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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

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DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN: 041045A

FROM (A) ROME AREA

TO (FOR ACTION) MMIA

TO (FOR INFORMATION)

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS | GR

(REF. No.) SD 1132 (SECURITY CLASSIFICATION) RESTRICTED

PAREN ROME AREA PAREN (.) RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR SD 1530 OF 3 (.) STRENGTH GRANATIERI 10 OFFRS 28 NCOS 197 ORS (.) REQUEST EXPEDITE RFTS MOVE TO COMPLETE TOTAL OF GRANATIERI TO 248 LESS OFFRS

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION

G-3 BRITISH

PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

ORIGINATING SECTION: G-3 BRITISH

A. G. AUTHENTICATION: L. E. CHEEK CAPT. A. G. D. Adjutant General

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

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FROM MMTA

TO RAAC

RPTD WAR MINISTRY

SD 1530

RESTRICTED

Request you report latest strengths in offrs and men of the two Italian GRANATIERI coys under your cond (.) PAREN HOME COMMAND _____ PAREN (.)

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATED _____

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(A)	MAIN AAI	031220A

For Action

AFHQ MMIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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Office Date Stamp

AAI/A
FILE REF
Date Recd 4/10

Message Instructions — CR

Originator's No.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commiss-ion
APO 394

ACC/14601/43/PS

4 October 1944

SD/18

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SUBJECT : Security - Guards.

TO : Army Sub-Commission.

With reference to the attached letter from Deputy Commander, Rome Allied Area Command, will you please take the necessary action.

Your attention is drawn to Executive Commissioners Memorandum 302/218/CA dated September 21, 1944, which lays down the policy that Police will not be used for guard duties or any kind of work other than regular Police duty.

for JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission

Copy to: Deputy Commander RAAC
(Reference letter RAAC/9/100/G-3/(Br) dated 29 Sept 1944.)
RPSO Lazio Region.

HP/jwf

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

RAAC/9/100/G-3 (Br)

29 September 1944

SUBJECT : Security - Guards

TO : HQ ACC

1. In the near future, Sir D'Arcy Osborne, His Britannic Majesty's Minister to the Holy See, will take up resident at:-

1, Via di Parco Popoli, ROME,

and the provision of Italian Military Guards to ensure the security of the above-mentioned address will be required by day and night.

2. It would be greatly appreciated if the necessary arrangements could be made as soon as possible, in order that the guard, required in approximately two weeks, may be available when required. 175

3. Will you please confirm that this detail will be considered early?

/s/ ?

/t/ AIRAN IRW,
Brigadier
Deputy Commander.

Copy to: Sir D'Arcy Osborne.

COPY 4/10/44

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IN LIEU OF MESSAGE FORM

1248 ROUTINE 1248 284

QVR -4

FROM: DISTRIBE

TO: (ACTION) AAI 011010A

(INFO) FREEDOM 70 SUB AREA MEIA

0439

257 SECRET

Ref your A605/50/12/9(SD1) dated 7 Sept. Para 2. 2 BNS of 76 INFTY REGT MANTOVA available move on and after 6 Oct.

Deciphered 011540AEFS.

3/10 QCR

A.Q. OK by me as long as 3. Distr have the area ready and can maintain them. How does this stand? WD 40d

CIPHER

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SECRET

From SMRE Translation Reg 7385/ORD
To Mil Zg Puglia e Lucania Date Sept 30, 1944
Subject 535 Special Guard Co 284

As per Oct 1st, the 577 Co. of the 120th Inf Regt, located at CAMPOBASSO, must be given its administrative independence, and it will assume the name: 535 Special Guard Co.

It will continue to depend on the Military District of Campobasso on disciplinary questions, until new orders are issued.

In the periodic reports, the strength of the Co. in question should be shown separately. 170

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3/10/2CR.

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COPIA PER M.A. L.A.

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SEGRETO

Dr 2/10.

N° 7385 /Ord. di prot.

P.M.151, 30 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: 535^ cp. speciale guardia.-

535 Special Guard Coy

INCOMING	85
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AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA P.M. 67

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e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Gabinetto - Ufficio C.A.
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA P.M.151
ALLO S.M.R.E. = Ispett. Tr.Ausiliarie P.M.120
ALLO S.M.R.E. = Ufficio Operazioni SEDE
ALLO S.M.R.E. = Ufficio Servizi SEDE

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Con decorrenza dal 1° ottobre p.v., la 5^ cp. del 120° reggimento fanteria, dislocata in Campobasso, dovrà essere resa amministrativamente autonoma ed assumerà la denominazione di: 535^ cp. speciale guardia.- 772

Continuerà a dipendere, fino a nuovo ordine, dal distretto militare di Campobasso per le questioni di carattere disciplinare.-

Nelle segnalazioni periodiche, la forza della cp. in questione dovrà figurare a parte.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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535 Special Guard Coy

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Date Recd 21 I

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(Alessandro Santi)

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(G.Chiavarino)

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Translation

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From SMLE
To Mil. Hq. Puglia & Lucania

Ref 7084/ORD
Date Sept 30.

Subject Forming and mobilization of the 12th Co. of the 3rd Bn/408th Inf. Regt - New name of ordered Co.

No Draft

Letter to Gen 5621/ORD dated August 13, 1944.

1) In regard to a/mentioned Co. which has been planned with the personnel of the disbanded 107 T. Bn please note:

- Mobilization Center: 139th Inf Regt. Depot at Cannesano;
- Date of formation
- date of mobilization } Sept 1, 1944

2) Commencing October 1st, said Co. must be given its administrative independence and it will assume the name of: 534th Special Guard Co.. Until further orders it will depend on Hq 3rd Bn/408th Inf Regt on question of discipline.

— In the periodic reports the strength of the Co. must be shown separately and not united with the one of the

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCI
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SEGRETO

N° 7384 /Ord. di prot. P.M.151, 30 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: Costituzione e mobilitazione della 12ª cp. del III/408° fanteria. - Nuova denominazione della cp. stessa.-

Mobilitation and formation of the 12th Co. of the 3rd Bn. of the 408th Inf. Regt.

AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA ..... P.M. 67
- rif. f° 4701/Ord. del 10 corr.

MAIL & R.A.
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Date Recd 10

e, per conoscenza:

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Seguito foglio 5621/Ord. del 13 agosto c.a.-

1°) - Nei riguardi della cp. in oggetto, costituita con il personale del disciolto 107° btg. T. si determina:

- centro di mobilitazione: dep.139°rgt.ftr. Conversano;
- data di costituzione: } 1° settembre 1944
- data di mobilitazione: }

2°) - Con decorrenza dal 1° ottobre p.v., la compagnia predetta dovrà essere resa amministrativamente autonoma ed assumerà la denominazione di: 534ª cp.speciale guardia.- Continuerà a dipendere, fino a nuovo ordine, dal comando III/408° ftr. per le questioni di carattere disciplinare. Nelle segnalazioni periodiche la forza della cp. dovrà figurare a parte e non essere conglobata in quella del III/408° ftr.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO

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- rif. f° 4701/Ord. del 10 corr.

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IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(G.Chiavarino)

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
- Ufficio Operazioni -

nº 2017.5 di prot. OP. P.M. 151, li 21 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: battaglioni aggregati dalla Divisione "Mantova".-

AL COMANDO 227ª DIVISIONE FANTERIA P.M. 186
AL COMANDO 228ª DIVISIONE FANTERIA P.M. 16

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA = UFF. C.A. SEDE
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "T" P.M. 151
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA P.M. 120
ALLA M.M.I.A. - SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ESERCITO ROMA
(Riferimento foglio SD 16 del 21/9/1944)
ALL'UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOB. S.M.R.E. SEDE
ALL'UFFICIO TRASPORTI S.M.R.E. SEDE

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La M.M.I.A. Sottocommissione Esercito ha comunicato che i due battaglioni ceduti dalla Divisione "Mantova" agli Alleati attualmente alle dipendenze d'impiego

- 120º btg. ftr. dell'8ª Armata
- II/119 ftr. del 3º Distretto

dovranno entro il giorno 14 ottobre trasferirsi in località del Beneventano per ricongiungersi alla propria Divisione.

Si prega di dare il preavviso ai reparti ad inoltrare all'Ufficio Trasporti di questo S.M. la relativa richiesta trasporti.=

Si fa riserva di comunicare, appena se ne sarà a conoscenza, le stazioni di scarico.=

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ALLA DELEGAZIONE "I"
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA
ALLA M.M.I.A. - SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ESERCITO
(Riferimento foglio SD 18 del 21/9/1944)
ALL'UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOB. S.M.R.E.
ALL'UFFICIO TRASPORTI S.M.R.E.

P.M. 120
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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Alessandro Santi -

above plate that 120 Inf Bn & 2 Bn 119 Regt both of MANTOVA have been alerted & move to S about mid-Oct4-G-2-9.

M.M.I.A.	SD
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SECRET

SUBJECT: Italian Guard Battalions

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY.
Tel : FILPOT 73.
1605/50/12/G(SD1). Rep to.
29 Sep 44.

AFHQ (10)

Copy to : MMIA

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Reference this HQ letter 1605/30/2/G(SD1) dated 24 Sep 44 - Appendix 'A'.

1. Further investigation into the roles in which Italian guard battalions are employed has revealed that during the advance Eighth Army has left 120 Inf Bn (MANTOVA) in the VAIRANO area where it is at present guarding the following VP's and installations in 64 Garrison:-

HQ 64 Garrison	1 NCO and 9 OR's
Rly Br [illegible] N3978	One pl
Rly Tunnel TELESE N4990	One pl
Rly Br BENEVENTO	One pl
DID CAPUA	1 NCO and 9 OR's
789 Railhead SPARANISE	One pl
DID VAIRANO	1 NCO and 9 OR's
45 SIS VAIRANO	1 NCO and 9 OR's
Railhead VAIRANO	One pl
RE Stores VAIRANO	One pl
Amn Dump [illegible] G9911	Two pls
CASSINO Monastery	One pl
9 Veh Pk CAPUA	One pl

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2. 120 Inf Bn is a unit on temporary loan from MANTOVA Div and is required to concentrate with the div in the S.N GIORGIO area by 14 Oct 44 for reorganisation into the fifth Combat Group.

3. This HQ letter referred to above recommends an allotment to 3 District of three Italian guard battalionsfor all commitments excluding CALABRIA and SICILY and at present this allotment is filled as follows:-

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504 Italian Gd Bn
520 Italian Gd Coy } being combined to form
114 MG Bn } one bn

one bn ex SARDINIA allotted by this HQ signal SD 1874 dated 24 Sep to relieve 2 Bn 119 Regt(CANNOVA)

4. It will NOT be possible to allot a further Italian guard battalion to 3 District without either

(a) Increasing the number of bns required to twenty three, in which case the international ceiling would be exceeded, or

(b) re-arranging the allocation recommended in the above mentioned Appendix, which is NOT feasible in the case of Fifth Army, Eighth Army or 1 District.

5. Will you please say whether you agree to release 120 Inf Bn to concentrate at S.N GIORGIO by 14 Oct without relief.?

for General,
Commander in Chief.

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MMLA FILE REF Date Recd 30 Jul 91

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LKOF 4 LRLC MR 47

FROM MMLA LO LEGMARO 291942A

TO ACTION MMLA ROME

INFO -- ET

(SD11 (.) RESTRICTED. REF YOUR SD 1495 OF 26 (.) 64 GEN MESSAGE SD11 OF 27 TO YOU FOR INFO CONTAINS FULL DETAILS

ET

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RECD MR 47 SLM 30/2214 AR K

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MRS 30/7

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RESTRICTED

SUBJECT:- Italian Gd Bns

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
SD/18

29 Sep 44

A.A.I.

Ref your letter, subject as above, dated 16 Sep 44.

1. Herewith, for your approval, WE proposed by Italian War Ministry for the standard Italian Gd Bn.

2. The WE fulfills the conditions laid down in para 2 of above AAI letter, and is agreed by this HQ.

Major General
M M I A

Copy to:- SD/17

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PROPOSED WAR ESTABLISHMENT

GUARD BATTALION

Comprises:- Bn H.Q.
4 GUARD COYS

Bn H.Q.

Includes :

- C.O. and HQ Officers
- One HQ Platoon

C.O. and HQ Officers

	PERSONNEL								T P T
	Officers	Senior N.C.O.'s	Junior N.C.O.'s and Troops	Automatic Rifles	L.M.G.	Bicycles	Cars	Lorries	
C.O. (Lt Col or Major)	1								
Adjutant (Subaltern)	1								
Officer i/c Supplies (Subaltern)	1								
Officer i/c Adm (Subaltern)	1								
Medical Officer (Subaltern)	1								
TOTAL.....	5								

HQ PLATOON

S/Sjt or W/Sjt		1						
Clerks - typists :								
- Sjt or L/Sjt			2					
- Cpl or L/Cpl			1					
- Ptes			1					
Medical Orderly			2			2		
Bicycle Messenger			3				2	
Batmen (of which two Batmen Drivers)			2					
Cooks and Officers Mess Waiters			2					1
Lorry Drivers								
TOTAL - HQ PLATOON.....		2	13			2	2	1
TOTAL - Bn H.Q.	5	2	13			2	2	1

- One HQ Platoon

C.O. and HQ Officers

	Officers	Senior N.	Junior N. and Tro	Automatic	L.M.G.	Bicycles	Cars	Lorries
C.O. (Lt Col or Major)	1							
Adjutant (Subaltern)	1							
Officer i/c Supplies (Subaltern)	1							
Officer i/c Adm (Subaltern)	1							
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TOTAL.....	5							

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TOTAL - HQ PLATOON.....		2	13			2	2	1
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* when not driving
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Explanation from
HEADQUARTERS SD
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GUARD COY

Comprises:- Coy H.Q.
4 Platoons

COY H.Q.

	PERSONNEL									
	Officers	Senior NCO's	Junior NCO's and troops	Auto Rifles	L.M.G.	Bicycles	T	P	T	Cars / Lorries
O.C. (Capt or Lieut)	1									
C.C. (Senior N.C.O.)		1								
Cpl or L/Cpl Clerk			1							
Buglers			2							
Batman - orderly			1							
Cyclist Messenger			1			1				
Cooks			2							
Lorry Drivers			2							1
TOTAL - HQ COY.....	1	1	9			1				1

GUARD PLATOON (2 Secs)

O.C. (Subaltern)	1			1						
Section Commander (Senior N.C.O.)		2		2						
Deputy Section Commander (Cpl or L/Cpl)			2							
Cpls			2							
Ptes			38		2					
Batman - messenger			1							
TOTAL - GUARD PLATOON.....	1	2	45	3	2					
TOTAL - 4 PLATOONS.....	4	8	172	12	8					
TOTAL - GUARD COY.....	5	9	181	12	8	1				1

SUMMARY - GUARD BATTALION

Bn H.Q.	5	2	13			2		2		1
4 Guard Coys	20	36	724	48	32	4				4
TOTAL GUARD BATTALION.....	25	38	737	48	32	6		2		5
		800								

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Subject: Clothing for Two Guard Bns Ex Sardinia for 5 Army
Telephone Call Lt. Col. Shipley--Maj. Smith 29 Sept.

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MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
29 September 1944.

Memo: For Record.

1. Major Smith advised that Allied clothing had been issued to the full combined strength of 1,590 Officers and men of 510 Bn, 511 Bn. Hq Command No 3 and Hq Command No 6. Issue was made from stock already held by PBS at Camp ASTRONI, in accordance with arrangements agreed between Maj. Smith and PBS. We are now committed to make replacement issues to Camp ASTRONI. No action had been taken at Naples as a result of earlier telephone instruction from Lt. Col. Shipley to Major Long and Capt. Thrup, and the above arrangement was made by Major Smith after his return from Rome.

2. Lt. Col. Shipley pointed out that complete issues of all items to every officer and OR appeared excessive. The actual need of all Italian Officers for battledress, shoes and other items is very doubtful. Also, some of the OR's must have been in possession of some serviceable clothing.

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Lt. Col. Q (AE)
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SEGRETO

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n. 7093 /Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 25 sett. 1944

OGGETTO: organico btg. guardia.-

MMIA
Ref Ref
Received 27/9/44

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (MMIA)

R O M A

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Risposta foglio SD/18 del 20 corrente.-

Si trasmette per l'approvazione l'organico di un btg. guardia.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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BATTAGLIONE GUARDIA

Comprende:

- comando di btg.
- 4 cp. guardia

COMANDO DI BTG.

Comprende:

- il comandante e gli ufficiali del comando
- una sq. comando

COMANDANTE E UFF. DEL COMANDO

	PERSONALE								
	Uffic.	Sottuff.	Truppa	Moschetti automatici	Fuc.mitragl.	Biciclette	Automezzi: Autovetture	Automezzi: Autocarri	
Comandante (ten.col.o magg.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Aiutante magg.(subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ufficiale subalterno ai rifornimenti	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ufficiale subalterno di amministrazione o con funzioni amministrative	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ufficiale medico (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Totale	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

SQUADRA COMANDO

Maresciallo o serg. magg.di maggiorità	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scritturali - dattilografi :								
- serg. magg.o serg.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
- cap.magg.o caporali	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
- soldati	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Aiutante di sanità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Staffette ciclisti	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-
Attendenti(di cui 2 conduttori di autovett.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	2	-
Cuochi e inservienti per mensa uff.	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Conduttori di autocarro	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
Tot. sq. comando	-	2	13	-	-	2	2	1
TOTALE COMANDO DI BTG.	5	2	13	-	-	2	2	1

- una sq. comando

COMANDANTE E UFF. DEL COMANDO

Comandante (ten.col.o magg.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aiutante magg.(subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ufficiale subalterno ai rifornimenti	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ufficiale subalterno di amministrazione o con funzioni amministrative	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ufficiale medico (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totale	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SQUADRA COMANDO

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Aiutante di sanità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Staffette ciclisti	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-
Attendenti(di cui 2 conduttori di autovett.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	2	-
Cuochi e inservienti per mensa uff.	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Conduttori di autocarro	-	-	2	-	-	-	15	1
Tot. sq. comando	-	2	13	-	-	2	2	1
TOTALE COMANDO DI BTG.	5	2	13	-	-	2	2	1

(1) ~~di provenienza A.A.~~

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COMPAGNIA GUARDIA

Comprende:
- comando di cp.
- 4 plotoni guardia

COMANDO DI COMPAGNIA

	PERSONALE						Automezzi	
	Uffic.	Sottuff.	Truppa	Moschetti automatici	Fuc.mitragl.	Biciclette	Autovetture	Autocarri
Comandante (cap.o tenente)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sottufficiale di contabilità	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap.di contabilità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Trombettieri	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Ordinanza d'ufficio (attendente)	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Staffetta-ciclista	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Cucinieri	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Conduttori di autocarro	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Totole c.do cp.	1	1	9	-	-	1	-	1

PLOTONE GUARDIA (su 2 sq.)

Comandante (uff. subalterno)	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Comandanti di sq.(sottuff.)	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
Vice comandanti di sq.(cap.magg.o cap.)	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Caporali	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Soldati	-	-	38	-	2	-	-	-
Attendente-staffetta	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Totale pl. guardia	1	2	43	3	2	-	-	-
Totale 4 plotoni	4	8	172	12	8	-	-	4
Totale compagnia guardia	5	9	181	12	8	1	-	1

RIEPILOGO BTG. GUARDIA

Comando di btg.	5	2	13	-	-	2	2	1
4 compagnie guardia	20	36	724	48	32	4	-	4

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COMPAGNIA

Comandante (cap.o tenente)
Sottufficiale di contabilità
Cap.magg.o cap.di contabilità
Trombettieri
Ordinanza d'ufficio (attendente)
Staffetta-ciclista
Cucinieri
Conduttori di autocarro

Totole c.do cp.

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Soldati
Attendente-staffetta

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TOTALE BTG. GUARDIA

	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Moschetti automatici	Fuc.mi	Biciclette	Autoveicoli da turismo	Autocarri
Comandante (cap.o tenente)	1							
Sottufficiale di contabilità		1						
Cap.magg.o cap.di contabilità			1					
Trombettieri			2					
Ordinanza d'ufficio (attendente)			1					
Staffetta-ciclista			1					
Cucinieri			2					
Conduttori di autocarro			2					1
Totole c.do cp.	1	1	9	-	-	1	-	1
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TOTALE BTG. GUARDIA	25	38	737	48	32	6	2	5
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2 AAI won't hear of it especially as I'll — I'll commitment

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FROM MMLA

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TO 64 GARRISON

INFO AAI for G3D

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CONFIDENTIAL

For "C" BLU (*) GELARDI - BUTTERWORTH spoke 26 Sep (*) PAREN ROME AREA COMMAND _____ PAREN (*) 120 Italian Inf Bn now at VAIRANO was formerly loaned 8 Army for gd duties (*) Request you state soonest what gd duties it is now performing in VAIRANO

PRECEDENCE Priority

SIGNATION MMLA

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MMIA
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Date Recd 25/9/44

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SUBJECT:- Distribution of tps employed on grn and gd duties

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FILPOT 23

1605/30/2/G(SD1)

24 Sep 44

Rec'd 25/9.

AFHQ (10)

Copy to:- MMIA DCAO
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5. The final disposal of Italian units in the AAF FOGGIA will be the subject of a separate letter.

6. TRAIN GUARDS

Indian troops are employed as train guards between POTENZA and SALERNO. Owing to the problem of language and difficulties between rly op personnel and Indians, the experiment has not proved a success. Insufficient British troops are available for the whole Italian commitment and it is therefore considered that the balance of personnel must be Italian. Arrangements have been made for the importation of a bn from SARDINIA for training under 30 SOM LI. Experience in SICILY has shown that, provided Italian troops are carefully selected and trained, they do well in this role.

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7. In the Operational Zone approximately 600 personnel will be needed as guards on the railways between ORTE and BOLOGNA. At present in the Operational Zone, guards are provided by 131 Pnr Coy (approx 250). When the Italian bn has completed training under comd 30 SOM LI it is recommended that:-

(a) 550 Italian Train Gd Coy be relieved in CALABRIA by the SARANDA Div who should commence training troops in this task now. 550 Coy will then form part of the bn trained by 30 SOM LI.

(b) One coy 30 SOM LI and two Italian coys should join 131 Pnr Coy in the Operational Zone.

(c) 30 SOM LI less one coy and the Italian bn less two coys would then be responsible for all railway guards in the L of C Area excluding CALABRIA and SICILY. This would release one Ind Working Coy employed on the line POTENZA - SALERNO.

8. EXPANSION OF BRIT GRN BNS

It is understood that AFHQ intend to provide additional pls of LNC personnel for grn bns. The recommended priority of allotment is:-

Priority	
1	one pl to 30 NORFOLK
2	two pls to 30 CHESHIRE
3	one pl to 30 GREEN HOWARDS
4	one pl to 30 SOM LI
5	one pl to 30 NORFOLK

9. COMMITMENTS AND TYPES OF TROOPS TO BE PROVIDED

In view of the shortage of British and Indian troops, the policy in AAI has been that:-

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(d) provision of guards is limited to the minimum consistent with the needs of security and preventing pilferage.

10. Attached at Appendix 'B' are details of tasks which it is recommended should be accepted uniformly throughout ITALY as requiring provision of guard and garrison troops.

11. TROOPS FOR EMERGENCY CALL IN 3 DISTRICT

In view of the considerable reductions made in the numbers of guard and garrison troops in 3 District, it is recommended that the following arrangements should be made to meet a state of emergency. On notification direct of a state of emergency from Comd, 3 District,

IRTD/..... 3

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IRTD and RATD should each form the equivalent of one rifle coy ready to move at not less than one hour's notice twelve hours after receipt of the notification from Comd 3 District. 3 District will be responsible for provision of transport and any additional arms required. The necessary detailed arrangements should be made now between the Depots and Comd, 3 District.

12. ESCORTS FOR PW

Considerable difficulty has been experienced by Districts in the past in finding troops at short notice for escorting PW on ships sailing from ITALY and PW in transit within ITALY. As a result of the reduction in garrison troops, the difficulty will be increased. It is recommended that Districts should be permitted to call direct on Rft Depots to provide personnel for these duties not exceeding fifty in one week on the simple certification by the District Comd that no other troops under his comd are available for escort duties.

13. CONCLUSION

As our advance progresses into the densely populated industrial areas of the PO Valley, it will be appreciated that security and anti-pilferage precautions will represent a very great commitment in view of the turbulent nature of the many inhabitants and the conditions prevailing in these portions of ITALY.

14. The garrison hns in North Africa have not been taken into account.

15. ~~CONCLUSION~~

The proposals above are based on the decisions of a meeting held in AAI on 28 Aug modified as a result of further consideration and planning (copy of minutes 1605/30/2/G(3D1) of 30 Aug attached).

16. It is recommended that early approval be given to these proposals in order that implementation may commence.

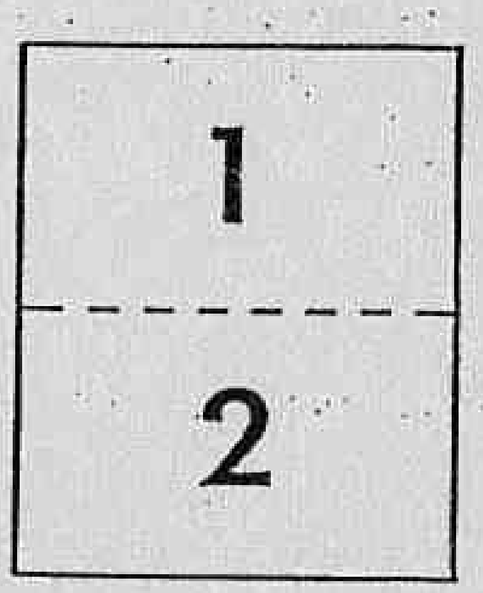
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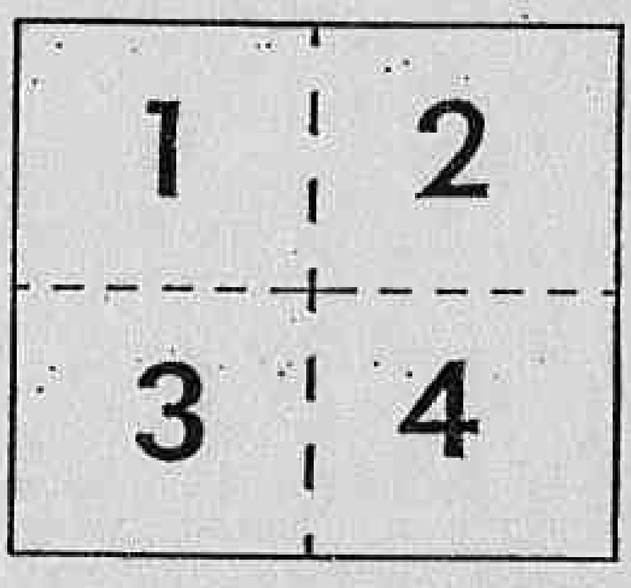
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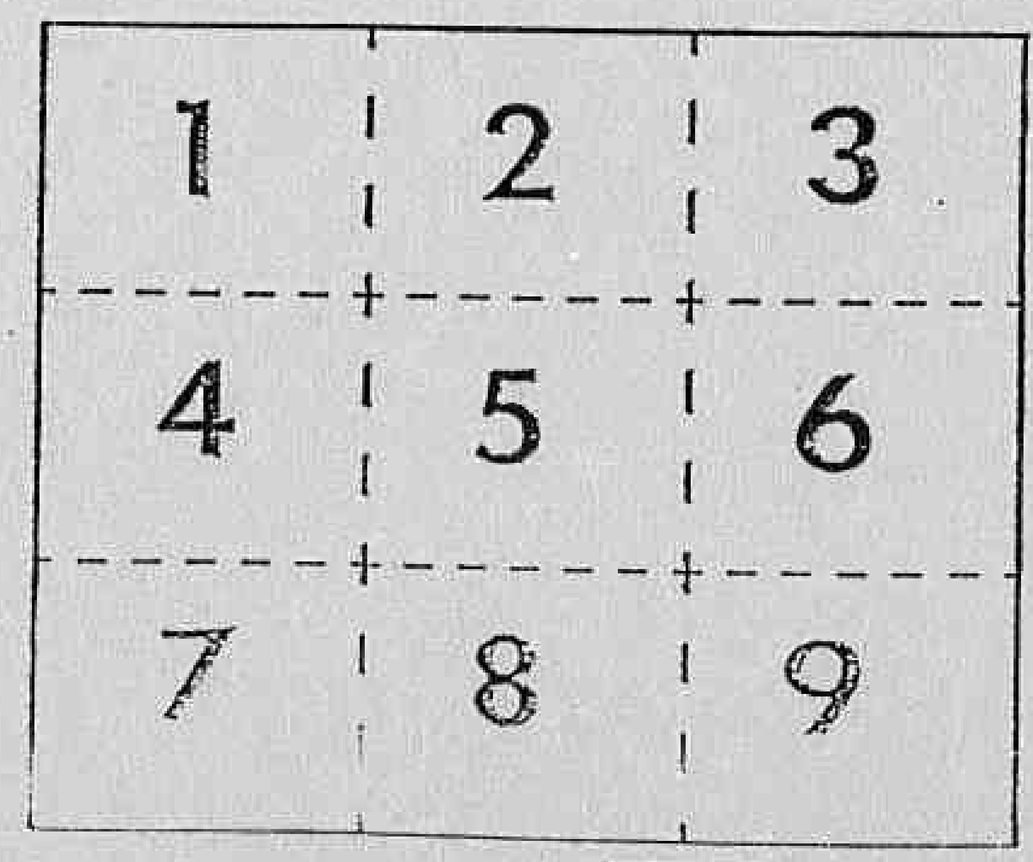
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DISTRIBUTION OF TPS ON GUARD, GARRISON AND INTERNAL SECURITY DUTIES AND ADJUSTMENTS RECOMMENDED

PHASE I - For L of C in Italy extending to line of River PO.
PHASE I.I - For L of C in Italy extending beyond River PO.

PART I - PHASE I - Requirements and Adjustments

Formation (a)	Present Order of Battle (b)	Total of bns (c)	Minimum bns required for Phase I (d)	Adjustments in progress or recommended for P (e)
1 District	30 Norfolk less one pl	1 Brit	1 Brit 3 Italian	One pl 30 Norf 2 District to bn on relief b
2 District (in SE Italy)	30 Green Howards One Pl 30 Norfolk	1 Brit	1 Brit 1 Ind	One pl 30 Nor rejoin Bn in rict on relie
	JAIPUR Gds 2 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PIEMO)	1 Ind		2 Bn 336 Inf be relieved b bn ex SARDINI
	501 Italian Gd Bn 502 Italian Gd Bn 503 Italian Gd Bn	4 Italian	4 Itelian	
3 District SICILY & CALABRIA	One coy 70 KWK	¼ Brit		One coy 70 K
	JODHPUR	1 Ind	¾ Ind	Jodhpur to be by three work and will be s
	SABAUDA Div	10 Italian	10 Italian	
Mainland	One coy 54 DLI One coy 30 Cheshire	½ Brit	¼ Brit	One coy 54 D surplus
	Five Ind Working Coys	1¼ Ind	¾ Ind	Three Ind coy Jodhpur in Si Ind coy to b ex train gds
	2 Bn 119 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)			2 Bn 119 Inf relieved by SARDINIA.
	504 Italian Gd Bn			
	520 Italian Gd Coy			520 and 114 integrated w
	114 MG Bn (one coy)	2½ Italian	3 Italian	relieved by SARDINIA.

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Appendix 'A' to 1605/30/2/G(SD)
dated [illegible] Sep 44

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PHASE II - For L of C in Italy extending beyond River PO.

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Present Order of Battle (b)	Total of bns (c)	Minimum bns required for Phase I (d)	Adjustments in progress or recommended for Phase I (e)	Remarks (f)
30 Norfolk less one pl	1 Brit	1 Brit 3 Italian	One pl 30 Norfolk ex 2 District to rejoin bn on relief by SOM	
30 Green Rewards One Pl 30 Norfolk	1 Brit	1 Brit 1 Ind	One pl 30 Norfolk to rejoin Bn in 1 District on relief by SOM	
JAIPUR Gds 2 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)	1 Ind		2 Bn 336 Inf Regt to be relieved by one bn ex SARDINIA	Required for Gruppi di Combattimento.
501 Italian Gd Bn 502 Italian Gd Bn 503 Italian Gd Bn	4 Italian	4 Italian		
One coy 70 RWK	¼ Brit		One coy 70 RWK surplus	
JODHPUR	1 Ind	¾ Ind	Jodhpur to be relieved by three working coys and will be surplus.	
SABAUDA Div	10 Italian	10 Italian		
One coy 54 DLI One coy 30 Cheshire	½ Brit	¼ Brit	One coy 54 DLI will be surplus	
Five Ind Working Coys	1¼ Ind	¾ Ind	Three Ind coys to relieve Jodhpur in SICILY. One Ind coy to be provided ex train gds.	
2 Bn 119 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)			2 Bn 119 Inf Regt to be relieved by one bn ex SARDINIA.	Required for Gruppi di Combattimenti. ?
520 Italian Gd Bn 114 Italian Gd Coy 12 MG Bn (one coy)	2½ Italian	3 Italian	520 and 114 to be integrated with or relieved by a bn ex SARDINIA.	

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	Five Ind Working Coys	¼ Ind	¾ Ind	Three Ind coys to relieve Jodhpur in SICILY. One Ind coy to be provided ex train gds.
	2 Bn 119 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)			2 Bn 119 Inf Regt to be relieved by one bn ex SARDINIA.
	504 Italian Gd Bn			
	520 Italian Gd Coy			520 and 114 to be integrated with or relieved by a bn ex SARDINIA.
	114 MG Bn (one coy)	2½ Italian	3 Italian	
Rome Allied Area Comd	30 Cheshire less one coy	¾ Brit	¾ Brit	
	One sec 131 Pnr Coy	⅓ Coy		One sec 131 Pnr Coy to rejoin Coy on train gds when relieved at BRACCIANO Trg Est after relief by pl to be forma
	Two coys Granetticri	½ Italian	½ Italian	
PBS (Italian units)	506 Italian Gd Bn 507 Italian Gd Bn 508 Italian Gd Bn 509 Italian Gd Bn	4 Italian	4 Italian	
	131 Pnr Coy less one sec			After relief at BRACCIAN by one pl LMC added to 30 Cheshire, one sec 131 Coy will rejoin parent C
Train Gds	30 SOM LI	1½ Brit	1½ Brit	One Italian bn less one ex SARDINIA to train un 30 Som LI.
	One Ind Working Coy		1 Italian	Ultimately one Ind Working coy will be released.
	550 Italian Train Gd Coy	¾ Italian	1 Italian	550 Coy be relieved late by SARAUDA Div and join bn with 30 Som LI.

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504 Italian Gd Bn			Required for Gruppi di Combattimenti. ?
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114 MG Bn (one coy)	2½ Italian	3 Italian	18-240 Listed as Labor
30 Cheshire less one coy	¾ Brit	¾ Brit	
One sec 131 Pnr Coy	⅓ Coy		One sec 131 Pnr Coy to rejoin Coy on train gds when relieved at BRACCIANO Trg Est after relief by pl to be formed.
Two coys Granettieri	½ Italian	½ Italian	
506 Italian Gd Bn 507 Italian Gd Bn 508 Italian Gd Bn 509 Italian Gd Bn 131 Pnr Coy less one sec	4 Italian	4 Italian	These four bns are additional to six covered by Service unit ceiling. After relief at BRACCIANO by one pl LMC added to 30 Cheshire, one sec 131 Coy will rejoin parent Coy.
30 SCM LI	1½ Brit	1½ Brit	One Italian bn less one coy ex SARDINIA to train under 30 Som LI.
One Ind Working Coy		1 Italian	Ultimately one Ind Working coy will be released.
550 Italian Train Gd Coy	¼ Italian	1 Italian	550 Coy be relieved later by SABAUDA Div and join bn with 30 Som LI.

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Fifth Army	1 Italian KING's Coy 1 Coy 152 Italian Pack MG Bn (PICENO Div)	½ Italian	2 Italian	Two bns ex SARDINIA t be called fwd to reli these units
Eighth Army	~~1 Bn 120 Inf Regt~~ 120 Inf Bn (MANTOVA) 1 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)			Mantova and Piceno Bn to be relieved by two bns ex SARDINIA
	505 Gd Bn			
	2 Bn 514 Inf Regt	4 Italian	4 Italian	
Foggia Enclave (AAF)	Bn 372 Inf Regt 107 Btg Territoriale	2 Italian		Bns to be either reli by Italian Air Force transferred to Air Fo ceiling.

PART II - Summary of posn at end of Phase I

	(a)	Present availability (b)	Minimum requirement (c)	+ (d)
1.	Brit Bns	5	4½	½
2.	Ind Bns	3½	2½	1
3.	Italian Bns (excl FOGGIA enclave and SABAUDA Div)	15¾	21½	

PART III - Phase II - Requirements and adjustments

North of the FO 2 District will require a minimum of one Brit grn bn, one Ind bn, and It is estimated that these will be required during the latter half of October by which in the South of ITALY will be possible. Provision should be made as follows:-

(a) One Brit grn bn [illegible] Area Comd and 3 District (which

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(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
KING's Coy Italian Pack ENO Div)	½ Italian	2 Italian	Two bns ex SARDINIA to be called fwd to relieve these units	1 Coy 152 Bn required for Gruppo. 1 Italian King's Coy to be available for other duties.
Bn ~~nf Regt (MANTOVA)~~ nf Regt (PICENO)			Mantova and Piceno Bns to be relieved by two bns ex SARDINIA	
nf Regt	4 Italian	4 Italian		
Regt rritoriale	2 Italian		Bns to be either relieved by Italian Air Force or transferred to Air Force ceiling.	

PART II - Summary of posn at end of Phase I

	Present availability (b)	Minimum requirement (c)	+ (d)	- (e)	
	5	4½	½		
	3½	2½	1		
GIA A	15¾	21½		6	(Note: 1 Italian King's Coy will be available for other duties)

PART III - Phase II - Requirements and adjustments

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by by reducing Base Allied Area Comd and 3 District (which will have taken

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PART III - Phase II - Requirements and adjustments

North of the PO 2 District will require a minimum of one Brit grn bn, one Ind bn, and three It
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in the South of ITALY will be possible. Provision should be made as follows:-

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over present 2 District area) to one Brit bn (30 CHESHIRE) increased by two pls,
two Brit coys (RWK and DLI). 30 GREEN HOWARDS will then be available for 2 D

(b) One Ind bn Jodhpur ex SICILY

(c) Three Italian Bns by reducing total of Italian bns in Rome Allied Area Comd and
3 District to four bns and two coys.

PART IV - Summary of action to be taken to implement

Phases I and II

Serial	Adjustment required (a)	Action by (b)	T
1	Ind Units		
	Three Ind Working coys to relieve Jodhpur in SICILY. Jodhpur to be available for calling fwd to 2 District in Phase II.	AFHQ	7 Oct.
2	Brit Units		
	(a) Balance 30 Norfolk to be relieved immediately in 2 District	AFHQ with SOM	
	(b) One coy RWK to be withdrawn from SICILY to Mainland	AFHQ	as soo
	(c) Two additional pls to be added to 30 Cheshire	AFHQ	as soo
	(d) Relief of 30 Green Howards to be effected by readjustment of Brit tps in L of C area	AFHQ	30 Gre for ca

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...atment required (a)	Action by (b)	To be completed by (c)
...ng coys to relieve Jodhpur in SICILY. ...available for calling fwd to 2 District	AFHQ	7 Oct.
...Norfolk to be relieved immediately in	AFHQ with SOM	
...to be withdrawn from SICILY to Mainland	AFHQ	as soon as possible
...l pls to be added to 30 Cheshire	AFHQ	as soon as possible
...30 Green Howards to be effected by ...of Brit tps in L of C area	AFHQ	30 Green Howards to be available for calling fwd by 15 Oct.

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Serial	(a)	(b)	
	(c) One sec 131 Pnr Coy to be relieved by pl of LMC to be formed.	AFHQ	
3.	Italian Units		
	(a) Two bns from SARDINIA to be provided for Fifth Army and 1 Coy 152 Italian Pack MG Coy (PICENO) and 1 King's Coy to be relieved.	AAI	By 2
	(b) Following bns to be relieved by bns from SARDINIA :-		By 1
	2 District - 2 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)	AFHQ	
	3 District - 2 Bn 119 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)	AFHQ	
	Eighth Army - 1 Bn 120 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)	AAI	
	1 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)	AAI	
	(c) Three Italian Bns to be imported from SARDINIA for 1 District.	AAI	
	(d) One bn from SARDINIA to be placed under cond 30 Som LI as train gds and ultimately relieve one Ind Working coy on train gds.	AFHQ	By 1
	(e) One bn ex SARDINIA to absorb coy 11/4 MG Bn and 520 Gd Coy in 3 District.	AFHQ	
	(f) Adjustments to reduce Italian Bns in present L of C area to four bns and two coys to release three bns for North of the River PO.	AFHQ	By 1
	NOTE:- AAI are arranging for the importation of the eleven bns required from SARDINIA.	AAI	

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(b) (c)

be relieved by pl of LMC to

AFHQ

to be provided for Fifth Army
Pack MG Coy (PICENO) and 1 King's

AAI

By first week Oct.

By 15 Oct.

lieved by bns from SARDINIA :-

6 Inf Regt (PICENO)
9 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)
20 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)
6 Inf Regt (PICENO)

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imported from SARDINIA for

AAI

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tely relieve one Inf Working coy

AFHQ

By 15 Oct.

bsorb coy 114 MG Bn and 520 Gd

AFHQ

talian Bns in transit L of C
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FO.

AFHQ

By 15 Oct

or the importation of the eleven bns
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dated 24 Sep 44

COMMITMENTS BY TYPES FOR WHICH
GD AND CRW TPS SHOULD BE PROVIDED

Serial	Type of Commitment (a)	Type of tps to be provided (b)
1	Rly brs and tunnels which are	Italian
	(a) situated on the L of C essential for immediate support of the Armies	
	(b) structures which could not be repaired within 10 days	
	(c) structures which lie outside thickly populated areas frequently patrolled by rly staff	
	(d) structures where the time taken to effect the necessary damage would not be so long as to allow discovery of the attempt and the bringing up of the necessary defence tps in adequate time.	
2	Exceptionally important rd brs, power stas, wireless stas.	Italian
3	Anti-pilferage gds except gds on mail and NAAFI/PX sups	Italian
4	Refugees	Italian
5	Anti-pilferage gds	Allied
	(a) on mail and NAAFI/PX sups	
	(b) especially vital commitments e.g. certain bulk pet storage installations, ports	
6.	Mail and NAAFI/PX sups	Allied
7.	Especially vital commitments e.g. certain bulk pet storage installations, ports	Allied
8	Train gds	Italian and Allied

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	populated areas frequently patrolled by rly staff	
	(d) structures where the time taken to effect the necessary damage would not be so long as to allow discovery of the attempt and the bringing up of the necessary defence tps in adequate time.	
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	(b) especially vital commitments e.g. certain bulk pet storage installations, ports	
6.	Mail and NAAFI/PX sups	Allied
7.	Especially vital commitments e.g. certain bulk pet storage installations, ports	Allied
8	Train gds	Italian and Allied excl Indian
9	PW Camps and Political Internees	Allied
10	PW	Allied
11	Detention Barracks and soldiers under sentence in hospital	Allied Tps of the nationality concerned.
12	Gd rooms in towns	Tps of the nationality principally concerned.

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILPOT 86

1605/30/2/G(SD1)

Minutes of a Meeting held at 1430 hrs 28 Aug at HQ AAI to review resources of gd and grn units

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The following attended:

Brig	K. C. COOPER	BGS (GSD & Trg)	Chairman
Brig	O. M. BARON	D.G	AAI
Col	W. J. GLASGOW Jr	SD(US)	AAI
Col	J. W. LOEF	PBS	
Lt-Col	J. A. GASTON	PBS	
Lt-Col	D. C. TENNENT	1 District	
Lt-Col	O. N. D. SISMEY	2 District	
Lt-Col	E. P. WALKER	3 District	
Lt-Col	H. A. C. HOWARD	MMIA	(LO 1 District)
Lt-Col	G. H. MORIARTY	MMIA	(LO Eighth Army)
Lt-Col	P. J. MILLER	G(Ops)	AAI
Lt-Col	K. W. McQUEEN	SD	AAI
Maj	A. M. FRIEDBERG	SD(US)	AAI
Maj	E. SEDGWICK	ROME Area	
Maj	P. R. C. MORGAN	SD	AAI
Maj	R. PITHOUSE	Q(Mov)	AAI
J/Comd	L.H. STEPHENS	Q	AAI
Maj	T. C. SCOTT	SD	AAI (Secretary)

Action

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Agenda as detailed in this HQ 1605/30/2/G(SD1) dated 25 Aug 44

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Lt-Col	C. N. D. SISMEY	2 District	
Lt-Col	E. P. WARNER	3 District	
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3. Requirements

Districts stated that minimum requirements are as follows. Rly gds are shown separately (sub para h).

(a) 3 District

(i) SICILY

It was agreed that -

(a) Ultimately the minimum requirement would be one Ind Bn less two Coys (Jodhpur).

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(b) 70 RWK and Jodhpur would remain for the present until reduction to minimum at (a) was possible.

(c) Q would make a forecast of the date by which it was estimated SICILY depots would be cleared. Q

(ii) CALABRIA

One Italian Bn.
(for gd on SILAN power sta)

Other tps are employed on maint of communications. Q(Mov) and RE will examine this commitment and fwd a recommendation on the number of tps required. Mov/RE

(iii) 3 District less CALABRIA & SICILY

One Brit Coy (54 DLI or 30 CHESHIRE)

Three Allied Coys (Ind Working Coys)

Three Italian Bns.

(b) 2 District

One Brit Bn (30 GREEN HOWARDS)

One Ind Bn

Four Italian Bns

This requirement will decrease when shipping to HEEL ports is reduced.

(c) 1 District

One Allied Bn (30 NORFOLK)

Three Italian Bns

(One Italian Bn is required immediately, further two later).

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This HQ will request SOMTO to arrange earliest relief SD 1

(d) ROME Area

One British Bn less one Coy (30 CHESHIRE)

Two Italian Coys

Three Secs 131 Pnr Coy can be released by ROME Area now. SD 1

The two Italian Coys at present under comd ROME Area are, in all, 100 below strength.

This HQ will arrange for units to be brought to strength SD 1 (a)

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(e) PBS

Four Italian Bns (to count against the Internal Security ceiling of the Italian Army)

These are additional to six bns for gd duties which are covered by the PBS Service Unit ceiling.

(f) Fifth Army

Two Italian Bns

(g) Eighth Army

Three Italian Bns

(h) Rly Gds

One Brit Bn (30 SOM LI)

One Pnr Coy less one Sec

One Ind Working Coy

One Italian Bn

No further allotment of Brit units can be made to DQMG(Mov) for rly gds.

As Ind train gds have proved unsatisfactory it was agreed that DQMG(Mov) in conjunction with 2 District should arrange for suitable Italian personnel to be trained as train gds by 30 SOM LI — Mov/2 District

Gds for marshalling yds and similar installations may be found from Ind units — Mov 148

4. Additional Requirements

(a) It was agreed that Districts can NOT normally find PW escorts from their allotment of gd units.

(b) Further, 3 District stated that no force was available to deal with any disturbance endangering Allied interests in that area.

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(c) This HQ will request AFHQ approval for the following personnal fron rft depots to be made available when required: — SD 1

PW Escorts - 50 all ranks
For Internal Security - 200 all ranks (100 - RATD
(100 - NAPLES Trg Depots)

5. Summary

(a) A summary of present resources and agreed requirements is at Appendix 'A' att.

(b) Necessary adjustments to existing District allotment of gd units will be made by this HQ — SD 1 (a)

H Scott
Major, G.S.

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PRESENT RESOURCES

Type of Unit	1 District	2 District	3 District less SICILY & CALABRIA	SICILY & CALABRIA	ROME Area	FBS	Italy Gds	Fld Amb
Brit Gen Bns	3/4	1¼	½	¼	1		1½	
Ind Bns		1	1½	1			½	
Allied Bns			½ (a)					
Italian Bns		4	2½	8 (b)	½			
	3/4	6¼	4½	9¼	1½		1 3/4	

AGREED ALLOTMENT

Brit Gen Bns	1	1	¼		3/4		1½	
Ind Bns		1	3/4	½			¼	
Allied Bns								
Italian Bns	3	4	3	1 (b)		4	1	2
	4	6	4	1½	3/4	4	2¾	2

(a) Greek Coy - This Coy being relieved and will join Greek Bde.

(b) and in addition S.BANDA Div in SICILY.

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dated Aug 44

PRESENT RESOURCES

District	3 District loss	SICILY & CALABRIA	ROME Area	PBS	rdy Gds	Fifth Army	Eighth Army	FOGGIA Endave	TOTAL
1¼	½	¼	1		1½				5¼
1	1½	1			¼				3¾
	¼ (a)								¼
4	2½	8 (b)	½			3	2		19¾
6¼	4½	9¼	1½		1¾	3	2		29

AGREED ALLOTMENT

1	¼		3/4		1½				4½
1	3/4	½			¼				2½
4	3	1 (b)		4	1	2	3	2	23
6	4	1½	3/4	4	2¾	2	3	2	30

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ddition S.BANDA Div in SICILY.

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Subject:- Issue of Maps of MESINA Division.

Military Mission Italian Army.
ROME.
AD 19
21 Sep 44.

A.A.I.

Copy to:- Ministry of War.
MTA AD Rome & Army.
MTA AD 3 Districts.

Reference our M/16 of 1 Sep 44, not to War Ministry.

1. At now planned the two bns of MESINA Div located for GE duties (1st Inf Rt to 8 Army, 2 Bn 149 Regt to 5 Corps) will be required to move to the N. Canals area by 15 Oct 44.

2. It is presumed that you will be issuing the necessary orders in due course to all concerned.

[signature]
Major General,
Military Mission Italian Army.

Copy to Special Section.

KWB

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Military Mission
Italian Army
R O M E
G2/18
20 Sept 44.

SUBJECT:- Italian Guard Battalions.

To: War Ministry.

1. In conformity with the policy of having all Italian Army units employed by the Allies on a recognised War Establishment, it is desired that a War Establishment be agreed for an Italian gd bn.

2. Please therefore prepare and submit to this H.Q. for approval, such a bn based on a strength of 800 all ranks per bn and so designed that the maximum numbers possible are available for more fighting with a small percentage only employed on administration and internal security.

3. It is intended that when this bn has been agreed, all Italian gd bns employed by the Allies shall be reorganised accordingly.

Major General,
M M I A.

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SEGRETO

M.M.I.A. GD
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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
Sezione Ordinamento

nº 6963 /Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 12 settembre 1944

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (M.M.I.A.) ROMA

OGGETTO: Comandi di reggimento guardia.-
Comando di Gruppi Reggimento

A conferma della richiesta verbale fatta al maggiore Baumann, si prega comunicare - in rapporto all'impiego e dislocazione che assumeranno i btg. guardia - quale assegnazione si dovrà fare dei 6 comandi di reggimento guardia in corso di approntamento in Sardegna.-

Dove si trovano attualmente?

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Panti)

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SUBJECT:- Italian Guard Battalions

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

MM A SD/18
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Tel:- FILFOT 73

16 Sep 44

Army Sub Commission, ACC

No Ref. CL. 19/9

1. In conformity with the policy of basing all Italian Army units employed by the Allies on a recognised WE or TO, it is desired that a WE/TO be agreed for a guard battalion.

2. Please instruct SMRE to prepare such a WE/TO based on a strength of 800 all ranks per bn and so designed that the maximum numbers possible are available for guard duties with a small percentage only employed on administration and internal economy.

3. It is intended that when this WE/TO has been agreed, all Italian guard bns employed by the Allies shall be reorganised accordingly.

WDCS 19/9

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
Tel: FILPOT 86
1605/30/2/G(SD1)
267 / 5 Sep 44

SUBJECT: Resources of Gd & Grn Units

MMIA
SD
FILREP
Date 18 9

MMIA

Ref your signal SD 1414 dated 11 Sep.

Herewith copy of minutes of meeting distributed under our 1605/30/2/G(SD1).

Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

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Is this on that file? 265
the letter should be
refers to SD/16

MMIA 11 1/5 B

AAI

SD1414 RESTRICTED

Request copy Minutes of a Meeting distributed under your 1605/30/2/G(SD1) of 30 Aug 44 (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren

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Subject:- Gds - CALABRIA.

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3DLO/25
14 Sep 44

HQ 3 District.

Copy: HQ 56 Area
6666 HQ MMIA, ROME.

G-5 Div
18 D
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No Trace

Ref your 70/3/C dated 13 Sep 44 (not to MMIA).

Herewith free translation of teleprinter message despatched today to COMANDO MILITARE CALABRIA:-

TO: COMILIT CALABRIA
FROM: MMIALO DISTHREE 14 Sep 44

CG 12 (°) one bn of SABAUDA DIV will shortly relieve bn of MANTOVA DIV now guarding SILA installations (°) please make all necessary adv arrangements for relief (°) date of relief will be notified later (°) THRUFF

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Major,
MMIALO,
3 District.

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Encl 2 Rpt. Ltr HQ 24 Div 263 SD 1663

ARMY FORCE (Navy) **MESSAGE FORM**

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FROM (A) Originator: MAIN AAI — Date-Time of Origin: 12 12 30 B

TO — For Action: MMLA — For Information (INFO): DISTWO

Originator's No. SD 1663 — 243

RESTRICTED (.) ref Distwo SD1/1797 of 29 Aug (.) 5 coy 120 Regt NOT rpt NOT required by 2 District (.) suggest amalgamation with 114 MG Bn and 520 Gd Coy to form nucleus third gd bn required by 3 District

1605/30/12

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT [illegible]

Author [illegible] Maj

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Encl para 6 of G161/F of 15 Aug 44.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING OF DELIVERY

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SUBJECT:- Loaned Bns of PICENO and MANTOVA Divisions

Army Sub Commissions(MMIA)
HQ. A.C.C.
R O M E.
SD/18
Sep 44

War Ministry

Copy to:- MMIA LO Rear EIGHTH ARMY
MMIA LO 2 District
MMIA LO 3 District

1. Our SD/12 of 1 Sep 44, subject as above, is cancelled.

2. All four loaned Bns of MANTOVA and PICENO Divs will remain employed on their guard duties until called forward for concentration in S.GIORGIO area.

For C.C.

Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
M M I A

ABC

Internal Copy to:- Col FIDSLEY - Spec Sec

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Subject: Guards.

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Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M
SD/18 Reg.
11 Sept 44.

To War Ministry
rptd MMIA LO 3 District

Ref your 641C/Ors of 8 Sept 44 copy herewith for MMIA LO 3 District.

The Italian guards will NOT be maintained. Please arrange for it to be withdrawn immediately.

for
Maj General,
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

BGB/jw

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SECRET

SUBJECT:- Guard Unit for Allied Depot

S M R E

Ref No : 6410/ORD

Date : 8 Sep 44

M M I A

The Military Command of CAMPANIA has reported that the Garrison Troops of CAVA dei TIRRENI used to furnish a guard for a British Depot containing miscellaneous stores (C.L.E.M.).

Since the Garrison Troops have been disbanded the Militagy Command of CAMPANIA has formed a small unit to take over the above guard duties composed of 1 officer 2 NCO's and 28 Ptes and known as "Guard Unit for Allied Army".

Please let us know if this unit may be kept (if so under what category it is to be shown) or should it be taken on strength of one of our recently formed guard Bns.

signed SANTI

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SEGRETO

5 D/12

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

n. 6415 /Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 8 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: reparto guardie per A.A.-

Guard Unit for Allied Depot

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

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1. - Il comando militare della Campania ha segnalato che il reparto presidiario di Cava dei Tirreni forniva un servizio di guardia al deposito inglese di materiali vari (C.L.E.M.).

Poichè detto reparto presidiario è stato sciolto, il comando militare della Campania ha riunito il personale adibito al servizio di guardia (1 ufficiale, 2 sottufficiali e 28 truppa) in apposito "reparto guardie per A.A."-

2. - Pregasi far conoscere se il reparto guardie di cui sopra può essere mantenuto (ed in caso affermativo a quale categoria va ascritto) o se il servizio da esso disimpegnato debba essere invece affidato ad uno dei battaglioni guardie di recente costituzione.-

1. Garrison Gp at CAVA DEI TIRRENI used to furnish a guard for an Englid Dept (containing various stores).

2. Belong to the Garrison troops of CAVA DEI TIRRENI being disbanded a guard unit of 1 off 2 NCO's 28 men has been set up to continue the guard duties

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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3. May this unit be kept and if so under what category is it to be shown, or should it be attached to one of the recently formed guard Bns?

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UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SEGRETO

N° 6423 /Ord. di prot. P.M.151, lì 6 settembre 1944

OGGETTO : Sostituzione e restituzione battaglioni delle div. "Piceno" e "Mantova".

Distribution & return of Btns of Piceno & Mantova Divs.

M.M.I.A. 30
FILE REF. 18
Date Recd 8/9/1

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (M.M.I.A.) ROMA

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Seguito fonogramma a mano n° 6318/Ord. del 28 agosto c.a.

Si comunicano le stazioni di scarico dei btg. in oggetto:

REPARTO	STAZIONE DI SCARICO
I/336° ftr. " Piceno "	Cisternino
120° btg.ftr. " Mantova "	
. c.do, cp.com. e 1^cp.fucilieri	Cosenza
. rimanenti compagnie	Crotone per Petilia Policastro
II/336° ftr. " Piceno "	Fasano
II/119° ftr. " Mantova "	Reggio Calabria 130

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

This is unlikely.
We will probably direct to
9° Mantova + Piceno
Cac - Cac
Div
for training - RCB 9.
Wire informed.

Fobs 25 for also refer

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Date Rec'd 8/9/44

SECRET

SUBJECT:- Italian Gds

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:- FILPOT 73

1605/50/12/G(SD1)

7 Sep 44

3 District

Copy to:- AFHQ (with copy of 1605/30/2/G(SD1) of 30 Aug)
MMIA
G(Ops)
Q
Q(Mov)
RE

Reference the Minutes of a Meeting distributed under this HQ file 1605/30/2/G(SD1) dated 30 Aug 44.

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I/76 Reff COTRONEI (Mantova Div)

4100 (5f)

Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

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SECRET FOUO

From: DIA

Date TOR 071745Z

To : H of W
rptd PBS for Col LOEF
PBS for DIA LO
AAI

TEL 07

SD 1398 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Ref our SD 1366 of 31 Aug (.) Amend FIRST para (.) Delete 2 Bn 140 Regt substitute 1 Bn 139 Regt

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SEGRETO

M.D.A. SA
FILE REF 18
Date Rec'd 5/91

n. 6524/Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 4 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: Costituzione compagnie movimento stradale per A.A.-
Constitution of Road Movement Coy for AA

235A

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (M.M.I.A.) ROMA
(rif.foglio n° SD/18 del 9 agosto c.a.)

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1. - Si segnala che, sotto la data del 13 agosto c.a., è stata costituita una compagnia movimento stradale (la 657^) presso il centro addestramento del C.M.P. di Ottaviano.

2. - Per la costituzione delle rimanenti due compagnie (658^ e 659^), le operazioni sono in corso. Date le necessità di addestramento, dette compagnie potranno essere approntate per il 21 settembre c.a., salvo imprevisti.-

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S.M.R.E. UFF. ORD.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM.** Register No. 2214

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FROM (A) Originator: HQ. A.A.I. | Date-Time of Origin.: SEPT. 41040 B | Office Date Stamp

For Action.

TO MMIA Rpt PBS; SMRE; PBS MMIA LO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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Originator's No SD 916

CONFIDENTIAL X

THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN BNS EX BARI DIV NOW IN NAPLES ARE ATTACHED TO PBS FOR GUARD DUTIES:

506 FIRST BN 340 INF REGT STRENGTH 23 OFFRS, 681 EM BARI Div
507 SECOND BN 340 INF REGT STRENGTH 15 OFFRS, 593 EM " "
508 FIRST BN 140 INF REGT STRENGTH 20 OFFRS, 629 EM " "
509 FIRST BN 139 INF REGT STRENGTH 22 OFFRS, 719 EM " "
TOTAL 80 OFFRS, 2622 EM

THESE BNS REMAIN ASSIGNED TO SMRE AS UNITS OF THE INTERNAL SECURITY DIVISIONS AND ARE AN INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENT

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Temporarily PBS, assigned SMRE.

Major Smith brought signalling exact particulars of all units

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THY 31 B

From MMLA

To MINISTER for WAR

rptd PRS for Col LOEF
PRS for MMIALO
AAI

SD 1366 (*) SECRET (*) FIRST (*) Following four Guard battalions ex BARI Div have arrived NAPLES (*) 2 Bn 340 Regiment 1 Bn 140 Regt 1 Bn 340 Regt 1 Bn 139 Regt ~~2 Bn 340 Regt~~ (*) SECOND (*) These are assinged to Category 5 BAKER (*) Will be assigned to operational control PRS (*) THIRD (*) Instruct COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA to proceed with firm reorganization of these battalions under direction Comando Italiano 212 (*) Necessary Allied outer and other clothing will be released by MMIA LO NAPLES with report of action taken (*) Battalions will be made operationally effective without delay (*) Designations will be assigned as directed in para 6 baker of MMIA letter G/6/1/P of 15 Aug

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RFHH (Capt.)

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SECRET. 252

Subject :- Loaned Bns. of PIONEER and HAVOCK Divs.

Army Sub Commission, USA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

APO.

Sept. 44.

To :- War Ministry.
USIA Rear 8 Army.
" " 2 District.
" " 3 District.

Ref. your signed 6318/ ri of 28th. Aug. 44,
rec'd to all.

1. A.A.I. instruct us that the first replacement bn. (from Serial 235 on List 7) will be sent to under cond. 2 District for training as train guards.

2. The first loaned bn. to be relieved will therefore be 2 Bn. 336 Inf. Regt.

3. Remaining three loaned Bns. will remain employed on guard duties until called forward for concentration at S. GEORGIO.

gb.DCB.

Major General.
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

Lt.Col. FIDELIX.

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SECRET.

Subject :- Loaned Bns. of PICENO and MANTOVA DIVISIONS.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

ROME.

SD/18.
Sept. 44.

To :- A.A.I.

(245)

Ref. para 4 of your 1605/50/12/G(SD1) of 29th. Aug. 44.

As at present planned, the four loaned Bns. of the PICENO and MANTOVA Divs. will be required to reorganise themselves between 15 - 30 Oct. 44, and move to S. GIORGIO area on 31st. Oct. 44.

APS for

Major General.
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

gb.BGB.

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Translation.

Rec'd 9202 pp

Date Sept 1, 44

From: S.M.R.E.

To: COMILIT PUGLIE, ETLUCANIA

4 to MMMA for info

M.I.S.-A. 50 5B/18
FILE COPY
Date Rec'd 1 9

Warning order that transfer to TARANTO of first Coy RE is suspended. Said Coy each Stranger by 5 offices and 200 men will proceed and be deployed also for employment in 5th Army zone. Also a Coy of Pescara Div., strength 5 officers 150 men must be held ready to leave immediately for same destination deployed by allies.

Appl (2).

(SMRE)

CAK 2/9

(Previous cable re same with G III)

ABC 2/9

Folio 1174 refers.

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TELESCRITTO in partenza

P.M.151 1.9.44

P.A.F.A.

COMLIT PUGLIA ET LUCANIA

M.M.I.A. (Sottocommissione Esercito) (a mano)

STAMAGGIORE N. 9202 /OP. DI PROT.ALT PRESENTE EST DIRETTO AT COMI= LIT PUGLIA ET LUCANIA ET CONOSCENZA AT M.M.I.A. //SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ESERCITO// ALTNSI PREAVVISA CHE TRASFERIMENTO TARANTO 1^ COMPAGNIA /RE/REST SOSPESO PUNTO DETTA COMPAGNIA CON FORZA DI CINQUE UFFICIA= LI ET DUECENTO TRUPPA PASSERA' AT DISPOSIZIONE ALLEATI PER IMPIEGO ZONA QUINTA ARMATA PUNTO ANCHE ALTRA COMPAGNIA DIVISIONE /PICENO/ FORZA CINQUE UFFICIALI ET CENTOCINQUANTA TRUPPA DOVRA' ESSERE TENUTA PRONTA A PARTIRE SUBITO PER STESSA ZONA AT DISPOSIZIONE ALLEATI ALT

STAMAGGIORE OPERAZIONI

.....0944

P.C.C.
IL TEN.COLONNELLO in s.S.M. a/i
Capo Ufficio Operazioni -
(Piero Sampò)

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MMO OUR2 (191) 248 2784

MESSAGE FOR:

FROM : MAIN AAI

TO : MAIN EIGHTH ARMY

INFO : MAIA

DATE/TIME 01 1115 B

Orig No : SD 1404 /248

RESTRICTED (.) ref CIL SD 23/1 of 31 Aug MAIA cannot produce two gd coys from any source other than CIL (.) two coys will therefore be made available for Fifth Army in accordance with previous orders

(1)	(2)	PRIORITY
Gen Almond Julep		IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT:- Guard Companies

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
SD/18
Sep 44

Minister for War

1. Two Companies from CIL have been ordered to 5 Army for Guard duty. These two Companies will be replaced by t wo companies of the PICENO Division, to be sent forward as soon as possible.

2. The King's Company of the PICENO Division, strength 5 officers and 200 men, will be one of the Companies.

3. You will nominate one other Company with a strength of 5 officers and at least 150 men.

4. It is desired that :-

a. the King's Company, with present strength, now at LeCCE, be alerted for immediate movement whenever transportation is provided.

b. you advise the designation and location of the other Company, and the Company be alerted and ready to move whenever transportation is provided.

c. you provide at once the necessary tonnage figures for transportation of unit equipment and stores.

5. These Companies will wear Italian uniform. Each Company must have sufficient equipment to be operationally independent. They will be carried, while on this duty, under Category (5f).

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ABC

Major General
Army Sub Comm ission ACC

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Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
M M I A

Original taken to War Ministry 1 Sep by Maj. Lawrence.
KCB
1/9

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TO HQ M M I A

INFO MAIN EIGHT ARMY

MAIN A A I

QQY GR 72 ST

SD23/1 (.) CONFIDENTIAL FOR

B U T T E R W O R T H FROM G E L A R D I (.)

GEN B R O W N I N G MOST ANXIOUS TWO

QUARD COYS FOR FIVEARMY BE FOUND

FROM EITHER P I C E N O

OR M A N T O V A DIVS

AND N O T RPT N O T FROM C I L (.)

HAVE JUST PHONED M C Q U E E N

WHO AGREES

PROVIDED NO DELAY IN

[redacted] PRODUCING THESE COYS (.)

PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THESE COYS TO BE FOUND IN ACCORDANCE

WITH GEN B R O W N I N G S

WISHES (.) FIVEARMY WILL COLLECT (.)

M C Q U E E N IS PHONING YOU AND

ON YOUR ASSURANCE WILL ISSUE

NECESSARY ORDERS

BT

D.

IMMEDIATE

ARMY

LRAR 31 AUG 44

FILE REF

Date Rcd 1.9.1

SD/18

39/310

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Tel

24h

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Action taken by Sig Div evening

A.A. 113 Bally informed G.C.A.

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SD23/1 (.) CONFIDENTIAL FOR

BUTTERWORTH FROM GELARDI (.)

GEN BROWNING MOST ANXIOUS TWO

GUARD COYS FOR FIVEARMY BE FOUND

FROM EITHER PICENO

OR MANTOVA DIVS

AND NOT RPT NOT FROM CIL (.)

HAVE JUST PHONED MCQUEEN

WHO AGREES

PROVIDED NO DELAY IN

[redacted] PRODUCING THESE COYS (.)

PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THESE COYS TO BE FOUND IN ACCORDANCE

WITH GEN BROWNINGS

WISHES (.) FIVEARMY WILL COLLECT (.)

MCQUEEN IS PHONING YOU AND

ON YOUR ASSURANCE WILL ISSUE

NECESSARY ORDERS

BT

RPTN 9441 GP 1 3 31300 72

SD23/1 BUTTERWORTH

GELARDI BROWNING PICENO MANTOVA

SENT GP BBB

Action taken by & 1 Aug.
signal evening A.H. 113
attached
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SECRET

SUBJECT:- Picono and Mantova Gd Bns

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILOT 73

1605/50/12/G(SD1)

D 29 Aug 44

SD/18

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MMIA

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Reference your letter SD/18 dated 24 Aug 44.

1. It is intended to place the first bn to arrive, after PBS have received four, under comd 2 District for trg as train gds.

2. Apart from this preference it is not desired to impose any conditions on the relief of the remaining three bns and they can be released as required by you.

3. It is suggested that they be allowed to remain employed as gds until such time as they are called fwd for concentration at S. GIORGIO.

4. In order that arrangements may be made for their prompt release when required please indicate the dates by which you anticipate they will be needed.

1/9.

Folios 240 + 242 refer.

Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

As planned ~~thereto~~ they will be required to reorganize themselves between 15 - 30 Oct and move to S Giorgio area 31 Oct. 1 Sep.

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Army Sub-Commission ✓

For information (SD)

M.M.A.
FILE REF
Date Rec'd 29/8/44

P. Russell.

P.A. to Ex: Com.

28/8/44.

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MEMO from Acting Head Administrative Section.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

GRU/gal
EXT 469

1 The newly created school for training Railway guards has scarcely started to function but as a palliative to the present serious situation the following steps have been taken.

2 The Chief of Police has instructed the appropriate Prefects that they must make members of the agente Pubblica Sicurezza available at all stations and particularly at Bari, Barbetta, Naples and Foggia from which complaints have been received. It will be the duty of the agents to patrol the stations and prevent unauthorised persons from getting on North bound trains.

3 This does not of course meet the problem at small local stations.

ADMIN SEC
26 Aug 44.

G.R. UPJOHN Col,
A/Hd. Admin Sec.

Tell Mr Price

SD/18

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LRAR V NEAV NR 427/6

QVR #3

FROM DISTWO 291240 B

TO (1) GSD AAI

INFO (2) 50 SUB AREA (3) NMIA

SD1/1797

CONFIDENTIAL (.) REQUEST 5 COY 120 IT REGT LOCATED ~~CAMPO~~ CAMPOBASSO BE PLACED ON DISTWO ORBAT FOR GD DUTIES

TIME 1900 B

~~RPTN NR 427/6 1/3 60 1/1797 5 120~~

~~ORBAT 1300~~

SENT GJ

MMIA Echo Orbat

SD/18

Date for D 29/8

(6 obs + 155)

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Feb
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SUBJECT:- Italian Guard Bns

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
SD/18
29 Aug 44

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A A I

Copy to:- SMRE (ref 6318/Ord of 28 Aug)

Further to our SD/18 of 24 Aug 44.

1. Italian General Staff request that the four loaned Bns be released and replaced in the following order :-

1 - 1 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)

2 - 120 Inf Bn (MANTOVA)

3 - 2 Bn 336 Inf Regt (PICENO)

4 - 2 Bn 119 Inf Regt (MANTOVA)

2. In our SD/18 of 24 Aug the MANTOVA Bn on loan to 8 Army should have read "120 Inf Bn" and NOT "1 Bn 120 Inf Regt."

ABC

Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
M M I A

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SX/18

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TONOGRAMMA A MANO

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO M.M.I.A.
R O M A

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N° 6318/Ord. = Risposta al foglio SD/I8 del 24 agosto.

I) - Si richiede che i sottonotati battaglioni siano sostituiti e ritirati nell'ordine seguente:

-1°) I btg.del 336° rgt.ftr. "Piceno"
2°) 120° btg.ftr. "Mantova"
3°) II btg. del 336° rgt.ftr. "Piceno"
4°) II btg. del 119° rgt.ftr. "Mantova".

II) - Riserva di comunicare le stazioni di resa punto

Stato Maggiore Ordinamento = 280844 =

C. M. R. E. NFF. Gen. Mob.

F. C. C.
IL TEN.COL. S.S.M. CAPO SEZ.
(G. Guida)

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SUBJECT: Italian Gd Bn

SECRET

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
M.G. A.C.C.
MMIA
SD/hs
24 June 44

AAI

Copies to: SCMS
MMIA LO Rear 8 Army
" " 2 District
" " 3 "
Col Fiddler

1. The four Italian Bns of the PISTOIA and MANTOVA Divs on loan to Allied Units are at present located as follows :-

Bn	Div	Location	On loan to
1 Bn 336 Inf Regt	PISTOIA	FRAZIONE DI PRASIMETO	8 Army
2 Bn 336 Inf Regt	"	BARLETTA/ANDRIESI	2 Dist
2 Bn 119 Inf Regt	MANTOVA	BATTAS	3 Dist
[redacted] 120 Inf [redacted] Bn	"	VAIRANO	8 Army

2. The first four Gd Bns from SARDINIA (Serial 235 on List 7) are destined for PBS and will be given numbers 506 - 509.

3. The second four Gd Bns from SARDINIA (Serial 239 on List 7) are destined to replace the four loaned Bns referred to in para 1 above, and will be given the numbers 510 - 513.

4. May we please be informed in what order you wish the loaned Bns to be relieved.

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LtCol Howarth
for Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

CGL.

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ARMY FORM C.2130. (Pads of 100.)

MESSAGE FORM

23/21

Serial No. 5948

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	No. of Groups	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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M.M.I.A. FILE REF. Date Read 11

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TO MAIN HQ MMIA ROME

N 48/21

FROM ACC REGION ONE 237 FOR ALBERT MMIA L.O SICILY

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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number	606 of	17 August	606/1	Conecrion to our
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in	accordance with		AAI	by rail 14 1100B
of.	12 August			cable MOV 2997
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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

Signed 11MB

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

Signed MacBradshaw

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY: IMMEDIATE

TIME OF ORIGIN 1041

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM MMIA

TO ALBEIT MMIALO HQ SICILY REGION ACC

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SD1319 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Ref your 606 of 18 Aug (*)

Location 505 Guard Ba le CIVITA CASTELLANA Map Ref A.7010 (*)

Postal address Raggruppamento FF.AA Italiane 3A Armata PM 16

May be sent as writ ten except ( ) wireless

To be sent in Cipher if liable to interception

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

M.M.I.A. 1
FILE REF 1 9
Date Recd 19 8 44

MSG Center No : A 74/19
Classification : CONFIDENTIAL
Precedence : PRIORITY
From : ANBERT MMIA L.O. SICILY
To : MAIN HQ MMIA ROME

Date / Time Recd : 15 AUG
Date / Time Sent :
Reference NR : 606
Cite :

Request location and postal address 505 ITALIAN GUARDS BN in order to forward personnel remaining in SICILY that were on leave and sick in hospital

BGK 19

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19 Aug. 0001

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Sussistenze

M.M.I.A. | Sa
FILE REF | 116
Date Recd | 17/8/44

N. 8732/ di prot. P. M. 107. II 16 agosto 1944

Risposta al foglio N. ..... *del* ..... *Carte annesse* .....

OGGETTO: Carabinieri per Deposito Centrale Viveri di Taranto.-

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.
R O M A

Si informa che in data 2 agosto 1944 il Comando Legione CC.RR. di Bari ha comunicato di aver disposto che un sottufficiale e 5 Carabinieri prestino servizio permanente notturno al Deposito Speciale Viveri Montecatini di Taranto.-

p. IL MINISTRO

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M.M.I.A. | SO
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Date Recd | 13/8/44
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ACTION: HQ ACC INFO: 27 FD BUTCHERY

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND

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HEADQUARTERS 13 AUG 1944 A. C. C.

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SD3/3. URGENTLY REQUEST CARABINIERI GUARD ON MERCATORE CENTRALE BE ALLOWED REMAIN. ESSENTIAL DUTIES. 27 FD BUTCHERY AND ADGT WILLING ARRANGE TAKE OVER. REQUEST REPLY BY RETURN.

ACC DIST

ACTION - Public Safety SO (2)
INFO - A/CC
ADMIN SEC
ARMY SO
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SUBJECT:- 503 Guard Bn

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
SD/18
6 Aug 44

Army Sub Commission LO No 2 District

1. An extract from Capt BOURNE's liaison log is reprinted for your attention :-

"Arrival at VASTO of 503 Gd Bn in extremely poor clothing condition. 18 without any boots and nearly a hundred in sandals and wooden clogs. Can such units be fitted out at BARI before arriving up here".

2. This Bn arrived at BARI about 16 July and departed for VASTO 23 July.

3. Please find out why the Bn was not clothed before leaving BARI and point out that a guard bn is useless without boots.

ABC

Lt Col
for Major General
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
M M I A

Copy to :- A/Q (Int)

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M.M. & A.	4
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SD/18

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

RAAC/9/47/G3(Br). 6 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Guards - Rome Area.

TO: OC 30 Cheshire.
OC 131 Pnr Coy.

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1. The policy of Garrison Troops and the most advantageous ways of their utilisation has again been the subject of recent review.

2. a. As a result of decisions reached, the following installations will be changed over from British Troops (131 Pnr Coy) to Italian Troops:

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1	98 GT Coy	2	12	2	12	) Tues-
2	92 DID	4	16	2	16	) day
3	557 Main Gun Park	2	6	1	6	) 8 Aug
4	12 Fd Bakery	1	4	1	4	)
5	4C MFFC Pet Point	1	3	1	3	)
6	" " Pet Dump	2	6	2	6	) Wednes-
7	Tiburtina Rly Stn	2	6	1	6	) day
8	Littorio RH	1	6	2	12	) 9 Aug
		15	59	12	65	

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PART II

b. The following units will be relieved by 3C Cheshire and 131 Pnr Coy will be withdrawn:

ESD Monterotondo		3 NCOs	12 ORs
B3C Wireless Stn		2 NCOs	6 ORs
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b. This supplement will be allotted to Sal Dump adjacent to INNOCENTI FACTORY, Via Prenestina (1 Adv Base Wksps REME).

c. The additional strength mentioned above will be added to under command Officer, 30 Cheshire, i/c 14 Veh Park Detail, for all purposes. Liaison will be effected with Major Kendal, Sal Officer, tele 66441.

4. Referring to Part I, the following action and procedure will be adopted:

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a. Units receiving Italian Troops allotted for Guards Duties will be responsible for their accommodation, feeding and normal adm facilities.

b. Italian Guards will be fed on the Basic Ration Scale for Italian Armed Forces. Additional items will be furnished by the Italian Military. Indents for the basic rations will be submitted on DID in the usual way.

c. Tpt for conveyance of Italian Guards and relief of 131 Pnr Coy personnel will be allotted as already arranged. G-4 is requested to make available 2 x 3-ton lorries to report to 30 Cheshire, Exhibition Bldgs, (7462) at 0845 hrs on Tuesday 8 Aug and Wednesday 9 Aug for this detail.

d. Each relief will be accompanied initially by an English speaking Italian officer. Units will carefully brief this officer in order that Italian Guards are fully aware of their duties.

e. Units will forthwith despatch one copy of their Guards Orders to this Headquarters (G-3) in order that translations into Italian may be made and returned to units as quickly as possible. Until this matter has been completed, Italian Guards will be briefed by their officer VERBALLY at the time of mounting, i.e., 8 and 9 Aug.

5. The Italian Guard Coy will be under local command of OC 30 Cheshire. Similar procedure and control will be exercised as for 131 Pnr Coy whilst the Italian Coy is allotted for Guard Duties.

6. a. OC 30 Cheshire will institute patrols of Cheshire Regt personnel to cover the installations enumerated in Part I, effective by night as well as by day. Night patrol will be from dusk to dawn; this is most important.

b. Patrols will be mobile; bicycles by day and tpt by night.

c. OC 30 Cheshire will request APM to issue passes for Night Patrols immediately.

d. All possible assistance will be given to the Italian Coy by 30 Cheshire Regt, in order to ensure smooth and efficient procedure and co-operation.

E. SEDGWICK,
Major,
G-3 (British).

Copies to:-

98 GT Coy
92 DID
Engr (Br)
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G-3 (British).

Copies to:-

98 GT Coy
92 DID
657 Main Gun Park
12 Fd Bakery
40 MTFC
Traffic Offr, MOV ROME.
PR Office, AFHQ Adv Press HQ.
Coy of Granatieri (Italian)
- through 30 Cheshire.
MMIA
ESD, Monterotondo
BBC Wireless Stn
14 Veh Pk, 38 Veh Coy

Engr (Br)
ADST
ADOS
ADL
G-4 (Br)
War Diary (2).
Maj Kendal, Sal Offr.

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OBJECT - Internal Security

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Date Rec'd 2 8 44

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
1605/50/12/G(SD1)

1 AUG 44

Note

3 District

1. The MANTOVA div will shortly be withdrawn from CALABRIA for reorganisation, leaving certain internal security and other commitments to be filled.

2. Please examine the numbers of Italian troops required in CALABRIA for internal security, gds on vital points and supervision of maintenance of communications and fwd your recommendations.

3. The numbers of Italian troops available for these purposes are limited and only the bare minimum required can be provided.

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Forwarded Rec'd
by Desp G I 2/8

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

Copy to :- MMIA
G(Ops)
Q(Mov)

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IMPORTANT

ARMY LRAR 29 NOV 44

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SUBJECT: Assignment of Arrivals from SARDINIA

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ MEDIA

ROME.

28 SD/14/2 July 44.

S.M.R.E.

Ref our SD/14/2 of 24 July.

1. It has now been decided that 35 Arty Regt will not be used in forming Labour Regts and will not count against Shipping Serial 202.

2. The unit will be temporarily under command No. 3 District for guards or other duties and will be retained in its present organisation.

tvs.GCF.

Lt. Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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SUBJECT:- 505 Guard Bn - SICILY

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q.A.C.C.
R O M E
SD/18
7 Jul 44

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A A I

1. Att copy of letter No 518 of 21 July from MMIA LO SICILY is fwd for infmn and any action considered necessary.

2. Could the position of 505 Guard Bn please be clarified.

ABC

Major General
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
MMIA

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"File SP/18 Augusta Guards"

TOO 27 B
THI 27 B 228

FROM MIDA

TO CINCSIX REGION HQ for MEDALO ALBERT
rptd AAI

CIl244 (*) PERTINUTE (*) Your 518 of 21 July requesting authy for 505 Gd Bn to continue guarding ASO warehouses PALERMO during AUGUST NOT rpt NOT understood (*) AAI's CIl215 of 23 June addressed to you for action stated quote personnel for guards listed in SICILY Region letter RC/014.1 of 16 JUNE will be found from CANADA DIV (*) On completion of duties with TFC 505 Gd Bn will pass to under cond DISTURB for 56 Arty unquote (*) Request therefore you clarify your request especially in view possibility of AAI instructing us to use Coy of 505 Gd Bn to form

a new Italian guard Coy

may be sent as written except ( ) wireless

To be sent in cipher if liable to interception

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

50/18 D

21 July 1944

FILE : RES 430.27

SUBJECT : Request for Guards

TO : Liaison Officer, M.M.I.A., Sicily
(Lt. Col. L.R. Albert)

M.M.I.A. G.
FILE REF.
Date Recd 26 7 44

1/ Present indications show the need for the continuation of the guards for A.C.C. warehouses in and about Palermo.

2. It is urgently requested that the 505th Security Services Battalion, now performing this guarding, continue these duties for the month of August unless sooner relieved.

For the Regional Commissioner:

H.DRING,
Major
Director: Economics
and Supply Division

No.518 1st Ind.
ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC (MMIA) L.O. SICILY 21 July 1944
% ACC SICILY REGION HQ APO 394

TO: GOC Army Sub Commission ACC (MMIA)

Copy to: C.G. Military Hq of Sicily (Info)
Cmdr. 56 Area (Thru MMIA LO Maj Thrupp) (Info)

1. Ref our No.254 dated 16 June '44. (Not apply to Military Hq. of Sicily and 56 Area)

2. In view of the fact that Military Hq of Sicily is being called upon for considerable guard duties both at Palermo and Eastern part of Sicily and also to assist the police of Sicily to collect the grain and be prepared to quell any disturbance that might arise from the collection of the grain:

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For the Regional Commissioner:

H.DRING,
Major
Director: Economics
and Supply Division

No.518
ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC (MMIA) 1st Ind.
% ACC SICILY REGION HQ APO 394 L.O. SICILY 21 July 1944

TO: GOC Army Sub Commission ACC (MMIA)

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Recommend that authority be obtained to place the 505th Security Services Bn(ITI) under command of the Military Hq of Sicily and the Military Hq of Sicily provide the necessary guards for ACC Region 1 installations, as long as required.

Lester R Albert
LESTER R ALBERT
Lt Col Inf
L O Sicily

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ARMY SIGNALS LRAIR 24 VIII 44

12/25

MESSAGE FORM

DATE/TIME 24 1900 B

FROM : MAIN ASI

TO : DISTREP INFO: MMLA PDS FOR OFFENHAUER MMLA 10

ORIG NO : SD 1595

CONFIDENTIAL (.) REF YOUR SD 24?3 OF 24 TO AAI ONLY (.) YOUR PARA FIRST (.) INSTRUCTIONS FOR FMN 42.2 AND 407 REGTS BEING DESPATCHED (.) YOUR PARA SECOND (. NOW DECIDED 35 ARTY REGT WILL NOT RPT NOT BE USED IN FORMING LABOUR REGT AND WILL NOT RPT NOT NOW COUNT AGAINST SERIAL 202 LIST 7 (.) UNIT WILL BE TEMPORARILY UNDER COMD DISTREP FOR GUARDS OR OTHER DUTIES BUT WILL BE RETAINED ON PRESENT ORG

(1) (2)

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

COPY TO:- Qs LABOUR:

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1605/50/32
1605/50/50

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INCOMING MESSAGE

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ARMY SC.

SD. 180 225

TO: FOR ACTION: CG NATOUSA FOR INFO: PENBASE, ARMY SUB-COMMISSION ACC, DGMRS

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 13/22

FROM: CG SOS NATOUSA SGD LARKIN

CLASSIFICATION: TOPSECRET BIGOT ANVIL

REFERENCE No: LA32421

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JUL211015

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE: SSGCT 238 SSGAP

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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INCOMING MESSAGE

TO: FOR ACTION: CG NATOUSA FOR INFO: PENBASE, ARMY SUB-COMMISSION ACC, DGMRS
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 13/22
FROM: CG SOS NATOUSA SGD LARKIN
CLASSIFICATION: TOPSECRET BIGOT ANVIL
REFERENCE No: LX32421
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
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SUBJECT:- 1 Guide Gp

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ A.C.C.
R O M E

S M R E

SP/18
20 Jul 44

Copy to:- FBS
FBS for ACC for
Lt Col OFFENHAUER- MMIA LO

further to our SP/18 of 10 July, subject as above.

1. AAI instruct us that 1 Guide Gp will not be listed against any serial on Priority List 3, but will be counted as part of the ceiling of the Internal Security formations.

2. The Gp will therefore remain assigned to SMRE, and will be attached for guard duties with FBS, into whose area it moved on 17 July 44.

ABC

Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
(MMIA)

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TO H.A.F.A.C.

FROM MMIA

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Originator's Number SD 1186 | Date | In Reply to Number

Restricted ⊙ Ref your MMIA ww 6.2 conv dtd July 4 4 of ⊙ re our SD 496 Ltr ⊙ Priority ⊙ Classified ⊙ A A I ⊙ of 216 ⊙ ltrs ⊙ ltrs ⊙ ltrs

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO

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FROM

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

Please request you provide for AA reinforcements for Territorial Army 6 Bde 500 Coy Khaki

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* (Except) Wireless

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 216/13

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TO MAIN RPT PBS ACC MAIN FOR OFFEN HAUER

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Numbers
MAIN HQ AAI	212 SD871		

CONFIDENTIAL ⊙ Ref our SD827 of 9 July and Penbase 21512 of 10 July ⊙ Agree that guids bn should not be counted against serial priority list 3 ⊙ This unit will be counted as part of the security div ceiling and remains assigned SHAPE ⊙ Attached for guard duty to PBS in accordance with Para eleven (A) of 1605/50/3/G(SD1) dated 19 June ⊙

16/7/15

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TO MTWA

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Numbers
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A242 Restricted Ref your rad 1173
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Army S.C (Rescr)
S-5460
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED AIR FORCE AREA COMMAND
APO 650

SD 1.8 9 121/7

A-RB-cce

7 July 1944

336.2

SUBJECT: Italian Troops in the Allied Air Force Area.

TO : Allied Control Commission, APO 650.

Tolin, 53 180

1. On 24 January, 1944, a letter was sent from this Headquarters to the Military Mission, Italian Army, listing the responsibilities of the AAFAC within the area known as the Foggia Enclave. Reference was also made to the 107 Territorial Battalion under command of Lt. Col. Bozza which then was, and still is, very much undermanned.

2. It is understood now that a request was forwarded by the Italian Army General Staff to the Allied Control Commission on 1 May 1944, for 500 men to be assigned to the above mentioned 107 Territorial Battalion.

3. The need for this increased strength is becoming more and more apparent and it is requested that the assignment of these 500 additional men be given very careful consideration.

ROLAND BIRNN,
Colonel, AC,
Commanding.

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TO DISTHREE

FROM MMIA

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Your W 60 query A 229 is of action 10 July O address to

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IN COLLECTION

Subject:-Reinforcements for 505 Bn.Servizi Sicurezza.

SD/18
216 5

L.O.,Army Sub-Commission,(ACC).,
XXXI Italian Corps,
Pontegrande-CATANZARO.

8 July 44.

Ref:-G.6/367.

To:-Army Sub Commission,ACC.,
Main H.Q., (M.M.I.A.).,
L E Q U I L E. (LECCE).

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Noted -203 -206

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G-3 NO Gen.

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Capt.,
L.O.,XXXI Corps.

Do you know who told FHQ that 35 Drivers left?

KIA 12/7

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TO MMIA

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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Retirake D Force at AFRAGOLA INCL Welfare Centre out of bounds all allied Tps forthwith on account of unsafe from mines necessary steps to be taken to effect above ordered period.

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Gave 24 hr out of area stopped

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SUBJECT: 1 Guide Group

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MILA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
SD/18
10 July 44

SMRE

Copy to AAI (Your signal SD 827 of 9 July 44 refers)

Ref our signal SD 1162 of 9 July 44, subject as above.

1. The 1 Guide Gp has been assigned to PBS, against Serial 3471 in List 3.

2. PBS have been asked to inform us when they will take control, and where the Gp is to move to from CAVA DEI TIRRENI.

for PB

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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TO AAI MAIN

FROM MAIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
SD 1158	9	

RESTRICTED (.) Ref your SD 1094 of 5 July (.) FIRST (.) Present strength 7 TC Bn 16 offrs 389 ORs organised as follows (.) HQ and HQ Pl 5 and 37 cmd 6 TC Coy 4 and 175 cmd 7 TC Coy 4 and 140 cmd 132 Breakdown unit 2 and 23 cmd CC RR Sec 1 and 14 (.) Total of 15 and 574 (.) SECOND (.) Equipt and vehs held are rifles 433 Pistols 14 Heavy vehs 4 Light vehs 9 M/cs 39 Carts 2 Horses 2 (.) THIRD (.) Can complete Bn to TE if required

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 33/9

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TO MMIA Rptd PBS (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY) ACO MAIN FOR OFFENHAUER 2129

FROM MAIN HQ AQI

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

SD 827 Confidential © GUIDE BN (italian) Strength 34 officers 545 enl men at CHIA NEAR SALERNO IS assigned to PBS and counts against serial 3411 on priority list 30 for PBS © THIS unit formerly guarding italian fisheries Mar. ministries and is reported well disciplined and smartly uniformed © therefore recommend that it be

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN / OUT	No. of Groups GR.	Serial No. / Office Date Stamp

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TO

FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number

used for guard duty only & at a later date
this unit may be withdrawn for reconnaration
in an internal security div & Request you report
on its condition on 18 august -

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CONSISTENZA ORGANICA DEL VII° BTG. MOV. STRADALE ALLA DATA DEL 1 GIUGNO 1944

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- 7^ cp. M.S.				1/1	3/3		9/13	131/239	
- 132°Rep.Socc.Strad.				1/0	1/1		3/3	20/ 35	
- 7^ sez. CC.RR.					1/0	1/1	1/0	12/ 6	
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Al numerato denominato

CONSISTENZA ORGANICA DELL'ARMAMENTO, AUTOMEZZI, QUADRUPEDI E CARREGGIO ALLA DATA DE

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. MOV. STRADALE ALLA DATA DEL 1 GIUGNO 1944

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NOTE

Al numeratore forza presente, al denominatore forza organica.-

Stranieri 16/35/354
WE 15/35/549

ENTO, AUTOMEZZI, QUADRUPEDI E CARREGGIO ALLA DATA DEL 1 GIUGNO 1944.-

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SERVIZI
-Sezione Artiglieria-

N. 4/2495 di prot. Serv. 193 P. M. 151, li 8 luglio 1944

Risposta al foglio N. SD/18 del 27/6/44 Allegati

OGGETTO: 2001°, 2002° Pleteni Servizi impiegati alle dipendenze della Sottocommissione per l'alimentazione A.C.C.-

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
LEQUILE (Lecce)

2001 - 2002 Service platoon employed under command of MMLO for feeding of A.C.C.

Il Comando FF.AA. della Campania in seguito a richiesta di queste S.M. informa, che i militari dei pleteni in oggette sono giunti a Napoli armati di fucili mod.38 con una dotazione di 36 cartucce.=

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.INTER.
-Col.Attilio Querois-

Ec Prucl.

OK
No further action
KRB 9/7

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Capt J.N. Gr[illegible]am GSO III, SD/18
G(SD) Branch,
Headquarters Allied Armies,
in Italy,
CMF.

6 Jul 44

Dear Fox

Your HQ letter SD/18 of 28 Jun 44 is not being overlooked, but I thought you might like to know why an official answer is not at the moment forthcoming.

Lt-Col Hampton knows the whole story, but for the moment, the whole matter is tied up with the question of how the I.S. people are to be employed. Briefly, the likelihood is that they will be asked to carry out all such duties as the unit you mention.

When are you coming to see this fine part of the world ?

Yours Sincerely

Capt G.C. Fox GSO III,
HQ Army Sub Commission,
ACC, Lequile.

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TO MMIA

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FROM NBIN AAI 191	Originator's Number SD1094	Date —	In Reply to Number —

Restricted two cop for two: Ref your TC cops to PBS & Request you SD1045 of 28 Jan & notify PRA demand and forward correct fingerprint cards in quadruplicate using the original PRA demand and forward correct fingerprint cards in quadruplicate using the original PRA demand and forward correct fingerprint cards in quadruplicate using the original

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TO MMIA Lo VI Corps

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number SD 1127 | Date | In Reply to Number 207

Restricted ⊙ Your G/3 of 5 ⊙ Request all you wire cased ⊙ quoting reference in for DISTONE in March ⊙ Reco not Copy ept understood ⊙ Your G/2 of 4 ⊙ why are 35 drivers for CIL going SICILY query

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TO MMIA

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FROM Corps 203

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My G/2 of 4 Jul			G/2	5	
from Reggio on Jul 4th of 37 Refts 505 Hqrs & Detachment					
Corps for 1 Dist in March of Also 35 docs for Italian					
Corps of Liberation					

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Subject:- Italian Guards for Supply Depots and Port Detachments

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE. (LECCE)
AQ/2
22 Jun 44

Italian War Ministry

against Italian
Acc 777

Copy to:- MMIA LO NAPLES

1. You are requested to make available for permanent duty in the NAPLES Area 4 Italian Officers and 50 Italian Other Ranks.

2. The personnel will be attached to the Divisional Commissariato for Guard duties, to guard supplies wherever necessary, for example as follows:-

a. DISCHARGE of Supplies ex Ships

Guards will be stationed on the Quay side during the whole time the ship is discharging Italian supplies.

b. One guard will travel with each Lorry from Quay side to Italian Supply Depot. He will travel in the back of the lorry only.

c. ITALIAN SUPPLY DEPOTS

When Italian Supplies are NOT being discharged the duties of the Personnel will be assigned to guarding Italian Supply Depots day and night, and do general duties as required by the O.C. Depot.

3. Please take immediate action and inform this HQ when these Guards can take up their duties.

Not d.
FCB 5/7

Sgd:- F.J. NOAKES
Lt. Col
for Major General
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

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TO MMIA LO 31 Corps

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number SD 1114 | Date 4 July | In Reply to Number

Your G1 of 0 0 Requested data & reference NOT received possibly corrupt

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TO MMIA

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
CO 31 corps.	G/2	4	

Dep July 4 37 offs for guards Go out
PALERMO 0 will accompany 35 docs for C I C

BDP 4

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TO AAI

FROM MM/A

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
SD 1108		

Restricted O awaiting reply over
SD 1045 of 20 June

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TO MMIA.

FROM I CORPS

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Numbers
G/1 1993	5/1	

Ref phone SD 1064 1100 REGGIE
conf from 5th (US) Div. Intend Conf Surveillance
mtr Retachments as from close 30 ①
Reasons for cmd Unable be done before this ①
First ① Conf cmd for employment NOT priced ①
Second ① Items Ref Ltr Requested Awaited

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FROM : MAIN AAI

TO : REAR POLCORPS

INFO : MAIN POLCORPS MISSPOL att POLCORPS MMIA

DATE TIME.....B

ORIG NO: SD 1941

CONFIDENTIAL (.) ref your 3303 AG of 26 (.) regret no further ITALIANS available for gd duties

(1) : (2) : PRIORITY

Copy to :- A: Q:

1605/50/6

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TO MIA LD 51 Corps

FROM MIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
SD 1064		

Ref by Enclosure letter dtd 1 Aug 55 from Commanding Officer, 51st Corps, requesting that Cpl [illegible] be awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge. Investigation disclosed that Cpl [illegible] was not assigned to this unit during the period for which he requested the award. Request returned herewith.

5 Incl
1. Ltr dtd 1 Aug 55
2. Ltr dtd 10 Aug 55
3. Ltr dtd 15 Aug 55
4. Ltr dtd 22 Aug 55
5. Ltr dtd 29 Aug 55

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Signature [illegible] Secretary	Signature		T.H.I.
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TO FILPOT info hq MMH MISCPOT #1 Polcorps 3 of 6

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
Rear POLCORPS	3303 HS		

Confidential Ref my 1021 HQ of 23 rd ult. One of
the necessity of speeding new food ducats out of this
area has been brought to Philippine military notice
and FMH HQN Rear Hqrs
many these have been allocated
This is 1st of 6 pts.

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TO AAI

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
SD 1062		

Ref 2-6 DE 6

A Rqst Pol corps (1) Suggest STEFANIS provide

W303 AG of Pol corps Delegation

ark "A"

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SUBJECT: 120 Inf Bn MANTOVA Div

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
SD/18
26 June 44

AAI

1. The Italian General Staff have asked whether the 120 Bn of the Mantova Div is to be eventually returned to the division or whether it is to be considered as finally transferred to under Allied command.

2. This Bn was originally lent from the Mantova Div for guard duties under command 2 District. On arrival of guard Bns from SARDINIA it was to be returned.

3. On the arrival of 701 Guard Bn from SARDINIA the 120 Bn was relieved and sent to rejoin its division in CALABRIA.

4. The Bn was then ordered to EIGHTH Army on the 22 June.

5. Will you please enable us to reply to the Italian General Staff.

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

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SEGRETO

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

N. 4529/Ord. di prot. P.M.151, li 26 giugno 1944

OGGETTO : 120° battaglione fanteria.-

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C. LECCE

^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Si prega codesta Sottocommissione di voler far conoscere se il 120° battaglione fanteria, partito il 22 corrente per Vairano, deve considerarsi definitivamente passato alle dipendenze di impiego degli A.A.-

In tal caso si prega di far conoscere il numero d'ordine del programma a cui il battaglione é destinato.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(G.B. Oxilia)

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TO Action FILPOT rptd HQ MMIA MISS POL and POLCORPS

FROM A REAR POLCORPS

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
3303 AG	26 th	

(CONFIDENTIAL?) Ref my 1021 AG of 23rd. Owing to necessity for opening new food dumps and depots personnel for guard duties urgently required. (Signify?) ORTONO FMA and each back of Military protect 15 sept 15 ITALIAN personnel be alleviated by - these

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SUBJECT: Italian Soldiers - 2008, 2008/2 Service Pls.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MEDITA)
CASERTA (ITALY)
AG/12
2 June 44

195.

HQ AFHQ
Local Sub Commission

Copy to: G.S.
CMIS (Communication Circuit - Document 25 June enclose)

Your AGB /60 - 2/POW of 21 June 44.

1. Copy of Inspection Report on Service pls (forwarded to HQ AFHQ on 29 May 44.) is enclosed herewith for your information.

2. 2008/2 Service pls are under sole cont of HQ FF AA CAMPANIA, to whom they should apply in the first instance for any necessary items of clothing and equip.

3. Ministry of War have been instructed to issue pullovers on demand by the pls to HQ FF AA CAMPANIA.

4. Blankets are uncontrolled and the above HQ can issue on demand.

5. Efforts are being made to obtain denims for all four pls.

6. Italian General Staff are submitting a report on the disappearance of the rifles (each man formerly had a rifle and 96 rds amn - see Inspection Report). HQ FF AA have been signalled to make up present deficiencies.

A Pls. for
Brig. Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCS.

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SUBJECT: 2001, 2002 Service Platoons working under Food Sub Commission A.C.C.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
SD/18
26 June 44

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SMRE

1. Food Sub Commission, ACC, report that the personnel of the above two pls are without arms, and are therefore unable to carry out guard duties if required to do so.

2. On inspection of these pls in the BARI area on 22 May 44, our IO of 2 District reported that each man was in possession of a rifle and 36 rounds of ammunition.

3. Please therefore make investigations, and report why the pls are at present without arms of any kind.

Talked to SMRE re above. They are, pending a reply to above, telling BASO to ensure each man has a rifle & ammo

&C.S. for

Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CCL.

&C.S. to

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TO AAI

FROM MMIA

SM1945 Originator's Number | 26 Date | In Reply to Number

RESTRICTED (*) Have three traffic control ccys each approx 200 strong employed BARI BRINDISI LECCE and KINGS COY strength 11 offrs 320 ORs on guard duties LECCE (*) All dressed Italian uniform and at present carried within Italian Adm ceiling (*) latter quite smart and recommended for special guard duties (*) can you employ under Cond Allies (*) Italians suggest one traffic control coy ROME

Demande part HAI ou 4 fois

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Food Sub-Commission
A.P.O. 394

EGL/sl

21 June 1944

ACC/60-2/FOOD

SUBJECT: Italian Soldiers - General Duty Personnel

TO : HeadquartersArmy Sub-Commission

1. This Sub-Commission has been assigned two platoons of Italian Soldiers (NOS.2001 & 2002) for Guard and General Duties at ACC warehouses, by Headquarters Allied Control Commission.

2. A copy of letter received from Lt. SOAVE MATTEO is enclosed and your attention is drawn to the paras marked.

3. The facts stated therein have been confirmed and any improvement in the issue of bedding or clothing that can be arranged will increase the work that these soldiers are able to perform and will consequently improve the value of them to this Sub-Commission.

4. At present these soldiers can only be used for general duties owing to absence of arms. Could arms of any kind be provided so that they can be used as guards if required?

W. J. LEGG
Colonel
Chief, Food Sub-Commission

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Translation

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B

Platoon 2001

Naples, June 18, 1944

TO : HEADQUARTERS
ACC Food Sub-Commission
NAPLES

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Subject : Billeting for Italian Soldiers of Platoons 2001 and 2002 in service for ACC.

(1) According to your order, Italian personnel of platoons 2001 and 2002 are starting work this evening as stated in your ACC/60-2/Food dated the 16 June and according to our conversation of yesterday.

(2) We ask you, in this behalf, to kindly afford a better means of living condtions for these soldiers and if possible a building or residence of some sort.

(3) They are now living in tents and the heat during the day so intense as to make it impossible for these soldiers to acquire sufficient rest (two days ago, two soldiers fainted because of the intense heat) Besides, it is unhealthy to sleep on the ground and the soldiers are not even furnished with any type of mattress whatsoever. army Sub-Com

It is also necessary that another blanket should be furnished to each soldier (actually they have only a small blanket each - blankets from the Italian army)

Even for personal cleanliness conditions are very inconvenient because the camp is not furnished with any means of running water and the soldiers who sleep on the ground must wask themselves very often as a result.

Let it also be taken into consideration that these soldiers are furnished with only one suit of clothes and one set of underclothes and as they work every day, there occurs the urgent necessity that they should be furnished other garments so that they will be able to change.

We beg you to take into consideration, as soon as possible, the above said.

IL COMANDANTE
(Ten. SOAVE MATTEO) 47
s /

Copy to: Headquarters Commandant, HQ ACC.

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FROM (A) Originator: MAIN AHQ | Date-Time of Origin.: 0015 | Office Date Stamp: SD/18 D 18

For Action.: MMIA info

TO (W) For Information (INFO): kindly advise acc dai adv 185 for Albert distance V

Message Instructions: QQY | GR: SI

Originator's No.

SD 1815 Confidential 0 First 0 ref your SD975 of 20 and enclosures to your 182 / 185 / 18 of 18' 15 Jan 44 to all 0 personnel for guards listed in Sicily region letter ref SD/0114 point 1 of 4a will be found from SHAEF USA DIV NOR under comd distance 0 second 0 On completion of duties with IBS 505 pd he will pass to under comd distance for 56 Area but will not leave 40 therefrom Sicily WITHOUT PRIOR REF TO THIS HQ =

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SD 1815 Confidential ⊙ Frost ⊙ Ref your
SD 975 of 20 and enclosures to your 167 of 185
20 not to all ⊙ personnel for guards listed
in Sicily region letter 26/014 point 1 of 181
it will be found from SAIBA UDA DIV XXII
under cond discharge ⊙ record ⊙ On completion
of duties with IBS 505 pt he will pass to under
cond discharge for 5b Area but will not be 40
move from vicinity WITHOUT PRIOR REFTO
THIS HQ -

Ltr 23/6

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SUBJECT:- Serial 1089 - Third Priority List

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
LAQUILA (1.4.CM.)
SD/18
22 Jun 44

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PRS for Col LEMNEY

Copy to:- G(SD) A.A.I.
Army Sub Comm LO NAPLES

Ref your Memo of 18 June addressed to Col KERR.

1. It is agreed that Serial 1089 in the AAI Third Priority List has not yet been filled and it has in fact never been struck off the MMIA Priority List.

2. Certain units ex CORSICA which it was thought were coming direct to the mainland were earmarked against Serial 1089. Of these it was known that the CALVI Labour Det had arrived, and you now state that the Reparto Avvistamento has also arrived making a total of 200 men.

3. Against the outstanding of Serial 1089 and Serial 1087 which also has not yet been filled (total number of men 1260) the following units are in SARDINIA awaiting shipment

	Strength
Base BONIFACIO	75
1 Bn PRESIDIARIO	308
510 and 511 Inf Bns	954
Total	1337

all of which are included in Priority List 7
Would you like them reorganised in any way pending shipment ?

4. Serial 1075A which is the only other early Serial unfilled is being filled by

	Offrs	ORs	
18 Bn HQ's	72	720	
Personnel from APULIA	-	550	45

of which 12 Bn HQ's and 400 from APULIA have already been sent.

5. In addition there are the Garrisons of ISCHIA and CAPRI which have been assigned to you; the reinforcement for 212 Div HQ. 30 offrs and 180 men and 100 odd offrs which are all either with you or about to arrive.

6. It is understood that a new Priority List will be issued soon by AAI and the

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3. Against the outstanding of Serial 1069 and Serial 1087 which also has not yet been filled (total number of men 1260) the following units are in SARDINIA awaiting shipment

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6. It is understood that a new Priority List will be issued soon by AAI and the above can then be taken into consideration.

7. In the meantime would AAI please note paras 2 and 3 and make the necessary amendment in List 3.

for List

Maj Gen.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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LIAISON SECTION
HEADQUARTERS PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
APO 782

DJL/hhh

18 June 1944

MEMO to: Colonel Kerr, c/o Army Sub Commission, ACC (MMIA), APO 394.

1. Reference is made to A.A.I. letter dated 12 May 44, subject Amendment No. 3 to Third Priority List - Italian Units, file 1605/50/4/3G (SD1). It is noted that serial 1089 which called for one guard battalion to PBS was cancelled, and that 1142 personnel were supposed to have arrived in fulfillment thereof.

2. To date, our records indicate that only two shipments of Italian units have been assigned to Peninsular Base Section under serial 1089; namely, the "Reparto Avvistamento" and the "Calvi" labor detachment with a total strength of 200 men. Both of these units arrived from Corsica on or about 5 May 1944. Since this serial calls for a total of 1100 personnel, it would appear that, contrary to your figures, there are still 900 men outstanding and yet to arrive.

3. It is therefore requested that this matter be checked, since it is believed troops counting against serial 1089 may have gone to commands other than PBS. If this is found to be correct, it is then requested that efforts be made to ship the remainder of the personnel as soon as possible.

DONALD J. LEEHEY
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief Liaison Officer

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Subject:- Guards from Italian Army in SICILY

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
Lequile (Lecce)
SD/18
2nd June 44

AAI

Copy to:- Lt Col ALBERT, MMIA LO SICILY

Further to our Signal SD 975 of 20 June 44.

1. Attached is copy of SICILY Region HQ, ACC letter, RC/014.1 of 14 June 44, forwarded to us by our LO in PALERMO.

2. Please authorise the placing of 505 Guard Bn under comd HQ, SICILY Region w.e.f. 1 Jul 44.

for

Maj Gen
Army Sub Comm, ACC

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TO MMIA INFO 185 FOR ALBERT

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FROM MAIN AAI	Originator's Number 182	Date	In Reply to Number

SD1769 RESTRICTED ⊙ Ref your SD975 of 20⊙ Decide on receipt of letter

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SUBJECT: CC.RR and GG.FF under comd Allies.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
G/1B — 50/18
20th June 44.

AAI (GSD)

Ref request from Capt. GRAHAM.

1. Att list shows all CC.RR under comd of Allied Formations as known to this H.Q., and Italian Gen Staff.

2. So far as is known there are no GG.FF under comd of Allied Fmns.

for Major General,
Army Sub Comn, A.C.C.

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CC.RR Secs a(to Formation HQs under comd of (lios.

Section	With	Location	Offrs.	Ors.
711	227 Div	CASERTA	1	30
712	IFAHQ (Gen. TOMASELLI)	PIEDAMONTE d'ALIFE	1	30
39	C.I.L.	CHIETI Area	1	53
51	C.I.L.	" "	1	65
314	NEMBO	" "	-	44
702	209 Div.	ATESSA	1	53
154	210 Div.	ANZIO	1	85
46	212 Div.	NAPLES.	1	47
146	" "	"	1	48

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TO AAI rptd IBS for ALERT MMIA LO

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number: SD 976 | Date | In Reply to Number

Confidential (1) SICILY ACC Region HQ have
affiad for 505 Guard Bn (1/118 Inf
Regt) for one month on relinquish-
-ment authorized (1) IBS 1 JULY (1) Request
you Letter follows

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
SICILY RGEION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

FILE:RC/014.1 14 June 1944

SUBJECT: Guards from Italian Army

TO : M.M.I.A.

Through: Liaison Officer, SICILY

1. Consequent on future plans for Island Base Section, it is requested that Italian Guards be provided as follows from Italian XII Corps w.e.f. 1 JULY to 1 AUG 44 unless A.C.C. can offer release before latter date:

Electric Sub-Section	34
Train and Refugee control	52
Refugee Camp	35
Security of Warehouses*ACC	506
Total	627

2. Liaison Officer MMIA SICILY has relevant details.

3. The number of guards required was worked out originally with IBS supervision. The large figure for security of warehouses comprimes guards of 24 hours for 39 Food warehouses. Preparations are in hand for eventual hand-over of these warehouses to the Italian authorities: it is hoped to complete this by 1 AUG.

A.N. HANCOCK
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

Copy TO: Executive Commissioner
R.C. & M.G. Section
H.Q. A.C.C. Naples
for Army Sub-Commission

Sir, I can't find 38 at moment AHC 15/6

No.254 1st IND
ARMY SUB COMMISSION L.O. SICILY APO 550 16 June 1944

TO: GOC Army Sub Commission ACC Main Hq (MMIA) LEQUILE (LECCE)

1. Ref: a AG 322 (IBSGC) of 10 June 1944. forwarded by Caltanissetta 185 of 11 June
b IBSAA-1224 of 14 June 1944.

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b IBSAA-1224 of 14 June 1944. 185 of 11 June

2. In as much as IBS request to be relieved of the attachment of 505th Bn Security Services (Italian Army) by 1 July 1944, whose total strength is approximately 770, and a portion of this Bn is already guarding ACC installations at Palermo and vicinity and their guard requirements for the month of July is 627 :-

a Recommend that the 505th Bn Security Services be attached to ACC Sicily Region 1 for operations and employment for July 1944 unless sooner released.

G.1
I suggest we agree
Col. Albert's
recommendation.
(Ltr o.k. by AAI).

Lester R Albert
LESTER R ALBERT
Lt Col Inf
L O Sicily

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Return after Ans To A.L.

SUBJECT: Org and Comd of CC.RR (Carabinieri) and R.G.F. (Regia Guardia di Finanze.)

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MAIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
SD/18
17 June 44.

A.A.L.

Copy to: H.Q. ACC.

Your signal, SD 1497 of 11 Jun 44.

1. Carabinieri Org and Comd (excl military CC.RR Sections) is shown in diagram at attached Appx. "A".

2. The nine legions (strength at 5 June 472 offrs, 26,844 ORs.) shown in the Appx are employed principally on Public Security duties under the Ministry of the Interior working in conjunction with the Public Safety Sub Commission of the A.C.C.

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3. In addition to the above nine legions there are the military CC.RR Sections (equivalent to British CMP) who are used solely for military duties. They are attached to Div and higher formation H.Qs, and at present total approximately 1,500 offrs and men.

4. The channel of demand for obtaining military CC.RR for provost duties with Allied units is AAI - MAIA - S.M.R.E. - CC.RR HQ. SALERNO.

5. CC.RR for Public Security duties come under Public Safety Sub Commission and it is recommended that all demands for such personnel should be made direct to them, copy to MAIA for info.

6. In case of interest, at Appx "B" attached is a diagram showing org and comd of the Regia Guardia di Finanza (Royal Customs Guard, strength at 5 June 192 offrs, 7586 ORs.)

Hampton Lt Col
for Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

tvs.RGF.

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Appx "A" to MMIA SD/18
of 17 Jun 44

CC.RR Org (excl Military CC.RR Secs)

HQ CC.RR Liberated ITALY. SALERNO.
(Comd Maj Gen. PIECHE)

- Bde HQ NAPLES
  - Legion HQ NAPLES
  - Legion HQ BARI
  - Legion HQ CATANZARO
- Bde HQ. PALERMO
  - Legion HQ PALERMO
  - Legion HQ CAGLIARI
  - Legion HQ MESSINA

NOTES:- (a) Liberated ITALY is divided into six ZONES. In each ZONE is a CC.RR Legion with its HQ in the main province of the ZONE.

(b) In addition to Legions shown in diagram, there are three special Legions: ROMA for ROME, LAZIO (HQ in NAPLES) for LAZIO ZONE, ABRUZZO (HQ in CAMPOBASSO) for ABRUZZO ZONE.

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Appx "B" to MTA SO/18
of 4 June 44.

"Guardia di Finanza" Org.

H.Q. R.C.F. Liberated Italy.

SALERNO (Cmd. Brig. Gen. MORICA.)

Legion HQ BARI.	Legion HQ NAPLES.	Legion HQ MESSINA	Legion HQ PALERMO	Legion H.Q. CAGLIARI.

Notes: (a) R.C.F. come under Ministry of Finance in conjunction with Finance Sub Commission, A.C.C. Are divided into a Land Branch and a Sea Branch. Legions contain personnel of both Branches.

(b) Land Branch deals with Customs Control, prevention of contraband etc.
Sea Branch are used on Coastguard duties, have liaison with the Ministry of Marine.

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SUBJECT:- 13 Guard Coy (late 542 Service Coy)

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMLA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
G/24
15 Jun 44

SMRE

Attached for your information is copy of FSS Memo of 11 Jun, regarding 542 Service Coy, now to be redesignated 13 Guard Coy (Italian).

for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

ABC

Copy to:- SD/18

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For Action.

BCK 15/6.

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TO BAOSTEEL MMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

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Originator's No. S 11498 cite IBSAG – 1224

Comet Line

Ref AG 322 – (IBSGC) of 10th. June forward by our No. 195 of 11th. June

The 505th S Guards ACC Region 1 installation at PALERMO.

Region 1 request approx 650 Italian guards for month July. Recommend approval to attach 505 th to ACC Region 1 for operation month July if not sooner released.

Letter follows.

IBS closes here 1st. July

New Subject

Ref para 2 your AQ/5/2 of 9th. June, this office on 24th May was advised 12 cars NO tyres could be supplied to them and the requisition sent from Casablanca

Awaiting approval of Allied HQ

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corps NO types could be supplied to
them and to requisition some from
Courtines

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parcel No.

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TO MAIA

FROM AAI

Originator's Number 175 | Date | In Reply to Number

SD1497 RESTRICTED ⊙ Ref your SD903 of 09 ⊙ Request you fwd correct details present org and comd all Sardinian carabinieri in Italy Sicily Sardinia

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Italian Army General Staff H.Q.

"Ordinamento & Mobilitazione" Office,

"Ordinamento" Section.

Ref. No 3741/ord. P.M. 151, May 29, 1944.
Subject: Change of name of 1st Btg. 518th Inf. Rgt
Distribution: Omitted.

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Following inactivation of the 518th Inf. Rgt (Mob.-center: Depot of 20th Inf. Rgt - Vibo Valentia), the 1st Btn of the 518th Inf. Rgt, now at Palermo attatched to the A.A., will have the following name w.e.f. 1st of June next:
- 505th Btn Security Services.

G.B. Oxilia, Deputy Chief of Staff.

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FO/ma

XIIth Army Corps H.Q.
"Operazioni-Ordinamento" Office.

Ref. No 2833/02 Palermo, June 5, 1944

To Nol British District H.Q. -Catania

To M.M.I.A. Detatchment, Army Sub-Commission -Palermo

To XIIth Army Corps L.O. to No 1 British District H.Q. -Catania

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.....for information.....

by order,

Sgd A. Calaresu, Chief of Staff.

1st IND

File No.176
ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC (MMIA) L.O. SICILY APO 550 8 June 1944

To: GOC Armys Sub Commission ACC (MMIA) Main Hq LEQUILE (LECCE)
CO Island Base Section

For your information

Lester R Albert

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LESTER R ALBERT
Lt Col Inf
L O Sicily

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TO ACC MAIN [redacted] RPTD AAI

FROM MMIA

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SD 903		

RESTRICTED / AAI / APPLICATION TO / HQ CARABINIERI / NO

C / SD 1408 / MORE

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FARREN / R JUNE / SAFETY / INFORMED

C / C. / SUB / GEN

REF / SUGGEST / CCM G / STAFF / ARMY

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TO MMIA INFO ACC MAIN FOR FARREN

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AAI	SD1408		

RESTRICTED 050 CARABINIERI required comment for AMG region 80 Request you state if these can be supplied and give date of readiness.

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TO AAI

FROM MMIA

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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TO HMA

FROM HAI	Originator's Number SD 1329	Date	In Reply to Number

(RESTRICTED) Request you state whether List 3 serial 1062 and 1120 have been filled

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UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

N. 5769 prot. OP. SD/18b P.M. 151, li 22 Maggio 1944

Allegati

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Risposta al foglio N.

del

OGGETTO: 1 Btg. 336° rgt. ftr. "Piceno".-
Transfer of 1 Cr. Bn. 336 Inf. Rgt. "Picino" Div.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -

L e q u i l e

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Riferimento foglio SD 808 del 27 c.m..-

Con foglio a riferimento cotesta Missione ha comunicato che il 1 btg. del 336° rgt. ftr. "Piceno" viene trasferito da Bari a Vairano per servizi di guardia e sicurezza presso l'8ª Armata. 26

Trattandosi di uno dei battaglioni della Div. "Piceno", dati in prestito in attesa dell'arrivo dei noti btg. della Sardegna, si prega di voler esaminare la possibilità di restituire detto reparto appena possibile.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
- G.B.Oxilia -

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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -

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- G.B.Oxilia -

G. Oxilia

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TRANSLATION PTO

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

TRANSLATION

Subject: Transfer of 1st Bn 336 Inf Regt "PICENO" Div

Ref your SD808 dated 27th. inst.

Your a/m letter states that the 1st Bn of the 336 Inf Regt of the "PICENO" Div is transferred from Bari to Vairano for guard and police duties with the 8th Army.

As it is one of the Bns of the "PICENO" Div which were lent pending arrival of the remaining Bns from Sardinia will you please consider the possibility of returning same as soon as possible.

(Sgd) General OXILIA

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TO MMIA INFO MMIA Lo Acc MMIA

FROM G3 - 5TH ARMY 166

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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Ref your SD 835 dated 1 June Operations Italian Divisions remaining NOT mpt 22 Contingent for 210 Arrival of 30 Contingent on 6 June will meet Arrival Demand

Strike effected by telephone 3/6 pm 3/6

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TO MMIA INFO MMVA LO ACC MAIN

FROM G3 SARMY | Originator's Number — | Date — | In Reply to Number —

REF N3188 CONFIRMED THAT REMAINING TWO TWO PAREN
REFERENCE YOUR SUGAR DOG EIGHT THREE FIVE DATED ONE JUNE
PAREN CARABINIERI FOR TWO ONE ZERO ITALIAN DIVISION
NOT REPEAT NOT ESSENTIAL O PAREN FIVE ARMY TO ~~MMIA~~
ACTION AAI INFO PAREN ARRIVAL OF THREE ZERO ~~CARABINIERI~~
CARABINIERI ON SIX JUNE WILL MEET DEMAND.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

OUTGOING MESSAGE

G. 5/11/18 02/6 168

TO: LIAISON OFFICER REAR EIGHT ARMY

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No:

FROM: ACC MAIN CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL

REFERENCE No: 5646 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: MAY 31, 1944 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: ARMY SUB COMMISSION

FOR FEILDMAN PD FROM PIDSLEY PD ACC ARE ANXIOUS THAT RUINS OF CASSINO ABBEY SHOULD BE PRESERVED FROM TREASURE HUNTERS PD SUGGEST THAT THE GUARD MIGHT WELL BE AN ITALIAN ARMY OR CCRR COMMITMENT PD PAREN TO LIAISON OFFICER REAR EIGHT ARMY FROM ACC MAIN SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN DISCUSS WITH EIGHT ARMY STAFF AND OFFER ALL ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE

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INFO: MMIA LEQUILE (LECCE)

LOUIES T MONTANT JR
1st. Lt. AGD
ADJUTANT

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TO MMIA 0216

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
LO 31 Italian Corps.	G 6/273	2	

departed from CROTONE 1900 hrs 1 June 350 Trans
guard Corps 6 Offrs 150 ORs 0 Inspected 30 May
0 Inspection report follows

JAK 2/6 550

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MESSAGE FORM

From MMIA T O O

To FIFTH ARMY T H I
rptd AA I MMIA LO ACC MAIN SMRE

SD 835 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) Reference AAI's SD 718 of 30 May (.) THIRTY Carabinieri reporting 210 Div for FIFTH Army 6 June (.) Request you confirm remaining 22 (22) absolutely essential since availability of Carabinieri almost NIL

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Subject:- Carabinieri for 210 Div

Army Sub Commission, ACC
Main HQ (AMZA)
REAR HQ (ARCOM)
SIV/18
31 May 44.

S.H.A.E.F.

Reference conversation Lt Col DI DIEGO - Maj BARBIERI yesterday.

1. 2 additional Carabinieri are required for FIFTH ARMY for 210 Div.

2. This HQ has been asked to signal how soon they can be made available.

3. Would you please therefore state -

(a) where they will come from

(b) the date on which they will be ready to start

or

(c) if they are already in the area, the date on which they will report to 210 Div.

Lt Col
for Maj Gen
Army Sub Comm, ACC

JET/cc

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Subject : Train Guards.

To : HMIA LO
to XXIInd Italian Corps.

H.Q. Movements.
REGGIO. (CALABRIA. 30/1
MT/R.
26 May 1944

G. 164
O/C

The following is the required disposition of the Train Guard Company to be stationed in Calabria :-

Place.	Strength.	Operating Between.
REGGIO	H.Q. & 1 Sec.	REGGIO and CATANZARO. and PALMI.
CATANZARO	1 Pl.	CATANZARO, CROTONE and SAN EUFEMIA.
SAN EUFEMIA	1 Sec	PAOLA - GIOIA TAURO.
COSENZA	1 Sec.	PAOLA - COSENZA (and SIBARI if required.)
SIBARI	1 Pl.	METAPONTO and COSENZA.
PAOLA	1 Pl.	PAOLA - AGROPOLI.
CROTONE	1 Sec.	CROTONE - SIBARI.

Staff Capt.

Copy to : HMIA LECCE.

G.1. HMIA.L.O 31
Corps has yet been told to report this unit. 19
Pr 2/6

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 231

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN METTVFIESB M QVR 1QQT NR221/1

OUT

No. of Groups. GR. 39

Office Date Stamp 30/1 163

TO MMIA INFO AAFAC AMS FOSSIA PROVINCE

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FROM HQ AAI

Originator's Number SD721

Date

In Reply to Number

CONFIDENTIAL 0 107 italian territorial bn strength 28 officers 216 rm is assigned allied air force area rear and will be included in orbat of units employed by allies ⊙ your SD 827 of 30 May refers

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Translation

From : SMRE. Ref: 9865/712/G/SR.
To : MMIA. Dtd: 27.5.44.162

Subject: Guard Service Supplied to 53 D.D Taranto.

Re your SD/18/142 dated 10th. inst.

H.Q. 51st. Army Corps, asked to investigate urgently breaches of duty, committed by personnel of a detachment of the 1st Bn. of the 12e Rgt. employed on guard Duties by 53 D.D Taranto, and take the necessary measures in accordance of repetition of the case complained of, by MM: I have reported the following action taken:-

a) Infantryman: ZITO, Alessandro, has been awarded 15 days in a severe punishement cell and 30 days in a normal punishment cell: "in that he was lax in the fulfilment of his guard duties at a Food Depot".

b) 2nd Lt. TAMBURELLI, Gianni, O.C. Detachment, has been awarded 3 days simple arrest: "in that as O.C. of a detachment for guard duties at a Food Depot he did Not exercise due and proper control over his personnel, thus leading to a complaint on the fulfilment of duties". The punishment awarded this officer in light in consideration the fact that no

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employed as guard. Duties by 53 D.D Taranto, and take the necessary measures in avoidance of repetition of the case complained of. My H.Q.R. have reported the following action taken:-

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c) The detachment (a platoon) has been changed for another one with specially picked personnel.

a) Officers of the Int. Bn. of the 120 Inf. Reg. have been warned of the importance of the duties entrusted to them and the absolute necessity that these should be carried out scrupulously.

(Sgd) Jemmi Oxi-Ia.

Stato 1/8/20

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

RICEVUTA SD/15 161

P.M.151 li 27 maggio 1944

N. 865/715/G prot. SF

Allegati

Risposta al foglio N.

del

OGGETTO: servizio di guardia fornito dal I btg. del 120° reggimento fanteria al 53° D.I.D. di Taranto.-

Guard service supplied by 53 D.I.D. Taranto by 1st. Bn. of 120 Inf. Reg.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C. - LECCE -

Riferimento foglio n°SD/15 del 10 c.m..

Il comando del III corpo d'armata, interessato a disporre urgenti accertamenti in merito alle infrazioni commesse dal personale del distaccamento del I btg. del 120°r.g.f.fu., addetto al servizio di guardia presso il 53° deposito (I.I.D.) di Taranto ed a prendere le necessarie misure intese ad evitare il ripetersi degli inconvenienti lamentati da codesta Sottocommissione, ha informato di aver preso i seguenti provvedimenti :

a)-Il fante ZITO Alessandro è stato punito con gg.15 di cadere punizione rigore e gg.30 di cadere punizione semplice per aver disimpegnato poco scrupolosamente il servizio di guardia ad un deposito di vettovaglie ;

b)-Il s.tenente TAMBURELLI Gianni, comandante del distaccamento, è stato punito con gg.3 di arresti semplici perchè :"comandante di un plotone distaccato per servizio di guardia ad un deposito di vettovaglie non esercitava sul personale dipendente il dovuto controllo, sì da dar luogo a rimarchi circa lo svolgimento del servizio". La punizione inflitta all'ufficiale è lieve in considerazione dei suoi ottimi precedenti e del fatto che prima d'ora non aveva dato luogo a rilievi di sorta ;

c)-Il distaccamento (plotone) che forniva il servizio di guardia è stato sostituito con altro formato da elementi accuratamente

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Orig 1st Bn. of 120 Inf. 129.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.M.G. = TRIESTE =

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Riferimento foglio n°SD/18 del 10 c.m..

Il comando del II corpo d'armata, interessato a disporre urgenti accertamenti in merito alle infrazioni commesse dal personale del distaccamento del I btg. del 120°rgt.ftr., addetto al servizio di guardia presso il 53° deposito (P.I.D.) di Taranto ed a prendere le necessarie misure intese ad evitare il ripetersi degli inconvenienti lamentati da codesta Sottocommissione, ha informato di aver preso i seguenti provvedimenti :

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c)-il distaccamento (plotone) che forniva il servizio di guardia è stato sostituito con altro formato da elementi accuratamente vagliati ;

d)-è stata richiamata l'attenzione degli ufficiali del I btg.del 120°rgt.ftr. sulla delicatezza del compito loro affidato e sulla necessità che esso sia assolto con scrupolo ed interessamento.-

IL SOTTOCAPO DI S.M.
-C.I.Cullia-

TRANSLATION ON REVERSE

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TRANSLATION

From SMRE

To MMIA

Ref 9865/712/G/SP
27 5 44

SUBJECT:- Guard Service supplied to 53 DID TARANTO

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Ref your SD/18 dated 10th inst.

HQ 51st Army Corps, asked to investigate urgently breaches of duty committed by personnel of a detachment of the 1st Bn 120 Inf Regt employed on guard duties by 53 DID TARANTO, and take the necessary measures to avoid repetitions of the case complained of by MMIA have reported the following action taken:-

a) Infantry man ZITO Alessandro has been awarded 15 days in a severe punishment cell and 30 days in a normal punishment cell, "in that he was lax in the fulfilment of his guard duties at a food Depot."

b) 2nd Lieut TAMBURELLI Gianni, O.C. Detachment, has been awarded 9 days simple arrest, "in that as OC of a detachment for guard duties at a Food Depot he did not exercise due and proper control over his personnel, thus leading to a complaint on the fulfilment of duties." The punishment awarded this officer is light in consideration of his excellent record and the fact that no previous complaint has ever been made of his services.

c) The detachment (a platoon) has been changed for another one with especially picked personnel.

d) Officers of the 1st Bn of the 120th Inf Regt have been warned of the importance of the duties entrusted to them and the absolute necessity that these should be carried out scrupulously.

signed General B.G. Oxilia

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TO MMIA RPT FIFTH ARMY. MMIA LO THRU PBS

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
HQ AAI	SD 718	158	

CONFIDENTIAL ⊙ Ref FIFTH ARMY msg 7837 of 29 May ⊙
Request that 52 additional barabinieri be made
available to FIFTH ARMY for 210 DIV ⊙ Inform this HQ
and FIFTH ARMY how soon this can be done

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MESSAGE FORM

TOO 30 1155 B

From MAIA

T H I

To AAI rptd AAFAC AMG FOGGIA PROVINCE

SD 829 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Ref our SD796 of 26 May (*) Recommend that 107 Territorial Bn strength 28 offrs and 216 ors be placed under comd Allied Air Force Area Comd and included in Orbat of units employed by Allies (*) Has been guarding pipe line VRs etc since occupation and considered essential by Com AAFAC (*) No rfts immediately available (*) For AAFAC and AMG (*) Carabinieri in FOGGIA province are territorial units and come under control of Public Safety Sub Commission

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FROM (A) Originator: G-3 FIVE ARMY | Date-Time of Origin.: 29/630B

For Action.: AAI

TRANSCRIPT

TO

(W) For Information (INFO): MMIA

Message Instructions. | GR

Originator's No. 7839

Build up of Italian service troops with 5 Army to 10000 has imposed a burden upon the 156 section CCRR which perform military police duties for italian units © 210 DIV has requested immediate assignment of an additional section of CARABINIERI of appros 50 men © Need for this additional section concurred in by this HQ © Request immediate assignment

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Build up of Italian service troops with
5 Army to 10000 has imposed a burden upon
the 154 section CCRR which performs military police
duties for italian units ◎ 21st DIV has requested
immediate assignment of an additional section
of CARABINIERI of approx 50 men ◎ Need for this
additional section concurred in by this HQ ◎
Request immediate assignment

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FROM (A) Originator: 9-3 FIVE ARMY | Date-Time of Origin.: 2916300B

For Action.

AAI

ORIGINAL

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MDIA

Message Instructions. GR 79

Originator's No.

Ref m 7839 build up of italian service troops with fifth army to tenth and has imposed a burden upon the one fifth fifth section charlie charlie roger roger which performs military police duties for italian units x Paren fifth army to 4th section armies info paren two one zero Division has requested immediate assignment of an additional section of CARABINIERI of approx ~~fifth~~ fifth zero men x Need for this additional section confirmed in by this hq x request immediate assignment

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED AIR FORCE AREA COMMAND
APO 650

A/RB-ead

23 May 1944

SUBJECT: P.I. and D.A.P. Services in Foggia District.

TO : Army Sub Commission, A.C.C., (MMIA), Lequile Lecce.

1. The Comando del IX Corpo d'Armata in a letter, dated 19 May, reference No. 2236/op, has informed the Commander of Italian troops in this area that his troops are not considered as being employed by the Allied Forces since request has not been regularly forwarded through your Commission. It appears that there is the possibility of these troops being removed from this area.

2. Request is hereby made that the troops be placed under operational control of this Headquarters, which is responsible for administering the area which takes in most of the province of Foggia, and that they therefore be considered as being employed by the Allied Forces.

3. The troops, about 214 infantrymen and 91 caribinieri, with 30 officers, under the command of Lt. Col. Bozza at San Severo, are performing a valuable service for the Allied Forces in the area. Attached hereto is a list showing dispositions and duty assignments for these troops. In guarding lines of communications they not only serve the U.S. Air Force, R.A.F. and British Army units in this area, but also the ground combat units using these lines of communication. Furthermore, they are doing work which can best be done effectively only by Italian troops as their dealings are mainly with Italian nationals or those posing as Italians.

Roland Birnn

ROLAND BIRNN,
Colonel, AC,
Commanding.

1 Incl:
List of duty assignments.

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For Action

TO AAI

(W) For Information (INFO)

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put relieved by 3rd Marine Bn to assemble

P.S.S. «A» (5000 pads of 100) 11-48.

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MESSAGE FORM

TOO 26 1410 B 1573

From MMIA

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To AMG FOGGIA PROVINCE rptd AAFAC AAI

SD796 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Your FP/1 of 25 May (*) FIRST (*) MMIA rep visited you and AAFAC on 16 May to clear up this matter and was promised certain details by AAFAC which have not yet arrived (*) SECOND (*) Ref 500 rfts refer my G/13/29 of 28 Mar to AAFAC (*) THIRD (*) NO rpt NO Italian Tps can be supplied without authority of AAI (*) FOURTH (*) Request you apply to AAI for authority to retain 107 Territorial Bn and provision of rfts (*) FIFTH (*) AAI 3074/A(O) of 30 March to all concerned refers

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Brampton Lt Col (—)

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 6/26

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FROM (A) Originator: AMG FOSSIA PROVINCE | Date-Time of Origin: 251445

For Action.

MMIA LEQUILE LE CCC

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

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FIRST @ 107 territorial bn wholly empt
oyed on essential operational duties FOSSIA PROVINCE
in addition have been reinforced by 91 CCRR for
guard duties who must be relieved before harvest@
SECUND@ The italian corps request official application
for employment of this unit by ALLIED FORCES@
THIRD@ 9th italian corps with drawing 70 of 106 bn
now attached 107 bn who cannot be spared@
FOURTH@ 9th Italian corps agreed 15 FEB Reinforce
107 bn if 700 men who have not yet arrived@

Originator's No
FP/1

FIRST ◎ 107 territorial bn wholly employed on essential operational duties FOSSIA PROVINCE in addition have been reinforced by 91 CCRR for guard duties who must be relieved before hvreat◎

SECOND◎ The italian corps request official application for employment of this unit by ALLIED FORCES ◎

THIRD◎ 9th italian corps withdrawing 70 of 106 bn now attached 107 bn who cannot be spared◎

FOURTH◎ 9th Italian corps agreed 15 FEB reinforce 107 bn with 500 men who have not yet arrived on ~~Em~~position be regularised withdrawn be cancelled and reinforcements sent as soon as possible

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO MMIA

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FROM AAI	Originator's Number SD 1989	Date —	In Reply to Number —

RESTRICTED Will shortly require bn for GD duties for EIGHTH ARMY DCan internal Security roles produce O/ If not suggest nominated

Air Force

ARDITI BN

Jan 22/5

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Co censura 104 Fu Cocune

Cyclamate, suggest we tell

AAFAC & wire AAF

for regularization of the position.

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Amer affiliate

for GC BIRNN

GI 21/5

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Hq G1 :

Visit to Foggia B-17 Maj.

G-1(L) hq
Prot.

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52 A.A. Bde

The Commander was thinking of employing Italians to man and maintain dummy guns for the purpose of deceiving the enemy when 12 By AA sites at present armed with 3.7" guns, are evacuated. After discussion he decided to abandon the project.

Allied Air Force Area Command.

1. Colonel Burns, the commander, was in Cairo the Chief of staff has just returned to New York, and the present Chief of staff, Colonel Jacobs, knows little about the Italians and wanted to wait until Colonel Burns's return, about 20 May, before taking any decisions.

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2. I visited 107 Territorial Battalion, the only Italian Army unit in the district. This Battalion is part of IX Corps d'Armata. Locally it is under Sottozona P, its Italian area H.Q. at San Severo. Colonel BOZZA, a Carabinieri officer, commands the Sottozona and has Carabinieri and Italian Air Force Troops under his command as well. The Commander of 107 Battalion is Lt/Col Frigiano Vittorio.

P.T.O.

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3 Hq present strength of 107 Battalion Otis Officers 3 O. ; OR 2, 2

they provide guard detachments at the following places.

	No of men used for guards.
D. I. D. Foggia	13
Forge Dump Foggia	11
REME Workshop Sans Cafiola	8
D. I. D. Africana	8
Vehicle Park, Lucera	15

In a few days' time they will take over guard duties at 5 Bridges, 10 men being required for each bridge.

4. Hq Bn is not definitely under command of any Allied unit. Colonel Briggs flies from Colonel Bimm at Foggia to Lt/Colonel Briggs AMG Lucera and rhapsodises over the wonderful courtesy with which he is everywhere received by the Anglo-Americans.

5. I explained to AAFAC that it would be necessary to request AAI that the Bn should be put under its command and also to apply to them for any increase in personnel. AAFAC will write to us or Colonel Bimm in return stating this requirements. They will be requesting an increase

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inc personnel and also an allotment of 35 hors for mounted patrols. His reasons are

Personnel

500 infantry were originally asked for. Col Birrer did not follow this up. Reinforcements are now required because it is desired to relieve mounted patrols on coast guard duties and to relieve Colonel Biggs, AMG Libya, and it is very unwise that these Carabinieri should be withdrawn. At present they work under AAFAC.

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Horses

Col Birrer wanted 300 horses to provide mounted patrols in Tripolitania and against saboteurs or black marketeers who might operate from small boats along the coast. These patrols are also considered indispensable by Col Biggs AMG who is afraid of discontent among the Carabinieri, owing to low wages, which may lead to sabotage. Col. Birrer told Col Biggs to ask Italian authorities for these horses. SMAE replied (ref 3668/Mob) that the local Allied HQ would have to apply to the Army Sub. Commission. AAFAC will write and this but I told them that meanwhile will see if the horses are

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Available and location earmarked.

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Message Instructions — GR

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Reference's No.

Unclassified ⊙ SMRE has been informed by Bussi that AMG Naples has asked for 300 Italian soldiers to take over guard of petrol points so that CARABINIERI can be returned to police duties ⊙ Bussi does not have 300 soldiers available to place on this duty ⊙ Please inform AMG such request should be made to AAI and if directed by AAI then we can form a unit for this purpose ⊙

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Such a unit must be placed under command some tactical formation and necessary billets arranged by the latter.

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UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

SEGRETO

SD/18/147

N. 4044/Mob. di prot. P.M. 151, 17 maggio 1944

OGGETTO: servizio protezione impianti.-
V.P. Guardia Civica.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (A.C.C.)

LECCE

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Il comando FF.AA. Campania comunica che il Governo Militare Alleato di Napoli ha richiesto la costituzione, con militari del R.Esercito, di circa 300 carabinieri impiegati in servizi di sorveglianza a cavi telefonici Alleati ed opere ferroviarie; e ciò allo scopo di restituirli alle specifiche loro funzioni di polizia.

Quanto sopra si rappresenta affinchè codesta Sottocommissione voglia autorizzare tale costituzione che verrebbe attuata con l'impiego di un apposito reparto da costituire in conto A.A.-

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Translation on reverse. will be typed in letter portion on future cables

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SUBJECT: V.P. Guard

HQ Armed Forces of CAMPANIA state that A.M.G. NAPLES has asked for Italian Army personnel to replace about 300 Carabineers employed on guard duties on Allied telephone installations and railway works. These Carabineers would return to their special police duties.

The above is forwarded in order that authority be granted by this Sub Commission for this replacement which would be carried out by employing a special unit to be formed for this purpose.

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Trasmissione per Calabria

AT COMANDO XXXI CARI

N° 3515/ORD ALT SUPERSERGITO ORDINAMENTO AIM COSTITUIRE ENTRO 25 CORRENTE COMPAGNIA SU ORGANICI SOTTARI SEI UFFICIALI ET OTTOCENTOQUARANTA SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA (.) NOMINATIVO 550^ COMPAGNIA GUARDIA TRENI (.) PERSONALE TRATTO DA RIMANENZA 80° BTG. TERRITORIALE ED DA FANTERIA DEPOSITO 16° FANTERIA (.) CURARE BENE EQUIPAGGIAMENTO ET INQUADRAMENTO REPARTO CHE AVRA' AUTONOMIA AMMINISTRATIVA (.) CONSIDERARE URGENZA PARTICOLARE COSTITUZIONE ET INVIO SUL LUOGO CUI COMPAGNIA PASSERA' DIPENDENZE (.) COMUNICATE AVVENUTO APPRONTAMENTO (.) ORGANICI PARTICOLAREGGIATI ET PRESCRITTI DATI PER SANZIONE AIM SUPERSERGITO ORDINAMENTO = 1230170544 =

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