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SG/29/10/c Infantry Courses  
Opened Oct. 18, 1944. Closed Nov 2, 1944  
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INFO 232113  
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FROM DMT 56 AREA  
TO HQ 53 BLU  
HQ 56 BLU  
MMIA

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INFO HQ ETE

• COX CR --- BT

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DMT/972

RESTRICTED . THIS CONFIRMS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECOND COURSE  
ASSAULT SECTION PIONEERS AT ETE FROM 5 TO 14 FEB FOR 60  
STUDENTS 30 FROM EACH 53 AND 56 PLUS . THIS PLEASE PROVIDE  
FROM 4 TO 6 INTERPRETERS AT ETE ON THESE DATES . ETE/71/7/233  
OF 19 JAN NOT TO MMIA REFERS

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URGENT RVV

RD NR 232115 1028 JWR B981

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : ENIA

DATE TIME

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR  
56 BLU  
53 BLU  
56 AREA FOR DET  
HQ EYE

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COURSES FOR ASSAULT SECTION PIONEERS WILL BE HELD AT ENGINEER TRAINING  
ESTABLISHMENT CAPUA 5 TO 14 FEB FOR 60 STUDENTS 30 FROM BARTWA 30 FROM  
VOLGORE (.) ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BETWEEN BLU AND DET (.)  
PLEASE PROVIDE 4 IF POSSIBLE 6 INTERPRETERS WHO SHOULD ARRIVE CAPUA 4  
FEBRUARY

PRIORITY

URGENT

AUTHENTICATION

5/6/29/10/6  
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| ARMY FORM 09186 (Small)                                                   |                             |                                                                                               |                                       | CIPHER SECRET<br>MESSAGE FORM                   |                                      | Register No. <u>298</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
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| FROM<br>(A)                                                               | Originator<br><u>53 BLH</u> |                                                                                               | Date-Time of Origin<br><u>191250A</u> |                                                 | OFFICE DATE STAMP<br><u>29/10/62</u> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| For Action<br><u>DMT/56 AREA (HQ) ETC</u>                                 |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| TO<br><u>HQ 56 BLH MMIA</u>                                               |                             |                                                                                               | (W) For Information (INFO) <u>297</u> |                                                 | Message Instructions <u>OR</u>       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| Originator's No.<br><u>DMT/SD/CIO-X Ref DMT/882 Q 16 Jan 45 @ FALGORE</u> |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| <u>gross accepts proposed course for 6V Review available</u>              |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| <u>total strength 30 int 30 OR @ suggest course begins NOT yet NOT</u>    |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| <u>before 7th Feb 63 other arrangements to be similar to previous</u>     |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| <u>course 18th to 29th Dec 44 @ Request signal earliest regarding</u>     |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| <u>date and other details</u>                                             |                             |                                                                                               |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
| THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT BY WIRELESS                                      |                             | IF LIKELY TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT BY WIRELESS |                                       | ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS<br>DEGREE OF PRIORITY |                                      | <table border="1"> <tr> <th>Time</th> <th>System</th> <th>Op.</th> </tr> <tr> <td>THI or FOR<br/><u>191250A</u></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Time cleared<br/><u>191622A</u></td> <td><u>2</u></td> <td><u>28</u></td> </tr> </table> | Time | System | Op. | THI or FOR<br><u>191250A</u> |  |  | Time cleared<br><u>191622A</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>28</u> |
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| Time cleared<br><u>191622A</u>                                            | <u>2</u>                    | <u>28</u>                                                                                     |                                       |                                                 |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |      |        |     |                              |  |  |                                |          |           |
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~~RE NR 943 WA B2~~

LROF V MEDY NR 943 QVR4  
FROM DMT 56 AREA 161500 A  
TO HQ 53 BLU ; HQ 56 BLU  
INFO HQ ETE ~~V~~ ; MMIA  
QQX BT  
DMT/682

RESTRICTED . SUBJECT IS TRG ASSAULT SECS PNRS . ONE .  
POSSIBLE RUN SECOND COUSE ANY TIME AFTER 5 FEB . TWO .  
6 SECS EACH GRUPO . THREE . IF COURSE WANTED ARRANGE  
YOUR RE REPS VISIT ETE EARLIEST TO ARRANGE ACCOMODATION ETC .  
FOR ETE . YOUR ETE/71/7/67 DATED 11 JAN 45 REFERS  
BT

SENT NR 943 WA B2  
NR 943 RECD 170010A FJE KK

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LROT V MEDY NR230124 QVR3

FROM DMT 56 AREA 221700 A

TO HQ 53 BLU HQ 54 BLU

INFO RMIA

QXX BT

DMT/579 RESTRICTED. COURSE ARRANGED AT ETE FOR ASSAULT

PNR SECS IN DMT/550 DATED 20 DEC HAS HAD TO BE ~~CE~~ CANCELLED(.)

WILL ENDEAVOUR ARRANGE AT LATER DATE(.) ETE/71/7/530 DATED 20

DEC REFERS

BT 1015

SENT NR124 1055 PM E000

RD NR 124 1055 MTH E00 LKK

NA none of communication  
referred to letter of 10/12

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*Handwritten for 29/10/A*

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*20/9*

LROF V MEDY NR 210679 **IMPORTANT**  
FROM DMT 36 AREA 211200 A  
TO MMIA  
OOX GR --- BT

*29/10/A*

*20/22*

DMT/557 RESTRICTED (..) FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM CENTRAC UNDER  
THEIR REF 65651 DATED 18 DEC QUOTE FOR LT COL PIDSLEY (..) 12 ITALIAN OFFICERS 24 HRS FROM KFI DEPOT DUE TO ARRIVE HERE  
18 FOR COURSE HAVE NOT YET ARRIVED PLEASE CONTACT SHRE  
AD// AND SIG THEIR ETA UNQUOTE

BT 21920 A

SENT NR 679 LOCKE E 2140 A BBB KKK

*LEFT EARNO 18 Dec*

RD 679 2140 RTH BB EK

*✓*  
*Quayle Debits on 23 Dec*  
*WP*

*SMAR E. Delfand*  
*Adm. W. in line*  
*Stte. mm. 4/1/1940 18 Dec*  
*2125*

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Rel 2310  
A/H

LROF V MEDY V LRSJ NR 300 IMMEDIATE  
QVR 1  
QOX GR 35  
FROM CENTRC 091400 A  
TO NMIA  
INFO 56 AREA FOR DMT  
GS632 RESTRICTED . YOU SS 446 OF 9 .  
FIVE INTERPRETERS NOT  
INCLUDING R A V A L G I REQUIRED . SUGGEST CAPT S I L V E R T R I N I  
3 ALPINI AS FIFTH .  
AS NEITHER M O N E T T I NOR S I L V E S T R I N I  
HAVE DONE PL WEAPON COURSE BOTH  
REQUIRED SOONEST . SIG E T A  
THI 091410 A  
SENT NR 300 093// 2310 JV DR

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CLROF V MEDY NR 594 IMMEDIATE M  
FROM 56 AREA FOR DNT 091200A  
TO MMIA CMF

QQX CR BT

DNT/412 RESTRICTED (.) QUITE ESSENTIAL INTERPRETERS ARE SENT FOR  
WEAPON TRAINING COURSE CMTC (.) COURSE WILL BE OF LITTLE VALUE IF  
THESE MEN NOT AVAILABLE (.)  
CMTCGS630 OF 7 DEC REFERS

BT  
SENT NR 594 I 092350 JW BBE

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*HTH*

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LROF V MEDY NR488 QVR 1  
FROM 56-AREA FOR DMT 081700A  
TO MMIA HQ CMTC  
GR42 BT

DMT/409 . RSTRICED . REF MMIA SS439 DATED 6 DEC AND CMTC  
GS625 DATED 5 DEC . APPROVAL GIVEN TO PROPOSAL TO CONFINE  
COURSE TO OFFRS AS TIME DOES NOT PERMIT ARRANGEMENTS ALREADY  
AGREED DIRECT BETWEEN BRIG RAWSTORNE AND COL ~~PIDSLEY~~  
PIDSLEY BEING ALTERED

THI 081735

SENT NR 4888 2255 CS B2

RD 2255A F A AR KKKK

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LRMB V MEDY NR 55 IMMEDIATE QVR1  
FROM CENTRAC 271700A

A NMIA  
INFO 56 AREA FOR DMT

QQA GR-- BT

63630 . RESTRICTED . YOUR SS441 OF 6 . RAVALGI ~~XXX~~ BOUTET

DILISIC CANNOT BE CONSIDERED AS ~~INTERPRETERS~~ INTERPRETERS FOR 8/12

REQUIREMENTS FOR WEAPON TRG COURSE . REQUIRE SOTO TENTENTE

FAEMER NOW AT ALTAVILLA ALSO TENENTE SOTGIK SOTGIU OF

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

BERSAGLIERI REGT ALSO MAGGIORE GRECO OF FANTERIA REGT ALL WHO

QUALIFIED AS WEAPON TG INTERPRETERS . CONFIRM THESE WILL BE SENT

WITH E T A

THI 071655

SENT NR 556 FB B4

RECD NR 556 2225A J O E K

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MESSAGE FORM.

Date Time of Origin.

06 1231 A

From : MMIA  
To : CENTRAC  
Ref No : SS 441

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29/10/B.

FIRST (\*) Reference your GS 615 of 4 Dec (\*) Interpreters due to report in 16 December are Col. RAVAGLI Capt CAPO 2/Lts GIUBILEI and BOUTET and DILISIO (\*)  
SECOND (\*) Ref your GS 616 of 4 Dec (\*) Col RAVAGLI away and not available until 16 December (\*)  
THIRD (\*) Ref your G 607 of 2 December (\*) Confirmed students will bring applicable pamphlets

IMPORTANT.

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LPKB V MEDY NR 474 IMPORTANT  
FROM CEMTRAC 041015A  
TO MMIA

QOX GR-- ET

GS615 . RESTRICTED . YOUR SS368 DATED 20 NOV .

PLEASE CONFIRM SAME INTERPRETERS WILL REPOT FOR PL WEAPONS COURSE  
COMMENCING 18 DEC AS FOR PREVIOUS COURSE

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✓ SENT NR 474 FB B2

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04/1843A HRA

AR KK

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LROF V MEDY NR314 -M

FROM CENTRAC 041200A

MMIA

QOX GR29 BT

CS616 (.) RESTRICTED (.)

FROM BRIG RAMSTORNE FOR COL LIDSLEY (.)

PLEASE INDICATE DATE COL RAVALGI ARRIVED (.)

WOULD BE ~~GLAD~~ GLAD IF HE COULD ARRIVE 2 OR 3 DAYS.

EARLIER THAN OTHER INTERPRETERS

BT 1300

SENT NR314 LB BB K

RD BWR NR314 OP

*ask SMRT  
if he can return on  
9 Dec.  
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*2/11/21 289  
S/sec. Lih 5/2/23/4  
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LPKB V MEDY NR 262 IMPORTANT QVR1

FROM CENTRAC 071200A

TO MMIA 52 BLU 53 BLU

QOY GR21 BT

GS629 RESTRICTED .

~~PLEASE~~ ENSURE STUDENTS FOR JUNIOR LEADERS COURSE DO NOT ~~ZWC~~ <sup>RPT</sup>

N O T ARRIVE BEFORE 11 DEC . FULL CAMP KIT REQUIRED

THI 071210

ENT NR 262 FB B

✓ RECD NR 262 2033A J G E K

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MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA

Date - Time

To (For Action) : GEMTRAC

06 1225Z

To (For info) : DMT ADNAP

52 BLU

53 BLU

MINISTRY OF WAR

SS ~~439~~ 439

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For Brig RAWSTORNE (.) Col PIDSLEY AOD (.) Reference your GB 625 of 5 November  
not to all (.) Arrangements for Junior Leaders Course from 12 to 22 Dec were made  
by DMT direct with BLU (.) DMT/20 of 8 Nov refers (.) For 52 and 53 BLU (.)  
Please confirm to GEMTRAC that officers only are being sent on above course (.)  
SMRE is signalling same instructions to Groups

Precedence IMPORTANT Y

Authenticating  
Officer

H. R. Tawhyan

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MESSAGE FORM.

Date Time Of Origin.

08 1545 A

From : MMIA  
To : 54 HLU  
To(Info) : IMT Adnap.  
Ref No : 33 438

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Ref your G 6 of 4 Dec (\*) Action with IMT

ROUTINE

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*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

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LRM V MEDY SRL685 I M P O R T A N T Q VR1  
FROM CENTRAC 051855A  
TO M M I A  
INFO D M T ADNAP  
QQX GR57 BT

GS625. RESTRICTED. FOR COL P I D S L E Y FROM BRIG R A W S T O R N E .  
THERE IS A RUMOUR THAT ITALIAN NCO'S WILL BE SENT ON TAC SCHOOL JUNIOR  
LEADERS WING COURSE COMMENCING 12 DEC ARRANGED FOR OFFICERS ONLY. ADM  
SET UP N O T AVAILABLE FOR NCO'S. COMD TAC SCHOOL PERSONALLY DISCUSSED  
COURSES AS OFFRS ONLY WITH REPS BLU'S CONCERNED. PLEASE CONFIRM OFFRS  
ONLY BEING SENT

THI 051910A  
SENT 2015A SWLW BBB  
RECD 2015A J O E K K

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LRKE V MEDY NR 468 M  
FROM 54 BLU 0405  
TO DMT ADNAP HQ MMIA  
QQX GR33

G6 INF WEAPONS TRG COURSE STARTS 6 DEC C//. THIS BLU  
HAS NOT GOT GSO 1 OR GSO2. IMPORTANT TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER  
OF TRAININGPTM XXX TEAM BEFORE 6 DEC. PLEASE ACK  
THI 1015

CCN PSE MAKE QVR2  
SENT NR 468 FB B1 (✓)  
RCD 1845A HRA AP KKK

46/4 LANO FURIOUS 5/0

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Translation

From: SAIRC  
To: NMIA

29/10/44

Ref: 204 A/18. ADD.  
Date: 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 44

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Subject: Courses - To form infantry instructors in Mantova & Piacenza  
Ref. circulars 1400/14/18 and 1514/18/18 dated  
respectively 27 Oct. and 7<sup>th</sup> Nov from the office

It is our duty to inform you that courses to  
form infantry instructors in Mantova & Piacenza Combat Group will  
begin at S. Giorgio del Sannio on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Together with these courses, a preliminary tactical  
exercise of infantry small units, will be carried out.

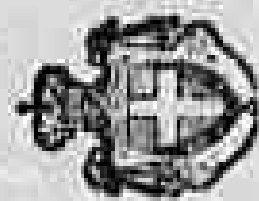
All officers instructors of the above courses have  
been trained at the EMTC, Benevento.

Sgt course

(Sgd) Gen A. DI NATALE

4/12 SP

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# STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO

## UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

no 2045 A/18 prot.ADD. - P.M. 151, 19 Novembre 1944. 112

OGGETTO: Corsi per la formazione di istruttori di fanteria  
del gr. comb. MANTOVA e PICENO.

ALLA L.F.S.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Sede

Riferimento circolari 1400/A/18 e 1519/A/18 rispettivamente in data 27 ottobre e 7 corrente di questo S.M.

Per doverosa informazione si comunica che i corsi per la formazione degli istruttori di fanteria del gr. comb. MANTOVA e PICENO avranno inizio a S. Giorgio del Sannio il 4 dicembre p.d., e termine il 23 dicembre.

Parallelamente a tali corsi sarà effettuato un primo orientamento tattico sull'addestramento delle minori unità di fanteria.

Tutti gli ufficiali istruttori dei corsi ai cui sopra hanno partecipato ai corsi effettuati presso il C.M.T.C. di Benevento.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(A. Santi)

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OGGETTO: Corsi per la formazione di istruttori di fanteria  
del gr.comb. MANTOVA e PICENO.

*Course for the formation  
of inf. instructors of  
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IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(A. Santi)

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*Inv. d. d. v.  
S. S.*

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SUBJECT: Courses at School of Hygiene CMTC

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/55/13/1/MT1

27 Nov 44

HQ MMTA, CMF

Reference your SS373 of 21 Nov 44.

Attached is copy of DMT/200/1/MT2 of 23 Oct 44.

NA

IRS/he

Brig.,  
D.M.T.

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COPY

SUBJECT: Courses at School of Hygiene CMTC

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
ATTN: CMTC

Tel: 11667

DMT/200/1/MT2

25 Oct 44.

M.M.I.A.

Copy to: HQ C.M.T.C. (2)

Ref attached copy of CMTH/A/3/44 dated 16 Oct 44.

1. May steps be taken for S Ten BOUFFET Rodolfo, SMTH, to be sent to CMTC for future courses at the School of Hygiene.
2. Course No 2 starts on 30 Oct 44.

(Signed) M.E.O. Watts Lt Col

for Brig.  
D.M.T. 10

NEW OW/rm

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C O P Y

SUBJECT: Instruction - Italian Army

Ref. CSMH/A/3/44

To Comd CMTC (3)

From: Comd., School of Hygiene

Ref MSHA S/U/29/10 dated 11 Oct 44, para 3.

It will facilitate the instruction of 2nd, 3rd and any subsequent courses if S. Ten. BOUTET Rodolfo, S.M.R.E. be appointed again as Interpreter. His knowledge of the English language is excellent, and though not a Medical Officer proved vastly superior to the Medical Officer Interpreter - Ten. BERNARDINI Giuseppe, S.M.R.E., who tried hard, but has not the knowledge of English to qualify him as an Interpreter.

Continuity when dealing with a technical subject is absolutely necessary and as S. Ten. BOUTET has been through a complete course doing the work of two interpreters, and has the experience of this school's method of instruction, I ask that strong representations be made to DMT that he be detailed.

16 Oct 44.

(Sgd) W R Martine, Lt. Col., RAMC  
Commandant, School of Hygiene.

C.M.T.C.

C.M.F.

Copy to: Surgeon, DMS, AFHQ (thru HQ 'G', CMTC).

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4sec.  
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LRKE V MEZY NR 565 IMMEDIATE  
QVR1  
FROM CENTRAC 291645A  
TO MEMA DMT ADNAP 52 BLU 53 BLU  
QGX GR5 BT

GS605 . RESTRICTED .  
FURTHER TO THIS HQ G583 OF 22 NOV . IMFM URGENTLY REQUIRED WHETHER  
REQUIREMENTS GIVEN IN ABOVE QUOTED SIGNAL ARE BEING FOUND AND  
WHETHER ADVISERS ARRIVING 2 DEC . ADVISERS AND INTERPRETERS ESSENTIAL

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// IF COURSE TO BE RUN . FOR 52 AND 53 BLU . EARLY REPLY TO  
PROPOSED PROGRAMME FWD'D UNDER TS59 23 OF 22 NOV REQUESTED  
BT 1715

SENT NR 565 FB D  
RECD NR 565 SS AT 2215A

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FROM CENTRAC 291645  
TO MEMIA IMT ADNAP 52 BLU 53 BLU

GS 605

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Further to this HQ G583 of 22 Nov (.) IMFM urgently  
required whether requirements given in above quoted  
signal are being found and whether advisers arriving  
2 Dec (.) Advisers and interpreters essential if courses  
to be run (.) For 52 BLU and 53 BLU (.) Early reply  
to proposed programme fwded under TS 59 28 of 22 Nov  
requested

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10 2107  
all 2 advisers for course begin 10  
10 2107

Adviser 2-A to discuss  
10 2107 with interpreter on 8 2107

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LRGP V LRLC (L 41 OVR 2

FROM 33 BLU 202100

TO C DMT (ADMAP)

INFO MMIA

QCY SR 27

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*[Signature]*

24 Nov.

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MMIA/XX 60/62/13 RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR DMT/148 OF 17 NOV (.)  
N I L PERSONNEL OF PIONEER ~~ASSAULT~~ ASSAULT SECS FOLLOWER  
GROUP HAVE BEEN TRAINED AT SNE (.) ALL TWELVE SECS. THEREFORE REQUIRE  
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Reference DMT/194 of 20 Nov (.) Maj. GADSON CSC II 54 BLU  
will call next few days to arrange for collection MANTOVA  
training stores as required

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Reference DMT/146 of 17 Nov (.) Regret no trace  
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Subject: Courses - Assault Pioneer Secs.

52 British Liaison Unit  
CMF

18 Nov 44.

Land Forces Sub-Comm AC (MDIA)

A/3/41.

Ref your S/G/29/10 of 12 Nov 44.

It is considered that the training of the Pioneer Assault  
secs can best be done within the Gruppo, and no outside courses  
are required.

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Lieut Col  
G.S.O.I.

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Confirm if and what interpreters required for Infantry course commencing 12 Dec (.). At present interpreters alerted only for course in Platoon weapons commencing 18 Dec (.). DMT 20 of 8 Nov refers

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Reference DMT/148 of 17 Nov (.) In making arrangements through  
DMT for training assault Pioneer Sections at SME send copy  
MMIA for information (.) This cancels S/O/29/10 to 52. 53. 54 BLU

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RESTRICTED (.) THE SUBJECT IS TRG OF PIONEER ASSAULT  
SEC PERSONNEL IN MINE LAYING AND LIFTING (.) FIRST (.) SUBMIT FIGURES OF  
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BE TRAINED (.) THIRD (.) ALL FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR TRG TO BE MADE THROUGH  
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TO MMIA

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE PHGCT 161855  
TO MMIA  
F 53500 RESTRICTED

Cancel our F 50929 dated 10 Nov in reply to your  
SS 298 of 9 Nov (.). Considered desirable all  
arrangements between BLIB and A SME be made through  
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FROM 50BLU 181745A

TO DMT ADNAP

INFO MMIA -- SME

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REF YOUR DMT/148 DATED 17 NOV NOT TO SME. GII(TRG) SAW DMT AND ADMT ABOUT 5 NOV AND STATED HE COULD GET NO PNR TRG DONE. ~~MMIA~~ DMT INSTR GII(TRG) TO SEND TWO TELEGRAMS ONE TO MMIA ONE TO SME ~~QUOTING~~ QUOTING DMT AS AUTHY AND REQUESTING ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN REF PNR TRG. MMIA REPLY CONTAINED IMSS294 DATED 9 NOV TO ALL ADDRESSEES. BECAUSE OF SHORTNESS OF TIME ARRANGEMENTS WERE THEN MADE IMMEDIATELY DIRECT WITH SME WHO OBLIGED BY PROVIDING FOUR DAY COURSES WHICH ENDS TODAY. ALL PERSONNEL OF INF ASSAULT PNE SECT NOW TRAINED AS FAR AS THEY CAN BE IN FOUR DAYS AT SME.

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SUBJECT: Training of Infantry Instrs for KAPOVA & PIZZO Combat Groups.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
AFHQ OMV

Tel : 11656

DW/134/MT.2  
Copy to :- DW/55/5/MT.1

12 Nov 44.

Q(AN) AFHQ.

Copy to ~~AFHQ~~ (Your S/O/29/40 dated 2 Nov 44 refers).

*S/Sec.*  
*15/11*  
*3/16*

*16 Nov*

1. Attached is the SERE's plan ref 1400 A/43 AD dated 28 Oct 44 for the training of Infantry Instructors for KAPOVA & PIZZO Italian Combat Groups.
2. Will it be possible to allot training material for these courses?
3. The following scales are suggested as suitable :-

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Rifles No.4           | 70 |
| Bren 135's (complete) |    |
| (with mags etc)       | 12 |
| TRUMP's do            | 12 |
| PIATS                 | 6  |
| 2" Mortar             | 3  |
| 3" Mortar             | 6  |

4. None of the above equipment can be supplied from the Training Scales of Equipment at present held by LEBBANO and POLKORE Groups as these are fully employed and no G.1098 Scales have so far been issued.
5. It is suggested that if it is possible to issue the above equipment it should be issued against the G.1098 Scales for the KAPOVA Italian Combat Group.
6. This matter is of the utmost importance as it is essential to have the cadres trained with the least possible delay.

*W.D. 16 Nov 44*

Wrig.,  
D.M.T.

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TRANSLATION

FROM : SSS (Training)

Ref : 1400 A/18 AND

TO :

23 October 1944

Copy to : MAIA

SUBJECT : Training of Infantry Instructors for MANTOVA and PIGNO Combat Groups.

1. Two courses will be held for the training of Infantry Instructors of MANTOVA and PIGNO Combat Groups:

- Platoon weapons
- 3" Mortar

LOCALITY: S. GIORGIO DEL SAVIO (MANTOVA COMBAT GROUP HQ)

DURATION: 3 weeks

OPENING DATE: to be stipulated in due course.

2. The Combat Groups concerned will forward to a/m locality, officers, NCOs and ORs who are to attend the courses as follows:

Platoon Weapons : 20 Officers and 15 NCOs and ORs.

3" Mortars : 10 Officers and 15 NCOs and ORs.

3. Teaching personnel: will be sent to a/m locality by SSRS (Secretary and personnel office) and by PRULI and CASSINA Combat Groups as follows;

- Platoon Weapons Course
- Officer I/C of course: COL CARTELLA GIUSEPPE.
- Instructors: Lt. Col. LIGORIO GERARDO  
5 Officers and 8 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PIGNO groups who attended courses at REVERETO (actually attached to PRULI and CASSINA Combat Groups).

- 3" Mortar Course

- Officer I/C of course COL ARZUFFI GIUSEPPE

- Instructors: CAPT ASPALLA MAURO  
5 Officers and 5 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PIGNO Groups that attended courses at REVERETO (actually attached to

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OPENING DATE: to be stipulated in due course.

2. The Combat Groups concerned will forward to a/m locality, officers, NCOs and GRs who are to attend the courses as follows :-

Platoon Weapons : 20 Officers and 15 NCOs and GRs.

3" Mortars : 10 Officers and 15 NCOs and GRs.

3. Teaching personnel: will be sent to a/m locality by SSGS (Secretary and personnel officer) and by PRIMEI and CEMENIA Combat Groups as follows;

- Platoon Weapons Course
- Officer I/C of course: Col CARPENTIERA Sincroppo.
- Instructors: Lt.Col. LIBERTI GIANNINO  
3 Officers and 8 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PIGNO groups who attended courses at MANTOVA (actually attached to PRIMEI and CEMENIA Combat Groups).
- 3" Mortar Course
- Officer I/C of course Col ANGELELLI GIUSEPPE 2092
- Instructors: Capt. ASPALIA MARIO  
3 Officers and 3 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PIGNO groups that attended courses at MANTOVA (actually attached to PRIMEI and CEMENIA Combat Groups).

4. Apart from a/m courses, a first orientation on tactical training with new weapons will be given to officers, NCOs and GRs of MANTOVA and PIGNO Combat Groups, by practical-applied instructions in the field, to improve the training a/o officers had at MANTOVA - these officers will be posted to following Hqs on November 10th:

|                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lt-Col Gen Staff SCURO ARISTIDE     | MANTOVA   |
| Lt-Col Gen Staff CERRASCO LUIGI     | COMBAT    |
| MAJ. Inf. PENNABENE VITTORIO        | GROUP HQ. |
| MAJ. Inf. SESTRA MARIO              |           |
| Lt-Col Gen Staff TROVATI 3 BATTISTA |           |
| Lt-Col Inf MESSINA ASPIERO          | PIGNO     |
| MAJ Inf CASARELLI TULLIO            | COMBAT    |
| MAJ Inf GIUDICE SALVATORE           | GROUP HQ  |

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5. Courses as at para 2 will be under supervision of CO of MANTOVA Combat Group; who will organize courses in agreement with CINEPANIA Military Command. Training as at para 4 will be carried out under the supervision of the Combat Group Comdrs concerned.

6. FIJOLI and CINEPANIA HQs will arrange movement to MANTOVA and PICHIO Combat Groups of Instructor Officers as at para 3 and of senior officers as at para 4, actually at same Groups, as soon as MANTOVA and PICHIO Combat Groups will reach BENEVENTO area.

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Gen. BERARDI

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SUBJECT: Courses for Assault Pioneer Sections.

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Land Forces Sub-Com. A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)

5/6/29/10  
12 Nov 19 44

TO : 52, 53, 54 BLU's.

Please inform this H.Q. of what training you consider is required for the Assault Section in the Pioneer Platoon of the Support Coy, and whether you require courses at the S.M.E. If so, give details and suggested dates.

  
Major General  
M.M.I.A.

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FROM ~~101945A~~ 101945A

TO NMIA

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RESTRICTED PROPOSAL IN YOUR S S TWO NINE EIGHT DATED NINE NOVEMBER THAT  
ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN BIAS AND ONE BE MADE DIRECT IS APPROVED PD  
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TO AFHQ

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Subject is training in mine laying, clearing, etc. for pioneer assault sections to be organised in Pioneer Platoon of Infantry Bn Support Coy Italian Combat Group (.). Each section comprises sgt, 3 pioneers, driver, total of 12 sections per Combat Group (.). Time very short for FIGHII and CHEROIA so request you approve arrangements being made direct between HUs and SMC CAPUA (.). Letter follows in respect of courses for other Groups

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FROM DMT ADNAP 051500A  
TO HQ MMIA ROME

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DMT/971 RESTRICTED (.) PLEASE ARRANGE ASSISTANCE BY SME CAPUA FOR  
ASSAULT PIONEER WORK (.) MATTER OF URGENCY

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from: SMRE / Training /

To: Sec addresses

Copy to: M.M. 1A.

Translation

ref. 1519/A.18/Adid.

1 November 44

Subject: Training of Inf instructors for Mantova & Poleso Combat Groups.

Para 4, 5, 6 of SMRE circular ref. 1400/A.18/Adid dated October 27th are modified as follows:

④ ~~Ref~~ Indifferently from a/m courses, for a first tactical training with new weapons, officers, NCOs & ORs of Mantova Combat Group will attend, at the same time, practical field training, & be taught by a/m officers who attended school at BENEVENTO. - Same officers will join Mantova Combat Group as soon as it will be ~~reassigned~~ in BENEVENTO area:

Lt. Col. Inf. SCURO Amstole

" " " TROVATI G. BATTISTA

" " Arty CREMASCO LUIGI

⑤ Courses & training as at preceding paragraphs will be carried out under the supervision

4) ~~The~~ Independent from a few courses, for a first tactical training with new weapons, officers, NCOs & ORs of Mantova Combat Group will attend, at the same time, practical field training, & be taught by upm officers who attended school at BENEVENTO. - Same officers will join Mantova Combat Group as soon as it will be ~~reassigned~~ in BENEVENTO area.

Lt. Col. Inf. SCURO Aristide

" " " TROVATI G. Battista

" " " Arty CREMASCO Luigi

5) Courses & training as at preceding paragraphs will be carried out under the supervision of the commanden of Mantova Combat Group who will organise courses in agreement with CAMPANIA military command.

6) FRULLI & CREMONA Combat Group HQs will arrange movement ~~of~~ to Mantova Combat Group - as soon as it will be in BENEVENTO area - of instructor officers as at para 3 & of senior officers as at para 4 actually attached to a fm Group.

P.T.O

Cremona Combat Group HQ will arrange  
for return to SMRE of the following officers.

Lt. Col. Inf. MESSINA ASTOLFO

Major " GUIDICE SALVATORE

who will be put at the disposal of Moll  
personnel General Directorate, by SMRE.

*Reddy*

Gen. BEARD

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO  
Ufficio Addestramento

H.1519/A.18/Add. di prot.

Roma

novembre 1944.

OGGETTO: formazione istruttori di fanteria per gruppi di combattimento "Mantova" e "Piceno".

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CALABRIA  
AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA CAMPANIA  
AL COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "Mantova"  
AL COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "Friuli"  
AL COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "Cremona"  
AL COLONNELLO FERRARA ARTURO

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Sottocommiss. per l'Esercito  
A S.E. IL MINISTRO DELLA GUERRA  
A S.E. IL CAPO DI STATO MAGG. GENERALE  
A S.E. IL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI

S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO:

- Ufficio Segreteria e Personale
- Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

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I capi 4° 5° e 6° della circolare di questo S.M. n.1400/A.18 in data 27 ottobre scorso sono modificati come segue:

4° - Indipendentemente dai corsi di cui sopra, per un primo orientamento sull'addestramento tattico conseguente al nuovo armamento, agli ufficiali, sottufficiali e graduati del Gruppo Combattimento "Mantova" saranno parallelamente svolte istruzioni pratiche applicative sul terreno, per la divulgazione delle nozioni apprese dai sottostati ufficiali a Benevento. Gli ufficiali stessi raggiungeranno il comando Gruppo Combattimento "Mantova" allorché il Gruppo stesso si trasferirà nel Beneventano:

- Ten.Col.ftr. SCURO Aristide
- Ten.Col.ftr. TROVATI G. Battista
- Ten.Col.art. CREMASCO Luigi

5° - I corsi e le istruzioni di cui ai numeri precedenti saranno svolti sotto la direzione del Comandante del Gruppo di Combattimento "Mantova" che ne curerà la organizzazione d'intesa col Comando Militare della Campania.

AL COLONNELLO FERRARA ARTURO

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M.M.I.A. -Sottocommiss. per l'Esercito = S E D E =  
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ti sotto la direzione del Comandante del Gruppo di Combattimento  
"Mantova" che ne curerà la organizzazione d'intesa col Comando  
Militare della Compagnia.

6° - I comandi Gruppo Combattimento "Triuli" e "Cremona" sono pregati  
di disporre l'avviamento al Gruppo Combattimento "Mantova" all'at-  
to del suo arrivo nel Benevento- degli ufficiali istruttori di  
cui al n.3 e degli ufficiali superiori di cui al n.4 attualmente  
comandati presso i Gruppi stessi.

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Transcribed by [signature]  
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Il Comando Gruppo Combattimento "Cremona" farà senza ritardo rientrare a questa sede i seguenti ufficiali:

- Ten.Col. ftr. MESSINA Astolfo
- Maggiore ftr. CIUDICE Salvatore

che, a cura dell'ufficio segreteria e personale di questo S.M., saranno segnalati disponibili per altro incarico alla direzione generale personale ufficiali del Ministero Guerra.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
P/to: P. Berardi

P. C. C.  
IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO

- G. Ferreri

T.C. *Ca Fonelli*

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FROM IMT ADIAP

081700

TO HQ MEMA

INFO HQ CMTG HQ 52 BLU HQ 9 53 BLU

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Ref your S/G/29/10 dated 2 Nov (.) FIRST (.) TAC course arranged for junior leaders at CMTG from 12 to 22 Dec for 25 students each LEGNANO and FOLGORE (.) This arranged direct with 52 and 53 BLUS (.) SECOND (.) PL weapons course at CMTG for 12 offrs and 24 NTCs will run from 18 Dec to 10 Jan and not from 11 to 23 Dec as previously suggested (.) Students assemble CMTG 16 Dec disperse 11 Jan (.) Essential same interpreters attend as on previous PL weapons courses (.) Agree students to go from rif depot and 5 senior offrs observers from each MANTOVA and PICENO Gps (.) Subjects same as for previous PL weapons courses (.) THIRD (.) Agree SMRE plan for trg of inf instructors for MANTOVA and PICENO Gps (.) Forward urgently details of trg material required

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29/10

from. SMRE (Training) *Translation* ref. 1604 A/2/ADD.  
 to. MMIA 6 November 44  
 Subject: Personal report on CMTC students

With ref. to letter SG/29/10 dated 3rd inst.,  
 we confirm that the classification method for  
 personnel that attended <sup>CMTC</sup> courses, has been  
 understood & correctly interpreted. -

Capt. GUARNIERI has been clarified excellent  
 & has moreover been informed to day of  
 classification. -

Gen. SANTI

*[Signature]*

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STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO  
UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO

n°I604 A/2 prot.ADE. P.M.151, 6 Novembre 1944.  
OGGETTO: Rapporto personale studenti C.M.T.C.

ALLA M.M.I.A.  
(rif.SG/29/10 del 3 corr.)

Roma

In esito al foglio a riferimento, si assicura che il metodo di classificazione del personale che ha frequentato i corsi presso il C.M.T.C. è stato compreso ed interpretato correttamente.

Al Capitano GUARNIERI è stata attribuita la classifica di ottimo e di ciò è stata data comunicazione all'interessato in data odierna.

IL GENERALE ADDETTO  
(A.Santi)

Traslati M.  
A. Santi

9/11/44

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SUBJECT: Reports on Italian Interpreters.  
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Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)

S/G/29/10  
6 Nov 44

Ministry of War.  
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1. Attached are reports on Italian Officers and Interpreters who attended courses at the Weapon Training School.
2. It will be seen that their services have been much appreciated.

*Adella*  
for Major R.A.  
Major General  
Military Mission Italian Army

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SUBJECT : Reports on Italian Interpreters.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
AFHQ CMT

Tel : 16282

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M.M.I.A.

Please find herewith reports on the Italian Officers and Interpreters who attended courses for Italians held at Weapon Training School.

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MAGGIORE BOTTARI Oscar.

Attended the WHAFOW TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in 3" Mortar Training.

"This Officer took a conscientious interest and  
worked hard throughout both courses, maintaining his  
enthusiasm. He has himself acquired a very fair  
knowledge and is capable of supervising and directing  
training in the 3" Mortar.

He is recommended for such employment on the  
Directing Staff of the Italian Divisional Groups  
now under training."

25 Oct 44.

*W. Foster Shumwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTB C.M.T.C.

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MAGGIORI. VACCHINI. Filippo.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in 3<sup>rd</sup> Mortar Training.

"This Officer applied himself very well to his  
task. He showed sustained keenness throughout both courses.

He has himself acquired a good knowledge of this  
British Weapon and its employment, and is capable of  
supervising and directing training in the Italian  
Divisional Groups now under Training.

Recommended for employment on the Directing Staff."

25 Oct 44.

*W. Foster Sumner*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CMC.

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MAGGIORE MONETTI Constantino.

Attended the WEATON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in 3" Mortar Training.

"Showed himself to be a good Interpreter capable  
of imparting Instruction, and maintaining control and  
discipline.

He should prove of value to the Italian Divisional  
Groups now under Training as a Supervisor and is  
recommended for employment in such a capacity on the  
Directing Staff."

*W. Foster Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CMTC.

25 Oct 44.

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MAGGIONE GALOFR. Joseph.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in 5" Mortar Training.

"Has shown himself to be a very good Interpreter who  
has been very keen and helpful throughout both courses.

Has himself acquired a good knowledge. He is fully  
capable of supervising and directing training in this  
weapon in the Italian Divisional Groups now under training.

Recommended for employment on the Directing Staff".

25 Oct 44.

*W. Foster Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CTRC.

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SOTTOTENENTE GIBILEI. Gino.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"He has a fair knowledge of English and has carried  
out his Interpreters Instructional duties well. He has  
himself acquired a good knowledge of British Infantry  
Weapons. He sustained his keenness throughout both courses.

Recommended that he be employed in a Staff Appointment  
in a supervising and advising capacity to the Italian  
Divisional Groups now under training.

His ability and initiative is assessed as being  
above a Sotto Tenente."

25 Oct 44.

*W. Foster Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CMT.C.

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CAPITANO. CAPO. Vincenzo.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"He has a fair knowledge of English and has shown  
sustained keenness throughout both courses. He has  
Interpreted Instruction well and has himself acquired  
a good knowledge of British Infantry Weapons.

It is recommended that he would be most usefully  
employed in a Staff Appointment where he can supervise and  
advise on the Training in British Weapon Training Methods  
to the Italian Divisional Groups now under training.

He would be wasted as a mere squad Instructor".

*W. Foster Gunnwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant,  
FTS CMTC

25 Oct 44.

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MAJOR GREGO. Dino.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.F.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"His knowledge of English is limited. He does not  
pay sufficient attention to the maintenance of strict  
discipline and control so necessary to good instruction.  
His interpretation of instruction has been satisfactory  
and good results have been achieved by his squads.

He has not the complete Technical Knowledge of  
British Weapons nor has he shown the activity required  
to recommend him as being suitable for a Divisional  
Weapon Training Staff Appointment."

*W. Foster Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant  
WTS CMFC.

25 Oct 44.

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TECHNICAL. CECCHINI. Ladovico.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two  
courses in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"He speaks very fair English and has interpreted  
the instruction accurately. He does not pay sufficient  
attention to the maintenance of strict discipline and  
control.

Although he displayed keenness, he has not acquired  
a sufficient knowledge of British Weapons to recommend  
him for a Staff Appointment as a Divisional Weapon  
Training Adviser.

His capacity is that of an Interpreter."

25 Oct 44.

*W. Foster Greenwood*  
Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CMTC.

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TRAINER. ROMIO. Vito.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.F.C.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"He speaks quite good English, is patient and  
maintains control and discipline. He has been keen  
and has himself acquired a good technical knowledge  
of training in British Infantry Weapons.

It is considered that this Officer could be very  
usefully employed in a Staff Appointment supervising  
and advising on Weapon Training in the Italian  
Divisional Groups under formation. He would be wasted  
as a mere Interpreter."

25 Oct 44.

*W. J. G. Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WFB GATO.

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SOTTOTENENTE. PARMER. Gisharto.

Attended the WEAPON TRAINING SCHOOL - C.M.T.O.  
from 24 Aug 44 to 12 Oct 44, as an Interpreter to two courses  
in Infantry Platoon Weapons Training.

"He speaks English very well and from the first day of  
his arrival he showed the greatest enthusiasm which was  
sustained throughout. He worked extremely hard not only  
during official parade hours, but in his spare time.

He has himself acquired a very good knowledge of  
British Infantry Weapons and the Instructional System.

He was ever ready to assume responsibility and in  
fact became the Directing Interpreter. He was of the  
utmost assistance throughout both courses.

I consider that this Officer should immediately  
be employed in a Staff Appointment to direct and supervise  
Weapon Training in Italian Divisional Groups, now under  
training.

He has shown outstanding ability and leadership  
and I have no hesitation in recommending his promotion  
to the rank of CAPTAIN. He is entirely wasted in his  
present junior rank."

*W. Foster Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTA CMTC.

25 Oct 44.

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COLONNELLO CARPITELLA Giuseppe.

Colonel Carpitella attended both series of courses held at this Weapon Training School. His services as Chief Interpreter and Liaison Officer were most helpful in every way.

His personal efforts to ensure that the courses should be a success did much to achieve this object.

He has absorbed the system of training in British Infantry Weapons and this knowledge should be of a great benefit to the Italian Divisional Groups now under training.

25 Oct 44.

*W. Fuller Lumwood*  
Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CWO.

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COLONNELLO . RAVAGLI Mario.

Although Colonel Ravagli was not under my direct jurisdiction during the series of courses held at this Weapon Training School during the period 24 August 44 to 12 October 44, it is desired to record how extremely helpful he has been in every respect.

The maintenance of a satisfactory standard of discipline and a sustained keenness by Officers and N.C.Os. to fulfil their purpose was very largely due to his personal guidance and influence.

His administrative arrangements and close liaison were such that the smooth running and successful conduct of both series of courses was entirely satisfactory.

*D. L. L. Greenwood*

Lt. Col.  
Commandant.  
WTS CMTC.

25 Oct 44.

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SUBJECT: Infantry Training Part VIII.

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

2/0/29/10  
3 November 1944

TO : DET AFHQ.

/ WP  
In reply to your DET/55/411.

A translation of the relevant parts of this pamphlet is being made jointly by LEGHARD and FULGORE Groups. As soon as the typescript is available we will get it published by the S.M.R.E. and distributed.

Major General  
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SUBJECT: Students Reports CMTC.  
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Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.  
(E.M.I.A.)

S/C/29/10

3 Nov 44  
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TO : Ministry of War.  
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1. The attached letter CMTC/41/G from the Officer Commanding CMTC is forwarded for SMRE, Copy Comando 119 Reggimento Fanteria "EMILIA".

2. It will be seen from this correspondence that Captain GUARNIERI's results on his course were by no means unsatisfactory, and the officer commanding CMTC is anxious that a false impression should be corrected.

WP

f Major General  
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SUBJECT: Training of Infantry Instructors

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.  
(M.M.I.A.)  
File No. S/O/29/10  
2 Nov 44

TO : DMT AFHQ

1. Attached is the SMRE's plan, ref 1400 A/18 ADD of 28 October, for the training of Infantry Instructors for MANTOVA and PICENO Groups.
2. Will it be possible to allot training material for these Courses? As you know a large part of the PICENO is to be used as CARABINIERI until the end of the year, but it is planned to concentrate the Group and Regimental H.Q.'s in the CERIGNOLA area, and it would be valuable to have the cadres trained and start training reinforcements before the whole Group re-forms. MANTOVA will move into present FRIULI area when FRIULI move out.
3. Reference your DMT/886 of 28 October SMRE propose that the course from 11 to 23 Dec at the CMTC should be for Officers and NCO's to be allotted to the Reinforcement Depot, with 6 Senior Officers as observers from each of the MANTOVA and PICENO Groups.  
SMRE would provide 4 interpreters, with Col RAVAGLI.  
Please confirm if you agree, and what subjects the course would cover.
4. SMRE has asked if it could be arranged for Col. BELARDINI, the commandant of the Military Academy at LACCE to visit the CMTC. We have told them that this could be done most easily through Col. RAVAGLI during the above course.

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Major General  
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: C.M.T.C.

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SUBJECT:- St Cents Reports - CMTC.

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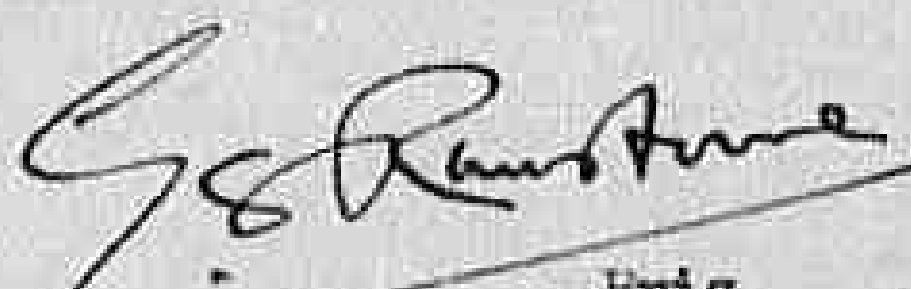
30 Oct 44.

Col W.G. PIDSLEY, DSO MC,  
M.M.I.A.  
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Please find attached copy of letter from  
OC 119 Infantry Regiment No. 3241/Ris dated 26 Oct  
and a letter from this HQ to Stato Maggiore R ESE CITO  
which is requested you will forward and see that the  
matter is put right.

It is possible that the high standard expected at  
British Schools is not understood and that an explanation  
by you might save further incidents of this nature from  
occurring.

MD/HR.

  
Brig  
Comd CM Trg Centre.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020TRANSLATIONFROM : SMRE (Training)

TO :

Copy to: MMIARef : 1400 A/18 ADD  
28 October 1944SUBJECT: Training of Infantry Instructors for MANTOVA and  
PICENO Combat Groups

1. Two courses will be held for the training of Infantry Instructors of MANTOVA and PICENO Combat Groups:

- Platoon weapons
- 3" Mortar

LOCALITY: S. GIORGIO DEL SANNIO (MANTOVA COMBAT GROUP HQ)

DURATION: 3 WeeksOPENING DATE: to be stipulated in due course.

2. The Combat Groups concerned will forward to a/m locality, officers, NCOs and ORs who are to attend the courses, as follows:

Platoon Weapons: 20 Officers and 15 NCOs and ORs  
3" Mortars : 10 Officers and 15 NCOs and ORs

3. Teaching personnel: will be sent to a/m locality by S.M.R.E. (Secretary and personnel office) and by TRIULI and CREMONA Combat Groups: as follows;

- Platoon Weapons Course
- Officer I/C of course: Col. CARPITELLA Giuseppe.
- Instructors: Lt. Col. LIBERTI GERARDO  
3 Officers and 8 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PICENO Groups who attended courses at BENEVENTO (actually attached to TRIULI and CREMONA Combat Groups)
- 3" Mortar Course
- Officer I/C of course: Col. CARPITELLA Giuseppe.

DURATION: 3 WeeksOPENING DATE: to be stipulated in due course.

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3 Officers and 8 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PICENO Groups who attended courses at BENEVENTO (actually attached to TRIULI and CREMONA Combat Groups)

- 3" Mortar Course

- Officer I/C of course: Col. ANGELINI GIUSEPPE

- Instructors: Capt. ALPAIA MARIO  
3 Officers and 3 NCOs of each MANTOVA and PICENO Groups that attended courses at BENEVENTO (actually attached to TRIULI and CREMONA Combat Groups).

4. Apart from a/m courses, a first orientation on tactical training with new weapons will be given to officers, NCOs and ORs of MANTOVA and PICENO Combat Groups, by practical-applied instructions in the field, to improve the training a/m Officers had at BENEVENTO - These Officers will be posted to following HQs on November 10th:

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|----------------------------------------|---------|
| Lt. Col. Gen Staff SCURO ARISTIDE )    |         |
| Lt. Col. Gen Staff CREMASCO LUIGI )    | MANTOVA |
| Maj. Inf. PESSABENE VITTORIO)          | COMBAT  |
| Maj. Inf. SERPA MARCO )                | GROUP   |
|                                        | HQ.     |
| Lt. Col. Gen Staff PROVATI G BATTISTA) |         |
| Lt. Col. Inf. MESSINA ASTOLFO )        | PICENO  |
| Maj. Inf. CASTELLI TULLIO )            | COMBAT  |
| Maj. Inf. CRUDICE SALVATORE )          | GROUP   |
|                                        | HQ.     |

5. Courses as at para 2 will be under supervision of C/O of MANTOVA Combat Group; who will organise courses in agreement with CAMPANIA Military Command. Training as at para 4 will be carried out under the supervision of the Combat Group Comdres concerned.

6. FRIULI and CREMONA HQs will arrange movement to MANTOVA and PICENO Combat Groups of instructor Officers as at para 3 and of senior officers as at para 4, actually at same Groups, as soon as MANTOVA and PICENO Combat Groups will reach BENEVENTO area.

Gen. BERARDI

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SUBJECT: Trg Italian Divs

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
AFHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DMT/55/MT1

27 Oct 44

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Reference this Directorate's recommendation that Inf Pamphlet No VIII on Battle Drill be translated contained in para 3 (c) DMT/55/MT1 dated 3 Oct.

Will you please say whether you intend to translate it or not as a number of enquiries have been received from Training Increments.

HMF/he

I will cope  
WP

W. F. Elliott  
Brig,  
D.M.T.

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STATO MAGGIORE E. ESERCITO  
Ufficio Addestramento

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OGGETTO: Formazione istruttori di fanteria per gruppi combattimento MANTOVA e PIZENO

*formation of infantry instructors for combat groups*

AL COMANDO MILITARE CALABRIA  
AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA  
AL COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA  
AL COMANDO GR. SOLE. MANTOVA  
AL COMANDO GR. COB. PICELLO  
AL COMANDO GR. COB. TRIULI  
AL COMANDO GR. COB. CREMONA  
AL COLONNELLO ANGELINI  
AL COLONNELLO FERRARA  
AL COLONNELLO CAIPITELLA

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA M.M.I.A.

A S.L. IL MINISTRO DELLA GUERRA  
A S.E. IL CAPO DI S.M. GENERALE  
A S.I. IL 1° ADIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGGIO

ALLO S.A.R.E.

- Ufficio Segreteria e Personale  
- Ufficio Ord. e Mobilitazione

1°) - Per la formazione degli istruttori di fanteria dei gruppi combattimento MANTOVA e PIZENO saranno svolti due corsi:

- armi di plotone.

- mortaio da 3 pollici.

Località: S. Giorgio del Sannio (sede di comando del gr. cob. Mantova)

Durata: 3 settimane.

Data di inizio: riserva di ordini.

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AL COLONNELLO ANGELINI  
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AL COLONNELLO FERRARA  
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AL COLONNELLO CARPITELLA  
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e, per conoscenza:

ALLA K.M.I.A.

A S.S. IL MINISTRO DELLA GUERRA  
A S.S. IL CAPO DI S.M. GENERALE  
A S.S. IL 1° AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE  
ALLI DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE  
NEPANE DEL REGNO  
ALLO S.M.R.J.  
- Ufficio Segreteria e Personale  
- Ufficio Ord. e Mobilitazione

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1°) - Per la formazione degli istruttori di fanteria dei gruppi combattimento ANTONA e FICANO saranno svolti due corsi:

- armi di plotone.
- mortaio da 3 pollici.

Località: S. Giorgio del Samaro (sede di comando del gr. comb. Antova)

Durata: 3 settimane.

Data di inizio: riserva di ordini.

2°) - Nella località indicata dovranno affluire - a cura del gr. comb. interessati - gli ufficiali, sottufficiali e graduati che debbono frequentare i corsi, nella seguente misura per ciascuno:

armi di plotone: 20 ufficiali e 15 sottuff. e graduati  
mortaio 3 pollici: 10 ufficiali e 15 sottuff. e graduati

3°) - Personale istruttore: sarà avviato in posto da questo S.M. (ufficio segreteria e personale) e dai comandi gr. combattimento Friuli e Cremona, come segue:

- corso armi di plotone:  
direttore: Colonnello CARPITELLA Giuseppe.

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istruzioni: ten.col. LIBERTI GERARDO

3 ufficiali e 8 sottufficiali di ciascuno  
dei gr.comb. Mantova e Piacenza che frequentano  
no i corsi di Benevento (ora comandati pres-  
so gr.comb. Friuli e Cremona)

- corso portato da 3 pollici:

direttore: Colonnello ANGELINI GIUSEPPE  
istruzioni: Capitano ALPAIA LILIO

3 ufficiali e 3 sottufficiali di ciascuno dei  
gr.comb. Mantova e Piacenza che frequentano i  
corsi di Benevento (ora comandati presso gr.  
comb. Friuli e Cremona).

4°) - Indipendentemente dai corsi di cui sopra, per un primo  
orientamento sull'addestramento tattico conseguente al nuo-  
vo armamento, agli ufficiali, sottufficiali e graduati  
dei gr.comb. Mantova e Piacenza saranno parallelamente svol-  
te istruzioni pratico-applicative sul terreno, per la di-  
vulgazione delle nozioni apprese dai sottotenenti ufficia-  
li a Benevento. Gli ufficiali stessi si trasferiranno pre-  
sso i comandi a fianco di ciascuno indicati il 10 novembre  
P.V.:

|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Ten. Col. S.M. SCURO ARISTIDE      |                  |
| Ten. Col. S.M. CEMASCO LUIGI       | comando gr.comb. |
| Mag. ftr. PENSARENE VINCENZO       | ) MANTOVA        |
| Mag. ftr. SLAMA MARCO              |                  |
| Ten. Col. S.M. TROVATI G. BATTISTA |                  |
| Ten. Col. ftr. LESSINA ASTORIO     | comando gr.comb. |
| Mag. ftr. CASSELLI TULLIO          | ) PIACENZA       |
| Mag. ftr. GIUDICI SALVATORE        |                  |

5°) - I corsi di cui al n°2 saranno svolti sotto la direzione  
del comandante il gr.comb. Mantova; ne curerà anche la  
organizzazione d'intesa col Comandante militare della Campa-  
nia. L'addestramento di cui al n.4 si svolgerà sotto la  
direzione dei comandanti di gr. comb. interessati.

6°) - I comandi gr.comb. Friuli e Cremona sono pregati di porre  
l'avviso al gr.comb. Mantova e Piacenza degli ufficiali

corsi di Benevento (ora comandati presso gr. comb. Friuli e Cremona).

40) = Indipendentemente dai corsi di cui sopra, per un primo orientamento sull'addestramento tattico conseguente al nuovo armamento, agli ufficiali, sottufficiali e graduati dei gr. comb. Mantova e Piceno saranno parallelamente svolte istruzioni pratico-applicative sul terreno, per la divulgazione delle nozioni apprese dai sottotenenti ufficiali di Benevento. Gli ufficiali stessi si trasferiranno prima ai comandi a Piceno di ciascuno indicati al 10 novembre P.V.:

|                                   |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Ten. Col. S.M. SCURO ARISTIDE     | ) comando gr. comb. |
| Ten. Col. S.M. CREMASCO LUIGI     | )                   |
| Magg. ftr. RENSARDNE VITTORIO     | ) MANTOVA           |
| Magg. ftr. SERA MARCO             | )                   |
| Ten. Col. S.M. TROVATI G. LAFFISA | ) comando gr. comb. |
| Ten. Col. ftr. LESSINA ASTOLFO    | )                   |
| Magg. ftr. CASSELLI TULLIO        | ) PICENO            |
| Magg. ftr. GIUDICIA SALVATORE     | )                   |

50) - I corsi di cui al n°2 saranno svolti sotto la direzione del comandante il gr. comb. Mantova; ne curerà anche la organizzazione d'intesa col Comandante militare della Campagna. L'addestramento di cui al n.4 si svolgerà sotto la direzione dei comandanti di gr. comb. interessati.

60) - I comandi gr. comb. Friuli e Cremona sono pregati di disporre l'avvicinamento al gr. comb. Mantova e Piceno degli ufficiali istruttori di cui al n.3 e degli ufficiali superiori di cui al n.4 attualmente comandati presso i gr. stessi, al momento dell'arrivo nel Benevento del gr. comb. Mantova e Piceno.

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
f.to P. Lerardi

P. C. C.  
IL COLONNELLO L. S. DI S.S.  
CAPO UFFICIO ADDESTRAMENTO  
- G. Ferreri -



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SUBJECT: The Italian Ground

CONFIDENTIAL

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING  
DPM, GMP

Tel: 11667

DE/55/MT1

18 Oct 44

HQ GMP GMP

Copy to: 52 HJ, GMP  
53 HJ, GMP  
HQ MIA GMP

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Reference the attached recommendation and communication  
Brigadier BASTINUS - Colonel TROSTOCK, and DE/55/MT1 dated 3 Oct 44,  
para 4.

Will you consider whether you are able to carry out the course  
suggested in the attached (74 HJ reference 8/6/43 of 10 Oct 44, and  
detailed organization of the rifle platoon), and communicate direct with  
52 and 53 HJs GMP on the subject, copy to this Directorate. Dates of  
the course and the numbers to attend should be arranged direct with the  
HJs.

It is to be understood that the HJs will provide interpreters  
among the officers attending.

Please return attached correspondence.

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From : MMIA  
 To : INT ADMAP

Date - Time

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SECRET

Reference your INT/707 of 14 Oct (.) Paren ROME Area \_\_\_\_\_ Paren (.) Can three weeks course in platoon weapons be arranged from 20 Nov for 12 offrs 14 NCOs instructors to be selected as required from Groups and reinforcement Depot (.) Also course for 12 senior offrs as observers at same time (.) No English speakers available for British courses (.) 6 offrs and 11 NCO instructors from MANTOVA ditto from VICENT are at present with FRIULI and CREMONA and will be available to train own Cadres when FRIULI and CREMONA move

Precedence ROUTINE

Authenticating  
 Officer \_\_\_\_\_

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM**

Register No. *V 17/10*

Transmission Instructions

Priority

Srl. No.

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**FROM**

(A)

D.L.T. ADNAP

Originator

Date-Time of Origin.

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Office Date Stamp

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For Action.

121A CMT

*29/10.*

**TO**

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

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Originator's No. *DET/707.*

RESTRICTED (.) REGRET THAT NOT NOW ABLE TO RUN A COURSE  
FOR 20 OFFERS AND 30 NCOS AS REQUESTED IN YOUR SS. 153 DATED  
6 OCT LIE TO FACT THAT TWO PLATOON WEAPONS COURSES FOR  
BRITISH WERE CANCELLED FOR ITALIAN COURSES ALREADY RUN (.)  
SAME APPLIES 12 TACTICAL OFFERS (.) ENGLISH SPEAKING OFFERS  
AND NCOS CAN BE ACCEPTED ON NORMAL BRITISH COURSES SUBJECT  
TO PRIORITY AFTER BRITISH UNITS (.) LETTER ON SUBJECT  
FOLLOWS (.) PLEASE SIGNAL YOUR REQUIREMENTS FOR NEXT AVAILABLE  
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ARMY FORM (2136 (Small)

## MESSAGE FORM

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Date Time of Origin

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For Action

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TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

OFFICE DATE

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| MEMO       | 8/Sec. |
| FILED      | 29/10  |
| DISPATCHED | 610    |

Message Instructions

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Originator's No.

F 34670 (.) RESTRICTED (.) FOR PIDSLEY FROM PHILLIPS (.) I NOW CONSIDER 2 SETS BAILEY ADEQUATE FOR TRG OF 6 GROUPS IN VIEW OF PRESENT RESTRICTIONS (.) RECOMMEND YOU ORDER "B" BLU TO HAND OVER THEIR SET COMPLETE WITH ERECTION GEAR TO "C" AND "D" BLU WHO WILL HAVE TO SHARE (.) "D" BLU WILL HAVE TO SHARE SET NOW WITH "A" BLU  
 Maj Bregson C-D Tug begins 15 Oct - When Phillips gets back discuss possibility of sending mechanism to the mountain.

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

29/10.

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From : MMIA

061820A

To (For action) DMT ADNAP NAFILES

To (Info) SNRE

SS 153

RESTRICTED

Ref your DMT/55/MTI of 3 Oct para 2 e (.) Paren ROME Area \_\_\_\_\_ Paren (.)  
First agree instructors with first four groups remain with them (.) Second  
MANTOVA and PICENO have some instructors already trained at BENEVENTO but  
grateful for a further course if it can be completed by approx 11 Nov (.)  
Numbers needed platoon weapons officers 20 NCOs 30 Tactical officers 12 (.)  
Signal if you can accept and dates (.) Third hope to attach Italian speaking  
British officer if dates make it possible

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W/C 11/09 '17

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FROM MMIA

TO AFHQ

TD DMT adnap

C HLU

(Tablet)

D HLU

SS 149

*IN His DMT/55/MT 10/3 Oct Not to you*

RESTRICTED

D.M.T. States provision of training increments for Italian Combat Groups

C and D can be found if recommended by M M I A (.) PAREN ROME AREA \_\_\_\_\_

PAREN (.) Strongly recommend formation of two teams similar to those for

A and B groups to be formed from 12 Oct until 12 Dec (.) This was the

original intention and without them the training of C and D groups will

not be coordinated with that of the others (.) C and D HLU at FIEDMONTE

(H3105) and TELESE N4290 can help with accommodation and administration

PRECEDENCE Immediate

AUTHENTICATED

*W. H. G. W. H. G. W. H. G.*

*L/C.S B F 10/10*

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*DMT of 5/80 ut DMT/582. upns.*

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