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1001 G.T. COY

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Army Form C-2130		MESSAGE FORM		Serial No. <u>22/17</u>
CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	(1) M QURI QRY MR25/17	No. of Groups GR.	Office Date Stamp <u>88</u>
	OUT			
TO ST MMIA INFO MMIALO		(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)		<u>SD/6/1</u>
FROM ST DISTWO		Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
ST284 O Understand for 9 MT Regt have received posting instructions to various Italian units for teacher pupils of POLIGNANO driving school O Pupils will not be released from the school until further instructions received from you <i>file 12/15</i> <i>SMILE NOT</i> <i>13290</i>				
This message may be sent As Written by any means (except) (.....) Wireless		This message is not to be sent by any means if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands		Time of Origin <u>171530B</u>
Signature		Signature		T.H.I. <u>171610B</u>
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2288/PMEAX/100,000 Pds	1/42			

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Serial No. 4/12

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Office Date Stamp

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TO MOVE IT INFO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION DISTWO. REAR EIGHTH ARMY
MMIN

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM

AAI

Originator's Number

SD1770

Date

In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL Ref my SD1728 of 4 May NOT to all 6 allied
control commission state 1001 Station Gen Hpt say located
PALO DEL COLLE P28760 essential you contact and
move say immediately as in my SD1622 of 4 May

6: 3289

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by any means
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if liable to interception or to fall into
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SD/6/1
10/5 86

TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION INFO MOVETT. FMIA. AMG REAR 8 ARM
4SD FILPOT. Q. ST. NMIA CO.

FROM DISTWO

Originator's Number

SDI/770

Date

In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL

Request you reply by immediate signal to
AAI SD1622 of 4 May in order that more 1001 Gien Tpt
boy may be effected

NA for 10/5

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by any means
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enemy hands

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Signature

Signature

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TO ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION INFO NOVEIT. MMIA. AM9 REAR8 ARMY
SSD FILPOT. Q. ST. MMIA LO.FROM DISTWO

Originator's Number

SDI/770

Date

In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL Request you reply by immediate signal to
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boy may be effectedNA 10/5This message may be sent As Written
by any means
(except)
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if liable to interception or to fall into
enemy handsOriginator's Instructions
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Signature.....

Signature.....

T.H.I.

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MEGB V LRAR NR1218

T MMIA QVR4

FROM AAI 041130B

TO ALIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INFO MOVEIT DISTWO ~~MMIA~~ MMIA
AMG REAR EIGHTH ARMY

QOX GR77

SD1622

CONFIDENTIAL (.) FURTHER THIS HQ SDD1601 OF 02 (.)
F I R S T (.) UNDERSTOOD ALLOCATION 1001 GEN TPT COY TO
BE HQ AND TWO PLS TO EIGHTH ARMY AREA ONE PL CAMPOBASSO
ONE PL VASTO ALL UNDER COMD AMG (REAR ~~AMG~~
EIGHTH ARMY (.)

REQUEST YOU CONFIRM DETAILS ABOVE AND REPORT
PRESENT STRENGTHS AND LOCATIONS TO MOVEIT WHO WILL

ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS FOR MOVE (.)

~~SECRET~~

SECTION D (.) FOR DISTWO AND MMIA IGNORE MY SD1601 OF 02

THI 1258

RPTN 1218 4 041130 11 1622 1601 9 02 1001

SD1601 02 1258

SENT D M L B1

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RD913

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ARMY FORM C2100 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 50613
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Transmission Instructions

Call

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FROM (A)

MMA

Originator

Date/Time at Origin

0319230

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For Action

Message Instructions - GR -

(W) For Information (INFO)

Originator's No.

CA 636

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BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MESSAGE DEGREE OF PRIORITY
WIRELESS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CODES

Time	System	Op
TH or 100	3236	
Time cleared		

Signed

[Signature]

ACTION

This slip will NOT be removed

To: S+T

I cannot answer second para - Can you?
GI 3/5

GI. Have not been able to obtain necessary
information —

GI

Phoe Meyer Bowles

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MEGB V LRAR NR255

T MMIA QVR2

FROM AAI 022310B

TO AMG CREAR EIGHTH ARMY > MMIA DISTWO

INFO MAIN EIGHTH ARMY REAR EIGHTH ARMY
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

QQX GR76

SD1601

RESTRICTED (.)

F I R S T (.) REF AMG REAR EIGHTH ARMY R/732 OF 1 (.)

1001 GEN TPT COY LESS PL WILL

MOVE FROM 2 DIST AREA TO EIGHTH ARMY UNDER ORDERS

MOV THIS HQ SOONST TO UNDER COMD AMG SEC EIGHTH ARMY (.)

2 DIST WILL SIGNAL STRENGTH ASSIGNED TO EACH

DESTINATION C EIGHTH ARMY AREA ADN

C A M P O B A S S O)

S E C O N D (.) FOR MMIA (.) CONFIRM INTENTION ONE PL

TO REMAIN V A S T O AND STATE STRENGTH AND

COMD

THI 0040

RPTN 255 2 022320 76 1601 R/732 1 1001

2 2 VASTO 0040

SENT D M'L BB

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RE 208

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GREEN W. 933 104 2000000 Ltd. 5 45 B & B Ltd. 510045 6

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G.S.D. 1001 G.T. Coy. w. P.O. del. bullet
14/4/44.
File 5116
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Personnel The coy. is 40 strong in W.E.
29 Infantry were sent to fill part of
the above but are absolutely unsuitable.
(O.C. Br. Baden's statement)

Roll is list of reqd. personnel by trades
Officers { section bounds with M.T. experience } - 2 -
 { suggest take 1 as Polignac school }

× L/Sgt. (Admin)	3
M/psychists	(6)
Block	11
Drivers (Suggest Polignac School)	(15)
Trimmer	3232
FITTERS M.T.	2
	40

The 29 infantry should be withdrawn.

3
 6
 11
 15
 Drivers (Suggester Poligono School)
 TRIMMER
 FITTERS M.T.
 3232
 2
 40

The 29 infantry should be withdrawn.
 As the way is being handed over to A.C.C. to day
 please expedite.

J. K. M. M. M.
 S. M. C.

9 feet divided 6 April
 3252/1000

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CALL AND INSTRUC- TIONS	IN	NK 45020 (P)	No. of Groups GR. 55	Office Date Stamp 78 50/0/1
	OUT			

TO *MILIA INFO MILIA LO 1001 (I) GT COY 6 BSA*

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM <i>ST DIST W3</i>	Originator's Number <i>76</i>	Date	In Reply to Number
<i>302 @ Ref your SD 534 dated 12 April 44 @ Ref of personnel due with 1001 (I) GT COY on 17 not yet arrived @ Inform ETA these personnel @ Meanwhile 25 ORS for HQ ACE have not been dispatched</i> <i>Have told Purcell to let Bowles that we are trying to get the right one for 1001 not just anyone. 1001 has priority over 25 for ACE</i>			

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	<i>3152</i>										

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SUBJECT: Deficiencies - Italian Personnel.

Hq. No. 2, Dist. GMP.
4410/2/ST.

S&T
1001 (1) G.T. Coy.

76 78 77
15 April, 1944.

1. Reference your 12/140/44 dated 14 Apr. 44. Your attention is drawn to this office even reference dated 14th Apr. 44. from which you will note that yet a further batch of personnel are due to arrive at your Coy. on the 17th Apr. 44. It apparently is the intention of MIA to bring your Coy. up to 25 O.R.'s over strength, thus allowing for your posting away 2 M.C.Os. and 23 drivers to Hq. ACC.
2. The 29 O.R.'s already received by you were posted as general duties men and it would appear that the intention is to post the specialists referred to in your above-cited letter with the remainder due on the 17th Apr. 44.
3. Please advise this office immediately this additional batch of personnel arrives, stating your final position as regards to deficiencies of skilled personnel. The matter will then be taken up with MIA if it is found that none of the postings thus effected are suitable to make up the deficiencies referred to.

FAB/AMK.

Copy to: MIA. ✓
MIA. I.O.

[Signature]
Colonel.
D.D.S.T.

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MESSAGE FORM

From MMIA

76 50/4/1
T O O 12 1540 B

To ST DISTWO

rptd FATIMA

FLAMBO MMIA LO DISTWO

FATIMA for OFFENHAUER

THI
FATIMA REAR for QMINSMITH

SD 534 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Your 268 of 9 April and our SD 482 of first (.)
1001 GT Coy should have received 47 drivers on tenth ex BARI (.) 12 on
eleventh ex POLIGNANO (.) 28 general service personnel should arrive thirteenth
(.) remainder seventeenth (.) Request you allocate and despatch balance of
2 NCOs and 23 other rank drivers to HQ ACC when company completed informing MMIA

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James M. H.

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Sgd _____

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ACTION SLIP

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with file *AB*
on 11/1/70
B/F for bot *Final* noted *ABC*

of course

This and photos 69/70 should be on
CD/1/1/12 file per all together *Jm*

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Subject:- Vehicles handed over
to Italian Army.

HQ AAI (Adm Ech),
OMF.

3333/Q(AE).

11 Apr. 44.

Army Sub-Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (IMIA).
LEQUILLE.

In reply to your letter reference SD/6/1 dated 7 April 44.

1. It is confirmed that, in the case of ^{British} vehicles issued to Italian units with a British Cadre, the British Cadre Commander is responsible for all documentation including signing receipt vouchers (AF G.1033 a).

2. When an Italian unit, without a British Cadre has its British parent unit changed, it is the responsibility of the HQ Army Corps or District concerned to supervise the change of control.

3. Para.3 of your letter under reference has been handed to G.4 branch this HQ who will reply under separate cover.

A. H. M. Jones
for *W.C.*
Brigadier.
DQM.G.

Copy:- Transportation Sub-Commission A.C.C.
HQ AAI ADM. ECHELON.

MILITARY MISSION.

Date _____

to
ITALIAN ARMY.

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Subject: VEHICLES HAND OVER TO ITALIAN ARMY

RE: AAI Adm Reg
Transportation Sub Commission AGC
W/O R. A. I. Adm Reg
Col. P. D. M. M. I.

For information

Army Sub Commission AGC
 Milan Reg (MILIA)
 12/11/51 (12/11/51)
 12/16/51

7/14/51

1. Your 36/5/51 of 3 Feb laid down that "issues of vehicles will be made to the Italian unit and the British Cadres will be responsible for all documentation, census returns and issues and inventory for spares". With reference to AGC letter 24/39/52 of 30 March reproduced at appendix A I read this to mean that the British Cadre Commander will sign all receipt vouchers (AF 61035a). Please confirm both to me and to the Sub Commission AGC.

2. For issues to Italian units without British Cadres your same letter laid down that issues will be made to the British parent unit under whose command the Italian unit is working. This requires amplification to define the superior authority responsible for supervising the change of control when the Italian unit has its British parent unit changed. Will this be the DEOS of the formation concerned?

3. Para 1 (f) of AGC letter 16 400-4 (ITALY) GAS - MEM of 9 Jan subject Supply Organisation Italian Military lays down that "the use, name of operation, and maintenance of any motor transport provided by the Allied Forces will be actively supervised". No regulations have as yet been issued to cover issues of vehicles issued to Italian units with or without British Cadres. Will you please lay down the procedure to be followed, including issues to AGC.

G.M.

Col. P. D. M. M. I.
 3276
 Brig
 Army Sub Commission AGC

APPROVED TO 12/11/51 dated 12/11/51

Transportation Sub Commission AGC
 c/o 12/11/51

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3. Para 1 (2) of AMH letter AG 4004 (ITALY) GMS - MEM of 9 Jan subject Supply Organisation Italian Military lays down that "the use, sale of operation, and maintenance of any motor transport provided by the Allied Forces will be actively supervised". No regulations have as yet been issued to cover issues in vehicles issued to Italian units with or without British Cadres. Will you please lay down the procedure to be followed, including issues to AG.

G.M.

Coltuberry
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Brig
Army Sub Com AG

AMH/IX A to AG/6/1 dated 10/1/44

Trans Section Sub Commission AG

G/O AG & En

Hq AGI (Am Subcom), G.M.F.

Our ref : AG 34/59/92

Date : 30 Mar 44

TO : R.M.I.A.
SUBJECT: 1001 Gen Sgt Coy (Italian)

1. Attached please find copy of letter received from the G/C the British Cadres.
2. The receipt vouchers (AGH033a) mentioned, are for 10 motor cycles, 8 x 15 cc's and 126 x 5 cc's, and they show these vehicles as having been issued by AG to the G/C British Cadres.
3. This Sub Commission understood that the 1001 Gen Sgt Coy (Italian) was to be formed and then attached to AG for duties. If this is correct, it is not understood why AG are required to sign for any vehicle in connection with this Coy.
4. Further AG have not signed for having received any vehicles in connection with 1001 Gen Sgt Coy (Italian).
5. Your advice will be much appreciated.

(nd) R.A. HUNT Col, 3rd AG 400 AG

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Transportation Sub=Commission, ACC.
c/o Mov & Tn
H.Q., A.A.I. (Adm. Echelon),
C. M. F.

APPENDIX A

30/6/44

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Our Reference : ACC Tn/39/92

Date : 30 Mar 44

TO : M.M.I.A.

SUBJECT: 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy (Italian)

1. Attached please find copy of letter received from the O/C the British Cadre.
2. The receipt vouchers (AF. G.1033s) mentioned, are for 10 motor cycles, 8 x 15 cwt's and 126 x 3 tonners, and they show these vehicles as having been issued by ACC to the O/C British Cadre.
3. This Sub=Commission understood that the 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy (Italian) was to be formed and then attached to ACC for duties. If this is correct, it is not understood why ACC are required to sign for any vehicle in connection with this Coy.
4. Further ACC have not signed for having received any vehicles in connection with 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy (Italian).
5. Your advices will be much appreciated.

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J. A. B. ... S.A. FITCH,
Colonel,
Director, Transportation Sub=Commission, ACC.

Copy to/
Main H.Q., ACC
Economic Section

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SUBJECT: Receipt Vouchers, Vehicles.

REF. W/S.5

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
C.M.F.

*not read for
Appendix A*

British Cadre.
1001 (Italian) G.T. Coy. RASC.

Herewith Receipt Vouchers Nos. 1 to 9 in respect of vehicles taken over by this Unit from Allied Control Commission. Please sign and complete top left hand corner and return second copy of each voucher to British Cadre, 1001. Italian G.T. Coy. RASC. The Original of each voucher being retained by you.

Field.
25 March 1944.

/s/ for
Major. Commanding.
British Cadre, 1001 (Italian) G.T. Coy. RASC.

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	OUT	GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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TO MMIA INFO ST FLAMB G(S) AND Q DISTWO 6 BASE SUB AREA
OC 1001 (1) ST COY MMIA GO

FROM	ST DISTWO	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
		268	266	-
Further to this office telegraph 26T dated 6 April 0				
Inform when personnel to complete WE of 1001 (1) GT COY				
can be expected 0 Anticipate handling coy to ACC				
on 12th April 44				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT WIRELESS		THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS		ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY		TIME OF ORDER	
SIGNED		SIGNED				0914300	
(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)						T.H.I.	
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						T.O.R. 3273	

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MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUC- TIONS	IN <i>MEYUMECB H QVRI QDX NR454/9</i>	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP <i>SD/4/1 1/10 D</i>
	OUT	<i>63</i>	

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TO *MMIA INFO ST FLAMB G(5) AND Q DISTWO 6 BASE SUB AREA*
OC 1001 (1) ST COY MMIA LO

FROM <i>ST DISTWO</i>	Originator's Number <i>268</i>	Date <i>266</i>	In Reply to Number <i>-</i>
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<i>Further to this office telegraph 261 dated 6 April 0</i>				
<i>Inform when personnel to complete WE of 100(1) ST COY</i>				
<i>can be expected 0 Anticipate handling coy to ACC</i>				
<i>on 12th April 44</i>				

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SIGNED		SIGNED				T.H.I. <i>1800</i>	
(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)							
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MESSAGE FORM

From NMIA

TOO 092100B

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To SMRE rptd ST DISTWO

SD518 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Twelve drivers who have
completed their training at POLIGNANO School are to be posted to
1001 Gen Tpt Coy on 11 April (*) 2 District will collect

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except () wireless liable to interception

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MESSAGE FORM

CALL
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IN MEYTV MEER (P) QVR1 QBY NA 463/8

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

MMIA INFO ST 6 BASE AND AREA 1001 (i) GT COY 562 ARTY COY

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

FROM ST 41ST WO

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understand that further 12 drivers will be fit to
post from POLIGNANO driving school to 1001 (i) & coy on Tuesday
11 April 1950. Please issue the necessary instructions

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ORIGINALITY'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

IMPORTANT

TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.H. 3271

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T.O.R.

SIGNED

SYSTEM

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STATO MAGGIORI REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

N° 3292/Mob. di prot.

P.M. 151, 6 aprile 1944.

OGGETTO: Personale per 1001° cp. autieri.-

AL COMANDO DEL IX CORPO D'ARMATA P.M. 67
AL COMANDO DEI CAMPI DI RIORDINAMENTO LECCE
e, per conoscenza:
ALL'ISPETTORATO DELLA MANOVLANZA SEDE

1) - E' necessario assegnare ed avviare alla 1001° cp. autieri il seguente personale:

- N° 2 ufficiali
" 3 sottufficiali
" 114 truppa di cui: 7 meccanici
13 motociclisti
11 scritturali
7 cuochi
1 tappezziere
45 servizi generali.

2) - In merito si dispone:

a) - IX corpo d'armata provvederà all'avviamento alla predetta cp. di:

- N° 2 ufficiali (da trarsi dalle disponibilità del
- " 3 sottufficiali (9° rgt. autieri.
- " 7 meccanici (allegato, appartenenti alle unità lav.
- " 2 motociclisti (del rgt. di Bari. Saranno preventiva-
mente sostituiti nei rispettivi reparti
di con elementi tratti dai campi di
(riordinamento.

b) - comando campi riordinamento provvederà ad avviare:

- N° 9 truppa, al rgt. unità lavoratori di Bari in sostitu-
zione di altrettanti assegnati alla 1001° cp.
autieri di cui al comma precedente:

- N° 2 ufficiali
- " 3 sottufficiali
- " 114 truppe di cui:

7 meccanici
13 motociclisti
11 scritturali
7 cuochi
1 tappezziere
75 servizi generali.

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2) - In merito si dispone:

a) - IX corpo d'armata provvederà all'avviamento alla predetta cp. di:

- N° 2 ufficiali (da trarsi dalle disponibilità del
- " 3 sottufficiali (9° rgt. autieri.
- " 7 meccanici (nominativamente indicati nell'elenco
- " 2 motociclisti (del rgt. di Bari. Saranno preventiva-
- " 2 motociclisti (mente sostituiti nei rispettivi repar-
- " 2 motociclisti (ti con elementi tratti dal
- " 2 motociclisti (riordinamento.

b) - comando campi riordinamento provvederà ad avviare:

- N° 9 truppe, al rgt. unità lavoratori di Bari in sostitu-
- " 9 truppe, zione di altrettanti assegnati alla 1001° cp.
- " 9 truppe, autieri di cui al comma precedente;

- N° 11 motociclisti D.R.
- " 11 scritturali
- " 7 cuochi
- " 1 tappezziere
- " 75 servizi generali

Il personale sopra indicato dovrà essere tratto dalle disponi-

Tutto il personale sarà transitato nel 9° rgt. autieri e fatto af-

fluire a Bari, al più presto possibile; il comando IX C.A. ed

Assicurare i movimenti effettuati. --

in Transport to 1001 G.T. Corp. at Palo Alto and Collier since still
overhaul has been requested.
Please report action taken.

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE.
/s/ (Gen. di div. B.B. Oxilia)

SUBJECT:- Gen Tpt C-ys

HQ AAI (Adm Ech)
CMF
2553/G(SD)
/ Apr 44

Army Sub Commission (Allied Control Commission).

Further to this HQ letter 2553/G(SD) of 22 Mar 44.

1. It is understood that the packet containing this HQ letter 2553/G(SD) of 14 Mar 44 was received by 94 Sub Area ELO at 1830hrs on 15 Mar 44 Docket No 37 serial 37.
2. 94 Sub Area state that the packet was signed for at Allied Control Commission HQ at 1930hrs on 15 Mar 44.
3. It is hoped that this infm will enable you to trace the original copy of the letter.

HB

*They sent the original
to Adm HR*

Lt Col.
G.S.

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Serial No. 28/6

OFFICE DATE STAMP

50/6/11

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TO MMIA INFO ST FLAMBO BASE SUB AREA OC 1001 (1) GT LOY
MMIA LO SSD AND @ DISTWO
FROM ST DISTWO

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

2610 Ref your SD482 dated 1 April 41. No reinforcements
yet received by 1001 (1) GT LOY. Present deficiencies are 2 officers,
3 l/sqts, 7 cooks, 39 drivers, 10 motorcyclists, 11 clerks, 20
drivers, general duties, 1 trimmer, 7 vehicle mechanics. Am
now informed that ACC will shortly be taking over. Over
Personnel urgently required to complete mob.

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M 5475/703 40m. Pads. 12/42 C.B.A.S. LCL. AT-1116

SUBJECT: Postings

IL No. District, C.M.P. ✓
4/10/2/ST.

1001 (I) G.T. Coy.

4 April, 1944.

SD

65-

1. Reference your A 54 dated 1st April '44, attaching copy of posting order for one officer and 25 O.R.'s from 1001 (I) G.T. Coy. to AOC.
2. The posting order referred to is returned herewith for implementation, together with copies of MMIA SD 474 dated 31st March '44, this office's ST. 256 dated 1st April '44 and MMIA reply SD 493 dated 3rd April '44. ⁵³
3. In view of the contents of this last signal, there is no option but to comply with the posting order. ⁶³
4. Will you therefore please request Italian O.C. Company to nominate personnel and arrange for these to be delivered by road, sending the necessary signal advising MMIA as requested in MMIA SD 474.

See photo 62


Colonel.
D.D.S.T.

FAB/1001.

Copies to: 6 Base Sub Area. For information.
MMIA for information. ✓
ST AAI (Adia Beh).

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COPY.

FM ~~ST~~ DIA
TO ST DISTWO.
RPTD FLAMBO FLAMBO PATIMA FOR OFFENLAUER

Date: 31 Mar 44.

PATIMA REAR FOR QUINSMITH
COY GR---BT

SD 474. REF FLAMBO SD 523/26785 OF 30 AND OUR SD 451 OF 28. PATIMA 2730 OF 29 REQUESTS 25 DRIVERS BE SENT TO HQ 2675 INST ACC. REQUEST YOU ARRANGE RELEASE FROM 1001 GT COY SINCE COY RECEIVED 55 DRIVERS YESTERDAY FROM POLIGNANO. PLEASE SIGNAL STA TO PATIMA RPTD DIA. AND AM INSTRUCTING SURE ALSO TO POST 2 OFFRS 3 SGTs and 114 MEN TO 1001 GT COY TO COMPLETE RE. AND TO POST FURTHER 100 PUPILS TO POLIGNANO

FROM ST. DISTWO.
TO DIA.
G (SD) GT FLAMBO

Date: 1st April '44.

ST. 256. Ref your ST. 474 dated 21. See this office ST. 255 dated 31 addressed G (SD) copy to you. Await further instructions from you before posting 25 drivers.

FROM DIA
ACTION DISTWO.
RPTD FLAMBO.

Date: 3rd April '44.

SD 493 FOR ST. YOUR ST 256 OF 1 APR INSTRUCTIONS IN OUR SD 474 COMPLY WITH FLAMBO ORDERS AND SURE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED ACCORDINGLY. REQUEST YOU DESPATCH PERSONNEL EARLIEST BY ROAD SIGNALING STA

TOO 031845 B
THI 031850B

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T O O 031845 A

From MMIA

THI

To DISTWO rptd FLAMBO

SD493 (°) For ST (°) Your ST256 of 1 Feb (°)
Instructions in our SD474 comply with FLAMBO orders and
SMRE have been instructed accordingly (°) Request
you despatch personnel earliest ^{BY ROAD} signalling ETA

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FROM
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

TSRIT CADRE 1001 (L) TPT COY

041800 B

For Action

FLAMBO FATIMA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MMIA DISTWO

Message Instructions

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Originator's No.

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Ref MMIA ST474 dated 31 MARCH 0 ETA 2000 hours 5

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25 Arrived to HR ACK

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6/2/68

COPIA PER A.C.C.

TELESCRITTO

DA SUPERESERCITO ORDINAMENTO SMRE.ORD
AT COMANDO IX CORPO ARMATA HQ. 9 corpo

Transfer please
5/4/44
G. 61 Jm

N° 2594/ORD. ALT. RIFERIMENTO VOSTRO 1461 DEL 30 CORRENTE ALT. QUALORA
MOVIMENTI DISPOSTI DA 2° DISTRETTO STA BENE ALT. INTENDETEVI ANCHE CON
DETTO DISTRETTO TENENDO INFORMATO QUESTO SUPERESERCITO SIA PER CESSIONE
PERSONALE CUI TELE 2605 ODIERNO QUESTO SUPERESERCITO SIA PER OGNI QUE-
STIONE RELATIVA AT 1001° COMPAGNIA AUTIERI ET SCUOLA POLIGNANO ALT.
SUPERESERCITO ORDINAMENTO = 1930010444 =

Ref. y. 1461 of 30 inst. Should Mov. arranged
with 2 instr. OK Contact also 2 district and
keep us informed both for transfer
of personnel as per T/pt. 2605 dated
14 APR. and for all what concerns
1001GT and br. school at
POLIGNANO



P. C. C.
PREF. COL. in S. S.M. CAPO SEZIONE
(Giovanni Guida)

Guida

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MESSAGE FORM

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Serial No. 1/4
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TO DISTONE info 6 Base - Ent - Men (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

HR ACC (for economic - ac) No Sign 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy (Italian) MMIA GSD AAI ST

FROM FLAMBO from FITCH

Originator's Number
6/27687

Date
3rd

In Reply to Number

SECRET Ref your signal S.D. 1/380 dated 2nd April Region 2 is being notified to take over 1001 Italian
commissioner G.T.C. as soon as it is ready

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T.O.R. 3262

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		IN							No. of Groups	OFFICE DATE STAMP			
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TO MMIA INFO G(ED) ST FLAMBO MMIA LO													
FROM ST DISTWO.													
ST 256 (C) Ref your ST 474 dated 31 (C) See this office ST 253 dated 31 added G(ED) copy to you (C) Await further instructions from you before posting 25 driver													
Up to ACC really. They must send them now if ACC want. When one of 8000 per CACBRIA likely to get there													
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TO: MMIA INFO ST FLAMO MMIA LO

FROM: ST DISTWO 166

Originator's Number: Date: In Reply to Number:

2540 Ref your ST 116 of 30 01001 Gy definition AM 1 April
1 officer 3 e/sats 7 cooks 10 motorcyclists 11 clerks 14 drivers 1/c 20
drivers 1 gun 1 kitchen 7 Veh Mass

File: ST/15
Recd: 22 Apr.

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MESSAGE FORM

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1001 401

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TO ACTION (1) ACC (2) 6 BASE 388 AREA (3) 1001 GT COY (4) GSD MHIA (5) GSD HAI
(6) GSD FEMIBA (7) Q (8) ST (9) MHIA LO

FROM DISTWO

Originator's Number

SD 1/380

Date

In Reply to Number

Confidential

3 Ref FLHABO

SD 523/26785

dated 30 MAR not to all 0/Understand
1001 Italian GEN TIT COY to come under your command when mobilised 0 Coy
now nearing completion and commencing op. log & estimate that coy
will be sufficiently trained to be handed over for general op. duties approx
7/10 days time. Please advise disposal instructions. MILITARY MISSION.

They presently want to get rid of it

Date

24 6/1/50

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ITALIAN ARMY

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Call	Srl No	Priority	Correlation Index	
	<u>COPY.</u>		Above this line for SIGNALS use only	
From: FLAMBO	Originator	Date/Time	SDH/12	
		16	This should be 1001 Hk 56	
TO: DISTWO	For ACTION			
	(W) For INFORMATION (INFO)		Mago Instructions Gp	
Originator's No Q(AE)23484 REF YOUR 1603Q DATED 10 MAR 44 (.) DECISION MADE TO REEQUIP 1001 GT COY COMPLETELY ON BASIS NORMAL GT COY (.) 120 NEW 3-TON LORRIES BEING RELEASED 17 MAR (.) ON RECEIPT SIMILAR NUMBER NOW HELD WILL BE RETURNED NEAREST RVS (.) INSTRUCT UNIT SUBMIT INDENTS FORTHWITH TO COMPLETE G1098 (.) REPORT PROGRESS OF REEQUIPMENT ON 27 MAR (.) INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING PROVISION RASC PERSONNEL BEING ISSUED THROUGH ST CHANNELS. DISTRIBUTION: Sigs (2) 36/5/Q(AE) ST Ord REME Master 3798 File				
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MESSAGE FORM

From MIA

TOO 011520A

To FLAMBO
rptd DISTWO FATIMA
REAR for QUINSMITH

THI

FATIMA for OFFENHAUER FATIMA

SD 482 (.) Ref our SD 474 and DISTWO ST 253 of 31 (.)

Italian Gen Staff are producing 60 trained drivers from CALABRIA

shortly (.) These will be put at disposal of ST DISTWO for

completion of 1001 GT Coy and HQ ACC allotment

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MESSAGE FORM

From MMIA

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To SMRE rptd ST DISTWO

SD475 (°) FIRST (°) Despatch from 1001 G.T. Coy
 to HQ ACC NAPLES for 2675 Regt (°) 1 officer 2 NCOs
 23 ers (°) Must all be drivers (°) SECOND (°)
 Post to 1001 G.T. Coy NOT rptd NOT from PLIGNANO (°)
 2 effrs 3 sergeants 7 mechanics 13 motor cyclists 11
 clerks 7 cooks 1 coach trimmer 75 general duty men total
 119 (°) if specialists not available send untrained
 men (°) THIRD (°) Post 100 pupils to POLIGNANO
 School (°) FOURTH (°) All urgent (°) Please
 expedite and notify completion

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MESSAGE FORM

From: MMIA

Date Time

31 1900 A

To : ST DISTWO rptd FLAMBO FATIMA FATIMA for OFFENHAUER
FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH

SD 474 (°) ref FLAMBO SD523/26785 of 30 and our SD 451
of 28 (°) FATIMA 2750 of 29 requests 25 drivers be sent
to HQ 2675 Regt ACC (°) request you arrange release from
1001 GT Coy since Coy received 55 drivers yesterday from
POLIGNANO (°) please signal ETA to FATIMA rptd MMIA (°)
am instructing SMRE also to post 2 effrs 3sgts and 114
men to 1001 GT Coy to complete WE⁰ and to ^{Post FURTHER} make up number
100 pupils ^{To} POLIGNANO to 100

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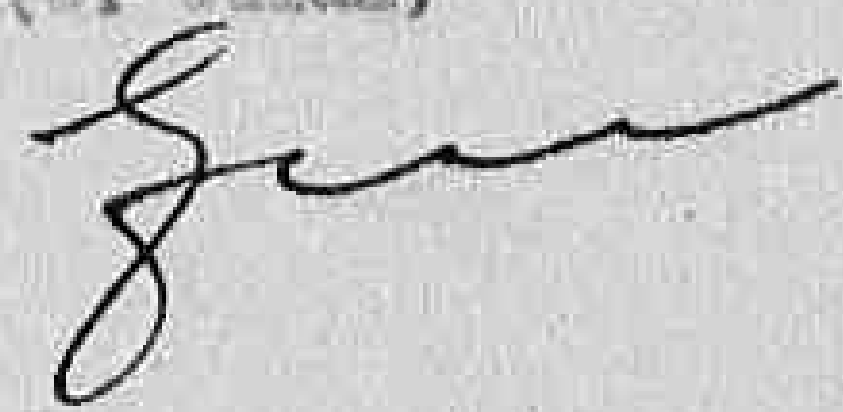
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DA SUPERMERCATO ORDINAMENTO
AT COMANDO IX CORPO D'ARMATA
et per conoscenza (:)
AT COMANDO F.F.AA. CAMPANIA

no 2605

/ORD ALT COM DA RICHIESTA ALLIATI INVIATE D'EMERGENZA AT CO-
MANDO A.C.C. IN MARCE PER 2075° ROT. REQUERIT VERIFICA-
LE CONDUTTORE TRATTO DA 1001° COMPAGNIA AVVISORI PER
A.A. 1 UFFICIALE 2 SOTTUFFICIALI 21 TRUPPA ALT
COMUNICARE DATA AVVIAmento ALT SUPERMERCATO ORDINA-
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P. C. C.
IL TEN. COL. in C.C.P. CARO BRICCH
(C. Guida)



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TO 4 (SD) 2 DIST INFO MMIA (FOR SD AND ST) ST FLAMBO
MMIA LB 1001 (1) 9T COY.

FROM ST DISTWO

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

ST2.53 refe FLAMBO SD523/26785 dated 30 addressed
MMIA and this office phone conversation with SD MMIA
of today @ Understand that MMIA propose posting 25
drivers away from 1001(1) GT Coy. @ If this is done Coy
will be unable to man its vehs @ Request that
no drivers be taken from 1001(1) ST Coy as no more trained
drivers available at POLIGNANO for some considerable time

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO MMIA INFO DISTWO ACC REAR FATIMA FOR QUINSMITH
(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM FLAMBO

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

SD523/26785 | 301800A

Ref your SD451 of 23 mar @ 1001 GEN. TPT Coy under
control ACC @ Dura to cover needs of ACC on other nets
will be supplied by 1001 Gen tpt coy 2 dist will supply
the necessary personnel to fill out 1001 Gen tpt coy
T we and to cover additional need of ACC for 1 offr
4 HCO and 46 ors from the school at Polignac as rapidly
as possible

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O To M.M.10

so/b
File 49

SUBJECT:- Gen Tpt Coys.

HQ AAI (ADM ECH)
CMF
2553/G(SD)
22 Mar 44

Army Sub Commission ACC

X flag

Ref your SD 386 of 20 March, att find copy of this HQ's
2553/G(SD) of 14 March.

Inquiry is being made here to find out why original
copy was not delivered.

Sub

Copy from Adm HQ
under flag

ADC.

J.M. Tyleen
Lt Col.
G.S.

3253

[Handwritten signature]

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TO: ADJUTANT GENERAL
FROM: [illegible]
SUB: [illegible]

2053/4 (NO)
4 Mar 44

Copy to: AD JAG
Army Sub Commission AGO
2 District
AI 15.

Ref: Letter AG/5 of 9 Mar.

1. Ref para 1(b). Authy is hereby given for the units (notified) formerly att to 1004 Gen Tpt Coy to be re-attached under your arrangements as soon as practicable. Authy has already given approval for all AG/517/1 to be implemented with respect of this unit.
2. Ref para 1(a). Authy is hereby given for 1004 Gen Tpt Coy to be made up to 1004 Gen Tpt Coy (for all AG/517/1) from surplus Italian personnel now held in Italian driving school.
3. The necessity for the continuation of the AG/517/1 para 1 above after 31 Apr 44 is subject to review nearer that date.
4. Will you please incorporate the above in your official reply to ACC.

[Handwritten signature]

Lt. Col.
G. S.

2053/4 (NO)
4 Mar 44

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111/117/2
111/118/2

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1. Ref. para 4(b). Authority is hereby given for Mr. Gadske (modified) formerly att. in 1001 to sign any and all your correspondence as soon as practicable. This has already been approved for on 11/11/74 to be in accordance with request of this unit.

2. Refused to study in nearby places for 1944 and 1945 day to be made up to 1944 and 1945 day (for 1944 and 1945) from surplus Italian personnel now held in Italian driving schools.

3 The requested for the confirmation of the Mr. Carlos video review after 30 April 44. So subject the review nearest that date.

Will you please investigate the above in your official reply to ACC

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22867
153/01 dated

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MESSAGE FORM

From MIA

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To FLAMBO rptd FLAMBO for FITCH
 FATIMA
 FATIMA for OFFENHAUER
 DISTWO
 FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH

SD451 (°) One officer 4 NCO and 46 OR made available to HQ ACC and assigned to 1001 G.T. Coy for simplicity of administration by FLAMBO SD427/19143 were sent to 1001 G.T. Coy (°) Of the persons sent only 25 were trained drivers and all persons have been absorbed in 1001 G.T. Coy (°) Present strength Coy is 231^{CMA} including 50 referred to above (°) Strength should be 385 plus 50 for ACC (°) Fifty five drivers will be available 30 March from POLIGNANO School (°) It is proposed to (1) make 25 trained drivers available to HQ ACC from POLIGNANO School on 30 March (2) make 30 trained drivers available to 1001 G.T. Coy from POLIGNANO School on 30 March (3) have SMRE assign 25 additional men for training as drivers to School and these men will be available to HQ ACC in about 3 weeks (4) have SMRE assign ¹⁴²~~144~~ men to 1001 G.T. Coy to make strength up to 385 (°) Result will be that HQ ACC will have available on 30 Mar 25 trained drivers and 25 more in three weeks (°) 1001 G.T. Coy will have available for its own use 385 men CMA which will include 174 trained drivers (°) Request approval of our plan by FLAMBO and that HQ ACC advise where and when 25 drivers available on 30 March will be sent

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Report on Visit to POTENZA, SALERNO, CASTELLARE, NAPLES and BARI,
by Lt. Col. H B FINCH, ADST, USA.
21 to 25 March, 1944.

1. Visited Italian Supply Depot, POTENZA, 21 Mar, commanded by Capt. MORO, Carabinieri.

Found that sups were still in very unsuitable storage. The repair of the building was still in hand, but it was evident that damage due to rain coming in had been caused. There was mud in one of the rooms containing sacked Macaroni. The whole place was damp, and except for the fact that sups were issued almost as soon as received certain losses would have taken place. I advised Capt MORO that I was dissatisfied and asked him to expedite repairs.

2. Called in at Col. Smith's Office, SALERNO, 22 March.

(a) Explained how Italian Government and Comando Supremo had to be fed - either as Army or as non-military. If they were to be considered Army we had no alternative but to obey orders and fees from Italian Stocks & Rations.

(b) Saw Com PALMER, Navy Sub Comm. Explained situation regarding bulk issues to Navy every ten days. Asked that we should have a confirmation of Naval Feeding Strengths from one Co-ordinating Naval Authority. Navy was informed that FOTALLI must be the one co-ordinating authority. Navy Sub Comm admitted that they could not deal direct with Italian Navy co-operating with either FOTALLI or FOLI. Was informed unofficially that they were expecting to be done away with as they could serve no useful purpose.

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(d) They also asked if they could be provided with more tentage. Capt. BENNETTI said he would investigate and see what he could do.

(e) They complained that the rations they were being given by the Italian Supply Depots did not compare with the rations as received from the American Depots. It was explained that they had no right to have ever received excess rations. They agreed that the less said, the less recriminations.

(f) Took Capt. BENNETTI and introduced him to DIST, FLAMBO, Brig. HINDE, AD Transport, Lt. Col. DAMSON, AD Supplies, Lt. Col. SMITH, also Lt. Col. ACKERLEY of Mov 5. Brig HINDE said that he had seen Italian GI Coys and was pleased with 1000 TARANTO. He instructed that every effort should be made to clothe and equip and foster "esprit de corps" and self respect. He remarked that he had put in a few words regarding the Italian Supply Depot TARANTO. He was of the opinion that 52 Area would evacuate the Depot.

Lt. Col. DAMSON gave me the draft of an order expected to be issued by G(SD) FLAMBO regarding Driver Training School POLIGNANO. Lt. Col. SMITH showed me instructions with regard to Italian Ration Equivalents.

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4. Visited Comdr WATKINS RN, Chief Accts Offr NAPLES.
Discussed rations to Italian Navy. It would appear that he is of the opinion that Italian Army in NAPLES has in the past drawn for Italian Navy but instead of issuing has held them, hence the query to MIA.
Agreed that all information regarding Naval strengths was a TOTAL responsibility and that TOTALI would co-ordinate all transactions with Italian Navy.

5. Called in at DISTWO BARI. Saw DIST, Col. WARREN and Lt. Col. HEGAN.
(a) Col. HEGAN asked that deficiencies from 1000 Italian OT Coy be made up from POLIGNANO School as soon as possible. I explained that if this was asked for it would be done immediately.
(b) He asked what was to be done with duds and useless soldiers unlikely to be efficient drivers. I asked him to inform MIA officially so that we may communicate with SURE and have them moved.
(c) Situation at DISTWO appeared to be very co-operative, helpful and friendly.

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25 Mar 44.
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To:- ST, FLAMBO
Info:- ST 6 Base Sub Area.
1001 (Italian) GT Coy.
MMIA.
MMIA L O
From:- ST DISTWO.

No. ST/235 dated 27 Mar 44.

Progress report 1001 (ITALIAN) GT Coy as at 1000 hrs 27 Mar 44.

Personnel British Cadre complete, except 1 Sjt (Admin) being replaced.

Italian deficiencies - 1 Officer & 55 trained Dyrs - these are being trained at POLIGNANO under supervision of 562 Arty Coy and will be ready on 30 Mar 44.

3 L/Sgts
7 Veh mechanics
13 motor cyclists
11 clerks
7 cooks
1 coach trimmer
50 general duty men.

Task vehicles complete.

Technical vehicles complete.

Domestic vehicles - 2 water trailers deficient, not essential.

33 motor cycles, of which 13 being prepared 562 Arty Coy, balance not immediately essential.

Vehicle tool kits - Task vehicles complete,
Cafs complete,

Domestic vehicles on indent.

G.1098 Stores - Bulk drawn, balance expected 28 Mar.

Veh spares - Awaiting collection instructions from DDOS(P).

MT Stores & Equip - all available items being collected 27 Mar.

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If present availability continues, w/shops should be in a position to operate 1 Apl.

General standard Italian personnel gradual improvement noticeable over past 3 weeks. Co-operation satisfactory in all respects. Usual teething difficulties only. At present rate of progress unit could carry out independent details by platoons away from HQ by 1 April 44.

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To MMIA

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TO ST DISTWO WTR FLAMBO, PATIMA

FROM WTR

Originator's Number
SD 419

Date
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In Reply to Number

ref your 4410/25T of 20 Mar and FLAMBO
Signal 50452/24700 of 22 Mar. Situation
strength 1001 6.5 (my own observe) requires
confirmation or otherwise your + guards 8 hrs
231 ORS and 10/11 4 VLOS 46 OR from
POLICEMAN now assigned HQ RLC. Now
NOT certain still 50 fully up.

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FROM ST DISTWO 200

Originator's Number
ST44,10/2/ST

Date
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In Reply to Number

Ref your ST419 dated 23 0 Personnel deficiencies 1001 (i) GT COY 1800 hrs 240
55 trained drivers these being trained at POLIGNANO under supervision 562 ARTY COY
will be ready 3003Z/SGTS 9 vehicle mechanics 13 motor cycles 11 clerks 7 cooks
1 (one) coach trainer 50 general duty men 0 This after absorbing 50 ORS already
hosted from POLIGNANO 0 If these 50 are posted away to HQ ACC unit will not
repeat not be able to man its vehicles

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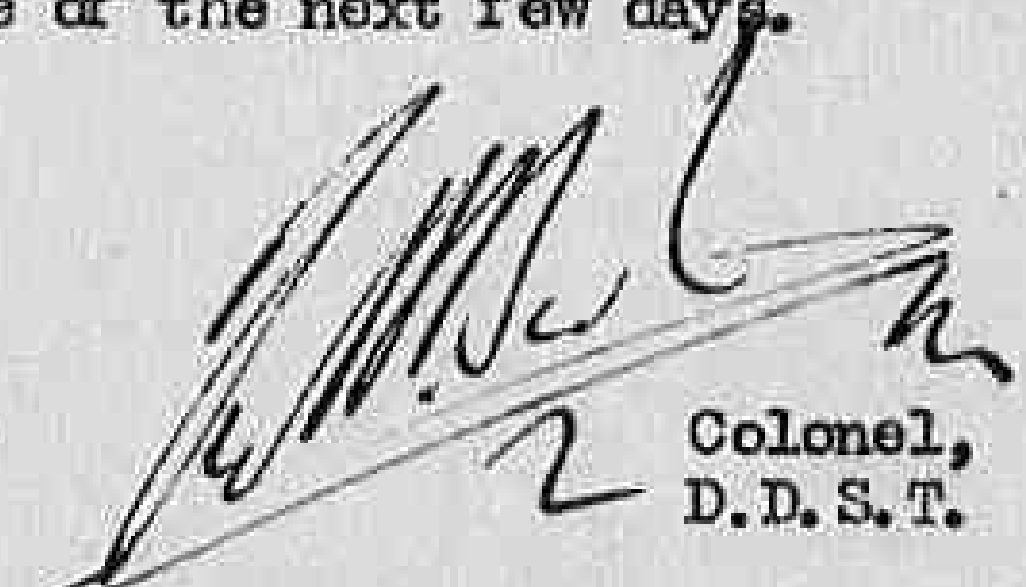
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SD/D 39/2
Hq No. 2 District, CMF.
4410/2.ST.
20 March, 1944.

MMIA.

Reference your ST/6/15 of 18 March.

1. It is noted that there is a total of 250 Italian ORs available at POLIGNANO and that of these, 50 are sufficiently trained drivers to warrant their posting.
2. When DADT this office visited 1001 Italian G.T. Coy yesterday, it was found that the coy strength was 8 offrs and 231 ORs, of the latter, only 130 were considered competent drivers.
3. It is therefore necessary to post a further 2 offrs and 134 ORs to bring this Coy up to full strength.
4. It is essential that a minimum of 100 trained drivers should be included in the required reinforcements; will you therefore please post the available 50 trained drivers immediately and expedite the provision of the further 50 trained drivers at the earliest possible date.
5. A complete personnel deficiency list by ranks and trades will be rendered to you in the course of the next few days.


Colonel,
D.D.S.T.

Copy to : ST. 6 Base Sub Area.
MMIA.LO.
1001 Italian G.T. Coy.

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Recd 21 Mar

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MESSAGE FORM
From **MEMIA**
To **FLAMBO rptd DISTWO**
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SD386 (*) For GSD (*) Ref DISTWO 4410/2/ST of 18 March copy to
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COPY FROM ADV HQ 18 MAR.

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HQ ACMF ADM ECH CMF
2553/G(SD)
14 Mar 44

Copy to: SD AAI
Army Sub-Commission ACC
2 District
A: ST

Ref MMIA's letter AQ/5 of 9 Mar.

1. Ref para 4(b). Authy is hereby given for Br Cadre (modified) formerly att to 1001 Gen Tpt Coy to be re-attached under your arrangement as soon as practicable AFHQ has already given approval for WE HA/317/1 to be implemented with respect of this unit.

2. Ref para 4(c). Authy is hereby given for 1001 Gen Tpt Coy to be made up to WE Gen Tpt Coy (for WE see Appx 'A') from surplus Italian personnel now held in POLIGNANO driving school.

3. The necessity for the continuance of the Br Cadre vide para 1 above after 31 Apr 44 is subject to review nearer that date.

Will you please incorporate the above in your official reply, to ACC

Lt. Col.
G.S.

Appendix 'A' to 2553/G(SD)
dated Mar 44

HQ III/116/2
Tpt Pl III/117/2
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COPY FROM ADV HQ 18 MAR.

SUBJECT: Italian G T Coys.

HQ No 2 District, CMF
1603Q
10 Mar 44

ACMF (Adm Ech)

Reports indicate that 1001 GT Coy has met with considerable difficulty since it was handed over to ACC and lost its British RASC Cadre on 15 Feb. It now has a large number of vehs off the road, mainly due to lack of maint and lack of spares.

The adm responsibilities towards this Coy are laid down in your letters 36/21/Q3 of 8 and 24 Feb and are not primarily the concern of this HQ. It is felt however that you should be informed of the situation, since it is apparent that the Coy could not reasonably be expected to undertake any task in its present state.

In the meantime arrangements have been made by this HQ for the loan of certain RASC personnel and two RASC technical vehs to assist in repair and maint duties, until such time as the adm responsibilities ordered in your above mentioned letters can be put into practice.

Major General
Comd No. 2 District.

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SUBJECT: Attachment of 1001 G.T. Coy to A.C.C.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILLE (LECCO)
AQ/5
9 Mar 44.

A.C.M.F. (ADMECH) (2)

Lt. Gen. Sir NOEL MASON MACFARLANE HQ., A.C.C. NAPLES. (2))
Internal Tptn Sub Commission, A.C.C. NAPLES.) for
A.C.M.F. for Brig. FOSTER (G.C.D.)) infer-
H.Q. No. 2 District.) mation.
H.Q. No. 2 Region A.C.C. MATERA.

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3. MY INSPECTION of 1001 G.T. Coy on March 8 revealed the following:-

- (a) Of 127 load carriers, sixty six were unfit for duty.
- (b) Of these sixty six not one had any lights.
- (c) Strength 7 officers and 185 other ranks: this included 140 drivers and only 2 fitters.
- (d) Tools, one inadequate set per thirteen vehicles. No workshop vehicle, no garage. Petrol and oil drawn from C.I.P. civil stocks at MONOPOLI sixty kilos distant.
- (e) The one British officer present had arrived March 4.

(f) The Italian Comd officer, Capt. CALFA is useless and I am arranging for him to be changed.

(g) Details at Appendix A.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS.

(a) The sixty six unfit vehicles be inspected by R.E.M.E. and action decided on consequent report. My own REME officer is temporarily in SARDINIA.

(b) An Allied attached section is required since this and the P.B.S. unit are to be used in Army areas under war conditions; and their problem is therefore different to that of the 300 civilian driven vehicles allotted to A.C.C. Regions for load distribution of civilian supplies. Since the number of vehicles involved in 1001 G.T. Coy is 135 and in P.B.S. unit, 80 these Allied sections should be in principle three quarters and one half of the strength detailed in Appendix C. Without these Allied personnel the units will fail in their role and the running of civilian supplies to ROCE will then perforce fall on military units.

(c) An adequate strength of Italian personnel is required. Unit should have personnel in the proportion of its 135 vehicles to the 173 vehicles of a full G.T. Coy. I recommend:

Headquarters	.. 5 off	39 other ranks.
Four transport platoons	.. 4	240
One workshops platoon.	.. 1	56
One relief driver increment ..	..	31
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The extra personnel required can be found from Item 1011 on programme for which 200 drivers are now collected at PULIGNANO. The workshops platoon may have to be partly civilians paid by Allied cadre from A.C.C. funds; but the older the vehicles, the greater the need.

(d) The workshop lorry and the stores lorry now being allotted to the unit by 2 District be authorised for retention.

5. Three officers are being lent for one month. Immediate action is required to provide the above while they are still there.

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Brig.
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

APPENDIX A.

POINTS NOTED BY BRIG. DUCHESNE WHEN INSPECTING
1001 G.T. COY.. ON MARCH 5th.

1. Of 127 load carriers, 66 were off road.
2. These 66 were of seven different makes, BEDFORD, DODGE, CHEVROLET, G.M.C. and 3 kinds of FORD. They comprised three class 2 twenty five class 3 eleven class 4 one class 5 and twenty with no classification number written on; remaining six stated to be in 607 L of C R.E.M.E. at CAPURSO fifteen miles away.
3. Of these 66 trucks, not one had lights.
4. Tools for 127 trucks consisted of:
 - (a) Ten fitters' kits averaging each 3 D/E Box spanners, 3 open spanners, 1 hammer, 1 pr. small pliers, 1 tommy-bar, 1 file 1 oilcan.
 - (b) Incomplete sets for one Smith, one Carpenter, one Electrician, one Trimmer.
5. No workshop lorry, no garage, all work in open.
6. Petrol and oil drawn from C.I.P. civil stocks at MONOPOLI sixty kiles distant.
7. FOOD. The extra 2 oz. P. Meat, given to working personnel of other G.T. Coys. was not drawn as not attached to an Allied unit to get it from. Arrangements required through Allied attached section.

APPENDIX B.

1001 G.T. COY PRECIS OF FLAMBO INSTRUCTIONS.

- Feb 8 FLAMBO 36/21/Q3 orders DEST to attach to A.C.C.G.T. Coy strength 120 load carriers; and CG. FBS a transport unit of 80 vehicles. No copy to MMIA.
- Feb 9 FLAMBO 2553 G (SD) authorises 2 DISTRICT to post away from 1001 G.T. Coy, 3 offrs and 100 men. (Residual authority therefore is for unit of 7 offrs and 298 men). No copy to MMIA.
- Feb 19 FLAMBO SD 839/17693 added MMIA states Allied Cadre hitherto attached 1001 G.T. Coy being removed.
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about
Feb 23 FLAMBO SD 426/18302 added MMIA confirms that Allied Cadres will not be supplied.
- Feb 24 FLAMBO 36/21/Q3 lays down maintenance policy for British vehicles handed over to A.C.C. (Military transport units defined as "attached" in letter of 8th) . No copy to MMIA.
- Feb 28 FLAMBO 2553 G (SD) loans three RASC officers for one month, and orders replacement of unfit vehicles.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE.

- Feb 25 A.C.C. Tn/39/39 by Internal Transportation Sub Commission refusing to take over 1001 G.T. Coy as it then was.
- March 2 REPORT by Major LENTZNER of M.M.I.A. agreeing with A.C.C. Tn/39/39 above.

APPENDIX C

EXTRACTED FROM FLAMBO LETTER 4491/STJ dated 28 JAN 1944.

Proposed W.E. for a British Cadre for attachment
to an Italian Army General Transport Company.

H.Q.

O.C. British Cadre (Major)	1	
Admin Capt.	1	
" Subaltern	1	
C.Q.M.S.	1	
Admin Sgt.	1	
" Cpl.	1	
Driver Mechanics	2	
Driver Batmen	2	
Privates (general duties)	2	) May be employed
Cook	1	) Italian Civilians.

Workshops Element.

Workshop Officer (Capt)	1	
M.S.M.	1	
M.S.S.	1	
Blacksmith	1	
Carpenter & Joiner.	1	
Turner.	1	
Electrician	1	
Fitters	2	
T.M.T. Clerks.	2	
T.M.T. Storeman	2	

Includes: 2 Sgts
2 Cpls.
2 1/3 ppls.

Total: Officers 4
O.Rs. 23 (3 of these may be employed civilians) 3835

5. Interpreters are required and if not available from the Italian Company may be civilians.

SUBJECT:- 1001 Gen Tpt Coy

HQ ACOMF (Adm Ech)

CMF

2553/G(SD) X X

28 Feb 44.

MMIA

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S.M. Ingledew
Lt Gen,
CGS.

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Report by Maj LENTZNER

Returning from NAPLES & BARI 2 Mar

1. 1001 C.T. Coy PALO DEL COLLE

- (a) Agree with report as submitted by ACC Tn officer (ACC TN/39 of 25 Feb) *(Copy of App A)*
- (b) Interviewed 2 District who would not move without FLAMBO.
- (c) Visited FLAMBO and after considerable talking and trouble G(SD) produced instruction 2553/G(SD) of 28 Feb *(Copy of App B)*
- (d) ST, 'Q' and Ord of FLAMBO despite instruction did not want to act. Visited each branch and am satisfied that action will be taken as per G(SD) instruction.
- (e) Visited 2 District and gave them copy of G(SD) instruction as guide. They produced an instruction to rectify complaints *(4410/2/ST of 27 Feb) (Copy of App C)*
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2. General Notes

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- (b) Definitely against Army personnel working for ACC which they consider a civilian organisation. They further consider that ACC should be self-contained and look after all its own services.

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- (1) Coy would be equipped with as many tools for vehs as could be found. Expect 1 set per 2 Vehs.
 - (11) 2nd Ech Wksp is partly provided and the Col instructed the officer to try to make it up to strength.
 - (111) Inspected the vehs and in my opinion they are very no roadworthy and generally in good condition. They have no canopies which are Nil.
 - (11V) The American offer will be left for three weeks with the Coy although he has handed it over to an officer of ACC.
 - (V) The American QM Gp Wksp are at the disposal of the Italian Coy.
 - (VI) The 80 vehs and personnel are split up as follows:
Capt (with small HQ)
Two Coys each 40 trucks with 3 Lts & approx 150 men each.
- (e) Every man being trained to drive and hope to have 10 men per Coy.
- (f) 22 QM Gp are issuing : extra blanket per man
American type cockers on American scale.
Pyramidal tents on loan.
3 Pyramidal tents on loan.
- (2) Question - Who is to provide Wksp accn for 2nd Ech work? Issue of overalls for mechanics? Have asked MONICO to try.

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(h) Att for ST slip showing rations issued for 1 day by Americans. Anticipate trouble when Italians fed by Italians as this unit struck when previously fed by Italians.

(i) Conclusion These Coys will work and will get a very square deal from the Americans.

4. Both 1001 and FBS Coys want to know if they will get extra 20 Lire a day and are they going to get the extra 2 oz of meat?

ABC

Mar 44

Taken down by me

for *[Signature]*
J Lentzner Maj

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SUBJECT : 1001 Gen Tpt Coy

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HQ ACMT (ADM ECH)

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28 Feb 44

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(signed) S.M. INGLEDEW. Lt Col.,
CGS.

HB/JM

a Dawson

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CopySUBJECT: 1001 Italian G.T. Coy - EquipmentHQ No. 2 District
C.M.T.
4410/2/ST.Os. Co., 562 Arty Coy
130 Water Tank Coy.

27 Feb 44.

1. It is understood from telephone conversation between this office and Allied Control Commission, AFHQ Adv Adm Ech of yesterday (Bowles - Berdase speaking) that various queries have been raised by an Officer of Allied Control Commission who visited 1001 Italian G.T. Coy. The queries raised and necessary action to be taken are enumerated hereunder.

- i. Complaint that 1001 Italian G.T. Coy vehicles were not in fit working order. 130 Water Tank Coy report that at the date of handover 9 vehicles were V.O.R., since when two of these have been evacuated and replaced, and three subsequently made runners. The balance of 4 awaiting spares. In addition 130 Water Tank Coy report that 1 further vehicle is very rough.

Action by 562 Arty Coy. Deliver to 1001 Italian G.T. Coy 5 replacement 3 tonners and take back 5 latter vehicles referred to. When effecting this exchange contact 130 Water Tank Coy who will assist in effecting the exchange.

- ii. Complaint no spare wheels.

Action 562 Arty Coy. It is understood that a number of spare wheels were given to 1001 Italian G.T. Coy. Make this number up to 25 i.e. 1 per 5 vehs. (an authority for 40 spare wheels has already been passed to you from this office).

- iii. Complaint lack of Tool Kits. This HQ letter 1528 of 19 Jan 44 authorised 10 Fitters Kits and 1 each Carpenters, Blacksmith, Coach Trimmers, Coppersmiths and Electricians Kits for issue to these Coy's. It is understood that these were N.A. at S.O.D.

Action 130 Water Tank Coy. Resubmit indents and inform this office by returning D.R. of the number and dates of original indents to enable hastening action to be taken.

- iv. Complaint Lack of Jacks and Wheel Braces and Pumps.

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2. Receipts will be obtained for all above equipment as handed over and the necessary vouchering over of 5 vehicles exchanged between 562 Arty Coy and Allied Control Commission will be carried out in the normal manner.

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Signature(?)
Colonel,
D.D.S.T.

Copy to:- DIST, AFHQ Adv Adv Ech.
Allied Control Commission, AFHQ Adv Adv Ech.
ADST, MIA,
ST, 6 Base Sub Area.

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Internal Transportation Sub-commission,
ACC.,

a/o Nov & In.,
Army Advanced Administrative Echelon,
C.M.F.

Our reference : ACC In/39/39

Date : 25 Feb 44.

TO : Main H. Co., ACC,
(Economic Section).

SUBJECT: 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy., (Italian).

1. Lt. Halstead Regional Road Transport Control Officer (Roads), Region II, reported to this Sub-commission, Thursday afternoon, 24 Feb 44, having previously reported to Col. Fiske.

2. He states that 1001 Gen. Tpt. Coy., (Italian), has been inspected by the R.C., Region II (Lt. Col. McCaffery), Capt. Roberts (Internal Transportation Sub-commission, ACC) and himself. The following facts were ascertained regarding the Coy.

(a) Originally formed by No. 2 District for docks clearances, i.e. short journeys.

(b) The British Cadre provided to form and operate this Coy., was the Platoon of a Water Tank Coy., R.A.S.C. which also had available its own Workshop Platoon.

(c) The vehicles are Class 2 vehicles and in poor condition. The vehicle strength of the Coy. is:

120 x 3 ton load carriers
5 x 3 ton for domestic purposes
1 x 3 ton for carrying spare parts
5 x 15 cwt. One per Platoon
1 x 15 cwt. For Workshops
5 x 15 cwt. On Coy. HQ.
10 Motor Cycles.

Of the above one 3 tonner has been stolen and at the time of the inspection, 33 x 3 tonners and 4 M/Cs. were shown. Vehicles Off Road on the Coy's state board and they comprise seven different makes.

(d) All vehicles are minus tool kits (jacks, pumps, wheel braces etc).

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(f) The Coy, has no Workshop equipment or fitters tools. There are supposed to be 16 Italian fitters on the Coy. strength, but the Coy. Commander could only produce one at time of inspection.

(g) Application was made by the O.C. British Cadre for five vehicle tool kits and this application was refused.

(h) Personnel of the Coy. consists of 140 drivers, 50 O.Cs. for General Duties and 8 Officers.

3. As you are aware this Coy. is required for the distribution of civilian supplies and this will necessitate the Coy. being split up over Region II. Having regard to the points set out above, it will be appreciated that 1001 Gen. 1st Coy. is not fit to fulfil the requirements and will not be able to operate successfully unless provided with a British Cadre for administration and workshops.

4. It will also be seen from the facts stated in 2 (c) that the personnel of the Coy. are not sufficient for efficient operation, e.g. only 140 drivers for 145 vehicles, this includes 10 motor cycles. The Italian Coy. Commander has, himself,

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notified the Commander, 9th. Italian Army Corps by letter that he has not sufficient personnel. Copy of this letter (translation) attached.

5. Region II is not prepared to accept responsibility for or to attempt to use this Coy. until the major deficiencies referred to above are made good. This Sub-commission endorses the attitude of Region II and would emphasise that the ultimate intention for this Coy. to work in the forward areas renders it essential that the Coy. shall be properly equipped and that it could not be completely helpless in the way of self-maintenance.

/s/ S.A. Fitch
/t/ S.A. FITCH,
Colonel,

Director, Internal Transportation Sub-commission, AGC.

Copy to: - Brigadier Lush, Chief Executive Commissioner.
Brigadier Duchesne, M.M.I.A.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To : MILIA info G (S) MAIN ACMF DISTO.

From : PLAMBO SD 830/17693 undated

Ref your Q 576 dated 16 Feb (.) Cadre hitherto att 1001 GEN
TFT COY needed for other duties and is not available to accompany
unit (.) Cadre was only att for liaison and advice and was not
responsible for documentation and repairs.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To : MMIA (action) info FLAMBO (attention DCOT)

From : Tn PBS cite RPTN . 902 21.

SECRET (.) PBS 9016 making reference to Q 605 of 20 Feb US
cadres for attachment to ITALIAN truck coys are NOT available
here (.) NO cadres have been set up for this purpose and it
it NOT presently planned to furnish any

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To : M.M.I.A.

From : FLAMBO.

SD 426/18302

Date

To DUCHESNE from HAMLEN (.) In reply your Q 612 of 21 Feb (.)
Transportation units are being provided for A.C.C. according to
paragraph two (2) this HQ LETTER 36/21/Q3 of 8 Feb (.) Allied
cadres are not being supplied see Flambo SD 830/17693 dated 19
Feb and FBS 9016 dated 21 Feb (.) Your reps can call on their
opposite numbers in this HQ for advice on documentation and wksp
facilities.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To : FLAMBO FATIMA rptd FARGO for ADAMS.

From : M.M.I.A. from DUCHESNE.

Q612

21.

FIRST for FLAMBO for HAMBLEEN (.) Your SD/830/17693 of 19 Feb (.)
FLAMBO letter 36/21/03 of 8 Feb detailed for attachment to FARGO one GT
Company of 120 vehicles from FLAMBO plus one transport unit of 80 vehicles
self contained in every respect from PBS (.) FLAMBO letter 36/5/03 of
3 Feb lays down that GT Coys will have an Allied Cadre for documentation
census returns plus issue and indenting for spares (.) It is clear
therefore on orders issued that these units should be fully up to War Estab
in personnel and have Allied attached sections (.) SECOND for FATIMA for
QUINSMITH (.) Contact both Colonel ADAMS and Brig Gen HAMBLEEN and get
this matter fully ventilated and cleared up

Sgd Brig C.C. DUCHESNE.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To : PBS rptd FLAMBO FARGO for ADAMS

From : MMIA Q 605 19

Ref our Q 576 of 17 and FLAMBO 36/21/03 of 8 (.) The
function of Allied cadres attached to Italian truck coys is to
carry out correct documentation and to ensure maintenance of
vehicles and transmission of Allied orders (.) Suggest
following personnel for American cadre attached to (M) Truck Coy
(.) ONE officer ONE TRUCKMASTER sjt ONE staff sjt mess ONE
staff sjt motor ONE company clerk ONE despatcher ONE cook ONE
mechanic FOUR drivers (first class)

Sgd Brig C.C. DUCHENE.

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ARMY FORM C2130,
(Pads of 100.)

MESSAGE FORM

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TO OC 562 ARTY COY (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)
MMA ST 6 BASE SUB AREA

FROM

ST DISTWO

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

220 under authority of this HQ SD 2582 dated 120
Vehicles of 1001 Italian ST coy now cease to be an RASC
responsibility for action 562 ARTY COY & Vehicles now
in possession 1001 coy will be vouchered to HQ ACC

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY
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THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER
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MESSAGE FORM

To : FLAMBO rptd DISTWO PBS FATIMA FARGO for ADAMS.
From : M.M.I.A. Q 576 16

Ref FLAMBO 36/21/03 of Eight Feb (.) Confirm that 1001
(1001) GT Coy from DISTWO and transport unit of eighty trucks
from PBS will both be handed over with Allied attached section
to ensure documentation and repairs in same way as if employed
on Military work (.) Unless this is done not considered
feasible to implement para three able your letter as ACC will be
using these units as a mobile reserve

Sgd Brig C.C. DUCHESNEAU

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TRANSLATION. (COPY)

HQ. 1001 Motor Transport Detachment.

File No. 576/2A

SUBJECT: Organisation of 1001 Motor Transport Coy.

TO : HQ, IXth. Corps.
Office of the Adjutant and Mobilisation.

This HQ on 15 Feb 44 has complied with the Order No. 1809, dated 13 Jan of SURE (General Staff, Royal (Italian) Army), Office of the Adjutant and Mobilisation, and has duly notified the latter that it was ready to move forward with establishment as prescribed in the Appendix to the abovementioned order.

The same afternoon, this detachment received from English Army HQ a total of:

Motor Cycles 10
15 cwt. Trucks 9
3 ton Trucks 126

Distributed as follows:

<u>HQ. Platoon.</u>	<u>each</u>
Motor Cycles	5
15 cwt. Trucks	2
3 ton Trucks	8

Maintenance Squad.

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3 ton Trucks	3

Section.

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Permit me to point out to you that such a complement of vehicles, it is not possible for this detachment to function for a few days, until the detachment has no personnel on the sick-book, on leave, or detached for other duty. This is because, as is known each operating section has the following establishment :-

Officers	1
N.C.Os.	2
Dispatch/Riders	1
Technicians	2
Mechanics	1
Drivers	23

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It is necessary, therefore, for each section to have the following personnel:

- 4 Squad Commanders, with no vehicles assigned to them.
- 8 (Minimum reserve drivers.
- 1 Assistant driver for the 15cwt. truck.
- 1 cook, in case the section becomes detached (from the main body).

Hq. Platoon.

With a reduced establishment of 28 men and 15 assigned vehicles, it cannot move at all.

If the Hq Platoon does not have assigned to it:

- A Gas and Oil Squad, which should have at least 4 men.
- Any personnel for supervision and control of vehicles.
- Any personnel for a Motor Transport Office, or despatching office.

Furthermore there is lacking:

- A Supply N.C.O., a Mess Corporal, cooks, tailor, shoemaker or barber. Also necessary would be 4 men for miscellaneous services.

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Maintenance Squad.

It would be necessary to increase the number of drivers from 3 to 5, and to increase the number of technicians, in view of the increase of the number of vehicles over that of the normal motor transport detachment, and also in view of their used condition, and the necessary repairs and good maintenance necessary to keep them operating.

Specifically it is proposed to increase the establishment as follows:

In each	}	Drivers.....	13
Section		Cooks.....	1

HQ. Platoon	}	Drivers and clerks.....	15
		Basics for general service..	6

Maintenance	}	Drivers.....	2
Squad		Technicians.....	5

It would be desirable that this personnel were soldiers of serious character suited for working with the Allies which is no easy task.

It is suggested furthermore, that the posting of an additional officer would be desirable, in fact indispensable to the charge of movements and the direction of the maintenance shop, which may assume great importance in view of the bad condition of the vehicles.

The Commanding Captain.
(Signed) Fernando Galfa.

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Allegato al foglio n° 1803/Ord. del 11/12/1944

ORGANICI DA ASSISTERE DALLA 1001^a COMPAGNIA AUTIERI

(a trasformazione avvenuta la ex, sarà denominata 1001^a autocarro)

Comprende:

- comandante
- pl. comando
- 5 sezioni
- 1 sq. autoff.

COMANDANTE (Cap. aut. s.p.e.)

PILOTONE COMANDO

C/te (uff. ai servizi - Subalterno)

Sottuff. di contabilità

Sottuff. capo operaio

Meccanici

Operai specializzati

Conduttori di autocarri

Motociclisti

Militari per servizi vari

Totale pl. comando

SEZIONE

C/te (sub. automob.)

Meccanici

Operai specializzati

Conduttori di autocarri

Motociclisti

Totale sezione

Totale 5 sezioni

SQUADRA AUTOFF.

Meccanici e operai specializzati

Conduttori

Totale sq. autoff.

Totale generale

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-	1	-
-	1	-
-	-	4
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SD 233 (°) Ref your SD 2582¹¹⁵⁰ and SD 2584¹¹⁵⁰ of 12 Feb (°)
 FIRST (°) Instructions passed to Italian Gen Staff to
 form AUTOREPARTO from 1001 GT Coy (°) New unit will be
 known as 1001 AUTOREPARTO (°) ~~SECOND (°) then are~~
~~surplus 1001 personnel and vabs to join 1002 GT Coy (°)~~
~~SECOND~~ (°) Presume arrangements made for move of 150
 drivers ex SARDINIA now in NAPLES by ~~ASS~~ ^{FLAMBO} is this correct
 (°) ~~THIRD~~ (°) 1002 GT Coy after receiving surplus
 personnel from 1001 GT Coy and extra dvrs will be larger
 than required for 168 British GT Coy (°) Are all to
 move to BRINDISI on 15 Feb or only those necessary to
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G. C. Capt.

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SUBJECT:- Reorganisation of Gen. Tpt Coys

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Rear H.G. (JULIA)
LEADING (LEACE)
SD/6/9
13 Feb 44

Chief of Staff, S.M.R.N.

Confirming instructions given verbally this morning (Lt Col ALLBETTONI - Capt FOX) I am to request you to make the following reorganisation of G.T. Coys.

1. N° 1001 G.T. Coy will be used to form a new unit to be known as N° 1001 AUTOREPARTO.

2. The establishment to be:

Headquarters

Personnel 30
Vehicles 3 ton 5
" 15 cwt 3
Motorcycles 5

5 Sections totalling

Personnel 150
Vehicles 3 ton 120
" 15 cwt 5
Motorcycles 220

Auto Officine

Personnel 15
Vehicles 3 ton 1
" 15 cwt 1

3. The new unit is to be ready to move on 15 Feb 44 and will be under command of the Allied Control Commission as from that date.

4. Surplus personnel of N° 1001 G.T. Coy not required for the formation of N° 1001 Autoreparto will join N° 1002 G.T. Coy on 15 Feb 44.

5. N° 1002 G.T. Coy will move to BRINDISI on 15 Feb to take over vehicles and equipment from 168 British G.T. Coy under supervision S.M. N° 2 District.

6. N° 1002 G.T. Coy will receive 150 drivers ex SARDINIA now on the mainland, on 15 Feb 44.

7. It is requested that you send a representative from N° 1002 Coy to N° 168 British G.T. Coy tomorrow 14 Feb to make administrative arrangements.

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7. It is requested that you send a representative from No 1002 Coy to No 168 British G.T. Coy tomorrow 14 Feb to make administrative arrangements.

8. It would appear that No 1002 G.T. Coy will be larger than required to take over from 168 G.T. Coy. You will be notified immediately if the whole of No 1002 Coy is not required to move to BRINDICI.

ABC

G. P. Cap
1st Brigadier,
Army Sub Comm A.D.C.

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FROM G DISTWO.
025820 Request you arrange for AUTORE PARTO to be formed
by 15 Feb from 1001 (Trakin) Gen Per by as follows: 1 Read A personnel
B veh 2 for C veh 15 unit D m/dylos 1 First 1 HQ consisting
of 30 B 5 C 3 D 5 1 Second 1 First sec to follow A 150 B 120
C 5 D 5 1 Third 1 One sec auto officing or wksp consisting of
A 15 B 1 C 1 D 1 1 Total strength of autore parts A 195 of
which 140 must be chwan in B 126 C 9 D 100 Surplus personnel

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of 1001 (Italian) Gen Lpt Coy after forming the austro parts will
be posted to 1002 (Italian) Gen Lpt Coy. Austro parts will come
under command ACC as from 15 Feb and will be prepared to
move on that date as ordered by ACC. British Cavalry will not
rpt not move with austro parts and 1001 (Italian) Gen Lpt
Coy cease to be British RAAC responsibility w.e.f. 15 Feb.

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168 Genlpt Coy augmented if necessary by 2 District resources so as to enable 168 Genlpt Coy to embark at 90 per cent we on mkt 29 will provide British cadre for 1002 Genlpt Coy under Arrangements ST 2 District O 168 Genlpt Coy will await orders to move from 2 District							
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EXTRACT FROM AFHQ ADV ADM ECH LETTER 2553 (SD) dated 9 Feb 44.

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1. 1001 Gen Tpt Coy

1001 Gen Tpt Coy will come under comd Allied Control Commission w.e.f. 15 Feb and will move to destination to be signalled by ACC to 2 District, copy to this HQ.

2 District will ensure that this unit has sufficient NCOs and dvrs to operate 120 load carrying vehs and is self contained for internal adm. Surplus personnel (approx 3. offrs and 100 ORs) will be posted to 1002 Gen Tpt Coy.

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FABLE AND ACS FOR WEBSTER (4) ACMF PBS MMIA
FATIMA DISTWO 57 AREA

Ref ACS signed Webster 248 cite AASF 66 of 6 Feb. On arrival 8 Feb 450
Italian personnel from Sardinia composing 2nd Prov Truck Bn allocation
will be as follows.

1st. For PBS 300 Dvrs out of which Dvrs for 2 CM Truck CO for ACC
will be found.

2nd. For DISTWO 150 Dvrs assigned to 1002 Gen TPT COY (Italian)
1001 Gen TPT assigned. 3214

3rd. For ACMF. This completes serial 20 Priority List 7.

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2 DISTRICT (NED) MMIA

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SD 609/13512 4

warning order ①
will be placed at disposal of ACC
wef 15 Feb for distribution of food
to civilian population ① District will arrange
- page with MMIA to form a fourth pl
in order the complete unit to 120
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Report by Capt. J.M. CRAIG on Visit to
558 Water Tank Coy. 1001 and 1002 Italian Gen Tpt Coys, and
562 Arty Coy R.A.S.C.

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- (1) Contacted 558 Water Tank Coy RASC and was informed that they were retaining the 10 vehicles which were issued to them in error by 562 Arty Coy RASC for the purpose of training 1002 Gen Tpt Coy, also they told me they were going to commence to draw the remainder of the vehicles for 1002 Coy on the 25th Jan.
- (2) Contacted Italian O.C. of 1002 Gen Tpt Coy and found that the present strength was, 8 Officers, 16 N.C.Os, 85 O.Rs and more men were arriving daily. At the present moment they had only one vehicle which was being used for domestic purposes.
- (3) Contacted 2 i/c of 1001 Gen Tpt Coy and he informed me that the Coy would have completely moved to PALO DE COLL location of British Cadre 130 Water Tank Coy by 23rd of Jan. He also told me that they had not done any training as the 6 vehicles they had for this purpose four had been V.O.R. and the remaining two had been used for domestic purposes.
- (4) Contacted O.C. 562 Arty Coy RASC. He told me he would be able to complete the requirements of vehicles for 1001 Coy but at the present moment there were not any 3 ton vehicles in R.V.S. available for 1002 Coy.

23 Jan 44.

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4410/ST (°) Please inform if you can accept 1001 ITALIAN WT COY on
26 Jan at PALODECOLLE

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ST/27 1001 Italian GT Coy was completed officers OOS and
Vehicles and ready to be moved under DISTWO orders through the
HQ of Cadex Coy Comdr has made arrangements to accommodate in
vicinity 130 White Tank Coy location at PALADESCHE 2877 0 It is not
understood how poor Italian GT Coy can operate under instructions
of 50 GT Coy so far away at BARDISI 0 This HQ

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2. DISTRICT (Rptd)

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Date 23 Jan 44

to

ITALIAN ARMY.

Message Instructions

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SD 349/11141

Ref This HQ 2553/1650 dated 11 Jan and 278/1045 dated 17 Jan @ 130 and 558 water PK. case will also be responsible for TRP of 1001 and 1102 ITALIAN GEN TRP cys @ Delete all ref to 50.168 gen to cys

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Report by Capt. J.M. GARIG

10 Veh Coy R.A.S.C., 562 Arty Coy, R.A.S.C. & 130 Water Tank Coy
with reference to formation of 1001 Italian Gen Tpt Coy.

(1) Contacted 10 Veh Coy and was told releases had been made for 286 x 3 Ton 30 x 15 cwt and 50 M/C, and they informed me that a number of the above had already been taken over by 562 Arty Coy for necessary repairs before handing over to 130 Water Tank (British Cadre to 1001 Gen Tpt Coy).

(2) Contacted O.C. 562 Arty Coy R.A.S.C. He told me he had taken over 46 x 3 ton from 10 Veh Coy and they were now in a Roadworthy condition. Of these 10 x 3 had been handed over to 558 Water Tank Coy (British Cadre to 1002 Italian G.T. Coy) and 10 x 3 ton to 130 Water Tank Coy. From information which I had understood that 1001 Italian Gen Tpt Coy was to be completed first. I arranged with the O.C. of 562 Arty Coy that he should have the 10 x 3 ton he had handed over to 558 Water Tank Coy R.A.S.C. transferred to 130 Water Tank Coy. The O.C. of 562 Arty Coy stated that he would have all the vehicles for 1001 Italian Gen Tpt Coy Roadworthy and handed over to 130 Water Tank by 24 Jan. These will comprise of:

10 x 3 Ton - 10 x 15 cwt - 10 M/C.

(3) Contacted O.C. 130 Water Tank Coy at FALC DE CHL. He informed me that he had found accommodation for all personnel of 1001 Gen Tpt Coy, and was now waiting for an advance party for the purpose of clearing their billets. O.C. of 1001 Italian Gen Tpt Coy had visited him and told him that the above Coy was up to establishment - 10 officers

10 POCs
585 ORs

and ready to move at any time.

18 Jan 44.

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J. J. J. J.
Captain, R.A.S.C.

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Report of Inspection by Lt. Col. H.B. Finch. A.D.S.T. I.I.A.
of Italian Installations in vicinity of BARI. 14th Jan 1944.

1. Visited 1004 and 1002 Italian G.T. Coys.
(a) Capt. Calfa comdg. 1004 Italian GT Coy and Capt. Serratori comdg. 1002 Italian GT Coy were both present.
(b) 1004 Italian GT Coy was still 50 men short whereas 1002 Italian GT Coy had only 10 Officers and 15 O.R.'s altogether.
(c) The following Artificer personnel had reported to 1004 Italian GT Coy:

Turners	2.
Electricians	2.
Tinsmiths	2.
Mechanics	6.
Fitters	6.
Carpenters	2.
TOTAL	20

- (a) So far Capt Serratori comdg 1002 It. G.T.Coy had not been able to find any clothing equipment.
(e) Out of the 6 lorries delivered for training 2 were in W/shops and two more were expected to go in the next day.
(f) Both Unit Comdres complained of the smallness of the Italian Nation.
(g) Major Phipps Comdg 130 Water Tank Coy BARI had been to POLIGNANO and contacted 1001 It. G.T. Coy (130 W.T.Coy is to form British Cadre).
(h) Containers full of the hot midday meal were inspected. Meal consisted of short macaroni with a little tomato flavoured in water. It was stated that this stew should have had considerable quantities of Vegetables included. This deficiency was due probably to lack of interest shown by the Italian Unit Comdr.

2. Contacted Col Lazam, Head of Commissariat at BARI and asked his permission to visit it.

3. Visited Italian Bakery in BARI commended by Lieut Col Ciampolo.

(a) An experiment was in progress trying out British Issued Canadian Flour for making bread. 300 gm loaves were seen. Appeared to be very small, badly risen and probably badly mixed. Loaves made from Italian Flour were very similar. It is thought that if loaves are produced from same quantity of flour, larger in size by better mixing and baking, then half the Italian soldiers complaint will be remedied.

DDST 2 Dist and Col Lazam have agreed that if possible a British Baker will be loaned to Italian Bakery to deal with British Issued Flour.

(b) Considerable quantities of both British and Italian flour was seen in store. Warranty expired British Issued Biscuits were observed. It was explained to the Italians the British system of warranty date marking. They were advised to issue the biscuits in question and not keep in store. Italian Biscuits in a very weevily state were also seen. The removal of these weevily biscuits immediately before the insects could lay their eggs. **3208** lbs of flour in the vicinity was strongly advised.

(c) Some Italian tinned Preserved Meat was in stock in store.

(d) These stores supplied about 26,000 men and 500 loaves were baked a day.

(e) A consignment of bad loaves in a sack was observed. The appearance of these loaves gave the indication that the failure was due to "mould spore". In this connection, and the fact that "mould" is a constant trouble in British contract civilian bakeries, a close watch will have to be kept to prevent destruction of large quantities of Flour.

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4. Visited Italian Supply Depot BARI commanded by Major Padula Guiseppa.
- (a) Stocks were well laid out and accommodation was good. The recent bombing had damaged the roof and stocks were covered with tarpaulins.
- (b) Considerable stock of Italian cheese was observed as well as all other Italian supplies.

In the Field.

15 Jan 1944.

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A.D.S.E. M.H.I.A.

SUBJECT:- Italian Gen Tpt Coys

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2553/G(SD)

13 Jan 44

Ref your SD90 dated 11 Jan.

1. The policy for formation of Italian Gen Tpt Coys remains unchanged. The three coys now forming are to be completely Italian, on Italian organisation and under Italian cmd. A British advisory Cadre, vide Appx 'A' to this HQ 2553/1/G(SD) dated 11 Jan, will be att to each coy for liaison and supervision. When formed and trained, these Italian Coys are designed to take over the equipment of such British Gen Tpt Coys as may be withdrawn from the Italian theatre and vehicles now being taken into service then become available for further parties of Italian personnel.

2. Your para 3 agreed.

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S.M. Taylor

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SUBJECT:-- Gen Tpt Coys - Italian

AFHQ ADV ADM ECH
GMP
2553/1/G(SD)
11 Jan 44

2 District (2)

Copy to:-- G(SD) 15 Army Gp (2)

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MILITARY MISSION.

Date _____
to
ITALIAN ARMY.

1. Ref this HQ SD 920/2200 dated 30 Dec 43 and 100/7250 dated 4 Jan 44. MILIA is forming 1001 and 1002 MT Coys (Italian) for att for trg to 50 Coy RASC and 168 Coy RASC. G(SD) 15 Army Gp is releasing trg vens.
2. 2 District will place 150 and 598 Water Tk Coys RASC on maint basis as soon as possible and use surplus personnel to form Br Cadres for 1001 and 1002 MT Coys. 2 District will apply to 15 Army Gp for authy to form these cadres on WS, vide Appx 'A' att.
3. Wasp sees of 130 and 598 Water Tk Coys will NOT be on charge to 1001 and 1002 MT Coys but will be used by the Br Cadres for the benefit of these two coys.
4. In addition to Wasp facilities in para 3 above, 2 District will make available 562 Arty Coy, recently arrived from MA, as second line Wasp, and as many vens as possible (up to max 400) will be drawn from 15 Army Gp. These vens will be taken on charge by 50 Coy RASC and 168 Coy RASC who will render normal Census return.
5. A weekly progress report on the above is required until further notice.

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Date _____ to
ITALIAN ARMY.

1. Ref this HQ SD 920/6260 dated 30 Dec 43 and 100/7250 dated 4 Jan 44. MMIA is forwarding 1001 and 1002 MT Coys (Italian) for att for trg to 50 Coy RASC and 168 Coy RASC. 3(SD) 15 Army Gp is releasing trg vehs.

2. 2 District will place 130 and 558 Water Tk Coys RASC on maint basis as soon as possible and use surplus personnel to form Br Cadres for 1001 and 1002 MT Coys. 2 District will apply to 15 Army Gp for authy to form these cadres on WE, vide Appx 'A' att.

3. Wksp secs of 130 and 558 Water Tk Coys will NOT be on charge to 1001 and 1002 MT Coys but will be used by the Br Cadres for the benefit of these two coys.

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Seen by AGST
+ 40 pgs made for
ST file
Signed

Lt Col. G.S.

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Appendix 'A' to 2553/1/G
(SD) dat Jan 44

WE of Cadre as used with 1600 Gen Tpt Coy. Recommended ²
for adoption with 1001 and 1002 Gen Tpt Coys.

Admin Personnel

	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>
OC British Cadre - Major	1	
2 i/o " " - Capt	1	
Adm Subaltern - Lt	1	
COMS		
Adm Sjt		1
Dvr/Mechs		1
Dvr/Batman		2
Cook		3
General Duties		1
		2

Wkg Personnel

Wkg Offr - Capt	1	
MSM		
MSS		1
Blacksmith		1
Carpenter and Joiner		1
Turner		1
Electrician		1
Fitters		1
TMT Clerks		3
TMT Storemen		3
		2

Total.

424

ECT:-- Italian G.T. Coys

MILITARY MEDICAL

HQ No. 2 District
C.H.F.
4410/ST.

OC, 562 Arty Coy.,
GIL, MOLA.

12 Jan 44.

ITALIAN ARMY.

Attached hereto G(SD) release No. 2030/2G dated 12 Jan, releasing the first 90 class II 3 ton 4 x 2 GS vehicles for your overhauling and handing over to No. 1004 Italian G.T. Coy.

1. Will you please immediately contact 10 Vehicle Coy and arrange to earmark the vehicles required by you and to draw these out in small batches as you are able to deal with them.
2. It is confirmed that Ord 4t this HQ agree that your Coy can have free access to Vehicle Parks for the purpose of securing spares required from class IV vehicles and in addition, in the event of vehicles being withdrawn by you and subsequently found to be beyond your scope of repair, can be returned by you to the Vehicle Park, and your Coy will then only be charged with the nett number of vehicles actually put into commission by you.
3. All vehicles so drawn will be held on your charge pending official disposal instructions to new Italian Coy. These may however be handed over by you in turn to 130 and 558 Water Tank Coys on signature after you have completed necessary repairs on same.
4. A short Directive on the forming of the two new Coys is being issued by this office pending receipt of proper Staff Instructions on this matter.

T.O.O./K.V.A.
FAB/JMK.

Copy to:-- DDST, AFHQ Adv Adm Ech.
ST, 6 Base Sub Area,
71 Sub Area,
OC, 130 Water Tank Coy
558 Water Tank Coy
10 Vehicle Coy,

M.H.I.A.
G(SD)

Colonel.
D.D.S.T.

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Capt. Thrupp

File 4507

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Colonel.
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