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3 DLO / 18 / HX SIG UNITS

Opened Feb. 13, 1945. Closed Nov. 2, 1945

Feb. - Nov. 1945

MMH LO8

Ref. folios 6 & 7.

HQ 227 Div. has been requested to
take the necessary actions.*Finalized
for C 140*13(1) I. H. O (227)(2) Ten. NICOLAI
- - - - -
Sgt. H. O

Please see folio 12.

Request you inform on 227 Div the necessity
for the Workshop officers to be chosen to
be good at their jobs. It is essential that they
be capable of putting right the appalling
transport situation of section under command
173 Sgt. Coy. (Conversation 21220 - O'DONNELL
evening 31 Oct report).
Please report action taken

Go Donald
Capt
MMH LO.

(NOV 45)

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(2) Ten. NICOLAI
Sup. L. O.

Please see files 12.

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Please report return

Geo Donald
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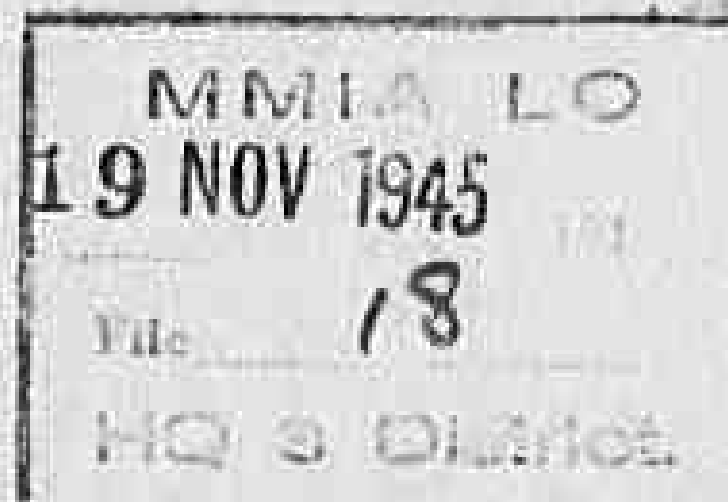
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SUBJECT:- Soap for Italian Line Seas

X (2)

Ord
MMIA LO 3 District



3 District
BASEBALL 15
465 Q

19 Nov 45

Ref your 4061 C X 110 of 9 Nov 45.

1. The increase in the soap ration demanded would bring the scale higher than the basic scale for British troops plus the increment for cleaning.
2. Authority is given for an increase in scale, under the terms of AFHQ/2554/1/Q(Maint) of 25 Feb 45, so that the total issue shall be 11 ozs per man per month.
3. The cost of this issue will be charged to the Italian Government through the normal system.

CFM/mic

(C.F. MASON) Maj
for Col
DA & QMG

2001

Subject :- SOAP for Italian Line Sections.

MMIA LO
10 NOV 1945
File 18.
HQ 3 District.

3 District
Tel Ext 41
4061C x110
9 Nov 45

"Q" 3 District

MMIA LO 3 District ✓
OC 11 L of C Signals.

replied to reply

Reference conversation Major MASON - HUNTER.

1. Authority is requested for increase of soap ration (250 grammes per man per month from Italian sources) by 112 grammes per man per month for 624 men of Italian Line Sections employed by 11 L of C Signals.
2. Existing Italian soap ration scale is considered to be insufficient in view of the dirty work on which the men are employed.

CHG/L.

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[Signature]
Colonel,
Chief Signal Officer.

2000

1 NOV 1945

MMIA

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31607

MEDY V LROF NR 7606

VR 2-3

FRO MMIA 311600 A

TO MINSISTRY OF WAR

INFO DISTHREE FOR MMIA LO - C S O 3 DISTRICT

GR -- BT

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MMIA LO
1 NOV 1945
18
NO 3 DISTRICT

REF A 1361 UNCLASSIFIED

LINE SECTIONS IN 3 DISTRICT REQUIRE 1 WORKSHOP OFFER AND

FIVE VEHICLE MECHANICS (.) THESE WILL BE FOUND FROM 1735

CMA 1763 CMA 1764 AND 1765 WORKSHOP PLATOONS NOW BEING

DISBANDED AND PLACED AT 227 DIV DISPERSAL FOR 173

SIGS COY BEFORE PERSONNEL ARE POSTED AWAY

VIDE SD /6/2 OF 31 OCT 45

BT 316100 A

Not yet
sent

CCR - D T G - READS - 31 1610 A IMI 8/ 311610 A

SENR NR 7606 PTC AT 2000 A K

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CCR -

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4 LINE LAST GP- " BEING "

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SUBJECT :- Indents - Italian Line Secs

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LO LAND FORCES SUB COMM
AC (MMIA), 3 DISTRICT
Baseball 2
Ref 3DLO/18

10 Oct 45

11 L of C Signals

Please find attached indents forwarded to this office in respect of Italian Line Secs working with you.

It is certified that these items are not available from Italian sources.

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EO'D/ell
Capt
MMIA LO

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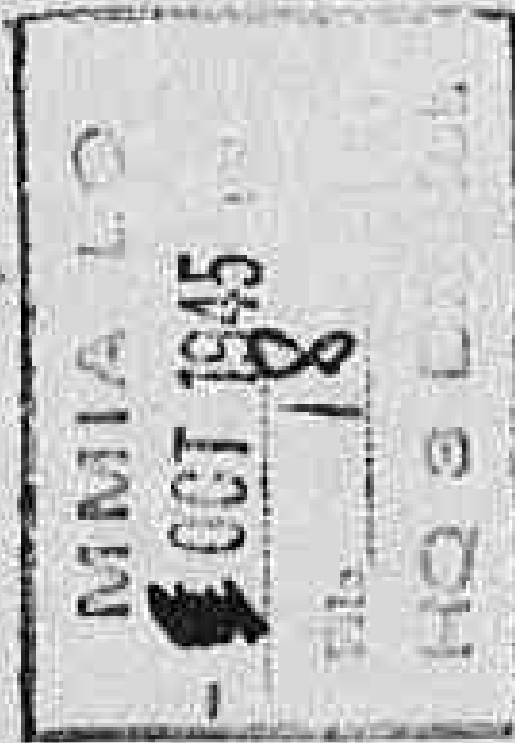
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11/LC/6/GEN/1.

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Subject : Protective Clothing. -

To : C. S. O.,
3 District



Reference conversation CROCKER-UDELL.

1. The undermentioned clothing was recently indented for in respect of six Italian Line Sections held on the strength of this Unit.

Boots rubber, Thigh	27.	<i>Gambella</i>
Boots rubber, Knee	162.	<i>Gambella</i>
Jerkins, Leather.	626.	<i>perle</i>
Jackets, Oilskin	162.	<i>perle</i>
Trousers, Oilskin	162.	<i>perle</i>
Stockings, Sea-Boot	54.	<i>perle</i>
Stoves, Heating	36.	<i>perle</i>

2. The indent was returned, and ADOS referred this Unit to MMIA.
3. In view of the fact that the efficiency of communications will largely depend on these Italian Sections, it is requested that representation be made to higher authority for issue of the clothing required. -

Field.
4 October 45.

Sgd : Capt Hunt

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*Gammelle
Lubetto's
Pelle
Pelacchi*

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Field.
4 October 45.
LCU/HJM

Capt Hunt
Sgd : for Lt. Col. R. Signals
Base at
1998

*Aug 48941
C/L 527*

Adg 48

SUBJECT: - Disbandment of Units - Italian Army.



3 District
Tel Ext 24
104/2681
10 Aug 45

1A 56 AREA (6)

G(SD)

G(IE)

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Ord

1A LO

ILO

Land Forces Sub Commission

AC(14)

518 ITALIAN LINE SECTION.

Reference attached copies of AFM, G1(Br)/1074/1.1(Ser 2807) dated 3 Aug 45.

1. The disbandment of the above named unit, wcf 1 Aug 45, will be effected under your supervision.

2. Unit will be instructed to apply to ADOS for disposal instructions for Ordnance stores and equipment incl amm, vehs and staff controlled stores.

ADOS will submit a report to ADOS this HQ giving details of all vehs stating WD Nos, type and classification.

3. Completion report will be forwarded in quadruplicate to this HQ by 24 Aug 45.

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1-10-45
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RESTRICTED.

SUBJECT: - Disbandment of Units - ITALIAN.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
G-1(Br)/1074/A-1 (Ser 2807).3 Aug 45.518 ITALIAN LINE SECTION
182 ITALIAN TECHNICAL MAINTENANCE SECTION
924 ITALIAN DOCKS OPERATING COMPANY
124 ITALIAN FIELD BAKERY.

1. The above mentioned units will be disbanded as shown below:-

Unit (i)	W.E. (ii)	Effective Date (iii)	Location (iv)	Supervisory Authority (v)
518 Italian Line Sec	CM/465/1 (XII/303/1)	1 Aug 45	NAPLES	HQ No.3 District.
182 Italian Tech Maint Sec	CM/829/2	31 Jul 45	BOLOGNA	HQ No.1 District.
924 Italian Docks Op Coy	CM/857/1	31 Jul 45	ANCONA	HQ No.1 District.
124 Italian Fa Bakery	IV/334/1	1 Aug 45	-	HQ No.1 District.

2. PERSONNEL.Will be disposed of under arrangements Land Forces Sub Commission
AC (MIL).3. EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT.

(a) All British equipment held in excess of scale set out in Appendix 'B' of AG/400/105 D-O dated 22 Sep 44 will be returned to Ordnance under arrangements supervisory authorities, and any deficiencies will be notified to Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MIL) through Ordnance channels.

(b) Italian equipment will be disposed of under arrangements Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MIL).

(c) Vehicles will be returned in accordance with Q(AE) instruction No.13, and a list of all such vehicles sent to Q(AE) JFHQ, CMF and Q(AE) 4, GHQ, AFM, showing:-

(i) WD Number	(iii) Type
(ii) Make	(iv) To whom returned.

4. POSTAL.

Attention is directed to GRO 683/43.

1996

5. COMPLETION.

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1996

5. COMPLETION.

(a) Supervisory authorities will report to G-1(Br), AFHQ, copy to G-3 (O-2/A) (Personnel) AFHQ, when disbandments are complete, with copy to GHQ 2nd Echelon certifying that casualties have been rendered to them showing all personnel "s.o.s".

(b) Disbandment will be completed by 24 Aug 45.

6. ACK.

Alfred S. L.
Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

...../Distribution.

DISTRIBUTION:-

The Under Secretary of State,
The War Office (S.D.2)

GHQ MEF

HQ B.T.A.

HQ 13 Corps

HQ No.1 District

HQ No.2 District

HQ No.3 District

GHQ 2nd Echelon

GHQ 2nd Echelon (STATS)

HQ Allied Commission

Land Forces Sub Commission

Allied Commission (MMA)

D.Tn, Tn Increment, CMF

GHQ Publications Depot

No.10 Publications Depot

No.8 Command Pay Office

Signalmaster, CASERT.

* Incl copies for units concerned
and distribution as necessary.

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F.A.
D.P.I.C.
A.D.P.S.S.
D.D.A.P.S.
Historical Sec
War Diary 2
M & D

+++SD/922.8(B)1 of 26 Jul 45,
(three letters) refer.

1300

Tel-Baseball 2

Subject:- Boats.

(8)
Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm.,
A.C.(MMIA) 3 District.
Ref. 3DLO/18.

27 July 45.

To:- 11 L of C Signals.

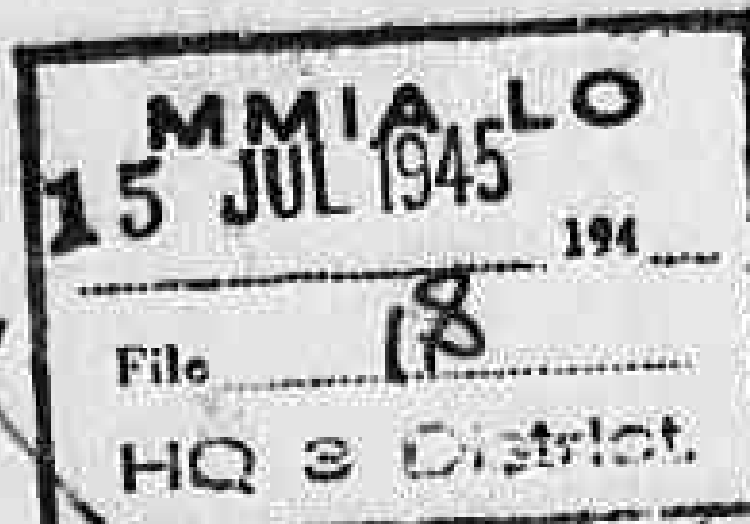
Ref your 11/LC/6/Gen/1 of 13 July, I have asked 227 Div to attend to these indents as quickly as possible.

2. I am now arranging for indents to be dealt with direct through Italian Channels without being screened by me, and I hope this will lead to a speeding up of issues.

W. H. H. H. Maj.
MMI 1995
3 District.

GPH/agn

1334

11/10/6/Gen/1.SUBJECT:- Boots - Italian Line Sections.Liaison Officer,
M.M.I.A.,
H.Q. 3 District.

1. Further to CSO 3 District letter 4061 A 43 of 19. 6. 45, herewith up-to-date schedule of outstanding indents for boots for Italian Line Sections.

Section.	Indent Submitted Date Quantity	Indent met. Date. Quantity.	Outstanding	Due to H.Q. 1 Coy Pool
506 I.L.S.	20.1.45. 50 5.5.45. 150	20.6.45. 20* 7.7.45. 50	30	50
508 I.L.S.	20.4.45. 140) 20.4.45. 20) 6.6.45. 20	6.6.45. 60 6.7.45. 20		
509 I.L.S.	20.4.45. 24) 6.5.45. 20) 20.5.45. 110	6.6.45. 26* 23.6.45. 10	18	34
510 I.L.S.	6.4.45. 115 19.4.45. 15) 5.5.45. 15) 19.5.45. 10 5.6.45. 20 19.6.45. 10 6.7.45. 20	25.4.45. 15 21.6.45. 7* NIL* 21.6.45. 20 * *	23 10 10 20	
511 I.L.S.	3.4.45. 25 19.5.45. 15 19.6.45. 20 5.7.45. 15	2.5.45. 25 21.6.45. 15 *	20 15	
512 I.L.S.	2.5.45. 30 6.6.45. 140 19.6.45. 30	20.6.45. 17* 20.6.45. 40 *	13 30	
Totals	574	325	219	110
			Stock	26

2. It is pointed out that certain of the indents (Marked *) have been dis-allowed or altered without reference to either 173 Italian Signal Coy or the Section concerned.

1994Field,
13. 7. 45.
WM/DWHW.W.M. Capt.
Lieut-Colonel, R. Signals,
Commanding 11 L. of C. Signals.

Copy to:- C.S.O., 3 District.

Subject:- Italian Line Sections

-LO MMIA 3 District —

3 District
Tel Ext 39
4061(A) X86
9 Jul 45

MMIA LO
9 JUL 1945
18
File
HQ 3 District

Capt MAZZOLA - 509 Italian Line Sec

The a/n has failed to return from leave and it is believed that he may have been admitted to hospital in MILAN.

May this be confirmed, please.

2. As this section is working alone on Route 7, the prolonged absence of an officer will throw considerable increased responsibility and duties on the 2 i/c.

May the possibility of a temporary replacement be investigated as an urgent matter, please.

/FJD.

Al Crockett
Colonel,
Chief Signal Officer.

1892
1993

Subject :- Boots - Italian Line SectionsMaj THRUPP,
LO MMIA
3 District.
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3 District
Tel EXT 39
4061 43
19 Jun 45

Ref conversation THRUPP - HUNTE.

Herewith list of outstanding indents :-

<u>Section</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
506 I.L.S.	20.4.45	50	50 due to HQ 1 Coy Pool
	6.6.45	50	
508 I.L.S.	20.4.45	20	20 due to HQ 1 Coy Pool
	20.5.45	30	
509 I.L.S.	20.4.45	22	34 due to HQ 1 Coy Pool
	6.5.45	20	
	20.5.45	10	
510 I.L.S.	19.4.45	15	
	19.5.45	30	
511 I.L.S.	20.5.45	15	
512 I.L.S.	2.5.45	30	3 due to HQ 1 Coy Pool
	6.6.45	40	3 prs unserviceable held at Company HQ.

These are already
in - boots list issued as
NA at time but should
now be met

/HJB

20/6

Chief Signal Officer

W. Crocker
Colonel
1942

0		MESSAGE FORM	
FROM	DISPATCH	2 1713 B	
TO		MMIA LO 3 - MAY 10 1945 FM 18 HQ 9 District.	
SUB AREA		4 18 4/4	
Info			
15 ARMY OF MAIN EIGHTH ARMY SOUTHWEST MOV KAPORE 227 ITALIAN DIV			
COPY TO Q : X : MMIA LO : ITALIAN LO			
SD 671 CONFIDENTIAL (.) 517 Italian line will move forthwith under unit arrangements from NOZERA to FERRARA (.) on arrival comes under command EIGHTH ARMY (.) Rep ahead to EIGHTH ARMY sigs (.) AFHQ EX 65962 of 1 may NOT to all refer			
If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent in CODED		Originators Instructions Degree of Priority Time System Up TIME or TUE Time Cleared	
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MMIA LO
24 APR 1945
File 18
HQ 3 District.

MEDY V LROF NR5334 QVR2/3

FROM MMIA 23 1400R

TO 54- AREA

INFO DISTHREE FOR MMIA LO

DISTHREE

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SD 2622 RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) SIGS ~~SCHOOL~~ SCHOOL F R A N C A V I L L A
AUTHORISED STRENGTH 4 OFFRS 36 OR'S WILL BE CLOSED END
PRESENT COURSE WHEN STUDENTS HELD AGAINST 517 - 518 LINE
SECS CAT 3 BR-ITI SERVICE WILL BE MOVED TO N O C E R A
FOR COMPLETION OF UNITS UNDER ARRANGEMENTS

D I S T H R E E V I D E A A I LETTER 3097/15/A(6) (SER 2135) ---
DATED 5 SEPT 44

BT 23 1400R

SENT AT 1500R BP AR TKS KKK

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MESSAGE FORM			
FROM	DISTANCE	MMIA LO 21 1700 B	
	Action	22 APR 1945 194	
To	Info	File 18	
		HQ 3 District	
94. SUB AREA AFHQ (G3 ORG BRIT) 15 ARMY OF FIFTH ARMY BRIT INCH MOVING 227 ITALIAN DIV copy to Q : Z : MMIA LO : 227 DIV LO TO 439 SHOTTEL (.) 516 ITALIAN line sec will move immediately under unit arrangements from MMIA to LAGRA A SICRA on arrival comes under comd FIFTH ARMY (.) authority AFHQ verbal spoke WATSON - JOHN this date If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent in ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS Degree of Priority IMMEDIATE Time System of THI or TOR Time cleared 1989			

SUBJECT:- 514 Italian Line Sec.

3DLO/18

5 Mar 45

MMIA LO
Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY.

Further to this office letter of even reference dated 16 Feb 45 and to MMIA LO 1 District letter LO/Q4 dated 19 Feb 45.

Herewith copy of a letter received at this office from CSO's branch, 3 District.

May this office please be informed of what action has been taken?

HEIT/rpw

H25
Major,
MMIA LO,
3 District.

1988

Subject:- 514 Italian Line Sec.

MMIA LO 3 District

CSO 1 District

3 District
Tel Ext 39
4061 X132
24 Feb 45

Ref 1 District LO/Q4 of 19 Feb 45.

1. Attached is copy of a certificate from OC 173 Italian Sig Coy that 514 Italian Line Sec moved complete with clothing and equipment and that second-hand boots and uniforms issued were not so badly worn as to require replacement (see para iv).
2. The OC Line Sec required from OC 173 Italian Sig Coy only 1 battle-dress blouse and four pairs of boots as a final demand before movement.
3. The demand by OC 514 Line Sec on 1 District for items enumerated in 1 District letter is not understood, therefore. It would appear that either this officer is thoroughly incompetent or else dishonest.
4. Could this office be informed if the question concerning rations was investigated. My 4061 X122 of 13 Feb 45 refers.

ASC/FJD.

Chief Signal Officer.

1987

TRANSLATION

173 HQ ITALIAN SIG COY

No 763 di prot

PM 3400 13 Feb 45

Subject:- 514 Italian Line Section - Clothing.

To :- CSO 3 District

Reference Lt NICOLAI's questions concerning 514 Line Sec,
I have to inform you :-

- (i) The section, as ordered, moved complete in personnel
- (ii) They carried with them five days' rations
- (iii) The Section moved complete in clothing as the deficiencies had been made up by an issue on the day before the move.
- (iv) It should be pointed out that, in the case of boots and uniforms, which were second-hand material issued some months ago, were already partly worn, but not so badly as to authorise replacement.

The following is the scale of clothing issued to personnel:-

Uniform, dyed, complete	1	Drawers, wool	2
Boots	1	Socks, wool	2
Cap, wool, dyed	1	Shirts, cotton	2
Mackinaw	1	Comforter	1
Undershirts, wool	2	Blankets, wool	2

In many cases, the following items of summer clothing, previously issued, should be added :- Drawers cotton, Undershirts cotton, socks cotton.

In many cases, however, such items (from Italian sources) as, for instance, ground sheets, towels and handkerchieves, were deficient.

(Sgd) ARDUINO DE MARTIN,

Lt-Col., Comdg.

1986

COPY

173 COMANDO ITALIANO COLLEGAMENTI

No 763 di prot

P.M. 3400 15 Febbraio 45

OGGETTO :- Vestiario distribuito alla 514 Sezione.

Al Comando 11 L of C Signals - III Distretto,
NAPOLI.

Riferimento quanto comunicato dal Tenente NICOLAI nei riguardi delle 514 Sezione comunico :-

- (a) La Sezione, come ordinato, e partita al completo di personale
- (b) ha portato al seguito No 5 giornate di viveri
- (c) era al completo del corredo, in quanto le deficienze riscontrate negli ultimi giorni erano state ripianate con prelevamento urgente ottenuto ed effettuato alla vigilia della partenza
- (d) l'unica riserva da farsi e circa lo stato d'uso delle scarpe e tenuta verde-oliva, trattandosi di materiale non nuovo e in parte distribuito già da qualche mese, senza però che avesse raggiunto i limiti di usura che ne autorizzassero la sostituzione.

La composizione del corredo dei militari in oggetto e la seguente:-

No 1 tenuta panno completa	No 2 mutande lana
" 1 paio scarpe (usate)	" 2 calze lana
" 1 bustina panno	" 2 camicia cotone
" 1 giubbone panno	" 1 coperta imbottita
" 2 maglie lana	" 2 coperte da campo

A questo aggiuncasi per molti, oggetti di equipaggiamento estivo come mutande di tela, canottiere cotone, calze cotone, già avute in precedenza e non ritirate.

Deficitarie per molti gli oggetti di provenienza italiana quali telo tenda, asciugatoi, fazzoletti.

(P.to) Arduino DE Martin)

Il Ten Col Comandante.

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