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SUBJECT: Rome Location Committee

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The att copy of Part 1 of AMQ Staff Memorandum No. 102
dated 13 Nov is forwarded for information.

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(C. WOOLLESTON) Lieut
for Lt Col
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LIVING SPACE REQUIREMENTS

ASO 512

17 November 1945.

STAFF ALLOCATION)

RACER (02)

Home Location Committee.

1. HOME LOCATION COMMITTEE

1. In the future no Allied unit or individual will be permanently located in RACR unless their claims are approved by AMEC.

2. A committee entitled the HOME Location Committee and composed as shown below is established effective 15 November 1945.

Chairman - Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, AMEC

Members - One representative not below the rank of Lt Col from each of the following :

G-3 AMEC 3 (Main)

G (02) CHQ CEF G-4 AMEC

G-3 AMEC RAC

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Such other branches, staff sections as may be co-opted from time to time.

3. The functions of this committee will be :

(a) To examine all future requests by Allied units and individuals to be permanently located in RACR.

(b) To examine the claims to remain in HOME of Allied units and individuals already accommodated in the city.

4. The committee is only concerned with the necessity for units and individuals to be permanently located in HOME. It will not be concerned with scales of accommodation or ways and means of providing accommodation etc. as soon as a claim to be located in HOME has been approved by AMEC, G-3 will notify RACR who will then be responsible for allotting appropriate accommodation.

5. The committee will, ^{be} responsible to the Chief of Staff through Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, AMEC, and will meet as directed by the Chairman. Its decisions will be subject to final arbitration by the Chief of Staff.

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Members - One representative not below the rank of Lt Col from each of the following:

G-5 AFHQ
G (RD) CHQ CEF
G-3 AFHQ
(A) CHQ CEF
G (Main) G-4 AFHQ
RAC

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6. All correspondence for the committee will be addressed 'RUC Location Committee' G-3, AFHQ.

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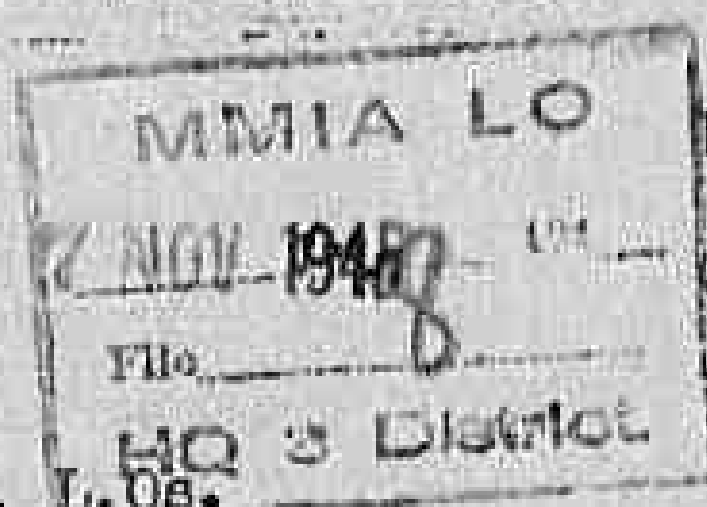
BY ORDER OF THE THEATER COMMANDER

Signed

C.W. Christenberry
Colonel AGD
Adjutant General.

L.O. 3 District
Capt. O'Donnell
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Subject: Recovery of War Material of French Origin.



Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.
Q.155
4 November, 1945.

TO: All M.M.I.A. L.Os.

French Military and Naval Authorities are seeking to recover war material of French origin in Italian Army depots.

M.M.I.A. is responsible that the information required by the French Authorities is made available by the War Ministry and that the necessary facilities are granted to the French representatives.

Particulars of the accredited French representatives both Naval and Military are being obtained and permits to enter Italian Army depots will be issued by the War Ministry to them through M.M.I.A. You will be informed of the names of the individuals concerned. Such individuals will be given every assistance in the performance of their duty.

Should Territorial Headquarters be approached by French officers on this subject, the above method should be explained, and unless provided with an official permit, permission to enter Italian Army depots will not be granted. French officers concerned should be informed that they must first make application to their own Headquarters for the necessary permit.

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R. A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
For Major General,
M. M. I. A.

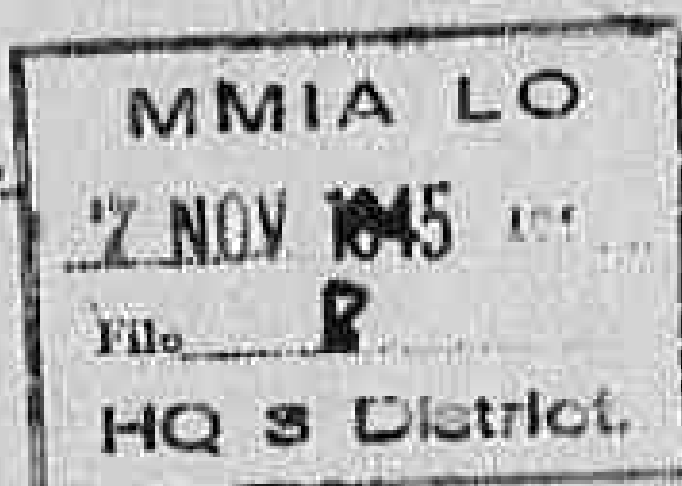
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3 District
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SUBJECT: - Moves of Units.



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1. Cases have recently occurred of service units moving on orders issued through Service channels.
2. In future all units or detachment, irrespective of size, will move only on orders issued by 'G' through staff channels. There will be no exception to this rule.

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C.F. Harris
(C.F. HARRIS) Lt Col

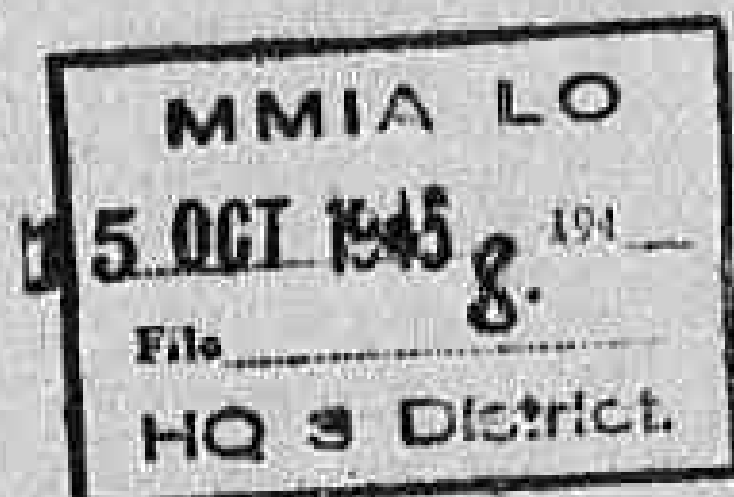
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Capt E. O. Dannel

SUBJECT : Disposal of Captured Enemy Material.



LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
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Q/95
11 October 1945

ALL M.M.I.A. LO's

1. Attached copy of latest A.F.H.Q. directive on the disposal of captured enemy material - ref. AG.386.3 Q (AE) 7 0 dated 2 October 1945 and copy of our Q/23/14 dated 11 October 1945 addressed to War Ministry.
2. This is now the ruling A.F.H.Q. directive on this subject, and this HQ letters Q/95 dated 7 July, 11 July, 26 September, 4 October 1945 and Q/23/14 dated 23 July 1945 are hereby cancelled.

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Major General
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
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Land Forces Commission A.C.

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HQ 3 District.

Ministry of War.

To:-

1. This headquarters letter 0/95 of 7 July 1945, subject "Ammunition Dumps" is hereby cancelled and the instructions contained in this letter are substituted therefor.

2. Allied Force Headquarters has directed the destruction, by exploding in situ or sinking in water of 50 fathoms depth or more, of all enemy mines, grenades, detonators and initiators, explosives, small arms ammunition and ammunition of 20 mm calibre or below. Until destroyed, enemy material of this nature will continue to be a shared responsibility of the Allied Command in whose area it is located.

3. The location and quantities of all enemy ammunition, larger than 20 mm calibre will be made known to the Italian Government by the Allied Command in whose area the material is located, through the Allied Commission, and will make the necessary arrangements with civilian experts for the breaking down of the ammunition into its component parts. The Italian Government will give assurance that the resultant raw material will not be used for the production of further armaments. When the Italian Government has been advised of the location and quantity of enemy ammunition larger than 20 mm calibre, the Italian Government will be responsible for the safeguarding of the ammunition until its final disposal. Allied responsibility for safeguarding such ammunition will cease from the time that satisfactory arrangements have been made to that effect.

4. The Italian Army may continue to destroy small quantities of loose ammunition of whatever calibre which constitute a hazard to life or property.

5. These instructions do not apply to the Venezia-Giulia region where the local Allied Military Government will continue to be responsible for the safeguarding and disposal of ammunition in the area under its command.

6. Recaptured ammunition of Italian origin which is not required for military purposes by the Allied Command in whose area it is located will be turned over immediately to the Italian military authorities for maintenance of the Italian forces within the authorised ceilings. The channel of transaction in material of Italian Ground Force origin which is to be returned to the Italian Army authorities will be the Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.N.I.A.)

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Copy to:-

ALL R.M.I.A. L.Os.

Public Safety Sub Commission A.C.

NAV & AIR Sub Commission A.C.

Industry Sub Commission A.C.

R.O. A.C. (6)

AMHQ (10) - Reference AG.305.3 Q(18)-3 of 2 October 1945.

W. P. ...
Major General.
H. M. I. A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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AG 386.3 (AB)-0

2 October 1945.

SUBJECT: Disposal of Captured Enemy Material in the Mediterranean Theatre
(To include ITALY, AUSTRIA, GREECE and BULGARIA EAST).

TO: Commanding General
Peninsular Base Section, APO 782
Land Forces Greece
General Officers Commanding
XIII Corps.
GHQ, Middle East
Number 2 District
Number 3 District
Headquarters British Troops in Austria.

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15 OCT 1945

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HQ 3 District

1. OBJECT OF THIS DIRECTIVE

The object of this directive is to indicate the method of disposal of, and policies and conditions controlling the disposal of the remaining captured and/or surrendered enemy war material in the Mediterranean Theatre. The following letters from this headquarters, as amended, are hereby rescinded:

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AG 386.3/249 GCT-0, dated 3 August 1945, subject: "Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in AUSTRIA".

2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTROL AND DISPOSAL OF ENEMY MATERIAL.

- a. The control of all enemy material in this theatre is vested in the Supreme Allied Commander.
- b. The allocation, use and ultimate disposal of enemy material is a responsibility of command, which will be exercised by you in accordance with the provisions of this directive.

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The majority of enemy material available for disposition is located in ITALY and AUSTRIA. Therefore this directive has been prepared with full reference to disposal in these two countries. Where the policy varies for other countries within the theatre, notes have been added indicating the different procedure to be applied.

5. DEFINITIONS

a. Captured or Surrendered Enemy War Material - (Hereafter referred to as enemy material) includes any material of whatever nature and wherever situated, intended for war on land, at sea, or in the air, which has been at any time in use by, or intended for use by, the armed forces, civil defence or other formations or organizations under the control or influence of the German Governments, German authorities, or Governments or authorities of the states allied to, or associated with, GERMANY.

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b. Disposal Authority is the military authority in whom is vested the power to dispose of enemy material.

6. PRINCIPLES TO BE APPLIED.

a. Allied Naval, Ground and Air Force Responsibilities -

Enemy Naval, and Air Force material will be controlled and disposed of by the Allied Naval and Air Forces respectively. Enemy Ground Forces material will be controlled and disposed of by the Allied Ground Forces and co-ordination, where necessary, between the Allied Naval, Ground and Air Forces will be effected by the Ground Forces Commanders. The latter, in the appropriate cases, must be prepared to assist Allied Naval and Air Force Commanders in the control and disposition of material peculiar to the enemy Naval and Air Forces. Common user items will normally be the responsibility of the Allied Ground Forces.

b. Allied Ground Forces. Staff and Service Responsibilities for Control and Disposition of Enemy Material.

The responsibility for the control, safeguarding or disposition of all enemy Ground Forces war material is placed upon the Commanding Generals of all major commands in their respective areas. This responsibility will be exercised through the normal Allied Staff and Technical service channels appropriate to the type of material concerned. It is desired that arrangements made by each command be such that continuity of control can be maintained when changes of territorial command occur.

7. CONTROLLING AUTHORITIES AT ARHQ - The control of enemy material will be exercised by ARHQ through normal command and technical channels appropriate to the material concerned.

8. POLICIES.

a. Retention of material by units or individuals - Retention by units or individuals of such material unless properly authorised in accordance with this instruction, and other pertinent directives is forbidden.

b. Use of material by Allied Commanders - Authority is granted for the maximum use to be made of enemy material required for the support of Allied Forces in the accomplishment of their assigned mission (including essential civil requirements) or for the maintenance of enemy forces.

c. Recaptured material of Italian Military Origin - Recaptured material of Italian origin which is not required for military purposes, including maintenance of POW, will be turned over immediately to the Italian military authorities, for maintenance of the Italian Forces within the authorized ceilings. The channel of transaction in material of Italian Ground Force origin, which is to be returned to the Italian Army authorities, will be the Land Forces Sub Mission A.C. (LILA). Receipt for material so handed over will be taken by

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d. War material of United States, British or other United Nation Origin.

(1) It will be the policy for material of United States or British origin recovered from the enemy by recapture or surrender to be turned over to the American or British services normally responsible for the class of material concerned.

(2) War materials which can be readily identified as having been acquired during the war in any way by the Germans, from any United Nations, will be restored, providing however, that

material susceptible only of warlike use shall be restored only when it can be identified as having been captured from the armed forces of any United Nation.

- (3) Any enemy material, apparently previously belonging to any of the United Nations as defined above will be segregated and reported to this head-quarters. Particular attention is requested in this theatre to material of Russian, Czechoslovak or French origin.

e. Enemy material required by the London Munitions Lend-Lease Board. There still exists outstanding requirements of the London Munitions Lend-Lease Board to meet global demands for enemy material. A list of these requirements is contained in this head-quarters letter AG 386.3/163 S/P-0 of 23 September 1945, as amended. A copy of the required items is attached at Appendix 1A for reference. Reports of availabilities of this material will be made in accordance with the latter under reference.

f. Enemy material required for research - A search list of enemy material required for research in U.K. and U.S. has been supplied to major commands and items on this list are still required by Technical Intelligence. This material when found, is regarded as Category 1.

g. German Naval Equipment - All material appertaining to ships and vessels of the German Navy (including armament, ammunition and supplies) which must be handed over to the power receiving the ships and vessels, will be safeguarded and reverted through naval channels.

h. War Factories and War Factory Production - The policies contained in letter, this head-quarters, file AG 386.3/837 C/P-0 dated 2 August 1945, subject: "Policy on Italian Munitions Production" will apply.

i. Remaining Surplus Material - All enemy material surplus to the requirements contained in a and g above will be disposed of in the manner indicated in the following sections of this letter.

With the exception of vehicles - see paragraph 9 g below - if material is surplus within any one particular command, it will be assumed to be surplus to theatre requirements, unless notification received to the contrary, and will be disposed of indicated.

9. METHODS OF DISPOSAL.

a. Enemy material suitable for use in the civil rehabilitation of the country - In order that the maximum use may be made of surplus enemy material in its present form, all such material having a value in the civil rehabilitation of a country will be made available immediately for disposal to the government of that country as follows:

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- (1) In ITALY (less Venezia Giulia) - To the Ministry of Transportation through the Allied Commission to ITALY.
- (2) In VENETIA GIULIA - To Allied Military Government XIII Corps.
- (3) In AUSTRIA - To British Troops in Austria (Military Government Staff) and later to Allied Commission to Austria when responsibility for civil supply passes to them from Military Government Staff.
- (4) In other countries - To the respective Governments through the Allied Military agency in that country.

b. Captured Civilian Material.

Captured material which is apparently of a civil character and surplus to known military requirements will be disposed of as in a above. The Governments or Allied Military Government of the country will be responsible for investigating and settling claims to ownership.

c. Enemy material unsuitable for civil use (excluding ammunition).

All enemy material surplus to known requirements and having no value in its present form, in the civil rehabilitation of the country will be disposed of by being rendered innocuous, reduced to scrap and disposed of by the normal Allied Salvage organization. As far as possible, and in order to reduce transportation commitments, the material will be reduced to scrap in situ. Salvage organizations will arrange for the disposition of the material through normal channels to the Government or Allied Military Government concerned, from the location where the material is reduced to scrap. It will be the responsibility of the command concerned to ensure that all enemy material is rendered of no further military value, in its existing form, before it is made available for disposal as scrap.

d. Chemical Warfare Equipment and Toxic Material.

(1) All defensive chemical warfare equipment which may have a value in the civil rehabilitation of the country will be disposed of as in 9a above. All other defensive chemical warfare equipment will be reduced to scrap.

(2) All chemical warfare ammunition will be destroyed by dumping at sea. Dumping will take place at least 20 miles from the shore, in at least 250 fathoms of water and away from shipping routes, fishing grounds and submarine cables. The provisions of AFHQ Operation Memorandum Number 17 and of AFHQ Administrative Memoranda Numbers 14, 15 and 33 will be adhered to in connection with all movement of toxic material. ~~NY~~ ~~NY~~ ~~NY~~

(3) Any PHOSGENE or DIPHOSGENE (Valuable materials for dyestuffs manufacture) in bulk will be released to the Government or Allied Military Government of the country in which it is found, for use only by reputable concerns whose plant can be subjected to suitable control, or such materials will be dumped at sea under conditions laid down in paragraph (2).

(4) Any other bulk toxic material will be treated as in paragraph (2) unless its transportation is considered dangerous, in which case it will be rendered innocuous by methods approved by the chemical warfare advisers.

(5) Further instructions will be issued by Chemical Warfare Staffs.

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- (2) The location and quantities of all enemy ammunition, larger than 20 mm calibre, will be made known to the Government or Allied Military Government of the country concerned by the Command in whose area the material is located, through the Allied Commission or similar Allied agency. The Government or Allied Military Government of the country will then become totally responsible for the ammunition and will make the necessary arrangements with civilian firms, for the breaking down of the ammunition into its component parts. The Allied agency will be responsible for ensuring that the resultant products from the breaking down process, are not employed in the production of further armaments by the Governments of the

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- (3) Nothing in these instructions is to be regarded in any way as restricting the authority of addressees to dispose of ammunition, in any quantity, or in any manner considered suitable, which is in a dangerous condition, or constitutes a hazard to the civil or military security.

f. Animals - Any animals surplus to known military requirements will be reported to this headquarters and disposal instructions awaited.

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- (1) All captured enemy vehicles will be used to the fullest possible extent in order to save Allied transport. However practicable, however, such vehicles will not be issued without workshop inspection, and never without "D" numbers and full registration.

- (2) The issue of enemy vehicles to existing Allied Units will be permitted only in cases where such units have deficiencies in their TE's (V.E.'s), except within the powers delegated to commands to issue vehicles in excess of T.E. (V.E.).

- (3) Vehicles of Italian military origin, if surplus to Allied requirements, will be returned to the appropriate Italian Army authorities through the Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (MIA) under the terms of paragraph 8 c above. All other captured Italian vehicles, if surplus to requirements, will be returned to the Italian Government, through Allied Commission, under the terms of paragraph 9 a (1) above. Italian military vehicles can usually be identified by two stars to be found on the engine. If doubt arises as to whether a vehicle of Italian make is a civilian or military vehicle, such vehicle will be turned over to MIA who will determine the ownership and subsequent allocation in conjunction with Allied Commission. Every effort will be made to hand over all vehicles of Italian make to the appropriate Italian authorities at the earliest possible date. Every effort will be made to hand over to MIA all stocks of spare parts including tyres for Italian military vehicles which are marked with two stars, or are otherwise identifiable as having been the property of the Italian Ministry of War. Stocks of spares for Italian

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- (4) Vehicles of other United Nations origin will be disposed of as in paragraph 8 d above.
- (5) All other vehicles if surplus to the requirements of any particular command (including in Military Government areas requirements for civil relief to the extent needed to prevent disease and unrest) will be reported as surplus to this headquarters and disposal instructions awaited. If vehicles are surplus to theatre requirements they will be disposed of as in paragraph 9 a above.

- (6) All non runners, unless earmarked for any other particular purpose, will be made available to and handed over immediately to the Government or Allied Military Government of the country under the terms of 5 a above for removal by the civil population of that country.

10. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS IN ITALY, GERMANY AND OTHERS.

Arrangements for the disposal of surplus army material in ITALY, GERMANY and OTHERS will be made to suit the locally existing conditions of these countries provided the policies established in paragraph 8 above are complied with at all times.

11. RECORDS

In order that any financial adjustments may be completed at a subsequent date records of all issues and receipts and material reduced to scrap will be maintained. Salvage organisations will record quantities and nature of surplus disposed of through normal salvage disposal channels. Copies of all records of transactions will be forwarded to 9 (AR/AMH), through service channels, for maintenance, of the records.

12. REPORTS

a. Addressees will render reports, as called for by this directive as at 15th each month (commencing with 15 October 1945) to reach this Headquarters by the 28th of the same month. No other monthly reports other than those shown below are required:

- (1) Material of other United Nations origin giving description of type, quantity, serviceability and location.
- (2) Requirements of German Munitions Assignment Board in accordance with paragraph 8 a above.
- (3) Material of Italian origin and surplus to command requirements as defined in paragraph 8 a above.
- (4) Vehicles surplus to the requirements of the command in accordance with 9 2 (5) above.

Reports will give:

Numbers
Type, etc.
Classification of serviceability.

In the case that this directive is contrary to, or at variance with,

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BY COMMAND OF THE ACTING SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER

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C.W. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGO
Adjutant General

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Subject:- Salva and Scrap.

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

7/15

10 October, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.



Reference M.M.I.A. letter 7/8 of 19th September, 1945.

Since control of boots, clothing and equipment for ITI-ITIS has passed to you, it is pointed out that the disposal of any salvage from ITI stocks or from articles purchased from the Allies is a matter for your own decision and arrangement.

A. M. Newell, M. J.
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:-

ALL M.M.I.A. L.Os.
Industry & Commerce Sub Commission A.C.

AMN/rem

50.3 Dist.
Capt. C. O'Donnell
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SUBJECT: Disposal of ammunition

MMIA LO
5 OCT 1945
File
HQ 3 District.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) - ROME
Q/95

14 October, 1945.

Cancelled
see folio 44.

TO: ALL MMIA LO's

1. There seems to be still some doubt amongst Liaison Officer as to the responsibility and correct procedure to be adopted for the disposal of ammunition.
2. This procedure is clearly laid down in AFHQ directive AG 386.3/163 LOG - O of 22 June 1945, para 6 (c) and 9 (f) copy of which was forwarded to all Liaison Officers in our Q/95 of 11 July 1945.
3. In order to ensure that all Liaison Officers are fully informed on this subject a further copy of AFHQ, letter is attached as well as a copy of our Q/23/14 of 23 July 45 which gives our interpretation of "small quantities" of ammunition.

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Major General
M.M.I.A.

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MMIA LO
5 OCT 1945
PLS
HQ 3 District

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 386.3/163 LOG-O

22 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY.

TO: Commanding Generals,
15th Army Group, APO 777
Fifth Army, APO 464
Peninsular Base Section, APO 782
Headquarters, Eighth Army
General Officer Commanding, No.1 District
General Officer Commanding, No.2 District
General Officer Commanding, No.3 District

Received by 15th Army

1. OBJECT OF THIS DIRECTIVE - The object of this directive is to indicate the manner of dealing with captured and/or surrendered enemy war material in ITALY. The following pertinent letters, this headquarters, are hereby rescinded:

AG 386.3/163 LOG-O, dated 22 April 1945, subject as above
AG 386.3/163 LOG-O, dated 2 May 1945, subject as above
AG 386.3/163 GCT-O, dated 13 May 1945, subject as above
AG 386.3/163 GCT-O, dated 9 June 1945, subject as above.

2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTROL, ALLOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF ENEMY MATERIAL.

- The control of all enemy material in this theater is vested in the Supreme Allied Commander.
- The allocation, use and disposal of enemy material (either captured in the course of operations or as a result of enemy disarmament following a surrender) is a responsibility of command, which will be exercised in accordance with the provisions of this directive.

3. DEFINITIONS

- Captured or Surrendered Enemy War Material - (hereinafter referred to as enemy material) includes any material of whatever nature and wherever situated, intended for war on land, in the air, or on the sea, or which is, or may be, or has been at any time in use by, or intended for use by, the armed forces, civil defense or other formations or organizations under the control or influence of the German Government, German authorities

15th Army Group, APO 777

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Headquarters, Eighth Army

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- b. Withdrawal Authority is the military authority in whom power to authorize withdrawals is vested.

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4. PRINCIPLES TO BE APPLIED

- a. Allied Naval, Ground and Air Forces Responsibilities - Enemy Naval and Air Forces materail will be dealt with and the necessary reports and returns made by the Allied Naval and Air Forces respectively, subject to such convenient adjustments as may be necessary to deal with cases where the enemy Naval and Air Services do not correspond in their scope with the Allied Naval and Air Services. Enemy Ground Forces materail will be dealt with by the Allied Ground Forces and coordination, where necessary, between the Allied Naval, Ground and Air Forces will be effected by the Ground Forces Commanders. The latter in the appropriate cases, must be prepared to assist Allied Naval and Air Forces Commanders in the location and guarding of materail peculiar to the enemy Naval and Air Forces. Common user items will normally be the responsibility of the Allied Ground Forces.

5. Allied Ground Forces Staff and Service Responsibilities for safeguarding and control - The responsibility for the taking over (or the collection where necessary) and the safeguarding of all enemy Ground Forces war material is placed upon the Commanding Generals of Fifth and Eighth Armies, Headquarters 1 and 2 Districts, and Commanding General Peninsular Base Section in their respective areas. This responsibility will be exercised through the normal Allied Staff and technical service channels appropriate to type of material concerned. It is desired that the arrangements made by Armies be such that continuity of management when headquarters of 1 and 2 Districts and Peninsular Base Section take over Armies' areas in Northern Italy.

5. CONTROLLING AUTHORITIES AT AFHQ - The control of enemy materials will be exercised by AFHQ through normal command and technical channels appropriate to the material concerned.

6. CLASSIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL -

a. Enemy Ground Forces war material will be classified into categories by the authorities designated below. Notes amplifying classification and withdrawals are at Appendix "I" to this directive.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	CLASSIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL AUTHORITY
1.	Material required for intelligence purposes and technical research	AFHQ
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b. Any war material not placed in categories 1 - 5 above will be known as uncategorised material, for which AFHQ will be the withdrawal authority.

c. The powers of classification and withdrawal will under go

7. REPORTS

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b. No special reports are required in connection with materiel which is not repairable. It should be rendered innocuous (where necessary) and turned over to Allied military salvage organisations.

c. As of the 15th of each month (commencing with 15 June 1945) to reach this headquarters by the 28th of the same month addressees will report the following information in respect of all captured general purpose (B) vehicles showing vehicles of Italian make separately.

- (1) Numbers and types organised into car/truck companies, held by units within establishments, or otherwise.
- (2) Numbers and types handed over to other agencies.
- (3) Numbers and types awaiting issue.
- (4) Numbers and types awaiting repair.

8. PRIORITIES FOR TAKING OVER AND COLLECTION

a. Material will be taken over (or collected where necessary) in the following order:

- (1) Category 1.
- (2) Category 2.
- (3) Category 3.
- (4) Other categories and uncategorised material as convenient unless otherwise ordered by this headquarters.
- (5) Unserviceable material and scrap.

b. The order in which material in category 2 is to be taken over or collected will normally be as follows:

- (1) Vehicles which are serviceable or a source of spares.
- (2) Food, clothing and coal.
- (3) Animals.
- (4) Petrol, oil, lubricants (including containers therefor).
- (5) Signal Stores.
- (6) Medical, dental and veterinary stores, equipment and drugs.
- (7) Technical railway stores and equipment.
- (8) Docks and inland water transport, stores and equipment.
- (9) Engineer stores and equipment.
- (10) All other serviceable and repairable Ground Forces material.

9. POLICIES

a. Retention of materials by units or individuals - Retention by units or individuals of such materials unless properly authorised in accordance with this instruction and other pertinent directives is forbidden.

b. Use of material by Allied Commanders - Authority is granted for the maximum use to be made of enemy material required for the support of Allied Forces (including essential civil requirements) or for the maintenance of enemy forces.

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c. Recaptured material of Italian Military Origin - Recaptured material of Italian Military origin which is not required for military purposes including maintenance of POW will be turned over immediately to the Italian Military authorities for Italian maintenance. Such material may also be used by Italian troops in support of operations. The channel of transaction in material of Italian origin which is to be returned to the Italian military authorities will be MMIA. Receipt for material so handed over will be taken by the issuing Allied Services and forwarded to this headquarters through normal channels. All remaining recaptured Italian war material will be reported to AFHQ and disposal instructions awaited.

d. War material of US, British, Russian, or French Origin

(1) It will be the policy for material of US or British origin recovered from the enemy by recapture or surrender to be turned over to the American or British services normally responsible for the class of material concerned.

(2) It will be the policy to return to the Russian and French authorities all material which was formally the property of the Russian and French Governments. Pending further instructions all material that is apparently of Russian and French ownership will be segregated and reported to this HQ.

e. War Factories and War Factory Production - The policies contained in letter, this headquarters, File AG 388.3/087 GEG-0, dated 11 Feb 1945, subject: "Policy on Italian Munitions Production" will apply.

f. Ammunition

(1) Attention is drawn to current instructions on the handling of enemy ammunition.

(2) Ammunition of German manufacture if in category 3 and in original containers will be centralized in a few selected parks under arrangements to be made by the addressees. German transport and personnel will be used for this purpose under Allied supervision.

(3) Small quantities of loose ammunition in unguarded dumps which constitute a hazard to life or property will, under arrangements to be made by MMIA, be reported by Carabinieri to the Italian Ministry of War. MMIA will authorize the destruction by the Italian Ministry of War without reference to this headquarters of all such small quantities of German or Italian ammunition. Explosives will, if not available in the dumps, be demanded by MMIA from Armies, Districts, or Base Section.

(4) Small Dumps of German and Italian ammunition (other than that in Category 3 in original containers) of 500 tons or less will be destroyed by the most suitable means by German personnel under Allied supervision. German technical units may be formed for this purpose. If practicable the brass will be recovered and be returned through Allied Army Salvage organizations.

(5) Larger Dumps of German and Italian ammunition in excess of 500 tons will be placed under guard, their contents reported and disposal instructions awaited.

(6) Nothing in these instructions is to be regarded in any way as restricting the authority of addressees to destroy ammunition in any quantity which is in a dangerous condition or constitutes a hazard to internal security, utilizing German personnel, under Allied supervision, for the work.

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(1) It is expected that a large proportion of enemy-held animals will disappear before Allied control becomes effective. The remainder will be classified and where possible Vallerin-tested and Preston-branded from numbers allotted to Armies by this headquarters.

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- (4) The remainder will be handed over on temporary loan to civil authorities by AMG who will obtain receipts.

h. War Material alienated by the Enemy - Any alienation of war material by the enemy, out of the ordinary course of army administration (for example, materials which may have been sold to the civilians in anticipation of surrender) entered into within three months before the date of surrender shall be provisionally regarded as voidable, and, if required, the material so alienated will be summarily recovered.

- (i) Repairs to Enemy Material - Except on instructions from this HQ, no attempt will be made to repair enemy material other than that categorised in Categories 1 and 2, but category 3 material will be preserved to the extent of being put in grease and under cover where appropriate. With the exception of Category 1, enemy material may be modified as required for abnormal uses.

j. Passenger and Load-Carrying Vehicles

- (1) To allow for the maintenance of enemy forces and in order to save Allied transport, car and truck companies of German make, by types, will be formed. Whenever practicable, however, such vehicles will not be issued without workshop inspection and never without WD numbers and full registration.
- (2) The issue of enemy vehicles to existing Allied units will be permitted only in cases where such units have deficiencies in their TEs (WEs).
- (3) Italian Army vehicles captured after the armistice with Italy will be dealt with in accordance with Section II, AFHQ Circular Number 5, 1945, and returned to the appropriate Italian authorities through MIA. All other captured Italian vehicles whether requisitioned or not will be turned over to Allied Commission. Italian vehicles are defined as vehicles of Italian make. Italian military vehicles can usually be identified by the R-E on the dashboard or instrument panel. If doubt arises as to whether a vehicle of Italian make is a civilian or military vehicle, such vehicle will be turned over to MIA who will determine the ownership and subsequent allocation in conjunction with Allied Commission. Receipts for all vehicles handed over to Allied Commission or MIA will be obtained. As the retention of vehicles of Italian make against deficiencies in unit establishments is, at present, authorized, the ultimate hand-over to Allied Commission or MIA of such vehicles may be postponed until further orders are issued by this headquarters. Every effort will be made to hand-over to MIA all stocks of spare parts including tyres for Italian military vehicles which are marked with R-E or are otherwise identifiable as having been the property of the Italian Ministry of War. Stocks of spares for Italian civilian vehicles will similarly be handed over to Allied Commission or in doubtful cases to MIA. Sufficient spares may be retained for such Italian vehicles as are held against deficiencies in unit establishments. Addressees will not normally be responsible for repairing vehicles of Italian make before they are handed over to Allied Commission or MIA. The responsibility for insuring the proper registration of, and the provision of drivers for all vehicles handed over to them will be that of Allied Commission or MIA as the case may be.

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1. (Salvage Scrap) - Unrepairable enemy ground forces war material for which there is no further use, will be regarded as salvage (scrap) and will be dealt with in accordance with existing procedures.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

(Sgd) EDMUND R. SHUGART
Colonel, AGC
Asst Adjutant General.

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- 1.- Appendix "A" - Notes on classification and withdrawal of enemy war material
- 2.- Appendix "B" - List of Category 3 material.

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APPENDIX "A" to
letter, AFHQ, AG 386.3/163
LOC-C, dtd 22 June 1945.

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NOTES ON CLASSIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF EXISTING MATERIAL.

1. CATEGORY 1 MATERIAL. AFHQ will be responsible for indicating to addressees (by means of a list or through liaison officers) what material is to be placed in Category 1 and where it is to be consigned. Material thus placed in Category 1 is not available for any purpose. AFHQ is responsible for maintaining records of all material withdrawn under their authority.
2. CATEGORY 2 MATERIAL. Addressees, subject only to limitation in 1 above, will place any material which they need or likely to need in Category 2. They will maintain simple records of all Category 2 material which they authorize to be withdrawn (e.g. copies of the documents authorizing depots to make issue). Addressees will not prepare consolidated returns of material thus used until ordered by this HQ.
3. CATEGORY 3 MATERIAL. A list of Category 3 material which may be required for the FAR EAST is attached at Appendix "B". Addressees will locate such material and report the quantities held to this headquarters. Such inventories must be accurate and the material so reported must be frozen. AFHQ will declare how much of this material is to be placed in Category 3. AFHQ will be responsible for issuing disposal instructions and maintaining the records of withdrawals of Category 3 material.
4. CATEGORY 4 MATERIAL. If the policy in connection with the equipping of liberated armies is enunciated during the period this headquarters, will issue a list of material that might be required under Category 4. The procedures will then be as for Category 3 material in paragraph 3 above.
5. CATEGORY 5 MATERIAL.
 - a. Material which must be destroyed for any reason e.g. perished foodstuffs, dangerous ammunition, will be placed in Category 5 by the addressees and destroyed. Simple records in broad terms of material which has been thus destroyed should be maintained by the addressees (e.g. a copy of the authorization to destroy the material). No returns of such destructions are required from the addressees until ordered by this headquarters.
 - b. All stocks of Toxic Gases will be placed in Category 5 and if practicable segregated under normal safety precautions. The approximate tonnages by types of fillings and locations will be reported to this HQ, which will then give disposal instructions. Isolated stocks of less than 100 tons may be destroyed by any suitable means if such destruction will help to reduce guarding, transportation, or any other problem.

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APPENDIX "B" to letter
AFHQ, AG 386.5/163 LOG-
dated 22 June 1945.

LIST OF CATEGORY 3 MATERIAL.

Serial 1 PISTOLS

9mm Pistols (Luger and Walther automatics)

27mm Signal Pistols (unrifled)

Serial 2 RIFLES

7.92mm (bolt operated)

7.92mm (Gewehr 41 (W) and 41 (K) (self loading rifles)

7.92mm Snipers rifle

Serial 3 MACHINE GUNS

7.92mm L.M.G.34

Serial 4 AMMUNITION

All ammunition to fit weapons in Serial 1 - 3 above.

Serial 5 BINOCULARS

All types

Serial 6 TRACTORS

German Sd. Kfz 11 Zgkw 3-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 3 t. Leichter)

German Sd. Kfz 7 Zgkw 8-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 8 t. mittlerer)

German Sd. Kfz 9 Zgkw 18-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 18 t. schwerer)

Serial 7 GENERATORS

Generators Diesel Engine driven

50 K.V. 220 and 240 volt.

7.92mm (bolt operated)
7.92mm (Gewehr 41 (W) and 41 (H) (self loading rifles)
7.92mm Snipers rifle

Serial 3 MACHINE GUNS
7.92mm L.M.G.34

Serial 4 AMMUNITION
All ammunition to fit weapons in Serial 1 - 3 above.

Serial 5 PERISCOPE
all types

Serial 6 TRACTORS
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German Sd. Kfz 7 Zgkw 8-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 8 t. mittlerer)
German Sd. Kfz 9 Zgkw 18-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 18 t. schwerer)

Serial 7 GENERATORS
Generators Diesel Engine driven
30 K.V., 220 and 240 volt.

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JOINT FORCES SUB COMMISSION
I.S. (M.V. I.A.)
P.O.M.E.
2/25/44
23 July 1945

SUBJECT: Disposal of Ammunition

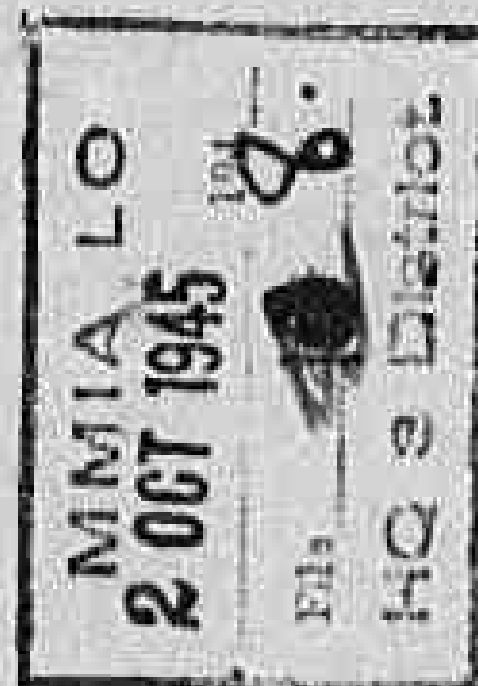
TO : MMIA I/O's

MMIA LO
5 OCT 1945
File 8
HQ 3 District

1. Reference AFHQ letter #386,3/103 D.C. of 24 May 1945, subject, "Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in Italy" and further to this headquarters letter 6/25 of 7 July 1945, subject "Ammunition Disposal".
2. The responsibility of the Italian Army for the destruction of German and Italian ammunition should not be overestimated. Reliance on the Italian Army alone in technicians, technical equipment and transportation facilities, to accomplish the destruction of more than small quantities of ammunition may have disastrous results in terms of property damaged and lives lost.
3. The Italian Army is authorized by Allied Force Headquarters to accomplish the destruction only of "small quantities of loose ammunition in unguarded dumps which constitute a hazard to life or property." As a general rule, the phrase "small quantities" of ammunition should be interpreted to mean such quantities of ammunition as would have been abandoned by individual soldiers or units of squad size. Battery and Company ammunition supply dumps may usually be presumed to fall within the "small dumps" category for which the Allies are responsible through the use of German technical demolition units. All such "small dumps" should be immediately reported to the pertinent Army headquarters for destruction. Liaison Officers must not accept responsibility for the destruction of such small dumps on behalf of the Italian Army.

JOHN F. WARD, 1st Lt.
For Colonel, DPMO
M.V.I.A.

Subject: Engineer and Signal Property



Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/15

October 1945

To : Minister for War

Reference MMIA ltr Q/15 of 13 September 1945 and
War Ministry ltr, 220931/II of 28 Sep 1945.
220-16-17

1. Control over all ITI-ITI Signal and Engineer property and all Signal and Engineer depots and all items therein are released to your control with effect 2400A hours, 2 October 1945 under the following conditions to which you have agreed:
 - a. That no permanent line routes will be constructed by the Italian Army without coordination with the Italian Ministry of Communication.
 - b. That no telephone or telegraph line will be constructed by the Italian Army where the facilities required can be obtained from a civilian telephone or telegraph company operating in the area. This does not apply to internal communication systems within camp, etc, which will continue to be set up as required by you.
 - c. Engineer and Signal equipment where necessary will be supplied to Italian units operating under Allied Command. (All such demands will be screened by MMIA before stores are issued.)
 - d. Information as to the state of stocks and resources of the Italian Army will be furnished MMIA on demand.
 - e. Representatives of MMIA will be permitted to visit, inventory and inspect any and all Italian depots as desired, and MMIA will be kept fully advised of the location of such depots.
2. This letter does not authorize any increase of personnel for any of the above installations, nor any additional installations.
3. It must be understood that as from the date specified, the Allied Armies will not make available any further Signal or Engineer equipment for the Italian Army, except such

*803 Dist-
Ltr C. O'Donnell*

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2. This letter does not authorize any increase of personnel for any of the above installations, nor any additional installations.
3. It must be understood that as from the date specified, the Allied Armies will not make available any further Signal or Engineer equipment for the Italian Army, except such supplies as may be advised from time to time, the quantity of such supplies being considered as relatively small.
4. As from the date specified, all requisitions and releases will be handled by you without reference to MMIA, all stock status and reports now required to be submitted to MMIA on a periodic basis will cease, and all pertinent records now on hand in MMIA will be turned over to you. Thereafter the operation, issue, control and accounting for supplies will be in your hands.
5. Where Allied items are handed over, the present procedure will continue, i.e., acceptance notes will be handled by our liaison officer on the spot.

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6. Any authorizations or allotments made by MMIA prior to 2 October 1945 must be filled by the ITI-ITI depots as under present procedure.

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

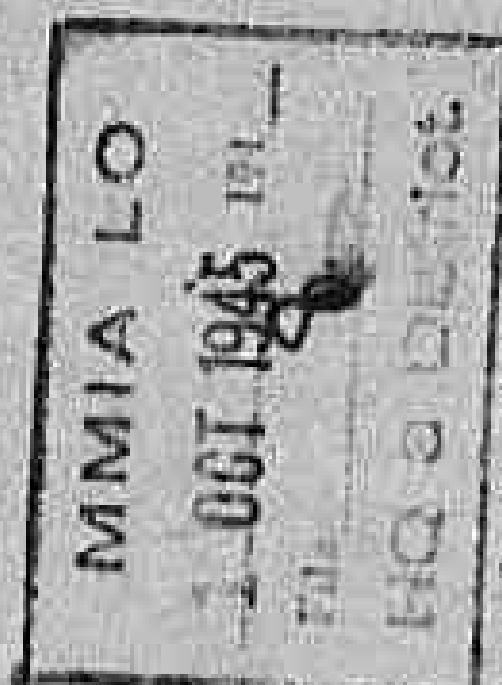
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SUBJECT: Clothing, Equipment, Arms, Ammunition.



LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION.

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

R O M E

Q/8

19 September 1945.

TO : Minister for War. (4)

Reference: MMIA letter Q/8 of 11 Sept 1945, above subject.

War Ministry letter file V.E.O.C. of 15 Sept. 22363/VO

1. Control over all IMI-IMI clothing and equipment, and arms and ammunition depots, and all items therein, including those provided by the Allies, are released to your control, with effect 2400A hours, 30 Sept. 1945, under the following conditions, to which you have agreed:

a. Clothing and equipment for the Guard Battalions under Allied Command will be supplied as necessary within the authorized scale from resources under your control.

b. Arms and ammunition according to approved scale will continue to be supplied by you from resources under your control for all ER-IMI and US-IMI troops and for Guard Battalions under Allied Command.

a. All Allied outer clothing now in your warehouses, and all additional like items furnished by the Allies, will be dyed green by you before issue to individuals for wear.

a. Information as to the state of stocks and resources of the Italian Army will be furnished MMIA on demand.

e. Representatives of MMIA will be permitted to visit, inventory and inspect any and all Italian depots, as desired, and MMIA will be kept fully advised of the location of such depots.

2. a. The clothing and equipment depots mentioned in Par. 1 Include:

Clothing and equipment depots
Repair shops, clothing and boots
Sorting depots
Bulk barrack stores depots

see file 12 94
see file 12 94

see file 12 94

Reference: MIA letter Q/8 of 11 Sept 1945, above
subject.
War Ministry letter file V.I.C.C. of 15 Sept.
22563/VC

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 - d. Information as to the state of stocks and resources of the Italian Army will be furnished MIA on demand.
 - e. Representatives of MIA will be permitted to visit, inventory and inspect any and all Italian depots as desired, and MIA will be kept fully advised of the location of such depots.
 2. a. The clothing and equipment depots mentioned in Par. 1 include:
 - Clothing and equipment depots
 - Repair shops, clothing and boots
 - Sorting depots
 - Bulk barrack stores depots
 - Salvage depots.
 - b. This letter does not authorize any increase in personnel for any of the above installations, nor any additional installations.
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3. a. The clothing and equipment of the entire present ITI-ITI Category (including CC.RR), plus any increase thereto which may be authorized, must be accomplished from:

Page Two.

- (1) Present stocks (including some captured material secured from the Allies) in your warehouses. After the date when control passes to you, none of this stock will be demanded for BR-ITI or US-ITI troops, who will be clothed and equipped by the British or US Army.
- (2) Such additional Allied items (including captured materials) as may be made available to you (see Par 5 below). It is believed that relatively small quantities of these items will be available.
- (3) Items manufactured in Italy under Italian Government control, either from raw materials available in Italy or raw materials provided under the civilian import program.
 - b. It must be understood that as from the date specified, the Allied Armies will not make available any further clothing to the ITI-ITI Category, except as shown in Sub-para (2) above.
4. On the date specified, all Allied personnel now in your depots will be withdrawn, all requisitions and releases will be handled by you without reference to NMIA, all stock states and reports now required to be submitted to NMIA on a periodic basis will cease, and all pertinent records now on hand in NMIA will be turned over to you. Thereafter the operation, issue, control and accounting for supplies will be in your hands.
5. Where Allied items are handed over in accordance with Par 3a (2) above, the present procedure will continue, ie, acceptance notes will be handled by our liaison officer on the spot.
6. ITI-ITI Guard Battalions under British Command and some other ITI-ITI Units have in the past been authorized to draw clothing and equipment from BR-ITI Clothing Depots of the Administrative Divisions. As of 1 October 1945, no further requisitions will be handled by BR-ITI Administrative Divisions for these battalions, which will submit their requisitions to ITI-ITI depots as directed by you.
7. Any authorizations or allotments made by NMIA prior to 30 Sept 1945 must be filled by the ITI-ITI Depots as under present procedure.

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CLAYTON P. KLRR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission.

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MMIA LO
27 SEP 1945
File
HQ 3 DUGA

Land Forces District
Major G. P. Hall
WPM *39*

Subject:- Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
(M. A. I. A.) ROME.

17 September, 1945.

To:- ALL M.M.I.A. D.Cs.
Navy Sub-Commission.
Air Force Sub-Commission.

Reference this H.Q. letter Q/95 dated 16 July 45, enclosing A.F.H.Q. directive reference AG 386.3/163 LOG-O dated 22 Jun 45.

Appended below is amendment to above directive.

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

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Reference:- AG 386.3/163 LOG-O

14 September, 1945.

SUBJECT:- Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in Italy.

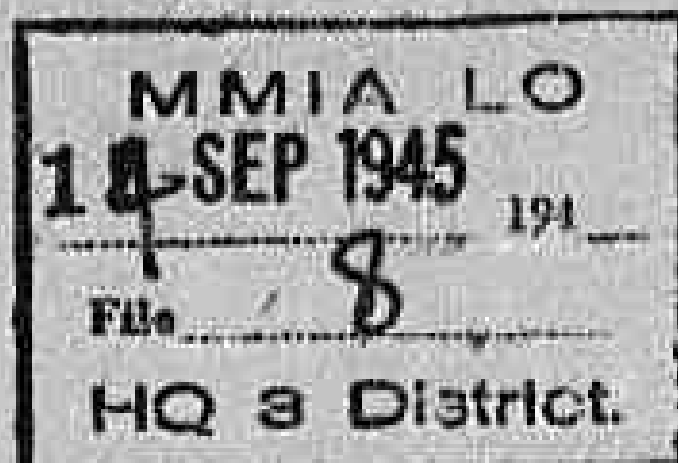
A.F.H.Q. letter, file and subject as above dated 22 June 1945, is amended by deleting the last sentence of paragraph 2 c and inserting the following:

"All remaining recaptured Italian war material will be reported to AFHQ and disposal instructions awaited, except that in the case of Naval and Air Force material when the instructions of the Navy or Air Force Sub-Commission or Allied Commission, acting on behalf of the Allied Naval and Air Force Commanders, may be accepted".

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

(signed) R.A. STURGEY
Captain, AGO
Joint Assistant Secretary

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L.O. 3 Dist.
Major G. P. Holt.

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Subject:- Return of Equipment and Supplies to Italian Government.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(L. F. S. C.)

9/10 September, 1945.

To:- Ministry of War

Attached is a copy of A.P.M. Administrative Memorandum number 40 for your information.

[Signature]
P.A. SUPPLIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:-

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 40)

8 September, 1945.

RETURN OF EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT.

1. Articles, stores, supplies, vehicles and other equipment that have been requisitioned from Italian sources will be returned, when no further need exists, to the Italian Government, in accordance with policies and procedures set forth herein.
2. The units holding such articles, stores, supplies, vehicles or equipment will comply with directives of services normally responsible for such items, in obtaining authority and instructions for making dispositions.
3. (a) When it is established that there is no further need for the items, arrangements will be made by Areas/Base Sections for them to be delivered to the Collection Centres established by the Italian Direzione Lavori del Genio Militare at Italian Territorial Military Commands which are established at:

CAGLIARI (SARDINIA)	BOLOGNA	LEGHORN
PALESTRO (SICILY)	GENOA	
BARI	TURIN	
NAPLES	MILAN	
ROME	TREVISO	
NICE-CE	BOLZANO	

- (b) Motor vehicles will be delivered to the Ispettorati Compartimentali della Motorizzazione Civile in the following cities:

CAGLIARI (SARDINIA)	GENOA
PALESTRO (SICILY)	TURIN
BARI	MILAN
ROME	BOLZANO
NAPLES	FRESCIA
STOPICE	VERONA
BOLOGNA	CATANZARO
ANCONA	LEGHORN

4. A receipt will be obtained from the Italian Direzione Lavori del Genio Militare/Ispettorati Compartimentali della Motorizzazione Civile for each item returned. The Italian Direzione Lavori del Genio Militare/Ispettorati Compartimentali della Motorizzazione Civile will be furnished with full particulars concerning the items returned, including the name or names of the person from whom requisitioned, together with a statement as to the status of any payments. Statements as to payments should include information as to any invoices or unpaid requisitions presented by vendor and forwarded to the Italian Government for payment.

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5. Instances have occurred of units returning requisitioned items to the person from whom they were requisitioned. This practice is irregular and will be discontinued. The unit remains accountable for the item and there is a possibility of the owner receiving total value payment in addition to the returned item. Units that have made such returns prior to issue of this memorandum will immediately report full facts to formation, area, or base section headquarters, so that status of the item may be regularised.
6. Receipts will be obtained and records maintained and distributed in accordance with directives of the respective services (U.S. and British).
7. Allied Commission will be responsible for maintaining a central record of the reports made by the services as to the items or the value of the items returned to the Italian agencies.
8. When requisitioned items which are no longer required, are installed in factories or other premises which are about to be derequisitioned, and such items are not a part thereof, they will be disposed of in accordance with policies herein either by:
 - (a) Removal to Collection Centres.
 - (b) Leaving on premise, with notification to Comando Genio Militare and Italian Direzione Lavori del Genio Militare/Ispettorati Compartimentali della Motorizzazione Civile at the time the premises are derequisitioned.
9. This Administrative Memorandum does not apply to real estate.

BY ORDER OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER.

(signed) C.W. Christenberry.

C.W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.

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13 SEP 1945	194
File	8
HQ 3 District.	

Subject :- Carriage of Civilians - W.D. TRANSPORT.

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E.
A 261 // ¹⁴ Sept 45.

TO : - "F" B.L.T.U.
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All M.M.I.A. LO's.

A.F.H.Q have informed this H.Q, that in view of the difficulty that would be experienced in attempting to enforce GRO 345/45 where the Italian Army is concerned, it has been decided that it is not practicable to apply this GRO to Italian Units.

Wm
for *Major*
5. C. "A"
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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MMIA LC
3 - SEP 1945
HQ 3 Dist

UNCLASSIFIED.

SUBJECT : Status of Neo-Fascist Personnel.

TO : Ministry of War.

Reference MMIA A 107 of 18 August.

1. It is regretted that letter file AC/4076/2/L of 12 June was inadvertently attached to our above letter of 18 August instead of AC/4076/2/L of 11 August.
2. A copy of the letter of 11 August is attached hereto.

COPY TO : ALL MMIA LO's.
AC(CAS)
AFHQ (G5)
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2 DISTRICT.
3 DISTRICT.
13 CORPS.

Major General,
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AFG 394

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

AC/4076/2/L.

SUBJECT : Detention of neo-fascist personnel.

TO : See distribution.

11 August 45.

1. This directive is issued to clarify the status of neo-fascists personnel who are now in custody in Italian prisons in AMG territory.

2. Certain regions are understood to desire the release without qualification of some or all neo-fascist personnel now held in custody against whom it is not intended to bring any criminal charge.

Other regions desire that for reasons either of security or public safety neo-fascist personnel now held in custody should remain in custody.

3. Subject to para. 4 below, it is entirely a matter for the discretion of Regional Commissioners, to be decided upon consideration of local circumstances whether such personnel should be released or further detained, or whether some should be released and some retained.

4. So far as concerns the release of neo-fascist personnel who may have been returned to Italian custody from Allied custody it is the declared policy of Combined Chiefs of Staff that no neo-fascist who is or has been in Allied custody should be set at liberty before all cooperator personnel have been released. This latter event has not occurred. This Commission has therefore requested the Italian Government to ensure that any neo-fascist personnel handed back to the Italians from Allied custody will, unless sentenced to death and executed, remain in Italian custody until after the release of all cooperator personnel by the Allies.

5. With the exception indicated in para. 4 above, all neo-fascist personnel whom it is desired to release may be set at liberty forthwith.

6. They should not be retained in a common jail but should be transferred to an internees camp. It is appreciated, however, that in many areas this will not be possible and in such areas personnel may be temporarily retained in common jails pending removal.

10/4076/2/L.

AFPO 324
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For your information, arrangements are now being discussed with AFHQ whereby a large internment camp at MODENA will, it is hoped, be made available for reception of all such personnel, and they may be retained in common jails until such internment camp is available.

For the Chief Commissioner.

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G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP. CA. Section.

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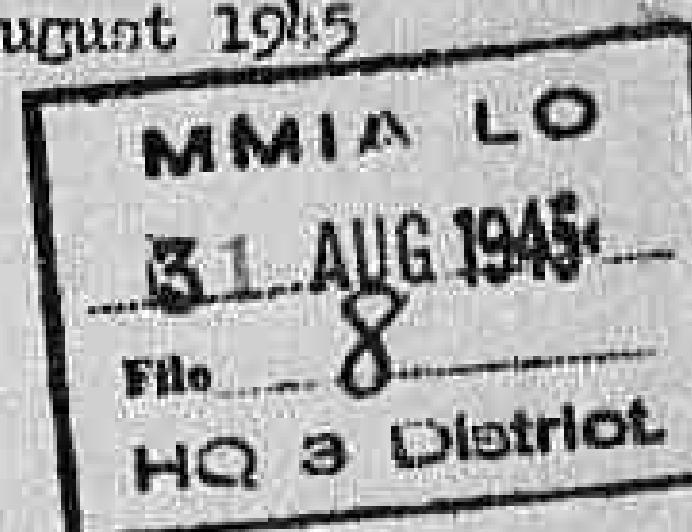
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AG 311.23/165-0

SUBJECT: Operation of Italian Radio Circuits.

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Subject: Prevention of Pilferage on Rail.

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TO ALL MMIA LO's

Copy of AFHQ letter AFHQ/5712/Q(Maint) dated 23 Aug 45 is appended below for your information, and necessary action.

F. J. Hoakes
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 - (b) Wagon vents and doors are not properly closed.
 - (c) Sealing and securing of wagons is carried out either imperfectly or not at all.
3. The checking of wagons in transit by Train Guards, the investigation of pilferage and establishment of "black spots" where thefts are usually prevalent, are all made more difficult as a result.
4. Services are asked to give closer attention to loadings in their installations and at railheads. Shortage of Acme Seals and Shackles wagon sealing should be reported to this Section.

Copy to: MIA
etc.

(sgd) P.R. HICKS Lt. Col.
for Brigadier Q(Maint)

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Subject: Commissione Recupero.

To:--

Ministry of War.

Reference is made to this Headquarters letter 0/5/10 of 6 July 45.

1. Since then the formation of the Recovery Units has been completed and they are at present located in the following Territorial Commands:

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The L.Os. are in a position to give the maximum support to the Italian personnel in any dispute which may arise with Allied officers but it is essential that such L.Os. are fully informed as to the nature of the activities of the various Recovery Units. In all cases where the Territorial Headquarters wishes action to be taken by the Recovery Unit the matter should be referred to the appropriate M.M.I.A. L.O. as detailed above.

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(Signature)
R.A. CURRIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
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SUBJECT: Status of Neo-Fascist Personnel.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
Tel: 489081 Ext. 533.
A 107

18 Aug 45

TO : Minister for War.

Reference your letter 115744/1/1 of 7 July, and
MMIA letter A107 of 25 July 1945, above subject.

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(c) High ranking officers (Colonels and Generals) have no special status by virtue of their rank. They are to be dealt with in the same way as all other personnel.

(1) Allied instructions are, and the instructions proposed by you should be made, applicable to Neo-Fascist personnel wherever located in ITALY.

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2. (e) Neo-Fascist personnel in Allied custody will not be accorded the status of prisoners of war except on express instructions of AFHQ. Therefore neo-fascist personnel in Italian custody should be treated in the same way, that is, not as prisoners of war (which is a preferred status).
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

AC/4076/2/L.

/rip.
12 June 1945.

SUBJECT : Prisoners of War.

TO : H.E. Minister of Justice, ROME.
H.E. Procuratore Militare Generale, ROME.

1. It is desired to bring to the notice of Your Excellencies a question which is creating some confusion in North Italy, namely the status of members of neo-fascist organizations who have been arrested by the Italian Authorities, but who claim to be prisoners of war. Members of neo-fascist organizations include all Italians who fought for the Republican Fascist Government since 8 Sept 1943, without restriction of time, place or organization.
2. Your Excellencies will be aware that in September 1944 the Italian Government agreed to treat all neo-fascists captured by the Allies in uniform and organized under the provisions of international law as prisoners of war in the same manner as German prisoners of war.
3. In making this agreement, the Italian Government desired to secure reciprocity of treatment from the Germans for all members of the armed forces of the Italian Government who might be captured by the Germans.
4. It occurs to this Commission that the effect of this agreement should be to preclude Italian Courts from now prosecuting neo-fascists under DLM 142 of 22 April 1945 or other provisions of Italian Law, on the sole charge that by being members of the neo-fascist forces they collaborated with the Germans or otherwise were guilty of treason. It is of course a matter entirely for the Italian Courts whether they take this view of the agreement, but that is the view which appeals to this Commission and upon which the present policy of this Commission is based.
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6. I have to add, however, that this whole question is being considered by the Allied Governments and I may have to communicate to you further in the course. Pending such future letter you may take it that the policy of the Allied Commission is as stated herein.

MMA 203 DISTRICT

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Subject: - Captured animals - Recovery of

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Land Forces Sub-Comm. I.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
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WAR MINISTRY.

3 Aug/45.

1. The treatment of captured animals formerly the property of the Italian Army should follow the same lines as in the case of other War Ministry property.

In the case of animals, the present needs of the Army having been met, it is desirable that the existing arrangements whereby I.C. and Allied Army Officers are disposing of surplus captured and stray animals should continue.

2. The physical repossession and transfer to Army remount depots necessitating forage provision and subsequent reallocation to farmers appears unnecessary.

3. Territorial H.Q. should therefore be instructed to co-operate with representatives of Ministry of Agriculture and to obtain particulars of animals, the property of the Italian Army, which have been or are being disposed of to civilians.

The interests of the Ministry and their right to repossess themselves of the animals would thus be secured.

4. You should furnish all concerned with full particulars as to brand marks and other means of recognition of these animals and submit to this H.Q. a copy of your instructions on the subject.

5. I.C. authorities will similarly be instructed to assist local Territorial H.Q. to obtain all available information concerning animals recovered by Allied representatives or representatives of Min. of Agriculture.

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In the case of animals, the present needs of the Army having been met, it is desirable that the existing arrangements whereby L.C. and Allied Army Officers are disposing of surplus captured and stray animals should continue.

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Copy to:- L.C. (for Agriculture
Sub-Comm.) for action
para 5.

- ALL H.M.I.A. L.C.'s.

R.A. Curtiss
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R.A. CURTISS, M.C.B.,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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MAJ H.E.P. THURPP.

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Subject: Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in Italy.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. E. I. A.) ROME
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11 July 1945

To: ALL MMIA LO's.

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for amendment

In order to ensure that all Liaison Officers are fully informed a copy of the latest AFHQ directive on the disposition of captured enemy material is attached - ref AG 386.3/163 149-0 dated 22 Jun 45.

ATT.

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P. P. FARRELL, J/Comd.
for Colonel, D.Q.M.G.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 386.3/163 LOG-O

22 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Disposition of Captured Enemy Material in ITALY.

TO: Commanding Generals,
15th Army Group, APO 777
14th Army, APO 464
Peninsular Base Section, APO 732
Headquarters, Eighth Army
General Officer Commanding, No. 1 District
General Officer Commanding, No. 2 District
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AG 386.3/163 LOG-O, dated 2 May 1945, subject as above
AG 386.3/163 GCT-O, dated 13 May 1945, subject as above
AG 386.3/163 GCT-O, dated 9 June 1945, subject as above.

2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTROL, ALLOCATION AND DISPOSAL OF ENEMY MATERIAL.

- The control of all enemy material in this theater is vested in the Supreme Allied Commander.
- The allocation, use and disposal of enemy material (either captured in the course of operations or as a result of enemy disarmament following a surrender) is a responsibility of command, which will be exercised in accordance with the provisions of this directive.

3. DEFINITIONS

- Captured or Surrendered Enemy War Material - (hereafter referred to as enemy material) includes any material of whatever nature and wherever situated, intended for war on land, in the air, or on the sea, or which is, or may be, or has been at any time in use by, or intended for use by, the armed forces, civil defense or other formations or organizations under the control or influence of the German Government, German authorities, or Governments or authorities of any states now allied to or associated with GERMANY.
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b. Allied Ground Forces Staff and Service Responsibilities for safeguarding and control - The responsibility for the taking over (or the collection where necessary) and the safeguarding of all enemy Ground Forces war material is placed upon the Commanding Generals of Fifth and Eighth Armies, Headquarters 1 and 2 Districts, and Commanding General Peninsular Base Section in their respective areas. This responsibility will be exercised through the normal Allied Staff and technical service channels appropriate to type of material concerned. It is desired that the arrangements made by Armies be such that continuity of management when headquarters of 1 and 2 Districts and Peninsular Base Section take over Armies' areas in Northern ITALY.

5. CONTROLLING AUTHORITIES AT AFHQ - The control of enemy materials will be exercised by AFHQ through normal command and technical channels appropriate to the material concerned.

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a. Enemy Ground Forces war material will be classified into categories by the authorities designated below. Notes amplifying classification and withdrawals are at Appendix "A" to this directive.

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3.	Material required for use in operations against any nations still remaining at war with the Allies.	AFHQ
4.	Material required for equipping national forces of liberated countries or for distribution among the United Nations.	AFHQ
5.	Material which requires special handling (e.g. Toxic Cases)	Classifying Authorities: Ground Forces Commanders. Withdrawal Authority: AFHQ

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b. No special reports are required in connection with material which is not repairable. It should be rendered innocuous (where necessary) and turned over to Allied military salvage organisations.

c. As of the 15th of each month (commencing with 15 June 1945) to reach this headquarters by the 20th of the same month addressees will report the following information in respect of all captured general purpose (G) vehicles showing vehicles of Italian make separately.

- (1) Numbers and types organised into car/truck companies, held by units within establishments, or otherwise.
- (2) Numbers and types handed over to other agencies.
- (3) Numbers and types awaiting issue.
- (4) Numbers and types awaiting repair.

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a. Material will be taken over (or collected where necessary) in the following order:

- (1) Category 1.
- (2) Category 2.
- (3) Category 3.
- (4) Other categories and uncategorised material as convenient unless otherwise ordered by this headquarters.
- (5) Unserviceable material and scrap.

b. The order in which material in category 2 is to be taken over or collected will normally be as follows:

- (1) Vehicles which are serviceable or a source of spares.
- (2) Food, clothing and coal.
- (3) Animals.
- (4) Petrol, oil, lubricants (including containers therefor).
- (5) Signal Stores.
- (6) Medical, dental and veterinary stores, equipment and drugs.
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- (8) Docks and inland water transport, stores and equipment.
- (9) Engineer stores and equipment.
- (10) All other serviceable and repairable Ground Forces material.

9. POLICIES

a. Retention of materials by units or individuals - Retention by units or individuals of such materials unless properly authorised in accordance with this instruction and other pertinent directives is forbidden.

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d. War material of US, British, Russian, or French origin

(1) It will be the policy of the War Relocation Authority of US or British origin recovered from the enemy by reference of surrender to be turned over to the American or British services normally responsible for the class of material concerned.

(2) It will be the policy to return to the Russian and French authorities all material which was formerly the property of the Russian and French Governments. Pending further instructions all material that is apparently of Russian and French ownership will be segregated and reported to this HQ.

e. War factories and War Factory Production - The policies contained in letter, this Headquarters, file AF 288.5/367 GAG-C, dated 14 Feb 1945, subject: "Policy on Italian Munitions Production" will apply.

f. Ammunition

(1) Attention is drawn to current instructions on the handling of enemy ammunition.

(2) Ammunition of German manufacture is in category 3 and in original containers will be centralized in a few selected parks under arrangements to be made by the addressees. German transport and personnel will be used for this purpose under Allied supervision.

(3) Small quantities of loose ammunition in unguarded dumps which constitute a hazard to life or property will, under arrangements to be made by MILA, be reported by Carabinieri to the Italian Ministry of War. MILA will authorize the destruction by the Italian Ministry of War without reference to this Headquarters of all such small quantities of German or Italian ammunition. Explosives will, if not available in the dumps, be demanded by MILA from Amies, Districts, or Base Section.

(4) Small Dumps of German and Italian ammunition (other than that in Category 3 in original containers) of 500 tons or less will be destroyed by the most suitable means by German personnel under Allied supervision. German technical units may be formed for this purpose. If practicable the bases will be recovered and be returned through Allied Army Salvage organizations.

(5) Larger Dumps of German and Italian ammunition in excess of 500 tons will be placed under guard, their contents reported and disposal instructions awaited.

(6) Nothing in these instructions is to be regarded in any way as restricting the authority of addressees to destroy ammunition in any quantity which is in a dangerous condition or constitutes a hazard to internal security, utilizing German personnel, under Allied supervision, for the work.

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(1) It is expected that a large proportion of enemy-held animals will disappear before Allied control becomes effective. The remainder will be identified and where possible, when tested and Provision-Branded from numbers allotted to Amies by this Headquarters.

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b. War Material alienated by the Enemy - Any alienation of war material by the enemy, out of the ordinary course of any administration (for example, materials which may have been sold to the civilians in anticipation of surrender) entered into within three months before the date of surrender shall be provisionally regarded as valuable, and, if required, the material so alienated will be summarily recovered.

- (i) Remains to Enemy Material - Except on instructions from this HQ, no attempt will be made to repair enemy material other than that categorized in Categories 1 and 2, but category 3 material will be preserved to the extent of being put in grease and under cover where appropriate. With the exception of Category 1, enemy material may be modified as required for abnormal uses.

j. Passenger and Load-Carrying Vehicles

- (1) To allow for the maintenance of enemy forces and in order to save Allied transport, car and truck companies of German make, by type, will be formed. Whenever practicable, however, such vehicles will not be issued without workshop inspection and never without WD numbers and full registration.
- (2) The issue of enemy vehicles to existing Allied units will be permitted only in cases where such units have deficiencies in their TEs (WEs).
- (3) Italian Army vehicles captured after the armistice with Italy will be dealt with in accordance with Section II, AFM Circular Number 5, 1945, and returned to the appropriate Italian authorities through MIA. All other captured Italian vehicles whether requisitioned or not will be turned over to Allied Commission. Italian vehicles are defined as vehicles of Italian make. Italian military vehicles can usually be identified by the R-5 on the dashboard or instrument panel. If doubt arises as to whether a vehicle of Italian make is a civilian or military vehicle, such vehicle will be turned over to MIA who will determine the ownership and subsequent allocation in conjunction with Allied Commission. Receipts for all vehicles handed over to Allied Commission or MIA will be obtained. In the retention of vehicles of Italian make against deficiencies in unit establishments is, at present, authorized, the ultimate hand-over to Allied Commission or MIA of such vehicles may be postponed until further orders are issued by this headquarters. Every effort will be made to hand-over to MIA all stocks of spare parts including tyres for Italian military vehicles which are marked with R-3 or are otherwise identifiable as having been the property of the Italian Ministry of War. Stocks of spares for Italian civilian vehicles will similarly be handed over to Allied Commission or in doubtful cases to MIA. Sufficient spares may be retained for such Italian vehicles as are held against deficiencies in unit establishments. Addressees will not normally be responsible for repairing vehicles of Italian make before they are handed over to Allied Commission or MIA. The responsibility for insuring the proper registration of, and the provision of drivers for all vehicles handed over to them will be that of Allied Commission or MIA as the case may be.

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BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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(Sgt) LEONARD R. SHUGART
Colonel, AGD
Asst Adjutant General.

2 Incl:

1. - Appendix "A" - Notes on classification and withdrawal of enemy war material
2. - Appendix "B" - List of Category 3 material.

DISTRIBUTION

5 Each Addressed.
2 Combined Chiefs of Staff.
2 War Office (LHQ for LHQ).

2 C-in-C Med.
1 Air C-in-C Med.
2 RAF.

2 AF/TC.
2 Atlantic Base Command.
2 MHA.

3 Allied Commission
Italy.

APPENDIX "A" to
letter, AHC, DA 366.5/463
LOG-C, dtd 22 June 1945.

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NOTES ON CLASSIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF EXCESS MATERIAL.

1. CATEGORY 1 MATERIAL. AHC will be responsible for indicating to addressees (by means of a list or through liaison officers) what material is to be placed in Category 1 and where it is to be consigned. Material thus placed in Category 1 is not available for any purpose. AHC is responsible for maintaining records of all material withdrawn under their authority.
2. CATEGORY 2 MATERIAL. Addressees, subject only to limitation in 1 above, will place any material which they need or likely to need in Category 2. They will maintain simple records of all Category 2 material which they authorize to be withdrawn (e.g. copies of the documents authorizing deposits to take issue). Addressees will not prepare consolidated returns of material thus used until ordered by this HQ.
3. CATEGORY 3 MATERIAL. A list of Category 3 material which may be required for the FAR EAST is attached at Appendix "B". Addressees will locate such material and report the quantities held to this headquarters. Such inventories must be accurate and the material so reported must be frozen. AHC will declare how much of this material is to be placed in Category 3. AHC will be responsible for issuing disposal instructions and maintaining the records of withdrawals of Category 3 material.
4. CATEGORY 4 MATERIAL. It is the policy in connection with the equipping of liberated areas is annunciated during the period this headquarters will issue a list of material that might be required under Category 4. The procedures will then be as for Category 3 material in paragraph 3 above.
5. CATEGORY 5 MATERIAL.
 - a. Material which must be destroyed for any reason e.g. perished foolbuffs, dangerous ammunition, will be placed in Category 5 by the addressees and destroyed. Simple records in broad terms of material which has been thus destroyed should be maintained by the addressees (e.g. a copy of the authorization to destroy the material). No returns of such destructions are required from the addressees until ordered by this headquarters.
 - b. All stocks of Toxic Gases will be placed in Category 5 and if practicable segregated under normal safety precautions. The approximate tonnage by types of fillings and locations will be reported to this HQ, which will then give disposal instructions. Isolated stocks of less than 400 tons may be destroyed by any suitable means if such destruction will help to reduce guarding, transportation, or any other problem.

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ATTN: "B" to letter
 AMO, 13 396.1/163 100-0
 dated 22 June 1945.

LIST OF CATEGORY 3 MATERIAL

Serial 1 PISTOLS

9mm Pistols (Luger and Walther automatics)

27mm Signal Pistols (unfired)

Serial 2 RIFLES

7.92mm (bolt operated)

7.92mm (Gomha 44 (7) and 44 (2) (bolt loading rifles)

7.92mm Snipers Rifle

Serial 3 MACHINE GUNS

7.92mm I.M.G. 34

Serial 4 AMMUNITION

All ammunition to fit weapons in Serial 1 - 3 above.

Serial 5 ENGINEERS

All types

Serial 6 TRUCKS

Gomha 34, K2s 44 Zgw 3-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 3 t. Leichter)

Gomha 34, K2s 7 Zgw 8-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 8 t. Mittlerer)

Gomha 34, K2s 9 Zgw 10-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 10 t. Schwerer)

Serial 7 ENGINEERS

Gomha 34 Diesel Engine driven

30 K.V. 220 and 240 volt.

7.92mm Gewehr 43 (W) and 44 (H) (rele' loading rifles)

7.92mm Sniper rifle

Serial 3 MACHINE GUNS

7.92mm L.M.G. 51.

Serial 4 AMMUNITION

All ammunition to this weapons in Serial 4 - 5 above.

Serial 5 REMOUNTERS

All types

Serial 6 TRUCKS

German S1. K27 11 Zehn 3-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 3 t. Leichter)

German S1. K28 7 Zehn 3-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 3 t. Mittlerer)

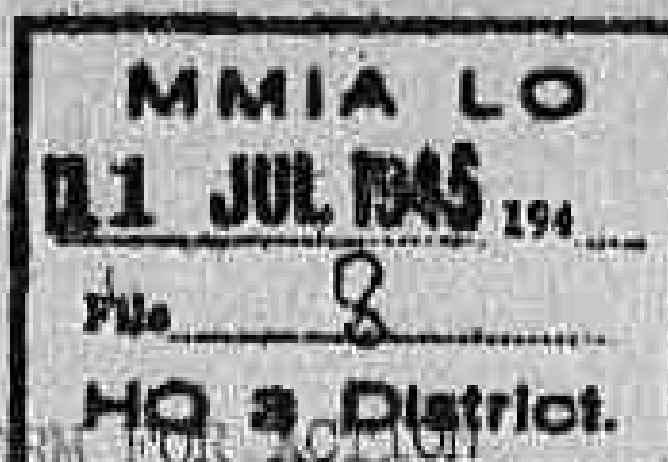
German S1. K29 9 Zehn 18-ton (Zug Kraftwagen 18 t. Schwerer)

Serial 7 GENERATORS

Centrosome Diesel Engine driven

55 K.V. 240 and 210 volt.

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MESSAGE FORM FOR ACTION

FROM: DISTREE

11 JUL 1945

TO : 52 AREA 54 AREA 56 AREA ROME AREA (G 3 Brit) 94 SUB AREA
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INFORMATION

LIST 'A'

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already opened which cannot reasonably be answered by another HQ (.)
third (.) local adm of HQ 15 army gp (.) in cases of paras first and
second above copy of correspondence will be sent to AFHQ

This message may be sent as written
by any means except by wireless

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W.D. Barnes Capt

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Subject:- Recovery Italian Army Vehicles and Property.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
P.O. No. 194

M M I A L O
2 JUL 1945 194
HQ 3 District

No:-

Ministry of War

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The Recovery Commissions already authorized are intended to work through the Territorial H.Q. to which they are affiliated.

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Difficulties of the nature described in your letter under reply should be first referred to the M.M.I.A. L.O. on the spot. In most cases the solution will be readily found.

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5. Little information is being received from the Ministry as to the result of the Recovery Commissions work, although word comes from M.M.I.A. I.Os. that military vehicles and other property is being recovered.

This H.Q. is interested in the successful recovery and re-⁵⁰²³ment of army material especially transport vehicles.

You are therefore requested to furnish a summary of the reports received on this subject from Territorial H.Q. not less frequently than once a week.

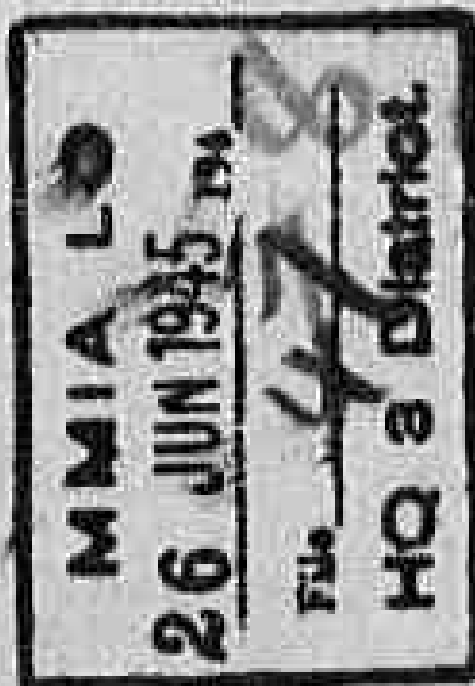
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222-5-43

For I. I. A.
T.J. MONTES Col.
for Major General.
M. I. A.

Subject : Buildings and Stores the property
of the Italian Army.



Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
Q/12/10

20 June, 45.

To : The War Ministry.

Reference your letter 212594 /II dated 8 June 45.

1. Your interpretation of this Headquarters letter Q/8 8 Mar 45 is not agreed. The policy approved by the Supreme Allied Commander was to afford protection to War Ministry property against improper requisitioning by Allied officers.
2. Under the circumstances then existing cases were occurring of Allied Commanders and A.M.G. officers taking possession of Italian Army Barracks and stores in the same way as they requisitioned civilian buildings. Except in cases of operational necessity it was ruled that War Ministry property would be privileged and the printed notices were issued with the intention of assisting the Ministry to safeguard property of this nature.
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4. If any building, not the property of the War Ministry, but which they desire to occupy has been requisitioned by the Allies the matter may, if of sufficient importance, be referred to this Headquarters who will ascertain whether or not the building can be released for the Italian Army.

R.A. Curties

R.A. CURTIES, Lt.Col.,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to : ALL M.M.I.A. L.O's.

/agc

MMIA LO
10 MAR 1945
HQ 3 District

Subject: Buildings and stores the property of the Italian Army.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R.O.M.E.
2/8

8 Mar 45

To: MINISTRY OF WAR

1. In order to implement the policy outlined in AFHQ Circular No. 29 Part 1 of 2 Dec 1944 with regard to the improper requisitioning of Italian Military buildings and stores, the following procedure will be adopted.
2. The Ministry of War have in their possession dual language (English-Italian) printed and numbered Notices. These notices show that the building to which they are affixed and/or its contents are Italian Military property and must not be requisitioned without reference to the proper Authority, in this case HQ MMIA.
3. The notices will be distributed by Ministry of War to Territorial HQ Italian Army who will complete forms as necessary and submit to the appropriate MMIA LO for approval. In the case of buildings within ROME City limits application may be made direct to HQ MMIA (Q2).

(a) If satisfied that the building concerned is -

the property of the Italian Army, the Senior MMIA LO of the formation concerned will sign the NOTICE and have recorded the following particulars:-

Serial No.
Address.
Nature of Building
" " Contents.

- * If barracks, state number of men who can be accommodated.
- (b) A return containing the above information will be rendered to HQ MMIA (Q2) on the first of each month showing what NOTICES have been approved since last return. NIL returns are required.

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5. Certain buildings, the property of the Italian Army, are temporarily in use by the Allied Authorities for other purposes. The Ministry is required to submit a list of such buildings to HQ MMA (Q2) and to notify any changes thereto. The list will contain information as in 4 (a) above.

6. If, in any case, a building protected by an authorised NOTICE is claimed by any Allied Authority the matter will be reported by the Ministry to HQ MMA.

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7. The Ministry is required to impress on Territorial HQ the importance of strictly controlling the issue of the NCICES. The unauthorised use of a NOTICE will result in disciplinary action and will lead to the scheme being discredited.

R.A. Curties
R.A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M.M. I.A.

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Copy to:

- AFHQ for G-4 (A)
- AFHQ for Q Maint.
- HQ 15 Army Group for Q.
- CG Fifth Army
- CC Eighth Army for Br. Inor.
- HQ Eighth Army for Q.
- HQ No. 1 District for Q.
- HQ No. 2 District for Q.
- HQ No. 3 District for Q.
- CC. PHS.
- All MHA Lcs. (for action as in paras 4 (a) and 4 (b))

INTERNAL:

- G.
- QAF
- Q1
- QCS
- ST
- LED.

MEDY V LROF NR 1436 (ROUTINE) QVR3
FROM (A) M.M.I.A. 070932B

TO (FOR ACTION) REAR EIGHTH ARMY

INFO DISTONE OR MMIA LO - DISTHREE FOR MMIA LO - BR INCR 3 ARMY FOR
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ORD/SS (.) RESTRICTED (.) FOR MMIA LO FOR HERBERT (.) REF YOUR PH/021
(.) MMIA WILL NOT FURNISH STATIONERY FOR UCCOUNTING SYSTEMS (.) OBTAIN
NECESSARY SUPPLIES FROM ITALIAN HQ (.) ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES ESTABLISH
BY MMIA ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 11 IS NOT APPLICABLE TO SUB
DIVISIONS (.) M.M.I.A. FORMS ORD/1 AND ORD/3 FROM DIVISION SUB DEPOTS
NOT REQUIRED BY HQ M.M.I.A. (.)

(-BT-)

SENT NR (1436) (DML) (1130) (X)



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MAJ through MMIAHQ HQ 3 Dist

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

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Subject : Italian Honours and Awards.

Prize, my love!

Major General L. Browning, CE.OBE.MC.
Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A.

DO/2.

8 May, 45.

My dear

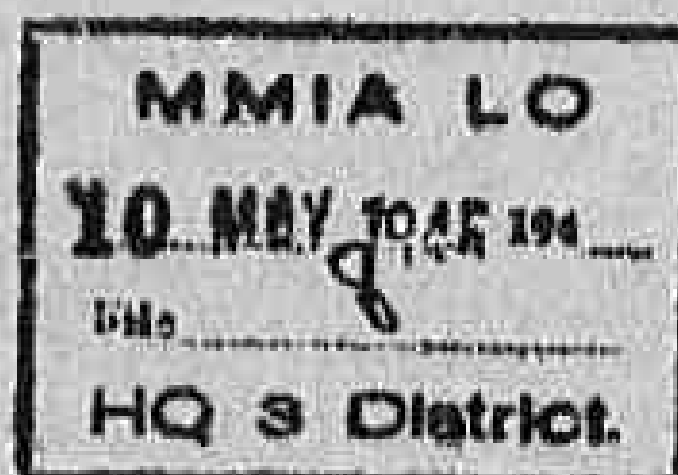
1. You are no doubt aware that the whole matter of giving Italians British decorations and receiving Italian decorations from them has been under discussion for some time. The state of affairs is that this is not permitted. Moreover you should not make any promises about future acceptance (if offered awards) in case, as appears possible, such issues are definitely ruled out.

2. I have been asked by the M.S., A.F.H.Q. to bring this to your notice and I need hardly say that you should keep this strictly to yourself, particularly as the situation is complicated by the fact that the Americans are authorised to accept Italian awards and do so.

Yours Sincerely

Lingley Browning

To : All British Officers M.M.I.A.



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MMIA LO
24 APR 1945
HQ 3 District

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COPY
SUBJECT: Limited Service Personnel.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
Tel: 489081 Ext 533
A 106
20 April 45

TO : Ministry of War.

Reference:

- (a) War Min 13680 of 4 Mar. NT
- (b) War Min 12034/R/ST of 9 Mar. NT
- (c) MMIA 2/17 of 13 Mar. NT
- (d) SMRE 14871/Mob of 2 Apr. NT
- (e) SMRE 15426/Mob of 13 Apr. NT

1. As a partial solution of the problem of discharging from the regular Italian Army, men of low medical standard who are unfit for active service, your proposal to employ with the Italian Red Cross and the Living Military Order of MALTA a limited number (not exceeding 2,500 in April, May and June) is approved. These men will thenceforth cease to be borne on the strength of the effective regular army and will cease to receive rations and clothing from Allied sources.
2. These will in effect be militarized civilians whose rates of pay and terms of employment with the Italian Red Cross and the Living Military Order of MALTA are matters outside the concern of this mission.
3. You are again reminded of the necessity of demobilising all remaining unfit personnel irrespective of their domicile or class. This must be effected immediately either by unconditional discharge or by placing on permanent leave.

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4. The arrangements for clothing and rations with regard to men leaving the service as above will be the same as those given in our A/Q17 for men being demobilized.

5. You will please report to this Mission by 15 May 45 :-

- (a) Number of men transferred vide para 1
 (b) Number of men discharged vide para 3.

INTERNAL:
 M. for GOC
 C(SD).

(SIGNED) W. PIDSLEY, COL.,
 for Major General,
 M.M.I.A.

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COPY TO. ALL M.M.I.A. LG's.

20 April 45

A 106

Subject: Italian Army Material.

MMIA LO
27 MAR 1945
File 8
HQ 3 District.

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Baseball 96.
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To: AMES/DAIES
DECS 22 AA BDE.

AFAS/SUB. ARMS.

27 March 1945.

MMIA L.O. 3 District.

1. Subjoined copy of DE AFHQ letter ME. 10/1592 dated 23 Mar. 1945, is forwarded for information and necessary action.

W. L. Williams
(S. L. WILLIAMS)
FOR COLONEL. D.D.M.E.,
MAJOR.

COPY

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS MEMO.

Subject: Italian Army Material.

PRECED 382.
ME 10/1593

To: List "A".

23 Mar. '45.

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2. Included in the above are all forms of stores and material including salvage, scrap or refuse in the possession of the Italian Army or located in Italian Army Depots or installations under Allied occupation.

3. Cases have occurred in the past, particularly at the Piretaccio Depot, CMEL, where Italian Army Stores have been removed without prior authority being obtained from MMIA.

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(H.M.L. WILLIAMS)
FOR COLONEL. D.D.M.E.,

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5. Please ensure that in future all requests for Italian Army stores or material are submitted through the proper channels to MIA, and that no further unauthorised appropriation takes place.

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(SGD) D.MONTGOMERY. CAPT.
FOR MAJOR GENERAL.
DIRECTOR OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING.

COPIES TO G(AM) AFHQ (2)

SUBJECT: Exemption from Military Call-up
of Civilian Employees.

AFHQ C.1(Br)
54 Area
Lab
MMIA LO. —



3 District
Baseball 22
390/5A
20 Mar 45.

Reference conversation DAWTRY/TEMPLER.

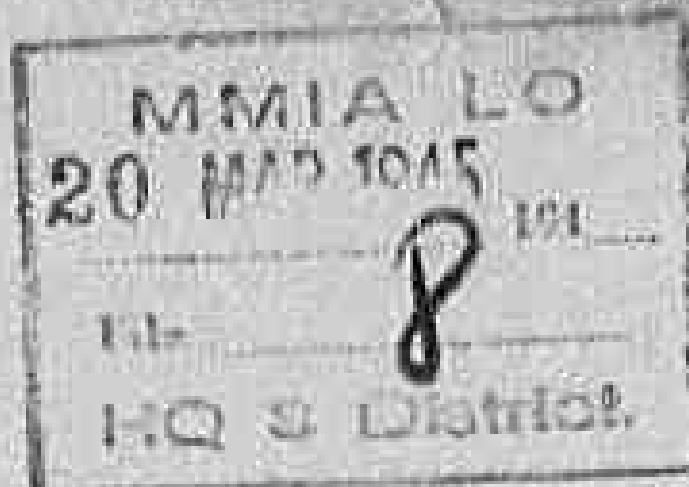
1. Information has been received from OC 66 Group HQ, Pioneer Corps, that according to the Quay Labour Contractor BARI, Dock Labour has been "militarised" and will not be liable to call-up while remaining in such employment. He also states that labourers are being issued with a certificate of Militarisation and it is therefore unnecessary for applications to be made for normal certificates of exemption.

2. May confirmation of the above please be given as this HQ has had no previous notification of this exception to the procedure detailed in your Adm Memo No 10.

SGT/SM

Maj Gen.
Comd.

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SUBJECT: AMHQ Adm Memo 15/45

3 District
Baseball 17
390A
30 Mar 45

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'A' 94 Sub Area
'A' 204 Sub Area
'Q' Welfare
'Q' Labour
'X' Salvage
'E' Postal
ST Education
Med Camp
Ord Catering
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HQ Movements West ITALY) Copies of AMHQ Adm Memo No 10
Hq Movements East ITALY) dated 20 Feb 45 is enclosed.

Copies as above of AMHQ Adm Memo No 15 dated 13 Mar 45 are
forwarded.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)
NUMBER 15)

13 March 1945

Conditions under which Italians will be exempted from the Military Service . . . I
Allied Force Basic Wage Scale II
Rescission of Administrative Memorandum III

I--- CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH ITALIANS WILL BE EXEMPTED FROM THE MILITARY SERVICE

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 10, 1945, is amended as follows:

1. Delete the last sentence of paragraph 2a and substitute the following:

"Forms will be submitted in quadruplicate to the local British or United States Labor representative, except in the case of personnel employed by the Italian State Railways, forms for whom will be submitted direct to the Director Military Railway Service, Italy."

2. Paragraph 3a (16) is added as follows:

"(16) Director Military Railway Service, Italy."

II---ALLIED FORCE BASIC WAGE SCALE.

1. The following new grades will be added to the Allied Force Basic Wage Scale. These will become effective beginning with the first pay period after the receipt by the employing unit of this Administrative Memorandum. They are subject to the cost of living bonus at the rates and under the conditions prescribed by AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 62, 1944.

2. New Grades to be added to the Allied Force Basic Wage Scale:

a. To Appendix "D" (Italy) to AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 47, 1944 (as amended),

"Locksmith 90 - 135 lire per day.

b. To Appendix "F" (Sicily) to AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 47, 1944 (as amended),

"Medical Practitioner 30 - 40 lire per hour
Nursing Orderly 80 - 105 lire per day
Caretaker (Cemetery) 80 - 105 lire per day."

3. The following deletion to be made from the Allied Force Basic Wage Scale

Appendix "A" to AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 47, 1944.

"Prisoner of War Mail Examiner 3000 - 4000 lire per month".

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AFHQ Administrative Memorandum # 15 (Cont'd)

III RESCISSION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 22, 1944 is rescinded.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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

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File 8
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Land Forces Sub Com, A.G.
(M.M.I.A.)
G/36
3 Feb 45.

As a matter of general principle members of Allied
Forces will refrain from any participation in Italian politics.

L. M. Ingledew.

Lt. Col
G.S.
M.M.I.A.

DIST:
All Offrs of MWIA.
(Incl outstation LOs.)

to.

5013

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SUBJECT: Italian Military Material.

MMIA LO HS 3. Duties
MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R O M E
AQ/8

14 October 1944.

Ministry of War.

1. The object of this letter is to define the meaning of "Italian Military Material."

2. Italian Military Material is considered in three categories:

a. Buildings.

Headquarters, barracks, depots, storehouses, hospitals, and other installations, which are permanent Italian Army property, or which have been correctly requisitioned, and are still in occupation by the Italian Army, are deemed Italian Military Material.

b. Stores.

All weapons and items of a genuine military nature including equipment, ammunition, barrack stores, clothing, and technical stores, which were in possession of the Italian Army at the time of the Armistice, or which have been, or may be collected during the northward advance, are deemed Italian Military Material.

c. Vehicles.

Vehicles, which were the property of the Italian Army at the time of the Armistice, or which have been returned to the Italian Army by the Allies, since the Armistice, and vehicles which have been correctly requisitioned by the Italian Army are deemed Italian Military Material.

3. Questions relating to Italian Military Material, which involve relations with the Allies, or which have been the subject of previous instructions from this Hq, will be dealt with as follows:--

a. Questions of local importance will be referred by the local Italian Commander to the MMIA LO in that area.

b. Questions of general importance, or questions involving policy, will be referred by the Ministry of War to HQ, MMIA.

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P. J. Noval
P. J. NOVAL, Lt. Col.
For Major General
MIA.

JGB/ae

Copy:

All MIA LOs

All Branches and Services MIA

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1341A LO
HQ 3 District

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As a result

1. No civilian may be employed on British account unless written permission has been obtained from I.Q. M.I.A. Under the present regulations set up it is required by I.Q. M.I.A., unless the matter is regulated from the commencement of employment there may be a claim by the Paymaster against the employing officer.

name:
type of employment:
dated from which employed:
Rate of Pay:
Insurance Account:
from which pay drawn:

P. J. No. 11

5011

File 8
Subject: Italian War Materials.

RC
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q., A.C.C.
R O M E
AG/S.

12 AUG 44

To: MMIA LO Rear Five Army.
" " Rear Eight Army.
" " No. 2 District
" " No. 3 District.
" " NAPLES.

Herewith copy of AGC letter 360/11/CA dated
10 Aug which lays down quite clearly in respect of
A.M.G. etc Officers, the basic fact that Italian
Army material is reserved for the use of the Italian
Army.

FJN/zh

F.J. Noakes
F.J. NOAKES Lt. Col.
A.A. & Q.H.G.
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref : 360/11/CA

10 August 1944

SUBJECT : Italian War Material etc.

TO : Regional Commissioners, Region I - IX & "2"
Provincial Commissioner, Foggia Province
S.C.s. 5 & 8 Armies.

1. This constitutes a full authority for the Italian Armed Forces to collect all vehicles and other war material originally held on charge by them.

2. Attention is drawn to:

(a) ATIQ Circular 13 of 1 May 1944, which clearly states:

"Italian Material. All Italian Material belonging to all arms and services of the Italian Ground Forces and in the possession of the Italians at the time of the armistice is considered as Italian material and, except as otherwise directed by this headquarters is reserved for the use of the Italian Army under the direction of the Army Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission."

(b) A.A.I. letter 2030/12/32 dated 1 July 1944 of which the following are extracts:

"Cases have occurred (particularly in RCE and other newly occupied localities) where property, transport and materials belonging to the Italian Forces have been removed from them without proper authority and when the operational need for such action no longer existed."

"In future no buildings, real estate, transportation or other materials belonging to the Italian Armed Forces, or in the possession of effective units of the Italian Navy, Army or Air Force, will be occupied, requisitioned, seized or made use of without prior reference to this H.Q."

"The Italian Commanders concerned have been authorised to place notices on their property indicating its ownership. These notices will be respected."

SUBJECT : Italian War Material etc.

TO : Regional Commissioners, Region I - IX & "Z"
Provincial Commissioner, Foggia Province
S.C.A.Os 5 & 8 Armies.

1. This constitutes a full authority for the Italian Armed Forces to collect all vehicles and other war material originally held on charge by them.

2. Attention is drawn to:

(a) AMHQ Circular 13 of 1 May 1944, which clearly states:

"Italian Material. All Italian Material belonging to all arms and services of the Italian Ground Forces and in the possession of the Italians at the time of the armistice is considered as Italian material and, except as otherwise directed by this headquarters is reserved for the use of the Italian Army under the direction of the Army Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission."

(b) A.A.I. letter 2030/12/Q2 dated 1 July 1944 of which the following are extracts:

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"The Italian Commanders concerned have been authorised to place notices on their property indicating its ownership. These notices will be respected."

3. Every assistance should be given to the Italian Armed Forces in their efforts to maintain themselves by the salvaging and collecting into Depots of war material scattered throughout the country.

4. When ownership of any material is in dispute the matter will immediately be referred to this HQ for investigation and final decision.

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M.S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

7. SUBJECT: Italian Army

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MILIA)
LEQUITE (LECCE)
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2.3 June 44.

To: H.E. The Minister for War
H.E. The Chief of Staff, SMRE.

1. The following final instructions regarding certain elements of the Italian Army Forces have been received from higher authority and will be effective 13 July. These instructions supersede all instructions heretofore issued which are in conflict with the instructions contained herein.

2. The issue of rations furnished the Italian Armed Forces to personnel of the following units will be limited as shown under each unit:

(a) War Ministry. Authorized 'B' Scale Rations only. Rations will be issued only to bona-fide members of the Armed Forces and the civil officials whose duties are executive to the extent that they may be classified as having the equivalent of officer grades, and for actual mess attendants at general messes where military rations are consumed. Military rations will not be issued for private messes for civil officials, or for private messes for officers below the grade of Brigadier General, and will then be issued only for the military members of the mess. The number of rations issued to the War Ministry will not exceed 1300 without prior approval, and will be reduced to conform with this instruction.

A roster showing the names of all civil officials having the equivalent of officer rank, and the equivalent rank, will be submitted to this Headquarters.

A table showing the number of actual mess attendants authorized to draw rations will be submitted to this HQ.

The strength state of the Italian Army will hereafter show the following under the heading: "War Ministry."

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| (1) | Officers and men of the Italian Army issued rations,
(Excluding CC.RR.) |
| (2) | Civil officials issued rations. |
| (3) | Mess attendants issued rations. |
| (4) | CC.RR. |

The total of the first three sub-divisions of the War Ministry will not exceed 1300.

Officers or men of the Italian Army in excess of the number authorized herein now attached to this unit will either:

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Officers or men of the Italian Army in excess of the number authorised herein now attached to this unit will either:

- (1) Be demobilised and dropped from the rolls of the Army, and hereafter not issued Army rations under any conditions, or
- (2) Be reported to this Headquarters and be made available for assignment by this Headquarters to a unit of the Italian Army working under Allied command. When assigned to such a unit by this Headquarters such personnel will be required to report to the unit to which assigned before any rations are issued to them.

Report will be rendered this Hq forthwith as to disposition of this excess personnel.

(b) 11 Rep Auton, Minister. Authorised 'B' Scale rations only. Rations to be issued only to personnel employed in the Royal Household, and not to exceed 15 officers and 50 other ranks. All other personnel, either military or civil, attached to this unit are not authorised to draw any Army

2. (b) Contd.

The strength state of the Italian Army will carry not to exceed 15 officers and 50 other ranks under this heading. Civilians now carried on the strength of this unit will be dropped, and will not hereafter be issued rations by the Italian Army under any conditions.

Officers or men of the Italian Army in excess of the number authorised herein now attached to this unit will either:

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Report will be rendered to this Hq forthwith as to disposition of this excess personnel.

- (e) Granatieri Battalion. This is the battalion on duty as guard and escort for the Royal Household. Authorised 'B' Scale Rations only. Not to exceed 25 officers and 250 other ranks.

The strength state of the Italian Army will show this battalion separately, and not as a part of any Division.

- (d) Royal Military Academy. Authorised 'B' Scale Rations only. Not to exceed 40 officers, 250 cadets and 180 other ranks.

- (e) Royal Naval Academy. Authorised 'B' Scale Rations only. Not to exceed 450 all ranks including officers and cadets.

A table of organisation of this Academy, showing all personnel employed therein, will be submitted forthwith to this Headquarters. The Table of organisation will include a certificate that no other personnel of the Italian Armed Forces is employed in any capacity in the Royal Naval Academy.

The strength state of the Italian Navy will hereafter show the personnel of this Academy under a separate heading.

- (f) Comando Supremo. Authorised 'A' Scale Rations as a special exception; the 'A' scale is subject to withdrawal at any time. The total ration will not exceed 600 all ranks, including officers, civil officials of officer rank and mess attendants in general messes.

The personnel included herein include the personnel shown in Parts 1 and 2 of the letter of the Comando Supremo dated 9 May 1944, No. 12936/Op di prot., signed by General INFANTE. The total personnel authorised for all of Parts 1 and 2 shown in said letter will not exceed 600 all ranks, regardless of where rationed.

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Officers or men of the Italian Army in excess of the number authorised herein now attached to this unit will either:

- (1) Be demobilised and dropped from the rolls of the Army, and hereafter not issued Army rations under any conditions, or
- (2) Be reported to this Headquarters and be made available for assignment by this Headquarters to a unit of the Italian Army working under Allied command. When assigned to such a unit by this Headquarters such personnel will be required to report to the unit to which assigned before any rations are issued to them.

Report will be rendered to this Hq forthwith as to disposition of this excess personnel.

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(f) Comando Supremo (Contd.)

A roster showing the names of all civil officials having the equivalent of officer rank, and the equivalent rank, will be submitted to this Hq.

A table showing the number of actual mess attendants authorized to draw rations will be submitted to this Hq.

Military rations will not be issued for private messes for civil officials, or private messes for officers below the grade of Major General, and will then be issued only for the military: below of the mess.

The Comando Supremo is authorized to draw from Allied depots the part of the 'A' Scale Ration authorized from Allied sources. Repayment in kind will be made to the Allied Depot only on authority of this Headquarters. The Allied Depot will demand on M.M.I.A. for repayment showing the exact quantity of each commodity issued, the ration of Italian officer that no additional rations have been drawn from Italian Army Depots. If the Comando Supremo elects to draw from Allied Depots that part of the ration authorized from Allied sources, the amount must be drawn from the Allied Depot, and Italian Army Depots will only issue to the Comando Supremo that part of the ration authorized to be issued from Italian sources.

The strength state of the Italian Army will hereafter show the following under the heading: "Comando Supremo,"

- (1) Officers and men of the Italian Army (excl. CC.RR) issued rations.

Part 1 - Office of the Chief of Supreme General Staff, including G-1 Branch, Comms Branch and G-2 Branch Affari Vari.

Part 2. - Ufficio Informazioni.

- (2) Civilian officials by name, issued rations.
- (3) Mess attendants issued rations.
- (4) CC.RR

The total of (1), (2), (3), above will not exceed 600.

A new table of organization of the Comando Supremo in accordance with the limitations herein prescribed will be submitted to this Headquarters.

- (g) 1st Quila Group. No rations will be issued to any member of this group while employed on its present duty. The personnel of this group

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(g) 1st Guide Group. No rations will be issued to any member of this group while employed on its present duty. The personnel of this group will either:

(1) Be demobilised and dropped from the rolls of the Army, and hereafter not issued Army rations under any conditions, or

(2) Be reported to this Headquarters for assignment by the quarters to some unit of the Italian Army working under Allied command.

The strength returns of the Italian Army will not carry the or any member thereof until the employment of the group or the members is authorised by this Headquarters.

3. None of the personnel in excess of the authorised numbers above, will be transferred, attached, detailed, hospitalised, or otherwise eligible for rations in another organisation except as specifically provided.

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4. All units mentioned in para 2 above, except the Comando Supremo, will draw all rations from Italian Army Depots. Repayment for rations drawn by the Comando Supremo from Allied Depots will be made only on authority issued by this H.Q. No other repayment of rations will be made by Italian Army Depots without prior approval of this Headquarters for the issue to be made to the Allied Depot.

5. Italian Army Depots will not issue any rations, either Allied or Italian, to any Italian Military personnel which is not shown on the Italian Army strength state, or which is not employed on duties as shown on the strength state.

6. Except as specified herein for civil officials and mess attendants Italian Army Depots will not issue any rations, either Allied or Italian, to civilians, nor will any Army rations be sold or otherwise conveyed to civilians. (Italian civilians employed by Allied formations are furnished rations by such formations or are on the same ration status as other civilians.)

7. The strength states of the Italian Army will hereafter show under a separate sub heading the CC.RR attached to military formations or Headquarters of the Italian Army. The CC.RR attached to military formations is not included in the Army ceiling, but in the ceiling for the entire CC.RR.

8. No officer or man in hospital or convalescent camp will be carried on the strength state of I.A.F. for rations for a period of over 30 days, except personnel who are in hospital as a result of wounds received in combat against the common enemy since 1 Sept. 1943.

A roster showing Name, Rank, Nature of Wounds, when and where wounded, Date of hospitalization, and approximate length of confinement in hospital or convalescent camp, of all personnel issued rations for a period of over 30 days in hospital or convalescence will be submitted to this Hq on the 1st day of each month.

Personnel, other than combat casualties, who have been in hospital or convalescent camp, over 30 days will either:

- (1) Be demobilised, discharged from the hospital or convalescent camp, and hereafter be issued no Army rations, or
- (2) Be transferred to civil hospitals and dropped from the strength state of the Army and issued no Army rations until they return to full duty with the Army, or
- (3) Be returned to full duty with the Army.

It is the policy that any member of the Italian Army, except combat casualties as defined herein, absent on account of injury or sickness from his unit for a period of over 30 days is considered as non-effective and not entitled to Army rations.

Officers and men employed under direct Allied command who are injured other than by combat action against the common enemy, and

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Officers and men employed under direct Allied command who are injured during such employment, other than by combat action against the common enemy, and who require hospitalization in excess of 30 days will be reported to this Headquarters, with full particulars, and this Headquarters may authorize such personnel to remain in military hospitals over 30 days on Army ration scale. Each case will be the subject of a separate report and action by this Hq.

9. It is desired that a copy of the orders issued by you to ensure that these instructions are carried out be furnished this Headquarters.

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