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Bn Monte Mariano

June - Dec. 1944

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SEC. 44

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CLOSED 20 Dec. 44

Subject: Move of (MONTAGNARO Bn.

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MOV VAIRANO

201930A

TO MOVING D) IL 615 REGGIO, AC TN REGGIO, RTO REGGIO, ESO MESSINA

INFO 56 AREA, 701 RELY GD DIV, AC TN PALERMO, MOV CATANIA, RAAC MIA, DISTHREE, 204 SUB AREA, TOWN MAJOR MESSINA, HQ ALCON, MIA LO NAPLES, RTO CANCELLO, RTO SALERNO, RTO PONTECAGNANO, DELEGAZIONE TRASPORTI MILITARI NAPLES.

VR/P/667

RESTRICTED

Dep VAIRANO 201850A for PALERMO (.) MONTAGNARO Bn 19 officers

531 ORs in 26 box cars (.) Baggage 50 tons in 5 box cars (.)

O C Col MICHELE PALMONE (.)

SGD Capt RE

SD DISTR:

SD/13/3

SD/28

SD/2/1/6

SD/50

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C O P Y

FROM: MOVWIT

200942

TO : (1) 56 AREA (2) MOV VAIRANO (3) 701 HY GD DIV (4) DEL 615 REGGIO (5)
AC TN REGGIO (6) AC TN PALERMO (7) MOV CATANIA (8) RTO -- REGGIO (9)
ESO MESSINA ~~XXX~~

INFO: (10) RAAC (11) MMIA (12) DISTHREE (13) 204 SUB AREA (14) TOWN MAJOR
MESSINA (15) HQ ALOOM (16) MMIA LO NAPLES (17) RTO CASERTA (18) RTO
CANCELLO (19) RTO SALERNO (20) RTO PONTECAGNANO (21) DELEGAZIONE
TRASPORTI MILITARI NAPLES

MOV/R/111

RESTRICTED

Ref our MOV/R/104 of 18 December (.) Departure delayed 18 hrs (.)

Timings from BATTIPAGLIA onwards put back 24 hrs

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

1770

WB

C O P Y

FX 71471
DEC 192040A

C/4772
DEC 200830A
PRIORITY

30

AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PROCT
HQ ALCON INFO: DISTRES, VITA, AG SARDINIA.

S E C R E T

Ref your 8386 of 18 December and 8374 of 18 December neither to
3 DISTRICT.

1. MONTEGRANERO Battalion (36 officers and 786 EN) now enroute from
VAIRANO and JESI to PALERMO with eta 22 Dec to reinforce CARABINIERI.

2. Italian Guards Battalion (CALABRIA Division with approx strength 800)
will be moved from SARDINIA to CALABRIA with eta 10 to 12 days hence. This
Battalion will replace the two Battalions of the AOSTA Division now on guard
duty in CALABRIA. Upon relief the 2 Bns of the AOSTA Division will move to
SICILY to rejoin their Division.

3. For 3 DISTRICT. You will make arrangements to re-equip the Italian Guards
Bn immediately upon its arrival in CALABRIA. All possible preparations will be
made in order that relief of the 2 Bns of the AOSTA Division may be completed
with minimum delay.

ek DIST: Action- F Safety (2)
Info- Chief Commissioner, C o S, CA Sec,
Land Forces, File

SD DISTR: AG, SD/13/3, SD/28, SD/2/1/6, Nov (2), SD/50, Fleet

1769

SUBJECT: Move of MONTICRANERO

Mov/E/104
Dec 18/1610

9/18

29

C/4653
DEC 19/0845
IMPORTANT

MOVIT

ACTION: 56 AREA, MOV VAIRANO, 701 RY GD DIV, DEL 615 REGIO, AGN
TN REGGIO, AC TN PALERMO, MOV CATANIA, RTO REGGIO, ESO MESSINA
INFO: RAAC, MMIA, DISTHRE, 204 SUB AREA CASERTA, RTO SALERNO, RTO
PONTICAGNANO, DELEGAZIONE TRASPORTI MILITARI NAPLES

CONFIDENTIAL.

Ref RAAC signal 8329 of 17 Dec not to all. MONTICRANERO Bn less
533 Coy 30 offrs 620 ORS 30 tons stores move by rail 19 Dec from
VAIRANO to PALERMO via CODOLA cut off BATTIPAGLIA and GIOIA TAURO.
30 box cars in position 190700 dep 191400 Eta BATTIPAGLIA 200500
REGGIO for MESSINA ferry early am 21 Dec PALERMO AM 22 Dec. Del
615 REGGIO will arrange transfer at PETRACCI bridge. All personnel
will entrain with full water bottles 7 days rations.

ek

Capt. RE

SD DISTR:
SD/13/3
SD/28
SD/50
SD/2/1/6 ✓

1768

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE FHGOT
TO DISTONE FOR ACTION
INFO MOV VAIRANO 56 AREA DGMPS ROME MOV ROME 61 AREA
AAI ALGOM MMIA DISTONE MOVWIT

161900A

SD/2/1/6

FX 69865

SECRET

All rpt all movement MONTEGRANO Battalion less 533 (9) Company
is postponed (.) Following signals are cancelled (.) AAI SD 1828. of
11th (.) AFHQ FX 68449 of 14th (.) AFHQ FX 68182 of 13th (.) NOT all to all

cgl

DISTR.

G (3)

MOV (2)

FLCAT

CM/13/3

SD/28

SD/2/1/6

SD/50

1767

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C O P Y

FROM: HQ ALCOM

TO : AFHQ C-5 and C-6

17/12/44

INFO: HQ AAI
DISTONE
DISTHREE
61 AR-BA
MMIA
MOVWIT

8329

CONFIDENTIAL

PARA ONE (.) REFERENCE OUR 8309 OF 16 DECEMBER (.)

PARA TWO (.) IT HAS BEEN AGREED BY MMIA AND PUBLIC SAFETY
ALLIED COMMISSION AND THE GENERAL COMMAND OF CARABINIERI
THAT THE MONTESARAZZO BATTALION WILL MOVE TO PALERMO (.)
PLEASE ARRANGE FOR 20 OFFICERS AND 420 MEN AND 30 TONS OF
BAGGAGE TO MOVE FROM VAIANO TO PALERMO AND 6 OFFICERS AND
160 MEN AND 20 TONS OF BAGGAGE FROM JESI TO PALERMO (.) THEY
WILL REPORT TO THE LEGION COMMANDER CARABINIERI IN PALERMO (.)
PLEASE NOTIFY PUBLIC SAFETY ALLIED COMMISSION OF EXPECTED
TIME OF ARRIVAL IN PALERMO

PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

WB

SD DIST.: SD/13/3
SD/28
SD/2/1/4
Mov (2)
SD/50
FLOAT

1786

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C O P Y

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED SITE FLEET

TO : DISTREE

141132

INFO: MOVNIT
AAI
ALCOM
MMIA
DISTONE

FX 68449

RESTRICTED

Reference AAI SD 1828 dated 11 (.) Para 1 (.) MONTICRANERO
BN. less 533 Coy. strength 30 Officers, 620 other ranks,
30 tons stores will move under orders DISTREE on or after
18 December from FAIRANO to ROME (.)

Para 2 (.) On arrival passes to under command ALCOM for
conversion to Carabinieri (.)

Para 3 (.) For AAI (.) This agreed ALCOM as result DISTONE
signal SD 25 of 12

DIST:

INFO-ACTION : PUB SAFETY (2)
INFO : Chief Commissioner
O A Sec
Land Forces
FILE

MMIA DIST.: C (SD/2/1/6 ✓
SD/13/3
SD/28 *c
SD/50)

Mov (2)
FLOAT (1)

1765

Subject: Move of HAWTHORNE.

766/11

Copy to: 0 (4) ✓
FLORE (1)
SENR (1)

14/12

REF:

PK 68162

DN 131910X

4/3998

170 1,20334

ROUTING

AFHQ HAWTHORNE SAGGED GITE PUSON

MOVING, 701, RLE GRAND FIV, NW VAIKAD, DUBERT, 56 ABM, WAT ARI, DASH ROR, NEW ROR, DUBERT, 61 ABM, WAT, 70 ABM

COMPUTING.

HAWTHORNE On less 553 Coy strength 50 officers, 620 men with 30 tons stores will move by rail from VAIKAD to ABM on 18 December. Details of rolling stock and departure timing is under arrangement HAWTHORNE.

SD Diak

SD/13/3

SD/128

SD/50

SD/21/60

Capt. H.R.
(The Lord Sordbury)
Movements Liaison Officer

1764

766/10

Subject: Move of MONTEGRANERO.

12/12

Original & Copy G ✓

Copy SMRE
Float
Public Safety

13/12

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Copy of DISTONE signal SD 25 dated 12 Dec is passed to you for information.

FROM DISTONE 121925A

TO MAIN AAI

INFO AFHQ - HQ ALCOM - MMIA - 61 AREA - CAO ANCONA

SD25 CONFIDENTIAL. REF MAIN AAI SD 1780 OF 6 DEC AND SD 1828 OF 11 DEC. REQUEST
POSTPONEMENT MOVE MONTEGRANERO BN FROM VAIERANO AND JESI TO ANCONA IN VIEW ACCDN
SITUATION AND FACT THAT CAO ANCONA STATES PERSONNEL NOT YET REQUIRED FOR DUTY
BT

SENT NR304 2XX 0242 WB B KK

RECD NR 304 0241A JN BB

Westbury
Capt. RE
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer

1763

✓
SD/2/1/6

FROM MAIN AAI

111405A

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TO AFHQ

INFO MMIA DISTONE, HQ AICOM

SD 1828

RESTRICTED

Request you move MONTEGRANERO BN less 533 Coy by
rail from VAIRANO to ANCONA during period 18 to 24 Dec.
Strength 30 Offrs 620 ORs 30 tons stores. On arrival
comes under Comd Allied Commission. For DISTONE.
Above are for duty with CC RR at ANCONA.

ROUTINE

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MMIA DIST: G (2)
Mov (2)
FLCAT

G Dist: SD/13/3 A/c
SD/11/6
SD/50

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LEKH V LAEE NR 19

QVR 1

FROM AFHQ G-3 (ORG) FOREIGN

191352A

TO MMIALO 62 BLU 02E CMF

GR 21 BT

RESTRICTED DISPOSAL MONTEGRANERO BN UNDER DISCUSSION X FX 54599 SIGNED
SAC CITE FMGCT X UNIT WILL REMAIN PRESENT LOCATION PENDING DECISION FU//
FUTURE ROLE BT 191352A BZ/Y//

✓ SENT R 19 19/1500A DS B K

RCD 19/1500A HRA KKK

9/13/62 Land Forces 60/9

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See
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SD/50

L. J. Neale
21/11
191550

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MESSAGE FOR

From : MMIA
To (For Action) AFHQ
To (Info) : MMIA LO LEGNARD

Date - Time

16 A

SD - 1/16/67 23

Mc 65 670
inf 50/50
55/5

SD 1802

RESTRICTED

NW

Request you move MONTAGNARO Bn consisting of average personnel from VAIRAN and suggest placed at disposal Distree for Guard duties (.) Strength 30 Offrs 620 ORs (.) For MMIA LO (.) Your SD 31 of 14 refers

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Precedence URGENT

Authenticating
Officer

S. B. DEERDEN, Lt Col GS

Spec Sec
AQ
2 5/c

Nov Paul
Copy 1780

785020

ARMY FORM O 2186 (Small)			MESSAGE FORM		Register No.												
Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission instructions														
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY																	
FROM (A)	Originator		Date-Time of Origin		OFFICE DATE STAMP original 50/13/3												
MMAA LO LECNANO BRUPPO		14 09 15															
For Action																	
JR MMAA.																	
(W) For information (INFO)																	
64 BRN.																	
Originator's No. 50 31 Confidential O MONTEBRANCHO warned to move L ANCONA O 31 possible request this move take place to move of LECNANO BRUPPO owing to shortage of upl facilities to railhead.																	
THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT WIRELESS																	
SIGNED		IF LIABLE TO BE INTERRUPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CODE SIGNED		ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY more low													
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SUBJECT: Verification of Strength Return.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

SD 2/16
5 Nov 44

Ministry of War.

The strength of Montegrano Bn vide strength return no 01/3/D d1 prot of 28 Oct shows 634 all ranks.

The ration return vide ST/8 of 21 Oct shows a strength for the above unit of 1,141 all ranks.

Will you please explain the difference.

Major General
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT: MONTESANO Battalion

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Lead Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(MIA)

SD/2/1/6

1 Nov 44

TO : War Ministry

Your 303553/C.A. of 30 Oct 44 is answered by this H.Q.
letter SD/28 of 28 Oct 44.

Alto
Major General
M.M.I.A.

Copy to SD/28

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto 5/21/6 ~~5/21/30~~ rec³¹/₁₀

Dist. N^o 303653 / C. Allegade.
317.V.2
Responde al f. del

Roma, P.R. 151, 2 ottobre 1944

Quintus J. N.

OGGETTO: Battaglione Alpini Monte Granero.

Monte Ranone Aprile En 50

ALMA MATER

ON A

Per non intralciare le operazioni di riordinamento in corso da parte del gruppo combattimento Legnano sarebbe necessario destinare al più presto la posizione del Battaglione Alpini Monte Granero. Sarei, pertanto, lieto a codesta M.M.I.A. se volesse far conoscere le determinazioni prese nei riguardi delle proposte inoltrate con lettera 302239/C.A. del 12 corrente.

IL SOTTOSCRITTARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Generale G. L. OLIVA)

E. d. b.

Al M.M.I.A.

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P O M A

Per non intralciare le operazioni di riordinamento in corso da parte del gruppo combattimento Legnano sarebbe necessario definire al più presto la posizione del battaglione Alpini Monte Granero. Sarei, pertanto, grato a codesta M.M.I.A. se volesse far conoscere le determinazioni prese nei riguardi delle proposte inoltrate con lettera 302239/C.A. del 12 corrente.

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IL SOTTOSGEGNATARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Generale G.B. OVETTA)

G. B. Ovetta

URQ 1456

May 15th
Ref. att.
12 RIF 24 OCT

1. Montegranaro is deposited as follows:

(1) One bag (to be 1st bag) in Dist of 100 old men. (or was with)

(2) Remains of her is with, a L. G. P. 11.000
counted 91, it is composed of a
old man for identification.
Young man.

2. Did you please ask what is the position re the old man for identification in 10 above.

How many?
Where are they?
What day of month?

3. We will then answer att. 10th.

① Reminded of he is with, a LEPWASO
 count 11, it is composed of
 old man for rehabilitation.
 young man.

Did you please ask what is the
 position in the old man for
 rehabilitation in (18) above.

How many?

Where are they?

What day of month?

Yes. We will then answer with. All.

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 3-2

19
 10

A.S. If City should with
 Calcutt please return
 this.

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Roma,



Ministero delle Corporazioni

N. _____

Risposta alla lettera

del

Dir.

Ses.

N.

OGGETTO

Allegati N. _____

Riprodurre il _____

Indirizzo _____

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OGGETTO

Allegati N.

Riprodurre il

Indirizzo

Membri di

copie di

Translation

10/3/44

From: M. of W. Ref: 302239/CA/317/V.2.

To: M.M.I.A. Dat: 3 - Oct. 1944.

Subject: The "MONTE GRANERO" Alpini Bn. 29¹⁰

1) The reorganization now taking place in the formation of the "Vignani" Combat Grp. should include disbandment of the Monte Granero Alpini (strength about 1000 men) as it is formed by men of early age groups ~~most~~ of which are entitled to release.

2) The men, though, would have to be used in labour units as they leave their families in Italy, not yet liberated.

3) In recognition of the excellent service rendered by the Bn. during operations with the C.I.L. I suggest the Bn. is not disbanded but employed as such on guard duties. It could replace one of the guard Bns. allowing it to be employed in other duties.

4) The 533 Ind. Guard Coy. formed by 150 men of the a/n Bn. (See M.M.I.A. letter USA 9/25/44 dated 30th. Sept. para 3 a)) could, ~~be~~ should, ~~be~~ ^{be} sent with your approval,

if which are entitled to release.

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(Sgd) Gen. OX161A.

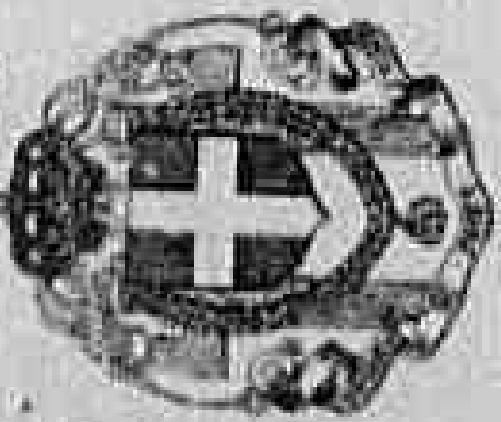
~~T. J. S. C.~~

S.C. Q. has
asked to see
last letter

Very
true.

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TU/ve



302239/C.A.
317.V.2-

Ministero della Guerra

CABINETTO

18
TPT 13/10

P.M. 151, 12 ottobre 1944

OGGETTO: Battaglione Alpini Monte Granero

Alpini Batt. Monte Granero

ALLA M.M.I.A. -

R O M A

- 1) Nella trasformazione in atto per la costituzione del gruppo di combattimento "Legnano" il Battaglione alpini Monte Granero (forza mille uomini circa), essendo costituito di elementi anziani aventi diritto a congedo dovrebbe essere sciolto.
- 2) I suoi componenti, però, non potendo fruire del congedo perché aventi famiglia in territorio non ancora liberato dovrebbero essere utilizzati per unità lavoratori.
- 3) In segno di riconoscimento per il bel comportamento del reparto nelle operazioni cui ha partecipato con il C.I.L. propongo che il battaglione non venga sciolto ma impiegato in blocco in servizi di guardia. Potrebbe sostituire uno dei previsti battaglioni guardia che verrebbe utilizzato per altro impiego.
- 4) La 533^a Compagnia autonoma guardia, costituita con 150 elementi già appartenenti al M. Granero (v. lettera di codesta M.M.I.A. N.S.A. Q/9 del 30/9, capo 3°, lettera a) ove la proposta di cui sopra venisse accolta potrebbe rientrare al battaglione di provenienza.

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OGGETTO: Battaglione Alpini Monte Granero

Alpini Batt. Monte Granero

ALLA M.M.I.A. -

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IL SOTTOSCRITTARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Generale G.B. ORTICA)

G. Ortica

52/13/4 fo 42

To :- 'G' (Internal). ✓
S.M.R.E. (Ufficio Trasporti).

SD/21/6.7 (17)
From :- Mov. L.O. (MEMIA).

22 Jun 44.

Copy of MOVWIT signal TO 156 dated 21 Jun 44 is given below.

FROM MOVWIT

TO MEMIA. MOV MEMIA.

TO 156 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref our Q(M)R/25A (.) First train MONTEBRANERO Bn (Italian) 8 offrs 222 ORs 224 animals G1098 guns and carts departed CASORIA 211630 in 39 box (.) Second train departed CASORIA 211730 30 offrs 900 ORs in 39 box (.) Both for ORTONA (.) All informed.

JS/LB.

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Capt. RE.
Mov. L.O.

SPB 22/6

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GLB 22/6

1752

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Move by Rail of Montegranero En (Italian)
Casoria to Ortona 21 June 44

HQ 57 Area (3)
MILA LO, HQ ACC Main
Movements Ortona
Movements Foggia (2)
CO 701 Ry Gd Div (TC)
CO 703 Ry Gd Div (TC)
RTO Casoria

Noted. Wood
I BB
G-2 of 7016

HQ Movements,
West Italy.

At I

R(M)R/25A
15 June 44

Hv 44114
Recd.

1. Reference Filpot Signal Mov 1047 of 15 June not to all.
2. Montegranero En (Italian) strength 40 Officers 1153 ORs 11 Carts 4 Guns and 223 mules will move in two special trains from Casoria to Ortona on 21 June.
3. The following arrangements have been made with CO 701 Ry Gd Div for supplying and placing rolling stock.

Train 1 29 Box Cars 12 opens positioned at Casoria Station 0800 hrs
20 June. Depart 1100 hrs 21 June.
Train 2 39 Box Cars positioned at Casoria Station 0800 hrs 21 June.
Depart 1300 hrs 21 June.

4. In accordance with verbal agreement of date with MILA LO (HQ ACC Main) and 57 Area, Train 1 will consist of the carts, guns, mules and part personnel. Train 2 will consist of the balance of personnel.
5. The mules will not be loaded into rail cars until AM 21 June and arrangements will be made for them to be fed and watered immediately prior to entrainment. An escort will be detailed to look after the animals during transit and will carry 48 hours fodder together with buckets or other suitable containers for watering en route if this should be necessary.

6. Timings.

<u>Train 1</u>	Casoria dep 1100 hrs Jun 21	) RTO Casoria will ensure that loading of stores, mules and personnel is completed by 1930 hrs 21 Jun.
	Foggia arr 2359 hrs Jun 21	
	Ortona arr 1200 hrs approx 22 Jun	
<u>Train 2</u>	Casoria dep 1300 hrs Jun 21	) RTO Casoria will ensure that entrainment is completed by 1230 hrs 21 Jun.
	Foggia arr 0400 hrs Jun 22	
	Ortona arr 1400 hrs approx Jun 22	

7. It will be necessary for arrangements to be made for watering facilities for the mules to be available immediately upon arrival of Train 1 at Ortona and if this train should be running late a watering halt en route will be necessary, to be agreed between Movements Foggia and Movements Ortona.
8. All personnel will entrain with full water bottles and two days rations.

Train 1 29 Box Cars 10 engines positioned at Casoria Station 0800 hrs
20 June. Depart 1100 hrs 21 June.
Train 2 39 Box Cars positioned at Casoria Station 0300 hrs 21 June.
Depart 1300 hrs 21 June.

4. In accordance with verbal agreement of date with MIA LO (HQ ACC Main) and 57 Area, Train 1 will consist of the carts, guns, mules and part personnel. Train 2 will consist of the balance of personnel.
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6. Timings.

Train 1

Casoria	dep 1100 hrs Jun 21	) RTO Casoria will ensure that loading of stores, mules and personnel is completed by 1030 hrs 21 Jun.
Foggia	arr 2359 hrs Jun 21	
Ortona	arr 1200 hrs approx 22 Jun	

Train 2

Casoria	dep 1300 hrs Jun 21	) RTO Casoria will ensure that entrainment is completed by 1230 hrs 21 Jun.
Foggia	arr 0400 hrs Jun 22	
Ortona	arr 1400 hrs approx Jun 22	

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8. All personnel will entrain with full water bottles and two days rations.
9. All vehicles, apart from those referred to in para 2 above will move by road under unit arrangements.
10. An advance party will be despatched 24 hrs ahead of the main rail party with representative to HQ Utili Div (CIL).

LTC/JE.

Copy to:- Movements HQ AAI

DC/ES

MIA

Movements MIA

HQ 3 District

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Movements West Italy (2)

Movements Palcoorps

2 Polish Corps

5 Corps

Delegazione Trasporti Militari Naples

CC 715 Ry Ops Bn (TC)

FPS Rail Div

O I/C Traffic Office

RTO Casoria

HQ Casoria

HQ Movements, West Italy.

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MESSAGE FORM											
Army Form C-2130		IN		OUT		Serial No. 17/17		Office Date Stamp			
C. A. INSTRUCTIONS		ATTACHED IN QUR 4 QRY 310/17				Name of Group GR.		25		SD/2/1/6	
TO DISTHREE 5 CORPS. POLCORPS. INFO DMID. ACC MAIN FOR DMIDCO.											
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FROM MAIN AAI		3		Originator's Number		Date		In Reply to Number			
				SD1659							
CONFIDENTIAL & Ref my SD1504 of 11 not to POLCORPS & MEANTHGRANER BN moved to under command POLCORPS not 5 CORPS											
This message may be sent As Written by any means except Wireless Signature: _____ This message must be sent in Cipher if liable to interception in to tell with enemy hands Signature: _____ Original's Instructions Degree of Priority 171130											
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L 17		1659		AB							
2780/PMEAX/101,000 Pads - 1.42											

To :- 'G' (Internal).

From :- MOV. L.O. (MMA).

16 June 44.

15 June 44.

I give below copy of FILPOT signal MOV 1047 dated

FROM FILPOT.

TO (1) MOVWIT (2) DGM (3) MMA (4) SUPERTRASPORTI (5) ACC
MAIN FOR OFFENHAUER.
(INFO) (6) MOV FOGGIA (7) MOV ORTONA (8) MOV REAR 5 CORPS (9) MOV
DISTHREE (10) DISTHREE (11) 57 AREA (12) MAIN 5 CORPS
(13) DEPRAIL BARI (14) DELEGAZIONE TRASPORTI MILITARI NAPLES.

MOV 1047 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) MONTEGRANERO BN strength 40 Offrs
1153 ORs 11 carts 4 guns 223 animals will move under your arrangements
from present location AFRAGOLA in two special trains departing
CASORIA 110 hrs and 1300 hrs 21 June to ORTONA (.) Adv party 24 hrs
ahead with rep to HQ UTILI DIV (CIL) (.) Vehs by road under unit
arrangements (.) AAI SD 1504 of 11 refers.

JS/LB.

Wade
Capt. RE.
Mov. L.O.

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MESSAGE FORM

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SD/2/10
12

TO DISTHREE INFO. MOV WIT. MIRA
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FROM 57 AREA

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Q1110 0 CONFIDENTIAL 0 your SD1138 dated 19 0 MONTEGRANERO
ALPINI BN 37 off 1078 on 181 mules now complete
in CONC AREA AFRAGOLA

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C2 (L)

C3

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Precede the word "SECRET" and insert "including"

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2/c 1/c
G-2 (1) G-3
G-3
WAS
10/5

MEQB V MEAV NR 423

CVR 3 A LRNE

FROM DISTHREE 191310 B

TO 57 AREA + MOVWIT

INFO MMIA + 227 ITALIAN COASTAL DIV

QQY GRMET

SD 1138 CONFIDENTIAL • FIRST • M O N T E G R A N E R O

A L P I N I EN NOW ARRIVING NAPLES WILL CONCENTRATE ^{UNDER} COMD 57

AREA BEFORE PASSING TO COMD EIGHTH ARMY • ADM ~~REDACTED~~ THROUGH 227 ^{ITALIAN}

COASTAL DIV •

SECOND • 181 RULES ~~REDACTED~~ BELONGING TO THE EN NOW IN ~~REDACTED~~ PES ^{DEPOT}

WILL MOVE WITH THE UNIT.

THIRD • MOVE SOONEST TO CONCENTRATION AREA UNDER ORDERS MOVWIT

2/ AREA WILL REPORT EARLIEST DATE OF COMPLETION

BT 191312B

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NR IN 423 J A LRNE

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Posu.

QVR 3 A LRNE

FROM DISTREE 191310 E

TO 57 AREA + MOVUIT

INFO MHIA + 227 ITALIAN COASTAL DIV

QQY GRMET

SD 1138 CONFIDENTIAL • FIRST • MONTEGRANERO
ALP I N I BN NOW ARRIVING NAPLES WILL CONCENTRATE ^{UNDER} COMD 57
AREA BEFORE PASSING TO COMD EIGHTH ARMY • ADH ~~██████████~~ THROUGH 227 ^{ITALIAN} ~~██████████~~
COASTAL DIV •

SECOND • 181 MULES ~~██████████~~ BELONGING TO THE BN NOW IN ~~██████████~~ PBS ~~██████████~~ ^{DEPOT}
WILL MOVE WITH THE UNIT.

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~~SD 1138 MONTEGRANERO ALP I N I~~

MONTEGRANERO AP ~~██████████~~ 2000

57 AREA

227 TOT ~~██████████~~ 21 191312 E

SENT ONE AM

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NRB 1/1
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NR 309/18
ELC
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19/5
NRB 1/1
Glt. 19/6/4

FROM AA1 181715

TO DISTHREE

INFO AMIA REAR EIGHTH ARMY

MAIN EIGHTH ARMY PBS NOVMIT

NOV NAPLES

SD1927

CONFIDENTIAL (.)//XOXZ/

MONTENAPHERO ALPINE BN NOW ARRIVING NAPLES WILL CONCENTRATE

UNDER COMD 3 DIST BEFORE PASSING TO COMD EIGHTH ARMY (.)

161 MULES BELONGING TO THE BN NOW IN PBS

DEPOT WILL MOVE WITH THE UNIT (.) 3 DIST

WILL ARRANGE MOVES IN CONJUNCTION WITH NOVMIT

AND REPORT COMPLETION (.) EIGHTH ARMY

WILL SIGNAL FINAL DESTINATION SOONEST (.)

LIST 7 SERIAL 95 REFERS

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Glt. 19/6/4

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ARMY FORM 6155 (Small)			MESSAGE FORM		Register No. <u>9</u>
Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions		
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY					
FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp		
MMIA		18 1000	<u>20/1/16</u>		
TO	For Action		- Message Instructions - GR -		
AAI	(W) For Information (INFO)				
DISTHREE	PBS				
Originator's No.					
50 735 0 Restricted 0 your SD 1891 of 16					
may 0 you SD 1505 of 28 A/12 para found					
refers 0 if employed in normal role in					
instruments in will require all 181 numbers 0					
make NOT available in mainland for this for					
THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SEIZED, REPRODUCED, OR TRANSMITTED IN ANY MANNER WITHOUT THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS					
IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CODE					
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MESSAGE FORM

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54

Serial No. 8/17
Office Date Stamp

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TO FMIA INFO DIST THREE PBS (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

FROM ABI

Originator's Number
SD 1891

Date

In Reply to Number

Restricted @ Det MONTESRAMERO ALPINI BN 4 offrs 96 hrs arrived
Maples with 181 mules @ Request you state whether
181 mules are required to accompany unit or is send
number to be restricted to 35 as indicated by SIMMON
and Balance used ~~the~~ replacements to us accounts
Serial 95 List 7 refers

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Degree of Priority

Dist Yes.

Time of Origin

162150P

Signature

Signature

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MESSAGE FORM											
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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		OUT						No. of Groups GR. 13			
TO MHIA (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)											
FROM LRAR						Originator's Number		Date		In Reply to Number	
SVC 3064, SYS C42 @ H/W information @						replacements to US accounts		unquote		Quote as	
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Signature						Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority IMMEDIATE					
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ARMY FORM 02106 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A) DATA Originator Date-Time of Origin 30 B

Office Date Stamp

For Action

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions OR

Originator's No. SECRET AAI HIGHWAY ARMY

SECRET (*) SECRET (*) Request you alert DATA CHANDRO ALPINE Battalion
for shipment from JARDINIA to mainland complete with personnel stores
transport and missiles (*) AAI will be calling forward after Serial 90 in
Shipping list SEVEN

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WHEN IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MSG. DROPPED OF PRIORITY
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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)

MESSAGE

Register No.

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

SECRET 6

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FROM

(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin.

Office Date Stamp

For Action.

TO 8 Army M/MA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions.

GR

Originator's No

SD1505

SECRET

ACC SARDINIA report begins:
FIRST Organization of MONTEGRANERO br no follow:
Offs 32 NCOs 41 ORs 918 mules 35 vehicles
brigades 2 Machine rifles 27 MGs 4 MGRs 81mm 40

SECONDO Primarily organized and trained for mountain warfare

THIRDO NO 75mm Hows on War Establishment

FOURTHO Bn can be organized to operate without mules provided MPT in mountain vehicles would be required to replace mules

FIFTHO INDIVIDUAL and unit equipment good condition of clothes and boots badly worn

SIXTHO Bn recently organized and personnel excellent condition

SD1505

SECRET

ACC SARDINIA report begins.
 FIRST Organization of MONTEGRANERO bn as follows:-
 Ofcs 32 MCOs 41 ORs 918 mules 35 vehicles
 Engines 2 Machine rifles 27 MGs 9 MORs 81m 40

SECONDO Primarily organized and trained for mountain warfare.

TERZO NO 75mm HOWs on War Establishment.

QUARTO Bn can be organized to operate without mules provided MOTO in mountains. Vehicles would be required to replace mules.

FIFTH INDIVIDUAL and mountain? equipment good condition. Clothes and boots badly worn.

SIXTH Bn recently organized and personnel in excellent condition. 17th

REPORT ENDS.

Am calling forward complete with animals after MOTO dir

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WIRELESS.

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Originator's Instructions, Degree of Priority.

Time TH1 or TOR Time System Op

Signed.

Signed.

Admiral's Instructions

Time Cleared

ACTION SLIP

This slip will NOT be removed

To: 27/4 via GSO 1

1. Attached is Col. SIMMONS reply to AAI's signal (Fols 57)
2. It looks as though the Bu does not possess a 45-man troop, in which case SMRE have informed us wrongly.
3. It now rests with AAI to instruct us to alert & ship the Bu to the mainland.

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FROM

(A) FRES? WAFRES? AGC SARDINIA.

Originator

For Action.

CIPHER SECRET

Date-Time of Origin.

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Office Date Stamp

TO AAI and MMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

CITE SD 14/4

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

W1 1143 cite AKS Y109 O Signed SIMMONS.

SECRET 57

Ref. AAI SD 14/4 23 April 1830 B O
FIRST O 12 MONTEORANERO Bn actually
organized as follows 32 officers 41 NCO's 918
enlisted men 35 mules 16 carts? 2 Bicycles 27
machine rifles 9 M.G.'s 4 MOR 8mm Bn primarily
organized and trained for mountain warfare O
SECOND O NO organized 75mm How in bn O? ypt O? Bn
can be organized to fight without mules
provided warfare NOT conducted a mountain B O
regions O.M.T would be required to replace mules
individual and unit equipment is good condition O
clothing and shoes badly worn Bn recently
organized and is excellent condition as to
personnel

D/48-49

Ref AAI SD 1414 23 April 1830 B O
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		WIRELESS.		THI or TOR	Time Cleared	
Signed.	Signed.	M.M.E. D. P. T.				

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TO FILPOT INFO NIAA PAIR ARMY

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56.

FROM REAR DEPT ARMY

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

Q879 of NIAA SD561 of 21 APRIL 0 No rpe no NIA NILES
available our resources for this unit

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TO FALCON for SIMMONS info MMIA & Army
(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

FROM

AAI

56

Originator's Number

SD 1414

Date

22

In Reply to Number

SECRETOR MMIA SD 561 of 21st April OP 1510 Request you forward following particulars MONTECRANERO B. Organization and rank of B in general terms. Amount of State of equipment ON² of also SECOND Ave 15mm HOF park equipment or road mounted. Can B be organized to fight without miles off so what would be required to replace miles OTHER. Intend to employ B in operational role of state and quantity of equipment permits. OF 04 2TH. Request you signal information of above as soon as possible.

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MESSAGE FORM

(a) T O O 21 2100 B
From AAI rptd 3 ARMY (6) T H I
FALCON

SD561 (*) SECRET (*) Your SD1351 of 19 April
(*) MONTE GRANERO Bn strength 32 offrs 1011 ors
including troop of four 75mm hows ready to embark now
in SARDINIA but will require about 230 mules which
your Q1026 of 19 April says are being requisitioned

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except () wireless liable to interception

Manila
L-64 (IMMEDIATE)
to (2) (6)

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TO MMIA 2ptd 8th ARMY (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM AAI

Originator's Number
SD 1351

Date
192330

In Reply to Number

SECRET

Request	you	Signal	immediately	to (?)	8th
Army	if	any	ALPINI	battalions	available
either	mainland	SARDINIA	or	SICILY	staying
earliest	date	ready	to	move	

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