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SG/29/25 I.C.F.R. Accommodation For GROUPS
Opened Sept. 27, 1944. Closed Jan. 6, 1945
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SUBJECT: Italian Army Enclave - BRACCIANO.
Reinforcement Training Centre and Schools.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
5/3/23/43.
6 Jan 43.

To: A.C.M.A. (for 4 units).

copy to: A.C.M.A.
3 District.
NOTE: A.C.M.A. Comd.

1. As arranged at the Conference held by D.S.T. at A.C.M.A. on 8 Jan concerning training facilities for the Italian Army, I submit the following recommendations for the boundaries of the proposed Italian Army Enclave.

2. Ref Map. ITALY 1/200,000.

Sheet 15. Road June A 5032 (Lake MONTESORI) -
Route E (excl.) to Sheet 17 Road June F 5579 -
M. GUCCO F 4581 - M. ACQUA ROSA F 3488
M. GUCCO F 3997 - Sheet 15 M. CALVI A 5401 -
Lake MONTESORI.

3. The small British Training Area at present being used on the South shore of Lake BRACCIANO to continue as long as required.

4. Your early approval and notification to all concerned is requested, so that training and administrative arrangements may not be delayed.

Int:
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29/44

W. P. P. P.
Major General, 3425
M.M.I.A.

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Sheet 18. Road June A 8008 (Late MONTAGNAI) -
Route 2 (ext.) to Sheet 17 Road June F 8579 -
M. GUCCO F 4561 - M. CALVA 105TA F 3488 -
M. GUCCO F 2997 - Sheet 18 M. CALVI A 5401 -
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W. P. Peckham -
Major General
M.M.I.A. 3425

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Subject: Accommodation.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R C M E
AQ/12

28 Dec 1944

To: R.A.A.C.

Ref your Q174/25 dated 23 Dec and further to telephone conversation (Lt Col CAMRASS - Maj GREGSON) of 23 Dec 44.

1. On the list of Barracks forwarded by you with the a/m letter the following comments are made:-

- (a) & (b) When these are not operationally required by Allied troops, they will be required as training establishments for the Italian Combat Groups.
- (c) These are not Italian Army Barracks, the Ministry of War state they belong to some religious order, possibly the VATICAN.
- (d) These are not military barracks.
- (e) Property of Italian Air Force.
- (f) The subject of negotiations between 201 Sub Area and this HQ.

DSLG/1e

Copy to: Spec Sec WIA

D.S.L. Gregson
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
For Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Requisitioning - PALIDORO.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
AQ/10

20 Dec 1944

To: R.A.A.C.
Attention Major IOTHIAN.

Ref telephone conversation GREGSON - IOTHIAN 20 Dec 1944.

1. Application is made for the requisitioning of two adjoining barns situated on TENUTA Farm, BONIFICA TORRE in PIETRO, situated approximately 4 kms from PALIDORO Station (approx Map ref Sheet M4870).
2. Name of Manager - Sig. BIANCHI Angelo.
3. This is required for D.I.D. to be established for the maintenance of LAGHANO Group and reinforcement depot Gruppo di Combattimenti.
4. Short notice is regretted.

DSIG/1e

D. S. L. Gregson
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
for Major General,
M.E.F.A.

Copy to:
Special Section, RMIA
SMT RMIA

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FROM 15 Army Gp

161700A

TO AFHQ

INFO NMIA

SD 1890

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Ref NMIA SD 1938 of 15 Dec and FX 68518 CITE FBGCT of 14 Dec.

First (.) Accomodation for 2000 at FOSSOMBRONE NOT rpt NOT yet ready (.)

Do NOT rpt NOT plan to use ORVIETO for these personnel (.)

SECOND (.) Request personnel for pack tpt coys be selected assembled clothed and equipped in present area for calling fwd when accomodation ready (.) THIRD (.) Suggest S and T and V and R reps visit PICENO in present location to select suitable offrns NCOs and specialists.

IMPORTANT

NMIA DIST:

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S/Sec

Nov (2)

SD/50 (2)

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SECRET

24/25.42

SUBJECT: Accommodation.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CTF

DET/55/2/MT1

1. Dec 44

DATA. CTF.

Copy to:-
HQ. 52 BLU. CTF.

8/84
4/12

W.P.

The following is an extract from AFHQ letter 6170/Q Maint.
dated 23 Nov 44 addressed to HQ RAAC.

BRACCIANO - CIVITA - CASTELLANA AREA.

This area is allocated, subject to detailed reconnaissance,
for the accommodation of :-

- (a) Assault Bde RM.
- (b) 3rd Italian Combat Gp (LEGHANO Div)

466 HMF/mt

W. H. H. H.
5. 12. 44

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File

29/28

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MMIA

52 M.U

SS 425

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FROM ARCHIBALD (.) ANATINO AFHQ REP (.) NO DIFFICULTIES
ANTICIPATED WITH RAC (.) PIDSLEY RETURNING FROM AAI AND
REQUESTING EXACTLY AREA FOR R.T.D.

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FROM ARCHIBALD (.) AWAITING AFHQ REP (.) NO DIFFICULTIES
ANTICIPATED WITH RAAC (.) TIDSELY RETURNING FROM AAI AND
REQUESTING GRACIANO AREA FOR R.T.D.

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MMIA

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3 DISTRICT

SS 413

SECRET

For MMIA LO ref talk PIDELEY THRUPT on accommodations for Combat Groups each 9,000 strong (.) LEGNANO remaining PIEDMONTE DALIFE area if bridges and roads repaired and FULGORE remain TELESE area both till about end JAN (.) MANTOVA now taking over habitable parts of S. GIORGIO and ALTAVILLA Areas from FRIULI and CREMONA probably remaining till end FEB (.) PICENO now in CALABRIA required to move less 2,500 for Carabinieri to suitable area north of line BARI-NAPLES for training re-equipping and bringing up to strength (.) Combat Force Reinforcement Training Depot and schools for 6,000 now beginning at TEANO required move end December to area north of ROME such as BRASCIANO or TERNI (.) Keep me informed of district intentions.

RAC
Gua

District area
S.

Important

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W Parley colonel.

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WMIA

Feb 38
29/25
21 1045A

50 BLU

SS 389

S E C R E T

Following from VINCENT (.) Proposed location BLU Q 917353 and quite satisfactory (.) Group area now bounded on west by Easting 80 on north by Northing 41 and on East by route 69. Could NOT be more unsatisfactory (.) Entirely mountainous devoid of bridges and with NO repeat NO covered accommodation (.) Useless for TNG except in mountain warfare (.) Unsuccessful in attempts to change therefore because of time factor consider GP must core in provisional layout RADDA Inf Regts CASTELLINA 8034 IATD Caviglia 9640 Arty Reg Caiola 9234 (.) (?) consider imperative that engineers arrive before all others in order to erect Bailey to facilitate entrance to Caiola (.) Graham and 1 Fd Coy sufficient (.) TNG conference 29th Nov for SOUTHBY and Italian rep if thought necessary (.) 7 TNG Offrs from 8 Army will arrive 24 Nov (.) All communications to 37 Beach GP for me and all reps report there for info (.) Copy given to Col SOUTHBY in ROME.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONAL

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Blamie
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RAAC MESSAGE FORM

2/23

CIRCUIT NO. NR 2710 2742		TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS <u>Important</u>	DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 212000A
FROM (A) 37 Beach Group			
TO (FOR ACTION) MMIA		20/25	
TO (FOR INFORMATION)			
(REF. No.) 55 289 D 2.		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	

SECRET

Repeat to 50 BLU

From Vincent for onward transmission 50 BLU if still at S Giorgio or for Southby on arrival Rome.

SECRET'S FOLLOWING IN VINCENT'S
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Copy given to Col LOUTABX in Rome

EMERGENCY OPS 29-A

Copy from Southby 24/NOV

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ORIGINATING SECTION :

A. G. AUTHENTICATION:

ORIGINATOR'S AUTHENTICATION:

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VIA

51 BLU

50 BLU, 3 District

SS 369

Reference your 01/2 dated 15 Nov 44 (.) Intention is that
MANTOVA Group will take over best accommodation of FRIULI
and CREMONA Groups.

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ARMY FORM C 2196 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 15721

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Transmission Instructions

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FROM
(A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

OFFICE DATE STAMP

G 4 Dist 9th Rec 5 Army

20 Jul

For Action

to

DISTONE

(W) For Information (INFO)

Main AA1

Main MM1A

Originator's No.

4358

Secret O 2531 agreed following available
to you if required for concentration of 78th AC combat
group O South of 41 Northing grid between 80 Easting grid
and east MONTEVARCHI and Route 69

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Subject: Accomodation for Combat groups.

3DLO/26.
13 Nov 44.

Land Forces Sub Commission, AS,
(MMIA),
R O M E .

8/sec
15/11

Ref your S/G/29/25 dated 4 Nov 44 addressed to War Ministry a copy of which was received by 3 District.

Ref sub-para (c) 3 District are anxious to know the approximate location North of Rome selected for the concentration of Legnano and Folgore Groups in order that the sub-area concerned (if the location is within 3 District) may be consulted.

Similarly, in sub-para (e) 3 District wish to be informed of the approximate location in order that recon and other arrangements may be carried out. The same applies to the Telesse area where the bulk of the Piceno Group is to concentrate early in 1945.

[Handwritten signature]

Major,
MMIALO,
3 District.

B.F. when AQMG 3 Dist comes on 17/Nov.

Spoke AQ today. N.A. W.P. 5413

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LROF V LRLC NR 14

FROM 52 EKN BLU 051315A

TO MMIA ROME

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RG/3.(.) CONFIDENTIAL (.)

DWT AND G S O IN AGREE MOVE LEGNAO ESSENTIAL (.)

VISITING 3 DISTRICT TO ARRANGE NEW AREA TOMORROW (.)

PROPOSE MOVE MEN FOR DISCHARGE OR TRANSFER WITH

RFT TRG REGT ~~XXXX~~ T E A N O AREA

BT 051315A

note
WP 5412

SENT NR 14 WRL 061420 B K

RECD NR 14 061420A JN B

TOP SECRET

SUBJECT: Accommodation

LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.L.A.)

Ref No. S/C/29/25

3 Nov 44

TO : WAR MINISTRY

Copy to:

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AFIC

AAI

3 DISTRICT

1 DISTRICT

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In reply to your 11420/Op of 28 Oct, the present intentions regarding location and moves of the Combat Groups and the Rft Depot, are as follows.

(a) FRIULI GROUP

To move to an advanced training area near AREZZO as soon as possible. Exact date will follow.

(b) CREMONA GROUP

To follow FRIULI about a week later.

(c) LEGHANO AND FOLGORE GROUPS

To remain in the Piedimonte d'Alife area until completion of individual training and receipt of major portion of Rft equipment, when it is to be moved to an area north of ROME. Probably

TO : WAR MINISTRYCopy to: SECRETATTN:ALL3 LISTENING1 DISTRICT50 ELU51 ELU52 ELU53 ELU54 ELU55 ELU56 ELU57 ELU58 ELU59 ELU

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(d) MANTOVA GROUP

To move into the area vacated by FRIULI (and CREMONA) probably about mid November.

(e) REGGIO GROUP

Reg. and nucleus to move at once to an area south of FOGGIA and engage in specialist training and organization, while the bulk of the personnel are on duty with the CC RR and to concentrate - probably in the TIRRENE area in the new year.

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(f) REINFORCEMENT DEPOTS

To move to TEANQ: as soon as a site has been selected, probably about 8 Nov. and to receive there IFF equipment and reserve stocks - to move later, when bulk of Combat Groups are in, or nearing action, to a location about 100 miles behind the lines.

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Major General
M. M. I. A.

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MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA
To (For action) : AFHQ
To (For info) : Ministry of War
3 District
50 BLU
51 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU
54 BLU
64 Garrison

Date - Time

3 1400A

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SS 260

CONFIDENTIAL

Combat Groups Reinforcement Regiment will move next week from FIEDIMONTE D'ALIFE to TEANO N 0594 RAILHEAD SPARANISE (.) Major GELARDI is acting as MMIA LO to Regiment and will make necessary arrangements with all concerned (.) H.Qs of Regiment and Battalions will be in buildings with troops under canvas (.) To function properly Regiment must have equipment transport accommodation stores and RE material for kitchen and latrine structures (.) Please authorise release to Reinforcement Regiment through Major GELARDI C/O 64 Garrison who will arrange for collection (.) Our SS 258 of 2 Nov to AFHQ only also refers

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To (For action) : AFHQ
To (For info) : Ministry of War
3 District
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LROF V LRLC NR 38 IMPORTANT QVR3

FROM 64 GARRISON 301525A

TO Q DISTHREE

MMIA LO V C/O 52 BLU MMIA ROME

QQY GR33

Q500/30. CONFIDENTIAL. MMIA LO WITH GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTO
HAS REQUESTED SITE FOR CAMP FOR REINFORCEMENT TRG DEPOT STRENGTH
3000 IN AREA VAIRANO. DO YOU AGREE THIS. CAN FIND SITE. PROBABLE DURATION
5 MONTHS

BT

SENT NR 38 0112 KWJP BB K

NR 38 RECD 311// 310112A PJB BB

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FROM: MMIA

TO : AFHQ

Rptd: AAI
DISTHREE
WAR MINISTRY
MMIA LO 50 BLU

SD 1621

CONFIDENTIAL

Ref MMIA letter S/SD/30 of 12 OCT (.) PAREN ROME AREA _____
PAREN (.) Dates of movement of MANTOVA and PICENO from CALABRIA
SAPULIA are dependent on evacuation of S. GIORGIO and ALTAVILLA
concentration areas by respectively FRIULI combat gp on approx
1 NOV 44 and CREMONA combat gp on approx 11 NOV 44 (.) The
column "Date required to move" in Appx "A" to above letter should
therefore be disregarded (.) Firm dates will be signalled as soon
as known

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MESSAGE FORM

From : IMIA
To(For Action) : 51 IMIA
To(For Info) : 3 District : 50 IMIA : 52 IMIA
Ref No : 55 196

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Ref 55 195 dated 18 OCT to you (.) Rural COMS Area _____ Paren
Maj GRINCH H. IMIA arriving Friday 20th to coordinate rearrangement areas
of reinforcement depot on CHENKA and LEXUHO (.) His headquarters
will be with FULMAN at S. GIONTO

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Officer _____

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CHESON to MIA for EIDLEY.

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SECRET

Progress report.

First Suggested area North and North West ~~AMUWUWU~~ impossible as largely occupied by allied troops.

Second Have reconnoitred ARIANO and estimate cover available for approx. 2000 troops, surrounding country unsuitable for anything but individual training therefore this area possible location reinforcements depot, commandant depot and SUE representative now doing detailed reconnaissance ARIANO.

Third Understand from CHIEDI ~~LEWANO~~ NOT moving so ARIOLA ~~SCIOZACA~~ area probably available CHROMA but from quick reconnaissance yesterday doubtful if training ground in this area justifies move by division. 54 BLU reconnoitring this area this morning. If ARIOLA ~~area~~ area unsuitable for CHROMA I hope establish reinforcements depot ARIOLA ~~rather~~ rather than ARIANO.

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Progress report.

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agree

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MESSAGE FORM

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M.M.I.A.

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TO

M.M.I.A.

FROM

GREGSON

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

FOR

PIDSLEY

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Regret have been unable
find satisfactory alternative areas for either
CREMONA or COMPLIMENTI

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Signature P.D.C.A.

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ARMY FORM C2128

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TO: WIA PIDSLEY

FROM: GREGSON

Originator's Number
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Date
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In Reply to Number

SECRET ① First ① Trig ground available in AIROLA SALOPACA area NOT sufficiently better than present CREMONA area to justify move of Div in view of dislocation of trig involved by move ① WEARS-CARTER agrees ① Above area unsuitable for complement ① SECOND ① Detailed recon of ARIANO proves it unsuitable for complement ① So far unable discover alternative areas for either CREMONA or complement ① Final recon today but NOT hopeful of results.

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PROF WARE MR - QUA-1

~~LAEE V LRNE QVBI T LROT NR12 NR214~~

FROM DISTHREE 191740

TO MMIA

INFO C BLU

QQX GR35

Q2742 . RESTRICTED . REF ~~3~~ YOUR SS163 OF 08 OCT . REPS C BLU

WERE TO RCCE VENAFRO BUT NO REPORT RECIEVED .

RELUCTANT RELEASE FIUGGI ON EVEN

SEMI PERMANENT FOOTING WHICH PROPOSAL INVOLVES

. FIUGGI ACCN AT PRESENT COMMITTED

REPTN ~~1 214 191740 35 Q2742 SS163 08 VENAFRO~~

FIUGGI

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MMIA	<i>Sec</i>
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SECRET

SUBJECT : TRM

DET, AFHQ

Copy to : HQ, MIA

S/Sec 50 Brit Liaison Unit

29 25

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16 Oct 44

Attached memo by G II "A" Trg Increment(Inf) is forwarded for information and any possible action.

The opinions and recommendation contained therein are 100% endorsed by me. The movement even of essential maint tpt to Regt areas will become almost impossible during the winter, and the value of trg will be almost NIL unless decent living accn can be provided for the tps whilst under instruction.

CEP
ARCS/SVB

✓ noted. We know

WP

A. P. ...
5402

1st col
CS

SUBJECT : Training

"A" TRAINING INCREMENT

14 Oct 44

C.M.F.

- I. During the last three weeks wet weather has prevented both Infantry Regiments of this Division from making full use of many valuable training periods. In one instance heavy rain fell on five days out of eight. The limited amount of space available for indoor training has made work under cover cramped, uncomfortable and of only moderate instructional value.
2. So far as this Division is concerned the damage is done. But in view of the fact that another Division is soon to assemble in this area - where, as winter goes on, weather is likely to hamper training even more gravely - I should be most grateful if you would consider the points in this letter and give them whatever support you may think they deserve.
3. It is appreciated that 50 B.L.U. has no direct responsibility in this matter.
4. (a) By record of statistics the winter rainfall in the BENEVENTO area is one of the highest in ITALY. The area is, therefore, unsuitable for training during winter months and the advantage of an alternative training area should be considered without delay.
- (b) If an alternative area is considered it should be one in which accommodation is available to billet troops and thereby avoid the establishment of camps under canvas. From a Training standpoint billets would have the following advantages -
 - i. There would be dry lodging to which troops could return after a wet day's training. It would be possible, under these conditions, to pay less attention to bad weather and to proceed, with fewer alterations, along the normal training programme.
 - ii. Billets would give protection against the rain not only to the troops themselves but also to the meagre amount of spare clothing on which they have to depend for a dry change.
 - iii. Billets would provide adequate dry space for indoor instructions during wet weather and hours of darkness.
 - iv. In billets the warmth and well-being of the troops would be improved. In consequence their spirits would be raised and they would address themselves with more cheerfulness to their task.

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- (b) If an alternative area is considered it should be one in which accommodation is available to billet troops and thereby avoid the establishment of camps under canvas. From a Training standpoint billets would have the following advantages -
- i. There would be dry lodging to which troops could return after a wet day's training. It would be possible, under these conditions, to pay less attention to bad weather and to proceed, with fewer alterations, along the normal training programme.
 - ii. Billets would give protection against the rain not only to the troops themselves but also to the meagre amount of spare clothing on which they have to depend for a dry change.
 - iii. Billets would provide adequate dry space for indoor instructions during wet weather and hours of darkness.
 - iv. In billets the warmth and well-being of the troops would be improved. In consequence their spirits would be raised and they would address themselves with more cheerfulness to their task.

G.S.O. I

50 B.L.U.

A. H. 54
Major,

G.II Training

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MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA
To(For Action) : 51 BLU
To(For Info) : 3 District : 50 BLU : SMRE : 52 BLU
Ref No : SS 196

Security
Classification RESTRICTED

Ref SS 195 dated 18 NOT to you (.) Paren ROME Area Paren
Maj GREGSON HQ MMIA arriving Friday 20th to coordinate rearrangement areas
of reinforcement depot cma CREMONA and LEGHANO (.) His headquarters
will be with FIELEMAN at S. GIORGIO

precedence IMMEDIATE

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Officer

W. H. G. [Signature]

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MESSAGE FORM

From : MMIA

To (For Action) : 3 District

To (For Info) : AFHQ, LMT ADNAP, 56 Area, 64 Garrison,
52 BLU, SMRE.

Date - Time

18/205 A

SS 195

SECRET

Subject locations Italian Combat Force (.) Paren ROME Area _____ Paren (.)
First (.) LECNANO Group with 52 BLU have requested move to area SOLOPACA (N 48)
S AGATA (N 47) AIROLA (N 47) for training and admin reasons (.) Move recommended
under own arrangements provided completed by 25 Oct (.) Request concurrence and
limits of area (.) Second Combat Force Reinforcement at ALIFE is required to move
as near as possible BENEVENTO (.) Request you allot site with nucleus of buildings
preferably PIETRELEINA (N 78) S ANGELO (N 6675) or MONTESARCHIO (N 57) (.) We will
recede if you give us the limits (.) Move required earliest if possible by 25 Oct

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L.B. Hunkley

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Agreed A/R 18/10/50

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NOTE: MM1A AQ1212 027506 refers.

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F22. CONFIDENTIAL O Ref your AQ1998 O. Location is rd junc N 754748 to N 767749 and N 785756 to N 792731 O Q C BENEVENTO has rec'd the area O appropriate adv party contact Q C BENEVENTO

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FROM EMIA
TO 1 District
INFO AFHQ
C BLU

SS 163

Security Classification CONFIDENTIAL

Following from C BLU (.) PAREN HOME AREA PAREN (.) Quote (.)
Piedmonte Area unsuitable for training due flooding and heavy rainfall (.)
Consider training will be seriously held up (.) Suggest move LEGIANO to Area
FIUGGI soon as smallpox ban lifted (.) See comment (.) Unquote (.) This is
primarily your concern but EMIA comments are (.) First (.) For organization and
training and equipment LEGIANO and FIUGGI groups should be together (.)
Second (.) Good facilities for rapid reequipping and maintenance paramount
importance (.) Three (.) Training 80 per cent individual and present area not
too bad (.) Four (.) Administrative considerations preclude move prior to
Reequipping (.) Consider therefore no major move necessary and local adjustments
possible (.)

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LEOF V LRLC NR45 IMPORTANT

FROM C BLU 270900

TO MMIA ROME

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MMIA	8/50
FILE REF	1
Date Recd	9/10/

29/85

RE 1. CONFIDENTIAL.

PIEDIMONTE AREA UNSUITABLE FOR TRAINING DUE FLOODING AND HEAVY RAINFALL.
CONSIDER TRAINING WILL BE SERIOUSLY HELD UP. SUGGEST MOVE LEGNANO TO
AREA FIUGGI SOON AS SMALLPOX CAN LIFTED. PRE COMMENT.

THI 271345A

SENT NR45 2345 MB BBEK

T/3 RD 57/2345A CP BBE

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FROM ENIA

TO AAI (for GSD)

SD 1553

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JORDAN BUTTERWORTH spoke 7 Oct (.) PARISH HOME AREA _____ PARISH (.)
As at present planned BASTOVA will concentrate S. GIBSON area approx
1 Nov on move of FRUHL northwards (.) PIGENS will concentrate ALTAVILLA
area N 66 a pprox 11 Nov on move of CHENCHA Northward (.) The four bus
from BASTOVA and PIGENS ~~and two days from BASTOVA~~ all on loan for gd duties
are required within next ten days preliminary concentration area near
ALIFE. R.20 now being selected by DISTANCE (.) Please confirm you will
issue the necessary order implementing the above

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C. J. Cox Capt.

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

From: MMIA

051800 A

To: DISTHREE

AQ 1974

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REF AQ/12/2 OF 27 SEPT (.) PAREN ROME AREA
PAREN (.) EXPEDITE ALLOTMENT OF AREA NEAR
S.GIORGIO (.) URGENTLY REQUIRED

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FROM MEMA

TO DISTHREE

SS141

RESTRICTED

For MEMA LO LECRANO (.) PAREN ROSE AREA _____ PAREN (.) Your
Q2440 dated 3 Oct refers (.) Consider ALIFE or anywhere else
within or near areas allotted to Italian Army Units is quite out
of the question for accommodation of Italian P.O.W. Cooperators (.)
Request you to select quite independent area for reasons already
given

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Copy to HQ Branch.

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FROM: AREA

TO: AREA

WPTD CMTD
PRS for AREA

SS 143

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Ref Hl dated 3 Oct signed Hoggie (.) PAREN HOME AREA _____ PAREN (.)
Ref today's telephone conversation Maj Gregson and Col FERRARI SMPS (.)
Please send without fail two English speaking Medical officers to
report to C.M.T.C. BINGVINTS October Seventh (.) If English speaking
Medical officers not available, send two other English speaking
officers to act as interpreters

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TO: MMIA ✓ *in air ground letter*
From:- MMIA LO, FOLGORE. *4/10 0845 hrs*

Subject - TRG AND BILLETING AREA FOLGORE

1. Recces of new area are now in progress.
2. Move will take place on about following schedule -
 - 1 Oct 44 - S MARCO Regt
 - 2/3 Oct 44 - HQ and Gp tps.
 - 4 Oct 44 - NEMBOR Regt
3. Move has deferred until reforming of units within regts is complete.
4. Trace showing new locations will be sent you as soon as move is made.

I. H. Philip
Capt.

Copy to :-

64 GRN

Word. - No date to above letter but show to
Major Eibels before he goes there

WP
5 Oct.

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For Action

MMIA

5/6/59/25.

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Q 54

Informed by ITALIAN staff at SMRE proposed to establish forthwith in S. GIORGIO 10th RAGGRUPAMENTO AUTIERI with intention of drawing petrol in bulk in advance from CIP BENEVENTO and shipping to FRIULI and CREMONA groups.
Consider this undesirable for the following reasons:

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<u>ONE - No suitable site available in S. GIORGIO</u>													
<u>TWO - S. GIORGIO is very badly placed for supplying</u>													
<u>CREMONA group. If established at all basing should</u>													
<u>be in BENEVENTO area in order to save mileage and</u>													
<u>transport.</u>													
<u>THREE - Proposal redundant since as far as FRIULI and</u>													
<u>CREMONA groups are concerned present</u>													
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System each drawing petrol direct from CIP works admirably. Proposal open to abuse and waste in so far as petrol would be drawn in advance on estimated requirements for coming month. Monthly consumption is usually much less than estimated. Surplus which for September is over.

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5000 gallons would then at the end of month
be left in hands of RAGROPAMIENTO and
would be unaccounted under present ITALIAN
administrative methods.

Suggest immediate inquiries be made to SMRE
regarding necessity, advisability and economy of proposal.

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Subject: Concentration Areas.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AC/12/2

To: H.Q., 3 District

Copy: 64 Garrison.

27 Sep 44

1. Four battalions of the MANTOVA and PIERNO DIVS, each approx 750 strong are at present employed as Guard battalions.

2. (a) It is the intention that they should be relieved from their present role and be replaced by other bns to arrive from SARINIA.

This relief will take place sometime prior to 15th Oct.

(b) When the FRILLI and GEMONA DIVS leave their present concentration areas at the end of October, PIERNO and MANTOVA DIVS will move into the areas vacated, for reorganization and training. They will be joined by the four bns mentioned in para 1.

(c) In addition to the above they will be joined by four Artillery Coys each 250 strong and by 750 specialists of various sorts.

3. In order that the Reorganization of the PIERNO and MANTOVA DIVS can take place as rapidly as possible on their arrival, and to avoid moving troops from Army Areas to CALABRIA and back, I should be grateful if an area, as close as possible to the present concentration areas of the FRILLI and GEMONA DIVS could be allotted to the troops mentioned in paras 1 and 2(c) above, approx total 4750.

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wp/hh

F. J. Noonan
For Major General.
M. H. I. A.

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For Major General.
M. M. I. A.

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64 Garrison for GILBERT

64 Garrison

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Subject is accommodation for Artillery Training School (.) Haven Hill Area
Have you or 64 Garrison been able to find suitable accommodation for Artillery
Training School at CHICAGO SAUTTER or that area (.) Reply urgently

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Have you or Col. FISHBURN recent conversation with yourself (.)
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