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SD/62 MAN POWER + REINFORCEMENTS 1st jacket
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Hereunder (in column 1) is HR-ITI ceiling which requires to be implemented as at 1 Aug. The figure for Rfta is for you to decide.

13 Jul 45

Lt. Col.
GS.HRs
AUTHORIZEDCEILING

(see below) 114,757

17,000	138,000	is Part II(a) ceiling.
7,500	<u>5,000</u>	is AFHQ HR-ITI Part II(b) reserve.
<u>139,257</u>	<u>143,000</u>	
	20,000	is Cooperator ceiling.
	10,000	is Florence Bds CC HR (HR-ITI).
	<u>7,500</u>	is HR-ITI Rft ceiling.
	<u>180,500</u>	Total HR-ITI commitment.

CEILINGS AND AUTHORIZED STRENGTHS - HR-ITI

The June total of authorized units was:-

Service	Category 3	73817	GRs	
		2934	Offrs	
Combat	Category 2	53542	GRs	
		<u>2855</u>	Offrs	
		<u>133413</u>		
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		<u>115276</u>	disbanded: GRs	17248
			Offrs	<u>624</u>
				<u>17672</u>

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130,000
 5,000
145,000
 is Part II(a) ceiling.
 is AFHQ HR-III Part II(b) reserve.

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Add
 789
 116065
 Vide Appx att, units to be
 formed: Offrs 24
 ORs 765
789

Delete 803,
 804, HRDs

1208
114757

No account has been taken in the Appendix attached (units for
 disbandment) of 227- 230 Tpt Coye, AC, which may be civilianized by 1 Sep.

Appendix 'A'

HR-ITL STATEMENT

As at 10 Jul 65

UNITS TO BE FORWARDED	STRENGTH			UNITS TO BE DISBANDED	STRENGTH		
	Off	Ons	Off	Ons	Off	Ons	Off
<u>KINGS</u> HQ 28 Engr Bn HQ 502	4	12		<u>PROVOST</u> :499 Rd Sign Maint Coy 24:	1	57	87
	4	12	8	<u>S & T</u> :21, 252, 253 Pk Tpt : Gp HQ	12	93	
				:3 Pack Tpt Coy	10	485	
				:250 "	10	485	
				:266-7-8-9 "	40	1940	
				:270-1-2-3 "	40	1940	843
				:1-2-3 Italian Gp Coys	27	1044	
				:221-2-3-4-5-6 Tpt			
				:765: Coys (AC)	54	2082	81 3126
				<u>ENGRS</u> :60 Incr to Forestry : Gp HQ	2	29	
				:62 Forestry Coy	1	34	63
				<u>ENGRS</u> :461-2-3-4-5-6 IADs (AC)		102	102
				<u>MISC</u> :800-Incr to HQ 8 Army	2	116	2 116
				<u>ENR</u> :2 Pwr Regts	154	5114	154 5114
							7014
				<u>DET UNITS</u> :862 Int Unit (Nucleo I)			

1-2-3 Italian Gt Coy	54	2082	81	3126
221-2-3-4-5-6 Fyt Coy's (AO)	2	29		
60 Iner to Forestry Op HQ	1	34	3	63
62 Forestry Coy				
661-2-3-4-5-6 IADs (AO)	102			102
800 Iner to HQ 8 Army	2	116	2	116
12 Pmr Regts	154	5114	154	5114
862 1st Unit (Nucleo I) Reduction of WH	135	200		
810 Service Sqn	11	57		
809 Iner to 1 Special Force	72	382	218	639
			571	14090
PRIORITY LIST 8 UNITS NOT FORMED AND NOT NOW REANUTED	18	1299		
383-4-5 Ord Coy	35	1617	53	2916
31-2-3-4-5-6-7 Eng Coy				
OTHER PL 8 UNITS NOT TELEPHED BY AFHQ BUT NOT LIKELY TO BE FORMED	252			252
				624 17243

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CONFIDENTIALNOTES ON MANPOWER, ITALIAN ARMY.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E
A 016
14 July 45

1. The object of these notes is to show how the instructions given in AFHQ AG 091.711/061 GCI-O of 6 July para 6 can be carried out.

2. Attached at Appendix 'A' is a summary of

(a) Strength at which the ER-ITI category is to be maintained up to 31 Aug.

(b) Manpower available for the ER-ITI category up to 31 Aug.

The basis on which (a) above is calculated is shown in SD's appreciation of 13 July. This is of course a matter for AFHQ to decide, but the figures shown are based on instructions so far received.

3. The situation at 31 August may be summarised as follows :-

Requirements of ER-ITI Category 31 Aug	140,000
Estimated strength of ER-ITI Category 31 Aug	150,000
Surplus of strength over requirements	10,000

4. The surplus of strength over requirements could be met by demobilising the 1915 class (8,000 in ER-ITI category) between now and 31 August. It is recommended that this should be done.

5. The ITI-ITI category is operating satisfactorily on a strength of 59,000 (30 June) against a ceiling of 69,000. A further reduction of 3,000 has now been planned and the loss of 2,000 men through the demobilisation of the 1915 class could be accepted.

6. On the ER-ITI side losses by demobilisation of 1915 class can be met by holding back men who would otherwise have been transferred to ER-ITI category or by further gradual reductions.

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CONFIDENTIALAPPX 'A' TO A OLS of 14 JulyMANPOWER SITUATION - BR-ITI CATEGORY

(a)

Strength required
at 31 Aug
(incl cooperators)

140,000

Strength 30 June
(~~incl~~ cooperators)

135,000

(b)

Ceiling

180,500

Increases anticipated up
to 31 August

Transfers ex US-ITI

20,000

Volunteers, return of
AWOL, hospital, etc.

2,000

BR-ITI Cooperators

11,000

TOTAL INCREASES

33,000

Losses anticipated up
to 31 August

By demobilization

15,000

Wastage

3,000

TOTAL DECREASE

18,000

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US-ITI Cooperators	11,000
TOTAL INCREASES	33,000
Losses anticipated up to 31 August	
By demobilization	15,000
Wastage	3,000
TOTAL DECREASE	18,000
Net increase up to 31 Aug	15,000
Ret Strength 31 Aug	150,000
Surplus over requirements	10,000
Deficiency to ceiling	39,500

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SECRETSUBJECT: Italian Army Strength

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 15/C/4
/ Jun 45

TO : AFHQ (C-3 ORG) - 5 copies

GENERAL

1. Ref your FX 73294 dated 23 Dec, I feel that you should know the difficulties confronting MIA as regards maintenance of Italian Army Strength and the action taken.

CEILING AND STRENGTH

2. Appendix "A" attached shows the ceilings and strengths by categories as at 22 Dec 44. From this it can be seen that some 48,000 personnel were required to complete to ceiling, apart from replacement of wastage, while the "free" reinforcements total only 2,000 for ER-ITIS.

PAST HISTORY

3. In Aug 44 the Army was 32,000 over strength and MIA was instructed to reduce to 309,000.
4. In Oct 44 the strength fell by 17,000 and this was reported to you with reasons in MIA letter G/11/5 of 29 Oct 44.
5. On 31 Oct 44 BGS (SD) AFHQ personally visited this HQ and stated that owing to lack of clothing all call-ups should be temporarily suspended. However, after discussion, he agreed to nominal call-up and this was confirmed in MIA letter SD/49 of 31 Oct.

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AREA	TARGET	RESULT
ROME and LAZZIO	14,000	3,700
ABRUZZI	6,000	2,000

7. A Call-up is proceeding in SICILY now - see para 32 (c) below.

8. A further call-up is projected:-

(a) For SARDINIA in Feb and March - vide MIA signal SD 1948 dated 17 Dec. This depends on shipping.

(b) For UMBRIA and MARCHE. This depends on accommodations for the personnel called up. The Italian owned barracks are now in occupation of the Allies. By AQ/2483 dated 23 Dec refers.

REMARKS

9. The two main reasons for the present situation are:-

(a) Meagre results of Call-ups.

(b) Heavy and abnormal wastage.

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The reasons for 9 (a) are:-

(a) Lack of enthusiasm to enlist, owing to war weariness, sense of defeat and despair, economic conditions, conditions of service including shortage of clothing, blankets etc. This is the fundamental reason.

(b) Feeling against enlistment due to the remains of pro-Fascism, to reluctance to enter an Army which had failed so disastrously and reluctance to furthering the Allied Cause at a time when the Armistice terms are not known and ITALY is being treated as a conquered nation - vide in this connection report by Captain OLLIVER 51 Field Security Section dated 28 Dec on the SICILY Call-up.

(c) Over-lenient exemption laws.

(d) Lack of territorial organization.

(e) Difficulties and inefficiency of the Italian Military Authorities in organizing Call-ups.

(f) Weariness and loss of prestige of CUR in enforcing Call-up.

(g) Shortage of transport in collection or round-up of personnel in Call-up.

(h) Difficulty of estimating the numbers of each class owing to the great movement in population.

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(1) Clothing for Combat Groups - during Sept/Oct. the responsibility for provision was changed 4 times, resulting in men having only their worn out summer clothing till Nov.

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- (11) Role of VICAMO Combat Group - changed from Combat I.S. to loan to CC RE and now required to provide reinforcements in men having only their worn out summer clothing till Nov.

This materially had wide repercussions on the morale of the

soldiers and dependent people.

ACTION TAKEN

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The following action has, however, been taken:-

- (a) Attempt has been made to raise enthusiasm and morale by statements in the Press of the good work done by the Italian Army; parade of Combat Groups through Rome; improvement in pay and conditions of service; a drive for better welfare arrangements; as far as possible, that Italian Officers (the weak link) look after their men etc.

- (b) Stricter exemption laws. In this connection, I would mention the large number of exemptions in 3 District approved in your FY 5505 of 8 Dec. PAS give practically no exemptions.

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- (c) Introduction of a complete territorial organization - vide MIA letter IS/O/12 dated 26 Dec.
- (d) Better organization of Call-ups. MIA IC's have been present during the addition and SICILY Call-ups and their comments and recommendations have been sent to Ministry of W.R.
- (e) The work of the CC RR a.s. has been ordered to take energetic steps to see that CC RR do their job properly. In SICILY, for instance, some 80 men who did not obey the Call-up have been arrested and punished. The result has been that this Call-up is proceeding more satisfactorily than any to date.
- (f) Moreover, with the organization of mobile CC RR Bns (see para 14.12/253 GCI-O of 28 Dec) CC RR will have more control and their prestige will be raised thereby. This can be extended to all Italy and SARDINIA in due course.
- (g) Owing to the repair organization set up by MIA in Sicily, (to be extended later to the mainland) more M.T. is becoming available.
- (h) Organization of proper reinforcement Depots at BRACCIOLE, where MIA, MIA and GARVIZIO, in place of the large number of dispersed small depots.
- (i) Request to you for the return of 3,000 personnel of PIGMC Combat Group lent to CC RR, who are now over their ceiling. HQ A.S. letter 3000/005 of 31 Dec refers.
- (j) Introduction by Ministry of War of a more severe scale of punishments and quickening up of the procedure for awarding same. This includes the setting up of Divisional Tribunals with wide powers of punishment.
- (k) I have discussed with the Italian military authorities the possibility of demanding the repatriation of P of War service with the Italian army. The C.G.S. has applied to P of War for a statement for the repatriation of 2,500 officers and 10,000 other ranks to be specially selected, the officers largely of the Army (various varieties) and the men specialists - which we do badly need. I am entirely in favour of this scheme, which will be of great benefit to you shortly. I have reason to believe that the

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(1) Organization of proper reinforcement Depots at BRACOLINO, C. L., REAI and CIVILIO, in place of the large number of dispersed small depots.

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It is to be noted that the best section of the Italian People is either P of W or the more virile population in the North. We are thus trying to compete with, on the whole, the least suitable Italian manpower.

(5) I have on many occasions discussed all the above personally and forcibly with the Minister of War and he has been taking a strong line with his people to see that this action is properly carried out.

CONCLUSION

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(1) From all the above it will be realized that the present state of affairs is the result of a conglomeration of inevitable causes, inherent in the existing situation and many of which are beyond our control.

(2) Energetic action will continue to be taken and it is hoped that the Italian manpower situation will gradually right itself when the 1945/46 year period (which has resulted in much loss of life) is over and as the action taken begins to take effect.

Copy to: C. L.

Major General
M. J. L. L.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-3 DIVISION.

File Ref : ASD/922

SUBJECT : Personnel - Italian Army - (BR-ITT)

TO : ALL Concerned.

15 January 1945.

Agenda for Meeting to be held in
G-3 Crg Conference Room at
1030 hrs Tuesday 16 Jan 45.

1. The following notes are designed to serve as a basis for discussion and are not intended to indicate any finality of plan.

2. A statement of Italian Army Manpower for January, February and March is attached, showing the deficiencies which will be outstanding at the end of each month providing reinforcements can be fed to units at the average rate of 8,000 per month for Service units and 7,000 per month for Combat Units. Most of the personnel have to be clothed, and given a little basic military training before being sent to units. This should not take more than 3 or 4 weeks, the rest of the training being done either at CESANO Rpt Trg Centre or in units.

3. PROBLEM I - SYSTEM OF REINFORCEMENT

(a) COMBAT GROUPS

(i) Armies will be responsible for ensuring that unit strength returns by ranks and trades are passed through Combat Group HQ to the RTC ICP at CESANO at stated intervals, with copies direct to the Ministry of War and to the Land Forces Sub-Commission.

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(ii) The Ministry of War will be responsible for keeping records for the whole of the Italian Army, and these records will be made available to the Military Mission at any time. The Military Mission will publish a monthly statement of the current strength state in accordance with existing procedure.

(iii) The Italian Staff at CESANO will be responsible for selecting the reinforcements in accordance with deficiencies by ranks and traces. The British Liaison Staff will be responsible for checking that proper selection has taken place and will be responsible for making arrangements with Movement Authorities. A regular flow of reinforcements will be maintained at the rate of 200 per week for each Combat Group in the line until further notice.

(iv) HQ RMAC will be responsible for operation and adm of CESANO Rft and Trg Centre.

(v) The number of rfts held in CESANO will not exceed 20% of the total authorised strength of the Combat Groups.

(vi) The provisions for reinforcements will be subject to the regulations for leave and sickness laid down in this HQ letter 'Command and Administration of the Italian Army' file ref AC 091/711/169 GCT-0 dated 16 November, 1944.

(b) AUXILIARY UNITS FOR COMBAT GROUPS

(i) When Auxiliary Units are working directly with Combat Groups, procedure will be as for units of the Combat Groups.

(ii) Where Auxiliary Units are working in the L of C and are not in contact with Combat Groups, strength returns will be sent by these units through the nearest Italian Adm Div HQ which will ensure that they are sent to CESANO, with copies to the Ministry of War and to the Military Mission.

(c) SERVICE UNITS.

(i) 3 District will be responsible for the operation and adm of Base Rft Depots at TRANI and AFRAGOLA. 1 District will be responsible for the operations and adm of the Base Rft Depot at ORVETO.

(ii) Rfts will be drawn from ~~the~~ Base Depots as under:-

British Increment Fifth Army }
Eighth Army } ORVETO.

1 District

TRANI

3 District }
Adm } AFRAGOLA.

(iii) Armies and Districts will be responsible for ensuring that units forward deficiency and strength returns by rail and trades through the nearest Italian Adm Div HQ at stated intervals to the appropriate Base Rft Depot with copies direct to the Ministry of War and to the Military Mission.

(iv) The Military Mission will be responsible for ensuring that an appropriate allocation of personnel is made to each Depot in accordance with the overall allocation laid down by AFHQ (see Minutes of Meeting of 11 December reference 922.2 dated 14 Dec 44, subject 'Reinforcement of the Italian Army', page 4 para 10).

(v) The Italian Staff at each Base Rft Camp will be responsible for keeping a record of unit strengths ensuring that rfts

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British Increment File
 Eighth Army } OVERLAP

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(v) The Italian Staff at each Base Rft Camp will be responsible for keeping a record of unit strengths ensuring that Rfts are selected in accordance with unit deficiencies by ranks and trades.

(vi) The British Staff will be responsible for seeing that selection is properly carried out by the Italians, and will arrange movement with the appropriate Movement HQ.

(vii) Depots will hold reinforcements to the number equal to 5% of the strength of the units served by the Depot, plus any trainees held against the NE strength of the units.

(viii) Regulations for Leave and Sickness will apply as for Combat Rfts.

(d) MULETERS

(i) 1 District will be responsible for the operation and Adm of the Pack Tpt Trg Centre at POSSUMERONE.

(ii) Rft procedure will be as laid down for other Service Rfts.

4. PROBLEM II - OTHER SUBJECTS AFFECTING C-1(S)

Reference letter file ref. ASD/922.2 dated 14 Dec. subject 'Minutes of Meeting held at AFHQ on Monday 11 Dec. '44'.

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(a) EXEMPTIONS FROM ENLISTMENT

- (i) This is entirely a personnel matter. G-1(A) and G-1(B) were asked on 11 Dec. '44 to call a meeting to discuss which categories of personnel should be exempt from enlistment.
- (ii) The Army calls for men from classes 1914 to 1924 inclusive, and it is felt that civil employees should be taken from personnel outside these age groups. The American view is that no exemptions should be granted.
- (iii) Districts are of the opinion that the call-up will cripple civil labour.
- (iv) Priorities will have to be established between civil and military demands for men between the ages of 20 and 30.

(b) TRANSIT CAMPS

- (i) The MIA contention that Transit Camps are not required has been opposed by HQ 15 Army Group, who have formed 806 Italian Transit Camp, and who are calling for a further transit camp to be established near ARZIZO to deal with Service Rfts.
- (ii) Will G-1(B) find 1 Districts' requirements in this matter, and determine whether any further camps are required in addition to IESL, ARZIZO and 58 Combat Force Transit Camp.

(c) MOVEMENT OF ITALIAN RPTS

- (i) British Staffs at Base Depots will make the necessary bids for movement of rfts through DISTRICT HQ., who will forward them to G-1(B), copy to G-4 (M & Th) and to MIA.
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(iii) Moves of parties under 50 would be arranged direct by the British staff of the Depots with the nearest Mov HQ. G-1(B) will be kept informed of all such moves by signal.

(d) WELFARE

(i) In order to cut down the very considerable losses to the British supply services due to the high rate of desertion, some sort of welfare service will have to be instituted by the Italians. G-1(B) might well approach the appropriate Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission with a view to arranging the Italian manufacture of welfare facilities such as dartboards and footballs etc.,

(ii) It is also for consideration whether Welfare Officers should be lent to the Italian Army to instruct in welfare services. It is understood that this has been agreed by the Director of Welfare.

(iii) It will be necessary for ARHQ to lay down the extent to which Allied resources can be made available to the Italian Army under the terms of para. 16(b) of "Command and Administration of the Italian Army" - NAATI Supplies. It is thought that an issue of cigarettes might be possible, and such action might reduce pilferage from Allied stocks. It is suggested that G-1(B) Welfare might take this up with G-4 and Q(Maint).

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(e) PAY

(i) The rates of pay for Combat Troops are understood to be satisfactory, but there is a good case for raising the pay of muleteers to the same level. It is suggested that G-1(B) might pursue the matter through G-5 in order to bring political pressure to bear on the Italian Government.

(ii) The pay of the remainder of the Italian Army is understood to be pitifully inadequate and it is suggested that pressure should be brought to bear on the Italian Government to have this increased. The low rate has a very bad effect on the morale of Service Troops who need much more encouragement, and it is felt that the results to the Allied benefit would outweigh the importance of the Italian Budget.

5. CONCLUSION

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(d) Finally, since the Combined Chiefs of Staff have decided that the Italian Army will be divided into National Categories, US-III, BR-III and IT-III, the British have become responsible for the adm and operation of the BR-III category, and it is therefore up to British staffs to see that the best use is made of this source of manpower. It will be necessary to CIVE in order to GET.

/s/ W.W. HARRIS,
for

DANIEL MOORE,
Major General, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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AG 091.711/051 GCT-C

14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army Manpower - BR-ITI.

TO : President, Allied Commission, APO 394.
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA).

1. Reference is made to, this headquarters, cable F-83717, dated 12 January 1945. Attached at Appendix "A" is a table showing an estimate of the Italian BR-ITI Manpower State during January, February and March of 1945.

2. Excluding the combat reinforcements carried within the Service Ceiling, and giving up entirely the formation of new units, the following figures summarize the position:

a. SERVICE TROOPS (Cumulative totals)

<u>Gross Deficiency</u>		<u>Reinforcements</u>	<u>Net Deficiency on WE</u>
End JAN	20,386	11,695	8,691
End FEB	26,936	15,695	11,241
End MAR	33,486	23,695	9,791

b. COMBAT TROOPS (Cumulative totals)

<u>Gross Deficiency</u>	<u>Reinforcements</u>	<u>Net Deficiency on TE</u>
End JAN 14,926	6,403	8,523
End FEB 19,426	12,403	7,023
End MAR 23,926	20,403	3,523

3. Provision of drivers for the Allied Commission has NOT been considered in these figures, nor has the proposed demobilization of 60,000 troops when Northern Italy is liberated. The 3,000 PICENO troops now serving under the control of the Allied Commission have been included in the reinforcements for Combat Groups.

4. In spite of the fact that the reinforcement figures are slightly higher than the allocation of clothing and equipment which Q(AE) are able to make available (6000 per month), it will be noted that the Service Troops are likely to continue to decrease in number. 700*

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5. Reinforcements for Combat Groups are also shown at a higher figure than there are immediate prospects of clothing and equipping but it will be noted that the present large deficiency in Combat Troops could be greatly reduced, and possibly eliminated, by further sacrifice of Service Troops.

6. It is likely that the three months under review will be the worst of the year, and that later the wastage will decrease with the coming of fine weather.

7. The future policy regarding ER-ITI troops is under review, but you are requested to forward comments on the figures shown, as soon as possible.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

Jack Carter
JACK CARTER,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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Appendix "A"

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STATEMENT OF ITALIAN ARMY INVENTORY AT 12

BR - ITIs				EXISTING UNITS				
Category	Ceiling	Auth. Strength	Actual Strength	Monthly Test- age	Current Deficiency	Deficiency and Jan	Deficiency and Feb	Deficiency and Mar
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
<u>SERVICE Tps</u>								
5th Army (Brit. Inc.)			(13,476)	1,550				
5th Army			(10,775)	1,100				
1 District			(13,145)	1,200				
3 District			(17,346)	1,000				
Existing Pack Coys			()	700				
New Pack Coys			()	1,000				
New Ing. Centre	93,000	64,136	()	100	9,186	15,736	22,926	28,036
Reinforcements	4,650	4,650	()		2,650	4,650	1,550	4,550
TOTAL-Service Tps	97,650	68,786	54,950	5,550	13,836	20,386	29,976	33,486

4 Add for balance of Combat Rfts, Not within Combat ceiling

					2,481	2,481	2,481	2,481
					16,317	22,867	25,417	35,967
<u>COMBAT Tps</u>								
COMBAT GROUPS	45,000	15,040	11,000	4,000	4,040	6,000	10,000	14,000
AUXILIARY UNITS	3,000	5,411	3,534	500	1,907	2,407	2,907	3,407
COMBAT Rfts	2,000	6,519	()		6,519	6,519	6,519	6,519
TOTAL-Combat Tps	50,000	26,969	14,534	4,500	12,466	14,926	19,426	23,926

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SUBJECT: Allotment of Italian Personnel
to the Allied Programme

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, AC (NMIA)

SD/147

14 Apr 45

TO : AFHQ (3)
CG MFCUSA
15 Army Group.

1. A statement is attached at Appendix "A" showing the allotment of Italian personnel to the Allied Programme for the month of March. This statement includes personnel who have changed category.

2. The total increase in manpower during the month was 30,860 distributed between categories as follows: -

US-ITI	12,366	40.07%
BR-ITI	13,598	44.06%
COMBAT	909	2.95%
ITI-ITI	3,987	12.92%
Total Increase: 30,860		100.00%

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L.M. Ingledew.
for Major General H. Cl.
NMIA

Copy to: Soviet Representative, AC.

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	US-ITI		BR-ITI		COMBAT	
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease
<u>CAL-UP IN</u>						
SARDINIA - Phase 1	4353		2902			
SARDINIA - Young soldiers			1537			
CAMP NIA			1013			
SICILY	393		1918			
APULIA	4422		3729			
LAZIO	603		17		24	
ABRUZZI			557			
REPATRIATES	2595		2856		476	
SARDINIA					44	
SCREENING AGENCIES			586		*112	
<u>TRANSFERS TO: -</u>						
US-ITI	-					
BR-ITI						
COMBAT						
ITI-ITI				253	253	
				1264		
TOTALS	12366	-	15115	1517	909	-
NET INCREASE	12366		13598		909	
	10.07%		11.06%		2.95%	

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Appendix "A" to MIA Letter
SD/147 Dated 16 Apr 45.

BR-JTI		COMBAT		ITI-JTI		REMARKS
Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	
2902				1034		(1914-24 Classes) 1 - 19 Feb.
1537						(1924-25 classes) 19-31 Mar.
				299		2596 awaiting shipment.
1013				264		Round-up of Jan re-call.
1918						Extension of Jan re-call.
				802		Incl. volunteers.
3729				23		10-28 Feb and round-up
17		24				Round-up of Jan re-call.
557						Round-up of re-call.
2856		476				Mainly ex-Balkans. Includes 812
						ex-MIDEAST repatriated for service
				301		as Muleteers.
		44				Mainly surplus personnel ex-
586		*112				CALABRIA Div.
						* Local enlistment to Combat Groups
	253	253		1264		Includes 700 APULIAN Call-up moved
	1264					from TRANS to PROSINONE.
15115	1517	909	-	3987	-	TOTAL INCREASE 30,860
13428		909		3987		
44,068		2.95%		12.92%		

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SUBJECT: Holding of surplus personnel against
Demobilization - BR-ITI Units.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R C M E

A 617

26 April 45

TO : Ministry of War.

1. The proposals contained in your 208450/II of 11 April are being carefully considered with the Allied authorities concerned. This letter is limited to the steps which may be taken to provide trained reinforcements for BR-ITI units in preparation for the demobilization of the first four months of the 1914 class and of older classes, as soon as their homes are accessible.
2. It is not possible, without exceeding the authorized ceiling, to post to units, surplus to W.E., as many reinforcements as are required to replace demobilizable personnel. The most that can be done, if enough personnel are to be left in depots to meet normal wastage and to form new units, is to send to units sufficient reinforcements to bring them up to W.E. plus 5%.
3. Administrative divisions and Combat Groups are therefore authorized to demand on BRD's or RTC ICF for reinforcements to bring units up to W.E. plus 5%, and to keep them at this figure as losses occur. This will enable Service units to give a certain amount of apprenticeship training in the various trades to their reinforcements which could not be adequately carried at BRD in present circumstances.
4. Requirements of personnel for the surplus 5% will be shown on returns to BRD's and RTC ICF separately from normal requirements to complete W.E. BRD's and RTC ICF will give the following priority in allotting personnel :-

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- (a) bring existing units up to W.E.
- (b) form new units as required
- (c) supply reinforcements for 5% surplus

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5. Units need not necessarily ask for the 5% surplus to be provided. They will only do so when they are capable of receiving them and if authorized by the employing British formation.

6. The above procedure is a temporary expedient only and may be discontinued at any time if considered desirable.

W. P. Dickson
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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COPY TO: AFHQ for C-1 (Br)
C.G. 15 Army Group
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H.Q. 8 Army
1 District (your 1D/120/A of 10 Apr refers)
2 District
3 District (your 380/7A of 14 April refers)
RASC
All BLU's
British Cadre 802 BRD
British Cadre 803 BRD
British Cadre 804 BRD
MMA LO Rear 8 Army
MMA LO British Increment FIFTH Army
MMA LO 1 District
MMA LO 2 District
MMA LO 3 District
MMA LO PBS
MMA LO Eastern Italy
MMA LO 52 Area
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SUBJECT: Italian Army Reinforcements System.

LANT FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

A 814

June 45

TO : ALL CONCERNED.

1. The object of this letter is to provide a summary of the rules now in force for the supply of reinforcements to all categories of the Italian Army.
2. Following a decision to save work in units by collecting figures required for strength states at the same time as those required for reinforcements (on the 15th and last day of each month), the Italian General Staff issued a circular, ref 15000/Mon of 20 May, giving details of the complete procedure.
3. Extracts from this circular, so far as it concerns reinforcements, are attached as follows for general information :-
 Appendix 'A' Reinforcements - System of Demands and Supply
 Appendix 'B' Proforma 'B' - Proforma for requests for reinforcements.
 Appendix 'B1' Rules for compiling Proforma 'B'
 Appendix 'C' Proforma 'C' - Nominal roll for reinforcement drafts
 Appendix 'C1' Rules for compiling Proforma 'C'
 Appendix 'D' Bilingual list of specialists.
4. Weekly returns, with details of specialist holdings, are required by M.M.I.A. and S.M.S.E. from BA-III and III-III Reinforcement Depots. These are the subject of a separate letter to the H.Q.'s concerned.

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 - Appendix 'C' Proforma "H" - Nominal roll for reinforcement drafts
 - Appendix 'C1' Rules for compiling Proforma "H"
 - Appendix 'D' Bilingual list of specialists
4. Weekly returns, with details of specialist holdings, are required by MMIA and SMRE from ER-III and III-III Reinforcement Depots. These are the subject of a separate letter to the H.Q.'s concerned.
5. British Directive No. 13 is cancelled. The procedure for Combat reinforcements will be as described in Appendix 'A' para 2.
6. This letter also amends MMIA SD/42 of 14 February.
7. It is emphasized that when reinforcements are required more urgently than can be provided under the procedure described, there is no objection to the Administrative Division, Combat Group, or similar formation making a special demand on the appropriate Reinforcement Depot, and the employing Allied formation, if necessary, arranging for movement. Such demands, unless other arrangements have been specifically authorized by MMIA, will only be met by the Depots if based on the difference between posted strength and W.E.

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HQ RAAC

HQ Allied Commission (for GI Br)

Motor Transport Group (Allied Commission)

Transportation Increment, ROME

ALL MMIA LO's

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Major General

M.M.I.A.

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APPX 'A' to 1921A Letter
A 014 of June 1945.

REINFORCEMENTS SYSTEM OF DEMANDS AND SUPPLY

1.

It is confirmed that :-

(a) Personnel must be struck off the unit strength in accordance with the following rules :-

Killed, died, and transferred to other units; immediately.
Missing, sick in hospital, A.W.O.L. after 30 days.

(b) Demands for reinforcements should be based on the difference between the W.R. (plus 5% where specifically authorized) and the posted strength.

2.

Combat Groups and Auxiliary Combat Units.

(a) Combat Groups, Auxiliary Combat Units, (through the Groups or other formations to which they are attached) the GARIBOLDI Regt., and the 1st Guard Regt., will send a fortnightly demand for reinforcements on Proforma 'C' (Appx 'B') to RTO ICF, CESANO, who will supply as available.

(b) Urgent requests may be forwarded at any time direct to RTO ICF info S.M.R.E.

(c) If RTO ICF, CESANO is not able to meet any requests for reinforcements it will inform S.M.R.E. who will take appropriate action.

3.

BR-III Units and Formations.

(a) 209, 227, 228, 230, 231 Divisions will forward a fortnightly demand for reinforcements on Proforma 'C' (Appx 'B') to the appropriate BRD. The BRDs responsible for supplying reinforcements are at present :-

802 BRD, ORVIBETO for 228, 230, and 231 Divisions.
803 BRD, RAVICANIMA for 209, and Western Section of 227 Divisions.

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or other formations to which they will send a fortnightly Regt., and the 1st Guard Regt., will send a fortnightly demand for reinforcements on Proforma 'C' (Appx 'B') to RTC ICF, CESIMO, who will supply as available.

- (b) Urgent requests may be forwarded at any time direct to RTC ICF info S.M.R.E.
- (c) If RTC ICF, CESIMO is not able to meet any requests for reinforcements it will inform S.M.R.E. who will take appropriate action.

3. BR-ITI Units and Formations.

- (a) 209, 227, 228, 230, 231 Divisions will forward a fortnightly demand for reinforcements on Proforma 'C' (Appx 'B') to the appropriate ERD. The ERDs responsible for supplying reinforcements are at present:-
- 802 ERD, ORVETO for 228, 230, and 231 Divisions.
- 803 ERD, RAVISCIANA for 209, and Western Section of 227 Divisions.
- 804 ERD, TRANI for the Eastern Section of 227 Division.

The ERDs will send forward personnel as available in accordance with directions received from the British Cadre, whose responsibility it is to give any decision on priorities in the event of the requested number not being available.

- (b) If a ERD is not able to meet all the demands received, it will inform the British Cadre for its decision, and also pass the information to the S.M.R.E.

- (c) Other BR-ITI formations (Railway Engineer Regt., A.C. Transport Column and various A.C. Units) will send their demands direct to S.M.R.E., who will make arrangements in agreement with M.M.I.A. for the supply of the reinforcements requested.

4. ITI-ITI Units and Formations.

- (a) Territorial H.Q.'s and Administrative Divisions (for ITI-ITI Units under their command) and other autonomous formations will send a fortnightly demand for reinforcements on Proforma 'C' (Appx 'B') to the PROSINONE Reg Centre, who will dispatch reinforcements in accordance with orders given by S.M.R.E.

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- (b) Decisions on priorities and on the number of reinforcements to be dispatched in the event of limited availability will be given by S.M.R.S. in agreement with M.R.I.A.

5. US-UK Units and Personnel.

The system already laid down by American H.Q.'s for 212, 203 and 210 Divisions will remain in force. These formations will not therefore complete Preform 'C' (Appx '3').

All demands for specialists will be based on the designations given in the bilingual list (Appx '3'). Besides giving the exact designation of the specialists required, the serial number of the specialist concerned should be shown in the appropriate column. In making demands by signal or telephone it is sufficient to give the serial number of the specialist followed by the number required, i.e. to indicate 10 drivers the following will be given:

10 21 03

If it is required to send any troops on this line, details will be forwarded to S.M.R.S. who will be in the next moments.

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6. All demands for specialists will be given in the bilingual list (Annex 12). Besides giving the exact designation of the specialists required, the serial number of the specialist concerned should be shown in the appropriate column. In making demands by signal or telephone it is sufficient to give the serial number of the specialist followed by the number required, i.e. to indicate 20 drivers the following will be given:

20 101

If it is required to replace a driver to this list, details will be forwarded to S.M.I. and will be included in the next communication.

7. All drafts of requisition for specialists they are sent, will carry the Nominal List of requisitioned, approved by (Annex 10).

8. The supply of requisitioned by 20 101, 101/102, 101/103 and to PROSIDENT Fy. Centre is the responsibility of S.M.I. in agreement with M.H.I.A.

NOTE: Bills for replacement of specialists are made by M.H.I. to Army of mid-day each Thursday for the week commencing ten days later. Information to complete such bills must reach M.H.I. as possible, not later than Wednesday each week as follows:

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From British Cadres at M.H.I. For all M.H.I. Services Units

From 1st B.L. M.H.I. For Combat Units

From S.M.I. For all M.H.I. Units

SPECCHIO RICHIESTA COMPLEMENTI

ai giorni 15 ed ultimo di ogni mese

Situazione alle ore 2359 del

CATEGORIA

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Movimenti di personale
durante la quindicina

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Uffici

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

Allegato 3 al foglio 16000 Mob. del

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CONSOLIDATED RFTs DEMAND

to be rendered for 15th and 30th (or 31st) of each month.

State at 2359 hrs on

CATEGORY (1)

DEFICIENCIES

REPARTO O CAMPO DI AVVIAMENTO

Stazione

REPARTI UNITS	Movimenti di personal durante la quindicina Pers. movements during fortnight				DEFICIENZE									
					Ufficiali Officers					S. T. generici ORs non-specialists			S. e tr. specializzati	
	U O	S.T. ORs	U O	S.T. ORs	Superiori Seniors	Capitani Captains	Subalterni Juniors	Sottufficiali Serjeants	Graduati Corporals	Soldati Privates				
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32				
Totali - Totals														

(I): F. I. C. (forze italiane di combattimento)

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ITI - ITI

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APPX 'B'1 to MHA A 014
of June 1943.

RULES FOR COMPILING AND SUBMITTING PROFORMA "C"

1. The pro-forma for demanding reinforcements, pro-forma "C" is the basic document for the despatch of reinforcements to make up deficiencies.
2. It is made up, with reference to 2353 hours on the 15th and last day of each month, on the basis of returns received from units and formations under command.

3. It is submitted by the following H.Q.'s :-

SUPREME GENERAL STAFF
Territorial Military Headquarters
Combat Groups
208, 227, 228, 230 and 231 Administrative Divisions
Sardinia Territorial Office
Garibaldi Infantry Regiment
H.Q. Railway Engineer Regiment
Motor Transport Group A.C.
I.A.I. and S.P.
War Ministry Autonomous Unit
SMSE Signals Battalion
1 Special Transport Coy S.M.R.E.
H.Q. Italian Refugee Units (for all sub-units under command)

4. As will be seen from the above list, pro-forma "C" is not submitted by US-ITI H.Q.'s (212, 205 and 210 Divisions).

5. If in one Territorial Headquarters or large administrative formation there are units belonging to different categories (combat, BR-ITI, ITI-ITI) a pro-forma "C" will be made out for each category.

6. Proforma "C" will be submitted

- (a) to Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C. (MHA) FORM 1 copy
- (b) to S.M.R.E. Uff. Ord e Mob 1 copy
- (c) for Combat units (Combat Groups, Auxiliary Units, Garibaldi Infantry Regt., 1 Guard Regt) to H.Q. RTC ICP, CESANO.
- (d) for BR-ITI Service units to the appropriate ERD, as follows:

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- (d) for ER-ITI Service units to the appropriate RD, as follows:

209 Div 803 BRD RAVISCANINA
 227 Div 803 BRD RAVISCANINA
 804 BRD TRANI

228 Div 802 BRD ORVIETO
 230 Div 802 BRD ORVIETO
 231 Div 802 BRD ORVIETO

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For ER-ITI units not included in the above administrative divisions the competent BRD's are :-

5 and 8 Army zones 802 BRD ORVIETO
 1 Dist zone 803 BRD RAVISCANINA
 2 Dist zone 802 BRD ORVIETO
 3 Dist zone 804 BRD TRANI

7. The following formations are exceptions to para 6.

- (a) H.Q. Railway Engineers Regt.,
- (b) H.Q. Motor Transport Group A.C. and all A.C. units,
- (c) H.Q. Italian Refugee Units

These units will send pro-forma "C" to MMIA and SMRE only. The latter will give orders to the BRD from which the reinforcements are to be drawn.

8. On pro-forma "C" deficiencies should only be shown for

- (a) H.Q.'s
- (b) Regiments or smaller autonomous units (down to Battalions or Groups, companies or batteries in the event of there being different destinations for the reinforcements)
- (c) various autonomous formations or establishments.

9. Pro-formas "C" must also show units or formations which have no deficiencies of personnel.

10. At the bottom, or on the back of pro-forma "C", will be shown the total surplus for the Territorial H.Q., or large formation compiling the return, as follows :-

- (a) officers (by rank and arm)
- (b) Senior WCO's (by rank and arm)
- (c) non-specialist rank and file (by arms)
- (d) specialist rank and file (by trade)

11. Headings for specialists will be entered up in the blank spaces at the top of the various sub-columns of Col 33. Designations will be taken from the list of specialists (see Appx "D") and the corresponding serial number will also be shown.

In order to simplify the work of examining the returns, specialists deficient should be listed in the same order as in Appendix "D".

If more convenient, deficiencies of specialists can be shown on a separate sheet from pro-forma "C". In this case, there should be one single column 33 on pro-forma "C" for the total of specialists required. This total would be broken down on a separate sheet.

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APPENDIX 'C' TO MMIA 014 OF JUNE 45
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DI ACCOMPAGNAMENTO COMPLEMENTI

MOD. "H"

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ROLL FOR REINFORCEMENT DRAFTS

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ENTE E LOCALITA' DI DESTINAZIONE }
 DESTINATION OF DRAFT }

Data di partenza }
 Date of leaving }

Vettovagliato sino al) . . . (data di assunzione in forza
 Rations issued up to) (presso l'ente ric.)
 (date of posting to new unit)

Nome Christian Name	N° di ma- tricola Soldier's No.	Classe Age Group	N. di servi spec. Spec. Serial No.	Specializ- zazione Trade	Corsi di addestramento seguiti Training courses completed

APPENDIX "C" I MMIA A 014
of June 1945.

RULES FOR THE COMPILATION AND USE OF PROFORMA "H".

1. Pro-forma "H", "Minimal Roll for Reinforcement Drafts" has the object of controlling reinforcements in movement, both during the move and on their arrival at the receiving unit; it is also to ensure that the reinforcements are employed in accordance with the purpose for which they were dispatched and according to their qualifications.
2. It will be compiled every time personnel are moved from one unit to another.
3. It will be forwarded in duplicate to the receiving unit by means of the O/C of the draft or the O/C of the escort personnel.
4. The receiving unit will retain one of these copies and return the other to the dispatching unit as a receipt, showing details of any personnel who went absent during the move or failed for any reason to arrive.
5. The dispatching unit will retain on strength the personnel in movement for as many days as days rations were issued at the time of departure. W.e.f. that date, which must be shown on the Roll together with the number of days rations issued, the personnel will be struck off of the strength of the dispatching unit and take on strength by the receiving unit.

For example: reinforcements which leave on the evening of the 10th, rationed for three days will be struck off the strength of the dispatching unit on the 14th, and taken on the strength of the receiving unit on the 17th.

4. The receiving unit will retain the personnel in movement for as many days as days rations were issued at the time of departure. N.e.f. that date, which must be shown on the Roll together with the number of days rations issued, the personnel will be struck off of the strength of the dispatching unit and take on strength by the receiving unit.

5. The dispatching unit will retain on strength the personnel in movement for as many days as days rations were issued at the time of departure. N.e.f. that date, which must be shown on the Roll together with the number of days rations issued, the personnel will be struck off of the strength of the dispatching unit and take on strength by the receiving unit.

For example: reinforcements which leave on the evening of the 10th, rationed for three days will be struck off the strength of the dispatching unit on the 14th, and taken on the strength of the receiving unit on the 14th.

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APPX 'D' to MMIA Letter
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BILINGUAL LIST OF TYPES OF SPECIALISTS PROVIDED
FOR IN THE WAR ESTABLISHMENTS IN FORCE.

1. The following list shows the headings corresponding to the categories of specialists most common amongst those provided for in the war establishments in force.

2. Each type of specialist is marked by a number followed by the letter 'S' (1S, 2S, 3S,). This indicative group is referred to in the various returns as "serial number of the type of specialist".

3. On the various returns, and generally speaking on any request or notification, there should always be shown :-

- (a) the serial number of the type of specialist
- (b) the exact heading corresponding to the type of specialist.

4. In telegraphic, telephonic, or radio notifications it is sufficient to show :-

- (a) the serial number of the type of specialist
- (b) the quantity of specialists to be notified.
For example, to notify "drivers i/e 15" the following should be sent :-

"15/S/15"

5. The headings corresponding to the specialists provided for in the War Establishments of the Combat Groups are underlined with a continuous line (_____). The additional headings for the specialists of the Combat Group Auxiliary Units are underlined with a broken line (_ _ _ _ _).

All the other headings correspond to specialists in War Establishments other than those of the Combat Forces.

6. All the headings are listed in alphabetical order.

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CALLS - UP

(Based on returns received as at 6 Jun 45)

DATE	DISTRICT/CLASSIFICATION	TARGET	OBTAINED	PERCENTAGE
15 Oct - 15 Oct	Lazio	1914 - 24	4,000	28.5
25 Oct - 7 Nov	Campania	1914 - 24	3,700	37.4
27 Oct - 2 Nov	Foggiana	1914 - 24	200	4.0
1 Dec - 10 Dec	Abruzzi	1914 - 24	2,200	33.3
1944 - 1945				
15 Dec - 5 Jan	Sicily (Phase 1)	1922 - 24 8,000		
1945				
6 Jan - 31 Mar	Sicily (Phase 2)	1914 - 21 6,000		
1 Apr - 15 Apr	Sicily (Phase 3)	1916 - 21 3,000 17,000	17,026	104.8 (incl 2,527 volunteers)
20 Jan - 31 Jan	Lazio (Exemptions)	1914 - 24 5,000	4,804	96.08

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Date	Location	1914 - 24	6,000	2,000	33.3
1 Dec - 10 Dec	Abruzzi	1914 - 24	6,000	2,000	33.3
1944 - 1945					
15 Dec - 5 Jan	Sicily (Phase 1)	1912 - 24 8,000			
1945					
6 Jan - 31 Mar	Sicily (Phase 2)	1914 - 21 6,000			
1 Apr - 15 Apr	Sicily (Phase 3)	1916 - 21 3,000 17,000	17,026		104.8 (incl 2,547 volunteers)
20 Jan - 31 Jan	Lazio (Exemptions)	1914 - 24 5,000	4,804		96.08
20 Jan - 31 Jan	Campania (Exemptions)	1914 - 24 6,400	7,116		111.19
10 Feb - 25 Feb	Apulia (Young Soldiers)	1924 (8) 25 20,000	16,834		93.17
1 Feb - 14 Feb	Sardinia (Phase 1)	1919 - 24 10,000	10,000		100.0 699.0
15 Mar - 31 Mar	Sardinia (Phase 3) Young Soldiers	1924 - 25 6,000	5,676		111.28
1 Apr - 15 Apr	Sardinia (Phase 2)	1916 - 16 5,000	4,367		72.8
Call up proceeding					
Apr 12	1915 - 24	1,500	926		61.73
Exemptions & Round - up					
<u>FUTURE CALLS</u>					
June	Foggia	Round - up	2,000		

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