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Subject:- Use of Allied Telephone Network by Italian Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/2
16 Mar 45

S.C.M.Sigs, 52 B.L.D.
Ministry of War.

1. Owing to the move of LEGNANO Group from its present location, telephone calls will no longer be possible from Ministry of War.

2. To provide telephone communication for the advance party and subsequently for the Group itself, two calls per day will be permitted from Legnano Group (new location) to SMRE Operations Office, ROME 41398. These calls will not exceed 15 minutes duration and will be originated at 0900 hrs and 2100 hrs at the exchange serving the H.Q. commanding the Group. The calls will be routed via FLORENCE Long Distance and ROME Long Distance. Conversations will be in Italian. NO calls will be permitted from ROME to the Group.

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

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Subject:- Use of Allied Telephone Network by Italian Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/2
2 Mar 45

Signal Officer 53 BLU.
Ministry of War.

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1. Further to this H.Q. X500/2 of 17 Feb 45.

2. Owing to the move of Folgore Group, telephone communication will no longer be available between Ministry of War and the Group.

Folgore Group are permitted, however, to make two calls per day to Rome 41398. These calls will not exceed 15 minutes duration and will be originated by the BLU Signal Office at 0930 hrs and 2030 hrs daily. Calls will be routed via Florence L.D. and Rome L.D. exchanges.

3. The above will be effective from 2 Mar 45.

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Authority Telephone Communications to Italian Combat Groups.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/2

7 Feb 45

Signal Officer 40 ELU
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" " 56 "

1. Further to this H.Q. letter X500/2 of 10 Feb.

Owing to pressure of traffic on the Northbound telephone lines, HQ 15 Army Group have placed further restrictions upon the use of these lines by Italian Groups.

2. The following method and conditions will apply:-

(a) Calls will be set-up daily by the switchboard operator of the H.Qs or formation commanding the Group, at the following times:-

CREMONA Group - Operations Office BARI 0800 hrs 2000 hrs
FRIULI " - " " " 0815 " 2015 "

(b) Calls will be routed via HQ Main EIGHTH Army and HQ 15 Army Group (Filpat), the latter switchboard being able to dial ROME auto direct.

(c) All calls will be limited to 15 minutes duration.

(d) Calls from ROME BARI to the Groups are prohibited.

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HQ No. 2 District can now be obtained by telephone as follows:-

(a) Dial 66145

(b) Dial 03 and ask for 2 District.

S.O.R.Sigs,
M. M. I. A.

17 Feb 45

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Subject:- Telephone Communications to Italian Combat Group H.Qs.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/2
17 Feb 45

MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. Further to this H.Q. letter X500/2 of 10 Feb.

HQ 15 Army Group have placed further restrictions upon the use of these lines owing to pressure of traffic.

2. The following conditions will now apply:-

(a) Two calls per day will be permitted from each Group to SMS (Rome 41398). These calls will be originated by the formation commanding the Group at the following times:-

CREMONA Group to Operations Office (Rome 41398)	0800 hrs.	2000 hrs
FRIULI Group " " "	0815 hrs.	2015 hrs

(b) All calls will be limited to 15 minutes.

(c) All calls from ROME to Groups are prohibited.

(d) Arrangements will automatically be made for the remaining Groups as they move forward.

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for Major General,
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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Use of Allied Telephone Network by Italian Ministry.

Land Forces Sub-Com.A.C.
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MINISTRY OF WAR.
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Copy to: CSO L of C ITALY (Main)
" 1 District
" 2 District
" 3 District
Signal Officer
Rome Area Allied Command.

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CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF	ROME	41571
DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF ..	"	42794
OPERATIONS OFFICE	"	41398
SERVICES OFFICE	"	42485
ORGANISATION OFFICE	"	40893
PERSONNEL OFFICE	"	41965

2. Owing to the restricted line facilities available, communication will be kept to a minimum. Calls will be restricted to the following times daily:- 0800 - 0900 hrs; 1700 - 1800 hrs. Calls will not be originated at other than those times unless the matter is of vital operational urgency.

3. Calls originating from S.M.R.E. must be demanded in ENGLISH, connection should be requested to the B.L.U. of the Group who will then put the call through to the required branch. Calls from Groups to S.M.R.E. should be demanded through the B.L.U.

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Subject:- Telephone Communications -
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Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/2
30 Jan 45

C.S.O., A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- CSO., 1 of 3 Signals, Italy (Bais).
CSO., 1 District.
CSO., 3 District.
Rome Area Allied Command.

1. The Italian Combat Groups (small divisions of 9000 men each) which have been equipped with British weapons and equipment, and trained to fight alongside Allied formations, are now located as follows:

[illegible]	...	Forward Area under V Corps.	
[illegible]	...	" " "	1 Gdn Corps.
[illegible]	...	[illegible]	
[illegible]	...	[illegible]	under training.
[illegible]	...	S. [illegible]	

2. Administration of these formations on the "[illegible]" side, discipline, supply of reinforcements etc., is the responsibility of the S.M.S.E. (Italian General Staff) in ROME. S.M.S.E. is, however, very much handicapped by complete lack of telephone communications.

3. Authority is therefore requested for S.M.S.E. to be able to speak to the H.Q. of the above Combat Groups and vice versa, via the Allied network, to which the British Liaison Unit attached to each Group is already connected. The S.L.U. exchange could then connect the Group. Conversations would be in Italian. Authority is requested for the following specific numbers:

		NOMS
Chief of General Staff	...	41571
Deputy Chief of General Staff..		42794
Operations Office	...	41599
Services Office	...	42485
Organization Office	...	40592
Personnel Office	...	41565

4. In the event of this authority being granted it might be as well to set a limit to the number of calls that could be made, and to

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CHIESA	...	" " " 1 Can Corps.	
LEGNANO	...	RAVA	)
FOLGORE	...	ANGOLI	) under training.
MANTOVA	...	S. GIORGIO	)

2. Administration of these formations on the "A" side, discipline, supply of reinforcements etc., is the responsibility of the S.M.R.E. (Italian General Staff) in ROME. S.M.R.E. is, however, very much handicapped by complete lack of telephone communications.

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Organization Office	...	40853
Personnel Office	...	41965

4. In the event of this authority being granted it might be as well to set a limit to the number of calls that could be made, and to issue some sort of directive on the kind of traffic for which the calls are authorised. Presumably the process of getting a connection would have to be carried out by an English speaker.

5. The question of telephone communication between S.M.R.E. and outlying areas has already been raised by Major Dulveley of M.M.I.A. with Major Campbell in connection with the Italian Reinforcement Depot at CAVIANO (for British service units), and applies equally to similar Depots at AFRAGOLA (NAPLES) and TRANI (BARI).

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Subject:- Formation of Italian Training Centre 29/4

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1. It is felt that the time has arrived when a decision must be taken regarding the future policy to be adopted in the training of Signals personnel of the Italian Army.

2. Italian Army Signals personnel are at the moment required for:-

a) Gruppi di Combattimenti
b) Italian Line Secn. working on the L of C.

Facilities at present existing for training these personnel are:-

a) Italian Line School at Francavilla Fontana
b) Italian Signals School at Nocera Inferiore

The Line School at Francavilla receives a screened intake at the rate of 120 per month. The course is of one month's duration. Trained personnel are sent to CSO 3 District for formation into Sections. A total of 20 Sections are to be formed.

The Signals School at Nocera caters exclusively for the Gruppi di Combattimenti. Only 'refresher' type courses are run at this School; the main object being to accustom Italian Army personnel to use British equipment.

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4. It is felt that the quality and the quantity of training which can be given to the Italian Army, will finally be governed by the availability of training stores. To handle the reinforcements, under the present system, it will be necessary to set up another training establishment. This would be uneconomical both in stores and in manpower.

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a) A signal training centre to carry out basic training of recruits in all signal trades, including artillery and infantry regimental signallers.

b) Three small signal training wings to be attached to the Genio, Artillery and Infantry Holding Bns in the R.T.D. These wings would carry out refresher training only, for trained men ex hospital, for men arriving from the Signal Training Centre during the waiting period prior to posting to units, and thirdly for recruits who are ex Italian signals tradesmen.

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c) It is considered that this system offers the following advantages over the alternative of carrying out specialist training of cadres at a school and basic training within holding Bns.

i) Increased efficiency as the more difficult work, i.e. basic training, would be carried out in one central establishment.

ii) An economy in stores and instructors, as the bulk of the stores and the majority of the instructors would not be dispersed in seperate training establishments.

iii) Easier control of training by a British Liaison Officer.

iv) Greater flexibility as the Signal Training Centre could be expanded to carry out any further training which may become necessary such as for dilution.

6. The attached draft sets out what is considered would be necessary as a War Establishment to cover this scheme. Major items of stores required are shown also those already held. It will be noted that the quantity of additional stores required is small.

7. On formation of the Signal centre the Signal School at Noorea and the Line School at Francavilla would close down. It will be noted that the Line School at Francavilla has not been included in the figures in the draft. If the scheme is approved the School complete with Instructors, trainees and stores would be absorbed and the figures added.

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PROPOSED ORGANISATION FOR AN ITALIAN SIGNALS TRAINING CENTRE.

1. STRENGTH IN STUDENTS.

(a) Appendix 'A' shows details of all signal trades, regimental included, within the Groups, and the numbers required to maintain the Groups at a wastage of 3.18% per month.

(b) This percentage in an average between one period of combat at 4.35% and two periods of rest at 2.6%.

(c) It is assumed that the Training Centre would not be responsible for the training of officers, of the R.E.M.E. equivalent of wireless mechanics for the "tail", nor for drivers, driver mechanics, cipher operators, clerks and other minor trades.

(d) Appendix 'A' is taken as a basis of all calculations for the Training Centre.

2. INTAKE AT THE TRAINING CENTRE.

Appendix 'B' details the monthly intake of students over a period of six months, and the allocation of students to trades.

3. OUTPUT FROM TRAINING CENTRE.

(a) Appendix 'B' shows the estimated dates and output from the Centre of trained students, assuming that training starts on 1st Jan 45.

(b) It is assumed that all men will require training from scratch. If it is found subsequentially that a proportion of students are already basically trained, the output of students would be higher in the earlier stages of development of the Centre.

4. TRAINING COURSES.

(a) It is suggested that the following courses should be provided.

(1) Operators wireless, duration 17 weeks.
(2) Operators line, duration 13 weeks. For lower grade operators with additional knowledge of switchboard operating and signal clerk's duties.
(3) Switchboard operators, duration 4 weeks. For still lower grade operators, with complete knowledge of signal clerk's duties.
(4) Linemen, duration 4 weeks.
(5) Instrument Mechanics, duration 17 weeks.
(6) Electrician signals, duration 8 weeks.
(7) Regimental operators, Arty, duration 13 weeks.
(8) Regimental operators, Inf, duration 13 weeks.
(9) Regimental linemen, duration 4 weeks.
(10) Regimental switchboard operators, duration [illegible]

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(b) Appendix 'C' details the organisation and strength of the various courses, to explain and support the requests for training stores and instructional staff in paras 6 and 7 below.

5. PROGRAMMES.

Block training programmes will be submitted later.

6. TRAINING STORES.

The technical stores considered necessary are detailed in Appendix 'D'.

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7. INSTRUCTIONAL AND ADMIN STAFF (ITALIAN).

(a) Appendix 'E' shows a suggested establishment of Italian Admin and Instructional Staff.

(b) Difficulty may be experienced in finding sufficient instructors trained on British procedure and equipment. Consideration might, therefore, be given to obtaining instructors from the Groups, for the ultimate benefit of all.

8. LIAISON AND INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF (BRITISH).

(a) It is considered that it would be essential to have a small British staff at the Training Centre to supervise the formation of the Centre and the running of it for a certain period. This would be reduced progressively until such time as the Centre might be self-supporting.

(b) Appendix 'F' details the proposed British staff.

9. ACCOMMODATION AND ACCOMMODATION STORES.

(a) A site has not as yet been selected.

(b) Exact estimates of accommodation and accommodation stores can be made subsequently. Provision should be made for the following overall requirements:-

(1) Billetting, mess-rooms and kitchens for about 600 men.
(2) A desirable maximum of 20 small class rooms with seating for about 400 men.
(3) Admin offices and officers quarters.
(4) M.T. workshops, battery charging shops, L.M's workshops and stores.

10. TRAINING WINGS IN REINFORCEMENT DEPOT.

Appendix 'G' details the instructors and stores considered necessary for the execution of limited Signals refresher training in each of the Engineer, Arty and Inf Holding Bns.

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SIGNAL TRADES IN ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS.

TRADE	Total one Group	Total six Groups	Suggested reduction	Reduced total six Groups	Wastage per month at 3.18%	Duration of Course in months (basic training) X monthly wastage	= total at Centre at one time exclusive of wastage
Operators Wireless	89	534	-	534	17	4 x 17	68
Operators Line	39	234	-	234	8	3 x 8	24
Switchboards Operators	15	90	-	90	3	1 x 3	3
Linemen	43	258	-	258	8	1 x 8	8
Despatch Riders	25	150	-	150	5	2 x 5	10
Instrument Mechanics	16	96	-	96	3	4 x 3	12
Electrician Signals	11	66	-	66	2	2 x 2	4
Regt Ops. Arty	216	1296	432	864	27	3 x 27	81
Regt Ops. Inf.	228	1368	-	1368	45	3 x 45	135
Regt Lineman Arty. Inf.	250	1500	375	1125	36	1 x 36	36
(+) Subd Ops. Arty. Inf.	83	498	-	498	16	1 x 16	16
TOTALS	1015	6090	807	5283	170		397

(+) To be combined with Switchboard Operators course of Genio.

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APPENDIX 'A'

SIGNAL TRADES IN ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS.

Suggested reduction	Reduced total sig Groups	Wastage per month at 3.18%	Duration of Course in months (basic training) X monthly wastage	= total at Centre at one time exclusive of wastage	Add 10% for normal wastage and rejects in training	INTAKE
-	534	17	4 x 17	68	75	¼ every month
-	234	8	3 x 8	24	27	total every 3 months
-	90	3	1 x 3	3	4	" " 1 "
-	258	8	1 x 8	8	9	" " 1 "
-	150	5	2 x 5	10	11	" " 2 "
-	96	3	4 x 3	12	13	" " 4 "
-	66	2	2 x 2	4	5	" " 2 "
432	864	27	3 x 27	81	89	⅓ every 1 month
-	1368	45	3 x 45	135	148	" " " "
375	1125	36	1 x 36	36	40	Total every month
-	498	16	1 x 16	16	18	" " "
807	5283	170		397	439	

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INTAKE AND OUTPUT OF STUDENTS TO THE ITALIAN SIGNAL TRAINI

TRADE	INTAKE							OUTPUT					
	1st Jan	1st Feb	1st Mar	1st Apr	1st May	1st Jun		End Jan 45	End Feb 45	End Mar 45	End Apr 45	End May 45	
Operators wireless	19	19	19	19	19	19		-	-	-	17	17	
Operators Line	27	-	-	27	-	-		-	-	24	-	-	
Switchboard Operators	4	4	4	4	4	4		3	3	3	3	3	
Linemen	9	9	9	9	9	9		8	8	8	8	8	
Despatch Riders	11	-	11	-	11	-		-	10	-	10	-	1
Instrument Mechanics	13	-	-	-	13	-		-	-	-	12	-	
Electrician Signals	5	-	5	-	5	-		-	4	-	4	-	
Regt. Ope Arty.	30	30	30	30	30	30		-	-	27	27	27	27
Regt. Ope. Inf.	49	49	49	49	49	49		-	-	45	45	45	45
Regt. Linemen. Arty. Inf.	40	40	40	40	40	40		36	36	36	36	36	36
Swbd Ope. Arty. Inf.	18	18	18	18	18	18		16	16	16	16	16	16
	225	169	185	196	198	169		63	77	159	178	152	190

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APPENDIX 'B'

INTAKE AND OUTPUT OF STUDENTS TO THE ITALIAN SIGNAL TRAINING CENTRE.

INTAKE					OUTPUT								
1st Feb	1st Mar	1st Apr	1st May	1st Jun	End Jan 45	End Feb 45	End Mar 45	End Apr 45	End May 45	End Jun 45	End Jul 45	End Aug 45	End Sep 45
9	19	19	19	19	-	-	-	17	17	17	17	17	17
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	185	196	198	169	63	77	159	178	152	190	152	178	176

APPENDIX 'C'

ORGANISATION OF TRAINING COURSES.

1. OPERATING WING

(a) Operators Wireless. O.C. 1 Officer.

Strength. 4 courses x 19 students

Instructors. 4 Officers. 4 NCO's.

Stores. W.T. Sets No. 19 9 + 1 reserve = 10
W.T. Sets No. 22 9 + 1 reserve = 10

Allowing two men the exclusive use of either 1 No.19 set or 1 No.22 Set every 2 days.

The 6 W.T.Sets No.9 already issued to the School would be used for additional practise and training schemes.

Trucks	15 cwt G.S. Class V.	6
Motorcycles		1

(b) Operators Line.

Strength. 2 simultaneous courses x 14 students.

Instructors. 2 Officers. 2 NCO's.

Stores.

Fullerphones	30
Swbds UC 10 line	2
Coils C.161	2
Superposing units 3 trans	2
Frames D.P. 10 wire sets	2
Boxes terminal Signal Office	2
Tele Sets D.V.	15

All the above items would be shared with the Swbd operators course.

(c) Switchboard Operators (Genie and Regimental)

Strength. 1 course of 22 men

Instructors. 1 Officer. 2 NCO's

Stores. See (b) above with additional:

Switchboard 40 line F & F	1
Frames 40 Pr.	1
Switchboards UC 10 line	2
Teles D.V.	15
" 'F'	6
" 'L'	2
Coils C.161	2

2. LINE WING. O.C. 1 Officer

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	[illegible] G.S. Cable V.	6
	Motorcycles	1

(b) Operators Line.

Strength.	2 simultaneous courses x 14 students.	
Instructors.	2 Officers. 2 NCO's.	
Stores.	Fullerphones	30
	Swbds UC 10 line	2
	Coils C.161	2
	Superposing units 3 trans	2
	Frames D.P. 10 wire sets	2
	Boxes terminal Signal Office	2
	Tele Sets D.V.	15

All the above items would be shared with the Swbd operators course.

(c) Switchboard Operators (Genie and Regimental)

Strength.	1 course of 22 men	
Instructors.	1 Officer. 2 NCO's	
Stores.	See (b) above with additional:	
	Switchboard 40 line F & F	1
	Frames 40 Pr.	1
	Switchboards UC 10 line	2
	Teles D.V.	15
	" 'F'	6
	" 'L'	2
	Coils C.161	2

2. LINE WING. O.C. 1 Officer

(a) Lineman's Course

Strength.	1 course x 9 men		
Instructors.	2 NCO's		
Stores.	Mech. Cable Layer No.1		1
	Barrows Drum		2
	Apparatus Cable Laying No.3.		1
	Cable W 110 S	miles	15
	" W 110 T	"	10
	Cable D.VIII Twisted	"	5
	" " Single	"	5
	Tele L		2
	Test Sets Portable No.2		2
	Lorries 3 ton G.S.		2
	Motorcycles		2

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APPENDIX 'C' (Sheet 2)

ORGANISATION OF TRAINING COURSES (Contd)

2. LINE WING.

(b) Despatch Riders Course.

Strength. 2 courses x 6 (to run concurrently)

Instructors. 3 NCO's.

Stores. Motor cycles 8
Tool Chest, M.T. 1

3. I.M's WING AND TECHNICAL MAINTENANCE SECTION. T.M.O. - 1 Officer.

(a) I.M's Course.

Strength. 1 course x 13 men

Instructors. 1 Officer. 2 N.C.O's.

(b) E.S. Course.

Strength. 1 course x 5 men

Instructors. 2 N.C.O's.

Stores. To be shared by the two courses and at the same time provide for the T.M.Section of the Centre.

Charging Sets 4 K.w. 1
" " 1260 w. 2
" " 300 w. 2
Instruments Testing No.1. 4
Avometers 1
Avominors 4
Chests filled I.M. 2

4. REGIMENTAL SIGNALLERS WING. 1 Officer. O.C.

(a) Wireless Operators, Artillery.

Strength. 3 courses x 30 men

Instructors. 3 Officers. 3 N.C.O's.

Stores. W.T.Sets No.11 9 1 reserve 10
W.T.Sets No.21 9 1 reserve 10
Allowing two men the exclusive use of either one No.11 Set or one No.21 Set every 2 to 3 days.
Trucks 15 cwt GS, Class V. 4
to make 10 with those of the Operators course.
Motor cycles 1

(b) Wireless Operators, Infantry.

Instructors. 1 Officer. 2 N.C.O's.

(b) E.S. Course.

Strength. 1 course x 5 men

Instructors. 2 N.C.O's.

Stores. To be shared by the two courses and at the same time provide for the T.M.Section of the Centre.

Charging Sets 4 K.w.	1
" " 1260 w.	2
" " 300 w.	2
Instruments Testing No.1.	4
Avometers	1
Avominors	4
Chests filled I.M.	2

4. REGIMENTAL SIGNALLERS WING. 1 Officer. O.C.

(a) Wireless Operators, Artillery.

Strength. 3 courses x 30 men

Instructors. 3 Officers. 3 N.C.O's.

Stores. W.T.Sets No.11 9 1 reserve 10
W.T.Sets No.21 9 1 reserve 10
Allowing two men the exclusive use of either one No.11 Set or one No.21 Set every 2 to 3 days.

Trucks 15 cwt GS. Class V.	4
to make 10 with those of the Operators course.	
Motor cycles	1

(b) Wireless Operators, Infantry.

Strength. 6 courses x 25 men

Instructors. 6 Officers. 6 N.C.O's.

Stores. W.T. Sets No. 18 and 48 2 x 12 + 2 = 30
Allowing two men the exclusive use of one 18 Set every 3 days.

Lamps SIBR	13
Lorries 3 ton	2

(c) Regimental Linemen.

Strength. 2 courses x 20 men (running concurrently)

Instructors. 1 Officer. 4 N.C.O's.

Stores. Apparatus Cable laying No.2 or 6.20

Tele Sets D.V.	4
Cable D.III. Single miles	15

(d) Switchboard Operators - Regimental. (See para 1 (c) above.

5. GENERAL STORES FOR EQUIPPING CLASS ROOMS. 1168

Buzzers Signal Training	40
W.T. Training Sets	4

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APPENDIX 'D'

LIST OF TRAINING STORES AND VEHICLES FOR ITALIAN SIGNAL TRAINING CENTRE.

DESIGNATION	Total	Held or Released	Required
Wireless Sets No. 9.	6	6	-
11.	10	-	10
18 and 48	30	15	15
19	10	10	-
21	10	10	-
22	10	10	-
Charging Sets 4 K.w.	1	-	1
1260 w.	2	3	-
300 w.	2	-	2
Instruments Test No.1.	4	-	4
Test Sets Portable No.2 or E.E. 65.1.	2	2	-
Avometers Universal	1	-	1
Avominors	4	2	2
Chests, filled, I.M.	2	-	2
Wavemeters, Class 'D'	3	2	1
Lamps SIBER with tripods	13	10	3
Tool Chests, M.T.	2	-	2
Switchboards U.C. 10 line	4	2	2
F & F	1	-	1
Telephones D.V.	40	40	-
F or Telephones E.E.8A.	6	6	-
L	4	-	4
Fullerphones	30	30	-
Coils C.161 or superposing units 1 transformer	4	2	2
Superposing units 3 transformer	2	2	-
Frames D.P. 10 wire (sets)	2	-	2
" 40 pair	1	-	1
Boxes Terminal Signal Office	2	-	2
Connectors 5 pairs (red)	2	-	2
" " " (black)	2	-	2
Cable D.VIII twisted (miles))	5	-	5
single ") Can be	5	-	5
D.III single ") old	15	-	15
Cable W 110 S ") recovered	15	15	-
W 110 T ") cable	10	10	-
Stay Wire 4/8 or BB 11. "	1	-	1
Drums Cable No. 7	8	-	8
No. 5	15	-	15
Reels Cable No.1.	45	-	45
Mechanical Cable Layer No.1	1	-	1
Barrows Drum	3	5	-
Apparatus Cable Laying No.3	1	-	1
" " " No. 2 or 6	20	-	20
Climbers (prs)			

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Wavemeters, Class 'D'	2	-	2
Lamps SBSR with tripods	3	2	1
Tool Chests, M.T.	13	10	3
Switchboards U.C. 10 line	2	-	2
F & F	4	2	2
Telephones D.V.	1	-	1
F or Telephones E.E.8A.	40	40	-
L	6	6	-
Fullerphones	4	-	4
Coils C.161 or superposing units 1 transformer	30	30	-
Superposing units 3 transformer	4	2	2
Frames D.P. 10 wire (sets)	2	2	-
" 40 pair	2	-	2
Boxes Terminal Signal Office	1	-	1
Connectors 5 pairs (red)	2	-	2
" " " (black)	2	-	2
Cable D.VIII twisted (miles))	2	-	2
single ") Can be	5	-	5
D.III single ") old	5	-	5
Cable W 110 S ") recovered	15	-	15
W 110 T ") cable	15	15	-
Stay Wire 4/8 or BB 11. "	10	10	-
Drums Cable No. 7	1	-	1
No. 5	8	-	8
Reels Cable No.1.	15	-	15
Mechanical Cable Layer No.1	45	-	45
Barrows Drum	1	-	1
Apparatus Cable Laying No.3	3	5	-
" " " No. 2 or 6	1	-	1
Climbers (prs)	20	-	20
Poles tele. wood light. 17' 0"	4	-	4
Ladders Field Tele	20	-	20
Belts, Lineman	2	-	2
Frogs, pliers	50	-	50
Pliers, side cutting 7"	50	-	50
Belts lineman safety	50	-	50
Buzzers Signal Training	4	-	4
W.T. Training Sets	40	40	-
Pins, earth	4	-	4
Pipes, earth	20	-	20
	6	-	6

VEHICLES (INCL THOSE NECESSARY FOR ADMIN OF CENTRE).

Cars	1	-	1
Trucks 15 cwt GS Class V	10	2	8
3 ton " " "	7	3	4
Motor Cycles	14	1	13

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APPENDIX 'B'

PROPOSED WAR ESTABLISHMENT - ITALIAN SIGNALS TRAINING CENTRE.

DETAIL DETTAGLI		H.Q. Comando	Operators Wing Sezione Marconisti	Line & L.Rs Wing Sezione Guardiafili Motociclisti	Regimental Wing Sezione Reggimentale	Technical Maintenance Wing. Sezione Manutenzione Tecnica	Total. Totale
Commandant (Lt.Col).	Commandante (Ten.Col)	1					1
Adjutant	Aiutante	1					1
Subaltern	Subalterno	1					1
Quartermaster	Ufficiale ai rifornimenti	1					1
Technical Maint.Off.	Ufficiale Addetto al mantenimento					1	1
Medical Officer	Ufficiale Medico	1					1
Instructors	Istruttori		8	1	11	1	21
Total Officers	Totale Ufficiali	5	8	1	11	2	27
Regimental Sjt. Major.	Maresciallo Comandante	1					1
Regimental Quarter-Master Serjeant	Sergente Maggiore di Maggio Rita	1					1
Company Serjeant Major	Sottufficiale di Contabilitia		1		1		2
Company Quarter-Master Sjt (Foreman of Signals)	Serg. Magg. Capo Ufficio Collegamenti					1	1
Company Quarter Master Sjt	Sottufficiale ai viveri e materiale	1					1
Serjeants (Orderly Room)	Sergenti (Furieria)	1					1
" (Cook)	" (Ranciere)	1					1
" (Instrument Mech)	" (Radiomontatore)					1	1
" (Operator)	" (Marconiste)		3		3		6
" (Linesman)	" (Guardafili)			1	1		2
" (Despatch Rider)	" (Motociclista)			1			1
" (Fitter M.V.)	" (Meccanico)					1	1
Total W.O.Staff Sjts & Sjts.	Totale Sottufficiali	5	4	2	5	3	19
Corporals (Instrument Mech)	Caporali (Radiomontatore)					3	3

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Subaltern	Subalterno	1					1
Quartermaster	Ufficiale ai rifornimenti	1					1
Technical Maint. Off.	Ufficiale Addetto al mantenimento					1	1
Medical Officer	Ufficiale Medico	1					1
Instructors	Istruttori		8	1	11	1	21
Total Officers	Totale Ufficiali	5	8	1	11	2	27
Regimental Sjt. Major.	Maresciallo Comandante	1					1
Regimental Quarter-Master Serjeant	Sergente Maggiore di Maggio Rita	1					1
Company Serjeant Major	Sottufficiale di Contabilitis		1		1		2
Company Quarter-Master Sjt (Foreman of Signals)	Serg. Magg. Capo Ufficio Collegamenti					1	1
Company Quarter Master Sjt	Sottufficiale ai viveri e materiale	1					1
Serjeants (Orderly Room)	Sergenti (Furerie)	1					1
" (Cook)	" (Rancierе)	1					1
" (Instrument Mech)	" (Radiomontatore)					1	1
" (Operator)	" (Marconiste)		3		3		6
" (Lineman)	" (Guardafili)			1	1		2
" (Despatch Rider)	" (Motociclista)			1			1
" (Fitter M.V.)	" (Meccanico)					1	1
Total NCOs. Staff Sjts & Sjts.	Totale Sottufficiali	5	4	2	5	3	19
Corporals (Instrument Mech)	Caporali (Radiomontatore)					3	3
" (Cook)	" (Rancierе)	3					3
" (Operators)	" (Marconiste)		5		6		11
" (Lineman)	" (Guardafili)			1	3		4
" (Despatch Rider)	" (Motociclista)			2			2
" (Clerk)	" (Scritturale)	1					1
" (Sanitary)	" (Addetto Alle Disinfezioni)	1					1
" (Storeman)	" (Magazziniere)	1	1	1	1		4
Signalmen	Radiotelegrafisti	48	1	1	1	6	57
Drivers	Autisti	19					19
Total Rank and File	Totale Soldati	73	7	5	11	9	105
Total Other Ranks	Totale Sottufficiali e truppi	78	11	7	16	12	124
Total All Ranks	Totale Ufficiali, Sottufficiale e truppi	83	19	8	27	14	151

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Distribution of Rank and File by Trades - Distribuzione delle truppe secondo le cariche

Detail	Dettagli	Headquarters Comando	Operator's Wing Sezione Marconisti	Line and D.R. Wing Sezione Guardafili Motociclisti	Regimental Wing Sezione Reggimentale	Technical Maint Wing Sezione Manutenzione Tecnica	Total Totale
Operators	Marconisti		5		6		11
Clerks	Scritturali	2	1	1	1	1	6
Fitters M.V.	Meccanici					3	3
Instrument Mechanics	Radiomontatori					5	5
Linemen	Guardafili			1	3		4
Draughtsman	Disegnatore	1					1
Despatch Riders	Motociclisti	2		2			4
Driver Mechanics	Autisti Meccanici	3					3
Storemen	Magazzinieri	1	1	1	1		4
Cooks	Cuochi	9					9
Medical Orderly	Aiutante di Sanita	2					2
General Duties	Servizi Vari	30					30
Sanitary	Addetti alle disinfezioni	1					1
Drivers i.c.	Autisti	16					16
Batmen	Attendenti	6					6
Total Rank & File	Totale Truppe	73	7	5	11	9	105

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Operators	Marconisti		5		6		11
Clerks	Scritturali	2	1	1	1	1	6
Fitters M.V.	Meccanici					3	3
Instrument Mechanics	Radiomontatori					5	5
Linemen	Guardafili			1	3		4
Draughtsman	Disegnatore	1					1
Despatch Riders	Motociclisti	2		2			4
Driver Mechanics	Autisti Meccanici	5					3
Storemen	Magazzinieri	1	1	1	1		4
Cooks	Rancieri	9					9
Medical Orderly	Aiutante di Sanita	2					2
General Duties	Servizi Vari	30					30
Sanitary	Addetti alle disinfezioni	1					1
Drivers L.C.	Autisti	16					16
Batmen	Attendenti	6					6
Total Rank & File	Totale Truppe	73	7	5	11	9	105

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APPENDIX 'F'

SUGGESTED BRITISH LIAISON OFFICE.

Officer (Capt)	1
Clerk (L/Cpl)	1
Lwr/Batman	1

TRANSPORT.

Truck 4 x 2 8 cwt	1

STORES (L 1398)

Typewriter	1
Duplicator	1
Stationery.	

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Typewriter	1
Duplicator	1
Stationery.	

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SIGNALS TRAINING WING - REINFOR CEMENT DEPOT.

	Engineer Bn	Arty Bn	Inf Bn	Total
1. INSTRUCTORS.				
Officers	1	1	1	3
N.C.O's (Operators)	4	4	4	12
" (Linemen)	1	2	2	5
" (I.M's)	1	1	-	2
2. STORES.				
Wireless Sets No. 19	2	-	-	2
21	-	3	-	3
22	2	3	-	5
18 or 48	-	-	10	10
Wavemeters Class 'D'	1	1	-	2
Switchboards U.C. 10 line	1	1	1	3
Telephones D.V.	6	6	6	18
Charging Sets 1260 w.	1	1	-	2
Lamps SBR	-	-	4	4
Fullerphones	2	-	2	4
Coils C.161	2	-	2	4
Cable D.VIII Twisted or W 110 T (miles)	2	-	-	2
Cable D.VIII Single or W 110 S (")	2	-	-	2
Cable D.III Single "	2	5	5	12
Cases, tools, I.M., Filled	1	1	-	2
Drums, Cable No. 7	3	-	-	3
No. 5	2	5	5	12
Reels Cable No.1	-	6	6	12
Barrows Drum	1	1	-	2 (2 hel
Apparatus cable laying No.3.	1	-	-	1
No. 2 or 6	-	4	4	8
Ladders Field Tele	1	-	-	1
Belts Linemen	6	6	6	18
Frogs, pliers	6	6	6	18
Pliers Side cutting 7"	6	6	6	18
Buzzers Signal Training	10	10	10	30
Pins, earth, small.	6	6	6	18
Pipes, earth	2	-	2	4
3. TRANSPORT.				
Motor Cycles	4	-	-	4

22	-	5	-	5	
18 or 48	-	-	10	10	
Wavemeters Class 'D'	1	1	-	2	
Switchboards U.C. 10 line	1	1	1	3	
Telephones D.V.	6	6	6	18	
Charging Sets 1260 w.	1	1	-	2	
Lamps SIBR	-	-	4	4	
Fullerphones	2	-	2	4	
Coils C.161	2	-	2	4	
Cable D.VIII Twisted or W 110 T (miles)	2	-	-	2	
Cable D.VIII Single or W 110 S (")	2	-	-	2	
Cable D.III Single "	2	5	5	12	
Cases, tools, I.M., Filled	1	1	-	2	
Drums, Cable No. 7	3	-	-	3	
No. 5	2	5	5	12	
Reels Cable No.1	-	6	6	12	
Barrows Drum	1	1	-	2	(2 hal
Apparatus cable laying No.3.	1	-	-	1	
No. 2 or 6	-	4	4	8	
Ladders Field Tele	1	-	-	1	
Belts Linemen	6	6	6	18	
Frogs, pliers	6	6	6	18	
Pliers Side cutting 7"	6	6	6	18	
Buzzers Signal Training	10	10	10	30	
Pins, earth, small.	6	6	6	18	
Pipes, earth	2	-	2	4	

3. TRANSPORT.

Motor Cycles	4	-	-	4

NOTE: - It is assumed that all admin staffs and admin vehicles will be found from the admin coys of the Holding Bns.

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SUBJECT: Promotion - Officers I.C.G.

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Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(N.W.I.A.)
S/G/29/4.
3 Jan 45.

To: MMIA LO 50 B.L.U.

Captain PICCONI, R. - 26 Gov.

Ref your A/1/16 dated 23 Dec 44.

1. This H.Q. has already replied to the recommendation for promotion of the above named officer.
Our S/G/29/4 of 10 Dec and S/G/29/4 of 3 Nov 44 refer.

2. Promotion below the rank of Lt Col is a question for the M of W, although the O.C. B.L.U. can recommend promotion for any officer below the rank of Lt Col to the Group Commander.
The Italians have not yet adopted the British system of rank according to the appointment.
As far as N.W.I.A. is concerned it is a matter for the Italians to decide whether this Company should be commanded by a Captain or a Major.

W Priddy Brig
for Major General.
N.W.I.A.

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50 Brit Liaison Unit

SUBJECT : Promotion - Offrs - ICG

A/1/16

23 Dec 44

MMIA

Capt PICCONI, 20 Sigs Coy

The above named offr, having carried out his duties in an eminently satisfactory manner, it was desired to promote him to maj, as the WE in English gives the Coy CO as a maj. Against this, the WE in Italian makes him a capt. May I please be informed which is correct.

Whichever WE is correct, may you assistance please be given to secure promotion for PICCONI at least analogous to the promotion capt - brevet maj.

It is most important that PICCONI be maintained as CO and that we avoid, if the WE in English is correct, another offr of the rank of maj being sent here to take over comd.

Attached please find copy of HQs reply to our request for promotion for this offr.

M. Fuldner

Maj
ADAAG

CAF
MF/SYB

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COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO FRIULI
Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore
Sez 2 - Personale e Segreteria.

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No. 11610/P3 di prot PM 79 December 16th 1944

SUBJECT : Officers Promotion.

TOTTHE GSO I 50 BLU

(In reply to f. A/1/16 dated the 14th inst).

Referring to your request regarding Engrs Capt (Regular Army) PICCONI Bernardino, first of all we would point out that Italian Establishment for Combat Groups prescribes that the Commander of the Wireless Company must be a Captain and not a Major.
Furthermore, promotion of Officers in the Italian Army has been temporarily suspended, exception being made only for gallantry in action.
This HQ regrets, therefore, their inability to grant the request made in your above mentioned communication.
This matter could, however, be recondidered once the Group has taken part in action.
In the meantime, the Commanding General has had Captain PICCONI Specially Mentioned, in consideration of the report made by your Command.

IL TEN COL CAPO DI SM
G. VEDOVATO

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SUBJECT: Italian Officers Promotion - Capt. BERNARDINO PICCIONE

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. S/G/29/4
6 Dec 44

TO : O.C. 50 BLU

Ref your A/S/11 of 2 Dec 44.

1. This HQ letter S/G/29/4 of 1st November (copy attached for easy reference) was written in reply to your above quoted letter.

2. It is requested that you will please take action as indicated therein, in respect of the above named officer.

Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Subject:- Promotion Officers - Italian.

HQ MMTA.

50 British Liaison Unit
A/2/11
2 Dec 44.

Capitano Bernardino Piccione.

Ref this office letter A/2/11 dated 25 Oct 44 forwarding recommendation for promotion of the above named officer, copy attached for easy reference.

When may an answer or any action on this matter be expected please?.

CMF.

Lt Col,
GS.

Copy to:- A/1/16

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Promotion of Officers.

50 British Liaison Unit

GSO 1
50 B L U

25 Oct 44.

Cap. PICCONE commands the 20th Coy Teleradio of the Engr Bn of the 1st Gruppo di Combattimento.

This Officer has been responsible for the training and reorganisation of the Signals Coy during the past two months and has made a very successful job of it under the circumstances.

This work entailed the formation of Regimental Signals platoons, a completely new venture for the Italian Signals. Furthermore, the company was only half strength to begin with and it has been necessary to sort out and dispose of 200 reinforcements.

The discipline and keeness of the men under his command has been excellent.in spite of the fact that they had insufficient clothing, blankets, boots and tentage and were living in a muddy field.

On the establishment, a Major commands the Signal Coy, and in view of the fact that he is virtually an O C Divisional Signals I consider that a Captains rank is insufficient.

I strongly recommend that the above named Officer is promoted to Major in the Italian Army.

(Sgd) J.H. GREPE. Capt,
S O Sigs.

CMF.

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMLA

TO (ACTION) : AFHQ

(INFO) : A.G. SARDINIA

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SD 1835

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

Ref FX52194 of 13 Cite FHSIG (.) Only Sigs units Sardinia are the following (.) ONE 69 Telegrafisti Coy now on mainland in employment BENEVENTO (.) TWO 99 Telegrafisti Coy needed for GRUPPI shortly (.) May they please be allotted and priority for move to mainland for Gruppi end December arranged

PRECEDENCE Routine

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MAIA

TO : 50 BLU

21 1635A 29/4

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For DAQMG and SIGNALS (.) Ref our S/AQ/9 of 19 (.) All excess Italian Signal stores will be handed over to MANTOVA (.) Will NOT be returned to Rome Genio Stores (.) SMRE issuing similar instructions to Group

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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Copy to: Spec Sec.

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Subject:- Signal Stores for Italian Signal School.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
X311/1
19 NOV 44

D.M.T.,
A.F.H.Q.

Copies to: CSO. AFHQ.
Gred 13 AFHQ

Reference visit of Capt. Ilkington to your office on 12 Nov and subsequent conversations Capt Botting - Capt Ilkington.

The Italian Signal School has been established at NOCERA INFERIORE for the purpose of training personnel from the Gruppi di Combattimenti.

It is, however, proving very difficult to carry out efficient training at this School owing to the shortage of signal equipment and transport.

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A list of stores required is attached. These stores will enable the School to carry out the courses already planned.

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

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Stores required by Italian Signal School.

Wireless Set No.21. Ground station	10	
Charging Set 4 K.w.	1	(No charging can be (done at the School
" " 1260 watt	2	(at present as no (charging engines (are held.
A.C.L. No.2.	5	
A.C.L. No.3.	5	
Drum barrows	5	
Teles D.V.	20	
Fullerphones	12	
Lamps S.D.S.R.	10	(released under (your DMT/117/7/MT2
Buzzers Signal Training	40	(but not received (by School.
Mechanical Cable Layer	1	- do -
Boxes, Terminal, Signal Office	2	- do -
Frames D & R, 10 Line	2	

The School at present has no transport except one Italian lorry.

Transport requirements are:-

3 Ton G.S. Lorries	4
15 cwt G.S. Trucks	4

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

GABINETTO

N. di prot. 304107/C.A. 317-V-8 P.M. 151 li 10 novembre 1944

OGGETTO: istruttori gruppo combattimento "Legnano" distaccati presso scuola collegamenti italiana di Nocera Inferi

Instructors for Combat Group of Italian School of Communication

ALLA M. M. I. A. ROMA

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noted OK

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

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MESSAGE FORM

KRMM FROM : NMIA 05 10 50 A

TO (Action): 50.51.52.53.54 MLO

(Info) : Spec Sec.

5 Nov

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For Signal Officer (.) Question of distribution of Signal equipment within Grapp1 will be discussed at conference here 11 NOV (.) Bring for discussion your Signal plan showing allocation to Arty. Inf. etc of Signal equipment (.) All informed

PRECEDENCE: 1153

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SECRET

Subject:- 'Q' Code - Italian.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
S/X502/4
5 Nov 44

C.S.O., A.A.I.

Copy to: C.S.O., A.F.H.Q.

5 Nov

1. Enclosed herewith a copy of the Italian 'Q' Code. It would be appreciated if this can be "vetted" and passed as fit for use by the Gruppi.

2. At the last Conference held of B.L.N. officers, a procedure for use within the Gruppi was agreed upon.

3. As the production of this procedure depends upon the 'Q' code being suitable for use, it would be appreciated if the matter could be treated as urgent.

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

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Subject:- Pigeon Loft.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
X500/7
4 Nov 44.

21 (A) Section, Carrier Pigeon, R.Signals,
C.M.F.

Copy to C.S.O., A.A.I.
Spec Sec. M.M.I.A.

5 Nov

Reference your 85/75 of 30 Oct.

1. The question of attaching pigeon lofts to the tail of the Gruppi has been discussed with CSO AAI (Lt.Col.Vulliamy - Major Calwaley).

2. AAI do not consider the addition of pigeon lofts to the tail of the Gruppi to be advisable. These Gruppi will function under command of Corps or Army, and will therefore, be able to demand pigeons as necessary, in the same way as British division at the moment.

3. Will you please arrange to take over the lofts and pigeons as detailed in previous correspondence. If left, as at present, in small numbers scattered around the various parts of the Italian Army, the question of feeding will undoubtedly present difficulties.

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

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Subject : Signs and Signals.

N.M.A. SECRET

50 British Liaison Unit.

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Ref G/5/16.

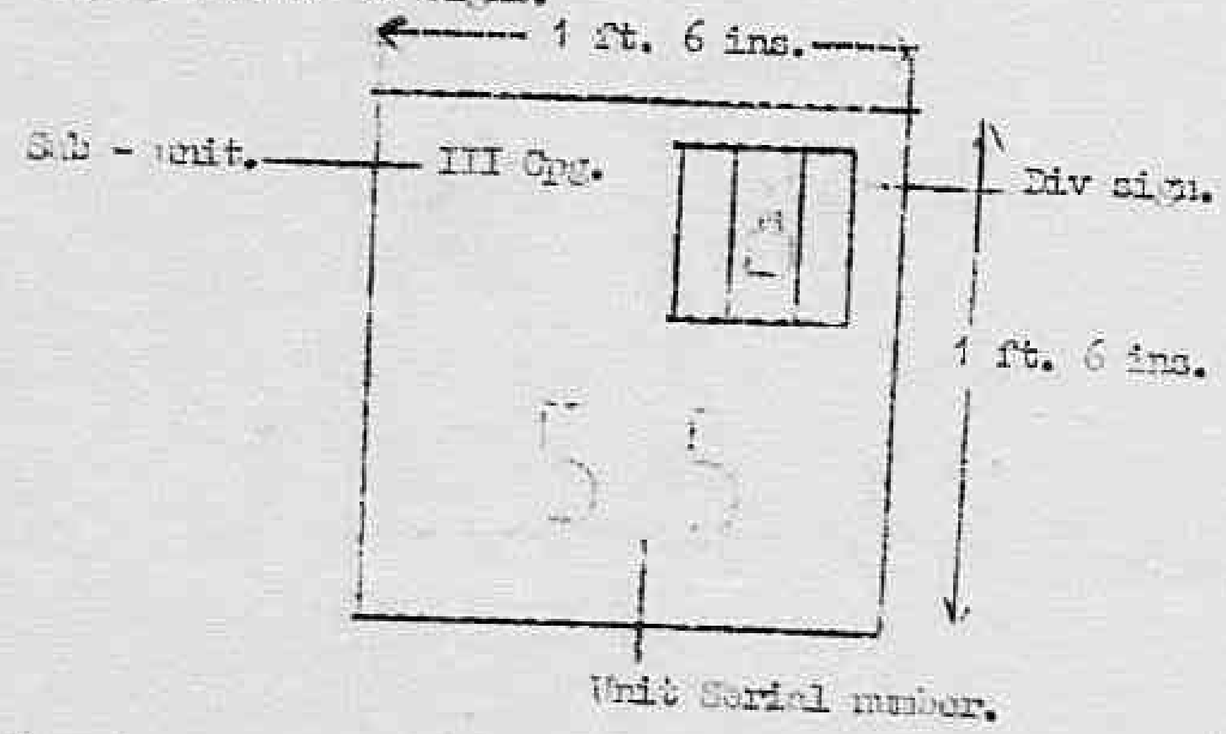
2 Nov 44.

Capo di S.M.

(1) Unit Signs.

All units should prepare metal signs which will be used to signpost their loon. These signs should be posted as soon as a unit takes up a new posn.

(a) General details of signs.



The above would be III Coy of I Btg of 87 Regt of ROYAL DIV.

(2) Br. classn.

(a) A veh may cross only brs bearing class'n numbers which are the same or greater than its own classn. If vehs are overloaded - which they should NOT normally be, they will cross only brs with a higher classn than their own.

(b) There should be at least 30 yds between vehs when crossing brs., except when towing and in the latter case towing and towed vehs are considered as one, and on all - in class'n applies.

(c) All brs are marked with appropriate class'n sign.

(d)

Vehs.	Br. Class'n.
5 Cwt 4 x 4.	1.
Car 2 str 4 x 2.	2.
Car 4 str 4 x 2.	2.
Car Lt. Recce.	3.
Truck 8 Cwt 4 x 2 Personnel.	3.
Truck 8 Cwt 4 x 2 W/T.	2.
Truck 8 Cwt 4 x 4 W/T.	3.
Truck 15 Cwt.	4. (or 3)
Lorry 30 Cwt.	5.
Lorry 3 Ton 4 x 4 Ford.	7. } All others same or less.
Lorry 3 Ton 4 x 4 Dodge.	8. }
Lorry 3 Ton 6 x 4.	9. (or less)
Lorry 3 Ton Crane.	10.
Lorry 3 Ton Mechy Trsp store etc.	9. (or less)

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Lorry 3 Ton Crane.	10.
Lorry 3 Ton Mady Wasp store etc.	9. (or less)
Lorry 6 Ton.	13.
Lorry 6 Ton Leyland.	14.
Tractor 4 x 4 F.A.	6.
Tractor 4 x 4 L.A.A.	6.
Tractor 6 x 4 Sidown.	12.
Scammell	14.
Tractor trailer Bedford Scammell.	10.
Ambulance Lt.	3.
Ambulance Hy.	4.
White half track.	6.
40 mm with Tractor.	6/6. (Tractor plus Gun)
6 pdr with Lloyd.	4/4.
17 pdr with Tractor.	6/5.
25 pdr.	9/6.
2 Trailers F.A.	5/5.

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All two wheeled trailers other than F/A are NOT more than class'n 2.

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SHEET 2.

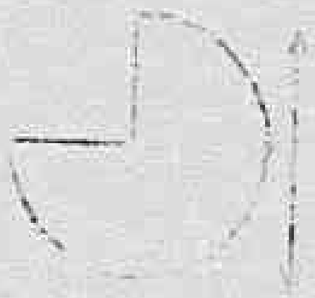
(1) Ground Indicator Code.

When aircraft require units on the ground to indicate loss of their R.P., they will fire a series of green pyrotechnic signals. The following shapes should then be displayed on the ground - with the tops as shown below nearest our own lines.

(a) Inf Div.

6 ft

(b) Inf Bde.



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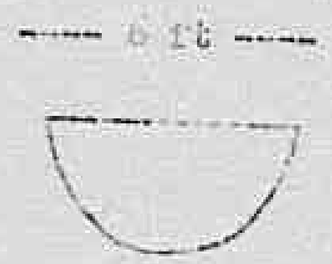
6 ft

(c) Inf Bn.

(b) [illegible]

(c) [illegible]



(4) For additional ships see P.L.R.N. 1t I Bundle 5, Signal Codes, two copies of which are forwarded herewith.

[illegible]
Lt Col.
G.S.

L.M.S.
[illegible]

Copies to : [illegible]
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[illegible] Office of [illegible]
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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 'X' BRANCH, MMIA

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TO : ALL SERVICES AND BRANCHES, MMIA

X079

The following W/T links are now operating from this H.Q.(.) First (.) HQ MMIA to 50 BLU also serves 51 BLU (.) Second (.) HQ MMIA to 52 BLU also serves 53 BLU (.) Messages should be as brief as possible otherwise cipher delays will result

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SUBJECT: Promotions

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. S/0/29/4
1. Nov 44

TO : 50 SLU
51 SLU
52 SLU
53 SLU
54 SLU

Copy to: MINISTRY OF WAR

1. This is to clarify the question of recommendations for promotion of Italian Officers and men in Combat Groups referred to in 50 SLU letter A/2/11 of 25 October.

2. Promotion is normally a question entirely for the Ministry of War. If a SLU wishes to recommend any officer or other rank up to and including Major to Lt. Col. this should be done by the G.S.O. 1 to the Group Commander.

3. Recommendations to higher ranks (stating whether Group Comdr concurs) and all other cases in which agreement is not reached between you and the Group Comdr should be referred to MMIA.

W. Pedley. Colonel
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT:- Minutes of Meeting.

SIGNAL SECTION, A.F.H.Q.

X164E.

27 Oct 44.

Signal Offr, MMIA.

only 2 copies enclosed
please one P.

1. Herewith 3 copies of the Minutes of the BLU Signal Officers' Meeting held at AFHQ on 21 Oct 1944.

Col Pudsey to see
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Good. thank you.
WP
30 Oct.

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W.K. Sanderson
Major General,
Chief Signal Officer.

O&T/WKHS/js

SUBJECT:- Minutes of Meeting.

SIGNAL SECTION, A.F.H.Q.

21 Oct 44.

CSO, Main A.A.I. (for Major WHITEHEAD).

SO, MMIA (3 Copies).

Herewith Minutes of a meeting held at AFHQ on 21 Oct 1944 at which the following were present :-

Signal Officer MMIA
Signal Officer 50 B.L.U.
" " 51 B.L.U.
" " 54 B.L.U.

Major SANDERSON - GII Ops & Training (Signals) AFHQ
Major WHITEHEAD - " " " A.A.I.

Minute No.	Subject of Minut.	Action to be taken	Remarks.
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2.	B.L.U. Signal Officers stated that the 9 sets supplied for Near Link Signal Section were not in workable condition, that in all cases a generator was missing, that in all cases batteries were not initially charged.	Take matter up with Ord 13.	Ord 13 visited 22 Oct. 9 sets being replaced and whole matter being raised with [illegible], who it is understood, had overhauled the sets in question.
3.	Sig Officer 51 B.L.U. said that he understood that G1098 for B.L.U. Signal Sections was to come out of GRUPPO allocation, also that the position in regard to sub-division of stores for Artillery was not yet clear.	Consult Ord 13	Ord 13 visited 22 Oct.. They stated :- There will be separate G.1098 for BLU's. In addition a new equipment table for the GRUPPI showing a more detailed distribution has been prepared and will be issued to all concerned in the immediate future.

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Minute No.	Subject of Minute	Action to be taken	Remarks.
	VEHICLES.		
4.	SO 50 BLU stated that his main vehicle deficiencies was as follows :- GRUPPI 15-cwt G.S. 5. 3-ton Office trucks 2. M/Cs 23. B.L.U. No deliveries as yet but anticipated release of 2 15-cwt NT within next few days. SO 51 BLU has had NO vehicle deliveries of any kind to date but general release note for 300 vehicles had been received.	No hastening action to be taken for 7 days when position should be clarified. After 7 days Sig Offr MMIA to review the position and report to AFHQ.	
	PERSONNEL.		
5.	Both GRUPPI reported as up to workable strength.		
6.	Both BLU Rear Link Signal Sections reported complete to W.E.		
	CIPHERS.		
7.	It was stated that British Cipher had already been issued to 50 BLU and was in process of issue to 51 BLU. Italian Practice Cipher had been issued to both GRUPPI ~~[illegible]~~ these were to be handed over to succeeding GRUPPI after training had been completed.		
	FREQUENCIES.		
8.	It was agreed that frequencies		

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8.	FREQUENCIES. It was agreed that frequencies for BLU's would come from higher formation when operational, and, if required, from AMI for training.		
9.	CALL SIGNS. It was stated that Call Signs for GRUPPI had now been issued, and it was agreed that the BLU's would take their call signs from this allocation.		1144
10.	SLIDEX. It was stated that Cursors and covers were now ready for collection, and that the Ops sheet would	Consult Signal Security as to position re other sheets.	Major NICHOLSON consulted 21 Oct. He stated - Unit sheets would also

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Minute No.	Subject of Minute	Action to be taken	Remarks.
	SLIDES (Contd).		
	be ready in 5 days.		be ready in 5 days and it was anticipated that Engineers) (& Sigs)) Artillery) Services (4)) would be ready in further 3 days.
	TRANSLATED PAMPHLETS.		
11.	Both BLD Sig Offrs agreed that present position was satisfactory but that a complete set of Translated Pamphlets would be useful as a long term policy.	Sig Offr MMIA to confirm that this has been laid on..	
	R/T & W/T PROCEDURE.		
12.	It was discovered that both BLD Officers had produced translated versions of British R/T & W/T procedure. It was agreed that Signal Offr MMIA would study these translations, decide on a standardised version and publish to all MLUs. (after agreement with CSO-ITAL	Action for Sig Offr MMIA as agreed.	
	Q CODE & SIGNAL OFFICE PROCEDURE.		
13.	It was agreed that Italian Q Code which is very similar to British should be used provided it is approved by security.	MMIA to submit copy to AAI for vetting.	
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14.	It was agreed that for time being BLB Sig Offrs would only ensure that Signal Office Procedure used was workable, but that it was desirable to change to British procedure at a later date.	Sig Offr MMIA to ensure that if and when changeover to British procedure took place it would be thoroughly co-ordinated between the BLBs.	
15.	SIGNAL OFFICE STATIONERY. It was agreed that from all view-points it would be preferable to use British type Signal Office Stationery rather than Italian.	DDPSS and Q(Maint) to be asked to sanction this.	DDPSS and Q(Maint) phoned on 22 Oct. 1943 Formal letter required to latter.
16.	TRAINING. Sig Offr MMIA stated that (according to schedule) Italian Signal School opened on 19 Oct.		

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Minute No.	Subject of Minute	Action to be taken	Remarks.
17.	Both BLU Sig Officers stated that Italian instructors trained by British School of Sigs had proved very satisfactory.		
18.	Both BLU Signal Officers stated that to-date training had had to be made under ad hoc arrangements owing to shortage of eqpt and late arrival of Italian Signals personnel, also that their GRUPPI was slightly behind the training schedule laid down but NOT behind other services in this respect.	Sig Offr MMIA to co-ordinate GRUPPI training and, where possible, issue fresh target dates for individual and unit training in the cases where these had been revised.	
19.	It was stated that Italian Drivers were a particular problem and that their standard was very low.	Sig Offr MMIA to try and arrange for GRUPPI drivers to attend the Italian School under 3 Dist control.	
20.	It was confirmed that the two British training teams (one with each BLU) consisting of 3 Sgts were to be passed on to 52 and 53 BLU's when training completed.	Sig Offr MMIA to co-ordinate.	
21.	It was agreed to contact 'G' Staff to find out definitely whether 5 and 6 GRUPPI were to be formed. If so and if no stores forthcoming from Ord 13, Sig Offr MMIA to arrange attachments with 3 and 4 GRUPPI also to enlarge courses at Italian Signal School and/or to loan equipment for training purposes from that school.	AFHQ Sig Offr MMIA. Action as agreed.	

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NOTE: The phrase "B.L.U. Signal Officers" as used in the Minutes does not include Signal Officer 54 B.L.U. who as yet has no equipment, instructors or British personnel.

W.K.H. Sanderson.

W.K.H. SANDERSON,
Major,
GII Ops & Training,
Signal Section (Br) AFHQ.

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Subject:- Picene Gruppo.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E
X507/7
27 Oct 44

Special Section,
M.M.I.A.

Pic Emo.

1. Further to conference of this morning. It is requested that the following specialist trades of the Italian Signal Company be exempted from Police work.

(a)	Despatch Riders	115	55	approved
(b)	Vehicle Mechanics	32	7	
(c)	Electrician Signals	5	3	
(d)	Instrument Mechanics	11	6	
(e)	Linemen	15	5	
(f)	Operators (Radio)	43	43	
(g)	Switchboard Operators	106	88	
(h)	Cipher Operators.	15	[illegible]	
		8	[illegible]	

2. The reason that exemption is required, is that it is hoped to arrange courses for those trades ~~who~~ are in need of further instruction.

W. CALVERT, Major,
S.O.R. Sign.
Military Mission Italian Army.

above are only Genio Corp ie the Sigs & NOT. Regtl Signallers.

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Subject : Promotion of Officers.

CONFIDENTIAL.

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref. A/2/11.

25 Oct. 44.

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

Attached is a recommendation for promotion, for your consideration, and any possible action, please.

Capt.
S.O. SIGS.

C.M.F.

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Subject : Promotion of Officers.

CONFIDENTIAL.

50 British Liaison Unit.

25 Oct. 44.

G.S.O. I
50 B.L.U.

Capitano Bernardino Piccone.

Cap. Piccone commands the 20th Coy Teleradio of the Engs Bn of the 1st Gruppo di Combattimento.

This Officer has been responsible for the training and reorganisation of the Signals Coy during the past two months and has made a very successful job of it under the circumstances.

This work entailed the formation of Regimental Signals Platoons, a completely new venture for the Italian Signals. Furthermore, the company was only half strength to begin with and it has been necessary to sort out and dispose of 200 reinforcements.

The discipline and the keenness of the men under his command has been excellent, in spite of the fact that they had insufficient clothing, blankets, boots, and tentage, and were living in a muddy field.

On the Establishment, a Major commands the Signals Coy, and in view of the fact that he is virtually an O.C. Divisional Signals I consider that a Captain's rank is insufficient.

I strongly recommend that the above Officer is promoted to Major in the Italian Army.

Capt.
S.O. SIGS.

C.M.F.

Recommended

Lt Col

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SECRET

M.M.I.A. SIGNAL OPERATION ORDER NO.1 Copy No. 8

INFORMATION

A wireless link now exists between HQ MMIA at ROME and 50 B.L.U. at SAN GIORGIO.

INTENTION

1. To maintain existing wireless link, and to establish communication with 52 B.L.U. (as per Appendix 'A').

2. The station at 50 B.L.U. will serve 51 B.L.U. and the one at 52 B.L.U. will serve 53 B.L.U.

3. HQ MMIA ROME will be control station.

METHOD

1. Sets
The two Italian stations now in situ at HQ MMIA and 50 B.L.U. respectively, will remain.
Capt GOOLD-ADAMS R.O.R.Sigs 52 B.L.U. will produce a No. 9 Set from his Rear Link Signals to join this group.

2. Personnel
The two Italian crews at present manning the Italian station at HQ MMIA and 50 B.L.U. will remain.
Capt GOOLD-ADAMS will produce an Italian Crew to work the No. 9 Set operating at 52 B.L.U.

3. Ciphers
The MMIA cipher det now at 50 B.L.U. will move to 52 B.L.U. and report to Capt GOOLD-ADAMS.
Cipher personnel for 50 B.L.U. will be found from 50 B.L.U. Rear Link.

4. Time
The No. 9 Set at 52 B.L.U. will join the net at 0800 hours 30 Oct 44. Netting of the group will be carried out at this time on frequency 3745 kcs.

5. Code Signs and Frequencies
Code Signs and Frequencies as per Appendices 'A' and 'B'.

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52 B.L.U. will serve 53 B.L.U.

3. HQ MMIA RGME will be control station.

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Capt GOOLD-ADAMS S.O.R.Sigs 52 B.L.U. will produce a No. 9 Set from his Rear Link Signals to join this group.

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6. Ack

26 OCT 44

Major
S.O.R. Signals

Dist:-		Copy No.
	S.O.R.Sigs 50 BLU	1
	S.O.R.Sigs 51 BLU	2
	S.O.R.Sigs 52 BLU	3
	S.O.R.Sigs 53 BLU	4
	CSO AFHQ	5
	CSO AAI	6
	CSO 3 District	7
	Spec. Sec. MMIA	8
	'G' MMIA	9
	File	10
	Spares	11-14

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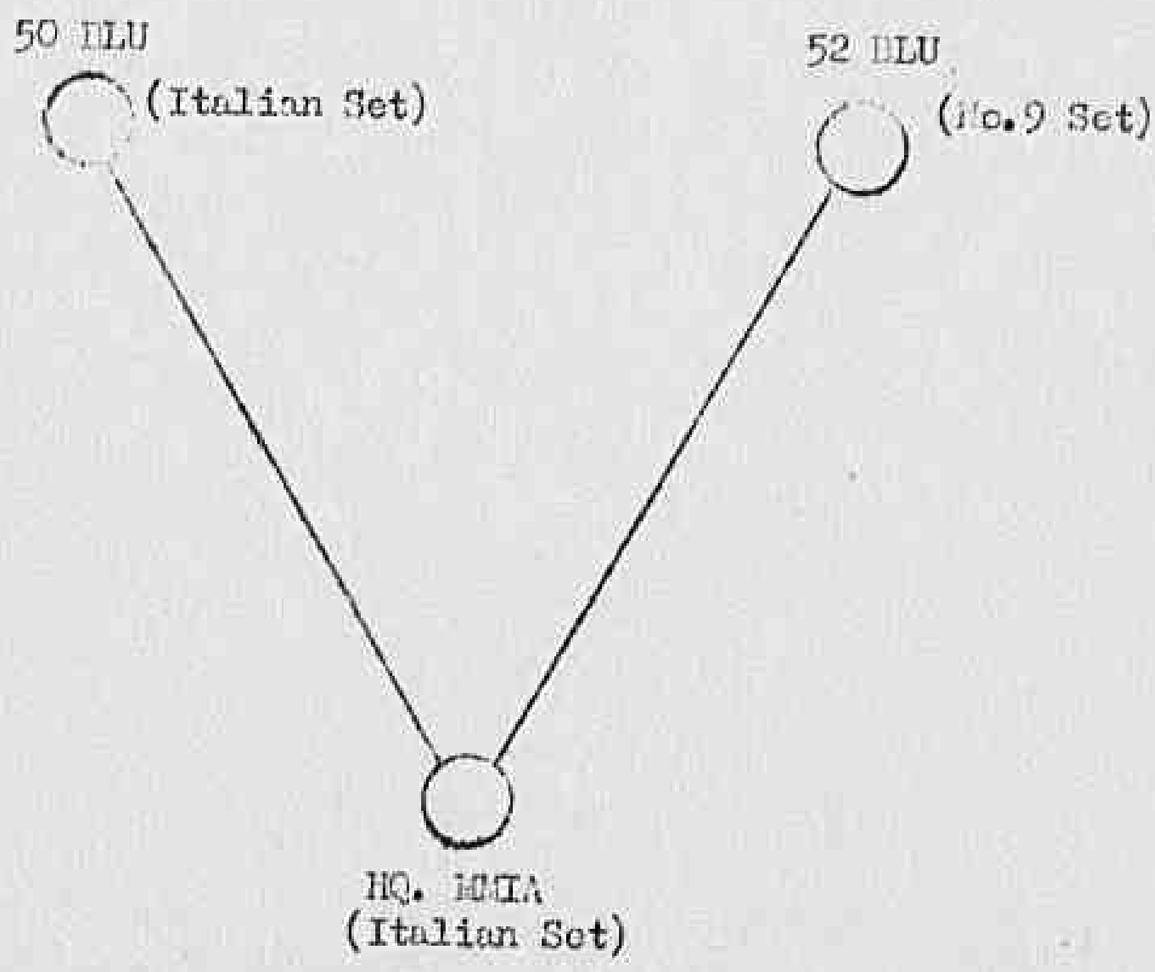
APPENDIX 'A' to MMIA Signals Operation Order No.1



Frequencies : 3745 Kcs
4960 Kcs

Time of working: 0800 - 2200 hrs daily.
No set will close without permission of the control station.

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APPENDIX 'B' to MMLA Signals Operation Order No.1

Code Signs as listed hereunder will be used on the wireless net.

	OCT			NOVEMBER			
	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
50 BLU	UUF	OTU	FIX	KYN	PXN	TWD	MHK
52 BLU	REX	NAA	VET	FHE	GXL	LEG	NGE

Further code sign extracts will be issued in due course.

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SECRET : Demolition Stores.

SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
A.F.H.Q., C.M.F.

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18 Oct 44.

s/a 29/4 BNP

S/Sec

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52 BRU att LEBRACTO Gp.
53 BRU att FORACOR Gp.

Copy to [redacted] M.M.I.A. [redacted]
16 M.A.D.

1. The following training stores are released to you under authority ADOS (Adm) AFHQ Issue Order 16/93 dated 14 Oct 44 in

Armoured Bulk	lbs	600
TNT Slabs ½ lb		896
GC or GS Primers		1000
Cordtex or Primacord	ft	12000
Fuze Safe No. 11	"	1000
" Inst	"	400
27 Dets		1000
33 Dets		200
Matches Fuse	boxes	50
Sealtyon		120
Bangalores Comp		80
Switches No. 1		50
" 2		50
" 3		50
" 9		40
" 10	each colour	7
032 Tripwire	yds	150
014 Trapwire	"	150
Cable Electric	"	1760
Mines Shrap No. II comp		8
" A Tk. No. IV		8
" " No. V (N)		8
" A/P No. 5 No. X		8
Grenade 75		20

2. Such BRU will draw the quantity as shown in para 1 above.

3. Please collect these stores immediately from 16 M.A.D.

J. M. B Stirling
Capt R.A

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Dep. A.
D.M.T.

✓ JAN/45

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Subject:- Wireless Training.

Military Mission Italian Army.
ROME
2507/7
16 Oct 44

50 B.L.U. (Attention Signal Officer)
51 B.L.U. (" " ")

Copy to CSO AFHQ
CSO AAI

W/T Set No.9.

1. An issue of two of the above sets per B.L.U. has been made.

These sets have been issued as an interim measure pending the arrival of No.9 Canadian sets. These are due to arrive at the end of October.

2. In order to accustom personnel to these sets, training will be carried out between the B.L.U's concerned for a period of one week.

3. A training programme will be drawn up by OC Signals 50 and 51 B.L.U. in consultation with C.S.O. 3 District. Copies will be forwarded to C.S.O. A.A.I. and to this office.

4. At the end of the week a report will be submitted to this office, copy to C.S.O. A.A.I. The matter will then be revised.

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W. CAINELLY, Major,
for Major General,
Military Mission Italian Army.

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FROM AFHQ ~~[illegible]~~ Ø716344A

TO NMIA

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S/Spec
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Date Recd 8/10

RESTRICTED

SIGNED SACMED CITE FHORD (.) F 05558

REF YOUR S5151 OF 6 (.) NOS. 1 AND 2

C GROUPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED WITH NO. 19 LP SETS TO SCALE (.) 1134

NO. 19 MP NOT AVAILABLE (.) CDN NO. 9 SETS TO BE ISSUED IN ~~[illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~ LIEU (.)

~~[illegible]~~ CANNOT YET STATE WHETHER NO. 19 SETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR

REMAINING GROUPS ~~[illegible]~~

BT

SENT NR 114 27/1742A CS BB

RD 114 D LON 1744 K

SDR Sigs to See 8/10

seen Delay chips sent WF

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FROM: MMIA

TO : AFHQ

Info: AAI

SS 151

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION Reserved

Is it true Italian Combat Groups Signal Coys may be issued with number 9 Sets instead of number 19 sets (.) PAREN ROME AREA COMMAND _____ PAREN (.) If so it will necessitate translation and publication new handbooks retraining of operators and general delay of 2 or 3 weeks in the readiness for combat of earlier groups (.) Strongly urge at least first four groups get number 19 sets as planned (.) Signal decision early

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATED

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File 18

MESSAGE FORM.

Date-Time of Origin.
26 1801 A.

From : MMLA

To (For Action) : B BLU.

Ref No : S3 100

Security Classification RESTRICTED

Your AN 4 dated 25 refers (+) Have discussed your request with S.O.

R Sigs here (+) Regret impossible fulfill your request.

PRecedence IMPORTANT.

AUTHENTICATING SECTION MMLA SS

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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Subject:- Italian Army Signal School.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E
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15 Sep 44

CSO AFHQ.

With the formation of the Gruppi di Combattimento additional facilities are required for the training of personnel in signalling.

The Italian Army has at present no centre at which it can train Signals personnel.

By reason of the fact that for nearly a year no wireless has been used by the Italian Army, all wireless sets being held in store (with the exception of the C.I.L) the standard of wireless operating is very low.

The great majority of wireless operators have been trained as linemen and are now working for the Allies in the latter capacity as the Allied need for line maintenance personnel was great and the need for wireless operators was then non-existant.

With the reduction of the Italian Army ceiling by the C.C.S., the Signals personnel were reduced to an absolute minimum to meet only the existing Army needs.

The Italian Army Signal School will provide the means, for refresher courses to be held to improve the standard of signalling within the "Gruppi di Combattimento" and basic training given, to provide for reinforcement personnel. See Appendix 'A' and 'B'.

The School will be run entirely by the Italian Army and the necessary instructors have already been trained at the School of Signals.

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(Sgd)G.A.FLEMING, Major,
for Major General,
Military Mission Italian Army.

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APPENDIX 'A'

	No. on Course.	Duration	Remarks
1. WIRELESS AND (SIGNALS) LINE INSTS	30	3	Refresher courses for qualified Tradesmen.
2. WIRELESS AND (RA) LINE INSTS	30	2	
3. WIRELESS AND (INF) LINE INSTS	30	2	
4. LINEMEN	30	2	
5. BASIC OPERATORS WIRELESS & LINE INSTS	40	12	Selected personnel course divided between line and wireless in last 4 weeks. Refresher course for qualified Tradesmen.
6. IMs	6	3	

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SYLLABUS

SERIAL 1. Wireless & Line Operating (Refresher Signals Personnel)
Duration 3 weeks 42 x 1 hour periods per week.
No. of Students 30.

WIRELESS.

WS No. 18/48	Description, Netting and Tuning and Operating	4
WS No. 19		6
WS No. 22		6
WS No. 19	Remote Control Description & Operating	2
WS No. 22	Remote Control " " "	2
Wavemeter D.	Description & Practical application	3
Charging Sets 300 Watt	Description, Operating & Maintenance.	3
Charging Sets 1260 Watt		3
Charging and Maint of Secondary Batteries		6
Practical Operating all W Sets and Wave D. (Incl use of various types of Aerials)		30 (+)
		65

LINE

Tele DV.	Description	1
Tele F.		1
Tele L.	Operating	1
Fullerphone		1
Swbd 10 Line UC	Tests and Maint	3
Swbd F & F		3
Superposing +Units.	Description Theory & Practical Application	4
Practical Operating All Line Instruments Through Exchanges		20
Instrument Testing No.1	Description and Practical Application	3
Test Set Portable No.2		
		37

GENERAL

Morse	12	
Codes & Security	2	
Procedure	7	
Final Test	3	24
	126	1130

(+) During these periods Line Specialists will be given Signal Office and Line Schemes.

SYLLABUS

SERIAL 2 Wireless and Line Operating (Refresher - Arty Personnel)
Duration 2 weeks. 42 x 1 Hour Periods per week.
Number of Students:- 30

WIRELESS

WS No. 18/48) Description, Netting and Tuning	3	
WS No. 22) Operating, Test and Maint.	6	
WS No. 22 Remote Control - Description and Operating	3	
Wavemeter D. Description & Practical Application	2	
Charging Set 300 Watt	3	
Charging and Maint of Secondary Batteries	4	
Practical Operating W.Set and Wavemeter (Including use of various Types of Aerials)	15	
		36

LINE

Tele DV.) Description	1	
Fullerphone) Operating	1	
Swbd. 10 Line UC) Tests and Maint	3	
Superposing Unit (1 Trans) Description Theory & Demonstration	2	
Inst. Testing No.1 Description and Practical Application	1	
Practical Operating all Line Instruments through Exchange	8	
Lineman's Equipment	1	
ACL No. 2 Introduction	1	
ACL No. 3 Introduction	1	
Cable Knots and Joints. Demonstration and Practical	1	
Practical Cable Laying with ACL. 2 AND ACL. 3 (Including Principles of Safe Laying)	8	
		28

VISUAL.

Lamp SDSR. Introduction and Operating	4	66
		4

GENERAL.

Morse	6	
Codes and Security	1	
Procedure	6	
		13

TESTS

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LINE

Tele DV. } Description	1	
Fullerphone } Operating	1	
Swbd. 10 Line UC } Tests and Maint	3	
Superposing Unit (1 Trans) Description Theory & Demonstration	2	
Inst. Testing No.1 Description and Practical Application	1	
Practical Operating all Line Instruments through Exchange	8	
Lineman's Equipment	1	
ACL No. 2 Introduction	1	
ACL No. 3 Introduction	1	
Cable Knots and Joints. Demonstration and Practical	1	
Practical Cable Laying with ACL. 2 AND ACL. 3 (Including Principles of Safe Laying)	8	
		28

VISUAL.

Lamp SDSR. Introduction and Operating	4	66
		4

GENERAL.

Morse	6	
Codes and Security	1	
Procedure	6	
		13

TESTS

General	3	3
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App 'B3'

SYLLABUS

SERIAL 3. Wireless and Line Operating (Refresher - Inf Personnel)
Duration - 2 Weeks 42 x 1 hour periods per week)
Number of Students - 30

WIRELESS.			
WS No. 18/48	Detailed Description	1	
	Netting & Tuning Drill	2	
	Tests & Maintenance	1	
	Practical Operating (Incl use of ground Aerials)	18	22
LINE			
Tele DV.	Description	2	
Fullerphone	Operating	1	
Swbd. 10 Line UC	Tests & Maint	3	
Superposing Unit (1 Trans). Description, Theory & Demonstration		2	
Instrument Testing No.1 Description & Practical Application		1	
Practical Operating all line instruments through exchange & superposing		12	
Lineman's equipment		1	
ACL No.2 Introduction		1	
Cable Knots and Joints. Demonstration & Practical		1	
Practical Cable Laying with ACL 2. (Incl principles of safe laying and layout for Cond Post)		16	40
VISUAL			
Lamp SDSR. Introduction and Operating		6	6
GENERAL			
Morse		6	
Codes and Security		1	
Procedure		6	13
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TESTS			
General		3	3
		66	
		84	

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App 'B4.'

SYLLABUS

SERIAL 4 Lineman's Refresher Course (Signals Personnel)
Duration 2 weeks 42 x 1 hour periods per week
Number of Students 30

INSTRUMENTS		
Tele DV, Tele F, Tele L, Fullerphone, Swbd 10 Line UC, Swbd F and F	Connect up, adjust, Charge Cells, Microphone Capsules and Other Instruments not requiring the use of Tools	6
Superposing units. Frames D & P	Description & Practical Application	4
Test Set Portable No.2, Inst Testing No.1		2
Field Cable Knots and Joints		4
Cable Layer No.3 - Laying from Vehicle		5
Mech. Layer No.1 - Cable Drill		16
Cable crossings - Demonstration and Practical		8
Maintenance of Cable		5
Line Testing		2
Cable Laying Schemes		28
Final Test.		4
		84

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SYLLABUS

SERIAL 5. Basic Course Wireless and Line Instruments (Selected suitable personnel) and Operating (Signals)
12 weeks 42 x 1 hour periods per week
No. of Students: 40

GENERAL	
Morse Code - Reading and Sending	150
LT, RT & WT. Procedure	30
Signal Office Duties	10
Codes and Security	4
Electrical Principles	15
Map Reading	10
General Military Training	12
Tests	20
LINE INSTRUMENTS.	
Telephones DV, F & L	6
Swbd 10 Line UC. Use & Maintenance	5
Swbd. F & F. Description and Connection	3
Switchboard Operating	20
Fullerphone. Use, Adjustment & Pair Work	15
Line and Signal Office Schemes	42
Phonograms	20
Cable Jointing	6
WIRELESS SETS & EQUIPMENT.	
WS No. 18 or 48 } Description, Tuning and Netting, Operating and Daily Tests	6
WS No. 19 }	10
WS No. 22 }	10
Remote Controls }	5
RT and WT Group Working	42
Wavemeter Class D.	13
Care and Maint of Secy Btys Including Charging by 300 watt Engines	21
Operating of wireless sets at a distance	48
	504

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APPENDIX 'C'

MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT

WT Buzzers Signal Trg	40	
WS No. 19	10	
WS No. 22	15	
WS No. ZZ 18/48	15	
Wavemeters Class D	5	
Swbd UC 10 Line	6	Superposing unit 3 Transformer 4
Swbd F & F	1	" " 1 " 6
Tele DV	20	
Tele F	6	
Tele L	6	
Fullerphone Mk IV	8	
Lamps SDSR	10	
Cable Layer No.3	4	
Mech Cable Layer No.1	1	
App. Cable Layer No.6	8	
Reels Cable No. 1	40	
Cable D VIII Single	15	Miles
Cable D VIII Double	10	"
Charging Sets 300 Watt	20	
" " 1260 "	4	
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For SIMONS (.) Subject is 69 Italian TELEGRAFISTI Coy 300 all rmks available on disbandment Italian AA in SARDINIA (.) Unless SOLTON has selected these sigs specialist personnel for CAGLIARI request their immediate shipment for FRIGGI (.) Our SD 1468 of 20 Sep NOT to SIMONS is cancelled (.) PAREN ROME AREA COMMAND _____ PAREN

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SD1468 SECRET

Request List 7 Serial number for 69 ITALIAN TELEGRAFISTI Coy 300 all ranks now available from disbandment Italian AA in SARDINIA (*) PARAS ROME ARE COMMAND _____ PARAS (*) Required urgently as signals personnel for FRIULI Gruppo

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Subject:- Italian School of Signals.

SIGNAL SECTION, A.F.H.Q.

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4 Sep 44.

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D.M.T.

Copy to:- CSO AAI
MMIA
Commandant, School of Signals, CMF.

1. The Commandant Designate of the Italian School of Signals (Lt. Col. de Marinis) appears to be having difficulty in setting up and starting courses at his Establishment. The main difficulty appears to be in securing suitable accomodation, since the Italian Minister of Education is not willing to turn over for this purpose the school at PALMA, the site originally chosen.

2. It was never the intention that this office should be responsible for running the Italian School of Signals, although the Commandant School of Signals CMF has already devoted a considerable amount of time, which he can ill afford, to assist Lt. Col. de Marinis in finding suitable accomodation.

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4. In view of the above, it is requested that steps be taken to set up the Italian School of Signals as early as possible. In order that the Commandant School of Signals CMF may be able to give technical assistance, if necessary, it is felt that the Italian School, if not at PALMA, should be within 10 miles of LAURO. It is, however, stressed that any assistance given can only be in the form of technical advise, as the Commandant School of Signals cannot afford the time necessary to supervise the many administrative arrangements for the setting up and running of the Italian School itself.

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Major General
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Subject:- Training of Italians.

SIGNAL SECTION, A.F.H.Q.

X164E.

4 Sep 44

CSO AAI (ref your 2845X15 of 24 Aug)
MMIA (ref your X12/1 of 28 Aug)
COMMANDANT, SCHOOL OF SIGNALS (ref your RSS/96 of 26 Aug)

Copy to:- D.M.T.

1. The detailed programme for the training of Italians at the School of Signals CMF will now be as follows:-

Serial	Course	Starts	Finishes	Number of Students
2	Instructors	-	9 Sep	10 Instructors for School of Signals
3	Instructors	4 Sep	16 Sep	30 Instructors for Gruppi
4	I.Ms	-	16 Sep	6 I.Ms
5	I.Ms	4 Sep	30 Sep	6 I.Ms

2. The above will complete the training of 60 Instructors for the Gruppi, 10 Instructors for the Italian School of Signals, and 12 I.Ms (see paras 2 & 3 of CSO AAI letter 2845X15 of 24 Aug).

3. (a) Within the time and accommodation available further training could be affected as follows:-

Serial	Course	Starts	Finishes	Number of Students
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7	Instructors	2 Oct	14 Oct	40 Instructors for Gruppi
8	I.Ms	18 Sep	14 Oct	6 I.Ms

(b) If further Instructors are required for the Italian School of Signals, the number of student Instructors for the Gruppi in both Serials 6 & 7 will have to be reduced accordingly.

(c) No action will be taken to carry out the programme as in para 3 (a), either in part or in full, unless a specific request is made to this office before 12 Sep. If this request is not made, it will be assumed that no further courses for Italians will be required after those detailed in para 1 above, and arrangements will be made accordingly to resume the normal courses of instruction which have been temporarily cancelled.

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4. It is agreed that students should now arrive during the day before and leave during the day after the start and finish dates for each course as detailed in para 1 above.

5. It is agreed that the Instructors for the Italian School of Signals may remain at the School until the Italian School is ready. If however all training of Italians ceases before the Italians School is ready, it will not be practicable for the Italian Instructors to remain.

6. It is requested that MMIA arrange for interpreters and batmen to remain at the School so long as Italian students are under instruction, and in the same proportion as the total number of students and officers, respectively, at present at the school.

(Sgd) ??????????
Major General.
Chief Signal Officer.

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Col Pickering

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Subject:- Training of Italian Signallers.

HQ.
R.Signals Depot & School of Signals
C.M.F.
RSS/96
26 Aug 44

CSO AFHQ (2)

Ref your letter X164E of 19 Aug 44

1. There are 51 students at present under instruction at School of Signals, composed of following:-

			Engr(Sigs)	Artr	Inf	Total
(a)	GRUPPI	Offrs	5	5	2	12
		O.R.s	14	9	2	25
						37
(b)	ITALIAN SCHOOL	Offrs	2	-	-	2
		O.Rs	8 (incl 1 L.M.)	-	-	8
						10
(c)	L.M.s	O.R.s	1	3	-	4

All 51 students have worked together for the 1st week and have covered the following instruments and wireless sets:-

Tele DV
" F
" L
S/Board 10 Line
Fullerphone
Superposing Unit - 1 Trans.
AGL No. 2
AGL No. 3
Cable D 1XI and D VIII
Inst. Testing No.1
WS No. 18
" " 38
" " 48

In all cases the following aspects have been covered:-

(a) Introduction
(b) Practical Handling (Preliminary)
(c) Preliminary Tests
(d) Maintenance 1st Line

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(b)	ITALIAN SCHOOL	Offrs	2	-	-	2
		C.Rs	8 (incl 1 L.M.)	-	-	8
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All 54 students have worked together for the 1st week and have covered the following instruments and wireless sets:-

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The remainder of the equipment detailed in AAI letter 2485X15 of 24 Aug 44 will be taught in the second week.

2. With the exceptions noted in para 4(b) the students appear to have a good general knowledge of Italian equipment and signal procedure and it is recommended that the duration of the courses be as follows:-

Instructors for GRUPPI	Two weeks
Instructors for ITALIAN SIG. SCHOOL	Three weeks
L.M's	Four weeks (First ten days with fortnight course; remainder under T.M.Sec.)

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These times were discussed with Col. PIDSLEY during his visit on 25 Aug 44 and fit well with his plans. The dates for the beginning of each course given in your para 6 are satisfactory.

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3. It is requested that the first batch of ITALIAN SIGNAL SCHOOL instructors be retained for the duration of the training of Italians at this School. It has been found necessary to divide the class into three groups during the second week of the fortnight's course and the existing instructional staff is not adequate to do this efficiently. In addition this attachment would be of good training value to the instructors earmarked for the ITALIAN SIGNAL SCHOOL. The conclusion today of the course for driver operators of a certain Div Sigs also throws free certain additional British instructors.

4. Among the 37 GRUPPI students are :-

(a) 13 ORs who are line operators or linesmen. These will specialise on the line side of trg for the last four days of the fortnight's course.

(b) Seven (4 Inf, 3 Arty) have no previous experience of handling sig eqpt. This problem was discussed with Col. PINNEY who stated that every effort had been made to find the most suitable men.
It was agreed that they should finish the fortnights course but to bring them up to the standard of the others would require a basic course of 12 weeks. In view of the fact that the instructors are giving individual instruction on the existing courses such a course cannot be undertaken satisfactorily here. It is recommended that these seven soldiers are given further instruction with the GRUPPI. It is stressed that it is essential that every effort be made to send Italian Signallers on these courses.

(Sgd) C.C. DANEK
Lt. Colonel
Commandant.

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Subject:- Fruili Div and Training Cadre.

Major C.A. Fleming,
X Branch,
MMIA.

23 Aug 44.

I am enclosing a nominal roll of all students arrived so far. It is not clear who among the O.Rs are intended for the Italian Signals School, but there is one batch of 8 O.Rs from the "Comando della Compagnia" at Santa Maria C.V. who are not of the Fruili Div.

Maj Fleming's 15 day

All students are keen and both officers and men are of a good general standard. All but seven of the students have a fairly good knowledge of Italian signals.

The seven students who have no knowledge of signals equipment are keen and I hope that even if they will not be in a position to instruct when they return to the division their knowledge of our equipment will be useful. They are 2 infantry officers, 2 inf. sjts., 3 arty sjts.

Carry on

Reference the interpreters 6 have turned up instead of 4, but this is all to the good. None of them have any technical knowledge and none speak very good English, but we are managing. I want to take at least two of them to the Div with me. Will you arrange please ?

Sipo to ask SMHQ

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Hunter

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Naples

Reference the pamphlets, we find it hard to disguise our impatience, but, of course, the longer we wait the more perfect will be the translation.

What is the position

More later when there is more information as to the progress of the Course, which appears to be satisfactory at present. There are only 5 I.Rs instead of 6. May these remain an extra fortnight after the normal course finishes. There will be an official report on the training situation in a day or so. These are just a few preliminary notes.

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Good.

I am expecting to see you shortly here. I hope to stay here till the course is almost finished, to watch progress and get to know the Italians better.

Good.

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(Sgd) John Crepe.

Capt. J.E.Crepe,
R.Signals Depot & School of Signals.
C.M.F.

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ROYAL SIGNALS DEPOT & SCHOOL OF SIGNALS C.M.F.

ITALIAN PERSONNEL.

NOMINAL ROLL - 21 AUG 44.

ENGINEERS (SIGNALS)

	Capitano	PIRCONI BERNARDINO
	"	GRASSI
	Tenente	MESSERI RENZO
+	"	VITTURINI PIERRO
+	"	SCIOCCHETTI CESARE
	Sotto Tente	PAGNINI LUCIANO
	" "	BARALUCCI SILVANO
+	Maresciallo	MANCINI VITTORIO
	Sergente Maggiore	ROSSETTI
	" "	CASSERINI
+	" "	PETTI ALDO
+	" "	SORANZI SERGIO
+	" "	VASOLLA VINCENZO
+	" "	KLAU GESU
+	" "	SERENO ANTONIO
+	Sergente	~~LA ROCCA~~
		COREA
	"	ZANACCHE TEODORO
+	"	JANNELLI ERCOLE
	Caporale Maggiore	LA ROCCA
	" "	MORELLI DANTE
	" "	LANZARINI MARIO
	" "	MIOTTO GUERRINO
	" "	PIZZANTI GERMANO
	Caporale	ESDI
	"	MIGNIGOLI ARMANDO
	"	APOLLI ROLANDO
	"	BENUCCI ANGIOLINO
	"	FELLONI LUCIANO
	Geniere	DOGO ADRIANO
		CARNELLI IRO

ARTILLERY

Tenente	BONELLI
"	MAGIORANO NATALINO
Sotto Tenente	BONFERINI
" "	MANETTA MARIO
" "	GANDINI AUGUSTO
Maresciallo	PAZZERINI DANTI
Sergente Maggiore	URANI LUIGI
" "	GALLINA MARIO
" "	TRIANTINI GIOVANNI
" "	BARONI
" "	[illegible]

INFANTRY

Sotto Tenente	AGLIARO ANDREA
" "	AURATO FRANCESCO
" "	MALAGOLI GIO
" "	FOSSATI ENRICO
" "	BROTTO TARCISIO
" "	RINALDO IVO

BATMEN (Seven Geniere)

+	" "	[illegible]
+	" "	SCHIANI SERGIO
+	" "	VACCIA VINCENZO
+	" "	ELLU GENU
+	" "	SERENO ANTONIO
+	Sergente	~~SA-ROSSA~~
	"	COSTA
+	"	IAMACORE TEODORO
		JANNELLI ERCOLE
	Caporale Maggiore	LA ROCCA
	" "	MINELLI DANTE
	" "	LANZANINI MARIO
	" "	MOTTO GIUSEPPE
	" "	PERZANTI GIORDANO
	Caporale	FENI
	"	HERRENOLI ARNESIO
	"	APOLAI ROLANDO
	"	TENNOCUT ANGELELINO
	"	FILLIPONI LEONELLO
	Geniere	BOGO ADRIANO
		CANTELLI ISO
	<u>ARTIGLIERI</u>	
	Tenente	BORELLI
	"	MAGIORANO NATALINO
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	" "	GANDINI AUGUSTO
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(.)	Tenente	RUGGIO PAOLO
(.)	Sotto Tenente	BOCCIA ARMONE
(.)	Sergente Maggiore	GAINI LAURENTO
		PARENTI GIORGIO

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\+ Ex Italian Signal School

(.) No knowledge Italian equipment

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For Action

TO: MAIL EIGHTH ARMY

(W) For information (INFO)

MMIA | SD
FILE REF | 1
Date | 20 8/44

— Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No. SD 2591

(.) two mules MULTAR PORTER (.) ref appx 1A to ag 1705/19/4(inc) of 17 AUG (.) transfer 106 s.5 ton (m) from coln 3 to coln 2 (.) stone being provided from AAI but will affect future replacements for fwd fms (.) request yor confirm decision on balance coln 3 soonest

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA

TO: CSO AFHQ, AAI, SCHOOL OF SIGNALS

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T H I 8/6/79

X0212/1 (.) Confidential (.) Capt Alexeew arriving School p.m. Friday 1 Sep (.) Maj Fleming visiting School as soon as pamphlets printed probably Sunday

May be sent as written except ( ) Wireless

To be sent in Cipher if liable to interception

Degree of Priority

Copy to: Special Section MMIA
Capt Alexeew

WP 3

Subjects Training of Italians.

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC
ROME
X12/1
28 Aug 44

CSO AFHQ (attn Maj. BRAY)
CSO AAI (" Maj. WHITHREAD)
Cmdt School of Signals.
S.M.R.E.

Reference Col. Pidsley's recent visit to the School of Signals.

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It has been agreed that the I.M's course should be extended to four weeks, i.e., two on instruction and two on practical working in the Technical Maintenance Shops. This would appear to indicate that for the second course six more I.M's can be trained, thus making twelve I.M's at the School at one time. Also for the FRIULI Div, during the fortnight which the I.M's are finishing their extra training, it will be necessary to supply two I.M's from British units to help maintain the technical equipment should it arrive before the I.M's course is finished.

3. Clothing.

S.M.R.E. will submit requirements of clothing for the students to this H.Q. well in advance of the second course.

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S.M.R.E. will be responsible that the students for the second course arrive by 1200 hrs 3 Sep, and that the lorry conveying them to the School takes back the students from the first course to their division on the same day if possible.

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6. Italian Instructors.

It is agreed that the Italian School Instructors at present on the course at the Signal School could help in the second course. It is considered that this would be extremely useful to them.

R. Penney Major

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for Maj Gen.
Army Sub Commission.

Copy to: Special Section, MMIA.
Capt. J.H.GREPE, C/o R.Signals Base Depot & School, CMF.

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Ordinamento -

SEGRETO 2

n. 5987/Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 16 agosto 1944

OGGETTO: Organici provvisori orientativi del battaglione misto genio per il gruppo da combattimento (divisione combattente).-

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SEGRETO

BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO

Comprende:

- comando di battaglione
- 2 compagnie artieri
- 1 compagnia teleradio.-

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- Comando di battaglione
- 2 compagnie artieri
- 1 compagnia teleradio.-

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COMANDO DI BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottuff.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
Comandante (ten.col.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aiutante maggiore in 2^ (sub.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uff. inferiore a disposizione (1)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subalterno medico	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Squadra comando							
Sottufficiali							
Cap.magg.o cap.(di cui un aiut.san.)	-	(2) 2	-	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Staffette in bicicletta	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Militari per servizi vari(di cui 2 attendenti ed ord.ufficio)	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Automobilisti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
	-	-	4	1	1	2	-
totale sq. comando	-	2	13	1	1	2	1
totale comando btg.	4	2	13	1	1	2	1

(1) - dovrà conoscere la lingua [illegible]

Comandante (ten.col.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aiutante maggiore in 2^ (sub.)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uff. inferiore a disposizione (1)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subalterno medico	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Squadra comando							
Sottufficiali	-	(2) 2	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.e cap.(di cui un aiut.san.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Staffette in bicicletta	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Militari per servizi vari(di cui 2 attendenti ed ord.ufficio)	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti	-	-	4	1	1	2	-
totale sq. comando	-	2	13	1	1	2	1
totale comando btg.	4	2	13	1	1	2	1

(1) - dovrà conoscere la lingua inglese.
(2) - uno sarà maresciallo

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COMPAGNIA ARTIERI

Comprende:

- 1 comando di compagnia
- 1 plotone operai
- 2 plotoni artieri
- 1 plotone artieri di arresto.-

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- 1 comando di compagnia
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COMPAGNIA ARTIERI

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottuff.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pesf. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
Comando di cp. artieri							
Comandante (capitano)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Squadra comando							
Sottufficiali	-	(1) 3	-	-	-	-	1
Cap.magg.o caporali	-	-	(2) 3	-	-	-	-
Trombettiere e staffetta	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cucinieri	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Motociclisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Portaferiti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti(1 dei quali attendente)	-	-	8	(3) 3	2	(4) 3	-
Meccanici automobilisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Calzolaio	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
tot.cp.comando	1	3	21	3	2	3	2
Plotone operai							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o caporali	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Muratori e cementisti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Falegnami e carpentieri	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Fabbri	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Meccanici aggiustatori	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Elettricisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Motoristi ed aiutanti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Tubisti,piombisti e lattonieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Fontanieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Specialisti per il mascheramento(tintori,decoratori,pittori,scenografi)	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti(1 di cui attendente)	-	-	4	-	2	(5) 2	-
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Tot.plotone operai	1	1	46	-	2	2	1

(1) - 1 addetto alla contabilità, 1 ai viveri e 1 [illegible]

Sottufficiali	-	(1) 3	-	-	-	-	1
Cap.magg.o caporali	-	-	(2) 3	-	-	-	-
Trombettiere e staffetta	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cucinieri	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Motociclisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Portaferiti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti(1 dei quali attendente)	-	-	8	(3) 3	2	(4) 3	-
Meccanici automobilisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Calzolaio	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
tot.cp.comando	1	3	21	3	2	3	2
Plotone operai							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o caporali	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Muratori e cementisti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Falegnami e carpentieri	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Fabbri	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Meccanici aggiustatori	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Elettricisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Motoristi ed aiutanti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Tubisti,piombisti e lattonieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Fontanieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Specialisti per il mascheramento(tintori,decoratori,pittori,scenografi)	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti(1 di cui attendente)	-	-	4	-	2	(5) 2	-
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Tot.plotone operai	1	1	46	-	2	2	1

(1) - 1 addetto alla contabilità, 1 ai viveri e 1 automobilista(1 dei quali sarà maresciallo).
(2) - 1 addetto alla contabilità; 1 aiutante di sanità, 1 guardiaparco.
(3) - saranno: 2 Jeeps, 1 autovettura blindata, 1 autovettura leggera.
(4) - saranno: 1 autocarro leggero, 1 autocarro leggero blindato, 1 autobotte leggera.
(5) - saranno: 1 autocarro leggero, 1 autocarro leggero blindato.

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	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottuff.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
Plotone artieri							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Cap.magg.o cap.capi squadra	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Zappatori,stradini,manovali,terrazz.	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Muratori e cementisti	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Minatori	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Falegnami e carpentieri	-	-	9	-	-	-	-
Fabbri	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Barcaioli	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Motociclista(è anche attendente)	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Automobilisti	-	-	6	-	(1) 3	(2) 3	3
Tot.pl.artieri	1	1	49	-	3	3	6
Tot.2 pl.artieri	2	2	98	-	6	6	12
Plotone artieri d'arresto							
Comandante	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.artificiere	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
" " " capi sq.	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap.v. " "	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Artieri	-	-	36	-	-	-	-
Disegnatore	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Motociclista(è anche attendente)	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti	-	-	5	-	(3) 3	(4) 2	3
Tot.pl.artieri di arresto	1	4	47	-	3	2	3

(1) - saranno: 2 autocarri pesanti ed 1 autocarro pesante con verricello

(2) - saranno: 2 autocarri leggeri, 1 autocarro leggero con compressore ed

Cap.magg.o cap.capi squadra	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Zappatori,stradini,manovali,terrazz.	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Muratori e cementisti	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Minatori	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Falegnami e carpentieri	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Fabbri	-	-	9	-	-	-	-
Barcaioli	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Motociclista(è anche attendente)	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
	-	-	6	-	(1) 3	(2) 3	3
Tot.pl.artieri	1	1	49	-	3	3	6
Tot.2 pl.artieri	2	2	98	-	6	6	12
Plotone artieri d'arresto							
Comandante	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.artificiere	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
" " " capi sq.	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap.v. " "	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Artieri	-	-	36	-	-	-	-
Disegnatore	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Motociclista(è anche attendente)	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Meccanico automobilista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Automobilisti	-	-	5	-	(3) 3	(4) 2	3
Tot.pl.artieri di arresto	1	4	47	-	3	2	3

(1) - saranno: 2 autocarri pesanti ed 1 autocarro pesante con verricello
(2) - saranno: 1 autocarro leggero, 1 autocarro leggero con compressore ad aria, 1 autocarro leggero con verricello.
(3) - saranno: 2 autocarri pesanti ed 1 autocarro pesante con verricello
(4) - saranno: 1 autocarro leggero ed 1 autocarro leggero blindato.-

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RIEPILOGO COMPAGNIA ARTIERI

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottuff.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
Comando di compagnia	1	3	21	3	2	3	2
1 plotone operai	1	1	46	-	2	2	1
2 plotoni artieri	2	2	98	-	6	6	6
1 plotone artieri di arresto	1	4	47	-	3	2	3
TOTALE CP. ARTIERI	5	10	212	3	13	13	12

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Comando di compagnia	1	3	21	3	2	3	2
1 plotone operai	1	1	46	-	2	2	1
2 plotoni artieri	2	2	98	-	6	6	6
1 plotone artieri di arresto	1	4	47	-	3	2	3
TOTALE CP. ARTIERI	5	10	212	3	13	13	12

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COMPAGNIA TELERADIO

Comprende:

- 1 comando di compagnia
- 1 plotone teleradio per comando divisione
- 1 plotone teleradio per reggimento art.
- 2 plotoni teleradio per reggimento ftr.

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Comprende:

- 1 comando di compagnia
- 1 plotone teleradio per comando divisione
- 1 plotone teleradio per reggimento art.
- 2 plotoni teleradio per reggimento ftr.

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COMPAGNIA TELERADIO

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
comando di cp. teleradio							
Comandante (capitano)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subalterno a disposizione	2	-	-	-	-	-	1
Squadra comando							
Maresciallo comandante	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.Magg.o serg.di contabilità	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " ai viveri	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " radiomontatori	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " apparecch.telef.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. di contabilità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " aiut.di sanità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " radiomontatore	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " apparecch.telef.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Rdiomontatori	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecch. telef.	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Elettricisti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Trombettieri	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cucinieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Calzolaio	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	5	1	(1) 3	(2) 1	-
Tot.comando di cp.teleradio	3	5	23	1	3	1	2

Comando di cp. teleradio

	D	S	F	A	A	A	M
Comandante (capitano)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subalterno a disposizione	2	-	-	-	-	-	1
Squadra comando							
Maresciallo comandante	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.Magg.o serg.di contabilità	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " ai viveri	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " radiomontatori	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
" " " apparecch.telef.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. di contabilità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " aiut.di sanità	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " radiomontatore	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " apparecch.telef.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Rdiomontatori	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecch. telef.	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Elettricisti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Disegnatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Trombettieri	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cucinieri	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Calzolaio	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	5	1	(1) 3	(2) 1	-
Tot.comando di cp.teleradio	3	5	23	1	3	1	2

NOTE: (1) - 1 per cucina e magazzino
- 1 per materiale tecnico
- 1 per dinamo carica-accumulatori

(2) - per cucina e magazzino.-

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Plotone teleradio per comando divisione

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottuffic.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1,5 tonn.)	Motocicli
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.capi stac. R.T.	-	5(1)	-	-	-	-	-
" " " telegrafisti	-	5(2)	-	-	-	-	1
Sergenti addetti cifra	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.capi stac. R.T.	-	-	4	(1)-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. telegrafisti	-	-	10	(3)-	-	-	-
" " " centralinisti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	18	(4)-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	17	-	(5)4	13(6)	-
Motociclisti (portaordini)	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
Totale plot.teleradio per comando divisione	1	14	87	-	4	13	14

NOTE: (1) - 1 di riserva
(2) - 3 addetti alle linee
(3) - 4 " " "
(4) - 4 di riserva
(5) - 1 centrale divisionale - 1 ufficio cifra - 2 per stendimento linee -
(6) - 7 autostazioni R.T. - 1 uso ufficio - 3 per stendimento

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Plotone teleradio per comando divisione

Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.capi stas. R.T.	-	5(1)	-	-	-	-	-
" " " telegrafisti	-	5(2)	-	-	-	-	1
Sergenti addetti cifra	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.capi stas. R.T.	-	-	4	(1)-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. telegrafisti	-	-	10	(3)-	-	-	-
" " " centralinisti	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	18	(4)-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	17	-	(5)4	13(6)	-
Motociclisti (portaordini)	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
Totale plot.teleradio per comando divisione	1	14	87	-	4	13	14

NOTE: (1) - 1 di riserva
(2) - 3 addetti alle linee
(3) - 4 " " "
(4) - 4 di riserva
(5) - 1 centrale divisionale - 1 ufficio cifra - 2 per stendimento linee -
(6) - 7 autostazioni R.T. - 1 uso ufficio - 3 per stendimento linee - 1 con dinamo carica-accumulatori.-

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	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottufff.	Truppa	Autovettura	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.leggeri (1½ tonn.)	Motociclette
Plotone teleradio per rgt.art.							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serg.magg.o serg.capi staz. R.T.	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
Serg.magg.o serg.telegrafisti	-	(1) 2	-	-	-	-	1
Serg. addetti cifra	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.capi staz. R.T.	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. centralinisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecchiatori telefonici	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	12	-	-	-	1
Elettricisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	12	1	(2) 5	(3) 6	-
Motociclisti (p.o.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
Tot.pl.teleradio per rgt.art.	1	7	50	1	5	6	6
Plotone teleradio per rgt. ftr.							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serg.magg.o serg.capi staz.R.T.	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
" " " telegrafisti	-	(1) 2	-	-	-	-	-
Serg. addetti cifra	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg. capi staz. R.T.	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. telegrafisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " centralinisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	17	-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecchiatori telefonici	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Elettricista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	13	1	(2) 5	(4) 7	-
Motociclisti (p.o.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
Tot.pl.teleradio per rgt.ftr.	1	7	58	1	5	7	4

Cap.magg.o cap. centralinisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	10	-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecchiatori telefonici	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	12	-	-	-	1
Elettricisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	12	1	(2) 5	(3) 6	-
Motociclisti (p.o.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
Tot.pl.teleradio per rgt.art.	1	7	50	1	5	6	6
Plotone teleradio per rgt. ftr.							
Comandante (subalterno)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serg.magg.o serg.capi staz.R.T.	-	2	-	-	-	-	1
" " " telegrafisti	-	(1) 2	-	-	-	-	-
Serg. addetti cifra	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg. capi staz. R.T.	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Cap.magg.o cap. telegrafisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
" " " centralinisti	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Radiotelegrafisti	-	-	17	-	-	-	-
Radiomontatori	-	-	4	-	-	-	-
Telegrafisti	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
Centralinisti	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Apparecchiatori telefonici	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Stenditori-guardafili	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Elettricista	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Autisti	-	-	13	1	(2) 5	(4) 7	-
Motociclisti (p.o.)	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
Tot.pl.teleradio per rgt.ftr.	1	7	58	1	5	7	4
Tot.2 pl.teleradio per rgt.ftr.	2	14	116	2	10	14	8

N O T E : (1) 1 addetto linee
(2) 1 auto-blindata con 2 staz.R.T.- 1 ufficio collag.- 1 per stendimento linee - 1 per dinamo carica-accumulatori - 1 cucina e magazzino.
(3) 3 autostazioni R.T. - 3 per stendimento linee.
(4) 5 autostazioni R.T. - 2 per stendimento linee.-

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RIEPILOGO COMPAGNIA TELERADIO

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.leggeri (1,5 tonn.)	Motocicli
Comando di compagnia	3	5	23	1	3	1	2
1 pl. teleradio per c.do div.	1	14	87	-	4	13	14
1 pl. teleradio per rgt.art.	1	7	50	1	5	6	6
2 pl. teleradio per rgt.ftr.	2	14	116	2	10	14	8
TOTALE COMPAGNIA MISTA TELERADIO	7	40	276	4	22	34	30

	Ufficiali	Sottufficiali	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1,5 tonn.)	Motociclli
Comando di compagnia	3	5	23	1	3	1	2
1 pl. teleradio per c.do div.	1	14	87	-	4	13	14
1 pl. teleradio per rgt.art.	1	7	50	1	5	6	6
2 pl. teleradio per rgt.ftr.	2	14	116	2	10	14	8
TOTALE COMPAGNIA MISTA TELERADIO	7	40	276	4	22	34	30

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RIEPILOGO BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO

	Personale			Automotomezzi			
	Ufficiali	Sot-uff.	Truppa	Autovetture	Autoc.pes. (3 tonn.)	Autoc.legg. (1½ tonn.)	Motocicli
Comando di battaglione	4	2	13	1	1	2	1
2 compagnie artieri	10	20	424	6	26	26	24
1 compagnia teleradio	7	40	276	4	22	34	30
TOTALE BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO	21	62	713	11	49	62	55

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Comando di battaglione	4	2	13	1	1	2	1
2 compagnie artieri	10	20	424	6	26	26	24
1 compagnia teleradio	7	40	276	4	22	34	30
TOTALE BATTAGLIONE MISTO GENIO	21	62	713	11	49	62	55

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PINS EARTH SMALL	50
PIPES " LARGE	4
PICKETS GUY TELE	120.
SUPERPOSING UNITS	
1 TRANS	16.
3 TRANS	5
TABLES TELE MK.I.	5
TEST SETS PORTABLE No. 2.	5
BARS CARRYING CABLE No 5	10
CONNECTORS 5PR No1	
BLACK	8
RED	8
CELLS DRY X M.II	600
HAMMERS BALL PANE	12.
IRONS SOLDERING	5
LAMPS BRAZING 1 PINT	5
PASTE FLUX SOLDERING lbs	5
SOLDER TINMANS SOFT lbs	10
WIRE ELECTRIC P. 13. yds	500
POUCHES TOOL LINEMAN	10
CASES TOOL FILLED	
I.M.	15
E.S.	6
SHOVELS	20
PICKS	20
LAMPS HURRICANE	10
WATCHES GS.	93
VOLTMETERS DC. 3VOLT	4
BATTERIES SEC 6 VOLT 125 } Initially	100

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BLACK	8
RED	8
CELLS DRY X M.II	600
HAMMERS BALL PANE	12.
IRONS SOLDERING	5
LAMPS BRAZING 1 PINT	5
PASTE FLUX SOLDERING lbs	5
SOLDER TINMANS SOFT lbs	10
WIRE ELECTRIC D. 13. yds	500
POUCHES TOOL LINEMAN.	10
CASES TOOL FILLED.	
I.M.	15
E.S.	6
SHOVELS	20
PICKS	20
LAMPS HURRICANE	10
WATCHES GS.	93
VOLTMETERS DC. 3VOLT	4
BATTERIES SEC	
6. VOLT 125 } Initially charged	100
12 VOLT 75. } Initially charged	150.
FUNNELS BATT CELL.	4
HYDROMETERS 2nd CELL	66.
INST TESTING FERRANTI AC/DC CIRCUIT TESTER	6.
JARS Distilled water	6
AVOMINORS.	15
GREASE	35
ACID JARS FILLED 2 GALLON	6.
CABLE D.III TWISTED miles	25

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APP CABLE LAYER		
No 6	24	
No 3	11	
BOXES TERMINAL	8	Signal Controlled
FRAMES D+P	8	stores include all
F. PHONE	42.	Signal controlled ~~divisions~~
SWBS F+F 20 LINE	1	stores for the division.
CABLE LAYER MECH No. 1.	1	Remainder of stores
SWBDS U.C. 10	21	only for the Signal Coy.
TELE D.V	192.	
" F or L	20	
TEST FRAMES 40 PR	1	
BARROWS DRUM	4	
R. 107	5	
R. 109		
WAVEMETER CLASS D	7	
WT SETS No 19	15	
" " " 19 HP	2	
" " " 22.	71	COMPLETE STNS TRUCK/GROUND.
CHARGING SETS		
6 KW	4	
1260	8	
300	54	
WT SETS No 18 or 48	104	
SPUN YARN HEMP TARRED		
KNIVES CLASP	60 LBS	

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" F or L	20	
TEST FRAMES 40PR	1	
BARROWS DRUM	4	
R. 107	5	
R. 109		
WAVEMETER CLASS D	7	
WT SETS No 19	15	
" " " 19 HP	2	COMPLETE STNS TRUCK/GROUND
" " " 22.	71	
CHARGING SETS		
6 KW	4	
1260	8	
300	54	
WT SETS No 18 or 48	104	
SPUN YARN HEMP TARRED	60 LBS	
KNIVES CLASP	200	
TAPE INSULATING 3/4"	40 LBS	
PLIERS SIDE CUTTING 7 IN	200.	
LADDERS TELE FIELD	10	
LABELS	200	
CABLE D.III single	60	
D.VIII	30	
CROOK STICKS JUNTED	5	
POLES TELE SHOES DUMOUNTED 17 FT	5	
HAMMER 14 LB	30	
JUMPER	10	
CLIMBERS POLE	10	
BELTS LINEMEN SAFETY	4	
GLOVES CABLE LAYING	4	
GUYS TELE POLE	10	
	120	

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N.E. of Vehicles GRUPPI di COMBATTIMENTO

	Bn HQ				
	Bn Cmdr & Eng Capt	Adjutant & Subaltern	Bn Office	Total HQ	
Motor Cycles Sold			1	1	
Cars 4 seater 4 x 2					
4 " 4 x 4	1			1	
5 cwt 4 x 4					
Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1	1		2	
F.F.W.					
Office					
Water					
Wireless House					
4 x 4 personnel					
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4					
G.S.			1	1	
Cipher Office					
Command L.P.					
" H.P.					
T.E.V.					
Wireless I					
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5 cwt 4 x 4				
Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1	1		2
F.F.W.				
Office				
Water				
Wireless House				
4 x 4 personnel				
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4				
G.S.			1	1
Cipher Office				
Command L.P.				
" H.P.				
T.E.W.				
Wireless I				
Armoured Cars stripped				
Trailers 10 cwt				
15 cwt Water				

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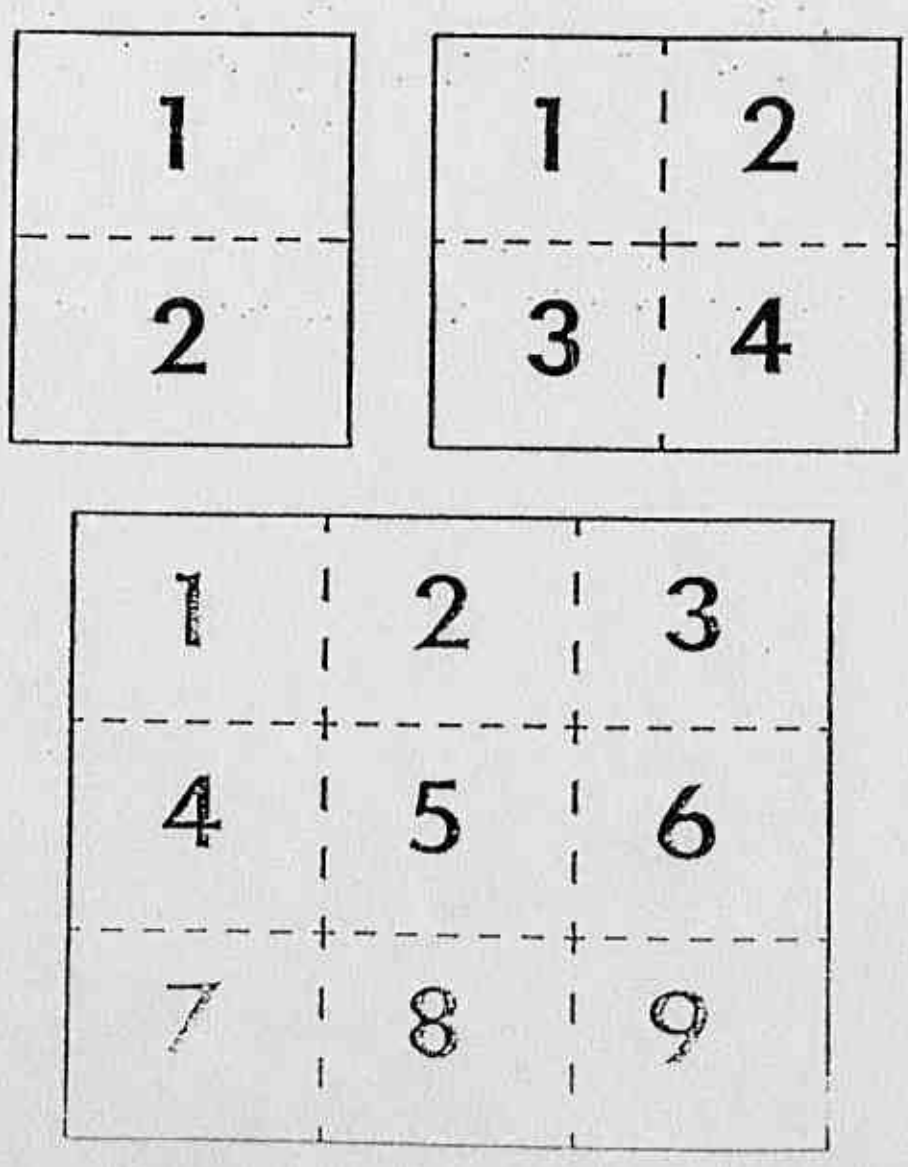

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W.E. of Vehicles GRUPPE 41 COMBATTIMEN

Div Hq Coy.

	OC Coy & Pl Cmdrs	RSM & CSM	Off & Sig Off & Cipher Off	No.19 Set Stations	Line trucks	D.Rs / Cooks & Stores	Tech Maint Lorry	Charging & Battery Lorry			Total Div Hq Coy
Motor Cycles solo		3			3	10					16
Cars 4 seater 4 x 2											
4 " 4 x 4											
5 cwt 4 x 4											
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1				3	1		1			6
F.F.W.											
Office			1								1
Water											
Wireless House				6							6
4 x 4 personnel											
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4											
G.S.					2	1	1	1			5
Cipher Office			1								1
Command L.P.											
" H.P.											
T.E.V.			1								1
Wireless I											
Armoured Cars stripped											

Gunner Rear Sig Platoon

	Pl Cmdr & Sjt / Signal Office	No.19 Set Stations	Line Trucks	Charging Lorry	D.Rs.	Cooks & Stores	Total Sig Pls
Motor Cycles solo	1		2		3		6
Cars 4 seater 4 x 2							
4 " 4 x 4							
5 cwt 4 x 4							
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1		3				4
F.F.W.		2					2
Office							
Water							
Wireless House		2					2
4 x 4 personnel							
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4							
G.S.	1		1	1		1	4
Cipher Office							
Command L.P.							
" H.P.							
T.E.V.							
Wireless I							
Armoured Cars stripped		1					1

Inf Bde Sig Platoon
Each

	Pl Cmdr & Sjt	Sig Office	No.19 Set Stations	No.22 Set Stations	Line Trucks	Charging Lorry	D.Rs	Cooks & Stores
Motor Cycles solo	1						3	
Cars 4 seater 4 x 2								
4 " 4 x 4								
5 cwt 4 x 4								
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1				2			
F.F.W.								
Office								
Water								
Wireless House			1	4				
4 x 4 personnel								
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4								
G.S.		1		1	1			1
Cipher Office								
Command L.P.								
" H.P.								
T.E.V.								
Wireless I								
Armoured Cars stripped			1					

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...icles GROUP 61 COMBATTIMENTO
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Each

Total Sig Pln	Pl Qmtr & Sjt	Sig Office	No.19 Set Stations	No.22 Set Stations	Line Trucks	Charging Lorry	D.R.	Cooks & Stores		Total 2 Inf Pln	Total Div Signals	
6	1						3			8	30	40%
												26
	1				2					6	16	22
2											2	4
												1
											1	
												-
2			1	4						10	18	
												12
												8
												-
		1			1	1		1		8	17	
												12
											1	
												-
												6
												2
											1	
												1
			1							2	3	
												1

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Motor Cycles Solo		3		3	10				16	1		2		3			6	1					3	
Cars 4 seater 4 x 2																								
4 " 4 x 4																								
5 cwt 4 x 4																								
Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2 G.S.	1			3	1	1			6	1		3					4	1			2			
F.F.W.											2						2							
Office		1							1															
Water																								
Wireless House			6						6		2						2			1	4			
4 x 4 personnel																								
Lorries 3 ton 4 x 4																								
G.S.				2	1	1	1		5	1	1	1	1	1			4		1			1	1	1
Cipher Office		1							1															
Command L.P.																								
" H.P.																								
T.E.V.		1							1															
Wireless I																								
Armoured Cars stripped											1						1			1				
Trailers 10 cwt																								
15 cwt water					1				1															

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6	1					3			8	30		26
												22
4	1				2				6	16		4
2										2		1
										1		-
2			1	4					10	18		12
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4		1			1	1		1	8	17		12
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1				1					2	3		
												1
												4
										1		1

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