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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL.

FROM : MMIA LO 54 AREA
TO : TERRITORIAL HQ BARI - 230 DIV
INFO : MMIA - MMIA LO 52 AREA
REF : AQ/217

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REFERENCE FIRST ADDRESSEE 1352/ORD DATED 4 APR NOT TO ALL (.)
AGREED FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ATTACHED FOR ADMINISTRATION
AND RATIONS TO 924 REPARTO PORTUALE AS ALTERNATIVE ATTACHMENT
NOT RPT NOT POSSIBLE (.)
208 SUB AREA LIAISON OFFICE 3 OFFERS 5 MEN (.)
POTO - ELECTRICIST AREOPORTO M A A F DETACHMENT
EX NAPLES 1 OFFR 20 MEN (.)
DETACHMENT 172 LINE SIGNAL COY 26 MEN (.)
230 DIV WILL ARRANGE

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SUBJECT : Status of Italian Troops.

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LAND FORCES SUB-COMM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/92
7 April 46

TO : Commanding General
5th (U.S.) Army

Reference is made to your letter A.C. 336.2-2
of 1 April, subject, Status of Italian Troops as of 29
Mar 45.

It is requested that an increased distribution
of three copies please be made to this H.Q. of future
copies of your Troop list.

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

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SUBJECT: Returns

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File N° 3D/92

31 Mar 48

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Attached herewith for information is copy of HQ.AC.
Comparative Strength Return compiled as at 24 March.

W. H. C. A. S. L.
Major General Capt
(M.M.I.A.)

am.

R 1532
31 March

ALLIED COMMISSION.

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			W.B.		Effective Strength.		In Hospital.		On Leave.		Ab- wi- le
			Os.	ORs.	Os.	ORs.	Os.	ORs.	Os.	ORs.	Os.
Central Refugee Office, Ancona.			5	15	4	17					
600	Refugee Camp, Ronignano Solvay.	D.1	5	45	3	67					3
600 (B)	" " "	D.2	5	45							
601	" Riccione.	B.1	5	45	23	93			2	4	
601 (B)	" Palombina Ancona.	B.2	5	45							
610	" Meldola.	A.2	5	45	4	60					
611	" Castiglione Fiorentino.	C.1	5	45	1	17					
612	" Assisi.	C.3	5	45	5	37					4
613	" Viadana.	A.3	5	45	9	45					
614	" Rimini.	E.2	5	45	3	27					4
615	" Viserba di Rimini.	E.1	5	45	4	41		2			3
616	" Chiaravalle, Ancona.	B.4	5	45	2	26		1			2
616 (B)	" Cervia.	A.1	5	45	3	70					8
617	" Pesaro.	B.2	5	45	4	32					
618	" Fermo.	E.3	5	45	5	24					
619	" Bari.	D.4	5	45	4	30					1
120	Transit Camp, Ginecitta.	E.4	5	45	10	61	1	3	1		8
205	" Castiglione Fiorentino.	C.2	5	45	7	63		1	2		5
206	" Foggia.	C.4	5	45	3	34		4			4
213	" Lucera.	D.3	5	45	6	45			1		2
214	" Cassino.	A.4	5	45	5	37	1				
			105	915	115	826	2	11	6		48

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : MMIA LO 3/IA Sgd FOSSETT
TO : MMIA
REF : Y 224

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IMPORTANT

P.W.B. NO LONGER EXISTS IN S A R D I N I A RADIO
S A R D I N I A IS NOW UNDER I T A L I A N CIVILIAN
CONTROL (.) IS THERE ANY AUTHORITY FOR THE 50 I T A L I N
MILITARY NOW HELD UNDER CATEGORY 5 P.W.B. CENSOSHIP TO
CONTINUE THIS JOB ? ARE THEY NOW EXCESS PERSONNEL AVAILABLE
FOR SHIPMENT TO MAINLAND ?

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jv 30 March

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Subject: 570 Combat Eng Unit

Land Forces Sub Commission AG
(R.N.L.A.)

File No 100/92

27 March 48

War Ministry

Folio 103
on 1st Cover

1. This HQ was informed by Fifth Army in signal ref 1934 of 10 March, addressed to HQHQHQ, that 570 Combat Eng Unit had been moved on orders of HQHQHQ to HQHQHQ HQHQHQ for conversion to 565 Mine Clearance Bgt.
2. Subsequently, reports suggest that part or all of this unit may still be in Fifth Army area.
3. Will you please inform this HQ as to the position by 1800 hrs on 1 April.

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Major General
R.N.L.A.

Copy to: HQHQHQ HQHQHQ
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No reply yet
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RE/II/I
28 Mar 45

Col Kerr
G(SD) 2—
A Q
Q(AE)

Mine Clearance
Pool of Instructors

Herewith information regarding the distribution of 522 personnel for Mine Clearance held against Category 5(a):—

	IO	offrs	5 yrs
1) BOM Central Office Rome	I2		6
2) Permanent Trg Centre Rome	I4		7
3) Lazio-Umbria zone	I2		6
4) Toscana "	7		3
5) Abruzzi-Marche "	4		2
6) Campania "	4		2
7) Molise "	4		2
8) BOM Nucleus Piemonte	4		2
9) " " Lombardia	4		2
10) " " Liguria	4		2
11) " " Emilia	4		2
12) " " Venezia	4		2
13) " " Venezia Trid.	4		2

Note serials 8-13 are attached to serial 2 above.

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Herewith information regarding the distribution of 320 personnel for Mine Clearance held against Category 5(a):-

	BCM Central Office	Rome	IO effrs	5 yrs
1)	BCM Central Office	Rome	I2	6
2)	Permanent Trg Centre	Rome	I4	7
3)	Lazio-Umbria zone		I2	6
4)	Toscana		7	3
5)	Abruzzi-Marche		4	2
6)	Campania		4	2
7)	Molise		4	2
8)	BCM Nucleus Piemonte		4	2
9)	" Lombardia		4	2
10)	" Liguria		4	2
11)	" Emilia		4	2
12)	" Venezia		4	2
13)	" Venezia Trid.		4	2

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DATE: <i>29/3.</i>

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Subject:- Orbat.

File Ref: X514

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1. Ref SD/92 of 17 Mar 45.
2. Page 23 (Br-It1) 181/182/183 Tech Maint Secs. These three sections have now been reorganised into six. The new W.E. is GH/820/2.
3. 210 Mista Genio has now ceased to exist ¹⁵²⁷ and has been converted into 519 and 520 Italian Line Secs. They will remain in same location. Page 11 will require amending to read 516 to 518 Line Secs now forming at Nocera instead of 516 - 520.

W. CAIVELEY

W. CAIVELEY, Major.
S.C.R. Sigs.
M.M.I.A.

23 MAR 45

MMIA - 'G'
FILE: <u>SD/92</u>
DATE: <u>23 Mar</u>

Tel. Ext. 442

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : C-1B/604/1

17 March 1945

SUBJECT : Returns - Italian Military Personnel.

TO : Director, Land Forces Sub Commission (MSTA).

SD/92/3 (To 1)

Reference this H.Q. letter numbered as above dated 10 March 1945.

To the Return of ITI-ITI personnel, please add the following under 562 Mine Clearance Coy:

Mine Training Team (Officers and M.C.Os-Instructors) Total 30.

400/20/3 FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION.

Mine Training Pool

1526
L. P. Amy Capt.

Sir J. E. T. REYNOLDS Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
C-1 (B).

/av.
Copy to : Civil Affairs Section
(For the attn of Major REYNOLDS).

MMIA-30
FILE: *SD/92*
DATE: *18/3*

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SUBJECT: Italian Army ORBAT.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
WEL/C.

18 Mar '45.

G.S.D.
M.M.I.A.

Reference ORBAT No. 2/7 dated 9 March,
there are no comments.

[Signature]
Lt. Col.
A.D.A.W.S.
M.M.I.A.

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RVC/

[Handwritten signature]

MMIA - 'G'
FILE: 50/72
DATE: 18/3.

Subject: Nomenclature of Italian Units

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

File No SD/32

18 March 45

War Ministry

Confirming telephone conversation Majors MITSUD and

MAIOCHI.

1. It is proposed in ORBAT 2/8, to be published under ref SD/91 on 29 March, to show the titles of all units in Italian as well as English.

2. For this purpose it is important that your speechio, from which the ORBAT is compiled, shall show the official standard Italian nomenclature.

3. In order to avoid misunderstanding you are requested to impress upon all staffs, formations and units of the Italian Army, the necessity, when mentioning units and formations in official correspondence, of employing standard Italian nomenclature only, as in your speechio.

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" " Fifth Army (Rr Incr)

Major General
M.M.I.A.

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Major General
 M.M. I.A.

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Subject: Italian Army ORAT

Land Forces Sub Commission AC
(S.L.I.A.)

File No SD/ 92

17 March 45

Reference ORAT to 2/7 dated 9 March and 2nd I/c's instructions at conference on 9 March.

1. Following branches only have submitted contents of ORAT to date :-

RE		
Spec Sec	- (Category 1(C) only)	1523
SEI	- (Category 2 only)	
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2. Comments from remaining branches and comments on categories other than 1(C) and 2 by SEI and REMI respectively are required by 25 March 45.

3. These comments should

- (a) cover units in all categories sponsored by the branch concerned.
- (b) list any units known to exist but NOT appearing on the ORAT.
- (c) remark on any units excessively over or under strength, incl suggestions for action.
- (d) be in writing.

4. NIL returns are required.

5. Comments as above will be forwarded automatically within ten days of the publication of future editions of the ORAT.

L.M.I. G. G. G.

March 45.

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L. M. I. G. L. G.

Lt Col
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G2

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SUBJECT: Order of Battle No. 2/7 dated 9 March 1945.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
16 March 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

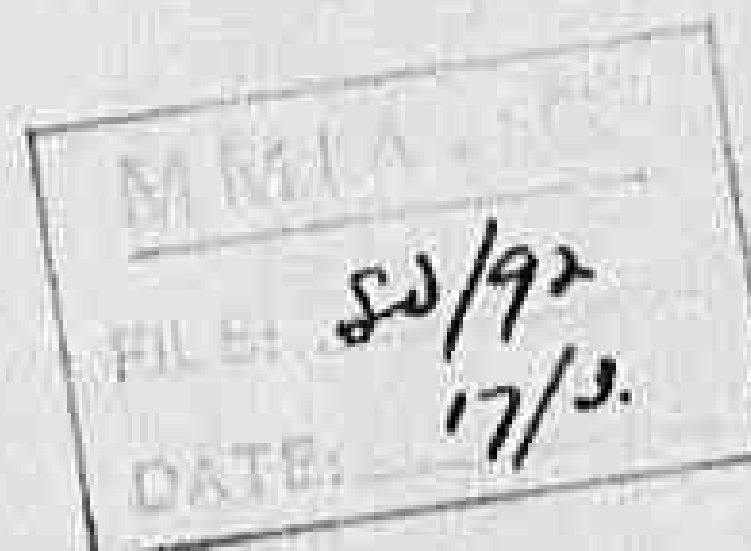
TO : G/SD

1. Clothing Depots, Barrack Stores Depots, and Repair Establishments in actual operation, but omitted from the Order of Battle are:-

- a. Bulk Barrack Stores Depots No. 12 Lecce.
- b. Bulk Barrack Stores Depots No. 14 Cagliari.
- c. Sorting Depot No. 9 Bari.
- d. Sorting Depot No. 10 Naples.
- e. Italian Salvage Depot No. 10 Naples.
- f. Italian Salvage Depot No. 11 Palermo.
- g. Italian Salvage Depot No. 12 Catanzaro.
- h. Italian Salvage Depot No. 14 Cagliari.
- i. Repair Shop No. 11 Palermo.

2. A list of the personnel employed in each of the above depots is not available in this Headquarters. Undoubtedly, it has been included in the personnel reported by the Ministry of War as assigned to other depots as listed in the Order of Battle.

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GEO. A. SHIPLEY, Lt. Col.
Q (AE)

GAS/ag

R.
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Geo Shipley
Are they final in the
at 1 E. Security letter
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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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FROM : NMIA
TO : MINISTRY OF WAR
REF NO : SD 2459

Security
Classification _____

REF SERIAL 9 OF APPX A TO TS/SD/31 OF 26 DEC 44 (x)
AFHQ HAVE GIVEN AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF 810 SERVICE
SQN FROM CATEGORY 5 ITI-ITI TO CATEGORY 3 BRI-ITI (x) 1521
CONFIRM EARLIEST YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION

Precedence _____

Authenticated G. P. Holt Major

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CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: IIV-III Guard Bns

LAND FORCED SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 40/15
14 March 45

TO : MINISTRY OF W/A

1. It is expected that in the very near future the underment 1530

1st Regimental Guard Bn
502 Gd Bn
503 Gd Bn
519 Gd Bn

will be transferred from the IIV-III Category to IIV-III. These units will keep their present numerical designation, personnel, clothing, arms, and equipment.

2. You will form three new IIV-III Guard Bns, to be known as the 525, 526, and 527th Gd Bns, at FRODORE. Target dates are as follows:-

525 Gd Bn to be formed by 8 April 45
526 Gd Bn to be formed by 10 April 45
527 Gd Bn to be formed by 15 April 45.

Report formation of units as completed.

3. To meet the required target dates, you should move the necessary officers, NCO's, specialists, housekeeping equipment, etc., and arms to FRODORE at once.

4. These Bns will be clothed in Italian enter uniforms which will be no change from present FRODORE procedure.

5. The equipment of Gd Bns from FRODORE will

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1st Regimental Guard Bn
 802 04 Bn
 803 04 Bn
 819 04 Bn

will be transferred from the IXL-III Category to III-III. These units will keep their present numerical designation, personnel, clothing, arms, and equipment.

2. You will form three new IXL-III Guard Bns, to be known as the 825, 826, and 828th Bn Bns, at FROBENBERG. Target dates are as follows:-

825 04 Bn to be formed by 5 April 45
 826 04 Bn to be formed by 10 April 45
 828 04 Bn to be formed by 15 April 45.

Report formation of units as completed.

3. To meet the required target dates, you should move the necessary officers, NCO's, specialists, housekeeping equipment, etc, and arms to FROBENBERG at once.

4. These Bns will be clothed in Italian enter uniforms which will be no change from present FROBENBERG procedure.

5. Destination and assignment of 04 Bns from FROBENBERG will be furnished you later.

M. L. A.

Major General
 M. L. A.

Internal: MA to GOC

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Asst G-4

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 391
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

CD/92

Tel. Ext. 358

14 Mar 45.

Ref: 9/89/CR

SUBJECT: Mine Clearance Companies.

TO: Land Forces Sub-Commission,
(MMA).

1. In the Order of Battle of the Italian Army it would appear that the thirty instructors (Officers and N.C.Os) have been omitted from page 19. As this would appear to affect the rations drawn by these instructors, may this be amended please, and orders given that rations will continue to be drawn by the instructors.

BB/SG

See note against
"Balance to WE" # page 57

M.M.I.A.	19/3.
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R.B. CRIPPS, Col.
CDO CA Section.

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