUGS 1500
WATER-BOTTLES CARRIERS 2500
WATER BOTTLES 1500

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IL COLONNELLO COMANDANTE
(Italo Domeniconi)

13 JAN 1945

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INDENT CHECK SHEET

1. Date of Indent 24/11/42 Indent Ref 4/1/Sig/2 No of Copies 4
2. Originator's Ref 4/53/Sig/2
3. Consignee Name or Unit 1st Cdn Corps Sigs
4. Catering Establishment
5. Authorized Strength Unit
6. Employed by
7. Scenario of Items
   (a) Are Items on authorized scale
   (b) Are quantities within scale and reasonable in view of previous releases
8. Depot from which Indent to be met
9. Can Unit collect
10. If Not, Route and Distribution
11. Agency responsible for Delivery
12. Copies of Notice to

3128

(a) Are Items on authorized scale.....

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(b) Are quantities within scale and reasonable in view of previous releases.....

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8. Depot for Release.....

9. Can Unit Collect..... No 3428.....

10. If Not, Routing and Final Destination..... MW to arrange

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11. Agency Responsible for Delivery.....

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12. Copies of Notice to ...MMIB 20 Engr.....

Maj Hadley

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13. Remarks.....

For Nuke Information Enclosure from Capt Adkins Confidential Courier (Sealed Envelope) Brochure Folder Enclosed

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From Italian Surrender

Not accepted for Issue by MW

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ALLEGATO "B" alla lettera S/AQ/5
del 3 ottobre 1944

Dal S.M.R.E.-Uff.Addestramento n. di prot.425/G.4/ADD del 26/1/45

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz.Gener.le Servizi Comm/to Militare - Div.Caserm.Comb.
= P. M. 3800 =

OGGETTO: Casermaggio e Combustibili.

1. per la distribuzione al (reparto) Nucleo Collegamento Britannico presso Centro Addestr.Complementi Cesano
2. Forza presente — Forza autorizzata
3. Attuale dislocazione Cesano
4. Data di movimento (prevista)
5. Nuova dislocazione
6. Attualmente in servizio presso v.n.1
7. Destinato a prestare servizio presso v.n.1
8. Giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti subito
9. Data dell'ultima richiesta =
10. Indicare numero e data di richieste precedenti per le quali è stata concessa l'autorizzazione ma che la distribuzione non è avvenuta in parte
11. Osservazioni e particolari informativi arredamento 10 camere da letto per gli ufficiali del nucleo suddetto.
12. Nota : riempire la colonna 1 e 2 soltanto. Le colonne 3 e 4 servono per il Ministero della Guerra.

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letti con rete		10	10	
materassi		10	10	
capezzali		10	10	
coperte casermaggio		20	20	
lenzuola		40	40	
federe cuscini		20	20	

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5. Nuova dislocazione

6. Attualmente in servizio presso **v.n.1**

7. Destinato a prestare servizio presso **v.n.1**

8. Giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti **subito**

9. Data dell'ultima richiesta =

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
f/to -A. S a n t i -

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
- Divisione Casermaggio-
P.M.3800

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.(MMIA) ROMA

Si richiede l'autorizzazione per la distribuzione degli oggetti indicati nella colonna 4, paragrafo 12, di cui sopra.

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Subject:- 1 (Italian) G.T. Coy. - AF 108.

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Q105/24

3DLO/38
20 Jan 45.

Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC.,
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

Ref spoke HEAD - THRUPP on 19 Jan.

Herewith AFs 108 in respect of blankets for ICF RTC passed to me by Major ADAMSON.

CESANO.

Major,
MMIA LO,
3 District.

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ALL SERVICES

List of

Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by } ADOS RAAC

From 1 Sqn Depot Date 15/1/45

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	55 Pairs D	110
	BLANKETS	
	45 Bales	
	IX 46199	
	Empty	
	569/316	
	1/c Corns.	

Signature

Rank 3/123 Date

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List of

Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by } A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C.

From 2 SVB DEPOT Date 14/1/45

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKETS	1000
TK	459653	
	LORRY No	
	5527257	

[illegible] Signature

14/1/45 Rank [illegible] Date

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List of

Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by } ADOC. RAAC.

From 2 SUB DEPOT Date 14/1/45

Index or Cat. No.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKETS	3000
IV	459653	
	LORRY No. 5654165	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible] 3723	

.....Signature

14/1/45 .....Rank .....Date

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Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to
Requisitioned by } A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C.
H.Q. 2 S.U.B. DEPOT Date 11/11/42

Demands for Req. Nos.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKET	1 000
IV	459453	
	LARRY. NE	
	R22360	

M. A. S. Ross 3122 Signature
Capt. A.C. Rank D.O.S. Date

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Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by } ADOS RAAC

From 2/5 Depot Date 15/4/45

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKETS	1000
	W 46/9947	
	40 Bale 25	
	LAUNDRY NO	
	5603589	
	BONNER 1/0	
	Bonner 1/0	

Date 15/4/45 Signature

Rank [illegible] Date

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Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to
Requisitioned by } A.D.O.S. R.A.A.

From 2 S.A.B. DEPOT. A.P.O. 1

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKETS	100
X	USED	
	LORRY No 1	
	Now 4.	

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Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to / Requisitioned by 4005 RAAC

From 2/S/2 Depot Date 15/11/43

Index or Cat. No.	Designation	Quantity
	515 B&B BLANKETS	1000
	40 Bales	
	IV 46199 M	
	LORRY No 56162 40	
	Shipment 2/c	

Signature

Rank Date

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ALL SERVICES

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Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to
Requisitioned by } ADS KAAC

From 23rd Det ATC Date

Index (or Cat.) No.	Description	Quantity
	BLANKET	1000
	4 BATS 25	
	LV 46199	
	CARRY NO	
	5685275	
	Hanover Pa	
	H GONNER 2/C	

Rank Signature

3/19 Date

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ALL SERVICES

List of

Stores, Plant, Tools, Instruments, &c.

Issued to
Requisitioned by } ADOS RHQ C

From 215 DEPOT Date 15/7/43

Index (or Cat.) No.	Designation	Quantity
	BLANKETS	1000
	HD Job 25	
	IV 41947	
	LORRY NO 5625130	

Signature

Rank Date

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AXOS [illegible] GS/1000/951/1 ED RJF 3614 AO/15 OF 11 AND AO 3559 OF 16 ED ITEMS PROCESSED FROM RLO - ICP AND PASSED TO 2 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD TO HOLD TILL RELEASE BY G(AS) ED FINAL ROYALTY DEPOT DIRECT IMMEDIATELY RELEASE GIVEN ED APPLICATION FOR CONTROLLED SHOTGUN RELEASE INITIATED THROUGH G ORDNANCE FORMAT

Title Maintenance Inc

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Dal Centro Add.Compl.F.I.Com/to n° di prot. 405/Uff. del 16 gennaio 1945

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direz. Gener.le Servizi di Commissariato -Div.Vest. P.M.151

OGGETTO: Vestiario equipaggiamento.

1 per la distribuzione del reparto Centro Add/to Compl.Forze Italiane di Com/to R.T.C., I.C.F. (CESANO) Corubat Equipaggiamento

2 forza presente 1000 forza autorizzata _____

3 attuale dislocazione _____

4 data di movimento (prevista) _____

5 nuova dislocazione _____

6 attualmente in servizio presso _____

7 destinato a presentare servizio presso Centro Add/to Compl/ti F.I. di Combattimento R.T.C., I.C.F. (CESANO)

8 giorno in cui gli oggetti dovrebbero essere distribuiti _____ subito _____

9 data dell'ultima richiesta _____

10 indicare numero e data di richieste precedenti per le quali è stata concessa l'autorizzazione ma che la distribuzione non è avvenuta in parte _____

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11 osservazioni e particolari informativi _____

12 nota: riempire la colonna 1 e 2 soltano. Le colonne 3 e 4 servono per il Ministero della Guerra.

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1	2	3	4	5
Berretti a busta grigio verde Bafas (Sr.) grey-green		7.000	7.000 3416	

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2 forza presente _____ forza autorizzata _____

3 attuale dislocazione _____

4 data di movimento (prevista) _____

5 nuova dislocazione _____

6 attualmente in servizio presso _____

7 destinato a presentare servizio presso RTC. I.C.F. (CESANO) Centro Add/to Compl/ti F.I. di Combattimento

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L3 = Si certifica che le uniformi e le scarpe richieste rappresentano il fabbisogno di una uniforme e di un paio di scarpe per uomo e non includono partite in più o di riserva e che tutti gli altri oggetti richiesti fanno parte dell'equipaggiamento prescritto per il reparto interessato.

IL COMANDANTE DEL CORPO O REPARTO

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI DI COMM.TO MILITARE
Divisione Vestiario

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC. (MMIA) ROMA

14. Si richiede l'autorizzazione per la distribuzione da fonte Alleata degli oggetti elencati nella colonna 5 paragrafo 12 dell'allegato specchio ed anche di qualsiasi altro oggetto controllato elencato nella colonna 4 dello stesso paragrafo.
Si certifica che tutti gli oggetti richiesti di fonte Alleata non sono disponibili da fonte italiana ad eccezione di quelli che sono già stati autorizzati dalla M.M.I.A. per essere riservati per altre unità italiane.

n. 6001/V di prot.
data 23.1.45

p. IL MINISTRO

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FROM AFHQ signed SAC CITE FHGOT

TO MAIA

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SECRET

Italian call ups are reference (*) ONE (*) Total availability of clothing January and February will be 17000 sets on basis of 6000 per month for BR-ITIS and 2500 per month for US-ITIS (*) TWO (*) Recommend that full programme Appx "A" your SD/53/1 of 27 Dec be put into operation (*) This will allow for selection of fit men and rejection of those not considered suitable (*) THREE (*) Letter follows showing overall manpower state for January/February/March (*) FOUR (*) Reference your cable SD1948 of 17 1200A (December) Understood your firm estimate of availability from SARDINIA call-up will not exceed 6000 per month (*) Shipping is available and you are requested to proceed (*) FIVE (*) Emphasised that final figures for enlistments should not exceed 17000 in period January/February to any large extent (*) Rigorous standards should be maintained to ensure the intake of fit men only

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NAAF AREA ALLIED COMMAND
CROTONE (PROVINCE)

SECRET

Subject:- Stores for R.I.A.F.C.F.

Tel : None 66508
Date: 4 (Jan.) 1945.
Ref: CS/1000/951/1

To :- C.O.C.
557 B.O.D.

Q105/24

Reference my demands (Nos. 27936/5 and 27993/5) placed on 2 Sub Depot under cover of my CS/1000/951/1 of 27 Dec. 1944 and my T.E.M. CS/62 of 4/1/45. These demands covered the initial issues of personal equipment and clothing for 7000 recruits passing through the Italian Re-inforcement Training Centre within the next four/five weeks.

It was unanimously considered by C.O. 2 Sub Depot that this demand was excessive and after a telephone conversation with A.F.H.Q. the figure was cut down to 2000 sets.

The reasons for the demand are as follows:-

(i) A.F.H.Q. has instructed that a reserve of 2500 sets will always be maintained by the Centre.
(ii) The intake by Jan. 31st. (due to a further call up of Italians) will be 5,500.
(iii) After Jan. 31st. a further 1000 recruits weekly will be arriving at the Centre.
(iv) Time lag between submission of indents and receipt of stores in this Area, due to transport and other difficulties is approximately four weeks.

It will be seen, therefore, that the total requirements by the end of January are 8000 complete sets (bearing in mind the fact that these recruits arrive as civilians and have to be completely equipped and clad). My demand therefore amounted to the actual requirements to meet the 5,500 sets for immediate issue having a reserve of 1,500 sets - the balance of this reserve being met from my dump stocks with the exception of items such as greatcoats which will be included in my next bulk.

The figure of 2000 sets released represents less than 10 days requirements for this Centre.

Will you please therefore arrange for my original demand to be met in full and notify this office when the stocks are available.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.O.S.

Copy to:- D.O.S. A.F.H.Q. (Ord 1)
D.O.S. 3 District.
C.O. 2 Sub Depot 557 B.O.D.
D.A.D.O.S. M.M.I.A.

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