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SG/6 "CUNED,, Division Correspondence Only
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Let B/F on 18/1/45
6/6.

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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND,

26 January 1945.

Dear *General*

I got the attached from Count Sarsfield
SALAZAR of Piazza Sallustio 24.

I do not suppose it is of the slightest
interest to you but it seems that you are the
appropriate person to whom to send it.

Yours *Sincerely,*

Alvin

Major-General L. BROWNING, CB, OBE, MC,
Military Mission to the Italian Army.

AL/EG.

These are Gen SORDARELLI'S
the. Nothing is known about
the promise that death would
be rewarded and allowed to fight
against the Germans. The rest of the
information corresponds to what is known to MAFIA.
24 Jan

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Toby. Any action?
S.

DB

28 Jan

0 0
Await result of proposal
to AFHQ to reorganize
1500 gpo + 28000(?)
OD's P.M. to uniform
combat gpo. Then
we can ask for them
CUNEO people
L.B.
2 Feb

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Translation of Memorandum by General Carlo MELOTTI (via Polonia 7)

On the 8th of September 1943, the troops of the Division "CUNEO", at the time in the Sporadi isle (Egeo), following orders from the Italian Government, collaborated and fought with the British troops at Samo against the Germans.

Following Allied orders to evacuate some of the islands, the Cuneo Division (8th Rgt. of Infantry and 27th Rgt. of Artillery,) about 6000 strong, were transferred into Turkish territory (Asia Minor) where they were disarmed and sent to Palestine with the promise that they would be rearmed and allowed to fight. Instead, from Palestine, they were sent to Tel el Kabir (Egypt) where they were considered, as it seems, as prisoners of war and interned in a concentration camp.

This decision against troops who had loyally collaborated with the Allies, gave rise to discontent and disorders which were quenched by the British Military Authorities.

These troops, which are the "elite" of the Army, are very anxious to fight and therefore I, as ex G.O.C. the Cuneo Division, beg to ask to be sent to Tel El Kebir so as to take them in hand (with any rank) and employ them in fighting in any zone the Allies may decide (including Japan.)

signed: General Carlo Melotti

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See. ✓ There is a file
on the Cuneo Div. 28/

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto

Ord. N° 204006/II Allegato 1

20-1-10

Risposta al fido

P.M. 3800

Roma

13 FEB. 1945

Dir. 15

OCCUPATO Colonnello TIBERI.

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ROMA

(rif. comunicazione fatta dal magg. Baumann
tramite ufficio C.A.)

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Di conseguenza il Comando Alleato in Medio Oriente dovrebbe essere a conoscenza della missione affidata all'ufficiale, ben noto a codesta M.M.I.A. e da essa esplicitamente confermata nell'attestato di cui ho fatto cenno. E' da escludere, comunque, che il predetto ufficiale debba rimanere in Medio Oriente "considerato prigioniero di guerra".

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IL MINISTRO

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IL MINISTRO *W*

Alalsh

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto

N° 201155/II di prot.
210-18-10

P.M.3800, 16 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO: - Missione.-

AL COLONNELLO S.P.E. ARTIGLIERIA

TIBERI TIBERIO

ROMA

V.S. è destinata, quale rappresentante di questo Ministero in Medio Oriente con compiti di assistenza e di controllo disciplinare e amministrativo nei riguardi dei militari della Divisione di fanteria "Cuneo".-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
F/to Lombardi

P. C. C.

IL CAPO UFFICIO II

(T.Col. F.to Monaco)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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F/to p. Major General M.M.I.A.

F. I. Moanes Groml

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F/to P. Major General M.M.I.A.
F. I. Moanes Croml

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AFHQ

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SECRET

IF ITALIAN COL T I B E R I IS NOT REQUIRED IN MIDDLE
EAST HE SHOULD BE RETURNED TO ITALY (.) AGREE WITH
YOUR PARA ONE (A) (.) YOUR P 21525 OF 5 JAN 45 REFERS (.)

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT:- Strengthen Italian Army Officers

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(MIA)
AQ/11/1

4 Jan 44

AFHQ for G1(BR)

Ref your letter CR/3863/G1(BR) of 22 Dec.

1. Italian Army Establishment strength (Officers) is 15,920.
2. The effective strength of officers in the Italian Army is 15,040 vide MIA Order of Battle No. 2/5 - G/11 dated 27 Dec 44.
3. A deficiency of 880 officers is thereby apparent.
4. It is however pointed out that the effective strength contains an undue proportion of inefficient and unsuitable officers. Every effort is being made to increase the efficiency of the Italian Army and these officers are being slowly removed. The disparity between actual and W.S. strength is thereby increasing. There is at the same time a grave shortage of specialist officers and especially of English speaking Italian officers.

ABC

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Spencer
for Major General Capt
MIA

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SAC CITE FHGCT

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TO MIA

F 21525

SECRET

AG091.711/109GCT/O OF 13 DEC IS REFERENCE (*) PARA ONE (*)
 PARAPHASE FOLLOWS OF WIDEAST CABLES ON ABOVE SUBJECT : QUOTE ITALIAN
 COLONEL TIBERI TIBERIO HAS ARRIVED WIDEAST FROM ITALY QUOTING
 AG091.711/109GCT-O OF 13 DEC 1944 AS AUTHORITY FOR APPOINTMENT TO
 COMMAND STAFF CUNEO DIVISION (*) AS WE HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF THIS
 INDIVIDUAL HERE, ARE HOLDING HIM IN 304 PW CAMP (*) ITALIANS
 FROM CUNEO DIVISION STILL IN WIDEAST ARE REGISTERED AS PW (*) ALL
 OFFICERS FROM THE DIVISION HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED TO YOU EXCEPTING SMALL
~~RETAIN~~ NUMBERS RETAINED FOR EMPLOYMENT IN PIONEER COMPANIES FORMED
 FROM OR'S OF THE DIVISION (*) THESE COMPANIES NOW WIDELY DISPERSED
 AND THEIR WELFARE DISCIPLINE AND ADMINISTRATION IS ALREADY WELL CARED
 FOR BY US (*) IN VIEW OF ABOVE TIBERI NOT REQUIRED HERE IN ANY
 CAPACITY (*) SUGGEST THEREFORE : (A) RETURN HIM SOONEST (*)
 (B) REGISTER AND RETAIN HIM HERE AS PW (*) UNQUOTE (*) PARA TWO
 (*) REQUEST YOU INDICATE WHETHER ONE (A) ABOVE IS DESIRED

PRIORITY

ACTION COPY: G/6

*Answered
B F R E B*

*yes - course (A)
8 Feb.*

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see 86

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020**SECRET**ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGED/787 L.F.
37/06MSG Center No A 26/06
Classification S
Precedence P
From SAC
To INMILH**PRIORITY**
SD.Date Time Rec'd 060558
Date Time Sent 052040
Reference NR FOX 21525
Cite FHGETAB 091.711/109 GCT/0 of 6/2 13 Dec~~SECRET PD ABLE GEORGE ZERO NINE ONE POINT SEVEN ONE ONE SLANT ONE~~~~ZERO NINE GEORGE CHARLIE TARE SLANT DASH DASH OF ONE THREE DECEMBER IS~~REFERENCE / FOX TWO ONE FIVE TWO FIVE ACTION TO MMIA RPT MMIA SIGNEDSAC RPT SAC CITS FHGET RPT FHGET X

PARA ONE X PARAPHRASE FOLLOWS OF MIDEAST CABLES ON ABOVE SUBJECT

CLN QUOTE ITALIAN COLONEL ~~TIBELT RPT TIBERI TIGERIO RPT TIBERIO~~ HASAB 091.711/109 GCT-0ARRIVED MIDEAST FROM ITALY QUOTING ABLE GEORGE ~~ZERO NINE ONE POINT~~~~SEVEN ONE ONE SLANT ONE ZERO NINE GEORGE CHARLIE TARE DASH DASH OF~~131944~~ONE THREE DECEMBER ONE NINE FOUR FOUR AS AUTHORITY FOR APPOINTMENT TO~~COMMAND STAFF CUNEO ~~RPT CUNEO~~ DIVISION X AS WE HAVE NO RPT NOKNOWLEDGE OF THIS INDIVIDUAL HERE CMA ARE HOLDING HIM IN ~~THREE ZERO~~FOUR PW ~~RPT PW~~ CAMP X ITALIANS FROM CUNEO ~~RPT CUNEO~~ DIVISION STILLIN MIDEAST ARE REGISTERED AS PW ~~RPT PW~~ X ALL OFFICERS FROM  76Action Copy 6/6 } 3 copies.**SECRET**1/20

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REQUEST YOU INDICATE WHETHER ONE PAREN ABLE PAREN ABOVE ~~STANDARD~~
IS ~~DESIRE~~

SECRET

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FROM: NMIA
TO: (FOR ACTION) NMIA LO SARDINIA

06 1715 A

SD 2243

SECRET

FOR ROBERTT (.) FIRST (.) REFERENCE TOUR Y 86 DATED 3 FEBRUARY (.)
500 OFFICERS CALLED UP IN SARDINIA ARE PART OF 1000 OFFICERS
AUTHORIZED BY NMIA (.) CLOTHING RELEASE FOR THESE AUTHORIZED
WHEN NEEDED CERTIFIED BY CMS (.) SECOND (.) SIGNAL BE KEPT WHEN
MARTIN RETURNS AND ASSIGN HIM TO COORDINATE ALL RECALL ACTIVITIES
WITH GENERAL SCALABINO AND HEADQUARTERS CMS (.) THIRD (.)
REFERENCE NMIA LETTER SD/53/1 DATED 18 JANUARY (.) DISREGARD
PARAGRAPH FIVE REPEAT FIVE AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR PARAGRAPH
FOUR REPEAT FOUR OF LETTER CMS PM 75/A DATED 31 JANUARY (.) SEE
COSTANTINO FOR COPY AS I LEFT HOME IN FILE (.) ACKNOWLEDGE (.)
SIGNED SIMMONS (.)

File SD/77

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✓ 6/6

F. L. SIMMONS, Col

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LROF V LAEE NR 125 "CP" (OP)
QVR-1
FROM MMIALO 52 AREA 221852A
TO MMIA ROME
INFO AFHQ FOR G2
GR 83 BT

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Sofso } copies
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AC73 CONFIDENTIAL (.) SUBJECT IS COL
T I B E R I DESTINED M E F (.)
M M I A LETTER AND A F H Q AUTHY QUOTED IN M M I A
LETTER N O T SUFFICIENT FOR PORT
SECURITY WHO REQUIRE MOVEMENT CONTROL FORM
SUPPLIED BY ALLIED COMMISSION LOCALLY AND
APPROVED BY AFHQ AFTER COMPLETION
BY INTERESTED PARTY (.)
G2 AFHQ HAVE INSTRUCTED PORT
SECURITY NOT TO PASS T I B E R I
WITHOUT FORM CMA TO HAVE THIS
FORWARDED AND APPROVED WILL TAKE TEN DAYS (.)
CAN YOU GET AUTHY FROM G2 AFHQ TO MAKE
SPECIAL CONSIDERATION INFORMING
PORT SECURITY AND THIS OFFICE (.) MUST HAVE ANSWER
TOMORROW

23 Jan REP

Spoke SHANNON who
will speak G-2 for 173

clearance. will

Keep me informed

BT 3805A
SENT NR 125
RD NR 125

22/2202A FW
2200 CDM

BB

called. thought it was last by G2. Expected
has to copy this signal which G2 has. the
BB will look and call back

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SAL/ta

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Missione.

COLONNELLO S.I.E. ARTIGLERIA
T I B E R I O Tiberio

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

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ARGENTEMINUTA
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==== P.N. 3800, Gennaio 1949

C/p

ROMA

T I B E R I T i b e r i o

R O M A

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UNITED STATES SUB-COMM. MIL. A. M. I. A. One to Gen/45.

Ref folio 74

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Gen. Tiberio
Major General,
E.A.A.

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SUBJECT:- CUNEO Division

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

C/6

14 Jan 45

AFHQ

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Your ref AG 091.711/035 GCT-0 dated 10 Jan 45.

1. The Ministry of War now informs us that Colonel TIMBER Tiberio is able to accept the appointment of command of the Staff of the CUNEO Div and that he has been ordered to report to X Camp, TARANTO by 20 Jan 45.

2. Therefore, please disregard the request for the posting of Colonel PAUDINO Salvatore.

ABC

REP
Major General
MIA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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AG 091.711/035 GCT-0

10 January 1945

SUBJECT: CUNEO Division

TO : President, Allied Commission, APO 394
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission (LMIA)

1. Reference is made to your letter, file G/6, dated 30 December 1944, and to letter this headquarters, file AG 091.711/109 GCT-0, dated 13 December 1944, subject as above.

2. Approval is given for the appointment of Colonel RAUDINO Salvatore as replacement for Colonel TIBERI Tiberio to command the Staff of the CUNEO Division in ME.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

Lee 27

~~13 Jan M/W and made informed~~

Jack Carter
JACK CARTER,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

14 Jan M/W now wants TIBERI to go. AFHQ informed.
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HEADQUARTERS
112 JAN 1945
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SUBJECT: CUNEO Division

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LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. G/6—
30 Dec 44

TO : AFHQ

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Your ref.: AG 091.711/109 GCT-0 of 13 Dec 44.

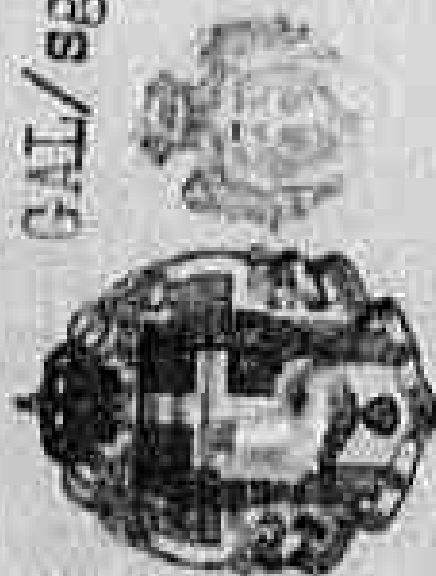
1. Colonel TIBERI Tiberio is now in such ill health that he cannot be considered for assignment to the CUNEO Division.
2. The Ministry of War submits the name of Colonel RAUDINO Salvatore to be appointed as the replacement for Colonel TIBERI. Does this have your approval please?

ZEP

for Major General
M. M. I. A.

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GAL/sg.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Salinello

URGENTE
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Prot. N. 207665 / II Allegato

Risposta al f. del

Roma P. M. 3800 - *29* dicembre 1944

Dir. *Se.* *Dir.*

Oggetto. Invio in Medio Oriente di un colonnello per la divisione "Cuneo".-

Alla LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)

= ROMA =

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Risposta alla lettera G/6 del 17/12/c.a.-

Il Col. TIBERI Tiberio, del quale codesto Comando ha approvato con la lettera cui si risponde l'assegnazione quale comandante del personale del Comando Divisione "Cuneo" nel Medio Oriente, si è reso indisponibile per motivi di salute.-

Si propone pertanto destinare in sua vece il Col. Art. s.p. e. RAUDINO Salvatore che conosce la lingua inglese ed è particolarmente idoneo all'incarico.-

Detto Colonnello non venne segnalato a suo tempo perché non ancora discriminato.-

L'ufficiale dovrebbe essere accreditato da codesto Comando quale rappresentante di questo Ministero con compiti di assistenza e di controllo amministrativo e disciplinare nei confronti dei militari della divisione "Cuneo".-

Si prega voler compiacersi rilasciare le conseguenti lettere credenziali.-

Lu. 19

d'ordine

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000000. Invio in Medio Oriente di un colonnello per la divisione "Cuneo".-

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)

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d'ordine
IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

30 dec. Lettera a AFHQ asking if they agree to substitution 20/1/5

AFHQ answer in 1 38 - OK

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SECRET

SUBJECT: Colonel TIBERI - CUNEO Div.

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

C/6

17 Dec 44

TO : Ministry of War.

Your ref 302921/CA of 23 Oct.
314-4-3

1. Approval is given for the appointment of Col. TIBERI, Tiberio, to command the Staff of the CUNEO Div. in the Middle East to fill the vacancy caused by the repatriation of Major RISSI.
2. MEIA movement section is arranging transportation by air and you will be advised, in due course, of the date of departure of Col. TIBERI. In the meantime, the Colonel should hold himself in readiness, at your disposal, in ROME.

Major General
M.E.I.A.

COPIES:
P.W. Sub Com., A.C.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

JC/jan

AG 091.711/109 GCT-0

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: CUNEO Division.

TO : President, Allied Commission, APO 396. ✓
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission (MEIA)

Reference your letter, file G/6, dated 3 December 1944, approval is given for the appointment of Colonel TIBERI, Tiberio, to command the Staff of the CUNEO Division in ME to fill the vacancy caused by the repatriation of Major ROSSI.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

JACK CARTER,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

17 Dec
1. Letter to 14/12 info.
2. Mav. Copying on Transp.
REF

22 Jan 1

Post Security Officer

Taranto. has

been and won't let him leave

for ME.

Spoke to Shannon who

will call PSO and tell

him story.

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-----Land Forces Sub-Com, A.C.
(H.M.I.A.)G/6
Dec 44TO : A.F.H.Q. G-5.
-----Copy to: P.W. Sub-Com, A.C.

1. Ref is made to your G-5 091.711-1 of 7 July, in which you quoted G-3 section as stating:

"Should the Italian Comd consider it advisable to have a Col commanding the small staff of the Cuneo Div in the M E this sec has no objection to such an appointment being made."

2. The former head of this small staff, Major MSSI, having been repatriated, there remains only a Capt in control of the discipline and adm of the personnel of the div.

3. Accordingly, the Italian War Ministry has applied to send Col TIERI Tiberio to fill the vacancy.

4. It is now requested that approval be given for this appointment and arrangements made for Col TIERI to move to EGYPT by air.

Handwritten notes:
1. Tiberio
2. Tiberio

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3. Accordingly, the Italian War Ministry has applied to send Col TIBERI Tiborio to fill the vacancy.

4. It is now requested that approval be given for this ¹⁶⁵ appointment and arrangements made for Col TIBERI to move to ECPT by air.

T. Tiborio
Colonel
Major General
M. M. I. A.

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APPUNTO PER IL MAGGIORE BAUMAN

=====

2 dicembre 1944

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Lettera n° 302921/C.A. del 23 ottobre scorso all'oggetto :
"Inviò di un ufficiale superiore per i militari della divisione
"Cuneo" dislocati in Egitto.

In luogo del Colonnello Milazzo già segnalato alla M.M.I.A.
ed attualmente non più disponibile, si segnala il Colonnello di
Artiglieria Tiberi Tiberio.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO
H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION

FROM: WMD & IPW Sub-Commission
Subject: Cuneo Division.
To: Land Forces Sub-Commission (MMIA).

IPW/29/76
12 November 1944.

Reference attached.

- 1/. It was agreed that a Colonel could be left as the Commanding Officer of the Administrative Section of the Cuneo Division.
- 2/. It would appear from General Oxilia's letter that no senior officer was left with the Division and he now requests that permission to assign an officer be given, together with the necessary travel order for the officer's movement.
- 3/. [It is suggested that you give the necessary permission in respect of the officer, and arrange his movement to Egypt by Air through ~~through~~ Transportation Channels.]

J. A. Campbell

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lt.-Colonel
Director WMD & IPW Sub. Comm.

- Encls.
1. Ltr dated 7 Nov.
2. Translation dated 23 October.
3. Ltr dated 8 September.
4. Ltr dated 17 July.

Rang Campbell

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SUBJECT: Italian CUNEO Division in EGYPT

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. G/6
7 Nov 44

10 : WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL & P.O.W. SUB-COMMISSION A.C.

1. Attached Italian War Ministry letter 302921/C.A. of 23 Oct 44 is forwarded to you for action, since this Sub-Commission does not deal with that part of the Italian Army working for the Allies as co-operators.

M. J. England
Major General
M. M. I. A. *JK Cl*

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MINISTRY OF WAR

File No. 302921/C.A.
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Rome, 23 October 1944

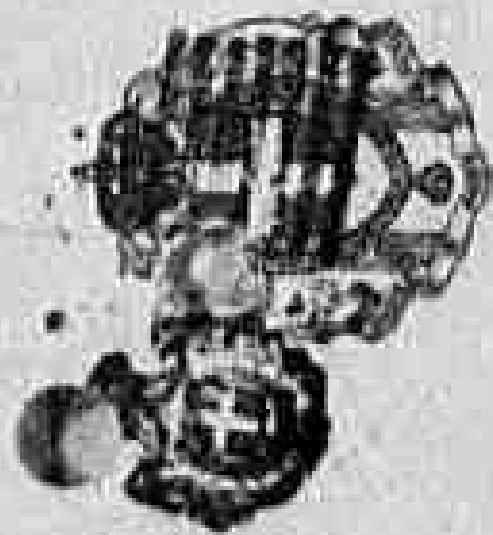
To : M.M.I.A., Rome

Subject : Soldiers of the "CUNEO" Division located in Egypt.

- 1/. Last June the Supreme Command asked the A.S.C. - according to Italian Military customs and for discipline, control and administration's necessities for the soldiers of the "CUNEO" Division located in Egypt that:
 - A Colonel, at least, should be put at the head of the "CUNEO" Division's nucleus.
 - The above-mentioned nucleus should have to care for discipline control and administration.
- 2/. This Commission answered to the request with letter A.S.C. 29/66 dated 17 July 1944 signed by Liout. Colonel Campbell (the letter is enclosed)
- 3/. The S.M.R.E. asked by the General Staff to take accords with this Mission, considering that as Major Ratti, who was the C.O. of the "CUNEO" Division's nucleus, has been repatriated, the only superior officer left there is a captain, has done the communications referred in letter No. 9504/SP/2 dated September 8th 1944 (letter is enclosed)
- 4/. The question being so, although I admit that perhaps the S.M.R.E. did not understand it well, I think it is necessary, for morale, assistance and the above-mentioned reasons to send a superior officer as the C.O. of the nucleus of the "CUNEO" Division. The officer should be chosen among those who belonged already to that Division.
- 5/. I, therefore, beg this Mission to authorize this assignation which would be limited to the only superior officer, and to indicate us the necessary method for his going to Egypt.

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THE UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR
General G.B. Oxilia



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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Gabinetto

Prot. N° 30391/C.A. - Allegato

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Reparto al f. del

Roma, 23 ottobre 1944

Dir. Gen. V

Oggetto: militari della divisione "Cuneo" dislocati in Egitto.
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Unità di Cuneo Div. dislocata in Egitto

Al LA M.M.I.A. = ROMA

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- fosse concessa l'autorizzazione di mettere a capo del nucleo del comando divisione "Cuneo", almeno un colonnello;
- venissero affidati al nucleo stesso i compiti disciplinari, di controllo e di amministrazione per i citati militari.

II - Codesta Missione rispose in merito a tale richiesta col foglio A.S.C. 29/66 del 17 luglio c.a. a firma Ten.Col. Campbell (accluso in copia).

III - Lo S.M.R.E. interessato dallo Stato Maggiore Generale a prendere diretti accordi con codesta Missione, nella considerazione che per il rimpatrio del maggiore Ratti già capo-nucleo del comando divisione "Cuneo" il più elevato in grado rimasto sul posto riveste il grado di capitano, ha fatto le comunicazioni di cui al foglio 9504/SP/2 dell'8 settembre u.s. (accluso in copia).

IV - Allo stato attuale della questione, pur ritenendo che forse sono state incomprensioni da parte dello S.M.R.E., reputo necessario, per ragioni di carattere morale e assistenziale oltre a quelle sopra indicate, provvedere alla assegnazione di un ufficiale

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V - Pertanto prego codesta Missione di compiacersi autorizzare tale assegnazione che sarebbe limitata al solo ufficiale superiore e di compiacersi altresì indicare le modalità per il suo avviamento in Egitto.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(generale G.B. Oxilia)

G. Oxilia

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO ALLA GUERRA
(generale G.B. Oxilia)

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GENERAL STAFF OF THE ARMY
Secretary and Personal Office

n.9504/SP/2 di prot.

P.M.151, 8 September 1944

Subject : Nucleus-head at Command of "CUNEO" Division.

To : Army Sub-Com. A.C.- Rome (reference letter ASC 29/66-17-VII-44
of which copy enclosed)

Attentio of : Ministry of War - Rome
General Staff - P.M. 151

Infantry Colonel (in permanent service) Giuseppe Milazzo has been chosen as the Nucleus-head at the Command of the "CUNEO" Division.

We deem it suitable that:

- a) - 2 officers should be part of the Nucleus; one of them at disposition of Col. MILAZZO and the other one functioning as interpreter. One could be Inf.Capt. (Reserve) Giuseppe Zocco and the second one Inf.Capt. (Reserve) Giorgio Schner.
- b) - the nucleus such constituted should have a juridical position clearly defined from that of those soldiers of the "CUNEO" who, as is known, are still considered as "Cooperating Prisoners".
- c) - the relations, which the head of the nucleus eventually may have with the Italian Authorities, should be settled before.
- d) - Colonel Milazzo should have at his disposition a small fund in local currency.

The officers are ready to leave. We all waiting for directives from the Army Sub-Commission in order to start.

THE GENERAL ATTACHED
(Alessandro Santi)

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Segreteria e Personale

n. 9504/SP/2 di prot.

P.M. 151, 8 settembre 1944

OCCORRENZA: capo nucleo comando divisione "CUNEO"

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.

(rif. f.° A.S.C. 29/66-17-VII-44 che si unisce in copia)

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -

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ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

P.M. 151

Come capo nucleo del comando divisione "Cuneo" è stato prescelto il colonnello di fanteria s.p.e. MILAZZO Giuseppe.

Si rappresenta l'opportunità che:

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- il nucleo così costituito possa avere posizione giuridica nettamente distinta da quella dei militari della "Cuneo" che, come è noto, sono tuttora considerati "prigionieri cooperanti";
- siano fissate le relazioni che il capo nucleo deve eventualmente avere con le autorità italiane;
- il colonnello MILAZZO possa disporre di un piccolo fondo di credito in valuta locale.

Gli ufficiali sono pronti a partire.

Circa le modalità di avviamento si attendono disposizioni da parte di codesta Sottocommissione.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Sarti)

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OGGETTO: capo nucleo comando divisione "CUNEO"

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.

(rif.fo A.S.C. 29/66-17-VII-44 che si unisce in copia)

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e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

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p.c.c.

IL CAPO UFFICIO C.C.C.

Trasf. S.M. Luigi Millesiorini

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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MILITARY SUB COMMISSION

ASC 29/66

July 17th 1944

Subject : Soldiers of the "CUNEO" Division

TO THE SUPREME COMMAND

- 1/. Confirming conversations had with General Infante about the request related in letter 1361/OP dated June 12th 1944 and sent by this Command, that a Colonel should be left as the C.O. of the administrative section of the "CUNEO" Division.
- 2/. I inform you that the A.F.H.Q. agrees with your request, and I ask to let me know your preferences about the Colonel to be sent there

Lt.Colonel J.A.CAMPBELL
Army Sub-Commission

for attention of
Lt.Col. Luigi Millefiorini

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: WMD & IPW S/C

FILE No. IPW/29/77

15 Nov. 44 194

SUBJECT: Cuneo Division

TO: Land Forces S/C(MMIA) Rm 56,7 floor

The attached copies of letters to A.F.H.Q. and from A.F.H.Q. regarding the Commander of the nucleus of the Cuneo Division are forwarded as requested.

J. A. Campbell
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lt.-Colonel
Director WMD & IPW S/C.

Encls.
ASC/29/67 dated 13 July 44.
G-5 091.711-1 dated 7 July 44.

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION
H.Q. ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

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Subject: Soldiers of the Cuneo Division.

ASC/29/67

To : A.F.H.Q., G-5 Section, APO 512.

13 July 1944

1. Ref your 091.711-1 dated 7 July 1944.
2. I have informed the Commando Supremo that you have agreed that a Colonel should remain in charge of the small staff of the Cuneo Division, and have asked if they have any preference as to which Colonel should remain.
3. Ref. para 3 the Memo of 7 March referred to was one address to Allied Control Commission signed by Lt. General J.A.H. CAMPBELL, Chief of Staff.

For Acting Chief Commissioner:

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lt.-Colonel,
Army Sub-Commission

Copy to: (2) Secretary General, H.Q. A.C.C. (For Information)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 091.711-1

7 July 1944

SUBJECT: Soldiers of the Cuneo Division.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to Rear ACC (Army Sub Commission) letter of 21 June on the above subject.

2. Memo of 7 March could not be traced as having been originated by M.G.S. and the matter was referred to G-3. That section also disclaim knowledge of the memo but on the general question state :

"Should the Italian Command consider it advisable to have a Colonel commanding the small staff of the Cuneo Division in the Middle East this section has no objection to such an appointment being made."

3. The above is accordingly passed to you. It would be appreciated however if you could give more precise references to the memo of 7 March including if possible the name, etc., of the officer who signed the memo in order that the section who originated it may be informed of the above.

For Asst. Chief of Staff G-5


T. B. JACKMAN,
Major.



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SUBJECT: Italian CUNEO Division in EGYPT

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. C/6
7 Nov 44

TO : WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL & P.O.W. SUB-COMMISSION A.C.

1. Attached Italian War Ministry letter 302921/C.A. of 23 Oct 44 is forwarded to you for action, since this Sub-Commission does not deal with that part of the Italian Army working for the Allies as co-operators.

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

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SUBJECT:- CUNEO Div HQ "Capo Nucleo"

**Military Mission to
the Italian Army
R O M E**

G/6

17 Sep 44

War Ministry

**Copy to:- Lt Col J.A. Campbell,
WM & PW Sub Commission ACC**

Ref SMRE letter 9504/SP2 of 8 Sep 44, on the above subject.

- 1. The matter has been discussed with Lt Col J.A. CAMPBELL who at the time of his writing his letter ASC/29/66 of 17 July 44 was our representative at our Adv HQ in SALENNO.**
- 2. Col CAMPBELL states that there was never any question of sending an officer or officers from ITALY. A senior officer from the CUNEO Div staff was to be chosen from those with the Division in PALESTINE.**
- 3. No question of transport from ITALY to PALESTINE therefore arises.**

ABC

R. P. S. /v
**Major General
MMIA**

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
-Ufficio Segreteria e Personale-

Nr. 9504/SP2 di prot.

P.N. 151, 8 settembre 1944

OGGETTO : capo nucleo comando divisione "Cuneo".--

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO A.C.C.
(rif. foglio A.S.C. 29/66-17-VII-44 che si unisce
in copia)

e, per conoscenza :

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA -Gabinetto-

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE GENERALE

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Come capo nucleo del comando divisione "Cuneo" è stato pre-
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Si rappresenta l'opportunità che :

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- il nucleo così costituito possa avere posizione giuridica
netamente distinta da quella dei militari della "Cuneo" che,
come è noto, sono tuttora considerati "prigionieri cooperan-
ti" ;

- siano fissate le relazioni che deve eventualmente avere con
le autorità italiane ;

- il colonnello MILAZZO possa disporre di un piccolo fondo di
credito in valuta locale.

Gli ufficiali sono pronti a partire.

Circa le modalità di avviamento si attendono disposizioni da
parte di codesta Sottocommissione.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -

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parte di codesta Sottocommissione.-



IL GENERALE ADDETTO

-Alessandro Santi-



STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Segreteria e personale
N. 9504/SP2 di prot.

P.M. 3 September 1944

To: SUB-COMMISSION FOR THE ARMY
Refer. letter ASO 29/66-
17-7-44, here enclosed

Subject: Chief Nucleus Command Division "Cuneo".

THE Colonel of Inf. MILAZZO Giuseppe has been chosen as Chief Nucleus of Command Division "Cuneo".

- A) 1 officer, who depends on the Colonel Milazzo, and 1 officer interpreter belong to the nucleus. The former could be the Capt. ZOCCHIO Giuseppe, the latter the Capt. SOMMER Giorgio.
- B) The nucleus so formed, may have a juridical position clearly distincted from that of the soldiers of the "Cuneo" which, as we know, are yet considered prisoners "cooperanti".
- C) The communications, which the Chief Nucleus should probably have with the Italian Authorities, are determinated.
- D) The Colonel Milazzo may dispose of a little capital (stock) in local value.

The officers are ready to set off.

About the modalities of setting out, we are waiting for the dispositions from this Sub-Commission.

THE APPLIED GENERAL
Alessandro Santi

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C O P I A

SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ESERCITO

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ASC 29/66

17 luglio 1944.-

OGGETTO: Militari della Divisione "Cuneo".

AL COMANDO SUPREMO

- 1.- A conferma mia conversazione con il generale INFANTE in merito alla richiesta espressa nel foglio 13613/OP. del 12 giugno 1944 di codesto comando, che un colonnello venisse lasciato a capo della sezione amministrativa della divisione "Cuneo".
- 2.- Informo che l'A.F.H.Q. (Comando Forze Alleate) ha aderito a tale richiesta e sarei lieto se codesto comando volesse segnalarmi qualsiasi sua preferenza circa il colonnello da assegnare a tale incarico.

Ten.Col. J.A. CAMPBELL

Sottocommissione Esercito



P.C.C.

IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(Roberto Griglio)

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SUB-COMMISSION ARMY

ASC 29/66

17 July 1944

Subject: Soldiers belonging to the Division "CUNEO".

To: The High Command

- 1/. Confirming my conversation with the General INFANTE about the request, expressed in the letter 13613/OP of June 44 of this Command, a Colonel should be left as a Chief of the Administrative Section of the "Cunco" Division.
- 2/. I inform that the AMHQ adhered to this request and I should be glad if this Command let me know whatever his chosen about the Colonel who should take this charge.

Ten. Col. J.A. CAMPBELL
Sub-Comm. Army

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