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S/SD/30 ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS

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28 Nov 44.

REPORT ON STATE OF TRAINING OF FRIULI COMBAT GROUP
AS AT 20 NOV 44

3. Quality of Personnel

(a) The Commander and HQ Staff of the Gruppo appeared to me to be quite competent. The General has considerable fighting experience, and has put much more drive into assembling and training the formation than was formerly the case. His senior staff officers strike me as quite efficient. They worked well as a team on a staff exercise in the problems of moving the Division on a mechanised basis through a British area.

(b) The senior officers are mostly regulars of satisfactory standard, and they have worked hard at training as far as they have gone. An outstanding weakness is over-centralisation in the hands of regimental commanders. The standard of battalion commander and below is not so good, and confidence at tactical training is lacking through their having been "out at grass" for over a year. OC BLU is trying hard to get battalion and company commanders and their equivalents allowed to exercise more individual control and improve themselves. The commander of the Artillery Regiment is reported on as somewhat below the standard of the infantry battalion commanders in that he has shown some reluctance to train in new methods opposed to his former ideas.

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(d) NCOs

From observation of the NCOs trained as instructors at our schools, and of their work during training, I have no hesitation in saying they are quite good material. There is a high proportion of regulars amongst those who have accepted jobs in lower ranks in order to get back to fighting. In some respects they appear to me at least as willing and capable of taking charge of their men in the field as our own present NCOs.

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(e) Rank and File

These appear to be excellent material, when given leadership. They have stood uncomfortable conditions cheerfully during training. They know how to look after themselves under such conditions until they get on the move at night when not so good. They need more practice at this. The average standard of intelligence is I think lower than with our own rank and file, but the standard of physical endurance and readiness to work long and patiently is certainly as good as with our own men. They picked up the handling of their new weapons quite well. They move across country fast and not stupidly; they show quite a fair knowledge of the use of ground. The accuracy of their rifle fire is poor, and the training of their snipers is not far advanced. They are very pleased with their battledress, and so far have managed to maintain a reasonably good turn out.

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2. BASIC TRAINING

(a) Weapons

Rifle Standard of musketry is weak. A good deal of work and ammunition has been expended on this, and they are improving, but they need all the extra rifle training for which time can be found. Care of arms needs constant attention by junior officers.

Bren The handling of the weapon mechanically is well understood. Firing with it is quite creditable. More training is required in its tactical use, and fire control.

2" Mortar They like this weapon and are reasonably efficient in its use. More emphasis on care and cleanliness is required in order to prevent stoppages. Training officers are busy about this. It appears to me there is a tendency often to use smoke where HK could be better.

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Artillery

Gun control is good. Battery routine in getting into position is fairly good.

Batteries are slow in getting on to the target, and control of fire is reported as "weak and ragged largely owing to lack of skill in maintaining certain intercommunication, and failure to decentralise"; although on the last regimental exercise this was reported as improving. Regimental concentrations have been fired with fair success, and batteries have fired frequently in support of infantry battalion exercises. Anti-tank and AA are both reported as good. The anti-tank battery put up a fine performance at the British School of Artillery.

3. EQUIPMENT

ET The early carious situation has been much improved by the incorporation of a number of skilled men obtained by MIA, and by long hours of intensive work by teams of instructors borrowed from Mechanics' School and Royal Artillery. Maintenance is weak but improving. Driving by the men who have been trained is quite fair, especially in convoy, and the fault of furious driving is less prevalent than with most Italian drivers. Before the Division is equipped to be completely mobile, a number more drivers should be trained, and we intend to do all we can at this at a Reinforcement Depot as soon as one can be established.

4. ENGINEERS They have been trained in Bailey Bridging, and in mine lifting and laying. Their work is satisfactory on the training ground, but they require opportunities for practical application under service conditions in co-operation with other troops. They are reported as less willing than the other arms to work hard at night or in bad weather. It is suggested that exercises should be held under these conditions.

5. SIGNALS Technically good. Care and maintenance appear to have been well learned. Here again driver training needs improving.

6. REPAIR Until the last week or so there was a serious lack of any personnel with previous technical training. This has now been largely made up, and they appear keen and very ready to tackle the normal jobs of LADs and group workshops with reasonable efficiency.

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(b) Care of Equipment As one had feared, their ideas on this fall well below the necessary standard. This has been tackled with energy by the training officers and they report that at present it is improving. It will, however, need constant care and checking when they are under the more difficult conditions forward. The Artillery were reported weak in this respect.

(c) Tactical Training How much of this was possible was necessarily determined largely by the time of receipt of G.1098 equipment. This was reasonably complete by the last week in October, by which time preliminary small-scale exercises had been carried out. The training has been confined generally to the directive agreed with AAI. Each unit has had two or more exercises in moving into and occupying a defensive posi-

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(d) All Arms Co-operating An outstanding weakness in this training has been, of course, the lack of time for such training in co-operation between all arms. Evidently the Italian Army had no idea of what we know as a fire plan.

Exercises on a battalion level with live ammunition and with 25-prs and anti-tank guns fired in co-operation, point the need for two or three more such exercises before they operate against Germans. HLU have hammered in this weakness, and in some cases have had time for "repeat" exercises, but I hope there will be time for still further repetition. I think the anti-tank layout needs improving, especially as the shooting of these guns is good.

(e) Patrolling

In addition to the above, a certain amount of training in patrolling has been done. The Italian Army was weak in this. Some improvement has been effected, and there is reasonable skill in the use of ground developing. Tighter control of fire during patrols is necessary, as well as stern repression of a tendency to use a spectacular shower of 77 grenades to solve any tactical problem of a patrol. The will to capture or kill silently in assault patrols needs some emphasis. Reconnaissance patrols need more practice but they are keen observers with good eyes.

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(c) A signal exercise in conjunction with the signals of a British formation. They are reported as technically good, but still weak on security and chattering.

(d) Continued efforts to train more MT drivers organised by the GSC II S & T of the BLU, who has put in much good work on this.

BLU

Lt Col SOUTHEY was a first-rate choice for this, and he has a very good team. They have worked very hard, and the Italians have confidence in them. They will, however, have much to do in the forward area apart from training, and I suggest the Trg Increment be left with them, if the Corps Commander agrees, certainly until they have had their first week in forward positions.

(Sgd) A.C. Kennington
Brig.,
D. I.T.

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From : USIA
To (For action) : Ministry of War
To (For info) : 51 HCU for 54 HCU.
AFHQ for 83 Org. rptd CE
DNT ADHAP
AAI for CE

Date - Time

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SS 425

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152 and 162 Field Engineer Companies earmarked for FICHH) are now at SAN GIORGIO
del SANGIO are will be placed temporarily under command MANTOVA and continue
training on equipment surrendered by GERMANY (.) Best locating with a view to
training will be selected by MANTOVA Comdr in conjunction with 54 BEV

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MINISTRY OF WAR

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*Am P to
Mantova*

SS 409

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On arrival in SAN GIORGIO area MANTOVA Group will be made up to W.E. plus 5% from personnel now in Reinforcements Depot TEAMC (.) Requests for personnel will be made by Group Comdr and will include specialists cwa but if these are not available units will be made up to strength with untrained men (.) Copy of such requests will be sent to SMRE with extra copy to be passed by SMRE to MMIA.

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28 NOV 1944

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MINISTRY OF WAR

RE: SICILY REGION AG for ALBERT MOIR LO

SS 1840

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Understand there are in SICILY 1084 volunteers for combat service
(*) Please arrange for their enrolment and concentration in SICILY soonest / (*)
Notify completion to this HQ so that onward routing to mainland may be
requested (*) Rations and items personal equipment will be issued
to these personnel on arrival at respective depots under your
arrangements

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SAC

TO : 51 BLU
DISTRICT 5

Info: AAI
MIA
MOVIT

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Following units will accompany CREMONA Group in
addition to 51 BLU and training team 44 ITALIAN
ED SURGICAL UNIT, 3 Offrs 23 OR 3 vehicles (.)
16 I AA Workshops (British) 1 Offr 51 OR 14
vehicles (.) 51 BLU will send representative to
MOVIT for detailed orders soonest

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FROM M.M.I.A.

TO MINISTRY OF WAR
207 Sub Area for GELARDI
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INFO AFHQ
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SS 395

SECRET

Reference our SS 387 of 23 November subject 5% reinforcements (.)
TRIULI and CREMONA will be made up in new area to W.E. plus 5%, and
10% for Engineer Units EXIL Signals (.). Deficiencies by arms and by
specialists will be reported earliest by BLUs to Reinforcements
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Trasporti for numbers under 50, and this HQ for larger parties (.).
For AFHQ and AAI (.). Future methods of communication Groups to Depot
to SMRE not under consideration (.). Recommendations follow.

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FROM MMLA
TO 50 HLU 51 HLU
INFO AFHQ AAI MINISTRY OF WAR
207 Sub Area for GELARDI

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SS 587

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In view training and present strength 5% reinforcements now
with Groups will accompany on move (.) If present move tables
do not permit of this they should be left in present area and
request made to AFHQ for move by rail (.) signal your action

IMMEDIATE to HLU

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FROM MMIA LO LEGNANO GRUPPO

TO HQ MMIA ROME

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Reinforcements now held by Depot are approximately 1800
owing to arrival of 548 repatriates from Taranto approx
900 expected ex FRIULI and CREMONA making total of 2700 (.)
Capacity of RTD IDF owing to lack of bivouacs is 2000 (.)
Following reinforcements earmarked but awaiting transport (150
to PICENO 120 for FRIULI 120 for drivers course BARI 130
for FOLGORE (.) I am expediting transport for FOLGORE and
FRIULI reinforcements (.) Request rail or road transport
for PICENO reinforcements and BARI course be expedite and
disposal instructions for proportion of remaining reinforce-
ments now held

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31 HLG 34 HLG

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Request for MANTOVA Sp to move to present MANTOVA area account
has been made by this HQ to AMHQ in order that direct take over
of accommodation and areas may be effected (.) Pending a reply
this HQ suggests that a few selected staff officers who must be self
contained in apt and cooking should move now to the new area
contacting Maj MORTON S/A 34 HLG or Cpt GERRIE BORN at PALMERS
HQ on arrival

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FROM: MOV DISTONE

TO : 5 ARMY FOR BR INC
REAR FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INC
37 BEACH GROUP
MAIN AAI
MMIA

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Ref MAIN AAI SD 1559 of 17th not to all (.) 11/RO/056

FRIULI COMBAT GROUP advance party vehicles 38 AQUILA

to AREZZO depart 20th 0645 ETA 1145 hrs (.) 20 mih

20 vtm (.) Routes 75 and 71 (.) Reporting 37 Beach

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FROM DISTHREE 191302
TO MMIA
INFO DISTHREE EAST 52 AREA 54 AREA 210 SUB AREA
MOVHIT AFHQ (G-3 ORG BRIT)

SD 251

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Ref MMIA SD1767 of 11 Nov and this HQ SD 167 of 14 Nov both
NOT to all (.) FIRST (.) This HQ above sig has been cancelled
(.) SECOND (.) 534 Spec Coy 518 Gd Bn is now deployed on GD
duties in 54 Area (.) Not available for Gd TARANTO (.) THIRD (.)
Proposed to retain coy 2 Bn 336 Regt until completion commitment

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Ref your signal EX 58992 date FIGDM of 17 Nov (.)

Request orders move MAINTENANCE GROUP to area now occupied

by MAINTENANCE GROUP under vide by 2/10/30 of 8 Nov (.)

This will enable direct hand over accommodations and

area to take place

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SUBJECT: Formation of Auxiliary Units
for Combat Groups.

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

S/SD/30
19 Nov 44

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TO : AFHQ.

1. Reference our S/G/29/26 of 26 October, the following auxiliary units for the Combat Groups have yet to be formed:

Units	WE's	Strength (each) Offrs ORs
3 General Transport Coys	NA 531/1 NA 533/1 NA 532/1 NA 539/1	9 323
1 Motor Ambulance Convoy (one out of the 3 platoons is formed from 1200 Amb Car Platoon)	VL/719/1 NA/532/1	7 260
"US" Adv Depot Medical Stores		1 7
4 Mobile Laundry & Bath Units	NA/612/1	3 63

All other units in the order of Battle for the "tail" are either formed or in the process of formation, as far as personnel is concerned. British equipment is being issued to the first third.

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2 and 3 G.T. Companies. To be formed by the Combat Groups Reinforcement Training Depot as drivers become trained and available, and assuming the plan outlined in MMIA S/G/29/10/A of 18 Nov is adopted.

(b) 1 Motor Ambulance Convoy

H.Q. and No 1 Platoon To be formed now under supervision FOLCORE Group from personnel of 1200 Ambulance Platoon.

No 2 and No 3 Platoons To be formed at the Reinforcement Training Depot as above, simultaneously with No 2 G.T. Company. (see above)

(c) "S" Adv Depot To be formed now at OSIMO under supervision 1 District from personnel already in Italian Medical Depot there.

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2. (d) Nos 1, 2, 3 and 4
Mobile Laundry and Bath
Units
Nos 1 and 2 to be formed now (if
equipment is available) at APPACOLA
under supervision 3 District.
Personnel to be provided by CMRE.
Nos 3 and 4 to be formed for 30
January under the same arrangements.

3. It is not desired to make the Groups and HLUs responsible for the formation of any more units than can be helped, as they have already an immense task.

4. It is emphasised that the formation of the G.T. Companies would be greatly eased if the G.T. Company requested in MMIA S/C/29/10/A of 18 Nov could work in conjunction with the Reinforcement Trg Depot.

5. The Reinforcement Trg Depot Italian Combat Force (although in theory part of the "Tail") has not been included in the above recommendations; it has already been formed on a provisional W.E. and after consultation with D.M.T. and (as explained in MMIA S/C/29/10/A of 18 November) will have to be taken more seriously now and given an adequate training staff and facilities for storage, transport and issue of equipment and clothing. It will also be necessary to decide on the best location of this Depot and its affiliated schools, preferably well forward to facilitate reinforcement of fighting units.

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SUBJECT: Combat Groups - Return of Surplus Italian Equipment.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
S/AQ/9
19 November 1944

1. The instructions issued by S. M. R. E., to implement this H.Q. letter S/AQ/9 dated 5 Nov, are forwarded herewith.
2. The disposal instructions for Signals equipment, and for vehicles are both being amended. Separate instructions are being issued to the Ministry of War by Sigs and ST this H.Q., regarding their disposal.

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REF:- 1/4827/Serv
Date:- 8 November '44

FROM:- S.M.R.E.

TO :- HQ Campania, Naples
Combat Groups HQs

SUBJECT:- Handing over of Italian Stores in excess in Combat Groups.

1. Herewith copy of MMIA letter S/42/9 dated 5th inst. in respect of Italian Stores on charge to Combat Groups, for action.

2. Instructions regarding the handing over of stores to HQ Campania are hereby confirmed; first verbally and then with letter 1/4584/Serv. dated 28 October '44.

It is reconfirmed that Italian stores in excess must be returned as under:-

- Commissariato Stores

To the Dires di Commissariato to Naples, which have arranged to receive the stores.

- Artillery Stores

To Direz. Art. Rome:- Instruments of precision
Small arms of Art. Regts.
Hand Grenades and pistol ammunition.
To Art. Detachment Gasta - Art. and Inf. Ammunition.
Small arms of Infantry & explosives.

- Genio

All Signal stores to Rome Genio stores.
All remaining stores to 10th Regt. Genio at S. Maria, Capua Vetere.

- Vehicles, Armoured trucks, Armoured cars etc.

Those inefficient, to Vehicle Park Naples.
Those efficient, to 8th center Repair and Recovery (Rome)

- Stores of remaining units

To Campania Depots.

3. Stores will have to be handed over by HQs Groups concerned prior to their departure and on date shown on MMIA letter attached. 309

In case "Friuli" Group cannot complete the handing over of stores within the 13th Nov. to various Depots as detailed in para 2 above, authority is given to the Group to hand over stores to the nearest Depot depending from HQ Campania after agreement is taken with same.

HQ Campania will then, and as soon as possible, send these stores to the various Depots to which "Friuli" Group had to hand over the stores.

4. MMIA instructions, ref. attached letter, will have to be carried out in respect of Vehicles, Tentage and Barrack stores.

5. It is strictly forbidden that Combat Groups take with them stores not on scales or in excess, especially to avoid unnecessary and harmful loads.

6. In case of difficulties in carrying out the above, these should be mentioned from time to time to this office by HQ Campania.

7. HQ Campania will please forward a confirmation in respect of the above, as groups leave their actual concentration areas.

S/ General A. SANTI.

CONFERENCE ON TRAINING OF ITALIAN
COMBAT GROUPS AND REINFORCEMENTS

H.Q. M.M.I.A. 1000 hrs Friday 17 November

AGENDA

1. Future Policy Organisation and Requirements Italian Combat Force.

2. The Ground Present situation equipment and training.

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(b) Assault Pioneer Sections.

5. Artillery Training

See Appendix 'C'

6. Provision and Training of Drivers

See Appendix 'D'

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See Appendix 'E'

8. Engineer Training

See Appendix 'F'

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11. Provost

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12. Handbooks and Diagrams

See Appendix 'G'

- (a) Present situation
- (b) Future policy

13. Training Terms - Policy

14. Directions

TRAINING EQUIPMENT PROPOSED FOR
REINFORCEMENT TRAINING DEPOT

180	Rifles	10 for each Infantry Platoon
18	Bren Guns	3 for each Infantry Company
18	T.M.C.	3 for each Infantry Company
6	PIAT Mortars	1 " " " "
18	2" Mortars	3 " " " "
12	3" Mortars	2 " " " "
12	6 pdr A/Tk Guns	2 " " " "
3	25 pdr Gun	)
1	17 pdr Gun	) for Artillery Reinforce-
1	40 mm Gun	) ments Battery
6	Lorries 3 ton GS	)
8	Motor Cycles	8 for each Drivers and Motor Cyclists Platoon

ARMED PERSONNEL FOR TRAINING GROUPS OF ARMS AND
AMMUNITION FOR TRAINING OF OFFICERS OF ARMS AND PISTOL GROUPS

(Scale of Arms used for by DMT in letter DM7/184/MT.2 of 12 Nov to Q(AE)
is shown in brackets)

This material will be required for use from 4 December.

<u>ARMS</u>			
Rifles	180	(70)	PIAT 5 (6)
Bren	11	(12)	3" Mortar 5 (6)
T.S. M.G.	11	(12)	
2" Mortar	11	(3)	

AMMUNITION

.303 MK VII SAA	33,000
.303 Tracer SAA	2000
.303 Practice Only	800

<u>2" Mortar</u>		<u>3" Mortar</u>	
H.E. Bombs	320	H.E. Bombs	320
Smoke Bombs	300	Smoke Bombs	320
Para Bomb	6	Inert Bombs	6
Signal Flare	6		
Inert Bombs	22		

<u>.45 T.S. M.G. A.M.O.</u>		<u>Rds. 7500</u>	
PIAT.	H.E. Bombs	225	36
	Practice shot	60	75
	Training Bombs	11	69
	Inert Bombs	11	77
			<u>Grenades</u>
			350
			20
			350
			220

T.S. M.G.

11

(12)

2" Mortar

11

(3)

AMMUNITION

.303 MK VII SAA 33,000

.303 Tracer SAA 2000

.303 Practice Only 800

2" Mortar

H.E. Bombs

320

Smoke Bombs

300

Para Flare

6

Signal Flare

6

Inert Bombs

22

3" Mortar

H.E. Bombs

320

Smoke Bombs

320

Inert Bombs

6

.45 T.S. M.G. A.M.O.

Rds. 7500

PLAT.

H.E. Bombs

225

Practice shot

60

Training Bombs

11

Inert Bombs

11

Ballistite Cartridges

440

Training Hand Grenade each type 160

Grenades

350

20

350

220

Dummy Grenades 33 of each type

Demolitions

Safety Fuse

1 box

10 yds

Cordage

1 box

10 yds

Detonators

240

Dry gun cotton primers

240

Wet gun cotton charges

240

Smoke generators

11

Aiming Rest

11

Bren Triped

6

The above request has been calculated on the number of students to be dealt with (60 officers and 100 N.C.O's)

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Provision of Drivers for Combat Groups.1. Information.

Present resources are inadequate for the provision and training of drivers for the Italian Combat Force.

2. Requirements up to 1 May 1945.

	Total No of drivers	Minimum Number required by mid-January
To complete TOLGORE and LEGNANO	700	700
To complete MANTOVA	1000	
To complete PICEM	1000	
3 G T Companies for Tail (260 each Coy)	780	520
HQ M.A.C. and 2 platoons	150	100
Miscellaneous tail units	20	20
Reinforcements (5% of total strength of drivers in Combat Force)	500	500
Wastage for casualties, desertion, sick, etc	500	
TOTAL	4,650	1,840

The above assumes that all 3 G T Companies for the "tail" will have to be formed, but it is anticipated that at any rate the first will be formed from existing units.

3. The Problem.

Present facilities are limited to the Groups themselves and the school at POLIGNANO which should turn out 140 drivers a month, all earmarked already for British services. It will be seen from para 2 that it is required to produce for the Groups some 2,000 drivers by mid-January and a further 2,000 at least by May 1st 1945.

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5. CONFERENCE

The above to be discussed at Training Conference 1000 hrs 17 Nov.

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Appendix "A"
Provision and Training of Mechanics and Artisans for Combat Groups

1. REQUIREMENTS.

	Motor Mechanics (170 per Group)	Armorer Mechanics (100 per Group)
(a) FRIULI	50	40
CREMONA	10	25
1/3 tail	25	--
1/3 reinforcements	20	10 resulting 50 holders
TOTAL	<u>105</u>	<u>75</u>
(b) LEGNANO	100	60
POLGOHE	50	40
1/3 tail	25	--
1/3 reinforcements	20	10
TOTAL	<u>195</u>	<u>110</u>
(c) MANTOVA	100	50
PICENO	120	50
1/3 tail	25	--
1/3 reinforcements	20	10
TOTAL	<u>265</u>	<u>60</u>
(d) Wastage up to 1 May 1945	60	30 estimated at 5% of total or 1 1/2 per month.
GRAND TOTAL	<u>625</u>	<u>275</u>

2. PRESENT PROGRAM.

Allows for no basic mechanical training. Courses arranged for MANTOVA and PICENO (50 mechanics each 12 ABW) are for mechanics already included in the Groups, who would be able to train a certain number on return to their units.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS.

- A full statement to EAL Br AFHQ.
- Step up training of mechanics at ABW's to at least 100 per month.
- Get the Ministry of War to start Basic Mechanical Training in Italian or Civilian workshops now for men who would go to ABW after six weeks or two months.

APPENDIX 'A'SECRET

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
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S/X521

15 Nov 44

Appreciation of Signals Training for Italian Groups.1. OBJECT.

The object of this appreciation is:-

- (a) to show the method of training Signals personnel, regimental included, up to W.E. in the Groups.
- (b) to show the requirements of Signals personnel to maintain the Groups.

2. TRAINING UP TO W.E.

- (a) The present procedure is to select men who are already basically trained and to give them refresher training on British stores either in the Italian Signal School or within the Groups.
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- (c) This procedure is satisfactory as long as there is a sufficient number of basically trained men available. It is possible that there will be insufficient basically trained men to provide reinforcements.

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- (a) basic training should be commenced as soon as possible, particularly as no men in the more difficult trades can be expected before APR 45.
- (b) an overall lower wastage figure will have to be accepted, unless very considerable increases of accommodation stores, technical stores, training and admin. staff are made at the School.

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SIGNAL TRAINEES IN ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS.

TRAINEE	Total one Group	Total six Groups	Suggested reduction	Reduced total six Groups.	Wastage per month at 3%	Duration of Course in months (basic training) X monthly wastage	= total at one time
Operators Wireless	89	534	-	534	17	4 x 17	68
Operators Line	39	234	-	234	8	4 x 8	32
Switchboard Operators	15	90	-	90	3	4 x 3	12
Linenmen	43	258	-	258	8	3 x 8	24
Instrument Mechanics	16	96	-	96	3	6 x 3	18
Electrician Signals	11	66	-	66	2	6 x 2	12
Regt. Ops. Arty.	216	1296	432	864	27	3 x 27	81
Regt. Ops. Inf.	228	1368	-	1368	45	3 x 45	135
Regt. Linemen, Arty. Inf.	250	1500	375	1125	36	2 x 36	72
Subd Ops. Arty. Inf.	83	498	-	498	16	3 x 16	48
TOTALS	990	5940	807	5133	183		502

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SIGNAL TRADES IN ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS.APPENDIX 'A' to M.M.I.A.
letter S/X521 of 16 Nov 44.

	Total six Groups	Suggested reduction	Reduced total six Groups.	Wastage per month at 3%	Duration of Course in months (basic training) X monthly wastage	= total at School at one time	Add 5% for normal wastage and rejects in training	INTAKE
39	534	-	534	17	4 x 17	68	71	$\frac{1}{2}$ every month
39	234	-	234	8	4 x 8	32	34	$\frac{1}{2}$ every 2 months
5	90	-	90	3	4 x 3	12	13	total every 4 "
3	258	-	258	8	3 x 8	24	26	" " 3 "
6	96	-	96	3	6 x 3	18	19	" " 6 "
1	66	-	66	2	6 x 2	12	13	" " 6 "
6	1296	432	864	27	3 x 27	81	85	$\frac{1}{3}$ every 1 month
8	1562	-	1368	45	3 x 45	135	142	$\frac{1}{3}$ " " "
0	1500	375	1125	36	2 x 36	72	76	$\frac{1}{2}$ " " "
33	498	-	498	16	3 x 16	48	51	$\frac{1}{3}$ " " "
0	5940	807	5133	183		502	530	

Appendix "G"

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1. Battery maintenance
2. Waverley Class D
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7. Lines and Doby Traps

SMALL ARMS

8. Application of Fire n 2
9. Rifle Training n 4
10. 2nd Quarter n 8
11. 3rd Quarter n 9
12. Pistol CS n 11
13. Bayonet n 12
14. Grenades n 13
15. Thompson Machine Carbine n 21
16. PIAT n 24

ARTILLERY

1. Rules for the training of Div. Arty Regts with new British material.
2. Concentrations of observed fire

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6. Bailey Bridge

7. Lanes and Booby Traps

SMALL ARMS

8. Application of Fire	n 2
9. Dead Hand	n 4
10. 2" mortar	n 6
11. 3" mortar	n 9
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3. Preparation for opening fire
4. Calibration
5. Employment of base ejection - smoke and chemical shell.

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2. A.B. 418 (Vehicle 1-1)
3. A.B. 400 (Monthly inspection)

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1. Bren Light Machine Gun
2. Bren Firing Position Anti-Aircraft
3. Bren Firing position
4. Bren Firing position from a Trench
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6. Correct aim

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SMALL ARMS

7. Rifle
8. Season Training Pt I
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3. Maintenance Q.F. 6 pdr 7 cwt Mk 2 and IV on carriage 1943

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4. Handbook Q.F. 40mm Mk I
5. 40 mm General
6. Gun Drill 40 mm
7. A. Vol IV Pl^o A.A. Gunner Pamphlet
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3. Charging set 1260 watt
4. Signal Training 9 Set

SMALL ARMS

S.A.F. Range Course

N.B. Revised list of pamphlets in process of printing and translation to be issued by SARE on approx Nov 19th.

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APPENDIX 'H'
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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

A. REINFORCEMENT TRAINING DEPOT
WAR ESTABLISHMENT

1. The Depot will comprise:-

Depot H.Q.

2 Infantry Battalion H.Qs.

1 Mixed Battalion H.Q.

2. Only the Depot permanent staff are included in the Establishments.

3. The Reinforcements will be organised as follows:

Three Battalions

No 1 Battalion - Infantry
No 2 Battalion - "
No 3 Battalion - Mixed

Total - All Ranks

1900
1900
1900

5700

TOTAL

Each Battalion - Three Coys

Nos 1 and 2 Bns - 6 Coys L.S.
one per Group

Total - All Ranks

No 3 Battalions: No 1 Company - Artillery 450
No 2 " " 450
No 3 " - Eng 300
Sigs 150
Mech 150
No 4 " - Misc 400

TOTAL 1900

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(i) Personnel

DETAIL	OFFICERS	W.O's	SERGEANTS	CORPORALS	PRIVATEES	TOTAL
Depot Commander (Colonel)	1					1
Adjutant (Major or Captain)	1					1
Orderly Officer	1					1
<u>H.Q. Platoon</u>	1					1
Platoon Commander (Subaltern)						
<u>Clerical Section</u>		1	2	2	3	6
Chief Clerk						1
Clerks						7
Orderlies (incl 2 D.Rs.)						6
<u>Administrative Section</u>			3	1		4
Clerks for Pay and Accounts				1		1
Medical Orderly				1		1
General Duties (incl Cooks)					9	9
<u>M.T. Section</u>			1		4	5
M.T. Sergeant						
Drivers						
General Duties						
	4	1	6	4	31	46

Motor cycles, solo	2
Cars, 4 seater, 4 x 2	1
Trucks, 15-ton, C.S.	2
Trucks, 15-ton, Water	1
Motorcycles, 5-ton, C.S.	5

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

AN INFANTRY BATTALION HEADQUARTERS OF A REGIMENT TRAINING DEPOT

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(1) Personnel

DETAIL	OFFICERS	W.O's.	SERGEANTS	CORPORALS	PRIVATEES	TOTAL
Battalion Commander (Lt-Col or Major)	1					1
Adjutant	1					1
Clerical Section						1
Chief Clerk		1		1	2	3
Clerks					1	1
Orderly						
Administrative Section						
Clerks for Pay and Accounts			1	1		2
Accountant				1		1
Medical Orderly				1		1
General Duty Men					5	5
M.T. Section						
Vehicle Mechanic			1			1
Drivers					3	3
General Duty Men					3	3
TOTAL	2	1	2	4	14	23

(11) Transport

Motor Cycles, solo - 2
Car, 2-seater, 4 x 2 - 1
Lorries, 3-ton, G.S. - 1
Trucks, 15-cwt, Water - 1

NOTE: The Establishment for a Mixed Battalion Headquarters is the same except that 4 officers are included instead of 2.

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SUBJECT:- Progress Reports on Italian Combat Gps

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'A' RE REME
'Q' 'X' Pro
Q(AE) ST HQ Inf

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1. In order that HQ AAI may be kept constantly informed of the state of trg and readiness for battle of the LEGNANO, FOLGORE and MANTOVA Combat Gps it is requested that AFHQ, MMIA and DMT forward periodically progress reports on equipment, organisation and trg as shown at Appendices 'A', 'B' and 'C' attached.

2. VIAREGGIO and CREMONA Gps

- (a) The state of eqpt of these Gps is known to AAI.
- (b) MMIA are requested to report on both Gps showing posn at 20 Nov on lines of Appendix 'B'. 3079
- (c) DMT is requested to report on the state of trg reached by both Gps and to make recommendations on the trg which should be carried out in the Op Zone prior to the Gps being committed to ops.

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General,
Commander in Chief.

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Appendix 'A' to 1605/50/73/G(SD1)
dated 17 Nov 44

PROGRESS REPORT BY AFHQ ON EQUIPMENT

.....COMBAT GP

State as at

(To be rendered in duplicate to LMI showing posn on 1st, 10th and 20th each month).

PART I

Serial	Item (Controlled Stores & Vehs) (a)	W. E. (b)	Held or Released (c)	Deficient (d)	Estimated Date of Release of Items in Coln (d) (e)
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PART II

General State of Non-Controlled Stores and Housekeeping Items
(incl razor blades, bivouacs etc).

and estimated date of completion.

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Appendix 'B' to
1605/50/73/G(SDL)
dated 17 Nov 44

PROGRESS REPORT BY NMIA ON ORGANISATION OF PERSONNEL OF

..... COMBAT GP STATE AS AT

(To be rendered in duplicate to AMI and AFHQ showing posn
1st, 10th and 20th each month)

PART I - General state of organisation by arms

(to include - per centago strength each arm;
anticipated date of completion;
any special difficulties;
assistance it is considered AFHQ and AMI can give.)

PART II - Specialists and Tradesmen

Type of
personnel
(a)

W.E.
(b)

Numbers trained
and held
(c)

Deficient
(d)

Action being taken
to make up defi-
encies and antici-
pated date of
completion
(e)

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Appendix 'C' to 1605/50/73/G(SB1)
dated / 7 Nov 44

PROGRESS REPORT BY DMT ON TRG

OF COMBAT GP AS AT...

(to be rendered in duplicate to AFHQ and LMI
showing posn at 1st, 10th and 20th each month)

- PART I - General Progress made to date in each arm
- PART II - State of trng of specialists and tradesmen
- PART III - Balance of programme to be completed
- PART IV - Courses and special trng completed
- PART V - Any special difficulties encountered e.g. trng areas, trng amn.

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To :- G(Internal).
Ufficio Trasporti.

From :- Nov. L.O. (MATA).

19 Nov 44

R 2/11

Move of Friuli Combat Group.

Herewith copy of MOV ROME signal Mov 432 dated 19 Nov 44.

FROM MOV ROME.

TO MOV DISTONE.
(INFO) DISTONE. MATA. MOV 5 ARMY BR INC. AAI.
AND CITE HIGH.

MOV 432 (.) SECRET (.) Move of FRIULI COMBAT GROUP (.)
Convoy BN/11N/2012 Adv Party 38 vehs 24 m/cz dep ROME
190800 for BOLENHO BTA 1530 (.) Rep ahead MOV DISTONE.
for onward routing to 37 Beach Group AREZZO (.) 20 min
20 vtm (.) Route R3 (.) Authority AAI SD1559 of 17.

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S/Sec etc
S/50/30 info
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Capt R.E.
Mov. L.O.

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TO : -G(Internal).
SCORE (Internal).
Ufficio Trasporti.
Float File.

From : Nov. L.O. (MIA).

19 Nov 44.

105
S/SJ/30

Move of reinforcements.

I give below copy of MOV BRINDISI signal MOV1/181844 dated 18 Nov44

FROM MOV BRINDISI.

TO 56 AREA. MOV VAIRANO. MOVWIT. DISTHREE. MOV DISTHREE. MMIA.
MOVWIT. MOV BARI. MOV FOGGIA. MOV PARI.

MOV1/181844 (.) RESTRI TED (.) Italian personnel move by rail from 47
RPT DEPOT LECCE in 6 box as follows to RPT DEPOT for COMBAT GROUPS at
PIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE H3206, 55, to I REGT DEL GENIO at SANTA MARIA CAPE,
133 (.) Dep LECCE 200630 dep BRINDISI 1144 arr BARI 1857 dep 2708 arr
BIVIO CERVARO 0324 dep 0330 ETA CAPUA Midday 21 ETA VAIRANO 18 21 (.)
Request MOVWIT arrange feeding BRIVENTO approx 211000 (.) Authority
DISTHREE SD 95 (.) AFHQ signal 081748 not to all refers.

Capt RE
Nov. L.O.

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17 November 1944

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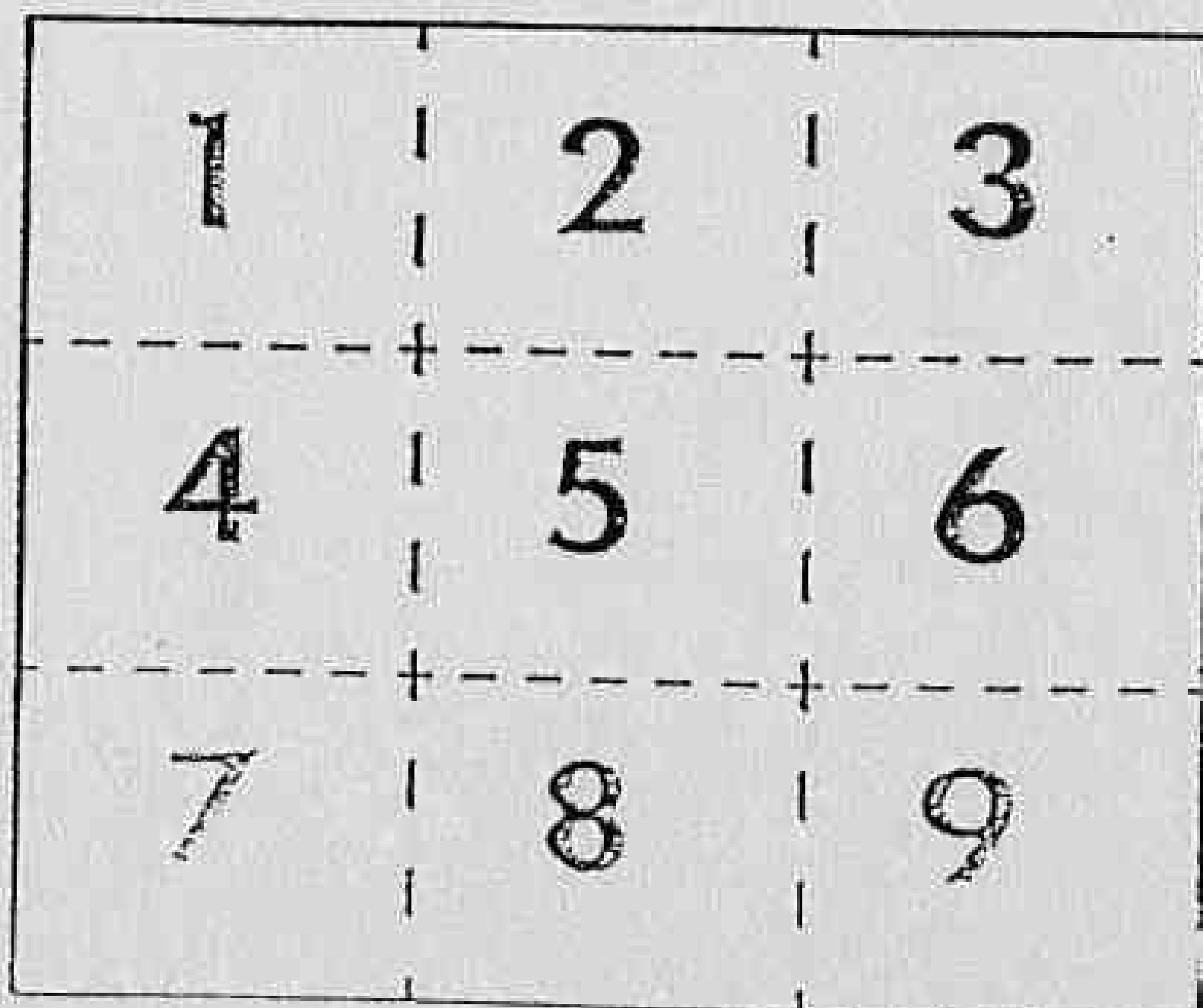
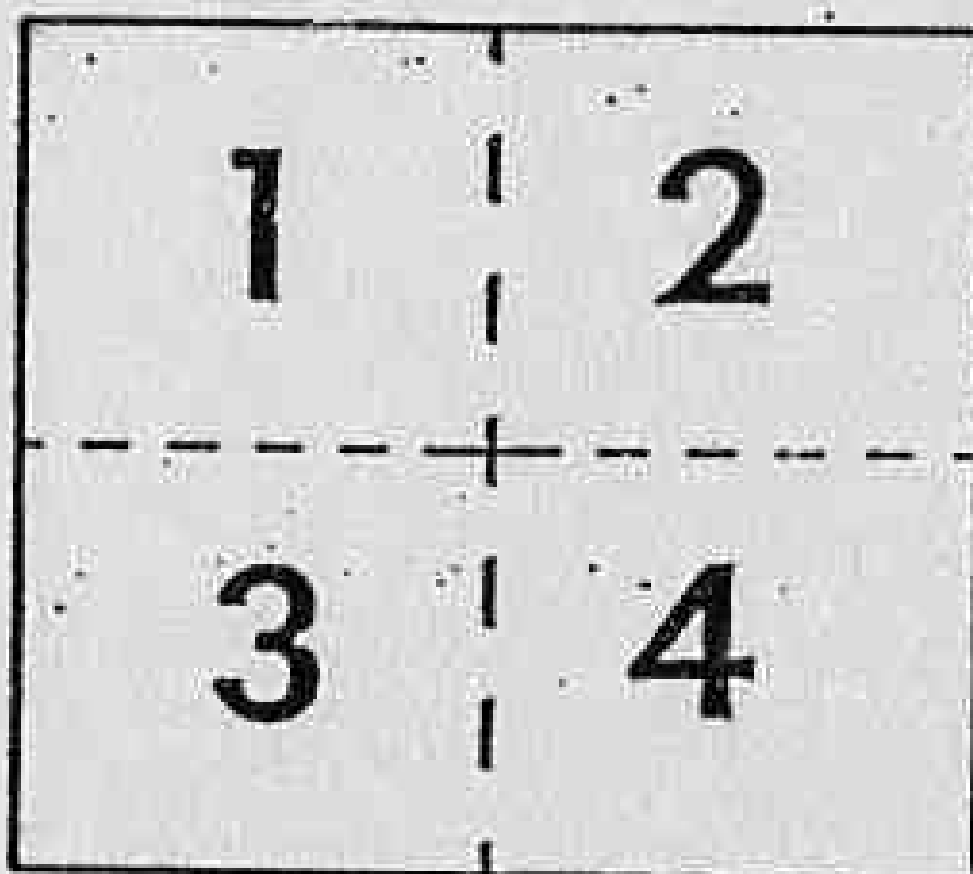
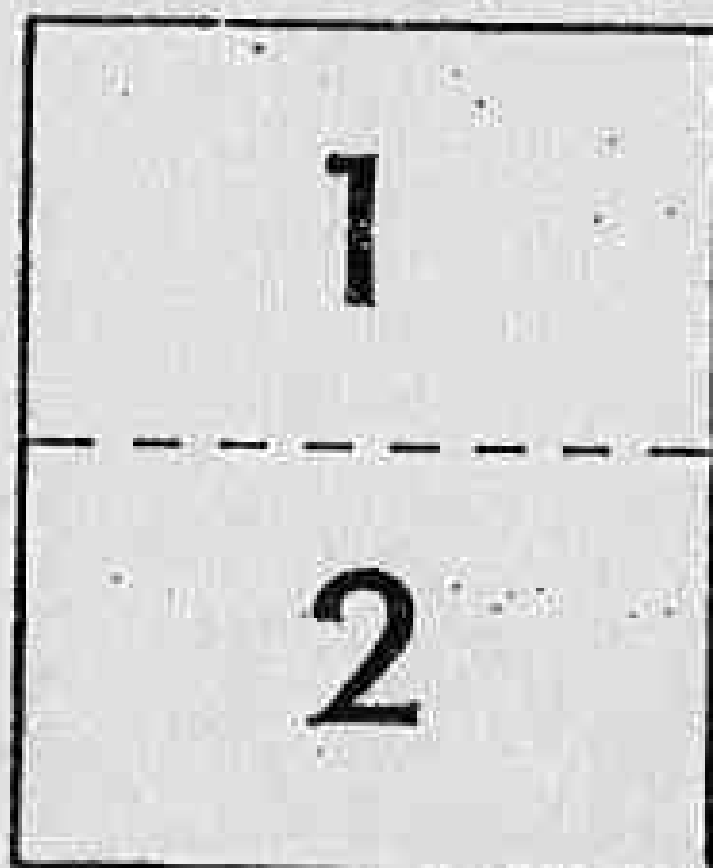
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MAPS AND CHARTS TOO LARGE TO FILM
ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



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DIMOSTRAZIONE ARRUOLAMENTI VOLONTARI

DISTRETTO (Military District)	DOMANDE RICEVUTE (Requests Received)	VOLONTARI RITENUTI IDONEI (Visita medica ed informazioni CC.RR. favorevoli) (Volunteers found Fit for Duty ((Med. inspection and CC.RR. Information))											
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MESSINA	455	3	4	10	3	6	5	4	17	16	25	10	
CATANIA	952	4	8	19	8	8	8	7	11	20	20	30	
AGRIGENTO	299	2	2	3	3	2	2		5	7	7	11	
TRAPANI	95	1	1	-	-	1	1	2	2	5	2	3	
SIRACUSA	113	1	-	3	3	-	2	-	-	4	3	4	
RAGUSA	69	2	3	2	-	1	2	-	4	7	-	5	
ENNA	175	-	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	
CALTANISSETTA	604	3	6	9	7	4	2	4	12	19	11	23	
<u>TOTALI</u>	2968	16	27	46	30	24	23	18	55	80	76	106	

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in data
Mil L...

ed informazioni CC.RR. favorevoli all'interessato.

1. Inspection and CC.RR. Information favourable)

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SIRACUSA	153	1	-	3	3	-	2	-	-	4	3	4
RAGUSA	69	2	3	2	-	1	2	-	4	7	-	5
ENNA	175	-	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-
CALTANISSETTA	604	3	6	9	7	4	2	4	12	19	11	23
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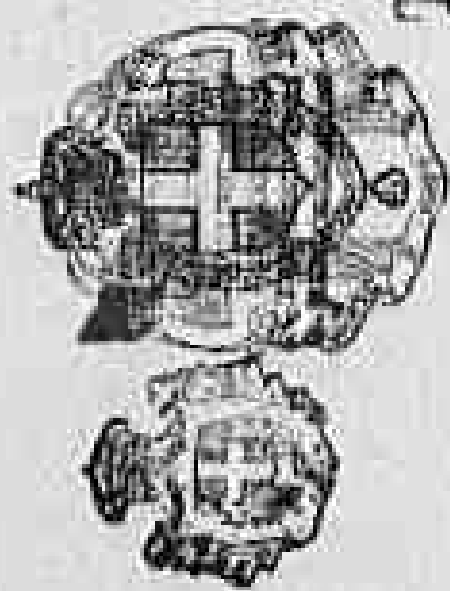


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8	5	56		39			95	
1	-	31	(1) 1	21	60		113	(1) Idoneo (Fit for Duty)
6	1	45	(1) 10	14			69	(1) Idonei (Fit for Duty)
1	1	20	(1) 5	17	118	15	175	(1) Le domande sono in corso di istrusione (requests are being examined)
43	60	287	*29 (1)	164	81	43	604	(1) Le domande sono in corso di istrusione (Requests are being examined)
25	105	1064	139 (1) (2)	498	1209	53	2968	(1) Di cui 87 in attesa consenso paterno (of which 87 awaiting consent of parents) (2) Di cui 45 idonei (of which 46 Fit) " " 93 con pratica in corso di istrusione (93 requests being examined)

Total Fit $\frac{46}{1110}$ including 46 Fit Parolees





MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto

TU/ba.

Prot. N° 304702/C.A. *Allegato*
316-IV-4

Roma, 18 novembre 1944

Risposta al filel

Avviamento 300 complementi ad Afragola per 119° reggimento -

OGGETTO:

Group of 300 for 119 Regt

ALLIA LAND FORCES SUE COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

1944

Sd/30

Riferimento SD/1760 del 9 corr.-

In data 12 corrente è stato telegraficamente disposto che 300 complementi del deposito addestramento complementi per gr. combatt. siano urgentemente avviati ad Afragola, con automezzi del gruppo Iegnano, quali complementi per il II Btg. del 119° reggimento.-

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(Gen. G.B. Oxilia) 3071

R. your SD/1760 dated 9th. inst.

Orders were issued by telegraph on the 12th. inst. for 300 rpts. from Rpts Training depot for combat groups to be immediately sent to Afragola by Iegnano group vehicles as per the 119th. Inf. Regt.

ALA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

1911

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Subject :- Movement of FRIULI.

From : Movements L.O. MMIA.

To : G. (2 Copies)

Ufficio Trasporti.

Float File.

Copy of FREEDOM cite FHGDM signed SACMED signal FX 53992 dated 17 Nov. is given below :-

From FREEDOM cite FHGDM. signed SACMED.

To (Action) MOVWIT (Info) Main AAI. 5th Army. 50 BLU. 37 B ??

DISTHREE. 56 AREA. MMIA. DISTONE. MOV ROME. RAAC. DMRI ROME.

FX.53992 S E C R E T.

Movement FRIULI Combat Group BENEVENTO to ASSISI 20th-26 Nov is subject.

Total strength 430 Officers 8412 ORs plus Unit Stores. 1213 vehicles including 223 light trucks. Rail party consisting 3800 personnel 150 tons stores, 223 light tracked vehicles will move under arrangements MOVWIT as follows. One train personnel 760 all ranks 30 tons stores and one train trucks depart daily BENEVENTO 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th Nov. Bde personnel move in 1 train 26th Nov. Remainder group move by road earliest. Priority being given to 3 tonners doing shuttle service.

Independent advertisement column marching through ROME on either 22nd, 23rd, or 24th Nov agreed. Arrangements by MOVWIT and MOV ROME in conjunction with Unit Representative to contact NOVWIT immediately to arrange final detail.

Capt. RE
Movements Liaison Officer.

Distn S/SO/30 2/12/30
S/SO/50
S/SO/13/3
S/SO/4/6

B2

Special Section.
Ufficio Trasporti.
Float File.

WP

18 Nov 44

Move of Priuli.

I give below copy of MAIN AAI signal SD1559 dated 17 Nov 44.

FROM MAIN AAI.

TO AFHQ.
(INFO) MILA. CG FIFTH ARMY FOR BR ID. REAR FIFTH ARMY FOR BR ID.
DISTONE.

SD 1559 (.) SUBJECT (.) Ref by SD 1542 of 15 Nov (.) FIRST (.) Request
order move PRIULI COMBAT GROUP as follows (.) SECOND (.) Five per cent
advance parties to 37 BEACH GROUP ANZIO (.) By SD 1 of 16 Nov not to all
refers (.) THREE (.) Road portion from SAN GIORGIO N77 to RADIA 08757
starting 20 Nov with maximum number load carriers in early convoys (.)
Independent column through ROMA as in MILA SD145 of 16 Nov not to all (.)
FOURTH (.) Rail parties 3000 personnel 223 Carriers 150 tons stores from
BRIENNETO to ASSISI in two trains daily leaving 22 23 24 25 Nov one
train leaving 26 Nov with not more than one personnel train per day (.)
Onward move from ASSISI to RADIA Concentration Area under arrangements BR.
THE FIFTH ARMY in conjunction with 1 DISTRICT (.) FIFTH (.) On arrival
Group comes under command FIFTH ARMY for 15 CORPS.

Dist. S/SD/30 ~~14/40~~
SD/50 1-6
SD/3/3
S/50 AK

Wesley
Capt. R.S.
Nov. 18, 44

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5/53/30 100

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EMIA

MAIN AAI

FREEDOM

~~AAI~~ AQ 2230

RESTRICTED

REFER AAI/AI/AR 7000 OF 16 NOV (.) HALF OF BLANKETS SECURED FROM
SARDINIA ARE AVAILABLE FOR BR-ITIS (.) DO YOU REQUIRE EXTRA BLANKETS
TO BE ISSUED COMBAT GROUPS NOW OR TO MULE UNITS NOW IN COMBAT ZONE?
QUERY (.) QUANTITY ESTIMATED DUE FROM SARDINIA IS 15,000 NOW FOLLOWED
BY 25,000

Internal Dist:

"G"
S.S.

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- STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO -
Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Artiglieria

SITUAZIONE DEI MORTAI DA 81 EFFICIENTI ALLA DATA DEL 17 NOVEMBRE 1944

Direz. Art. di Taranto	Direz. Art. Cosenza	Direz. Art. Napoli	14° Artigl. - Bari -	207° Regg. Pz. - Catanzaro -	Note
4	3	34	10	11	22%

19 nov.

Total 62

GI - Info phoned to Lt Col MACKAY

Philpot 211.

RET

File 5/50/30

3001

20th Nov.

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C O P Y

FROM: MMIA

TO : MMIA LO 54 AREA

151730A

INFO: MINISTRY OF WAR

SD 1789

SECRET

Ref this HQ letter G/3 of 8 Nov (para 1 (d)) subject
disbandment AA and CD (.) 1331 specialist rfts BR-ITIS
will now be dealt with as follows (.) ONE (.) 665 personnel
will join PICENO Div soonest (.) Notify this HQ when available
and give location (.) TWO (.) Balance of 666 will be concentrated
at TRANI Camp earmarked for MANTOVA Div (.) Notify completion
to this HQ.

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED J. M. INGLEDEW
Lt. Col.

Copy to: A/Q
Spec Sec

WS

3026

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To :- G(Internal).
Special Section.
Ufficio Trasporti.
Float File.

From :- Nov. L.O. (MIA).

17 Nov 44.

5/50/30

R 18

Move of personnel taking part in
March through ROME.

Following is copy of AFHQ signal FX 55701 dated 17 Nov 44.

FROM AFHQ GIVE MESSAGE signed SACRED.

TO 50 BLU.
(INFO) MAIN AAI. MIA. MOVING. DISTANCE.

FX 55701 (.) SECRET (.) URGENT - GRAHAM spoke 16 Nov (.)

#7 PRIULI COMBAT GROUP will move by road and rail
to AREA south of FLORENCE (.) Advance parties will move with representatives
ahead as in AAI SMI 1 of 16 (.) Rail parties move from BENEVENTO 20 to
26 NOV (.) Detailed move orders including march through ROME follow.

Capt. RE.
Nov. L.O.

30

18/11

WP

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Move and Conc of MANTOVA Group.

Land Forces Sub-Com. A.C.
(N.M.I.A.)

S/SD/30
17 Nov 44

TO : Disthree.

Copy to: AFHQ (G-3 org Erit)

Herewith copy of our S/SD/30 of 8 Nov, subject
as above, requested in your signal SD 186 of 16 Nov.

[Signature]
Major General Capt
N.M.I.A.

3064

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

SUBJECT: Cavalry Unit for Combat Group

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

File No. 5/3/23/18

16 Nov 44

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Your proposal (contained in 304027/CA of 7 Nov) to perpetuate the Cavalry tradition by including in the PICERNO Combat Group one Battalion of dismounted Cavalry is approved under the following conditions:

(a) The Battalion will be in place of a Battalion of Infantry.

(b) The organisation and functions of the Battalion are to be exactly the same as those of an Infantry Battalion.

(c) Reinforcements will be as far as possible Cavalry men but this must depend on availabilities of personnel and the needs of the situation.

2. The formation of this unit will begin within the PICERNO Group at once and it will be brought up to strength as quickly as possible by the methods stated in your proposal.

3. Men required from 502 Guard Bn are to be replaced by you before being taken from it: you will inform MMIA when you are ready to do this so that the necessary orders can be given.

4. Progress in the formation of this Battalion will be reported by you to MMIA on 18 Dec.

[Signature]
Major General
M. M. I. A.

Int. Dist.: A/Q
~~SECRET~~
G

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

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGOT 142125
TO DISTHREZ
INFO MAIN AAI MOVWIT MMIA

FX 52753

RESTRICTED

Ref MMIA S/SD/30 of 8 Nov, not to all (.) Subject (.)
Move of MANTOVA Gp to SAN GIORGIO Area (.) Ensure necessary
action taken on para 2 (.) Moves not to commence before
27 Nov

cgl

3064

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FROM DISTHREE

TO NMIA

14

A

SD 166

RESTRICTED

S/Sd/30

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Copy S/sec
SD/50
SD/13/3 (A/C)

Ref your SD 1777 of 12 Nov (.) Th s HQ SD 93 of 9 Nov was
repeated to you for information (.) Copy follows (.) Quote (.)
09.1759 for Action to 56 Area 94 Sub Area NMIA LO Naples
Movwit Info to 50 BLU AFHQ (G-3 Org Brit) (NMIA ref SS 265
of 4 Nov not to all (.) Following units will move earliest from
present locations to BENEVENTO ~~for~~ CRUPPI (.) From NAILES -
119 Regt strength offrs 20 ORs 493 stores 15 tons (.)
From TORRE ANNUNZIATA 4 Artieri Coy strength 185 all ranks (.)
From PONTECAGNANO 162 Artieri Coy strength 175 all ranks (.)
All on arrival under Comd SMRE reporting 50 BLU (.) Move under
orders MOVWIT (.) UNQUOTE)

cgl

3001

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FROM: MMIA

TO : AFHQ

AAI

50, 51, 52, 53, 54 BLUs

3 DISTRICT

MMIA LO PBS

Ministry of War

MMIA LO's 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 BLUs

MMIA LO 3 DISTRICT

SS 527

RESTRICTED

Reference MMIA S/G/29/28 of 28 October (.) After
designation of Reinforcement Regiment to Reinforce-
ments Training Depot Italian Combat Force or "R.T.D.
I.C.F." (.) All informed

PRIORITY ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED

Internal: G
A/Q
MED

3600

RESTRICTEDSUBJECT: Specialists and Tradesmen in the Italian Combat Gps

HQ. ALLIED ARMS IN ITALY

Tel:- FILPOT 222

3097/45/1/A(0)

10 Nov 44

AFHQ G-1(B) (5)

Copy to: LMA (5)

G(SD)

G(TRE)

Q(AB)

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4. CONCLUSION

It is requested that the recommendations above be implemented as a matter of urgency. Until the supply of tradesmen in the Gps is placed on a sound basis, large quantities of equipment will be ruined through ignorance, while the Theatre repair organisations will be further overburdened.
5. It was originally intended that these two Combat Groups should be fit for operations by 1st and 15th Nov. It is evident that unless immediate effective action is taken to rectify the tradesman and specialist situation the dates of readiness will be considerably retarded with consequent serious results affecting future operations.

M/JH

Shawley
General,
Commander-in-Chief.

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FROM: NSA

TO : OS NSA
NSA

AS 300

IS

ROUTINE

Information is desired as to whether the fifty-one
warriors slain with LEONARD and FORD are in
serviceable condition (.) Have NAME Officer inspect
and then signal answer to this HQ.

To 47 refs.

PREFERENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED

copy to: 5/20/30

5/5/30
5/10/30

3010

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Corrected message

ARMY FORM O 2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 27/8

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

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FROM
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Originator

Date-Time of Origin

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For Action

M M I A

TO

(W, For Information (INFO))

-Message Instructions-

Gn -

Originator's No.

*A292 Confidential Ref your SD 1730 dated 50
NO signals available AFRABOLA camp 17
out of 53 drivers only collected*

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BY ANY MEANS { EXCEPT } WIRELESS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
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FROM NMIA

11 A

TO MINISTRY OF WAR
AFHQ
AAI
50, 51, 52, 53, 54 BLD'G
3 District

REFD NMIA LO PBS

RS 306

RESTRICTED

Reference Urbat attached to 5/0/29/26 of 26 October

for 113 Mobile X-Ray Unit substitute 133 (.) All

informed

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Done 11/12/49
12/11
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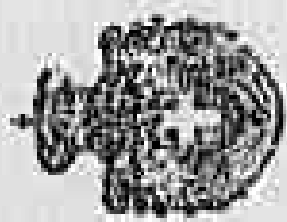
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

R/g.a. UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

N. 11493 prot. Op.

P.M.151, II novembre 1944

Risposta al foglio N.

Allegati

del

OGGETTO: 76° reggimento fanteria

"Mantova".-



ALLA M.M.I.A. (Sottocommissione Esercito)

R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - GAB. - Uff.C.A. -

P.M.151

Riferimento f° 10669/Op. del 9.10.c.a.-

Si informa codesta Missione che in considerazione del rinvio dello spostamento del gruppo di combattimento "Mantova" a dopo il 10 c.m., e per evitare una ulteriore sosta del reggimento in oggetto attendato in zona montana, si è provveduto al suo concentramento a Reggio Calabria.

Ciò faciliterà in seguito il suo successivo trasferimento al nord dato che da Reggio Calabria il grado di costruzione della linea ferroviaria è maggiore che da Co

OGGETTO: 76° reggimento fanteria

"Mantova".-



ALLA M.M.I.A. (Sottocommissione Esercito) ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - GAB. - Uff.C.A. -

P.M.151

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senza.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO

- Alessandro Santi -

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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Trans. Instructions

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(A)

Originator

Date/Time of Origin

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MAIN AAI

For Action

MAIN EIGHTH ARMY

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

REAR EIGHTH ARMY
MMIA
DISTONE

OFFICE DATE STAMP

10/1

Message Instructions

GP

Originator's No.

Q(AE)7033 ? (.) SECRET (.) REQUEST YOU ENDEAVOUR LOCATE QTY 56
ITALIAN 81 MM MORTARS STATED BY MMIA LEFT BEHIND IN ARMY AREA AFTER
COMPLETION MOVE COL (CIL) ? (.) PROBABILITY THESE WILL BE REQUIRED
FOR EARLY RE-ISSUES (.) GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE RELE INSPECTION AND
LOCATED AND INFORM THIS HQ CONDITION AND LOCATION

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**
BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT WIRELESS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
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GVDS: WT. 932. 194. 2,000,000 P404. 3.44. 6.4.8. L10. 30-5/43.0

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FROM MLA
TO SL BLH
INFO SO BLH
SD 1762

8/5/36 10 1115 71246

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION _____

For Col FIDLEY URGENT from INGLETON (.) C in C would like out
and dried type written programme handed to him in triplicate on
arrival at RV west of BENEVENTO (.) Please decide yourself exactly
what he is to see when and where and for how long and NOT leave
anything to his choice (.) This from HUYERT CLARGE via McQUEEN (.)
Above probably only confirms arrangements you made in MLIA
SS 279 of 7 NW (.) Can you phone through any details tonight
so that VIP can study enroute to RV

PRIORITY IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATED _____

3050

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*Please make 1 copy for SD/50
45
File*

FROM MMIA
TO WAR MINISTRY
RFTD 52 BLU
PES FOR MMIA
CA GARRISON FOR GELARDI
SD 1760

091730 A

*SD/50
S/SD/30
p 10/11*

RESTRICTED

Arrange to despatch 300 rfts from Rft Depot ALIFE
in LECORNO tpt to AFFAGOLA Camp 12 Nov for 2 Bn
119 Regt (.) Aoz

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATED *[Signature]*

Internal: Spec Sec
'Q'

cc. Check 12 Nov. [Signature]

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APP

MOVE AND CONC FOR ELEMENTS OF MANTOVA DIVISION

Priority	Unit	Strength							Entraining Station	Detraining Station	
		Offrs	CRs	Animals Horses Mules By rail		(@) Unit vehs	(-+) Baggage vehs	/cc Stores Tons			
1	<u>Divisional HQ.</u>	27	195	9			1	6	95	Cosenza	BENEVENTO
2	<u>76 Inf. Regt. 'Napoli'</u>										
	Regt and Coy HQs	18	132	4				2	17	Reggio Calabria	"
	Mortar Coy	3	71	4					2	Reggio Calabria	"
	Support Coy	4	115	2	17				2	Reggio Calabria	"
	1 Bn	18	339	11					15	Reggio Calabria	"
	2 Bn	16	285	11					15	Reggio Calabria	"
	3 Bn	25	806	21	49	14		1	30	Reggio Calabria	"
3	<u>114 Inf Regt 'Mantova'</u>										
	Regt and Coy HQs	20	200	25	5		1	9	15	Cosenza	"
	Mortar Coy	3	92	4			1		3	Cosenza	"
	Support Coy	2	130						2	Cosenza	"
	1 Bn	30	635	16		4		1	23	Castrovillari (ø)	"
	2 Bn	29	615	3					20	Cosenza	"
4	<u>155 Arty Regt 'Emilia'</u>										
	Regt and Bty HQs	10	59				4	2	10	Crotone	"
	1 Gruppo	7	147	140			5		18	Crotone	"
	2 Gruppo	11	170	83			5	1	16	Crotone	"
	3 Gruppo	11	118	115	16		6		18	Cutro	"
	4 Gruppo	12	124					7	18	Crotone	"
	5 Gruppo	6	160					4	13	Crotone	"
	6 Gruppo	11	118				4	1	14	Crotone	"
5	<u>104 Mixed Engr Bn</u>	8	387					4*	60	Cosenza	"
6	<u>104 Supply & Tpt Coy</u>	6	89						3	Cosenza	"
7	<u>104 Mobile Stores</u>	1	32						1	Vibo Valentia	"
	Carried forward	278	5019	148	87	18	27	38	110		

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APPX A to MIA : 30/30 of Nov 44.

CONFIDENTIAL

MOVE AND CONC FOR ELEMENTS OF NAPOLVA DIVISION

Offrs	ORs	Animals		Unit vehs	Strength		Stores Tons	Entraining Station	Detraining Station	Date required to move	Remarks
		Horses	Mules		Baggage vehs	/or					
		By rail									
27	195	9			1	6	95	Cosenza	BENEVENTO		
18	132	4				2	17	Reggio Calabria	"		
3	71	4					2	Reggio Calabria	"		
4	115	2	17				2	Reggio Calabria	"		
18	339	11					15	Reggio Calabria	"		
16	285	11					15	Reggio Calabria	"		
25	806	21	49	14		1	30	Reggio Calabria	"		
20	200	25	5		1	9	15	Cosenza	"		
3	92	4			1		3	Cosenza	"		
2	130						2	Cosenza	"		
30	635	16		4		1	23	Castrovillari (ø)	"		
29	615	3					20	Cosenza	"		
10	59				4	2	10	Crotone	"		
7	147	140			5		18	Crotone	"		
11	170	83			5	1	16	Crotone	"		
11	118	115	16		6		18	Cutro	"		
12	124					7	18	Crotone	"		
6	160					4	13	Crotone	"		
11	118				4	1	14	Crotone	"		
8	387					4*	60	Cosenza	"		
6	89						3	Cosenza	"		
1	32						1	Vibo Valentia	"		
278	5019	448	87	18	27	38	410				

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MOVE AND COND FOR ELEMENTS OF MANTOVA DIVISION

Priority	Unit	Strength							Entraining Station	Detrain Station
		Offrs	GRs	Animals Horses/Mules By rail	(*) Unit vehs	(+) Baggage vehs	m/cs	Stores (Tons)		
8	Brought forward 104 Medical Unit	278 10	5019 100	448	87	18	27	38	Cosenza	BENEVENTO
9	248 Field Hospital	5	44				1(X)	9	Cosenza	"
10	501 Field Hospital	6	44					10	Crotone	"
11	151 CC.AR Section	1	56					10	Cosenza	"
TOTAL		300	5263	448	87	18	26	48	443	

- Notes :-
- (*) To be parked in the vicinity of the departure station and to follow by road at a
 - (*) From Castrovillari to Spozzano Albanese by Calabro-Lucana Rly.
 - (Y) Mobile Kitchen to go by rail.
 - (+)
 - (*) To be parked in the vicinity of the station (excepting mobile kitchen) and to fo
 - (*) Incl 1 motor tricycle.

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MOVE AND CONC FOR ELEMENTS OF MANTOVA DIVISION

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Strength								Entraining Station	Detraining Station	Date required to move	Remarks
Fr	CRs	Animals Horses/Mules By rail	(e) Unit vehs	(+) Baggage vehs	m/cs	Stores Tons					
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5	44				1(X)		9	Cosenza	"		
6	44						10	Crotone	"		
1	56						10	Cosenza	"		
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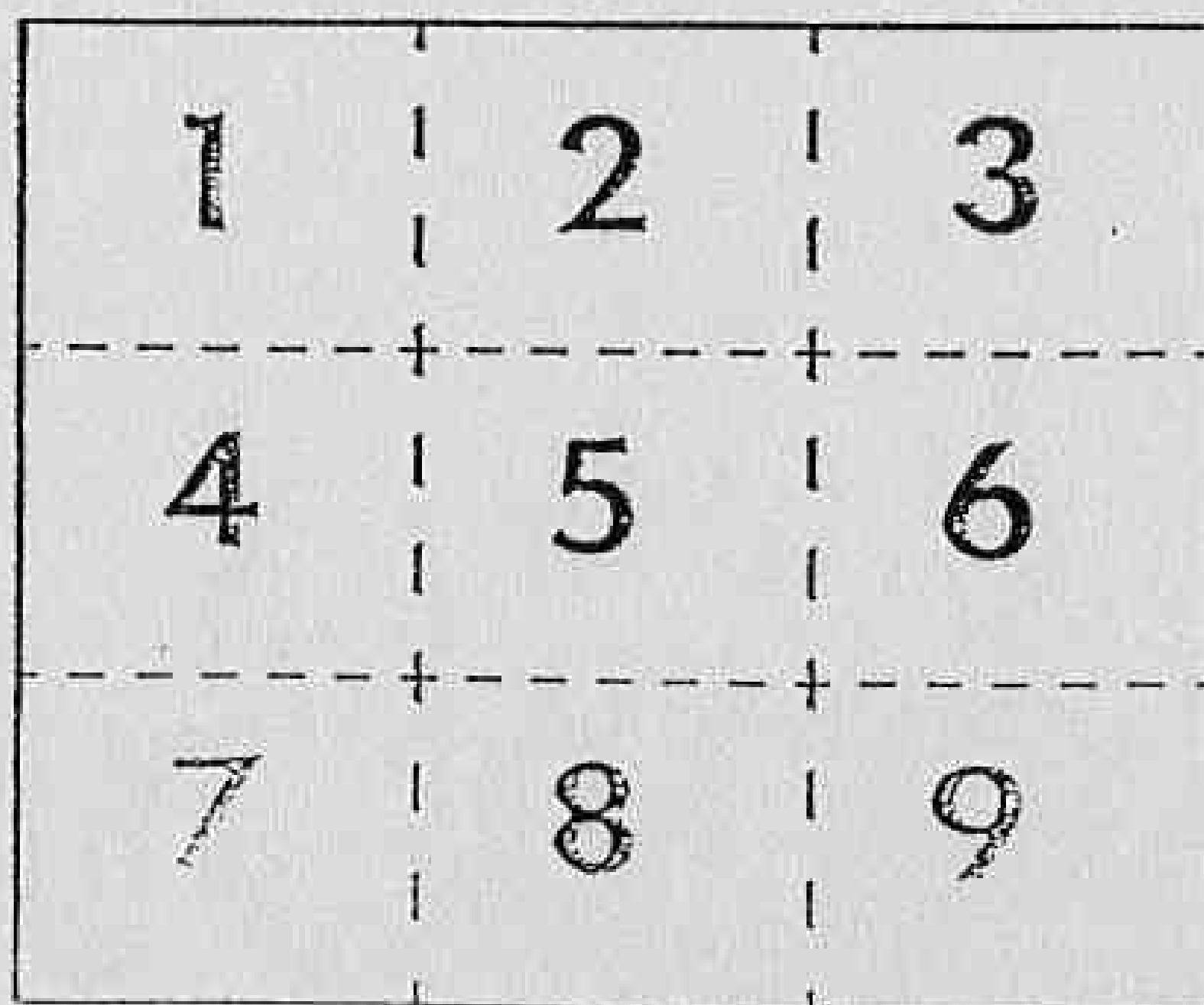
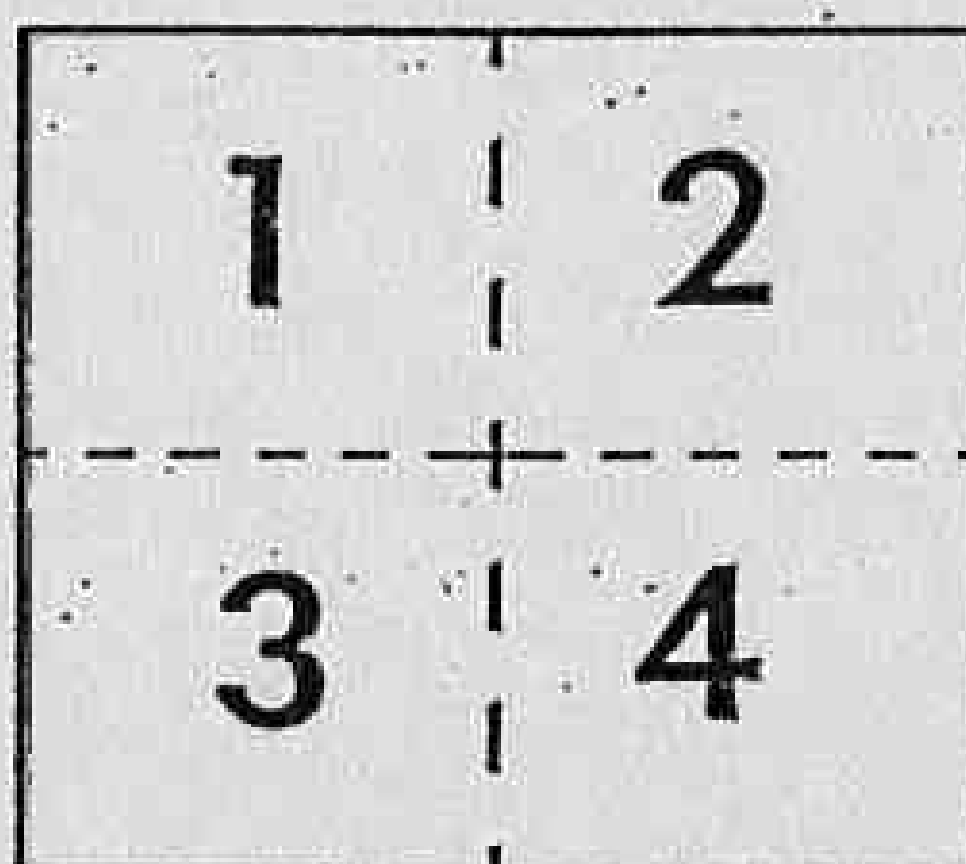
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NOTE : (1)- da parchare nei pressi delle stazioni di carico - seguiranno i
(2)- da parchare nei pressi delle stazioni di carico (esclusa la st
(3)- stufa Giannolli
(4)- da Castrovillari a Spezzano Albanese con ferrovia calabro-lucal

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O "MANTOVA" PRONTI A PARTIRE ALLA DATA ODIERNA

MATERIE				Materiali vari	Materiale ferroviario corrente			STAZIONE DI		Giorno in cui si può caricare
Autocarr	pesanti o medi o tratt	morchi	Pezzi	Cassoni	Avantreni	Carri non arredati	Carri merci	Platti	CARICO	SCARICO
L 39									Cosenza	
									Reggio Calabria	
									Reggio Calabria	
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									Reggio Calabria	
									Reggio Calabria	
									Reggio Calabria	
									Cosenza	
									Cosenza	
									Cosenza	
									Castrovillari (4)	
									Cosenza	
									Crotone	
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									Cosenza	
									Cosenza	
									Vibo Valentia	
									Cosenza	
									Cosenza	
									Crotone	
									Cosenza	

Si omette il calcolo del numero dei carri non conoscendo il tipo di materiale che sarà fornito.

- S U B I E O -

Indicazione omissa perchè ancora non conosciuta.

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- S U B I T O -

Indicazione omessa perché ancora non conosciuta.

Reggio Calabria
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Cosenza
Cosenza
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Castrovillari(4)
Cosenza

Crotone
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Cosenza
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Vibo Valentia

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Cosenza
Crotone
Cosenza

Si omette il calcolo del numero dei carri non conoscendo il tipo di materiale che sarà fornito.

175	150	100	600
20	30	180	35
20	20	160	10
150	230	180	80
150	200	180	95
300		130	100
		140	60

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a Ginnoli) - seguiranno in un secondo tempo

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SPECCHIO A

Comando Gruppo di Combattimento "Mantova",

ORDINE DI PRECEDENZA

- 104° Btg. Misto Genio e 104° Sezione Sanità
- 114° Rgt.Ftr.
- 155° Rgt.Art.
- altri reparti divisionali
- 76° Rgt.Ftr.

SECRET

SUBJECT: Formation of New Units - Misc.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OR 1160/G.1(ER)(Ser. 0997)
7 Nov 44.

'E' BRITISH LIAISON UNIT (FOR GRUPPI DI COORDINAMENTO)
ITALIAN INCREMENT TO 'E' BLU.

1. (a) The above mentioned unit and increment will be formed as shown below under the supervision of HQ No.3 District with effect from 5 Nov 44:-

Unit	W.D.	Serial No.
'E' B.L.U.	NA/508/1	11997
Italian Increment,	NA/509/1	11998
'E' P.L.U.		

- (b) Copies of the W.D. will be distributed automatically by HQ No.3 District. Additional copies, if required, may be obtained from No.10 Publications Depot. Indents should state that these copies are in addition to those received from HQ No.3 District.

- (c) The alphabetical designation will be used pending the allotment of a unit number by the War Office.

2. PERSONNEL

- (1) Postings will be effected as follows:-

(a) Officers: (i) Lt-Col and Staff Officers } in conjunction 3043
by Dep. Mil. Sec., AFHQ. } with
(ii) Remainder by G.1(B), AFHQ. } Heads of Services
(b) Other ranks: by DAG GHQ 2nd Echelon } Concerned

3. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT

Indents for the following will be submitted in accordance with instructions to be issued by HQ No.3 District:-

- (a) Replacements of clothing, necessities and personal equipment to scale.
(b) Unit equipment to scale ... P.C. 109-1000 (less anti-ras stores).
(c) Any other special or technical equipment of Ordnance Supply, required additional to ... P.C. 1098 scale in accordance with Special Equipment List, issued by G.1(B), AFHQ.
(d) Transport to complete to W.D.

4. SUPPLY

Unit will submit demands based on two month's estimated requirements as indicated below:-

(b) Copies of the W.E. will be distributed automatically by HQ No.3 District. Additional copies, if required, may be obtained from No.10 Publications Depot. Indents should state that these copies are in addition to those received from HQ No.3 District.

(c) The alphabetical designation will be used pending the allotment of a unit number by the War Office.

2. PERSONNEL

(i) Postings will be effected as follows:-

- (a) Officers: (i) Lt-Col and Staff Officers } in conjunction 3048
by Dep. Mil. Sec., AFHQ. } with
(ii) Remainder by G.1(E), AFHQ } Heads of Services
(b) Other ranks: by DAC HQ 2nd Echelon } Concealed

3. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT

Indents for the following will be submitted in accordance with instructions to be issued by HQ No.3 District:-

- (a) Replacements of clothing, necessaries and personal equipment to scale.
- (b) Unit equipment to scale -- F.C.109--1000 (less anti-ras stores).
- (c) Any other special or technical equipment of Ordnance supply, required additional to F.C.1098 scale in accordance with Special Equipment List, issued by G.1(E), AFHQ.
- (d) Transport to complete to W.E.

4. SUPPLIES

Unit will submit demands based on two month's estimated requirements as indicated below:-

- (a) Army Forms, Books and Stationery (indent form A.F.L.1393) to HQ.24 Stationery Depot.
- (b) Publications (indent form A.F.L.1394) to No.10 Publications Depot, (to be ordered 'Initial Demand').
- (c) Office Machinery (indent form A.F.L.1392) to JPSS, AFHQ.

5. PAY

Application for the allotment of an imprest number will be made to the nearest Area or P.D. Cashier.

6. POSTAL

Postal address will be:- '2' British Liaison Unit, C.M.F.

7. COMPLETION

- (a) HQ No.3 District will report to G.1(3)A.1. Section, AFHQ, when formation is complete.
- (b) If deficiencies of personnel still exist on 28 Nov 44, a statement will be rendered showing such deficiencies by ranks and trades.

8. ACK

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for Pelham H. General
General,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

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The War Office, (S.D.2.)

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Br. Increment Fifth (US) Army
HQ Eighth Army

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HQ No.2 District

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HQ No.3 District

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GHQ 2nd Echelon

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GHQ 2nd Echelon (SUMS)

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Reinforcements, CAC

No. 9 Publications Depot, RASC

No.10 Publications Depot, RASC

No.8 Comd. Pay Office

No.21 Stationery Depot

Signalmaster, C.SERCA

L.F. Sub-Commission, AC, (M.H.I.A.)

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MESSAGE FOR

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From: DMIA.
To: HQ AAI.
To(Info) AFHQ 50 HLU 51 HLU.

SS 286.

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In orders for move of FRIULI and CREMONA please state which
tail units should accompany each (*) Recommend that Field
Bakeries be kept attached as per S/G/29/26 of 26 October and that
1 Field Park Coy and 130 Field Surgical Unit move with FRIULI

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W.P. Kelly Colonel

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*Major copy AAI run
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movement*

FROM: MAILATO : MINISTRY OF WARAFHQAsstSC, 51, 52, 53, 54 ELUS3 DISTRICTMAILA LO PBSMAILA LO 3 DISTRICTCA/CMTDSIGSFILESS 281RESTRICTED

Reference our S/C/29/26 of 26 October as amended by S/C/29/26

of 1 Nov and SS 271 of 5 Nov (.) Parent unit for 183 Technical

Maintenance Section will be LEGNANO, for 316 Section Carabinieri

FOLGORE (.) Second mobile Dental Unit designated 114 (.) All

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Please see attached memo on Manpower situation Gruppo
di Combattimenti.

If you have no comments I will proceed on the lines of
the programme therein contained.



Lt. Col.

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REP 8 Nov.

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

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5 Nov 44

MEMO ON CAMPAIGN SITUATION
GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTIAtt. 1. Annex A is statement of strengths
of Combat Force Units as at 5 Nov 44.

1. Group A (FRULLI/CHERONA/1/3 batt/1/3 regts) shows a net deficiency of 459 personnel which will be more than covered by the following:-

- (a) AFHQ dtrs 100 on 8 Nov AFHQ signal FX 42346 of 22 Oct.
- (b) AFHQ dtrs 50 on 12 Nov AFHQ signal FX 42346 of 22 Oct.
- (c) AFHQ dtrs 50 on 16 Nov AFHQ signal FX 42346 of 22 Oct.
- (d) Dtrs ex CATANZARO 100 on 6 Nov. info from SEMI.
- (e) Dtrs ex ATRIACOLA 53 on 15 Nov ref MMIA signal SD 1726 of 4 Nov 44.
- (f) No 954 It Mil Wraps 279 on 15 Nov ref MMIA letter SD/10 of 6 Nov 44.
- (g) One Gen Tpt Coy 232 MMIA S/C/29/26 of 25/26 Oct & AAI SD 1347 of 28 Oct.
- (h) One MAC 45 ref 12 OT Coln letter A/80/1015 of 22 Oct 44.
- (i) Signallers 21 ref MMIA signal SD 1730 of 5 Nov.

TOTAL 930

Group A will therefore be completely provided for by mid-Nov.

2. Group B (LACONAR/PULCORE/1/3 batt/1/3 regts) shows a net deficiency of 4,799 personnel which it is proposed to meet as follows:-

UNIT	STRENGTH	DATE	REF
(a) One Gen Tpt Coy	232	by end Dec	MMIA S/C/29/26 of 25/26 Oct & AAI SD 1347 of 28 Oct
(b) 954 It Mil Wraps	279	15 Nov	MMIA SD/10 of 6 Nov 44
(c) special ARBUTI recruiting	500	mid-Nov	
(d) medical ALPILI recruiting	300	mid-Nov	
(e) SAN BASSO recruits ex TARANTO			

- (b) AFHQ dvrs 50 on 12 Nov AFHQ signal FX 12346 of 22 Oct.
- (c) AFHQ dvrs 50 on 16 Nov AFHQ signal FX 42346 of 22 Oct.
- (d) Dvrs ex CATANZARO 100 on 6 Nov. Infm from SIME.
- (e) Dvrs ex AFRAGOLA 53 on 15 Nov ref MMIA signal SD 1726 of 4 Nov 44.
- (f) No 954 It MIL maps 279 on 15 Nov ref MMIA letter SD/10 of 6 Nov 44.
- (g) One Gen Tpt Coy 232 MMIA S/G/29/26 of 25&26 Oct & AAI SD 1347 of 28 Oct.
- (h) One MAC 45 ref 12 67 Coln letter 4/80/1015 of 22 Oct 44.
- (i) Signallers 21 ref MMIA signal SD 1730 of 5 Nov.

TOTAL 930

Group A will therefore be completely provided for by Mid-Nov.

Group B (LEONARDI/VALCONE/1/3 teal/1/3 vms) shows a net deficiency of 4,799 personnel which it is proposed to meet as follows:-

UNIT	STRENGTH	DATE	REF
(a) One Gen Tpt Coy	233	by end Dec	MMIA S/G/29/26 of 25&26 Oct & AAI SD 1347 of 28 Oct
(b) 954 It MIL Maps	279	15 Nov	MMIA SD/10 of 6 Nov 44
(c) special ARDINI recruiting	500	Mid-Nov	
(d) special ARDINI recruiting	300	Mid-Nov	
(e) SAN ARDINI recruits ex TARANTO	700	Mid-Dec	
(f) disbanded 24 and 40 ex East Coast	800	End Nov	
(g) volunteers ex 3,700 personnel ex Greece all Nov	200	End Dec	
(h) ex call-up ARDINI	800	Mid-Nov	
(i) ex call-up ARDINI	2,000		
TOTAL	5,612		

Group F should therefore be complete by end Dec 44.

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3. It is not possible at this stage to forecast in detail the sources of manpower for Group C but the requirement of 6,812 personnel will be earmarked from the Dec call-up in SICILY of 10,000 estimated to be available NOT before 31 Jan.

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Lt. Col.
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Appx "A" to MIA
21/30 of 5 Nov 44

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GROUP "A"

Friuli 8,906 9,253 347

Grenona 8,906 10,400 1,494

1/3 tail 1,356 556 500

1/3 rfts 1,900 1,800 700

wastage to 31 Dec at 44 800

Sub-Total..... 21,009 21,409 459

GROUP "B"

Legnano 8,906 8,663 243

Folgore 8,906 7,500 1,406

1/3 tail 1,104 504 600

1/3 rfts 1,900 - 1,900

wastage to 31 Dec at 44 650

Sub-Total..... 20,816 16,667 4,799

GROUP "C"

Montora 8,906 8,034 1,406

Piceno 8,906 6,294 2,906

1/3 tail 901 501 400

1/3 rfts 1,900 - 1,500

wastage to 31 Dec at 44 600

2300 reduction in
strength between 27
Oct and 5 Nov being
investigated.

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2300 reduction in strength between 27 Oct and 5 Nov being investigated.

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Sub-Total..... 21,003 21,409 459

GROUP "B"

Legnano	8,906	8,663	243
Folgore	8,906	7,500	1,406
1/3 tail	1,104	504	600
1/3 rfts	1,900	-	1,900
wasteage to 31 Dec at 45			650
Sub-Total.....	20,816	16,667	4,799

GROUP "C"

Mantova	8,906	8,034	1,466
Piceno	8,906	6,294	2,906
1/3 tail	901	501	400
1/3 rfts	1,900	-	1,500
wasteage to 31 Dec at 45			600
Sub-Total.....	20,613	14,829	6,812

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Subject:- Volunteers for GRUPPI ex BALKANS.

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Date Recd 6/11
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C/o 54 Area. CMF.
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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.).

Attached herewith nominal roll to date of
volunteers for "GRUPPI" ex BALKANS. Further rolls will be
sent as and when available.

C.F. Murcell
Major
C.F. Murcell Maj. G.S.
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area.

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NOMIN L ROLL OF VOLUNTEERS FOR "GRUPPI"

ON LEAVE

Rank	Name	Cl.	Army	Date of Return
Art.	Marongelli Vincenzo	I920	Art?	4/12/44
Gen.	Bonelli Angelo	I921	Gen.	"
Fante	Barberio Francesco	I921	Fante	"
C.Magg.	Curci Pietro	I920	Ftr.	2/12/44
S.Magg.	Faita Francesco	I918	Ftr.	4/12/44
Serg.	Salpietro Piero	I913	Aut.	"
Aut.	Ducci Benedetto	I922	Aut.	"
Aut.	D'Ezi Ezio	I922	Aut.	"
Art.	Poerio Raffaele	I923	Art.	"
Art.	Maiuri Mario	I923	Art.	"
Cap.le	Rodichiero Domenico	I923	Aut.	"
Fante	Giordano Giovanni	I922	Ftr.	"
C.Magg.	Sensoni Mariano	I915	Ftr.	"
C.Magg.	Tolomeo Pietro	I913	Ftr.	"
C.Magg.	Cavallo Donato	I920	Ftr.	"
S.Magg.	Rossi Amleto	I912	Art.	"
S.Magg.	-Macri Attilio	I911	Ftr.	"
C.M.	Cirincione Angelo	I922	Ftr.	"
S.Magg.	Di Piero Pasquale	I913	Ftr.	"
Aut.	Mirasole Salvatore	I910	Aut.	7/12/44
Gen.	Papera Antonio	I920	Gen.	6/12/44
Art.	Alescio Pietro	I922	Art.	8/12/44

TRANSFERRED to Piedimonte D'Alife 30/10/1944

Serg.	Lodo Giovanni	I916	Ftr.
C.Magg.	Marinoni Primo	I916	Ftr.
Cap/le	Bersani Camillo	I922	Ftr.
Legion.	D'Antonio Luciano	I927	Milizia
Fante	Zahotti Giovanni	I920	Ftr.
Aut.	Polerani Carlo	I916	Aut.
Cap/le	Tacco Giovanni	I914	Ftr.
Aut.	Barbieri Arnaldo	I916	Aut.
Aut.	Pomati Walter	I923	Aut.
Fante	Sebenelli Silvio	I911	Ftr.
Art.	Arrighi Pietro	I916	Art.
TRANSFERRED to Piedimonte D'Alife 2/11/1944			
Fante	Marzorati Adolfo	I922	Ftr.
"	Casati Mario	I922	Ftr.
"	Montani Luigi	I922	Ftr.
"	Burtignon Battista	I923	Ftr.

Aut.	"	7/10/44
Ftr.	"	6/12/44
Ftr.	"	8/12/44
Ftr.	"	
Ftr.	"	
Art.	"	
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Aut.	"	
Gen.	"	
Art.	"	

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"	Rizzato Battista	I922	Art.
"	Scrivani Claudio	I922	Art.
Gen.	Temporin Primo	I921	Art.
Gen.	Zeli Nerino	I917	Gen.
Fante	Mucignatti Giovanni	I922	Gen.
Fante	Gambero Ernesto	I921	Ftr.
	Boldino Giuseppe	I922	Ftr.

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SUBJECT: Reinforcements

TO : 01

1. I suggest we work on the following basis:
- (a) That the Combat Force requires 8,000 reinforcements to bring it up to strength in bodies.
 - (b) That it requires 2,000 specialists in addition in exchange for whom it could forego 2,000 of the above reinforcements.
 - (c) That between now and Jan 1 there will be a wastage of 5% (i.e. 3,000 men) due to absence without leave etc., especially in view of the fact that we shall lose many of the FIGENO who have gone to be Carabinieri.
 - (d) This means that 11,000 reinforcements are required for the Combat Groups between now and Jan 1.

W. P. Shirley
Col. Sec.

3 Nov. 44.

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Subject: Combat Groups - Return of Surplus Italian Equipment.

Land Forces Sub. Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E.

5/07/5

Nov 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. All Italian clothing, equipment, vehicles, weapons, ammunition, stores and materials surplus to the entitlement of the Combat Groups, will be withdrawn from the Combat Groups, before they move from their concentration areas.

2. The Combat Groups will return all surplus to Mil. HQ, CAMPANIA, under arrangements made by the Ministry of War, by the following dates :-

(c) ITINIA . . . by 19 Nov 44.

(a) CREMONA by EO Nov 44.

(c) LECHANO and FOLGORE during November.. Final dates will be notified later.

The above dates are dependent upon the use of the Combat Groups' own transport. Applications will NOT be made to 5C and 51 BLU for transport after the dates given in (a) and (b) above.

3. Standing tentage will NOT be taken by the Combat Groups, but will be left in situ.
4. Any useful accommodation stores, left by FRIULI and CREMONA, will be handed over to MANTOVA Adv parties already in the area.
5. Equipment, vehicles, weapons and baggage up to the approved scale only, will be taken by the Combat Groups when they move from their concentration areas. Nothing in excess of these scales will be taken.
6. The Ministry of War will forward to this HQ, a copy of the instructions which they issue, to carry the above into effect.

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F. J. INGLES Esq. Col.
for Major General.
N. H. I. A.

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2. The Combat Groups will return all surplus to Mil. HQ, CAMPANIA, under arrangements made by the Ministry of War, by the following dates :-

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(b) CREMONA by 10 Nov 44.

(c) LEGNANO and FOLGORE during November. Final dates will be notified later.

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F. J. MORRIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M.H.I.A.

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FROM NMIA
TO 50 BLU
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WAR MINISTRY

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FROM: WIA

TO: AAI

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FOR MINISTRY
WIA LO 50 BLU

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In view of our 22/23 of 28 OCT 44 as amended NOT to
50 BLU delete all reference to PIGS Division in our
movement request 2/24/30 of 12 OCT 44

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: NMIA

DATE: 5/27/30 33

TO (FOR ACTION): SE AREA

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RPTD WAR MINISTRY *191*

REF NO: AQ/2130

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REF YOUR Q400/10 OF 2 NOV (.) 235 ANTY RPTD COMANDO GRUPO DI
COMBATTIMENTO PIGHO ARE ALERTED TO MOVE FROM OLD CONVENT
MASSATRA WILDER TERRA WERRE (.) *Thru 5.18.30 for 1st Army* THEREAFTER CONVENT AT YOUR
DISPOSAL *is this satisfactory query*

PRECEDENCE: *Routine*

AUTHENTICATION: *Ward Coy. V.*

INTERNAL: *191*

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Subject: Reinforcement Depot for Combat Groups (Provisional Procedure).

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

S/G/29/26
Nov 44

to : 64 Garrison.

Copy to: AFHQ
DMC

Ministry of War

50, 51, 52, 53, 54 BLU, Maj GELARDI.

1. LOCATION. Ref Map Sheet 19. 1/200,000. It is the intention to transfer the Combat Force reinforcement depot from its present location at ALIFE to TELNO (10554) ^{with stock.}

GROUP. A recon has been carried out by M.M.I.A. L.O. LEGNANO.

2. ADMINISTRATION. LEGNANO Group (52 BLU) will continue to be the parent unit of the reinforcement depot. M.M.I.A. L.O. LEGNANO Group (Maj GELARDI) will be directly concerned with all matters affecting it.

3. HOLDINGS. The depot will hold all reinforcements for I.G.F., recently called up personnel, personnel returned from Hospital or other absence, or transferred from Service Units.

The authorised holding is 10% of the total combat Force, but it is not anticipated that more than 2,500 will ever be present at any one time.

4. ACCOMMODATION AND STORES. Demands for accommodation Stores, to appropriate scales, should be made at once through normal channels, by M.M.I.A. L.O. LEGNANO (Discussion Maj HEAD - Maj GELARDI of 29/10 refers).

Standing Camp scales are being forwarded direct by Maj HEAD to Maj GELARDI.

5. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT RESERVES. O. C. Reinforcement Depot will demand clothing and equipment for 2,500 men. Scale will be that laid down for Gruppi di Combattimenti, and stocks will be maintained to meet

1. LOCATION. Ref Map Sheet 19. 1/200,000. It is the intention to transfer the Combat Force reinforcement depot from its present location at ALIFE to TILFIO (10594) next week.

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6. DOCUMENTATION. This is an Italian responsibility and will be dealt with directly between HQ MMIA and Ministry of War.

7. REINFORCEMENT PROCEDURE. Newly enlisted or recalled personnel for the I.C.F. will always be sent to the reinforcement depot in the first instance, where they will be clothed, equipped, documented and to a certain extent trained.

When Groups leave their concentration areas for the line, they will return all personnel surplus to W.E. to the reinforcement depot.

The above gives the reinforcement procedure in broad outline. Recommendations from Major GELARDI as to detailed procedures, will be made to this H.Q.

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D. P. [Signature]

Major General
K. M. I. A.

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FIRST (.) Object is to establish nucleus of MANTOVA Combat Group in new area near S. GIORGIO which could prepare site for whole group, take group's dependent units under command, and receive its reinforcements thus relieving strain on reinforcements depot (.)

SECOND (.) It is requested that 2 Bn 119 Regt undertake this task forthwith (.) THIRD (.) Please confirm if advance party of this Bn can move to new area immediately, main body to follow as soon as you consider Q arrangements satisfactory (.) FOURTH (.) Reference your SD 961 of 1 Nov recommend that 69 Telegraphist Coy be attached to 2 Bn 119 Regt and move with them and not independently ditto 315 Field Bakery which is to be attached to MANTOVA from tail

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64 GARRISON for GELARDI
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12/30/59
 SUBJECT: Auxiliary Units for Combat Groups

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 LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
 (A.M.I.A.)
 File No. S/G/29/26
 / Nov 46

TO : ALL CONCERNED

Reference our S/G/29/26 of 26 October, please amend order of Battle of Auxiliary Units for Combat Groups as follows:

(a) Sheet (1) After section SUPPLY and TRANSPORT add SIGMA13, 3 Technical Maintenance Sections Establishment AI/30/1, total strength 3 Officers 87 OR's:

DESIGNATION OF UNITS	PARENT UNIT	PRESENT LOCATION	REMARKS
181 Technical Maintenance Section (a)	TRIULI	S. GICKSIO	---
182 Technical Maintenance Section (b)	---	ARELZO	Under command AAF Admini- stration No.1 District
183 Technical Maintenance Section (c)	---	---	Being formed by AFHQ

(b) Sheet (2) Amend Col 4 as follows:

	OFFICERS	OR's	TOTAL STRENGTH
2 Mobile x-ray Units	2	12	✓
2 Adv. Depot Medical Stores	2	14	✓
2 Mobile Dental Units	2	6	✓

(c) Sheet (3) Delete present detail for Mobile Laundry and Bath Units and insert:

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	Officers	OR's
2 Mobile x-ray Units	2	12 ✓
2 Adv. Depot Medical Stores	2	14 ✓
2 Mobile Dental Units	2	5 ✓
(c) Sheet (3) Delete present detail for Mobile Laundry and Bath Units and insert:		
	2	4 ✓
4 Mobile Laundry and Bath Units	III/293/1	12 258 ✓
(a) Sheet (3) Amend TOTAL for OR's from 3056 to 3171.		

Major General
M. M. I. A.

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HQ AAI (2)
50, 51, 52, 53, 54 BU's (2 each, one for MMIA IO)
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO OPERAZIONI

V/eg.

N. *1440* 10P. *10P.* *24*
5/SD/30
Per 30
 P.M. 151 *14* *28* Ottobre 1944

Allegati

Risposta al foglio N.

OGGETTO: Zona di concentramento per i Gruppi di combattimento

"Piceno", "Mantova" e Reggimento complementi. - *N.M.I.A. SD*ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito - *Roma 30/10*

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - Uff.C.A. - P.M. 151
 (seguito foglio 10878/Op. del 18 corr.)

La ricognizione effettuata nei giorni scorsi da un ufficiale di codesta Missione unitamente ad ufficiale di questo S.M. ed intesa a ricercare zone migliori per il concentramento del gruppo di combattimento "Grenona", per il reggimento complementi ed eventualmente anche per i gruppi "Tolgore" e "Legnano", ha accertato, come è noto, l'inesistenza, nell'Irpinia occidentale e nella provincia di Benevento, di località più idonee, che non siano già occupate da reparti alleati.

Prego pertanto codesta Missione voler esaminare l'opportunità di concentrare almeno i gruppi "Mantova", "Piceno" ed il reggimento complementi in tutt'altra zona e ciò in considerazione:

- che la stagione invernale, molto piovosa nella regione, aumenterà notevolmente per essi gli inconvenienti già riscontrati nei riguardi del riordinamento ed addestramento degli altri quattro gruppi;
- che il reggimento complementi, per la sua funzione anche di "reggimento scuola" e perché dovrà permanere più a lungo nella sede fissata, ha particolare bisogno, nella cattiva stagione, di locali ove svolgere le lezioni teoriche e ricoverare i materiali più delicati.

OGGETTO: Zona di confine

"Pescano", "Mantova" e Reggimento complementi.

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito - Roma 30/10

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - Uff.C.A. - P.M. 151

(seguito foglio 10878/Op. del 18 corr.)

La ricognizione effettuata nei giorni scorsi da un ufficiale di codesta Missione unitamente ad ufficiale di questo S.M. ed intesa a ricercare zone migliori per il concentramento del gruppo di combattimento "Cremona", per il reggimento complementi ed eventualmente anche per i gruppi "Polgore" e "Legnano", ha accertato, come è noto, l'inesistenza, nell'Irpinia occidentale e nella provincia di Benevento, di località più idonee, che non siano già occupate da reparti alleati.

Prego pertanto codesta Missione voler esaminare l'opportunità di concentrare almeno i gruppi "Mantova", "Pescano" ed il reggimento complementi in tutt'altra zona e ciò in considerazione:

- che la stagione invernale, molto piovosa nella regione, aumenterà i disagi dovuti al riordinamento ed addestramento degli altri quattro gruppi; notevolmente per essi gli inconvenienti già riscontrati nei riguardi del riordinamento ed addestramento anche di "reggi-mento scuola" e perché dovrà permanere più a lungo nella sede fissata, ha particolare bisogno, nella cattiva stagione, di locali ove svolgere le lezioni teoriche e ricoverare i materiali più delicati.

La zona compresa fra Civitavecchia, il Lago di Bracciano e Viterbo, qualora non ostino esigenze militari alleate, per condizioni topografiche ed ambientali si presterebbe, a mio avviso, molto bene all'ordinamento, sistemazione ed addestramento delle predette unità.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE DELL'ESERCITO

O. F. Turchi

SUBJECT: Reorganization Italian Combat Force.

R.A.C.E.Y.

MILITARY DIVISION
ITALIAN ARMY
R.O.L.E.

31 Oct 44

Rec'd

To: R.A. General SALVA - Under Secretary of State for War.
R.A. General BERNARDI - Chief of General Staff - Italian Army.

Further to my TR/O/29 of 28 Aug 44 on the above subject.

1. I am to instruct your Excellencies that recent decision of AFHQ necessitate a revision of the disposal of certain units of the Italian Army, as follows.

2. Italian Mountain Combat Group.

It has been decided that to proceed with the proposal to form a Mountain Combat Group.

3. Reorganization and Equipment of Combat Groups.

(a) The present plan for the formation and equipment of the FARM, CAVALLI, LACCHI, and MOUNTAIN Combat Groups will proceed as already planned i.e. FARM and CAVALLI Groups and first third of the "tail" auxiliary units by end of October.

LACCHI and FARM Groups and second third of the "tail" auxiliary units by end of December.

(b) FARM and FARM Divisions.

The date by which the 5th (FARM), and the 6th (FARM) Combat Groups can become effective is dependent on a number of factors. It has therefore been decided to use these divisions as sources for the provision of auxiliary units for the first two combat groups.

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Further to my 12/12/29 or 28 Aug 44 on the above subject.

1. I am to instruct your Excellencies that recent decisions of AFHQ necessitate a revision of the disposal of certain units of the Italian army, as follows.

2. Italian units in Combat Groups.

It has been decided NOT to proceed with the proposal to form a Mountain Combat Group.

3. Formation and Equipment of Combat Groups.

(a) The present plan for the formation and equipment of the PRIMI, CHIAMO, LEONARDI and MARCONI Combat Groups will proceed as already planned i.e. PRIMI and CHIAMO Groups and first third of the "tail" auxiliary units by end of October.

LEONARDI and MARCONI Groups and second third of the "tail" auxiliary units by end of December.

(b) PRIMI and CHIAMO Divisions.

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The date by which the 5th (MONTANA), and the 6th (PRIMI) Combat Groups can become effective is dependent on a number of factors. It has therefore been decided to use these divisions as sources for the provision of drivers and specialists for the first two combat groups. It has further been decided to use PRIMI Division for providing certain essential internal security troops, on which instructions will be issued separately. Meanwhile 5th (MONTANA) will continue training on limited equipment, and will be moved to S. GIMIGNO area when this is vacated by PRIMI Group.

At this present time the target date for completion of MONTANA Group is 1 Feb 45.

Long to Branch.

2.13.

Major General
C. J. A.

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FROM HMIA

TO HQ SICILY REGION FOR HMIA LG

SD 1694

CONFIDENTIAL

For ALBERT (.) Request earliest reply to our I 149 of
19 Subject 2000 volunteers for Combat Gps

PRECEDENCE Priority

AUTHENTICATED Albert

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From S.S.O. 1. 5-2 B. 1.

To M41A.

action with G-2 (A) (2)

Subject Combat Groups Reinforcement Regiment.

I have the following information to give you on the situation as regards this Regiment.

(a) The present capacity of the camp in all forms of equipment, tentage, blankets, cooking gear etc. is for 200 Staff + 750 recruits. (Staff is 130-105 men)

(b) As a result of a visit paid by me to QAE on the 25th October I was informed that they would work out a release scale by the 29th but that the release would depend on availability of material.

(c) The transport at present with the Regiments Group is only sufficient for drawing the stores of that Group & for the training of the essential drivers for the Group. Any further commitment will interfere with this and therefore with the subsequent efficiency of the Group.

2. I wish therefore to put forward a protest against the introduction of further recruits into a camp which cannot at present house, clothe, equip or feed them.

3. I wish to point out that although this call up was ordered in a letter dated the 12th October, the first intimation of the proposed call up was received by me on the evening of the 14th.

When visiting the camp I found that all the equipment was in a state of disrepair. I have therefore written to the G-2 (A) (2) to request that the equipment be replaced.

W.D. 5/50/30

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FROM: MMIA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
AFHQ
AAI
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Ref MMIA S/C/29/26 of 25 October ditto 26 October add
following item (.) 181 Technical Maintenance Section
Establishment AI/30/1 AF.01098/684 Parent Group FRIULI
present location SAN GIORGIO will support FRIULI and
CREMONA (.) For AAI (.) Request information reference
any other Technical Maintenance Sections to be allotted
to Tail (.) All informed

PRECEDENCE

ROUTINE

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Internal:

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1 strength / office 29 0 R's

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Subject:- Admin. of Small Units attached to Cremona Div.

51 British Liason Unit.

To:- HQ MATIA.

A 2.

41 *del* 7010

Ref your letter 3/SD/30 dated 16 Oct 44.

Herewith list of small units at present attached to the Cremona Division:-

UNIT.	ATTACHED TO
317 Field Bakery	Transport Coy.
44 Surgical Unit. }	
113 X-Ray Unit. }	313 Field Hospital.
Army Corps Wksp	Mech. Coy.
Photographic Section.	Div. Hq.

Field.
26 Oct 44
RWHL/ASJ.

R. Hatch

Major.
DAA & QIC

Mat. No.	5150
FILE REF	130
Date Recd	28/11/44

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Spec. Sec.
Please incorporate into O/B
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Please place under admin. Cond
and inform BLU concerned.

29 Oct.

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SECRETALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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SECRET

Auth: SACMT

Initials:

Date: 25 October 44

25 October 1944

AG 091.711/037 GGT-O

SUBJECT: Disposal of Italian Army Units.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Decisions recently taken in this headquarters have necessitated a revision of the disposal of certain units of the Italian Army.

2. Italian Mountain Combat Group

It was decided not to proceed with the proposal to form a Mountain Combat Group.

3. Formation and Equipment of Combat Groups

a. The present plan for the formation and equipment of the Italian FRIULI, CREMONA, LEGNANO and FOIGORE Divisions into Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Italian Combat Groups will proceed as already planned i.e.,

- (1) Nos. 1 and 2 Groups and 1/3 "tail" units by end of October.
- (2) Nos. 3 and 4 Groups and 1/3 "tail" units by end of December.

b. MANTOVA and PICENO Divisions.

The date by which the 5th (MANTOVA), and the 6th (PICENO) Combat Groups can become effective is dependent on a number of factors, including equipment. It has therefore been decided to use these divisions as sources for the provision of drivers and specialists for the first two combat groups. It has further been decided to use PICENO Division for providing certain essential Internal Security troops, on which instructions will be issued separately. Meanwhile 5th (MANTOVA) will continue training on limited equipment.

4. Training of Combat Groups.

The supervision of the training of the Italian Combat Groups will be the responsibility of Allied Force Headquarters.

By command of General WILSON:

DISTRIBUTION:

See reverse side.

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From MMIA LO FRIMU
To MMIA

M.M.A.	SD	30
FILE REF		
Date Recd	26/10/1	Ref 27/10

Too 260900A

MF/24 @ Ref SD 1645 of 200 Bn NOT arrived @ awaiting
instns @ Lt. Col SABRE of MANTOVA plus 80 men now here @
Men attached to various HQs.

Feeling all
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FROM: MMIA

TO : WAR MINISTRY (1)

Rptd: MMIA TO LEBNAN (2)

SD 1627

5/50/80. File 16
Ref 26/10
261040 A

CONFIDENTIAL

Reference MMIA signal SD 1627 of 18 Oct (.) FARM SOME AREA
FARM (.) COMMAND MILITARY CAMPANIA are ordering
reinforcements DIRECT to LEBNANO Coast Op (.) Their 11147/808
of 20 Oct refers (.) Ensure these orders are cancelled and that
instructions given in our SD 1627 are made known to all concerned
and most strictly adhered to

PREPARED BY MMIA OF L.S. 6
AUTHENTICATED DRY 6 6
W. T. Smith
May

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SUBJECT: Auxiliary units for Combat Groups,

MILITARY MISSION
ITALIAN ARMY
ROME
S/G/29/26
26 October 1944

To: Ministry of War.

1. Attached is the Order of Battle for Auxiliary Units of the Combat Groups so far as it has been possible to make it up at this stage.

2. You have already received instructions to form and concentrate with "parent groups" the units required to support the first TWC Groups (ARLU and CREMANA).

3. The Field Park Coy, Bakeries, Medical Units and Carabinieri Section earmarked to support the second TWC Groups (LEGNA and FULGNE), will also be concentrated with "parent groups" as indicated in Column 6. They will be organized according to the establishments handed to you. Further orders will follow with regard to the General Transport Companies, the second part of the Motor Ambulance Convoy, the Laundry Coy, and the Mobile Bath Units, all of which will have to be formed from scratch.

4. Units earmarked for the third TWC Groups will remain in their present location until further orders.

5. This Order of Battle, together with our S/G/29/26 of 25 Oct, cancels all previous information.

6. The "parent Group" is the Group responsible, with its ELU, for equipping the unit. If the unit concerned is in its area the Group will also be responsible for local administration and discipline. The Combat Group Reinforcement Regiment will be equipped through LEGNA, but for administration, discipline and allotment of personnel, will remain under command of Military Headquarters, CAMPANIA.

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3. The Melé Park Coy, Bakeries, Medical Units and Carabinieri Section entrusted to support the second TWC Groups (LEGNAW and POLGONE), will also be concentrated with "parent groups" as indicated in Column 6. They will be organized according to the establishments handed to you. Further orders will follow with regard to the General Transport Companies, the second part of the Motor Ambulance Convoy, the Laundry Coy, and the Mobile Bath Units, all of which will have to be formed from scratch.

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W. P. Fishery Island

Major General
M M I A

ATTN: AIT (2)
H.Q. AIT (2)

H.Q. ALI (2)
52.5% ELU's (2 each, one for MMTA LC)

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ORDER OF BATTLE OF AUXILIARY UNITS
OF COMBAT GROUPS

Branch	Units	Establishment	Total Strength		Designation of Units	Parent Unit for Mobilization	Present Location	
ENGINEERS	3 Field Park Coys	MAPPA A to 1701/42/43/G SD2 of 5 Oct 44	15	357	1 Field Park Coy (a) 2 Field Park Coy (b) 3 Field Park Coy (c)	PERIOLI FOLGORE MANTOVA	SAN GIORGIO TELESSE -----	Alto Alto To
SUPPL. AND TRANSPORT	6 Field Bakeries	MAPPA A to 1701/42/43/G SD2 of 5 Oct 44	6	166	316 Field Bakery (a) 217 Field Bakery (a) 1 Field Bakery (b) 2 Field Bakery (b) 318 Field Bakery (c) 319 Field Bakery (c)	PERIOLI CREMONA LEGHANO FOLGORE MANTOVA PICENO	SAN GIORGIO SAN GIORGIO PIEDIMONTE PIEDIMONTE AFRAGOLA AFRAGOLA	Old est New est
	3 GENERAL TRANSPORT COMPANIES H.Q. G.T. Coy 4 Transport Pls 4 RDI's 1 Mech. Eng. Platoon	HA/531/1 NA/533/1 NA/532/1 NA/539/1	12 12 — 3	108 588 156 117				No fo at AI
	1 Motor Ambulance Convoy 3 RDI'S	VI/719/1 NA/532/1	7 —	221 39				EC H C P

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SECRETORDER OF BATTLE OF AUXILIARY UNITS
OF COMBAT GROUPS

Assignment	Total Strength		Designation of Units	Parent Unit for Mobilization	Present Location	Remarks
to 1/12/G	15	357	1 Field Park Coy (a) 2 Field Park Coy (b) 3 Field Park Coy (c)	FRIULI FOLGORE MANTOVA	SAN GIORGIO TELESSE -----	Already formed Already formed To be formed from 21 Artieri Coy
to 2/12/G	6	186	316 Field Bakery (a) 317 Field Bakery (a) 1 Field Bakery (b) 2 Field Bakery (b) 318 Field Bakery (c) 319 Field Bakery (c)	FRIULI CREMONA LEGNANO FOLGORE MANTOVA PICENO	SAN GIORGIO SAN GIORGIO PIEDIMONTE PIEDIMONTE AFRAGOLA AFRAGOLA	Old units now being converted to new establishment New units already formed on new establishment as regards personnel
1/1 3/1 2/1 9/1	12 12 — 3	108 588 156 117				None of these companies have yet been formed, and no nucleus for them exists apart from GF Companies already under Allied Command
19/1 32/1	7 —	221 39				Not yet formed, but 1,200 Ambulanco. Car Platoon, now at BARI which already has British vehicles is earmarked for one platoon RDI'S not yet formed

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
MEDICAL	12 Field Hospitals (200 Beds each)	MAPPA A to 1701/23/48/G (SD2) of 25 Sept	34	696	519 Field Hospital (a)	FRIULI	SAN GIORGIO
	4 Field Sur- gical Units		12	92	576 Field Hospital (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE
	2 Mobile X-Ray Units		~~2~~	~~12~~	230 Field Hospital (a)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE
	2 Adv Depot Medical Stores		~~2~~	~~14~~	232 Field Hospital (a)	FOLCORE	PIEDIMONTE
	2 Mobile Dental Units		~~2~~	~~6~~	429 Field Hospital (a)	CREMONA	AFRAGOLA
					470 Field Hospital (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE
					866 Field Hospital (b)	FOLCORE	PIEDIMONTE
					522 Field Hospital (b)	FOLCORE	AFRAGOLA
					229 Field Hospital (c)		AFRAGOLA
					964 Field Hospital (c)		AFRAGOLA
					518 Field Hospital (c)		ENNA, SICILY
					520 Field Hospital (c)		SARDINIA
					34 Field Surgical Unit	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE
					131 Field Surgical Unit	FOLCORE	PIEDIMONTE
					130 Field Surgical Unit	FRIULI	NAPLES
				44 Field Surgical Unit	CREMONA	ALTAVILLA	
				29 Mobile X-Ray Unit	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	
				~~133~~ ~~113~~ Mobile X-Ray Unit	FRIULI	NAPLES	
				'S' Adv Depot Medical Stores	(b)		
				'T' Adv Depot Medical Stores	(a)	CREMONA	NAPLES
				113 Mobile Dental Unit	(a)	FRIULI	PIEDIMONTE
				- Mobile Dental Unit	(b)	FOLCORE	PIEDIMONTE

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34	696	519 Field Hospital (a)	FRIULI	SAN GIORGIO	
		576 Field Hospital (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	
12	92	230 Field Hospital (a)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	To remain attached to Reinforcement Depot
#1	12 24	232 Field Hospital (a)	FOLGORE	PIEDIMONTE	
		429 Field Hospital (a)	CREMONA	AFRAGOLA	
#2	14 24	470 Field Hospital (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	
		866 Field Hospital (b)	FOLGORE	PIEDIMONTE	
41	6 32	522 Field Hospital (b)	FOLGORE	AFRAGOLA	
		229 Field Hospital (c)		AFRAGOLA	
		964 Field Hospital (c)		AFRAGOLA	
		518 Field Hospital (c)		ENNA, SICILY	To remain in present location
		520 Field Hospital (c)		SARDINIA	until called up.
		34 Field Surgical Unit (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	
		131 Field Surgical Unit (b)	FOLGORE	PIEDIMONTE	
		130 Field Surgical Unit (a)	FRIULI	NAPLES	
		44 Field Surgical Unit (a)	CREMONA	ALTAVILLA	
		29 Mobile X-Ray Unit (b)	LEGNANO	PIEDIMONTE	All-Italian Equipment
		133 Mobile X-Ray Unit (a)	FRIULI	NAPLES	
		'S' Adv Depot Medical Stores (b)			Could be formed from depot now at CSINC
		'T' Adv Depot Medical Stores (a)	CREMONA	NAPLES	Now being formed
		113 Mobile Dental Unit (a)	FRIULI	PIEDIMONTE	Italian equipment. Now in use.
		- Mobile Dental Unit (b)	FOLGORE	PIEDIMONTE	Italian vehicle has arrived from NORTH AFRICA. Unit will now be formed.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
MISCEL- LAND US	4 Hot Laundry and Bath Units	111/293/1	12	252			
	1 Mobil Laundry Co	~~APP A to~~ ~~1701/23/48/G~~ (SD2)	5	120			
	~~1 Mobil Bath~~ Unit	~~1701/23/48/G~~ (SD2)	4	72			
	1 Transit Camp	'APP' A to 1701/23/48/G (SD2)	6	105	58 Combat Group Transit Camp	(a) FRIULI	BENEVENTO and VAIRAN
	1 Reinforcement Training Depot	of 5 Oct 44 Not confirmed	12	105	Combat Groups Reinforcement Regt	(a) LEGNAN	PIEDIMONTE
		TOTAL	190	371 ~~200~~			
PREVIST	3 Sections Carabinieri Isali	NA/524/1	6	150	316 Section Carabinieri 317 Section Carabinieri 318 Section Carabinieri	(a) CREMONA (b) VULGARE (c) MANTOVA	ROME

- Notes. 1. If the process of mobilization of any unit is not completed when the "Parent Group" as the reorganisation area this responsibility will pass to the Group taking over the same.
2. When an official establishment has not yet been issued the reference in Col 3 is to AA forwarding establishments as approved by AA War Establishments Committee.
3. Units marked (a) to support first two Groups
Units marked (b) to support second two Groups
Units marked (c) to support third two Groups

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	4	5	6	7	8
12	252				
5	120				
4	72				
6	105	58 Combat Group Transit Camp	(a) FRIULI	BENEVENTO and VAIRAN	~~Nucleus of 2 Bath units exist, with 52~~ ~~Sezione Sanita, ex-LEGHANE and under~~ ~~Direzione Sanita, SARDINIA~~ H.Q. at BENEVENTO, detachment at VAIRAN. In process of formation
12	105	Combat Groups Reinforcement Regt	(a) LEGHANE	PIEDIMONTE	In process of formation
190	371 ~~304~~				
6	150	316 Section Carabinieri 317 Section Carabinieri 318 Section Carabinieri	(a) CREMONA (b) FULGORE (c) MANTOVA	ROME	Moving to PIEDIMONTE Not yet formed

Utilization of any unit is not completed when the "Parent Group" as per column 6 leaves
area this responsibility will pass to the Group taking over the same part of the Area.

Establishment has not yet been issued the reference in Col 3 is to AAI's letters to AFHQ
elements as approved by AAI War Establishments Committee.

support first two Groups
support second two Groups
support third two Groups

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SECRET

U.S. L. A. SIGNAL OPERATION ORDER NO. 1

Copy No. 9INFORMATION

A wireless link now exists between HQ MILA at Rome and 50 B.L.U. at SAN GIORGIO.

OPERATION

1. To maintain existing wireless link, and to establish communication with 52 B.L.U. (as per Appendix 1A).
2. The station at 50 B.L.U. will serve 51 B.L.U. and also at 52 B.L.U. will serve 53 B.L.U.
3. HQ MILA ROME will be control station.

METHOD

1. Base
The two Italian stations now in situ at HQ MILA and 50 B.L.U. respectively, will remain.
Capt GOULD-DAMS G.O.R. Sigs 52 B.L.U. will produce a No. 9 Set from his Rear Link Signals to join this group.

2. Personnel
The two Italian crews at present manning the Italian station at HQ MILA and 50 B.L.U. will remain.
Capt GOULD-DAMS will produce an Italian Crew to work the No. 9 Set operating at 52 B.L.U.

3. Ciphers
The 11 cipher set now at 50 B.L.U. will move to 52 B.L.U. and report to Capt GOULD-DAMS.
Cipher personnel for 50 B.L.U. will be found from 50 B.L.U. Rear Link.

4. Time
The No. 9 Set at 52 B.L.U. will join the net at 0800 hours 30 Oct 44. Netting of the group will be carried out at this time on frequency 3.45 mc.

5. Code Signs and Frequencies

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METHOD

1. To maintain existing wireless link, and to establish communication with 52 B.L.U. (as per Appendix 'A').
2. The station at 50 B.L.U. will serve 51 B.L.U. and the station at 52 B.L.U. will serve 53 B.L.U.
3. HQ MIA ROM will be control station.
4. Sets
The two Italian stations now in situ at HQ MIA and 50 B.L.U. respectively, will remain.
Capt GOULD-ADAMS S.O.R. Sigs 52 B.L.U. will produce a No. 9 Set from his Rear Link Signals to join this group.
5. Personnel
The two Italian crews at present manning the Italian station at HQ MIA and 50 B.L.U. will remain.
Capt GOULD-ADAMS will produce an Italian Crew to work the No. 9 Set operating at 52 B.L.U.
6. Cipher
The MIA cipher det now at 50 B.L.U. will move to 52 B.L.U. and report to Capt GOULD-ADAMS.
Cipher personnel for 50 B.L.U. will be found from 50 B.L.U. Rear Link.
7. Time
The No. 9 Set at 52 B.L.U. will join the net at 0800 hours 30 Oct 44. Netting of the group will be carried out at this time on frequency 5745 kcs.
8. Code Signs and Frequencies
Code Signs and Frequencies as per Appendices 'A' and 'B'.
9. Ask

W. H. Long
Major
S.O.R. Signals

Dist:- S.O.R. Sigs 50 BLU
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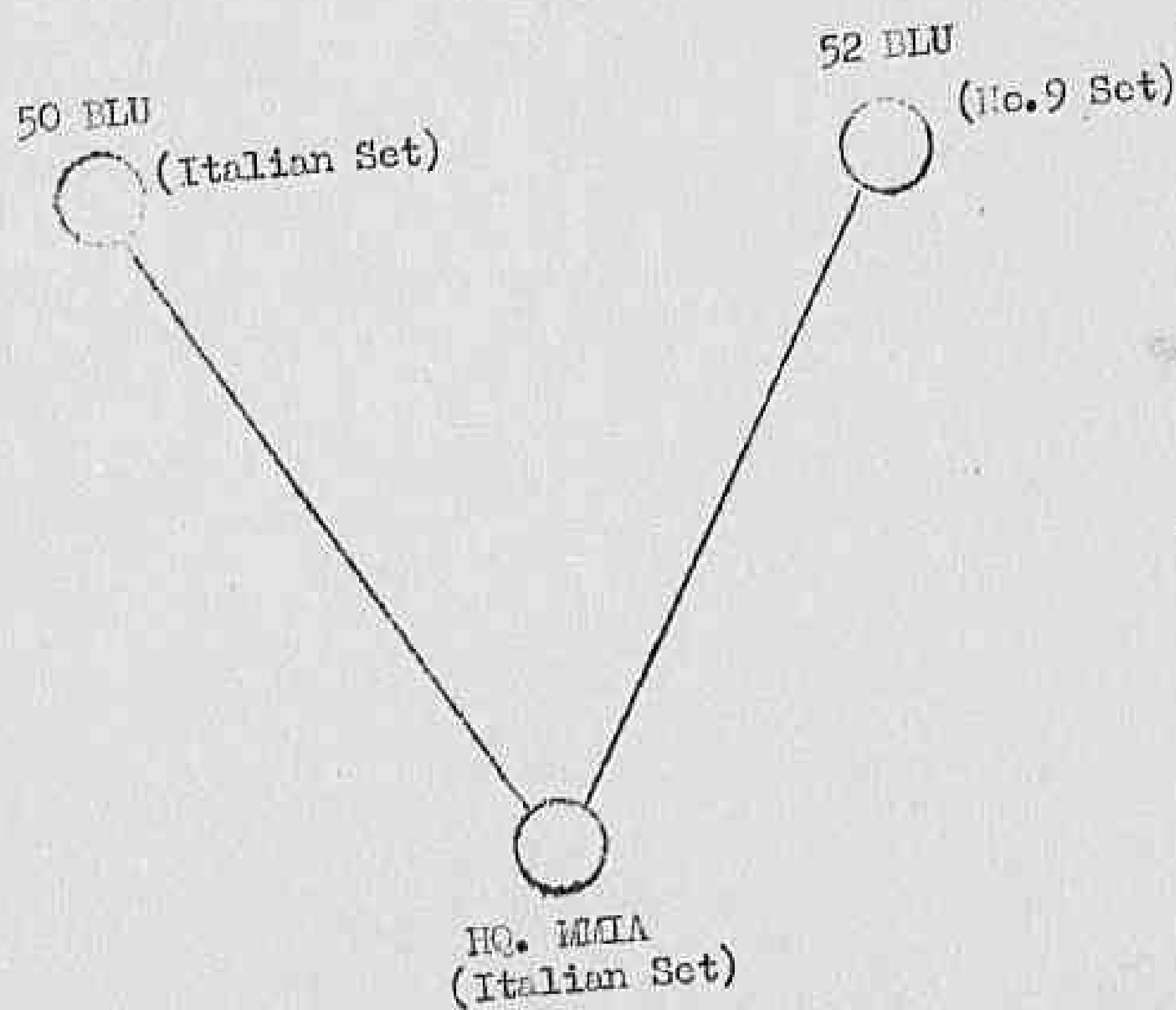
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26 OCT 44.

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APPENDIX 'A' to MMIA Signals Operation Order No. 1



Frequencies : 3745 Kcs
4960 Kcs

Time of working: 0800 - 2200 hrs daily.
No set will close without permission
of the control station.

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APPENDIX 'B' to MMIA Signals Operation Order No.1

Code Signs as listed hereunder will be used on the wireless net.

	<u>OCT</u>		<u>N O V E M B E R</u>				
	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
50 BLU	UUF	OTU	FIX	KYN	PXN	TWD	MHK
52 BLU	REX	NAA	VBV	FBE	GXL	LEG	NGE

Further code sign extracts will be issued in due course.

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To:- MMIA, Rome
and for infm 53 BLU
From:- MMIA LO, FOLGORE

20 Oct 44

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MAJ
CIBR
25/10

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Per 26/10

Subject - 62 Officina Meccanica Pesante

1. The above wksp was assigned to FOLGORE from CIL resources.
2. According to confidential infm received from Rome dated 14 Oct 44, the Ministry of War intends to have this wksp transferred to Rome, 8 Centro Ricuperi.
3. If, as I presume it is merely intended to transfer eqpt after it has served its purpose here, i.e. after wksp has been equipped according to the new WE, there can be no objection.
4. If however it is proposed to make the transfer at an early date FOLGORE would be left without any means of keeping their vehicles on the road.
5. Personnel of this wksp is basis for EME wksp under the new est. If they were to be transferred wksp would not be formed.

A. H. Kelly
Engr.

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

8/30/30.

DATE TIME

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FROM: MMIA

TO: PAXTON

INFO: DISTANCE - PEE PASS MIATO

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ONING WITHDRAWAL OF BORROWED PEE BY IN MAPLES NOW REQUIRED FOR OTHER
PURPOSES THE AVAILABLE PEE-III TPT CANNOT MEET BRITISH COMMITMENT OF
MOVING BATTALION FROM DEPOT TO LOADING POINT FOR DAILY PASS TRAIN TO
COMBAT GROUP (.) PART HOME AREA _____ PART (.)
MAXIMUM TPT TRUCKS REQUIRED (.) ALTERNATIVES ARE EITHER TO TAKE
COMBAT GROUP TRANSPORT WITH IMMEDIATE DELAY IN TRAINING AND RE-EQUIPING
PROGRAM OR DISTANCE TO LOAN TPT (.) REQUEST YOU DECIDE WHICH ALTERNATIVE
TO BE USED.

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FROM LAEE 241211A

TO DISTHREE

INFO : DISTHREE EAST, 52 AREA, 54 AREA, MMIA, 50 BLU
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YOUR SUGAR DOG SEVEN SEVEN ZERO OF TWO TWO OCTOBER IS [REFERENCE
X SIGNED S C CITE FHGCT PW43283] X ONE X CONSEQUENT UPON DECISIONS

RECENTLY TAKEN REGARDING USE OF MANTOVA AND PICENO DIVISIONS NO

MOVES INVOLVING PERSONNEL OF THESE TWO DIVISIONS WILL BE MADE UNTIL 3014

RECEIPT OF FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS

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SUBJECT: Auxiliary Units for first two Combat Groups.

TO : AFHQ (6 copies).

Copy to: Ministry of War
H.Q. AAI (2 copies)
50, 51, 52, 53 ELU's
3 District

Reference AFHQ/6442/Q(AM) of 20 October (not to all)

1. Attached at Appendix 'A' is a list of Auxiliary units which are required to be equipped as soon as possible to support the first two Combat Groups, and the Groups (with ELU's) who will be responsible for equipping them.

2. Owing to shortage of specialist personnel it has not yet been possible to form the General Transport Company which is also required. This question was referred to H.Q. AAI (copy to AFHQ) under our TS/G/29 of 23 September.

3. GAF will arrange for the immediate moves of units as indicated in Appendix 'A'.

4. Tail units will be equipped in the area of the parent Group except for the Advanced Depot Medical Stores which it is desired to keep in hand. 51 ELU will report if this creates any great difficulty.

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Copy to: Ministry of War
H.Q. AAI (2 copies)
50, 51, 52, 53 ELU's
3 District

Reference AFHQ/6442/2(12) of 23 October (not to all)

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Copy to: 4/3
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HPV co. 11 February

For Major General
M.N. I.A.

Forwarded to AAI
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APPENDIX A to
HHS Letter E/O/20/26 of 28 Oct

Auxiliary Units for Street the United Nations

Unit	Location for equipment	Talent Group for equipment	PLI	Remarks
1 Field Park Coy	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	
316 Field Bakery	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	
317 Field Bakery	Altavilla	CHROMA	51	
519 Field Hospital	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	Units not already
230 Field Hospital	Piedimonte	TRIOLI	52	located in area of
232 Field Hospital	Piedimonte	FOLGORE	52	assault group will be
429 Field Hospital	Altavilla	CHROMA	51	moved earliest under
130 Field Surgical Unit	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	local arrangements,
44 Field Surgical Unit	Altavilla	CHROMA	51	except "T" Adv. Depot
113 Mobile X-Ray Unit	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	Medical Stores.
113 Mobile Dental Unit	San Giorgio	TRIOLI	50	
"T" Adv Depot Medical Stores	Naples	CHROMA	51	3042
1200 Ammunition Car Platoon	Piedimonte	FOLGORE	52	Arriving from Bari. To be one platoon of M.A.C. in process of formation.
58 Combat Group Transport Cars	Benevento	TRIOLI	50	Detachment at Vairano. To be equipped from I.C. at Benevento.
Combat Groups Reinforcement Regt	Vairano Benevento Area	~~TRIOLI~~ ~~CHROMA~~	51	Moving from Piedimonte area.
316 Section Carabinieri	Piedimonte	FOLGORE	53	To move from Rome.

1 Field Bakery	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	Units not already
316 Field Bakery	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	located in area of
317 Field Bakery	Albavilla	CRONONA	50	Medical Group will be
519 Field Hospital	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	moved earliest under
230 Field Hospital	Piedimonte	PRULI	50	local arrangements,
232 Field Hospital	Piedimonte	PRULI	50	except "T" Adv. Depot
429 Field Hospital	Albavilla	CRONONA	50	Medical Stores.
130 Field Surgical Unit	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	3042
44 Field Surgical Unit	Albavilla	CRONONA	50	
113 Mobile X-Ray Unit	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	
113 Mobile Dental Unit	San Giorgio	PRULI	50	
"T" Adv. Depot Medical Station	Albavilla	CRONONA	50	
1200 Ambulance Car Platoon	Piedimonte	PRULI	50	Arriving from Bari. To be one platoon of M.A.C. in process of formation.
58 Combat Group Transit Camp	Piedimonte	PRULI	50	Detachment at Vairano. To be equipped from U.S. at Benevento.
Combat Group Reinforcement Regt.	Vairano	PRULI	50	Arriving from Piedimonte
316 Section Carabinieri	Piedimonte	PRULI	50	To move from Bari.

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INFO V LRLC NR25

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FROM MMIA LO LEGNANO 231700 A

TO MMIA

QGX GR33 BT

SD18. RESTRICTED. REF YOUR SD 1527 OF 18. FORZA CAMPANIA HAVE
ORDERED REINFORCEMENTS TO GO DIRECT TO LEGNANO GRUPPO IN THEIR
11147/MOB OF 20. REQUEST SNRE BE ASKED TO HAVE THIS ORDER CANCELLED.

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SENT NR25 24/1359 WB AR

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WPD 24/10

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

From MEMIA

140700 A 3

To EO HLU

811660

CONFIDENTIAL

Ref your query to INGLEDEN (.) PAREN ROME AREA PAREN

(.) NO rpt NO motor tpt accompanies gd units of MANTOVA and

PICARD due shortly in cons area

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FROM MAIN AAI

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33 Military Mission

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SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Misc.

5/8/30

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
CP/1160/G.1(BR)(Ser.0893)
20 Oct 44.

(4)

'A' & 'B' TRAINING INCREMENTS BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.

1. Reference AFHQ letter of even number (Ser.0745) dated 18 Sep 44.
2. Numbers have now been allotted to the above units by the War Office, and the designations mentioned in the above quoted letter are therefore superseded.
3. The correct designations are:-

<u>Old</u>	<u>New Designation</u>
'A'	54 TRAINING INCREMENT BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
'B'	55 - do -

APD

Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

General, Lt Col.

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DISTRIBUTION:-
(as per CP/1160/G.1(BR)(Ser.0745) of 18 Sep 44)

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FROM DISTHREE 221746
TO AFHQ (G3 ORG BRIT)
INFO DISTHREE EAST: 52 AREA: 54 AREA: MMIA: MMIS50 BLU
QQC GR 40 BT

SD770 RESTRICTED. REF MMIA SD 1585 OF 12 AND 1650 OF 21 OCT BOTH NOT
TO ALL. 2 BN 336 MANTOVA REGT READY TO MOVE AFTER RELIEF BY 25 OCT
BN CAN BE CONC AT BARLETTA IF REQUIRED. INSTRS REUUESTD

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SUBJECT: Formation of Units - TRF.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
CR/1160/G.1(BR)(Ser. 0902)
21 Oct 44.

'D' TRAINING INCREMENT (INFANTRY) TO BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
(FOR CRYPTO DI COMBATANTENI).

1. (a) The above mentioned increment will be formed on W.E. NA/542/1 with effect from 12 Oct 44 under the supervision of HC No.3 District.
- (b) Copies of the new W.E. will be distributed automatically by HC No.3 District. Additional copies, if required, may be obtained from No.10 Publications Depot. Indents should state that these copies are in addition to those received from HC No.3 District.
- (c) The above alphabetical designation will be used pending the allotment of a Unit number by the War Office.
- (d) Serial No. 41932 has been allotted to this Unit.

2. PERSONNEL

Postings will be effected as follows:-

- (a) Officers: (i) Staff Officers by Dep. Mil. Sec., } in conjunction
AFHQ. } with DMT,
(ii) Others by G.1.(B), AFHQ. } AFHQ.
- (b) Italian Other Ranks will be provided under arrangements to be made by No.33 Military Mission.

3. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT

Indents for the following will be submitted in accordance with instructions to be issued by HC No.3 District:-

- (a) Replacements of clothing, necessities and personal equipment to scale.
- (b) Unit equipment to scale AF G1098-1000 (less anti-gas stores).
- (c) Any other special or technical equipment of Ordnance supply, required additional to A.E. G1098 scale, in accordance with Special Equipment List issued by G(A.E.), AFHQ.
- (d) Transport to complete to W.E.

4. STATIONERY

Increment will submit demands based on two months' estimated requirements as indicated below:-

- (a) Army forms, Books and Stationery (Indent form AF L1593) to No.21 Stationery Depot.
- (b) Publications (Indent form AF L1594) to No.10 Publications Depot, (Indents to be endorsed "Initial Demand").
- (c) Office Machinery (Indent form AF L1592) to DESS, AFHQ.

5. PAY

Increment will be paid by the formation to which attached.

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AFHC, } with DMT,
(ii) Others by G.1.(B), AFHC } AFHC.
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5. PAY

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6. POSTAL

Postal address will be:- 'D' Trg Increment (Inf) to British Liaison Unit, CMF.

7. COMPLETION

- (a) HQ No.3 District will report to G.1.(B) L.1. Section, AFHC, copy to DMT, AFHC, when formation is complete.
- (b) If deficiencies of personnel still exist on 11 Nov 44, a statement will be rendered showing such deficiencies by ranks and trades.

8. ACK

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See. WP
26 Oct.

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The Under Secretary of State,
The War Office, (S.D.2.)

HC 441
Br. Increment Fifth (US) Army
HC Eighth Army
HC No. 1 District
HC No. 2 District
HC No. 3 District
CHQ 2nd Echelon
CHQ 2nd Echelon (SPATS)
51 B.L.U.
2 B.L.U.
3 B.L.U.
4 B.L.U.
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Reinforcements, CMT
No. 9 Publications Depot, RLSC
No. 10 Publications Depot, RLSC
No. 8 Command Pay Office
No. 21 Stationery Depot
Signalmaster, CMTPTL.

4	Dep. Mil. Sec.	
15	G.1.(B) L.9.	
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3	G.3(ORE.2) (Manpower)	(2)
3	G.3(ORE.2) (ORR&T)	(3)
3	G.3(TRE)	
9	C.(Maint)	(3)
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	L.D.P.S.S.	
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X Incl copy for new unit and distribution as necessary.

++ + W3D/134 of 15 Oct 44 refers.

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Subject : Adm. of units in Combat Gp. "tail".

53 BLU
Ref. G4-1
19 Oct. 44

HQ DMTA
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File 41 old file

1. Ref. your HQ letter S/SD/30 of 16 Oct. 44
2. No units are located in the area occupied by Combat Gp. Folgore which are not under adm. command of a Combat Gp.

LT. Col.

GS.

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