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Q/53/16 Liaison Log (Capt. Newton) British over 5th Army 1-fk
opened Dec 31, 1944 - Closed June 26, 1945
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Subject: Weekly Liaison Log No. 29.

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MMIA LO
c/o British Incement,
Rear HQ Fifth Army.

Phone: Lightning 163.

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

26th. June 1945.

Sunday
17 June
(1) Discussed postal arrangements with ADL.
(ii) Checked issue of boots to 402 Rgt.
(iii) Discussed future of 231 Div. with GOC (NANNEI).

Monday
18 June
(1) Conference with MOV and A reference future
moves of leave personnel.
(ii) Protest to ADL reference unilateral action
of one of his Group Commanders on a point
of internal organisation.
(iii) Discussed tpt. for Officers' shop with Q -
special reference to Gruppi.

Tuesday
19 June
(1) Discussed move of 523 Gd Coy with MOV, Br.
Incr. and A Branch.
(ii) Handed over 7,000 caps to PRIULI from 231
Div Sub Depot.
(iii) Spoke to MMIA LO 230 Div reference possibility
of loaning pillboxes etc. from 231 Div Depot.

Wednesday
20 June
(1) Q Conference.
(ii) Discussed soap position with S/T.
(iii) Met DAQM 50 BLU. Points discussed:
(a) Officers' shop material for Gruppi.
I told him the Adm Div would organise
its own shop to deal with Gruppi as well.
(b) Black B.D. for discharges. I told him
no black B.D. was yet available, but
that I had kept back a stock of ordinary
green dyed B.D. for the purpose.

Thursday
21 June
(1) Received orders to report to Rome on
permanent transfer.

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- (ii) Protest to ADL reference unilateral action of one of his Group Commanders on a point of internal organisation.
- (iii) Discussed tpt. for Officers' shop with Q - special reference to Gruppi.

Tuesday
19 June

(i) Discussed move of 523 Gd Coy with MOV, Br. Incr. and A Branch.

(ii) Handed over 7,000 caps to FRIULI from 231 Div Sub Depot.

(iii) Spoke to MMIA LO 230 Div reference possibility of loaning pallasses etc. from 231 Div Depot.

Wednesday
20 June

(i) Q Conference.

(ii) Discussed soap position with S/T.

(iii) Met DAQMG 50 BLU. Points discussed:

(a) Officers' shop material for Gruppi. I told him the Adm Div would organise its own shop to deal with Gruppi as well.

(b) Black B.D. for discharges. I told him no black B.D. was yet available, but that I had kept back a stock of ordinary green dyed B.D. for the purpose.

Thursday
21 June

(i) Received orders to report to Rome on permanent transfer.

Friday
22 June

(i) Routine duties.

Saturday
23 June

(i) British Increment Fifth Army closed down today, handing over all responsibility to 1 and 2 District. 231 Div at disposal of AFHQ.

(ii) FOX reported to take over from NEWTON.

(iii) Appointment of MMIA LO Brit. Incr. ended. FOX MMIA LO 231 Div.

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Sunday
24 June

- (i) 231 Div. passed to 2 District.
 - (ii) NEWTON introduced FOX to GOC and officers of 231 Div. and handed over all documents.
 - (iii) FOX will live with 231 Div. HQ LONATC until instructions received from 2 District as to new location 231 Div. HQ (I have strongly recommended MILAN)
- (231 Div. telephone: Lightning 430)

a.m. Newton

Capt.
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Capt.
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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M.M.I. L.O.,
c/o British Increment,
Rear HQ Fifth Army.

Phone: Lightning 163.

510/3/G.

17th. June, 1945.

To:- Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

Sunday
10 Jun

(i) Gen RONCA arrived from ROME to visit POLCORE. Called on Gen CARLETON and Col CHEVASSE, Chief and Deputy Chief of Staff, Fifth Army. Discussed discipline of POLCORE and the delicacy of it's task.

(ii) Discussed rift situation with ADL.

(iii) Visit from Capt CANSENT (UMI) re the UMI units to be established with Gruppi.

Monday
11 Jun

(i) Arranged for MIL HQ BOLZANO to draw POL from POLCORE instead of CLP BOLOGNA (Only an interim measure).

(ii) ADMS Brit Inc talked to re about Evac Hosps at CAPPAGGIOLLO and their probable employment with AC.

(iii) Asked G(SD) to call forward 417 I.P.L. Regt from BONGO to BOLOGNA.

(iv) Lt Col HOWARD arrived. Conference on Gruppi problems. (Minutes to Lt Col HOWARD).

Present: G(SD), AAG, AQMS, MMIA Lt Brit Inc, G1 of POLCORE, PRIUE, LEGNANO, G1 XV Army Group, Lt Col HOWARD MMIA.

Tuesday
12 Jun

(i) Pointed out to DAQMG that it was useless to juggle with units of 231 Div until it was decided where the Div HQ was going to function.

(ii) Finally obtained authority for issue of 100 new suits of KB to officers of 231 Div HQ - to be counted against ration cards.

Wednesday
13 Jun

(i) Visited 805 Transit Camp, BOLOGNA and discussed handling of rfts with Lt TARONE, Maltese Liaison Officer put in the Camp by Brit Inc.

Thursday
14 Jun

Routine duties.

Friday

(i) Brit Inc will hand over all responsibilities to

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Saturday (iv) Discussed Italian Military Law with ADL, also
16 Jun changes in locations of Pioneer Coys.

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MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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E.M. A. L.O.,
C/O British Increment,
Near HQ Fifth Army.

Phone: Lightning 163.

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10th. June, 1945.

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

Sunday (1) NEWTON returns to HQ Five Army from ROME.

Monday (1) Visited 231 Div at IONATO.
(11) Discussed rfts with ADL, Brit Inc.

Tuesday (1) Labour Brit Inc wanted to "pack" 10 Pioneer Coys from
5 other Coys. G.O.C. 231 Div does not agree, so until
the promised 1,000 rfts arrive, 15 depleted Coys will
be used.

(11) Discussed Postal Services for Italian Army with LADAPS
(Gave him Col. CURTIS views).
(111) THURUPP reported to 1 District.

Wednesday (1) Visited DOLO (on instructions of Col. SIMMONS during
my visit to ROME). 228 Div have a Clothing Depot
6 there and I was assured by HENBERT that he was looking
into the question of the looting of Italian Army
clothing by civilians and partisans.

Thursday (1) Discussed 231 Div Orbat with DAG Brit Inc.
(11) Brig GILMAN asked me about future of co-operators.
I told him they were to be drafted into the Italian
Army - which would lower their morale still further.
(111) Discussed 212 C.I. Column with DADST.
(11) Cigarettes are in short supply and have been for about
ten days. DIDs have only been able to issue five per
man. ST assures me the position will improve next week.

Friday (1) 'Q' Conference: once more stated that Brit Inc can
8 only survive another two weeks
(11) Conference held by G(SD) to discuss possible reduction
in staff of Brit Inc.
(111) Fixed method of enlisting partisans as rfts for 231 Div.
(11) UNI Capt went to 231 Div to set up HQ of Italian

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Thursday 7 June (1) Discussed 231 Div Orbat with DAAG Brit Inc.
(11) Brig CILMAN asked me about future of co-operators. I told him they were to be drafted into the Italian Army - which would lower their morale still further.
(111) Discussed 212 C.I. Column with DADST.
(1v) Cigarettes are in short supply and have been for about ten days. DIDs have only been able to issue five per man. ST assures me the position will improve next week.

Friday 8 June (1) 'Q' Conference: once more stated that B"it Inc can only survive another two weeks.
(11) Conference held by G(ED) to discuss possible reduction in staff of Brit Inc.
(111) Fixed method of enlisting partisans as rfts for 231 Div.
(1v) UMI Capt went to 231 Div to set up HQ of Italian Major, Chief Inspector. I spoke to Col. HOLT, DME and it was decided that a more appropriate HQ would be with Territorial HQ BOLZANO.

Saturday 9 June (1) Q Conference. Suggested that POLIGORE and FRIULI pass to 1 District.
(11) POLIGORE is to move from BOLZANO to BRESCANONE.
(111) Q confirmed that non-availability of rfts would not be issued to enable purchases to be made except to replace commodities not available on the ration scale.
(1v) Col. CHEVASSER, Deputy Chief of Staff, flew to BOLZANO to relieve Gen. MONIGI of command of the POLIGORE. Gen. MICHELIS takes over command.

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British Increment, Fifth Army

Subject:- Weekly Liaison Log No. 26.

M.M.I.A. I.O.,
C/o British Increment,
Near HQ Fifth Army.
Phone: Lightning 163.
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To:- Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.

3rd. June, 1945.

Sunday 27 May (1) Q conference.
(11) Discussed mail for 31 Div with DADAPT, Brit Inc.
(111) W.E. 231 Div, discussed with A, Brit Inc.

Monday 28 May (1) Tried to get to UDINE for liaison visit to CA NEW
HUNT. Vehicle died at VICENZA.
(11) Visit from Lt TACKS, Maltese officer put by A
Branch, Brit Inc into 805 Transit Camp.

Tuesday 29 May (1) Q conference. AAC raised point of unilateral action
on the part of 1 Dist - with special reference to
BOURNE'S signal to MMIA about 805 Transit Camp.
(11) Spoke to senior N.C.O.s of an Italian Co-operator
Workshops employed by Brit Inc in an endeavour to
make them work.
(111) Discussed rft requirements with LAB, Brit Inc.

Wednesday 30 May NEWTON to ROME by air.

Thursday 31 May NEWTON visited all branches M.M.I.A. H.Q.

Friday 1 June NEWTON left ROME to return by road.

Saturday 2 June Lt. Col. HEGGIE visited Brit Inc and conferred with
ADMS.

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(11) W.S. 231, discussed with A, Brit Inc.

Monday
28 May

(1) Tried to get to UDINE for liaison visit to CARNE
HUNT. Vehicle died at VICENZA.

(11) Visit from Lt TAPONE, Maltese officer put by A
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Tuesday
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BOURNE'S signal to MMIA about 805 Transit Camp.

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workshops employed by Brit Inc in an endeavour to
make them work.

(111) Discussed rift requirements with IAS, Brit Inc.

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NEWTON to ROME by air.

Thursday
31 May

NEWTON visited all branches M.K.I.A. H.Q.

Friday
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NEWTON left ROME to return by road.

Saturday
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ADMS.

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British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Subject:- Weekly Liaison Log No. 25.

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M.M.I.A. L.O.,
C/o British Increment,
Near H.Q. Fifth Army.
Phone: Lightning 163.

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7th. May, 1945.

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

Sunday (1) Q conference - role of Folgore and Friuli discussed.
20 May (ii) Discussed W.E. of 231 Div HQ with 'A'.
(iii) Investigated position of bush nets for 231 Div.

Monday (1) Q conference.
21 May (ii) Discussed method of allotting canteen rations between various categories of Five Army Itis.
(iii) Gen. NANNI once more broached the subject of sets of new K.D. for office of his HQ.

Tuesday (1) Q conference.
22 May (ii) Discussed canteen rations with VAN KIRK. Explained system of allocation to Q Brit Inc.
(iii) Met Col CHEVASSER, new Deputy Chief of Staff to replace Brig JONES.
(iv) Assisted at briefing of Folgore for new operational role.
(v) Pointed out to D/CS that I thought it was possible that AFHQ, on receipt of Armies' intimation that the additional combat scale was to be discontinued, might bring scale down again to original one (i.e. 12 ozs flour etc).

Wednesday (1) Discussed sum of 5 T.C. Section with A.P.M.
23 May (ii) Arranged telephone communication for 231 Div.
(iii) Discussed second set of K.D. for 21 Pack Group.

Thursday (1) Informed Brit Inc of decision of Min of War to grant danger pay for soldiers employed on work on CERBAVALLO tunnel.

Friday (1) Discussed return of Grade 2 K.D. from 1 Gd Regt since they are now category 2.
25 May (ii) Discussed question of canteen rations for FOLGORE and FRIULI now under command.

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 25 May (11) Discussed question of canteen rations for FOLGORE and FRIULI now under command.
 (111) Discussed Rft Transit Camp at Bologna. (Brit Inc resent interference of 1 District).

- Saturday (1) Discussed 505 Transit Camp with A.A.G.
 26 May (11) Asked VAN KIRK to give 231 Div one of the two mobile canteens now operated by 210 Div.
 (111) Discussed desertion in Pioneer Coys with Lt. Col. VEDRENNE, new A.D.L., Brit Inc.

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a. m. newton Capt.
 RMIA LO,
 British Increment Fifth Army.

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M.M.L.A. L.C.,
C/o British Incumbent,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army.
Phone: Lightning Rear 163.
510/3/8.
20th May 1945.

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To:- Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.L.A.) R O M A.

Sunday 13 May	(1) (11)	NEWTON attended 'Q' conference. Gen. KAPPEL visited HQ to speak to Brig JONES who is leaving shortly.
Monday 14 May	(1) (11) (111) (14)	231 Div opened at new location LONATO. NEWTON visited LONATO from VERONA. THURUP arrived from FLORENCE where he had been staying with 231 Div awaiting their move. Major EDWARDS, ROME, arrived Brit Inor, VERONA.
Tuesday 15 May	(1) (11) (111)	'Q' conference Brit Inor. Discussed move of 805 Transit camp with 'A'. NEWTON visited Div at LONATO. 231 Div occupies the Castle and the new schools.
Wednesday 16 May	(1) (11)	Discussed question of desertion and leave with IAB. Discussed ration supplies for Div with S/T - mainly a question of nearest possible D.I.C.
Thursday 17 May	(1)	Brit Inor moved to Lake Garda - area SA LO - GARDONE. NEWTON and THURUP have offices in Brit Inor HQ (ex-German Embassy).
Friday 18 May	(1) (11)	'Q' conference. Arrival of FRULLI and FOIGONE discussed. Driver Boyds left for four days holiday on Lake COMO (Babb and Tomley will go in their turn).
Saturday 19 May	(1)	'Q' Conference. (a) Italian Military Corps BASSON, MILAN, etc. (b) Question of Italian Military saluting Allied officers. I pointed out that in 231 Div this was done.

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14 May (11) NEWTON VISITED ROMARIO LIVER VIGNOLA.
 (111) THURUP arrived from FLORENCE where he had been staying with 231 Div awaiting their move.
 (14) Major EDWARDS, ROSE, arrived Brit Incor, VIGNOLA.

Tuesday (1) 'Q' conference Brit Incor.
 15 May (11) Discussed move of 805 Transit camp with 'A'.
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 18 May (11) Driver Royds left for four days holiday on Lake COMO (Babb and Tomley will go in their turn).

Saturday (1) 'Q' Conference.
 19 May (a) Italian Military Hospes MEDICIA, MILAN, etc.
 (b) Question of Italian Military saluting Allied officers. I pointed out that in 231 Div this was done.

(11) Discussed rations for Italian Military Hospes with Major VAN KIRK and ADME.

(111) Gen. MANTEI visited ADME ref 264 Field Hosp. It will move up here when more is known of the locations of dependent troops.

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 British Increment,
 Fifth Army.

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Subject: Weekly Liaison Log, No. 18.

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M.M.I.A. L.O.,
C/o British Inurement,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Phone: Lightning Rear 350.

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8th. April, 1945.

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

Sunday
Apr 1

(i) Capt McIntyre, O.C. 697 Art Wks Coy,
came to discuss internal discipline
of 46 Iti Iner.

(ii) Discussed with Labour the distribution
of extra rfts.

(iii) Discussed withdrawal of blankets
from 231 Div for summer.

231 Div want each man
to keep 1 comforter.
'Q' Iti Iner agrees.

Monday
Apr 2

(i) Discussed tpt of 2 O.R. Coy with S/T.
They are very angry
at the unsatisfactory
state in which this unit
came under their
command.

(ii) Checked on items of hosp diet with
S/T and Surgeon Office Liaison Offr.

(iii) Received authority from 5 Army for
231 Div to requisition 2 M/Gs.

(iv) Discussed with 'Q' the instruction
issued by him on the issue of K.D.
to RHITIS.

This was almost ident-
ical with the MSLA
instruction.

(v) Complaints from 231 about state of
K.D.

(vi) 148 Pnr rfts despatched to units.

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Monday
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They are very angry at the unsatisfactory state in which this unit came under their command.

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(iii) Received authority from 5 Army for 231 Div to requisition 2 M/Cs.

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This was almost identical with the MMIA instruction.

(v) Complaints from 231 about state of K.D.

(vi) 148 Pnr rfts despatched to units.

Tuesday
Apr 3

(i) Thrupp reported for duty with Brit Iner.

(ii) Discussed Ammiglioramento razione with Italian Liaison Officer and Delegazione 'T'.

(iii) Arranged drawing of rations by new units arriving for 7 Territorial HQ.

(iv) Attended rail bid conference and obtained 20 tons for tpt of bush nets for 231 Div.

2919 of my signal 3 April.

(v) Discussed welfare for co-operators with Rome and Florence Command.

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Tuesday (vi) Discussed K.D. clothing with NMIA
Apr 3 Army.

(vii) Complaint from Labour re condition
of rfts recently arrived. My 310/2/A of 4 April
refers.

(viii) 102 Pnr rfts despatched to units.

Wednesday (i) Thrupp introduced to Branches of
Apr 4 Brit Inor.

(ii) Visit by DADOS Brit Inor to 231 Div
Clothing Depot to inspect K. D.
clothing. My 310/2/A of 7 April
refers.

(iii) Met Italian O.G., 2 G.T. Coy and
discussed his problems. Newton spent several
hours trying to solve
the problem of the
dispersion of 2 G.T. Coy
vehicles..

(iv) Thrupp met 231 Div Staff.

Thursday (i) Discussed various problems with NMIA
Apr 5 L.O. Five Army.

(ii) Discussed rfts for 39 Group with
O.G. Group. This Group is now under
command 1 Dist.

(iii) Explored various avenues to get
interpreters for 2 G.T. Coy. Finally
transferred three temporarily for
XXI Pack Group.

(iv) Discussion with Maj Winfield (LBNHAG)
about soap, cigarettes, etc.

(v) Disposed of health propaganda leaflets
to S. Gallo Hospital.

(vi) Discussed "danger pass" with 81 Beach
Group and 'A' Brit Inor.

(vii) 40 subleters despatched to XII Pack
Group. 123 Pnr rfts distributed to units.

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(iii) Met Italian G.C., 2 G.T. Coy and discussed his problems.

Nexton spent several hours trying to solve the problem of the dispersion of 2 G.T. Coy vehicles..

(iv) Thrupp met 231 Div Staff.

Thursday
Apr 5

(i) Discussed various problems with MHIA L.O. Five Army.

(ii) Discussed rfts for 39 Group with G.C. Group.

This Group is now under command 1 Dist.

(iii) Explored various avenues to get interpreters for 2 G.T. Coy. Finally transferred three temporarily for XII Pack Group.

(iv) Discussion with Maj Pittfield (USONANO) about soap, cigarettes, etc.

(v) Discussed of health propaganda leaflets to S.GALLO Hospital.

(vi) Discussed "danger pay" with 21 Beach Group and 'A' Brit Iner.

(vii) 40 Muleteers detached to XII Pack Group. 123 Pnr rfts distributed to units.

Friday
Apr 6

(i) Discussed medical in operation of rfts 231 Div latter 1027/ORD with Chief of Staff 231 Div.

(ii) Discussed Adm cmd of 470, 522, 576 and 866 Pz Hospitals with Brit Iner and 231 Div.

(iii) Still enquiring about bringing forward remainder of tpt for 2 G.T. Coy.

(iv) Arranged with HMC, Brit Iner, for repair of British vehicles with 2 Mly Snor Group.

(v) Notified of allocation of tpt for 513 and 522 Gd Bns.

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Saturday 7 Apr (1) Discussed the non-availability of an adequate supply of tent pieces with Labour. (10) MIA informed).

(ii) Discussed canteen rations with Labour.

(iii) 110 Pnr rfts distributed to units.

(iv) 342 mixed rfts arrived at 231 Div Art Depot from AREZZO.

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MIA LO.
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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British Increment.
Fifth Army.

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Subject: Weekly Liaison Log, No. 17.

M.M.I.A. L.O.,
c/o British Incumbent,
Near H. . . Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Phone: Lightning Rear 350.

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1st. April, 45.

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

- Sunday Mar 25
- (i) Spoke with Brig MATTHEWS, Commander 59 Area re progress of 1st Gd Regt at SIENA. He seems satisfied with the 'Q' side.
 - (ii) Met commanders of various Pioneer Gps at 231 Div E.Q.
 - (iii) Brig GILMAN 1ST Brit Inor went to 231 Div to see Gen NARREL. Discussed XII Pack Group.
 - (iv) Visited 231 Div canteen with DUST and Pioneer Gp commanders and heard their orchestra. This orchestra of 231 Div broadcast from FLORENCE.
 - (v) 200 rfts ex AFRAGOLA arrived at AREZZO.
- Monday Mar 26
- (i) Arranged for disposal of Rly Eng'r rfts to PISA.
 - (ii) Discussed carrying of Italian civilians in W.D. vehicles on charge to Italian units. I maintain that they are no longer W.D. vehicles within the meaning of the term in the prohibition of civilian passengers.
 - (iii) Inquired about portable wine containers for units of the FOLGORE. 'Q' have told

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Mar 25

- (1) Spoke with Brig MATTHEWS, Commander 59 Area re progress of let (A) Regt at SIENA. He seems satisfied with the 'C' side.
- (ii) Met commanders of various Pioneer Gps at 231 Div H.Q.
- (iii) Brig GILMAN DUST Brig Inor went to 231 Div to see Gen BARRELL. Discussed XXI Paok Group.
- (iv) Visited 231 Div canteen with MUST and Pioneer gp commanders and heard their orchestra. This orchestra of 231 Div broadcast from FLORENCE.
- (v) 200 rfts ex AFRAGOLA arrived at AREZZO.

Monday
Mar 26

- (1) Arranged for disposal of Rly Rngr rfts to PISA.
- (ii) Discussed carrying of Italian civilians in U.S. vehicles on charge to Italian units. I maintain that they are no longer U.S. vehicles within the meaning of the term in the prohibition of civilian passengers.
- (iii) Enquired about portable wine containers for units of the FOLGORI. 'C' have told me to apply to MMIA. The C/S wants the best of these for rfts for 231 Div 2916
- (iv) Discussed the disbandment of 46 incre- sent to 697 Art Wks Coy with 231 Div.
- (v) 876 rfts arrived at AREZZO for 231 Div and 150 each for LEONANO and FOLGORI.
- (vi) 125 Pioneer rfts went out to Groups.
- (vii) Ford sent into workshop for overhaul. Meantime I keep the Dodge. This was agreed with Capt CRAIG.

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Tuesday
Mar 27

- (1) Took Brig THURNE (A/AR AFHQ) to see Gen HANNEI. Discussed Italian Officers Shop, A.D. for BRITIS, tentage, dyed battledress. He said he would try to help the Div with it's great mess tin problem.
- (ii) Partisan officer - speaking very good English - applied for employment with Allies. I referred him to G-4 Liaison, Five Army. I believe he has now been militatized and absorbed by 210 Div.
- (iii) Gen HANNEI outlined to me some friction between Allied and Italian commanders of 7 Pack Mule Coy. I discussed the matter with Brig GILMA, DEET. The matter has been dealt with satisfactorily.
- (iv) Discussed policy for distribution of extra rfts with 'A' and 'Lab' here. My 5LO/2/A of 29th. March refers.
- (v) 570 rfts arrived at AREZZO. We have now over 1,000 between AREZZO Camp and 251 Div Depot FLORENCE. Phoned Maj STAFFORD to tell him we needed no more bodies for some time.

Wednesday
Mar 28

- (i) Told C/S that responsibility for allocating and housing superfluous rfts would be Italian. My 5LO/2/A of 29th. March.
- (ii) 251 Div expressed it's complete dissatisfaction with the way that Brit Iner had failed to spend the 15 lire a day. I informed Brit Iner and ROMX. WLLA. '9' Brit Iner letter 157 Q of 6 March. (Copy sent by me to WLLA)
- (iii) Transferred 40 BRITIS rfts to 4 Coy 522 Qd Bn after consulting Major STAFFORD. My 5LO/2/A of 29th. March.
- (iv) Spoke to CAREW HUNT re new leave line. Inter Army permission not affected.

Thursday
Mar 29

- (i) Visit from Capt MCINTOSH, O.C. 697 Art W. Coy. re disbandment of 40 Increment.

(ii) Discussed Italian

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- (iv) Discussed policy for distribution of extra rfts with 'A' and 'Lab' here.
- (v) 570 rfts arrived at AREZZO. We have now over 1,600 between AREZZO Camp and 231 Div Depot FLORENCE.

Wednesday (i) Told C/S that responsibility for allocating and housing superfluous rfts would be Italian.

- (ii) 231 Div expressed it's complete dissatisfaction with the way that Brit Inor had failed to spend the 15 lire a day. I informed Brit Inor and ROME.

- (iii) Transferred 40 BRITIS rfts to 4 Coy 522 Gd Bn after consulting Major STANTON.

- (iv) Spoke to CAREW HUNT re new leave line. Inter Army permission not affected.

Thursday (i) Visit from Capt McINTOSH, O.C. 697 Art Wks Coy, re disbandment of 46 Increment.

- (ii) Discussed Italian Army disciplinary action with reps of 75 S.I.B.

- (iii) Asked to explore possibility of importing Greek girls married to BRITIS.!!

- (iv) Gruppi rfts are being sent to FLORENCE from AREZZO. This was put right.

- (v) Tpt for Gd Bns. This need is really very urgent.

- (vi) Gruppi transit personnel ordered to quit 210 Depot. No place for them at 231 Div.

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There is no room in 231 Div Depot for Combat rfts.

My 510/5/A of 29th. March

Q 12/12/22 of 23 Mar. I am making a small transit camp (unofficial) for Gruppi personnel at Fort Belvedere.

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Thursday (vii)

'A' exploring the possibility of W.V.S. for BRITIS with Five Army. I do not think it worth the trouble - in view of the Italian female mentality.

(viii) 75 Pioneer rfts allotted to Groups.

Friday
Mar 30

(i) Visit from Capt HILLS, O.C. 3 Adv Med Depot, ref arrival of rep from 'T' Adv Med Depot.

(ii) Talk with AFM about thefts by members of LERNANO and FOLGORE Gruppi.

(iii) ADMS discussed with me R.E. services for 866 Rd Hosp.

(iv) Cleared up misunderstanding about the Rest Camp at CASTELFRANCO.

(v) Discussed discipline with DAQMG 32 BLJ.

(vi) Discussed situation of tyres and spares with 35 C.R.B. (Works).

(vii) 175 rfts sent from 231 Div Depot to Pioneer Groups (Except 30 sent to Forestry Coys).

Saturday
Mar 31

(i) Italian O.C. 'T' Adv Med Depot reported to me. I sent him on to GALIUNZED.

(ii) 'Q' asked about producing an instruction on issue of R.D. clothing to BRITIS.

(iii) Discussed blanket withdrawal for summer.

231 Div sent to leave each man with one comforter. I agree.

(iv) S/T raised question of interpreter for No. 20-3. Coy moving under

I spoke Maj DOBBS/ none available.

By 510/7/2 or 30th. March.

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- (iii) ADMS discussed with me R.E. services for 866 Pz Hosp.
- (iv) Cleared up misunderstanding about the Rest Camp at CASTELFRANCO. My 510/7/C of 30th. March.
- (v) Discussed discipline with DAJMG 52 BLU.
- (vi) Discussed situation of tyres and spares with 35 C.R.E. (Works).
- (vii) 175 rfts sent from 231 Div Depot to Pioneer Groups (Except 30 sent to Forestry Coys).
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- Saturday
Mar 31
- (i) Italian O.C. 'P' Adv Med Depot reported to me. I sent him on to GALLUZZO.
- (ii) 'Q' asked about producing an instruction on issue of R.D. clothing to BRITIS.
- (iii) Discussed blanket withdrawal for summer.
- (iv) S/T raised question of interpreter for No. 2 C.F. Coy moving under command.
- (v) 127 Pioneer rfts allocated to Pioneer Groups.
- 231 Div want to leave each man with one comforter. I agree.
- I spoke Maj DUBBS/ none available.

a m newton Capt.
AMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Subj: Weekly Liaison Log, No. 16.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o British Increment,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Phone: Lightning Rear 350.

5LO/3/G.

25th. March, 45.

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

Sunday
Mar 18

- (i) G.O.C. 231 tackled me again about the possibility of having undyed B.D. (In view of the imminent arrival of A.D. I have made no further representation to M.M.I.A. HQ).
- (ii) Arranged for 150 pioneers rfts to go to 39 Pioneer Gp u/c 2 Dist.
- (iii) Was approached by Commissariate 231 Div re underwear for hot weather.
- (iv) 224 Rfts arrived at 231 Rft Depot from ENZO.

My 5LO/2/Q of
19th Jan.).

My 5LO/2/Q of
21st March.

Monday
Mar 19

- (i) Saw ADL about civil labour employed by Gruppi.
- (ii) Saw "Q" about rifle oil from Allied sources. Each employing formation releases to BRIT units under command.
- (iii) Discussed tpt for 513 Gd Bn with APM. He undertook to bring it before Brit. Incr. at tomorrow's conference.
- (iv) 100 pioneer rfts despatched to Pioneer Group.

Your Q/OS/6 of
17 March, para 2
does not give
correct picture.
Newton spoke Maj.
Greenwood.

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Mar 18

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- (ii) Arranged for 150 pioneers rfts to go to 39 Pioneer Gp u/o 2 Dist.
- (iii) Was approached by Commissariate 231 Div re underwear for hot weather.
- (iv) 224 Rfts arrived at 231 Hft Depot from BELLO.

My 5LO/2/Q of 21st March.

Monday
Mar 19

- (i) Saw ADL about civil labour employed by Gruppi.
- (ii) Saw "Q" about rifle oil from Allied sources. Each employing formation releases to BRIT units under command.
- (iii) Discussed tpt for 513 Gd Bn with APM. He undertook to bring it before Brit. Incr. at tomorrow's conference.
- (iv) 100 pioneer rfts despatched to Pioneer Group.

Your Q/OS/6 of 17 March, para 2 does not give correct picture. Newton spoke Maj. Greenwood.

Tuesday
Mar 20

- (i) Spoke to small groups of Partisans. They don't want to join the Army because they want to go home as soon as their town is freed.
- (ii) Major Papineau and Major Edwards visited this office. Visited Delegazione 'F' and discussed M.T. repair facilities and POL.
- (iii) Discussed rations for Italian canteen with AAC and Q.
- (iv) Discussed soap and cigarettes for Gruppi with S/T.

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Q letter to MMIA HQ refers. My 5LO/7/Q of 26 Mar.

Tuesday
Mar 20

- (v) Discussed tpt for Cd Coys.
(vi) Capt. Thrupp arrived on liaison visit.

Wednesday
Mar 21

- (i) Capt. Thrupp left for 8 Army.
(ii) O.C. 4 Pack Tpt Coy enquired about KFI for Pack Group on same scale as for Combat Groups.
(iii) Discussed tpt of 231 Div and repair facilities with Maj. Papineau and Maj. Edwards.
(iv) DADOS discussed issue of British B.D. to Pack Tpt Coy. I pointed out that this was and would be entirely unofficial
(v) Discussed distribution of disinfectants with Italian L.O. Surgeons Office.

Thursday
Mar 22

- (i) Discussed canteen supplies with Q - with ref to leave percentage. I warned him his letter 285/1 Q of 20 Mar might be premature.
(ii) Discussed scale of KFI itmes General throughout Italian Army. - Nil...!
(iii) Interpreted for APM during taking of evidence of a USITI accused of stealing.
(iv) General MANNEI very concerned at the non-arrival of Caps FS for 231 Div. Disciplinary action is taken against any BRITI soldier seen without a cap.
(v) Arranged tpt for a group of Combat rfts.
(vi) Arranged appointments for visit of Senior MMIA LO projected for 29 Mar.
(vii) Arranged for collection of balance of March allocation of cigarettes for Folgore, also for small allocation of soap. Cigarettes will be collected from EUCCA and put into 93.DID

- (viii) 100 Pioneer rfts despatched to Pioneer

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(v) Discussed distribution of disinfectants with Italian L.O. Surgeons Office.

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- (ii) Discussed scale of EPI itmes General throughout Italian Army. - Nil..!
- (iii) Interpreted for APM during taking of evidence of a USITI accused of stealing. Disciplinary action is taken against any BRITI soldier seen without a cap.
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- (viii) 100 Pioneer rfts despatched to Pioneer Group. 2912

Friday
Mar 23

- (i) Discussed cigarettes with S/T.
- (ii) DADOS enquired about Mobile Baths with the Gruppi.
- (iii) Spoke to L.O. 1 Dist about collection of blankets from his Depot.
- (iv) Tpt for 512 Gd Bn again discussed with APM and Q.
- (v) 106 Pioneer rfts despatched to Pioneer Group.

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Saturday
Mar 24

- (i) Discussed disposal of Rly Engr Rfts with MOV 15 Army Group (Lt. Col. Wheeler).
- (ii) Made preliminary arrangements for collecting caps from Bari.
- (iii) Checking up on Mobile Bath Units with Gruppi.
- (iv) 15 Muleteers to XXI Pack Gp.
- (v) 75 Pioneers to Pioneer Group.

Later cancelled by message from Major Taylor saying they were despatched by rail.

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MIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Amended by
Capt.
MIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Subject: Weekly Liaison Log No. 15.

MMIA LO, Increment, S
British, Fifth Army,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Phone No: Lightning Rear 350.

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18th March, 45.

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

Sunday Mar 11	(i) (ii) (iii)	Met new Vice Commander 231 Div - Gen. RICCA. Discussed 'amigliamento razionale' with S/T. 100 reinforcements to Pioneer Labour Group.
Monday Mar 12	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	Lt. TREVELYAN reported back to MMIA ROME. Cigarette situation reviewed with S/T. 96 Muleteers Rfts to XXI Pack Group - 40 Pioneers to 55 Group. Arrival at AREZZO for 231 Div. - 117 Pioneer Rfts, 62 Muleteer Rfts, 16 Forestry Rfts.
Tuesday Mar 13	(i) (ii) (iii)	Discussed admin of Guard Coys with APM, Brit Incr. Arranged onward journey of 866 FA Hosp from AREZZO. Special allocation of clothing for Rfts for 1st Guards Regt: who, according to 59 Area, arrived at AREZZO in deplorable condition.
Wednesday Mar 14	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv) (v)	Gen MANNI brought Gen RICCA to meet officers of Brit Incr, G.O.C. 231 once more raised the point about the inconveniences arising from dyed battle dress. Brig JONES agreed. Col NOAKES arrived. Discussed - clothing, tpt, cigarettes, soap, etc. Monthly POL panic from Delegazione 'T' Capt HORLICK reported for duty. Rations refused to Pioneer Rest Camp, CASTELFRONCO - through use of wrong title.
Thursday Mar 15	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv) (v)	Visited 46 Increment to 697 Art Wks Coy - at work on bridging. Col NOAKES and HORLICK visited 13 Corps and FOLGORE. Discussed disciplinary powers of Italian officers with APM. Visit from ADMS 13 Corps re retention of Italian Medical Officer. Discussed issues to ITI-ITI from DID's with Staff Capt E. FLORENCE Command.

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Monday
Mar 12

(i) Lt. TREVELYAN reported back to MMIA ROME.
(ii) Cigarette situation reviewed with S/T.
(iii) 96 Muleteers Rfts to XXI Pack Group - 40 Pioneers to 55 Group.
(iv) Arrival at AREZZO for 231 Div. - 117 Pioneer Rfts, 62 Muleteer Rfts, 16 Forestry Rfts.

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(ii) Arranged onward journey of 866 Fd Hosp from AREZZO.
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(iii) Monthly POL panic from Delegazione 'T'
(iv) Capt HORLICK reported for duty.
(v) Rations refused to Pioneer Rest Camp, CASTELFRONCO - through use of wrong title.

Thursday
Mar 15

(i) Visited 46 Increment to 697 Art Wks Coy - at work on bridging.
(ii) Col NOAKES and HORLICK visited 13 Corps and FOLGORE.
(iii) Discussed disciplinary powers of Italian officers with APM.
(iv) Visit from AIMS 13 Corps re retention of 1st Field Medical Officer.
(v) Discussed issues to ITI-ITI from DID's with Staff Capt Q, FLORENCE Command.
(vi) Arranged visit LEGNANO with Brig JONES, D/CS Five Army.
(vii) Arrived at AREZZO for 231 Div: 337 Forestry and Pioneer Rfts.

Friday
Mar 16

(i) Col NOAKES and NEWTON discussed various points - chiefly cigarettes issue - with 'Q' Brit Incr - Col NOAKES left for 6 Army.
(ii) Capt HORLICK introduced to Staff officers of all departments, Brit Incr.
(iii) MMIA ROME signalled Capt HORLICK to report to his Regt: tomorrow.
(iv) S/T not yet convinced that they must issue 10 free cigarettes.
(v) 50 Pioneers sent to Pioneer Group from Div Depot.

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Saturday (i) Capt MORLICK reported MMIA ROME.
Mar 17 (ii) C.O. and Coy Comdrs 513 Gd Regt visited Capt NEWTON
re tpt for their administration.
(iii) 191 Pioneer Rfts to Pioneer Group.
27 Muleteer Rfts to XXI Pack Group.

(For four complete days of this week, this detachment was entirely without a vehicle, owing to it's being in use to take officers to and from ROME).

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MMIA LO.
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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Fifth Army.

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Subject: - Weekly Liaison Log No. 14.

MIA LO,
British Inocent,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.P.

Phone No: Lightning Bear 350.

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13th March 45.

Land Forces Sub Com. A.O.
(M.M.I.A.) ROSS.

Sunday
Mar 4

- (1) TRUVELIAN to S. GIOVANNI to receive vehicles for 805 Transit Comp.
- (ii) NEWTON to 234 to review clothing situation.
- (iii) Two battalions arrived at ARSIZO to be used as rfts.

Monday
Mar 5

- (1) Gen. BROWNING, Col. PIRSLAY arrived in FLORENCE.
- Met MIA L.O. Brit Inoc
- (ii) 334 Muleteers brought from ORVITO by Brit Inoc road tpt.
- (iii) 25 Muleteer rfts to IXI Pack Group.

Tuesday
Mar 6

- (1) Gen. BROWNING met G.O.O. 234 Div for first time.
- (ii) 100 Pioneer rfts to 39 Pioneer Group.

Wednesday
Mar 7

- (1) Maj. CARMEN-JENT arrived on liaison visit, bringing Odamm.
- BAB for duty as clerk, MIA L.O. Brit Inoc.
- (ii) 100 Pioneer rfts to 2 Pioneer Group.

Thursday
Mar 8

- (1) Discussed common problems with Maj. CARMEN-JENT.
- (ii) 100 pioneer rfts to 53 Pioneer Group.

Friday
Mar 9

- (1) Maj. CARMEN-JENT returned to 8 Army.
- (ii) Gen. TAMASSIA, Ital Welfare, arrived at Brit Inoc.
- Conference - AGS(PB) 15 Army Group, AG, DAG, Welfare, Maj. GRICO, Capt NEWTON.
- (iii) Contacted 59 Area ref Gd Bus at SINIA.

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Sunday
Mar 4

- (1) TRIVELIAN to S. GIOVANNI to receive vehicles for 8th Transit Camp.
- (ii) NEWTON to 231 to review clothing situation.
- (iii) Two battalions arrived at ARSIZO to be used as rifts.

Monday
Mar 5

- (1) Gen. BROWNING, Col. PIERLEY arrived in FLORENCE.
- Met MIA L.O. Brit Inor
- (ii) 384 Muleteers brought from OAVINO by Brit Inor road tpt.
- (iii) 25 Muleteer rifts to XM Pack Group.

Tuesday
Mar 6

- (1) Gen. BROWNING met G.O.O. 231 Div for first time.
- (ii) 100 Pioneer rifts to 39 Pioneer Group.

Wednesday
Mar 7

- (1) Maj. GAREW-JUNE arrived on liaison visit, bringing Gdsen. BAUS for duty as clerk, MIA L.O. Brit Inor.
- (ii) 100 Pioneer rifts to 2 Pioneer Group.

Thursday
Mar 8

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- (i) Discussed common problems with Maj. GAREW-JUNE.
- (ii) 100 Pioneer rifts to 55 Pioneer Group.

Friday
Mar 9

- (i) Maj. GAREW-JUNE returned to 8 Army.
- (ii) Gen. TAMASSIA, Ital Welfare, arrived at Brit Inor. Conference - AMC(PS) 15 Army Group, AMG, DAG, Welfare, Maj. GESCO, Capt. NEWTON.
- (iii) Contacted 59 Area ref Gd Rns at SINIA.
- (iv) 100 Pioneer rifts for 2 Group.

Saturday
Mar 10

- (i) TRIVELIAN attended Brit Inor conference at Malaria.
- (ii) NEWTON discussed supplies with Q and ST and 231 Div.
- (iii) 100 Pioneer rifts to 46 Group.

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Capt.
MIA L.O.
British Inorment,
Pifth Army.

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SUBJECT: Weekly Liaison Log No. 13

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MIA LO
British Increment 'A' Branch
Rear HQ FIFTH ARMY
CMP

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

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7 Mar 45

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MIA

Sunday
Feb 25
(i) Routine duties
(ii) 51 Muleteers Rfts to XII Pack Group
28 Labour Rfts to Pioneer Group

Monday
Feb 26
(i) Major JONES arrived from ROME with practice AMMO for Pioneer Coys.
(ii) Clothing Conference with 'Q' Brit Inor
(iii) 29 Rfts to XII Pack Group

Tuesday
Feb 27
(i) Routine Duties
(ii) 30 Drivers Rfts to 1000 G.T. Coy

Wednesday
Feb 28th
(i) Conference on Formation of new Italian Service Units.
Reps. of all branches and MIA LO.
(ii) THURFF arrived from EIGHTH ARMY

Thursday
Mar 1
(i) Routine Duties

Friday
Mar 2
(i) Routine Duties

Saturday
Mar 3
(i) Routine Duties

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Capt.,
MIA LO,
British Increment,

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Monday
Feb 26
(i) Major DONES arrived from ROME with practice AMMO for Pioneer Coy.
(ii) Clothing Conference with 'Q' Brit Iner
(iii) 29 R'ts to XII Peak Group

Tuesday
Feb 27
(i) Routine Duties
(ii) 30 Drivers R'ts to 1000 G.T. Coy

Wednesday
Feb 28th
(i) Conference on Formation of new Italian Service Units. Reps. of all branches and MIA LO.
(ii) THURUP arrived from EIGHTH Army

Thursday
Mar 1
(i) Routine Duties

Friday
Mar 2
(i) Routine Duties

Saturday
Mar 3
(i) Routine Duties

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MIA LO,
British Increment,
FIFTH Army.

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MMIA L.O.,
British Increment,
Fifth Army
Camp.

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Phone No: Lightning Bear 350

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WEEKLY LIAISON LOG NO. 12

Sunday Feb 18	(i) Discussed Medical procedure for Gruppi with AIMS, Br Incr. (ii) Visit from Major HEDGE with ref Forestry Coys. (iii)
Monday Feb 19	(i) Routine duties
Tuesday Feb 20	(i) Discussed patrol for Guard Regt with 59 Area. (ii) Arranged for enlargement of AREZZO Transit Camp. (iii) 20 Muleteers to XXI Pack Group
Wednesday Feb 21	(i) Went to SIENA to meet Major GRIGSON. Discussed needs of Guardn Regt with G.II and Commander 59 Area.
Thursday Feb 22	(i) Maj GRIGSON visited this HQ from SIENA. (ii) Capt THURPP paid liaison visit from EIGHTH Army. (iii)
Friday Feb 23	(i) Maj GRIGSON returned to ROME. (ii) Capt THURPP returned to EIGHTH Army.
Saturday Feb 24	(i) Routine duties

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Capt.,
MMIA L.O.,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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SUBJECT: Weekly Liaison Log No. 11

MOIA IO
British Increment 'A' Branch
Rear HQ FIFTH Army
CMF

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

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21 Feb 45

MOIA HQ

Sunday (i) 55 Rfts to Pioneer Group
Feb 11 (ii) Routine duties.

Monday (i) 60 Rfts to Pioneer Group
Feb 12 (ii) Routine Duties

Tuesday (i) 30 Rfts to Pioneer Group
Feb 13 (ii) Routine duties.

Wednesday (i) 10 Rfts to Pioneers
Feb 14 (ii) 64 Rfts to XXI Pack Group

Thursday (i) Major EGERTON visiting this HQ from LEGMANO Group
Feb 15 (ii) Lt. TREVELLYAN reported for duty as Asst. MOIA IO, Brit Incr.
(iii) 60 Rfts to Pioneer Group

Friday (i) Visited 231 Div with Brig. MATTHEWS, Commander 59 Area
Feb 16 (ii) and his DACMG to discuss Guards Regiment.
(iii) 29 Rfts to Pioneer Group

Saturday (i) Capt HUNT, UMI inspected IO's vehicle.
Feb 17 (ii) Routine duties.

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a.m. meeting 2845
MOIA IO,
British Increment,
FIFTH Army.

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AG
MILIA A.O.,
British Increment,
Fifth Army,
CAMP

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

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11 Feb 45

WEEKLY LIAISON LOG NO. 10

Sunday Feb 4	(1) (2)	With Brig Jones to visit Gen HARRIS. Col HOAKES called meeting of L.Os at FLORENCE. Present: Lt-Col MORLAFFY, Maj VAN KIRK, Maj GAREW-HUNT, Capt BOURNE, C. P. HARRIS.
Monday Feb 5	(3) (4) (1) (2)	Col HOAKES discussed general situation with Brig Jones. Lt Pioneer Labour Rfts to 2 Group Col HOAKES visited various Departments, British Increment. Col HOAKES visited GOC 231 Div and inspected the Clothing Depot.
Tuesday Feb 6	(3)(a) (b) (1) (2)	478 Rfts arrived at Div Depot FLORENCE. 19 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 2 Group. Col HOAKES left FLORENCE to visit 8 Army.
Wednesday Feb 7	(1) (2)	Visit from Lt MATHIES, B.L.O. at ARZEO Transit Camp. 119 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 2 Group.
Thursday Feb 8	(1) (2)	Discussed allocation policy for Pioneer Rfts with ADL, Br Ince. 60 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 34 Gr
Friday Feb 9	(1) (2) (3)	Col HOAKES and Newton visited Brig Mathies, Comd 59 Area to discuss policy for Gd Rns at SIENA. Newton discussed Welfare with Brig Mathies and Lt-Col NICOLLS, P.C. FLORENCE.
Saturday Feb 10	(1)	Routine duties.

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Monday
Feb 5

(1) Col NOAKES visited various Regiments, 231 Div and inspected the Clothing Depot.
(2) Col NOAKES visited COG 231 Div and inspected the Clothing Depot.
(3) (a) 478 Rfts arrived at Div Depot FLORENCE.
(b) 19 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 2 Group.
(1) Col NOAKES left FLORENCE to visit 8 Army.
(2)

Tuesday
Feb 6

(1) Visit from Lt MATHEWS, B.L.O. at ARSENAL Transit Camp.
(2) 119 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 2 Group.

Wednesday
Feb 7

(1) Discussed allocation policy for Pioneer Rfts with ALL, Mr Ince.
(2) 60 Pioneer Labour Rfts to 34 Group.

Thursday
Feb 8

(1) Col NOAKES and Newton visited Brig Mathews, Comd 59 Area to discuss policy for Gd Ruz at SIENA.
(2) Newton discussed Welfare with Brig Mathews and Lt-Col NICHOLS, P.C. FLORENCE.
(3)

Friday
Feb 9

(1) Routine duties.
(2)

Saturday
Feb 10

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To: MILIA HQ.

WALKER LIAISON LOG NO. 2.

- SUNDAY
JAN 28
1. Arrangements for 500 volunteers with Delegation of
 2. 40 Rfts to 1000 G.F. Coy.

- MONDAY
JAN 29
1. 50 Engineers to 1st It. Eng. Coy.
 2. Routine Duties.

- TUESDAY
JAN 30
1. 57 Engineers to 1st It. Eng. Coy.
 2. Routine Duties.

- WEDNESDAY
JAN 31
1. Clothing Conference at 231 Div.
 2. 60 Pioneer Rfts to 2 Pioneer Group
 3. 25 Muleteer Rfts to XII Pack Group

- THURSDAY
FEB 1
1. Brigadier R.M.M. Jones, Deputy Chief of Staff (British) Fifth Army, visited 231 Div with Newton. Inspected HQ and Clothing Depot.
 2. 36 Muleteer Rfts to XII Pack Group.

- FRIDAY
FEB 2.
1. 122 Pioneer Rfts to 39 Group and 2 Group
 2. Routine Duties.

- SATURDAY
FEB 3
1. C II 2 Dist visited this office to discuss administration of Guards Regt at SIENA
 2. Col. F.J. Hodges arrived in VIENNA from Rome.
 3. 60 Pioneer Rfts to 55 Group.

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JAN 28 2. 40 Rfts to 1000 G.F. Coy.

MONDAY
JAN 29

1. 50 Engineers to 1st Lt. Eng. Coy.
2. Routine Duties.

TUESDAY
JAN 30

1. 57 Engineers to 1st Lt. Eng. Coy.
2. Routine Duties.

WEDNESDAY
JAN 31

1. Clothing Conference at 234 Div.
2. 60 Pioneer Rfts to 2 Pioneer Group
3. 25 Muleteer Rfts to XII Pack Group

THURSDAY
FEB 1

1. Brigadier R.H.M. Jones, Deputy Chief of Staff (British) Fifth Army, visited 234 Div with Newton. Inspected HQ and Clothing Depot.
2. 36 Muleteer Rfts to XII Pack Group.

FRIDAY
FEB 2.

1. 122 Pioneer Rfts to 39 Group and 2 Group
2. Routine Duties.

SATURDAY
FEB 3

1. C II 2 Dist visited this office to discuss administration of Guards Regt at SIEMA
2. Col. F.J. Hoopes arrived in FLORENCE from ROME.
3. 60 Pioneer Rfts to 55 Group.

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MMTA HQ

Sunday
Jan 21

1. Discussed admin. of 519 Cds. Bn. with 2 Dist
2. Routine Duties.

Monday
Jan 22

1. Routine Duties

Tuesday
Jan 23

1. Lt- Col. Percival arrived fro ROME
2. Routine Duties.

Wednesday
Jan 24

1. Routine Duties

Thursday
Jan 25

1. Visited 964 Fd. Hosp at SIGMA with ADMS, Br Incr and Direttore di Sanita, 231 Div.
2. Routine Duties

Friday
Jan 26

1. 405 Reinforcements arrived at 231 Div. Depot FLORENCE.
2. Routine Duties.

Saturday
Jan 27

1. Discussed voluntary enlistment scheme with rep. of Delegazione 'T'
2. 239 Reinforcements arrived at 231 Div. Depot FLORENCE

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WEEKLY LIAISON LOG No. 7

Sunday Jan 14	(1) Visited 231 Div HQ with DA & QMG, Brit Increment. (ii) Routine duties.
Monday Jan 15	(i) Routine duties.
Tuesday Jan 16	(i) 7 Muleteer Reinforcements sent to IXI Pack Group. (ii) Routine duties.
Wednesday Jan 17	(i) Discussed Welfare with Del. 'T', Welfare Officer. (ii) 17 Labour reinforcements sent to Pioneer Groups. (iii) Routine duties.
Thursday Jan 18	(i) Routine duties.
Friday Jan 19	(i) Clothing conference with 'Q' Branch, Brit Increment. (ii) Routine duties.
Saturday Jan 20	(i) Routine duties.

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Monday Jan 15	(1) Routine duties.
Tuesday Jan 16	(1) 7 Muleteer Reinforcements sent to XXI Pack Group. (ii) Routine duties.
Wednesday Jan 17	(i) Discussed Welfare with Del. 'T' Welfare Officer. (ii) 17 Labour reinforcements sent to Pioneer Groups. (iii) Routine duties.
Thursday Jan 18	(1) Routine duties.
Friday Jan 19	(1) Clothing conference with 'Q' Branch, Brit Increment. (ii) Routine duties.
Saturday Jan 20	(1) Routine duties.

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MMTA HQ

Sunday (1) Discussed leave for reinforcements from Blakana with AAG & Staff
 Jan 7 (ii) 25 Pioneer Rfts allocated from Div. Depot.

Monday (1) Welfare discussion with Labour Branch and 231 Div. Welfare Officer.
 Jan 8 (ii) 23 Pioneer Rfts. allocated from Div. Depot.

Tuesday (1) Routine Activities
 Jan 9

Wednesday (1) 25 Pioneer Rfts allocated from Div Depot.
 Jan 10 (ii) Routine activities

Thursday (1) Clothing conference at 231 Div.
 Jan 11 (ii) 22 Pioneer Rfts allocated from Div. Depot.

Friday (1) Routine activities
 Jan 12

Saturday (1) Discussed Patriots with Gen. BERTICA.
 Jan 13 (ii) Routine activities.

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MMIA HQ

9 Jan 45

Sunday (1) Major FIELDMAN visited this HQ from Borgo S. Lorenzo
Dec 31 (11) 33 Reinforcements sent to 55 Pioneer Group

Monday (1) First general allocation of clothing to all Units.
Jan 1

Tuesday (1) Visited 231 Div HQ with Brigadier NAPIER, DA & CMG, AFHQ.
Jan 2 (11) 19 Reinforcements to XXI Pack Group

Wednesday Routine Duties
Jan 3

Thursday Routine Duties
Jan 4

Friday (1) Conference with AIMS & AIL British Increment about the
Jan 5 high wastage rate through trivial illnesses.

Saturday Routine Duties
Jan 6

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MCIA HQ

Weekly Liaison Log No 4

Sunday Dec 24	(1) Newton attended service for Italian troops with Gen NASTRI.
Monday Dec 25	(1) Newton, Gen Manneli and Welfare Officer attended reception for Italian soldiers from the front.
Tuesday Dec 26	(1) 22 muleteer rfts to XI Pack Group.
Wednesday Dec 27	(1) Newton to MCIA HQ Rome. (ii) 25 muleteers to XI Pack Group. 50 Pioneer rfts to 402 Labour Regt.
Thursday Dec 28	(1) Newton at MCIA HQ Rome. (ii) Herbert admitted to hospital Borgo S Lorenzo. (iii) 26 muleteers rfts to XI Pack Group. 60 Pioneer rfts to 410 and 417 Labour Regts.
Friday Dec 29	(1) Newton returned to Florence. (ii) 25 muleteers to XI Pack Group. 41 Pioneer rfts to various Labour Coys.
Saturday Dec 30	(1) Herbert evacuated to hospital, Naples. (ii) 25 muleteer rfts to XI Pack Group.

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(i) Newton, Gen Hamel and Welfare Officer attended reception for Italian soldiers from the front.

Tuesday
Dec 26
(1) 22 Muleteer rfts to XI1 Pack Group.

Wednesday
Dec 27
(i) Newton to MGIA HQ Rome.
(ii) 25 Muleteers to XI1 Pack Group.
(iii) 60 Pioneer rfts to 402 Labour Regt.

Thursday
Dec 28
(i) Newton at MGIA HQ Rome.
(ii) Herbert admitted to hospital Borgo S Lorenzo.
(iii) 25 Muleteers rfts to XI1 Pack Group.
60 Pioneer rfts to 410 and 417 Labour Regts.

Friday
Dec 29
(i) Newton returned to Florence.
(ii) 25 Muleteers to XI1 Pack Group.
(iii) 41 Pioneer rfts to various Labour Cogs.

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Saturday
Dec 30
(i) Herbert evacuated to hospital, Naples.
(ii) 25 Muleteer rfts to XI1 Pack Group.

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MGIA HQ,
British Increment Fifth Army,

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