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Ref page 8 and 9 ORDBAT dated 9 March 1945.

1. Following depots are in existence; though omitted from a/m document.

SE	UNIT	LOCATION	WE STRENGTHS		
			O	of	Tot
✓ #02/SMRE/1	11 Bulk Supply Depot	CATANIA	3	30	33
	14 " " "	CAGLIARI	3	30	33
✓ #04/SMRE/1	14 Food Dist. Depot	CAGLIARI	2	18	20
	50 " " "	LECCE	2	18	20
	51 " " "	TARANTO	"	"	"
	52 " " "	POTENZA	"	"	"
	53 " " "	BRIIBISI	"	"	"
	54 " " "	BARIETTA	"	"	"
	55 " " "	FOGGIA	"	"	"
	56 " " "	CAMPORASSO	"	"	"
	59 " " "	CASERTA	"	"	"
	60 " " "	NOLA	"	"	"
	61 " " "	AVELLINO	"	"	"
	62 " " "	PEREVENETO	"	"	"
	63 " " "	BAIFINO	"	"	"
	65 " " "	CATANIA	"	"	"
	66 " " "	CALTANISSETTA	"	"	"
	67 " " "	COSENZA	"	"	"
	68 " " "	REGGIO CALABRIA	"	"	"
71 " " "	SASSARI	"	"	"	

2. Actual strengths, as of 9 Feb 45, for above are not known by this office.

Not shown
in SMRE Specis
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NAME	Q 13/
DATE	5/12
INITIALS	1/1

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action in need
Orbat 1673/3

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Major
D.A.D.S.

13 March 1945

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FROM LANE 121846A
TO MMIA
CR 33 BT

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REQUEST YOU FORWARD ADDITIONAL TWO ZERO COPIES YOUR SUGAR DOG SLANT
NINE TWO SLANT ONE OF ZERO NINE TO COMPLETE NORMAL DISTRIBUTION LIST
PAREN SIGNED SIGNED CITE PWGCT PAREN FOR ORBAT

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MESSAGE FORM.

FROM : MMIA
TO : AFHQ
INFO : G-3 (ORG) 15 ARMY GP
REF NO : SD 2437

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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REQUEST REPLY THIS HQ SD/92 OF 25 FEB

Precedence: ROUTINE

Authenticated L.H. England
H-CH.

INTERNAL:

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File : SD/92

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Refer 870 Combat Eng Unit. B/F 6 days

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C O P Y

FROM: 5 ARMY

TO : MTOUSA

INFO: 15 ARMY GROUP
MMIA

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S E C R E T

1. MTOUSA PX 40005 CITE NAOCOT 8 MARCH REFERS (.)
2. EMRE ORDERED THE 870 COMBAT ENVI UNIT MOVED TO SANTA MARIA (VIA CASERTA) TO THE 10 ENGR REUT DEPOT TO BE CONVERTED TO 563 MINE CLEARING COMPANY (.) SUBSEQUENT ORDER DIRECTED IT MOVE TO FRIVLI GROUP BUT UNIT HAD ALREADY GONE SOUTH (.)
3. UNIT NEVER UNDER COMMAND 5TH ARMY, BUT WAS UNDER 210 INF DIV FOR ADMINISTRATION WHILE IN ARMY AREA

*See Folio 11
on 2nd Cover*

PRECEDENCE NIL

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From : MMIA LO 54vAREA

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To : MMIA

Ref : SD 104

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Ref your 9/11/8 of 19 Jan (*) OFFICINA MOBILE FOTORETTRICISTI 1 offr
34 OR's FOGGIA employed by 205 Group RAF (*) Shown on 230 Div GREAT
as ITI-ITI

SD Dist
Action copy to: SD/92.
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*Quite correct, it
is ITI-ITI Cat A AA in the 1A contact to 2/b
employed in 1944 as it was at 1669
Phoned Bird
7/3. K.F.A.!!*

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 489081-365

AC/14601/21/PS

28 February 1945

SUBJECT : CC. RR. Strength

TO : Commanding General CC.RR.

1. Reference your 11/58 dated 25 Feb, 45.
2. It is agreed that the S.I.M. personnel need not been shown on the inclusive strength return of CC. RR. However as these men are in fact CC.RR. it is asked that information as to their numbers be included in a foot note to the return.

John W. Chapman
JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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Copy: Land Forces S/C (MMIA) ✓

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*CSI. what time personnel are with CCRR
most of 808 Bu S2/3*

MMIA	R 1/3
FILE REF	50/92
Date Recd	1/31

*K.
-43*

Subject:- 34 Compagnia Telegrafisti.

TO : 2 i/c
G.I. —

1. Reference report received from Capt. PACINI on the above named Company.

This Company is part of Category 1 (c), and under the reorganisation scheme now taking place will cease to exist in its present form. It will be broken down into small technical sections. It at present operates Italian military communications in the BARI - BRINDISI - TARANTO area.

2. This Company works with, but not for the Allies. A route (telephone) is being rehabilitated between COPONE and TARANTO, and as the route passes through various Allied test points co-operation is necessary. There are no Allied military routes south of TARANTO, these have been returned to the Italians.

3. Under the reorganisation scheme, Territorial H.Q.s already in existence, such as BARI, will be reorganised first. Within the next three weeks this Company should be broken up and reformed into its various sections. All untidy ends should then automatically cease to exist.

The matter will be watched.

Robt. Mayr.
S.O.R. Sign.

26 February 45.

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FILE REF	50/92
Date Recd	27/2/45

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FROM NMIA
TO AFHQ for G-5 (Org)
INFO G-5 Org 15 ARMY GP

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SD 2344

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

REF MY SD/92 OF 23 FEB (.) IN PARA 2 FOR US-ITI READ ITI-ITI

PRECEDENCE

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S.M. England

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SUBJECT: W.E. of 870 Combat Engns

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Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.

(M.E.I.A.)

SD/92

25 Feb 45.

AFHQ for G 3(Org)

copy to: G 3(Org) : 15 Army Group.

1. It is noticed that in Minute 1821 of Meeting 168 of AFHQ, WEC, the proposed W.E. of 870 Combat Eng Unit was withdrawn.
2. This Unit, however, is shown in Fifth Army Order of Battle AG 336.2 - 2 of 18 Feb as a ~~W.E.~~ ITI Unit with strength 1 Off 22 KM.
(V)
3. In view of 15 Army Gp. letter, G(SD & T)(US) of 11 Dec 44, will you please give status of this Unit.

tw.

INTERNAL:

M.E.

Major General.
M.E.I.A.

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Ministero della Guerra
Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigionieri
di Guerra e Rimpatriati

DIREZIONE

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M.M.I.A.
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Prospetto al Foglio del
Duc

Roma, 1 febbraio 1945

Alla LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION

A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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OGGETTO Personale dei centri alloggio n° 1 - 2 - 3 e 4.

Grid of this is that they
propose eng 7 units of
15 all tanks each - detailed
est to be variable from place
to place according to requirements

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL
AND ITALIAN P.W.
SUB COMMISSION

R O M A

In relazione alla comunicazione telefonica odierna riguardante l'autorizzazione a mantenere in vita i centri alloggio n° 1 - 2 3 e 4 e la ripartizione del personale in nuclei interscambiabile in ferme che sarà disposte quante segue:

a) - tutte il personale preposto a quei centri alloggio sarà diviso in 7 nuclei di 15 uomini ciascuno (vedi categoriae note).

b) - i 7 nuclei saranno così dislocati:

- due al centro N° 1 di Bari;	totale 30 uomini
- uno al centro " 2 di Lecce;	" 15 "
- uno al centro " 3 di Taranto;	" 15 1663

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R O M A

In relazione alla comunicazione telefonica ediziona riguardante l'autorizzazione a mantenere in vita i centri alloggio n° 1 - 2 3 e 4 e la ripartizione del personale in nuclei interscambiabile in ferie che sarà disposta quante segue:

a) - tutte il personale preposto a quei centri alloggio sarà divisa in 7 nuclei di 15 uomini ciascuno (vedi categoria 1a/12).

b) - i 7 nuclei saranno così dislocati:

- due al centro n° 1 di Bari;	totale 30 uomini
- uno al centro " 2 di Lecce;	" 15 "
- uno al centro " 3 di Taranto;	" 15 1663
- tre al centro " 4 di Napoli;	" 45 "

c) - i nuclei così costituiti possono, all'occorrenza, essere spostati da un centro all'altro a rinforzo di quelli che non possono tessere far fronte con proprie personale, al lavoro derivante da ingenti arrivi di reduci.

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO
(A. Mognorini)

F. Mognorini

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MEMORANDUM FORM

FROM: HQIA

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TO: HQIA IO SA AREA

ORIGINATOR'S NO NO 2160

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IDENTIFICATION

REFERENCE YOUR LO/7/ND OF 16 FEB (.) SER. SERIAL 4 SECTION VIII OF
APPENDIX A TO OUR ND/94 OF 22 FEB

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ROUTING - CBT

FROM: RMIA

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR

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ORIGINATOR'S NO 86 86 2356

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REFERENCE YOUR 403304/100R DATED 16 MAR (.) 1922 SERIALS 5 TO 14 BROTHEN VIII
OF APPENDIX A TO OUR 82/94 OF 22 MAR

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FROM WHIA
TO 54 AUSA
INFO WAR MINISTRY

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SD 2332

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION Confidential

FOR WHIA LO (.) REF LG/7/SD dated 16 FEB (.) GUARD PL 1 OFFER
40 ONS AGREED FOR NAME TUTORIAL HQ TO BE CARRIED IN CATEGORY
1 (e) SECTION VIII (.) SEE APPX A TO SD/94 OF 22 FEB (.) FOR
WAR MINISTRY (.) PARA 3 OF YOUR 1106/Op OF 3 FEB 45 REFERS

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AGD. fan to AG 93

AG 091.711/011 GCT-0

11 February 1945

SUBJECT: Designation of Italian Army Units - Census Return.

TO : President, Allied Commission.
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (L2A) ✓

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It is understood that Italian Army Units, in submitting Vehicle Census returns and in drawing POL, are using Italian designations which differ from the British titles. As this makes accounting impossible, you are requested to instruct the Italian Authorities that all units will use British titles in all dealings with British agencies. There is no objection to the Italian title being recorded in addition.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

"S" & T. MMIA.

Recd

File 611



Robert W. Farr
ROBERT W. FARR,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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Date Recd 12 2

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MESSAGE ----- FORM

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FROM: MMIA
TO : 54 AREA
AQ-2826

Date - Time
21 1000 Hrs.

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FOR MMIA LO (.) REFERENCE OUR AQ-2819 DATED 19 FEBRUARY
1945 (.) GENTRO ALLEGIO NO. 1 COMMANDO AUTHORIZED TO
DRAW UP TO 30 RATIONS FOR PERMANENT STAFF (.) TRANSIENT
PERSONNEL WILL BE TWO CIVILIAN RATIONS (.) ACKNOWLEDGE

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA
TO : 54 AREA
AQ- 2819

Date - Time

Feb 19

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FOR MMIA LO (.) STOP CENTRO ALLEGIO NO. 1 COMMANDO FROM
DRAWING RATIONS (.) NOTIFY THIS HEADQUARTERS WHEN ISSUE
HAS CRASHED (.) UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THIS UNIT IS NOT TO
DRAW RATIONS

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MMIA	<i>R 21</i>
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Date Recd	<i>21 21</i>

Tel.Ext. 412

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MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-1B/616/I

20 February 1945

SUBJECT : Order of Battle - Italian Army.

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TO : Director, Land Forces Sub Commission
(LFLA)

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Reference your Order of Battle of the Italian Army, forwarded under your reference G/11 dated 27 Jan 45.

Information has now been received from Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission, that the following Italian units have been passed to the disposal of the High Commissioner for War Refugees.

103 Transit Camp;
Collecting Centre, Cesano
" " Bari
" " Naples.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION.

/av.

MMIA	R. 10/2
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L. Rany P657
Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B).

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FROM: MMIA LO 54 AREA

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TO : MMIA

INFO: MMIA LO DISTHREE

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REF DISTHREE LATEST BRITI ORBAT (.) PECULIAR NEW UNITS OCCUR (.)

PLEASE CONFIRM 230 DIV ARE RESPONSIBLE ONLY FOR BRITI UNITS SHOWN

BY MMIA

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Spoke themselves
Bird. This Orbat is
useless and it
is just about it
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SUBJECT: Strength Returns.CONFIDENTIAL

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Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)SD/42
17 Feb 45.To: War Ministry (Officio Operations).

1. With reference to your letter, ref 1106/NE dated 3 Feb 1945 and M.M.I.A. letter C/11/1 of 26 Jan 1945.

Below are rulings on the queries raised:

2. Para 1. General Tarapiala (Screening Agencies)

M.M.I.A. letter, C/19 of 16 July 1944 and C/19 of 23 July 1944 authorized screening agencies with a total strength of 79 all ranks including the screening agency with 200000 since disbanded. The present total authorized strength for these agencies is 66 all ranks. Initiate action as instructed in M.M.I.A. letter C/11/1 of 26 Jan in order to bring about a reduction to 66 all ranks.

3. Para 6. Military Technicals.

It is regretted that the authorized strength of 250 all ranks cannot be increased as suggested.

4. Para 12. Centro Inform. (Screening)

It is repeated that this Unit is NOT a War Ministry responsibility. Initiate action for its disposal as instructed in M.M.I.A. C/11/1 of 26 Jan.

5. Advise this M.M.I.A. when the above instructions have been carried out.

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U.S.I.A. letter, 6/19 of 16 July 1966 and 6/19 of 13 July 1964 authorized screening agencies with a total strength of 79 all ranks including the screening agency with 20,000 since disbanded. The present total authorized strength for these agencies is 66 all ranks. Initiative action as instructed in U.S.I.A. letter 6/11/1 of 26 Jan in order to bring about a reduction to 66 all ranks.

3. PARA 6. Military Tribunal.

It is regretted that the authorized strength of 250 all ranks cannot be increased as suggested.

4. PARA 12. Centro Infante. (BENINIA).

It is repeated that this Unit is NOT a War Ministry responsibility. Initiative action for its disposal as instructed in U.S.I.A. 6/11/6 of 26 Jan.

5. Advise this H.Q. when the above instructions have been carried out.

END.

TEST:

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Major General.
U.S.I.A.

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Subject:- Presidio Coy - BARI.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
LO/SD
16 Feb 45.

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

1. The Presidio Coy, BARI has been stripped of all its unauthorised attachments by Territorial HQ on orders received from the Ministry of War.

2. There still remains the real nucleus of the Presidio Coy, strength 40 OR's. This Coy is under the direct command of Territorial HQ, and administered by them. Its functions are as follows :-

- (a) To maintain, and work all horses drawn vehs held by Territorial HQ (incl Commissariate).
- (b) To provide guards, as necessary, for warehouses, vehs, dumps, ry waggons, as required by MMIA, BARI.
- (c) To provide loading and unloading parties for vehs, carts etc for sups and clothing as required by MMIA, BARI.
- (d) To provide all night labour for the above, as civilians are not then available.

3. It is earnestly requested that this coy may be authorised as Presidio Coy, under Comd, Territorial HQ, at a strength of 40 OR's. Their full essential employment is confirmed by this Office.

J.G.Bird Major.
Senior MMIA LO.
C/o HQ 54 Area.

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Translation

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From: M of N.

To: M M A.

SD

Ref: ACSSO4/ROGA

Date: 11. Feb. 45

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Subject: Staff of accommodation centres 715 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Ref. telephone conversation to date in respect of the authority to keep accommodation centres 715 1, 2, 3 and 4 and the distribution of personnel formed into groups which could be interchangeable, it is mentioned that the following will be put into practice:-

a) All the personnel posted to these accommodation centres will be divided into 7 groups of 15 men each (various ranks and categories)

b) The 7 groups will be located as under:-

- 2 groups in 715 1 Centre Bari	- Total - 30 men
- 1 " " 715 2 " Lecce	" 15 "
- 1 " " 715 3 " Taranto	" 15 "
- 3 " " 715 4 " Naples	" 45 "

c) Formed in such a way, the groups could, if required, be moved from one centre to another to reinforce those which cannot cope with the amount of work caused by the large number of returns in arrival.

WP

(Sgd) H. MANNORINI.

S. P. FADAR.

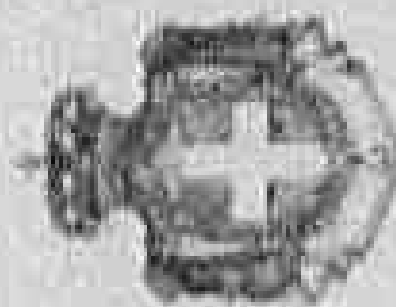
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and App A to SD 94 1653
of Feb (Section VIII)

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUP COMMISSION
 A.C. (N.M.I.A.)
 R O M A

Roma, 1° febbraio 1945

Proposta al Signor del
 Gen. M. S.

OGGETTO: Personale dei centri alleggio n° 1 - 2 - 3 e 4.

e, per concessione:

ALLA WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL
 AND ITALIAN P.W.
 SUP COMMISSION

R O M A

In relazione alla comunicazione telefonica ediziana riguardante l'autorizzazione a mantenere in vita i centri alleggio n° 1 - 2 - 3 e 4 e la ripartizione del personale in nuclei intercambiabile in fermo che sarà disposto quanto segue:

- a) - tutte il personale preposto a quei centri alleggio sarà divisa in 7 nuclei di 15 uomini ciascuno; (gradi e categorie varie)
- b) - i 7 nuclei saranno così dislocati:
- due al centro n° 1 di Bard; totale 30 uomini
 - due al centro n° 2 di Lecce; " 15 "

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Oggetto: Personale dei centri alleggio n° 1 - 2 - 3 e 4.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL
AND ITALIAN P.M.
SUB COMMISSION

R C P A

In relazione alla comunicazione telegrafica odierna riguardante l'auterizzazione a mantenere in vita i centri alleggio n° 1 - 2 - 3 e 4 e la ripartizione del personale in nuclei interseguibile in forme che sarà disposto quanto segue:

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- tre al centro " 4 di Napoli;	" 45 "
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c) - i nuclei così costituiti passano, all'eccezione, essere stati da un centro all'altro a rinforzo di quelli che non possono far fronte del proprio personale, al lavoro derivante da urgenti arrivi di reduci.

IL GENERALE
CAPO DELL'UFFICIO AUTOMOLC
(A. Mornerini)

F. Mornerini

LIATISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC (MMIA)
% AC SICILY REGION HQ
APO 394

No.1383

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Strength State.

TO : G.O.C., Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA), ROME

Reference your G/11/1 dated 2 September 44, please
find enclosed herewith semi-monthly strength state of Italian
Armed Forces in Sicily.

Homer E Long
HOMER E LONG
Major QMC
L O Sicily

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STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN FORCES IN SICILY AS AT 3 FEBRUARY 1945

M A G A Z I N O	Italian Army	Italian Navy	Air Forces	Carabi- nieri	Totale
Magazzino Vivari Palermo	5.335	715	572	3.586	10.308
" " Catania	4.608	3.816	387	3.041	11.852
" " Caltanissetta	1.821	-	-	1.605	3.426
	11.764	4.531	959	8.332	25.587

N.B. - Sono state distribuite le seguenti razioni per i richiamati :

Magazzino Vivari-Palermo { Distretto Palermo - n° 950
" Trapani - " 1000

Magazzino Vivari Catania { Distretto Catania - n° 1650
" Ragusa - " 6000
" Siracusa - " 1000

Magazz.Viv.Caltanissetta (Distretto Caltanissetta - 3° 81

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SUBJECT: A.O. Strength Return.

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 80/92
12 Feb 48.

Ministry of War.

Att for your info is copy of latest A.O. comparative
Strength Return as at 9 Feb.

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Heard
for Major General, *Paul*
M. M. I. A.

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TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

Ref.: 402608/REGH

TO : MMIA

Date: 8 Feb 45

SUBJECT: 1, 2, 3 and 4 Accommodation Centres - Total Strength -
102 men of all ranks.

Ref confidential letter SD/22/1 dated 31 Jan 45 in regards to Military personnel, all ranks, of 1, 2, 3 and 4 Accommodation Centres.

These Accommodation Centres (originally named Transit and Isolation Camps) were formed in Feb 44 in order to accommodate the first batches of repatriated ex POW.

In fact, it was considered essential, not only to take the necessary hygienic and prophylactic measures to avoid the spreading of infectious diseases which might have been brought over by these men arriving from overseas, but also classify them, carry out the necessary operations in respect of payment of their unsettled accounts as well as carry out the registration work in order to transfer these repatriated men, either returning them to civilian life or sending them to units of the new Italian army.

The work carried out by these centres, although not excessive, has been, up to the present, considerable if we consider that on approximately 45,000 repatriated men registered (it is to be estimated that the total figure, which has been ascertained upon, will be much greater) over half of that number have been accommodated, registered and transferred by these centres and it is foreseen that their work will increase in future because the bulk of repatriation will be greater.

At present, in order to solve this so important problem considering the moral, social and political points of views which will affect largely the future life of the whole country and although being aware of the necessities which have made the Allied Authorities consider as civilians all men belonging to the Italian Army and who return from POW Camps, I submit for your kind consideration several points created by such classification of civilians carried out by the whole of the organization actually collecting these veterans.

Also, bearing in mind that such difficulties would increase considerably in the carrying out of the foreseen organization of the near future and for which I had planned a project which has been forwarded on 8th Jan 45 in letter 401452 addressed to War Material Disposal and Italian P.W. Sub Commission.

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In fact, it was considered essential to take hygienic and prophylactic measures to avoid the spreading of infectious diseases which might have been brought over by these men arriving from overseas, but also classify them, carry out the necessary operations in respect of payment of their unsettled accounts as well as carry out the registration work in order to transfer these repatriated men, either returning them to civilian life or sending them to units of the new Italian army.

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At present, in order to solve this so important problem considering the moral, social and political points of views which will affect largely the future life of the whole country and although being aware of the necessities which have made the Allied Authorities consider as civilians all men belonging to the Italian Army and who return from POW Camps, I submit for your kind consideration several points created by such classification of civilians carried out by the whole of the organization actually collecting these veterans.

Also, bearing in mind that such difficulties would increase considerably in the carrying out of the foreseen organization of the near future and for which I had planned a project which has been forwarded on 8th Jan 45 in letter 401452 addressed to War Material Disposal and Italian P.W. Sub Commission.

In fact, setting aside the procedure laid down by Geneva Conventions which consider the POW as a soldier, the Italian law stipulates that POWs should cease to be considered as soldiers not from the time they return from POW camp but only when they are discharged from the army and have :- after registration and the necessary admin duties have been carried out.

The idea of considering POWs returning home from POW camps as civilians dangerously affects their morale since they see themselves deprived of all rights to which they were entitled and consequently affects Italy's obligations to the Allies :- these being :- to re-employ in combat units to fight side by side with the Allies or in auxiliary units depending from the Allies, most of the men returning from POW camps.

This, exactly what compels me to forward to you for your kind consideration a question which refers mostly to the nation, and which becomes a political, order and discipline problem which can only be solved by military organizations. The duties to receive, register, administer, ration and transfer for further employment these POWs cannot in fact, be given to civilian organizations which, in practice, are absolutely unsuitable for such duties.

Therefore, I trust that, while waiting for your decisions which you may take as regard to the question of considering ex POWs as soldiers, authority be given that duties of receiving and administering these ex POWs be carried out by military staff and organizations

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Moreover, I beg MMIA that the orders contained in the letter to which I refer to and dealing with the disbandment of these accommodation centres, be cancelled, please.

/s/ CASATI

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Translation

SD/92P 83

From: - M of W.
To: - M M 14.

Ref. 402608/KKK
Date: 8th Feb. 45.

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Subject: 1, 2, 3 & 4 Accommodation Centres - Total strength: -
102 men of all ranks.

Ref. confidential letter DS 92/1 dated 31st Jan 45
in respect of the military personnel of all ranks of 1, 2, 3 & 4 Accommodation
Centres.

These Accommodation Centres (originally named
Transit & Isolation Camps) were formed in Feb 45 in order to accommodate
the first batches of repatriated ex p.o.w.

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to take the necessary hygiene and prophylactic measures to avoid the
spreading of infectious diseases which might have been brought over
by these men arriving from overseas, but also classify these men,
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these returns.

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Moreover, I beg to mention that the notes contained in the letter to which I refer to and dealing with the disbandment of these accommodation centres, be cancelled, please.

St. 20300.

(Sgd) CASATI.

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Transcript

Roma 8 Febbraio 1945

Ministero della Guerra
Uff. Aut. Reduci Prigionieri di Guerra
e Rimpatriati

ALLA LAND FORCES SUR COMMISSION
A.C. (M.E.I.A.)

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- E O M A -

HO 2608
RFOE Magg.

Per
Ricevuto al Regio del
Dir.

OGGETTO 1 - 2 - 3 e 4 Centri alleggio. Perla complessiva 102 militari
di ogni grado.

1-2-3-4 Bell'Uglio Can. per la loro tenuta di 102 Reduci

MI riferisce al foglio DS/92/1 (riservato) di setesta Sottosegretario,
in data 31 Gennaio U.S., e relative al personale militare di ogni grado ad-
dette ai centri alleggio n.1 - 2 - 3 e 4.

I centri alleggio in esatte (inizialmente denominati campi senta e centu-
maia), furono istituiti nel febbraio 1944 per avere la possibilità di accoglie-
re i primi scaglieri di prigionieri che rimpatriavano.

Era indispensabile infatti non solo di prevenire, con opportune misure di i-
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tare a compimento il complesso lavoro di carattere matricolare per poter anis-
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Ora, per cercare di addivenire alla soluzione di un problema di tanta importan- za e che per i suoi riflessi morali, sociali e politici interferisce tanto note-

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Ministero della Guerra

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DIREZIONE

R. U. F.

S. G.

Allegato

OGGETTO

Risposta al. Figlio del
D. G.

M. G.

tuzione dello studio per il ricevimento dei reduci, codesta M. L. I. A., riconoscendo la figura giuridica del reduce come militare, voglia autorizzare che le operazioni inerenti al ricevimento e trattamento dei reduci siano assolate da personale e da organizzazioni militari.

Prego altresì codesta Sottocommissione di voler esaminare l'opportunità di soprassedere all'ordine della lettera qui mi sono riferito e riguardante lo scioglimento dei centri alloggio n. 1 - 2 - 3 e 4.

IL MINISTRO

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IL MINISTRO

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Translation

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From Min of War
To M.M.I.H.

Ref No. 2033-5/11
222-5-2

for information

9 Feb 1945

Subject: Strength situation of Military H.Q.
of Calabria from Jan 9th 45.

(NT)

Further to letter 202.765/11 of the 7th inst, which concerns para 4) of attached letter, the following is pointed out:

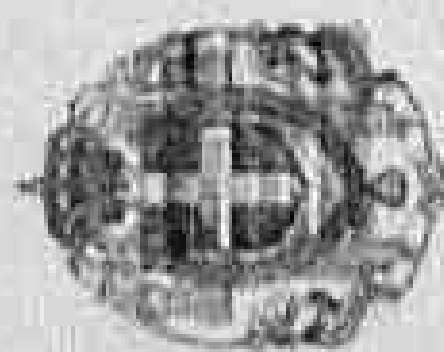
- 1) The Calabria Military H.Q. has confirmed that the strength situation of the H.Q. as of the 9th January 45, was as reported on pages 1 and 52 of the table forwarded by S.M.R.E., i.e. a total of 43 officers and 119 O.R.
- 2) The figure reported by the officer of M.M.I.H. was derived from the accounts of General H.Q. which include, for administrative purposes, not only the above personnel, but also all men on duty with combat H.Q., service directorates and military tribunals which, as is known, are shown in the strength report as separate items for each service.

R.P.

(L. Carrarini)

D.F.

This seems quite sound
Sgt. as far as I can
check. It is an inter-
case of conflicting strength
returns which can
be very misleading
H.P.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

M.L./mm

Cabinetto

Ord. 203375
222-5-2

Roma, 9 febbraio 1945

Riposta al disp. del

Dir. 56 15

Oggetto: Situazione forze del Comando Militare della Calabria alla da-

to del 9 gennaio c.a. -

*strength situation of Mil. Hq. of Calabria from Jan. 9*LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. - (M.M.I.A.)
(rifer. SD/92/1 del 31.1.1945)
R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

P.M. 3800

A seguito foglio 202765/11 del 7 corrente, per quanto si riferisce al capo 40) dell'allegato al foglio stesso, si precisa quanto segue:

1)- Il Comando Militare della Calabria ha confermato che la situazione di forze del Comando stesso alla data del 9 gennaio era quella riportata alle pagine 1 e 32 dello specchio trasmesso dallo S.M.H.E. e cioè complessivamente 43 ufficiali e 119 truppe.

2)- La cifra segnalata dall'ufficiale di codesta M.M.I.A. è stata desunta dal giornale di contabilità del quartier generale nel quale è compreso, agli effetti amministrativi, oltre che il personale di cui sopra, anche tutti gli ele-

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d'ordine
IL CAPO D'ISCRIZIONE

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TRANSLATION

From M of W

Ref 202055/II

To MIA

Date 7 2 45

Subject: Territorial Mil Organizations

I beg to refer to the remarks contained in your SD/52/1 dated 31st ult regarding the strength situation of certain Territorial units.

The explanations requested are to be found in the enclosure.

1. As regards the data regarding the strength of the Calabria Military Command and that of the Bari District I consider it necessary, before taking any measures in this particular instance, to put forward some suggestions which affect the whole of the complicated problem of the Territorial Organizations which will have to be developed in the whole of the national territory.

It would be superfluous to point out to you that the personnel which is to form the organization in the North (Territorial Military Command, Dista, Depote) must necessarily be pre-organized so that they can give a full and timely output immediately on arrival at their stations. It is essential to install in the areas as and when they are liberated the full authority of the military administration in order to make a decisive use of all the moral and material energies of the area in the prosecution of the war effort in accordance with the directives issued by the Allied Authorities from time to time. The action to be carried out ranges from welfare and administration of personnel to recovery of material, repair and maintenance of real estate and other property of the Military Administration.

The formation of the basic elements of such a Territorial organization cannot be improvised on the spur of the moment; it must be carefully pre-arranged from now and this work must be carried out urgently bearing in mind the accelerated rhythm of events.

2. MIA is well aware of this necessity and, with a clear **1843**, has issued the directives for the Territorial Org. contained in letters T.S./s/12 dated 20/10/44, and T.S./s/12 dated 26/12/44

This Ministry has based its arrangements for the Org. in the North particularly on the information contained in para 3 of letter TS/G/12 dated

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(a) reformation of territorial military commands, dists and depots at present authorised by you in order to bring them within the W3 stipulated in letter IS/G/12 dated 25/12/44.

(b) Military personnel which will become surplus to said establishment as a result of this reformation will be employed for the formation of similar units to be sent to other northern areas. Naturally all personnel of said units will be selected and, if necessary, partially substituted so that it may be fully qualified for the duties to be entrusted to them. For training purposes they will be attached until the time comes for their transfer to the north, to a similar unit (Military Territorial Cord Dist or Depots) now functioning in liberated Italy.

(c) Some detachment of Distts and Depots will have to be concerned as soon as possible to Army Zones in accordance with para 5 of letter IS/G/12 of 26/12/44. We are awaiting your approval to carry out this urgent measure which will enable us to solve many regrettable situations arisen particularly in regard to the military and adm position of personnel of certain areas which, though liberated for some months now, have as yet been unable to establish contact with the Militar Adm.

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(d) In carrying out the above, the maximum strength allowed by MILA - a total of 2,045 for all the units formed or to be formed - will on no account be exceeded. In this respect I would point out that on the 9 Jan, that is to say even before the carrying out of the reduction in WEs of various units now stipulated, the total strengths of said units (including T delegation 6th Detachment of the Territorial Comd, C.E.R.S.A. and C.E.R.S.T.I.) was 1,800 incl ofrs, NCOs and men. It is therefore necessary to prepare about 200 rfts.

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(e) Arrangements are being made for the formation of the ~~6th~~ to be sent to Sardinia (in accordance with para 2, sub para c of letter TS/G/12 of 30/10/44) since the present military Comd of Sardinia is leaving the Island. In this respect I will submit, as soon as possible detailed proposals in accordance with verbal suggestion made to you by HE Gen Chatrian.

3. While organization work is now being carried out on the basis of your directives certain paras of the letter referred to seem to hint at a possible amendment of said directive and this would seriously affect the whole of the organization now in course.

To be more precise:

(a) Calabria Mil Comd should be transformed into a dist. I must point out that this measure would entail the disbandment of a Territorial Mil Comd which is perfectly suitable for an immediate employment in the North owing to the selection of its personnel and its long practice and experience and which on the other hand would not be suitable for the formation of an efficient dist. since its personnel have not been trained in the new duties. Furthermore it would also be necessary to provide sooner or later for the formation with new personnel of the disbanded Territorial Mil Comd which will be necessary in the North.

(b) Military personnel surplus to the new WE of each unit would have to be ~~assigned~~ to the nearest HA-III or US-ITI Rft Camp instead of being employed in accordance with para 3, sub para d of the two above mentioned letters, in spite of the fact that the maximum limit of the total strength stipulated at 2045 has not yet been reached.

4. Bearing in mind all the above, before carrying out the instrs ^{obtained in} the letter referred to, I must earnestly request MILA to kindly confirm or otherwise the above directives. Should your reply be in the affirmative, I would also be glad to know your point of view regarding a programme outlined in para 2 which, if ~~it were~~ without further delay as a basis for the making out of the

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The Minister

A. CASATI

Handwritten notes:
 Para 4 heading should be reduced to conform to "H.Q. will be a function book" (not like the one explained by P. 21)
 all these various offices to be kept.
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TRANSLATION

Enclosure 1 to letter 202765/II dated 7/2/45

EXPLANATIONS REGARDING STRENGTH RETURN AS AT 9 Jan 45
(Re letter SD/92/1 dated 31/1/45)

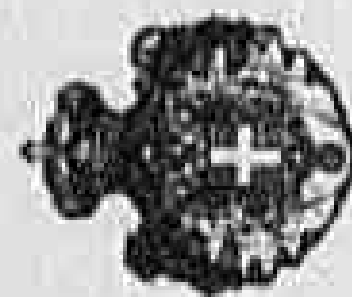
1. Introduction : New WEs stipulated in TS/G/12 of 26/12/44 for Military Territorial Comd, depots and dists were only published by this Ministry towards the middle of Jan and consequently strength return as at the 9 Jan could not possibly show variations resulting from said WE.
2. Page 3 (c) Dis of Bari : Bearing in mind the remarks contained in para 1 Military Personnel on strength of this Dist correspond to the total established by the old WEs (ten units). Reduction to new WE will be carried out as soon as possible.
3. Page 3 (a) Bari (interrogating commission for POWs and Repatriates from the Balkans) : Have a total establishment of 59 units all included in the strength allowed for the M of W.
Orders have been issued that all men surplus to said establishment be made available for employment as rfts.
4. Page 1 (b) Territorial Comds (Calabria Mil Comd) : telegraphic explanation have been asked for in respect of the difference existing between the actual situation and the figures contained in the strength returns as 3/1/45.

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Translation relative to G-2 (2)
(p. 5)



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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N° 202765/E
222-8-16 alleg. 1

O G G E T T O: Organizzazione militare territoriale. -
P.M. 3800, 7 Febbraio 1945

ALLA LAND FORCES SUE COMMISSION - A.C. - M.M.I.A. - ROMA -
(Rif. foglio SD/92/1 del 31/1/1945)

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gennaio c.a. -

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to il complesso problema della organizzazione territoriale che
dovrà essere attuata in tutto il territorio nazionale.

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del caso specifico, precisare alcune questioni che ~~reggono~~ tut-
to il complesso problema della organizzazione territoriale che
dovrà essere attuata in tutto il territorio nazionale.

Ritengo superfluo richiamare l'attenzione di codesta M.M.I.A.
sulla necessità che gli elementi facenti parte di tale organizza-
zione e destinati al Nord (Comandi militari territoriali, distret-
ti, depositi) siano in grado di entrare in funzione nelle locali-
tà per ciascuno previste, con tempestività e pieno rendimento. Si
tratta infatti di instaurare nelle zone che saranno meno a meno
liberate la piena autorità dell'amministrazione militare allo sco-
po di convogliare decisamente tutte le energie morali e materiali
delle zone stesse, verso la prosecuzione dello sforzo bellico se-
condo le direttive di volta in volta emanate dalle autorità allea-
te. Tale azione va dal campo amministrativo assistenziale del per-
sonale, e quello del recupero materiali, ripristino e conservazio-
ne beni mobili ed immobili di pertinenza dell'amministrazione mi-
litare.

La costituzione degli elementi fondamentali di tale organizza-
zione territoriale non può essere improvvisata da un momento all'-
l'altro ma deve essere accuratamente predisposta fino ad ora, e
predisposta con urgenza dato il ritmo incalzante degli avvenimenti.

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2°) - Di tali necessità codesta M.M.I.A., si è ben resa conto, con chiara visione ed, in relazione alle stesse, ha diramato le direttive per l'organizzazione territoriale contenute nei fogli T.S./g/12 del 20/10/1944 e T.S./g/12 del 26/12/1944.

Elementi concreti sui quali si basa questo Ministero per predisporre l'organizzazione per il Nord sono in particolare quelli contenuti al paragrafo 3) del foglio T.S./g/12 del 30/10/1944.

Tenendo conto di queste direttive è in corso di attuazione il seguente programma:

a) - trasformazione dei comandi militari territoriali, dei distretti e dei depositi attualmente autorizzati da codesta M.M.I.A., per portarli agli organici stabiliti dal foglio T.S./g/12 del 26/12/1944:-

In particolare i comandi militari della Calabria e della Sardegna, destinati al Nord come prevede il foglio predetto al capo 1°, lettera c), assumeranno gli organici tipo "A" previsti da codesta M.M.I.A. per Torino e Bolzano;

b) - il personale militare che si rende esuberante agli stessi Enti in conseguenza della trasformazione, sarà impiegato per la costituzione di nuclei degli analoghi organi da dislocare successivamente nelle sedi al Nord. Naturalmente in tali nuclei il personale sarà selezionato e, se del caso, parzialmente sostituito in modo che sia in grado di espletare la specifica funzione prevista per ciascun elemento; sarà affiancato per addestramento, finché al momento del trasferimento al Nord, presso un analogo Ente (Comando Militare Territoriale, distretto, deposito) ora in funzione nell'Italia liberata;

c) - alcuni nuclei di distretti e depositi dovrebbero trasferirsi quanto prima nella zona delle armate secondo quanto è previsto dal capo 5 del foglio T.S./g/12 del 26 dicembre 1944: si attende il benestare di codesta M.M.I.A.

no;

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- d) - nella attuazione di quanto sopra non sarà in alcun modo superato il limite massimo di forza stabilito da codesta M.M.I.A. complessivamente in 2045 unità per tutti gli Enti costituiti o da costituire. A tale riguardo ritengo opportuno mettere in evidenza che alla data del 9 gennaio, prima ancora, cioè, dell'attuazione delle riduzioni dei vari Enti agli organici ora stabiliti, la forza complessiva degli Enti stessi (ivi comprese anche Delegazioni "T", Nucleo VI Comando Militare Territoriale, C.E.R.-S.A. e C.E.R.S.E.T.I.) ammontava a circa 1800 tra ufficiali, sottufficiali e truppe. Esiste pertanto la ne-

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cessità di provvedere all'approntamento di circa 200 completi.

e)- è in corso di definizione l'organico per il comando da distaccare in Sardegna (a sensi del foglio TS/g/12 del 30/10/44 capo 2) lettera a)) allorchè l'attuale comando militare della Sardegna lascerà l'Isola; al riguardo mi riservo di inoltrare, quanto prima, dettagliate proposte e seguito di quanto già prospettato verbalmente a codesta M.M.I.A. da S.E. il Generale CHATRIAN.-

3°)- Mentre il lavoro di organizzazione è ormai avviato sulla traccia delle direttive di codesta M.M.I.A., alcuni elementi contenuti nella lettera in riferimento sembra debbano preludere ad un cambiamento delle direttive stesse, ciò che importerebbe grave danno a tutta l'organizzazione in corso.

Precisamente :

a)- il Comando Militare della Calabria dovrebbe essere trasformato in un distretto. Metto in evidenza che il provvedimento, mentre porterebbe allo scioglimento di un Comando Militare territoriale perfettamente preparato ad un immediato impiego al Nord per affiatamento del personale e per lunga pratica di funzionamento, non potrebbe consentire la costituzione di un distretto efficiente, data la impreparazione del personale allo specifico nuovo incarico. Inoltre si dovrebbe, egualmente, provvedere o prima o poi a ricostituire con nuovo personale il distolto Comando Militare territoriale occorrente per il Nord;

b)- il personale militare eccedente al nuovo organico di ciascun ente dovrebbe essere trasferito al più vicino deposito completi ER - ITI od US - ITI anzichè essere impiegato conforme a quanto stabilito da codesta M.M.I.A. al capo 3 - d) dei due fogli precitati; ciò nonostante che il limite massimo della

biamento delle direttive stesse, ciò che importa di far sapere a tutta l'organizzazione in corso.

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- 4°)- Tenuto conto di quanto sopra, prima di far luogo ai provvedimenti disposti col foglio in riferimento, prego vivamente codesta M.M.I. di volermi confermare o meno le precedenti direttive. In caso affermativo gradirei anche conoscere il punto di vista di codesta M.M.I. circa il programma di cui al capo 2°) che, se approvato, servirà senz'altro di traccia per la compilazione del progetto completo dell'organizzazione per il Nord richiesto con urgenza col foglio S/942 del 3 corrente.



IL MINISTRO

Adami

Allegato 1 al foglio n° 202765/E del 8.2.45

CHIARIMENTI CIRCA SPECCHIO SITUAZIONE FORZA ALLA DATA DEL 9/1/C.A.

(Riferimento S.D. 32/1 del 31/1/1945)

1°) - Premessa: I nuovi organici stabiliti dalla T.S./G/12 del 26 dicembre, per i comandi militari territoriali, depositi e distretti, sono stati diramati da questo Ministero a metà gennaio e pertanto, la situazione forze al 9 Gennaio non poteva in alcun modo tener conto degli organici stessi.

2°) - Pagina 3 (c) - Distretto di Bari: tenuto conto di quanto detto al capo 1°) il personale militare in forza al distretto corrisponde al totale stabilito dai vecchi organici (10 unità). Sarà provveduto ad attuare al più presto la trasformazione secondo i nuovi organici.

3°) - Pagina 3 (g) - Bari (Comm. Interr. p.g. e reduci Balcania): Comprendono complessivamente in organico 59 u. inclusi nella forza stabilita per il Ministero della Guerra.

E' stato disposto che gli elementi eccedenti l'organico predetto vengano dati disponibili per l'impiego quali complementi.

4°) - Pagina 1 (b) - Comandi Territoriali (Comando Militare Calabria). Sono stati chiesti telegraficamente chiarimenti circa la mancata risponderza tra la situazione reale e i dati riportati nella situazione forza al 9 Gennaio.

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Roma 5/12/1945

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE
DI PALERMO

P.M. 72

G
Sdqr. y
Rapporto al. Foglio 56/02
del 25 gennaio 1945

Segnalazione mensile personale fluttuante mese di
dicembre 1944.-

OGGETTO

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)

S E D E

Gli originali della segnalazione in oggetto non sono pervenuti allo scrivente, benchè trasmessi da codesto Comando sin dal 3 gennaio con foglio 56/02.-

Allo scopo di evitare il ripetersi di tali ritardi, si prega di inoltrare le predette segnalazioni tramite il locale Ufficio di Collegamento della MMIA, consegnando i documenti in busta chiusa, con il seguente indirizzo:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)



Ministro della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

- Ufficio Situazioni -

A. M. B. 24/24 /SA d. Sped.

Allegato

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)

R O M A

per l'inoltro

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale dei Servizi di Commissariato Militare
- Ufficio Situazioni -

(contiene segnalazioni interessanti la M.M.I.A.)

p. IL MINISTRO

X *celia*

Signale
Walle *your help for*
local *arrange*

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TO: AQ
SDCapt Pacini - Report No.14
dated 15 January 1945

1. Report follows:

Subject: Centro Alloggio Numero 1 (formerly Campo Sosta e Contumacia)

Location: Approximately 1 1/2 kms from Bari.

Personnel: 8 Officers

35 EM

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Comdg. O.: A Lt. Col. whose name I didn't get.

This is a reception center for men coming from overseas - the Balkans, Africa, India etc. They are washed, disinfected, examined and disposed of as soon as possible to their ultimate destinations. Men are generally not held for over 5 days.

At the time of the inspection, there were only 30 transients in the camp. It is equipped to handle as many as 880 and have the necessary casermaggio equipment for this purpose. The number in the camp fluctuates strongly but I could not get evidence of very large numbers ever being there except once when they had over 1000 for a period of a few days. This information was made necessary by the fact that the C.O. insisted that he needed more personnel, whereas the situation is precisely the reverse.

Henry J. Pacini

2. Is this an authorized unit? On which strength return?

3. Report action taken by 1 February 1945.

Letter to subcommittee 8/11/45

CPK

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26 January 1945.

Seen by Col. Koss

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SD 192 79
 Capt Fox - Report No. 4
 dated 11 Jan 1945

TO: SD

1. Extract of report.

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"4. Quartiere Generale of Military HQ of Calabria

O.C. Capt ROTUNDO, Beniamino
 2 i/c Lt FIOCCO, Virgilio

STRENGTH

	EFF	ATCHD	TOT	WE	NO	O/STR	REMARKS
Offs	92	-	92	85	7		Spare offs 2
OR's	142	13	155	119	23		POW (Italian Interrogation 8 Signalers 3 Offs 4 POW interrogation)

Military Hospital RAZZA

5. O.C. Lt/Col MARCHESI, Agostino
 2 i/c Maj PASCERI, Domenico

STRENGTHStaff

	Offs	OR's
Authorized W.E.	---	134
Effective (incl 2 sisters Red Cross)	21	97
Present	21	107
Attached for temporary duty	2	6
On leave	2	163

Patients

	Offs	OR's
No of beds	24	350
Patients	6	70

The hospital OC was away on leave. Maj Pasceri made an excellent substitute, and gave me all the information I asked for and showed me all over the hospital. This is a modern building extremely well equipped with modern apparatus. I was impressed by the cleanliness of the whole hospital and the efficiency of the staff. The regulations governing the length of stay of patients was understood, and was being precisely carried out. There was one patient nearing 60 days, whom they could not move. Maj Pasceri was most perturbed that no application forms had yet been received. Upon inquiry at the Military HQ later, I found that these forms had arrived that morning, and would be distributed to the hospitals forthwith.

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dated 11 Jan 1945

A large amount of necessities such as towels - py-jamas - handkerchiefs - cups - forks, etc were in very short supply. A number of the items are sitting in the medical depot in Catanzaro, and I propose to authorize an issue of certain necessary articles. For example, there were 2,300 towels in this depot. I have already ordered 1,500 to be moved to Naples. I now propose to issue 400 of the balance to this hospital. I will submit a detailed list of the articles authorized by me for this hospital, for approval by MMIA before actual issue.

6. 31 Coy Sussistenza

STRENGTH

Effective
Present
On leave

OFF's

52
27
8

OR's

353
244
57

SNARE still 9 Jan.

414

*Spoke Al P. oval
391: this strength
includes all local
Sussistenza Cap. etc. and
as Sussistenza is well within
doing no action is necessary.*

O.C. Capt de LAMURA, Mario

The O.C. was not present when the unit was visited, and I was only able to see an NCO.

There was a small amount of clothing in stock. This stock, though small, is unnecessary, and I have accordingly issued instructions for its return to the Commissariato stores.

The following had arrived from Naples this morning for this unit:

Greatcoats, wool, green (dyed)
short, (macinaw type) 107
Allied boots (repaired) pairs 1633

This arrival is difficult to understand when there are over 400 pairs of Allied boots in the Commissariato depot today, of which I have ordered 350 to Naples as per Appendix "B" of Report No. 3. Greatcoats are in short supply, it is true, but these can be turned out quickly by the repair depot here in Catanzaro. Today, I sent 202 repairable greatcoats from the CC.RR to the repair depot, and these will be ready for issue within 10 or 14 days. If it were not for laundering, they would be ready in 5 or 6 days.

9. Ref Para 6 of this report, I omitted to mention that the Allied boots in the Commissariato depot are supposed to be for exchange purposes while boots are repaired. I examined several boots and they were quite unused, and had never been issued for this purpose. In any event, it is not possible to repair 400 pairs at one time.

Capt Fox - Report No. 4
dated 11 Jan 1945

10. 5 Inf Regt AOSTA

This Bn is due to move to Sicily on 15 Jan 45. For information, is inclosed the strength state as at 8 Jan 44. See Appendix "D".

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G.C. Fox, Capt."

2. Report action by 25 January 1945.

Para 4 letter written to Washington 2/11/1

Para 6. No action (see note) 29/1

(K)
GPR

23 January 1945.

Appendix "D" attached hereto.

seen by Col Kern

30th Aug
depart

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CO REGGIMENTO FANTERIA "AOSTA"
Comandante Battaglione

SITUAZIONE DELLA FORZA DEL BATTAGLIONE ALLA DATA DELL'8 GENNAIO 1945							
Reparto	Sede	FORZA A RUOLO	FORZA ASSENTE	FORZA PRESENTE			
		UFF. ISOLATI.	GRUPPI UFF.	SOTTUFF.	TRUPPA UFF.	SOTTUFF.	GRUPPA
Comp. Comando Un commando		11	23	59	=	1	74
1 ^a Compagnia	"	7	47	266	1	7	75
2 ^a Compagnia	Reggio Cal.	3	86	424	=	34	59
3 ^a Compagnia	Cosentino	3	35	173	=	4	45
4 ^a Compagnia	Cesardvallari	3	36	97	=	1	23
Dist. 2 ^a Sp.	Grotone	3	33	190	-	8	38
Totale		30	265	1209	1	55	247
						29	210
							962

LT 1ST COL. COMMANDING
(KPTOMN OZISOTIA)

over



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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 091.711/077 GGT-0

SUBJECT: Italian Army Order of Battle.

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

8 February 1945

1. A request has been received for the following amendments to be made to Order of Battle published under file reference G/11, dated 27 January 1945:

Add

HQ Italian Railway Inspectorate	Rome	RAAC	)	Op Comd
HQ No 1 Italian Railway Engineer Group	Rome	RAAC	)	AFHQ

Amend locations and command

1	Italian Railway Engineer Bn to read Monsummano	5th Army)	
2	Italian Railway Engineer Bn to read Ardenza	5th Army)	Op
3	Italian Railway Engineer Bn to read Pesa	5th Army)	Comd
13	Italian Railway Engineer Bn to read Riccione	8th Army)	AFHQ

2. You are requested to make the necessary amendment in the next issue.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

R. H. FIFE
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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Subject:- 541 Inf Regt.
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Liaison Officer
 Land Forces Sub Comm.
 A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
 C/o 54 Area. CMF.
 LO/5/SD
 7 Feb 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.).

Ref your G/11/8 dated 19 Jan 45.

1. HQ 541 Inf Regt, strength 21 Offrs, 77 G.R.'s, location ORTONA took over from Delegazione 'A' the administration of tps in that area, and at present has under Adm. Comd. the following units :-

Unit	Location	Strength	
		Offrs	G.R.'s
(a) Comando Presidio	VASTO	4	25
(b) 1 Bn. 404 (141 Coy)	ORTONA	5	167
(c) " " " (142 Coy)	CALFOMARINO	5	198
(d) 3 Bn 410 Pnr	ROCCA S. GIOVANNI	11	51
(e) 17 Engr Coy	HESCARA	5	167
(f) 562 Mine Clearing Coy	"	5	155
(g) 82 Ambulance Coy	"	3	23
(h) 1 Reparto Movieri	TORINA di SANGRO	1	22
(i) 2 " "	ORTONA	1	36
(j) 1 Pl, 3 Bn, 410 Pnr	TREMITI Islands	2	27
(k) 535 Special Gd Coy	CAMPOTASSO	6	104
(l) Posto Distribuzione Viveri	VASTO	1	7
(m) Ufficio Stralcio 515 Regt	TERMOLI	2	6

2. HQ 541 Inf Regt has hitherto been considered BRITI, but is now also omitted from MMIA G/11 of 27 Jan 45.

3. May a clarification of their present status and employment please be given.

JGB/jmr

J.G. Bird Major,
 Senior MMIA LO.
 C/o HQ 54 Area.

Spoke Bird
 and explained that
 have been warned to
 provide personnel for proposed
 dining school. Also came on as
 usual till further instructions
 from 14/1/45.

JGB
 15/2

R's
 B/F 7 days
 10/11/45

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA
TO MMIA

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SD/51

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REFER PARA 3 YOUR 0/10/8 (0/11/8 actually) OF 19 JAN (*)
1009 RPT 1009 GT COY AT LUCERA STRENGTH FIVE AND ONE HUNDRED
TWENTY FIVE

ACTION COPY : SD/92/3

Also spoke Graham
AFHQ who thinks
there are a private
army 19/2

Spoke Bird who is
finding out what they are
doing with a view to getting
this logue outfit regularized
15/2

R/F 4 bangs to
CUT O.

16/2
Bird phoned; there is 1628 work
for 412 Ord Veh Pk (Portish) on some
sort of "ammunition work" spoke
Graham who says Ord AFHQ are going
to get them regularized. N.F.A. 20/4/6

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Translation *
 From M of W
 to MIA
 Ref. 1106/OP
 Date - 3 Feb. 45
 Letter 17/2
 Strength situation

50/92/1 750

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In Answer to letter G/11/1 dated 26 Jan. 45.

to confirm and to precise what has already been made clear by MAJOR MAJOCCHI in his conversation with Capt. YEARSLEY on the 29-1-45 we inform you that:

Page 1 (B) Territorial Commands

* It is necessary to specify to which command the remark is referring to. We do not understand which are the 5 establishments which must have a strength of 15 men each which are being referred to

G/11/1 with paper sheet

Page 1 - 3 Territorial Commands - Districts - Depots.

with effect from the situation dated 24 Jan 45 all these commands will be shown in Category 1626 according to authorized establishment in letter TS/6/12 dated 26 Dec, the excess of strength, which will be used for the formation of the northern Commands and will therefore be kept within the limits of the maximum strength authorized for the whole of the Territorial Commands 2045 men will be shown in Category 6 c. This may be arranged for these 15 men to be shown in Cat 1 under each heading as a surplus.

same lines as their duties in the Italian commands will require

This according to orders in letter TS/G/12 dated 30 of Oct. (Para 3) and T6/G/12 dated 26 Dec (Headings 3 and 5)

3 Garrison units Page 4 (E).

Orders have been given to the BARI and NAPLES territorial commands for the disbandment of their Garrison coys.

4 Page 4 (F) Welfare and Information offices Rest camps.

Beside the 27 welfare and information offices, the following isolation and rest camps were formed at the end of Feb 1944: BARI, BRINDISI, TARANTO and NAPLES with the purposes to carry out quarantine and other medical measures in favour of the repatriated personnel from overseas. Later, those camps took the name of billeting centres. The personnel for the functioning of those camps (50 for NAPLES and 20 men for the each of other camps) are being armed rationed from the Medical service as shown on periodical situation reports that the Commissariat Gen. Directorate used to make for rationing purposes.

In the future situations this personnel will also be shown in the situation reports sent by S.M. Medical service.

The isolation and rest camp of CASTELLANA and of ORIA are detachment of the centres of BARI and

BRINDISI The one of S. ANDREA is temporarily agree
 authorized by MMIA with ORDER of BATTLE n° 2/6
 dated 9 jan. 45.

5 Page 4 (G) miscellaneous.

Dealing with the ~~Pot~~ interrogation commissions
 for P of W and repatriated personnel which are
 depending from the M of W. in which establishment
 they are included (total 54 men) but attached to
 territorial commands where they are performing their
 duties

We are carrying out the revisions of those commissions
 to reduce them to within the authorized limits

In the next ^{relaying} situation they will not be shown
 separately but in the inclusive strength of the P of W
 and attached to the various Commands. good NFC

6 Page 9. 35-37 ~~holding tribunals~~

* It is ^{correct} exact that the number of authorized
 personnel is limited at 250 men of all ranks. It
 has however been requested by the Ministry of
 war in letter 202100/11 dated 1st feb 45 for the
 strength to be ^{22-1/5/6} increased to 400 for reasons explained
 in same letter. Regret NOT agreed
written 17/2 001

7 Page 28 Security and Guard Units.

Orders have been issued to the competent Commands
 so that they will ~~change~~ ^{bring} the strength of the P/W force
 to within the authorized limits after contacts have

been made for approval by local M.M.I.D. (Good)

8. Page 28 Units of the CALABRIA Mil Command attached to Ex. 11/5 AOSTA.

have been dealt with in letter 10400/ORD dated 31 Jan 45 in answer to another letter from M.M.I.D. on this subject.

9. Page 29 Provincial ~~sections~~ ^{censorship} sections.

are within the authorized limits, in the next situation report will be shown in category 5 and included in the thought of the S.M.G. information office. (1A1 and S. 2) (agreed)

10-11 Page 36 and 39 Admitted in Hospital and admitted from SICILY and SARDEGNA.

The difference in total between "Absent from units because of admittance in Hospital" and admitted in same Hospital is due to the facts that in the last figure for Sardegna and Sicily the following are included

The patients of the C.C.R. shown as absent from their unit ⁱⁿ ~~in~~ category 7 page 41 and following 62 pages.

The soldiers of SICILY and SARDEGNA who have been admitted to hospital during their leave on the Islands.

The soldiers of the contingent sent on leave in SICILY or SARDEGNA and who have fallen sick during journey or leave (agreed)

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12 Page 25. * Remount reinforcement service center of BORNOVA ^{with 17/2} ^{Bornova}

The Remount reinforcement center of BORNOVA ^{NOR} depends from the MOFA and has no connection with the Agriculture and Forest Ministry, and is included among the strength authorized for the remount and veterinary services of SAROEENA. + comes with the ^{pre-established} ^{for said service} will be shown in next situation report in category

1 with Remount and veterinary services.

13. ^{Supp} Officers rest Camp of the ROME Territorial Command

As regards to the personnel employed at TORT BOCCIA, where ~~the~~ officers awaiting trial are ~~also~~ lodged. ~~It is stated~~ ^{It is stated} this personnel do not draw military rations and the transfer of this personnel to the justice administration, as civilians, those will not therefore be shown on the next strength situation reports.

R Mansford

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No, this is the information
vet outfit which the 2/16 has
instructed will be removed.
Letter to MOFA 17/2 saying NO
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
UFFICIO OPERAZIONI **URGENTE**

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febbraio 1945

Allegati

Risposta al foglio N.

OGGETTO: Situazione forze.

del



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

= R O M A =

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Ufficio C.A.

ALLO S.M.R.E. - Uff. Ordinamento

= P.M. 3800 =

= S E D E =

Risposta foglio G/11/1 del 26 gennaio 1945.

A conferma e a maggior precisazione di quanto ha già chia-
rito il magg. MAJOCCHI nel colloquio avuto col cap. **1681** **MAJOCCHI**
il 29 U.S., si comunica:

1. - Pag. 1 (E) - Comandi territoriali -

OGGETTO: Situazione forza.

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rito il magg. MAJOCCHI nel colloquio avuto col cap. ¹⁶³¹ ~~HARSLEY~~
il 29 N.S., si comunica:

1. - Pag. 1 (B) - Comandi territoriali -

Cocorre precisare meglio a quali comandi territoriali
si riferisce il rilievo. - Non si comprende quali siano i
5 organi che dovrebbero avere la forza di 15 militari cia-
scuno, cui si allude.

2. - Pag. 1 - 3 - Comandi territoriali - Distretti - Depositi -

A partire dalla situazione al 24 gennaio c.a. tutti
questi comandi saranno riportati - in cat. 1^a - in base
all'organico autorizzato con la TS/G/12 del 26 dicembre. -
L'eccedenza, che dovrà servire per la costituzione dei co-
mandi del Nord e che sarà comunque contenuta entro il li-

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mite massimo di forza previsto per l'organizzazione in tutto il territorio nazionale (2045 unità), sarà segna-
ta in cat. 6 c). - Questo personale, attualmente in ec-
cedenza, si addestrerà nell'espletamento delle stesse
mansioni che dovrà svolgere presso gli Enti che saranno
ricostituiti al Nord.

Ciò è conforme alle direttive di cui ai fogli TS/G/12
del 30 ottobre (capo 3°) e TS/G/12 del 26 dicembre (ca-
pi 3° e 5°). -

3. - Pag. 4 (E) - Reparti presidiari -

Sono state impartite disposizioni ai Comandi terri-
toriali di Bari e Napoli per lo scioglimento delle ri-
spettive compagnie presidiarie. -

4. - Pag. 4 (F) - Uff. assist. e informazioni - Campi sosta -

Oltre ai 27 uffici assistenza e informazioni, furo-
no costituiti fin dal febbraio 1944, 1 campo sosta e con-
tumacia di Bari, Brindisi, Taranto e Napoli, col compito
di provvedere alle operazioni di bonifica contumaciale ed
alle altre misure igieniche a favore dei reduci da oltre-
mare. Successivamente, tali campi assunsero la denominazio-
ne di centro alloggio. Il personale per il funzionamento
di ciascun campo (50 uomini per Napoli e 20 per ciascuno

ricostituiti al Nord.

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3. - Pag. 4 (E) - Reparti presidiari -

Sono state impartite disposizioni ai Comandi territoriali di Bari e Napoli per lo scioglimento delle rispettive compagnie presidiarie.-

4. - Pag. 4 (P) - Uff. assist. e informazioni - Campi sosta -

Oltre ai 27 uffici assistenza e informazioni, furono costituiti fin dal febbraio 1944, i campi sosta e contumacia di Bari, Brindisi, Taranto e Napoli, col compito di provvedere alle operazioni di bonifica contumaciale ed alle altre misure igieniche a favore dei reduci da oltre-mare. Successivamente, tali campi assunsero la denominazione di centro alloggio. Il personale per il funzionamento di ciascun campo (50 uomini per Napoli e 20 per ciascuno degli altri campi) fuise di razione militare a carico del servizio di sanità, come risulta dalle situazioni di forza che la Direz. Gen. Comm. trasmette periodicamente alla M.M.I.A. ai fini del vettovagliamento.

Nelle prossime situazioni, lo stesso personale sarà segnato, anche nelle situazioni trasmesse da questo S.M., sotto il servizio di sanità.

I campi sosta e contumacia di Castellana e di Oria

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sono distaccamenti dei centri di Bari e di Brindisi.-
Quello di S.Andrea è "temporeaneamente" autorizzato dalla
M.M.I.A., come risulta dal "order of battle" No 2/6 ri-
ferito al 9 gennaio 1945.-

5. - Pag. 4 (G) - Vari -

Trattasi delle commissioni interrogatrici P.G. e re-
guci da oltremare, che dipendono dal Ministero della Guer-
ra nel cui organico sono comprese (complessivamente 59
uomini), ma che sono aggregate ai Comandi territoriali,
presso cui svolgono le loro mansioni.

E' in corso la revisione di dette commissioni per ri-
durle nei limiti degli organici stabiliti.-

Nelle prossime situazioni esse non figureranno più
separatamente (il personale sarà portato "effettivo" pres-
so il M.G. ed "aggregato" presso i vari Comandi territoriali
11).-

6. - Pag. 9-35-37 - Tribunali Militari -

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servizi di giustizia sia stata limitata a 250 militari di
ogni grado.- E' stata però inoltrata dal M.G. col foglio

202800/11 in data 1 febbraio 1945 la richiesta di aumen-

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7. - Pag. 28 - Reparti sicurezza e guardia -

Sono state impartite disposizioni ai comandi interessati perchè provvedano, per quanto è possibile, a portare la forza di tutti i btg. Guardia dipendenti nei limiti degli organici stabiliti, previ accordi coi comandi locali della M.K.I.A.-

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8. - Pag. 28 - Reparti del Cco mil. Calabria in aggregazione

all'ex II/5 "Aosta" -

E' stato riferito a parte col foglio 1040C/Ord. in data 31 gennaio 1945, in risposta ad altro foglio della M.M.I.A. sullo stesso oggetto.

9. - Pag. 29 - Sezioni provinciali censura -

Sono nei limiti autorizzati. - Con la prossima situazione saranno segnate nella cat. 5^a e comprese nella forza autorizzata dell'uff. informaz. dello S.M.G. (I.A.I. and S.F.). -

10. - 11. - Pag. 36 e pag. 39 - Assenti per ricovero in ospedali e ricoverati della Sicilia e Sardegna -

La differenza riscontrata nei totali Sicilia e Sardegna, fra "assenti dai reparti per ricovero in ospedale" e "ricoverati negli ospedali stessi" deriva dal fatto che, in quest'ultima cifra, sono compresi anche :
- i ricoverati dell'arma dei CC.RR., figuranti come assenti dai loro reparti, riportati nella cat. 7^a, a pag. 41 e seguenti;

- i militari della Sicilia e della Sardegna annalatisi durante il periodo della loro licenza nell'isola;

la forza autorizzata dell'uff. informaz. dello S.M.G.
(I.A.I. and S.P.).-

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- i militari, già in continente e inviati in licenza in Sicilia e Sardegna, e ammaliati durante il viaggio o durante la licenza.

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12. - Pag. 38 - Centro rif. quadrupedi Bonorva -

Il centro rifornimento quadrupedi di Bonorva dipende dal Ministero della Guerra e non ha alcun rapporto col Ministero Agricoltura e Foreste. - Esso è compreso tra gli enti del servizio ippico e veterinario autorizzati per la Sardegna e rientra nei limiti di forza stabiliti per il servizio stesso. -

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Sarà riportato, nelle prossime situazioni, in cat. I^a col servizio ippica e veterinaria.-

13. - Pag. 13 - Campo sosta uff. del Cdo Territoriale Roma -

Riguarda il personale adibito per i servizi del Forte Boccea, ove sono alloggiati gli ufficiali in attesa di giudizio.- Il personale non preleva razioni viveri militare ed è in corso di definizione il passaggio del personale stesso, come civile, all'amministrazione della giustizia.-

Esso, pertanto, non figurerà più nelle prossime situazioni.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Alessandro Santi -



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Subject:- Stallion Depots.

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

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AS/2
February, 45.

To:- Ministry of War

copy to Agricultural Sub Commission, A.C.

SD/92/1

1. On the Order of Battle as at 9 Jan 45, forwarded by you to this H.Q. there are shown two Stallion Depots namely:-

S. MARIA CAPUA. V.
CASSINI.

2. On the enclosure forwarded with letter No 71/ST of the 15th Jan 45 are given the following additional Depots, AREZZO, FOGGIA, CATANIA.

3. As from the 15th February all Depots mentioned in paras 1 and 2 above will cease to be carried on the strength of the Italian Army and will not receive military rations. Personnel relieved will be reassigned to an authorized unit of the Italian Army.

4. Confirm to this H.Q. that the above instructions have been carried out.

5. It is presumed that these Depots will pass to the control of the Ministry of Agriculture.

6. At Appendix "A" is S.M. of Veterinary and Remount Services authorized for inclusion in Category I, administration section of Italian Army.

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Copy to:- G MIA
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CLAYTON P. KERR, Col.
For Major General.
M.M.I.A.

Notice for
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Appendix "A" to our letter
A-2 dated 1 Feb., 45.

VETERINARY AND REMOUNT SERVICES

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS.

UNIT.	W.S.		NO. OF UNITS FORMED.	TOTAL.	
	Offrs.	O.R.s.		Offrs.	O.R.s.
Bacteriological Laboratory.	3	3	1	3	3
Remount Depot.	8	34	3 1/2	28	119
Area Vet. Stn.	1	2	7	7	14
Vet. Hospitals. Nos. 212, 103, 110, 130, 211.	5	24	5	25	470
TOTAL.	17	63	16 1/2	63	606
Vet. Staff on 11 Territorial H.Q.s				22	-
Vet. Staff at War Ministry and S.M.R.C.				12	9
Reserves.			TOTAL	97	615
				8	30
			TOTAL	105	645

Total ceiling allowed 750 all ranks.

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SD/92/1

SUBJECT: Strength Return -
Units u/c A.C.

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

C/13/1
28 JAN 15

TO : Minister of War.

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Herewith copy of latest A.C. comparative Strength Return,
completed as at 24 Jan, fwd for your info.

Copys SD/50

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Stearns 1615
Major General *Capt*
M.F.I.A. 1616

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SUBJECT: Repatriated Personnel.Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.E.I.A.)

SD/92/1 ←

21 Jan 45.

To: Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub Com, A.C.

1. As an emergency measure in order to prevent the spread of infectious disease among repatriated personnel (arriving from the BALKANS, AFRICA, INDIA etc) MMIA has maintained 4 detachments of Italian Army medical personnel at BARI, LECCE, TARANTO and NAPLES.

2. This work is not a military responsibility; it should be taken over and run by civilian personnel.

3. The present strengths of the detachments are as follows and their work consists of examining, washing and disinfecting repatriated personnel and routing them to their ultimate destinations:

				<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs.</u>
BARI	....	....	....	7	13
NAPLES	....	....	....	6	44
LECCE	....	....	....	8	9
TARANTO	...	....	....	6	9
				<u>27</u>	<u>75</u>
					TOTAL 103 ALL RANKS.

4. Orders are being issued to the Italian War Ministry to return this personnel to its authorized duty.

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Major General.
M.E.I.A.

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SUBJECT: Strength Returns.

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

SD/32/1 ←

31 Jan 45.

To : War Ministry.

Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Centro Allog. TOTAL STRENGTH 102 All Banks.

1. During a discussion on the 29 Jan between Capt. YEAKLEY and Major MAJUCCHI regarding MMIA letter C/11 dated 26 Jan concerning the above Units, it transpired that these are actually Medical personnel part of 9 Sezione Sanita (or San disinfezione).

2. Detachments of personnel from the above Medical units were authorised by MMIA as an emergency measure, to guard against the spread of infectious disease from personnel arriving from overseas, no authorisation for the formation of separate units such as have been formed has been given by MMIA.

3. An explanation is required as to why these units were not shown in your strength state under Medical Section of Part 1 Administration in which their parent formation is contained, and as to why they were formed and designated without MMIA authority.

4. On reviewing the duties being carried out by these centres it is decided that it is not an Army responsibility to handle repatriated personnel who are actually civilians, and this should be carried out by the Italian Civil Government in connection with the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission, A.C.

5. The military personnel will be returned to their parent Medical formation and shown as such in future strength returns.

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Major General.
M.E.I.A.

Int copies:

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C/11.
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SUBJECT: Unit Discrepancy Strength Return dated 9 Jan. 45.

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Lead Force Sub Com, A.C.
(U.S. I.I.)21 Jan 45
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To: War Ministry.

1. Further to this HQ letter 6/11/45 of the 26 Jan on the above subject, the following points arise as a result of recent visits made by an officer from this HQ to the units mentioned below.

2. PAGE 1(2) DISTRICT 41 BAL.

The strength of the above HQ shown in your state is 9 officers and 1 other rank, the actual strength as a result of a visit on 14 January was found to be 8 officers 2 specialists and approximately 100 civilians. The authorized strength of a Class 2 District HQ vide this HQ letter 7/8/45 of 26 Dec 1944 is 6 officers and 60 civilians.

3. PAGE 1(2) VANU (Gen. Interv. 2.6a. re: Balcauda)

In our letter under reference you were requested to have 5 officers and 3 other ranks, shown in your state as the strength of the above unit, to the nearest BAL-IT/US-IT Reinforcement Depot. It was apparent, however, that the actual strength is 6 officers (incl Col. GURILLI VASIO) and 10 other ranks.

4. PAGE 1(2) Comado Territoriali (Cda VII SALARSA)

The strength of the above Headquarters is shown in your state as 43 officers and 90 other ranks. We find the actual strength to be 47 officers and 142 other ranks.

5. It is obvious from the above examples that the situation as regards strength shown in your return bears little relation to the actual position in the units, and no attempt is being made to keep units within their authorized U.I. strength.

6. You will take immediate action as follows in order to regularize the above units.

7. PAGE 2. The surplus military personnel will be despatched forthwith to the nearest reinforcement depot and the civilian

3. Para 3(b) VMA Scen. Intern. L.A. subject: Personnel

In our letter under reference you were requested to save 5 officers and 3 other ranks, shown in your state as the strength of the above unit, to the nearest BML-IT/US-IT Reinforcement Depot. It now appears, however, that the actual strength is 8 officers (incl Col. GABRIEL LAMAS) and 10 other ranks.

4. Para 1(2) Comand. Territorial (see 111 SALABU)

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7. Para 2. The surplus military personnel will be despatched forthwith to the nearest BML-IT/US-IT Reinforcement Depot and the civilian personnel adjusted to conform with authorized strength.

Para 3. As instructed in letter under reference.

Para 4. This HQ, now redundant, will be reduced to conform with the U.S. of a Military District and will be informed of proposed future placement in North Italy vide T/12 of 26 Dec. Surplus personnel will be disposed of as per para 3 above.

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Major General,
U.S. I.A.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC (MMIA)
78 AC SICILY REGION HQ
APO 394

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No. 1025

29 January 1945

SUBJECT: Strength state

TO : C.O.C. Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) Rome

1. Reference your C/11/1 dated 2 Sept 44, please find
inclosed herewith, semi-monthly strength state of Italian Armed
Forces in Sicily.

James E. Long
JAMES E. LONG
MAJOR GEN
L O Sicily

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	Italian Army	Italian Navy	Air Forces	Garib- olani	MOBILE
Messina	5034	715	572	4997	10373
" "	440	3602	403	2854	11277
" "	1352	—	—	1490	2352
	10842	4316	975	2341	24507

N.B. - Sono state distribuite le seguenti missioni per i richiama:

(Sibiretti) Messina - res. 5000
 " " Catania - " 1000
 " " Sirensa - " 1500

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FROM: FREEDOM SIGNED SAC

TO : 5 ARMY

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INFO: MMIA
15 ARMY GROUP

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OUR FX 90898 OF 24 JAN IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS (.) CIN
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FROM: FREEDOM SIGNED SAC

TO : 5 ARMY

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INFO: MMIA
15 ARMY GROUP

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FROM : CG AAFSCMTO
TO : MMIA

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WAITING HERE FOR YOUR RESPONSE TO OUR MESSAGE IF -8081
CONCERNING ITALIAN TROOPS OF FIFTEENTH ARTILLERY BATTALION
CMA 404 REGIMENT

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FROM: 5 ARMY

TO : MMIA

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INFO: C.G. MTOUSA
C.G. 15 ARMY GROUP
C.O. PMS

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REFERENCE OUR CABLE 2322 AND PENBASE CABLE 1144, FURTHER
INVESTIGATION 1900 ITALIAN MILITARY THOUGHT TO BE AVAILABLE
FOR ASSIGNMENT AND IN FORWARD STAGING AREAS ACCOUNTED FOR
BY 560 REPLACEMENTS HELD AT LEGHORN AT TIME IN QUESTION
AND SOME 400 ITALIAN TROOPS BEING FED AT 210 DIVISION
STAGING AREAS (.) THE LATTER ARE THOSE GOING TO AND
COMING FROM LEAVE AND HOSPITALIZATION AND ARE CARRIED
ON PERSONNEL STRENGTH OF UNITS AND THEREFORE CANNOT BE
ADDED TO THE 12381 ON OUR STATUS REPORT AS OF 18 JANUARY (.)
FIFTH ARMY STRENGTH AS OF 18 JANUARY WAS 12381

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SUBJECT: Campo Sosta Officiali - Forte Boccea-Roma.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALCOM (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/15/11
30 January 1945.

TO : Ministry of War.

1. Reference your M 293/C of 27 Jan. 45 and attached indent 124 of 10 Jan. 45 from Campo Sosta Officiali.
2. This HQ has no information of this unit.
3. Kindly supply full particulars of category and authorized strength of the unit, and the authority by which it exists.

Michael May

RTM WAREHAM, Major
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

RTM/sg

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Inter-Office Memorandum

From: MEDICAL

30 Jan 45

To: 'G'
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1. There are two omissions of medical units in Order of Battle published on 27 Jan 45.

- (a) 152 Medical Sect. under command 210 Div. Cat. US-ITI
(b) 92 Field Hosp. " " 8th Army Cat. ITI-ITI (Cat. 5)

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Wrong, they are both
included in Cat 1 - ITI-ITI sec
of latest ORBAT

H. G. Hynes Jr.

Major,
R.A.D.E.S.

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NIMIA

Regarding 92 Fd Hosp Cat 1 is the only place
for ITI-ITI Med Services

9/9 am wrong what about
Squad SP1967 of 19 Dec 44

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Unit 1605
Have instruction,
later classified as ITI-ITI
by 21K, you were informed.
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TO: Director, Defense Research

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LAM: MONSIEUR SUB-COM. S.O.

(M.M.I.A.)

File No. 8/11/12

26 Jan 48

TO: MR. KIMMEL

1. The following points are noticed from your 11-monthly strength return dated 9 Jan. Will you please take action forthwith to rectify as follows.

Page 1(B) Commando Territorial

The only screening agencies authorized are 5 in number 15 all ranks each. Will you please therefore explain the high figures shown and see that a reduction is effected at the earliest possible moment.

Page 3. Territorial HQs, Districts and Depots.

Will you please in future show each Territorial HQ, District and Depot as authorized against R.E. vide this HQ 18/1/48 of 15 December.

It was agreed that you could implement to the full total of 2045 all ranks and in order to check up easily to see that this figure is not exceeded will you please mark clearly as, for example:- Will HQ GALAMBA become Territorial HQ GALAMBA?

Page 4(E) Reg. Personnel

These should be incorporated into the Territorial HQ 18 mentioned above.

Page 4(F) UFF. A.S. 3 IMP. 3 CAPPI COSTA

As you know 17 Information Centres of 3 all ranks were authorized, please see that this is rigidly complied with. It is not understood, particularly why HAFIS, BANI, ORLA, LECOR and THERVO are so overstretched. Surplus personnel should be despatched forthwith to nearest HQ-17L/US-17I Depot.

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The only screening agencies authorized are 3 in number 19 all ranks each. Will you please therefore explain the high figures shown and see that a reduction is effected at the earliest possible moment.

Page 3. Territorial Hqs, Districts and Depots.

Will you please in future show each Territorial Hq, District and Depot as authorized against P.S. vide this HQ 15/12 of 38 December.

It was agreed that you could implement to the full total of 2045 all ranks and in order to check up easily to see that this figure is not exceeded will you please mark clearly as, for example:- Will HQ CALAMULA become Territorial Hq CALAMULA?

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Page 4(2) Rep PRELIMINARY

These should be incorporated into the Territorial HQs as mentioned above.

Page 4(2) OFF. ADM. & INVR. & COMPT. CONT.

As you know 27 Information Centres of 3 all ranks were authorized, please see that this is rigidly complied with. It is not understood, particularly why NAFMS, BARI, OLLA, LEON and TIRANNO are so overstrength. Surplus personnel should be despatched forthwith to nearest BR-171/US-171 Depot.

Page 4(2) VARI

It is not understood why BARI and NAFMS should have these large P.S. Centres if these are really necessary they should be found from I.A.I. units authorized in this HQ 15/12/31 of 38 Dec. In this connection the five officers and three ORs at CALAMULA should be moved to BR-171/US-171 Reinforcement Depot forthwith.

Page 5 Servizio Giustizia Mil (Tribunale Militare)

Page 55

Page 37

Only 250 all ranks have been authorized therefore you are required to reduce to that number.

Page 56 Reparti Sicurezza E Guardia

Will you please see that all 5d men are reduced to the authorized P.S. of 800 all ranks. As many 5d men are understrength it will be quite easy to effect the exchange. Allied Hqs are being notified that you are doing this and if any tasks cannot be performed by the 5d men, P.S. strength the SA Commander should

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notify his senior Allied HQ in order that a transfer of a whole Coy from another HQ may be effected if necessary.

Page 20 Rep Provisonamento Aggregati al Comando Militare Calabria

This type of unit is not authorized and will not be formed and in this connection will you please confirm that you have moved the 16 offrs and 400 other ranks surplus to 11/8 Inf Regt from GALLARU to ANTONI Camp as ordered in MIA 50/46 of 25 Jan.

Page 27 Serione Provinciale Censura

These Censor Units must be kept rigidly to the authorized strength as shown in MIA letter 58/50/31 of 26 Dec.

Page 56 Totale Generale Sicilia

Totale Generale Sicilia col 3 and 4 shows 4 offrs and 245 GAs in hospital and yet under Ricoverati "in Hospital" col 17 and 18 "attached for rations" you show 6 offrs and 293 GAs. Will you please explain the difference.

Page 59 Totale Sardegna

Totale Sardegna col 3 and 4 shows 13 offrs and 572 GAs in hospital and yet under Ricoverati "in Hospital" col 17 and 18 "attached for rations" you show 28 offrs and 456 GAs. Will you please explain this difference also.

Page 54 Parte 6 Complementi Centro rifoni undrapedi

This unit is the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture not the Ministry of War. Will you please therefore take steps to hand over present duties to civilians and have the 6 offrs and 13 GAs moved to CIVILIANO for malester program.

Page 33 Cdo, Gerrit, Roma Campo Costa Official

War Ministry has repeatedly been informed that Gerrit Camp cannot be authorized. Will you please therefore explain the existence of the above unit of 6 offrs 20 GAs and have this personnel moved to CIVILIANO Base Art Depot as reinforcements as soon

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Page 39 Totale Generale Similia

Totale Generale Sicilia col 3 and 4 shows 4 offrs and 246 GAs in hospital and yet under Ricoverti "in Hospital" col 17 and 18 "attached for rations" you show 6 offrs and 233 GAs. Will you please explain the difference.

Page 39 Totale Sardegna

Totale Sardegna col 3 and 4 shows 13 offrs and 272 GAs in hospital and yet under Ricoverti "in Hospital" col 17 and 18 "attached for rations" you show 23 offrs and 446 GAs. Will you please explain this difference also.

Page 39 Parte 3 Complementi Centro Rifoni Andrupedi

This unit is the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture set the Ministry of War. Will you please therefore take steps to hand over present duties to civilians and have the 6 offrs and 13 GAs moved to CIVILIAN for miloteer programs.

Page 39 Cdo, Corrit, Roma Campo Costa Ufficiali

War Ministry has repeatedly been informed that Transit Camps cannot be authorized. Will you please therefore explain the existence of the above unit of 6 offrs 23 GAs and have this personnel moved to CIVILIAN Base Mt Depot as reinforcements as soon as possible.

Completion of transfers of personnel ordered above will be effected forthwith and reports submitted to this HQ giving details of personnel so transferred.

Internal: A/A
S/T
MOT
22/53

Major General
M. G. J. A.

Adm. J. A.

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Italian Units

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
G/11
24 January 1945

TO : AFHQ Att: G-3 Org.
G-4 (A)
AG Ops.

1. Letter Hq. Fifth Army, Subject "Reorganization of Italian Units" file AG 320-2 dated 24 Dec. 44 has been studied by MMIA, and approval of the proposed reorganization is recommended. The proposed reorganization is similar to the organization now in effect for US-III units under control of PBS, and is in accord with recommendation previously made by MMIA.
2. Column "R" (On hand) of Annex 4, does not correctly state the quantities of material now on hand with Fifth Army US-III units. It is known that there are substantial quantities on hand in addition to those stated.
3. Many of the items requested are available in Italian stocks. Maximum use should be made of this equipment before approving issue of any U.S. equipment.
4. A notation has been made opposite each item of Annex 4, of the Fifth Army letter to show:
 - A:- An Italian item or an Italian substitute exists. In some cases the exact quantity available depends on the quantity already issued to the Fifth Army. See para. 2 above.
 - B:- An Italian substitute is not known.
 - C:- Items that are not recommended.
5. It is recommended:
 - (a) A reply be made to Fifth Army as set forth in the draft inclosed. (Incl. #1)
 - (b) That items marked B, be analyzed for availability from theater stocks, and items not available be submitted as a project for S.D. approval.

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CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

WML/r1
2 Incls. - No. 1 - Draft of 1st. Ind.
- No. 2 - Annex 4 of Fifth Army Ltr. (for AFHQ only)
Copy to: Hq. Fifth Army

D R A F T

1st. Ind.
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS, A. P. O. #512, U. S. Army
23 January 1945.

To: Headquarters Fifth Army A. P. O. #464, U. S. Army, through:
Commanding General, MPOUSA, A. P. O. #512, U. S. Army.

1. Authority is granted to reorganize Italian troops (US-IFI) under the jurisdiction of Fifth Army as requested in para. 2, letter Hq. Fifth Army, Subject "Reorganization of Italian Units" file AG 320-Z dated 24 Dec. 44.
2. Provisional T/O and E's (Inclosures 1 to 15 of Annex 2 of reference letter) are approved except as noted in para 3 below.
3. Maximum use will be made of Italian equipment. U. S. nomenclature used in Tables of Equipment is for information only, and approval granted herewith is for Italian equipment which will be used in lieu of the stated U.S. item.
4. Supply of equipment will be in accordance with established procedures. Italian units will requisition on the Italian War Ministry through the 210 Italian Division. Requisitions will state "Authorized Allowance", "On hand" and "Balance due". A copy of each requisition will be furnished to MMIA Liaison Officer, Fifth Army.
5. MMIA will be responsible for making available all items that can be supplied from Italian stocks.
6. Requisitioned items that cannot be supplied from Italian stocks, or for which a suitable substitute is not available in Italian stocks, will be referred by MMIA to G-4 (A) of this Hq.

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From : AFHQ signed SAC

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To : 5 Army

Info : MMIA. 15 ARMY GROUP.

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Ref : FX 90893

Your 4275 of 23 Jan refers (*) Veterinary hospitals are in the USA
ITI Corps (Cat?) and were never considered as ITI - ITI units (*)
Para acknowledgment of the above will NOT affect the ceiling of 14,000
in view of present strength figures of 13381

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LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)
2 AC SICILY REGION HQ
APO 29A

No 1269

20 January 1945

SUBJECT: Strength State

TO : G.O.C. Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) Rome

G/11/1

24/1

1. Reference your G/11/1 dated 2 Sept 44, please find inclosed herewith, semi-monthly strength state of Italian Armed Forces in Sicily.

Hon *Edwin J. Indent*
HOMER E. LONG
Major QMC
L O Sicily

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CONFIDENTIAL CASE OF UNITED STATES IN JULY AND 10 JANUARY 1945

MAO x 4 4 1 N O	Italian Army	Italian Navy	Italian Air Forces	Carabinieri	TOTAL
Megezzino Viveri Palermo	5190	750	572	5386	9904
" " Catania	5518	3601	409	2829	13357
" " Caltanissetta	1784	-	-	1586	3370
	13490	4351	981	7861	26683

NOTE. In comparing the above figures with last report it is found that the British Army shows an increase of 3,000. This increase for the most part includes rations issued Call-ups. The actual increase of the Army is 823, according to movement reports. O.C. Commissary has been requested to furnish this office a report on all rations issued call-ups and volunteers, to include single scale and travel rations.

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FROM: C.O. AAFSC MTO CITE SCIT

TO A ACC ROME PASS TO C.O. MMIA ROME

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INFO: 15 AIR FORCE
C.O. 15 AFSC

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SECRET

JUST INFORMED THAT 62 SERVICE GROUP OF 15 AIR FORCE HAS BEEN UTILIZING SERVICES OF 15 ARTILLERY BATTALION 404 REGIMENT (ITALIAN) STRENGTH 5 OFFICERS AND 125 EM (.) CAN YOU INFORM US AS TO THEIR BRANCH OF SERVICE, CATEGORY AND TO WHAT ALLIED OR OTHER FORMATION THEY BELONG (.) ASSUMING THAT THESE ARE NOT US-ITIS ALLOTTED TO UNITED STATES AIR FORCE CAN ANYTHING BE DONE TO TRANSFER THEM TO THIS CATEGORY

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FIFTH ARMY BR INGR

DISSTONE FOR WMIA IO

SD 2128

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FOR WMIA IO (*) REFERENCE YOUR 9238 DATED 22 JAN (*) 519 GUARD BN
IS UNDER COMMAND OF 1 DISTRICT THEREFORE 209 ITALIAN ADM DIV HQ
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ITI ADM MATTERS

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ROUTINE

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SD 50 (2)
SD/18/1

J. A. Hansen / Capt.

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FROM NMIA LO BR INCR FIFTH ARMY

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TO NMIA HQ INFO NMIA LO 1 Dist

9238

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SLO/C. Ref telephone conversation YEARSLEY/NEWTON Jan 21. Please confirm

519 Gd Bn not administrative responsibility of 231 Div.

EZ SD DISTR: Action Copy 6/11/1

SD/18/1

SD/50

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*Spoke 62 (qtd)
Unit is w/c 1st
Therefore 289 Unit is
responsible for admin
matters. Signal sent
22/1 to this effect
JAL
22/1*

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Internal Security Divisions SICILY

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 9/11/1
20 Jan 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Copy to: ALCOM SICILY for MMIA LO R¹/₂

1. Ref GMR letter 1984/MDB of 17 Jan 45.
2. It is regretted that NO departure can be made from the original order to reduce the Internal Security Divs in SICILY to their authorized strengths, and you are required to have this done with the least possible delay.
3. The ceilings have been laid down by Higher Authority and can NOT be altered. Moreover it is pointed out that other measures have been taken to deal with the Internal Security in SICILY.

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[Signature] J. C. L.
Major General
M. M. I. A.

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FROM HQ 15 TH ARMY GROUP

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TO CG FIFTH ARMY

INFO AFHQ EIGHTH ARMY MMIA

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CONFIDENTIAL X REF YOUR MSG 5487 OF 18 JAN NOT TO ALL X

SUBJECT UNIT IS 92 RPT 92 CAN (MASKING) PLATOON STRENGTH I OFF

AND 33 PM SHOWN IN PARA TWO FIFTH ARMY LETTER AG 336.2 - Z DATED

14 Jan 45 SUBJECT "Status of Italian Troops"

AS ALL BR - ITI UNIT UNDER COMMAND FIFTH ARMY X UNIT REMAINS BR-ITI
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UNDER OPERATION/CONTROL FIFTH ARMY AND DOES NOT RPT NOT AFFECT US-ITI

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StrengthsSiberiaSalandra Div.
Aosta Div.

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Overstrength 517.

Sardinia

Calabria Div.

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Overstrength 417

2/16 Btg Sic interna.

(ex Salandra Div, employed on mainland) 425. overstrength 25

2/5 Btg Sic interna.

(ex Aosta Div, employed on mainland) 1160 overstrength 760

1585 overstrength 1590 35Keep on
File 20/1

2/46 Bty sic interna.
(ex Sabauda Div, employed on mainland) 425 overstrength 25

2/5 Bty sic interna.
(ex Costa Div, employed on mainland) 1160 overstrength 760
1585 overstrength 1590
1585 overstrength 1585

(C.I.E. Strength of Antennal Security Base is 400 all ranks)

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Translation

~~6/10/1~~ 6/10/1

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From: S.M.R.E.

Ref. No. 10984 / MOB.

To: M.M.I.A.

Date: 17 Jan. 1945.

Subject: Effective strength of the "AOSTA" division.

Ref. your ^{signal} ~~letter~~ ref: 0/665 dated 29 December.

- ①. The effective strength of the "AOSTA" division is that which is stated in the letter to which reference is made.
- ②. It is ^{however, is included} because it contains the ~~2nd~~ ^{subbattalions} of the 5th Security Regiment, located at Catanzaro and recently returned to Sicily having been replaced by troops ^{from} 1589 from Sardinia.
- ③. In consideration of ^{the} situation which has ~~resolved itself~~ ^{arising} in Sicily following the recent call up, this S.M. does not recommend the reduction of the strength of the AOSTA division, at least until the Sicilian situation becomes settled.

J. Danin

Signed. SANTI.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

SEGRETO

N° 10984 /Mob. di prot.

P.M.3800, 11 17 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO : Forza effettiva della divisione "Aosta".



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

R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA - Gabinetto - Ufficio C.A.

P.M.3800

Riferimento foglio O/665 in data 29 dicembre u.s. di cotesta
M.M.I.A.-

1. - La forza effettiva della divisione "Aosta" é quella indicata nel foglio cui si fa riferimento.
2. - In essa però é compreso il II battaglione del 5° reggimento sicurezza dislocato a Catanzaro e testé rientrato in Sicilia perché sostituito da truppe della Sardegna. 1588
3. - In considerazione della nota situazione determinatasi in Sicilia in seguito ai recenti richiami alle armi, questo S.M. non ritiene consigliabile addivenire a riduzioni di forza della divisione "Aosta", almeno fino a quando la situazione in Sicilia non si sia normalizzata.



IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

[Handwritten signature]

SECRET

SUBJECT: Order of Battle

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MIA)
SD/11/1

16 Jan 45

FIFTH ARMY BR INCR

Copy to: AFHQ (G-3 Org)
1 District
MIA LO 1 District
MIA LO FIFTH ARMY BR INCR

Italian Transit Camp ARIZZO

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1. The above unauthorized unit appears on FIFTH ARMY strength state dated 7 Jan 45 as a BR-ITI unit.
2. If this unit is to form part of the BR-ITI commitment your proposals in the form of a suggested U.E. should be submitted to AFHQ (G-3 Org) Foreign in order that the unit may be regularized for inclusion in Cat 3 "BR-ITI" Section of MIA Order of Battle.

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G/11/1

William L. Cool
for Major General
MIA

SUBJECT:- Ration Distribution Depots.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
EE/53/3

16 Jan 45.

Diren. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

1. The personnel now operating the railhead Depot at PALIDORO are doing so solely for the maintenance of RE-ITI category troops and therefore cannot continue to be held against the ITI-ITI category.

Arrangements are being made for these personnel to be included in the War Establishment of the I.G.F.R.T.D., CASSINO, thus transferring them to the RE-ITI category.

Effective this date they will cease to be held against the ceiling authorized for Commissariato personnel.

2. The Depot at ORFOMA has been reported as included in the ITI-ITI category and thus held against the authorized Commissariato ceiling.

This is incorrect. The Depot should be operated within the RE-ITI category, by personnel of 209 Division Summa Section.

Request this be rectified.

3. It is considered that there is an excessive number of Distribution Depots in the Naples Area, all of which are ITI-ITI category and count against the Commissariato ceiling.

Request you examine the possibility of closing the Depots at AYERBA, NOLA and SALERNO as early as possible since it would seem perfectly feasible for -

- (i) Troops based on AYERBA to be based on CASERTA or AVERSA
- (ii) Troops based on NOLA to be based on NAPLES or AVELLINO
- (iii) Troops based on SALERNO to be based on AVELLINO.

Please forward your recommendations as early as possible.

B. L. Pennington

B. L. PENNINGTON,
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

MLP/jc

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15 ARMY CT, 8 ARMY, 5 ARMY, 1 DISTRICT

AFHQ (03 000)

SD 2070

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REF AFHQ FC 81338 DATED 9 JAN (.) REQUEST COPY OF YOUR REPORT AND ENCLOSURE
ATTACHED FOR INFORMATION NR 1A

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ROUTINE

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FROM AFMA
LAGE 000050A

TO 15 ARMY GROUP EIGHTH ARMY FIFTH ARMY

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COPIES OF COMPLETE ORBAT OF ITALIAN ARMY UNITS UNDER YOUR COMB AGAINST

BRITISH ACCOUNT PAREN BP DASH ITI PAREN X/TO FOR ACTION FIFTH ARMY

FOR BRITISH INCREMENT SIGNED SAC CITE FHGCT FX81538 X SUBSEQUENT AMEND-

MENTS WILL REACH THIS HQ AT INTERVALS OF NOT MORE THAN ONE MONTH

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Requested copy to
HQA for info
SD2070
10/Jan 9/11

Subject:- Order of Battle.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (L.S.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
LC/8/SD
1 Jan 45.

Headquarters, 230 Div.

Ref your 618/Op dated 30 Dec 44.

1. It is confirmed that 3, 4, 9 and 10 Coys, 3 Bn. 408 Regt., have been transferred to US-III Category and come under Hq 206 Div. for administration. (Authority MIA signal 2426 dated 13 Dec 44, not to 230 Div).

2. 4 Italian Veterinary Hospital, which moved from MARTIRA FRANCA to BARI on 28 Dec 44, becomes a BRITI Unit, and under 230 Div. for administration. The Hospital will be re-designated 601 Italian Veterinary Hospital (Authority MIA letter 20/11 dated 23 Dec 44 addressed to Ministry of War.)

J.G. Bird Major.
Senior MIA LO.
C/o Hq 54 Area.

JGB/jar

Copy to:- Hq No.3 District (East Detach).
Hq 54 Area
Hq MIA.
Mil. Hq PUGLIA e LUCANIA

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FROM: LONG MIA LO SICILY

TO : MIA RCME

CITE 1203/1

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EXEMPT

Reference your 0665 (.) Latest strength return 1
have is dated 24 December (.) Return shows AOSTA
Division effective strength 4798 All Banks (.)
Your signal being taken up here to determine where
figures came from

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SUBJECT:- Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units

Land Forces Sub Com A.C.
(MHA)
G/11/1

29 Dec 44

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C.A. Sec A.C.
(Attn: Maj WILSON)

1. This HQ SBL963 of 19 Dec (Copy att) appears to deal with ~~the~~ the attached correspondence.
2. Your correspondence returned for your files.

ABC

Signal deals with
and return to ACH of
personnel strength
requirements

Correspondence was
with signature of HC

[Signature]
Major General
MHA Cap

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RESTRICTEDSUBJECT: Improper employment of Italian Military personnelLAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

File No. SD/15

27 Dec 44TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Your latest strength return shows Italian personnel attached to British Units as under:-

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>
Attached from Mil HQ P & L	BARI	3	43
Attached from 225 Inf Depot	MONOPOLI	1	14
Attached from 228 Inf Depot	MCLPETTA	1	31

2. Please inform this HQ soonest of the specific British Units which are employing the above personnel.

3. It is noted that your last strength return does not include the following:-

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>ORs</u>
<u>Misc pers in service of Br Units:</u>			
Attached from Garrison Unit	BARI	13	31
Attached from Garrison Unit	SHINDISI	--	60
Attached from Garrison Unit	LECCE	5	72

which were shown on your previous strength returns. What has happened to this personnel? If they are still working for British Units, please let us know the specific designations of the British Units.

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REP
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Latest strength return shows ACSTA Div strength 2200 offrs 5858
other ranks Total 5478 (.). If this is correct this unit must be
reduced to ceiling of 5000 all ranks and surplus personnel
concentrated BUSHO Camp for movement to AMEROMI with next consignment
replacements from SIGINT phase 2 (.). Inform this HQ numbers available.

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FROM: MOSIA

LO BARDINIA Copy to Ministry of War

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Latest Italian Strength return shows CALABRIA Div strength: 334 officers
5104 other ranks Total 5438 (.). If this is correct this unit must be
reduced to ceiling of 9000 all ranks and surplus personnel concentrated
for shipment to mainland (.). Advise this No. of members available for
shipment.

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Deputy Capt.

C O P Y

FROM: MMIA LO 54 AREA

TO : MMIA KPTD MMIA LO DISTHREE

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Locations strengths follows (.) DISTHREE EAST 5 and 11

54 AREA 4 and 9 209 SUB AREA 1 and 2 240 TOWN MAJOR

4 and 5 52 AREA 3 and 3

For THRUFP (.) Please coordinate with your report on Italian IOs

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MESSAGE FORM

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ORSerial No.
Office Date Stamp

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TO MMIA 20 St Area Hq 3 DISTRICT for MMIA 20

FROM MMIA.

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

SD 1983.

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Ref your SD/H of 16 December est to info addressee

Suspect Italian Liaison Officers under Category 6 B MMIA

Orbit G/H of 27 Nov Request latest details.

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means
+ (Except)

() Wireless

Signature

This Message must be sent IN
CIPHER if liable to interception
or to fall into enemy hands

Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time of Origin

T.H.I

T.O.R.

* Originator may delete "Except" and insert "Including." (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE FIDCT

TO 5 ARMY INFO MMIA AAI

FX 72353

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Answer not yet received to our FX 53496 dated 16 Nov requesting authorized strengths of ITI units (.) It is necessary that info be forwarded to this HQ as soon as possible.

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Auth: CO, PBS.

Inic: *W*

Date: 18 DEC 1944

HEADQUARTERS
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
APO 782

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AG 319.26 BFGCT (15 Dec 44)

6/11/1
18 December 1944

SUBJECT: Troop List

TO : Commanding General, MMIA, APO 794

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BS 73954

1. Pursuant to request contained in Message Form, your Headquarters, Reference No SD 1913, dated 12 December 1944, enclosed herewith are two copies of Page 40, Section IV, of PBS Troop List, dated 1 December 1944.

2. Copies of PBS Troop List, dated 15 December 1944, are now being distributed to your Headquarters.

For the Commanding Officer:

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O. M. MADSEN
Captain. A. G. D.
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl:
2 cys Page 40, PBS Troop List, 1 Dec 44

25/12
Too late!!
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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No.

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FROM: HQ 15 ARMY GP

TO : AFHQ

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Your FX 71185 (.) Cite REGCT of 19 Dec confirmed

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE FHGCT

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TO 15 Army Group

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Ref Disthree SD 579 of 8 Dec (.) 171 Italian Sig Coy HQ moved to under
command Distone without SD authority due to misunderstanding (.) Confirm you
will accept on Distone Orbat.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 091.711/153 GCT-O

15 December 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Port Operating Coys

TO : General Officer Commanding, Number 3 District

1. Reference your letter, file 752/G, dated 12 December 1944.
Locations are as follows:

1. IWT Port Operating Coy	BARI
2. IWT Port Operating Coy	TARANTO
3. IWT Port Operating Coy	ANCONA

2. Units are under command of this headquarters, administered through Districts, and the first two will appear on your Order of Battle with the note appended: "Operational Command AFHQ".

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

R. H. FRISE,
Captain, ACD,
Asst Adjutant General. 1572

cc AAI
G-3 ORD (A)

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

7.03/ES

CWA/es

SUBJECT: Personnel for Italian Army Units No. 7.03/ES

TO : LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION 66

18 December 1944

1. Reference your G/11/1, dated 16 December 1944
2. The number of personnel that could be made available as requested in your para 2 is nil.

L. D. Densmore
L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel, F A
ADCOS, E/S

cc: Chief of Staff

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Included in list returned to AFHQ 9/12
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URGENT

For the attention of
Capt. J. J. J.

Tel. Ext. 292

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : C-1E/604/I.
 SUBJECT : Italian Mil. Personnel.
 TO : Director, Land Forces
 Sub-Commission (MILA).
 FROM : C-1 (B) Hq. AG.

18 December 1944

Reference your letter C/11/1 dated 16 December 1944 enclosing copy letter from Chief of Staff 8624/5/008 dated 15 December 1944, and AFHQ letters ASD/922.8 dated 4 December 1944 and 10 December 1944.

1. Italian Military Personnel employed by this Formation are as follows:

(a) Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission:-
 1444 - IRI-IRI.

(b) Transportation Sub Commission:-
 378 - BR-IRI.
 386 - IRI-IRI.

(c) H.Q. Commandant, Allied Commission:-
 444 - IRI-IRI.

2. It is regretted that it is not possible to release any of the above personnel for the following reasons:-

(a) The Italian military staffs attached to D.P.& S.C. are essential for:-

- (i) Discipline and control of Italian civilian refugees from the Battle Zone.
- (ii) Escort and guard duties.
- (iii) Supervision of general camp work and disinfection.

They are employed in DPSC camps in forward areas, and it is considered that their continued employment is essential, and cannot be substituted by Italian civilian personnel.

In addition, with the eventual repatriation from Europe to Italy of large numbers of Italian ex-soldiers, the processing and handling of these repatriates must essentially be done by Italian military staffs in the first instance in the reception centres to be established by the Sub Commission.

(b) The number of Italian military personnel at present employed by Transportation S-C is inadequate to operate the additional transport being made available, and it has been necessary to apply for 6,200 additional Italian military personnel.

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- (c) Italian military personnel held by H.Q. Commandant are employed on essential guard, warehouse and transport duties chiefly in dock areas and forward Regions. Their numbers are below strength, and application has been made for reinforcements in order that they may fulfil the duties required of them.

3. In addition to the above, two Mine Clearance Coys (No. 561 and No. 562) are working for this Commission at Gaeta and Pescara respectively, and there is a G.D. Platoon of 1 Officer and 52 ORs formed in Sardegna to release American and British troops.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

Admiral Hayn

G-1(B)
H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION

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FROM MJ// MMIALO DISTHREE 171030 A
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OF YOUR O R B A T G/11 DATED 27 NOV
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FROM: MIA

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

INFO: AMI - AFHQ
3 DISTRICT

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EXPIRY DATE FOR O'DONNELL TRAINED 1944Date Time
16/02/44RESTRICTED

Subject is 4 Italian Vet Hosp strength 5 effrs 60 other ranks location MARTINA FRANKA required by AFHQ for Allies (.) Unit will move under orders DISPERL to BARI on or after 20 December (.) On arrival passes to ER-ITI category for formation on to W.E. HA/824/1 (.) New designation 601 Italian Vet Hosp strength 5 effrs 94 other ranks 2 vehicles (.) Reinforcements to bring unit up to W.E. strength will be collected from TRANI Camp as and when they are available (.) Request you make necessary arrangements for sick animals now with hospital being (.) For 3 Dist AFHQ FY 60370 of 14 Dec refers (.) For O'DONNELL (.) Report availability rfts

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LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)
* AC SICILY REGION HQ
APO 394

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No 1076

14 December 1944

Added 164 on 14 Dec 44

SUBJECT: Strength State

TO : G.O.C. Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA) ROME APO 394

1. Reference your G/11/1 dated 2 September 1944; please find enclosed herewith semi-monthly strength state of Italian Armed Forces in Sicily.

Homer E. Long
HOMER E. LONG
Major, G.M.C.

1 Incl:

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STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES IN SICILY AS AT 10 DECEMBER 1944

MAGAZZINO		Italian Army	Italian Navy	Air Forces	Carabi- nieri	TOTALE
Magazzino Viveri Palermo		4794	750	459	3403	9416
"	Catania	3941	3300	377	2711	10329
"	Caltanissetta	1760	-	-	1273	3038
Totale...		10495	4050	846	7392	22783

W. J. J.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OPERATIONS DIVISION

Date 15 December 1944

This information copy to:

President, Military Missions to

The Italian Army

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 091.711/153 OCT-6

15 December 1944

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TO : General Officer Commanding, Number 3 District

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By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

B. B. FREE, Jr.
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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MIA

President, Military Missions to The Italian Army

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AUTHORIZATION OR DISBANDMENT . REASON IMPOSSIBILITY TO ADMINISTER
AREAS BARI BRINDISI TARANTO CONSIDER THESE OFFICERS INVALUABLE
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SUBJECT: - Personnel for Italian Army Units

Land Forces Sub Com A.C.
(MNTA)

0/11/1
16 Dec 44

Economic Section A.C.
Civil Affairs Sec A.C.
Establishments Sec A.C.

1. With reference to A.C. letter 8264/5/608 dated 15 Dec and enclosures (1) copy of AFHQ section letter file ASD/922.8 Subject: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units dated 4 Dec, and (2) copy of AFHQ G-5 Sec letter Subject: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units dated 10 Dec.

2. You are requested to advise this HQ within twenty four hours of receipt of this letter of the numbers of personnel that could be made available by para 5(A), and (B) of AFHQ section letter, file ASD/922.8 Subject: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units, dated 4 Dec (enclosure No. 1 above).

ABC
c.5

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Major General Capt
MNTA

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Tel Ext 341

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO #394
Office of the Chief of Staff

LWS/el

Ref. 8264/5/COS

15 December 1944

SUBJECT: Personnel for Italian Army Units

TO : Land Forces Subcommittee ✓
 + Economic Section ✓
 + Civil Affairs Section ✓
 + Establishment Section ✓

1. Attention is invited to paragraphs 5 and 6 of Inclosure #1 (copy of AFHQ, G-3 Section letter, file ASD/922.8, Subject: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units, dated 4 December 44).

2. You are requested to comply with the provisions of these paragraphs within forty-eight hours of receipt of this notice.

3. As noted in Inclosure #2 (copy of AFHQ, G-5 Section letter, Subject: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units, dated 10 December 44), G-5, AFHQ, is pressing for a reply on this subject.

4. Land Forces Subcommittee will collect and consolidate these reports for submission to G-5, AFHQ.

2 Incls.
 Incl #1-as above
 Incl #2-as above

R. W. Stamps
 Chief Staff Officer
 To the Chief of Staff

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-3 SECTION

AP 265

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File No. : ASD/922.8

SUBJECT : Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units

TO : All Concerned

4 December 1944

Ref. this Hq. letter, file ref. 922.2 dated 20 November 1944.

1. The Italian Army is now practically all employed either by the Allies or in its own authorized administration. It would appear that the provision of reinforcements (replacements) for existing units and the forming of new units can only be carried out by:

- (a) Disbandment of non-essential units now in existence.
- (b) Formation of Base Bt. and Trg. Depots for the absorption of men enlisted from the civil population.

2. The Base Bt. and Trg. Depots are now being planned, but the intake of recruits must be postponed until early in 1945 when stocks of clothing and equipment are expected to become available. Recruits will require at least one month of basic training, while tradesmen will require not less than two months of specialist training in addition. It is thus apparent that the application of para. 1 (a) above is the only means of meeting vitally important calls upon the Italian Army for the next three months.

3. Priority for the provision and reinforcement of units will be allotted as follows; subject to subsequent review:-

- (a) Units required in direct support of operations
- (b) Units employed in Dock Clearance and Railway Construction.
- (c) Units employed on road construction and maintenance.
- (d) Other service units.
- (e) Guard Bns.

4. To provide for requirements under para. 3 (a) above, there is an immediate demand for 2,000 men of good physique, fully equipped and well disciplined.

5. Will addressees please examine their present holding of Italian Army personnel and units with a view to the following:-

(b) Formation of Base Bt. and Trg. Regt. for the Special Forces men enlisted from the civil population.

2. The Base Bt. and Trg. Depots are now being planned, but the intake of recruits must be postponed until early in 1945 when stocks of clothing and equipment are expected to become available. Recruits will require at least one month of basic training, while tradesmen will require not less than two months of specialist training in addition. It is thus apparent that the application of para. 1 (a) above is the only means of meeting vitally important calls upon the Italian Army for the next three months.

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- (a) Disbandment of non-essential units.
- (b) Disbandment of units not authorized by this Hq in **1587.5** of 17 November, and 3 December 1944.
- (c) Rpt. of essential units by reduction of other similar units to cadres only.
- (d) Release of men suitable for requirement at para. 3(a) on replacement by lower category men.
- (e) Release of tradesmen and specialists from non-specialist units on replacement by non-tradesmen, and non-specialists.

6. In view of the urgency of the problem, preliminary replies are required by G-3 (Org-A) by 15 December 1944, to show numbers that could be made available by para. 5 (a) and (b) above, and by 20 December to show detailed reorganization and releases by trades that could be effected by para 5 (c), (d) and (e).

7. The above proposals are designed to cover a temporary dearth of manpower and will not affect the long term plan for the formation of new units when the reinforcement (replacement) depots are established. For the present, it would appear necessary for every service to limit its holding of Italian Army units to the irreducible minimum.

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

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

JMM/WMW/mls

10 December 1944

SUBJECT: Provision of Personnel for Italian Army Units

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference enclosed paper, Allied Force Headquarters, G-3 Section, subject as above, dated 4 December 1944, file ASD/922.8.

2. It is desired that you review your present holdings of Italian Army Personnel including CC.RM. units, Truck Companies, Mine Lifting Companies, etc, in the light of para. 5 and 6 and submit your reports to this Headquarters as promptly as possible.

Incl:
as above

/s/ J. Murray Mitchell
/t/ J. MURRAY MITCHELL
Colonel, G.S.C.

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Incl #2

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AFHQ G-3 Org

15 ARMY GP. WAR MINISTRY. MMIA LO 54 AREA

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Ref your FX 64109 of 8 Dec not to all (.) 4 Italian
Vet Hosp available for Allied Orbat strength 5 offrs
45 other ranks location MARTINA FRANGA (.) Unit alerted
to move HSHI accomodation available 7 days (.)
Endeavouring provide Major HELLI Vet Officer

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Ref your AO 319/25 BFOCT Troop List dated 1 December (.)
Page 40 Section 4 NOT repeat NOT included in copies
sent to this HQ please expedite

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ROUTINE

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Subject: Italian I.M.V. Port
Integration Companies.

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Land Forces Sub Com A.C.
(M.V.I.A.)
8/11/1
Box 44.

To : A.F.M.C.

R 1/2

Ref your AG 091.711/193 GITH of 21 Nov.

1. The Naval Sub Commission has agreed to the above companies being considered as part of the 22 - IT Service Unit Order of Battle.
2. These companies will be included in future MIA Orders of Battle under Cat. 3(22 - IT Service Units Employed by Allied Formations).


Major General,
M.V.I.A.

Copy to: HQ, AG
Naval Sub Com., AG.
3 District
Ministry of War

Internal Dist: A/Q
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 TO NMIA
 GR 69
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 ALLIED ORBAT X SIGNED SAC CITE FMGCT X FOUR ITALIAN
 MOUNTAIN VETERINARY HOSPITAL LOCATION FRANCAVILLA FONTANA
 STRENGTH FIVE OFFICERS NINE FOUR OTHER RANKS TWO FIVE
 TONS STORES (X) STAFF TO INCLUDE IF POSSIBLE MAJOR NELLI
 FILOTEO VETERINARY OFFICER EX CIL (X)
 REQUEST YOU STATE WHETHER UNIT CAN BE SPARED AND
 GIVE DATE READY TO MOVE BARI
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Ref your 4558 of 2 December para 2 (.)

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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Revised—January, 1983.

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Navy Sub Commission's 271245 November approved.

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G. 11/11
4/12 R. 12/12

Re Italian Naval personnel being considered as part of ERI-IT service unit.

Dist. 9. MMIA.

P.L.T.P.

T.O.R.0055

Date 4-12-44.

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AFHQ
address 4/2 by letter
sent 4/11

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6/11/11

FROM: 5 ARMY

TO : CG MICUBA
HQ AAI

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INFO: HQ MMIA
CO PBS

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One: Movements of Pack Mule Replacements as scheduled in AFHQ Cable
FX 60906 Time dated 011133A December 1944 are 1200 between 11 to 17
December and 1200 between 18 to 24 December (.) Request that highest
priority be given these shipments in order to accelerate delivery 1
week beginning 4 December 1944 (.) Two: New subject: MMIA Order of
Battle No. 2/4 dated 27 November 1944 shows 825 and 865 Field Hospital
under US-ITIS (.) MMIA IO here informed this HQ that all medical
installations are ITI-ITI and not within ceiling (.) Request confirmation

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

Distribution: SD/5
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LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)
% AC SICILY REGION HQ.
APO 394

No 1076

30 November 1944

SUBJECT: Reports - Monthly.

TO : G.O.C. Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MMIA) Rome.

1. Enclosed herewith following reports.

a. In compliance with instructions in your Ref G/11/1 dated 2 September 1944.

(1) Semi-monthly strength state of Italian Armed Forces
Armed Forces.

* b. In compliance with Appendix "D" MMIA Administration Instruction No. 3 dated 4 June '44.

- (1) Monthly Demand (Medical Stores)
- (2) Monthly Return of Disinfectants.

c. In compliance with verbal instructions from Col Shipley and in accordance with par 5 of your AQ/15 dated 22 October '44.

- (1) Stock Inventory Allied Clothing and Equipment.
- (2) Stock Inventory ITI Clothing and Equipment.

*NOTE - Ministry of War Sanitary Corps GMR Ref No 6/2937/1467 Div 3 Sec CF.AV dated 14 October '44 instructed the Sanitary Corps Sicily to forward the Stock State of Medical Supplies from Allied sources monthly as at 15th which is in variance with Appendix "D" MMIA Administration Instruction No. 3 dated 4 June '44. Monthly return for disinfectants are being forwarded at the same time. Request instructions regarding same.

LESTER R ALBERT
Lt Col Inf
L O Sicily

5 Encls:

- Encl. 1 - Strength State.
- " 2 - Medical Demands.
- " 3 - Disinfectants Return.
- " 4 - Inventory Allied Clothing and Equipment.
- " 5 - Inventory ITI Clothing and Equipment.

STRENGTH STATE OF ITALIAN ARMED FORCES IN SICILY AS AT 25 NOVEMBRE 1944

MAGAZZINO	Italian Army		Italian Navy		Air Forces		Carabinieri		TOTAL
Magazzino Viveri Palermo	3019		850		468		3294		9621
" " Catania	3696		4270		373		2613		10952
" " Caltanissetta	1368		-		-		1395		2763
Totale ...	10083		5120		841		7302		23336

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SUBJECT: Order of Battle Italian Army

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/48
29 Nov 44

TO : SAFE

1. Attached is return showing personnel under command Allied Commission as at 24 Nov 1944.
2. It will be seen that 1001 Italian Gen. Tpt Coy is held against the ceiling of 3000 as ITH-ITH.
3. In future Italian General Tpt Coys working for AMG will be held in the ITH-ITH Order of Battle and shown as the Order of Battle of the Formation in whose area the Coy is working. These units will continue to work for AMG until removed for any more vital commitment on the authority of AFHQ.
4. With reference to the 1024 and 1025 QM Truck Coy shown on the attached return. These Coys are now absorbed into the 1st Truck Bn 2675 Regt AC ITH-ITH category and will be shown under this nomenclature in future.
5. Will you please see that the above changes are embodied in the next SAFE state rendered bi-monthly to this HQ.

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1. Attached is return showing personnel under command Allied Commission as at 24 Nov 1944.

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5. Will you please see that the above changes are embodied in the next S&A state rendered bi-monthly to this HQ.

Copy to: *[Signature]* (no attached).

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

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NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 13204

(Transmitted—May, 1940)
(Received—January, 1941)

To

C.in C.MED.(R) A.F.H.Q. M.M.I.A.

From

NAVY SUB COMM.

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G. 27/4

A.F.H.Q. wish to consider Italian Naval personnel serving in I.W.T. Companies as part of SR,III Service unit order of battle. Personnel who are working for British Army under Army Command will not(R) not be transferred to Italian Army.

2. Request you concurrence. A.F.H.Q. LETTER No A.G.091.711/133 GGT-0 of 31 Nov not to C.in C,Med refers.

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Dist. 9. M.M.I.A.

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Ref MMIA G/11/18 of 22 Nov part 4a (ii) total ~~127~~ veta of
transport Coy should read 127 not 57

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G-1	Lab
G-II	Med
G-III	RE
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FROM 5 ARMY
TO WFOUSA
INFO MMIA

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PARA ONE (.) In answer to your cables FX 53496, dated 16 Nov 1944 and FX 55440, 21 Nov 1944, it is impossible to give any authorized strength for Italian Units under command 5 Army other than total ceiling of 14000 recently established (.) Reasons for this are: (A) Italian Units were assigned to this command without any tables of organization or authorized strengths (.) (B) To correct this situation, 210 Italian Div and this HQ by mutual agreement established working strengths by Administrative Directive number 44, this HQ, dated 13 July 1944 (.) Of these strengths, only Pack Mule Coy strength has been adopted by higher HQ (.) (C) Other than 4 Pack Mule Coys no demands have been made based on these strengths (.) (D) No reliable information is available as to strengths effective prior to Italian armistice (.) (E) Strengths established in administrative directive number 44 referred to above are no longer effective due to changes in employment and additions and deletion of units (.) (F) Letter now being prepared for submission to your HQ (AFHQ) requesting re-organization of US-ITI units to meet operational needs (.) Letter will contain complete proposed authorized strengths (.) PARA TWO (.) Strengths listed in administrative directive no. 44, this HQ 13 July 1944 are as follows:

UNIT	OFFICERS	IM	TOTAL
154 Carabinieri Section . <i>ChF-1</i>	1	85	86
210 Div HQ (Less Car Platoon) <i>ChF-3</i> <i>Regt. Army</i>	39 83	143 253	182 336
23 Engineer Battalion <i>US-ITI</i>	19 152	816 1548	835 682
103 Miners Battalion	18 17	492 390	510 407

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UNIT	OFFICERS	MM	TOTAL
910 Engineer Battalion <i>Cat 3 US/ITI</i>	35 25	1246 1038	1281 1063
Car Platoon	1 5	37	38
20 Pack Mule Group <i>HQ Cat 3 US/ITI</i>	3 5	10 14	13 27
<i>Cat 3 US/ITI</i> 1, 2, 5, 9, 10, 11 Pack Mule Coys (each)	9	379	388 1816
30 and 31 Pack Mule Section (each) <i>Cat 3 US-ITI</i>	1	60	61
Pack Mule Training Center <i>Cat 3 US-ITI</i>	12	280	292
67th Inf Regt <i>CAT 3 US ITI</i>	66 62	1600 1232	1666 1294
210 Inf Regt <i>Distributing Points</i> <i>with 210 Inf Regt</i> <i>CAT 3 - US-ITI</i>	2	15	17
255 Battery <i>CAT 3 US-ITI</i>	4	150	154
525 Inf Regt <i>CAT 3 US-ITI</i>	66 39	1600 711	1666 760
548 Inf Regt <i>CAT 3 US-ITI</i>	66 30	1600 577	1666 607
1st Vet Hosp (ITI-ITI)	5	89	94
110 Vet Hosp (ITI-ITI)	5	89	94
130 Vet Hosp (ITI-ITI)	5	89	94
525 Fd Hosp (ITI)	7	58	65
865 Fd Hosp (ITI)	7	58	65

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SUBJECT: Overall Order of Battle - Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 0/11/1
29 Nov 44

TO : G-3 Section AFHQ

Reference your 922.5 of 14 and 17 November.

1. With reference to 922.5 of 17 November:

(a) Para 4. 268/1 Service Company and 268/1 MT Company should be BR-III units, and not III-III. These units were allotted by letter HQ ADI file 1608/50/56/G(SDI) of 23 July 1944 to fill the Italian Section of WB NA/268/1 (amended) HQ Allied Control Commission and Allied Military Government of Italy. This therefore dilutes the British War Establishment by this Italian increment, and results in a substitution of Italian personnel for British personnel. Italian Units authorized to dilute British units are BR-III. Request that your letter be amended accordingly.

(b) It is noted that 3 IAT Port Of Companies are included in the Italian Army Order of Battle. These companies are composed entirely of Naval personnel, and in accordance with previous instructions (your 80 091.74/033 GGT-O of 24 Oct) are not included in the Italian Army. The physical transfer of this personnel from the Italian Navy to the Italian Army presents many difficulties affecting administration, pay, service, etc. The units are now carried in the column of the Navy, and are under command of the Army for operations. It is requested that your list be amended and the units be not shown in the Italian Army unless the personnel is physically transferred to the Army.

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(a) It is noted that Part II (a) of letter 14 Nov BR-III Combat Troops, shows Carabinieri as BR-III Troops. Carabinieri are all III-III Troops, and are attached to the Combat Groups for Provost duties.

(b) It will be noted that Part II (a) of letter 17 Nov BR-III Service Troops, does not include the Carabinieri.

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(a) It is noted that Part II (a) of letter 14 Nov HRI-III Combat Troops, shows Carabinieri as HRI-III Troops. Carabinieri are all ITH-III Troops, and are attached to the Combat Groups for Provost duties.

(b) It will be noted that Part II (a) of appx to letter 17 Nov HRI-III Service Troops, does not include the Carabinieri Sections which are attached to the HRI-III Service Units.

(c) Request that Part II (a) of letter 14 Nov be amended to show Carabinieri as ITH-III Troops attached to the Combat Groups.

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PICERNO DIV.

It is requested that you insert the attached appendix in Part II (a) Order of Battle of 14 Nov as, until an alteration in policy is made, these troops remain a HRI-III (Combat) Commitment.

4. The following further points arise in connection with Part II (a) enclosed with your letter of 14 Nov.

(a) W.S. Vehicle strength for

(1) Sigs Coy given as 50. Ref N./530/1 vehicle estab. is 59 and 1 Trailer. Trailers presumably should not be included in your totals, as they have been omitted in other cases.

(2) Transport Coy given as 54. Refs N./531/1, N./532/1, N./533/1, N./534/1 and N./539/1. Sum total is 57. N./531/1 is omitted by you.

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(b) W.2. Total of personnel given as 430 Officers and 8,412 ORs. Our total is 432 Officers and 8,578 ORs. Discrepancy caused by

(1) Ref Na/535/1. Totals for Med Sec should read 14 Offrs and 237 ORs. Attached personnel have no doubt been omitted in your calculations.

(11) Ref Na/538/1 and Na/540/1. Totals for Mech Coy should read 7 Offrs and 279 ORs. Na/540/1 has been omitted by you.

(c) Unit designations of P4 Coys in the CREMONA Group should read 29 and 77 not 13 and 85.

(c) Unit designation of CREMONA Sigs Coy should be 44 and not 20, and of FOLGORE 182 and not 184.

(e) Reference Na/596/1. Total vehicles for P4 Pz Coy is 46 and not 32 as shown by you.

(f) Ref Na/531/1, Na/532/1, Na/533/1, Na/539/1. Sum Total of Gen Tpt Coy is 162 not 154.

A. M. Hughes
Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Apex to MIA letter
G/11/1 of 22 Nov 44

OVERALL ORDER OF BATTLE - ITALIAN ARMY

Part II(a) BEHIND Combat Troops (Containing 7,000)

PICEPO COMBAT GROUP

WE	DESIGNATION	WE STRENGTH		
		Offrs	OR's	Vobs
NA/523/1	HQ PICEPO Combat Group	28	113	19
NA/526/1 } NA/527/1 }	235 Inf Regt	117	2,584	278
NA/526/1 } NA/527/1 }	336 Inf Regt	117	2,584	27
NA/525/1	152 Arty Regt	93	1,433	307
NA/528/1 } NA/529/1 }	152 Engr Bn	16	470	64
NA/530/1	112 Signal Coy	7	327	59
NA/531/1 } NA/532/1 } NA/533/1 } NA/534/1 } NA/535/1 }	152 S & T Coy	13	294	57
NA/535/1	334 Med Sec	14	237	42
NA/536/1	83 Pd Hospital	6	44	5
NA/536/1	91 Pd Hospital	6	44	5
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NA/536/1	91 Pd Hospital	6	44	5
NA/537/1	PICENO CFP	4	69	38
NA/538/1	PICENO Mech Engrs	7	279	53
	TOTAL	428	8,478	1,115

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Attached

NA/524/1	115 CC. TR Sec	2	50	5
NA/524/1	198 CC. TR Sec	2	50	5
	TOTAL	4	100	10

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REF YOUR ZERO IN TWO ZERO OF TWO TWO NOVEMBER
PD MILITARY HQ SIMPLY ADVISED THAT VICTOR AND
UNIT HAS ITS ARMY PERSONNEL, TWO OFFICERS
SIXTY FOUR DRS AT CATANIA PD PAREN ALBERT 1543
SIXTY TO ANIA ROMA CITE NINE SIX FINE SLANT

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 OF MINISTRY AGRICULTURE COULD BE MADE
 AVAILABLE FOR MILITARY SERVICE IF TRANSFERRED TO
 MAINLAND IT IS ESTIMATED TWENTY DAYS REQUIRED TO
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 THE STATIONS

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AG 091.711/153 GCT-O

21 November 1944

SUBJECT: Italian IWT Port Operation Companies.

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

1. Subject to the agreement of the Naval Sub-Commission, the following Italian units, working for the British Army under Army Command, will be considered as forming part of the BR-ITI Service Unit Order of Battle, although the personnel are drawn and reinforced from the Italian Navy:

1st IWT Port Operation Company
2d IWT Port Operation Company
3d IWT Port Operation Company

2. You are requested to obtain the agreement of the Naval Sub-Commission to the proposal that these companies should continue to be filled by, and reinforced from naval personnel. Such personnel would NOT be transferred to the rolls of the Italian Army, but would, for all other purposes, be considered equal in status.

3. Further instructions will follow regarding clothing and equipment.

By command of General WILSON:

R. H. Frost
R. H. FROST,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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For WIA LD ALBERT (*) Your 965/2 of 14 Nov (*) Request
 information regarding strength and whereabouts of V and R Unit
 as this is no longer shown in latest strength return (*) Is
 personnel still in Army or liable military service query (*)
 Urgently required on mainland for subsector and V and R rifle

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE PROCT
TO FIFTH ARMY
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Ref our FX 53496 dated 16 Nov 1944 (.)

Request is for authorized strengths not interested
in actual strengths

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Key line preparing
To see for it.

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FROM: 5 ARMY

TO : CG MTCUSA

INFO: NMIA

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Follows by letter list of US-ITI troops assigned 210 Division
too bulky for cable transmission (.) Cite MAGCTY cable
FX 53496 list shows actual strengths E& and Officers (.)
This headquarters now in process of reorganizing these units
operationally along US E/O easy requirements (.) Present
plans contemplate two combat engineer battalions, Engineer
Depot and maintenance companies, Pack Mule Companies, Truck
Company, Signal Wire recovery Company and QM service Companies
to equal total strength of 14000 (.) Equipment to come from
project WD-15-44

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REQUEST LIST OF ITALIAN UNITS IN 5 ARMY

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FROM AFHQ

TO 5 ARMY

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REQUEST LIST OF ITALIAN UNITS IN 5 ARMY AND
AUTHORIZED STRENGTHS.**SECRET** 1537

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FROM ALBERT MIA SICILY ALLIED COMMISSION

FOR MIA ROME

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Ref page 15 your G/11 of 27 Oct (.) Informed by
Military BQ Sicily that Vet and Remount Unit (ITI
stallion depot) now under control Ministry of
Agriculture

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Subject: Orders of Battle Italian Army

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
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File No. O/11/5

29 Oct 44 *per 30*

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Copy to: B. AAI

1. Herewith MILA Order of Battle No E/3 which compared with No E/2 of the previous month shows an overall reduction of 17,548 officers and men excl CC.RR.

2. This reduction is accounted for in the following manner :-

(a) Savings caused by sickness, exemptions, desertions, deaths etc	4,250
(b) Demobilised personnel from category 6 (see para 3 below). Incl personnel from SARDINIA	13,398
Total reduction.....	17,648

3. Category 6 contains all demobilisable personnel from Depots, District H.Q's, Garrison Troops, Services etc, who are not suitable for employment in Service units. These personnel are being demobilised as quickly as possible and until such time as all are disposed of, the overall total of the Italian Army will not increase in strength proportionately to the numbers recalled to the colours.

A correct distribution between categories is however gradually taking place.

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(a) Wastage caused by sickness, exemptions, desertions, deaths etc	4,250
(b) Demobilised personnel from category 6 (see para 3 below). Total personnel from SASSIMIA	13,295
Total reduction.....	17,545

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Major General
Military Mission Italian Army

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