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Date March 1945

AG 091.711/137 GCT-O

SUBJECT: Report on FRIULI Combat Group

TO : President
Allied Commission ✓
FOR: Land Forces Sub Commission

The attached copy of Eighth Army letter, file T/8/
Trg 1, dated 6 March 1945, subject: "Report on Gruppo Friuli",
and submitted by order of this headquarters is for your
information and file.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

Jack Carter
JACK CARTER

Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl
Ltr, 8th Army, dtd
6 Mar 45

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G.O.C. For information.

This is Lt Col Southby's report which
we received a week ago. I have gone through it
point by point with Gen Ronco and appropriate
action is being taken by the various Italian staff
sections concerned.

In my opinion 50 BLU is always slightly
less optimistic than the other personnel in adm. matters.
The DAA & MG is being checked by 8 arm.

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SUBJECT:- Report on GRUPO FRULLI

Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY
T/3/Ttg

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP

6 Mar 45

1. GRUPO FRULLI has now been in the line since 8 Feb. During this period there has only been light shelling and mortar firing and no great enemy activity on its front. Under such enemy fire however the tps have remained steady and the GRUPO has held its sector. Morale, which is on the whole good, is adversely affected by casualties, particularly from mines and booby traps.

2. The chief points for correction appear to be as follows :-

(a) While bn cmds are anxious to act offensively against the enemy, it would seem that higher coms do not always give full support to this policy as they appear anxious to avoid casualties.

Casualties to date are as follows :-

2 officers 15 ORs killed
2 officers 54 ORs wounded
8 ORs missing

(b) Patrolling, when carried out leaves a good deal to be desired. Little conception exists as to the composition or function of the various types of patrol. Briefing is bad and patrol reports are neither properly sifted nor checked.

(c) HQs have insufficient sentries and those they have are usually badly sited.

(d) No attempt is made to maintain or improve defensive posns.

(e) There is too much movement both of personnel and tpt in the fwd areas.

(f) Not sufficient use is made of the 2" or 3" mortar or the PIAT. Patrols are too fond of using the J6 grenade with a 4 sec delay when meeting unexpected opposition, instead of instantaneous fire from TMG or rifle.

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- (h) By British standards hygiene is deplorable.

3. GRUPPO FAIOLI has carried out the task required of it and yielded no ground. There is however no doubt that it is the most backward of the GRUPPI under comd KIRITH ARMY.

(sgt) H. FLOYD, Brig.
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for
Lieut-General,
GOC KIRITH ARMY.

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 20 Feb 59.

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SINGLE WITH THE BEST CONNECTIONS

It is still contended that at least two highly trained technical personnel should be attached to any (one or more) storehouse (warehouses) and that stores that should be opened early.

(A) for enclosures (2) are (a) I still consider that the Government services are administered on British method, as it is practically impossible to deal satisfactorily with so many concerns and it is the only way for 100% efficiency and cost.

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7. Training & Motives - The difficulties encountered at this time are now primarily financial. The group is now well equipped, contains defectors with the taste for the following items:

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9. Laundry - At present the men are arranging or doing own laundry and no difficulties are being experienced. The pool of clothing recently supplied by Polcorps will be a great help. The question of Hospital laundry has not arisen.

I consider a Mobile Laundry most essential.

10. Boot Repairs - The Group Boot Repair Shop is functioning well, approximately 100 pairs can be turned out daily.

Condemnations are now very low. Drindary supply is good.

11. Mobile Baths - Two baths of 12 showers exist in the Group. This is controlled by the Medical Section of the Group.

12. Conferences - Conferences at which all Officers i/c Materials attended have been held and all points discussed.

13. Visits - Visits to units are now being carried out and a programme has been arranged.

14. Ord Rd Park

(a) Staff - Italian - See (1) of Appx "A" ORG/57 of 27 Dec 44.

(b) Staff - British - The OC recently posted to me will supervise and advise on Ord Rd PK procedure.

The staff of the ORP are above the average in intelligence and are hard working.

(c) Location - FURLI 44 453167.

(1) Transport - See (3) of Appx "A" ORG/57 of 27 Dec 44.

(e) Scalings - The scaling has been boosted up to a Scaling Part III. In the meantime MP's have been increased where necessary. Supply of spares is improving.

(f) Literature - Supplies coming through as and when available. I am afraid our demands have been exceptionally heavy based on Mech Eng Workshops, 6 LAD's, Workshop Store Section & ORP.

15. General - From the Ordnance point I consider the Group is well clothed and equipped.

John

Major,
DADOS.

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13. Visual - Programs has been arranged.

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[Signature]

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DAPOS.

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Copy to: - HQ 50 BLU (Not with enclosures)
ADOS 96 BLU.

MMIA for attention Major Head RAOC.

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Copy
Subject:- Appreciation on Ordnance Services
1st. Italian Combat Group (PRIMI Div)

50 British Liaison Unit.

Ref:- ORD/57

9 Dec. 1944.

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A.D.O.S. 55 Area.

Copy to:- D.A.O.S., 1 District.

Herewith my appreciation on Ordnance Services - 1st Italian
Combat Group (PRIMI Div) for period 3 Sep to 3 Dec 44.

1. Staff

50 B.L.U. (Permanent)

D.A.D.O.S.
S/Sgt. Clerk
ptos Clerks
Sgt. Storeman

1
1
3
1 (since posted to UK)

O.F.P. (Temporary)

WOII Storeman
S/Sgt "

1
1 (since posted to UK)

Ord Dump

Lieut (Italian)
ORP "

1
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Commissariato

Major (Italian)
Lieuts "

1
3

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Sept. Major E. Farman was replaced by Major H.H. Cole on 6 Oct 44.

2. Location of Group.

Prior to 28 Nov the Group was located at San Gior. 10 del
Sarno, near Benevento, the present location being Radda in Chianti and
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3. Strength of Group.

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The initial equipping was based on 9010 all ranks, being made up as follows:-

87 Infantry Regt	3701
99 "	2701
35 Artillery Regt	1536
Engineer Bn	820
Mech Eng Workshop	986
Supply & Tpt Coy	307
H.Q. plus C.O.R.R.	245
Medical Secn	361
Ord Pd Park	73
Total	9010

Later the group was augmented with the following:-

Field Bakery	24
Surgical Secn	10
X-Ray Secn	7
Pd Park Coy	154
Tech Maint Secn	77

In addition to the above the following came under the administration of DADOS O ECU for Ordnance Services:-

50 ECU Personnel & followers
 05 H.A.A. Workshops
 1 Unit LA Attached WRS ODS
 Total strength approx 150
TOTAL STRENGTH OF FORMATION
WRS

4. Indents

Indents approx 3,000 were prepared by ADOS Staff for the clothing, equipment, normal equipment lists and special equipment lists, for the original 9013, followed by similar indents for increments and altered units, and forwarded to 537 BOD.

5. Supply of Stores

The supply of stores was very slow until after a Conference held at ARHQ (G455) on 7 Oct when 'Top Priority' was given. Large convoys were sent daily to Naples and often to Bari. I was ordered to send my small staff on convoy duties.

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A very old Monastery at San Giacomo, near San Giorgio, was utilized as a Dump.

Covered accommodation	300 sq ft
Uncovered	200 sq ft
Went's 1st (Converted)	3

It was from this small area that the group was clothed and equipped.

At the time issues were being made, an average of 15 x 3 ton lorries were being off loaded. No vehicle larger than a Jeep, could enter the Dump.

7. Equipping & Clothing

DADOS and Ord Staff became detached from 19 to 20 Nov when equipping and clothing the group started in earnest about 11 Oct.

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|---|------------------------|
| (a) Clothing | 90% |
| Large size boots & greatcoats still required. | |
| (b) Accessories | 5% very low |
| Knives, forks, spoons, cups, housewives still required. | |
| (c) Equipment | 90% |
| Few minor items required. | |
| (d) Tools | 90% |
| Insulators, knives, ladles, blankets, required. | |
| (e) Vests | 80% |
| (f) Vests & UT | Availability very low. |

The above figures are my estimate. I have now instructed that indents should be prepared for all alleged deficiencies

8. Vehicles

(a) Staff 50 BLU arranged the collection of all vehicles from the various Vch Parks.

On arrival the vch were par ed in GPP, checked and subsequently issued to units.

(b) A considerable number of vch were received absolutely minus of any tools whatsoever and great difficulty is still being experienced in getting a supply.

Representative from AMU visited MMS 50 BLU just prior to leaving last location and arranged for 20 tools each. Filters are filled to be released for approximately 400 vch split amongst different Regiments.

My demand for 400 each of approximately 12 items considered essential has been met.

(a) by 75% of one item only
(b) satisfaction in three items.
The situation re tools is still serious.

(c) The shortage of spares has been the reason for many vch being off the road - I cannot give any further opinion on supply until I contact 50 BLU on his arrival.

9. Laundry Facilities

At present the men are arranging or doing own laundry. I understand, however, that a Mobile Laundry Unit will eventually be attached to the Div. It is considered essential that a laundry be attached early.

10. Boot Repairs

A Central Divisional Boot Repair Shop is being formed on 11 Oct. I am concerned with the condition of the boots in such a short period and I would stress that every effort must be made to supply my requirements of glaziers etc. Instructions have been issued that boots must be re-soled as soon as leather is reached.

11. Mobile Bath Unit

Action has been taken to find suitable sites for mobile bath units - See Appx C para 2

12. Maintenance

See Appx C para 2

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Action has been taken to find suitable sites for Mobile Bath Units - See Appx C para 3

12. Disinfection

See Appx C para 1.

13. Tailor Shop.

See Appx C para 4.

14. Overalls

See Appx C para 5.

15. Perfume/colours

See Appx A & B.

Note: At this period these lists cannot be carried exactly correct. Stores in disbursement may be on the road on 1st Para 5d.

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14. O.F.P. & Workshops Stores Send

My visit to No 1 Sub Depot 307 BOD revealed that the percentage of disabilities in connection with all spares was very high. The position was unchanged. A further appreciation in respect of O.F.P. and Workshops Stores Send will be submitted later.

17. Local Purchase

No power of local purchase has been granted to M.A.S. SO H.L. It is considered that such should be given to meet any urgent demand for material not immediately available.

18. General

I would like to bring to notice the following:-

- (a) The excellent work done by the DAPPS Clerical Staff.
- (b) The very hard work done by O.I.C. Dimp. (Lt Roberts Vicarini)
- (c) Base and Depot collaboration.

(d) No conferences have been held or called for between staff officers and DAPPS SO H.L.

(Sgt) S.H. Cole

Major,
D.O.S.

Deficiency List - Major items of
clothing furnished 3 Vote 8.

Qty. delivered

Definition

Blankets	
Shirts & undershirts	
Boonewives	
Moccasins	
Socks	
Gloves	
Boots	
Cookware	
Containers & canteens	
Implements Containers & canteens	
Provisions large size	
Job equipment	
Wives shoes, saddle shoes	

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Note: A petition has since been issued by ADCA 05 4298.

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* Note: A portion has since been issued by AOS 33 22

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Appx B to ORB/57 of 9 Dec 44

Deficiency List - Major items of Vote 2 10/0/00

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Qty deficient</u>
Periscopes	68
Boxer 120	3
Protractors RA 5"	20
" 1A 5"	20
Protractors Rectangular 5" 1/2 line A	4
Concrete breakers pneumatic 101 or 8	4
Drills twist blacksmith 1 3/8"	19
" " 3/16"	19
" " 1/4"	19
" " 1/2"	5
" " 3/4"	4
Wells pneumatic	1
Instruments testing SO 1	1
Testers Battery discharge	1
Hydrometers acid cell portable 1	1
Instrument testing swinner 10	1
Jacks lifting hydraulic 10 tons	2
Gauges camber & front axle alignment	1
Calibrators No 2	1

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3843	"	"	"	"	15
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Appx "C" to ORD/37 of 9 Dec 44

Minutes of Conference held at Ord Camp
1000 hrs Friday 8 Dec 44.

Present:- Major M. Cole MACC (DADOS)
P. Benedetti
G. G. Zervodiani
Lieut. J. Giommoni

DADOS SO PU informed those present of the points discussed at meeting with ALOS 83 Area on Tuesday 7 Dec 44.

The following questions were then discussed and action will be taken as follows:-

1. Disinfection

Should it become necessary for for an additional disinfectant to be used till 1 Jan 45 to 3 Dec 44 or to 1 Jan 45 50 Bld.

Action:- Ufficio Commissariato will enquire from Medical Section and inform DADOS if 50 Bld (MLOS) is needed.

2. Mobile Bath Unit

Arrangements have been made for a mobile bath unit (6 showers) to be attached to the Div in the course of the next few days.

In view of the arrival of the Div it will become necessary for 3 or 4 sites to be selected - 37 Regt 88 Bst 55 Arty Eng's & Workshops.

The following points were also in connection:-

- (a) Supply of petrol and diesel oil.
- (b) Itinerary to be published early and copies forwarded to ALOS 83 SO BLD.
- (c) Selection of sites near Water point.
- (d) Provision of tents if no bldg available.
- (e) Attachment of a 3 ton lorry for transportation.
- (f) Accommodation for 4 BCR's.

Action:- Ufficio Commissariato to take early action on A.M.S.D.A. 2
DADOS SO BLD for action on 11.

3. Post Repair Shop

Pending receipt of primary from base ALOS 83 Area has arrived & the issue of a small amount of grindery and for one BCR to be attached to start the organization of the shop. A suitable site is now required for the shop to commence functioning with effect from 11 Dec 44. DADOS SO BLD will issue all available grindery and arrange accommodation for one BCR.

Taylor Shop

2. Mobile Bath Unit

Arrangements have been made for a Mobile Bath unit (4 showers) to be attached to the Div in the course of the next few days. In view of the small of the unit it will become necessary for 3 or 4 sites to be selected - by Regt as Regt 35 Army Engineers & Workshops. The following points were raised in connection:-

- (a) Supply of petrol and diesel oil.
- (b) Itinerary to be published early and copies forwarded to MADO & BAF.
- (c) Selection of sites near water point
- (d) Protection of tents if no bldg available.
- (e) Attachment of a 3 ton lorry for transportation.
- (f) Accommodation for 4 BOM's.

Action:- Official Commissariat to take early action on A.B., B.D. & BAF to BAF for action on B.

3. Boot Repair Shop

Pending receipt of primery from base A.B. 51 area has arranged the issue of a small amount of primery and for one BOM to be attached to start the organization of the shop. A suitable site is now required. Action:- Official Commissariat to select site and arrange for the shop to commence functioning with effect from 11 Dec 48. BAF & BAF will issue a 1 available primery and arrange accommodation for one BOM.

4. Tailor Shop

In view of the present shortage of sewing materials and the difficulty in preparing a centralized Tailor Shop, it was agreed that each unit prepare a small Tailor Shop. Units to submit a list for cotton, needles etc. A very small quantity of cotton and needles are at present held and will be allocated to units by JAFIO Command. Act on:- Official Commissariat to inform units accordingly.

5. A.B., B. & B.M.L. Deficiencies & Future Supply

These points were fully discussed and the position explained. Units should be instructed to improvise wherever possible.

6. Bulk Demands

This question was discussed.

7. Overalls

The question of supply was discussed and every endeavor is being made to obtain.

Action: - DADOS SO ELU.

8. Laundry

Major Borelatti informed DADOS SO ELU that men were at present doing their own laundry.

9. Records

All units, Tailor shops and Boot Shop will maintain accurate records in:-

- (a) Bath attendance parade
- (b) Boot repairs
- (c) Tailor repairs

Action: - Ufficio Commissariato to instruct all concerned.

10. Boots for repair.

All boots for repair will be tied and labeled. It was suggested that a metal disc showing foot and a 10- the 10 to be allotted to a man of the Regt. 8, 5, 87 Regt/1. This label should then be permanently allotted to 87 Regt/1 - Men, Brown.

Action: - Ufficio Commissariato.

11. Supply of kit stores from HED.

This was not discussed but all informed that the question would be referred to SC HED.

12. Hydra Burners

DADOS stated that Hydra burners to exist, plus one in 1 of a No 3 cooker had been issued. Units should be instructed to take care of these burners and suggested that a number be held in reserve. Cookers No 3 will be authorized for use when the occasion arises i.e. when houses are divided and extra cookers are essential.

Action: - Ufficio Commissariato to please see my letter 04/10/56 of 7 Dec 44.

13. Large Hurricane globes & lamps in shelter

The points in my letter 04/10/56 of 7 Dec 44 re shortage of globes etc and method of indenting were brought to notice.

14. General

(a) Major Borelatti

17. Books for repair,

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11. Supply of IT services from NSE.

This was noted but all informed that the question
 was not asked and was not answered.

19. *Hydra dumalis*

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action:- Official Cominsariats to please to my letter dated 04/36 of 7 Dec 44.

16. Explain the importance of the following:

The points in my letter DED/56 of 7 Dec 44 re shipment of clothes and method of indenting were brought to notice.

14. January 1

(a) Major Benedetti was used to supply certain information regarding the duties of Officers of the Commandato. 104

(8) A discussion was held regarding supply of food stores at
the 1st meeting and it was hoped to follow up with conference with
the 2nd meeting.

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(Sant) 11.00.00.00

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App B 000/57 02080-45

30 British Liaison Unit

Ref: CMB/57

27 Dec 46.

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Subject: - Appreciation.

ADCS 33 4200

Copy to: - ADCS I District

In continuation of my letter CMB/57 of 9 Dec 44 para 14.
I forward herewith my appreciation on GFA M1 P2 1st Italian Combat Gp.

1. Staff - Italian

Cassini	1	General Duties	5
Lieuten	2	Storemen	4
Clarks	10	Drivers	15
Driver/Spent	64	Despatch riders	5
Driver/Boats	5	Electrician	1

Staff - British Recon

Storeman GOLF 1 - temporarily attached

2. Location of G.A.

Villa Paradiso Monte Archi M.9183018

3. Transport

Lorries 3 ton Office	3	Trucks 15 cwt motor	1
" 3 ton binocular	14	Car 5 cwt 4 x 4	3
" 3 ton SS	16	Car utility	1
Trucks 15 cwt SS	4	M/cycles solo	5

4. Availability

M.2 Boats	68%	Artillery	77%
Wireless	85%	Small arms	62%

5. Colling

In view of the fact that the majority of the vans issued to the group are Gase ID it is considered that the colling given is low. Demands for certain items such as bulbs will be very heavy. No holdings of batteries tyres or any are held and I consider a small should be given immediately.

6. Literature

There is an acute shortage of catalogues. A few have been obtained from ADCS (Pubs) and action is now being taken to secure more.

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- (i) Difficulty was experienced in the fact that a large number of the men were of abnormal size and needed very large size boots and greatcoats.
- (ii) This has been overcome with the exception of approximately 100 greatcoats of the largest size and 350 pair boots sizes 11 and 12.
- (iii) Despite the fact that the Ordnance issued clothing to formations in accordance with sizes demanded little or no attention was given on the issue to men. This has been proved by the men changes which have been carried out to men who have reported a bad fit.
- (iv) A Conference held on 18 Dec 44 revealed unknown deficiencies in clothing and equipment. Supplies were obtained from Army stores.
- (v) The Group is now fully clothed with the exception of items mentioned in sub-para (ii), though each man is in possession of a greatcoat and boots, and sufficient stock is held, or is due in to meet wastage.

(b) Equipment

It was assumed that the Group was fully equipped on 15 Dec 44 - please see para (a) sub-para (ii) - a few minor discrepancies still exist due to the fact that I have had to equip a new section of Troop - I am endeavouring to obtain them there minor deficiencies from ADOS 85 Area on demand.

(c) Deficiencies

Clothing and equipment to 3/4 of establishment has been issued to the Group.

(d) Deficiencies

The following deficiencies in round numbers exist:-

(i) Wine cases	350	due in 2,000
(ii) Knives table	200	" " 1,000
(iii) Forks	6,000	" " 1,000
(iv) Spoons	1,000	" " 1,000
(v) Large drinking	1,000	" " 1,000
(vi) Non-ferrous	1,000	" " 1,000

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(e) Vote 3 stores

The supply of Vote 3 items is very favorable. Section 1 items (tools) are known to be in short supply and a certain amount of deficiencies exist. The main deficiencies are as follows:-

- (i) Knives locks
- (ii) Containers 3 gallon 71 and Insulators 3 gallon 87
- (iii) Plates and (Cookers Portable No. 1) (not considered essential, units should improve.)
- (iv) Stands cooking (see (iii) above)
- (v) Technical tools - see signal QM 358 of 27 Dec 44
- (vi) Containers Water 3 Gall. (defenses has been requested)
- (vii) Lamps pressure pressure.

(2) Vote 2 (Legs MT)

In my opinion the issues made eminent Vote 2 items are favourable.

The following of major importance were reported in Signal Bases of 27 Dec 44. A considerable quantity of these items have been received at the in transit.
There is a acute shortage of Le ne Electric No 1 and Binoculars. Every endeavour is being made to obtain a complete list of deficiencies of items of operational importance and necessity. Returns have been called for in connection therewith, see Appx A to this letter.

(3) Vote 3 (MT)

Although availabilities are approx 60% there is a serious shortage of supply of certain items to keep vans on the road. I am hoping maintenance repairs and Base must expect what are abnormal demands from us, due to heavy van casualties. The shortage of MT gear has forced me to merge with the 1st into LA holdings. I am now endeavouring to build up RAB's.

(4) Vans - Maintenance to

(1) The serious shortage has caused such concern, for it was impossible to carry out current maintenance to vans. My demand for approx 20 of each of 18 items considered essential, was met in the first instance by part issue of one item only, i.e. brace with lanyard.
(2) Representative from LAHQ visited the group just prior to leaving last location and issue of 20 short a tool kit. MT was approved. This quantity was small for the number of vans deficient of tools.

(3) The following are still considered essential:-

Brushes engine cleaning	300
Type pumps	400
Fuel petrol w/gauge	300
Gauges pressure type	400
Levers tyre	300
Wrenches	300
Screwdrivers 4" or 5"	400
Spanners box 14 x 18"	400
Spanners 14 x 7/16"	400
Tools remove tyre lever	400

(4) One Base Officer and 14 OA's, 14 Drivers and Driver Section have now been sent permanently attached to the group and it is considered that at least 6 sets of MT tool kits be approved for issue. It would be appreciated if this could be arranged.

(5) Vehicles

The provision and issue of vehicles to units has been dealt with solely by Staff. I am endeavouring to obtain the latest

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(i) The serious shortage has caused much concern, for it was impossible to carry out correct maintenance to vans. My demand for approx 400 of each of 15 items considered essential, was met in the first instance by part issue of one item of, i.e., brace with tommy bar.

(ii) Representatives from AMU visited the group just prior to leaving last location and issue of 50 tool kits was approved. This quantity was small for the number of vans, sufficient of tools.

(iii) The following are still considered essential:-

Reamies engine cleaning	350
Type pumps	420
Funnel petrol w/gauze	350
Caution pressure tyre	420
Lowere tyre	350
Reamers	340
Screwdrivers 4" or 5"	400
Spanners box 1 1/2 x 5/8"	400
Spanners 12 1/2 x 7/16"	400
Tools remover tyre lever	400

(iv) One RASO Officer and 14 Or's, A. Drivers and Driver Mechanic have now been semi-permanently attached to the group and it is considered that at least 5 sets of tool kits be approved for issue. It would be appreciated if this could be arranged.

(i) Vehicles

The provision and issue of vehicles to units has been dealt with solely by Staff. I am endeavouring to obtain the latest position which will be forwarded as early as possible. It was not possible to get this information at the time of my progress report. Fairly large releases have recently been given.

(j) Arms & Weapons.

This has been dealt with by Staff - the following are the deficiencies:-

awaiting collection	5	Plans	44
Mortard 5"			
Mortars 5"			

(k) General

(i) The lack of co-operational enthusiasm from the Italian Staff has been the cause of considerable anxiety and delay in getting a correct picture of how the group is situated as regards deficiencies.

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- (ii) A complete list of deficiencies of major items will be forwarded early. (See Annex A.)
- (iii) A quantity of material is still in transit ex Bari, Naples, Vienna and Ascoli.
- (iv) Considerable assistance has been given by ALOS 35 Area in supply of urgent items.
- (v) Pack 33 is functioning and stores are arriving promptly.
- (vi) Publications have been requested in accordance with demands received from GEP and WKSOPs, and notification has been received to the effect that is use of availability is in progress.
- (vii) Scale of food for Regimental staff has been received and supply from local resources is being investigated.
- (viii) Boot/repair shop is now functioning and grinders have been received.
- (ix) Laundry is at present being done by men personally. No mobile laundry is yet attached.
- (x) The group has now its own mobile bath units and mobile bath unit is being returned to ALOS 35 Area.
- (xi) Tailor Shop is under Regimental arrangements are functioning and requirements of cotton, needles etc. has been called for. The necessity is not so acute now that housewives are obtainable.
- (xii) Three "OWO"s have now been posted and subject to your approval will be disposed of as follows:-
- (i) Commander - A/Staff Officer to DABOS, and visit 35 Arty Regt, WTS and small units.
 - (ii) Sub-Commander - 8 Inf Regt
 - (iii) " " - 35 Inf Regt

The "OWO"s will be of great assistance to the group in advising and instructing in technical matters and improvisation. If being on the spot to supervise and guide in the issue of stores by the Italian staff who have little or no knowledge of stores and normal procedures, especially where bulk commodities have to be broken.

- (xiii) If you agree to sub-para (iii) I shall be able to visit units more frequently.
- (xiv) I am of the opinion that the supply of transport stores is very satisfactory in view of my knowledge of availability.

(END) M. Cole

NOTE:
M. Cole

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APPROX 20/07/07 OF 9 JAN 45

Subject:- Return by units of all arms,
equipment & clothing held on order

HQ 1212 Liaison Unit

Ref:- 4/7

8 Jan 45

Chief of Staff
Brigade HQ

UNION SO BLU asked on 23 Dec 44 for a complete return
of all the above.

This request was reiterated on about 20 Dec 44 with a
note that it was required for information of HQ No 1 District.

Yesterday DADON sent out a telepoint regarding the
information by 1200 hrs today 8 Jan 45.

HQ 1 District now orders that these returns will be made
to the BLU in the following form by 1200 hrs 8 Jan.

Every accounting unit in the group will submit returns
to DADON, copies to G(1) and DAK & JMG showing:-

(a) Entitlement (i) as per 12. (ii) as per 8L

(b) Holding as at 1200 hrs 7 Jan

(c) Deficiency

of every single item shown as both 12L and 8L, also of
entitlement holding and deficiency of all articles of clothing
and necessities as set out in the clothing table.

It is pointed out that this is no longer a request from
the BLU but is a direct order from HQ 1 District, to whom any
complaints will now be answerable.

(213) AND 200000

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Copy to:- HQ 1 District
DADON & G(1) HQ BLU
DADON HQ BLU

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- (c) Deficiency

Every single item shown in both HADG and HADG, also of entitlement, holding and deficiency of all articles of clothing and accessories as set out in the clothing scale.

It is pointed out that this is no longer a request from the HADG but is a direct order from GOC 1 District, to whom any could who fails to obey will not be answerable.

(SGS) AND HADG

1001 001 00

Copy to:- HQ 1 District
DAA & QMG 50 HADG
HADG 50 HADG

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Appr D-28 ORD/57 18 Dec 45

COPY

Subject: - Ordnance Administration of
Italian Combat Group.

ADCS 1 District

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50 Brit Liaison Unit

Ref: - ORD/57

12 Jan 46.

Copy to: ADCS 53 Area.

Your 12/13/10(91)08 dated 3 Jan was received by 26 PM 10 Jan 46.

1. I forward herewith a review as directed on the following:-

(a) Method of distribution of Ordnance Stores by Lower Formations to Units.

(i) Much more could be desired but it must be conceded, and, in fairness to the Italian personnel, that the group had little or no Ordnance stores for a considerable period before equipping started in earnest.

(ii) Formations were then confronted with enormous quantities of material absolutely foreign to them, with only Normal a Special Equipment Lists in English to check from and no British personnel available to guide.

(iii) During the "quiet" period no tuition or attention could be given to the Officers and their Staff who would eventually be responsible for the distribution of material due to the fact that DADCS and Staff were engaged on the preparation of intents for the whole group.

(iv) Chaotic conditions arose rapidly but the keenness of some of the group Accounting Officers made some sort of order out of chaos.

(v) Group personnel (not included) were not helpful at this period - items such as Rifles, Machine Guns, Bombs, etc were divorced from their associated equipments, vouchers extracted from the material received and then it was impossible to marry up.

(vi) Distribution from Dump to Formations was simple if the items were addressed to a unit. Bulk items were regarded as "stock" and in such items, this was done by DADCS and Staff.

(vii) Formations and units have been instructed to maintain records of issues and receipts.

(b) Misappropriation, misuse and waste through lack of maintenance.

(i) Misappropriation of items is growing rapidly - most noticeably in clothing etc. One dreads to think what deficiencies a 100% check kit inspection and of stores would reveal.

(ii) Lack of material is usually the excuse for lack of maintenance and the lack of maintenance material is preferred to carrying out maintenance. Items issued

in earnest.

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Oil, various types

for out and cleansing of vans.

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2. No Ordnance Services exist in the Italian Army, consequently there is no equivalent to a DAIOS.

Production and equipment is undertaken by the Commissariato who has an Officer for each Branch e.g.:-

- Artillery Service - Manufactures and provides all harness equipment, arms and ammunition for the Arm
- Engineer " - Provides all Signal equipment for the Arm
- Supply " - engineer material, clothing, etc stores of a

domestic nature, including food.

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3. Recommendations

(a) Staff (British)

in view of para (1), at the commencement of mobilization, and the amount of work by DADOS and staff now executed, I consider the establishment proposed and I suggest the following should be the establishment for any new group that may be formed in the future:-

- | | |
|---------------|----------------|
| DADOS | 1 |
| Staff Officer | 1 |
| Secy | 1 |
| Clerks: | |
| S/Sec | 1 |
| Cpl | 1 |
| Plen | 2 |
| Storeman: | |
| Sgt | 1 |
| Plus | 1 |
| | 4 = One typist |
| | 15 |

1 of good trade
2 Specialists in note & (at a party and 2 with 11 experience for use, temporarily attached until it is equipped.

(b) Staff (Italian)

- (1) Disbandment of the Commissariato, and, for groups to re-organize on British lines, this would be a wise move.
- (ii) An officer be appointed ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ and trained in the duties of a DADOS.
- (iii) All essential officers 1/2 materials be given an Ordnance course.
- (iv) All military clerks and storemen dealing with Ordnance stores be given an Ordnance course.
- (v) That normal and special equipment lists be printed in English and Italian and prepared in the same manner as our A.D. 1088, consequently to be useful as an "accounting" document.
- (vi) The present establishment and conditions under the DADOS and staff stores to the group who should have the whole responsibility of the equipping and maintenance of the group instead of being a liaison staff.
- (c) I feel that I cannot see how a group can function efficiently without the Ordnance services unless (b) is agreed to.

(Sgt) M. G. G.

Major
DADOS

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App. E. 00/57 0205-25

copy.

Subject: - Ord Admin of Italian Combat 3

1. No 1 District
Ord Admin
00/57 0205-25
15 Jan 4

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Copy to: - 008 1 District
008 00 000

1. Attached is copy of a report submitted by 008 00 000 for your information and comment.

2. As stated, the recommendation made in para 3, hereafter, is

(a) sub para (a) the increase of an 00 is recommended to eliminate the Italian Ordnance Officer on the staff of 008 00 000 is reported as being efficient and hard working - 008 00 000 has found it so far impossible to visit any units at all. It is essential in a formation for the senior Ordnance officer to be freed of office routine so that he can personally inspect and service in units. In the case of Italian combat 3 this function is even more important in order to coordinate with the stores and to be able to also recommend. The temporary detachment of some storesmen these men are required for instruction and storesmen, 1 is coming on 6 000's from the School of instruction could be attached to each unit during the period of training and for a further 3 months prior operational conditions.

(b) sub para (b) the suggestions in (i) and (ii) cannot be considered as they run counter to the policy laid down by 008 00 000. Consideration, however, could be given to sub para (iii), (iv) and (v).

(200) 00 000

008 00 000
for 008 00 000

No attachment.

From
A.G. // Red he intended to see AOCs 15 AC report
of which I hope he will send us a copy. So far I agree
with 10th views SP 27/11

yes, the army is not
in business bluffing
for

ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
COMMAFUE (BRITISH)

URGENT.

Subject: RACOC Personnel on ELUs attached
Italian Combat Groups.

Ref: DOS/7473
Tel: Breeden 840
Date: 22 Jan 45

To: ADOS, HQ 15 Army Group.

1. I attach hereto copy of a report submitted by DADOS 50 ELU attached
FRIULI Combat Group together with comments received from DADOS ALHQ District Inco.
2. Verbal reports have also been received from DADOS 8th Army that the
functioning of the Ord Pk in CHINONA Combat Group leaves much to be desired.
3. Each Italian Ord Unit of each Combat Group was given a short course
at the RACOC Training Establishment before the initial equipping of the Groups.
Each Combat Group has a ELU attached which the RACOC staff is as follows:-

DADOS (Major)	-	1
DCWOS	-	3
Clerks RACOC	-	1
S/Sjt	-	2
Plcs	-	1
Storamen RACOC	-	1

In addition, during initial equipping and training the following Ord
Storamen were attached:-

Storamen C & G	-	4
" MT	-	2
" W/T & Sigs	-	1
" Amts	-	1

(No ranks were specified in view of the temporary nature of the
attachment). The duties of this staff are supervisory and advisory, though
in practice they perform executive duties also.

5. Will you please investigate the position regarding the sufficiency of
the RACOC personnel on ELUs attached to these Combat Groups and forward your
recommendations. In addition, please let us have your opinion as to the
efficiency of the methods adopted within the Groups for the maintenance of the
Groups and your recommendations for their improvement.

2. Verbal reports have also been received from DDOS 8th Army that the functioning of the Ori Hk in ORION. Combat Group leaves much to be desired.

3. Each Italian Ori Unit of each Combat Group was given a short course at the RAOO Training Establishment before the initial equipping of the Groups. Each Combat Group has a HLU attached on which the RAOO staff is as follows:-

DADOS (Major)	-	1
ECWOs	-	3
Clarks RAOO	-	1
S/Sjt	-	2
Itcs	-	1
Storeman RAOO	-	1
Sjt	-	1

In addition, during initial equipping and training the following Ori Storemen were attached:-

Storeman C & G	-	4
"	-	2
"	-	1
"	-	1

(No ranks were specified in view of the temporary nature of the attachment). The duties of this staff are supervisory and advisory, though in practice they perform executive duties also.

5. Will you please investigate the position regarding the sufficiency of the RAOO personnel on HLUs attached to these Combat Groups and forward your recommendations. In addition, please let me have your opinion as to the efficiency of the methods adopted within the Groups for the maintenance of the Groups and your recommendations for their improvement.

6. If you consider it necessary, I am prepared to send the War Establishment of a HLU to include an O.O. (Captain) as assistant to DADOS and also to the number of storemen.

7. The main difficulty would, however, seem to be the language difficulty, whereby all S.S.Ls are in English. Presumably units of the Groups demand by Part No but I do not see how the Part No is recognised by the designation is presumably in English. The question of translating S.S.Ls was taken up by IMIA in October last, but it is believed that no action to translate was taken or is practicable.

8. In view of the operational role of Italian Combat Groups it is requested that you treat this matter as urgent.

Cop. to: DDOS AFHQ Dist. Iner
 C/O HQ 1 District.
 DDOS 8th Army.
 ADOS Brit Inst. 5 (US) Army.
 OO RAOO Training Est.
 M.M.I.A.

(O.H. GEAR, Major-General),
 D.O.S.

Subject: - Ordnance Administration of
Italian Combat Units.

COPY.

DDOS 1 District (2)

50 Brit Liaison Unit
(ORDNANCE)

Ref: ORD/57
12 Jan 45

Copy to:- ADOS 55 Area.

Your ID/13/10/(91)OS dated 2 Jan was received by me pm 10 Jan 45.

I forward herewith a review as directed on the following:-

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(v). Data provided (DOS included) were not helpful at this period - items such as Rifles, Machine Guns, Bofors, 25 pdrs etc were divorced from their associated equipments, vouchers extracted from the material received and then it was impossible to marry up.

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Production and equipment is undertaken by the Commissariato who has an officer for each branch, e.g.

Artillery Service	-	Manufactures and provides all harness equipment, arms and ammunition for the Army.
Engineer	"	- Provides all signal equipment for the Army, engineer materials, tools etc.
Supply	"	- Responsible for clothing and stores of a domestic nature, including food.

3. Recommendations.

(a) Staff. (British)

In view of para (1), at commencement of mobilisation, and the amount of work by DADOS in Ord staff now executed, I consider the establishment pathetic and I suggest the following should be the establishment for any new Group that may be formed in the future:-

DADOS	-	1			
Staff Officer	-	1			
HW/Co	-	3			
Clerks					
S/Sgt	-	1			
Opl	-	1			
Plac	-	2+	4		+1 typist.
Steno	-				
Sgt	-	4=			
Plac	-	12x	13		

= of Good Grade
x Specialists in Vote
9 (Sigs & Arty) and
2 with LT experience
for OGP temporarily
attached until
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(b) Staff (Italian)

(i). Disbandment of the Commissariato and for Groups to reorganise on British lines; this would be a wise move.

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(iii). All potential officers i/c Materials be given an Ordnance Course.

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Col	-	1			
Ptms	-	2+	4		+1 typist.
Storeman	-				= of Good Grade
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Major,
D.A.D.O.S.

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H.Q. No. 1 District
A.P.H.Q. ELEMENT.

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Ord/P/5004

Tel: 5159

15 Jan 45

Subject: Ord Admin. of Italian Combat Groups.

To: D.O.S. A.P.H.Q.

Copy to: D.D.O.S. 1 District.
D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U.

1. Attached is copy of a report submitted by D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U. for your information and comment.
2. Regarding the recommendation made in para 3, herewith our remarks:-

(a) sub para (a). The increase of an O.O. is recommended as although the Italian Ordnance Officer on the staff of DADOS 50 B.L.U. is reported as being efficient and hardworking - DADOS has found it, so far, impossible to visit any units at all. It is essential, in a formation, for the senior Ordnance Officer to be freed of office routine so that he can personally inspect Ord services in units. In the case of Italian Combat Groups, this function is even more important, in order to combat misuse of stores and lack of knowledge of Ordnance procedure. The temporary attachment of some storemen is also recommended, but 12 seems to be on the high side and, as these men are required for instructional purposes, it is considered they should be N.C.Os. As a counter-suggestion, a team of say 6 N.C.Os from the School of Instruction could be attached to each B.L.U. during the period of training and for a further two months under operational conditions.

(b) sub para (b). The suggestions in (i) and (ii) cannot be considered as they run counter to the policy laid down by A.P.H.Q. Consideration, however, could be given to sub paras (iii)(iv)(v).

????????????Lt Col
For Brigadier,
D.D.O.S.

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Subject:- Italian Army - Absentees
and Deserters.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.S.I.A.)
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MINISTRY OF WAR.

3 Feb 45.

1. The attached lists show particulars of Absentees and Deserters from Friuli Combat Group for the period 26 Dec/44 and 10 Jan/45 (total 343).
2. You are required to take strong and urgent measures to effect the apprehension of these men.
3. You will forward to this H.Q. on 15 March/45 a return showing against each man's name whether or not he has been apprehended, and returned to his unit for disciplinary action to be taken.
4. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to Public Safety Sub Commission A.C. as it is anticipated that active cooperation of CSAR will be required to effect the apprehension of these Absentees and Deserters.

S.P. Archer Cyp.

~~P.S. ROBERTS~~, Col. A.O.D.
for Major General,
M.S.I.A.

Copy to:- Public Safety
Sub Comm. A.C.
Spec. Sec. M.S.I.A.

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

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SEGRETO

N. 12133 /Mob.di prot. P.M.3800, li 21 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO: Trasferimento personale.

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA) ROMA
(rif.f. S/G/29/15 del 25/1/45)

e, per conoscenza:

AL M.G. = Gabinetto - Ufficio C.A. P.M.3800
(rif.atterg.301150/e-A del 26/1/45)

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- 1) - L'elenco dei militari allegato al foglio cui si fa riferimento è un riepilogo di movimenti già da tempo effettuati quando ancora il gruppo FRIULI era in fase di approntamento nella zona di S.Giorgio del Sannio.
- 2) - In seguito a tali movimenti, e secondo quanto richiesto da codesta MMIA con suo foglio S/G/29/27 del 3 dicembre, furono date ai gruppi di combattimento le disposizioni di cui al foglio 10072/Mob. del 18 dicembre, che si allega in copia.
- 3) - Da tale data gli inconvenienti lamentati, concernenti il trasferimento di personale non idoneo dei gruppi al centro addestramento, non si sono più verificati.



IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

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UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

N. 10072/Mob. di prot.

P.M.3800, 11 18 dicembre 1944

OGGETTO: Militari indesiderabili nei gruppi di combattimento.

AI GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTO

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO GUERRA = Gabinetto
(rif.f. 306028/1/C.A. del 7 corr.)
AL COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA
AL COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA
AL COMANDO MILITARE LAZIO UMBRIA E ABRUZZI
ALLA DELEGAZIONE "T" DELLO S.M.R.E.
AL COMANDO DEPOSITO ADDESTRAMENTO COMPLEMENTI
FORZE ITALIANE DI COMBATTIMENTO

LORO SEDI

P.M.3800

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P.M. 179

T E A N O

Si è verificato che qualche gruppo di combattimento ha trasferito al deposito addestramento complementi del personale che, pur essendo idoneo a reparti operanti dal punto di vista strettamente fisico, era indesiderabile o di scarso rendimento per motivi intellettuali, morali o disciplinari.

E' evidente il fatto che tale procedimento porta ai gruppi di combattimento stessi, che dal deposito addestramento complementi dovranno ricevere il personale destinato a mantenerli a numero ed operativamente efficienti. Ciò senza considerare gli inconvenienti e lo spreco di tempo e di materiali che tale sistema comporta per il deposito complementi, che deve equipaggiare, inquadrare ed addestrare elementi che poi non potranno essere impiegati come combattenti.

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Prego pertanto evitare il ripetersi di tali procedimenti. Tuttavia qualora si verificasse l'assoluta necessità - in contingenze eccezionali - di dover procedere all'allontanamento di personale indesiderabile o di scarso rendimento, ne venga data segnalazione a questo S.M. che ne autorizzerà.

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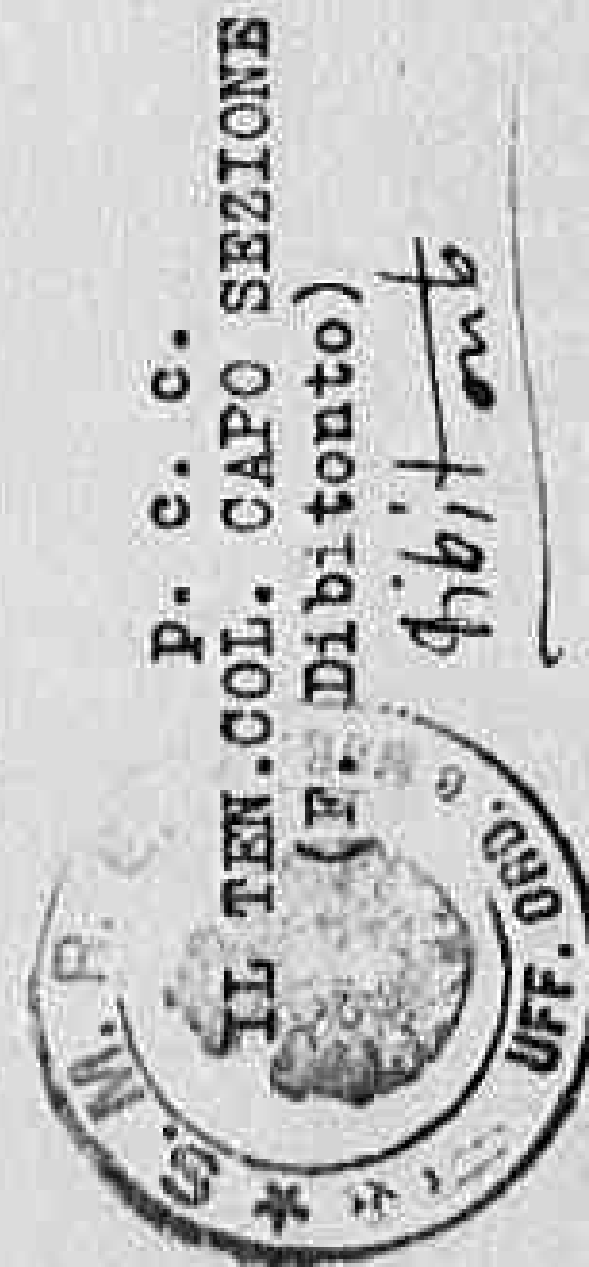
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IL CAPO DI S.M. DELL'ESERCITO
F.to P. Berardi



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

Subject: Collection of Sups.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) E G M M
AL/14/2

29 Jan 1945.

To: 50 B.L.U.

Reference your ST/5/10 dated 19 Jan 45.

1. It is agreed that in order to obviate a waste in vehicle mileage, the various types of sups quoted by you should in future be moved by rail.
2. As regards the items specified in your letter Serials 3, 5 and 6 - the Ministry of War state they are in the process of being assembled and will be forwarded as soon as they are ready. Serial 1 - it is suggested either that

- (a) you collect them from the Delegation "T" at Florence, where it is understood they are available, or
- (b) ST can arrange for them to be handed over to 14 CRASC, when they become available in Naples, for dispatching forward with normal maintenance.

Please say which course you wish to take. It is pointed out that at present the free cigarette issue is only just being set. Serial 2 - arrangements are being made for the Cognac to be handed over to 14 CRASC at Naples for forwarding.

P. P. Padell

P. P. PADSELL, J/Comd.
for Colonel, DAAWG,
M. M. I. A.

PVP/1c

Copy to: OS MIA)
ST MIA) with copy of 50 B.L.U. letter.
SS MIA)

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020C O P Y

SUBJECT: Collect. of Supplies

50 Brit Liaison Unit
ST/5/10
19 Jan 45RE NMIA

The PRIULI ICG makes periodical collection of various supplies from depots in the SOUTH of ITALY: those are as follows:-

Place of Collection	Name of Depot	Commodities Collected
1. NAPLES	Depot of Special Rations	Cigarettes
2. "	"	Cognac
3. "	Direction of Q Stores	Items of eqpt
4. "	Military Hospital	MED Supplies
5. LECCE	Laboratory of Cloth & Eqpt	Items of eqpt
6. TRANI	9th Regt Ingra	Badges etc
7. BARI	Direction of Q Stores	Tobacco

It is considered essential that arrangements for the collection of these and similar requirements should in future be made by RAIL in order to save an obvious and increased waste of vehicle mileage.

Could it be arranged for all such future requirements from, say, any area SOUTH of ROME, those requirements could be notified ~~by~~ to you by this office and that you could then either arrange for their carriage forward by road transport if available or could bid for the necessary rail tonnage to the nearest available railhead.

With regard to the present requirements you have kindly agreed to send forward by road 30,000 Medical packages from the Military Hospital at NAPLES: the other items now required are:-

Serial 1.	10.25 quintals Cigarettes MILIT	authority - letter 2383 of 21 Dec from Delegation "T" SMRE FLORENCE.
Serial 2.	1,140 litres Cognac	authority of Ministry of War is required
Serial 3.	700 collar badges for GRENADIERS 500 Flames for DRIVERI 500 Cap Badges for DRIVERI	authority Ministry of War despatch 24656/V of 22 Dec
Serial 5. (a)	10,000 Identity Discs	(a) authority Ministry of War despatch 234/V of 30 Nov.
(b)	700 (pairs) PRIULI Div signs	(b) authority letter 3795 of 21 Nov from Eqpt Stores at LECCE.
Serial 6.	500 Badges for Forage Caps for Ingra	authority Ministry of War despatch 23793/V of 3996
Serial 7.	Cigarettes NAZIONALE or MACEDONIA	up to 20 quintals according to authority not yet obtained from Ministry of War.

Can you assist in the collection of Serials 1, 3, 5, and 6.

Sgd. ???
Maj.
XXXX DADST

CMF
GAB/SIB

Copy to: UFFICIO COMMISSARIO

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SUBJECT: Absentees

HQ 1 District
HQ 1st

Attached herewith, nominal roll of personnel AWOL this Gp during
period 26 Dec 44 to 10 Jan 45.

Future lists will be forwarded on TUESDAY of each week.

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50 Brit Liaison Unit

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20 Jan 45

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Rank	Name	Date of Absence	Address
87 Inf Regt			
1 Serg m	GRASSO Francesco	26 Dec 44	Arlano Irpino AVELLINO
2 Cap m	CERASO Giacinto	"	Portici-Corso Garibaldi 56 NAPLES
3	REI Giovanni	"	Olevano Romano-Via Roma 13 ROME
4 Caporale	CARUCCI Alvaro	"	ROME - Piazza Quadraro n. 5
5 fnte	ALTERI Augusto	"	ROME - via del Pigneto 81
6	BONAFIDE Primo	"	ROME - via Acciglian 485
7	FELLI Edmondo	"	Olevano Romano-via Rodio Santi
8	GASPARINI Giuseppe	"	ROME - via Casilina 216
9	PERINI LI Otello	"	ROME - via Giov Brancalone 54
10 Sgrgente	PERCOCO Alberigo	"	TERRACINA-via A Volta 6
11 Serg m	PAPALINI Vincenzo	"	CASTELL'AZZARO (Grosseto)
12 fante	COPOTELLI Giovanni	"	ANAGNI-via Colle Poria 4 PROSINONE
13	MIGLIORI Firenze	"	FIRENZE - via Luigi Pulci 9
14	PERINI Giovanni	"	PRATO-via Vitt Em 49
15	TACCONI Dino	"	SCANO-via Casarossa FIRENZE
16 Cap m	TAVANI Giuseppe	"	FRASCATI-via Principe Umberto
17 Caporale	CERQUARELLI Mario	"	FRASCATI-via Borgo S Rocco
18 Autiere	RETTI Ernesto	"	PONTE MILVIO-Roma-via Ducad'Aosta
19 Cap m	LUCCHESI Fernando	"	ROMA-Piennale degli Eroi 8
20	POTENZA Benedetto	"	SUBBIACO-via delle More 8
21 autiere	MAURITINA Renzo	"	TERNI-via S Valentino 36
22 fante	PERNA Pasquale	"	ISOLA LIRI (Prosinone)
23	ARGANGELANI Antonio	"	MONTETICINO (Siena)
24	MATTEI Gilberto	"	SIENA-via Becchina n 1
25 Caporale	LIBERATOSCIOLI Guido	"	VILLA COMUNALE 56-Guardiagre le di Chieti
26	GIACOMINI Arturo	"	TERNI-via della Grazia n 3
27 fante	BELLINI Pietro	"	CASTEL DI SANGRO-via Archi 17
28	CONINI Asdeo	"	MARNI (Terni)
29	GENILE Aldo	"	PODERE DELLA VIGNA-Proseno (Viterbo)
30	CLAVARDINI Pietro	"	CENTRADA CESURIA 31 (Littoria)
31	TUCCI Aldo	"	RIGNANO SULL'ARNO-Torri-(Firenze)
32	PIERUCCINI Frediano	"	VINCIGLIARA PER DECIO (Lucca)
33	PIERUCCINI Lino	"	"
34	BIAGI Enzo	"	via Poggiale Luciana-Verni-(Pir.)
35	BARTOLUCCI Pasquale	"	BORGO S. LORENZO-Mugello-(Firenze)
36	PASTORE Aldo	"	ROMA - via dei Servi 5
37	PERU' Franco	"	ROMA - via S Marna 71
38	MALAGRI Biagio	"	ORONAZZO ROMANO
39	POLITENA Elio	"	CAPRAIOLO-Corso V. 39 (Littoria)
40	LA ROCA Augusto	"	TERNI-Corso Stracchio 1 (Littoria)
41 Caporale	CALABRINI Bruno	"	SABAUDIA-via Migliano 53
42 Fante	VALENTINI Fernando	"	VELETRI-via S Francesco
43	AMANDOLINI Mario	"	MONTETICINO (Terni)
44	PELLICCIA Massareno	"	CAPRETTA (Terni)
45	BACCALILE Anselmo	"	SUGANO (Terni)
46	BEGHI Mario	"	S Giovanni Valdarno (Arezzo)
47	FIORENTINI Alfredo	"	RADICOTRULLI (Siena)
48	PAULI Sandro	"	"

16 Cap m	TAVANI Giuseppe	FRASCATI-via Borgo S Rocco
17 Caporale	CENCARELLI Mario	PORTO MILVIO-Roma-via Duca D'Acata
18 Autiere	BELLI Ernesto	ROMA-Piazzale degli Eroi 8
19 Cap m	LUCCHESI Fernando	SUBRIACO-via delle More 8
20 "	POTENZA Benedetto	TERNI-via S Valentino 36
21 autiere	MAUGHINA Renzo	TECLA LIRI (Frosinone)
22 fante	PERNA Pasquale	ROMA-TECLA LIRI (Frosinone)
23 "	ARCANGELANI Antonio	SIENA-via Beccina n 1
24 "	MATTEI Gilberto	VILLA COMUNALE 56-Guardiagre
25 Caporale	LIBERATOSCIOLI Guido	le di Chieti
26 "	GIACCHINI Arturo	TERNI-via della Grazia n 3
27 fante	BELLINI Pietro	CASTEL DI SANGRO-via Archi 17
28 "	COTINI Amedeo	NARNI (Terni)
29 "	GENTILE Aldo	PODERE DELLA VIGIA-Proena (Viterbo)
30 "	CIABARDINI Pietro	CONTRADA CERRIERA 31 (Littoria)
31 "	TUCCI Aldo	RICIANO SULL'ANNO-Torri (Firenze)
32 "	PIERUCCINI Frediano	VINCIGLIA PER DELIO (Livorno)
33 "	PIRUCCINI Lino	"
34 "	BIAGI Enzo	via Poggiale Luciana-Verni (Fir.)
35 "	BARTOLUCCI Pasquale	BORGO S. LORENZO-Mugello (Firenze)
36 "	PASTORE Aldo	ROMA - via dei Seni 5
37 "	PERU' Franco	ROMA - via S Menna 71
38 "	MALAGGI Biagio	CERCINAZZO ROMANO
39 "	POLITENA Emilio	CAPRACIO-Corso 399 (Mama)
40 "	LA RO CA Augusto	TERI-Corso Straccio 1 (Littoria)
41 Caporale	CELEBRINI Bruno	SABAUDIA-via Migliano 53 (" }
42 Fante	VALENTINI Fernando	VELLETRI-via S Francesco (" }
43 "	AMANDOLINI Mario	MONTESONE (Terni)
44 "	PELLICOLA Nazareno	CAPRETTA (Terni)
45 "	BACCALILE Anselmo	SOGANO (Terni)
46 "	BIRCHI Mario	S Giovanni Valdarno (Arezzo)
47 "	FIORENTINI Alfredo	RADIOCONDOLI (Siena)
48 "	PACINI Sergio	"
49 "	ZINGONI Spartaco	"
50 "	RENZI Nello	POGGIORE (Siena)
51 Cap m	GAZZINI Primo	RADINCONDOLI (Siena)
52 fante	GIACCHINI Rinaldo	"
53 "	MELISSI Corrado	MONCINI (Arezzo)
54 Sergente	ELASI Giuseppe	MORRO REATINO (Rieti)
55 Cap m	MONUCCI Graziano	GAVINARA-via Pisolana 57 (Pistola)
56 autiere	CIARFANELLI Ottorino	S DONATO (Grosseto)
57 fante	VARZI Cesare	ROMA - via Polmimo 9
58 "	MOACCHIELI Manlio	MONTESONE-Piazza del Municipio (Pisa)
59 "	BELLI Antonio	PRATICA-via Patrisio (Frosinone)
60 "	PALCHETTI Dario	PERELLI (Terni)
61 "	MARINELLI Benedetto	ROCCASALVA-via della Pace (Fros)
62 "	FIORINI Emilio	GASTELLINO-via Contrada Calc.
63 "	REALI Giovanni	MONTES S GIOVANNI-via Lucina (Fros)
64 "	CRISTINI Giuseppe	SERA S CIOIO (Frosinone)
65 "	PASQUINELLI Aldo	PIRELLA (Firenze)
66 "	SLAVADORINI Leone Lo	via Bagonari 2-PRATO (Firenze)

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Rank	Name	Date of Absence	Address
67 fante	BARTOLOZZI Antonio	26 Dec 44	CERTEALDO FIANO (Firenze)
68 "	FRANZESCHI Severino	"	PRATO-via Garibaldi 51 (Firenze)
69 "	CAPPELLINI Silvano	"	CALCIANA (Firenze)
70 motoc	CERCHI Antonio	"	TIVOLI (Roma)
71 Caporale	BARNI Giuseppe	"	MONTANA OCELLANA (Pistoia)
72 Sergente	CUBINELLI Amleto	"	TIVOLI-via dell'Incassato (Roma)
73 Cap m	TRIBULATI Settimio	"	PORTARIA-via Acquasparta 13 (Terni)
74 Caporale	TOMASSETTI Lorenzo	"	ROMA - via Alessandria 25
75 "	MARROCCOLI Merello	"	BASCHI-via XI Settembre 15 (Terni)
76 fanbe	FERRARA Santa	"	SCOR-Contrada S. Quirici (Prosinone)
77 "	MATERAZZINI Gino	"	ORVINO-Scalo 16 - Terni
78 "	PELLERINI Riccardo	"	MONTE CASTELLI - via Roma 17 (Terni)
79 "	ROSETTI Renato	"	TERNI - via Recentino 19
80 "	ROSATI Benedetto	"	CALVI DELL'UMERIA (Terni)
81 autiere	GALLI Antonio	"	TIVOLI-Vicolo Burlonia (Roma)
82 fante	CAVINI Giuseppe	"	via Pietro Rovetti (Roma)
83 Cap m	MINI Rodolfo	"	Piazza S. Marco 3 (Firenze) PRATO
84 Caporale	PARENTI Gino	"	via XX Sett - CASTEL FIORENTINO
85 fante	BACCI Serafino	"	Cerreto Guidone (Firenze)
86 "	FERRARI Dias	"	via S. Baronto - LAMPEDUCCHIO (Pist)
87 Serg m	BARDORI Emilio	"	via Buenos Aires 20 - ROMA
88 Granat	VANNI Gioacchino	"	Porano Nuovo-via S. Croce-TERAMO
89 "	FALCONI Giuseppe	"	ARISTO-via S. Maria 38 (Spoleto)
90 Autiere	MATTIONI Pier Argento	"	via Farnesia 24 - ROMA
91 Sergente	BLANCH STEINER Eugenio	"	SESTO-via Statuto (Littoria)
92 Granat	RIGON Luigi	"	via Migliara 53 - PONTINIA
93 "	FIOCCO Raso	"	via Salaria - ROMA
94 "	MOSETTA Nello	"	SAN BULO DEI CAVALIERI - ROMA
95 Cap. m.	BARBA Domenico	"	Via Umb I 54 - NAPOLI -
96 fante	VALENTINI Vittorio	"	GUERBIO (Perugia)
97 "	GIACCHIERELLI Teobaldo	"	CAVE (Roma)
98 "	DI DOMENICO Fernando	"	GALLIESTE (Viterbo)
99 Sergente	SIPONI Giuseppe	"	Via Frangipane 51/A-ROMA-
100 Caporale	ZUPPANTE Orlando	"	Piazza Colonna 1 - ORTE -
101 Sergente	GOZZI Giancarlo	"	Via Principe Amedeo 44 - ROMA -
102 Autiere	PROIETTI Lepento	"	ARCINAZZO ROMANO - Via Portici 26 -
103 Granat.	MARDINI Valentino	"	ARDEA (Aprilia) Via Campoleone (Lit)
104 "	FIGONI Luigi	"	S. MARTINO IN GOTTARDA (Ravenna)
105 "	RANALDI Armando	"	PALGHARA SABITA - via S. Pietro (Rieti)
106 "	BALDIPI Ubaldo	"	GALLIANO MUGELLO (Firenze)
107 fante	DI MARCO Giuseppe	"	MARSIOVENE (Potenza)
108 "	BARTOLUCCI Giordano	27 Dec 44	CASTIGLIONE DEI PAVOLI (Bologna)
109 "	ACICI Mario	"	SESTO CREMONENSE (Via Vitt. Emanuele)
110 "	ENTINISCHI Carlo	"	GRANO (Bergamo)
111 "	LACINELLI Vincenzo	"	FISCIONE Via Roma 10 (Salerno)
112 Cap. m.	FRIGRE Michele	"	ALFANURA (Sari)
113 "	FRANCINI Giuseppe	"	PROZZI (Firenze)
114 Sergente	DI VITTORIO Giov.	28 Dec. 44	MILANO
115 fante	RECALCATI Carlo	"	MILANO
116 "	MARSHALLS Liberato	"	S. Nicola-Via Regina Marg. 26 (Lecco)
117 Caporale	GIRARDI Duccio	"	NOVARA - Via ...

Caporale	PARENTI Gino	via IX Sett - CASTEL FIORENTINO
85 fante	RACCI Serafino	Carreto Guido (Firenze)
86 "	FERRARI Diaz	via S. Bartolo - LAMPORCCHIO (Pist)
87 Serg m	BANCORI Emilio	via Buenos Aires 20 - ROMA
88 Granat	VANTI Gioacchino	Porano Nuovo-via S. Croce-TERRANO
89 "	FALCONI Giuseppe	ABETO-via S. Maria 38 (Spoleto)
90 Autiore	MATTIONI Pier Argento	via Patomia 24 - ROMA
91 Sergente	BLONCHI STEFANO Eugenio	SERNIVIA Statuto (Littoria)
92 Granat	RIGON Luigi	via Migliara 53 - PORTOFINO
93 "	FIORENTI Remo	via Salaria - ROMA
94 "	MORSEYTA Nello	SAN BULO DEI CAVALIERI - ROMA
95 Cap. m.	BARBA Domenico	Via Umb I 54 - NAPOLI
96 fante	VALENTINI Vittorio	GUBBIO (Perugia)
97 "	CHIACCHIERANELLI Teobaldo	CAVE (ROMA)
98 "	DI ENRICO Fernando	GALLIESTE (Viterbo)
99 Sergente	SIPONI Giuseppe	Via Frangipane 31/A-ROMA-
100 Caporale	ZUPPANTE Orlando	Piazza Colonna 1 - GENE -
101 Sergente	GOZZI Giancarlo	Via Principe Amedeo 44 - ROMA -
102 Autiere	PROIETTI Lepanto	ARCIMAZZO ROMANO - Via Portici 26 -
103 Granat.	MARDINI Valentino	ARDEA (Aprilia) Via Campoleone (Lit)
104 "	PIGONI Luigi	S. MARCELLO IN GOMARDA (Ravenna)
105 "	RAUALLI Armando	PALOMBARA SABINA - Via S. Pietro (Rieti)
106 "	BALDINI Ubaldo	GALLIANO NIGELLO (Firenze)
107 fante	DI MARCO Giuseppe	MARSICOVERE (Potenza)
108 "	BARTOLOMI GIORDANO	CASTIGLIONE DEI PIVELLI (Bologna)
109 "	ANICI Mario	SASSO CRESCENSE (Via Vitt. Emanuele)
110 "	ENTINCESCHI Carlo	GRANO (Bergamo)
111 "	IACENELLI Vincenzo	PISCIOTTA Via Roma 10 (Salerno)
112 Cap. m.	PRIORI Michele	ALFAMURA (Bari)
113 "	FRANCINI Giuseppe	EROLZI (Firenze)
114 Sergente	DI VITTORIO GIOV.	MILANO
115 fante	RECALCATI Carlo	S. Nicola-Via Regina Marg. 26 (Lecco)
116 "	MARSHANDE Liberato	NOVARA - Via Umberto I n. 3
117 Caporale	GIRARDI Duccio	CALINDO - Via Redenta 16 (Milano)
118 "	CESSELLI Giuseppe	SARONNO - Cascina Terrara (Varese)
119 Grenat.	MONTASIO Enrico	ROCCO HILLESE (Verocelli)
120 "	ROSSA Luigi	NOVARA - Via Biandrate -
121 "	BIAZZO Luigi	PORTOFINO - Lignano (Venezia)
122 "	DIAMANTE Severino	VERALNUOVA - Via Nigurva 6 (Treviglio)
123 "	FARDELLI Giuseppe	BRICCHERIO-Via Cappella Pereri 4 (Torino)
124 "	RIBOTTA Chieffredo	ROCCA FLAVIONE - Via Scalelli 13 - A Pio
125 "	CUTI Attilio	S. FLAVIO BAGANZA - Felino (Parma)
126 "	BOSCHI Otello	Via G. Maroti n. 6 - ROMA -
127 "	ADEME Angelo	MESAGGI - Via Roma 59 (Pezzano)
128 "	RICCI Michele	LIVIGNO (Mosello) Via Toselli 2 (Mil.)
129 "	ZAVASSA Isidoro	S. DANILANO (Savona)
130 "	REZOS Paolo	PALO SASSELLO (Savona)
131 "	COMINATI Mario	BENVIGNO DI CALVIGNASSO (Milano)
132 "	ZINILINO Armando	MONZAMBANO (Mantova)
133 "	TURINI Marino	POLAFIERA - Via Marconi 9 (Mondovi)
134 "	SAVARINO Remo	TOURNA DI SIEVA
135 fante	MOSCARDELLI Rino	31 Dec. 44 TORRE ANNUNZIATA (Napoli)
136 "	RICCIARDI Giovanni	

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137 fante	CAVALLARO Salvat.	31 Dec. 44.	TAURIANOVA (R. Calabria)
138 "	IMPANTINI Giuseppe	"	MALIFEMO (Potenza)
139 Granat.	CASAROTTO Vittorio	"	CALVAGNANE (Brescia)
140 fante	MARINELLI Franco	"	Telissi (Bari)
141 Cap. m.	SCIQUA Giuseppe	"	Palermo
142 fante	COSTANTINI Pio	"	Morola (Prosinone)
143 "	BARLOTTA Antonio	1 Jan. 45.	TORRITA FIBERTINA (Roma)
144 autiere	INTINO Renato	"	Via Regina Margherita 117 ROMA.
145 "	ESPOSITO Adolfo	2 Jan. 45.	Via Arco Travertino 18 ROMA
146 Granat.	VASSETTI Fosco	"	S. ELERO (Firenze)
147 "	CIPRIANI Cipriano	"	S. TOFATO - Via Menan 50 - (Fistola)
148 fante	MEO Giuseppe	"	SARLANO - Via N. Sauro - (Napoli)
149 "	SERRAVERE Giuseppe	"	MAIDA - Via Pilla - (Catanzaro)
150 "	TOSINI Antonio	"	TERRANOVA BRACCIOLINI (Arezzo)
151 Granat.	PAMPALONI Carlo	4 Jan. 45.	Via Petrare 42 FIRENZE.
152 fante	DENAGO Girolamo	"	CITTANOVA (Reggio Calabria)
153 "	IACOMUCCI Raffaele	"	BOCCA MORICE (Teramo)
154 "	BORLA Francesco	5 Jan. 45.	Via Riformo 17 ROMA.
155 "	LOMBARDI Antonio	"	PENARO - Via Carve 5 - (Benevento)
156 "	TAPINI Alfio	"	Piazza Donnicco Tani 31 TIVOLI
157 Sergente	RADOWSKI Armando	7 Jan. 45.	Gazzolo degli Ippoliti (Mantova)
158 Corporale	DI BRAZZA Giusto	"	Andina (Sicilia)
159 fante	PASTORE Fortunato	"	Assume (Magenta)
160 "	GIARASOI Antonio	"	COCCHI (Catanzaro)
161 "	CARIDA Vincenzo	"	PIZZO CALABRO (Catanzaro)
162 Cap. m.	QUERCIO Giovanni	"	Via Trento n. 8 - CALABASSO -
163 fante	RIVIERI Emilio	"	Via Foco n. 1 - AFRANIA -
164 "	CROATTI Asselmo	"	Villa Alba 8, Pellegrino (Forli)
165 "	MICHELINCCI Giovanni	"	Via Boia n. 1 - FIRENZE -
166 "	MIRRA Aurelio	"	Via Giorgio Rebo - PALERMO -
167 "	CACCIAPONI Vincenzo	"	Villa Ricca (Aversa) <i>Napoli</i>
168 "	PONTANI Silvano	"	TORINO -
169 "	MAGNIFICO Carmelo	"	Villa Rosa - Etna -
170 "	CIARILLI Romano	"	Via Amello Firenze.
171 Granat.	XECCHI CIAPPELLI Gherardo	"	Reggello - Via del Casentino (Fir).
172 "	RODINELLA Renato	"	Via del Boschetto - ROMA -
173 fante	CUTICINI Donato	8 Jan. 45.	Pieve di Quarto - OLMO - (Arezzo)
174 "	MASSONI Flavio	"	Via Verdi n. 11 - FIRENZE -
175 "	LATTI Francesco	"	ROSCIO - Perugia -
176 "	MORIGGI Mario	"	-ROMA- Via Porco-Borgata da Cascia.
177 "	PARIS Angelo	"	PIUGGI - Via Cassino -
178 "	BENTINI Davide	"	LEZZANE (Brescia) - Via Cresta 47 -
179 "	D'ORTONA Mario	9 Jan. 45.	MANTENERO DI BISACOLA (Campobasso)
180 "	VERILLI Bernardo	"	GIUSTEDEL GALLIGNE (Benevento)
181 "	REVERENTI Wilhelmo	"	TENI - Via delle Ore n. 6
182 "	ESOGNI Ilio	"	BORGO PISIA No 9 (1909) - Fila.
183 "	COCCHI Alberto	"	Via Lungo Tevere Testaccio ROMA.

88 Sgt. str. "Triuli":

153	"	LOMBARDI Antonio	"	"	"	Piazza Domenico Tani 34 TIVOLI
155	"	TAPINI Alfio	"	"	"	Casale degli Ippoliti (Mantova)
157	Sergente	RADOVSKI Armando	7 Jan. 45.	"	"	Andinus (Sicile)
158	Corporale	DI BRAZZA Giusto	"	"	"	Assume (Magenta)
159	fante	PASTORE Fortunato	"	"	"	COCCURI (Catanzaro)
160	"	GUARASCI Antonio	"	"	"	PIZZO CALABRO (Catanzaro)
161	"	CARIDA Vincenzo	"	"	"	Via Trento n. 8 - CATERASSO -
162	Cap. n.	QUERCIO Giovanni	"	"	"	Via Foce n. 4 - ANANIA -
163	fante	RIVIERI Emilio	"	"	"	Villa Alba s. Pellegrino (Pori)
164	"	CRUATTI Asselmo	"	"	"	Via Boia n. 1 - FIRENZE -
165	"	MICHELLOCCI Giovanni	"	"	"	Via Giorgio Rebo - PALERMO -
166	"	MIRA Aurelio	"	"	"	Villa Ricca (Aversa) <i>napoli</i>
167	"	CACCIAPORTI Vincenzo	"	"	"	TORINO -
168	"	PERANI Silvano	"	"	"	Villa Rosa - Sns -
169	"	MAGNIFICCO Carmelo	"	"	"	Via Arnello Firenze.
170	"	CIABILLI Romano	"	"	"	Reggello- Via del Casentino (Fir).
171	Granat.	MEZZANI GIANNELLI Gerardo	"	"	"	Via del Boschetto - ROMA -
172	"	RENDIBELLA Renato	8 Jan. 45.	"	"	Pieve di Quarto - OLMO - (Arezzo)
173	fante	CATTIOLI Donato	"	"	"	Via Verdi n. 11 - FIRENZE -
174	"	MASSIGHI Flavio	"	"	"	RUSCIO - Perugia -
175	"	LOTTI Francesco	"	"	"	-ROMA- Via Porco-Borgata da Cascia.
176	"	MORICCI Mario	"	"	"	FIUGGI - Via Cassino -
177	"	PARIS Angelo	"	"	"	LEZZANA (Brescia)-Via Fresta 47 -
178	"	BERGHI Davide	9 Jan. 45.	"	"	MONTENARO DI BISACCIA (Campobasso)
179	"	D'ORTONA Mario	"	"	"	GIUSTRE DEL GIALONE (Benevento)
180	"	VERGILLI Bernardo	"	"	"	TERMI - Via delle Ore n. 6
181	"	REBERTI Wilhelmo	"	"	"	BORG PIANA No 9 (Napoli) - Fici.
182	"	BISOGNI Ilie	"	"	"	Via Lungo l'evere Testaccio ROMA.
183	"	COCCI Alberto	"	"	"	

88 Rgt. ffr. "Friuli" :

1	fante	RICCI Sergio	27 Dec. 44.	"	"	PONTASSIEVE - Firenze- Via Gioberti
2	"	CUDA Domenico	"	"	"	S. ILARIO (Catanzaro)
3	"	AVARO Michele	29 Dec. 44.	"	"	RISARIO - Via Bologna 64 (R. Calbaria)
4	"	FORCILE Antonio	"	"	"	OSFIDALETTO D'ALFANO (Aveellino)
5	Granat.	SIMONETTI Giuseppe	"	"	"	MOTOLA - Via Alfieri n. 23 -
6	fante	BALDASSI Ugo	"	"	"	S. AVATO DI COLLINA
7	Serg.	LOLAONO Nicola	26 Dec. 44.	"	"	VIA GIUSTI 2 (Firenze)
8	fante	IPPOLITO Ugo	30 Dec. 44.	"	"	BORGATA PIETRO LATA (Roma)
9	fante	CASERTA Antonio	"	"	"	BORGATA PIETRO LATA (Roma)
10	"	MESSERI Rocco	"	"	"	PADULLI (Benevento)
11	"	MINIONI Sergio	31 Dec. 44.	"	"	GIUGLIANO (Pistoia)
12	"	MARROCCOLI Renzo	"	"	"	BOSCHI (Cremona)
13	Cap.	BARMANDEL Ettore	"	"	"	MISOLANO (Verona)
14	Cap. m.	AMEROSINI Giovanni	2 Jan. 45.	"	"	NAPOLI - Via Vantolieri n. 5 -
15	fante	PALLOTTINI Lello	"	"	"	ROMA - Via R. De Nobilis
16	"	MAGLI Francesco	5 Jan. 45.	"	"	CAROVIGNO (Venezia)
17	"	BUCCHILLI Attilio	"	"	"	ROMA - Via 2 Ponti 21 -
18	"	OMI Giovanni	"	"	"	VARELLI (Frosinone)
19	"	RICCI Giovanni	6 Jan. 45.	"	"	ROMA - Via degli Arvagli n. 61 -
20	Granat.	MARGI Angelo	8 Jan. 45.	"	"	RAVIGO -Bergantini-Via Bergamo 37

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21	Granat.	8 Jan. 45.	MILANO - Via C. Ausiopo 7
22	"	"	PADOVA - Via S. Simone Statico 9 -
23	fante	"	ROMA - Via L. Frincoati
24	Cap. m.	"	ROMA - Via L. Frincoati
25	Granat.	9 Jan. 45.	SACILESSO (Mantova)
26	"	"	ROVIGO - Via Monti n. 6 -
27	fante	"	ALBEROBELLO (Bari)
28	Serg. te	26 Dec. 44.	SANTACATA DEI GOTI (Benevento)
29	Serg. m.	"	Lacedonia (Avellino)
30	fante	"	Campiglia Marittima (Piedimonte)
31	"	"	Bellegra (Roma)
32	"	"	Laviano-Via C. Fiorentino (Roma)
33	"	"	Caprarola-Via R. Margherita
34	Autieré	"	PATRIGNA - Corso Umberto 19 -
35	Capor.	"	FILTRADANTA (Via Traversa) - Lucca -
36	fante	"	GUIDOVIA - Via Casolo n. 1.
37	"	"	SEMI - Via Bocca del Lupo 27 (Lt)
38	"	"	FONDI (Littoria)
39	"	"	FLANO ROMANO
40	"	"	S. GIUSTO (Pisa)
41	"	"	Monte Porzio Catone (Roma)
42	"	"	Settecamini (Roma)
43	"	"	SURA - Contrada Quagliarini -
44	"	"	ROMA - Via Cornelia 16 -
45	"	"	ROMA - Via Scolori n. 13
46	"	"	ROVIANO - Roma -
47	"	"	MARANO EQUO (Roma)
48	"	"	FORTELLA (Roma)
49	Cap. le	"	ROMA - Via Clementini 90 -
50	fante	"	ROMA - Via Scarpanto 23 -
51	Capor.	"	ALBERTINA (Roma)
52	fante	"	ALVIANO (Viterbo)
53	"	"	ROMA - Via Accidia n. 137 -
54	Cap. m.	"	BASSANO SUTRI
55	fante	"	Roma - Via Bando n. 12 -
56	"	"	TOFFIA (Rieti)
57	"	"	MOMERO (Rieti)
58	"	"	ROMA - Via Salaria -
59	"	"	ROMA - Via Carosai n. 44.
60	Cap. m.	"	ROMA - Via di Olimpia n. 30
61	"	"	ROMA - Via Proccida n. 5-
62	Capor.	"	ROMA - Via G. Tonello n. 15
63	fante	"	CASTELNUOVO DI FARFA (Rieti)
64	"	"	ROMA - Via dei Corvairi n. 113
65	"	"	ROMA - Borgata Pietrolata
66	"	"	LENOLA - Via V. Bernardo -
67	"	"	SORIANO NEL CILIO
68	"	"	CORTONA - Via Portale
69	Sergente	"	ROMA - Via Tibertina Km. 6 -
70	fante	"	Fondi (Littoria)

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40	PERANI Corrado	3. GIUSTO (Pisa)
41	ROSSI Caspare	Monte Porzio Catone (Roma)
42	MARTINELLI Gino	Settecamini (Roma)
43	CAPOBIANCO Luigi	SESA - Contrada Quagliarini -
44	DI PERI Pietro	ROMA - Via Corvelia 16 -
45	SARATINI Silvestro	ROMA - Via Scolori n. 13
46	FORNILI Renzo	ROVIANO - Roma -
47	FIORINZI Paolo	MARANO EQUO (Roma)
48	INUSCIAN Marcello	POZZELLA (Roma)
49	MARTINANGOLI Augusto	ROMA - Via Clementini 90 -
50	TARALLO Gennaro	ROMA - Via Scarpanto 23 -
51	SIMONETTI Valentino	ALESSANDRIA (Roma)
52	ELLANGIANNI Tullio	ALVIANO (Viterbo)
53	MARCHETTI Estevan	ROMA - Via Accilia n. 137 -
54	BRASILI Emilio	BASSANO SUTRI
55	CAPONE Otelio	Roma - Via Rembo n. 12 -
56	RAUCCI Attilio	TOFFIA (Rieti)
57	PROIETTI Antonio	MOMPEO (Rieti)
58	ZACCARIA Rudio	ROMA - Via Salaria -
59	GIAMINELLO Gino	ROMA - Via Carozzi n. 44 -
60	SALVINI Antonio	ROMA - Via di Olimpia n. 30
61	PONTANA Nino	ROMA - Via Procula n. 5 -
62	VRATINI Dino	ROMA - Via G. Toricello n. 15
63	LUCIANI Giovanni	CASCELNUOVO DI PATRA (Rieti)
64	SERENI Alberto	ROMA - Via dei Coronari n. 113
65	ROCHI Enrico	ROMA - Borgata Pietrolata
66	NATALE Benedetto	LENOLA - Via V. Bernardo -
67	STORZI Angelo	SERIANO NEL CIRENE
68	PASTIGERI Marcello	CERTONA - Via Portale 2.039 f
69	INNOCENTI Giuseppe	ROMA - Via Tibertina Km. 6 -
70	DI TROCHIO Omerato	Fondi (Littoria)
71	SIGNERENTI Romolo	Roma - Via S. Giovanni Laterano
72	RELISANI Remo	FRASCATI - Via Ottaviani n. 60 -
73	PIZZA Pasquale	MILINA MARELLA
74	REGUCCI Renato	AVEZZANO - Via Platone n. 9
75	CIANI Mario	ROMA - Via Confida n. 4
76	FOLCARELLI Filippo	PRIVERNO - Roma -
77	CAVALLARI Mario	ROMA - Via M. Porzio n. 15 -
78	MAURA Luigi	ROMA - Via Buffolotto n. 39 -
79	LAOONVACCI Gino	ACETIS S. BLASIO - Littoria -
80	SANTORO Antonio	VEROLI (Frosinone)
81	ANGELI Gaudentio	ROMA - Via Savorgniani n. 15 -
82	IABINI Fernando	ROMA - Via Salce - n.
83	BATTAGLIA Francesco	ROMA - Via Catone n. 6 -

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25	Reg. Arty. "Friuli".			
1	Cap. m.	ABATE Antonio	30 Dec. 44.	Taranto - Piazza Fontana n. 33
2	artigl.	CENCI Augusto	"	Ripatransone (Ascoli Piceno)
3	"	CHITI Renato	31 Dec. 44.	Pistoia - Via Provinciale 214
4	"	LISI Renato	2 Jan. 45.	SALERNO (Salerno)
5	Cap. m.	SOLDANI Brunero	3 Jan. 45.	COLLIANO (Pisa)
6	artigl.	GIOVANNINELLI Luciano	26 Dec. 44.	CENTOCCELLE (Roma) Via Segino 22
7	"	ZANONI Adelfio	"	S. Lorenzo Nuovo (Viterbo)
8	"	RICCI Amato	"	Rosignano Solway - Castelnuovo -
9	Capor.	BOSCHI Tranquillo	"	VECOCHINO (Pisa) Via Roma 4
10	artigl.	CERESARI Giuseppe	"	ROMA - Via Lombardia n. 14 -
11	"	PANZETTA Bernardo	"	FORANO (Orvieto)
12	"	LUCIANI Umberto	30 Dec. 44.	Ripatransone (Ascoli Piceno)
13	Capor.	DANI Fosco	31 Dec. 44.	PISTOIA - Via S. Lanciaio
14	artigl.	PONZIANI Corrado	"	CECINA DI LARCIANO (Pistoia)
15	Sergente	STAMBERA Luigi	2 Jan. 45.	TULLIO (Lecce)
16	artigl.	RUBICHINI Gioacchino	3 Jan. 45.	POIANO CENTOLA (Viterbo)
17	"	GIULIVI Ubaldo	26 Dec. 44.	SIRIOGLIANO (Viterbo)
18	Capor.	PENICINI Luigi	"	TARQUINIA (VITERBO) Piazza Tribuna
19	artigl.	STRADAIOLI Adelfio	"	Orbetello - Podere S. Donato -
20	Serg. te	CARRA, Piladelfo	"	Torsapenna (Roma)
21	Artigl.	CROSTATA Carlo	"	Denano (Orvieto)
22	"	FIORAVANTE Savino	"	Arcidosso - piano del maturo (Gross.)
23	"	FEDIELI Angelo	"	Roma - Via S. Luciano n. 1
1	Btg. Genio			
1	Sergente	SABUCCHI Mauro	26 Dec. 44.	ROMA - Piazzale Belle Arti n. 3
2	Cap. m.	CASPARINI Antonio	30 Dec. 44.	CASTELGRANDE (Potenza)
3	Caporale	GRASSO Aldo	"	BALZI (Potenza)
4	"	CAPERCHI Giuseppe	29 Dec. 44.	S. Pietro del Carso (Trieste)
5	"	DI MAIO Saverio	27 Dec. 44.	ISOLA LIRI (Frosinone)
6	Geniere	HALDONI Pio	26 Dec. 44.	Via d. Fratte 32 - BRASCATI -
7	"	ELIANCHI Michele	"	Monte S. Biagio (Lt.) Via Fornetto 4
8	"	VANUCCI Ettore	31 Dec. 44.	VIANECIO - Via S. Andrea 18
9	"	BERGUSTA Virgilio	28 Dec. 44.	ROMA - fraz. Gragnocelli
10	"	BOMFREGIO Enzo	27 Dec. 44.	Piazza Duomo - ALBANO LARIONE (Roma)
11	"	MANGONI Domenico	28 Dec. 44.	MASSA MARTANO (Perugia)
12	"	MARIGO Romeo	27 Dec. 44.	ALBANO (Roma) - Via Paluzzo 24
13	"	VELONI Andrea	"	TUFALO (Roma)
14	"	PACCHETTI Bruno	28 Dec. 44.	Via Speciosa 7 - PERUGIA -
15	"	PIZZETTI Enrico	"	Via S. Angelo 40 - Abbazia S. Salvat.
16	"	VITELANI Antonio	30 Dec. 44.	MORRE PERIZIO CATONE - Via Battisti 14
17	"	VAVASSORI Giuseppe	4 Jan. 45.	GRIMARO (Bergamo) Via F.lli Calvi
18	"	STINGELLI Mario	5 Jan. 45.	Via Traversa Lemmabari NAPOLI
19	"	SORO, Domenico	31 Dec. 44.	Meleocucca (Reggio Calabria)
20	"	MURINI Luigi	26 Dec. 44.	PATRICA (Frosinone)

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1 Caporale LIRI, Luigi

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18	Capor.	PERUGINI Luigi	"	TARQUINIA (VITERBO) Piazza Tribuna
19	artigl.	SERRAVALLE Adolfo	"	Crastello - Podere S. Donato -
20	Serg. te	CARRA' Vileldelfo	"	Torrepianza (Roma)
21	Artigl.	GIUSEPPE Carlo	"	Bianco (Orvieto)
22	"	FICHAVALTE Savino	"	Arco di S. piano del maturo (Gross.)
23	"	FIDELLI Angelo	"	Roma - Via S. Luciano N. 1

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1	Sergente	SAMBUCINI Mauro
2	Cap. M.	CASPARINI Antonio
3	Caporale	GRASSO Aldo
4	"	CAPERCHI Giuseppe
5	"	DI MAIO Saverio
6	Geniere	PALDINI Pio
7	"	ELIAZZI Michele
8	"	VARNUCCI Ittore
9	"	BONAPOLTA Virgilio
10	"	BONFIREZZO Enzo
11	"	MANGONI Domenico
12	"	MARIGO Romeo
13	"	MELONI Andrea
14	"	PABROTTINI Bruno
15	"	VIZZANI Enrico
16	"	VERRIANI Antonio
17	"	VAVASSORI Giuseppe
18	"	SPINELLI Mario
19	"	SERO' Domenico
20	"	MONTINI Luigi

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1	Caporale	LINDELL Luigi	
2	autiere	STIA GLIO	
5	"	AMORATI Vincenzo	

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1 artigl. PROLUNGI GIULO
2 " PACIOMI ARIBATO

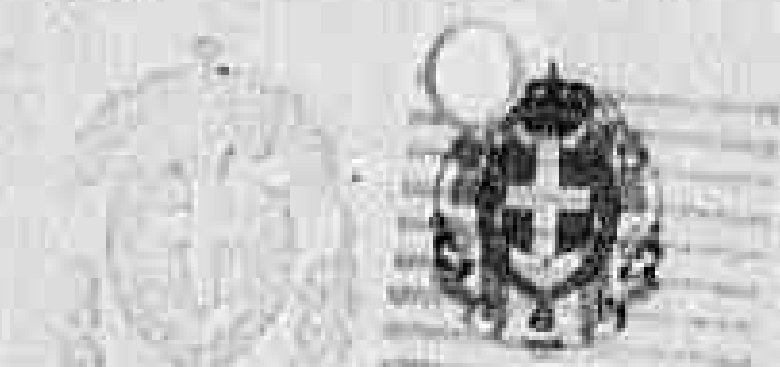
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fante VIASCHI Fosco

26 Dec. 44.	ROMA - Piazzale Belle Arti n. 3
30 Dec. 44.	CASIMIR/GRANIS (Potenza)
"	RA. 21 (Potenza)
29 Dec. 44.	S. Pietro del Carso (Frieste)
27 Dec. 44.	ISOLA LIRI (Frosinone)
26 Dec. 44.	Via d. Fratte 52 - PRASCATI - Monte S. Biagio (Lt.) Via Fernetto 4
31 Dec. 44.	VIAREGGIO - Via S. Andrea 18
28 Dec. 44.	ROMA - fraz. Dragoncelli
27 Dec. 44.	Piazza Duomo - ALBANO LARICE (Roma)
28 Dec. 44.	MASSA MARTANO (Perugia)
27 Dec. 44.	ALBANO (Roma) - Via Paluzzo 21
"	TUFALO (Roma)
28 Dec. 44.	Via Speciosa 7 - PERUGIA -
"	Via S. Angelo 40 - Abbazia S. Salvnt.
30 Dec. 44.	MONTI PORZIO CATONE - Via Battisti 14
4 Jan. 45.	CARDARO (Bergamo) Via c/lli Calvi
5 Jan. 45.	Via Traversa Lemmatori MAROLI
31 Dec. 44.	Melecucca (Reggio Calabria)
26 Dec. 44.	PATRICA (Frosinone)
31 Dec. 44.	ROMA - Via della Scrofa n. 57
8 Jan. 45.	AFFIQUANO DEL TRONTO - Via Roma 85
26 Dec. 44.	ROMA - Via G. Santellini n. 2
30 Dec. 44.	ROMA - Viale Marconi - Dorsitorio Lesials FF. SS.
1 Jan. 45.	S. Maria degli Angeli (Perugia)
26 Dec. 44.	Crespina Cernaia (Pisa)
28 Dec. 44.	Firenze - Via Senese n. 296

Rank.	Name.	Date of Absence.	Address.
<u>26 Sezione 44 Sanità.</u>			
1	Caporale PROIETTI Armando	21 Dec. 44.	-ROMA - Via Flavio 47
2	soldato SPINELLI Stirello	"	-AVELLINO - Via Capone 37
3	" MILO Adolfo	20 Dec. 44.	-BRACCI (Lecce) Via Stella n. 13
4	" MARTINZA Anselmo	21 Dec. 44.	-CARRARA D'ARUNZO (Teramo)
5	" SASSO Martino	20 Dec. 44.	-MOTULA (Taranto) Via M. Pagani 12
6	" SPINELLI Giovanni	21 Dec. 44.	-AVELLINO - Via Capone 37
7	" SPINELLI Vito	"	"
8	" DI STANISLAWO Eug.	"	-COLLECCHIA (Teramo) Via Plebiscito n. 4
9	" GIANI Silvio	"	-SANTOPIETRO (Campobasso) Via Piave. 9
10	" PANAROLA Saverio	20 Dec. 44.	-CONVERSANO (Bari) Via Martirello 87
11	" RUSSO Giuseppe	"	-CITTADUOVA (N. Cel.) Via Leopardi 14
12	" GIOMI Mario	21 Dec. 44.	-NOVILLARA (Pesaro) Via Cerreto 44
13	" PRACCHETTI Salvat.	20 Dec. 44.	-FASANO (Lecce) Via Ramis n. 8
14	" ANIELASSI Pasquale	21 Dec. 44.	-NAPOLI - Via Colasanto 17
15	" GARGANO Domenico	"	-GLAZZANO-Castelli (Teramo)
16	" DI MARCO Mariano	27 Dec. 44.	-CARRARA NUOVA (Roma)
17	Autiere BENTIVOLIO Liberato	1 Jan. 45.	-ARLICO IMPERO (Avellino) Via Arnesse n. 110
<u>82 Casale da Campo.</u>			
1	Autiere SALZANO Ferdinando	26 Dec. 44.	-ROMA - Via Montecatini n. 5
<u>26 Casale da Campo.</u>			
1	Caporale RAFFAELLI Renato	26 Dec. 44.	-ROMA - Piazza S. Maria Liberatrice.
<u>130 Duclio Chirurgico.</u>			
1	soldato RALLI Sante	26 Dec. 44.	-S. VINCENZO (Orvieto)
2	" RAVELLI Rolando	"	-CANTAGROSSO (Livorno)
<u>316 Sq. Fanettieri.</u>			
1	soldato CARVALLO Pasquale	26 Dec. 44.	-Via della Roga - GROVE DI CASINO (Viterbo)

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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Translate

9 GEN 1945
Roma

Mr Barton Major

ALL LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C.(M.M.I.A.)
= R O M A =

Divisione V/E
Aut. 1° 5861/V

Oggetto: Cappotti per granatieri.
gratuito per (grenadier) italiani

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Il Comando del Gruppo di Combattimento "Friuli" ha chiesto l'assegnazione di n.327 cappotti di panno g.v. occorrenti per dotarne alcuni granatieri dell'87° e 88° reggimenti fanteria, che ne sono completamente sprovvisti od hanno in distribuzione cappotti troppo piccoli.

La richiesta è motivata dal fatto che i magazzini di distribuzione inglesi non dispongono di cappotti di taglia grande e che in conseguenza dei rigori del clima è necessario dotare i suddetti militari dell'indispensabile indumento.

Si prega codesta M.M.I.A. di far conoscere se questo Ministero può aderire alla suddetta richiesta.

PEL MINISTRO

Fellign

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CALL	CIRCUIT No.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
	NR 2735	IMPORTANT	8/18
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			
FROM (A) AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHQAL			DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 171920 A
TO (FOR ACTION) (1) MAIN 8th ARMY (2) 50 BLU (3) DISTONE (4) 5th ARMY (BR INCR)			
(5) HQ 38 VER COY (6) 6 GP 38 VER COY FOR 5VP (7) 15 ARMY GP			
(8) KIA (9) 37 VER COY ATTD 38 VER COY			
TO (FOR INFORMATION) FOR 408 RVP			MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS QVR 8

(REF. No.)

EX 86862

(SECURITY
CLASSIFICATION)

SECRET

QC 636 OF 11th JAN FROM 50 BLU REFERS.

1. UNIVERSAL CARRIERS QTY 17 RELEASED TO YOU FOR FRIULI ITALIAN 2d COMBAT GROUP EX 5 VP UNDER SERIAL AVR 8306 WITH COMPLETE KIT. THESE ^{TO} REPLACE STANDARD LIGHT RECCE CARS QTY 17. REGRET NO REPEAT NO OTHER SUITABLE TYPE VEHICLES AVAILABLE.
2. STANDARD LT RECCE CARS WILL BE RETURNED WITH COMPLETE KIT AS DRAWN TO 408 RVP ROME.
3. CARRIERS WILL BE LIFTED BY RAIL TO 18 VP RIMINI PLANNED FOR PERIOD 29th JANUARY-4th FEBUARY.

IMPORTANT

TIME DECIPHERED 181225A.LW

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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MSG Center No : N 27/18

Classification : SECRET

Precedence : PRIORITY

From : AFHQ SIGNED SACMED

To :

(1) MAIN ARMY (2) SOALU (3) DISTRICT ONE
(4) 6 ARMY (BRITISH INC) (5) HQ 38 VEH. COY (6) 6 GROUP 38 VEH. COY
FOR 6 VEH. PARK (7) 16 ARMY GROUP (8) MINLIA (9) 37 VEH. COY ATTACHED
38 VEH. COY FOR HQ 8 RVC

Date Time Rec'd

Date Time Sent : 171920

Reference NR : EX 86862

Cite : FHQ 48

SECRET (1) RC 636 OF 11 JAN FROM SOALU REFERS (1)
ONE (1) UNIVERSAL CARRIERS QUANTITY 17 RELEASED TO YOU
FOR FRANKI ITALIAN COMBAT GROUP IEX 15 VEH PARK UNDER
SERIAL AKA 8306 WITH COMPLETE KIT (1) THREE TO
REPLACE STANDARD LIGHT RECONNAISSANCE CARS QUANTITY
17 (1) REGRET NO OTHER SUITABLE TYPE VEHICLE
AVAILABLE (1)

TWO (1) STANDARD LIGHT RECONNAISSANCE CARS WILL BE
RETURNED WITH COMPLETE KIT AS DRAWN TO HQ 8
RVC ROME (1)

THREE (1) CARRIERS WILL BE LIFTED BY RAIL TO
11 VEHICLE PARK RIMINI PLANNED DIRECTION PERIOD
24 JAN - 4 FEB.

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SUBJECT: Transfer of Personnel

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.O.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. S/G/29/15
11 Jan 45

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

The attached list of men rejected by FRIULI Group, most of whom you sent to RTC IGV, is forwarded to you for action.

In view of my letter, S/G/29/27 of 3 Dec 44, please ensure that this practice ceases.

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

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SUBJECT: Welfare

50 Brit Liaison Unit

Chief of Staff

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10 Jan 45

1. On 3 Jan 45 I visited 87 Inf Regt for the purpose of inspecting welfare facilities, and I regret to report that the regt has so far failed to achieve anything. While the regt has 7 rooms with tables and chairs, and a number of games, the troops do NOT participate, because of the absence of light and heat. Maj OULANSKI who is in charge of the regt welfare, declared that he had no loans of any kind for the welfare room, nor any money to purchase wood for fires. Other deficiencies were playing cards - for example, III Bn 87 Inf Regt has only one pack - 'Libri palli' novels of detective or adventure type - newspapers and magazines, food and drink. The most serious aspect of all this, is that Maj OULANSKI or his assistant has NOT complained of these deficiencies, a fact which leads one to suspect that welfare is NOT given the attention it merits. It is NOT incorrect to connect this neglect with the fact that this regt has by far the greatest number of deserters.

2. The following suggestions are made to improve the situation.

- a) Units of the Group to report how many rooms are actually functioning and, if not, for what reasons.
- b) Welfare Officer at Group HQ. An Ten col D'ANGELO was assigned as Welfare Offr to the Group seven weeks ago, and has not arrived, may a temporary substitute be appointed to provide the necessary central impetus to Group welfare efforts and to contact outside benevolent societies.
- c) Profits on sales of food and drink, or organized tombola, and the balance of the monthly canteen fund be devoted to the purchase of welfare amenities such as wood, books - second hand as well as new - extra games, and writing materials for letter home.
- d) Newspapers. The regt obtains the utterly inadequate number of 30 copies of the local newspaper, and this not every day. I am informed that the Ministry of War now has a daily newspaper ready for distribution to the Group. Arrangements should be made for 1,000 copies to be delivered to the RIB used by the Group, so that they can be collected with the rations and distributed to units at the scale of one copy for seven men.
- e) The unit canteen must operate near the welfare room.

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M. Fieldman

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10/121Maj
ADACCopy to HQ 1 District
HQ 237A

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CIPHER RAC MESSAGE FORM

CIPHER RAC		SECRET	9/12
CIPHER NO.	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS	
NR 8928	P	Intercept.	
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			
FROM (A)	MAIN 8 ARMY	DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN	111848
TO (FOR ACTION)	15 ARMY GP		
TO (FOR INFORMATION)	MAIN 13 CORPS MMIA LO	Message Instructions	GR
(REF. No.)	A1246	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	SECRET

FRIULI GRUPPO DEFICIENT OF 950 AGAINST WE INCL 489 RIFLEMEN 967 DVRS
I/C 46 VEH MECHS 43 DRS 119 W/L OPS 70 ARMOURERS. AS FIGHTING STRENGTH
FURTHER REDUCED BY 420 AWOL 194 IN HOSPITAL AND 152 LINE SICK REQUEST
EFFORT MADE TO MEET EXISTING DEFICIENCIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

May Gelardi - action *WP*

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in Cipher, without being PARAPHRASED
(Messages marked O.T.P. need not be
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G/2/13
22 dic. 1944

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OGGETTO : ordini permanenti: nomenclatura.

G I DAA & Q.M.G.

G II DADST

SORA DADOS

SORE SC REME

SO Sign. Camp. Com.

Ad evitare confusioni nelle dizioni inglese ed italiana della parola gruppo (Group o Gruppo), il Gruppo Friuli sarà in futuro denominato in tutte le lettere "FRIULI I.C.G." (Italian Combat Group).

FFK Ball (maggiore)
per il ten.col. G.S.

G.M.F.

FFKB/RCB

Copia al Capo di S.M.

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50 BLU

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FROM FIDLEY TO SOUTHEY (*) YOURS OF 1 JAN RECEIVED AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD BY ALL (*)
RECHET CANNOT VISIT BEFORE 12 JAN MEANTHILE CARRY ON LINES OF WMTA ADM INSTR 18
OF 1 DEC PARA 9 d AND WMTA TSG/29 OF 23 DEC (*) AVOID ISSUES IF POSSIBLE PENDING
DOVE

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[Signature] major

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Subject: VEHICLES - CLASES

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP.

22nd Dec 1944

ORDNANCE**RELEASE SERIAL No. Q (AE) 1419**

Release is authorised of the following vehs to 1 District for 1 Italian

Combat Group.

Serial No.		Qty	Remarks
	Carriers 3 rd Mortar All kit.	30	Ex 6 Veh: Pk POLIGNO 1 District will arrange for driving party to collect.

Special Instructions:

Collection details will be on Unit copy of Ordnance Instructions

Copy:- 1 District
50 BLU
MIA.

PSS2 1005 10M 7-44

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Brigadier DQMG

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACMED/ CITE FHQAE

211850A

TO DISTHREE

INFO 52 HLU
HQ 38 Veh Coy
4 Gp 38 Veh Coy
4 Gp 37 Veh Coy

FX 72316

RESTRICTED

ONE (.) Your CG 2148 of 19 Dec (.)
TWO (.) Following transport released you for No. 1 Italian
G T Coy from 9 Veh Park CAPUA under release VR 782 (.) Qty
8 cars 2 Str 4 x 2 class I Qty 8 Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS (.)
THREE (.) Released from No 6 Group BARI release VR 782 (.)
Qty 19 motor cycles solo 500 CC Class I Qty 2 3 Ton B/Down
6 x 4 Class I Qty 2 3 ton W/shop 4 x 2 class I Qty 50 3 Ton 4 x 2 GS c
Class I Qty 82 3 ton 4 x 2 GS Class I D Qty 3 trailers 15 cwt
water class I Qty 3 Trailers 15 cwt water Class I D

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LROF VALL M.P. 4MB-2-3-4-A-LAE-211850A

DISTHREE

52 BLU MMIA HQ 38 VEH COY 4 GP 38 VEH COY 4 GP 37 VEH COY

BR117

EX72316 OF

ONE (.) ~~YOUR CG 2148~~ 19 DEC (.) SIGNED SIGNED GITE

FOR NO. 1 TTHMPT C.T. Coy

PHQAR (.) TWO (.) FOLLOWING TRANSPORT RELEASED FROM 2 VEH PARK CAPUA

UNDER RELEASE VR 782 (.) QTY 8 CARS 2 STR 4 x 2 CLASS I QTY 3 TRUCKS 15 CWT

4 x 2 GS (.) THREE (.) RELEASED FROM HQ 6 GROUP BARI RELEASE VR 782 (.)

QTY 19 MOTOR CYCLES SOLO 500 CC CLASS I QTY 2 3 TON B/DOWN 6 x 4 CLASS I

QTY 2 3 TON W/SHOP 4 x 2 CLASS I QTY 50 3 TON 4 x 2 GS CLASS I QTY 82 3 TON 4 x 2 GS

CLASS I D QTY 3 TRAILERS 15 CWT WATER CLASS I QTY 3 TRAILERS 15 CWT WATER CLASS I D

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Kout } 7 copies*

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PRIORITY

Q(AS)

2 Q(AS)
1 Q(AS) (B)
M & TN
G-3

J.R. LITTLE MAJOR
BRIEFING 124

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Q (AE) BRANCH

VEHICLE RELEASE NOTE

Ref. A/VR/8213.

Date 10 Dec 64.

To: HQ 7.A.I. for No 1 Italian
Combat Group.

Release of the undermentioned vehicles is authorised.

Quantity

Description of Vehicles

17. Cars Li Recce Standard

Remarks: EX 5 V.P. Kit A/B I II + III (Initial Issue)
For collection from BISCEGLIE.

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RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS

1. On receipt of this release authority, the unit or formation will await release instructions from Ord (Br).

2. AMHQ Q (AE) release and Ord (Br) release will both be handed to the Vehicle Park at the time of collection. The Vehicle Company have been instructed that release will not be made unless both copies of release voucher are presented.

DISTRIBUTION:

Ord (Br)
File

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M.M.A.

Major
For Brigadier,
Q (AE)

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Subject: VEHICLES - RELEASES

ORICE

HQ, AM

10 Dec

RELEASE SERIAL No. Q (AE) 3935

Release is authorised of the following vehs to 1 District for Comdr
1st Italian Combat Group.

Serial No.		Qty	Remarks
6015/30	Car Instr lach Humber Class I Def.	1	Ex 13 Veh Flk, 3 Veh Op. POLIGNO. 8/Sec 12/12 on 14/17

Special Instructions:

Collection details will be on Unit copy of Ordnance Instructions

Copy:- 1 District
1st Lt
50 BIL.

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Brigadier DQMG
Brigadier DQMG

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

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CALL

CIRCUIT No.

PRIORITY

TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

NR 362

Important

GR 3/0

SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)

Freedom signed Sacred cite FROG

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN

111345A

TO (FOR ACTION)

Main AM

TO (FOR INFORMATION)

HQ MAC MTA 50 BLU 38 Veh Coy
7 Gp 37 Veh Coy

MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS

GR

(REF. No.)

PX 66850

(SECURITY
CLASSIFICATION)

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Released to you for no.1. Italian Combat Group ex 5 VP
under release A/VH/3213 cars light recce standard qty 17(17)
with kit complete. For collection from Bisceglia.

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	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION		

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FROM MAIN A A I
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INFO 38 VEH COY
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Q A E 1412

Q(AE) 7271

RESTRICTED (.) RELEASED TO YOU UNDER RELEASE
FOR 1 ITALIAN COMBAT GP CARRIERS

TRACKED TOWING QTY 9 EX 16 VEH PK (.) 50 B L U ARRANGING DRIVERS

TO COLLECT
BT THI 1925

SENT NR 2457 RMLC B

RECD 102116A USA KK

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LMKE V LRAR NR 2433
QVR5

FROM MAIN A A I 081745A
TO AFHQ FOR Q(AE)
INFO DISTONE 38 VEH COY 50 BLU
QCY GR --- BT

Q(AE) 7269
CONFIDENTIAL (.) REQUEST RELEASE FOR FIRST ITALIAN COMBAT GP
STANDARD LIGHT RECCE CASE// CARS QTY 17 EX 5 VEH O// PK (.) UNIT
SENDING DRIVERS TO COLLECT (.) E T A 13 DEC
BT THI 1925
SENT NR 2453 FHLC P
RECD 102117A US KKK

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SUBJECT:- Training - Italian Combat Gps

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tele:- FILPOT 75

2004/40/G(Trg)

6 Dec 44

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8/12

DMT

Copy to:- CG FIFTH ARMY (for Brit Incr)
MAIN EIGHTH ARMY
13 Corps
1 District
50 BLU
51 BLU
ALTA

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Ref your DMT/55/12/MT1 dated 28 Nov 44 - Report on State of
Trg PRIULI Combat Gp.

1. It is agreed that the Trg Increments should stay with the Gps
at present. It is also recommended that they should remain with them
until they have completed their first tour of duty in the line if
requested by the Corps Comd.
2. Your agreement to this recommendation is requested.

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Field-Marshal,
Commander-in-Chief.

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SUBJECT: FRIULI Convoy

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

File No. S/G/29/15

6 Dec 44

TO : 50 HLU

Attached are reports of 75 Coy G.M.P. (T.C.)
on the FRIULI Group Road Convoys.

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

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SUBJECT:- Conference - Trg of FRIULI Combat Gp

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tele:- FILPOT 75

2004/40/G(Trg)

1 Dec 44

CG FIFTH ARMY (2)
13 Corps
1 District
55 Area
MILA
50 BLU (2) (incl one for CG 56 Div Trg Team)

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G(SD2)	Ord
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Ra	" BML/G(Trg)

1. Att are Minutes of Conference held at HQ AAI 29 Nov 44 to discuss Trg to be carried out by FRIULI Gp in the RADDA area.

2. Addressees are requested to take the action required of them as soon as possible.

1. Circulate to 1/2, G. A/R.

2.

for Lieutenant-General,
Chief of General Staff.

Separate and file in
Part I. APP R. B in "Training"
Part II a APP.C. in "Directives"

3. B.F. Directive file to me

W.P.
3 Dec.

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file 3/12.

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DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ATHQ, CMF

Tel: 11667

DET/55/12/AMT

28 Nov 44.

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SUBJECT: State of Training -
FRULI Combat Group

G-3 Trg, ATHQ
G (SD), HQ AAI (2)
HQ 191A, CMF

Copy to:
OG 50 BLU, CMF
DET/55/1/AMT

With reference to HQ AAI 1605/50/73/G (SD 1) dated 17 Nov 44, I forward herewith report on state of training of the FRULI Combat Group as at 20 Nov 44.

H. K. Kanching

Brig.
398F.

AGE/no

A.D.C.

G.O.C. should see this
and then pass to

Reviewing report
20 Nov 44
JK

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Copy to:

OC 50 BLU, CPT
DNT/55/1/MT1

With reference to HQ AAI 1605/50/75/G (SD 1) dated 17 Nov 44, I forward herewith report on state of training of the PRULLI Combat Group as at 20 Nov 44.

H. K. Kanchawala

Encl. 3.
390 F.

AKK/hc

A.D.C.

G.O.C. should see this
and then pass to

C(SD)

A.G.V.

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*Review report
28 Dec 44*
[Signature]

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
ATTN, CMT

Tel: 11667

DET/55/12/MTM

28 Nov 44

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REPORT ON STATE OF TRAINING OF TRIUMPH COMBAT GROUP
AS AT 20 NOV 44

1. Quality of Personnel

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(a) NOOs

From observation of the NOOs trained as instructors at our schools and of their work during training, I have no hesitation in saying they are quite good material. There is a high proportion of regulars amongst them who have accepted jobs in lower ranks in order to get back to fighting. In some respects they appear to me at least equal to and capable of taking charge of their men in the field as our own present NOOs.

(e) Rank and File

These appear to me excellent material, when given leadership. They have stood uncomfortable conditions cheerfully during training. They know how to look after themselves under such conditions until they get on the move at night when not so good. They need more practice at this. The average standard of intelligence is I think lower than with our own rank and file, but the standard of physical endurance and readiness to work long and patiently is certainly as good as with our own men. They picked up the handling of their new weapons quite well. They move across country fast and not stupidly; they show quite a fair knowledge of the use of ground. The accuracy of their rifle fire is poor, and the training of their snipers is not far advanced. They are very pleased with their battledress, and so far have managed to maintain a reasonably good turn out.

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Gun control is good. Battery routine in getting into position is fairly good.

Batteries are slow in getting on to the target, and control of fire is reported as "weak and mixed largely owing to lack of skill in maintaining certain intercommunication, and failure to decentralize"; although on the last regimental exercise this was reported as improving. Regimental concentrations have been fired with fair success, and batteries have fired frequently in support of infantry battalion exercises. Anti-tank and AA are both reported as good. The anti-tank battery put up a fine performance at the British School of Artillery.

3. EQUIPMENT

MT The early serious situation has been much improved by the incorporation of a number of skilled men obtained by MIA, and by long hours of intensive work by teams of instructors borrowed from Mechanics' School and Royal Artillery.

Maintenance is weak but improving. Driving by the men who have been trained is quite fair, especially in convoy, and the fault of furious driving is less prevalent than with most Italian drivers. Before the Division is equipped to be completely mobile, a number more drivers should be trained, and we intend to do all we can at this at a Reinforcement Depot as soon as one can be established.

4. ENGINEERS They have been trained in Bailey Bridging, and in mine lifting and laying. Their work is satisfactory on the training ground, but they require opportunities for practical application under service conditions in co-operation with other troops. They are reported as less willing than the other arms to work hard at night or in bad weather. It is suggested that exercises should be held under these conditions.

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- (d) All Arms Co-operating An outstanding weakness in this training has been, of course, the lack of time for much training in co-operation between all arms. Evidently the Italian Army had no idea of ~~the~~ so know as a fire plan.

Exercises on a battalion level with live ammunition and with 25-mm and anti-tank guns fired in co-operation, point the need for two or three more such exercises before they operate against Germans. BIV have humored in this weakness, and in some cases have had time for "repeat" exercises, but I hope there will be time for still further repetition. I think the anti-tank layout needs improving, especially as the shooting of these guns is good.

(c) Patrolling

In addition to the above, a certain amount of training in patrolling has been done. The Italian line was weak in this. Some improvement has been effected, and there is reasonable skill in the use of round developing. Tighter control of fire during patrols is necessary, as well as stern repression of a tendency to use a spectacular shower or 77 grenades to solve any tactical problem of a patrol. The will to capture or kill silently in assault patrols needs even emphasis. Reconnaissance patrols need more practice but they are keen observers with good eyes.

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(c) A signal exercise in conjunction with the signals of a British formation. They are reported as technically good, but still weak in security and chattering.

(d) Continued efforts to train more tank drivers organised by the GSO II S & F of the BCU, who has put in much good work on this.

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It Col SOUTHBY was a first-rate choice for this, and he has a very good team. They have worked very hard, and the Italians have confidence in them. They will, however, have much to do in the forward area apart from training, and I suggest the 7th Increment be left with them, if the Corps Commander agrees, certainly until they have had their first week in forward positions.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: A 912

Date/Time of Origin: NOV 30 1230A

Message Centre No: C/2339

Date Time Recd: NOV 30 145A

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AAI MAIN

TO: (1) DISTONE INFO (2) CG 5TH ARMY (3) 5TH ARMY FOR BR INCR (4) MAIN 8TH ARMY
(5) REAR 8TH ARMY (6) PBS (7) ALLIED COMMISSION (8) IMCIA (9) 50 BLU

INFO - ACTION

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Reference my A 859 of 23 November not to all.

1. FRIULI group is authorised to despatch forthwith leave party of not more than $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ of group strength to destinations south of line LEGHORN - FLORENCE - RIMINI all inclusive. Period of leave not more than 7 days excluding travelling time. Group transport may be used. All personnel will be in possession of AMG yellow movement permit issued by Provincial Commissioner AMG SIENA province to whom written application should be made by 50 BLU. Conversation GII BLU - AAG AAI refers.

2. Further $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ may be despatched on leave on return of above party.

This is meant to be $(6\frac{1}{2}\%)$ WP

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for 50 ALU
37 Beach Group for Col SOUTHEY
50-BE

SS 410

SECRET

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spares (.) Carriers BLR 30 (.) Reasons engines or differentials US (.) 146
vehicles repaired since DME's visit (.) Unquote

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[Signature]

Trini File

ITEMS DEFICIENT FOR RESIDENTIAL MEDICAL OFFICE OF
FRUIT DIVISION

- Twin medical chests complete
- Medical packs
- Medical knapsacks
- Medical bags
- Lighting sets, acetylene
- Boxes for special rations
- Aluminum water bottles for stretcher bearers
- Stretchers
- Twin trestles to support stretchers
- Blankets, woolen
- National flags
- Brassards, Red Cross
- Cloth bags of 1.25 for water
- Thomas splint, arm
- " leg
- Straps for stretchers
- Dental boxes

petrol or kerosene

12	x	IT
18	x	IT
22	x	IT
90	x	IT
13	-	? Urine sample
13	-	any box will do.
95	x	British supply (III)
53	-	IT
22	x	British supply
81	-	Plasterboards
12	-	IT
564	-	IT
26	-	not counted
20 x	Medical	IT
50 x	Medical	IT
160	-	IT
2	x	Medical - IT

Medical

ITEMS DEFICIENT FOR UNITS OF FRUIT DIVISION

- Petronex Lamps
- Disinfectors
- Water Purifier

Various items of surgical instruments to complete panniers.

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May Head - Please operate with big Hygie

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ROUTINE

From

EME 50 BLU

To

COL SOUTHBY RB G.S.O.1 50 BLU

40 MMIA info DDME 3 DISTRICT
DME AFHQ

Date Time Rec'd

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Date Time Sent

Reference NR

ME 58

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TO COL SOUTHEY RB GSC 1 50 HLU 251635
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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

C. A. I. I.		CHIEF OF NO. NR 3637	PRIORITY ROUTINE	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS QVR 2	32/25 211
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNATURE USE ONLY					
FROM (A)	MAIN AAI			DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN	241740A
TO (FOR ACTION)	FREEDOM				21/6
TO (FOR INFORMATION)	MM IA 50 BLU			S/Sec 25/11	Message Instructions CR
(REF. No.)	Q(AE) 7175			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	SECRET

REF 50 BLU SIGNAL GS 383 DATED 19 ADDRESSED AFHQ FOR ADME ORG.
REQUEST YOU ADVISE (A) WHAT ACTION BEING TAKEN REPLACE VEHs
REPORTED BLR AND ESTIMATED DATE AVAILABLE. (B) WHETHER ANY
IMPROVEMENT EFFECTED TOOL AND SPARES POSITION. GRATEFUL YOU
ENSURE IF CLASS 1 DEFICIENT VEHs ISSUED TO GRUPPI ADEQUATE
SCALE TOOLS ISSUED IN ORDER ALLOW MAINTENANCE

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
REME

Tel: FREEDOM 503

Subject:- Report on Visit to 50 BLU and
FRULLI GRUPPO - 18 Nov 44

ME A/1/1605/1

To:- MECLA
DDME HA AAI

20 Nov 44

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Herewith for your information copy of my even
number dated 19 Nov 44.

Copies have also been sent to Q(AE) AFHQ, DDME
3 District and 50 BLU.

K. A. McK. Randles

K.A.McK. RANDLES, Lt-Col. ADME,
for Major-General,
Director of Mechanical Engineering.

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Gruppo - 18 Nov 44

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To:- DEME 1

19 Nov 44

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I was satisfied that everything possible is being done to correct the adverse conditions described above as rapidly as possible.

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I consider that an Armourer per GRUPPO should be added raising the number of CRs recommended by DAME 3 District from eight to nine, and he agrees with this.

I suggest that the addition of these personnel to the HLU establishments would be unwieldy and that a separate establishment should be approved forthwith under some such designation as "REME MAINTENANCE INCUMBENT FOR 'GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO'". This should be self contained with cook, orderly and transport, and would probably be required for about six months; after that the Italians should be sufficiently organised and sufficiently acquainted with British equipment and able to deal with supporting British formations by themselves.

MEMA stated on the 14 Oct 44 that instructions would be issued immediately to the effect that an Italian officer at each HQ GRUPPO would be appointed to discharge the whole time duties of CREME. This has not yet been done for the PRULLI GRUPPO although it has been done for the CREMONA GRUPPO. I consider that MEMA should be ordered to implement this decision forthwith for all GRUPPI.

With regard to the equipment and organisation of the remaining GRUPPI I consider it essential that -

- (a) The Italian units equivalent to REME and ORD be equipped before the other units of GRUPPO.
- (b) That an additional LAA Wksp, or the equivalent, be provided forthwith for the CREMONA GRUPPO because the two LAA Wksps will be very shortly required for LEXANO and POLARE GRUPPI, i.e., I consider that if the total REME resources now allotted for the organisation and equipment of the six GRUPPI in accordance with the timetable now notified, be augmented by one LAA Wksp, it will be possible to carry out the plan as envisaged.

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with British equipment and role of the Italian units supporting British operations by themselves.

4.

MEIA stated on the 14 Oct 44 that instructions would be issued immediately to the effect that an Italian officer at each HQ GRUPPO would be appointed to discharge the whole time duties of CREMA. This has not yet been done for the FAULI GRUPPO although it has been done for the CREMA GRUPPO. I consider that MEIA should be ordered to implement this decision forthwith for all GRUPPI.

5.

With regard to the equipment and organisation of the remaining GRUPPI I consider it essential that -

(a)

The Italian units equivalent to REME and CRD be equipped before the other units of GRUPPO.

(b)

That an additional LAA Wksp, or the equivalent, be provided forthwith for the CREMA GRUPPO because the two LAA Wksps will be very shortly required for LERANO and POLJORE GRUPPI, i.e., I consider that if the total REME resources now allotted for the organisation and equipment of the six GRUPPI in accordance with the timetable now notified, be augmented by one LAA Wksp, it will be possible to carry out the plan as envisaged.

K.A.M.K. RANDES, Lt-Col. ADME 1

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SS 366

Restricted.

Following from AAI begins (.) Your SS 334 of 15
subject leave for GRUPPI (.) Agree controlled
parties may proceed on leave to areas forward of
Rear Army Security control line except into immediate
battle zone definition of which follows earliest
together with details of pass required etc (.) Ends

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Important.

W.P. ~~Chley~~ Colonel

SUBJECT: Vehicle Inspection Report

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.S.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. S/G/23/15
20 Nov 44

TO : AAI (3 copies)

Rd

1. As a result of our request for a special vehicle inspection of the WEIHLI Combat Group prior to the move, the following report has been received by telegraph from 50 MM.

*FROM: 50 MM

191045

TO : MMIA DISSEM FOR DMS ASEM for ALME (ORG)

CS 223

SECRET

AT situation (.) DMS DISSEMINATE ALME (ORG) AFTER and BADOZ
AFH. visited Group 18 November to survey MT (.) Vehicles
off road 18 November 151 wheels 26 motorcycles 13 tracked (.)
Of these estimated 80 wheels 13 motorcycles 8 tracked can
be on road by 25 November. Further 40 wheels 5 motorcycles
4 tracked can be replaced on road by December 9 (.) Remain-
ing 40 wheels 6 motorcycles 3 tracked almost certainly ALM (.)
Already ALM 30 wheels 17 tracked but replacements for 30
wheels being drawn today (.) Possibility of repair of above
depends chiefly on availability of spares which is at present
bad (.) ALME AFH and DMS consider present situation primar-
ily due to lack of discipline among ITALIAN drivers and lack
of control by ITALIAN Officers (.) Second cause failure to
obtain trained ITALIAN drivers and driver mechanics or to
provide ALM personnel for instruction until far too late (.)
Third cause issue of large proportion of Class I inefficient
vehicles without tools etc (.) Fourth cause lack of spares
Considered other vehicles of Group capable of move to new
location (.) All in agreement that ALM DISSEM with Group
have done magnificent job of work (.) MT including vehicles
listed above 480 vehicles of group have been through various
workshops in last six weeks i.e. in under 2 months 50% of
vehicles in Group have needed workshop attention (.) All
further in agreement that all present ROAD RA and ROAD per-
sonnel less 23 MM workshop MUST move with and remain with
Group (.) Considered opinion all that Group will require 4
weeks after arrival new location before sufficient instruction

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SECRET

GA 343

MT situation (.) DIME DISTRICT ALBA (Org) AFHQ and SMOB
AFHQ visited Group 12 November to survey MT (.) Vehicles
off road 18 November 181 wheels 16 motorcycles 15 tracked (.)
Of these estimated 80 wheels 18 motorcycles 8 tracked can
be on road by 25 November further 40 wheels 3 motorcycles
4 tracked can be replaced on road by December 9 (.) Remain-
ing 40 wheels 6 motorcycles 3 tracked almost certainly RAR (.)
Already MR 30 wheels 17 tracked but replacements for 30
wheels being drawn today (.) Possibility of repair of above
depends chiefly on availability of spares which is at present
bad (.) AFHQ and DIME consider present situation primar-
ily due to lack of discipline among ITALIAN drivers and lack
of control by ITALIAN Officers (.) Second cause failure to
obtain trained ITALIAN drivers and driver mechanics or to
provide BRITISH personnel for instruction until far too late (.)
Third cause issue of large proportion of Class 1 defective
vehicles without tools etc (.) Fourth cause lack of spares
Considered other vehicles of Group capable of move to new
location (.) All in agreement that BRITISH RAR with Group
have done magnificent job of work (.) MR including vehicles
listed above 450 vehicles of group have been through various
workshops in last six weeks i.e. in under 2 months 50% of
vehicles in Group have needed workshop attention (.) All
further in agreement that all present RAR RA and RAS per-
sonnel less 83 RAR workshop MUST move with and remain with
Group (.) Considered opinion all that Group will require 4
weeks after arrival new location before sufficient instruction
MR management and maintenance can have been given for Group
to be fit to go into line (.) DIME expect RAR team to
return to DISMEMA when Group leaves (?) present location (.)
This quite out of question (.) Original request for attachment
for 6 weeks from time of arrival MUST stand (.) Please take
necessary action to regularize forthwith

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PACEDANCE DEBOLAT

2. The causes and events leading up to this situation are well known to you and are substantially as enumerated by SO BLD. We have been trying to improve the Italian control arrangements since mid September but results have been slow.

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2. It is recommended that all available British personnel should remain with the Group for a further three weeks and that a further inspection should then be made.

W. P. D. L. - C. L. L.

Major General
M. R. I. A.

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FROM MAIN AAI

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TO MMIA

INFO AFHQ

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Follow for AAI Regins —
— ends.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Q (AE) BRANCH

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VEHICLE RELEASE NOTE

Ref. VR/ 512

Date 17 Nov 44

To : **No. 3. District for 1st Italian Combat Group**

Release of the undersmentioned vehicles is authorised.

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Quantity	Description of Vehicles
10	Trucks 15-cwt 4x2 G3 G1 ID
5	do G1 I
10	Lorries 3-ton 4x2 G3 G1 ID
8	do G1 I
2	Tractors L.A.A. G1 I

8/8cc

20/11

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Remarks :

8-4/11

RELEASE from 9 Vehicle Park, Capua.

395+

RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS

1. On receipt of this release authority, the unit or formation will await release instructions from Ord (Br).
2. AFHQ Q (AE) release and Ord (Br) release will both be handed to the Vehicle Park at the time of collection. The Vehicle Company have been instructed that release will not be made unless both copies of release voucher are presented.

DISTRIBUTION :

Ord (Br)
File

MMIA ✓
50 BLU

Brigadier,
Q (AE)

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FROM : MIA
 TO (ACTION) : 50 BLU 51 BLU
 (INFO) : 52 BLU 53 BLU

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For signals (.) Italian wireless net and crew at present
 at 50 BLU will move to 51 BLU on 22 NOV (.) Communication
 with MIA will not be interrupted any longer than absolutely
 necessary (.) w.e.f. 0200 A hrs 23 Nov 51 BLU Rear Link 'G'
 Code Signal (Sequence 23 Row 4) will be used (.) 51 BLU
 Rear Link Ciphers will man link (.) Capt ALKSEW will be
 responsible for all arrangements (.) Report immediately if
 any difficulty over ciphers (.) Ask by signal

PRECEDENCE..IMMEDIATE

AUTHENTICATED

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PAULI COMBAT GROUP.

50, British Liaison Unit,

Subject :- State of Readiness as at 11 Nov. 44.

C.M.P.

(1) Personnel

(a) Officers .

- (i) At present 25 over establishment.
- (ii) Replacements demanded but not yet received for 10 inefficient senior officers.
- (iii) Five senior officers posted to Group but not yet joined.

(iv) General Standards

Regt. Comds. Inf. satisfactory.

Regt. Comds Arty. doubtful (very set in old, bad, Italian ways.)

Bn. and equivalent Comds. tactically weak and not yet allowed sufficient scope by Regt. Comds.

Coy. and equivalent Comds. tactically weak and not yet allowed sufficient scope by Bn. Comds.

Platoon and equivalent Comds. 60% good material, 40% below standard.

(b) Other Ranks.

- (i) At present 500 over strength (NOT including 5% First Reinforcements but INCLUDING 270 sick), but, 470 NOT expected to move with Group (Hospital 320 Leave (mostly A.W.O.L.) 150).

(ii) N.C.O's. quite good.

(iii) Rank and File . Excellent material if well led.

(c) Specialists.

(i) Drivers wheeled

Estab. 1,016

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(ii) M.G.'s. quite good.

(iii) Rank and File . Excellent material if well led.

(c) Specialists.

(i) Drivers wheeled

Estab.	1,016
Deficient	250

(ii) Drivers Tracked

Estab.	223
Deficient	120

(iii) Motor Mechanics

Estab.	200
Deficient	65

(iv) Operators W/T

Estab.	480
Deficient	175

(v) Operators Director Arty.

Estab.	100
Deficient	30

(vi) Armourers

Estab.	60
Deficient	47

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(2) Equipment.

(a) Small arms complete except for :-

Mortars 3" 50% deficient.
Mortars 2" 66% deficient.
Flat 50% deficient.

(b) Artillery substantially complete except for :-

Directors No.7 50% deficient.

(c) Signals Substantially complete.

(d) Misc. substantially complete except for :-

Binoculars 50% deficient.

(e) Vehicles.

(i) Supply substantially complete except for :-

Cars Light Recce 35 deficient (100%).
* But 18 less
7 Esp. pt.
Certain Specialist vehicles.

(ii) Availability MOST UNSATISFACTORY entirely due to inability to obtain instructors in driving and maintenance, and lack of trained mechanics.

25% (plus) off road for repairs.
5% B.L.R.

(f) Clothing and necessities. Satisfactory except for :- **39.5**

Blankets	8,000 deficient
Boots	Prs. 1,800 "
Socks	" 2,000 "
Meas-tins, knife, fork, spoon.	9,000 "

(3) Training.

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(a) Infantry.

- (i) Individual training satisfactory.
- (ii) Tactical training lacks sound ground work, officers and men of this group having been apparently entirely "out to grass" for nearly three years, and time for instruction on British lines being inadequate.
- (iii) In accordance with D.M.T. directive emphasis in training placed on holding a defensive position, coupled with counter-attacks up to Company level.
- (iv) Battalion exercises on these lines with live ammunition, with anti-tank guns under command, and 25 pounders in support carried out during last week. Results most disappointing.
Practically no idea of a fire plan was shown, anti-tank layout was childish and very little attempt was made to dig in properly.

(b) Artillery.

- (i) 25 Pounders slow in getting on to target and control of fire weak and ragged owing largely to failure to decentralize.
- (ii) Communications uncertain.
- (iii) Regimental concentration has been fired with some success. Batteries have fired frequently in support of battalions.
- (iv) Anti-tank good.
- (v) A.A. good.

(c) Engineers.

- (i) Satisfactory on the training ground but require much opportunity for practical application under service conditions.
Unwilling to work at night or in bad weather.

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(d) Signals.

(i) Short of operators, but on whole satisfactory.

(ii) Officers weak on procedure. Operators too talkative.

(e) Workshops.

(i) Keen, but badly handicapped by lack of any previously trained personnel.

(f) S. and T. Coy. Good.

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Chief General Weaknesses.

- (i) Lack of basic military knowledge at all levels.
- (ii) Shortness of time available to impart the essential basic principles.
- (iii) Unwillingness of Senior Officers to decentralise.
- (iv) Unwillingness of subordinates to accept or assume responsibility.

C.M.F.
AROS/WF

Lt. Col.
G.S.

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

M/C NO 684

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CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY -R-	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS 3/17
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			
FROM (A) SAC <i>DPHG</i>	29/15		DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 161428A
TO (FOR ACTION) AAI MAIN	<i>AI</i>		<i>Sec</i>
TO (FOR INFORMATION) MMIA	17/11		MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR 76
(REF. No.) FX 56325 CITE FHGCT	(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION)		SECRET

REFERENCE YOUR A 801 OF 13. LEAVE FOR FRIULI GP HAS BEEN
RESUMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATION. COLONEL
PIDSLEY NOW WORKING ON DETAILS FOR LEAVE TO ROME AND NORTH.

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SECRET

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LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE:	3940	
	ORIGINATING SECTION:	THI OR TOR	Opp.
	A. G. AUTHENTICATION:	TIME CLEARED	
	ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:		

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(1) SO HLU (2) AFHQ

SS 338

NOT TO AFHQ

CONFIDENTIAL

Reference SO HLU GS 354 of 15 Nov As AFHQ Q(AS) have been requested send experienced technical officer to FRIULI 16 November to discuss position and advise whether AAI should be asked to delay or modify move (.) SO HLU will report finding to MMIA direct (.)

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(1)EM OPS(2) Immediate

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BB 335

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Your GS 334 leave proposals agreed (.) Assume party A already
gone in 40 lorries vide your GS 348 if not send at once (.)
Understand 350 men of parties B and C live in RHE whence they
may be given leave at your discretion during period of move and
rejoin in new area (.) Send rest of party B and those of party
C living south of security line APOHA - SIMTA as soon as you
can (.) Those north of security line referred AAI vide ry GS ³³⁴~~335~~.

PRECEDENCE IMMEDIATE

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[Signature]

Colonel

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AFHQ, 50 BLU

SS 334

CONFIDENTIAL

Your S.601 of 13 Nov (.) Leave for MIULI Group to places South of ROME reopened on 5 per cent basis in Group transport will be completed by 18 Nov (.) 350 men for ROME being given leave during period of move (.) 700 men area ROME SIENA to go soonest after move (.) 750 men live north of Security line where no leave allowed vide S ARMY M 9023A of 4 Oct (.) Consider reasonable and wise to allow controlled parties leave in this area on arrival and recommend early advice of this concession to prevent probable irregularities

✓ BF 24/Nov

IMPORANT

W.P. Doherty
Colville
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50, British Liaison Unit,

C.M.F.

For General Browning.

10 Nov. 44

(1). Officers for whom replacements have been
demanded with approximate date of demand:-

Lt. Col. Calvada.	Last week October
" " Polverosi.	" " "
" " Cinquinto	" " "
" " Saggini	12 October
" " Collarile	" "
" " Chiaporvilli	Last Week October
Major Ceccore	22 October
" Tenzarella	Last week October
" Scidrali	26 October
Captain Balogai	" "
Commanders for two Pz. Coys. Engineers	15 October

No orders have been received as to where these officers are to
go nor have any replacements been received.

(2) Officers posted to Group, but who have not
yet reported, with date of posting order :-

Lt. Col. Capello	3 October
Major Malatini	5 September
" Campanella	" "
" Capetta	17 October
" Vitale	23 October

These officers have been posted to the group to fill previously
existing vacancies and NOT to replace officers in (1) above.

C.M.F.
AFCE/KP.Lt. Col.
G.S.

✓ Informed all officers to day exchanged
16 Nov. File FRIVOLI

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SUBJECT : Deficiencies

50 Brit Liaison Unit

HQ MMIA

14 Nov 44

Herewith weekly deficiency list for the 1st Italian Combat Gp, made up to date as at 0900 hrs 14 Oct 44. Delay in submission is regretted.

CMF
FGRV/SYB

Copy to :
Q(AE) AFHQ
HQ AAI
HQ 3 District
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DADOS

Maj RTR
DAASQMG

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Weekly Deficiency List - FORM 1 - Combat Co.

Part 1 - Vehicles

Designation	Establishment, Original Issue	Deficiency against Budget	Replacements required for Del. Re.
369.	369.	3.	1.
Cars 4 str. 4 x 2.	Nil.	22.	-
" 4 str. 4 x 4.	Nil.	1.	-
" 5 Cvt. 4 x 4.	31.	-	1.
" 2 str. 4 x 2.	19.	54.	-
Trucks 15 Cvt 4 x 2.			
G.S.	297.	346.	9.
Water.	23.	23.	1.
Air Compressor.	4.	4.	-
Wireless House.	46.	46.	-
Ordnance.	7.	7.	-
Machinery Type K L.	1.	1.	-
Generator 9 K W.	1.	2.	-
Trucks 15 Cvt 4 x 4 Personnel.	14.	Nil.	-
Lorries 3 Ton 4 x 2.			
G.S.	296.	296.	8.
Cipher Office } G.S. in lieu {	1.	1.	-
" 2 V. }	1.	1.	-
Disinfectant, (G.S. in lieu,)	1.	1.	-
Office, }	4.	4.	-
Bty Quarterm.	1.	Nil.	-
Bty Storage.	1.	Nil.	-
Breakdown.	2.	Nil.	-
Forecasting.	2.	2.	-
Lorries 3 Ton 4 x 4.			
G.S.	38.	38.	-
Winch.	6.	6.	-
Lorries 6 Ton 6 x 4 Binned.	10.	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 6 x 4 Binned.	12.	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 4 x 4 Stores			
(In lieu of Binned Lorries).	-	32.	-
Lorries 3 Ton 6 x 4 Cranes.	1.	1.	-
" " " Breakdown.	5.	5.	-
" " " Machy X.	1.	1.	-
" " " 150.	1.	1.	-
" " " F.	1.	-	-
" " " D.	1.	-	-
" " " 2.	1.	-	-
Trailers.			
Water.	13.	13.	-
7 1/2 Ton 6 Wld Lt Rescue.	3.	2.	-
15 Cvt 2 Wld Gas Welding.	1.	1.	-
(19 Cvt 2 Wld G.S.	5.	-	-

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Air Compressor.	2.	4.	1.	8.
Wireless House.	46.	4.	-	-
Ordnance.	7.	7.	-	-
Machinery Type K L.	1.	1.	-	-
Generator 9 K W.	1.	2.	-	-
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G.S.	1.	-	-	-
Cipher Office } G.S. in lieu {	1.	-	-	-
T E V.	1.	-	-	-
Disinfectant.	1.	-	-	-
Office.	4.	-	-	-
Qty Charge.	Nil.	1.	-	-
Qty Storage.	Nil.	1.	-	-
Breakdown.	2.	2.	-	-
Foreman.	2.	-	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 4 x 4.	38.	58.	-	-
G.S.	6.	6.	-	-
Windm.	10.	10.	-	-
Lorries 6 Ton 6 x 4 Binned.	12.	12.	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 6 x 4 Binned.	-	-	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 4 x 4 Stores	32.	32.	-	-
(In lieu of Binned Lorries).	-	-	-	-
Lorries 3 Ton 6 x 4 Crane.	1.	1.	-	-
" " " Breakdown.	5.	5.	-	-
" " " Machy X.	1.	1.	-	-
" " " " 130.	1.	1.	-	-
" " " " F.	1.	1.	-	-
" " " " D.	1.	1.	-	-
" " " " Z.	1.	1.	-	-
Trailers.	1.	1.	-	-
Winter.	13.	13.	-	-
7 1/2 Ton 6 Whld Lt Racee.	3.	2.	-	-
15 Gwt 2 Whld Gas Welding.	1.	1.	-	-
{ 10 Gwt 2 Whld G.S. (In lieu)	5.	1.	-	-
{ 1 Ton " " (In lieu)	65.	6.	-	-
Art.	8.	8.	-	-
Tractors.	-	-	-	-
{ 6 x 4 Breakdown.	9.	2.	-	-
{ 6 x 4 Gun Tower. (In lieu)	48.	9.	-	-
A/Tk.	12.	48.	-	-
F.A.	99.	12.	-	-
L.A.A.	42.	99.	-	-
Carriers.	42.	42.	-	-
Universal.	82.	82.	-	-
Mortar.	35.	82.	-	-
Universal.	18.	35.	-	-
Lloyd.	1.	17.	-	-
Core, Light Recce.	-	-	-	-
Amplance.	-	-	-	-

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B.L.Rs shown represent vehicles for which B.L.R. certificates are held and do not represent true situation. Actual number of B.L.Rs probably 100 % more.

Weekly Deficiency List "PART II - Combat Co.

Part II - Arms and Artillery Components.

Designation.	Establishment.	Original	Deficiency Replacements
		Number	Number
25 Pdr.	32.	32.	-
17 Pdr.	8.	8.	-
6 Pdr.	36.	36.	-
40 M.M.	12.	12.	-
3" Mortars.	40.	20.	-
2" "	140.	45.	-
L.M.G's.	500.	500.	-
P.I.A.T's.	198.	102.	-
T.S.M.G.	2543.	2543.	-
Rifles.	5389.	5389.	-
Pistols.	426.	426.	-

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Weekly Deficiency List "FRIULI" Combat Co.Part III - Other W.O. Controlled Stores.

Designation.	Establishment.	Original issue.	Deficiency Replacements against required for Estab. B.L.Ps.
{ Compasses prismatic.	304.	175.	129.
{ " Magnetic. (In lieu)	-	121.	-
Watches G.S. (Partly in lieu of Watches Stop)	432.	431.	1.
Pistols, signal.	66.	66.	-
Binoculars No. 2.	295.	225.	70.
" No. 5.	19.	10.	9.
Mine Detectors.	41.	41.	-
Rangefinders No. 2.	6.	6.	-
" " 13.	2.	2.	-
Direction No. 7.	20.	12.	-

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Weekly Deficiency List "PRIME" Combat Co.

Part IV - Clothing, Necessaries & C 1098 Equipment.

Quantity
Deficient.

Designation.

Blankets.

8000.

Mugs drinking.

9000.

Socks.

2000.

Housewives.

9000.

Knives.

8000.

Forks.

9000.

Spoons.

8000.

Braces.

4000.

Boots.

2000.

Cookers No. 2.

215.

Cooling Triplex No. 4.

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Containers 6 Gall.

Insulators, containers 6 Gall.

Weekly Deficiency List "FRUL" Combat Co.Part V - Engineer Equipment.Major deficiencies.

Part No.	Designation.	Quantity deficient.
372.	Boards drawing imperial.	1.
330.	Tapes measuring steel 100 ft Mk II.	1.
385.	Bags tool filled Bricklayers and Masons.	2.
280.	Hammers Carpenters claw 1½ lbs.	48.
385.	Kits of hand tools textile refitter.	1.
354.	Levels spirit 18" rules.	2.
374.	Planes smoothing 2½".	4.
397.	Pliers sidecutting, 5".	24.
385.	Rules riband 6 ft.	30.
393.	Tools screwcutting R.A. sets No. 2.	1.
448.	Wrenches pipe 12" or 14".	3.
448.	Wrenches pipe 18".	1.
542.	Chests tool filled Blacksmiths fd RE basic.	2.
543.	Chests tool filled Blacksmiths fd RE supplementary.	1.
544.	Chests tool filled Carpenters fd RE basic.	4.
546.	Chests tool filled Fitter fd RE.	1.
547.	Chests tool filled Painters fd RE.	2.
549.	Chests tool filled Tinsmiths fd RE.	2.
550.	Kits of hand tools Electricians fd.	2.
JA	Axes felling.	42.
004.	Axes felling handles.	60.
005.		
VO		
1380.	Protractors rectangular 6", ivoryine A Mk IV.	4.
1050.	Scales math No. 1.	1.
2330.	Tapes measuring steel 100 ft Mk II.	2.
TA		
074.	Angers earth M 9".	18.

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|------|---|-----|
| 072. | Boards drawing imperial. | 1. |
| 080. | Tapes measuring steel 100 ft Mk II. | 1. |
| 081. | | |
| 085. | Bags tool filled Ericklayors and Masons. | 2. |
| 090. | Hammers Carpenters claw 1 1/2 lbs. | 48. |
| 095. | | |
| 100. | Kits of hand tools textile refitter. | 1. |
| 105. | | |
| 110. | Levels spirit 10" rules. | 2. |
| 115. | Planes smoothing 2 1/2". | 4. |
| 120. | Pliers sidecutting, 5". | 24. |
| 125. | Rules ribband 6 ft. | 30. |
| 130. | Tools screwcutting R.A. sets No. 2. | 1. |
| 135. | | |
| 140. | Frenches pipe 12" or 14". | 3. |
| 145. | Frenches pipe 18". | 1. |
| 150. | Chests tool filled Blacksmiths fd RE basic. | 2. |
| 155. | Chests tool filled Blacksmiths fd RE supplementary. | 1. |
| 160. | Chests tool filled Carpenters fd RE basic. | 4. |
| 165. | Chests tool filled Fitter fd RE. | 1. |
| 170. | Chests tool filled Painters fd RE. | 2. |
| 175. | Chests tool filled Tinmiths fd RE. | 2. |
| 180. | Kits of hand tools Electricians fd. | 2. |
| 185. | | |
| 190. | Axes felling. | 42. |
| 195. | Axes felling handles. | 60. |
| 200. | | |
| 205. | Protractors rectangular 6", ivorine & Mk IV. | 4. |
| 210. | Scales math No. 1. | 1. |
| 215. | Tapes measuring steel 100 ft Mk II. | 2. |
| 220. | | |
| 225. | Angers earth K 9". | 18. |
| 230. | Bars boring and jumping No. 3 Mk I. | 6. |
| 235. | Concrete breakers pneumatic No. 1 or 2. | 4. |
| 240. | | |
| 245. | Drills twist Blacksmith 1/8". | 48. |
| 250. | Drills twist Blacksmith three sixteenth inch. | 18. |
| 255. | Drills twist Blacksmith 1/4". | 18. |
| 260. | Drills twist Blacksmith wallets canvas. | 5. |
| 265. | Saws pneumatic. | 4. |
| 270. | Tool fd screwcutting RE sets C. | 1. |
| 275. | | |

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Weekly Deficiency List "RELI" "Combat Gr.

Part VI - Arty Equipment.

Part No.	Designation.	Quantity deficient.
	Chests tools Fitters Equipment Repairer.	8.
	Peralteloscopes.	52.
	Boxes G.P.O.	8.
	Reconstruct R.A. 3".	20.
	" " 6".	20.

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Weekly Deficiency List "FRIULI" Combat Co.

Part VII - Mech Engrs Equipment.

Part No.	Designation.	Quantity deficient.
0782.	Chest tool filled Blacksmiths.	4.
0042.	Chests tool filled Electricians.	5.
1478.	Chests tool filled Dvr Mochs.	36.
1459.	Chests tool filled Panel beaters.	3.
1503.	Chests tool filled Textile refitters.	3.
1500.	Chests tool filled Welders acetylene.	3.
1434.	Kits hand tools A.A. wireless.	5.
5623.	Shelters portable.	1.
1204.	Gauges measuring plug bore low limit 40 mm Mk I Guna.	1.
1486.	Instrument testing No. 1.	1.
0998.	Testers battery discharge.	1.
4258.	Hydrometers acid cell portable Mk I.	1.
0456.	Instruments testing AVOMETER DC.	1.
	Kit hand tools Armourers.	1.
5313.	Covers waterproof 20 x 15.	1.
5316.	Covers waterproof 24 x 18.	2.
5319.	Covers waterproof 30 x 20.	4.
5324.	Covers waterproof 30 x 30.	4.
5594.	Shelters portable No. 1.	2.
5624.	Shelters portable No. 3.	4.
YA	Telephone Sets F.	1.
2586.		1.
XA	Voltmeters DC.	2.
9550.		1.
2634.	Jack lifting trolley type 4 1/2 tons.	1.

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SECTION LV6/AM1.

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1478.	Chests tool filled by	3.
1459.	Chests tool filled Panel beaters.	3.
1383.	Chests tool filled Textile refitters.	3.
1380.	Chests tool filled Welders acetylene.	3.
EB		
1434.	Kits hand tools A.A. wireless.	5.
JA		
5623.	Shelters portable.	1.
MC		
1264.	Gauges measuring plug bore low limit 40 mm 13x I Guns.	1.
WB		
1486.	Instrument testing No. 1.	1.
0998.	Testers battery discharge.	1.
ZE		
1263.	Hydrometers acid cell portable Mk I.	1.
0456.	Instruments testing AVOMETER DC.	1.
JA	Kit hand tools Armourers.	3933
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5315.	Covers waterproof 24 x 18.	2.
5319.	Covers waterproof 30 x 20.	4.
5324.	Covers waterproof 30 x 30.	4.
5594.	Shelters portable No. 1.	2.
5624.	Shelters portable No. 3.	4.
YA	Telephone Sets F.	1.
2886.		1.
ZA		
9050.	Voltmeters DC.	2.
	SECTION LV6/MT1.	
26344.	Jack lifting trolley type 4½ tons.	1.
31066.	Archors earth holdfast.	4.
11544.	Jacks lifting hydraulic 10 Tons.	2.
	SECTION LV6/MT2.	
33732.	Gauges camber and front axle alignment.	1.
18463.	Vulcanisers No. 2.	1.
VE		
0058.	Clinometers fd.	1.

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LROF V LRLC NR24

FROM MMIA LO LEGNANO 14100A

TO HQ MMIA ROME ✓

QQX GR24 BT

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Spec 507
AER

2/15

15 Nov 1954

A516 RESTRICTED. REQUEST THAT DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS FROM SMRE BE EXPEDITED
FOR EX CIL PERSONNEL AWAITING DISCHARGE ETC IN LEGNANO AREA APPROX 1000
EXCLUDING MONTECRANERO

THI 141110

SENT NR24 14/1610 WB B1

NR 24 RECD 141610A PJB KKK

Spoke SANTI

16 Nov

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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

9712

NR **SECRET**

FROM (A) MAIN AAI

DATE/TIME OF ORIGIN
131815

TO (FOR ACTION) AFHQ

29/15

TO (FOR INFORMATION) NMIA

Message Instructions GR
QJR2

(REF. No.)

S801

SECURITY
CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

AQ 117

14/11

SUBJECT IS LEAVE FOR PERSONNEL OF FRIULI GROUP. UNDERSTAND
LEAVE FOR THIS GROUP HAS BEEN SUSPENDED BY NMIA. CONSIDER
THAT LEAVE SHOULD BE RESUMED IMMEDIATELY ON 5% BASIS AND
THAT GROUP TRANSPORT SHOULD BE USED. OTHERWISE CONSIDER THAT
PERSONNEL WITH HOMES IN SOUTH ITALY WILL DESERT WHEN GROUP
MOVES NORTH

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DECIPHERED 2210/12 RT

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION

PRECEDENCE:
ORIGINATING
SECTION:

IMPORTANT

A. G. AUTHENTICATION:

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

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TIME CLEARED

375 for Rome

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
ORDINANCE BRITISH.

MACH1/821

11TH NOV.44.

RELEASE NOTE No.

DATE

TO:- O.O. GROUP VIII 557 B.O.D.

ISSUE THE FOLLOWING STORES TO:-

50 BLU

PART No.

DESIGNATION.

QUANTITY.

WX.0456

PLANT WELDING & CUTTING Q/A HP HEAVY

1.

COPY TO:- 50 BLU (YOUR 0253 OF 14 NOV REFERS).

1211A

DDOS HQ AAI

DDOS No 3 DISTRICT.

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LT. COL.
FOR MAJ. GEN.
D. O. S.

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FROM DIA

TO 3 District

SS 324

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RESTRICTED

Reference AFHQ CR/1160/G-1 (Br) (Ser. 0683) of 2 Sept
ordering formation of A (50) ILU (.) W3 RA/508/1 allows for 2 Sgt
interpreters (.) Only one interpreter has reported barely
Sgt BROWNEDON (.) Deficiency of second has been bad enough during
training will be worse in operations (.) Please expedite.

PRIORITY IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

W. P. Parley

Colonel

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- 40 Gruppo HQ and all Tps NOT listed below.
- 81. 87 Regt (Senior Regt)
- 55. 1/87 Regt (" Bn)
- 56. 11/87 Regt (Second Bn)
- 57. 111/87 Regt (Junior Bn)
- 87. 88 Regt (Second Regt)
- 60. 1/88 Regt (Senior Bn)
- 61. 11/88 Regt (Second Bn)
- 62. 111/88 Regt (Junior Bn)
- 42. HQ Arty Regt
- 43. Arty (25 Pdr Btys)
- 46. Arty (A/Tk. Bty)
- 47. Arty (L.A.A. Bty)
- 48. Engrs (Senior Fd Coy)
- 49. Engrs (Second Fd Coy)
- 50. Engrs (Sigs Coy)
- 64. Regtl Mortar and A/Tk Coys in Senior Regt.
- 65. Regtl Mortar and A/Tk Coys in Second Regt.
- 74. S & T Coy (equivalent Div Tps Coy)
- 76. Senior Field Hospital
- 76. Second Field Hospital
- 86. Mech Engrs Workshop.

The Div sign will be painted on the LEFT side and the unit number on the RIGHT, both front and back, the unit number being in white on the background of the PRIULI colours.

- 40 Gruppo HQ - mine
- 42 Arty HQ
- 43 25 pdr
- 46 17 pdr
- 47 40 mm.
- 48 1 Fd Coy
- 49 2 Fd Coy
- 50 Sigs
- 55 1 Bn 1 Dpt
- 56 2
- 57 3
- 60 1 Bn 2 Dpt
- 61 2
- 62 3
- 64 Senior Arty 1 Dpt
- 65 Senior Arty 2 Dpt
- 74 S & T Coy
- 76 Mech.

- 81 1 Dpt 50
- 86 Mech Bty
- 87 2 Dpt 140

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LOG V LANE MR27

~~Q. 51~~ 2?

FROM AFMA 121252

TO 50 2 1 11

INFO N-P I-A

650 1 07 C

CSO: 1 0763 (SOUTH)

Figure 1

RESTRICTED

SIGNED SIGNED SITE MORE (•) IN VIEW OF RELEASE

~~SECRET~~ (S) TEST REPORT NOW PENDING BY AAG (S)

REQUEST IMMEDIATE HANDOVER OF ONE RESISTANCE TESTER NO. 3

ISSUED ON RELEASE NO 3154 TO FOURTH ADDRESSEE WHO WILL

COLLECT NOT BEFORE TUESDAY 14 NOV (.) FOURTH ADDRESSING

413/4/7 OF 26 OCT REFERS (.) THIRD ADDRESSEE NOTE THIS

ISSUE UNDER PROJECT AFHQ/D

BT 121252A

SENT MAR 27 121357A JF 81

REC'D 27 1337 RES 53

3927

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FROM INIA

TO AFHQ

SN 303

RESTRICTED

For Q(AR) (.) Reference minutes of 34th meeting IAI W.E.
Committee (.) Increase of two 3 tenors for BLU understood
approved (.) If approved by AFHQ please issue release direct
to BLUs (.) Urgent for 30 BLU.

RECEIVED URGENT

AUTHENTICATED

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FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACRED CITE FHQAE

TO MBIA

112056A

F 51437

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Your SE 303 of 10 Nov (.) Amendment not yet
published (.) Instruct BLUs indent of district
when finally approved

cgl

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LAEE V LAEE NR 85 P

FROM LAEE 112056A

TO MMIA

GR 24 BT

RESTRICTED YOUR SS 303 OF 10 NOV 66 F 31437 SIGNED SACMED CITE
FHQAE AMENDMENT NOT YET PUBLISHED (.) INSTRUCT BLUS INDENT
OF DISTRICT WHEN FINALLY APPROVED

BT 112056A

SENT NR 85 2200A LS BB KKK

RECD NR 85 2200A JN AR KK

Important

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MEUP V LAEE NR 39 QVR 1
FROM ORD BRIT AFHQ 081818A
TO 00 3 SUB DEPOT 557 BOD
INFO MHIA ++ DISTHREE FOR DDOS ++ 50 BLU ++ DDOS AAI
QOX GR-- BT
OS2/703 (.) ~~ISSUE~~ ISSUE TO 50 BLU (.) CLINOMETERS FIELD
QTY ONE R/N A/52/24 (.) UNIT COLLECTING (.) 50 BLU YOUR
Q253 OF 4 REFERS (.) PARALLELASCOPIES NA
BT

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392

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RESERVED STORES

Date 7th Nov. 1966

RELEASE NOTE. No. 1271/3558

TO

Please issue the following stores to:

Release

No. 7/66

Qty. Issued

730
75
6

To be collected today

Release approved

Walter
for ...

Original:-) To issuing depot who will complete and return on
Duplicate:-) to this office
Triplicate:- To consignee

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ARMY FORM 02138 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 44/5

Call

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

Originator

Date/Time of Origin

OFFICE DATE STAMP

For Action

Srl, if this is
wants to be on"Wanted"
pl ??MMA A
FIVE REF

Spec Sec

(W) For Information (INFO)

-Message Instructions-

-GR-

Originator's No.

A2410 SECRET O

contact of surplus personnel
HQ CAMPANIA refuse issue any
instructions or take any action appropriate
S.H.G.F. forthwith

396-

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE RESENT AS NOTIFIED
BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT

WIRELESS

IF LIKELY TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MES-
SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CODEORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

SIGNED

RACPE

IMMEDIATE

Time	System	OK
TH or TOR		
051630		
Time cleared		

SIGNED

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TER. NO. FREEDOM 427

..... 1944

7 Nov

RELEASE NOTE.

Tentage

Release of the undermentioned ~~controlled stores~~ is authorized.

Item.	Quantity	Weight
Rivets	720	75
100 lbs		6
Tents 100 w/store conversion		

To whom released III District for No. 1 Italian Combat Group

Release No. Q(AE) 2/66

Remarks Release from 557 B.O.D.

Special Instructions

[Signature]

[Signature]

for 3920
Brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to :-
III Dist
III
SO B.O.

10 5 4 9

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

..... 7 NOV 1944

29/15

~~SECRET~~

RELEASE NOTE.

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorized.

Item.	Pistols Signal	Qty	57
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To whom released No. 3 District for No. 1 Italian Combat Group

Release No. Q(AE) 22/15

Remarks

Special Instructions

[Handwritten signature]
11/11

R. E. Herd

for *391*
Brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to :-

3 Dist
MIA ✓
50 BLU

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

..... 1947

7 Nov.

~~OND(AE)~~

RELEASE NOTE.

Release of the undermentioned controlled stores is authorized.

Item.

Tents Marquise C.S. Single

~~Inventory~~
Qty

25

To whom released

III District for No. 1 Italian Combat Group

Release No. Q(AE)

1/67

Remarks

Ord Depot BARI.

Special Instructions

[Handwritten signature]

R. E. Harsley

for Capt.,
Brigadier, Q(AE).

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Copy to :-

III District
M.E.I.A. ✓
50 B.L.U.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Q(AE) BRANCH

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 427

..... Nov 1944

~~SECRET~~

RELEASE NOTE.

Tentage

Release of the undermentioned ~~controlled stores~~ is authorized.

Item.

Tents I.P.P.

Qty 30

To whom released

III District for Reinforcement Erg Depot Gruppi.

Release No. Q(AE)

T.68

Remarks

Issue from 557 B.O.D.

Special Instructions

[Handwritten signature]

R. E. H. H. H.

for Capt.
brigadier, Q(AE).

Copy to :-

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HQ III District)
M.M.I.A. ✓

) this HQ letter AFHQ/3193/Q(AE) dated 4 Nov 44 refers

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RESTRICTED

SUBJECT: Formation of Italian Army Units

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No SD/10
6 Nov 44

TO : WAR MINISTRY

COPY to: EASTERN DET 3 DISTRICT
3 DISTRICT
HQ RAAC
MMA LO 3 DISTRICT
AFHQ for DME
50 HLU
51 HLU
MMA LO 54 AREA

FORMATION AND ASSIGNMENT

1. Formation orders w.e.f. 20 Oct 44 have been received for the following Italian Army Units:-

Unit to be formed	WE	G 1098	Offrs	Org	Vehs	Mcs
391 Italian Workshop Coy	AI/3/1	3463/3	5	274	16	2
392 Italian Workshop Coy	(Copy herewith)	3463/3	5	274	16	2

2. 391 Workshop Coy is for CREMONA Combat Group. 392 Workshop Coy is for FRIULI Combat Group, who will be sending tpt to ROE 7 Nov to collect it.

3. PERSONNEL

Personnel have been provided by disbandment and reorganisation of the following Italian Army Units respectively:-

Unit	Location	Cmd	Supervisory authority
953 Sez Officina del Genio	MOLFETTA	AFHQ	3 DISTRICT
954 Sez Officina del Genio	ROME	AFHQ	HQ RAAC

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AFHQ For DEE

50 HLU

51 HLU

MMIA LO 54 AREAFORMATION AND ASSIGNMENT

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Any reinforcements required will be provided from Serial 137 on MMIA Priority List 2.

4. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT

Detail	<u>TRANSPORT</u>			Tot. Italian Wksp Coy (Totals reparto italiano officina)
	HQ (Comando)	Wksp Sec. (Sez Officina)		
Motor cycles, solo (Motociclette monoposto)	2	-	-	2
Car, 4 seater, 4 x 2 (Auto a 4 posti 4 x 2)	1	-	-	1

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Trucks, SPA
(autocarri SPA)

Lorries
(autocarri)

Heavy machinery (Lancia 3 RO)
(autocarri pesante - lancia 3 RO)

Heavy breakdown with crane (Lancia
3 RO) 3/4 ton (Lancia)
(autocarri pesante con gru da 75
quintali)

Total, vehicles
(Totale autocarri)

5.

POSTAL

Postal address will be:

391 (or 392) Italian Workshop Coy C&F

6. It is requested that you inform the Italian adm HQs concerned of the contents of paras 1 to 5 above.

Cow to: HQ
Spec Sec

Major General
M. M. I. A.

DI WEEKLY STATE OF VEHICLES A AND B AS AT NOVEMBER 1944.
CREMONA DIVISION, ITALIAN ARMY.

Item (1)	In Released but Total Col's Still Entab Poss not yet clear 3 and 4 Reg'd. Remarks				
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(7)
Motor Cycles Solo	369	43	43 X	104	203
Cars 5 cwt 4x4	10	10	✓	10	✓
Cars 2 Seater 4x2	72	34	47	71	1 ✓ (1 2 34 403 HLR (69 Jeeps in lieu
Cars 4 Seater 4x2	23	-	7	7	10 ✓ 7 Jeeps in lieu
Cars 4 Seater 4x4	4	-	-	-	1
Cars Light Recon	35	-	-	-	35
Trucks 15cwt 4x2 US	291	46	104 X	140	140 1 HLR
Trucks 15cwt 4x2 Motor	25	-	23	23	- 3 ton type in lieu
Trucks 15cwt 4x2 Off-line	7	-	7	7	-
Trucks 15cwt 4x2 P.P.W.	16	4	20	20	10 20 5/1 in lieu
Trucks 15cwt 4x4 Personnel	4	-	-	-	14
Trucks 15cwt 4x4 Personnel	4	-	4	4	-
Trucks 15cwt Type III	1	-	1	1	-
Trucks 15cwt 9 KW Generator	1	-	1	1	-
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 US	296	104	104 X	100	96
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Breakdown	2	-	-	-	2
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Workshops	2	-	3	3	-
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 CS Office	4	-	-	-	4
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Battery Charger	1	-	-	-	1
Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Battery Storage	1	-	7 X	-	1
Lorries 3 ton 4x4 US	38	-	33	33	-

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Lorries 3 ton Disinfecter	1	-	1	1	-	
Lorries 3 ton Cipher Office	1	-	-	-	1	
Lorries 3 ton T.S.V.	1	-	-	-	1	
Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Crane	1	-	-	-	1	
Lorries 5 ton 6x4 CS Blinded	10	-	20 ^x	20	-	3 ton 4x2 in lieu
Ambulances	18	4	14	18	-	
Tractors 6x4 Breakdown	8	-	-	-	8	
Tractors A/Tank	9	-	9	9	-	
Tractors T.A.	148	-	48 ^x	48	-	48 TAA in lieu
Tractors L.A.A.	12	-	12 ^x	12	-	
Carriers Universal	99	141	-	141	-	
Carriers Mortar	42	-	-	-	-	Universal in lieu
Carriers Kloyl	82	30	82	82	-	
Trailers 1 ton CS	4	4	-	4	-	
Trailers 15cwt 2 Wheeled Water 150 Gallons	13	-	13	13	-	
Trailers 7 1/2 ton 6 Wheeled Light Recovery	3	-	3	3	1	
Trailers 10cwt 2 Wheeled CS	1	-	1 ^x	1	-	
Trailers 15cwt 2 Wheeled CS	1	-	1 ^x	1	-	
Trailers-Artillery	65	-	-	-	-	

Following released in excess of 3.5. and are therefore not being collected from Vehicle Park.

Trucks 18cwt Water 1
Lorries 3 ton Water 3

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Tractors A/Tank	9	-	9	-	-	-
Tractors F.A.	48	-	48	x	48	- 48 LAA is 1100
Tractors L.A.A.	12	-	12	x	12	-
Carriers Universal	99	141	-	-	141	-
Carriers Motor	42	-	-	-	-	- Universal in line
Carriers Lloyd	82	90	82	-	82	-
Trailers 1 ton GS	4	4	-	-	4	-
Trailers 150wt 2 Wheeled Water 150 Gallons	13	-	13	-	13	-
Trailers 7 1/2 ton 6 Wheeled Light Recovery	3	-	3	-	3	1
Trailers 100wt 2 Wheeled GS	1	-	1	x	1	-
Trailers 150wt 2 Wheeled GS	1	-	1	x	1	-
Trailers Artillery	45	-	-	-	-	-

Following released in excess of U.S. and are therefore not being collected from Vehicle Park.

Trucks 150wt Water 1
Lorries 3 ton Water 3

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Be quires amendment to last release.

x. Types marked thus.
Are either now collected
or in process of being
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VEHICLE RELEASE NOTE

Ref. VR/ 405

Date 3 Nov. 44

To : No. 3. District for 184 Tech Maint sec (Through 50 B.L.U.).

Release of the undermentioned vehicles is authorised.

Quantity	Description of Vehicles
1	Motor Cycle Solo Cl I From 8 Veh Park BARI
1	Car 2-str 4x2 Cl ID -do-
1	Lorry 3-ton 4x2 GS Cl I -do-
1	Lorry 6-ton GS Cl I From 9 Veh Park CAPUA.

Remarks :

RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS

- On receipt of this release authority, the unit or formation will await release instructions from Ord (Br).
- AFHQ Q (AE) release and Ord (Br) release will both be handed to the Vehicle Park at the time of collection. The Vehicle Company have been instructed that release will not be made unless both copies of release voucher are presented.

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