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COPY OF TRANSLATION.

FROM Ministry of War
TO :Comm/to Directorate HARI
:MIA for info

REF No 540/1/RIS

DATE 16 Feb 45.

SUBJECT:- Handing over of Special Barrack Depot, Bari.

Further to letter 11/1/RIS dated 6th.

Information has been received that as from 1st Feb the management of the Special Barrack Depot of Bari has been regularly taken over by Subsistence Captain, Regular Army, DI MRO ANTONIO.

Once the dwelling for duty purposes of Lt.Col. CALDERAZZI, although situated in the Depot Area, has not direct communication with the huts where the stores are kept, this Ministry, bearing in mind the report made by you in agreement with MIA, Lt BARI, has no objection that the officer in question continues to live in the place up to and not exceeding the 10th March 45.

SGd
(PALLIGRA)

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SUBJECT:- Lt.Col. CALDERAZZI

LO
Land Forces Sub Comm. AD.(MIA).
BARI.

Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.
(M.I.A.).
ST/100

20 Feb 45

Reference minute 1.

1. Please confirm that above arrangement is agreeable to you.

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SUBJECT:- Lt.Col. CALDERHAM

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MIA).
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Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.
(H.M.I.A.).
ST/100

20 Feb 45

Reference minute 1.

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Lt.F. CURTIS.
Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MIA).

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Imo/15-1-45
 Roma, 10 febbraio 1945.
 LA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO
 DEL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE
 B A R I

 Ministero della Guerra
 DIREZIONE GENERALE
 DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
 ISPETTORATO
 A. S. N. 540/I/Ris. Spad.
 Allegato
 Risposta al Foglio N. 2
 del
 OGGETTO Passaggio di consegne Deposito Speciale Casermaggio di Bari.

e, per conoscenza:
 ALL'ALLIEDED FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
 (seguito foglio n. 11/1/Ris. - data 6 c.m.)

R O M A

Si prende atto che dal 1° febbraio c.a. la nuova gestione del Deposito Speciale Casermaggio di Bari è stata regolarmente assunta dal Capitano Sussistenza S.P. DI MEO Antonio.

Poichè l'abitazione di servizio del Tenente Col. CALDERAZZI, pur essendo situata nel perimetro del Deposito, non ha alcuna comunicazione diretta con i capannoni in cui sono custoditi i materiali, questo Ministero, tenuto conto di quanto rappresentato da codesta Direzione d'Intesa con la M.M.I.A. - L.O. di Bari, consente che l'ufficiale continui ad usufruire di detta abitazione non oltre il 10 marzo p.v.

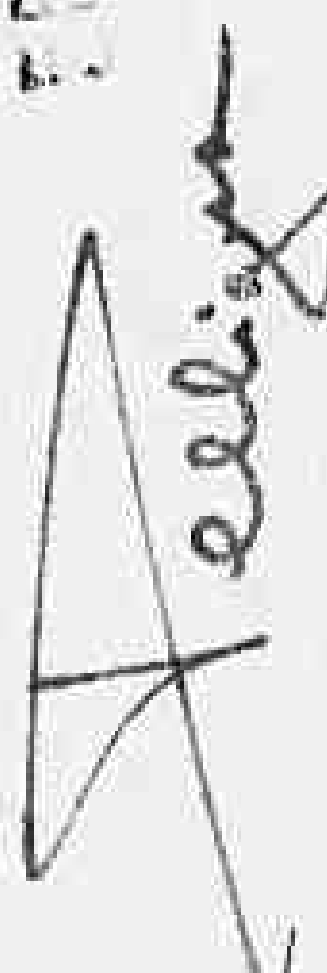
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TRANSLATION

FROM : Ministry of War

REF N° 11/I/RIS

TO : MMIA

DATE 6 FEB 45

SUBJECT:- Employment of Italian Officers.

Reference a/m letter AQ/11 we inform you:-

1) As already been ordered with letter 6/RP dated 23 Jan, the removal from service and discharge of Lt.Col CALDERAZZI Filippo once consignee of the Special Barrack Material Depot of Bari.

2) In replacement of Lt.Col. CALDERAZZI, Capt.Suss. S.P. DI MEO Antonio has been assigned with immediate urgency to assume command of the establishment entrusted to him.

Sgd
(CELLIGRA)

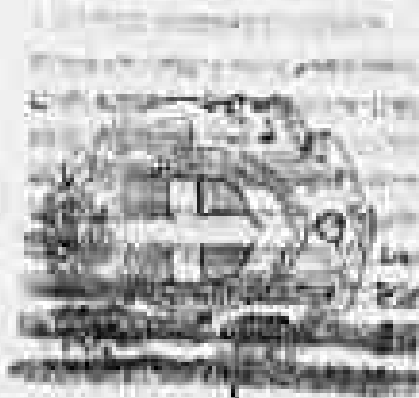
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S. A. T. MMIA
Recd 10 Feb
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Letter of Appreciation*Ministero della Guerra*DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

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ROMA

P.M. 3800, 6 febbraio 1945

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)*Allegato**Resposta al Toglio 21.2.45/11*

OGGETTO : Ufficiali italiani - Impiego.-

In relazione al foglio sopradistinto si comunica:

- 1° - Come già fatto presente con dispaccio n. 6/R.P. - in data 23 c.m., è stato disposto l'allontanamento dal servizio ed il collocamento in congedo del Ten. Col. CALDERAZZI Filippo, già consegnatario del Deposito Speciale Casermaggio di Bari.
- 2° - In sostituzione del Ten.Col. CALDERAZZI è stato già assegnato il Cap. Suss. S.P. DI MEO Antonio, il quale, con procedura d'urgenza, sta assumendo le consegne dello Stabilimento a lui affidato.

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FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 051800A
TO MMIA
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"S & T, MMIA.

Recd 6 Feb

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FROM MMIA LG 54 AREA 031130A

TO MMIA

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02/103. RESTRICTED . FURTHER TO NY 02/27 OF 31 JAN.

CALDERAZZI BECOMES CIVILIAN TODAY . CAPT DE MEO ASSUMES COND

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"S & T. MMIA.

Recd 5 Feb.

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Col Lett informed 6 Feb

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Subject:- Misappropriation of Soap.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
LO/6/AQ
31 Jan 45.

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

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Ref your ST/591 dated 30 Jan 45.

Forwarded for information please find
copy of this office LO/6/AQ dated 31 Jan 45.

J.G. Bird

J.G. Bird Major.
Senior MMIA LO.
C/o Hq 54 Area.

JGB/jmr

"S & T. MMIA.

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File ST/ 100

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C O P Y

Subject:- Misappropriation of Soap.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
LO/6/AQ
31 Jan 45.

General De NISIO,
Commander,
Territorial HQ, BARI

1. On 17 Nov 44, a report was made by F/to ARPINO FERRANTI to Direzione di Commissariato, on the misappropriation of soap from CASERMAGGIO di CAGNO ABBRESCIA by Sold. COLETTA, servant of Ten.Col. CALDERAZZI.

2. It further transpired that Ten.Col. CALDERAZZI was himself the responsible person, and that he threatened both the watchman and Lt. LOPARDI, Officer in charge of the watchman with reprisals and dismissals.

3. The evidence to support this statement appears incontrovertable, and consequently the dismissal from his position and final demobilisation from the Army was expected.

4. HQ, MMIA are most interested in the case, and are considerably surprised to find that Ten.Col. CALDERAZZI is still not only in the Army, but continues in command of the CASERMAGGIO.

5. I am therefore to request you to ensure my Headquarters, through me, that full action is being taken against Ten.Col. CALDERAZZI, that the watchman and Lt. LOPARDI have not been victimised, and that all watchmen are free to submit reports without fear of victimisation.

6. I should be grateful for an early reply, as the question is of maximum importance.

J.G.B.
J.G.B. 573 or.
Senior MMIA LO.
C/o Hq 54 Area.

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FOR MMIA LO (.) YOUR AQ/97 31 JAN REFERS (.) UNDERSTAND CAPT DE MEO RPT DE MEO
POSTED TO RELIEVE COL CALDERAZZI (.) CONFIRM IF HE IS IN PROCESS OF TAKING
OVER (.)

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ST. LOUIS.

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A. A. Cant LT. COL.

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FROM MMIALO 54 AREA 311230A
TO MMHIA
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AQ/97 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR ST 591 OF 30 JAN (.)

COL CALDERAZZI STILL CC CASSERNAGGIO (.)

COLONEL FROM WAR MINISTRY CAME HERE O N E MONTH AGO TO INVESTIGATE
CHARGES AND IS IN FULL POSSESSION OF FACTS (.) AM CONTINUING ENQUIRIES
LOCALLY (.) SUGGEST MMIA INVESTIGATE ALSO WITH WAR MINISTRY

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SENT NR 26 312055-A NCP BE K O T. MMIA.

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PLEASE REPORT WHETHER LT. COL. CALDERAZZI HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE ARMY AND
HAS ACTUALLY RETURNED TO CIVIL LIFE (.) MICHIGAN LETTER ME/101/1 OF 30 NOV
14, REFERS (.) OPTION ALSO THAT THE WATCHMEN CONCERNED HAVE NOT BEEN
VICTIMIZED AND THAT ALL BUT ALL WATCHMEN ARE FREE TO SUBMIT SUCH REPORTS
WITHOUT FEAR OF VICTIMIZATION

*Reply @ 27
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(ST/100)

ROUTINE

ST MMIA

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N L Pennington Lt. Col.

TRANSLATION.

SERIAL NO

Translated by:

FROM : Ministry of War

"S & T. MIAA.

TO : MIAA

(MIAA/Action)

Date

201637/11

Ref No

220-1-8

Date

25 Jan 45

In reply to :

SUBJECT :- Bari Commissariat.

Reference letter SF/100 of 8 Nov 44.

In view of the information contained in the referred letter an inspection was carried out of the Directorate, and Commissariat establishments of Bari Area Command.

The submitted reports show that:-

(a) No administrative irregularities of any kind were met with in the functioning of the Commissariat Directorate, and regarding the relations between the personnel of this Directorate and the officers of the local detachment of MIAA, this appears to have been a matter, purely and simply, of misunderstanding, which has, however, now been clarified and explained to the full satisfaction of the Allied Officers there.

This was confirmed to the Director-General of the services when he recently had occasion to meet the Allies during his visit to Bari.

Some exception was taken to Major Commissioner DeToma, not because it was possible to make any specific imputations against the officer, but only because he is a local resident and has various interests in Bari. *Smother!*

Orders for the transfer to another post have already been issued in respect of this officer.

Ref No : 220-1-8

"S & T. AREA."

Date : 25 Jan 45

In reply to :

TO : AREA

(YCCY/Action)

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(b) No administrative irregularities of any kind were found in the functioning of the establishments. There was, however, evidence of irregularities of a purely formal nature, as the new system of accountancy now in practice further to the wishes of the Allied, is not yet fully applied owing to mis-interpretations or because of the changing requirements arising from the carrying out of the service.

Instructions in detail have, however already been issued to clarify any doubt and eliminate any uncertainty, in order to ensure the normal functioning, in respect of accountancy and administration, within the establishments.

sd/ Ssulary.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Giuseppe Cabiniello

Ord. N° 201637/II
220-4-8

25 gennaio 1945

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OGGETTO: Commissariato di Bari. -

Al LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

referimento lettera ST/100 dell'8 novembre s.a.

In relazione alle notizie fornite con la lettera a riferimento è stata fatta effettuare un'ispezione alla Direzione ed agli stabilimenti di commissariato del Comando Territoriale di Bari.

Dalla relazione pervenuta in merito, si deduce:

- a) in ordine al funzionamento della Direzione di Commissariato, non si sono riscontrate irregolarità amministrative di sorta e, nei riguardi dei rapporti del personale della Direzione stessa con gli ufficiali del locale distaccamento M.M.I.A., si è trattato, in sostanza, di puri e semplici malintesi, peraltro ormai chiariti ed appianati con piena soddisfazione degli ufficiali alleati in posto.

Cosa che è stata confermata al Direttore Generale del servizio in occasione dei contatti che da questi sono stati di recente

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Qualche riserva è stata fatta per il Magg. ~~Commissario~~ ⁵⁵⁰⁸ De Toma non perchè vi fossero addebiti specifici imputabili all'ufficiale, ma soltanto perchè il De Toma è del posto ed ha vari interessi a Bari.

Per tale ufficiale è stato già disposto il trasferimento in altra sede.

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b) in ordine al funzionamento degli stabilimenti, nessuna irregolarità amministrativa è stata rilevata. Sono state invece messe in evidenza alcune manchevolezze di carattere puramente formale, nel senso che non sono state ancora applicate totalmente, per dubbio interpretazioni o per esigenze contrastanti derivanti dall'espletamento del servizio, le nuove norme vigenti per la tenuta delle contabilità secondo il sistema voluto dagli Alleati.

In proposito, però, sono state già date disposizioni perchè venga chiarito ogni dubbio ed eliminata ogni incertezza mediante istruzioni di dettaglio, in modo da avviare gli stabilimenti verso la normalità anche nei riguardi contabili ed amministrativi.

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI CABINETTO

P. S. M. L. A. F.

TRANSLATION OF REVERSE

From : Ministry of War

To : MMIA

Subject: Report.

Ref: G.R.P.

Date: 23 Jan 45

On the grounds of MMIA letter ST/100 dated 6 Dec 44 I ordered a thorough investigation to be carried out on the charges, formulated in said letter against Lt.Col. CALDERAZZI.

The enquiry, which included a check up of stores, has evidenced that no particular deficit can be shown against the officer and therefore, as affirmed by him, it is probable that the soap cut to one side was the actual result of his own economising and was intended for the thorough cleaning necessary for, the putting in order of billet ready for the return of his family and because of the illness of one of the children of the officer.

As, however, Lt.Col. CALDERAZZI has, under the circumstances, behaved improperly and shown excessive resentment against measures which he should have known how to appreciate, I have ordered the removal from the service, and discharge of this officer of the Reserve.

ad/POLMGRA.

"S & T. MMIA.

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I cannot believe this officer did not wash. For security
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ad/PALLICER.

"S & T, MMUA.

Recd 26 Jan

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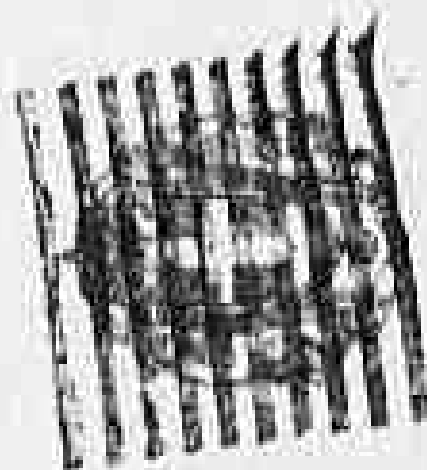
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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

A. M. P. 6. R. P. di Spad

Allegati

OGGETTO Rapporto

Riservaio Personale

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Sulla base delle comunicazioni di codesta M.M.I.A., di cui al foglio ST/100 in data 6 dicembre 1944, ho, a suo tempo, disposto che venissero effettuati rigorosi accertamenti sugli addebiti fatti, con il foglio medesimo, a carico del tenente colonnello CALDERAZZI.

ST.-

L'inchiesta, completata da apposita verifica di magazzino, ha messo in evidenza che nessun addebito specifico può essere mosso all'ufficiale e che quindi, come da lui affermato, è verosimile che il bayone sequestrato sia proveniente da risparmi propri e destinato per un bucatto straordinario necessario per il riaspetto dell'alloggio in dipendenza del rientro della famiglia e della malattia di uno dei figli dell'ufficiale.-

Siccome però il tenente colonnello CALDERAZZI ha tenuto nella circostanza un contegno inopportuno ed ha mostrato un risentimento eccessivo verso misure di garanzia che lui stesso avrebbe invece

Roma, 23 gennaio 1945

ALLA LAND FORGES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

Proposta al Segretario

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Sulla base delle comunicazioni di codesta M.M.I.A., di cui al foglio ST/100 in data 2 dicembre 1944, ho, a suo tempo, disposto che venissero effettuati rigorosi accertamenti sugli addebiti fatti, con il foglio medesimo, a carico del tenente colonnello CALDERAZZI.

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Translation

PEL MINISTRO

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23 Jan. 45.

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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No.

Translated by: Lt. J. J. M. Horlick.

Date: 18 Jan. 45.

FROM: W/M Comm/to.

Ref No: 178/1/Ris

Inspectorate.

Date: 18 Jan. 45.

TO: M.D. for Lt. Col. PERCEVAL.

In reply to:

(111d) Section.

S & T, MMIA.

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FILE 57

SUBJECT: Strength for the Supply Service.

As was agreed verbally we return the attached table of the Comm/to bodies for the service of supply completed with the information relative to the exact strength existing with the bodies themselves as at 1 Jan. 45.

We further attach two other copies of the same table compiled by this Ministry.

In the table in question the undermentioned bodies do not figure, as they have a provisional character and for whom instructions have already been issued for their immediate suppression:-

Presidial Ration Depot, MONOFOLI	2 Offrs.	4 NCOs and men.
Provisional Ration Depot, MONTI	3 "	24 " " "
Forage Issue Depot, SAEDINIA	1 "	11 " " "

Furthermore we inform you that 65 Presidial Ration Depot (Distribution Depot-SICILY) instead of being at MESSINA is at CATANIA.

(Signed) PELLIGRA, for the Minister.

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E - COMMISSARIATO (SUSISTENZA)

	WAR ESTABLISHMENT				Strength		Attached	
	Offrs		O.R's		Offrs	O.R's	Offrs	
(a) <u>Regional HQ's (11)</u>								
Rome	23		30		25	-12	11	-34
Reserve attached	14	37	15	45				
Naples	20		30		23		16	-14
Reserve attached	3	23	10	40				3
Bari	25		30		30		19	-21
Reserve attached	5	30	10	40				35
Palermo	18		30		19	-1	21	-14
Reserve attached	2	20	10	40				
Cagliari	19		30		19		40	
Reserve attached	-	19	10	40				5
Catanzaro	18		30		18		13	-27
Reserve attached	-	18	10	40				6
Turin	27		34					
Reserve attached	-	27	14	48				
Milan	24		34					
Reserve attached	-	24	14	48				
Bolzano	21		34					
Reserve attached	-	21	14	48				
Udine	20		34					
Reserve attached	-	20	14	48				
Bologna	23		34					
Reserve attached	-	23	14	48				
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(b) Establishments(1) Supplies

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<u>Strength</u>		<u>Attached</u>		<u>Remarks</u>
<u>Offrs</u>	<u>C.R's</u>	<u>Offrs</u>	<u>C.R's</u>	
25	-12	11	-34	
23		16	-24	3
30		19	-21	35
19		21	-17	Sub Regional (HQ-Taranto)
19		40		5
18		13	-27	6
				In reserve TS/G/12 of 26 Dec 44 for Florence
				In reserve TS/G/12 of 26 Dec 44 for Genoa

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Bologna	3	34	
Reserve attached	23	14	48
	264		485
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(b) Establishments(i) Sussistenza Companies (11)

Rome	2	18	2	18
Naples	2	18	1	18
Bari	2	18	2	18
Palermo	2	18	2	18
Cagliari	2	18	2	18
Catanzaro	2	18	2	18
5 other Sussistenza Companies	10	90		
Reserve Company	2--	18		
	24	216		
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(ii) Port Detachments (13)

Naples - 3	6	45	6	45
Bari -- 2	4	30	4	15 -15
Cagliari- 1	2	15	2	13 -2
7 other Port Detachments	14	105		
	26	195		
	===	===		

(iii) Supply Depots (13)

Rome - 1	3	30		
Naples - 1	3	30	3	23 -7
Bari - 1)	3	30	3	27 -3
Taranto - 1) 2	3	30	3	30 ✓
Catania - 1	3	30	2	4 -26
Cagliari - 1	3	30	3	26 -4
Catanzaro - 1	3	30	1	2 -2
6 other Bulk Supply Depots	18	180		
	39	390		
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(iv) Bateries (12)

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2	10		79
1	18		235
2	18	4	490
2	10	1	38
2	18		132
2	18	2	320

In Reserve TS/G/12
In Reserve TS/G/12

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6	45	
4	15	
2	13	1

Operating as rail dets.
Operating as rail dets.

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3	23	4	
3	27	3	
3	30	3	6
2	4		
3	26		
1	2		

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Naples	- 1	3	30	3	23 -7	4
Bari	- 1)	3	30	3	27 -3	3
Taranto	- 1) 2	3	30	3	30 ✓	3
Catania	- 1	3	30	2 -1	4 -26	
Cagliari	- 1	3	30	3	26 -4	
Catanzaro	- 1	3	30	1 -2	2 -19	
6 other Bulk Supply Depots		18	180			

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(iv) Batteries (12)

Rome	- 2	2	8	1 -1	7 -1	
Naples	- 1	2	8	2 -	5 -3	
Bari	- 1	2	8	2 -	8 -	
Palermo	- 1	2	8	1 -1	8 -	
Cagliari	- 1	2	8	3 -1	8 -	
7 other Batteries		14	56			

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(v) Distribution Depots (70)Rome Region (6)

Sardinia	- 3	6	54	6 -	23 -31	
Rome	- 2	4	36	4 -	15 -31	
Palidoro	- 1	2	18	2 -	18 -	

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Naples Region (12)

Naples	- 2	4	36	4 -	30 -4	
Aversa	- 1)					
Caserta	- 1)					
Mola	- 1)					
Benevento	- 1)					
Salerno	- 1)	12	108	3 -1	7 -21	
Catanzaro	- 1	2	36	2 -	18 -	
Cosenza	- 1	2	18	1 -1	18 -	
Reggio C.	- 1	2	18			

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Bari Region (11)

Bari	- 3	6	54	5 -1	27 -27	
Lecce	- 1)					
Taranto	- 1)					

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3	23 -7	4	
3	27 -3	3	
3	30 ✓	3	6
2 -1	4 -26		
3	25 -4		
1 -2	2 -28		

1 -1	7 -1		
2 ✓	5 -3	1	
2 ✓	8 ✓		4
1 -1	8 ✓		13
3 -1	8 ✓		4

6 ✓	23 -31	2	
4 ✓	15 -21	5	
2	18 ✓	1	

4	30 +6		
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3 -1	7 -27		50
2 ✓	18 ✓	1	34
1 -1	18 ✓		

5 -1	27 -27		
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Naples Region (12)

Bari Region (11)

Sivily (3)

CATANIA - Messina	- 1	)			
Palermo	- 1	)			
Caltanissetta	1	)	<u>6</u>	6	<u>54</u> 54
38 other Distrib.					
Depots			76		684
(vi) <u>Reserves</u>					
Authorized			67		233
Attached at (a)					
above			<u>24</u>		<u>135</u>
Balance			<u>43</u>		98
Total			560		2740
Total all ranks					<u>560</u>
					<u>3300</u>
					231
					800
					231
					1031
					General Total.....

General Total.....2513

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2	18 ✓	1	
4	30 +6		
2 - 2	89 - 11		
3 - 1	7 - 27		
2 ✓	18 ✓	1	50
1 - 1	18 ✓		34

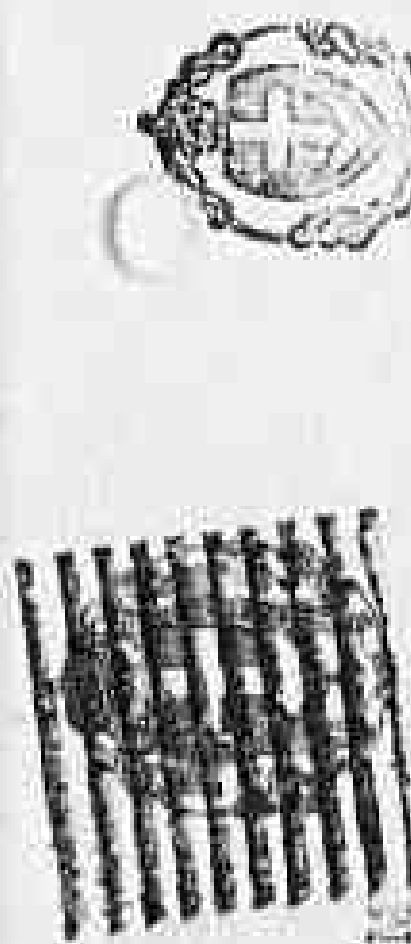
5 - 1 27 - 27

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1 - 1 16 - 2

2 - 4 14 - 40

231	800	77	1405
	231		477
	1031		1482

General Total.....2513



Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

A. S. M. 278/1/Rig. Sped.
Allegato

Roma

Gennaio 1945

All SIG. COL. PERCIVAL
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. - H.Q. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

Risposta al Teleg. N. 2
del

OGGETTO Forza per servizio delle sussistenze.

Come da accordi verbali, si restituisce l'unito specchio degli enti di commissariato per servizio delle sussistenze completo dei dati relativi alla forza esatta esistente presso gli enti stessi alla data del 1° gennaio c.a.

Si allegano, altresì, altre due copie dello specchio medesimo compilato a cura di questo Ministero.

Nello specchio di cui trattasi non figurano i sottoindicati enti, aventi carattere provvisorio e per i quali sono state già impartite disposizioni per la immediata soppressione:

Forza	
Ufficiali	Sottuff. e Truppa
- Magazz. Presidiario viveri-Monopoli-	2 4
- Dep. Prov. viveri - Morti -	3 24
- Magazz. Distr. forag. della Sardegna	1 11

Inoltre si fa presente che il 65° Magazzino Presidiario viveri (Distribution Depot - Sicily) anziché essere dislocato a Messi-

Come da accordi verbali, si restituisce l'unito specchio degli enti di commissariato pel servizio delle sussistenze completato dei dati relativi alla forza esatta esistente presso gli enti stessi alla data del 10 gennaio c.a.

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	Forza	
	Ufficiali	Sottuff. e Truppa
- Magazz. Presidiario viveri-Monopoli-	2	4
- Dep. Provv. viveri - Monti -	3	24
- Magazz. Distr. forag. della Sardegna	1	11

Inoltre si fa presente che il 65° Magazzino Presidiario viveri (Distribution Depot - Sicily) anzichè essere dislocato a Messina è invece dislocato a Catania.

PER MINISTRO

A. Celesia

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TRANSMISSION.

SERIAL No.

Translated by: L.T.J.J.M. HORLICK.

Date: 18 JAN. 45.

FROM: W/M COMM/TO.

"S & T. MMIA. : 1016/S/1

SUPPLIES BRANCH.

Recd 19 Jan : 16 JAN. 45.

TO: MMIA.

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(Info 1/1/1/1/1)

To: Comm/to. Directorate HOME.

XXXX Comm/to. Directorates NAPLES, BARI.

SUBJECT: Officers delegated to Comm/to. Directorates.

The present slowness of the ordinary postal service and the limited possibility of using the urgent channels of communication (telegraph, telephone) make the swift intervention of this Ministry extremely difficult if not impossible, when needed to eliminate the misunderstanding and difficulties which often appear to outstations in the application of ministerial instructions.

This circumstance must reflect badly on the carrying out of commissariat duties, which need at this moment speed and despatch of the greatest kind as far as the purchase of additional items is concerned and for the necessary supplying of the operational and territorial troops and for the completing of the weekly transport bids.

This Ministry, however, also with the intention of easing the tasks of the Comm/to Directorates, has come to the determination of delegating to these Directorates one officer who, keeping in the closest contact with the organs charged with acquisitions and sendings and with the Allied L.O., will see, when it is not possible to settle all the questions of an urgent nature locally, to inform the General Directorate of Comm/to Services immediately, through Allied channels of communication, kindly put at his disposal by MMIA.

The addressees are charged with nominating the officer, drawing from their own personnel.

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The Officer, who must be a commissary, preferably of field rank, and in each case of proved capacity, competence and reliability, will present himself at this Ministry so as to be put well into the picture about the tasks which will be given him, before and not after 26 Jan. 45.

(Signed) PELLIGRA, for the Minister.

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Ministro della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione sussistenze

N. d. R. 1016 13/12 Sped.

Allegato

P.M. 3400, 15 Gennaio 1945

ALLA DIREZ. DI COM/TO DEL COM/DC
TERRITORIALE DI ROMA

P.M. 3400

Risposta al foglio N. 1

OGGETTO Ufficiali delegati presso le Direzioni di Commissariato.-

ALLA DIREZ. DI COM/TO DEL COM/DC TERRITORIALE DI NAPOLI

P.M. 3400

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e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

La lentezza attuale del servizio postale ordinario e la limitata possibilità di utilizzare i mezzi di comunicazione urgenti (telegrafo, telefono) rendono estremamente difficile se non impossibile il tempestivo intervento di questo Ministero per eliminare gli inconvenienti e le difficoltà che spesso si presentano agli enti periferici nell'applicazione delle disposizioni ministeriali.

Tale circostanza non può non riflettersi negativamente nell'esecuzione del servizio di commissariato che richiede nell'attuale momento speditezza e celerità al massimo specie per quanto riguarda gli acquisti dei generi addizionali e i relativi rifornimenti alle truppe operanti e territoriali e la integrale effettuazione dei programmi settimanali di trasporto.

Questo Ministero pertanto, anche nell'intento di facilitare il compito delle Direzioni di Commissariato, è venuto nella determinazione di delegare presso le stesse un ufficiale il quale, mantenendosi in stretto contatto con gli organi incaricati degli acquisti e dei rifornimenti e con l'ufficiale alleato di collegamento

e, per conoscere:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.T.A.) R.O.M.A.

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messi a disposizione della M. I. A.

Le Direzioni di Commissariato in indirizzo sono incaricate di designare il, nominativo dell'ufficiale, attingendo al proprio personale.

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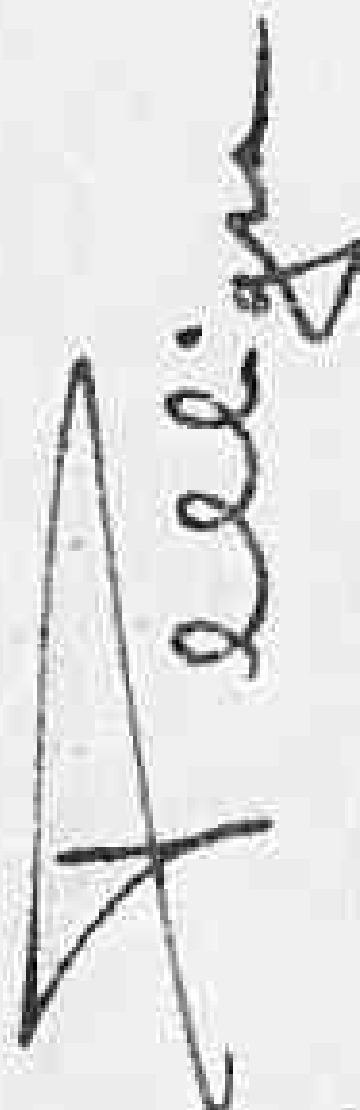
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L'ufficiale, che dovrà essere commissario, preferibilmente di grado superiore, ed in ogni caso di provata capacità, competenza e rettitudine si presenterà a questo Ministero per essere bene orientato circa i compiti che gli saranno affidati, entro e non oltre il 26 del corrente mese.

P. IL MINISTRO



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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Subsistence Section for 228 Div HQ.

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(W.S.I.A.)

SB/20

20 DEC 44

TO: Ministry of War.

Ref your letter 9280/Ord of 14 Dec.

1. It is requested that you submit to this HQ your proposed E.S. for the formation of the above unit.
2. Inform this HQ regarding the strength of 155 Subsistence Section at CHIEF and the nature of their duties.

Approved
for Major General Capt
W.S.I.A.

INTERNAL:

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*S & T, MMIA.

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Subject: Director of Commissariat of H.Q. LATIUM, UMBRIA
& ABRUZZI.

We inform you that as on 20 Nov. 44., the Gabinetto of this Ministry, on the proposal of the Commander H.Q. LATIUM, UMBRIA & ABRUZZI, has substituted Commissary Colonel (regular) CATALANO Salvatore in the post of Commissariat Director of the above H.Q. with Commissariat Colonel (regular) RATIGLIA Rodolfo.

While waiting for the above Colonel to take up his duties in the above post, the Commissariat Directorate of H.Q. LATIUM, UMBRIA & ABRUZZI will be run internally by Lt. Col. Commissary (regular) GUARANY Giovanni.

ADS *[initials]*

*S & T, MMIA.

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F.M. 380 Roma 5 Dicembre 1944

LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C. - H.Q.
(M.M.I.A.) ROMA

Allegato 328/R.P. D.G.

Allegato

OGGETTO Direttore di Commissariato del Comando
Militare Lazio, Umbria e Abruzzi.-

CHIAMATA

Si comunica che, sotto la data del 20 novembre c.s., il Gabinetto di questo Ministero, su proposta del Comandante Militare del Lazio, Umbria e Abruzzi, ha sostituito il Colonnello Commissario s.p.e. CATALANO Salvatore nella carica di Direttore di Commissariato del Comando medesimo con il perigredo in s.p.e. RATIGLIA Rodolfo.

In attesa che il prefato Colonnello Ratiglia assuma la predetta carica, la Direzione di Commissariato del Comando Militare Lazio, Umbria e Abruzzi viene retta internamente dal Ten.Colonnello Commissario s.p.e. GUARANY Giovanni.

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PEL MINISTRO

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Subject: TARANTO Autonomous Commissariat Office.

1. The Autonomous Commissariat Office at TARANTO, was at one time, composed on the following establishment:-

- 1 Commissariat Captain.
- 2 " " Subalterns.

2. At the moment, the following Officers are doing duty at that Office:-

- 1 Commissariat Lt. Col. (Regular).
- 1 " " Captain. (War Commission).
- 1 " " 2. Lt. (Regular).
- 1 " " " " (War Commission);

3. This Ministry considers that the personnel at the moment doing duty is more than sufficient for the tasks performed by the Autonomous Commissariat Office at TARANTO.

4. As, however, the said Office has requested that another Officer of the Commissariat be assigned to them, with a rank not inferior to Captain, and preferably a Regular Officer, will you please inform us whether on your part there are particular reasons which advise an augmentation of personnel at the above Office.

LT.
5 Dec. 1944.

*S & T. MMIA.

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Staff Lieut.

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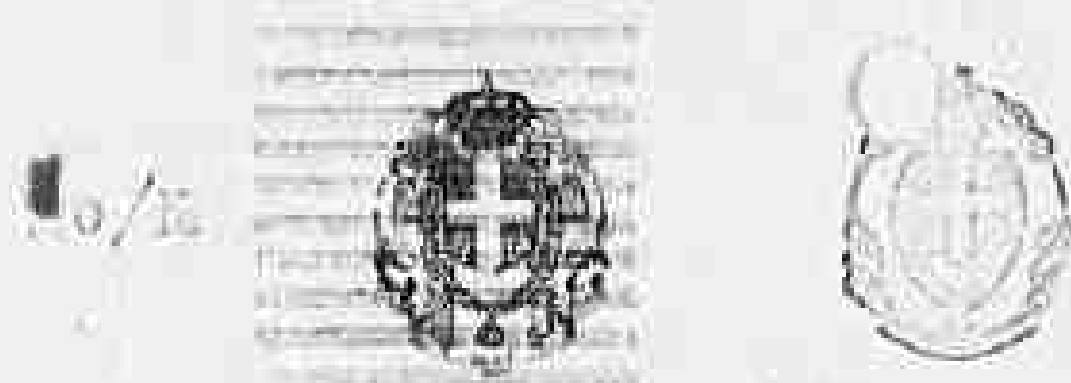
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see no reason to increase
the Taranto Comm. staff

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

Direzione
Tel. 1. 3452/1/3452

Roma 11 Dicembre 1941

LAND FORCES SUP.
COMMISSION A.G. I.O.
(K.M.I.A.)

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Rappresentante del
Dir. 1.OGGETTO Ufficio autonomo di Commissariato di
Taranto.

Indirizzo Office of Commissariat

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1° - L'Ufficio Autonomo di Commissariato
di Taranto, venne a suo tempo, costituito con il
seguente organico:

- 1 capitano commissario
- 2 subalterri commissari

2° - Attualmente, presso il predetto uffici-
cio, prestano servizio i seguenti ufficiali:

- 1 ten.col. commissario in s.p.
- 1 capit. commissario cpl.
- 1 s. tenente commissario in s.p.
- 1 s. tenente commissario cpl.

3° - Questo Ministero ritiene che il
personale attualmente in servizio sia più che
sufficiente per i compiti cui attende l'Ufficio
Autonomo di Commissariato di Taranto.

4° - Poiché, però, detto Ufficio

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SUBJECT:- Reports.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
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Dec 4/4.

Dires. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Reference conversation of 5th December 1944 (General
Pelligrini - Col. Noakes).

1. Herewith copies of the reports referred to in the course of
conversation for such action as is necessary.

BLP/jc

E.L. PERGEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

See 2.3
for proposed
action

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You will like file 16
and attachments.

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Send copies of 16 C & D
only to Gen Pellegrini. I
spoke him today.

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6 Dec

Subject:- Commissariat to BARI.

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Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
MF/101/1
30 Nov 44.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.I.A.).

1. At last it is possible to give some proof of the dishonesty and thieving that is going on in the BARI Commissariato, practiced and organised by the head of branches - Italian Officers of the rank of Colonel.
2. I have been informed that Col. CALDERAZZI, O.C. Magazzino Casermaggio in BARI is trafficking in soap, which as is known is in short supply for Italian Tps, and the attached statements which I forward will give some idea of the control that the delinquents have over the honest.
3. I have seen Lieut LOPARDI, offr of the Commissariato who controls all civilian sworn watchmen, this morning - he informs me that his transfer to ROME has come through this morning.
It will be seen from the report attached of ARPINO FERRANTE the watchmen in question, that Col. CALDERAZZI had said that he would have Lieut LOPARDO thrown out.
4. It is requested that you take such action that will ensure that Officers of the Italian Army who are honest and who try to do their duty to the best of their ability are not made to suffer for their honesty, at the hands of unscrupulous senior Italian Officers whose only interest is to make more money at the expense of the Allies and the Italian Soldier.
5. I would appreciate it if you would arrange for the immediate discharge of Col. CALDERAZZI and the retention of Lieut LOPARDI.

"S & T. MMIA.

Recd 4 Dec

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Action to Whinn
at (17)

C. F. Marshall
Major

C.F. Marshall Maj. G.S.
Senior M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area.

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COPIA

COMANDO MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANIA
Direzione Commissariato

BARI

Verso le ore 19,15 di questa sera l'agente Giarato STUCCI
Giacomo di servizio al Casermaggio DI Cagno e Abbrescia, fermava il
soldato COLETTA Virginio attendente del sign.Ten.Colonnello CALDERAZZI
con un involto contenente sapone.

Lo STUCCI immediatamente avvertiva lo scrivente sorvegliante di
servizio Arpino Ferrante, che recatosi subito sul posto interrogava il
soldato COLETTA la provenienza del sapone in suo possesso, ed egli dichia-
rava di averlo avuto in consegna dalla signora del signor Tenente Colonnello
CALDERAZZI per portarlo a destinazione imprecisata.

Il sottoscritto allora faceva aprire l'involto e constatava
che conteneva 40 pezzi di sapone del complessivo peso di circa otto chili,
invitando il COLETTA a rientrare nel Casermaggio e quindi chiamato il
Tenente Colonnello sig.CALDERAZZI spiegava il caso e consegnava il sopradetto
involto nelle sue mani.

Bari 17/11/1944

IL SOVVEGLIANTE DI SERVIZIO

F/te Arpino Ferrante

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COPIACOMAN MILITARE PUGLIA E LUCANI
DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATOB A R I

15/15

A seguito del mio rapporto del 17 u.s. faccio presente a
codesto Comando che ieri mattina venni chiamato dal sig.Ten.Col.
CALDERASSI, il quale nel suo ufficio mi rimproverò per il su
eccettuato rapporto, dicendomi che trattavasi di questioni di sua esclusiva pertinenza.
Bastava che ne avessi informato solo lui, che è il consegnatario del
magazzino, e che era stato inutile averne riferito a codesto Comando.

Aggiungendo ancora; credete che con questo eccessivo zelo
fuori posto, sperate di avere una medaglia? Io non intendo di essere sorve-
gliato da voi, qui' e' casa mia e non intendo per nessun motivo essere
ficcato il naso nei fatti miei; io non sono un ammonito, sono io che devo
sorvegliare voi.

Chi vi ha ordinato di fare il rapporto alla Direzione di Com-
missariato? Non era sufficiente aver chiarito con me la questione?

Ho spiegato al sig.Ten.Col.CALDERASSI che non potevo omettere
dal mio rapporto mattinale una novità verificatasi durante il servizio da
me controllato, aggiungendo che disposizioni e ordini mi vengono dati diret-
tamente dal sig.Colonnello Direttore, tramite il sig.Tenente LOFARDI.

A questa mia illustrazione il sig.Ten.Colonnello CALDERASSI
rispose che il primo ad essere eccitato dal Commissariato sarebbe nella
persona del Sig.Tenente LOFARDI.

Ad evitare che si possano verificare in altre circostanze
analoghe incertezze nella maniera di comportarsi, prego codesto Comando di
volermi dare disposizioni tassative e precise alle quali possano attenersi
senza timore di sbagliarsi.

IL SERVEGLIANTE DI SERVIZIO
F/to Arn. Ino Ferrante

P. C. C.

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HEADQUARTERS APULIA & LUCANIA
Commissariat Directorate

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B A R I

Following my report of 17 of this month I state that yesterday morning I was called by Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI, who reproved me for the above report, telling me that the question was entirely his affair. It was enough that I had informed him alone, who was in charge of the Depot, and that it was useless to have informed your H.Q.

He then added; Do you hope to win a medal with this excessive misplaced zeal? I do not intend to be watched over by you, I am at home here and I do not in any way intend to have noses poked into my affairs; I am not a suspect, it is I who must watch over you.

Who ordered you to make that report to the Commissariat Directorate? Was not it sufficient to have cleared the matter up with me?

I explained to Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI that I could not leave an incident that had happened during a tour of duty supervised by me out of my morning report, and added that instructions and orders were given to me directly by the Col. Director through Lt. LOPARDI.

When I stated this Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI replied that the first to be thrown out of the Commissariat would be Lt. LOPARDI.

So as to avoid similar uncertainty in other circumstances in the manners to adopt, will you please give me ~~instructions~~ thorough and exact instructions to which I can hold without fear of committing an error.

(Signed) The Headwatchman on Duty
ALPINO FERRANTE.

HEADQUARTERS APULIA & LUCANIA
Commissariat Directorate

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About 1915 hrs. this evening the sworn agent STUCCI Giacomo on duty at the barrack stores of CAGNO and ABBRESCIA, stopped the soldier COLETTA Virginio, batman to Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI, with a parcel containing soap.

STUCCI immediately warned the writer, fireman-watchman on duty, Arrino Ferrante, who went at once to the spot and questioned the COLETTA about the origin of the soap in his possession, and he stated that he had received it from the wife of Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI with directions to take it to a destination, which was not given him.

The undersigned then ordered the parcel to be opened and saw that it contained 40 pieces of soap, taking an overall weight of about eight kilograms. He ordered COLETTA to reenter the Barrack Stores and then called Lt. Col. CALDERAZZI, explained the case, and handed the parcel mentioned above into his hands.

BARI, 17/11/1944

(Signed) The Headwatchman on Duty

ARRINO FERRANTE.

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BARI, 17/11/1944

(Signed) The Headwatchman on Duty

ARPINO FERRANTE.


4 Dec 44

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SUBJECT: Organization of the Sussistenza Department of the War Ministry Commissariat.

TO: A.B.R.F., Land Forces Sub Commission A.G. (E.H.L.A.).

Sir,

The organization of the Sussistenza Department of the War Ministry Commissariat has been radically changed since the move of the War Ministry to RMH. There has been a considerable increase in personnel, and in the ranks held by the Officers working in the Department. In addition, two of the former Officers have been sent to other duties.

The result has NOT been satisfactory. Instead of the greater efficiency which should be derived from a larger staff, there seems to have been a falling off, not only in efficiency, but also in the will to work.

The high ranking Officers who have been brought in, to take the place of the juniors known to the Mission at RMH, are all men who stayed in RMH during the GERMAN Occupation. They had, before the Armistice, been regular Italian Army men, stationed in RMH, and had found it impossible, either through age, or lack of opportunity, to rejoin H.I.M. Forces in the SOUTH.

The policy of the Ministry of War seems to be that of trying to reinsert such officers into positions commensurate with their rank, provided their political record can stand the strain of inquiry.

The trouble with this scheme, is that the officers so concerned are older men, and, worse than that, are imbued with the bureaucratic methods of pre-armistice Italy.

The main results of the changes are a general slackening of interest; a considerable increase in action by paper, followed by complacency; hesitation among juniors to take responsibility; lack of initiative; and an increasing tendency for individuals to shut themselves into watertight compartments.

Work has suffered in consequence and in general it can be said there are more avoidable muddles and delays now than existed before.

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I herewith attach a list of the Sussietense Department Staff before and after the move of the War Ministry to ROME :-

BEFORE

Chief of Dept.	Capt.	VENERELLA.	An active, cooperative officer, who handled a difficult job with ability.
2 i.c.	Lt.	IANNARELLI.	Sound.
Subalterns)	2 Lt.	MEHLER.	Efficient when given the opportunity.
	Lt.	GIULIANI.	Efficient.

AFTER

Chief of Dept.	Lt. Col.	FISICARO.	A tricer, who personally works quite hard, but not a strong personality. Too optimistic, therefore details go wrong.
2 i.c.	Maj.	ROZZERIA.	Considered <u>not</u> efficient.
Captain.	Capt.	LA VIGIA.	Admittedly has no interest in his work.
Subaltern.	Lt.	IANNARELLI.	
Subaltern.	2 Lt.	DEBILLO.	
Civilian.	Dott.	D ^e AURIA.	Fairly reliable as to facts.
Civilian.	Dott.	CASSETTAZZO.	
Civilian.	Dott.	GIUSTO.	Difficult.

Respectfully submitted,

In the Field.
24 Nov. 44.

J. H. H. H.
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Lt.
Coldstream Guards.
Staff Lt. (Liaison).

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This may be of interest to you.

I could not agree more with what Herbert says.
There is a delightful and calm "laid out" space
about things these days and you will probably
purpose the speaking day, so you as we are
concerned, ready in the Ministry at 12.00 pm.

Hispanic times in an amiable fashion, but has
only an odd blue line and there.



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Please remind so that I can show the
Council a helpful report.

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FASCIO ROMANO DI COMBATTIMENTO

Roma, li 1943-XXI

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p. IL COMMISSARIO DEL FASCIO ROMANO
(GINO BARDI)

Firma

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Subject: Organisation of the Sussistenza Department of the War Ministry Commissariat.

To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub Commission A.C. (M.M.I.A.).

Sir,

The Sussistenza Department of the War Ministry Commissariat has, for the last month been going from bad to worse. The reason seems to be that there has been a considerable increase of staff since after I joined the Mission and since the War Ministry moved to ROME. The result has NOT been that expected. Instead of there being an increase in efficiency, a marked decrease has become apparent. This seems due to the fact that, instead of the young and moderately keen ~~young~~ officers that ran the Department at LECCE and in the first days in ROME, the Italian Army Authorities have substituted older officers of higher rank, who apparently spent the period of the German Occupation of ROME in the bush. They are now of a class that can be described by the word 'fossils'. Of their political integrity I am sure there is no doubt; the same can NOT be said of their efficiency.

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Subaltern. Lt. GIULIANI, efficient, and with a sense of humour.

Subaltern. 2Lt. MOBILIO, stooge, but efficient if allowed to speak.

AFTER.

Chief of Dept. Lt.Col. FISICARO

2 i.c. Maj. MAZZELLA, only recently arrived. In my opinion useless.

Captain. Capt. LI VOSSI, admits he has no interest in his job.

Subaltern. Lt. IANNARELLI.

Subaltern. 2Lt. MOBILIO.

Civilian. Dott. D' AURIA, obsequious, but has his facts fairly correct.

Civilian. Dott. CHIEFFO, a horrible piece of work, by way of being 'sharp'.

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You will notice the marked increase in establishment with regard to both rank and personnel.

Instead of leading to a happier state of affairs, this has unfortunately led to muddle after muddle. The chief reason for this is that every officer has now shut himself into a watertight compartment and refuses, except under very firm pressure to poke his nose out of it. There does NOT seem to be the old zest for work that existed if only to a limited extent in the previous setup.

As an instance of the muddle I am referring to, the GREAT MATCH MUDDLE of the last few days can be given.

Respectfully submitted,

In the Field.
16 Nov. 44.

Lt.
Coldstream Guards.
Staff Lt. (Liaison).

Respectfully submitted,

In the Field.
16 Nov. 44.

[Signature]

Lt.
Coldstream Guards.
Staff Lt. (Liaison).

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A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CMF.
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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.).

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Further to this office letter ST/2 dated 5 NOV 44.

1. Translation of a letter received from Comm. BARI, No. 6/29230 dated 6 NOV 44 is forwarded for your information.

2. The original advice of wagons despatched to ORTONA on 29 Oct, which is alleged in para.3 of a/m Comm. letter to have been sent to this office, has never been received.

3. The remainder of the letter is considered to be more excuses for inefficiency. It is also thought unjust that junior Officers only should be penalised and not the head of the Supply Branch concerned i.e. MAJOR DE TOMA.

C. F. Murcell
Major

C.F. Murcell Maj. G.S.
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area.

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA

Direzioe di Commissariato
Ufficio del Direttore

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nr 5/29230 di prot.

P.M. 67 li 6 November 44

Subject: Organization of the Direzione Commissariato of Bari-

To ; Ministry of War - R O M E
and for information
to : M.M.I.A. L.O. - c/o 54 AREA - B A R I

Enclosed we send you copy in translation of letter ST/2 dated 5th inst arrived today from the local Comando Distaccamento M.M.I.A.

1. It appears that the remarks made by Capt Freeland to this Direction have been originated from the following facts:

a) No reply to the letter ST/8 addressed from Capt Freeland to me (we enclose copy n° 2).

b) Many difficulties that Capt Freeland has had to obtain precisions about the expeditions of wagons of commodities from our depots.

c) Inaccuracies that the same Officer has found on the situation of commodities delivered to the navy on the period 1/31 October.

2. The particulars are the following:

During last week we have had after Sunday 29 October, two more days of festa: Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 November.

In the afternoon of those days, the duty has been effected as custom by a duty Officer and one Officer per section.

Capt Bettinardi was, on the afternoon of the 1 Nov, in the Office. This Officer incharged of the Liaison can give (to Capt Freeland and to the other Officer of M.M.I.A.) the various answers only after having taken the necessary information from the respective sections. For this information in order to be exact, it is necessary to have the necessary time. I don't excuse myself for the absences, due as I explained, to the festa office hours. Actually the note of 20 wagons totally sent during the days 1, 2 and 3 inst was delivered to Capt Freeland on the night of the 3.

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3. From 1230 hrs to 1300 hrs of 3 November it ^{was} ~~has been~~ impossible at once to give the information requested by Capt Freeland about the expedition of wagons to Ortona or Vasto after the 19 October because the Offices were closed till 16 hours. However, Capt Bettinardi having been able to get some information from Magazzino Viveri, informed Capt Freeland, resolving to give as soon as possible more exact information.

At 15 hours infact, the same officer notified to Capt Freeland that the Italian units located in the Ortona Area and Vasto ~~1534~~ should be supplied by Allied Depots as per instructions of Ministry (IO4/IO/5/I dated 29/9).

By the same Magazzino Viveri Capt Bettinardi was told a little later that on the 29 October 2 wagons had been sent to Ortona. Immediately he informed Capt Freeland. At 16 hours on the arrival of the employee incharged with the work it was possible to find a copy of the usual communication, written on the 29 October with which this Direction informed the M.M.I.A. Office that two wagons had been truly sent on the 29 October to Vasto, as per expedition documents in our hands.

The fact is that the expeditions have been effected to 209 Sezione Sussistenza, which has a section at Vasto and another at few km. at Ortona. Consequently no confusion could be created by the first hurried information, which alluded to two wagons, one of flour, one of dry vegetables, sent to the e/m section at Ortona, through the station of Vasto.

4. Capt Freeland on the 4 November asked S.Lieut.Tommaseo for recapitulation of commodities, supplied to the R.Navy during the month of October.

Such recapitulation was urgently drawn up in the same day and delivered to Capt Freeland who asked a little later by telephone that "beans" which had been included together with "potatoes" as "dehydrated vegetables" should be separated.

S.Lieut Tommaseo arranged at once for a typed recapitulation without delay, as Capt.Freeland was awaiting. In this copy, done in a hurry, distractedly the item "salt" was left, and Capt Freeland immediately perceived that omission.

It is an oversight due to the wish to be quick as requested, and this can be clearly understood by whomever has practice and comprehension of work. However it is very unfortunate that it was Capt Freeland who discovered that oversight, for which I inflicted 5 days C.B. (without pay) to Lieut.Tommaseo.

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(A.La Zara)

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SUBJECT:- Commissariato - Bari.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
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Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

8 Nov 42.

1. In a number of reports submitted by the MMIA Liaison Officer Bari during recent weeks there have been comments regarding the working of the Bari Commissariato Office. Observation was kept by this HQ on the points raised in the Liaison Officers reports and it became clear that difficulty was being experienced by the Liaison Officer in resolving some of the questions. This difficulty appeared to indicate inefficiency on the part of the Commissariato Office.
2. The Liaison Officer has now sent in a special report, copy of which is attached hereto, from which you will see that an unsatisfactory state of affairs undoubtedly exists at Bari.
3. You are requested to cause an immediate investigation to be made by a suitable officer to be nominated by you and to make such changes of staff as are desirable in the light of his report to you.
There is clearly a need for drastic action to be taken to restore the Bari office to a good state of efficiency.
4. Please keep this HQ informed of your action.

BLP/jo

B.L. PERCEVAL,
Lt. Col. RA30,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

Copy to:- A/Q.
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
BARI.

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Liaison Officer
BARI
25/11/42
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Subject:- Commissariato Office Organisation.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.).
C/o 54 Area. CTF.
ST/2

5 NOV 44

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.). ✓

Further to this office letter ST/8 of even date addressed to Comm. BARI, copy to you.

1. During the past few days information required from the COMMISSARIATO OFFICE, BARI, has been either (a) unavailable (b) obtained after much difficulty or (c) stated inaccurately.

2.

Details are given below:

- (i) On several occasions during normal Italian Military working hours there has been no officer on duty at the Comm. office except at times CAPT BETTINARDI (an example is 1800 hrs 1 Nov. 44). This Officer has had many matters thrust upon him which do not come within his jurisdiction and although he has done his best, he cannot be expected to know all the answers. The excuse offered for non-availability of Officers has been termed "several days of FESTA".
- (ii) It was observed by this office ^{on} 3 Nov 44 that no advise of any wagons despatched from Italian Depots since 31 Oct 44 had been received. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~. At approx. 1200 hrs on that day CAPT. GUTHRIE approached the Comm. office and was informed that wagons had been since despatched but that the information had not been communicated due to the "FESTA". Particulars were received 6½ hrs later at 1830 hrs showing a total of 20 wagons despatched over 3 days. This should be rendered daily.
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- At 1500 hrs CAPT BETTINARDI gave information of TWO wagons despatched which he said, had been consigned to ORTONA and NOT VASTO. Less ^{an} hour later, written ~~confirmation~~ arrived signed by MAJOR DE TOMA shewing ~~five~~ two wagons as having been despatched to VASTO! This office doubts if the Comm. office actually knows where they were sent.
- (iv) On 4 Nov 44, a statement shewing supplies issued to the Italian Navy in the period 1 - 31 Oct 44 was received from the Comm. office.
- Dehydrated Vegetables had been included with Pulses in one total, despite the fact that the ration scale is not the same for both commodities. When pointed out, another statement was sent to this office. This time an item (SALT) had been left out altogether.

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Subject:- Comm ariato Office Organisatio (Cont)

3. The above are only a few examples of inefficiency which hamper the work of this office and it appears obvious that the Comm. office, BARI needs reorganising.

KF/jmr

C. F. Murcell
proctor

C.F. Murcell Maj.G.S.
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area.

Copy to:- COMMISSARIATO, BARI

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Subject: War Establishments of the Commissariat Service.

"C. S. T. XXXX.

Recd 1 Oct.

Reply to your ST/100 of 16 Aug. 44.

File ST/100

In accord with your request contained in the above letter and following the lucid instructions and data given by a short route by Captain VENTRELLA of this Ministry, we send you six copies of the tables attached to the letter 2000/1/Se of 3 Aug. 44. relating to the organization of the Commissariat Service in the central and detached organs.

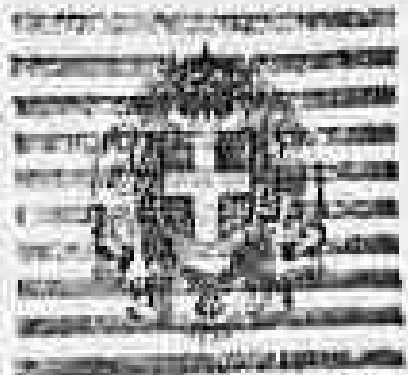
We think it opportune to add as well six copies of the gradual numerical tables for the Regions of SICILY and SARDINIA, changed and modified on the basis of the new War Establishments fixed for the Commissariat Service in the above Islands.

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 Roma
 Ministero della Guerra
 DIREZIONE GENERALE
 DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
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 Del. 2724/I/Se Allegati 27

Roma 29 Settembre 1944
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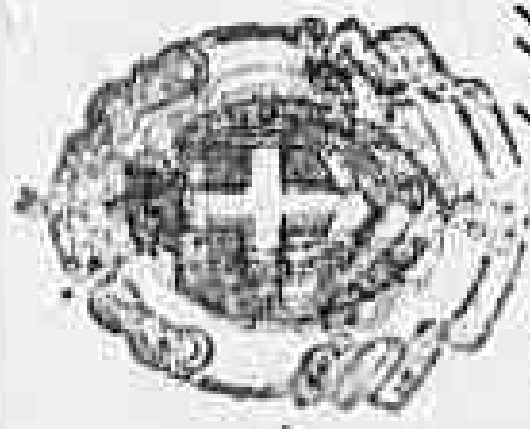
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 Ventrella di questo Ministero, si trasmettono
 n° 6 copie degli specchi allegati al foglio
 n° 2000/I/Se - data 3 agosto c.a., relativi al-
 l'organizzazione del servizio di commissariato
 negli organi centrali e periferici.

Si ritiene opportuno aggiungere, altresì,
 n° 6 copie (alleg.5) delle tabelle graduali nu-
 meriche per le regioni militari della Sicilia
 e Sardegna, modificate ed aggiornate in base
 ai nuovi organici fissati per il servizio di
 commissariato per dette Isole.

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

Al. M. 101/38 Ind.

Allegati

Roma 14 settembre 1944

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA
SARDEGNA P.M. 50

Risposta al Foglio N. 2
del

OGGETTO Distaccoamento portuale.

Post. Detachment

e per conoscenza:

ALL'ARMY SUB COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.) H.Q. A.C.C.

ROMA

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA P.M. 50

Seguito dispaccio 2159/I/S del 17-8 u.s.

In armonia alle nuove disposizioni impartite dalla Sottocommissione per l'Esercito della A.C.C. il distaccoamento portuale di Cagliari deve essere ripristinato.

Si prega dar corso con urgenza a quanto sopra.

Si rammenta che l'organico dell'Ente in oggetto è di:

- 2 ufficiali, di cui 1 capitano
- 1 maresciallo
- 2 sergenti maggiori o sergenti
- 3 caporali maggiori o caporali
- 9 soldati.

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e per conoscenza:

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ALL'ARMY SUB COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.) H.Q. A.G.C.

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ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA P.M.30

Seguito dispaccio 2159/I/S del 17-8 u.s.

In armonia alle nuove disposizioni impartite dalla Sottocommissione per l'Esercito della A.G.C. il distaccoamento portuale di Cagliari deve essere ripristinato.

Si prega dar corso con urgenza a quanto sopra.

Si rammenta che l'organico dell'Ente in oggetto è di:

- 2 ufficiali, di cui 1 capitano
- 1 maresciallo
- 2 sergenti maggiori o sergenti
- 3 caporali maggiori o caporali
- 9 soldati.

PEL MINISTRO

Following our 2159 I/S of 17 Aug 44.

In accordance with instructions from MMIA.
The Port Det. at CAGLIARI will be reconstituted.

These slots immediately

We Remind you that the Unit's L.D. is:

2 P.M.s incl. 1 Capt.

1 W.O.

2 Sigs. or 21 Sigs.

3 Cpls.

9 O.R.s.

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INTER OFFICE MINUTE

FILE: ST/100.

At Horlick

Sir,

1 Ref encls (7) - Can we find out from War Min who gave the instructions to abolish the bagliari Port Det. ST didn't - & AG don't know.

What PERCIVAL gave verbal instructions about the case, also (AG) Amphoto? remember transcript when asked bagliari.

2 Ref encls (6) - How are the maps progressing; it is nearly a month since we asked for them.

There are coming tomorrow.

Dec.
10 Sep.

At Horlick.

Quite right I did, but later in the same meeting, after speaking to AG, I said the Port Det. was to stay for the time being!!

Please clarify with WH.

Telephone Conversation
AT HORLICK - CAPT. VENTURA

Sir,

BAGLIARI Pt. Det. will be replaced at once

At Horlick
10/15/44
13 Sep 44.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispettorato

N. 259 di prot. I/S P. M. 107, II 17 agosto 1944

Risposta al foglio N. del Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Abolizione distaccamento portuale.

"S & T. M.M.A. COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA

Recd e per conoscenza:

PER STI ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL
COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
CAGLIARI

ALL'ARMY SUB COMMISSION (A.C.C.) A.C.C.
ROMA

La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito
della A.C.C. ha disposto la soppressione del
distaccamento portuale di Cagliari.

Pregasi voler dar corso, con urgenza,
a quanto sopra disponendo il recupero del so-
lativo personale.

PER IL MINISTRO

T. Elligra

Lee(8) 5531

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16 August 44

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1. It would be very much appreciated if a further 6 copies of the above tables and map could be forwarded for the use of the Staff and Service branches of this HQ.

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B. L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC.

ADST, Army Sub Commission, (MIA).

B.F. Lee (8)
~~20 Aug~~
~~22 Aug~~
~~23 Aug~~
~~24 Aug~~
~~31 Aug~~
 7 Sep Lee
 10 Sep 10

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 How much longer?
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WAR ESTABLISHMENTS OF ITALIAN SUPPLY SERVICES.

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1. SICILY (Based on strength of 10,000)

	Officers	NCOs & ORs	
1 Regional Commissariato	15	30	+ Roving Comm. Oftrs 3 Reserve 2 Oftrs, 10 ORs
2 Supply Unit Hq	2	13	
1 Port Detachment	2	15 X	No.
1 Bulk Supply Depot	3	30	✓
3 Food Distribution Depot	2	20	3
1 Forage & POL Regional Distribution Depot	2	20	Forage & POL
3 Garrison Food, Forage, & POL D.R.	6	60 X	No.
1 Military Bakery	2	8	
Total	34	201	

2. SARDINIA (Based on strength of 19,000)

5000 Internal Security
9000 working 4000
4000 AF.

	Officers	NCOs & ORs	
1 Regional Commissariato	15	30	+ Roving Comm. Officers 4 Reserve 10 ORs.
1 Supply Unit Hq	2	18	
1 Port Detachment	2	15	Not yet.
1 Bulk Supply Depot	3	30	
3 Food Distribution Depot	6	60	?
1 Forage & POL Regional Distribution Depot	2	20	

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ea 2 Oftrs & 20 ORs

1	Military Bakery	2	8
Total		34	201

2.	<u>SARDINIA</u> (Based on strength of 19,000)	5000 Internal Security 9000 working 4000 4000 AH.
		<u>NCOs & ORs</u>
		<u>Officers</u>
1	Regional Commissariato	15 30 + Roving Comm. Officers 4 Reserve 10 ORs.
1	Supply Unit Hq	2 18
1	Port Detachment	2 15) Not yet
1	Bulk Supply Depot	3 30
3	Food Distribution Depot	6 60 ?
1	Forage & POL Regional Distribution Depot	2 20
13	Garrison Food, Forage & POL D.D. ea 2 Oftrs & 20 ORs	26 260 ? Imp! They must do with the
1	Military Bakery	2 8
Total		54 401

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L. B. Davis 5/23/71

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

1. The Allied Command has decided that the number of Officers and other ranks employed in the Administrative HQ and Services shall NOT exceed twenty seven thousand (27000)
2. The primary task of the Administrative Services is to ensure that the best possible use is made in the Allied cause of the large quantity of supplies which the Allies have made available.
3. In order that this may be carried out the Administrative Services (Services) for the Command of Italy, Sicily and Sardinia will comprise 25200 all ranks. The balance of 1800 being used for Control and Administrative HQs upon such organization as you decide.
4. The total of 25200 allotted for the Administrative Services will be allotted as under :-

(c) Medical Services, including patient care, Red Cross Nurses and Unit.

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(b) Commissariato:

Sustained

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Equilino, Lantano

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(c) Confidential

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(b) *Anticorrosion and Silicols*

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3. In order that this may be carried out the Administrative Services (Services) for the Island of Italy, Sicily and Sardinia will comprise 23200 all ranks. The balance of 3400 being used for Central and Headquarters upon such organization as you decide.

4. The total of 23200 allotted for the Administrative Services will be allotted as under :-

(a) Medical Services including authorized Red Cross Nurses and Nuns.

3000

(b) Convalescents :

Sussidienza

3300

Vertigine
Gommalgine
Equipaggiamento

300

(c) Artilleria

1500

(d) Engineering and Signals

3800

(e) Veterinary

300

(f) Motor Transport Services

1400

(g) Docking Operations, Cows and Horses

600

(h) Labour Coy under Command Considerable
(now in service)

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(i) Guard Platoon (now in service)

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The breakdown in general is given in the attached Appx "A". Further points concerning the breakdown in detail will be discussed with you through Staff channels.

5. I am directed to inform you that the necessary reorganization in accordance with this letter will be made forthwith.

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ALL CHANGES

War Diary (2)

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War Diary General, S.C.C.
War Sub Commission, S.C.C.
(S.M.I.).

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FROM : WAR MINISTRY

REF: 1879/I/3

TO : MEDIA

DATE: JULY 44.

Subject: Organization of Commissariato Services.

In regard to the verbal agreement reached with Lt. Col. PERCIVAL and Major COLE I have enclosed the recapitulation list of the establishments foreseen for the commissariato service: "central organ" and "attached organs".

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Moreover, in regard to clothing and barrack material service, we have considered 12 material depots to be reactivated and 12 barrack material depots (instead of 10 as agreed) in order to make them coincide with the "regions" without increasing the foreseen total strength for said establishments.

I have also enclosed a list of Commissariato establishments, pre-existent in the kingdom, not considered in the list. The relative personnel can be specified in time, in regard to what will be agreed, or what we can do with said establishments and the conditions in which they will be found.

I will send the establishments of the units considered in the list divided per region, as soon as possible.

Sd. Gen. FILLICCA.

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Sd. Gen. FRIGERA.

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"S & T, MMMA,

Recd 25 Aug.

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Sent to Cal. ~~Shindler~~ 16/84

(Signature)

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SECRET

Subject: Strength of the Administrative HQ and
Services of the Italian Army.

Supp. Com. Commission, C.C. Dec. 1944
Hq. Italian Army
R.O.M. H.
1/8.

To: COMUSMACV

Jul 44

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3. In order that this may be carried out the Administrative Services (General) for the Mainland of Italy, Sicily and Sardinia will comprise 25200 all ranks. The balance of 2000 ranks used for Central and Perimeter HQs upon such organization as you decide.
4. The total of 25200 allotted for the Administrative Services will be allotted as under :-

(a) Medical Services - including authorized
Red Cross Nurses and Staff.

2000

(b) Commissariato :

Subsistence

5300

Verticario
Commissario
Equipage, etc.

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6. The total of 25000 allotted for the administrative provision will be allotted as under :-

- (b) Committee :

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Verification

5. *Principles of Mathematics*

Quil is a volunteer.

(c) Publication

(d) Engineers and Signals

(a) Vinery

(c) Motor Transport Services

(x) *Stacks Operations*: Days and Months

(h) Labour Gov under Command Committee to
(now in hiatus)

(1) **Current Piston (see in manual)** (Collected at site)

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Director for Genetic

my Sub Commission, A.C.C.
(C.T.)

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SECRETAmiz "A" to AQ/3 of 22 Jul 44.

1. The breakdown in general of the Administrative Units as set out in para 4 of AQ/3 of 28 July will be as under.

2. Medical Services.

Number of Units.	Unit Establishment.		Total.
	Offs.	Ors.	
General Hospitals (17000 beds)	900	6000	6900
Convalescent Depot (1500 beds)	14	140	154
Medical Depot stores	32	240	272
Hygiene Services	14	350	364
Hospital Trains	4	32	36
	<u>934</u>	<u>5762</u>	<u>7726</u>
Unallotted	36	238	274
	<u>1000</u>	<u>7000</u>	<u>10000</u>

3. Commissariato - Assistenza.

Number of Units	Unit Establishment.		Total.
	Offs.	Ors.	
Regional HQ	12	30	240
Assistenza Coys	12	18	24
Infirmeries	13	3	26
Bulk Supply Depots	13	30	39
Distribution Depots	70	18	38
Port B. detachments	15	15	140
	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>225</u>
Unallotted (incl replacements for sickness etc)			<u>399</u>
			<u>61</u>
			<u>560</u>
			<u>2740</u>
			<u>3300</u>

4. Artilleria.

Detailed recommendation to be submitted by Ministry of War. 1500

5. Engineers & Signals.

Commandi Genio and Direzione Lavori	Ors.		Total
	Offs.	Ors.	
Comandanti Genio	297	754	1051
Regimenti	33	781	814
Depositi	18	322	340
Regimenti del Genio	25	150	175

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3. Commissariato - Sussistenza.

Number of Units	Unit Requisition Offs.	CRS	Total Offs. CRS
Regional HQ	12	30	210 360 ✓
Sussistenza Coys	12	18	24 216 ✓
Bunkers	13	3	26 39 ✓
Bulk Supply Depots	13	30	39 390 ✓
Distribution Depots	70	12	140 1260 ✓
Port Detachments	15	15	30 225 ✓
			499 2490
Unallotted (incl replacements for sickness etc)			61 250 ✓
			560 2740
			3300

4. Antiaerea.

Detailed recommendation to be submitted by Ministry of War. 1500

5. Engineers & Signals.

	Offs.	CRS.	Total
Comandi Genio and Direzioni Lavori	297	754	1051
Magazzini	33	781	814
Laboratori	18	322	340
Rifornimento del Genio	25	150	175
Signal units	64	1414	1478
	437	3357	3794
Unallotted		6	6
			3800

6. Veterinary.

Detailed breakdown to be submitted by Ministry of War. Total all ranks. 300

7. Motor Transport Services.

	Total all ranks.
Workshops and Repair Organisations	2300
Drivers and M.T. Units	1300
Delegazioni Trasporti	540
	4640

8. Docks Operating and Forestry.

Detailed recommendation to be submitted by Ministry of War. Total all ranks. 600

9. Labour Coy under Command of Commissariato (Now in NAPLES).

Offs.	CRS.	Total
6	200	206
2	50	54
		260

10. Guard Platoon.

FROM : WAR MINISTRY

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TO : MILA

DATE: JULY 42.

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Sd. Gen. FERRUTTI.

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SA, Gen. FALICHA.

"S & T, MMA.

Recd 25 Aug.

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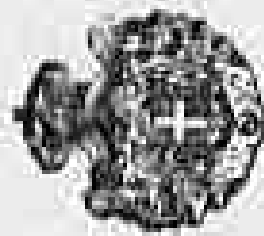
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Pre-existent Commissariato Establishments not considered in the actual organization and for whom in time, the establishment will have to be fixed, in regard to the use which we could or may want to make of it and the condition in which they will be found.

- 12 Mills (1 Bakery out house and 1 independent annex).
- 11 Bakeries.
- 3 Biscuit factories (2 bakery out houses and 1 independent annex).
- 2 Establishments for preparation of preserved foods.
- 3 Refrigerators owned and 5 rented.
- 5 Central clothing warehouses with tailor W/Shop.
- 1 Military Clothing equipment factory.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

ISPETTORATO

N. 1849 di prot. 11/3

Risposta al foglio N. del

P. M. 107. li

Luglio 1944

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Organizzazione servizi commissariato.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE DI CONTROLLO PER L'ESERCITO

R. C. M. A.

In relazione agli accordi verbali intervenuti con il Gen. Colonnello Percival, ed il Maggiore Cole di codesta M. E. I. A., trasmetto lo specchio sinillogotico degli organici previsti per il servizio di commissariato: "organo centrale" e "organi periferici".

Questo specchio non sono stati compresi i personali civili (amministrativi e d'ordine), che sarà necessario impiegare, non che i segneri ufficiali:

- 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un maggiore) e 2 ufficiali inferiori (attualmente due tenenti), rispettivamente capo ed addetti alla sezione commissariato dell'Ufficio Servizi dello Stato Maggiore R. Esercito;
- 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un maggiore) insegnante materie tecniche e professionali presso le Accademie Militari;
- 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un colonnello) capo servizio commissariato presso il Comando Generale della R. Guardia Finanze;

In relazione agli accordi verbali intervenuti con il Gen. Colonnello Percival, ed il Maggiore Uole di codesta R.M.I.A., tranne lo specchio stipendiario degli organi previsti per il servizio di commissariato: "organo centrale" e "organi periferici".

Nello specchio non sono stati compresi i personali civili (amministrativi e d'ordine) che sarà necessario impiegare, nonché i seguenti ufficiali:

- a) - 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un maggiore) e 2 ufficiali inferiori (attualmente due tenenti), rispettivamente capo ed addetti alla sezione commissariato dell'Ufficio Servizi dello Stato Maggiore R.Esercito;
- b) - 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un maggiore) insegnante nella via tecnica e professionali presso le Accademie Militari;
- c) - 1 ufficiale superiore (attualmente un colonnello) capo servizio commissariato presso il Comando Generale della R. Guardia Finanza;
- d) - 2 ufficiali superiori (attualmente un ten.col. ed un maggiore) presso l'A.M.S. di Roma.

a) - 1 ufficiale inferiore (attualmente capitano) presso l'Ufficio di Stato Maggiore R.Esercito. Inoltre, per quanto riguarda il servizio di Stato Maggiore R.Esercito, si sono considerati 12 depositi materiali da ricattare e 12 depositi caserme (anziché 10 zone concordati) per farli coincidere con le "regioni" senza peraltro aumentare la forza complessiva per detti stabilimenti previsti.

Per memoria, unico, a parte, l'elenco degli stabilimenti

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menti di commissariato, preesistenti nel Regno, non considerati nello specchio. Il personale relativo potrà essere precisato, a suo tempo, in relazione a quanto si intenderà o si potrà fare degli stabilimenti stessi e dello stato di efficienza in cui saranno trovati.

Mi riservo di inviare, al più presto, gli organici per ticologgiati degli enti considerati nello specchio, ripartiti per regione.

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Stabilimenti di commissariato, preesistenti, non considerati nell'organizzazione attuale e per i quali occorrerà, a suo tempo, fissare gli organici in relazione all'impiego che di essi si potrà e si vorrà fare, nonché allo stato di efficienza in cui saranno trovati.

- 12 Molini (11 annessi a panifici ed 1 autonomo)
- 11 Panifici
- 3 Gallettifici (2 annessi a panifici ed 1 autonomo)
- 2 Stabilimenti per la preparazione dei prodotti alimentari in conserva
- 3 Refrigerari in proprietà e 5 in affitto
- 5 Magazzini centrali vestiario con laboratori sartoria
- 1 Ufficio militare vestiario equipaggiamento

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- 2 Stabilimenti per la preparazione dei prodotti alimentari in conserva
- 3 Refrigeratori in proprietà e 5 in affitto
- 5 Magazzini centrali vestiario con laboratori sanatoria
- 1 Ospizio militare vestiario equipaggiamento

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*Map of War
Milit. Gen. - General -
Inspectorate*

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
- Ispettorato -

ORGANIZZAZIONE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO

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ORGANIZZAZIONE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO

Commissione Servizi Organizzati

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E N T I (numero)	COMMISSARIA							
	COMMISSARI							SUBS
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<u>ORGANO CENTRALE</u> - <i>Centrali organ</i>								
Ministero della Guerra :								
- Direzione Generale Servizi Commissariato	1	1	4	3	3	2	8	6
<u>ORGANI PERIFERICI</u> - <i>Subordinate organ</i>								
12 Direzioni Commissariato Regionali			12	18	30	48	36	
Commissioni acquisti, collaudi, spedizioni, ecc. (a disposizione Direzione Commissariato)					60			
12 Reparti di Sussistenza (Comando)								
13 Distaccamenti Portuali								
13 Depositi Speciali Viveri								
70 {	Magazzini Distribuzione viveri regionali							
	Magazzini Distribuzione for.e comb.reg.li							
	Magazzini Distribuzione viv.for.e combu-							
	stibili presidieri							
12 Panifici Militari								7
8 Depositi speciali vestiario misto (Cont/te)								
2 Depositi speciali vestiario ital. (Isole)								
12 Depositi materiali da riattare								
6 Depositi materiali da riattare								

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COMMISSARIATO					AMMINISTRAZIONE								ALTRE ARMI E CORPI					TRUPPA					
COMMISSARI					SUSISTENZA																		
Colon- nel- li	Ten- Col.	Mag- gio- ri	Capi- tani	Su- bal- terri	Ten- Col.	Mag- gio- ri	Capi- tani	Su- bal- terri	Ten- Col.	Mag- gio- ri	Capi- tani	Su- bal- terri	Colon- nel- li	Ten- Col.	Mag- gio- ri	Capi- tani	Su- bal- terri	Mare- scial- li	Serg. Magg. Serg.	Cap.1 Magg. Cap.1			
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
		2			2	1			1	8	7	9	8	67	
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13 Distaccamenti Portuali

13 Depositi Speciali Viveri

70 { Magazzini Distribuzione viveri regionali
Magazzini Distribuzione for.ecomb.reg.li
Magazzini Distribuzione viv.for.e combu-
stibili presidiari

12 Panifici Militari

2 Depositi speciali vestiario misto(Cont/te)

2 Depositi speciali vestiario ital.(Isole)

12 Depositi materiali da riattare

9 Laboratori vestiario con lavanderia }
9 Laboratori vestiario }

12 Depositi speciali casermaggio

Totali organico fisso

Ufficiali per commissioni

A disposizione per eventuali im-
pieghi e come riserva

Totali

1	1	16	1	213	32	56	42
					60		
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1					232		
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									10	10	10	40	90
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													60
									12	12	50	190	288
									355	471	736	2030	
26				4				826		2766			
								3592		4239			

DIVISIONE COMMISSARIATOSUSSISTENZA

1. It is understood that S.M.R.E. have imposed a ceiling of 2,500 personnel for the Commissariato services and that this ceiling is to be reduced to 2,000, effective August 5th.
2. It is considered that such numbers of personnel are totally inadequate to maintain the Commissariato service of the Italian Army, now or later, and that insistence on such a ceiling presages a breakdown in these services.
3. It is not considered advisable to take a short term view in this matter. It is reasonable to suppose that the northward advance will proceed with rapidity when the Gothic line is broken and unless the Divisione Commissariato are provided now with the reasonable minimum personnel to assure the considerable additional commitments resulting from the advance, the Divisione will be faced with an impossible task.
4. It is, further, not an uncommon feature to undervalue the importance of the Commissariato services until somewhat late in the day. In the Italian Army, it is not improbable that this feature is more prominent than usual and for this reason it is considered unwise to leave decision in the hands of S.M.R.E.
5. In considering this matter therefore, requirements for Divisione Commissariato (Sussistenza) have been based on eventual minimum needs for a liberated Italy in order to put into the hands of Divisione Commissariato now, the material with which to build their portion of the Administrative machine. By so doing we shall produce something approaching stability in the one machine which must continue to function, under all conditions of flux and instability in the remainder of the Italian Army.
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Regional HQs.

I have reduced these to 12
in number, each comprising
20 Officers and 30 O.Ns. giving
a total of 240

c. Sussistenza Comenicos F522

These have also been reduced to 12 in number and cut in strength. Each now comprises of 2 Officers and 18 S.As. giving a total of

d. Bakterien

There are 13 and I have cut each to comprise a supervisory staff only 2 Officers and 3 O.As. giving a total of

$$\begin{array}{r} 26 \\ \underline{345} \\ 39 \end{array}$$

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Totals carried forward

Other Parties 625

Office
345

I consider a minimum of 13
will be necessary, each comprising
3 Officers and 30 O.Ns. giving
a total of

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I consider a minimum of 70 will be necessary, each consisting 2 officers and 18 O.Rs. giving a total of

4260

I consider 45 will be necessary each comprising 2 Officers and 45 G.Rs. giving a total of

225

2196

The foregoing are bare establishments only. Bare account must be taken of sickness, etc., and provision made accordingly. I suggest 6% be added, giving, and making a total of

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h. In addition there are certain Army factories which may be expected to be put into limited production when liberated. These can be run with a minimum nucleus of Italian Army personnel as managers and supervisors. It is for consideration whether the Divisions Commissariato should not be allotted a small pool of personnel for this purpose. I would suggest 20 Officers and 100 O.N., 20

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7. Notes on Para. 6.

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2648

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7. Notes on Para 6.

Para 6 a.	Handles Vivendi	} Divisione = Commissariato.
	Vestiaro	
	Castroaglio	
	Equipaggiamento	

Civilian clerical assistance to be employed to maximum extent. Military staff shown is small for the work involved.

Para 6 b.

The Regional HQ deals with all Commissariato aspects and includes Offices for effecting local purchases, supervision of contracts depots, barracks and barracks stores etc. The diversity of work, difficulties of communication, lack of transport for getting goods delivered etc., make it necessary for Officers frequently to be absent from the HQ for a considerable amount of the time.

It is a bystone of Italian Army administrative services and weakness here can produce only greater inefficiency.

Giving reasonable consideration to Italian methods and mentality in conjunction with the needs of the time I do not think the establishment is any more than adequate.

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Para 6 c.

These small units are parents to Regional HQs and deal with all questions of pay, subsistence, clothing etc. They are an integral part of the machine and as cut in strength by me are felt to be just capable of carrying out their job.

Para 6 e.

The establishment of these Bulk Depots, which may hold in excess of 6000 tons of supplies, is approximately that of a British D.I.D. normally expecting to feed only 7,500 men.

I do not think it is excessive.

Para 6 f.

Establishment is based on two sections only of a British D.I.D. In view of tonnages held, number of units to be served, etc., it is a working minimum.

8. If the foregoing proposals are considered a reasonable approach to the problem it is suggested S.M.R.E. be instructed to carry them into effect at an early date.

9. To the foregoing must be added requirements for Vestiari, Casernaggio and Equipaggiamento, presently being dealt with by Lt.Col. Shute, in order to arrive at the total needs for Divisional Commissariato.

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To A/2 W/E (COMMISSARIATO directly under control
of M. of W exclusive of Guards & Gendarmes 2)

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CLOTHING

8 LARGE DEPOTS handling Allied
& Italian Clothing

2 LARGE DEPOTS handling Italian
Clothing only

8 SORTING & CLASSIFICATION
DEPOTS (RSDs)

18 REPAIR SHOPS including
including haversacks

DISTRICT HQ
MINISTRY OF WAR }

INSPECTORATE

BARRACK STORES

12 DEPOTS

OFFICERS	SENIOR NCOs	JUNIOR NCOs & ORs
20	15	85
5	3	20
20	30	90
40	55	240
included in Vicos figure provided by S.T.		
65	103	435
E519		
12	24	60
97	127	495

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included in V. 1000
figure provided by S.T.

65 103 435

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12 24 60

47 127 495

13 23 55

110 150 550

BARRACK STORES

12 DEPOTS

CONTINGENCIES

At present General Pelligrin says it is not the intention to employ military tradesmen such as Soldier Shoemakers & Tailors in the Repair Shops. The possible reversion of this policy requires careful consideration before it is agreed. Up to 600 Soldier tradesmen would be required properly to duplicate the civilian workers in the Repair Shops.

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M.H. Hunter
Lt Col.

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