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C O R R.

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There are quite considerable stores and equipment including telephone and wireless according to Italian formation under genio instead of Signals.

If I had any idea of any shortages or requirements on the mainland I could look around with some ideas.

Have compressors, electric saws, generating plants, telephones and exchanges, lamps and of various types, spades, picks, miles of wire etc.

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(sgt) C.A. HALL, Major,
D.A.D.M.S.

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Transport Position

27th Sept 44

Waiting at vehicle park Postto, Cagliari for shipping 800 odd vehicles as per attached list in detail, all with good tyres and at least 5,000 miles life. Expect to produce about 100 per week for another 6 to 8 weeks.

Tyres may effect these later figures but will advise. Am preparing m/cycles for shipment without tyres now and putting on vehicles as load.

Spare parts

65 cases at dockside waiting shipment. Can produce in 7 days (by 6th Oct.)

100 cases approx total weight 7 tons

6th to 14th Oct.	300 cases	"	"	30 tons
14th to 21st Oct.	300	"	"	30 tons
21st to 30th Oct.	400 cases	"	"	40 tons

After this, have further quantity of approx 200 tons for which cases will have to be made and packed this taking further time. This will leave about 100 tons on island which can be reduced according to circumstances.

All this found after detailed examination of stores etc. for spares likely to be required to reach any figures on vehicle production and to my arrangement!! There seem to be many odd plates in which are all sorts of materials etc.

Will send a vehicle state and any remarks on the 5th, 10th and 25th independent of Col Simmons for your detailed information.

The following figures may interest you:

Works bbs handled all types of vehicles for shipping and garrison June 50; July 95; August 115; Sept 255

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Have about 6 tons of tools (used) for vehicle kits, very assorted! Am arranging to pack in bulk cases for redistribution to vehicles being shipped when they reach mainland.

G.A. HALL, Major.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020AUTOPARCO SPECIALE DEL "POSTO"SITUAZIONE GENERALE AUTOMOTOMEZZI ALLA DATA DEL 25 SETTEMBRE 1944

	Aut. Spa L.39	Aut. Spa 38/R	Aut. Spa 25 C/10	Aut. Spec. Dev. Spa35	Autecaminciini	Aut. Fiat 618	Aut. Fiat 621	Aut. Fiat 626	Aut. O.M.	Aut. Bianchi	Aut. Lancia 300	Aut. Alfa Romeo	Aut. Isotta Frasch.	Metecioli	Metetrlici	Metecarrozette	Tratteri	Rimerchi	Autecarrette O.M.	Autecerriere	Chevrolet	Autvet. Fiat 1100/M	Autvet. Fiat 508	Autvet. Fiat 508/C	Autvet. Fiat 508/CM
Totale giorno 23/9/1944	80	32	12	24	2	2	10	69	31	28	18	2	2	99	9	9	140	27	3	1	1	-	-	-	-
Ricevuti gior. 24/9/1944	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	8	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ricevuti gior. 25/9/1944	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALI	82	32	13	25	2	2	10	69	32	29	18	2	2	99	9	3	141	27	3	1	1	-	-	-	-
26th	2	3						1			1														
24th	4							1		2	1														
	88	35	13	25	2	2	10	71	32	31	20	2	2	102	9	4	141	27	3	1	1	-	-	-	-

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AUTOPARCO SPECIALE DEL "TOETTO"

SITUAZIONE GENERALE AUTOMOTOREZZA ALLA DATA DEL 25 SETTEMBRE 1944

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Arpino, Tip. Arpinate - Ord. 352 - 28 3-1641 XIX - 18,000

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Arpino, Tip. Arpinate - Ord. 82 - 28 3-1041 XIX - 18,000

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C O P Y

25th Sept 44.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

At Macomer have discovered a stores with the following:--

Approx 60,000 yds material for uniforms

Tons!! Thousands!! of new uniforms, including jackets, trousers, vests, pants, socks, towels, great coats, badges caps, raid for rank badges, thread sewing, thread coarse for boots. etc. etc. General Browning is looking at all this and will confirm.

I am told that there is also a store in Cagliari of Allied clothes and boots but have not been able to locate and investigate yet!

My interest in these lines arises from the general condition of clothing and boots of men at workshops and my efforts to get them improved

Commenced 20th August

Boot and clothing factory at Oschire Boot Section. This small establishment has improved considerably from the time when I saw it last February. More plant has been installed but it appears that production is always limited due to the shortage of material and malaria. 2894

Total staff on Boots 56
less in hosp for Malaria 31

Balance 25 producing 15 prs per day

Present stock of leather about 5 quintels only. Very soft leather and inferriro quality.

MACHINERY. For sole sewing. Type Antonio Yerrari ???????
Rapide
Quantity 3.

For sewing uppers (from saddlery)	"	5
For sewing uppers (shoemakers type)	"	9
For grinding & finishing soles	"	1
For polishing & finishing	"	1

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Electric press for cutting shaped sole pieces, etc.

Quantity 1

Electric machine for splitting hides" 1
(fair condition only)

Studs are made by hand, one man producing about 500 per day
Chestnut pegs are used for heels also made by hand.
Brads from barbed wire.

CLOTHING SECTION This part has also improved considerably but malaria and material also affects output.
Employed 50 women. 10 military; output approx
42 garments daily (mainly reclaimed)

MACHINERY 8 electric sewing machines (driven from 1 motor)
4 foot operated
17 hired machines

In this dept malaria usually accounts for approx 50%
of the staff.

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I recommend that this whole establishment be removed complete with machinery and military personnel to the Mainland for employment at existing factories there and also to be away from Malaria and where material supplies may be easier

C. A. HALL, Major.

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25 Sept. 1944

I have mentioned to General Browning my personal position etc and lack of staff.

He has agreed that Capt. Comici my interpreter would be useful to me and my be retained by me to work with me. Please may this be regularized and I will bring him with me when I return. Name Capt. Anthony Comici of CME Sardinia.

I have also mentioned another English speaking (very good) officer at the Genio who may be useful to Ronnie Phillips or elsewhere. Is about 48 and enthusiastic to cooperate and have work to do. Is a civil engineer in private life and has good education. Name C. pt. Galliano Corayya. 2892
Direzione Lavori Genio, Sardinia.

I also have two workshop officers (one speaks English) and four transport officers surplus--Do you want them for Combat Groups?

C A HALL
Major

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This establishment is small but very useful and covers most artillery and small arms requirements in the following departments:-

Machine Shop	Saddlery
Fitter Shop	Blacksmith
Instrument Shop	Foundry (small)
Woodworking	Small Arms

Labour Military	150
Civilian	150

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Included in this total are the personnel of two light mobile repair shops each of 10 men. One shop holds:

	1 Spa 38 Machinery Wagon New
	1 Spa 38 Stores
the other:	3 Lancia 3 Ro Machinery Wagon
	1 Lancia 3 Ro Stores Wagon (burned)

Nowing being drawn in for shipment.

Estimated approx number of guns on island at June 30th, No. 1977, made up of various types and nationalities including Italian, French, German, Polish and Russian. According to Italian estimates about 70% are good and most are in store. At present rate of repair it is estimated that to go over all these it will take about 3 years!!!!

I feel that this shop has ample facilities to serve the garrison requirements in its various depots and suggest that if the clothing and boot repair factory is removed to the mainland that this workshop be utilized for Garrison requirements. Already in the Saddlery dept are a few bootmakers and tailors--these could be stepped up if necessary. By detail cooperation many other types of work could be done if necessary.

I also believe that this dept could be reduced of specialists suitable to Combat groups in spite of Italian remarks of "niente".

C.A. HALL, Major

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