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Feb. - July 1945

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Fl: Bari 13069

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Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces
BARI Sector - 27 July to 2 Aug 45.

MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
C/o 54 Area, C.M.F.

ST/10/1

24 July 45.

S.T.
KRN 21/7

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To: HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units) 197.

MMIA.
26 July
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Reference your 8/74/1 dated 19 July 45.

1. Please may the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces for the above period be carried out as follows.

2. Total number of Rations required 7 x 75,000 = 525,000, breakdown as under:

(a) Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces at Brindisi, for period 6 - 20 Aug. inclusive, based on strength of 13,000. 15 x 13,000 Rations = 195,000 complete rations. To be loaded ex 28 B.S.D., BRINDISI. Italian Army representative to be present at point of acceptance. It would be appreciated if transport to convey these supplies ex B.S.D. to Italian Dist. Depot, BRINDISI could be provided, as previously. Suggested dates of loading: 2, 3, 4 Aug. 45.

(b) Maintenance of Italian Navy, TARANTO, It has now been ascertained that sufficient stocks are held in the Navy depot at TARANTO to allow for the suspension of the Navy weekly pack until 6 Aug. 45, ex 28 B.S.D., BRINDISI. In order to balance out these surplus items, you are requested to load the following only, for the period 6 - 12 Aug. incl.: Flour 70,000 Rations 6282
Pepper 147,000 Rations
Tnd Cheese 51,000 Rations
balance of the items will be despatched to Italian Army Depot, BARI, together with remainder of rations outstanding for the period. Italian Navy and Army representatives are requested to be present at point of acceptance, namely 28 B.S.D., BRINDISI. Suggested date of loading: 3 Aug.

E.L. Mann-Mason
Capt RASC
for Senior LO
Eastern Italy

Copy to: Dir. Comm/to 9 Terr HQ
HQ, MMIA

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SUBJECT:- Supplies Method of Acceptance.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182
29 July 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

1. Confirming conversation of today's date BEAR-PENROSE speaking. It is hoped to complete Stage 1 as laid down in AFHQ/2554/Q/Maint dated 15 June, in the very near future. Arrangements have been made for the setting up of all the distribution depots originally mentioned in our ST/182 dated 28 June together with two additional depots at ANCONA and FORLI.

2. Bulk Depots have been found except on the N.E. coast where we await a decision re the release of the premises formerly occupied by 44 B.S.D.

3. In conformity with the policy of making the handling and distribution of rations a completely Italian responsibility and to avoid the necessity of having to install additional S & T officers and staff to supervise the running of each of the new Bulk Depots, it will be necessary to depart slightly from the previous procedure, both in the method of acceptance of rations from Allied Depots and in the submission of various returns used for planning maintenance.

4. If an amicable agreement can be reached between B.S.D. commanders and their Italian opposite numbers commanding the Italian Bulk Depot whereby the Allied Depot Commander will accept the discrepancy vouchers rendered by the Italian Depot Commander and adjust physically without the necessity of an S & T officer of this HQ having to adjudicate then this would reduce the necessity of additional officers. It is of course understood that any serious deficiency would have to be investigated as heretofore.

5. If an instruction on the above lines can be issued by you to B.S.D. Commanders it would cover them and we could judge the results of a policy of putting more reliance on the Italian Army.

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Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

JWRP/gmc

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INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM
ECONOMIC SECTION

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T5100/B/ES

17 July 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER:

Subject: Requirements for Italian Army.

1. I have informed Colonel Miln, Log Plans, G-3, AFHQ, of the following food import requirements to support the Italian Army (140,000) and the Carabinieri (65,000), fulfilment of which would avoid impairment to the civilian ration scale.

	Tons Per Annum		
	Italian Army (140,000)	Carabinieri (65,000)	Total
Flour	25,000	11,600	36,600
Dried Vegetables	2,800	1,300	4,100
Sugar	1,600	742	2,342
Pepper	8	4	12
Coffee	800	400	1,200

2. For clothing and shoes the following are the raw material requirements for the Italian Army based on initial equipment and one year's maintenance.

	Tons Per Annum
Shoddy	1,472
Cotton	396
Virgin Wool	2,045
Leather	1,000

3. I told him that the computed POL requirement for the Italian Army is 1,425,000 gallons (Imp) per month. His attention was invited to the fact that the computation was on a manpower basis which is not satisfactory to PUTSIC but is the best basis MMIA can use at the present time because of the lack of information on vehicles.

4. Colonel Miln was told of the inadequacy of rubber generally, but further informed that vehicular figures are so indefinite that we are unable to project requirements for rubber at this time.

/s/ Charles W. Walton
CHARLES W. WALTON
Colonel, A.C.
Chief Supply Division

cc: Acting Vice President
Directors, Food, Industry, Commerce S/Cs
MMIA
Col. Miln, G-3, Log Plans, AFHQ

S & T, MMIA.

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Italian Base Packs

HQ 22 CRASC (Sup Sub) [illegible]
8/74/1 [illegible]

27 BSD

Copy to:- DST AFHQ
ADST Land Forces Sub Commission AC., MMLA ROME
MMLA LO 54 Area
28 BSD
46 BSD
CCO/DSI
File 8/74. 8/73. 8/73/1.

1. Further to this HQ letter 8/74/1 of 2 July 45.

2. From inclusive 20 July 45, Italian Base Packs will be loaded in accordance with the following instructions.

3. Period 20 - 26 July 45 both dates inclusive.

27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 25000 rations, as convenient during the period.

Breakdown

Flour	623437½ lbs	P.B.L.	6562½ lbs
Vegs Dehy	32812½ lbs	Coffee	1640[illegible] lbs
Tomato Paste	1640[illegible] lbs	Sardines	21875 lbs
Td Cheese	32812½ lbs	Sugar	32812½ lbs
Salmon M.R.	6562½ lbs	Herrings	1312[illegible] lbs
P.Meat	49218¾ lbs	Pepper	164 lbs 1 oz

4. The above breakdown is based on a daily strength of 75000, i.e. Navy 43000, Army 32000.

5. Signal advice of all despatches to MMLA LO 54 Area.

6. Further instructions regarding the loading of these packs from 27 July 45 onwards will be issued as early as possible.

Navy 43000
MMA 32000

see (200)
Yours (202)

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Lieut-Col.,
22 C.,R.A.S.C. (Sup Sub).

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5. Signal advice of all despatches to MMIA LO 54 Area.

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Army 43000
Navy 32000

Yours (200)
Yours (202)

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Lieut-Col.,
22 C.,R.A.S.C. (Supplies).

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Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

57.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(MMIA) c/o HQ 5A Area

Ref: ST/10/1
17 July 45

To:- 22 GRASC.(Sup Units)

1. Owing to the fact that the Italian Navy Commissariat, TARANTO, hold a surplus of all items of the ration scale, the Weekly pack ex ESD, BRINDISI, for the period 19 - 25 July will be suspended, for readjustment.

2. You are therefore requested to dispatch the daily pack for Italian Armed Forces for this period, based on 75000 rations, into Italian Army Depot, BARI.

3. Further instructions regarding the renewal of the Navy Pack, and the maintenance of Italian Army Depot at BRINDISI, for period 6 -21 August, will follow, when the surpluses held by Italian Navy have been determined, in the course of the next few days.

E. L. Mervin-Mason Capt
for Senior MMIA LO
Eastern Italy

Copy to:- HQ MMIA
Navy Sub Commission
Dir. Gen. Comm. 9 Terr HQ
Italian Navy Commissariat, TARANTO.

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DAOS KRN 23/7

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SUBJECT:- Accounting for Italian Provided Items.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/402

10 July 45.

Ministry of War.

1. Instructions have been issued to all British Supply installations receiving supplies (Italian Provided Items) from Italian Bulk Food Depots will be responsible for agreement and acceptance of the supplies at the weights consigned, and the conversion to the accounting units below. 100% checks should be carried out where possible as once acceptance is made, discrepancies, with the exception of those on Wine in R.C.Ws, cannot be referred to Italian Base Depots.

2. The units of accounting will be as follows:-

Olive Oil	=	lbs
Nuts	=	"
Salt	=	"
Wine	=	litres
Matches	=	matches
Cigarettes	=	kilos (1000 pieces per kilo).

3. The above information is forwarded for your information.

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Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KRN/gsc

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
GT/1 C2

July 45.

MMIA LO's:
NAPLES DANT
FLORENCE (2) PBS
1 DISTRICT M.S. TRAIN(S) for Milan, Turin, Genoa.

SUBJECT:- Accounting for Italian Provided Items by British Depots.

1. The attached letter AFHQ/19/29/SPG(A) of 7 July 45 is self-explanatory.

2. This data is passed to you for your information and guidance, concerning any releases of Italian Provided Items released from Italian Food Supply Depots to British Supply Depots.

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Lt.Col. GT 276 C.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KRN/gmc

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Accounting for Italian provided items.

AFHQ/19/29/STS(d)

Tel: Freedom 217
(2 rings)

7 July 45.

1. R.A.S.C. depots receiving supplies initially from Italian Base Depots will be responsible for agreement and acceptance of the supplies at the weights consigned, and the conversion to the accounting units below. 100% checks should be carried out where possible as once acceptance is made, discrepancies, with the exception of those on Wine in R.C.'s, cannot be referred to Italian Depots.

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Olive Oil	-	lbs
Nuts	-	"
Salt	-	"
Wine	-	litres
Matches	-	boxes
Cigarettes	-	kilos (1000 pieces per kilo).

/s/ ? ? ? ? ? Col.
for Major General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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DISTRIBUTION:-

DDST Eighth Army

Copy to:- DDST No. 3 District
ADST PAAC

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2. The units of accounting will be as follows:-

Olive Oil	-	lbs
Fats	-	"
Salt	-	"
Wine	-	litres
Matches	-	boxes
Cigarettes	-	kilos (1000 pieces per kilo).

/s/ ? ? ? ? ? Col.
for Major General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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DISTRIBUTION:-

DDST Eighth Army
DDST No. 1 District
DDST No. 2 District
HQ, 13 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ, 14 CRASC (Supply Units)

Copy to:- DDST No. 3 District
ADST RAAC
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units)

DDST 15 Army Group
'Q' Maint
Financial Adviser (Br)
Comdt. RASC Training Depot, CMP
Comdt. 'B' RASC Mob Centre, CMP
No. 1 Supply Depot Inspectorate
ADST M.M.I.A.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH.

SUBJECT:- Accounting for Italian provided items.

AFHQ/19/29/ST6(d)

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Tel: Freedom 217
(2 rings)

7 July 1945.

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Nuts	-	"
Salt	-	"
Wine	-	litres
Matches	-	boxes
Cigarettes	-	kilos (1000 pieces per kilo).

J. Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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DDST Eighth Army
DDST No. 1 District
DDST No. 2 District
HQ, 13 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ, 14 CRASC (Supply Units)

Copy to:- DDST No. 3 District
ADST RAAC
HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units)

DDST 15 Army Group
'Q'(Maint)
Financial Adviser (Br)
Comdt. RASC Training Depot, C&F

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

DISTRIBUTION:-

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DDST No. 1 District
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HQ, 13 CRASC (Supply Units)
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Copy to:- DDST No. 3 District
ADST RAAC
HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units)

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No. 1 Supply Depot Inspectorate
ADST M.M.I.A.

ADST RAAC

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Italian Base Packs

S & T, MMIA.

HQ 2d JRASC (Sup Units) CMF
8/74/1
2 July 45

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27 BSD
28 BSD

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ADST Land Forces Sub Commission AC., MMIA, ROME
MMIA LO 54 Area
Mov Brindisi
46 BSD
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File 8/74. 8/73. 8/73/1.

1. Further to this HQ letter 8/74/1 of 29 June 45.

2. From inclusive 6 July 45, Italian Base Packs will be loaded in accordance with the following instructions.

3. Period 6 - 12 July 45 both dates inclusive.

(a) 28 BSD will consign by rail to DIREZZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE, MARITTIMO DI TARANTO, REPARTO VIVERI, 360000 rations. Pack will be loaded on 4 July 45 and a representative of the Italian Army will take over and sign for the pack as it is being loaded at 28 BSD.

Breakdown

Flour	427500 lbs	P.B.L.	45000 lbs
Vege Dehy	22500 lbs	Coffee	11250 lbs
Tomato Paste	11250 lbs	Sardines	15000 lbs
Td Cheese	22500 lbs	Sugar	22500 lbs
Salmon M.R.	4500 lbs	Herrings	9000 lbs
P.Meat	33750 lbs	Pepper	112½ lbs

(b) 27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, RIMINI, 165000 rations, as convenient during the period.

Breakdown

Flour	195937½ lbs	P.B.L.	20625 lbs
Vege Dehy	10312½ lbs	Coffee	5156¼ lbs
Tomato Paste	5156¼ lbs	Sardines	6875 lbs
Td Cheese	10312½ lbs	Sugar	10312½ lbs
Salmon M.R.	2062½ lbs	Herrings	4125 lbs
P.Meat	15468¾ lbs	Pepper	51 lbs 9 ozs

4. Period 13 - 19 July 45 both dates inclusive

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(a) 28 BSD will consign by rail to DIREZZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE, MARITTIMO DI TARANTO, REPARTO VIVERI, 210000 rations. Pack will be loaded on 10 July 45 and a representative of the Italian Army will take over and sign for the pack as it is being loaded at 28 BSD.

Breakdown

Flour	249375 lbs	P.B.L.	26250 lbs
Vege Dehy	13125 lbs	Coffee	6562½ lbs

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Vegs Dehy	22500 lbs	Coffee	11250 lbs
Tomato Paste	11250 lbs	Sardines	15000 lbs
Td Cheese	22500 lbs	Sugar	22500 lbs
Salmon M.R.	4500 lbs	Herrings	9000 lbs
P.Meat	33750 lbs	Pepper	112½ lbs

(b) 27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, RIMINI, 165000 rations, as convenient during the period.

Breakdown

Flour	195937½ lbs	P.B.L.	20625 lbs
Vegs Dehy	10312½ lbs	Coffee	5156¼ lbs
Tomato Paste	5156¼ Lbs	Sardines	6875 lbs
Td Cheese	10312½ lbs	Sugar	10312½ lbs
Salmon M.R.	2062½ lbs	Herrings	4125 lbs
P.Meat	15460¾ lbs	Pepper	51 lbs 9 ozs

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4. Period 13 - 19 July 45 both dates inclusive

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Breakdown

Flour	249375 lbs	P.B.L.	26250 lbs
Vegs Dehy	13125 lbs	Coffee	6562½ lbs
Tomato Paste	6562½ lbs	Sardines	8750 lbs
Td Cheese	13125 lbs	Sugar	13125 lbs
Salmon M.R.	2625 lbs	Herrings	5250 lbs
P.Meat	19687½ lbs	Pepper	65 lbs 10 ozs

(b) 28 BSD will consign to Italian Army Depot, 530 Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI, 24000 rations over period. Representative from Italian Depot will take over and sign for the pack as it is being loaded, and will liaise with 28 BSD as regards loading dates.

Breakdown.

Flour	294500 lbs	P.B.L.	31000 lbs
Vegs Dehy	15500 lbs	Coffee	7750 lbs
Tomato Paste	7750 lbs	Sardines	10333½ lbs
Td Cheese	15500 lbs	Sugar	15500 lbs
Salmon M.R.	3100 lbs	Herrings	6200 lbs
P.Meat	23250 lbs	Pepper	77½ lbs

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4. (c) 27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 67000 rations, as convenient during the period.

Breakdown

Flour	7956 2½ lbs	P.D.L.	837½ lbs
Vegs Dehy	4187½ lbs	Coffee	2093¾ lbs (2093 ¾)
Tomato Paste	2093¾ lbs	Sardines	2791 2/3 lbs
Tā Cheese	4187½ lbs	Sugar	4187½ lbs
Salmon M.R.	837½ lbs	Herrings	1675 lbs
P.Meat	6281¼ lbs	Pepper	20 lb 15 ozs

5. The above breakdowns are based on a daily strength of 75000, i.e. Navy 43000, Army 32000.

6. Signal advice of all despatches to HQ L. LO 54 Area.

7. Further instructions regarding the loading of these packs from 20 July 45 onwards will be issued as early as possible.

8. Will Mov Brindisi please arrange rail tonnage Brindisi - Taranto as follows:-

July 4th 310 tons July 10th 130 tons

Lieut-Col.,
22 C.,R.A.S.C. (Sup Units).

Kenya. Veg. OK. see folio 182 3183. QL. 4/7

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Navy - TARANTO.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

3 July 45.

MMIA IO 54 AREA.

Reference your No. ST/10/1 dated 30 June 45.

1. Attention is drawn to this HQ letter relative to the inspection of stocks in Italian Royal Navy Depots, forwarded under this office No. ST/179 dated 2 July 45 from which it will be seen that facilities will be given to MMIA IO's to ascertain the number of personnel victualled, and to inspect Depot holdings of supplies against these figures.

2. From these inspections, you will be enabled to effect an accurate adjustment in subsequent weekly peices.

JS/gmc

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

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INTERNAL:- ST/179

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Tel: Bari 13869

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Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Navy,
TARANTO

MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
C/o 54 Area, C.M.F.
ST/10/1
30 June 45.

To: A D S T, HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)

1. Repeated attempts have been made by this office to obtain a certified statement from Italian Navy, TARANTO, in regard to surpluses held in their depots,- up to the present time, without satisfaction. 189

2. 22 CRASC (Supply Units) have, therefore, been asked to despatch a weekly pack ex 28 BSD, Brindisi (based on strength of 30,000, as set out in our letter ST/10/1 of even date, (copy to you).

3. Upon receipt of the above mentioned certified statement of rations held by Italian Navy at TARANTO, an accurate adjustment can be effected in subsequent weekly packs.

4. Please may steps be taken with Navy Sub Commission to ensure that these necessary adjustments can be made as soon as possible.

Copy to 191

E.L.S. Mmm. Maggs.
Capt. RASC
for Senior LO
Eastern Italy

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"S & T" MMIA.

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Liaison Office,
Land Forces Sub-Comm,
A.C.(M.M.I.A.),
Eastern Italy.

Subject:- Italian Base Packs (1)

ST/10/1.

To:- 22 CRASC (Supply Units).

30th June, 1945.

Reference this office letter, ST/10/1 dated 24 June, '45, (not to all addressees), 187

1. You are requested to issue instructions for the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces, for the period 6--20 July, '45, as set out in the schedule attached.

2. Please inform this office of dates of despatch, so that representatives of the Italian Army and Navy may be instructed to be present.

E.L. Mmen-Mann
Capt., R.A.S.C.,
for Senior Liaison Officer,
M.M.I.A. Eastern Italy.

Copies to:-
ADST, Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C., MMIA
Dir.Gen.Comm., 9 Terr.H.Q.
Navy Sub-Commission, A.C.

"S & T, MMIA.

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HQ ST Adv

VBF Bari

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Period	Total N° of Rations available	Type of Pack & number of rations to be despatched	Actual dates required	For Despatch from	To	Remarks
6 - 13 July Incl.	7 days rations at 75,000 daily = 525,000	Weekly Pack based on 30,000 rations daily and 30,000 x 5 days reserve + = 360,000 rations	Before 6 July	ex 28 BSD BRINDISI (thru Italian Army)	Italian Navy TARANTO	+ As allowed to be held under HQ MMIA Let ST/6 of 20 June 45
		165,000 rations		ex 46 BSD BARI	Italian Army Depot, BARI	
14 + 20 July Incl.	7 days rations at 75,000 daily = 525,000	Weekly pack based on 30,000 rations daily = 210,000 rations	Before 14 July	ex 28 BSD BRINDISI (thru Italian Army)	Italian Navy TARANTO	
		15,500 x 16 days = 248,000 rations	Before 19 July	ex 28 BSD BRINDISI	Italian Army Depot BRINDISI	For Maintenance of Iti. Navy; Army & Air Force during period 21 Jul-5 Aug.
		Balance = 67,000 rations		ex 46 BSD BARI	Italian Army Depot BARI	

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Italian Base Packs

HQ 22 CRASC (Sup Units) CMF
8/74/1 29 June 45

27 BSD
28 BSD

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ADST Land Forces Sub-Commission AC., MMIA., ROME.
MMIA LO 54 Area
46 BSD
CCO/BSI
File 8/74: 8/73: 8/73/1.

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1. Further to this HQ letter 8/74/1 of 21 June 45 as amended by signal 8/74/1 of 24 June 45.

2. 27 BSD will add to breakdown for 1 July 45:-

Flour 14062 lbs (in lieu Macaroni)

Period 2 - 5 July 45 both dates inclusive.

(a) 28 BSD will consign to Italian Army Depot, 530 Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI, 232500 rations over period. Representative from MMIA will take over and sign for the pack as it is being loaded, and will liaise with 28 BSD as regards loading dates.

Breakdown

Flour	27609 3/4 lbs	Td Cheese	14531 1/2 lbs
P.D.L.	29062 1/2 lbs	Sugar	14531 1/4 lbs
Vegs Dehy	14531 1/2 lbs	Salmon M.R.	2906 1/2 lbs
Coffee	7265 5/8 lbs	P.Meat	21796 7/8 lbs
Tomato Paste	7265 5/8 lbs	Pepper	72 lbs 10 1/2 ozs
Sardines	9687 1/2 lbs	Herrings	5812 1/2 lbs

(b) 27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 67500 rations over period (but complete breakdown may be loaded in one day).

Breakdown

Flour	80156 1/4 lbs	Td Cheese	4218 3/4 lbs
P.D.L.	8437 1/2 lbs	Sugar	4218 1/4 lbs
Vegs Dehy	4218 3/4 lbs	Salmon M.R.	843 3/4 lbs
Coffee	2109 3/8 lbs	P.Meat	6328 1/8 lbs
Tomato Paste	2109 3/8 lbs	Pepper	21 lbs 1 1/2 ozs
Sardines	2812 1/2 lbs	Herrings	1687 1/2 lbs

4. The above breakdowns are based on a daily strength of 75000 i.e. Navy 43000, Army 32000.

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5. Signal advices of all despatches to MMIA LO 54 Area.

6. Further instructions regarding the loading of these packs from 6 July 45 onwards will be issued as early as possible.

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Period 2 - 5 July 45 both dates inclusive.

(a) 28 BSD will consign to Italian Army Depot, 530 Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI, 232500 rations over period. Representative from MMIA will take over and sign for the pack as it is being loaded, and will liaise with 28 BSD as regards loading dates.

Breakdown

Flour	27609 3/4 lbs	Td Cheese	1453 1/2 lbs
P.D.L.	2906 2/4 lbs	Sugar	1453 1/4 lbs
Vegs Dehy	1453 1/4 lbs	Salmon M.R.	290 6/7 lbs
Coffee	726 5/8 lbs	P.Meat	2179 6/8 lbs
Tomato Paste	726 5/8 lbs	Pepper	72 lbs 10 1/2 ozs
Sardines	968 1/2 lbs	Herrings	581 2/2 lbs

(b) 27 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 67500 rations over period (but complete breakdown may be loaded in one day).

Breakdown

Flour	3015 6/4 lbs	Td Cheese	421 6/8 lbs
P.D.L.	843 2/2 lbs	Sugar	421 8/8 lbs
Vegs Dehy	421 8/8 lbs	Salmon M.R.	84 3/8 lbs
Coffee	210 9/8 lbs	P.Meat	632 6/8 lbs
Tomato Paste	210 9/8 lbs	Pepper	21 lbs 1 1/2 ozs
Sardines	281 2/2 lbs	Herrings	163 7/2 lbs

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Lt + Lieut-Col.,
22 C.,R.A.S.C. (Sup Units).

S & T. MMIA.

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Tel-Bari11468.

"S & T. MMIA.

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Subject:- Italian Base Packs.

Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm.,
A.C.(MMIA) c/o 64 Area.

Ref. ST/10/1.

24 June 45.

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26/6.

To:- 22 C.R.A.S.C.(Supply Units). 184

1. Confirming verbal agreement of this morning's date, your letter S/74/1 dated 21 June 45 is now regarded as cancelled, and the following arrangements will operate.

(a) Daily pack of 75,000 Rations(based on 43000 for Italian Navy, and 32000 for Italian Army & Air Force) will be loaded for Italian Army Depot, BARI w.e.f. 24 June, up to and including 1 July 45.

(b) For period 2-6 July inclusive,(4 x 75,000 rations):

232,500* Rations to be loaded ex 28 BSD, BRINDISI for Italian Army Dist Depot, BRINDISI,(c/o Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI).
* required for maintenance of Italian Army and Air Force during period 6-20 July.

67,500 Rations (Balance of above 4 Days x 75000) to be loaded for Italian Army Depot, BARI.

2. Further instructions will be issued later regarding the maintenance of the Italian Navy TARANTO by means of 4 weekly packs ex 28 BSD BRINDISI.

E.L. Mason Mason
Capt.
for Senior MMIA LO.
Eastern Italy.

Copies to:-
ADST Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.(MMIA).
Dir. Gen. Comm. 9 Terr. HQ.

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KRN 27/6

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Subject:- Italian Base Packs.

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Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm.,
A.C.(MMIA) c/o 54 Area.

Ref. ST/10/1.

24 June 45.

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232,500* Rations to be loaded ex 28 BSD, BRINDISI for Italian Army Dist Depot, BRINDISI, (c/o Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI).
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E.L. Nunn Major
Capt.
for Senior MMIA LO.
Eastern Italy.

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TRANSLATION. Lt. W.R. Trevelyan

Translated by: _____

FROM : Ministry of War

SMIAL No _____

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Date : 25 June 45

Ref No : 11885/S/1

Date : 20 June

In reply to : ST/102 of 12 June

TO : MMIA
(Info/~~xxxxxx~~)

TO : Commissariats at Bari, Rome, Naples, Florence, Palermo, Cagliari, Catanzaro.
INFO : All Territorial Commands, HQ 205, 209, 210, 227, 228, 230, 231 Divs.
Italian Command 212, CA Office SMRE, All Combat Groups, Cesano.

SUBJECT:- Tomato Paste (Cirio)

MMIA has informed us that tins of Tomato Paste at 2 lbs net, owing to the advent of hot weather, are liable to a formation of gas producing domed ends.

This paste is perfectly fit for issue and consumption, provided that there is no evidence of this doming!

When issues of gas formations are verified, the tins will be disposed of in accordance with the normal procedure laid down for bad food.

It is added that the paste - question has been recently issued to Italian depots from 14 and 22 CRASC, and is marked as follows :

"Pomodoro concentrato, 32% 1', CIRIO, P.Apr. 2 lbs netto."

sd/ Dr. Lauri
for Gen FELLIGRA.

"S & T, MMIA.
Recd 25 June
File ST/102

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DADS KRN n/c
SCS n/c

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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by: A.W.R. Lendyan.

Date : 25 June

FROM : Ministry of War.

Ref No : 11885/S/1

Date : 20 June

TO : MMIA

In reply to : ST/102 & of 12 June

(Info/~~Action~~) Ig. Commissariato at Bari, Rome, Naples, Florence, Palermo, Cagliari, Catanzaro

Info all Territorial Command, HQ 205, 209, 210, 227, 228, 230, 231 Bus

SUBJECT:- Italian Command 212, C.S. Ufficio SOIRE, All Combat Gruppo, Cesano.

Ismato paste (Cirio)

MMIA has informed us that 5ins of Ismato paste at 2 lbs net, owing to the advent of hot weather, are liable to a formation of gas producing domed ends.

This paste is perfectly fit for issue and consumption, provided that there is no evidence of this 'doming'.

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When cases of gas formations are verified, the 5ins will be disposed of in accordance with the normal procedure laid down for bad food.

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It is added that the parte - guarded
has been recently issued to Italian depot
Item 14 and 22 Case c, and is marked as
follows: "Pomodoro concentrato, 32% 1°, CIRIO,
P. Apr 2 lbs nette."

Signed Dr Lanni

per Ispettore.

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Pres.Gener.Serv.Comm/co e Amm/vi
. Divisione Sussistenze

n° 11885/S/1 di prot.

P.M.3800, li 20 giugno 1945

OGGETTO: Concentrato di pomodoro
Ditta CIRIO

ALLE DIREZ.DI COMB/TO DEI C/DI
MILIT.TERRIT/LI DI: ROMA = BARI
= NAPOLI = FIRENZE = PALERMO
ALLA SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMB/TO
MILIT. CAGLIARI
ALLA SEZIONE STACCATA DI COMB/TO
MILIT. CATANZARO

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA ALLIED FORCES SUB COMMISSION G.C.(M.M.I.A. ROMA
(Rif.f. n.ST/102 del 12 corrente)
AI COM/DI MIL.TERRIT/LI (tutti) LORO SEDI
AI C/DI DELLA 205^, 209^, 210^, 227^, 228^, 230^, 231^ DIVISIONE LORO SEDI
AI COM/DO ITALIANO 212 P.M.183
ALLO S.M.R.E. - Ufficio S.A. S E D E
AI C/DI DEI GRUPPI DI COMB/TO (TUTTI) LORO SEDI
AL CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO COMPLEMENTI PER G.C. CESANO

La Sottocommissione Alleata per l'Esercito comunica che il concentrato di pomodoro in barattoli da 2 libbre netto di produzione della Ditta CIRIO, a causa della stagione calda in corso, può dare origine a formazione di gas provocando il gonfiamento dei fondelli.

Detto concentrato è tuttavia perfettamente idoneo alla distribuzione ed al consumo, purchè non vi siano segni evidenti di tale "gonfiamento".

Verificandosi invece casi di formazioni di gas, le scatole dovranno essere scartate secondo la normale procedura provista per le avarie.

Per norma si soggiunge che il concentrato di che trattasi è stato recentemente distribuito ai magazzini italiani dal 14° e 22° C.R.A.S.C. ed è così contrassegnato: "Pomodoro concentrato, 32% 1^, CIRIO, P.Apt. 2 lbs netto".

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p.IL MINISTRO
f/to Polligra

p. c. c.
IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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p.IL MINISTRO
f/to Palligra

p. c. c.
IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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"S & T", MMIA.

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MMIA SIGNALS

(1) 27 (2) 22 (3) (4) (5) (7)

ST.

21 JUNE 45

Checked with Moorehead who said that Navy could not take any more ratings until about 1 July 45 (18X) 25/6 KRN.

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Ital[illegible] Base Packs

27 BSD
28 BSD
46 BSD

*S & T, MMIA.

Recd 20 June

File ST/102

S.T.

HQ 22 CRASC (Sup Units) CMF 184
8/74/1 21 June 45

Copy to:- DST AFHQ
ADST Land Forces Sub Commission AC, MMIA, ROME.
MMIA LO 54 Area
CCO/BSI
File 8/74. 8/73. 8/73/1.

ADST

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SAB S/KRN-25/6

1. Further to para 4 of this HQ letter 8/74/1 of 19 June 45.

2. From inclusive 24 June 45, Italian Base Packs will be loaded in accordance with the following instructions. Packs are based on a daily strength of:

Navy	43000
Army	32000

3. Period 24, 25 & 26 June 45

(a) 28 BSD will consign to DIREZZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITAIRE, MARITTIMO DI TARANTO, REPARTO VIVERI, 210000 rations, less P.Meat, Vegs Dehy, Tomato Paste and Pepper but including Macaroni. Pack will be loaded on 25 June 45 and a representative from MMIA will take over and sign for the pack as it being loaded at 28 BSD.

46 BSD 1/

Breakdown:

Flour	210000 lbs	P.B.L.	26250 lbs
Td Cheese	13125 lbs	Sugar	13125 lbs
Coffee	6562½ lbs	Macaroni	42187½ lbs

(b) 46 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot during above period 15000 rtns (balance of total daily pack at 75000 over period) less Macaroni, but including items not loaded on Italian Navy Pack referred to in (a) above.

Breakdown:

Flour	15000 lbs	P.B.L.	1875 lbs
Td Cheese	937½ lbs	Sugar	937½ lbs
Vegs Dehy	14062½ lbs	Salmon M.R.	2812½ lbs
Coffee	463⅜ lbs	P.Meat	21093¾ lbs
Tomato Paste	7031¼ lbs	Pepper	70 lbs 5 ozs
Sardines	9375 lbs	Herrings	5625 lbs

Period 27 - 30 June 45 (both dates inclusive)

46 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 75000 rations (less Macaroni) daily.

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Breakdown:

Flour	75000 lbs	Coffee	2343¾ lbs

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DI TARANTO, REPARTO VIVERI, 210000 rations, less P.Meat, Vegs Dehy, Tomato Paste and Pepper but including Macaroni. Pack will be loaded on 25 June 45 and a representative from MMLA will take over and sign for the pack as it being loaded at 28 BSD.

Breakdown:

Flour	210000 lbs	P.B.L.	26250 lbs
Td Cheese	13125 lbs	Sugar	13125 lbs
Coffee	6562½ lbs	Macaroni	42187½ lbs

(b) 46 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot during above period 15000 rtns (balance of total daily pack at 75000 over period) less Macaroni, but including items not loaded on Italian Navy Pack referred to in (a) above.

Breakdown:

Flour	15000 lbs	P.B.L.	1875 lbs
Td Cheese	937½ lbs	Sugar	937½ lbs
Vegs Dehy	14062½ lbs	Salmon M.R.	2812½ lbs
Coffee	468¾ lbs	P.Meat	21093¾ lbs
Tomato Paste	7031¼ lbs	Pepper	70 lbs 5 ozs
Sardines	9375 lbs	Herrings	5625 lbs

Period 27 - 30 June 45 (both dates inclusive) 6261

46 BSD will deliver to Italian Army Depot, BARI, 75000 rations (less Macaroni) daily.

Breakdown:

Flour	75000 lbs	Coffee	2343¾ lbs
Td Cheese	4687½ lbs	Pepper	23 lbs 7 ozs
P.Meat	7031¼ lbs	Salmon M.R.	937½ lbs
Sardines	3125 lbs	Herrings	1875 lbs
Sugar	4687½ lbs	Dehy Vegs	4687½ lbs
P.B.L.	9375 lbs	Tomato Paste	2343¾ lbs

Cancelled 18/6

5. Signal advice of all despatches to MMLA LO 54 Area.

6. Further instructions regarding the loading of these packs from the 1 July 45 onwards will be issued in due course.

× This ltr has been cancelled by Telephone Monckton 74/6

F Berry
Lieut-Col.,
22 C.,R.A.S.C. (Sup Units).

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Tel: Bari 13869

Subject:- Italian Base Packs

"S & T" MMIA.

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MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
C/o 54 Area, C.M.F.

ST/10/1

21 June 45.

To: A.D.S.T., HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm.
AC (MMIA)

Confirming telephone conversation (Majors NELSON-FOSSETT) of this morning's date.

1. Copy of memorandum passed to 22 CRASC regarding the maintenance of Italian Army and Navy is forwarded for your information.

2. These suggestions have been confirmed by telephone conversation (Capt MONCK-MASON-Lt BERRY) this morning, and 22 CRASC are understood to be making arrangements accordingly.

ELMM/baw

E.L. Monck-Mason
Capt RASC
For Senior L.O.
Eastern Italy

Subject: Memo on Italian Base Packs.

Liason Officer,
Land Forces Sub-Comm.,A.C.
M/L/I/A. 54 Area.

ST/10/1.

20 June, 1945.

To:- 22 C.R.A.S.C.
(Supply Units.)

Refernce your 8/74/1 dated 18 & 19 June,'45 respectively,

1. It is suggested that the following arrangements for the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces in this area be put into operation,w.e.f. 20 June,'45.

Period/Date.	Number and/or breakdown of RATIONS	Consigned to.	Despatched to.	Remarks.
20,21,22,23, June.	75,000 Daily.	Italian Army.	Italian Army Bulk Dep.BARI	
24,25,and 26, June.	210,000 Rations (30,000 x 7-days) LESS all P.Meat Deh.Veg. Tom.Paste Pepper.	Italian Army.	Italian Navy Taranto.	To include full ration of Pasta.
	15,000 Rations (balance of daily pack at 75,000) PLUS items not in--cluded in Navy shipment above.	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	
27,28,29,& 30 June.	75,000 Daily.	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	
1, 2, 3 July.	216,000 Rations (30,000 x 7-days) LESS 83,000 P.Meat all Deh.Veg. " Tom.Paste " Pepper.	Italian Army.	Italian Navy TARANTO.	Will include Flour in lieu of Pasta.
	133,000 Rations	Italian	Bulk Depot,	

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24,25,and 26 June.	210,000* Rations (30,000 x 7-days) LESS all P.Meat Deh.Veg. Tom.Paste Pepper.	Italian Army.	Italian Navy Taranto.	* To include full ration of Pasta.
	15,000 Rations (balance of daily pack at 75,000) PLUS items not in--cluded in Navy shipment above.	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	
27,28,29,& 30 June.	75,000 Daily.	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	
1, 2, 3 July.	210,000+ Rations (30,000 x 7-days) LESS 83,000 P.Meat all Deh.Veg. " Tom.Paste " Pepper.	Italian Army.	Italian Navy TARANTO.	+ Will include Flour in lieu of Pasta.
	15,000 Rations PLUS items not in--cluded in Navy shipment above.	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	
4, 5, 6 & 7 July.	75,000 Daily	Italian Army.	Bulk Depot, BARI.	

2. It is further suggested that, W.E.F. 8 July, 75,000 Daily Rations be broken down, as under, into 2 parts:-

Ex B.S.D. BARI. — Consigned to Italian Army, Bulk Depot, BARI. — 33,000 Rations Daily.

Ex B.S.D. BRINDISI — 42,000 Rations Daily. comprising:-
- 30,000 daily-Italian * Navy at TARANTO.
- 8,000 " at BRINDISI
- 4,000 daily-Italian Dist.Dep.BRINDISI

* To be despatched WEEKLY.

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3. This letter is purely in the form of a memorandum, and it is requested that any points regarding the fore-going, which may require clarification, may be taken up with this office immediately so that HQ,M.M.I.A. may be informed of these proposals, and your reactions to same.

E.L. Mann Mason

Capt., R/A.S.C.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A. 54 AREA.

20 June, 1945.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT: Maintenance Italian Armed Forces

AFHQ/G4/2/ST6(b)

Tel: Freedom 214.

19 June 1945

ST
21/6

H), 14 ORASC (Sup Units)
H), 22 ORASC (Sup Units)

Confirming telephone instruction today, include Dehydrated Vegetables in commodities being despatched to Base Italian Packs wef 19 June 45.

"S & T, MMIA.

Feed 21 June

Dis STI 102

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: ADST, MMIA - telephone conversation Nelson - Beck refers

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KRN 21/6

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
18 June 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- Ministry of War.
MMIA LO's:
NAPLES BARI

Reference telephone Majors HACK-NELSON this date.

1. This is to confirm request that the issue of Dehydrated Vegetables be resumed in the base packs ex 14 and 22 CRASC w.e.f. 19 June 45. for maintenance Italian Armed Forces.

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KRN/gmc

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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14 June 45

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Supplies, Transport, POL Requirements
for 10000 for 30 days.
Col 'Q'.

1. At Appendix 'A' are indicated requirements of rations by items, for a thirty (30) day period based on strength of 10,000 and calculated on the approved scale for Italian Armed Forces. All items of Part II of the ration can readily be found in Italy.

2. At Appendix 'B' are shown the average number of vehicles by types for 1,000 men held by the Italian Army (para b), the average P.O.L. requirements for month for 1,000 men (paras c, d, and e).

a. Figures have been shown separately in respect of Combat Groups (Colum II) and ITI-ITI units (Column III) since the proportion of vehicles to personnel in these two categories is widely divergent.

b. Figures do not include transport held by CC.RR., since P.O.L. in respect of these units is drawn from Italian civilian sources, under arrangements made by Public Safety Sub-Commission. Figures do not include Admin. Divs.

c. It has been assumed that no Gasoil (DERV) is required by Combat Groups.

KRN
Lt.Col.
A.D.S.T.
6255

KRN/gmac

"APPENDIX A"

SUPPLY OF RATIONS

1. Following represent requirements by items, for a thirty (30) day period based on a strength of 10,000 and calculated on the approved scale for Italian Armed Forces:-

Requirements 10,000 x 30 = 300,000 rations

PART I - Allied Component

Commodity	Scale	Amount (lbs)
Flour	15 oz.	281250
Veg, Dried	2 oz.	37500
Meat/Fish (Pres.)	3 oz.	56250
Cheese	1 oz.	18750
Sugar	1 oz.	18750
Macaroni	3 oz.	56250
Rice	1 oz.	18750
Veg, Dehyd	1 oz.	18750
Catsup	½ oz.	9375
Coffee	½ oz.	9375
Pepper	1/200 oz.	93.75

PART II - Italian Component

	Fruit, Fresh	4 oz.	75000
	Veg "	8 oz.	150000
	Oil, Olive	1 oz.	18750
	Nuts w/o shells	1½ oz.	28125
or	Nuts w/ shells	3 oz.	56250
	Salt	25 grams	15873 lbs
	Wine	¼ litre	150000 litres
(1)	Matches	40 matches per week	16000 bxs
	Soap	300 grams	5954 lbs
(2)	Cigarettes	5 cigs	1500000 cigs

NOTES.

(1) Issue of 100 matches (Italian)

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Complete	Scale	
Flour	15 ozs.	284250
Veg, Dried	2 ozs.	57000
Meat/Fish (Pres.)	3 ozs.	56250
Cheese	1 ozs.	18750
Sugar	3 ozs.	56250
Macaroni	1 ozs.	18750
Rice	1 ozs.	18750
Veg, Dehyd	½ ozs.	9375
Catsup	½ ozs.	9375
Coffee	1/200 ozs.	95.75
Pepper		

PART II - Italian Component

Fruit, Fresh	4 ozs.	75000
Veg , "	8 ozs.	150000
Oil, Olive	1 ozs.	18750
Nuts w/o shells	1½ ozs.	28125
or Nuts w/ shells	3 ozs.	56250
Salt	2½ grams	15873 lbs
Wine	¼ litre	150000 litres
(1) Matches	10 matches per week	16000 bxs
Soap	300 grams	660.8 lbs
(2) Cigarettes	5 cigs	1500000 cigs

NOTES.

(1) Boxes of 100 matches (Italian).
(2) Calculation does not include additional amount of cigarettes issued to Combat Groups, 'Army Area' troops, and Reinforcement Training Camp, Italian Combat Forces, Cassano. Approximately 28% increase would be required to meet additional issue of five (5) cigarettes.

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(I) APPENDIX "F".			(II) OVERSEAS
(a) Personnel W.E.			28185 (Tech Group)
(b) VEHICLES PER 10,000 MEN BASED ON WE/20		Motorcycles	455
		Cars	130
		Lond-Carriers	1300
		Specialised Vehs.	105
(c) P.O.L. EQUIPMENTS PER 10,000 MEN PER MONTH (30 Days) figures in Ms. Gallons.	based on vehicle WE/20 multiplied by factors as under :- M/C - 1 gall (US)/veh/~~day~~ Cars - 5 do do L/C - 8 do do	MT 80	281,000
		GASOIL (DERV)	-
(d)	based on 1/3 gall (MR) per man per day	MT 80	100,000
		GASOIL (DERV)	-
(e)	based on 1/2 gall (MR) per man per day for Gruppi and 1/4 gall (MR) per man per day ITI-ITI.	MT 80	130,000
		GASOIL (DERV)	-

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x "B".			III-VII	AVERAGES
		8865 (Gasoh Gravity)	70,865 (total)	
	Motorcycles	A55	107	284
	Cars	130	53	94
	Load-Carriers	1300	256	778
	Specialized Vehs.	105	18	61
tiplied	MF 80	281,000	40,966	171,225 (gallo. fuel.)
/Day do do	GASOIL (DERV)	-	20,433	
	MF 80	100,000	66,666	100,000 (gals. fuel.)
	GASOIL (DERV)	-	33,333	
r ton per l (HR) per	MF 80	150,000	30,000	112,500 (gals. fuels.)
	GASOIL (DERV)	-	25,000	

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SUBJECT: Provision of Tomato Paste for the Italian Armed Forces

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1/8-9
14 June 1945

TO : Q Maint AFHQ

1. Reference your AFHQ/2554/1/Q(Maint) of 9 June 1945.

2. Following conversations ADST MMIA and S & T AFHQ on 14 June 1945, it appears that provision of tomato paste as an Italian responsibility is not practicable, and that supply should continue as at present through S and T.

R.T.M. WAREHAM, Major
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

RTMW/ri
Copy to: ST

S & T. MMIA.

Recd 14 June

File ST/ 0102

AHB - KRM 6252/6

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SUBJECT:- Tomato Paste.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

12 June 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MMIA LO's:
FLORENCE NAPLES
BARI SARDINIA
SICILY

1. It is notified for your information and action as necessary, that Tomato Paste, now being issued packed by CIRIO, in tins of 2 lbs nett, owing to the advent of the hot season, may develope domed ends. This is caused by an accumulation of gas inside the cans.

2. This paste is perfectly fit for issue and consumption, provided there is no evidence of "dusing". Should instances occur of gas formation, however, the tins should be condemned under normal procedure.

3. Tomato Paste manufactured under this particular contract are stamped: "Pasolaro Concentrato, 32% 1A, CIRIO, F Apr 45, 2 lb nett".

4. Tomato Paste, of this description, has been issued from 14 and 22 CIRIO to Italian Army Depots.

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Lt.Col. RASC.
AD/T, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

JS/gmc

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH.

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S.T. 9/6

Subject:- Tomato Paste.

AFHQ/32/33/ST6(c).

Tel: FREEDOM 295.

4 June 45.

A.D.S.T.,
M.M.I.A.

Reference telephone conversation (Majors Sutton - Nelson).

It is confirmed that Tomato Paste will be accepted by you in 200 kilo barrels for Italian Armed Forces.

S & T. MMIA.
Recd 9 June
File ST/

ADST KRN 9/6

Major General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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D.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S & T BRANCH

Subject:- Issues of Tomato Paste

AFHQ/32/33/ST6(o)

Tel: FREEDOM 295

8 June 45

S. T.
9/6

DDST, Fifth Army.
DDST, Eighth Army Rear.
DDST, 1 District.
DDST, 2 District.
DDST, 3 District.
DDST, HQ, Land Forces, GREECE.

ADST, Rome Area Allied Command.
ADST, M.M.I.A.
OC, RASC, HQ BTNA.
OC, RASC, Corsica and Sardinia.
OC, RASC, 203 Sub-Area.
HQ, 13 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ, 14 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ, 20 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units).
ST, ML, HQ Albania.
ST, ML, HQ Jugoslavia.
DADST, Adm, Br, Allied Comm for Austria (Br Element).

S & T. MEDIA.
Read 9 June
File ST/ 102

Copy to:- DDST, 15 Army Group.
Senior WD Analyst.

1. Supplies of Tomato Paste packed by CIRIO under Contract AFST/77 in timplate cans of "kilo" size, each can holding 2 lb nett are now being issued. The cans are stamped as follows:- "Pomodoro Concentrato, 32% 1A, Cirio, P Apr 45, 2 lb nett".

2. Due to minor defects in manufacture and the advent of the hot season, a small proportion of the cans are becoming "swells" with domed ends. This is due to an accumulation of gas formed inside the cans. 6279

3. Provided the can ends are not domed, the Tomato Paste is quite wholesome and fit for issue. Cans with domed ends should not, however, be consumed, but should be condemned within warranty in the normal manner.

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HQ, 14 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ, 20 CRASC (Supply Units).
HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units).
ST, ML, HQ Albania.
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Major General,
Director of Supplies & Transport.

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SUBJECT:- Closure of No. 13 Bulk Food Depot.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
SZ/53/20

6 June 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MMIA LO 5th ARMY (Your letter SZ/2 of 1 June 45 refers).
Navy Sub Commission AC.
Air Forces Sub Commission AC.

Further to our letter SZ/53/20 of 2[illegible] May 45.

1. Certain difficulties have arisen in connection with the disposition of stock caused by the closure of No.13 Bulk Food Depot, TARANTO. In order to meet these contingencies the measures appearing below will be followed.

2. Italian Navy will draw requirements including allowable reserve for maintenance to and including 20 June from No.13 Bulk Food Depot, TARANTO.

3. Balance of stock in No.13 Bulk Food Depot will be transferred to the No.13 Food Distribution Depot, TARANTO. Any excesses over a 30 day holding for this Depot will be moved to No.9 Bulk Food Depot, BARI, under arrangements of MMIA LO BARI.

4. Italian Navy Pack ex 22 CRASC of 32,000 rations daily commencing on 6 June, will be taken into No.9 Bulk Food Depot until 21 June. Subsequent to 20 June Italian Navy Pack will be despatched by No.9 Bulk Food Depot with adjustments to make up for unbalanced holdings of Italian Navy at TARANTO. When Italian Navy holdings at TARANTO are balanced, a balanced pack will be resumed from 22 CRASC through the Bari Bulk Food Depot.

5. MMIA LO BARI has already made arrangements with Direzione Commissariato Bari, Italian Navy (Bari and Taranto) and 22 CRASC to implement the above.

6. To MMIA LO BARI, this confirms telephonic agreement yesterday under SZ/2 of 1 June 45.

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Who told to
hasten transfer of ships
(57/53/20.1)

KRN

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KHH/gmc

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Naples and Bari Sectors.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

1 June 45.

Ministry of War.

Reference your letter 10787/3/1 of 27 May 45.

1. For queries and suggestions made in your above-mentioned letter, please refer to our letter ST/102 of 24 May 45 and our letter ST/6/13 of 30 May 45.

KRN

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KRN/gmc

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Maintenance Italian Armed Forces

AFHQ/64/2/ST6(b)

Tel: Freedom 214

28 May 1945

ST 291

Headquarters,
22 CRASC (Sum Units)

1. ADST, MMIA reports that it is intended to close the TARANTO Bulk Italian Depot with effect from 6 June 45.

2. In view of the above, Italian Base Packs will be amended as follows :

A. Italian Army Pack - BARI

Increase from 38,000 to 43,000 with effect 20 June 45 (This cancels this Directorate's letter of even reference dated 20 May 45).

B. Italian Naval Pack - TARANTO

Cancelled with effect 20 May 45.

C. With effect 6 June 45 commence new weekly pack for Italian Navy based on 32,000 daily.
Pack to be consigned to :
DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
MARITTIMO DI TARANTO
REPARTO VIVERI
First pack to arrive TARANTO 7 June 45, and weekly thereafter.

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

DADS KRN 6/1

Copy to: ADST, MMIA

"S & T, MMIA.
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This is taken case 9 by the
Illinois from ABC — 8 ST 6/15
D.C.G.

Translation.

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From: M of War 10787/S/1

To : MMIA for action

Info: Naples & Bari Commissariatos.

SUBJECT: DAILY SUPPLIES FROM 14. C.R.A.S.C.

Naples Commissariato has announced that there are enough stocks in the Bulk Depot for about a month's supply.

In order to hasten the issue of the stocks stored in the depot and to avoid any alteration in their condition during the hot season, Naples Commissariato proposes that 14 CRASC should temporarily suspend the issue of the following rations for the number of days shown:

Flour	30 days
Pasta	45 "
Rice	30 "
Dry Vegetables	20 "
Dehsyiated	30 "
Tomatoes	20 "
Meat or Fish	30 "
Tinned Cheese	20 "
Sugar	10 "
Coffee	30 "
Pepper	30 "

We ask MMIA to kindly take the above into consideration and to examine the possibility of issuing part of the above rations (meat-vegetables-fish-sugar) to Bari Bulk Depot, since the limited stocks there do not allow continuity of supplies .

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Sd/ Gen Pelligra
for Cafati
Ministry of War.

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hot season, Naples Commissariat proposes to temporarily suspend the issue of the following rations for the number of days shown:

Flour	30 days
Pasta	45 "
Rice	30 "
Dry Vegetables	20 "
Dehydrated	30 "
Tomatoes	20 "
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Sd/ Gen Pelligra
for Cafati
Ministry of War.

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TRANSLATION

SERIAL No

Translated by: A.G. R. Lumbyan

FROM : Min of War

Date : 29 May

Ref No : 10787/5/1

Date : 27 May

In reply to :

TO : MMIA
(~~Info~~/Action)

Info. Naples and Bari Commissariats
ref 9926/1 of 17/5/45.

SUBJECT:- Daily supplies from 14 C.R.A.S.C.

Naples Commissariat has announced that there are enough stocks in the Bulk Depot for about a month's supply.

In order to hasten the issue of the stocks stored in the depot and to avoid any alteration in their condition during the hot season, the Naples Commissariat proposes that 14 Area should temporarily suspend the issues of the following rations for the number of days shown:

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pasta	—	45 days
rice	—	30 days

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dry vegetables – 20 days
dehydrated " – 30 "
tomatoes 20 days
meat or fish 30 "
tinned cheese 20 "
Sugar 10 "
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Signed Gen Pellegrini

for Carati

Prefetto di Bari

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

ae Divisione Sussistenze

Sezione 1ª S&T. 28/5

Prot. N. 6787 /S/1 Allegati

Risposta al f.° del

Div. Sez. N.°

P.M. 3800 Roma, 27 MAG 1945

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C.(M.M.I.A.)
ROMA

OGGETTO: Riformimenti giornalieri dal 14 C.R.A.S.C.-

e,per conoscenza:

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL C/DO MIL.TERR. NAPOLI
(rif.9926/1 del 17/5/1945

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO DEL C/DO MIL.TERR. BARI

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La Direzione di Commissariato Militare di Napoli ha segnalato che presso il dipendente Deposito Speciale Viveri sono **accantonati** quantitativi di derrate che soddisfano i fiformimenti per un periodo di circa un mese.-

Allo scopo di smaltire le partite di derrate che da tempo sono accantonate presso il cennato deposito e di evitare che le stesse,nella corrente stagione calda subiscono alterazioni,la stessa Direzione ha proposto che il 14 C.R.A.S.C. sospenda,temporaneamente,la cessione delle seguenti derrate per i giorni a fianco di ciascuna indicati:

-farina	per giorni		30
-pasta	"	"	45
-riso	"	"	30
-legumi secchi	"	"	20
-vegetali disidratati	"		30
-pomodori	"	"	20
-carne o pesce	"	"	30
-formaggio scatolato	"		20
-zucchero	"		10
-caffè	"	"	30
-pepe	"	"	30

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Si prega codesta Sottocommissione di voler prendere in considerazione quanto sopra e di voler esaminare la possibilità di disporre che parte delle suddette derrate (carne legumi-pesce-zucchero)siano cedute al deposito speciale viveri di Bari, le cui limitate consistenze non consentono la continuità dei riformimenti.

P.IL MINISTRO

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DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO

MILITARE MARITTIMO DI TARANTO

REPARTO VIVERI 6241

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SUBJECT: Maintenance - Italian Forces

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)

ST/102

1st May 45

D.A.T.;
A.F.H.Q.

Copy to: Ministry of War
Naval Sub Commission, AC
MMIA BARI

L.O. Bari informed
feeding Arrangements
as from 7 June Basis
14/7

1. Further to this office minute dated 17th May 1945 No ST/102 owing to a decision to close the TARANTO Bulk Italian Depot as from and including 6th June 1945, the following amendments of "packs" ex 22 CRASC will be necessary: -

Despatching Agency	To	Pack	W.e.f.	Remarks
22 CRASC	BARI	Increase from 38,000 to 43,000	20/6/45	The note in this column of previous minute is, therefore, cancelled.
22 CRASC	BARI	Additional pack of 52,000	6/6/45	This is for feeding the Italian Navy at TARANTO. Please arrange for 22 CRASC to send a weekly pack based on 52,000 daily. This work will be taken over by BARI Bulk Depot and consigned direct to Italian Navy.
22 CRASC	TARANTO NIL		20/5/45	This cancels the renewal of pack as from 26/5/45 requested in previous minute.

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2. The first weekly pack for Italian Navy should be laid on to arrive at TARANTO by 7th June 1945 and weekly thereafter.

Lt.Col. RASC.
AD/ST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).

KFO/tvs
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Usual until Corps say please Such.

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SUBJECT: Maintenance - Italian Forces

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)

ST/102

14 May 45

D.S.T.,
A.F.H.Q.

Copy to: Ministry of War
Naval Sub Commission, AC
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K. F. Hamilton

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

ST
21/5
AFHQ/G/2/316(1)

Tel: Freedom 214

20 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance - Italian Armed Forces

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H.Q. 22 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units)

1. Further to this Directorate's letter of even reference dated 18 May 45.

2. The BARI Italian Pack will be based on 38,000 rations daily as instructed up to and including 19 June 45. W.e.f. 20 June 45 decrease to 30,000 rations.

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ADST MMIA
Ref 21 Inf
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21/5 Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: ADST, MMIA - Your ST/102 dated 17 May 45 refers.

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ADST
Sir
Who arranged this.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

A. T. BRANCH

S.T. AFHQ/64/2/SPT(a)

SUBJECT: Maintenance - Italian Armed Forces — Tel: Freelon 274

19/5. 18 May, 1945

H.Q. 22 C.R.A. & S.C. (Supply Units)

116 Lettrs

In accordance with telephone notification, the following amendments to despatches of Base Italian Packs are notified for your necessary action :

1. BARI

W.e.f. 20 May 45 increase to 38,000 rations daily.

2. TARANTO

A. Cancel despatches from 20 to 25 May 45 - both dates inclusive.

B. Recommence loading w.e.f. 26 May 45 on the basis of 45,000 rations daily.

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: ADST, MMIA - Confirms telephone conversation
Lt. Col. CURTIS - Captain [illegible]

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A.T. MMIA.
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Capt. Guthrie - blds.

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TRANSLATION

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FROM : Ministry of War

TO : MMIA

10020/S/1

17 May 45

SUBJECT:- Supplies of rations for the Bari Bulk Depot and Distribution Depot.

The Bari Commissariat Directorate has informed us that it is not possible to issue the regular supply of rations to units in Bari and dependent units outside with the supplies made daily by 22 CRASC to the Bulk Depot and the Distribution Depot.

Supplies must be based on a daily ration strength, which amounts to about 50,000 men.

We therefore ask MMIA to kindly give orders for an increase in the allocation, in order that they may be equivalent to the actual requirements.

The same request has been made by the Bari Commissariat Directorate to the MMIA LO at Bari.

Sgd. Gen. Pelligra

"S & T" MMIA.

Recd 17 May

File ST/ 10

OGGETTO

Direzione Annonaria della Sanità

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI AMMINISTRATIVI

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URGENTISSIMO

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

DIVISIONE SUSSISTENZE

17 MAG. 1945

Prot.lo. 3800

Sezione 1^

Prot. N° 10020/S/Allegati

Risposta al Vs. del

Div. Sez. N° S.T. 18/5.

AILA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)
ROMA

OGGETTO: Riformimento viveri per il dep.spec. viv. e Mag. Mil.viv. di Bari

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La Direzione di Commissariato Militare di Bari ha rappresentato che con i riformimenti fatti giornalmente dal 22° CRASC al Dep. Spec. Viv. ed al Magazzino Viv. di Bari, non può più assicurare il regolare rifornimento dei viveri ai reparti alla sede ed ai presidi esterni.

I rifornimenti stessi dovrebbero essere commisurati alla forza media giornaliera vettovagliata che ascende a circa 50.000 uomini.

Si prega, pertanto, codesta Sub Commissione di voler disporre un aumento delle assegnazioni, al fine di commisurarle all'effettivo fabbisogno.-

Analoga richiesta é stata fatta dalla Direzione di Commissariato Mil.re di Bari all'Ufficiale di Collegamento di codesta Sub Commission.

p. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT:- Supplies of Rations to BARI Bulk Depot.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
18 May 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MMIA TO BARI.

Ref your 10020/S/1 dated 17 May 1945.

1. It is pointed out that your Bari Commissariato Directorate should not have agreed to supply an additional number of rations to the Italian Navy ex Bari stocks, without first consulting you and this Headquarters. The rations for the Italian Navy were, as always, sent to Taranto.

2. Had the correct position been known arrangements would have been made for the 'pack' ex 22 CRASO to have been increased by 8000 to 9000 rations daily.

3. Further, on receipt of stock returns at your Headquarters from the Bari Sector and knowing the feeding strength you should have raised the question earlier.

4. Immediately the true position was known at this Headquarters, steps were taken at once to increase the 'pack' from 21000 to 38000 rations daily ex 22 CRASO as from and including 20 May 1945.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KFC/jmc

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Urgentissimo

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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by : Lt W.R. Pearlyman
The Rifle Brigade

FROM : Senior Coy of Coast

Date : 18 May.

Ref No : 10020/S/1

Date : 17 May.

In reply to :

TO : MLLA
(~~Info~~/Action)

SUBJECT :- Supplies of rations for the Bari Bulk Depot and Distribution Depot.

The Bari Commissariat Directorate has informed us that it is not possible to insure the regular supply of rations to units in Bari and dependent units outside with the supplies made daily by 22 CRASC to the Bulk Depot and the Distribution Depot.

Supplies must be based on a daily ration strength, of which amounts to about 60,000 men.

We therefore ask MLLA to kindly

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give orders for an increase in the allocations, in order that they may be equivalent to the actual requirements.

The same request has been made by the Bari Commissariat Directorate to Ministero Lo at Bari.

Signed Gen Pellegrini

SECRET 166

SUBJECT:- Maintenance - Italian Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102)

17. May 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q. 170

Copy to:- Ministry of War
MMIA LO BARI.

1. In confirmation of telephone conversation (Curtis - Sack) please arrange for revision of 'packs' ex 22 CRASC as follows:-

Despatching Agency	To	Pack	W.e.f.	Remarks
22 CRASC	BARI	Increase from 24000 to 38000	20/5/45	This will be reduced to 30000 as from and including 20/6/45.
22 CRASC	TARANTO	Reduce from 54000 to NIL	20/5/45	To adjust overissues.
22 CRASC	TARANTO	Renew at 45000	26/5/45	---

2. Please confirm action taken.

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Despatching Agency	To	Pack	W.e.f.	Remarks
22 CRASC	BARI	Increase from 21000 to 38000	20/5/45	This will be reduced to 30000 as from and including 20/6/45.
22 CRASC	TARANTO	Reduce from 54000 to NIL	20/5/45	To adjust overissues.
22 CRASC	TARANTO	Renew at 45000	26/5/45	—

2. Please confirm action taken.

Further to DST
@ 171 regarding change
in pack due to closure of
Taranto Pack Depot

Dstp action ad-(169)

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K. J. Hunt.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMRA).

KFC

DST. 21/5

1 crate 6309 ✓
Have 30 crates
Confirmed

37350
8550
13500
30150
2 crates
Sent 26/6/45

Have 26/6/45

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Overseas Bank

Fr. 30000 to 38+00 m/cm x
inclusive 21/5/45. Fr.
valid 19/6/45.

Also reduced to 30000
m/m running 20/6/47.
The bank was under the
Swiss Government
21/4/47 to 19/5/45

Also

Bank no funds to
Transmit for 6 days
i.e. Fr. 25/-/47 to
21/-/47 (inclusive
both)

~~No Transfer for~~
~~to 45 ...~~

Swiss Transfer Bank
no/m running
26/5/45 at reduced
figure of 45.000

Swiss Bank to
continue not
found at 63.000

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i.R. fra 20/4-1/5 t.
2-5-1/5 (indvarsel
sendt). —

~~Den Tomsk part t~~
~~til 45000.~~

—

Resen Tomsk fordi
av fem rendyrer
26/3-1/5 el. nedsatt
fra sum 1 45.000

Hele park t
omkring nå
fremst el. 63000

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The reason for eliminating both 6 days to Tomsk is because fra
21/4/45 t 19/6/45 - 8000 vehicles
daily use therefore = 2g x 8 = 32.000
vehicles.

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OUTGOING SIGNAL

FROM : MMLA

TO : 54 AREA

REF : ST/840

Date Time of Origin

May 12 1503 B

Security Classification RESTRICTED

FOR MMLA LO (+) ACCEPTANCE NOTE FOR RATIONS EX 22 CRASC FOR 01 MAY

NOT RECEIVED (+) PLEASE SEND YOUR FILE COPY =

Precedence ROUTINE

Authenticated

Internal: Q1.

File : ST/102

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Subject: Daily Pack ex 14 CRASC.

ST. 5/5

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STN/9b/1

4 May 1945.

Direzione Commissariato,
Comando Territoriale, Napoli.

Copy to: - 14 CRASC (Your ST/175 dated 3 May 45 refers).
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (M.M.I.A.)

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Reference this office STN9b/1 dated 15 April 45.

1. Hq., MMIA have informed this office that the daily rations at present released from 14 CRASC will be reduced from 70000 rations to 63000 rations from and including 5 May 45.

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S. & T. MMIA.
Ref May 5
File ST) 102

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Lt. Col., Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

SWC/etg

DDS KRN 6/5

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SECRET

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Rations.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
4 May 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MMIA LO'S
NAPLES BARI TARANTO

1. It is notified for your information that the daily pack from 14 CRASC (Supply Units) to Italian Depot, NAPLES has been reduced to 63,000 rations with effect from 3 May 45.

2. Present packs in operation at the date of this letter are shown below for your information.

Despatching Agency	Italian Depot	Daily Pack
14 CRASC(Supply Units) NAPLES	NAPLES	63,000 rations
22 CRASC(Supply Units) BARI	BARI	21,000 "
- do -	TARANTO	54,000 "

Lt. Col. [illegible].
A/ST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

DVH/gmc

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Glad you have cleared requires no Tel to United Base packs

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G. T. BRANCH

ST 162

AFHQ/64/2/3T6(b)

Tel: Freedom 214

1. May. 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Base Packs

H.Q. M. G.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units)

Confirming telephone conversation (Lieut. SMITH - Major BACK), w.e.f. 3 May 45, Italian Base Pack will be based on a feeding strength of 63,000.

Tel refers

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: AIST, MMIA.

D.D.'s R.R.N.'s

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 6/5/45

File ST/ 102

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SECRET

SUBJECT:- Maintenance - Italian Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
1 May 45.

D.S.T.
A.F.H.Q.

1. Further to this office minute dated 10 April 1945, No. ST/102, will you please arrange to reduce the daily pack to Naples Depot to 63000 as from and including 3 May 1945.

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

KFC/jc

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TRANSLATION

144.

: Ministry of War

TO : Ministries of Marine & Air.
All Commissariati.

INFO : MMIA (ref ST/102 of 31/3/45).
Cabinet. SMCE.
Situation Office Ministry of War

7454/S/2

14 April 45

SUBJECT:- Confirmation of bad food from Italian supplied items which are stored in British Depots.

For the information and guidance of the addressees, herewith copies of the orders given by MMIA, in agreement with us, to units concerned under its command concerning the procedure to be followed, when rations from the Italian supplied items are found to be unfit for consumption, either on their entry or during their storage in British Supply Depots.

S & T, MMIA.
Recd 26 Apr
File ST/102

ADST
DADS KRN

Sgd. Launi for Gen. Pelligra

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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by: W.O.R. Cuthbert.

Date : 17 April.

FROM : Main H'Qrs

Ref No : 7454/S/2.

Date : 14 April.

TO : MMIA (Info/~~Action~~) In reply to : ST/102 of 31/3/45

to Main H'Qrs
& Rcs. All Communicants.

Info. Cabinet. SHAEF. Situation Office Main H'Qrs

SUBJECT:- Confirmation of bad food from Italian Supplied Items which are stored in British Supply Depots

For the information and guidance of the addressees, herewith copies of the orders given by MMIA, in agreement with us, to units Concerned under its command concerning the procedure to be followed, when rations from the Italian Supplied Items are found unfit for consumption, either on their entry or during their storage in British Supply Depots.

Signed. Lanni for General Pelligra
for the Minister of War.

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
Divisione Assistenza

Div. ____ Sez. 2

Prot. N. 24.54/31/Rg Allegati ____

Roma, 2...3800, li 14 APR 1945

Al MINISTERO DELLA MARINA
D.G.C.R.E.
ROMA

Risposta al Foglio del ____
Div. ____ Sez. ____ N. ____

OGGETTO Accertamento avaria derrate componenti la razione viveri italiana depositate presso i magazzini riformimento britannici.

AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA - D.G.C.R. — ROMA
ALLA DIREZ.NE COMM/TO DEL C/DO SUD.TERRIT. — ROMA
" " " " " " " " — BARI
" " " " " " " " — NAPOLI
" " " " " " " " — FIRENZE
" " " " " " " " — PALERMO
ALLA SEZIONE AUSONIA DI COMM/TO MILITARE — CAGLIARI
" " SICILIA " " " — CATANZARO
ALL'UFFICIO AUSONIA COMM/TO MILITARE — TARANTO
e, per conoscenza:
ALLA ALLIED FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.(SICILY) — ROMA
(Rif.f/n.31/102 del 31/3/45)
AL GABINETTO — SEDE
ALLO S.M.E.P.E. - Ufficio Servizi — SEDE
ALL'UFFICIO SITUAZIONI — SEDE

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Per opportuna conoscenza e norma degli enti in indirizzo, si trasmette copia delle disposizioni che, di comune accordo con questo Ministero, la 2a Forces Sub Commission A.C.(A.A.I.A.) ha impartito agli organi interessati dipendenti circa la procedura da seguire per i generi di consumo della razione viveri italiana, trovati non adatti al consumo all'atto dell'immissione o durante la loro permanenza nei magazzini di riformimento britannici.

P. IL MINISTRO

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Ministero dell'Aeronautica.

AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA = D.C.R.
ALLA DIREZ.NE GEN./LE DEL C/TO MIL.TERRIT.
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ALLA SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMM/TO MILITARE
" " MACCHIA " " "
ALL'UFFICIO AUSILIARIO COMM.TO MILITARE
e, per conoscenza:
ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.(CHIA)
(Rif.f/n.32/102 del 31/3/45)
AL GABINETTO
ALLO S.M.A.E. = Ufficio Servizi
ALL'UFFICIO SITUAZIONI

ROMA
ROMA
BARI
NAPOLI
FIRENZE
PALERMO
CAGLIARI
CATANZARO
TARANTO

ROMA

GENOVA
SEDE
SEDE

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p.IL MINISTRO
f.to Peligra

p. c. c.
IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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sg.

CIRCOLARE

Fondo 123 27/102

OGGETTO: Procedimento relativo ai generi di consumo italiani della razione viveri trovati non atti al consumo.

1° Quando generi di consumo della razione viveri pervengano in stato non adatto al consumo o lo divengano durante la permanenza in magazzino britannico, dovrà essere inviato al competente commissariato per il tramite degli organi del servizio ST. Una copia di detto rapporto dovrà anche essere inviata all'Ufficiale Collegamento A.M.I.A.

2° Il Commissariato competente, dopo aver ricevuto il rapporto riunirà una Commissione di analisi per esaminare e giudicare circa i viveri in questione.

La Commissione di analisi sarà composta come segue:
1 ufficiale britannico
1 ufficiale italiano in rappresentanza del Commissario
1 ufficiale italiano qualificato come chimico e competente nelle analisi dei viveri.

3° La Commissione di analisi farà un processo verbale sulle risultanze, dopo di che si prenderanno gli occorrenti provvedimenti in conformità del verbale di deterioramento, di cui si acclude un modello nell'allegato appendice "B".

Tale verbale dovrà essere fatto in sei copie, da distribuirsi come segue:
1 copia sarà ritenuta dall'ufficiale Capo del Dipartimento britannico
1 copia sarà ritenuta dal commissariato competente
4 copie saranno inviate al Comando della A.M.I.A. per l'ulteriore inoltro al Ministero della Guerra.

4° I provvedimenti richiesti dalla Commissione di analisi nel paragrafo 3 del verbale di deterioramento possono essere presi immediatamente senza attendere la conferma da parte del Ministero della Guerra. Qualora la Commissione proponga che i generi deteriorati vengano disposti per il tramite degli organi civili, il Commissariato competente avrà la responsabilità di tale provvedimento. Nel caso in cui venga decisa l'immediata distruzione dei viveri, il certificato di distruzione facente parte dell'appendice "B", dovrà essere completato, prima che il verbale di deterioramento sia inoltrato.

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5° Dopo che il Ministero della Guerra avrà vistato i verbali di deterioramento, le copie del verbale stesso saranno distribuite nel modo seguente:
2 copie al Comando A.M.I.A. (di cui una da trattenersi dal Comando AMIA e l'altra da inviarsi alla Direzione

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5° Dopo che il Ministero della Guerra avrà vistato i verbali di deterioramento, le copie del verbale stesso saranno distribuite nel modo seguente:

2 copie al Comando R.M.I.A. (di cui una da trattenersi del Comando R.M.I.A. e l'altra da inviarsi alla Direzione del Magazzino britannico per il tramite del servizio AT)
1 copia al Commissariato competente.

6° La distruzione dei generi alimentari eseguita a seguito della proposta da parte della Commissione di analisi dovrà essere presenziata da un ufficiale italiano e il certificato di distruzione dovrà essere completato in conformità.

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C O P I A

L.F.S.C. A.C. (M.M.I.a.)
ST/102 31 Marzo 45

OGGETTO: Procedura per la dichiarazione di fuori uso-Rifornimenti Italiani.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q

e,p.c. MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Riferimento vostra AFHQ/46/ST6 del 22 marzo 45.

1-La Procedura per la dichiarazione di fuori uso nei riguardi dei generi provveduti dall'Esercito Italiano è stata nuovamente discussa col Ministero della Guerra italiano, che è d'accordo di accettare il sistema britannico per i generi nei depositi di rifornimento britannici, purchè venga inviata a questo Ufficio e per la trasmissione al Ministero della Guerra una copia dei seguenti documenti:

a-Risultati della Commissione di Ufficiali
b-Copia dell'A.F.H.736
c- Copia del C.M.F.Modello 81.

2-Nei casi nei quali i generi dichiarati fuori uso vengono venduti, l'assegno dovrà essere fatto pagabile al Ministero della Guerra Italiano e trasmesso con uno dei documenti di cui al paragrafo 1.

3-Vogliate emandare le istruzioni del caso a tutti gli interessati e per conoscenza a questo Comando.

f.to Ten.Col.Base.K.Curties

A.M.M.I.a.-UFFICIO A.C.

Traduzione n.2660/C
n.304344: 1.4.45

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Copy of MEMO
ST/102 of 31 March
(Italian Rearmament)

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c- Copia del C.M.P.Modello 61.

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f.to Ten.Col.Resc.K.Curties

S.M.R.E.-UFFICIO A.G.

Traduzione n.2660/0
n.304344: 1.4.45

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7° Qualora si presenti l'urgente necessità di distruggere certi generi alimentari per assicurare il mantenimento in buono stato di altri generi, o in quei casi in cui la distruzione presenti carattere di tale urgenza da non rendere possibile la procedura della Commissione d'analisi, l'ufficiale britannico dirigente il magazzino britannico ne informerà il suo comando, il quale disporrà affinchè il Commissariato competente invii un ufficiale per autorizzare e per presenziare la distruzione. Il predetto commissariato dovrà provvedere al completamento del verbale di distruzione nel modo indicato nel precedente paragrafo 5.

8° La presente istruzione entra immediatamente in vigore.

APPENDICE "A"

MODELLO

Rapporto su generi alimentari deteriorati.

1. Generi alimentari deteriorati:

Genere — Peso approssimativo

2. Data di entrata al magazzino
3. Data di riscontro del deterioramento
4 Ubicazione dei generi
5. Data

UFFICIALE COMANDANTE IL DEPOS. BRITANN.

PROVVEDIMENTI DEL SERVIZIO RIFORNIMENTI E TRASPORTI (ST)

1. 1. Riferimento al Commissariato competente.
2. Osservazioni
3. Data

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S & T _____

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ALLEGATO 9

VERBALE DI SOPRALLUOGO

1. Luogo ove si trovano i viveri che si supppongono deteriorati.
Deposito o reparto _____

2. Data d'esame dei viveri _____

3. Generi	Reparto	Produttore e N. del contratto	Peso netto in libbre	Data di imballo	Scadenza nella garanzia (se c'è)

4. Cause del danno

5. Risultato dell'analisi tecnica (si allegheno fogli separati se necessario)

6. Condizione dei viveri accertati dalla commissione.

7. Responsabilità e negligenza attribuite dalla Commissione.

8. Provvedimenti proposti dalla Commissione.

9. Proposte della Commissione circa l'accredito al Governo Italiano e relativi motivi.

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Firme della Commissione

Certificato di distruzione

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4.Cause del danno

5.Risultato dell'analisi tecnica (si allegbino fogli separati se necessario)

6.Condizione dei viveri accertati dalla commissione.

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9.Proposte della Commissione circa l'accreditto al Governo Italiano e relativi motivi.

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Firme della Commissione

Certificato di distruzione

I viveri sopra notati sono stati distrutti in nostra presenza

Ora Data Località

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SUBJECT:- Receipts ex British Sources.

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Land Forces Sub Comn. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/162
19 April 45.

MMIA IG'S
MAFIS FARI TARATU

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Copy to:- Ministry of War.

Reference our signal ST/120 of 17 April 45 (not to Ministry of War).

1. Rendition of signals reporting daily receipts ex British sources (14 or 22 CRMSC) was cancelled in order to reduce signal traffic.

2. It is desired that Acceptance Notes (MMIA Forms ST/3) be accomplished and despatched with a minimum of delay, in order that data at this Headquarters may be up-to-date.

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Lt.Col. HASH.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comn. AC.(MMIA).

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM : MMIA

TO : PENSOUTH 54 AREA 52 AREA

17 0415 1730 .B.

ST/820

19 (Vol I) RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LOs (.)

REFERENCE OUR SIGNAL ST/449 OF 20 NOV (.) DAILY SIGNALS NO LONGER REQUIRED

file @ 15

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(ST/102)

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION K. Robertson Jr. Lt. Col.

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Subject: Daily Pack ex 14 CRASC.

S & T, MMIA.
Recd 16 Apl
File ST/ 10 ✓

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STN/96/1

15 April 1945.

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16/4

Direzione Commissariato,
Comando Territoriale, Napoli.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. AC, (M.M.I.A.)

Reference this office STN/7 dated 22 Mar 45 (not to MMIA).

1. Hq., MMIA have now informed that this figure has been reduced to 70,000 rations daily as from and including 12 Apr 45.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Lt. Col., Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

KF/etc

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DND: KRN/17/4

Further reduction notified (1164)

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

14 April 45.

D.S.T.
A.F.H.Q.

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Reference your AFHQ/64/6/ST6 dated 23 March 1945.

1. Forwarded herewith is a copy of a minute received from MMIA LO·5 Army British Increment, contents of which are self-explanatory.

2. It is confirmed that the issues previously queried, will be regularized. Issues can now be made on ST.6.

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Lt.Col. TASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

Copy to:- Q1 MMIA.

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

M.M.I.A. L.O.
c/o British Increment,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

Z19/7/G.

30th March 45.

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

Reference your G/2/29.85 of 26 March.

There is no such unit as the "Italian Pioneer Rest Camp" since Rest Camps for Italian Military are not authorised by A.F.H.Q.

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/sd/ A.M. NEWTON,
Capt,
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

MAINTENANCE RATIONS

PACK EX THIRD 22 CRATE

Tier 155/1

	NAPLES (70.000)	BARI (21000)	TARANTO (54000)
FLOUR lb	2100000	630000	1620000
tons	944	288	720
MACARONI	393750	118125	303750
	177	54	135
MEAT/FISH	393750	118125	303750
	177	54	135
VEG. DRIED	262500	78750	202500
	118	36	90
CHEESE	131250	39375	101250
	59	18	45
SUGAR	131250	39375	101250
	59	18	45
RICE	131250	39375	101250
	59	18	45
VEG. DEHYD	131250	39375	101250
	59	18	45
CATSUP	65625	19683	50625
	30	9	23
COFFEE	65625	19683	50625
	30	9	23
PEPPER	656	197	506

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		54	135	
VEG. DRIED	262500	78750	202500	
	118	36	90	
CHEESE	131250	39375	101250	
	59	18	45	
SUGAR	131250	39375	101250	
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Reel 2460

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

A. T. BRANCH

SECRET

SUBJECT:- Maintenance - Italian Forces

AFHQ/64/2/AT6(b)

Tel: Freedom 214

11 April 1945

HQ. 14 CRASC (Sup Units)
HQ. 22 CRASC (Sup Units)

140 a

Further to this Directorate's letter AFHQ/64/2/AT6(b) dated 19 March 45, Italian Base Packs will be based on the following feeding strengths with effect from 12 April 45 :

NAPLES	70,000
BARI	21,000
TARANTO.	54,000

(S) Also refers.

A. & T. MMIA.

Recd 13 Apr.

File AT/ 102.

Replied for list of commodities & tonnages

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Freedom 214

COPY TO; ADST, MMIA

AFSAT

DADS KRN 14/4

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT:- Condemnation Procedure - Italian Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
SZ/402

12 April 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- G MMIA.

153

Attached copy of D.S.T. A.F.H.Q. letter AFHQ/10/9/SZ6(d) dated 10 April 1945, giving instructions on above subject, is forwarded for your information.

FRN

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

DVW/jc

6213

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH.

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT:- Supply Memorandum No. 63
Condemnation Procedure - Italian Supplies.

AFHQ/10/9/ST6(d).

Tel : Freedom 217.
(2 rings)

10 April 1945.

Refers to (144)

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

DISTRIBUTION :-

DDST, Fifth Army
DDST, Eighth Army
DDST, No. 1 District
DDST, No. 2 District
DDST, No. 3 District

A. T. MMIA
Recd 11 Apr
File ST/102

Copy sent at (15d)

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ADST, LFA
ADST, RAAC
ADST, Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
OCRASC, HQ, B.T.N.A.
OCRASC, Corsica and Sardinia.
OCRASC, 203 Sub-Area.
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HQ, 13 CRASC (Supply Units
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HQ, 20 CRASC (Supply Units
HQ, 22 CRASC (Supply Units
ST, ML, HQ, Albania
ST, ML, HQ, Jugoslavia.

D. S. T. MMIA.
Recd 11 Apr
File ST/ 10 2

Copies to:- DDST, 15 Army Group
'Q'(Maint)
Financial Adviser (Br)
D.M.S.(Inspector of Messing)
Senior W.D. Analyst
Comdt., RASC Training Depot
Comdt., "B" RASC Mob Centre
No. 1 Sup. Depot Insp. (4)

C.C. Bde 1. W. Bde Bde 1. W. Bde

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for Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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(original in Q/2/29)

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

"S & T" MMIA.
Recd 11 Apr
File ST/ 107

M.M.I.A. L.O.
c/o British Increment,
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.
510/7/Q.
30th March 45.

TO:Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME

(141)

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See 156 b

C210

sd/ A.E. NEWTON,
Capt,
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

AMN/

Yr ST/8 enquiry for 2 Coys this unit

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File

151

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Bulk Depots.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/402

10 April 45.

D.S.T.
A.F.H.Q.

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124

1. With reference to this office minute dated 19th March 1945, and your A.F.H.Q./64/2/ST6(b) dated 23 March 1945, will you please arrange for the daily packs to be revised as follows :-

Despatching Agency		Present Packs		Reduce To
14 C.R.A.S.C.	(Supply Units)	Naples	79000	70000
22 C.R.A.S.C.	(Supply Units)	Bari	24000	21000
22 C.R.A.S.C.	(Supply Units)	Taranto	58000	54000

2. The above revisions to come into operation as from and including 12th April 1945.

3. Please confirm action taken.

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

KFG/jc

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Revision of Packs in April 1945

From 14 C.R.A.S.C

NAPLES

Caserta	15.020
Lucera (Navy)	19300
Bari (Army)	12000
Avellino (Airforce)	1700
Rome (Army)	6700
Rome (Navy)	1750
Rome (Airforce)	5150
Sorrento (Army)	677
Sorrento (Navy)	5165
Sorrento (Airforce)	252
	70106

From 22 C.R.A.S.C

TARANTO

Army	2305
Navy	35244
Airforce	7322
Catania	189
Navy	593
Airforce	221
Brindisi (Navy)	4757
Airforce	932
	54463

BARI

Army	10260
Navy	2556
Airforce	8000
	21206

8039

70106
54463
21206
145775

[illegible] (Navy)	19300	Army	38244	Army	2856
Army (Air Force)	12000	Air Force	7322	Air Force	84000
Air Force (Navy)	1700	Civilians	189		21206
Army (Army)	6700	Army	593		
Army (Army)	1750	Air Force	221		
Army (Air Force)	5150	Civilians (Navy)	4757		
Civilians (Army)	679	Air Force	932		
Civilians (Army)	5165		54463		
Civilians (Air Force)	2562				
	40106				

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40106
54463
21206

145775
Army 30590
14809
40669

231843

Civilians on 1st
240543

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

AFHQ/64/6/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

5 April, 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces

A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.

May a reply to this Directorate letter of even reference dated 23 Mar 45 now please be forwarded.

for Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

S & T. MMIA.

Recd 7 Apr

File ST/ 102

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146

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces
(Local Purchase Items)

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

1 April 45.

Ministry of War.

Reference this office letter ST/102 of 23 March 1945 in which you were requested to prepare a suggested new distribution and bring to this office for discussion.

1. It is requested that you take action without any further delay.

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

DVW/jw

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

SUBJECT:- Condemnation Procedure - Italian Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
SF/102

31 March 45.

D.S.T.
A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- Ministry of War.

Reference your AFHQ/46/SF6 dated 22 March 1945.

1. The condemnation procedure in connection with supplies provided by the Italian Army has again been discussed with the Italian Ministry of War, who have agreed to accept the British system for supplies in British Supply Depots, provided one copy of one of the following documents is forwarded to this office for transmission to the Ministry of War :

(a) Findings of a Board of Officers
(b) Copy of A.F.F. 735
(c) Copy of C.M.F. Form 84.

2. Where condemned supplies are sold, the cheque should be made payable to the Italian Ministry of War and forwarded with one of the documents mentioned in para 1 above.

3. Will you please issue the necessary instructions to all concerned, copy to these Headquarters.

KHC/jc

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

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143.

AIGRAM

FROM: MGIA

TO (FOR ACTION): REAR EIGHT ARMY

DATE TIME

26 1500 A

RESTRICTED

REF MO Q/118

FOR MGIA LO (.) REFER EIGHT ARMY ADM INSTRUCTION NO 38 OF 18 MAR (.)

DOES PARA FOUR COVER THE ISSUE OF FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES OR SPB

FROM DIDS QUERY

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION F J Nuttall Capt.

Internal:
ST

"S & T, MidEA.

Recd 26 Mar.

File ST/ 102

DMO KRN 2/3

Note. Rear & Admin replied "Yes"

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"S & T., Misc.
Recd 26 Mar
File ST/ 102

Regular

143

TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by: Lt W.R. Merlyon

FROM : Min of War
Direzione di Commissariato

TO : MMIA
(~~Info~~/Action)

Date : 26 March.

Ref No : 1035/1C/Ris

Date : 25? March.

In reply to : ST/102
104 of 28 Feb
& 17 March
(26)

SUBJECT :- Closing down of the Barletta Special Ration Depot.
134

Further to our 995/1.C/Ris of the 12th March, we beg to inform you that the Bari Direzione di Commissariato, in their signal 5/13417 of the 22nd of March, has announced that the ~~closing~~ disposal of the remaining items in the Barletta Special Ration Depot is almost complete, 62031 that the Depot will cease to function on the 31st of this month, and will hand over the residue of the flour and dried vegetables to the 54th Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri Presidario at Barletta

Signed Pellipa Mj.

Mo/M

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO E MILITARI

Ispett.Gen.Serv.Comm.to

N. di Prot. 995/IC/Ris.Sped

Allegati

Roma, 24 Marzo 1945

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.A.I.A.)
R O M A

Risposta al Foglio N.°
del

OGGETTO Chiusura del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Barletta.

ST
26/3

Riferimento fogli n° ST/102 del 28 febbraio e 17 marzo c.a. di codesta Missione.

A scioglimento della riserva contenuta nel dispaccio n° 995/I.C./Ris. - data 21 c.m., si fa presente che la Direzione di Commissariato di Bari, con telegramma n° 5/13417 - data 22 c.m., ha comunicato che lo smistamento delle rimanenze del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Barletta è quasi ultimato e che detto Deposito cesserà di funzionare il giorno 31 corrente mese, cedendo al 54° Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri Presidiario di Barletta gli ultimi residui di farina e di verdura essiccata.

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PEL MINISTRO

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"S & T." [illegible]

Recd 26 Mar

File ST/ 10 2

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.G. (M. M. I. A.) H O M E
9/2/29-85
26 March 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces

TO : MMIA LO
HQ No. 1 District

1. Shown as Inclosures 1 and 2, are copies of letters from ST Branch AFHQ concerning Italian Pioneer Rest Camp, at CASTELFRANCO.

2. Wish you would please investigate this situation, and since this Rest Camp is not authorized, determine if the designation of the unit, that is, Italian Pioneer Rest Camp is not incorrectly shown.

3. Will appreciate an early reply in order to clarify this matter as soon as possible.

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

6201

TTR/ri
Copy to: ST Section MMIA
2 Incls.
Incl. 1 - AFHQ Ltr. AFHQ/64/6/ST6, dated 20 Feb. 45.
Incl. 2 - AFHQ Ltr. AFHQ/64/6/ST6, dated 23 Mar. 45.

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141.

"S & T." M.M.A.
Recd 26 Mar
File ST/ 102

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
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SECRET

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

AFHQ/64/2/ST6(b)

Tel: Freedom 214

23 March, 1945

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Bulk Depots

A.D.S.T.,
M.M.I.A.

128

Reference your ST/102 dated 19 March 45.

1. Attached is copy of this Directorate letter of even reference dated 19 Mar 45, instructing 14 and 22 Cs.RASC (Supply Units) to revise daily packs w.e.f. 21 Mar 45 in accordance with the figures mentioned in your above quoted letter.

"S & T. Militia."
Recd 24 Mar
File ST/ 102

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

6.00

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S.T. BRANCH

SECRET

Subject:- Maintenance - Italian Forces.

AFHQ/61/2/ST6(b)

Tel. Freedom 214

19 March 1945

HQ 1/. CBASC (Supply Units)
HQ 22 CBASC (Supply Units).

1. Confirming telephone conversation (Capt. SELLARS/HART/Major SACK), w.e.f. 21 Mar 45, Italian Base Packs will be based on the following feeding strengths :-

NAPLES	-	79,000
BARI	-	24,000
TARANTO	-	58,000 (55,000)

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

AFHQ/64/6/S16

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces

Tel: Freedom 499

23 March, 1945

A.D.S.T., M.I.A.

Reference my AFHQ/64/6/S16 dated 20 Feb 45.

1. It is understood through service channels that issues made to the Italian Pioneer Rest Camp, CASTELRANCO, can now be made on an ST 8 and that issues previously disallowed will now be accepted.

2. Will you please confirm this.

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

"S & T" Mission.
Rec'd 24 Mar
File 102



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AF 149.
6446516
Letter
transmitting
report
Civil Service
Comm. 12/31/45
Encl

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

138.

SUBJECT:- Irregular withdrawal of Italian Provided Items.

137

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

24 March 45.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA)
NAPLES. (your letter SEN/96/1 of 21 March 45 refers)

1. The incident quoted in the s/m letter was known by this Headquarters. In this specific instance cigarettes were released from the Lucca Factory to supply the Combat Group involved, due to a break-down in RASC channel of supply of this item. Such a release was made owing to emergency conditions.

2. The Ministry of War has been instructed on previous occasions not to make releases out of the normal channel. In circumstances which warrant emergency releases, out of the normal channel, this Headquarters will advise your office of details in order that proper adjustments may be made to Movement Orders.

3. It is the policy of this Headquarters to obtain releases of cigarettes from Florence or Lucca Factories to troops operating in forward areas and thereby relieve responsibility of your Sector, economize on transportation, and make cigarettes readily available to forward area troops. When such releases are made, be assured that movement orders will be adjusted, or if already published, you will be advised of amendments.

KRN 6197

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

KRN/jc

Copy to:- SE/60

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

83 137

Subject: Drawing of Local Resource Items
By Combat Gruppi.

PS & T. Secret
Rec'd 22 March
File SI/ 102

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STN/9b/1

21 March 1945.

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

Copy to: Direzione Commissariato
Comando Territoriale, Napoli

Action ref 138

1. Herewith copy of Commissariato Di Napoli letter N. 5707/1 dated 17 March for your information.

2. It is pointed out that Italian War Ministry frequently give instructions to forward Combat Gruppi to withdraw Local Resources Items direct from Depots or Factories in the rear.

3. Apart from being most irregular, such action makes it impossible for this office to calculate actual releases made against your Movement Orders.

4. In this particular case, the total amount authorized for release to 14 CRASC for the month of March was issued prior to receipt of attached letter. This office, therefore, can take no action.

5. It would be appreciated if you would clarify the position with Italian War Ministry in order to avoid further confusion.

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GEORGE D. SMITH, JR
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

SWC/jlm

ADST Rec
DADS KRN 24/3
We should like to keep this file

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COPY

Napoli, 17 marzo 1945

AT X° DEPOSITO SPECIALE VIVERI DI
N A P O L I

COMANDO MILITARE CAMPANIA
DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO

Prot N. 5707/1

OGGETTO: Prelevamento sigarette da parte del 184° Regg.Artiglieria "Folgore" -

e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO GRUPPO COMBATTIMENTO "FOLGORE" - Uff.Comm/to - P.M. 146

ALLA M.M.I.A. - L.O. .....NAPOLI

Il Ministero della Guerra, con dispaccio No 5620/S/1 del 10 corrente, ha communicato che il 184 Reggimento Artiglieria "Folgore" ha prelevato direttamente dalla Mainfattura Tabacchi di Lecce Kg. 500 di sigarette nazionali (Free).

Pregasi prendere nota di tale prelevamento diretto per altrettanto da consegnare in meno dal 14 CRASC in conto del fabbisogno del corrente mese, mettendolo in uscita con particolare annotazione.

Si prega la M.M.I.A. - L.O. - di informare il 14 CRASC per il suddetto quantitativo che ricevera in meno e che dovra consegnare in meno al gruppo di Combattimento "Folgore" (1 Distretto).

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IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Giuseppe Occhipinti)

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TRANSLATION

SUBJECT: Cigarettes Withdrawn by 184th Reg. Artillery "Folgore".

The Ministry of War, Signal No. 5620/S/1 dated 10th March, has informed that the 184th Reg. Artillery "Folgore" has withdrawn direct from Lecce's Manufacture Tobacco 500 Kg. Cigarettes Nazionale (Free).

Request is made to take note of this direct withdrawal for equal less delivery to 14 CRASC on account requirement for this month, placing it as "out" under particular reference.

Request is made to M.M.I.A. - LO to inform 14 CRASC for above said quantity they will not receive and not deliver to the Group Combat "Folgore". (1st District).

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Giuseppe Occhipinti)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH

"S & T." Offr. 136

Recd 13 Mar.

File ST/ 102

Subject:- Condemnation - Italian Supplies AFHQ/46/ST6

Tel. Freedom 499

22 March 45

ADST MTA

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Reference your ST/102 of 14 March 45.

1. It is regretted that the scheme outlined in your letter is not acceptable to this Directorate. We cannot, at this stage, superimpose on a perfectly good accounting system, a new and unwieldy procedure for disposal of particular supplies. 10

2. The purpose of our letter (AFHQ/46/ST6(d) of 27 Feb 45) was to see if there were any minor variations to the existing procedure that you would like to see introduced. In particular, it will be necessary, for example, to arrange a system whereby the Italian Government is given credit should any of the condemned supplies be fit for sale.

3. Will you please let us have your comments on these lines.

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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135

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Combat Forces.
(Local Purchase Items).

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

23 March 45.

Ministry of War.

1. With reference to this office minute dated 27 January 1945 No. ST/102, in view of the many changes of locations of Italian Army Units, you should prepare a suggested new distribution and bring to this office for discussion. The existing distribution is now quite out-of-date.

2. Please expedite.

(Note: This was the means giving monthly targets of requirements Naples, Bari & Brindisi Areas)

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Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KEN/gmc

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File 102

Register 134
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TRANSLATION.

SERIAL No

Translated by: L.U.O.R. Inverigan.

FROM : Min of War.

Date : 22 March.
Ref No : 995/10/Rio
Date : 21 March.
In reply to : ST/102 of 28 Feb and 17 March.

TO : MMIA
(~~Info~~/Action)

104

SUBJECT :- Closing down of Barletta Special Rations Depot.

The Bari Direzione di Commissariato (ref S/12975 of 13 March) informs this Ministry that the work of disposing of the remainder of rations in the Special Ration Depot at Barletta that has been suppressed, proceeds slowly because of the limitations of the concessions for the necessary transport.

Further ref. No 142

Capt Hutchins also Checked this KDN 6191

The afore-mentioned Direzione has

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has been asked by Signal to let us know the
presumed date of the final closing down of
the Depot in question.
However we will inform you
further of this at a later date.

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for the Minister.

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Ro/II

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Ispett. Gen. Serv. Comm.to

N. 2a Sez. 395/10/2a Prot.

Allegati

Roma, 2 Marzo 1945

Al La Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.I.I.A.)
20 X 1

Risposta al Foglio N.
del

OGGETTO Chiusura del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Barletta.

Riferimento fogli n° 30/102 del 26 febbraio e 17 corr. c.a.

La Direzione di Commissariato di Bari, con foglio n° 5/12975 del 13 c.m., ha comunicato a questo Ministero che le operazioni di smaltimento delle rimanenze di derrate del soppresso Deposito Speciale Viveri di Barletta procedono a rilento a causa della limitazione delle consegne dei trasporti necessari. *

E' stato telegraficamente interessato la predetta Direzione, ed in data odierna sollecitata, a far conoscere la data presumibile di definitiva chiusura del deposito in questione.

Si fa, pertanto, riserva di ulteriori comunicazioni al riguardo.

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133.

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

Headquarters,
14 C.,R.A.S.C. (Supply Units),
C. M. F.
ST 175/2.

19 Mar 45.

M.M.I.A.,L.O., Naples.
M.M.I.A., Rome.
OsC, 23 B.S.D., R.A.S.C.
30 B.S.D., R.A.S.C.

ST

N.TR.

Reference this HQ letter ST 175/2 dated 22 Jan 45.

W.e.f. 21 Mar 45 inclusive, the following increase will be made in the daily pack of RASC provision items released to M.M.I.A. Depots, Naples:-

Daily Rations at present released	Increased Rations from 21 Mar 45 incl.
52,000	79,000

"S & T," [illegible]
Recd 21 Mar
File ST/ 102.

Lt-Col., R.A.S.C.,
14 C.,R.A.S.C. (Supply Units).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH

S & T. MMIA.
Recd 21 Mar
File No T 102

AMHQ/48/ST6 (b)

Tel. Freedom 21

19 March 45

Subject:- Turnover - Biscuits Service

ADST MMIA RCHE.
HQ 14 CRASC (Supply Units)
HQ 22 CRASC (Supply Units).

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1. Reference this Directorate's letter AMHQ/48/ST6 dated 16 Mar 45, and confirming telephone conversation (Capt. Sellers-Hart - Major Sack). Please delete all reference to Base Packs - Italian Forces. Para 2 b(ii) refers.

VK

DADS KRN 22/3

Major-General
Director of Supplies and Transport.

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OC please amend accordingly

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SUBJECT:- Cxyleranation - Italian Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
SE/102
22 March 45.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

Reference para 4 of our SE/102 dated 14 March 45.

1. May a reply now be given please.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

BC/gmc

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SECRET 128.

SUBJECT:- Issues to Italian Bulk Depots.

D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
16 March 45.

1. With reference to this office minute dated 16 November 1944, and your minute dated 20 Jan 1945, addressed to 14 and 22 CRASC (copy to this HQ) as a result of changes in locations, will you please arrange for the Daily Packs to be revised as follows:-

Despatching Agency	Daily Ration at present released for:	Reduced or increased to:
14 CRASC	Naples 52000	79000
22 CRASC	Bari 43000	24000
22 CRASC	Taranto 75000	58000

2. The above revisions to come into operation as from and including 21 March 1945.

3. Please confirm action taken and effective dates.

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Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KFC/gmc

Copy to:- Ministry of War
14 CRASC
22 CRASC
LO's Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).
NAPLES BARI TARANTO

BRITISH - REPLENISHMENT SUPPLIES

FROM NAPLES 14 CRASC.

		SUGGESTED PACKS
FOR Roma	13898	15000
Caserta	11002	15000
Naples	34085	35000
Sorrento	8632	9000
AFRAGOLA	1578	5000
		79000

FROM BARI - 22 CRASC

FOR Bari	17540	18000
ORTONA	893	1000
TRANI	3562	5000
		24000

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FROM BARI 22 CRASC

51000

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FROM BARI - 22 CRASC

FOR Bari.	17540	18000
ORTONA	873	1000
TRANI	3562	5000
		24000

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FROM BARI 22 CRASC

FOR TARANTO	49416	51000
CATANZARO	154	200
SCICILY	5666	7000
CATANIA	394	500
CALL UPS		
		58700

St Andrews Av 7000

Penrith 5000

GRAND TOTAL

Forward

161700

70912

232612

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Ruidi
Cerasa (Napoli) 11002 V.S
Hatima

ITI ITI
Avvisiare

Afragola (Napoli) 4578

Arcri (Bari) 3562

Orvieto (Pro-Napoli) 4972

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		Br. Air	NAVY	AIRFORCE	TOTAL
Rome	Br. Air.	17830.	1750.	5320	24900 ✓
	N				
Naples		20662	11688	1770	34085 ✓
~~Catania~~		~~154~~			~~154~~
Bari		9075	2072	6393	17540 ✓
Otranto		893			893 ✓
Foggia		3701 ✓	38296 ✓	7322 ✓	49418 ✓
Cerignola		154			154 ✓
Lecce		4935	731		5666 ✓
Castrovillari			394		394 ✓
Crotone		6032	2600		8632 ✓
Toscana	5 Bn Inf	25027			25027
Ancona	1915	10165			10165
Emilia	+ 5 Bn	35720			35720
		123226	64838	24530	212594

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Taranto	3704 ✓	38396 ✓	7322 ✓	49418 ✓
Catanzaro	154			154 ✓
Siracusa		4936	731	5667 ✓
Catania			394	394 ✓
Cagliari		6032	2600	8632 ✓

Toscana 5 Pistoia	25027		25027
Marche 1915 +5Am	10165		10165
Emilia ✓	35720		35720
		5184	

123226 64838 24530 212594

ROME SECTOR.

Rome 13898 / ~~24900~~
Civitav. 11002
~~36902~~
24900

NAPLES SECTOR

Naples 34086 ✓
Salerno 8632 ✓
42717

BARI

Bari 17540 ✓
Foggia 8731 0
Campob. 8
Lecce 1585 ✓
18433

TARANTO

Taranto 49418 ✓
Catanzaro 154 ✓
Siracusa 5667 ✓
Cagliari 394 ✓
55632

67617

Naples 67617
Bari 18433
Taran 55632
141682
Transmit 70912
212594

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1. Radio Sharp BRITI Roma 15 [illegible]
Roma 11.300 ✓
Bari AF 1650 ✓
Mantova 10000 ✓
Cesano 15000 ✓
→ BRITI Napoli 22768 (80-000) Roma 86718
Roma
ITI-ITI 6532 ×
US-ITI [illegible] 1093
27000

BR-

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From Capt Branch Mason.
as at 5th Inst.

Vacants.

Pte Lancy	38,244		
Pte Artforce	7,322		
Pte Pte	9,014	11,788.	57,804.
Boats	2,080		
Units	644		

11,738
20 Inst
0 Inst
37,738

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Preventivo di vettovagliamento del personale della Regia Marina

per la decade dal 6/3/ al 20/3

Ente di ricezione	Località di distribuzione	Razioni tipo A	Razioni tipo B
Maricommi Taranto	Taranto	30,129	
	Gallipoli	335	
	Crotone	374	
	R. Calabria	126	38396
	Vibo Valentia	27	
Maricommi Brindisi	Brindisi	7,406	
Marina Bari	Bari	2,092	2077
	Totale		
Maricommi Napoli	Napoli	11,081	
	Castellamare di Stabia	542	11623
	Totale		
Maricommi La Maddalena	La Maddalena	4,107	
	Olbia		
Marina Cagliari	Cagliari	1,925	6032
	S. Antioco		
	Totale	6181	
Sicilia	Marina Augusta Maricommi Messina Marina Trapani	2,200 1,859 876	4935
	Totale generale		

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	Vibo Valentia	27	
Maricommi Brindisi . . .	Brindisi	7,406	
Marina Bari	Bari	2,072	2077
	Totale .		
Maricommi Napoli	Napoli	11,081.	
	Castellamare di Stabia . . .	572.	11653
	Totale .		
Maricommi La Maddalena .	La Maddalena	4,107	
	Olbia		
Marina Cagliari	Cagliari	1,925	6032
	S. Antioco		
	Totale .		6181
Sicilia	Augusta.	2 200.	
	Maricommi Messina.	1,859.	4935
	Marina Trapani.	876.	
	Totale generale .		

Osservazioni:

Rome.

Ministry of Marine.	1,360	1750
Reali Carabinieri,	73.	
Various Services.	317.	
		64838
		64878

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

AFHQ/48/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

16 March, 1945

SUBJECT: Turnover - Biscuits Service

•S & T, MMIA.
Recd 17 Mar
File ST/ 102

D.D.S.T., Fifth Army
D.D.S.T., Eighth Army
D.D.S.T., No. 1 District
D.D.S.T., No. 2 District
D.D.S.T., No. 3 District
A.D.S.T., Rome Area Allied Command
H.Q., 13 C.R...S.C. (Supply Units)
H.Q., 14 C.R...S.C. (Supply Units)
H.Q., 20 C.R...S.C. (Supply Units)
H.Q., 22 C.R...S.C. (Supply Units)

1. It is necessary for turnover purposes to make issues of Biscuits Service to all troops on the mainland of ITALY.

2. These issues will be made as follows :-

(a) All detail issues made on the dates shown below will include 100% Biscuits, Service for consumption on the following day :-

Mon.	26 March
"	9 April
"	16 April
"	23 April

(b) Issues will apply to :-

(i) Civilian labour in lieu of bread for the midshift meal.

(ii) Italian Army and Navy personnel in lieu of flour. (14 and 22 CR.SC (Supply Units) will also load to their respective Base Packs for Italian Forces on those days).

(iii) All British and Allied Troops in lieu of bread on all Ration Scales.

3. Scale of equivalents as laid down in Scale 17 of "A.F.H.Q.

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3. Scale of equivalents as laid down in Scale 17 of "A.F.H.Q. Ration and Fuel Scales" will be adhered to :- i.e. Bread 2 ozs = Flour 1½ ozs. = Biscuits 1½ ozs.

4. All Supply Officers and Os.C. Depots will ensure that the object of this special issue is attained - i.e. turnover of Theatre Stocks. Close liaison will be maintained between demanding units and formations and their supplying agencies to make certain that stocks of Biscuits recommended by A.D. Analysts for turnover or early issue are in fact issued in preference to other stocks.

Attention is drawn to Supply Memorandum No. 26 dated 16 June 1944 regarding Warranty of Biscuits, Service.

W m E White Brae

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to:
D.D.S.T., 15 Army Group
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
A.D.S.T., L.F.A.
'Q'(Maint), A.F.H.Q.

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SUBJECT:- Closing of Bulk Ration Depot, BARLETTA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A).
ST/102

Ministry of War.

17 March 45.

Reference our letter ST/102 of 10 Feb 45, and reminder dated 28 Feb 45.

1. Please state what progress has been made.

KRN

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(M.M.I.A).

DVW/gmc

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Subject:- Issue of Ogmmo.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ., I District
Ref LO/82

14 March 45.

S & T. MMIA.
Recd 15 Mar
File ST/ 102.

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To:- HQ., 209 Division.

I. AFHQ/64/315 of 6 March on subject "Italian Armed Forces", modifies Ministry of War 1500/3/I of 24 January.

2. Accordingly, the Kits Centre at ORVIETO does not qualify. 252 Pack Trt Gp is not yet in the Army area and when it does move, will be under 28 Division.

Capt.
MMIA LO., I District.

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA)

PRO 178 KRN 16/3

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

CONFIDENTIAL

AFHQ/64/ST6 (b)

Tel: Freedom 499

14 March 1945

SUBJECT:- Italian Armed Forces

DDST, Fifth Army
DDST, Eighth Army
DDST, No.1 District
DDST, No.2 District
HQ, 13 CMASC (Sup Units)
HQ, 14 CMASC (Sup Units)
HQ, 20 CMASC (Sup Units)

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1. Further to this Directorate letter of even reference dated 6 March 45, para 2, the u/m alterations to the ration items on the Daily Scale - Part 'B' - are notified.

2. Nuts (Shelled) or Nuts (unshelled)
Figs may be issued in lieu at 100 gms per man per day.

3. Salt
(a) Total Salt ration has been increased to 24 gms per man per day.
(b) The increase of 10 gms per day is in respect of each ration of Bread issued to the Italian Military, whether baked by Italian Bakeries or British operated WD Bakeries.
(c) Demands made by Formations for April maintenance, in accordance with para 5(a) (i) of AFHQ/64/ST6 dated 6 Mar 45, will be adjusted to the new scale if not already so based thereon, and issues will be made accordingly by all Supply Units.

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W M S Wh. Ls

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W M S White
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: DDST, HQ, 15 Army Group
ADST, MMIA

'Q' (Maint)
War Diary
AFHQ/64/11/ST6

2nd AS KRN
ADST

S & T, MMIA.
Recd 15 Mar.
File ST/ 102

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SUBJECT:- Condemnation - Italian Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Commission, AC, (MIA),
ROME.
ST/102.

14th March, 1945.

D.S.T.,
A.F.H.Q.

1. Reference your AFHQ/46/ST.6(d) dated 27th February 1945, and further to this office minute of 11th March 1945, ST/102.

2. As the supplies in question are Italian the normal British condemnation procedure is not applicable, and it is therefore suggested that the procedure outlined in the attached draft be put into operation. This draft has been approved by the Italian War Ministry.

3. "Q" has sent a copy of the draft to Lt.Col Field of your "G"(Maint) as he also recently raised the same question.

4. If you agree, will you please issue the necessary instructions and send copy to this Headquarters. Arrangements will then be made for the Italian War Ministry to publish an instruction to all concerned on the Italian side.

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Lt.Col RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Commission, AC, (MIA).

KFC/dvw

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PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH ITALIAN ITEMS OF THE RATION SCALE FOUND UNFIT FOR CONSUMPTION.

1. When Italian items of the ration scale are received or become unfit for issue at a British Depot a report in the form of Appendix 'A' should be prepared and forwarded through ST channels to the Formation Commissariato concerned. A copy of this report should also be sent to the MMIA Liaison Officer.

2. The Formation Commissariato, on receipt of such reports will convene an Analysis Commission to examine and adjudicate upon the supplies in question.
Analysis Commissions will comprise:-

A British Officer;
An Italian Officer representing the Formation Commissariato;
An Italian Officer qualified as a chemist or food analyst.

3. Analysis Commissions will record facts and action taken in accordance with the Analysis Report, pro-forma for which is attached at Appendix 'B'.
This report is required in sextuplicate for disposal:-

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This report is required in sextuplicate for disposal:-

(One) 1 copy retained by O.C. British Depot

(One) 1 copy retained by the concerned Formation Commissariato

(Four) 4 copies forwarded to Hq MMIA for onward transmission to Ministry of War.

4. Action recommended by the Analysis Commission in para 8 of the Analysis Report may be put into effect forthwith without awaiting confirmation by the Ministry of War. Where the Commission recommends disposal through civilian channels the Formation Commissariato will be responsible for such action. In cases where

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immediate destruction is decided upon, the Destruction Certificate forming part of Appendix 'B' will be completed Before the Analysis Report is sent forward.

5. After endorsement of Analysis Reports by the Italian Ministry of War copies will be disposed as follows:-

Two (2) copies to HQ MMIA (one retained by HQ MMIA and one sent through ST channels to O.C. British Depot.

One (1) copy to the Formation Commissariato.

6. Destruction of foodstuffs as a result of the recommendation of the Analysis Commission will be witnessed by an Italian Officer and the Destruction Certificate completed accordingly.

7. In cases where it is a matter of urgent necessity to destroy foodstuffs to ensure the safe keeping of other commodities, or in cases where destruction is so urgently required that the Analysis Commission procedure is impracticable, Officer Commanding British Depot will so inform its Headquarters which should arrange for the Formation Commissariato to send an Officer to authorise and witness the destruction. 6174 The latter will be responsible for completion of the Analysis Report as set out in para 3 above.

8. The foregoing instructions become effective immediately.

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APPENDIX 'A'

PRO-FORMA

UNFIT SUBSISTENCE REPORT

1. Foodstuffs found unfit:

Commodity	Approx. Weight

2. Date received:
3. Date found unfit:
4. Where located:
5. Date _____ C.C. British Depot

ACTION BY S & T HQ

1. Reported to Formation Commissariats
2. Any remarks
3. Date _____

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2. Date received:

3. Date found unfit:

4. Where located: O.C. British Depot

5. Date _____

ACTION BY S & T HQ

1. Reported to Formation Commissariate

2. Any remarks

3. Date _____

S & T _____

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ANALYSIS REPORT

APPENDIX 'B'

1. Location of Suspected Rations
Depot or Unit concerned _____

2. Date Supplies
Examined _____

3. Commodity	Unit	Manufacturer & Contract No.	Net Weight in LBS.	Packing Date	Warranty Date(if any)

4. Cause of Damage.

5. Technical Analysis Findings.(Attach separate sheet if necessary).

6. Condition of Supplies as assessed by Commission.

7. Responsibility and/or Negligence attributed by Commission.

8. Disposal Action recommended by Commission.

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9. Whether Credit to Italian Government recommended and reason why.

Signature of Commission.

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4. Cause of Damage.

5. Technical Analysis Findings.(Attach separate sheet if necessary).

6. Condition of Supplies as assessed by Commission.

7. Responsibility and/or Negligence attributed by Commission.

8. Disposal Action recommended by Commission.

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9. Whether Credit to Italian Government recommended and reason why.

Signature of Commission.

Destruction Certificate.
Foregoing commodities destroyed in our presence at:-

Time Date Place

Signed
Signed
Signed
Signed

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Translation

Ref. No. 5392/S/1 /22

Date: March 10, 1945

From: Re of W

To: MMIA

Subject: Procedure relative to Italian items in the food ration, found unfit for consumption.

Ref ST/10 of 8 March

We have taken note of the rules concerning the procedure which your Sub-Commission recommends be adopted for foodstuffs of Italian origin found unfit for consumption, with which (rules) we fully concur.

Signed: Pelligra

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-S & T. MMIA.

Recd 13 mar.

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See 1 v 3

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Welk

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12/3 Roma XXIII.M.3800 10 marzo 45

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
e Amm/VI

Div. Susa.ze Sez. I^
Fasc. N. 392/5/1 Allegati

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION A.C.(ALMIA)
R O M A

IN

Risposta al f. del 5.3.45
Div. Sez. VI/102

OGGETTO : procedura relativa ai generi italiani della razione viveri trovati non atti al consumo.-

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO S.M.R.E.-Uff.C.A.- S E D E
(rif. f.n.303114 del 6 corr.)

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Questo Ministero ha esaminato le norme concernenti la procedura che codesta Sottocommissione propone di adottare per le derrate di provenienza italiana riconosciute non adatte al consumo ed in merito pienamente concorda.-

P. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT:- Condemnation - Italian Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

11 Mar 45.

D.S.T.,
A.F.H.Q.

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Reference your AFHQ/46/ST 6(d), dated 27th February 1945 the normal British procedure is not correct.

1. A suggested procedure has been sent to the War Ministry for perusal and agreement. As soon as a reply is received a further minute will be sent to you.

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

KFC/jo

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ST 119

SUBJECT: Issues to Italian Navy

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/15-54
8 March 1945

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
APO 512, U.S. Army

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Att: Financial Adviser (Br.)

Ref. to your letter AFHQ/64/6/ST6(a) 28 Feb. 45.

1. This is to confirm that all items turned over to the Italian Government from British Depots have been duly charged to the Italian Government and due credit given to the British Government from Acceptance Notes signed by the receiving Italian Depot and counter-signed by a representative of MMIA.

2. Acceptance Notes have been in use prior to 16 October 1944 for all items received in Italian Depots.

TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

(copy from "R")

EPZ/ri

"S & T" MMIA.

Recd 10 Jan.

File ST/ 10 V

(copy sent
ADSC @ (10)

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SUBJECT:- Procedure for dealing with Italian items of the Ration scale found unfit for consumption.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102

10 March 45.

Ministry of War.

Reference this HQ letter ST/102 of 5 March 45 on above subject.

1. May your reply now be forwarded, please, without any further delay.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.)
SI/102
9 March 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA) IO's:-

NAPLES	BARI	TARANTO
1 DISTRICT	3 DISTRICT	REAR 5 ARMY
REAR 8 ARMY	BRINDISI 5 ARMY	52 ELU
55 ELU	56 ELU	"F" ELU (CESANO) (2)

DADST's

50 ELU	51 ELU	52 ELU
53 ELU	56 ELU	

OsC Br Cadre
Orvieto
Afragola

SUBJECT:- Supply of Italian Provided Items - BR-ITIS - Forward Areas.

1. Forwarded herewith copies of DST AFHQ letters AFHQ/64/SI6 dated 6 March 45. (2)

2. Information contained therein is forwarded for your information and guidance concerning the channels of supply of Italian Provided Items of Ration scale to Italian troops in forward areas.

R Robertshaw Maj
for Lt.Col. RASC
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA)

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AFHQ/64/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

6 March 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces

D.D.S.T., 5 Army (Br.Inc.)
D.D.S.T., 8 Army
D.D.S.T., No. 1 District
D.D.S.T., No. 2 District
H.Q., 13 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)
H.Q., 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)
H.Q., 20 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)

Further to this Directorate's letter AFHQ/64/ST6 dated 6 March 1945 (para 3)

1. "Milit" cigarettes are Italian cigarettes issued on repayment to certain eligible Italian troops through their Welfare organisation, and controlled by the Italian Adm. Divs. concerned.

It has been agreed that it will be an S.T. responsibility to deliver these cigarettes forward to the appropriate Italian Adm. Div.

2. The procedure will be as follows :-

(a) Demands.

Demands go direct from the Italian Adm. Div. to the Italian War Ministry - S.T. have no responsibility for demanding.

(b) Provision.

A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A. will notify this Directorate of the amounts released and the breakdown for each Adm. Div., copy to 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units), who will draw these amounts from the Italian Base Depot in NAPLES. A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A. will also send copies of these breakdowns to D.Ds.S.T., 5 and 8 Armies and 1 and 2 Districts.

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(c) Maintenance.

(i) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will consign the cigarettes forward as under :-

H.Q., 20 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)

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(i) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will consign the cigarettes forward as under :-

231 Italian Div. - to 37 B.S.D., AREZZO
228 Italian Div. - to Pack 27
209 Italian Div. - to 37 B.S.D. AREZZO

In each case the cigarettes will be taken in by the British Depot, and held for issue to the appropriate Italian Div.

(ii) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will include the u/m addressees in his advices of despatch :-

For 231 Italian Div. - DDST and MMIA LO 5 Army
" 228 " " - DDST and MMIA LO 8 Army
" 209 " " - DDST and MMIA LO 1 District

Signals in each case will be repeated to ADST, MMIA.

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(iii) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will ensure that those cigarettes are clearly documented as "Welfare" Italian cigarettes and that they are consigned to the Italian Adm. Div., c/o the B.S.D. or Pack in question.

3. The Italian Adm. Divs. will collect in bulk from D.S.Ds, and will be entirely responsible for distributing to troops and for all arrangements for payment. D.Ds.S.T. are however requested to keep in close touch with the drawing arrangements from D.S.Ds., so that the above procedure can be effected with the minimum of difficulty.

(s) W.M. WHITE, Lt.Col.
for
(t) Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to : D.D.S.T., 15 Army Group
D.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
'Q'(Maint), A.F.H.Q.
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Tel: Freedom 499

6 March 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces.

D.D.S.T. 5 Army (Br. Inc)
D.D.S.T., 8 Army
D.D.S.T., No. 1 District
D.D.S.T., No. 2 District
H.Q., 13 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units)
H.Q., 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units)
H.Q., 20 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units)

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2. For ease of reference, the items are detailed below :-

(A) Daily Scale - Part 'B' (Italian Provided Items)

Olive Oil	1½ ozs.
Nuts (shelled)	1 ozs. (or Nuts unshelled 2 ozs.)
Salt	½ ozs.
Wine	¼ litre.
Matches	1 box per week

(B) Special Items (Italian provided)

(i) Cigarettes

Free issue - 5 per man per day all categories
Additional free issue - 5 per man per day
(w.e.f. 7 March 45)
This additional issue is for Troops listed below :-

All Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries
FRIULI, CREMONA, LEGNANO, FOGGIA, and MANTOVA Combat Groups - wherever located.
CESANO Combat Group Rfts. Centre.

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CESANO Combat Group Rfts. Centre.

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(iii) Soap

300 gms. per man per month for all Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries.

250 gms. per man per month for all Troops behind 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries.

200 gms. per mule or horse per month.

(iv) Cognac (or other liqueur in lieu)

3 Centilitres for 15 days each month (normally on alternate days) for Combat Groups actually engaged in the line.

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3 Centilitres twice per week to -
All other Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries, GEBANO Combat Group Rfts. Centre, MINTOVA Combat Group,
when cold is intense or special strenuous work is undertaken and issue is authorised by the Italian Unit Commander.
Issue ceases on 15 April 1945.

3. This Directive applies to all the above items, with the exception of Wine, for which commodity special arrangements have been made and which are detailed in a separate letter.

Welfare (or 'Milit') Cigarettes, which are for issue to certain elements only of the Italian Army and which are to be distributed by the Italian Adm. Divs. concerned, are also being dealt with separately.

4. Owing to the difficulty M.M.I.A. are experiencing at the present time in obtaining sufficient stocks of these items for current maintenance, apart from any question of building up the authorised 30 days reserve in British Depots, it has been decided that all stocks released to British Base Depots, (normally 14 CRASC (Supply Units), will be consigned at once to the forward bases at 13 and 20 CRASC (Supply Units) in the ratio of the relative feeding strengths based on these two bases.

This will ensure that all stocks released will be available for issue to D.I.D's or forward packs with the minimum of delay, and that any reserves that can be built up will be within easy reach of the consumers. 14 CRASC (Supply Units) will hold no stocks or reserves of these items.

5. The demand, provisioning, and maintenance procedure will be as follows :-

(a) Demands

(i) Demands of estimated monthly requirements will be made by DDsST of 5 and 8 Armies and 1 and 2 Districts on A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A. by the 10th of the preceding month, with a copy to this Directorate, in accordance with para 5 of M.M.I. letter ST/6/12 of 30 Oct 194[illegible]162 (not to CsRASC). These demands will be based on the estimated feeding strengths of the Italian Army in the Formations concerned and will show the amounts required for the month's maintenance only. In the case of 1 and 2 Districts, the demands will show the ratio in which these demands are required to be met from the forward bases.

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(ii) A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A., will scrutinise the demands and make any adjustments considered necessary in the light of moves of Units or Formations known to him. He will then notify this Directorate, with a copy to the demanding Formations, the amounts to be released for the month's maintenance plus any additional amounts that can be made available as a distribution margin and to build up the reserves in the forward bases.

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(iii) DDeST of formations will notify A.D.S.T. M.M.I.A. and this Directorate of any changes from their estimated maintenance requirements due to moves of Units, so that the ratio despatched forward to the two bases can be varied if necessary.

(b) Provisioning

A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A. will, in addition, notify this Directorate of the approximate release dates for the supplies from M.M.I.A. Depots, which should arrive not later than the 20th of the month preceding that for which they are required. This Directorate will then inform 14 CMSC (Supply Units) of the total amounts to be released and the approximate dates, together with the ratio in which they are to be despatched to the forward bases.

(c) Maintenance

(i) 14 CMSC (Supply Units) will automatically consign forward all supplies as collected from M.M.I.A. Depots to forward bases in accordance with the ratio as detailed in para 5(b) above. Weekly tonnage bids for rail movement made by this Directorate will cover movement of these supplies.

(ii) Demands will be placed on 13 and 20 CMSC (Supply Units) in the normal manner for weekly maintenance of their Italian Units by DDeST of Armies, and Os.C. of D.I.D's in Districts. These demands will be met by CS.CMSC in the normal manner and DDeST will ensure that they are in accord with their monthly demands made on M.M.I.A., and that no undue accumulation of reserves is made at the expense of the maintenance of other formations.

(iii) It should not be necessary for 13 and 20 CMSC (Supply Units) to place demands on this Directorate for these items, as automatic replenishment will be made from 14 CMSC (Supply Units), and demands will not be made for build-up of reserves. Attention of this Directorate, will, however, be drawn to any anomalies in the stock position, either of surpluses or deficiencies. 14 CMSC (Supply Units) will also report any difficulties in obtaining release of

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(ii) Demands will be placed on 13 and 20 CRASC (Supply Units) in the normal manner for weekly maintenance of their Italian Units by DDST of Armies, and CRASC of D.I.D's in Districts. These demands will be met by CRASC in the normal manner and DDST will ensure that they are in accord with their monthly demands made on M.M.I.A., and that no undue accumulation of reserves is made at the expense of the maintenance of other formations.

(iii) It shall not be necessary for 13 and 20 CRASC (Supply Units) to place demands on this Directorate for these items, as automatic replenishment will be made from 14 CRASC (Supply Units), and demands will not be made for build-up of reserve. Attention of this Directorate, will, however, be drawn to any anomalies in the stock position, either of surpluses or deficiencies. 14 CRASC (Supply Units) will also report any difficulties in obtaining release of items as detailed by this Directorate.

6. This procedure will be put into operation w.e.f. demands due at M.M.I.A. on 10 Mar 45, and supplies received by 14 CRASC (Supply Units) from 20 Mar 45 onwards will be consigned forward as directed herein.

(s) W.M. WITT, Lt.Col.
for
(t) Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to : DDST 15 Army Group
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
Q(Maint) AFHQ
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S.T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Italian Armed Forces

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AFHQ/64/2/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

6 March 1945

H.Q., 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)

Ref. this Directorate's letter AFHQ/64/ST6 dated 6 March 1945.

1. 10,900,000 "Welfare" Italian Cigarettes have been released by M.M.I.A.

2. Please arrange to collect and consign forward as under:-

231 Italian Div.	3,300,000
228 " "	5,400,000
209 " "	2,200,000

3. Instructions regarding despatch, documentation, and advices of despatch as set out in the above quoted letter will be strictly adhered to.

W W Wilson
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to:
D.D.S.T., 5 Army (Br.Inc)
D.D.S.T., 8 Army
D.D.S.T., No.1 District
D.D.S.T., No.2 District
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
H.Q., 13 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)
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"S & T, MMIA.

Recd 9 Mar

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Translation

FROM: War Ministry
TO: All addressed
" MMIA for info.

•S & T. MMIA.
Reed 6 Mar
File ST/ 104

REF: 3630/S/1 115
DATE: 20 FEB. 46.

Subject: Supplying of BR-ITI Troops.

In agreement with the Allied Authorities (letter S/AQ/5 dated 20 Feb. 46 of MMIA) the following instructions have been decided upon for the supplying of BR-ITI troops and those others of various categories who may be temporarily rationed through BR-ITI depts.

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1). In order to avoid ~~that~~ the encumbering of fighting troops with excessive and useless particulars of administrative orders during their stay in the backward areas and with the object to give to BR-ITI the possibility to ~~make or order possible to the supplying of~~ suffice to their own needs ~~BR-ITI troops~~, with a minimum of British assistance, it has been decided that, so far as is possible, the BR-ITI Auxiliary Divisions (231, 228, and 209) will have to assume the administrative responsibility for all the BR-ITI troops (Combat Groups and G.S. units).

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2). Ration, food.

It is that at present in force with the alterations ordered in dispatch 4420/S/1

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of same date.

a) Request, supply. and issue of the Allied part of the ration.

- In the 5th. and 8th. Armies and 1 District. Requests, supplies, and issues will be made to units by means of normal channels of supply and transport (S.T).

- In the rest of Italy.

Issue will be made by Italian Depots as is at present being carried out.

b) Request, supply. and issue of the Italian part of the ration.

- In the 5th. and 8th. Armies and 1 District The Supply and Transport Office (ST) makes request to MMIA who will give instructions to the Italian Government in order that it will make the goods requested available in S.T. Base Depots (normally INCRASC). The consigning to the units by the Depots will be made by means of ST. service depots. 6158.

At such times as ST service consider it desirable, local purchase will be made on the basis of instructions issued by ST and the necessary invoices will be sent to MMIA so that the payment of same may be requested from the Italian Government.

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- In the rest of Italy.
Same will be made by the Italian Depots
as is at present being carried ont.

3). CIGARETTES.

The ration is that laid down in dispatch
HH20/S/1 of same date.

a) Request, supply. and issue of free cigarettes

- In the 5th and 8th. Armies and 1 District.
IT requests the necessary quantities from MMIA.
MMIA will give instructions to the Italian
Government to consign the requested quantities
to IT service to IH CRASE or to another unit to
be selected. The consigning to the units by
IT Depots will be carried ont through I.T.
Service Depts.

- In the rest of Italy.
Same will be made by the Italian Depots
as is at present being carried ont.

b). Request, supply. and issue, of cigarettes on
payment.

- In the 5th and 8th. Armies and 1 District.
The Administrative Division (231, 228 and
209 Divisions) will request from this
Ministry the quantities necessary for all
the BR-ITI troops in the divisional area
in addition to those others for whom the

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Division has administrative responsability.
The MMIA.L.O. will inform H.Q. MMIA. of the requested quantities. H.Q. MMIA. will give instructions to the Italian Government to consign the quantities either to the ST. Base Depots or directly to the administrative Division if the quantities are originating from local Manufacturers. ST. will forward to the administrative Division the quantities which have been consigned to the ST. Depots. The responsibility of issue and execution of payment will fall upon the administrative Division. MMIA will have to inform the Director of supply and transport services (DST) of all the quantities issued directly to the administrative Divisions in order to allow the ST. Depots to consign their supplies accordingly.
- In the rest of Italy.
Issue will be made by the Italian Depots as is at present being carried out.

4). SOAP.

The ration is that fixed in dispatch 6156/S/1 of same date.

a) Request, supply, and issue

- In the 6th. and 8th. Armies and 1 District ST. services will make requests to MMIA which will give instructions to the Italian Government so that it will make the

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requested quantities available ex St. Base Depots. The consigning to units by St Base Depots will be effected through St. service depts.

- In the rest of Italy.

Issue will be made by the Italian Depots as is at present being carried out.

Eventual ~~out~~ of the ordinary consigning of soap from allied sources will be ruled by instructions issued by the Allied Authorities.

5. COGNAC

The ration is that laid down in dispatch 4420/S/1 of same date.

- Request. supply. and issue.

The practice laid down for soap will be followed.

6. ~~Provisionally~~ Back dated orders which may be contrary to this circular are cancelled.

7. No alteration is made to orders in respect of which units of one category who are in territory principally administrated by [illegible] other category (for example ITI-ITI Guando Battn. in forward Armies area) are supplied and rationed through local agreements if necessary from the operational point

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of view; the resulting accountancy will after-
wards be regulated by MMIA. in conformity
with the obligations of each nationality

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Agdi: PELLIGRA.
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P.M.3800, 20 Febbraio 1945

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Sussistenze

n° 3630/S/1 di prot.

OGGETTO: Rifornimento truppe BR-ITI

AL COMANDO DELLA 209^ DIVISIONE — P.M.75/A
" " " 227^ " — P.M.3800
" " " 205^ " — ROMA
" " " 230^ " — P.M.179

ALLA DIREZ.COMMISS/TO DEL CO./DO MILIT.TERRIT/LE — P.M. 16
" " " " " " " " — P.M.179
" " " " " " " " — P.M.185
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e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.(M.M.I.A.) — SUA SEDE
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA = GABINETTO — ROMA
ALLO S.I.R.E. = Ufficio Servizi — BARI
ALLO S.I.M.E. = Ufficio C.I. — NAPOLI
AI COL./DI GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTO (Tutti) —
ALLA DIREZ.DI COM./TO DEI COL./DO MILIT.TERRIT/LE
" " " " " " " " CALABRIA — LORO SEDI
" " " " " " " " SARDEGNA — PALERMO
ALL'UFFICIO DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DI — CATANZARO
^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^ — P.M.75/A
— TARANTO

AL COM./DO MIL.TERRIT/LE
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AL COM./DO GENER.CC.RR.
AL COM./DO DELLA 210^ DIV.
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I° - Divisioni Ausiliarie
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OGGETTO: Rifornimento truppe [illegible] 231

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" " " 205ª " — P.M.217
" " " 230ª " — SUA SEDE
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Allo scopo di evitare che le truppe di combattimento sieno obera te da eccessivi ed inutili particolari d'ordine amministrativo durante la loro permanenza nelle retrovie ed allo scopo di dare ai BR-ITI la possibilità di bastare a se stessi con un minimo di assistenza britannica è stato deciso che le Divisioni Ausilia rie BR-ITI (231ª, 228ª e 209ª) dovranno, per quanto possibile, as

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sumere la responsabilità amministrativa di tutte le truppe BR-ITI (Gruppi di Combattimento e reparti servizi).

2°- Razione viveri

E' quella attualmente in vigore con le varianti disposte con il dispaccio 4420 'S/1 pari data.

a) Richiesta e fornitura distribuzione della parte alleata della razione:

- Nella 5^ e 8^ Armata e nel primo distretto.
  Le richieste, le forniture e le distribuzioni vengono fatte ai reparti per il tramite dei normali organi di rifornimento e trasporto (ST)
- Nel resto dell'Italia
  La distribuzione sarà fatta dai Depositi Italiani come attualmente viene effettuato.

b) Richiesta, fornitura e distribuzione della parte italiana della razione:

- Nella 5^ e 8^ Armata e nel 1° Distretto.
  L'Ufficio Rifornimenti e Trasporti (ST) fa richiesta alla MMIA che darà istruzioni al Governo Italiano affinchè esso renda disponibili i generi richiesti presso i depositi base ST (normalmente il 14° CRASC). La consegna dai Depositi base ST ai reparti viene fatta peril tramite degli organi del servizio ST.
  Qualora il servizio ST lo ritenga desiderabile l'acquisto locale viene fatto sulla base di disposizioni emanate dallo ST e le necessarie fatture vengono inviate alla MMIA perchè questa ne richieda il pagamento al Governo Italiano.
- Nel resto dell'Italia.
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3°- SIGARETTE

La razione è quella prevista nel dispaccio 4420/S/1 pari data.

a) Richiesta,fornitura e distribuzione delle sigarette gratuite:

- Nella 5^ e 8^ Armata e nel I° Distretto.
  Il servizio ST richiede alla MMIA i quantitativi necessari. La MMIA dà istruzioni al Governo Italiano di consegnare al servizio ST al 14° CRASC o ad altro ente da scegliersi i quantitativi richiesti. Le consegne dai Depositi ST ai Reparti vengono fatte per il tramite degli Organi del Servizio ST

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- Nel resto dell'Italia.
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b) Richiesta,fornitura e distribuzione delle sigarette a pagamento:
- Nella 5ª e 8ª Armata e nel I° Distretto la Divisione Amministrativa (231ª - 228ª e 209ª Divisione) richiederà a questo Ministe

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ro i quantitativi necessari per tutte le truppe BR-ITI che si trovano nella zona della Divisione nonchè per quelle altre truppe per le quali la Divisione ha responsabilità amministrativa. L'Ufficiale di collegamento MMIA informerà il Comando MMIA circa i quantitativi richiesti. Il Comando MMIA darà istruzioni al Governo Italiano di consegnare i quantitativi o al Deposito Base ST o direttamente alla Divisione amministrativa se i quantitativi provengono da una Manifattura locale. Lo ST inoltrerà alla Divisione amministrativa i quantitativi che sono stati consegnati ai Depositi ST. La responsabilità della distribuzione e dell'incasso dei pagamenti è compito della Divisione amministrativa. La MMIA dovrà informare il direttore dei servizi rifornimenti e trasporti (D.S.T.) di tutti i quantitativi ceduti direttamente alle Divisioni amministrative allo scopo di consentire che i Depositi ST possano consegnare i loro rifornimenti in conformità.

- Nel resto dell'Italia.
  La distribuzione sarà fatta dai Depositi Italiani come attualmente viene effettuato.

4°- SAPONE
La razione è quella fissata nel dispaccio 4420/S/1 pari data.
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   - Nel resto dell'Italia.
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     Eventuali consegne straordinarie di sapone da fonte britannica saranno regolate da norme emanate dalle Autorità Alleate.

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6°- Le disposizioni di data anteriore che siano in contrasto con la presente circolare si intenderanno abrogate.

7°- Nessuna variante è apportata alle disposizioni in virtù delle quali i reparti di una categoria che si trovino in territorio principalmente amministrato da un'altra categoria (per esempio Battaglioni Guardia ITI-ITI in zona avanzata delle Armate) sono riforniti e

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vettovagliati mediante accordi locali se necessario dal punto di vista operativo; la contabilità risultante verrà poi regolata dalla U.N.R.R.A. in conformità degli obblighi di ciascuna nazionalità.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces — AFHQ/64/GT6(a)

Tel: Freedom 499

7 March 1945

DDST, Fifth Army
DDST, Eighth Army
DDST, No.1 District
DDST, No.2 District

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3. In order to provide effective control, all issues of Mis and Dis will be made only on the first ration draw of the month. Any later demands should be met only for emergency purposes and the ST 8 endorsed accordingly.

4. Mepacrine will NOT be included as a Mis & Dis item since distribution through Italian Medical channels is already in hand.

5. Will you please ensure that all Supply Depots are notified of these changes.

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Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: DDST, 15 Army Group
DDST, No.3 District
ADST, MMIA
ADST, Rome Area Allied Command

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Subject:- Provision of Supplies for Italian Military.

ST 7/3

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STN/18

5 March 1945

C.O., 1A CRASC (Supply Units).

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.,(M.M.I.A.). ✓ 100/1

1. Copy of MMIA Admin. Instn. No.22 is forwarded for your guidance.

2. The u/m observations are made:-

(a) 50 grms Figs dried, may be issued in lieu of Nuts, shelled or unshelled.

(b) Matches, 1 box, should be interpreted as approx. 40 single matches; therefore boxes containing 100 matches are equivalent to 2½ boxes within the meaning of the authorised scale.

3. For your information, MMIA Movement Orders in respect of Italian provided items for MARCH maintenance are not based on the new scale as enumerated in para 5 (a) of attached. This office is, therefore, releasing only the amounts stated on the Movement Orders. Additional cigarettes, however, are included thereon.

A/Lt Colonel Major C148
for GEORGE D. SMITH JR,
Major Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer.

KF/bc

D.A.D.: KRN 8/3

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S.T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Italian Armed Forces

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AFHQ/64/ST6

Tel. Freedom 499

6 March 1945

D.D.S.T., 5 Army (Br.Inc.)
D.D.S.T., 8 Army
D.D.S.T., No.1 DISTRICT
D.D.S.T., No.2 DISTRICT
H.Q., 13 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)
H.Q., 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)
H.Q., 20 C.R.A.S.C. (Sup Units)

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Further to this Directorate's letter AFHQ/64/ST6 dated 6 March 1945 (para 3)

1. "Milit" cigarettes are Italian cigarettes issued on repayment to certain eligible Italian troops through their Welfare organisation, and controlled by the Italian Adm. Divs. concerned.

It has been agreed that it will be an S.T. responsibility to deliver these cigarettes forward to the appropriate Italian Adm. Div .

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Demands go direct from the Italian Adm. Div. to the Italian War Ministry - S.T. have no responsibility for demanding.

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(c) Maintenance.

(i) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will consign the cigarettes forward as under:-

231 Italian Div. - to 37 B.S.D., AREZZO
228 Italian Div. - to Pack 27
209 Italian Div. - to 37 B.S.D., AREZZO

In each case the cigarettes will be taken in by the British Depot, and held for issue to the appropriate Italian Div.

(ii) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will include the u/m addressees in his advices of despatch:-

For 231 Italian Div. - DDST and MMIA LO 5 Army
" 228 " " - DDST and MMIA LO 8 Army
" 209 " " - DDST and MMIA LO 1 District

Signals in each case will be repeated to ADST, MMIA.

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(iii) 14 C.R.A.S.C. (Supply Units) will ensure that these cigarettes are clearly documented as "Welfare" Italian Cigarettes and that they are consigned to the Italian Adm. Div., c/o the B.S.D. or Pack in question.

3. The Italian Adm. Divs. will collect in bulk from B.S.Ds, and will be entirely responsible for distributing to troops and for all arrangements for payment. D.Ds.S.T. are however requested to keep in close touch with the drawing arrangements from B.S.Ds., so that the above procedure can be effected with the minimum of difficulty.

W. W. White
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: D.D.S.T., 15 Army Group
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
'Q' (Maint), A.F.H.Q.
War Diary (2)

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S. T. BRANCH

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ATHQ/64/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

6 March, 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Armed Forces

D.D.S.T. 5 Army (Br. Inc)
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"S & T. MMIA.
Recd 8 Mar
File ST/ 102

1. This directive covers the procedure for demanding, provisioning and maintenance of the Italian provided items (Part 'B') of the Italian Armed Forces Ration Scale, and of other specially provided Italian items handled by the R.A.S.C.

2. For ease of reference, the items are detailed below :-

(a) Daily Scale - Part 'B' (Italian Provided Items)

Olive Oil	1½ ozs.
Nuts (shelled)	1 oz. (or Nuts unshelled 2 Ozs.)
Salt	½ oz.
Wine	½ litre.
Matches	1 box per week

(b) Special Items (Italian Provided)

(i) Cigarettes

Free Issue - 5 per man per day all categories
Additional free issue - 5 per man per day
(w.e.f. 7 March 45)
This additional issue is for Troops listed bel 6145

All Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries.
FRIULI, CREMONA, LEGNANO, FOLGORE, and MANTOVA
Combat Groups - wherever located.
CREMONA Combat Group Rfts. Centre.

Amended 19124

(ii) Welfare Cigarettes ('Militi') - See para 3 below.

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(iii) Soap

300 gms. per man per month for all Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries.

250 gms. per man per month for all Troops behind 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries.

200 gms. per mule or horse per month.

(iv) Cognac (or other liqueur in lieu)

3 Centilitres for 15 days each month (normally on alternate days) for Combat Groups actually engaged in the line.

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3 Centilitres twice per week to -
all other Troops forward of 5 and 8 Army rear boundaries, CBSAAO Combat Group Rfts. Centre, M.T.O.V. Combat Group,
when cold is intense or special strenuous work is undertaken and issue is authorised by the Italian Unit Commander.
Issue ceases on 15 April 1945.

3. This Directive applies to all the above items, with the exception of Wine, for which commodity special arrangements have been made and which are detailed in a separate letter.

Welfare (or 'Militi') Cigarettes, which are for issue to certain elements only of the Italian Army and which are to be distributed by the Italian Adm. Divs. concerned, are also being dealt with separately.

4. Owing to the difficulty M.M.I... are experiencing at the present time in obtaining sufficient stocks of these items for current maintenance, apart from any question of building up the authorised 30 days reserve in British Depots, it has been decided that all stocks released to British Base Depots, (normally 14 CR.SC (Supply Units)), will be consigned at once to the forward bases at 13 and 20 CR.SC (Supply Units) in the ratio of the relative feeding strengths based on these two bases.

This will ensure that all stocks released will be available for issue to D.I.D's of forward packs with the minimum of delay, and that any reserves that can be built up will be within easy reach of the consumers. 14 CR.SC (Supply Units) will hold no stocks or reserves of these items.

5. The demand, provisioning, and maintenance procedure will be as follows :-

(a) Demands

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(i) Demands of estimated monthly requirements will be made by DDoST of 5 and 8 Armies and 1 and 2 Districts on A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A. by the 10th of the preceding month, with a copy to this Directorate, in accordance with para 5 of A.A.I. letter ST/6/12 of 30 Oct 1944 (not to CsR.SC). These demands will be based on the estimated feeding strengths of the Italian Army in the Formations concerned and will show the amounts required for the month's

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made and which are detailed in a separate letter.

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Welfare (or 'Milit') Cigarettes, which are for issue to certain elements only of the Italian Army and which are to be distributed by the Italian Adm. Divs. concerned, are also being dealt with separately.

4. Owing to the difficulty M.M.I... are experiencing at the present time in obtaining sufficient stocks of these items for current maintenance, apart from any question of building up the authorised 30 days reserve in British Depots, it has been decided that all stocks released to British Base Depots, (normally 14 CRASC (Supply Units)), will be consigned at once to the forward bases at 13 and 20 CRASC (Supply Units) in the ratio of the relative feeding strengths based on these two bases.

This will ensure that all stocks released will be available for issue to D.I.D's or forward packs with the minimum of delay, and that any reserves that can be built up will be within easy reach of the consumers. 14 CRASC (Supply Units) will hold no stocks or reserves of these items.

5. The demand, provisioning, and maintenance procedure will be as follows :-

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(ii) A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A., will scrutinise the demands and make any adjustments considered necessary in the light of moves of Units or Formations known to him. He will then notify this Directorate, with a copy to the demanding formations, the amounts to be released for the month's maintenance plus any additional amounts that can be made available as a distribution margin and to build up the reserves in the forward bases.

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(iii) DDsST of formations will notify A.D.S.T., M.M.I.... and this Directorate of any changes from their estimated maintenance requirements due to moves of Units, so that the ratio despatched forward to the two bases can be varied if necessary.

(b) Provisioning

A.D.S.T., M.M.I.... will, in addition, notify this Directorate of the approximate release dates for the supplies from M.M.I.... Depots, which should commence not later than the 20th of the month preceding that for which they are required. This Directorate will then inform 14 CR.SC (Supply Units) of the total amounts to be released and the approximate dates, together with the ratio in which they are to be consigned to the forward bases.

(c) Maintenance.

(i) 14 CR.SC (Supply Units) will automatically consign forward all supplies as collected from M.M.I.... Depots to forward bases in accordance with the ratio as detailed in para 5(b) above. Weekly tonnage bids for rail movement made by this Directorate will cover movement of these supplies.

(ii) Demands will be placed on 15 and 20 CR.SC (Supply Units) in the normal manner for weekly maintenance of their Italian Units by DDsST of Armies, and Os.C. of D.I.D's in Districts. These demands will be met by Cs.R.SC in the normal manner and DDsST will ensure that they are in accord with their monthly demands made on M.M.I..., and that no undue accumulation of reserves is made at the expense of the maintenance of other formations.

(iii) It should not be necessary for 15 and 20 CR.SC (Supply Units) to place demands on this Directorate for these items, as automatic replenishment will be made from 14 CR.SC (Supply Units), and demands will not be made for build-up of reserves. Attention of this Directorate, will,

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6. This procedure will be put into operation w.e.f. demands due at M.M.I.s on 10 Mar 45, and supplies received by 14 CR.SC (Supply Units) from 20 Mar 45 onwards will be consigned forward as directed herein.

(J. M. E. Wells)
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: DDST 15 Army Group
DDST M.M.I.s.
Q(Maint) AHQ
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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E

3 Mar 1945

M.M.I.A. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 23.

ITALIAN ARMY - SUPS

1. OBJECT.

The object of this instruction is to amend and clarify the procedure of issue of and accounting for the FRESH FRUIT, FRESH VEGETABLES - MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS to BR-ITI Tps or other tps such as Gd Brs maintained from Br DIDs in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT and Two District A/1.

2. FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

(a) Wef 1 Apr 45 all ITALIAN units drawing the Allied portion of the ration from DIDs in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT will draw the and two District A/1.

FRUIT	4 cwt
FRESH VEG	8 cwt

from the DID under MMIA FORM ST8 arrangements.

(b) Demands will be submitted and the accounting procedure will be adjusted on the normal ST8 system.

(c) MMIA Adm Instruction No. 22 para 5 (c) (i) is amended accordingly in respect of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

3. MISCELLANEOUS AND DISINFECTANT ITEMS.

(a) Wef 1 April 45 all Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items which are a ST supply will be drawn in FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT and Two District from DIDs on the first drawing each month. A/1.

(b) Demands will be made on ST8 (a SEPARATE copy from rations) and handled in the normal manner.

(c) In view of distribution already made Meperin will continue to be issued through Italian Medical channels.

4. The system in force now in areas other than FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT will remain unchanged. A/1.

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4. The system in force now in areas other than FIFTH ARMY, EIGHT ARMY and ONE DISTRICT will remain unchanged. H/1.

5. The ITALIAN Ministry of War has issued corresponding orders under reference 5031/S.1 of 3 Mar. AFHQ authority is signal F36452 of 2 Mar 45.

F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for ~~Major~~ General
M. M. I. A.

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AFHQ for Q Maint.
AFHQ for ST.
OC FIFTH ARMY for Q Br Incr.
HQ EIGHT ARMY for Q.
HQ No. 1 District for Q.
HQ No. 2 District for Q.
HQ No. 3 District for Q.
ALL MMLA LOs.
50 BLU.
51 BLU.
52 BLU.
53 BLU.
56 BLU.
ORVIETO MTTS CENTRE FOR OC Br Cadre.
MMLA Q/1
MMLA ST
MMLA Medical
War Diary
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AFHQ for Surgeon.

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Ministry of War (General CALDAROLA)

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in para 5(b)(iv) of the Armistice Terms re
removing mines and booby traps within
Japanese [illegible]
and, therefore, requests the withdrawal of the
British personnel should no longer be necessary."

(2) C.O.S. Supreme Allied Commander
Pacific to consider withdrawal
of British personnel.
(A copy of this document would be sent to F.O. for course
of transmission to the War Cabinet)

(3) That F.O. - Board of Admiralty
(Copy of Document to War Cabinet)

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(1) O.C. [illegible] Report [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible].
(A [illegible] the [illegible] would
be sent to M.I.9 for [illegible]
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(3) [illegible] to [illegible] -
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SUBJECT:- Procedure for dealing with Italian items of the Ration Scale found unfit for consumption.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/162

5 Mar 45.

Ministry of War.

1. As no instructions have been issued setting out the procedure for dealing with Italian items of the Ration Scale which become unfit for consumption while held in a British Depot, it is proposed to issue instructions as per attached draft.

2. Will you please study these proposed instructions and say whether you are in agreement.

3. Please treat as urgent.

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

DRAFT

ST/102

SUBJECT:- Procedure for dealing with Italian items of the Ration scale ~~received or held at a British D.I.D.~~ found unfit for consumption

1. When Italian items of the ration scale are received or become unfit for issue at a British ~~D.I.D.~~ Depot a report in the form of Appendix 'A' should be ~~prepared~~ and forwarded through ST channels to the Formation Commissariate concerned. A copy of this report should also be sent to the MMIA Liaison Officer.

2. The Formation Commissariate, on receipt of such reports will convene an Analysis Commission to examine and adjudicate upon the supplies in question.

Analysis Commissions will comprise:-

A British Officer;

An Italian Officer representing the Formation Commissariate;

An Italian Officer qualified as a chemist or food analyst.

3. Analysis Commissions will record facts and action taken in accordance with the Analysis Report, pro-forma for which is attached at Appendix 'B'.

This report is required in sextuplicate for disposal:-

(One) 1 copy retained by O.C. ~~D.I.D.~~ British Depot.

(One) 1 copy retained by the concerned Formation Commissariate

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(One) 1 copy retained by the concerned Formation Commissariato

(Four) 4 copies forwarded to HQ MMIA for onward transmission to Ministry of War.

4. Action recommended by the Analysis Commission in para 8 of the Analysis Report may be put into effect forthwith without awaiting confirmation by the Ministry of War. Where the Commission recommends disposal through civilian channels the Formation Commissariato will be responsible for such action. In cases where

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immediate destruction is decided upon, the Destruction Certificate forming part of Appendix 'B' will be completed before the Analysis Report is sent forward.

5. After endorsement of Analysis Reports by the Italian Ministry of War copies will be disposed as follows:-

Two (2) copies to HQ MMIA (one retained by HQ MMIA and one sent through ST channels to O.C. ~~D.I.D.~~) British Zone.

One (1) copy to the Formation Commissariato.

6. Destruction of foodstuffs as a result of the recommendation of the Analysis Commission will be witnessed by an Italian Officer and the Destruction Certificate completed accordingly.

7. . In cases where it is a matter of urgent necessity to destroy foodstuffs to ensure the safe keeping of other commodities, or in cases where destruction is so urgently required that the Analysis Commission procedure is impracticable, Officer Commanding British ~~D.I.Zone~~ Zone will so inform its Headquarters which should arrange for the Formation Commissaria to send an Officer to authorise and witness the destruction. The) will be responsible for completion of the Analysis Report as set para 3 above.

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8. The foregoing instructions become effective immediately

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APPENDIX 'A'

PRO FORMA

UNFIT SUBSISTENCE REPORT

1. Foodstuffs found unfit:

Commodity — Approx. Weight

2. Date received:

3. Date found unfit:

4. Where located:

5. Date

O.C. ~~D.I.D.~~ British Depot

ACTION BY S & T HQ

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1. Reported to Formation Commissariats

2. Any remarks

3. Date

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Commodity | Approx. Weight

2. Date received:

3. Date found unfit:

4. Where located:

5. Date _____ O.C. ~~D.I.D.~~ British Zone

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3. Date _____

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ANALYSIS REPORT

APPENDIX 'B'

1. Location of Suspected Rations Depot or Unit concerned_____

2. Date Supplies Examined_____

3. Commodity	Unit	Manufacturer & Contract No.	Net Weight in LBS.	Packing Date	Warranty Date (if any)

4. Cause of Damage.

5. Technical Analysis Findings.(Attach separate sheet if necessary).

6. Condition of Supplies as assessed by Commission.

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7. Responsibility and/or Negligence attributed by Commission.

8. Disposal Action recommended by Commission.

9. Whether Credit to Italian Government recommended and reason why.

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5. Technical Analysis Findings.(Attach separate sheet if necessary).

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8. Disposal Action recommended by Commission.

9. Whether Credit to Italian Government recommended and reason why.

Signature of Commission.

Destruction Certificate.
Foregoing commodities destroyed in our presence at:-

Time Date Place

Signed.
Signed.
Signed.
Signed.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH.

SUBJECT:- Condemnation - Italian Supplies.

AFHQ/46/ST.6(d).

"S & T" MMIA.
Rec'd 18 Jan
File ST/ 107

Tel : Freedom 217.
(2 rings)

17 February 1945.

A.D.S.T.,
M.M.I.A.

1. British Army depots are now holding certain items which are received from Italian sources for issue to Italian troops.

2. In cases where these stocks deteriorate and become unfit for issue, the normal condemnation procedure for British Army supplies is followed.

3. Please confirm whether you are in agreement with this.

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S.T. BRANCH

Subject:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces

AFHQ/64/6/ST6(a)

Tel. Freedom 217 (2 Rings)

28 Feb 45

ADST, Land Forces Sub.Comm.A.C. (MMIA)

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1. Your ST/102 of 26 Feb 45 is noted with satisfaction.

2. The Financial Adviser has now requested specific confirmation that due credit has been given to the British Government in respect of issues to the Italian Navy made prior to 16 Oct 44, i.e., prior to the introduction of the present accounting system.

3. Will you please confirm.

Italian Ref 190

Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Q & T, MMIA.
Encl 2 hrs — Q/2/15
File ST/ 102

Q reply @ 109.
copy to DSD 6134

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Subject: Distribution of Fresh Fruit, Fresh Vegetables also Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
3/3/5

28 Feb 1945

To: AFHQ for Q Maint.

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1. Reference is made to AFHQ/64/2/3T6(a) of 23 Feb to this HQ with copy to you.

2. It is requested that you approve the att draft by signal. The draft has been coordinated with the ITALIAN Government and similar instructions will be sent out to ITALIAN Comds.

F. J. Noakes

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F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:
Q (Accounts) MMIA
SP MMIA
Med MMIA

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SUBJECT:- Closing of Bulk Ration Depot - Barletta.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
28 Feb 45.

Ministry of War.

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Ref ST/102 of 10 Feb 1945.

1. Please state progress on the closure of Bulk Depot at Barletta for IR-ITI rations.

KRN

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KRN/gmo

Send another reminder

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Zeus 103

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
1 Mar. Feb 45.

D.S.T. A.F.H.Q.

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Ref your AFHQ/64/2/ST6(a) dated 22 Feb 45:-

1. I have discussed the questions of supply of Fresh Fruit, Fresh Vegetables and Mis and Dis with our "Q" who has spoken to your "Q" about the suggestions contained in your minute. My "Q" agrees that it would simplify the present procedure if the suggestions were accepted and is writing to your "Q" to this effect. You should therefore be receiving a decision within the next few days.

2. I understand that the procedure now suggested was requested in the first place but not agreed. I certainly would like to see it introduced.

Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

KFC/gmc

Adm Instr
@ 110.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

SUBJECT:- Maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces

AFHQ/64/2/ST6(a)

Tel: Freedom 499

23 February 1945

ADST,
MMIA (2)

Reply @ 103
Admin Letter @ 110.

1. A review of the present system of rationing of the Italian Armed Forces has shown two directions in which, it is thought, improvement could be effected without in any way derogating from the basic principles of supply already agreed upon.

2. Fresh Fruit and Fresh Vegetables

The existing instructions lay down that the Italians will provide these two commodities under their own arrangements, but that where these arrangements break down, provision action will be taken by the appropriate British supply depot and a Debit Voucher raised against the Italian Government through MMIA.

3. Experience in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No.1 District all points to the fact that the Italians seldom are in a position to provision for themselves and as a result, British supply units are being burdened with a considerable amount of unreasonably detailed clerical work. Accordingly, it is strongly recommended by this Directorate that Fresh Fruit and Vegetables for BR-ITIS in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No.1 District be supplied through normal RASC channels and the two items be included on the ST 8. This would not involve any change in responsibility for the ration scale because the Fruit and Vegetables would still be provisioned by the Italian Government, but for convenience would be purchased by the RASC and then debited to the Italian Government on MMIA Form ST 8 along with the other commodities supplied on repayment.

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4. Miscellaneous and Disinfectant Items

At the present, the paradoxical position obtains whereby a scale of Mis and Dis items is laid down by MMIA but the allocation under the scale is made from Rome, with the result that the supply cannot be adjusted to meet sudden moves of Italian formations. It is not clear how this system originated but it is quite clear that it doesn't work. Our recommendation is that, again in respect of BR-ITIS in Fifth and Eighth Armies and No.1 District, the Army or District be entitled to issue according to the scales to

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5. Will you please discuss these two points with your Staff and report whether they are acceptable. We are anxious to see them introduced as soon as possible, if your Staff agrees.

G.J. BEAN Lt.-Col.,
for Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: 'Q' (Maint)

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SUBJECT:- Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/102
16 Feb 45.

DST, AFHQ.

Ref your AFHQ/64/6/ST6 dated 24 Feb 45.

1. This is to confirm that all items of subsistence received in Italian Depots for re-issue to BR-ITIs, including the Italian Royal Navy is being charged to the Italian Government and due credit is given to the British Government.

Lt. Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

TTR/gmc

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Ref'd to 106

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S1/73 (also on)
Copies in S1/111 (Corps)
S1/160 (Liqo)

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
S/AG/5

20 Feb 1945

M.M.I.A. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 22

1. OBJECT.

The object of this Instruction is to clarify the scales, sources of provision and method of distribution for certain supplies to the ITALIAN Army.

2. AUTHORITY.

This instruction is issued consequent to AFHQ orders contained in Signal FX29188 of 18 Feb 45 and in conjunction with the Instruction Number 3630/SI of 20 Feb issued by the ITALIAN Ministry of War.

3. APPLICATION.

Except where specifically otherwise indicated, this Instruction applies to BR-ITIS (Combat and Service tps) and any tps of other categories which may be temporarily maintained through BR-ITI channels. The scales given are applicable to all categories of tps.

4. ADM DIVS.

In order that Combat tps may not be worried in unnecessary adm details in the rear and to enable BR-ITIS to be self supporting with the minimum Br assistance, it has been decided that the BR-ITI Adm Divs shall take adm responsibility as far as possible for all BR-ITI tps (Combat and Service Tps).

5. RATIONS.

(a) The standard ration scale for the Italian Army (all categories) is:- G128

Allied provided Items.

Flour	15 oz.
Dried vegetables	2 oz.
Meat, canned, or fish preserved	3 oz.
Cheese	1 oz.
Sugar	1 oz.
Macaroni	3 ox.
Rice or FLOUR	1 oz.

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Macaroni	3 ox.
Rice or FLOUR	1 oz.
Vegetables, dehydrated	1 oz.
Catsup, or tomato paste	1½ oz.
Coffee	1 oz.
Pepper	1/200 oz.

ITALIAN provided Items.

Fruit, Fresh	4 oz.
Vegetables, Fresh	8 oz.
Olive Oil, 1 oz, plus ½ oz shelled nuts or 1 oz unshelled nuts	1 oz.
Nuts, Shelled, or	2 oz.
Nuts, unshelled	4 oz.
Salt	½ oz.
Wine, litre	1 box
Matches, per 7 rations	or 2 books

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The special allotment of salt for use in bakeries set out in MMIA letters AG/2-30 of 8 Jan 45 and AG/2-35 of 20 Feb 45 remains unchanged. The provision of this extra salt is an ITALIAN provided item.

(b) Indent, provision and issue of the Allied portion to BR-ITIS.

(i) In Fifth Army, Eight Army and One District.

Indent, provision and issue is through normal ST channels to Unit.

(ii) In remainder of ITALY - SICILY - SARDINIA.

MMIA indent on ST for issue into Italian Main Depots. Issue from Italian Main Depots to Units is through Italian channels.

(c) Indent, provision and issue of the ITALIAN provided portion to BR-ITIS.

(i) In Fifth Army, Eight Army and One District.

ST indents on MMIA who will instruct the Italian Government to make available to ST Base Depots (normally 14 CRASC). Delivery from ST Base Depots to unit is through ST channels.

When considered desirable by ST, local purchase is made under ST arrangements and necessary vouchers sent to MMIA for a cash claim to be made against the Italian Government.

(ii) In remainder of ITALY - SICILY - SARDINIA.

The provision and issue is an ITALIAN responsibility through ITALIAN channels.

6. CIGARETTES.

(a) (i) FREE ISSUE: Scale is 5 cigarettes per man per day for ALL tps of all categories.

(ii) ADDITIONAL FREE ISSUE: An additional free issue has now been authorised for certain tps on a scale of 5 per man per day. At the time this new scale was announced the Italian Government had NOT taken any provision action and did NOT have stocks available. It is estimated that supplies will have been distributed to meet this new commitment by 7 Mar 45. Any issue made prior to that date will com

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(a) ALL tps fwd of Fifth and Eight Army Rear Boundaries.

(b) FRIULI, CREMONA, LEGNANO, FOLGORE AND MANTOVA Combat Groups, wherever located.

(c) CESANO Combat Group Rfts Centre.

(iii) REPAYMENT CIGARETTES.

(a) The ITALIAN Government supply certain quantities of cigarettes for issue by the Italian Authorities upon repayment. The scale of provision is 5 per day per man as far as supplies will permit. These cigarettes are normally of the "MILIT" brand. The responsibility of obtaining payment from the tps is that of the Italian Military authorities.

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(b) Indent, provision and issue of FREE ISSUE cigarettes to BR-ITIS.

(i) In Fifth Army, Eight Army and One District.

ST indents on MMLA for the required quantity. MMLA will instruct the ITALIAN Government to hand over to ST at 1A CRASC or such other place as may be agreed. Delivery from ST Depots to Units is through ST channels.

(ii) In remainder of ITALY - SICILY - SARDINIA the provision and issue is an ITALIAN responsibility through ITALIAN channels.

(c) Indent, provision and issue of REPATRIEE CIGARETTES to BR-ITIS.

(i) In Fifth Army, Eight Army and One District the Adm Div (231 Div, 225 Div and 209 Div) will demand on War Ministry the requisite quantity for ALL BR-ITI tps in the Div Area and any other tps for whom the Div has Adm responsibility. MMLA LO will inform HQ MMLA of the quantities demanded. HQ MMLA will instruct the Italian Government to hand the quantity to ST Base Depots or direct to Adm Div if from a local factory. ST will deliver fwd to Adm Divs such quantities as have been handed to ST Depots. The responsibility of distribution and collection of payments is that of the Adm Div. MMLA is responsible for informing the D.S.T. of any quantities handed direct to Adm Divs in order that ST Depots may consign their supply accordingly.

(ii) In remainder of ITALY - SICILY - SARDINIA the provision, issue and sale is an ITALIAN responsibility through Italian channels.

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7. SOAP.

(a) Scale upon which the Italian Government bases provision action is:-

(i) 300 grammes per man per month for all tps fwd of Fifth and Eight Army Rear Boundaries.

(ii) 250 grammes per man per month for all tps behind Fifth and Eight Army Rear Boundaries.

(iii) 200 grammes per mule or horse per month.

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(iii) Special issues of soap from BR sources for special purposes is covered by Q/OS/1 of 14 Feb 45.

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8. COGNAC.

(a) A quantity of cognac is being provided by the Italian Government. The total requirement has to be found by local requisition and considerable difficulty is anticipated. The official scale up to which issues can be made is:-

(i) 3 centilitres for 15 days each month (normally on alternate days) for Combat Groups actually engaged in the line.

(ii) 3 centilitres twice per week to

ALL tps forward of Fifth and Eight Army Rear Boundaries not receiving (i) above

CESANO Combat Gps 2Pts Centre

MONTOVA Combat Gp

when cold is intense or special strenuous work is undertaken and issue is authorised by Italian Unit Commander.

(b) Issue ceases on 15 April 45.

(c) Indent, provision and issue to BR-ITIS.

As 7 (b) (i) and (ii) above.

9. STORES AND EQUIPMENT ORDNANCE.

(a) BRITISH PROVIDED ITEMS.

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(ii) For BR-ITI Service Units, where entitlement and necessity exists for Br supplied items, issue is made through the Br Unit or Formation under whose comd the BR-ITI Unit has been placed.

(b) ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS.

ALL requirements for BR-ITI Units (Combat and Service) will be demanded from the appropriate Adm Div. It is the responsibility of the appropriate Adm Div to hold such

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(b) ITALIAN PROVIDED ITEMS.

ALL requirements for BR-ITI Units (Combat and Service) will be demanded from the appropriate Adm Div. It is the responsibility of the appropriate Adm Div to hold such stocks and obtain required items as will enable them adequately to support the tps under their adm comd.

10. ENGINEER STORES.

Same procedure as para 9 above.

11. GENERAL ADM FOR COMBAT GP TAIL UNITS.

Fifth and Eight Army are asked to instruct the Adm Divs and PMLA LO which Combat Gp Tail Units they require to be the general Adm responsibility of the Adm Div.

12. Nothing in this instruction alters the present arrangements by which units of one category if located in territory mainly administered by another category (e.g. ITI-ITI Cd Bn in a Fwd Army Area) is maintained under the local arrangements when operationally necessary, the resultant accounts being adjusted by PMLA in accordance with national responsibility.

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15. PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS.

Where previous instructions either MMLA or Italian Government conflict, this instruction will rule.

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HQ No. 2 District for Q.
HQ No. 3 District for Q.
HQ PBS
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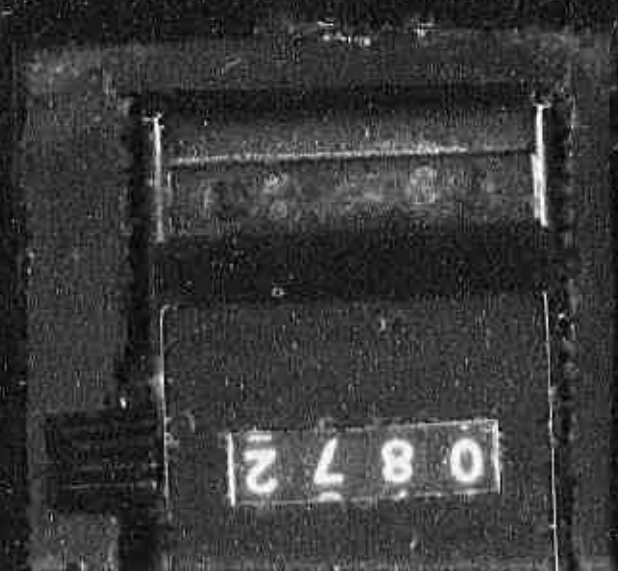
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