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LIAISON OFFICER
MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA DISTRICT
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

5 October 1944

SUBJECT: Automatic Carbines "Beretta Cal. 9mm".

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

Reference your 11625/1/13/OP of 19 September, same subject.

1. The original request for these small arms was made in December 1943.

Owing to the delay of your Hq in complying with the request, A.F.H.Q. was forced to make other arrangements.

The request, therefore, may be regarded as cancelled.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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File: Ammunition

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TRANSLATION GC/rro 20 Sept 44

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
S.M. Operations Office

No. 11625/1/13/OP APO 50, 19 September 1944

SUBJECT: Automatic Carbines "Beretta Cal.9".

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, ELMAS.

1. In letter dated 31 December 1943, signed Colonel F. L. SIMMONS, your Commission informed this Headquarters of a request received from General Headquarters Allied Forces for 370 Automatic Carbines "Beretta cal.9" for use by Italian Troops with the 5th Army. Information concerning the location of the above weapons was requested.

2. In letter No 897/1/13.OP, dated 18 January 1944, this Headquarters communicated to your Commission that the 370 carbines were at the 16 Artillery Regiment in Cagliari but it was not possible to release them since S.M.R.E. ordered that the handing over should not be carried out without their explicit permission.

3. Later this Headquarters informed S.M.R.E. of the situation, requesting instructions concerning the weapons in question.

4. In letter dated 29 July 1944 S.M.R.E. communicated that the carbines, destined as reserve for C.I.L. would be kept ready for shipment to the mainland; S.M.R.E. added that Allied Headquarters should arrange for the transfer.

5. As of today, no request for them has reached this Headquarters; your Commission is therefore kindly requested to furnish some clarificatim in this matter.

The 370 carbines with respective accessories and ammunition are now at the 16th Artillery Regiment Depot, packed in 25 boxes - total weight 4.640 tons.

For Chief of Staff (on leave)
Deputy Chief of Staff
/t/ Lt Col Mario Capello
/s/ Capello

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TR/na

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
S.M. - Ufficio Operazioni

N. 11625/1/13 /op. di prot. P.M. 50 li, 19 settembre 1944

OGGETTO: moschetti automatici Beretta cal.9.-

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO E l m e s

1.- Con foglio in data 31 dicembre 1943, a firma Col.F.L. Simmons, codesta Commissione informava questo Comando di aver avuto notizia dal Comando Generale delle Forze Alleate che erano stati richiesti 370 moschetti automatici Beretta cal.9 per uso delle truppe italiane presso la 5ª Armata e chiedeva che le venisse comunicato il luogo ove tali armi si trovavano accantonate.

2.- Con foglio n.897/1/13/op. questo Comando, in data 18 gennaio c.a., comunicava a codesta Commissione che i 370 moschetti si trovavano presso il Deposito del 16° rgt.art. in Cagliari, ma che non era possibile metterli a disposizione in quanto lo S.M. R.E. aveva ordinato di non procedere ad alcuna consegna senza suo esplicito ordine.

3.- Successivamente questo Comando esponeva la situazione allo S. M.R.E. chiedendo istruzioni circa la sorte delle armi in argomento.

4.- Con suo foglio in data 29 luglio u.s. lo S.M.R.E. comunicava che i moschetti dovevano essere tenuti pronti per essere trasportati in continente perché destinati a costituire riserva per il Corpo Italiano di Liberazione; aggiungeva che al trasporto avrebbe provveduto il Comando Alleato.

5.- Poiché alla data odierna, nessuna richiesta in merito é pervenuta a questo Comando, si prega codesta Commissione di voler cortesemente fornire qualche chiarimento al riguardo.

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I 370 moschetti, con relativi accessori e munizionamento, si trovano presso il Deposito 16° rgt.art., racchiusi in 25 casse del peso complessivo di tonnellate 4,640.-

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d'ordine
p. IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE apl.
IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Ten. Colonnello Mario Capello)

Rec'd 16:30
19 Sept 1944
M.I.

File: Ammunition

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Inter-office Communication slips.

Date 20 June

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REMARKS G-3

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| CHIEF OF STAFF | CHIEF OF STAFF | |
| ADJUTANT | ADJUTANT | |
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APW's Comments

Approved Forward

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897/1/13

THE MILITARY HQS OF SARDINIA. (XIII ARMY CORPS ).

TO : ALLIED HQS SARDINIA. ELMAS.

JAN. 44

SUBJECT : "BERETTA" .9 caliber automatic carbine.

In reference to phone message No.182 dated January 5th from this Hqs.

This Hqs. has sent to Cagliari, with the 16th Artillery Regiment Depot, the 370 automatic carbines requested by your Hqs.

Considering that all weapons of this type in Sardinia were at disposal of the Army Staff, the request of your Hqs has been made known to the Army Staff themselves. They order now that the handing over be not carried out without their explicit permission.

The aforesaid has been brought to your knowledge for any direct request Your Hqs may wish to make to the Army Staff .

Col G. LEDDA
Chief of Staff.

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File: Memorie Sardegna

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N. 2909 (208) del Catal.
(R. 1941 - Anno XX)

P.M.50, 15 gennaio 1944 -A.-

COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
S.M.= Ufficio Operazioni

COMANDO ALLEATO IN SARDEGNA
ELMAS

Prot. N. 894 Allegati ..... Risposta al foglio del .....
Div. ..... Sez. ..... N. .....

OGGETTO moschetti automatici "Beretta" calibro 9.

A seguito fono n.182 in data 5 gennaio di questo comando.

Questo comando ha fatto affluire a Caglieri, presso il dep.16° rgt.art., i 370 moschetti automatici richiesti da codesto comando.

Nella considerazione che tutte le armi di tale tipo esistenti in Sardegna erano a disposizione dello S.M.R.E., la richiesta di codesto comando è stata notificata allo Stato Maggiore stesso. Questi ordina ora di non procedere alla consegna senza suo esplicito ordine.

Tanto si comunica per le eventuali richieste dirette che codesto comando intendesse rivolgere allo Stato Maggiore R.Esercito.

d ' o r d i n e
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
( G.Ledda )

Trattare per ogni pratica su ogni argomento ed indicare nella risposta il numero di protocollo e l'ufficio cui si riferisce.

Indirizzo telegrafico ..... c/o postale n. .....

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TRANSLATION 7 Jan. A.F.V.

From: The Intendance

To : Ordinance Office and for Information to the Allied Headquarters for Colonel Stimpson

2?? Saturday 5th inst. the 160th Auto Section will place at the disposal of your Ordinance Office a motorvehicle to transport to the depot of the 16th Artillery, 370 Automatic Carbines, Beretta, 38/A complete, which will be consigned to the Allied command for Italian units operating with the 5th Army.

Col. Capello

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

31 December 1943

Subject: Request for Automatic Carbines, Beretta, 9 mm.

To : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Information has been received from Allied Force Headquarters that 370 Automatic Carbines, Beretta, 9 mm., are required for use of Italian troops with the Fifth Army, and that these weapons must be furnished from SARDINIA.

2. Confirming telephone conversation with your Operations Office on 31 December 1943, it is requested that this office be informed of the location of the above weapons and date of readiness for shipment.

F. L. Simsons
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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FOR INFO:

THIS MESSAGE RECEIVED IN SECRET CODE. THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN, ONLY SUCH EXTRACTS AS ARE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY WILL BE MADE AND MARKED SECRET, EQUALS BRITISH SECRET, THIS COPY WILL BE SAFE-GUARDED WITH THE GREATEST CARE AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE ORIGINATOR WITHOUT DELAY.

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PRIORITY SECRET 091717B

11 May 1944

TO: AGC SARDINIA for REGION 6 for MCPHEE

FROM: ACC MAIN from LEGG signed MACFARLANE.

Subject SALT.

Coaster RAVENSPOINT due arrive CAGLIARI 10 May. Will discharge and load cargo including 600 tons salt for CASTELLAMMARE. Please notify salt Monlpoly and assit movement if necessary. Advise sailing date by wire.

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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____
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Date 10 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY HUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence URGENT Security Classification SECRET

TO: MMIA INFO AAI (ADM. ECH)

From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 140

REFERENCE PARAGRAPH TWO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE LETTER ABLE QUEEN SLANT TWO THREE DATED TWO FIVE APRIL CIN ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA REPORT INSTRUCTIONS FROM SUGAR MIKE ROGER EASY TO RELEASE ONLY FOUR ZERO THOUSAND ROUNDS SEVEN FIVE SLANT ONE THREE AMMUNITION FD TOTAL OF ONE TWO ONE THOUSAND ROUNDS HERE FD REQUEST IMMEDIATE INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH SUGAR MIKE ROGER EASY TO RELEASE ADDITIONAL SIX ZERO THOUSAND ROUNDS FOR SHIPMENT ON BOLTON HALL ONE THREE MAY

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From: AGS SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 140

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Prepared by P. L. SIMMONS (name) COLONEL (rank) INFANTRY (org.)

Authenticated by J. P. DOYLE (name) COLONEL (rank) A.G. (org.)

FILE: HMHD

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ROUTINE CONFIDENTIAL 1000735 B

TO Q FILPOT RPTD FALCON FOR SIMMONS, AGS PASS TO FALCON, RPTD Q 8 ARMY

FROM MMIA VIA FILPOT

CITE AQ 1113 9

REF Q 1152 OF 8 MAY. ITALIANS SAY 120 ONLY 81MM MORTAR BOMBS SMOKE AVAILABLE MAINLAND LOCATED BRINDISI. NONE AVAILABLE SARDINIA. FOR SIMMONS CONFIRM QUERY.

RESCRIPT VJT 10 MAY 1944

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Date 8 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence PRIORITY Security Classification SECRET

TO: AAI RUF ROMA CITE QUEEN ONE ONE FIVE TWO

From: ACC SARDINIA SIGNED SUMNER Originator's Reference Number ACC YORK 158

NONE OF ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO BOMBS EIGHT ONE NINE MIKE MIKE SCHEDULED FOR RAVENSPORT ARE SMOKE FD ONE SIX SEVEN NINE SMOKE BOMBS EIGHT ONE NINE MIKE AMONG HEMBO AMMUNITION SHIPPED ON MARION BOUVARD CMA CHATEAU LATOUR CMA OR ANGLO AFRICAN FD NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS TO WHICH VESSEL CARRIED THE EIGHT ONE NINE MIKE MIKE HEMBO AMMUNITION

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From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS

Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 155

NOME OF ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO BOMBS EIGHT ONE MIKE MIKE SCHEDULED FOR RAVENSPORT AGS SMOKE PD ONE SIX SEVEN NINE SMOKE BOMBS EIGHT ONE MIKE MIKE AMONG MEMBO AMMUNITION SHIPPED ON MARION BOUVARD CMA CHATEAU LATOUR CMA OR ANGLO AFRICAN PD NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE AS TO WHICH VESSEL CARRIED THE EIGHT ONE MIKE MIKE MEMBO AMMUNITION

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Prepared by LA. GIUSTI (name) CAPTAIN (rank) CAV (org.)

Authenticated by E. L. STRONG (name) COLONEL (rank) INFANTRY (org.)

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FROM FILPOT

TO FOR ACTION MMIA TO FOR INFO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA PLEASE PASS TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS RELW 8TH ARMY

CITE Q 1152

REPORT IF PROPORTION 81mm MORTAR AMMUNITION LOADED TO RAVENSPOINT IS SMOKE. 1000 RDS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED AND STATED NONE HELD IN ITALIAN DEPOTS

RESCRIPT 8 MAY 1944 /rrc

Answered by cable yesterday

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TRANSLATION VJT. 29 April 1944

MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII ARMY CORP)
Services Office

No. 1933/Serv. APO 50, 28 April 1944

SUBJECT: Rounds of 75/13 Ammunition

MEMO TO: Colonel Simmons
Chief Allied Control Commission
At Allied Headquarters, ELMAS

As per your verbal request you are informed there exists the following number of complete rounds of 75/13 ammunition:

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|---|---|
| High explosive | 9,380 rounds |
| Model 32 (H.E.) | 85,454 rounds |
| Shrapnel | 26,649 rounds |
| Total | 121,483 rounds |

The above mentioned ammunition is distributed partly among the units and partly at the munition warehouses which are located in the northern as well as the southern part of the island.

The 100,000 rounds requested, which have been allocated according to need, could be assembled at Cagliari with advance notice of at least 5 or 6 days.

THE COLONEL CHIEF OF STAFF
(Col. C/S Gavino Ledda)
Ledda

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C. A.)
Ufficio Servizi

n° 1933 /Serv.ed pret. P.M.50, li 26 aprile 1944

OGGETTO: colpi da 75/13.-

PROMEMORIA PER IL COLONNELLO SIMONS
Capo Commissione Alleata di Controllo
presso Comando Alleato

Z i m e s

A seguito Sua richiesta verbale si comunica che l'esistenza di colpi completi da 75/13 è la seguente:

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|---|---|---|
| granate capacità | n° | 9.380 |
| modello 32 | " | 85.454 |
| a pallottole | " | 26.549 |
| totale | n° | 121.403 — |

Le suddette munizioni si trovano in parte presso i reparti e in parte presso i Depositi Artiglieria, e dislocate sia nel Nord che nel Sud dell'Isola.

Il quantitativo di 100.000 colpi richiesto, ripartito secondo le disponibilità potrà essere fatto affluire a Cagliari su avviso con anticipo di almeno 5 oppure 6 giorni.-

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. di S.M. Ugo Luigi)

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TRANSLATION 6-I-44 A.P.V.

~~ROYAL AIR FORCE~~

102/1/13/Op. Stop.

From the Military Headquarters of Sardinia

To the Intendance and message center,

Col. Simmons and headquarters Depot 10th Artillery Regiment.

The Allied Headquarters has requested 370 Automatic Carbines, Beretta, for subsequent distribution to Italian troops operating with the 5th Army. The consignment is authorized and I with arrangements to be made so that above-mentioned arms may be sent immediately to the depot of the 10th Artillery Regiment (Cagliari) for disposition by the Allied Headquarters stop. Insure stop.

Gen Magli (Signed)

Scarpa
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____ (do not use)

Date 27 APRIL 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence ~~PRIORITY~~ Security Classification SECRET

TO: ~~AAI OFF MEDIA~~

From: ~~ACG SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONDS~~ Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 110

REFERENCE YOUR QUERY ONE ZERO FIVE ONE DATED TWO THREE APRIL CLR NOW LOADING ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ROUNDS PAREN FOUR THREE TONS PAREN RIGHT ONE NINE MIKE ON CHATEAU LATER FOR DUKO HAS NO ESTIMATE BY LOCAL WATER TRANSPORT OFFICER THAT RAVENSPOINT COULD NOT ACCOMODATE ENTIRE CONSIGNMENT OF ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO TONS TO EAST TARE ABLE TWO RIGHT APRIL

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From: ~~AGS ARKANSAS SIGNAL SIMMONS~~ Originator's Reference Number AGS YORK 110

REFERENCE YOUR QUEEN ONE ZERO FIVE ONE DATED TWO THREE APRIL CEN NOW LOADING ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ROUNDS PAREN FOUR THREE FOUR PARTS EIGHT ONE NINE MIKE ON CHATEAU LATOUR FOR DUKO DUE TO ESTIMATE BY LOCAL WATER TRANSPORT OFFICER THAT RAVENSPOINT COULD NOT ACCOMODATE ENTIRE CONSIGNMENT OF ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO ROES TO MEET TAME ABLE TWO EIGHT APRIL

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Answers signal 3151 dated 23 April

Prepared by [redacted] (Name) [redacted] (Rank) [redacted] (Org)

Authenticated by [redacted] (Name) [redacted] (Rank) [redacted] (Org)

FILE: AMMUNITION

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ALLIED FORCE HQ SUBCOMMISSION SARDINIA
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____
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Date 25 APRIL 1944

Headquarters of origin ARMY SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence ROUTINE Security Classification SECRET

TO: PILOT RPT MMIA

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Telephone Extension Number AGS YORK 107

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE QUEEN ONE ZERO FIVE FOUR CLN HAVE NECESSARY DETAILS FOR ASSEMBLING AND LOADING ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO TONS ITEM TARE ITEM AMMUNITION WITHOUT DELAY ON ARRIVAL OF RAVENSPOINT

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To: FALCON APO NINE

From: SIDBOTHAM AT FALCON

Reference Number AGS TOMS 107

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE QUEEN ONE ZERO FIVE FOUR CLN HAVE NECESSARY DETAILS FOR ASSEMBLING AND LOADING ONE SEVEN ZERO ZERO TONS ITEM TARE ITEM AMMUNITION WITHOUT DELAY ON ARRIVAL OF RAVENSPOINT

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Cancelled cbl. 253100 Sped A 1054

Prepared by F. L. SIDBOTHAM (Name) COLONEL (Rank) INFANTRY (Org.)

Authenticated by F. L. SIDBOTHAM (Name) COLONEL (Rank) INFANTRY (Org)

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PRIORITY 252100 B SECRET

TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS INFO FREEDOM ALNAP ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC

FROM FILPOT

REFERENCE NUMBER THIS MESSAGE IS Q 1054

REFERENCE AFHQ CABLE AF 35848 OF 22 APRIL

BREAKDOWN ITALIAN AMMUNITION TO BE LOADED TO RAVENSPOINT CONTAINED IN ACC LETTER AQ/23 OF 6 APRIL COPY TO YOU . CONFIRM YOU HAVE NECESSARY DETAILS AND WILL LOAD WITHOUT DELAY ON ARRIVAL OF RAVENS-POINT. BEING SENT TO YOU BY AIR LETTER SERVICE NUMBER OF ABOVE QUOTED LETTER.

RESCRIPT VJT. 26 APRIL 1944

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Answered on 155 York 107 dated 25 April

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

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

25 April 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition for Italian Troops on Continent

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Information is requested as to location of the ammunition listed below which is to be shipped at early date to the continent for use of Italian troops.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 47/32 | complete rounds | 20,000 |
| | 75/18 | " " | 50,000 |
| | 105/28 | " " | 20,000 |
| Bombs: | 81 mm | Mortar | 100,000 |
| | Primary charges for 81 mm Mortar Bombs | | 42,000 |
| | Secondary " | " " " " | 240,000 |
| | Fuses | " " " " | 4,200 |
| | Hand Grenades | | 50,000 |
| | 9 mm pistol (BERETTA) | | 110,000 |

Weight 1682 tons previously stated to be 2,300 tons.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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Subject :- Italian Ammunition.

SECRET.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main HQ. (MMIA)
LEQUILE. (LECCE)
AQ/23

26 April 44.

Col. SIMMONS.
thru Allied Garrison Commander.
SARDINIA.

Copy to:- HQ AAI(Amn Ech)

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F. F. Norman
for
Major General.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

Rec'd : 17:00
27 April HV

No record of signal Q5I of 23 April
- Q7I0.2 of 24 April

probably Q1051 of 23 April

FILE: AMMUNITION

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SUBJECT:- Ammunition for C.I.L.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
AQ/23
6 Apr 44

HQ AAI (Adm Ech)

Copy to:- Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY
Col SIMMONS thru Allied Garrison Commander SARDINIA
MMIA LO with REAR HQ EIGHTH ARMY
" " ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission Adv HQ SALERNO

Further to MMIA signal AQ830 of 1 Apr, not to all addressees.

1. Stato Maggiore R Esercito have requested the transport from SARDINIA to the MAINLAND of the ammunition detailed in para 2 below. It is to complete twenty days units of fire for C.I.L. in combat, and is given in order of priority required:-

2.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 47/32 | complete rounds | 80,000 |
| | 75/18 | " " | 50,000 |
| | 105/28 | " " | 20,000 |
| Bombs | 81mm | Mortar | 100,000 |
| | Primary charges for 81mm Morter bombs | | 42,000 |
| | Secondary " " " " " | | 240,000 |
| | Fuses " " " " | | 42,000 as amended by MMIA AQ 921 of 9 Apr |
| | Hand Grenades | | 50,000 |
| | 9mm pistol (BERETTA) | | 110,000 |

Weight 1692 tons previously stated to be 2300 tons.

3. Both COMANDO SUPREMO and SMRE confirm that this ammunition is not available on the Mainland and that the need for it is urgent. So far none of the ammunition previously demanded from Italian stocks in SARDINIA has reached the Mainland owing to lack of transport ation from the Island.

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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2. | 47/32 | complete rounds | 80,000 |
| | 75/18 | " " | 50,000 |
| | 105/28 | " " | 20,000 |
| | Bombs 81mm Mortar | | 100,000 |
| | Primary charges for 81mm Mortar bombs | | 42,000 |
| | Secondary " " " " " | | 240,000 |
| | Fuses " " " " | | 42,000 as amended by MMIA AG 921 of 3 Apr. |
| | Hand Grenades | | 50,000 |
| | 9mm pistol (BERETTA) | | 110,000 |

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signed C.C. DUCHESNE

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.

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ROUTINE 24 NIL SECRET

FROM FILPOT

TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS FOR ACTION (AGS PLEASE PASS) FOR INFO TO

FREEDOM ADNAP ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC

CITE Q 1054

REF AFHQ CABLE F 35848 OF 22 APRIL. BREAKDOWN OF ITALIAN AMMUNITION TO BE LOADED TO RAVENSPOINT CONTAINED IN ACC LETTER AQ/23 OF 6 APRIL COPY TO YOU. CONFIRM THAT YOU HAVE NECESSARY DETAILS AND WILL LOAD WITHOUT DELAY ON ARRIVAL OF RAVENSPOINT. ANOTHER COPY OF ABOVE QUOTED LETTER IS BEING FORWARDED TO YOU BY ALS

RESCRIPT VJT 25 APRIL 1944

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WD Received F 35848 of 22 April 6

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PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL

TO: C in C AFHQ

AMMO CMA ITALIAN FOR DUKO IS SUBJECT REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE CITE FHTPN F DASH THREE THREE SIX ONE TWO OF 17 APRIL PD ABLE ABLE CHARLEY SLANT ABLE SUGAR CHARLEY HERE DOES NOT KNOW WHICH ITALIAN AMMO IS INDICATED PD ADNAP USTN DASH SIX ZERO NINE SLANT THREE ZERO ONE THREE SEVEN OF ONE THREE APRIL CITED YOUR MESSAGE NOT RECEIVED HERE PD REQUEST CLARIFICATION

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Copy received from G-4
25 April 1944

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY 231200 B SECRET

FROM AAI ADV ECH NAPLES

TO FREEDOM FOR ACTION RPTD SOS NATOUSA, PEN BASE, AAFSC/MTO,

FALCON FOR INFO

CITE USTN - 654

REFERENCE YOUR F 35848 CITE FHTPN DATED 22 APRIL.

G-4 THIS HEADQUARTERS CABLING FALCON PARTICULARS OF

THE 1700 TONS ITALIAN AMMO TO BE LOADED ON THE RAVERSPOINT

AT LEVY DESTINATION DUKO. AIR FORCE URGENTLY REQUESTS

1200 BELLY TANKS NOW AT LEVY BE LOADED ON THIS VESSEL

FOR DUKO DESTINATION.

RESCRIPT VJT. 23 APRIL 1944

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ROUTINE 23 NIL SECRET

FROM AAI TO ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA PLEASE PASS TO FALCON

FROM FILPOT TO FOR ACTION ARMY SUB COMMISSION ACC, FALCON FOR SIMMONS

FOR INFO ADNAP

CITE Q 1051

REF OUR 1046 OF 22 APRIL. COASTER RAVENSPOINT WILL CALL CAGLIARI TO LOAD APPROX 1700 TONS ITALIAN AMMUNITION. EXPECTED LEAVE NAPLES 25 APRIL FOR CAGLIARI AFTER DISCHARGE CORSICA. FALCON PLEASE BE SURE AMMO IS READY TO BE LOADED ON ARRIVAL RAVENSPOINT. AMMO URGENTLY REQUIRED. CONFIRM. AGREED TRANSPORTATION.

RESCRIPT 24 APRIL 1944 /rro

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answered on table upto no - 27 April

no record signal 1040 of 22 April 6/.

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PRIORITY 221420B SECRET

SIGNED CINC CITE FHTPN

TO ADMAP FOR DCOT FOR ACTION CG SOS NATOUSA AND FALCON FOR INFO

F. 35848

ITALIAN AMMUNITION REFER YOUR USTN-609/30137 APRIL 13 AND OUR F-33612 APRIL 17 CABLE FROM FALCON ADVISES THAT ACC/ASC IN SARDINIA DOES NOT KNOW WHICH ITALIAN AMMO IS INDICATED. REQUEST CLARIFICATION AND FULL PARTICULARS OF THE 1700 TONS REQUIRED SO LEVY CAN LOAD THE RAVENSPOINT ACCORDINGLY

/rro RESCRIPT 23 APRIL 1944

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no record signal USTN-609/30137 of April 13 6/

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/rro RESCRIPT 18 APRIL 1944

PRIORITY 1717568 SECRET

SIGNED CINC FHTPN

TO ADNAP FOR ACTION CG SOS NATCUSA, CO NORBS, FLACON FOR CONIME AND

CG PBS FOR INFORMATION

F 33612

AMMUNITION REFER YOUR USTN-609/30137 OF 13 APRIL. AFTER DISCHARGE

IN FANG COASTER RAVERSPOINT PROCEEDS TO LEVY TO LOAD 1700 TONS

ITALIAN AMMO FOR DUKO. PSTO ISSUING SAILING INSTRUCTIONS ACCORDINGLY

Mail (1)
Is this ammo
with it
(5)
If so

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no record signal USTN-609/30137 of 13 April 44.

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MESSAGE FORM.

To : FLAMBO rptd: Main Eighth Army: Rear Eighth Army for MMIA LO
FATIMA for OFFENHAUER: FATIMA REAR for QUINSMITH
FALCON for SIMMONS.

From: MMIA. AQ 921 8 2241B

CONFIDENTIAL (*) Ref MMIA letter AQ/23 dated 6 April para 2 (*) Subject is ammunition for CIL (*) Against fuses for 81 mm mortar bombs delete four thousand two hundred and substitute forty two thousand

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except wireless.

This message must be sent IN CIPHER if liable to interception.

Priority

IMPORTANT.

Sgd _____

Sgd B Glavenhaunt Maj

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Rec'd 1800
11 April 44
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RESCRIPT 9 APRIL 1944

PRIORITY 082211B CONFIDENTIAL

FROM MMIA TO FLAMBO RPT MAIN 8th ARMY REAR 8th ARMY FOR MMIA TO FATIMA
FOR OFFENHAUER FATIMA REARFOR QUINSMITH FALCON FOR SIMMONS CITE AQ 921

THIS IS A PARAPHRASE

AMMUNITION FOR CIL IS SUBJECT.
REFERENCE PARA 2 BC MMIA LETTER AQ/23 DATED APRIL 6.
DELETE 4,200 AND SUBSTITUTE 42,000 AGAINST FUZES FOR 81 MM MORTAR BOMBS

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no record letter AQ/23 dated April 6 4

SUBJECT: Ammunition for C.I.L.

SECRET

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
AQ/23.
6 Apr 44.

H.Q. AAI (ADM ECH)

Copy to: Main HQ Eighth Army.
Col. SIMMONS thru Allied Garrison Commander, SARDINIA.
MMIA LO with Rear HQ Eighth Army.
MMIA LO with HQ Allied Control Commission.
Army Sub Commission, Adv HQ SALERNO.

Further to MMIA signal AQ 880 dated 1 Apr, not to all addresses.

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2.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 47/32 | complete rounds | 80,000 | 261. |
| | 75/18 | " " | 50,000 | 416.63 |
| | 105/28 | " " | 20,000 | 480. |
| Bombs: | 81 mm | Mortar | 100,000 | 433.30 |
| | Primary charges for 81 mm Mortar Bombs | | 42,000 | 1.84 |
| | Secondary " " " " " | | 240,000 | 6.07 |
| | Fuses " " " " | | 4,200 | 17.85 |
| | Hand Grenades | | 50,000 | 1.73 |
| | 9 mm pistol (BERETTA) | | 110,000 | |

11.6 42,000

Weight 1682 tons previously stated to be 2,300 tons.

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5. Your letter, 1022/8/Q1 dated 28 Mar has been received and

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2.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 47/32 | complete rounds | 60,000 |
| | 75/18 | " " | 50,000 |
| | 105/28 | " " | 20,000 |
| Bombs: | 81 mm | Mortar | 100,000 |
| | Primary charges for 81 mm Mortar Bombs | | 42,000 |
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Brig.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

Rec'd 12 April 44
10.00
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Ref copy of letter
1022/8/Q1 dated 27 March
Non-record cable AG 580 dated 1 Apr 44 Ammunition

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As at 1 April 44

Appendix D

## STATE OF ARM ON HAND IN UNITS (C in CIL)

### WEAPONS

| TYPE | TOTAL No IN POSSESSION IN NEW ZEALAND excl CIL | ARM ON HAND IN UNITS ON MAINLAND | ARM ON HAND IN UNITS IN SOUTH PACIFIC | TOTAL IN HANDS OF UNITS | RPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 100/22 or 100/17 | 240 | 24310 | 53517 | 78327 | 326 |
| 75/27 | 120 | 51300 | 97103 | 148403 | 1237 |
| 47/32 | 400 | 5095 | 103506 | 108601 | 272 |
| 20 mm | 80 | 575877 | 259051 | 834928 | 10437 |
| 81 mm mortar | 420 | 45053 | 88084 | 133137 | 317 |
| MMG Br | 1440 | 7177821 | 14832976 | 22010797 | 15285 |
| MMG Fiat | 40 | 1536696 | 1099596 | 2636292 | 65907 |
| LMG | 2380 | 4723990 | 11992762 | 16716752 | 7024 |
| Aut Rifle | 3900 | 99000 | 4439137 | 4538137 | 1164 |
| Rifle | 335533 | 6106514 | 18964558 | 25071072 | 74 |
| Pistols | 19897 | 197180 | 777800 | 974980 | 49 |
| 45 mm morter | - | 92934 | 129988 | 222922 | |
| 75/13 | - | - | 6414 | 6414 | ALL AVAILABLE TO CIL |
| 75/18 | - | - | 27863 | 27863 | |
| 105/28 | - | 2142 | 4198 | 6340 | |

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| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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| LMG | 2380 | 4723990 | 11992762 | 16716752 | 7024 |
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| Pistols | 19897 | 197180 | 777800 | 974980 | 49 |
| 45 mm mortar | - | 92934 | 129988 | 222922 | |
| 75/13 | - | - | 6414 | 6414 | ALL AVAILABLE TO CIL |
| 75/18 | - | - | 27863 | 27863 | |
| 105/28 | - | 2142 | 4198 | 6340 | |

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| TYPE OF WEAPON | No of WEAPONS | AVAILABLE from ITEM IN STOCKS Col 10 App B(a) | ON HAND IN, IN TRANSIT FOR OR ON ORDER FOR OIL as at 22 Mar 44. | TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR OIL IN COL Col 3 + 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| PISTOLS | 1400 | - | 289000 | 289000 |
| RIFLES | 10160 | - | 4750000 | 4750000 |
| AUTO RIFLES | 3616 | - | 314,9000 | 314,9000 |
| LMG | 536 | - | 504,22,0 | 504,22,0 |
| HMG | 181 | - | 1,500000 | 1,600000 |
| 81 mm mortar | 74 | - | 200000 | 200000 |
| 50 mm D.P. | 16 | 372720 | 231869 | 604,589 |
| 47/32 guns | 45 | - | 111,351 | 111,351 |
| 75/27 " | 8 | 320954 | - | 320954 |
| 100/22 or 100/17 | 20 | 6692 | 60000 | 66692 |
| 4" mortar | 9 | 609867 | | 609867 |
| 75/13 | 20 | 121500 | 20500 | 142000 |
| 75/18 | 16 | 113,06 | 89000 | 234,06 |
| 105/28 | 12 | 48768 | 38000 | 86768 |

(a) 45 mm mortar downwards does not appear in Col 10 Appendix 'B'

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Appendix 'C'

- AVAILABILITY OF AVN

| ON HAND IN, IN TRANSIT FOR OR ON ORDER FOR OIL as at 22 Mar 44 | TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR OIL IN CCMBT Col 3 + 4 | RPG |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 269000 | 289000 | 237 |
| 4750000 | 4750000 | 463 |
| 314.9000 | 314.9000 | 671 |
| 504.2240 | 504.2240 | 9107 |
| 4600000 | 4600000 | 25114 |
| 200000 | 200000 | 2702 |
| 231889 | [illegible] | 37802 |
| 114594 | [illegible] | 3141 |
| - | 52954 | 40119 |
| 60000 | 66592 | 3335 |
| - | 609867 | 67763 |
| 20500 | 142000 | 7100 |
| 68000 | 201406 | 12583 |
| 30000 | 86768 | 7230 |

does not appear in Col 10 Appendix 'B'

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AMMUNITION STATE - DEPOTS - as at 1 Apr

| WEAPONS Type | Total No in Italian Army excl C.I.L. | AMM on Mainland in Depots | AMM in SARDINIA in Depots (a) | Total AMM in Depots | Rounds per gun available | Recommended unit of fire per weapon | Recommended Reserve units of (b) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | | | | Col 3 + 4 | Col 5÷Col2 | | Col 2 x |
| 100/22 or) 100/17) | 240 | 9,605 | 237,087 | 246,692 | 1,028 | 100 | |
| 75/27 | 120 | 78,182 | 362,772 | 440,954 | 3,675 | 100 | |
| 47/32 | 400 | – | 103,196 | 103,196 | 258 | 100 | |
| 20 mm | 80 | 300,000 | 272,720 | 572,720 | 7,159 | 250 | |
| MMG Br | 1,440 | (c)2,370,000 | 6,687,574 | 9,057,574 | 6,290 | 1,000 | 14, |
| " Fiat | 40 | (d)2,[illegible]0,000 | 5,[illegible]7,177 | 8,1[illegible]7,177 | 202,680 | 1,000 | |
| LMG | 2,380 | 1,600,516 | 17,577,549 | 19,177,065 | 8,058 | 1,300 | 30, |
| Aut Rifle | 3,900 | 52,000 | 23,724 | 75,724 | 19 | 200 | 7, |
| Rifle 3v/3 89 ~~335,555~~ | | 900,000 | 29,074,100 | 29,974,100 | 88 | 50 | 167, |
| Pistols | 19,897 | 9,000 | 563,238 | 572,238 | 28 | 10 | 1, |

Notes:-

(a) From these totals have been subtracted rounds on order from SARDINIA for C.I.L.
(b) Reserve includes one unit of fire for trg which leaves nine days actual reserve
(c) Ammn which can be used in both BREDA and FIAT MGs.
(d) Ammn which can be used only in FIAT MGs of which there is one to every 38 in Ita
(e) C.I.L. only has BREDA MGs.

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APPENDIX 'B'

AMMUNITION STATE - DEPOTS - as at 1 Apr 44

| n TIA in ts (a) | Total AMN in Depots | Rounds per gun available | Recommended unit of fire per weapon | Recommended Reserve 10 units of fire (b) | Balance Needed to bring Int See up to reqd Reserve | Balance available for CIL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | Col 3 + 4 | Col 5÷Col2 | | Col 2 x Col7:10 | Col 8 - Col 5 | Col 5 - Col 8 |
| 237,087 | 246,692 | 1,028 | 100 | 240,000 | - | 6,692 |
| 362,772 | 440,954 | 3,675 | 100 | 120,000 | - | 320,954 |
| 103,196 | 103,196 | 258 | 100 | 400,000 | 296,804 | None |
| 272,720 | 572,720 | 7,159 | 250 | 200,000 | - | 372,720 |
| 140,055 | 144,055 | [illegible] | 100 | 420,000 | 275,945 | None |
| 687,574 | 9,937,574 | 6,250 | 1,000 | 14,400,000 | 5,342,426 | None |
| 7,177 | 8,107,177 | 202,680 | 1,000 | 400,000 | - | NOT Requ(e) |
| 577,549 | 19,177,065 | 8,058 | 1,300 | 30,940,000 | 11,762,935 | None |
| 23,724 | 75,724 | 19 | 200 | 7,800,000 | 7,724,276 | None |
| 074,100 | 29,974,100 | 88 | 50 | 167,766,500 | 138,692,400 | None |
| 563,238 | 572,238 | 28 | 10 | 1,990,000 | 1,417,762 | None |

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As at 1 April 44

ITALIAN ARMY

DISTRIBUTION OF ARMS

| | | Strength | Total Strength | Pistols | Rifles | Automatic Rifles | L M G | M M G | 81 mm Mortars |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 1. | COMBAT DIVISION (CIL) | | 14100 | 1400 | 10160 | 3616 | 536 | 181 | 74 |
| 2. | INTERNAL SECURITY FORCE | | | | | | | | |
| | 4 Corps HQs | 300 | 1200 | 80 | 1120 | | | | |
| | 10 Divisions | 10000 | 100000 | 4200 | 83200 | 3900 | 2380 | 1480 | 420 |
| | | | 115 00 | 5600 | 9[illegible]80 | 7516 | 7716 | 1661 | 494 |
| 3. | UNITS EMPLOYED or TO BE EMPLOYED BY ALLIES | | 180000 | 12000 | 168000 | | | | |
| 4. | ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION | | 45370 | 3058 | 42312 | | | | |
| 5. | OCRR and RCF (at present) | | 31816 | 559 | 31257 | | | | |
| | TOTAL ITALIAN ARMY | | ~~437486~~ 372980 | 21297 | 336549 | 7516 | 7716 | 1661 | 494 |
| | TOTAL ITALIAN ARMY LESS C.I.L. | | ~~418686~~ 358886 | 19897 | ~~345533~~ 326389 | 3900 | 2380 | 1480 | 420 |

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ITALIAN ARMY

DISTRIBUTION OF ARMS

Appendix A

| Strength | Pistols | Rifles | Automatic Rifles | L M G | M M G | 81 mm Mortars | 20 mm A.A. | 47/32 guns | 75/27 guns | 100/22 or 100/17 | 45 mm Mortars | 75/13 guns | 75/18 guns | 105/28 guns | Flame Throwers |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
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| 100000 | 4200 | 83200 | 3900 | 2380 | 1180 | 420 | 80 | 400 | 120 | 240 | | | | | |
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HQ., AAI (Adm Ech)
CMF
24 Apl 1944

Col. Simmons,
Army Sub Commission ACC

Herewith copy of the letter referred to in our message No Q 1054.

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

11 April 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Ammunition in Sardinia

TO : Commander, Army Sub-commission, A.C.C., LEQUILE

1. Reference letter 4 April 1944 calling attention to discrepancy between SMRE estimate and that submitted by this office, you are advised that the latter list is in error and should be corrected in accordance with revised list, hereto attached.

2. Your list, which was inclosed in letter referred to above, is in process of being checked and will be completed and forwarded at early date.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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## AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA - WANTED FOR COMBAT CIV

| Type | Number Required | Weight | Number in Sardinia |
|---|---|---|---|
| Moschetti automatici | 4,300,000 | 107 tons | 4.462.861 |
| obici da 75/18 | 60,400 | 399 | 68.979 |
| cannoni da 47/32 | 230,000 | 670 | 286.002 |
| mortai da 81 | 300,000 | 1,646 | 328.139 |
| obici da 75/13 | 100,000 | 660 | 121.508 |
| cannoni da 100/22 | 80,000 | 1,090 | 92.509 |
| cannoni da 105/28 | 30,000 | 504 | 49.402 |
| cannoni da 75/27 | 200,000 | 1,323 | 459.875 |
| mitragliere da 20 | 400,000 | 145 | 471.478 |
| fucili mitragliatori | 10,000,000 | 300 | 36.758.112 |
| mitragliatrici cal 8 | 10,000,000 | 375 | 32.788.186 (1) |
| | | 7,219 | 3.594.628 (2) |

(1) per mitragliatrice Fiat 35e
Breda 37

(2) per mitragliatrice St. Etienne

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ALLIED COMMISSION OF SARDINIA
CUTAGON MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No_____
(For CMA use)

Date 11 APRIL 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

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TO: MMIA FOR DUCHESNE

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 87

REFERENCE AMOUNT ITALIAN AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA CMA USE SUGAR MIKE ROGER EASY FIGURES PD LETTER IN MAIL

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REFERENCE AMOUNT ITALIAN AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA CMA USE SUGAR MIKE ROGER EASY FIGURES PD LETTER IN MAIL

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Prepared by F. L. SIMMONS (name), COLONEL (rank), INFANTRY (arm)

Authenticated by J. P. DOYLE (name), COLONEL (rank), A.C. (arm)

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FROM MMIA

TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS FLAMBO PLEASE PASS

SD 513

THIS IS A PARAPHRASE

PIDGLEY HAS LETTER REFERRING, WHICH ARE OFFICIAL, FIGURES FURNISHED BY
BY YOU ORD SMRE ON AMMUNITION, WIRE QUICKLY

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
SD/1/2/1.3
4 Apr 44

Col Simmons
Sardinia

1. This letter is being sent by mail, and also by hand thru Col Pidsley in order that it reach you somehow.

2. The question of the amount of ammunition available for Italian weapons is very important. It seems that most of the Italian ammunition is in Sardinia, and we asked SMRE to give us a list, showing what was in magazines and what was in the hands of troops. A copy of their list, which they claim to be up to date, is attached. A comparison of this list with the quantities shown on the list you gave the Brigadier on his recent visit shows some astounding differences. For instance, for the automatic rifle you showed about 12 million, while SMRE shows 23 thousand in magazines and 4 million in the hands of troops. This particular type of ammunition is very important as SMRE is asking for Allied ammunition for the automatic rifles.

3. Will you please have an investigation made and advise us the correct figures for all types of ammunition shown on the attached list. Of course, it is most important that the amount shown in magazines be fairly accurate. We realize that the amounts in the hands of troops will not be accurate, but we need a fair approximation for small arms and an excellent approximation for the artillery ammunition.

4. As the future use of the Italian Army in combat depends on the ammunition available, this information is most important.

5. Your prompt attention will be appreciated with reply by the most expeditious means.

Brigadier.
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

Rec'd 12:00
7 April 44
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FILE: AMMUNITION

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Services Office - Artilery Section 2 April 44

| DENOMINAZIONE DEL MATERIALE | | IN SARDEGNA | |
|---|---|---|---|
| M U N I Z I O N A M E N T O | | nei Magazzini | in Distribuzione |
| Cartucce per pistola "Beretta" cal.9 | | 673.238 | 777.800 |
| " " " " " 7.65 | | 8.426 | 20.470 |
| " " fucili e moschetti ca.6.5 | | 29.074.100 | 18.964.558 |
| " " moschetto autom. "Beretta" | | 23.724 | 4.439.137 |
| " " fucile mitr. 30 cal. 6.5 | | 17.577.549 | 11.992.762 |
| " " " moschetti cal.7,35 | | 1.954.843 | 170.317 |
| " " mitra cal.8 s.l.i. | | 6.687.574 | 14.832.976 |
| " " " " 8 c.l.i. | | 5.207.177 | 1.099.596 |
| " " pistola tedesca "Parabellum" | | - | - |
| Bombe per mortaio da 45 | | 158.945 | 129.988 |
| " " " " 81 | | 240.055 | 88.084 |
| Colpi da ~~7~~/32 | | 183.196 | 103.506 |
| Bombe a mano | | 552.517 | 970.291 |
| Colpi per mitragliera da 20 m/m | | 272.720 | 259.051 |
| " " " " 20 " | Isotta Frasch. | - | - |
| " " " " 20 " | Oerlikon | - | 97.514 |
| " " pezzi da 65/17 | | 103.107 | 7.089 |
| " " " " 75/13 | | 115.094 | 6.414 |
| " " " " 75/18 | | 84.679 | 27.863 |
| " " " " 75/27-911 | | 362.772 | 97.103 |
| " " " " 75/27 C.K. | | 26.681 | 3.256 |
| " " " " 90/53 c.a. | | 31.501 | 27.897 |
| " " " " 90/53 autocannoni | | 1.269 | 599 |
| " " " " 100/17 | | 178.516 | 19.586 |
| " " " " 100/22 | | 58.571 | 33.931 |
| " " " " 105/14 | | 13.343 | 7.265 |
| " " " " 105/28 | | 41.581 | 4.198 |
| " " " " 105/32 | | 9.658 | 1.800 |
| " " " " 149/12 | | 10.752 | 17.234 |
| " " " " 149/13 | | 11.962 | 3.592 |
| " " " " 149/19 | | 9.550 | 5.400 |
| " " " " 149/35 | | 6.097 | 4.983 |
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| cannoni da 75/27 | 200,000 | 1,323 | 496,203 |
| mitragliere da 20 | 400,000 | 145 | 842,716 |
| fucili mitragliatori | 10,000,000 | 300 | 31,331,283 |
| mitragliatrici cl 8 | 10,000,000 | 375 | 30,814,616 |
| | | 7,219 | |

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FROM: No. 328 Wing, R.A.F.

TO : HQ Allied Garrison.

DATE: 24th February, 1944.

REF; 328W/S.517/1/Arm.

German Bombs, S.D.B.

Can you state whether there are any stocks of the above available in this island and if so, where they are located.

2. This information is urgently required for Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force.

for
Group Captain, Commanding
No. 328 Wing - R.A.F.

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File: Munition

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TO: MAJOR MARTIN 2 March 1944

FROM: A.E. ZEGARELLI

SUBJECT: Location, weight, and number of German bombs, type S.D., located in Sardinia.

| LOCATION | Weight in Kilos | Number of Bombs |
|---|---|---|
| Serrenti | 1000 | 85 |
| | 500 | 56 |
| | 250 | 27 |
| Decimo | 500 | 87 |
| | 250 | 25 |
| | 50 | 76 |
| Ponte Murone | 500 | 87 |
| | 250 | 546 |
| | 50 | 850 |
| | 70 | 930 |
| Venafiorita | 250 | 52 |
| Chilivini | 250 | 130 |
| | 50 | 100 |
| | 500 | 40 |

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TRANSLATION JVT

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

NO. 3092/1/13/op. A.P.O. 50 6 March 1944

SUBJECT : 47/32 ammunition

TO : MILITARY INTENDENZA OF SARDINIA
Artillery Direction MACOMER

FOR INFORMATION: ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN SARDINIA
Col. Simmons' Office ELMAS

The Allied Headquarters (Col.Simmons) has at its disposition for ultimate use, the 2,000 rounds of 47/32 ammunition now at the Decimo Staging Center (contonment of the Allied Headquarters).

You are kindly requested to effect the immediate withdrawal of this ammunition and place it in a wherehouse nearer to Cagliari.

by order
THE COLONEL CHIEF OF STAFF
Gavino Ledda /t/
Lieut. Col. Costantino /s/

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FILE: AMMUNITION

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Traduzione

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA(XIII C.A.)
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Operazioni
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N° 3092/1/13 /op. di prot. P.M. 50 li, 6 marzo 1944

O G G E T T O: munizioni da 47/32.-

ALL'INTENDENZA MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA — MACOMER
- Direzione di Artiglieria -

e,per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO TRUPPE ALLEATE IN SARDEGNA — BIMAS
- Ufficio del Col.Simmons -

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Avendo il Comando Alleato(Col.Simmons) dati disponibili per ulteriore impiego i 2000 colpi da 47/32 attualmente presso il Comando Tappa Decimo(accantonamenti del Comando Alleato),pregasi disporne l'immediato ritiro ed accantonamento presso un magazzino viciniore a Cagliari.

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AL COMANDO TRUPPE ALLEATE IN SARDEGNA
- Ufficio del Col.Simmons -

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Assicurare.-

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d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO CAPO DI S.M.
- Gavino Ledda -

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GENERAL STAFF OF THE ROYAL ARMY
Service Office - Ordnance Section

No. 4/86/Serv. A.P.O. 151, 9 January 1944

To: Military Headquarters of Sardinia A.P.O. 50 and for information

To: Liaison Office with HQ No 2 District, BARI

In reply to cable No. 163/op. dated 6 January 1944

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The 4,000 rds. of 47/32, as known to your Headquarters, are for the HQ No. 2 District which had asked for them. Therefore, in case the Allies should want to provide for their movement to the continent, the place of arrival is BRINDISI.

You are requested to furnish information regarding the transportation directly to the Liaison Office with the HQ No. 2 District in BARI.

The Asst. Chief of Staff
f/to A. Mariotti

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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XLII C. A.)
Staff - Operations Office

No 632/1/13 op. A.P.O. 59, 15 January 1944

To: Headquarters Allied Troops in Sardinia
(Office of Colonel Simmons), ELMAS

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Pursuant to verbal communications made to Captain Vitali and with reference to verbal request from your Headquarters.

For the Commanding General
The Chief of Staff
Col. G. Ledda

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Ledda (Signed)

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Artiglieria

M. 4/86/Serv. di prot. P.M. 151, li 9 gennaio 1944.-

OGGETTO : Cartocci da 47/32 ceduti agli Alleati.

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA = P.M. 50

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO CON H Q
N° 2 DISTRICT = B A R I

Risponde marconigramma n° 163/Op. in data 5 c.m.

I 1.000 colpi da 47/32, come è noto a codesto Comando, sono per il Comando H Q n° 2 District che li aveva richiesti. Pertanto, ove gli Alleati volessero provvedere al loro trasporto in continente, il luogo di arrivo è Brindisi.

Si prega voler fornire direttamente notizie in merito al trasporto all'Ufficio Collegamento con H Q n° 2 District di Bari.

IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
f/to A.Mariotti

FM/rc.

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
Stato Maggiore = Ufficio Operazioni

n° 632/1/13 op.di prot. P.M.90, li, 15 gennaio 1944-

AL COMANDO TRUPPE ALLEATE IN SARDEGNA
(Ufficio del Col. Simmons)

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____ (do not use) Date 17 JANUARY 1944

Headquarters of Origin LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

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To: FATIMA FOR MACFARLANE INFORMATION MMIA CMA FILPOT

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AMS YOKE 13

FOUR THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AMLE PETER HELD FOR TRANSPORT TO MAINLAND ON ORDERS ITALIAN HIGH COMMAND BY REQUEST DISTOO SINCE TWENTY FIVE NOVEMBER PD REQUEST EARLY INSTRUCTIONS AS TO DISPOSITION

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Prepared by F. L. SIMMONS COLONEL INFANTRY
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MARCONIGRAMMA N.2027/cifra

N.713 clt = DA S.M.R.E. AT COMILIT SARDEGNA ALT

RIFERIMENTO PRECEDENTE FOGLIO 560/A DATA 2 CORRENTE ET TELE CODESTO COMANDO 18288/OP DATA 25 NOVEMBRE PREGASI COMUNICARE SE QUATTROMILA COLPI 47/32 SONO STATI RITIRATI ALT

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DA COMILIT SARDEGNA
AT SUPERESERCITO - Servizi -

Riferimento n.560/A data 2 dicembre et telo 713 data 12 corrente alt 4000 colpi 47/32 trovansi tuttora presso tappe Decimo ma sono già stati presi in consegna da comando americano che habet rilasciato ricevuta alt

Comiltisardegna

Ii, I4 Dicembre I943.

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
(XIII C.A.)
S.M. - Ufficio Operazioni

N. 16754/"/21 op. di prot. P.M.50, li 31 - 12 - 1943.

OGGETTO: Colpi perforenti da 47/32.

AL COMANDO ALLEATO

E L M A S

PROMEMORIA PER IL CAPITANO VITALI

Come da richiesta verbale, si trasmette copia del carteggio intercorso fra questo Comando e lo Stato Maggiore R.Esercito in merito ai 4000 colpi perforenti da 47/32 esistenti a Decimo.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. di S.M. G. Ledda)

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Copia

STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO
Ufficio Servizi - Sez. Artiglieria

N. 560/a di prot. P.M.I5I, li 2 dicembre I943

ALLA DIREZIONE SUPERIORE TRASPORTI SEDE

e, per conoscenza:

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA P.M.50
(rif.telecifrato I8288/OP del I5.II.I943)

OGGETTO: cartocci granata da 47/32 ceduti agli alleati.

Presso l'aeroporto di Decimo si trovano pronti per il carico 4000 cartocci granata da 47/32. Al ritiro di tali cartocci avrebbe dovuto provvedere a mezzo aereo l'H.Q. District il quale,però, a mezzo dell'Ufficio Collegamento di Bari ha chiesto il diretto intervento di questo Stato Maggiore, qualora il reparto interessato non dovesse provvedere al ritiro delle munizioni entro il 5 o 6 corrente.

Si prega codesta direzione di voler predisporre tale servizio.

Il Comando Militare della Sardegna, a mezzo telescritto, è pregato compiacersi informare a suo tempo questo Stato Maggiore se le munizioni di cui trattasi sono state ritirate o meno nel limite di tempo fissato.

Il trasporto via aerea dovrebbe fare scalo a Brindisi.Peso totale delle munizioni circa Q.li I24.-

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d'ordine
IL COLONNELLO DI S.M. 3132
CAPO UFFICIO SERVIZI
F.to A. Quercia

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N. 953/CIF

MARCONIGRAMMA PA

N.511 DI PROT.

DA S.M.R.E. AT COMILIT SARDEGNA

RIFERIMENTO I4708/OP ALT POICHE' 4000 COLPI PERFORANTI SONO STATI CEDUTI AT ALLEATI SARANNO RITIRATI AT MEZZO AEREO ALLEATO ALT

SUPERESERCITO I92024II.

Giunto alle ore 7,55 del 25/II

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MARCONIGRAMMA

M.I4708/20/24/op.alt

DA COMILIT SARDEGNA
AT SUPERESERCITO

.....sono pronti da domani presso aereoporto Decimo alt Si rappresenta che presso stesso aereoporto sono in attesa carico anche 4000 colpi perforanti da 47 di cui at tele n.431/A data I2 corrente di codesto Superesercito alt

Comilit Sardegna

li, 23 Novembre 1943, ore I8,45.

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ALLOCATION FORM
QUARTERMASTER - CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - A.F.H.Q.

To :

Ref : QM(CEMEC) 232

Date : 2 Feb 44.

Headquarters,
Allied Garrison of Sardinia,
A.P.O. 520.

Captured Enemy Equipment

| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION | CONDITION | LOCATION | ALLOCATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 31706 rds. | 88 mm Anti Aircraft Ammunition German. | Serviceable | In hands of Italian Army in Sardinia. | To :- Joint Re-armament Committee NATOUSA for French Army, who will make own arrangements for collection and shipment and will observe all existing theatre orders regarding movement of enemy ammunition. |

NOTE : The above ammunition was reported by Headquarters Allied Garrison of Sardinia, A.P.O. 520 in inclosure # 4 to their letter F.I. of 2 Jan 44.

AUTHORITY :

A.C. of S. G-3 minute 6 dated 31 Jan 44.

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Headquarters, Allied Garrison of Sardinia APO. 520
Joint Re-armament Committee NATOUSA.
French Army, thru J.R.C. NATOUSA.
File.

E.B. WADSWORTH, Major, Q.M.C.,
Administrative Officer, QM Section,
for the CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, (CEMEC), AFHQ.

File - PSE/MA/1/44/SM - 8PS/139
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ALLIED GARRISON OF SUDANIA
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No._____ Date 10 JANUARY 20..
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Headquarters of Origin LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence FLASH Security Classification SECRET

To: SUBCOMM AT KAKIR

INFO SUBCOMM AT KAKIR

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Reference Number ACS YOKE 6

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THOUSAND ROUNDS FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO AMMUNITION IN DEPOT FD
TWO FOUR THOUSAND FROZEN CMA EARMARKED FOR ABLE FOX HOT QUEEN

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Prepared by R. L. STEVENS COLONEL INFANTRY
(Name) (Rank) (Org.)

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SIMMONS AT FASLE

FROM FAKIR

IDENTITY SENDER CABLE NUMBER TWO SEVEN DATED EIGHT JAN MAJOR DASH GENERAL HOT RPT HOT STRONGE

WFSC. AGS

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IDENTITY SENDER CABLE NUMBER TWO SEVEN DATED EIGHT JAN MAJOR DASH

GENERAL HQT RPT HQT STRONGE

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ALLIED COMMISSION OF SARDINIA
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg. Center No _____ (do not use) Date 9 JANUARY 1944

Headquarters of Origin LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence PRIORITY Security Classification SECRET

To: FAIR

From SIMONS AT FAIR Originator's Reference Number ACS YORK 5

REFERENCE CABLE NINTH JANUARY REQUESTING INFORMATION ON AMMUNITION FOR FOUR SEVEN PLANT THREE TWO ABLE PLANT TAPE AIRD GUNS CBA IDENTITY OF SERIES REQUIRED BEFORE REPLY

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REFERENCE CABLE SEVEN JANUARY REQUESTING INFORMATION ON AMMUNITION FOR FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO ABLE SLANT TARE KING GUNS ONA IDENTITY OF SENDER REQUIRED BEFORE REPLY

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FROM JJCW (Corsica)

TO JJEM (Sardinia)

47/52 AFK

INFORMATION REQUIRED AS TO QUANTITES FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO ABLE SLANT TARE KING AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA IN ORDER THAT FAIR PROPORTION THIS TYPE AMMUNITION MAY BE ALLOTTED TO FRENCH FOR DEFENCE OF CORSICA PD PLEASE INFORM URGENTLY APPROX ROGER PETER GEORGE FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO ABLE SLANT TARE KING AMMUNITION HELD IN SARDINIA PD ITALIAN FORCES AUTHORIZED TO EVACUATE FURTHER ONE SEVEN GUNS TO SARDINIA MAKING TOTAL OF FIVE ONE BUT MANY UNSERVICABLE PD

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5 MAR 1944

MEMO : TO COLONEL SIMMONS

SUBJECT : AMMUNITION PER FUCILE AUTOMATICO " BERETTA " CAL. 9

Colonel Capello has personally seen the above type ammunition in a warehouse at Corte - Corsica -. He estimates that there is not more than one (2ton) truckload. He believes the Italian Authorities can take care of the matter of transporting the ammunition without a request by us for " a certain number of motor vehicles ".

Colonel Capello believes that the office initiating the request should not have made the request at all.

For your information :

1- This type ammunition is packed in a box approximately 40 cm. per 30 per 20 - 2000 cartridges in a box - weight 22 Kg. each box.

2- Colonel Capello has received a letter of inquiry from a higher Headquarters to the effect that inquiry had been made by an Allied Headquarters ( which one was not apparent ) about 12.000.000 rounds of the above type ammunition. ( The exact figure according to the files in your office is 12.423.000 as of 20 December 1943 ).

The person who sent the figure apparently did not notice that it was listed under a heading of " requirements " and that actually there was a deficiency of some 8.000.000 of the total requirements leaving 4.000.000 odd on hand. The exact amount on hand in Sardinia as of 20 February 1944 is 4.529.301, which is slightly more than the balance indicated on the report in your files as of 20 December.

The difference was gained from troops coming to Sardinia from Corsica.

3- The Italians have been experimenting wich the ammunition used in the British Sten gun. Marking on cartridge WRA 9 mm. They claim this ammunition performs satisfactorily in their Beretta rifle and is a possible source for future supply. ( See par 209 JE Handbook on Italian Military Forces )

Jerome Kesoner
Lt. Colonel, Infantry
3 March 1944

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Inter-Office Communication Slips

Date 17 Feb.

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|---|---|---|
| CG. | CG. | |
| CHIEF OF STAFF | CHIEF OF STAFF | |
| ADJ. GENERAL | ADJ. GENERAL | |
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| G - 2 | G - 2 | |
| G - 3 | G - 3 | |
| G - 4 | G - 4 | |
| SIG. OFF | SIG. OFF. | |
| SURGEON | SURGEON | |
| ENGINEER | ENGINEER | |
| TRANSPORTATION | TRANSPORTATION | |
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| AIR DEF. OFF. | AIR DEF. OFF. | |
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| ACCOLFSC | ACCOLFSC | |
| PROV. MARSHAL | PROV. MARSHAL | |
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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA
(XIII Army Corps)
[redacted]

14 February 1944

SUBJECT: Transporting of Italian Ammunition from Corsica.

TO : Allied Headquarters, Elmas.
and for information:
Italian Forces Headquarters, Corsica.
Military Interdance of Sardinia, Macomer.

1) - The Army Staff has requested this Hqs for the urgent transporting to the Italian mainland of a quantity of ammunition for the cal.9 mm. Beretà automatic rifle to be used by the Italian units which are to operate at the side of the Allied Forces.

2) - This Hqs has already directed that all ammunition of the above description in Sardinia be recovered. In order to meet the quantity requested by the Army Staff, the 167.032 cartridges left behind by the Italian troops in Corsica are also needed; to which end General STRONGE has already given authorization for the transporting of the above ammunition.

3) - Since the transporting has not been effected as yet, owing to the shortage of motor vehicles, at present being used in road repair works, your Hqs is kindly requested to advise the Allied Hqs of Corsica that a certain number of motor vehicles needed for the above transporting be placed at the disposal of the Italian Hqs.

4) - The Italian Hqs of Corsica shall provide for the immediate collecting of the above-mentioned ammunition at Bonifacio and for its transportation to Sardinia.

5) - A reply of acknowledgment will be appreciated.

for
THE CHIEF OF STAFF
Colonel G. LEDDA

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Fil: Ammunition

Ms/eg. Data copia all'Uff. Operazioni

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
Ufficio Ordinamento

N. 1209/B/Ord. di prot. P.M.50, 14 febbraio 1944

OGGETTO: Trasporto di munizioni italiane dalla Corsica.=

AL COMANDO ALLEATO DI — NIMAS

e, per conoscenza:
AL COMANDO TRUPPE ITALIANE IN — CORSICA
ALL'INTENDENZA MILITARE SARDEGNA — MACOMER

1°) - Lo S.M.R.E. ha chiesto a questo Comando l'urgente trasporto in continente di un quantitativo di munizioni per fucile automatico "Beretta" cal.9 per le necessità dei reparti italiani destinati ad operare a fianco delle Armate Alleate.-

2°) - Questo Comando ha già disposto il recupero di tutte le munizioni di tale tipo comunque esistenti in Sardegna. Per raggiungere il quantitativo richiesto dallo S.M.R.E. necessitano ancora le 167.032 cartucce lasciate dai reparti italiani in Corsica e per cui il generale Juin ha già concesso l'autorizzazione al trasporto.-

3°) - Poichè tale trasporto non si è potuto ancora effettuare per mancanza di automezzi, adibiti attualmente a lavori di sistemazione stradale, si prega codesto Comando voler interessare il Comando Alleato della Corsica affinchè vengano messi a disposizione del Comando italiano un certo numero di automezzi necessari al trasporto.-

4°) - Il Comando italiano in Corsica provvederà all'urgente accentramento a Bonifacio delle sopracitate munizioni ed all'ulteriore trasporto in Sardegna.-

5°) - Si gradirà un cortese cenno di risposta.=

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
-Col.di S.E.Gavino Ledda-

fil: Armamiento

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SUBJECT: Explosives in Italian Depots.

ARMY SUB COMMISSION (MMIA)
HQ., A.C.C.
ROME
AQ/54
7 September 1944

TO: Ministry of War

Ref your letter 9066/1 dated 17 June 44.

1. There is no objection to not more than 80 tons of Tritolo in Sardinia being made available for agricultural and mining purposes.

2. The engineers state that Tritolo does not deteriorate very quickly, and in their opinion stocks on hand will be good for a further two years.

F.A.COLE, Major
for Major-General,
Army Sub Commission (MMIA)

FAC/wtr

Copy to: Col. Simmons, c/o HQ., A.C.
Sardinia.
MMIA ORD

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no record 9066/1 dated 17 June 1944

Recd 11 Sept 44
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File: Ammunition

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Stato Maggiore--Ufficio Servizi

11 2/9/1944

MUNIZIONI PRONTE PER L'IMBARCO ALLA DATA DEL 2/9/1944 PRESSO IL DEPOSITO DI SILIQUA

| TIPO DELLE MUNIZIONI | Per il Continente | | per la Sicilia | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | numero | tonnellate | numero | tonnellate |
| Cartucce cal.6,5 armi 91 | 2.388.696 | 83,90 | — | — |
| " " " fuc.mitrag | 1.027.320 | 37,62 | — | — |
| " " 7,35 " " | 470?580 | 13,65 | — | — |
| " " 8 s.l.i. | 1.735.000 | 65,20 | — | — |
| " " 8 c.l.i. | 1.507.200 | 56,92 | — | — |
| " " 8 perfor. | 43.250 | 1,60 | — | — |
| " " 8 aggiustam. | 66.750 | 2,50 | — | — |
| " " 9 pist.mod.34 | 37.800 | 0,54 | 17.000 | 0,02 |
| " " 7,65 pist.7,65 | 1.500 | 0,03 | — | — |
| " " 10,25 " 74,69 | 13.000 | 0,25 | — | — |
| Bombe a mano da guerra | 161.251 | 67,20 | — | — |
| Cartocci da 20 mm/ c.a. | 22.108 | 9,00 | — | — |
| Bombe C2M Modif.mod.35 per mortaio da 45 | 38.385 | 25,59 | — | — |
| Cartocci da 20 mm.perfor. | 3.752 | 1,59 | — | — |
| Colpi compl.da 81 gh.acc. | 56.040 | 252,40 | — | — |
| " " gr.cap. | 27.507 | 238,20 | — | — |
| Cartocci granata 37/54 | 15.750 | 33,61 | — | — |
| " " 47/32 perf. | 8.000 | 21,36 | — | — |
| " " " ord. | 4.000 | 13,91 | — | — |
| " " 47/40 " | 1.586 | 6,80 | — | — |
| " " " perf. | 30 | 0,13 | — | — |
| Cartocci gran.65/17 ord. | 5.600 | 35,86 | — | — |
| " " perf. | 2.090 | 13,37 | — | — |
| Colpi compl.75/18 E.P. | 1.368 | 13,68 | — | — |
| " " " ordin. | 1.746 | 17,46 | — | — |
| Cartocci da 75/18 ord.sem. | 2.760 | 33,36 | — | — |
| " " perf. " | 1.280 | 15,36 | — | — |
| " " E.P. | 45 | 0,54 | — | — |
| Colpi compl.mod.32 75/27 | 3.258 | 32,18 | — | — |
| " " 75/27 ordin. | 14.000 | 147,49 | 2.460 | 25,91 |
| " " " a palette | 4.156 | 43,57 | 1.248 | 13,06 |

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| " " 8 c.l.i. | 1.507.200 | 56,92 | -- | -- | |
| " " 9 perfor. | 43.250 | 1,60 | -- | -- | |
| " " 8 aggiustam. | 66.750 | 2,50 | -- | -- | |
| " " 9 plast.mod.34 | 37.800 | 0,24 | 17.000 | 0,02 | |
| " " 7,65 plast.7,65 | 1.500 | 0,03 | -- | -- | |
| " " 10,25 " 74,69 | 13.000 | 0,25 | -- | -- | |
| Bombe a mano da guerra | 161.251 | 67,20 | -- | -- | |
| Cartocci da 20 mm/ c.a. | 22.108 | 9,00 | -- | -- | |
| Bombe C2M modif.mod.35 per mortaio da 45 | 38.385 | 25,59 | -- | -- | |
| Cartocci da 20 mm.perfor. | 3.752 | 1,59 | -- | -- | |
| Colpi compl.da 81 gh.acc. | 56.040 | 252,40 | -- | -- | |
| " " gr.cap. | 27.507 | 238,20 | -- | -- | |
| Cartocci granata 37/54 | 15.750 | 33,81 | -- | -- | |
| " " 47/32 perf. | 8.000 | 21,36 | -- | -- | |
| " " " ord. | 4.000 | 13,81 | -- | -- | |
| " " 47/40 " | 1.586 | 6,80 | -- | -- | |
| " " " perf. | 30 | 0,13 | -- | -- | |
| Cartocci gran.65/17 ord. | 5.500 | 35,86 | -- | -- | |
| " " perf. | 2.090 | 13,37 | -- | -- | |
| Colpi compl.75/18 E.P. | 1.368 | 13,68 | -- | -- | |
| " " " ordin. | 1.748 | 17,46 | -- | -- | |
| Cartocci da 75/18 ord.sem. | 2.760 | 33,36 | -- | -- | |
| " " perf. " | 1.280 | 15,36 | -- | -- | |
| " " E.P. | 45 | 0,54 | -- | -- | |
| Colpi compl.mod.32 75/27 | 3.258 | 32,18 | -- | -- | |
| " " 75/27 ordin. | 14.000 | 147,49 | 2.460 | 29,91 | |
| " " " a palette | 4.186 | 43,57 | 1.240 | 13,06 | |
| Cartocci gran.75/34 ordin. | 17.259 | 172,59 | -- | -- | |
| Colpi compl.100/17 mod.35 a.c.s..... | 15.144 | 277,64 | -- | -- | |
| Colpi compl.100/22 mod.15 | 264 | 5,28 | -- | -- | |
| " " " 28 | 4.650 | 116,00 | 1.850 | 44,40 | |
| " 149/19 | 8.534 | 470,48 | -- | -- | |
| Granate da 149/35 mod.32 per il 149/19 | 815 | 40,80 | -- | -- | |
| Balistite in pinastrelle 1,2x12x12 ..... | 890 | 1,20 | -- | -- | |
| TOTALE TONNELLATE | | 2.368,62 | | 83,57 | |
| Munizioni già in porto: | | | | | |
| Cartucce cal.8 s.l.i. | 832.000 | 31,25 | Rad: oper. | Filt. | |
| " per fuc.mit.cal.6m5 | 100.000 | 3,64 | a sepa uc | | |
| TOTALE GENERALE TONNELLATE | | 2.403 [illegible] | s/ | Ammontare | |

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DEPOSITO DI MONSERRATO

Situazione uguale alla precedente in data 26/8/1944

TONNELLAGGIO TOTALE PRONTO .... 6. 624.-

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TRANSLATION GC/rrc

Very Urgent - Secret

CHIEF OF STAFF - ROYAL ARMY
Services Office Ordnance Section

No. 4/2967 di prot. APO 151, 21 August 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Ammunition Being Shipped from Sardinia.

TO : Comando Militare della Sardegna. APO 50.

FOR INFO: War Department
General Ordnance Directorate. APO 107.

1) The Army Sub Commission in letters AQ/90/1 of 31 July 44 and AQ/90 of 15 August 44, informed us that the following ammunition will be transported from Sardinia to:

-the mainland: those as of appendix a (first priority) and c (second priority).
-Sicily: those as of appendix b.

2) The Army Sub Commission in addition ordered that the ammunition as of appendix a, upon arrival at Italy will be transported from the port of debarkation to the following places:

-1,000 tons to the Secondary Italian Depot (Sottodeposito Italiano) at the 14th B.A.D. at Bitonto, and the remaining 1,903 tons to the Capua Depot.
-In such distribution the Army Sub Commission has not established the amount per each type of ammunition

3) In columns 3 and 5 of appendix a the distribution of ammunition has been indicated in accordance with actual needs of the two depots, and considering also the tonnage as set by the Allies.
Therefore you are requested to contact the competent Allied Authorities in order to have, as much as possible, the distribution of the ammunition made before shipment from the island, according to its respective destination; high priority will be given to the ammunition to be sent to Bitonto (column 3 - appendix a). If possible, it is desired to have the ammunition escorted by either an officer or a non-commissioned officer able to furnish information concerning its destination.

4) Ammunition shown in appendix b is all destined for Messina, at the Campo Italia depot; that listed in appendix c is all destined for the Capua Depot.

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5) Please, issue instructions in order to have ammunition despatched in strong crates. If necessary crates will be strengthened.
In addition it is recommended that ammunition be ready for quick use and that for mortars and artillery be complete.

6) Finally you are requested to forward from time to time to the War Department - General Ordnance Directorate and to this Chief of Staff for information, a list of ammunition shipped.

The General in Charge
/t/ Alessandro Santi

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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA
Chief of Staff Services Office

No. 25810/Serv. APO 50, 26 August 1944

TO : Ordnance Hq of Sardinia - Cagliari
Ordnance Directorate - Nuoro
FOR INFO TO: Colonel Kessner - Elmas Airbase.

.....the above for your information and guidance, with the request that orders to the Southern Depot concerning the preparation of stock as per appendix a and c be given.

In addition you are requested to designate immediately the escort officer or NCO in order that he will be able to acquire a perfect background of each type of ammunition, to supervise the loading, and to collect all information necessary for the distribution of the respective stock upon arrival.

Chief of Staff
/t/ Luigi Castellani
/s/ L. Castellani

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Fld. Ammunition

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STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Servizi - Sezione Artiglieria

N.4/2967 di prot. Serv. P.M.151, 21 Agosto 1944

OGGETTO: munizioni italiane in partenza dalla Sardegna.-

AL COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA = P.M.50
e, per conoscenza:
AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
-Direz. Gen.ARTIGLIERIA - = P.M.107

1) La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito, con i fogli AG/90/1 del 31/7/944 e AG/90 del 1%/8/44, ha comunicato che dalla Sardegna verranno trasportate :

- in Continente le munizioni di cui all'allegato a (con precedenza primaria) e g (con precedenza secondaria) ;

- in Sicilia le munizioni di cui all'allegato b.

2) La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito ha, inoltre, stabilito che le munizioni di cui all'allegato a , allorchè giungeranno in Italia, a cura delle Autorità Alleate del porto di sbarco, saranno avviate come appresso indicato :

- 1.000 tonnellate al Sottodeposito italiano presso il 1%° B.A.D. a Bitonto, e le rimanenti 1.903 tonnellate, al deposito di Capua.

In tale ripartizione la Sottocommissione non ha fissato i quantitativi dei singoli tipi di munizioni.

3) Nelle colonne 3 e 5 dell'allegato a è rappresentata nel dettaglio la ripartizione delle munizioni secondo le reali esigenze dei due depositi, pur rispettando il tonnellaggio fissato dagli Alleati.
Si prega, pertanto, di prendere contatto con l'Autorità Alleata competente, affinchè, nei limiti del possibile, la

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1) La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito, con i fogli AG/90/1 del 31/7/944 e AG/90 del 12/8/44, ha comunicato che dalla Sardegna verranno trasportate :

- in Continente le munizioni di cui all'allegato a (con precedenza primaria) e g (con precedenza secondaria) ;
- in Sicilia le munizioni di cui all'allegato b.

2) La Sottocommissione per l'Esercito ha, inoltre, stabilito che le munizioni di cui all'allegato a , allorchè giungeranno in Italia, a cura delle Autorità Alleate del porto di sbarco, saranno avviate come appresso indicato :

- 1.000 tonnellate al Sottodeposito italiano presso il 14° B.A.D. a Bitonto, e le rimanenti 1.903 tonnellate, al deposito di Capua.

In tale ripartizione la Sottocommissione non ha fissato i quantitativi dei singoli tipi di munizioni.

3) Nelle colonne 3 e 5 dell'allegato a è rappresentata nel dettaglio la ripartizione delle munizioni secondo le reali esigenze dei due depositi, pur rispettando il tonnellaggio fissato dagli Alleati.
Si prega, pertanto, di prendere contatto con l'Autorità Alleata competente, affinchè, nei limiti del possibile, la ripartizione delle munizioni, secondo la loro destinazione, sia fatta in partenza dall'Isola, dando la precedenza assoluta a quelle da inviare a Bitonto (colonna 3 dell'allegato a ). Ove possibile, pregasi disporre che le munizioni siano accompagnate da un Ufficiale e sottufficiale che sia in grado di fornire indicazioni circa la loro ripartizione.

4) Le munizioni che figurano nell'allegato b sono tutte destinate a Nessima, al deposito di Campo Italia; quelle elencate nell'allegato g sono tutte destinate al deposito di Capua.

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5) Pregasi disporre che le munizioni siano spedite in casse resistenti. Ove necessario, gli imballaggi siano opportunatamente rinforzati.
Si raccomanda, inoltre, che le munizioni siano di pronto impiego, e quelle relative ai mortai ed alle artiglieria siano a colpi completi.

6) Si prega inoltre disporre perchè, a mano a mano che avverranno le spedizioni, siano inviati al Ministero della Guerra - Direzione Generale Artiglieria - e per conoscenza a questo S.M. gli elenchi delle munizioni imbarcate.»

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
f.to -Alessandro Santi-

FN/da

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA — URGENTE
Stato Maggiore--Ufficio Servizi

N. 25810 /Serv. Fi prot. P.M.50, 26 agosto 1944

AL COMANDO ARTIGLIERIA DELLA SARDEGNA = CAGLIARI
ALLA DIREZIONE DI ARTIGLIERIA = NUORO
e, per conoscenza :
AL SIGNOR COL. KESSNER = AEROPORTO ELMAS

..... per conoscenza e norma e con preghiera di dare al più presto istruzioni ai depositi sud per la formazione dei blocchi di cui agli allegati a e 2.

Si prega inoltre fissare fin d'ora l'ufficiale o sottufficiale che dovrà accompagnare le munizioni in Continente in modo che questo possa prendere perfetta conoscenza dei vari tipi, assistere al carico, e mettersi in grado di fornire all'arrivo tutte le

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
f.to -Alessandro Santi-

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URGENTE

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Stato Maggiore--Ufficio Servizi

N. 25810 /Serv. fi prot. F.M.50, 26 agosto 1944

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Colonnello Luigi Castellani)

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Stato Maggiore--Ufficio Servizi

MUNIZIONI ACCANTONATE NEI DEPOSITI DI SILIQUA E MONSERRATO CHE VERRANNO TRASPO
IN CONTINENTE

| Calibro | Quantità totale | Da inviare a Vitorio | | da in |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | N° | peso in tonnellate | N° |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 149/19 | 900 | 900 | 49 ½ | — |
| 105/28 | 2.000 | 2.000 | 46 | — |
| 100/22 | 65.539 | 15.000 | 276 | 50.539 |
| 75/18 | 7.219 | 7.219 | 60 ½ | — |
| 75/13 | 30.250 | 30.250 | 213 | — |
| 47/32 | 78.300 | 10.000 | 30 | 68.300 |
| 81 m/m | 85.922 | 20.000 | 96 | 65.922 |
| 8 m/m mitre | 9.570.600 | 2.400.000 | 97 | 7.170.800 |
| 7/65 m/m | 500 | 500 | 1/10 | — |
| 7/35 m/m | 470.080 | — | 1 | 470.080 |
| pistole cal.9 | 20.000 | — | — | 20.000 |
| " " 6,5 f.m. | 3.406.016 | 1.200.000 | 44 | 2.206.016 |
| " " 6,5 fucili | 7.404.062 | 1.500.000 | 50 | 5.904.062 |
| Bombe a mano | 150.376 | 40.000 | 18 | 110.376 |
| Balistite 1,2 x12x12 | 890 | — | — | 890 |
| | | Totale tonnellate | 1.000 | |

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
Stato Maggiore--Ufficio Servizi

DI SILIQUA E MONSERRATO CHE VERRANNO TRASPORTATE CON PRECEDENZE

| ità ie | Da inviare a Mitonto | | da inviare a Capua | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | N° | peso in tonnellate | N° | peso in tonnellate |
| | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 900 | 900 | 49 ½ | — | — |
| 2.000 | 2.000 | 46 | — | — |
| 65.539 | 15.000 | 276 | 50.539 | 800 |
| 7.219 | 7.219 | 80 ½ | — | — |
| 30.250 | 30.250 | 213 | — | — |
| 78.300 | 10.000 | 30 | 68.300 | 214 |
| 85.922 | 20.000 | 96 | 65.922 | 303 ½ |
| 70.800 | 2.400.000 | 97 | 7.170.800 | 293 |
| 500 | 500 | 1/10 | — | — |
| 70.080 | — | —1 | 470.080 | 13 ½ |
| 20.000 | — | — | 20.000 | ½ |
| 06.016 | 1.200.000 | 44 | 2.206.016 | 71 |
| 04.062 | 1.500.000 | 50 | 5.904.062 | 161 |
| 50.376 | 40.000 | 18 | 110.376 | 45 ½ |
| 890 | — | — | 890 | 1,1/10 |
| onnellate | | 1.000 | | 1.903 |

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MUNIZIONI ACCANTONATE NEL DEPOSITO DI SELIQUA CHE VERRANNO TRASPORTATE A MESSINA.-

| TIPO | QUANTITA' | PESO IN TONNELLATE |
|---|---|---|
| 100/22-17 | 1.850 | 37 |
| 75/27 | 3.700 | 37 |
| 9 mm per pistola | 17.000 | 1 |

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COPIA dell'allegato C al foglio n°4/2967/Serv. del 21-8-44

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
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MUNIZIONI ACCANTONATE AI DEPOSITI DI SELIQUA E MONSERRATO CHE VERRANNO TRASPORTATE IN CONTINENTE (deposito di Capua con precedenza secondaria)

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| TIPO | QUANTITA' | PESO IN TONNELLATE | NOTE |
|---|---|---|---|
| 75/27 | 16.934 | 107 | a Siliqua |
| 65/17 | 7.440 | 47 | " |
| 37/54 | 15.750 | 39 | " |
| 45 m/m | 38.385 | 25 | " |
| 20 m/m | 18.000 | 7 | " |
| 10.25 m/m | 10.000 | | " |
| 90/53 | 19.991 | 340 | a Monserrato |
| 75/27 | 22.877 | 243 | " |
| 65/17 | 18.900 | 128 | " |
| 37/54 | 53.050 | 109 | " |
| 45 m/m | 89.350 | 60 | " |
| 20 m/m | 185.393 | 64 | " |

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| TIPO | QUANTITA' | PESO IN TONNELLATE | NOTE |
|---|---|---|---|
| 75/27 | 16.934 | 107 ½ | a Siliqua |
| 65/17 | 7.440 | 47 ½ | " |
| 37/54 | 15.750 | 39 | " |
| 45 m/m | 38.385 | 25 ½ | " |
| 20 m/m | 18.000 | 7 ½ | " |
| 10.25 m/m | 10.000 | ½ | " |
| 90/53 | 19.991 | 340 | a Monserrato |
| 75/27 | 22.877 | 243 | " |
| 65/17 | 18.900 | 128 | " |
| 37/54 | 53.050 | 109 | " |
| 45 m/m | 89.350 | 60 ½ | " |
| 20 m/m | 185.393 | 64 | " |

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| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| " " 7,65 glat.7,65 | 500 | 6,01 | - | - | |
| " "10,25 " 74/69 | 10.000 | 0,20 | - | - | |
| Bombe a mano da guerra. | 161.251 | 07,20 | - | - | |
| Cartocci gran.da 20 m/m c.a. | 18.000 | 7,50 | - | - | |
| Bombe C2N modif.mod.35 per mortaio da 45 | 38.395 | 25,59 | - | - | |
| Colpi completi da 81 gr.acc. | 42.620 | 194,41 | - | - | |
| " " " " gr.cap. | 24.147 | 210,26 | - | - | |
| Cartocci gran.da 37/51 | 15.750 | 33,81 | - | - | |
| " " " 47/32 perf. | 8.000 | 21,36 | - | - | |
| " " " " " ordin. | 4.000 | 13,51 | - | - | |
| " " " 47/40 " | 1.586 | 6,80 | - | - | |
| " " " " " perf. | 30 | 0,13 | - | - | |
| Cartocci gran.da 65/17 ord. | 5.600 | 35,86 | - | - | |
| " " " " " perf. | 2.050 | 13,37 | - | - | |
| Colpi compl.da 75/18 S.F. | 1.308 | 13,68 | - | - | |
| " " " " " ord. | 1.746 | 17,40 | - | - | |
| Cartocci da 75/18 ord.sem. | 2.780 | 33,36 | - | - | |
| " " " " perf.semov. | 1.280 | 15,36 | - | - | |
| " " " " S.P. | 45 | 0,54 | - | - | |
| Colpi compl.mod.32 75/27 | 3.258 | 32,18 | - | - | |
| " " 75/27 ord. | 13.000 | 135,95 | 2.460 | 25,91 | |
| " " " " a pallettes | 4.136 | 41,07 | 1.240 | 13,06 | |
| Cartocci gran.75/34 ord. | 17.259 | 172,59 | - | - | |
| Colpi completi 100/17 mod.36 e d.s. | 15.144 | 277,64 | - | - | |
| Colpi compl.100/22 mod.15 | 264 | 5,28 | - | - | |
| " " " " " 28 | 4.550 | 116,00 | 1.850 | 44,40 | |
| " " 149/19 | 8.934 | 470,45 | - | - | |
| Balestite in piastrelle 1,2x12x12 Kg. | 890 | 1,20 | - | - | |
| TOTALE TONNELLATE | | 2.228,14 | | 83,37 | |
| Munizioni già in porto : | | | | | |
| Cartucce cal.6 a.l.d. | 832.000 | 31,26 | | | |
| " per fuc.mitr.cal.6,5 | 100.000 | 3,54 | | | |
| TOTALE GENERALE TONNELL. | | 2.263,04 | | | |

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PRESSO IL DEPOSITO DI MONTERRATO

| SPECIE DELLE MUNIZIONI | Per il Continente | |
|---|---|---|
| | quantità | Tonnellate |
| Cartucce cal.6,5 per arsi mod.91 | 10.360.000 | 390 |
| " " " " fuc.mitr. | 4.386.000 | 150 |
| " " 8 " mitragl.s.l.f.peri.ass. | 1.030.000 | 61 |
| " " " S.Etienne ord.tracc. | 112.000 | 4 |
| " " 7,35 per fuc.mitr. | 92.000 | 3 |
| " " " " fuc. e moschetto | 38.000 | 1 |
| " " 7,65 " pistola | 3.100 | |
| " " 9 " " mod.34 | 315.000 | 11 |
| " " " " moschet.ant.38/A | 117.000 | 4 |
| " " " " pistola autom.910 | 3.700 | |
| " " 10,5 " " 74/89 | 454.000 | 15 |
| Fucile a bano italiane vari tipi | 442.000 | 170 |
| " " " tedesche con governale | 2.240 | 2 |
| " per mortaio da 45 C.C.N. | 155.850 | 104 |
| " " " " " tipo modificato | 2.100 | 2 |
| " " " " 81 g.m. e gr.c. | 19.477 | 96 |
| Cartocci granata da 20 mod.35 c.a.e perfor. | 150.400 | 83 |
| " " " " Oerlikon | 130.300 | 94 |
| " " " 37/54 c.a. | 53.050 | 109 |
| " " " 47/32 ord.e perfor. | 72.300 | 225 |
| " " " 47,50 | 2.977 | 10 |
| Bombarde da 47/50 | 180 | 1 |
| Cartocci granata da 65/17 | 39.083 | 261 |
| Colpi completi da 75/13 | 38.960 | 274 |
| " " " 75/17 | 1.986 | 14 |
| " " " 75/18 | 2.944 | 21 |
| Cartocci granata da 75/18 | 17.219 | 115 |
| Colpi completi da 75/27 | 121.289 | 1.270 |
| Cartocci granata da 75/34 | 555 | 6 |
| " " " 76,2/14 | 5.635 | 77 |
| " " " 88 | 7.000 | 140 |
| " " " 90/53 | 19.891 | 340 |
| Colpi completi da 100/17 | 60.000 | 1.125 |
| " " " 100/22 | 40.096 | 880 |
| " " " 105/28 | 21.379 | 490 |
| " " " 155/36 | 491 | 20 |

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|---|---|---|
| " " " " mascher.ant.38/A | 117.000 | 1 |
| " " " " piastra autom.910 | 3.700 | - |
| " " 10,5 " " 74/29 | 454.000 | 5 |
| Bombe a mano italiane vari tipi | 442.000 | 170 |
| " " " tedesche con governale | 2.240 | 2 |
| " per mortaio da 45 C.2.M. | 155.850 | 104 |
| " " " " " tipo modificato | 2.100 | 2 |
| " " " " 81 g.a. e gr.c. | 19.477 | 96 |
| Cartocci granata da 20 mod.35 c.a.a perfor. | 150.400 | 63 |
| " " " " Oerlikon | 130.300 | 54 |
| " " " 37/54 c.a. | 53.050 | 109 |
| " " " 47/32 ord.e perfor. | 72.300 | 225 |
| " " " 47/50 | 2.977 | 10 |
| Bombarde da 47/50 | 100 | 1 |
| Cartocci granata da 65/17 | 39.063 | 261 |
| Colpi completi da 75/13 | 38.960 | 274 |
| " " " 75/17 | 1.966 | 14 |
| " " " 75/18 | 2.944 | 21 |
| Cartocci granata da 75/18 | 17.519 | 113 |
| Colpi completi da 75/27 | 121.289 | 1.270 |
| Cartocci granata da 75/34 | 595 | 4 |
| " " " 76,2/14 | 8.535 | 77 |
| " " " 88 | 7.000 | 140 |
| " " " 90/53 | 19.991 | 340 |
| Colpi completi da 100/17 | 6[illegible]000 | 1.125 |
| " " " 100/22 | 40.096 | 680 |
| " " " 105/26 | 21.379 | 490 |
| " " " 155/36 | 401 | 30 |
| Balestite 1x10x10 Kg. | 10.015 | 15 |
| Selleria buffetterie,armi mater.etc.casse | 25.[illegible] 2109 | 34 |
| TOTALE TORPEDINIERE. . . . . | | 6.331 |
| Munizioni già al porto : | | |
| Carcasse cal.6,5 armi mod.91 | 3.816.130 | 97 |
| " " " fuc.mitr. | 802.500 | 28 |
| " " e s.l.i.perf.e agguat. | 4.272.000 | 158 |
| TOTALE GENERALE TORPEDINIERE. . . . . | | 6.624 |

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SUBJECT:- Italian Amn from SARDINIA

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
AG/90
15 Aug 44

A.A.I. for 'Q'

Copy to:- S M R E
AGC SARDINIA for SIMMONS
PRO for MMIA
2 District
14 B.A.D.
MMIA LO 2 District
SICILY REGION Hq (ACC) for MMIA LO
MMIA LO with CIL

1. Ref conversation ROSS - BUTTERWORTH 14 Aug 44 regarding paras 2, 3 and 4 of this Hq letter AG/90/1 of 31 Jul 44. It is requested that

(a) the 74 tons of Italian amn being sent from SARDINIA to SICILY be shipped to MESSINA where it will be stored in the Italian Army Arty Depot.

(b) the other amn detailed in Appendices "A" and "B" of the above letter be despatched, on arrival in ITALY, as under :-

to 14 B.A.D., BITONTO ..... 1,000 tons

to Italian Army Amn Depot, CAPUA ..... 1,903 tons.

(c) the second priority amn (1,235 tons) listed in Appx "C" of above letter be sent, on arrival in ITALY, to Italian Army Amn Depot, CAPUA.

2. It is requested that maximum notice of expected time of arrival of shipping be given our SARDINIAN Hq in order to permit preparation and transfer of the amn to the docks.

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1. Ref conversation RCBS - BUTTERWORTH 14 Aug 44 regarding paras 2, 3 and 4 of this HQ letter AG/90/1 of 31 Jul 44. It is requested that

(a) the 7½ tons of Italian ammn being sent from SARDINIA to SICILY be shipped to MESSINA where it will be stored in the Italian Army Arty Depot.

(b) the other ammn detailed in Appendices "A" and "B" of the above letter be despatched, on arrival in ITALY, as under :-

to 14 B.A.D., BITONTO ..... 1,000 tons

to Italian Army Ammn Depot, CAPUA ..... 1,903 tons.

(c) the second priority ammn (1,235 tons) listed in Appx "B" of above letter be sent, on arrival in ITALY, to Italian Army Ammn Depot, CAPUA.

2. It is requested that maximum notice of expected time of arrival of shipping be given our SARDINIAN HQ in order to permit preparation and transfer of the ammn to the docks.

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19/8 for necessary Action by Colo K

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B C Butterworth
for
Major General
Army Sub Commission ACC
M M I A

Italian officer in charge - Lieut Patroni.

Read 18 Aug 44
BB

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

12 August 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition to be Transported to the Mainland.

TO : Commanding General, Army Sub Commission, ACC Main Hq (MMIA), APO 394.

1. a. Reference your AQ/90/3 dated 31 July 1944, attached hereto is breakdown of ammunition at Palau reported as at 31 July 44, showing total of 930 tons ready for shipment.

b. The weight of ammunition not yet ready for shipment at Palau is approximated at 113 tons. It is unknown when this balance can be made ready because of lack of packing material. It is expected that this figure will be revised upward indefinitely when ammunition in possession of unit dumps is received. Such additional ammunition can be transported to Cagliari after it has been made ready.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

JEROME KESSNER
Lieut Col, Inf

(4) A 11/12

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TRANSLATION GP/2TO

ORDNANCE DEPOT OF PALAU

Ammunition to be shipped overseas existing at the Depot as of 31 July 44.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TYPE | QUANTITY EXISTING IN DEPOTS | QUANTITY READY TO BE SHIPPED | QUANTITY BEING PREPARED | QUANTITY NOT PREPARED OWING TO LACK OF PACKING MATERIALS | TONNAGE OF AMMUNITION READY TO BE SHIPPED |
| 100/17 | 5,231 | 4,515 | 453 | 263 | 78 |
| 75/27 | 45,989 | 43,989 | --- | 2,000 | 464 |
| 75/18 | 500 | 500 | --- | --- | 5 |
| 75/13 | 3,000 | 3,000 | --- | --- | 21 |
| 65/17 | 39,853 | 30,553 | --- | 9,306 | 206 |
| 47/32 | 2,099 | 2,099 | --- | --- | 7 |
| Machine gun cal. 8 c.l.i. | 571,745 | 399,550 | --- | 172,195 | 15 |
| Light Machine gun cal. 6.5 | 2,631,275 | 2,501,520 | --- | 129,755 | 86 |
| Automatic carbine Cal.9. | 7,200 | 7,200 | --- | --- | |
| Rifle Cal. 6.5 | 1,633,350 | 1,405,224 | --- | 228,126 | 46 |
| Pistol Cal.9. | 9,226 | 9,226 | --- | --- | |
| Hand Grenade | 893 | 893 | --- | --- | 0.33 |
| | | | | Total Tonnage: | 930.33 |

N.B. The munitions listed in Column 4 will be ready for shipment in August.

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

7 August 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. So much of letter subject Ammunition, Hqrs office date 10 June 1944, as relates to Ammunition earmarked for Sardinia and Sicily is revoked and the following substituted:

(a) SICILY

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22/17 | 1850 |
| 75/27 | 3700 |
| Pistol Cal. 9 | 17000 |

(b) SARDINIA

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22/17 | 21000 |
| 75/27 | 21000 |
| 47/32 | 6000 |
| 20 mm | 16000 |
| 81 mm mortar | 16500 |
| 8 mm M.G. | 714000 |
| 6.5 Light M.G. | 238000 |
| 6.5 Rifle | 914000 |
| Pistol | 25000 |

2. The excess ammunition occasioned by this change will be applied to amounts to be consigned to mainland.

3. The ammunition earmarked for Sicily will be retained at the Siliqua Depot awaiting shipment.

Per Colonel F. L. [redacted]:

[redacted], Secretary

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File: Ammunition

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SUBJECT:- Italian Amn in SARDINIA

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
AQ/90
4 Aug 44

A.G.C. SARDINIA for Col SIMMONS.

Copy to:- A.A.I. (2) for SD(2)Br
for G(AR)
S.M.R.E.

1. Ref para 6(e) of Lieut Colonel KESSNER's report of 25 July 44 on "Status of Amn to be Transported into ITALY". Para 6(e) stated that Comando Militare of SARDINIA had requested the "freezing" for the CALABRIA Div's Internal Security duties in SARDINIA of 2,400 rds of 149/19 amn and 2,400 rds of 75/18. Both these natures are in short supply in the Italian Army.

2. It is possible that the "CALABRIA" Div may eventually be shipped to the mainland, and that Internal Security duties in SARDINIA may be left to CC.RR.

3. In any case, no 149/19 or 75/18 amn in SARDINIA will be considered as frozen for use of the "CALABRIA" Division in SARDINIA.

4. All available stocks of these two natures in SARDINIA will be considered as earmarked for use of the CIL, and you will please give their transportation to the mainland high priority among any amn that is shipped.

for [illegible]

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2. It is possible that the "CALABRIA" Div may eventually be shipped to the mainland, and that Internal Security duties in SARDINIA may be left to CC.RR.

3. In any case, no 149/19 or 75/13 amn in SARDINIA will be considered as frozen for use of the "CALABRIA" Division in SARDINIA.

4. All available stocks of these two natures in SARDINIA will be considered as earmarked for use of the CIL, and you will please give their transportation to the mainland high priority among any amn that is shipped.

for
Major General
Army Sub Commission
AMMA

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SUBJECT:- Italian Amn in SARDINIA

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
AQ/90(J
31 Jul 44

A.C.C. SARDINIA for
Colonel SIMMONS

Ref Lieut Colonel KESSNER's report dated 25 July 44 on "Status of Amn to be transported into ITALY".

1. The points raised in para 5(b) and (c) of the report are answered by our AQ/90 of 31 Jul 44.

2. Para 6(a) of the report will be answered in a seperate letter.

3. Ref para 10(b). May breakdown details of the 1,900 tons of amn at PALAU please be given.

O.C.K. for compliance with 3.

S/- Information required from Lieut Peterson
ABC

for W.C. Major General
Major General
Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
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Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

25 July 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Status of Ammunition to be Transported to Italy.

TO : Colonel F. L. Simmons, Kings.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in directive ASC (MEDIA) 29 May 1944, as amended and subsequently modified by verbal instructions to Colonel Simmons initially limiting paragraph 4 to certain designated types of ammunition as appears in attached exhibit 1 (Summary of proposed disposal of ammunition in Sardinia 17 June 44), arrangements were made to assemble, inspect, pack, mark and prepare said ammunition for shipment.

2. Plans were devised to recall ammunition in possession of the navy units in Sardinia to central depots listed in exhibit 2, where the ammunition is inspected, packed and otherwise prepared for shipment. This ammunition is then transferred to the vicinity of Cagliari for transhipment to Italy. Suitable provision was made for the ammunition scheduled to remain in Sardinia or sent to Sicily.

3. Reports on the amount and weights ready for shipment at Cagliari, are prepared weekly. Inspections and spot checks of depots have been made to insure compliance with the directive.

4. The amounts on hand appearing in colums 3 and 7, exhibit 1, are based upon an inventory submitted by Italian authorities as of 15 May 1944. These quantities are subject to upward and downward revision for the following reasons:

(a) Errors and indefiniteness in the inventory.
(b) Additional complete rounds obtained from reported incomplete rounds.
(c) Ammunition in the possession of troops and units transferred or about to be transferred.
(d) Necessary changes or adjustments in the original directive.

5. It is estimated, that there now remains, the following types enumerated in exhibit 1.

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(a) Italy - 14,000 metric tons, of which 4152 tons are now assembled in vicinity of Cagliari, exhibits 3a, 3b. Approximately 700 tons of small arms ammunition have already been shipped, exclusive of amounts shipped with troops.

(b) Sicily - 1250 metric tons. This ammunition is being assembled at Monserrato and Elliqua depots (vicinity of Cagliari), exhibits 3a, 3b. As at 22 July 1944, all such ammunition is reported ready except 1500 rounds 100/22 or 100/17 and 16,624 rounds 75/27. There are sufficient quantities of these types reported at other depots to insure their availability in the near future. In view of the change in the number of divisions to be transferred to Sicily, a decision is required as to the amount to be held available.

(c) The ammunition directed to be retained in Sardinia for divisions expected to remain, is reported in the possession of the selected divisions or reported as earmarked at various depots, exhibit 4. In view of possible change whereby one of the divisions heretofore selected to remain in Sardinia has been or is about to be transferred to the mainland, decision is required as to changes, if any, in the amounts of ammunition to be retained in Sardinia.

6. To date, special requests have been made as follows:

(a) 7000 rounds 88 mm ammunition (German) requested by BATOUSA. This ammunition has already been prepared and assembled in the vicinity of Cagliari. Orders for onward shipment have not yet been received.

(b) 7000 rounds 114/19 mm ammunition and 10 tons balistite requested by ASC (MMIA) letter 7 July. 4040 rounds of the 114/19 have been already inspected, packed and in the process of being transferred to vicinity of Cagliari. Definite time as to the balance cannot be ascertained now. The Balistite is reported ready.

(c) 2400 rounds 75/18 and 2400 rounds 114/19 requested by Comando Militare della Sardegna for weapons in the Calabria Division and not provided for in paragraph 2a of directive ASC (MMIA) 29 May 1944. Approval of this request is being considered by Colonel Simsons.

7. Many questions have arisen as to the manner of packing the ammunition. After such discussion the instructions appearing in exhibit 5a were issued by C&B. These are based on instructions from the Italian War Department, exhibit 5b, together with suggestions made by a representative designated by G-4, Allied Garrison of Sardinia from the Ordnance section and the undersigned. Difficulty has been encountered because of the lack of packing materials - lumber, boxes, nails, etc. Effort is being made to ascertain the items required and the procurement thereof. An inquiry has been sent from C&B to its higher headquarters but to date no reply has been received.

8. The matter of transporting the ammunition from various depots to more desirable locations presents many problems due to limited transport facilities. These problems are being solved thru the cooperation and coordination of Allied and Italian agencies. The ammunition is slowly but regularly being assembled at designated points.



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9. Much difficulty arises in the matter of procuring shipping space to the mainland. Experience and consideration reveals the impracticability of relying upon excess space in cargo ships sent for other purposes. Despite constant requests, space for only 700 tons have been allotted in the past several weeks. Complications arise by reason of limitations imposed by NATOUSA (Exhibit 6) on cargoes of ammunition sensitive to high order mass detonation. The question of what ammunition is deemed to be in that category is still undecided as the transportation authority here in Sardinia is of the belief that practically all types of ammunition under discussion (except small arms) are considered in that category, in apparent conflict with instructions in Exhibit 6. The providing of special lifts for this ammunition will resolve these questions.

10. In view of the many uncertainties existing, it is considered impractical at this time to submit an overall schedule for shipping based upon expected times of readiness. The following recommendations are made:

(a) Bids for shipping space be placed with AFHQ thru MAIA, as and when actual tonnage is assembled or appears in reasonable expectation of availability at Cagliari.

(b) The ammunition at Palau, estimated at 1900 tons, be loaded at the port of Olbia instead of Cagliari. The port facilities at Olbia require a limiting draft of 16 feet.

(c) Reasonable notice of expected time of arrival of cargo ships should be given this office to permit preparation and transfer of the ammunition to the docks.

JEROME KOESSLER
Lieut Col, Inf



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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA.
17 June 1944.

| 1 Ser. | 2 Type | 3 Amount on hand | 4 For Sicily | 5 For Sardinia | 6 Ready to ship | 7 Finally to ship | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 105/28 | 28,567 | | | | 28,567 | |
| 2 | 100/22 | 92,077 | | | 58,000 | 92,077 | |
| 3. | 100/17 | 193,496 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 109,496 | |
| 4 | 75/27 | 395,819 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 311,819 | |
| 5 | 75/18 | 6,056 | | | | 6,056 | |
| 6 | 75/13 | 82,730 | | | 27,258 | 82,730 | |
| 7 | 65/17 | 111,117 | | | 1,800 | 111,117 | |
| 8 | 47/32 | 182,708 | 12,000 | 16,000 | 20,482 | 164,708 | |
| 9 | Mortai 81 mm. | 125,809 | 25,200 | 33,600 | 90,000 | 67,009 | |
| 10 | Mortai 45 mm. | 688,278 | | | | 688,278 | |
| 11 | 20 mm doppio imp. | 804,927 | 24,000 | 32,000 | | 748,927 | |
| 12 | Mitra Cal.8 s.l.i. | ***19,313,027 | 1,110,000 | 1,480,000 | | 16,723,027*** | |
| 13 | Fucile Mit.Cal.6.5 | 22,478,821 | 357,000 | 476,000 | 4,000,000 | 21,645,821 | |
| 14 | Moschetto arto | 235,779 | | | | 235,779 | |
| 15 | Fucile Cal.6.5 | 43,833,237 | 1,417,200 | 1,889,600 | 10,000,000 | 40,526,437 | |
| 16 | Pistole Cal.9 | *1,524,217 | 50,000 | 50,000 | | 1,424,217** | |
| 17 | Pistole Cal.7.65 | 21,716 | | | | 21,716 | |
| 18 | Bombe a mano | 866,715 | | | | 866,715 | |
| 19 | Elementi fond. 81 | | | | 15,000 | 15,000 | |
| 20 | Elementi aggium. 81 | In excess of | | | 154,000 | 164,000 | **** |
| 21 | Spolette I.R. 81 | requirements 23 June | | | 22,500 | 22,500 | |
| 22 | Ballistite | (Patrons) | | | Kg. 890 | Kg.890 | |

N.B. All other types of ammunition not referred to above will be retained in Sardinia pending further instructions as to disposal.

* Should be 1,063,336
** Should be 63,336
*** Should be increased by:

| | |
|---|---|
| Armor piercing | 1,999,860 |
| Tracers | 40,436 |
| Adjusting | 3,467,594 |
| | 5,507,890 |
| | 16,723,027 |
| | 22,230,917 |

**** Finally to go.
Column incorrect - Original figures based on ready to go only

Column 7 subject to deductions for ammunition which left with units after 15 May 44. Information has been requested 25 June 44.

Columns 3 and 7 subject to variation resulting from salvaging and completing rounds indicated as inefficient and incomplete on inventory 15 May 44.

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EXHIBIT 1

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| Depot | Railhead |
|---|---|
| Campomela | Scala di Ciocca |
| Macomer | Macomer |
| Telti | Monti |
| Palau | Olbia |
| Prato Sardo | Macomer |
| Cesico | Cesico |
| Siliqua | Siliqua |
| Monserrato | Cagliari |
| Tanca Mulino | Oristano |



EXHIBIT 2

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TRANSLATION GC/ec 25 JULY 1944

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

AMMUNITION READY FOR SHIPMENT AS OF 22 JULY 1944 AT THE
SILIQUA DEPOT

| TYPE OF AMMUNITION | For the mainland | | For Sicily | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | Tons | Numbers | Tons |
| Rounds cal 6.5. for arms mod 91 | 870,696 | 27.0224 | 1,417,200 | 46.40 |
| " for light machine gun cal 6.5 | 670,320 | 24.428 | 357,000 | 13.20 |
| " cal 7.35 for rifle &carabine | 470,580 | 13.65 | - | - |
| " cal 8 s.l.i. | 1,136,000 | 42.60 | 600,000 | 22.60 |
| " cal 8 c.l.i. | 1,507,200 | 56.52 | - | - |
| " cal 8 armor percing | - | - | 43,250 | 1.60 |
| Tracers rounds cal 8 | - | - | 66,750 | 2.50 |
| Rounds cal 9 for pistol mod 34 | - | - | 37,000 | 0.50 |
| " cal 7,65 for pistol | - | - | 500 | 0.012 |
| " cal 10.25 for pistol | - | - | 10,000 | 0.20 |
| Hand grenades | 150,376 | 62,88 | - | - |
| 20 mm AA shells | - | - | 18,000 | 7.50 |
| Shells C2M & modified mod 35 for 45 mm mortar | 38,385 | 25.59 | - | - |
| 81 mm mortar shells | 22,460 | 102.90 | 20,160 | 91.512 |
| 81 mm mortar shells high explosive | 19,107 | 166.38 | 5,040 | 43.88 |
| 37/54 mm shells | 15,750 | 33,816 | - | - |
| 47/32 mm armor percing shells | - | - | 8,000 | 21.36 |
| 47/32 mm ordinary shells | - | - | 4,000 | 13.617 |
| 47/40 mm " " | 1,586 | 6,80 | - | - |
| 47/40 mm armor percing shells | 30 | 0.13 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm ordinary shells | 5,350 | 34,24 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm armor percing shells | 2,090 | 13,376 | - | - |
| 75/18 complete rounds E.P. | 1,368 | 13,68 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm complete rounds (ordinary) | 1,746 | 17.46 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm self-propelled rounds | 2,760 | 33.36 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm armor percing self-propelled rounds | 1,280 | 15.36 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm self-propelled rounds E.P. | 45 | 0.54 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm complete rounds mod 32 | 3,256 | 32.58 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm ordinary complete rounds | - | - | 12,000 | 126.40 |
| 75/27 mm complete rounds | - | - | 5,376 | 48.80 |
| 100/17 mm complete rounds d.c. mod 36 | 15,114 | 277.64 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm complete rounds mod 15 | 255 | 5.10 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm complete rounds mod 28 | 1,500 | 30.00 | - | - |
| 149/19 complete rounds | 900 | 49.50 | - | - |
| Balistite - small plates: 1.2 x 12 x 12 Kg | 890 | 1.20 | - | - |
| 75/34 mm shells | 17,259 | 172.59 | - | - |
| Rounds cal 8 s.l.i. | 832,000 | 31.26 | (already at the port) | |
| Rounds cal 6.5 for light machine gun | 100,800 | 3.04 | ( " " " " | |
| TONS: | | 1,294.242 | | 440.051 |

EXHIBIT 3a

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AMMUNITION AT MONSERRATO DEPOT:

| TYPE OF AMMUNITION | For the continent | | For Sicily | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | number | tons | number | tons |
| Rounds cal 6.5 for arms mod 91 | 2,563,372 | 87.5. | - | - |
| " " " " light machine gun | 222,000 | 8 | - | - |
| " " 8 s.l.i. for heavy machine gun | 721,600 | 27 | 400,000 | 15 |
| " " " armor perc.ing for heavy machine gun | 894,400 | 33 | - | - |
| Tracer rounds cal 8 for heavy machine gun | 97,600 | 3.5 | - | - |
| Hand grenades | 223,119 | 88 | - | - |
| 45 mm mortar bombs mod 39 c.n.2 | 89,350 | 60.5 | - | - |
| 81 mm mortar complete shells | 19,255 | 95.5 | - | - |
| 20 mm AA shells | 34,912 | 14.5 | - | - |
| " " " armor perc.ing shells | 1,432 | 0.5 | - | - |
| " " " shells Oerlikon | 149,049 | 49 | - | - |
| 37/54 mm shells | 53,050 | 109 | - | - |
| 47/32 mm shells | 64,684 | 203 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm ordinary shells | 18,900 | 128 | - | - |
| 75/13 mm complete shells | 30,250 | 213 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm complete shells | 22,877 | 243 | - | - |
| 88 mm shells (ex Germans) | 7,000 | 147 | - | - |
| 90/53 mm shells | 19,991 | 340 | - | - |
| 100/17 mm complete shells | 15,990 | 275 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm " " | - | - | 34,500 | 525 |
| 105/28 mm " " | 2,000 | 46 | - | - |
| Ballistite 1 x 10 x 10 Kg | 10,016 | 13.5 | - | - |
| TOTAL TONS: | | 2,134.5 | | 540 |
| Various ammunition in arrival to the station ..... | " " | 400 | | - |

AMMUNITION ALREADY AT THE PORT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rounds cal 6.5 for arms mod 91 | 3,816,130 | 87.5 | |
| " " " for light machine gun 6.5 | 802,560 | 28 | |
| " " 8 for heavy machine gun s.l.i. | 1,720,000 | | |
| " " 8 armor perc.ing for heavy mach. gun | 279,000 | 158 | |
| " " 8 tracer " " " " | 2,273,000 | | |
| GRAND TOTAL TONS: | 2,858 | 540 | |

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EXHIBIT 36

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AMMUNITION TO BE LEFT IN SARDINIA

| No | TYPE OF AMMUNITION | With the Divisions: "Calabria" | 204th | Siliqua | At the sup Camposola |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 100/22 mm rounds | - | 13,000 | - | - |
| 2 | 100/17 mm rounds | - | - | - | 11,727 |
| 3 | 75/27 mm rounds | 5,376 | 3,004 | - | 11,996 |
| 4 | 47/32 mm rounds | 914 | - | - | - |
| 5 | 20 mm AA shells high explosive | 13,860 | - | - | 18,140 |
| 6 | 81 mm mortar shells | - | - | 33,600 | - |
| | rounds cal 8 for heavy machine gun | 1,480,000 | | | - |
| | rounds cal 6.5 for light " " | 476,000 | | | - |
| 7 | rounds cal 6.5 | 1,889,000 | | | - |
| 10 | rounds for pistol | 50,00 | | | - |

P.S. Surplus ammunition in the quantities indicated in No 7 - 8 - 9- 10 must be sent to the nearest

EXHIBIT 4

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TO BE LEFT IN SARDINIA

| Divisions: | | At the ammunition dumps of: | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10th | 204th | Siliqua | Campomela | Prato Sardo | Telti | TOTAL |
| | 13,000 | - | - | - | - } | 48,000 |
| | - | - | 11,727 | 23,273 | - } | 48,000 |
| | 3,004 | - | 11,996 | 27,624 | - | 16,000 |
| | - | - | - | - | 15,086 | 32,000 |
| | - | - | 18,140 | - | - | 33,600 |
| | - | 33,600 | - | - | - | 1,480,000 |
| | 1,480,000 | - | - | - | - | 476,000 |
| | 476,000 | - | - | - | - | 1,889,000 |
| | 1,889,000 | - | - | - | - | 50,000 |
| | 50,00 | - | - | - | - | |

Nos 7 - 8 - 9- 10 must be sent to the nearest directionnl depot

EXHIBIT 4

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

NO. 21203/Serv A.P.O. 50, 30 June 1944

SUBJECT: Shipment of Ammunition on Allied Vessels.

TO : ORDNANCE HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA APO 50
ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE APO 50

MEMO TO: COLONEL KESSNER

Following and amending previous orders, you are informed that Allied Headquarters has defined the following procedure to be followed in regard to the preparation of munitions to be shipped by water transport.

1. The red band on the boxes is no longer required and as a consequence it is useless to apply this distinctive marking.

2. The grenades may be packed armed with fuses when the primer has been detached. In such cases the primers must be packed separately.

3. The Polish 100/22 ammunition must all be shipped fuseless. These fuses must be packed separately.

4. 81 mm mortar shells must be shipped fuseless. The fuses may be packed in the same box containing the shells if the shells are in metal containers and are three or less in number. In cases where the shells are packed in wooden boxes or are greater in number than three, the fuses must be packed separately.

5. Fixed shells may be shipped with the fuses up to but excluding 90 mm. Further instructions will be released concerning the 90/53 shells prior to the time of shipment since at present no orders have been issued for their shipment to the mainland.

6. Hand grenades must be provided with double securities packed in the normal way individually wrapped and each layer separated by cardboard and the box firmly packed in such a way as to prevent any shifting within the box. You are requested to expedite the preparations to the respective warehouses increasing if necessary the personnel by attaching from Artillery units in the immediate representatives the men needed. In order to avert urgent transportation of hundreds of tons at a time it is necessary that the depots request the allocation of railroad cars, for every concentration of ammunitions ready in an amount sufficient to load one car.

THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF
/s/Lieut Col Emilio Capello

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EXHIBIT 5A

Title Ammunition

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COPY 26 July 44 /rrc TRANSLATION GC/ce 29 June 1944

WAR DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE
Ammunition Section E

Prot. no 151857
3000-65 Rome, 25 June 1944

SUBJECT: Instruction for the transport of shells and loaded cartridge-cases partially or completely supplied with elements forming the ignition chain.

.....ADDRESSES OMITTED.....

Whenever shells and loaded cartridge cases partially and completely supplied with the elements forming the ignition chain are to be transported, the following instructions shall be complied with:

F U Z E S:

a) - shells or cartridge cases of a caliber less than 65 mm can be transported already fitted with fuses;

b) - shells of caliber greater than 149 mm must be transported without fuses;

c) - shells or cartridge cases of caliber between 65 and 149 mm (inclusive) can be transported with the following fuses; except for those which one of the following fuses must be fitted:

1) - percussion fuses mod. 17
2) - " " " 1/35
3) - " " " 14 or mod 14/42

Fuses ammunition must always be transported packed in proper boxes without primer (except of course for those supplied with fuzes with inside primer) and supplied with a false primer.

D E T O N A T O R S:

a) - Both detonators or equivalent charges of balistite must be fitted to:
1) - shells which as specified in paragraph 1 must be transported fitted with fuses;



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2) - ammunition to be transported without fuses but which have a special cap which prevent any eventual movement of the primary detonator during the transport.

3) - ammunition also not fitted with such cap which are composed with:

a) - ballistite detonators (both those in which the supplementary or firing charge form a body and those in which the two elements are separated.

b) - high explosive detonators no 5 in which the primary and secondary charges are firmly connected together.

B) - Only the secondary detonators must, on the contrary, be fitted to the ammunition to be transported fuseless and not supplied with the special cap for closing and which have the high explosive detonator fitted or not with a metallic covering of a type different from those shown in the previous paragraph.

Shells which are fitted with a foreign made primer are generally furnished with a secondary detonator from the time of their loading, because such detonators are packed in an apposite metallic case which is an airtight closing of the shell ogive. On the contrary, the primary detonator forms a body with the fuse and is fitted simultaneously or at the units (French and English ammunition) or be care of the ammunition factories (German ammunition).

It is understood that no special instructions are needed for the transportation of such shells. The above mentioned provisions refer to the fuses and detonators employed at the present.

The present circular cancels all previous provisions issued in this matter, exclusive circular no 80 of the special provisions A.N.A. part 2nd - 1936, which remain in force.

FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE
/s/ Fruglia

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TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONNEL ABOARD CARGO VESSELS IS SUBJECT.

IT IS THE ORDERS OF THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT PERSONNEL BE NOT TRANSPORTED BETWEEN ESTABLISHED PORTS ABOARD VESSELS WHOSE CARGO CONTAINS TYPES OF EXPLOSIVES SENSITIVE TO HIGH ORDER SYMPATHETIC DETONATION. SPECIFICALLY THIS WOULD BE: GP HE AIR CRAFT BOMBS OF ALL WEIGHTS, 4 AND 2/10 INCH FE MORTAR SHELLS, ROCKETS, RIFLE GRENADES, PRIMACORD AND PRIMACORD MATS, MINES A/T AND AP, SHAPED AND CRATERING DEMOLITION CHARGERS, BULK EXPLOSIVES AND DETONATORS, BANGALORES, OFFENSIVE GRENADES, SNAKES, NAVAL TORPEDOS AND MINES.

THE ABOVE ITEMS ARE LIKELY TO DETONATE IN MASS IF SUBJECTED TO THE EXPLOSIVE EFFECTS OF TORPEDOES, BOMBS OR MINES. THIS RESTRICTION WILL NOT APPLY TO SHIPS SAILING FROM A PORT DIRECTLY TO AN OPERATION SUCH AS DUKO TO SHINGLE.

IT WILL ALSO NOT APPLY TO CARGO SECURITY OR OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO THE VESSEL OR NECESSARY TO ACCOMPANY CARGO TO A MAXIMUM OF 50 PERSONNEL

RESCRIPT 18 MAY 1944 /rrc

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EXHIBIT 6

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SUBJECT:- Italian Amn for Internal Security Tps

Army Sub Commission (MMIA)
H.Q. A.C.C.
R O M E.
AQ/90
31 Jul 44

S M R E

Copy to:- AAI (this answers your 1041/9/Q1 of 24 Jul 44)
AGC SARDINIA for Colonel SIMMONS
PBS for MMIA
SICILY Region HQ A.C.C. for MMIA LO Lt Col ALBERT

Ref our AQ/90 of 29 May 44 on the above subject.

1. Attached at Appx "A" is table showing :-

(a) Revised scale of amn holdings laid down by AAI for Internal Security tps in SICILY.

(b) Stocks of relevant natures held in SICILY on 25 July 44.

(c) Balance required to be shipped from SARDINIA into SICILY to bring holdings up to the new target figures.

2. You will please alert the balances in 1(c) above for shipment from SILIQUA Depot (NR CAGLIARI) to SICILY. AAI have been asked for shipping.

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for Major General
Army Sub Commission A.C.o.S.
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Appx "A" to MMIA AQ/90
dated 2( July 44

**Revised Scale of Italian Arms in SICILY to be held for Internal Security tps**

| Nature | New Target | Stock as at 23 July | Balance to be shipped | Tons |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 100/22/17 | 12,000 | 10,150 | 1,850 | 37 |
| 75/27 | 12,000 | 8,323 | 3,700 | 37 |
| 47/32 | 4,000 | 46,400 | - | |
| 20mm | 8,000 | 153,530 | - | |
| 81mm Mortar | 8,400 | 18,800 | - | |
| 6mm MMG | 370,000 | 1,083,300 | - | |
| LMG | 119,000 | 3,743,804 | - | |
| Rifle 6.5mm | 472,400 | 7,342,542 | - | |
| Pistol | 17,000 | - | 17,000 | ½ |

Appx "B" to MMIA AQ/90
dated 2( July 44

**Revised Scale of Italian Arms in SARDINIA to be held for Internal Security tps**

| Nature | New Target |
|---|---|
| 100/22/17 | 24,000 |
| 75/27 | 24,000 |

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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| LMG | 119,000 | 3,743,804 | - |
| Rifle 6.5mm | 472,400 | 7,342,542 | - |
| Pistol | 17,000 | - | 17,000 |

Appx "B" to MMIA AQ/90
dated 2 ( July 44

Revised Scale of Italian Amm in SARDINIA
to be held for Internal Security tps

| Nature | New Target |
|---|---|
| 100/22/17 | 24,000 |
| 75/27 | 24,000 |
| 47/32 | 8,000 |
| 20mm | 16,000 |
| 81mm Mortar | 16,800 |
| 8mm MMG | 740,000 |
| 6.5mm L.M.G. | 238,000 |
| 6.5mm Rifle | 944,800 |
| Pistols | 25,000 |

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SUBJECT: Italian Ammunition

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE)
AQ/90
11 June 44

SMRE

Copy to: AAI (Form [illegible] of 5/June 44 refers)
HQ 2 District
14 B.A.D.
Col SIMMONS, thru Allied Garrison Comd SARDINIA
Lt Col ALBERT c/o I.B.S., SICILY
Lt Col OFFENHAUER, c/o MAIN HQ A.C.C.
HQ 5 CORPS
MMIA LO 5 Corps
MMIA LO 6C Sub Area
MMIA LO 31 Italian Corps
MMIA LO 2 District
MMIA LO Rear EIGHTH Army
FIFTH Army for VAN KIRK - MMIA LO

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D P Butterworth
for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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MMIA LO 31 Italian Corps
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D P Hardwick Maj
for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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APPENDIX 'A' to AMA 40/90
of 11 June 44

20 Days FFO to be Held at CIL Ammunition Depot

| Weapon | 20 days FFO |
|---|---|
| 105/28 | 9 600 |
| 100/22 or 17 | 16000 |
| 75/27 | 6400 |
| 75/18 | 12800 |
| 75/13 | 16000 |
| 47/32 M/Tk | 2080 |
| 20 MM AA | 8800 |
| 8 mm Breda MG | 910,000 |
| IMG 6.5 mm | 760,000 |
| Auto rifle 9mm | 1,000,000 |
| Rifle 6.5mm | 1,000,000 |
| Pistol 9 mm | 100,000 |
| Mortar 81 mm | 27,400 |
| " 45 mm | 8,400 |
| Grenades hand | 10,000 |

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SUBJECT:- Italian Ammunition.

Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q.(MMLA)
LEQUIOLE (LECCE)
AQ/90
5 Jun 44

S M R E

Copy to:- AAI (refers your 1022/8/Q1 of 29 May)
HQ 2 District
14 B.A.D.
Col SIMMONS, thru Allied Garrison Comd SARDINIA
Lt Col ALBERT c/o I.B.S. SICILY
Lt Col OFFENHAUER, c/o MAIN HQ A.C.C.
HQ 5 CORPS
MMIA LO 5 Corps
MMIA LO 60 Sub Area
MMIA LO 31 Italian Corps
MMIA LO 2 District
MMIA LO Rear EIGHTH Army
FIFTH Army for VAN WYK - MMIA LO

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This will avoid the hurried emergency measures which had to be taken to meet the recent switch of Italian combat troops.

2. AAI has therefore ruled that the main Italian ammunition depot should be located with the British 14 BASE AMMUNITION DEPOT in the BITONTO area. 14 B.A.D. are allotting sufficient space to hold approximately 5,000 tons.

3. The immediate priority is that the forward ammunition depot which has been established at TORINO DI SANGRO shall be maintained at the level laid down in par 3(a) of our AQ/90 of 29 May.
This level represents 20 days reserve at British FEC rates. When this reserve has been assured, SMRE, in conjunction with this HQ, will arrange to stock the Italian Depot at 14 B.A.D., and to despatch a suitable ammunition detachment for attachment to 14 B.A.D.

4. The eventual set-up for Italian ammunition will therefore be:-

At 14 B.A.D. - 40 days FEC for all Italian Combat Troops; i.e. the

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MMIA LO 31 Italian Corps
MMIA LO 2 District
MMIA LO Rear EIGHTH Army
FIELD Army for VAN KIRK - MMIA LO

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
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| At Italian Forward Depot (at present at TORINO DI SANGRO) Eastern L of C. | - | 10 days FFC; i.e. the ammunition stocks detailed in para 3(a) of our AQ/90 of 29 May. |
| At CAPUA | - | 10 days FFC |

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At Appx "A" ( S.M.R.E. only) is an explanation of FFC.

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5. When this set-up has been established, 14 B.A.D. will become the Supplying Agency for Italian ammunition and will be in a position to meet demands from either of the Allied Armies without any change in existing procedure.

6. You are therefore requested to,

(a) earmark approximately 60 personnel, including the necessary specialists, artificers etc for the ammunition detachment for 14 B.A.D. This HQ will inform you of the exact number required, after consultation with 14 B.A.D.

(b) forward to this HQ three copies of a statement showing from which depots you propose to draw the ammunition to stock the Italian Depot at 14 B.A.D. Where it is necessary to draw from SARDINIA, depots need not be specified. The contents of our AQ/90 of 5 June should be borne in mind when selecting depots.

ABC

B C Butterworth
for Maj
Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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SUBJECT: Ammunition.

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Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECCE (LECCE)
AO/90
29 May 44.

S.M.R.E.

Copy to: A.A.T. (refers your 1041/9/31 of 22 May)
Col. SIMMONS, thru Allied Garrison Comd SARDINIA.
Lt.Col. ALBERT c/o I.B.S. SICILY.
Lt.Col. OFFENBAUER, c/o H.Q. ACC.
H.Q. 5 Corps.
MMIA LO 5 Corps.
MMIA LO 60 Sub Area
MMIA LO 31 Italian Corps.
MMIA LO DISTWO.
MMIA LO Rear 8 Army.
MMIA LO Rear 5 Army.

1. (a). This Instruction supersedes all previous instructions issued by this Hq, except instructions for specific shipments of ammunition from SARDINIA heretofore issued.

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2. Ammunition to be frozen for L of C and Internal Security Troops.

(a) To be held in SARDINIA for Corps of two Divs to be stationed there: -

| Type of Ammunition. | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 48000 |
| 75/27 | 48000 |
| 47/32 | 16000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 32000 |

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| 47/32 | 16000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 32000 |
| 81 mm HE | 33600 |
| 8 mm MG Breda | 1480000 |
| LMG | 476000 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 1889600 |
| Pistols | 50000 |

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(b) To be held in SARDINIA, earmarked for shipment to SICILY for XII Corps. Authority to ship any ammunition to SICILY from SARDINIA may be requested at the time of transfer of the two Divs from SARDINIA to SICILY. No transfer will be made without specific authority from M.M.I.A.

| Type of Ammunition. | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 36000 |
| 75/27 | 36000 |
| 47/32 | 12000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP. | 24000 |
| 81 mm HE | 25200 |
| 8 mm MG Breda | 1110000 |
| LMG | 357000 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 1417200 |
| Pistols | 50000 |

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(*) To be held on mainland for Internal Security troops. Issue of this ammunition must be approved by M.M.I.A.

Type of Ammunition.

| | |
|---|---|
| 8 mm MG Breda | 3000000 |
| LMG | 15000000 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 28000000 |
| Pistols. | 50000 |

(d) To be held in Mainland depots for training purposes. Issue must be approved by M.M.I.A.

Type of Ammunition.

| | |
|---|---|
| 75/27 | 1200 |
| 47/32 | 700 |
| 81 mm HE | 800 |
| 8 mm MG Breda | 100000 |
| LMG | 100000 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 70000 |
| 9 mm Auto Rifles. | 120000 |
| Pistols. | 6000 |

3. Ammunition required for CIL plus NEMBO.

(a) Level of stocks to be maintained in CIL and NEMBO depots(at present at SAN SALVO) and immediately available for use of CIL and NEMBO Div.

Type of Ammunition.

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 22400 |
| 75/27 | 12800 |
| 47/32 | 2800 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 12800 |
| 81 mm HE | 32480 |
| Mor Smoke | 5960 |
| 8 mm MG Breda | 1265000 |
| LMG | 1308800 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 700000 |
| 9 mm Auto Rifles. | 700000 |
| Pistols. | 4000 |
| 45 mm HE | 2640 |
| Mor Smoke. | 2880 |

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| | |
|---|---|
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 100000 |
| LMG | 100000 |
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| 9 mm Auto Rifles. | 120000 |
| Pistols. | 6000 |

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| | |
|---|---|
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| 75/27 | 12800 |
| 47/32 | 2800 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 12800 |
| | |
| 81 mm HE | 32480 |
| Mor Smoke | 6960 |
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 1265000 |
| LMG | 1308800 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 700000 |
| 9 mm Auto Rifles. | 700000 |
| Pistols. | 4000 |
| 45 mm HE | 8640 |
| Mor Smoke. | 2880 |
| | |
| 105/28 | 9600 |
| 75/13 | 22400 |
| 75/18 | 12800 |
| Grens hand. | 8500 |

(b) Stocks to be held in Mainland depots, other than the depots specified in sub-para (a) above, and available for immediate shipment to the depot (s) specified in sub-para (a) above

Type of Ammunition.

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 44800 |
| 75/27 | 25600 |
| 47/32 | 5600 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 25600 |
| 81 mm HE | 64960 |

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(b) Contd.

| Type of Ammunition. | Contd. |
|---|---|
| Mor Smoke. | 13920 |
| 8 mm MG Breda | 2530000 |
| MG | 2517600 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 1400000 |
| 9 mm Auto Rifles | 1400000 |
| Pistols | 8000 |
| 45 mm HE | 17280 |
| Mor Smoke | 5760 |
| 105/28 | 19200 |
| 75/13 | 44800 |
| 75/18 | 25600 |
| Grens. hand | 17000 |

(c) SACE will request authority to replenish stock to maintain level in depot (s) specified in sub para (a) above, at the time the weekly return of Italian ammunition stocks is rendered to M.M.I.A.

4. Shipment of Ammunition from SARDINIA.

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5. Ammunition in SICILY.

(a) The Italian Army will make an accurate inventory of serviceable ammunition stocks in SICILY and report to M.M.I.A.

(b) The total reserve for SICILY is shown in para 2 (b) above.

(c) All ammunition at present in SICILY will be frozen until it is determined what quantities are required to complete the authorised reserve.

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Major General.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

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

10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Your letter No. 17591/serv. di prot. dated 4 June 1944 refers.

2. Orders have been received as to the disposal of ammunition held in Sardinia, as under.

3. Ammunition to be kept in Sardinia and especially earmarked as first line ammunition for the Corps of two Divisions which will ultimately garrison the island;

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 48,000 |
| 75/27 | 48,000 |
| 47/32 | 16,000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 32,000 |
| 81 mm HE | 33,600 |
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 1,480,000 |
| LMG | 476,000 |
| Rifle 6.5 | 1,889,600 |
| Pistol | 50,000 |

This ammunition should be collected at once and held pending issue.

4. Ammunition to be despatched to Sicily for use of XII Corps:

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 36,000 |
| 75/27 | 36,000 |
| 47/32 | 12,000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 24,000 |
| 81 mm HE | 25,200 |
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 1,110,000 |
| LMG | 357,000 |
| Rifle 6.5 | 1,417,200 |
| Pistol | 50,000 |

This ammunition will be collected at Cagliari [illegible] and made ready for shipment.

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5. Ammunition required on the mainland for SHAFE. This is in substitution of the list forwarded by you as having been requisitioned by SHAFE:

| | |
|---|---|
| 105/28 | ALL AVAILABLE, after deducting amounts shown in paragraphs 3 and 4 above. |
| 100/22 | |
| 100/17 | |
| 75/27 | |
| 75/18 | |
| 75/13 | |
| 65/17 | |
| 47/32 | |
| Mortai da 81 mm | |
| Mortai da 45 mm | |
| 20 mm a doppio impiego | |
| Mitra. cal. 8 s.l.i. | |
| Fucile mitrag. cal. 6.5 | |
| Moschetto automatico | |
| Fucile cal. 6.5 | |
| Pistole cal. 9 | |
| Pistole cal. 7.65 | |
| Bombe a mano | |
| Elementi fond. da 81 | |
| Elementi aggiunt. da 81 | |
| Spolette I.R. da 81 | |
| Ballistite | |

This ammunition will be collected in a different depot at Cagliari and made ready for IMMEDIATE shipment.

6. With regard to the preparation of ammunition for shipment please refer to my letter dated 4 June 1944 on that subject.

7. It is requested that you take immediate steps to segregate these three lots of ammunition, as shipment of that shown in paragraph 5 will take place as soon as you report that it is ready.

For Colonel V. L. SIMMONS:

P. M. M. EGERTON
Major, IA IR. F.

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Y JK/rrc

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

25 July 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Status of Ammunition to be Transported to Italy.

TO : Colonel F. L. Simmons, Elm 2 s.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in directive ASC (MMIA) 29 May 1944, as amended and subsequently modified by verbal instructions to Colonel Simmons initially limiting paragraph 4 to certain designated types of ammunition as appears in attached exhibit 1 (Summary of proposed disposal of ammunition in Sardinia 17 June 44), arrangements were made to assemble, inspect, pack, mark and prepare said ammunition for shipment.

2. Plans were devised to recall ammunition in possession of the many units in Sardinia to central depots listed in exhibit 2, where the ammunition is inspected, packed and otherwise prepared for shipment. This ammunition is then transferred to the vicinity of Cagliari for transhipment to Italy. Suitable provision was made for the ammunition scheduled to remain in Sardinia or sent to Sicily.

3. Reports on the amount and weights ready for shipment at Cagliari, are prepared weekly. Inspections and spot checks of depots have been made to insure compliance with the directive.

4. The amounts on hand appearing in columns 3 and 7, exhibit 1, are based upon an inventory submitted by Italian authorities as of 15 May 1944. These quantities are subject to upward and downward revision for the following reasons:

(a) Errors and indefiniteness in the inventory.
(b) Additional complete rounds obtained from reported incomplete rounds.
(c) Ammunition in the possession of troops and units transferred or about to be transferred.
(d) Necessary changes or adjustments in the original directive.

5. It is estimated, that there now remains, the following types enumerated in exhibit 1.

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(a) Italy - 14,000 metric tons, of which 4152 tons are now assembled in vicinity of Cagliari, exhibits 3a, 3b. Approximately 700 tons of small arms ammunition have already been shipped, exclusive of amounts shipped with troops.

(b) Sicily - 1250 metric tons. This ammunition is being assembled at Monserrato and Siliqua depots (vicinity of Cagliari), exhibits 3a, 3b. As at 22 July 1944, all such ammunition is reported ready except 1500 rounds 100/22 or 100/17 and 18,624 rounds 75/27. There are sufficient quantities of these types reported at other depots to insure their availability in the near future. In view of the change in the number of divisions to be transferred to Sicily, a decision is required as to the amount to be held available.

(c) The ammunition directed to be retained in Sardinia for divisions expected to remain, is reported in the possession of the selected divisions or reported as earmarked at various depots, exhibit 4. In view of possible change whereby one of the divisions heretofore selected to remain in Sardinia has been or is about to be transferred to the mainland, decision is required as to changes, if any, in the amounts of ammunition to be retained in Sardinia.

6. To date, special requests have been made as follows:

(a) 7000 rounds 88 mm ammunition (German) requested by NATOUSA. This ammunition has already been prepared and assembled in the vicinity of Cagliari. Orders for onward shipment have not yet been received.

(b) 7000 rounds 4.9/19 mm ammunition and 10 tons Balistite requested by ASC (MMIA) letter 7 July. 4040 rounds of the 4.9/19 have been already inspected, packed and in the process of being transferred to vicinity of Cagliari. Definite time as to the balance cannot be ascertained now. The Balistite is reported ready.

(c) 2400 rounds 75/18 and 2400 rounds 4.9/19 requested by Comando Militare della Sardegna for weapons in the Calabria Division and not provided for in paragraph 2a of directive ASC (MMIA) 29 May 1944. Approval of this request is being considered by Colonel Simmons.

7. Many questions have arisen as to the manner of packing the ammunition. After much discussion the instructions appearing in exhibit 5a were issued by CMS. These are based on instructions from the Italian War Department, exhibit 5b, together with suggestions made by a representative designated by G-4, Allied Garrison of Sardinia from the Ordnance section and the undersigned. Difficulty has been encountered because of the lack of packing materials - lumber, boxes, nails, etc. Effort is being made to ascertain the items required and the procurement thereof. An inquiry has been sent from CMS to its higher headquarters but to date no reply has been received.

8. The matter of transporting the ammunition from various depots to more desirable locations presents many problems due to limited transport facilities. These problems are being solved through the cooperation and coordination of Allied and Italian agencies. The ammunition is slowly but regularly being assembled at designated points.

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9. Much difficulty arises in the matter of procuring shipping space to the mainland. Experience and consideration reveals the impracticability of relying upon excess space in cargo ships sent for other purposes. Despite constant requests, space for only 700 tons have been allotted in the past several weeks. Complications arise by reason of limitations imposed by NATOUSA (Exhibit 6) on cargoes of ammunition sensitive to high order mass detonation. The question of what ammunition is deemed to be in that category is still undecided as the transportation authority here in Sardinia is of the belief that practically all types of ammunition under discussion (except small arms) are considered in that category, in apparent conflict with instructions in Exhibit 6. The providing of special lifts for this ammunition will resolve these questions.

10. In view of the many uncertainties existing, it is considered impractical at this time to submit an overall schedule for shipping based upon expected times of readiness. The following recommendations are made:

(a) Bids for shipping space be placed with AFHQ thru MMIA, as and when actual tonnage is assembled or appears in reasonable expectation of availability at Cagliari.

(b) The ammunition at Palau, estimated at 1900 tons, be loaded at the port of Olbia instead of Cagliari. The port facilities at Olbia require a limiting draft of 16 feet.

(c) Maximum notice of expected time of arrival of cargo ships should be given this office to permit preparation and transfer of the ammunition to the docks.

Jerome Kessner
JEROME KESSNER
Lieut Col, Inf

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA.
17 June 1944.

| 1 Ser. | 2 Type | 3 Amount on hand | 4 For Sicily | 5 For Sardinia | 6 Ready to ship | 7 Finally to ship | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 105/28 | 28,567 | | | | 28,567 | |
| 2 | 100/22 | 92,077 | | | 58,000 | 92,077 | |
| 3. | 100/17 | 193,496 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 109,496 | |
| 4 | 75/27 | 395,819 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 311,819 | |
| 5 | 75/18 | 6,056 | | | | 6,056 | |
| 6 | 75/13 | 82,730 | | | 27,258 | 82,730 | |
| 7 | 65/17 | 111,117 | | | 1,800 | 111,117 | |
| 8 | 47/32 | 182,708 | 12,000 | 16,000 | 20,482 | 164,708 | |
| 9 | Mortai 81 mm. | 125,809 | 25,200 | 33,600 | 90,000 | 67,009 | |
| 10 | Mortai 45 mm. | 688,278 | | | | 688,278 | |
| 11 | 20 mm doppio imp. | 804,927 | 24,000 | 32,000 | | 748,927 | |
| 12 | Mitra Cal.8 s.l.i. | ***19,313,027 | 1,110,000 | 1,480,000 | | 16,723,027*** | |
| 13 | Fucile Mit.Cal.6.5 | 22,478,821 | 357,000 | 476,000 | 4,000,000 | 21,645,821 | |
| 14 | Moschetto auto | 235,779 | | | | 235,779 | |
| 15 | Fucile Cal.6.5 | 43,833,237 | 1,417,200 | 1,889,600 | 10,000,000 | 40,526,437 | |
| 16 | Pistole Cal.9 | *1,524,217 | 50,000 | 50,000 | | 1,424,217** | |
| 17 | Pistole Cal.7.65 | 21,716 | | | | 21,716 | |
| 18 | Bombe a mano | 866,715 | | | | 866,715 | |
| 19 | Elementi fomi. 81 | } | | | 15,000 | 15,000 | } |
| 20 | Elementi aggiun. 81 | } In excess of | | | 164,000 | 164,000 | } *** |
| 21 | Spolette I.R. 81 | } requirements 23 June | | | 22,500 | 22,500 | } |
| 22 | Ballistite | (Patrone) | | | Kg. 890 | Kg.890 | } |

N.B. All other types of ammunition not referred to above will be retained in Sardinia pending further instructions as to disposal.

* Should be 1,063,336
** Should be 63,336
*** Should be increased by:

| | |
|---|---|
| Armor piercing | 1,999,860 |
| Tracers | 40,436 |
| Adjusting | 3,467,594 |
| | 5,507,890 |
| | 16,723,027 |
| | 22,230,917 |

**** Finally to go.
Column Incorrect - Original figures based on ready to go only

Column 7 subject to deductions for ammunition which left with units after 15 May 44. Information has been requested 25 June 44.

Columns 3 and 7 subject to variation resulting from salvaging and completing rounds indicated as inefficient and incomplete on inventory 15 May 44.

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ANNEX 1

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| Depot | Railhead |
|---|---|
| Campomela | Scala di Giocca |
| Macomer | Macomer |
| Telti | Monti |
| Palau | Olbia |
| Prato Sardo | Macomer |
| Gesico | Gesico |
| Siliqua | Siliqua |
| Monserrato | Cagliari |
| Tanca Mulino | Oristano |



EXHIBIT 2

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TRANSLATION GC/gc 25 JULY 1944

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

AMMUNITION READY FOR SHIPMENT AS OF 22 JULY 1944 AT THE
S I L I Q U A DEPOT

| TYPE OF AMMUNITION | For the mainland | | For Sicily | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | Tons | Numbers | Tons |
| Rounds cal 6.5. for arms mod 91 | 870,696 | 27.022 | 1,417,200 | 46.40 |
| " for light machine gun cal 6.5 | 670,320 | 21.428 | 357,000 | 13.20 |
| " cal 7.35 for rifle &carabine | 470,580 | 13.65 | - | - |
| " cal 8 s.l.i. | 1,136,000 | 42.60 | 600,000 | 22.60 |
| " cal 8 c.l.i. | 1,507,200 | 56.52 | - | - |
| " cal 8 armor percing | - | - | 43,250 | 1.60 |
| Tracers rounds cal 8 | - | - | 66,750 | 2.50 |
| Rounds cal 9 for pistol mod 34 | - | - | 37,000 | 0.50 |
| " cal 7,65 for pistol | - | - | 500 | 0.12 |
| " cal 10.25 for pistol | - | - | 10,000 | 0.20 |
| Hand grenades | 150,376 | 62.88 | - | - |
| 20 mm AA shells | - | - | 18,000 | 7.50 |
| Shells C2N & modified mod 35 for 45 mm mortar | 38,385 | 25.59 | - | - |
| 81 mm mortar shells | 22,400 | 102.90 | 20,160 | 91.512 |
| 81 mm mortar shells high explosive | 19,107 | 166.38 | 5,040 | 43.88 |
| 37/54 mm shells | 15,750 | 33.816 | - | - |
| 47/32 mm armor percing shells | - | - | 8,000 | 21.36 |
| 47/32 mm ordinary shells | - | - | 4,000 | 13.617 |
| 47/40 mm " " | 1,586 | 6.80 | - | - |
| 47/40 mm armor percing shells | 30 | 0.13 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm ordinary shells | 5,350 | 34.24 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm armor percing shells | 2,090 | 13.376 | - | - |
| 75/18 complete rounds E.P. | 1,368 | 13.68 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm complete rounds (ordinary) | 1,746 | 17.46 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm self-propelled rounds | 2,780 | 33.36 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm armor percing self-propelled rounds | 1,280 | 15.36 | - | - |
| 75/18 mm self-propelled rounds E.P. | 45 | 0.54 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm complete rounds mod 32 | 3,256 | 32.58 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm ordinary complete rounds | - | - | 12,000 | 126.40 |
| 75/27 mm complete rounds | - | - | 5,376 | 48.80 |
| 100/17 mm complete rounds d.e. mod 36 | 15,144 | 277.64 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm complete rounds mod 15 | 255 | 5.10 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm complete rounds mod 28 | 1,500 | 30.00 | - | - |
| 149/19 complete rounds | 900 | 49.50 | - | - |
| Ballistite - small plates: 1.2 x 12 x 12:Kg | 890 | 1.20 | - | - |
| 75/34 mm shells | 17,259 | 172.59 | - | - |
| Rounds cal 8 s.l.i. | 832,000 | 31.20 | (already at the port) | |
| Rounds cal 6.5 for light machine gun | 100,800 | 3.64 | ( " " " " | |
| TONS: | | 1,294.212 | | 410.061 |

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EXHIBIT 3a

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AMMUNITION AT MONSERRATO DEPOT:

| TYPE OF AMMUNITION | | For the continent | | For Sicily | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | number | tons | number | tons |
| Rounds cal 6.5 for arms mod 91 | | 2,563,372 | 87.5. | - | - |
| " " " " light machine gun | | 222,000 | 8 | - | - |
| " " 8 s.l.i. for heavy machine gun | | 721,600 | 27 | 400,000 | 15 |
| " " " armor perceing for heavy machine gun | | 894,400 | 33 | - | - |
| Tracer rounds cal 8 for heavy machine gun | | 97,600 | 3.5 | - | - |
| Hand grenades | | 223,119 | 88 | - | - |
| 45 mm mortar bombs mod 39 c.n.2 | | 89,350 | 60.5 | - | - |
| 81 mm mortar complete shells | | 19,255 | 95.5 | - | - |
| 20 mm AA shells | | 34,912 | 14.5 | - | - |
| " " " armor perceing shells | | 1,432 | 0.5 | - | - |
| " " " shells Oerlikon | | 149,049 | 49 | - | - |
| 37/54 mm shells | | 53,050 | 109 | - | - |
| 47/32 mm shells | | 64,684 | 203 | - | - |
| 65/17 mm ordinary shells | | 18,900 | 128 | - | - |
| 75/13 mm complete shells | | 30,250 | 213 | - | - |
| 75/27 mm complete shells | | 22,877 | 243 | - | - |
| 88 mm shells (ex Germans) | | 7,000 | 147 | - | - |
| 90/53 mm shells | | 19,991 | 340 | - | - |
| 100/17 mm complete shells | | 15,990 | 275 | - | - |
| 100/22 mm " " | | - | - | 34,500 | 525 |
| 105/28 mm " " | | 2,000 | 46 | - | - |
| Balistite 1 x 10 x 10 | Kg | 10,016 | 13.5 | - | - |
| | TOTAL TONS: | | 2,184.5 | | 540 |
| Various ammunition in arrival to the station ..... | " " | | 400 | | - |

A MMUNITION ALREADY AT THE PORT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rounds cal 6.5 for arms mod 91 | 3,816,130 | 87.5 | |
| " " " for light machine gun 6.5 | 802,560 | 28 | |
| " " 8 for heavy machine gun s.l.i. | 1,720,000 | 156 | |
| " " 8 armor perceing for heavy mach. gun | 279,000 | | |
| " " 8 tracer " " " " | 2,273,000 | | |
| GRAND TOTAL TONS: | 2,858 | 540 | |



EXHIBIT 3b

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AMMUNITION TO BE LEFT IN SARDINIA

| No | TYPE OF AMMUNITION | With the Divisions: "Calabria" | 20/th | Siliqua | At the ammu Campomela | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 100/22 mm rounds | - | 13,000 | - | - | |
| 2 | 100/17 mm rounds | - | - | - | 11,727 | |
| 3 | 75/27 mm rounds | 5,376 | 3,004 | - | 11,996 | |
| 4 | 47/32 mm rounds | 914 | - | - | - | |
| 5 | 20 mm AA shells high explosive | 13,860 | - | - | 16,140 | |
| 6 | 81 mm mortar shells | - | - | 33,600 | - | |
| 8 | rounds cal 8 for heavy machine gun | 1,480,000 | | - | - | |
| 9 | rounds cal 6.5 for light " " | 476,000 | | - | - | |
| 10 | rounds cal 6.5 for pistol | 1,849,000 | | - | - | |
| | | 50,00 | | - | - | |

P.S. Surplus ammunition in the quantities indicated in No 7 - 8 - 9- 10 must be sent to the nearest dis

EXHIBIT 4

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NITION TO BE LEFT IN SARDINIA

| With the Divisions: | | At the ammunition dumps of: | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| "Calabria" | 20th | Siliqua | Campomela | Prato Sardo | Telti | TOTAL |
| - | 13,000 | - | - | - | - | 48,000 |
| - | - | - | 11,727 | 23,273 | - | |
| 5,376 | 3,004 | - | 11,996 | 27,624 | - | 48,000 |
| 914 | - | - | - | - | 15,086 | 16,000 |
| 13,860 | - | - | 18,140 | - | - | 32,000 |
| - | - | 33,600 | - | - | - | 33,600 |
| gun | 1,480,000 | - | - | - | - | 1,480,000 |
| " | 476,000 | - | - | - | - | 476,000 |
| | 1,839,000 | - | - | - | - | 1,839,000 |
| | 50,00 | - | - | - | - | 50,000 |

located in No 7 - 8 - 9- 10 must be sent to the nearest directional depot

EXHIBIT 4

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

NO. 21203/Serv A.P.O. 50, 30 June 1944

SUBJECT: Shipment of Ammunition on Allied Vessels.

TO : ORDNANCE HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA APO 50
ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE APO 50

MEMO TO: COLONEL KESSNER

Following and amending previous orders, you are informed that Allied Headquarters has defined the following procedure to be followed in regard to the preparation of munitions to be shipped by water transport.

1. The red band on the boxes is no longer required and as a consequence it is useless to apply this distinctive marking.

2. The grenades may be packed armed with fuses when the primer has been detached. In such cases the primers must be packed separately.

3. The Polish 100/22 ammunition must all be shipped fuseless. These fuses must be packed separately.

4. 81 mm mortar shells must be shipped fuseless. The fuses may be packed in the same box containing the shells if the shells are in metal containers and are three or less in number. In cases where the shells are packed in wooden boxes or are greater in number than three, the fuses must be packed separately.

5. Fixed shells may be shipped with the fuses up to but excluding 90 mm. Further instructions will be released concerning the 90/53 shells prior to the time of shipment since at present no orders have been issued for their shipment to the mainland.

6. Hand grenades must be provided with double securities packed in the normal way individually wrapped and each layer separated by cardboard and the box firmly packed in such a way as to prevent any shifting within the box. You are requested to expedite the preparations to the respective warehouses increasing if necessary the personnel by attaching from Artillery units in the immediate representatives the men needed. In order to avert urgent transportation of hundreds of tons at a time it is necessary that the depots request the allocation of railroad cars, for every concentration of ammunitions ready in an amount sufficient to load one car.

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THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF
/s/Lieut Col Mario Capello



EXHIBIT 5A

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C O P Y 26 July 44 /rrc TRANSLATION GC/gc 29 June 1944

WAR DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE
Ammunition Section E

Prot. no 151857
3600-65

Rome, 25 June 1944

SUBJECT: Instruction for the transport of shells and loaded cartridge-cases partially or completely supplied with elements forming the ignition chain.

.....ADDRESSES OMITTED.....

Whenever shells and loaded cartridge cases partially and completely supplied with the elements forming the ignition chain are to be transported, the following instructions shall be complied with:

F U Z E S:

a) - shells or cartridge cases of a caliber less than 65 mm can be transported already fitted with fuzes;

b) - shells of caliber greater than 149 mm must be transported without fuzes;

c) - shells or cartridge cases of caliber between 65 and 149 mm (inclusive) can be transported with the following fuzes; except for those which one of the following fuses must be fitted:

1) - percussion fuzes mod. 17
2) - " " " 1/35
3) - " " " 44 or mod 44/42

Fuzes ammunition must always be transported packed in proper boxes without primer (except of course for those supplied with fuzes with inside primer) and supplied with a false primer.

D E T O N A T O R S :

a) - Both detonators or equivalent charges of balistite must be fitted to:
1) - shells which as specified in paragraph 1 must be transported fitted with fuzes;



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2) - ammunition to be transported without fuzes but which have a special cap which prevent any eventual movement of the primary detonator during the transport.

3) - ammunition also not fitted with such cap which are composed with:

a) - balistite detonators (both those in which the supplementary or firing charge form a body and those in which the two elements are separated.

b) - high explosive detonators no 5 in which the primary and secondary charges are firmly connected together.

B) - Only the secondary detonators must, on the contrary, be fitted to the ammunition to be transported fuzeless and not supplied with the special cap for closing and which have the high explosive detonator fitted or not with a metallic covering of a type different from those shown in the previous paragraph.

Shells which are fitted with a foreign made primer are generally furnished with a secondary detonator from the time of their loading, because such detonators are packed in an apposite metallic case which is an airtight closing of the shell ogive. On the contrary, the primary detonator forms a body with the fuse and is fitted simultaneously or at the units (French and English ammunition) or be care of the ammunition factories (German ammunition).

It is understood that no special instructions are needed for the transportation of such shells. The above mentioned previsions refer to the fuzes and detonators employed at the present.

The present circular cancels all crevious provisions issued in this matter, exclusive circular no 80 of the special provisions A.M.A. part 2nd - 1936, which remain in force.

FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE
/s/ Frongia

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THE OFFICER IN CHARGE
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EXHIBIT 5 B (Cont'd)

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ROUTINE SECRET 161520 B

SIGNED CG NATOUSA CITE NATPN

TO FOR ACTION CG SOS NATOUSA FOR INFO CO MEDBASE, CO EASTBASE, CO IBI BASE, CG PENBASE, AGS, ADRIATIC GROUP, CO ATE BASE, CO NORBASE F 46716

TRANSPORTATION OF PERSONNEL ABOARD CARGO VESSELS IS SUBJECT.

IT IS THE ORDERS OF THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT PERSONNEL BE NOT TRANSPORTED BETWEEN ESTABLISHED PORTS ABOARD VESSELS WHOSE CARGO CONTAINS TYPES OF EXPLOSIVES SENSITIVE TO HIGH ORDER SYMPATHETIC DETONATION. SPECIFICALLY THIS WOULD BE: GP HE AIR CRAFT BOMBS OF ALL WEIGHTS, 4 AND 2/10 INCH FE MORTAR SHELLS, ROCKETS, RIFLE GRENADES, PRIMACORD AND PRIMACORD MATS, MINES A/T AND AP, SHAPED AND CRATERING DEMOLITION CHARGERS, BULK EXPLOSIVES AND DETONATORS, BANGALORES, OFFENSIVE GRENADES, SNAKES, NAVAL TORPEDOS AND MINES.

THE ABOVE ITEMS ARE LIKELY TO DETONATE IN MASS IF SUBJECTED TO THE EXPLOSIVE EFFECTS OF TORPEDOES, BOMBS OR MINES. THIS RESTRICTION WILL NOT APPLY TO SHIPS SAILING FROM A PORT DIRECTLY TO AN OPERATION SUCH AS DUKW TO SHINGLE.

IT WILL ALSO NOT APPLY TO CARGO SECURITY OR OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO THE VESSEL OR NECESSARY TO ACCOMPANY CARGO TO A MAXIMUM OF 50 PERSONNEL

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TRANSLATION GC/gc 21 JULY 1944

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

No 23470/Serv A.P.O. 50, 19 July 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition to be left in Sardinia

TO : HEADQUARTERS ALLIED GARRISON
Colonel Simmons' Office, Elmas

1. Caliber 75/18 and 149/19 ammunition are not included in the list of ammunition to be left in Sardinia.

2. Of the two divisions that should remain for the Island defence, the Calabria Division also includes in its T/O a 75/18 and a 149/19 Artillery Group.

3. It is requested whether the ammunition referred to in paragraph 1 must be prepared for the shipment to the mainland or whether 300 rounds per weapon can be left for the use of the aforementioned groups, namely:

- 2,400 75/18 rounds
- 2,400 149/19 rounds

Col K + file

By order
THE LIEUT COL DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF
Mario Capello/t/
Capello/s/

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Jc

(Copy to Lieut Col Kessner)

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Lt: Ammunition

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./gm. COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA(XIII C.A.)
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

N. 23470 /serv. di prot. P.M.50, 19 luglio 1944

OGGETTO : munizioni destinate a rimanere in Sardegna.-

AL COMANDO GUARNIGIONE ALLEATA
- Ufficio del Sig.Col.SIMMONS -
E L M A S

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1.- Nell'elenco delle munizioni che devono rimanere in Sardegna non sono compresi i calibri 75/18 e 149/19.-

2.- Delle due Divisioni che dovrebbero rimanere a difesa dell'Isola, la Divisione "Calabria" ha in organico anche un gruppo d'artiglieria da 75/18 ed un gruppo d'artiglieria da 149/19.

3.- Si chiede se le munizioni di cui al n. 1) devono essere tutte approntate per la spedizione in Continente oppure se può essere trattenuto un quantitativo di 300 colpi per pezzo per i bisogni dei gruppi citati e cioè :

- 2.400 colpi da 75/18
- 2.400 " 149/19.-

d'ordine
IL SOTTOCAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col.s.S.M.Mario Capello)

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TRANSLATION GC/vjt 21 July 1944

MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII A. C.)
T.A.V. Office - AA. AC. Section

No 588/AA

A.P.O. 50, 18 July 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, A3C APO 509

Reference letter dated 11 July.

The ammunition requested in letter referred to, exists on the island and is in the process of being prepared for shipment to the continent.

The following are already prepared and are being transported to the Monserrato Depot:

10 tons of balistite - 1 x 10 x 10
4,040 rounds caliber 149/19

By order
THE COLONEL CHIEF OF STAFF
Luigi Castellani /t/
Castellani /s/

(Copy to Lieut Col Kessner

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
- Ufficio T.A.V.-Sez.AA.AC. -

N° 588/AA. di prot. P.M.50 - 18/7/1944.

OGGETTO: Munizioni. -

AL COMANDO COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- A.S.C. -
APO 509

Rif. foglio in data 11 corrente. -

Le munizioni richieste col foglio a riferimento esistono nell'Isola e sono in via di approntamento per la spedizione in Continente. -

Le seguenti sono già pronte ed è in corso il trasporto al Deposito di Monserrato:

- 10 tonnellate di balistite da 1 x 10 x 10
- n. 4.040 colpi da 149/19. -

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Colonnello Luigi Castellani)

Rec'd 19 July 44

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

11 July 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. The Italian General Staff has requested the following ammunition to be sent to the mainland:

| | |
|---|---|
| For Capua Depot | 2400 rounds 149/19 |
| For 14 Base Ammunition Depot, Bitonto | 4600 rounds 149/19 |
| For Taranto Artillery Directorate | 10 tons Ballistite (in piastrelle decuple DXIOXIO) |

2. Please confirm whether you are in possession of the above amount and arrange for it to be prepared for inspection prior to shipping.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

PHM EGERTON
Major, R.E.M.F.

COPY:
Lieut. Col Kessner
Major Martin

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Ti: Ammo

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SUBJECT: Italian 14[illegible] Amm from SARDINIA

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Army Sub Commission A.C.C.
Main H.Q. (MAIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
AQ/90
7 July 44

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Copy to: ACC SARDINIA for SIMMONS
ACC Main for OFFENHAUSER
SMRE (Numr 4/2504/Serv of 6 July 44 refers)

Ref your signal Q 1628 of 3 July 44.

1. Italian General Staff have requested the transport from SARDINIA to mainland depots as shown, of the amm detailed in para 2 below.

2. To CAPUA Depot.....2400 rds 149/19
To 14 RAD, BITONTO.....4600 rds 149/19
To TARANTO Arty Directorate.....10 tons of BALLISTITE (in piastrelle decuplo LEIONIO)

The Ballistite is available in NUORO Arty Directorate, and is required for preparation of 4000 charges to complete a further 4000 rds available on the mainland.

3. The total weight of the amm and ballistite listed in para 2 is 460 tons.

4. Exact quantity of serviceable complete rounds of 149/19 amm in SARDINIA is not yet known, but it is believed to be approximately 7000 rds.

5. It is requested that the amm and ballistite shown in para 2 above may be brought over at the earliest possible moment. Will Col SIMMONS please arrange for the necessary amounts (already alerted by the Italians) to be prepared for shipment and loaded when shipping is available.

S Butterworth Maj
for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

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E Whitworth
for Maj Gen,
Army Sub Comm A.C.C.

CGL.

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(2) Lt Col Kennedy

Lib: Amm

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

14 July 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation for Ammunition.

TO : G-4 (Attention Transportation Officer).

1. Request transportation for 3000 tons ammunition, including ammunition considered sensitive to high order sympathetic detonation, from Cagliari to Naples.

2. Request one week's notice prior to arrival of transport to prepare and transport the ammunition from depot to dock.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

JEROME KESSNER
Lieut Col, Inf

Col Simmons:

Col Comins does not know when or if shipping will be available. He suggests AFHQ be contacted.

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File. Ammo

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

13 July 1944

SUBJECT: 149/19 Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. With reference to your letter No 21469 of 6 July 1944.

2. It is regretted that the cotton-thread spools and tape are not obtainable in Sardinia, and would take a great deal of time to procure. In view of the request of SMRE for shipment of 7000 rounds to the mainland (vide my letter of 11 July) it is suggested that you prepare this amount for shipment without changing the propelling charges.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

P.M.M. EGERTON
Major, R.A.F.

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HQC/A5C

TRANSLATION /GD

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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS OF SARDINIA (XIII ARMY CORPS)
Staff -- Service Section

File No. 21469. APO 50, 6 July 1944

SUBJECT: 149/19 Ammunition.

TO : Allied Garrison of Sardinia, Elmas.
(Col. SIMMONS' Office)
For Info: The War Ministry
(Ordnance General Directorate--Ammunition Section)
(Reference to letter 9262/M dated 27 June 1944)

The Ordnance General Directorate of the War Ministry has directed that the propelling charges for 149/19 shells be urgently changed.

The above Minister dispatched with reference letter the urgent preparation of the subject ammunition, which fact leads to the assumption that said ammunition will soon be transferred to Italy for the Italian Army of Liberation.

The Nuoro Ordnance Directorate has informed that for the changing of the above charges 20, 057 small bags are necessary, and at least 400 white cotton-thread spools are required to sew them. Moreover, the two elements of the propelling charge are to be tied together crosswise and 30,000 meters of white tape 1/2 centimeter high are required for the purpose.

This headquarters, as already indicated by the Military Intendance of Sardinia with letter 1996/SM., dated 22 January, is unable to supply the Ordnance Directorate with the above spools (which are greatly needed for the urgent repairs of the soldiers' clothing) and the tape.

Therefore I earnestly request your headquarters to kindly examine the possibility of allotting a sufficient quantity of the above materiel in order to have the subject ammunition prepared as soon as possible.

The Commanding General
- GIOVANNI MAGLI -

/s/ Magli

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PM/gm.

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
- Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi -

N. 21409/serv. di prot. P.M.50, 6 luglio 1944

OGGETTO : munizioni da 149/19.-

AL COMANDO GUARNIGIONE ALLEATA DELLA SARDEGNA
- Ufficio del Sig. Colonnello SIMMONS - E L M A S

e, per conoscenza :

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Direz.Gen.Art.-Div.Muniz.-Sez.II - P.M. 107
(RII.I.9202/a-11 in data 27/6/44)

La Direzione Generale di Artiglieria del Ministero della Guerra ha disposto l'urgente trasformazione delle cariche di lancio per granate da 149/19.

Col foglio a riferimento il citato Ministero ha sollecitato l'urgente approntamento del munizionamento in oggetto, il che fa presumere che dette munizioni dovranno presto essere trasferite in Continente per il Corpo Italiano di Liberazione.

La Direzione Artiglieria di Nuoro ha segnalato che per la trasformazione delle citate cariche occorre confezionare 20.057 sacchetti per cucire i quali avvisognano almeno 400 rocchetti di filo bianco di cotone. Inoltre i due elementi della carica di lancio devono essere fra di loro legati in croce ed all'uopo occorrono 30.000 metri di rettuccia bianca alta circa ½ centimetro.-

Questo Comando, come ha già fatto presente l'Intendenza Militare Sardegna col foglio 1990/SM. in data 22 gennaio scorso, non è in grado di assegnare alla Direzione Artiglieria ne i rocchetti di filo dei quali ha pure grande necessità per le sempre più necessarie riparazioni del vestiario dei militari, ne la rettuccia.

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Rivolgo pertanto viva preghiera a codesto Comando 2560 esaminare la possibilità dell'assegnazione di un congruo quantitativo dei citati materiali allo scopo di far approntare al più presto le munizioni in oggetto.-

INTENDENZA FF.AA. DELLA SARDEGNA

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Giovanni MAGLI -

Magli

Uff. : Armo

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1. I certify that (such and such shipment-identify it) consists of Italian ammunition and/or explosives of the following types:

Hand grenade
Small arms Ammunition
Artillery Ammunition
etc.
etc.

2. I further certify that:

a) The various items composing the shipment are packed in original containers or adequate equivalents thereof;

b) The containers are sound such that they will withstand ordinary wear and tear incident to motor, rail and sea transport and frequent loadings into and off railcars, trucks, vessels, etc, without damage that will destroy the function of the container;

c) The containers have been properly marked so as to indicate accurately the nature of their contents;

d) The various articles have been so prepared, packed, and otherwise treated so as to render them safe for shipment and in accordance with the prescribed practice in the Italian Army.

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA F 1
Office of the G - 4
APO 534

2 July 1944

Memorandum to Col. Simmons:

1. Herewith is resume of AFHQ's instructions relative to shipment of certain 88 mm AA ammunition from Sardinia.

a. In AFHQ message 14 June, they indicated 31706 rounds 88 mm Flak ammunition were to be moved by us to Cagliari for shipment. (Figure was based on our report of late last year to AFHQ on surplus equipment, ammunition, etc, in hands of the Italian in Sardinia.)

b. Investigation made by Capt. McDermott, 74th AAA Group for me disclosed the following:

(1) Only 88 mm ammunition on hand is German.

(2) A minor quantity is at Olbia badly mixed and dangerous to handle.

(3) Approximately 26,000 rounds are near Telti consisting of serviceable, safe, but badly mixed HE, Armor Piercing and Point Detonating types:

70% is H.E.
30% is AP and PD

(4) At Proto Sardo (near Nuoro) are approximately 7000 rounds H.E. and 2600 rounds AP and PD (mixed), all serviceable and easy to get at and ship.

c. I notified AFHQ of the status.

d. AFHQ message today directs the following be moved to Cagliari at once for export:

6650 rounds 88 mm H.E.
350 " 88 mm A.P. (No F.D.)
7000 rounds Total.

2. I suggest the order be met from the stock near Nuoro via rail to Macomer, thence to Cagliari which can be coordinated with Conine.

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C.K. HARDING
Colonel, T.C.

How soon could Italians have it ready to load on rail cars at Nuoro?
As discussed - Col Harding to issue instructions on/or after 15 July. HC
File HC

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Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 520, U.S. Army

6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation of Ammunition.

TO : G-4 (Attention Transportation Officer).

1. Request transportation for the ammunition indicated below to be consigned to Deposito di Manziana Semoviario.

| DEPOT | RAILHEAD | DATE | QUANTITY |
|---|---|---|---|
| Teliti | Lenti | 16 July 44 | 343 tons |
| Prato Nardo | Prato Nardo | 18 July 44 | 584 tons |
| Campomale | Scala di Giocca | 18 July 44 | 537 tons |
| Palau | Palau | | 1370 tons |

2. The tonnage at Prato Nardo includes 154 tons of 88mm ammunition (German) which has been ordered to be in readiness not later than 15 July. Further shipping instructions for the 88mm ammunition will be issued by Colonel Harding.

3. The date for the Palau shipment will be dependent on availability of water transportation, and for which six days notice will be required for preparation and transportation of ammunition from depot to port.

4. Italian depots will provide loading crews at Monte Prato Nardo, Scala di Giocca and Palau.

For Colonel F. L. [illegible]

JAMES KIMMEL
Lieut Colonel, Infantry

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File: Ammo 9K

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

6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. It is requested that the following ammunition be delivered to railheads and consigned to your ammunition depot at Monserrato as indicated below.

| DEPOT | RAILHEAD | DATE | TONNAGE |
|---|---|---|---|
| Telti | Monti | 16 July 44 | 543 |
| Prato Sardo | Prato Sardo | 16 July 44 | 430 |
| Capo Mele | Scala di Giocca | 14 July 44 | 257 |
| Palau | Palau | | 2300 |

2. It is requested that the following ammunition be available for shipment at your depot Prato Sardo, not later than 15 July 44.

6650 rounds, Anti-Aircraft (German)
350 rounds, Armor Piercing (German)

This ammunition should be packed in individual marked metal containers as follow:

85mm AA or 88mm AP as appropriate.

3. Loading crews will be required at the following railheads on the date above indicated: Monti, Prato Sardo, Scala di Giocca, and Palau.

4. The date for delivery to Palau will be furnished to you in the near future. Ample time will be provided to transport the ammunition from the depot to the port.

5. Ammunition in excess of the tonnages listed above at the above mentioned depots or on hand at other depots should be transported by whatever means available to you, until further notice. This may include not only the ammunition listed for immediate shipment to the mainland and or Sicily, but other types earmarked for subsequent shipment.

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For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

JESSE E. GLESSNER
Lieut Colonel, Infantry

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

5 July 1944

SUBJECT: 88mm Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Confirming that the under-mentioned ammunition is to be made ready for shipment forthwith:

6650 rounds H.E. FLAK, 88mm

350 rounds A.P., 88mm

2. It is understood that you will have this ammunition ready for shipment on or about 18 July. Please confirm.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

P.M.M. EGERTON
Major, R.IR.F.



File: Ammo

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ROUTINE 011457B SECRET

FROM NATOUSA F 66882

TO FOR ACTION CG, ACC SARDINIA

CITE HOL 499 NAJRC SIGNED CG NATOUSA

YOUR RADIO WM 281 OF 24 JUNE IS REFERENCE. REQUEST YOU MOVE 7,000 ROUNDS 88 MM FLAK OF WHICH 6650 ROUNDS ARE 88 MM FLAK, HE, AND 350 ROUNDS ARE 88 MM FLAK, AP TO CAGLIARI PORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE. REQUEST YOU NOTIFY THIS HEADQUARTERS WHEN AMMUNITION IS ASSEMBLED AT PORT READY FOR SHIPMENT.

RESCRIPT/gc 2 JULY 1944

Copy to Lieut Col Kessner

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24 JUNE 1944

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA G-4

ROUTINE SECRET

CG NATOUSA FOR JOINT REARMAMENT COMMISSION

CG AGC SARDINIA AGS FOX - 499

EIGHT EIGHT MIKE MIKE FLAK AMMUNITION IS SUBJECT REFERENCE YOUR FOX FIVE NINE FOUR TWO ONE CITE NAJRC RPT NAJRC PD BEST INFORMATION IS THAT SUCH AMMUNITION IS GERMAN APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS CLN TWO FIVE FIVE ZERO ZERO ROUNDS HIGH EXPLOSIVE SMCLN ONE ZERO FIVE ZERO ZERO ROUNDS ARMOR PIERCING AND POINT DETONATING MIXED PD AMMUNITION IN TWO LOCALITIES AND BADLY MIXED AND WILL REQUIRE THREE WEEKS TO ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ TO SEGREGATE AND MOVE ALL TO CAGLIARI PORT AFTER NOTIFIED TO PROCEED PD CAN MOVE TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS HIGH EXPLOSIVE TO CAGLIARI ONE WEEKS NOTICE PD NECESSARY TO KNOW EXACT TYPE EIGHT EIGHT MIKE MIKE DESIRED

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C.K. HARDING COLONEL G-4

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI CAPT ADJUTANT GENERAL

Twelve copies from G-4

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

2 July 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation for Ammunition

TO : G-4 (Attention Transportation Officer)

1. There is presently available in the vicinity of Palau, 500 tons small arms ammunition for consignment to Deposito Artiglieria Di Monserrato for which transportation is requested.

2. Request you advise as to place, date and hour for loading, together with the necessity for providing loading crews.

3. Six days after receipt of notice from you will be required for preparation and transportation of the above ammunition to the point selected by you.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

JEROME KESSNER
Lieut Col, Infantry



Fils. Ammo

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____
(do not use)

Date 27 JUNE 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence OPERATIONAL PRIORITY Security Classification SECRET

TO: PENBASE RPT AAI CMA BRITA CMA ACC MAIN FOR OFFENHAUER

From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED EGERTON Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 222

THE FOLLOWING ANIMALS CMA AMMUNITION AND PERSONNEL ARE BEING LOADED ON CHATEAU LATOUR AND DWIGHT MORROW PD CHATEAU LATOUR CLN ONE EIGHT SEVEN HORSES CMA FIVE ZERO MEN CMA THREE OFFICERS SMCLN SIX POINT FIVE RIFLE AMMUNITION CMA ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO SIX EIGHT ZERO ROUNDS RPT TEN MILLION SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY ROUNDS CMA THREE TWO SEVEN TONS SMCLN SIX POINT FIVE LIGHT MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION CMA TWO ZERO ZERO ONE THREE SIX ZERO ROUNDS RPT TWO MILLION ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRET SIXTY ROUNDS CMA SEVEN THREE TONS CMA TWO MEN ESCORT PD DWIGHT MORROW CLN SEVEN SIX TWO MULES CMA EIGHT ITALIAN OFFICERS AND TWO ZERO ZERO MEN CMA EIGHT AMERICAN ENLISTED MEN AND LIEUTENANT ROBERT ITEM MILLER PD EASY TARE ABLE PEKO

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From: AGC SAMOUNA SIGNED EGERTON

Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 222

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Prepared by P.M.M. EGERTON (name) MAJOR (rank) R.Inf. (org)

Authenticated by M. C. SMITH (name) MAJOR (rank) A.C. (org)

File Ammunition - Misc

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

24 June 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation of Ammunition.

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia.

1. Request that on shipments of ammunition to Italy and Sicily, the following information be furnished to this office, as soon as loads are definitely determined:

Date of shipment
Name of ship
Destination
Type of ammunition
Number of rounds
Weight
Depot from which finally obtained

2. Where the ammunition is shipped from two or more depots, please list separately.

For Colonel F. L. [illegible]:

JEROME KESSNER
Lieut Col, Infantry

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Information above is required for a voucher and may be incorporated in Italian Certificate of "Use for shipment" [illegible] same paper and extra report,

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File Ammunition

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Y JK/vjt.

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

23 June 1944

SUBJECT: Transportation of Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Request that the following ammunition be delivered to the Allied Port Authorities, Cagliari commencing 24 June 1944 at 0700 hours for loading on Chateau Latourr.

10000000 Rounds for Arms Model 91 Cal. 6.5 Weight 327 Tons
2 085 000 Rounds for Breda Light Machine Gun Model 30 Cal. 6.5 Weight 73 Tons

2. The above ammunition has been reported ready for shipment at your Monterrato depot.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

JEROME KEBSNER
Lieut Col., Infantry

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File: Ammunition

TRANSLATION GC/gc 22 JUNE 1944

Pn/vr

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

TABLE SHOWING THE AMMUNITION READY AND AVAILABLE FOR DISPATCH TO THE CONTINENT AS OF 19 JUNE 1944:

| Type of ammunition | Ready at the Siliqua Depot | | Ready at the Monserrato Depot | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Amount | Weight in tons | Amount | Weight in tons |
| Rounds for arms mod. 91 | | | 10,000,000 | 327 |
| Rounds for Breda light machine gun mod. 30 cal. 6,5, | | | 4,000,000 | 140 |
| 20 mm shells for Oerlikon AA | | | 90,000 | 36 |
| 47/32 mm shells | | | 20,482 | 65 |
| 65/17 mm armor percing shells | 1,800 | 11.6 | | |
| 81 mm mortar shells | 21,940 | 250 | 10,000 | 60 |
| 81 mm mortar shells high explosive | 20,000 | | | |
| Elementary charges for 81 mm mortar shells | 6,000 | 0.3 | 14,367 | 0.7 |
| Supplementary charges " " " " | 144,000 | 4.2 | 75,537 | 2.2 |
| Fuses I/R for 81 mm mortar shells | 34,000 | 5 | 2,134 | 0.3 |
| 75/13 complete rounds | - | - | 27,258 | 191 |
| 100/22 mod. 32 complete rounds | 8,000 | 140 | | |
| 100/17 mod. 32 or 36 complete rounds | 14,000 | 210 | | |
| Balistite 1.2 x 12 x 12 | 890 Kg. | 1 | | |
| TOTALS: | | 622.1 tons | | 822.2 tons |

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Pn/vr

COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
S-tato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

PROSPETTO DEL MUNIZIONAMENTO APPRONTATO E DISPONIBILE PER LA SPEDIZIONE IN CONTINENTE
ALLA DATA DEL 19 GIUGNO 1944=

| Specie del munizionamento | Approntato presso il deposito di Villiqua | | Approntato presso il Deposito di Monserrat | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Quantità | Peso Tonn. | Quantità | Peso Tonn. |
| Cartucce a pallottola per armi 91 | | | 10.000.000 | 327 |
| " " " " fuc.mitra Brodd mod.30 cal.6,5 | | | 4.000.000 | 140 |
| Cartocci granata da 20 m/m Oerlikon c.a. | | | 90.000 | 36 |
| " " " 47/32 | | | 20.482 | 65 |
| " " " 65/17 perforanti | 1.800 | 11,6 | | |
| Bombe da 81 di gh.acc. | 21.940 | 250 | 10.000 | 60 |
| " " " a gr.cap. | 20.000 | | | |
| Cariche fondamentali per bombe da 81 | 6.000 | 0,3 | 14.367 | 0,7 |
| " aggiuntive " " " " | 144.000 | 4,2 | 75.537 | 2,2 |
| Spolette I/R per bombe da 81 | 34.000 | 5 | 2.134 | 0,3 |
| Colpi completi da 75/13 | - | - | 27.258 | 191 |
| " " " 100/22 mod.32 | 8.000 | 140 | | |
| " " " 100/17 a d.e.mod.32 o 36 | 14.000 | 210 | | |
| Balistite 1,2 x 12 x 12 | Kg. 890 | 1. | | |

Titolo 622,1

Titolo 822,2

c.s. Kesselring
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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIX C.A.)
S-tato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi

O DEL MUNIZIONAMENTO APPRONTATO E DISPONIBILE PER LA SPEDIZIONE IN CONTINENTE
A DEL 19 GIUGNO 1944=

| uzionamento | Approntato presso il deposito di Siligua | | Approntato presso il Deposito di Monserrato | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Quantità | Peso Tonn. | Quantità | Peso Tonn. |
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| 2 x 12 x 12 | Kg. 890 | 1. | | |

Tabb 622,2 Tabb 822,2

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF AMMUNITION IN SARDINIA.

17 June 44.

| 1 Ser. | 2 Type | 3 Amount on hand | 4 For Sicily | 5 For Sardinia | 6 Ready to ship | 7 Finally to ship |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 105/28 | 28,567 | | | | 28,567 |
| 2 | 100/22 | 92,077 | | | 58,000 | 92,077 |
| 3 | 100/17 | 193,496 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 109,496 |
| 4 | 75/27 | 395,819 | 36,000 | 48,000 | | 311,819 |
| 5 | 75/18 | 6,056 | | | | 6,056 |
| 6 | 75/13 | 82,730 | | | 27,258 | 82,730 |
| 7 | 65/17 | 111,117 | | | 1,800 | 111,117 |
| 8 | 47/32 | 182,708 | 12,000 | 16,000 | 20,488 | 164,708 |
| 9 | Mortai 81 mm. | 125,809 | 25,200 | 33,600 | 90,000 | 67,009 |
| 10 | Mortai 45 mm. | 688,278 | | | | 688,278 |
| 11 | 20 mm doppio imp. | 804,927 | 24,000 | 32,000 | | 748,927 |
| 12 | Mitfa Cal. 8 s.l.i. | 19,313,027 | 1,110,000 | 1,480,000 | | 16,723,027 |
| 13 | Fucile Mit.Cal. 6.5 | 22,478,821 | 357,000 | 476,000 | 4,000,000 | 21,645,821 |
| 14 | Moschetto Auto cal 7 | 235,779 | | | | 235,779 |
| 15 | Fucile Cal. 6.5 | 43,833,237 | 1,417,200 | 1,889,600 | 10,000,000 | 40,526,437 |
| 16 | Pistole Cal.9 | 1,524,217 | 50,000 | 50,000 | | 1,424,217 |
| 17 | Pistole Cal.7.65 | 21,716 | | | | 21,716 |
| 18 | Bombe a mano | 866,715 | | | | 866,715 |
| 19 | Elementi fond. 81 | | | | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| 20 | Elementi aggiun. 81 | | | | 164,000 | 164,000 |
| 21 | Spolette I.R. 81 | | | | 22,500 | 22,500 |
| 22 | Ballistite | | | | Kg.890 | Kg.890 |

N.B. All other types of ammunition not referred to above will be retained in Sardinka pending further instructions as to disposal.

Gen Biscari - Directs by wire, Marino

1. 2000 shipped Ravenfoot - 1800 lbs with waste - rest in dumps.
2. 3460 Ravenfoot, 2350 Sicily; 20 000 lbs waste,
3. 13500 with waste,
5. 9000 shipped Ravenfoot
6. 7274 shipped Ravenfoot
7. 2000 shipped
8. 8208 "
9. Sicily A 10000 shipped
13. Marino 4,000,000 ready,
15. " 15,000 " - 10 000 shipped
18. 150 000 shipped

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

10 June 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition

TO : Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. Your letter No. 17791/serv. di prot. dated 4 June 1944 refers.

2. Orders have been received as to the disposal of ammunition held in Sardinia, as under.

3. Ammunition to be kept in Sardinia and especially earmarked as first line ammunition for the Corps of two Divisions which will ultimately garrison the island:

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 48,000 |
| 75/27 | 48,000 |
| 47/32 | 16,000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 32,000 |
| 81 mm HE | 33,600 |
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 1,480,000 |
| LMG | 476,000 |
| Rifle 6.5 | 1,889,600 |
| Pistol | 50,000 |

This ammunition should be collected at once and held pending issue.

4. Ammunition to be despatched to Sicily for use of XII Corps:

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 36,000 |
| 75/27 | 36,000 |
| 47/32 | 12,000 |
| 20 mm HE & AP | 24,000 |
| 81 mm HE | 25,200 |
| 8 mm MMG Breda | 1,110,000 |
| LMG | 357,000 |
| Rifle 6.5 | 1,417,200 |
| Pistol | 50,000 |

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This ammunition will be collected at Cagliari forthwith and m/s ready for shipment.

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5. Ammunition required on the mainland for SMIE. This is in substitution of the list forwarded by you as having been requisitioned by SMIE:

| | |
|---|---|
| 105/28<br>100/22<br>100/17<br>75/27<br>75/18<br>75/13<br>65/17<br>47/32<br>Mortai da 81 mm<br>Mortai da 45 mm<br>20 mm a doppio impiego<br>Mitra. cal. 8 s.i.i.<br>Fucile mitrag. cal. 6.5<br>Moschetto automatico<br>Fucile cal. 6.5<br>Pistole cal. 9<br>Pistole cal. 7.65<br>Bombe a mano<br>Elementi fond. da 81<br>Elementi aggiunt. da 81<br>Spolette I.R. da 81<br>Ballistite | ALL AVAILABLE, after deducting amounts shown in paragraphs 3 and 4 above. |

This ammunition will be collected in a different depot at Cagliari and made ready for IMMEDIATE shipment.

6. With regard to the preparation of ammunition for shipment please refer to my letter dated 4 June 1944 on that subject.

7. It is requested that you take immediate steps to segregate these three lots of ammunition, as shipment of that shown in paragraph 5 will take place as soon as you report that it is ready.

For Colonel F. L. SIMMONS:

P. M. M. [redacted]
Major, I. AR. F.

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Ammunition to be kept in Sardinia.

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 48,000 |
| 75/27 | 48,000 |
| 47/32 | 16,000 |
| 20 mm. HE & AP | 32,000 |
| 81 mm. HE | 33,600 |
| 8 mm. MMG Breda | 1,480,000 |
| LMG | 476,000 |
| Rifles, 6.5 | 1,889,600 |
| Pistols | 50,000 |

Ammunition to be held in Sardinia, earmarked for shipment to Sicily

| | |
|---|---|
| 100/22 or 17 | 36,000 |
| 75/27 | 36,000 |
| 47/32 | 12,000 |
| 20 mm. HE & AP | 24,000 |
| 81 mm. HE | 25,200 |
| 8 mm. MMG Breda | 1,110,000 |
| LMG | 357,000 |
| Rifles 6.5 | 1,417,200 |
| Pistols | 50,000 |

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TRANSLATION GC/gc 5 JUNE 1944

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

NO. 17591/Serv. A.P.O. 50, 4 June 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition situation

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub-commission, Colonel Simmons' Office

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As per verbal request herewith is forwarded a situation of the ammunition available as of 15 May 1944:

- with the units
- at the sector-depots
- at the Ordnance Directorate depots

In addition a table of the ammunition requested by S.M.R.E. for CIL now at the two depots of Siliqua and Monserrato near Cagliari and ready for embarkation, is forwarded.

By order of
The Lt Col Depytu Chief of Staff
Mario Capello/t/
Capello/s/

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COMANDO MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi -

N. 1451/ Serv. di prot. P.M. 50, 4 giugno 1944

OGGETTO : situazione meridionale.

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
- Sottocommissione per l'Esercito -
- Ufficio Col Sig.Col.STRONG - E L M A S

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Riferimento richiesta verbale, si trasmette allegata alla presente una situazione, riferita alla data del 15/5/c.a., delle ripartizioni esistenti :

- presso i reparti ;
- presso i depositi materiali
- presso i depositi della Direz. artiglieria.

Si allega inoltre un elenco delle esercitazioni richieste dalle S.M.A.D. per il Corpo Italiano di Liberazione che si vorrebbe prima in Sardegna e successivamente in Calabria e Campania di Utilità e Manovrate.-

d'ordine
IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE f.f.
(Gen.Col.S.S.M.Mario Capello)

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Rec'd: 11:15
5 June 44
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COMANDO MILITARE SARDEGNA (XIII C.A.)
Stato Maggiore - Ufficio Servizi -

MUNIZIONI RICHIESTE DALLO S.M.R.E. PER L'INVIO IN CONTINENTE ED ANCORA DA IMBARCARE

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Colpi cmpl. da | 47/32 | m. 20.482 (1) | tons. | 65 |
| " " " | 75/13 | " 27.258 | " | 191 |
| " " " | 65/17 | " 1.800 | " | 12 |
| " " " | 100/22 | " 58.000 | " | 950 |
| " " per mort. | 81 | " 90.000 | " | 550 |
| Elementi fond. da | 81 | " 15.000 | " | 0,5 |
| " aggiunt. da | 81 | " 164.000 | " | 4,5 |
| Spolette I.R. da | 81 | " 22.500 | " | 4,5 |
| Cartucce per fuc. mitr. cal. 6,5 | | "4.000.000 | " | 140 |
| Cartucce p. armi mod. 91 cal. 6,5 | | 10.000.000 | " | 327 |
| Balistite 1,2x12x12 | | Kg. 890 | " | 1 |
| | | | | 2245,5 |

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PRIORITY 242240 CONFIDENTIAL

TO Q FILFOT RPT Q REAR EIGHT ARMY, ADNAP, FALCON FOR SIMMONS - AGS

PLEASE PASS.

FROM MMIA CITE AQ 1016 OF 24

REFERENCE YOUR Q 1052 AND Q 1053.

FIRST - BID FORWARDED FOR POMIGLIANO CONFERENCE ON 27 APRIL TO RAIL IN PERIOD 1 - 7 MAY 530 TONS AMMUNITION INCLUDING 5300 ROUNDS 81 MM MORTAR EX CALABRIA TO CAPUA. MMIA SIGNAL MOVEMENT 93 OF 23 TO MOVE FILFOT REFERS

SECOND - BID ALSO FOR 5000 ROUNDS 81 MM MORTAR (40 TONS) EX CASAPANO (APULIA) TO CAPUA. MMIA SIGNAL MOVE 97 OF 24 TO MOVE FILFOT REFERS

THIRD - NO 73/13 PACK HOWITZER AMMUNITION ON MAINLAND

FOURTH - REFERENCE AMMUNITION EX SARDINIA SIMMONS INFORMED PARTICULARS INCLUDING 75/13

FIFTH - ALL INFORMED

gc/ RESCRIPT 25 APRIL 1944

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See record signal Q 1052 and Q 1053

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Allegato VII

## MUNIZIONI PER IL CORPO REALIANO DI LIBERAZIONE

Fondo 4/1304/Serv. Coll.'1/5/544 Coll. S.I.M.I.

| Tipo | Quantità | N° Colpi | Peso unitario della cartuccia | Peso |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| colpi completi da 47/32 | 80.000 | 2.500 | | |
| " " " 75/18 | 90.000 | 16.666 | | |
| " " " 105/28 | 20.000 | 10.000 | | |
| " " per mortai 81 | 100.000 | 33.333 | | |
| bombe a mano | 50.000 | 695 | | |
| cartucce per pistola Beretta cl.9 | 110.000 | 26 | | |
| elementi fondamentali per bombe da 81 | 42.000 | 49 | | |
| elementi aggiuntivi per bombe da 81 | 240.000 | 333 | | |
| spolette per bombe da 81 | 42.000 | 240 | | |
| | | 64.442 | | |

(1) 40.000 Siliqua
40.000 Maccomer
(2) 45734 Siliqua
19996 Cagliari (Is Mirionis)
(3) 1.979 [illegible]
9038 Siliqua
[illegible] Maccomer

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CORPO REALE DI LIBERAZIONE

Nulla S.M.E.n.

| N° Campo | Peso unitario della carga | Peso complessivo | Volume no. | Dislocazione |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2.900 | | Zona: 261 | | (1) |
| 16.666 | | " 415,65 | | (2) |
| 10.000 | | " 460 | | (3) |
| 33.333 | | " 433,30 | | Napoletano |
| 695 | | 77,85 | | Biliqua |
| 26 | | 1,73 | | S.Zuri |
| 49 | | 1,24 | | Monserrato |
| 333 | | 6,07 | | |
| 840 | | 11,99 | | |
| 64.442 | | 1610,01 | | |

COMANDO 184ª DIVISIONE "N E M B O"

Ufficio Stato Maggiore

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| DENOMINAZIONI MUNIZIONI | ESISTENZA PRESSO I REPARTI | PESO IN TONN.TE | ESISTENZA AI DEPOSITI DI MONSERRATO E SILIQUA | PESO IN TONNELLATE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| - Bombe a mano | 48.552 | 16.200 | 474.638 | 227.980 |
| - Cartucc.pistola c.9 m.34 | 33.500 | 0.300 | 175.800 | 1.680 |
| - Cart.Armi M.91 c. 6.5 | 117.370 | 2.800 | 1.695.630 | 52.000 |
| - Cart.per moschett. 38/A | 2.055.140 | 82.200 | 1.790.350 | 71.600 |
| - Cart.per fuc.mtr.c.6,5 | 711.027 | 24.500 | 5.450.973 | 186.900 |
| - Cart.per mitra Breda 37 | 313.500 | 11.600 | 1.826.500 | 67.200 |
| - Cart.per fuc.Mauser | 22.200 | 0.900 | 171.830 | 7.200 |
| - Bombe C.C.per fuc.Mauser | 2.664 | 1.300 | 23.266 | 11.900 |
| - Mortai da 45 | 2.728 | 1.100 | 93.272 | 61.500 |
| - Bombe mortai da 81 | 7.973 | 34.500 | 148.047 | 604.500 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 47/32 ord. | 2.884 | 12.150 | 29.756 | 120.000 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 47/32.perf | 5.750 | 16.500 | 58.600 | 184.200 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 20 mm. | 16.128 | 5.400 | 113.369 | 37.500 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 75/27 | 3.200 | 22.400 | 40.284 | 268.800 |
| TOTALE DEL PESO | | 234.000 | | 1.903.160 |

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| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| - Cart.per fuc.mitr.c.c.5 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| - Cart.per mitra Breda 37 | 313.500 | 11.800 | 1.826.500 | 67.200 |
| - Cart.per fuc.Mauser | 22.200 | 0.900 | 171.830 | 7.200 |
| - Bombe C.C.per fuc.Mauser | 2.664 | 1.300 | 23.266 | 11.900 |
| - Mortai da 45 | 2.728 | 1.100 | 93.272 | 61.900 |
| - Bombe mortai da 81 | 7.973 | 34.500 | 148.047 | 604.500 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 47/32 ord. | 2.884 | 12.150 | 29.756 | 120.000 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 47/32.perf | 5.760 | 16.500 | 58.300 | 184.200 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 20 mm. | 16.128 | 5.400 | 113.389 | 37.500 |
| - Cartoccio gr.da 75/27 | 3.200 | 22.400 | 40.264 | 268.800 |
| TOTALE DEL PESO | | 234.000 | | 1.903.100 |

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TO: MAJOR MARTIN

2 March 1944

FROM: A.E. ZEGARELLI

SUBJECT: Location, weight, and number of German bombs, type S.D., located in Sardinia.

| LOCATION | Weight in Kilos | Number of Bombs |
|---|---|---|
| Serrenti | 1000 | 85 |
| | 500 | 56 |
| | 250 | 27 |
| Decimo | 500 | 87 |
| | 250 | 25 |
| | 50 | 76 |
| Ponte Murone | 500 | 87 |
| | 250 | 546 |
| | 50 | 850 |
| | 70 | 930 |
| Venaficrita | 250 | 52 |
| Chilivini | 250 | 130 |
| | 50 | 100 |
| | 500 | 40 |

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BRITISH SECRET EQUALS AMERICAN SECRET /rrc

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FROM: No. 328 Wing, R.A.F.

TO : HQ Allied Garrison.

DATE: 24th February, 1944.

REF; 328/S.517/1/Ars.

German Bombs, S.D.B.

Can you state whether there are any stocks of the above available in this island and if so, where they are located.

2. This information is urgently required for Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force.

for
Group Captain, Commanding
No. 328 Wing - R.A.F.

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/rrc RESCRIPT 29 MARCH 1944

ROUTINE 281135A SECRET

FROM CG NORBASE CITE ENGDS

TO CG ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA

NOW ON HAND AJACCIO ALL AVAILABLE STOCK OF 9 MM AMMUNITION.,
26500 ROUNDS FOR BERETTA RIFLE AND 22,000 ROUNDS FOR PISTOL. CAN
LOAD AT AJACCIO AIRPORT UPON YOUR CALL

SECRET SECRET SECRET

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

19 March 1944

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Weapons and Ammunition in Corsica

TO : Col. Simmons

Attached hereto, marked 1, is a statement of the munitions the Italians have on Corsica. The munitions are actually in the custody of the French but are available for the use of the Italians.

List 2 indicates the Artillery and ammunition ceded to the French.

JEROME KESSNER.
Lt Col, Inf.

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Also munitions

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from original Italian troops in Corsica

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COMANDO TRUPPE ITALIANE IN CORSICA
Ceded to French

Servizio di Artiglieria

| Pezzi da(Guns): | 1-15/11 | 16-30/11 | 1-15/12 | 16-31/12 | 1-28/2 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 105/28 | - | 12 | - | - | - |
| 100 | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| 75/27 | - | - | - | 12 | - |
| 75/27 C.K. | - | - | 12 | - | - |
| 75/46 | - | - | - | 6 | - |
| 65/17 | 8 | - | 7 | - | - |
| 75/13 | 12 | 10 | - | - | - |
| 47/32 | - | - | 28 | 14 | - |
| Mitragliere da 20 | - | 12 | - | - | - |
| Mortai da 81 | 33 | - | 27 | 16 | - |
| Fucilioni "S" | 27 | 28 | - | 28 | - |
| Mitra Breda | 2 | - | 2 | - | - |
| 75/18 | - | - | - | - | 8 |

Munizionamento (Ammunition)

| | | | | | 1-31/1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Colpi da: | | | | | |
| 105/28 | - | - | - | 6859 | 18721 |
| 75/46 | - | - | - | 3103 | 2612 |
| 75/27 | - | - | 2000 | 14291 | 48430 |
| 75/27 C.K. | - | - | 5642 | 946 | 18998 |
| 75/18 | - | - | - | 1531 | 4489 |
| 75/13 | 751 | 2313 | 112 | 19014 | 29006 |
| 75/13 a palletta | - | 767 | 456 | - | - |
| 75/13 mod. 32 | - | - | 4625 | - | - |
| 75/13/18 | - | - | 490 | - | - |
| 65/17 | - | 1464 | - | 5705 | 21381 |
| 47/32 ord. | 2303 | 4676 | - | - | 12181 |
| 47/32 perf. | 4150 | 4379 | - | - | 13973 |

| Colpi da: | 1 - 28/2 |
|---|---|
| 47/32 | 9766 |
| 47/32 ord. | 4998 |
| 75/46 | 4708 |
| 75 | 240 |
| 65 | 491 |

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MUNIZIONAMENTO ITALIANO PRESSO I DEPOSITI FRANCESI

| | |
|---|---|
| Calibro 6,5 | 6,800,000 |
| Calibro 8 | 4,300,000 |
| Calibro 7,35 ) | |
| Calibro 9 ) | 200,000 |
| Calibro 10,25 ) | |
| Calibro 12,7 ) | |
| Calibro 13,2 ) | |
| Bombe mortai 45 | 297,000 |
| Cart. gran. 47/32 | 15,600 |
| Granate da 100/17 | 45,300 |
| Granate da 149/13 | 21,700 |
| Granate da 88 | 450 |
| Bombe a mano | 54,000 |
| Bombe contro carro | 800 |

Totale 2796 tonn.

20 February 1944

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Allied Force Headquarters
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Land Forces Sub-commission
A.P.O. 569, U.S. Army

26 December 1943

Subject: Procurement of Arms and Ammunition

To : The Commanding General, Italian Forces in Sardinia

1. The Commander-in-Chief, Allied Forces, has directed that the weapons and ammunition enumerated in the following list be obtained from your command and prepared for shipment out of Sardinia:

| Quantity | Description |
|---|---|
| 202 | 81 mm. mortars |
| 60,000 rds. | 81 mm. mortar ammunition |
| 517 | 45 mm. mortars |
| 160,000 rds. | 45 mm. mortar ammunition |
| 180 | 47/32 AT guns |
| 10,000 rds. | 47/32 AT gun ammunition |
| 1,040 | 8 mm. machine guns |
| 4,720,000 rds. | 8 mm. machine gun ammunition |
| 125 | 20 mm. AA/AT guns |
| 230,000 rds. | 20 mm. AA/AT gun ammunition |

2. It is requested that you inform this office on or before 4 January 1944 as to location of the various items enumerated in paragraph 1 (above) in order that they may be collected and prepared for shipment.

F. L. Simmons
F. L. Simmons
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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Incoming Message

Time Received Code Room 0310, Time Left Code Room 0414, Decoded By FA, M.C. Nr. 9

ROUTINE 251900A

ACTION FATIMA REPEAT TO FABLE FOR SIMMONS CMA FORCE ONE THREE THREE NUMBER TWO DISTRICT AND FLAMBO CITE FHGDS RPT FHGDS

SIGNED FHCIC RPT FHCIC

ARRANGE FOR PICKUP AND DELIVERY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF ITALIAN EQUIPMENT IN SARDINIA TO MIDEAST BASE CMA ELEVEN SOD RPT SOD CMA MONOPOLI ITALY SCLN TWO HUNDRED TWO EACH EIGHTY ONE MM RPT MM MORTAR SMCLN SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHTY MM RPT MM MORTAR AMMUNITION SMCLN FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN EACH FORTY FIVE MM RPT MM MORTAR SMCLN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY FIVE MM RPT MM MORTAR AMMUNITION SMCLN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EACH FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AT GUNS SMCLN TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AT GUN AMMUNITION SMCLN FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHT MM RPT MM MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION SMCLN ONE THOUSAND FORTY EACH

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ARRANGE FOR PICKUP AND DELIVERY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF ITALIAN EQUIPMENT IN SARDINIA TO MIDEAST BASE CMA ELEVEN SOD RPT SOD CMA MONOPOLI ITALY CLN TWO HUNDRED TWO EACH EIGHTY ONE MM RPT MM MORTAR SMCLN SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHTY MM RPT MM MORTAR AMMUNITION SMCLN FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN EACH FORTY FIVE MM RPT MM MORTAR SMCLN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY FIVE MM RPT MM MORTAR AMMUNITION SMCLN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY EACH FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AT GUNS SMCLN TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AT GUN AMMUNITION SMCLN FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHT MM RPT MM MACHINE GUN AMMUNITION SMCLN ONE THOUSAND FORTY EACH EIGHT MM RPT MM MACHINE GUNS SMCLN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE EACH TWENTY MMAA RPT MM AA SLANT AT GUNS SMCLN TWO HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND ROUNDS TWENTY MM AA RPT MM AA SLANT AT GUN AMMUNITION REFERENCE OUR CABLE ONE XERO EIGHT NINE THREE OF SEVEN DECEMBER AND ONE THREE TWO EIGHT FIVE OF THIRTEEN DECEMBER CMA WEAPONS IN HANDS OF PROPOSED LEGNANO DIVISION WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE WITHDRAWN FORCE ONE THREE THREE THROUGH NUMBER TWO DISTRICT AND THIS HEADQUARTERS OF ETA RPT ETA INFORM

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 81 mm mortars | 202 | |
| 81 mm mortar ammunition | 60,000 rds. | |
| 45 mm mortars | 517 | |
| 45 mm mortar ammunition | 160,000 rds. | |
| 47/32 AT guns | 180 | |
| 47/32 AT gun ammunition | 10,000 rds. | |
| 8 mm machine gun ammunition | 4,720,000 rds. | |
| 8 mm machine guns | 1,040 | |
| 20 mm AA/AT guns | 125 | |
| 20 mm AA/AT gun ammunition | 230,000 rds. | |

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X ADDSO RPT ADDSO FATIMA INFORMATION FLAMBO CMA FABLE FOR SIMMONS

SIGNED CINC CITJ FHOT RPT FOOOT X

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ASSUME YOUR ONE EIGHT THREE SIX OF FIVE JAN REFERS TO OUR TWO ZERO NINE EIGHT SIX OF TWENTY NINE DEC LAST YEAR

IF ASSUMPTION IS CORRECT AGREE YOUR RECOMMENDATION X POLICY STATES THAT ITALIAN RESOURCES ARE RESERVED FOR ITALIANS

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TO FREEDOM RPT FABLE RPT FLANBO FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY 010950

CRYPTO FATIMA TO CRIPTO TO FABLE THIS IS PARAPHRASE OF OUR 1651

DATED 26 DECEMBER PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE CITING YOUR SERVICE D-00

IN REFERENCE YOUR 19177 AS THIS EQUIPMENT IS BEING COLLECTED OUTSIDE JURISDICTION OF THE ACC AND MOVED BY TRANSPORT OVER WHICH WE HAVE NO CONTROL, THE FOLLOWING PLAN IS RECOMMENDED PD

(a) ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE CAUSED BY THE ACC TO ISSUE THE NECESSARY ORDERS TO THE ITALIAN FORCES IN SARDINIA DIRECTING THE TRANSFER OF THIS EQUIPMENT PD

(c) FLANBO TO BE CHARGED WITH THE MOVEMENT FROM SARDINIA FROM MONOPOLI ITALY

(b) COLLECTION OF EQUIPMENT ON ISLAND AND MOVEMENT TO POL WILL BE RESPONSIBILITY OF SARDINIA GARRISON COMMANDER ASSISTED BY COL SIMMONS PD

(d) EQUIPMENT WILL BE TAKEN OVER AT MONOPOLI BY FORCE NO 133

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Col Simmons

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FOR ACTION FATIMA FOR INFORMATION FABLE FOR SIMMONS CMA FORCE ONE THREE THREE CMA NUMBER TWO DISTRICT CMA FLAMBO CITE FHGDS SIGNED FHCIC ROUTINE 271316A

DISREGARD CABLE NUMBER ONE NINE ONE SEVEN SEVEN OF TWENTY FIFTH DECEMBER REFERENCE YOUR CABLES NUMBER ONE SIX FIVE ONE OF TWENTY SEVENTH DECEMBER AND ONE SIX FORL UR SEVEN OF TWENTY SEVENTH DECEMBER X X THIS CABLE WAS ~~CONAGEEXXXRPI~~ CANCELLED BY CABLE NUMBER ONE NINE THREE SIX SIX OF TWENTY SIXTH DECEMBER X MIDEAST HAS BEEN NOTIFIED

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY TO FATIMA INFORMATION FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP FOR MMIA RPT MMIA CMA FIVE ARMY CMA EIGHT ARMY CMA FLAMBO CMA FABLE FOR SIMMONS CAM PBS RPT PBS CMA NO TWO DISTRICT

~~FROM 3 IN 3 CITE FHHGT RPT FHHGT~~

261632A SIGNED CINC CITE FHGCT RPT FHGCT

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NO RPT NO CHANGE IN STATUS OF CAPTURED RPT CAPTURED ITALIAN EQUIPMENT CMA WHICH HAS BEEN PLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF OSS RPT OSS SLANT SOE RPT SOE ENCLAVE PD DISREGARD DATED SEVEN DEC OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE CMA DATED NINE DECEMVER OUR ONE ONE SEVEN SEVEN EIGHT AND DATED ONE THREE DECEMBER OUR ONE THREE TWO EIGHT FIVE AND ALL SUBSEQUENT COMMUNICATIONS ON PROCUREMENT OF ITALIAN WEAPONS AND AMMUNITIONS FROM ITALIAN SOURCES FOR USE BY THE OSS RPT OSS SLANT SOE RPT SOE FOR OPERATIONS IN JUGOSLAVIA OR THE BALKANS

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PRIORITY 281841A

PARAPHRASE BY FREEDOM TO FATIMA INFORMATION FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP FOR NMIA RPT NMIA FIVE ARMY EIGHT ARMY FLAMBO FABLE FOR SIMMONS PRS RPT PRS AND DISTRO

SIGNED CINC CITE FNCCT

RESERVED STOCKS WILL BE INCREASED TO FOLLOWING TOTALS CMA OF WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION FOR USE OF ITALIAN DIVISION CONSIDERED AND MOTORIZED RCT RPT RCT WITH FIVE ARMY PAREN REFERENCE OUR ONE THREE TWO EIGHT FIVE OF THIRTEEN DEC PAREN PAREN READ B RPT BAKER HYPHEN TYPE OF WEAPONS A RPT ABLE HYPHEN NUMBER OF WEAPONS C RPT CHARLIE HYPHEN ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION PAREN X A RPT ABLE X FORTY EACH X B RPT BAKER X TWENTY MM RPT MIKE MIKE BREDA AA RPT ABLE ABLE SLANT AT GUNS X C RPT CHARLIE X ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND X A RPT ABLE X ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MA RPT EA X B RPT BAKER X EIGHT MM RPT MM MMG RPT MMG X C RPT CHARLIE X ONE MILLION AND TWELVE THOUSAND X A RPT ABLE X FIFTY EA RPT EA X B RPT BAKER X FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO AT GUNS X C RPT

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ROUTINE TO FREEDOM INFO ONE FIVE ARMY GRP CVA FLAMBO CVA FABLE FOR SIMMONS

FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE

1918ØØA

BASED UPON ITALIAN ARMY REPORTS THE FOLLOWING STOCKS ARE AVAILABLE PAREN REVERENCE YOUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE DECEMBER EIGHT AND YOUR THREE TWO EIGHT FIVE DECEMBER THIRTEENTH AND YOUR ONE FIVE NINE ONE FIVE DECEMBER EIGHTEENTH PAREN IN PROVINCES OF PUGLIA AND LUCANIA CLN THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY CVA FORTYFIVE MM MORTARS SMCLN ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY FOUR CVA EIGHTY ONE MM MORTARS CVA AND EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SMCLN NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINE CVA EIGHT MM MEDIUM MACHINE GUNS CVA AND APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN MILLION ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SMCLN FORTY TWO CVA TWENTY MM AA DASH AT GUNS CVA AND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSANDS ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SMCLN SIXTY SEVEN CVA FORTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO AT GUNS CVA AND SEVEN THOUSANDS FIVE HUNDRED ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME PARA IN PROVINCE OF CALABRIA CLN ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY NINE [illegible] SAME MM MORTARS CVA AND THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND ROUNDS OF

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1918

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SMCLN ELEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY EIGHT CVA EIGHT VV MEDIUM MACHINE
GUN CVA AND APPROXIMATWLY TEN MILLION ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME
SMCLN FORTY FIVE CVA TWENTY SA DASH AT GUN CVA AND ONE HUNDRED AND
THIRYT THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SMCLN THIRTY SEVEN CVA
FORTY PAREN THIS MESAAGE CONTINUED IN OUR NR ONE FIVE THREE SIX
PAREN SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO AT GUNS

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THIRYT THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SUCH THIRTY

FORTY PAREN THIS MESAAGE CONTINUED IN OUR NR ONE FIVE THREE SIX

PAREN SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO AT GUNS

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ROUTINE 191815A

T FREEDOM CMA INFORMATIOB FIFTEE ARMY GROUP CMA FLAN O CMA FABLE

FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIVA

SIGNED JOYCE

THIS MESSAGE CONTINUES OUR NUNGER ONE FIVE THREE FIVE PD IN SARDINIA CLN FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN CMA FORTY FIVE MILLIMETER MORTARS CMA AND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLNTWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY FIVE CMA EIHHTY ONE MILLIMETER MORTARS CMA AND THREE HUNDRED ADD FORTY THOUSAND ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN TZO HUNDRED AND THIRTY CMA FORTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO A T GUNS CMA AND TWO HUNDRED AN D EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMINITION FOR SAME SEMICLN ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY ONE CAME TWENTY MILLIMETER A A DASH A T GUNS CMA AND FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY FOUR

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SIGNED JOYCE

THIS MESSAGE CONTINUES OUR NUMBER ONE FIVE THREE FIVE PD IN SARDINIA CLN FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN CMA FORTY FIVE MILLIMETER MORTARS CMA AND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLNTWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY FIVE CMA EIHHTY ONE MILLIMETER MORTARS CMA AND THREE HUNDRED ADD FORTY THOUSAND ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN TZO HUNDRED AND THIRTY CMA FORTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO A T GUNS CMA AND TWO HUNDRED AN D EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMINITION FOR SAME SEMICLN ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY ONE CAME TWENTY MILLIMETER A A DASH A T GUNS CMA AND FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMUCLN THREE THOUAAND SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY THREE CMA EIGHT MILLIMETER MEDIUM MACHINE GUNS CMA AND TWENTY FOUR MILLION ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME

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PARA WITH DAPING BRIGADE WITH FIFTY ARMY CLN THIRTY SIX CMA FORTY FIVE MILLIMETER MORTARS CMA AND ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY TWO THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN TWELVE CMA EIGHTY ONE M M MORTARS CMA AND FORTY EIVHT THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN FIFTY FOUR CMA EIHHT M M MACHINE GUNS CMA AND TWO AND ONE HALF MILLION ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN EIGHT CMA TWENTY MM AA DASH AT GUNS CMA AND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN SIXTEEN CMA FORTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO MM AT GUNS CMA AND FORTY THREE THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME

PARA IN MOST CASES THE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ARE IN HANDS OF ITALIAN TROOP UNITS SCATTERD OVER SARDINIA AND SOUTHEGN ITALY

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CWA AND FORTY EIVHT THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR

FOUR CWA EIHHT M M MACHINE GUNS CWA AND TWO AND ONE HALF MILLION ROUNDS

OF AMMUNITION FOR SAME SEMICLN EIGHT CWA TWENTY MM AA DASH AT GUNS

CWA AND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR

SAME SEMICLN SIXTEEN CWA FORTY SEVEN DASH THIRTY TWO MM AT GUNS CWA

AND FORTY THREE THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION FOR SAME

PARA IN MOST CASES THE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION ARE IN HANDS OF

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URGENT TO FABLE FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE 151124A

REFERENCE OUR ONE FOUR ONE NINE AND FREEDOM THREE TWO EIGHT FIVE
PLEASE ADD TO INVENTORY OF STOCKS ITALIAN FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO
ABLE SLANT TARE GUNS CMA TWO ZERO MIKE MIKE BREDA ABLE ABLE SLANT ABLE
TARE GUNS CMA EIGHT MIKE MIKE MEDIUM MM NINE GUNS PD ALSO AMMUNITION
FOR EACH OF THESE WEAPONSPD REQUEST YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT INVENTORY IS
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PLEASE ADD TO INVENTORY OF STOCKS ITALIAN FOUR SEVEN SLANT THREE TWO ABLE SLANT TARE GUNS CMA TWO ZERO MIKE MIKE BREDA ABLE ABLE SLANT ABLE TARE GUNS CMA EIGHT MIKE MIKE MEDIUM MM NINE GUNS PD ALSO AMMUNITION FOR EACH OF THESE WEAPONSPD REQUEST YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT INVENTORY IS UNDER WAY

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ADDRESSED DASH FATIMA INFORMATION WWIF TENTH ARMY GROUP FOR MMIA CMA FIFTH ARMY CMA EIGHTH ARMY CMA FLAMBO CMA FABLE FOR SIMMONS CMA PBS CMA NUMBER TWO DISTRICT

SIGNED CINC CITE FHQCT PARAPHRASED BY FREEDOM X ACKNOWLEDGE AND TAKE ACTION AS IN OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE X [redacted]

BUY THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FORCES IN YUGOSLAVIA CMA OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE DATED SEVEN DECEMBER CLN ONE EIGHT ZERO EACH FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO A SLANT T GUNS WITH TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION SEMICOLON ONE ZERO FOUR ZERO EACH MEDIUM MACHINE GUNS EIGHT MM WITH FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION SEMICOLON X TWO ONE ZERO EACH TWENTY MM BREDA AA SLANT T GUNS WITH TWO THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ROUNDS AMMUNITION X FIFTH ARMY GROUP TO / RELEASE TWENTY FIVE PERCENT OF AMOUNT RESERVED HERE SS NECESSARY FOR ITALIAN [redacted]ZED RCT

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CMA NUMBER TWO DISTRICT

SIGNED CINC CITE FHGCT PARAPHRASED SY FREEDOM X ACKNOWLEDGE AND TAKE ACTION AS IN OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE X [redacted]

BUY THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FORCES IN YUGOSLAVIA CMA OUR ONE ZERO EIGHT NINE THREE DATED SEVEN DECEMBER CLN ONE EIGHT ZERO EACH FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO A SLANT T GUNS WITH TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION SEMICOLON ONE ZERO FOUR ZERO EACH MEDIUM MACHINE GUNS EIGHT MM WITH FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND ROUNDS AMMUNITION SEMICOLON X TWO ONE ZERO EACH TWENTY MM BREDA AA SLANT T GUNS WITH TWO THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO ROUNDS AMMUNITION X FIFTH ARMY GROUP TO / RELEASE TWENTY FIVE PERCENT OF AMOUNT RESERVED HERE SS NECESSARY FOR ITALIAN 3016 ZED RCT WITH FIFTH ARMY X TO BE RESERVED ARE THE FOLLOWING STOCKS FOR USE OF ITALIAN DIVISION BEING FORMED AND ITALIAN MOTORIZED RCT WITH FIFTH ARMY CLN TWENTY EACH TWENTY MM BREDA AA SLANT T GUNS AND FIFTY SIX THOUSAND ROUNDS SEVEN SEVENTY TWO EACH EIGHT MM MEDIUM MACHINE GUNS AND FIVE HUNDRED AH SIX THOUSAND ROUNDS CCLN FORTY EACH FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO A SLANT T GUNS AND TWO TWO FOUR ZERO ZERO ROUMDS HM MUNITION [redacted] OF THE GREATEST CARE AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE ORIGINATOR [redacted] LAY.

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 509 542

FROM: AGH 13 DATE: 15 DECEMBER 1943

Office of Origin LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA AGO

TO: FREEDOM FOR G IN C
ATTENTION FIGHS

FROM: SIMMONS AT FATIMA

F L SIMMONS
COLONEL INFANTRY

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 509 SEC

NUMBER: ACH 8 DATE: 12 DECEMBER 1943

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TO: FREEDOM FOR C-IN-C CITE FTHOS

FROM: SIMMONS AT FABLE

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COL INFANTRY

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| ROUTINE | | | |
| DEFERRED | | | |

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REFERENCE PARA 4 CABLE FIRST DECEMBER INSPECTIONS ON WHICH TO BASE REPORT CALLED FOR PARA 3A CMA "DIRECTIVE TO REPRESENTATIVE IN SARDINIA" BEARING COMPLETION PD REPORT TO BE FORWARDED BY FIFTEENTH DECEMBER

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 509 520

NUMBER: AGH 5 DATE: 12 DECEMBER 1943

Office of Origin: LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA AGO

TO: FREEDOM FOR G-IN-C CITE FHQDS

FROM: SIMMONS AT FABLE

F L SIMMONS
COL INFANTRY

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

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REFERENCE CABLE REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION INVENTORY OF CLOTHING CMA INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT CMA SIGNAL EQUIPMENT CMA AMMUNITION CMA AND WEAPONS CMA DETAILED REPORT IS PROCESS AND WILL BE FORWARDED SOON

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ANNEXATIONS

Pt.

INTENDENZA MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
- Ufficio S.M. -

FABBISOGNO pezzi e munizioni da 20 m/m per le Divisioni Mobili dislocate in Sardegna ;

| Unità | Pezzi da 20 mm. | Munizionamento da 20 mm. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | perfiranti | c.a. |
| Divis.Ftr. "Calabria" | 28 | 49.000 | 147.000 |
| Divis.Ftr. "Bari" | 16 | 33.000 | 79.000 |
| Divis.Ftr. "Cremona" | 32 | 56.000 | 168.000 |
| Divis.Ftr. "Friuli" | 32 | 56.000 | 168.000 |
| | 108 | 194.000 | 562.000 |

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FILE MENTION

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TO : ACTION FABLE for SIMMONS repeat FATIMA for SHUTTE Cite FHGDS.

FROM: FHCIC.

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Para 1.

Reference proposed Italian Combat Division: in order to determin the availability of equipment the following information is required: the shortage of undermentioned Italian items:

(a) Individual equipment and clothing.
(b) Signal equipment and spare parts.
(c) Ammunition and weapons of the following types:

All machine guns.
81 mm Mortars
20 mm Anti Aircraft.
47/32 A.T.
100/22 Howitzers.
75/13 Or 75/18 Guns
105/32 Guns.
74/34 Anti Tank Guns

Ammunitions: 8 mm, 9 mm, 7.35 and 6.5 only.

Para 2.

Of the above, what amounts can be drawn from existing Italian organizations?

Para 3.

The items enumerated above are NOT repeat NOT considered as stocks of captured enemy material.

Para 4 For FABLE only

Expedite the report that was called for paragraph 3011 Memo to Colonel Simmons, subject: "Directive to Representatives in Sardinia of Land Forces Sub Commission". File ASD/930 dated November 28.43.

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Brigadier.
Deputy Commissioner.
Col Simmons, Allied Garrison HQ.

Filed - St. Munitions

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 509 ~~555~~

NUMBER: ~~2~~ DATE: ~~9 December 1943~~

Office of Origin ~~Land Forces Subcommission A.G.S.~~

TO: C-in-C A FHQ
(Attention FHQCT)

FROM: Simmons at Fable

| PRECEDENCE | | DEGREE OF SECRECY | |
|---|---|---|---|
| URGENT | | SECRET | X |
| PRIORITY | X | CONFIDENTIAL | |
| OPR-PRIORITY | | RESTRICTED | |
| ROUTINE | | | |
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24 Each 47/32 Guns and 1000 Rounds assorted AP and HE ammunition per gun located and earmarked awaiting instructions for disposition

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PLANZO, TABLE FOR OPTIONS, FIFTEENTH AR Y GROUP FOR MUSA, RADIO DE-
FORMATION FAMISA
SIGNED U S TH U DIV. PRIOT

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SIT LEVENTIN CITE PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR RETURN OF ITALIAN MATERIAL
DESIRE YOU TAKE ACTION TO DETERMINE CORSICA INVENTORY ALL ITALIAN
MATERIAL X ITALIAN MAINLAND, SARDINIA, CORSICA. EXPEDITE AND INFORM
AMG PRIEST
PARA X FOR SITUATION X 24 EACH 47/32 AT THIS TIME ARRANGEMENTS TO BE
LOCATED AND EARMARKED NOW PROPOSED ITALIAN DIVISION X BASE PROC-
ESSING IF NECESSARY.

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INTENDENZA MILITARE DELLA SARDEGNA
- Ufficio S.M. -

Munizionamento da 47/32 esistente in Sardegna :

- Cartocci granata ordinari (A.E) : 108.988
- " " perforanti (A.P) : 136.435 } 156405
- " " E. P. (olio P.A) : 19.970.-

Dall'esistenza sono stati detratti :
- cartocci granata ordinarie (A.E) : 8.000
- " " perforanti (A.P) : 16.000

a disposizione del Comando Alleato presso il Deposito di Telti.

Si sta provvedendo all'approntamento di N.24 pezzi da 47/32 che, al più presto, saranno pronti presso il Magazzino Artiglieria di Nuoro.-

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P. N. F.

GIOVENTU' ITALIANA DEL LITTORIO

COMANDO FEDERALE DI SASSARI

# BIBLIOTECA

| Autore e titolo dell'opera: | Collocazione |
|---|---|
| | S. |
| | P. |
| | Volume N. |

Sassari, li _____

Firma e qualifica del richiedente

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REQUIRED FOR SHIPMENT TO ITALY AS PER CABLE NO. 3567

| 1. Probable description of W/T set | Quantity required | Notes |
|---|---|---|
| RF3C | 2 | No information on hand |
| RF3A | 4 | |
| RF4 (?) | 4 | |
| R2-3 (?) | 60 | |

| 2. Ammunition | Required | On hand DIV. (1) | DEPOTS (2) | TOTALS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 47/32 mm. | 82,500 rds. | 132,696 | 132,697 | 265,393 (3) |
| 75/18mm. | 236,500 rds. | ------ | 9,750 (S.P.) | 9,750 (S.P.) (4) |
| | | ------ | 44,659 (M.34) | 44,659 (M.34) (5) |

(1) Issued to organization
(2) Surplus in depots or in custody of organization
(3) Not included here are 24,000 rds. earmarked for AFHQ
(4) Self-propelled
(5) Model 34 field piece

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attached to CBI 111241A
SVC 3557

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ARMSB SOS INFORMATION FIVE ARMY, FRANCO, PARIS, NAIROBI, DAKAR, PSS,
SIGNED CINCSOUTH FWDCT

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ANSWERED IN OUR ONE ZERO FOUR THREE FOUR DATED SIXTH DECEMBER
ARE QUESTIONS IN YOUR LOVE DASH ONE SEVEN FOUR ZERO AND LOVE
DASH TWO THREE THREE SEVEN REPD SURT X ARMS, AMMUNITION AND
EQUIPMENTAL ITEMS SICILY ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR USE EXCEPT BY
SPECIOPS

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TO: PRIORITY FOR ACTION FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP FORWARD, FIFTH ARMY, EIGHTH ARMY, FLAMBO, PRIORITY FOR EI MORE, PBS, NO TWO DIST NOR IIPO

FROM: CTEO CITE PHOOT

. . . . . .

IN THE LAST PARAGRAPH OUR 10893 DATED SEVEN DEC AMOUNTS LISTED ARE INTENDED FOR USE ONE ITALIAN COMBAT DIVISION AND ONE MOTORIZED REGT WITH FIFTH ARMY. IN EXCESS OF THESE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION WILL BE TAKEN FOR YUGOSLAVIAN FORCES . INSTRUCTIONS FOR RELEASE OF STOCKS FOR YUGOSLAVIA WILL BE ISSUED BY APHQ; REF YOUR 1336 OF EIGHT DEC DASH FOUR; IN LAST PARA OUR CABLE 10893 ONE FIVE ARMY WILL RELEASE 25 PERCENT OF STOCKS LISTED IN LAST PARA IS FOR USE OF FIRST MOTORIZED REGT WITH FIFTH ARMY; ITALIAN COMBAT DIVISION TO RECEIVE REMAINDER OF STOCKS IN LAST PARA MENTIONED.

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INFORMATION TO EIGHT ARMY, FIVE ARMY, NAPLE FOR SIMMONS, FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP FOR ANAL, NUMBER TWO DISTRICT, PLANSO AND PEN BASE SEC FOR ACTION NO ADDSU FANTSA.
SIGNED GEN CITE MINOT

HOBLEY WITH HEADQUARTERS WHERE FOLLOWING STOCKS ARE AVAILABLE AND ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO CUSTODIAN TO TURN IT OVER ON CALL FROM FIFTH HEADQUARTERS X EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FORTY FIVE Q MIKE MIKE MORTARS, THREE HUNDRED EIGHT ONE MIKE MIKE MORTARS, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY FIVE MIKE MIKE MORTAR AMMUNITION, SIXTY THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHT ONE MIKE MIKE MORTAR AMMUNITION X TAKE NECESSARY ACTION IMMEDIATELY THROUGH ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO AFHQ AS NORTH OPERATING SUBSTANTIAL FROM ANY ITALIAN SOURCE IN SARDINIA OR ITALY THE ABOVE ARTICLES X ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND ROUNDS FORTY FIVE MORTAR MIKE MIKE MORTAR AMMUNITION, TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND ROUNDS EIGHTY ONE MIKE MIKE MORTAR AMMUNITION EIGHT, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY MIKE MIKE FORTY FIVE MIKE MIKE MORTARS, EIGHT THOUSAND ROUNDS SIXTY ONE MIKE MIKE MORTAR AMMUNITION HEAVY AND SEVENTY SIX EIGHTY ONE LIKE MIKE MORTAR I ONLY RESTRICTION IS THAT ABOVE IS RESERVED FOR ITALIAN DIVISION WHICH IS BEING FORMED AND ITALIAN MOTORIZED NOT WHICH BY FIVE ARMY IS BEING EMPLOYED

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FILE AUNITIONS

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Ref 4 Dec 43

HR 9046 031603A P 3

FROM: CTNC

TO : ADDSN 15 ARMY GROUP FOR NMIA, FLAMBO, FABLE FOR SIMMONS, SMITH INTORMATION PBS, FIVE ARMY.

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INFORMATION ON FOLLOWING PARAPHRASED CABLE FROM PBS NOT AVAILABLE HERE:

SUBMITTED BY FIVE ARMY IS FOLLOWING LIST REFERENCE ROCKS-GRUSM _____

THESE ITEMS TO PREPARE MOTORIZED ITALIAN GROUP FOR COMBAT ARE ESSENTIAL:

FUGILONI 20 MM AT CARTRIDGES, AMMUNITION FOR 9 MM PISTOL, 100/22 MMH COMPLETE ROUNDS, 75/18 MMH COMPLETE ROUNDS, 47/32 MM GUNAT BOTH AP AND HE, FIELD WIRE, TELEGRAPH SETS, RADIO SETS RF2, REPLACEMENT RADIO BATTERIES. DESIRE YOU TAKE ACTION TO DETERMINE LOCATION AND TOTAL STOCK ABOVE IN ITALY, SARDINIA, CORSICA AND MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH FIVE ARMY AND PBS. NOTIFY PBS AND AMIO AS SOON AS INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

Ltd. Italian mundi 30027
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HEADQUARTERS
31st COAST ARTILLERY BRIGADE (AA)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

386.3 (Ref. D-2) 6 December 1943

SUBJECT: Excess Italian Material.

TO : CG, Allied Garrison of Sardinia, APO 520, U. S. Army.

1. In compliance with request contained in your letter of 27 Nov 1943, the attached reports are submitted.

2. The report of the Cagliari Naval Command is complete. The report from the Italian Army is fragmentary and more is expected. The Naval Command at Maddalena has not yet reported.

3. In addition to the materiel mentioned above it is planned to survey Italian AA Units with a view toward incorporating such additional units as can be used effectively in the AA defense of the island, the remainder to be demobilised as AA and troops released for other service. This action would produce additional excess equipment.

For the Brigade Commander:

C. C. CHASE,
Major, CAC,
Adjutant.

2 Incls:
1--Excess Ammunition in Hands of Italian Army.
2--Excess Materiel in Hands of Italian AA Units. (Naval)

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EXCESS AMMUNITION IN HANDS OF ITALIAN ARMY

GERMAN AMMUNITION

88-MM

| NO. OF ROU NDS | | LOCATION |
|---|---|---|
| 2939 | | MORBOLIA |
| 2008 | | ZEDIANI |
| 95 | | OLBIA |
| 9200 | | Ammo Depot, PRATO SARDO |
| 7764 | | Ammo Depot, GESICO |
| 2600 | | 1st Kilometer stone from OLBIA to GOLFO ARANCI |
| 2400 | | 313 Kilometers from OLBIA to SIMCOLE |
| 2000 | | 311 Kilometers from OLBIA to SIMCOLE |
| 200 | | 1st Kilometer stone from OLBIA to VENAFIORITA |
| 500 | | 3rd Kilometer stone from OLBIA to VENAFIORITA |
| 2000 | | 1st Kilometer stone after VENAFIORITA |
| 31706 | Total | |

This re port received by telephone, more information expected.

Maj Johnson

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## EXCESS MATERIEL IN HANDS OF ITALIAN AA UNITS

## NAVAL DISTRICT OF CAGLIARI

| | NO. | CALIBER | CONDITION | LOCATION | REMARKS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cannon | 2 | 90/53 | 1-Very Good<br>1-Out of Order | Naval Hq<br>S. Bartolomeo | 1-Elevating mechanism damaged |
| Cannon | 1 | 76/40 | Fair | " | Obsolete |
| Cannon | 3 | 76/30 | Fair | Caposaldo<br>DICAT | Obsolete |
| Machine Guns | 3 | 20mm | Very Good | " | |
| Machine Guns | 8 | 12mm | Very Good | " | |
| Rifles and Carbines | 800 | 6.5 & 7.35mm | Good | Naval Hq.<br>S.Bartolomeo | |
| Cartucce | 42 | 88mm | Good | Siliqua | German |
| Cartridge Clips (5 rds) | 16 | 7.9mm | Good | Siliqua | German |

COMPLETE REPORT OF CAGLIARI NAVAL COMMAND

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HEADQUARTERS
TYRRHENIAN DEPOT
APO 397

2 December 1943

SUBJECT: Excess Equipment

TO : Commanding Officer
Det;"B", 2665th Hq&Hq Co.
QM Base Depot (Prov)
APO 397

1. Attached is an inventory of equipment now in the hands of the Italian Army stationed in Sardinia. This information was obtained from Colonel Calaresu of General Magli's staff. General Magli was absent from his Headquarters from the 28th through Dec 1/43, the date of our departure.

2. With reference to all the captured German Equipment taken by tthe Italian Army, we have been informed that there is no surplus. Colonel Calaresu stated that what German equipment there is, has been issued to Italian troops. We visited several warehouses and supply dumps and from what we have seen, their statement regarding the German equipment is correct.

3. Colonel Calaresu requests that this inventory be considered as a reply to General Webster's letter as of 26 November 1943.

Joseph R. Bennett
JOSEPH R. BENNETT
Maj., QMC

Vernon C. Jobson
VERNON C. JOBSON
Maj., ORD

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File MUNITIONS

Intendenza Militare Sardegna
- Ufficio S.M. -

Munizioni per pistola a rotazione mod. 14/30 cal. 10,35 :

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| - Presso i reparti | : | n. 156.166 |
| - Presso il Deposito di Monserrato | : | " 9.264 |
| - " " " " Siliqua | : | " 26.396 |
| - " " " " Macomer | : | " 31.157 |
| - " " " " rrato Sardo | : | " 32.431 |
| - " " " " Campomela | : | " 33.040 |
| - " " " " ralau | : | " 12.730 |
| - " " " " Telti | : | " 90 |
| - " " " " Gesico | : | " 150.999 |
| Totale | : | n. 457.073 |

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Munizioni per mitragliera Breda 35 da 20 m/m :

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| - presso i reparti | : c.a. | : n. 177.100 | | |
| | : perforanti | : " | 31.437 | |
| - presso il Deposito di Monserrato | : c.a. | : " 1.000 | | |
| - " " " " Siliqua | : " | : " 27.120 | | |
| - " " " " Macomer | : " | : " 23.330 | | |
| - " " " " rratosardo | : " | : " 30.010 | | |
| - " " " " Campomela | : " | : " 56.202 | | |
| - " " " " Telti | : " | : " 107.115 | | |
| - " " " " Gesico | : " | : " 10.000 | | |
| Totale c.a. | : n. 455.179 | perf. 31.437 | | |

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Tutti i colpi perforanti da 20 m/m e 150.000 colpi c.a. sono stati accantonati per i reparti in formazione della Divisione "Legnano" e non possono essere toccati.-

I rimanenti sono già assolutamente insufficienti per le batterie c.a. da 20 m/m dislocate nella Sardegna.-

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Totale : N. 457.075

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Munizioni per mitragliera Breda 35 da 20 m/m :

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| - presso i reparti | : c.a. | : N. 177.700 | |
| | : perforanti | : " | 31.437 |
| - presso il Deposito di Monserrato | : c.a. | : " 1.600 | |
| - " " " " Siliqua | : " | : " 27.120 | |
| - " " " " Macomer | : " | : " 23.338 | |
| - " " " " Arratosardo | : " | : " 30.070 | |
| - " " " " Campomela | : " | : " 56.202 | |
| - " " " " Telti | : " | : " 107.119 | |
| - " " " " Uesico | : " | : " 10.000 | |

Totale c.a.: N. 433.179 perf. 31.437

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As per Cable 111855 A

1.) Locate and report amounts and locations of following types of ammunition:

| | | ISSUED TO UNITS | SURPLUS IN DEPOTS OR IN CUSTODY OF UNITS |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Rifle, Mod. 91, 6.5 mm.<br>Musket, Mod. 91, 6.5 mm.<br>Breda, 30 LMG, 6.5 mm. | 19,831,392 | 23,160,359 |
| | Beretta Pistol, 9 mm. | 5,408,100 | --- |
| ☆ | Revolver, Mod. 85, ~~9 mm.~~ 10 mm. | (Not specified, but included with ammunition for pistols of various models as follows:) 91,500 | 70,995 |
| | Beretta Machine Carbines 38, 9 mm. | 12,423,000 | --- |
| | Rifle, Mod. 38, 7.35 mm. | 70,710 | 2,151,078 |
| | Breda 37 MMG, 8 mm. | 17,508,000 | --- |
| | Fiat 35 MMG, 8 mm. | 2,706,000 | 3,838,797 |
| ☆ ☆ | Breda 20 mm. AA/AT gun | (Not specified, but there is the following for the Solothurn gun 20 mm:) 12,500 | 23,500 |
| | 47/32 light gun | 78,202 (AP)<br>54,494 (HE) | 78,203 (AP)<br>54,494 (HE)<br>16,000 (AP)*<br>8,000 (HE)* |
| | 100/22 How. | 14,144 | 78,170 |
| | 105/32 How. | 3,108 | 12,605 |

* Earmarked for disposition by A.F.HQ.

☆ The Revolver, Mod. 85, is reported to be of 10 mm and not 9 mm as mentioned in cable # 111855A. This ammunition is not specifically listed in the inventory, but may be included under the heading "Cartucce per pistole, mod. vari".

☆ ☆ Their BREDA is not listed in the inventory. But 2996 SOTHURN gun of the same caliber is listed. Ammunition reported to be not interchangeable, however.

ATTACHED TO CBL 111855 A

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY 111855A

FABLE FOR SIMMONS RPT SIMMONS CMA FAKIR FOR STRONG INFORMATION FLAMBO CMA FIFTH ARMY CMA EIGHTH ARMY CMA PBS RPT PBS CMA NUMBER TWO DISTRICT

SIGNED CINC CITE FHGC T RPT FKOCT PARAPHRASE BY FREEDOM

AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT XONZX CINC DIRECTS THAT EACH ACTION ADDRESSEE WILL LOCATE AND REPORT DIRECT TO AF HQ CMA AMOUNTS AND LOCATIONS OF FOLLOWING TYPES OF ITALIAN AMMUNITION IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREA CLN RIFLE CMA MOD NINETY JNZW YWKEUIJOIG FITTHMX BERETTA PISTOL CMA NINE MMX REVOLVER CMA MOD EIGHTY FIVE CMA NINE MMX MUSKET MOD NINETY ONE CMA SIX POINT FIVE MMX BREDA THIRTY LMG CAL SIX POINT FIVE MMX RIFLE CMA MOD THIRTY EIGHT CMAS SEVEN POINT THIRTY FIVE MMX BERETTA MACHINE CARBINES THIRTY EIGHT CMA NINE MMX BREDA TWENTY MMAA SLANT AT GUN BREDA THIRTY SEVEN MED MG CMA EIGHT MMX FIAT THIRTY FIVE MMG CMA EIGHT MMG FORTY SEVEN SLANT THIRTY TWO LT GUN PD ONE HUNDRED SLANT TWENY RPT TWENTY TWO HOW PD ONE HUNDRED FIVE SLANT THIRTY TWO HOW PD TWO PD SIMILAR REPORT WIL BE MADE ON FOLLOWING ITEMS IN EXCESS

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MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TRANSPORT INCLUDING SPARE PARTS AND

THIS MESSAGE RECEIVED IN SECRET CODE. THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN, ONLY SUCH EXTRACTS AS ARE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY WILL BE MADE AND CLASSIFIED SECRET, EQUALS BRITISH SECRET, THIS COPY WILL BE SAFEGUARDED WITH THE GREATEST CARE AND WILL BE RETURNED TO THE ORIGINATOR WITHOUT DELAY.

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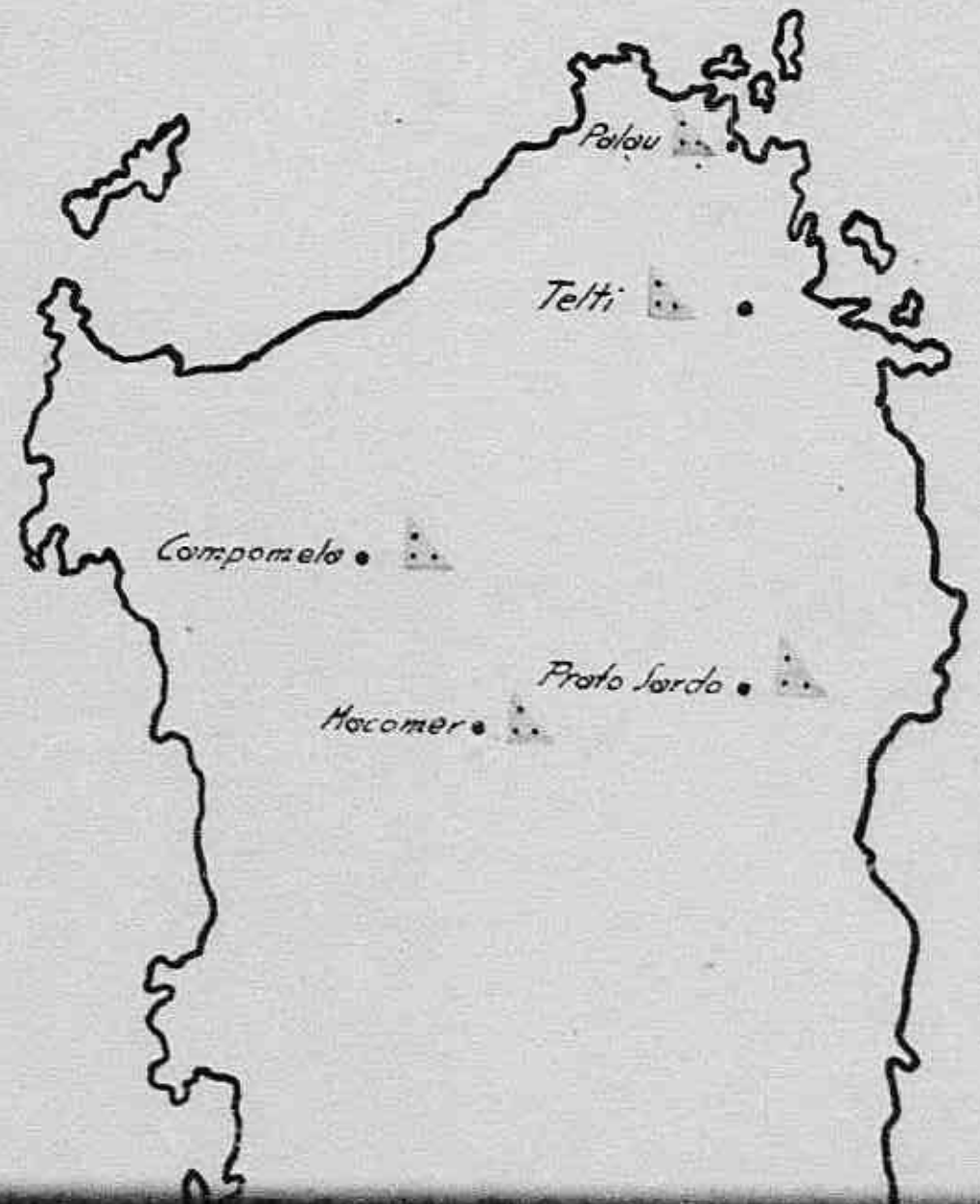


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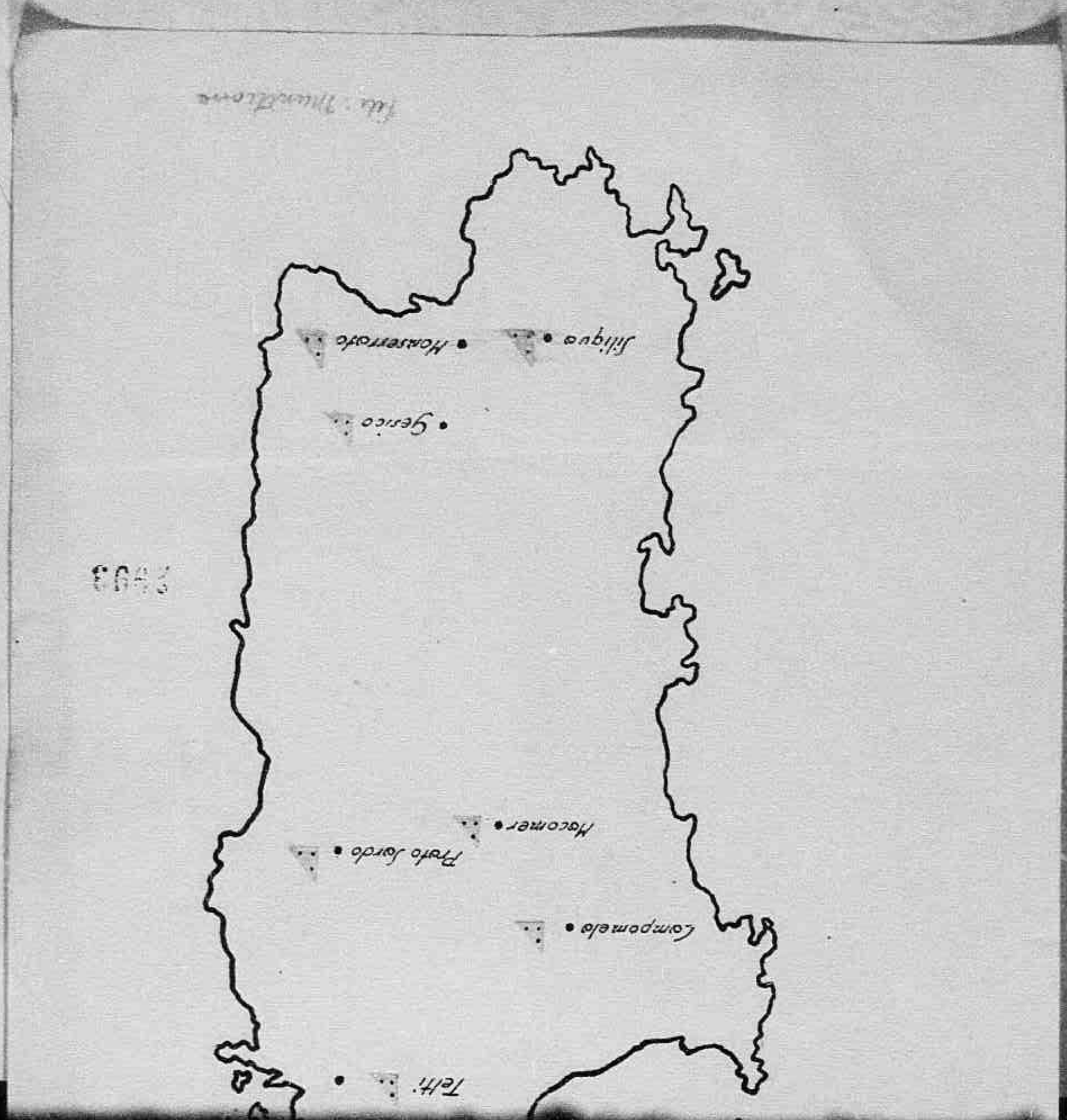

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