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Appendix C 1

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ITALIAN

ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AFHQ
(INCORPORATING ITALIAN INCREMENTS TO AFHQ, AFHQ OFFICERS MESS UNIT, AFHQ STAFF AND SERVICES POOL)

War Establishment

(i) Personnel

	Offrs	WOI	WOII	S/Sjt	Sjts	Cpls	L/Cpl	Pte	Total
HQ									
OC (Capt)	1								1
Subaltern	1								1
Regtl NCO			1		1	4			6
Adm NCO				1					1
Clerks						1		1	2
Cooks						1		5	6(a)
Total HQ Italian ~~Incr to~~ AFHQ	2		1	1	1	6	-	6	17

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO AFHQ ADM STAFF [redacted]

(CE/30/4)

Mess orderlies for :-		
Sgts Mess	17	17
Rank & file	32	32
General Dutymen	71	71
Sanitary Dutymen	3	3
Total Increment to AFHQ Adm Staff Pool	123	123

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(TRAINING)

(CE/30/4)

General Dutymen	2	2
Mess Orderly	1	1
Total Italian Increment to G3-(Training)	3	3

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(INFANTRY)

(CE/30/4)

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Staff Pool	123	123

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(TRAINING)

(G3/30/4)

General Dutyman	2	2
Mess Orderly	1	1
Total Italian Increment to G3-(Training)	3	3

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(INFANTRY)

(G3/30/4)

Mess Orderly for:		
Officers Mess	1	1
Rank & File Mess	1	1
[illegible]		
Cook for Officers Mess	1	1
Total Italian Increment to G3-(Infantry)	3	3

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO [illegible] STAFF & SERVICES POOL

(G4/605/1)

Batmen drivers (for catering advisers)	14	14
Mess orderlies for officers Mess	10	10
Rank & file Mess	9	9
Cooks for rank & file Mess	9	9
Sanitary Dutyman	3	3
Total Italian Increment to FMQ Staff & Services Pool	45	45

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Staff Pool	123	123

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(TRAINING)

(CM/30/4)

General Dutyman	2	2
Mess Orderly	1	1
Total Italian Increment to G3-(Training)	3	3

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO G3-(INFANTRY)

(CM/30/4)

Mess Orderly for:		
Officers Mess	1	1
Rank & File Mess	1	1
Reinforcement		
Cook for Officers Mess	1	1
Total Italian Increment to G3-(Infantry)	3	3

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO [illegible] STAFF & SERVICES POOL

(CM/605/1)

Batmen drivers (for catering Advisers)	14	14
Mess orderlies for officers Mess	10	10
Rank & file Mess	9	9
Cooks for rank & file Mess	9	9
Sanitary Dutyman	3	3
Total Italian Increment to FMH Staff & Services Pool	45	45

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ITALIAN DETACHMENT TO OFFICERS MESS UNIT AFHQ

(CM/550/2)

	Offrs	WOI	WOII	S/Sgt	Sgts	Cpls	L/Cpls	Ptes	Total
Mess orderlies for :- Control mess								10	10
General duty men for Small messes (each)								4	4
Cooks for:- Increment pool for attached & visiting offrs								4	4
Total Italian Increment to AFHQ Officers Mess Unit AFHQ								18	18
Total Italian Adm Unit AFHQ	2	1	1	1	6	-		208 (b)	219

(a) Includes cooks for Italian Increments

(b) 20 to be junior NCOs

This est will not be implemented without AFHQ authority
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C L A S S I F I E D
R I S E R V A T O

CA/1519/1

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO HQ AM AREA (CM)
REPARTO ITALIANO COMPLEMENTI PER COMANDO AREA

WAR ESTABLISHMENTS - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

C.O. (Subaltern) - Ufficiale (subalterno)	1
Total officers - Totale ufficiali	1
Adm. NCO - Sottufficiale di contabilità	1
Drivers i/c - Automobilisti	6
Batman - Attendenti	6
Cooks for - Cuochi per:	
Off.Mess - Mensa ufficiali	2
Sgts Mess - Mensa sottoufficiali	1
Manka file mess - Cucina truppa	2
Orderlies for - Inservienti per:	
Off. Mess - Mensa ufficiali	2
Sgts Mess - Mensa sottoufficiali	1
Manka file - Cucina truppa	1
Water dutyman - Addetto ai servizi idrici	1
Sanitary dutyman - Addetto ai servizi igienica	1
TOTAL other ranks-Totale sottoufficiali e truppe	24
TOTAL on Italian Increment to Hq AM Area TOTALE di un reparto italiano complementi per comando area	25

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without A F H Q authority. -
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Amdt No	
Date	1 July 45
Offrs	-
O.Rs	16
Total	16
M/Cs	-
Vehs	-
Trailers	-

AN ITALIAN INCREMENT

TO HQ A SUB AREA

War Establishment.

(1) Personnel

W.C.O. 1/c	1
Serjeant	3
Drivers	3
Cooks	3 (a)
Orderlies	4
Batmen	1
Sanitary Dutyman	1
Water Dutyman	
Total, An Italian Incr. to HQ A Sub Area	16

(a) One to be L/Cpl or Cpl.

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority.

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RISERVATO

G.M./1523/1.

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO S.M.E.
REPARTO ITALIANO COMPLEMENTI
PER SCUOLA GENIO

WAR ESTABLISHMENT
ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

OC (Captain)- Capitano (Comandante)	1	+1
Officers (Subalterns) - Ufficiali (Subalterno)	1	+1
Total, Officers - Totale, Ufficiali	2	+2
Adm NCO - Sottufficiali di contabilita	1	+1
Serjeants - Sergenti	4	+4
Total, NCOs - Totale, Sottufficiali	5	+5
Pioneers - Artieri	182	
Drivers - Automobilisti	8	
Total, Rank and File - Totale, gr e tr.	190	
Total, Other Ranks - Sottuff.e truppa	195	+15
Total, Italian Increment to S.M.E. Totale, d'un Reparto Italiano Complementi per Scuola Genio	197	+17

Attached - Aggregati

Cooks for: Cucinieri

Officers Mess - Mensa Ufficiali	2	
NCOs Mess & Mensa sottufficiali	6	
Rank & File Mess (includes 1 Junior NCO)	7	+1
Cucina truppa (Compreso 1 graduato)		
Total, attached - Totale, aggregati	15	+1

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Drivers - Artieri	182	
Drivers - Autoveicolisti	8	
Total, Rank and File - Totale, gr e tr.	190	
Total, Other Ranks - Sottuff.e truppa	195	+15
Total, Italian Increment to S.M.E. Totale, d'un Reparto Italiano Complementi per Scuola Genio	197	+17

Attached - Aggregati

Cooks for: Cucinieri

Officers Mess - Mensa Ufficiali	2	
NCOs Mess & Mensa sottufficiali	6	
Rank & File Mess (includes 1 Junior NCO)	7	+1
Cucina truppa (Compreso 1 graduato)		
Total, attached - Totale, aggregati	15	+1
Total Italian Increment to SME incl att	212	+12

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Totale d'un Reparto Italiano Complementi per Scuola Genio Compresi Aggregati

(ii) Distribution of Rank and File by trades and Duties
Distribuzione graduati e truppa per specializzazione e servizi

Specialisti - Tradesmen

Blacksmiths - FABBRI	2
Carpenters and Joiners - Carpentieri e Falegnami	3
Electricians - Elettricisti	2
Engine fitters I.C. and pumps - Meccaniti per Motopompe	2
Fitter Meccanico montatore	1
Painter Verniciatori	1

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Qualif. Tradesmen - Specializzati

Pioneers - Artieri impiegati come:

Camouflage demonstration party (includes 1 Corporal)	6
Mascheratori (Compreso 1 gr)	
Maintenance party (including 1 Corporal)	36
Militari addetti alla manutenzione (Compreso un graduato)	

Quarters for

Officers Mess - Mensa Ufficiali	25
Serjeants Mess - " Sottufficiali	29
Rank and File Mess - Cucina truppa	5
Italian Mess Canteen - Cucina militari italiani	5
Canteen - Spaccio	4
Storemen - Magazzinieri	2
Plumbers and pipe fitters - Lattonieri	2
Tinsmiths - Stagnini	1
Turners - Tornitore	1
Pioneers for technical wing - Militari per la parte tecnica	6
Batmen for Students - Attendenti (per gli allievi)	40
Total, Tradesmen	172
Totale, Specializzati	

Non Tradesmen - Non Specializzati

Drivers - Automobilisti	8
General Dutymen - Militari per servizi vari	10
Total, Non Tradesmen	18
Totale, Non Specializzati	
Total, Rank and File - Totale graduati e truppe	190

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ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A FIELD SURVEY STORES DEPOT RE
(CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN)
(Designed to be attached to Italian Adm Unit AFHQ CE/1527/1)

War Establishment

(i) Personnel

RCO i/c (Sgt)	1
General Duties	15 (a) (b)
Cooks	1
Total, Italian Increment to a Field Survey Stores Depot RE	17

(a) One to act as clerk

(b) To include one junior RCO

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RISERVATO

CH/1517/1

AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A RECEPTION STATION TYPE 'A'

COMPLEMENTI ITALIANI PER POSTO DI SOSTA E RISTORO TIPO 'A'

WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

Serjeant - Sergente	1	
General dutymen Militari per servizi vari	8	(a)
Cook - Cuciniere	1	
TOTAL An Italian Incr. to a Reception Station Type 'A'	10	
TOTALE di un posto di sosta e Ristoro tipo 'A'		

(a) one to act as clerk-storeman -
di cui uno con incarico di scritturale-magazziniere.

Serjeant - Sergente	1	
General dutymen Militari per servisi vari	8	(a)
Cook - Cuciniere	1	
TOTAL An Italian Det. to a Reception Station Type 'A'	10	
TOTALE di un posto di sosta e Ristoro tipo 'A'		

(a) one to act as clerk-storeman -
di cui uno con incarico di scritturale-magazziniere.

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AN ITALIAN DETACHMENT TO A RECEPTION STATION TYPE 'B'

COMPLEMENTI ITALIANI PER POSTO DI SOSTA E RISTORO TIPO 'B'

WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

Serjeant - Sergente	1	+1
General dutymen Militari per servizi vari	12	(a)
Cook - Cuochieri	1	+1
TOTAL An Italian Lab. to a Reception Station Type 'B'	14	+2
TOTALE di un posto di Sosta e Ristoro tipo 'B'		

(a) One to act as clerk-storeman

Di cui uno con incarico di scritturale-magazziniere.

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RISERVATO

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INCR TO A
AN ITALIAN MOBILE LAUNDRY (C.E.) & BATH UNIT
(WAR ESTABLISHMENT)
REPARTO ITALIANO LAVANDERIA MOBILE
(ORGANICO DI GUERRA)

Personnel - Personale

DETAIL - Dettaglio	Officers - Ufficiali	Serjeants - Sergenti	Lance - Corporals - Soldati Scelto	Privates - Soldati	Total - Totale
Subalterns - Uff. le Subalterno	1				1
Clerks - Scritturali			(a)1		1
Fitters - Meccanici Montatori				2	2
Cooks - Cucinieri				2	2
Storemen(laundry) - Magajjinie ri(lavandeiri)			(b)4	49	53
Non Tradesmen - Non Specialisti					
Batman - Attendente				1	1
Drivers,I.C. - Automobilisti				2	2
Sanitary Dutymen - Addetti di servizio igienico				1	1
Water Dutyme n - Addetti al servizio				1	1
General Duties - Addetti ai servizio generali		1		3	4
Total, An Italian Mobile Laundry Totale, Reparto Italiano Lavanderia mobile	1	1	5	61	68

Batman - Attendente				1	1
Drivers, L.C. - Autoveicolisti				2	2
Sanitary Dutymen - Addetti di servizio igienico				1	1
Water Dutymen - Addetti al servizio				1	1
General Duties - Addetti ai servizi generali		1		3	4
Total, An Italian Mobile Laundry: Totale, Reparto Italiano Lavanderia mobile	1	1	5	61	68

(a) To be English speaking
Deve aver conoscenza della lingua Inglese

(b) Two to be English speaking
Di cui due conscritori alla lingua Inglese

This est will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority.

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CE/1510/1

Amdt No	
Date	1 July 45
Offrs	2
O.Rs	212
Total	214
M/Cs	-
Vehs	-
Trailers	-

AN ITALIAN INCREMENT

TO A BASE HOSPITAL LAUNDRY

War Establishment.

(i) Personnel

Officers (Capt)	1
(Subaltern)	1
Total, officers	2
Clerks (technical)	
(L/Cpl)	1
Storemen (laundry)	
(Cpls)	8
(L/Cpl)	9
(Ptes)	163
Fitters (Ptes)	4
Cooks (Ptes)	6
Non-tradesmen	
Barbers (ptes)	2
Water dutymen (ptes)	2
Sanitary dutymen (ptes)	2
Drivers i/c	4
General dutymen (sgts)	2
(L/Cpls)	2
(Ptes)	6

Storemen (laundry)	
(Cpls)	8
(L/Cpl)	9
(Ptes)	163
Fitters (Ptes)	4
Cooks (Ptes)	6
Non-tradesmen	
Batmen (ptes)	2
Water dutymen (ptes)	2
Sanitary dutymen (ptes)	2
Drivers i/c	4
General dutymen (Sgts)	2
(L/Cpls)	2
(Ptes)	6
Total, other ranks	212
Total, An Italian Incr. to a Base Hospital Laundry	214

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CM/1505/1

ITALIAN (FORMERLY) VEHICLE TRANSIT PARK (MAIN)

War Establishment

(i) Personnel

	Offrs	WOI	WOII	S/Sjts	Sjts	Cpls	L/Cs	Ptes	Total
Captain (a)	1								1
Subalterns	3								3
Tradesmen									
Electricians								1	1
Clerks				(a) 1		3	2	13	19
Storemen			(a)2		(a)2	2	4	95	105
Driver Mechanics						1	1	20	22
Cooks						1		5	6
Veh Mechanics						3	3	20	26
Sheet Metal workers								2	2
Non Tradesmen									
Drivers I.C.					(a)4	10	12	160	186
Regimental Dutymen								1	1
General Dutymen								5	5
Sanitary Dutymen								2	2
Batmen Drivers								4	4
Total, Italian Ambulance Vehicle Transit Park (Main)	4		2	1	6	20	22	328	383

(a) Includes at least one English speaking

This establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority

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ITALIAN ~~ORDNANCE~~ VEHICLE PARK 'B' VEHICLES

War Establishment

(1) Personnel

	Offrs	WOI	WOII	S/Sgts	Sgts	Cpls	L/Cs	Ptes	Total
Subalterns	2								2
Tradesmen						(c)1		2	3
Clerks								2	2
Electricians				(a) 1	(a)1	1	2	10	15
Storemen						(a)1	1	8	10
Driver Mechanics						1		2	3
Cooks						(b)1		(b)7	8
Veh Mechanics								5 (b)	5
Trade Specialists					(a)1	(a)2	5	65	73
Non Tradesmen						(a)1			1
Drivers I.C.								5	5
Regimental Dutymen								1	1
General Dutymen								4	4
Sanitary Dutmen									
Batman Drivers									
Total, Italian Ordnance Veh Park ('B' Vehs)	2	-	-	-	1	2	8	8 111	152

(a) Includes at least one English speaking.

(b) For use of Carrier Maint Secs attached Ordnance Veh Parks

This establishment will NOT be implemented without AHQ authority

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AN INFANTRY INCR TO .. VEHICLE DISPOSAL UNIT

Amdt No	
Date	1 July '45
Offrs	2
ORs	210
TOTAL	212
T/cs	-
Vehicles	1
Trailers	-

War Establishment

(i) Personnel

Captain (a)	1
Subaltern (a)	1
Total, officers	2
Clerks (includes 1 corporal) (a)	3
Cooks (includes 1 serjeant, 1 corporal)	3
Drivers I.C. (a)	10
Batmen	3
Orderlies	2
Postal Dutyman (Lance-Corporal)	1
General Dutymen	
Warrant officer Class II	1
Staff Serjeant	1
Serjeants	6 (b)
Corporals	12
Lance Corporals	12
Privates	150

Clerks (includes 1 corporal) (a)	3
Cooks (includes 1 sergeant, 1 corporal)	3
Drivers I.C. (a)	1
Batmen	2
Orderlies	2
Postal Dutyman (Lance-Corporal)	1
General Dutymen	
Warrant officer Class II	1
Staff Sergeant	1
Sergeants	3 (b)
Corporals	12
Lance Corporals	12
Privates	150
Total, other ranks	210
Total, An Italian Incr to a Vehicle Disposal Unit	213

(a) Includes at least one English speaking.
(b) Includes one Interpreter

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Appendix C 13

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RISERVATO

CM/1512/1

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ITALIAN SPECIAL V.P. POLICE COMPANY
COMPAGNIA CORA ITALIANI PER POSTI BLOCCO

WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(1) Personnel-Personale

DETAIL-Dettaglio	Headquarters Comando	12 V.P. sections (each)	Total Italian V.P.police company
		Le Sezioni per ciascuna	Totale una Compagnia
Captain - Capitano	1		1
Subalterns - Subalterni	2		2
Total, Officers - Totale Ufficiali	3		3
CSM - Maresciallo capo	1		1
Clerk, IQ"duties (serjeant) Scritturale	1		1
Clerks-general duties-Scritturali per servizi vari-			
Lance-corporal - Soldato scelto	1		1
Private-Soldato	1		1
Duty personnel-Militari per i servizi			
Serjeant-Sergeate		(a)	
Corporal-Corporale		(b)	6
Lance-corporals -Soldati scelti		1	12
Privates - Soldati		7	84
Batman - Attendente	1		1

Clerks-general duties-Scritturali per servizi vari-			
Lance-corporal - Soldato scelto	1		1
Private-Soldato	1		1
Duty personnel-gallivari per i servizi			
Serjeant-Sergente		(a)	6
Corporal-Corporale		(b)	12
Lance-corporals -Soldati scelti		1	84
Privates - Soldati		7	1
Batmen - Attendants	1		2
Cooks - Cucinieri	2		
TOTAL,other ranks-Totale sottufficiali e soldati	~~57~~	8 (a)(b)	~~113~~ 113
Total,Italian special V.P. police company - totale di una compagnia speciale per Polizia Blocco	~~11~~ 10	8 (a)(b)	~~117~~ 116

(a) 1 duty serjeant for each three V.P. sections. = 1 sergente di servizio per tre sezioni per posti di blocco -
(b) 1 duty corporal for each two V.P. sections = 1 caporale di servizio per ogni due sezioni per posti di blocco.

This establishment will NOT be implemented without A.F.H.Q. authority
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C*/1513/1

Audt No	
Date	1 July 45
Officers	1
O.Rs	63
Total	64
M/Cs	-
Vehs	-
Trailers	-

AN ITALIAN INCREMENT

TO C*P DEPOT AND TRG EST.

War Establishment.

(i) Personnel

Officers (subaltern)	1
Total, Officers	1
Duty N.C.O. (WO II)	1
Adm N.C.O. (Sgt)	1
Total, WOs and Sgts	2
Cooks	8
Mess orderlies	33
General dutymen	20 (a)
Total, ranks and file	61
Total, other ranks	63
TOTAL, An Italian Incr. to C*P Depot and Trg Est	64

Cooks	8
Mess orderlies	33
General dutymen	20 (a)
Total, ranks and file	61
Total, other ranks	63
TOTAL, An Italian Incr. to C&P Depot and Trg Est	64

(a) 4 to be Cpls or L/Cpls.

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority. (401)

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RISERVATO

CX/1521/1

ITALIAN INCREMENT TO ACC TRAINING CENTRE

REPARTO ITALIANO COMPLEMENTI AD UN CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO CACCIATORI

WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

C.C. (Capt) Capitano (comandante)	1	+
TOTAL Offrs - TOTALE Uff.li	1	
Adm. N.C.O. Sottufficiale di contabilita'	1	+
Clerk - Scritturale	1	+
Driver i/c - Automobilisti	2	
General Dutymen and mess orderlies Addetti ai servizi vari ed inservienti di mensa	10	
General Dutymen - Militari per servizi vari	30	(a)
TOTAL, Other Ranks TOTALE, Sottuff.li e	44	

Clerk - Scritturale	1 + 2
Driver i/c - Automobilisti	2
General Dutymen and mess orderlies Addetti ai servizi vari ed inservienti di mensa	10
General Dutymen - Militari per servizi vari	30 (a)
TOTAL, Other Ranks TOTALE, Sottuff.li e truppa	44
TOTAL Italian Incr. to AGO Training Centre TOTALE, di un Reparto Ital. Complementi ad un Centro Addestramento cuochi	45

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(a) To include cooks. - Compresi i cuochi

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority.

Il presente organico NON puo' entrare in vigore senza l'autorizzazione del Comando Alleato.

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CM/1522/1

ITALIAN ESTABLISHMENT TO FD COOKERY TRG CENTRE

COMPLEMENTI ITALIANI AD UN CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO CUCINIERI DA CAMPO

WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(1) Personnel - Personale

Serjeant - Sergente	1	+
Adm. Junior NCO Graduato di Contabilita'	1	+
General Dutymen Militari per servizi vari	12	(a)
	14	+2

(a) To include cooks - Comprende cuochi.

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ Authority.

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G/1525/1

ITALIAN INMATES "A" SPECIAL PROCEPTION CAMP
REPARTO ITALIANO COMPLEMENTI PER CAMPO ASSISTENZA SPECIALE "A"
WAR ESTABLISHMENT
ORGANICO DI GUERRA

(i) Personnel - Personale

OC (Capt or Subaltern) - Ufficiale Comandante (Capitano o Subalterno)	1 +
Total, Officers - Totale, Ufficiali	1 +
Admin NCO - Sottufficiale di contabilità	1 +
Clerk - Scritturale	1 +
General Dutymen - Militari per servizi vari	30
Cooks - Cuochi	2 +
Storemen - Magazzinieri	31
Batmen - Attendenti	15
Orderlies for Offrs Mess - Inservienti mensa Ufficiali	4
Carpenters - Falegnami	5
Electricians - Elettricisti	2
Plumbers - Lattonieri	2
Masons - Muratori	1
Blacksmiths - Fabbro	2
Tinsmith - Stagnino	1
Total, Other Ranks Totale, graduati e truppa	92
Total, Italian Inmates "A" Special Reception Camp	93

[illegible] - Scritturale di contabilità	1	+
Clerk - Scritturale	1	+
General Dutyman - Militari per servizi vari	30	+
Cooks - Cucinieri	2	
Storeman - Magazzinieri	31	
Batmen - Attendenti	11	
Orderlies for Offrs Mess - Inservienti mensa Ufficiali	4	
Carpenters - Falegnami	5	
Electricians - Elettricisti	2	
Plumbers - Lattonieri	2	
Masons - Muratori	1	
Blacksmiths - Fabbro	1	
Tinsmith - Stagnino	1	
Total, Other Ranks	92	
Totale, graduati e truppa		
Total, Italian Inmates "X" Special Reception Camp	93	
Totale, d'un Reparto Italiano Complementi per Campo Assistenza Speciale "X"		

This estb.will NOT be implemented without AFHQ authority
Il presente organico NON puo entrare in vigore senza l'autorizzazione del Comando Alleato

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ITALIAN INCREMENT TO 'X' RFT TRG DEPOT

War Establishment

(i) Personnel

OC (Capt or Subaltern)	1
Total, Officers	1
Adm NCO (Sjt)	1
Shoemakers (Ptes)	2
Equipment Repairer	1
Tailor	1
Carpenter	1
General Dutymen	25 (a)
Cooks	10
Masseur (will be trained in occupational therapy)	1
Total, Italian Incr to 'X' Rft Trg Depot	43

(a) One to act as clerk

This establishment will not be implemented without AFHQ authority.

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Cooks	10
Masseur (will be trained in occupational therapy)	1
Total, Italian Incr to 'X' Rft Trg Depot	43

(a) One to act as clerk

This establishment will not be implemented without AFHQ authority.

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Amdt No. Date	1 July 45
Offrs	1
O.Rs	79
Total	80
M/Cs	-
Vehs	-
Trailers	-

AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE POST OFFICE R.E.

War Establishment.

(i) Personnel.

Officers (Captain)	1
Total, officers	1
C.S.M.	1
Total, WO, staff/Sgts and Sgts	1
Postal workers	
Cpls	3
L/Cpls	1
Ptes	50
Ptes for non-postal duties	24
Total, ranks file	78
Total, other ranks	79 (a)
TOTAL, An Italian Incr. to a Post Office R.E.	80

Postal Workers	
Cpls	3
L/Cpls	1
Ptes	50
Ptes for non-postal duties	24
Total, ranks file	78
Total, other ranks	79 (a)
TOTAL, An Italian Incr. to a Post Office R.E.	80

(a) To include 1 interpreter.

This Establishment will NOT be implemented without AFHQ Authority.

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STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATIVE TABLES - UNITS TO BE MADE SHIP SUPPLIED BUT NOT [illegible]

Serial	Unit	Present TE	Strength Offr	Strength OR	Proposed WE	Strength Offr	Strength OR
1	Italian Air Unit AHQ Incl AHQ Staff & Services Pool	CM/30/4	-	129	CM/1526/1	2	217
		CM/605/2	-	45			
	Air Office Liaison Unit	CM/550/2	-	1			
2	An Italian Incr to HQ An Area	CM/41/3	-	23	CM/1519/1	1	24
3	An Italian Incr to HQ L Sub Area	CM/118/3	-	15	CM/1520/1	-	16
4	Italian Incr to SHAPE	CM/115/2	-	194	CM/1523/1	2	210

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UNITS TO BE MADE SELF SUFFICIENT BUT NOT REQUIRING TPT — App C20 to Adm letter Sy/1-1 of 1/7/Jun 45

Strength Offrs	Strength OR	Proposed WE	Present Strength Offrs	Present Strength OR	Increase Offrs	Increase OR	Remarks
-	129						
-	45	CE/1526/1	2	217	2	15	Increase made up of HQ staff, which is minimum possible. Br unit to provide tpt.
-	1						
-	23	C./1519/1	1	24	1	1	Increase :- OC - 1 Adm NCO - 1 Br unit to provide Tpt
-	15	CE/1520/1	-	16	-	1	Increase of NCO i/c (Sjt) Br Unit to provide Transport
-	194	CE/1523/1	2	210	2	16	Increase :- Offrs - 2 Adm NCO - 1 Duty Sjts - 4 General Dutymen 10 Cook - 1 Total 18 It is considered that this increase is essential. The general dutymen are required to administer so large a unit.

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Serial No	U N I T	Present WE	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	Proposed WE	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	INCREASE Offrs	INCREASE ORs
5	Italian Incr to A Fd Survey Stores Depot RE (to be attached for all purposes to serial 1)	C&/235/1	-	16	C&/1527/1	-	17	-	1
6	An Italian Incr to A Reception Station Type A	C&/295/1	-	8	C&/1517/1	-	10	-	2
7	An Italian Incr to A Reception Station Type B	C&/296/1	-	12	C&/1518/1	-	14	-	2
8	An Italian Incr to A Mobile Laundry & Bath Unit	C&/301/1	-	67	C&/1509/1	1	67	-	-
9	An Italian Incr to A Base Hosp Laundry	C&/302/1	2	212	C&/1510/1	2	212	-	-
10	An Italian Vehicle Transit Park(Main)	C&/199/2	4	379	C&/1505/1	4	379	-	-
11	An Italian Veh Park 'B' Vehicles	C&/200/2	2	125	C&/1506/1	2	130	-	5
12	An Italian Incr to A Veh Disposal Unit	C&/462/1	2	210	C&/1514/1	2	210	-	-
13	An Italian Special VP Police Coy	C&/467/1	2	112	C&/1512/1	3	113	1	1

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MEIA letter SD/151
of 12 July 45

STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	Proposed WE	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	INCREASE Offrs	INCREASE ORs	REMARKS
-	16	C[illegible]/1527/1	-	17	-	1	More practical to give duty NCO and attach unit for all purposes to serial 1 than to include in serial 1. Cook also added as unit will be detached.
-	8	C[illegible]/1517/1	-	10	-	2	NCO i/c (Sjt) and cook added. Unit must be attached for all purposes to a local BR-ITI unit. Br unit to provide transport when necessary.
-	12	C[illegible]/1518/1	-	14	-	2	
-	67	C[illegible]/1509/1	1	67	-	-	Vehicles remain on Br Cadre.
2	212	C[illegible]/1510/1	2	212	-	-	" " " " "
4	379	C[illegible]/1505/1	4	379	-	-	" " " " "
2	125	C[illegible]/1506/1	2	130	-	5	Vehs remain on Br Cadre est. 5 specialists added for Carrier Maint Secs - to be deleted from C[illegible]/295/1.
2	210	C[illegible]/1514/1	2	210	-	-	Subaltern upgraded to Capt to act as OC unit. Tpt on Br est.
2	112	C[illegible]/1512/1	3	112	1	*	Increases :- one additional subaltern and CSM essential in view of duties of unit. Tpt remains on C[illegible]/409/1 under Br Cadre.

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Serial	UNIT	Present WE	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	Proposed WE	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	INCREASE Offrs	INCREASE ORs
14	Italian Increment to CIP Depot and Trg Est	C./164/3	-	61	C./1513/1	1	63	1	2
15	Italian Incr to ACC Trg Centre	C./113/2	-	42	C./1521/1	1	44	1	2
16	Italian Incr to Field Cookery Trg Centre	C./251/1	-	12	C./1522/1	-	14	-	2
17	Italian Incr to X Special Reception Camp	C./677/1	-	88	C./1525/1	1	92	1	4

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e No	STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	Proposed WE	STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	INCREASE Offrs	ORs	REMARKS
/3	-	61	C./1513/1	1	63	1	2	Increase :- OC - 1 CSM - 1 Adm NCO(S/Sgt) 1 Essential for adm of unit of this size
/2	-	42	C./1521/1	1	44	1	2	Increase :- OC - 1 Adm NCO - 1 Clerk - 1 One cook to be found from general dutymen. Tpt to be found by Br unit.
/1	-	12	C./1522/1	-	14	-	2	Increases :- NCO i/c (Sjt) and junior NCO for adm and clerical duties. Cook to be included in general dutymen. Tpt to be found by Br unit
	-	88	C./1525/1	1	92	1	4	Increases :- OC - 1 Adm NCO - 1 Clerk - 1 Cooks - 2 This staff considered minimum possible for unit of this size. Tpt to be found by Br unit.

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Serial No	U N I T	Present WE	STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	Proposed WE Offrs	ORs	Strength Offrs	ORs	INCREASE Offrs	ORs
18	Italian Increment to X Rft Trg Depot	C/414/1	-	41	C/1524/1		1	42	1	1
19	An Italian Unit to a Base Post Office	C/185/1	1	79	C/1550/1		1	79	-	-

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letter S3/131 dated
1st July 45.

STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	Proposed WE Offrs	ORs	Strength Offrs	ORs	INCREASE Offrs	ORs	REMARKS
-	41	C./1524/1	1	42	1	1		Increases:- OC - 1 Adm NCO - 1 One of the 10 cooks to cook for Italian Increment. Tpt to be found by Br unit.
1	79	C./1530/1	1	79	-	-		Tpt to be found by Br unit. Subaltern upgraded to Captain.

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Appx "D" to HQ letter
SE/181 of 17 Jul 45

Amdt No	2
Date	1 Jul 45
Offrs	16
OR	151
Total	167
M/cs	10
Vehs	25
Trailers	-

ITALIAN INTERNEE & COMBINED SERVICES DETAINED
INTERROGATION CENTRE

CE/508/1

Amendment No. 2

Add General Dutymen - 6

Amdt No	1
Date	1 Jul 45
Offrs	4
OR	277
Total	281
M/cs	-
Vehs	-
Trailers	-

ITALIAN INTERNEE MO A ND REMOUNT DEPOT FOR 1500 ANIMALS

CE/820/1

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Amendment No. 1

Add under rank and file (Ptes) - 1
under Distribution by trades
cooks (Ptes) - 1 (a)

Add Note (a) "For use of No. 1 School of Farriery

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC, (MMLA)

WAR ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE

10th Meeting held on Saturday 7th July '45

Present : Lt Col S.M. INGLEBY — Chairman
Col P.J. NOAKES — 'Q' Branch
Major S.D. ARCHER — 'A' Branch
Major J.L.F. CHEVINS — G(SD)

MINUTES

Serial No	Category		War Establishment
46	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN ARTISAN WORKS COMPANY	CM/1500/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 6 offrs and 250 ORs.
It was decided by the Committee that an allocation of vehs was necessary for the operation of this unit. Tpt was added accordingly. ✓

47	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN DETACHMENT TO AN ENGR WORKSHOPS REC	CM/1501/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 106 ORs.
The Committee decided that adm tpt would be necessary if the unit was to be self-administering. ✓
Tpt was added and personnel adjusted accordingly.

Serial No	Category		W.E. Establishment
46	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN ARTISAN WORKS COMPANY	CM/1500/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 6 offrs and 250 ORs.
It was decided by the Committee that an allocation of vehs was necessary for the operation of this unit. Tpt was added accordingly. ✓

47	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN DETACHMENT TO AN ENGR WORKSHOPS SEC	CM/1501/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 108 ORs.
The Committee decided that adm tpt would be necessary if the unit was to be self-administering. Tpt was added and personnel adjusted accordingly. ✓

48	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SECTION	CM/1502/1 4004

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 57 ORs.
The Committee decided that if the unit was to be fully self-administering tpt would be necessary. Tpt was added and drivers adjusted accordingly. ✓

49	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN RETURNED STORES COMPANY	CM/1504/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 153 ORs.
The Committee decided that, if the unit was to be self-administering tpt would be necessary. Tpt was added and drivers adjusted accordingly, as no tpt was allotted to Br Cadre establishment. ✓

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
50	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN GENERAL STORES COMPANY	CM/15C3/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 89 ORs.
The Committee decided that if the unit was to be fully self-administering tpt would be necessary. As no tpt was alloted to Br Cadre establishment tpt was allotted and drivers adjusted accordingly.

51	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN VEHICLE TRANSIT PARK (MAIN)	CM/1505/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 379 ORs.
It was decided that no tpt should be added to the est as tpt will be held in Br Cadre est.

52	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN VEHICLE PARK ("B" VEHICLES)	CM/1506/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 130 ORs.
It was decided that no tpt should be added to the est as tpt will be held in Br Cadre est. This est also includes 5 specialist ex-cooperators transferred from . Central Maint Sec (CM/290/1).

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53	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN MT STORES COMPANY	CM/1507/1

51 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN VEHICLE TRANSIT PARK (MAIN) CL/1505/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 379 ORs.
It was decided that no tpt should be added to the est as tpt will be held in Br Cadre est.

52 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN VEHICLE PARK ("B" VEHICLES) CL/1506/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 150 ORs.
It was decided that no tpt should be added to the est as tpt will be held in Br Cadre est. This est also includes 5 specialist ex-cooper-ators transferred from 2 Corps Maint Sec (CL/290/1).

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53 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN MT STORES COMPANY CL/1507/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 160 ORs.
The Committee decided that adn tpt was necessary, as the Br Cadre was allotted no tpt, a veh and driver was added.

54 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN AMMUNITION COMPANY CL/1508/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 55 ORs.
The Committee decided that domestic tpt was required by the unit and as no tpt is allotted in the Br Cadre est tpt was added and drivers adjusted accordingly.
The amdt approved at WEC 8 Serial 33 was included.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
55	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A MOBILE LAUNDRY AND BATH UNIT This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 offr and 57 ORs. As tpt is held on Br unit, no tpt was allotted.	CM/1509/1
56	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE HOSPITAL LAUNDRY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 2 offrs and 212 ORs. No tpt was necessary as tpt was held on est of Br unit.	CM/1510/1
57	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN TECHNICAL STORES COMPANY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 4 offrs and 94 ORs. The Committee decided that adn tpt should be added as no tpt was available on the Br Cadre est.	CM/1511/1
58	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN SPECIAL V.P. POLICE COMPANY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 3 offrs and 114 ORs. It was decided that no tpt was necessary as it would be held on the Br Cadre est.	CM/1512/1

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
55	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A MOBILE LAUNDRY AND BATH UNIT This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 offr and 67 ORs. As tpt is held on Br unit, no tpt was allotted.	CM/1509/1
56	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE HOSPITAL LAUNDRY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 2 offrs and 212 ORs. No tpt was necessary as tpt was held on est of Br unit.	CM/1510/1
57	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN TECHNICAL STORES COMPANY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 4 offrs and 94 ORs. The Committee decided that add tpt should be added as no tpt was available on the Br Cadre est.	CM/1511/1
58	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN SPECIAL V.P. POLICE COMPANY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 3 offrs and 114 ORs. It was decided that no tpt was necessary as it would be held on the Br Cadre est.	CM/1512/1

est of Dr unit.

57 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN TECHNICAL STORES COMPANY CM/1511/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 94 ORs.
The Committee decided that adm tpt should be added as no tpt was available on the Dr Cadre est.

58 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN SPECIAL V.P. POLICE COMPANY CM/1512/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 3 offrs and 114 ORs.
It was decided that no tpt was necessary as it would be held on the Dr Cadre est.

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59 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN PROVOST COMPANY CM/408/2

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It supersedes CM/407/1 and consists of 2 offrs and 98 ORs.
The Committee decided that adm tpt was required to enable it to operate. One veh and one driver was added accordingly.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
60	Ex Cooperator	A DOG PROVOST COMPANY This est was NOT approved. The proposed est consisted of an HQ to administer 6 secs each of 3 ex - cooperator cooks . The secs are spread over a wide area of Italy. It was considered that the difficulties in making a self-administering unit of this personnel, were insuperable, since the HQ could not adequately control a unit spread over so large an area and the 3 men with secs could not be self- admin--istering on a separate W.E.	
61	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO CMP DEPOT AND THS EST This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 offr and 63 ORs. The Committee decided that tpt should be found by the Br unit for all adm purposes.	CM/1513/1 No
62	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A VEHICLE DISPOSAL UNIT This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 2 offrs and 210 ORs. Tpt was not added as tpt is allotted on Br Cadre est.	CM/1514/1 ✓
63	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN WORKSHOP COMPANY This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July	CM/1515/1 3998

61 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO CMP DEPOT AND TRG EST CA/1513/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 65 ORs.
The Committee decided that tpt should be found by the Dr unit for all adm purposes.

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62 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A VEHICLE DISPOSAL UNIT CA/1514/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 210 ORs.
Tpt was not added as tpt is allotted on Dr Cadre est.

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63 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN WORKSHOP COMPANY CA/1515/1 2993

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 4 offrs and 305 ORs.
The Committee decided that an allocation of tpt for unit adm was necessary. Tpt was added accordingly.

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64 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A FIRE-FIGHTING COY CA/1516/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 102 ORs.
The Committee decided that the unit would require adm tpt particularly as the HQ will be responsible for supervision of personnel att to First Class Fire Brigades. Tpt and drivers were added accordingly.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
65	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A RECEPTION STATION TYPE "A"	CM/1517/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 10 other ranks.
It was considered that an allocation of tpt for so small a unit was uneconomic.
Tpt was therefore omitted from the est.

66	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A RECEPTION STATION TYPE "B"	CM/1518/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 14 ORs.
The Committee decided that an allocation of tpt for so small a unit was uneconomic, and it was accordingly omitted.

67	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO GENERAL HOSPITALS	CM/347/2

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It supersedes CM/347/1 and consists of 1 offr and 30 ORs for a 600 bedded general hospital and 1 offr and 50 ORs for a 1,200 bedded hospital.
The Committee decided that some adm tpt would be required by the unit. Tpt was added and drivers adjusted accordingly.

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56 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A RECEPTION STATION TYPE "B" CH/1518/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 14 ORs.
The Committee decided that an allocation of tpt for so small a unit was uneconomic, and it was accordingly omitted.

67 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO GENERAL HOSPITALS CH/347/2

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It supersedes CH/347/1 and consists of 1 offr and 30 ORs for a 600 bedded general hospital and 1 offr and 50 ORs for a 1,200 bedded hospital.
The Committee decided that some adm tpt would be required by the unit. 4pt was added and drivers adjusted accordingly.

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68 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE SALVAGE DEPOT

The proposed est was NOT approved as it was considered that the unit was too small to be made self-administering economically.
It was decided to recommend that the ex-cooperators be demobilised and reemployed as civilians.

69 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO HQ AN AREA CH/1519/1

This est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 24 ORs
The Committee decided that adm tpt for the unit should be found from the Area HQ est or Area tpt pool. No tpt was added to this est.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
70	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO HQ A SUB AREA	CX/1520/1
		This new establishment was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 16 ORs. Tpt would be provided by Sub Area HQ or Sub Area tpt pool. No tpt was therefore included.	✓
71	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A.C.C. TRAINING CENTRE	CX/1521/1
		This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 offr and 44 ORs. As this is a purely domestic increment it was considered that the Br unit would be responsible for providing extra tpt. No tpt was therefore included in the W.E.	✓
72	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO MD COOKERY TRG CENTRE	CX/1522/1
		This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 14 other ranks. It was decided that as the unit was an adm increment to a Br unit, the Br unit would be responsible for providing necessary tpt. Tpt was not therefore added to the est.	✓
73	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO S.M.E.	CX/1523/1
		This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.	✓

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It consists of 1 offr and 12 ORs.
As this is a purely domestic increment it was considered that the Br unit would be responsible for providing add tpt. No tpt was therefore included in the W.E.

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72 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO ED COOKERY TRG CENTRE CX/1522/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 11 other ranks.
It was decided that as the unit was an add. increment to a Br unit, the Br unit would be responsible for providing necessary tpt. Tpt was not therefore added to the est.

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73 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO S.E.E. CX/1523/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 240 ORs.
Tpt was not added for reasons similar to serial 72 above.

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74 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO "X" RFT TRG CENTRE CX/1524/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 42 ORs.
No tpt was allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
75	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN ENCREMENT TO "A" SPECIAL INTERNMENT CAMP	CM/1525/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 92 ORs.
No tpt was allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

76	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN ADM UNIT, A.F.H.Q.	CM/1526/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 2 offrs and 217 ORs and incorporates ex-cooperator personnel for A.F.H.Q. (CM/30/4), A.F.H.Q. Staff and Services Pool (CM/605/2) and Officer's Mess Unit, A.F.H.Q. (CM/550/2).
No tpt was allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

77	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN ENCREMENT TO A FIELD SURVEY DEPOT, RE.	CM/1527/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 17 ORs and is designed to be attached for all purposes to Italian Adm Unit A.F.H.Q. (CM/1526/1).
Tpt was not allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

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78	Ex Cooperator	AN ITALIAN PIONEER COMPANY	CM/1528/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July

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This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 2 offrs and 217 ORs and incorporates ex-cooperator personnel for A.F.H.Q. (CM/30/4), A.F.H.Q. Staff and Services Pool (CM/605/2) and Officer's Mess Unit, A.F.H.Q. (CM/550/2).

No tpt was allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

77 Ex Cooperator ITALIAN ENGINEER TO A FIELD SURVEY DEPOT, RE. CM/1527/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 17 ORs and is designed to be attached for all purposes to Italian Adm Unit A.F.H.Q. (CM/1526/1).

Tpt was not allotted for reasons given in serial 72 above.

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78 Ex Cooperator AN ITALIAN PIONEER COMPANY CM/1526/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 4 offrs and 282 ORs.

Tpt was added to the est as it was considered essential that the unit should be self-sufficient with regards to tpt, especially if no Br Cadre was allotted.

79 Ex Cooperator HQ AN ITALIAN COMPANY (PIONEER) CM/1529/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

It consists of 5 offrs and 35 ORs.

The Committee decided that, as the HQ would have it's own own domestic tpt requirements besides being responsible for supervising adm arrangements of sections, tpt was necessary. This was added accordingly.

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Serial No	Category		War Establishment
80	Ex Cooperator	INCREMENT TO C.S.D.I.C. The following amdt was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence:- add General Dutymen 6. Will be promulgated as amdt No 2 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.	CM/303/1
81	Ex Cooperator	INCREMENT TO A BD REMOUNT DEPOT FOR 1,500 ANIMALS The following amdt was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. add under rank and file Ptes 1(a) add under distribution by trades cooks (ptes) 1(a) add "Note" (a) for use of No 1 School of Farriery Will be promulgated as amdt No 1 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.	CM/320/1
82	Ex Cooperator	ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE DEPOT POST OFFICE, RE. This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 offr and 79 ORs. The Committee agreed that the Br unit which is alloted adm tpt, would have to be responsible for the adm of the increment and that no allocation of tpt was justified. Tpt was therefore omitted from the est.	CM/1530/1 3997

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The following amdt was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.

add under rank and file Ptes 1(a)
add under distribution by trades
cooks (ptes) 1(a)

add

"Note"
(a) for use of No 1 School of Farriery

Will be promulgated as amdt No 1 on receipt of AFHQ concurrence.

82 Br Cooperator ITALIAN INCREMENT TO A BASE DEPOT POST OFFICE, RE. G3/1530/1

This new est was approved w.e.f. 1 July 45, subject to AFHQ concurrence.
It consists of 1 offr and 79 ORs.
The Committee agreed that the Br unit which is alloted adm tpt, would have to be responsible for the adm of the increment and that no allocation of tpt was justified.
Tpt was therefore omitted from the est.

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New war establishments will not be implemented without AFHQ authority.

10 July 45

Secretary,
War Establishments Committee.

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AG 387.4/079 GCT-O

13 July 1945

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Italian Ex-Prisoners of War Cooperator Units under British Control

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission, MMLA
General Officer Commanding, Number 1 District
General Officer Commanding, Number 2 District
General Officer Commanding, Number 3 District
Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command, APO 794
Camp Commandant, Allied Force Headquarters
Supervising Officer, Allied Force Headquarters

1. Reference is made to Appendix "B" of letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 25 June 1945.

2. It has been decided that all Italian Cooperators on AFHQ Staff and Services Pool WE CM/305/2, will be replaced by civilians. An amendment will be issued placing the unit in Appendix "D" of the letter under reference. Headquarters in possession of ex-cooperator members of the unit are requested to substitute civilians. Ex-cooperators may be offered re-employment as civilians in accordance with paragraph 2(b) of Letter, this headquarters, file AG 387.4/079 GCT-O, dated 15 June 1945, subject: "Release from Prisoner of War Status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily". The "Pool Instructions" (paragraphs 32, 33 and 36) are being amended accordingly.

3. The "Italian Administrative Staff" portions of the WEs of an Area Sub-Area Headquarters (CM/41/3 and CM/118/3) are being deleted from the above WEs and re-written as separate WEs. These separate WEs will allow for substitution of civilians for all personnel except officers and Non-commissioned officers. On receipt of copies of the new WEs, addresses with Area or Sub-Area headquarters under command will forward full details of Italian Army personnel required, to MMLA, copy to G-3, this headquarters. The List of Headquarters concerned is shown on page 5 of Appendix "B" to the letter under reference.

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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EDMUND R. SHUGART
Colonel, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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Subject: Transfer of Br Corps troops to the Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)

SD/131

12 July 45

TO : WAR MINISTRY

484 See 28A (NEW COVER)

Reference this HQ letter SD/131 of 26 June 45 as amended by this HQ letter SD/131 of 2 July 45.

The following further amendments are notified :-

65 (a) Under Appendix "A" Part I

Add new serials as below

Serial No	UNIT	PROVISIONAL WE STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	LOCATION
43B	Incr to 102 (SA) Gen Hosp	-	30 or	BARI
43C	" " 107 " " "	-	90 OAs	FLORENCE
43D	" " 106 " " "		according to size of hospital	MILAN
136	1060 Italian Port Maint Coy	-	57	ANCONA
137	1062 " " " "	-	57	BARI
138	GHQ 2 nd Echelon	1	270	NAPLES

Add against serial 8A under remarks :-

"To have same WE as Italian Workshops Coy(see serials 76-79)"

Under serial 47

For "90 Gen Hospital" substitute"50 Gen Hospital" 398

(b) Under Appendix "A" Part II

No			PROVISIONAL WE STRENGTH Offrs	Ors	LOCATION	
43B	Incr to 102 (SA) Gen Hosp		-	30 or	BARI	
43C	" " 107 " " "		-	50 Ors	FLORENCE	
43D	" " 108 " " "			according to size of Hospital	MILAN	
136	1060 Italian Port Maint Coy		-	57	ANCONA	
137	1962 " " " "		-	57	BARI	
138	GHQ 2 nd Echelon		1	270	FERRARA	

Add against serial 84 under remarks -

"To have same WE as Italian Workshops Coy(see serials 76-78)"

Under serial 43

For "90 Gen Hospital" substitute"50 Gen Hospital" 3983

(b) Under Appendix "A" Part II

Delete serials 4 and 5.

(c) Under Appendix "B"

Delete serial 1

Add new serial as below

67	Italian Incr to HQ 15 Army Gp	?	?	VERONA	Unit to be retained without addt to WE pending disbandment at an early date.

Amend serials 8 - 11 as below

For Tk & Armoured Car Maint Secs substitute AFV (Tk & Armoured Car) Maint Sec

P 1/2/2

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Tel : BARI 11458

Subject : Conversion of PW Cooperators into Gft-ITI Troops.

GD/131

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A/C
(MMIA) c/o Hq 64 Area

Ref :LO/19/GD
4 July 45

To : 227 Div East Det

Ref LO/19/GD of 2 Jul 45. and conversation Major Mirabella - Holt.

1. Attached at Appx A is a list of small cooperator detachments in 62 Area NOT included in Appx A to the above quoted letter.

2. An Italian Liaison officer will attend the meeting at 1100 hrs on 10 July with particulars of these units, and suggestions regarding their administration.

[signature]
Maj
Senior MMIA LO
Eastern Italy

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62 Area
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Appx A to LO/19/SD

Additional units to be handed over on 15 July 46

Ser. No.	Units	Location	Strength Offrs	ORs	Total	Remarks
1.	HQ 52 Area ✓	Taranto	1	25	26	
2	487 GT Coy ✓	Taranto	-	17	17	
3	28 ASD ✓	Brindisi	-	17	17	
4	72 DID ✓	Brindisi	-	6	6	
5	1764 Coop Indep Wks RASC ✓	Brindisi	-	36	36	
6	2 Rest & Trasit Camp ✓	"	-	25	25	
7	6 British Fd Hospital	"	1	17	18	
8	9 First Cl Fire Bde ✓	Tarento	-	23	23	
9	607 Fire Bde ✓	Brindisi	-	23	23	
	TOTAL		2	149	151	

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Tel : BARI 11488

Subject : Italian Cooperaters
Amdt No 2 to LO/19/SD of 30 June

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A/C
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area

Ref : LO/19/SD
7 July 45

To : 227 Div East Det

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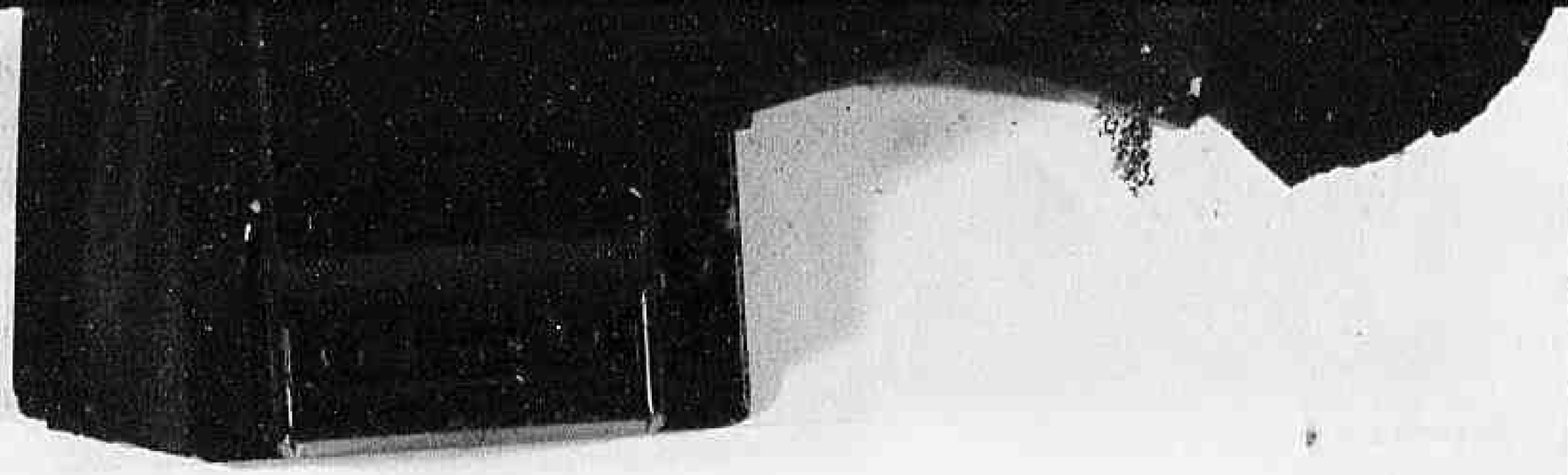
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AG 387.4/079 GCT-O

6 July 1945

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Italian Ex-PW Cooperator Units under British Control

TO: All Concerned

1. Reference is made to letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 25 June 1945 and Appendices A, B and D thereto.

2 The following amendments will be made:

APPENDIX 'A' - Page 1;

WE	DESIGNATION	LAST REPORTED LOCATION	REMARKS
	ADD Headquarters Units:		
CM/13/6	Italian Incr to Hq 15th Army Group	VERONA	(Unit to be retained (without amendment to (WE pending disband- (ment at an early date.

APPENDIX 'B' - Page 1;

Against Hq 3 District Incr (b) ADD under "REMARKS" - "New WE to be written by 3 District"

ADD Headquarters Units:

CM/284/1	GHQ 2d Echelon	MADDALONI

UNDER 'MED' Add following:

CM/347/1	Incr to 102 (SA) Gen Hosp (b)	BARI
CM/347/1	Incr to 107 (SA) Gen Hosp (b)	FLORENCE
CM/347/1	Incr to 108 (SA) Gen Hosp (b)	MILAN

For "99th Gen Hospital" Substitute "50th Gen Hospital"

Page 3

Against 3 Special VP Police Coy (a) add under "REMARKS": "to be included in 3 District increment"

Against 637 Italian Pnr Coy (a) ADD under "REMARKS": "To have same WE as Italian Wkspe Coy"

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APPENDIX 'D'

DELETE - GHQ 2d Echelon and all detail.

Under "Armored Corps", amend titles to read:

"AFV (Tk and Armd C) Maint Sec"

Under "ENGR-Tn":

DELETE remark against (1037 Port Maint Coy)
(1060 Port Maint Sec)
(1062 Port Maint Sec)

and INSERT against 1060 Port Maint Sec;
"Personnel to be transferred to 924
Italian Docks Op Coy"

Against 1062 Port Maint Sec INSERT;
"Personnel to be transferred to 922
Italian Docks Op Coy"

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

R. A. STUKEY
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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Tel: BARI 11458

SD/131

Subject:- Conversion of Italian (POW) Servia Units under U.S. Control to US - ITIs.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area

Ref : LO/19/SD
3 July 45

To:- 9 Terr HQ.

Ref. 3064/Ord of 22 June and 3079/Ord of 23 June.
Please let me have a complete return in duplicate of Italian (P.O.W.) Service Units under U.S. Control Converted to BR - ITI units,

On the proforma in Appx C to LO/19/SD of 30 June, by 30 July.

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GSO 2 (Q) .....
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GSO 3 (Ops) .....
GSO 3 (Int) .....

F.G.

Maj

Senior MMIA LO
Eastern Italy

SD/131

Copy to:- HQ M.M.I.A.

GPH/jd

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50/131 (71)

Subject :- Italian ex P.W's eligible for discharge whose residence is in TUNISIA.

Land Force Sub Comm.A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
F O M E.
A105/1.
5 July '45.

To :- Minister of War.

This Mission has recently been informed that 10 Italian military personnel, who will soon be discharged because within the demobilizable age limit, are domiciled in TUNISIA.

For the present this personnel will not be permitted to enter TUNISIA due to refusal on the part of the French Government.

As the French Government is officially represented in Italy it is deemed opportune that this matter be referred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for official representation and solution.

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

HP/mh.

FILE 50/131
DATE 6/7

GSO 1 347
GSO 2 (Ops) 15
GSO 2 (I)
GSO 2 (I)
GSO 2 (Ops)
GSO 3 (Ops)
GSO 3 (I)

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RI 11468

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t:Italian Cooperators.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) 54 Area

Ref.: LO/19/SD.
3 July 45

To: 227 Div. East Det.

Amdt. No.1 to LO/19/SD.of 30 June

1. Appx. A.

Delete Serials 11.12. and 24
Serial 29 Total should now read as follows:
22 1693 1715

2. Appx. B.

Delete Serials 3 and 6.
Serial 9. Total should now read as follows:
12. 688 700

Major
Senior M.M.I.A. LO
Eastern Italy.

GPH/MN

Copy to:
54 Area
HQ MMIA
9 Terr.HQ

GSO 1 .....
GSO 2 (Ops) .....
GSO 2 (I) .....
GSO 2 (Air) X 8969
GSO 2 (Q) .....
GSO 3 (Ops) X X
GSO 3 (I) X X
ATO (Int) .....

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM : M M I A LO 54 AREA

TO : 54 AREA

INFO : HQ MMIA
227 DIV EAST DET
9 TERR HQ (BY HAND)

REF : SD/201

3 0935 B
RESTRICTED

REF LO/19/SD OF 30 JUNE TO 54 AREA AND OF 2 JUL TO 52 AREA (.) REQUEST RETURN OF COOPERATION UNITS AND DETACHMENTS NO LONGER REQUIRED BY YOU (.)

SD DISTRIBUTION

Action Copy: SD/131

30/4/7/45

GSO 1 .....
GSO 2 (Ops) .....
GSO 2 (Int) .....
GSO 2 (N) .....
GSO 2 (A) .....
GSO 2 (R) .....
GSO 3 .....
GSO 3 (I) .....

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

DATE 03 1800 TIME B

FROM : MAIA

TO : 54 AREA

INFO : DISTHREE
54 AREA
OO BR CADRE 804 BRD

REF : SD 2820

RESTRICTED

FOR M A I A L O .(.) REF YOUR SD 199 OF 29 (.)
IT IS NOT CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO RETAIN 804 B R D
FOR DEALING WITH COOPERATORS (.) INSTRUCTIONS IN
A F H Q LETTER G-1 (BR) 1074/A.1. (SER 2544) OF
28 JUN FOR DISBANDMENT WEF 15 JUL VIDE M A I A
LETTER SD/29/2 OF 1 JUL STAND

SD/29/2 F.

PRECEDENCE Routine

AUTHENTICATED

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INTERNAL: A, Q (Two),

FILE : SD/29/2
SD/131

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Tel. BARI 11468

Subject:- Conversion of PW Cooperators into BR-ITI Troops.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm., A.C.
(MMIA)c/o H.Q. 64 Area

Ref: LO/13/ SD
30 June 46

To:- 227 Div. East Det.

Ref.: SD/131 of 21st June, Copies attached.

1 Method of Change Over

(a) It has been decided to make the change over of Cooperator units in 64 Area in two phases.

(b) The units in the first phase will come under full Italian administration incl.rations, by 5 July ; those in the second by 10 July.

(c) The units covered by the two phases are shown respectively in Appxes A&B attached.

2 Action Necessary

(a) 64 Area is requested to instruct a representative of each unit preferably the senior officer or NCO. to report to
227 Division Vice Commando
156 Corso Sicilia (opposite the Prison)
Bari
as follows:-
Units in Appx A 10.00 hrs. 2 July
" " " B 11.00 hrs. 5 July

(b) 227 Div. East Det. will arrange with the representatives, so present to take over administration, documentary and disciplinary control by the dates specified. Each rep should bring all particulars of his unit

3 Reconstitution of units

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(a) To this end the following alternatives will be adopted:
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(b) Units incapable of self adminstration, whose work is still required by the British Military authorities will be attached to neigbouring SR-ITI units for administration.

(c) Units incapable of self administration and NOT required, will be broken up and their personnel sent to this SR-III rit depot.

4 Leave and Discharge

(a) As soon as the units have been converted to SR-ITI the regulations regarding discharge and leave for military personnel in this category will be put into effect without delay.

(b) Personnel under 3(a) and (b) will NOT however be released until replacements have been made available.

NARA-1
RG 30/31
Box 8/6

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5 Further Action

It may be necessary for 227 Div.Vice Commando to modify the initial action taken under paras 2(b) and 3.In doubtful cases they will visit the units concerned and consult me as necessary.

6 The Hand Over

(a) It is important that the hand over shall take place as smoothly as possible,and that al parties should work together to minimize the inevitable difficulties.

(b) To avoid discontent as far as possible arrangements for leave and discharge should be pushed forward with the least delay.

(c) The Italian authorities are urged to do all they can to ensure that the cooperators accept their new status as Italian military loyally and dutifully.

7 Return of New Units

227 Div.Vice Commando will forward to me in duplicate a return of cooperator units in 54 Area converted to AR-ITI units on the proforma in Appx C.by 30 July.

8 52 Area

A similar arrangement will be made for cooperator units in 52 Area as soon as the list of units,their strength and location is to hand.

Grisolt Major
Senior [illegible]
Eastern Italy

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7 Return of New Units

227 Div.Vice Commando will forward to me in duplicate a return of cooperator units in 64 Area converted to ZR-ITI units on the proforma in Appx C. by 30 July.

8 62 Area

A similar arrangement will be made for cooperator units in 62 Area as soon as the list of units, their strength and location is to hand.

Major
Senior [illegible] LO
Eastern Italy

3962

Copy to:- 64 Area
Hq MAIA
9 Terr. Hq.

GrH/MS

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App A to LO/19/SD.

Units to be handed over on 5 July 45.

Serial N°	Unit	Location	Strength Offs	Strength Ors	Strength Total	Remarks
1.	Det with HQ 54 Area	BARI	1	29	30	
2.	HQ 153 Fire fighting Coy	"	1	5	6	
3.	58 First CC fire Bde	"	-	24	24	
4.	Det 773 Coop Art Wks Coy	"	1	46	47	
5.	Det with 1 ESBD	"	-	108	108	
6.	86 Coop E & M PL	"	-	55	55	Addition Offs & NCOs requested by CRE wks
7.	1062 Coop Port Maint Sec	"	-	53	53	
8.	5 Base Transfusion Unit	"	-	18	18	
9.	637 Coop Fmr Coy	"	2	273	275	
10	27 Base Salvage Unit	~~ANDRIA~~	-	~~7~~	~~7~~	
11	~~2 Sec B Dog Pro Coy~~	~~S. SPIRITO~~	-	~~2~~	~~2~~	
12	~~3 Sec B Dog Pro Coy~~	~~TERLIZZI~~	-	~~3~~	~~3~~	
13	2 Det 403 Co-op Ord Veh Transit Pk(Main)	MONOPOLI	-	41	41	
14	409 Co-op Ord RVP	TERLIZZI	2	123	125	
15	A Veh Dispcsal Unit	SOVERETO	2	220	222	
16	420 Co-op Ord Amn Coy	BITONTO	1	53	54	with 501
17	421 " " " " "	"	1	51	52	
18	425 " " " " "	"	1	50	51	
19	426 " " " " "	"	1	54	55	

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8.	5 Base Transfusion Unit	"	-	18	18	
9.	537 Coop Pur Coy	"	2	273	275	
10	~~27 Base Salvage Unit~~	~~ADELFIA~~	-	~~7~~	~~7~~	
11	~~3 Sec B Dog Pro Coy~~	~~S. SPIRITO~~	-	~~2~~	~~2~~	
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14	409 Co-op Ord RVP	TERLIZZI	2	123	125	
15	A Veh Disposal Unit	SOVERETO	2	220	222	
16	420 Co-op Ord Amm Coy	BITONTO	1	53	54	with 501 3990
17	421 " " " " "	"	1	51	52	
18	425 " " " " "	"	1	50	51	
19	426 " " " " "	"	1	54	55	
20	404 Coop Ord MT Stores Coy	BARI	2	145	147	with Ord Dpt BARI
21	405 " " " "	"	2	94	96	"
22	418 " " " "	"	5	143	148	"
23	1766 Pl 304 G.T. Coy	"	-	39	39	
24	~~1764 Pl 304 G.T. Coy~~	"	-	~~39~~	~~39~~	
25	84 Coop Increment to 27 BSD	"	-	17	17	
26	86 " " 43 BSD	"	-	15	15	

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27	87 Coop Inrement to 46 BSD	BARI	-	17	17
28	Det with 429 Coy RASC (G.T.)	"	-	13	13
29	TOTAL			22 ~~1737~~ ~~1759~~ +613 ~~+715~~	This Det will NOT convert before 20 Jul for admin reasons

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App B to LO/19/SD.

Units to be handed over on 10 July 45.

Ser No	Unit	Location	Strength Offrs	ORs	Total
1	607 1st Cl Fire Bde	BRINDISI	-	23	23
2	608 ------"------	BARLETTA	-	23	23
3	Det with 34 Reception Station	FOGGIA	-	12	12
4	2736 Co-op Fwr Coy	FOGGIA	6	281	287
5	Det with 613 L of C Wksps	LUCERA	2	117	119
6	617 Service Stn	FOGGIA	-	27	27
7	412 Co-op Ord Veh Pk	LUCERA	4	224	228
8	Det with 197 BTB	FOGGIA	-	20	20
9	TOTAL		12	727 688	739 700

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SECRET 66.

G2(SD)/1615/Co

AFHQ
G-5

SD/131

30 June 45

SUBJECT:- Release of Italian Cooperators and Non-Cooperators after Completion of Hostilities

With reference to AFHQ letter, AG 387.4/079 GCT-O dated 25 June 45.

It is noted that this Headquarters W.E., G2/234/1, has been included in Appendix 'D' under the category of, "Units to be Withdrawn and Replaced by Civilians".

Since this is regarded to be most unsatisfactory it is requested that an amendment may be issued to include this HQ in Appendix 'D' under the category of, "Units to be Retained after Amendments have been made to the War Establishment".

May an early reply please be given.

(Sgd) G. B. Thompson
Col
for Brigadier,
D.A.C.,
CSS, 2nd Echelon.

C.M.F.

Copy to:- AHIA

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G50 1
G50 2 (Ops)
G50 2 (Int)
G50 3 (a)
G50 3 (Air)
G50 3 (Plans)
G50 3 (b)

RESTRICTED

Subject : Transfer of British Cooperators to Italian Army

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC (MMIA)

SD/131

2 July 45

TO : War Ministry

Reference our SD/131 of 26 June 45.

1. The following additional units are notified :-

(a) Add under Appendix "A" - Part I

Serial No	U N I T	PROVISIONAL WE STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	LOCATION
39A	12 Engr Wksp Section	2	110	BARI
40A	Incr to 11 Gen Hospital	1	31	IESI
43A	Incr to 100 Gen Hospital	1	51	PERUGIA
79A	749 Italian Wksps Coy	4	305	ROME
134	5 Base Post Office	1	79	NAPLES
135	B Coy 40 Base Hospital Laundry	?	?	NAPLES

(b) Add under Appendix "A" Part II

10A	199 DID	CS/247/1	-	18	IV/106/1	2	25	ROME

(c) Under Appendix "D"

Serial 10 for 5 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn read 3 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn.

Serial 8 for 3 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn read 1 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn.

Serial 28 delete all detail.

Under NOTE for serials 55-62 read 57-65.

2. The following latest changes of location are notified :-

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(c) Under Appendix "B"

Serial 10 for 5 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn read 3 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn.
Serial 0 for 3 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn read 1 Tk & Armoured Car Maint Sqn.
Serial 28 delete all detail.

Under NOTE for serials 55-62 read 57-65.

2. The following latest changes of location are notified :-

(a) Under Appendix "A" - Part I

Serial 16 for PERUGIA read ARRZZO
" 64 " NAPLES " PONTECAGNANO
" 73 " FAENZA " LUCERA
" 77 " CAPUA " NAPLES
" 111 " TORRE ANNUNCIATA read ROME
" 117 " AREZZO read CASTIGLIONE
" 120 " BARI " ADELFHIA

(b) Under Appendix "A"-Part II

Serial 7 for CASTELLAMMPE read TORRE DEL GRECO
" 9 " FORLI " CAPUA
" 11 insert AREZZO
" 15 for 56 Area " AFRAGOLA
" 18 " 5 Army " MODENA
" 19 " AREZZO " FORLI
" 21 " CASTELLAMMRE " SALERNONE
" 22 " NAPLES " MARIGLIANO
" 23 " NAPLES " BRINDISI
" 24 " CASTELLAMMPE " NAPLES
" 25 " BARI " FESCA

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: MGLA LO 54 ARMA

TO : RQ MGLA

INFO: DISTHRSE
34 ARMA
OC BR INGR 804 BRD

INFO COPY ONLY

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RESTRICTED

REF : SD 199

REF A 1129 OF 21 JUNE STRONGLY REARMED DISARMAMENT
8 0 4 B R D T R A N I BE POSTPONED UNTILL FIRST
HALF AUGUST (.) CONSIDER WILL BE REQUIRED FOR
DEALING WITH AND REALLOCATING COOPERATORS FROM
DELETED UNITS (.) SEE SECOND SENTENCE OF PARA 2 (A)
OF SD 131 OF 2 JUNE 45

SD DISTRIBUTION:

ACTION: SD/29/2

INFO: SD/131
A
Q (Two)

jv 30 June 45

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COPY INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM: DISTHREE 291705 B

TO : Q 52 AREA,
Q 54 AREA RESTRICTED

INFO: MMIA LO 54 AREA,
MMIA

REF : QG 2951

ADDRESSEES WILL FORTHWITH SIGNAL TO M M I A L O
5 5 A R E A DESIGNATION OF UNIT STRENGTH AND
LOCATION OF ALL COOPERATOR UNITS TO BE CONVERTED
Br-Iti
TO ~~BRITISH~~ WEF 1 JUL (.)
FOR M M I A L O 5 4 A R E A ON RECEIPT
OF THIS INFM INFORM 2 2 7 D I V AND ARRANGE
PLACING OF SUPS WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY (.)
3 WEEKS DELAY SUGGESTED BY 2 2 2 D I V NOT
ACCEPTED

7.4.5 - 46
Lufa.

SD DISTRIBUTION:

ACTION : SD/131
INFO: A

GSO 1
GSO 2 (Pers) X 709 X
GSO 2 (Ops) X 15 X
GSO 2 DMS X
GSO 2 3952
GSO 3 (Ops)
GSO 3 (Trg)
GSO 3 (I)

JV 30 June 45

WS

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
TRANSPORTATION (BRITISH) SECTION

SECRET
Tn1/S/57/2

25 June 45

To:- G-3 (AMO)

Subject:- Release from PW Status of Italian Cooperators.

1. Reference AG.387.4/079 GCT-O dated 16 June 45.

2. The following action is proposed in respect of the Cooperator units of this Service.

(i)	1061 Cooperator Docks Op Coy on WE CM/207/1 (Iti strength 4 Offrs 371 ORs)	Convert to Italian Docks Op Coy on WE CM/857/1 (Strength 7 Offrs 426 ORs)
	1063 - " -	- " -
	1060 Cooperator Port Maint Sec on WE CM/206/1 (Iti strength Offrs nil 57 ORs)	Disband and cancel WE. Post personnel to 924 Italian Docks Op Coy which is at the same port.
	1062 Cooperator Port Maint Sec on WE CM/206/1 (Iti strength Offrs nil 57 ORs)	Disband and cancel WE. Post personnel to 922 Italian Docks Op Coy which is at the same port.

Will you please arrange for the necessary conversion and disbandment orders to be issued and for the additional personnel required to be provided.

(ii) The British cadres of the above units will be transferred to separate WEs and will be used to supervise the reconstituted 1061 and 1063 Italian Docks Op Coys and also the existing 921, 922, 923, 924 Italian Docks Op Coys in order to achieve a higher standard of technical efficiency in the units.

A proposal will be submitted to the WD as soon as possible in respect of these British cadres.

(iii) The following British units are each diluted with 39 Cooperators.

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156 Tn Stores Coy RE
196 Tn Stores Coy RE
922 Tn Stores Coy RE

It is agreed that civilians may be employed in place of these Cooperators, and the WE on which these units are organised (WE CM/129/1) in fact states that "the above establishment may be supplemented with 39 POW and/or male civilians." No action is therefore necessary except to withdraw such cooperators as are actually present with the units.

GSO 2 (Ops)
GSO 2 (I)
GSO 2 (W)
GSO 2 (L)
GSO 2 (SD)
GSO 3 (Ops)

J.F.M. LEWIS Colonel
D.D.Tn
for Brig
Director of Transportation (Br)

MMIA - 'C'
FILE: Sqdn 21
DATE: 12/6

Copy to:- MMIA
D Tn, Tn (Br) Main - Reference para 2(ii) above will you please submit your proposal for the WE or WEs on which these British personnel should be held in future.

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This copy to G (SD)(WE)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

S.T.BRANCH.

AFHQ/4214/2/ST.
Tel Ext, FREEDOM 532.

SUBJECT :- Reorganisation of Co-operator Units.

24 Jun 45.

A.D.S.T.,
Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C. (MMIA) (2).

F.S.D.

The following amendment should be made to the units listed at para 1 of Appendix "A" to AFHQ/4214/2/ST, dated 20 Jun 45 :-

For "125 Co-operator Fd. Bakery (CM/220/1)."

Substitute "136 Co-operator Fd. Bakery (CM/220/1)."

Docket 9-11-45.

J.N.Raffe Maj

G-1 .....
G-2 .....
GSO 2 (W) .....
GSO 2 (C) .....
GSO 3 (Ops) .....
GSO 3 (Orbat) .....
GSO 3 (I) .....

Major General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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COPY TO:- D.D.S.T., 3 District.
Commandant, RASC Mobilisation Centre.
G-3 (Org) Foreign.

MMIA - 1
FILE: SD/132
DATE: 29/6

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FROM : AFHQ Sgd SACMED Cite FYGCT 28 2037 B

SECRET

TO : ALCOM
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DISTWO
DISTHREE
RAAC
MMIA

IMPORTANT

INFO : 15 ARMY GROUP
BR INCR 5 ARMY
8 ARMY

REF : FX 14402

OUR LETTER AG 387.4/079 GCT-O OF 15 AND 16 (.)

FIRST (.) PENDING APPROVAL TEMPORARILY INCREASED B R - I T I CEILINGS TO COVER TRANSFER OF ITALIAN COOPERATORS TO ITALIAN ARMY AUTHORITY IS GIVEN FOR CHANGE OF STATUS AT 0001HRS 1 JULY 45 AS DIRECTED IN LETTERS UNDER REFERENCE (.)

SECOND (.) 5,000 WILL BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITALIAN ARMY RATION COMMITMENT AT THAT DATE FROM AMONG UNITS TO BE DESIGNATED BY M M I A AS MOST READILY CAPABLE OF SUPPLY THROUGH ITALIAN DEPOTS (.) REMAINDER WILL REMAIN BRITISH SUPPLY COMMITMENT TILL FURTHER NOTICE (.) FOR SCALE AND S T PROCEDURE SEE FX 13714 (NOT TO ALL) (.)

THIRD (.) FOR ALCOM (.) AUTHORITY IS GIVEN TO PUBLICATION OF THE ABOVE CHANGE OF STATUS SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AS IN PARA 2 OF LETTER UNDER REFERENCE DATED 15 AND TO APPROVAL OF TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT BY PARA 4 F 90206 OF 9TH

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SD DISTRIBUTION:

ACTION : SD/151
A (Two)
Q ~~(Two)~~ (3)
ST

JW/ 29 June 45.

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COPY ECCHING SIGNAL

FROM : AFHQ Sgd SACMED Cite FWGCT 28 1825 B

TO : MAIN EIGHTH ARMY RESTRICTED
DISTWO

INFO : MMIA
REAR EIGHTH ARMY

REF : FX 14284

APPENDIX "B" OUR A G 387-4/079 G C T-O OF 25 (.)

ENSURE ITALIAN A D M DIVS TAKE OVER ADMINISTRATION

OF 1 AND 4 NAVAL L A B O U R CCYS AT M E S T R E

(V E N I C E) AND G E N O A RESPECTIVELY AT 1

JULY 45 (.) FOR E I G H T ARMY (.) OUR EX 12445

OF 25 ALSO REFERS

SD DISTRIBUTION:

ACTION : SD/131

INFO : A

jw/ 29 June 45.

GSO 1 ——

GSO 2 (Ops) 24C/ D.

GSO 2 (I) JHAC

GSO 3 (Ops) 3947

GSO 3 (I) ——

ACTION Q?

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FROM : C IN C MED

DATE 28

TIME OF ORIGIN. 1144 B

GSO 1

GSO 2

GSO 2

GSO 2

GSO 2

GSO 2

GSO 2

GSO 2

TO : M O IC GENOA,
M O IC VENICE.

INFO: FOTALI
M.M.I.A. ROME.
G.3. (MR)

R E S T R I C T E D.

ONE (.)

ALL ITALIAN POW COOPERATORS IN ITALY (R) ITALY WILL BE RELEASED FROM POW STATUS AS FROM 2400 HOURS JUNE 30TH STATUS WILL THEN BE THAT OF ITALIAN ARMY UNITS ATTACHED TO ALLIED SERVICES (.) THIS INCLUDES MCS 1 AND 4 NAVAL COMPANIES (.)

TWO (.)

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A (.) TOTAL UTILIZED BY SERVICES : QUARTERMASTER 7854 ; PROVOST MARSHAL , NEGATIVE ; SPECIAL SERVICE 30 ; POL ~~45~~ 128 ; ORDNANCE 6538 ; ENGINEER 5160 ; SIGNAL 516 ; CWS 1225 ; TRANSPORTATION 4245 ; SURGEON 1800 ; TOTAL ALL SERVICES 27,516 (.)

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III (.) ISU , 834 (.)

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20 June 45.

SUBJECT:- Reorganisation of Co-operator Units.

A.D.S.T.
Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C. (MMIA) (2)

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Reference AFHQ letter AG 387.4/079, GCT - O, dated 16 June 45.

1. All S.T. Co-operator units, with the exception of "Increments to BSDs", are at present organised on integrated establishments comprising in each case a British and an Italian element. It will, therefore, be necessary to reorganise these units when Co-operators are released to BR-ITI Italian Army status.

2. It is proposed to disband the "Increments to BSDs" and to reorganise the remaining units on the lines stated at Appendix "A" to this letter. A summary showing the present and proposed W.Es. and strengths is attached at Appendix "B".

3. Will you please confirm that the W.Es. on which it is proposed to reorganise the Italian units will provide the personnel necessary for unit administration. It is appreciated that the personnel required to complete units to W.E. strength may not be immediately available.

4. As soon as confirmation has been received that the W.Es. are acceptable, application will be made by this Directorate for the reorganisation of the units.

5. The undermentioned S.T. units (units in NORTH AFRICA have been omitted) also include Co-operator elements which cannot be organised as administratively self-contained units. It will, therefore, be necessary for these Co-operators to be withdrawn. In certain instances, application may be made for their demobilisation in order that they may be retained as civilians to be employed within W.E. (AFHQ/4214/2/ST, dated 20 June 45, addressed to BDsST Armies, Districts etc, refers).

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71 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
96 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
221 Coy RASC (Tipper)
226 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
325 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
350 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
429 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
487 Coy RASC (Gen Tpt)
546 Coy RASC (Tk Tptr)
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/s/ ? ? ? ? ? Lt.Col.

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for Major General
Director of Supplies and Transport

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APPENDIX "A" TO
AFHQ/4214/2/ST
DATED 20 JUNE 45.

PROPOSALS FOR THE REORGANISATION OF S.T. CO-OPERATOR UNITS.

1. **Field Bakeries.**

(a) Units to be reorganised are:-

122 Co-operator Fd. Bakery (CM/220/1)
123 " " " "
124 " " " "
136 " " " "

(b) Proposed future organisation:-

(i) British Cadre : British element of CM/220/1.

(ii) Italian Fd. Bakery : to be organised on the standard WE for a Field Bakery (IV/33A/1) - the following appointments not to be implemented:-

Bakers	SSM	1
"	SQMS	2
"	Sjts	4

2. **D.I.Ds.**

(a) Units to be reorganised are:-

197 Co-operator D.I.D. (CM/247/1).
199 " " "

(b) Proposed future organisation:-

(i) British Cadre : British element of CM/247/1.

(ii) Italian D.I.D. : to be organised on the standard W.E. for a D.I.D. (IV/106/1) - the following appointments not to be implemented:-

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(b) Proposed future organisation:-

(i) British Cadre : British element of CM/247/1.

(ii) Italian D.I.D. : to be organised on the standard W.E. for a D.I.D. (IV/106/1) - the following appointments not to be implemented:- 3910

Subaltern	1
Clerks S/Sjt	1
" Sjts	2
" Cpl	1
" Pte	1
Butcher Pte	1
Storemen Cpls	2

3. Independent Workshop Platoons.

(a) Units to be reorganised are :-

1732 - 1735 Co-operator Workshop Platoons (CM/214/2)
1742 " " " "
1763 - 1768 " " " "

(b) Proposed future organisation:-

(i) British Cadre : British element of CM/214/2.

(ii) Italian Wksp Pl : to be organised on the standard W.E. for a Wksp Pl (III/122/4).

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4. General Transport Coys.

(a) Units to be reorganised are:

757	Co-operator	Gen	Tpt	Coy	RASC	HQ MT Coy	CM/210/1
758	"	"	"	"	"	4 Tpt Pls	CM/211/1
759	"	"	"	"	"	2 RDIs	CM/213/1
760	"	"	"	"	"	W/Shop Ser. 3	CM/214/1
761	"	"	"	"	"	Pl.	

(b) Proposed future organisation:

(i) British Cadre : British elements of CM/210/1 and CM/214/1.

(ii) Italian Gen Tpt Coy : to be organised as a standard Gen Tpt Coy of four pls, i.e.:-

HQ MT Coy	III/116/3.
Four Tpt Pls	III/117/3
Two RDIs	III/121/3
Workshop PL (Ser 3)	III/122/4.

The following appointments not to be implemented:-

(a) HQ MT Coy III/116/3. IMG detachment of six drivers (including one Corporal and one Lance Corporal).

(b) Each Tpt Pl III/117/3. IMG detachment of three drivers (including one Lance Corporal)

5. Independent Transport Platoons.

(a) Unit to be reorganised is:

1769 Co-operator Indep Tpt Pl (Amb) CM/211/1

(b) Proposed future organisation :-

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(a) HQ MT Coy III/116/3. IMG detachment of six drivers (including one Corporal and one Lance Corporal).

(b) Each Tpt Pl III/117/3. IMG detachment of three drivers (including one Lance Corporal)

5. Independent Transport Platoons.

(a) Unit to be reorganised is:

1769 Co-operator Indep Tpt Pl (Amb) CM/211/1

(b) Proposed future organisation :-

(i) British Cadre : British element of CM/211/1.

(ii) Italian Indep Tpt Pl - to be organised on the standard W.E. for a tpt pl (III/117/3) - the following appointments not to be implemented:

IMG detachment of three drivers (including one Lance Corporal)

(note: the WEs III/116/3, III/117/3, III/121/3 and III/122/4 referred to above are re-writes of WEs III/116/2, III/117/2, III/121/2 and III/122/3 respectively embodying all amendments to date).

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RE-ORGANISATION OF CO-OPERATOR UNITS - SUPPLIES AND TRANSPO

Type of Unit	No of Units	War Establishment				Strength of each uni			
		Present WE	Proposed WE Brit	Proposed WE Italian	Brit Cadre (No change) Offrs	Brit Cadre (No change) OR	Itali Present Offrs	Itali Present OR
1. Italian Increment to (a BSD	6	CM/353/1	To be disbanded		NIL		Nil	16
2. Co-operator Field Bakery	4	CM/220/1	CM/220/1	IV/33A/1	2	11	Nil	120
3. Co-operator DID	4	CM/247/1	CM/247/1	IV/106/1	3	15	Nil	18
4. Co-operator ST Coy	5	HQ MT Coy (CM/210/1) 4 Tpt Pls (CM/211/1) 2 RDIs (CM/213/1) Wksp Ser 3 (CM/214/1)	HQ MT Coy (CM/210/1) Wksp Ser 3 CM/214/1	HQ MT Coy (III/116/3) 4 Tpt Pls (III/117/3) 2 RDIs (III/121/3) Wksp Ser 3 (III/122/4)	4	13	6	368
5. Co-operator Wksp Pl	11	CM/214/2	CM/214/2	III/122/4	1	11	Nil	36
6. Co-operator Tpt Pl	1	CM/211/1	CM/211/1	III/117/3	1	3	Nil	55

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APPENDIX "B" TO AFHQ/4214/2/ST
dated 20 JUNE 45.

SATION OF CO-OPERATOR UNITS - SUPPLIES AND TRANSPORT

Establishment		Strength of each unit						Strength-total No of units					
Proposed WE		Brit Cadre (No change)		Italians				Total Brit		Total Italians			
				Present		Proposed				Present		Proposed	
Brit	Italian	Offrs	OR	Offrs	OR	Offrs	OR	Offrs	OR	Offrs	OR	Offrs	OR
To be disbanded		NIL		Nil	16	-	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	96	-	-
CM/220/1	IV/33A/1	2	11	Nil	120	2	124	8	44	Nil	480	8	496
CM/247/1	IV/106/1	3	15	Nil	18	2	25	12	60	Nil	72	8	100
HQ MT Coy (CM/210/1)	HQ MT Coy (III/116/3)4 4 Tpt Pls (III/117/3) 2 HDIs (III/121/3) Wksp Ser 3 (III/122/4)	13		6	368	10	377	20	65	30	1840	50	1885
Wksp Ser 3 CM/214/1													
CM/214/2	III/122/4	1	11	Nil	36	1	48	11	121	Nil	396	11	528
CM/211/1	III/117/3	1	3	Nil	55	1	58	1	3	Nil	55	1	58
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Reference conversation Col "A" - GSO II(WE) and AFHQ letter ASD/921 of 23 June 45.

Request you take necessary action.

Lt Col,
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Subject :- Re-organisation of Co-operator Units

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Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA)
Rome
Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

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To :- D.S.T., AFHQ.

Ref your AFHQ/1214/2/ST dated 20 June.

1. It is confirmed that the new W.E.s proposed therein will provide the necessary personnel for unit administration.

Lt. Col. ADST.,
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA).

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AG 387.4/079 GCT-O

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Italian Ex-PW Cooperator Units under British Control

TO: All Concerned

1. Reference is made to letters, this headquarters, file as above, of 15 and 16 June 1945, subject, "Release from PW status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily".

2. As a result of preliminary investigations made by MMIA in accordance with paragraph 2(b) of the above letter of 16 June 1945, the Order of Battle of Italian Cooperator Units has been divided into the following categories, shown in detail at appendices to this letter:

APPENDIX	CATEGORY
A	Units to be retained without change of organization
B	Units to be retained after amendments have been made to the War Establishments
C	Units to be converted to alternative existing War Establishments
D	Units to be withdrawn and replaced by civilians

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3. Personnel in Category 'D' may be offered demobilization provided they are prepared to volunteer for re-employment for similar duties as civilians. Nominal rolls of such volunteers should be dispatched to MMIA without delay.

4. MMIA are proceeding on the lines of Appendices 'A' to 'D'. Should further amendments be required, addressees are requested to forward particulars to G-3 Division, this headquarters, copy to MMIA.

5. Where British cadres exist or are required, responsible Staffs and Services are requested to submit proposals through normal channels for separate War Establishments, or for non-implementation of the Italian portion of existing War Establishments. These proposals will be forwarded to G-3 Division, this headquarters, in accordance with letter 210/Org-3 of 6 December 1944.

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6. As it is desired to decrease the British holding of Italian Army personnel as soon as possible, addressees are requested to give earliest notification of possible disbandments of ex-cooperator units, stating effective dates.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHALL ALEXANDER:

R. H. FRESE
Major, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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dtd 25 June 1945

Italian Cooperator Units to be Retained as

Italian Army Units without Change of Organisation

WE	Designation	Last Reported Location	Remarks
	Armoured Corps		
CM/92/3	R.A.C Training Depot (Increment)	RIETI	
	Artillery		
Cm/387/2	R.A.T.D (Increment)	EBOLI	Units to be retained without amendment to WE pending disbandment at an early date.
	Engr		
Cm/276/1	R.E.T.D (Increment)	CAPUA	
	Inf		
Cm/194/1	5 Bn G.R.T.D (Increment)	BENEVENTO	
	Pro		
Cm/408/1	1 Italian Military Police Coy	CATANIA	
	Labour		
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2669 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2681 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2724 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2725 Italian Pnr Coy	BRINDISI	For Coy Hqs see Appendix 'B'.
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2727 Italian Pnr Coy	BRINDISI	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2728 Italian Pnr Coy	BRINDISI	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2735 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	

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Cm/276/1	RLTD (Increment)	CAPUA	
	Inf		
Cm/192/1	5 Bn GRTD (Increment)	BENEVENTO	
	Pro		
Cm/408/1	1 Italian Military Police Coy	CATANIA	
	Labour		
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IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2735 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Ten Secs 2736 Italian Pnr Coy	FOGGIA	
IV/72B/3	Twelve Secs 2726 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Twelve Secs 2737 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Twelve Secs 2738 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	
IV/72B/3	Twelve Secs 2739 Italian Pnr Coy	TARANTO	

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GCT-O, dtd 25 June 45

Italian Cooperator Units to be retained but requiring amendments to WEs on conversion to Italian Army Status

WE	Designation	Last reported Location	Remarks
	HQ Units		
CM/30/4	AFHQ (Increment) (b)	CASERTA	To be re-written as single WE
CM/550/1	Officers Mess Unit (b)		
CM/605/2	Staff & Services Pool (b)		
CM/235/1	10 Fd Svy Stores Depot Incr (b)		
CM/264/2	HQ 3 District (Incr) (b)	NAPLES	
	Engr		
CM/158/1	771 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	NAPLES	
CM/158/1	772 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	ROCCARAINORA	
CM/158/1	773 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	BARI	
CM/158/1	774 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	TARANTO	
CM/158/1	877 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	GENOA	
CM/158/1	878 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	PADUA	
CM/158/1	881 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	NAPLES	
CM/158/1	884 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	ROME	
CM/107/3	11 Engr Wksp Sec (b)	CANDELLO	
CM/107/3	12 Engr Wksp Sec (b)	BARI	
CM/115/2	Engr Trg Est (Incr) (b)	CAPUA	
CM/472/1	85 Italian E & M Pl (a)	NAPLES	
CM/472/1	86 Italian E & M Pl (a)	BARI	

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CM/158/1	774 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	TARANTO
CM/158/1	877 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	GENOA
CM/158/1	878 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	PADUA
CM/158/1	881 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	NAPLES
CM/158/1	884 Italian Art Wks Coy (a)	ROME
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CM/472/1	85 Italian E & M Pl (a)	NAPLES
CM/472/1	86 Italian E & M Pl (a)	BARI
	Med	
CM/347/1	Incr to 5 Gen Hosp (b)	PESARO
CM/347/1	Incr to 11 Gen Hosp (b)	JESI
CM/347/1	Incr to 31 Gen Hosp (b)	AREZZO
CM/347/1	Incr to 95 Gen Hosp (b)	IMOLA
CM/347/1	Incr to 99 Gen Hosp (b)	ANAGNI
CM/347/1	Incr to 100 Gen Hosp (b)	PERUGIA
CM/295/1	32 Reception Stn Class 'A' (b)	ANCONA
CM/295/1	33 Reception Stn Class 'A' (b)	BENEVENTO
CM/295/1	36 Reception Stn Class 'A' (b)	CATANIA
CM/296/1	34 Reception Stn Class 'B' (b)	VASTO

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WE	DESIGNATION		Last reported Location	REMARKS
	ORD			
CM/199/2	403 Transit Veh Pk(Main)	(a)	PESARO	
CM/200/2	408 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	ROME	
Cm/200/2	409 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	TERLIZZI	
CM/200/2	411 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	CASALNUOVA	
CM/200/2	412 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	LUCERA	
CM/200/2	416 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	CASALNUOVA	
CM/200/2	417 Veh Pk (B Vehs)	(a)	FOLIGNO	
CM/201/1	404 MT Stores Coy	(a)	PALESE(Bari)	
CM/202/1	420 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	421 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	422 Amn Coy	(a)	GRECCIANO	
CM/202/1	423 Amn Coy	(a)	NOLA	
CM/202/1	425 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	426 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/197/1	401 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	IESI	
CM/197/1	414 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/197/1	415 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/198/2	410 Returned Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	

CM/301/1	404 MT Stores Coy	(a)	PALESE(Bari)	
CM/202/1	420 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	421 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	422 Amn Coy	(a)	GRECCIANO	
CM/202/1	423 Amn Coy	(a)	NOLA	
CM/202/1	425 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/202/1	426 Amn Coy	(a)	BITONTO	
CM/197/1	401 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	IESI	
CM/197/1	414 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/197/1	415 Gen Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/198/2	410 Returned Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/198/2	413 Returned Stores Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/198/2	413 Returned Stores Coy	(a)	BARI	
CM/268/1	405 Tech Stores Coy	(a)	PALESE(Bari)	
CM/268/1	406 Tech Stores Coy	(a)	PONTECAGNANO	
CM/301/1	53 Mobile Laundry and Bath Unit	(b)	IESI	
CM/302/1	40 Base Hosp Laundry ('B' Coy)	(b)	NAPLES	'A' Coy in NA
CM/175/2	HQ RAOC Trg Est(Incr)	(b)	PASTENA	

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WE	DESIGNATION		Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	EME			
II/340/3	LAD Type C att RACTD		RIETI	To be made adm self-contained
CM/476/1	712 Italian Wksp Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/476/1	713 Italian Wksp Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/476/1	721 Italian Wksp Coy	(a)	SENEGALLIA	
CM/476/1	749 Italian Wksp Coy	(a)	ROME	
	PRO			
CM/467/1	'B' Dog Provost Sec	(b)	STABLA	
CM/409/1	2 Special Provost Coy	(a)	CATANIA	
CM/409/1	3 Special VP Police Coy	(a)	NAPLES	
CM/164/3	CMP Depot and Trg Est	(b)	OTTAVIANO	
	LAB			
CM/172/1	637 Italian Pnr Coy	(a)	BARI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2669 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	For Pnr Secs See Appx 'A'
VI/1396/1	HQ 2681 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2724 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2725 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2727 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2728 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	

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CM/172/1	637 Italian Pnr Coy	(a)	BARI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2669 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2681 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2724 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2725 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	For Pnr Secs See Appx 'A'
VI/1396/1	HQ 2727 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2728 Pnr Coy	(a)	BRINDISI	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2735 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2736 Pnr Coy	(a)	FOGGIA	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2726 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2737 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2738 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	
VI/1396/1	HQ 2739 Pnr Coy	(a)	TARANTO	

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SALVAGE.

CM/462/1	'A' Veh Disposal Unit	(b)	TERLIZZI
CM/462/1	'B' Veh Disposal Unit	(b)	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
CM/462/1	'C' Veh Disposal Unit	(b)	CASALNUOVA

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WE	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	SALVAGE (cont'd)		
IV/197/1	21 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
IV/197/1	22 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
IV/197/1	23 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	CASTIGLION
IV/197/1	25 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	TOR SAPIENZA
IV/197/1	26 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	IESI
IV/197/1	27 Base Salvage Unit	(b)	ADELPHIA
	POSTAL		
CM/135/1	5 Base Post Office	(b)	NAPLES
	FIRE FIGHTING		
IV/138/1(Mod)	151 FF Coy HQ	(b)	GENOA
IV/138/1(Mod)	152 FF Coy HQ	(b)	BARI
IV/138/1(Mod)	157 FF Coy HQ	(b)	NAPLES
IV/80/2(Mod)	9 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	TARANTO
IV/80/2(Mod)	10 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
IV/80/2(Mod)	58 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	BARI
IV/80/2(Mod)	601 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	602 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	603 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	607 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	BRINDISI

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IV/138/1(Mod)	157 FF Coy HQ	(b)	NAPLES
IV/80/2(Mod)	9 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	TARANTO
IV/80/2(Mod)	10 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	TORRE ANNUNZIATA
IV/80/2(Mod)	58 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	BARI
IV/80/2(Mod)	601 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	602 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	603 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	GENOA
IV/80/2(Mod)	607 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	BRINDISI
IV/80/2(Mod)	608 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	BARLETTA
IV/80/2(Mod)	615 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	ROME
IV/80/2(Mod)	616 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	NAPLES
IV/80/2(Mod)	617 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	CASERTA
IV/80/2(Mod)	618 First Class Fire Bde	(b)	SALERNO

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SCHOOLS

CM/113/2	ACC Trg Centre	(b)	NOLA
CM/251/1	2 Fd Cookery Trg Centre	(b)	SALERNO
CM/306/1	1 School of Farriery	(b)	PASSOCORESE

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"E"	DESIGNATION		Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	CAMPS			
CM/677/1	'X' Special Reception Camp(b)		NAPLES	
	INT			
CM/52/4	Incr to CSDIC	(b)	ROME	To be added to existing Italian Army est.
	INCRS TO AREAS AND SUB-AREAS		Re serial 80 this file	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 52 Area	(b)	TARANTO	To be implemented only where specially requested by HQ concerned
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 54 Area	(b)	BARI	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 55 Area	(b)	TRIESTE	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 56 Area	(b)	NAPLES	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 59 Area	(b)	MILAN	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 61 Area	(b)	ANCONA	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 60 Sub-Area	(b)	LEGHORN	To be implemented only where specially requested by HQ concerned
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 71 Sub-Area	(b)	AREZZO	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 94 Sub-Area	(b)	SALERNO	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 151 Sub-Area	(b)	TURIN	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 201 Sub-Area	(b)	UDINE	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 207 Sub-Area	(b)	VENICE	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 210 Sub-Area	(b)	PADUA	
CM/118/3	Incr to HQ 211 Sub-Area	(b)	FLORENCE	

CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 59 Area	(b)	MILAN	
CM/41/3	Incr to HQ 61 Area	(b)	ANCONA	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 60 Sub-Area	(b)	LEGHORN	To be implemented only where specially requested by HQ concerned
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 71 Sub-Area	(b)	AREZZO	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 94 Sub-Area	(b)	SALERNO	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 151 Sub-Area	(b)	TURIN	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 201 Sub-Area	(b)	UDINE	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 207 Sub-Area	(b)	VENICE	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 210 Sub-Area	(b)	PADUA	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 211 Sub-Area	(b)	FLORENCE	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 214 Sub-Area	(b)	RIMINI	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 215 Sub-Area	(b)	PIACENZA	
CM/113/3	Incr to HQ 216 Sub-Area	(b)	BOLOGNA	

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CM/172/1	1 Italian Navy Coy	(a)	VENICE	To be maintained by Italian Army but counted against ROYAL NAVY Italian Manpower Ceiling
CM/172/1	4 Italian Navy Coy	(a)	GENOA	

NOTES : (a) Italian Units with British Cadres
(b) British Units with Italian Increments

To be rewritten with separate WEs for Italian and British personnel.

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Appendix 'C' to AFHQ ltr AG 387.4/079 GCT-O dtd 25 June 1945

Italian Cooperator Units to be retained and converted on to existing Italian Army and British Cadre War Establishments

Present WE	FUTURE WEs British	FUTURE WEs Italian	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location
			ENGR - TN	
CM/207/1	CM/207/1	CM/357/1	1061 Docks Op Coy	TARANTO
CM/207/1	CM/207/1	CM/857/1	1063 Docks Op Coy	BRINDISI
			ST	
See 761 Coy	See 761 Coy	See 761 Coy	757 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt)	AREZZO
			758 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt)	CROTONE
			759 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt)	SAN VITALIANO
			760 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt)	FORLI
			761 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt)	AFRAGOLA
			consisting of:-	
CM/210/1	CM/210/1(Mod)	III/116/3	HQ MT Coy	
CM/211/1		III/117/3	Four Tpt Pls	
CM/213/1		III/121/3	Two RDIs	
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	Wksp Pl Ser 3	
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1732(Indep)Wksp Pl	CASTELLAM-MARE
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1733(Indep)Wksp Pl	MODENA
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1734(Indep)Wksp Pl	FORLI
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1735(Indep)Wksp Pl	NAPLES
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1742(Indep)Wksp Pl	SALERNONE

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761 Coy RASC(Gen Tpt) APRAGOLA

consisting of:-

CM/210/1	CM/210/1(Mod)	III/116/3	HQ MT Coy
CM/211/1		III/117/3	Four Tpt Pls
CM/213/1		III/121/3	Two RDIs
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	Wksp Pl Ser 3
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1732(Indep)Wksp Pl CASTELLAM-MARE
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1733(Indep)Wksp Pl MODENA
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1734(Indep)Wksp Pl FORLI
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1735(Indep)Wksp Pl NAPLES
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1742(Indep)Wksp Pl SALBAGNONE
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1763(Indep)Wksp Pl MARIGLIANO
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1764(Indep)Wksp Pl BRINDISI
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1765(Indep)Wksp Pl NAPLES
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1766(Indep)Wksp Pl FESCA
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1767(Indep)Wksp Pl ROME
CM/214/2	CM/214/2(Mod)	III/122/4	1763(Indep)Wksp Pl FLORENCE

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Present WE	FUTURE WEs British	FUTURE WEs Italian	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location
			ST(cont'd)	
CM/220/1	CM/220/1(Mod)	IV/33A/1	122 Fd Bky	AREZZO
CM/220/1	CM/220/1(Mod)	IV/33A/1	123 Fd Bky	TORRE DEL GRECO
CM/220/1	CM/220/1(Mod)	IV/33A/1	124 Fd Bky	RIMINI
CM/220/1	CM/220/1(Mod)	IV/33A/1	136 Fd Bky	CAPUA
CM/247/1	CM/247/1(Mod)	IV/106/1	197 DID	FOGGIA
CM/247/1	CM/247/1(Mod)	IV/106/1	199 DID	ROME
CM/211/1	CM/211/1(Mod)	III/117/3	1769 Indep Tgt Pl (Amb)	ROME

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Appendix 'D' to AFHQ
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dtd 25 June 1945

ITALIAN COOPERATORS to be withdrawn and replaced where necessary by civilians

WE	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	HQ Units		
CM/123/3	Inspr to HQ 2 Dist	GENOA	Personnel may be added to Italian Army Increment to(CSO) 2 Dist: WE now under consideration.
~~CM/284/1~~	~~GHQ 2nd Echelon~~	~~MADDALONI~~	~~Personnel will be retained until 02E release them~~
	ARMOURED CORPS		
CM/161/2	1 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)	NAPLES	
CM/161/2	3 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)	RICCIONE	
CM/161/2	4 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)	RICCIONE	
CM/161/2	6 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)	BRACCIANO	
	ENGR		
CM/157/1	1 Engr Stores Base Depot(d)	BARI	
CM/157/1	8 Engr Stores Base Depot(d)	CANCELLO	

ARMOURED CORPS

CM/161/2	1 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)		NAPLES
CM/161/2	3 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)		RICCIONE
CM/161/2	4 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)		RICCIONE
CM/161/2	6 Tk and Armd C Maint Sqn(d)		BRACCIANO

ENGR

CM/157/1	1 Engr Stores Base Depot(d)		BARI
CM/157/1	8 Engr Stores Base Depot(d)		CANCELLO

ENGR - Tn

CM/129/1	156 Tn Stores Coy	(d)	BOLOGNA	
IV/22N/2(Mod)	1037 Port Maint Coy	(c)	BRINDISI	2 Coys
CM/206/1	1080 Port Maint Sec	(d)	ANCONA	~~Personnel to be transferred to new Italian Docks~~
CM/206/1	1082 Port Maint Sec	(d)	BARI	0 Coys

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CM/93/3	HQ Inf Aft Trg Depot (Incr)	(c)	BENEVENTO

ST

IV/92/2	CRASC 8 Gen Tpt Coln	(c)	PIACENZA
IV/93/2	64 Coy (Bulk Pet Tpt)	(c)	RESINA
III/116/2	71 Coy (Gen Tpt)	(c)	BOLOGNA
III/122/3	93 Ind GPT Coy Wksp Pl	(c)	CASTELLAMMARE

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WE	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	ST(cont'd)		
III/116/2	98 Coy (Gen Tpt)	(c) GENOA	
III/116/2	221 Coy (Tipper)	(c) PORTO GRISARO	
III/116/2	325 Coy (Gen Tpt)	(c) FORLI	
III/116/2	350 Coy (Gen Tpt)	(c) MILAN	
III/116/2	429 Coy (Gen Tpt)	(c) BARI	
IV/29D/3(Mod)	34 BSD	(c) RIMINI	
IV/29D/3	45 BSD	(c) SENEGALLIA	
CM/353/1	84 Incr to 27 BSD	(c) BARI	
CM/353/1	85 Incr to 28 BSD	(c) BRINDISI	
CM/353/1	86 Incr to 43 BSD	(c) BARI	
CM/353/1	87 Incr to 46 BSD	(c) BARI	
CM/353/1	88 Incr to 50 BSD	(c) CASORIA	
CM/353/1	89 Incr to 51 BSD	(c) CASORIA	
CM/464/1	RASCTD Incr	(c) NOLA	
	ORD		
CM/288/3	DDOS L of C Incr	(d) NAPLES	

CM/288/3	45 BSD	(c)	SENEGALLIA
CM/353/1	84 Incr to 27 BSD	(c)	BARI
CM/353/1	85 Incr to 28 BSD	(c)	BRINDISI
CM/353/1	86 Incr to 43 BSD	(c)	BARI
CM/353/1	87 Incr to 46 BSD	(c)	BARI
CM/353/1	88 Incr to 50 BSD	(c)	CASORIA
CM/353/1	89 Incr to 51 BSD	(c)	CASORIA
CM/464/1	RASCTD Incr	(c)	NOLA
	ORD		
CM/288/3	DDOS L of C Incr	(d)	NAPLES
	EME		
CM/438/1	Army Gp RA Refitting Wksp	(c)	CIVITA VECCHIA
	P and SS		
IV/67/1(Mod)	17 Stationery Depot	(c)	ANCONA
	CLAIMS & HIRINGS		
CM/124/1	22 Claims Commission	(c)	NAPLES
CM/125/1	22 Hirings Directorate	(c)	NAPLES
	LEGAL		
CM/364/1	Pool of Presidents of Courts Martial	(c)	Personnel are attached to Dist HQs

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WE	DESIGNATION	Last Reported Location	REMARKS
	WELFARE		
CM/564/1	'A' Welfare Trg Centre	(c) ROME	
	CAMPS		
CM/259/2	'Z' Rest and Transit Camp	(c) BRINDISI	
CM/259/2	5 Transit Camp	(c) BOLOGNA	
IV/74A/1	2 Transit Camp	(c) ANCONA	
CM/259/2	305 Transit Camp	(c) MILAN	

NOTES:

(c) Personnel will be invited to volunteer for re-employment in civilian status.

(d) Personnel will be withdrawn by MMIA and replaced where necessary by civilians under the arrangements of the employing headquarters.

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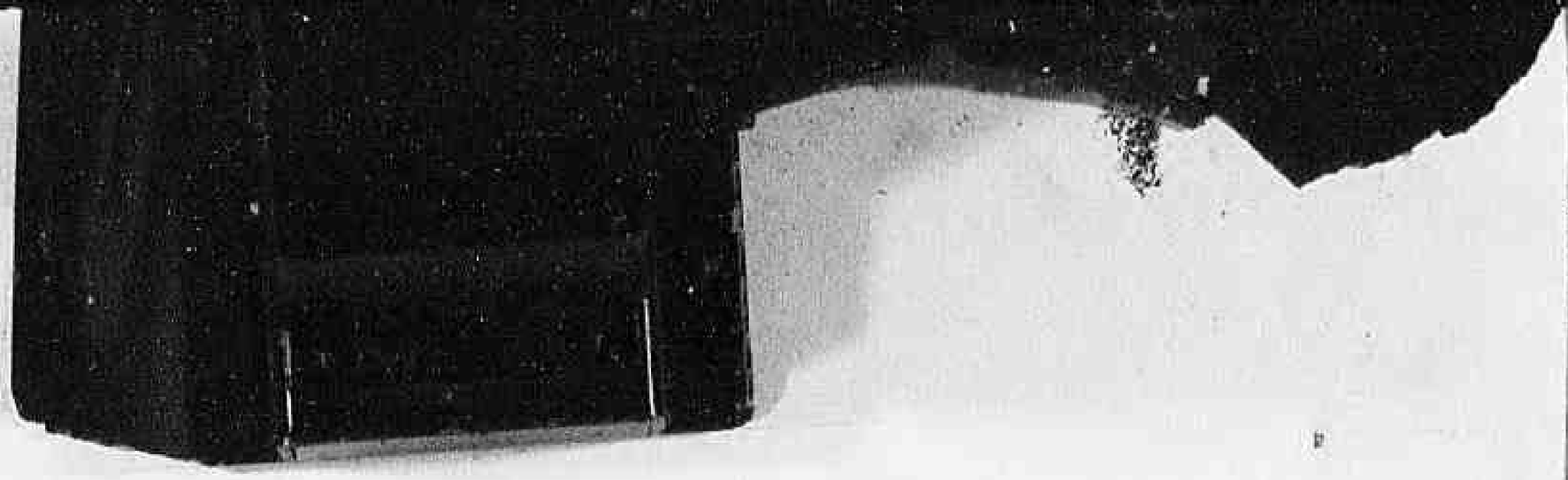
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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Transfer of British Cooperators to Italian Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C. (MMLA)

SD/131

26 June 45

TO : War Ministry

Reference our SD/131 of 21 and 22 June 45.

1. Herewith Location Statement of all units employing cooperator personnel, given in Appendices as follows :-

(a) Appendix "A"
Units whose cooperator personnel it is anticipated will be formed into self administering Italian Army units.
As this HQ is responsible for providing the necessary Italian Army WEs this Appendix has been divided into two parts as below :-

Part 1. Units already self-administering or to be made self-administering by the addition of adm personnel, for which WEO action will be taken as below.

(i) Where diluted units (i.e. those units which include British and Italian elements) are predominantly Italian, the British personnel will remain on the existing war establishment. The title of the establishment will be amended to read "Br Cadre" to the appropriate Italian unit and the Italian personnel will be deleted. A new Italian WE for the unit will be written, without alterations to the basic organisation of the unit. Transport will remain on the "Br Cadre" establishment.

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Part 2. Diluted units whose Italian elements will be converted onto standard British establishments or onto war establishments now in use by Italian Army units. NO WEC action will be necessary by MMIA but AFHQ will take necessary action to amend the establishments on which British Cadres will be held.

No WE serial numbers have been shown in Appendix "A" as new numbers will have to be allocated to the new Italian Army establishments.

(b) Appendix "B"
These units which, it is anticipated, will be relinquishing cooperator personnel and their entitlement to such personnel AFHQ will make the necessary alterations to the CM/ ests involved. It will be found that in some of these units this personnel does not in fact exist.

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2. This letter will not be taken as authority for the conversion to the new WEs of any of the units shown in App A or the transfer of any cooperators from one unit to another, but is intended as a warning order to enable you to make the necessary preparations.

The Location Statement is divided into Appendices as above purely to show what WEC action will be necessary in accordance with SD/131 of 22 June 45. The strengths of units shown in Appendix "A" are provisional and subject to the decision of MELA WEC and final concurrence of AFHQ.

3. A final Order of Battle will be issued by AFHQ giving a comprehensive statement of all Italian Army units to be formed from cooperator personnel. All other cooperator personnel will then be considered as available for reinforcements in the Italian Army.

4. In the meantime the following measures, as already outlined to Lt Col GUIDA by Col PILSLEY, will be put into effect forthwith to ensure that the documentation of all cooperator personnel and the adm arrangements necessitated by the change of status are completed as soon as possible.

(a) A Commission will be despatched forthwith to report to the Commanding Officer GHQ 2nd Echelon (G2E), MADDALONI, near CASERTA. The Commission will have the following tasks:-

(i) To inspect and take over all documents and records belonging to Italian Cooperators in British charge in Italian national territory.

(ii) To ascertain correct and latest information on location and numbers, on the basis of Appendices A,B, & C.(see para 5 below) A final Order of Battle for Italian Army units, composed of ex-cooperators will be issued by AFHQ as soon as possible.

(iii) To communicate the above information to the Ministry of War, to enable the necessary orders to be issued.

(b) W.e.f. 1 July all Italian Cooperator personnel shown in the Appendices A,B, & C will be attached to the appropriate BR-ITI Administrative Division, who will assume general administrative responsibility for such personnel as from 1 July. The Administrative Division will make arrangements with its analogous British formation for units or personnel to continue under partial British administration in those cases where it cannot take over complete responsibility immediately. MELA SD/131 of 21 June, para 4 refers. In any case pay will become completely

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(c) Ex-Cooperator units shown in Appendix "A", "B" and "C" will be included in all Italian Army returns as from 1 July 45.

(d) Staffs of Adm Divs.
Staffs of Administrative Divisions may be temporarily supplemented in order to deal with the work of taking over cooperator units, until the date on which these units are complete with officers and have been fully incorporated into the Administrative Division. You are therefore authorised to attach up to four officers with tpt and one clerk for every two of the attached officers to such Adm Div from BR-ITI rfts. They will be held temporarily against Category 6(D) (BR-ITI rfts). These officers will visit and control ex-cooperator personnel during the period between July 1st and the completion of permanent adm arrangements.

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5. Given at Appendix "C" is a list of units composed of Italian cooperators which are working for Royal Navy.

As this personnel is Italian Army it will be administered through Italian Army channels except in so far as it is operationally controlled by Royal Navy and will count against the Royal Navy Ceiling.

The units shown in Appendix "C" will therefore be treated as DR-ITI units for documentation and adm as detailed in para 4 above.

for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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AFHQ

INTERNAL

MA for GOC
Chief of Staff
GSO 1
Col Pidaley
Col Ntakes
A (four)
Q (six)
RE
Sigs
ST
Ord
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Mov

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SD/131 of 24 June 45.

PROVISIONAL ORDER OF BATTLE OF COOPERATOR PERSONNEL TO BE CONVERTED TO ITALIAN ARMY UNITS

PART I - UNITS FOR WHICH ITALIAN ARMY W.Es. REQUIRED TO MAKE THEM SELF-ADMINISTERING.
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Serial No.	Unit	WE Strength Offrs	WE Strength ORs	Location	Remarks
1.	AFHQ			CASERTA	WE Strength to be assigned to provide Adm staff.
2.	AFHQ Officers Mess Unit	2	225	CASERTA	
3.	10 Fd Survey Stores Depot			MADDOLONI	
4.	AFHQ Staff and Services Pool			CASERTA	
5.	HQ 2 District	-	2	MILAN	Being incl in CM/823/1.
6.	Incr to HQ 3 District	?	?	NAPLES	To be formed from 3 Italian Spec V Police coy (see Ser 8.
7.	HQ 57 Area	1	24	2 DISTRICT	
8.	HQ 52 Area	1	24	TARANTO	Not yet decided whether new Italian Army WE will be implemented in all cases.
9.	HQ 54 Area	1	24	BARI	
10.	HQ 55 Area	1	24	TRIESTE	
11.	HQ 56 Area	1	24	NAPLES	
12.	HQ 59 Area	1	24	MILAN	
13.	HQ 61 Area	1	24	ANCONA	
14.	CSDIC	-	6	-	To be added to Incr to CSDIC (CM/350/2).

5.	HQ 2 District	-	2	MILAN	Being incl in CM/823/1.
6.	Incr to HQ 3 District	?	?	NAPLES	To be formed from 3 Italian Spec Sv Police coy(see Ser 6.
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9.	HQ 54 Area	1	24	BARI	
10.	HQ 55 Area	1	24	TRIESTE	
11.	HQ 56 Area	1	24	NAPLES	
12.	HQ 59 Area	1	24	MILAN	
13.	HQ 61 Area	1	24	ANCONA	
14.	CSDIC	-	6	-	To be added to Incr to CSDIC (CM/330/2).
15.	HQ 60 Sub Area	1	16	GENOA	
16.	HQ 71 Sub Area	1	16	PERUGIA	Not yet decided whether new I alian Army WE will be implemented in all cases.
17.	HQ 94 Sub Area	1	16	SALERNO	
18.	HQ 151 Sub Area	1	16	TURIN	
19.	HQ 201 Sub Area	1	16	UDINE	
20.	HQ 207 Sub Area	1	16	VENICE	
21.	HQ 210 Sub Area	1	16	PADUA	
22.	HQ 211 Sub Area	1	16	FLORENCE	
23.	HQ 214 Sub Area	1	16	RIMINI	
24.	HQ 215 Sub Area	1	16	PIACENZA	
25.	HQ 216 Sub Area	1	16	BOLOGNA	

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Serial No.	Unit	WE Offrs	WE Strength ORs	Location	Remarks
26.	"A" Carrier Maint Sec	-	5	ROME)	To be added by note to re written Italian WE for Veh Park (B Vehs) CM/200/2
27.	7 Carrier Maint Sec	-	5	[illegible]LES)	
28.	8 Carrier Maint Sec	-	5	NAPLES)	
29.	771 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	NAPLES	
30.	772 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	ROCCARAINOLA	
31.	773 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	BARI	
32.	774 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	TARANTO	
33.	877 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	FLORENCE	
34.	878 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	PADUA	
35.	881 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	S. VITO	
36.	884 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	RIETI	
37.	85 Italian E & M Sec	2	59	NAPLES	
38.	86 Italian E & M Sec	2	59	BARI	
39.	11 Engr Wkshops Sec	2	110	CANCELLO	
40.	Italian Incr to 5 Gen Hosp	1	31	PESARO)	Italian Incr to 97 Gen Hosp in GREECE may have coops but will not be immediately affected
41.	Italian Incr to 31 Gen Hosp	1	31	ANCONA)	
42.	Italian Incr to 95 Gen Hosp	1	51	MONTE CATONE)	
43.	Italian Incr to 99 Gen Hosp	1	51	AGNANI)	
44.	31 Reception Stn Type "A"	-	8	TARANTO	

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	774 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	TARANTO
33.	877 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	FLORENCE
34.	878 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	PADUA
35.	881 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	S. VITO
36.	884 Italian Art Wks Coy	6	250	RIETI
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44.	31 Reception Stn Type "A"	-	8	TARANTO
45.	32 Reception Stn Type "A"	-	8	ANCONA
46.	33 Reception Stn Type "A"	-	8	SIENA
47.	36 Reception Stn Type "A"	-	8	CATANIA
48.	34 Reception Stn Type "B"	-	12	VASTO
49.	35 Reception Stn Type "B"	-	12	AFRAGOLA
50.	401 Gen Ord Stores	2	88	JESI
51.	402 Gen Ord Stores	2	88	NAPLES
52.	414 Gen Ord Stores	2	88	PORTICI
53.	415 Gen Ord Stores	2	88	NAPLES

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Serial No.	Unit	Provisional WE Strength Offrs	ORs	Location	Remarks
54.	53 Mob Laundry & Bath Unit	1	67	JESI	
55.	420 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	BITONTO	
56,	421 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	BITONTO	
57.	422 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	GRECCIANO	
58.	423 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	NOLA	
59.	425 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	BITONTO	
60.	426 Ord Amn Coy	1	55	BITONTO	
61.	404 Italian Ord MT Stores Coy	4	147	BARI	
62.	407 Italian Ord MT Stores Coy	4	147	PONTE CAGNANO	
63.	405 Italian Ord Tech Stores	4	93	BARI	
64.	406 Italian Ord Tech Stores	4	93	NAPLES	
65.	410 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	NAPLES	
66.	413 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	NAPLES	
67.	418 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	BARI	
68.	419 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	1 DIST	
69.	403 Italian Transit Veh Park (Main)	4	379	PESARO	
70.	408 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	ROME	

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	Stores Coy	4	147	BARI
62.	407 Italian Ord MT Stores Coy	4	147	PONTE CAGNANO
63.	405 Italian Ord Tech Stores	4	93	BARI
64.	406 Italian Ord Tech Stores	4	93	NAPLES
65.	410 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	NAPLES
66.	413 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	NAPLES
67.	418 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	BARI
68.	419 Italian Returned Ord Stores Coy	4	152	1 DIST
69.	403 Italian Transit Veh Park (Main)	4	379	PESARO
70.	408 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	ROME
71.	409 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	TERLIZZI
72.	411 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	CASALNUOVO
73.	412 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	FAENZA
74.	416 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	CASTELNUOVO
75.	417 Italian Veh Park ("B" Vehs)	2	125	FOLIGNO

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Serial No.	Unit	Provisional WE Strength Offrs	ORs	Location	Remarks
76.	HQ RAOC Trg Estab	5	68	PONTECAGNANO	
77.	712 Italian Wksp Coy	4	305	CAPUA	One additional unit formed or to be formed.
78.	713 Italian Wksp Coy	4	305	NAPLES	
79.	721 Italian Wksp Coy	4	305	SENIGALLIA	
80.	"B" Dog Pro Coy	-	25	ROME	WE presents several problems as secs are split all over Italy
81.	1 Italian Provost Coy	2	97	CATANIA	
82.	2 Special VP Police Coy	2	112	FOGGIA	
83.	3 Special VP Police Coy	2	112	NAPLES	To be converted to new Est Incr to 3 Dist.
84.	637 Pioneer Coy	2	282	BARI	
85.	2669 It. Pion. Ocrps.	6	295	TARANTO	
86.	2681 It. Pion. Corps	6	295	TARANTO	
87.	2724 " " "	6	295	"	
88.	2725 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
89.	2726 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
90.	2727 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
91.	2728 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
92.	2735 " " "	6	295	TARANTO	
93.	2736 " " "	6	295	FOGGIA	
94.	2737 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
95.	2738 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
96.	2739 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	

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85.	2669 It. Pion. Corps.	6	295	TARANTO	
86.	2681 It. Pion. Corps	6	295	TARANTO	
87.	2724 " " "	6	295	"	
88.	2725 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
89.	2726 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
90.	2727 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
91.	2728 " " "	6	295	BRINDISI	
92.	2735 " " "	6	295	TARANTO	
93.	2736 " " "	6	295	FOGGIA	
94.	2737 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
95.	2738 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	
96.	2739 " " "	6	347	TARANTO	3907
97.	151 FF Coy HQ	1	3	GENOA	Serials 97 - 114 will be grouped into self - administering increments to serve each FF Coy.
98.	153 " " "	1	3	BARI	
99.	157 " " "	1	3	NAPLES	
100.	9 First Class Fire Bde	-	23	TARANTO	
101.	10 " " " "	-	23	TORRE ANNUNZIATA	
102.	58 " " " "	-	23	BARI	
103.	601 " " " "	-	23	GENOA	
104.	602 " " " "	-	23	"	
105.	603 " " " "	-	23	"	

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Serial No.	Unit	WE Strength Offrs	ORs	Location	Remarks
106.	607 First Class Fire Bde	-	23	BRINDISI	
107.	608 " " " "	-	23	BARLETTA	
108.	612 " " " "	-	23	AREZZO	
109.	613 " " " "	-	23	TORRE ANNUNCIATA	
110.	614 " " " "	-	23	" "	
111.	615 " " " "	-	23	" "	
112.	616 " " " "	-	23	NAPLES	
113.	617 " " " "	-	23	CASORIA	
114.	618 " " " "	-	23	SALERNO	
115.	21 Base Salvage Unit	-	7	TORRE ANNUNCIATA	
116.	22 " " "	-	7	" "	
117.	23 " " "	-	7	AREZZO	
118.	25 " " "	-	7	TOR SAPIENZA	
119.	26 " " "	-	7	JESI	
120.	27 " " "	-	7	BARI	
121.	"A" Veh Disposal Unit	2	210	TERLIZZI	
122.	"B" " " "	2	210	TORRE ANNUNCIATA	
123.	"C" " " "	2	210	CASTEL NUOVO	
124.	"D" " " "	2	210	AREZZO	

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111.	615 " " " "	-	23	" "	
112.	616 " " " "	-	23	NAPLES	
113.	617 " " " "	-	23	CASORIA	
114.	618 " " " "	-	23	SALERNO	
115.	21 Base Salvage Unit	-	7	TORRE ANNUNCIATA	
116.	22 " " "	-	7	" "	
117.	23 " " "	-	7	AREZZO	
118.	25 " " "	-	7	TOR SAPIENZA	
119.	26 " " "	-	7	JESI	
120.	27 " " "	-	7	BARI	
121.	"A" Veh Disposal Unit	2	210	TERLIZZI	
122.	"B" " " "	2	210	TORRE ANNUNCIATA	
123.	"C" " " "	2	210	CASTEL NUOVO	
124.	"D" " " "	2	210	AREZZO	
125.	"E" " " "	2	210	JESI	
126.	ACC Training Centre	1	43	NOLA	WE strengths doubtful
127.	2 Fd Cookery Trg Centre	-	12	SALERNO	
128.	Depot and Trg Estab CMP		22	OTTAVIANO	
129.	S.M.E.	2	200	CAPUA	
130.	No. 1 School of Farriery	-	3	PASSOCORESE	Personnel to be added to Incr to 1 Fd Remount Dep CM/820/1.
131.	"X" Rft Training Depot	-	35	AVELLA	
132.	Italian Incr to No.2 Internee Camp	1	52		
133.	"X" Special Reception Camp	1	90	NAPLES	
	Total				

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PART II - UNITS WHICH WILL BE CONVERTED TO STANDARD BRITISH OR ITALIAN ARMY ESTS

SERIAL NO.	U N I T	PRESENT W.E.	PRESENT W.E. STRENGTH Offrs	PRESENT W.E. STRENGTH ORs	NEW W.E.	NEW W.E. STRENGTH Offrs	NEW W.E. STRENGTH ORs	PRESENT LOCATION	REMARKS
1.	1061 Italian Docks Op Coy	CM/207/1	4	371	CM/857/1	7	426	TARANTO	
2.	1063 Italian Docks Op Coy	CM/207/1	4	371	CM/857/1	7	426	BRINDISI	
3.	1037 Port Maint Coy	IV/22N/2	-	1				BRINDISI	To be disbanded and used to make up increase in Est of Serials 1 & 2.
4.	1060 Italian Port Maint Sec	CM/206/1	-	57				ANCONA	
5.	1062 Italian Port Maint Sec	CM/206/1	-	57				BARI	
6.	122 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124	AREZZO	
7.	123 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124	CASTELLA-MARE	
8.	124 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124	RIMINI	
9.	136 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124	FORLI	
10.	197 DID	CM/247/1	-	18	IV/106/1	2	25	FOGGIA	3 more to be formed
11.	757 Gen Tpt Coy	CM/210/1) CM/211/1) CM/213/1) CM/214/1)	6	368	III/116/3) III/117/3) III/121/3) III/122/4)	10	377		

6.	122 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124 AREZZO	
7.	123 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124 CASTELLA-MARE	
8.	124 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124 RIMINI	
9.	136 Fd Bakery Type A	CM/220/1	-	120	IV/33A/1	2	124 FORLI	
10.	197 DID	CM/247/1	-	16	IV/106/1	2	25 FOGGIA	3 more to be formed
11.	757 Gen Tpt Coy	CM/210/1) CM/211/1) CM/213/1) CM/214/1)	6	368	III/116/3) III/117/3) III/121/3) III/122/4)	10	377	3903
12.	758 Gen Tpt Coy	CM/210/1) CM/211/1) CM/213/1) CM/214/1)	6	368	III/116/3) III/117/3) III/121/3) III/122/4)	10	377 CROTONE	
13.	759 Gen Tpt Coy	"	6	368	"	10	377 SAN VITALIANO	
14.	760 Gen Tpt Coy	"	6	368	"	10	377 FORLI	
15.	761 Gen Tpt Coy	"	6	368	"	10	377 56 AREA	
16.	1769 Tpt Pl	CM/211/1	-	55	III/117/3	1	58 ROME	
17.	1732 Indep Wksp Pl	CM/214/1	-	36	III/122/4	1	48 CASTELLA MARE	

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SERIAL NO.	U N I T	PRESENT W.E.	PRESENT W.E. STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	NEW W.E.	NEW W.E. STRENGTH Offrs	ORs	PRESENT LOCATION	REMARKS
18.	1733 Indep Wksp Pl	CM/214/1	-	36	III/122/4	1	48	5 ARMY	
19.	1734 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	AREZZO	
20.	1735 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	NAPLES	
21.	1742 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	CASTELLA MARE	
22.	1763 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	NAPLES	
23.	1764 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	NAPLES	
24.	1765 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	CASTELLA MARE	
25.	1766 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	BARI	
26.	1767 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	ROME	
27.	1768 Indep Wksp Pl	"	-	36	"	1	48	FLORENCE	
	Present Total		38	3278	New Total	86	3794		

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Appendix "[illegible]" to MMIA letter
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DILUTED UNITS WHICH WILL RELINQUISH ENTITLEMENT TO COOPERATOR PERSONNEL

Serial No	UNIT	WE NUMBER	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH CRs	LOCATION	REMARKS
1	GHQ 2nd Echelon	CM/284/1	1	270	MADDALONI	
2	HQ 3 District	CM/264/2	5	12	NAPLES	This is Coop Welfare personnel and will not form part of new 3 Dist Incr.
3	Br Mil Trg Directorate	CM/65/2	-	3	NAPLES	-Entitlement not implemented.
4	22 Claims Commission	CM/124/2		72)		
5	22 Hirings Directorate	CM/125/2	-	68)	NAPLES	
6	Pool of Presidents of Courts Martial	CM/364/1	-	4	CASERTA	
7	305 Transit Camp		-	39	LATERINA	
8	3 Tk & ArmdbCar Maint Sqdn	CM/161/2	-	20	NAPLES	
9	4 " " " " "	CM/161/2	-	15)		
10	5 " " " " "	CM/161/2	-	15)	RICCIONE	
11	6 " " " " "	CM/161/2	-	15)		
12	156 Tn Stores Coy	CM/129/1	-	39	BOLOGNA	
13	CRASC Gen Tpt Coln	IV/92/2 (MOD)	-	3	PIACENZA	
14	64 Coy RASC (Bulk Pet Tpt)	IV/93/2 (MOD)	-	12	NAPLES	
15	71 " " (Gen Tpt)	III/116/2 etc (MOD)	-	14	BOLOGNA	
16	98 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	GENOA	
17	221 " " (Tipper)	"	-	14	Eighth Army	
18	226 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14		
19	325 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	BARI	
20	350 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	MILAN	
21	429 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	BARI	
22	487 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14		
		"	-	14	NAPLES	

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23	488 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	NAPLES	
24	546 " " (Gen Tpt)	"	-	14	CASTELLAMARE	
25	93 Ind Coy(Gen Tpt Coy)	"	-	14	3 District	
26	105 DID	IV/106/1 (MOD)	-	8	Fifth Army	Cooperators believed to have been withdrawn
27	141 "	"	-	8	ROME	
28	199 "	CM/247/1	-	8	ROME	
29	72 "	IV/106/1	-	8	BRINDISI	
30	84 Coop Inor to 27 ESD	CM/353/1		16	BARI	

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SERIAL NO.	UNIT	W.E. NO.	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	LOCATION	REMARKS
31	85 Coop Incr to 28 BSD	CM/353/1	-	15		Serials 30-35 being disbanded.
32	86 " " " 43 "	"	-	16	BARI	
33	87 " " " 46 "	"	-	16	BARI	
34	88 " " " 50 "	"	-	16	CASORIA	
35	89 " " " 51 "	"	-	15	CASORIA	
36	34 B.S.D.	IV/29D/3 (Mod)	-	12	RIMINI	Cooperators understood to have been withdrawn.
37	44 B.S.D.	"	-	12	MESIRE	
38	45 B.S.D.	"	-	12	SENIGALLIA	
39	53 B.S.D.	"	-	12	FALIRON	
40	R.A.S.C. Mob Centre	CM/633/1	-	15	CASTELLA MARE	
41	17 Veterinary Depot	IV/67/1 (Mod)	-	6	ANCONA	Majority of Cooperators in this Est have been withdrawn
42	10 Comd Depot Med Store	CM/428/1	-	24	NAPLES	
43	DDOS L of C Depot	CM/288/3	-	34	NAPLES	Believed that civilians are not required in lieu
44	616 Italian Service Stn		-	29	FABRIANO	Cooperators believed to have been withdrawn or units disbanded.
45	617 " "		-	29	FOGGIA	
46	618 " "		-	29	BRINDISI	
47	654 " "		-	29	FLORENCE	
48	614 " "		-	?	CAPURSO	
49	615 " "		-	?	PADUA	
50	653 " "		-	?	TARANTO	
51	613 Italian L of C Wksp		2	126	LUCERA	
52	AGRA Refitting Wksp	CM/436/1	-	3	CIVITAVECCHIA	
53	Z Rest and Transit Camp	CM/259/2	-	27	BRINDISI	
54	5 Transit Camp	CM/259/2	-	12	BOLOGNA	
55	2 Transit Camp	IV/74A/1 (Mod)	-	20	ANCONA	
56	All BIS (EFI) originally diluted.	III/70/2 (Mod)	-	155		Already withdrawn
57	RAC TD	CM/92/3	-	180	RIETI	
58	LAD RACTD Type C		1	19	RIETI	
59	RATD	CM/387/1	-	212	EBOLI	
60	INCR to RATD	CM/387A/1				
61	5 Bn GRID	CM/194/1	-	19	PONTE CACHANO	

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50	653 " "		-	?	TARANTO	
51	613 Italian L of C Wksp		2	126	LUCER.	
52	AGRA Refitting Wksp	CM/438/1	-	3	CIVITAVECCHIA	
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61	5 Bn GRTD	CM/194/1	-	19	PONTE CAGNANO	
62	HQ IRTD	CM/99/3	-	14	CERVINARA	
63	RASC TD	CM/464/1	-	63	NOLA	
64	RETD	CM/276/1	-	91	CAPUA	
65	2 Indep Para Bde Gp Depot	CM/622/1	-	20	LIDO DI ROMA	
66.	"A" Trg & Welfare Cntr.	CM/564/1	-	19	ROME	
NOTE:	Provisional Total		11	2080		

Serials55-62 will be released without civilian replacements when the Br units are disbanded. Transfer will depend on speed of disbandment of Br Units and personnel will require to be attached for all purposes to local Italian Army Units until disbandment completed.

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Appendix "C" to MMIA letter
SD/131 dated 5 June 45.

UNITS COMPOSED OF COOPERATORS WHO ARE WORKING FOR RN

Serial No	U N I T	WE NUMBER	STRENGTH Offrs	STRENGTH ORs	LOCATION	REMARKS
1	Italian Navy Coy	CM/172/1 (MOD)	2	281	ANCONA	
2	" " "	"	2	281	LEGHORN	
	Total		4	562		

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23 June 1945

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

23 June 1945

File No : ASD/921

SUBJECT : Demobilisation of ex-Cooperators.

TO : All Concerned.

See 54 40

1. Reference is made to this HQ letter AG 387.4/079 GCT-O of 15 June 45.

2. It is anticipated that there may be a high incidence of desertion among Italian Cooperator Prisoners of War on release from PW status. This is likely to be particularly noticeable among personnel of the demobilisable age-groups of 1914 and older, and as the Italian authorities are unlikely to be able to arrest and return more than a few of those who absent themselves, it is desired that as many as possible should be officially released. The remainder should be told clearly that their services are essential to the Allies for a further period but that they will be released as soon as possible.

3. Addressees are requested to forward to MMIA not later than 5 Jul 45, nominal rolls of Italian Cooperator personnel as under:

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4. MMIA will arrange for early demobilisation of personnel listed in replies to para.3(c) above, and of all cooperators of 1914 class and older NOT included in replies to para.3(a) and 3(b) above.

5. It is stressed that actual retention of personnel at para.3(a) and 3(b) above will depend to a certain extent on the action taken by employing HQs, but MMIA will impress on the Italian Military authorities that they must take immediate steps to inform all Italian personnel concerned that it is their duty to remain with their present units until officially released, and that they will be apprehended and punished for non-compliance with this order.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER :

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for W. D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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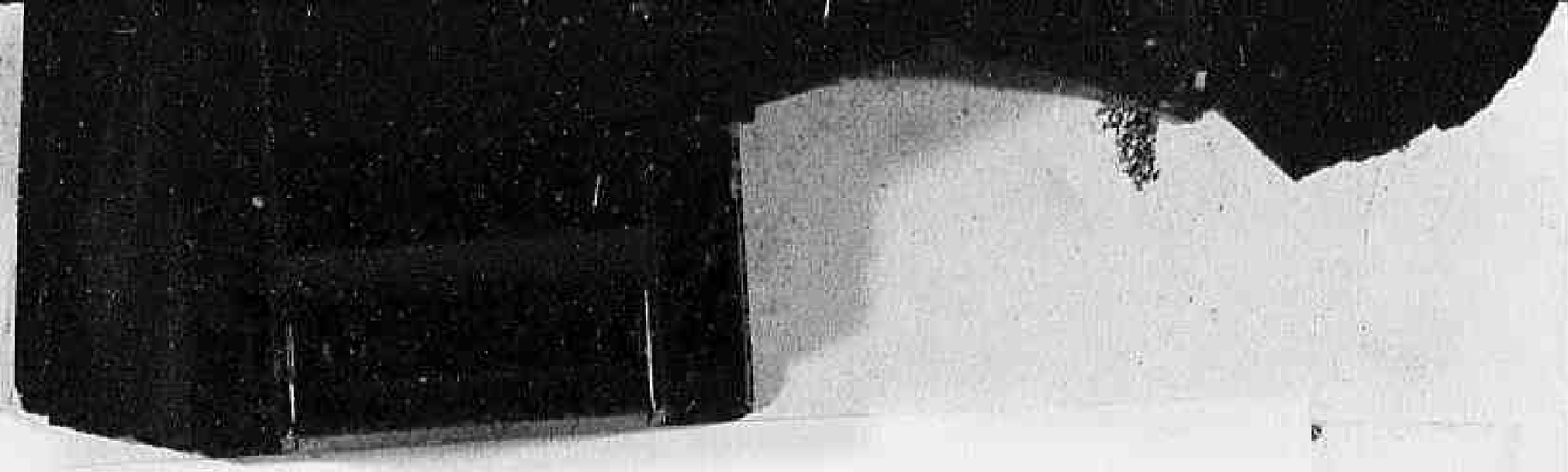
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ADV OF LOCN AND STRENGTH OF ALL ITAL COOPERATORS

UNITS IN YOUR AREA AT 1st JULY 45.

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TRANSLATION.

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FFROM: Ministry of War — REF : 14325/Ord/1

TO : M.M.I.A. — DATE: 19 June 45

SUBJECT: Alteration of the status of P.O.W. "cooperators"in Italy.

In pursuance of the instructions so far issued by M.M.I.A. orders have been issued, as we have already informed you, for the discharging of the "cooperators" in American hands (about 8.660 men). As a result of communications received from MMIA measures were taken to urge the rapid execution of the necessary operations in order that they be concluded not later than the end of the current month.

The following still remains to be provided for:-

1) the block of "cooperators" in American hands who must remain at 212 Italian HQ, transferred from the state of P.O.W. to US-ITI;

2) the block of "cooperators" in American hands who are of the 1914 (2nd and 3rd four months) or younger classes and who are to be incorporated in the Italian Army for BR-ITI or ITI-ITI units;

3) "cooperators" in English hands.

In respect of this matter we point out:-

a) in respect of the "cooperators" referred to in para 1 above, it is necessary for MMIA to give the executive instructions, informing this S.M. in time, should said instructions have to be forwarded by this S.M. to 212 Italian HQ;

b) for the "cooperators" referred to in para 2 above, it is necessary for MMIA to inform us as to how they must be split up amongst the various draft camps and take the necessary action for the required transport;

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c) in respect of the "cooperators" in English hands, no executive instructions can be given by this S.M. until MMIA informs us as to the location of the units, (as verbally promised), how many "cooperators" will be replaced by civilians, and whether the war establish--ments submitted in letter 14270/Ord/1 dated 14 inst., have been approved.

As soon as we are in possession of the above data a period of between three to four weeks will be necessary to issue and put into effect the consequent instructions. It does not appear possible, however, to be able to complete the change in status from POW to Italian troops by the fixed date of 1st July.

Consequently, while we beg of you to let us have the data requested above with all possible speed, we propose:-

to postpone for as long as is necessary the date of 1st July fixed for "cooperators" in English hands;

or, leaving this date unchanged, to permit of the "cooperators" in question being administered as they are at present, by the English units concerned, whilst waiting for the above stated operations to be completed (P.T.O)

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(Signed) RONCO
Gen.

Translated by O. Denin, Cpl

TYPED BY J.V. 22 June 1945

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SUBJECT:- Instructions for Release of Italian Co-operators in ITALY and SICILY from PW Status on 30 Jun 45.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-1(Br)/3001/1/A-2.

11 Jun 45.

1. Accounting / Documentation / Personal Effects — Instructions have already been issued to all concerned under this Headquarters letter G1(Br)/3001/1/A-2 dated 11 Jun 45.

2. Imprest Accounts: Will be closed on 30 Jun 45 and forwarded to the Command Paymaster.
Any balance of cash from Imprest Accounts will be handed in to the nearest Area or Field Cashier.

3. Welfare Funds:

(a) Accounts of all Italian Co-operator Welfare Funds will be closed on 30 Jun 45. All balances to the credit of such funds will be handed in to the nearest Area or Field Cashier and will be placed by No.8 Command Paymaster to the credit of a special suspense account which will be entitled "Italian PW (Co-operators) Central Welfare Fund".

(b) The accounts of all such funds for the quarter ended 30 Jun 45 will be audited in accordance with KR 1940 para 85 as soon as possible after they have been closed.

4. Canteen Stocks: Canteen stocks having been bought out of Unit Funds will not be withdrawn.

5. Welfare Purchases: Any Welfare Purchases made by Units will remain with units in their new status.

6. Identity Documents: Identity documents issued by British Authorities to Co-operators will remain in their possession until they are issued with the Italian equivalent.

7. Disposal of Co-operators in Hospital or undergoing Detention:

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7. Disposal of Co-operators in Hospital or undergoing Detention:

(a) Co-operators who are patients in British Military Hospitals at 1 Jul. 45 will be transferred on or as soon as possible after that date to the nearest Italian Military Hospital. Reports of all such transfers will be forwarded to G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon on AF W.3012A.

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(b) Co-operators serving sentences of detention not exceeding 28 days in 209 PW Camp will serve such sentence in full. On release they will be despatched to the nearest Italian Reinforcement Depot, (RAVISCANINA).

8. Co-operators to remain in PW Status on Disciplinary Grounds:

(a) Co-operators/.....

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8. Co-operators to remain in PW Status on Disciplinary Grounds:

(a) Co-operators awaiting trial by Military Court in ITALY or SICILY will not be released from PW status on 1 Jul 45 but will be retained in British custody and brought to trial under District arrangements. Any such co-operators who are subsequently acquitted will immediately be released and despatched to the nearest Italian Reinforcement Depot, pay being credited up to the actual date of release.

(b) Co-operators who prior to 1 Jul 45 have been apprehended or surrendered themselves in ITALY or SICILY from absence without leave for a period exceeding 4 days, but have not at that date been transferred to NORTH AFRICA will not be released from PW status. Such co-operators will be transferred to NORTH AFRICA via 209 PW Camp in the usual way.

9. Applications for Relegation: No application for relegation to non co-operator status will be considered unless received at this Headquarters by 20 Jun 45.

10. Remittances: Remittances may continue to be made under "Administration of Italian Co-operators" para 48 until the last pay day.

11. Co-operators transferred from NORTH AFRICA to ITALY after 30 Jun 45:

(a) Co-operators called forward to ITALY from NORTH AFRICA after 30 Jun 45 will be released from PW status at the expiration of 14 days from date of disembarkation from which time the terms of this Headquarters letter AG 387.4/079 GCT-O dated 15 Jun 45 will apply.

(b) For the purpose of change of status of any such co-operators this Headquarters letters AG.387.4/079 GCT-O dated 15 Jun 45 and G-1(Br)/3001/1/A2 dated 11 Jun 45 and of this instruction will be read and have effect as if the dates fourteen and fifteen days subsequent to the date of disembarkation were

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(c) Headquarters, B.T.N.A. and Headquarters, M.A.A.F. will respectively ensure that M.M.I.A. receive copies of all communications relating to the transfer of co-operators from NORTH AFRICA to ITALY after 30 Jun 45.

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12. Disposal of Civilians employed as Co-operators in Pioneer Coys:

(a) Civilians (including merchant seamen) who are employed as co-operators in Pioneer Coys will be released from PW status on or as soon as possible after 1 Jul 45 and will thereupon be despatched to their homes or if without homes to No.1 Transit Camp, BARI.

(b) The procedure/.....

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(b) The procedure laid down in this Headquarters letter CR/3821/G-1(Br) dated 27 Mar 45 will apply to the release of such civilians with the exception of paras 2 and 3 thereof, for which the following procedure will be substituted.

(c) Nominal rolls of civilians released including the address to which each man was proceeded on release will be forwarded in triplicate to G-1(Br) A.F.H.Q., together with both copies of AFs. W.3488. Civilians will be informed on release that Statements of Account will be forwarded to them at a later date.

13. Clothing and Necessaries: Personal clothing and necessaries held by co-operators to approved scale as at 30 Jun 45 will be retained by them on conversion to BRITIs. A consolidated voucher in respect of such personal clothing and necessaries will be prepared by the Unit concerned and submitted to MMIA through Ord channels, in accordance with para 9 AG letter 400/031 GDS-O of 6 Oct 44. MMIA will then debit such clothing and necessaries to Italian Government through existing channels. Holdings of Reserve and Winter Clothing held within units will be returned through Ord channels to RSD. Thereafter they will become the maintenance responsibility of MMIA from clothing and necessaries made available under terms of AG 400/103 of 22 Sep.

14. Vehicles and Ordnance Stores:

(a) Vehicles and equipment held on the WE and SELs of British Cadres will continue to be so held on conversion of Co-operator Units to BRITI Units.

(b) Vehicles and equipment other than that held by British Cadres and in use in Co-operator Units will be retained on loan in accordance with para 3 AG letter 400/105 D-O of 22 Sep 44 and para 12 (a) of AG letter 400/031 GDS-O of 6 Oct 44 for so long as the allotted task is being performed.

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A return will be rendered by each co-operator Unit to DDCS of Districts, showing holdings of vehicles and equipment in excess of British Cadre entitlements as at 30 Jun 45.
It will be the responsibility of DDOS District to maintain these lists.
When the return of the equipment is ordered, it will be checked under arrangement of DDCS District who will prepare a consolidated deficiency list of the difference between issues and receipts.
A voucher will be prepared showing these differences and an acknowledged copy obtained from DDIA who will debit the cost to the Italian Government.

15. Amendment of Previous Instruction: In paras 4(b) and (c) and 5(b) of this Headquarters Instruction issued under letter G-1(Br)/3001/1/A2 dated 11 Jun 45, DELETE the date "16 Jul 45" and SUBSTITUTE "26 Jul 45".

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SUBJECT: Release from Prisoner of War Status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily. BR-ITI.

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C.(MMIA)

SD/131

22 June 45

TO Ministry of War

1. With reference to the release from Prisoner of War status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily vide this HQ letter SD/131 dated 21 June 45:-

2. The following arrangements will be made for the reorganisation of Cooperator Prisoner of War Units under British control on release to BR-ITI Italian Army status.

(a) Units with an administrative element considered adequate by the Italian Authorities, and units to which it will be reasonably possible to add an Italian administrative element, will be retained unless otherwise directed by AFHQ. Where, as in some "diluted" British units, it would be impracticable to provide Italian Administration, personnel will be withdrawn as reinforcements for other units, under arrangements Ministry of War, as directed by this Headquarters.

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SUBJECT: Release From Prisoner of War Status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AC (MAIA)

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21 June 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Ser F. 43. 2nd 45B

1. GENERAL - Subject to approval of revised Italian Army ceilings, Italian cooperator prisoners of war (ISU) in Italy, Sardinia and Sicily will be released from prisoner of war status with effect from 0001 hours 1 July 1945. The following instructions will then apply, and preparatory action should be taken where necessary as soon as possible. 67.

2. CONDITIONS OF RELEASE:

a. You and other appropriate Ministries of the Italian Government will automatically retain with the Italian Armed Forces personnel so released in units similar in formation and strength to those to which they now belong.

b. No personnel will be demobilized or transferred from one unit to another without Allied consent, but you will, on request by this headquarters, direct demobilization of selected personnel with a view to their voluntary re-employment by the Allies outside the Italian Armed Forces.

c. Units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but the right is reserved to attach such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as may be necessary.

d. Personnel will, from the date of release, be subject to all the conditions of service of the Italian Armed Forces, except as modified by paragraph 2 b above.

3. CATEGORIES AND SERVICES:

b. No personnel will be demobilized or transferred from one unit to another without Allied consent, but you will, on request by this headquarters, direct demobilization of selected personnel with a view to their voluntary re-employment by the Allies outside the Italian Armed Forces.

c. Units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but the right is reserved to attach such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as may be necessary.

d. Personnel will, from the date of release, be subject to all the conditions of service of the Italian Armed Forces, except as modified by paragraph 2 b above.

3. CATEGORIES AND SERVICES:

a. Personnel under American control will become US-ITIs unless declared surplus to American requirements. Personnel under British control will become BR-ITIs. Personnel of American controlled units replaced by German units will be allocated by the Ministry of War as instructed by this headquarters to complete other units in the following priority :

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(1) US-ITI Service Units.

(2) BR-ITI Service Units.

(3) ITI-ITI Units.

b. Army personnel now employed by the Royal Navy, Army or by the USAAF will assume the full status of members of the Italian Army.

c. For information you are notified that Air Force cooperator personnel now employed by the Royal Air Force will be transferred to the Italian Air Force. Non-air force personnel employed by the RAF will be transferred to the Italian Air Force and will count against the revised Italian Air Force ceiling.

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4. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY:

a. The Italian authorities, under direction of the appropriate Armed Forces Sub Commissions of the Allied Commission will from the date of release immediately assume responsibility for Italian administration as laid down in current directives for the administration of the Italian Armed Forces. This headquarters will coordinate and supervise supply to all categories in accordance with this headquarter's Adm Instr No. 12 dated 12 Oct 44.

b. Where it is impossible for the terms of paragraph 4 a to take immediate effect owing to reorganisation or other causes, units and individuals will continue under present Allied administration for the minimum period required to make the necessary adjustments, and in no case after 1 August 1945. Such personnel will be informed that their status has changed as from 1 July 1945.

c. Units will remain under present Allied operational and local administrative command, and will pass to Italian Administation of the appropriate Italian Administrative Division Headquarters.

5. DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS: Detailed instructions for closing down or adjustment of present administrative arrangements for American and British controlled Prisoner of War Cooperator Units will follow.

6. AFHQ letter AG. 387.4/079 OCT-O of 15 Jun refers.

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ALLOCATION OF US-ITI TROOPS AND SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED IN YOUR RADIO FX 94038 CITE W A G 0 2 , 16 JUNE IS NONSEQT (.)
1 (.) PRESENT PENBASE CEILING 56000 WILL NOT BE INCREASED WHEN THE UNITED STATES ITALIAN PRISONER OF WAR PERSONNEL REVERT TO ITALIAN ARMY STATUS ON 1 JULY (.)
2 (.) PROPOSED PENBASE CEILING 20000 EFFECTIVE 1 AUGUST UNDERSTOOD TO CONTAIN CONVERTED UNITED STATES ITALIAN PRISONER OF WAR PERSONNEL AND PRESENT US-ITI TROOPS, ALL OF WHICH CANNOT BE REPLACED UNDER PRESENT POLICIES (.) THIS PROPOSED CEILING OF 20000 IS SATISFACTORY (.) HOWEVER COMPLIANCE WITH THIS CEILING BY 1 AUGUST IS DEPENDENT UPON THE FOLLOWING :
A) DISPOSITION OF ALL UNITED STATES PRISONER OF WAR PERSONNEL AFTER THEY ARE CONVERTED TO US-ITI CATEGORY ON 1 JULY THAT ARE IN EXCESS TO THOSE TO BE RETAINED AS TRUCK DRIVERS AND GUARDS (.)

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B) THE AVAILABILITY OF GERMAN PRISONER OF WAR UNITS TO REPLACE THE REMAINING US -ITI UNITS DUE TO BE RELEASED (.)

C) THE AVAILABILITY OF GERMAN PRISONER OF WAR UNITS TO REPLACE ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS (PRISONER OF WAR) THAT ARE DUE TO BE RELEASED (.)

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SUBJECT: Release From Prisoner of War Status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily

TO: All Concerned

1. GENERAL - Subject to approval of revised Italian Army ceilings, Italian cooperator prisoners of war (ISU) in Italy, Sardinia and Sicily will be released from prisoner of war status with effect from 0001 hours 1 July 1945. The following instructions will then apply, and preparatory action should be taken where necessary as soon as possible.

2. CONDITIONS OF RELEASE:

a. The Italian Government will automatically retain with the Italian Armed Forces personnel so released in units similar in formation and strength to those to which they now belong.

b. No personnel will be demobilized or transferred from one unit to another without Allied consent, but the Italian Government will, on request by this headquarters, direct demobilisation of selected personnel with a view to their voluntary re-employment by the Allies outside the Italian Armed Forces.

c. Units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but this headquarters reserves the right to attach such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as may be necessary.

d. Personnel will, from the date of release, be subject to all the conditions of service of the Italian Armed Forces, except as modified by paragraph 2 a above.

3. CATEGORIES AND SERVICES:

a. Personnel under American control will become US-ITIs unless declared surplus to American requirements. Personnel under British control will become BR-ITIs. Personnel of American controlled units replaced by German units will be allocated by ITI to complete other units in the following priority:

(1) US-ITI Service Units.

(2) BR-ITI Service Units.

(3) ITI-ITI Units.

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b. Personnel now employed by the Royal Navy, Army or by the USAAF will assume the full status of members of the Italian Army.

c. Air Force cooperator personnel now employed by the Royal Air Force will be transferred to the Italian Air Force. Non-air force personnel employed by the RAF will be transferred to the Italian Air Force where possible and will count against the revised Italian Air Force ceiling.

4. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY:

a. The Italian authorities, under direction of the appropriate Armed Forces Sub Commissions of the Allied Commission will from the date of release immediately assume responsibility for Italian administration as laid down in current directives for the administration of the Italian Armed Forces. Land Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission (AMG) will coordinate and supervise supply to all categories in accordance with letter, this headquarters, file AG 400/105 O-O, dated 22 September 1944, subject: "Supply of Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy, and Air)".

b. Where it is impossible for the terms of paragraph 4 a to take immediate effect owing to reorganisation or other causes, units and individuals will continue under present Allied administration for the minimum period required to make the necessary adjustments, and in no case after 1 August 1945. Such personnel will be informed that their status has changed as from 1 July 1945.

c. In the case of British controlled units, Army and Air Force Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission will establish immediate liaison with G(S) 2nd Echelon and appropriate staffs of this headquarters to ensure a smooth handover in all branches of administration. For American controlled units, similar liaison will be established with major commands.

d. Units will remain under present Allied operational and local administrative command, and will pass to Italian Administration of the appropriate Italian Administrative Division Headquarters.

5. DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS:- Detailed instructions for closing down or adjustment of present administrative arrangements for American and British controlled Prisoner of War Cooperator Units will follow.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Scheduled release of Italian Prisoners of War in United States custody (reurad PBS 7364 cite BPGAP, BPGCT, BPGDS, BPSPM and BPLNO, copies not to all) in military class of I9I4 and older is subject. In letter from this Headquarters to ALCOM I9 April 45 reference the change in status of Italian Prisoners of War in ITALY, the general plan on the change over was reviewed and it was stated that this personnel would automatically become part of the Italian Army on I July and "personnel incorporated in these units will not be demobilised without Allied consent and transfer of such personnel as between units will be subject to Allied approval".

You are hereby authorised to retain the minimum amount of key personnel of military class of I9I4 and older for the minimum amount of time necessary, either to complete your projects or to train suitable replacements of other categories. Such per--sonnel who would normally be scheduled for release should be released as fast as practicable. Specific detailed instructions on change of status and release of Italian Service Unit personnel will be issued by this Headquarters shortly.

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SUBJECT: Release from Prisoner of War Status of Italian Cooperators in Italy and Sicily

TO: All Concerned

1. Reference is made to letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 15 June 1945.

2. The following arrangements will be made for the reorganisation of Cooperator Prisoner of War Units under British control on release to BR-ITI Italian Army status.

a. Units with an administrative element considered adequate by the Italian authorities, and units to which it will be reasonably possible to add an Italian administrative element, will be retained unless otherwise directed by this headquarters. Where, as in some "diluted" British units, it would be impracticable to provide Italian administration, personnel will be withdrawn as reinforcements for other units, under arrangements Land Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission (~~HTT.~~).

b. Land Forces Sub-Commission, Allied Commission (~~HTT.~~) ~~will be~~ responsible for submission of all new or re-written War Establishments to this headquarters for approval by WEC. British personnel will be shown on separate war establishments from Italians. Where organisational changes are desired by Staffs or Services, ~~HQ~~ amendment proposals will be submitted as soon as possible in accordance with letter, this headquarters, file 210/Org-3, dated 14 March 1945.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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I. It has been decided that all Italian co-operators in ITALY and SICILY will be released from PW status on 1st July, '45.

2. Detailed instructions as to the conditions affecting such release and as to administration subsequent to change of status are in course of preparation and will be issued shortly.

3. In the meantime, in order that units may proceed at once with the work involved, the attached instructions are issued upon accounting and the documentation prodedure to be followed.

A.S. BARSDORF,
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A.S. BARSDORF,
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Instructions for Accounting and Documentation on Release of Italian Co-operators in Italy and Sicily from PW Status on 1 Jul 45.

Closing of Accounts.

1. Accounts on A.F.W 3488 will be closed as at 30 Jun 45. Each A.F.W 3488 will be examined by the unit concerned to ensure that pay has been credited from date of capture, that all debits have been correctly entered and that all entries have been signed by the PW. A kit check will be held as late as possible before the closing of the accounts and any deficiencies will be debited and surpluses taken into stock.

Preparation of Nominal Rolls.

2. Nominal rolls of all Co-operators will be made out by all units,(including 5 G.R.U.D) to show the following details:-

PW Number.
Rank.
Name.
Period for which pay credited.
Balance debit or credit (in sterling).

Nominal rolls will be divided into four parts to be rendered on separate sheets with number of copies as follows:-

(a) Co-operators on unit ration strength on 30 Jun 45 (5 Copies).
(b) Co-operators on leave. (5 Copies).
(c) Co-operators absent without leave or awaiting trial by Military Court. (5 Copies).
(d) Co-operators in hospital or undergoing detention. (3 Copies).

Preparation of Individual Statements of Account.

3. Individual "Statements of Account for the period in which in the pay of the British Authorities" will be prepared in duplicate for all co-operators on unit strength, excepting those absent without leave, in hospital, undergoing detention or awaiting trial by Military Court. Printed pro formas may be obtained from Stationery Depots on demand.

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Disposal of Nominal Rolls.

4. (a) Three copies of nominal rolls referred to in para 3 (a) (c) and (d) will be despatched to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on or as soon as possible after

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(c) Co-operators absent without leave or awaiting trial by Military Court. (5 Copies).
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Disposal of Nominal Rolls.

4. (a) Three copies of nominal rolls referred to in para 3 (a) (c) and (d) will be despatched to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on or as soon as possible after 30 Jun 45.

(b) Three copies of nominal rolls referred to in para 3(b) will be despatched to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on 16 July 45. If by that date any co-operator who was on leave at 30 Jun 45 has not returned to his unit, he will be treated as absent without leave and a note to that effect made opposite his name on each copy of the nominal roll before despatch.

(c) Two copies of the nominal roll referred to in para 3 (a) will be despatched to Allied Commission (IPW Sub-Commission) on or as soon as possible after 30 Jun 45 and two copies of that referred to in para 3(b) despatched to Allied Commission, (IPW Sub-Commission) on 16 July 45.

Disposal of Statements of Account, A.Fs W3000 and 3488.

5. (a) The original "Statement of Account" referred to in para 4 duly completed and stamped by the unit will be handed to the co-operator on 30 Jun 45 and the Duplicate with the form of receipt thereon, signed by the co-operator, will be attached to A.F. W3488.

(b) In the case of co-operators absent on leave on 30 Jun 45 the procedure set out in 5 (a) above will be followed on their return from leave, provided such co-operators return before 16 July 45.

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(c) A.Fs W3000, both copies of A.Fs W3488 and duplicate "Statement of Account" in respect of all co-operators on unit strength, and A.Fs W3000 and both copies of A.F. W3488 of all co-operators absent without leave on 30 Jun 45, will be forwarded to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon on or as soon as possible after 30 Jun 45. In the case of co-operators absent on leave on 30 Jun 45 the above-mentioned documents will be forwarded to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon whether or not such co-operators have returned from leave on 16 July 45.

(d) ...F. W3011.. or 3012. will be rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon with the nominal rolls referred to in para 4 above in respect of each co-operator released.

Procedure by Hospitals.

6. The procedure detailed in paras 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 above will be followed by hospitals so far as applicable.

Procedure by 209 PW Camp.

7. (a) The procedure detailed in paras 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 above will be followed by 209 PW Camp in respect of co-operators serving sentences of not more than 28 days detention unexpired at 30 Jun 45, as and when such sentences expire.

(b) Co-operators serving sentences exceeding 28 days unexpired at 30 Jun 45 will be despatched to 211 PW Camp.

Personal Effects.

8. (a) All co-operators who have not had their personal effect already returned to them will be invited to make a claim for any possession or currency taken from them while a PW and for which a receipt is held, which should show:-

PW NAME.
RANK
NUMBER.
ADDRESS.
DATE OF OCCURRENCE ON WHICH CLAIM IS BASED.
CIRCUMSTANCES OF CLAIM.
DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES CLAIMED.
PARTICULARS OF RECEIPT, IF ANY.

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PW NAME.
RANK
NUMBER.
ADDRESS.
DATE OF OCCURRENCE ON WHICH CLAIM IS BASED.
CIRCUMSTANCES OF CLAIM.
DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES CLAIMED.
PREVIOUS NOTICE CLAIM, IF ANY.

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(b) A receipt will be given for each claim handed in. The receipt will not acknowledge the validity of the claim, but merely its receipt.

(c) Such claims will be forwarded by units concerned to C.H.Q., 2nd Echelon, who will, where possible return any belongings to the O.C. Unit for handing to the Co-operator.

9. It is essential that all nominal rolls and statements of account should be accurately prepared. In particular units will carefully check the correctness of all PW numbers and the spelling of all names before nominal rolls are despatched.

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T R A N S L A T I O N C O P Y.

SUBJECT : ITALIAN P.O.W's(ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS) UNDER AMERICAN CONTROL, POSTED TO P.B.S.

FROM : MINISTRY OF WAR. REF : 17979/Mob.

TO : M . M . I . A . SD/131 DATE : 8 . 6 . 45.

(1) The instruction regarding the posting of 3,000 Italian Cooperators, to be demobilised, to the BARI, NAPLES , ROME ,or FLORENCE TERRITORIAL H.Q's cannot be carried out when said H.Q's lack all necessary equipment to receive them or because there are no Transit Camps that can take them in.

(2) On the other hand it would not be possible from a practical point of view,without a long period of warning,to switch over from civilian to military rationing, Serious drawbacks,the importance of which cannot ever be estimated, would undoubtably result.

(3) I consider a better solution would be if :-
P.B.S mustered, under their own care,at a determined point (which might be the premises of the TERRITORIAL H.Q's or some place near by)the co-operators to be released,continuing to feed them for the period strictly necessary to carry out their demobilisation.
The TERRITORIAL H.Qs' sent to the mustering points the personnel necessary to carry out demobilisation.

(4) For the same reasons set forth in Para 1. I consider it would be necessary to send the 3,000 co-operators, to be taken into the Army,tobbe transit camps at TRANI, RAVISCANINA, ORVIETO and FROSINONE for the subsequent posting to units.
This would comply with M.M.I.A's procedure at present normally in force.

(Signed) E. ROMCO. 3879

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(Signed) E. ROMCO. 3879

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SUBJECT: Cooperators Absorbed Into Italian Army.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
TEL: 489061 Ext 533
A 106
9 June 45

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TO : ITALIAN P.W. SUB COMMISSION, A.C. (2)

Ref conversation Maj ALPER-Capt MAXWELL.

1. W.e.f. 1 July 1945 cooperators now serving with British formations will be absorbed into the Italian Army.
due to

2. The administration of these men will now become an Italian responsibility, and calls for the formation of a number of administrative H.Q's with a corresponding demand for officers to operate them.

3. Since the supply of such officers from War Ministry sources is not sufficient to meet this demand, it is requested that consideration be given to the possibility of obtaining 100 officers, with suitable administrative qualifications, from the large numbers believed to be available in North Africa.

4. The proportion proposed by rank is:-

6	Lt. Cols.
15	Majors
80	Captains and Subalterns
100	

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5. Please treat this matter as urgent as time is short in which to complete the organization.

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GSO 2 (3)
GSO 3 (1)

W.P. Dudley Ward
Major General
M.M.I.A.

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DATE/TIME OF ORIGIN : MAY 201630 B DATE TIME REC'D : MAY 201810 B

PRECEDENCE : R O U T I N E

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FROM: HQ 15 ARMY GROUP

TO : AFHQ CITE FMGAG, 5TH ARMY, MAIN 8TH ARMY, DISTONE

INFO: MMIA, HQ A.C, CP DISRWQ, PENBASE.

SA/HF F2

R E S T R I C T E D.

1. 5 ARMY, 8 ARMY, DISTONE AGREE AOR APS 67 OF 14.

2. RECOMMEND ANY PRIVILEGES GRANTED BE EXTENDED ALSO TO ITALIAN COOPERATORS

3. REQUEST YOU ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS BOOMEST.

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TO : G.C.C.

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The following is the Co-operators position in chronological sequence.

FOLIO	
21 C	FAN 467. CCS direct that status of Italian POW be changed.
21 B	AMCOM submits to AFHQ proposals as to how the change in status can be carried out.
21	Minutes of Conference held at AFHQ to determine policy to be adopted to implement change in status.
21 D	AFHQ inform AC of the details of the recommendations they propose making to CCS of the manner in which it is intended to implement the change in status of POW; of the proposed effective date of 1 July; and request AC to obtain views of Italian Govt.
22	IPW Sub Comm ask Italian Govt if the conditions proposed by AFHQ are acceptable to them.
24	Italian Govt replies to IPW Sub Comm agreeing the conditions and effective date.

21 D — AFHQ inform AC of the details of the recommendations they propose making to CCS of the manner in which it is intended to implement the change in status of POW; of the proposed effective date of 1 July; and request AC to obtain views of Italian Govt.

22 — POW Sub Comm ask Italian Govt if the conditions proposed by AFHQ are acceptable to them.

24 — Italian Govt replies to POW Sub Comm agreeing the conditions and effective date.

27 — AC inform AFHQ of Italian Govt's agreement as in 24 above.

From the above it will be seen that 1 July is definitely the date we should work to. Col Ridsley is chasing official confirmation.

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Lt. Col.

G(SA)
24 May.

Thanks
DB
24 May

24th.

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DATE TIME OF ORIGIN : MAY 170942

MESSAGE CENTRE NO: E/1137
DATE TIME REC'D : MAY 171635 B
PRECEDENCE : PRIORITY

FROM: A.F.H.Q. SIGNED SACMED FHGEG
TO : ALCOM ROME

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SIGNAL RECEIVED TODAY FROM A G W A R SHOWS INTENTION RETURN ITALIAN P O W TO I T A L Y BY EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE THEY CAN BE RELEASED FROM LABOUR IN U S (.) INTENTION ALSO TO GIVE ITALIAN SERVICE UNIT PERSONNEL PRIORITY OVER NON-COOPERATORS (.) REQUEST MADE FOR ASSURANCE THAT UP TO 33,000 ITALIAN SERVICE ~~XXXXXXXXX~~ UNIT PERSONNEL CAN BE ACCEPTED AS UNITS AND FOR ADVISE OF RATES OF RETURN PER MONTH POT THESE ~~XXX~~ AND OTHER ITALIAN PRISONERS (.)

YOUR VIEW REQUESTED BY SIGNAL AS MATTER OF URGENCY

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

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FROM: MMIA

TO : AFHQ

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SUBJECT IS TRANSFER OF CO-OPERATORS TO ITALIAN ARMY

1. CONSIDER THAT IF TRANSFER ALL CO-OPERATORS TO ITALIAN ARMY IS ORDERED AT LEAST TRANSFER WILL TAKE FIVE WEEKS TO COMPLETE

2. REQUEST THEREFORE EARLIEST POSSIBLE NOTIFICATION YOUR DECISION IF PRESENT TARGET DATE OF JULY 1st TO BE ATTAINED

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

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SMG allocation Jacket. From Caserta to the General = the General to the Min.

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Maj Barnes, Staff Log. No

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OPTIONAL MESSAGE

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FROM : MEDIA DATE TIME

TO : AFHQ 17 B WP

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FOR H I N D L E Y G3(OPS) FROM D R O W N I N G (*)

REF A.C. SIGNAL 7407 DATED 12 M A Y I WAS NOT REPEAT

NOT CONSULTED BEFORE DESPATCH (*) I STRONGLY OPPOSE

THIS PROPOSAL AS IMPRACTICABLE ON MANY GROUNDS AND REQUEST

THAT MY DECISION TO AGREE BE TAKEN BEFORE MY FULL VIEWS

ARE REPRESENTED

PRECEDENCE

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FROM: HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXC — 12 MAY 45

TO : AFHQ for G 5 — ROUTINE

REF : 7407 — CONFIDENTIAL

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S/AG 10/1 F.

DESIRE REOPEN SUBJECT HANDLING OF ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR
OUR LETTER 8262/COS DATED 12 DECEMBER 44 (.)
IT IS STILL CONSIDERED OPINION OF THIS H Q's THAT
L A N D F O R C E S S C , HAVING AS ITS OPPOSITE
NUMBER THE I T A L I A N M I N I S T R Y O F
W A R , IS THE PROPER AGENCY TO DEAL WITH THE LARGE
NUMBERS OF RETURNING PRISONERS OF WAR (.)
SUGGEST THAT EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES NOT PREVIOUSLY
OBTAINABLE COULD NOW BE MADE AVAILABLE (.)
WOULD LIKE EARLIEST RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION YOUR
LETTER G-5334-15 DATED 3 FEBRUARY 45

S/AG/10/1. F.

See F.29.

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Chief Commissioner
Land Forces S/G

W A R , IS THE PROPER AGENCY TO DEAL WITH THE LARGE NUMBERS OF RETURNING PRISONERS OF WAR (.) SUGGEST THAT EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES NOT PREVIOUSLY OBTAINABLE COULD NOW BE MADE AVAILABLE (.) WOULD LIKE EARLIEST RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION YOUR LETTER G-5334-15 DATED 3 FEBRUARY 45

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Ref . IPW/35/ 36 27 April 1945

SUBJECT : CHANGE OF STATUS OF ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR (Co-Operators) IN ITALY.

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force H Q, APO 512

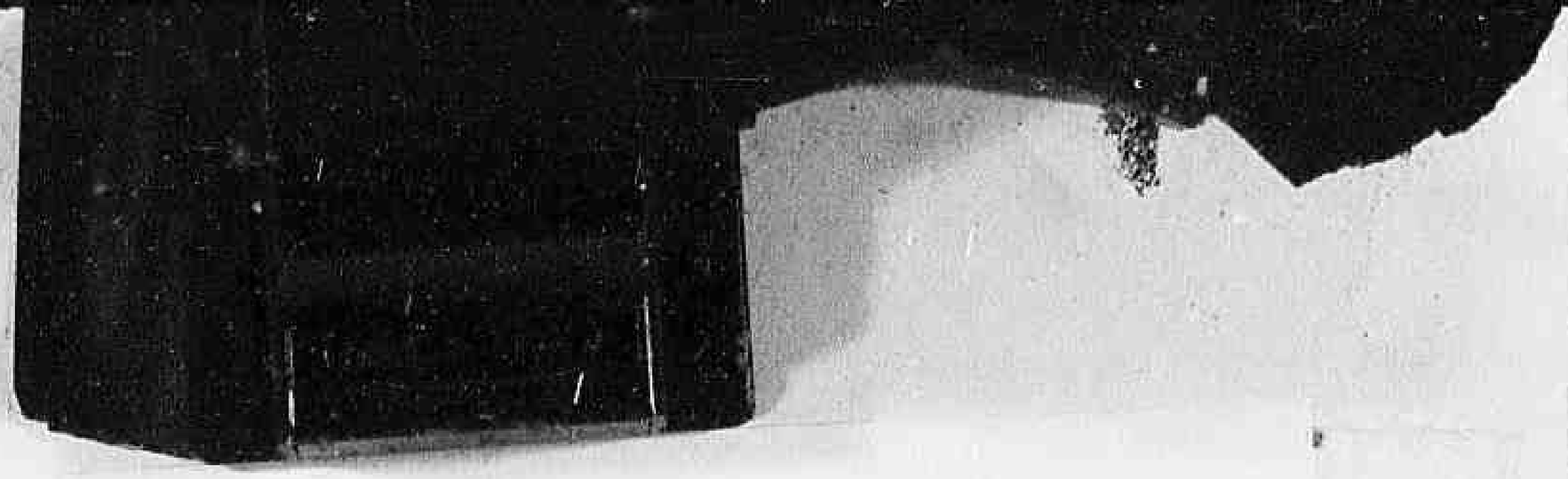
Ref AFHQ letter dated 19 April 1945 signed by the Chief Administrative Officer.

1. The Italian Goverment in letter 1310/Pol/D-8 di prot dated 26 April 1945 have accepted the conditions proposed in your above quoted letter, for the release from Prisoner of War status of Italian Prisoner of War Co-Operators held in Italy, as at 1 July 1945.

2. The Italian Goverment request permission to publish the fact that as from July 1st 1945, all Italians held PofW in Italy will become free Italian soldiers. May I be advised.

Signed

ELLERY W STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner



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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

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By Authority of
CG MTOUSA
Initials
Date 26 April 1945

In reply refer to AG 319.26/640 C-O

SUBJECT: Station List - Italian Prisoners of War

TO: Deputy President
Allied Commission
APO 394
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission MMIA

1. Attached, as requested in your SD2623, dated 23 April, is a copy of station list of all Italian Prisoners of War now under command of Peninsular Base Section.

2. A complete list of all Italian PW service units in North Africa has been requested. Upon receipt a copy will be forwarded to you.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCNARNEY:

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

1 Incl
List of Italian
PW under comd of PBS

GSO 1 X
GSO 2 (Ops) REP
GSO 2 (SD) X R.
GSO 2 (WE) X JMC for Minute
GSO 2 (L)
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SECTION V-A - UNITS ASSIGNED PENINSULAR BASE SECTION (ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS)

(1) Unit Designation	(2) T/O & E	(3) Date of T/O & E	(4) Actual Strength Off	(4) Actual Strength EM	(5) Atchd for Opnl Contr	(6) Location
ENGINEER:						
57th Engr Bn (Ital)	5-35	1 Apr 42	39	875	338th Engr GS Regt	Q042548
7067th Engr Bn (-Cos "B" & "D") (Ital)	5-35	1 Apr 42	49	557	345th Engr GS Regt	Q029427
Co "B"			9	243	345th Engr GS Regt	E608677
Co "D"			10	244	345th Engr GS Regt	E608677
7076th Engr Bn (-Cos "A" "B" & "D") (Ital)	5-35	1 Apr 42	23	310	345th Engr GS Regt	Q144503
Co "A"			8	235	345th Engr GS Regt	Q091447
Co "B"			8	232	345th Engr GS Regt	Montecatini
Co "D"			8	234	345th Engr GS Regt	Montecatini
7086th Engr Bn (-Co "C") (Ital)	5-35	1 Apr 42	35	800	338th Engr GS Regt	Q015525
Co "C"			6	239	338th Engr GS Regt	Q042658
MEDICAL:						
7029th Sta Hosp (Ital) (500-bed)	8-560	22 Jul 42	62	333	Surgeon, PBS	Q101660
7030th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	6	232d Med Sv Bn	Q031476
7031st Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	2	7	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7048th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	9	2694th TS Regt (Ovhd)	Q143575
7049th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	2	7	Hq Comd, PBS	Q030460
7050th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	2	7	30th Sig Const Bn	Q054507
7062d Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	6	49th QM Gp	Q028534
7063d Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	5	61st QM Base Dep	Q046432
7064th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	8	338th Engr GS Regt	Q042658
7065th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	7	61st QM Base Dep	Q054536
7068th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	8	10th Port	Q017475
7069th Med Det (Ital)	8-500(27)	26 Jul 43	1	8	3106th Ord BAVM Co	Q025492
7145th San Co (Ital)	8-117	23 Jun 43	11	115	SS, PBS	Q019439
7161st San Co (Ital)	8-117	23 Jun 43	8	110	70th Gen Hosp	Q532885

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
MEDICAL (CONT'D):					
7194th San Co (Ital)	8-117	23 Jun 43	4	93	Surgeon, PBS	Q101660
7206th Gen Hosp (Ital) (-Pers & Equip)	8-550	19 Mar 43				
7250th Sta Hosp (Ital) (-Pers & Equip)	8-560	27 Dec 42				
PROVOST MARSHAL:					
7004th PW Adm Co (-Det) (Ital)	MDS Ltr & 1st Ind SOS	29 Mar 44 21 Apr 44	154	117	2694th TS Regt (Ovhd)	Q022470
*Det			22	29	2694th TS Regt (Ovhd)	Q143575
7115th MP Co (Ital)	19-57	27 Nov 43	8	150	61st QM Base Dep	Q054539
7135th MP Co (Ital)	19-57	27 Nov 43	5	148	61st QM Base Dep	Q054539
7213th MP Co (Ital)	19-57	27 Nov 43	5	146	462d Engr Dep Co	Q015562
7217th MP Co (Ital)	19-57	27 Nov 43	8	150	61st QM Base Dep	Q054539
7218th MP Co (Ital)	19-57	27 Nov 43	6	151	10th Port	Q019475
QUARTERMASTER:					
7002d QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	11	205	61st QM Base Dep	Q054533
7006th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7	213	61st QM Base Dep	Q054[illegible]
7011th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7	210	61st QM Base Dep	Q054536
7012th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7	204	3106th Ord MAM Co	Q023487
7013th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	9	202	Ordnance, PBS	Q025492
7021st QM Base Dep Co (Ital)(-Pers & Equip)	10-367	26 Oct 43				
7037th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7	207	61st QM Base Dep	Q054533
7094th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	9	213	3485th Ord MAM Co	Q032483
7095th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	8	208	3485th Ord MAM Co	Q032483
7131st QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	6	213	Hq Comd, PBS	Q020460
7136th QM Dkry Co (Ital)	10-147	26 May 43	8	159	61st QM Base Dep	Q054542

* Operating Italian DTC

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
QUARTERMASTER (CONT'D):					
7137th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7 209	61st QM Base Dep	Q055555
7139th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	14 202	61st QM Base Dep	Q054533
7148th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	5 201	232d Med Sv Co	Q031476
8th QM Bkry Co (Ital)	10-147	26 May 43	9 162	61st QM Base Dep	Q054542
7173d QM Ldry Co (Ital)	10-167	10 Jun 43	9 240	631st QM Ldry Co	Q106550
7174th QM Ldry Co (Ital)	10-167	10 Jun 43	10 256	61st QM Base Dep	Q046432
7181st QM Refrig Co (1 Plat) (Ital)	10-247	26 May 43	3 64	61st QM Base Dep	Q058557
7190th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	4 187	SS, PBS	Q019439
7215th QM Salv Coll Co (Ital)	10-187	23 Jun 43	7 188	QM Salv Div	Q035468
7238th QM Salv Rep Comp Sec (Ital)	10-237	6 Jul 43	2 50	220th QM Salv Rep Co	Q035468
7249th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	7 196	61st QM Base Dep	Q054533
7252d QM Ldry Co (Ital)	10-167	10 Jun 43	7 244	61st QM Base Dep	Q046432
7256th QM Salv Rep Comp Sec (Ital)	10-237	6 Jul 43	2 51	220th QM Salv Rep Co	Q035468
ORDNANCE:					
7103d Ord Bn, Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	9-76	31 Mar 43	7 27	3485th Ord MAM Co	Q032483
7299th Ord MAM Co (Ital)	9-127	24 Mar 43	4 116	19th Ord MM Co	Q027484
PETROL-OIL-LUBRICANTS:					
7188th QM Gas Sup Co (-1 Plat)	10-77	1 Apr 42			
Det			1 24	3655th QM Gas Sup Co	E/00266
Det			1 28	3855th QM Gas Sup Co	V228677
Det			11	3836th QM Gas Sup Co	Q051513
7189th QM Tk Trk Plat (Ital)	10-57	6 Aug 43	1 27	3654th QM Tk Trk Co	Q025508
7251st QM Tk Trk Plat (Ital)	10-57	6 Aug 43	1 27	3836th QM Gas Sup Co	Q051513

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
SIGNAL:						
7125th Sig Const Co (Ital)	11-27	1 Apr 42	12	194	30th Sig Const Bn	Q054507
7262d Sig Dep Co (Ital)	11-107	1 Apr 42	15	187	200th Sig Dep Co	Q056508
7267th Sig Const Co (Ital)	11-27	1 Apr 42	12	166	30th Sig Const Bn	Q054507
TRANSPORTATION:						
7003d Port Bn (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	55-116	9 Apr 43	8	21	10th Port	Q021469
7274th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	7	182	10th Port	Q021469
7275th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	8	199	10th Port	Q021469
7276th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	8	199	10th Port	Q021469
7277th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	7	195	10th Port	Q021469
7033d Port Bn (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	55-116	9 Apr 43	62	28	10th Port	Q021470
7278th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	4	219	10th Port	Q021470
7279th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	4	216	10th Port	Q021470
7280th Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	4	215	10th Port	Q021470
7281st Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	4	216	10th Port	Q021470
7282d Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	4	218	10th Port	Q021470
7041st QM Bn (Mob) (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	10-56	8 Aug 43	36	27	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7059th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	7	130	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7077th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	130	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7078th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	128	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7079th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	127	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7080th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	129	49th QM Gp	Q026531
7058th QM Bn (Mob) (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	10-56	8 Aug 43	11	30	61st QM Base Dep	Q054536
7202d Port Bn (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	55-116	9 Apr 43	7	18	10th Port	Q017475
7291st Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	6	187	10th Port	Q017475
7292d Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	5	198	10th Port	Q017475
7293d Port Co	55-117	9 Apr 43	6	175	10th Port	Q017475
7294th Port Co	55-117	9 May 43	5	195	10th Port	Q017475

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SECTION V-A - UNITS ASSIGNED PENINSULAR BASE SECTION (ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS) (CONT'D)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
TRANSPORTATION (CONT'D):						
7207th QM Bn (Mob) (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	10-56	8 Aug 43	15	22	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7295th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	132	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7296th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	132	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7297th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	7	132	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7298th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	133	49th QM Gp	Q026548
7226th QM Bn (Mob) (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	10-56	8 Aug 43	14	19	49th QM Gp	Q028534
7060th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	7	123	49th QM Gp	Q028534
7221st QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	129	49th QM Gp	Q028534
7222d QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	130	49th QM Gp	Q028534
7223d QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	5	127	49th QM Gp	Q177617
7224th QM Trk Co	10-57	8 Aug 43	6	132	49th QM Gp	Q177617

SECTION V-B - UNITS ASSIGNED PENINSULAR BASE SECTION AND ATTACHED OTHER COMMANDS (ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS)

7225th QM Trk Co (Ital)	10-57	8 Aug 43	4	108	NCB 157, USN	Palermo
7227th QM Bkry Co (Ital), 1 Plat	10-147	26 May 43	1	43	NCB 157, USN	Palermo
7246th QM Sv Co (Ital)	10-67	1 Jun 43	3	205	NCB 157, USN	Palermo

SECTION V-C - UNITS ASSIGNED PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, ATTACHED USAFIME PENDING DEPARTURE NORTH AFRICA (ITALIAN SERVICE UNITS)

					ETD
7096th Engr Bn (Sep) (Ital)	5-35:37	1 Apr 42	48	1073	Unknown
7300th QM Sv Bn (Ital)	10-536:67	1 Jun 43	19	858	1 May 45
7301st QM Sv Bn (Ital), Hq, Hq Det & Med Det	10-536	1 Jun 43	4	16	Unknown
7310th QM Sv Co	10-67	1 Jun 43	3	216	Unknown
7311th QM Sv Co	10-67	1 Jun 43	3	216	Unknown

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SECTION VI - UNITS UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL PENINSULAR BASE SECTION (BRAZILIAN TROOPS)

(1) Unit Designation	(2) Actual Strength Off	WO	EM	(3) Location	(4) APO
BEF (Non-Divisional Units)					
Liaison Section No. 2	1		2	Caserta (MTOUSA)	FEB 422
Det	2		1	Naples (Pensouth)	FEB 422
Regulating Station	9	1	26	Leghorn (PBS)	FEB 422
Det	1		8	Naples (Pensouth)	FEB 422
QM Depot	17	2	242	Leghorn (PBS)	FEB 422
Det (F. Dep)	1	2	31	Pistoia (Fifth Army)	FEB 422
Det (F. Dep)	1		7	Florence (Fifth Army)	FEB 422
Base Post Office	10		26	Leghorn (PBS)	FEB 422
Det			1	Naples (Pensouth)	FEB 422

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ORBAT OF COOPERATORS UNDER BRITISH COMMAND

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High Commission for Italian PW
No. 1310/Pol.D-8 di Prot,

Roma 24th April 1945

To the Allied Commission
Sub-Commission for It. PW.

Info copy

Subject: Changing of the Status of It, PW in Italy.

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In answer to your letter IPW/36/34 dated the 22nd. of April 1945.

In agreement with the Italian Military Ministeries and by the order of H.E. the Prime Ministry, the Italian Government adheres to the conditions proposed by the Allied Authorities in above mentioned letter regarding the changing of the Status of Italian P.O.W. in Italy from the 1st of July 1945.

Signed The High Commissioner

Gen. Gazzera

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FROM : MMA

TO : AFHQ

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REF MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD 13 APR ON CHANGE OF STATUS OF COOPERATORS (*) TO ASSIST FUTURE OPS REQUEST YOU FORWARD PRESENT ORDER OF BATTLE AND STRENGTH ALL COOPERATOR UNITS WORKING FOR BOTH US AND BRIT

Per 26

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IPW/36/34 Copy taken from 'A' Branch file A/105. 22 April 45

SUBJECT: Change in Status of Italian Prisoners of War (Co-operators).

TO : Italian High Commissioner for Prisoners of War.

Reference your letter N° 121 Pol/D-8 dated 11 January 45 and previous correspondence as to how the change of status of Italian Prisoners of War in Italy can be effected.

1. The proposals as put forward by this Headquarters, and as agreed by you, have been carefully considered by Allied Force Headquarters, and it has been decided that the change of status can be made in the following manner, and upon the following conditions.

(a) All co-operator Prisoners of War in Italy will be released to the Italian Government on 1st July. The Italian Government will automatically transfer personnel so released in units similar in formation and strength to those to which they now belong. Such personnel will accordingly be subject to Italian law, including military law.

(b) The units to be formed for this purpose will have the status of BR-ITI or US-ITI units and will be subject to all terms and conditions affecting existing BR-ITI or US-ITI units. These units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but the Allied authorities will reserve the right to attach to such units such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as they may deem fit.

(c) Personnel incorporated in these units will not be demobilised without Allied consent and transfer of such personnel as between units will be subject to Allied approval. The replacements for personnel for whom Allied consent for demobilisation is given will be found from Italian Army replacement depots in the normal manner or from Italian Prisoners of War.

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(d) Personnel released from Prisoner of War Status, will as from the date of change of status, receive the appropriate Italian Army scales of pay, emoluments and rations.

(e) The Italian Government will upon request by the Allied authorities direct the demobilisation of selected personnel with a view to their voluntary employment by the Allies outside the Italian Armed Forces.

2. I shall be pleased to know if the conditions are acceptable to the Italian Government, so that the Combined Chiefs of Staff may be informed; and the necessary arrangements proceeded with so as to effect the change by the date mentioned.

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut=Colonel,
Director,
WAD & IPOW Sub Com.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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19 April 1945

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Minutes of Conference held 13 April under the Chairmanship of the CAO to consider the policy to be adopted to implement the change of status of Italian POW (co-operators) serving in Italy directed in paragraph 2H of FAN 487

1. For the list of those present see Appendix A.

2. The conference had before them copies of G-5 memo. 386-6 of 6 April copies of which are held by all addressees of these Minutes. For ease of reference a copy appears at Appendix B of HQs Allied Commission IP/36/9 of 5 March which sets out the manner in which the Allied Commission and the Italian Government proposed the change of status of Italian Prisoners of War (co-operators) serving in Italy should be carried out.

3. In opening the Conference the Chairman read out the terms of paragraph 2H of F.N 487 (reproduced at Appendix C to these minutes) and stressed that as CCS had given that directive this HQs must either take steps to implement it or must protest against it to CCS giving cogent reasons in support. In his view the fact that co-operator units are more efficient than Italian army units and that no alteration in status is likely to produce as good results from the Allied point of view must have been in the minds of CCS when drawing up the directive and that accordingly the consequences inherent therein must be accepted by this HQs. He felt however that the Italian Government should be expected to agree to reasonable conditions in order that the change in status should be carried out with the least possible detriment to Allied interests.

4. The Chairman then proceeded to an analysis of the difficulties which would arise out of any change in status. He instanced the inevitable removal of our disciplinary power over the individuals (though not necessarily our control over them) and dealt in broad outline with the problems which would arise with regard to pay, ration scales, NAAFI/PX stores and eligibility for release.

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5. The Chairman next reviewed and commented on the possible new types of status it would be possible to give to present Co-operators. These ranged from arranging for their enrolment in ITI-ITI units (which he did not favor) or enrolment in US-ITI and BR-ITI units (which he favoured), to reversion to civilian status or enlistment on a voluntary basis in Alien Pioneer Companies or similar units. With regard to reversion to civilian status he suggested this was a solution which might be advantageously adopted in some cases where artisans were involved and he suggested also that voluntary enlistment in Alien Pioneer Companies might well be adopted in appropriate cases as a corollary to the settlement of the main issue.

6. In conclusion the Chairman drew attention to the necessity for considering what safeguards could reasonably be imposed to ensure that the resulting loss of efficiency arising out of the change of status would be as little as possible and raised the question of Allied supervising personnel and the extent to which demobilization should be permitted. He also stated it would be necessary to decide the principle of rations, NAAFI/PX facilities and to fix a date on which the change over should take place.

7. The Chairman took note of the view held by CG MTOUSA as expressed on his behalf by G-1 (A) to the effect that CCS should be requested to withdraw their directive or postpone its application indefinitely and the conference proceeded on the basis that it was necessary to implement the directive now and that the Chairman would see CG MTOUSA and endeavour to persuade him not to press his view *.

* CG MTOUSA has since agreed not to press the point raised by him.

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8. The conference then proceeded to consideration of the points made by the Chairman in conjunction with the proposals submitted (see Appendix B) by Allied Commission and the Italian Government. As a result agreement was reached on all points. The Chairman directed that the terms and conditions agreed be drafted by Allied Commission and then be co-ordinated with all present at the meeting. This has been done and at Appendix D appears a copy of a letter dated 19 April to HQ Allied Commission signed by the C.O this HQs setting out the terms and conditions on which it is considered that CCS may be recommended to agree to the change in status directed in F.N 487. — Appx 'C'
The letter calls on Allied Commission to approach the Italian Government with a view to securing their agreement to the terms and conditions set out therein as a preliminary to submission of the scheme to CCS for final approval.

T. B. JACKMAN,
Lt. Colonel
Secretary.

For Distribution see Appx E.

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APPENDIX 'A'

PRESENT

Lt. Gen. Sir B. H. Robertson	in the Chair
Brig. Gen. A. L. Hamblen	A/CAO
Capt. P. R. Robinson RNVR	C-in-C Med
W/Cdr H. M. Fisher	MAAF
S/L Conroy, C.	MAAF
Maj. Gen. White	G-1(A)
Col. E. E. Hyde	G-1(A)
Lt. Col. A. S. Burnsdorf	G-1(B)
Capt. J. N. Graham	G-3(Org)
Maj. Gen. C. E. Magruder	G-4(A)
Major W. C. Rodgers	G-4(A)
Maj. Gen. A. C. Duff	G-4(B)
Capt. P. Boter	PMG
Col. A. R. Rees-Reynolds	PM(Br)
Mr. P. Mroad	Br. Res. Min.
Mr. C. Offie	U. S. Polad
Mr. T. Estes	U. S. Polad
Brig. Gen. G. M. Spofford	G-5
Lt. Col. T. B. Jackman	G-5
Brig. G.R. Upjohn	HQ. Allied Commission
Col. C. P. Kerr	Land Forces Sub Commission (HMLA)
Lt. Col. J.A. Campbell	HC. Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

Ref: HF/36/9 5 March 1945

SUBJECT: Change in Status of Italian Prisoners of War (Co-operators) in Italy.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

1. With reference to para. 2(h) of FAN 407 (the new directive from Combined Chiefs of Staff on the Allied Commission) and your letter dated 23rd, November 1944 signed by General Cannell, Chief of Staff.

2. The following embodies the combined proposals of the Commission and the Italian Government as to how the change in status of Italian Prisoners of War in Italy can be carried out.

(a) All Co-operator Prisoners of War in Italy to be released at a certain date to the Italian Government, who will automatically retain these men in units similar in formation and strength, but in accordance with the existing Italian law, including Italian Military Law.

(b) Subsequently the Italian Government will demobilise those over age, and where necessary postpone the demobilisation of certain specialists until replacements can be found. The Italian Government will also take steps to induce certain types of trained specialist personnel (due for demobilisation) to serve for a further period by offering a cash bonus.

(c) Replacements for those discharged to be found from Italian Army replacement depots in the normal manner, and/or from Italian Prisoners of War (who have many specialists amongst their numbers) to be repatriated as soldiers from North Africa (especially those in French hands), Egypt, Kenya, India, and South Africa (it is stated by the Italian Government that no labour units have been formed in South Africa although many Prisoners of War have volunteered to co-operate.)

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(d) Allied Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers with Co-operator units to be replaced by Italian Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers, and where essential a cadre of Allied Officers to remain.

(e) The present rates of pay now received by Co-operators will cease, and as from the date of change of status they will go on to appropriate Italian Army scales of pay and emoluments.

(f) Co-operators on release to receive in cash all credit balances due; and to retain the privilege and benefit of purchasing PX/NAAFI stores for a limited period until canteen facilities can be provided by the Italian Army. However, as a number of Army re-inforcement personnel will (vide 2(a) above) be drafted to replace wastage, there may well be difficulties in having in the same unit some men with access to PX/NAAFI stores and others without. For this reason, it may be considered preferable to pay out instead a final cash bonus to all Co-operators, apart from the bonus suggested in 2(b) above.

(g) The ceiling of the Italian Army to be increased by the number of Co-operators now in and destined for Italy.

3. Although these proposals may give rise to certain difficulties from the Allied military point of view, they represent in my opinion, the best method of carrying out the terms of FAN 427 and should be accepted.

/s/ ELLERY W. STONE

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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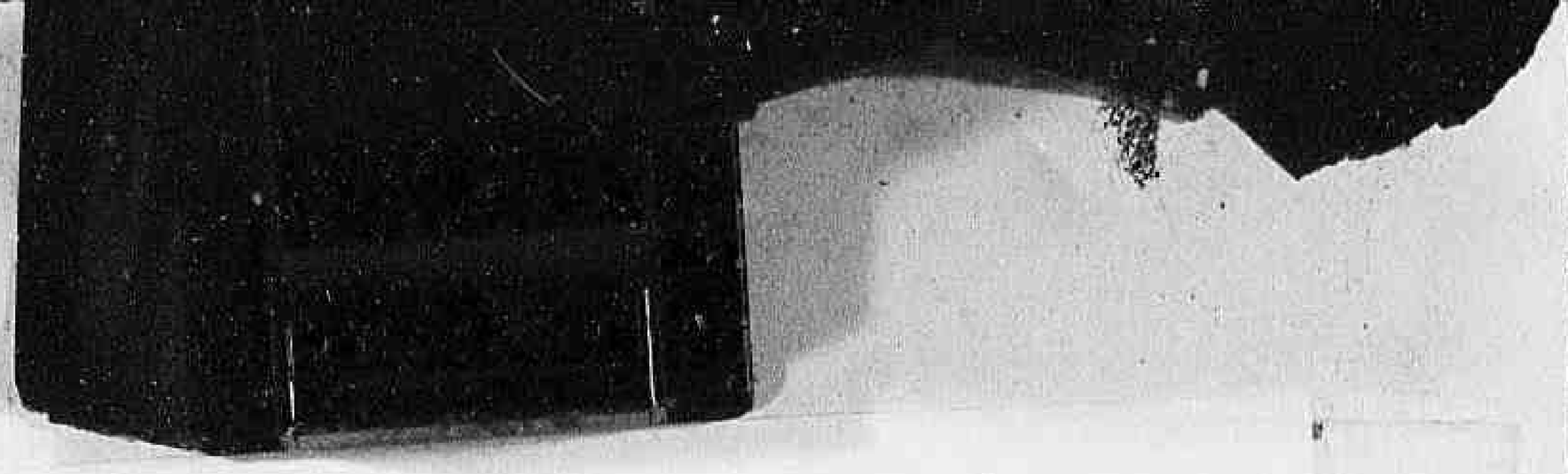
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APPENDIX 'C'

Extract from FAN 487.

2. H. The status of Italian Prisoners of War now or hereafter held in ITALY other than those captured since the armistice was signed should be terminated by you upon adequate assurance being given by the Italian Government that their services will continue to be made available on terms satisfactory to you as Supreme Allied Commander subject to Combined Chiefs of Staff approval.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

19 April 1945

SUBJECT: Change in Status of Italian Prisoners of War (Co-operators).

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
APO 394.

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1. Reference is made to your IP/I/36/9 of 5 March, forwarding the combined proposals of the Allied Commission and the Italian Government as to how the change in status of Italian Prisoners of War in Italy can be effected so as to implement paragraph 2H of FAN 487.

2. The above proposals have been considered at a conference held in this Headquarters on Friday 13 April, at which you were represented. As a result, it is proposed to recommend to the Combined Chiefs of Staff that the change of status be made in the following manner and upon the following conditions:

a. All co-operator Prisoners of War in Italy will be released to the Italian Government on 1 July. The Italian Government will automatically retain personnel so released in units similar in formation and strength to those to which they now belong. Such personnel will accordingly be subject to Italian law, including military law.

b. The units to be formed for this purpose will have the status of BR-ITI or US-ITI units and will be subject to all terms and conditions affecting existing BR-ITI or US-ITI units. These units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but the Allied authorities will reserve the right to attach to such units such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as they may deem fit.

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b. The units to be formed for this purpose will have the status of RR-ITI or UG-ITI units and will be subject to all terms and conditions affecting existing RR-ITI or UG-ITI units. These units will be commanded by Italian officers and NCOs but the Allied authorities will reserve the right to attach to such units such Allied supervisory and technical personnel as they may deem fit.

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d. Personnel released from Prisoner of War Status will, as from the date of change of status, receive the appropriate Italian Army scales of pay, emoluments and rations.

e. The Italian Government will upon request by the Allied authorities direct the demobilization of selected personnel with a view to their voluntary employment by the Allies outside the Italian armed forces.

3. It is requested that you will approach the Italian Government with a view to securing their agreement to the foregoing modified proposals so that they may then be submitted to the Combined Chiefs of Staff as promptly as possible.

s/ BRIAN H. ROBERTSON

t/ BRIAN H. ROBERTSON
Lieutenant General
Chief Administrative Officer.

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Subject :- Italian Co-operators.

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To : Italian Liaison Section
c/o 52 Area

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TLO/30
26 Mar 45

1. Your 1119/4 dated 23 March 45 has been forwarded to this office under cover of 52 Area's A/91/1 of 24 Mar 45.

2. It is confirmed that the 800 Italian Cooperators have now come under control of Italian Military Authorities, and are now at TRANI, awaiting reassignment.

E.L. Mann-Mason
Capt. R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C.(M.M.I.A.) 52 Area

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AA QMG, 52 Area (your A/91/1 dated 24 March refers).

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Add. → A.C. i/c P.O.W. S-C.

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Reference. Lt Col Campbell (POW SC) spoke 12/3. (Cliff Arden | A) have been requested to pass copies of Pvs 40/5 & 16 to POW. 12/3.

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TO : 52 AREA FOR MMIA LO
54 AREA FOR MMIA LO
PENSOUTH FOR MMIA LO

REF NO : SD 2425

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UNDERSTAND 812 VOLUNTEERS FOR MULSTEERS EX MIDEAST MAY ARRIVE ONE OF YOUR PORTS 10 MARCH (x) THESE ARE REQUIRED FOR POSSUMTOWN (x) REPORT ARRIVAL

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FROM : AFHQ SIGNED ALEXANDER REF NR : FX 38271

TO : MIDEAST CITE : FHGAB

RPTD : MMIA

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SECRET (*) YOUR AI/92450 OF 3 MARCH PARA 5 (*) ASSUME ITALIAN PW OFFICERS 12 O.R. 816 INCLUDE 812 VOLUNTEERS AS MULETEERS ASKED FOR OUR FX 26241 OF 13 FEB (*) PLEASE CONFIRM AND STATE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH 12 OFFICERS ARE DESPATCHED (*)

FOR MMIA ETA ABOVE MENTIONED PARTY 10 MARCH

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FROM : AFHQ

TO : MMIA

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SECRET

SUBJECT COOPERATORS AND ITALIAN PsW (.)

IN REPLY VERBAL QUESTION THERE ARE 12355 COOPERATORS IN ITALY AND SICILY ON BRITISH ORBAT AND 17500 ITALIAN PsW ON AMERICAN ORBAT (.) BRITISH EMPLOY AS DILUTION INCREMENTS IN HEADQUARTERS OF DISTRICTS, AND GARRISONS AND AS ARTISAN WKS COYS, WORKSHOP PLATOONS, ESDs, DIDs, ANN COYS ETC (.) ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE FROM ITALIAN ARMY IS THAT INCREMENTS OF ONE OR TWO MEN ARE HELD WITHIN SOME BRITISH WEs AND NO ARRANGEMENT MADE FOR SELF ADM (.) AMERICANS EMPLOY ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION ENGR WORK AND TRUCKING

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SUBJECT: Italian Muleteers

LAND FORCES SUB-COM; A.C. (MMIA)

SD / 131

19 Feb 45

TO : Ministry of War

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Reference this HQ letter SD/131 of 18 Feb 45.

Attached hereto are nominal rolls referred to in above-mentioned letter. It is regretted that these were not enclosed with the original communication.

Major-General.

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SUBJECT: Italian Muleteers

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. SD/131
18 Feb 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Attached are nominal rolls of personnel now in the Middle East who have volunteered for service as muleteers.

2. The men are now being sent to ITALY as soon as possible. You will be advised of the details of their arrival as soon as these are known.

for Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Subject:- Italian Co-operator Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
AG/11/1

12 Feb 45.

A.F.H.Q.
for G1 (Br).

1. As arranged between Capt. Hilton and G1 (Br) attached are the certificates obtained from 2 officers and 27 O.R.'s; co-operator personnel who have certified their willingness to be re-enrolled into the Italian Army and lose their cooperator status. A list of the personnel concerned is shown at Appendix "A".

2. The Ministry of War has been instructed to receive these men into the Italian Army and post them to R.T.C. I.C.F. CHIARI, where they now are, as instructors for the Mechanics School.

for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- A.F.H.Q. for G3 Org.
" " R.E.M.E.
B.L.O. R.T.C. I.C.F.
G. M.M.I.A.
Spec.Sec. M.M.I.A.

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Appendix "A"
to M.I.A. letter
AG/11/1 of Feb/45

Nominal of Italian Officers and O.R.s Instructors
in the MECHANICS SCHOOL.

OFFICERS.

Ten.	SAVIO	F.Bellouni,1. BIELLA (Vercelli)	NA/T 35774
2nd Ten.	CAROBBI	M.A.Via Vergiolesi 11,PISTOIA	NA/T 35777

Warrant Officers.

Mar.	Alossa	F. Via Stefano. Belbo (Cuneo)	T/ 187006

Sgts & Sgt Majors.

Sgt, M.	Bortesai	W. Via La Vittoria,9,PARMANA	NA/T 38351
" "	Giudici	G. Via Fresco LIJO (Como)	NA/T 20441
" "	Luisi	V. Via Vetera, 5, VARESE	NA/T 395
" "	Martini	U. Via Nacci, 61 FIRENZE	NA/T 62825
" "	Nasolini	O. Via Provinciale, Pisona 98 PISA	NA/T 823
" "	Pinin	G. Via R.Pariano, 20 RIMINI	T/ 247001
" "	Polello	M. Via Strada,Vercelli 44 CASALE MONTERRATO (Alessandria)	NA/T 38466
" "	Raffaelli	R. Corso Magento 87 Milano	T/ 193335
" "	Salerno	R. Via Carlo Pisacane 50 VITTORIA(Ragusa)	T/ 192383
Sgt	Bacchiera	F. Casce Gerola Fraz Gerola Pavia	NA/T 34807
"	Cerioli	G. Torre Picenardi S.Lorenzo (Cremona)	NA/T 33874
"	Cottullo	G. Piazza Vitt.Veneto, 13 TORINO	T/ 183176
"	Montaguti	B. Via Morgani, 2 MILANO	NA/T 40790
"	Stabilini	V. Via Zacco 2, Varese	T/245750
"	Varese	F. Via P.M. Peciaudi 2 PARMA	T/ 193310
Cap.Magg	Nunno	A. Via San Giamone 28 ROMA	T/ 192106
"	Mussinmo	D. Via Roma 39 TRIESTE (Udine)	NA/T 36888
"	Peverini	N. Via S.Lucia 18 CASTELFIDARDO DI OSIMO (Ancona)	T/ 183639
"	Rosina	G. Via Settembrini 74 MILANO	NA/T 40772
"	Ruffini	P. Via Vittorio Veneto SONDRIO	NA/T 28060
Cap.	Ricardi	M. Via Michele Coppino 79 TORINO	NA/T 192589
Sold.	Beretta	N. Via Selvanesco 57 MILANO	T/ 186937
	Ramagelli	P. Via Bella Vista 42 COSTA MASNAGA(Como)	T/ 183375
	Galimberti	V. Piazza Mercati 4b OGGIONO (Como)	T/ 240308
	Chislendi	G. Via Vitt. Veneto 8 POSTIDA (Bergamo)	T/ 186606
Sgt.	Gastaldon	G. Via Portico Scuro 2 TRIESTE	T/ 179404

is at present being held by 713 Workshops R.E.M.E.
as witness in a court martial, and will be arriving
at the Mechanics School at a later date.

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Transfer of personnel from Prisoner of War (Cooperator Status) to the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
ROME
AQ/11/1

17 Feb 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is a list of officers and O.R.'s now at CESANO, ex prisoners of War, who are willing to be transferred to the Italian Army and to be released from Cooperator status.

2. At Appendix "B" is a copy of the form which each man has signed. These forms have been forwarded to A.F.H.Q.

3. You are requested to re-enrol these men into the Italian Army and post them to R.T.C. I.C.F., CESANO. They will be used as permanent staff for the Mechanics School.

S P Archer Capt.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- G. M.M.I.A.
Spec.Sec. M.M.I.A.
B.L.U. R.T.C. I.C.F.

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AQ/11/1 of Feb/45

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Sgt	Bacchiera	F. Casce Gerola Frez Gerola Pavia	NA/T 33874
"	Cariola	G. Torre Picenardi S.Lorenzo (Cremona)	T/ 183176
"	Gattullo	G. Piazza Vitt.Veneto, 13 TORINO	NA/T 40790
"	Montagnati	B. Via Morgani, 2 MILANO	T/ 24575
"	Stabilini	V. Via Bacco 2, Varese	T/ 1933
"	Varese	F. Via P.M. Paciaudi 2 PARMA	T/ R
Cap.Magg	Menno	A. Via Don Giannone 28 ROMA	NA/T R
"	Mussinano	D. Via Roma 39 PALUZZO (Udine)	R
"	Peverini	N. Via S.Lucia 18 CASTELFIDARDO DI OSIMO (Ancona)	T/ 1
			NA/T
"	Rosina	G. Via Settembrini 74 a MILANO	NA/T
"	Ruffini	F. Via Vittorio Veneto SONDRIO	NA/T
	Ricardi	M. Via Michele Coppino 79 TORINO	T/
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Sold.	Pamegalli	F. Via Bella Vista 42 COSTA MASNAGA (Como)	T/
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	Ghislandi	G. Via Vitt.Veneto 8 PONTIDA (Bergamo)	T/
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I..... age .....

of.....

am willing to be transferred to the Italian Army proper, and be released from Cooperator Status for the specific purpose of Instructing at Cesano.

I understand and agree to the conditions of the Italian Army.

Date.....

Sgd.....

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Landfmcos 8/c.

SUBJECT:- Italian Muleteers.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CR/3905/G1(Br).

14 Feb 45.

M.M.I.A.

1. Reference your cable Q 2752 dated 7 Feb and this Headquarters cable FX 26241 dated 13 Feb to G.H.Q., Middle East Forces.

2. Herewith nominal rolls of personnel for transfer.

3. Mideast anticipate that it will be possible to arrange despatch in the immediate future.

P. THORP,
Major, D.A.A.G.,
for Major General,
DAG, G.1(Br).

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Encl.

HEADQUARTERS 15 FEB 1945 G.

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SUBJECT: Italian P.W. - Service Repatriation.

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

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5 Feb 45

TO : A.F.H.Q. (for G1 Br) - 3 copies (ref MEIA TS/C/L of 1 Jan para. 12 j.)
A.C. for FT Sub Com (Ref LFS/1/11/351 of 9 Jan.)

SD/131

1. The formation of units of the Italian Army under Allied control, particularly of fighting units for Combat Groups, is handicapped by a lack of suitable man-power in that part of ITALY now in our hands.

2. Most of the man-power in South ITALY at the time of the Armistice comprised home service and second line troops and those unfit for service. The best fighting material was either overseas or training in North ITALY.

3. Of the Italian Forces overseas some 400,000 are understood to be P.W. in Allied hands, including many junior officers and specialist soldiers of the types more urgently required.

4. This is a valuable source of man-power which, if properly organised and controlled, would enable the Italian Forces working with the Allies to be kept up to strength with men of the best type, and so ensure the best use of the equipment, clothing and rations being provided by the Allies.

5. I have received the views of the Ministry of War and attach (as Appx 'A') a copy of a letter of the Chief of Staff to the High Commissioner of P.O.W. dated 21 Dec which I consider represents the case very well.

6. I have spoken on this matter with the Chief of Staff and the C.A.O. AFHQ who agree that it should be considered fully.

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R. Brownell

Major General
M.M.I.A.

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APPX 'A' to MIA letter
T.C/4 of 2 February 45

TRANSLATION

From: S.H.A.E.F.
To : High Commissioner for P.O.W.

Ref: 10592/Prob
Date: 21/12/44

Further to 9540/Gen dated 21/12/44.

1. As your excellency is well aware the SHAEF is encountering great difficulty in taking up units and rfts, either for the Combat Groups or for other units under our control or that of the Allies.

These difficulties are chiefly due to the lack of officers, specially junior regulars, and specialist OR's particularly in those trades for which there is greater demand and in which specialists take longer to form.

Since the yield of the call-ups now in course does not appear to imply a solution of the problem, a total or partial solution can only be arrived at by means of the officers, regulars or reserve, and specialist ORs at present P.O.Ws.

This solution, in addition to giving the joy of repatriation to those whose behaviour, discipline and faith have made them worthy of it, would strengthen and fortify the Army, would improve efficiency of the Combat Gps, and would make it possible to weed out and replace the inept, the weak and the slack.

The repatriation of said personnel would enable us, among other things, to :-

improve the cadres and personnel of the units.
return to civilian activities the older and less fit for war strain emergency commissioned officers who would have to be retained otherwise.
release or employ otherwise such elements who though not altogether chosen, had to be posted to Combat Groups and other units owing to lack of better ones.
have an availability, at Rft Depots, of personnel for replacement of losses which the Groups will no doubt have in action.

2. With this object in view, first requirements of personnel are shown on the enclosed schedules split in ranks and specialties. The total is :-

3,400 officers of which, if possible, 1,200 to be regulars and the rest emergency commissions.
28,000 tradesmen ORs.

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3. As regards ORs repatriation to be obligatory, for war duty, in the case of classes 1915 to 1923 and younger, giving preference to the younger ones, i.e. covering requirements starting with the youngest.
In the case of emergency commissions, repatriation to be voluntary by written request. In the application the officer must undertake to return to Italy to be posted to a Combattant unit at the front. Preference will be given to the youngest of equal rank.
In the case of regular officers repatriation to be obligatory giving preference in cases of equal rank to the youngest.

4. This SCNE would appreciate if repatriation could start with the "Cunard" and "Regina" Divs and later from EGYPT, INDIA, S. AFRICA and USA until requirements are met.

5. Selection of personnel to be repatriated, to be carried out bearing exclusively in mind military requirements, will be entrusted to the oldest and highest ranked Italian officer in each P.O.W. Camp where repatriation is to take place. Said officers must have given proof, in the opinion of the Allied Authorities holding them, of being worthy of such a trust.

6. Repatriation to be carried out in drafts of not over 1500 officers and 10,000 ORs per month.
Will you please approach the competent A.F. authorities on the matter?

(Sgd) [illegible]

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ANNEX 'A(1)' to WAIS letter
TS/6/4 of 5 February 1945

Reference No 10592/Mob

List of Officers and Other Ranks Proposed
To Be Repatriated From P.O.W. Camps.

Officers			
Lt Col and Major			
Infantry	101	)	
Artillery	50	)	
Engineers	20 (1)	)	All Regulars
R.T.	10	)	
Med	40	)	
Chemists	2	)	
Supplies	2	)	
Total	225		

Captain:			
Infantry	343		of which at least 143 regulars
Artillery	117		of which at least 50 regulars
Engineers	70 (2)		of which at least 25 regulars
R.T.	60		of which at least 20 regulars
Med	50		of which at least 20 regulars
Chemists	5		of which at least 2 regulars
Supplies	20		of which at least 10 regulars
Admin	10		of which at least 5 regulars
Total	675		275

Lt and 2/Lts:			
Infantry	1007		of which at least 280 regulars
Artillery	367		of which at least 110 regulars
Cavalry	28		of which at least 7 regulars
Engineers	495 (3)		of which at least 143 regulars
R.T.	367		of which at least 103 regulars
Med	129		of which at least 30 regulars
Chemists	5		of which at least 2 regulars
Supplies	74		of which at least 18 regulars
Admin	28		of which at least 7 regulars
Total	2500		700

Note: (1) of which 2 railway men
(2) of which 4 railway men
(3) of which 25 railway men

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SPECIALIST OR's

Despatch Riders	3,200	
Dvrs, M.T's, and Tank Dvrs.	12,000	
Wireless Operators	5,000	
Switchboard & Telegraph Operators	600	
W/T Mechanics	600	
Phone Mechanics	400	
Electricians	1,000	
Carpenters	1,000	
Mechanics, etc.	2,000	383?
Armourers and Arty tradesmen	1,200	
Varnishers	200	
Nurses and Med Orderlies	800	
TOTAL	28,000	

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APPX 'B' to [illegible] letter
TS/C/4 of 5 February 45

MEETING TO CONSIDER THE REPATRIATION OF ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR FOR SERVICE IN THE ITALIAN ARMY.

1. PRESENT:

Representative of :-

A.F.H.Q. G-1 British
G-1 American
G-3 Org (For)
G-4 Maint
G-5
Nav

A.C. (P.W.)
M.M.I.A.

2. AGENDA.

1. Present position of the Italian Army (M.M.I.A)
2. Italian P.W. in Allied Hands. (AFHQ)
3. Types and numbers required. (M.M.I.A)
4. Safeguards - Selection and Screening.
5. Conditions of Return - Volunteers and Forced.
6. The Time Factor
7. Transportation.
8. Reception.
9. Recommendations.

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TRANSLATION

From Ministry of War

To MMIA

Ref 102151/I
133-3-1
Date 26 Jan 1945

Subject: Transfmn of PWs with cooperator status

With ref to the questions put fwd by Maj BAUMANN on the above subject, I beg to state that:

(a) Italian PWs on parole already in Italy or to be transferred to Italy should be considered as military ex-PWs and as such returned to the Italian authorities who would arrange for their intake into the Army. Once regular units had been formed they could be placed at the disposal of the Allied authorities. Only thus could the military, legal, and social position of said military be made normal.

(b) The legal position of these soldiers, after the above measures had been taken, would be well-defined, i.e. the same as that of all the other ex-PWs.

Those who, during their imprisonment, have cooperated with the Allies will not be penalized, both because our laws do not stipulate any punishment in this case, and because of the message which Marshal BADOGLIO broadcast to all Italian PWs on the 11 Oct 1943, urging them to cooperate with the Allies.

If collaboration is understood to incl the crime of desertion or any other one committed before the armistice, I consider that it would be possible to arrive at a legal arrangement based on the measures contained in the BADOGLIO-MCFARLANE agreement.

(c) These measures might affect the tps concerned in the following way:

- Demob of those entitled to it.
- Reduction of pay and benefits now enjoyed with a consequent reduction in output.

The demob of a certain number of tps could be compensated by the repatriation of other ex-PWs, of younger classes, still liable to mil service and eventually by engaging, on a voluntary basis, a certain number of tps entitled to demob

In order to avoid the evil effects which a reduction of material benefits would have on morale and on output it would be necessary to improve the material benefits of all tps posted to the auxiliary units. This improvement in conditions to be put at the expense of the Allies.

The Minister

/s/ A. CASATI

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Trasm. A G 2 (L)

MINISTERO DELLA GVERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 102/51 f. 1 Allegati

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Risposta al f. del

Roma, 26 GEN. 1945

Div. F.

OGGETTO: trasformazione unità prigionieri italiani liberi sulla parola.-

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

In merito a quanto prospettato dal maggiore BAUMANN di codesta Sottocommissione circa la trasformazione di unità prigionieri italiani liberi sulla parola, comunico:

a) - i prigionieri italiani liberi sulla parola già in Italia o da trasferire in Italia dovrebbero essere considerati militari ex prigionieri e come tali restituiti alle autorità italiane, le quali provvederebbero ad inquadrarli nell'Esercito.- Una volta costituiti in reparti regolari potrebbero essere messi a disposizione delle autorità alleate.- Solo in tal modo la posizione militare, giuridica e sociale di detti militari sarebbe

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b) - la posizione giuridica dei militari in questione, dopo l'attuazione del provvedimento indicato, sarebbe ben definita e cioè uguale a quella di tutti i reduci dalla prigionia di guerra.-
Coloro che durante la prigionia hanno prestato la loro opera a favore delle Nazioni Unite non saranno perseguiti penalmente, sia perchè le nostre leggi non prevedono sanzioni in proposito, sia per il messaggio col quale il Maresciallo Badoglio, in data 11 ottobre 1943, invitava tutti i prigionieri di guerra italiani a collaborare con gli alleati.-
Qualora per collaborazione si intenda anche il resto di diversione o altro consumato prima dell'armistizio, ritengo che si potrebbe addivenire ad una sistemazione giuridica in base alle disposizioni previste nell'accordo Badoglio-Mac Farlane (in corso di perfezionamento);

c) - i riflessi che si potrebbero avere sui militari interessati sono:
- invio in congedo degli aventi diritto;
- diminuzione degli assegni ed agevolazioni ora goduti e quindi diminuzione di rendimento.-

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All'invio in congedo di una parte di militari si può sopperire con altri reduci da prigionia, di classi giovani, aventi obblighi di servizio ed eventualmente con l'ingaggio volontario di una aliquota dei militari che avrebbero diritto al congedo.-

Per evitare le ripercussioni morali e sul rendimento che causerebbe una diminuzione del trattamento materiale, sarebbe necessario apportare un miglioramento a tutti i militari addetti alle truppe ausiliarie, miglioramento che dovrebbe essere a carico degli alleati.-

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SUBJECT: Cooperators.

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
25 JAN 45
SD/132

TO : Chief of Staff, A.C.

1. GENERAL

(a) I have just heard unofficially that a proposal to change the status of all Italian P.W. (cooperators) in ITALY, numbering some 15,000, and absorb these into the Italian Army is being discussed with A.F.H.Q.

(b) As I am vitally concerned in this matter, I presume I shall be asked my views on the military aspect of the business.

(c) Meanwhile, I bring to notice certain points which bear on the latter.

2. POINTS (a) Ceiling

These 15,000 cooperators are at present authorized as additional to the ceiling of 313,000 for the Italian Army. If they are absorbed into the army, there will be 15,000 less personnel contributing to the war effort, unless the ceiling is raised by that amount. The ceiling of 313,000 is already less than that demanded by Gen. ALEXANDER.

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(g) Clothing
Will they don dyed green battle dress vice their existing khaki B.D. and come on to the reduced scale of Italian Army clothing?

(h) Amenities
Will they give up their NAAFI etc privileges?

(i) Legal
I am not in a position to comment on the legal aspect of this change of status. But it is clear that the cooperator personnel would be considerably worse off and probably very loath to change. We should certainly not get the same work out of them or the same content. Moreover, at present, cooperators cannot be taken to fight, as presumably they could be, if freed. For this reason as well as that of the reduced standard of living, I foresee a situation where Italian political

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2. (i) (Cont'd)

leaders (understandably) are pressing for change in the anomalous status of cooperators, while the latter (equally understandably and vehemently) are refusing to be changed..!

(j) Effect on remainder of Italian Army

After change of status, unless the cooperators are put on exactly the same footing as the rest of the Italian Army there is bound to be considerable grievance in the latter, and friction if ex-cooperators and the army soldiers are intermingled either in units or localities.

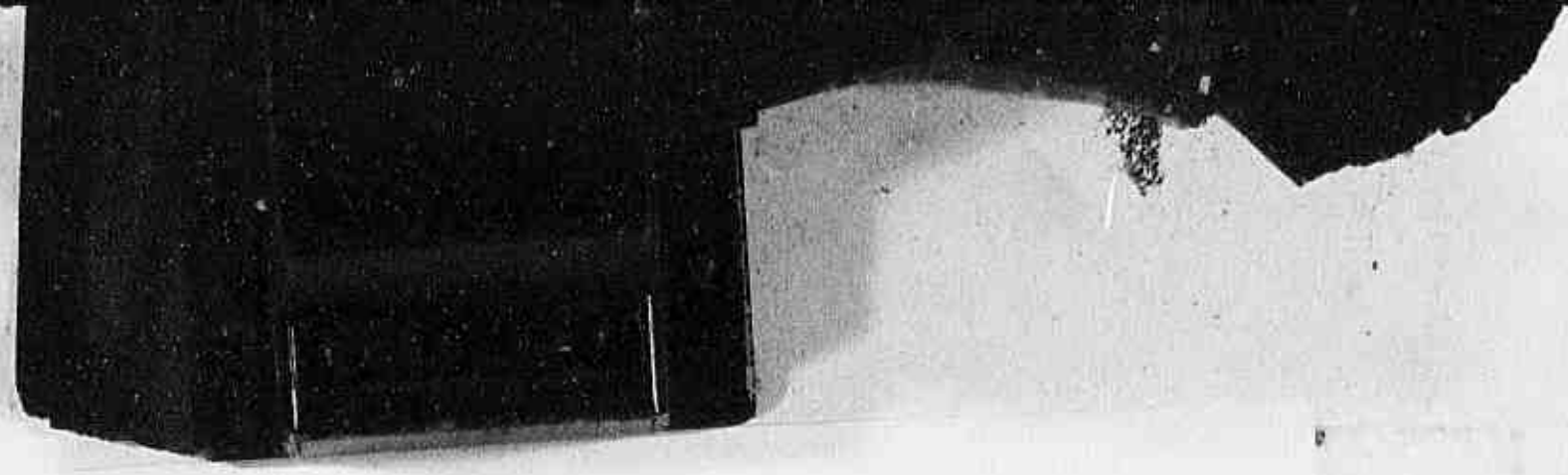
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REF YOUR F 21713 DATED 6 (*) WOULD BE PLEASED TO ACCEPT ONE THOUSAND MULETEERS INTO ITALIAN ARMY AS VOLUNTEERS

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Authentication Major D.SL. GREGSON.

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YOUR AC 2738 OF 4 FEBRUARY (.) PARAPHRASE OF MIDEAST A5/61798 OF 24 JANUARY FOLLOWS (.) THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 1,000 MULETEERS HELD IN MIDEAST AS P W WHO WOULD VOLUNTEER TO SERVE IN ITALIAN ARMY IF RELEASED (.) MIDEAST WILL DESPATCH SOONEST ON NOTIFICATION OF NUMBERS REQUIRED BY US

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G1: I would suggest taking 500 bundles instead and with proportion of officials

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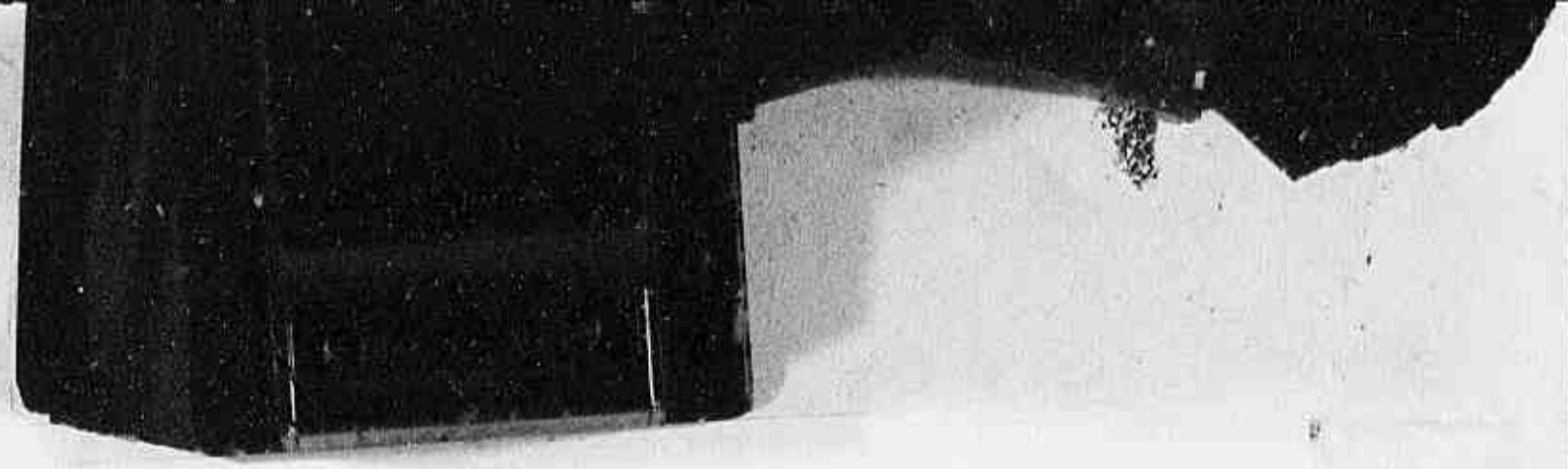
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FROM: AFHQ Date 3 Feb

TO: MIDEAST

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FX 20468 CITE FHGAB INT SECRET

YOUR A-5/81798 OF 24 JAN (*) PLEASE DESPATCH BY FAST AIR NOMINAL

ROLL OF ALL ITALIAN PW OF 1914-1925 CLASSES YOU CAN OFFER WHO ARE (a) SCREENED SECURE (b) CONSIDERED SUITABLE FOR REPATRIATION FOR EMPLOYMENT IN ITALIAN ARMY (c) WILLING AND FIT TO SERVE AS MULETEERS IN FORWARD AREAS

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Int:

GSD.

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C.O.S., A.C.

1. I agree that the Italian proposals are "woolly".

2. (a) As I see it, if we change the status of the P.W. Cooperator, we cannot hedge this about with conditions.

(b) The cooperator has got to remain as he is or become an ordinary Italian citizen subject to the law of the land as regards call-up etc. That is the price of his freedom and a simple straight-forward policy.

(c) To juggle with status i.e. by introducing a new type of citizen/soldier who signs a declaration to serve on at the same pay, rations etc.

(i) is too complicated

(ii) would tend to create dissatisfaction among regular soldiers who would be doing the same or more dangerous work under less lucrative and pleasant conditions.

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4. (a) If we accept the policy as in 2(b), the following can be done:-

(i) Free all cooperators without conditions.

(ii) Absorb direct into the Army all those of military age classes.

(iii) Demobilize those over age.

(iv) Replace (iii) by ordinary call-ups, or other repatriated P.W. freed completely similarly to the cooperators.

(v) Keep Ex-cooperator units as they are, posting officers and NCOs as required.

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(vi) Add the cooperator ceiling to the existing Army ceiling, the whole becoming one Army ceiling.

(b) There will inevitably be a dislocation period while the rearrangement of units is happening, but we have to accept this.

5 Feb 45

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Major General
U. M. I. A.

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