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SUBJECT: Tires and Tubes

ARMY SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)
HQ., A.C.C.
HOME
AQ/5/5
30 August 1944

TO : HQ AAI (DW)

1. Your ref: 1746/DW dated 29 Aug 44.
2. Fifty each tires and tubes size 750 x 20 were released to 274 Work Sect R.E. on 27 August 44.
3. Present stocks do not permit the release of the requested one hundred, but they will be assigned as available.

Rex E. Pinkley
REX E. PINKLEY, Major
for Major-General
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

Copy to:
HQ 3 Dist (CE) —

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No record of letter 1746/DW dated 29 Aug 44.

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Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

11 July 1944

SUBJECT: Tyres for Civilian Use.

TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission, Region 6

1. Reference your TPTN/1611 dated 6 June 1944.
2. This matter has been discussed with HQ., M.M.I.A. and it is regretted that authority cannot be granted for the release of Italian Army tyres for civilian use owing to the necessity of conserving the very meagre stocks in possession.

For Colonel P. L. Simmons:

P.M.M.

P.M.M. EGERTON

Major, R.I.R.P.

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File: Antismoking

Subject: Tyres for Civilian use.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUITE (LECCE)
AQ/5/2.

7 July 44.

Col. F. L. SIMMONS, MMIA LO.
Thru' Allied Garrison Comd. SARDINIA

Ref your letter Y FLS/rrc dated 3 Jul 44.

It is essential to conserve the very meagre stocks of tyres and M.T. spares held in Italian depots for the use of the Italian Armed Forces.

Stocks are virtually nil; but in any case we have no authority to release Italian Army stores to civilians.

F. J. Noakes
Major General.
Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.

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by Comd.*

Ed. Automation Dept.

Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

3 July 1944

SUBJECT: Tires for Civilian Use.

TO : Commanding General, Army Sub Commission, A.C.C., Legale.

1. The inclosed letter from Region VI, A.C.C. is forwarded with the request that this office be informed if any policy whereby Italian Army stocks are to be made available to civilians has been approved by HQIA.

F. L. SIMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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File: Automotive

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION VI

6 June 1944

TO : Col. P.L. Simmons, Army Sub-Commission, A.C.C. Sardinia.
SUBJECT : Tires from Italian Army Supplies.
REFERENCE : TPCW/1611.

1. Reference is made to our conversation on 2 June 1944 concerning urgent needs of tires for certain civilian uses.
2. The following list includes three of the most critical immediate needs:

User	Size	Number	
		Tires	Tubes
S.I.T.A. (Bus line)	230x30	21	21 1101
S.I.T.A. (Bus line)	34x7	9	9
Eng. Gelli: Tram Line	600x16	5	5
Eng. Solleno, State Railways	600x16	5	5

3. The tires requested are needed to allow the operation of Bus Lines on a skeleton plan, and furnish transportation for two important administration offices - the State Railway System of Sardinia and the Tramway System of Cagliari.
4. Your cooperation in securing these tires and tubes will be of great assistance.

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For the Regional Commissioner,

KAL

HENRY A. HALE,
Col. Inf.
Executive Officer.

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File: Automotive

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4 May 1944

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INFO: AIR FORCES SUBCOMMISSION AAI ALMN ECH

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FOX 448

ANSWERING YOUR MIKE ONE FIVE EIGHT EIGHT FIVE PD SIZES AND NUMBER OF TIRES
ITALIAN WATER CARRYING VEHICLES DESIRED RETAINED HERE FOLLOW CLN THREE FOUR
BY SEVEN CMA ONE SIX SMCLN THREE SIX BY EIGHT CMA SIX SMCLN AND TWO SEVEN ZERO
BY TWENTY CMA TWELVE PD REQUEST CONFIRM VEHICLES CAN BE RETAINED HERE

(Info: ACC/ASC)

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LT. COL. EL

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File: Helandore

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PRIORITY 011705 B SECRET

FROM EAKER

TO FALCON FOR WEBSTER, 42 BOMB WING

CITE M 15885

CITE 3275 DATED APRIL 15 CURRENT FOR YOUR INFORMATION FROM AIR FORCES
SUB-COMMISSION CONCERNING TIRES FOR WATER CARRYING VEHICLES. REQUEST
THIS HEADQUARTERS BE INFORMED AS TO SIZE AND NUMBER OF TIRES ON WATER
CARRYING VEHICLES YOU WISH TO RETAIN ON ISLAND AS AIR SUB-COMMISSION
HAS RULED THAT THEY HAVE NO OBJECTION TO YOU RETAINING THESE VEHICLES
IF SAME NUMBER OF TIRES FITTED ^{ON} THESE VEHICLES ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO
ITALIAN AIR FORCE IN ITALY FROM ALLIED SOURCE

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RESRIPT 2 MAY 1944 /rrc

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ALLIED GARRISON OF CARDINIA
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2 MAY 44

PRIORITY 011705 (Inches)

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NIKE ONE FIVE EIGHT EIGHT FIVE PAREN

CITE THREE TWO SEVEN FIVE DATED APRIL ON FIVE CERRENT FOR YOUR
INFORMATION FROM AIR OFRCS SUB COMMISSION CONCERNING EAT TIRES
FOR WATER CARRYING VEHICLES ID REQUEST THIS HEADQUARTERS BE INFORMED
AS TO SIZE AND NUMBER OF TIRES ON WATER CARRYING VEHICLES YOU WISH TO
RETAIN ON ISLAND AS AIR SUB COMMISSION HAS RULED THAT THEY HAVING
OBJECTION TO YOU RETAINING RPT RETAINING THESE VEHICLES IE SAME
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M/C NO. 2

PAREN TO FALCON FOR WEBSTER CMA FOUR TWO BOMBING FROM BAKER CITE
MIKE ONE FIVE EIGHT EIGHT FIVE PAREN

CITE THREE TWO SEVEN FIVE DATED APRIL ONE FIVE CURRENT FOR YOUR
INFORMATION FROM AIR OFFICERS SUB COMMISSION CONCERNING EXT TINES
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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.F.O. 509, U.S. Army

25 March 1944

SUBJECT: Motor Transport

TO : Commander Army Sub Commission, Army Sub Commission (A.C.C.)

1. In answer to letter, AQ/5/1 of 8 February 1944 to HQ. No. 1 District and FABLE for Colonel SIMONS, the following information is submitted.

2. (A) The Italian Intendenza of Sardinia reports that the total number of MT vehicles serving the Italian Forces at present is:

vehicles	3786
motorcycles	1943

(B) Number of vehicles of the total given in "A" above 1156 which may reasonably be expected to be on the road at any one time and the length of time this total can be maintained by means of cannibalisation, and use of other available spares.

approximately	1500
approximately	8-10,000 miles

3. Estimate of the minimum number of vehicles which the Italians will need in order to carry out their commitment of moving supplies etc., as laid down in AFHQ letter No. AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - ABC of 9 January as reported by the Chief of Staff, Comando Militare della Sardegna is 170 trucks.

F. L. SIMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

TRANSLATION VJT

MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII A.C.)
Office- Chief of Staff

NO. 211 csm/di prot.

AFO 50, 24 March 1944

MEMO : TO COLONEL SIMMONS

1. Approximate number of medium vehicles (capacity 30-50 quintali) fit for 8-10,000 kilometers: NO.1,220.

2. Number of medium trucks (capacity 30-50 quintali) which are in good running order but cannot be used for long trips: NO.1,400.

3. Number of medium trucks (capacity 30-50 quintali) necessary for the transportation of foodstuffs:

- 60 needed to transport the foodstuffs from the ships to the Base Warehouses.
- 50 needed to transport the foodstuffs from the Base Depot to the 4 main Warehouses.
- 60 needed to transport the foodstuffs from the main warehouses to 9 secondary and 8 temporary warehouses.

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THE CHIEF OF STAFF
Col. Gavino Ledda
Ledda

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDIGNA (MILIT. O. S. S.)
Ufficio del Capo di S.M.

W. 241 *esp. n.* di prot.
E.M. 30.11., 24 marzo 1944

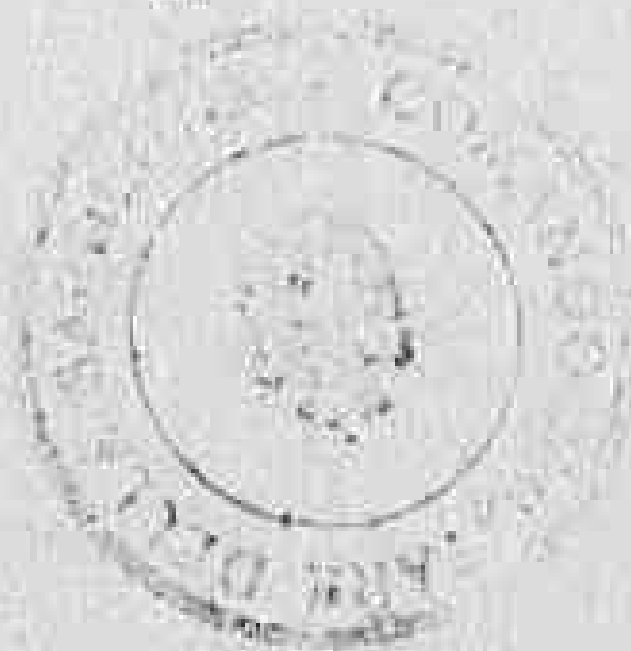
MEMORIA PER L'UFFICIO DEL COLONNELLO SIMMONS

- 1°- Numero approssimativo degli automezzi di portata media dai 30 ai 50 Q.li che alla data odierna possono essere in grado di effettuare la percorrenza dagli 8.000 ai 10.000 Km.n° 1220.
- 2°- Numero di autocarri di portata media dai 30 ai 50 Q.li efficienti ma crenon assicurano lunghe percorrenzen° 1400.
- 3°- Numero degli autocarri di portata media ai 30 ai 50 Q.li necessari per lo smistamento delle derrate:
 - Per lo scarico dei pirocacci e l'ispezione dei magazzini *di base* n° 60;
 - Per lo smistamento delle derrate dal deposito Dese di Cagliari ai 4 magazzini principali.....n° 50;
 - Per lo smistamento dei magazzini principali ai 9 magazzini secondari e agli 8 magazzini temporanei.....n° 60.

IL CAPO DI STAMBO MAGNONE
- Col. Gavino Ledda -

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- 2°- Numero di autocarri di portata media dai 30 ai 50 Q.li efficienti
ma che non assicurano lunghe percorrenzen° 1400.
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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
- Col. Gavino Ledda -

[Signature]

*Recd 24 MARCH 44
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Allied Force Headquarters
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 Army Sub-commission
 A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Transport

TO : C.G. Army Sub-commission, A.C.C.

1. Reference is made to your G/11/1/22 dated 7 March 44. Following information on trucks and staff cars furnished by Intendenza Militare Sardegna as of 20 Feb 1944.

a. Trucks:	Serviceable	Unserviceable	Total
Small van trucks	22	12	34
Auto trucks	1586	1073	2659
Special auto trucks	111	56	167
Small trucks	34	19	53

b. Staff cars:	Serviceable	Unserviceable	Total
	223	133	356

c. Horses: Following information on horses furnished by Intendenza Militare Sardegna as of 29 Feb 44:

Saddle horses: 1470 Draft horses: 1751 Total: 3221.
 Four hundred two (402) of total horses requested by Allies.

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d. Following information on mules furnished by Intendenza Militare Sardegna as of 15 March 1944:

Mules: 455 mules requested by Allies awaiting shipment.
 587 mules remaining with Italian Army.
 1042 Total

2. As of 19 March, Lt Tommasi, officer in charge of motor transport of Gen Lazzarini's headquarters, states that the Italian Army in Corsica had under its control the following vehicles:

Staff cars	Fiat	13	(5)	
Truck, light	Spa L39	1	(1)	
Truck, medium	Fiat	8)		
	Spa 53R	7)		
	Spa Devanque 35	4)	(15)	
Truck, heavy	Lancia 3 RO	8)		
	Fiat 66G	1)		
	O.M. Titanus	1)		
Truck, wrecker	(seccorso) Spa 53	1	(1)	crane
Mobile repair shop		1	(1)	broken
Trailer		1	(1)	
Ambulances		10	(10)	
Motorcycles		14	(3)	

FRE: IND. EQPT. AUTOMOTIVE
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Definite information as to the number of above vehicles which can be put in good running order was unobtainable as the officer in charge of the vehicles, Lieut Tommasi, claims he has not yet had time to inspect them, his mobile repair unit having moved into the present location only about two weeks ago. The best estimates made appear in parenthesis in the above list. Lieut Tommasi claimed that no repair materials are on hand, the French having taken all repair materials on the island. The above vehicles have been earmarked for shipment to Sardinia. The claimed reason why these vehicles are so poor is that the French authorities after inspecting all of the Italian vehicles, selected the best for themselves.

In addition to the above vehicles, the Italians have under their control at present, and available for their use, but earmarked for transfer to the French, the following vehicles:

Staff cars.....	8
Truck, light.....	33
Truck, heavy.....	30
Truck, medium.....	16
Motorcycles.....	20
Motorcycles (three wheeler).....	46
Autobus.....	1
Water truck.....	2

All of these vehicles are claimed to be in good running order.

3. As of the 17th of March, Capt Macchi, Acting Chief of Staff for Gen Lazzarini of the Italian Army in Corsica, states that they have no horses or mules.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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SUBJECT: MT Vehs Serving the Italian Forces.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Rear HQ (LMTA)
LEWILLE (LFOCE)
AG/5/1
8 Feb 44.

HQ No. 1 District.
PARLE for Col. EDMONS.

AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon - for information.

1. I forward at Annexure 1 a copy for information of my letter, AG/5/1 of 29 Jan 44 to AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon.
2. Will you please forward a report on the MT at present in possession of the Italian Forces covering the following points :
 - (a) Total number of MT vehs serving the Italian Forces under your adm.
 - (b) Number vehs of the total given in (a) above which may reasonably be expected to be on the road at any one time and the length of time this total can be maintained by means of cannibalisation and use of other available spares.
3. Will you further give your estimate of the minimum number of vehicles which the Italian will need to control in order to carry out their commitment of moving supplies etc, as laid down in AFHQ letter No. AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - AGM of 9 Jan.

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1000 miles
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[Signature]

Brigadier.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

FJH/TVS.

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Feb 1944

File: Equipment
Automotive

SUBJECT: M.T. Vehicles ITALIAN ARMY.

EXHIBIT 1

Military Mission to
Italian Army.
AO/5/1
29 Jan 44

AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon.
HQ, ACMP - ref para 3 (a)

Comdg General FBS
HQ No 2 District.
HQ No 3 District.

for information.

1. I forward at Appendix 'A' extracts from a report EMB/1 of 27 Jan addressed to D.D.M.E. AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon. The report disclosed that of the 2341 trucks on strength of the Italian Army in Italy on 7 Jan only about 400 are estimated to be serviceable. The remainder are not worth repair on Allied standards but can be kept going in steadily reducing numbers by cannibalisation.

2. It is noteworthy that this figure of 400 corresponds closely to the 450 vehicles on strength of the Italian Motorised Group operating with MAFH Army: on whose maintenance Comdg Gen FBS commented in his 451.01 of 31 Dec, reproduced at Appendix 'B'.

3. In view of the serious situation disclosed, I recommend the following policy in the order of priority stated: -

- (a) That the Italian Army be allotted sufficient Allied vehicles to carry out the food distribution responsibilities laid down in AFHQ letter No AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - ACM of 9 Jan.
- (b) That Allied vehicles sufficient for food, water, technical equipment and minimum supervision be allotted to all Italian units (except DAPINO Motorized Cp) now employed by Allies in both Combat Zone and L of G areas.
- (c) The same for all Italian units due to be formed for Allied purposes under HQ, ACMP 1605/50/4/1/SD1 of 24 Jan.
- (d) The DAPINO Motorised Group is due to be expanded to a combat division of strength, 12,000. When this is done it is recommended that it be organised on the establishment of a normal infantry division which is shown in Handbook of the Italian Army 1943 at 363 MT vehicles.

4. I will forward later estimated requirements for 3 (a), 3 (b) and 3 (c) above.

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TVS.

Sgd: G.C. DUCESSE,
Brig.
Comd.

Extracts from IRE/1 of 27 Jan.APPENDIX 'A'

5. Working up these % figures to the MT vehicle state as at 7 Jan 44 the following table shows clearly the position.

Actual Nos. (corrected since 21st Jan)	Condition-as mileage expires.	English standard of repairs if any.
A 116	Vehicles used up to 10,000 miles.	1st line.
B 282	" " 10,000 to 25,000 "	2nd to 3rd line.
(1 1171	" " 25,000 to 100,000 "	4th - Base.
C (2 176	" " 25,000 up & awaiting spares.	" "
(3 596	Vehicles should be scrapped.	" "
2741		

W/Cs fair 40% Scrap 40% Repairable 20%

6. Considering these estimated figures and remarks of mileage and condition it will be seen that very few vehicles are really road-worthy and of the remainder it does not appear reasonable to think of a repair programme in view of the spares situation.

7. Spare Parts.

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Present stock available is totally inadequate to meet requirements as above and breaking down for spares is being resorted to as far as possible, and it is to be expected that only worn parts would be available in view of the large mileage of most of the vehicles available for this breaking down. There is NO factory supply as all the main producers are in the North of ITALY. Manufacture of small parts is very small with the plant available but ballraces, pistons, clutch and brake linings; electrical parts etc, cannot be manufactured in these parts. Estimated quantity of assorted spares in stock at present is about 10 - 15 tons only, including heavy parts such as cylinder heads and blocks, radiators etc.

9. Tyres.

The position of these is identical to that of spares, tyres and spares having been in the same stores as mentioned.

11. Workshops.

The Italians have endeavoured to put small services into operation at the following place, but without much success: -

9 Autieri Regt Workshops, only small shop, but all useful plant moved to 12 ABW at MOLPETTA.

14. The final situation of the workshops to be IARI and MESSAGG on the one side

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19. On the other hand any useful plant and workshops seem to have been taken from them by the Allies. See enclosed letter dated 24 Jan from the Italian Ministry of War, ref the 10 Autieri Regt MAPLES.

AEP/MLA 'B'

TRANSLATION.

451.91 BPPCG
31 Dec 43.

From: Comando del P.B.S.

To : Generale Antonio Basso, Cte FF.AA della CAMPANIA.

1. Repeated requests have been made to you to supply vehs to replace battle losses in 1st Mob Bde Gp also tyres and spare parts for the upkeep of these vehs. To date no vehs and very few spares have been furnished.
2. 1st Mob Bde Gp cannot operate successfully without the necessary support of Italian Supply Organizations. It is essential that immediate and active steps be taken to obtain the vehs previously requested, as well as a reasonable stock of spare parts and tyres for Italian units in service with the 5th Army and P.B.S.
3. On a request by your I.O. Lt Col SCIALLA, the necessary documents were given to Lt Col TRAPANESE of the 10th Autocentre to enable him to collect vehs spare parts and tyres which were in the hands of civilians. It seems that after several weeks, Lt Col TRAPANESE and his unit produced almost negative results and so far as we know not a single vehicle has been supplied to 1st Mob Bde Gp.
4. This situation must be corrected immediately otherwise we shall have to inform 5th Army that FF.AA HQ, CAMPANIA is not capable of supporting the Bde Gp in battle. 1148

An early reply indicating the measures you intend to take to solve this unsatisfactory situation will be appreciated.

(Sgd.) A.W. FENCE.

7 March 1944

Subject: State of Military Transport in Sardinia

To : Col. Simmons

Summary of Tour of Inspection

This investigation was inaugurated by instructions of Hq. Land Forces Sub-Commission for the purpose of gathering factual information of the state of Military vehicles in Sardinia.

Accompanied by Major Hall R.E.M.E., specialist in M/C transport, sent to Sardinia on instructions of Brig Duchesne to inspect transport, we arrived at Macomer on the 29th of Feb 1944, had a conference with Col Capello, Military Intendenza.

March 1st: Inspected vehicles and construction shops of the 13th Parco Automobilistico. In the afternoon visited Pantilatino, inspecting vehicles and stores.

March 2nd: Visited Bonana, inspecting the F.I.A.T. workshops, then on to Osclaire and visited workshops where boots and uniforms are being reconditioned from discarded stores, see report attached. We were asked to make this visit by Col. Capello as he is very proud of this factory, and rightly so.

The afternoon was spent in Monti where an inspection of mobile heavy workshops was made, then on to Sassari's light workshops. 1147

March 3rd: We arrived in San Luri, met Brig Gen Morigi, Giorgio. Had conference and made arrangements to visit the mobile units of the Nembo Division, recognized the best equipped division in Sardinia.

March 4th: Inspected vehicles in San Luri, then on to Guspini to inspect vehicles and workshop stores; in the afternoon, inspected at Sardara and Gennastanadiga and inspected vehicles and workshops.

March 5th: Conference with Brig General of Nembo Div Command Hq, and returned to Cagliari same day.

(4) State and number of vehicles, personnel, and workshops is determined in Major Hall's report of 7 February 1944, of all places visited. A report on general conditions of the Division, on instructions of Brig General, is attached.

Officers Interviewed on Tour of Inspection
General Morigi, Giorgio-in charge of Nembo Div
Colonel Capello, Giuseppe-Chief of Staff Nembo Div
Lt Col Maccari, Bruno-o/c 13 Parco Automobilistico
Major Baccari, Arturo-Chief of Transport in Sardinia
Lt Vitale, Ettore-Chief of M.T. Section
Lt Russo, Serafina-Chief of Workshops

Enclosures:

Appendix "A"--General conditions of the Nembo Div
Appendix "B"--Medicinal Deficiencies Appendix "C"--Transport left in Corsica.

FILE : INSPECTION NOTES

*P. H. Bond. J. S. M.
Capt. A.C.C.*

Land Forces Sub Commission

7 March 1944

To: Col. Simmons

/ In answer to letter, AQ/5/1 of 8 Feb 44 to HQ No. 1 District and FABLE for Col. SIMMONS.

The following information has been gathered -

2 (A) Total number of MT vehs serving the Italian Forces under your command: 3786
M/C's 1943

(B) Number vehs of the total given in "A" above which may reasonably be expected to be on the road at any one time and the length of time this total can be maintained by means of cannibalisation, and use of other available spares.

approx. 1500

approx. 8-10,000 miles

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(3) Estimate of the minimum number of vehs which the Italians will need to control in order to carry out their commitment of moving supplies etc, as laid down in AFHQ letter No. AG 400 - 1 (ITALY) GDS - AMG of 9 Jan.-

This is already in operation and the estimated transport use from ship to Italian Warehouse ARMY NAVY and AIR FORCE approx 46 vehs -

For further information regarding "A" and "E" above, the figures have been extracted from E.M.E. report of the 7th Feb. addressed to you,-

C. Howard-Rosen
Capt. A.C.C.

File: Equipment Automotive

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7 March 1944

Subject: Report on M.T. Vehicles, M.T. Workshops, & Tradesmen
Personnel. Italian Army in Sardinia.

To: Commander Army Sub-Commission, Army Sub-Commission (A.C.C.)

Copy To: D.D.M.E., AFHQ Adv. Adm. Ech.
Land Forces Sub-Commission
File D.A.D.M.E.

Ref: EME/2

1. I have studied the state of vehicles and workshops in Sardinia and have paid particular attention to the Nembo Division which is believed to be the best equipped on the island. From information obtained and general observation it appears that all the better vehicles of other units have been handed to Nembo Division, and this fact has been taken into consideration in assessing the whole state of the M.T. in the island.

2. From the examination of about 300 vehicles, the following is the approximate position.

Total vehicles on island.....	3786	
Vehicles fit for 8/10,000 miles after 1st line attention..	1100..%	30 1145
Vehicles fit for 8/10,000 miles after 2nd line attention...	793..%	20
Vehicles for scrap and cannabalization.....	1893..%	50
Totals	3786	%100

Total Motorcycles....1943

Good and repairable.....	1140..%	60
For scrapping and Cannabalization.....	803..%	40
Totals	1943..%	100

Of the vehicles, most are load carriers and staff cars are very short (mainly due to tire shortage) and it is suggested that small SPA forward drive trucks might be used in place.

3. Spare Parts. There are about 80 or 90 tons of new parts of a fairly general nature, but many quick moving items are short.

4. Tires. Only an hundred or two of these are in stores, but most vehicles are very well shod and from the vehicles it is suggested to scrap, there should be a sufficient supply to fit up vehicles for mileages as estimated.

5. Workshops. There is only one proper workshop, 13 Parco Automobilistico, equal to our 3rd line in size but not mobile. It is at Abbasanta, just over half way up the main West road of the island, map ref. Sassari 1/1000000. 5982. Plan of workshop is attached showing layout and plant. It is not fully completed but could be worked as a good 2nd-3rd line shop in its present state.

2.

Personnel attached....71 skilled trades
 203 semi-skilled trades
 10 officers (including 1 Lt Col)
 Mobile machinery vehicles.....6
 Breakdown vehicles, light.....3
 Breakdown vehicles, heavy.....2

6. Mobile Workshops. These are small and dotted about on various units. Their makeup is 1 machinery wagon, 1 recovery vehicle, all in charge of a sergeant with about 10 or 12 men. Vehicles are either heavy or light according to circumstances. On these services are:

 58 Mobile shop units
 58 Non-commissioned officers-sergeants
 633 ORs-tradesmen
 Vehicles.....41 light machinery vehicles
 21 heavy machinery vehicles
 12 light breakdown vehicles
 21 heavy breakdown vehicles
 4 recovery trailers

7. Personnel. Totals as follows:

	Technical officers	Skilled or Semi-skilled ORs
13 Parco.....	10.....	274
Mobile Services.....		691
At Hq of M.T.....	4.....	
Total.....	14.....	965

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About 20 civilian tradesmen are also employed. Each regiment has two or three regimental fitters of doubtful ability.

8. General Remarks. The director of motorization, Maj. Bochari, was most obstructive and did not know anything of his department and did not seem at all worried when it was pointed out, during the inspection of workshops with him, that no work was being done and there was no organization. It is suggested that this man should be removed and replaced with someone with energy and organizing ability.

9. General impression of vehicles maintainance..none.
 General impression of workshops..completely organized disorganization!

10. Outline of task system and organization of workshops to centralize at Abbasanta given, pending confirmation through Italian Ministry of War.

11. Having studied the mainland and Sardinia, it is felt that the situation in Sardinia is considerably better; vehicles and spares are better and production of 1800 or 1900 serviceable vehicles could be obtained in a fairly reasonable time with the services available on the island.

/s/ C.A. HALL
 Major, D.A.D.M.E.

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UNIT NAME

OFFICER COMMANDING

LOCATION

✓ Bonorva

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Officers

2

103

2

Find out more here

103

Total Material in Jetty Zone

107

15 quintals

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Registration Number

4. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 2000; 284: 1039-1044.

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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub-commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

20 March 1944

SUBJECT: Request for Materials (Letter, Intendenza, 4 Feb 1944)

TO : C. G., Italian Forces in Sardinia
(Attention Military Intendenza Sardinia)

1. With reference to letter of 4 February, information is requested as to whether materials requested are available in depots of the Continent provided transportation can be provided.

P. L. SIMONS,
Colonel, Infantry,
Representative in
Sardinia.

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FILE AUTOMOTIVE (COPY)
FROM ORIGINAL IND. E9P.

TRANSLATION NJT 11/2/44

MILITARY INTENDANCE SARDINIA
Office Chief of Staff

No 3243 SM

APC 50, 4 February 1944

Subject: Request for materials

To : Colonel Simmons, Representative in Sardinia of the AGC
For information: Military Headquarters of Sardinia (MHI C. A.)

1. As noted, the Italian troops residing in Sardinia cannot receive supplies from the continent and, therefore, the situation for some merchandise which cannot be produced on the island is becoming all the more a preoccupation.

2. I deem it opportune to bring to the attention of your commission several requests for materials which are particularly urgent.

- Appendix 1. Automobile equipment
- Appendix 2. Paper and cardboard
- Appendix 3. Various materials for printing and writing
- Appendix 4. Writing materials

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3. The requests represent the indispensable necessities, calculating the minimum needs for six months. I trust that your commission will benevolently draft the above-mentioned requests.

THE INTERIM
(Lt. Col. SC/S Mario Capello)

File: Automotive

TRANSLATION 6 MARCH 1944

TIRE NEEDS FOR SIX MONTHS

Types of tires and inner-tubes for which need is greatest since, they are totally lacking in the warehouses on the island.

- 5.00 X 15 for Fiat 508 C.	number 600
- 5.00 X 18 " " " GM.	" 600
- 6.00 X 16 " " GM. Torp. Col.	" 1,000
- 5.50 X 15 " " 1500	" 600
- 3.50 X 19 for almost all types of motorcycles in the Royal Army	" 3,000
- 21.0 X 20 for Fiat 626 and Bianchi Miles trucks	" 600

We also request as being urgently needed;

- tire cement (hot and cold tire patching equipment.
- calcium carbide

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TRANSLATION 6 MARCH 1944

PAPER AND CARDBOARD NEEDS FOR SIX MONTHS FOR THE ITALIAN TROOPS
LOCATED IN SARDINIA

White printing paper glued half fine weight per square meter - about 55 grams size - 64 x 88 centimeters	quintals 130
Scratch paper glued half fine weight per square meter - about 80 grams size - 64 x 88 centimeters	" 130
Filing paper (fine) weight per square meter - about 115 grams size - 64 x 88 centimeters	" 30
Wrapping paper weight per square meter - about 120 grams size - 75 x 100 centimeters	" 20
Cardboard for folders weight per square meter - 225 grams size 70 x 100 centimeters	" 20
Grey cardboard for binding size 70 x 100 centimeters	" 20
TOTAL	Quintals 350 1139

Note. Samples of the above mentioned items are attached to this letter.

TRANSLATION 6 MARCH 1944

PRINTING AND BOOK BINDING NEEDS FOR SIX MONTHS FOR THE ITALIAN TROOPS
LOCATED IN SARDINIA

* Black printing ink	Quintals	15
- Ink for illustrations	"	3
- Oil to dilute printing ink	"	2.5
- Drying oil	"	2.5
- Paste for the rollers	"	2.5
- Strong thread for book binding	meters	50,000
- Canvas for book binding (width 45 centimeters)	"	500
- Wire for book binding (rolls)	number	2
- Wire for binding folders thickness - 12 mm. (rolls)	"	40
- Martine hand brushes for carpenters (for gluing)	"	10
- Book binding canvas (rolls - size 0.97 x 50 meters)	rolls	50

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TRANSLATION 6 MCH 1944

WRITING MATERIAL NEEDED FOR SIX MONTHS FOR THE ITALIAN TROOPS LOCATED
IN SARDINIA

- Small bottles of black India ink	number	2,500
- Small bottles of red India ink	"	500
- Folders for filing	"	40,000
- Scratch pads of 100 sheets size- 16 x 22	"	25,000
- Lined scratch pads of 100 sheets size- 16 x 22	"	500
- Lined writing paper (sheets)	"	1,000
- 1 liter bottles of liquid glue	"	1,000
- 1 liter bottles of black ink	"	2,500
- 1 liter bottles of red ink	"	500
- Erasers for pencils	"	8,000
- Ink erasers	"	8,000
- Typewriter erasers	"	5,000
- Scratch paper for drawing	"	2,000
- Rolls of tracing paper (size 1.20 x 20)	"	20
- Rolls of lined paper size 0.75 x 10 meters	"	20
- Reams of sulphite typing paper each 400 sheets	"	6,000
- Reams of mimeographing paper each 400 sheets	"	3,000
- Reams of white bond paper (not lined)	"	4,000
- Reams of white bond paper lined	"	4,000
- Reams of white bond paper - squared	"	4,000
- Large envelopes (file size)	"	25,000
- Medium size envelopes (half file size)	"	200,000
- Small envelopes ($\frac{1}{4}$ file size)	"	500,000
- Desk pins (boxes)	"	2,000
- Jars of white glue	"	1,500
- Bicolored pencils	dozens	1,000
- Black pencils	"	2,500
- Indelible pencils	"	1,000
- Ink for rubber stamps (small bottles)	"	1,200
- Fountain pen ink (small bottles)	"	2,500
- Bottles of mimeographing ink	"	2,500
- Boxes of paper clips	"	2,500
- Boxes of assorted pens	"	2,500
- Klotters (sheets)	"	10,000
- Boxes of carbon paper (100 sheets each)	"	1,000
- Klottling pen holders	"	500
- Typewriter ribbons	"	2,000
- Mimeograph stencil sheets	"	8,000

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LCIK V LJKD NR3 PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL
FROM: FABLE FROM DUNLOP NR89 241540A
TO : MOV FLAMEO FOR FITCH
GR--BT

ONE TRUCK HEAD IS OPERATED BY THE ITALIAN ARMY AT MACOMER STOP
CONTAINS 595 TRUCKS 30 AND 60 QUINTAL CAPACITY, EQUALLY DIVIDED,
330 OF WHICH ARE OUT OF OPERATION ACCOUNT LACK OF TIRES AND
PARTS STOP CIVILIAN TRUCKS REGISTERED AS FOLLOWS CLN OVER
40 QUINTAL CAPACITY 46, 20 TO 40 QUINTAL CAPACITY 50,
10 TO 20 QUINTAL CAPACITY 417, UNDER 10 QUINTAL CAPACITY
45, TOTAL OF 558 TRUCKS WITH CAPACITY OF 10,225 QUINTALS STOP
FROM FABLE FROM DUNLOP CITE AC 89 IN REPLY TO CITE 09/17962 DATED
20 STOP ITALIAN ARMY OPERATES FLEET OF 16 TRUCKS FOR CIVILIAN NEEDS
WITH CAPACITY OF 18 QUINTALS EACH

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SIGNED FELIX J AULISI CAPTAIN

BT 241540A
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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Rear HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCOE)

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16 Feb 44.

To: Col. SIMONS Army Sub Commission, C/O
Allied Garrison Comdr SARDINIA.
Major LENTZNER, MMIA LO CATANZARO, CALABRIA.
Capt. MONICO MMIA LO c/o FLAMBO (for Lt Col OPENHAUER)
Capt. THRUPP MMIA LO HQ 2 DISTRICT.
Major FIELDMAN MMIA LO REAR EIGHTH ARMY.

Col. ADAMS, Economic Sub Comm HQ, A.C.C. NAPLES.) for
Lt Col QUINSMITH; Army Sub Comm, A.C.C. SALERNO.) information.

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Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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Dr. P. O. R.

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SUBJECT: Transport for A.C.C.

APPENDIX 'A'

AFHQ ADV ADM Echelon.
CMF.

36/21/03.

8 Feb 44.

C.G., P.B.S.
D.D.O.S.
D.D.S.T.

1. Under A.F.H.Q. Adm Memo No. 92 dated 19 Dec 43, C-in-C A.C.M.F. is authorised to divert military resources, including transport, to facilitate the feeding of the civil population.

2. C-in-C., A.C.M.F. has decided to meet the requirements of A.C.C. in regard to transport as follows:-

(a) One G.T. Coy, strength 120 load carrying vehicles to be detailed by D.D.S.T., A.F.H.Q. Adv Adm Echelon, for attachment to A.C.C.

(b) A transport unit, self contained in every respect, strength not less than 80 load carrying vehicles to be detailed by C.G., P.B.S. for temporary attachment to A.C.C.

(c) The units mentioned in (a) and (b) above, should preferably be manned by Italian military personnel but this is left to the discretion of the authorities responsible for providing them. They will be made available by 20 Feb. Deputy President A.C.C. will inform C.G., P.B.S. and this HQ where they should report.

3. (a) A.C.C. will arrange with C.G., P.B.S. and D.D.M.E. FIAMBO for the periodical inspection and maintenance of vehicles in the units mentioned in para 2 (a) and (b) above. It is essential that the work of these units should be so arranged so as to permit regular maintenance.

(Sgd) AL. HAMBLIN

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(Sgd) AL. HAMBLIN
Brig Gen,
for Major General
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer.

Copy to: HQ, A.C.M.F. - G(SD)
Deputy President A.C.C.

A.F.H.Q. - Q (AE). (2)
D.D.M.E.
G-4 S.D.

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File: Vehicles

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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Land Forces Sub-commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

25 January 1944

Memo: Procurement of Vehicles

To : Chief of Staff, Allied Garrison of Sardinia

1. Captain VINGENTELLI and Lieut. RAVASI, Italian Army, who were detailed to procure the vehicles requested by the Allied Forces in Sardinia, have established contact as instructed with the Procurement Board presided over by Colonel MARTINE, Italian Air Force. 1133

2. They report that in the past two weeks they have procured eleven vehicles of which:

- 2 are unserviceable and will be used for spare parts or returned to owners
- 1 is in possession of Col. SIMONS
- 1 is in possession of Lt. STEARNS
- 1 is in possession of unknown officer
- 6 are in possession of Procurement Board

3. These officers now have four more vehicles already spotted for early requisition.

4. In addition, these officers know the location of a number of other vehicles which can be requisitioned but cannot be moved because of lack of tires. However, have information that American tires are available for these vehicles. They are going to the Italian INTENDANCE to procure some rims from their junked colonial type cars which can accommodate American tires. Then, with these rims and tires which they intend to place on these cars, they can proceed to requisition them.

For Colonel SIMONS

A. P. VITALI
Captain, Field Artillery

*File letter
with our Forces
to o/g Ital Forces
re. ambros.
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File: Capt. Auto.

INTENDANCE OF THE MILITARY FORCES OF SARDINIA
AUTOMOBILE DIRECTORATE

File No. 151/AUT

A.P.O. 50 2 January 1944

To: Headquarters American Allied Forces - Elmas
and for information
To the Military Headquarters of Sardinia - A.P.O. 50

Subject: Requisition of vehicles

In undertaking the requests submitted in your letter of 31 December 1943 same subject, which was transmitted with a copy to the Military Headquarters of Sardinia, it is assured that the Intendancy has taken action within its competence so that the vehicles to be requisitioned may be furnished in accordance with the required conditions.

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However, one should note that considering the present situation of the civil vehicles existing on the island, the time limit fixed is not adequate for complete compliance with the request. This is particularly so with respect to the location of the vehicles and to the conditions of disrepair in which most of them are.

This Intendancy nevertheless assures that the consignment of requisitioned vehicles will be effectuated in the shortest possible time.

The Intendant
(LT. COL. MARIO CAPELLO)

M. CAPELLO (Signed)

9 Jan 44

Capt Vincetelli reported verbally
6 Autos obtained & 6 others
located.

Filed "Automotive"

I.N. 40. INTENDENZA COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
 Direzione Automobilistica

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n°...../AUT di prot.

P.N. (50), 2 gennaio 1944

AL COMANDO MILITARE ALLEATO AFRICANO - E.L.M.A.S.

e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA - POSTA MILITARE 50

OGGETTO: Requisizione autovetture.-

Nel prendere atto di quanto comunicato col foglio in data 31-12 u.s. dello stesso oggetto -che viene trasmesso in copia al Comando Militare della Sardegna- si assicura che questa Intendenza ha impartito le disposizioni di sua competenza per le autovetture da requisire vengano fornite alle condizioni richieste.

Si reputa, però, opportuno far presente che in considerazione dell'attuale situazione delle autovetture civili esistenti nell'isola, il termine fissato non è sufficiente per completare la richiesta. Ciò particolarmente per la dislocazione delle autovetture e per le condizioni di inefficienza cui la maggior parte di esse si trovano.

Questa Intendenza assicura tuttavia che la consegna delle autovetture da requisire verrà effettuata nel più breve tempo possibile.-

L'INTENDENTE

(Ten.Col.s.M. Mario Capello)

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(Ten.Col.S.M. Mario Capello)

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Fulcr. Autovetture

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA

ATO 509, U.S. Army

31 December 1943

Subject: Request for Motor Vehicles, Passenger

To : The Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia
(attention Intendenza Militare della Sardegna, Sassari)

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1. Due to the receipt at this headquarters of a directive from the Commander in Chief, AFHQ, it has become necessary to modify the terms of the request for the requisitioning of fifteen (15) passenger motor cars which was submitted recently. Under the terms of this directive the automobiles, which are required for the use of staff officers in connection with their duties with the Italian Forces in Sardinia, must be requisitioned without payment.

2. In view of the above, it is requested that your Intendenza Militare procure and deliver to the Allied Garrison Motor Officer at least fifteen (15) passenger motor vehicles fully equipped and in serviceable condition such delivery to begin not later than 3 January 1944 and to be completed not later than 17 January 1944.

3. To whatever degree practicable, such motor vehicles should be selected as will provide the maximum interchangeability of parts and tires. It is requested further that at least ten of the vehicles delivered permit the use of 600 x 16 tires either directly or by ready adjustment to such use.

For the Commanding General

F. L. Simmons
Colonel, Infantry

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Antitrust

Code Room 42ND. WING

S-E-C-R-E-T EQUALS BRITISH SECRET.

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No. 86

ROUTINE 141416A

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ADDRESSED FABLE FOR SIMMONS CLASSIFY RESTRICTED

SIGNED CINC SITE FHGCT

CANCEL OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT THREE ZERO DATED SEVEN DEC PD
AGREE RETENTION SEVENTEENTH HEAVY MOBILE MACHINE SHOP IN SARDINIA PD
YOUR #M FIVE FIVE DATED TWELVE DEC REFERS

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" HIS MESSAGE REVEALED IN SECRET CODE. THE MOUNTING OF AN "A" COPY OF THIS
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Col. Simmon

FROM: [illegible]

TO: [illegible]

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (VIIC.A.)
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Operazioni

PROMEMORIA PER IL CAPITANO VITALI - Comando Alleato
AEROPORTO ELMAS

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In relazione alla richiesta telefonica del 12 dicembre,
Vi comunico i dati riguardanti la 70^a officina mobile pesante.

Comandante : s.tenente BORIN Sergio
Forza : Ufficiali 2; sottufficiali 6; truppa 53.-
Automezzi in carico: 4 autocarri pesanti Lancia 3 RO
2 rimorchi Viberto.-

P.M. 50 - 13 dicembre 1943.-

IL CAPITANO CAPO UFFICIO ff.
(M. Romanelli)

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 509 529

TO: AGH 7

DATE: 12 DECEMBER 1943

Office of Origin: LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA AGC

TO: FREEDOM FOR G-IN-C CITE TROOP

FROM: SIMMONS AT PABLS

F L SIMMONS
COL INFANTRY

PRECEDENCE		DEGREE OF SECRECY	
URGENT		SECRET	X
PRIORITY	X	CONFIDENTIAL	
OPR-PRIORITY		RESTRICTED	
ROUTINE			
DEFERRED			

Any message not X'd for precedence will be sent Deferred

INITIALS

REFERENCE PROPOSED DISPATCH TO SICILY ITALIAN UNIT CAPABLE
DOING ALL MAJOR REPAIRS FOR SABAUDA CMA SEVENTIETH HEAVY MOBILE
MACHINE SHOP ONLY ONE SUCH UNIT IN THIS COMMAND AND NOT COMPLETELY
EVACUATED FROM CORSICA PD THIS UNIT NEEDED HERE TO KEEP MINIMUM
ITALIAN MOTOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PD REQUEST FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS
BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH MOVEMENT OF UNIT TO SICILY

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TO PABLE FOR LT. COL. SIMON'S INFO LIST ONE AND IRS
FROM FMGT CITE SIGNED CINO

REFERENCE DES TO MRS. ARNE GEORGE THREE SEVEN ZERO DATED DECEMBER
FIFTH NOT TO PABLE
ARRANGE DISPATCH TO SICILY EARLIEST ONE ITALIAN UNIT EQUIVALENT
TO RECO UNIT CAPABLE OF DOING ALL MAJOR REPAIRS FOR THE SARAFIA
DIVISION & PARAPHRASE BY CRYPTO. FIVEFOM & INFORM LIST ONE AND
THIS HEADQUARTERS OF DESTINATION AND ESTIMATED TIME & NIVAL ON
UNIT X UNIT TO BE DESTROYED MUST EQUIP

To Heavy Mobile Machine Shop

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No spare parts

complete with machine & hand tools

4 of 6 units with 100

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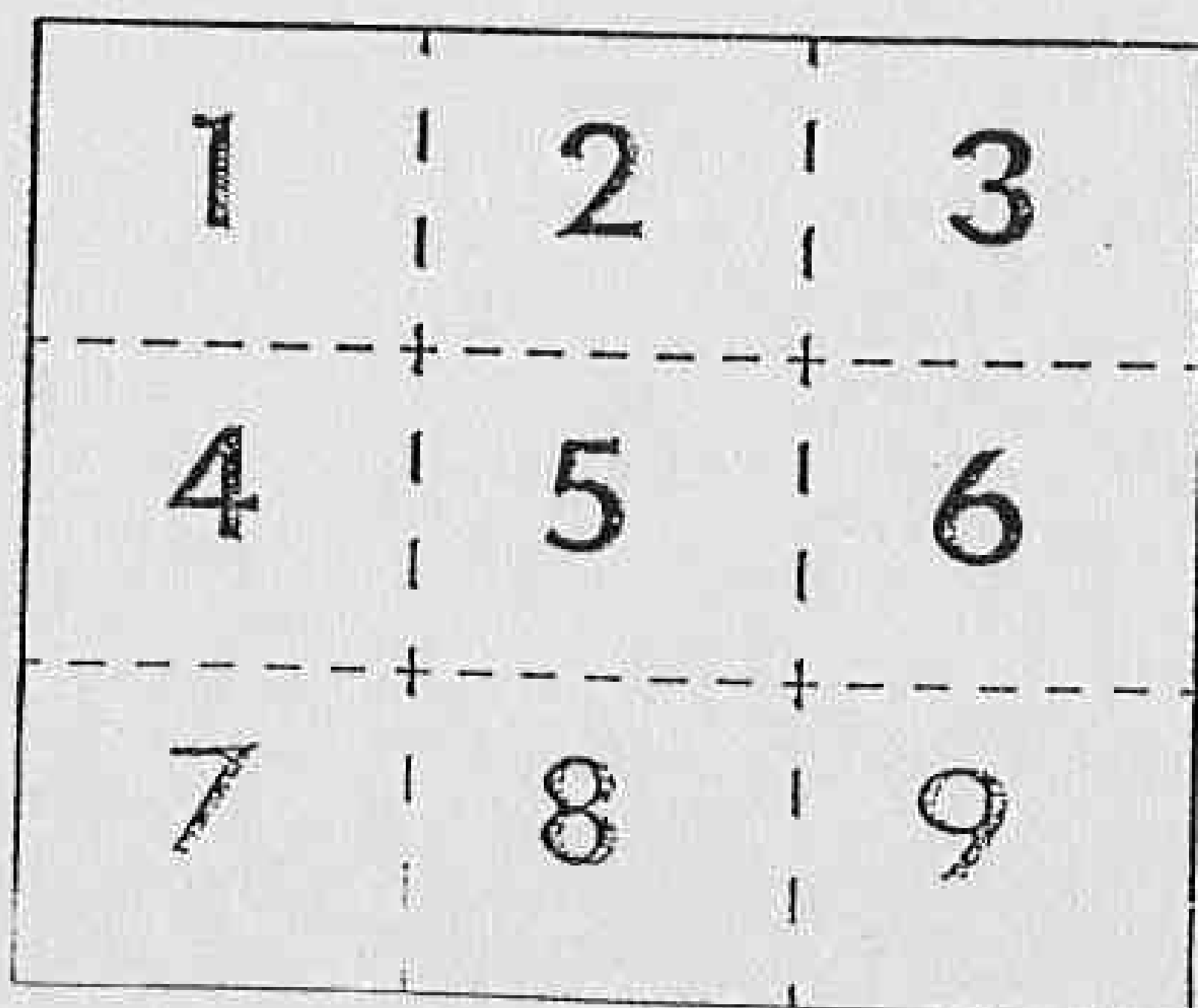
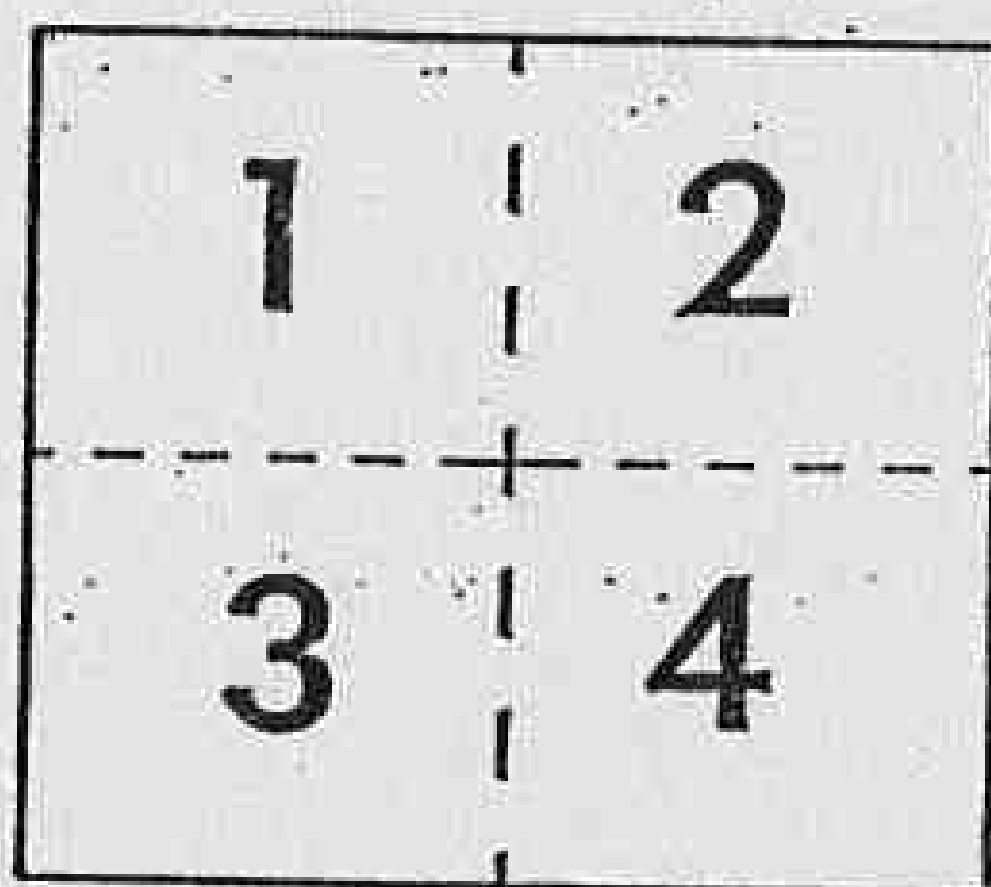
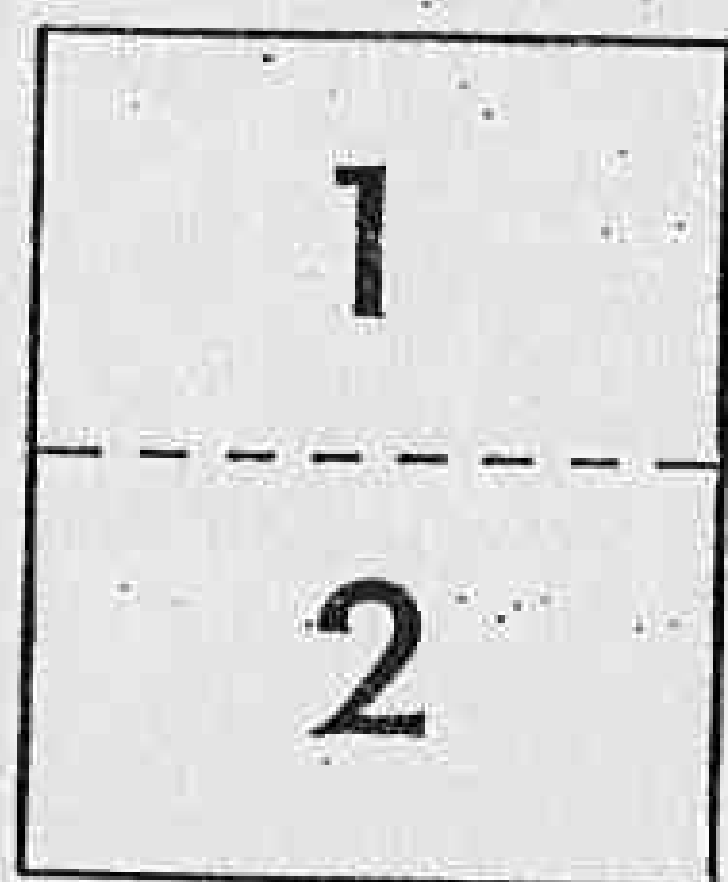
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MAPS AND CHARTS TOO LARGE TO FILM
ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



INTENDENZA MILITARE DEL
Direzione Automobili

SITUAZIONE AUTOMOTOREZZA DEGLI

E N T E	Vetture			Furgoncini			Autocarri			Autocamioncini	
	Eff.	Inef.	Tot.	Eff.	Inef.	Tot.	Eff.	Inef.	Tot.	Eff.	Inef.
COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA	17	9	26	2	-	2	6	3	9	-	-
COMANDO TERRITORIALE SARDEG.	12	7	19	2	2	4	103	49	152	2	-
DIVISIONE "CALABRIA"	11	6	17	1	-	1	123	94	217	-	-
DIVISIONE "CREMONA"	5	5	10	1	1	2	32	27	59	3	1
DIVISIONE "FRIULI"	4	3	7	-	-	-	20	18	38	1	1
DIVISIONE "BARI"	9	8	17	3	1	4	182	130	312	1	-
DIVISIONE "NEMBO" /	8	7	15	2	1	3	61	40	101	1	1
203 ^a DIVISIONE	4	2	6	-	-	-	25	18	43	1	-
204 ^a DIVISIONE	4	2	6	1	-	1	17	13	30	2	1
205 ^a DIVISIONE	7	5	12	4	3	7	30	21	51	2	1
225 ^a DIVISIONE	3	2	5	-	-	-	11	4	15	1	1
226 ^a DIVISIONE	6	5	11	1	-	1	24	17	41	-	-
33 ^a BRIGATA	1	-	1	-	-	-	15	7	22	1	-
4 ^a BRIGATA	1	1	2	-	-	-	8	5	13	3	1
COMANDO ARTIGLIERIA SARDEG.	21	11	32	-	-	-	172	80	252	-	-
COMANDO GENIO SARDEGNA	5	2	7	-	-	-	31	16	47	-	-
INTENDENZA MILITARE SARDEG.	4	5	9	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
LEGIONE TERR. CC.RR.	27	5	32	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-
RAGGRUPP. MOTOCORAZZATO	15	13	28	-	-	-	134	108	242	-	-
175 ^o REGT. ALPINI	1	1	2	-	-	-	13	6	19	-	-
15 ^a LEGIONE R.G. FINANZA	3	1	4	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-
R. CORPO FORESTALE	3	1	4	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
13 ^o REGGIMENTO ARTIGLIERI	25	16	41	-	-	-	129	82	211	3	1
14 ^o AUTORAGGRUPPAMENTO	9	14	23	2	2	4	374	311	685	71	9
13 ^o PARCO - DIREZIONE	3	-	3	1	-	1	22	5	27	-	-
RAGGRUPPAMENTO GRANATIERI	3	1	4	-	-	-	15	6	21	1	-
DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-
DIREZIONE SANITA'	-	-	-	1	1	2	9	5	14	2	2
236 ^o REGT. COSTIERO	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-
GRUPPO SQUADRONI CAVALLEG.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
COMANDO GRUPPO DA SBARCO	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	1	5	-	-
1^a BATTAGLIONE SQUADRE	1	-	1	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
COMANDO CC.RR. SARDEGNA. *	12	-	12	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
25 ^o BTG. CC.RR. MOBILITATO	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
15 ^a SEZ. CC.RR. DELLA STRADA	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
29 ^o BTG. CC.RR. MOBILITATO	3	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-
CENTRO INF. QUADRUPELI	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COMANDO TAPPA MONTI	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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13° REGGIMENTO AUTIERI	22	10	41	-	-	-	129	82	211	3	1
14° AUTORAGGRUPPAMENTO	9	14	23	2	2	4	374	311	685	71	9
13° PARCO - DIREZIONE	3	-	3	1	-	1	22	5	27	-	-
RAGGRUPPAMENTO GRANATIERI	3	1	4	-	-	-	15	6	21	1	-
DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-
DIREZIONE SANITA'	-	-	-	1	1	2	9	5	14	2	2
236° RTT. COSTIERO	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-
GRUPPO SQUADRONI CAVALLEG.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
COMANDO GRUPPO DA SBARCO	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	1	5	-	-
19° REGGIMENTO AUTIERI	1	-	1	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
COMANDO CC.RR. SARDEGNA. *	12	-	12	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-
26° BTG. CC.RR. MOBILITATO	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
15° SEZ. CC.RR. DELLA STRADA	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
29° BTG. CC.RR. MOBILITATO	1	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-
CENTRO RIF. QUADROPEDI	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRO ADDESTRAMENTO	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COMANDO TAPPA MONTI	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T O T A L I	223	133	356	22	12	34	1586	1073	2659	95	19

N O T A: Gli automotomezzi inefficienti comprendono: - quelli abbis-
non riparabili per mancanza di parti di ricambio o non sus-

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685	71	9	80	143	19	62	12	3	24	51	47	114	8	3	3
27	-	-	-	3	-	3	5	1	6	11	2	13	1	-	10
21	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	57	10	67	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	2	2	4	8	1	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	5	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	29	7	5	-	-	-
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
659	95	19	114	111	56	167	251	152	403	1262	681	1943	31	19	53

- quelli abbisognevoli di piccole, medie e grandi riparazioni e quelli
 ambio o non suscettibili di conveniente riparazione. =



14° AUTORAGGRUPPAMENTO

AUTOMEZZI ESISTENTI ED INEFFICIENTI ALLA DATA 25 NOVEMBRE 1943

		CW. 1410 SERVICE MA SERVICEABLE		EFFICIENTI		INEFFICIENTI	
		ESISTENTI					
FIAT 508	vetture	8		4		4	
FIAT 508 C	{ vetture	3		3		1	
	{ camioncini	18		16		2	
SPA 25 C 10	{ ambulanze	9		9		=	
	{ autocarri	3		2		1	
	{ ambulanze	22		18		4	
	{ frigoriferi	13		12		1	
SPA 38 R	{ autobus	2		1		1	
	{ autocarri	2		=		2	
FIAT 621	{ officine	2		=		2	
PIANONI MILES	{ autocarri	5		=		5	
	{ autocarri	83		51		32	
FIAT 626 N	{ autocarri	46		17		29	
	{ ambulanze	24		22		2	
FIAT 626 B	{ autocarri	18		9		9	
O.M. TAURUS	{ autocarri	27		20		7	
CEIRANO 50	{ autocarri	6		4		2	
	{ officine	9		8		1	
ALFA ROMEO 500	{ autocarri	19		10		9	
ALFA ROMEO 800	{ autocarri	26		10		16	
FIAT 634	{ autocarri	77		40		37	
LANCIA RO	{ autocarri	15		3		12	
LANCIA 3 RO	{ autocarri	147		83		64	

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PIAT 521	(officine	5	=	5	5	32	1	125
BIANCHI MILLES	(autocarri	83		51		1		
PIAT 626 M	(autocarri	46		17		29		
PIAT 626 B	(ambulanze	24		22		2		
O.M. TAURUS	(autocarri	18		9		9		
CERRANO 50	(autocarri	27		20		7		
ALFA ROMEO 500	(autocarri	6		4		2		
ALFA ROMEO 800	(autocarri	9		8		1		
PIAT 634	(autocarri	12		10		9		
LANCIA RO	(autocarri	26		10		16		
LANCIA 3 RO	(autocarri	77		40		37		
ISOTTA Fraschini D.80	(autocarri	15		3		12		
PIAT 666	(autocarri	117		83		64		
		50		27		23		
		48		30		18		
		682		400		282		
	TOTALI.....							

NOTA BENE:

I mezzi di cui sopra necessitano per le esigenze militari e civili dell'Isola ed essi non sono neanche sufficienti a soddisfare tutte le esigenze di approvvigionamento e smistamento. =

Per rimediare in efficienza gli autocarri inefficienti occorrono alcune auto pesanti di ricambio come da elenco (da trasmettere al Comando Aeromobili in Carlini) (presso Comando Aeronautica della Sardegna) + Col. Martino).

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