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MOVES - SARDINIA

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Dec. 1944. Ap. 1945

COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNE D ALBERT

121200 B

TO : MMIA

SECRET

REF : Y 291

ITALIAN ARMY HQ SARDINIA
ADVISED THIS OFFICE THIS DATE THAT INCORRECT
RECRUITING STATION 1919-1924 CLASSES INTAKE
REPORTED FOR PERIOD 080900 TO 090900 CONSEQUENTLY
ACCUMULATIVE TOTAL FROM THAT DATE INCORRECT (.)
A MEND OUR Y 280 DATED 9 APRIL TO READ AS FOLLOWS :
RECALLS 1919-1924 CLASSES REPORTED 16 FOR A TOTAL
IN PERIOD FROM 15 MARCH OF 1853 (.)
A CUMULATIVE TOTAL CORRECTION OF 54 MEN (70 LESS 16)
MUST BE CARRIED DOWN FROM THAT DATE (.)
NEW SUBJECT (.) FURTHER TO OUR Y 287 DATED 10 APRIL (.)
FROM 100900 TO 110900 APRIL (.)
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-1924 CLASSES (.) REPORTED
17 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD FROM 15 MARCH OF 1879 ⁷⁴⁸⁰
SHIPPED 10441 AND 548 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.) 66 REPORTED FOR
A WEEK IN ABOVE PERIOD OF 6193 (.) 3164 SHIPPED TO
DATE AND 3029 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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Subject: Sardinia Call Up to Orvieto.

809/157

12 Apr 45

The following details are passed to you for information:

FROM AFHQ 112110B
 TO MOVWIT DMRS ROME
 INFO DISTHREE DISTONE MOVCENT MMIA

FX58717 CONFIDENTIAL.

1000 BARDINIAN CALL UP RFTS ~~KXXK~~ WILL MOVE BY RAIL IN ONE SPECIAL
 TRAIN OF BOXCARS FROM NAPLES TO ORVIETO ON 12 APR UNDER ARRANGEMENTS
 MOVWIT (.)

TIMINGS (.)	NAPLES	DEP 1600	12 APR	
	CASERTA	ARR 1800		DEP 1900
	ROME	ARR 0800	13 APR	DEP 1100
	ORTE	ARR 1530		DEP 1630
	ORVIETO	ARR 2000		

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FILE: SD/67DATE: 19/4

Capt. RE.

S/Capt 'Q' (M)

(The Lord Westbury)

Movements Liaison Officer

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Subject: Sardinia Call-Up to Frosinone.

509/158

12 Apr 45

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From AFHQ 112110B
To MOVWIT DMRS ROME
Info DISTHREE MOV ROME MMIA

FX58718 CONFIDENTIAL.
1000 SARDINIAN CALL-UP RFTS WILL MOVE BY RAIL IN ONE SPECIAL
TRAIN OF BOXCARS FROM NAPLES TO FROSINONE ONE ON 14 APR UNDER
ARRANGEMENTS MOVWIT (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGDM (.)

TIMINGS (.)

NAPLES

CASERTA ARR 2000

ROCCASECCA ARR 0300 15 APR

FROSINONE ARR 0700

DEP 1800 14 APR

DEP 2100

DEP 0400

MOV ROME TO ENSURE IMMEDIATE DETRAINMENT FROSINONE.

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FILE: 50/67

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S/Capt. 'Q' (M)

(The Lord Westbury)

Movements Liaison Officer

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Subject: Moves of Sardinia Call up to Frosinone.-

The following details are passed to you for information:

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12 April 1945

FROM : MOVWIT

111830B

TO : (1) JNT RLY CONTROL :: (2) PENINSULA FOR MMIA LO :: (3) DETRAMILES 610 ::
 (4) RTO NAPLES CENTRAL :: (5) MOV ROME :: (6) DETRAMILES 608 :: (7) 56 AREA
 INFO : (8) DISTHREE :: (9) DARS ROME :: (10) MMIA :: (11) RTO CANCELLIO :: (12) RTO
 CAPUA :: (13) RTO ROCASECCA

MOV/R/478.

SPONE - WESTBURY WHO
 SPOKE MOV WEST ITALY WHO WILL
 SPEAK AT HQ

CONFIDENTIAL. POM SERIAL 30/31. X1000 SARDINIAN CALL UP DUE NAPLES 14 APR MOVE X
 BY RL NAPLES CENTRAL TO FROSINONE. 36 BOX CARS PLACED 141400 DEP 1800 ETA CASERTA
 2000 DEP 2100 ROCASECCA 150300 SEP 150400 FROSINONE 0700 TAKE 48 HRS RATIONS WATER
 BOTTLES FULL. MOV ROME ENSURE DETRAIN WITHOUT DELAY.

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 File 890/23

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FILE:	55167
DATE:	12/4

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 WARDLAW.
 Capt. R. A. 7477
 S/Capt (Q)
 (The Lord Westbury)
 Movements Liaison Officer.

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Subject: Moves of Sardinia Call up to Frosinone.-

809/56

The following details are passed to you for information:

12 April 1945

FROM : MOVWIT

111830B

TO : (1) JNT RLY CONTROL :: (2) PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO :: (3) DETRAILES 610 ::

(4) RTO NAPLES CENTRAL :: (5) MOV ROME :: (6) DETRAILES 608 :: (7) 56 AREA

INFO : (8) DISTREE :: (9) DMRS ROME :: (10) MMIA :: (11) RTO CANCELLLO :: (12) RTO

CAPUA :: (13) RTO ROCASECCA

No - {HINDO PERSONNEL
AIRMEN - 442

MOV/R/478.

SPONE - WESTBURY WHO
SPONE MOV WEST BURY WHO WNL
SPONE AFHQ

CONFIDENTIAL. POM SERIAL 30/31. X 1000 SARDINIAN CALL UP DUE NAPLES 14 APR MOVE X

BY RL NAPLES CENTRAL TO FROSINONE. 36 BOX CARS PLACED 141400 DEP 1800 ETA CASERTA

2000 DEP 2100 ROCASECCA 150300 SEP 150400 FROSINONE 0700 TAKE 48 HRS RATIONS WATER

BOTTLES FULL. MOV ROME ENSURE DETRAIN WITHOUT DELAY.

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Capt. RA
S/Capt (Q) 7477
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.-

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT

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TO : MMIA

SECRET

INFO: PENSOUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MMIALO
MOV NAPLES
DISTHREE
AFHQ

IMMEDIATE

REF : Y 286

INTEND LOAD FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ON CRUISER
MONTECUCCOLI:

74	RECALLS
816	RECRUITS
7	OFFERS AND
9	CCRR ESCORT AND
23	OFFERS
80	EM 1st TERRITORIAL HQ

ETA IUKO 12th APRIL

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am 11 April 45

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TRANSLATION

From DETRAMILES 610 NAPLES
To Capt. Lord Westbury.

Ref: 1557/1. 9/4/45

MMIA - 'G'
FILE: <u>SS/67</u>
DATE: <u>10/4</u>

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10/4/45
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Arrived at 0800 hrs , this morning at NAPLES from Sardinia cruiser
DUCA DEGLI ABRUZZI carrying 866 call-ups accompanied by 10 Offrs
and 2 NCOs, who will move by rail to-day at 1600 hrs directed
ORVIETO.

Also arrived:

- Echelon of Carabinieri for Northern destination: 1 Offr, 100 ORs
directed to local LEGIONE CARABINIERI.
- 1st COMITER: 5 Offrs and 24 ORs with 12 tons stores, who will move
by rail to-day directed LADISPOLI.
- Detached military: 2 Offrs and 2 ORs.
- Civilians: 20.

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Chief of Detramiles 610
Lt.Col.VIGILANTE

13/4
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W.A. Alvares
Capt. RA-MOV LO

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 287

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FURTHER TO ONR Y 280 DATED 9 APRIL (.)
FROM 090900 TO 100900 APRIL (.)
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES REPORTED 9
FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD FROM 15 MARCH OF 1916
SHIPPED 10441 AND 436 AWAITING SHIPMENT(.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS 143 REPORTED
FOR A TOTAL IN A/M PERIOD OF 6127 3164 SHIPPED
TO DATE AND 2963 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FROM: AMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
TO : AMIA
REF : Y 274

090900B
SECRET

FURTHER TO OUR Y 270 DATED 7th APRIL (.) FROM 070900
TO 080900 APRIL (.) FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES
REPORTED 82 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD FROM 15 MARCH OF 1937
SHIPPED 10441 AND 328 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1919 CLASS REPORTED 297 FOR A TOTAL
IN A/A PERIOD OF 5984 (.) 2298 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3685
AWAITING SHIPMENT

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am 10 April 45

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 280

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 274 DATED 9 APRIL (.)
FROM 080900 TO 090900 APR (.) FIRST (.) RECALLS
1912-24 CLASSES (.) REPORTED 70 FOR A TOTAL IN
PERIOD FROM 15 MAR OF 1907 (.) SHIPPED 10441 AND
333 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925
CLASS (.) NIL REPORTED FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE PERIOD
OF 5984 (.) 3164 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2820 AWAITING
SHIPMENT

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

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FROM: MMIA Date Time
TO : AFHQ FOR G-3 OMC AND MOV 010 B
INFO: ALCOM FOR AIR FORCES SUB-COMMISSION
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
MIN OF WAR
REF : SD 2587

CONFIRMING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

MANN - HARRISON 442 APPROX

ITALIAN AIR CORPS PERSONNEL

EX ~~STREDA~~ ^{STREDA} ARRIVE NAPLES

13 APR (.) PLEASE ARRANGE ONWARD ROUTING AS
REQUIRED

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PRECEDENCE URGENT

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CUTTING SIGNALS

FROM : NMIA
TO : NMIA LC SARDINIA
RIP : 30 0004

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION : RESTRICTED

YOUR Y S/S OF 051740Z (.) AGREED

1. PRECIPITATION: NOVEMBER

ASSIGNMENT 2: 50%

ATTACHMENT 2

NOV
916 SP/85

APR 9 1945

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FROM: PENSOUTH MMIA LO LIAISON OFFICER
TO : MMIA
INFO: AFHQ FOR G-3 ORG
802 BRD ORVIETO
REF : 9424

091506B

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IMPORTANT

FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ARRIVED 9 MAR-CH ON IUCA
ABRUZZI (.) FIRST (.) 868 SARDINIAN CALLUPS WITH
ESCORT 10 OFFICERS DESPATCHED SAME DAY TO ORVIETO
FOR 802 BRD (.) SECOND (.) CARABINIERI 1 OFFICER
AND 100 MEN FOR NORTHERN HEADQUARTERS DESPATCHED
TO NAPLES CARABINIERI HEADQUARTERS (.) THIRD (.)
TORINO TERRITORIAL HEADQUARTERS 5 OFFICERS AND 24 MEN
WITH 12 TONS MIXED STORES DESPATCHED TO ROME (.)
FOURTH (.) CASUALS 2 OFFICERS AND 2 MEN

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am 10 April 45

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Subject: Sardinia Call Up for Orvieto.

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9 Apr. 45

The following details are passed to you for information:

FROM AFHQ 082631B

TO MOVWIT DMRS ROME

INFO DISTHREE DISTONE MOVCENT MMIA

FX56983 CONFIDENTIAL.

1000 SARDINIAN CALL-RFTS WILL MOVE BY RAIL FROM NAPLES TO ORVIETO ON 9 APR UNDER ARRANGEMENTS MOVWIT. (.) TIMINGS (.)

NAPLES	DEP	1600	9 APR
CASERTA	ARR	1800	
	DEP	1900	
ROME	ARR	0800	10 APR
	DEP	0900	
ORTE	ARR	1330	
	DEP	1430	
ORVIETO	ARR	1800	

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DATE:

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Capt. RA.

(W.A.A. EVANS)

Movements Liaison Officer

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to 136 refers 8/13/41

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Subject: Personnel ex. Sardinia.-

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The following details are passed to you for information : 8 April 1945

FROM : MOVWTF 071730B

TO : (1) MOV ROME

INFO : (2) DISTWO (3) DISTTHREE (4) RAAC (5) MMIA

MOV/TO/89. CONFIDENTIAL. ~~ONLY~~ ONE. ~~133~~. OUR MOV/R/456 OF 4TH APRIL.

NOT TO ADDRESSEES (2) & (4) REFERS. 7 OFF 934 ORS IN 36 BOXCARS DEPARTED

NAPLES CENTRAL. 071645.

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[Handwritten signature]
Capt. RE.
S/Capt (Q)
(The Lord Westbury).
Movements Liaison Officer.-

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FILE: SD/63
DATE: 9/4

for 133 refers.
To Frosinone
10/4

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: PENSOUTH MMIA LO

081645 B

TO : MMIA

CONFIDENTIAL

INFO: AFHQ G-3 (ORG)

IMPORTANT

REF : 9417

FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ARRIVED 7 MARCH ON
MONTECUCCOLI (.)

FIRST (.) 978 SARDINIAN CALLUPS WITH ESCORT 11 OFFICERS
AND 8 CARABINIERI (.) ALL ABOVE DESPATCHED SAME
DAY TO FROSINONE (.)

SECOND (.) CASUALS 3 OFFICERS AND 7 MEN

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

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FROM : MIA
TO : MIA IO SANDINIA
REF : SD 2506

DATE TIME

09 B

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131
REF YOUR LRA/ERC DATED 5 APR AND Y 260 (*) APPX A SHIPMENTS
1 2 3 AGREED (*) SHIPMENT 4 WILL CONSIST OF 442 APPROX
ITALIAN AIR CORPS PERSONNEL WITH NUMBER MAKE UP
BY NON CALL UP PERSONNEL (*) SHIPMENTS 5 6 7 AGREED SUBJECT
TO ALTERATIONS MAKE NECESSARY BY SHIPMENT 4 (*) UNDERSTOOD THAT
SHIPMENTS BEGINNING WITH ARRIVALS N A P L E S 23 APR AND 27
APR

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LIAISON OFFICER
 LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 ALLIED COMMISSION (M.E.I.A.)
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

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see file 132

5 April 1945

SUBJECT: Personnel Movement from Sardinia.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (M.E.I.A.), Rome.

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1. Reference your SD 2523 dated 26 March and in addition to our Y-220 dated 26 March, report as 5 April follows:

a Phase I (Recalls)

Total Called Up	Physically Disqualified & Sent Home	Shipped to Mainland	Reminder	
*12949	*949	10,250	*1750	
		Awaiting Shipment	Passes, Leave & Discharge	
		*300	*400 *700	*350

b Phase III (Recruits)

Called Up	Shipped to Mainland	Awaiting Shipment	To Be Called Up
4691	1537	3154	1309

Expect call up to be completed by 6 April 45.

c Regarding schedule for April Shipments see APPX "A" attached.

2a Reference your SD/63 dated 29 March, contents noted and will be complied with. You will note by attached schedule for April (APPX "A") by assuming the cruiser will make 7 trips on a four day turn around it will approximately take care of our requirements for April. Availability of personnel in Reminder, Par 1a above is problematical. In this schedule have given priority in accordance with your instructions and available.

*Approximately.

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b. Lt Colonel Costantino, Deputy Chief of Staff, Territorial Hq Rome, Sardinia Office, suggested to postpone call up of Phase II (Recalls) until 24 April to avoid ANOB's, feeding and loss of clothing. I approved of same providing 1000 would be ready for shipment 1 May and 1000 every four days thereafter until phase was completed. (See our cable Y 252 this date). Colonel Costantino had no information from Ministry of War regarding overall total reduced to 16,000 men for recall of the 1916-24 classes. Request this office be advised when firm. SD/150

123 c. Colonel Costantino informed me that Ministry of War advised him that excess of Phase III would be used to fill Phase II if necessary.

3. Reference your SD 2381 dated 3 March and SD 2251 dated 14 March, the 718 excess personnel in the Calabria Division, 324 have already been shipped and the approximately 400 remaining will be shipped soonest. (See APPX "A"). They have been used to assist in call ups.

4. Reference your SD 2516 dated 23 March will move as shown on attached schedule Appx "A". ITA will be signalled later.

Lester R. Albert
LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

SD/150 93

1 Inclosure
Appx "A" - Schedule Shipment ITI Personnel for APRIL.

X. Rated *[Signature]* 9/4

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APPENDIX "A"

SCHEDULE ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL TO BE MOVED FROM SANDHITA TO MAINLAND DURING APRIL 1945

1. This schedule is based on use of one cruiser with a four day turn around and total of seven trips. The first trip to leave Cagliari is April 15.

Personnel to be Shipped	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	Total	Remarks
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
Calabria Div (Excess)	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	100	252 1st trip 2 1/2 tons equip
1st Territorial Hq								400	4th trip 8 tons equip
								252	6th trip 13 tons equip
3. Medical Compt. (Excess)								90	
4. 3rd Complement (Excess)								250	
5. Complement Co (Casuals)								200	
6. CC.RR.								100	
7. Phase I (Recall)	140		100					1224	527 remaining to be shipped when available
8. Phase III (Recruits)	530	900	816	940	969			4463	
9. Miscellaneous Personnel	22							22	
TOTAL	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000		7000	

NOTE: However, the above schedule is based on a four day turn around, you will be prepared to load the first seven cruisers that sail from Cagliari.

3. The above schedule will be followed as far as practicable and availability of personnel, however, shipments of Calabria Div (Excess) and First Territorial Hq will not be altered as to trips. Personnel from Phase III and Phase I will be used to fill the gaps to ship 1000 on each trip, giving priority to Phase III.
4. Approximately 500 Italian Air Corps personnel requested to be moved to mainland by HQ HAF. Staff Movement Unit (AF) * Civilians attached to First Territorial Hq. 19 March will be undetached in after 5th trip.

* Personnel requested to leave by 1st trip 19th

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Φ See 129 - No - from (1945) on to new break down

46 - 1st trip 20

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
 TO : MMIA
 REF : Y 269

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 ROUTINE

REF YOUR SD 2539 RE 1 CRUISER CONTINUES 4 DAYS TURN AROUND (*)
 ITALIAN NAVAL DEPT OF NAPLES INFORMED COMMANDO MARINA CAGLIARI THAT
 CRUISERS ABRUZZI AND MONTECUCCOLI WILL MAKE LAST TRIPS FROM CAGLIARI TO
 NAPLES 13 APR AND 16 APR RESPECTIVELY (*) 2 ADDITIONAL CRUISERS LOADS
 REQUIRED FOR APR (*) SEE MY SCHEDULE APPX A TO LETTER SUBJECT PERSONNEL
 MOVEMENT FROM SARDINIA OF 5 APR

Life 13 and 27 Apr

Also not head of boat on 22 Apr

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the answer please

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advised item of Sardinia's movements 9/4 - 13/4

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MOV NAPLES
AFHQ
REF : Y 267

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IMMEDIATE

FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL TO BE LOADED CRUISER ABRUZZI 900 PHASE III
RECRUITS 100 CCRR 5 OFFRS 20 OR's 12 TONS EQUIPMENT FIRST TERRITORIAL
HQ (*) ETA DUKO 9TH APR

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Spoke Naples 1720 - party arrived
and sent to Rome.

Spoke Capt Sully for reporting
of above to WAR MINISTRY

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BY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : EMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
TO : EMIA
REF : Y 270

071600 B

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ROUTINE

FURTHER TO OUR Y 264 DATED 6 APR (*) FROM 060900 TO 070900 APR (*)
FIRST (*) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (*) REPORTED 51 FOR A TOTAL IN
PERIOD 15 MAR OF 1755 (*) SHIPPED 10441 AND 316 AWAITING SHIPMENT
(*) SECOND (*) RECALLS 1925 CLASS (*) REPORTED 551 FOR A TOTAL IN
ABOVE PERIOD OF ? 5687 ? (*) 2298 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2089 AWAITING
SHIPMENT ? 1927 ?

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FROM : IC. Sardinia

TO : NMIA. LO. VANDUEN (cont by NMIA sig.)

INF : NMIA

No. Y 205 (.) SIGNAL ALBERT (.) MARCH (.)
 INTEND TO GOAL ON ST. S. KILDE I FOLLOWING (.) HOLD ONE
 ASSOCIATE HEREIN AND 7 LEAD 7 AN FEE 4THQ GABLE PRABRO OF
 20 MARCH (.) ALSO FOR ABOVE GABLE INTENDING FOR FING YERBIAH
 AND 2017. 10 FOLLOW (.) HOLD TWO AUTO GRIE 10773 ERM
 ADVISORIAL NOTICE HERE AND ALSO HERE SOUTHERN (.) 715 THREE AND
 FOR UNDER MATERIAL SUCH AS PRESTON'S BATHING SALVO PAPER
 AND PAPER SUCH AS TICKS SUCVLS AND 205 (.) WILL MORE
 ROAD WITH VOUCH TO GABRIEL OF SMITH BOOTH THREE TONS (.)

Notimted time to load will be one week

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INFORM TO LOAN ON ST. 3 HILLER 1 FOLLOWING (.) KILL ONE
 AMERICAN HOMES ARE 7 LEAN 7 AS FOR STING CARL TRAMBO OF
 IN BAKER (.) ALSO FOR ABOVE CARL INTENDING LOADING INDIAN
 AREA MOUNT. IS FOLLOWING (.) HILL TWO AUTOMOBILE CARL FOR
 AUTOMOBILE ROCK ARE ALSO UNDER MOUNT (.) HILL THREE ARE
 FOR MORE MATERIAL SUCH IS HILL THREE HILL THREE HILL
 ARE TOOLS SUCH AS PICKS HILL 15 AND 16 (.) HILL THREE
 LOAN WITH VEHICLE TO CAPACITY OF SHIPS ROCKS THREE TOWN (.)
 Estimated time to load will be one week

INTERCOMMIT

9 Distribution :

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 Q. 2
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FROM : M.M.I.A. LO SARDINIA Sgd ALBERT
TO : M.M.I.A.
REF : Y 264

051640 B
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IMPORTANT

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 259 OF 5 th APRIL (.)

FROM 050900 TO 060900 APRIL (.)

FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.)

REPORTED 72 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD FROM 15th MARCH
OF 1704 (.)

SHIPPED 10231 AND 418 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)

SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.)

REPORTED 445 FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE PERIOD OF 5136 (.)
1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3599 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 259 OF 5th APRIL (.)

FROM 050900 TO 060900 APRIL (.)

FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.)

REPORTED 72 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD FROM 15th MARCH
OF 1704 (.)

SHIPPED 10231 AND 418 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)

SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.)

REPORTED 445 FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE PERIOD OF 5136 (.)
1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3599 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

061655H

TO : MMIA

CONFIDENTIAL

INFO: PEMBASE FOR MMIA LO

IMPORTANT

REF : Y 262

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REF OUR Y 260 DATED 6 APRIL (.) IN ADDITION WERE LOADED 9
TONE OF AUTO PARTS FOR AUTO PARK ROME (.) MAJOR HALL (.)
ITALIAN DRIVERS ON BOARD

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FROM : M.M.I.A. LO SARDINIA Sgd ALBERT
TO : M.M.I.A.
INFO : PENSOUTH - PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO -
MOV NAPLES - DISTHREE - AFHQ
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THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL TO BE LOADED ON CRUISER
MONTECUCCOLI :-

838	RECRUITS
140	RECALLS
8	OFFRS AND
3	NCO'S AS ESCORT ;
1	CCRR OFFICER
8	CCRR ESCORT ;
AND 10	CASUALS (.)

ETA DUKO 7 th APRIL

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TO : MMIA
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REF YOUR SD/63 OF 29 MAR (*) FIRST (*) APPROVED SUGGESTION OF
TERRITORIAL HQ ROME SARDINIA OFFICE ARRANGED TO POSTPONE PHASE 2
CALL UP TILL 24 APR, 1000 TO BE READY FOR SHIPMENT 1st MAY, TO REDUCE
AWOL'S ~~FEEDING & LOSS~~ OF EQUIPMENT (*) REQUEST APPROVAL ACTION
TAKEN (*) SECOND (*) PREPARED SCHEDULES OF SHIPMENTS FOR APRIL
WHICH COMPLETELY UTILIZES CRUISERS FOR 7 TRIPS (*) REMAINDER PHASE
3, ALL AVAILABLE PHASE I AND EXCESS ITALIAN PERSONNEL INCLUDED (*)
SCHEDULE TO FOLLOW

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT 051755 B
TO : MMIA SECRET
REF : Y 259 121 IMPORTANT

FURTHER TO OUR Y 255 OF 4 APR (*) FROM 040900 TO 050900 APRIL (*)
FIRST (*) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (*) REPORTED 12 FOR A TOTAL
IN PERIOD FROM 15 MAR OF 1632 (*) SHIPPED 71231 AND 226 AWAITING
SHIPMENT (*) SECOND (*) RECRUITS 1925 CLASSES (*) REPORTED 362
FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE PERIOD OF 4691 (*) 1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND
3154 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FROM : MMIA LO BARDINIA Signed ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 285

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OUR Y 253 OF 4 APRIL (.)
FROM 030900 TO 040900 APRIL
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.)
REPORTED 36 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD 15 MAR OF 1620 (.)
SHIPPED 10231 AND 178 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1919 CLASS REPORTED 196 TOTAL IN A/M
PERIOD OF 4329 (.)
1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2792 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA

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REF : Y 249

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 246 DATED 1 APRIL (*) FROM 010900 TO 020900 APRIL (*)
FIRST (*) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (*) REPORTED 8 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD
15-31 MARCH OF 1576 (*) SHIPPED 10231 AND 130 AWAITING SHIPMENT (*)
SECOND (*) RECALLS 1925 CLASS (*) NIL REPORTED FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE
MENTIONED PERIOD OF 4133 (*) 1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2596 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT

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TO : MMIA

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REF : Y 241

IMPORTANT

REF Y 232 OF 30 MAR (.) THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN TPS WERE
ACTUALLY LOADED ON CRUISER A B R U Z Z I 701 RECRUITS
195 CALL UPS 9 CC RR 11 OFFRS AND 3 N C OS ESCORT
5 OFFRS 73 O R'S CASUALS

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INFO AFHQ FOR G-3 CRG
804 BRD ORVIETO

IMPORTANT

REF NO. 9362

FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ARRIVED 31 MARCH ON LUCA ABRUZZI (.)
FIRST (.) SARDINIAN CALL UPS 972 MEN WITH ESCORT 11 OFFRS AND 9
CG RR (.) ALL ABOVE DESPATCHED TO 804 BRD ORVIETO SAME DAY (.)
SECOND (.) CASUALS 3 OFFRS AND 36 MEN

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 233 OF 30 MAR (.) FROM 300900 TO 310900 MAR (.)
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.) REPORTED 1 FOR A TOTAL
IN PERIOD 15-31 MAR 1975 (.) SHIPPED 10231 AND 111 AWAITING
SHIPMENT (.) SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.) REPORTED 76
FOR A TOTAL IN A/M PERIOD OF 4105 (.) 1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND
2568 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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TO MMIA SECRET
INFO PENSOUTH IMPORTANT
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REF NO. Y 214

PLAN TO LOAD ON CRUISER ABRUZZI THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL : 834 RECRUITS OF
CLASS OF 1925, 113 RESCALLS OF CLASSES 1919-24 ESCORTED BY 10 OFFICERS
AND 3 CC RR, ALSO 29 CASUALS, FOR A TOTAL OF 14 OFFICERS AND 986 MEN (.)
MARTIN ON BOARD (.) ETA DUKO 28 MARCH

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TO MMIA
INFO AFHQ FOR G3 ORG
802 BRD ORVIETO

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RKF NO. 9346

FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ARRIVED 28 MARCH ON DUCA ABRUZZI (.)
FIRST (.) SARDINIAN CALL UPS 956 MEN WITH ESCORT 10 OFFICERS AND
9 CARABINIERI (.) ALL ABOVE DISPATCHED SAME DAY TO ORVIETO (.)
SECOND (.) CASUALS 8 OFFERS AND 36 MEN

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REF NO. Y 232

FOLLOWING ITALIAN TPS TO BE LOADED ON CRUISER ABRUZZI 200 RECALLED MEN
790 RECRUITS AND 9 OFFERS AND 9 CC RR AS ESCORT (.) REQUEST MMIA LO NAPLES
BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE (.) ETO DUKO 31 MARCH

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FROM : MMIA LO S/IA Sgd ALBERT
TO : MMIA FOR KERR
REF : Y 227

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 221 OF 27 MARCH (.)
FROM 270900 TO 280900 MARCH (.)
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASS (.) REPORTED 12 FOR
TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31 MARCH OF 1509 (.)
SHIPPED 10130 AND 291 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.) REPORTED 505
FOR TOTAL IN ABOVE MENTIONED PERIOD 3282 (.)
836 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2446 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)

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The following details are passed to you for information :-

FROM DELEGAZIONE TRASPORTI MILITARI NAPOLI
 to Capt. Lord Westbury

No. 1346

28/3/45

Arrived this morning 0700 Hrs at Naples cruiser DUCA DEGLI
 ABRUZZI coming from Sardinia carrying 836 Cell-Ups and
 9 Offrs and following Re-Cells :

A nucleus of Cagliari Ing.	79 ORs
" " " Monserreto Arty GP.	21 "
" " " Sestu Engrs. Bn.	11 "
" " " Tirsu Autieri Bn.	10 "

Also unloading 9 Carabinieri as escorts.

" " " Detached military	8 Offrs and 37 ORs
" " " Civilians	17
" " " Allied military	3

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Call-Ups and Re-Cells will leave to-day from NAPLES at

directed ORVIETO. ETA ORVIETO

Chief DETRAMILES 618 Lt.Col. VIGILANTE

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SUBJECT: Personnel Movement from SARDINIA

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

File No. SD/63
March 45

TO : MAIA LO SARDINIA

1. Attached copy this HQ letter SD/63 dated 27 March is forwarded for information.
2. Ref para 7, it is understood from the Italian War Ministry that not more than an overall total of 16,000 men is now expected to be enrolled against the recall of the 1916-24 classes for which the target was 18,000.
3. The present manpower situation here is satisfactory enough to warrant an even further slowing of the recall. Plans have been made for the young soldier intake of 6,000 to be accommodated and disposed on the mainland immediately but for the final (Phase II) recall there is no requirement before the end of April - beginning May.
4. Will you therefore continue to utilize the cruiser - which is scheduled to maintain a four day turn round - for moving other available personnel in addition to the recalls.
5. Ref your Y 209 of 25 Mar, MOV plans were based on shiploads by thousands (except BANFORA two thousand). The twelfth shipload arrived on 23 March. The prearranged rail MOV plan is now prepared for young soldier call-ups.
6. Please confirm, and confirm your reply to our signal SD 2523 dated 26 March requesting your availability programme.

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6. Please confirm, and confirm your reply to our signal SD 2523 dated 26 March requesting your availability programme.

7. Details of arrivals of recalled personnel are attached at Appx "A".

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Major General
M. E. I. A.

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Appx "A" to MMIA letter
SD/63 of 28 Mar

Serial in thousands	Date arrival NAPLES	SHIP	Number arrival	DESTINATION	REMARKS
1	22 Feb.	MONTUCUCCOLI	978	ASTRONI	
2	27 Feb.	"	989	APRAGOLA	
3	3 Mar.	"	1003	ASTRONI	
4	7 Mar.	"	997	ASTRONI	
5	13 Mar.	"	305 226 415	FLORENCE ROME FROSINONE	Med. Personnel IPI-ITI Supply " " " Miscellaneous " "
6	14 Mar.	SARLEYTE	466	ASTRONI	
Balance 6 7	17 Mar.	MONTUCUCCOLI	446 533	ASTRONI APRAGOLA	
8-9	17 Mar.	BANFORA	1432	ASTRONI	

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4	7 Mar.	"	997	ASTRONI	
5	13 Mar.	"	305	FLORENCE	Med. Personnel ITI-ITI
			226	ROME	Supply " " "
			415	FROSINONE	Miscellaneous " "
6	14 Mar.	SAMILESTE	466	ASTRONI	
Balance 6			446	ASTRONI	
7	17 Mar.	MONTESCUCCOLI	533	AFRAGOLA	
8-9	17 Mar.	BANFORA	1432	ASTRONI	Med. & Supply RfI-ITI
			77	ROME	
10	19 Mar.	ABRUZZI	756	TRANI	7430
11	21 Mar.	MONTESCUCCOLI	717	AFRAGOLA	
			47	ROME	Supply Personnel
			34	FROSINONE	" " "
12	23 Mar.	ABRUZZI	405	TRANI	
		TOTAL	9826		

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SUBJECT: Italians - SARDINIA to Italy

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(N.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/63
27 March 45

TO : AFHQ (3)

In reply to letter your HQ AC 370.092/071 CCL-0 of 22 March.

1. The movement situation of personnel from SARDINIA during Feb was such that Mov was only able to ship one third of the total for which movement had been requested and scheduled, owing largely to the nonavailability of the Abruzzi in repair dock.
2. This was causing considerable embarrassment as many thousands of Italian call-ups were consuming Allied rations and serving no useful purpose in aid of the Allied War Effort.
3. This HQ consequently sent signal SD 2358 of 28 Feb (copy att for easy reference) pointing out the position. From para THIRD you will see that a ship capacity 2,000 was requested for "one or two trips". The Banfora was provided and two days later (approx 17 Mar) the Abruzzi was also provided.
4. As a result, only "one trip" of the Banfora was necessary and AFHQ was notified by phone and confirmation signalled in MIA SD 2476 of 17 March.
5. It is believed that the "second occurrence" to which reference is made in para 6 to the appendix of your letter under reply alludes to MOVIT signal MOV/A/407 of 11 March wherein arrangements were made for 200 BR-ITI rfts to move on 12 March from CASONIA (near MPIES) to BRINDISI for the ANCONA ferry. It is understood from Base Rft Depot AFRAGOMA that only 80 personnel departed. This depot is under command of 3 Dist. The strength of the Camp throughout March has been never less than 2,000.

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6. Frequently Italian moves appear "untidy" and a member of this staff will call upon Mov & Fin with a view to obtaining better liaison.

7. As at this date 10,000 Italian personnel are scheduled to be transported from SARDINIA to the mainland between now and mid-May. It is understood that the Montecuccoli has been withdrawn for repairs leaving only the Abruzzi on the ferry. This will be satisfactory, owing to the present manpower availability in Italy, providing the Abruzzi maintains approx a four day turn round.

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/s/ S.M. IMBLEDEN
for Major General
H. H. I. A.

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FROM : NMIA
TO : NMIA LO SAMWHA
REF : SD 2539

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REF YOUR Y 221 DATED 27 (*) OUR SIGNAL SD 2531 DATED 26 IS CONFIRMED (*)
ONE CRUISER ONLY WILL CONTINUE APPROX FOUR DAY TURN ROUND (*) ADVANCE
PERSONNEL TO BE AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT ACCORDINGLY

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INFO : MMIA LG PENSOUTH
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ONE (*) CONFIRMED THAT ONE CRUISER ONLY REQUIRED TO CONTINUE
APPROX FOUR DAY TURN ROUND LIFTING PERSONNEL FROM SARDINIA TO
MAINLAND (*) PLEASE ARRANGE (*) TWO (*) 2777 CALL UPS WERE
AWAITING SHIPMENT 270900 AND FURTHER 7000 PERSONNEL ARE SCHEDULED
TO BE MOVED TO MAINLAND BY MID MAY

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FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL DEPARTED NAPLES P.M. BY CAR (.)
403 BARRINIAN CALLUPE REPRESENTING TWELFTH THOUSAND TO TRANI
FOR 804 BND (.)

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FROM: MMIA

TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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YOUR Y 209 OF 25 (.) 9421 RECALL PERSONNEL WERE RECEIVED
UP TO 31 M A R INCL (.) THESE ARRIVED IN SEVEN LOADS OF
M O N T E C U C C O L I AND ONE LOAD OF A B R U Z Z I
SCHEDULED FOR 1000 EACH ONE LOAD OF B A N F O R A
SCHEDULED FOR 2000 AND ONE LOAD OF S A M L E Y T E (.)
S A M L E Y T E ACTUALLY BROUGHT 466 BUT THIS WAS CONSIDERED
AS A COMPLETE THOUSAND TO PREVENT CONFUSION OF TRAIN
PROGRAMME (.)
LOAD ARRIVING 28 M A R IS CONSIDERED AS THIRTEENTH
THOUSAND AND WILL GO TO G R V I E T O (.) ONE CRUISER
ONLY WILL CONTINUE THIS FERRY SERVICE ON APPROXIMATELY
FOUR DAY TURN ROUND (.) OUR PROGRAMME ANTICIPATES NEXT
FIVE SHIPLOADS AFTER 28 MAR TO BE YOUNG SOLDIERS (.)
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PLAN TO LOAD ON CRUISER ABRUZZI FOLLOWING PERSONNEL:
834 RECRUITS OF CLASS 1925
113 RECALLS OF CLASSES 1919-24
ESCORTED BY 10 OFFICERS AND 5 CC RR (.)
ALSO 29 CASUALS FOR A TOTAL OF
14 OFFICERS AND 986 MEN
MANEIN ON BOARD (.)
ETA DURO 28 MARCH

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TO : MMIA
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FOR SIMMONS (.)

NEEDLES REFERRED TO IN MMIA CABLE 114 OF 25 MARCH WILL BE
BROUGHT TO DUKO BY MARTINO (.) SAILING OF CRUISER ABRUZZI HAS
BEEN DELAYED 24 HRS BY WEATHER CONDITIONS (.)
ETA DUKO 28 MARCH (.)

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 219 OF 26 MARCH (*) FROM 260900 TO 270900 MARCH (*)
FIRST (*) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASS ADDED REPORTED 18 FOR A TOTAL IN
PERIOD 15-31 MARCH OF 1947 (*) SHIPPED 9917 AND 364 AWAITING SHIPMENT
(*) SECOND (*) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (*) REPORTED 390 FOR A TOTAL
IN ABOVE MENTIONED PERIOD OF 2777 (*) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE AND ALL ARE
AWAITING SHIPMENT

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TO : MMIA
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REF MMIA CABLE SD 2523 OF 26 MARCH (.) SECOND SUBJECT (.)
DIFFERENCE OF 1577 (CAME) ABOUT AS FOLLOWS

AWOL 500
OVER STAYED LEAVE 700

REMAINDER IN HOSPITAL

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FROM: NMIA LO SARGENTIA SIGNED SECRET
TO : NMIA
REF : YZ19

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FOR KMR

FURTHER TO OUR YZ13 OF 26 MARCH FROM 250900 TO 260900 MARCH
FIRST (.) HUGALBS 1919 - 24 CLASSES (.) REPORTED 12 FOR A
TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31 MARCH OF 1479 (.)
SHIPPED 9917 AND 425 ARE AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) SECOND (.)
RECORDED 1945 CLASS (.) REPORTED 496 FOR A TOTAL IN A/M
PERIOD OF 2387 (.) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE AND ALL ARE
AWAITING SHIPMENT

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TO : MMIA
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FOR KERR (.) FIRST (.) FURTHER TO OUR Y 208 DATED 25 MAR
FROM 240900 TO 250900 MAR 7 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)
TOTAL 1467 REPORTED FOR PERIOD CALL-UP 15 TO 31 MAR
ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASS 1919-1924 (.) TOTAL
AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 302 SHIPPED TO DATE 9917 RECALIS
SECOND (.) FROM 190900 TO 250900 MAR 1891 RECRUITS 1925
CLASS ENROLLED (.)
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 1496 (.)
SHIPPED TO DATE NIL

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SECOND (.) FROM 190900 TO 250900 MAR 1891 RECRUITS 1925
CLASS ENROLLED (.)
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 1498 (.)
SHIPPED TO DATE NIL

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SUBJECT: Italians - SARDINIA to Italy.

Lead Forces Sub. Com. A.C.
(I.I.A.)
File No: 88/83

27 Mar 48

TO : AFHQ (1)

In reply to letter your HQ AC 370.092/CVL 337.0 of 23 Mar.

1. The movement situation of personnel from SARDINIA during Feb was such that MOV was only able to ship one third of the total for which movement had been requested and scheduled, owing largely to the nonavailability of the Abruzzi in repair dock.

2. This was causing considerable embarrassment as many thousands of Italian call-ups were consuming Allied rations and serving no useful purpose in aid of the Allied war effort.

3. This HQ consequently sent signal 3D 256 of 29 Feb (copy att for easy reference) pointing out the position. From para THREE you will see that a ship capacity 2,000 was requested for "one or two trips". The Benfara was provided and two days later (approx 17 Mar) the Abruzzi was also provided.

4. As a result, only "one trip" of the Benfara was necessary and AFHQ was notified by phone and confirmation signalled in AFHQ 3D 2476 of 17 March.

5. It is believed that the "second occurrence" to which reference is made in para 6 to the appendix of your letter under reply alludes to MOVIT signal OV 7407 of 11 March wherein arrangements were made for 200 HQ-ITF rfts to move on 12 March from CAGORIA (near NAPLES) to MINIDIA for the ANCOA ferry. It is understood from Base Rft Depot AFHQOLA that only 80 personnel departed. This depot is under command of 1 Dist. The strength of the Camp throughout March has been never under 2,000.

for which movement had been requested and scheduled, owing largely to the nonavailability of the Abruzzi in repair dock.

8. This was causing considerable embarrassment as many thousands of Italian call-ups were consuming Allied rations and serving no useful purpose in aid of the Allied war effort. (cc)

9. This was consequently sent signal 32 2000 of 18 Feb (copy att for easy reference) pointing out the position. From para third you will see that a ship capacity 8,000 was requested for "one or two trips". The Benfara was provided and two days later (approx 17 Mar) the Abruzzi was also provided.

10. As a result, only "one trip" of the Benfara was necessary and Abruzzi was notified by phone and confirmation signalled in MIA 20 2474 of 17 March. (A' changed in att p. 10)

11. It is believed that the "second occurrence" to which reference is made in para 6 to the appendix of your letter under reply alludes to MOVIT signal 00/0407 of 11 March wherein arrangements were made for 300 Benfara to move on 12 March from CASORIA (near NAPLES) to BRINDISI for the ARONA ferry. It is understood from Base 8th Depot AFASO.A that only 80 personnel departed. This depot is under command of a Dist. The strength of the Camp throughout March has been never under 8,000.

12. Presently Italian moves appear "untidy" and a member of this staff will call upon Nov A in with a view to obtaining better liaison.

13. As at this date 10,000 Italian personnel are scheduled to be transported from CASORIA to the mainland between now and mid-May. It is understood that the Antenne-11 has been withdrawn for repairs leaving only the Abruzzi on the ferry. This will be satisfactory, owing to the present manpower availability in Italy providing the Abruzzi maintains approx a four day turn round. 2327

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S.A. to S.O.A.
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S.M. J. H. C.L.

Major General
S.A.I.A.

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MESSAGE FORM

23 1230 A

FROM MMIA

TO AFHQ

INFO MMIA LO SARDINIA
PENSJITH FOR MMIA LO

SD 2358

SECRET

SUBJECT IS MOVEMENT OF ITALIAN PERSONNEL FROM SARDINIA (.)
FIRST (.) SHIPPING DURING FEB HAS ONLY MOVED 2000 PERSONNEL
I.E. ONE THIRD OF MOVEMENT BID FOR (.) AT PRESENT RATE OF
PROGRESS OF FOUR DAY TURN ROUND SARDINIA PHASE I WILL NOT
Cleared UNTIL APR (.) SECOND (.) THIS MEANS

(A) PROPORTION OF PERSONNEL WOULD HAVE BEEN WAITING SIX
OR SEVEN WEEKS WITH CONSEQUENT RESTLESSNESS AND DESER-
TION AND LOSS OF CLOTHING

AND

(B) SARDINIA PHASE III WOULD BE SIMILARLY HANDCAPPED (.)
THIRD (.) IN CIRCUMSTANCES STRONGLY RECOMMEND

(A) YOU PROVIDE ONE FLATBED LIBERTY SHIP CAPACITY 2000 OR
EQUIVALENT FOR ONE OR TWO TRIPS

OR

(B) YOU PERMIT MMIA TO ADJUST PHASE II AND III CALL-UPS
TO COINCIDE WITH WHAT SHIPPING YOU CAN REPEAT CAN PRO+

PROGRESS OF FOUR DAY TURN ROUND SARDINIA PHASE I WILL NOT
Cleared UNTIL APR (.) SECOND (.) THIS MEANS

(A) PROPORTION OF PERSONNEL WOULD HAVE BEEN WAITING SIX
OR SEVEN WEEKS WITH CONSEQUENT RESTLESSNESS OR A DESER-
TION AND LOSS OF CLOTHING

AND

(B) SARDINIA PHASE III WOULD BE SIMILARLY HANDCAPPED (.)
THIRD (.) IN CIRCUMSTANCES STRONGLY RECOMMEND

(A) YOU PROVIDE ONE PLANNED LIBERTY SHIP CAPACITY 2000 OR
EQUIVALENT FOR ONE OR TWO TRIPS
OR

(B) YOU PERMIT ISMIA TO ADJUST PHASE II AND III CALL-UPS
TO COINCIDE WITH WHAT SHIPPING YOU CAN REPEAT CAN PRO-
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SD/03

PRECEDENCE Immediate (1)

AUTHENTICATED S.M. Ingledew Lt.Col

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SUBJECT: Italians - SARDINIA to Italy.SECRETLend Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.A.)File No: SD/63
Mar 45.TO : AFHQ (3)

In reply to letter Your HQ AG 370.092/071 OCT-0 of 22 March.

1. The movement situation of personnel from SARDINIA during Feb was such that Mov was only able to ship one third of the total for which movement had been requested and scheduled, owing largely to the non-availability of the Abruzzi in repair dock.

2. This was causing considerable embarrassment as many thousands of Italian call-ups were consuming Allied rations and serving no useful purpose in aid of the Allied war effort.

3. This HQ consequently sent signal SD 2353 of 28 Feb (copy att for easy reference) pointing out the position. From para THIRD you will see that a ship capacity 2,000 was requested for "one or two trips". The Benforsa was provided and two days later (approx 17 Mar) the Abruzzi was also provided.

4. As a result, only "one trip" of the Benforsa was necessary and AFHQ was notified by phone and confirmation signalled in MMIA SD 2476 of 17 March.

5. It is believed that the "second occurrence" to which reference is made in para 6 of your letter under reply alludes to signal Movmnt NOV/R/407 of 11 March wherein arrangements were made for 200 BRITISH lifts to move on 12 March from CASORIA (near NAPLES) to BRUNESI for the ANCCNA ferry. It is understood from Base Rpt Depot AFRAGLIA that only 80 personnel departed. This depot is under command of 3 Dist. The strength of the Camp throughout March has been never under 2,000. The strength is fairly alive to the shortcomings of this Camp and has under active consideration the early move of the Camp. 3 Dist, however,

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of Italian call-ups were consuming Allied rations and serving no useful purpose in aid of the Allied war effort.

3. This HQ consequently sent signal SD 2358 of 28 Feb (copy att for easy reference) pointing out the position. From para THIRD you will see that a ship capacity 2,000 was requested for "one or two trips". The Banfora was provided and two days later (approx 17 Mar) the Abruzzi was also provided.

4. As a result, only "one trip" of the Banfora was necessary and AFHQ was notified by 'phone and confirmation signalled in MMIA SD 2476 of 17 March.

5. It is believed that the "second occurrence" to which reference is made in para 6 of your letter under reply alludes to ~~that~~ signal ^{MOVWIT} MOV/R/407 of 11 March wherein arrangements were made for 200 BR-ITV rfts to move on 12 March from CASORIA (near NAPLES) to BRIMISI for the AIDONA ferry. It is understood from Base Rft Depot AFRAGOLA that only 80 personnel departed. This depot is under command of 3 Dist. The strength of the Camp throughout March has been never under 2,000. 3 Dist, however, is fully alive to the shortcomings of this Camp and has under active consideration the early move of the Camp.

6. Under the circumstances it is submitted that MMIA is NOT to blame for the incidents to which you refer. I agree however that frequently Italian moves appear "untidy" and a senior member of ~~my~~ staff will shortly call upon Mov & Fn with a view to explaining the difficulties and obtaining better liaison between the two Hqs.

7. As at this date 12,000 Italian personnel are scheduled to be transported from SARDINIA to the Mainland between now and mid-May. It is understood that the Montecuccoli has been withdrawn for repairs leaving only the Abruzzi on the ferry. This will be satisfactory, ^{for the} to the present manpower availability in Italy, providing the Abruzzi maintains at least a four day turn round.

Major General.
E.M.I.A.

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M.A. to G.G.C.
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to AFHQ)

COY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 207

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SECRET

IMPORTANT

REF YOUR SD 2516 DATED 23 MARCH (.) NUMBER 1 TERRITORIALE
HQ WILL BE READY TO MOVE TO N A P L E S FOR ON ROUTING
TO S A N T A S E R V E R A (CIVITAVECCHIA) ON OR ABOUT
5 APRIL (.) E T A WILL BE SIGNALLED WHEN DETERMINED

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First party arrived Naples 9/4

3 off

20 gals

12 lbs baggage

off 9/4

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

26 12 40 A
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FROM : DIA
TO : DIA LO GAMBIA
REF NO : SD 2523

SECRET

SAY EPO HAVE RECALL AND CALLUP PERSONNEL REMAIN TO BE SHIPPED (*)
GIVE PROGRAMME IN (a) NUMBER (b) DATES AVAILABLE AND (c) TYPE
OF INTAKE FROM NOV TILL END APR (*) END SUBJECT (*) 8623 HAVE BEEN
SHIPPED AGAINST 10000 REQUIRED PHASE I (*) THAT HAS HAPPENED TO REMAINER

Precedence IMMEDIATE

Authenticated

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT

251100A

TO : MMIA

SECRET

REF : Y 208

IMPORTANT

FOR KERN (.) FURTHER TO OUR Y 200 DATED 23RD MARCH (.)
FROM 230900 TO 240900 MARCH 11 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)
TOTAL 1460 REPORTED FOR PERIOD CALL UP 15TH TO 31ST MARCH (.)
ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASSES 1919-1924 (.) TOTAL
AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 316 (.) SHIPPED TO DATE 9840 RECALLS

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
AFHQ

ABK/mlm

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By Authority

Initials *not*

Date 22 March 1945

AG 370.092/071 GCT-O

SUBJECT: Italians - Sardinia to Italy

TO: President
Allied Commission
For: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA)

Disin
a/c SD/63
info SD/77

1. Your attention is directed to the attached memorandum from our G-4 Movement & Transportation Division.

2. As requested in paragraph 5 of attached memorandum it is desired that a definite program be forwarded this headquarters indicating the availability of Italian call-up personnel in Sardinia for the remainder of March and month of April in order that shipping may be arranged.

3. In the past there have been several similar embarrassments over moves of Italian personnel when transportation has been wasted due to non availability of personnel. It is requested that every effort be made in the future to provide more accurate figures on which to arrange our shipping and movement programs.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

1 Incl
Memo fr G-4 M&T
dtd 17 Mar 45

R. H. Frese
R. H. FRESE
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

MMIA-G
FILE: SD/63
DATE: 25 Mar



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INFORMAL ROUTING SLIP

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

SECRET

Suspense:

Date: 17 Mar 45

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SUBJECT ITALIANS - SARDINIA TO ITALY

No.	From	To	Date	
1.	G-4 (Mov & Tn)	G-3	17 MAR 45.	(1) At the beginning of MAR we were informed that there was a backlog of of 8000 Italians waiting shipment from SARDINIA to ITALY and that a further 6000 would be called up and available for movement during the first half of MAR.
(2).				To assist with the clearance of these personnel we arranged for two trips of a troop transport (BANFORA) lifting 2000 a time in addition to the 2 Italian cruisers which are employed on this service.
(3).				Since the time of the request we have lifted 3000 personnel by cruiser and 2000 by the BANFORA. The BANFORA was due to leave NAPLES A.M. 18 MAR to make her second voyage and at 1800 hrs today we were informed by you that the lift by this vessel was not required.
(4).				The cancellation of this ship at such short notice will mean that she will remain idle for a period of 4 to 5 days at a time when personnel shipping is at a premium.
(5).				It is the intention to continue the service with the 2 Italian cruisers but the Navy are anxious to withdraw 1 cruiser for overhaul for approximately one month. It is therefore requested that you advise this branch firm figures to be lifted during the remainder of MAR and APR in order that a programme can be arranged that will meet your requirements.
(6).				This is the second occurrence within the past few days when shipping has been wasted due to incorrect figures being submitted for movement of Italians. It is further requested that you impress on IMA the necessity for accuracy in demands especially at the present time when our shipping resources are stretched to the maximum.

No incls

GVR/bj.

80 units 200 for American ferry?

(Signed) A.T. de Rho
(Typed) A.T. de Rho 7420
Brigadier,
D.Q.M.G. (Mov & Tn)

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

221600A

TO : MMIA

SECRET

REF : Y 194

IMPORTANT

REF MMIA CABLE SD 2500 OF 21 MARCH (.) (RECALL) OF MEN
HAS BEEN MODIFIED AS SHOWN IN YOUR PARA 2 (.)
LOADED A B R U Z Z I FOR DUKE 19 MARCH WAS 746 RECALL
PHASE I AND 164 CASUALS (.) THIS CHANGE FROM INFORMATION
REPORTED ON OUR CABLE Y 178 OF 18 MARCH WAS REPORTED TO
MAJOR S M I T H BY MAJOR M A R T I N UPON ARRIVAL
OF A B R U Z Z I

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TO : MMIA
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MOV NAPLES : DISTHREE : AFHQ)

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SECRET

CRUISER MONTEGUCCOLI TO BE LOADED 1000 OFFRS AND ORs
INCLUDING 563 PHASE I RECALLS AND 186 OFFRS AND ORs OVER STRENGTH
CALABRIA DIV REFERENCE MMIA SD 2360 AND SD 2451 (*) E T A
DUKO 21st March

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MEMO TO MR. GARRINIA

APRIL FOR G-4 (HOW)

PERIODIC FOR MEMO TO

NO 1816

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CLASSIFICATION SECRET

REF Y 198 AND Y 199 (*) MOVEMENTS CAUSING AIRCRAFT SHIPMENT NO 1

REF Y 198 AND Y 199 (*) SHIP WITH REGALS TO MARINE

FOR ON-ROUTING TO SANTA BEVERA (CIVILIANSHIP) (*) CONFIRM

WHEN READY TO MOVE

PROCESSED ROUTINE

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UNCLASSIFIED

Internal

MINISTRY OF WAR

ON

NOV (B)

FILE NO 82/83

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

22 NPT

TO : MMIA

SECRET

REF : Y 193

IMPORTANT

REF Y 192 OF 22 (?) MAR (.) ITALIAN HQ REPORTS THE RECEIPT
INSTRUCTIONS FROM MINISTRY OF WAR CANCELLING THE PROPOSED
SHIPMENT 21 MOTOR VEHICLES (.) REQUEST YOU AMEND OUR Y 192
ACCORDINGLY

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

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TO : MMIA

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IMPORTANT

REF : Y 192

REF MMIA CABLE SD 2495 OF 20 MARCH (.) THIS OFFICE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE
OF A SHIP GOING DIRECTLY TO CIVITAVECCHIA WHICH CAN
ACCOMMODATE ONE HQ TERRITORIALE (.) ITALIAN
HQ MTO TO MOVE 61 OFFICERS 172 ORS AND 2 CIVILIANS (.) THEY
ALSO PLAN TO SHIP 21 MOTOR VEHICLES AS WELL AS 300 CASES OR BALES
OF MATERIALS WEIGHING 40 TONS AND TAKING UP 1000 CUBIC FEET OF SPACE (.)
SUGGEST THAT A SHIP SIMILAR TO THE ABBAZIA BE DIVERTED FOR
1 TRIP DIRECTLY TO (?) TO MOVE THIS UNIT COMPLETELY (.)
REQUEST THIS OFFICE BE ADVISED AS TO ANY ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE MATTER

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wa 23 Mar

(?) Check has been requested

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Info SMRE det
1) personnel OK as above
2) NO vehicles
3) stores to be reduced to
more reasonable proportions
2/c agrees above

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ship available

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FROM AMIA
TO AMIA LG SAMBIA

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SECRET

URGENT
ONE (*) WAR MIBS ARE BEING INSTRUCTED NOT TO RECALL 1914 - 15 CLASSES
IN FUTURE (*) TWO (*) RECAPTULATIONS SAMBIA RECALL AND CALL UP
RECAPTULATIONS FOLLOWING (*) PHASE ONE WAS 10000 PLUS 2000 (*) WITH
THREE THREE YOUNG SOLDIERS 4000 IN WAR PLUS 5000 IN AIR (*) PHASE
TWO RECAPTULATIONS IN 15 AIR WAR RECAPTULATIONS 5000 (*) TOTAL IS 24000 (*)
PLEASE ARRANGE AND CONFIRM TO US (*) THREE (*) WITH SIGNALING
SHIP LONG STATE YOUR RECAPTULATIONS SO THAT PERSONNEL MAY BE PROPERLY
ON RECAPTULATIONS (*) FOUR (*) (VERY THAT WAS LOADED ON AIRCRAFT FOR
TWO IS WAR

REFERENCE

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FROM YOUR YOUNG SOLDIERS 4000 IN MAR PLUS 8000 IN APR (*) TOTAL IS 24000 (*)
 THE REQUIREMENT BY 15 APR NOW REDUCED TO 8000 (*) THERE (*) WHEN SENDING
 PLEASE ARRANGE AND CONTINUE TO US (*) THERE (*) WHEN SENDING
 HELP LOOPS STATE YOUR NEEDS SO THAT PERSONNEL MAY BE PROVIDED
 ON MOVED HERE (*) FOUR (*) COPY WHAT WAS LOADED ON AIRMAIL FOR
 INFO 19 MAR

REFERENCE

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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SECRET

SD/103
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REF YOUR SD 2380 AND SD 2451 (.) 170 EXCESS PERSONNEL CALABRIA
DIV SCHEDULED TO DEPART 20TH MARCH ON MONTECUCCOLI

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMMONS

TO : MMIA

181430 A

INFO : PENSOUTH - PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO -
MOV NAPLES - DISTHREE - AFHQ
SEND BY MMIA

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SECRET

CRUISER ABRUZZI TO BE LOADED 1000 RECALLED OFFERS AND
MEN PHASE I ACCOMPANIED BY 10 CCRR (.) MARTIN ON BOARD (.)
REQUEST LO NAPLES BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE (.) ETA DUKO 19 MARCH

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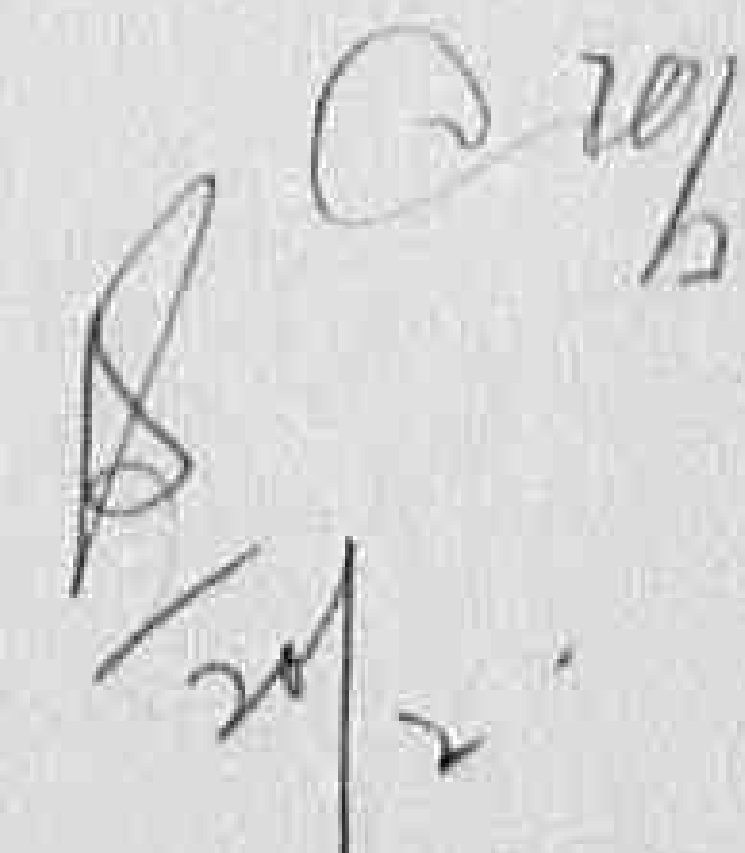
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MESSAGE FOR

FROM : NMIA

18 12 A

TO : NMIA LO SANHUA

SD2481

RESTRICTED

SECOND BRIP OF BANFORA HAS BEEN CANCELLED

PRECEDENCE.....

AUTHENTICATED.....

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

171017A

Y 174

SECRET

LOADED S.S. SAMPERRIN THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY

EQUIPMENT: ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES,

MEDICAL SUPPLIES, FIELD BLANKETS, COOKING FUEL, BARRACK

STORE SUPPLIES, CLOTH FOR UNIFORMS, S.A.A., ARTY AMN,

RIFLES AND EMPTY WINE BARRELS (.)

ALSO LOADED WERE 43 TRUCKS 32 LT TANKS 2 MED TRS 4 M/CS AND

668 CASES OR BALES OF AUTO PARTS (.)

ALSO LOADED WERE ITEMS PICKED OUT BY CAPT CLARK AND MARKED

210 DIV (ITALIAN) 5 ARMY INCL ENGINEER MATERIAL AND

COMMISARY MATERIAL (.)

ALSO LOADED WERE BRITISH DID AND RTI SUPPLIES AND CONSTRUCTIONAL

EQUIPMENT (.) ESCORT PERSONNEL WERE 4 OFFERS AND 64 MEN

AND IPT A TOTAL OF 68 (.) DETAILED LIST FOR MMIA LO PENGOOTH

WILL BE DELIVERED BY COURIER (.) REQUEST MMIA LO PENGOOTH BE

NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE (.) MTA DUKO 18TH MARCH

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHCT

TO : NMIA

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S E C R E T

PRESENT INFORMATION CONCERNING GARDINIA SHIPPING PROGRAMME
IS AS FOLLOWS: 2 CRUISERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO CARRY 1000
PERSONNEL EACH EVERY FOUR DAYS (.) PERSONNEL CAN NOW
IN PROCESS OF SHIPPING 2000 CALL UPS TO MAINLAND AND WILL
MAKE ANOTHER TRIP BY 20 MARCH (.) SIXTEENTH PRIORITY OF
YOUR SD/2468 OF 15 MARCH WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY 25
MARCH AND ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR REMAINING PHASES
OF CALL UP

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Under reference report (see)

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MESSAGE FOR.

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN.

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FROM : MMIA
TO : AFHQ
INFO : MMIA LO SARDINIA
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
REF NO : SB 2476

Security Classification SECRET

SINCE MONTICUCCOLI AND ABRUZZI ARE NOW BOTH WORKING ON SARDINIA
CALL UP BANFORA CAN NOT BE FILLED ON SECOND TRIP WITHOUT DELAY
(*) REQUEST SECOND TRIP OF BANFORA BE CANCELLED (*)
BANFORA WILL SPOKE

Precedence IMMEDIATE AND TO MMIA LO SARDINIA.

Authenticated [Signature]

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FROM: MEMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

TO : MEMIA FOR KERR

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SECRET

REQUEST SECOND TRIP OF BANFORD BE CANCELLED (.) CANNOT BE
FILLED WITHOUT SEVERAL DAYS DELAY (.) PRESENT CRUISER SCHEDULE WILL
LIFT REMAINING PHASE 1 RECALLS AND 6,000 PHASE 2 MEN BY 31ST MAR (.)
REQUEST CONFIRMATION (.) WILL ATTEMPT TO TELEPHONE AT 1800 HRS TODAY

PRECEDENCE EMERGENCY OPS

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA 161515A
TO : MMIA
INFO : PENSOUTH : PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO: MOV NAPLES: } being re-trans-
DISTHREE : AFHQ } mitted by MMIA
sign.

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SECRET

FOR KERR (*) SS BANFORA LOADED 1826 RECALLED OFFICERS AND ORs PHASE I
ACCOMPANIED BY 18 CC.RR (*) ALSO LOADED 76 ITALIAN AIR CORPS OFFICERS
AND ORs AND 15 ITALIAN ARMY CASUALS (*) REQUEST MMIA LO PENSOUTH BE
ADVISED BY TELEPHONE (*) E T A D U K O 17 MARCH

(LO INFORMED 16/3)

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA
TO : MMIA
INFO : PENSOUTH : PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
MOV NAPLES: DISTRICT THREE: AFHQ

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SECRET

FOR KERR (*) CRUISER MONTECCOLI TO BE LOADED WITH 990 RECALLED
OFFICERS AND MEN PHASE I ACCOMPANIED BY 10 CC.RR (*) REQUEST NAPLES LO BE
NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE (*) ETA DUKO 17 MARCH

signed SIMONS.

Precedence IMMEDIATE

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Subject: Vessels ex Somalia.

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15 Mar 45

The following details are passed to you for information.

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FROM: NMIA LO SAMBIRIA

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TO : NMIA

Ref. Y 167

SECRETFOR KEER

Allied Regional Commissioner in receipt of several signals from AFHQ referring to loading of ~~xxx~~ S.S. SAMSERHIN and stating that NO, repeat NO NMIA tonnage may be loaded without previous AFHQ approval. (.) Request AFHQ cite PHSDM be informed that approximately 2000, repeat 2000 tons Italian Artillery, Commissary, Engineer, MI and RAF stores are now, repeat now loaded (.)

Loading of additional NMIA tonnage to capacity now in process (.) British War Ministers transport representative has been in continuous contact with situation and only unusual delay has been due to simultaneous arrival of SAMLETWE and SAMSERHIN (.)

Unless otherwise directed will proceed with loading which should be completed in few days (.)

New Subject (.)

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(.) Request AFHQ cite FIGURE be informed that approximately 2000, repeat 2000 tons Italian Artillery, Complementary, Engineer, LT and RAP stores are now, repeat now loaded (.)

Loading of additional MMIA tonnage to capacity now in process (.) British War Ministers transport representative has been in continuous contact with situation and only unusual delay has been due to simultaneous arrival of SIMMENTE and SANSEVERIN (.)

Unless otherwise directed will proceed with loading which should be completed in few days (.)

New Subject (.)

AFHQ Ordnance Officer now here inspecting packing of Artillery Ammunition which will be shipped on SANSEVERIN unless otherwise directed.

Note: New signal 723 of 15/3

sent in reply to the above - Co-ordinated

Col. KERR

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Spl. Sec.
Lt.
Fleet

MMIA	G
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Signed SIMMENTE

MMIA	G
FILE:	54/63
DATE:	16/3

(- 17/3) W. H. Brown
Lt. Col. ADVANCE
Movements Liaison Officer

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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INFO: PENSOUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
DISTANCE
MOV NAPLES
AFHQ
MMIA LO 5 ARMY

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REF MY Y 162 OF 11 MARCH (.) LOADED LIFT SHIP EMPIRE LORENZO
IN ADDITION TO ITEMS ALREADY SIGNALED ONE ADDITIONAL MEDIUM
TANK FOR A TOTAL OF 5 MEDIUM TANKS AND 10 ADDITIONAL LIGHT TANKS
FOR A TOTAL OF 16 LIGHT TANKS (.) NO FURTHER DETAILED LISTS FOR
MMIA LO NAPLES WILL BE FURNISHED FOR THIS SHIP (.) REQUEST MMIA
LO NAPLES BE NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE (.) ETA DUKO 14TH MARCH

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TO : MIA

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INFO: PENSOUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MIA LO
MOV NAPLES
DISTREE
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LOADED ON SS SAMLETTS THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL (.)
6 OFFRS 5 CO PR AND 460 RECALLED MEN OF PHASE I, 75 CASUALS
AND ESCORT PERSONNEL TOTALING 9 OFFRS AND 41 MEN (.) ALSO
LOADED THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY EQUIPMENT 24 TRUCKS AND
2 M/O S, 2,000 FOLDING COTS AND BLANKETS, VARIOUS ENGINEER
STORES(.) DETAILED LIST FOR MIA LO PENSOUTH WILL BE SENT BY
COURIER (.) REQUEST MIA LO PENSOUTH BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE (.)
ETA DUKO 13 MAR

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA 111045
TO : MMIA FOR KERR
INFO : PENSOUTH - PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO - MOV NAPLES +++:
DISTHREE - AFHQ - MMIA LO 5 ARMY

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SECRET

FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY EQUIPMENT NOW BEING LOADED ON LIFT SHIP
EMPIRE LORENZO (x) 4 HOWs 149/19, 8 CANNON
105/28 AS PER MMIA LETTER AQ/23/1 OF 15TH FEB (x) ALSO 4
MED TXS AND 6 LT TANKS AS PER MMIA CABLE SD 2289 OF 14 FEB (x)
NO FURTHER DETAILED LISTS WILL BE FURNISHED FOR THIS SHIP
(x) ETA DUKO WILL BE SIGNALLED LATER (x)
NEW SUBJECT (x) YOUR Q 42 DATED 6 MAR ACK'D (x)
NO ARTY AMN WILL ACCOMPANY GUNS WITHOUT SPECIFIC INSTRS (x)
SIGNED SIMMONS

13 Mar
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From :- Mov. L.O. (MIA).

12 Mar 45.

The following paraphrase of AFHQ signal FX 41503 dated 11 Mar 45 is forwarded for your information.

FROM AFHQ CITE FROGIM. (69)
 TO MIAMO SARDINIA. Sent 12/3
 (INFO) MIA. MOVWIT. MIA TO PERSONTH. UFFICIO TRASPORTI.
 FX 41503 (.) SECRET (.) REP AFHQ SIGNAL dated 5 Mar and
 AFHQ FX 40297 of 9 Mar (.)
 ONE (.) SEND INTRAPORA TO READ BANTORA (.)
 TWO (.) PERSONNEL 220 IN CABINS 1898 ON TROOP DECKS (.)
 THREE (.) WILL ARRIVE CAGLIARI 15 MAR SAIL 16 MAR (.) ARRIVE
 (NT) NAPLES 17 MAR SAIL 18 MAR ARRIVE CAGLIARI 19 MAR SAIL
 20 MAR ARRIVE NAPLES 21 MAR (.)
 FOUR (.) MONTECUCOLI HARBOUR ON FERRY APPROX 4 DAYS TURN ROUND (.)
 FIVE (.) EXPECT DUCA DEGLI ABRUZZI TO BE READY ABOUT 12 MAR ETA
 CAGLIARI 13 MAR (.)
 SIX (.) AGREED C INC MED (.) PSTO (.)

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 WAA Evans
 Capt RA
 (WAA EVANS)
 Movements Liaison Officer.

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Date Recd	11

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FROM : MMIA
TO : AFHQ FOR G3 ORG
REF NO : SD 2430

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REF MMIA SD 2370 OF 1 SERIAL 20 AND SD 2426 OF 9 (x)
380 MED RFTS DUE FIFTH SHIPMENT WILL FILL URGENT NEEDS
IN FLORENCE AREA (x) REQUEST THAT WHEN BALANCE
OF 148 ARRIVE THEY BE SENT TO 8 MED COY ROME

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA Sgd SIMMONS

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR

INFO : PENSOUTH PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
MOV NAPLES DISTHREE AFHQ

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SECRET

CRUISER MONTECUCCOLI TO BE LOADED WITH 990 RECALLED OFFICERS AND MEN PHASE I
ACCOMPANIED BY 10 CORR (.) REQUEST NAPLES LO BE NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE (.)

ETA DUKO 12 MAR

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHGCT

TO : MMIA

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SECRET

SD/61 SD/61
YOUR SD 2422 OF 08 REFERS SHIPPING PROGRAMME MENTIONED IN
777
YOUR SD 242219 OF 08 MARCH CONFIRMED (.) WILL ADVISE IF ANY
CHANGE IN PROGRAMME OCCURS

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DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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FROM : MMIA
TO : AFHQ
INFO : PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
REF NO : SD 2426

SECRET

MMIA LO SARDINIA REPORTS THAT 380 MED RFTS AND 340 SUPPLY
RFTS TOTAL 720 WILL LEAVE ON MONTECUCCOLI AS PART OF FIFTH
SHIPMENT (x) ETA D U K O 13 MAR

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Authenticated by M. L. H. J.

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONE

TO : MMIA

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SECRET

REF MMIA SD 2326 DATED 21 FEB SD 2363 DATED 28 FEB AND AFHQ FX 36248 DATED 2 MAR (.)

C M S REPORT 360 MEDICAL REINFORCEMENTS AND 340 SUSTENENZA REINFORCEMENTS (.)

TOTAL 720 WILL LEAVE ON MONTECUCCOLI AS PART OF 5TH SHIPMENT (.) ETA DUKO 13TH MAR (.)

REQUEST MMIA RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO AFHQ

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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMONS

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To : MMIA for KERR

Info : PENSOUTH/ PENSOUTH for MMIA LO/ MOV NAPLES/ DISTHREE/ AFHQ

Ref : Y 153

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Cruiser MONTBUCCOLI to be loaded with 990 recalled officers and men
Phase I accompanied by 10 CC.RR. (*) Request NAPLES LO be notified
by telephone (*) ETA DUKO 7 March

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3. INDRAPORA for Sardinia Call-up personnel.From :- Mov. L.O. (MMIA).6 Mar 45.

The following details are passed to you for information.

FROM AMHQ CITE ENGIN. 5 Mar 45.
 TO MMIA LO SARDINIA. *copy direct to Sardinia*
 (INFO) MMIA. MOVWIT. MMIALO PENSOUTH. UFFICIO TRASPORTI.

FX 38482 (.) SECRET (.) INDRAPORA capacity 1700 troop deck
 will make two lifts of ITALIAN recall personnel on following
 schedule (.)

Arrives CAGLIARI 11th March sails 12th March

Arrives NAPLES 13th March sails 14th March

Arrives CAGLIARI 15th March sails 16th March

Arrives NAPLES 17th March (.)

Agreed PUTO MED.

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 Capt RA.
 (WAA Evans)
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FROM: MMIA

Date - Time
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TO : AFHQ

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REFERENCE PX 37097 CITE PROCT PHOIN (.) RATE OF MOVEMENT INTO
CAGLIARI IS SUFFICIENT TO KEEP TWO CRUISERS FILLED WITHOUT ANY
DELAY (.) NEW SUBJECT (.) WILL UTILIZE SAMSPERRIN AND SAMLEYIN
FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONNEL IF POSSIBLE

PRECEDENCE _____

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA
TO : LO SARDINIA
SD-2406

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REFERENCE YOUR Y-150 (.) UTILIZE SAMSPERRIN AND SAMLEYTE
FOR TRANSPORTATION OF SUCH RECALLS AS CAN BE CARRIED AS
AGREED BY SSTO AND MASTERS

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

05 1750 A

FROM : MMIA
TO : MMIA 10 SARGENT
REF NO : SD 2401

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IN REPLY YOUR Y 144 OF 4 MAR (*) MARK UP ITI-ITI DRAFT AS
FIFTH SHIPMENT TO MAXIMUM THAT MONTESCUCCOLI CAN
HOLD AND DISCARD DETAILED FIGURES IN MY SD 2363 OF 26 FEB

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St. Al.

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FROM : MMIA LC SARDINIA SGD SIMMONS
TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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WITH ADDITIONAL CRUISER DUE 13th MARCH LIST OF FIRST PHASE RECALLS
SHOULD BE COMPLETE 24 MARCH (*) 2000 SURPLUS FIRST PHASE RECALLS
NOW UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO REPORT 15 MARCH AS ELEMENT OF PHASE TWO
MY TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH COL K E R R REFERS (*) IN VIEW
OF ABOVE C M S URGENTLY RECOMMEND POSTPONMENT REMAINING CALL UP
TILL 3 APRIL (*) UNDUE DELAY HERE WHILST WAITING SHIPMENT NOT
WHOLESOME (*) RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE APPROVAL UNLESS OTHER VESSELS
BECOME AVAILABLE TO LIFT ADDITIONAL 4000 PRIOR TO 1 APRIL

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SGD SIMONS
TO : MMIA FOR KRRR

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SECRET

REF AFHQ CABLE FX 37097 DATED 3 MARCH (*) SECOND SUBJECT (*)
RATE OF MOVEMENT IN C A G L I A R I SUFFICIENT TO KEEP 2 CRUISERS
FILLED CONFIRMED (*) THIRD SUBJECT (*) 500 RECALLS CAN BE
SHIPPED ON EACH LIBERTY BY CARGO BY N O T MORE THAN 1000 TONS EACH
(*) ACTUAL DATES OF DEPARTURE UNCERTAIN (*) REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS
IF EMPLOYMENT OF TRANSPORT GROUP DESIRED

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FROM : MMIA LO BARDINIA
TO : MMIA

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REF YOUR SD 2363 DATED 28 FEB (*) TOTAL NUMBER 1014 TOO MANY FOR
MONTAGUCCI ON 5th SHIPMENT BUT CAN LEAVE ON ABRUZZI
NOW SCHEDULED TO CARRY SIXTH SHIPMENT ETA DUKO 15th MARCH (*)
REQUEST IMMEDIATE CONFIRMATION IF THIS SATISFACTORY (*) OTHERWISE THE
SHIPMENT MUST BE DIVIDED

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FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FILCT FREGIM 031927A
TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA - Sent by MMIA W/T.
INFO : MMIA

FX 37097SECRET

REF YOUR YO 13 OF 1 MAR (*) 1 (*) QUESTION OF ITALIAN NAVY SCHEDULE
OF SAILINGS BEING INVESTIGATED BY C IN C MED (*) 2 (*) PARA 2 OF OUR
FX 35295 OF 28 FEB APPARENTLY RECEIVED MUTILATED BY YOU (*) UNDERSTAND
YOU CANNOT MOVE RECALLS INTO CAGLIARI FOR EMBARKATION FASTER THAN 300
PER DAY (*) 2 CRUISERS MAKING 3 TO 4 DAY TURN ROUND REQUIRE RECALLS TO
ARRIVE CAGLIARI RATE OF 600 PER DAY (*) WE REQUESTED CONFIRMATION THIS
RATE MOVEMENT INTO CAGLIARI COULD BE MAINTAINED (*)
3 (*) NEW SUBJECT (*) SAMSPERRIN AND SAMLEYTE WHEN LOADED CAN EMBARK
RECALLS NUMBER TO BE AGREED BY SPTC AND MASTERS (*) MMIA LO TO ARRANGE
RATIONS (*) AGREED PTO MED \ 500 each

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACMED

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RPTD AC SARDINIA PENGOUTH FOR MMIA LO

INFO MMIA

FX 36248

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MMIA SD/2363 OF 29 FEB REFERS (.) ITI-ITI REINFORCEMENTS FOR

Rome

ROFR FLORENCE TOTALLING 1014 WILL BE SHIPPED FOR PRIORITY 5 PHASE I

CALL UP (.) PARA (.) ADVISE SOONEST WHEN PERSONNEL EMBARK FOR MAINLAND

SO RAIL MOVE MAY BE COORDINATED

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA

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INFO REQUESTED IN YOUR SD 2371 DATED 1ST MARCH CONTAINED IN OUR Y 138 SAME DATE (.)
NEW SUBJECT (.) I T A L I A N NAVY OFFICIALS STATE CRUISER A B R U Z Z I DUE
C A G L I A R I 12TH MARCH INSTEAD OF END MARCH (.) URGENTLY REQUEST ADDITIONAL
INFO IF AVAILABLE

PRIORITY IMMEDIATE

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*Latest
wishant confirming
personnel ship (2000)
you is way between 1700-1800 hrs
this evening*

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*Wishant
Frederick 4/9*

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FROM : MMIA 01 1800 A
TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA
REF : SD 2371 RESTRICTED

REQUEST YOU ANSWER TO MMIA PARA 2 OF AMHQ SIGNAL PX 35295 OF 28 FEB

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AUTHENTICATED S.M. INGLETON Lt Col

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA
AFHQ CITE FROM FIDCT PHMB

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REF AFHQ FX 38295

SIGNED SAME D SUBJECT

ADDITIONAL CRUISER FOR LEVI TO DUKO PROVINCE (.)

LAST TURN-ROUND MONTECUCCOLI IN EXACT ACCORDANCE

WITH SCHEDULE FOR SAILING RECEIVED FROM ITALIAN NAVY

AND DATED 20TH FEB (.)

AT NO TIME HAS ANY CRUISER BEEN DELAYED HERE 1 RPT 1

MINUTE BECAUSE OF FAILURE FOR LOADING PROMPTLY (.)

NEW SUBJECT (.) COMMENT IS SAME SIGNAL REF RATE OF

RECALL NOT UNDERSTOOD (.)

REQUEST CLARIFICATED STATEMENT REGARDING 600 PER DAY AT

EARLIEST POSSIBLE

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From : AFHQ cite FHRNA
To : MMIA MMIA LO SARDINIA
Info : MMIA LO PENSOUTH. UFFICIO TRASPORTI SMRE.
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Ref : FX 35295

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Concurred Cinc MED (.) ONE (.) Second vessel DUCA
D'ABRUZZI being added to SARDINIA NAPLES ferry to expedite
clearance of Italian recalls (.) ETA CAGLIARI approx
2nd March (.) TWO (.) Turn round of vessel at CAGLIARI
with full load must be accelerated (.) Last turn round
MONTECUCCOLI NOT considered fast enough (.) Understand rate of
movement of recall into CAGLIARI is 300 per day (.) Employment
of two cruisers can only be justified if this can be raised
to 600 (.) Can this be done (.) THREE (.) To MMIA (.)
Request you relay this message by your means to SARDINIA (.)
MMIA pass to UFFICIO TRASPORTI SMRE (.)
(Ref para 3 (.) SARDINIA dealt with . Sigs MMIA)

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FROM: MMIA

TO : MMIA IO SARDINIA
AFHQ G-3 (Org) - Mov
MINISTRY OF WAR
PENSCUTH FOR MMIA LC

Date 28 1900 Time

SD 2363

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ONE (.) FURTHER M M I A SD 2326 DATED 21 WAR MINISTRY NOW REQUEST
FOLLOWING ITI-ITI CALL-UP PERSONNEL BE MOVED TO MAINLAND (.)
486 SUSTENENZA RFTS FOR R O M E (.) 528 MED RFTS FOR
F L O R E N C E (.) TOTAL 1014 (.)
TWO (.) THESE SHOULD BE SHIPPED FOR PRIORITY 5 PHASE I CALL UP (.)
THREE (.) FOR SIMMONS PLEASE CONFIRM (.)
FOUR (.) AFHQ PLEASE MOVE DIRECT FROM N A P L E S TO DESTINATIONS
ABOVE AS F R O S I N C N E NOW FULL OF CALL UP PERSONNEL
SWITCHED FROM C E S A N O IN ACCORDANCE YOUR F X 2043
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AUTHENTICATED B. H. C.

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FROM NMIA

TO AFHQ

INFO NMIA LO SARDINIA
PENSCUTH FOR NMIA LO

SD 2352

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SUBJECT IS MOVEMENT OF ITALIAN PERSONNEL FROM SARDINIA (*)

FIRST : (*) SHIPPING DURING FEB HAS ONLY MOVED 2000 PERSONNEL I.E. ONE

THIRD OF MOVEMENT EID FOR (*) AT PRESENT RATE OF PROGRESS OF
FOUR DAY TURN RUND SARDINIA PHASE I WILL NOT BE CLEARED UNTIL APR (*)

SECOND (*) THIS MEANS

(A) PROPORTION OF PERSONNEL WHOULD HAVE BEEN WAITING SIX OR SEVEN
WEEKS WITH CONSEQUENT RESTLESSNESS OF A DESERTION AND LOSS OF
CLOTHING

AND

(B) SARDINIA PHASE III WOULD BE SIMILARLY HANDICAPPED (-)

THIRD (*) IN CIRCUMSTANCES STRONGLY RECOMMEND

(A) YOU PROVIDE ONE FLATTED LIBERTY SHIP CAPACITY 2000 OR EQUIVALENT
FOR ONE OR TWO TRIPS

OR

(B) YOU SUBMIT NMIA TO ADJUST PHASE II AND III CALL-UPS TO COINCIDE

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- FIRST (*) SHIPPING DURING FEB HAS ONLY MOVED 2000 PERSONNEL I.E. ONE THIRD OF MOVEMENT BID FOR (*) AT PRESENT RATE OF PROGRESS OF FOUR DAY TURN RUND SARDINIA PHASE I WILL NOT BE CLEARED UNTIL APR (*)
- SECOND (*) THIS MEANS
- (A) PROPORTION OF PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN WAITING SIX OR SEVEN WEEKS WITH CONSEQUENT RESTLESSNESS C/A. DESERTION AND LOSS OF CLOTHING
- AND
- (B) SARDINIA PHASE III WOULD BE SIMILARLY HANDICAPPED (*)
- THIRD (*) IN CIRCUMSTANCES STRONGLY RECOMMEND
- (A) YOU PROVIDE ONE FLATBED LIBERTY SHIP CAPACITY 2000 OR EQUIVALENT FOR ONE OR TWO THIPS
- OR
- (B) YOU PERMIT ME/IA TO ADJUST PHASE II AND III CALL-UPS TO COINCIDE WITH WHAT SHIPPING YOU CAN REPEAT CAN PROVIDE

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L. M. Longland
H. C. L.

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Subject: Availability Italian Army Personnel - SARDINIA

Land Forces Sub Com AC
(M.M.I.A.).

File No SD/150

27 Feb 45

ITALIA LO SARDINIA

Substitute attached Annex "A" and Appendix "B" for
Appendix "A" and "B" of our letter of even number dated 14 Feb 45.

ST *L.M. Ingledand.*
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Appendix "A" to MOIA letter

ITALIAN ARMY IN SARDINIA

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Cat 15	Det of Territorial HQ ROME	45	95
	Three District HQs (17, 106, 15)	15	
	Depots - (seven) IGLESIAS (1) CAGLIARI (2 & 5)		
	TEMPIO PAVANIA (3) SASSARI (4 & 6)		
	MACOMER (7)	35	

Cat 10 Medical
Section 1) 14 Med Branch, Garrison HQ - CAGLIARI 11
14 Principal Territorial Hosp (250 beds) 180
CAGLIARI

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Appendix "A" to MOIA letter

ITALIAN ARMY IN SARDINIA

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Cat 4E Det of Territorial HQ ROME 45
Three District HQs (17, 106, 15) 15
Depots - (seven) IGLESIAS (4) CAGLIARI (2 & 5)
TIPIC PAVANIA (3) SASSARI (4 & 5)
MACOMER (7) 35

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Cat 1C Medical

Section 1) 14 Med Branch, Garrison HQ - CAGLIARI 11
14 Principal Territorial Hosp (250 beds) 180
CAGLIARI 33
SASSARI 28
CAGLIARI 45
" " 5
Depot Medical Stores 5
Depot Mobilization Medical Stores 6
CAGLIARI 263
14 Medical Stores " " 5
14 Terr Commission War Pensions " " 6

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Section ii) Commissariat - Part A: Supplies

14 Sussistenza Company - CAGLIARI 20
6 Port Detachment " " 17
14 Bulk Supply Depot " " 33
14 Bakery " " 32
74 Food Distribution Depot - SASSARI 20
74 " " " 20
72 " " MACOMER 20
Commissariat - Part B: Clothing etc.
14 Clothing & Equipment Depot - C CAGLIARI 14
14 Bulk Barrack Stores Depot " " 8
14 Italian Salvage Depot " " 11
14 Repair Shops " " 14

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Section iii) Artillery - Nil

iv) Engineers - Nil

v) Veterinary & Remount

24 Remount Depot - SASSARI 21
14 Terr Vet Station - SARDINIA 3

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Section vi) <u>Motor Transport</u>			
14 Administrative Transport Coy - SARDINIA	145		
14 Repair Unit	50		
5 Efficient Vehicle Park	30		
36 Ambulance Car Section	13		
	<u>238</u>		
Section vii) <u>Movement Control</u>			
614 Movement Control Group		50	
		<u>50</u>	
Section viii) <u>Miscellaneous - Nil</u>			
<u>Cat 1A</u> Military Tribunals		30	
		<u>30</u>	
<u>Cat 5</u> CALABRIA Division (less two bns in CALABRIA)	4200		
PWB Censorship	50		
Censorship Units	27		
	<u>4277</u>		
<u>Cat 6C</u> MMIA Signal Section		36	
		<u>36</u>	
		<u>5212</u>	
<u>Cat 1A</u> Temporary Assignment			100 (Excl services)
Territorial HQ (for UDRE) (Type B)			
<u>Cat V</u> A.C. Service Pl			33
<u>Cat 1C</u> Mob IV Wksp			450
<u>Cat 6C</u> Wire Section			<u>57</u>
			<u>640</u>

<u>Cat 1A</u>	<u>Temporary Assignment</u>	<u>100 (Excl services)</u>
<u>Cat V</u>	<u>Territorial HQ (for UDHR) (Type B)</u>	
<u>Cat 1C</u>	A.C. Service Pl	33
<u>Cat 6C</u>	1 Mob Ry Wksp	450
	Wire Section	~~57~~ 62

M.B. Accurate designation of units

Appendix "B" to MHI letter
SD/150 dated Feb 45

Present (24 Jan) strength of Italian Army in SARDINIA
Deduct-authorized strength
To be brought eventually to mainland

7924
5242
2642

Of these 2702, 1506 have already been shipped or are otherwise not available (hospitalization etc.) and 640 will be shipped later as formed units.

This leaves therefore 534 who still have to be brought to the mainland as escorts etc. in course of time.

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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA 26 0900 A
To : MMIA for KERR
Info : PENSOUTH. PENSOUTH for MMIA LO.
MOV NAPLES. DISTHREE. AFHQ.
Ref : Y 126 SECRET

Cruiser MONTECUCCOLI to be loaded with 990 recalled
Offrs and men phase I accompanied by 10 CARABINIERI
(.) Request NAPLES LO be notified by telephone (.)
ETA DUKO 27 Feb

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Naph. Prov.
18-2-63
Destined Afapola
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Subject: Arrivals CA SARDINIA

SD/63

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23/2/45

The following details are passed to you for information:-

FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO MMIA PENSOUTH PENSOUTH for MMIA LO NOV NAPLES DISTRESS
APHQ

Y119 (.) SECRET (.) For KERR signed SIMONE (.) Loaded on S.S. SAMPERIN following Italian Army equipment: 14 Arty tractors and 1 Siannoli stove from POETTO auto park, Barrack stores, food supplies to be consigned to Special Food Depot NAPLES in accordance with MMIA letter SE/33/6 of 30th Jan., Arty equipment and Engrs equipment (.) Also loaded Italian Air Force equipment and 43 Rly Wagons (.) Detailed list for MMIA LO personnel will be delivered by DE STEFANO (.) Total escorting personnel 3 Offrs, 6 NCOs and 36 ORs (.) ETA UKO 23 Feb.

Original to Col. KERR

Copies to G (2) ✓

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 Capt. RA.
 S/Capt. 'Q' (M)
 (The Lord Westbury)
 Movements Liaison Officer

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONE

TO : MMIA ~~XXX~~
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 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
 MOV NAPLES
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FOR KERR (.) LOADED ON SS SANLEYTR ITALIAN ARMY CLOTHING
 FOOD AS PER MMIA LETTER S 2/33/4 OF 30 JAN HOSPITAL SUPPLIES INCL 350
 BEDS ENGINEER MATERIALS (?) ARTY MATERIALS INCL ~~VET~~ SUPPLIES AND 1 LIGHT TRUCK (.)
 DETAILED LIST FOR PENSOUTH MMIA LO DESPATCHED BY (?) COURIER (.)
 64 ITALIAN RAILWAY (?) FREIGHT CARS 4 HOSPITAL ~~XXX~~ CARS AN RAF
 LBYLAND CRANE AND 236 TONS PAINT PIGMENTS FOR BRITISH DEPOTS
 ARE ALSO LOADED (.) FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL ARE ALSO ON BOARD
MATERIAL ESCORT PERSONNEL 3 OFFICERS 5 NCO'S 18 OR'S MEDICAL RETS PER YOUR
 SD 2252 6TH FEB 9 OFFICERS 17 NCO'S 84 OR'S AND CASUAL PERSONNEL 15 OFFICERS
 9 NCO'S 15 OR'S FOR A TOTAL OF 205 PERSONS (.) ETA DUKO 18TH FEB

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S I G N A L

FROM: MMIA

Date Time
16/053 K

TO : AFHQ (G-3 Org) (7)
MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2297

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CORRECTION OF MMIA SD/150 OF 14 FEB 45 (.)

ON PAGE TWO OF ATX AMIS READ CAT SIX CHARLIE

INSTEAD OF TWO EASY FOR THE WIRE SECTION PERSONNEL

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED

Per F. Penning
Major

Internal:

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Nav (.)

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File: SD/150

WB

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Availability Italian Army Personnel - SARDINIA

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/150
14 Feb 48

TO : AREA (G-3 Org) (7)
MMIA LC SARDINIA

1. It is desired to cancel this HQ letter SD/150 of 7 Feb and to substitute the following.
2. The total Italian Army strength in SARDINIA based on the situation as at 24 Jan (with known amendments to date) is 7,924 all ranks.
3. Attached at appx "A" is shown authorized strength of the Italian Garrison in SARDINIA with a total strength of 5,118 all ranks, excluding 670 personnel on temporary assignment.
4. Appx "B" summarizes the position, and shows that there remains to be transported to the mainland:
 - (a) 670 personnel of formed units.
 - (b) 631 unattached personnel.
5. It is pointed out that the recovery of the men in 4(b) above will be very slow as they are being used as escorts for various materiel being transferred to the mainland. No special transport arrangements

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6. Their destination on arrival is ASTRONI as rifts for US-ITN units.

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

Internal: AQ
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Appendix "A" to MGA letter
SD/150 dated 11 February 48

Italian Army in SARDEGNA

Authorized permanently

<u>Cat. IB</u>	Det. of Territorial HQ ROME Three District Hqs Depots - (seven) IGLESIAS, CAGLIARI, TEMPIO PAUSANIA, SASSARI, MACOMER	45 15 <u>35</u>	95
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Cat. IC Medical

Directorate Pharmacy Depot Med Ord Depot Med Mob Depot Hygiene Pl War Pensions Commission Principal Hospital CAGLIARI Camp Reception Hospital SASSARI	11 15 5 5 28 6 155 <u>35</u>	256
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M.E. Admin Tpt Coy

Nucleo Militari SARDEGNA Repair and Recovery Unit Nucleo Militari SARDEGNA	146 <u>50</u>	195
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Commissariat

Territorial Commissariat Sup Coy Port Det Bulk Sup. Dep Three Distribution Dep Bakery Bulk Clothing Dep Repair Dep	49 20 17 33 60 10 14 9
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5
28
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105
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M.T. Admin Tpt Coy

Nucleo Militari SARDEGNA
Repair and Recovery Unit Nucleo
Militari SARDEGNA

145

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195

Commissariate

Territorial Commissariat
Sup Coy
Port Det
Bulk Sup Dep
Three Distribution Dep
Bakery
Bulk Clothing Dep
Repair Dep
Clothing repair shop and laundry
Bulk Barrack Store Depot

49
20
17
33
50
10
14
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22
7

241

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VET Area Vet Station

Military Tribunals

3

30

Cat. 1a

Cat. 5 CALABRIA Division (less two bns in
CALABRIA)

4200

PWE Censorship
Censorship Units

50

27

4277

Cat. 60 MILA Sig Sec

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Temporary Assignment

<u>Cat. 1A</u>	Territorial HQ (for UDINE) (Type B)	100 (excl services)
<u>Cat. V</u>	A.C. Service Pl	33
<u>Cat. 10</u>	3 Veh Fk 1 Mob Hy Wasy	30 450
<u>Cat. 56</u>	Wire Section	57
		670

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H.B. accurate designation of units will follow.

Appendix "B" to 10712 letter
SD/150 dated February 48

1. Present (24 Jan) strength of Italian Army in SARDINIA 7324
 Deduct - Authorized strength 5115
 To be brought eventually to mainland 2209
 Of these 2209, 1200 have already been shipped or are otherwise
 not available (hospitalization etc.) and 670 will be shipped
 later as formed units.

This leaves therefore 681 who still have to be brought to the
 mainland as escorts etc. in course of time.

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Appendix "g" to NMIA letter
SD/150 dated February 56

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5115
2909

Present (24 Jan) strength of Italian Army in SARDINIA

Deduct -- authorized strength

to be brought eventually to mainland

Of these 2502, 1503 were already been shipped or are otherwise
not available (hospitalization etc.) and 970 will be shipped
later as formed units.

This leaves therefore 999 who still have to be brought to the
mainland as escorts etc. in course of time.

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FROM : AFHQ
TO : NMIA : NMIA LO, SARDINIA
INFO : PENSOUTH NMIA LO

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NMIA SD 2285 OF 13 FEBRUARY REFERS (*) DUE TO MISHAP SHIP WILL NOT
BE AVAILABLE CAGLIARI UNTIL 18 FEBRUARY AND EVERY 3 DAYS THEREAFTER
SHIP WILL MOVE 1000 PERSONNEL TO MAINLAND

RETRANSMITTED BY W/T NMIA

RJ LUCAS
Sjt

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SECRET

SUBJECT: - Availability Italian Army Personnel - SARDINIA

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MIA)
SD/150

7 Feb 45

AFHQ (G-3 Org) (7)

MIA LO SARDINIA

1. Further to conversation Maj BARNES on the above subject.
2. The total Italian Army strength in SARDINIA based on the situation as at 24 Jan (with known emendments to date) is 8,774 all ranks.
3. Attached at Appx A is shown authorized strength of the Allied Garrison in SARDINIA with a total strength of 6,238 all ranks.
4. Attached at Appx B is a statement of personnel at present in SARDINIA over and above the authorized strength of the Allied Garrison, totalling 2,486 all ranks, and showing a total of 978 odd unassigned personnel for eventual service on the mainland.
5. It is pointed out that recovery of these men will be very slow as they are being used as escorts for various materials being transferred to the mainland.
6. Their destination on arrival is ASTRONI as rifts for US-ITN units.

AHQ (G-3 Org) (7)

MMIA LO SARDINIA

1. Further to conversation Maj BARNES on the above subject.
2. The total Italian Army strength in SARDINIA based on the situation as at 24 Jan (with known amendments to data) is 8,724 all ranks.
3. Attached at Appx A is shown authorized strength of the Allied Garrison in SARDINIA with a total strength of 6,238 all ranks.
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6. Their destination on arrival is ASIRONI as rite for US-III units.

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Appendix "A" to MIA letter
SD/150 of 7 February 1945

ITALIAN ARMY GARRISON IN SARDINIA
(less CC R2)

(ITI-ITI)

Military HQ SARDINIA Cat 1 150
Cagliari Division Cat 5(E) 5000
PWS Censorship Unit (Cat 5(G)) 50
Allied Commission Service Platoon 33
Cat 5(A) 32

Services - Cat 1

Sigs Radio Station 16
Supply 30
One Regional HQ 15
with attached officers 4
One Supply Company 2
One Port Detachment 2
One Bulk Supply Depot 3
Three Distribution Depots 2
One Bakery 2
Clothing and Equipment Depots 10

Motor Transport

HQ Unit (Direzioni Automobilistica) 2
MT Ambulance Section (10 Cars) 1
MT Personnel Pool 30

Medical

District Directorate 8
Pharmacy Depot 12
Med Ord Depot 4
Med Mob Depot 4
Hygiene Platoon 27
War Pensions Commission 3
Sardinian Hospital Cagliari 118

Cat 5 (A)

Services - Cat 1

Sigs Radio Station	16	16	45
<u>Supply</u>	15	30	4
One Regional HQ	4	--	20
with attached officers	2	18	17
One Supply Company	2	15	33
One Fort Detachment	3	30	60
One Bulk Supply Depot	2	18	10
Three Distribution Depots	8	8	45
One Bakery	10	35	
Clothing and Equipment Depots			
<u>Motor Transport</u>			
HQ Unit (Direzione Automobilistica)	2	2	4
MT Ambulance Section (10 Cars)	1	16	17
MT Personnel Pool	30	410	440
<u>Medical</u>			
District Directorate	3	8	11
Pharmacy Depot	3	12	15
Med Ord Depot	1	4	5
Med Mob Depot	1	4	5
Hygiene Platoon	1	27	28
War Pensions Commission	3	3	6
Principale Hospital C.OLLARI	36*	112	148
Mil Hospital SASSARI	20*	55	74
			366
			6,238

* Includes 13 Sisters

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Appendix "B" to MIAA letter
SD/150 of 7 February 1945

AVAILABILITY OF PERSONNEL
SARDINIA

1. The following personnel are at present in SARDINIA over and above the strength of the authorized Garrison:-

	<u>Citizens</u>	<u>CRS</u>
Infantry and Arty Elements	120	372
Supply personnel	31	354
Engineers	34	NIL
Drivers	19	148
Motor Mechanics	14	204
Personnel at veh parks	5	58
Personnel to be discharged	48	363
	<u>271</u>	<u>1539</u>
Hospitalized personnel -		676
(a percentage may be recoverable)	<u>271</u>	<u>2215</u>
Total All Ranks		<u>2,485</u>

2. From the figures quoted above the following must be deducted:-

(a) MT personnel to remain in SARDINIA temporarily, later coming to Mainland as a formed unit

Total All Ranks 480

(b) The following have been shipped to the mainland since the figures in para 1 above were made up:-

Personnel for demobilisation

Total All Ranks 352

(c) Hospitalized personnel

Total All Ranks 676

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Infantry and Arty Elements
Supply personnel
Engineers
Drivers
Motor Mechanics
Personnel at veh parks
Personnel to be discharged

120 372
31 384
34 NIL
19 148
14 204
5 68
48 363

271 1539

Hospitalized personnel -

(a percentages may be recoverable)

676

271 2215

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Total All Ranks 352

(c) Hospitalized personnel

Total All Ranks 676

Total All Ranks 1,506

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3. Deduction of total figure in para 2 above from total para 1 gives an available total of 978 odd unassigned personnel for eventual service on the mainland.

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ROSSETT
TO: MMIA FOR SIMMONS

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REF YOUR SD 2252 DATED 06 FEB (*) ACK (*) CMS HAVE BEEN SO INFORMED

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MCV(2)

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA

TO : LO SARDINIA

SD 2252

Time - Date

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FOR FOSSETT (.) REFERENCE MMIA RADIO 2302 DATED 30 JANUARY
AND YOUR RADIO Y68 DATED FOUR FEBRUARY (.) ENTIRE COMPLEMENT
MEDICAL PERSONNEL URGENTLY NEEDED AND WILL BE SHIPPED AS
DIRECTED (.) ACKNOWLEDGE

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA
PENSOUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

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NOTE: THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY CIPHER SECRET			
FROM (A)	MMIA Lo S/IA Signed	Date-Time of Origin	041630
TO	MMIA for SIMMONS	Per Action	204
Original No.	Y69	SECRET	
Further to our Y66 and (2) in reply MMIA SD 2234 and SD 2236 of 3 Feb 60 from 020900 Feb - 030900 Feb 24 officers reported for call up 7381 from 030900 Feb - 040900 Feb 32 officers reported for call up			

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MMIA

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LO SARDINIA

SD 2236

SECRET

REF CALL UP (*) ONE (*) NO REPORTS RECEIVED YET (*)
TWO (*) HOW MANY HAVE BEEN ENLISTED (*) THREE (*)
HOW MANY ARE YOU SHIPPING FROM CAGLIARI (A) ON 4 FEB (B)
ON 5 FEB (C) ON 6 FEB

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INTERNAL

FILE : SD/77
SD/63

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SAC

TO : MMIA

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INFO: SIMONE SARDINIA
PENSOUL FOR MMIA LO
MOV ROME
DISTANCE EAST
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MOVIT
MMIA LO 64 AREA

FX 18399

SECRET

YOUR SD 2202 OF 30 JAN REFERS (.) ITI-ITI MEDITERRANEAN REINFORCEMENTS
WILL BE READY TO MOVE FROM SARDINIA ON 5 FEB AS BOAT WILL BE AVAILABLE (.)
RAIL MOVEMENT BEING ARRANGED FOR MOVE FROM NAPIES TO ROME AND WILL BE
FORWARDED (.) NEW SUBJECT (.) YOUR SD 2203 OF 30 JAN REFERS (.) WILL
BID FOR RAIL MOVE AND ADVISE ALL CONCERNED OF DATES

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMMONS
TO : MMIA FOR KERR
INFO : PENSOUTH:PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO:MOV NAPLES:DISTHREE:AFHQ:AAI:

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CRISER A B R U Z Z I TO BE LOADED (?) WITH THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN ARMY
PERSONNEL SARDINIA BN 515 OFFICERS AND MEN 10 TONS EQUIPMENT: VOLUNTEER
NUCLEUS 182 OFFICERS AND MEN: CASUALS 52 MEN (*) WILL ALSO LOAD 80
ITALIAN AIR CORPS PERSONNEL AND 35 ITALIAN SAILORS (*) ETA DUKO 2 FEB (*)
COLONEL SIMMONS ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ EXPECTS TO BE ABOARD (*) REQUEST SIMON'S
DRIVER AT NAPLES BE ADVISED BY TELEPHONE TO MEET CRISER

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA

30/12/30 A

TO AFHQ G3 Org and MOV

INFO SIMMONS SARDINIA PENSOUTH FOR MMIA TO MOV ROME

SD 2202

RESTRICTED

PLEASE MOVE FOLLOWING ITI-ITI MED RPTS FROM SARDINIA TO NAPLES FOR
ROME DESTINATION 8 MED COX (.) MEDICAL OFFRS 9 INCL 1 SURGEON
1 RADIOLOGIST 1 FIELD OFFR (.) NCOs 14 (.) ORs 100 (.) TOTAL 123 (.)
URGENTLY REQUIRED FOR HOSPITALS IN COMBAT AREA (.) M of W INFORMED

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED St. L. M.

Copies to: Min of War, A/Q, Q(AE), SPEC SEC, ST. MED. MOV (2)
File SD/63, SD/12/1, Circ., Float (2)

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Subject: Mules from Sardinia.

527A/229

31 Jan. 49

The following details are passed to you for information :-

FROM : TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
TO : ALCOM SARDINIA REGION AFHQ CITE PHCOM FOR INFO ALCOM
CIVITAVECCHIA FOR INFO

REF. 898 28 JAN. 45 PRIORITY

SECRET RD

PARA ONE PD IT IS AGREED THAT 100 ARMY MULES BE LOADED ON TO
MOUNT EVEREST ON NEXT VOYAGE IN ADDITION TO ALCOM ANIMALS PD

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Westbury

S/Capt. (R)

(The Lord Westbury);

Movements Liaison Officer. - 7356

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Subject: Mules from Gardinia

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527A/229

From Transportation Sub Commission

31 Jan

To ALCON GARDINIA REGION AFHQ CITE FROM FROM FOR INFO
ALCON CIVITAVECCHIA FOR INFO

l.f. 8988

16 JAN 45

PRIORITY

SECRET DD

PARA ONE PD IT IS AGREED THAT ONE ¹⁰⁰ ~~END~~ ~~END~~ ARMY MULES BE LOADED
ONTO MOUNT EVEREST ON NEXT VOYAGE IN ADDITION TO ALCON ANIMALS PD
PAREN TO ALCON GARDINIA REGION TO AFHQ CITE FROM FROM TO ALCON
CIVITAVECCHIA FROM ALCON PAREN

COPY TO AGRICULTURE SUB COM
MMIA ✓
HQ LAZIO UMBRIA REGION

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- 1st Lt
- 2nd Lt

TRANSPORTATION SO

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MEMO TO RABBITIA

REV 601

REPORT

FOR SIDERS (.) AFTER SAY IT IS IMPORTANT THAT VESSEL ON FERRY SERVICE BE
LOADED TO MAXIMUM CAPACITY WHICH IS 1000, REPEAT 1000 PERSONNEL PER TRIP (.)
THIS IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO COMPLETE PROGRAMME BY FEB 10 (.)

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Capt. R2

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FROM: MMIA LO S/IA SGD SIMMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KHR

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Y55

SECRET

BN 500 NOT LOADED FOR DUKO

26 JAN OUR Y48 DATED 24 JAN AND Y52 DATED 26 JAN REFERS (.) ATTEMPT
TO REPLY BY TELEPHONE UNSUCCESSFUL (.) BN WILL DEPART NEXT CRUISER (.)
ETA DUKO 2 FEB

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WB

(A)

No action except to notify

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SD DIST.: SD/43/2 (Action Copy)
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Done 29 Jan
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Subject:- Sardinia Bn in Cagliari

527K/224

27/1/45

The following details are passed to you for information:-

FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMMONS
TO MMIA

SECRET

24/1

REF your SD2130 dated 23 JAN and Mov 676 23 Jan (.) SARDINIA bn.
total strength 515 in CAGLIARI ready to ship(.) Cruiser ABRUZZE
departs for DUKO 26 Jan (.) Request immediate instructions if
Bn should be shipped on 26 Jan.

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SD/28
SD/50

Capt. RE.
S / Capt. Q(R)
(The Lord Westbury)
-Movements Liaison Officer

Too late. missed
the boat
29 Jan 7352
REP

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Subject: Personnel previously allotted to the OC.RR. & Now being returned to the Army of
Sardinia. 36

710/55

24 Jan. 1945

The following details are passed to you for information :-

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE: FREQT

TO : HQ ALCON, INFO: IMIA.

SECRET.

FK 90248 23/1

YOUR 225 OF 20 JANUARY REFERS.

1. MOVEMENT INSTRUCTIONS WILL FOLLOW SOONEST WHEN ARRANGED.
2. YOUR PARA 6: SHIPPING OF PERSONNEL FROM SARDINIA SET FOR 26 JANUARY CURRENT.

Original & Copy to : Spl. Sec.

Copies to : G (2)

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SD Dist 30/28 NC

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Capt. RE.
S/Dept Q(M)
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE - TIME

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FROM : MMIA

TO (FOR ACTION): AFHQ FOR G 1 BR & MCW.

TO (FOR INFO) : AFHQ FOR G 3 ORG

15 ARMY GROUP

1 DIST

3 DIST

ICP RAC CESSANO

1 DIST FOR MMIA LO

3 DIST FOR MMIA LO

54 AFHQ FOR MMIA LO

1 ENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

SIGS BARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL

ALCON

ALCON FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

SD 2186

CONFIDENTIAL

MMIA SD 2130 OF 23 PARA FIRST IS CANCELLED (.) REFERENCE SD 2184 OF TODAY SUBJECT

MOVEMENT BID FOR INTER ALLIA COMBAT REITS (.) THE FOLLOWING FOR/ER FICENO PERSONNEL

EX COOR NOW REQUIRED URGENTLY CESSANO FOR REQUISITION AND DESPATCH TO MEET ARMY

HIGH PRIORITY DEMANDS FOR TRAINED COMBAT REITS (.) MOVEMENT REQUESTED AT EARLIEST

POSSIBLE MOMENT (.)

ALL TO CESSANO (.)

ONE (.) 9 OFFERS 411 ORS 24 TONS (.) FROM DART (.)

TWO (.) 18 OFFERS 439 ORS 24 TONS (.) FROM CHIETI (.)

THREE (.) 20 OFFERS 480 ORS 24 TONS (.) FROM MARTI : FRANCA (.) THIS IS 1 BN HIS

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ICF RAC CESANO
1 DIST FOR MMIA LO
3 DIST FOR MMIA LO
54 AREA FOR MMIA L
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SIGS BARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL
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ALCON FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

SD 2186

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MMIA SD 2130 OF 23 PARA FIRST IS CANCELLED (.) REFERENCE SD 2184 OF TODAY SUBJECT
MOVEMENT DID FOR INTER ALIA COMBAT RPTS (.) THE FOLLOWING FORMER FIGENO PERSONNEL
EX CORP NOW REQUIRED URGENTLY CESANO FOR REEQUIPMENT AND DESPATCH TO MEET ARMY
HIGH PRIORITY DEMANDS FOR TRAINED COMBAT RPTS (.) MOVEMENT REQUESTED AT EARLIEST
POSSIBLE MOMENT (.)
ALL TO CESANO (.)
ONE (.) 9 OFFRS 411 OES 24 TONS (.) FROM BARI (.)
TWO (.) 18 OFFRS 439 OES 24 TONS (.) FROM CHIETI (.)
THREE (.) 20 OFFRS 490 OES 24 TONS (.) FROM VARESE (.) FRANCA (.) THIS IS 1 DM EIS
235 INF REGT (.)
FOUR (.) 20 OFFRS 466 OES 24 TONS EX NAPLES AND 4 OFFRS 939 OES 24 TONS EX ROTTE
WILL BE MOVED DIRECT TO CESANO BY ROAD THT UNDER ARRANGEMENTS MMIA IN 2 GT COY (.)

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PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATION

INT: MINISTRY OF WAR

AG. SPEC SEC. NOV (2)

SD/42, 52, 57, 14, 18, 50(2).

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50/14MESSAGE FORM

FROM : WMA
TO : AFHQ FOR G1 BR G3 CRG NOV
REF : SD 2185
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FIRST (*) REQUEST YOU ARRANGE FOLLOWING MOVES OF HTS WEEK 5 FEB TO

11 FEB (*) HEAD IN COLUMNS A DESCRIPTION B NUMBERS C PRESENT LOCN

D DESTINATION E RECEIVING FWH (*)

A	KEY ENGRS	B 175	C	FIRM TRAM	D TO RICCIONE	E	FOR 13 JULY EN	(*)
A	LAE	B 200	C	"	TRAM D 3 DIST BEST	E	" 3 DIST	(*)
A	ENGRS	B 100	C	"	TRAM D 3 DIST DAST	E	" 3 DIST	(*)
A	ENGRS	B 107	C	"	TRAM TO PESARO	E	" EIGHTH ARMY	(*)
A	COMBAT HTS	B 200	C	"	CESANO D " PESARO	E	" FRIULI GP	(*)
A	COMBAT HTS	B 200	C	"	CESANO D " PESARO	E	" CREMONA GP	(*)
A	COMBAT HTS	B 200	C	"	CESANO D " ASCOLI	E	" POLIGONE GP	(*)
A	COMBAT HTS	B 200	C	"	CESANO D " AREZZO	E	" LEGNANO GP	(*)
A	PICENO TELE RADIO COY	B 250	C	"	MARTINI D " CESANO FRANCE	E	" IOP ETC	(*)
A	ENGRS	B 90	C	"	CAPIA D " CAETA	E	" 561 COY	(*)
A	ENGRS	B 85	C	"	CAPIA D " CHIETI	E	" 562 COY	(*)
A	PATRIOTS	B 500	C	"	AREZZO D " CESANO	E	" IOP ETC	(*)

NOTE THIS MOVE REQUIRED 8 FEB (*)

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A LAB B 200 C " TRANI D 3 DIST BEST E " 3 DIST (*)
 A EMGRS B 100 C " TRANI D 3 DIST BEST E " 3 DIST (*)
 A EMGRS B 107 C " TRANI TO PESARO E " EIGHTH ARMY (*)
 A COMBAT RPTS B 200 C " CESSANO D " PESARO E " FRIULI GP (*)
 A COMBAT RPTS B 200 C " CESSANO D " PESARO E " ORZIGNONE GP (*)
 A COMBAT RPTS B 200 C " CESSANO D " ASCOLI E " FOLGORE GP (*)
 A COMBAT RPTS B 200 C " CESSANO D " AREZZO E " LEGNANO GP (*)
 A PICENO TELE B 250 C " MARTINA D " CESSANO E " ICF HMC (*)
 RADIO COY
 A EMGRS B 90 C " CAPUA D " CAETA E " 561 COY (*)
 A EMGRS B 35 C " CAPUA D " CHIETI E " 562 COY (*)
 A PATRIOTS B 500 C " AREZZO D " CESSANO E " ICF HMC (*)

NOTE THIS MOVE REQUIRED 8 FEE (*)

A EX CAMMINI B 9 OFFRS 411 ORS 24 TMS C FROM EAST DC TO ~~CELSANO~~ E HETS CAMP
 A EX CAMMINI B 18 OFFRS 439 ORS 24 TMS C FROM CHIETI D TO ~~CELSANO~~ E HETS CAMP
 L 1 DN HES 235 HECT B 20 OFFRS 480 ORS 2 TMS C FROM MARTINA FRANCA D CESSANO E HET CAMP
 A SICILY CALL UP B 500 C REGGIO D ORVIETO E HET DEPOT

SECOND (.) FURTHER MOVE OF PATRIOTS REQUIRED 12 FEE

B 500 C FROM AREZZO D TO CESSANO E ICF HMC (.)

THIRD (.) THIS SIGNAL CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR MOVES OF RPTS (.)

FOURTH (.) SARDINIA CALL UP STARTS 1 FEB (.) HETTERS AVAILABLE FOR MOV WILL

BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATED



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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA Sgd SIMONS 26 2030 A
To : MMIA for KERR
Info : PENSOUTH. PENSOUTH for MMIA LO. MOV NAPLES. DIST 3. AFHQ. AAL.
Ref : Y 52 SECRET

Cruiser ABRUZZI loaded with following Italian military personnel : detachment
volunteers 72 Offrs and men/Carabinieri nucleus 28 men/Royal Finance Guard
nucleus 8 men/casuals 252 Offrs and men/3 Tons equipment/Public Safety Agents
and Prison Guards 27 men, Italian Air ~~Force~~ ^{Corps} personnel 70 men/Italian Navy
personnel 230 men (.) ETA DUKO 27 Jan

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*Documents for Santa
MMIA LO Naples warning
Mantova*

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26 JANUARY 1945

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TO: ALCOM SARDINIA REGION ATTENTION RPSO

FROM: HQ ALCOM

RESTRICTED (.) SUBJECT IS RETURN OF PICENO GROUP TO ITALIAN ARMY (.)

PARA ONE (.) REFERENCE OUR 493 OF 25 JANUARY

(CC.RR.)

PARA TWO (.) 500 CONGEDANTI ON LOAN TO CHARLIE CHARLIE ROGER ROGER WILL

BE SHIPPED FROM CAGLIARI TO MAINLAND ON 30 JANUARY 45 (.)

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THEY ARE AVAILABLE ON THIS DATE

Copy to: Land Forces
(Maj. Staigton)

Public Safety Sub-Commission

Ext 365

F.J. WILSON Lt.Col.

Nicholas PIOMBINO
CWO, USA
Asst. Adjutant

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29 Jan 45
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Subject: Traffic from SARDINIA.

527A/222 31

24 Jan. 1945

The following details are passed to you for information :-

FROM : FX90234 SIGNED SACRED CITE PHUM FICCT

TO : MMIA SARDINIA FOR SIMONS

(INFO) : MOVWIT MMIA LO NAPLES MMIA HQ ALCOM

SECRET. ~~FX90234~~ FX90234 23

MONTSCUCCOLI PLUS DUCA D'ABRUZZI ARE RECOMMENDING CAGLIARI FERRY

DUCA D'ABRUZZI WILL MAKE FIRST LEAVE 26 JAN. ARRANGE EMBARKATION OF TWO FIVE OFFERS 475 ORs, COMBESANTE OF CAGLIARI FILLING UP WITH PRIORITY LIST SEVEN PERSONNEL. REQUEST YOU ENSURE NO DELAY IN REBARKATION AND TURN ROUND PD CHARLES IN CHARLIE MED COMBES.

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Capt. RE.
S/Capt Q(M)
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.

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(1) 800000 1001A LO SARDINIA

(2) 4000 0000 0000 (5) 1001A LO PENSOUTH
FHGpm

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SECRET.

FORWARDED DETAILS SHIP AT REQUEST OF AMER CITE FIELD (.)
INVESTIGATION AND AREA AIRPORT WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM SARDINIA - NAPLES
SEA OF LAST HARBOR 26 JAN (.) YOU SHOULD BRING 25 0000 455 000. COMBATANT OF
OCCUPANCY DEVIATION AND FILL UP WITH LIST 7 PERSONNEL (.) REQUEST NO DELAY IN
REMARKS AND RETURNED (.)

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Ed Dicks

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FOR MMIA LO (*)

FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNAL Y-38 OF

21 ADDRESSED MMIA FOR KERR CMA AFHQ FOR G-3 CMA MMIA LO SICILY

QUOTE (*) 12 LIGHT TANKS CMA 2 CAGES SPARE PARTS FOR TANKS

CMA 2 RAMPS FOR TANKS CMA TOP STORAGE SS BRIGTON STA PALERMO

23 JAN (*) SIGNAL FOLLOWS SOONEST DETAILING CARGO FOR DIKO

(*) UNQUOTE

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MESSAGE

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FROM MIA

TO ALCM FOR G1(BR) AND G2(ORG) AND MOV

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 54 AREA FOR MIA LO, ICP RPT CENTER MIA LO, SIGS OFFICE BARLETTA FOR
 O'DONNELL, .

ALCOM, ALCOM FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, ALCOM SARDINIA FOR COL ~~SHAWNS~~
 SIMMONS

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THE ALCM 225 OF 20 (.) FIRST (.) REQUEST YOU MOVE P I C E N O R M S EX
 CARABINIERI AS FOLLOWS (.) A (.) TO A F R A G G O L A (.) 20 OFFER 466 ORS
 24 TONS STORES FROM N A P L E S (.) B (.) TO T R A N I (.) 9 OFFER 441
 ORS 24 TONS FROM B A R I (.) 18 OFFER 439 ORS 24 TONS FROM C H I E T I
 (.) C (.) TO C E S A N O FOR REQUIREMENT AND DISPATCH AS COMBAT RMS 40
 OFFER 939 ORS 24 TONS (.) SECOND (.) INTERIM REQUEST SHIPPING BE MADE
 AVAILABLE TO BRING REMAINING 500 TONS FROM S A R D I N I A TO MAINLAND (.)
 FOR SIGNS (.) THESE ARE NOW PREVIOUSLY ALLOCATED TO CARABINIERI AND NOW
 TO BE RETURNED TO THE ARMY (.) PLEASE CONFIRM READINESS TO MOVE

SD 2130

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REF ALCON 225 OF 20 (.) FIRST (.) REQUEST FOR MOVE P I C E N O R E S EX
CARABINIERI AS FOLLOWS (.) A (.) TO A F R A G O L A (.) 20 OFFRS 466 OPS
24 TONS STONES FROM H A P L E S (.) B (.) TO T R A N I (.) 9 OFFRS 441
OPS 24 TONS FROM B A R I (.) 18 OFFRS 439 OPS 24 TONS FROM C H I E T I
(.) C (.) TO C A S A N O FOR REQUISITION AND DESPATCH AS COMBAT RPS 40
OFFRS 939 OPS 24 TONS (.) SECOND (.) FURTHER REQUEST SHIPPING RE MAKE
AVAILABLE NO LONGER REMAINING 500 FROM S A R D I N I A TO MAINLAND (.)
FOR SIGMAS (.) THESE ARE MEN PREVIOUSLY ALLOTTED TO CARABINIERI AND NOW
TO BE RETURNED TO THE ARMY (.) PLEASE CONTINUE REMAINING TO MOVE

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REP YOUR Y 23 (.) NO ACTION REQUIRED BY YOU ON AFHQ PX 83234 (.)

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Nov (2)
SD/50 (2)

MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMONS

21 1800 A

TO MMIA for KERR
AFHQ G-3
MMIA LO SICILY

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RESTRICTED

ETA PALERMO of SS BRIGHTON with 12 light tanks 2 cages spare parts
for tanks and 2 ramps for tanks top stowage 23 Jan (*) Details
of cargo for DUKO will follow by signal soonest

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Send copy to a/c
for PS

FROM FENBOUTH NMIA LO
TO NMIA INFO AFHQ for G-3 Org

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SECRET

Ref your SD 2104 of 16 (.) FIRST (.) Personnel ships have always been signalled on arrival NAPLES details of stores mailed by letter NMIA no copy AFHQ (.) In future will signal both details on personnel and clothing equipment figures with copy AFHQ (.) SECOND (.) Following on Fort RICHELIEU (.) 60 tons clothing and equipment (.) 84 tons empty olive oil barrels in amount of 1675 barrels (.) SPA 117 trucks as follows, 21 TRATTORI/STL/37, 7 TRATTORI SPA AS/37, 10 RIMORCHI per PAVESI, 42 TRATTORI PAVESI, 18 TRATTORI BREDI, 4 AUTOBAGNI, 1 TRATTORE PETER 4 (.) 435 Italian Engineer material (.) 365 tons Italian Air Force material (.) THIRD (.) Mount EVEREST No stores discharge NAPLES (.) Discharged Italian Personnel 4 offrs 93 men CIVITAVECCHIA personnel now in AFRAGOLA Camp (.) FOURTH (.) SAMLEYTE arrived 10 Jan, still in bay.

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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REF YOUR SD 2103 DATED 16 JAN (.) AFHQ FX 08693 OF 26 NOVEMBER RECEIVED
29TH NOVEMBER (.) THIS SIGNAL WAS INCORRECTLY FILED AWAY AND ACTION
DELAYED (.) COL SIMMONS HAS ALL INFORMATION WITH HIM IN ROME AND WILL
HANDLE

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No action necessary
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AFHQ for G-3 ORG

SD 2104

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FOR WMIA LG (.) SIGNAL IMMEDIATELY ON ARRIVAL IN NAPLES DETAILS
OF PERSONNEL OR STORES FROM SARDINIA WITH COPY TO AFHQ FOR
G3 ORG IN EACH CASE (.) ADVISE DETAILS OF WHAT ARRIVED ON FORT
MICHELINO AND MOUNT EVEREST SINCE ONE JANUARY (.) HAS SARDIYA
ARRIVED QUARTY (.)

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AFHQ For G-3 ORG

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FOR MMIA LG (..) SIGNAL IMMEDIATELY ON ARRIVAL IN NAPLES DETAILS
OF PERSONNEL OR STORES FROM SARDINIA WITH COPY TO AFHQ FOR
G3 ORG IN EACH CASE (..) ADVISE DETAILS OF WHAT ARRIVED ON FORT
RICHELIEU AND MOUNT EVEREST SINCE ONE JANUARY (..) HAS SAWLEYTE
ARRIVED QUARTY (..)

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C. P. ARRR, Col

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MMIA LO SARDINIA

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WHEN DID YOU RECEIVE A F R Q SIGNAL FX 58683 OF 26 NOV
AND WHAT ACTION WAS TAKEN

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FROM: NMIA LO SANDRIA SIGNED FORSETT

TO : NMIA FOR SIMONS

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SECRET

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED COPY SIGNAL FX 00234 FROM ASHQ 03 DATED
 11 JAN (.) HAVE NMIA MAIN RECEIVED A COPY (?) NEW SUBJECT (.)
 12 LIGHT TANKS WILL BE TOP STORAGE FOR FIRST DISCHARGE ON
 SS BRIGHTON (.) WILL ADVISE NMIA ASHQ 0-3 AND NMIA LO NICELY
 SAIL WHEN DETERMINED AS REQUESTED IN SD 2008 DATED 14 JAN

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18 Jan 2008

SD 2101 of 16 for report

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FROM, FIDCT

TO : MOV LO 204 SUB AREA

141445

INFO: SSTD SICILY,
204 SUB AREA
MMIA
ALCOM SICILY FOR MMIA LO
ALCOM
MMIA LO SARDINIA
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FX 84812

SECRET

Reference our FX 81335 of 8 January and MMIA SD 2058 of
7 January (.) 12 Italian Light tanks are being loaded in
vessel BRIGHTON eta PALERMO 21 January (.) Agreed .

PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

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Dist.: Info-Action: P. Safety
" " L. Forces
Info: A/President
Chief Commissioner
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ADVLN WRM SD UNIGHTON IS TO BALE (.)

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SD 2092

SECRET

VESSELS SCHEDULED TO TRANSPORT RAILWAY WAGONS LEVY TO INKO
WILL CARRY OTHER LIST SEVEN MT AND STORES (.) SEE SUBJECT (.)
INFORM APRQ 9-3 WHEN SS BRIGHTON LEAVES LEVY WITH TWELVE
LIGHT TANKS (.) SIGNED SIMMONS (.)

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AFSA FOR US

SD 8082

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REF YOUR PX 83234 CITE FIRST (.) INFORMATION OF ALL CRIPPLES
 SA SAKHIA HAS BEEN FURNISHED (.) SOME AVAILABLE ONLY AFTER SHIPS
 ARRIVED RAPIDLY THE TO FACT THAT COMMUNICATIONS WITH SAKHIA WERE
 UNTIL RECENTLY ONLY BY AIR COURIER (.) YOUR MESSAGE TO SAKHIA
 EVIDENTLY GO BY AIR COURIER TAKING SEVERAL DAYS AND INFORMATION HAS
 IN SAKHIA BEEN FURNISHED THROUGH OTHER CHANNELS (.) REQUEST YOU
 TELL US WHAT IS WANTED FROM SAKHIA AND WE WILL BRING OVER OUR DIRECT
 W/T LINK (.) 12 LIGHT TANKS BEING LOADED ON SS SAKHIA IN ACCORDANCE
 WITH YOUR PX 81335 AND PX 81307 (.) SAILING TIME OF SAKHIA FROM
 SAKHIA NOT YET KNOWN (.) YOU WILL BE ADVISED (.)

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FROM: MEMO LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

TO : MEMO FOR KERR

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SECRET

REF YOUR RADIOS SD 2058 DATED 7TH JAN AND SD 2086 DATED 9TH
JAN AND SACRED CAMEL FX 67143 (DATED 11TH DEC) CLARIFICATION
URGENTLY REQUESTED (.) FIRST (.) WHAT PORT IS DESTINATION OF
TANKS (?) IF SICILY WILL SS BRIGHTON PROCEED FROM SICILY PORT
TO DURK TO DISCHARGE BALANCE CARGO (?) SECOND (.) WHAT IS
DESTINATION OF 208 RAILWAY WAGONS (?) IF DURK WE PLAN TO LOAD
LIST 7 MT AND OTHER STORES (.) IF SICILY WILL VESSEL ALSO
PROCEED DURK TO DISCHARGE MT AND OTHER STORES (?) SS BRIGHTON
NOW HERE AND: REPLY AT EARLIEST URGENTLY REQUESTED

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INCOMING MESSAGE.

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FROM: AFHQ G-3 SHEED SAC CITE NEGOT
ADDED
TO: XED ALLIED COMMISSION SARDINIA FOR SIMONS
INFO:

EX 83234

PARA ONE (.) ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS WE HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION PERTAINING
TO SHIPMENT OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FROM SARDINIA IN ORDER TO PLAN FOR
SHIPPING (.) NO RESPONSE HAS BEEN FORTHCOMING AND IT APPEARS THAT PAST
INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN IGNORED (.) PARA TWO (.) FOR MMIA (.) A DEFINITE REPLY
TO THE ABOVE IS ESSENTIAL (.) ENSURE SIMONS GIVES IMMEDIATE ANSWER (.)
PARA THREE (.) NEW SUBJECT (.) NO REPLY HAS BEEN FORWARDED REGARDING THE
LOADING OF TWELVE LIGHT ITALIAN TANKS FOR SHIPMENT TO SICILY (.) THIS IS
REQUIRED URGENTLY

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DANIEL NOCE
Major General, GEC

RM
SD 29 1/12 Jan
ref: 28f

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Subject:- Ships position Sardinia

23 527A/208

Date 12/1/45

The following details are passed to you for information:

FROM: ALCOM SARDINIA REGION

TO: ALCOM RPTD AFHQ CITE MEGDM FIG-33

313 JAN 02400A

SECRET

SHIPS POSITION SARDINIA PORTS 2 JANUARY:

A	B	C	D	E	F
SANTA CHIARA	LEVY	1570 TONS SALT	70 TONS	3 JAN WEATHER PERMITTING	
ACIA VARVAROS	LEVY	3800 TONS COAL	500 TONS	3 JAN WEATHER PERMITTING	
SIJIAFFINO	S. ANTIOCO				NO LOADING INSTRUCTION
SAMILEYTE	LEVY				LOADING 12MIA VEHICLES & STORES
WISDA	S. ANTIOCO	400 TONS COAL	150 TONS COAL		IMPOSSIBLE GIVE DATE OF COMPLETION OWING SHORTAGE OF COAL
EMPIRE CONDRAY	LEVY	7789 LONG TONS WHEAT			
SANTANDREA	LEVY	35 TONS CHEESE			
MOUNT EVEREST	LEVY				COMMENCED LOAD 350 HORSES

PORT RICHIELIU SAILED 2 JANUARY.

ALL OTHER COLUMNS RELATIVE

COPIES TO C (2)

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" FLOAT

Capt. RB.
(The Lord Westbury)

Movements Liaison Officer

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MESSAGE FORM

S. J. J.

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FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA signed SIMONS

TO MMIA for KERR

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INFO PENECUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
AFHQ
MOV NAPLES
AAI
DISTHREEforwarded by MMIA.
Ry.

* rpt has been requested

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SECRET (*) Cruiser MONTE CUCCOLI to be loaded with the following
ITALIAN army personnel (ITALIAN VOLUNTEER*) bn 2 offrs and 118 men
cavalry nucleus 71 men medical complement 1 offr 25 men nucleus Royal
Finance Guard 15 men casuale 50 offrs and 210 men automobile
specialists 1 offr 49 men 52 men to rejoin 59th Inf Regt 50 men from
ITALIAN Air Force (*) In addition 50 pigeons for Military pigeon
loft ROME and 4 men escorts (*) Also 5 tons equipment and 6
vehicles (*) ETA DUKO 11 Jan (*) SIMONS on board (*)
Request NAPLES LO be notified by telephone

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LO SARDINIA

SD 2073

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REF Y 20 (.) 12 TANKS WILL BE GIVEN TOP STORAGE FOR FIRST
DISCHARGE (.) LOAD ON SS BRIGHTON (.) VESSEL WILL BE ROUTED
VIA PALERMO FOR DISCHARGING TANKS ONLY AND WILL THEN PROCEED
DUKE TO DISCHARGE BALANCE OF CARGO (.) THESE INSTRUCTIONS
PARAPHRASE AFHQ SIGNALS PX 81335 AND PX 81807

INTERNAL

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RM OPS

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C.P. KERR, Col

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Subject: Light Tanks Cagliari to Palermo.

830/14

10 Jan. 1945

The following details are passed to you for information :-

AFHQ SIGNED SACHED CITY MEXOT

ACTION : ALCOM SARDINIA INFO : MMIA, MMIA TO PBS, ALCOM FOR PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMISSION, MOVHIT, MOV TO SICILY.

SECRET. FX 81807

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REF MMIA SO 2058 OF 7 JANUARY.

1. SITUATION SICILY NOW DEMANDS TANKS MUST ARRIVE PALERMO SOONEST POSSIBLE.
2. ESSENTIAL YOU LOAD THEM BRIGHTON ETA CAGLIARI ¹⁰10TH JANUARY AS CARDTON
NOT ARRIVING ? CAGLIARI BEFORE 14 JANUARY. AGREED PSTO MTD.
3. REPLY REQUESTED AS IN OUR FX 8133 ? OF 7 JANUARY.
4. FOR MMIA, REQUEST YOU ENDEAVOUR TRANSMIT THIS SIGNAL BY W/T

done

Copies to : G (2)
SIRE
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Westbury
Capt. (RE)
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.

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See my signal 10 Jan

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ALCOM STOLLY FOR MMIA LO

SD 2068

SECRET

REF SD 1968 OF 07 (.) UNDERSTAND 12 TMS NOW TO BE TOP
LOADED ON BRIGHTON DUE CAGLIARI 10

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SD 2067

SECRET

WEATHER WAS DELAYED MONTE CUCCOLI AGAIN (*) STA NOW 10 (*)
SEMONS STILL ON BOARD

IMMEDIATE

SD/50 (2)
FILE : SD/14

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From : MILA LO SARDENIA signed SIMONE

09 1140 A

To : MILA FOR KERN

REF : Y 12

SECRET

Ref my Y 16 of 8 Jan (.) Cruiser MONTICUCCOLI again delayed
due to continued unfavourable weather (.) EXTRA DURO 11 Jan (.)
Request NAPLES LO be informed by telephone (.) SIMONE is
still on board

IMMEDIATE

d/c SD/14
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Subject: 12 Light Tanks ex SARDINIA.

830/12

9 Jan. 1945

The following details are passed to you for information :-

FROM : AMHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FREEDOM THEOT

TO : ACTION : ALCOM SARDINIA, INFO: MMIA, MMIA LO PBS, ALCOM P SAFETY SO,
MOVWIT, MOV LO SICILY.

SECRET.

788/335.

6.08.15.45.

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REF MMIA SD 2044 OF 4 JANUARY AND OUR 78887 OF 4 JANUARY.

1. 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS TO BE GIVEN TOP STORAGE FOR FIRST DISCHARGE. INTEND ROUTING VESSEL VIA PALERMO DISCHARGING TANKS ONLY.
2. ADVISE BY SIGNAL AND FAST AIR WHICH VESSEL WILL LOAD THESE TANKS.
3. AGREED.

Original & 2 Copies to : G

Copy to : SIRE
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Capt. RE.
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.

4/c SD/28
SD/50 R/L

2 JAN 1945

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10 Jan

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C O P Y

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED DE STEFARO

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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Y 18

SECRET

Ref my Y 15 dated 7 Jan (.) Cruiser MONTECUCOLI again delayed due to continued unfavourable weather (.) ETA LUKO 10 Jan (.) Request NAPLES LO be notified by telephone (.) SIMONS still on board

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

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*filed Naples
regarding AFHA, Naples.*

SD DIST.

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA
 TO AFHQ (G3 CTS)
 INFO MMIA LO SARDINIA ALCON SICILY FOR MMIA LO MMIA LO NAPLES
 PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COM A.C. MINISTRY OF WAR

SD 2058

SECRET

REF MY SD 2044 OF 04 (.) SHIPMENT OF 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS WILL NOW BE
 AIRLOT FROM SARDINIA TO PALERMO ON CASLETON (.) FOR LONG (.) THESE TANKS
 WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL **PALERMO TO LOCAL CC RR HQ AS PART EQUIPMENT**
 OF THE TWO MOBILE CC RR BNS BEING FORWAD SICILY (.) CONTACT LOCAL REP PUBLIC
 SAFETY S.C. A.C. (.) FOR AFHQ (.) PLEASE NOTIFY ADDRESSES AT CASLETON ETA
 PALERMO (.) FOR SMITH (.) NO ACTION REQUIRED (.)

PRESIDENCE

AUTHENTICATED

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LIRACT FROM SARDINIA TO PALERMO ON CALTON (.) FOR LONG (.) THREE FIVE
 WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL PALERMO TO LOCAL CC ER HQ AS PART EQUIPMENT
 OF THE TWO MOBILE CC ER BVS BEING FORWARDED BICILLY (.) CONTACT LOCAL REP PUBLIC
 SAFETY S.C. A.O. (.) FOR AFHQ (.) PLEASE NOTIFY ADDRESSEES ETA CAGLIARI ETA
 PALERMO (.) FOR SMITH (.) NO ACTION REQUIRED (.)

PRECEDENCE

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XXXX (CINCDOUTH FOR MMIA LO.
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SD 2059

SECRET

DAMAGE BY WEATHER HAS CAUSED FURTHER DELAY CRUISER MONTE GUGOLLI (.)
NOT FOR 7 JAN (.) SINGAPORE IS PROBABLE

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ENCLOSURE

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209 (2)
22/50 (2)

FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONA
TO MMIA FOR KEM

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Y 15

SECRET

REF MY Y 12 OF 6 JAN (.) CRUISER MONTECUCCOLI AGAIN DELAYED
DUE TO FURTHER REPAIR MADE NECESSARY BY WEATHER (?) ETA DIKO
9 JAN (.) REQUEST NAPLES LO BE NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE (.)
SIMMONS ON BOARD

IMMEDIATE

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Smith

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Mr

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Report

Signal to

AF-148

Naples office

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Dona

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C O P Y

FROM: LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA

061015

INFO: Passed to MMIA NAPLES by phone 6/1 (MAXWELL)

Y 12

SECRET

Ref my Y 10 dated 5 Jan (.) Cruiser MONTECUCCOLI
again delayed ETA NAPLES 8 Jan (.) Request NAPLES
LO be notified by telephone (.) SIMMONS on board

PRIORITY IMMEDIATE

WB

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done. R7.
Cpt Maxwell
6.

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Subject:- Traffic ex Sardinia

527A/197

Date 6/1/45

The following details are passed to you for information :

FROM : AFHQ SACRED CITY : FHGIM, FHTEF, FHGEG, FHGDQ

TO : ALCOM HQ, INFO: ALCOM SARDINIA REGION, MEDBO SCHOONER CONTROL NAPLES,
ALCOM CIVITAVECCHIA.

FX 79828
JAN 06/0030A

CONFIDENTIAL.

1. On completion present voyages SARDINIA to CIVITAVECCHIA MOUNT EVEREST and CHATEAU LA TOUR capacity 460 and 165 mules or cattle respectively will return to CAGLIARI to load ALCOM's cattle and horses to capacity for CIVITAVECCHIA.
2. Nomination of sheep carrier follows.
3. Agreed WSA and PSTO.

Copies to G (2)

" SERE

" FLOAT

" ST

Wester 7315
Capt. RE.
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer

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*Shown by name
already in file*

Q 7/1

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Subject: Light tanks ex CAGLIARI.

830/8
4 Jan. 145.

The following details are passed to you for information :-

FX 7887
JAN 04/50

C/6527
JAN 04,2200
OP PRIORITY

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED CITE PIGDM FIRST
TO : (ACTION) : ALCOM SARDINIA:(INFO) TO : PENSOUTH, PENBASE, MOV NAPLES, ALCOM
SECRET.

REQUEST YOU LOAD 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS NOW WAITING SHIPMENT AT CAGLIARI TO FIRST
AVAILABLE LIST 7 VESSEL. AGREED.

Copies to : G (2)
FLOAT FILE (1)
SMRE (1)
ST (1)
AQ (1)

[Signature]
Capt. RE.
(The Lord Westbury)
Movements Liaison Officer.

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6 Jan
REP

6 JAN 1945

*Mr. Lane
signalled
to
Sardinia*

*Sd/Siskin
Sd/14
Sd/50*

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ORDER FORM

FROM LO SANDINOLA

Date/DOC 051110

To action MCA

Y 10 (.) ~~SECRET~~ (.) Cruiser ~~MAJES~~ CUCXOLI scheduled depart CAGLIARI
5 Jan for NAPLES delayed 24 hours (.) request NAPLES to be notified by
telephone (.) ~~ADAMS~~ on board.

DISCUSSION

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Action: Whapp
 Henschel spoke 1400 hrs
 5 Jan 1945
 1530
 161 miles
 161 miles A

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA 04.12.10 A
TO AFHQ (G3 ORG)
REFD MMIA LO GARDINIA, MMIA IO NAPLES, PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COM A.C.
MINISTRY OF WAR

SD 2044

SECRET

SHIPMENT OF 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS REQUIRED GARDINIA TO NAPLES (.)
REQUEST YOU ADVISE SHIPMENT SERIAL 7 (.) ESSENTIAL THESE SHOULD
BE SHIPPED ON RETURN TRIP OF CANTON SAILING FROM NAPLES IN NEXT
FIVE DAYS (.) FOR HIMSELF (.) SELECT 12 BEST RUNNERS TO FILL THIS
REQUIREMENT AND SUPERVISE DEPARTURE TO MAINLAND (.) FOR SMITH (.)
THESE TANKS WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL NAPLES TO LOCAL CC RR HQ
FOR ONWARD MOVEMENT TO SICILY AS PART OF THE EQUIPMENT OF THE TWO
MOBILE CC RR UNITS BEING FORMED IN SICILY

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

W. J. Lawrence / Capt.

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FROM: PRS SOUTHERN DISTRICT MMIA LO

TO : MMIA

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SECRET

FOR HALL FROM SMITH (.) LEFT VEHICLE CRUISER

MONTICUCCOLI DEPARTING NAPLES 26 DECEMBER

PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

WS

DIST.: ST (2)
G (2) (SE/14)
A/Q (SD/50)
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*This report to Hall's personal
vehicle which he wants
transported back to
Washington*

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Y FLS/vjt

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (SMIA)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

13 December 1944

SD
19/12

SUBJECT: Postponement of Departure, Cruiser Montecucoli

TO : Commanding Officer, Italian Naval Headquarters, Cagliari

1. With reference to your communications, subject as above, dated 8 December and 11 December respectively, and confirming verbal agreement, you are advised that it is necessary to delay the departure of the subject vessel for twenty four hours due to difficulty being experienced by Headquarters, Comando Militare della Sardegna in assembling sufficient personnel to complete the passenger list.

2. As to the date of sailing forecast as 27 December, you will be advised within a few days as to what date should be substituted, since the final group of military personnel will not be ready by that time.

F. L. SIMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

Copy:

HC, M.M.I.A.
A.F.H.Q. Movements
A.G.S.
C.M.S.

7310

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Check up on inform
rec'd by 17/12
Comdt
what is in Sardinia
what is being based
when
SD/12

All information for Naples
comes from Naples (18 arrivals) etc air
carrier service is to immediate to be used for
landing figures. Heads as the the wireless Sta is currently here. SD/14
SD 21/12

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SECRET

RAAC MESSAGE FORM

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527A/23
19/27

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CIRCUIT No.
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PRIORITY

TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT

QVR 3

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FREEDOM SIGNED SAC CITE FRGCT/922.1 (SEVEN).

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN

FROM (A)

261700

TO (FOR ACTION)

AC SARDINIA FOR SIMONS

TO (FOR INFORMATION)

MOV NAPLES

MMIA

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS

GR

(REF. No.)

FX58683

(SECURITY
CLASSIFICATION)

SECRET.

NO SHIPPING ADVICE CABLES RECEIVED SINCE LOADING OF
MONTECUCCOLI ETA 15 NOV. REQUEST URGENT NOTIFICATION
OF SHIPMENTS SINCE THAT DATE INCLUDING PERSONNEL AND MT
SHIPS

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SECTION:

A. G. AUTHENTICATION:

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

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TIME CLEARED

FROM AGC SARDINIA (ACSH)

TO AFHQ SACRED ATTENTION COT

INFO COZONE MTOUSA PBS FIFTH ARMY 12 AF 12th AF SCC IN C AFHQ ART MRS.

MMIA, MORBS, MASC IN NAPLES ACC main

SECRET

ESPD; SDACC 22 complete; 38 vehicles for Italian Army, SOENI 4235 complete, ENG 3951 17 Nov loading information for Fort MEDUTIC REOURAD AGSH 273 dated 14 Nov is as follows: 575 tons fireclay and Kaolin for ILVA Bagnoli; 64 tons firebrick for D of ~~XXXX~~ British; 55 tons firebrick and refractory cement for 8 (Final, ENG 4000 complete, ENG 3904 complete, ENG 3754 complete, AAF 13 final, navy 22 final, AAF 167 complete, AAF 134 final; 1324 sheep for RSC; 10 tons forage for sheep; 4 tons clothing for Comisariato Italiano; 1 ton kitchen equipment for Italian Army; 750 tons ABC rations; 30 tons flour sacks for warehouse 676, ACC region 6; 100 tons smoke pots for TAD; DIEO (.) Equipment to be recovered 1200 ~~5/8~~ 5/8 inch cable, 27 turnbuckles, 12 shackles, 44 clamps, 230 life preservers (.) Draft 13 feet inches greatest (.) New subject (.) Sailing from DUKO 16 Nov ZEBULON PIKE lifting 5 vehicles 190 port coy, 116 vehicles 1732 HQ coy, 4 vehicles 226 salvage coy, 29 vehicles on AAF 172 final, 3 tons ENG 3951 partial, 8 tons ~~QM/H~~ 4236 partial, 45 tons ABS 35 final (.) Embarking 27 US officers, 367 US ~~EM~~ 11 Italian officers, 5 Italian EM (.) Lashings to be recovered (.) New subject (.) Departed navy for BALA destination schooner ASUNTA Flifting 12 tons supplies ~~only~~ SOCM 2-4243 (partial) (.) 2 US EM embarked as escort

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FROM CG AAFSC MTO CITE SCOG
TO CO ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
INFO MMIA

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SECRET

Available for movement according to your message AGS
205 10 Nov were 10 offrs and 400 IM Italian Air Force
personnel (.). Please confirm that these troops have
been formed into 2 coys fully equipped and give the
present ETA DUKO

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