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Armored Cars

NOV. 1944 - Ap. 1945

ELenco DEI MILITARI COMPONENTI IL RUOLO  
CARISTI DESTINATI A N A P O L I :

|                      |                      |                       |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1921- S. Ten. Capal. | VANNINI Romeo        | -Lucca                |
| 1920 Serg. M.        | ✓ VAGGA Valentino    | -Oristano- G. Carr.   |
| 1922 Serg.           | ✓ NUVOLE Giovanni    | -Sassar- G. Carr.     |
| 1916 Serg.           | ✓ D'ORAZIO Elia      | Roma Motorista        |
| 1921 Cap. M.         | ✓ EBELIENI Mario     | Trieste Pilota        |
| 1920 " "             | ✓ RAIMONDI Raimondo  | Firenze R. Mont.      |
| 1915 " "             | ✓ OPASSI Francesco   | Fogg. Pilota          |
| 1920 Cap. M.         | ✓ CUSCINI Francesco  | Udine Motorista       |
| 1919 " "             | ✓ RUSCHI Antonio     | Macerata esp. meccan. |
| 1923 " "             | ✓ DAGA Giuseppe      | Cagliari-Pilota       |
| 1922 Carr.           | ✓ MANNO Vincenzo     | Trapani-Motorista     |
| 1915 " "             | ✓ CANI Athos         | Reggio E. Motorista   |
| 1916 " "             | ✓ MERLO Felice       | S. M. S. Motorista    |
| 1915 " "             | ✓ KRISTOFER Giuseppe | Pala. Motorista       |
| 1912 " "             | ✓ PARON Agostino     | Trieste Saldatore     |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ GRASSI Mario       | Milano esp. meccanico |
| 1919 " "             | ✓ VITTI Vittorio     | Avia. " " "           |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ GENIATI Giovanni   | Teramo- " " "         |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ BENETTI Giordano   | Ferrara " " "         |
| 1922 " "             | ✓ TRASSINO Giovanni  | Cagliari- Pilota      |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ D'ORTONA Nicola    | Chiavari Pilota       |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ GARNINI Benito     | Mantova Pilota        |
| 1922 " "             | ✓ LAMINI Adolfo      | Roma Pilota           |
| 1921 " "             | ✓ ROMANELLI Augusto  | Fogg. Pilota          |
| 1914 " "             | ✓ FINOCCHIARO Luigi  | Trieste Scrittore     |

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*List of Tankmen.*

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LIAISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)  
Allied Garrison Sardinia  
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

16 April 1945

SUBJECT: Tank Personnel Ship to Naples.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia  
Attention Colonel Costantino

1. Confirming conference Colonel Albert, Colonel Costantino  
and Major Martin this date.

a Request you make available for shipment to Naples to  
work on tanks in workshops, on cruiser on or about 23 April following  
personnel;

- (1) Lieut Vanini, now at Guspini.
- (2) 24 MM (Hanks on list given to Colonel Costantino.)

b Transfer Lieut Prisoni to replace Lieut Vanini at Gus-  
pini.

c One officer and 3 MM remain as instructors with CC.MR.  
However para 1a(1) and 1a(2) above have priority.

LESTER R. ALBERT  
Lt Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

Copy to:  
Capt Varengo, Guspini (Information)

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a. Request you make available for shipment to Naples to  
work on tanks in workshops, on cruiser on or about 25 April following  
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- (2) 24 PM (Names on list given to Colonel Costantino.)

b. Transfer Lieut Brisani to replace Lieut Vanini at Gus-  
pini.

c. One officer and 3 PM remain as instructors with CC.15.  
However para 1a(1) and 1a(2) above have priority.

LESTER R. ALBERT  
Lt Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

Copy to:  
Capt Varengo, Guspini (Information)

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FILE: M/T. ARMoured CARs

15 1050 APRIL 1945

PRIORITY RESTRICTED

To: MMIA

From: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT Y 304

Reference par 4 your ST/1507 of 12 April (.) Arrived too late to send men with tanks already loaded on British L.C.T.s (.) Personnel being assembled and will ship soonest (.) Will advise

Prepared by

LESTER R. ALBERT

LT COLONEL

INFANTRY

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FROM MMIA

TO MMIA LO SARDINIA

ST/1507

FOR AUSTIN FROM FIVE

*Packed with Major*  
ONE. CASES SPARE PARTS ARE BEING BADLY PACKED ALLOWING CONTENTS TO MOVE IN CASES RESULTING IN DAMAGE TO CASES AND CONTENTS. PLEASE RECTIFY.

TWO. HANDLING OF CASES AT PARK AND PORT BY ROLLING MUST BE STOPPED IN VIEW OF WEIGHT.

*See Austin 19 April*  
*man on boat 12-13 April*  
THREE. PLEASE WRITE COMPLETE W.E. OF EACH SEPARATE SECTION OF 1ST MOBILE PARK AS FOLLOWS: 1ST MOBILE PARK. 2ND MOBILE PARK TEMPORARILY CALLED SECTION. 2. RECOVERY SECTION *(already moved)* ALL TO BE ENTIRELY SELF CONTAINED. ENGINE SECTION AND VEHICLES OF ENGINE SECTION TO BE TRANSFERRED COMPLETE TO 1ST REPARTO RIPARAZIONE.

*Beed too late to send on boat 12-13 April*  
FOUR. SEND <sup>capt</sup>VARAGO'S SECOND OFFICER AND 24 GOOD TANK MEN TO NAPLES WITH NEXT TANKS OR BEFORE IF POSSIBLE TO WORK ON TANKS IN WORKSHOPS. BODIES WILL BE LINKED INTO WORKSHOPS. AS TANK PROTRABLE TAILS OFF SEND REMAINING BODIES AND VARAGO IN SIMILAR MANNER.

*See Austin 13 April*  
FIVE. IT IS AUTHORIZED TO ASSIST HIGH COMMISSIONER WITH SPARE PARTS FROM DUMPS FOR THE 100 VEHICLES SUPPLIED TO HIS DEPARTMENT. USE YOUR DISCRETION ON OLD TYPE NEW SPARE PARTS IN STORE

RESCRIPT 13 APRIL 1945 /rrc

DISTRIBUTION: MAJOR AUSTIN

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TRANSMISSION GC/rrc 6 MAR 45

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Automobile Directorate

No. 1655/AUT

APO 75/A, 2 March 1945

SUBJECT: Personnel Sent to Guspini to Repair Armored Cars.

TO : ORDNANCE DETACHED SECTION - CAGLIARI.

Following phone message No. 1442/AUT of 26 February 45.

We have been informed by the 13 Auto Park Directorate that personnel sent to Guspini by your Section, 1 Maresciallo and 2 civilians, only qualified for repairing light weapons.

Since guns cal. 47 and 75 mounted on tanks are also to be repaired, you are requested that other specialized personnel be urgently sent to Guspini.

THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
Colonel Luigi Castellani  
/s/ L. Castellani

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Direzione Automobilistica

№ 1655 /AUT di prot. P.M.75/A, 2 Marzo 1945

OGGETTO: Personale inviato a Guspini per riparazione carri armati.

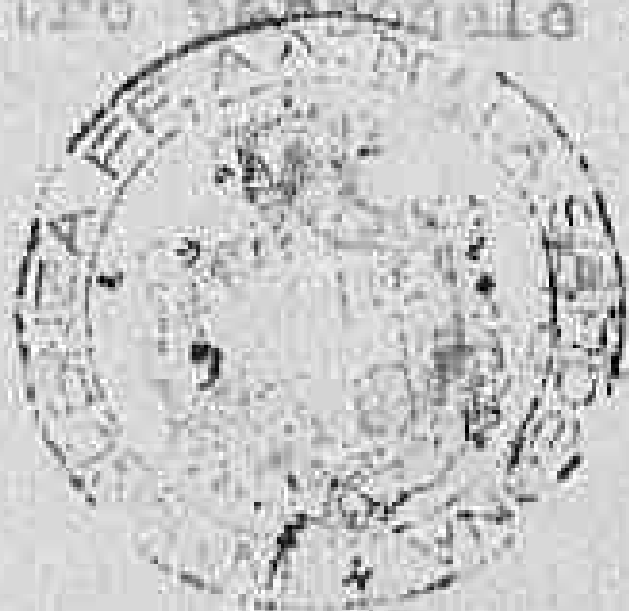
ALLA SEZIONE STACCATA DI ANTECLINIA - CAGLIARI

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Seguito fono n.1442/Aut del 26.3.u.s.-

La Direzione del 13 Parco Automobilistico ha qui segnalato che il personale inviato a Guspini da codesta Sezione, un maresciallo e 2 civili, è pratico esclusivamente della riparazione di armi leggere.

Poiché si deve provvedere alla riparazione anche dei pezzi da 47 e da 75 montati sui carri, pregasi voler provvedere all'invio urgente di altro personale specializzato.-



A' ordine  
CAPO DI SECTO MAGGIORE  
Gennaro Luigi Cossentino  
*Gennaro Luigi Cossentino*

*Copia all' M.M. 1A*

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# COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA

DIREZIONE AUTOMOBILISTICA

N. 1650 /AUT di prot.

P.M. 75-A. II 2 marzo 1945

OCCETTO: Mezzi corazzati.

ALLA M. M. T. A.  
(Colonnello SIMONS)

SEDE

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In riferimento al foglio di questa Commissione  
in data 27.2.1945, si trasmette copia delle disposizioni  
emanate da questa Direzione relative alla richiesta avanzata  
dal 13° Parco col foglio D/407/43 del 22 febbraio inviato  
per conoscenza a questa M.M.T.A.

Allegati: 3

d'ordine  
IL C.APO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
- Colonnello Luigi Cappelletti -  
*L. Cappelletti*

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(Colonnello SILLONS)

In riferimento al foglio di codesta Commissione  
in data 27.2.1945, si trasmette copia delle disposizioni  
emanate da questa Direzione relative alla richiesta avanzata  
dal 13° Parco col foglio D/407/43 del 22 febbraio inviato  
per conoscenza a codesta M.A.I.A.

Allegati: 3

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

- Colonnello Luigi Castellani -

*Luigi Castellani*

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FILE: ARMORED CAR

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TELEGRAMMA

DA COMITATO DIRAUTO  
AT SEZIONE BRACCATA ARTIGLIERIA

GAGLIARI

et, per conoscenza:

AT DIREZIONE 13° PERCORSO  
AT MAGAZZINO CARREI ARMATI

GOSPINI

N° 1442-C/AUT DI PROT alt SECONDO ACCORDI VERBALI COL TEN. COL.  
PASSERI DISPORRE IMMEDIATO AVVIAMENTO AT GOSPINI DI UN CAPO ARMAIOLO  
PER URGENTISSIME REVISIONI ARMI MONTATE SU CARREI ARMATI fine

f/to: d'ordine GASTRONOMICHE CASTELLANI

.....26 FEBBRAIO 1945.-

P.C.C.

IL DIRETTORE  
Giuseppe Sechi

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
DIREZIONE AUTOMOBILISTICA

N. 1623/AUT di prot.

P.M. 75-A, li 1° Marzo 1945

OGGETTO: Personale avviato a Guispini per riparazione carri armati.

ALLA SEZIONE STACCATA ANTILIBERIA.

CATTIARI

ALLA DIREZIONE DEL 13° PARCO AUTOMOBILISTICO

ADDASANTA

AL MAGAZZINO CARRI ARMATI

GUISPINI

e, per conoscenza:

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Ha seguito al fonogramma di questo Comando  
n° 1442/AUT datato 26 Febbraio u.s.

Allo scopo di venire incontro alle necessità  
dei due civili, avviati a Guispini per la nota revisione  
delle armi dei carri armati colla dislocazione, e che fuori  
residenza dovranno incontrare spese non indifferenti  
per il vitto e per l'alloggio, si comunica che il Capo  
di Stato Maggiore, ha disposto di concedere loro - al  
termine dei lavori - dei congrui premi in denaro.

Ciò in rapporto al rendimento ottenuto.

IL DIRETTORE

Capitano Vissente Sechi -

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**COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA**  
**DIREZIONE AUTOMOBILISTICA**

N. 1605/AUT di prot.

P.M. 75-A, R 27 Febbraio 1945.-

**OGGETTO:** Richiesta di energia elettrica.

ALLA SOC. SARDA DI DISTRIBUZIONE DI ENERGIA ELETTRICA

CAGLIARI  
Via Mucioi 67

ALLA DIREZIONE 13° PARLATO

AGRI-SANTA

AL MAGAZZINO CARRI ARMATI DI

GUSPINI

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Preziosi disporre l'allaccio di energia elettrica - bassa tensione, trifase - a favore del Magazzino Carri Armati di Guspinì, per urgenti lavori di riparazione e riattamento di carri armati coll'adotti.

Detto allaccio dovrà avvenire a circa 250 - 300 metri dall'abitato.

In Direzione del 13° Parco Automobilistico è pregata concedere alla Società in indirizzo, un titolo e titolo coperto per le spese che verranno sostenute e per l'energia elettrica da consumare.

Accordi diretti fra gli Enti in indirizzo. =

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
c/o:- Colonnello Luigi Castellani -

p.c.c.

IL DIRETTORE

- Giuliano Giuseppe Sechi -

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Presesi dispone l'allaccio di energia elettrica - bassa tensione, trifase - a favore del Magazzino Garri Affusti di Guipini, per urgenti lavori di riparazione e ristamento di cuori gratti colà ubicati.

Detto allaccio dovrà avvenire a circa 250 - 300 metri dall'abitato.

La Direzione del 13° Parco automobilistico è pregata concedere alla Società in indirizzo, un attico a titolo coperto per le spese che verranno sostenute e per l'energia elettrica da consumare.

Accordi diretti fra gli Enti in indirizzo.

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI STAFFO MAGGIORE

f.to: Colonnello Imigi Castellani -

P.C.C.

IL DIRIGENTE

- Capitano Giuseppe Sechi -

*Capitani*

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LIATISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)  
Allied Garrison Sardinia  
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

27 February 1945

SUBJECT: Armed Vehicles and Tanks.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. In confirmation of verbal information to your Chief of Operations, you are advised that Allied Force Headquarters has directed that all repairable Italian tanks in Sardinia are to be repaired and shipped to the mainland. It is requested that these vehicles be released to the Commanding Officer, First Mobile Park, for processing preliminary to assembling in Cagliari for shipment.

2. To implement and expedite the program outlined in paragraph one (above), the services of special personnel, skilled in the knowledge of tanks, are required. It is requested, therefore, that a chief armorer and other specialized personnel to assist him be assigned to temporary duty at Guspini. Letter number D/407/A3, 13th Auto Park refers to this matter in detail.

3. It is further requested that this office be advised when such special arrangements can be made.

F. L. SIMMONS  
Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

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TRANSLATION GC/rrc 24 FEB 45

13th AUTO PARK  
Directorate

No. D/407/A3

Abbasanta, 22 February 1945

SUBJECT: Repair of Tanks.

TO : C.M.S. - Auto Directorate

APO 75/A.

INFO TO: M.M.I.A. (Colonel Simmons)

CAGLIARI

It is requested that a chief armorer and a specialized armorer be sent to Guspini, necessary for the repair, checking and fitting of the arms on tanks.

Such request was submitted to the Nuoro Ordnance Directorate and we were informed by same that they cannot comply with it, since they have only one chief armorer, who is not available since he has to alert an urgent stock of weapons for shipment to the mainland.

Consequently, your Hq is kindly requested to take an interest in the matter which requires urgent action since the arms are in bad condition.

It is brought to your attention that tanks are armed with 8, 12.7 and 20 mm machine guns, and 47/32, 47/40 and 75/18 cannons.

In addition it is requested that at least 200 quintals of gasoline and 150 quintals of diesel oil be allocated to the Guspini (to be drawn from Cagliari).

This Directorate made the necessary arrangements to speed up the work and if the requested armorer can be released in time, the transfer of tanks to Cagliari will start next week.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE PARK  
Major Corrado Martellacci  
/s/ Major Martellacci

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FILE: ARMOURD CARS

13° PARCO AUTOMOBILISTICO  
e Direzione

Abbasanta, 22 febbraio 1945

n°D/107/A.3 di prot.

OGGETTO: Riparazione carri armati.-

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA - Dirauto

F.M.75/A

e, per conoscenza:

CAGLIARI

ALLA M.M.I.A. (Sig.Col. Simmons)

Per la riparazione, il controllo e l'adattamento delle armi dei carri è necessario avviare a Guspini un capo armaiuolo e un armaiuolo specializzato.-

Richiesta la Direzione Artiglieria di Fuoco questa ha fatto presente che non le è possibile aderire perchè non ha personale in quanto è rimasta con un solo capo armaiuolo che non può essere distolto dalla preparazione urgente di una partita di armi da inviare in continente.-

In conseguenza pregasi questo Comando di volersi interessare alla cosa che riveste carattere di urgenza in quanto le armi sono in condizioni notevolmente deteriorate.-

Si fa presente che i carri armati sono dotati di mitragliatrici Breda da 8 - 12,7 e 20 mm., di cannoni da 47/32 - 47/40 e 75/18.-

Inoltre si fa presente l'urgenza di assegnare al Parco per Guspini almeno 200 quintali di benzina e 150 di gasolio da prelevare a Cagliari.-

Questa Direzione che ha disposto che i lavori procedano con ogni sollecitudine potrà iniziare la prossima settimana il trasferimento a Cagliari di carri se potrà avere in tempo l'armaiuolo richiesto.-

IL DIRETTORE INT. DEL PARCO  
(Magg. Corrado Martellacci)

*Ung. Martellacci*

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MESSAGE FORM.

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN.

14 1540 A

FROM : MMIA

TO : MMIA LO SARDINIA

Ref No : SD 2289

Security  
Classification SECRET

FOR SIMMONS (\*) AFHQ HAS DIRECTED THAT ALL REPAIRABLE ITALIAN TANKS  
IN SARDINIA ARE TO BE REPAIRED AND SHIPPED TO THE MAINLAND (\*) ARRANGE  
FOR ITALIAN MILITARY TO RELEASE TO HALL WORKSHOPS ALL ITALIAN TANKS THAT  
ARE CONSIDERED REPAIRABLE (\*) SEE SIGNAL OF HALL TO MARTELLACCI FOR  
FURTHER DETAILS (\*) HALL UPON HIS RETURN TO SARDINIA WILL HAVE FULL DETAILS

Precedence Routine

Authenticated Rex E. Penley  
Major

ts.

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Date: 21 MAY 1945

Headquarters of Origin: LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG (MILIA)

Precedence: PRIORITY Security Classification: RESTRICTED

TO MILIA

FROM MILIA LO SANDINIA SIGNED ALBERT Reference Number: Y 438

REFERENCE MILIA CABLE ST/1507 DATED 12 APRIL PARAGRAPH 4.

ONE. TANK PROGRAM FINISHED.

TWO. ALL REPAIRABLE TRENCH AND TURRETS HAVE NOT BEEN RECOVERED FROM USED CAR

PARK AT PAULILATINO BY MAJOR MARCELLACCI OF 1ST MOBILE PARK.

THREE. REMAINDER OF 1ST MOBILE PARK/HON LOADING ON SS CARLTON AT CAPULANI  
2 OFFICERS, 39 OR'S

FOUR. IS CAPTAIN VARENGO AND HIS MEN, TO BE SENT TO PAULILATINO TO FINISH

THIS PROGRAM OR TO BE SENT TO THE COMBATANT ?

ONE. TANK PROGRAM FINISHED.

TWO. ALL REPAIRABLE TYPES AND TUBES HAVE NOT BEEN RECOVERED FROM USED CAR PARK AT PAULLIATINO BY MAJOR MARCELLACCI OF 1ST MOBILE PARK.

THREE. REMAINDER OF 1ST MOBILE PARK/ NOW LOADING ON SS CAULTON AT CAGLIARI  
FOUR. IS CAPTAIN VARENGO AND HIS MEN, TO BE SENT TO PAULLIATINO TO FINISH

THIS PROGRAM OR TO BE SENT TO THE CONTINENT ?

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Prepared by: *S. D. Martin* MAJOR C.M.P.  
*Robert R. Albert* LT. COLONEL  
Authenticated by: LESTER R. ALBERT INFANTRY

FILE: ADM: CMOS

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LIAISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)  
Allied Garrison Sardinia  
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

16 May 1945

SUBJECT: Tanks.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (M.M.I.A.) Rome in cable SD 2289 dated 14 February 1945 requested that all repairable Italian tanks in Sardinia be repaired and shipped to the mainland.

2. This is in accordance with your verbal request for authority to repair and ship tanks to the mainland.

LESTER R. ALBERT  
Lt Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

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FILE. ARM. CARS

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TRANSLATION VJT/rre 17 MAY 1945

TERRITORIAL OFFICE FOR SARDINIA  
Services Section

No. 4592/Serv

APC 75/A, 14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Tanks

TO : MMIA Liaison Office.

1. Lately various batches of tanks have been prepared and shipped to the mainland and at present the remaining tanks are being prepared for shipment.

2. The requests were made verbally by your headquarters to Major Martellacci, Director of 1st Mobile Park.

3. In order to regularize administratively the release by this office of ordnance materials needed to restore the above mentioned tanks to efficiency, it is requested that you confirm instructions for the preparation and shipment to the mainland of all tanks existing on the island (excluding those which cannot be made efficient).

FOR THE BRIGADIER GENERAL  
Colonel C. Bucalossi  
/s/ C. Bucalossi

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UFFICIO TERRITORIALE PER LA SANITA'  
- Servizio Sanitario -

N. 4592/Serv. di prot.

E.M. 75/A 14 00554 945

OGGETTO: Cenni sanitari.

ALLA E.M.I.A.  
Ufficio Collegamento per la Sardegna

CAPIRELLI

- 1.- In questi ultimi tempi sono stati organizzati e spediti in varie parti varie alligatore di carri armati, e sono entrati in corso di approntamento in alcune rimasce esistenti nell'isola.
- 2.- Le richieste sono state fatte verbalmente da quest'Ufficio al Maggiore Martellacci direttore del 15° Regio Mobile.
- 3.- Al fine di poter organizzare amministrativamente la cassa di materiali d'artigianato effluente da questo Ufficio, per la rimessa in efficienza dei carri armati esistenti, prego confermare l'ordine di approntamento e spedizione in varie parti di tutti i carri armati esistenti nell'isola (eccettuati quelli che non è possibile rimettere in efficienza).

P. M. AMMIRANTE DI S. MARIA S. S.

IN COLLABORAZIONE AMMIRANTE

- G. BUCALASSI -

*[Signature]*

- 1.- In questi ultimi tempi sono stati trovati e sequestrati alcune varie aliquote di carni crudi, e con grasso, e di altri di approssimato le ultime rimangono esposti nell'isola.
- 2.- Le richieste sono state fatte verbalmente da cadente Ufficio al Maggiore Martellucci direttore del 10 Ferro Mobile.
- 3.- Al fine di poter regolarmente amministrare le casse, e dei materiali di sussistenza effettuate da questo Ufficio, per la ripresa in efficienza dei carri armati stessi, viene consegnare l'ordine di approssimato e spedizione in quantità di tutti i carri armati esistenti nell'isola (esclusi quelli che non è possibile rimettere in efficienza).-

P. 14 GSTRAL DI BRIGATA MPA.  
IL COLONNELLINO ADDETTO

- G. Bucalossi -

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MAY 16 1945

PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL

13 1000 MAY 1945

To: MMIA

From: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED ALBERT

Y 415

Reference your Q 264 dated 11 May (.) Ready for use 67 Italian medium tanks, 1 Italian light tank, 15 French medium tanks (.) Awaiting repair 6 French medium tanks, doubtful if they can be repaired (.) 100 tons of Italian tank parts and equipment still to be crated (.) Tank program on island is finished

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Prepared by

*S. D. Martin*  
S. D. MARTIN

MAJOR

C.M.P.

Authenticated by

*Lester R. Albert*  
LESTER R. ALBERT

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INFANTRY

FILE: ADM. CARS

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FROM MEMA

TO MEMA LO SARDINIA FOR ACTION

INFO TO PENINSULA FORGEMIA LO

Q 264

REPORT NUMBER OF TANKS BY TYPE 1. HELD EFFICIENT FOR ISSUE  
2. AWAITING REPAIR.

SUSPEND ALL REPAIR WORK ON TANKS PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

RECEIPT 12 MAY 1945 /rro

COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

*May 12 1945*  
*Received by Major Martin*  
*for repair*

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FILE ARMORED CARS

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LIAISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)  
Allied Garrison Sardinia  
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

22 April 1945

SUBJECT: Repair of Armored Cars.

TO : Commanding General, Sardinia Territorial Office.

1. In reference to your letter 3080/Ord, same subject, dated 19 April 1945, you are advised that said personnel are to be considered in addition to the authorized strength for Sardinia during there stay in Sardinia.
2. It is believed that on or about 15 May 1945 these men will be transferred to the Italian Heavy Base Workshops in Naples now engaging in repairing tanks.
3. It is reported that there are at Guspini 45 men under the command of Capt Varengo and 14 men belonging to the 1st Mobile Park, Abbasanta.

LESTER R. ALBERT  
Lt Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

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TRANSLATION APRIL 1945 GC/rre

SARDINIA TERRITORIAL OFFICE  
Mobilization and organization Office

No. 3080/Ord

Cagliari, 19 April 1945

SUBJECT: Repair of Armoured Cars

TO : M.M.I.A.  
Sardinia Liaison Office - CAGLIARI

As per Colonel Simmons' request, we are carrying out the repairs and overhauling of armored cars existing on the island.

50 servicemen, most of whom are specialized, have been appointed to this task also located at Guspini.

Said personnel are not included in the authorized strength for Sardinia.

Your office is kindly requested to inform us whether said men are to be considered in addition to the authorized strength for Sardinia until completion of repair of tanks or to transfer them immediately to the mainland, in which case I would be unable to complete the repairs already started.

BRIGADIER GENERAL  
G. Maria Scalabrino  
/s/ Scalabrino

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UFFICIO TERRITORIALE PER LA SARDEGNA

-Sezione Ord.to e Mobil.me-

Prot.n. 3080/Ord.

Cagliari, 19 aprile 1945

OGGETTO: Riparazione carri armati.-

ALLA M. M. I. A.

- Ufficio di Collegamento per la Sardegna -

= C A G L I A R I =

A richiesta del Col. SIMMONS, si sta procedendo alla riparazione e messa a punto dei carri armati esistenti nell'Isola.

Vi sono adibiti 50 militari, in massima parte specializzati, dislocati a Guspini.

Tale aliquota di personale non è contemplata nella forza autorizzata per la Sardegna.

Frego la cortesia di codesto Ufficio indicarmi se sino a riparazione effettuata dei carri devo considerare i predetti militari in aumento alla forza autorizzata per la Sardegna oppure se ne devo disporre l'immediato avviamento nella penisola, nel quale caso però mi troverei nell'impossibilità di portare a termine le lavorazioni iniziate.



IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA

-G. Maria Scalabrino-

*Scalabrino*

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IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA  
-G. Maria Scalabrino-

*[Handwritten signature]*

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/gc 13 MARCH 1945

13 MARCH 1945

Precedence: OP  
Security Classification: SECRET

To: NMIA INFO TO PENSOUTH, PENSOUTH FOR NMIA LO, DISTHREE, MOV NAPLES,

AFHQ, NMIA LO 5 ARMY

From: NMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS  
Originator's  
Reference Number: Y 166

FOR KERR (.) REFERENCE OUR Y 162 OF 11 MARCH (.) LOADED ON LIFT SHIP  
EMPIRE LORENZO IN ADDITION TO ITEMS ALREADY SIGNED 1 ADDITIONAL MEDIUM  
TANK FOR A TOTAL OF 5 MEDIUM TANKS AND 10 ADDITIONAL LIGHT TANKS FOR A  
TOTAL OF 16 LIGHT TANKS (.) NO FURTHER DETAILED LISTS FOR NMIA LO NAPLES  
WILL BE FURNISHED FOR THIS TRIP (.) REQUEST NMIA LO NAPLES BE NOTIFIED  
BY PHONE (.) E T A DUEO 14 MARCH

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From: MMIA LO SARDINIA SIGNED SHIP  
 FOR KERR (.) REFERENCE OUR Y 162 OF 11 MARCH (.) LOADED ON LIFT SHIP  
 EMPIRE LORENZO IN ADDITION TO ITEMS ALREADY SIGNED 1 ADDITIONAL MEDIUM  
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| Prepared by      | GEORGE L. FOSSETT | MAJOR   | C.E.     |
| Authenticated by | A. F. DE STEFANO  | CAPTAIN | INFANTRY |

FILE: ARMORED-CARS

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PHONOGRAMMA No. 27

11 MARZO 1945

DA PRIMO PARCO MOBILE ABBASANTA AT COMANDO GENIO SARDEGNA ET PER CONSCENZA  
AT M.M.I.A. COLONNELLO SIMMONS.

SOCIETA' ELETTRICA SARDA NONOSTANTE RIPETUTE RICHIESTE NON PROCEDE ALLACGIO  
ENERGIA GUSPINI. PER CORRISPONDENTE ORDINI M.M.I.A PER RIPARAZIONE CARRI  
ARMATI NECESSITA CHE ALLACGIO AVVENGA ASSIUTAMENTE DOMANI 12 CORR.  
PREGO INTERESSAMENTO CODESTO COMANDO GENIO. FINE

F.to MAGGIORE MARTELLACCI

TRASMETTE: MARGOTTI  
RICEVE: CARDULLO

TRANSLATION GC/gc 11 MAR 45

PHONOGRAM No. 27

11 MARCH 1945

FROM 1ST MOBILE PARK ABBASANTA TO SARDINIA ENGINEER HQ AND FOR INFO  
TO M.M.I.A. COLONEL SIMMONS.

SARDINIAN ELECTRICAL SOCIETY, DESPITE THE SEVERAL REQUESTS MADE, DID NOT  
YET CONNECT THE ELECTRICAL POWER LINE OF GUSPINI. IN ORDER TO COMPLY  
WITH ORDERS RECEIVED FROM M.M.I.A. FOR REPAIRING OF ARMORED CARS, IT IS  
URGENT THAT SAID CONNECTION BE MADE TOMORROW 12TH WITHOUT DELAY.  
I RELY ON THE INTEREST OF YOUR HEADQUARTERS.

/s/ MAJOR MARTELLACCI

TRANSMITTED BY: MARGOTTI  
RECEIVED BY: CARDULLO

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1° PARCO NOBILE  
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PROMEMORIA per il SIG. COL. SIMONS

1°) - carri armati avviati a Doetto al 10/3 n° 41  
2°) - " " pronti a invia al trasferimento " 15  
el Doetto per il 15/3  
Totale al 15/3/45 n° 56  
=====

3°) - carri armati rimasti a Caspiat n° 152  
4°) - " " " Dolanova " 31  
Totale n° 183  
5°) - carri armati riparabili " 156  
Non riparabili n° 27  
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Tempo presumibile - dal 16 marzo al 30 aprile 1945  
per la riparazione

Assente, 11 Marzo 1945

*lung. Lumbertini*

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| 3°)- carri armati rimasenti a Gasplini | n° 152 |
| 4°)- " " " " Dolomora                  | " 31   |
| Totale                                 |        |
| 5°)- carri armati riparabili           | n° 103 |
|                                        | " 156  |
| Non riparabili                         | n° 27  |

Tempo Presumibile = dal 16 marzo al 30 aprile 1945  
Per la riparazione

Subscritto, 11 Marzo 1945

*Luigi. Lantini*

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Dimitri

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SECRET 14 NIL

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGDM FHGCT  
TO MMIA LO SARDINIA

FX 84812

REFERENCE OUR FX 81335 OF 8 JAN AND MMIA SD 2058 OF 7 JAN. 12 ITALIAN  
LIGHT TANKS ARE BEING LOADED IN VESSEL BRIGHTON ETA PALERMO 21 JAN.  
AGREED

RESRIPT 16 JANUARY 1945 /rrc

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SSTO SICILY : 204 SUB AREA : MMIA : ALCOM SICILY : ALCOM :  
MMIA LO SARDINIA : MOVMT

FX84812

REFERENCE OUR EX 81335 OF 8 JAN AND MMIA SD 2058 OF 7 JAN (.) SIGNED SAGMED  
CITE FREDM FRECH (.) INFO ALCOM SICILY FOR MMIA, LO AND ALCOM FOR PUBLIC  
SAFETY COMMISSION (.) 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS ARE BEING LOADED IN VESSEL  
BRIGHTON ETA PALERMO 21 JAN (.) AGREED

CO-ORD : G-3  
PSTO MED

ADLS TO SARDINIA  
FOR 204-7

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PSTO MED : G-1 :  
G-3 (ORG) : G-4 :  
ORD (B) : RAC :  
MWT : AG RECORDS

JAN 18 1945

H.D. PHILLIP, LT. COL.  
FREEDOM 419

JAN 14 1945 19 00 2557

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PRIORITY SECRET 14 1430A

FROM MMIA

TO MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2092

FOR FOSSETT. SIGNED SIMMONS.

VESSELS SCHEDULED TO TRANSPORT RAILWAY WAGONS LEVY TO DUKO WILL CARRY OTHER

LIST 7 MT AND STORES.

NEW SUBJECT. INFORM AFHQ G-3 WHEN SS BRIGHTON LEAVES LEVY WITH 12 LIGHT TANKS

RESRIPT 15 JANUARY 1945

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TRANSLATION GC/rrc 14 JAN 45

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Staff Services Office

No. 461/Serv.

AFO 75/A, 14 January 45

SUBJECT: Tanks.

TO : Colonel F. L. SIMMONS  
MMIA - Sardinia Sub Commission. CAGLIARI.

Reference letter your office dated 9 January 45, you are  
informed that 12 light tanks are ready and assembled at the 13th  
Autieri Depot - in Cagliari.

THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
Colonel Luigi Castellani  
/s/ L. Castellani

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P/da



# COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA

STATO MAGGIORE - UFFICIO SERVIZI

N. 461 - Serv. di prot.

P. M. 50, li 14 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO: carri armati.-

AL COLONNELLO P.E. SIMONS  
-M.M.I.A. -sottocommissione per la Sardegna-  
= CAGLIARI

Con riferimento alla lettera di  
codesto Ufficio in data 9 gennaio u.s. si  
comunica che i n. 12 carri armati leggeri  
sono pronti ed accantonati presso il Deposito  
13° Autieri in Cagliari.-

d'ordine  
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
- del Leg. Militare -

*Luigi...*

JAN 14 1945

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URGENT SECRET 10 1729A

FROM MMIA

TO MMIA LO SARDINIA

SD 2073

REFERENCE Y 20. 12 TANKS WILL BE GIVEN TOP STORAGE FOR FIRST DISCHARGE.  
LOAD ON S.S. BRIGHTON. VESSEL WILL BE ROUTED VIA PALERMO FOR DIS-  
CHARGING TANKS ONLY AND WILL THEN PROCEED DUKO TO DISCHARGE BALANCE  
OF CARGO. THESE INSTRUCTIONS PARAPHRASE OF AFHQ SIGNALS FX 81335  
AND FX 81807

RESCRIPT 11 JANUARY 1945 /rrc

COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

NO RECORD OF CBL FX 81335

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U. S. CONFIDENTIAL Equals BRITISH CONFIDENTIAL

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA  
OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No \_\_\_\_\_ (do not use) Date 10 JANUARY 1945

Headquarters of Origin LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C. (MILIA)

Precedence OF Security Classification SECRET

TO: MILIA FOR KERR

From: MILIA TO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS Originator's Reference Number Y 20

REFERENCE YOUR RADIOS SD 2058 DATED 7 JANUARY AND SD 2086 DATED 9 JANUARY AND  
SIGNED CABLE FX 67113 DATED 11 DECEMBER, CLARIFICATION URGENTLY REQUESTED.

FIRST: WHAT PORT IS DESTINATION OF TANKS QUESTION IF SICILY, WILL SS BRIGHTON  
PROCEED FROM SICILY PORT TO DUKO TO DISCHARGE BALANCE OF CARGO QUESTION

SECOND: WHAT IS DESTINATION OF 208 RAILWAY WAGONS QUESTION IF DUKO, WE PLAN TO  
LOAD LIST 7 MT AND OTHER STORES. IF SICILY, WILL VESSEL ALSO PROCEED  
TO DUKO TO DISCHARGE MT AND OTHER STORES QUESTION SS BRIGHTON NOW HERE  
AND REPLY AT EARLIEST URGENTLY REQUESTED

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TO: NAVIA FOR KERR

Originator's  
Reference Number I 28

From: NAVIA TO SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

REFERENCE YOUR RADIOS SD 2058 DATED 7 JANUARY AND SD 2086 DATED 9 JANUARY AND  
SIGNED CABLE FX 07113 DATED 11 DECEMBER, CLARIFICATION URGENTLY REQUESTED.

FIRST: WHAT PORT IS DESTINATION OF TANKS QUESTION IF SICILY, WILL SS BRIGITION  
PROCEED FROM SICILY PORT TO DUKO TO DISCHARGE BALANCE OF CARGO QUESTION

SECOND: WHAT IS DESTINATION OF 208 RAILWAY WAGONS QUESTION IF DUKO, WE PLAN TO  
LOAD LIST 7 LT AND OTHER STORES. IF SICILY: WILL VESSEL ALSO PROCEED  
TO DUKO TO DISCHARGE LT AND OTHER STORES QUESTION SS BRIGITION NOW HERE  
AND REPLY AT EARLIEST URGENTLY REQUESTED

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Prepared by [Signature] COLONEL (rank) INFANTRY (org)  
Authenticated by E. L. SIMONS COLONEL (rank) INFANTRY (org)

FILE: APPROVED - CHRS

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SECRET OPERATIONAL PRIORITY TIME: NIL

FROM AFHQ SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGDM FHGCT

TO AC SARDINIA, MMIA, MMIA LO PBS, AC FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MOVWIT MOV LO SICILY

FX 81807

REFERENCE MMIA SD 2058 OF 7TH JANUARY.

FIRST. SITUATION SICILY NOW DEMANDS TANKS MUST ARRIVE PALERMO SOONEST POSSIBLE.

SECOND. ESSENTIAL YOU LOAD THEM BRIGHTON ETA CAGLIARI 10TH JANUARY AS CARLTON NOT RPT NOT ARRIVING CAGLIARI BEFORE 14TH JANUARY. AGREED PSTO MED.

THIRD. REPLY REQUESTED AS IN OUR FX 81335 OF 8TH JANUARY.

FOURTH. FOR MMIA. REQUEST YOU ENDEAVOUR TRANSMIT THIS SIGNAL BY W/T.

RESCRIPT 10 JANUARY 1945 /roz

COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

NO RECORD OF CBL FX 81335 OF 8 JAN 45

*Recd 15 Jan*

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO : ALCOM SARDINIA : MMIA FOR INFORMATION

FROM : SACRED CITE FHGDB FHGCT

REF. NR. FX81807

9 January 1945

REFERENCE MMIA SD 2028 of 7th January 1945.

PARA 1. SITUATION IN SICILY NOW REPEAT NOW DEMANDS TANKS, MUST ARRIVE SOONEST POSSIBLE.

PARA 2. ESSENTIAL YOU LOAD THEM ON "BRIGHTON" ESTIMATED TIME ARRIVAL CAGLIARI 10 JAN. CARLTON NOT REPEAT NOT ARRIVING CAGLIARI BEFORE 14 JAN. AGREED PSTO MEDITERRANEAN.

PARA 3. REPLY REQUESTED AS IN OUR FX8135 of 7th JAN.

PARA 4. REQUEST YOU ENDEAVOUR TRANSMIT THIS SIGNAL BY W/T

Rcd.  
10 JAN 45.

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FROM : ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ SACHED CITE FHGOT  
TO : ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ALLIED COMMISSION SARDINIA

SITUATION SICILY NOW DEMANDS TANKS, MUST ARRIVE PALERMO SOONEST POSSIBLE.  
ESSENTIAL YOU LOAD THEM ON HMS BRIGHTON ESTIMATED TIME ARRIVAL CAGLIARI  
10 JAN. HMS CARLTON NOT ARRIVING CAGLIARI BEFORE 14th JAN.  
AGREED PSTO MED. REPLY REQUESTED BY SIGNAL AS FAST AIR STATING TO WHICH  
VESSEL LOADING

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RECD. 10 JAN 45.

11.25 HRS.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 09 1430A

FROM MMIA

TO MMIA LO SARDINIA FOR ACTION, FOR INFO TO AC SICILY FOR MMIA LO

SD 2086

REFERENCE SD 2058 OF 7TH. UNDERSTAND 12 TANKS NOW TO BE TOP LOADED  
ON BRIGHTON DUE CAGLIARI 10TH.

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COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

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FILE: ARMoured CARS

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 08 1800 JAN

FROM AFHQ CITE FHGDM FHGCT

TO AICOM SARDINIA, INFO TO MMIA, MMIA LO PBS, AICOM FOR PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMISSION, MOVWIT, MOV LO SICILY

FX 81335

MMIA SD 2044 DATED 4 JAN AND OUR 78887 OF 4 JAN ARE REFERENCES.

1. TOP STOWAGE FOR FIRST DISCHARGE TO BE GIVEN TO 12 ITALIAN LIGHT  
TANKS. VESSEL WILL BE ROUTED VIA PALERMO AND THERE DISCHARGE TANKS  
ONLY.
2. ADVISE BY SIGNAL AND FAST AIR WHAT VESSEL IS LOADING THESE TANKS.
3. CONCURRED.

RESRIPT 15 JAN 45 /rrc

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Incoming Message 114/2

OPERATIONAL Priority

SECRET

From : AFHQ cite FBGLM PROCT  
To : Alcom SARDINIA (ACTION):  
MMIA: MMIA LO FBS: Alcom for Public Safety Commission:  
Movvit: MOV LO Sicily (info)

Ref Nr ; F X 81355

08 1800 Jan

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MMIA SD 2044 dated 4 Jan and our 78887 of 4 Jan are references.

1. Top stowage for first discharge to be given to 12 Italian light tanks. Vessel will be routed via PALERMO and there discharge tanks only.
2. Advise by signal and fast air what vessel is loading these tanks.
3. Concurred.

14 JAN RECD.

Paraphrased : EJI

Copy : MMIA

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Incoming Message 114/S

OPERATIONAL Priority

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FROM : AFHQ cite FAGIM PHOCE  
TO : ALCOM SARDINIA (ACTION):  
NMIA: NMIA LO PBS: ALCOM for Public Safety Commission:  
MOVWit: MOV LO Sicily (info)

Ref Nr ; F X 81355

08 1800 Jan

NMIA BD 2044 dated 4 Jan and our 78887 of 4 Jan are references.

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2. Advise by signal and fast air what vessel is loading these tanks.
3. Concurred.

14 JAN RECD.

Paraphrased : BJH

Copy : NMIA

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1. Top stowage for first discharge to be given to Italian light tanks. Vessel will be routed via PALERMO and there discharge tanks only.
2. Advise by signal and fast air what vessel is loading these tanks.
3. Concurred.

14 JAN RECD.

paraphrased : EJJH

Copy : MMIA

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 07 1730A

FROM MMIA

TO AFHQ (G-3 ORGANIZATION) FOR INFO TO MMIA LO SARDINIA, A.C. SICILY  
FOR MMIA LO, MMIA LO NAPLES, PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION AC, MIN OF WAR  
SD 2058

REF OUR SD 2044 OF 04. SHIPMENT 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS WILL NOW BE  
DIRECT FROM SARDINIA TO PALERMO ON CARLTON.  
FOR LONG. THESE TANKS WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL PALERMO TO LOCAL  
CC.RR. HQ AS PART EQUIPMENT OF THE 2 MOBILE CC.RR. BNS BEING FORMED SICILY.  
CONTACT LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION AC.  
FOR AFHQ. PLEASE NOTIFY ADDRESSEES ETA CAGLIARI ETA PALERMO.  
FOR SMITH. NO ACTION REQUIRED.

RESRIPT 8 JANUARY 1945 /rrc

COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

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PRIORITY SECRET 04 1210A

FROM MMIA

TO AFHQ G-3

FOR INFO LO SARDINIA, MMIA LO PES (56 AREA PLEASE PASS), PUBLIC SAFETY  
SUB COMM. A.C., MINISTRY OF WAR

SD 2044

SHIPMENT 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS MM (MILLIMETRE?) SARDINIA TO NAPLES.  
REQUEST YOU ALLOT SHIPPING SERIAL LIST 7. ESSENTIAL THESE SHOULD  
BE SHIPPED ON RETURN TRIP OF CARLTON SAILING FROM NAPLES IN NEXT FEW  
DAYS.

FOR SIMMONS. SELECT 12 BEST RUNNERS TO FILL THIS REQUIREMENT AND  
SUPERVISE DESPATCH TO MAINLAND.

FOR SMITH. THESE TANKS WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL AT NAPLES TO  
LOCAL CC.RR. HQ FOR ONWARD MOVEMENT TO SICILY AS PART CRATE EQUIPMENT  
OF THE 2 MOBILE CC.RR. BATTALIONS BEING FORMED IN SICILY

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Y AFP/vjt

LIAISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (AMIA)  
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

6 January 1945

SUBJECT: Light Tanks

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Reference your letter 122/Serv. dated 5 January 1945.
2. Information from our Headquarters in Rome has just been received for shipment to the mainland of 12 Italian Light Tanks on first available transport.
3. Arrange to have two more of the best running Light Tanks move to Cagliari at once so that this requirement can be filled.
4. Request that this office be advised when the 12 Light Tanks are assembled in Cagliari at 13th Artillery Depot.

F. L. STEPHENS  
Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

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TRANSLATION GC/rre 6 JAN 45

RADIO MESSAGE

STAFF - SERVICES

ROME

No. 121/Serv Reference radio message 6/8717 dated 7 December.  
This Hq provided for preparation of 10 light tanks type 35/38 complete  
with armament and efficient. Said tanks are assembled at Cagliari  
by the 13th Autieri depot.

C.M.S.

5 JAN 1945

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Staff Services Office

No. 122/Serv

APQ 75/A, 5 January 1945

TO COLONEL F. L. SIMMONS

M.M.I.A. - Army Sub Commission for Sardinia.

CAGLIARI.

.....for your information, following letter 31049 of 15/12/1944.

THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF  
Ten Col A. Mirelli  
/s/ Mirelli

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*Majr. Martin*

MASSO CRAND

STAMAGGIORE SERVIZI

ROMA

N. 121/Serv. alt. Referimento marconigramma 6/8717  
data 7 dicembre alt. Questo Comando habet appron-  
tato numero 10 carri armati leggeri tipo 35/38  
completi d'armamento et efficienti alt. Detti carri  
sono accantonati in Cagliari presso Deposito 13<sup>a</sup>  
Antieri PPE

F.to COMITAT SARDEGNA

5 Gennaio 1945

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P/da

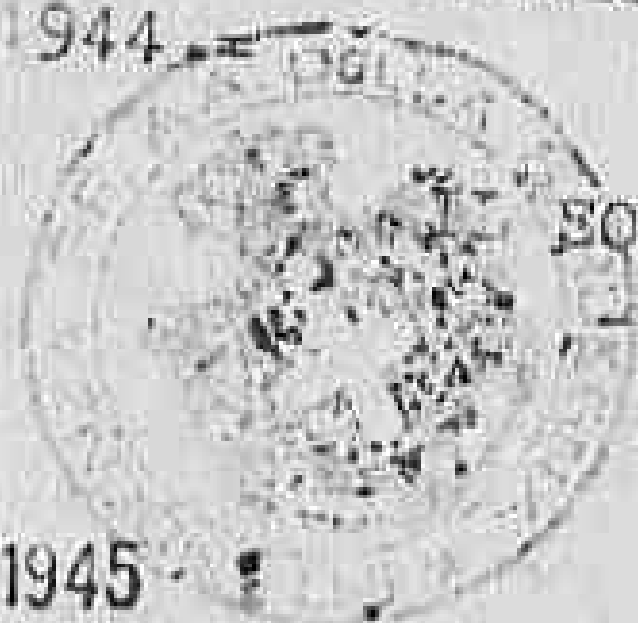
COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

N. 122 /Serv. di prot.

P.M. 75/A, 5 gennaio 1945

AL COLONNELLO P.L. SIMONS  
-M.M.I.A. - Sottocommissione della Sardegna -  
= CAGLIARI

.....per conoscenza, a seguito foglio 31049 in data  
15/12/1944



d'ordine  
SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
Ten. Col. A. Miralli

*Miralli*

JAN 6 1945

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 05 1730A

FROM MMIA

TO MMIA LO SARDINIA

MOV 661

PARAPHRASE OF AFHQ SIGNAL SIGNED SACMED CITE FHGDM FHGCT FX 78887  
DATED 4 JAN FOLLOWS. SUBJECT IS 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS NOW AWAITING  
SHIPMENT AT CAGLIARI. REQUEST YOU LOAD ON FIRST AVAILABLE LIST 7  
VESSEL

RESRIPT 6 JANUARY 1945 /rrc

COPY TO MAJOR MARTIN

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TO SARDINIA

URGENT

ROME TO CAGLIARI

No. 1067 79/TF OF 7 DECEMBER 1620 HOURS

TO COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA - CAGLIARI

FROM STAFF - SERVICES - 6/8717/SERV

FROM THE SOUTHERN ACC FOR COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA

TO SARDINIA FOR ACC REGION 6 FOR C.M.S.

ADDRESSED CMS AND FOR INFO TO WAR CABINET AND LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ACMC MMIA.

L.F.C. ORDERED THAT YOUR HQ HAVE 10 LIGHT TANKS FULLY EFFICIENT  
READY FOR LATER TRANSFER TO THE MAINLAND AS SOON AS SHIPPING SPACE  
WILL BE PROVIDED BY LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AC. YOU ARE REQUESTED  
TO ISSUE ADEQUATE ORDERS INFORMING THIS STAFF OF THE LOCATION OF SAID  
TANKS. STAFF - SERVICES 162007

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Chief of Staff Services Office

No. 31048/Serv. di prot.

APD 75/A, 15 December 1944

TO: Allied Headquarters - Colonel Simmons' Office. Cagliari

.....for your information.

DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF 2540  
Lieut Colonel A. Mirelli  
/s/ Mirelli

Col Simmons: - These tanks are now at 13<sup>th</sup> Autieri under  
Capt Varugo  
Not to be shipped until further instruction

L O S A R D I N I A

RESTO URGENTISSIMO CAGLIARI DA ROMA HOO UNO ZERO SEI SETTE GRUPPI SETTE  
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 SETTE BARRA SERV ALI PARENTE FROM HE SOUTHERN ACC FOR COMIT SARDEGNA  
 TO SARDINIA FOR ACC REGION SII FOR COMIT SARDEGNA PAREN DESTINATARIO  
 COMIT SARDEGNA ET PER CONOSCENZA AT GUERRA CASINOTTO ET LAND FORCES  
 SUE COMMISSION AGMC M N I A ALI L.E.O. HADDT DISPOSTO CHE CODESTO COMANDO  
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 GIORE SERVIZI UNO SEI DUE ZERO SETTE

AU/rb

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
 Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

n. 31048 /serv. di prot.

P.L. 73/A. 14 15 dicembre 1944

AL COMANDO ALLEATO  
 Ufficio del Colonnello SIMMONS

CAGLIARI

..... per conoscenza.

d'ordine

SOTTOCOMANDO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
 (Ten. Col. A. Nirelli)

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
 Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

n. 31048 /serv. di prot. P.M. 75/A, 11 15 dicembre 1944

AL COMANDO ALLIATO  
 Ufficio del Colonnello SIMMONS

CASILLANI

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.....per conoscenza.



8° ordine  
 SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE  
 (Ten. Col. A. Mirelli)

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA  
Organization Office

No. 10787/B/Ord.

A.P.O. 50, 25 November 1944

SUBJECT: Armoured vehicles in Sardinia

TO : M.M.I.A. Allied Garrison Sardinia  
Colonel Simmons' Office - Cagliari

Reference letter dated 20 November.

1. Attached herewith is a chart showing the armoured vehicles available on the Island (efficient or easily repairable).
2. It is brought to your attention that:
  - the majority of the vehicles have the heavy and light tool sets incomplete as well as the organizational equipment;
  - the armament of the Light Tanks 3/35 have been turned in to the Siligina warehouse; that concerning the other types of armoured vehicles have been disassembled and stored at the Guspini and Dolianova warehouses;
  - the majority of the tank batteries have been turned in to the 13th Auto Park at Abbasanta;
  - there does not exist any more tank-personnel in Sardinia skilled with such vehicles since said servicemen were transferred to the "Cremona" Combat Group as complements.

By order  
THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
/s/ Inigi Castellani  
/s/ L. Castellani

Copy to Major Hall

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LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION, SARDINIA, APO 397 U.S. Army, 2 December 1944

TO: Commanding General, Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C. (MIA).

1. Reference cable AQ 2222 undated.  
The above information has been received from Comando Militare Sardegna.

G. L. FOSSETT, Major  
for F. L. SIMMONS,  
Colonel, Infantry

ARMoured VEHICLES STATUS

| Type                 | Location  | Efficient | Easily<br>repairable | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| L. 3/35 Tank         | Guspini   | 75        | 8                    | 83    |
| M. 13 - 14 - 15 Tank | Guspini   | 40        | 7                    | 47    |
| M. 14 Self-propelled | Guspini   | 63        | 5                    | 68    |
| S.O.M.U.A. Tank      | Dolianova | 10        | 13                   | 23    |

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA ~~XXXXXXXX~~

Ufficio Ordinamento

N° 10715/B/ord. di prot. P.M. 75/A - 25 nov. 1944

OGGETTO: Mezzi corazzati in Sardegna.

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Allied Garrison Sardinia -  
- Ufficio del Colonnello SIMMONS -

Cagliari

Riferimento foglio in data 20 corrente.

- 1 = Si trasmette in allegato uno specchio dal quale risulta la disponibilità di mezzi corazzati (efficienti o facilmente recuperabili) esistenti nell'Isola.
- 2 = Si fa presente che:
- la quasi totalità dei mezzi è incompleta di caricamento esterno, interno e di dotazione;
  - l'armamento dei carri L. 3/35 è stato versato al magazzino di Siliqua; quello relativo agli altri tipi di mezzi corazzati trovati smontato nei magazzini di Guspini e Dolianova;
  - la quasi totalità delle batterie dei carri è stata versata al 13° Parco Automobilistico di Abbasanta;
  - in Sardegna non esiste più personale carrista, pratico dei mezzi, in quanto i militari sono stati trasferiti al Gruppo Combattimento "Cremona" quali complementi.

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

- Col. Luigi Castellani -

*Luigi Castellani*

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## SITUAZIONE MEZZI CORAZZATI

| T i p o                       | Dislocazione | Efficienti | Abbisogn. piccole ri parazioni | T O T A L E |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
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LIAISON OFFICER  
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)  
Allied Garrison Sardinia  
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

20 November 1944

SUBJECT: Armoured Vehicles in Sardinia.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Please send to this office as soon as possible the details of all

- a. Armoured Carriers.
- b. Armoured Cars
- c. Light Tanks

which are at present available in Sardinia, and which are efficient or can easily be repaired.

(5)  
A. M. NEWTON, Capt  
for P. L. SIMMONS  
Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Liaison Officer

*Reminded Col Constantino 24 Nov*

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FROM IMA

TO AGC SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS IMA LO FOR ACTION

CITE AQ 2222

REPORT SOONEST NUMBER OF A ARMoured CARRIERS B. ARMoured CARS  
C. LIGHT TANKS EFFICIENT OR EASILY REPAIRABLE AT PRESENT AVAILABLE  
IN SARDINIA.

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TO AGC SARDINIA. CONFIDENTIAL PD FOR SIMMONS MMIA LO PD REPORT SOONEST  
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BY A D L S.

Letter to C. H. S.  
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