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I.C.F.R. SECRET TRAINING

Opened July 31, 1944 Closed Sept 25, 1944

July Sept. 1944

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SUBJECT: Training - Gr[illegible]i di Combattimento.

TO : Sub-Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC,
ROME.

Copy to: "B" HLU 64 Garrison for Golardi.
SMRE

RAOC [illegible]ining Establishment.
Tel Fontecagnano 23 and 41
Ref TE/43
Date 25 Sep 44.

Ref your S/G/29/10 of 14 Sep 44.

1. The arrangements made in the above quoted letter have not been adhered to and the following have arrived here for training:-

	Offs	ORs.
Nembo (Folgore) Division	3	56
Legnano Division	4	71
	7	127

2. Of the 71 ORs of the Legnano Div., 17 are for training in ammunition duties but, as the course for this group cannot commence until 9 Oct., they are being returned to their Div. Will you please make arrangements for them to return here on 7 Oct?

3. I propose to treat the remaining 7 Offs and 110 ORs as if they all belonged to one group and carry on with their training, rather than waste time having the Folgore Div. personnel returned and replaced by Legnano Div. After training they can be re-distributed amongst their respective Divisions.

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Lt. Col.
Comd.
(J.H. SCOTT)

In the Field.

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A.M.M.I.A. 8/Sec
FILE REF
Date Rec'd 8/15

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

1 Oct 1944

CRD(B).

RELEASE NOTE

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorised.

Item Bren LMG Qty 60.

To whom released DMT for No 3 Italian Combat Group.

Release No. Q(AE) 31/20.

Remarks Training Scale of Item 1738 Item

Special Instructions DMT. & notify Ord consignment details

Major

for Brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to: DMT.- your DMT/184/MT dated 30 Sept 44 refers

M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Q(AE) BRANCH
TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427
4 Oct 1944

CFU(B).

RELEASE NOTE

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorised.

Item Rifles No 4. Qty 4500.

To whom released D.M.T. for No 3 Italian Combat Group.

Release No. Q(AE) 25/13

Remarks Training Scale for this item 1737

Special Instructions D.M.T. to notify Ord consignment details.

Major.
for Brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to: D.M.T. - your DMT/184/MT dated 30 Sep 44 refers
M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

4 Oct 1944

~~CRP(B).~~

RELEASE NOTE

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorised.

Item T.S.M-G. Qty 2500

To whom released D.M.T. for No 3 Italian Combat Group.

Release No. Q(AE) 30/22

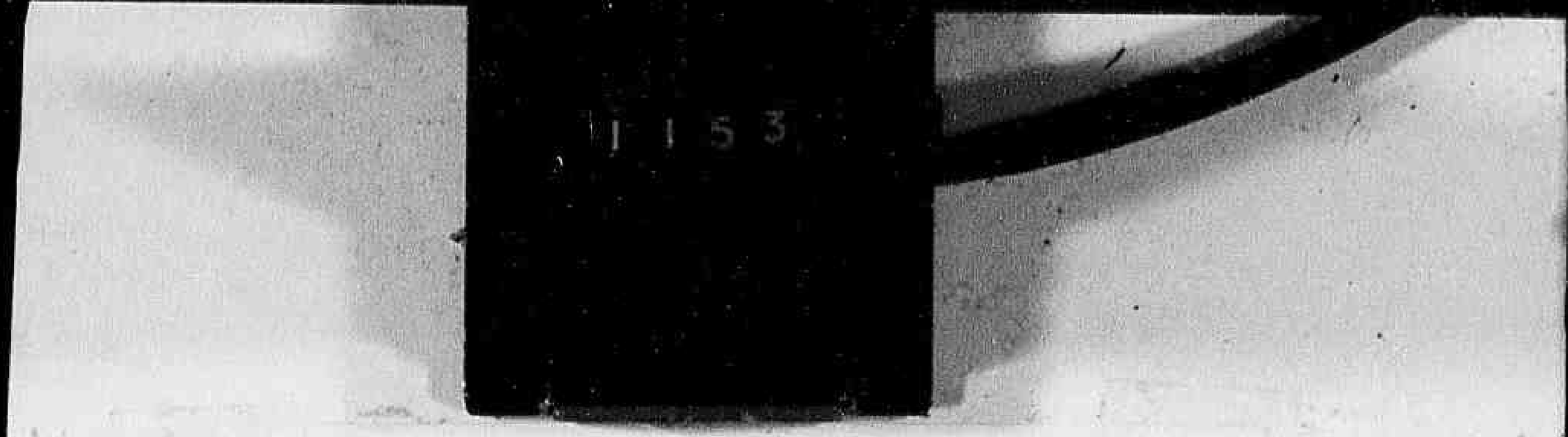
Remarks Training Scale for this item

Special Instructions D.M.T. to notify Ord Consignment 1735 details

Mayor

for
Brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to: D.M.T. - Your DMT/184/MT dated 30 Sep 44 refers
M.M.I.A



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SUBJECT:- Trg of Italian Drivers

M.Mtr Trn
FILE REF 354/10
Date Rec'd 7/11

S/Sec CONFIDENTIAL 147.

3 District
Ext 9
113/1/G

4 Oct 44

DMT

Copy to:- MMIA

Ref your DMT/116/MT.2 dated 2 Oct 44, copy to this HQ.

1. This requirement is fully endorsed, both for the Italian combat tps now organizing in this District, and for Italian Adm tps now working for the Allies, e.g. especially Signal and Engineer units.

2. A rough assessment would be Driving and Maintenance Courses of a fortnight or three weeks turning out 100 men per course, or of course more if it could be arranged.

Q. 8/10
E.P. Warner

EPW/FJS

(EP WARNER) Lt col GS
for Maj Gen
Comd



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ORG V LRAR NR9365

FROM NASC TD 061510
TO MMIA
INFO ~~MMIA~~
COK GR23 DT

TD/TS/GS
COURSE FROM SUPPLY COY LECHANO
DIV ASSEMBLED 5 OCT 44 (.)
REQUEST NEXT COUSE ASSEMBLE 13 OCT 44
DT THI 1745
SENT 0350 DC D 2 K
RECD 070350 A AAA AR

C/C Shields 7196 Army S/C 146.
Col Pearly Lewis
Has returned to me
8/15

N.1.9/07

M.M.I.A.
FILE REF.
Date Recd 7/10

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HEADQUARTERS
A. C. C.

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M.M.I.A. | 8/Sec
FILE REF | 129/10
Date Recd | 7.4.4

Subject: Courses. - Italian Car Matters.

To: D.M.E., A. F. H. Q.

From: Commdt., School of E. & M. E.

Ref: SS.23/21.

4 Oct. 44.

1. Courses Nos. 3 & 4 for the n/m. have been completed. No great difficulty was experienced in connection with the language.

2. The instruction was mainly of a practical nature, and the examination at the end of each course wholly practical.
Practical instruction was given on the following equipments and the students were given ample time and opportunity in handling all the equipments:-

O.Q.F. 6-Pdr.
" 25-Pdr.
" 17-Pdr.
O.B.Z. 4.5 - 5.5".

The standard of ability of these men is fairly good. Results of examinations are attached.

3. As no nominal roll has been received at this School, the units and/or formations of these personnel are not known.

L Ellis

Commandant, School of Electrical & Mech. Engineering.
Major,

C.M.F.
E/C/M.

Copy to:- M.M.I.A.

Q 7/10. 1733

Recommendation carried & actions see 1x2 comms. WP

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ITALIAN GUN FITTERS COURSES.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Course No. 3.

Period: 18 - 30 September, 1944.

No.	Rank.	Name.		Percentage of marks obtained.
4665	S/Sgt.	TOMATIS,	E.	94
50359	Sgt.	MARTINI,	G.	68
	Cpl.	TRENTINI,	A.	66
24262	Cpl.	GHIODINI,	C.	82
67529	Cpl.	ANTONINI,	G.	74
153346	Cpl.	MAFFEZZONI	A.	64
29063	Cpl.	MARTELLO,	R.	74
17190	Cpl.	VILLANOVA,	S.	90
15050	Cpl.	DE CECCO,	G.	86
00747	Pte.	MION,	G.	58
9784	Pte.	PIGNATON,	A.	88
25643	Pte.	TOGNATO,	D.	62

Course No. 4.

Period: 18 - 30 September, 1944.

	Sgt.	GENTILI,	A.	Hospital.
23590	Sgt.	ERIVIO,	E.	96
	Cpl.	FRIGERIO,	A.	80
	Cpl.	PONTRANDOLFO,	C.	78
1469	Cpl.	CAROLI,	A.	76
	Pte.	ZERBIN,	E.	88
	Pte.	GHIROLDI,		86
17437	Pte.	POLES,	B.	48
6022	Pte.	BASSI,	E.	86
	Pte.	CELLI,	R.	68
	Pte.	NARDINI,	V.	92
	Pte.	RAFFAELLI,	L.	74.

The results reflect accurately the work during the course.

Pte. Poles did not show any interest.

Sgt. Gentili did not take the course - Hospital.

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C O P Y.

M.M.I.A. FILE REF 129/10 Date Recd 7/10/44

Subject: Courses - Italian Gun Fitters.

To: D,M.E., A.F.H.Q. Ref: SEME/21.

From: Commdt., School of E. & M. E. 20 Sept. 44

1. The first two courses held at this School have been completed. No great difficulty was experienced in connection with language.

2. The instruction was mainly of a practical nature, and the examination at the end of each course wholly practical.

Practical instruction was given on the following equipments and the students were given ample time and opportunity in handling all the equipments:-

O.Q.F. 6-pdr.
" 25-pdr.
" 17-pdr.
O.B.L. 45 - 5.5"

The standard of ability of these men is fairly good. Results of examinations are attached.

3. As no nominal roll has been received at this School, the units and/or formations of these personnel are not known.

(Signed) F.ELLIOTT Major,
Commandant, School of Electrical & Mech. Engineering.

C.M.F.
F5/RH

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Copy to:- M.M.I.A. R 7/10

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C O P Y.

ITALIAN GUN FITTERS COURSES.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Course No.1. Period: 21 Aug. - 2 Sep. 44.

No.	Rank.	Name.		Marks obtained.
39538	W.O.	ROLLA,		
10665	Sgt.	ZAPPA,	S.	72%
21016	Sgt.	NICCOLI,	R.	88%
20282	Cpl.	MORO,	L.	82%
	Cpl.	BECHERINI,	A.	62%
32063	Pte.	GANDOLFHO,	G.	88%
924	S/Sgt.	ZARRILLO,	G.	66%
20203	Sgt.	MAROLINI,	G.	80%
	Cpl.	BONINI,	R.	92%
59514	Cpl.	BUONAMICI,	C.	70%
14012	Cpl.	GOLLO,	V.	74%
	Pte.	TABARINI,	N.	72%
				76%

The above results are a fair indication of the general ability of each student except in the case of W.O. Rolla.

Course No. 2. Period: 28 Aug. - 9 Sept. 44.

183	Tech.	SERANI,	S..	68%
45512	S/Sgt.	NASSINI,	P.	62%
	Sgt.	ROSATI,	G.	86%
	Sgt.	FORESI,	G.	54%
	S/Sgt.	CIRI,	D.	62%
	Sgt.	BALZAN,	G.	82%
	Sgt.	CINELLI,	M.	70%
10580	Cpl.	CLEMENTI,	V.	76%
	Cpl.	MIGLIORINI,	A.	76%
	L/Cpl.	AGOSTINI,	R.	82%
	Cpl.	CODONI,	G.	66%
		OLIVA,	N.	84%

W.O. SERANI obtained good marks on 2 tests, but his memory appeared to fail him on the third. His work was very satisfactory during the course.

Remainder as per results on practical.



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s/a 19/3

S/Secy.

Sec'o

Major Head. To what does this refer.

WP
5-0-h

LRKB V MIDY NR750

N QVR3

FROM MMIA LO NAPLES 041600

TO CMTC BENEVENTO FOR A AND B BLU

C/O 64 GARRISON FOR C AND D IBLU

INFO MMIA

QQX GR32 BT

5936 STN/20 COPIES OF ALL ARMY BOOKS AND FORMS IN ITALIAN

ARE AVAILABLE AT TWO ONE BRITISH STATIONERY DEPOT (.)

IF NOT BLU MUST INSTRUCT ITALIANS IN USE OF UNTRANSLATED TO

ENGLISH FORMS

BT

SENT NR750 2335 KW AR

RECD NR 750 2335 A AAA AR

1729

L. L. Price
Major
S.D.O.

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R.M.T.A. L.P. RAILS 061600

GEC DENZVERCO, for A & D GLO

c/o 64 CARRIAGE, FOR C & D SAS

INFO RAIA

0006 SIX/SO COPIES OF ALL KIDZ BOOKS AND TOYS IN ITALIAN ARE AVAILABLE AT TWO CDS ENTITLED STATIONERY SHOP. IF YOU DID NOT INSTRUCT ITALIANS AS USE OF UNTRANSLATED TO ENGLISH TERMS.

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M.M.I.A. FILE REF

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M.M.I.A.
FILE REF 1
Date Rec'd 6/01

15 LROF V LRLC OVR 3

~~PREVENT BURST~~

FROM MMIA LO MAPLES 041636

TO CMTC BENEVENTO FOR A AND B BLU

G4 GARRISON FOR C AND D BLU

INFO MMIA

OOX CR 32 BT

C836 STN/20 COPIES OF ALL ARMY BOOKS AND FORMS IN ITALIAN ARE AVAILABLE AT TVG ONE BRITISH STATIONARY DEPOT . IF NOT BLN MUST INSTRUCT ITALIANS IN USE OF UNTRANSLATED TO ENGLISH FORMS .

BT 041636

SENT NR 15 360412 BRB WBL K

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RD NT 15 360412 NTM AR K

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R783 1 29 9/6

LEGAT VIENNA WI 4:3 (IMPORTANT)

H CWB 1

FROM DIR ROUTINE 051200Z

TO AMEMBASSY

INFO AMCONSUL SALZBURG

DX -- ST

[illegible]/1530

RESTRICTED (.) REF TOSEC 51111 DTD NOV 1254 (.) NEITHER

THE INGREDIENTS FOR THE STORES CAN BE AVAILABLE BY 15 OCT (.)

REFER TO [illegible] YOU TO OUR LETTER DATED 55/1/11 OF 3 OCT AN PARA 1(C)

AND S

AT THE AAA

SENT MR 438 1752Z BEARS DDK

Amnd by SS/149 1726 6/10

SO MR 455 1725 Z 6 K

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ARMY FORM C.2128

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 31/3

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	
	IN
	OUT

S/Sec 29/10 4/10

No. of Groups: 68

Office Date Stamp: 225

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TO: HMIA info CMTC MMIA LO C/O PBS

FROM: FRIULI DIV

Originator's Number: MI

Date:

In Reply to Number:

RESTRICTED © Can you instruct 1/Ministry & War to send 2 ITALIAN MOs speaking English to report without fail to CMTC BENEVENTO on 7th Oct © first course agreed as proposed © Returning 6 HEC&IE

7/10

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Signature

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Signature

Originator's Instructions: Degree of Priority: IMPORTANT

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A.M.: 031858 A

TOR 1725

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SUBJECT :- Trg - Gruppi di Combattimento

MMIA LO
LEGNANO GRUPPO
c/o 'C' BLU
Ref A 6/29

2 Oct 44

HQ MMIA ROME

Copy to :- RACC Trg Est PONTECAGNANO

RACC Trg Est letter TE/43 of 25 Sep 44 has not been received by this office. Please fwd a copy sooneest. Am taking action in respect of your para 1.

Maj RA

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29/10

MESSAGE FORM

137.

From : MMIA

To : R A Training Team Italian Forces.

Date - Time 04 [illegible]

GS 140

Security Classification

Have had request from SHAE for following pamphlets in English for both 17 pdr and 40 mm (.) First GUN DRILL (.) Second HANDBOOK (.) Third RANGE TABLES all parts (.) Understand from Major DORBS that Colonel BEHR provided for SHAE originals of all pamphlets he thought necessary to translate (.) Please advise

1723

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER [signature]

Ens Copies

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s/a/ 110

Wills
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FM: MIA

TO: R A Training Team

RPTD: Info War Ministry
E and F BMUs
DNT
ADMAP
BAI

04 A

1110

SS 135

RESTRICTED

Your 0.04 dated 3 Oct refers (.) PAREN BASE AREA COMMAND _____ PAREN (.)
Dates for next artillery course for Regimental Instructors will be 21 October to 12 November both days inclusive (.) Personnel will be from SAIGON and PICEND groups (.) Numbers of officers and ORs same as for previous courses (.) 1722
War Ministry will select students and interpreters and arrange movement to and from school on appropriate dates.

PRECEDENCE Routine

AUTHENTICATED [illegible]

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R23/35

Maj Gregson.
Arrange RA. course for 5 & 6 Egps.
~~20~~ 21 Oct to 12 Nov. incl.
Same numbers as before
War Trim to arrage details.
Inform: War Trim
R.A.T.T. (Delhi)
E. & F BLU.
ADNAP
AAL.

TS/6/29

WP 20/x.

8/Sec 29/10

3/10

LROF V MEDY V LRSJ NR 148 ROUTINE

QQY GR 13

FROM R A TRG TEAM ITALIAN FORCES 030900A

1721

TO M M I A

O Ø4 CONFIDENTIAL . PLEASE SEND PROJECTED PLANS ARTL/// ARTILLERY TRAINING REGIMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS NEXT TWO G R U P P I

THI Ø31Ø35A

SENT NR 148 1150A WHH AR K

RECD 148 1150 REB BE

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

16/4

Register No.

Call	Ref. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

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Office Date Stamp

FROM (A) Originator: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED Cite FHQRR

Date-Time of Origin: 031914A

For Action

MMIA

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

SCHOOL OF E & ME SCAFATI CMF, 94 SUB AREA

Message Instructions — CP

5B
5/6/52/10.

Originator's No.

FX33836 (.) RESTRICTED (.) UNDERSTAND FROM HEAD COMMENCEMENT LAST 2 GUN FITTERS COURSES MAY BE DELAYED (.) SIGNAL EARLIEST RPTD SCHOOL DATES COMMENCEMENT WHEN FIRM (.) PRESUME SCHOOL WANT STUDENTS TO REPORT ON A SUNDAY

Jr.

1729

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR		
Time cleared		

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Signed

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Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

(OVER) W 25715 1,000,000 Pads 1-41 6 A-2

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FROM MMIA

TO School of E and ME

RPTD Info War Ministry
"E" and "F" MLU
AFHQ

SS 134

O/A 1410 A

RESTRICTED

SEM 121

Your ~~QQAGR72~~ dated 2 Oct refers (.) PAREN ROME AREA COMMAND PAREN (.)

Many thanks 12 gun fitters from MANTOVA group will be sent for course commencing October 15 and 12 from PICENO group for course commencing October 30 (.) War Ministry will select students and arrange for their transportation to and from school on appropriate dates (.)

PRECEDENCE Routine

AUTHENTICATED Lt Col Sawyer

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

03 A

FROM : MMIA

TO : D.M.T. ADNAP

INFO : "A" "B" "C" "D" B.L.U.

1200 29/10.

SS 131 CLASSIFICATION .....

Full scale training programme for LEGNANO and FOLGORE due to begin OCTOBER 15th (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren Grateful for all the help your training teams can give (.) Their functions with FRIULI and CREMONA should be diminishing

PRECEDENCE .. ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATED

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

SEGRETO

n. 7391 /Ord. di prot. P.M. 151, 2 ottobre 1944

OGGETTO: Fascicolo "Formazioni e organici per gruppo di combattimento" ediz. settembre 1944.-

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO (MEIA) ROMA

Riferimento foglio S/G/29/10 del 27 settembre u.s. diretto al Ministero della Guerra.-

Si trasmettono n° 12 copie, contraddistinte dai numeri 166 - 167 - 168 - 169 - 170 - 171 - 172 - 173 - 174 - 175 - 176 - 177, del fascicolo "Formazioni e organici provvisori per gruppi di combattimento" edizione settembre 1944.-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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ARMY FORM C.2128

MESSAGE FORM 5/29/10

Cyber Secret

Serial No. 19/2

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No. of Groups OR. 126

Office Date Stamp 220

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TO MMIA

FROM (A)BLA

Originator's Number GTI | Date 11 | In Reply to Number 130

Restricted O translated	O Require send	Ref list available	your of now	SS modification	120 handbooks
					S/See
					3/To

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( ) Wireless

Signature

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Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time of Origin 11

T.H.I. 021204

T.O.R. 1716

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ARMY FORM C-2128

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2/2

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5/6/29/60

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No. of Groups | Office Date Stamp

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MMIA | S/Sec. 1

FILE REF

Date Recd 3/01

TO MMIA

FROM (A) DLH

Originator's Number A 66 | Date 021130 | In Reply to Number

Info already	required requested	concerning info	progress Tehran	translations AFS

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Signature DLH

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T.O.R. 030045 A 1715

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OK

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MAY 2
FILE COPY
Date Rec'd

LROF V LAEE NR370P OP

QVR-1

FROM SCHOOL OF E AND ME 021030A

TO MMIA

INFO DME AFHQ

QQX QR72

SEME 21. RESTRICTED. REF ITALIAN

GUNFITTERS. ATTENDANCE TO DATE FORTY EIGHT TWELVE

F R I U L I NO1 COURSE 21 AUG TO 2 SEPT

TWELVE CRE MONA NO2 COURSE 25 AUG TO 9 SEPT TWELVE

DK

FOLGORE NO 3 COURSE 16 ~~SEPT~~ SEPT TO 30

SEPT ~~TWELVE~~ TWELVE CORPS OF ~~LIVERATION~~ LIVERATION NO4 COURSE 16 SEPT TO 1714

30 SEPT. ALL NOW RETURNED TO UNITS. NONE IN SCHOOL AT

PRESENT. CAN TAKE FURTHER COURSES OF TWELVE (12)

EACH 15 OCT AND 30 OCT

BT

SENT NR37 021550A JP AR K

RD NR 37 021550A HTH BBB

R998 33/2 128

5/6/29/10.

O.K. accept for Mantova & Piceno respectively. Arrange & notify Washin. E. & F BCU AFHQ & SEME

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Call | Sct. No. | Precedence | Time and Instructions | Register No.

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FROM (A) Originator: B DLG — Date-Time of Origin: 01 12.30 — Office Date Stamp

For Action: S/Sgt Lo

TO: MMIA — (W) For Information (INFO)

M.M.I.A.	S/Sec
FILE REF	
Date Recd	2/10/

2131

Originator's No.: AN 11 — Message Instructions — GR

Pamphlets rec'd to date only 22 sets part 1, Telephone 5, wave-meters class D, batteries D Pleas remainder 0 They have now been either in translation or in printers for over a month

1713

Maj Fleming & Sgt Lucas Speaking to about

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Signature

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Signed P Fleming Sgt

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING PRIORITY: P 2/10

Time | System | Up

THI or TOR 0115 0

Time cleared

(GV24) WP 40-54 — 1,000 Wt Pads, 5-42, P. & S. Div. 33-6754-S

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MESSAGE FORM

Date Time of Origin

1 1525A

From : MMIA

To (For Action): A BLU

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Translation

From SPIRE
To Mil Mg. Calabria
+ for info to MMSA
Subject Medical Training Courses 5/6129/10

Ref. 1AOD
Date Sept

Ref. your 5/6/29/10 dated 29/9

This letter is for your information. Further information will be sent later on.

I. It is probable that training courses for 1711 personnel of the Med Service with the Combat Groups in the address will be announced

II One office - 14 NCO's and OR's from each Combat Group must participate in said Courses. These men are to be drawn from the Medical Section and are to be selected from among the best elements.

III The courses should start within the first two weeks of the month.

We will inform you as to place and date later on.

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IV The Officer Regulations Remarks to produce three Officers Interpreters, if possible Italian.

Maj Surgeon. Tell SMRE to send at once MP Gen Staff

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Stato Maggiore Regio Esercito
UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

n° /ADD.di prot. P.M.151,11 sett.1944.-

O G G E T T O: corsi di addestramento sul servizio sanitario.

Modello Trasmissione Ordine

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CALABRIA P.M.114
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA P.M.100
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA P.M. 67
AL COMANDO GRUPPI CC.BB. CREMONA P.M. 64
AL COMANDO GRUPPI CC.BB. FOLGORE P.M.146
AL COMANDO GRUPPI CC.BB. FRIULI P.M. 79
AL COMANDO GRUPPO CC.BB LEGNANO P.M.155
AL COMANDO GRUPPI CC.BB. LEMTOV. P.M.104
AL COMANDO GRUPPO CC.BB.FRIGNO P.M. 98
ALLO S.M.R.E.-Uff.Legr.e Pers.- SEDE

e,per conoscenza:

ALLA R.M.I.A. -Sott.per l'Esercito- ROMA
(riferimento suo S/G/29/10 del 29/9)

A scopo orientativo e con riserva di precisazioni.

I° - E' probabile che vengano indetti corsi di addestramento per il personale del Servizio di Sanità dei Gruppi di Combattimento in indirizzo.

II° - A tali corsi dovranno partecipare per ciascun Gruppo di Combattimento:

1 ufficiale - 14 sottufficiali e truppa tr
da trarsi dalla Sezione di Sanità, scegliendoli fra gli elementi migliori.

III° - I corsi dovrebbero aver inizio entro la prima quindicina del mese in corso.
Riserva di precisare data e località di svolgimento.

IV° - L'ufficio Segreteria e Personale predisporrà gli ufficiali interpreti possibilmente medici.

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OGGETTO: corsi di addestramento del servizio sanitario.

Medical Training Course

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Allo S.M.R.E.-Uff.Segr.e Ivrea.-	SEDE

e,per conoscenza:

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p.c.c.
IL COLONNELLO in s. di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
(G. FERRARIS)

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- A. Santi -

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Subject :- Courses.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.
S/G/29/10.
30 Sept., 44.

To :- MMIA LO B BLU.

Ref. your CR/Trng/5, dated 26th. Sept., 44.

1. It is not proposed to issue Horrocks Boxes to Gruppi di Combattimenti who will use their own STERILCLO system of water purification.

However a hygiene course is being arranged at BENEVENTO probably from 9th. to 15th. October and water duties will be included in syllabus. Personnel trained can pass their knowledge on to others in units.

2.. A.F.H.Q. are arranging training for unit armourers. The present suggestion is that British armourers, who are at present available, will be sent to BENEVENTO; but full details will be sent you as soon as received from REME, AFHQ.

for Major General. 1709
M.M.I.A.



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SECRET.

CR/Trng/5 124.

26 Sep 44.

S/0/29/10.

From : MMIA LO Cremona Combat Gp

To : HQ MMIA ROME

Subject : Courses.

It is requested that you will arrange courses for Other Ranks of the Cremona Combat Group as under :-

Type of Course	No. to be trained
Water Duties	15
Armourers (small arms)	20

[illegible] 1748,
M.M.I.A. L.O. Cremona Combat Group.

Copy to : G-2, "D" B.L.U.



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FROM (A) Originator: A BLU. Date Time of Origin: 30th 1145

For Action

(1) MMIA S/Sgt/10.

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp: M.M.I.A. FILE REF Date Rec'd

Message Instructions — CR —

Originator's No. C 55

In view actual experience training with this group now considers it highly and urgently desirable to have pamphlet 2nd Training part 8 dated March 44 translated into ITALIAN earliest. Also prev copies Spencer requested SOUTHBY - PIDSLEY 1st Sept. May approx 12 copies this pamphlet en route date please to supplied to A BLU forthwith

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Authenticating Officer [illegible]

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5/6/29/10.

From: MMIA

To(For Action) C BLU

To(For Infn) 1 AFW (Aden. Base W/S)

Ref No SS 136

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Ensure transport available at 1 AFW 14th October to collect 2 officers and 50 ORs who will complete course that day Parea Rome area ——— Parea.

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S/Sgt Slotkin.

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FROM 2323rdA AFHR.

TO SCHOOL OF E AND RE SCAFATI CNF.

INFO MMIA

DR 164 DT

Ref No.

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ONE PD ATTENDANCE OF GUN FITTERS TO DATE AS FOLLOWS

TWELVE RA EACH FROM FRIULI ORIENTAL POLCORE AND — CORPS OF LOCGRATION

TOTAL FORTY-EIGHT PD (AM32141)

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FROM [redacted] 2920ORA AFHQ.

TO SCHOOL OF E AND ME SCAFATI ONE.

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ONE PD ATTENDANCE OF GUN FITTERS TO DATE AS FOLLOWS

TWELVE RA EACH FROM FRIULI CREMONA FOLGORE AND [redacted] CORPS OF LIBERATION

TOTAL FORTY-EIGHT PD FX32147

TWO PD YOU WILL REQUIRE TWELVE COLLECTED

FROM SC[redacted] SCHOOL ON 1 OCT AND TWELVE ON 15 OCT PD

STATE FORMATIONS TO WHICH THESE BELONG PD

THREE PD NEXT BATCH OF TWELVE

[redacted] EXPECTED BY YOU ON 15 OCT AND ANOTHER TWELVE ON 30 OCT THESE

TO BE COLLECTED 30 OCT AND 16 NOV RESPECTIVELY PD DONE FELPOT

RENE 7625 DATE 2 SEPTEMBER

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Gruppi

SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

S/Sec 291/10

DMT/55/MT1

27 Sep 44

HQ "A" Trg Increment, British Liaison Unit, CMF
HQ "B" Trg Increment, British Liaison Unit, CMF

Copies to :-
G-3 Trg (Br) AFHQ (4)
HQ, AAI (4)
MMIA (6)
CMTC (3)
RA Trg Team Italian Forces, CMF
Col S.C.W.W. AEAI, HQ, Trg Increment
Italian Forces, c/o CMTC, CMF

Reference this Directorate's letter DMT/55/MT1 of 24 Aug 44.

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RA Trg Team Italian Forces, CMF
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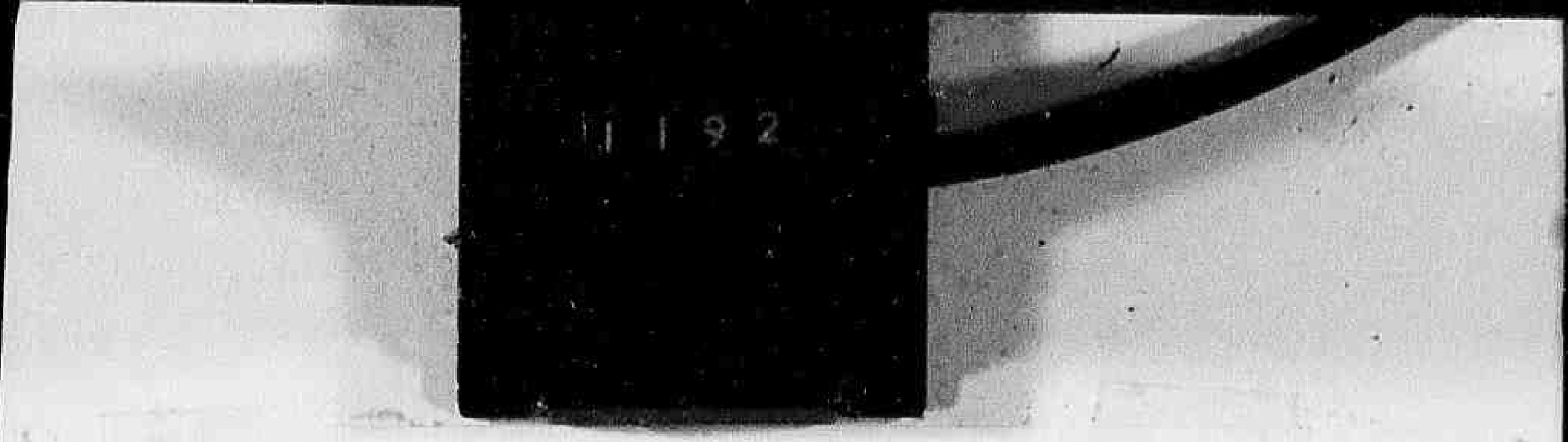
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Roope Steinhauer
for Brig.,
D.M.T.

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Tus file wP
Send a copy to Each BLU
~~and available~~
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Military Mission
Italian Army.
HQ/S
P/O/2V/10
29 Sept 44

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Subject: Training - Italian Combat Groups

1.

SECRET
AFHQ
FANAD

Reference telephone conversation today Col Thistlewaite - Col Pilcher on subject of course of instruction in Military Hygiene for Italian Combat Groups.

1. It is desired to send the following personnel from the Hygiene Platoons of each Combat Group:-

1 Officer 14 Other Ranks

2. It is suggested that 3 courses each of 6 days be arranged on the following dates:-

1st Course 24th to 29th Oct 44. Friuli & Cremona Groups
2nd Course 23rd to 28th Oct 44. Legnano & Folgore Groups
3rd Course 13th to 18th Nov 44. Mantova & Piceno Groups

2 Officers and 28 other ranks to attend each course.
Interpreters (medical if possible) will be provided by Italian Army.

The proposed dates and numbers attending these courses are given in order to fit in with training and other future plans.
[redacted] will visit Naples and Benevento on 2nd and 3rd October and will call at your office to discuss any alterations or suggestions to the above proposals.

WP
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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: Ministry of War
MMI 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F'.
Internal - Med.

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Subject :- Training - Italian Combat Force.

Military Mission Italian Army,
A C M F.
S/C/29/10.
29 Sept., 44.

To :- War Ministry.

As you know instructors for the first four Groups have been or are being trained at British Schools.

It is considered that sufficient instructors for the MANTOVA and PICENO Groups will have been trained in the following subjects:

Infantry Weapons
Infantry Tactics
Signals.

It is not therefore proposed to arrange any more courses at British Schools in these subjects. Will you confirm that the necessary Italian Instructors will be available when required, for training MANTOVA and PICENO Groups in the above subjects.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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SUBJECT : Training Vehicles.

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

Tel : 11656

DMT/184/MT.2

27 Sep 44

O i/c 'B' British Liaison Unit.

Copy to : M.M.I.A., C.M.F.

S/Sec 29/9
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Ref your G/T/1 dated 19 Sep 44.

1. Will you please forward MER certificates for the vehicles which are definite non-runners, whom efforts will be made to obatin more suitable replacement vehicles.

2. Your difficulties as regards to repairs to vehicles are fully appreciated by this Directorate and the matter is being submitted to MMIA for action as they consider necessary.

3. Owing to shortages of transport in this theatre, Class V vehicles had, of necessity, to be issued for your training purposes.

Maj Hewetson R 29/9.

for Brig.,
D.M.T.

RT/hj

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T30.

SECRET

Military Mission Italian Army.
ROME.
S/G/29/10
28 Sept 44.

To: O.C., RAOC Trg Establishment.
PONTECAGNANO.

copy to: MMIA LO C BLO.
S.M.R.E.

SUBJECT: Training - Gruppi di Combattimenti.

Ref your T.4/43 dated 25.9.44

1. I note that the 17 men for training in ammunition duties were returned by you to the LEGNANO Div. Arrangements will be made by Major GELARDI MMIA LO LEGNANO Div to have them returned to you on 7.10.44. He will arrange for their transportation.

2. I notice that copy of your letter to Major GELARDI was addressed B BLO. Actually the BLO with the LEGNANO Div (Maj GELARDI) is C BLO, not B. I feel sure, however, that 64 Garrison will forward your letter to Major GELARDI.

3. Thank you for the action taken in para 3 of your letter, with which we agree entirely.

tvs.MG.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

N° 839 /A/E/II P.M. 151, li 28 9-1944

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ALLA M.M.I.A.
-Sottocomm.per l'Esercito-
ROMA

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
-A. Sorti-

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3) - Grenade;
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5) - Pistol;
6) - Working instruction wierless sets n.18 (part.1^) vol.III°,
7) - Artillery training (v.III) Field Gunnery Pamphlet n°6;
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7) - Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF, 6-PR 7 - cwt Mark II and IV on carriage, 6-PR,marks I,Ot III,1943;
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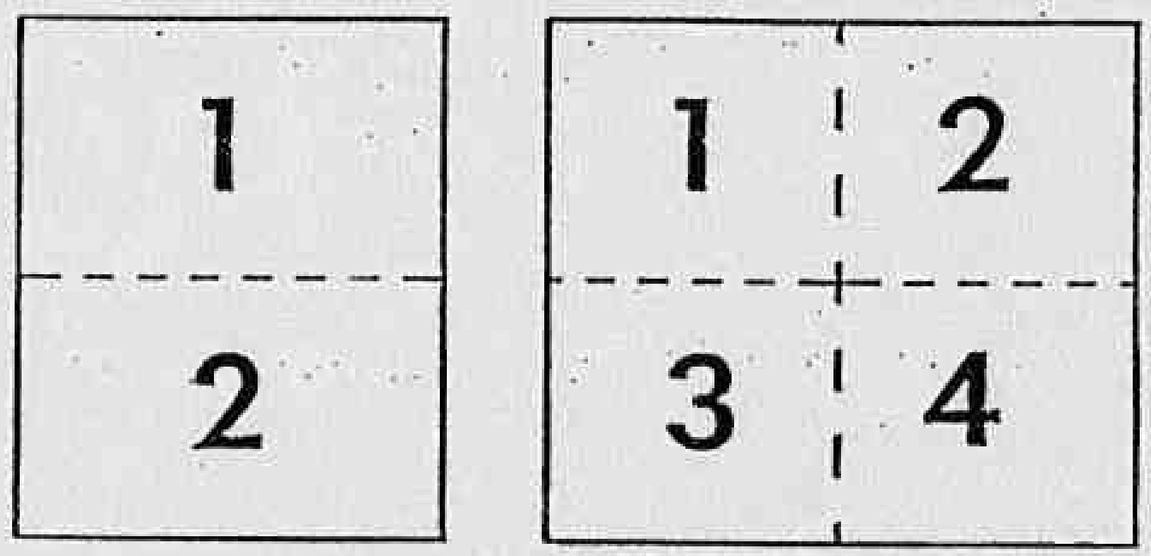
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
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Fucile mitragliatore = n°4	2	1	1	125	136	75
Applicazioni del fuoco = n°2	2	1	1	125	136	75
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Moschetto aut.Thompson =n°21	2	1	1	125	136	75
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STATO MAGGIORE R. E.



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CR/Trng/ 4

26 Sep 44.

From : MMLA LO Cremona Combat Group

To : HQ MMLA ROME

S/619/10.

Subject : Training Pamphlets.

It is requested that you will forward as early as possible the undermentioned training pamphlets. It is not necessary that these should be in Italian, although this would be an advantage :-

Infantry Training Pamphlet	No.1	60 copies.
do.	No.2	20
do.	No.3	20
do.	No.4	20
do.	No.5	20
do.	No.6	20
do.	No.7	20
do.	No.8	60
Weapon Training Pamphlets (all arms applicable to Combat Group)	.....	60 copies each.

Major,
M.M.I.A. L.O. Cremona Combat Group.

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Copy to : G-2, "B" B.L.U.

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Subject: Training - Gruppi di combattimento.

RACC Train. & Establishment.
Tel Pontecagnano 23 and 41
Ref TE/43
Date 25 Sep 44.

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To: Army Sub-Commission (AMMA)
HQ, ACC,
ROME.

Copy to: "F" BIII 64 Garrison for Gelardi.
SMHE.

AMMA 8/
FILE RE: 391/10
Date Rec'd 28/9/

Ref your S/G/29/10 of 14 Sep 44.

1. The arrangements made in the above quoted letter have not been adhered to and the following have arrived here for training:-

	Off	ORs.
Nembo (Folgore) Division	3	56
Legnano Division	4	71
	7	127

2. Of the 71 ORs of the Legnano Div., 17 are for training in ammunition duties but, as the course for this group cannot commence until 9 Oct., they are being returned to their Div. Will you please make arrangements for them to return here on 7 Oct ?

3. I propose to treat the remaining 7 Offs and 110 ORs as if they all belonged to one group and carry on with their training, rather than waste time having the Folgore Div. personnel returned and replaced by Legnano Div. After training they can be re-distributed amongst their respective Divisions.

1. Arrange list etc for para 2.
2. Thank them for their action & confirm

W.P. 20/9

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J.H. Scott Major
for Lt.Col.
Cond.
(J.H. SCOTT)

In the Field.

5/6/29/10

SUBJECT: Notes on the Training of Italian Divisions.

TOP SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 16950

DMT/55/ACT1

21 SEP 44

GSO.I, No. HLO,
(Att Division).

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1. You will be receiving instructions for the work of the HLO from MMIA. These notes are issued with his agreement, designed to enable you to advise and help in planning and supervising the training side of your work. It is most important that no time is lost in getting training soundly directed, and going on intensively.

2. The object of training these Italian Divisions is:-

To fit the Italian Combat Groups to take over a defensive sector on the Italian Front at the earliest possible date, and to make them capable of carrying out an active defence, and after experience in this role of participating in attacks in conjunction with Allied troops.

3. During the period of re-equipping and reorganising, divisional and regimental Commanders and their staffs will have much else to do as well as training. They will probably welcome all the assistance you can give in drawing up the training programme and supervising its execution, and in reconnoitering suitable areas for schemes and field firing.

4. Time is very short. In a period of five or six weeks, the following training tasks have to be fully covered before the divisions go into action :-

(a) Learning to handle the new weapons and equipment. Not more than three weeks (and preferably two), can be allotted to this, including field firing.

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These two phases of training must go on simultaneously. Officers and intelligent NCOs should not require as many hours to master the new weapons as rank and file. This training of officers and NCOs must start together with (a) in the evenings and in any periods when they can be spared from the weapon training classes. This tactical instruction must at first be limited to what is necessary to ensure that by the first or second week in October, they can take their sub-units out on battle training schemes, using their weapons.

By the time the divisions are moved forward, (in the case of the FRIULI work to third or fourth week in October), this elementary battle training must have progressed far enough to enable regimental groups to carry out field firing exercises by night as well as by day, in co-operation with their own mortars and artillery.

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5. Tactical Training

(a) Subjects suggested

In the time available, obviously training cannot be given in all tactical operations. Divisional commanders will be well advised to concentrate tactical training on what is required for :-

(i) Moving into by night, and taking over, a sector of a defensive front, and co-ordinating a plan for defence against Germans. If you assist with making a scheme for this, I suggest as a suitable background the defence of a river line in fairly enclosed and not very mountainous country.

(ii) Planning and practice in carrying out immediate counter attacks by a company in local reserve on a prepared plan, with the co-ordinated support of machine guns, mortars and artillery. This should be done by night as well as by day.

(iii) Briefing and carrying out both reconnaissance and fighting patrols. (By night and across a river is the standard to be aimed at).

(iv) Dispositions to cover bridging operations, combined with a bridging exercise by R.E., starting at night and using smoke cover by day.

(v) Moving a regimental group into a bridgehead, and forming up for an attack on covering position through a minefield.

(b) Methods of Training

There is no time for any more lecturing or discussing beyond the bare minimum essential: a few short talks, each followed by a short sand model demonstration or exercise followed straight away by doing the task in the country and repeating it until adequately performed. The Italian students at the CMTC on the tactical course said that they found the high proportion of practical work a novelty on officers' courses. They liked it, but appeared to regard it as abnormal to get dirty with the men so often. If training is to start early, it will be well to provide the officers, as well as the men, with denims or working clothing.

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(b) Enemy mortar fire, and methods of overcoming it.

(c) Central control of artillery with the help of the Air O.P.

(d) The recent German tendency to use night for counter attack; and to counter attack with smaller groups as a result of our air and artillery superiority.

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(e) Enemy demolitions and their influence on movement.

(f) The problem of getting anti-tank defence forward co-ordinated early.

A.G. Kenchington

AGK/ae

Brig.,
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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

DMT/162/MT.2

Tel : 11375

24 Sep 44.

M.M.I.A. FILE REF Sec 8 Jan 40 Date Recd 28/9/44

SUBJECT : Courses for ITALIAN Army.

M.M.I.A.
HQ AAI (For "G" Trg).

Enclosed for information are :-

1. Report on ITALIAN Officers attending Junior Leaders Course Tactical School CMTC.

2. Report on ITALIAN officers and NCOs attending Platoon Weapons and 3" Mortar courses at Weapon Training School CMTC.

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SUBJECT : Course Report - Italian Officers.

HQ Tactical School
CMTC, CMF
TS/59/13

16 Sep 44.

HQ "G" CMTC (3)

The following report on the above officers attending Junior Leaders Wing Course No.7 has been received and is forwarded to you in triplicate as requested :-

"The twelve Italian officers attending this course showed great keenness and interest in all they did and saw. They continually stressed the need for much greater detail in their own training, and were very impressed by the "Location and observation" periods, a subject they do not touch during their own training in the Italian Army. All officers were well above average, and the outstanding student was Col FERRARA who showed great keenness. Useful suggestions for further courses were raised at all discussions."

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HEHJ/NM

(Sgd) A.H.E. HOWELL
Col Comd.

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CONSOLIDATED REPORT ON ITALIAN COURSES.

(A) PLATOON WEAPONS - SERIES NO 1.

(B) 3" MORTAR - SERIES NO 1.

1. VACANCIES ALLOTTED.

The vacancies allotted to the Italian Army for these courses were (a) Platoon Weapons - 20 Offrs 50 NCOs and (b) 3" Mortar - 18 Offrs 22 NCOs. All these turned up with the exception of one NCO on Pl Weapons who fell sick. Officers and NCOs attending the courses were representatives from the following Italian Divisional Groups :-

CREMONA
FRUILI
MANTOVA
GRANATIERE
PICENO

2. STANDARD OF STUDENTS ON ARRIVAL.

No Italian Officer or NCO had any knowledge of British Infantry weapons and none of them had a workable knowledge of the English Language.

An Italian Officer interpreter was posted to each squad under Instruction. All Italian personnel (with one or two exceptions only) showed great keenness to do their utmost on the course. The standard of discipline and morale was on a much higher level than could have been anticipated.

The interpreters who arrived five days prior to the opening of the course were put through the Course Syllabus, this was undoubtedly of great value and did much to accelerate Instruction and keep abreast of the arranged programme.

3. RESULTS OF COURSE.

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The results of these two courses may be summarised as follows :-

(i) The will to work and the desire to learn all that could be learned was on a high level throughout the courses.
(ii) Marksmanship and the handling of the weapons reached a standard considerably higher than was expected.
(iii) Technical knowledge of the various weapons reached by the conclusion of the courses was reasonably good. It is however recommended that owing to the shortness of the courses and the concentration of much subject matter, every opportunity be given for these Officer and NCO Instructors to practice what they have been taught so as to perfect their handling.
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(iv) Considerable difficulty was experienced by the Italians in grasping the sequence of teaching the various lessons. This can only be rectified by as much practice amongst themselves as possible, and by a constant study of the S.A.T. manuals which they have had translated.
(v) Colonels CARPITELLA G - TANZI M - and ANGELINI G together with the Interpreters worked extremely hard throughout the courses and it is believed these Officers have fully grasped the British sequence and system of training. It is assumed that these officers will be employed in an advisory and supervision capacity during the training of the Unit Cadres in these Italian Groups. This alone will ensure a continuity in training on the lines as demonstrated during the courses.
(vi) The wastage through sickness was considerable as is disclosed by the following details :-
(a) In hospital throughout the greater part of the Course.....5
(b) Missed one week of course.....10
It is for consideration whether it would not be worth while for COLONEL RAVALGI to collect the above and put them through a Cadre course under Italian arrangements.

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(vii) With the aid of the Interpreters all Officers and NCOs who attended the courses were classified according to their judged ability to Instruct in British Weapons, the gradings are as shown on Annexure "A"

GENERAL REMARKS.

(i) I was impressed with the sustained enthusiasm of these Italians throughout both courses, and am of the opinion that sufficient detail was absorbed by the majority of the Officers and NCOs to enable these weapons to be taught to Italian Unit Instructors.

(ii) The keeness showed by the Interpreters throughout was outstanding. These Officers have fully absorbed the British System of Training and are fully capable of directing such training in the Italian Groups.

(iii) Discipline was enforced on British lines and the Italians responded by this lead. There were no incidents of any kind throughout the courses.

(iv) It is considered important that the interest shown by the Italians whilst at this school should not be permitted to dis-integrate, it is felt that much can be done to sustain this acquired interest by the issue of a universal uniform at the earliest possible date. The provision of the necessary British Arms and equipment is of course essential.

(v) With regard to Training Equipment it is realised that this is on short supply in this theatre, the necessary steps have accordingly been taken to ensure that the Italians were in possession of the necessary details in order to construct "improvised articles" such as are used at the School.

(vi) Only a small number of the relative S.A.T. Pamphlets translated into Italian have been completed. It is a matter of the utmost importance that an adequate supply, on the scale of all Instructors, be furnished before Unit Instruction in Italian Groups commences. This point cannot be too strongly emphasised, as it is on the basis of adequate training pamphlets that the success of the scheme will hang.

(vii) It is desired to record that the maximum assistance in the running and organisation of the courses has been given by COLONEL REVALGI who has worked in the closest liaison in all matters. He and his Directing Staff will it is hoped appreciate the advisability of a continuance of this liaison, so that such problems as may arise in his Regt Cadres may be adjusted.

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(Sgd) W. FOSTER-GREENWOOD
Lt-Col
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ANNEKURE "A"

	PLATOON WEAPONS		3" MORTAR	
	OFFRS	NCOs	OFFRS	NCOs
POTENTIAL INSTRUCTORS FOR AN ITALIAN WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL.	3	4	4	3
POTENTIAL UNIT INSTRUCTORS	15	33	12	13
NOT CLASSIFIED OWING TO SICKNESS OR OTHER REASONS	2	12	2	6
T O T A L S	20	49	18	22

NOTE. Individual reports on Officers and NCOs are held in the School Records.

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Military Mission Italian Army.
R O M E.

E/G/29/10.
27 Sept., 44.

Ministry of War.

Would you please forward to this H.Q. 12 copies of FORMAZIONI ed ORGANICI PROVISIORI per GRUPPO di COMBATTIMENTO.

gb.MG.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Wall Diagrams.

Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.

S/G/29/10.
27 Sept., 44.

Ministry of War. attn SMRE Lt-Col. FERRARI.

Further to my letter ofS/G/29/10 dated 12th. Sept., 44. additional supply of Wall Diagrams is forwarded herewith.

These should be translated and printed into Italian in sufficient numbers to allow of their distribution down to platoons for the Gruppi di Combattimenti. Please inform me when copies of the 3 diagrams previously given to you will be ready

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gb.MG.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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Military Mission Italian Army,
R O M E.

S/C/29/10.
27 Sept.. 44.

To:- L.M.T., A.F.H.Q.

Subject:- Wall Diagrams.

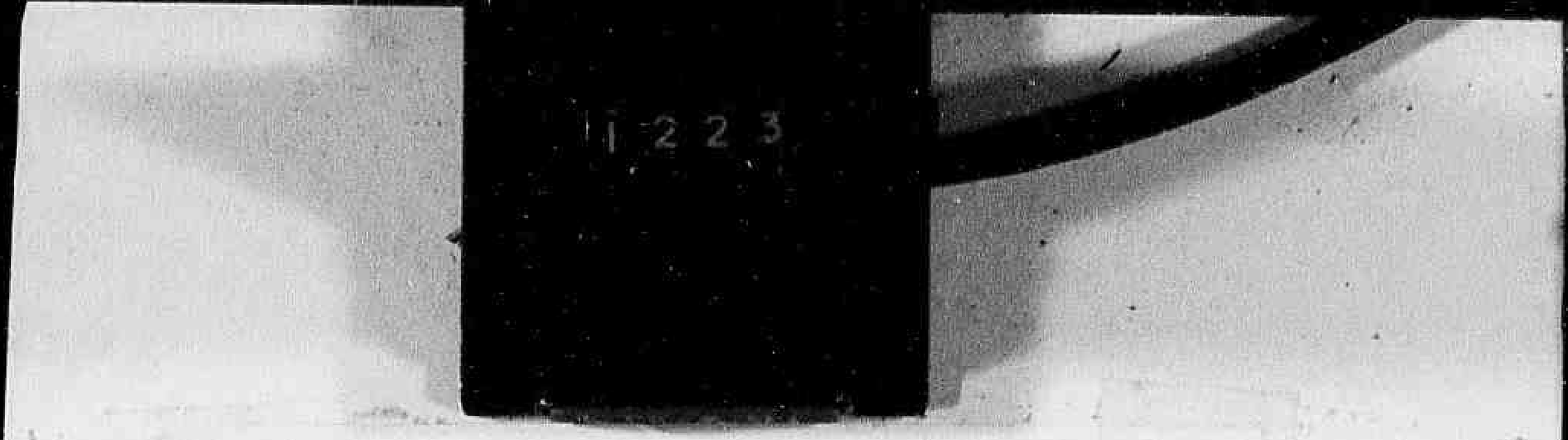
Reference your DMT/184/MT2 dated 25th. Sept.,44.

I acknowledge the receipt of further copies of Weapon Training Wall Diagrams.

These have been forwarded to the Ministry of War for translation into Italian in sufficient quantities for distribution down to platoons for the Gruppi di Combattimenti. 1682

gb.MG.

Major General.
M.M.I.A.



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SUBJECT : Wall Diagrams.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ARMY CAMP

No. : 11375

DMT/184/MT.2

18 Sep 44.

M.M.I.A.

Ref DMT/184/MT.2 dated 10 Sep 44.

Further copies of Weapon Training Wall Diagrams are enclosed.

Brig., maj
D.M.T.

DES/rm



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SUBJECT : Wall Diagrams.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

Tel : 11375

DMT/184/MT.2

25 Sep 44.

M.M.I.A. S/Sec
FILE REF 2/10 29/10.
Doc Rec'd 26 9 1

M.M.I.A.

Ref your S/G/29/10 undated.

It is requested that one copy of each may be forwarded to this Directorate.

when Recd from W M.

for Brig.,
D.M.T.

DRS/rm

Col. Eddy

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SECRET

Subject:- Trg Eqpt for Italian Combat Groups

Military Mission Italian Army
ROME
MS 18/1
25 Sep 44.

Chief Engineer AFHQ
copy DEC AFHQ

1. As requested by CE AFHQ, the list of trg stores and eqpt required for EACH of LEGNANO and FOLGORE Gps for Engr trg is enclosed at Appx 'A'.

It is recommended that these stores and eqpt be released to the DMT by 7 Oct as trg for both groups is due to begin on 15 Oct.

2. The dates of the trg period for each group are as follows:-

FRIULI	15 Sep	-	31 Oct
CREMONA	1 Oct	-	15 Nov
LEGNANO, FOLGORE	15 Oct	-	15 Dec
MANTOVA, PISTOIA	15 Nov	-	15 Jan

As the Italian Engineer Units will not have had any previous trg in BAILEY Bridging, it is recommended that one 130 ft D.B. Set be provided for each Group for the whole of the trg period.

If this recommendation is agreed, the two sets at present with the FRIULI and CREMONA Groups will be available for the MANTOVA and PISTOIA Groups on 15 Nov. Two additional sets will however be required for the LEGNANO and FOLGORE Groups as detailed in Appx 'A'.

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Maj Gen

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Maj Gen
Military Mission Italian Army

Trns. File WP.

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Appendix 'A' to RE 18/1
dated 25 Sep 44

List of Trg Stores and Eqpt required for each of LEBRANO and FULGORE Gps

1. BAILEY Bridging

130 ft DD Bailey Br sets (48 No. 3-ton truck loads) - 2 No.

Bailey Erection Gear Sets (2 No. 3-ton truck loads) - 2 No.

2. MINES

AMERICAN

M1 A Tk	8 No.
M2 A Pers	8 No.
Release Mechanisms	8 No.

BRITISH

Mines Shrapnel Mk II complete	8 No.
A Tk Mk II	8 No.
Mk IV	8 No.
Mk V	8 No.
No. 75 Grenades	12 No.
Mines A Pers. No. 5 Mk I	8 No.

ENEMY

T Mi and igniters	100 No.
Holzmines (or ITALIAN wooden box mines)	100 No.
S Mi	100 No.
S Mi 235 igniter	100 No.
ZZ 35 igniter	100 No.
ZZ 42 igniter	100 No.
Schumines	8 No.

Mine detectors	4 No.

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2. MINES

AMERICAN

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Holemines (or ITALIAN wooden box mines)	100 No.
S Mi	100 No.
S Mi 235 igniter	100 No.
ZZ 35 igniter	100 No.
ZZ 42 igniter	100 No.
Schumines	8 No.

Mine detectors	4 No.
Sets Mine Marking and Capping Stores (2 No 3-ton truck loads)	2 No.

3. EXPLOSIVES

Ammonal Bulk	600 lbs
4 oz charges	300 "
Nobel's 606	400 "
Plastic explosive	
8 oz charges	120 "
0C Slabs	448

cont. sheet 2 .....

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3. EXPLOSIVES (cont)

GC Primers(or CE)	1000 No.
Cordtex or Primocord	12000 ft
Safety fuse	1000 ft
Detonators No 27	1000 No.
" 33	200 No.
Matches fusee	50 boxes
Beehives	120 No.
Bangalores	80 No.
Fuze Instantaneous	400 ft
Gelignite	600 lbs
Switches No 1 Pull	50 No.
No.2 Pressure	90 No.
No 3 Release	50 No.
No 8 A Pers	50 No.
L Delays	40 No.
Time Pencils, various	40 No.
Clams	20 No.
Limpets	20 No.
" Bursters for	20 No.
Trip wire	150 yds
Trap wire	150 yds
Cable Electric (Double)	880 yds
Exploders	1 No.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

Fd levels	2 No.
Rods measuring 6'	4 No.
Tapes measuring 100'	1 No.
Shovels	6 No.
Picks	6 No.

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Sem we P. 24/9. 5982 Army S/C

M102/23 26/23

LKGB V LATE NR 12 P P

CUR 2

FNGH (LATE) 231122A AFHQ

TO SCHOOL OF E AND ME SCAFATI FOR

INFORMATION TO MMIA AND PBS FOR MMIA

CR 53 Ref No.

RESTRICTED YOUR SEME 21 DATE 23 SIGNED SACMED CITE FHQA PD IX 29066

HAVE HASTENED MMIA YET AGAIN WHO STATE THAT IF

12 CREMONA FITTERS NOT COLLECTED 23 SEP YOU MAY

DELIVER THEM TO MMIA LIAISON OFFICER 123 VIA ROMA

NAPLES ON OR AFTER 24 SEP PD MMIA ALSO STATE ITALIAN

HOSPITAL IN AT NOCERA

ET 231123A

29/10.

HEADQUARTERS 23 SEP 1944 A. C. C.

MMIA	53
File Ref	
Date Rec'd	23.9.44

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SENT WR 12 23/1538 LM HCB

RECD WR 12 23/1530 J C E KHK

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Translation

From: SMRE
To: MMIA
Subject: Translated pamphlets

Ref: 730/50/Ref/1400
Date: Sept 21

1/10

We enclose for your information:

1 copy of the Pamphlet "Radio Establishment No 19 (Mark I and Mark II);

1 copy of the pamphlet "Mines, Mine fields and Traps", translated from English (and German)

1:75

Sgd (J.S.)

Q 23/9

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D'A/Fa

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

160.

nº 720 /E/4/II/ADD di prt. P.M.151,1121 sett.1944.-

O G G E T T O: opuscoli tradotti.

E/G/14/10.

ALLA M.M.I.A. -Sott.per l'Esercito-

R O M A

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Si trasmette nº 1 copia dell'opuscolo "Impianti Radio nº19 (Mark I e Mark II)e nº 1 copia dell'opuscolo "Mine,campi minati e trappole",tradotto dall'originale inglese, per conoscenza.

Translation
R. 2219.

IL COLONNELLO in s. di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari - .

Special Section

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Informal Routing Slip
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

File No. G3/18/Mtr2

SECRET

SUBJECT : Equipment and Transport - ITALIAN Divisions.

Date :- 19 Sep 44

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across just below the initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long memoranda.

M.M.I.A.
Date Recd 22/9

Number	From	To	Date	
1	D.M.T.	G-3 Trg (Mr)	19 Sep 44	1. The FRIULI and CREMONA Divisions, with their instructors trained, are now endeavouring to get on with some tactical training. Their efforts to do this, ~~are~~ to transport their men to and from ranges to learn to use their weapons and compete with training a number of untrained drivers, are being frustrated owing to the inability to release them sufficient vehicles. 2. I realise that the vehicle situation in the country is tight. I would urge, however, that if the Commander-in-Chief requires these formations to be ready before long, we must soon make up their scale of vehicles.

A. Mainwaring

AGH/ae

Brig.,
D.M.T.

Copy to: ~~BGS~~, SD & T, ~~HQ~~ AAI.
~~HQ~~ MMIA
Col ~~MMA~~, CSTC (for information of ~~HQs~~).

File in Trg. file WP

R. 22/9.

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A. Mountbatten

Brig.,
D.M.T.

AEK/ae

R. 2219.

Copy to: BGS, SD & T, HQ AAI.
HQ RAFIA
Col. MSA, GSTO (for information of RUMs).

File in Ops. file WP

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SECRET

SUBJECT :- Arty School

Q 18/9.

M.M.I.A.	5
FILE REF	5/6/9
Date Recd	18/9/44

MMIA LO
att CIL
Ref Q 22
15 Sep 44

HQ MMIA

Ref Map ITALY 1: 200,00 Sheet 19

1. CERRETO SANNITA N 4799 was recced on 13 Sep 44. It is considered that an Arty School of :-

(a) Strength - Approx 20 Offrs and 80 ORs.

(b) Weapons -

25 prs	-	4
17 prs	-	4
6 prs	-	12
Bofors 40 mm	-	2

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can be adequately sited in this village.

It is emphasised that this was a quick recce and it is desirable that an offr from the school with more detailed terms of reference should visit the area before a final decision is made.

ACCN

2. The MAYOR - Sig Antonio BIONDI - was interviewed and the village inspected in his presence. Accn as per Appx 'A' is available.

GUN PK

3. There are three open spaces in the village which can be used as parade grounds for gun drill.

In order to economise gds, all the guns can be located on a gun pk opposite the seminary.

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(b) **Weapons** - 25 prs - 4
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RANGES

4. Appx 'B' shows rough sketch of Ranges available. This area was used as Italian Arty Ranges before the war and, I was infm, Allied Tps have held course shooting in the same area during the past few months.

Excellent. File in Top File
a 29/10. WP
17 Sep.

Spoke: 64 Farmers to give all help.
to give this area a bit Selandis
know we agree.

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4. (Contd)

The 25 pr range can be sited on two lines of fire marked A - AA and B - BB on sketch.

There is adequate room for manoeuvre in the deployment area and a considerable variety of gun posns can be selected.

I did NOT see the OP area as the veh at my disposal (a FIAT 1,100) had NO cross-country performance - but any normal OP veh should find NO difficulty in going right up to the target area.

The target zone has several houses which will have to be evacuated in case of 'wides'. This can be done through the local Carabinieri. However, very strict safety precautions will have to be enforced and an adequate number of vedettes established.

A tk Ranges are good.

AA Ranges can easily be found in the vicinity.

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Maj RA
DAA & QMG
MMIA att CIL

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SECRET

Appx 'A' to Q 22
Dated 15 Sep 44

ACCN AVAILABLE AT CERRETO SANNITA

SCHOOLS

1. (a) **Scuola Municipale Maschile**

(i) four school rooms - two - approx 40'x 15'
two - " 30'X 12'

latrines and small washing place.
Suitable for lecture rooms or OR barrack rooms.

(ii) two rooms available as offices.

(b) **Scuola Municipale Femminile**

Four school rooms, latrine and running water. Suitable for OR barrack rooms (approx 50 ORs) or lecture rooms.

(c) **School near Theatre**

Two lecture rooms sitting approx 30 each.

(NB Blackboards are available at all the above premises).

THEATRE

2. A small theatre can be requisitioned in same building as 1(c). It has an auditorium for approx 200 and can be used for general lectures, entertainments etc.

OFFR ACCN

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OFFR ACCN

3. (a) Billets can be found in the village.

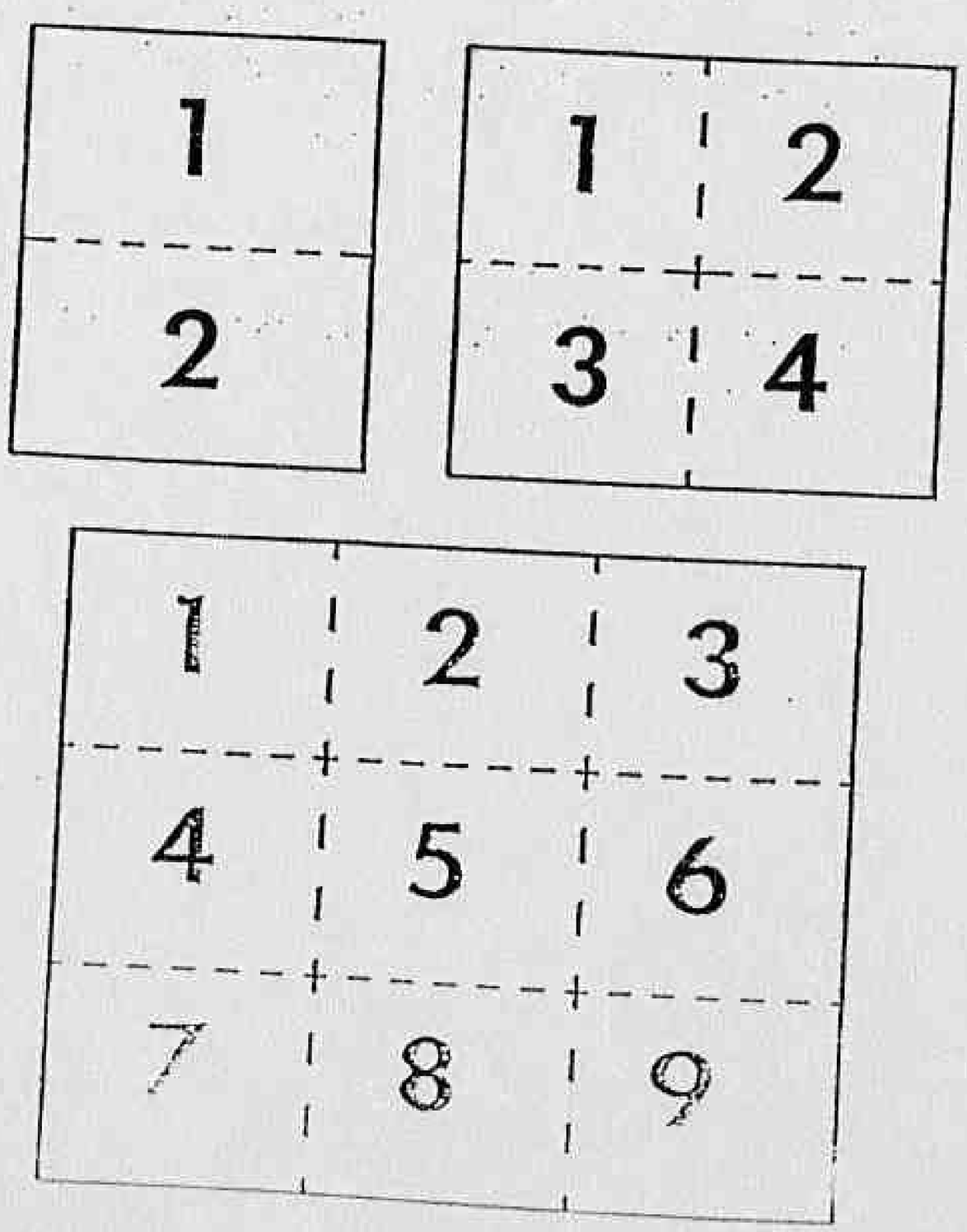
(b) Mess for approx 20 offrs can be taken at the Restaurant of ALBANO PASQUALE. Catering (with Army rations) can also be undertaken by the Restaurant - if it is desired.

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ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



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ITALY 1:100,000.

ARTY SCHOOL BEN

CERRETO SANNITA



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BENEVENTO

SECOND EDITION

SHEET

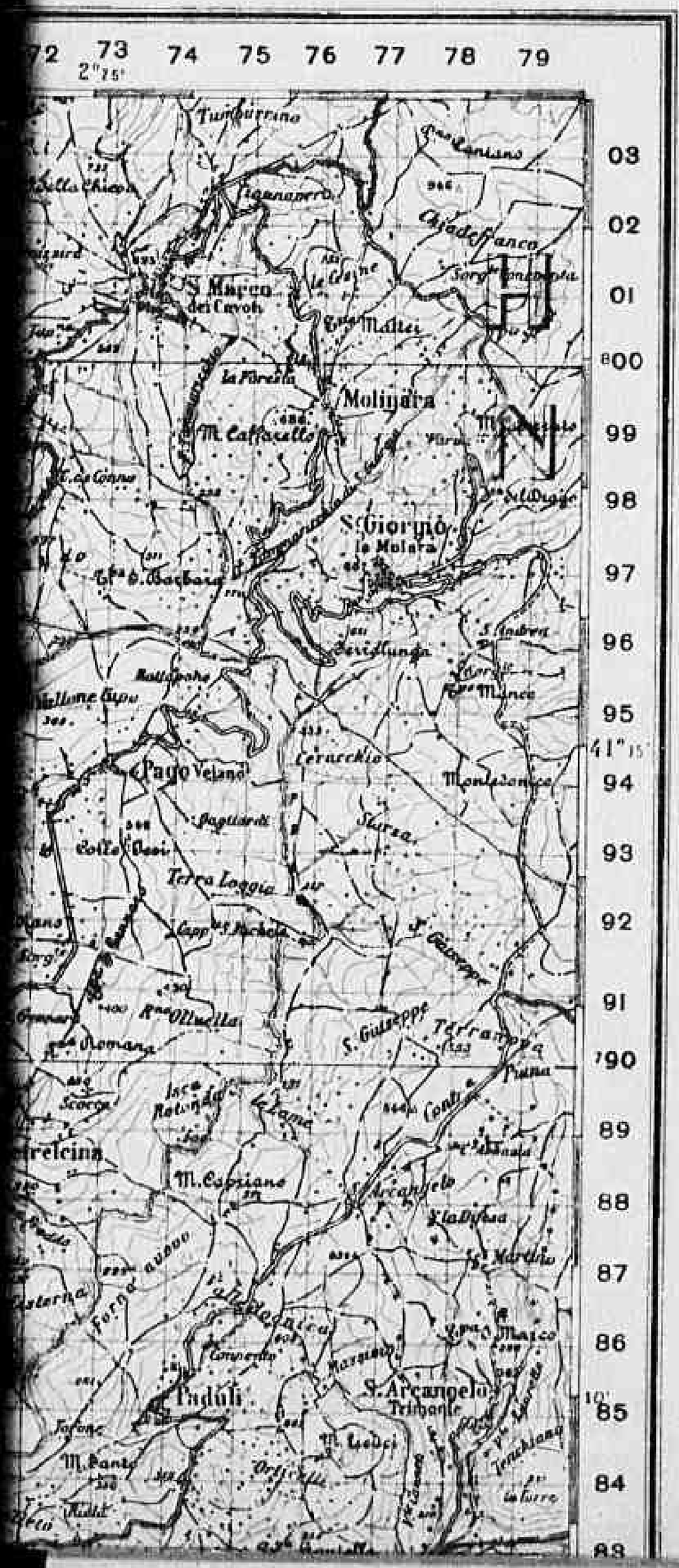
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SANNITA

Pontelandolfo
Campolattaro
Reino
Casaldumi
S. Lupo
Lorenzo Maggiore
Fragneto Monforte
Fragneto l'Abate
Pescolamazza
Paupisi
Torrecuso
Pietrelcina
Paduli

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SHEET 173



REFER TO THIS MAP AS –
ITALY 1:100,000 SHEET 173 BENEVENTO

AF-1454 SOUTH ITALY GRID (BLUE)

TO GIVE A GRID REFERENCE ON THIS SHEET
Pay no attention to the smaller co-ordinate figures at the corners and in margins. They are for finding full co-ordinates.

PAY ATTENTION TO LARGER MARGINAL FIGURES AND TO THOSE PRINTED ON THE FACE OF THE MAP

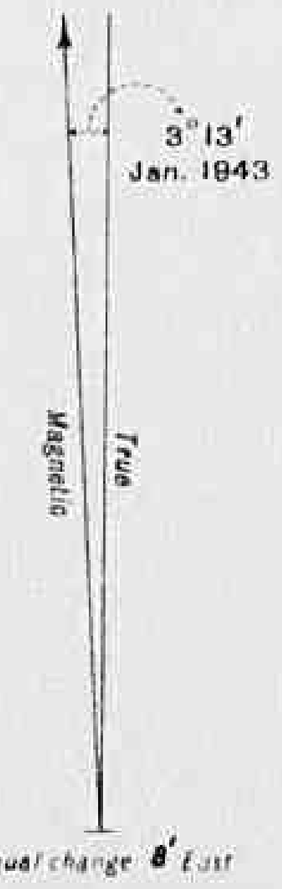
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East *Take west edge of square in which point lies and read the figures printed opposite this line on north or south margin or on the line itself (on the face of the map).* *Estimate tenths eastwards.*	57 4	North *Take south edge of square in which point lies and read the figures printed opposite this line on east or west margin or on the line itself (on the face of the map).* *Estimate tenths northwards.*	83 5
East	574	North	835

Nearest similar reference on this grid 500 Km distant

GRID DATA
Southern Italy Grid

Colour	Blue
Projection	Lambert Conical Orthomorphic
Spheroid	Bessel
Origin	39°30′N., 14°E. of Greenwich
False Co-ordinates of origin	700,000 metres E. 600,000 metres N.



Annual change 8′ East

CONVERGENCE

At the West Edge of this sheet Grid North is 0°17′East of True North
At the East Edge of this sheet Grid North is 0°36′East of True North

REFERENCE

Railway, two or more tracks with station
single track and electrified
narrow gauge or Tramway
Tram lines on a road

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ITALY 1:100,000 SHEET 173 BENEVENTO

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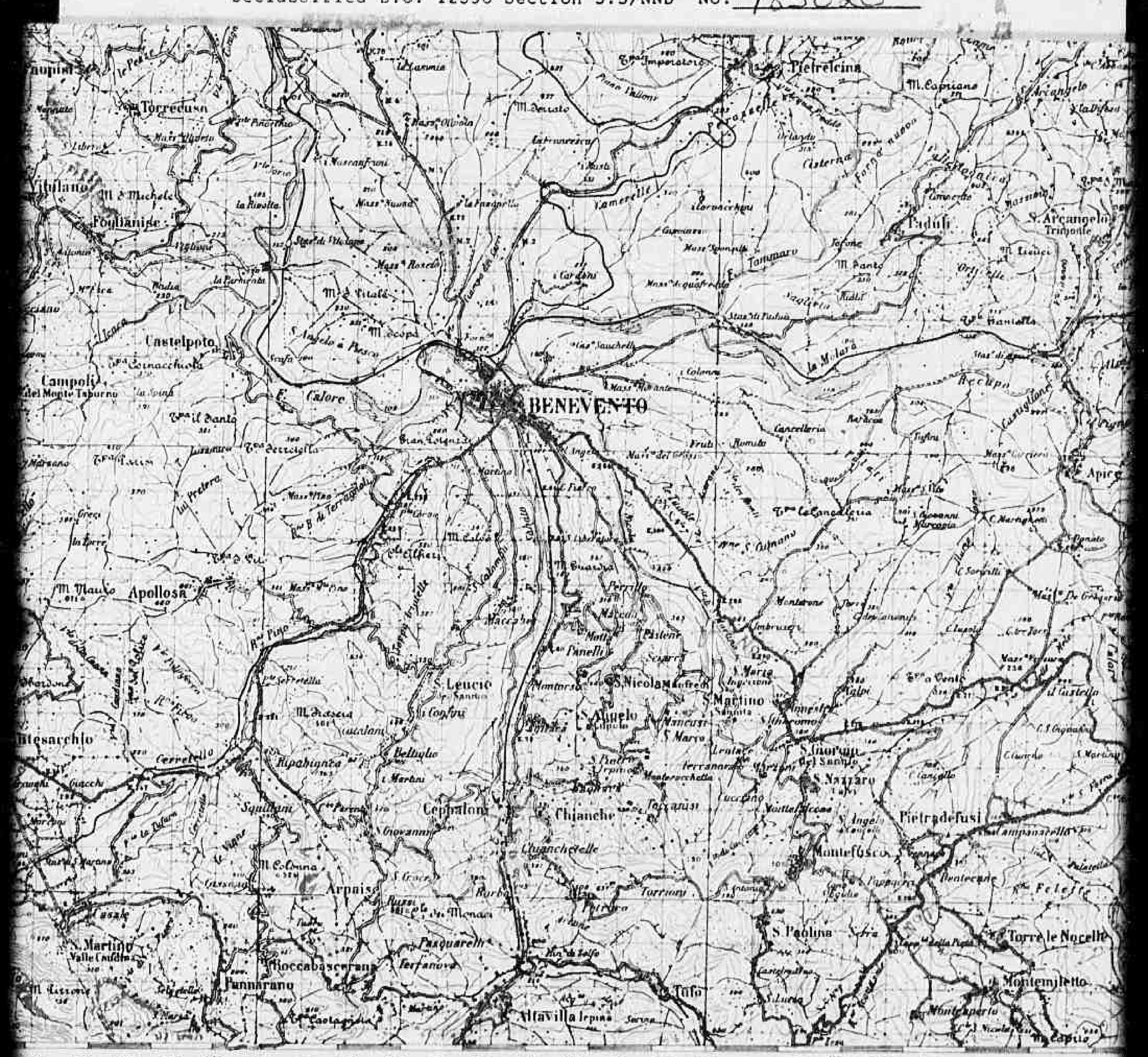
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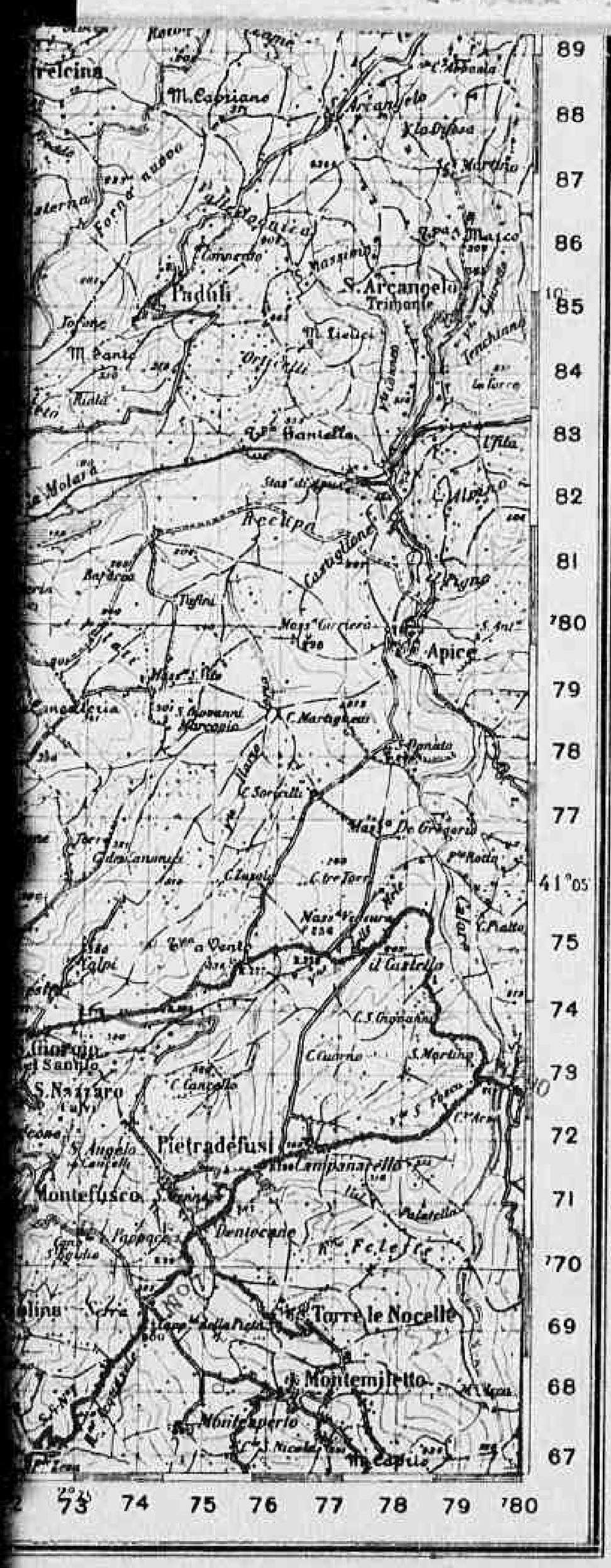
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Miles

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 Kilometres

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Longitudes are based on the meridian of Rome, which is 12° 27' 71" E

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Railway, two or more tracks with station
single track and electrified
narrow gauge or Tramway
Tram lines on a road
Cable railway
National Highways (Autostrade)
6 Metres wide, metalled — 2-way M.T.
Main Roads (Strade Statali with route numbers)
6 Metres wide or over, metalled — 2-way M.T.
Other Main Roads (Strade di grande comunicazione)
5 Metres wide or over, metalled — Mostly 2-way M.T.
Secondary Roads
3-5 Metres wide, generally metalled — 1-way M.T.
Other Roads and Cart Tracks, generally unmetalled
Mule Tracks
Paths
Boundaries: state
province
Canal
Aqueducts, over and underground
Wells, perennial, non-perennial
Marsh and Swamp
Church, Chapel, Cemetery
Names of physical features — M. Mercurio
Trigonometrical points — Δ 170
Heights in metres — • 180
Cliffs
Embankment or Dyke
Woods

Contours at 50 metres interval

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on the meridian of Rome, which is 12° 27' 7.1" East of Greenwich

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MAAG MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MAAG T.O.C. 23 A

TO : "A" E.L.U. T.H.A.

RE GO (.) REFERENCE (.) Reference your message No.3 dated 27 (.) Courtesy arrangements for all course should be made immediately under supervision your MAAG and MAAG (.) No suitable school exists, and no suitable unit is conveniently located

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.....
Originator's Signature

.....
Degree of Priority

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ARMY FORM 0136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 41/22

Call	Sct. No.	Precd.	Transmission Instructions
SDT	41/22	P	Cypher Secret.

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: "A" BLU — Date-Time of Origin: 22 1645

For Action

TO: MMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

MMIA FILE REF — Date Recd 23/91

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S/C 1591/10

Message Instructions — CP

Originator's No. 3

RESTRICTED

Can arrangements be made for early course for unit O.M.O 1668
Considered essential to efficient administration of group.

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS (EXCEPT / WIRELESS)

Signature

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

Signature

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

Priority

Time	Sys-tem	Op.
THI or TOR 22 1650		
Time cleared		

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MESSAGE FORM.

5/8/29/10.

From : MMIA.

To (For Action) : A BLU

To (For Info) :

Ref No : 33 85

Date-Time of origin.

21/1147 A

Security Classification RESTRICTED.

Your G of 20 Sep (*) Training Handbooks in Italian have been obtained by Group Hq direct from SHAEF who print and distribute

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATING SECTION MMIA 33

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER W. P. Robertson Lieut.

1667

Translation.

Telescript to COMILIT CAMPANIA P.M. 120 94.

GENERAL STAFF Training ref. 686 A/4 ○ MMIA advises that in CAPUA from 21/9 to 26/9 a course will be held for 20 military of the FRIULI Group. This course has been organized by the British L.O. to FRIULI Group on agreement with a/m HQ ○ Please arrange that two interpreters, to be drawn from the ones actually posted to the field plants maintenance, to be put at a/m course disposal ○ STAMAGGIORE ADDE STRAMENTO

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from: SMRE
to: MMIA

ref. 687/ADD.
19 Sept 1944

... We confirm a/m telescript.

Gen. SANTI

1666

5/6/29/10.

Grandi.
noted.
WP
21 Sep

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posted to the field post
at a/m courte disposal O STAMAGGIORE ADDE
STRAMENTO

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21 Sep
R 22/10.

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FA/Fa

TELESCRITTO IN PARTENZA

AT COMILIT CAMPANIA P.M. 120

STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO N° 686 A/4 ALT M.M.I.A. SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ESERCITO AVVERTE CHE AVRA' LUOGO CAPUA DAL 2109 AL 2609 CORSO PER 20 TRUPPA GRUPPO FRIULI INDETTO DA UFFICIALE BRITANNICO COLLEGAMENTO PRESSO COMANDO GRUPPO FRIULI IN ACCORDO DETTO COMANDO STESSO ALT PREGASI PROVVEDERE PERCHE' DUE INTERPRETI DA TRARSI DAI TRE TESTE' ADDETTI AT MANUTENZIONE IMPIANTI CAMPALI SIANO MESSI AT DISPOSIZIONE CORSO SOPRADETTO ALT STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO.

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Addestramento

n°687 /Add.di prot. P.M.151, li 19 sett.1944.-

ALLA M.M.I.A. -Sott.per l'Esercito - ROMA
AL COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA P.M.120
AL COMANDO DIV. FRIULI P.M. 79
S.M.R.E. 1665
- Ufficio Segreteria e Personale SEDE

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.....a conferma del telescritto.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- Santi -

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

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.....a conferma del telescritto.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
-A. Santi -

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO in s. di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari -

STATO MAGGIORE R.E. * Uff. Addestramento *

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Transmission: 5/8/1940.

From: SMRE
To: Rg C.N.F
Ref 6 a/a 13
Date Sept 19

B

According to latest orders from HQ R.N.A, the orders for the Warehousing Course given with our letter 6 a/1/A 13 dated Sept 17, are Cancelled. Orders received with H.S.O/A/15 remain unrevised. Please order Regs of LEGNANO & FOLGORE groups to conform to said regulations.

Spl

SMRE - Training Branch.

Course not cancelled, Admiralty 90

Inst Board Instruction 450/9/15.

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TELESCRITTO IN PARTENZA

M.M.I.A. | FILE REF. | Date Recd 21/9/1

AL COMANDO CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE P.M. 155
(a 1/2 moto)

STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO N. 693 A/13 ALT IN SEGUITO AT ULTERIORI DISPOSIZIONI M.M.I.A. ORDINI PER CORSO MAGAZZINIERI DATI CON NOSTRO FOGLIO 621/A/13 IN DATA 1709 SONO ANNULLATI AM RESTANO INVARIATI ORDINI IMPARTITI CON FOGLIO 450/A/15 ALT PREGASI DISPORRE PERCHE' COMANDI GRUPPI LEGNANO ET FOLGORE AI ATTENGANO AT TALI NORME ALT STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO

11091944

STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
Ufficio Addestramento

n. 704/ADD. di prot. -. P.M. 151, li 20 Sett/44.=

AL COMANDO GRUPP. COMBATT. LEGNANO P.M. 155
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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
-F/to A.Santi -

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MESSAGE FORM
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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS: IN / OUT

TO MMIA fm DEDDS

FROM A BLU

Date 20

MMIA 5/5ca
FILE REF 5/6/20 D
Date Recd 2/9/44

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Please advise where ITALIAN Version training pamphlets may be obtained ○ 9 Publication dept have no knowledge of item

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Reply

Your G of 20 Sep ~~43~~
Training Handbooks in Italian
~~to be~~ have been obtained by Fifth Army HQ
direct from S.M.R.E. who
print the publications.

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UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

n. 692/E/4/II/ADD. P.M. 151, li 10 settembre 44.-

Oggetto: Manuali stampati, in corso di stampa, in corso di traduzione.=
Allegati: 1.- printed and translated manuals

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I° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI STAMPA:

1)- Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet n.2;
2)- Working instruction wierless sets - n.19 parte 1^;
3)- Grenade;
4)- Baionet;
5)- Pistol;
6)- Working instruction wierless sets n.18 (part.1^) vol.III°;
7)- Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet n.6;
8)- Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet n.7;
9)- Fullerphones Mark IV - pamphlet n. 21.=

II° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI TRADUZIONE:

1)- Rifle;
2)- Working instruction wierless sets n. 18 part.1^ pamphlet 34;
3)- Working instruction wierless sets n. 19 part.2^ 1081
4)- Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet n.12;
5)- Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF,17 PR Mark 1 carriage;
6)- Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF,25 PR Mark 11 on car

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6)- Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF,25 PR Mark 11 on carriage;
7)- Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF, 6 PR cwt Mark 11 and IV Carriage;
8)- Switchboards u.c. 10 Line and 6 Line;
9)- 1260 Watt Battery Changing Set.=

IL COLONNELLO in s.S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
-G. Ferrari-

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in data 10 settembre 44.-

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Ufficio Addestramento

SPECCHIO INDICANTE ALTRA DISTRIBUZIONE DI OPUSCOLI GIA' TRA=DOTTI DALL'INGLESE AGLI ENTI DIPENDENTI:

Titolo dell'opuscolo.-	-Distribuzione-					
	Ufficio di S.A.R. il L.	M.M. = I.A.	S.M. = R.E.	M.G.	Divisione "Friuli".	Divisione "Cremona".
"Come stanno le vostre batterie?"	--	--	--	--	200	200
"Lanciabombe anticarro per fanteria"	--	--	--	--	--	750
"Fucile mitragliatore"	--	--	--	--	750	750
"Applicazione del fuoco"	--	--	--	--	750	750
"Mortaio da 51"	--	--	--	--	--	750
"Moschetto automatico Thompson"	--	--	--	--	--	750
"Ponte Bailey"	--	--	--	--	--	669
"Mortaio da 3 pollici"	--	--	--	--	250	250
"Apparecchi telefonici F tipo 1 e tipo 1+"	2	201	10	1	200	200
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Why hasn't the PIAT 2" Mod á TSMG Bailey Bridge gone to Friuli.

Already issued WP Mark ultimo mod with complete one

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MESSAGE FORM.

File 90

From: MILA

Date 20

To: A BLU

SS 82 (.)

Restricted (.)

Your A nothing of 19 Sept (.) Aaren ROAD Area _____ Aaren

Have not yet seen special and normal equipment lists (.) Will give

an answer when they arrive (.) Meanwhile use English versions

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MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM (illegible)
(PSCR GL 100)

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS — IN / OUT

Cipher Secret

TO MMIA

FROM 'A' BLG

Originator's Number: A(illegible)

Date: 19/9

Serial No.: 785d5 1

Date Rec'd: 20/9/1

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNAL RECORDS)

In Reply to Number

Please	confirm	whether	or	not	translation
of	normal	and	special	equipment	his to
is	being	undertaken	and	when	thing
will	be	available	if	translated	

This Message May Be Sent AS WRITTEN
(Signature)
or (Except)
(Signature)

Signed

It Is Safe to Be Intercepted or Will Help Enemy Should This Message Not Be Sent SECURELY

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time of Origin
1800 A.

T.H.I.
1919 20 2

T.O.R.
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See Above
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* Originator may delete "Except" and insert "Not Sent."

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNAL USE ONLY)

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MESSAGE FORM.

From: MMIA.

To: D 3LU.

Date. 20

s/a hq/10

SS 31 (.)

Restricted (.)

12 men of Mech Eng of CREMONA Group now completed course gun fitters at RSMS School SCAFATI near POMPEI urgently awaiting transport back (.) Aaron RAAF Area _____ Taran [illegible] Arrange collect accnost

IMMEDIATE.

(Sgd).....

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[redacted] 1453

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Ref our 01422 of 17 Sept (.) Puran Rose Area _____ Puran Delete mail request for 2 office and 50 cys to move to SOR RATHER ons now going by road(.) Remainder of message stands

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Copy for [redacted] NEA

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Military Mission to the
Italian Army.

ROME.

S/G/29/10.
Sept, 44.

Ministry of War for attn Col. FERRARI
Ufficio Addestramento.
copy to Lt-Col. DUFF, 3 Army RAPT.

Subject:- Arty Courses.

It is proposed that the next artillery instructors course will commence on 25.9.44.

It will take place at CERRETO SANNITA and not at COLLEPARDO. Exact details as to location etc will follow.

O.C. RAPT has been instructed today by signal to return to their units the 42 offrs and 100 ORs who have just assembled at COLLEPARDO, pending opening of the school at CERRETO SANNITA

Transport for returning this party to their units is being arranged by this HQ.

gb.MG.

J. Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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SS 73 Restricted

Ref your SD 4 dated 17 (.) Paren RHIS Area _____ Paren Reorganization to be completed by 7 Oct (.) Training to begin 15 Oct

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6th Army RAFT

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For XMSH (.) Paren XMSS Area _____ Paren Owing to change location Arty Training School the 41 offrs and 100 CHs just arrived at CHAFFEE will be returned to their units (.) Transport will be arranged by this H.

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For Col REA (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren Interpreters for Carrier course leaving ROME today for S GIORGIO today

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Translation 10 —

From SMRE

to MMIA

Ref.no 385/SP/4

Dated 13 sept 44

Training of Personnel for T coy and Reenforcements.

We inform that for the training course for MT coy and Reenforcement which is taking place at Ebola have been selected.

Thus/N Officer for general work and Liaison Duties between the British personnel and the Italian personnel taking part in the course.

Regular Army L/col. Silvo Ugo.

The following interpreters officers

SEC P
PTO 1851
Thos

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sg/c.

STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
-Ufficio Segreteria e Personale-
-sezione interpreti-

Nr. 385 SP4 di prot. P.M.151, 13 settembre 944

OGGETTO : addestramento personale delle compagnie trasporti e rifornimenti.-

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

e, per conoscenza :

ALLO S.M.R.E. -ufficio addestramento-
(rif.foglio n°440/A 15/add.dell'8 corr.)

M.P. A.
FILE REF
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F.P.151

Si comunica che per i corsi di addestramento per compagnie trasporti e rifornimenti, che avranno luogo a Nola, sono stati prescelti :

- quale ufficiale coordinatore generale e di collegamento tra il personale inglese del deposito ed il personale italiano partecipante ai corsi, il ten.col. ftr.s.p.e. SIVO Ugo ;
- quali ufficiali interpreti :
  - il capitano amm.compl. AGOSTINI Ugo
  - il capitano art.compl. BRIGNONE Carlo
  - il tenente ftr.compl. GRAGNOZIO Francesco
  - il s.ten. aut.compl. BORGOMANERO Guido
  - il s.ten.ftr.(g)compl. MAFFETTONI Mario.-

P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
-Roberto Griglio-

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
-Alessandro Santi-

For Translation

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Training File 17/9.

Subject:- Training of Italian Gruppi - Progress Report No 1.

11 Sept

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To:- The Director of Military Training,

A.F.H.Q.

C.M.F.

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1. General.

During the period under review considerable progress has been made in spite of initial difficulties owing to lack of staff, transport and equipment. Continuous efforts are being made to rectify the situation.

"A" B.I.U. is now complete as regards officers, a few more other Ranks have yet to arrive. Lack of Transport and accomodation Stores is the main difficulty. This B.I.U. is now installed in their new H.Q. at S.GIORGIO and is functioning.

"B" B.I.U. is forming and will be in a position to move out to METAVILLA on Sep 12th, ready to start their duties. The two G.S.O.II (training) have been nominated and a number of Major Instructors have already been interviewed by me after having been seen by the D.M.T.

All officers are keen, energetic and determined to make the venture a success.

The FOLGORE division is ready to start training although there are still a number of men on leave and certain replacements have yet to take place.

The CREMONA division is in the process of concentrating rather more than half the Division has arrived. Both Divisions will be ready to receive Instructors from the various Schools on their respective dates of return. At present training consists mainly of physical training and marches in order to get the men as fit as possible after a period of inactivity.

I am satisfied that provided equipment becomes available, the first two Gruppi will be sufficiently trained to perform their envisaged tasks by the date scheduled.

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2. Courses.

On all the Courses visited the enthusiasm of the Italian officers and N.C.Os was marked, and the British Instructors themselves have displayed keenness and drive. The reports I have received on the Students have been encouraging, this tone will be kept up when Unit training commences. The following are brief notes on the Schools I have visited.

(1) Artillery.

Major General Pedrotti (a gunner) accompanied me to COLLI PADRO and was most impressed and rightly so. The main effort is concentrated on Gun Drills and getting to know the

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3. Training.

In accordance with my terms of reference from the D.M.T., I propose co-ordinating and supervising training of the Gruppi in the following way:-

(i). The issue of Training Directives, the first of which I am forwarding with this report. I would be grateful if the D.M.T. would let me know if this Directive is on the lines he wishes. If so further similar Directives will be issued when required.

(ii). Supervision and instruction by the Training Increments. Of the Six Major Instructors, three to be with each Regiment. The two G.S.O.II (training) to live at my H.Q. and form a link between me and the G.S.O.1 of respective B.I.Us at training. Major Fisher, Recce, is at present acting as my Staff Officer, I feel I must have somebody. He will also supervise the training of all the Recce Troops in the Gruppi.

(iii) Training discussions with the Div, Regt and Bn Comdrs when and where necessary.

(iv). Continuous getting about myself.

I will be able to give a clearer picture of the potentialities of the respective Gruppi in my next report.

11 Sep 44.

Col.

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SUBJECT:- TRAINING DIRECTIVE No.1.

1. GENERAL.

Supervision of the training of the six ITALIAN Gruppi at present being formed is the responsibility of the Directorate of Military Training. This includes visits to all schools, and responsibility for such tactical training as may be necessary in view of the characteristics of BRITISH weapons issued. For this purpose a training Increment selected by the D.M.T. is attached to each B.L.U. consisting of one GSO II and six Major instructors.
Although respective B.L.Us are directly under the control of M.M.I.A. they will receive instructions on training matters from the Training Directorate. This policy entails close co-operation between respective GSOs I, GSOs II (trg) and myself.
The Major instructors (infantry) should live with their respective regts supervising the battalions to which they are detailed.
The GSOs II (trg) for purposes of co-ordination will be located at HQ in S.N GIORGIO 741741 (sheet 173 II BENEVENTO 1/50,000) serial Number 303.
Details of Courses at Schools for Unit Instructors now being carried out are attached as Appx "A" to this Directive. In addition courses for carrier drivers should start, provided interpreters are available, on Monday 11 Sep.
On completion of courses Gruppi should have everything ready for Unit Cadres to start immediately respective instructors return from Schools. The subjects taught and the method of instruction should need little variation except where ITALIAN tactical methods are at variance, in which case training instructions will be issued after consultation with the D.M.T.

During the Unit Cadre period all ranks of the Gruppi should receive initial instruction in the care and maintenance of their weapons with a view to ensuring that they have the "feel" of their respective arms. In addition available offrs and selected NCOs should carry out sand model exercises and TEWTs in minor tactics, battle procedure and fire orders.

The following paragraphs outline the basic training required during the first period. The actual time when this will be completed depends on the progress made.

2. WEAPON TRAINING.

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Grenades

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Grenades
Bren
Thompson Machine Carbine
2" Mortar
PIAT
3" Mortar

The initial training in all the above weapons will follow on the same lines, with the object of familiarizing all ranks with the characteristics and maintenance of their respective weapon or weapons. This will include firing by day and where applicable by night. The actual lessons to be taught can be studied in the course programmes attached as appx "B". Certain of the periods can be omitted but special emphasis will naturally be paid to loading, aiming and firing of weapons, selection of fire posns, the use of cover, mortar fire tasks and the actual throwing of grenades etc.
N.B. Zeroing must be carried out.

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3. MINOR TACTICS.

During the period under preview tactical training will be concentrated on the Section and Platoon levels.
It is vital that all platoons should be thoroughly trained and drilled before company training is considered. However company comds should receive instructions in battle procedure, orders and the company layout. It should be realized that the main tactical ops to be considered are the defence, patrolling and immediate counter attacks. In a later period it may be desirable to consider the elements of street fighting, further instructions will be issued. Initially therefore training should be concentrated on the following subjects:-

1. Section and Platoon taking up a defensive posn with special ref to selection of fire posns, siting of weapons, fire plan, all round defence, 2" mortar, PI.T, range cards, camouflage and the siting of mines and wire.

2. Counter attack. On the platoon level this should normally be done by fire.
On the company level counter attack platoon will be detailed and practised in its counter-attack role or roles.
No enemy penetration must be accepted.
Consider the use of 2" and 3" mortars in a counter attack role.

3. Patrolling. Both recce and fighting.
In the first phases this must be practised as a drill.
Special emphasis being paid to detail and a minimum of oppt.
It must be impressed on all ranks that our patrols must and will dominate the battlefield. It is only in this way that our forces will maintain the initiative.
Patrolling of course will be carried out by day and night.
Closely related to this is the drill and procedure for a night raid which will also be included.
J.L.W. course programme attached Appx "C".

4. Artillery. The training of the First two Gruppi will start immediately on the return of the regtl instructors from the School of Arty approx 16 Sep. These instructors are conversant with the 25 pdr, 17 pdr, 6 pdr, and 40 m.m. Initially trg will consist of getting to know the parts of the respective guns and supervision of all drills in connection with the different pieces. In addition mobile trg will be carried out. Lt Col DEHN R.A. GSO I R.A. Training Increment is issuing the necessary Programme for this to be carried out and at the same time GSOs II R.A. will be available to assist in supervision.

5. Signals. Students from the Signals School have already reported back to the FRIULI DIVISION but it is realized that the training cadres cannot start until the arrival of training oppt. Every

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6. Engineers. A Bailey Bridging site has already been recced and selected on the CALORE. Bailey eqpt should be drawn on the return of the students from the School of Engineering.
Each Gruppi has one Engineering Company detailed to it. The FRIULI have already arrived.
All ranks must be able to lay and lift mines. The actual "gapping" of minefds may be left until the next period. The Engineers have been instructed to pay special attention to the maintenance of "field plant" and eqpt. All relevant ranks will receive detailed instructions on the handling and care of explosives before issue.

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7. Driving. An instructional staff of six NCOs has been detailed by the School of Driving and Maintenance. 30 carriers are now ready but this course is being delayed owing to lack of interpreters. Efforts are being made to produce.

8. Physical Fitness. Training and physical fitness are vitally related to each other and this will always be borne in view. Some form of useful physical exercise should be taken by all ranks daily before breakfast, e.g. physical training or bayonet fighting etc.

9. Conclusion. It is realized that this directive is somewhat comprehensive but it is desirable that training of all arms should be coordinated and as widely known as possible. Training programmes will be framed on the above directive and copies (two) will be forwarded to this HQ for infm of the Director of Military Training. Training conferences will be held when necessary.

8 Sep 44. Col.

Distribution:-

D.M.T.	4
GSO I B.L.O. FRIULI	4
GSO I B.L.O. CREMONA.	4
GSO I R.A. Training Increment	4
GSOs II Training FRIULI	1
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Approved. W.P. 16/9.

GSO.I, No. HQ, (att Division).

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These two phases of training must go on simultaneously. Officers and intelligent NCOs should not require as many hours

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to master the new weapons as rank and file. This training of officers and NCOs must start together with (a) in the evenings and in any periods when they can be spared from the weapon training classes. This tactical instruction must at first be limited to what is necessary to ensure that by the first or second week in October, they can take their sub-units out on battle training schemes, using their weapons.

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(iii) Briefing and carrying out both reconnaissance and fighting patrols. (By night and across a river is the standard to be aimed at).

(iv) Dispositions to cover bridging operations, combined with a bridging exercise by R.E, starting at night and using smoke cover by day.

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(v) Moving a regimental group into a bridgehead, and forming up for an attack on covering position through a minefield.

(b) Methods of Training

There is no time for any more lecturing or discussing beyond the bare minimum essential: a few short talks, each followed by a **short** sand model demonstration or exercise followed straight away by doing the task in the country and repeating it until adequately performed. The Italian students at the CSTC on the tactical course said they found the high proportion of practical work a novelty on officers' courses. They liked it, but appeared to regard it as abnormal to get dirty with the men so often. If training is to start early, it will be well to provide the officers, as well as the men, with denims or working clothing.

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(b) Enemy mortar fire, and methods of overcoming it.

(c) Central control of artillery. Infantry observing for artillery with the help of the Air O.P.

(d) The recent German tendency to use night for counter attack; and to counter attack with smaller groups as a result of our air and artillery superiority.

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(e) Enemy demolitions and their influence on movement.

(f) The problem of getting anti-tank defence forward co-ordinated early.

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Brig.,
D.M.T.

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Brig.
D.A.G.

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Gruppi

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SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/55/MT1

24 Aug 44

Colonel S.C.W.V. Rea,
c/o CMTC, CMF

1. Supervision of the training of the six Italian Gruppi at present being formed is the responsibility of this Directorate. 1611

2. You will supervise and co-ordinate the training of these Gruppi under the Director of Military Training.

3. In order to carry out these instructions you will, from time to time, visit the British Schools at which courses for the Italians are being held. Included are:-

CMTC - Weapon Training School + Junior Leaders Cadre
Signals School
EIGHTH Army Training Team - COLLI FERRO.
SME

4. You will be responsible to this Directorate for the training within the Gruppi, that is to say,

(a) supervision of the instruction given in the cadres held;

(b) such tactical training as may be necessary in view of the characteristics of the British weapons issued;

(c) supervision of driving and maintenance training teams, etc.

5. To assist you in this, in addition to the officers on the establishment of each BLU, who will take instructions on training matters from you, there will be a training increment attached to each BLU for such period of time as may be necessary to ensure that the Gruppi are adequately trained for their operational role.

6. You will report progress in training fortnightly, and refer all matters of policy to this Directorate.

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8. Administrative matters are dealt with by the BLU, and are not your responsibility.

9. You will establish your Headquarters in S.N GIORGIO, map ref 729741 (sheet 173 BENEVENTO 1/50,000.) Your serial number is 303.

Ralph Huddleston Brig
for Brig.,
D.M.T.

JAH/ae

Copy to: AFHQ (4) CMTC (3) SME CMF School of Sigs.
AAI (4) EIGHTH Army Trg Team COLLI FERRO.
MMIA (with 6 spare copies, 1 for each BLU)

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Translation.

From SHORE Ref no 621/1/13.

to NAVAD - copy Dated 17/9/44

Letter 450/A/15 dated 8 sept 44 from SHORE is to be attended as follows

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They will be two courses

(1) for fighting group (Hogana) starting 24/9/44 1639

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United MP Scouts

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Stato Maggiore Regio Esercito
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nº 621/ A/13 di prot. ADD | P.M.151, lì 17 sett. 1944.-

OGGETTO: corso magazzinieri - corso munizioni.

Corso per Stranieri — Corso su Inglesi Armi

AL COMANDO CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE P.M. 155
AL COMANDO DIVISIONE LEGNANO P.M. 155
AL COMANDO DIVISIONE FOLGORE P.M. 146
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
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- Direz. Gen. Leva Sott. e Truppa ROMA
ALLO S.M.R.E.
- Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione SEDE
- Ufficio Segreteria e Personale SEDE
- Ufficio Servizi SEDE
- Ufficio Trasporti SEDE
AL COLONNELLO RAVAGLI -Capo Sez. Coll.- BENEVENTO
AL MAGGIORE CONTI COLLEFERRO

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e, per conoscenza:
ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sott. per l'Esercito- ROMA
(rif. suo S/G/2º/10 senza data)
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Gabinetto ROMA
- Segreteria di S. Exc. G.B. Cattia ROMA
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A" -S.M.R.E.- P.M. 165

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Il foglio di questo S.M. 450/A/13 in data 8 settembre deve essere modificato come segue:

I - Corso magazzinieri:
Saranno svolti due corsi.
1º) - per Gruppo Combattimento Legnano - inizia il 24 sett.
2º) - per Gruppo Combattimento Folgore - inizia il 15 ott.
A ciascun corso parteciperà il seguente personale:
- ufficiali 7
- sottufficiali e truppa 112

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Traslato

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III - Resta inteso che il personale deve giungere nelle località di svolgimento dei corsi il giorno antecedente all'inizio dei giorni stessi.

STATO MAGGIORE R. E. — UFF. Addestramento

d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO DI S.M.
M. Torsiello

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- A. Entl -

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MMIA LO "C" B.I.U.
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44 GARRISON for MEA LO "C" B.L.S. MINISTRY OF WAR
44 GARRISON for MEA LO "D" B.L.S.

ADM50 RESTRICTED

Rail transport requested for 42 offrs 102 ors to move from DOLLS PARK to [redacted]
D'ALEYN (*) PARK ROAD AREA CHESLAND _____ PARK (*) move due to
change of artillery instructors course

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IMPORTANT

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charge of artillery instructors course

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For GeLARDI (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren Personnel from FULGORE and LEGNANO attending Signal Course LAURO di NOLA commencing 17 Sept will use own transport (.) Transport will NOT repeat NOT be supplied by this HQ.

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PBS for MMIA LO for FLEMING

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SMRE in doubt as to which Divisions personnel for first course at Italian Sig School should come from (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren Please discuss with DE MARTINIS and let us have ruling so that SMRE can alert personnel

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SUBJECT : Note re Brigadier G(SD & T) AAI's tour of Schools and Depots and Training Establishments.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

Tel : 16950

DMT/156/MT.2
Copy to :- DMT/151/MT.2
DMT/145/MT.2
DMT/147/MT.2

12 Sep 44.

HQ AAI (For G(SD & T)) (2 copies - 1 for "Q").

Copy to :- HQ R.A.C.
HQ Inf.
[redacted] M.M.I.A. [redacted]
G-4.

MMIA FILE NO. Date Recd 15/9

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The crane asked for, however, will still be required.

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I concur heartily with Brig (SD & T's) views. Should air transport be possible, even only for students at the Tac School, it would be of help. Failing this, could a "through" train service be arranged once every 3 weeks from the Eighth Army railhead? The courses are synchronised with transportation problems in mind.

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Copy to :- HQ R.A.C.
HQ Inf.
[redacted] M.M.I.A., [redacted]
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4. R.A.S.C.T.D.

The RASCTD already have a number of derelict tanks. More could be used, but the site is going to become very muddy and the moving of these derelicts with the school, or their recovery, will present a problem.

A G Ellenthorpe

Brig.,
D.M.T.

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Subject:- Training.

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Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
M.C. A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10.
Sept. 4th.

"D" B.I.U.
copy to R.A.C.C. Training Establishment, PONTECAGNANO.

1. The Ordnance Course for the CREMONA Div, which is being held at R.A.C.C. Training Establishment, PONTECAGNANO, is due to leave on 23rd. September. Will you please arrange collection.

2. A Course for the LEGHORN Group is due to arrive the same day, and it is requested that you contact "C" B.I.U. in order that transport which is sent to collect personnel from PONTECAGNANO may be used to take the next Course from PIEDMONTE D'ALIFE. The strength of the Ordnance Course is 7 officers and 112 O.Rs.

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

Gb. AJH.

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Subject:- Training - Group A1 Combatitments.

Army Sub Commission, MTA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

FORM.

S/G/29/10.
Sept. 4th.

To :- H.A.C.S. Training Establishment, PETTICAIRANO.
copy to G.O.C. B.L.O.
G. Garrison for ORLANDO

Please make necessary amendments to paras 6 & 7 this office letter S/G/29/10 dated 5th. Sept. 44.

S.M.H.Q. - Please note change of programme (paras 6 & 7 this office letter S/G 29/10, dated 5th. Sept, 44) and make necessary arrangements accordingly.

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1. Ordnance Field Park.

Reference your T3/43 dated 10th. Sept, 44 (to MTA only) it is agreed that it is not feasible to train a course of mixed personnel. 7 officers and 112 men due to start training on the 24th. September will therefore be selected exclusively from the LUCIANO Group. Training for the FIGLINE Group O.F.P. will commence 19th. Oct.

2. Ammunition.

It is agreed that there has been a confusion of dates here and that courses should be held on the following dates:-

ORLANDO 18th. Sept to 7th. October.
LUCIANO 9th. Oct to 28th. October.
FIGLINE 30th. Oct to 18th. November.

for Major General.
Army Sub Cmmr. A.C.C.

Sub. A.72.

D'A/Fa

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

n° 521 /E/4/II/ADD di prot. P.M.151, lì 12 sett. 1944.-

Oggetto: manuali stampati, in corso di stampa, in corso di
- all.n° 1 - traduzione.-

Reports on manuals in the making and being translated.

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -

ROMA

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List of manuals being printed

I° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI STAMPA:

1) - Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pompflet n°12
2) - Working instruction wierless sets - n°19 parte 1ª
3) - Grenade
4) - Artillery training (vol.II) Fiel Gunnery Pomphlet n°2
5) - Baionet
6) - Pistol
7) - Working instruction wierless sets n°18 (part.1ª) Vol. III°
8) - Telephone sets D Marr V - Pamphlet 22
9) - Telephone sets F Marks I and I Pamphlet 23

List of manuals being translated.

II°- ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI TRADUZIONE:

1) - Rifle
2) - Working instruction wierless sets n°18 part.1ª pomphlet 34
3) - " " " " " 19 " 2ª
4) - Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pomphlet n° 5
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7) - " " " " " " " " 12
8) - Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF, 17 PR Mark 1 carriage
9) - " " " " " " QF, 25 " " 11 on " "
10) - " " " " " " QF, 6 " owt Mark 11 and IV Carriage
11) - Switchboards X.C. 10 line and 6 line

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ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -

ROMA

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I° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI STAMPA:

1) - Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pompflet n°12
2) - Working instruction wierless sets - n°19 parte 1ª
3) - Grenade
4) - Artillery training (vol.II) Fiel Gunnery Pomphlet n°2
5) - Baionet
6) - Pistol
7) - Working instruction wierless sets n°18 (part.1ª) Vol. III°
8) - Telephone sets D Marr V - Pamphlet 22
9) - Telephone sets F Marks I and I Pamphlet 23

II°- ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI TRADUZIONE:

1) - Rifle
2) - Working instruction wierless sets n°18 part.1ª pomphlet 34
3) - " " " " " " 19 " 2ª
4) - Artillery training (vol.III) Fiel Gunnery Pomphlet n° 5
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11) - Switchboards u.c. 10 Line and 6 Line
12) - Fullerphones Mark IV - pomphlet n° 21

For translation
pl Q 13/9

IL COLONNELLO in s. di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari -

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(all.n°1 al foglio n° 521 /E/4/II/ADD)
in data 12 settembre 1944

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
- Ufficio Addestramento -

SPECCHIO INDICANTE LA DISTRIBUZIONE DEGLI OPUSCOLI-GIA' TRA= DOTTI DALL'INGLESE-AGLI ENTI DIPENDENTI.-

Titolo dell'opuscolo.-	Distribuzione						
	Ufficio di S.A.R. il L.	M.M.= I.A.	S.M.= R.E.	M.G.	Col. Angelini.	Col. Ravagli.	Divisione "Friuli".
"Ondametro cl. D-N S.M K IE e M K II„	2	100	10	1	-	-	-
"Come stanno le vostre batterie?„	2	100	10	1	-	-	-
"Lanciabombe anticarro per fanteria„	2	1	10	1	125	14	750
"Fucile mitragliatore„	2	1	10	1	125	14	-
"Applicazione del fuoco„	2	1	10	1	125	14	-
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"Moschetto automatico Thompson„	2	1	10	1	125	14	750
"Ponte Bailey„	2	71	10	1	-	-	-
"Mortaio da 3 pollici	2	1	10	1	125	14	-

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"Ponte Bailey"	2	71	10	1	-	-	-
"Mortaio da 3 pollici"	2	1	10	1	40	10	-
"Addestramento del Genio - Impianto Radio n°22"	2	200	1	1	-	-	-

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BS 55 RESTRICTED

Arrange immediate collection from RMIE school at SCAFATI personnel of course which finished there 10th (*) Aboen ROME Area _____Aeron Transport required one 3 ton lorry

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Subject:- Wall Diagrams.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q. A.C.C.

NOTE.
S/C/29/10.
12 Sept. 44.

Ministry of War. for attention Ufficio Addestramento, SMRE.

Ref. attached Weapon Training Diagrams.

1. These are the diagrams on which Italian N.C.Os are now being instructed at Weapon Training School C.M.T.C.

2. It is considered that if these diagrams can be printed with Italian interpretations that they will be of great use to N.C.O. instructors when running Weapon Training Cadres in their own units.

3. It is requested that you arrange for these diagrams to be printed with Italian interpretations, in large enough numbers to allow distribution down to platoons within Italian formations now training.

for Major General.
Army Sub Comm. A.C.C.

gb.MC.

went to SMRE today
& Col. Renari over, but seems there Barale & Col Secco who will arrange for printing of the 3 diagrams & let us know long they are likely to be.



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SUBJECT: Wall Diagrams.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
12 Sept 44.

To: D.M.T. HQ AAI.

Ref your DMT/134/MT.2 dated 10 Sep 44.

The three wall diagrams were received with your above quoted letter.

They have been passed to the Italian War Ministry with a request that they should have them reproduced with Italian interpretations in sufficient quantities to allow distribution down to platoons within Italian formations now training.

When printed they will be distributed on the scale mentioned above.

Will any copies be required by your office, and if so, how many.

Discussed with Maj Dobbs. 12/9

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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SECRET EQUALS US SECRET. 74

SUBJECT:- Italian Combat Force - Training of Reinforcements

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
11 Sep 44

Ministry of War

1. The maximum strength of the Italian Combat Force at present authorised is 57,000, of which approximately 54,000 are in the six combat groups and 3,000 in the ancilliary troops. To maintain this force, a reinforcement pool amounting to 10% of the total (i.e. an additional 5,700) will be allowed.

2. The actual strength of all officers and men appointed or posted to the force (including reinforcements and those absent on account of sickness or any other cause) is therefore 62,700.

3. The Reinforcement Depot is to be organised by you at once on the organisation of 12 officers and 105 men already approved, and established at the WEST end of the PIEDMONTE area in a position to be fixed by you. It will remain in this position while Groups are in the area and may move forward when Groups move into the combat area.

4. It is important that reinforcements are properly trained in the use of weapons, vehicles and equipment on the same lines as men in combat units. During the training period therefore, 5% of reinforcements in all arms will be attached to combat units for training and will be left behind in the Reinforcement Depot as each Group moves out of the area.

5. As soon as sufficient instructors have been trained in the use of British equipment you will ensure that adequate numbers are posted to the Reinforcement Depot (either on the permanent staff or as reinforcements) in the Depot. 1624

6. By this means it will be ensured that no man leaves the Reinforcement Depot to join a combat unit in action until he is properly trained.

7. An administrative instruction on the method of dealing with sick, wounded or absentees from the Combat Groups and for obtaining reinforcements will be sent you later.

8. The means by which reinforcements are to be obtained will be notified from time to time.

K Browning

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Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Personnel

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Army Sub Commission (USA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
G/G/29/10
Sept. 44.

TO: O.C. R.A.C.C.
Training Establishment
ACCADEMIA.

It would be appreciated if a collective report on the 1st Course recently completed could be forwarded to this H.Q. without delay.

apw.MIL.

Major Gen.
Army Sub Commission

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Date TOO

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To: SHAPE info RAOC Trg Establishment
MAIA LO P.B.S.
CINCSOUTH for FIELDMAN.

From: MAIA.

SD 1397 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Reference changeover FRIULI and CREMONA personnel on courses at PONTECAGNANO (*) Ensure that same transport is used to take CREMONA and receive FRIULI personnel

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W Fielding Colonel

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FROM LAEE 131613B

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TO SCHOOL OF E AND M.E, SCAFATI, CMF

INFO RPTD TO MMIA

GR 34 BT

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YOUR SEME 19 DATE 12 PD FOR DME SIGNED SACMED CITE FHORR PD

FX24548 HAVE HASTENED MMIA PD UNDERSTAND YOU MAY EXPECT

COLLECTION OF FITTERS 14 SEPT PD REPORT ANY FURTHER DELAY PD

BT 131613B

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MMIA
FILE REF 5B12 9/10.
Date Rec'd 14 9 44

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SUBJECT : Wall Charts

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ARMY GHQ

Ref : 11575

DMT/12A/MF.2

10 Sep 44.

M.M.T.A.

Ref the enclosed Weapon Training diagrams.

1. These are diagrams of weapons on which Italian NCOs are now being instructed at Weapon Training School CMTC.

2. It is considered that if these diagrams can be printed with Italian interpretations they will be a great help to Italian NCO instructors when running Weapon Training cadres within their own units.

3. It is regested that these diagrams be printed with Italian interpretations in large enough numbers to allow distribution down to platoons within Italian formations now training.

DRS/rs

Brig.,
D.M.T.

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Subject: Training - Gruppo di Combattimento.

To: Army Sub Commission, MMIA,
HQ, ACC,
Rome.

RAOC Training Establishment.
Tel Pontecagnano 23
Ref TE/43
Date 10 Sep 44.

Spec Sec
File No 3/1
Dep Pacs 12/9/1

Ref paras 6 and 7 of your S/G/29/10 dated 5 Sep 44.

1. Ord. Fd. Pk.

The W.E. of an Ord. Fd. Pk., Gruppi di Combattimento does not lend itself to the training of half the personnel for two groups at one time and I therefore suggest that the 7 Officers and 112 men due to start training on 24 Sep should form the personnel for whichever group has first priority. Will you please say if this can be arranged ?

2. Ammunition.

The Friuli Division personnel will not finish training until 16 Sep and this course is to be followed immediately by a course for personnel of the Cremona Division. I have not sufficient instructors to train the personnel of two groups at one time, in addition to my other commitments, and suggest the following dates for further courses:-

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Group.	Dates of Course.
Cremona	18 Sep to 7 Oct
Legnano	9 Oct to 28 Oct
Folgore	30 Oct to 18 Nov

In the Field.

J.H. Scott Major
Lt.Col.
Comd.
(J.H. SCOTT)

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Fire

MMIA

MMIA LO CRESCNA DIV.

SS 54

Reference your CR/3 dated 11 Sep (*) Paren MMIA Area _____ SECRET Paren Arrangements already in hand for early shipment Field hospitals and medical stores (*) Maps have been requested and will be forwarded when received (*) Five copies wbw instruction No 3 despatched to you today

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Discussed & agreed
Maj Heggie
Capt Fox. 12/9

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Dictated (*) Copy have been requested and will be forwarded when received (*)

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Discussed & agreed
Maj Heggie
Capt Fox. 12/9

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M.I.A. C.

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN / OUT

TO HQ MMIA

FROM MMIA LO CREMONA DIV CR/3 11

MMIA	SD
FILE REF	1
Date Recd	2/9/1

SECRET ○

First ○ Early shipment of both field hospitals and all medical stores essential ○

Second ○ Request 600 maps scale 1/50,000 sheets 173/2 and 185/1, also 5 copies of MMIA admin. instructions number 3 /1

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(302/93/2)

ACTION EXM.

FROM : AMMA

DATE. TOO. 09 1105 B.

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR INFORMATION. COL FINLAY

ST/318 SECRET (.) REFER TEL IN LETTER ST/93/2 OF 5 SEPT (.) SUBJECT TO TRAINING OF COMMISSARIATO COMPANY FOR OVERSEAS DUTIES (.) FIRST COURSE FOR OFFICERS AND NCO OF INFANTRY DIVISION COMMISSARIATO COMPANY WILL ASSEMBLE AT ROMA ON 10 SEPTEMBER 18 SEPTEMBER 11 SEPTEMBER AS STATED IN SUBJECT LETTER(.) INSTRUCT ALL CONCERNED ACCORDINGLY (.) ACKNOWLEDGE

1 2 ORIGIN OF PRIORITY

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DESIGNATE

Lt Col.

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(ST/93/2)

SECRET FOR

FROM : MMLA

TO : COMDT. RASC T.D. NOLA.

RPTD D.S.T. ANTIQ. OFFICIAL COL FTD[illegible]Y. DATE. TOO. 09 1107B.

ST/317 SECRET (.) SUBJECT IS TRAINING COURSES FOR ITALIAN COMPOSITE COMPANIES (.) ASSEMBLY DATE FOR FIRST COURSES IS NOT 18 SEP BUT 18 SEP NOT 11 SEP AS TENTATIVELY ARRANGED WITH YOU (.) FIRST COURSE ASSEMBLES 18 SEP DISPERSES 26 SEP (.) SECOND COURSE ASSEMBLES 26 SEP DISPERSES 4 OCT (.) ANTICIPATE THIRD COURSE WILL ASSEMBLE 4 OCT DISPERSE 12 OCT, FOURTH COURSE ASSEMBLE 12 OCT DISPERSE 20 OCT BUT THESE TWO SUBJECT FINAL CONFIRMATION BY THIS HQ (.) ACK

1 2 DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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Lt Col

IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Personnel

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E
C/C/29/10
9 Sept. 44.

TO. O.C. B.A.C.C.
Training Establishment
PONTECAGNANO.

It would be appreciated if a collective report on the 1st Course recently completed could be forwarded to this H.Q. without delay.

Maj. Gen.
Army Sub Commission

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MESSAGE FORM.

From: EMIA

To: EMT ADNAP
Info FREEDOM for CSO
PRS for EMIA LO

TOO 08 1620 B

THI 08 B

SD 1401 (.) Restricted (.) Reference EMT/227 of 7 Sept (.) Ministry of Public Instruction is being approached with regard to difficulty over PAIMA School (.) Will let you know result earliest (.) Meanwhile Col. DE MARINIS understood to be seeking alternative accommodation (.) FOR EMIA LO PRS (.) Please instruct Military Headquarters Campania that Col DE MARINIS should visit EMT ADNAP soonest

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO

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FROM FREEDOM — INFO AAI FOR CSO BRITISH SCHOOL OF SIGNALS
MMIA — MMIA LO FSG FOR FLEMING

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

SD 1399 ⊙ CONFIDENTIAL (*) REFERENCE YOUR X 1648 of 4 SEPT (*) CONFIRM COURSES SERIALS 6,7,AND 8 ARE REQUIRED (*) ITALIANS INFORMED SERIALS 6 AND 8 ALLOTED TO OIL (*) DETAILS ON FLEMING RETURN (*) AGREE REMAIN ING PARAGRAPHS

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* (Except)
Signature — Witness

This Message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands
*Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority: ROUTINE

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T.H.I.
T.O.R. 1613

* Originator may delete "Except" and insert "Including." (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
-Uff. Addestramento-

N°450/A/15/Add. di prot. P.M. 151, li 8 Settembre 1944

OGGETTO:-Corsi di addestramento per il personale dei Gruppi di Combattimento "LEGNANO" e "FOLGORE".-

AL COMANDO C.I.L. P.M. 155
AL COMANDO DIVISIONE "LEGNANO" P.M. 155
AL COMANDO DIVISIONE "FOLGORE" P.M. 146
AL MINISTERO GUERRA ROMA
-Direz. Gen. Personale e Ufficiali ROMA
-Direz. Gen. Leva Sottuff.e Truppa
ALLO S.M.R.E.
-Ufficio Segret.e Personale SEDE
-Ufficio Servizi SEDE
-Ufficio Trasporti SEDE
-Ufficio Ord.e Mobilitazione SEDE
AL COLONNELLO RAVAGLI BENEVENTO
-Capo sez. colleg.- COLLEFERRO
AL MAGGIORE CONTI

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M. M. I. A.
-Sottocommissione per l'Esercito- ROMA
(rif. S/G/29/10 del 5 corr.)
AL MINISTERO GUERRA
-Gabinetto
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A" -S.M.R.E.- ROMA P.M. 185

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Si prega apportare le sottonotate aggiunte o varianti alle circolari di questo S.M. 360/A/13 ADD.e 383/A/12 ADD. rispettivamente in data 4 e 5 corrente.

CIRCOLARE 360/A/13:

Capo III - artiglieria - aggiungere:
E' possibile che i corsi siano tenuti nelle zone di concentramento e non a Colleferro. Seguirà conferma.

Capo IV - corso per magazzinieri: modifiche alle date di inizio e alla ripartizione del personale:
1° corso: dal 24/9 al 15/10: Legnano: 4 uff. e 56 sott.tr.
Folgore: 3 " e 56 " "
2° corso: dal 15/10 " [illegible]

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-Direz. Gen. Personale e Ufficiali — ROMA
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-Ufficio Servizi — SEDE
-Ufficio Trasporti — SEDE
-Ufficio Ord.e Mobilitazione — SEDE
AL COLONNELLO RAVAGLI
-Capo sez.colleg.- — BENEVENTO
AL MAGGIORE CONTI — COLLEFERRO

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M. M. I. A.
-Sottocommissione per l'Esercito- — ROMA
(rif. S/G/29/10 del 5 corr.)
AL MINISTERO GUERRA
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Folgore: 4 " e 56 " "

Presentazione rispettivamente il 23/9 e il 14/10.

Capo V - collegamenti.
Modificare come segue:
Vi parteciperà per ciascun Gruppo Combatt. il seguente personale:
- fanteria : 2 uff. inf. 2 sottuff.

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- artiglieria : 4 uff. inf. 2 sottuff.
- genio : 4 uff. inf. 6 sottuff.- 3 truppa (radio montatori)

Si svolgerà a Lauro di Nola dal 18 al 30 settembre (fino al 14 ottobre per i radiomontatori).

Gli allievi dovranno:

- avere al seguito armamento ed equipaggiamento al completo, nonché matita e quaderno per appunti;
- giungere a Lauro di Nola il 17 settembre e ripartirvi il 1 ottobre;
- essere vettovagliati a tutto il giorno di arrivo.

Eventuali deficienze, particolarmente radiomontatori, siano subito segnalate a questo S.M. (Ufficio ord. mob.)

Capo VI - corsi sulle munizioni inglesi:

Sostituire col seguente:

Saranno svolti i seguenti corsi:

Gr. combatt. Legnano:

2 sott. e 6 soldati per comando gruppo di comb.
1 sott. per ciascun rgt.ftr.
1 sott. per ciascun rgt.art.
1 sott. o graduato per ciascuno dei 6 gruppi di art.
Totale 17 sott. e gr.
Inizio: 24 settembre - termine 7 ottobre - presentazione il 23/9.

Gruppo Combattimento Folgore:

Stesso personale previsto per la Legnano.
Inizio: 9/10 - termine 21/10 - presentazione 8/10.
Località: Pontecagnano.

Alla fine di ciascun corso il personale sarà restituito alle proprie unità con i mezzi di trasporto che porteranno gli allievi dei corsi successivi.

Capo VII - operai specialisti di artiglieria:

Modifiche:

1° corso: dal 18 al 30/9 per gr.com. Legnano.
2° corso: dal 2/10 al 14/10 per gr. com. Folgore.

Il personale deve apprendere a classi di non previsto congedamento e deve essere fatto rientrare alle unità il giorno successivo a quello del termine dei corsi.

Gli allievi devono avere al seguito corredo equipaggiamento completo (con coperte e pagliericci) e tuta, ed essere vettovagliati a tutto il giorno di arrivo ai corsi.

Capo VIII - Avviamento ai corsi:

Modificare il capoverso: avviamento da Piedimonte alle sedi dei corsi

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Inizio: 9/10 - termine 21/10 - presentazione 8/10.
Località: Pontecagnano.

Alla fine di ciascun corso il personale sarà restituito alle proprie unità con i mezzi di trasporto che porteranno gli allievi dei corsi successivi.

Capo VII - operai specialisti di artiglieria:

Modifiche:

1° corso: dal 18 al 30/9 per gr.com. Legnano.
2° corso: dal 2/10 al 14/10 per gr. com. Folgore.

Il personale deve apprendere a classi di non previsto congedamento e deve essere fatto rientrare alle unità il giorno successivo a quello del termine dei corsi.

Gli allievi devono avere al seguito corredo equipaggiamento completo (con coperte e pagliericci) e tuta, ed essere vettovagliati a tutto il giorno di arrivo ai corsi.

Capo VIII - avviamento ai corsi:

Modificare il capoverso: avviamento da Piedimonte alle sedi dei corsi come segue: avviamento da Piedimonte alle sedi dei corsi a cura ufficio trasporti di questo S.M. che inoltrerà tempestivamente all'ufficio trasporti della M.M.I.A. le richieste tramite via normale.

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Capo XII - sez. collec. e grb interpreti.

Aggiungere; tutti gli interpreti, attualmente presso le sedi dei vari corsi, rimarranno in posto per l'addestramento del personale dei corsi successivi. Disposizioni a cura ufficio segreteria e personale di questo S.M.

Inserire un capoverso VII bis:

VII Bis. - GENIO:

I reparti artieri dei due gruppi di combattimento verranno addestrati da personale italiano che ha già frequentato, a Capua, il corso sulle mine anticarro e antiuomo, sulle demolizioni e sui ponti Bailey. Tale corso terminerà il 18 corrente.

A ciascun gruppo di combattimento verranno assegnati 3 uff. e 6 sottuff. a cura di questo S.M.

Per la "compagnia parco campale", da costituirsi per i due Gruppi con la 77^ Cp. artieri, verranno assegnati, a cura di questo S.M.; 1 ufficiale e 2 sottufficiali che ultimeranno il corso in atto sulle attrezzature campali il 25 corrente.

Inserire un capoverso VII ter.

VII ter. - corso carabinieri reali:

I carabinieri reali delle sezioni divisionali dovranno essere addestrati al controllo del traffico secondo i sistemi in uso negli eserciti Alleati.

Sarà perciò svolto un corso ad Ottaviano al Vesuvio (Napoli) presso il Deposito del Corpo Inglese di Polizia Militare, con inizio il primo ottobre e termine il 9 ottobre p.v. - data di presentazione al corso: 30 settembre .

Personale partecipante per ciascuna divisione:

2 uff. - 8 sottuff. dei CC.RR.

Le sezioni CC.RR. dovranno iniziare subito l'addestramento alla guida e manutenzione motocicli, avvalendosi dei motociclisti e dei motocicli delle sezioni stesse.

Il personale comandato dovrà:

- non comprendere i motociclisti già adibiti all'addestramento di cui sopra;
- essere soddisfatto di viveri a tutto il giorno di arrivo e di paga fino al termine del corso;
- avere al seguito armamento ed equipaggiamento completo;
- essere vettovagliato, durante il corso, dal comando deposito del Corpo Inglese di Polizia Militare.

Eventuali deficienze di personale siano segnalate all'ufficio

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- essere vettovagliato, durante il corso, dal comando deposito del Corpo Inglese di Polizia Militare.

Eventuali deficienze di personale siano segnalate all'ufficio ordinamento e mobilitazione di questo S.M.

Restano in vigore tutte le altre prescrizioni della circolare 360/A/13 non in contrasto col presente ordine.

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CIRCOLARE 383/A/12

Varianti:
Saranno svolti due corsi:
Gr. C.Legnano : dal 25/9 al 7/10 a Tor Sapienza - presentazione 24/9.
Gr. C.Folgore : dal 2/10 al 14/10 a Molfetta - presentazione 1/10.
Personale da comandare a ciascun corso :
2 ufficiali
50 sottuff. e truppa.
Tutte le disposizioni di cui ai capitoli II - III - IV - V - del foglio 383/A/12 restano invariate.
Agli effetti letterecci occorrenti sarà provveduto a cura dell'ufficio servizi di questo S.M.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
ft.- A. Santi -

p.c.c.
IL COL. in s. di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari -

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2 ufficiali
50 sottuff. e truppa.

Tutte le disposizioni di cui ai capitoli II - III - IV - V - del foglio 383/A/12 restano invariate.

Agli effetti letterici occorrenti sarà provveduto a cura dell'ufficio servizi di questo S.M.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
ft.- A. Banti -

p.c.c.
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SEGRETISSIMO

STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
Ufficio Addestramento

N°360/A/13/ADD. di prot. P.M. 151, li 4 Settembre 1944

OGGETTO:-Corsi di addestramento per la formazione di istruttori della Div. "Nembo" e del 1° Raggruppamento mt.

Training courses for training instructors for Nembo Div. and 1st Motorized Group

AL COMANDO CORPO ITALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE = P.M.155) a 4 ur
AL COMANDO DIVISIONE NEMBO (1ª e 2ª Brigata) = P.M.146) ficiale
AL COMANDO I° RAGGRUPPAMENTO MOTORIZZATO = P.M. 155)
ALLO S.M.R.E. Uff.Segret.e Pers. = S E D E

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M.M.I.A.:Sottocomm.per l'Esercito = R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Dir. Gen. Personale Ufficiali
-Dir. Gen. Leva Sottuff. e Truppa = R O M A
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
-Uff. Ordinamento e Mobilitazione
-Uff. Servizi = P.M. 151
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A"
AL COL. RAVAGLI -Capo Sez.Colleg. = BENEVENTO
AL MAGGIORE CONTI = COLLEFERRO

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I. = Allo scopo di addestrare ufficiali, sottufficiali, graduati e soldati alla conoscenza e all'impiego di alcuni materiali di dotazione degli eserciti alleati, saranno svolti, con le modalità qui appresso indicate, i seguenti corsi per la formazione di un nucleo di istruttori.

A corsi ultimati sarà così possibile costituire presso la divisione "Nembo" e il 1° Raggruppamento motorizzato appositi centri di addestramento per la divulgazione delle predette conoscenze.

II.= FANTERIA: CORSI SULLE ARMI DI FANTERIA:

Saranno svolti a Benevento, come segue:

-corso sulle armi di plotone. Vi parteciperanno:

Divisione Nembo:	10 Uff.inf.ftr	-25 sottuff.ftr
1° Raggrupp.mt.:	10 Uff.inf.ftr	-25 sottuff.ftr

-corso sul mortaio da 3 pollici: Vi parteciperanno

Divisione Nembo:	9 Uff.inf.ftr	-11 sottuff.ftr
1° Raggrupp.mt.:	9 Uff.inf.ftr	-11 sottuff.ftr

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-Dir.Gen.Leva Sottuff. e Truppa = R O M A

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-Uff.Servizi = P.M. 151

ALLA DELEGAZIONE "A"
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Divisione Nembo:	9 Uff.inf.ftr	-11 sottuff.ftr
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-corso orientativo ufficiali superiori:

Scopo: acquistare l'orientamento necessario per adattare i procedimenti tattici inglesi alle formazioni italiane in relazione al particolare armamento. 1607

Vi parteciperanno:

Divisione Nembo:	6 Uff.Sup.ftr	-
1° Raggrupp.mt :	6 Uff.Sup.ftr	

Inizio dei corsi: 20 settembre 1944.
Durata: 3 settimane.

III. = ARTIGLIERIA: CORSI SUL MATERIALE DI ARTIGLIERIA:

Saranno svolti a Colleferro, come segue:

-sul cannone da 6 libbre per fanteria:

Divisione Nembo:	6 Uff.inf.ftr	-11 sottuff.ftr
1° Raggrupp.mt :	6 Uff.inf.ftr	-11 sottuff.ftr

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-sul cannone da 17 libbre:

Divisione Nembo:	3 U.f.inf.art	- 2 sottuff.art
1° Raggrupp.mt.:	3 U.f.inf.art	- 2 sottuff.art

-sul cannone da 25 libre:

Divisione Nembo:	6 U.f.inf.art	-11 sottuff.art
1° Raggrupp.mt.:	6 U.f.inf.art	-11 sottuff.art

-sul cannone da 40 mm.:

Divisione Nembo:	6 U.f.inf.art	- 4 sottuff.art
1° Raggrupp.mt.:	6 U.f.inf.art	- 4 sottuff.art

Inizio corsi: presumibilmente il 18 o il 20 corrente.
Durata 3 settimane.
Riserva conferma data.

IV)= CORSI PER MAGAZZINIERI

Scopo: addestrare il personale dei depositi mobili div., delle sezioni reggimentali, delle officine e delle sezioni di commissariato alla conoscenza dei materiali ed alla procedura per la compilazione e l'inoltro delle richieste inerenti ai materiali stessi.
Saranno svolti due corsi, a Pontecagnano (Salerno):
-dal 25 settembre al 14 ottobre: per Div.Nembo
-dal 16 ottobre al 4 novembre : per 1° Raggrupp.mt.
A ciascun corso parteciperanno i seguenti elementi:
-per il deposito divisionale artiglieria e genio:
2 uff.inf.art
4 sottufficiali art e genio
13 graduati art e genio (6 scritturali, 6autisti 1 meccanico d'auto)
32 soldati art e genio (15 autisti-magazzinieri, 9 autisti 3 motoc, -2 elettr.operai-1 cuciniere - 2 fatica).
-per le due sezioni dei reggimenti di fanteria:
2 uff.inf.ftr
2 sottufficiali ftr
6 graduati ftr (4 autisti-magazzinieri = 2 meccanici d'auto)-
28 soldati ftr (2 scritturali-14 autisti magazzinieri - 4 autisti - 2 motoc.-2 autisti attendenti -

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Durata 3 settimane.
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-per le due sezioni dei reggimenti di fanteria:
2 uff. inf. ftr
2 sottufficiali ftr
6 graduati ftr (4 autisti-magazzinieri = 2 meccanici d'auto)-
28 soldati ftr (2 scritturali-14 autisti magazzinieri - 4 autisti - 2 motoc.-2 autisti attendenti - 2 cucinieri - 2 di fatica).
-per l'officina divisionale:
1 uff; inf. art - 8 graduati e sold. magazzinieri.
-per l'officina di corpo d'armata:
1 uff. inf. art.-12 graduati e soldati magazzinieri
-per il magazzino commissariato divisionale:
1 uff. inf. commiss. - 7 sold. sussistenza.

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TOTALI PER CIASCUN CORSO:
7 uff. - [illegible] uff. - 36 graduati - 60 graduati e soldati.

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V) = CORSO COLLEGAMENTI:

Avrà luogo a Lauro di Nola: riserva di ordini per l'inizio.
Durata: 13 giorni

Vi parteciperanno, per ciascuno dei due enti interessati:
- fanteria : 2 uff. inf. - 2 sottuff.
- artigl. : 5 uff. inf. - 5 sottuff.
- genio : 5 uff. inf. - 9 sottuff. - 6 truppa radiomontat.

A cura di questo Stato Maggiore (Uff. segr e pers.) saranno inviati 6 ufficiali interpreti e relativi attendenti.

VI) = CORSI SULLE MUNIZIONI INGLESI:

Saranno svolti 2 corsi a Pontecagnano (Salerno), della durata di 15 giorni ciascuno:
- dal 24 settembre al 7 ottobre: per divisione Nembo
- dal 9 ottobre al 21 ottobre : per 1° raggr.mt.

A ciascun corso parteciperanno:

2 sottuff. e 6 soldati per comando divisione o raggrupp.mt.
1 sottuff. per ciascun reggimento fanteria
1 sottuff. per ciascun reggimento artiglieria
2 sottufficiali o graduati per ciascuno dei 5 gruppi di art
2 ufficiali interpreti (a cura uff. segrtpers. di questo SM)

VII) = CORSO PER OPERAI SPECIALISTI DI ARTIGLIERIA

Scopo: pratica riparazione armi.
Sarà svolto a Scafati (Napoli) un unico corso con inizio il 18 settembre - durata 3 settimane, riservato agli operai specializzati per cannoni da 25 libbre, 17 libre, 6 libbre, 40 mm.
Vi parteciperanno per ciascun ente interessato 12 operai specializzati (sottufficiali e graduati, eccezionalmente soldati).
A cura di questo S.M. (Uff. Segrt. e Pers.) saranno inviati 2 ufficiali interpreti.

VIII) = INVIO AI CORSI.

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no inviati 6 ufficiali interpreti e relativi attendenti.

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A cura di questo S.M. (Uff. Segrt. e Pers.) saranno inviati 2 ufficiali interpreti.

VIII) = AVVIAMENTO AI CORSI:

Gli elementi prescelti per i corsi dovranno essere i primi a giungere nella zona di Piedimonte d'Alife, località nella quale dovranno concentrarsi improrogabilmente entro il 12 corrente.
Avviamento a Piedimonte: a cura Comando C.I.L. 1505
Avviamento da Piedimonte alle sedi dei corsi: a cura della K.M.I.S. (Sottocommissione per l'Esercito)/
Il personale dovrà raggiungere le sedi dei corsi nelle ore antimeridiane del giorno precedente il loro inizio.

IX) = UTILIZZAZIONE DEL PERSONALE

Al termine dei corsi tutto il personale sarà fatto rientrare ai reparti di provenienza per il conseguente addestramento delle Unità.

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X) = SCELTA DEL PERSONALE:

Dovrà essere scelto con la massima cura, ricercando, possibilmente anche elementi che, oltre a possedere i requisiti necessari, abbiano nozioni pratiche della lingua inglese.
Gli ufficiali dovranno essere tutti in s.p.e.; i sottufficiali, di massima, saranno tratti da quelli di carriera; i caporal maggiori (nel limite non superiore ad un quinto dell'aliquota totale dei sottufficiali) dovranno appartenere alle classi comprese tra il 1918 e il 1924. Analogo criterio sarà seguito per la truppa.

Eventuali deficienze siano tempestivamente segnalate alle cpetenti Direzioni Generali del Ministero e per conoscenza a questo S.M. (Uffici: Addestramento- Ord.e Mob.).

XI) = EQUIPAGGIAMENTO

Il personale comandato ai corsi dovrà portare al seguito: armamento individuale - corredo nel massimo ordine - stoviglie - telo da tenda - una coperta da campo - matita - block notes.
Gli ufficiali dovranno essere provvisti di lettino da campo e bacinella.
I partecipanti al corso operai specialisti di artiglieria dovranno anche essere provvisti di tuta.

XII) = SEDICNE DI COLLEGAMENTO E GRUPPI INTERPRETI:

Il Col.Ravagli e i gruppi interpreti attualmente a Benevento, Colleferro e Montecagnano, rimarranno sul posto per le necessità dei corsi oggetto del presente ordine.

XIII) = Comando Militare Campania è pregato controllare affluenza e sistemazione del personale comandato ai corsi.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
f° P. Berardi

p.c.c.
IL COLONNELLO in s.S.M.

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CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
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Ufficio Addestramento

nº 351 /E/4/II/add.di prot. P.M.151,lì 4 settembre 1944.-

oggetto : manuali stampati - incorso di stampa - in corso di traduzione.

allegati nº 1

ALLA M.M.I.A.- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito - ROMA

I° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI STAMPA:

1° Mines,minefied and bouby traps
2° Artillery training (vol.III)Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet nº12
3° Working instruction wierless sets - nº19 parte 1ª
4° W.S.N. 22 Working Instructions Part I
5° Grenade
6° Artillery training (vol.II)Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet nº2

II° - ELENCO DEI MANUALI IN CORSO DI TRADUZIONE:

1° - Rifle- -Baionet- -Pistol-
2° Working instruction wierless sets nº18 (part 1ª)
3° " " " " nº18
4° " " " " nº19 (part II°)
5° Artillery training (vol III) Fiel Gunnery Pamphlet nº5
6° " " " " " " " nº6
7° " " " " " " " nº7
8° " " " " " " " nº12
9° Maintenance manual for the Ordinance QF,17 PR Mark 1 carriage
10° " " " " " " ",25" " 11 on " "
11° " " " " " " ",6 " oet Mark 11 and IV Carriage.
12° Telephone sets D Marr V - Pamphlet 22
13° Telephone sets F marks I and I° Pamphlet 23

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12° Telephone sets D Marr V - Pamphlet 22
13° Telephone sets F marks I and I° Pamphlet 23 1603

IL COLONNELLO in s.di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari -

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Applicazione del fuoco	2	1	10	1	-	
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FROM DMT ADNAP 091200 B

TO MMIA CMF INFO FREEDOM FOR DST

QQX GR 11 BT

DMT/248 RESTRICTED . REFERENCE MMIA CABLE SD1389 UNDATED .

YOUR PROPOSALS AGREED

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Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

HOME.
S/G/29/10.
6. Sept 44.

SUBJECT: Various

To : O.C., B.L.U.,
FRIULI Group.

1. Attached is a complete copy of the establishments for a Combat Group as approved by A.F.H.Q.

2. If you and the Group Commander find there is something which does not work in practice and wish to amend it, the proposed amendment should be put up by the Group Commander to SMRE and you should advise us.

3. Reference the Italian complement of the BLU, SMRE in their 6236/Ord of 27 August instructed Military Headquarters, CAMPANIA, to form the unit from existing personnel of the FRIULI. Please let us know if there are any difficulties about this.

4. Attached is a copy of a signal from General BROWNING on the British part of the B.L.U. We'll keep jogging AAI as well.

5. Letter reference Carabinieri course is also attached.

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Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

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nº 369 /E/4/II/Add.di prt. P.M.151, lì 5 sett. 1944.-

oggetto: trasmissione di pubblicazione.

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per
l'Esercito = ROMA =

Si trasmette nº1^ copia dell'opuscolo "Addestramento Armi Leggere -Mortaio da 76 (3 pol.) -vol 1º" -

tradotto dall'originale inglese, per conoscenza.

IL COLONNELLO in s.di S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
- G. Ferrari -

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DATE/TIME 051736 B

FROM: MILA.

TO : DST (APHQ)

INFO: DST (APHQ)

CYPHER NO: AD/1389

5/6/29/10.

RESTRICTED (*) Reference your DST/184 of 4 Sept (*) Arrangements for training officers and other ranks of 2nd Line A T Companies allotted Italian Combat Groups comprise (a) Officers courses of 7 days duration one providing instructors in general company duties (*) (b) NCOs courses of 7 days duration providing instruction in vehicle inspection and maintenance one convoy control and road discipline etc (*) Both foregoing to be held at BASE TD NOLA (*) In addition personnel of composite platoons of these companies will undergo attachments of 10 days duration to BASC Supply and Petrol Depots in NAPLES area (*) DST has full details of plan (*) Request DST be advised that training of these Combat Groups and their services in British Army continent

May be sent as written by any means except ( ) wireless.

Must be sent in cipher if liable to interception.

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SUBJECT: Training of Instructors Etc., C.I.L. SECRET

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
5 Sep 44.

To: Ministry of War - (for attention of SMRE - Ufficio Addestramento.)

1. The training in British schools of unit instructors etc from C.I.L. for the two Groups (LEGNANO and FOLGORE) to be formed from it will follow the same general arrangements as for FRIULI and CREMONA. All personnel concerned will be brought by you to the PIEMONTE Area as quickly as possible so as to be ready to report at the various schools when required. Details are as follows.

2. ARTILLERY.

Instructors as for the FRIULI and CREMONA groups will be chosen forthwith. It is probable that courses for these instructors will be held in the concentration areas and not at the School of Artillery. Confirmation will follow.

3. INFANTRY.

Personnel as for FRIULI and CREMONA will report at C.M.T.C., BENEVENTO on 19th September for courses in Platoon weapons, 3" Mortar and Tactics, to run from 21st September to 12 October. The present interpreters will remain, and, unless required for training, the same duty platoon.

4. SIGNALS.

You will ensure that the Italian Signals School will be ready to start courses as from September 19th. The first course will be for Signals personnel of LEGNANO and FOLGORE Groups. It was planned that the School should accommodate up to 120 students at a time, so 60 students should be selected for each Group. Please submit your proposals to M.M.I.A. for putting the above into effect.

5. FIELD ENGINEERS.

3 Officers and 6 NCOs per Group will have finished their course at CAPUA on 18th September, and will be available to train the Artieri Coys of the LEGNANO and FOLGORE Groups. The Field Park Coy for the two Groups to be formed from 72 Artieri Coy will be trained with LEGNANO. Instructors

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6. ORDNANCE FIELD PARK.

Two courses at PONTECAGNANO will be held as follows:

a.	24 Sept to 15 Oct.	LEGNANO Group	4	Officers and	56 men.
		FOLGORE Group	3	" "	56 "
b.	15 Oct to 4 Nov.	LEGNANO Group	3	Officers "	56 "
		FOLGORE Group	4	" "	56 "

You will arrange for these two Ord Field Park Units to be organised in time for their courses and for the necessary means of transporting them as above.

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7. AMMUNITION.

Further courses as per our S/G/29/8 of 9 August will take place at the R.A.O.C. Training Establishment, PONTECAGNANO, as follows:

Group.	No of Personnel.	Dates of Course.	Date of Joining.
LEGNANO	17	24 Sept - 7 Oct	23 Sept.
FOLGORE	17	9 Oct - 21 "	8 Oct.

At the end of each course personnel will leave for their units in the transport which brings the students for the next.

8. GUN FITTERS.

Reference is made to our TS/G/29/9 of 13 August. Similar courses for Gun Fitters have been arranged at the School of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, SCAFATI, as follows:

Group.	No of personnel.	Dates of Course.	Date of Joining.
LEGNANO	12	18 Sept - 30 Sept	17 Sept.
FOLGORE	12	2 Oct - 14 Oct.	1 Oct.

Please make arrangements for personnel to return to their units on the day after the completion of the course. Candidates should take bedding and overalls and sufficient rations for the journey. The present course, for personnel of the CREMONA, will finish on 9 September.

9. MECHANICAL ENGINEERS.

Reference our S/G/29/9 of 29 August further courses, with the same administrative arrangements, will take place as follows: -

Place.	Group	No of Personnel Offrs	No of Personnel ORs.	Dates of Course.	Date of Joining.
1 ABW TOR SAPIENZA	LEGNANO	2	50	25 Sept - 7 Oct.	24 Sept.
12 ABW MOLFETTA	FOLGORE	2	50	2 Oct - 14 Oct.	1 Oct.

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Courses will take place at R.A.S.C. Training Depot, NOLA as arranged. Reference your ST/93/2 of 5 September .

11. CARABINIERI.

A course has been arranged in Traffic Control for 1 officer and 4 Carabinieri of each section at the Depot of the British Corps of Military Police, OTTAVIANO, nr. VESUVIO. 2 officers and 8 Carabinieri for each Group will report to the Depot on 30th September, beginning on 9 October. The two interpreters from the first course (17 - 26 September) will remain. The training of motor cyclists within the section by Italian instructors should begin as soon as possible.

12. INTERPRETERS.

Except in special cases the same interpreters will stay on at each establishment until courses for all the Combat Groups are finished. It may be that the C.I.L. has a number of English speakers who could be profitably used for this work. You are requested to send MMIA a list of such officers

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12. INTERPRETERS (CONTD.)

- and NCOs so that if necessary some of the less able interpreters could be replaced, or the number of interpreters increased.

13. TRANSPORT.

It is your responsibility to ensure that requests for transport both to and from all training establishments are made in good time by your Ufficio Trasporti through the usual channels.

W Pidsley Colonel
for Major General,
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Copy to: H.Q. AAI.
IMT A.F.H.Q.
C.M.T.C.
8th Army School of Artillery.
R.A.C.C. Training Establishment, PONTECAGNANO.
British School of Signals, LAURA, NOLA.
School of Military Engineering, CAPUA.
School of E and M.E. SCAFATI.
1 ABW, TOR SAPIENZA.
12 ABW, MOLFETTA.
R.A.S.C. Training Depot, NOLA.
O.C., ELU, LEGNANO.
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SUBJECT: Translation of Training Manuals.

Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
4. Sep 44.

H.Q., C.M.T.C.

Reference your CMTC/41/G of 31 August 1944.

It is regretted that all the translators availble are at present engaged on Technical Handbooks which must have priority over publications on tactical handling and organisation. As explained, these are to remain on Italian lines. It is doubtful, therefore, whether the translation of the pamphlets enclosed with your letter will be undertaken in time, if at all.

W. Pidley.
Colonel
for Major General.
Army Sub Comm, MMIA.

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MESSAGE FORM

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From: MIT:

Date. 200.24.1125.B.

To : CINC FOR SOUTHEX

Info: Nº 9 PUBLICATIONS DEPOT
FBO FOR GHQ

ST/IS2 RECEIVED (.) 1500 COPIES OF INSPECTION MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF ARMY VEHICLES (VEHICLE) IN ITALIAN AWAIT COLLECTION AT NO 9 PUBLICATIONS DEPOT NAPLES (.) PLEASE DESPATCH FOR 2 SHIPS (.)

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(1) (2) Date of Priority

Capt. SECTION

Internal:- Special Section.
Major Egerton.

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MESSAGE FOR:

From: MEXA

Date. TOO.24.

To : CINCSO FOR SOUTHERN

Info: No 9 PUBLICATIONS DEPOT
PFC FOR MEXA

SX/25 RESTRICTED (.) 1500 COPIES OF INSTRUCTION MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF ARMY VEHICLES (WHEELED) IN ITALIAN AWAIT COLLECTION AT NO 9 PUBLICATIONS DEPOT NAPLES (.) PLEASE COLLECT FOR 2 GROUPS (.)

(1) (2) Degree of Priority

ROUTINE

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Internal:- Special Section.
Major Egerton.



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File No. 1
Date Rec'd 5191

LRKB V LRMY NR 231 "P" QVR 1
FROM DMT ADNAP 0412ØØB
TO MMIA CMF
INFO FREEDOM FOR DST
QQX GR 21
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DMT/184
RESTRICTED (.) YOUR 0.561 OF 2 AUG 44 (.) FORWARD OUTLINE OF TENTATIVE PLAN SO THAT APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE CAN BE GIVEN
BT 17ØØ
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1815 SRI
RECD NR231 1825 B AAA AR

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MESSAGE FORM

5/9/29/10 401

To : 5 Army.

From : M.M.I.A.

Date TOO B

THI B D

SD/1378 (.) RESTRICTED (.) Reference our SD/1334 of 30th August (.) If DI PAOLA cannot be spared request Captain DI MEDICI LORENZO be released to report to S.M.R.E.

May be sent as WRITTEN except ( ) Ciphers.

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SECRET EYES.

FROM: NMCA.

TO: INT ASHAP

Info: AAT AHI for INT.

Intel

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TNZ

B.961(.) (.) Landing facilities available NMA. Send Naval for Italian Combat Group regimental instructors (.) Tentative plan: radio between NMA and A.C.F. rept A.F.T. (.) Request INT rept INT approval in principle and authority first convoy begins at once

May be seen on NMCA by navy naval ( ) officers.

Must be sent in CIPHER if liable to interception.

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M.M.I.A. Spec Sec
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SECRET

SUBJECT:- Translation of Training Manuals.

Army Sub Commission,
M.M.I.A.

H.Q. CA Trg Centre,
CMF
CMTC/41/G

31 Aug. 44

Reference your 3/Q/29/1 dated 23 Aug 44.

1. It is requested that the following training manuals be translated into Italian :

Infantry Training Parts I, IV, V and VIII

2. Copies are enclosed herewith.

Date Recd

MD/1F.

Brig.,
Comd CA Trg Centre.

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ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione per l'Esercito-

R O M A

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Riferimento foglio di cotesta M.M.I.A. S/G/29/10 del 29 agosto si assicura che le richieste trasporti ferroviari, per i gruppi "Friuli" o "Cremona", saranno inviate al più presto.

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO Ufficio Addestramento

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
- A. Santo -

per 3 SP

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SIGNALS

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FROM DNT ADNAP 031035B

TO MMIA

QQX GR 16BT
DNT/171 RESTRICTED.)

REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED AS REQUESTED

(.) YOUR SD 1356 OF 31AUG 44REFERS

BT 031445

RPTNS NR ~~201 031035B GR 16 BT/171~~

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8/6/29 /10.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To: D.M.I. AIRAP. Date TOO 1900

From: MEXICO. 30 THX

SO 1356 (.) RESTRICTED (.) It would be valuable to have collective reports for Italian courses (.) Can this be arranged query

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RESTRICTED

SI-124/10

To: 5 ARMY

Date 30 1730 B

From M.E.I.A.

30 INT D

SA 3514

CONFIDENTIAL (.) Lieut. DI PALMA HIMALDO of your Italian liaison section is requested for important duties in connection with training of Italian Artillery for which good English speakers essential (.) Will you release query

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Int Copy - Capt. Selby.

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Gruppi.

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Army Sub Commission, MMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
17 Aug 44.

To: Major O. FIELDMAN,
MMIA LO
c/o C.M.T.C.

Major MARJORIBANKS-EGERTON ++

Attached is a copy of IMT's letter on the above subject. Please hand on in due course to Officer Commanding B.I.U.

tvs.JAD.

Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

++ to await arrival.

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Gruppi

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SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/55/MT1

24 Aug 44

Colonel S.C.W.T. Rea,
c/o CMTC, CMF

1. Supervision of the training of the six Italian Gruppi at present being formed is the responsibility of this Directorate.

2. You will supervise and co-ordinate the training of these Gruppi under the Director of Military Training.

3. In order to carry out these instructions you will, from time to time, visit the British Schools at which courses for the Italians are being held. Included are:-

CMTC - Weapon Training School
Signals School
EIGHTH Army Training Team - COLLI FERRO.
SME

4. You will be responsible to this Directorate for the training within the Gruppi, that is to say,

(a) supervision of the instruction given in the cadres held;

(b) such tactical training as may be necessary in view of the characteristics of the British weapons issued;

(c) supervision of driving and maintenance training teams, etc.

5. To assist you in this, in addition to the officers on the establishment of each HLU, who will take instructions on training matters from you, there will be a training increment attached to each HLU for such period of time as may be necessary to ensure that the Gruppi are adequately trained for their operational role.

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6. You will report progress in training fortnightly, and refer all matters of policy to this Directorate.

7. Any requests you may wish to make of the Italian Army, will be made through the MMLA representative with each Gruppo.

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5. To assist you in this, in addition to the officers on the establishment of each ELU, who will take instructions on training matters from you, there will be a training increment attached to each ELU for such period of time as may be necessary to ensure that the Gruppi are adequately trained for their operational role.

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6. You will report progress in training fortnightly, and refer all matters of policy to this Directorate.

7. Any requests you may wish to make of the Italian Army, will be made through the AMLA representative with each Gruppo.

8. Administrative matters are dealt with by the ELU and are not your responsibility.

9. You will establish your Headquarters in SAN GIORGIO, map ref 729741 (sheet 173 BENEVENTO 1/50,000.) Your serial number is 303.

Ralph Hutchinson Lt Col
for Brig.,
D.M.T.

JAH/ac

Copy to: AFHQ (4) CMTC (3) SME CMF School of Sigs.
AAI (4) EIGHTH Army Trg Team COLLI FERRO.
AMLA (with 6 spare copies, 1 for each ELU)

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Copy

Subject:- Training of Italian Signallers.

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

CSO AMR (2)

Ref your letter X16ME 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 DW
" F
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S/Board 10 Line
Fullerphone
Superposing Unit - 1 Trans.
ACL No. 2
ACL No. 3
Cable D III 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	O.Rs	8 (incl 1 L.M.)	-	-	8
					10
(c) L.M.s	O.Rs	1	3	-	4

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

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

In all cases the following aspects have been covered:- 1581

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

The remainder of the equipment detailed in AAI letter 24.85X15 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.)

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 threw free certain additional British instructors.

Yes.

4. Among the 37 CREPT 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. PIDSLEY 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 CREPT. It is stressed that it is essential that every effort be made to send Italian Signallers on these courses.

Yes. Lill S.M.R.E. WP

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

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(Sgd) C.C. [redacted]
Lt. Colonel
Commandant.

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DMT AHQ
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FROM DMT ADNAP 31800B

TO MMIA

INFO FREEDOM FOR G-3 TRG(B)

AAI CEMTRAC

QQY GR 41BT

DMT/126

RESTRICTED(.) REF YOUR SD 1348 DATED 28 AUG(.)

FURTHER COURSES ARRANGED ITALIAN REGTL INSTRUCTORS AT CMTC ON PL WEAPONS AND THREE INCH MORTARAKML LEGNANO and FULGORE.

COURSE DATES 21SEP TO 120CT(.) STUDENTS ASSEMBLE 19 SEP(.) NUMBERS OF STUDENTS AS ON PRESENT COURSES

BT 1745

RPTNS NR 371//// ~~369/374 3 1~~ DTG 311800B IMI 311800B

~~G-3 GR 41 DMT/126 SD1348 28 21 12 19 1745~~

SENT DG BB

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5/a/29/10

29 Aug

Telefriut

From:- SMRE, Training Branch.

To:- Comet Sardegna for onward transmission to Comando Div ⊙
Comit Campania for onward transmission to Friuli Div ⊙
Comit Puglie Lucania ⊙
SMRE, Uffici Segr. Pers. Servizi & Transport
for information:-
M M/A —
M of W ⊙

Ref: M° 251/A 12/MOD.
Date:- 29 Aug 44.

Please amend letter 220/A/12 dated 26 Aug 44 as follows ⊙ Personnel for Mobile W/Shop of Div.: 20 Fitters in of the semi-trailer instead of 19 ⊙ In platoon W/Shop: 8 Fitters instead of 7 ⊙ All personnel will have to be at the school a day prior to the beginning of the course ⊙ 4 in 5 interpreters should be sent to each course instead of 2 ⊙ SMRE will telestramb 12002808 44.

Sgt FOWKE.

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TELESCRITTO (in partenza)

AT COMIT SARDEGNA P.M. 50
AT COMILIT PUGLIE E LUCANIA P.M. 67
AT COMILIT CAMPANIA P.M. 120
AT DIVISIONE FRIULI P.M. 79
AT DIVISIONE CREMONA P.M. 64
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AT S.M. - " " Trasporti (" ")

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AT M.M.I.A. -Sottocommissione per l'Esercito ROMA (" ")
AT M.G. DIRRZ.GEN. LEVA SOTT. E TRUPPA (" ")

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PRESENTE EST DIRETTO COMIT SARDEGNA PER SE' ET SUCCESSIVO INOLTRE DIVISIONE CREMONA ALT COMIT CAMPANIA PER SE' ET SUCCESSIVO INOLTRO DIVISIONE FRIULI ALT COMIT PUGLIE LUCANIA ALT STAMAGGIORE UFFICI SEGRETERIA PERSONALE SERVIZI ET TRASPORTI ET PER CONOSCENZA ALLA M.M.I.A. SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO ET MINISTERO GUERRA DIREZIONE GENERALE LEVA SOTTUFFICIALI ET TRUPPA ALT STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO N° 354/All/Aso ALT PREGASI APPORTARE SEGUENTI VARIANTI FOGLIO 220/A/12 DATA 26 CORRENTE ALT PERSONALE PER OFFICINA MOBILE DIVISIONALE VENTI MECCANICI DI AUTOMEZZI AUT MESTIERI AFFINI ANZICHE' DICIANNOVE ALT PER PLOTONE OFFICINA MECCANICI DI AUTOMEZZI OTTO ANZICHE' SETTE

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AT DIVISIONE CREMONA P.M. 64
AT S.M. -Ufficio Segr.e Pers. (a mano)
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AT S.M. - " " Trasporti (" ")

C.P.U.

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Div. 2a 29/8

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IL COLONNELLO [illegible]
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
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ARMY FORM C 2196 (Small) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No.

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNAL'S USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator | Date Time of Origin

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For Action

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(W) For Information (INFO)

Office Date Stamp. 30 10.

Message Instructions | GR —

Originator's No.

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For Action

TO RAOC TRAINING ESTABLISHMENT

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions | OR —

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS (EXCEPT WIRELESS)

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

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MESSAGE FORM.

Date TOO
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To: AFHQ Info: AAI LMT CMTC

S/C/X0/10

From: MMIA.

SD 1948 SECRET (*) Reference conversation MMIA - LMT one further course at CMTC for Italian Regtl Instructors is considered necessary (*) For reasons of time and administration and training value it is essential that this should follow present course that is should begin 23 September (*) Request urgently therefore that this course be allotted to Italian Army and not the October course which would be of very little value (*) Would appreciate an early decision

May be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except ( ) wireless.

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FROM CRTC 271300 B

TO MMIA

BQK CRIE BT

G407. RESTRICTED, ONE [redacted] FURTHER INTERPRETER URGENTLY REQUIRED TO COMPLETE NUMBER ORIGINALLY AGREED FOR WEAPON TRG SCHOOL

BT

RPTN ~~2 PIP~~ ~~C A I C~~ ~~271300~~ ~~18~~ ~~G407~~

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Groups.

Army Sub Commission, MMLA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.
3/G/29/10
27 Aug 44.

To: Major C. FIELDMAN,
MMLA LO
c/o C.M.T.C.

Major MARJORIBANKS-EGERTON ++

Attached is a copy of MMLA's letter on the above subject. Please hand on in due course to Officer Commanding B.L.U.

tvn.JAD.

L. Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

++ to await arrival.

S/6/29/10
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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Gruppi

SECRET

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/55/MT1

24 Aug 44

Colonel S.C.W.W. Rea,
c/o CMTC, CMF

1. Supervision of the training of the six Italian Gruppi at present being formed is the responsibility of this Directorate.

2. You will supervise and co-ordinate the training of these Gruppi under the Director of Military Training.

3. In order to carry out these instructions you will, from time to time, visit the British Schools at which courses for the Italians are being held. Included are:-

CMTC - Weapon Training School
Signals School
EIGHTH Army Training Team - COLLI FERRO.
CMF

4. You will be responsible to this Directorate for the training within the Gruppi, that is to say,

(a) supervision of the instruction given in the cadres held;

(b) such tactical training as may be necessary in view of the characteristics of the British weapons issued;

(c) supervision of driving and maintenance training teams, etc.

5. To assist you in this, in addition to the officers on the establishment of each ELU, who will take instructions on training matters from you, there will be a training increment attached to each ELU for such period of time as may be necessary to ensure that the Gruppi are adequately trained for their operational role.

6. You will report progress in training fortnightly, and refer all matters of policy to this Directorate.

7. Any requests you may wish to make of the Italian Army, will be made through the MLLA representative with each Gruppo.

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8. Administrative matters are dealt with by the BLU and are not your responsibility.

9. You will establish your Headquarters in SAN GIORGIO, map ref 729741 (sheet 173 BENEVENTO 1/50,000.) Your serial number is 303.

Ralph Hutchinson Lt Col
AAG Br I Sc,
D.M.T.

JAH/ac

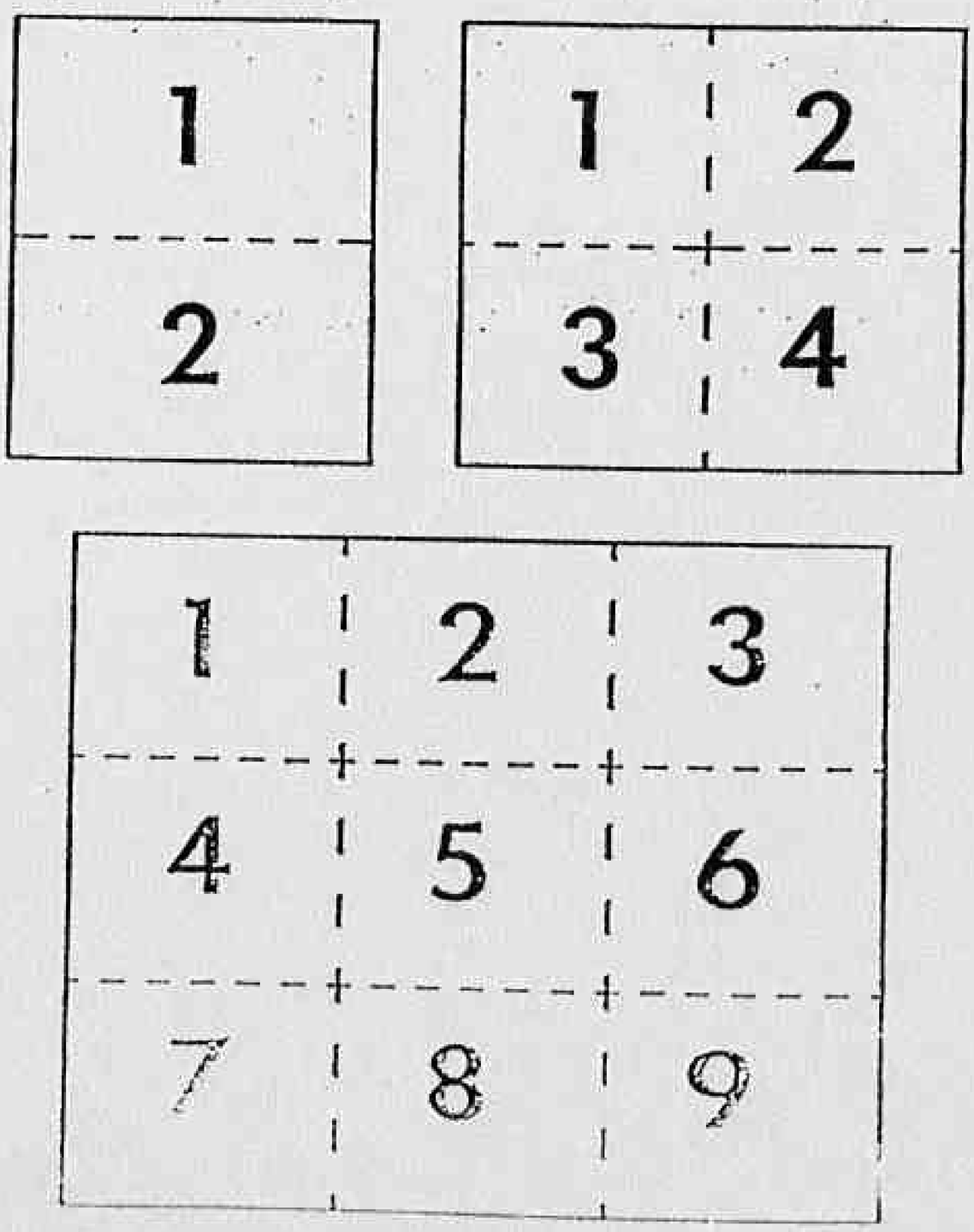
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AAI (4) EIGHTH Army Trg Team COLLI FERRO.
MMLA (with 6 spare copies, 1 for each BLU)

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Date	Place	Arm	Subject	Students Offrs.	Students OR.	
28 Aug - 16 Sep.	8 Army School of Artillery	Artillery	25 pdr. 17 pdr. 40 mm	12 6 12	22 4 8	Regtl In train of
		Infantry	6 pdr.	12	22	
23 Aug - 16 Sep.	C.M.T.C. BENEVENTO	Infantry	Inf Weapons. 3" Mortars Tactics	20 18 12	50 22	Regtl In some to It is he similar Senior o Junior
19 Aug - 3 Sept.	School of Signals. LAURA, ROLA.	Signals.	Signals Equipment.	14	30	All Sigs sch follow. Signals arrives (Rome
19 Aug - 18 Sep. 10 Sep - 25 Sep.	School of military engineering. "	Engineers. "	Mine Warfare Bailey Bridging Field Plant Maintenance.	18	36 15	Key pers "
14 Aug - 2 Sep. 4 Sep - 23 Sep	RAOC Treining Establishment FONTECAGNANO. "	Ordnance. "	Work of an Ordnance Field Park. " " " "	7 7	112 112	All pers All pers
26 Aug - 9 Sep. 11 Sep - 23 Sep.	" "	Various "	Handling & Identification of ammunition. " " "		17 17	Specialis Arty Engr Specialis Arty Engr
21 Aug - 2 Sep	School of A & GE SCAFATI.	Artillery	Fitters, gun.	-	24	Fitters
4 Sep - 16 Sep	1 ADM TOR KAPIENZA	Mech	Workshop & LAD Equipment	2	50	FIUUI DI

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COURSES

Arm	Subject	Students Offrs	Students ORs	REMARKS
Artillery	25 pdr.	12	22	Regtl Instructors for FRIULI and CREMONA to train other Grupps afterwards.
	17 pdr.	6	4	
	40 mm	12	8	
Infantry	6 pdr.	12	22	
Infantry	Inf Weapons.	20	50	Regtl Instructors for FRIULI and CREMONA
	3" Mortar	18	22	same to continue for other Grupps.
				It is hoped that CMTC will be able to fit in
				similar courses to follow for CIL Groups.
	Tactics	12		Senior offrs who act as observers on Brit Junior Leaders Course.
Sig. Signals.	Signals Equipment.	14	30	All Sig personnel of FRIULI and Italian Sig school. Similar course for CREMONA to follow. CIL Groups to be trained at Italian Signals School if British equipment for it arrives in time. If not, CIL will follow CREMONA at British school.
Engineers.	Mine Warfare Bailey Bridging	18	36	Key personnel for 6 Grupps.
"	Field Plant Maintenance.		15	" " " " " " .
Ordnance.	Work of an Ordnance Field Park.	7	112	All personnel of FRIULI OFP
"	" " " "	7	112	All personnel of CREMONA OFP.
Various	Handling & Identification of ammunition.		17	Specialist personnel from Supply Coy, Inf and Arty Regts of FRIULI.
"	" " "		17	Specialist personnel from Supply Coy, Inf and Arty Regts of CREMONA.
A/Tk Artillery	Fitters, gun.	-	24	Fitters Gun of FRIULI. Others to follow. CREMONA CIL Group 18 for 2 wks.
Mech	Workshop & LAD Equipment	2	50	FRIULI Div. From Group Workshops: - 1 offr, 20 Veh Mechs, 10 Gun fitters. From LADs - 8 veh mechs, 4 gun fitters.

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26 Aug - 9 Sep.	"	Various	Handling & Identification of ammunition.	17		Special Arty Re
11 Sep - 23 Sep.	"	"	" " "	17		Special Arty Re
21 Aug - 2 Sep	School of E & ME SCAFATI.	Artillery	Fitters, gun.	-	24	Fitters
4 Sep -16 Sep	1 AEM TOR SAPIENZA	Mech	Workshop & LAD Equipment	2	50	DITTO
11 Sep - 23 Sep.	12 AEM BOLFETTA	"	" " "	2	50	DITTO C.I.L.
12 Sep - 19 Sep	RASC Trg Depot MOLA	Supply & Transport Coy.	Maintenance & Convoy Duties.	6	24	Key M.T. Coys.
22 Sep - 29 Sep	" " "	" " "	" "	6	24	
1 Oct - 8 Oct	" " "	" " "	" "	6	24	
11 Oct - 18 Oct	" " "	" " "	" "	6	24	

COURSES TO BE ARRANGED.

Supply Company Composite Platoons will be trained by means of attachments to PIOs etc.

A joint R.A.S.C. - ORDNANCE Course is being arranged by MELA for Quartermasters in Method To take place for each Group in the Concentration Area.

APM AAI is arranging for training of Ca rabinieri attached to Group H.Q. and L of C.

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Various		Handling & Identification of ammunition.		17	Specialist personnel from Supply Coy, Inf and Arty Regts of FRIULI.
"		" " "		17	Specialist personnel from Supply Coy, Inf and Arty Regts of CREMONA.
Artillery		Fitters, gun.	-	24	Fitters Gun of FRIULI. Others to follow. CREMONA Ord C Engr 18 for 3 wks.
Mech		Workshop & LAD Equipment	2	30	FRIULI Div. From Group Workshops: 1 offr, 20 Veh Mechs, 10 Gun Fitters. From LADs - 6 veh mechs, 4 gun fitters. From Mech Engineers - 1 offr, Platoon (Supply Coy) - 8 veh mechs.
"	"	" "	2	30	DITTO for CREMONA. Similar courses to follow for C.I.L. Groups.
Supply & Transport Coy.		Maintenance & Convoy Duties.	6	24	Key N.C. personnel of FRIULI and CREMONA Supply Coys. Courses for C.I.L. to follow.
"	"	"	6	24	
			6	24	Engineer Platoon
				24	

Platoons will be trained by means of attachments to Div's etc.
ORDNANCE Course is being arranged by MMIA for Quartermasters in Methods of Supply.
Mech Group in the Concentration Area.

for training of Ca re blinded attached to Group H.Q. and L of C.

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FROM DMT ADNAP 231200B
TO MMIA FOR PIDSLEY
QQX GR 16
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LRMD V LRMY NR 206 "P" IMPORTANT

FROM DMT ADNAP 141200E

TO MMIA

QCX GR 13

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DMT/901

RESTRICTED (.) IF ADDITIONAL COURSES AT CNTC OR OTHER SCHOOLS FOR ITALIAN GRPS ARE REQUIRED REQUEST EARLIEST NOTIFICATION

BT

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CON ITALIAN GPS IMI GPS

SENT NR 206 14/~~1729~~ 1929 E DM D GA

RECD NR 3 14/~~1729~~ 1929 B J F G K K

M.M.I.A. FILE REF 6/29/1 Date Rec'd 15/8/44

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LRH: V LRHY NR131
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FROM DNT ADRIAT 2012GMD
TO CENTBAC
INFO-MMIA FOR PIDSLEY
QUX UNIT OF
DNT/SS4
RESTRICTED (.) YOUR S.375 OF 16 AUG (.) CONFIRMED DATE SHOULD READ 16 SEP (.) MMIA PLEASE INFO ITALIANS
DT 1345
SENT NR131 1400D WLS AR K

TEGD NR 131 1402 B AAA AR

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MESSAGE FORM

Feb 24/60

CALL IN
INSTRUC-TIONS OUT

Serial No. 211

TO MMIA

FROM ADJ CMTC

ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Date 17

Feb Reference the party of interpreters who are coming to CMTC tomorrow they must bring with them a complete field kit. Record for Major BRATTO No Medical staff is required. Ref to Thirty Platoon of 2 NCOS and 16 men required NOT repeat NOT 20

This Message May Be SENT AS WRITTEN
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@ (Cross)

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Signed

It Useful to be Accepted at all
Are Always Busy, this Message
Must Be Sent IN CLEAR

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COMBAT GROUPS

COURSES

Dates	Place	Arm	Subject	STUDENTS Offrs	O.R.s	REMARKS
28 Aug - 16 Sep	S Army School of Artillery - COLLEFERRO	Artillery	25 pdr	12	22	Regtl Instructors for FRIULI & CREMONA,
			17 pdr	6	4	
			40mm	12	8	[illegible] to train other
		Infantry	6 pdr	12	22	Gruppi afterwards.
18 Aug - 22 Aug	C.M.T.C. BENEVENTO		Interpreters duties	11	-	Preliminary to Infantry Courses
23 Aug - 16 Sep	C.M.T.C. BENEVENTO	Infantry	Inf Weapons	20	50)	Regtl Instructors for FRIULI & CREMONA, some to continue for other Gruppi.
			3" Mortar	18	22)	
			Tactics	12	-	Senior Offrs who act as observers on Brit Junior Leaders Course
19 Aug - 2 Sep	School of Signals LAURO, NOLA	Signals	Signals Equipment	14	30	All Sigs personnel of FRIULI. Similar course for CREMONA to follow.
19 Aug - 18 Sep	School of Military Engineering	Engineers	Mine Warfare	18	36	Key personnel for 6 Gruppi
			Bailey Bridging			
10 Sep - 25 Sep	"	"	Field Plant Maintenance		15	
14 Aug - 2 Sep	RAOC Training Establishment PONTECAGNANO	Ordnance	Work of an Ordnance Field Park	7	112	All personnel of FRIULI GFP
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11 Sep - 23 Sep	"	"	"			Specialist personnel

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	BENEVENTO	Infantry	3" Mortar	18	50) 22)))	Regtl Instructors for FRIULI & CREMONA, some to continue for other Gruppi.
			Tactics	12	-	Senior Offrs who act as observers on Brit Junior Leaders Course
19 Aug - 2 Sep	School of Signals LAURA, NOLA	Signals	Signals Equipment	14	30	All Gp Sigs personnel of FRIULI. Similar course for CREMONA to follow
19 Aug - 18 Sep	School of Military Engineering	Engineers	Mine Warfare) Bailey Bridging)	18	36	Key personnel for 6 Gruppi
19 Sep - 25 Sep	"	"	Field Plant Maintenance		15	"
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21 Aug - 2 Sep	School of E & ME SCANATI	Artillery Fitters gun		-	24	Fitters Gun of FRIULI. Others to follow

Courses being arranged :- By REME Br AAI for personnel of Group Workshops)
By AFM AAI for Carabinieri attached to Group HQ

By DAT MMIA for key personnel of Supply Coy, Engrs & Signals to commence 11 Sept, finishing 21 Sept.

21 Aug 1944

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SUBJECT: Conference - The Italian Army

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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

15/G/29

DMT/55/MTI

14 Aug 44

M.M.I.A. G
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HQ MMIA, CMF

A copy of HQ CMTC letter CMTC/41/G dated 10 Aug 44 is forwarded herewith for your information.

The Italian Army
Seen WP

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J. Lay Lieut-Colonel
for Brig.,
D.M.T.

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Subject:- Conference - Trg Italian Army

HQ CM Trg Centre,
CMF
CMTC/41/G

10 Aug 44

DMT, CMF

Copy to:- Comd Tac School
Comd Weapon Trg School
Adm Comd.

Ref your DMT/55/MT1 dated 9 Aug and discussion between DMT and Comd CMTC on evening of 9 Aug.

1. CMTC will be prepared to receive the Italian Liaison Officers and Interpreters on 16 Aug, and Students w.e.f. 23 Aug.

If 3 days is considered sufficient for the interpreters (see para 5 of DMT letter) then it is suggested that they report at CMTC on afternoon of 19 Aug (date of dispersal of BRIT students). This would simplify adm aspects of reception and accommodation. In detail the following would then arrive afternoon of 19.

3 Cols 1 other offr. 1 office orderly (with typewriter) 1 G.D. orderly	) para 11(b)i of minutes of meeting at CMTC dated 5 Aug refers.
Interpreters 10 Liaison Officer 1	
Total - 17.	

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3. The Training officers who are to act as observer-students on JLW course will be expected on 26 Aug for attendance at course starting 28 Aug and ending 16 Sep.

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5. It will be unnecessary to send British Students away before current courses are completed. It is hoped that all formations concerned have been notified that the next Platoon Weapons and 3" Mortar courses for British Students have been cancelled.

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It would cause adm difficulties and inconvenience if British Students through misunderstandings arrive on the usual joining dates for these two courses.

6. As Regards the Mission and Training Team. Col REA has today left for HQ AAI to interview Brig STAYNER (SD & T), MAIA and Dep Mil Sec.

7. Major J.A. GRIBBLE, LF, is recommended as suitable to 1567
the post of Major Instructor Infantry in the Training Team.

He is just completing his tour of duty as instructor in JLW Tac School and will be available. It is considered that his posting to any other employment or as an Inf Reinforcement might be deferred until such time as this impending training commitment has been met.

Being so intimately concerned with the JLW syllabus and training, he would be most suitable to supervise and conduct the team of Italian Training Officers who are to attend the next JLW course as observer-students, and thereafter to be one of the team with the Italian formations.

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His employment in this way would greatly simplify the co-ordination of the instruction and training, and ensure continuity from the very start. Since CMTC, under DMT's direction, has a big responsibility in respect of this training, I feel I can justifiably request that this appointment be made and I recommend it for favourable consideration.

(Sgd) C.S.Rawstorne,
Brig.,
Comd CM Trg Centre.

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D I S P A C C I O

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Data Trasc. 19/8/44

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA (telescritto) -P.M. 120-
ALL'UFFICIO SEGR. E PERS. S.M.R.E. (a mano) -S E D E -
(Rif. suo 174/SP/4 data 1608)

e, per conoscenza:
ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione
per l'Esercito (a mano) -R O M A -
(Rif. suo S/G/29/9 data 17/8/44)
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (cifra) -P.M. 50 -

STAMAGGIORE ADDESTRAMENTO N. 135 ADD ALT PRESENTE EST DIRETTO AT COMILIT CAMPANIA VIRGOLA AT UFFICIO PERSONALE STAMAGGIORE ET PER CONOSCENZA COMILIT SARDEGNA ALT SEGUITO NOSTRO 103/ADD DATA 1508 ALT CORSO AVRA' LUOGO AT SCAFATI PRESSO SCUOLA GENIO INGLESE ET AVRA' DURATA QUINDICI GIORNI ALT UFFICIO PERSONALE STAMAGGIORE COMANDI UN UFFICIALE INTERPRETE OLTRE I DUE GIA' COMANDATI ALT PERSONALE DEVE RAGGIUNGERE SCUOLA ENTRO ORE 16 DEL 20 CORRENTE PORTANDO SECO ARMAMENTO INDIVIDUALE VIRGOLA EQUIPAGGIAMENTO VIRGOLA COPERTE VIRGOLA PAGLIERICCI VIRGOLA ET TUTE ET DOVRA' ESSERE VETTOVAGLIATO AT TUTTO IL 20 STESSO ALT ASSICURARE ALT STAMAGGIORE

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P. C. C.
IL COLONNELLO IN S.S.M.
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO
P.G. Ferrari -

135/ADD. Remarks to our 103/ADD dated Aug 15 & The course will take place at Scafati at English Eng School & will last 15 days. SMPE Personnel officers only. Interpreter officer beside the two already ordered & Personnel must reach School by 1600 hrs of 20th inst bringing individual armament, equipment, blankets, mattress (cover), kit utensils and must be fed up to the 20th. Local Command.

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FROM CMTC 161450 B

TO DMT ADNAP

INFO MMIA FOR PIDSLEY

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ENCLOSURE THAT LETTER•

PARA 2 LINE 6 SHOULD READ ~~CORRECT~~ COURSES FROM

23 AUG TO 16 SEP• CONFIRM

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Subject:- Training of Ground Cl Combatants

Army Pab Commission (NWEA)
HQ ACC
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HE 18/1
5 Aug 44.

S M E E
cc/ Chief Engineer, AAI
Commandant, Engineer Training Establishment

Ref my HE 18/1 dated 31 Jul, herewith further instructions concerning the courses for Italian Students at the British School of Military Engineering, CMTH.

Numbers

(1) The following will report to Commandant, British School of Military Engineering by 1200 hrs 19 Aug for training in Mine Warfare and Bailey Bridging:-

One officer and two NCO's from each of 51, 18, 10 and 79 Artiere Coys.
Twelve NCO's from X Raggruppamento del Genio.

Their training will finish 18 Sept.

(2) The following will report to Commandant, British School of Military Engineering by 1200 hrs 10 Sept for training in Field Plant Maintenance:-

Fifteen Junior NCO's from X Raggruppamento del Genio.

Their training will finish 25 Sept.

Interpreters

(3) Three interpreters will be provided by X Raggruppamento del Genio for the period 19 Aug - 25 Sept.

Accomodation

(4) All students will be accomodated in the School of Military Engineering buildings.

Personal Kit

(5) Each student will bring with him the following personal items:-

Mosquito Net (where possible)
Bedding
Plates, knife, fork, cup.
Water bottle.

(6)

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(6) All necessary working clothes will be brought by students.

Pay

(7) Students will be paid before attending the course.

Rations

(8) Officers will bring rations.

Rations

(9) Students will be rationed under British arrangements.

(10) Four Italian cooks will accompany the students for the period 19 Aug - 25 Sept.

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Discipline/.....

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SUBJECT: Courses of Instruction

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Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
ROME
TS/X/141
15 AUG 44

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SMRE

Reference courses of instruction for members of the FRIULI Division herewith instructions for joining the British School of Signals at LAURO CASTLE LAURO near NOLA.

1. Interpreters to report to the school on Friday 18th Aug (Four interpreters or more if they can be found).

2. The Senior Interpreter Officer to be responsible to Col RAVAGLI for the administration and discipline of the students and interpreters at the school.

3. Students to arrive on Saturday 19 Aug.

Instructors for the Italian School of Signals	2 officers	8 other ranks
Engineer/Signals	5 "	9 " "
Royal Artillery	5 "	9 " "
Infantry	2 "	9 " "
Instrument Mechanics (Radio Montatore)		6 " "

(This a reduction in the number orginally agreed)

4. Two 3 ton trucks are required to help out the schools small allotment of motor transport.

5. Students and Interpreters to be in possession of pencils and notebooks.

6. Personal Equipment to be carried. (That is blankets, Camp bed (officers) Mess tins or plates, knives, forks, spoons, washing and shaving kit etc).

7. Senior interpreter officer to carry complete nominal rolls in triplicate for the Signal School copy of nominal roll to this HQ.

8. At the moment no Italian Administrative personnel are required as the students will be accomodated within the school although it may be rather crowded.

Lt Colonel
major

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Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

CGL.

Copies to: CSO AFHQ (for attention Maj Beary)
CSO AAI
DMT AFHQ
PA AAI (for attention Maj Dehn)
MMIA (for info Col Pidsley)
Commandant R. Sigs School

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Date Time
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To: C.M.T.C. Info: DEF AIRHQ

From: MMTA.

SD 1305 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Reference your ~~TEF~~/900 of 13 AUG following arrangements have been made by Italians (*) ONE (*) Col ~~Battaglia~~ RAVAGLI and two other Colonels and one junior officer or interpreter with orderlies will report MERIVENTO 1700 hrs 16 AUG (*) TWO (*) 11 (11) interpreters will arrive 18 AUG (*) THREE (*) 90 (90) officers 72 (72) NCO interpreters a ml duty platoon will arrive by 1600 hrs 22 rpt 22 AUG (*) FOUR (*) If duty platoon required before 22 August Col ~~BATTAGLIA~~ RAVAGLI can make arrangements direct with FRIULI Div (*) FIVE (*) our letter in post ratified as above reference interpreters

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Sgt_____ Sgt_____

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Translation

From: SMRE Ref: 8699/SP.2.20.
To: M of W. Dat: 12.8.44.

Subject: Reorganization of combattant forces

R: MMIA's S/G/29/10 dated 8th inst.

MMIA has requested that a liaison section should join the CMTC (Benevento) on the 16th inst.

The Section will be formed by:

One Col. (Reg. Arty Col. RAVAGLI, Mario has already been nominated)
One Junior Interpreter officer.
One typist (with typewriter)
One Orderly.
One driver (with car)

As Junior Interpreter 2nd Lt. BOUTET, Rodolfo, 1904 class, resident in Rome, via Lucrezia Caro 50, is suggested as he has already been tested for English and passed satisfactorily by the SMRE.

The Ministry is requested to make urgent arrangements for the transfer of the a/b personnel (with the exception of the driver and car which will be supplied by the Services Dept. of the SMRE) to CMTC (Benevento) and to have them sent to the strength of the SMRE's HQ. 1360

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MMIA is informed that a separate Order deals with the 2 lots referred to in para 5 of their a/m letter.

(Sgd) Gen. SANTI

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STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
Ufficio segreteria e pe onale

URGENTE

N° 8699 SP.2 di prot. P.M.151, lì 12 agosto 1944

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OGGETTO: riorganizzazione delle forze combattenti.-

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- dir.gen.pers.ufficiali P.M. 107

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- dir.gen.leva sottuff. e truppa P.M. 107

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Gabinetto- Uff. mov.colonnelli P.M. 107

M.M.I.A - SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO
H.Q. - A.C.C.
(rif.f.n° S/G/29/10 dell'8 c.m.) R O M A

ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI DELLO S.M.R.E. S E D E
ALL'UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO DELLO S.M.R.E. S E D E
AL QUARTIER GENERALE DELLO S.M.R.E. S E D E

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La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito A.C.C. ha chiesto che una sezione di collegamento raggiunga il C.M.T.C. (Benevento) il giorno 16 corrente.

Dovranno far parte di detta sezione:

- un colonnello (é già stato designato il col.di artiglieria s.p.e RAVAGLI Mario)
- un ufficiale inferiore interprete
- un dattilografo (con macchina da scrivere)
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- un autiere (con autovettura).

Quale ufficiale inferiore interprete si segnala il tenente ftr.compl. BOUTET Rodolfo - cl. 1904 - residente in R via Lucrezio Caro 50, che ha sostenuto presso questo S.M. il pre to esame di lingua inglese con esito favorevole.

Si prega codesto Ministero di voler provvedere u gente avviamento del personale predetto (ad eccezione dell'au con autovettura per il quale provvederà direttamente l'uffic si di questo S.M.) al C.M.T.C. (Benevento) al trasferimento

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Per la M.M.I.A. si fa presente che, con ordine s é stata disposta la presentazione dei due colonnelli, come ric al punto 5° del foglio al quale si fa riferimento.-

IL GENERALE ADDE
-Alessandro Sanci-

P.C.C.
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(Roberto Griglio)

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Date Time
14 1235 B

To: C.M.P.C. Info: DIV ADMIN

From: MIL.

SD 1335 (*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) Reference yesn MIL/503 of 13 AUG following arrangements have been made by Nations (*) CDN (*) Col RAVALET and two other Columbia/with orderlies will report and one junior of fr interpreter RENDEZVOUS 1700 hrs 16 AUG (*) TWO (*) 22 (22) interpreters will arrive 16 AUG (*) THREE (*) 50 (50) officers 72 (72) NCO interpreters a ml duty platoon will arrive by 1400 hrs 22 apt 22 AUG (*) FOUR (*) 2f duty platoon required before 22 August Col RAVALET can make arrangements direct with FRENCH Div (*) FIVE (*) our letter in post notified on above reference interpreters

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Sgt [redacted] Sgt [redacted]

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FROM D.M.T. ADNAP 131206

FROM

TO MMIA

INFO CNE// CENTRAC

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DMT/900

CONFIDENTIAL (.) CNTC PREPARED RECEIVE LO'S AND INTERPRETERS 16 AUG AND STUDENTS 23 AUG (.) REPORT CNTC REPEATED DMT FIRM DATES (.) OUTBREAK PARATYPHOID BENEVENTO (.) UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ALL PROCEEDING BENEVENTO MUST HAVE HAD PROTECTIVE TAB INOCULATION WITHIN LAST 6 MONTHS — Order already issued by PMDMS

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SUBJECT: Training of Italian Infantry & Artillery

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Army Sub Commission, AMIA.
H.Q., A.C.C.

NOTE.

S/G/29/10
14 Aug 44.

To: HQ AAI
DMT
CMIC
8Th. Army School of Artillery, COLLEFERRO.
Col. MEA.
Maj. UEHH.

1. Confirming arrangements described in DMT/55/MT.1 of 8 August, the attached is a translation of the letter issued on this subject by the Italian General Staff.

2. Attention is drawn to para. 6.

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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S.c.
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TRANSLATION

From: S.M.R.L. Draft: 6[illegible]

To : Circular. Date: [illegible]. 8. 44.

SUBJECT: Training Courses on British Material.

1. In order to train officers and senior NCOs in the knowledge and use of some of the material employed by the Allied Armies, the following courses will be held, as explained hereunder, with a view to forming a group of instructors.

On completion of the courses it will be possible to establish training centres at each Division: -

2. INFANTRY: Courses on Infantry Arms.

Will comprise: -

- course on platoon arms.
- " " 3" mortar.
- " for senior offrs as guide to training. Courses will be held simultaneously .. 23rd of August to 12th 16th September.

Platoon Arms Courses.

Will be attended by 20 offrs and 50 NCOs as follows -

CREMONA DIV: 9 offrs 25 NCOs of which
3 " 8 " will be supplied by the FRIULI Div.

FRIULI DIV : 9 " 25 " of which
3 " 8 " to be supplied by the MANTOVA Div.

2 Cols to be appointed by S.M.R.L.

On completion of courses the 70 instructors will then be allotted: -

- 30 to each of the two Divs "CREMONA" and "FRIULI" where a suitable training centre will be established.
- 2 Cols with 2 junior offrs and 6 NCOs at the disposal of SMRE (for inspection duties.)

Courses on 3" mortar.

Will be attended by 16 offrs and 22 NCOs divided as follows:

CREMONA Div 8 subs and 11 NCOs of which

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2 Cols to be appointed by S.M.E.

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FRIULI Div 3 " " 3 " to be supplied by the PICENO Div.

8 " " 11 " of which
3 " " 3 " to be supplied by the MANTOVA Div.

2 offrs (1 Col and 1 jun offr) from other units will be appointed by S/RE.

On completion of course the 40 instructors will be thus allotted:

- 16 to each of the 2 Divs "CREMONA" and "FRIULI" for their respective training centres.

- 1 senior offr, 1 jun offr and 2 NCOs at disposal of S/RE for inspection duties.

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Sheet 2.

Tactics training course for senior offrs.

Has the aim of giving a guiding idea of how to adapt British tactics to Italian formations bearing in mind the particular type of armament.

- 2 Cols 10 senior offrs appointed by SMRE will attend this course as observers.

On completion of the course these officers will be temporarily attached to the Divs in order that they may impart the knowledge thus acquired.

3. ARTILLERY - Courses on Arty material.

Will comprise:

- course of inf offr (on 6 pdrs)
  " " Arty "
- refresher course for senior offr.

Course on 6 pdrs.

12 offrs and 22 NCOs will attend as follows: -

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Courses on 25 pdrs.

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1 " " to be appointed by SMRE.

Courses on 17 pdrs.

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CREMONA Div. — 3 jun offrs and 2 NCOs of which
1 " " will be supplied by PISTOIA Div.

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- refresher course for senior offr.

Courses on 6 pdrs.

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1 " " to be appointed by CMF.

Courses on 17 pdrs.

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FRIULI Div. — 3 jun offrs and 2 NCOs of which
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Courses on 40 mm Guns.

12 offrs and 6 NCOs will attend as follows: -

CREMONA Div — 6 jun offrs and 4 NCOs of which
1 " " " 1 " to be supplied by PICENO Div.
2 " " to be appointed by CMF.
6 " " and 4 NCOs of which
2 " " to be appointed by CMF.
1 " " and 1 NCO to be supplied by MANTOVA Div

FRIULI Div — Refresher tactical courses for senior offrs.

Instruction to be given at a later date.

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4. Courses on M.T.

Per guidance only Div H.Qs are warned that it is possible that the Allies may grant at a later date two squads 1 offr and 6 men each strong provided with diverse vehicles to train personnel of the Division in the use of M.T. with which Allied armies are equipped.

Orders will be issued in due course.

5. Interpreters.

Interpreter service will be ensured by units (under the command of Col. RAVALGI) to be stationed at the schools. (They will comprise 1 offr one typist, one typewriter, one orderly and one vehicle.)
During the courses: -

4 Interpreters for the 3" mortar course.
7 " " " platoon arms course.
will be attached to these units.

In the case of the remaining courses the following interpreters will be available: -

3 Interpreters for the 6-pdr course.
3 " " " 25-pdr "
1 " " " 17-pdr "
2 " " " 40 mm gun course.

All interpreters will be appointed by SHAEF.

6. Movement of Personnel.

Col. RAVALGI's Interpreter unit (interpreters excluded) together with the 2 cols of the Refresher Course on Tactics for senior offrs will reach BENEVENTO (CASTELLO) at 17.00 hrs., on August 16th inst.
H.Q. FRIULI Div will have ready two platoons of 20 men each for fatigue duties during the courses.
Movement will be arranged by SHAEF (tpt office) in agreement with H.Qs concerned.
Personnel (offrs and NCOs attending the courses, Interpreters and duty platoons) should arrive: -

- those for the two platoons arms course, 3" mortar course, and senior offr refresher course including one platoon of the FRIULI Div at BENEVENTO not later than 16.00 hrs., on August 22nd. Those arriving from SARDINIA will join the Mainland not later than August 20th.

- those for the Arty courses at COLLEFERRO on August 16th but the FRIULI Div platoons will reach COLLEFERRO on August 24th.

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During the courses personnel will be billeted and fed by the HQs of the British schools.

Orders for the remaining courses will be issued in due course.

H.Qs concerned are requested to make a very careful selection of the personnel to be sent on these courses.

Officers will all be Regulars, senior NCOs will be Regulars and Cp.s (not more than 1/3 of total of NCOs will be of the 1918 to 1924 classes).

Any deficiencies to be reported at once to the S.M.M.E.

a/d p. BERARDI.

P.S. All personnel will carry eating utensils(knife, spoon and fork, mug, plate)

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SUBJECT: Translation of Pamphlets.

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Army Sub Commission, M.M.I.A.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
11 Aug 44.

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To : S.M.R.E.

1. Herewith Artillery pamphlets to be translated complete or in part.

2. Drafts of the translation will be submitted before the final copies are printed.

3. If the translators have any special difficulties will they please send a note to M.M.I.A. for clarification.

4. Please return pamphlets when translation complete.

TO BE TRANSLATED COMPLETE.

(1) Maintenance Manual for the Ordnance QF 25 pdr.
(2) Maintenance Manual for Ordnance QF 6 pdr.
(3) Maintenance Manual for Ordnance QF 17 pdr Mark 1.
(4) Artillery Training Volume III Pamphlet 2.
(5) Artillery Training Vol III Pamphlet 6
(6) Artillery Training Vol III Pamphlet 7

TO BE TRANSLATED IN PART

(7) Artillery Training Vol III Pamphlet No. 5
To the end of Sect 7 ..... Ordered by the OP.

(8) Artillery Training Vol III Pamphlet No. 12
App III p 26, 27, 28.

for Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Notes on a Conference held at AFHQ on 8 Aug 44, and attended by the D.M.T., (Brig Kensington); Brig G-3 Org (Brig Napier); BGS, SD & T (Brig Stayner).

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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
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9 Aug 44

AFHQ
HQ AAI
MMIA
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D.M.T. agreed that the interpreters and students could be received at the CMFC on the dates mentioned above without unduly shortening the British courses; it being understood that the Italian interpreters would take three days to get installed and receive the normal opening addresses to explain the object of their training.

6. Brig Napier pointed out that agreement was still awaited from the Combined Chiefs of Staff for the project to be put into operation. It was, however, agreed to carry on with the appointing of personnel and such work as may be necessary to save essential time, in anticipation of a favourable decision. 1551

7. D.M.T. recommended Colonel MEA of the CMFC staff to be head of the training team, and to be appointed at once so that he can carry on with the necessary preparations at the CMFC, on his return from AFH, which he will visit at once.

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Brig.,
D.M.T.

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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
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10 Aug 44.

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MR.1
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G-3 Trg (Re) APHQ) (MR.3)

Copy to: RGS, SD & T, HQ AAI
MMIA

OFFICER POSTS

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and the missions will need training manuals to give them as much brushing up as is possible in the time, on up-to-date lines.

3. I think we must keep in daily touch with RA and RE and Sigs to see that all is ready by the time their Italian students arrive, so that the latter can start in on work at once, and lose no time through last-minute checks in preparation. I know that RA are getting no extra 25-prs for their students. I expect Colonel Springfield will have arranged instructional guns, but we must keep watch.

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A Clemenstone

Brig.,
D.M.T.

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MESSAGE FORM.

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From: AMIA

To : DMT ADHAP rptd; AAI.

SD 1284(*) CONFIDENTIAL (*) British training teams for Italian M.T. personnel of FRIULI Division discussed PIDNEY HALL will be required in S. GIORGIO area as soon after 22 Aug as vehicles can be made available by Q AE (*) Report situation so that Italian personnel can be made ready

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Addestramento

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P.M. 151

nº60 di prot.Add. [redacted], 10 agosto 1944.

OGGETTO: Corsi di addestramento sul materiale inglese.

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA = P.M. 120
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA = P.M. 50
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e,per conoscenza:
ALL'UFFICIO DI S.E.IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO SEDE
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II.= FANTERIA: CORSI SULLE ARMI DI FANTERIA.
Comprenderanno:

- corso sulle armi di plotone
- corso sul mortaio da 3 pollici
- corso informativo di [illegible]

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Svolgimento contemporaneo dal 23 agosto al 12 settembre.

Corso sulle armi di plotone:

Vi parteciperanno 20 ufficiali e 50 sottufficiali e graduati suddivisi come segue:

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Divisione Cremona: 9 uff.inf. - 25 sott.e graduati di cui:
3 uff.inf. e 8 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Piceno.

Divisione Friuli: 9 uff.inf. - 25 sott. e graduati di cui:
3 uff.inf. e 8 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Mantova.

2 colonnelli da designarsi da questo S.M.

Al termine del corso i 70 istruttori saranno così ripartiti:

- 30 a ciascuna delle due Divisioni Cremona e Friuli, ove sarà costituito apposito centro di addestramento;
- i 2 colonnelli con 2 uff.inf. e 6 sottuff.ograduati a disposizione di questo S.M. (per compiti di ispezione).

<u>Corso sul mortaio da 3 pollici</u>:

Vi parteciperanno 18 ufficiali e 22 sottufficiali e graduati così suddivisi:

Divisione Cremona: 8 uff.inf. e 11 sottufficiali di cui:
3 uff.inf. e 3 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Piceno;

Divisione Friuli: 8 uff.inf. e 11 sottufficiali di cui:
3 uff.inf. e 3 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Mantova.

2 ufficiali (1 colonnello e 1 uff.inf.) di altre unità del R. Esercito saranno fatti affluire a cura di questo S.M.

Al termine del corso i 40 istruttori saranno ripartiti:

- 18 a ciascuna delle due divisioni Cremona e Friuli per il rispettivo centro di addestramento;
- 1 uff.sup., 1 uff.inf. e 2 sottufficiali a disposizione di questo S.M. per ispezioni.

<u>Corso informativo di addestramento tattico per uff.superiori</u>:

Avrà lo scopo specifico di far acquistare l'orientamento neces

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Corso informativo di addestramento tattico per uff.superiori:
Avrà lo scopo specifico di far acquistare l'orientamento necessario per adattare i procedimenti tattici inglesi alle formazioni italiane in relazione al particolare armamento.

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Vi parteciperanno, come osservatori, 2 colonnelli e 10 ufficiali superiori che saranno nominativamente designati da questo S.M. Al termine del corso detti ufficiali saranno temporaneamente assegnati alle Divisioni per divulgare le nozioni acquisite.

III = ARTIGLIERIA: Corsi SUL MATERIALE DI ARTIGLIERIA.

Comprenderanno:

- corso per ufficiali di fanteria (sul cannone da 6 libbre)
- corso per ufficiali di artiglieria
- corso informativo di addestramento per uff.sup.

Corso sul cannone da 6 libbre.

Vi parteciperanno 12 ufficiali e 22 sottufficiali nella misura seguente:

Div. Cremona: 6 uff.inf. e 11 sottufficiali di cui
2 uff.inf. e 4 sottuff. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Piceno.

Div. Friuli: 6 uff.inf. e 11 sottufficiali, di cui
2 uff.inf. e 4 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Divis. Mantova.

Corso sul cannone da 75 libbre:

Vi parteciperanno 12 ufficiali e 22 sottufficiali come segue:

Div. Cremona: 6 uff.inf. e 11 sottufficiali di cui:
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1 uff.inf. e 1 sottuff. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione Piceno.

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1 uff.inf. e 1 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Div. Mantova

1 uff.inf. di [illegible] da questo S.M.

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- corso informativo di addestramento per uff.sup.

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Corso sul cannone da 17 libbre:

Vi parteciperanno 6 ufficiali e 4 sottufficiali come segue:

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1 uff.inf. sarà ceduto dalla Div. Piceno

Div. Friuli: 3 uff.inf. e 2 sottufficiali di cui
1 uff.inf. sarà ceduto dalla Div. Mantova.

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Corso sui cannoni da 10 m.m.

Vi parteciperanno 12 ufficiali e 6 sottufficiali come segue:

Divis. Cremona: 6 uff. inf e 4 sottufficiali di cui:
1 uff. inf. e 1 sott. saranno ceduti dalla Div. Pisano
2 uff. inf. saranno designati da questo S.I.

Divis. Friuli: 6 uff. inf. e 4 sottufficiali di cui:
2 uff. inf. saranno designati da questo S.I.
1 uff. inf. e 1 sottuff. saranno ceduti dalla Div. Mantova.

Corso informativo di addestramento tattico per uff. sup.:

Riservato di ordini.

IV = CORSO SUI MEZZI DI TRASPORTO.

A titolo orientativo si precisa che i Comandi di Divisione che è probabile gli Alleati concedano successivamente, due nuclei ciascuno composto di un ufficiale e sei soldati, muniti di automezzi vari, per l'addestramento del personale delle Divisioni ai mezzi di trasporto di dotazione degli eserciti Alleati.

Riservato di ordini.

V = INTERPRETI.

Per il servizio degli interpreti sarà costituito presso le Scuole un centro alle dipendenze del Colonnello Ranzoli (comprendente: un ufficiale, un dattilografo, una macchina da scrivere, una ordinanza di ufficio e una autovettura). A tale centro faranno capo durante lo svolgimento dei corsi:

4 interpreti per il corso sul mortaio da 3 pollici
7 interpreti per il corso sulle armi di plotone.

Per i rimanenti corsi saranno destinati:

3 interpreti per il corso sul cannone da 6 libbre

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2 uff.inf. saranno designati da questo S.I.
1 uff.inf. e 1 sottuff. saranno ceduti dalla Div. Trentoo.

Corso informativo di addestramento tattico per uff.sup.:
Riserva di ordini.

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Riserva di ordini.

V = INTERPRETI.

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4 interpreti per il corso sul mortaio da 3 pollici
7 interpreti per il corso sulle armi di plotone.

Per i rimanenti corsi saranno destinati:

3 interpreti per il corso sul cannone da 6 libbre
3 interpreti per il corso sul cannone da 25 libbre
1 interprete per il corso sul cannone da 17 libbre
2 interpreti per il corso sull'obice da 40 mm.

Tutti gli interpreti saranno assegnati da questo S.I.

VI = ASSISTENZA DEL PERSONALE

Il centro interpreti del colonnello Ravagli (interpreti esclusi), unitamente ai due colonnelli del corso informativo di 15 stra-

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mento tattico per ufficiali superiori dovranno raggiungere Benevento (Castello) alle ore 17 del 16 agosto p.v.

Il Comando della Divisione Friuli approntera due plotoni della forza di 20 uomini ciascuno per i servizi durante il periodo dei corsi.

Agli avviamenti provvederà questo S.M. (Ufficio trasporti) d'accordo con i comandi interessati.

Il personale (ufficiali, sottufficiali e graduati frequentatori, interpetri, plotoni per i servizi) dovrà affluire:

- quello dei corsi sulle armi di plotone, sul mortaio da 3 pollici, del corso orientativo di addestr. tattico per uff. sup., compreso un plotone della Div. Friuli: a Benevento non oltre le ore 16 del 22 agosto p.v.; quello proveniente dalla Sardegna dovrà essere concentrato nel continente per il 20 agosto p.v.;
- quello dei corsi sul materiale di artiglieria.

a Colleferro il 26 agosto p.v. Il plotone della Div. Friuli, invece, dovrà raggiungere Colleferro il 24 agosto p.v.

Durante i corsi il personale sarà accantonato e vettovagliato a cura dei Comandi delle Scuole inglesi.

Riserva di ordini per i rimanenti corsi.

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In relazione a quanto sopra prego i comandi interessati di designare il personale da comandare ai corsi, con l'avvertenza che dovrà essere scelto con la massima cura.

Gli ufficiali dovranno essere tutti in s.p.e.; i sottufficiali saranno tratti da quelli di carriera; i cap.m.gg. (nel limite, di massima, di un quinto dell'aliquota totale dei sottufficiali) dovranno appartenere alle classi comprese tra il 1918 e il 1924

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Eventuali deficienze siano subito segnalate a questo S.M.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(P. Berardi)

Per copia conforme:
IL COL. SERV. S.I. CAPO UFFICIO
(Ferrari Giovanni)

N.B. TUTTO il personale dovrà essere munito di stoviglie (posata, tazza, piatti).

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCI
- Ufficio Addestramento -

PERSONALE PARTECIPANTE AI CORSI DI ADDESTRAMENTO

C O R S I	Div. "CREMONA"		Div. "FRIULI"		S.M.R.E.	Inter-preti	
	Uffic.	Sottuff. e grad.	Uffic.	Sottuff. e grad.			
Armi di plotone	9 inf. (1)	25 (2)	9 inf.(3)	25 (4)	2 Col.	6 7	(1)
Mortaio da 3 pollici	8 inf.(5)	11 (6)	8 inf.(7)	11 (8)	1 Col. 1 inf.	4	(2) (3) (4)
Inf.uff.sup. ftr.	—	—	—	—	2 Col. 10 U.S.		(5) (6) (7)
Cannone da 6 libbre (ftr.)	6 (9)	11 (10)	6 (11)	11 (12)	—	3	(8) (9)
Cannone da 25 libbre	6 (13)	11 (14)	6 (15)	11 (16)	—	2	(10) (11) (12)
Cannone da 17 libbre	3 (17)	2	3 (18)	2	—	1	(13)
Cannone da 40 m/m.	6 (19)	4 (20)	6 (21	4 (22)	—	2	(14) (15)
							(16) (17) (18) (19)
							(20) (21)
							(22)

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STO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Addestramento -

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CORSI DI ADDESTRAMENTO SUL MATERIALE INGLESE

	S.M.R.E.	Interpreti	NOTE
)	2 Col.	6 7	(1)-di cui 3 uff.inf. saranno ceduti dalla Divisione "Piceno"
)	1 Col. 1 inf.	4	(2)- " " 8 sottuff. " " " " "
	2 Col. 10 U.S.		(3)- " " 3 uff.inf. " " " " "Mantova"
			(4)- " " 8 sottuff. " " " " "
			(5)- " " 3 uff.inf. " " " " "Piceno"
)	—	3	(6)- " " 3 sottuff. " " " " "
			(7)- " " 3 uff.inf. " " " " "Mantova"
			(8)- " " 3 sottuff. " " " " "
			(9)- " " 2 uff.inf. " " " " "Piceno"
			(10) " " 4 sottuff. " " " " "
	—	2	(11) " " 2 uff.inf. " " " " "Mantova"
			(12) " " 4 sottuff. " " " " "
	—	1	(13) " " 1 uff.sup. sarà ceduto dall'Ispettorato Artiglieria e 1'inf. dalla Divisione "Piceno"
)	—	2	(14) " " 1 sottuff. sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Piceno"
			(15) " " 1 uff.inf. sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova" e 1 da questo S.M.
			(16) " " 1 sottuff. sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova"
			(17) " " 1 uff.inf. " " " " "Piceno"
			(18) " " 1 " " " " " " " "Mantova"
			(19) " " 1 " " " " " " "Piceno" e 2 designati da questo S.M.
			(20) " " 1 " " sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Piceno"
			(21) " " 2 " " saranno designati da questo S.M. - 1 sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova"
			(22) " " 1 sottuff. sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova".

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Armi di plotone	9 inf. (1)	25 (2)	9 inf.(3)	25 (4)	2 Col.	6	1)
Mortaio da 3 pollici	8 inf.(5)	11 (6)	8 inf.(7)	11 (8)	1 Col. 1 inf.	4	2) 3) 4)
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Cannone da 17 libbre	3 (17)	2	3 (18)	2	—	1	13)
Cannone da 40 m/m.	6 (19)	4 (20)	6 (21	4 (22)	—	2	14) 15)
							16) 17) 18) 19)
							20) 21)
							22)

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1)	2 Col.	6	1)–di cui	3	uff.inf.	saranno	ceduti	dalla	Divisione	"Piceno"
3)	1 Col. 1 inf.	4	2)– " "	8	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
			3)– " "	3	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Mantova"
			4)– " "	8	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
	2 Col. 10 U.S.		5)– " "	3	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Piceno"
			6)– " "	3	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
			7)– " "	3	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Mantova"
2)	—	3	8)– " "	3	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
			9)– " "	2	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Piceno"
			10) " "	4	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
5)	—	2	11) " "	2	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Mantova"
			12) " "	4	sottuff.	"	"	"	"	"
	—	1	13) " "	1	uff.sup.	sarà ceduto dall'Ispettorato Artiglieria e l'inf. dalla Divisione "Piceno"				
			14) " "	1	sottuff.	sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Piceno"				
2)	—	2	15) " "	1	uff.inf.	sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova" e 1 da questo S.M.				
			16) " "	1	sottuff.	sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova"				
			17) " "	1	uff.inf.	"	"	"	"	"Piceno"
			18) " "	1	" "	"	"	"	"	"Mantova"
			19) " "	1	" "	"	"	"	"	"Piceno" e 2 designati da questo S.M.
			20) " "	1	" "	sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Piceno"				
			21) " "	2	" "	saranno designati da questo S.M. – 1 sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova"				
			22) " "	1	sottuff.	sarà ceduto dalla Divisione "Mantova".				


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July - Sept. 1944

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URGENT.

CONFIDENTIAL.

VISIT OF REPRESENTATIVE MMIA WITH ITALIAN OFFRS.

1. Arrival here and date:- Approx 1900 hrs 1 Aug 44.

2. Accommodation:- New Villa.

3. Mess:- New Villa.

4. Tpt and drivers:- Tpt lines under Adm Comd's arrangements.

5. To be received by:- Major J.H. AMOS, Capt G.H. BECK, ~~Capt D.M. PARRY~~. Major L.F. WILLIAMS

6. Liaison Offr:- ~~Capt D.M. PATEY~~. Major L.F. WILLIAMS.

7. PROGRAMME.

(a) Evening 1 Aug:- NIL

(b) 2 Aug

A.M. Under Weapon Trg School arrangements.

P.M.
- 1400 hrs / 1445 " — SIGS Museum (Major LOVEGROVE)
- 1455 hrs / 1530 " — R.E. Museum (Major CROOKENDEN)
- 1535 hrs — Inspect 25 pdr equipment in Schools Sq. under Tac School arrangements.
- 1700 hrs / 1900 " — Discussion on courses required (details later)

(c) 3 Aug. Spare until time of departure.

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6. Liaison Offrs:- ~~Gapt D.N. PARRY~~. Major L.F. WILLIAMS.

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Major, G.S.
Chf Trg Centre.

1 Aug 44.
JHA/HH.

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Comd Weapon Trg School (4)
Adm Comd (6) (incl War Diary)
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W.T.S.
C.M.T.C.

PROGRAMME

C.M/F.

FOR

VISIT OF ITALIAN OFFICERS (2 Aug 44).

TIME.	SUBJECT.	PLACE.	REMARKS.
0900 to 0945	1. Description of work of W.T.S.	Cond's	C.I. to attend.
	2. Discussion on programmes & pamphlets & methods.	Office.	
0945 to 1000	Visit Weapons Museum.	School Museum.	SSI Allison R. to attend.
1000 to 1045	Exhibition of British Mortars :- 2" Mortar 3" Mortar 4.2" Mortar.	Central Schools War Room..	Capt. D. May Capt. R.E.C.E Hartwell CSM Senior. A. SSI Allison. R. SSI Eames. B. to attend.
1045 to 1200	Exhibition of British Small Arms :- Rifle & Bayonet No. 4. P. Rifle & 32 scope. T.M. Carbine. P.I.A.T. Bren LMG. Vickers MMG. Grenades 66 - 69 70 - 71 - 77 - 79	Central Schools War Room	Capt. J.C. Wilson. Capt. J. Lamb. RSM Watson. R.A. MBE CSM Lynch. J. CSM Laird. J. to attend.
1215 to 1245	Firing of 2" Mortar T.N.C. P.I.A.T. (PS) 77 Grenade Snipers rifle Bren.	30 yds Range Area.	Capt. J. Lamb. RSM Watson. RA MBE CSM Hunt. S. CSM Laird. J. to attend.

(56) Smith

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1045 to 1200	Exhibition of British Small Arms :- Rifle & Bayonet No.4. T.Rifle & 32 scope. T.M.Carbine. P.I.A.T. Bren LMG. Vickers MMG Grenades 56 - 69 75 70 - 71 - 77 - 79	Central Schools War Room	Capt.J.C.Wilson. Capt.J. Lamb. RSM Watson. R.A. MEE CSM Lynch. J. CSM Laird. J. to attend.
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(56) Smith
(64.) Bulcock
(70) " Lelkal.
74 Bleby
(75) Hanbin [K 9]
(77) platoon smoke
79. Base smoke

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TOP SECRET.

POINTS NOTED DURING TALK WITH COL W.G. PIDSLEY, DSO, MC (MELA) (pm 1 Aug)

1. COURSES REQUIRED.

(a) 3" Mortar — 40

(b) 2" Mortar, L.M.G., PIAT, Rifle } Pl Weapons — 55

2. NUMBERS OF STUDENTS.

(a) 3" Mortar	First Course	8 Offrs	16 NCO's
(b) Pl Weapons	"	"	22 "	56 "

NOTE:- The best possible situation from MELA point of view would be if GHQ could take 2 x (22 Offrs + 56 NCO's) - This would mean from accommodation point of view cancellation of BRIT vacancies for this course.

(c) On basis of 22 Offrs 56 NCO's per course, three courses would be required.

Each course would train the regimental instructors for two gps (= two ITALIAN Divs).

There are six gps to be trained in all.

3. INTERPRETERS.

The idea is one interpreter per squad. If so this must be catered for from accommodation (Q) angle. On basis 22 Offrs + 56 NCO's for course = aprox 6 interpreters.

4. JUNIOR LEADERS COURSES.

This is a later phase. Col PIDSLEY would like to discuss.

5. SPECIAL FACTORS.

(a) The standard to be obtained is affected by the fact that the ITALIAN Gps will NOT be used in an offensive role.

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(a) 3" Mortar	First Course	8 Offrs	16 NCO's
(b) Pl Weapons	" "	22 "	56 "

NOTE:- The best possible situation from MGIA point of view would be if CMC could take 2 x (22 Offrs + 56 NCO's) - This would mean from accommodation point of view cancellation of BRIT vacancies for this course.

(c) On basis of 22 Offrs 56 NCO's per course, three courses would be required.

Each course would train the regimental instructors for two gps (= two ITALIAN Divs).

There are six gps to be trained in all.

3. INTERPRETERS.

The idea is one interpreter per squad. If so this must be catered for from accommodation (Q) angle. On basis 22 Offrs + 56 NCO's for course = approx 6 interpreters.

4. JUNIOR LEADERS COURSES.

This is a later phase. Col PIDSLEY would like to discuss.

5. SPECIAL FACTORS.

(a) The standard to be obtained is affected by the fact that the ITALIAN Gps will NOT be used in an offensive role.

(b) It is NOT expected that the gps will be 100% in handling of BRIT Weapons

6. TIME OF FIRST COURSE.

(a) End of Aug. Normal 28 Aug commencement appears suitable. 1538

1. 28 Aug. ✕
2. 25 Sept.
3. 23 Oct. ✕ ? Aden Platoon.
4. 18 Nov

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7. OTHER COURSES REQUIRED.

(a) 25 pdr)
17 pdr) for discussion with D.A.T rep.
6 pdr)
14 mm)

(b) SIGS. - ditto -

(c) R.E. - ditto -

(d) Driving & Maint. - ditto -

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2 Aug 44.
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H. Jones.
Major, G.S.
CM Trg Centre.

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Col. W.G. PIDSLEY, DSO, MC [redacted]
Spare (6).

? 1 Officer has been on JL course alongside Pt Forte – 1 (a) Tactical School on Italy
(b) Tactical aspects on the ground

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W.T.S.
C.M.T.C.

COURSES HELD AT EATON TRAINING SCHOOL - C. M. T. C.

SERIAL.	COURSE.	DURATION.	STUDENTS. Officers.	STUDENTS. NCOs.	INSTRUCTORS. Offrs.	INSTRUCTORS. WOs.	INSTRUCTORS. NCOs.	SYLLABUS
1	PLATOON WEAPONS	3 Weeks.	19	36	1	1	5	Rifle - 2" Mort 70 - 71 Fire Co
2	3" MORTAR.	3 Weeks.	12	28	1	1	4	Technic Tactic
3	VICKERS M. M. G.	3 Weeks.	10	30	1	1	4	Technic Handlin
4	SNIPERS	3 Weeks.	-	30	2	1	5	No. 4. T stalkin Open co
5	4.2" MORTAR	3 Weeks.	7	17	1	1	3	Technic Tactica
6	6 PDR ANTI TANK.	3 Weeks.	8	25	1	1	3	Technic Trainin River c
			56	167	7	6	24	

NOTES :-
i. All courses fire live ammunition in respect of the weapon
ii. All courses are designed to train INSTRUCTORS not indivi

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C.M.F.

GUNNERY TRAINING SCHOOL - C. M. T. C.

STUDENTS. Officers.	STUDENTS. NCOs.	INSTRUCTORS. Offrs.	INSTRUCTORS. WOs.	INSTRUCTORS. NCOs.	SYLLABUS.
19	36	1	1	5	Rifle - Bayonet - LMG - Bren LMG - 2" Mortar - PIAT - Grenades 36 - 69 - 70 - 74 - 75 - 77 - 79 - Enemy weapons - Fire Control.
12	28	1	1	4	Technical knowledge and handling - Tactical training to Platoon Level.
16	30	1	1	4	Technical knowledge and advanced handling - No tactical training.
-	30	2	1	5	No.4. Rifle and 32 scope - Fieldcraft - stalking - camouflage - Range and Open country shooting.
7	17	1	1	3	Technical knowledge and handling - Tactical Training to Platoon Level.
8	26	1	1	3	Technical knowledge - Tactical Training to Platoon Level - River crossing.
56	167	7	6	24	

i. All courses fire live ammunition in respect of the weapons concerned.
ii. All courses are designed to train INSTRUCTORS not individuals in the weapon.

Lt. Col.
Commandant.
GTS CMTC.

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TOP SECRET.

WP.

Minutes of meeting held at CMTC 2 Aug 44 at 1700 hrs to discuss and formulate a plan for trg personnel of six ITALIAN Gps on certain courses at C.M.T.C.

Present:-	Brig G.S. RAWSTORNE, M.C.	Comd CMTC
	Col A.H.E. HOWELL, DSO	A/Comd CMTC & Comd Tac School
	Col. W.G. PIDSLEY, DSO MC	MMIA
	Lt.Col.W.F. FOSTER-GREENWOOD DSO,MBE, MC	Comd Weapon Trg School
	Lt.Col.P.O'BRIEN TWOHIG DSO	Chief Instr Junior Leaders Wing, Tac School.
	Lt.Col. I.C. MONKFORD, DSO	Adm Comd.
	Lt.Col. J. HALL	GSO I MT Directorate CMF
	Major H.E.H. JONES	GSO II Tac School
	Major A.O. WILLIAMS	Chief Instr Weapon Trg School.
	Major J.H. AMOS	GSO II CMTC.

Members of Staff (ITALIAN ARMY).

1. GENERAL.

(a) Whereas the plan to be discussed could be produced in essential detail, there were one or two high level decisions still to be made which might go to the root of such plan.

(b) The standard to be attained by ITALIAN personnel attending courses was affected by the fact that ITALIAN Gps (Gp = one ITALIAN Div) would NOT be used in an offensive role.

(c) All suggestions to be put to DMT in the form of a proposal (Lt.Col. HALL took details).

2. COURSES REQUIRED.

(a) 3" Mortar.

(b) 2" Mortar, LAD, PIAT, Rifle } Pl weapons.

(c) 6 pdr.

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(a) 26 Aug - 16 Sep.

4. NUMBERS ON COURSES (Weapon Trg).

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5. REPORT DATE FOR WEAPON TNG COURSES.

1600 hrs 26 Aug.

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1 S.D. Orderly.

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Adm Staff	1	2	3
Interpreter incl L.C.	10) 1)		11
Dvr		1	1
	62	75	137

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TOP SECRET.

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TOP SECRET.

SUBJECT : Training ITALIAN Divisions.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ADV AFHQ CMF.

Tel. 11667.

AFHQ.
AAI.
MMIA.

DMT/55/MT.1.

8 August 1944.

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Reference is made to AFHQ letter AG 353/011 GOT-O of 4 August 1944 (not to MMIA) and this Directorate's letter DMT/55/MT.1 of 30 July 1944.

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It was suggested however, and agreed by the senior ITALIAN officer present that 12 senior inf officers should observe the next course at the Junior Leaders Wing to ascertain what modifications in their tactical teaching would be made necessary by the introduction of BRITISH weapons.

If this is approved it will not be necessary either to close a course at this wing to BRITISH students, or to form an ITALIAN wing.

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6. My recommendations in the final para are modified as above.

7. The following figures agreed by the ITALIANS should be substituted for those contained in Appendix "A" and "B".

Course	Officers	ORs	Interpreters
PI Weapons	20	50	7
3" Mortar	18	2?	4

To cater for this number of officers, it may also be necessary to limit the number of BRITISH officers attending the 4.2" Mortar course, and the MG course to 4 and 8 respectively for adm reasons.

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8. Driving and Maintenance.

It is proposed that a small training team should be sent to each Gp to give instruction in the driving and maintenance. There should be no difficulty in finding the team. Low class vehicles of all types to be issued to the Gpo, would be the only equipment required.

9. Artillery.

(a) It is proposed to divide arty trg into 2 phases.

I. Instruction in the use of instruments and arty equipments for regt instructors.

II. Training in tactical deployment, organisation and care and maintenance of equipment.

(b) Courses are being planned for Phase I at 8 Army Training Team at COLLI FIORO, and it is proposed that the regt instructors for inf 6 prs should attend this course also.

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* Later GSO II HQ	Majors	2*		1	3
	Capt	1	1	1	3
	Sub			1	1
	Sgt	4	5	2	1 (BSM) 12 approx
	Instr				
	Batmen etc			9	9

(d) On completion of the trg of the first 2 Gps, the two GSO 2 will be cross posted from the team to their respective HQs. 1529

(e) The RA Training Team with ITALIAN Army will assist 8 Army Training Team in Phase I.

(f) Course required :

25 pr	12 officers	22 NCOs	2 interpreters
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10. **Engineer Training.**

The programme suggested in AAI cable ZZ 779 of 31 July 1944 is agreed.

11. G Trg AAI are requesting "X" Branch to forward proposals. The training of ordnance personnel is being arranged direct between AMRA and Ord AAI.

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11 (cont). The most suitable date for training to commence at the ATTC would be 20 August 1944. If training is to commence before that date, the current courses at the various schools will have to be closed. I strongly recommend that these courses which will be completed on 19 August 1944 be allowed to finish.

H Mendenhall

Brig.
D.M.T.

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SUBJECT: Reorganisation Combat Force. SECRET

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Army Sub Commission, M.M.I.A.
H.Q., A.C.C.

ROME.

S/G/29/10
6 Aug 44.

To: S.M.R.E.

copy to: C.M.T.C.
A.A.I.
P.M.T. (AFHQ)

1. Will you please send the following liaison section to be attached to the C.M.T.C. (BENEVENTO):

1 Colonel (Colonel RAVAGLI)
1 junior officer (Interpreter)
1 clerk (with typewriter)
1 orderly (for general duties.)
1 driver (with automobile.)

2. The section will report to H.Q., C.M.T.C. on 22 Aug unless required to report earlier (in which case they will receive at least 48-hours notice.)

3. Accommodation and rations are being arranged by C.M.T.C.

4. Their duties will be as follows:

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5. In addition to the above will you please arrange for two Colonels from those subsequently attending the "Junior Leaders Course" to report to the C.M.T.C. on 22 Aug for preliminary studies before the course itself.

W. Pidsley Colonel
for Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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5. REPORT DATE FOR WEAPON TRG COURSES.

1600 hrs 26 Aug.

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TOP SECRET.

Minutes of meeting held at CMTC 2 Aug 44 at 1700 hrs to discuss and formulate a plan for trg personnel of six ITALIAN Gps on certain courses at C.M.T.C.

Present:-	Brig G.S. RAWSTORNE, M.C.	Comd CMTC
	Col A.H.E. HOWELL, DSO	A/Comd CMTC & Comd Tac School
	Col. W.G. PIDSLEY, DSO MC	MMLA
	Lt.Col.W.F. FOSTER-GREENWOOD DSO,MBE, MC	Comd Weapon Trg School
	Lt.Col.P.O'BRIEN TWOHIG DSO	Chief Instr Junior Leaders Wing, Tac School.
	Lt.Col. I.C. MONTFORD, DSO	Adm Comd.
	Lt.Col. J. HALL	G3O I MT Directorate CMF
	Major H.E.H. JONES	G3O II Tac School
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Training File Note.

Training:

Fr Gen Berardi by Col Ferrari verbally:-

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5. Be prepared to advance by Air Force convoy by 10 days - will get seven days notice.

6. Interpretation to be ready 1920

7. Copy of letter to us. WD 8/8

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

SECRET

AG 353/011 OCT-O

4 August 1944

SUBJECT: Training Italian Divisions.

TO : Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy.

1. Reference is made to DMT, this headquarters, Number DMT/55/MTL, dated 30 July 1944, copy to you.

2. Your observations are requested on the program for training the Italian Divisions suggested by the DMT in the letter under review.

3. It is pointed out, that no decision has yet been given as to whether or not these Italian Divisions are to be employed in active operations.

4. It should be noted that the proposals, if adopted, may involve the temporary closing of British Instructors Courses at the School of Signals, the Weapon Training School (CMTC), and the mechanic Schools (CMTC and RATD) for a period of one month, and, in addition, that the vacancies allotted to British formations on courses at the School of Artillery, the SME, and the IRTD may have to be reduced in proportion to the number of Italian students admitted to them.

5. Will you please forward your views on the proposals as early as possible in order that no time may be lost in putting them into operation if it should be decided to employ the Italian Divisions.

By command of General WILSON:

T. J. [illegible],
Capt, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

CC TO MTA

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Ridsley.
DMT/55/MTI 30 July
Having Harbin Dwg
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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ADV AFHQ., C.F.

Tel : 16950

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A.F.H.Q.

Copy to :- HQ A.A.I.
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1. Reference is made to MGIA memorandum T.S./C/29 of 21 Jul 44, and to conversation BGS, SD & T, AAI - DMT.

The following is a suggested programme for training the ITALIAN divisions.

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Phase I. Collection of interpreters and short course for them in lessons to be taught. Duration approximately 3 days. Instruction to be given at respective schools. Numbers of interpreters required for one div is given at Appendix "A". Pending firm decision on the project, this should be put in hand forthwith to avoid losing time.

Amended

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or (ii) temporarily to close certain schools to British for one course.

4. TACTICAL TRAINING.

Concurrently with Phases II and III and IV, tactical training will need to be given as follows :-

(a) Short study course at CMTC for Lt-Cols and above.

This course to last only a few days.

(b) Junior Leaders courses at CMTC, two courses each of about 3 weeks duration.

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Here again, to deal with the numbers involved, it will be desirable either temporarily to close down British Junior Leaders courses for six weeks or to start an Italian Wing. In view of important commitments for ex AA and other dilutee rfts the latter course is recommended.

5. TRAINING SCALES OF EQUIPMENT.

Suggested training scales are attached at Appx "C".

6. MANUALS.

Training manuals as selected by D&T and British Liaison Unit (see para 7 below) will have to be translated and printed in Italian.

7. LIAISON UNIT AND TRAINING TEAMS.

(a) With each div there will be a British Liaison Unit composed as follows :-

DAMQMG
DADOS
DAIEME
Engr

1 GSO I
1 GSO II (inf)
1 GSO II (arty)
1 GSO II (sigs)
4 Interpreters
3 Clerks (1 M/Cpl)
1 Batman
3 Batman Drivers
1 Driver I/C
1 Car 4 str 4 x 4
3 Cars 5 cwt 4 x 4 — Jeep

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(d) A senior and experienced English speaking Italian officer will be required to act as liaison officer with the DMT and his staff. This officer will be required very early.

8. SCHOOLS.

DMT will arrange to allot the vacancies required at the Schools for Phases I and II, and for any subsequent courses that may be found necessary.

It will be advantageous to open an ITALIAN Wing at the Tactical School.

A forecast of the number of vacancies required is given at Appendix "F".

9. LOCATION.

The divs should be located where good training areas exist, including Arty and inf ranges, and should be as near the schools as possible. CAMPOBASSO has been suggested and is considered very suitable.

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10. TRAINING OF TRADESMEN AND SERVICES.

Until the organisation of the services is known, it is not possible to make a firm proposal for their training.

11. ORGANIZATION, AND C.1098

It is requested that copies of the W.E. of the div, and C.1098 be forwarded as early as possible, in order that a detailed programme may be drawn up.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

When a decision is given, I propose if agreed, to :-

(a) Organise temporarily an Italian Wing to Weapon Trg School to teach pl weapons for one course (up to 30). (Assuming extra instructors and weapons are available. If these are not, the School to be closed for British personnel and opened for the Italians).

(b) Make Italian Junior Leaders Wing.

(c) Get Interpreters under instruction as soon as sent

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A.G. Kenchington

Brig.,
D.M.T.

AGK/rm

APPENDIX "A".

Interpreters required for one div.

Arm.	Weapon.		No.
Arty	25 pr		1 2
	17 pr		1 1
	40 mm		1 2
	6 pr		1 3
Engr	Div equipment		1
Sigs	Div equipment	Sigs	1
		Arty	1
		Inf	2
Inf	Pl Weapons		27
	3" Mortar		4 4
	Carrier		26
	M.T.		6
Ord & Mech Engr			2

APPENDIX "B".

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School of Artillery	25 pr	4 3	8 11
"	17 pr	2 1	4 4
"	40 mm	2 2	4 8
	6 Pdr	12	32
S.M.E.	All Equipment in Fd Coy	2	4
School of Sigs.	Div Sigs	5	10)
"	R.S.I. R.A.	4	4) +
"	R.S.I. Inf	8	16)
M.T. School C.M.T.C.	Pl Weapons	20	20)
	3" Mortar	1 0	4)

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"	40 mm	2	4	
	6 Pdr	12	24	
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School of Sigs.	Div Sigs	5	10	
"	R.S.I. R.A.	4	4	+
"	R.S.I. Inf	8	16	
W.T. School C.M.T.C.	Fl Weapons	20	50	
	3" Mortar	18	114	+
	Inf 6 pr	4	8	
Mech School CMTC & RATD	Regtl Offrs & NCOs Course	20	39	+
I.R.T.R.	Learner Dvrs Carrier Course	8	16	

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APPENDIX "C".

Minimum Training Scale Infantry per Div.

Equipment.	Per Unit.	Total.
Rifles) TSMG)	As near full scale as supplies permit	
LMG	1 per pl incl carrier pl	60
PIAT	1 per coy	24
2" Mortar	1 per coy	24
3" Mortar	2 per bn and 2 per mortar coy	16
6 pr	2 per bn and 2 per gun coy	16
Carriers	5 per bn	30
18 or 48 sets	4 per bn initially full scale for tactical trg	24
38 sets	14 per bn	84
D.V.	4 per bn	24
Compasses	12 " "	72
Binoculars	18 " "	108
Watches	8 " "	48
Pistols Signal	4 " "	24
Mine detectors	2 Polish, 2 American per bn	24
Bicycles	10 per bn	60

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2" Mortar	1 per coy	24
3" Mortar	2 per bn and 2 per mortar coy	16
6 pr	2 per bn and 2 per gun coy	16
Carriers	5 per bn	30
18 or 48 sets	4 per bn initially full scale for tactical trg	24
38 sets	14 per bn	84
D.V.	4 per bn	24
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Minimum Training Scales Div Sigs.

Equipment.		No.
Wireless sets No.19		12
" " No.22		18
Switchboards U.C. 10 line		10
Teles B Mk V		30
Teles F		12
Teles L		30
Fullerphones MK IV		20
Barrows Drum		6
Cable Layers Mech No.1		3
App: Cable laying No.2 or 6.		6
" " " No.3		6
Cable elec D.3 single.	miles	50
" " D.3 twisted	"	4
" " D.8 single	"	100
Boxes terminal Signal Office		10
Frames D & P 10 wire		10
Charging sets 300 watt		20
" " 1260 "		4
" " 4 K.W.		1
Wireless Stations S.C.R. 399		2
Reception Sets R.107		4
" " R.109		2

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Barrows Drum		6
Cable Layers Mech No.1		3
App: Cable laying No.2 or 6.		6
" " " No.3		6
Cable elec D.3 single.	miles	50
" " D.3 twisted	"	4
" " D.8 single	"	100
Boxes terminal Signal Office		10
Frames D & P 10 wire		10
Charging sets 300 watt		20
" " 1260 "		4
" " 4 K.W.		1
Wireless Stations S.C.R. 399		2
Reception Sets R.107		4
" " R.109		2

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Minimum Training Scales Arty.

Equipment.	Numbers.
25 prs with gun stores trailer and towing veh.	16
17 prs " " " and towing veh.	4
40 mm " " " " " "	12
22 Sets	15
Directors	4
Boards Arty No.3	6
D.V.s	12
Cable	20 miles
Cable laying equipment	3
Tele hone exchanges	3
Compasses	14
Binoculars	22
Bunderol	3
Tapes Steel	3

½ G.1098 of Field Regt (less gas equipment)

½ G.1098 of 17 pr A.T. Tp(" " ")

½ G.1098 of 40mm Tp (" " ")

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Minimum Training Scale Engineers per Div.

Bridging.	One Bailey Set (130 ft D.D.).	
Demolitions.	Normal training scale of explosives.	
Mine Warfare.	Tellermines	50
	Holzmines or Italian Wooden Box mines	50
	"S" mines	50
	Igniters German NZ 35	50
	NZ 42	50
	SM Z 35	50
	All other standard mines and mechs, British, US and German	4 of each
	One Bn Div Set of mine marking and gapping stores.	
	In addition ½ G.1098 scale will be required.	

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S[illegible] - Training of Gruppi di Combattimento

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC
ROME
ME 18/1
6 Aug 44

S M R E
copy Chief Engineer, AAI
Commandant, Engineer Training Establishment

Ref my ME 18/1 dated 31 Jul, herewith further instructions concerning the courses for Italian Students at the British School of Military Engineering, CAPUA.

Reporting

(1) The following will report to Commandant, British School of Military Engineering by 1200 hrs 19 Aug for training in Mine Warfare and Bailey Bridging:-

One officer and two NCO's from each of 51, 184, 10 and 79 Artieri Coys.
Twelve NCO's from X Reggimento del Genio.

Their training will finish 18 Sept.

(2) The following will report to Commandant, British School of Military Engineering by 1200 hrs 10 Sept for training in Field Plant Maintenance:- 1809

Fifteen Junior NCO's from X Reggimento del Genio.

Their training will finish 25 Sept.

Interpreters

(3) Three interpreters will be provided by X Reggimento del Genio for the period 19 Aug - 25 Sept.

Accommodation

(4) All students will be accomodated in the School of Military Engineering buildings.

Personal Kit

(5) Each student will bring with him the following personal items:-

Mosquito Net (where possible)
Bedding
Plates, knife, fork, cup.
Water bottle.

(6) All necessary working clothes will be brought by students.

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Pay

(7) Students will be paid before attending the course.

Batmen

(8) Officers will bring batmen.

Rations

(9) Students will be rationed under British arrangements.

(10) Four Italian cooks will accompany the students for the period 19 Aug - 25 Sept.

Dispersal/.....

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Sub. Re. Training of Italian Engineers in the use of British Equipment

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
HQ ACC
ROME
RE 18/1
31 Jul 44.

S M R E
copy Chief Engineer, AAI
Commandant, Engineer Training Establishment

1. HQ AAI has provisionally agreed to the training of personnel from the undermentioned units in the use of British Engineer Equipment:-

Artieri Coy	At present under comd
52	EIGHTH Army
5	POLCORPS
28	EIGHTH Army
13	2 DISTRICT
79	S.M.R.E.
4	3 DISTRICT
152	POLCORPS
162	3 DISTRICT
18	C.L.L.
10	SARAIMA Div
51	C.L.L.
3	3 DISTRICT

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2. COURSES
Courses in Elementary Bailey Bridging, Mine Warfare and Engineer Field Plant Maintenance are being arranged at the British Engineer Training Establishment CAPUA. The provisional date is 15 Aug 44.

The following personnel will attend:-

a) Elementary Bailey Bridging and Mine Warfare Courses
1 Offr and 2 NCO's from each of the twelve Artieri Coys.
6 English speaking Italian Engineer Offrs from units under Allied Command.
12 NCO's from X Reggimento del Genio, Santa Maria Capua Vetere.

b) Engineer Field Plant Maintenance Courses
15 Junior NCO's and three interpreters from X Reggimento del Genio.

3. Collection of Personnel for Courses
Arrangements are being made by HQ AAI to select the personnel above who are in units under Allied Control.
Will you please arrange the following:-

a) Warn C.L.L. that 1 Offr and 2 NCO's will probably be required at

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39	EIGHTH Army
13	2 DISTRICT
79	S.M.R.E.
4	3 DISTRICT
152	POLOGNES
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184	C.I.L.
10	SABAUDA Div
51	C.L.L.
3	3 DISTRICT

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3. Collection of Personnel for Courses

Arrangements are being made by HQ AAI to select the personnel above who are in units under Allied Control.

Will you please arrange the following:-

a) Warn C.L.L. that 1 Offr and 2 NCO's will probably be required at I Reggimento del Genio on 14 Aug 44.
b) Arrange for 1 Offr and 2 NCO's from 10 Artieri Coy to report to I Reggimento del Genio on 14 Aug 44.
c) Arrange for the 12 NCO's in 2 (a) and the 15 Junior NCO's and 3 interpreters in 2 (b) to be ready at I Reggimento del Genio on 14 Aug 44.

4. Administrative Instructions for Courses

These will be issued later.

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Army Sub Commission

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