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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT

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TO : MMIA

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REF : Y 287

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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TO : MMIA

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 274 DATED 9 APRIL (.)

FROM 080900 TO 090900 APR (.) FIRST (.) RECALLS

1919-24 CLASSES (.) REPORTED ¹⁶ FOR A TOTAL IN

PERIOD FROM 15 MAR OF ¹⁸⁵³ (.) 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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FROM: PENSOUTH MMIA LO LIAISON OFFICER
TO : MMIA
INFO: APHQ FOR G-3 ORG
802 BRD ORVIETO
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FOLLOWING ITALIAN PERSONNEL ARRIVED 9 MAR-CH ON LUCA
ABRUZZI (.) FIRST (.) 868 SARDINIAN GADLUPS 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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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 274

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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 1837
SHIPPED 10441 AND 328 Awaiting SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1919 CLASS REPORTED 297 FOR A TOTAL
IN A/M PERIOD OF 5984 (.) 2298 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3695
AWAITING SHIPMENT

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

5 April 1945

SUBJECT: Personnel Movement from Sardinia.

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

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)

<u>Total Called Up</u>	<u>Physically Disqualified & Sent Home</u>	<u>Shipped to Mainland</u>	<u>Remainder</u>
*12949	*949	10,250	*1750
		<u>Awaiting Shipment</u>	<u>Passes, Leave & Discharge</u>
		*300	*400 *700

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b Phase III (Recruits)

<u>Called Up</u>	<u>Shipped to Mainland</u>	<u>Awaiting Shipment</u>	<u>To Be Called Up</u>
4691	1537	3154	1309

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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 Remainder, Par 1a above is problematical. In this schedule have given priority in accordance with your instructions and availability.

*Approximately.

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M 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 AWOL'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 258 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.

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 2361 dated 3 March and SD 2451 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". ETA will be signalled later.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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

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APPENDIX "A"

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SCHEDULE ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL TO BE MOVED FROM SARDINIA 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 6 April 45.

2.

Personnel to be Shipped	TRIP							Remarks
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	
1. Calabria Div (Excess)						200	200	400
1st Territorial Hq			20 OFF.	13 OFF.		18 OFF.		252 3rd trip 2 1/2 tons equip
			62 OFF.	47 OFF.		90 OFF.		4th trip 8 tons equip
			* 2 CIV.					6th trip 13 tons equip
3. Medical Compl. (Excess)						40	50	90
4. QM Complement (Excess)					31	129	100	250
5. Complement Co (Casuals)						200		200
6. CC.HH.		100						100
7. Phase I (Recall)	140		100			333	650	1223 527 remaining to be shipped when avail-
8. Phase III (Recruits)	838	900	216	940	969			4463 abls
9. Miscellaneous Personnel	22							22
**TOTAL	1000	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 MAAF, MAF Movement CMF dated * Civilians attached to First Territorial Hq.
- ** Escort not included in totals.

19 March will be sandwiched in after 5th trip.

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT 071600 B
TO : MMIA SECRET
REF : Y 270 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 (*) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (*) REPORTED 551 FOR A TOTAL IN
ABOVE PERIOD OF ~~5~~ 5687 ~~2~~ (*) 2298 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2089 AWAITING
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TO : M.M.I.A.
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FURTHER TO OUR Y 252 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 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 5130 (.)

1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3599 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT 051755 B
TO : MMIA SECRET
REF : Y 259 114 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 31231 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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TO : AMHQ FOR G-1 BR G-3 ORG MOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
 CG FIFTH ARMY
 FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INCR
 EIGHTH ARMY
 DISTONE
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 PENSOUTH
 PENSABE
 MOVWET
 MOVETT
 MOVCENT
 MOV REGGIO
 MOV LO 204 SUB AREA

802 ITALIAN RET DEPOT ORVIETO
 803 ITALIAN RET DEPOT ANAGOLA
 804 ITALIAN RET DEPOT TRANI
 FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
 REAR EIGHTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
 FIFTH ARMY BR INCR FOR MMIA LO
 DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
 DISTTUE FOR MMIA LO
 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
 52 AREA FOR MMIA LO
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 MMIA LO SARDINIA

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FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RETS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 16 APR TO 22 APR (.)
 READ IN COLN (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION (.) C WHERE FROM (.)
 D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	300	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	REGGIO	(FRI 323 CREMONA
2 (.)	300	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	AREZZO	(FOLGORE LEGHANO
3 (.)	600	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	NEW LOCATION	MANTOVA
4 (.)	100	SUPPLY RETS	CATANZARO SALA	NAPLES	ITI-TTI
5 (.)	400	SICILIAN CALL-UP REGGIO		TRANI	BR-ITI
6 (.)	9 22	INTERPRETERS/ DRIVERS MT)	ORVIETO	FOSSOMERONE	FK TFI GPS
7 (.)	73	VOLUNTEERS	BARI	ORVIETO	BR-ITI
8 (.)	85	VOLUNTEERS	NAPLES	ORVIETO	BR-ITI
9 (.)	67	VOLUNTEERS	ROME	ORVIETO	BR-ITI
10 (.)	86	VOLUNTEERS	CHIETI	ORVIETO	BR-ITI

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SECOND (.) SARDINIA PROGRAMME (.) FIFTEENTH SHIPMENT IS DUE N A P L E S
 7 APR DESTINATION F R O S I N O N E (.) DESTINATIONS FOR FUTURE SHIPMENTS ARE

SIXTEENTH	ORVIETO
SEVENTEENTH	ORVIETO
EIGHTEENTH	FROSINONE
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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA Signed ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 255

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IMPORTANT

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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TO : M.M.I.A.
Ref : Y 253

041030 B
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REFERENCE MY Y 249 OF 3 APRIL (.)

N O CHANGE IN RECALLS FIGURES AS OF 030900 APRIL

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA

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REF : Y 249

IMPORTANT

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 15⁷⁸ (*) SHIPPED 10231 AND 130 AWAITING SHIPMENT (*)
SECOND (*) RECRUITS 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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TO : M.M.I.A.
REF : Y 246

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 242 OF 31 MARCH (.) FROM
310900 MARCH TO 010900 APRIL (.)
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.)
REPORTED 1 FOR A TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31 MARCH
OF 1576 (.) SHIPPED 10231 AND 101 AWAITING
SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (.)
REPORTED 28 FOR A TOTAL IN ABOVE MENTIONED
PERIOD OF 4133 (.)
1537 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2596 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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TO : MMIA

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REF : Y 242

IMPORTANT

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 1575 (.) 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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TRANSLATION

From: M. of W.
To: HQ Calabria Internal Security Div.
MMIA for info.
Subject: Call up and recall in Sardinia.

Ref: 12017/R
Date: 28.3.45

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GS 111

Re: letter 1207 dated 23.3.45.

We ~~refer~~ refer to the a/m letter and to 12017/R dated 26.2.45, signals 12017/R dated 23 and 24.3.45 and SMRE's letter 13716/MOB dated 13.3.45.

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NT. This is W/H giving SARDINIA the number via 107(1)

- 1.- MMIA requires that the total number of call-ups and recalls in Sardinia should be of 24,000 men thus distributed: 18,000 men of the classes 1916, 1917 & 1918 re-called and 6,000 re-recruits of class 1925 and previous.
- 2.- according to news supplied by you the total yield of the first period (classes 1919/1924) in the Island was of 11,500 men (including 1700 absentees and those recoverable from hospitals).

These figures do not tally with those obtained from the daily telegraphic reports sent in by the Sardinia Mil. Command according to which up to and including the 25th. inst. the total number of men effectively enlisted is 12507 of which 9917 have already left the Island.

- 3.- For the second period of re-call, due to take place during the first fortnight of April, for men of the 1916, 1917 and 1918 classes a sufficient number of men should be enlisted to cover the total of 18,000 asked for by the Allies, i.e. 7300 if in effect the total number of men already sent to the mainland is 10,700 as reported by you.

- 4.- Call-up operations for Sardinian recruits of the classes 1925 and previous are taking place from the 19th. inst. and should **314** last until the 5th. of next month.

Since the number of recruits to be enlisted requested by the Allies should not exceed 6000 units, this Ministry under letter 12017/R dated 26.2.45 gave instructions for a reduction of availability to be carried out authorising the provisional release of men under certain conditions as detailed in paras a) b) c) and d) of said letter.

- 5.- Since according to reports now sent in by you it appears that including the yield for the first period and the estimated yield for the second period (4500) the total figure requested by the Allies of 18000 will not be reached it is stipulated - in confirmation of telephoned instructions - that such deficiencies as may arise will be met with the total availability of recruits without disregarding the exceptional releases for a period to be later determined established in letter 12017/R of Feb. 26th. in para 2, sub-paras b) c) and d).

Even with these measures and with the recovery of absentees and men in hospital, it is considered very difficult to reach the total number of men - 24,000 - asked for by the Allies.

However, in accordance with the above instructions, you will report, by the fastest possible means, on the following:

- a) for the 1st. period of re-call: (1919/1924):
- Number of men actually enlisted divided in classes;
 - Number of men who have left the island;
 - Number of men still in transit awaiting maritime transport;
 - Number of men in hospital, absent, deferred service or on leave of any kind whatsoever whom it can be expected to recover.
- b) for the 2nd. period of re-call: in addition to the estimated yield of 4500 men for the 1916, 1917 and 1918 classes estimated yield separately for each of the classes 1914 and 1915;
- c) Call-up of recruits of the 1925 class and previous at present taking place: The yield to be estimated is that of the whole availability with the exception of the men coming under para 2, sub-para a) of letter 12017/R of Feb. 26th. and of refugees of other districts living in Sardinia for the time being who will continue to be on provisional release.
- 5.- Reporting of recruits at Recruiting Centres must be completed by April 5th. next and reporting of re-calls for the second period must be completed by April 15th. next.

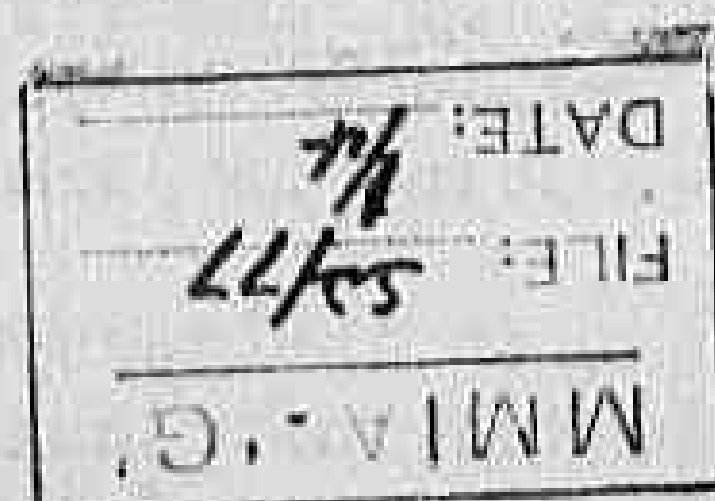
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Your attention is particularly called to the fact that data supplied by you must be exact since MMIA must their sea transport plans on such information and it is necessary to avoid hitches such as that reported by MMIA when ships sent to the island for the transport of recruits could only be partially made use of owing to lack of men ready for shipment. And you will please sent explanations on this point.

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For The Minister
(Sgd) E. Cugusi

FMDeJ.





Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
LEVA SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA

Roma 20 MARZO 1945 A

COMANDO DIVISIONE SICUREZZA
INTERNA CALABRIA

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OGGETTO : Chiamata e richiami in Sardegna.-

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ALL'UFFICIO COORDINAMENTO

ALLO S.M.R.E. - Ufficio C.A.

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Si fa riferimento al foglio sopradistinto e s. 113
al dispaccio n. 12017/R del 26 febr., tele 23 e 24 marzo n. 12017/R e fo-
glie delle S.M.R.E. - Ufficio Ord. e Mob. del 13.3.1945 n. 13716/Mob.

1.- La M.M.I.A. ha chiesto che il numero complessivo dei chiamati e ri-
chiamati della Sardegna sia di 24.000 uomini così ripartiti: 18.000
richiamati delle classi 1916-1917 e 1918 e 6.000 reclute classi 1925
e precedenti.

2.- Secondo le notizie ora comunicate da codesto Comando il gettito com-
plessivo del 1° periodo (classi 1919-1924) svoltesi nell'Isola, sa-
rebbe stato di 11.800 uomini (sono compresi in detta aliquota 1700
militari assenti arbitrari e ricevuti in luoghi di cura da ricupe-

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Si fa riferimento al foglio sopradistinto e segnato al dispaccio n. I2017/R del 26 febr., tele 23 e 24 marzo n. I2017/R e foglio delle S.M.R.E.-Ufficio Ord. e Mob. del 13.3.1945 n. I3716/Mob.

1.- La M.M.I.A. ha chiesto che il numero complessivo dei chiamati e richiamati della Sardegna sia di 24.000 uomini così ripartiti: 18.000 richiamati delle classi 1916-1917 e 1918 e 6.000 reclute classi 1925 e precedenti.

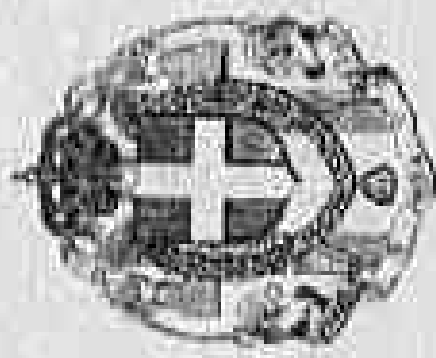
2.- Secondo le notizie ora comunicate da codesto Comando il gettito complessivo del 1° periodo (classi 1919-1924) svoltosi nell'Isola, sarebbe stato di 11.800 uomini (sono compresi in detta aliquota 1700 militari assenti arbitrari e ricoverati in luoghi di cura da ricuperare).

Tale gettito non corrisponde a quello risultante dai dati forniti pure dal Comando Militare della Sardegna a mezzo segnalazioni telegrafiche giornaliere e che a tutte le 25 correnti assommava a 12567 effettivamente incorporati di cui 9917 già fatti defluire dall'Isola. Per il 2° periodo di richiamo, predisposto per la prima quindicina di aprile, dei militari delle classi 1916-1917 e 1918 dovrebbe essere incorporato un numero di uomini sufficiente per raggiungere la quota complessiva di 18.000 richiamati richiesta dagli alleati; e cioè 7300 se effettivamente il numero dei defluiti al continente sia stato effettivamente di 10.700 come segnalato da codesto Comando.

4.- Dal 1° al 5 aprile p.v. sono in corso le operazioni di chiamata delle reclute Sarde della classe 1925 e precedenti.

Poiché il numero di reclute da incorporare richiesto dagli Alleati non avrebbe dovuto superare le 6000 unità, questo Ministero col foglio I2017/R del 26 febr. 1945 impartì opportune disposizioni per l'.

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
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50- riduzione delle disponibilità autorizzando codesto Comando a lasciare nella posizione di congedo illimitato provvisorio quegli elementi che si trovavano in particolari condizioni enumerate nelle lettere a) b) c) e d) n.2 del citato foglio.

Poiché dalle nuove segnalazioni ora pervenute da codesto Comando risulta che con il gettito dei richiami del 1° periodo e con quello prevedibile del 2° periodo (4500) non si raggiungerà la cifra complessiva di 18.000 uomini richiesti dagli Alleati si determina - a conferma di quanto telefonicamente comunicato -, che le eventuali deficienze dovranno essere ripianate con le intere disponibilità di reclute senza tenere più alcun conto degli eccezionali richiami ad epoca da determinarsi prescritti dal citato dispaccio 12019/21 del 26 febbraio scorso nei n.2 lettere b) c) e d).

Anche con tali provvedimenti restrittivi e con il recupero dei richiamati assenti arbitrari e ricoverati in luoghi di cura, si ha ragione di ritenere che la richiesta complessiva di 24.000 uomini fatta dagli Alleati possa essere molto difficilmente raggiunta.

Comunque codesto Comando, in merito a quanto in precedenza disposto riferirà - col mezzo più rapido - precisando:

a) - per il 1° periodo dei richiami: (dal 1919 al 1924)

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5°- Poiché dalle nuove segnalazioni ora pervenute da codesto Comando risulta che con il gettito dei richiami del 1° periodo e con quello prevedibile del 2° periodo (4500) non si raggiungerà la cifra complessiva di 18.000 uomini richiesti dagli Alleati si determina - a conferma di quanto telefonicamente comunicato -, che le eventuali deficienze dovranno essere ripianate con le intere disponibilità di reclute senza tenere più alcun conto degli eccezionali fughi ad epoca da determinarsi prescritti dal citato dispaccio I2017/R del 26 febbraio scorso nel n.2 lettere b) c) e d).-

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Comunque codesto Comando, in merito a quanto in precedenza discusso riferirà - col mezzo più rapido - precisando:

a)- per il 1° periodo del richiamo: (dal 1919 al 1924):

- = numero dei militari effettivamente incorporati distinti per classi di appartenenza;
- = numero dei militari definiti dall'Isola;
- = numero dei militari tuttora in sosta in attesa dei trasporti marittimi;
- = numero dei militari ricoverati in luoghi di cura, assenti arbitrari, d-ispensati o in licenza di qualsiasi specie che si preveda di poter recuperare;

b)- per il 2° periodo di richiamo - in aggiunta ai previsti 4500 uomini corrispondenti al gettito delle classi 1916, 1917 e 1918; il prevedibile gettito distinto per ciascuna delle classi 1914 e 1915;

c)- andamento chiamata reclute classe 1922 e precedenti in atto, e prevedibile gettito dell'intero contingente disponibile con la sola eccezione prevista dalla lettera a) del n.2 della più volte citata circolare I2017/R in data 26 febbraio scorso e per i profughi di altri distretti temporaneamente residenti in Sardegna, i quali dovranno continuare a rimanere nella posizione di congedo illimitato provvisorio.

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DIREZIONE GENERALE
LEVA, SOTTUFFICIALI E TRUPPA

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5.- La presentazione delle reclute ai Centri di Reclutamento dovrà essere irrevocabilmente ultimata entro il 5 aprile p.v. mentre quella dei richiamati (2° periodo) delle classi 1916-1917 e 1918 entro il 15 aprile p.v.

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Si richiama la particolare attenzione di codesto Comando sulla esattezza delle notizie richieste dovendo servire di base alla M.M.I.A. per redigere il piano dei trasporti marittimi per il deflusso dei militari dall'Isola al continente ad ev-
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p. IL MINISTRO
E. Cugusi

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P. IL MINISTRO

B. Cugusi

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SGD ALBERT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 233

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IMPORTANT

FURTHER TO OUR Y 229 OF 29 MARCH (*) FROM 290900 TO 300900 MARCH (*)
1 (*) RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (*) REPORTED 28 FOR TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31
MARCH of 1574 (*) SHIPPED 10130 AND 435 AWAITING SHIPMENT (*)
2 (*) RECRUITS 1925 CLASS (*) REPORTED 360 FOR TOTAL IN ABOVE MENTIONED
PERIOD OF 4029 (*) 836 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 3193 AWAITING SHIPMENT

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TO : MMIA FOR K E R R
REF : Y 229

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IMPORTANT

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FURTHER TO OUR Y227 OF 23 MAR (.)
FROM 280900 TO 290400 MAR (.)
FIRST (.)
RECALLS 1919-24 CLASSES (.)
REPORTED 37 FOR TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31 MARCH OF 1546 (.)
SHIPPED 10130 AND 364 AWAITING SHIPMENT (.)
SECOND (.) RECRUITS 1925 CLASSES (.)
REPORTED 387 FOR TOTAL IN e/m PERIOD 3669 (.)
836 SHIPPED TO DATE AND 2833 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 Call-Ups and
 9 Offrs and following Re-Calls :

A nucleus of Cagliari Inf.	79 ORs
" " Monserreto Arty Gp.	41 "
" " 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

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

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

26 March 1945

SUBJECT: Recalled Men.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA), Rome.

1. We are forwarding, translated copy of letter from local Italian Army Headquarters to Ministry of War on above subject for your information.

1 Inclosure
Ltr Calabria Div, 1207, 23 Mar 45

George L. Fossett
GEORGE L. FOSSETT
Major, C.E.

cc. B/F Warthin?
reply to Sardinia

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G.I. This means . .

Phase I 10.000 (1919-24)
Phase II 6.000 (young soldiers) 31/3.
Phase III 7.000 (1916-18) incl 1700 AWOL men.
23.000.

which is satisfactory

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TRANSLATION GC/xre 25 MAR 45

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HQ CALABRIA I.S. DIVISION
Staff - Operations and Services Office

No. 1207

APD 75, 23 March 1945

SUBJECT: Re-call to Service of All Servicemen Belonging to Classes
from 1914 to 1924 Living in Sardinia.

TO : Ministry of War - Cabinet - APO 3800
S.M.R.E. - Organization and Mobilization Office APO 3800

INFO TO: Military Territorial Hq Rome
Sardinia Territorial Office - CAGLIARI
MMIA - Sardinia Office - CAGLIARI

The M.M.I.A. Liaison Office in Sardinia informed us that 1914
and 1915 Classes will not be recalled and that, consequently, the
number of recalls to be shipped to the mainland is modified as follows:

- Phase I - 1919-24 classes	12,000 men
- Phase III - 1916-18 classes	6,000 men

No change in the 6,000 recruits of 1925 class concerning the
II Phase.

On the basis of data experienced and supplied by Phase I which
about over, I deem it opportune to bring to your attention that it will
not be possible to have 18,000 men to ship to the mainland out of re-
called classes (1916-1924).

In fact:

In Phase I (1919-1924) the personnel to be recalled as per
district and depot information were 15,000 men (round figure) from which
there are 2,600 men for various exemptions and 600 men physically un-
qualified, equal to 22 per cent to be subtracted; 11,800 men remain.

In addition, considering the A.W.O.L.s and those hospitalized after
the enrollment, equal to 10 percent and from which we cannot anticipate
how many will be suitable for service (it will take a long time, of course),
the personnel to be shipped to the mainland remain 10,700 men, 10,000 of
which have already been shipped to the mainland as of 22 March.

Using the same percentage as a basis of anticipation in regard to
the Phase III recalls (1916-1918), on the basis of information supplies
by depots and districts, the number 6,300 men, the personnel to be shipped
to the mainland is 4,500 men.

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It results, therefore, that, between the I Phase and Phase III, recalls who can be sent to the mainland number 15,200 men (10,700 Phase I - 4,500 Phase III) plus those recoverable from those A.W.O.I. and from those hospitalized (1,700 men) for whom no antification can be made.

The above for your information.

THE COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE DIVISION
Alessandro Maccario

A True Copy
for THE CHIEF OF STAFF
Maj Renato Ghetti
/s/ Maj Ghetti

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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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19 (.)	516	REPATRIATES EX BALKANS	TARANTO	ROME	LEAVE PERSONNEL (.)

SECOND (.) SARDINIA PROGRAMME (.) THIRTEENTH SHIPMENT ARRIVED NAPLES 28 MAR
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SHIPMENTS ARE DUE EVERY FOURTH DAY AND CONSIST OF APPROXIMATELY 1000 PERSONNEL

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

SECRET

REF YOUR Y 221 DATED 27 (*) OUR SIGNAL SD 2531 DATED 28 IS CONFIRMED (*)
ONE CRUISER ONLY WILL CONTINUE APPROX FOUR DAY TURN ROUND (*) ARRANGE
PERSONNEL TO BE AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT ACCORDINGLY

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REF : SD 2538

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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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FROM : MMIA LG SARDINIA SGD FOSSETT
TO : MMIA FOR KERR
REF : Y 221

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SECRET

IMPORTANT

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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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT
TO : MMIA
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CONFIDENTIAL
IMPORTANT

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

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TO : MMIA
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FOR KERR

FURTHER TO OUR Y213 OF 26 MARCH FROM 250900 TO 260900 MARCH
FIRST (.) RECALLS 1919 - 24 CLASSES (.) REPORTED 12 FOR A
TOTAL IN PERIOD 15-31 MARCH OF 1479 (.)
SHIPPED 9917 AND 425 ARE AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) SECOND (.)
RECRUITS 1925 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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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 RECALLS
SECOND (.) FROM 190900 TO 250900 MAR 1891 RECRUITS 1925
CLASS ENROLLED (.)
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 1498 (.)
SHIPPED TO DATE NIL

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REF : Y 208

IMPORTANT

FOR KERR (.) 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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FROM : DIA
TO : DIA LO SARDINIA
REF NO : SD 2523

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SAY HOW MANY RECALL AND CALLUP PERSONNEL REMAIN TO BE SHIPPED (*)
GIVE PROGRAMME RE (a) MEMBERS (b) DATES AVAILABLE AND (c) TYPE
OF INTAKE FROM NOW TILL END APR (*) NEW SUBJECT (*) 8623 HAVE BEEN
SHIPPED AGAINST 10000 REQUIRED PHASE I (*) WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO REMAINDER

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By Authority of

DATE 22 March 1945

AG 370.092/071 GCT-O

SUBJECT: Italians - Sardinia to Italy

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

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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:

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Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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IMPORTANT

FURTHER TO OUR Y 199 DATED 23RD MARCH (.) FROM 220900 TO

230900 MARCH 134 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)

TOTAL 1449 REPORTED FOR PERIOD CALL UP 15TH TO 31ST MARCH (.)

ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASSES 1919-1924 (.)

TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 187 (.) SHIPPED TO DATE

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 189 DATED 20 MARCH (.) FROM 210900 TO 220900
MARCH 356 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.) TOTAL 1315 REPORTED FOR
PERIOD CALL UP 15 TO 31 MARCH (.) ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASS
1919-1924 (.) TOTAL AVAILAEBLE FOR SHIPMENT 623 (.) SHIPPED TO
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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS 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 DUKO 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
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FROM : MMIA

TO : AFHQ FOR C-1 BR C-3 ORG MOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
CG FIFTH ARMY
FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INCR
EIGHTH ARMY
RAACMOV LO 204 SUB AREA
802 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT ORVIETO
803 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT AFRAGOLA
804 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT TRANI
FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
FIFTH ARMY BR INCR FOR MMIA LO
REAR EIGHTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
DISTIRGE FOR MMIA LO
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
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54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
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MMIA LO SARDINIASD 2507SECRET

FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RPTS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 2 APR TO 8 APR (.)

READ IN COLNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION (.) C WHERE FROM (.)

D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO	CRENIA
2 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AIEZZO	FOLGORE
3 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	ERNEVENTO	MANOVA
4 (.)	28	SPECIALISTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA	1004 GEN TPT COY
5 (.)	12	SPECIALISTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA	252 PX TPT GP

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FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RETS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 2 APR TO 8 APR (.)

	A	B	C
	NUMBERS (.)	DESCRIPTION (.)	WHERE FROM (.)
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WHERE TO (.) E FOR FROM (.)

A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO
2 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AREZZO
3 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	BIENVENUTO
4 (.)	28	SPECIALISTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA
5 (.)	12	SPECIALISTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA
6 (.)	10	RPTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA
7 (.)	25	LABOUR	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA
8 (.)	33	SPECIALISTS	AFRAGOLA	AREZZO
9 (.)	29	G D MEN	AFRAGOLA	AREZZO
10 (.)	500	GARIBALDI PERSONNEL	TARANTO	VILLERO (VIA ROME ELEC RLY)
11 (.)	230	DEMobilisation REPLACEMENTS	AFRAGOLA	ANCONA
12 (.)	750	CALL-UP PERSONNEL	AFRAGOLA	AFRAGOLA
13 (.)	250	CALL-UP PERSONNEL	REGGIO	TRANI
14 (.)	172	MID-EAST MILITARYS	TRANI	AREZZO
15 (.)	500	DEMobilisation REPLACEMENTS	ONVIETO	PESARO

THESE EX PW HAVE HOMES IN N I T A L Y AND CAN N O T GO ON LEAVE YET (.)

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SECOND (.)	SARDINIA PROGRAMME (.)
ELEVENTH	1000 ARRIVED AFRAGOLA 21 MAR (.)
TWELFTH	1000 TO TRANI (.)
THIRTEENTH	1000 TO ORVIETO (.)
FOURTEENTH	1000 TO ORVIETO (.)
FIFTEENTH	1000 TO FROSINONE (.)
SIXTEENTH	1000 TO ORVIETO (.)
SEVENTEENTH	1000 TO ORVIETO (.)
EIGHTEENTH	1000 TO NEOSINCE (.)

RECALL OF NINETEENTH TO TWENTY FOURTH THOUSANDS PHASE II OTHER CLASSES IS DUE

TO BE COMPLETED BY 15 APR AT RECRUITING CENTRES IN SARDINIA

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INFO: PENSOUTH
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
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REF : Y 196

CRUISER ABRUZZI TO BE LOADED THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN
PERSONNEL 434 PHASE 1 REGALLS WITH 6 OFFICERS AND 10 GC RN ESCORT
111 CALABRIA DIV OVERSTRENGTH OFFICERS AND ORS 189
CASUAL OFFICERS AND ORS 200 ITALIAN NAVAL PERSONNEL AND
60 ROYAL ITALIAN AIR FORCE PERSONNEL (.) ETA DUKO
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TO : MMIA

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FOR KERR (.) FURTHER TO OUR Y 183 DATED 20 MAR (.) FROM
200900 TO 210900 MAR 20 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)
TOTAL OF 959 REPORTED FOR PERIOD CALL UP 15 TO 31 MAR (.)
ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASSES 1919-1924 (.) NONE CLASS
1924-1925 (.)
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT 342 (.) SHIPPED TO DATE 9405
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CRUISER MONTECUCOLI TO BE LOADED 1000 OFFRS AND ORs
INCLUDING 563 PHASE I RECALLS AND 186 OFFRS AND ORs OVER STRENGTH
CALABRIA DIV REFERENCE MMIA SD 2380 AND SD 2451 (*) ETA
DUKO 21st March

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SHORTLY
ONE (*) MAR MIN AMI/ BEING INFORMED NOT TO REDUCE 1914 - 15 CLASSES
IN FUTURE (*) TWO (*) RECAPITULATION SARINIA REGALL AND CALL UP
REQUIREMENTS FOLLOWS (*) PHASE ONE WAS 10000 PLUS 5000 (*) THEN
PHASE THREE YOUNG SOLDIERS 4000 IN MAR PLUS 2000 IN APR (*) PHASE
TWO REQUIREMENT BY 15 APR NOW REDUCED TO 6000 (*) TOTAL IS 24000 (*)
PLEASE ADVANCE AND CONFIRM TO US (*) THREE (*) WHEN SIGNALLING
SHIP LOADS STATE YOUR BREAKDOWN SO THAT PERSONNEL MAY BE PROPERLY
ON BOARD HERE (*) FOUR (*) GIVE WHAT WAS LOADED ON ARRIVAL FOR
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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

201030A

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

Y 183

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FURTHER TO OUR Y 176 DATED 17 MARCH FROM 170900 TO 200900 MARCH
497 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.) TOTAL 939 REPORTED FOR PERIOD
OF CALL UP 15 TO 31 MARCH (.) ALL OF THESE MEN ARE OF CLASS 1919 -
1924 (.) NONE OF CLASS 1924-25 (.) TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT
500 (.) SHIPPED TO DATE 8842 RECALLS

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Appears that Simmons has miscalculated

Has he?

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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REF PARA 4 MMIA LETTER SD/53/1 DATED 18 JAN (.)

AS OF 160900 hrs MARCH 40 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)

FROM 160900 TO 170900 hrs MARCH 402 MEN REPORTED FOR TOTAL 442

MEN FOR PERIOD CALL UP 15 to 31 MARCH (.)

DUE TO MEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED READY IN PHASE 1 NOT BEING AVAILABLE
FOR SHIPMENT FOR VARIOUS REASONS WE ARE CONSIDERING THESE MEN AS PART
PHASE 1 (.) TOTAL READY FOR SHIPMENT 942

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1. ^{nv.} Safe & L SIMMONS. 442 men are part of 2000 Phase 1 being brought in as from 14 MAR.
2. 500 call up men left 18 MAR on ABRUZZI amongst others.
3. 750 men surplus in Calabria Div are being sent as soon as ready, with a special signal to us. 170 leave tomorrow (presumably on MONTE CUCCO LI)

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FROM : MMIA

TO : AFHQ FOR C-1 BR C-3 ORG MOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GP
CG FIFTH ARMY
FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INOR
EIGHTH ARMY

ITALY

1 ARG

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MOV LO 2C4 SUB AREA
ITALIAN RPT DEPOT ORVIENTO
ITALIAN RPT DEPOT AFRAGOLA
SIGNALS BARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL
FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
FIFTH ARMY BR INOR FOR MMIA LO
PEAR EIGHTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
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54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
100TH SICILY FOR MMIA LO
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MMIA LO SARDINIA

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FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RPTS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 26 MAR - 1 APR (.)
READING COLUMNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION (.) C WHERE FROM (.)

D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	PESARO	FRIULI
2 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	PERARO	CREMONA
3 (.)	50	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	II(US) CORES LICHIANO KH	
4 (.)	50	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	AREZZO	POLIGORE
5 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	REMOVENTO	IDENTOVA
6 (.)	100	NON-SPECIALIST RPTS ORVIENTO	AREZZO		FIFTH ARMY BR INOR

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FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RETS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 26 MAR - 1 APR (.)

READING COLUMNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION (.) C WHERE FROM (.)

D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	100	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	PESARO	FRIULI
2 (.)	100	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	PESARO	CREMONA
3 (.)	50	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	II(US) CORPS LECIANO PH	266
4 (.)	50	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	AREZZO	DOLGORE
5 (.)	200	COMBAT RETS	CESANO	REMOVENTO	MANTOVA
6 (.)	873	NON-SPECIALIST RETS ORVIETO		AREZZO	FIFTH ARMY BR INCR
7 (.)	570	SPECIALIST RETS ORVIETO		AREZZO	FIFTH ARMY BR INCR
REQUEST SERIAL 6 MOVE 26 MAR AND SERIAL 7 MOVE 27 MAR TO ALLOW FOR INKING OF					
SARDINIANS EMPLOYED TO ARRIVE SAME WEEK (.)					
8 (.)	350	SICILIAN CALL-UP	REGGIO	ASTRONI	PES GO INS
9 (.)	150	SICILIAN CALL-UP	REGGIO	TRANI	BR-KAT
10 (.)	55 132 2 110 TONS STORES	OFFICERS OBS HORSES }	CAMPANARO SULA	SANTA SEVERA (CIVITAVECCHIA)	2 TULLIO
11 (.)	51	G D RETS	TRANI	PESARO	1051 TK RM 1 ARG
12 (.)	200	LABOUR	ATERACOLA	PESARO	EIGHTH ARMY
13 (.)	82	ENGERS	ATERACOLA	S MARIL. CAPUA VITERBE	10 WEST CENIO
14 (.)	612	MULTITUDS EX MID-INST	TRANI	FOSSOMBRONE	TRAINING CENTRE

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15 (.)	50 100	SOTTUFIOLALI } GRADUATI }	TRANI	PROSINONE	523, 524, 525 GD EWS
16 (.)	64 140	SOTTUFIOLALI } GRADUATI }	AIRAGOLA	PROSINONE	523, 524, 525 GD EWS
17 (.)	200	GD EWS	TRANI	PESARO	EIGHTH ARMY

SECOND (.) SARDINIA PROGRAMME (.)

FIFTH 1000 ARRIVED NAPLES 12 MAR (.) DISPOSED TO ROME,

FLORENCE, PROSINONE, ALL FOR ITI-ITI (.)

SIXTH 1000 TO ASTRONI (.) NOTE 460 ARRIVED SALTETTE 13 MAR (.)

SEVENTH 1000 TO ASTRONI (.)

EIGHTH 1000 TO ASTRONI (.)

NINTH 1000 TO AIRAGOLA (.)

TENTH 1000 TO TRANI (.)

ELEVENTH 1000 TO AIRAGOLA (.)

TWELFTH 1000 TO TRANI (.)

747 SURPLUS PERSONNEL } TO PROSINONE FOR 523, 524, 525 GD EWS NOW FORMING (.)
 IN GALLERIA DIV }

NOTE FOR AFHQ AND SERMONS (.) THESE REQUIRED LAST WEEK IN MAR (.)

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THIRTEENTH 1000 TO ORVIETO (.)

FOURTEENTH 1000 TO ORVIETO (.)

FIFTEENTH 1000 TO PROSINONE (.)

SIXTEENTH 1000 TO ORVIETO (.)

ON 11-12 OF SEVENTEENTH AND EIGHTEENTH THOUSANDS YOUNG SOLDIERS STARTED
 MOVING (.)

NINTH 1000 TO ABRACOLA (.)

TENTH 1000 TO TRANI (.)

ELEVENTH 1000 TO ABRACOLA (.)

TWELFTH 1000 TO TRANI (.)

747 SURPLUS PERSONNEL } TO REGIMENTS FOR 523, 524, 525 GD THIS NOW FORMING (.)
IN GALLERIA DIV }

NOTE FOR ATRAQ AND SIMERS (.) THESE REQUIRED LAST WEEK IN MAR (.)

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THIRTEENTH 1000 TO ORVETO (.)

FOURTEENTH 1000 TO ORVETO (.)

FIFTEENTH 1000 TO REGIMENTS (.)

SIXTEENTH 1000 TO ORVETO (.)

CALL-UP OF SEVENTEENTH AND EIGHTEENTH REGIMENTS THIRTY-THREE YOUNG SOLDIERS BARRIS

1 APR (.) DESTINATIONS ORVETO AND REGIMENTS RESPECTIVELY (.)

18).) 600 RATS AS DEMANDED

ORVETO PESARO EIGHTH ARM

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA

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S E C R E T

REF MMIA SD E326 DATED 21 FEB SD E363 DATED 28 FEB AND AFHQ FX 36248 DATED 2 MAR (.)
C M S REPORT 380 MEDICAL REINFORCEMENTS AND 340 SUSSISTENZA REINFORCEMENTS (.)
TOTAL 720 WILL LEAVE ON MONTECUCCOLI AS PART OF 5TH SHIPMENT (.) ETA DURO 13TH MAR (.)
REQUEST MMIA RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO AFHQ

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MESSAGE FORM

From - 56 ELU MIA IO for MANTOVA Combat Group
To - MIA

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Following specialists were available end of February for first phase call up

SARDINIA (.) Drivers 269 motor mechanics 4 fitters 7 electricians 4
blacksmiths 12 varnishers 8 welders 9 carpenters 37 masons 35 cooks 16
cobblers 27 armourers 2 W/T operators 8 radio technicians 1 (.) Some
of these specialists will already have been shipped mainland but suggest balance
available be immediately assigned MANTOVA and despatched mainland soonest (.)
Total so assigned could be deducted quota (?) second phase call up SARDINIA
allotted to Combat Groups (.) Immediate action in this matter would be
great assistance in reducing for each specialist deficient MANTOVA Combat Group
(.) 56 ELU and MANTOVA in complete agreement

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Total so assigned could be deducted quota (?) second phase call up SARDINIA allotted to Combat Groups (.) Immediate action in this matter would be great assistance in reducing for each specialist deficient MANTOVA Combat Group

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FROM : MMIA

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TO : AFHQ FOR G-1 BR G-3 ORG MOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
 CG FIFTH ARMY
 FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INCR
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 REAR EIGHTH ARMY for -
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 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT AFRAGOLA
 SIGNALS BARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL
 FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
 FIFTH ARMY BR INCR FOR MMIA LO
 DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
 DISTHREE FOR MMIA LO
 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
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 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
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 MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2419.

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FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN RPT AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 19 MAR

TO 25 MAR (.) READING COLUMNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION

(.) C WHERE FROM (.) D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

A	B	C	D	E	262
1 (.)	50	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	PESARO	TRIOLI
2 (.)	50	COMBAT RPTS	CESSANO	PESARO	CREMONA

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MOV TOWNSABOVE SUCCEED FOR MMIA LO
ELU ICP RTC CESANO FOR MMIA LO
MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO 25 MAR (.) READING COLUMNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION

(.) C WHERE FROM (.) D WHERE TO (.) E FOR WHOM (.)

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A B C D E

1 (.) 50 COMBAT RTTS CESANO PESARO TRIULI

2 (.) 50 COMBAT RTTS CESANO PESARO CREMONA

3 (.) 50 COMBAT RTTS CESANO AREZZO LEGNANO

4 (.) 50 COMBAT RTTS CESANO AREZZO FOLGORE

5 (.) 50 COMBAT RTTS CESANO BENEVENTO MANTOVA

6 (.) 42 MED RTTS 104 SEZ SANITA FLORENCE 7 COY SANITA
BENEVENTO (AREZZO &
ROAD LIFT)7 (.) 81 RLY ENGR RTTS CIVITANOVA 7 RLY ENGR COY
ORTONA &
ROAD LIFT) 1 DIST

THIS IS REBEL OF SD 4370 OF 1 SERIAL 42

8 (.) 80 VOLUNTEERS COSENZA ORVIETO BRITI DEPOT

9 (.) 29 BAKERS AFRAGOLA ANCONA 231 INCR
14 PD BAKERY 1 DIST

10 (.) 50 CARABINIERI CATANZARO NAPLES HQ CORR NAPLES

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11(.) 500 SICILY RECALL REGGIO ABRAGOLA BR-ITI DEPOT
 12(.) 30 RNTS TREBISACOT CAPUA 10 REGT GENIO
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13(.) PROGRAMME FOR SARDINIAN RECALL PHASE 1 BEING PLANNED FOR

AS FOLLOWS

14(.) FOURTH 1000 TO ASTRONT DUE NAPLES 7 MAR

15(.) FIFTH 1000 TO ROIE & DUE NAPLES 14 MAR
 FLORENCE

VIDE SD 2370 OF 1 MAR SERIAL 20

16(.) SIXTH 1000 TO ASTRONT DUE NAPLES 13 MAR

17(.) SEVENTH 1000 TO ASTRONT 500 DUE NAPLES 13 MAR
 500 DUE NAPLES 17 MAR

18(.) EIGHTH 1000 TO ASTRONT DUE NAPLES 17 MAR

19(.) SERIALS ~~16~~ 16 17 ¹⁸ TO BE SHIPPED ON I N D R A P O E R A

VIDE YOUR EX 18182 OF 5 MAR

20(.) NINTH 1000 TO ABRAGOLA DUE NAPLES 15 MAR

21(.) TENTH 1000 TO TRANI DUE NAPLES 19 MAR

22(.) SARDINIA RECALL CONTINUES WITH FURTHER TWO THOUSAND CLASS

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23(.) ELEVENTH 1000 TO ABRAGOLA DUE NAPLES 23 MAR

24(.) TWELFTH 1000 TO TRANI DUE NAPLES 27 MAR

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18(.) 1000 19(.) 1000 20(.) 1000 21(.) 1000 22(.) 1000 23(.) 1000 24(.) 1000 25(.) 1000 26(.) 1000 27(.) 1000 28(.) 1000 29(.) 1000

19(.) SERIALS

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SHIPPED ON IN DR A P O E R A

VIDE YOUR EX 38102 ON 5 MAR

20(.) NINTH 1000 TO ANFACOLA DUE NAPLES 15 MAR

21(.) TENTH 1000 TO TRAINI DUE NAPLES 19 MAR

22(.) SARDINIA RECALL CONTINUES WITH FURNISH TWO THOUSAND CLASS

1949 - 24 AS FOLLOWS

23(.) ELEVENTH 1000 TO ANFACOLA DUE NAPLES 23 MAR

24(.) TWELFTH 1000 TO TRAINI DUE NAPLES 27 MAR

25(.) SARDINIA CALL UP OF FOUR THOUSAND YOUNG SOLDIERS BY 31 MAR

THEN FOLLOWS

26(.) THIRTEENTH 1000 (YS) TO ORVIELO DUE NAPLES 31 MAR

27(.) FOURTEENTH 1000 (YS) TO ORVIELO DUE NAPLES 4 APR

28(.) FIFTEENTH 1000 (YS) TO PROSIMONE DUE NAPLES 6 APR

29(.) SIXTEENTH 1000 (YS) TO ORVIELO DUE NAPLES 12 APR

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Subject: Call Up SARDINIA

Liaison Officer

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.

(MMIA)

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4 Mar 45

To: Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(MMIA)Info: Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(MMIA) Sardinia

1. Herewith my report on the first phase of the call up SARDINIA.
2. System of Operating Call Up

This differed very considerably from the system adopted in SICILY, the main points of difference being as follows:-

(a) There was no census. Owing to all Sardinians under arms in SARDINIA having been demobilised on renewable leave (Licenza rinnovabile) or discharge (congedo) in November 43 and April 44 reasonably accurate military records of the manpower available in the Island were at hand. Furthermore the old Italian recruiting and demobilising machinery as operated by the Districts and Regimental Depots was not destroyed, as was the case in SICILY, by invasion. There are very few "dispersi" (reported missing) in SARDINIA as the majority of Sards under arms were serving with regiments stationed in the Island.

(b) The call up was not operated by individual call up notices (cartoline di precetto) but by public posters (manifesti) setting out the terms under which men were liable to recall and the action required of them. All men had to report and those declared medically unfit or exempt under Italian regulations were detained in hospital or sent home.

(c) The men were passed from the collecting points (centri di raccolta) to mobilization centres (centri di mobilitazione) if on renewable leave or to District HQ's (Distretti) if actually discharged. At these centres they were (as stated in para b) vetted for suitability and sent on to special battalions (battaglioni di marcia) composed entirely of recalled men properly organised and officered. On arrival at the special battalions men were clothed in accordance with MMIA letter SD/77 of 7 Feb 45.

(d) A special branch of the Military HQ SARDINIA was formed, headed by General SCALABRINO, to deal specifically with the call up.

(e) 500 officers were called up from SARDINIA.

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3. Results of Phase I

Phase I call up SARDINIA concerned the classes 1919 to 1924, was scheduled to run from 1 Feb to 15 Feb and was expected to bring in 10,000 men.

Appendix A sets out the results obtained between 5 Feb and 2 Mar. It will be noted that of the 13,659 officers and men who reported 1216 were exempted under Italian regulations (8.8%) and 146 sent to hospital (1%). The number of men exempted under these headings is in strong contrast to the results obtained in SICILY. No men were exempted on Allied request.

No one working in coal-mines?

4. Comments on Results Phase I

I will check with General

I believe that the results obtained in the call up phase I SARDINIA have not as yet been rivalled anywhere else in liberated Italy.

In my opinion the reasons for these results are as follows:-

(a) The Sard peasantry which provides the bulk of the men recalled to arms is by nature law-abiding and produces good and obedient soldiers. The brigandage and consequent unrest which exists in certain Sardinian districts has no political background. There is no separatism or Mafia in SARDINIA and consequently little anti-government feeling.

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(b) Such anti-call/feeling as did exist in the Island was firmly handled initially and anti-call up demonstrations were both few in number and ineffective. Men reporting for the call up were not interfered with and were in no fear of personal violence.

(c) Propaganda by the civil and military authorities in SARDINIA was begun in good time and fell upon fruitful ground.

(d) Reasonably accurate records of the numbers of men liable for the call up were available to the military authorities as a result of the mass demobilisation of Sards in Nov 43 and Apr 44 under almost peace time conditions. General SCALABRINO stated that the reason that more men responded than were actually budgeted for was that some of the regimental records of the men demobilised in Nov 43 and Apr 44 were lost.

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(e) The road and rail network laid on to bring the men in to the mobilization centres was efficiently run and the latter were all adequately staffed, where necessary, by effective Italian Army personnel.

(f) The clothing of the man on arrival at a special battalion and his incorporation in a more or less disciplined unit all served to raise morale and encourage men to report.

5. General Comments

Three factors are likely to retard the response made to the call up by the classes 1914 - 1918. They are:-

(i) A greater number of the men will be married and will therefore be more reluctant to leave home.

(ii) The over-long inactivity in SARDINIA of the men called up under phase I will have a demoralising effect on those liable under phase II and III.

(iii) The fact that in phase I it was the late arrivals - over the 10,000 mark - who got sent home will be noted and although these will be recalled under phase II it will be considered that reporting late is an advantage.

6. Conclusions

The call up results achieved so far in SARDINIA are due, I believe to the law-abiding nature of the Sard, the better morale that exists, generally speaking, on the Island than elsewhere in liberated Italy, the completeness of the military records and the sound planning and organisation carried out prior to and during the call up.

The most unfortunate delay that there has been in shipping the first 10,000 men over to the mainland is already starting to have a demoralising effect.

Men are beginning to go absent in appreciable numbers in order to see their families, and a natural Italian tendency to sell clothing, until recently at a minimum, is now growing daily, and is in my opinion attributable directly to the length of time that the men recalled have been allowed to remain in the Island waiting shipment.

Those recalled men talked to showed a marked impatience for the day of departure and could not understand why, if they had to wait, they could not do so at home where they could be of use working on the land.

7. Recommendations

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(a) All the men called up under phase I should be shipped to the mainland with a minimum delay and before the start of phase II.

(b) It is likely that SARDINIA would be able to produce more than the 26,000 men planned.

I understand that all other call up's to date have failed to produce the total expected and I suggest that MMIA should consider increasing the quota for SARDINIA.

The men, if available, would constitute better army material than those from other parts of liberated Italy who have so far refused to report for service with the colours and who can only be made available now with great difficulty and as a result of penal process.

H.A.C. Howard

Lt Col G S
MMIA Liaison Officer

Annex A

CALL UP SARONIA - PHASE I5 Feb to 2 Mar 45

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>ORs</u>	<u>Total</u>
Exempted	63	845	908 ✓
Unsuitable	18	292	310 ✓
Hospitalised	4	142	146 ✓
Men with homes in liberated Italy	-	292	292 ✓
Called to the colours	448	11,241	11,689 ✓
Transferred to CC.BR.	-	314	314
Total reported	533	13,126	13,659

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA
TO : LO SARDINIA
SD-2404

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REFERENCE YOUR Y-151 (.) NOT RPT NOT AGREED TO POSTPONE CALL-
UP (.) CALL-UPS WILL PROCEED AS ORDERED SO THAT MEN WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR SHIPMENT AS THE SHIPS ARRIVE (.) SINCERELY
REGRET THAT WAR CONDITIONS PREVENT TRANSPORTATION ON TWENTIETH
CENTURY LIMITED SCHEDULE BUT THE ITALIANS MUST UNDERSTAND THAT
THEY WILL BE SLIGHTLY INCONVENIENCED

PRECEDENCE

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA 800 SIMMONS
TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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SECRET

WITH ADDITIONAL CRUISER DUE 13th MARCH LIFT 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 OCL 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
WHOLE SOME (*) RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE APPROVAL UNLESS OTHER VESSELS
BECOME AVAILABLE TO LIFT ADDITIONAL 4000 PRIOR TO 1 APRIL

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA SGB SIMMONS
TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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SECRET

REF ABHQ CABLE FX 37097 DATED 3 MARCH (*) SECOND SUBJECT (*)
RATE OF MOVEMENT IN CAGLIARI SUFFICIENT TO KEEP 2 CRUISERS
FILLED CONFIRMED (*) THIRD SUBJECT (*) 500 RECALLS CAN BE
SHIPPED ON EACH LIBERTY BY CARGO BY NOT 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 SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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REF MY Y 97 DATED 14 FEB AND MMIA SD 2293 DATED 15 FEB (.) CC RR COMMANDER
HERE HAS INSTRUCTIONS FROM GEN. OKLANDO DIRECTING THAT NO MORE RECALLS BE
HELD FOR CC RR BUT THAT 363 MEN ALREADY ENROLLED BE RETAINED (.) UNLESS
OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY YOU AT EARLIEST WILL DIRECT THAT THESE MEN BE RETURNED
TO C.M.S. FOR ASSIGNMENT TO RECALL GP FOR SHIPMENT

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM NMIA
TO NMIA LO JARDINTA
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IN REPLY YOUR Y 146 OF 05 MAR (*) AGREE YOUR ACTION (*)
CONFIRMED ALL SC CALLED CORR SHOULD BE SHIPPED OVER

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FROM : MMIA

TO : AFHQ FOR G-1 BR G-3 ORG MOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
 CG FIFTH ARMY
 FIFTH ARMY FOR BR INCR
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 REAR EIGHTH ARMY
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 MOVEIT
 MOVCENT
 MOV ROBE

DELEGAZIONE TRASPORTI 615 REGGIO
 FN INCR CMF
 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT ORVIETO
 ITALIAN RPT DEPOT ATRACOLA
 SIGNALS EARLETTA FOR O'DONNELL
 FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
 FIFTH ARMY BR INCR FOR MMIA LO
 DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
 DISTTHREE FOR MMIA LO
 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
 52 AREA FOR MMIA LO
 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
 ALCON SICILY FOR MMIA LO
 BLU ICF RTC CESANO FOR MMIA LO
 MMIA LO SARDINIA

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MMIA SD 2370 OF 01 SERIAL 19 (.) AMEND DESTINATION TO

A S T R O N I FOR US-ITI (.) MMIA GD 2369 OF 01 NOT TO

ALL ALSO REFERS (.) ALL INFORMED

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FROM : AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FBCT FBHM 031927A
TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA - Sent by MMIA W/T.
INFO : MMIA

FK 37097

SECRET

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
FK 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 AROUND REQUIRE RECALLS TO
ARRIVE CAGLIARI RATE OF 600 PER DAY (*) WE REQUESTED CONFIRMATION THIS
RATE MOVEMENT INTO CAGLIARI COULD BE MAINTAINED (*)
3 (*) NEW SUBJECT (*) SAMPERRIN AND SAMLEYTE WHEN LOADED CAN EMBARK
RECALLS NUMBER TO BE AGREED BY PSTO AND MASTERS (*) MMIA LO TO ARRANGE
RATIONS (*) AGREED PSTO MED

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MMIA SD/2363 OF 28 FEB REFERS (.) ITI-ITI REINFORCEMENTS FOR

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ROPR 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 LIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA

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INFO REQUESTED IN YOUR SD 2371 DATED 1ST MARCH CONTAINED IN OUR Y 139 SAME DATE (.)
NEW SUBJECT (.) ITALIAN NAVY OFFICIALS STATE CRUISER ABRUZZI DUE
CAGLIARI 12TH MARCH INSTEAD OF 2ND MARCH (.) URGENTLY REQUEST ADDITIONAL
INFO IF AVAILABLE

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FROM: MMIA IO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KERR
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PENSOUTH MMIA IO
MOV NAPLES
DISTREE
AFHQ

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CRUISER MONTECUCCOLI TO BE LOADED 990 RECALLED OFFICERS AND MEN
PHASE 1 ACCOMPANIED BY 10 CARABINIERI ROSE AND LEFFINGWELL ON
BOARD (.) REQUEST NAPLES IO BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE (.) ETA 3 MARCH

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA
AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGCT FHRNB

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SECRET

REF AFHQ FX 35295

SIGNED SACRED SUBJECT

ADDITIONAL CRUISER FOR LEVY TO DUKE 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 : MMIA
 TO : AMHQ FOR 3-1 BR G-3 ORG NOV

INFO : HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
 OG FIFTH ARMY
 FIFTH ARMY FOR HR INCR
 EIGHTH ARMY
 REAR EIGHTH ARMY
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 IN INCR CMT
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 ITALIAN RET DEPOT AFRAGOLA
 SIGNALS BARLITTA FOR O'DONNELL
 FIFTH ARMY FOR MMIA LO
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 DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
 DISTTHREE FOR MMIA LO
 PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO
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 54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
 ALCOM SICILY FOR MMIA LO
 BLU ICF RTG CESANO FOR MMIA LO
 MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2370

SECRET

FIRST (.) PLEASE MOVE ITALIAN TROOPS AS FOLLOWS IN WEEK 12 MAR TO 18 MAR (.)

REF: IN COLUMNS (.) A NUMBERS (.) B DESCRIPTION (.) C WHERE FROM (.)

D WHERE TO (.) E WHO FOR (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO	TRIULI
2 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO	CREMONA
3 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AREZZO	LEGNANO
4 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AREZZO	FOLGORE
5 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PEREVENIO	MANTOVA
6 (.)	200	SICILY RECALL	REGGIO	AFRAGOLA	ER-LTY DETOT

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D WHERE TO (.) E WHO FOR (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO	TRIULI
2 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	PESARO	CERIGNA
3 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AREZZO	LECNAVO
4 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	AREZZO	FOLGORE
5 (.)	100	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO	BENEVENTO	MANTOVA
6 (.)	300	SIGINTY RECALL	REGGIO	AFRAGOLA	ER-ITI DEPOT
7 (.)	200	SIGINTY RECALL	REGGIO	ASTORI	US-ITI DEPOT
8 (.)	250	APULIAN Y S	LECCE	ORVIEITO	ER-ITI DEPOT
9 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	LECCE	TRANI	ER-ITI DEPOT
10 (.)	250	APULIAN Y S	TARANTO	ORVIEITO	ER-ITI DEPOT
11 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	TARANTO	TRANI	ER-ITI DEPOT
12 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	BARI	TRANI	ER-ITI DEPOT
13 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	BARI	FROSINONE	ITI-ITI DEPOT
14 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	FOGGIA	FROSINONE	ITI-ITI DEPOT
15 (.)	500	APULIAN Y S	TRANI	ORVIEITO	ER-ITI DEPOT

NOTE COORDINATION OF OPERATIONS - IS WILL BE DONE BY UNITA IO 54 AREA WITH LOCAL

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16(.) 600 APULIAN Y S CAMPORUSSO ASTRONI US-ITI DETCT
ROAD LIFE

17(.) 600 APULIAN Y S ACENZA ASTRONI US-ITI DETCT

18(.) RECAPITULATION PRIORITIES WITH AMENDMENTS FOLLOWS FOR
SARDINIA 1927 - 24 CLASSES VIDE MAIL SD 2295 OF 15 FEB SER 53

FIRST AND SECOND THOUSANDS HAVE ARRIVED AT
DESTINATIONS ASTRONI ATRAGOLA THIRD THOUSAND DUE IN
MARCH 5 - 11 MAR DESTINATION REMAINS UNCHANGED ASTRONI (.)

FOURTH THOUSAND NAILES TO ATRAGOLA FOR ER-ITI NOT
TRANSIT NOW ACCOMMODATING APULIAN Y S IN ACCORDANCE YOUR
EX 28432 OF 16 FEB PARA. 8 (.)

SARDINIA NAILES ROME INT-ITI
SUGGESTING RETS

SARDINIA NAILES FLORENCE INT-ITI
AND RETS

PLEASE ALSO ARRANGE NECESSARY ROAD LIFT AREZZO FLORENCE (.)

THIS IS FIFTH THOUSAND VIDE MAIL SD 2363 DATED 23 FEB (.)

21(.) 1000 SIXTH THOUSAND NAILES ASTRONI US-ITI

22(.) 1000 SEVENTH THOUSAND NAILES ASTRONI US-ITI

23(.) 1000 EIGHTH THOUSAND NAILES ASTRONI US-ITI

24(.) 1000 NINTH THOUSAND NAILES ATRAGOLA ER-ITI

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TENTH THOUSAND - DISCONTINUED

EZ 26432 OF 15 FEB Para 6 (.)

20(.)	456	SARDINIA SUBSISTENCE RPTS	NAPLES	ROME	INT-ITI
21(.)	1000	SARDINIA AND RPTS	NAPLES	FLORENCE	INT-ITI
PLEASE ALSO ARRANGE NECESSARY ROAD DIST AREZZO FLORENCE (.)					
THIS IS FIFTH THOUSAND VIDE MAILA SD 2563 DATED 23 FEB (.)					
22(.)	1000	SIXTH THOUSAND	NAPLES	ASTRONI	US-ITI
23(.)	1000	SEVENTH THOUSAND	NAPLES	ASTRONI	US-ITI
24(.)	1000	EIGHTH THOUSAND	NAPLES	ASTRONI	US-ITI
25(.)	1000	NINTH THOUSAND	NAPLES	ASTRONI	US-ITI
26(.)	1000	TENTH THOUSAND	NAPLES	ASTRONI	US-ITI
PLEASE ARRANGE IN ACCORDANCE YOUR SHELTING PROGRAMME AND					
SAY WHAT SERIAL YOU EXPECT TO HAVE REACHED BY 13 MAR (.)					

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25(.)	500	LABOUR	CASORIA	AREZZO	BR INCR 5 ARMY
27(.)	50	ARTIZIA WKS RPTS	CASORIA	AREZZO	BR INCR 5 ARMY
28(.)	50	FOURTH RPTS	CASORIA	AREZZO	BR INCR 5 ARMY
29(.)	100	LACK TET RPTS	CASORIA	AREZZO	BR INCR 5 ARMY
30(.)	300	GD IN RPTS	CASORIA	ANCONA	1 DIST INT-ITI
31(.)	407	ELY ENGR RPTS	CASORIA	ROME	3 RLY ENGR COY RAC
32(.)	89	RLY ENGR RPTS	CASORIA	PANO	2 RLY ENGR COY 1 DIST
33(.)	61	RLY ENGR RPTS	CASORIA	FOGLI	51 RLY ENGR COY 8 ARMY

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DATE	NO	CD IN RPTS PART ROAD LIFT	LOCATION	STATION	5 ARMY ER INDR (59 AREA) FOR 192 503 515 CD INDR ITI-ITI
35(.)	200	LABOUR	ORVETIC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
36(.)	50	FORESTRY RPTS	ORVETIC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
37(.)	100	MILITARY	ORVETIC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
38(.)	100	FLY INDR RPTS	ORVETIC	LECHORN	5 ARMY ER INDR 15 FLY INDR COY
39(.)	100	FLY INDR RPTS	ORVETIC	POINTEDELA	5 ARMY ER INDR 2 FLY INDR COY
40(.)	20	FLY INDR RPTS	ORVETIC	FLORINDE	5 ARMY ER INDR 15 FLY INDR COY
41(.)	20	FLY INDR RPTS	ORVETIC	LECHORN	5 ARMY ER INDR 5 FLY INDR COY
42(.)	60	FLY INDR COY	ORVETIC	PRATO	5 ARMY ER INDR 7 FLY INDR COY
43(.)	70	FLY INDR RPTS	ORVETIC	CHITMAN	5 ARMY ER INDR 15 FLY INDR COY
44(.)	100	VARIOUS	ORVETIC	ANCONA	1 DEST
45(.)	40	LABOUR	TRAC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
46(.)	50	FORESTRY RPTS	TRAC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
47(.)	100	FORESTRY RPTS	TRAC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
48(.)	100	MILITARY	TRAC	AREZZO	5 ARMY ER INDR
49(.)	500	CD IN RPTS PART ROAD LIFT	TRAC	STENA	5 ARMY ER INDR (59 AREA) 500 507 515 CD INDR ITI-ITI

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FROM : NMIA

TO : LO SARGENTIA

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REQUEST YOU ANSWER TO NMIA PARA 2 OF AFHQ SIGNAL PX 35293 OF 20 FEB

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To : MMIA MMIA LO SARDINIA
Info : MMIA LO PENSOUTH. UFFICIO TRASPORTI SMRE.
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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 (Orig) - Mov
MINISTRY OF WAR
PENSCOTH FOR MMIA IO

Date 28 1900 Time 14

SD 2363

CONFIDENTIAL

ONE (.) FURTHER M M I A SD 2326 DATED 21 WAR MINISTIA NOW REQUEST
FOLLOWING ITI-ITI CALL-UP PERSONNEL BE MOVED TO MAINLAND (.)
486 SUSSISTENZA 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 C S I N C N E NOW FULL OF CALL UP PERSONNEL
SWITCHED FROM C E S A N C IN ACCORDANCE YOUR F X 28432
OF 16 FEB PARA 3

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MESSAGE FOR

28 1230 A

FROM NMIA

TO AFHQ

INFO MIA LO SARDINIA
PENSOUTH FOR MIA 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 AROUND SARDINIA PHASE I WILL NOT BE CLEARED UNTIL APR (*)

SECOND (*) THIS MEANS

(A) PROPORTION OF PERSONNEL WOULD 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 FLATTED LIBERTY SHIP CAPACITY 2000 OR EQUIVALENT

FOR ONE OR TWO TRIPS

OR

(B) YOU PERMIT MIA TO ADJUST PHASE II AND III CALL-UPS TO COINCIDE

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SECOND (*) THIS MEANS

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

AND

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OR

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

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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA
To : MMIA for KERR
Ref : Y 131

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SECRET

At present rate transportation for first phase recalled personnel will be completed by 7th April (.) AFHQ agreement with INGLEDEW to transport 6000 in Feb with equivalent lift later would have been adequate (.) If another warship in not to be added to lift immediately recommend further readjustment half bn. inf. plan phase II and III (.) Desertion here with accompanying losses of clothing are inevitable but could not have foreseen 3rd Feb when prompt shipment had been promised (.) If ABRUZZI cannot be returned can I rpt I flattened liberty be diverted temporarily to relieve present undesirable situation (.) Request any information as to change or increase in lift as it becomes available

Jw

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Now will try to
arrange for one
liberty ship - 2000
first week 234
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2000
2 trips
first week
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second week

I will speak
Brig Anderson
tonight.

27 Feb

Y FLS/vjt

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

SD/77

23 February 1945

SUBJECT: Change in Date of Recall - Callup

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Confirming conversation with your Chief of Staff in which change in provisions of our letter of 20 February 1945 was agreed, you are advised that further Callup of personnel will occur as follows:

- | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---|---|
| a | 15 March to
31 March | } | Those Recalls who were returned to their homes on 18 February as being in excess of First Phase 10,000 with sufficient from classes of 1924-1925 (Recruits) to form a total of 6,000 for this period. |
| b | 1 April to
15 April | } | Remainder of 6,000 Recruits from 1924-1925 classes and remainder of 10,000 Second Phase Recalls to form a total of 10,000 for this period. |

2. It is requested that all concerned be advised of this change and that copies of implementing directives be submitted to this office.

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F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

Copy to:
MMIA for Colonel Kerr

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[Signature]
26 Feb

Registered and
B/F to G-11 (SD)

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FROM: MALIA

TO : AFHQ FOR G-1 ER G-3 ORG MOV

INFO: HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
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 FIFTH ARMY ER INCR FOR MALIA LO
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 54 AREA FOR MALIA LO
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 SIGS OFFICE BAPLETTA FOR O'DONNELL
 ITALIAN RFT DEP ORVIETO
 ALCON SICILY FOR MALIA LO

SD 2331S E C R E T

P I R S T (.) REQUEST YOU ARRANGE FOLLOWING MOVES IN WEEK 5 M A R TO 11

M A R (.) READ IN COLUMNS A NUMBERS E DESCRIPTION C PLACE FROM

D DESTINATION E RECEIVING RUN (.)

	A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	200	COMBAT RFTS	CESANO	TC	PERARCO FOR TRIULI
2 (.)	200	COMBAT RFTS	CESANO	TC	PERARCO FOR CREMONA
3 (.)	200	COMBAT RFTS	CESANO	TO	AREZZO FOR LEGNANO
4 (.)	200	COMBAT RFTS	CESANO	TO	FENEVENTO FOR MANTOVA
5 (.)	250	SICILY RECALL	REGGIO	TO	TRANT FOR BR-IT
6 (.)	1000	LABOUR	CASORIA	TO	AREZZO FOR ER INCR 5 ARMY
7 (.)	500	SCHEMERS	CASORIA	TO	AREZZO FOR ER INCR 5 ARMY

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M A R (.) READ IN COLUMNS A NUMBERS B DESCRIPTION C PLACE FROM

D DESTINATION E RECEIVING PLAN (.)

A	B	C	D	E
1 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO TO PESARO	FOR FRIULI
2 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO TO PESARO	FOR CREMONA
3 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO TO AREZZO	FOR LEGNANO
4 (.)	200	COMBAT RPTS	CESANO TO BENEVENTO	FOR MANTOVA
5 (.)	250	SICILY REGALL	REGGIO TO TRANI	FOR BR-ITI
6 (.)	1000	LABOUR	CASORIA TO AREZZO	FOR BR INCR 5 ARMY
7 (.)	500	SORRENTO	CASORIA TO AREZZO	FOR BR INCR 5 ARMY

REQUEST SERIAL 6 MOVE EARLY IN WEEK AND SERIAL 7 LATE SO THAT R E Z Z O
CAN ACCOMMODATE (.)

8 (.)	200	LABOUR	CASORIA TO ANCONA	FOR 1 DIST
9 (.)	110	LABOUR	CASORIA TO ROME	FOR 503 SMOKE COY
10 (.)	100	LABOUR	CASORIA TO CANCELLIC	FOR 506 SMOKE COY
11 (.)	50	LABOUR	CASORIA TO SAN ANTONIO	FOR 152 COY 404 PNR REGT
12 (.)	70	LABOUR	CASORIA TO LA PICCICOLA	FOR 2 BN 407 PNR REGT
13 (.)	20	LABOUR	CASORIA TO LA PICCICOLA	FOR 144 COY 404 PNR REGT
14 (.)	300	LABOUR	TRANI TO PESARO	FOR 8 ARMY

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15 (.) 160	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	TARANTO	FOR	1 BN 406 PNR REGT
16 (.) 300	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	BARI	FOR	2 BN 406 PNR REGT
17 (.) 140	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	BARI	FOR	2 BN 403 PNR REGT
18 (.) 60	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	PORTOCANNONE	FOR	142 CCY 404 PNR REG
19 (.) 150	RLY ENGRS	TRANI	TO	ROME	FOR	6 RLY BN
20 (.) 150	ENGINEERS	TRANI	TO	ANCONA	FOR	1 DIST
21 (.) 100	ENGINEERS	TRANI	TO	AREZZO	FOR	1 DIST
22 (.) 50	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	CERTULLA	FOR	141 CCY 404 PNR REGT
23 (.) 500	APULIAN YS	TRANI	TO	ORVIETO	FOR	ER-ITI
24 (.) 200	APULIAN YS	CAMPORASSO	TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI
25 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	POTENZA	TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI
26 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	LECCE	TO	ORVIETO	FOR	ER-ITI
27 (.) 100	APULIAN YS	FOGGIA	TO	ORVIETO	FOR	ER-ITI
28 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	BARI	TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI
29 (.) 150	APULIAN YS	BARIETTA	TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI
30 (.) 200	APULIAN YS	TARANTO	TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI

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(.) S E C O N D (.) FOLLOWING BIDS HAVE ALL BEEN ACCEPTED PREVIOUSLY AND
 ARE ALL AWAITING MOV ON FERRY (.) OWING TO LARGE INFLUX INTO CAMPS REQUEST
 THAT THESE MOVES ARE NOT FURTHER DELAYED (.)

31 (.) 300	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	PESARO	FOR	8 ARMY
32 (.) 400	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	PESARO	FOR	8 ARMY

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ARE ALL AWAITING MOV ON FERRY (.) OWING TO LARGE INFLUX INTO CAMPS REQUEST
THAT THESE MOVES ARE N O T FURTHER DELAYED (.)

24 (.) 200	APULIAN YS	CAMPORASSO TO	ASTRONI	FOR	US-ITI
25 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	FORENZA	TO	ASTRONI	FOR
26 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	LECCE	TO	ORVIETO	FOR
27 (.) 100	APULIAN YS	FOGGIA	TO	ORVIETO	FOR
28 (.) 300	APULIAN YS	BARI	TO	ASTRONI	FOR
29 (.) 150	APULIAN YS	BARILETTA	TO	ASTRONI	FOR
30 (.) 200	APULIAN YS	TARANTO	TO	ASTRONI	FOR
31 (.) 300	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	PESCARO	FOR
32 (.) 400	LABOUR	TRANI	TO	PESCARO	FOR
33 (.) 50	SCREENERS	TRANI	TO	PESCARO	FOR
34 (.) 107	ENGES	TRANI	TO	PESCARO	FOR
35 (.) 100	ENGES	TRANI	TO	ANCONA	FOR
36 (.) 500	CAMPAINIANS	AFRAGOLA	TO	ANCONA	FOR
37 (.) 100	SCREENERS	AFRAGOLA	TO	PESCARO	FOR
38 (.) 100	LABOUR	AFRAGOLA	TO	ANCONA	FOR

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MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2326

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FOR SIMONS (.) UNDERSTAND FOLLOWING CALL UP PERSONNEL CONCENTRATED
AT CAGLIARI (.) 370 MED (SANITA) (.) 404 SUPPLY (SUSISTENZA (.)
INCLUDE THESE IN FIFTH RPT FIFTH SHIPMENT (.)

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CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY P.	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS QVR 1
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 221730
FROM (A) MMIA LO NAPLES			
TO (FOR ACTION) MMIA			
TO (FOR INFORMATION) AFHQ FOR G3 ORG			MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR
(REF. No.)	9057	(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION)	SECRET

REF YOUR SD/2328 OF 21. FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ARRIVED 22 FEB
ON MONTECUCCOLI. FIRST. SARDINIA CALL UP 969 MEN SENT TO
ASTRONI. SECOND. ESCORT 9 OFFICERS AND 10 CARABINIERI.
THIRD. CASUALS 4 OFFRS AND 3 ORS.

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SECRET

CRUISER MONTECUCOLI LOADED 990 REGALIED OFFICERS AND MEN PHASE ONE AND
10 CARABINIERESSTA DURO 22 FEBRUARY FROM SARDINIA (.) ACK

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admiral G/H Lt. Col.

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M.M.I.A.	
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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

TO : MMIA FOR KERR

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SECRET

CRUISER MONTECUCCOLI NOW BEING

LOADED WITH 990 RECALLED OFFICERS AND MEN

PHASE 1 ACCOMPANIED BY 10 CARABINIERI (.)

REQUEST NAPLES LO BE NOTIFIED

BY TELEPHONE (.) ETA DUKO 22

FEBRUARY

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MMIA LO S/IA Sgd SIMMONS

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Message Instructions - GR

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SECRET

Commissa MONTECUCCOLI now being loaded with 990
 recalled officers and men phase one accompanied by 10
 Carabinieri @ Request NAPLES to be notified by telephone @
 ETA DUKA 22 February

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN
BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT

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IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS. THIS MES-
SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHERORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
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MEMO: LG SARDINIA

SD 2314

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FOR S I M O N S (.) HAVE FURTHER STUDIED YOUR Y 106 OF 19 FEB. (.)
WHAT IS POSTPONED FROM FIRST HALF OF MAR TO FIRST HALF OF APR IS
S A R D I N I A PHASE II 1914-24 RECALL 10000 NOT RPT NOT
6000 RECRUITS OF 1924-25 CLASS AS STATED BY YOU (.) TOTAL CALL UP
NOW PLANNED AS FOLLOWS (.)
FIRST (.) S A R D I N I A PHASE III 1924/25 CLASS 6000 FROM 15 MAR
TO 31 MAR (.)
SECOND (.) S A R D I N I A PHASE II 1914/24 RECALL 10000 FROM
1 APR TO 15 APR

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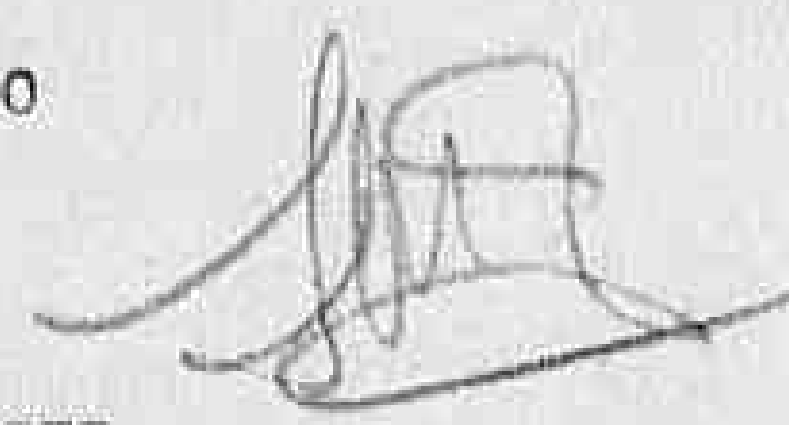
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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR



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SECRET

FROM 180900 TO 190900 FEBRUARY 30 OFFICERS 10 NCOs AND 641 ORs
REPORTED FOR CALL UP (*) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 385 OFFICERS
128 NCOs AND 11497 ORs (*) 242 OFFICERS 90 NCOs 10418 ORs
AWAITING SHIPMENT (*) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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To : MMIA for KERR

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S E C R E T

From 170900 to 180900 February 30 Officers 11 NCO's and
739 OR's reported for call up (.) Cumulative total to date
355 Officers 118 NCO's 10856 OR's (.) 242 Officers 83 NCO's
9815 OR's awaiting shipment (.) None shipped to date

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From : NMIA LOSARDINIA

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To : NMIA for KERR

Ref : Y 107

SECRET

From 160900 to 170900 February 63 Officers 40 NCO's and 997
OR's reported for call up (.) Cumulative total to date 325
Officers 107 NCO's and 10117 OR's (.) 242 Officers 70 NCO's
and 9197 OR's awaiting shipment (.) None shipped to date

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FROM: M M I A 19 A
TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA
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REF LAST SENTENCE MY SD 2311 OF 19 FEB (.) AMHQ AGREES TO
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AUTHENTICATED: M. G. (L. S. J.)
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FROM : AFHQ
TO : MMIA

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SECRET

DATED ONE SIX FEBRUARY YOUR SD 2300 (*) PARA ONE (*) POSTPONEMENT OF
SARDINIA Re-CALL PHASE II PAREN 1914 to 24 CLASS PAREN FOR ONE MONTH TO
APRIL 1 IS AGREED (*) PARA TWO (*) REQUEST ALL POSSIBLE STEPS TAKEN
TO IMPROVE ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES IN ORDER THAT NO FUTURE CALL-UP NEED
BE POSTPONED INCLUDING CALABRIA CALL UP 24/25 CLASS (*) PARA THREE (*)
POSTPONEMENT OF RE-CALL PROPOSED IN YOUR SD/2302 OF ONE SIX FEB IS ALSO
AGREED

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FROM: M M I A

19 1300 A

TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA

REF : SD 2311

SECRET

(51)

IN REPLY TO YOUR Y 106 OF TODAY (.) ACCEPT ONLY 10,000 FROM PHASE
I (.) SURPLUS TO RETURN HOME TEMP BUT MAY BE CALLED UPON AT PHASE
II (.) IN REPLY TO YOUR NEW SUBJECT (.) HAVE ASKED AMHQ TO
AGREE TO POSTPONEMENT AS YOU SUGGEST AND I THINK THEY WILL CONCUR

PRIORITY:

EMERGENCY OPS (hand not)

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L.M. L. (hand)
H.C.

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Ref last sentence my SD 2311 of 19 Feb @ AFHQ
agrees to postponement.

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From : MMIA LC SARDINIA

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To : MMIA for KERR

Ref : Y 106

SECRET

At close of 14th day first phase recall total 385 Officers 128
NGO's and 11497 OR's (*) Italian HQ request permission hold all
over 10,000 for credit to second phase (*) Approval recommended
if possible to adjust programme in this respect (*)

*Disagree
not sig/20/12*
New Subject (*) In view of much delayed cruiser transport Italian
HQ request postponement of call up of 6,000 recruits from first half
of March to first half of April (*) Strongly recommend concurrence
in this request in view of overlapping of personnel (*) It is doubtful
if transport first phase recalls will be completed prior to reporting
of second phase on 15th March (*)

New Subject (*) Request reply by telephone if possible (*) Otherwise
at earliest (*) Signed SIMMONS

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Answered

@ 20/12

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S I G N A L

FROM: MMIA

Date 16 1745 Time

TO : AFHQ

SD 2300SECURITY CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL

CALL UPS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED BASED ON FACT THAT ONLY
50% OF ITALIAN ESTIMATE EVER ARRIVED (.) OWING TO
STEPS TAKEN TO IMPROVE MATTERS MORE LIKE 85% TO 90%
ARE NOW ARRIVING VIDE APULIA AND SARDINIA
CALL UPS (.) MOV AND ACCOMMODATION CAN NOT COMPLETE
WITH DOUBLE CALL-UPS ON ABOVE BASIS WHICH MEANS PERSONNEL
WILL BE INEFFECTIVE UNTIL AIM MACHINERY CAN REPEAT CAN
COMPLETE (.) THEREFORE AS REQUIRED TOTALS ARE BEING
REACHED RECOMMEND POSTONEMENT OF SARDINIA
RE-CALL PHASE II (1914 TO 24 CLASS) FOR ONE MONTH TO
APR 1 (.) IF HIGH FIGURES CONTINUE MAY HAVE TO RECOMMEND
POSTONEMENT OF CALABRIA CALL-UP 24/26 CLASS TO
APRIL ALSO

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Important.

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S.M. J. Gledew.

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDINIA

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TO : MMIA FOR KERR.

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SECRET

FROM 15 0900 TO 160900 FEB (*) 7 OFFICERS 15 NCOs AND 1144 ORs REPORTED FOR
CALL UP (*) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 262 OFFICERS 67 NCOs AND 9120 ORs (*)
247 OFFICERS 47 NCOs AND 7974 ORs AWAIT SHIPMENT (*) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE (*)
STILL WAITING FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CRUISER SCHEDULE OUR Y 92 DATED 13 FEB
REFERS

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SIGNED SIMMONS.

Precedence - IMPORTANT.

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1 Copy for Col. KERR.
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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA Signed SIMONS

150915

TO : MMIA for KERR

REF : Y87

SECRET

OS SARDINIA LEGION CARABINIERI HAS INSTRUCTIONS FROM WAR MINISTRY TO HOLD
4 % FIRST PHASE REGALLS FOR HIS ORGANISATION IN SARDINIA (.) REQUEST
CONFIRMATION IF THIS HAS MMIA APPROVAL (.) IF APPROVED REQUEST
INSTRUCTION FOR (?) PROVISION OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT FOR CARABINIERI
RECRUITS IN ADDITION TO LIST AUTHORISED IN PARA 3 MMIA LETTER SD/77

DATED 7 FEB 45

IMPORTANT

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Col KERR

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA Signed SIMMONS

150915

TO : MMIA for KERR

REF : Y97

SECRET

CC SARDINIA LEGION CARABINIERI HAS INSTRUCTIONS FROM WAR MINISTRY TO HOLD
4 % FIRST PHASE RECALLS FOR HIS ORGANISATION IN SARDINIA (.) REQUEST
CONFIRMATION IF THIS HAS MMIA APPROVAL (.) IF APPROVED REQUEST
INSTRUCTION FOR (?) PROVISION OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT FOR CARABINIERI
RECRUITS IN ADDITION TO LIST AUTHORISED IN PARA 3 MMIA LETTER SD/77

DATED 7 FEB 45

IMPORTANT

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FROM NMIA
TO AFHQ FOR G-3 CNO
INFO NMIA LO SARDINIA

15 1930 A

SD 2296

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED

FURTHER BY SD 2285 OF 13 FEB (.) CALL-UP IS EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS (.)
FIGURE IS NOW 8000 AWAITING SHIPMENT

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

[Signature]
for Lt-Col S.M. INGLEDEN

ok

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G.S.D.I.

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Ref your SD/77 of 4 Feb on Phase II of
Sardinian Call up — 3,000 for Combat.

- ①. If Feb intakes come up to expectation
this 3,000 is all we can take in March
- ②. Personal clothing & equipment. I think
we should send a small staff from
Cesano to a temporary depot in Sardinia
with equipment to fit out, take over
a escort drafts to Cesano as they
become available in suitable batches.

WP

6 Feb 5 Feb

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14 Feb

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C O P Y

FROM MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS 151530

TO MMIA FOR KERR

Y 98

S E C R E T

FROM 140900 TO 150900 FEBRUARY 8 OFFICERS 16 NCO'S AND
1178 ORS REPORTED FOR CALL-UP (.)

CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 255 OFFICERS 52 NCO'S 7976 ORS (.)

241 OFFICERS 34 NCO'S AND 6916 OR'S AWAIT SHIPMENT (.)

NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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*no heavy
increased*

*clothes etc
awaiting shipment*

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

142355A

FX 27105

SECRET

MMIA 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 MMIA

RJ LUCAS
Sjt

Precedence OP-PRIORITY

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FROM : MMIA LO SARDI NIA SIGNED SIMMONS

141400

TO : MMIA FOR KERR.

Y 95

SECRET

FROM 130900 TO 140900 FEBRUARY 32 OFFICERS 20 NCOs AND 1866 ORs REPORTED
FOR CALL UP (*) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 247 OFFICERS 36 NCOs AND
6798 ORs ALL AWAITING SHIPMENT (*) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

Precedence IMPORTANT.

SD DIST:

SD/77
Col KERR.

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@ 16/2

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AFHQ FOR G3(Crg)

MMIA IO PENSOUTH.

SD 2284

SECRET

REF FX 25140 OF II (*) CUMULATIVE TOTAL SARDINIA CALL UP TO 120900
AWAITING SHIPMENT IS 4396 (*) MOVEMENTS EX MAPLES ON ARRIVAL SHOULD
BE AS IN MMIA SD 2248 OF 5 FEB

SD/77 R.Y.

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AFHQ for G-3 CRO
MMIA LO SARDINIA
PENNSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

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INFO

SD 2285

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

Secret
MMIA LO SARDINIA REPORTS NEARLY 5000 ITALIAN
RECALLS AWAITING SHIPMENT TO MAINLAND (.) PLEASE STATE WHEN FIRST
SHIP WILL BE AVAILABLE AND WHAT IS PROGRAMME THEREAFTER

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

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H-Col

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3-44a/CPQD 3-41 ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large)		MESSAGE FORM		40 38/113	Register No.
Call	St. No.	Priority	Transmitted Instructions		
CIPHER SECRET					
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.					
FROM (1)	MMIA	Originator	LO SIA SJA SIMMONS	Date-Time of Origin	131030
TO		MMIA for Col. C. P. KERR		Office Date Stamp	246
(W) For Information (INFO)		1 copy to Col. KERR		Change Instructions	GR
Originator's No.		492		SECRET	

Subject is Cruise Tpl for treats @
 Neither ABRUZZI nor MONTTECUCCOLI
 was due for several days @ Accumulation of
 treats here for long period extremely undesirable
 particularly from standpoint of lowering morale (?)
 at base not yet reported @ No definite instructions

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Originator's No.

492

SECRET

1 copy to 9 (ED)

Subject is Crisis tpt for treatls @
 Within ABRU22 I was MONTI CUCCOLI!
 now due for several days @ Accumulation of
 needs here for long period extremely undesirable
 particularly from standpoint of lowering morale (s)
 of those not yet reported @ No definite indication
 here as to exact schedule expected to be **206** and
 by Crisis when they begin tpt of phase 1 @ FALTA
 the estimates over 8000 will respond in first phase
 Request at least tentative schedule at earliest

SD/77

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This message may be sent
 AS WRITTEN by any means
 except

WIRELESS.

If liable to be intercepted or to fall into
 enemy hands this message must be sent IN
 CIPHER.

Originator's Instructions.
 Degree of Priority.

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Time

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System

Op

Time Cleared

Signed.

Signed.

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MESSAGE FORM		Register No. 32113
Cell No.	Srl. No.	Priority
Transmission Instructions		
CIPHER SECRET		
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.		
FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin
MMIA LO S/IA		131300
TO	For Action	
MMIA to KERR	Signed SIMMONS	
	(W) For Information (INFO)	
	1 copy to KERR	
	1 copy to (SD)	
Originator's No.	Message Instructions	GR
Y93	SECRET	
From 120900 to 130900 Fst		
5 officers		
4 NCO's and		
758 soldiers		
205		

Y93

SECRET

From 120900 to 130900 Fst

5 officers

4 NCO's and

758 soldiers

205

reports for call up @

Cumulative total to date

215 officers

16 NCO's and

4932 OR's @

All outstanding shipment @ None shipped to date

This message may be sent
AS WRITTEN by any means
except:

WIRELESS.

If liable to be intercepted or to fall into
enemy hands this message must be sent IN
CODE.

Originator's Instructions.

Degree of Priority

R12

IMPORTANT

Time

System

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THU OF TOB
131315A

Time Cleared

Signed

Signed

Further to this: No letter D/77 dated 4 Feb 78.

1. 60,000 rations will be needed for normal maintenance, based on an average stay in the island of 10 days.

Traveling returns will also be drawn from the various other

centered as follows:-

SAGEHILL	#	for travelling to CHAMBLIN	= 1 day for 1630-2445 relations
"	"	"	"
ONTARIO	#	"	= 1 day for 1739-1750 relations
"	"	"	"

3. For the journey from CIVILIAN to MILITARY two days release for 2000 men will be placed on board = 12000 rations.

4. For the journey from MARINE to the final destination, in the event of a change en route, for terms at MARINE as under:-

Electron 5051 e 3500 eV

[illegible]

$\frac{1}{\text{day}} = \frac{100}{100} = 1$

W. ASTORRI RE. Gays for 1900 = 111.

5. The rations distributed above allow for variations anywhere at each call-up centre, but should centres not be alerted of personnel as rapidly as is anticipated, additional rations will be distributed under Ministry of War arrangements.

6. Any unaccounted rations at call-up centers when the call-up is completed will be withdrawn into the nearest Italian Army Battalion Depot.

7. You are requested to report to this NO in two weeks the
and service gap in all light of travel of the personnel listed below
enlisted and during the period of travel. It is requested that
total number of normal and travel personnel be reported.

W. P. MORRIS.
Lt. Col. Regt.
General Forces and Comm. AG. (VIA).

UDC/110

Q⁷- I believe
that this show-
ing change you
are making is
correct.
I am
yours truly,
J. H. P.

15/2

Q⁸

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COPY

FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SGD FOSSETT

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

121000

Y 91

SECRET

FROM 110900 TO 120900 FEB 575 SOLDIERS REPORTED FOR CALL
UP (.) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 210 OFFICERS 12 NCO'S AND
4174 OR'S (.) ALL AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) NONE SHIPPED TO
DATE (.)

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i.e. 1000 Astoria
② 1000 Apayola
③ 1000 Astoria 203
④ 1000 Train
⑤ 1000 Tusumone
⑥ 1000 Astoria

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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE WEGDM

TO : MMIA
MMIA LO SARDINIA

INFO: MMIA LO PENSOUTH
UFFICIO TRASPORTI
SMRE
MOVWIT

FX 25140

SECRET

YOUR SD 2261 8 FEB MY FX 23856 9 FEB REFERS (.) ETA CAGLIARI CRUISER
MONTECUCCOLI NOW 18 FEB NOT 12 FEB (.) CANCEL EMBARKATION FOR 12 FEB
AND ADVISE ALL CONCERNED (.) AGREED C-IN-C MED

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Y OUR Y-83 AND Y-87 ACK (*) AM TAKING UP WITH AFHQ

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FROM: NMIA LO SARDINIA S. OED FOSSETT

TO: NMIA FOR SIMMONS

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Y 87

SECRET

FROM 100900 TO 110900 FEB 14 OFFICERS 2 NCO'S AND 1325 MEN REPORTED
FOR CALL UP (.) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 210 OFFICERS

12 NCO'S AND

3599 OR'S (.)

ALL AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE (.) NEW SUBJECT (.)

NO FURTHER INFORMATION AS TO CRUISERS

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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Col. SIMMONS

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

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Y 83

SECRET

FROM 090900 TO 100900 FEB 1 OFFICER 7 NCO'S AND 1067 MEN REPORTED
FOR CALL UP (.) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 196 OFFICERS 10 NCO'S AND
2274 ORS (.) ALL AWAIT SHIPMENT (.) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE (.) NEW
SUBJECT (.) CRUISER NOT RPT NOT YET ARRIVED SUB PARA
ITALIAN NAVY REPORT MONTECOCCOLI DAMAGED
WHILST DOCKING AT PALERMO WILL REQUIRE 8 DAYS REPAIRS (.)
ETA CAGLIARI 18TH FEB (.) ABRUZZI DIVERTED TO
MALTA

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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Col. SIMMONS

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FROM: MMIA LC SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

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Y 81SECRET

FROM 080900 FEB TO 090900 FEB 2 NCOs AND 585 MEN REPORTED FOR
 CALL UP (.) FIGURES ARE INCOMPLETE DUE TO BREAKDOWN IN COMMUNICATION
 FACILITIES (SASSARI MACOMER AND TEMPIC COULD NOT REPORT) THESE
 FIGURES WILL BE INCLUDED IN TOMORROWS RETURN IF AVAILABLE (.)
 CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO DATE 195 OFFICERS 3 NCOs AND 1207 SOLDIERS (.)
 ALL AWAITING SHIPMENT (.) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE (.) NEW SUBJECT (.)
 CRUISER NOT YET ARRIVED

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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Col SIMMONS

No Shipped Shipments *Shipment* *Remarks* *P10*

<u>Known</u>	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Accepted</u>	<u>Expected</u>	<u>Continued</u>
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MESSAGE FORM.

Date Time of Origin.

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FROM : MMIA
TO : AFHQ FOR G3 (ORG) MOV
INFO : MMIA IO PENSOUTH
MMIA IO SARDINIA.
REF NO : SD 2261

Security

Classification SECRET

SARDINIA CALL UP TOTAL 818 TO 080900 (*) PRESENT INTAKE
300 PER DAY (*) STATE (A) WHEN SHIP SAILS EX MAPLES FOR
CAGLIARI (B) DURATION OF ROUND TRIP

Precedence IMMEDIATE.

Authenticated

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Min of War.

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED FOSSETT

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

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SECRET

FROM 070900 FEB TO 080900 FEB 17 OFFRS AND 338 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL UP (.)
FIGURES ARE INCOMPLETE DUE TO BREAKDOWN OF COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES (.)
(NUORO SASSARI MACOMER AND TEMPIO COULD NOT
REPORT) THESE FIGURES WILL BE INCLUDED IN TOMORROWS RETURN (.) CUMULATIVE
TOTAL TO DATE 195 OFFRS 1 NCO AND 622 SOLDIERS (.) ALL AWAIT SHIPMENT (.)
NONE SHIPPED TO DATE (.) NEW SUBJECT (.) CRUISER NOT RPT NOT YET ARRIVED

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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COL SIMMONS

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SUBJECT:- Call-up SARDINIA
1914 - 24 Classes.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.E.I.A.).
ST/62/5

Direz.Gen.Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

8 Feb 45.

Copy to:- G(SD)

AQ

LO's

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(M.E.I.A.).

NAPLES SARDINIA 1 DISTRICT

Further to this HQ signal SD 2248 dated 5 Feb.

1. Please cancel para 5 of this HQ's letter ST/62/5 dated 22 Jan 45, and substitute:-

NAPLES	to	TRANI	2 days for 2,000	4,000 rations
"	"	FROSINONE	1 day for 1,000	1,000 rations
"	"	ASTRONI &		
		AFRAGOLA	NIL	NIL

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ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(M.E.I.A.).

K. Robert help
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K.P.CURTIS.
Lt.Col. RASC.

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MESSAGE FORM

MMIA

05 1700

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ATTN: FOR G-5 ORG (FOR)

INFO : MMIA LO PENSOUTH
 MMIA LO SARDINIA
 MINISTRY OF WAR
 CG PENSOUTH

REF : SD 2248

S E C R E T

SUBJECT SARDINIA RECALL PHASE 1 AND REF CONVERSATION WITH BARNES (.)
 ONE (.) HOPE TO LOAD FIRST 1000 PERSONNEL AT CAGLIARI ON MONTECUCCOLI
 9 FEB (.) THEREAFTER 1000 AT EACH SAILING EX CAGLIARI UNDER DIRECT
 ARRANGEMENTS SIMONS SARDINIA WHO HAS RECEIVED NAVAL PROGRAMME (.)
 TWO (.) REQUEST PRIORITIES FOR MOVEMENT ON REACHING MAINLAND (.)

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FIRST THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.)
SECOND THOUSAND TO	AFRAGOLA FOR	BR ITI (.)
THIRD THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.) -
FOURTH THOUSAND TO	TRANI FOR	BR ITI (.)
FIFTH THOUSAND TO	EROSINQUE FOR	ITI ITI (.)
SIXTH THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.)

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SECRET

REF : SD 2248

SUBJECT SARDINIA RECALL PHASE 1 AND REF CONVERSATION WITH BARNES (.)
 ONE (.) HOPE TO LOAD FIRST 1000/PERSONNEL AT CAGLIARI ON MONTECUCOLI
 9 FEB (.) THEREAFTER 1000 AT EACH SAILING EX CAGLIARI UNDER DIRECT
 ARRANGEMENTS SIMONS SARDINIA WHO HAS RECEIVED NAVAL PROGRAMME (.)
 TWO (.) REQUEST PRIORITIES FOR MOVEMENT ON REACHING MAINLAND (.)

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FIRST THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.)
SECOND THOUSAND TO	AFRAGOLA FOR	BR ITI (.)
THIRD THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.) -
FOURTH THOUSAND TO	TRANI FOR	BR ITI (.)
FIFTH THOUSAND TO	PROSCINCE FOR	ITI ITI (.)
SIXTH THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.)
SEVENTH THOUSAND TO	AFRAGOLA FOR	BR ITI (.)
EIGHTH THOUSAND TO	ASTRONI FOR	US ITI (.)
NINTH THOUSAND TO	TRANI FOR	BR ITI (.)
TENTH THOUSAND (A) 500 TO ASTRONI FOR		US ITI (.)
" (B) 500 TO AFRAGOLA FOR		BR ITI (.)

THREE (.) MILA LETTER SD/53/1 OF 18 JAN PARA 9 SHOULD BE ATTENDED
 ACCORDINGLY

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AUTHENTICATED

COPY TO: A/3. C(AE) (2). ST (2). MOV (2).

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

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SECRET

REF YOUR SD 2253 OF 6 FEB (.) CRUISER HAS N O T RPT N O T ARRIVED
AS OF 070900 FEB (.) FROM RETURNS TO DATE DOUBTFUL IF FIRST GROUP 1000
WILL DEPART ON 9TH

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Col. SIMMONS

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA

TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS

071030A

Y 78

SECRET

FROM 060900 FEB TO 070900 FEB 11 OFFICERS AND 228 MEN REPORTED FOR
CALL UP (.) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO 070900 FEB 178 OFFICERS 1 NCO AND
284 SOLDIERS (.) NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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Col SIMMONS

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FROM: MMIA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
MMIA LO SARDINIA

INFO:

AFHQ FOR G-3 ORG
AFHQ for G-1
AFHQ for G-4
AFHQ for G-3 TRS
AFHQ for G(MAINT)
AFHQ for G4
AFHQ for NOV
56 AREA FOR DMP
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REF : SD 2255

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REF THIS HQ LETTER SD/77 OF 4 FEB 45 SUBJECT CALL-UP SARDINIA CLASSES
1924(2) - 25 (.) AMEND FIRST LINE TO READ QUOTES REFERENCE THIS

HQ LETTER SD/77 OF 4 FEB 45 SUBJECT RECALL SARDINIA 1914 - 24 CLASSES

UNQUOTE (.) ALL INFORMED

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ICF RTC
REGIONAL COMMISSIONER SARDINIA
DISTONE FOR MMIA LO
DISTREE FOR MMIA LO
PENSOUTH for MMIA LO
ITALIAN RPT CAMP AFRAGOLA
ITALIAN RPT CAMP ORVIETO

RESTRICTED

REF : SD 2253

REF THIS HQ LETTER SD/77 OF 4 FEB 45 SUBJECT CALL-UP SARDINIA CLASSES
1924(2) - 25 (.) AMEND FIRST LINE TO READ QUOTES REFERENCE THIS
HQ LETTER SD/77 OF 4 FEB 45 SUBJECT RECALL SARDINIA 1914 - 24 CLASSES
UNQUOTE (.) ALL INFORMED

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA Date - Time
TO LO SARDINIA 6 1630

SD 2253

CONFIDENTIAL

RS

FOR FOSSETT (*) BID TO AFHQ FOR SEA TRANSPORTATION FOR SIX
THOUSAND RECALLS DURING MONTH OF FEBRUARY CONFIRMED (*) AIM
ALL SUPERVISION AT MEETING THIS FIGURE ON CRUISER SCHEDULE (*)
PERSONNEL SHIPMENTS OTHER THAN RECALLS CAN BE MADE ON VESSELS
TRANSPORTING STORES IF ARRANGEMENTS MADE IN ADVANCE (*) SIGNAL 1300
AT EARLIEST IF FIRST GROUP OF ONE THOUSAND WILL DEPART ON NINTH (*)
SIGNED SIMMONS

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED FL. SIMMONS Col

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA (Signed FOSSETT)
TO : MMIA for SIMMONDS
REF : Y 74

SECRET

FROM 050900 FEB to 060900 FEB 6 OFFICERS AND 56 MEN REPORTED FOR CALL-UP
(.) CUMULATIVE TOTAL TO 060900 FEB 167 OFFICERS, 1 NCO, AND 56 SOLDIERS
NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

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SECRET

SUBJECT: - Re-call SARDINIA 1914-24 Classes

LAND FORCES SUP COM A.C.

(MMIA)

SD/77

1 Feb 45

MINISTRY OF WAR (2)

MMIA LO SARDINIA (3) - by hand of LO

1. MMIA letter SD/53/1 of 18 Jan 45 laid down instructions for the re-call of the 1914-24 classes in SARDINIA. Please cancel paras 9 and 13 and substitute the following:

2. ALLOCATION TO CATEGORY(a) Phase 1

(1)	<u>PRIORITY</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
	1st 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
	2nd 1,000	AFRAGOLA	BR-ITI
	3rd 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
	4th 1,000	TRANI	BR-ITI
	5th 1,000	FROSINONE	ITI-ITI
	6th 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
	7th 1,000	AFRAGOLA	BR-ITI
	8th 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
	9th 1,000	TRANI	BR-ITI
	10th 1,000	(A) 500 to ASTRONI	US-ITE

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<u>PRIORITY</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>
1st 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
2nd 1,000	AFRAGOLA	BR-ITI
3rd 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
4th 1,000	TRANI	BR-ITI
5th 1,000	FROSINONE	ITI-ITI
6th 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
7th 1,000	AFRAGOLA	BR-ITI
8th 1,000	ASTRONI	US-ITI
9th 1,000	TRANI	BR-ITI
10th 1,000	(A) 500 to ASTRONI (B) 500 to AFRAGOLA	US-ITI BR-ITI

(ii) Total numbers per category are:-

45%	-	4,500 to US-ITI
45%	-	4,500 to BR-ITI
10%	-	1,000 to ITI-ITI

		10,000

II Phase II

30%	-	US-ITI	ASTRONI	3,000
30%	-	BR-ITI	(AFRAGOLA	1,500
			(TRANI	1,500
30%	-	Combat	CESANO	3,000
10%	-	ITI-ITI	FROSINONE	1,000
			-----	10,000

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3. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- (a) Each man will be issued and retain on leaving SARDINIA the following from Italian items now in SARDINIA :-

1 overcoat
1 pr socks wool
1 pr drawers wool
1 undershirt wool or sweater
1 cap
1 shirt wool grey
1 blanket
1 towel
Italian insignia

- (b) One additional blanket will be issued to each man for use while in SARDINIA but will NOT be removed from the island.

- (c) The following additional items will be issued to each man from stocks being shipped from NAPLES, ETA later :-

1 pr boots
1 pr trousers

- (d) Overcoats will be withdrawn on arrival of personnel at NAPLES and handed in to ITALIAN DEPOT NAPLES.

- (e) Clothing and equipment of personnel will be brought up to full scale on arrival at final destination on the mainland under arrangements of the nationality concerned.

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Major General
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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA (.) SIGNED FOSSETT
TO: MMIA FOR SIMMONS (S)

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FROM 040900 FEBRUARY TO 050900 FEBRUARY 32 OFFICERS REPORTED FOR
CALL UP (.) COMMULATIVE TOTAL TO 050900 FEBRUARY 161 OFFICERS 1
NCO NIL SOLDIERS NONE SHIPPED TO DATE

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TO

MMIA for SIMMONS

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FROM

MMIA LO SIA signed
FOSSETT

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

SECRET

From 040900 February to 050900 February

32 officers reported for call up. Cumulative total to 050900.
February 161 officers, 1 NCO, nil soldiers, none shipped to dateThis message may be sent As Written
by any means
*(except)
(.....) WirelessThis message must be sent In Cipher
if liable to interception or to fall into
enemy handsOriginator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

IMPORTANT

Time of Origin

1500

Signature.....

Signature.....

*Originator may delete "except" and insert "including"

(Below this Line is for Signals use Only.)

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FROM:

MMIA

TO : (FOR ACTION) MMIA LO SARDINIA

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REFERENCE OUR AQ 2732 OF 3 FEBRUARY (.) AMEND PARAGRAPH ONE
OF SIGNAL TO INCLUDE ONE TOWEL AS RECOMMENDED BY YOU IN YOUR
Y 67 (.) SIGNED KERR (.)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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C. F. KERR, Col

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FROM: MMIA
TO : (FOR ACTION) MMIA LO SARDINIA

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SECRET

AQ 2732

SUBJECT IS CLOTHING FOR TEN THOUSAND MEN EXPECTED FIRST CALL UP (.)
ADVISE CMC THAT ON RECOMMENDATION OF COLONEL SIMMONS THE FOLLOWING
PROGRAM IS APPROVED: FIRST (.) FROM ITALIAN ARMY ITEMS NOW IN
SARDINIA EACH MAN WILL BE ISSUED ONE EACH OVERCOAT, SOCKS WOOL,
DRAWERS WOOL, UNDERSHIRT WOOL OR SWEATER, CAP, SHIRT WOOL GREY,
SET OF MESS GEAR, ONE BLANKET, AND NECESSARY ITALIAN INSIGNIA (.)
SECOND (.) ONE ADDITIONAL BLANKET WILL BE ISSUED EACH MAN FOR
USE WHILE IN SARDINIA BUT THIS BLANKET WILL NOT REPEAT WILL NOT
BE TAKEN FROM SARDINIA (.) THIRD (.) THE OVERCOAT WILL BE TAKEN
FROM EACH MAN ON ARRIVAL NAPLES AND TURNED IN TO ITALIAN DEPOT
NAPLES (.) FOURTH (.) TO PERMIT ISSUE OF ONE PAIR BOOTS AND ONE
PAIR TROUSERS TO EACH MAN IN ADDITION TO ITEMS SHOWN IN FIRST
ABOVE NECESSARY STOCKS ARE BEING SHIPPED FROM NAPLES (.) ETA
WILL BE ADVISED (.) SIGNED KERR (.)

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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C. P. KERR, Col

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From : MMIA LO SARDINIA signed FOSSETT

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To : MMIA for SIMMONS

Ref : Y 69

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Further our Y 66 and (?) in reply MMIA SD2234 and SD 2236
of 3 Feb (.) From 020900 Feb - 030900 Feb 24 Officers
reported for call up (.) From 030900 Feb - 040900 Feb 32
Officers reported for call up (.) Cumulative total to
040900 Feb 129 Officers I NCO and NIL soldiers reported for
call up (.) All of above are awaiting shipment (/) Date
probable move not yet determined (.) None shipped to date

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SECRETSUBJECT: Call-up SARDINIA Classes 1924 (2) - 25LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

File No. SD/77 ←

4 Feb 45TO : MINISTRY OF WAR (2)
MIA LO SARDINIA (2)Reference this HQ letter SD/77 ⁴ of 3 Feb 1945.

1. The Italian Ministry of War will call up into the Italian Army 6,000 personnel fit for general service of the classes 1924 (part 2) - 1925 in SARDINIA. This will include personnel of Hebrew faith classes 1919-25.

2. DATE

The Call-up will start on 15 March 1945 and finish on 31 March 1945 and will take place under the supervision of MIA LO SARDINIA.

3. INTAKE

An availability of 6,400 maximum is forecast by the War Ministry. 6,000 will be enlisted. The allotment to categories and destinations appears at para 3.

4. REPORTS

MIA LO SARDINIA will report daily by quickest means to this HQ copy to MIA LO NAHLES

(a) daily intake and cumulative total

(b) numbers awaiting shipment and probable date of move

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Reference this HQ letter SD/76/2 of 3 Feb 1945.

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(a) daily intake and cumulative total

(b) numbers awaiting shipment and probable date of move

(c) numbers shipped.

War Ministry will submit a report to this HQ on completion showing numbers,

(a) reporting to recruiting centers

(b) enrolled

(c) exempted on medical grounds

(d) otherwise exempted.

5. ESCORTS

War Ministry will arrange for escorts on basis of plan already submitted by HQ SARDINIA vide P.M. 75/A - 31 Jan 45.

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6. RATIONS

War Ministry will be authorized to issue the correct number of rations needed and will report issue to this HQ. The rations to be issued will include rations for recalled personnel, recruiting staffs, CC PR, escorts, and travel rations.

7. COLLECTION AND TRANSFER TO RECRUITING CENTRES

Personnel will be collected and moved to Recruiting Centres under M of W arrangements. For this purpose arrangement for loan of trucks will be made between MIA LO CARDINIA and local HQ SARDINIA.

8. The following is a summary of the numbers of personnel War Ministry state are expected to be enrolled in the various districts:-

<u>War Ministry Estimate</u>		
	<u>Due to Report</u>	<u>Eligible for Enlistment</u>
CAGLIARI	3,065	3,100
CRISTINO	2,188	1,750
SASSARI	2,048	1,630
	6,480	6,000 will be enrolled

9. ALLOCATION TO CATEGORIES

<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Destination Training Depot</u>
30%	US-ITI	1800	ASTRONI
30%	BR-ITI	1800	ORVETO
30%	Combat	1800	CESANO

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30%	GR-ITI	1800	ORVIEITO
30%	Combat	1800	CESSANO
10%	ITI-ITI	600	TRCSINQUE
		6,000	

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10. MOVEMENTS

Collection and tpt from Recruiting Centre to CAGLIARI will be under arrangements MOLA 10 SARDINIA according to dates of availability of sea transport to mainland.

Movement from NAPLES will be under arrangements MOLA 10 NAPLES. AFHQ are asked to arrange rail tpt on his request to destinations in para 9 as personnel become available at NAPLES port.

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11. BEDDING AND BACKPACK STORES

Will be issued by Italian authorities on a loan basis to recruiting centres and returned to depot stocks after the completion of the re-call, except that one blanket will be retained by each recruit.

12. PERSONAL WEARING EQUIPMENT

Will be issued at recruiting centres from Italian Stocks for retention by recruits.

13. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

Instructions will follow.

14. It is emphasised that this is a call-up of young men who have not had any previous army service. They should be given a "welcome" before being posted to units and encouraged to specialise in any branch if at all possible.

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G-4	3
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M. J. L. Leland
Major General
for M. M. I. S.

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14. It is emphasized that this is a call-up of young men who have not had any previous army service. They should be given 4 weeks' basic training before being posted to units ordered. It is requested that you advise if at all possible.

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER SARDINIA.

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONER SARDINIA.

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L. M. Z. Lachant
Major General
for H. M. I. A.

SUBJECT: Re-call SARDINIA 1914 - 24 classes.

SECRET

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

SD/77
4 Feb 45.

To : MINISTRY OF WAR (2)
MMIA LO SARDINIA (3)

14 (d). Further to this H.Q. letter SD/53/1 of 18 Jan 45, para.

1. Phase II of the recall in SARDINIA of the 1914-24 classes will now take place under supervision MMIA LO (SARDINIA) from 1-14 March 1945 inclusive.

It is expected to produce 10,000 reinforcements.

2. The allotment of Phase II to categories and destinations is as follows:

30%	US-ITI	ASTRONI	3,000
30%	BR-ITI	APRAGOLA	1,500
		TRANI	1,500
30%	Combat	OLISANO	3,000
10%	ITI-ITI	FROSINONE	1,000

			10,000

3. MOVEMENT.

A.F.H.Q. are arranging for sea transport to be available. MMIA LO SARDINIA will arrange for collection and tpt of personnel from Recruiting Centres to CAGLIARI according to availability of shipping.

Details of personnel being shipped and destinations will be signalled by MMIA LO SARDINIA under the same arrangements as requested in SD/53/1 of 18 Jan above referred to, para 4.

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and AFHQ are asked to arrange rail tpt at his request to destinations given above as personnel become available.

4. Arrangements for reports, rations, collection and transfer of iron to recruiting centres, bedding, barrack stores, will be as detailed in MMIA letter of 18 Jan 45, above referred. For Phase I Instructions for personal equipment and clothing will be issued separately.

5. Instructions are also being issued for the call-up of the 1924 (second part) -25 classes between 15-31 March in SARDINIA to produce about 6,000 recruits who have not been in the Army before and will require basic trg.

6. War Ministry will arrange for escorts on basis of plan already submitted by HQ SARDINIA vide P.N. 75/A-31 Jan 45.

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Major General. *L. M. I.*
M. M. I. A.

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Regional Commissioner,

SARDINIA.

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RE: Sigs: MED SPEC SEC (2)

Chief of Staff, A.C. Pub Safety S.C., A.C.

FROM: NMIA

TO: (FOR ACTION) NMIA LO SARDINIA

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SECRET

FOR POSSIBLE (.) FIRST (.) REFERENCE YOUR Y 66 DATED 3 FEBRUARY (.)
500 OFFICERS CALLED UP IN SARDINIA ARE PART OF 1000 OFFICERS
AUTHORIZED BY NMIA (.) CLOTHING RELEASE FOR THESE AUTHORIZED
WHEN NIKED CERTIFIED BY CWS (.) SECOND (.) SIGNAL TO HERE WHEN
MANTLE RETURNS AND ASSIGN HIM TO COORDINATE ALL RECALL ACTIVITIES
WITH GENERAL SCALABINO AND HEADQUARTERS CWS (.) THIRD (.)
REFERENCE NMIA LETTER SD/53/1 DATED 18 JANUARY (.) DISREGARD
PARAGRAPH FIVE REPEAT FIVE AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR PARAGRAPH
FOUR REPEAT FOUR OF LETTER CWS PM 75/A DATED 31 JANUARY (.) SEE
COSTANTINO FOR COPY AS I LEFT NONE IN FILE (.) ACKNOWLEDGE (.)
SIGNED SIMONS (.)

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Ack from NMIA LO

Exemption received 6/21

See file S/G/33, message

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F. L. SIMONS, Col

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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

PRECEDENCE

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FROM : MMIA LO S/IA SIGNED FOSSETT
TO : MMIA FOR SIMMONS.

01 Feb

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SECRET

CMS REPORTED THAT AS OF TODAY 73 OFFICERS 1 NCO and NIL SOLDIERS REPORTED
FOR CALL UP (*) NEW SUBJECT (*) CMS REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE
100 COMPLETE UNIFORMS TO OFFICERS WHO ARE CALLED UP AND HAVE NO UNIFORMS

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SCD SIMMONS
TO (ACTION) MMIA FOR KERR

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REF YOUR LETTER SD/28 DATED 24 JAN SUBJECT MOBILE CORR BN CLARIFICATION REQUESTED
AS FOLLOWS (*) FIRST (*) NO AFVs HERE AND RECOMMEND SUBSTITUTION LIGHT TANKS 3/35
SIMILAR TO THOSE SHIPPED (TO?) SICILY (*) SECOND (*) MESSAGE FROM ORLANDO TO
CMS STATES BN TO BE FORMED FROM QUOTE ONE RPT ONE CORR COY AND TWO RPT TWO
COYS SERVICE MEN FROM OTHER BRANCHES UNQUOTE (*) WHAT IS TO BE SOURCE OF SERVICE MEN
FROM OTHER BRANCHES QUERY IF THEY ARE TO BE SUPPLIED (HERE?) RECOMMEND THEY BE DRAWN
FROM IMPENDING CALL BY (*) THIRD (*) REQUEST REPLY AT EARLIEST

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

LWS/el

Ref. 802/75/COS

29 January 45

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MEMORANDUM:

TO : Director, Land Forces Subcommittee, MIA

Colonel Pennysuick, Regional Commissioner, Sardegna Region, expects to visit this Headquarters for a period of approximately three days starting the 5th of February. He wishes to go into the question of the call-up of the Italian Army. Will you kindly see that pertinent information on this subject is available?

I understand Col Simmone will probably be here.

Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff

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13 Feb

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1 DISTRICT

Further to this HQ letter SD/53/1 dated 18 Jan 45.

1. Sufficient stocks are available in Sardinia other than wine and olive oil to take care of the call-up for Phases I and II. Arrangements have been made to ship additional quantities of oil and wine.

2. For the purpose approximately 40,000 rations will be required for each phase for normal maintenance based on an average stay of 4 days.

3. Travelling rations will also be drawn from no mal stocks and made available for issue at the various call-up centres as follows:-

SASSARI for travelling to CAGLIARI 14 days for 3,500	= 1750 rations
ORISTANO " " " 1 day for 2,750	= 2750 rations
Total	4500 rations

4. For the journey from CAGLIARI to NAPLES two days rations for 10,000 will be placed on board = 20,000 rations.

5. For the journey from NAPLES to the final destination rations will be made available for issue at Naples as under:-

NAPLES to AREZZO	3 days for 1200	= 3600 rations	NIL
NAPLES to CESSANO	2 days for 3000	= 6000 rations	NIL
NAPLES to PROSINONE	1 day for 1000	= 1000 rations	NIL
NAPLES to AFRAGOLA and AUTRONTI			NIL

6. The rations distributed above ~~will~~ allow for maximum numbers at each call-up centres; but should centres not be cleared of personnel as rapidly as is anticipated, additional rations will be distributed under Ministry of War arrangements.

7. Any unconsumed ration at call-up centres when the call-up is completed will be withdrawn into the nearest Italian Army Ration Depot.

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8. You are requested to report to this HQ in due course the total number of normal and travel rations consumed during the call-up.

S. L. Cann Napri

SWC/no

for B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (LMA).

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SUBJECT: Re-call - SARDINIA 1914-24 Classes

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/53/1
20 Jan 45

TO : REGIONAL COMMISSIONER
A.C., SARDINIA

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Attached for information is copy of this HQ letter SD/53/1
of 18 Jan containing instructions for the proposed re-call of the
1914-24 Classes to the colours in SARDINIA.

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RER
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

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SUBJECT:- Calls-up to Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MHA)
SD/53/1

18 Jan 45

To : Chief of Staff,
HQ A.C.

SD/53/1

Reference your letter 3630/COS of 15 Jan 45.

1. Attached please find schedule of projected calls-up.

signed

S.M. INGERSBY - Lt Col

for

Major General
MHA

Copy to :- D Cos, CA Section

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<u>Serial</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Projected Call-ups JAN/FEB/MAR</u>
1	SYOTLY	1914-24	January	8,000	Direct to (a) Loc (b) CEE
2	ROME and LAZIO	1914-24 (exemptions)	20 Jan - 31 Jan	5,000	1,000 ex VITERBO 4,000 ex rest of
3	CALABRIA	1914-24 (exemptions)	20 Jan - 31 Jan	6,000	1,000 to ITI-ITI 5,000 to ABRACOLA
4	APULIA	1924/25	February	20,000	6,000 US-ITI to A Div in NAPLES for 6,000 BR-ITI to C by then have moved 6,000 combat to C 2,000 ITI-ITI to
5	SARDINIA	1914-24	February	10,000	3,000 US-ITI to A 1,800 BR-ITI to A 1,200 BR-ITI to A 3,000 combat to C 1,000 ITI-ITI to
6	SARDINIA	1914-24	March	10,000	Allocation not yet
7	SARDINIA	1924/25	March	6,400	Allocation not yet
8	CALABRIA	1924-24	March	16,000	Allocation not yet

Projected Call-ups JAN/FEB/MAR

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AccommodationMembers

8,000

Direct to (a) Loan ordered for Muleteer Programme, 1st priority
(b) CIESANO for Combat, 2nd priority

5,000

1,000 ex VITERBO to CIESANO for combat
4,000 ex rest of region to ASTRONI for FEB

6,000

1,000 to ITI-ITI units
5,000 to ABRAGOLA

20,000

6,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI, M/V making arrangement direct with GOC 212
Div in NAPLES for good accommodation.
6,000 BR-ITI to ORVIEVO covered accommodation. Muleteer Coys will
by then have moved to FOLIGNO
6,000 combat to CIESANO. Improvements being made rapidly.
2,000 ITI-ITI to ITI Barracks, FROSINONE.

10,000

3,000 US-ITI to ASTRONI
1,800 BR-ITI to ABRAGOLA
1,200 BR-ITI to AREZZO (against muleteer programme)
3,000 combat to CIESANO
1,000 ITI-ITI to FROSINONE

10,000

Allocation not yet made

6,400

Allocation not yet made

16,000

Allocation not yet made

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

SD/53/1

18 Jan 45

TO : Ministry of War (2)
MMIA LC SARDINIA (3) - *By hand of L.O.*

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Confirming verbal instructions from Maj EAMUNNI to Ministry of War.

1. The Italian Ministry of War is authorised to recall into the Italian Army personnel fit for general service of the classes 1914 up to the first quarter of 1924 inclusive.

2. DATE

This call-up will take place under supervision MMIA LC (SARDINIA) in two places as follows :-

Phase I. 1 - 14 Feb 45 inclusive.Phase II. 15 - 31 March 45 inclusive.3. INTAKE

An intake of 20,000 maximum is expected by the War Ministry - 10,000 in each phase. The allotment of Phase I to categories and destinations appears at para 11. See transport for Phase I has been requested.

4. REPORTS

MMIA LC SARDINIA will report daily by quickest means to this HQ copy to MMIA LC NAPLES

(a) daily intake and cumulative total

(b) numbers awaiting shipment and probable date of move

(c) numbers shipped.

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Phase I. 1 - 14 Feb 45 inclusive.

Phase II. 15 - 31 March 45 inclusive.

3. INTAKE An intake of 20,000 maximum is expected by the War Ministry - 10,000 in each phase. The allotment of Phase I to categories and destinations appears at para 11. See transport for Phase I has been requested.

4. REPORTS MM.L. LO SARDINIA will report daily by quickest means to this HQ copy to MM.L. LO NAPLES

(a) daily intake and cumulative total

(b) numbers awaiting shipment and probable date of move

(c) numbers shipped.

War Ministry will submit a report to this HQ on completion showing num-

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bers,

(a) reporting to recruiting centers

(b) enrolled

(c) exempted on medical grounds

(d) otherwise exempted....

5. ESCORTS

War Ministry will arrange for escorts on basis of 5 Carabinieri per 100 men moved.

6. RATIONS

War Ministry will be authorized to issue the correct number of rations needed and will report issue to this HQ. The rations to be issued will include rations for recalled personnel, recruiting staffs, CC.M. escorts, and travel rations.

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7. Collection and Transfer to Recruiting Centres

Personnel will be collected and moved to Recruiting Centres under 1. of arrangements. For this purpose 30 trucks will be released under arrangements to be made between MIL LC SARDINIA and local HQ SARDINIA.

8. The following is a summary of the numbers of personnel War Ministry state are expected to be enrolled in the various districts :-

	Numbers expected To Report	To be enrolled	
		Phase I	Phase II
CAGLIARI	15,000	3,750	3,750
ORISTANO	11,000	2,750	2,750
SASSARI	14,000	3,500	3,500
		10,000	10,000

9. Allocation to Category.

Phase I	30%	Category	Initial Destination	
			ASTRONI	3,000
	30%	UC-ITI	AFRAGOLA	1,800
		BR-ITI	AREZZO	1,200 (against volunteer programme)
	30%	Combat	CESANO	3,000
	10%	ITI-ITI	FRSINONE	1,000
				10,000
Phase II		allocation later		10,000.

Should it appear that the total intake will fall short of the anticipated 10,000 MIL LC SARDINIA will arrange allocation in the above percentages. BR-ITI priority being 1200 to AREZZO.

10. MOVEMENTS

9. Allocation to Category.

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10. MOVEMENTS

Collection and transport from Recruiting Centre to CACULIARI will be under arrangements MMIA LC SARDINIA according to dates of availability of sea transport from mainland.

Two naval vessels are being made available under arrangements AFHQ.

Movement from NAPLES will be under arrangements MMIA LC NAPLES. AFHQ are asked to arrange rail transport on his request to destinations in para 11 as persons not become available at NAPLES port. Rail transport will be submitted as far ahead as possible.

11. Lodging and Barrack Stores

Will be issued by Italian authorities on a loan basis to recruiting centres and returned to depot stocks after the completion of the re-call, except that one blanket will be retained by each recruit.

12. Personal messin' equipment

Will be issued at recruiting centres from Italian stocks for retention by recruits.

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13. Clothing and Equipment

- PBS
- (a) US-ITI At Base Derot or other destination under arrangements
- (b) ER-ITI Combat at CESAN
Service at Base Derot or by ER-ITI Ad-Div on arrival of recruit to unit or transit camp according to instructions to be issued later.
- (c) ITI-ITI At ITI-ITI destination under arrangements SURE.
14. Further instructions will be issued for
- (a) Phase II of this re-call to take place between 15 - 31 March
- (b) Call-up of the military classes of 1924 (second part) and 1925 between 1 - 14 March.

This is expected to produce about 6,000 recruits who have not been in the Army before and will require basic training.

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FROM: HQ ALCOM

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TO : ALCOM SARDINIA REGION FOR REGIONAL COMMISSIONER

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SECRET

PARA 1 (.) CALL UP FOR ITALIAN ARMY WILL PROBABLY TAKE PLACE
IN SARDINIA ON 1 FEBRUARY 45 AND CONTINUE FOR 2 MONTHS (.)
1914-1924 AGE GROUPS AFFECTED (.) YOU ARE AUTHORISED TO INFORM
HIGH COMMISSIONER (.)

PARA 2 (.) 10,000 MEN ARE REQUIRED IN EACH MONTH (.)

PARA 3 (.) CC RR MOBILE BATTALION BEING FORMED WITH 12 3-TON
TRUCKS AND 12 ARMoured VEHICLES TO BE ALLOTTED BY LAND FORCES
SUB COMMISSION

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TO : MMIA

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Italian Call ups are reference (.) ONE (.) Total availability of Clothing January and February will be 17000 sets on basis of 6000 per month for BR-ITIS and 2500 per month for US-ITIS (.) TWO (.) 2
Recommend that full programme Appx "A" your SD/53/1 of 27 Dec be put into operation (.) This will allow for selection of fit men and rejection of those not considered suitable (.) THREE (.) Letter follows showing overall manpower state for January/February/March (.) FOUR (.) Reference your cable SD 1948 of 17 1200A (December) Understood your firm estimate of availability from SARDINIA Call-up will not exceed 6000 per month (.) Shipping is available and you are requested to proceed (.) FIVE (.) Emphasised that final figures for enlistments should not exceed 17000 in period January/February to any large extent (.) Rigorous standards should be maintained to ensure the intake of fit men only

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Subject: Re-Call to Colour Sardinia.-

809/3
8 Jan. 45.

The following details are passed to you for information:-

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FROM : AFHQ signed SAC cite FHECT
TO (ACTION) : MMIA
INFO : ALLIED COMMISSION SARDINIA

FX 80270

PARA ONE (.) NECESSARY TO PREPARE MOVEMENT PERSONNEL FROM CALL UPS IN SARDINIA
DUE FEBRUARY AND MARCH (.)

PARA TWO (.) TWO WARSHIPS WILL BE AVAILABLE BUT DESIRE AN ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER
PERSONNEL LIKELY TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM PLANNED TEN THOUSAND EACH MONTH (.)

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

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SUBJECT:- Call-up Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MMA)
SD/53/1
27 Dec 44

APHQ

Further to my signal SD1948 of 17 Dec copy of which is att for easy reference.

1. The method of maintaining the Italian Army in strength has not been good lately and the Minister for War is personally examining alterations in the exemption laws with the object of fulfilling Allied demands.
2. Att at Appx "A" is a chart showing Italian Army Call-up situation. Recently the limiting factor has been the lack of equipment. It is however understood that sufficient equipment is available to equip 10,000 per month for the next four or five months.
3. The last column on the chart shows a recommendation for calling up the latter half of the 1924 class and the 1925 class complete, the figures of which are the difference between actual receipts or anticipated receipts and the monthly figure of 10,000 personnel.
4. Will you please say if you agree when I will take strong measures with the Ministry of War to see that the figures are adhered to.
5. Will you please notify me when the equipment situation is likely to improve so that steps may be taken to increase the manpower to the authorised ceiling.

signed

L. BROWNING

Major General
MMA

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APPENDIX "A" to NMIA letter
SD/53/1 of 27 Dec 44

ITALIAN PERSONNEL STRENGTHS

Month	Target	Received	Anticipated	Proposed call-up of 1924/25 Class

1944				
Nov	6000 ex ABRUZZI	2000		8000
Dec	8000 ex SICILY	1500		8500
1945				
Jan	12000 ex SICILY		8000	2000
Feb	10000 ex SARDINIA		6000	4000
Mar	10000 ex SARDINIA		6000	4000
				----- 26500

This amended to read as below by
NMIA SD2020 of 29 Dec

say 20,000 by 31 Jan
say 10,000 by 31 Mar

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say 20,000 by 28 Feb

say 10,000 more by 31 Mar

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FROM: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT

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TO : MMIA

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INFO: PENSOUTH
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MOV NAPLES
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MONTECUCCOLI:

74	RECALLS
816	RECRUITS
7	OFFRS AND
9	CCRR ESCORT AND
23	OFFRS
80	BA 1st TERRITORIAL HQ

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WHIA recommends recall to the colours of 1914 to 1924 classes
ex SARDINIA as follows (.) 10,000 in early Feb (.) 10,000 in
early March (.) Do you agree and can movement be arranged.

PRECEDENCE

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AUTHENTICATED

SM. Hughes - V. 163

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