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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

27 October 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO Report.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/51 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 July submit the following:

a "O" Points. Training. Visited 68 Inf Regt and 2nd Bn 40 Inf Regt during week. The C.O. of former stated they did 3 hour training week days and the C.O. of latter stated 5 hours. Neither were training at time of visit because it was meal time.

b "A" Points. Shipped the following military to mainland past week:

SHIP	DATE DEPARTED CAGLIARI	DESTINATION	NO. OF MIL. PERSONNEL
S/S Abbazia	21 October	Naples	59
H.M. Miraglia	26 October	Leghorn	172

a "O" Points. Nothing to report.

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

20 October 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO Report.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter C/51 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 July submit the following:

a "G" Points. Training. General Maccario, Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia, advised me that practice training was being done to quell riots, rebellion, etc in accordance with their plan.

b "A" Points. Shipped the following military to mainland past week:

Ship	Date Departed Cagliari	No. of Mil Personnel
Destroyer Carini	15 October	47
S/S Germargentu	17 October	16
Cruiser Caribaldi	17 October	453
Destroyer Paolnotti	19 October	96
Destroyer Aliseo	20 October	78
	Total	690

Due to the extra ships coming in this week approx 50 military will be available for the S/S Abbasia 21 October. The rest of the 200 places will be turned over to civilians.

c "Q" Points. Rations. With the recent arrival of food on the S/S Abbazia no emergencies exist. The Abbazia is still in process of being unloaded and no report as quantity received available as yet. Many cartons, especially Canadian packed fish items, came broken in the ship before being unloaded.

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LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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

15 October 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO Report.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter C/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "G" Points - NTR

b "A" Points - Shipped 240 military to the mainland during the past week on H/S Gargilesfield and Destroyer Aliseo.

c "Q" Points - NTR.

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

6 October 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO Report.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "G" Points. On recent inspections unable to find many men actually training. The units have a training schedule but doubt if they are doing a great deal of training which involves very many personnel.

b "A" Points. Shipped during the past week as follows to Mainland:

DATE	SHIP	MAINLAND PORT	NUMBER OF MILITARY	NUMBER REFUGEES
2 Oct	Cruiser Garibaldi	Genoa	254	364
28 Sept	Destroyer Ardimentoso	Naples	38	
3 Oct	Destroyer Ariete	Leghorn	57	
			329	364

The U.S. Campidoglio will sail 8 Oct with approx 200 military.

c "C" Points

(1) TFT. On inspecting MT units the past week found many vehicles inefficient and vehicles not properly taken care of. Have brought this to the attention of Commanding General, C.M.S. and Territorial Office for correction. (See our S & T Report).

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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

29 September 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Report

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "Q" Points - NTR

b "A" Points - Shipped 151 military to mainland the past week on Destroyers Elliot and Ardimentoso. Expect to ship approximately 550, or more, military and 200, or more, refugees to Genoa on the Cruiser Garibaldi 2 October. Delayed one day from original schedule.

c "Q" Points - NTR

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

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED [illegible] (A.C.C.A.)
Allied Control Commission Sardinia
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

22 September 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In accordance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "C" Points - NIL

b "A" Points - Shipped 297 Military to mainland on U/S Abbazia and Destroyer Andromeda the past week. Very few are waiting shipment now.

c "Q" Points - NIL.

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

15 September 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In accordance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "C" Points - NTR.

b "A" Points - Shipped 137 Military to mainland on S/S Cennargentu and Destroyer Aretusa the past week. Very few are waiting shipment here now.

c "Q" Points - NTR.

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

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

8 September 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In accordance with your letter C/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "C" Points - NIL.

b "A" Points. Shipped 323 military to mainland the past week - On Destroyer Nonsunbano 40, Destroyer Ludamito 69 and S/S Campidoglio 200.

c "Q" Points - NIL.

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. 534, U.S. Army

31 August 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In accordance with your letter G/3A subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June submit the following:

a "G" Points. NTR

b "A" Points. Shipped 155 military to mainland the past week. There are approx 400 military waiting shipment to mainland.

c "Q" Points. NTR.

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. 534, U.S. Army

26 August 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) Rome.

1. In accordance with your letter C/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June W.T.R.

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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.O. 796, U.S. Army

20 August 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA) Rome.

1. In accordance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June, submit the following:

a. "O" Points NIL

b. "A" Points Shipped on Destroyer Alfaco the past week approximately 150 military to mainland. With 400 places monthly on the C/S Abbazia and Campidoglio and 600 other places per month should take care of all requirements nicely. Very few of the personnel on leave to mainland are returning. CMS advised me they received instructions from Ministry of War to drop them from roll after one month and replace with personnel (Sards) coming to Sardinia from the mainland on leave. Many of which are in civilian and scantily clothed. (see para. 1 c (3) below).

c. "Q" Points

(1) TPT - NIL

(2) Rations NIL

(3) Clothing and Equipment. Supplying personnel mentioned in paragraph 1 b above drains heavily on our supply. We are greatly in need of shoes, shirts and drawers, especially shoes as stated in our requisition for clothing latter part of July.

(4) Accommodations and Camps. NIL

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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 (MMIA)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

15 August 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA)

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June, submit the following:

a "G" Points NTR

b "A" Points With the arrival of the various ships the past week and the arrival Corvette IBIS this date and expected arrival of the Destroyer Alfieo tomorrow, the transportation of leave personnel, Air Force Call ups and Refugees to the mainland is quite satisfactory at the time being.

c "Q" Points

(1) TPT NTR

(2) Rations
Navy at Maddalen have a little surplus. (See our S&S report)

(3) Clothing and Equipment. NTR
(4) Accomodations and Camps. NTR

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

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Subject: Maintenance of Tpt.

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

9 Aug 45

To: H.Q. SARDINIA

Reference your letter of 4 Aug, para 1 a(1).

You will please inform the Commanding General Italian Forces in SARDINIA that the efficient maintenance of tpt is considered of the highest importance. Any failure in this matter will be instantly considered in relation to the desirability of officers retaining their command.

F. J. HOARE Col.
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M.M.I.A.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMM, A.C. (MMIA), APO 394 U.S. ARMY, 13 August 1945

TO: Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Forwarded for your information and compliance.

2. This is in conjunction with the conference in my office with General Scalabrino 31 July 1945.

LESTER R. ALBERT 2882
Lt. Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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ALLIED SECTION
SUB-ALLIED SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (U.S.I.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

4 August 1945

SUBJECT: ITALIAN LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (LFSCA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/52 subject as above of 1 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June, submit the following:

a "G" points

(1) No Italian units are performing functions other than that for which they are designed.

(2) They have a training schedule but very little is being done.

(3) Territorial Office Headquarters functioning.

(4) Cagliari Distributing Depot to complete movement to a better location in Cagliari near the Bulk Depot by 7 August.

(5) No information of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points. The arrival at Cagliari of S.S. Garibaldi 5 August with returning leave personnel and the load we can send to mainland on same ship with the 200 places on the S.S. Campidoglio should place us in good position re leave personnel. Personnel on leave to mainland have been gone for up to six weeks, probably due to transportation facilities on mainland and return to Sardinia by sea.

c "Q" points

(1) TPT.

Our recent inspections of MT and the 14 Repair Unit indicate that vehicles are not properly serviced and steps to repair inefficient vehicles not expedited. Again I informed the Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia that it was his responsibility to keep the vehicles efficient and take immediate steps to correct the deficiencies. He promised immediate action. (See our S & T Report).

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(2) Rations.

(a) Received approx 200 tons straw recently on the S.S. Pallade. We were instructed previously that straw would have to be provided on the island for September, October and November. We have had no hay since April.

(b) Change in Distributing Depot see par 1a(4) above.

(3) Clothing and Equipment.

(a) See our C/11 subject Stock State Clothing Depot, Cagliari dated 1 August.

(4) Accommodations and camps.

No change.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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

28 July 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports

TO : Commanding General, MMIA

1. In compliance with your G/S1 subject as above of 4 June 45 and supplements thereto dated 21 June, no change therefore NTR.

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

21 July 1945

SUBJECT: MIA LO - Reports.

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

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June, submit the following:

a "G" Points

(1) No Italian units are performing functions other than that for which they are designed.
(2) Very little training being done.
(3) Territorial Office Headquarters functioning.
(4) Cagliari Distributing Depot in process of being moved.
(5) No information of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points

As previously reported on the three special trips of the cruiser Garibaldi, the leave situation is well taken care of, however, the returns from mainland of Liberation leave is taking better than a month.

c "Q" Points

(1) TPT.
Am making special emphasis re to inspection of MT to see that same is properly maintained and serviced.
(2) Rations.
Satisfactory. No change from previous report.

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(3) Clothing and Equipment

The Commissary Section state they could increase the number of pairs shoes rebuilt per month from 70 to 200 at Oshiri if they had a few spare parts for machines on hand, a chief shoemaker, a cutter for uppers and a mechanic to keep machines in order. They also need a chief tailor to increase production in the tailor shop. I advised them to contact Ministry of War re the above, which they have done.

(4) Accommodations and Camps

No change.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Medical 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

14 July 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June 1945, submit the following:

a "G" Points

(1) No Italian units are performing functions other than that for which they are designed.
(2) Training - No change from previous report.
(3) Territorial Office Headquarters functioning.
(4) Cagliari Distributing Depot and Forage Depot to move soon. All others are in position.
(5) No information of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points. With three recent trips of the cruiser Garibaldi we have been able to clear the backlog on leave personnel from mainland and send all leave personnel from Sardinia to Mainland. So with the 200 places on the Abbazia and Campidoglio each month, unless some unforeseen condition arises, we should be able to handle the transportation of leave personnel satisfactorily. However, we will have by the end of July approx 800 Italian Air Force callups to transport, which I am of the opinion we can sandwich in by using various Italian ships.

c "Q" Points 287c

(1) TPT. If our request to you is approved to transfer the mechanics and assistant mechanics from 5 Efficient Vehicle Park to 14 Repair Unit our auto repair situation will be in better condition.

(2) Rations - No change from previous report. Note that 56 tons of dehydrated vegetables were shipped to Sardinia on the Abbazia middle of June and to comply with instructions to retain only

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60 days reserve on the island we shipped 20 tons of same to mainland on Joseph G. Cannon last week. However, in computing the amount to be sent on the Cannon figures were taken from ST/12 report as at 20 June and the 30 tons mentioned above were not at that time included.

(3) Clothing and Equipment.

(a) Just received a detailed report on clothing for callups which has been greatly delayed. They report some clothing unserviceable, and some needing cleaning and repairs. Stating that this clothing was issued to callups and later withdrawn from callups when rejected, in Hospital, went AWOL, etc. It is the usual Italian excuse, but as of the opinion there has been some "famagling", in other words an interchange of clothing with other military. We have been short shirts, shoes and drawers on the island. By 25 July when we receive the inventory, which I directed to include all clothing to be returned by recalls, we should know our exact status on these three items and will requisition accordingly. Until you receive our requisition, unless already in the process of being shipped, it will not be necessary to honor our previous requisition.

(b) Clothing Depot at Maddalena to be consolidated with Cagliari Depot.

(c) In my inspection to Oschiri Clothing Repair Depot the officer in charge stated they rebuilt a daily average of 10 pairs of shoes per day. The Commissary Section advise me their output is 70 pairs per month.

(4) Accommodation and Camps

No change.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.T.A.)
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 396, U.S. Army

7 July 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above of 4 June 1945 and supplement thereto dated 21 June 1945, submit the following:

a "G" Points

(1) No Italian units are performing functions other than that for which they are designed.
(2) No change in training, very little done.
(3) Territorial office headquarters functioning.
(4) All depots are in position.
(5) No information of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points. With the arrival of another Surbaldi for two trips and the various Italian ships used all military on leave to mainland have or will be transported.

c "S" Points

(1) TPT
(a) A great improvement in repair facilities of TC.

(2) Rations

(a) Availability of Allied provided items in depots satisfactory. We are shipping on S.S. Joseph C. Cannon the following U.S. foods which are in excess to 60 days supply for the island; 40 tons meat and fish, 20 tons dehydrated vegetables and o.1 [illegible] per.
(b) Availability of Italian provided items satisfactory.
(c) Plenty of soap, but believe they are not issuing full amount. Are making an investigation.
(d) Confident distributing depot be move to better location.

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(f) Clothing and Equipment

(a) Satisfactory except shoes, shirts and drawers. (See our Clothing report as at 25 June).

(b) NIL to report on progress, output etc of repair plants.

(c) No other change in location of depots.

(d) Accommodation & Camps

(a) No demands by Allies or Italians foreseen

(2) Plenty of barracks on the island.

LESTER R. ALLEN
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

29 June 1945

SUBJECT: MMIA LO - Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above dated 4 June and supplement thereto dated 21 June 1945, submit the following.

a "G" Points

(1) They are transferring personnel that have somewhat mechanical experience to 14 Repair Shop and are having some auto repair work done by mechanics at Artillery Repair Shop at Nuoro. So we have all promise of more efficient work from that unit.

(2) Although they have a brief training schedule am of the opinion they are more interested in going to mainland on leave.

(3) All depots in position.

(4) Not aware of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points

(1) With the coming of the Garibaldi to transport leave personnel to the mainland and two subsequent ships the transportation difficulty of leave personnel will be solved. However, between 15 - 25 June we have returned 111 Military on leave from mainland and sent 198 to mainland on leave.

c "Q" Points

(1) TPT

(a) See paragraph 1a(1) above. No particular shortage of motor transport now.

(b) Have instructed C.M.S. to collect all unauthorized Army vehicles, which they are carrying out.

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(c) Workshop progress see Paragraph 1a(1) above.

(2) Rations

(a) Availability of Allied provided items in depots satisfactory.

(b) As at 20 June there remained the following Italian and German foods: Meat 13 days, sugar 7½ days, coffee 59½ days, pepper 233 days. With the exception of pepper about all will be issued by end of July. Availability of Italian provided items satisfactory.

(c) Soap and cigarettes satisfactory.

(d) Cagliari Distributing Depot to move to vicinity of Bulk Depot, as the present building is to be occupied by High Commissioner, a more desirable place.

(3) Clothing and Equipment

(a) Satisfactory except shoes, shirts and drawers. The requirements will be shown when we submit the Monthly Clothing Report, to follow.

(b) Progress, output etc repair plants. See par 3a of Weekly Log No. 66 dated 24 June.

(c) Macomer Clothing Depot is being closed and after the items that are to be shipped to mainland the balance will be moved to Cagliari.

(4) Accommodation and Camps

(a) No demands by Allies or Italians foreseen.

(b) Plenty of barracks on the island.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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MMIA LO SARDINIA

SUBJECT: MMIA Liaison Officers - Reports

LAND FORCES SUB-COM., A.C. (MMIA)

G/31

21 June 45

TO : ALL SENIOR MMIA LO'S

1. Reference this HQ G/31 of 4 June 45 and the lists of "C" Points which all LO's are requested to answer.

2. In future LO's will give the information required by each question only as and when it applies to their own particular area.

Reports submitted in accordance with directive G/31 of 4 June 45 should be separate from LO's normal weekly reports.

[signature]
Major General
MMIA

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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

10 June 1945

Subject: MMIA Liaison Officer - Reports

TO : Commanding General, Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MMIA).

1. In compliance with your letter G/31 subject as above dated 4 June 1945 submit the following:

a "G" Points

(1) The 14 Repair Shop does not have qualified personnel to do repair work, due to the fact that many mechanics had been sent to the mainland with 1st Mobile Park and upon requests for specialists. They also lack spare parts, tools and equipment for same reason. Too many of their personnel are doing guard duty at inefficient motor parks. Steps have been taken to correct all the above mentioned deficiencies within our resources and capabilities now on the island.

(2) The troops of the Calabria Division have a training schedule for a daily short period, but am of the opinion they are not doing a great deal of training.

(3) All depots in position.

(4) Not aware of any Italians endeavoring to obtain any "I" information on any other nation.

b "A" Points

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(1) The Calabria Division is composed largely of personnel that have homes in Northern Italy and as news spreads that some are going on leave and leave percentages increased, most of their interest lies in that direction now. Due to shortage of transportation now and the fact that so many military on leave are continuing to arrive from mainland that have to be returned to the mainland, unless ships in addition to the Abbazia and Campidoglio are provided we will not be able to send many on leave to their homes in Northern Italy. Needless to say this will effect morale.

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c "Q" Points

(1) TPT

(a) See paragraphs 1a(1) and 1b(1) above.

(b) Have instructed Territorial Office in Sardinia to derequisition all civilian vehicles no longer of any use to the military.

(c) Work Shop Progress - see par 1a(1) above.

(2) Rations

(a) Availability of Allied and Italian provided items in depots satisfactory. Forage shortage due to dry weather and grasshoppers. Have no hay but sufficient straw to last to about 1 September.

(b) Soap and cigarettes satisfactory.

(c) No change in supply points foreseen.

(3) Clothing and Equipment

(a) The only clothing required is shoes, drawers and shirts. Approx 120[0] sets of clothing to be turned in to sub-depot from recall and recruits allotment. Do not know how many shoes, drawers and shirts will be included.

(b) Report on repair plants to follow after an inspection in Northern part of inland next week.

(c) No change in supply points foreseen.

(4) Accomodation and Camps

(a) No demands by Allies or Italians foreseen.

(b) Plenty of barracks on the island.

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SUBJECT: MMIA Liaison Officers - Reports

LAND FORCES SUB-COM, A.C. (MMIA)

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4 June 45

TO : ALL SENIOR MMIA LOs

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1. Now that hostilities have ceased, our work in MMIA, both in the office and in the field, has if anything increased; certainly it has become more exacting.

2. There are, I know, many major problems which are facing you now and there will be others in the future. The chief thing we would all like to know is the size, composition and future role of the Italian Army and I have already submitted recommendations. This matter is therefore in the hands of AFHQ and Combined Chiefs of Staff and nothing further can be done at present.

3. In order to compete with the day to day changes, especially in the North, we require INFORMATION. That is the object of this letter, because we all feel much in the dark as to what is going on.

Will you please forward reports weekly until further notice, with interim reports by signal if the position warrants. Do not only include the past and the present but state what you consider the future form in your area is likely to be, remembering that your judgement, as the men on the spot, will be of great value to us in Rome. We will not blame you if you advise us wrongly when you guess at "tendencies"! What we want is the "feel" of things your end.

4. With the idea of helping you, I attach a list of Points "G", "A", and "Q" on which we require up-to-date information. You will note that we are concentrating on "I" particularly as this gives us an important angle on the political situation. Please contact the "I" Sec of District, Area, Army etc as well as the local FS Secs and include in your reports extracts from local "I" reports.

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Major General
MMIA

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'G' POINTS

1. What encroachment is there on Italian territory ?
2. What strength and composition is the force encroaching ?
3. What are their intentions as far as you can see ?
4. What is the disposition of Allied and Italian tps on the frontiers ?
5. What Italian units will be left behind by Fifth and Eighth Armies ?
6. What Italian units are performing functions other than that for which they are designed - i.e. muleteer units doing gd duties ?
7. What is the state of trg within units ?
8. Can units adequately absorb the personnel now being forwarded to it ?
9. Can you spread among units a favourable impression of Base Depot CESANO ?
10. Are all the Territorial HQs functioning, and are they "in power" ?
11. Are districts and depots in position ?
12. Are there many patriot bands still in your territory ? If so, please list them.
13. Have they handed in their arms ? If not, what do you consider their intention is ?
14. Are there any prominent patriot leaders who are not co-operating with either Allied or Italian authority ?
15. Are the present screening agencies performing a useful purpose ? Do you consider their work could be handed over to Territorial District HQ by end Jun at latest ?

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16. What is the morale of (a) Italian tps working for Allies (b) Italian tps working for Ministry of War ?
17. Are the Italians endeavouring to obtain any 'I' information on any other nation, if so what ?
18. What 'I' information can you forward on countries bordering ITALY ?

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'A' POINTS

From the 'A' angle, if the Italian Army is to be lowered in quantity it must be raised in quality; there is no shortage of men for replacements but we must be careful to accept only the best types. The Army must not be a home for incurables. Long term policy is therefore being directed towards:-

(a) long-sighted and careful screening for recruitment;

(b) improvement and standardisation of conditions of service;

(c) reorganisation of the judicial and penal systems;

(d) revision of regulations for appointing, promoting and downgrading officers.

Your views on the above points would be appreciated.

Immediate problems are:-

(a) screening and enlistment of the greatest number of patriot volunteers which can be accepted;

(b) transfer of some 15,000 US-ITI tps to other categories;

(c) change of status of some 30,000 cooperators to bring them back into the Italian Army;

(d) absorption of Eighth Army units and personnel left behind when Army goes to AUSTRIA;

(e) repatriation of half a million PWs now in Allied hands and re-absorption of some into the Army;

(f) standardisation of terms of service for "volunteers" as opposed to recalled conscripts;

(g) revision and standardisation of rates of pay;

(h) movement of leave personnel;

(i) trial of outstanding cases and solution of the AWOL problem.

We are looking ahead to the replacement of war time methods of reinforcement by those of peace conditions better understood by Italian officers. Any information gleaned on this subject would be of value.

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'A' work entails looking a long way ahead, possibly further than in other matters - any warning notes you can sound would be helpful.

With so many matters of principle needing alteration it is essential that MMLA should not be choked with detail, and that Italian staffs and comds should be made to accept and deal effectively with more and more of their own internal affairs. Suggestions for increased decentralisation would be welcomed.

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'S' POINTS

Four main headings in addition to minor services such as postal:-

(a) TPT

(i) State and shortages of tpt in Units with any special requirements.

(ii) Collection of illegal vehs etc.

(iii) Workshops progress, output etc, possible future moves.

(b) RATIONS

(i) availability of Allied provided items in depots.

(ii) Availability of Italian provided items.

(iii) Soap and cigarettes.

(iv) Any likely future change in supply points.

(c) CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

(i) Availability of items with any special needs.

(ii) Progress, output etc of repair plants.

(iii) Any likely future change in location of depots and consignment points.

(d) ACCOMMODATION AND CAMPS

(i) Demands or likely demands by Allies or Italians.

(ii) Buildings or camps not needed and which could be offered to Allies.

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