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Depot Inspections

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

R/12

27 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and request that necessary action be taken to correct discrepancies found by inspections for the preceding week:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit or Depot</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
a. 24 Oct.	59th Inf. Regt.	NCO's kitchen dirty and outside bits of food lying about - unsanitary. Excreta from open latrines not covered - <u>most unsanitary</u> . Although some hot water was available for washing mess kits the men were still washing them at the cold water faucet - very unsanitary around same. Many flies around kitchen. Col Motzo stated he required 100 pr shoes, also 20 uniforms for men in civilian clothes. He also stated the morale of officers low due to small pay and increased living conditions for their family, and the morale of the men low due to lack of clothing. Inspected 3 of the 4 unit's trucks, one engine dirty and oil very low. Most of the approximately 80 horses are in poor condition, which in my opinion should not be for the small amount of work they do and forage ration they receive. There is an improvement over previous inspection but the sanitary conditions are not yet satisfactory, especially the latrines and washing mess kits at the cold water faucets. Col Motzo stated that they had only water 3 hours per day and it was insufficient to keep things clean. The hour I was there there was a great quantity of water running away, not being used. I suggested that either the excreta at the latrines be covered with sand or to have tight lids made for the holes to keep the flies out. Col Motzo stated he could not get lumber or nails from the Engineers. The report from Engineer Depot last month showed a large quantity of both on hand. This material should be used to better the conditions of the Italian Army, especially sanitary conditions.
b. 26 Oct.	Macomer Food Depot	Satisfactory except 43 kgs of meat over. This was taken up on their stock record. A great improvement over last two inspections. They have been holding approximately 2400 kgs of bacon for some time on instructions from previous depot officer. This bacon should be issued with the other meat to give a variety. The officer in charge requests to be given authority to dispose of a quantity of bags and boxes that is in the old warehouse.

- c 26 Oct. 2nd Bn 40th
Inf. Regt.
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sanitary conditions around same. They
have hot water for washing mess kits but
the men are not compelled to use same.
- d 26 Oct. 14th Repair Unit
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last two inspections.

LRA/sep

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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LIAISON OFFICER
 LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.O. 384, U.S. Army

R/12

25 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection

TO : Commanding Officer, Italian Naval Forces in Sardinia
 Commanding Officer, Italian Naval Forces in Cagliari

1. Inspected the Cagliari Naval Food Depot 24 October and found everything very satisfactory except they were over approximately 600 kgs on meat, including the 15 day reserve for 1000 personnel. As the personnel decreases the 15 day reserve ration should be decreased to the approximate feeding strength in all foods.

2. For your information the following should govern the meat and fish issues:

<u>Allied Provided Items</u>	<u>Per Man Per Day</u>	<u>Equivalent If Basic Items Are Not Available</u>
Meat canned or Fish preserved	3 oz	Salmon 3 oz or Sardines 2 oz or Herring 4 oz

LESTER R. ALBERT,
 Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
 Senior Liaison Officer.

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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

R/12

20 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections - Guards

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. When food was unloaded from the S/S Abazia on the dock, all broken cases were removed to the depot. Guards were placed on the remaining food piles at the dock. Upon removing the remainder of the food a number of cases were broken open and cans of food had been removed. Also guards have been found asleep on the piles of food in broad day light, I do not know if they remained awake at night.
2. It is clear that the guards did not do their duty and request that steps be taken to punish them.
3. Also in the future more responsible personnel should be assigned to guarding food and officers of the unit should make periodic inspections.
4. Note that bags of flour are used as "step up" to load trucks which not only is unsanitary but breaks the bags. This should be discontinued.

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LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

Copy to:
Commissary Section

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Translation RF/sup 24 Oct. 45

CALABRIA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

No. 6413/M-1-3/Serv

23 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections

TO : MMIA Liaison Office for Sardinia

Reference letter R/12 of 20 October 1945.

I have given instructions to expedite the repair works at the 31st Engr Barracks.

I have invited the consignor of the food depot to take more care in cleaning his depot.

I have instructed the Territorial Office for Sardinia to issue various kinds of food so that the meals will be more appreciated by the troops.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA,"

- Ufficio S.M. - Sez. Cc. e Servizi -

N. 5413/M-1-3/seraffi prot.

P. M. 75, li 23 Ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni. =

ALDA M.M.I.A. - Ufficio Collegamento per le Sardegna

- C A G L I A R I -

Riferimento foglio R/12 in data 20 ottobre.

Ho dato disposizioni perchè i lavori di adattamento in corso presso la nuova caserma del XXXIIo Battaglione Genio siano accelerati al massimo possibile. -

Ho invitato il consegnatario del magazzino viveri a meglio curare la pulizia. -

Ho interessato l'Ufficio Territoriale perchè la distribuzione dei viveri alle truppe sia di tipo variato, si da rendere il rancio più gradito alle truppe. =

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
- Alessandro Meccario -

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

- C A G L I A R I -

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IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
- Alessandro Maccarlo -



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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.C. 384, U.S. Army

R/12

20 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and request that necessary action be taken to correct discrepancies found in inspections for the preceding week.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit or Depot</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
19 October	Cagliari Distributing Depot	Satisfactory except small amount of food exposed to flies and grounds in front not policed.
19 October	31st Mixed Engineer Bn.	Satisfactory except kitchen sink and floor dirty, mess kits dirty and toilets not flushed. This unit is in new quarters and are preparing them for suitable living quarters.

2. In many instances note that one type of canned meat only issued to a unit for full 15 days. There are 4 or 5 types of meat and fish on the Island and recommend that shipments be made to distributing depots so a variety of meat (at least 2 kinds) can be issued to the units.

LRA/sap

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

Copy to:
Commissary Section in Sardinia (Info) (Direct)

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Translation MF/sap 18 Oct. 1945

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CALABRIA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

No. 6221/M-2/Serv

16 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Lt. Col. Albert, MIA Sardinia

Further to letter 5957/M-2/Serv dated 8 October 1945.

I have made in these days an inspection tour to the various units for which you had notified me of the well known inconveniences.

1. Military Bakery

The screens have been put on with the proper frames and poison has been given to kill the rats.

2. 14th Repair Shop Abbasanta

The program of eliminating the inconveniences you noticed is proceeding satisfactory.

3. Food Depot Heomer

The consignor of the food depot has seen the depot of Sassari. The depot transferred in another building is kept in a satisfactory way.

4. Nuoro Detachment

The inconveniences you noticed have been eliminated.

5. Food Depot Sassari

Instructions have been given so that the 31st Drivers Co. will furnish the trucks needed for transportation of the rations.

6. Dispensary Sassari

We are now putting screens on the windows. *for winter films.*

7. General Hqs VI Brigade and 40th Regt. Sassari

The inconveniences have been eliminated.

8. 31st M.T. Co/^{Sassari} and 14th Transportation Co. Cagliari

The inconveniences found have been eliminated. 4818

9. All the units have still some difficulties to wash the mess tins with hot water as I pointed out in the referred letter. I hope to solve soon this problem.

I thank you for your information and your cooperation.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division CommanderFile
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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA,"

-Ufficio S.M.-Saz.Op. e servizi -

N. 5221/A-2/serv. di prot.

P. M. 75, li 18 ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.

AL LT. COL. A. L. B. M. R. T.
M.M.I.A. Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

Seguito foglio 5957/A-2/serv. in data 8 ottobre 1945 -

Ho in questi giorni effettuato un giro di ispezione a diversi invii e reparti, per i quali mi erano state segnalate le note deficienze, al fine di assicurarmi se le stesse erano state eliminate ed eventualmente completare in posto le disposizioni già date al riguardo.

- 1 - Panificio Militare:
Sono state applicate le reti sanitarie con relativi telai ed è stato provveduto alla somministrazione del valano per i retti.
- 2 - 14° Reparto Riparazioni di Assente:
L'eliminazione degli inconvenienti riscontrati procede in modo soddisfacente.
- 3 - Magazzino Viveri di Macomer:
Il Consegustante del Magazzino Viveri ha preso visione del funzionamento del magazzino di Sassari.
Il magazzino, trasferito in altri locali, funziona in modo soddisfacente.
- 4 - Distaccoamento di Nuoro:
Gli inconvenienti riscontrati sono stati eliminati.
- 5 - Magazzino Viveri di Sassari:
Sono state impartite disposizioni perchè la 31^a Compagnia Autieri metta a disposizione del magazzino gli automezzi occorrenti al trasporto delle derrate.

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6 - 22^a Infermeria Presidiaria - Sassari -:

Si sta provvedendo alla sistemazione delle reti senza riere alle finestre.

7 - quartier Generale VI Brigata e 40^o Reggimento Sassari:

Sono stati eliminati gli inconvenienti.

8 - 31^a Compagnia Artieri Sassari e 14^a Compagnia Trasporti Amministrativi - Cagliari:

Le deficienze riscontrate sono state eliminate.

9 - Permangono ancora per tutti i reparti le difficoltà già da me rappresentate col foglio cui faccio seguito, circa la levatura gavette con acqua calda, spero tuttavia di poter risolvere presto questo problema.

Rinnovo il mio ringraziamento per le segnalazioni fattemi e per la attiva collaborazione.

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
- Alessandro Maccario -



Translation/EF/sep 9 Oct. 45

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CALABRIA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

No. 5957/L-2/Sorv

8 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : MIA Liaison Office for Sardinia

Reference letter R/12 dated 6 October 1945.

I thank you for the communication made in the referred letter.

I have given instructions to avoid the inconveniences mentioned. I will see personally at the units what has been done.

I have taken disciplinary measures against the responsible persons.

Incidentally I notify you that since the 1st of July I have notified the superior authorities the necessity to increase the fuel ration to wash the mess tins in hot water. My request has been disapproved by letter 12836/VC dated 21 August from War Ministry (copy att).

With the present ration of wood, 300 grams per man and considering that now the units are going towards the cold season, they have great difficulty to provide hot water to wash mess tins.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division CommanderFile
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Translation EF/sep 10 Oct. 45

WAR MINISTRY

21 August 1945

No. 12856/VC

SUBJECT: Request of A Special Issue of Wood for Fire.

TO : Territorial Office for Sardinia.

We are sorry to notify you that it is not possible to give authority for a special issue of fire wood for heating water to wash mess tins. This has to be done with the normal issue of wood to cook the meals.

If we approve this for you it should be approved for all Italy with a great expense for the Military Administration.

We notify you that the present ration of wood will be locked over for an adequate increase this winter.

/s/ Pelligra
/t/ PELLIGRA
Il Ministro

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA",

— Ufficio S.M. — Sez. Op. e Servizi —

N. 5957/A-2/Serv.di prot.

P. M. 75, li 8 ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni. =

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ALLA M.M. I.A. =Uff. Collegamento per la Sardegna =

= C A G L I A R I =

Riferimento foglio R/12 in data 6 ottobre 1945.-

Ringrazio per le segnalazioni fattemi con il foglio a riferimento.-

Ho dato disposizioni che gli inconvenienti lamentati siano eliminati al più presto.-

Mi accerterò personalmente presso i reparti di quanto sarà fatto.-

Ho preso provvedimenti a carico dei responsabili.-

Con l'occasione comunico che fin dai primi di luglio ho rappresentato alle Superiori Autorità la necessità di un aumento della spettanza legna individuale, per poter lavare le gavette in acqua calda; la mia richiesta è rimasta inessa come appare dal foglio 12836/VO. in data 21 agosto del Ministero Guerre, che allego in copia.-

Con l'attuale spettanza legna - gr. 200 a convivente - ed in considerazione della stagione fredda cui si va incontro, i reparti trovano grandi difficoltà a provvedere al riscaldamento dell'acqua per la lavatura gavette. =

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
Alessandro Maccario -

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dell'8 ottobre 1945

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Direz.Gen.Serv.Comm/to.
ed Amm/vi. -Div.Vestiario -Equipaggiamento-Caser-
maggio e Combustibili - Sezione 2^a

n. 12856/VC. di prot. P.M. 3800, 21 agosto 1945
OGGETTO : circa richiesta assegnazione straordinaria di
legna da ardere.-

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI

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Si é spiacenti dover comunicare che non é possibi-
le concedere assegnazioni straordinarie di legna per la le-
vatura delle gevette, in quanto a tale esigenza deve prov-
vedersi con la spettanza normale per la confezione del ran-
cio.

Inoltre, una eventuale adesione alla richiesta por-
terebbe all'estensione del provvedimento, con grave onere
per l'Amministrazione Militare negli approvvigionamenti.

Si soggiunge, però, che le attuali competenze legna
saranno rivedute per un adeguato aumento nel prossimo inver-
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p. IL MINISTRO
F/to : P e l l i g r a

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L'UFFICIALE ADDETTO
(Magg. Carlo Bordini)

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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

R/12

6 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and request that necessary action be taken to correct discrepancies found in inspections for the preceding week.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit or Depot</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
a. 2 October	14 Repair Unit Abbasanta	bits of food scattered in front of kitchen, washing mess kits in cold water and bits of food lying about water drain - unsanitary. No lid on garbage can. No mess hall for RM and there are several vacant buildings. Some improvement over last inspection. All their 4 unit trucks inefficient - This is an Auto repair unit.
b. 3 October	Food Depot Macomer	Had been holding for months 4 tons of flour, claimed to have sent in it. Inspected several bags and could find no indication of sand or in any other way unfit for human consumption. Gave instructions to issue same and if any was found unfit to set it aside to be condemned on my next trip. Some food stacks had no stock cards and the floor of the Depot was dirty. They had issued Allied coffee when they still had a quantity of Italian surrogate on hand and on the previous inspection they had issued Allied meat when they still had German stew, contrary to instructions. They had 77 kgs sausage and 101 kgs corn beef over and not accounted for in their records, neither was the surrogate mentioned above on their stock records. Lt. Libero, in command, stated that he did not take actual stock inventory at the end of each period as he did not have time, this is not complying with instructions and I directed him to do so. I suggested that Lt. Libero visit the Food Depot at Sassari and get some ideas how a depot should be run. He said he knew how but lacked help. He has 9 RM while Sassari Depot has 10, but Sassari issues twice as much food as Macomer. I recommended that you direct him to go to Sassari to learn how a depot should be run. In the last two inspections conditions at the Macomer depot have not been satisfactory, we have to return a great number of their ST/U's for correction and many came illegible. Request that Lt. Libero get on the job or you replace him with someone that will.

- c. 2 October 2nd Bn. 40th Infantry Regt. Macomer Satisfactory, except they had 6 days meat in surplus. Should not build up a reserve.
- d. 2 October 5th Co. 40th Infantry Regt. Macro Kitchen dirty, bits of food and rubbish in front of kitchen and around grounds. Floors of quarters and halls very dirty. Latrines filthy - not flushed. Had mess hall, but too far from kitchen and was not being used. As a whole, unsatisfactory.
- e. 3 October Food & Forage Depots Sassari Very satisfactory. Admin commend Lt. Scapellitti and his staff. They are having some difficulty to get Army vehicles to move supplies from railroad to depots. Took this matter up with Colonel Groticla at VI Brigade Hdqs, also about furnishing soldiers' details, he said same would be taken care of. With the 31 MT Co. at Sassari it should not be necessary to hire civilian transportation, that is one reason for having military transportation.
- f. 3 October 22 Camp Reception Hospital Sassari Had 50 patients, 20 of which malaria mostly CC.RR. Small bed stands dirty. Many flies in wards and kitchen. Had suggested that windows be screened last June. They told me they had the screening and requested the Engineers to screen them but to no avail.
- g. 3 October Hq. Co. VI Brigade and 40 Infantry Regiment Sassari Were supplying warm water but not hot water for washing mess kits. Some were being washed under cold water faucets, bits of food about and unsanitary. VI Brigade Hq. Co. store room open tins of food exposed to flies.
- h. 3 October 31 MT Company Sassari Washing mess kits at cold water faucets, bits of food about and unsanitary. 7 out of 31 trucks are inefficient. Over half of the truck engines dirty. Kitchen - some improvement over last inspection. Many vacant buildings but no place for men to eat.
- i. 4 October 14 Terr. Adm. Transportation Co. Cagliari Of their 65 vehicles, 35 are inefficient. Vehicle engines very dirty, tires not properly inflated and general care of vehicles unsatisfactory. Garage floor dirty and sand barrels for fire filled with trash and not properly placed. Gas dump and all surroundings very dirty. Kitchen floor and in front of kitchen dirty. Mess tin washed at cold water faucets. Bits of food about-unsanitary. No mess hall for men to eat their food. Strongly recommend that either the room occupied by Det. Hq Calabria Div. or Det 14 Supply Unit be used for a mess hall, as it is near the kitchen, and the Det. be quartered elsewhere. Floor of quarters dirty and latrine not flushed. About 100 men have no mattresses or bed sacks for straw, this shows lack of interest in the welfare of the men and should be corrected at once. As a whole the inspection of this unit is very unsatisfactory and shows no improvement over previous inspection.

1. General. All the above units inspected are in permanent quarters. There is no reason why 2 kettles of hot (not warm) water cannot be supplied by each unit for washing mess kits each meal, near the kitchen and mess hall. Greasy food cannot be removed by cold water and bits of food washed about the water faucet makes a very unsanitary condition. There are many empty buildings and there is no reason why, with a little initiative on the part of the officers, that mess halls cannot be provided near the kitchen. When food has to be carried a long distance before eaten it becomes cold and not tasty and when it is eaten here and there bits of food are spilled and thrown about which is very unsanitary.

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LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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Translation JG/roz 3 October 1945

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CALABRIA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

N. 5727/M-1-3

1 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : MMIA Liaison Office for Sardinia

Cagliari

Reference letter R/12 dated 28 September 1945.

I have given instructions so that the inconveniences that you found will not be repeated.

I have taken disciplinary action against the responsible persons, since the excuses they made were not acceptable.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA,,

- Ufficio S.M. - Sez. Op. e Servizi -

N. 5727/16.13 di prot.

P. M. 75, li 1° ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni. =

ALLA M.M.I.A. = UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO PER LA SARDEGNA

= C A G L I A R I =

Riferimento foglio R/12 in data 29 settembre u.s.-

Ho provveduto a dare le necessarie disposizioni perchè gli inconvenienti lamentati siano eliminati al più presto.-

Ho preso provvedimenti disciplinari a carico dei responsabili, non essendo accettabili le giustificazioni addotte. =

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE

- Alessandro Maccario -

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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

R/12

28 September 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Last June I recommended that the Cagliari Military Bakery be screened. To date there is no screen door and many flies were on the bread and dough, which is most unsanitary. The Major in charge stated he had contacted the Engineer several times for screen door but to no avail. Request immediate action be taken to have Engineer erect screen door without delay.

2. Colonel Savarese, Engineer Section, stated he did not have transportation and it handicapped him in doing his work. The transportation on the island should be distributed so each section can accomplish their work.

3. Many rats are destroying grain at the Cagliari Forage Depot. The Lieut. in charge stated he had no poison to destroy them. It is essential that these rats be eliminated.

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LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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LIAISON OFFICER
 LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.C. 384, U.S. Army

R/12

14 September 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : Commanding Officer, Italian Naval Forces in Sardinia.
 Commanding Officer, Italian Naval Forces in Cagliari.

1. Inspected the Navy Food Depot at Cagliari 14 September and found general appearance and conditions much better than last inspection on 21 July. The following is for your information and request action be taken to correct discrepancies.

2. They still do not have any Stock Record Cards showing the amount of food in each stack. Suggest that the officer in charge of the depot visit the Cagliari Army Bulk or Distributing Depot to learn how this is done. Neither do they have a running daily balance sheet showing just how much food is in the depot at the close of each day. Suggest they contact the Army depots about this also.

3. a. Checked the flour and they were 8 days short to have flour to 20 September (Incl.) and 15 days reserve for approximately 1200 personnel.

b. Checked the meat and they were 25 days in excess to 20 September and the required 15 days reserve. This included 11 days (1155 lbs) of Italian meat, which instructions were given last April to be issued and consumed prior to Allied meat. I directed your Capt. Starace in charge to issue no more Allied meat until the Italian meat is consumed. Request you check to see that these instructions are complied with.

4. Instructions given in Paragraph 3 of our R/3 subject Rations for Italian Navy dated 2 July 1945 is not being complied with. They should be drawn based on actual strength with 15 day reserve.

5. Paragraph 2 b of our R/3 subject Reserve Rations Held by Italian Navy of 2 June 1945 in regard to making applications for rations for emergency ships is not being complied with. To date have not received the applications for ship *Aliso* authorized 1 September and rations have not been drawn at Army Bulk Depot for ^{the} ship 30 August and 1 September nor for Ship *Ibis* authorized 2 September. These ~~rations~~

should be drawn on separate ST/6's and without delay after being approved. Captain Starace stated that Maddalena did not send report on Aliseo for 1 September. Request Maddalena comply with instructions more promptly.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer

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Translation EF/roz 19 September 45

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CALABRIA I.S. DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Operation and Service Section

N. 5306/M/1/Serv.

17 September 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : MMIA Liaison Office for Sardinia.

Reference is made to R/12 of 15 current month.

1. For the wine we have already provided, getting from the War Ministry the authority (telegram from the General Commissary and Administration Services Direction) No. 16957/1 of 13 September) to make new contracts for wine with 12% alcohol. Before the alcohol established by the War Ministry was 11%. This was too low and not fit to guarantee the conservation of the wine. A late stock of wine offered by the firm Mostallino of Cagliari was refused because of an excess of sourness (0.40%). This was found by the analysis made at the University of Cagliari. This explains why only a reserve for 5 days is available in the depot.

2. The soldiers attached to the 60th Regiment are being transferred to said Regiment (on 13 September 12 men were actually transferred). The transfer depends upon the necessity not to exceed the authorized strength of the 60th Regiment. On the other hand, I do not think fit for the men of the 60th to go back to their Regiment (236th) because it is necessary to keep at Iglesias a certain number of men for public order. For the men attached to other units, I call to your attention that the matter is temporary and I had to do it to meet emergency cases, public order, repairing depots etc. In the future I will see that this is avoided as far as possible.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA,,

- Ufficio S.M. - Sez. Op. e Servizi -

N. 5306/M/1/Serv di prot.

P. M. 75, li 17 settembre 1941

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.-

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

- Cagliari -

Mi riferisco al foglio pari oggetto R/12 del 15 corr.

- a) - Per il vino si è già provveduto ottenendo dal Ministero della Guerra l'autorizzazione (telegramma della Direzione Generale Servizi di Commissariato ed Amministrativi n°16957/S/1 del 13 corrente) a stipulare un nuovo contratto con la gradazione alcolica di 12 gradi.

Prima, la gradazione alcolica stabilita dal Ministero della Guerra, era di 11 gradi, gradazione troppo bassa e non idonea a garantire, data la stagione, la buona conservazione del vino, tanto che l'ultima partita offerta dalla Ditta fornitrice (Mostallino di Cagliari) venne rifiutata perchè all'analisi fatta eseguire presso la Regia Università di Cagliari, si era trovato un eccesso di acidità volatile (0,40).-

Questo mancato acquisto spiega la esistenza in magazzino per soli 5 giorni.-

- b) - Per i soldati aggregati al 60° Reggimento sono in atto di disposizioni per l'assorbimento da parte dello stesso Reggimento (in data 13 corrente sono già stati trasferiti 12 militari).

L'assorbimento è subordinato alle necessità di non superare la forza autorizzata del 60° Reggimento; d'altra parte ritengo opportuno, per il momento, di far rientrare gli aggregati al loro Reggimento (236°) per mantenere ad Iglesias la forza adeguata alle prevedibili esigenze di Ordine Pubblico.

Recd
A. Lupat.

Per quanto si riferisce ad aggregazioni ad altri reparti, rappresento che trattasi di aggregazioni a carattere temporaneo, alle quali ho dovuto ricorrere per fronteggiare esigenze varie (ordine pubblico - lavori di riordinamento di magazzini ecc.).

Ad ogni modo assicuro che cercherò di evitare per l'avvenire di ricorrere a tale provvedimento.-

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE

- Alessandro Maccario -

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

R/12

15 September 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and necessary action to correct discrepancies found in inspections for period 2-15 September 1945.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit or Depot</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
<u>a.</u> 5 Sept.	Cagliari Distributing Depot	Satisfactory except wine very light quality, sour and has a tendency to become more sour rapidly when removed from barrels. Only 5 days supply available.
<u>b.</u> 11 Sept.	Hq. 5 Brigade and 60th Inf. Regiment	Very satisfactory. Colonel Senes is improving the grounds and seems to take a great interest in the welfare of his men. He requested shoes, have authorized 75 pair for his regiment. There was 613 kgs decayed Italian biscuits on hand - told him to use for horse feed.

There has been 67 personnel from the 236 Infantry Regiment attached to this Regiment for 4 months. Colonel Senes stated it was due to the 236th being overstrength. Strongly suggest these men be assigned to the 60th Inf. Regiment without delay. There seems to be a great deal of personnel attached from one unit to another on the island. Is all this necessary?

LR/roz

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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Translation EF/sap 9 October 1945

CALABRIA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

No. 5603/M-1-1/Serv

7 October 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : MMIA Liaison Office for Sardinia

Reference letter R/12 dated 1 September 1945.

1. The Navy Headquarters had to draw a large amount of food (33000 rations). As it was not possible to transport said rations all in one day the Bulk Depot in agreement with the Navy Headquarters thought to make out the ST/8 Form K at the end of the issue so to avoid corrections in totaling the number. This is necessary on an issue of such an amount. I have given instructions to the Bulk Depot to make the issues only after it has the proper ST/8, even if the issue has to be made in more than one day and corrections must be made.
2. The Navy Headquarters has indicated the period for which the issue was made when it made out the ST/8, as the unit drawing must indicate the period.
3. For the excess of cheese an investigation is being made. I will notify your office.
4. I have ordered the Bulk Depot to bring up to date the records and clean the depot.
5. Disciplinary action has been taken against the responsible persons.

/s/ Alexander Maccario
/t/ ALEXANDER MACCARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA",

- Ufficio S.M. - Sez. Op. e Servizi -

N. 5663/M-1-1/servi prot.

P. M. 75, li 7 ottobre 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.=

ALLA M.M.I.A. = UFF. COLLEGAMENTO PER LA SARDEGNA =
= C A G L I A R I =

Riferimento foglio R/12 del 7° settembre u.s.-

1. - Il Comando Marina doveva effettuare il prelevamento di un rilevante quantitativo di derrate (33.000 razioni). Data l'impossibilità, da parte del predetto Comando, di effettuare l'intero trasporto in una sola giornata, il deposito speciale viveri, d'accordo col Comando Marina, ritenne opportuno che il buono modello "K" venisse rilasciato solo a prelevamento ultimato, in modo da evitare la necessità di apportare rettifiche sui quantitativi indicati per lievi arrotondamenti, che sono inevitabili in un prelevamento di tale entità.-
Ho tuttavia disposto che il deposito speciale viveri effettui le distribuzioni solo quando è in possesso del regolare buono modello "K", anche se si presenta la necessità di ripartirle in più giorni e di apportare rettifiche.-
2. - Il Comando Marina nel presentare il buono modello "K" ha specificato il periodo cui si riferiva il prelevamento, poichè spetta all'ente prelevante indicarne il periodo esatto.-
3. - Per quanto riguarda l'eccedenza di fornaggio sono in corso accertamenti.
Informerò codesto Ufficio ad accertamenti effettuati.-
4. - Ho dato disposizioni perchè il deposito speciale viveri provveda all'aggiornamento dei registri e alla pulizia dei locali.-
5. - Ho preso provvedimenti disciplinari a carico dei responsabili.=

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IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
- Alessandro Maccario -



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

R/12

1 September 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Forwarded for your information and necessary action to correct discrepancies found in inspections for preceding week.

a On 1 September inspected Bulk Depot at Cagliari.

(1) Food was being issued to Navy on statement from Commissary Section and no ST/8 had been produced. Gave instructions not to issue any food prior to receiving an ST/8 Form.

(2) Commissary Section letter No. 7354/1/V of 27 August did not state for which period food was to be issued for.

(3) Check on cheese and found 55 kgs surplus stock over records.

(4) Officer in charge stated he had not been taking physical inventories at end of each period, as previously instructed, due to lack of help. Inventories will be taken as prescribed. Sufficient help should be assigned to the depot in accordance with Table of Organization.

(5) Floor in part of depot dirty.

LRA/sap

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

Copy to:
Commissary Section, Sardinia (Direct)

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (N.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 304, U.S. Army

R/12

29 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and necessary action to correct discrepancies found in inspections for preceding week.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit or Depot</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
<u>a</u> 24 Aug	14th Repair Unit Abbasanta	Administration unsatisfactory - Capt Orru in command for about 2 weeks but knew very little about unit, nor did anyone else. Kitchen dirty, many flies and unsatisfactory, bits of food and tin cans about. Unit has been there 3 months and have no latrine - Most unsatisfactory. Instructions were given to correct at once. There are 31 civilian mechanics and helpers and only 4 Military mechanics. No qualified mechanics were sent from Capt Verango's Detachment or 5th Efficient Vehicle Park, what there were in these 2 Detachments went on leave. Of the so called mechanics sent to unit they were not qualified. There are still men of the unit doing work at various dumps which should be done by personnel from other units. This unit should be made a "Repair Unit" in fact as well as name.
<u>b</u> 24 Aug	2nd Bn 40th Inf Regt Macomer Distributing Depot.	Satisfactory except mess hall floor dirty and not all latrines were flushed after use. Unit not receiving nuts or wine from Distributing Depot. ST/S showed drawing rations for 16 men, 20 Aug - 5 Sept period for Detachment 14th Repair Unit there on wood detail. Upon checking with 14th Repair Unit they claim to have no men attached there.
<u>c</u> 24 Aug	Macomer D.D.	Satisfactory except issue room floor dirty, ground in front dirty. Not all stock records up-to-date (Stack Cards) - claim to have issued that morning. A small amount of German stew remaining, instructed him to issue next without fail. Received wine on 23rd - Lt Mura stated delayed in getting from R.R. station and advised by Commissary Section not to issue for 21 Aug - 5 Sept period. Same should have been issued this period. No Motor Transportation - transportation should be made available in order to expedite movement of incoming stock from R.R. station. No nuts - this is an Italian item that should be provided.

- d 25 Aug Sassari D.D.
& Forage D. Very Satisfactory. I wish to commend Lt. Scopellitti and his assistants upon the excellent condition I found his depots, records and administration. No rations being issued. 674 kgs Italian biscuits were condemned and to be used for animal food. There was a small amount of Italian canned meat and soup that part is spoiled, but cannot be determined until opened. Instructed Lt. Scopellitti to issue same and replace to units all they claimed spoiled after being opened.
- e 25 Aug 22nd Camp
Reception Hosp
Sassari Bed side stands and floors of some wards not clean, many flies. I suggested that screens be provided for windows and doors in June when I inspected the Hospital. To date same had not complied with but told it was in process. That was 2 months ago, soon the fly season will be over. The Hospital Staff and Patients on civilian rations by order from Ministry of War - not satisfactory. I had previously taken that matter up with MHA Rome. Fifty of the 129 patients are Malaria cases - too high a percentage. No tests are being made to determine if men are taking meperine, Commanding Officer believes some units are not taking same. This is a matter that should be immediately investigated.
- f 25 Aug Hqs 5th Brigade
& 46th Inf Regt
Sassari Satisfactory. Unit need shoes. Instructed Commissary Section 28 Aug to send them 100 pair at once.
- g 25 Aug 31st M.T. Co.
Sassari Kitchen dirty and unsatisfactory, bits of food scattered around to draw flies. Latrines not flushed. Some engines dirty. 7 of 39 vehicles inefficient due to lack of spare parts. The 5 motor-cycles inefficient. Vehicles should be kept efficient.
- h 25 Aug 236th Inf Regt
Tempio Latrine not flushed. Mess tins being washed at cold water faucet, bits of food lying about to attract flies. Bits of food in front of mess hall. Evidence of men using walls near barracks for latrines - very unsatisfactory. Need shoes - instructed Commissary Section 28 Aug to ship them 100 pair at once. Suggest a motortricycle or light truck be assigned to unit for light hauling.

2. General. Most of the units I inspected lack sanitary facilities. Latrines are generally unsatisfactory. Flies are abundant and in many cases food is exposed to same. Bits of food lie about to attract flies. Men are not taking meperine and there are many cases of malaria. Hot water is not supplied for washing mess tins. Mess halls are not provided for men and in these permanent stations buildings are available for same. The results are that men eat in barracks, and around barracks throwing bits of food about to attract flies or food (especially bread) is kept in the barracks by the men which is very unsanitary.

Bread should only be issued for the amount consumed each meal. Italian items such as wine, nuts, etc., are not provided in quantities according to ration scale. These are just as necessary as Allied items. From all appearance the officers do not take sufficient interest in the welfare of their men or they would not permit these unsatisfactory conditions mentioned above.

LRA/sap

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

Copy to:
Commissary Section (Information Direct)

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Translation EF/roz 29 August 1945

CALABRIA DIVISION I.S. HEADQUARTERS
Service and Operation Section

N. 4654/L-3/Serv.

27 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : IMIA Liaison Office for Sardinia

Cagliari

Reference letter R/12 dated 19 August 1945.

1. I have noticed what you notified me with the referred letter.
2. I have given instructions to avoid the mentioned deficiencies.
3. I have taken disciplinary action against the responsible persons.

4. As far as the allotment of fuel is concerned in para. f. our Headquarters for the month of July and August has had 7050 litres of gasoline. 5200 litres have been issued to the units for their normal needs. The remaining 1850 litres have been kept by the Calabria I.S. Division for its own needs, with a reserve to meet the emergency cases that might arise in the units during the two months. During these days we have issued as in the past the reserve gasoline to the units and not issued and used in advance.

/s/ Umberto Marchesi
/t/ UMBERTO MARCHESI
Division Commander.

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA"

- Ufficio S.M. - Sec. Op. e Serv. -

N. 4654/L-3/Serv. di prot.

P.M. 75, li 27 Agosto 1945.-

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.-

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Ufficio Collegamento Sardegna

C A C L I A R I

Riferimento foglio 3/12 in data 19/8.-

1. - Ho preso atto di quanto comunicatomi con il foglio al quale mi riferisco.
2. - Ho dato ordine che le manchevolezze riscontrate siano eliminate al più presto.
3. - Ho preso provvedimenti disciplinari a carico dei responsabili.
4. - Per quanto riguarda l'assegnazione del carburante di cui al paragrafo f) questo Comando per il mese di Luglio e Agosto ha avuto assegnato litri 7050 di benzina: 5200 sono stati distribuiti ai reparti per le loro normali necessità, i rimanenti litri 1850 sono stati trattenuti dal Comando Divisione per le esigenze del Comando stesso, con una riserva per sopperire alle necessità di carattere straordinario che si sarebbero verificati nei reparti dipendenti, durante i due mesi.

In questi giorni, come già fatto in precedenza, si è proceduto a ripartire ai reparti dipendenti la benzina trattenuta, come scorta, e non consumata.

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ALLA M.M.I.A. - Ufficio Collegamento Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

Riferimento foglio 3/12 in data 12/8.-

1. - Ho preso atto di quanto comunicatomi con il foglio al quale mi riferisco.
2. - Ho dato ordine che le manchevolezze riscontrate siano eliminate al più presto.
3. - Ho preso provvedimenti disciplinari a carico dei responsabili.
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In questi giorni, come già fatto in precedenza, si è proceduto a ripartire ai reparti dipendenti la benzina trattenuta, come scorta, e non consumata.

IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA
COMANDANTE IBERINALE DELLA DIVISIONE
(Ubaldo Marchesi)

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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

R/12

19 August 45

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and necessary action to correct discrepancies in inspection of 58 Infantry Regiment 17 August accompanied by Colonel Carlini:

a. Mess.

(1) Men receive 1 litre of wine per week instead of $3\frac{1}{2}$ litres. The monetary allowance, 15 lire per day for other 5 days insufficient to buy amount authorized. They should have supplied $\frac{1}{2}$ litre per day every day.

(2) Bread for the day is not issued for eleven o'clock meal, not until afternoon. There is no excuse for this. As they are issued 2 small loaves per day, it should be given out at each meal then the men would not have to take it in their barracks where it is unsanitary and draws flies.

(3) Mess hall for NCO's but none for enlisted men. In a permanent set up like this there is no reason why a clean mess hall can not be provided where the men can eat and refrain from taking food in their quarters which is unsanitary and attracts flies.

(4) NCO's kitchen very dirty, bits of food lying about, therefore many flies.

(5) Enlisted mens kitchen in process of repair so I overlooked many unsatisfactory conditions.

(6) Hot water not provided for washing mess kits, although Colonel Carlini told me same was provided, but upon questioning several soldiers they knew nothing of it. Mess kits are washed at cold water faucets which gives off a sour food stench and attracts flies. Very unsatisfactory.

b. Barracks. Most were dirty, bits of food lying about to attract flies. See paragraph 1 a (5) above.

c. Hospital. Many malaria patients. Although advised by Medical Officer that one tablet of mepacrine is issued each day, in talking to soldiers, one said he had one tablet last month, others said they had none.

d. Latrines. Most unsatisfactory. Excreta not covered from flies. With typhoid as prevalent as it is in Cagliari and vicinity, such a condition should not be permitted to exist.

e. General Area. Poorly policed, food, tin cans and rubbish lying about. An odor of sour food mingled with the smell of the latrines permeates the air.

f. Vehicles. Very good condition. Was advised when I ask why wine was not obtained for the men that only 200 gallons of gas was allotted to them for July and August for 3 trucks and 4 motorcycles. More gas is allotted than that and steps should be taken to determine that each unit gets its allotted amount.

g. Food Store Room. Good Condition. They were over on dehydrated vegetables which I have given instructions to be returned to the Commissary by separate letter.

2. You will note from this report that as a whole conditions are very unsatisfactory. An of the opinion the officers do not take sufficient interest in the welfare of their men or they would not permit such unsanitary, unsatisfactory conditions.

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NESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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

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12 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Forwarded for your information and necessary action to correct discrepancies found in inspections.

2. Inspections.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
a. 26 July	Cagliari Bulk Depot	Satisfactory.
b. 26 July	Cagliari Forage Depot	Satisfactory.
c. 26 July	Cagliari P.O.B. Depot	Satisfactory.
d. 31 July	Cagliari Bulk Depot	Satisfactory.
e. 7 August	Cagliari Bulk Depot	Floor in depot dirty and untidy. Foodstuffs not stacked properly. Coffee and sugar stock cards not up to date.
f. 7 August	Cagliari Forage Depot	Satisfactory.
g. 10 August	1st Bn. 236 Infantry Regiment, Maddalena	The unit in best condition of any I have inspected in Sardinia. Containers for water to flush latrines should be provided. Approximately 55 men in civilian clothes, been over a month without uniforms. Immediate steps should be taken to correct this.

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LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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Translation EF/sap 4 September 45

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NAVY HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA AND OF THE
NAVAL BASE OF THE MADDALENA

No. 2801

31 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of Food Depot at Maddalena.

TO : Navy Headquarters Cagliari for MMIA

1. Answer to letter R/12 dated 11 August 1945.
2. The excess of humidity found in the bread is due especially to the fact that the Commissary Section has no yeast and must therefore bake the bread with some leaven saved from the day before. The bread is also humid because of the weather.
3. The breakdown of the bread is three loaves instead of one. It is made this way to allow a better drying. This would not occur in one loaf where the larger inner part would retain more water and the sailor does not like the inner part of the bread.
4. Cooking the bread longer would not solve the question of eliminating the humidity because it would be baked too much on the outside.
5. The best solution would be to use yeast in the cooking but this is not available on the market of Sardinia.

/s/ Amedeo Nomis di Pollone
/t/ AMEDEO NOMIS DI POLLONE
Commandante

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COMANDO MILITARE MARITTIMO AUT. IN SARDEGNA
E DELLA PIAZZA MILITARE "MARITTIMA"
DI LA MADDALENA

Ufficio Servizi - Seconda Sezione

Indirizzo telegrafico: MARI SARDEGNA

Prot. N. 28191 Allegati

La Maddalena, li 31 AGO. 1945 - 1945.

AI MARINA CAGLIARI per M.M.I.A.

ARGOMENTO: Ispezione al deposito viveri di La Maddalena

Risposta al foglio R.12 in data 11 agosto 1945.

- 1°)- L'eccesso di umidità riscontrata nel pane é dovuta principalmente al fatto che la dipendente Sezione di Commissariato non dispone di lievito di birra e deve quindi confezionare il pane con lievito di riporto, ed, anche, all'eccezionale tempo umido e sciroccoso.-
- 2°)- La pezzatura del pane in tre forme, invece che in una sola, é fatta principalmente allo scopo di permettere un maggior prosciugamento, cosa che non avverrebbe in una sola forma, dove la maggiore quantità di mollica tratterrebbe una notevole quantità di acqua e, secondariamente, perché il marinaio, non gradirebbe molta mollica.-
- 3°)- Il tentativo di prolungare la cottura per eliminare l'eccesso di umidità non potrebbe dare buoni risultati perché si andrebbe incontro all'altro inconveniente della eccessiva cottura esterna.-
- 4°)- La soluzione più conveniente sarebbe quella di adoperare nella panificazione lievito di birra, di cui, però, il commercio della Sardegna é sprovvisto.-

L'AMMIRAGLIO DI DIVISIONE
Comandante Militare Marittimo Autonomo
(Amedeo NOMIS di POLLONE)

As. Adm.

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

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11 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of Italian Food Depot at La Maddalena.

TO : Commander, Italian Navy in Sardinia.

1. Confirming verbal report on inspection of the Navy Food Depot and Bakery at Maddalena on 10 August 1945.

2. Food Depot, was clean, food well stacked and accounts in good order. A 10 day reserve is held instead of 15 days for approximately 2800, also by checking meat and flour sufficient is in regular stock to last until approximately 14 September for 2800 personnel. You will under draw for September to correct the above mentioned overstock. Request in future, that you will only draw food for anticipated personnel for the 60 days. When strength becomes less draw accordingly. As a whole was very pleased with everything.

3. Bakery. Was clean and well kept. Best bakery I have seen in Sardinia. Bread a little soggy. Since you are making small loaves, suggest they be made to give each man 450 grams daily without cutting.

4. Again thank you for your kind hospitality.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

LRA/roz

Copy to: Commander, Italian Navy in Cagliari (Info)

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Translation: EF/roz 7 August 45

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TERRITORIAL OFFICE FOR SARDINIA
Service Section

No. 4445/ANT

5 August 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : P.M.I.A.

Carliari

Reference letter R/12 dated 31 July 45 of your office.

As known it has been always taken care of by us to put into effect the best organization of vehicles repairing.

The 14th Repair Unit has always been inspected by me and I have made suggestions and given definite orders.

We have tried to do the most to increase the efficiency of technical organizations and to look for the best and proper personnel.

I have sent to the 14th Repair Shop Abbasanta and Carliari, all the proper and trusty men. So I have sent there the men of Capt. Varango, Lieut. Trucco (5th Efficient Vehicle Park) and men of the Calabria Division.

All this personnel has not done any valuable and efficient services because:

- of the men of Capt. Varango, there are no specialized personnel.
- of the 2 specialized men of the 5th Efficient Park only 2 remained who also have left the Island for various reasons.
- of the 3 men of the Calabria Division, no one has remained.

Concluding to the 14th Repair Unit after the departure of the 1st Mobile Park, I have been able to assign very few specialized personnel. I have made efforts to make efficient the workshops of Carliari because it does most of the repair work. As far as the workshop of Abbasanta is concerned, I have tried to increase the production. I will make an effort to send to Abbasanta, all the specialized personnel on the Island. For what you have rightly observed on the observation of the Commanding Officer of the Unit, I have substituted Capt. Soldati with Capt. Cusi, most efficient and competent in the work.

As far as the lack of maintenance of the vehicles and order of the premises used at garages, supply depots and billets for the men of the 14th Transportation Company, I have issued direct orders to the Headquarters of said Company to eliminate immediately the above discrepancies. On the latter I call to your attention that there is a lack of water on the Island and no automobile washing plant.

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1/1 G.L. Scialbrino
1/1 G.L. SCIALBRINO
Brigadier General

UFFICIO TERRITORIALE PER LA SARDEGNA
Sezione Servizi

N° 4445/AUT di prot. P.M.75/A, 5 Agosto 1945.-

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.-

ALLA M . M . I . A . = CAGLIARI =

Riferimento foglio R/12 del 31.7.1945 di codesta

M.M.I.A.-

Come noto a codesta M.M.I.A. è stata sempre cura di quest'ufficio cercare d'attuare la migliore organizzazione del servizio riparazioni automobilistiche.

Il 14° Reparto Riparazioni ha avuto, anche da parte mia, continue ispezioni, suggerimenti ed ordini tassativi.

Si è cercato di fare tutto il possibile per aumentare l'efficienza sia nell'attrezzatura tecnica che nella ricerca del personale più idoneo.

Ho fatto affluire al 14° Reparto Riparazioni (Officina di Cagliari ed Abbasanta) tutti quegli elementi che sembravano ispirassero fiducia e competenza.

Così si sono susseguiti nelle officine, gli uomini del Capitano Varengo, S.Tenente Trucco (5° P.V.E.), Divisione S.I."Calabria".

- Tutto questo personale non ha però dato alcun affidamento, tanto che :
- degli uomini del Capitano Varengo non v'è nessun elemento specializzato;
 - dei 9 uomini specializzati del 5° Parco Veicoli Efficacitati ne sono rimasti in un primo tempo solo 2, che successivamente hanno lasciato l'isola per motivi vari;
 - dei 5 uomini della Divisione "Calabria", per motivi analoghi, non è egualmente rimasto nessuno.

In definitiva al 14° Reparto Riparazioni, dopo la partenza del 1° Parco Mobile, non gli ho potuto dare che personale specializzato.

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Come noto a codesta M.M.I.A. è stata sempre curata di quest'ufficio cercare d'attuare la migliore organizzazione del servizio riparazioni automobilistiche.

Il 14° Reparto Riparazioni ha avuto, anche da parte mia, continue ispezioni, suggerimenti ed ordini tassativi.

Si è cercato di fare tutto il possibile per aumentare l'efficienza sia nell'attrezzatura tecnica che nella ricerca del personale più idoneo.

Ho fatto affluire al 14° Reparto Riparazioni (Officina di Cagliari ed Abbassanta) tutti quegli elementi che sembravano ispirassero fiducia e competenza.

Così si sono susseguiti nelle officine, gli uomini del Capitano Varenco, S.Tenente Trucco (5° P.V.E.), Divisione S.I. "Calabria".

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In definitiva al 14° Reparto Riparazioni, dopo la partenza del 1° Parco Mobile, non gli ho potuto dare che limitatissimo apporto di personale militare specializzato perchè non esistente nell'isola.

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Ho cercato di rendere più efficiente la Sezione dell'Officina del 14° Reparto Riparazioni di Cagliari perchè a questa si appoggiano per le riparazioni la maggior parte degli enti che hanno dotazione di macchine. Per la Sezione di Abbasanta ho cercato e sto cercando di aumentare la capacità produttiva.

Farò di tutto per assorbire nel 14° Reparto Riparazioni, per la Sezione di Abbasanta, tutto il personale militare specializzato che comunque si ricupererà nell'Isola.

Circa quanto giustamente notato per la passiva azione del Comandante il Reparto, ho ~~immediatamente~~ disposto la sostituzione del Capitano SOLDATI con il Capitano ORRU' Luigi: ottimo elemento, coscienzioso e buon conoscitore della materia.

Per quanto si riferisce alle manchevolezze riscontrate nella manutenzione degli automezzi e nella tenuta in ordine dei locali adibiti a rimessa, deposito viveri ed alloggio truppa della 14° Compagnia Trasporti Amministrativi, ho impartito precisi ordini al Comando di detta Compagnia, affinché sia immediatamente intrapresa un'azione atta ad eliminare gli inconvenienti sopradetti. In merito faccio presente che manca l'impianto per il lavaggio macchine e, come è noto, in tutta l'isola in questa stagione vi è forte deficienza di acqua. =

IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA
(G.M. Scalabrino)



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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

1/12

31 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. In order that your office may be aware of our findings at the various inspections, we will submit from time to time a report on same for your information and suggest you take action to correct all discrepancies.

2. Inspections:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
a 18 July	1st Inf. 40 Arty Regt. Imcoser	Satisfactory.
b 16 July	31st Autiori Co. Sanari	7 out of 36 vehicles inefficient. Process of repair slow.
c 17 July	Stable Det 5th Brig. Iglesias	Kitchen floor, walls, and store rooms very dirty. Food exposed to many flies. One room of quarters very dirty. Latrines excreta not flushed away, exposed to flies. Very unsatisfactory. The stables were clean.
d 17 July	14th Repair Shop Abbasanta	The repair work at Abbasanta is <u>very unsatisfactory</u> . This office advised you previously to send all available mechanics there from Verango's Det., 5th Efficient Veh- icle Park etc. Strongly suggest that Major Melosarri or some other qual- ified officer be placed in Command of the 14th Repair Unit at Abbasanta with sufficient qualified officers and enlisted men to make the unit efficient. Immediate action is nec- essary here or you will be without vehicles.

e 21 July 14th Ada Trans-
portation Co.
Cagliari 40 vehicles efficient and 49 vehicles
inefficient. Very unsatisfactory.
Vehicles dirty, not greased. Garage
area dirty. Store room of foodstuffs
very dirty. Dirt swept behind doors
etc. Quarters of men dirty and un-
sanitary.

f 23 July 60th I.S. Regt.
Iglesias Satisfactory.

3. The Commanding General EMIA is highly concerned regarding the maintenance of Italian vehicles. You will note above that there has been a great laxity. There is no excuse for a vehicle not being properly serviced. Suggest immediate action be taken to correct the above deficiencies.

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Copy to: Comsary Section.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Office

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Translation of/for 28 July 1945

CALAMITA DIVISION HEADQUARTERS
Service & Operation Section

28 July 1945

D. 3706/2-1-1/3erv.

SUBJECT: Inspector.

26 : M.M.I.A. Liaison Office

Inspection

Reference letter 2/12 dated 16 July of your office.

The issue of cotted sugar to the soldiers with civilian ration was due to the fact that the SE.F.P.A.I. did not have any sugar available for issue. The Commanding Officer of the Soldiers in the Transient Camp for the purpose of not leaving the soldiers without sugar requested and obtained from the Supply Office of the 50th U.S. Regiment, some sugar for three days promising to return it when the SE.F.P.A.I. would have made the regular issue.

This rebibution was regular.

The issue was approved by the Commanding Colonel of the 50th U.S. Regiment.

I have given instructions not to make in the future any such issues without the approval of our Headquarters which will request MIA authority.

/s/ Alexander Vaccario
/t/ ALEXANDER VACCARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE S. I. "CALABRIA,,

- Ufficio S.M. - Sez. Op. e Serv. -

N. 3776/M-1-1/Serv. prot.

P. M. 75, li 25 luglio 1945.

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Ufficio collegamento per la Sardegna

- C A G L I A R I -

Riferimento foglio R/12 in data 16 corrente di codesta M.M.I.A.

La distribuzione ai militari a razionamento civile dello zucchero salato è derivata dal fatto che la SE.PR.AL non aveva distribuito zucchero perchè sprovvistane. Il Comandante del Reparto militari in transito, per non lasciare i soldati senza tale genere tanto necessario, chiese ed ottenne la temporanea cessione dall'ufficiale ai viveri del 59° Rgt. s.i. delle razioni zucchero per tre giorni con riserva di restituzione non appena la SE.PR.AL ne avesse effettuato la distribuzione.

Restituzione che avvenne regolarmente.

La cessione venne a suo tempo approvata dal Colonnello Comandante del 59° Rgt. s.i.

Ho disposto perchè in avvenire nessuna cessione del genere avvenga senza preventiva autorizzazione di questo Comando che richiederà il benestare a codesta M.M.I.A.

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
(Alessandro Maccario)

Recd
26 July

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

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16 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Military Forces in Sardinia.

1. Reference paragraph 2 of your letter N. 3495/M-1/3/3erv. dated 15 July 1945 regarding issue of 4 grams sugar and 1 gram salt in lieu of 5 grams of sugar. We authorized the Commissary Section to issue 1 part "salted sugar" (until the 705 kgs of Italian "salted sugar" turned in by Italian Air Force was consumed) with 5 parts of sugar. Can not see how this would in any way apply to the civilian ration. They should not under any circumstances have any part of this 705 kgs of "salted sugar". At no time was any instructions given to issue pure salt in lieu of sugar. Request to be advised if any of this 705 kgs of "salted sugar" was turned to this unit. The salt I saw was pure salt.

2. Appreciate the interest you have taken in the sanitary conditions at this Transient unit. With practically all leave personnel shipped to the mainland, cannot see why there should be a large number at this camp in the future.

3. In paragraph 3 of my R/12 of 12 July, I did not recommend the baking of two small loaves of bread, due to extra labor involved. But I did and do strongly recommend that where men are being served at their units, that the loaves be cut in two and half served at each meal.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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Copy to: C.G. Territorial Office for Sardinia.

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Translation EF/roz 16 July 1945

CAIARRA I.S. DIVISION HDQS.
Operation and Service Sect/

N. 3455/2-1/3/serv.

15 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : M.M.L.A. Liaison Office

Cagliari

Reference letter dated 12 July 1945.

1. This morning I have inspected the barracks in the Poetto area and I have given instructions to better the latrines of the functional barracks "A" and "B".

2. As far as the civilian ration is concerned, although we have tried our best, we are not in condition to increase it. Anyway, I will try to better it from items of the War Garden. As far as sugar is concerned, I call to your attention that the 5 grams of the sugar ration is temporarily made up of 4 grams of sugar and one gram of sugar and salt (remaining stock of the Air Force, and that must be issued as per order from your office with letter 15/R/2 dated 20 June 1945 forwarded to the Territorial Office for Sardinia.

3. Instructions had been given to issue mess tins and spoons on 4 July with signal 3457/VE. The unit commander who should have withdrawn the items from Maccheru has been reprimanded for the little interest shown in the matter.

4. For the hot water to wash the mess tins, I have taken up the matter with the War Ministry to increase the allotment of wood for the meals because the present ration is not enough to cook the meals and wash the mess tins. Anyway instructions have been given to better the service.

5. I have immediately interested the Territorial Office to make two loaves of bread out of the bread ration. This had been tried before but not continued because the yield of the flour ration 624 grams was less than that obtained by making only one loaf.

6. I notify you that instructions have been given to white wash the premises located at the Distributing Depot.

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/s/ Alexander Maccheru
/s/ ALEXANDER MACCHERU
Division Commander

ss/  **COMANDO DIVISIONE SIC. INT. "CALABRIA"**
UFFICIO S. M. - SEZ. OPERAZ. e SERV.

N. 3495/M-1/3/serw. prot.

P. M. 75. li 13 Luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.-

ALLA M.M.I.A. - Ufficio Coll. per la Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

Riferimento foglio in data 12 corrente.

- 1°) - Stamane ho ispezionato le caserme della zona del Poetto ed ho dato disposizioni perché le condizioni delle latrine delle caserme funzionali "A" e "B" siano migliorate.
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In merito allo zucchero, faccio presente che i cinque grammi di razione sono temporaneamente costituiti da grammi quattro di zucchero e da un grammo di zucchero e sale (residuo del versamento della R. Aeronautica, che è necessario smaltire come ordinato da codesto Ufficio con foglio n. 18/R/9 in data 20/6/1945 diretto all'Ufficio Territoriale per la Sardegna).
- 3°) - Per la distribuzione delle gavette e dei cucchiari si era disposto fin dal giorno 4 corrente con fono n. 3437/V.E.- Il Comandante del Reparto, che doveva curare il ritiro degli oggetti da Macomer è stato richiamato per la poca sollecitudine dimostrata.

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- 4°) - Circa l'acqua calda per lavare le gavette ho interessato il Ministero della Guerra per ottenere un aumento nella assegnazione di legna per il rancio, in quanto la razione attuale non è sufficiente per confezionare il rancio e riscaldare l'acqua per la lavatura delle gavette. Comunque, è già stato disposto per l'attuazione del servizio il quale sarà ulteriormente migliorato.

Recd
14 July

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5°) - Ho immediatamente interessato l'Ufficio Territoriale per la confezione della razione pane in due pagnottelle.

Tale confezione, già tentata in altro periodo, era stata abbondante poiché il rendimento della razione farina (grammi 424) si era dimostrato inferiore rispetto a quello ottenuto con la confezione di una sola pagnottella.

6°) - Informo che ho dato disposizioni perché i locali della caserma " Cascino", destinati al magazzino viveri, siano imbiancati.

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE

- Alessandro Maccario -

LIAISON OFFICER
 LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.O. 594, U.S. Army

R/12

12 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspections.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Military Forces in Sardinia.

1. Reference our letter, subject as above, dated 2 July 1945. Inspected the same unit this date and found a great improvement in sanitary conditions with the exception of the open latrines. They are still unsatisfactory. Steps should be taken to have the excreta completely covered with dirt and lime or some similar disinfectant to be used to repel the flies.

a. As civilian rations are supplied, this office is only interested from a sanitary stand point. However, it was reported to me that the men are not satisfied with the amount of food they receive which is served in one meal per day. For your information the ration consists of the following in grams: 200 bread, 78 pasta, 300 vegetables, 5 sugar, 14 surrogato, 3 tomato paste, 5 olive oil, cheese according to price and 1/2 litre wine. The unit C.O. advised that 4 grams sugar and 1 gram salt is issued in place 5 grams sugar.

b. Reference our 1st Ind of 28 July, Territorial Office for Sardinia letter No. 6453/Serv of 27 June, we authorized the loan of mess kits and spoons. There was none in evidence today. Men were satisfactory arrangements in evidence for the men to wash the various mess kits (tin cans, etc.) in hot water that they were using.

2. Also again inspected the Cagliari Military Bakery and found a great improvement over our inspection 10 days ago.

3. Note that the units are issuing the full 550 grams of bread in one loaf for the first meal, making it necessary for the men to keep in their possession the part they desire for the second meal. As the men have no place to keep same it is very unsanitary from a food stand point and also will attract flies in their quarters. To make two small (275 grams each) loaves would entail double the amount of work at the bakery, but instead of issuing the full 550 gram loaf at one time cut the loaf in half and issue 1/2 loaf for each meal. Strongly recommend this to be done.

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Copy to: C.C. Territorial Office for Sardinia,
for information.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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Translation WF/roz 9 July 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
CALABRIA I.S. DIVISION
Serv. & Operation Section

N. 1585/S-S/Cp.

8 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : U.S.I.A. Liaison Officer

Capitani

I refer to your letter R/12 dated 3 July 1945:

1. I have given instructions to eliminate, at once, the inconveniences that you have found.

2. The straw for bedding has been changed. For the shortage of straw, we are obliged to give a reduced quantity in comparison to the normal ration and the changes can not be made very often.

/s/ Alexander Macario
/s/ ALEXANDER MACARIO
Division Commander

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COMANDO DIVISIONE SIC. INT. "CALABRIA"
UFFICIO S. M. - SEZ. OPERAZ. e SERV.

N. 1523/C-8/OP. di prot.

R. M. 75, li 3 luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezioni.

ALLA S.M.I.A. - UFF. Collegamento per la Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

- Si riferisco al foglio n. 11 in data 2 c.m. -
1. - Ho dato, in posto, disposizioni perchè gli inconvenienti rilevati siano ovviati al più presto.
 2. - La pagella per giacitura è stata rinnovata. Data la nota deficienza di pagelle si è costretti - purtroppo - a darne in quantità ridotta rispetto alla normale esigenza ed a cambiare in stretti limiti i cambi periodici.

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
(Alessandro Mancuso)

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ALLA S.P.I.A. - Uff. Collegamento per la Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

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spessi limiti i cambi periodici.

IL VICELENALE DI DIVISIONE COORDINATA
(Alessandro Accursio)

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CALABRIA I.S. DIVISION HQS.
Operation and Service Section

N. 1531/c-8

1 July 1945

SUBJECT: Hygiene and Cleanliness of the Kitchens.

TO : Headquarters 5th I.S. Brigade
 Headquarters 6th I.S. Brigade
 Headquarters 31st Engineer Battalion
 Hqs. Company Calabria Division.
 Headquarters 31st Driver Company
 Headquarters 50th Sanitary Section
 Headquarters 31st Subsistence Section.
 Headquarters 91st CG. BN Unit

INFO : Territorial Office for Sardinia

In spite of the orders which I have often repeated (see letters 2063 dated 15 November 1944 and 4/1036 dated 27 March 1945) and the remarks which I have made to some Commanding Officers the order, the hygiene and the cleanliness of the kitchens by far are not exactly what they should be. Recently an officer of the IMIA inspected a unit and made very unfavorable observations. It is generally noted:

- unused utensils lying around and not in their proper place,
- floors and walls are dirty, refuse in the corners or near food-stuffs, kitchen utensils dirty, cooks are not properly dressed or with dirty clothes, abundance of flies, no food store room or foodstuffs are not conserved properly.

It is my intention that these deficiencies be eliminated as soon as possible. You are ordered to:

- whitewash the walls and keep the floors clean.
- use large cans with lids for the refuse.
- have the cooks wash and keep clean their clothing.
- take necessary measures against flies, using fly screens and flit.

All officers should keep their constant attention on this because it is very important matter especially in this season. The medical officers should also cooperate on this. The Commanding Officers of each unit are personally responsible to me for the order and cleanliness of kitchens.

Acknowledge.

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 /s/ A. Vaccaric
 /t/ A. VACCARIC
 Commanding General

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OGGETTO: L'elenco a pag. 1 della cucina.

- AL COMANDO DELLA 1^a DIVISIONE S.I.
- AL COMANDO DELLA 1^a DIVISIONE S.I.
- AL COMANDO DEL VI^o DIST. S.I.
- AL COMANDO QUARTIERE GENERALE Div. Nzo. Coy.
- AL COMANDO 3^a COMPAGNIA MONTAGNA
- AL COMANDO 50^a COMPAGNIA MONTAGNA
- AL COMANDO 3^a COMPAGNIA MONTAGNA
- AL COMANDO 9^o DIST. S.I.

3, per conoscenza

AL MAREMMA ITALIANO PER LA SIRENA

Nonostante la dimostrazione più volte impartita in sede
 locale (vedi foglio n. 2003 in data 14 novembre, 20^a 14
 Com. e 4/1036 del M.C. data 27/3 C.C.) ed i rilievi
 fatti a variate Commissioni di reparto, l'elenco della
 cucina della cucina lasciano alcuni elementi
 che sono un po' di più della I.I., in occasione di una
 visita di un reparto, in fatto della osservazione non
 del favorevole.

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In senso di nota:

- Elenco anelli accoppiati alla minifusa - case forte posto -
 sporcizia sui tavolati e sulle pareti - rifiuti nella cucina
 di un bollitore anche vicino a pareti stimate - ecc. ecc. di
 cucina sporca e mal tenuti - rubinetti addormentati vari
 e non in funzione - qualche prefazione - mancanza di cibo
 sito argenteo vivente e variati nel congegno.
- Invece che tutti i relitti sono eliminate al più presto.
- Per questo tutto il possibile per:
- Invece che le pareti e l'elenco rubinetti e prefazioni;
- Invece che per lavandini, con relativo saponificatore, per i rubinetti;
- Per lavare a mantenere puliti gli apparecchi del cucina e;
- Provvedere con osservazioni fatte di circostanza certo la cucina

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Precedente le disposizioni più volte invyite in loco
posto (vedi foglio n. 200) in data 14 novembre 1944 questo
Com. a 1/2136 del D.C. (n. 27/3 s.p.) ed i risultati di
morte a morte Com. n. 11/1000, 1/1000 e 1/1000
valenti della cucina facciano alquanto a parte
le anche un ufficio della M.M.A., in occasione di una sua
visita di un viaggio, ha fatto il suo esperimento per usare
dei lavoratori.

non mi sono...

In senso di nota:

oggetti inerti accantonati alle minfusa - come nuovi posto -
dovrebbe sui lavoratori e sulle pareti - edifici negli lavori
ed ammobiliari anche vicino a gallerie alimentari - oggetti di
cucina sporchi e nei bagni - macchine in movimento, vestiti
e con in mano le spazzole - spazzole e spazzole - in mano di tipo
sito necessario vivere a vivere nei conservati.

Intende con una relazione siano elencate al più presto.

fare subito tutto il possibile per:

- individuare le pareti e pareti del 1° e 2° piano;
- procedure di pulizia, con relativo controllo, per 4 milioni
di;
- far avere e mantenere tutti gli alimenti del giorno;
- provvedere con ogni cura negli ed circostanti contro le mosche
(vedi appunto alle finestre - vale con liquido 1/1000
ecc.)

Inoltre, sarebbe opportuno di evitare, prevedere
che gli organi regionali 33 della di sopravvivenza, esplicito
regolamento le loro...

Ma ufficiali tutti corriere le loro istituzioni e questo

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LIAISON OFFICER
 LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
 ALLIED COMMISSION (M.F.I.A.)
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.F.O. 524, U.S. Army

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3 July 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Military Forces in Sardinia.

1. Inspected the mess of the so called "Transient Unit" under the supervision of the 50th Infantry Regiment, this date, and the sanitary conditions were most unsatisfactory.

a. Kitchen very dirty, bits of food lying about and many flies. Stagnant filthy water was in one of the unused fire beds. Tables where food is placed were dirty and showed lack of being thoroughly cleaned for some time.

b. Food Store Room likewise was very dirty, bread crumbs (of long standing accumulation) and mouldy bread lay about. Tables and shelves where exposed food was placed were very dirty. Flies were abundant and no steps taken to cover food from them. A quantity of excess food was found which has been referred to in another letter this date.

c. Barracks were not clean, men sleep on dirty straw infested with lice and bed bugs.

d. Water Supply. Inadequate, only one outside siphon of cold water for cleaning of mess kits, and personal toilet. A container for left over food was placed near the water with no cover on it. A great amount of the food was exposed about an open drain, which is very un-sanitary. This drain should be covered and hot water should be provided to wash the mess kits, and the water therefrom drained away under ground.

e. Grounds were littered with tin cans and rubbish.

f. Latrines were open, exposed to flies. No steps had been taken to cover with dirt or lime. This is not only a health menace to the Military in the immediate vicinity but to the entire 52nd Regiment at Poggio and civilians as well.

2. Immediate steps must be taken to correct the above mentioned un-sanitary conditions. An inspection will be made soon of this same unit.

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3. For many reasons it is not desirable to mess any of the recovered Re-Cells and Recruits or Military on duty awaiting shipment to Mainland at this mess. And as explained to Col. De Giudici this date strongly recommend they be attached to the 52th Infantry Regiment for mess and quarters without delay. Commanding Officer, 59th Infantry Regiment states he can accommodate them. This number should be very few from now on and these recovered Re-Cells and Recruits should be assigned to units without delay.

LESTER R. ALBERT,
Lt. Colonel, Infantry,
Senior Liaison Officer.

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19 May 1945

Memo: To Lt. Col. Albert.

On Tuesday, 15 May, we inspected Sassari Distributing Depot. Capt. Caligaris is in charge.

We found that flour had been issued for 9 days and rations 6 days, during the past period. Capt. stated that he received instructions to do so. He was told right on the spot not to issue any flour until all rations were gone. He was also told that German and Italian foods should be issued before any similar Allied items.

German and Italian foodstuff were issued in lieu of Allied items (Ration Issue Notes were checked). The only German food remaining is Tomato Paste, some of which is bad. He was told to sort this and issue the rest immediately. No similar allied items were issued, except flour. *my understanding is that the rest of the flour was issued*

Stock Cards were found to be in disorder. Items like Ili Marmelade and American Marmelade did not have stock cards at all. 24 kgs of Ili soap was not shown on Stock cards or accounts in office.

About a pound of rice was found wrapped up in wax paper in depot. He claimed that it was swept up from the floor.

Tomato Paste, salmon and sugar were checked and found to be correct. Depots were fairly clean. Items of different weights were mixed up making it hard to check. He was told to correct this and all other discrepancies found.

In one of the depots we found a case of thread which he is issuing once a month to soldiers (8 meters to one soldier once a month). A copy of "Poglio D'Ordini" was shown us signed by Gen Maccario which gave him authority to do so. This has been going on for quite some time. *Check authority*

I suggest that the Distributing Depots at Sassari be consolidated into one big depot. Many difficulties arise when trying to check items.

S.D. Martin
S.D. MARTIN,
Major, GMP

*Requested with the following
R/30 dated 22 May.
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COMMISSARY SECTION

No. 1/3191/V

7 April 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of the Issuing Depot of Macomer.

TO : MMIA Cagliari

It is understood that recently one of your officers inspected the Depot of Macomer.

We would appreciate it if you would notify us the discrepancies found so that we could issue the necessary correcting instructions to the consignor.

MAJOR PALMA

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SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Ufficio Vettovagliamento

N° 1/ 3191 /V di prot.

P.M. 75-A

7 Aprile 1945

OGGETTO: Ispezione al magazzino distribuzione viveri Macomer.-

ALL'UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO M.M.I.A.

CAGLIARI

Risulta a questa Sezione che un Ufficiale di codesto Ufficio ha ispezionato, recentemente, il Magazzino in oggetto.

Si sarebbe grati per cortese notizia delle eventuali irregolarità riscontrate.

Ciò allo scopo di poter impartire le conseguenti istruzioni al consegnatario interessato.=



IL MAGGIORE COMMISSARIO CAPO SEZIONE INT.
(Gaetano Palma)

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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

28 February 1945

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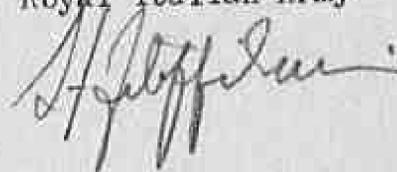
MEMORANDUM TO: Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. To-day I inspected the enlisted mens mess at the re-called Battalion Monserrato, located in the 16th Artillery Barracks. The strength of the Battalion is 882 men, commanded by Major Zoppi. The noon meal consisted of rice and vegetable soup. In the evening the soldiers were to receive Italian canned meat, cheese and fresh vegetables.

I questioned some soldiers and they told me that the meals were good but that the quantity was scarce. They all complained about the bread not being very well baked and made out of flour mixed with sand. In fact, I tested the bread and found it unbaked, black and with sand mixed in. I asked the supply officer Lieut. Leonetti and he told me that the bread was baked by a civilian bakery in Via Sassari. He did not know the name. The Lieut. stated that the baker had said he received a stock of decayed flour from the Commissary. Considering that this particular bakery bakes about 10,000 rations of bread per day and that the flour used, at least that day, was not American flour, I suggest an investigation be made. Major Fossett knows about this condition because a sample of bread was given to him.

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LT. ENRICO FILIPPI,
Royal Italian Army



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ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

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28 February 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Major George L. Fossett, C.B.

1. To-day I inspected the enlisted mens mess at the re-called Battalion Monserrato, located in the 18th Artillery Barracks. The strength of the Battalion is 882 men, commanded by Major Zoppi. The noon meal consisted of rice and vegetable soup. In the evening the soldiers were to receive Italian canned meat, cheese and fresh vegetables.

I questioned some soldiers and they told me that the meals were good but that the quantity was scarce. They all complained about the bread not being very well baked and made out of flour mixed with sand. In fact, I tested the bread and found it unbaked, black and with sand mixed in. I asked the supply officer Lieut. Leonetti and he told me that the bread was baked by a civilian bakery in Via Sassari. He did not know the name. The Lieut. stated that the baker had said he received a stock of decayed flour from the Commissary. Considering that this particular bakery bakes about 10,000 rations of bread per day and that the flour used, at least that day, was not American flour, I suggest an investigation be made. Major Fossett knows about this condition because a sample of bread was given to him.

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

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27 February 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: GEORGE L. FOSSETT, Major C.E.

To-day, I Lieut. Filippi of the Royal Italian Army, inspected the enlisted mens mess at the Commissary Detachment of San Bartolomeo at the 13th Special Depot. The feeding strength was 64 men. The kitchen was under the supervision of Sgt. Fulcinelli, who seemed to know his work very well. The noon meal consisted of abundant soup of pulses and pasta, Italian canned meat cooked with dehydrated potatoes and an orange. I sampled the meal and it was very tasty.

This unit was satisfied with the issue of cigarettes because they receive half cigarettes and half tobacco.

I questioned some soldiers and they told me that they were satisfied except that the bread was poorly baked and it would be better if they made two loafs instead of one. I looked over the kitchen and found it very clean. The detachment depot was also in good order.

LT. ENRICO FILIPPI
Royal Italian Army

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

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20 February 1945

MEMORANDUM: To GEORGE L. FOSSETT, Maj. C.B.

On 18 February 1945, I, Lt. Filippi (Italian Army) inspected the Italian soldiers mess of the Allied Commission, Service Platoon.

I visited this mess at noon when the soldiers were eating. They had a very good meal, consisting of macaroni, cheese, oranges and pastry.

The kitchen was clean and well equipped. The feeding strength of the unit is 46 men, commanded by Lt. Falter. The supply man stated that at present the operations of drawing the food were very satisfactory because he drew the supplies directly at the main supply depot, while before the supplies were drawn at the Regiment.

The men whom I questioned complained about the tobacco ration, which normally is low tobacco without any papers. They also stated that they were not getting any Allied mess but only Italian canned meat. The dehydrated vegetables, especially carrots and beets are not appreciated.

I then looked over the company food depot and found it very clean and in good order. The register and accounting of the food was satisfactory.

Enrico Filippi
LT. ENRICO FILIPPI

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NOTES ON TRIP AROUND THE ISLANDTuesday
9 January 1945ABBASANTA
Engineer Depot

1. German Bridge had already been shipped to Cagliari. (Saw part of this Bridge on way to Cagliari in railroad cars).
2. Plenty of material there ready to be shipped to Cagliari.

MONTI
Food Depot

1. All records in order.
2. 2nd Lt. there, sent by Col. Giuliani, preparing to close up this depot. Food will be sent to Cagliari, Macomer and Sassari.
3. Supply of German food there that is not shown on Model P.

Auto Park

1. This auto park is under the direction of Major Hall.
2. German trucks there are unserviceable.
3. 2 motorcycles there that could be repaired.
4. Few tires and rims that looked pretty good.

OLBIA

1. Railroad could be put together in about half a day.
2. Mobile Bridge is needed.
3. With this Mobile Bridge railroad cars could be put on ferry easily.
4. Depth at end of pier - 7 meters.

Wednesday
10 January 1945OSCHIRI
Stabilemento Recuperi

1. Capt. Marchesan is in charge.
2. Strength about 100 soldiers.
3. Salvaged shoes - 27 soldiers and 8 women make about 50 shoes per day.
4. This establishment is under direction of War Ministry.
5. Lack of leather and nails.
6. Some shoes sewed by machine and others by hand.
7. About 1,300 shoes are repaired monthly when material is available.
8. Shoes to be repaired, on hand, - 100,000.
9. Last supply of leather received a month ago.

BLANKETS

1. About 25,000 on hand that can be repaired.

CLOTHING

1. 500 quintals of clothing that cannot be used.
2. Order for sale of this clothing must come from War Ministry.
3. 80 women making about 50 jackets a day.
4. Old jackets, etc. that cannot be repaired are cut into small pieces so that they can be used. They match these pieces.
5. Jackets are turned inside out and made to look like new.

CLOTHING CONT'D

6. 20 women sorting old clothing. Cut buttons off, etc.
7. About 5,000 1st class jackets to be washed and 6,000 2nd class.

LAUNDRY

1. Not able to wash clothing because they have no soap.

MILITARY HOSPITAL

1. Preparing to ship all supplies to Cagliari.
2. 1 wagon and horse available for transportation of supplies to R.R. station.

FLOAGHEEngineer Depot

1. Material is being shipped to Cagliari as often as transportation is available.
2. Plenty of material ready for shipment. (Picks, shovels, wire, etc.).
3. Send more box cars!

SASSARIFood Depot

1. Improper use of Stack Cards.
2. German food not shown on Model P.

Casermaggio Store

1. 7,000 blankets in various state - half good.
2. Many sheets and mattresses covers could be made ready to move.

40th Artillery Regt.

1. On hand 8,000 rifles - about $\frac{1}{2}$ usable.

Thursday
11 January 1945

MACOMERFood Depot

1. No matches.
2. 9 kg of sugar not shown on records.
3. On hand, 11,600 kg of Iti pasta.
4. On hand, 14,000 kg of Pasta-Spaghetti.

CLOTHING DEPOT

1. Col. Lutz is keeping 7,000 trousers and 13,000 blouses for soldiers remaining in Sardinia. Claims he received orders from Col. Giuliani.
2. Plenty of clothing ready to be shipped to Cagliari.
3. Needs transportation from depot to R.R. station.
4. Could load 8 cars of clothing if cars were available.
5. 20,000 blankets - fuori uso!

CRISTANOFood Depot

1. Depot is in charge of Capt. Somma. Depot has strength to feed 1,000, this includes Carabinieri Stations, 1st Bat. 60th Inf, and 140 soldiers awaiting court martial. German food also on hand. Not shown on Model P.

Translation EF/sep 18 Jan. 45

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DIRECTOR OF COMMISSARY

No. 1/484

17 January 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of the Military Depot of Macomer.

TO : MMIA

Reference letter R/12 dated 12 January 1945.

Considering what is said in the above said letter we have given instructions for an inspection so to eliminate the inconvenience at the depot of Macomer and find a more fitted issuing depot at Sesseri.

Col. Giuliani

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DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO
MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Sezione PrimaN° 1/484 di prot. P.M. 75-A, 17 gennaio 45

Riferimento foglio R/12 data 15 corrente.

OGGETTO: Ispezione magazzino militare distribuzione
viveri Macomer.

AL DISTACCAMENTO M.M.I.A.

CAGLIARI

Preso atto di quanto segnalato col foglio sopra-
distinto questa Direzione ha disposto per un sopra-
luogo per eliminare gli inconvenienti riscontrati
presso il magazzino militare distribuzione viveri
di Macomer e per la ricerca di un locale più adatto
alla distribuzione dei viveri presso quello di Sas-
sari. =



IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE

(Pietro Giuliani)

Giuliani

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Translation EF/sap Jan. 45

DIRECTOR OF COMMISSARY

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No. 1/837/V

27 January 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of the Supply Depot at Macomer.

TO : MMIA

Reference letter R/12 dated 15 January 1945.

1. We have made an inspection at the Supply Depot in Macomer.
2. We have repeated the instructions already given to keep the Depot and Supplies in good condition.
3. We assure you that in the future the inconvenience notified us will not be repeated.

Col. Giuliani

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SP/en DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DEL COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA
Sezione Prima

N. 1/837/V. di prot. P.M. 75-A, 9/ gennaio 45
Riferimento foglio R/12 in data 15 corrente.

AL DISTACAMENTO M.M.I.A. CAGLIARI

OGGETTO: Rilievi Magazzino M.re Viveri Macomer.

1°)- E' stato effettuato un sopralluogo a Macomer presso quel magazzino militare viveri.-

2°)- Sono state ribadite le disposizioni già impartite per la regolare tenuta delle derrate e dei locali.-

3°)- Si ritiene per l'avvenire non si debba ripetere il verificarsi degli inconvenienti ed irregolarità segnalate.=

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Pietro Giuliani)



Pietro Giuliani

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

R/12

15 January 1945

SUBJECT: Inspection of Depots.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.
 Attention: Director of Commissary.

1. On a recent trip around the Island to inspect depots of the Commissary, I noticed that as a general rule the depots were in fair condition. There is considerable room for improvement especially in regard to orderly stacking of cased goods and in the proper use of Stack Cards (MMA Para 67/4).

2. However, at the Masconer depot, the room which is used for the actual distribution of food to the various units, was in very bad condition. The floor was dirty, covered with filthy grain sacks, and in one corner there actually was a pile of animal excreta. The scales were dusty and had many crumbs of various commodities in the trays. Flour was spilled about the floor and the whole arrangement was very disorderly. This is the second time that I have inspected this depot and found this condition to exist.

3. At the Sasserri depot the small buildings which are being used for the actual distribution of food to the various units are over crowded. This over crowded condition presents a very untidy condition and it is suggested that additional warehouse space be secured if necessary.

4. Request that this office be kept informed of the remedial action that you take to correct the above mentioned deficiencies.

For The Senior Liaison Officer:

GEORGE L. FOSSETT,
 Major, C.E.

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Depot + Depot file

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

19 December 1944

MEMO: To Colonel F. L. Simons.

Summary of Visit to Norbs by Major George L. Fossett
16 - 18 December 44

1. Upon arriving at Headquarters Norbs, I reported to Colonel James, commanding officer Norbs, and stated my mission; to check on status of Italian portion of ration for Italian troops in Corsica. Colonel James turned me over to the Q.M. Norbs and also the S-4 of 2698 Technical Supervision Regiment.

2. I learned from the Q.M., Norbs that there was on hand enough supplies from Italian sources to last until 10 January 1945. The following items had been received directly from Naples on the S.S. Enea about 1 December:

249 barrels wine	@ 75 gal.
28 barrels olive oil	@ 400 lbs
35 bags walnuts	@ 120 lbs
393 cases prunes dried	@ 25 lbs
3 cases prunes dried	@ 40 lbs
6 cases prunes dried	@ 55 lbs

Prior to this time the situation with respect to Italian portion of the ration had been very bad. Some wine had arrived during the summer, and also some dried fruit pulp. The latter had proved to be very unsatisfactory and large stocks are still on hand, awaiting disposal. Salt was obtained by local purchase and charged to Italian government.

3. I then discussed with G-4 Norbs the matter of moving items of the Italian portion of the ration, which are now in Cagliari, to Corsica. The first item was possibility of ferrying across the Straits of Bonifacio. This was decided to be impracticable because:

- a. Ferry Service is too irregular.
- b. No rail service from Bonifacio to Bastia. 4756
- c. Distance in Corsica is too far to afford to send trucks.
- d. After 1 January, Norbs will no longer operate south of Bastia.

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It was then decided that a schooner, the "Vera Amiche", would be sent, at once, from Bastia to Cagliari to pick up items now in Cagliari.

4. It was then learned that a ship, the S.S. "City of Alessandria" had been set up to run a twice monthly shuttle trip from Naples to Bastia to Marseilles. Suggested that the Italian portion of the ration be shipped directly from Naples on it. Captain De Stefano is checking this with MMIA LO, Naples.

5. I then met Lieut Colonel Garhart who is S-4 of the attachment of 2698 Tech. Sup. Regt, which unit handles the Italian troops in Corsica for Morbs. This detachment, commanded by Lieut Col Britten, has 30 officers and 100 men who are responsible for the operation of the Italian troops. However, since the Italian units are entirely Slave and have no Italian officers and N.C.O.s, the detachment of 2698 Regt also handles the administrative and supply functions.

6. The 26 companies are organized and employed as follows:

- 2 Guard Companies
- 5 Port Companies
- 2 Eng. Sawmill Companies
- 1 Medical Company (Composite)
- 1 Q&S Salvage & Repair Company
- 1 Q&S Service Company
- 1 Sig. Construction Company
- 2 Ordnance (Ammo & Maint) Companies
- 1 P.O.L. Company
- 2 Eng. Labor Companies
- 1 Headquarters Service Company (Morbs)
- 7 Labor Companies (4 for Air Force)

Each company has an officer and several NCOs, temporarily appointed from their own personnel. There are also U.S. officers and NCOs assigned to these companies. A U.S. officer may have one or more companies. Units are housed in winterized pyramidal tents and also have temporary kitchens and mess halls. All men have improvised cots, and all tents have improvised stoves. Kitchen equipment and various tools are supplied from U.S. salvage stocks. Each company has two trucks for drawing rations and supplies. All the areas that I visited looked neat and well kept.

7. The men are clothed to scales as approved by Mtonsa in Circular 119 of 3 November. The outer clothing is not dyed Forest Green, because dye is not available and also on account of peculiar situation in Corsica, it was deemed advisable not to dye it. Clothing worn out or in need of repair is turned in to U.S. Q&S Salvage unit.

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8. I was particularly interested in the methods used in Cost Accounting. Rations are issued from U.S. Depots every ten days to units. A modified MMIA ST/S form is used, copy of which is attached.

Normally an Italian officer from the Italian Headquarters in Ajaccio is present and signs for the items. In small detachments, if an Italian officer is not present, a U.S. officer signs. A third copy of these forms is sent to MMIA Headquarters as soon as the depots make the issue. Clothing is issued to approved scale and shipping tickets covering the issue is signed by Italian officer. Items of equipment on a loan basis, such as tents, tools, and cooking utensils are put on a temporary shipping ticket as a memorandum receipt. This temporary shipping ticket is signed by an Italian officer and S-4 of 2695 T.S.R. Detachment.

9. I was informed by Lieut Col Brittan that these Italian troops were being paid on a civilian payroll by the Finance Officer, Morbs. The rates are approximately those for P.W. When I told Lieut Col Brittan that I believed this to be contrary to orders, he stated that this matter had already been called to the attention of Col Kerr. I did not have an opportunity to discuss this matter with the Finance Officer, Morbs.

10. At present, there is reported to be a strength of 4812 Italian soldiers in the organized Slav Companies. I was not able to ascertain the strength of the Italian Command in Ajaccio. As opposed to this QM, Morbs reports for the period 20 Nov - 5 Dec 44 an average daily ration issue to Italian Military of 4592. In addition to this, approximately 300 U.S. rations, type B are fed to Italian troops, daily, who are waiters, cooks, mess attendants, etc in U.S. units. Average daily hospital ration, for Italian troops in U.S. hospitals was 82. This all totals 4974, or an excess of 162, which I do not consider too bad.

11. One item which will need to be considered soon is disposition to be made of about 30 soldiers who are totally useless for work due to physical or mental deficiencies. It is suggested that they be returned to Italian Civilian Control.

12. As a recapitulation, it is very apparent that the Italian soldiers in Corsica, working for Morbs, are being very well cared for. Clothing, food, housing and medical care are adequate. Men are good workers. Present food supply status is good but arrangements must be completed to maintain the Italian portion of the ration by shipments from the mainland. Since no food can be bought locally in Corsica, it must be provided in kind.

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GEORGE I. FOSSETT
Major, C.E.

Voucher No. of Issuing
Unit Demanding
No di Seri dal Reparto
prelevante
Unit
Reparto
Ratione for consumption from
Razioni da consumarsi dal
Ration Strength
Forza da Vettovagliare
Total number Rations
Numero Totale Razioni
Depot
Magazzino

RATION ISSUE NOTE
BONO DI PRELEVAMENTO
MMIA Form ST/8

Voucher No. of Issuing
Depot
No di Serie del Magaz-
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al
Single Scale
Tipo Unico
Single Scale
Tipo Unico
No. days
No giorni
Travelling
da Viaggio
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Hospital
Ospedale

UNIT PER 100 QUANTITY - QUANTITATIVO

ITEMS FROM ALLIED SOURCES:

ITEM	UNIT	PER 100	QUANTITY - QUANTITATIVO
Flour	lb.	75	
Dried vegetables:	lb.	12.5	
Meat, earned OR Fish, preserved:	lb.	18.75	
Cheese	lb.	6.25	
Sugar	lb.	6.25	
Macaroni	lb.	18.75	
Rice	lb.	6.25	
Vegetables, dehydrated:	lb.	6.25	
Catsup or Tomato paste	lb.	3.125	
Coffee	lb.	3.125	
Pepper	lb.	.0312	
Matches, book, commercial type	each	23.6	
OR box, small	each	14.3	
ITEMS FROM ITALIAN SOURCES:			
Fruit, fresh OR	lb.	25	
Dried fruit Pulp	lb.	6.25	
Vegetables, fresh OR	lb.	50	
Dried Vegetables:	lb.	12.5	
Nuts	lb.	3.125	
Salt	lb.	3.125	
Wine	Litre	50	
Olive oil	lb.	6.25	

Meat, canned <u>OR</u> Fish, preserved:	18.75
lb.	
Cheese	6.25
Sugar	6.25
Macaroni	18.75
Rice	6.25
Vegetables, dehydrated:	6.25
lb.	
lb.	
lb.	
Catsup or Tomato paste	3.125
Coffee	3.125
Pepper	.0212
Matches, book, commercial type	28.6
each	
each	14.3
lb.	
lb.	25
lb.	6.25
lb.	50
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lb.	
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litre	50
lb.	6.25

ITEMS FROM ITALIAN SOURCES:

Fruit, fresh <u>OR</u>	
Dried Fruit Pulp	
Vegetables, fresh <u>OR</u>	
Dried Vegetables:	
lb.	
litre	
lb.	

Signature of Officer	_____	Firma di un Ufficiale
of Unit Demanding	_____	del Reparto Prelevante
Counter Signature of Officer	_____	Controfirma di un Ufficiale
of Unit Demanding	_____	del Reparto Prelevante
Signature of Officer	_____	Firma del Consegnatario
Commanding Issuing Depot	_____	del Magazzino cedente
Signature of Person taking	_____	Firma di chi preleva
Delivery of Rations	_____	le razioni
Date rations	_____	Data di prelevamento
drawn	_____	delle razioni

This form is to be completed in triplicate, distribution as follows:
 Original copy will be delivered to MIIA through CQM NCRBS; second copy will be retained by issuing depot; third copy will be retained by unit drawing rations.
 Uno copia sarà ritenuta dal magazzino cedente; uno copia sarà ritenuta dal reparto prelevante; uno copia sarà consegnata alla MIIA.

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Summary of Visit to Norbs.
by Major George L. Fassett 16-18 Dec.

1. Upon arriving at Adire Norbs, I reported to Col. James C.O. Norbs and stated my mission; to check on status of Italian portion of ration for Italian Troops in Corsica.

Col. James turned me over to the Q.M. Norbs and also the S-A of 2698 Technical Supervisor Regts

2. I learned from the Q.M. Norbs that there was on hand enough supplies from Italian sources to last until Jan 10, 1945. The following items had been received directly from Naples of ~~216~~ ⁴⁷⁵² S S Esney about 1 Dec.

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Prior to this time the situation with respect to Italian portion of the ration had been very bad. Some wine had ~~to~~ arrived during the summer and also some dried fruit pulp. The latter had proved to be very unsatisfactory and large stocks are still on hand, awaiting disposal. Salt was obtained by local purchase and charged to Italian government.

3. I then discussed the matter of moving items of the Italian portion of the ration, which are now in Cagliari, to Corsica (with G-4 Warbs). The first item was possibility of ferrying **DB** across the ⁴⁷⁵¹ straits of Bonifacio. This was decided to be impracticable because:

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- 1- Ferry Service is too irregular
- 2- No rail service from Bonifacio to ~~Corsica~~ Bastia,
- 3- Distance in Corsica is too far to afford to send trucks.
- 4- After Jan 1, Norks will no longer operate south of Bastia.

It was then decided that a Schooner, the "Vera Amiche", would be sent, at once, from Bastia to Cagliari to pick up items now in Cagliari.

4. It was then learned that a ship, the S.S. "City of Alessandria" had been set up to run a twice monthly shuttle trip from Naples to Bastia to Marseille. ⁴⁷⁵⁰ Suggested that the Italian portion of the ration be shipped directly from Naples on it. Capt DeStefano is checking this with MMIALO, Naples,

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5- I then met Lt Col Gerhart who is S-4 of the detachment of 2698 Tech. Sup. Regt, which unit handles the Italian Troops in Corsica for Narbs. This detachment, commanded by Lt. Col. Britten, has 30 officers and 100 men who are responsible for the operation of the Italian Troops. However, since the Italian units are entirely Slavs and have no Italian officers and N.C.O.s, the ^{detachment of} 2698 Regt. also handles the administrative and supply functions.

6. The 36 companies are organized and employed as follows:

- 2 ~~Infantry~~ Co's 4719
- 2 ~~Infantry~~ Co's
- 2 Eng. Sawmill Co's
- 1 Medical Co (Composite)

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- 1 QM Salvage & Repair Co
- 1 QM Service Co.
- 1 Sig. Const Co.
- 2 Ord (Ammo & Maint) Co's
- 1 P.O.L. Co.
- 2 Eng Labor Co's
- 1 Hdqrs Serv. Co (Nerbs)
- 7 Labor Co's (4 for Air Force)

Each company has an Officer and several NCOs, temporarily appointed from their own personnel. There are also U.S. officers and N.C.O.s assigned to these companies. A U.S. officer may have one or more companies. Units are housed in winterized pyramidal tents and also have temporary kitchens and mess halls. All ~~units~~ ⁴⁷¹⁹ have improvised cots, and all tents have improvised stoves. Kitchen equipment and various tools are

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supplied from U.S. salvage stocks. Each company has two trucks for drawing rations and supplies. All the areas that I visited looked neat and well kept.

7- The men are clothed to scales as approved by M. Tausa in Circular 119 of 3 Nov. The outer clothing is not dyed Forest Green, because dye is not available and also on account of peculiar situation in Corsica, it was deemed advisable not to dye it. Clothing worn out or in need of repair is turned in to U.S. QM Salvage unit.

8- I was particularly interested in the methods used ~~to~~ in Cost from U.S. Accounting. ~~26~~ Plans are ~~47~~ issued Depots every ten ~~to~~ units. A modified MMIA ST/8 form is used, copy of which is attached.

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Normally an Italian officer from the Italian Hdqtrs in Ajaccio is present and signs for the items. In small detachments, if an Italian officer is not present, a U.S. officer signs. ~~These~~ A third copy of these forms is sent to MNTA Hdqtrs as soon as the depots make the issue. Clothing is issued to approved scale and shipping tickets covering the issue is signed by Italian officer. Items of equipment on a loan basis, such as tents, tools, and cooking utensils are put on a temporary shipping ticket as a memorandum receipt. T 4798 temporary shipping ticket is signed by an Italian Officer and S-4 of 2698 T.S.R. Detachment.

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⑨ - I was informed by Lt. Col. Britten that these Italian Troops in Corsica were being paid on a civilian payroll by the Finance Officer, Norbs. The rates are approximately those for P.W. When I told Lt. Col. Britten that I believed this to be contrary to orders, he stated that this matter had already been called to the attention of Col. Kerr. I did not have an opportunity to discuss this matter with the Finance Officer, Norbs.

⑩ - At present, there is reported to be a strength of 4812 Italian Soldiers in the organized Slav Companies. I was not ~~able~~ ^{able} to ascertain the strength of the Italian Command in Ajaccio. As opposed to this

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Q M, Norbs reports for the period 20 Nov - 5 Dec, 1944 an average daily ration issue to Italian Military of 4592. In addition to this, approximately 300 U.S. Rations, type B are fed to Italian troops, daily, who are waiters, cooks, mess attendants, etc in U.S. units. Average daily hospital ration for Italian troops in U.S. Hospitals was 82. This all totals 4974 or an excess of 162, which I do not consider ~~excessive~~ too bad.

⑩ One item which will need to be considered soon is disposition to be made of about 30 soldiers who are totally useless for work due to physical ^{47%} mental deficiencies. It is suggested that they be returned to Italian Civilian Control.

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(12) As a recapitulation, it is very apparent that the Italian soldiers in Corsica, working for Norbs, are being very well cared for. Clothing, food ~~and~~ ^{and medical care} housing is adequate. Men are good workers. Present ^{food} supply status is good but arrangements must be completed to maintain the Italian portion of the nation by shipments from the mainland. Since no ^{food} ~~thing~~ can be bought locally in Corsica, it must be provided in kind.

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Capt

Cogswell - G-4

R/9

Send Cigs by Air Freight
to QM Norbase, at once.

Wine during summer
Fruit Pulp unsatisfactory

Decl. S/S Esnex from Naples

- ↑ 240 Bbls Wine @ 75 gal
- 28 Bbl Olive Oil @ 400#
- 35 Bags Walnuts @ 120# bag
- 395 Cases Prunes Dried @ 25#
- 3 Cases " " @ 40#
- ↓ 6 Cases " " @ 55#

Should last until Jan 10.

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Transportation - Norbase

City of Alessandria
2 Shuttle trips / month
Naples - Bastia - Marseille

100 Pass. Ship

Ferry Service irreg
No rail service to Bastia
After Jan 1 No Norbs op
South of Bastia
Impossible to transport
after it gets to Corsica

Maj Bentley - Transportation

Will send schooner "VCA
Amiche" to pick up what
we now have in Portin
of iration. 26

4815 slavs

Lt Col Gerhart }
Lt. Col. Kiker } SA of 2698 Tech. Sup.

* U.S. Officers & NCO's

125 <
(125)
250

Nothing can be
bought in Corsica

Norbase is substituting an equivalent
amount of beans (from U.S. Stocks) ^{Not so,}
instead of 8oz fresh veg.

Need substitute for fresh ~~veg.~~
fruit.

Soap is needed.

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<u>12</u>	15	12 = 339 grams = 440 gr bd.
12	10	
4	<u>2</u>	
<u>3</u>		
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Italian Military Command is in Ajaccio.

Major Klein - (Miller 22 R3)
West Side Group Cndr.

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Send Travel Ration Scale
 Also Accounting Procedure.
 Copy of letter on Matches from
 Italian sources.

Questions - QM & SA-2698

1- Got Copy of Memo ST/S sub.

Find out when it is mailed.

★ As soon as received. ^{waiting for.} Ack. of Receipt.

Find out who signs for it ^{small detach.}

★ Normally an Iti Officer. U.S. off. signs

Check subst. of Allied ration for

Iti because of non availability

No Subs. being made

Check use of items on scale

Flour, sugar, macaroni, etc.

★★ Send 10 tons of Salt.

Total Rai.
 Brown

Ave Daily It Mil - 4592

4592

382

4974

4812

162

→ 20 Nov - 5 Dec - About 300 in U.S. Maw

→ About 82 in Hosp. Daily Average:

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26 Hospital Rations @ 1.10/day

B Rations @ .75/day on

Shipping Tickets (MTOUSG Circ.) ^{less than} 20.

Clear up Cir 119.

Questions

1- Clothing -

Scale of issue

* MMTA Scale - ^{MITOUSA} Cir 119 3 Nov.

Repairing & Salvage

Cost Accounting equipment

Issues of clothing, etc forwarded
on shipping ticket to MMTA.

Signature of Italian Officer.

Items of loan nature, (Tents,
~~etc~~ Tools, Cooking Utensils etc)

on Temp Shipping ticket as
Memo Receipt.

Sig of S-4 2698

Sig of Ital officer

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30 off
98 men

Lt. Col. Britton

Co. Detachment, 2698 Regt (I.S.)

30 off Asst

2 off Asst

82 men Asst

17 men Asst

99

2 Area Comdrs (East & West)

Questions

1- Organization of units

4812 Slavs

Strength

Type of Duties Guard, Post

Eng. Salv,

2- Arrangements for pay.

Being paid on Civilian Pay Roll.

Paid thru Finance Office, Norbs.

3- Medical attention

2 Slav First Aid Men per Co.

U.S. Disp & Hosp.

4- General Efficiency

Good workers

Approx 30 Cases of Total Disability

Want to return to Ithi Civil Control

Slavs want to be considered
seperate. Only Slav Off (Tem 4738) &
NCO's (Jano)

Working on Mod. Morning Report,
Work report.

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26 Six Units

- 2 Guard Co's
- 5 Port Co's
- 2 Eng Sawmill Co's
- 1 Medical Co (Composite) Assist U.S.
- 1 QM Salvage & Repair
- 1 QM Service Co.
- 1 Six Const Co.
- 2 Ord (Ammo & Maint)
- 1 POL Co
- 2 Eng Labor Co.
- 1 Hdqtr. Serv. Co (Morbs)
- 7 Labor Co's 4 for A.F.

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2 Vehicles / Co.

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DIRECTION OF COMMISSARIATO OF THE MILITARY COMMAND OF SARDINIA
Organization of The Supply Service as of 1 NOV. 1944

R/12

DIVISIONAL DEPOTS	OFFICERS IN CHARGE	PERSONNEL IN DEPOTS		
		OFF	NCO	Enl Men
<u>CAGLIARI (food)</u>	Major Parone, Virgilio	3	4	33
Iglesias	Lt. Buono, Antonio	-	1	4
Villapor (temp)	Capt. Medesi, Cesare	-	-	25
<u>SASSARI (food)</u>	Lt. Gioma, Enzo	1	4	18
Tempio	Lt. Tafuri, Claudio	-	-	5
Alghero (temp)	Lt. Dettori, Loris	-	1	1
<u>MACOMER (feed & forage)</u>	Lt. Russo, Leonida	1	2	30
Nuoro	Lt. Pascari, Luigi	-	-	4
Cristano	Capt. Somas, Paolo	-	-	-
<u>MONTI (food & forage)</u>	Lt. Scappelliti, Antonio	3	5	50
<u>CZIBBI</u>				
<u>LANUSEI</u>				

ORGANIZATION OF OTHER SERVICES OF COMMISSARIATO AS OF 1 NOV. 1944

DIVISIONAL DEPOTS (Forage & Fuel)		OFF	NCO	Enl
<u>CAGLIARI</u>	Lt. Col. Mori, Oreste	1	1	33
<u>SASSARI</u>	Capt. Plateo, Alfonso	1	2	10
<u>CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT</u>				
<u>MAIN DEPOTS</u>				
<u>MACOMER</u>	Lt. Col. Latsa, Antonio	5	5	60
<u>13TH CG DEPOT</u>	Lt. Col. Rugliu, Sebast	1	3	5
<u>SMALL CLOTHING DEPOTS</u>				
<u>SASSARI</u>				
<u>40th Art</u>				
<u>60th Inf</u>				
<u>TEMPIO</u>				
<u>59th Inf</u>				
<u>MACOMER</u>				
<u>13th Art</u>				
<u>CAGLIARI</u>				
<u>13th Motor Sect</u>				
<u>16th Art</u>				
<u>18th Engr Depot</u>				
<u>C.C.R.R.</u>				
<u>46th Inf</u>				
<u>IGLESIAS</u>				
<u>45th Inf</u>				
<u>SALVAGE AND LDY</u>				
<u>OSCHIRI</u>				
<u>TADUSCHI</u>				
<u>CAGLIARI</u>				

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Capt. Marchesan, Luigi 2 3 30
 Lt. DeGiovanni, Raff 1 1 25
 Capt. Del Curcio, Aldo 1 1 1

ORGANIZATION OF OTHER SERVICES OF COMMISSARIATO AS OF 1 NOV. 1944

DIVISIONAL DEPOTS (Storage & Fuel)					
CAGLIARI	Lt. Col. Iori, Greste	1	1	35	
SASSARI	Capt. Plateo, Alfonso	1	2	10	
<u>CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT</u>					
<u>MAIN DEPOTS</u>					
MACOMER	Lt. Col. Lutzu, Antonio	5	5	60	
18TH CG DEPOT	Lt. Col. Rucchiu, Sebast	1	3	5	
<u>SMALL CLOTHING DEPOTS</u>					
SASSARI					
40th Art					
60th Inf					
TEMPIO					
58th Inf					
MACOMER					
13th Art					
CAGLIARI					
13th Motor Sect					
16th Art					
18th Engr Depot					
C.C.R.R.					
48th Inf					
IGLESIAS					
45th Inf					
<u>SALVAGE AND LDRY</u>					
OSCHIRI	Capt. Marchesan, Luigi	2	3	90	
TADASUBI	Lt. Degiovanni, Raff	1	1	25	
CAGLIARI	Capt. Del Curto, Aldo	-	1	4	
<u>BARBACK SERVICE</u>					
SORGONO	Lt. Col. Favoni, Giuseppe	2	4	45	
SASSARI	Capt. Ravanello, Luigi	-	3	10	
IGLESIAS	Lt. Col. Fadda, Salvatore				
CRISTANO	Lt. Degiorgi, Bruno				
MACOMER	Capt. Landi, Franco				
RUGRO	Capt. Margeroli, Giammet				
TEMPIO	Lt. Lafana, Giuseppe				

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LIASON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.F.C. 397, U.S. Army

R/12

22 November 1944

SUBJECT: Report on inspection of Reparto Servizi A.C. Mess.

TO : Major Fossett.

The undersigned and Captain DeStefano, U.S. Army, inspected on 21 November the Mess of the Italian unit, Reparto Servizi A.C. The kitchen was pretty clean and in order. The food was intergrated by local gifts of the American EM mess, so the ration was abundant. The company warehouse was also in order. The Company Commander, Lt. Felter, showed the bookkeeping and everything was excellently kept. He pointed out that he had some difficulties in purchasing local resources. In this unit Officers, NCO's and EM eat in the same kitchen. We checked the complaint of an EM who said that the food was not well cooked, but this situation should cease on 22 or 23 of November, with the arrival of an experienced cook, who has worked for a long time in American Messes.

Lt. Filippi

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A.P.O. 397, U.S. Army

R/12

21 November 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Inspection, 31st Telegraph and Radio Company.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. The undersigned accompanied by 2nd Lt. Filippi, Royal Italian Army, visited and inspected the 31st Telegraph and Radio Company under the command of Captain Scikuc. The kitchen was dirty because the outfit that left did not leave it clean. As soon as they find time, it will be cleaned. They said that they would do a good job. This Company is a new organization and has only been in Cagliari 2 days.
2. The storeroom was very neat, everything neatly packed. They have a soldier sleep there at night to guard the foodstuff.
3. Cooking utensils were found to be very clean.
4. The following menu was furnished me by the Commanding Officer:
DINNER: A very hot meal consisting of macaroni, vegetables soup. One orange to each soldier and bread. They have no wine but money is given in place of the wine. SUPPER: Cheese, salad and canned meat.
5. The feeding strength of this Mess is 102 men.
6. After saying goodbye and thanking them for their cooperation we departed for the office.

Philip J. Latona
PHILIP J. LATONA,
ASN 35320161

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HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA DISTRICT
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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1 November 1944

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SUBJECT: Report of inspection, 53rd Service Group, 205th Division,
Cagliari.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. The undersigned, visited and inspected the 53rd Service Group, 205th Division, under the command of 2nd Lt. Soiu, Giovanni. I looked through the books and found them to be in good order. Then the Lt. showed me around. We visited the storeroom and it was not in good condition. The place was not clean and the bread was lying all over the floor. I told him about it and he said that he would have it cleaned up and would stack the bread on a table. From there we went to the kitchen which was very dirty, resembling a junk yard. Everything was piled in the way and I told him I wanted that kitchen kept clean. He said that he's going to see that it's done and done right.

2. The feeding strength there is 500 men. For dinner they had the following: hominy soup, fruit and mandole. Some of the men told me that they would like to have some cigarette paper. Others mentioned that they haven't had wine in a long time. They claim that in place of wine they get fruit.

3. I made a suggestion about the flies but the Officer in charge said that they don't have insect spray. After that he showed me their living quarters which was very clean and everything neatly done.

4. After saying good bye and thanking him for his cooperation I departed for the office.

Latoma
Pvt Phillip LATOMA
ASN 35320161

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A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Inspection of 13th. Sanitary Company Mess at Cagliari.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. Accompanied by Lt. Filippi, I inspected 13th. Sanitary Company Mess, Cagliari. Lt. Duosi, Leoni, is in charge of this company and seems to be doing a good job in keeping everything in order. Feeding strength is about 340 men. Kitchen and utensils were clean and facilities good. Storeroom of foodstuff was clean and most of the items are kept in containers with lids. For dinner they were having, minestrone, (veg. and pasta mixed) and fruit. Tasted the minestrone and found it to be very good--it was well prepared. Soldiers there are satisfied with the food but claim that tobacco is not good and that they lack cigarette paper. They also haven't had wine or matches in quite some time. Fruit is purchased for the company with the money Lt. Duosi gets from the Director of Commissary. He seems to be having trouble purchasing the fruit here because of the high price but manages to do well outside of Cagliari.

Pugliese
Cpl Pugliese

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A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Inspection of the Distaccamento Coiulit, 28 Oct 1944.

TO : Major George L. Fossatt, C.E.

1. The undersigned accompanied by 2nd Lt Filippi, Royal Italian Army visited and inspected the Distaccamento Coiulit Unit. This mess is in charge of Sgt Anzolin. The kitchen was very clean and everything was in order. Cooking utensils were also found to be clean and facilities were good. The storeroom was clean and all foodstuff was properly stacked and in good containers.

2. Spoke to one of the soldiers, Sgt Beffini, and he said the meals were very satisfactory and that they were getting what they were entitled to receive. He mentioned that they did not have wine for quite some time.

3. The following menu was furnished me by Sgt Anzolin for the dinner meal:

Cheese	50 grams each
Beans	100 grams each
1/3 can of Italian Meat	each
Cooked Fruit	300 grams each
Buts and tobacco	

4. The feeding strength of this mess is 44 men.

Phillip J. Latona
PHILLIP J. LATONA
FVL ASF 35326161

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Good Work
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27 October 1944

SUBJECT: Inspection of Depots and Messes at Macomer and Sassari.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. On Wednesday I visited Bulk and Distributing Depots at Macomer. Lt Russo is in charge and seems to be doing a good job in keeping the place clean and records up to date. Checked, matches, dehy potatoes, sugar, flour and found all items to be correct-agreeing with Stack Cards. Also checked olive oil. They had 3,000 lbs in stock. While there rations were being issued to the Infirmary Temperone and the Carabinieri Group. Ration Issue Notes were turned in and properly filled. Accounting records were correct and up to date. All foodstuff was properly stacked and Depots were fairly clean. Lt Russo mentioned that he was issued all MIA Forms except the Stack Cards, ST/4. No wine or cigarette paper.

2. I then went to the Mess in charge of Lt. Russo. Kitchen was clean and everything was in order. This Mess feeds the 18 men that work in all three Food Depots. For dinner they had: Meat, Beans and Fruit.

3. Later I went to the Infirmary Temperone and inspected their Mess. This Mess is in charge of Capt Usel, Espisio. Their strength varies because of soldiers leaving and entering the Infirmary. On Wednesday their feeding strength was 47 RM and 2 Officers. This Mess was clean and foodstuff was well kept. Capt Usel stated that the dehy beets given them are not consumed because the patients are not able to stomach them. No wine or cigarette paper.

4. Next stop was the Main Clothing Depot in charge of Lt Col Lutzu. Depot was clean and all clothing was stacked properly with cards showing the amount of each article. In stock, he has, 200,000 pairs of shoe laces. He is keeping record of all clothing and equipment despatched to the 205th Division. On Monday he sent them some shoe leather and the day before insalinas.

5. I then looked into his Mess and found it to be in better condition than what it was last week. It was very clean and everything was in order. Storeroom of foodstuff was also clean and properly stacked. This Mess feeds about 80 men. Saw food given them for dinner and it was well prepared.

6. On Thursday I went to Sassari and inspected Food Depots and Messes.
7. Visited Food Depots and found everything to be in good order. Depots were clean and all items were properly stacked. Stock Cards were on each quantities of foods and on checking found that they were correct. They had 2,200 kgs of olive oil on hand. Checked all accounting records and found them to be correct and up to date. These depots, (3) have 16 men working there with Lt Gioma in charge. Lt Gioma mentioned that he is still short the Model "P" Form.
8. Later I visited Messes at the Military Hospital. Mess supervision is under Lt Vitale, Vitorio. These Messes were very clean. Cooking utensils and facilities were good. All foodstuff was in containers and covered well. Feeding strength varies. On Thursday it was 530 men. Checked their Ration Issue Notes and they were correct. Their food is cooked by Nuns. For dinner they had the following which was well prepared: Meat, Vegetable, Fruit and Coffee. This also differs because of different foods given patients. No wine or cigarette paper.
9. I then visited the Carabinieri Service Group Mess. This Mess feeds 140 soldiers. Lt Garau, Oltora, is in charge. This Mess was dirty and the soldiers cooking there were the same. Cooking utensils and facilities were terrible. They are trying to get new or better cooking utensils. Spoke to some of the men and they all are satisfied with the food they are eating. No wine or cigarette paper.
10. Next stop was the 55th Labor Group, 3rd Company Mess. Lt Jacullo, Giulio is in charge. Feeding strength is 180 men. This Mess is a temporary set up because they are expecting to leave for the 60th Infantry. Kitchen was clean and cooking utensils and facilities were good. Storeroom was clean and everything was well covered. For supper they had: Cabbage, Stew, Salad.
11. I then visited the 55th Labor Group, 4th Company Mess, in charge of Lt Piacenza, Aldo. Their feeding strength is 201 men. This Mess was clean and everything was in order. Cooking utensils and facilities were not good. Looked over their Ration Issue Notes and they were correct. This Mess is also a temporary one as they expect to leave for the 60th Infantry. No wine or cigarette paper.
12. I also went to the Military and Civilian Bakery. This place was clean. Flour is stacked properly with no danger of spoiling. They use 2 large ovens for baking which were in very good shape.

Dugher
Cpl PUGLIESE

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Good work
J. J. J.

26 October 1944

R/12

SUBJECT: Report of Inspections

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. Today, assisted by Lt. Filippi, I inspected the Depot Viveri - Via Quocammino, Cagliari and the Bakery Depot.
2. The clothing depot was shown to me by Lt. Colonel Ruggiu Sebastiano of the Italian Army. I looked over the books and found them to be in satisfactory order. I also noticed the depot was very clean, that the clothing was stored in its proper place and stock cards showing the correct amount were in order.
3. It seems to me that Lt. Colonel Sebastiano did not like the idea of me inspecting the depot. When I asked him questions, he took the attitude of not caring and replied to my questions with his face looking down at the floor and with his hands in his pockets. ★
4. The Bakery Depot was shown to me by Major Appo and told me that some of the flour was moldy. He wanted to know what could be done about the flour. The inspection of the depot was very clean and the Major had no complaints.
5. Accompanied by Lt. Filippi, I also visited and inspected the Crto di Queiro, Bn. Autonomo Complementi under the command of Captain Righetta, and found that the kitchen needed a little cleaning up. I asked him the reason why the kitchen wasn't kept clean. He replied that they did not have any water and that they get water only 4 hours a day.
6. Inquiring about the strength of the unit, I discovered there were 39 enlisted men and one Officer, making a grand total of 40 men to feed.
7. Sabbioni, Iurci a soldier of Bn Autonomo Complementi remarked that they get only one box of matches every 5 days. I told him he was lucky, that when I first came overseas I never did get any matches.

Philip J. Latona
PHILIP J. LATONA
Pvt. 35320161, AAA.

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 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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25 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report of Inspection of Depot Viveri, 25 October 1944

TO : Major Fossett, C.E.

1. Today, I Pvt Phillip J. Iatona, inspected the Depot Viveri, Via Buoncammino, Cagliari.
2. The Depot was shown to me by 2nd Lt. Aldo De Saldi, Italian Army. I looked over the books and found them to be in satisfactory order. I noticed that the depot was very clean and everything properly placed. Stock Cards showing the correct quantity were not displayed because they were not made up to date due to the work being done on Stock Movement Returns. Lt. De Saldi told me he would have them in their proper place by tomorrow. There is no danger of theft as there is a daily check made by the officers of the Depot.
3. The Lieutenant complained he was short of the following office forms:

Stock State Returns	ST/12
Stack Cards	ST/4
Commodity Accounts	ST/11

Phillip J. Iatona
 PHILLIP J. IATONA
 Pvt. ASN 35320161

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HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA DISTRICT
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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24 October 1944

SUBJECT: Inspection of 4th Company Unit Mess at Cagliari.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. The undersigned and Lt Filippi (ITI Army) visited 4th Company Unit Mess, Cagliari. The company is in charge of Lt Buonsignori, Giovanni. Cooking utensils and facilities did not exist. Lt Buonsignori has requested utensils from the Commissariato. Kitchen was clean. Storeroom was clean and all foodstuff was properly stacked. Rations are drawn from Main Food Depot every 15 days. Lt Buonsignori keeps a separate record of his own on all rations issued for the day to the soldiers. Looked over Ration Issue Notes and they were filled out properly. Bread is made well and enjoyed. Sometimes 100 grams of biscuits, per man is substituted for pasta and rice. Feeding strength is about 125, but varies because truck drivers come in and out from other units. Lt Buonsignori also mentioned that he knows that other units, not working nights, are issued cognac and amice, while his men who do work nights are not given either one. Same applies to rolled cigarettes, claiming that the tobacco given them is terrible and that cigarette paper is not given.

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 MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
 HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA DISTRICT
 Allied Garrison Sardinia
 A.P.O. 554, U.S. Army

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19 October 1944

SUBJECT: Inspection of Depots and Mess Halls at Macomer and Sassari.
 TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. Visited Bulk and Distributing Depots (3) at Macomer. Checked Sugar, Pasta, Matches, Coffee, Dehy Potatoes and found that they agreed with stock cards. Count is taken daily by Lt Russo, who is in charge of depots. While there found that flour was being despatched to Oristano. Proper entries were made and Despatch Notes were filled properly. All accounting records were up to date. They have a separate ledger of their own on which they can double check on all items in stock and despatched. Seems to be a very good idea on their part. All foodstuff was properly stacked with no danger of spoiling. Also found that cheese already cut was covered well from insects. Depots were clean and in a orderly condition. There are 16 Pvts, 3 NCO, and 2 Lts, which work in all depots. (incl forage & wood). Lt Russo mentioned that wine and cigarette paper has been lacking for a long time. He also stated that he was short the following MMIA Forms:

Ration Issue Notes	ST/8
Stock Cards	ST/4
Despatch Notes	ST/5
Commodity Acct	ST/11
Army Model "F"	

I then visited unit mess which feeds the soldiers working at the above depots, (19 men) Kitchen looked clean and everything was in order. Daily rations are kept well and in good containers. Kitchen utensils and facilities are plentiful. Talked to 3 of the soldiers and they all seemed to be satisfied with the food, except, of course, they miss their wine and lack paper for cigarette rolling. For dinner they had the following, which looked to be well prepared:

Veg Soup Meat Fruit

2. Later went to Main Clothing Depot. I was shown around by Lt Col Lutz and found everything in order. Place was clean and well guarded.

I then looked into their mess hall and was very disappointed. It was very dirty and things were thrown around so badly that when I asked to look at the bread they couldn't find it. Told him to have the place cleaned up and to keep it that way. He claimed that he was sick for 3 days thus causing the unsatisfied condition. Kitchen utensils were satisfactory. Men there also reminded me of wine and cigarette paper. This mess feeds 70 men. Fifty from the clothing depot and twenty from Service Groups (Dispensary & Switchboard Operators)

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I then visited 13th Art Regt. Col Rosomondo showed me 3 mess halls under his jurisdiction. The feeding strength, total of three messes, 800 men. However, most of the soldiers who are being fed there are preparing to leave for the continent this week. These messes are under the title of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Art Battery. They were all in fairly good shape and seemed to have a good system of operating. Cooking utensils and facilities weren't too good. Food already opened was locked in screened cases. Saw food given them and they all seemed to be getting what they were entitled to. Spoke to the men and they were satisfied with what they were getting. Again no wine or cigarette paper. For dinner they had the following:

Beans	Pasta	Soup
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After that I went to the Bakery. Both Civilian and Military are baked in the same place. Kitchen was clean. They use 2 large ovens which were in good shape. They use 30 quintals of flour in 24 hours. Total bread baked about 4,500 loaves.

Wednesday, I visited depots at Sassari. Checked Sugar, Coffee, etc. and found that they were correct. Stock cards were on each quantity of food and kept up to date. Food was stacked very well. Looked over ration issue notes and found them in order, also looked at the commodity accounts. All accounting records were up to date. Depots were clean. Lt Gioia also said that he was short the following forms:

Ration Issue Notes	ST/3
Stock Cards	ST/4
Despatch Notes	ST/5
Army Model "P"	

Went to 13th Co Inf Group mess and spoke to Lt DePaolis. Kitchen was not up to par--could have been cleaner. Kitchen facilities and utensils were not too good. This mess feeds 61 men. Soldiers were satisfied with what they were getting to eat----no wine, no cigarette paper. While there also looked into the forage warehouse.

Next stop was the 59th Inf (the largest in Sassari) mess. Met Col Matzo and was shown about by Lt Grignold. They have the best cooking facilities and utensils I have seen yet. Place was clean except for a little water that shouldn't have been there. The food I saw given the men at the noon meal seemed to be well cooked. They had the following for dinner:

Soup	Potatoes	Stew
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Their feeding strength is about 720 men. There I looked over ration issue notes and found them to be in order. Most of the men there are expected to leave very soon. No wine, no cigarette paper.

Next on the list was the 51st Serv Group Word messes. This is the second largest in feeding strength. (600 men) These mess rolls were in fairly good condition. Cooking utensils and facilities existed. Foodstuff was kept in a very clean store room. For supper they were going to have the following:

Meat	Cheese	Fruit
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Lt Col Peretti and Major Picinelli were very cooperative.

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Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

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10 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report of inspection, 53rd Service Group, 205th Division.

TO : Major George L. Fossett, C.E.

1. The undersigned accompanied by 2nd Lt Filippi, Royal Italian Army, visited and inspected the 53rd Service Group, 205th Division, under the command of Major Delitala Ennio and found that the storeroom needed a little cleaning, and the food should have been placed in its proper place. Here are a few items that should have been taken care of. First, the cheese was stacked on the floor, the top piece was cut with nothing to cover it up. I suggested to make a screen box. The officer in charge said that he did not have the screening material to comply with my suggestion. Second, I made another suggestion about the flies but the officer in charge again said that he did not have the insect spray. Third, I looked through the books and forms and found them very satisfactory. The mess hall did not have enough chairs or benches.

2. I found out how many men they had to feed. There were 26 officers, 26 NCO's and the rest were privates. Altogether there were 527 men to feed. They were fed in the following order: Hq., 1st Company, 2nd Company, 3rd Company and 6th Company. I interviewed a few enlisted men and found they were satisfied with the food situation. Some told me it has been a long time since they had wine for dinner or supper.

3. They did not have soap in the water thus making it very difficult to wash their mess gear.

4. The following menu was furnished me by the Commanding Officer for the dinner meal:

Bowl of vegetable soup

Beans

Grapes

For supper they were going to have:

Fish

Cheese

Vegetables

5. After saying goodbye and thanking them for their cooperation we departed for the office.

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10 October 1944

SUBJECT: Report of inspection, 10 October 1944.

TO : Major Fossett

1. Today assisted by Lt Filippi I inspected the Depot Viveri-via
 Euonicammino, Cagliari.

2. The depot was shown to me by the Commanding Officer, Major Parone,
 Italian Army. I looked over the books and found them to be in satisfactory
 order. I noticed that the depot was in fairly good condition. The
 commodities were properly stacked with stack cards showing the correct
 quantity. A check was made on coffee and flour with the result that no
 surpluses or deficiencies were found. The depot was clean and the old
 foodstuff was properly stacked in front to be issued first. All items in
 the depot are checked daily by the officers of the depot. There is no
 danger of theft as the depot is surrounded by high walls. The entrance is
 also guarded.

3. The Major complained that he was short of the following office
 forms:

Ration Issue Notes	ST/8
Stack Cards	ST/4
Commodity Accounts	ST/11
Stock Movement Ret	ST/12

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

17 July 1944

SUBJECT: Report for Week Ending 15 July 1944.

TO : Colonel F. L. Simons.

A: Inspections and Conferences.

9 July: (1) Inspected 13th Artillery Regimental Hq Mess at Iglesias. Colonel Rossonardo is Commanding Officer. Satisfactory.

(2) Inspected 205th Division Command Post Mess at Iglesias. Satisfactory.

10 July:

(1) Conference with Major Martollaci, Executive officer, 13th Auto Park, Abbasanta regarding number of Italian Army vehicles in Sardinia fit for minimum 5000 miles and ready for shipment to continent. No result.

(2) Inspected Service Office Officers' Mess, Italian Army Headquarters, Largo Carlo Felice, Cagliari. Satisfactory.

(3) Conference with Captain Marena, Italian Navy Liaison officer at U.S. Navy Headquarters, Cagliari, regarding disposition of damaged foodstuffs.

11 July:

(1) Conference with Major Ronca, Auto Director, Italian Army in Sardinia regarding requisitioning of Fiat Garage at 83 Viale Trieste, Cagliari, by the 310th Service Group. Conference at Elmas with Major Smith, Deputy Chief of Staff, Allied Garrison of Sardinia, Major Ronca and Mr. Pizzorno, civilian manager of Fiat Garage, regarding same subject. The request by 310th Service Group acknowledged.

(2) Inspected Staff Officers' Mess, Italian Army Headquarters at Via Bainsizza, Villa Lea, Cagliari. Mess officer Major Caddeo. Satisfactory.

12 July:

(1) Conference with Lieut Colonel Alecci, Commissariat Italian Army in Sardinia regarding distribution of rations.

(2) Conference with Major Parone, Commanding officer Primary Ration Dump, Cagliari. Inspected ration dump. Satisfactory.

(3) Inspected 69th Telegraph Company mess at Piazza D'Armi, Cagliari. Satisfactory.

13 July:

(1) Inspected mess at Primary Ration Dump, Cagliari. Major Pitzalis, mess officer. Satisfactory.
 (2) Inspected Italian Clothing Depot at 86 Via Liguria, Cagliari. Commanding officer, Capt Rossi, Satisfactory.

14 July:

(1) Inspected 526th Inf Regiment Headquarters mess at Quartu. Commanding Officer, Colonel Carta. Satisfactory.
 (2) Inspected 1st Battalion, 526th Infantry Regiment mess at 82 Viale Armando Dias, Cagliari. Commanding officer, Major Droghetti. Satisfactory.
 (3) Inspected Secondary Ration Dump at Quartu. Commanding officer, Lieut Rosaspino
 (4) Inspected Secondary Ration Dump at Miravere; Commanding officer, Lieut Sani. Satisfactory.
 (5) Inspected 3rd Battalion, 526th Infantry Regiment mess at Miravere; Commanding officer, Lieut Colonel Balfo. Satisfactory.

15 July:

(1) Board Meeting at Elmas with Lieut Colonel Clarke, Asst G-3 Allied Garrison of Sardinia, regarding organization of Italian units to be retained in Sardinia under Allied command. Board adjourned and proceedings presented to Colonel F. L. Simmons.
 (2) Inspected 416th Labor Regiment mess at Decimo. Commanding officer, Colonel Sansicombugi. Satisfactory.
 (3) Inspected 1020th Truck Company mess at Elmas. Commanding officer, Captain Secchi. Satisfactory.
 (4) Inspected civilian bakery at 227 Via San Avendrace, Cagliari which supplies bread to 38 Italian units in the Cagliari area. Bread poorly made.

B. Rations

(1) Depots:

The food stocks position for this sector is satisfactory. In all the depots inspected, the supplies were properly and neatly stacked. An adequate number of guards was on duty during periods inspected.

(2) Economy Within Units:

Rations are being used to the best advantage within the units. There is little left over from one meal to another but attempts are made to use all food that is left over.

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All the messes inspected were not as sanitary as they might be. This was brought to the attention of all mess officers concerned and will be closely checked.

Some units draw their bread from the Italian Subsistence; and others draw it from civilian bakeries. The bread issued by the Army is made better than that in civilian bakeries.

Specifically there is a wide spread dislike for the dehydrated carrots, because of the sweet taste. All messes have augmented the ration by purchasing fruits and vegetables on the local markets.

LOUIS A. GERUTTI
Captain, Cavalry

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.
Allied Garrison To Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

June 12, 1944.

SUBJECT: REPORT OF INSPECTION.

TO : Commanding Officer, Army Sub Commission, A.C.C. Allied
Garrison To Sardinia, APO 534, U.S. Army.

1. The following is a report of Italian units inspected during the period June 4, to June 11, 1944.

June 4 R. Batteria, C 385 of Comm. Decat, Cagliari. Commanded by
Capt. Santin. No comment.

June 5 526 Reg't Fanteria, Quartu St. Elena. Commanded by Maj.
Vescovi. No comment.

June 5 Farmacia Militare, Samassi. Commanded by Capt. Cossu. No
comment.

Stazione C.C. R.R. Serrenti. Commanded by Maresciallo
Aleandri. No comment.

2nd Bn. Carri L., 32 Reg't. Carristi, Sanluri. Commanded
by Ten. Col. Barberis. Bread very poor.

June 6 Fraz. 45 Squadra Panettieri F.W., Sanluri. Commanded by
S. Ten Ligas. This bakery appears very poorly operated. The
bread produced is the worst. No officer was present at the
time of inspection but there were a dozen chickens and ducks
running around the room where the bread was being mixed.

Magazzino Viveri, Oristano. Commanded by S. Ten Cuteri.
No comment.

June 7 Magazzino Viveri, Milasor commanded by S. Ten. Berti. No
comment.

Gruppo Squadron Cavalleggeri, Oristano. Commanded by S.
Ten Caddedu. No comment.

570 Reg't. Art. Distaccamento, San Sperate. Commanded by
Ten. Mazzia. No comment.

June 8 Btg. Condeganti, Oristano. Commanded by Maj. Mira. No
comment.

Quartier Generale, 203 Div., Commanded by Ten. Scaluggia.
No comment.

June 9 5th Company, 288 Reg't Fanteria, Div. Friuli. Commanded by
Capt. Palandri, Macomer. No comment.

Magazzino Principale Territoriale Viveri, Macomer. Commanded
by Ten. Russo. Depot supplies sub depots at Nuoro, Oristano
Paulillation and Bosa.

13th Co. 549 Reg't. Fant. Alghero. Commanded by S. Ten Cozzi

16th Co. " " " " " " S. Ten.

Dalla Libera. No Comment.

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- June 16 303 Gruppo, 412 Reg't. Art. Lav., Sassari. Commanded by Maj. Pagani. No comment.
Magazzino Principale Territoriale Viveri, Sassari. Commanded by Ten Alphonso. Depot supplies sub depots at Alghero, Porto Torre, Polan, Ozieri, Tempo and Castel Sardo.
99th Co. Telegrafisti, near Sassari. Commanded by Capt. Autina. No comment.
Distretto Militare Di Sassari. Commanded by Ten Col. Pacifico. No comment.
2nd Gruppo 40 Art. Sassari commanded by Maj. Giubbani. No comment.
- June 11 387 Reg't Fant., 1st Bn, Mores. Commanded by Maj. Manconi.
Magazzino Principale Territoriale Viveri, Monti. Commanded by Capt. Voltalina. This depot supplies sub depots at Obia and Bitti.
Panificio Careddu at Sassari. This is a civilian bakery and is under contract to bake the bread for units in Sassari. The bread was of very poor quality.
48 Squadra Panettieri F.W., Sassari. This is the military bakery in Sassari and the bread produced was of very excellent quality.

GENERAL COMMENTS.

There was a general shortage of cigarettes and the tobacco issued in lieu of cigarettes was of poor quality and with no cigarette paper.

There was a general shortage of wine, olive oil and soap but this is not due to a breakdown of the supply organization but rather to the fact it is scarce on the island.

Bakeries were generally not satisfactory and I recommend that they receive more supervision. Bread weighed was never more than 290 grams although the ration calls for 300 grams. I intend to investigate this matter further.

Had lunch at various officers messes and home while on this tour and although the food was supplemented I believe that this was done from personal funds.

I believe that the Italian supply system is making an effort to function efficiently.

James A. Gray
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Major, Infantry.

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.
A.F.O. 53h, U.S. Army.

30 June, 1944

MEMORANDUM: For Colonel Simmons

With Col Kessner I went to talk with Brig. Carr on June 25th about the question of the wine for the Italian armed forces.

We found the Brigadier very pleasant and he said that he had no interest in the wine on the island because it was not considered food. He suggested that we contact Italian authorities directly.

Contacted Capt. Corridani Luigi at the Ufficio Affair Civile of the Alto Commissariate Della Sardegna. Was told that on May 25th there were 31,686 quintals of wine on the island and this was prorated between the armed forces and the civilians according to strength. The Army, Navy, and Airforce were given a total of 4500 quintals which was a fair share. The wine at present in the wineries is part of the allotment for the civilian population.

From conversation with Lt. Col. Alecci of the Commissariate I learned that the War Ministry has arranged to ship 15,000 quintals from the mainland. This wine should be here within a week and will be sufficient for one month.

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

June 20, 1944

SUBJECT: Report
TO : COLONEL SIMMONS.

Spent several days investigating the spoiled food business. Will submit my report when the documents that I had the Combined Services Committee prepare are turned over to me by Cap't Sachs.

Conferred with Lt. Colonel Alecci and Major Ptzalis at the Direzione Commissariate. The War Ministry directs that 300 grams of bread be produced from 231 grams of flour. This is an output of 130%, and can only be achieved by undercooking or added water weight. Was told that a letter issued by the Comando Militare Sardegna provided for an output of 127%. Col Alecci recommends that the output for the best bread should be around 125% and cites as an example the bread baked for the civilian population under ACC control is 121% of flour weight. I recommend that closer supervision be given the bakeries because if there is any tendency toward diverting foodstuff for the Black Market it could most easily be done by withholding flour that should go into the bread. I believe that the Italian Commissariate should have an active inspection setup of its own to supervise the bread baking as it is impossible for me to do this except for an occasional spotcheck. I told the Commissariate of the poor bread at the Sahluri and they said they would correct this immediately.

Olive oil on hand for another thirty days.

Tobacco procurable on the island is of very poor quality and no cigarette paper is obtainable. There are no cigarettes for the army.

The supply of wine is very limited and instead of the $\frac{1}{2}$ litre per day the troops are being given $\frac{1}{3}$ litre per week. The Commissario Dello Sardegna (according to Col Alecci) says that there is no more wine but in my travels I have visited at least two wineries that have about one hundred thousand litres of good wine that they inform me is frozen by the Commissario.

This wine and cigarette situation is having a serious morale effect on the troops. When no wine is issued each man is given 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ L per day with which to purchase his wine but I question that this satisfies the majority of the soldiers. Col Alecci says that he knows of a wine merchant that provide his own ship to bring wine from Sicily but I do not believe that the Navy will permit him to do this. I talked with Lt. Marena about this and he didn't think the idea feasible.

Inspected two officers mess in Cagliari and found no indication that they were receiving more than the allotted rations.

James A. Gray
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Major, Infantry.

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ARMY SUB COMMISSION, A.C.C.

Allied Garrison To Sardegna
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army.

June 3, 1944

SUBJECT: Report Of Week Of May 28 to June 3, 1944

TO : Commanding Officer, A.S.C., Allied Garrison Sardinia,
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army.

1. The following is a report of my activities during the week of May 28, to June 3, 1944.

May 28 & 29th ; Spent this time with Cap't Sachs going over the operation of the committee and the history of ration set up here in Sardinia.

May 30; Was introduced to Col Borda and Ten Morena. Inspected the classification warehouse at San Bartholomeo and also the warehouse at Via Liguri which is used when the Main depot is full. Lunched with Col Borda. Inspected the unloading of the Harrison and the dispatch of the trucks to the main depot.

May 31; With Ten Morena visited the Navy depot. Met Cap't Tonella, Navy member of the committee, and Cap't Starace who commands the depot. Inspected the Air Corps depot commanded by Ten Mazzini. Inspected the Cagliari depot of the Army and met Major Parone, commander of the Commissariate, and Major Parone, his cousin, who commands the depot.

June 1; Talked further with Ten Morena about the distribution of the Navy's ration. Had him prepare a list of the units supplied with the strength and location so that I may later visit them. Visited the classification depot and went over the accounting methods with Col Borda. Contacted Cap't Sullivan of A.C.C. who wants to borrow some flour. This practice has worked both ways in the past and quite successfully. When either side was short an item it borrowed from the other until it's stocks came and could replace it.

From these contacts I have gathered a complete picture of the ration arrangements. The food is dispatched from the docks by American personnel. Three copies of the dispatch ticket are prepared and two accompany the truck which is guarded by Carabinieri. One copy is signed by the ITI's and returned to the docks. The other is retained by the Italians and it is from this that the receipts are prepared. From the Allied point of view this perfect because the ITI's are willing to accept the figures of our checkers. It would be impracticable to change this arrangement since it is now working so well.

The committee receives from the combined services the number of rations that each of the services is entitled to and dispatches from the classification depot this exact amount each ten days. The Army has depots in Cagliari, Sassari, Monti, and Macomer while the Air Corps and

Navy have their main depots only in Cagliari. The Navy has a sub depot in Maddalena, and the Army has numerous sub depots scattered about the island.

At present there is an average of thirty days rations at the classification depot. Each depot of the Navy and Air Corps and the four Army depots have at present a twenty day reserve. All the depots visited so far have been neat and orderly and presented a business like air. The buildings are in excellent shape and afford good protection against rain or the elements. There was no indication of pilferage or dishonesty.

June 2; Visited all depots in the town of Cagliari and collected from the officer commanding a list of the units being supplied, their location and strength.

James A. Gray
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Major, Infantry

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REPORT ON VISIT TO SARDINIA

9 - 13 April 1944

1. OBJECT

To investigate methods of handling, supervising, and accounting the issue of supplies to the Italian Armed Forces and to recommend any measures necessary to give better effect to the policy laid down in A.F.P.O. instructions of 9 January or subsequent instructions from A.A.I.

2. FORCES CONCERNED.

It is difficult to check the effective strength of the Italian garrison for supply purposes but, after allowing a reasonable margin for transients, absences and categories under consideration, it can be taken as:-

Army	180,000	(incl attached) spread throughout the island.
Navy	10,000	(3,500 based on CAGLIARI, and 6,500 at NARDALINA)
Air	10,000	at CAGLIARI and other airfields.
TOTAL	200,000	(decreasing by some 15,000 per month.)

3. MAIN FACTORS.

- The importance of rapid port clearance.
- The acceptance of supplies by the Italians at the earliest possible stage.
- The keeping of accurate and agreed records of quantities.
- Allied supervision of distribution and consumption.
- The prevention of misuse or dishonesty.
- The maintenance of efficiency in the Italian Forces.

4. PRESENT SYSTEM.

services An Italian Supplies Committee, with representatives of the three ~~services~~, under the chairmanship of Colonel BORDA is responsible for handling all supplies from the shipside, and is the agency through which A.G.S. deals.

Supplies arrive in mixed cargoes and those for the Italian Forces (marked I.T.I.) are identified at shipside and taken by Italians in Italian transport to the Committee's depot two miles away. An invoice giving the number of packages (but not necessarily contents) accompanies each load and is receipted by the Italians. Consignments are subsequently checked by the Committee at the depot and receipts given for quantities which actually arrive in the depot. The check is therefore entirely Italian and any discrepancies due to short loading, loss, damage or dishonesty ~~is~~ borne by the Allies.

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The subsequent warehousing, and distribution is good but here again there is no positive check on carelessness or dishonesty.

In effect therefore, though the Allies hand over the supplies to Italian care at the shipside, there is no record of the quantities until checked in by Italian representatives at the depot.

5. POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION. (See corresponding conclusion in para 6)

- a. There is no allied supervision of handling, counting, warehousing or subsequent distribution from the time supplies leave shipside.
- b. The need for speedy deck clearance makes accurate accounting impossible at shipside.
- c. The present basic ration is unsatisfactory because:-
 - i The locally procured elements are not in fact being provided regularly by the Italian supply organizations.
 - ii The 2 oz. of canned meat is nearly always stew or hash containing only about $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. of meat.
 - iii Tinned salmon is not appreciated.
 - iv The claims for the extra 2 oz. of meat for heavy labor are difficult to authenticate.
 - v Sea going naval personnel demand the combat scale not at present allowed.
- d. Local purchase of vegetables etc. involves dealing in black market and consequent losses in quantity where a money issue is made to units.
- e. A large number of military civilians are attached to the armed forces and claim rations because they are doing the same work.
- f. Clothing is now arriving, the demand for winter clothing is over and quantities of summer clothing are insufficient. There is an urgent need for boots, underclothes and cotton trousers.
- g. Clothes and boots for repair are available if repair arrangements could be made.
- h. Medical stores are rapidly diminishing and none have arrived from Allied sources. Malarial and V.D. stores are badly needed also reserve stocks of other medicines.
- i. Condemned supplies are only noted after distribution, the questions of replacement and accounting need consideration.

6. CONCLUSIONS. (See corresponding points in para 5).

- a. Allied Supervisory and Liaison Detachments (and their Italian counterparts) are urgently needed, and should be provided at ~~once~~ ^{once}.
- b. An acceptance point preferably inside the dock area should be established at once where supplies are counted and receipted. Up to this point they should be an Allied responsibility; after it an Italian one.
- c. One ration scale for all armed forces is essential and should be ~~outlined~~ ^{agreed.} (suggested scale at App. A.)

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- d. Local purchases should be assured by A.C.C. control of prices and if necessary transfer of commodities from areas of plenty. (Wine and oil from Italy.)
- e. Military civilians should NOT receive supplies but obtain their quota through civilian channels.
- f. Clothing issues should be decided by A.C.S. (if necessary as restricted by MIA) a definite policy issued.
- g. Repair facilities for boots and clothes should be established at once. Factories and labor are available if A.A.I. will supply materials and dyes (green and blue).
- h. Medical Supplies should be provided on demand from Italian Medical Depot at Taranto (through MIA). Immediate supplies of Atarline and V.D. drugs are essential.
- i. Unserviceable supplies should be compensated by a small percentage over issue. Major cases should be investigated and dealt with on merits.
- j. Costing should not be a local responsibility but should be done by A.C.C. Accountants.
- k. Manifests in advance and more careful marking and loading would do much to ease the docks situation and should be emphasized to A.F.H.C.

7. I am taking up verbally the details of above points, and some minor questions as well, with officers concerned.

W. P. ...

Colonel
Attached MIA

14 April 1944

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31 March 1944

Report of Inspection EM & Non Comm's Mess of the Ruolo Serviza, Caserme S. Benedetto - R.A. ~~Coplain~~ *Coghlan*.

Enlisted Mens' Mess:- No cause for complaint.

The ration as set up has been:

Salmon	100 grams
Meat	50 grams
Pulses	50 grams
Bread	300 grams
Pasta	80 grams
Sugar	15 grams
Coffee	4 grams

The normal ration is

Salmon	113.2 grams
Meat	56.6 grams
Pulses	56.6 grams

the reduction was made un-
iversally to compensate for repayment to the 310th S.G. The ration is at maximum effective 1 April. The ration is distributed as follows: Meat, canned 30 oz - 1 can per 17 men per day; Fish, canned 16 oz - 1 can per 5 men per day 1 can per 4 men per third day.

The mess officer is Sotto Tenente Finesche, Luciano. Copp Barzotti draws the ration at Caserme Trieste. He seems to know his business and knows to the gram what he is entitled to and what he gets for all 401 EM. The mess officer is just there. The chief cook, Panzeri, Genouse, had nothing to add. He was also very aware of the quantities involved. Meat & Vegetable Stew is the only meat they have drawn. Our shipments came in split on all meats (Hash & Stew) with 50% of each. Recommend that a suggestion be made to the C.I.A.F.S.B. to be passed on to all services that meat be issued pro rata as to type.

Non Comm's mess - Some past cause for complaint. All that has been stated above may be repeated here. I spoke to Sgt Lana, Enrico the mess Sgt. There is no mess officer. The first issues of meat ~~is~~ made to this mess were ~~issued~~ based on gross rather than net weight in can. The ration ran about 42 grams. This matter has been ~~adjusted~~ adjusted. There are 140 men in the mess.

was not well informed

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Jack's

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Returning to Italian Army.

~~SECRET~~

2 February 1944

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SCALE RATIONS FOR ITALIAN FORCES:

I went with Lt. MARIENA today to see warehouses. They are located at San Bartolemo Barracks at the East end of Cagliari. Two buildings are presently available.

Is this adequate space?

BUILDINGS: Brick construction, tight tile roofs, barred windows, electric lights, 2310 sq meters (25000 Sqft) of floor space each at ground level. The floors are cement. The area immediately in front of the buildings is paved and constitutes an apron about 50 yards in depth. *

SECURITY: The entire warehouse area will be segregated by barbed wire from the rest of the garrison area. A gate immediately in front of the buildings will be used solely for supplies shipped in by us. Guards will be placed on all sides of the buildings and about the apron area as well as at the gate. Steel doors are available for the buildings, are now being put in working order. A guard will be placed on each truck leaving the port. The guards will be constantly rotated among the truck drivers in the hope of avoiding collusion.

TRUCK ROUTES: Signs will be placed where necessary to act as guides for drivers unfamiliar with the location.

Alfred Tsptn

TRANSPORTATION: I've been informed that the 60 trucks to be made available to the committee are to be used only for transporting cargo from shipside. This raises the question of transportation from the Italian Depot to the Class I dump for the rations due the QM 310th.

REPAYMENTS: The committee fully realizes the necessity for repayment of rations advanced from our stocks as well as the necessity for giving the QM 310th a level equal in days to the intent of the shipment (30 days on the instance of the first shipment) for the personnel we are feeding.

RATIO AMONG SERVICES: A breakdown by services will be made after segregation and for delivery to the QM 310. The strengths upon which this ratio will be determined will be the actual strength of each service (Army, Navy, and A/C) less the number we are feeding of the respective services.

* *Steel, sliding overhead doors along the entire front of each bldg. One story only.*

Following we will make unneeded 10-day rations on Feb 10th from G.I. stocks, by what percent will this decrease Italian ration?

Jacks

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
AFO 534

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17/5
14 May 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Representative ACC/ASC.

1. An inspection made by a representative of this Section indicates that Officers and Enlisted Men of "Raggruppamento Granateiri" at Iglesias are consistently receiving less than 300 grams of bread per day. The same report indicates that for the 1st week of May only one book of matches ~~were~~ issued per man although matches were made available to Italian Army in sufficient quantity to distribute 2 books for that period. The rations are drawn from Magazzino Presidiario de Iglesias.

Recommend you call this matter to the attention of the proper Italian authorities for corrective action.

[Signature]
C.K. HARDING
Colonel, T.C.
G-4, Ass't C/S

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16 May
Transmitted to CMS
PSC

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[Signature]

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14 May 1944

Report on survey of distribution of ration.

8 May 1944 (190 Off - 1626 EM)

Raggruppamento Granateiri - Iglesias draws rations from Magazzino Presidiario di Iglesias.

Observations of discrepancies.

1. Gross weight of meat is given the cans are returned and on equal weight is given in meat or fish for the returned cans. This method creates confusion and the troops feel as if they are not getting the whole ration.

2. Only 1 book of matches was issued per man for the first week in May. Issue should have been 2 books - Sufficient quantities were distributed to Army, Navy and Air Corps.

3 The weight of bread is nearly always a little below standard of 300 grams.

Recommendations:

1. Method of distribution is internal function of Italian Army. (However I feel as if a suggestion may be made principally because of feeling among troops)

2. Should be looked into more fully.

3. A memo to Intendente is indicated

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Rapp ~~rappe~~ granatieri
Rapp rapporti

Inspection check list

Date 8 May

Name of unit - Rapp granatieri - Location - Iglesias -
 Strength - off 1000 1 off 190 E.M. 1626 - Comm. off
 - Lt Colonel Croisi Alfonso - Mess off - Ten Barni Ettore -
 Scale used for men - Bread 300 - 270 gr - Pasta - 90 gr -
 meat - 56 gr - fish - 115 - Vegetables - 56 gr - Sugar 14.175 -
 coffee gr 14.175 - pepper - 0.12 mather - 1 book on the 6th/5 -
 What variation is there in meat diet - The warehouse gives
 sometime meat hash, sometime meat stew, now also
 Vienna sausage without any sauce - The local purchase
 made? - yes. If so of what items, in what quantity
 from what source and how often
 - Fresh vegetables, wine -

From the farmers around every 2 days
 the rations drawn for the officers and the men of
 the same time? - yes - The officers getting the
 same rate of allied rations as the men - From the
 1st of May there is no difference - 470%

From where are rations drawn - magazzino presidario
 di Iglesias - What variations are there in the meat
 diet - one day potatoes, one day carrots -
 to whom are strength reports submitted for personal purposes?

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- To the Rapp. praprietari - Domus Novas - for rationing
- magazzino presidario - Iglesias -

Have all men be informed of rationing - yes - In general
do the men feel as if they are getting all the food they should
be getting under the rule - no - If not note instances
and reports. Get statement as to ration from 3 privates

Statements must be given privately - No one should
be present summarize your findings and recommendations
Note suggestions, comments, recommendations of unit
Note methods of preparing and distributing food to
individual men

- 1) The soldiers get one day meat and one day salmon. On the day they get meat they have two hot meals of pasta, dry and fresh vegetables, oil -
- 2) The salmon is given too often and the soldiers would appreciate very much a change at least in the quality of the fish.
- 3) There is some local trouble with the ovens because the soldiers say that they get very rarely the whole ration of 300 gr of bread it is always a little below.
- 4) Up to this time the soldiers have got only one book of matches on May the 6th.
- 5) Presently the warehouses give to the units the gross weight, after they pick up the cans and give the equal weight in fish or meat. This system creates confusion and the troops feel as they are not getting the whole ration.

TRANSLATION /GDFile
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5/1/44THE MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII ARMY CORPS)
Secretary's Office

File No. 55/R.P./Scor.

APO SO, 5 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Distribution of Food to the Italian Armed Forces in Sardinia.

TO : Allied Garrison Headquarters, Sardinia.

CAGLIARI

I have taken due note of letter No. AG 480.12 dated 30 April.

I regret very much that the organizations in charge of rationing of food supplied by your headquarters did not follow the regulations agreed upon in full accord with your headquarters.

It is quite right that in the last 10 days of April the troops were given only 7 grams of coffee and not the 14 grams supplied.

I cannot explain now the reasons why the Intendance organizations modified what had been agreed upon. Those reasons should have been made known to the Intendances of your headquarters before distribution.

In any event, while informing you that disciplinary measures were taken against responsible persons, I feel bound to assure you that there will be no recurrence of the above fact, since I have directed that under today's date the Intendances cease functioning and be replaced by a Services Section with the Military Headquarters of Sardinia.

Lt. Col. CAPELLO, the former Intendance Chief, will be the present Section Head, and, as per Italian Army Regulations, he is not entitled to make decisions but shall always submit all matters for my approval.

The Commanding General
GIOVANNI MAGLI

/s/ Magli

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Investigation

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

F-2

30 April 1944

AG 430.12

SUBJECT: Issue of Rations to Italian Armed Forces in Sardinia.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Army in Sardinia.

1. It has been brought to the attention of this Headquarters that although the Combined Italian Armed Forces Supply Board issued for the 3rd 10 day period in April, coffee to the Italian Army in Sardinia in sufficient quantity to allow distribution of 14 grams per man per day, this amount is not being furnished to soldiers messes.

2. Specifically, the issue to messes has been 14 grams per day to officers and non commissioned officers and only 7 grams per day to troops.

3. Reference is made to letter this headquarters dated 22 January 1944, subject, "Receipt, Storage and Distribution by Italian Forces in Sardinia of Supplies Imported for Their Use From Allied Sources", paragraph 3 of which is quoted for your information and guidance: "Acceptance by the Italian Forces of these supplies will imply assurance they will be issued on the scale announced by this Headquarters, will be used for the purpose intended, and will not be bartered, sold or otherwise wrongfully disposed of."

4. The scale determined by this Headquarters is announced to the Italian Armed Forces through the Combined Italian Armed Forces Supply Board.

5. The scale as announced must be strictly adhered to and no diversion of rations into stock reserves or otherwise is authorized.

For the Commanding General:

AUGUSTUS P. VISALI
Captain, Field Artillery
Acting Adjutant General

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DRAFT

Inspection Check List

Date 3/8/49

Inspection
Order

Name of Unit 57 X Location Long Beach (the place)

Strength 57 Off. 4 S. Off. 2 E.M. 0

C.O. 3 bottles of 4 1/2% X Mess Officer A. B. Smith

Scale issued to men Bread 1000, Pasta 40-45, Meat 112, Fish 297

Vegetables 55 lb, Sugar 14 lb, Coffee 2-14, Pepper —, Matches 2

What variation is there in meat diet? In diet depends from the week hours B.C.

What variation is there in vegetable diet? B.C.

Are local purchases made? yes If so of what items, in what quantities, from what source, and how often? Wine, vegetables, fruit

T Bought from Long Beach - every two days

Are rations drawn for the OFFICERS & MEN at the same time? yes

Are OFFICERS getting the same scale of Allied ration as the men? yes (except coffee)

If not how much more or less? 2 lb less of coffee

From where are rations drawn? Long Beach - every day How Often? every day

How many rations are drawn daily? 57. To whom are strength reports submitted

for personnel purposes? command staff for rationing? myself - on command

Note on back method of preparing & distributing food to individual men.

Note on back suggestions, comments & recommendations of unit.

Have all men been informed of ration scale? yes. In general do the men?

feel as if they are getting all the food they should be getting under the scale?

yes. If not note instances & report.

Get statements as to ration from 3 privates. Statements must be given privately.

No one else should be present. Summarize your findings & recommendations.

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One day 112 lb meat and one day 227 lb fish

7 lb coffee 2.00 c 14 c off and coal coal off.

The soldiers say that they would prefer to have more bread and less vegetables especially buttered coffee in the morning

11 1/2 1st meal soup (paste, vegetables, oil cheese)
5 Salina or butter or meat

All the men say that they would prefer to have more bread and paste. In this way they could have 3 hot meals per day.

Generally the men think that they get what they can support to get

The soldiers don't get the whole ration of paste because a part of it is used to make a dry meal on Sunday

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
INTENDENZA

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N° 13237/SM. di prot. L.N. 50, li 27 Aprile 1944

OGGETTO: Tabella viveri. -

....indirizzi cassi....

Trasmetto la nuova tabella viveri che sostituisce
sino a nuovo ordine, la precedente di cui al foglio 128/
Com. 1/Serv. del 20 Febbraio c.e.

Essa dovrà entrare in vigore il giorno 1/5/c.e.

Con tale tabella viene integralmente applicata
(ad eccezione del caffè, la cui razione, diminuita di
gr. 2 è integrata da altrettanti grammi di surrogato)
la razione viveri del tipo "B", concordata tra la M.M.
I.A. e le nostre Superiori Autorità ed in vigore per
truppe dell'Isola. -

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to Giovanni Magli

E. C. C.
L'AUTANTE MAGGIORE

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
INTERDENZA

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N°13237/SM di prot. P.M. 50, li 27 Aprile 1944
OGGETTO: Tabella viveri.-

....indirizzi omessi....

Trasmetto la nuova tabella viveri che costituisce
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IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to Giovanni Megli

F. C. C.
L'AIUTANTE MAGGIORE

Allegata al foglio n° 30
della 7^BASE.=

TABELLA DECADELE VIVBRI INDIVIDUALE (1) - (2) DAL 1° MAGGIO

GIORNI DELLA DECADE	PANE (3)	PASTA (4)	GALLET TA (5)	CARNE SCAT. (6)	PESCE IN COP. (7)	VERDURA DEIDR. (8)	OLIO (9)	SALE (10)	CAFFÈ (11)	SUNRO GATO (12)	ZUC (13)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1° giorno	300	90	-	113,40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
2° giorno	300	90	-	-	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
3° giorno	300	90	-	113,40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
4° giorno	300	90	-	-	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
5° giorno	300	90	-	113,40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
6° giorno	300	-	100	-	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
7° giorno	300	90	-	113,40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
8° giorno	300	90	-	-	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
9° giorno	300	90	-	113,40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
10° giorno	300	90	-	-	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175
TOTALE	3000	810	100	567,00	1135	567,00	100	200	120	20	141,75

NOTE:

- (1) - Per i militari addetti ai lavori pesanti il supplemento è così composto:
- carne sciolata gr. 56
 - zucchero " 20
 - caffè " 20
 - vino cl. 25.
- (2) - La presente tabella è integrata da 2.3 giornali di miglioramento rancio pe
e, comunque, contingentati, in particolare: frutta - verdura e ricotta.
- (3) - Alle mense è consentito prelevare 250 gr. di pane e 40 grammi di farina.
- (4) - Nei giorni festivi viene distribuito supplemento di pasta : 50 grammi.
- (5) - In luogo della distribuzione di farina, per disposizione Ministeriale. Qu
galletta verrà distribuita il giorno successivo.
- (6) - Per gli ufficiali e sottufficiali: gr. 14,175.

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Allegato al foglio n° 366/1 del 29/4/1944 del Comando della 7^a BASE. =

DECADARE VIVERRI INDIVIDUALE (1) - (2) DAL 1° MAGGIO 1944

	MESE IN COM.	PESCE DEIDR.	VERDURA	OLIO	SALE	CAFFE' (6)	BURRO GATO	ZUCCHERO 368	TABAC CHI	FORMAG GIO	PEPE	VINO	FLANNE PI SOLT.
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	0,14175	25	1	
	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	1	
40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
40	-	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
	227	56,70	10	20	12	2	14,175	5	20	idem	25	-	
CO	1135	567,=	100	200	120	20	141,75	50	200	1,4175	250	2	

ai lavori pesanti il supplemento è così composto:

- colata gr. 56
- " 20
- " 20
- cl. 25.

integrata da 2.3 giornal. di miglioramento rancio per l'acquisto di generi non vastofini
 ti, in particolare: frutta - verdura e ricotta. -
 e prelevare 250 gr. di pane e 40 grammi di farina.
 ne distribuito supplemento di pasta : 50 grammi.
 usione di farina, per disposizione Ministeriale. Qualora il 3° giorno sia festivo, la
 nita il giorno successivo.
 rufficiali: gr. 14,175.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1st Ind.

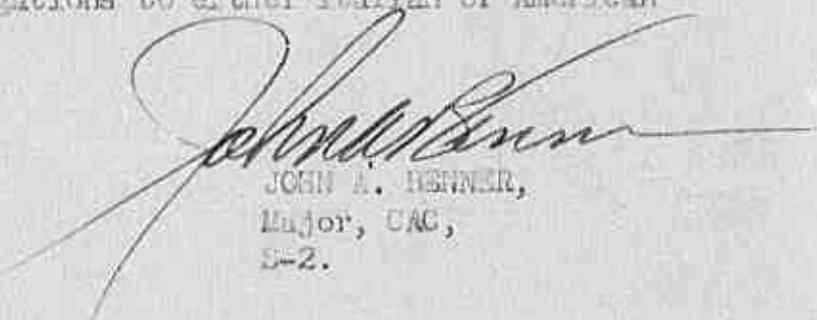
HEADQUARTERS, 74th AAA Group, APO 512, U. S. Army, 22 April 1944.

TO: S-2, Allied Garrison of Sardinia, APO 534, U. S. Army.

1. Attention is invited to par 1 and 2 of 2nd W/Ind. enclosed with reference to periodic report No. 15, Headquarters, 431st AAA AW Bn, dated 15 April 44; it is believed the statement made by the Battalion S-2 was based on rumors as stated and not authentic. It is requested that the statement be disregarded.

2. On 9 April 44, a conference was held at this headquarters for all Group S-2's. The subject of dissatisfaction of ration issues on the part of Italian soldiers was discussed, and all S-2's informed to submit any data they might find concerning same. No information was given at the time concerning the Italian scale ration as the means of distribution and quantities of food were not known at the time.

3. With reference to par 3b (2), periodic report No. 21, this headquarters, specific names and sources were not obtained by the informant. Report No. 19, this headquarters, rendered the names of two Italian soldiers who were willing to repeat their allegations to either Italian or American authorities.



JOHN A. HENNER,
Major, OAC,
S-2.

1 Incl.
2d W/Ind. 431st AAA AW Bn, S-2.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
G-2 SECTION
AFG 534

D-3

19 April 1944

SUBJECT: Periodic Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, 74th AAA Group.
Attn: S-2.

1. Reference is made to your Periodic Report, dated 16 April 1944, specifically Paragraph 3, b(2) and f 1.

2. More specific evidence is requested by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 Office, Allied Garrison of Sardinia, to indicate actual distribution of American ration issues, by the Italian authorities in your area.

3. Please advise this office regarding the existence of the auxiliary rations mentioned, such as "jellies, jams, or similar items" and "spam". It has been called to attention by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 Office, that the foregoing items are not included in the list of rations established for distribution to the Italian Armed Forces by the Allies.

By Command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

Henry R. Nicelli
HENRY R. NICELLI
1st Lt. FA,
Asst. G-2.

1 Copy to Captain Sachs, Asst. G-4.

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W/Ind.
HQ, 74TH AAA GROUP, APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 21 Apr 44.

TO: Capt Loren J. N. Allison, S-2, 431st AAA AW Bn, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

For explanation and further report in regard to Par 3,
basic letter, and Par 3f of your periodic report No 15, dated
15 Apr 44.

John A. Benner
JOHN A. BENNER,
Major, CAC,
S-2.

2nd W/Ind.

HQ 431st AAA AW Bn, APO 512, U.S. Army, 21 April 1944

TO: Major JOHN A. BENNER, S-2, 74th AAA Group, APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. No further information and no factual data is available concern-
ing the rumored faulty distribution of rations. The rumors were passed
on as such, since verbal instructions indicated such procedure desirable.

2. In view of the information contained in the basic letter, it seems
probable that the rumors of faulty distribution originated from normal
"griping" by enlisted men. It is therefore suggested that they be disre-
garded.

3. If reports on such items are still desired, it is requested that
information be made available to S-2's as to the procedures, items, and
quantities involved in the distribution of rations to the Italian Armed
Forces by the Allies.

Loren J. N. Allison
LOREN J. N. ALLISON
Captain, C.A.C.
S-2

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

E-1

11 March 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Chief of Staff.

SUBJECT : Report of Visit to Italian Commands with Relation to Allied Supplies.

1. Accompanied by Lt. Col. DE GIUDICI, I left ELMAS the morning of 7 March 1944 to call on various Italian Commands to discuss the reception, storage and preparation for consumption of the food being supplied by us.
2. In general all the large unit Commanders interviewed were very pleased with the rations received and agreed that their men were now getting better food than they had been previously. There was a general belief that 300 gr. of flour did not give a quantity of bread normal to the Italian diet, however, the increase from 300 to 350 gr. which has now been made, should meet this requirement. They were all complimentary about the quality of the various components.
3. We visited numerous kitchens and found in the main, that the ingredients were being cooked in a manner which increased the volume of food. The kitchen equipment, even in permanent installations, was primitive.
4. The individual soldiers interviewed, were all without exception, better satisfied with the present food than that which they had been eating.
5. A recent ruling, fixing the price of wine at 15 lire per liter has resulted in the wine component being entirely eliminated from the ration at present. This problem has been taken up with Gen. PENNA, the Governor General, by the Italian Command.
6. There was a general view that the absence of tobacco was the greatest lack at present; various commanders asked for the following items: shoes, soap and dentifrice.
7. There is on file in this office the notes of the individual interviews with the various commanders.

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Rabin

F. To
[Signature]

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COPIA PER IL CAPITANO SACKS

TABELLA DISTRIBUZIONE VIVERI MESE APRILE PER LE UNITA' DE

GIORNO	PANE gr.	PASTA (1) gr.	CARNI MISTA gr.	SALMONI gr.	FORMAG GIO gr.	OLIO gr.	PATATE ESSICA gr.	SALIN gr.	CAFFE' gr.	SUCCO GATTO gr.	ZUCCHERO gr.	CAFFÈ gr.
11/4/944	300	90	112	-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
12/4/944	300	90	-	227	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
13/4/944	300	90	112	-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
14/4/944	300	90	-	227	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
15/4/944	300	90	112	-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
16/4/944	300	140	-	227	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
17/4/944	300	90	112	-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
18/4/944	300	90	-	227	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
19/4/944	300	90	112	-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	
20/4/944	300	90	-	227	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	

NOTA: Nei giorni di sabato e mercoledì anzichè gr.90 di pasta dovranno essere di ed alla Domenica anzichè gr.90 di pasta ne dovranno essere distribuiti gr.
 (2) La razione di zucchero e di caffè per ufficiali e sottufficiali deve essere di gr.14 convivente.-

MELEA DISTRIBUZIONE VIVERI MESE APRILE PER LE UNITA' DEL R. ESERCITO

Investigati

GR.	MONTE FORNAC GIO gr.	OLIO gr.	PATATE ESSICA gr.	SALE gr.	CAFFE' gr.	SURRO GATTO gr.	ZUCCHER gr.	CONSER VA gr.	TABACCHI gr.	VINO
-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
27	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
27	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
27	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
27	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
-	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4
27	20	10	55	20	7	3	14	-	5	1/4

...ato e mercoledì anzichè gr. 90 di pasta dovranno essere distribuiti gr. 90 di farina
 anzichè gr. 90 di pasta ne dovranno essere distribuiti gr. 140 più gr. 5 di conserva. (1)
 di zucchero e di caffè per ufficiali e sottufficiali deve intendersi di gr. 14 per



M I L I T A R E
COMANDO FORZE ARMATE DELLA SARDEGNA
 Segreteria

n° 54/R.P./Segr. di prot.

P.M. 50 - 5 maggio 1944

OGGETTO : Distribuzione viveri Forze Armate Italiane in Sardegna.

PROMEMORIA PER IL SIG. COLONNELLO DOYLE

Capo di S.M. del Comando Forze Armate Alleate in Sardegna

C A G L I A R I

1.- Ho detto nel mio foglio n.53/R.P./Segr. che non mi sembrava necessario spiegare le ragioni che hanno consigliato l'Intendente a modificare la distribuzione del caffè in rapporto alle quantità ricevute.

Ciò perchè non intendo giustificare errori commessi in una materia così delicata.

2.- Tengo però a comunicare alla S.V. il seguente prospetto dal quale si rilevano le quantità ricevute e quelle distribuite nei mesi di marzo e aprile.

PERIODO	RAZIONE ALLEATA	RAZ. TRUPPA	RAZ. UFFICIALI E SOTTUFF.
1^ decade marzo	gr. 11,080	gr. 5	gr. 14,175
2^ " "	" 10,280	" 5	idem
3^ " "	" --	" 5	"
1^ " aprile	" 10,280	" 10	"
2^ " "	" --	" 7	4899
3^ " "	" 14,175	" 7	"
T o t a l e	gr. 45,815	gr. 39	gr. 85,050

3.- Si desume che nel complesso sono state distribuite in meno a ciascun militare grammi 6,815.

Tale quantità è stata trattenuta con l'intendimento di co

stituire una limitata autosufficienza di caffè per l'eventualità che dovessero venire a mancare le normali distribuzioni, come in qualche decade si è verificato.

G. Giovanni Magli

MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA

5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Distribution of Supplies to the Italian Forces in Sardinia
 TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Garrison of Sardinia

1. I said in my letter N 53/RP Segr that it seemed to me not necessary to explain the reasons for which the intendant has changed the distribution of coffee in relation with the quantity received.

This because I do not want to justify mistakes made in such delicate question.

2. But I am willing to communicate to your (lordship) the following prospect from which you see the quantities received and those distributed in the months of March and April.

PERIOD	ALLIED RATION	TROOP RATION	OFFICERS & SUB OFFICERS RATION
1st 10 day period of March	11.080 grams	5 grams	14.175 grams
2nd 10 day period of March	10.280 grams	5 grams	" "
3rd 10 day period of March	-----	5 grams	" "
1st 10 day period of April	10.280 grams	10 grams	" "
2nd 10 day period of April	-----	7 grams	" "
3rd 10 day period of April	14.175 <u>45.815</u>	7 grams <u>34</u>	" " <u>48.050</u>

3. To every soldier has, therefor, been distributed on the whole 6.815 grams less than the Allied Ration.

This quantity has been kept with the intention to make a limited stock of coffee in case that we would not have the normal distribution of coffee as has happened in some 10 day period.

GENERAL GIOVANNI MAGLI

Inspection List

Date 3/6/44

Name of unit 45 Regt Infantry Location Iglerias

Streight 775 off. 59 S. off. 58 B. M. 658

C. O. St. P. Ruggiero ^{private} Major Officer Cap. Pirovano Yudis

Scale issued to men Bread 100 Pasta 90 Fish 113 Meat 56.5

Vegetables 56.7 Sugar 14.125 Coffee 19.125 Pepper 20.14 Matches 1 every 5 days

Macaroni — Beans — Cheese 2pp Rice — Tomatoes 5 pr. on ration

Cigarette papers — What variation is there in meat diet? 1 day

cost 1 day 1 day 1 day What variation is there in vegetable diet?

wrote 1 day 1 day 1 day Are local purchases made? yes If so of what items

in what quantities, from what sources and how often? fresh cabbage

lets onions fruits weekly every day

Are rations drawn for officers and men at the same time? yes

Are officers getting the same scale of Allied ration as the men? yes

If not how much more or less? —

From where are rations drawn? Mag. Puz. Iglerias how often every day

How many rations are drawn daily? 775 How often are streight reports submitted?

For rationing? Mag. Puz. Iglerias For personnel purposes? Defers Barr. handling

Note on back method of preparing and distributing food to individual men. Burechi

Note on back suggestions, comments and recommendation of unit.

Have all men been informed of ration scale? no In general are all men 699

zealing as if they are getting all the food they should be getting under the

scale? no If not note instances and report. Get statements as to ration

from 3 privates. Statements must be given privatly. No one else should be

sent. Sumarize your findings and recommendations.

On sunday the men get 140 gr of pasta
They have had some rice

The men complain especially for the Serbians
they say that the most severe they stand
out even in bad conditions

The soldiers also prefer potatoes to the
other vegetables

In this unit the men have one hot
meal per day, at noon. In the evening
they have fish or meat

The soldiers complain that the ration is
not sufficient

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