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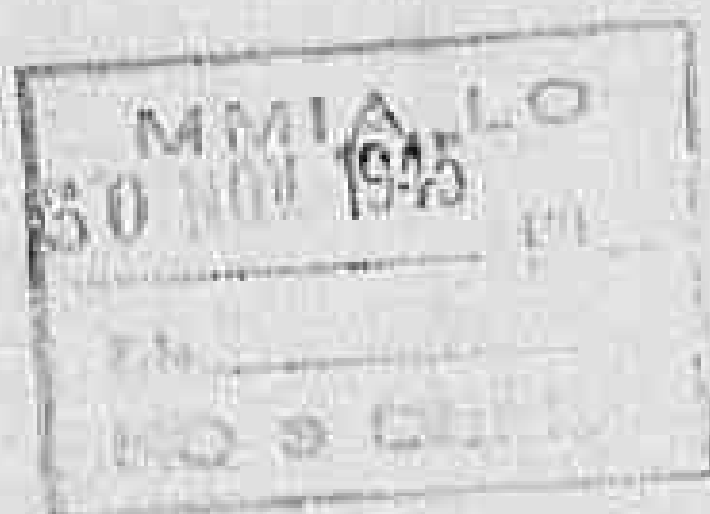
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MMIA LO

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DESIGNATION

61 AREA

MINIA LO
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HQ 3 CORPS

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Copy to: MINIA LO

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of 31 Oct (.) confirm rep of 712 regt has reported

W. Daniel my

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REPORT: ITALIAN Army Movement

3 District
Ext O,
750/G

22 Nov 45

52 Area
54 Area
56 Area
64 Area
211 Sub Area

MMIA LO
22 NOV 1945
File 60.
HQ 3 District

A AREA TO
Q TOL
ST FILE 600/G
Ord

folio 7A
folio 7

Ref this HQ letter 750/G dated 15 Nov forwarding copy of AFHQ
letter AG 370.5 M and IN-O dated 10 Nov.

Att copy of AFHQ letter of same ref dated 17 Nov is forwarded
for info.

W. H. ...
(LIEUT. L. CAZENOVE) Capt.
for Lt Col.,
G.S.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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 :Auth: SAC, MT :
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 :Date: 17 Nov 1945 :
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AG 370.5 M&TN-O

17 November 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army Movement.

TO: All Concerned.



folio 17A is amended

Paragraph 2, letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 10 November 1945, is amended as follows:

"2. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, units of the Italian Army now held in the ITI-ITI Category, together with the five BR-ITI combat groups and their support units and 10,000 Carabinieri now held in BR-ITI Category, will be transferred to the control of the Italian Government, except as stated in paragraph 5 of the letter cited in paragraph 1, above."

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

M. Frances Aman
 M. FRANCES AMAN
 1st Lt, AGD
 Asst Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:

5 - MMIA (ALCOM)	1 - CG, MTOUSA	1 - S&T
5 - GOC, XIII Corps	1 - G-1 (A)	1 - Postal, GHQ
5 - GOC, Number 2 District	1 - Fiscal Director	CMF
5 - GOC, Number 3 District	1 - G-3, MTOUSA	1 - Labour
5 - CG, Peninsular Base Section	2 - G-4 (A)	1 - Claims &
5 - CG, Rome Area Allied Command	1 - TPN (A)	Hirings
5 - British Ministry of Supply	1 - CGS, GHQ CMF	1 - Q (AF)
5 - OFLC	1 - Dep Mil Sec	1 - Ord, GHQ CMF
5 - C-in-C Mediterranean	1 - Liaison, GHQ CMF	1 - REMF
5 - Air HQ RAF, Italy	1 - Financial Adviser	1 - Q (Mov)
1 - SACS	1 - "A" (Br)	2 - TPN, GHQ CMF
1 - CAO	1 - GHQ 2d Echelon	1 - Civil Affairs,
1 - G-2	1 - Medical, GHQ CMF	GHQ CMF
1 - Signals	1 - Pay, GHQ CMF	60 - M&TN, AFHQ
1 - PWB	1 - GS(I), GHQ CMF	2 - AG Records
1 - G-3, AFHQ	10 - G(3D), GHQ CMF	1 - AG M&D
1 - Pet Sec	1 - RE, GHQ CMF	
1 - G-5	1 - Signals, GHQ CMF	
1 - USPOLAD	1 - Log Plans	
1 - BR RES MIN	1 - Q (Maint)	

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SUBJECT:- British Division Units attached
to Italian Army.

3 District
Lt Col
751/G

19 Nov 45

22 Arty
24 Arty
26 Arty
61 Arty
211 Arty
211 Sub Arty

MEMO LO
20 NOV 1945
60.
HQ 3 DISTRICT

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IA LO
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Further to this R. letter 751/G dated 9 Nov 45.

1. BLUs will be established with Italian Territorial Hqs as shown below:-

BLU	Italian Territorial Hqs	Remarks
7 BLU (Ty - B)	MOBILE Comd	
8 BLU (" B)	ROME " "	
9 BLU (" B)	BARI " "	
10 BLU (" B)	LA SPEZIA " "	
11 BLU (" B)	SICILY " "	Formerly 56 BLU
	(S.L. 10)	

Correct ?

2. A full directive on the duties and functions of BLUs will be issued by HQ IA in the near future.

[Signature]

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for Lt Col
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SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Italian.

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1. 54 Area
2. 56 Area
3. 61 Area
4. 211 Sub Area

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Land Forces Sub Commission
LC (HIA)

MMIA LO
19 NOV 1945
File
HQ 3 3 3 3 3

3 District
Baseball 21
104/211

17 Nov 45

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227 Italian Admin Div HQ
711, 712, 713, 714, 716 Italian
Admin Regt HQ

Reference the attached copies of GFM CTF 1116/45 (Ser. 3641) dated 8 Nov 45.

1. Formation of the above named units on WE's as shown in above quoted letter, wef 15 Oct 45, will be supervised as under:-

1. 54 Area	-	711 It. Adm. Regt. HQ	-	as per 713 It. Admin Regt.
2. 56 Area	-	227 It. Adm. Div. HQ	-	-
3. 61 Area	-	713 It. Adm. Regt. HQ	-	-
4. 211 Sub Area	-	714 " " " " " "	-	-
	-	712 " " " " " "	-	-
	-	716 " " " " " "	-	-

Responsible
Personnel

- Units will be instructed to contact ADOS and produce a copy of the GFM CTF letter attached. Indents for Ordnance stores, and equipment will be submitted by the unit under instructions of ADOS in accordance with scales quoted in para 3 of the above quoted GFM CTF letter.
- Field Strength Returns should be rendered as soon as possible.
- Reports called for at para 4 of GFM CTF letter under reference will be forwarded in quadruplicate to this HQ.

Copy of the above quoted WE when available.

227 Italian Admin Div HQ
711, 712, 713, 714, 716 Italian
Admin Regt HQ

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121	54 Area	-	711	It.	Adm.	Rgt.	HQ	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
121	56 Area	-	227	It.	Adm.	Div.	HQ	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
			715	It.	Adm.	Rgt.	HQ	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
			714	"	"	"	"	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
			712	"	"	"	"	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
121	61 Area	-	716	"	"	"	"	-	on 712 Dec. 1941
121	211 Sub Area	-						-	on 712 Dec. 1941

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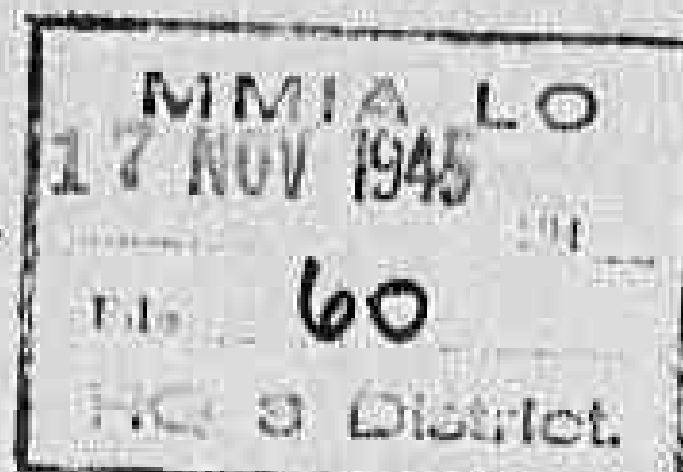
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5. C(SD). Please supply copies of the above quoted VE when available. 4128

115. 9th Adam Reys Rorté.

~~Dr. Col~~
D. & QMG



SUBJECT: Conversion and Formation of Part II(A) Units.

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

SD/35/2

Nov 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

Para 13.
HQ ITALIAN ADM DIVS AND ITALIAN ADM REGTS.

Ref this HQ letter SD/35/2 dated 3 Nov 45, para 4.

Authority is GHQ., CME letter 1116/A-1 (Ser 36/41) dated 8 Nov 45.

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EJMS/jw

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Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: HQ 13 Corps
HQ No. 2 District
HQ No. 3 District
All MMIA LO's and BLU's

Internal: NORMAL

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SD/1/4

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SUBJECT: Italian Adm HQs for ER-III tps.
Proposed Reorganization w.e.f. 1 Dec 45.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C. (MIL.)

SD/35/2

1 Nov 45

MMIA LO
16 NOV 1945
File
HQ 3 District

TO : 2 District
3 District

INFO : 13 Comps
GHQ, CEF (Two)
All MMIA LO's and BLU's

Reference ALHQ letter AG 091.711/051 GCTO of 4 Sept; this HQ letter SD/35/2 of 3 Nov; and GHQ CEF letter 1416/41 (Ser 3641) of 3 Nov.

1. It is felt that the number of ER-III tps and units has now been reduced sufficiently to justify the further reorg w.e.f. 1 Dec of ER-III Adm HQs proposed at Appendix 'A'.
2. This reorganization is based on an average of 2,000 - 3,000 ER-III tps for each Adm Regt HQ.
3. Each Adm Regt will continue under operational command of the appropriate British HQ but for adm will be attached to the local Italian Territorial Command HQ.
4. In each case a BLU will be available for advice and assistance as shown in Appendix 'A' except in the case of Ancona.
5. Ancona falls in 3 District area on the Allied side; but in Bologna Command (No.6) on the Italian side. It is also distant from the nearest Italian Territorial Command HQ. It is proposed therefore to retain 712 Adm Regt to be responsible to 61 Area for ER-III in that area; and to affiliate it to Bologna Command (for which 6 BLU is responsible) for adm.
6. A further reduction will be proposed according to progress in disbandment of ER-III units, probably in January.

MMIA LO 18
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TO : 2 District
3 District

File
HQ 3 District.

INFO : 13 Corps
GHQ, CEF (Two)
All Italia LO's and BLU's

Reference ACHQ letter AG 091.711/051 GCHQ of 4 Sept; this HQ letter SD/35/2 of 3 Nov; and GHQ CEF letter 1116/1-1 (Ser 1641) of 3 Nov.

1. It is felt that the number of BR-III tps and units has now been reduced sufficiently to justify the further reorg w.e.f. 1 Dec of BR-III Adm HQs proposed at Appendix 'A'.

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INTERNAL: C o S

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C (Four)

For Diary (Two)
Ministry of War

Major General
M. M. I. 4124

PRESENT POSITION				THE PROPOSAL						
Ser- ial No.	Present Unit	Location	W.E.	Present WE Strengths		Action	Proposed WE Strengths		Proposed Units	Area of responsibility by Italian Ter Command
				Offrs	ORs		Offrs	ORs		
1	718 Adm Regt	MIRA	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	718 Adm Regt	5 Udine Cnd (in 13 Corps area)
2	231 Adm Div	MILAN	CM/888/1	35	115	Convert to CM/886/1	7	27	713 Adm Regt	1 Turin Cnd 2 Genoa Cnd 3 Milan Cnd
3	717 Adm Regt	PADUA	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	717 Adm Regt	4 Bolzano Cnd 6 Bologna Cnd (in 2 Dist area)
4	227 Adm Div	NAPLES	CM/888/1	35	115	Disband	-	-	-	-
5	711 Adm Regt	BARI	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	711 Adm Regt	9 Bari Cnd
6	712 Adm Regt	ANCONA	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	712 Adm Regt	6 Bologna Cnd (in 3 Dist area)
7	713 Adm Regt	SALERNO	CM/886/1	7	27	Disband	-	-	-	-
8	714 Adm Regt	NAPLES	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	714 Adm Regt	10 Naples Cnd
9	715 Adm Regt	ROME	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	715 Adm Regt	8 Rome Cnd
10	716 Adm Regt	FLORENCE	CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	716 Adm Regt	7 Florence Cnd
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				70	230					

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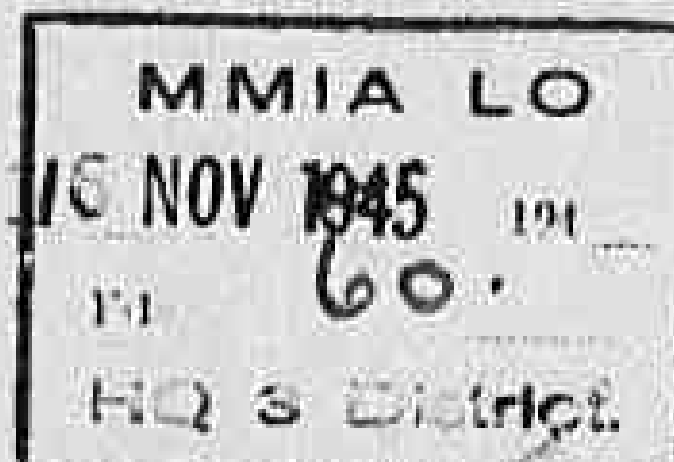
W.E.			Present WE Strengths		Action	Proposed WE Strengths		Proposed Units	Area of responsibility by Italian Terr Command	Allied HQ	Italian Terr. Command HQ. (for Adm)	MSTA BLU
Offrs	ORs	Offrs	ORs									
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	718 Adm Regt	5 Udine Cnd (in 13 Corps area)	13 Corps	5 Udine Cnd	5 BLU Udine Type A		
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CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	717 Adm Regt	4 Bolzano Cnd 6 Bologna Cnd (in 2 Dist area)	217 Area	6 Bologna Cnd	6 BLU Bologna Type A		
CM/888/1	35	115	Disband	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	711 Adm Regt	9 Bari Cnd	54 Area	9 Bari Cnd	9 BLU Bari Type B		
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	712 Adm Regt	6 Bologna Cnd (in 3 Dist area)	61 Area	6 Bologna Cnd	6 BLU Bologna Type B		
CM/886/1	7	27	Disband	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	714 Adm Regt	10 Naples Cnd	3 Dist.	10 Naples Cnd	10 BLU Naples Type A		
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	715 Adm Regt	8 Rome Cnd	R.A.A.C.	8 Rome Cnd	M.M.T.A.		
CM/886/1	7	27	Retain	7	27	716 Adm Regt	7 Florence Cnd	211 Sub-Area	7 Florence Cnd	7 BLU Florence Type B		
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SUBJECT: ITALIAN Army Movement.

3 District
Ext 5
750/G

15 Nov 45

52 Area
54 Area
55 Area
61 Area
211 Sub Area



A MMIA LO
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Ord

see file 12

file 12
Ref this HQ letter 750/G dated 8 Nov 45, forwarding copy of AFHQ letter AG 091.711 G(SD) -O dated 2 Nov 45.

Att copy of AFHQ letter AG 370.5 M and TN-O dated 10 Nov 45 is forwarded for info.

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1st Lt Daniel
(HC DANIEL) Major
for Lt col
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 370.5 M&TN-0

SUBJECT: Italian Army Movement

TO: All Concerned.

MMIA LO
16 Nov 45
File 60.
HQ & District

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: Auth: SAC, MT :
: Initials: *DK* :
: Date: 10 Nov 1945 :
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10 November 1945

see folio 22A for comment.
folio 12A
22/11
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1. Reference is made to letter, this headquarters, file AG 091.711 G(SD)-0, dated 2 November 1945, subject: "Handover of Italian Army to Italian Government".
2. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, units of the Italian Army now held in the ITI-ITI Category, together with the five BR-ITI combat groups and their support units and 10,000 Carabinieri now held in BR-ITI Category, will be transferred to the control of the Italian Government, *except as stated in para 5 of the letter cited in para 1 above.*
3. The Italian Government will also assume responsibility for the administration of the Italian Army and of the Carabinieri on that date.
4. From 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, the Italian Government will be responsible for arranging the movement of Italian Army units, personnel and stores except as detailed in paragraph 6. It will place bids for movement on the Allied military authorities only when transportation facilities are directly controlled by those authorities.
5. As regards rail movement, the Italian Government will make arrangements directly with the Italian State Railways for the movement of units, personnel and stores, informing the Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA) and Transportation Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, ITALY as required. Such movement will be subject to the provisions of letter, this headquarters, file AG 531 UPN-0, dated 17 October 1945, subject: "Operation and Control of Italian Railways" - eg, the Italian State Railways will at all times give first priority to the movement of Allied military traffic.
6. The Allied military authorities will continue as at present to arrange the movement of personnel and units which remain in the US-ITI or BR-ITI Category and their reinforcements, and of units which are under operational command of Allied Force Headquarters. They will also be responsible for movement of stores which are supplied through US or British service channels.
7. Movements Liaison Officer, MMIA will be withdrawn on 15 November 1945. Henceforward, MMIA will deal directly with Allied Force Headquarters on movement matters affecting the Allied military authorities.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

C. W. Christenberry 4121
C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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REF, AFHQ, AG 370.5 M&TN-O,
dtd 10 November 45 (Cont'd)

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- 5 - CG, Rome Area Allied Command
- 5 - British Ministry of Supply
- 5 - OFLC
- 5 - C-in-C Mediterranean
- 5 - Air HQ RAF, Italy
- 1 - SACS
- 1 - CAO
- 1 - G-2
- 1 - Signals
- 1 - PWB
- 1 - G-3, AFHQ
- 1 - Pot Sec
- 1 - G-5
- 1 - USPOLAD
- 1 - BR RES MIN
- 1 - CG, MTOUSA
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- 1 - Pay, GHQ CMF
- 1 - GS(I), GHQ CMF
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- 1 - RE, GHQ CMF
- 1 - Signals, GHQ CMF
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- 1 - AG M&D

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Re-org. of Italian Army-Transfer
of Units to the Interim Army.

MMIA LO
13 NOV 1945
File 60.
HQ 3 District

Land Forces Sub-Comm, A.C. (MIL)

SD/92/3

Nov 45

To : Ministry of War

Reference Land Forces Sub Comm. Directive No 1 dated 8 Nov 45.

1. In order to give effect to the creation of the Interim Italian wef. 15 Nov it is proposed to build up the ORBAT of the Interim Italian Army in two phases.

Phase I. Transfer to ITI-ITI category of those US-ITI, BR-ITI and existing ITI-ITI units which will come under Italian Op. Command wef. 15 Nov 45.

Phase II. Construction of the final Interim Army. This phase to be completed as soon as possible after 15 Nov 45.

2. Phase I

(a) Given in Appendix 'A' are the categories of units which will compose the ITI-ITI category of the Italian Army, wef. 15 Nov 45. This category will be completely under Italian Op. Command.

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(c) In order to provide a clear statement of the Italian Army as at 15 Nov, when the transfer of the units shown in App. 'A' takes place, the ORBAT (2/15) due to be produced as at 8 Nov will be produced as at 15 Nov. Layout of ceilings and categories will be as in App. 'C' attached. All disbandments and formations which take place between the date of ORBAT 2/14 and 15 Nov will be taken into account when compiling the November ORBAT.

(d) Until 15 Nov 45 no alteration will be made in the present system of authorising formations or disbandments of units. This HQ will also continue to control the ITI-ITI ceiling until 15 Nov 45.

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3. Phase II

(a) As soon as final decisions are taken on the composition of the Italian Interim Army a new ORBAT should be produced by your Ministry.

(b) In the meantime a skeleton ORBAT can be prepared for discussion with G(SD) branch of this HQ. An approx. breakdown of ceiling for this is attached at App 'D'. **4420**

(c) US-ITI and ER-ITI units will be shown in this ORBAT but will still remain under the Op. control of the US and ER authorities.

4. War Establishments

(a) It is considered that, in order to ensure the most economical use of manpower, a War Establishments Committee should be instituted forthwith by the Ministry of War.

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(c) This committee would have the duty of approving new War Establishments or amendments to existing war establishments of the Interim Army. In this way streamlining of units, the correct allocation of staffs and specialists to units and control of manpower, will be achieved.

(d) The committee should be constituted with at least one member from the Italian equivalent of the British and American staff branches, i.e. G(G3) A(G4) and Q(G4).

(e) If you so desire a member of this Mission would attend all meetings, with due notice beforehand, so that he can advise, if called upon to do so, on matters of procedure and staff policy.

(f) It is suggested that any proposals for major re-organisation of formations and units should be discussed with the appropriate branches of this HQ before being submitted to the committee.

(g) The committee should issue minutes and war establishments on a wide distribution in the same way as is already done for ER-III units by this HQ.

(h) Will you please therefore consider this matter so that details may be discussed with G (SD) branch this HQ not later than 12 Nov 45.

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51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
56 BLU
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" " c/o 86 AREA
" " N.W. ITALY MILAN
" " c/o SIGNAL OFFICE GENOVA
" " TURIN c/o 7 AGRA
" " N.W. ITALY MILAN (att Capt FOX)
" " BOLZANO c/o 60 SUB AREA
" " SICILY
" " NAPLES
" " c/o 247 AREA
" " FENEBESE
" " c/o FLORENCE CITY COMD
" " c/o 3 DISTRICT
" " c/o 54 AREA

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

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Serial (a)	Type of Unit (b)	Ref to ORBAT 2/14 (c)	WE Strength of Unit			
			offrs (d)	ORs (e)	Total (f)	
1.	Five Combat Gps. (Inf Divs) (1,26 offrs & 8483 ORs each)	pages 15 - 20 incl	2130	43415	44545	Less non- comd of Gp
2.	L of C Units for Italian Combat Force (Inf Divs)	see App. 'B' att.	184	1999	2183	Includes and 319
3.	JETC (Permanent staff only)	pages 26 & 27	402	2904	3306	319
4.	Rft ceiling & AFHQ reserve	page 32	-	12500	12500	Rfts under this ceiling
5.	802 Italian Reorg Centre (ORVINO)(Perm. staff only)	page 23	77	293	370	Disbanding count again
6.	807 Italian Transit Camp (RAVISCANINA)(perm staff only)	page 12	3	102	103	
7.	502, 526, 527 Gd Bns (28 offrs & 772 ORs each)	page 12	84	2316	2400	
8.	266, 267, 268 Pack Lpt Coys (10 offrs & 485 ORs each)	page 13	30	1455	1485	
9.	Complete ITI-ITI Category (incl Military & Terr CERR)	pages 33 - 71	9147	114853	124000	This figure ceiling in
10.	Florence Bde CERR	pages 30 - 31	234	766	10000	
TOTAL			12294	17603	200897	

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Appendix 'A' to SE/973
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Ref to ORBAT 2/14		WE Strength of Unit			Remarks
(c)		offrs (d)	ORs (e)	Total (f)	(g)
(Inf Divs)	pages	2130	4345	44545	Less non-div units. Non-div units shown under comd of Gps in ORBAT 2/14 are incl in ser. 2 below
33 ORs each)	15 - 20 incl				
Italian	see App. 'B'	184	1999	2183	Includes L of C units under comd Groups (Divs) and 319 P1 Bakery under comd RTC ICF
(Inf Divs)	att.				
staff only)	pages 26 & 27	402	904	3306	319 P1 Bakery u c RTC ICF incl in ser. 2 above.
HQ reserve	page 32	-	12500	12500	Rfts under trg at CESANO to count against this ceiling.
rg Centre					Disbanding units in Centre not incl. as these count against rfts in LR-FPI ceiling.
staff only)	page 23	71	293	370	
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Category					This figure includes unallotted ceiling in this category.
Perr (CRR)	pages 33 - 71	9147	104053	124000	
RR	pages 30 - 31	234	9766	10000	
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Appx 'B' to SD/92/3
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L of C ITALIAN INF DIV UNITS

<u>TE</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>WE Str</u> <u>Offrs</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Location</u>
ENGRS					
CM/596/1	1 Rd Pk Coy	5	129	134	FOLGORE
CM/596/1	2 Rd Pk Coy	5	129	134	CREMONA
CM/596/1	3 Rd Pk Coy	5	129	134	LEGNANO
S & T					
CM/597/1	1 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	LEGNANO
CM/597/1	2 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	FOLGORE
CM/597/1	316 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	FRIULI
CM/597/1	317 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	CREMONA
CM/597/1	318 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	MANTOVA
CM/597/1	319 Rd Bakery	1	32	33	RAJO
CM/531, 532, 533, 539/1	3 G. T. Coy (Combat)	9	348	357	MANTOVA
CM/532/1, VI/19/1	1 Motor Amb Coy.	7	274	281	CREMONA
SIGS					
CM/829/1	181 Tech Maint Sec	1	30	31	FRIULI
CM/829/1	183 Tech Maint Sec	1	30	31	LEGNANO
IED					
CM/574/1	331 Evac Hosp	19	71	90	13 CORPS
CM/574/1	429 Evac Hosp	19	71	90	13 CORPS
CM/574/1	470 Evac Hosp.	19	71	90	2 DIST
CM/574/1	519 Evac Hosp	19	71	90	2 DIST
CM/574/1	520 Evac Hosp	19	71	90	MANTOVA
CM/574/1	522 Evac Hosp	19	71	90	2 DIST
CM/575/1	34 Rd Surg Unit	3	23	26	LEGNANO
CM/575/1	130 Rd Surg Unit	3	23	26	FRIULI
CM/575/1	131 Rd Surg Unit	3	23	26	FOLGORE
CM/575/1	216 Rd Surg Unit	3	23	26	MANTOVA
CM/576/1	29 Mob X-Ray Unit	1	6	7	FRIULI
CM/576/1	133 Mob X-Ray Unit	1	6	7	2 DIST
CM/577/1	113 Mob Dental Unit	1	3	4	FRIULI
CM/577/1	114 Mob Dental Unit	1	3	4	FOLGORE
CM/689/1	26 Mob Bath Unit	-	14	14	FRIULI
CM/689/1	54 Mob Bath Unit	-	14	14	CREMONA
CM/689/1	51 Mob Bath Unit	-	14	14	LEGNANO
CM/689/1	184 Mob Bath Unit	-	14	14	FOLGORE

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BREAKDOWN OF CEILINGS FOR ORBAT 2/45 AS AT 15 NOV ON
HAND-OVER OF III-ITI CATEGORY TO ITALIAN CP COMMAND.

<u>Part I</u>	-	<u>US - ITI</u>		
	(a)	P B S	52000	
	(b)	USAAF/MTO	5500	
	(c)	Franco	5000	
	(d)	Replacements	4000	
	(e)	Unallotted	17000	
			<u>83500</u>	
<u>Part II</u>	-	<u>BR - ITI</u>		
	(a)	BR-ITI Service Units	20000	
	(b)	Unallotted incl rfts	87000	
			<u>107000</u>	
<u>Part III</u>	-	<u>ITI-ITI ITALIAN CP COMMAND</u>		
	(a)	Five Combat Groups (Inf Divs)	44545	
	(b)	L of C units for ICF (Inf Divs)	2103	
	(c)	RMC ICF Staff & Rfts.	15806	
	(d)	802 Reorg. Centre & 807 Transit Camp	478	
	(e)	Three Guard Bns.	2400	
	(f)	Three Peck Tot Coys	1485	
	(g)	Italian Adm Units (late III-ITI category less ORCA)	69000	
	(h)	CCTR incl Flammage Bde.	65000	
	(j)	Unallotted	4103	
			<u>205000</u>	
		Total	205000	
			<u>395500</u>	

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APPROX CEILINGS FOR ORBAT TO BE ISSUED
ON ORGANISATION OF INTERIM ARMY

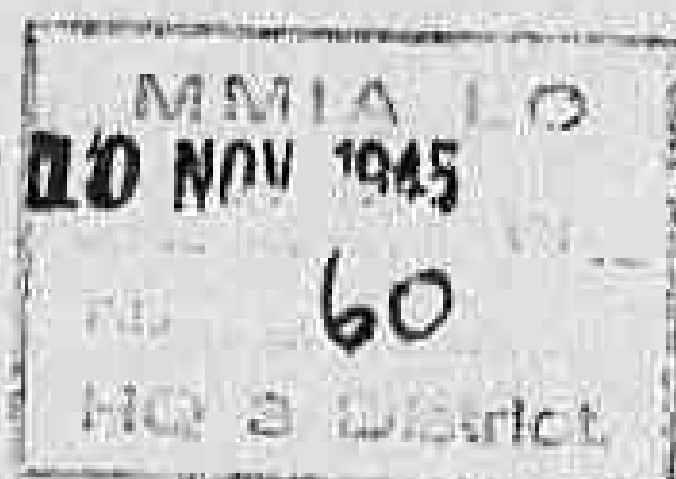
Part I	US-III	Ceiling dependent on T/O strengths of authorised units at date of ORBAT - likely to be approx 5000 at 1 Dec.
Part II	BR-III	Ceiling dependent on VE strength of authorised units at date of ORBAT - likely to be approx 10000 - 20000 at 1 Dec.
Part III	INTERIM ITALIAN ARMY	Ceiling 140,000. Final breakdown to be detailed later. See para 7 of Land Forces S/C Directive No 1 dated 8 Nov 45.
Part IV	CCRR (a) Territorial CCRR (incl Florence Bde) (b) Military CCRR	Ceiling 65000

SUBJECT:- British Liaison Units Attached
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9 Nov 45

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Consequent upon the handover of the Italian Army to Italian Government Control ver 1424001 Nov 45, ILUs with the Italian Army will be re-organised and will be redeployed to Territorial Regions under orders to be issued by MMIA.

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for (HC DANIEL) Major
for Lt Col
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8 Nov 45

DIRECTIVE No. 1

HANDOVER OF THE ITALIAN ARMY TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

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HANDOVER OF ITALIAN ARMY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

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5. Reservations.

(a) The Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater reserves the right to assume command at any time of the units or any part of the Italian Army located in the theatre, and to delegate his authority to command formations and units of the Italian Army to any Allied commander whom he may direct.

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(b) The Italian Government will furnish to the Supreme Allied Commander such information regarding the strength, organization, training, movements, administration, real estate, stocks of material and equipment, and other matters concerning the Italian Army as may be required from time to time.

(c) Italian troops in territory not handed back to the Italian Government, and 808 CS Battalion although included in the ceiling set out in paragraph 7 below, will remain under operational command of Allied Force Headquarters for the time being.

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(a) An Allied Military Mission will be provided to advise and assist the Italian Government in the organization, training and administration of the Italian Army and Carabinieri and to obtain and transmit to superior authority such information as is required. The Italian Government will normally accept the advice of this Mission. If it should find itself unable to do so, the matter will be referred to Allied Force Headquarters by the Allied Military Mission. The Mission will also be responsible for screening those demands for supplies and equipment which continue to be met from Allied military sources, and will exercise supervisory control over the use of such materials.

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Total..... 50,000

(c) Command.

Ministry of War and Territorial Region Headquarters

Total..... 9,000

(d) Administration.

Total..... 51,000

(e) Training and Reinforcements.

Total.....	10,000
	<u>140,000</u>

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8. No alteration to the general layout above will be made by the Italian Government without the consent of Allied Force Headquarters. Detailed requirements within the above framework will, however, be worked out as a matter of urgency by the Italian Government, as advised by the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MILA) and reported to Allied Force Headquarters.

9. Training. The training of the Italian Army will be the responsibility of the Italian Government as advised by the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MILA).

10. Administration.

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(b) Italian Navy and Italian Air Force personnel will continue to be administered and maintained as at present, through Italian service channels.

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- (1) The British portion of the ration only will be issued to such units through British service channels.
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(b) Procurement in respect of food, clothing, medical stores, warlike and non-warlike equipment will be effected from the following sources and in the following priorities subject to any subsequent instructions which may be issued regarding the standardisation of equipment of the Italian Army and of the Carabinieri.

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- (2) By purchases from appropriate US and UK surplus disposal agencies in ITALY of stocks which are available to those disposal agencies.
- (3) Through the Italian Government import programme.

(c) As the procurement procedure outlined in paragraph 11(b) above will take time before it becomes fully operative, particularly in respect of requirements included in the Italian Government import programme, the following procedure will apply to those requirements which cannot be met from the sources set out in paragraph 11(b) above:

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- (1) Such requirements may be loaned from US and British military stocks as a temporary expedient up to 1 January 1946. In addition, certain food may be sold or loaned to the Italian Government in accordance with paragraph 13(c) below.
- (2) Thereafter, these items will be returnable to the US and British on demand or they may be transferred to the Italian Government through US and British disposals organisations in accordance with established procedure.

(d) With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, the Italian Government will continue to be responsible for meeting the POL and coal requirements of the Italian Army and Carabinieri from civil stocks and by means of the Italian Government import programme.

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13. Food Supply.

- (a) Subsistence will continue to be furnished by the US and British Army based on actual strengths of the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7, above, and of the Carabinieri until 30 November 1945. US responsibility will not exceed 124,000 and British responsibility will not exceed 81,000.
- (b) Subsistence for the Italian Army, including the Carabinieri, will be the responsibility of the Italian Government with effect from 1 December 1945. Its sources for provisioning are as set out in paragraph 11, above.
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14. Clothing and Individual/Personal Equipment.

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(a) All previous directives pertaining to transfer of clothing, individual/personal equipment and salvage to the Italian Army through IMIL are rescinded.

(b) Purchase of any surpluses of non-warlike stores is as authorised in paragraph 11(b)(2) above.

15. Medical Stores. Medical Stores of Allied origin which are held in Italian depots or by Italian units at the date of this letter will remain in Italian possession.

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o 16. Accounting.

(a) Financial arrangements consequent upon the above policy regarding supply remain to be settled. In the meantime, records will be maintained of all transfers made to the Italian Government from military stocks and accounting procedures in sub-paragraphs (b) and (c) below will apply.

(b) Accounting for Allied military supplies issued to the Italian Government in bulk for the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7 above, and for the Carabinieri, Italian Navy and Air Force will follow present established procedures for the ITI-ITI category.

(c) Accounting for Allied military supplies issued from British and US depots direct to BR-ITI and US-ITI units will follow established procedures of the British and US Forces. Issues from US military stocks, other than disposals through AMLO, will be through MTA (US Contingent) who will maintain adequate records.

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To : MINISTRY OF WAR

HQs Italian Adm Divs & Italian Adm Regts

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PERSONNEL

2. Will be posted under your arrangements.

EQUIPMENT

3. Will be provided to basic scale 6500/7.

AUTHORITY

4. Formal CMA, C.M.E. authority follows.

(1116/A-1 Ser 3644 of 8 Nov.)

B. L. L.

Major General,
M. M. L. L.

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HQ No. 2 DISTRICT
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ALL MMIA LOs

To : MINISTRY OF WAR

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AUTHORITY

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(1116/A-1 Sen 3641 of 8 Nov.)

B. L. L.
Major General,
M. M. I. L.

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UNITS TO BE CONVERTED					UNITS TO BE FORMED		
OLD DESIGNATION	WE	WE STRENGTH Officers ORG		LOCATION	NEW DESIGNATION	WE	WE STRENGTH Officers
227 It. Adm Div HQ	Agreed WE	30	110	CAVA DEI TIRRENI	227 It. Adm Div HQ	CM/888/1	35
					711 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
					712 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
					713 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
					714 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
					715 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
230 It. Adm Div HQ	Agreed WE	30	110	FLORENCE	716 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
231 It. Adm Div HQ	" "	35	137	MILAN	231 It. Adm Div HQ	CM/888/1	35
209 It. Adm Div HQ	" "	35	137	PADUA	717 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
228 It. Adm Div HQ	" "	35	137	MIRA	718 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7
TOTAL		-	-	165	631	TOTAL - - 126	

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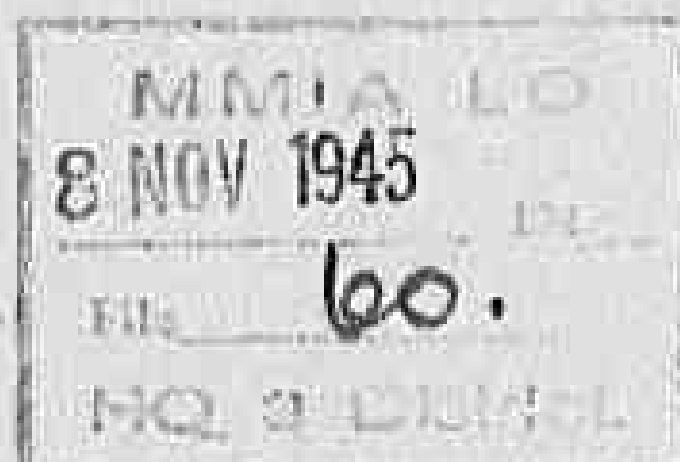
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CONVERTED			UNITS TO BE FORMED						
WE STRENGTH		LOCATION	UNIT DESIGNATION	W/E	WE STRENGTH		LOCATION	DELEGATORY AUTHORITY	REMARKS
Offrs	ORs				Offrs	ORs			
30	110	CAVA DEI TIRRENI	227 It. Adm Div HQ	CM/888/1	35	115	NAPLES/BARI	HQ 3 Dist	REORGANIZATION
			711 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7	27	BARI	HQ 3 Dist	NEW UNIT
			712 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7	27	ANCONA	HQ 3 Dist	NEW UNIT
			713 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7	27	SALERNO	HQ 3 Dist	NEW UNIT
			714 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7	27	NAPLES	HQ 3 Dist	NEW UNIT
			715 It. Adm Regt HQ	CM/886/1	7	27	ROME	HQ 3 Dist	NEW UNIT
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165	631		TOTAL - -		126	116			

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SUBJECT: Handover of Italian Army to Italian Government.

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for Lt Col
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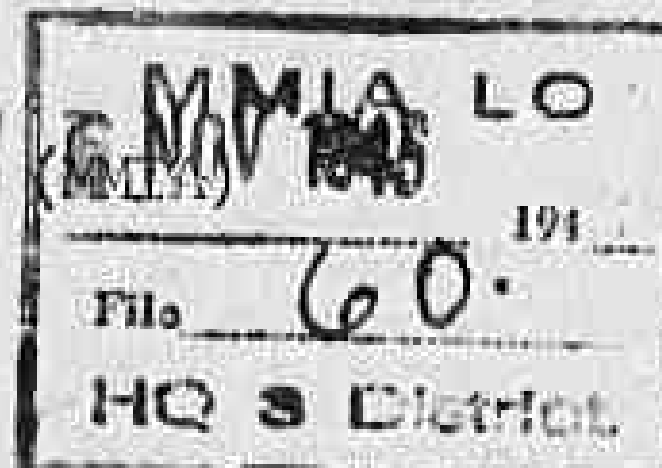
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AG 091.711 G(SD)-0

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2 November 1945

SUBJECT: Handover of Italian Army to Italian Government.

TO: Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
APO 394
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission



I. GENERAL.

1. Approval has now been given by the Combined Chiefs of Staff to the interim policy to be adopted towards the Italian Armed Forces pending a final settlement by peace treaty. You will therefore inform the Italian Government that the following arrangements will be made for the handover of the Italian Army to their control and for its future organization, training and administration.

II. HANDOVER OF ITALIAN ARMY TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

2. Transfer of Units. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, units of the Italian Army that are now in the ITI-ITI category together with the five BR-ITI combat groups and their support units and 10,000 Carabinieri now held in BR-ITI category will be transferred to the control of the Italian Government. Allied commanders will have no powers of command over such units except as stated in paragraph 5, below.

3. Future of US-ITI and BR-ITI Units.

a. US-ITI and BR-ITI units less the five BR-ITI combat groups referred to above will continue to be employed in accordance with existing arrangements as long as they are needed by the Allied military authorities. Such units will remain under the operational command of Allied Force Headquarters. The numbers employed will gradually be reduced to NIL. It is estimated that in the case of US-ITI personnel, this stage will be reached in approximately February 1946 and in the case of BR-ITI personnel in approximately June 1946. When no longer needed by the Allied military authorities, US-ITI and BR-ITI personnel or units will be offered to the Italian Government.

b. Administration and maintenance of US-ITI and BR-ITI Service Units, and the Italian Navy and Air Force will be in accordance with paragraph 4 below.

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4. Future of the Carabinieri. Control of the Carabinieri will be the responsibility of the Italian Government subject to the supervision and overriding authority of AMG in those areas which remain outside the jurisdiction of the Italian Government. Strength will not exceed 65,000 which will be additional to any ceiling figure agreed for the Italian Army. The Carabinieri will be used for civilian security purposes only and will not be responsible for military security.

5. Reservations.

a. The Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater reserves the right to assume command at any time of the whole or any part of the Italian Army located in the theater, and to delegate his authority to command formations and units of the Italian Army to any Allied commander whom he may direct.

b. The Italian Government will furnish to the Supreme Allied Commander such information regarding the strength, organization, training, movements, administration, real estate, stocks of material and equipment, and other matters concerning the Italian Army as may be required from time to time.

c. Italian troops in territory not handed back to the Italian Government, and 808 CS Battalion although included in the ceiling set out in paragraph 7 below, will remain under operational command of Allied Force Headquarters for the time being.

6. Military Mission.

a. An Allied Military Mission will be provided to advise and assist the Italian Government in the organization, training and administration of the Italian Army and Carabinieri and to obtain and transmit to superior authority such information as is required. The Italian Government will normally accept the advice of this Mission. If it should find itself unable to do so, the matter will be referred to Allied Force Headquarters by the Allied Military Mission. The Mission will also be responsible for screening those demands for supplies and equipment which continue to be met from Allied military sources, and will exercise supervisory control over the use of such materials.

b. The Allied Military Mission will for the present be the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MMIA). A revised directive to the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MMIA) will shortly be issued.

III. FUTURE ORGANIZATION, TRAINING AND ADMINISTRATION.

7. Organization. During the interim period until the peace treaty becomes operative the Italian Army under control of the Italian Government will consist of not more than 140,000 personnel and will be organized on the following lines:

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dtg 2 November 45 (Cont'd)**a. Local Reserves.**Three Internal Security Divisions each of 5,000 men,
two in SICILY and one in SARDINIA 15,000.Ten Independent Regiments each of 2,500 men for ten
territorial regions on mainland 25,000.

Total 40,000.

b. Mobile Reserves.

Five combat groups and supporting troops.

Total 50,000.

c. Command.

Ministry of War and Territorial Region

Headquarters Total 9,000.

d. Administration. Total 31,000.**e. Training and Reinforcements.**Total 10,000.140,000.

8. No alteration to the general layout shown above will be made by the Italian Government without the consent of Allied Force Headquarters. Detailed requirements within the above framework will, however, be worked out as a matter of urgency by the Italian Government, as advised by the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MMIA) and reported to Allied Force Headquarters.

9. Training. The training of the Italian Army will be the responsibility of the Italian Government as advised by the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission (MMIA).

4104**10. Administration.**

a. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, the Italian Government will assume responsibility for the administration of the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7 above, and of the Carabinieri. Administrative units required will be formed from within the authorized ceiling so that the Italian Army is self-administering and no longer dependent on Allied base and lines of communication units.

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b. Italian Navy and Italian Air Force personnel will continue to be administered and maintained as at present, through Italian service channels.

c. BRI-ITI personnel in diluted British units will continue to be administered and maintained as at present. BRI-ITI Army Service units will continue to be administered and maintained through Italian service channels, except in respect of the provision of rations. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, responsibility for provision and issue of rations will be as follows:

- (1) The British portion of the ration only will be issued to such units through British service channels.
- (2) The Italian portion of the ration will be issued direct to units through Italian administrative channels.

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d. US-ITI Service Units will be administered and maintained through US service channels.

11. Maintenance and Provisioning.

a. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, the Italian Government will assume responsibility for the maintenance of the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7 above, and of the Carabinieri.

b. Procurement in respect of food, clothing, medical stores, warlike and non-warlike equipment will be effected from the following sources and in the following priorities subject to any subsequent instructions which may be issued regarding the standardization of equipment of the Italian Army and of the Carabinieri:

- (1) From indigenous Italian resources including captured material (except German weapons) and such local manufactures as may be authorized by Allied Force Headquarters.
- (2) By purchases from appropriate US and UK surplus disposal agencies in ITALY of stocks which are available to those disposal agencies.
- (3) Through the Italian Government import program.

c. As the procurement procedure outlined in paragraph 11 b above, will take time before it becomes fully operative, particularly in respect of requirements included in the Italian Government import program, the following procedure will apply to those requirements which cannot be met from the sources set out in paragraph 11 b, above:

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- (1) Such requirements may be loaned from US and British military stocks as a temporary expedient up to 1 January 1946. In addition, certain food may be sold or loaned to the Italian Government in accordance with paragraph 13 c, below.
- (2) Thereafter, these items will be returnable to the US and British on demand or they may be transferred to the Italian Government through US and British disposals organizations in accordance with established procedures.

d. With effect from 2400 hours, 14 November 1945, the Italian Government will continue to be responsible for meeting the POL and Coal requirements of the Italian Army and Carabinieri from civil stocks and by means of the Italian Government import program.

12. Warlike Equipment and Spares. All arms, vehicles and other warlike equipment of US and British origin (including lend-lease) in possession of those units being used to make up the Italian Army of 140,000 and in possession of the Carabinieri as may be surplus to US and British requirements together with up to one years maintenance and spare parts for arms, vehicles and other equipment so provided as may be surplus to the US and British requirements will be disposed of to the Italian Government. Appropriate scales of ammunition of various natures will also be transferred and authorized expenditure replenished from Allied sources. In the case of vehicles and warlike equipment available to US and British disposal organizations, disposal to the Italian Government will be effected through the respective US and British disposals organizations in accordance with established procedures, but with priorities requested for its sale to the Italian Government. In the case of lethal British warlike equipment, transfer will be made direct by the military.

13. Food Supply.

a. Subsistence will continue to be furnished by the US and British Army based on actual strengths of the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7 above, and of the Carabinieri until 30 November 1945. US responsibility will not exceed 124,000 and British responsibility will not exceed 81,000.

b. Subsistence for the Italian Army, including the Carabinieri, will be the responsibility of the Italian Government with effect from 1 December 1945. Its sources for provisioning are as set out in paragraph 11, above.

c. The US and British surplus disposal agencies will be requested to give the Italian Government priority in providing subsistence for the Italian Army from such supplies as may be declared surplus by the US and British military authorities. This priority is limited to items now being furnished in the ITI-ITI ration or equivalent British scale and in quantities not in excess of that required for the actual strength and in no event in excess of 205,000, beginning with the date of the request and ending 1 May 1946.

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14. Clothing and Individual/Personal Equipment.

a. All previous directives pertaining to transfer of clothing, individual/personal equipment and salvage to the Italian Army through MMIA are rescinded.

b. Purchase of any surpluses of non-warlike stores is as authorized in paragraph 11 b (2), above.

15. Medical Stores. Medical Stores of Allied origin which are held in Italian depots or by Italian units at the date of this letter will remain in Italian possession.

16. Accounting.

a. Financial arrangements consequent upon the above policy regarding supply remain to be settled. In the meantime, records will be maintained of all transfers made to the Italian Government from military stocks and accounting procedures in sub-paragraphs b and c below, will apply.

b. Accounting for Allied military supplies issued to the Italian Government in bulk for the Italian Army outlined in paragraph 7 above, and for the Carabinieri, Italian Navy and Air Force will follow present established procedures for the ITI-ITI category.

c. Accounting for Allied military supplies issued from British and US depots direct to BRI-ITI and US-ITI units will follow established procedures of the British and US forces. Issues from US military stocks, other than disposals through ANLC, will be through MMIA (US Contingent) who will maintain adequate records.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

C. W. Christenberry
C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Subject: WE Adm Regt

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13 oct 1945

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HQ 3 District.

Herewith the text of the message n. 2967.0P dated 11 oct 1945 from HQ 230 Div:

to Italian Liaison Officer (copy to SMRE)
Lions 19 settembre fu trasmesso a

Allegazione Hott seguente messaggio:

Prego voler fare aumentare organi
reggimento amministrativo che
sostituirà questo Comando di Divisione
di sette unità costituite da un
ufficiale commissario vigila un
ufficiale sussistenza consegnatario
et almeno cinque uomini truppa
occorrenti per gestione et movimenti
magazzino vertice di questa Divisione
alt V.S. conoscere entità movimenti
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copy to 230 Div.

13 Oct 1945

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Liaison 19 settembre fu trasmesso a

Maggiore Holt seguente messaggio:

Prego voler fare aumentare organici

reggimento amministrativo che

sostituirà questo Comando di Divisione

di sette unità costituite da un

ufficiale commissario rispeda un

ufficiale sussistenza consegnatario

et almeno cinque uomini truppa

occorrenti per gestione et movimenti

magazzino vestiario di questa Divisione

alt V. S. conosce entità movimenti

materiali et bisogni alt Contamaggiore

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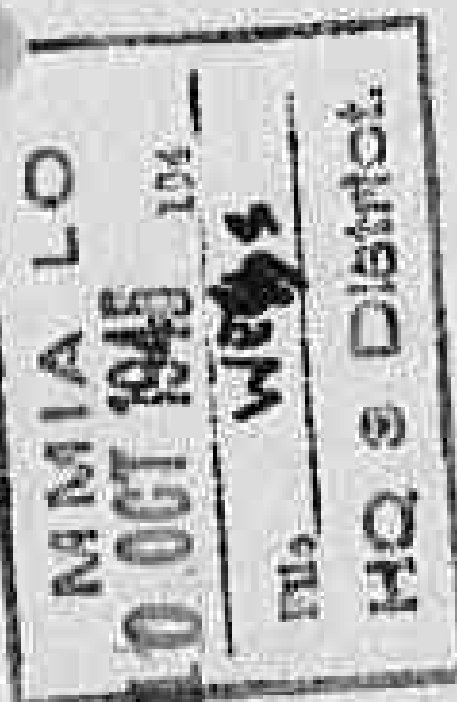
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Subject: War Establishment -
An Italian Adm Div HQ.

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION AC (MMIA)

SD/35/2

3 Oct 45

TO : AFHQ for: G-3 (Org For) - 10 copies
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I THE PROPOSAL

- (a) An Italian Adm Div HQ.
- (b) New Establishment.
- (c) Not applicable.

II THE EFFECT OF THE PROPOSAL

(a)	Increase of:	(i)	Offrs	35
			ORs	115
			<u>Total</u>	<u>150</u>
		(ii)	M/Cs	6
			Vehs	18

- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Two
- (d) Overall increase but offset by units now formed but for which no war establishment yet approved - see MMIA letter SD/35/2 of 27 Aug 45.
- (e) See MMIA letter SD/35/2 of 27 Aug 45.
- (f) All may be Med Category 'B'
- (g) Yes. AFHQ G-3 (Org 2) by phone and see also AFHQ letter AG.091.711/051 OCT-0 of 4 Sep 45.
- (h) Proposed WE attached at App "A".

III REASONS FOR THE PROPOSAL

TO THE ADM DIV HQS HAVE CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL AND HAVE RECOMMENDED IT BE APPROVED.

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III REASONS FOR THE PROPOSAL

- (a) Up to this date all BR-ITI Adm Div HQs have functioned on ad hoc war establishments, and, owing to the difference in the commitments of each Div, it has been impossible to standardise these differing establishments.
- (b) Now a compromise WE, proposed originally by AFHQ in AG.OG/051GOT-0 of 29 Apr 45, can be adopted as a standard establishment (given at App "A").
- (c) The approval of this WE is therefore necessary in order that the reorganisation recommended in MHA letter SD/35/2 of 27 Aug 45 may be put into effect.

J. M. F. Johnson
Major General
M.M.I.S.

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Appendix "A" to MIA
Letter SD/35/2 dated
Oct 45.

AN ITALIAN ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION HQ

: Amdt No :	-
: Date :	2 Oct 45
: Offrs :	35
: OPS :	145
: Total :	150
: MOS :	6
: Vehs :	18
: Trailers :	-

(4) Personnel

Detail	Offrs	Senior NCOs	Jun NCOs & ORs	TOTAL
Commander - Maj- Gen.	1			1
Aide - Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Deputy Commander - Brig-Gen.	1			1
Chief of Staff - Col or Lt-Col.	1			1
Deputy Commanders Office:-				
Lt Col or Major	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		1	2	3
Staff Duties:- Major	1			1
Capt	1			1
Other Ranks		2	1	3
Personnel & Secretariat:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		2	1	3
Welfare:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Other Ranks		1		1
Lt-Col or Major	1			1

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Chief of Staff - Col or Lt-Col.	1			1
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IT Col or Major	1			1
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Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		2	1	3
Welfare:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Other Ranks		1		1
Services:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		2		3
Territorial Services:-				
Lt-Col	1			1
Other Ranks		1		1
Engineer:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		1	1	2
Supplies & Transport:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Major or Capt	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	2		2	5
Other Ranks		3		3
Medical:-				
Lt-Col or Major	1			1
Capt or Subaltern	1			1
Other Ranks		2	1	3

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Detail	Ofcfrs	Senior NCOs	Jun NCOs & ORs	TOTAL
Mech Engineers } Technical Adm }	1	1		1 1
Provost (CORR):-		5	25	30
Salvagd:-	1	1		1 1
Postal Det:-	4	2	3	4 5
Chaplain:-	1			1
Interpreter:-	3			3
Camp Commandant:-	1			1
Quartermaster:-	1			1
Adm Officer:-	1			1
Signal Det:-		6	4	10
Disciplinary NCO:-		1		1
Storemen:-		2	1	3
Clerks:-		2		2
Drivers I.C.:-		3	15	18
Infantry escort & general duties:-		2	18	20
TOTAL - Italian Adm Division HQ :-	35	40	75	150

(ii) Transport (Italian)

MCs		6
Cars		2
Light Trucks.....		4
Lorries		12

Salvagers:-	Major or Capt Other Ranks	1	1	1
Postal Det:-	Capt or Subaltern Other Ranks	4	2	3
Chaplain:-	Captain	1		
Interpreter:-	Capt or Subaltern	3		
Camp Commandant:-	Capt	1		
Quartermaster:-	Lieut	1		
Adm Officer:-	2/Lieut	1		
Signal Det:-			6	4
Disciplinary NCO:-			1	1
Storemen:-			2	1
Clerks:-			2	
Drivers I.C.:-			3	15
Infantry escort & general duties:-			2	18
TOTAL - Italian Adm Division HQ :-		35	40	75
				150

(ii) Transport (Italian)

MCS		6
Cars		2
Light Trucks		4
Lorries		12
Total Vehicles		<u>18</u>

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TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

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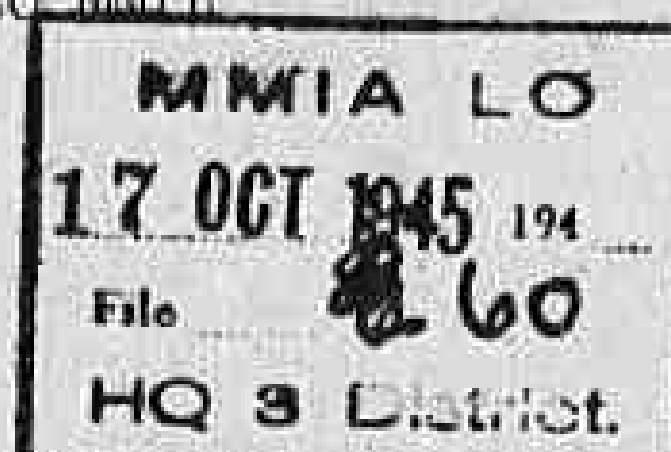
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
-APO 512

AG 014.12 GEG-0

14 October 1945

SUBJECT: Transfer of Responsibility for the Carabinieri to MMIA

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394
Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission,
FOR: MMIA

1. Reference is made to paragraph 24 of letter, this headquarters, AG 091.711/169 GCT-0, dated 16 November 1944, subject, "Command and Administration of Italian Army" and to letter, this headquarters, G-5 014.12, dated 20 July 1945, subject, "Reorganization of Carabinieri and Other Police Forces of Italy".

2. It is believed that the time has now come when the supervisory functions of MMIA should parallel the executive functions of the Italian Ministry of War. It is therefore desired that you cause all matters connected with the training and administration of the Carabinieri which have heretofore been handled by the Public Safety Sub-Commission to be transferred to the Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA). This will result in all matters connected with the Carabinieri except their operational functions, which should remain as at present, being placed under the supervision of MMIA.

3. The date of transfer of responsibilities will be mutually agreed between Public Safety Sub-Commission and MMIA and will be reported by you to this headquarters. In any event this date will not be later than 1 November 1945.

4. In matters affecting the instruction of the Carabinieri in purely civil police duties, as distinct from normal military training, MMIA will consult the Public Safety Sub-Commission which will afford such advice and assistance as may be required.

BY COMMAND OF THE ACTING SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENSEN
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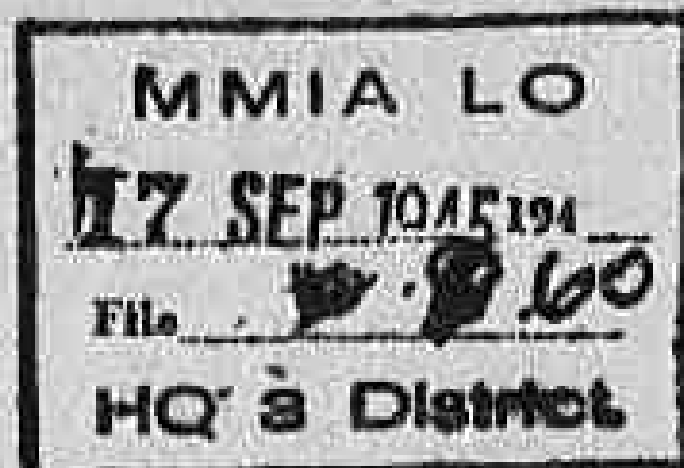
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SUBJECT: Address by GOC MMIA



LAND FORCES SUB COM, AG (MMIA)

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14 Sep 45

TO : MMIA Outstation IOs
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Comd 'F' BL & TU

1. Attached hereto is copy of address given by GOC MMIA to Senior Italian War Ministry officials on 14 Sep 45.

2. This document is for your personal information so that you will be in the picture if Territorial and Div comds discuss with you. It is necessary that the information contained in the document should first reach Italian officials through Italian Ministry of War channels and you are requested NOT to use this information for the present for purposes other than personal knowledge of what is being examined this end in ROME.

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L.M. G. Gledhill
Lt.-Col.
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Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,
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14 September 1945

Address by G.O.C., M.M.I.A. to give an
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2. Peace Treaty Terms.

I do not know what these will be. That is a matter for the Allied Governments and is not yet settled. So do NOT think that I can tell you anything about this to-day. I want to make that quite clear. I don't know.

3. Post-treaty set-up.

- (a) The post-treaty Italian Army will depend on the size, composition and armament authorized by the Allies, and on the matter of conscription or a long service army (much on the British model).

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3. (Contd.)

- (b) Nevertheless, we have got to think ahead in anticipation and try to design a proper framework which will suit an army of any size that ITALY is likely to be allowed.
- (c) ITALY, undoubtedly, in any event, will only be able to afford a small army, and I know as soldiers that you will agree with me that it is far better for her to have a small army of high quality than a large army of low quality. So that simplifies our problem.

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(iv) quality not quantity is to be the keynote. 4091

(c) The Italian Army proved in the post-armistice war that it had advanced a long way since the chaos of early 1944, but there is still a very long way to go yet.

(d) We appreciate that the full reconstruction will take time, but we must make a start now and go all out NOW to put a proper Italian Army on its feet. I know I can rely on your cooperation in this.

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(e) I am now going to outline to you the Allied views on general organization and training.

5. Conscription versus a long service voluntary army.

(a) With a small army, with keynote quality, there is no doubt in my mind that a long service army is far the best in every way for ITALY and I believe you thoroughly agree with me.

(b) Some aspects of this are :-

(i) Modern training takes months. Unless the army is trained, it is no use. Therefore, with a conscript army, you have to have large training staffs to train the whole call-up authorized each year. During early training men are away from their units. The result is that the size of the effective part of the army is small and unable to fulfil its function.

(ii) With a conscript army of one year's service, you have to turn over and train 100% of the call-up each year; but with a long service army of 5 years minimum, only 20% which eases the training commitment and thus enlarges the "effective" part of the army.

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- (d) In any event, I will tell my staff to examine the question with you and get your views. Personally, I think it far better to have a small long service, dependable army of high quality than a larger, less stable, conscript army of the same cost.
- (e) The OCRR give us a guide as to how a voluntary, long service army could be put into effect i.e. system, conditions of service, etc.

6. Call-up

- (a) If conscription continues to be the form of producing men for the army, I want you to examine the American system of call-up. (EXPLAIN)
- (b) It has worked excellently; is completely fair; and takes away an even % of men from each part of the country, thus assisting national economy.
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- (ii) an even flow of recruits can be dealt with and all training organizations are full simultaneously: thus reducing training overheads and maintaining the effective strength of the army.
- (iii) the recruit gets a thorough grounding before he goes to his unit. This enables the C.O. of the unit to concentrate on collective training.

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- (iv) the higher training establishments (except Military Academy at MODENA and Staff College in ROME) are planned to be concentrated round ROME, with obvious advantages of supervision and control by the Ministry of War; and are also concentrated by arms, which means economy of equipment.
- (v) collection and initial training of recruits is **by** Regions, thus preserving Territorial association and avoiding waste of time and transport in travelling.
- (vi) it is a system which we can start putting into force as soon as we get permission from higher authority.
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- (ii) Now we must go ahead with planning and organizing the P.T.C.'s and I.T.C.'s, as well as adjusting CESANO and the other schools nearby.
- (iii) We must decide quickly on the barracks and locations of the P.T.C.'s and I.T.C.'s which should be alongside each other. If the most suitable site in any place is occupied by the Allies, I will see if that can be freed for you.
- (iv) We must get the District H.Q.'s and Depots organized and functioning. The Depot (in our system) would have a

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dual role of an outfitting H.Q. and a Regimental Depot, I feel that District H.Q.'s and Depots should be merged to save overheads, movement and accommodation, I should like this examined in detail.

(v) We must get the CESANO and other nearby schools properly fitted up with suitable accommodation, roads etc. I am glad to see improvement there as regards this BUT WE MUST get the gas plant completely removed. We cannot have a civilian business in CESANO. It must be purely military - the shrine of the Italian Army, which in time will become a "show-piece" !

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(e) We must also now train instructors for P.T.C's and I.T.C's, and in fact get everything ready as soon as possible to take on the first big call-up. We can "live on our fat" from ER-ITI's and US-ITI's and local volunteers, we estimate, till December. By that time we anticipating have demobilized down to the 1919 class inclusive. It looks as

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if we will wait a call-up in January, so all must be ready before Xmas

- say 15 December. There is not too much time. We must hurry,

hurry, hurry.

8.

Officers.

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- (iv) Till MOIENA is ready and with the requisite instructors, we shall have to continue temporarily with LECCE - though here again the forthcoming courses should be modernized and adjusted.
- (v) As I say, the officer question is vital. No out of date tradition or procedure must stand in the way of producing the right type of modern army officer worthy of ITALY and which

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she needs so badly. We must start to build now for posterity and the word "Impossible" does not exist in my Dictionary !

9. Staff College.

This is not of such urgency but we want your views on this.

10. Standardization.

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(iv) CESANO, BRACCIANO and CIVITAVECCHIA Schools would be the exception. These should be controlled by one General under orders of the Ministry of War.

(v) M. of W. would lay down the standard syllabus for P.T.C.'s

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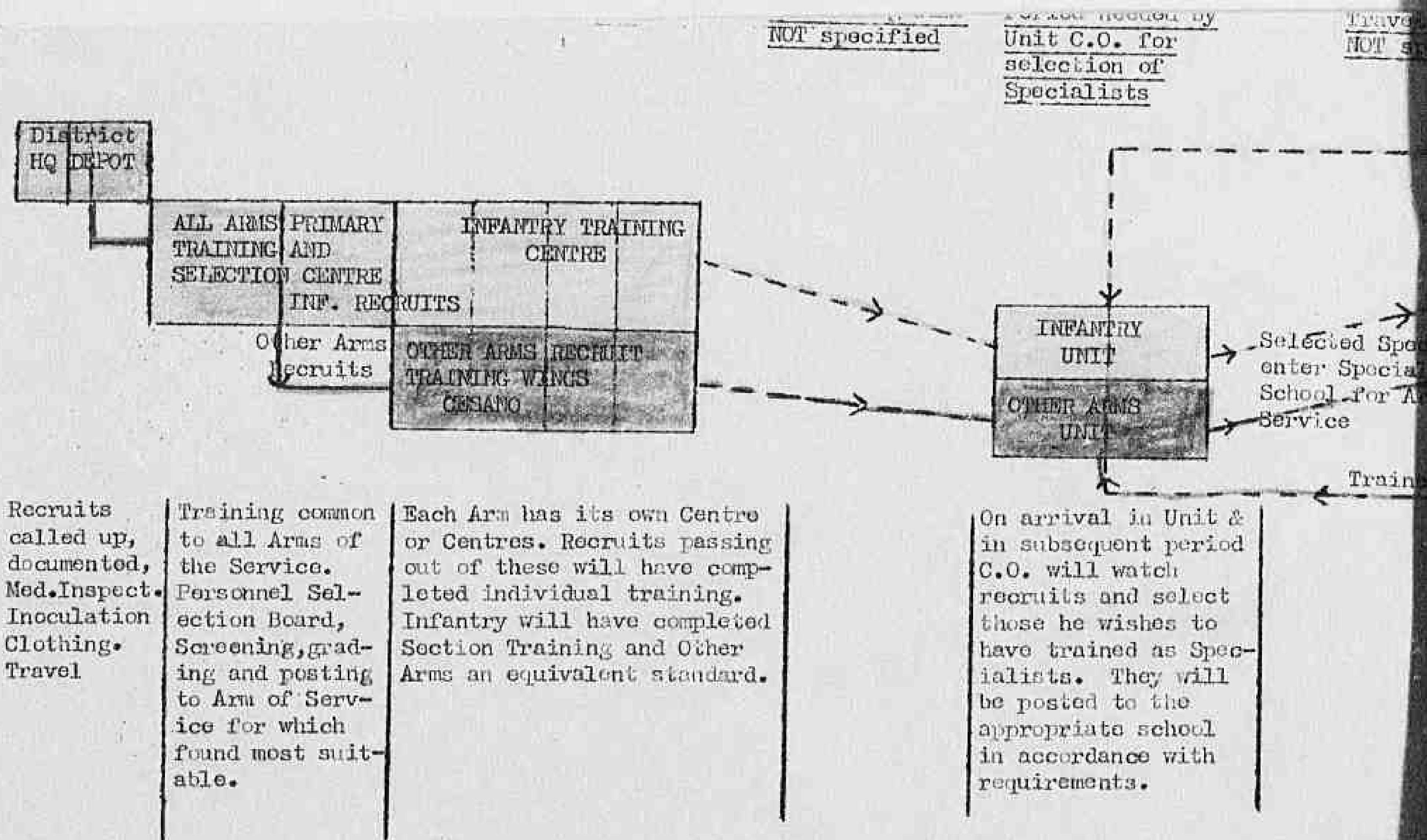
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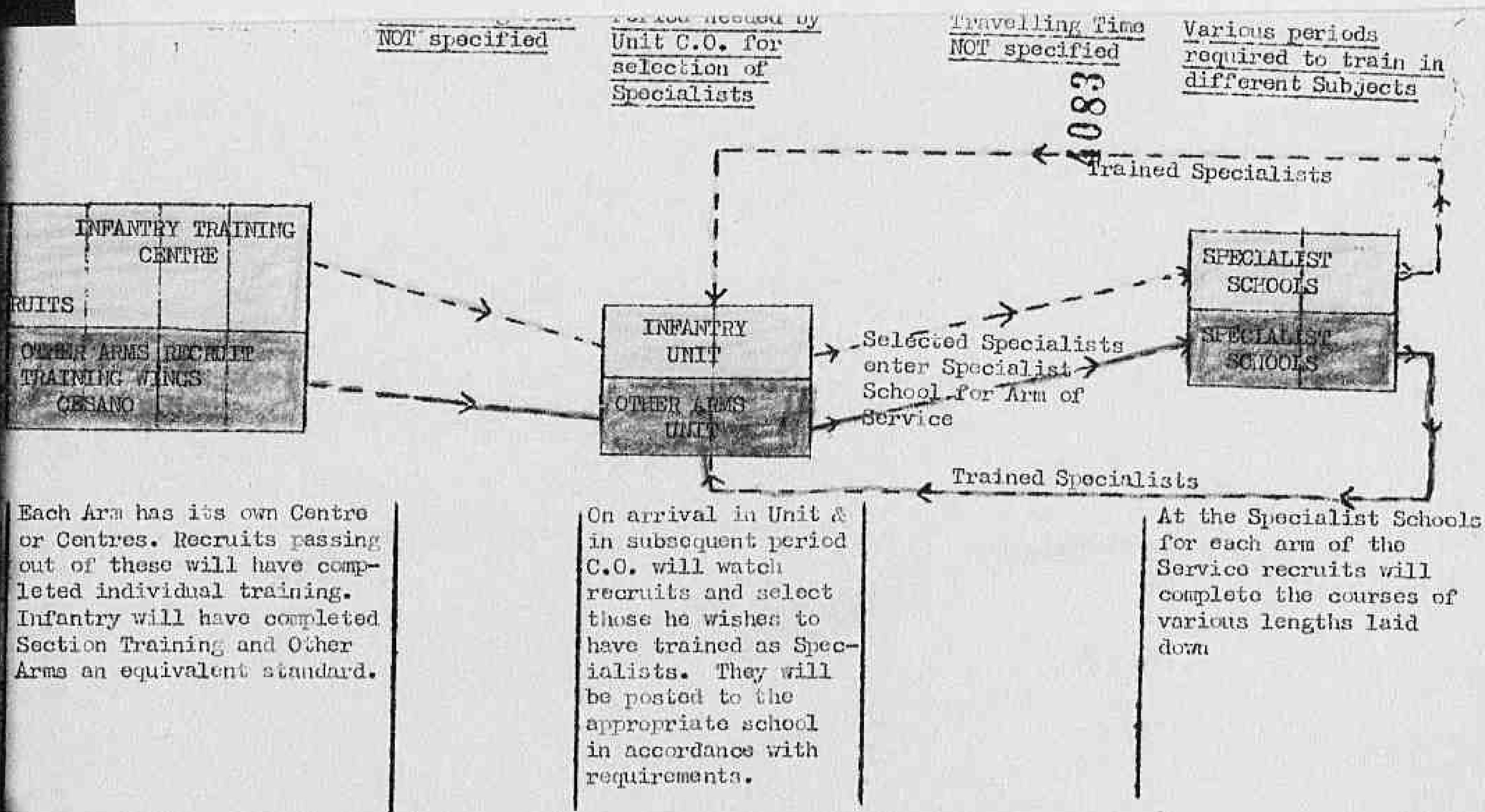
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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

FROM : MMIA

TO : AFHQ

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REAR EIGHTH ARMY

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MMIA LO SARDINIA

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FINAL ITALIAN TERRITORIAL HQ LAYOUT AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AUTHORITY
TO IMPLEMENT HQS AND UNITS IN VENETIA GIULIA

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In S.C.

SUBJECT: Functions and Responsibilities of Italian
Territorial HQs and Italian Adm Div HQs

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MMIA LO
3 Jul 45
HQ 3 District
29 June 45

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29 June 45

TO : (SEE DISTRIBUTION)

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5. When the need for Adm Div HQ ceases owing to a considerable reduction or disbandment of service tps (US-III, ER-III categories) Adm Div HQs will most likely first become an inc. to Terr. HQs and then in a later phase be dissolved and their functions for all matters will pass over to Italian Territorial HQs. Until such time Adm Div HQs must continue to administer Italian Service Tps under Comd US or Br Formations.

HAC Howard
Lt Col
for Major General
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TERRITORIAL HQ LAYOUT

DESIGNATION	REGION	MILITARY DISTRICT HQ's
Terr. HQ No. 1 TURIN	PIEDMONT less CUNEO and MONDOVI	TURIN, IVREA, NOVARA, VERCELLI, CHIVASSO, PINEROLO, CASALE, ALESSANDRIA, TORTONA
Terr. HQ No. 2 GENOA	LIGURIA plus CUNEO and MONDOVI	GENOA, CUNEO, MONDOVI, SAVON.
Terr. HQ No. 3 MILAN	LOMBARDY	MILAN, SONDRIO, COMO, VARESE, BERGAMO, MONZA, TREVIGLIO, BRESCIA, LODI, PAVIA, CREMONA, MANTOVA
Terr. HQ No. 4 BOLZANO	VENEZIA TRIDENTINA	BOLZANO, TRENTO, BELLUNO, VICENZA, VERONA
Terr. HQ No. 5 UDINE	VENEZIA	UDINE, SACILE, GORIZIA, TREVISO, PADOVA, TRIESTE, VENEZIA, ROVIGO, POLA,
Terr. HQ No. 6 BOLOGNA	EMILIA - MARCHE	BOLOGNA, PIACENZA, PARMA, REGGIO, EMILIA, FERRARA.. MODENA, RAVENNA, FORLI, PESARO, ANCONA
Terr. HQ No. 7 FLORENCE	TUSCANY	FLORENCE, AREZZO, LUCCA, PISTOIA, PISA, AREZZO, SIENA, GROSSETO
Terr. HQ No. 8 ROME	LAZIO - UMBRIA ABRUZZI - SARDINIA	ROME, PERUGIA, MACERATA, ORVIETO, SPOLETO, ASCOLI PICENO, TERAMO, VITERBO, AQUILA, CHIETI, SULMONA, FROSINONE, LITTORIA, CAGLIARI, ORISTANO, SASSARI,
Terr. HQ No. 9 BARI	APULIA - LUCANIA	BARI, CANTORASSO, FOGGIA, BARIETTA, POTENZA, TARANTO, LECCE,
Terr. HQ No. 10 NAPLES	CAMPANIA - CALABRIA	NAPLES, CASERTA, BENEVENTO, AVERSA, NOLA, AVELLINO, SALERNO, COSENZA, CATANZARO, REGGIO CALABRIA,
Terr. HQ No. 11 PALERMO	SICILY	PALERMO, TRAPANI, MESSINA, ENNA, CATANIA, CAITANISSETTA, AGRIGENTO, RAGUSA, SIRACUSA,

APPENDIX "A" to L A letter
SD/34 dated 29 Jun 45TERRITORIAL HQ LAYOUT

REGION	MILITARY DISTRICT HQ's	TOTAL (99)	NUMBER OF REGIMENTAL DEPOTS (RECORD CENTRES)
PIEMONTE as CUNEO and MONDOVI	TURIN, IVREA, NOVARA, VERCELLI, CHIVASSO, PINEROLO, CASALE, ALESSANDRIA, TORTONA	9	10
LIGURIA as CUNEO and MONDOVI	GENOA, CUNEO, MONDOVI, SAVONA,	4	4
LOMBARDY	MILAN, SONDRIO, COMO, VARESE, BERGAMO, MONZA, TREVIGLIO, BRESCIA, LODI, PAVIA, CREMONA, MANTOVA	12	6
VENEZIA TRIDENTINA	DOLZANO, TRENTO, TELLANO, VICENZA, VERONA	5	6
VENEZIA	UDINE, SACILE, GORIZIA, TREVISO, PADOVA, TRIESTE, VENEZIA, ROVIGO, POLA,	9	4
EMILIA - MARCHE	BOLOGNA, PIACENZA, PARMA, REGGIO, EMILIA, FERRARA.. MODENA, RAVENNA, FORLI, PESARO, ANCONA	10	9
TUSCANY	FLORENCE, AREZZO, LUGGIA, PISTOIA, PISA, AREZZO, SIENA, GROSSETO	8	4
LAZIO - UMBRIA ARDETTI - SARDINIA	ROME, PERUGIA, MACERATA, ORVIETO, SPOLETO, ASCOLI PICENO, TERAMO, VITERBO, AQUILA, CHIETI, SULMONA, FROSINONE, LITTORIA, CAGLIARI, ORISTANO, SASSARI,	16	20
SICILIA - LUCANIA	BARI, CAMPOBASSO, FOGGIA, BARIETTA, POTENZA, TARANTO, LECCE,	7	10
CAMPANIA - CALABRIA	NAPLES, CASERTA, BENEVENTO, AVERSA, NOLA, AVELLINO, SALERNO, COSINZA, CATANZARO, REGGIO CALABRIA,	10	14
SICILY	PAERMO, TRAPANI, MESSINA, ENNA, CATANIA, CAITANISSETTA, AGRIGENTO, RAGUSA, SIRACUSA,	9	3

ORG AND ALLOTMENT - ADM DIV HQ'S

DESIGNATION	LOCATION	FUNCTION	ALLIED HQ	ITALIAN HQ	ITALIA LO
HQ 205 Adm Div	NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	USAFSC/MTO	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES (c/o FENSOUTH)
HQ 209 Adm Div	CESENA	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTONE (A)	Terr HQ 6 BOLOGNA	LO DISTONE
HQ 210 Adm Div		US-ITIS under comd	FIFTH ARMY	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	Senior LO FIFTH ARMY
HQ Italian Command 212	NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	P.B.S.	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES
(HQ 227 Adm Div	NAPLES	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTHREE (& RAAC)	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	LO DISTHREE
{ Eastern Det HQ 227 Div	BARI	" " "	DISTHREE (Eastern Territory)	Terr HQ 9 BARI	Senior LO BARI (c/o 54 Ar)
HQ 228 Adm Div	UDINE	" " "	EIGHTH ARMY	Terr HQ 5 UDINE	Senior LO EIGHTH ARMY
HQ 230 Adm Div	FLORENCE	" " "	DISTONE (B)	Terr HQ 7 FLORENCE	LO FLORENCE
HQ 231 Adm Div	LONATO (See Note C)	" " "	FIVE ARMY BR INCR (See Note D)	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	LO FIVE ARMY BR INCR

(SEE NOTES ON NEXT PAGE)

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ORG AND ALLOTMENT - ADM DIV HQ'SAPPENDIX "B" TO MMLA LETTER
SD/34 DATED JUNE 1945

LOCATION	FUNCTION	ALLIED HQ	ITALIAN HQ	ACTA LO	REMARKS
NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	USAAFSC/MTO	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES (c/o FENSOUTH)	Deals with adm of all Italian Air Force Personnel assigned to USAAFSC/MTO.
CESENA	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTONE (A)	Terr HQ 6 BOLOGNA	LO DISTONE	This is one of two HQs under comd DISTONE. See note (A)
	US-ITIS under comd	FIFTH ARMY	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	Senior LO FIFTH ARMY	All US-ITIS in FIVE ARMY. Terr HQs 1, 2, 3, and 6 may also be concerned.
NAPLES	US-ITIS under Comd	P.B.S.	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	Senior LO NAPLES	This HQ has three Zone HQs and ten Group HQs. MMLA has LO's at PENBASE (LEGHORN), FLORENCE and GENOA.
NAPLES	BR-ITIS under Comd	DISTHREE	Terr HQ 10 NAPLES	LO DISTHREE	) There are no BR-ITIS in SARDINIA or SICILY.
BARI	" " "	DISTHREE (Eastern Territory)	Terr HQ 9 BARI	Senior LO BARI (c/o 54 Area)	
UDINE	" " "	EIGHTH ARMY	Terr HQ 5 UDINE	Senior LO EIGHTH ARMY	Terr. HQs 4 and 6 would be concerned regarding this area.
FLORENCE	" " "	DISTONE (B)	Terr HQ 7 FLORENCE	LO FLORENCE	See Note (B) at foot.
LONATO (See Note C)	" " "	FIVE ARMY BR INCR (See Note D)	Terr HQ 4 BOLZANO	LO FIVE ARMY BR INCR	It has been agreed by AFHQ that this HQ pass to comd 2 DIST together with a proportion of the units it administers. The Senior MMLA LO N.W. ITALY is at MILAN and has offices at TURIN and GENOA. He works with 2 DIST and IV Corps on the allied side and Terr. HQs 1, 2, and 3 at TURIN, GENOA and MILAN.

APPENDIX "B" (CONT'D)

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NOTES:

- (A) 209 Adm Div HQ administers all BR-ITI Units in that part of DISTONE Area in the Regions of E the Province of MANTOVA.
- (B) 230 Adm Div HQ administers the remaining BR-ITI Units in DISTONE Area (i.e. TOSCANA - UMBRIA).
- (C) It has been recommended by MMIA that 231 Adm Div HQ moves to a location near HQ 2 DISTRICT.
- (D) Br Incr 5 Army ceased to exist w.e.f. 23 June 45. BR-ITI Units formerly under its command v by 231 Div (which passes to comd 2 DIST) if West of the Western bdy of the Provinces of BOLOGNA, MANTOVA, REGGIO EMILIA, and North of the Northern bdy of TOSCANA; and by either 209 Div or 230 Div (comd 1 DIST) if East and South of that boundary.

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APPENDIX "E" to MMIA
letter TS/G/12 of 26
Dec 44

FUNCTIONS OF TERRITORIAL HQ'S, DISTRICTS AND DEPOTS

1. Territorial HQs

- (a) represent authority of War Ministry and General Staff throughout area of responsibility.
- (b) A Branch/G-1 matters and discipline behind the scope of lower fmh HQs (incl tps under Allied operations 1 comd)
- (c) responsibility for safe custody and accounting of all Italian mil stores.
- (d) reps of services attached to the staff are responsible for org of services in the area.
- (e) Org and op of Districts, Depots, hosps and other mil ests.
- (f) Supervision and org of call-up and demobilization.
- (g) Administration and discipline of Italian I.S.Tps.

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- (b) demobilization and recall of reserves
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- (e) records of junior reserve offrs

(f) settlements of claims and complaints for NCOs and ORs. Depots (Record Centers) are the homes and record centers of Italian regts. Their functions incl:-

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- (d) records of all arms and eqpt issued to units
- (e) holding stocks of clothing, unit and personal eqpt etc
- (f) regimental adm and records

NOTE

functions at 3 (b) & (c) are being performed by the Allies under present circumstances. The clothing referred to in serial 3 (c) is known as ITI clothing.

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APPENDIX "F" to MMIA letter
TS/G/12 of 26 Dec 44

FUNCTIONS OF ITALIAN ADM DIV HQ'S

- (a) Org of sups of all kinds (rations, clothing, PCL, and sups, accn stores) for all Italian tps under command of the parent Allied fmn, with the assistance of MMIA LO and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA. In all such matters the Adm Div HQ will deal direct with the Italian War Ministry, keeping the MMIA LO informed, or direct with parent Allied fmn, through MMIA LO. *surely - gallo!*
- (b) Distributions of sups of all kinds to all Italian tps under command of the parent Allied fmn under the direction of MMIA LO, and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA.
- (c) Discipline and welfare and all purely Italian Army Adm matters for all tps placed under its command. On all such matters the Adm HQ will deal with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ and NOT direct with the War Ministry.
- (d) Maintenance of all ITI-ITI tps under its command by arrangement with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ when directed by MMIA.
- (e) Function as the recognised Italian Mil Authority with whom the parent Allied fmn will deal on all local matters concerning the Italian tps under its command.
- (f) GOC Italian Adm HQ is the rep of the War Ministry in the area under his command and is there to be consulted on and give every assistance in all matters of major issue.

NOTE:-For purely Italian Adm matters, the channel of command is :

Unit - Adm Div HQ - Territorial HQ - War Ministry. The Territorial HQ is particularly concerned in this case with all A/GI matters; Adm and discipline of personnel and control of funds and stores. It will NOT interfere with the org of sups to tps under Allied command nor move or transfer such personnel without prior agreement of the parent Allied fmn and/or MMIA. Should tps of an Adm Div HQ be spread over more than one region, the channel of command will be :

Adm Div HQ to Territorial HQ in which the HQ of the Adm Div is situated.

- parent Allied fmm under the direction of MMIA IO, and in accordance with directives issued from time to time by MMIA.
- (c) Discipline and welfare and all purely Italian Army Adm matters for all tps placed under its command. On all such matters the Adm HQ will deal with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ and NOT direct with the War Ministry.
 - (d) Maintenance of all ITI-ITI tps under its command by arrangement with the appropriate Italian Territorial HQ when directed by MMIA.
 - (e) Function as the recognised Italian Mil Authority with whom the parent Allied fmm will deal on all local matters concerning the Italian tps under its comd.
 - (f) GOC Italian Adm HQ is the rep of the War Ministry in the area under his command and is there to be consulted on and give every assistance in all matters of major issue.

NOTE:-For purely Italian Adm matters, the channel of comd is :

Unit - Adm Div HQ - Territorial HQ - War Ministry. The Territorial HQ is particularly concerned in this case with all A/GI matters; Adm and discipline of personnel and control of funds and stores. It will NOT interfere with the org of sups to tps under Allied comd nor move or transfer such personnel without prior agreement of the parent Allied fmm and/or MMIA. Should tps of an Adm Div HQ be spread over more than one region, the channel of comd will be :

Adm Div HQ to Territorial HQ in which the HQ of the Adm Div is situated.

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SUBJECT: Responsibility for Tpg Italian Army

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 353/131 GTF-C

SUBJECT: Responsibility of Training - Italian Army

TO: All concerned.

1. OBJECT The object of this instruction is to define the responsibility for the training of the Italian Army, less those troops maintained by US authorities (US ITIS).

2. DMT, AFHQ Director of Military Training, Allied Force Headquarters will direct training in accordance with the policy laid down by SAC.

3. MAIA MAIA will control, and supervise the training of the Italian Army in accordance with the policy laid down by AFHQ, under the general direction of DMT. MAIA will be responsible for the following duties:-

- a) the transmission of Allied instructions to the Italian War Ministry in proper form.
 - b) advice and assistance to Italian War Ministry in the organization of training.
 - c) representation where necessary of Italian War Ministry's views to AFHQ.
 - d) supervision of training in Italian units and establishments, except those under command 15th Army Group, by the following means:-
 - (1) through British Liaison units or training staffs where they exist.
 - (2) with the assistance of British administrative cadres where they exist; part of whose duties will therefore be the control of training.
 - (3) by direct contact with the Italian staff where no British staff exists.
 - e) the control and supervision of training of BR-I-ITI Service troops.
4. 15th ARMY GROUP 15th Army Group has the same responsibility for the training of Italian formations and service units under command as for formations and units of other national armies under command. Any matters necessitating reference to higher Italian military authority will be referred by 15th Army Group direct to HQ MAIA. Any question of general training policy will be referred direct to AFHQ.

5. Specialist Training BR-ITI Service Troops. In view of the deficiencies of tradesmen in service units, MAIA will insure that adequate provision is made for the trade training of service troops subsequent to their basic training at the base depots.

6. DIST COMDS District, Area and Sub-Area commanders will not be responsible for the training of Italian troops (except insofar as local adm assistance can be provided) unless specifically ordered by AFHQ. They will, however, be prepared to assist MAIA in the training of service troops insofar as is possible.

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3. MMA will control, and supervise the training of the Italian Army in accordance with the policy laid down by AFHQ, under the general direction of DMT. MMA will be responsible for the following duties:-

- a) the transmission of Allied instructions to the Italian War Ministry in proper form.
 - b) advice and assistance to Italian War Ministry in the organisation of training.
 - c) representation where necessary of Italian War Ministry's views to AFHQ.
 - d) supervision of training in Italian units and establishments, except those under command 15th Army Group, by the following means:-
 - (1) through British Liaison units or training staffs where they exist.
 - (2) with the assistance of British administrative cadres where they exist; part of whose duties will therefore be the control of training.
 - (3) by direct contact with the Italian staff where no British staff exists.
 - e) the control and supervision of training of ERI-ITI Service troops.
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6. DIST COMOS. District, Area and Sub-Area commanders will not be responsible for the training of Italian troops (except insofar as local adm assistance can be provided) unless specifically ordered by AFHQ. They will, however, be prepared to assist MMA in the training of service troops insofar as is possible.
7. ITALIAN AUTHORITIES. The implementation of training schemes, the provision, allocation and training of instructors will be the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry under the supervision of MMA as in paragraph 3 above.

8. US - ITIS. Where the training of US-ITIS requires co-ordination with the Italian War Ministry, this will be done through MMA.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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HQ 3 District

SUBJECT: Italian Liaison Officers

All concerned

1. Some doubt appears to exist as to the status and functions of the Italian Liaison Officers attached to this HQ.
2. These officers are appointed by and are on the strength of the Italian War Ministry under whose arrangements they were placed at the disposal of 3 District HQ for Liaison Duties. It is the policy of this HQ that they should act as liaison officers between this HQ and Italian formations and units with which this HQ has to deal. These will include the territorial HQs at NAPLES and BARI, 227 and 230 ITALIAN Divs and units under their respective adm comd. The designation of the Senior Officer, at present Lt Col ZIZZO, will be ITALIAN Liaison Officer, and his office in the HQ will be known as ITALIAN Liaison Office, Ufficio di Collegamento.

3. The maximum use should be made of the services of the ITALIAN LO and his staff for such purposes as obtaining information or transmitting instructions relating to the HQs and units referred to in para 2, including 803 and 804 Base Reinforcement Depots and all units on the BRI-ITI order of battle working for British Services. If Branches avail themselves fully of the services of Lt Col ZIZZO and his staff, this will relieve Maj THURUPP, the MILA LO from many detailed liaison matters which should properly be carried out by the ITALIAN LO Staff. The MILA LO has the wider duties of MILA representative at this HQ and adviser to the District Comd on all Italian Army matters (incl equipment and maintenance of the Combat Groups while forming).

4. (a) It is essential that communications dealing with Italian Army Units under adm comd of 227 Div should, unless there are special reasons to the contrary, include in their distribution:-

227 ITALIAN Adm Div, and
ITALIAN LO
as well as MILA LO

- (b) Similarly, all communications dealing with units under adm comd 230 Div should normally include:-

230 ITALIAN Adm Div, and
MILA LO

If they deal with matters of policy, ITALIAN LO should also be included.

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3. The maximum use should be made of the services of the ITALIAN IO and his staff for such purposes as obtaining information or transmitting instructions relating to the HQs and units referred to in para 2, including 803 and 804 Base Reinforcement Depots and all units on the BRI-INTI order of battle working for British Services. If Branches avail themselves fully of the services of Lt Col ZIZZO and his staff, this will relieve Maj THURUPP, the MILA IO from many detailed liaison matters which should properly be carried out by the ITALIAN IO Staff. The MILA IO has the wider duties of MILA representative at this HQ and adviser to the District Comd on all Italian Army matters (incl equipment and maintenance of the Combat Groups while forming).

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ITALIAN Army Territorial HQ NAPLES

MILA BARI

ITALIAN Army Territorial HQ BARI

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P.S. 3800- 4 Feb 45

Subject:- Italian Liaison Offices attached to Allied Hqs.

ADDRESSES C ITED

1. In order to make clear the position of the existing Liaison Offices attached to Allied Hqs, it is laid down:

- a) these offices come under disciplinary and adm cmd of the Territorial Military HQ in whose jurisdiction they are located;
- b) these same offices are to be considered as the representatives of the Territorial Military HQ to the Allied Hqs.

2. Addresses are asked to notify:

- the liaison offices located in their own territory and the Allied Hqs to which they are attached;
- the strength of these offices (Offrs, NCOs and OMs), the date of their constitution and the Hqs by which they have been formed.

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