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: 11 February 1945
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SUBJECT: Policy on Italian Munitions Production

1. Pending receipt of a policy directive from Combined Chiefs of Staff, the following interim policy will govern the disposition of Italian industrial and munitions plants formerly employed wholly or in part to sustain the war effort. This policy is applicable to all such plants, tools, equipment, facilities and production, whether State owned or privately owned.

2. No weapons or ammunition will be produced during the period of the European and/or Japanese Wars, except as directed by the United States and British armed forces.

3. The Italian Government and the Allied Commission will establish the procedure for transferring plants and equipment between private firms to achieve national reconstruction.

4. The Allied Commission will:

a. Encourage the maximum utilization of all plants, tools and equipment primarily to further the Allied war effort and thereafter the rehabilitation of the Italian economy.

8. Impound all tools and equipment which can produce only prohibited war-like stores, pending decision of possible use in the Allied military effort.

c. Refer and obtain the concurrence of the relevant service (US/UK) prior to any transfer as provided in paragraph 3. above.

d. Insure that nothing is done to impair the output of Italian industrial and munitions plants now or hereafter engaged in production for:

- (1) The Allied armed forces, and
(2) The Italian Navy without the prior consent of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.

c. Make a survey of Italian war-like stores in arsenals, factories, depots, dumps, and in the hands of the Italian armed forces.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD M. RSH. L. ALEXANDER:

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17: *Jack Carter*
JACK CARTER
Captain, AGD
Adjutant General
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Subject:- Arms and Amn

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

ROME
AQ/23

8 Feb 45

MMIA LO 3 District

Reference your 3DLO/22 dated 5 Feb 45.

Covering authority is given for the issue of 12 "MOSCHETTI 38"
and 864 rds of SAA to the two guards at NOIA from surplus arms and amn
held by 227 Div.

P. P. FardeLL

P.P. FARDELL J/Comd
for Col. DA & QMG
M.M.I.A.

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Copy to: Ministry of War - The arms and amn referred to had been
previously handed in by 114 M.G. Bn.

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the return

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I did!

(VE/41 dated 13/2)

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Subject:- Request for arms and amn.

3DLO/22
5 Feb 45.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.

Ref your AQ/23 dated 26 Jan 45.

A request has been received from HQ 56 Area for the release of 12 "MOSCHETTI 38" and 864 rounds SAA for issue to two gds ~~to be~~ found respectively by 301 and 302 Italian Ord Amn Coys at NOLA engaged upon unit and stores security.

Since the request is urgent, issue has been arranged through HQ 227 Div from amongst the arms and amn handed in by 114 MG Bn.

May covering authority please be given for this issue.


Major,
MMIA LO,
3 District.

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Subject: Italian Arms and Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
HQ/23

26 Jan 45.

ALL MMIA LO's

1. The following procedure will be adopted regarding all demands for Italian arms and ammunition which may be needed to meet either Allied or Italian requirements:-

(a) All demands to be submitted to "Q" MMIA through the appropriate LO. In the case of Fifth Army, including British Increment, the Senior MMIA LO will be the channel of communication and applications from other sources will be disregarded.

(b) A consolidated list of all requirements will be submitted monthly to reach this HQ by the tenth of each month. This list to show also any items that have been asked for but are still outstanding, quoting relevant references. The following details are necessary:-

- (i) Exact description of arms or ammunition required.
- (ii) Reason for the demand.
- (iii) Consignee.
- (iv) Destination.

(c) Only emergency demands are to be submitted extra to (b) above.

(d) On receipt of these demands this HQ will ascertain whether the items are available for release and, if so, their location. If available and approved by AFHQ, the Ministry of War will be instructed to issue. The MMIA LO in whose area the Depot is located will arrange for their shipment to the destination stated and will signal this HQ, copy to the LO originating the request, the date they are dispatched, quoting the wagon numbers.

2. You will please ensure that all concerned are aware of this procedure.

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PPZ/wk

Copies to: AFHQ for Q(Maint) & G-4
 15 Army Group
 5 Army
 5 Army (Br Iner)
 8 Army
 1 District
 3 District
 Ministry of War
 MIA Q/OS

F. J. Noakes
 F. J. NOAKES, Col.
 DA & QMG.
 M. M. I. A.

Subject: Small Arms and Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
AQ/23/4

14 January 45

66 A.A. Pde.

Reference your 66/4 322/109 dated 24 December 44.

1. The War Ministry has informed this HQ that the two automatic weapons and 20,000 rounds of ammunition requested by you are available at the Direzione Artiglieria of COSENZA. Unfortunately, owing to the fact that there are no distinctive markings on the ammunition or the packing cases, it is not possible to classify the tracers according to colours. As a result of experiments it has been found that Italian ammunition generally has green, white and red colours, and RHEINMETALL has white and green colours.
2. Arrangements should be made through Liaison Officer (M.M.I.A.) 3 District, for its collection from the Direzione.

P.P. Fardell

P.P. FARDSELL, J/COMD.
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

PPF/erc

Copy to: AFHQ (your AG 471/207 OCT - O dated 23 Nov 44 refers)
Ministry of War (your 20986 dated 8 Jan 45 refers)
LG (MMA) 3 District.

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Ref folios 199a and 199b and Minute 207. (see 7906)

On 24 Dec 44 SC Q 3 District arranged verbally by telephone with 56 Area for 6 3-Tonnors to report to Major MENELLA at Italian Arty HQ, CAPODIMONTE. This was subsequently confirmed in your QG 2257 of 24.

Detailed address, PBS Depot number and map ref of Arty HQ were given by SC Q to 56 Area.

Major MENELLA was duly warned by this office and it was arranged that the vehs should report to him and then be redirected by guides some to POZZUOLI and some to CAPUA as the dumps at both these places would have been difficult to locate at night.

Loading parties were alerted at the two amn dumps (at POZZUOLI these are civilian) and Major MENELLA or h waited outside Arty HQ till midnight 24/25 Dec for the vehs. These were not seen.

It is felt that in this case no blame can be laid against the Italian Army. The fact that civilian lab at the POZZUOLI dump was not available on 25 Dec after waiting since 24 Dec is regrettable but, owing to the season, understandable.

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PENSOUTH FOR MMIA ID
3 DIST FOR MMIA LO
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S M R E REQUEST THAT CERTAIN PERSONNEL OF 19 GROUP AA BE LEFT ON
I S C H I A AND C A P R I TO GUARD ANW AND GUNS (.) IS THIS
NECESSARY

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MEDY V LROF NR 3059 (ROUTINE) QVR1 ~~T MAED QVR3 T MERM QVR4~~

FROM (A) M.M.I.A. 241630 A

TO (FOR ACTION) DISTHREE - PENSOUTH - 54 AREA - 52 AREA

INFO AFHQ - 3 DISTRICT

GR --- BT

AQ 2458(.) RESTRICTED (.) FOR MMIA LO ACTION ADDRESSES (.) QUANTITY
AMMUNITION BEING MOVED FROM NAPLES AND COSENZA TO 14 BAD (.)
PRIORITY ONE (.) 81// IF NECESSARY OR REQUESTED PLEASE GIVE ALL POSSIBLE
HELP (.)

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Q 56 AREA

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Ord MIA LO (By hand)

QG 2257 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) further to conversation LIVERAM - GRAEFORD (.)
six 3 tonners to report Maj MANELLI Artillery HQ NAPLES nearest (.) required
to load men for 14 BAD BARI

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Subject: Projectile Filling Workshops - CAVA DEI TIRRENI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
AQ/10

20 Dec 1944

To: 3 District

1. Enclosed is copy translation of a letter received from the Ministry of War.
2. The primary object in forwarding this letter to you is that you may be aware of the danger which the Ministry of War state exists.
3. Will you please forward to this HQ your reactions to the proposals put forward by the Ministry of War in the enclosed letter.

DSIG/1e

D.S.L. GREGSON
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:
MIA LO 3 DISTRICT

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COPY TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

Ref. No: 306295/2/CA

TO : MMIA

Date : 14 Dec. 1944.

Subject: Projectile filling w/shops of CAVA dei TIRRENI wrongly called ammo Depot of S. LUCIA DE CAVA.

1. We inform you that the name of the establishment, for which we request MMIA to intervene to avoid the complete occupation, is Projectile filling w/shops of CAVA DEI TIRRENI.
2. The situation of the w/shops as regarding occupation of the premises is at the time being as follows:
 - a. Buildings No. 5, 11, 12, 13 and 30 occupied for Street and Road repair agency.
 - b. Buildings 27 and 29 contain 300 tons of H.E.
 - c. Building No. 36 contains ammunition which appears to be in bad condition.
3. The Ministry of War plans to use the a/m buildings as follows:
 - a. Firstly repair the buildings so as to avoid further deterioration.
 - b. Use the establishment as

Partly as ammunition depot for the Arty Directorate for ammunition now laying in the open and distributed dangerously in other provisional depots.

Partly as filling w/shop for the ammo which is located in southern Italy and that has to be filled.
4. To fulfill such program the following becomes a necessity:
 - a. Derequisition of the establishment or at least partial derequisition of the Buildings in para 2.
 - b. The removal of Mines H.E. Detonators, fuses, etc. stored in building listed in para 2 b. H.E. which owing to its condition is highly dangerous for the inhabitant of the area and for the traffic on the nearby main road.
 - c. The destruction or removal of the ammunition and of the H.E. which have been collected in building No. 36 which appears to be in poor condition.

So as to enable the w/shops to be used as previewed in para 3 which answers the needs and necessities of this Ministry of War, we beg MMIA to take the necessary steps with the Allied Command so as to grant at least the small request of para. 4.

Sgd. ???????

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Subject: Recovery of Italian Military Material.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/23/1

18 Nov 44.

To : R.A.A.C.

1. Ref your Q/251/1 dated 4 Nov 1944, and further to this HQ AQ/90 dated 9 Nov 1944.
2. A report on this subject has now been received from the Ministry of War.
3. Copy of translation forwarded herewith.
4. Copy of para 2 of Liaison Log (MMIA LO to Ministry of War) of 17/11/44 is also forwarded.
5. It is suggested that any further information can be attained through LO BAAC who we understand has considerable knowledge on this subject.

DSL3/wk

F. J. Noakes
P. J. NOAKES, Col,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to MMIA LO 3 Dist (your 3 DLO of 13/11, refers)
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Translation

From: M of W
To : MMIA

Ref No: 304538/C.A.
Date: 16 Nov 44

Recovery of Italian War Material

Ref to letter AQ/90 dated 8/11/44

Data relative to ref letter:

(1) The Arty Directorate of ROME actually supervise:

(a) The salvage of Italian war material principally in the ROME area and as far as possible owing to their limited transport availability, in the adjacent communes.

(b) To the clearing of the grounds of the territory of the shells and unexploded projectiles (excluding mines which are being removed by the Engr). There is actually clearing centers at ROME - CIVITAVECCHIA, and another is soon to be opened at RONCIOLIONE.

Up to to-day, from 550 request of clearing arrived at this directorate 330 have been dealt with of a complete tonnage of 300 tons.

(2) General ideas on the AMM. Works.

(a) To salvage portable armament and light automation and their ammunitions to avoid them falling in the hands of evil doers.

(b) And at the same time salvage material and ammo belonging to Italian Arty.

(c) Clear the areas needed for daily life, first.

(3) Preview of the Arty directorate of ROME for future recovery operations. So that the subject retains its characteristics as initiated by the War Ministry and now being examined by P of W Sub Commission of A.C., we suggest the following:

(a) Complete the work already started.

(b) Extend this work to the whole of LAZIO UMBRIA and ABRUZZI Military Command Area.

The special organization which provide the employment of Military personnel for the technical work only and civilians for the manual work (personnel engaged from the unemployed workers of the Arty establishment, Patriots, ex combattants etc.).

Or for the areas where this is impossible private firms speed or slowness of the operations and also the use of large or small numbers of clearing squads depends only on the number of lorries available.

sgd OZILIA

MMIA LO TO MINISTRY OF WAR

LOG DATED 17 Nov 44

2. Lt. Col. PASTUCCI

Informed Col Pastucci of presence of It Ammo dumps in Rome Area as located by I.O.O. Details available with LO RAAC. Ministry of War to arrange to inspect Ammo and collect in main ammo dumps. Informed that system at present in operation by Arty Directorate is that officers are sent out to locate dumps, ammo is inspected and doubtfuls destroyed. Ammo is later collected in main dumps where guard is placed. Frequent inspections take place on main dumps.

Confirmation in writing is being forwarded as requested.

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SUBJECT: Italian Arm for Italian Internal Security
Tis and Trg Purposes

LAND FORCES SUB-COL. A.C.
(M.L.I.A.)
File No. SD/40
21 Nov 44

TO : WAR MINISTRY

Copy to: ADHQ
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ACC SARDINIA for COL. SIMMONS
HQ SICILY REGION AC for COL. ALBERT - MIA LO
PBS for MIA LO
MIA LO 8 ARMY
MIA LO 5 ARMY
MIA LO 1 DISTRICT
MIA LO 54 AREA
MIA LO 3 DISTRICT
MIA LO 57 GARRISON

1. Ref your 4/3458/Serv of 5 Nov authority is granted for stocks of ammunition to be frozen for training purposes as per appendix "A" to SD/40 of 4 Oct to be amended to read as follows:

	<u>Rounds</u>
Mortars 81	4,000
Pistols 9	8,000
Machine Guns 8	200,000
Automatic Rifle 6.5	200,000
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Hand Grenades	10,000

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AGC SARDINIA for Col. SIMONS
HQ SICILY REGION AC for Col. ALBERT - MIA LO
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2. It is requested that you issue the necessary orders accordingly.

Copy to: Q
Ord

Black
Major General
M. M. I. A.

Subject: Italian Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/23/1

17 Nov 44.

MMIA LO at HQ 3 District

Ref your 3 DLO/22 dated 13 Nov 44.

1. Action is being taken by Ministry of War to recover Italian Material in the Rome Area.
2. A report on their present progress and future plans is being prepared by the Ministry of War at the request of HQ RAAC.

JGB/wk

J. G. Bird, Capt
J. G. BIRD, Capt,
for Col. DA & QMG,
M. M. I. A.

*Ditto (Amun)
has been 1/2*

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Subject: Italian Ammunition.

3DLO/22
13 Nov 44

Land Forces Sub Commission, AC,
(MMIA),
R O M E .

Ref MMIA letter AQ/90 datwd 6 Nov 44, to
AFHQ.

Ord 3 District state that several dumps
of Italian Ammunition have been discovered by their IOO
in the ROME area (ie in LAZIO and outside the county of
CAMPANIA).

These were reported by the IOO to the
Italian Liaison Officer at RAAC but so far no clearance
has been carried out by the Italians.

Would you please take this matter up
with the Italian HQ concerned in order that the clearance
of these dumps from the ROME area may be expedited.

[Signature]
Major **3066**
MMIALO,
3 District.

SUBJECT:- Italian Ammunition.

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3 District
Ext. 88.
OS4/4011.
10 Nov. '44.

M.M.I.A. Liaison Officer
H.Q., 3 District.

Reference conversation Thrupp-Hall of even date.

1. The attached copies of A.F.H.Q. letter 4074/Q(MAINT) of 3 Oct. '44 and M.M.I.A. letter AQ/90 of 6 Oct. '44 are forwarded for information.
2. At the present time the clearance of British ammunition from the areas of Rome, Cassino and Ortona is being effected and many small dumps of Italian ammunition are being discovered.
3. It is understood from the I.O.O. who is assisting in the Rome area that several dumps of Italian ammunition have been reported to the Italian Liaison Officer attached to R.A.A.C. but as yet little or no clearance has been carried out by the Italians.

In view of this it is requested that the matter be investigated in order to expedite the clearance of Italian ammunition from the Rome area.

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Col
DDOS
(G.T.HALL)

(COPY)

Subject:- Italian Ammunition

Military Mission Italian Army.
Rome
AQ/90
6 October 1944.

To : AFHQ

Ref. your 4074/Q(Maint) dated 3 Oct 44.

1. The inspection, salvage or destruction of Italian Ammunition south of the Army Rear Boundary is a function of the Italian Arty Directorate, at TARANTO, NAPLES and ROME. There is no authority or organisation available North of the boundary, though Italian specialist personnel can always be sent forward, when required.
2. MMIA Liaison Officers are attached to all District HQ and with Fifth and Eight Army, and can make arrangements direct with the appropriate Italian authorities on all occasions.
3. It is considered therefore, that direct contact between MMIA LOs and DDOS, Districts, would prove the most effective means of approach to Italian Arty Directorates.

(Sgd) ???????????????????

(F.J.NOAKES Lt.Col.)
for Major General
MMIA

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Copy.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

RESTRICTED.

Subject : Italian Ammunition.

4074/Q(Maint)

H.Q., M.M.I.A.

3 Oct 44

1. Demands are frequently received for the services of British Ordnance personnel to inspect and destroy doubtful or dangerous Italian ammunition. This work can only be undertaken by I.O.O's of whom there are very few in the theatre and whose services are required for urgent work in connection with British ammunition.
2. It would be appreciated if examination and destructions of Italian ammunition as mentioned above could be carried out by Italian personnel, thus relieving British Ordnance I.O.O's of this duty. Examination of Italian ammunition required by the British would, of course, remain a British responsibility.
3. Would you please approach the Italian authorities with a view to making the necessary arrangements. It would be convenient if direct liaison in Districts between D.D.O.S. and the appropriate authority could be arranged; to this end a list of such authorities with locations for circulation to Districts would be appreciated.

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(Sgd) ???????????????

M.C.E. SHARP, Brig,
for Lieutenant General
Chief Administrative Officer,
A.F.H.Q.

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CONFIDENTIAL
SUBJECT: Italian Amn for Italian Internal Security Tps & Trg Purposes

MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
R. M. E.
SD 40

4 Oct 44

WAR MINISTRY

Copy to: AFHQ (ref AG 471/109.GOT-C dated 28 Sep)
A.S.I.

435 SARDINIA for Col SIMMONS

HQ SICILY REGION 404 for Col ALBERT - MILA 10

ES for MILA

MILA 10 5 Army

MILA 10 5 Army

MILA 10 1 District

MILA 10 2 District

MILA 10 3 District

MILA 10 67 Garrison

1. The amounts, by types, of Italian ammunition to be frozen in Italian Army Depots on the mainland, SICILY and SARDINIA for Italian Internal Security tps and for training purposes are shown at Appx "A" to this letter.

2. It is requested that you

(a) issue forthwith the necessary orders to freeze this amn for the purposes shown above.

(b) submit to this HQ your request for transport to SICILY from mainland stocks of the 17,000 rds 9mm amn (vide Note in Appx "A"). Precise destination in SICILY should be stated. It is recommended that MESSINA Arty Depot be selected.

3. This HQ letter AG/90 of 29 May 44, subject "Ammunition" is cancelled.

AGC SARDINIA for Col SIMONIS
 HQ SICILY REGION for Col ALBERT - MMIA LO
 ES for MMIA
 MMIA LO 6 Army
 MMIA LO 5 Army
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Copy to: 'Q'
 Ord

L. M. J. J. J. J.
 6001
 Lt. Col
 Major General
 MMIA

Apex "A" to MMIA SD/40

Amn to be frozen for Italian Internal Security Tps and Trg Purposes

Nature	SARDINIA	SICILY	MAINLAND
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
81 mm Mortar	9,000	18,000	36,000
9 mm Pistol	8,500	17,000	34,000
8 mm M.G.	370,000	740,000	1,480,000
6.5 mm IMG	119,000	238,000	476,000
6.5 mm Rifle	472,400	944,800	1,889,600
Hand Grenades	10,000	20,000	40,000

Note:- Amn shown above is already in depots in SARDINIA, SICILY and mainland, except for the 17,000 rds which must come from mainland stocks

Appx "A" to MIA SD/40 of 4 Oct 44to be frozen for Italian Internal Security Tps and Trg Purposes

NIA	SICILY	MAINLAND	Training Purposes (12 months)
	(c)	(d)	(e)
00	18,000	36,000	2,000
00	17,000	34,000	4,000
00	740,000	1,480,000	100,000
00	233,000	476,000	100,000
00	944,800	1,889,600	70,000
00	20,000	40,000	5,000

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and stocks

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DATA (10)

Conversation MURRAY/THE refers (.)

Q 0078 (.) MURRAY (.) Following signal Q 1100 of 05 from M1 signal to MURRAY
info CC Fifth Army. MURRAY later MURRAY Army MURRAY MIA MIA for MIA M1
is repeated (.) quote (.) Ref this M1 signal Q 1279 of 19 Aug and Fifth
Army Brit later M1 Q 53/126 and 0259 dated 1 Sep (.) This signal
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Army Sub Commission (MIA)
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NAME
AC/90
22 Aug 44

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Copies to: AAI (for "Q")
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Conversation CHIAPPARELLI - BUTTERWORTH 23 Aug 44 refers.

1. The contents of the Italian Army Arm Depot at CAPPUCCINI (3 kms from CAPUA Depot) will count towards the 30 days FFC required to be held at the main CAPUA Depot.

2. At Annex "A" is table showing stocks in CAPUA and CAPPUCCINI as at 13 Aug 44.

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Nature	Appor "A" to NMIA AQ/90 of <u>25 AUG 44</u>	Stocks in CAPUA & CAPPUCCI Depots on 13 Aug 44
	30 F.F.C.	
149/19	7,200	-
105/28	14,400	6,518
100/17/22	24,000	14,538
75/27	9,600	9,314
75/18	19,200	3,417
75/13	28,800	7,059
65/17	4,800	11,059
47/32	2,160	68,043
20mm	17,600	588,320
81mm Mortar	43,650	58,392
45mm Mortar	17,625	218,450
8mm M.G.	1,597,500	1,633,600
6.5mm L.F.G.	1,236,000	2,602,776
6.5mm Rifle	1,500,000	1,939,376
9mm Auto	1,500,000	265,000
9mm Rev.	9,000	233,178
Hand Grenades	18,750	617,416

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