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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No 13:22
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Date 30 AUGUST 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence ROUTINE Security Classification SECRET

TO: MMIA

From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 1268

REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL CHARLIE PETER SLANT ONE SLANT ONE ZERO DATED TWO NINE AUGUST CLN GRAY PLACED ON TEMPORARY DUTY SEVENTH ARMY BY TOP SECRET CABLE MAN ABLE GEORGE CHARLIE TARE SIGNED CHARLIE GEORGE MATOUSA DATED ZERO FIVE ONE EIGHT THREE TWO BAKER JULY

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TO ABLE GEORGE CHARLIE SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS

FROM MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE CITE CHARLIE PETER SLANT ONE SLANT ONE XERO

ADVISE REFERENCE TO NATOUSA CABLE TRANSFERRING RPT TRANSFERRING

GRAY PD

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Lt. Maj. GRAY

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
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Msg Center No F67015
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Date 6 JULY 1944

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TO: [redacted]

From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMONS Originator's Reference Number AGS WORK 157

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Col Simmons

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

G-6

6 July 1944

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO : Major JAMES A GRAY, Inf., O-290921, ACC/ASC.

1. PAC TOPSEC Cable FX 68785 MATOUSA Cite NAGCT, you MP at once to Naples, Italy on TD for an indefinite period NUAT CG Force BHQ for instructions. Upon completion of TD, you will return to proper station. Travel by military aircraft and government M/T is authorized. TCNT TDN 99-66 P 432-02 1 A 0426-24.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

Augustus P. Vitali

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Major, Field Artillery
Actg Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:
5 Major GRAY
1 Col. SIMMONS, ACC/ASC
1 Main Hq, ACC/ASC
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ABLE GEORGE CHARLIE SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS FOR GRAY

INFORMATION DESIRED AS TO STATUS OF LIEUT MALDARI PD

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29 JUNE 1944

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AGC SARDINIA SIGNED GRAY FOR SIMMONS 226 AGS

REFERENCE TO SIGNAL DATED TWO SEVEN JUNE PD LIEUTENANT MALDARI IS WITH ME AS INTERPRETER BY VICTOR OBOE CHARLIE OBOE

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J. A. GRAY MAJOR INFANTRY

PMH EGERTON MAJOR R. Ir. F.

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TON C AND R RPT CHARLIE AND ROGER PD OLD VEHICLE MUST BE SHIPPED TO US

TO EFFECT EXCHANGE PD REPLACEMENT VEHICLE WILL THEN BE SHIPPED SARDINIA

PD KERR RPT KERR HAS DIRECTED THIS EXCHANGE BE MADE FOR YOU

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ALLIED CARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

12 JUNE 1944

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO :

MAJOR JAMES A. GRAY O-390821 INFANTRY

1. Having received orders from competent authority, the above listed AMERICAN personnel will proceed on or about 12 JUNE 1944 and return to their station on HAPLES. Travel by all-land aircraft is authorized. 25 JUNE 1944 / and surface craft.

By command of Brigadier General WHITE:

Augustus P. Vitali
AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Captain, Field Artillery
Adjutant General

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

June 12, 1944.

SUBJECT : U.S. At Naples.

TO : Colonel Simmons.

1. Request that I be permitted to travel to Na ples this date on the Cruiser Garibaldi.

2. Will return with the ship tomorrow night after transacting some personal business.

James A. Gray
JAMES A. GRAY
Major, Infantry.

In favor
Approved — Disapproved
Mark Clark

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534 G-3

9 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO : Major JAMES A. GRAY, O-290921, INF.
: Capt. LOUIS A. CERUTTI, O-452337, CAV.
: Pvt. Allison G. Seaver, 31266623.

1. You are hereby placed on TD for a period of five (5) days in SASSARI, MACOMER, LaMADDALENA and other places in SARDINIA to carry out matters pertaining to this command. Upon completion of mission, you will return to your proper station. Rations for five (5) days will be furnished by the Q.M. Travel by GOVT M/T is authorized.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Capt., Field Artillery,
Adjutant General.

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5- "Enlisted Man
1- 6732nd Hq & Hq Co.
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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534 G-5

30 May 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
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1. T/4 George A Jansen, 37289175, 715th Ry Opn Bn, having reported to this headquarters on DS in compliance with SO # 110, Allied Force Military Railway Service, 10 May 1944 is atchd to Co A 591st Eng Boat Regt for adm, rat and qtrs.

2. 1st Lt JOHN J DUNWORTH, O-394781, AGD, 6732nd Hq & Hq Co, AGS (Prov), is appointed Orientation Officer for this headquarters.

3. The following named officer and EM having reported to the Sardinia Representative, Army Sub-Commission, ACC for duty are atchd to the 6732nd Hq & Hq Co, AGS (Prov), for adm and to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rations:

Major JAMES A GRAY O-290921
Pvt Allison G Seaver 31266623

4. Capt FRANK E STANCIL, O-415887, QMC, Hq Base Planning Group, SOS NATOUSA (Prov), on duty with this headquarters per par 8, SO # 75, Hq SOS NATOUSA, dated 26 April 1944, is detailed to duty with the Sardinia Representative, Army Sub-Commission, ACC and will report without delay for necessary instructions.

5. The following named officer and EM, 6742nd QM Remount Depot, on duty with this headquarters per ltr Order file AG 210.453 BPAGC (25 May 44), Hq Peninsular Base Section, dated 25 May 1944, are detailed to duty with the Sardinia Representative, Army Sub-Commission, ACC and will report without delay for necessary instructions:

2nd Lt	ROBERT I. MILLER	O-1030596	Cav
M/Sgt	Willus Wm. Morgan	20413013	
S/Sgt	Clarence E. Royer	20327010	
T/5	Wm. J. Prendergast	32395947	
T/5	Joseph F. Muller	32208072	
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Pfc	Melvin Baker Webb	20826198	
Pvt	Isaiah J. Sewell	38229561	
Pvt	Alex S. Franklin	35912189	

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6. Capt MARK W GRESS, O-404837, Chaplains Corps, 12th Air Force, on TD with [illegible] with the concurrence of the Commanding General, 42nd Wing

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Representative, Army Sub-Commission, ACC for duty are atchd to the 6732nd Hq & Hq Co, AGS (Prov), for adm and to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rations:

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7. 1st Lt CHARLES N MIDDLETON, Jr, O-1101579, CE, 1993rd Composite Platoon FASC, is detailed to additional duties as Fire Marshal for the Island of Sardinia.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

JOHN P. DOYLE
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

Augustus P Vitali

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Capt., Field Artillery
Adjutant General

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

28 May 1944

SUBJECT: Report

TO : Major James A. Gray

1. You are directed to submit in writing, a complete report of your activities incident to your assignment to this detachment: such report to include the entire period between your receipt of movement orders and this date. Copies of all instructions and list of personnel involved will be incorporated as inclosures.

2. Included in the report also will be an explanation for the irregularities previously called to your attention verbally.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in Sardinia

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File Maj. Gray

ALLIED GARRISON TO SARDINIA
A.P.O. 534, U.S.Army

28 May 1944

SUBJECT: Report

TO : Commanding Officer, A.A.I., Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
A.P.O. 509, U.S. Army

1. The following is a report that I submit to explain the delay in route when I was ordered from Bari to this headquarters.

While at Lequille the afternoon of May 11, 1944 I received orders to proceed with a command car, driver and interpreter to Sardinia. (Copy attached)

I reached Barithat night and spent the next day turning over records and briefing Capt. Sellers who was to take over my duties there. I left Bari that evening and drove to Naples.

Reported the morning of the 13th to MMIA Hqs. in Naples but Col. Offenhaur was not in his office. Was told by Lt. Tonks, Port Officer, that I would have to contact the Water Division, P.B.S. to arrange for transport. Was informed that the cruiser could not handle the command car. I had previously been so informed by Col Kerr at Lequille. I left address and telephone at my billets and asked that I be notified if any messages came for me.

I contacted Major Luedke at Water Div. and was told that it would be about three days before there would be a ship for Sardinia. I was told again that the cruiser could not take the car.

I checked in at the Water Div. each day and on May 15th was told that the Jan, a Norweigan ocaster was due in and would take the car to Sardinia. Each day after that I was informe that the ship would be in tomorrow. Finally loaded the car on May 20. During this time I visited the MMIA office frequently and explained my difficulty. I asked for any messages but there were none. I assumed that if there were any I would be notified.

After loading car and driver I took the first available transport which was the Garibaldi leaving Naples May 21 and arriving at Cagliari the morning of the 22nd. Reported to this headquarters immediately after arrival.

I have since learned that a signal from Col Simmons directing that the car be loaded on the Garibaldi did arrive on the 21st but I had gone aboard the ship when Capt. Bacatti tried to contact me.

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Major, Infantry.

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MAIN HEADQUARTERS
ARMY SUB COMMISSION A.C.C.
APO 394 U S ARMY

11 May 1944

Subject: Travel Orders

To : Major James A Gray 0290921

1. You will proceed to Sardinia and upon arrival report to Colonel Simmons for duty.

2. Personnel and transport for the movement are as follows:

Major James A Gray 0290921
Private Seaver, Allison G 31266623
Interpreter Lt. Franco Maldari Italian Army

Transport
1 C & R car No. 20174915

3. Travel by Air, Motor vehicle or water transport is authorized.

4. Four days travel rations will be taken.

5. You are responsible for personnel and for maintenance of transport assigned you.

CLAYTON P KERR /s/
CLAYTON P KERR /t/
Commanding U S Contingent

Distribution:
Col Simmons Army Sub Comm ACC Sardinia
S.M.R.E
A.B.S. for rations

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James A Gray
JAMES A. GRAY
Major, Infantry

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No_____ (do not use) Date 23 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA AGC

Precedence ROUTINE Security Classification CONFIDENTIAL

TO: MAIA

From: AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMMNS BY GRAY Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 171

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE TWO TWO MAY ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO BAKER PD CONTACTED COLONEL LUENKE WATER DIVISION PHEBASE NAPLES ONE THREE MAY PD WAS INFORMED IMPOSSIBLE TO TRANSPORT COMMAND CAR ON CRUISERS PD FIRST SHIP GOING SARDINIA NORWEGIAN FREIGHTER JAN PD REPORTED MIKE NINE ITEM ABLE NAPLES LEFT TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS OF BILLETS PD LOADED COMMAND CAR AND DRIVER ON JAN TWO ZERO MAY PD LEFT TWO ONE MAY ON CRUISER GARIBALDI PD REPORTED THIS HOW QUEEN ON ARRIVAL CAGLIARI TWO TWO MAY

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Answer to signal 221500 May

Prepared by LOUIS A. GERUTTI (name) CAPTAIN (rank) CAVALRY (org)

Authenticated by LOUIS A. GERUTTI (name) CAPTAIN (rank) CAVALRY (org)

Ltr Sergt Gray

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TO AGC SARDINIA FOR SIMMONS
FROM MMIA
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ON 18 MAY (.) WAS ORDERED FROM BARI TO
SARDINIA ON 12 MAY WHEN AND IF HE REPORTS PLEASE
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To Memo 65-1

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Date 22 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence ROUTINE Security Classification RESTRICTED

TO: MMIA

From: FALCON SIGNED SIMMONS Originator's Reference Number ACS YOKE 169

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE ONE SEVEN APRIL CITE ZERO DASH THREE NINE FOUR PD
GRAY ARRIVED IN SARDINIA TWO TWO MAY WITH ITALIAN OFFICER INTERPRESTER PD
UNCLE SUGAR SOLDIER DRIVER AND COMMAND CAR WILL ARRIVE TWO THREE MAY

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TO: [redacted]

From: FALCON SIGNED SIMMONS

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FILE: MAJ. GRAY

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Date 19 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

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TO: MAIA INFO PATTON MAIN FOR OPTENHAUER

From: FALCON FOR SIMMONS

Originator's
Reference Number ACS YOKE 161

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE CITE ZERO DASH THREE NINE FOUR DATED ONE SEVEN MAY CLN GRAY HAS NOT RPT NOT ARRIVED SARDINIA PD SUGGEST COMMAND CAR AND PERSONNEL LEAVE DUKO BY CRUISER GARIBALDI TWO ONE MAY

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TO: MAIA INFO FATIMA MAIN FOR OFFENHAUER

From: FALCON FOR SIMMONS

Originator's Reference Number AOS YOKE 161

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

4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Disposition of Mules and Ammunition

TO : Colonel F. L. Simmons, Chief of Section, Army Sub-Commission, Sardinia

1. In compliance with orders from Col Simmons, to accompany mules and ammunition to Naples, the following report is submitted:

a. Left Cagliari at 1800 hours, 27 April and docked at port of Naples at 1200 hours, 29 April.

b. Met Captains Monico and Thrupp of Liaison Section, Army Sub-Commission, Naples at 1400 hours, 29 April and arranged for the disposition of the 168 mules and the 10,000 rounds of 81mm ammunition.

c. The 168 mules were unloaded and delivered to the Q-158 Remount Depot, Agnano race track as part of the 1630 Replacement Mules and the personnel of the 58 Reparto Salmerin, which accompanied the mules was sent to the Transit Camp at Afragola.

d. The 10,000 rounds of 81mm ammunition were unloaded and dispatched by rail to the ammunition dump for Italian forces at Capua as part of the ammunition requested as per letter ACC, AQ 13, 6 April 44, subject, ammunition for C.I.L.

A. B. Zegarelli
A. B. ZEGARELLI
Lieut, Infantry

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 520

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MESSAGE (Incoming) DATE 4 MAY 44

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TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS FROM ACC MAIN FOR ZEGARELLI FOR LIAISON OFFICER SIGNED MACFARLANE

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C/C Lt. Col. Parsons Legault.

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

27 April 1944

Date

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO : 1st Lt., AUGUSTINE ZEGARELLI, O-1306040, AGS.

1. You are, hereby placed on DS for a period of ( ) days in _____, on matters pertaining to this command. Upon completion of this duty you will return to your proper station. Travel by military aircraft is authorized or surface transportation TCNT TDN 99-66 P 432-02 1 A 0425-24.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Capt., Field Artillery,
Actg. Adjutant General.

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

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23 March 1944

SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 29)

1. 1st Lt. AUGUSTINE ZEGARELLI, O-10306040, Inf., 6732nd Hq & Hq Co., AGS, (Prov) is atchd to 310th Service Group for rat and qtrs.

2. The following named officers org as indicated will report to Major MILTON J. ADLER, O-259307, Army Exchange Office at the main Post Exchange Store, Cagliari at 0900 hours, 25 March 1944, for the purpose of inventorying Post Exchanges at Cagliari and Elmas:

1st Lt. BURTON R. RAWDING, O-1636298, SC, 42nd Wing (US)
2nd Lt. PALMER (NMI) RICHARDSON, O-1049629, 74th CA (AA) Regt.

3. 1st Lt. JOHN J. DUNWORTH, O-394781, AGD, 6732nd Hq & Hq Co., AGS, (Prov), is aptd Class A Agent Finance Officer to Capt. W. T. FORMAN, O-1280054, FD, for the purpose of paying O's and EM of 6732nd Hq & Hq Co., AGS, (Prov), payroll for the month of March 1944. Auth: AR 35-320.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

JOHN F. DOYLE
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

PAUL M. HAUSLE
CWO., USA.
Asst Adjutant General

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
AFO 534

14 March 1944
Date

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO : 1st Lt. AUGUSTINE ZEGARELLI, O-10306040, Inf., AGS.

1. You are hereby placed on DS for a period of (?) days in Algiers, N. Africa, on matters pertaining to this command. Upon completion of this duty you will proceed to your proper station. Travel by military aircraft is authorized. Fund Code 1-9600 P 432-02 1 A 0425-24.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Capt., Field Artillery
Actg, Adjutant General

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 520 G-3

25 January 1944.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NO. 22)

1. Having reported on TD with ACCLFSC, this Hq, Auth: Par 6, SO #14 AFHQ, Sicily, Reg Hq. 17 Jan 1944, Major, STEPHEN D. MARTIN, O-308542, is atchd to Hq. Sq. 42nd Wing (US) for rat and qtrs.

2. So much of par 6, SO #1, this Hq, cs, as reads "591st Eng, Boat Regt", is amended to read "Co. "A" 591st Eng Boat Regt."

3. So much of par 1, SO #1, this Hq, cs, as reads "Assigned to duty as Asst. Eng",is rescinded.

4. CWO, PAUL M. HAUSLE, W-2108498, and Pvt. Edward E. Core, 15332209, 1st AAA Group, are reld from DS with Hq. 42nd Wing (US).

5. The following named W/O & EM are trfd from 1st AAA Group to 6732nd Hq & Hq Co, AGS, (Prov), Auth: Cable NATOUSA., Cite WLOLP, 24 Jan 1944.

CWO.	PAUL M. HAUSLE	W-2108498
T/Sgt.	Ralph C. Hartberg	37148865
Sgt.	Francis L. LoMo	16063065
Pvt.	Edward E. Core	15332209

WD w/o delay by Govt. MT, BU.T Cg for duty. Above W/O & EM are atchd to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rat and qtrs.

6. Major, JOSEPH R. BENNETT, O-228664, QMC, Det "B" 2665 Hq & Hq Co. (Prov) is placed on DS with 310th Service Group.

7. 1st Lt. AUGUSTINE ZEOLARELLI, O-1032040, having reported to this Hq in compliance with ltr, NATOUSA, file AG 201-AGP 16 Jan 1944, is asgnd to duty as Asst. G-2 and atchd to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rat and qtrs.

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2. So much of par 5, SO #1, this Hq, cs, as reads "591st Eng, Boat Regt", is amended to read "Co. "A" 591st Eng Boat Regt."

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T/Sgt.	Ralph C. Harzberg	37148865
Sgt.	Francis L. Lamb	16063065
Pvt.	Edward E. Core	15332209

WP w/o delay by Govt. MT, RUMT Cg for duty. Above W/O & EM are atchd to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rat and qtrs.

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7. 1st Lt. AUGUSTINE ZERILLI, O-1030640, having reported to this Hq in compliance with ltr, NATOUSA, file AG 201-AGP 16 Jan 1944, is assgnd to duty as Asst. G-2 and atchd to Hq Sq 42nd Wing (US) for rat and qtrs.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

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JOHN P. DOYLE
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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

2 April 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Officer

TO : Commander, Army Sub Commission A.C.C., Lequila

1. In accordance with verbal instructions, Commander, Army Sub Commission, A.C.C., Captain C. H. Owen, on duty with this detachment since 22 February 1944, departed this date for Naples enroute to Headquarters MMIA, Lequila.

2. The services of Captain Owen, during the brief period prior to his admission to hospitalization on 13 March 1944, were not satisfactory. It is believed that the principal cause for the unsatisfactory performance of duties by Captain Owen is lack of military experience. His entire service has been rendered in military police organizations on duty at ports which has provided him with no background for such duties as are required on his assignment here. Among the shortcomings observed are failure to comply with specific instructions, interference with personnel not in his channel of responsibility, and such personal matters as participation in dances for enlisted men and continued residence in transient hotel after requested to move to officer's quarters at Elmas. In addition, his almost entire lack of knowledge of Italian language made his services in a staff capacity of little value.

3. The contents of paragraph two, above, were discussed in detail with Captain Owen prior to his departure. It is believed none of his shortcomings are impossible to correct provided he understands thoroughly their importance in connection with his value to the service.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
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ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

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Date 2 APRIL 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

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TO: MMIA RPT FATIMA FOR QUINSMITH

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 77

CAPTAIN CHARLIE HOW OWEN DEPARTED ZERO EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS TWO APRIL FOR LUKO ENROUTE TO LEQUILE

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Reference Number AGS YOKE 77

CAPTAIN CHARLIE HOW OWEN DEPARTED ZERO EIGHT ZERO ZERO HOURS TWO APRIL FOR DUKO ENROUTE TO LEQUILE

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Personal Post Orders

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SUBJECT: Assignments Officers.

Army Sub Commission, A.C.C.
Main HQ (MMIA)
LECUILE (LECCE)
AQ/4
3 Mar 44.

Col. SIMONS (thru Allied Garrison Cmnd, SARDINIA.

The attached copy of letter, 1600A/6/G - 1 of 27 Feb from HQ., A.C.C. is forwarded for information.

F. J. Noad
for Brigadier.
Army Sub Comm, A.C.C.

TVS.

copy: Camp Cmdt.

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FILE: MMIA (CAPT. OWEN)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.
APO 394.
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REFERENCE : 16004/6/G - 1 27 February 1944.

SUBJECT : Assignments - Officers.

TO : Regional Commissioner.
Region IV.

Captain C.H. OWEN.

1. Reference your R4/201(O) Capt. Owen dated 25 Feb 44.

2. It is regretted that no information regarding the movement of the above named officer to Sardinia was given to you.

3. This officer has been assigned to MMIA Sardinia and will not be available for AMG 5 Army, Rome City Party.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUT GENERAL MASON MACFARLANE

Sgd: F.A. PURGOLD
Lt Colonel, R.A.
G-1.

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copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission.

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File MMIA (CAPT OWEN)

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
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DATE 21 FEB 1944

TO FABLE FOR DUNLOP FOR SIMMONS PD CITE FARGO ONE ZERO NINE ONE
PD PEN BASE PREN FARGO

ASSIGNED TO YOU IS CAPT HOWARD OW EN PD DUE TWO ZERO FEB YOUR REGION

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

Ag 300.4 18 February 1944

SUBJECT: Travel Orders.

TO : Officer Concerned.

1. Capt C. HOWARD-OWEN, 147426, (B) this Hq, will preceed on or about 18 February 1944, to Sardinia on temporary duty in connection with ACC activities. Upon completion of temporary duty will return to proper station.

2. Travel by military aircraft is authorized.

By command of Lieut. General MACFARLANE:

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
WO(JG), USA
Actg Asst Adj

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File: officers
Capt. H. Owen

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FOR SIMMONS SIGNED CINC CITE FHMGS

BODLEY HOPES RETURN SATURDAY TWO NINE APRIL ADDRESS CIVIL

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 534

25 APRIL 1944
Date

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.
J.R.C. BODELEY MAJOR (E)
TO :

1. Above are hereby placed on DS for a period of ( ) days in _____, on matters pertaining to this command. Upon completion of this duty you will return to your proper station. Travel by military aircraft is authorized. TCNT TDN 99-66 P 432-02 1 A 0425-24.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

Augustus P. Vitali
AUGUSTUS P. VITALI
Capt., Field Artillery
Actg Adjutant General

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

22 April 1944

SUBJECT: Request for Reassignment, Major J.R.C. Bodley, K.R.R.C.

TO : Commanding General, Army Sub Commission, (A.C.C.), Lequile

1. Herewith is inclosed statement by officer concerned, with the request that suggestion for reassignment contained therein be favorably considered.

2. Major Bodley, upon arrival at this station, stated verbally that he was inexperienced in staff duties but was sent on a special mission to Corsica at the direction of Chief Commissioner, A.C.C. Upon completion of this mission he returned and, after a conference, submitted the inclosed letter.

3. It is believed that the best interest of the service will be furthered by compliance with Major Bodley's request. His frankness in stating his own estimate of the situation is to be highly commended. He has manifested highly desirable personal qualities and his usefullness to this detachment is only limited by his entire lack of experience and training in the duties required by his present assignment.

4. Major Bodley is not surplus here and his reassignment will necessitate the detail of a replacement. It is urged that such replacement be a British officer with staff and troop experience.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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Major Bodley's letter

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19th April 1944

Colonel Floyd L. Simmons
Commanding Detachment Army Sub-Commission (A.C.C.) Sardinia

Sir

I have the honour to set before you the following facts, and respectfully request that they may be submitted to Major General Browning CB. CBE. MC. commanding Army Sub-Commission (A.C.C.), for his consideration.

From February to October 1943 I was P.A.D. and Civil Defence Controller for Algiers town and Algiers Area, principally engaged in Organising French Civil Defence and coordinating it with Military P.A.D.

In October 1943, on an urgent call for officers with a thorough knowledge of French, I was "lent" to the hurriedly formed 32 Military Mission with the French Forces in Corsica. When this temporary Mission was made into a permanent establishment I was asked to stay on with it. The Mission was, however, dissolved in February, and I was appointed to Army Sub-Commission (A.C.C.)

It would seem that I was selected for this appointment under a misapprehension as to my qualifications, for I have never had any Staff experience. (The small amount of Liaison work I have done cannot be so described.) On enquiring of Liaison Section and M.S. at A.F.H.Q as to my future duties, I was unable to obtain any information, but I was given to understand that I had been selected on the strength of a letter from Major General Stronge under whose command I had been with 32 Military Mission in Corsica. It was not until my arrival in Sardinia that I became aware of the nature of the appointment.

But having no previous knowledge of Staff work in any department, and having no experience of office organisation and routine, it is evident that I am not well fitted to fill the appointment competently and efficiently. My ignorance of Staff duties and lack of experience would be a hindrance, with attendant loss of time. Consequently, to my great regret, I feel that it is my duty to request, in the interests of efficiency, that I relinquish this appointment.

I would respectfully suggest that I would be more usefully employed on work in which I have been trained and in which I have had previous experience.

As already stated I have specialised in P.A.D. (Air-raid Precautions and Civil Defence) I have a thorough knowledge of camouflage. I have had considerable experience of Security work (Intelligence "B").

I have a thorough knowledge of French, having lived in France for twenty five years. (I speak no Italian)

I shall be fifty-one this summer.

While expressing my sincere regret, I am convinced that it is my duty to lay these facts before you in the interest of the service.

I am your obedient servant

(Signed J.R.C. Bodley
Major, K.R.R.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Office of the Deputy President
APO 394

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1st. April, 1944.

My dear Colonel,

I am anxious that Major Bodley, who is joining you and brings this note with him, should have an opportunity of visiting Corsica for a day or two as soon as this can be arranged.

2. As you probably know, Major Bodley has been in Corsica for a considerable time and has an intimate knowledge of the situation regarding the Italian troops in Corsica and in particular their rather difficult relations with the French.

3. I hope that you will be able to arrange for Major Bodley to make a quick trip to Corsica as soon as possible and that you will report the results of his trip to Brigadier Duchaine and myself on his return.

4. With all good wishes and hoping that I will be able to get over to Cagliari to see you all in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

NOEL MASON MACFARLANE,
Lieutenant-General,
Chief Commissioner.

Colonel Floyd Simmons,
Army Sub-Commission (ACC),
CAGLIARI,
SARDINIA.

Bodley (3) Ltr

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
P.A.D. & C.D. Section
A.P.O. 512

JRCB/lp

25 May 1944

TO: Colonel Floyd Simmons, Commanding, Army Sub-Commission (A.C.C.) Sardinia

Dear Colonel Simmons:

On arriving here I found that the order posting me to P.A.D. & C.D. Section, AFHQ had been sent out by M.S. on 6 May, addressed to A.A.I. (copies to G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon; P.A.D. & C.D. Section; Camp Commandant, AFHQ), and surprise was expressed that orders for me to report here had not reached me. So everything is in order, and you were entirely justified in forestalling the arrival of the order by allowing me to proceed to Algiers.

I have seen Colonel Oliver (Italian Sub-Section of Liaison Section, AFHQ) and gave him the information contained in Lt. Colonel Fassner's notes of 16 May. Colonel Oliver said that he would enquire into the question of the 300 Italians and have necessary action taken. He was grateful for the information.

I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my very great appreciation of your understanding and helpfulness, and your kindness to me in every way. I wish I could have had the privilege of continuing to serve under you, but, at all events, I had the pleasure of making your acquaintance, and for this I am grateful.

Would you be kind enough to thank Major Martin and the other members of your staff for their unfailing kindness to me during my stay in Sardinia.

I hope that we may meet again, and that you will let me know if you ever come to Algiers.

With kindest regards.

Yours very sincerely,

J. R. C. Bodley

From: Major J. R. C. Bodley, M.C.
Asst. P.A.D. & C.D. Advisor, AFHQ

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FOR ACTION TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS, AGS PLEASE PASS. MEDIA FOR INFO

FROM AAI

CITE 8823/4/MS

MAJ J.R.C. BODLEY WILL BE DESPATCHED EARLIEST TO AFHQ TO ASSUME SOPAD

RESCRIPT VJT 19 MAY 1944

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
OUTGOING MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX NO 2

To Memo 65-1

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Date 16 MAY 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

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TO: AMLA

From: PARSON SIGNED SECRET

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NO ORDERS RECEIVED TO DATE REASSIGNING MAJOR BODLEY PD UNLESS SIGNAL RECEIVED TO CONTRARY BODLEY LEAVING FOR ALGIERS ONE EIGHT MAY

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From: FALCON SIGNED SIMMONS

Originator's Reference Number AGS TOEL 183

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FILE: MAJ. BOOLEY

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To Memo 65-1

Msg Center No _____ (Do not use) Date 20 MARCH 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

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To: MMIA RPT FATIMA FOR QUINSMITH

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 69

NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS OF MAJOR BODLEY

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From: SIMMONS AT FALCON

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NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHEREABOUTS OF MAJOR BODLEY

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PAREN TO FALCON FOR SIMMON RPTD FATIMA REAR FOR QUINSMITH FROM MMIA

RPT MMIA CITE ABLE QUEEN SEVEN NINE ONE PAREN

PRESENT LOCATION MAJOR BODLEY RPT BODLES UNKNOWN PD HAS HE REPORTED

SARDINIA QUERY

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PRESENT LOCATIFN VAJOR BODLEY RPT BODLES UNKNOWN PD HAS HE REPORTED SARDINIA QUERY

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FROM/MMIA RPT MMIA TO FREEDOM FOR ACTION RPTD FALCON FOR SIMMONS CITE ABLE QUEEN SLANT SEVEN SEVEN THREE

FOR DEP MIL SEC RPT/DEP MIL SEC PD FURTHER GO MY ABLE/QUEEN

SEVEN THREE FIVE OF ONE XERO MAR BODLEY NOT RPT NOT YET ARRIVED

AND URGENTLY REQUIRED PD REQUEST DETAILS OF ETA RPT ETA

2ND PRESENT

LOCATION PD

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FOR DEP MIL SEC RPT DEP MIL SEC PD FURTHER GO MY ABLE QUEEN

SEVEN THREE FIVE OF ONE XERO MAR BODLEY NOT RPT NOT YET ARRIVED

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TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS

FROM MMIA RPT MMIA CITE ABLE QUEEN SEVEN FOUR XERO

REFER MY XERO TWO THREE NINE DATED ONE SIX FEB PD BODLEY EXPECTED LEQUILE RPT LEQUILE ELEVEN MARCH PD INTEND TO JOIN YOU AS OSO RPT OSO ONE ONE PD HAVE YOU ANY QUESTIONS FOR HIM TO CLEAR WHILE HE IS THERE PD

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To Memo 69-1

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Date 3 APRIL 1944

Headquarters of Origin ARMY SUB COMMISSION CMA ACC

Precedence PRIORITY Security Classification SECRET

TO: FATIMA FOR OFFENHAUER RPT MMIA

From: SIMMONS AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AGS YORK 78

RESERVATION FOR BODLEY ON COURIER FROM POMIGLIANNO TO ELMAS AT ONE THREE ZERO ZERO HOURS EITHER FOUR OR FIVE APRIL

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From: SIMMONS AT FALCON

Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 78

RESERVATION FOR BODLEY ON COURIER FROM POMIGLIANNO TO KLMAS AT ONE THREE ZERO ZERO HOURS EITHER FOUR OR FIVE APRIL

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Authenticated by S. D. MARTIN (name) MAJOR (rank) C.M.P. (org)

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URGENT 82123/3 CONFIDENTIAL

TO FALRON FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIMA FOR OFFENFAUER FOR LIAISON OFFICER

SIGNED MACFARLANE

MAJOR BODLEY NOW IN NAPLES WAITING TO JOIN YOUR STAFF FB

CAN YOU ARRANGE FOR BOMBER TO FLY HIM WITH TWO XERO XERO POUNDS

LUGGAGE TO ELMAS PA PLEASE ADVISE DETAILS EARLIEST

Extract
ACC/ASC
(Sqn Ldr) A.F.S.

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CAN YOU ARRANGE FOR BOMBER TO FLY HIM WITH TWO XERO XERO POUNDS
LUGGAGE TO ELMAS PA PLEASE ADVISE DETAILS EARLIEST

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PRIORITY 181500A

TO FREEDOM CVA FALCON FOR SIMMONS FATIMA PASS FROM FWIA PAREN CLNO PAREN TO C FALCON FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIMA SIGNED A MCFARLANE CITE FHDVS RPT FHDVS ZERO TWO FIVE ZERO FOUR TWO NINE

FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF WWIA RPT WWIA SIGNAL CODE TWO THREE NINE OF SIXTEENTH FEBRUARY ACCEPT MAJOR BOWLEY BUT AS YET HAVE NO RPT NO SECOND GRADE VACANCY FOR INCREASED WE ARE NOW APPLYING PD BODLEY SHOULD REPORT EIASOT TO SIMMONS ELMAS RPT ELMAS IF STILL IN CORSICA PD SHOLD REPORT TO RSO RPT RSO RPT ABLE ROGER ARMY SUB DASH COMMISSION LEQUILE RPT LEQUILE NEAG LEGGE MAP REFERENCE QUEEN FIVE NINE IN FIRST INSTANCE LF ELSE WHERE PD ADVISE PROBABLE DATE AVAILABLE PLEASE

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TO FREEDOM CVA FALCON FOR SIMMONS [illegible]

PAREN TO C FALCON FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIMA SIGNED A MCFARLANE CITE

FHDMS RPT FHDMS ZERO TWO FIVE ZERO FOUR TWO NINE

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ROUTINE 1815Z/A

TO FREEDOM CMA FALCON FON SYMMONS FATIVA PASS FROM MMIA PAREN CLN PRREN

TO FALCON FOR SIMMONS FROM FATIVA SIGNED MCFARLINE CITE FHDWS

XERO TWO FIVE XERO FORR TWO NINE PX

FOLOWPONG IS PARAPHRASE OF MMIA RPT MMIA SIGNAL OBOE TWO THREE NINE LF SIXTEENTH FEBRUARY ACCEPT MAJOR BODLEY BUT AS YET HAVE NO RPT NO SECOND NRADVCANCY WOR INCREASED WE ERE NOW APPLYING PD BODLEY SHOULD REPORT EIASOT TO ORRXIEL SIMMONS ELVAR. RPT ELVAR IF OJCOGY XDV STILL IN CORDICA PD SHOULD REPORT TO RSO RPT OSOAR RPT ABLE ROGER ARMY SUB BASE COMMISSION LEQUILE RPT LEQUILE NEAR LECCE MUP REFERENCE QUEEN FIVE NINE IN FIRST INSTANCE IO ELSEWHERE PD ADVISE PROBABLE DATE AVAILABLE PLEASE

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FOLOWPDNG IS PARAPHRASE OF VVIA RPT VVIA SIXNAL OBOE TWO THREE NINE OF SIXTEENTH FEBRUARY ACCEPT MAJOR BODLEY BUT AS YET HAVE NO RPT NO SECODN NRADX VYCANCY WOR INCREASED WE ERE NOW APPLYING PD BVDLEY SHOULD REPORT EIASOT TO CRRXIEL SIWWONS ELVAR. RPT ELVAR IF OJCOGY XDV STILL IN GORDICA PD SHOULD REPORT TO RSO RPT CSOAR RPT ABLE ROGER ARMY SUB BASE COMVISSION LEQUILE RPT LEQUILE NEAR LECCE VUP REFERENCE QUEEN FIVE NINE IN FIRST INSTANCE IO ELSEWHERE PD SDVISE FROBABLE DATE AVAILAXLE PLEASE

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PRIORITY 231919A

ACTION HQ ACMF RPT DMCC RPT ACC CMA FAKIR CMA FLAMBO CMA ALLIED GARRISON COMMANDER SARDINIA FOR INFORMATION

DISREGARD THAT PART OF OUR FOUR ONE SEVEN SIX THREE OF TWENTY TWO JANUARY PERTAINING TO MAJOR BODLEY X SIGNED GINO X CITE FHQGT RPT FHQGT X HE IS TO BE GIVEN ASSIGNMENT OTHER THAN LIAISON OFFICER ITALIAN HQ CORSICA X ACTION HQ ACMF FAKIR PASS TO LT COL RAPHASEL TO DISREGARD THAT PART OF OUR FOUR THREE NINE ONE TWO PERTAINING TO MAJOR BODLEY AND DIRECT BODLEY TO REPORT TO MS RPT MS AFHQ FOR POSTING TO AFHQ

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ROUTINE TO FOR ACTION HQ ACMF RPTD ACC CMA FAKIR CMA FLAMBO CMA
ALLIED GARRISON COMMANDER SARDINIA FOR INFORMATION
SIGNED C IN C CITE FHGCT
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NUMBER ONE FOUR THREE TWO ZERO MAJOR JIG ROGER CHARLIE BODLEY KRRC
CMA GSO TWO LIAISON WITH ITALIAN FORCES IN CORSICA IS CURRENTLY
BORNE ON STRENGTH OF THIRTY TWO MILITARY MISSION OWING TO THE CHANGES
THIS MISSION BEING ABOLISHED WITH EFFECT TWENTY FIVE JAN X IN VIEW
OF NUMBER OF ITALIANS IN CORSICA NOW SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED
RISING SHORTLY TO OVER TEN THOUSAND IT IS DESIRED THIS OFFICER CON-
TINUE INDEFINITELY ON PRESENT DUTIES X REQUEST YOU WILL APPLY FOR
APPROPRIATE VACANCY ON STRENGTH MIA WITH EFFECT FROM TWENTY FIVE JAN

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

12 April
30 March 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Receipt

TO : Commanding Officer, Co. "F", 2675 Co, A.C.C.

1. Receipt for Service Records and other records of following is hereby acknowledged.

Sgt. Francesco A. Loiero 31164577
Pfc. Richard R. Curtin 33783725

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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COMPANY "F"
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 397

4 April 1944

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Records

TO : Commanding Officer, Allied Forces Headquarters,
ACC, Land Forces Sub-Commission.

1. Transmitted herewith S/R and allied papers of Sgt Francesco A. Loiero, 31164577, placed on D/S with your Command, per par 7, SO No. 1, Headquarters, 2675th Regt., ACC, APO 394, dated 17 March 1944.

2. Service Record and allied papers of Pvt Richard R. Curtin, 33783725, are being held for completion.

3. Request acknowledgement of receipt by indorsement.

HENRY DISCOE
WO (jg) AUS
Pers Off

3 Incls:

Incl 1-WD Form 24
Incl 2-WD Form 20
Incl 3-WD Form 32

1st. Ind
ARMY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 509, 6 April 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, Company "F" 2675 Regt. (Prov) ACC, APO 397.

1. Returned with request that all records of Pfc Richard R. Curtin, 33783725, Hq. Co. 2675 Regt. (Prov) ACC be forwarded to this office by return mail. Any "completion" necessary will be effected here immediately without the delay which has ensued thusfar. Copy of dispatch directing transfer of records, dated 25 March 1944, inclosed.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

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Copy of cable

FILE: Loiero

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1st. Ind
ARMY SUB COMMISSION, ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION, APO 509, 8 April 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, Company "p" 2675 Regt. (Prov) ACC, APO 397.

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REAR ECHELON
HEADQUARTERS
2675th REGIMENT
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
(PROVISIONAL)
APO 394

RTU/pf

13 February 1944.

File: 300.4

SUBJECT: Orders.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Sgt Francesco A. Loiero, 31164577, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Control Commission, is reld fr asgmt thereto and asgd to Company "F", this Regt, and will proceed on or about 14 February 1944, as driver in charge on one "Jeep", reporting to the CO thereof for dy.

2. Rations for three (3) days will be provided.

3. Travel by M/A is directed as essential for the accomplishment of an emergency war mission.

By order of Colonel PARKIN:

/s/ R. T. Uhler,
/t/ R. T. UHLER,
Major, A.G.D.,
Actg Adjutant.

DISTRIBUTION:

EM Concerned.....3
CO, 2675th Regt.....1
CO, Hq Co, 2675th Regt.....1
CO, Co F, 2675th Regt,.....2
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File: Enlisted Men

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

220.3 -P-Curtin, Richard R. (Enl) 17 February 1944

SUBJECT: Reassignment.

TO : Enlisted Man Concerned.

1. Pfc Richard R. Curtin, 33783725, is relieved from assignment and duty this Headquarters and assigned to Region VI, Sardinia. Will proceed without delay, reporting on arrival to RCAO for duty. This is a permanent change of station.

2. Travel by military aircraft is authorized.

By command of Lieut General MACFARLANE:

Nicholas Piombino
NICHOLAS PIOMBINO
1LT(JG), USA
Actg Asst Adj

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

23 February 1944

Subject: Error in Assignment, Personnel

To : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regt., A.C.C. (Prov)
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army

1. Letter order, HQ 2675th Regt., 13 February 1944, transfered Sgt. Francesco A. Leiero, 31264377, from Hq. Co. to Co. "F", 2675th Regt. This order was issued in response to cable (MacFarlane to AFHQ for MIS for Parkin) 10 February 1944 which directed soldier to report to undersigned for duty. Copies of letter order and cable inclosed.

2. Letter order HQ, ACC, 17 February 1944, transfered Pfc. Richard R. Curtin, 33783725, from Hq. ACC to Region VI. Copy of letter order inclosed.

3. Each of soldiers referred to in Par. 1 and 2, above, was intended for duty with this detachment, not with Region VI nor Co. "F", 2675th Regt. T/5 Alex Gentile, 36316209, and Pfc. Vincent Tarantino, 32283827, each on duty with this detachment since 27 November 1943, are assigned to Hq. Co., 2675th Regt. The records of Hq., Allied Garrison Sardinia, which must carry the personnel of the detachment as attached, will be simplified if Sgt. Leiero and Pfc. Curtin are continued in Hq. Co., 2675th Regt., which is hereby requested.

4. Request all records of soldiers necessary to their pay and other administrative needs be forwarded to undersigned without delay.

F. L. SIMMONS
Colonel, Infantry
Representative in
Sardinia

3 Incl.
2 letter orders
1 cable

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File: Enlisted Men

ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 520

AGS

MESSAGE (Incoming) (XXXXXX DATE- 25 MARCH 1944

ROUTINE 251050A

PAREN TO FAELE FOR CARR FOR HALE FOR ACTION RPT FALCON FOR SIMMONS FOR INFO FROM FATIMA FROM PARKIN

SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN

REF NR TWO FIVE FIVE THREE RESTRICTED

HOLD SERVICE RECORDS SERGEANT LOIERO AND PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CURTIN PENDING ARRIVAL COLONEL SIMMONS

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INFORMATION COPY TO LFSC, 3RD ADJ, A.G.S.

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To Memo 65-1

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Date 11 FEBRUARY 1944

Headquarters of Origin LAND FORCES SUBCOMMISSION CMA ACC

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TO: FREEDOM FOR CINC CITE FHQAP FOR SOTTONG CMA RPT FATIMA CMA MMLA CMA

FARGO FOR RATISBONE

From: WEBSTER AT FALCON Originator's Reference Number AGS YOKE 32

REFERENCE PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT CAPTAIN AUGUSTUS PETER VITALI CMA ZERO DASH THREE THREE EIGHT SEVEN ONE TWO CMA FOX ABLE CMA TO SIX SEVEN THREE TWO HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY CMA ALLIED GARRISON SARDINIA CLN REPORT ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION HAS APPROVED HIS TRANSFER FROM TWO SIX SEVEN FIVE REGIMENT PAREN PROVISIONAL PAREN PD REQUEST TRANSFER BE ACCOMPLISHED AND CONFIRMED BY CABLE CMA REPEATED TO MMLA CMA FARGO FOR RATISBONE

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FANGO FOR RATHBONE

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ALLIED GARRISON OF SARDINIA
APO 520 G-3

26 January 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter Orders.

TO : Capt. AGUSTUS P. VITALI, O-338712, AGS.

1. You will proceed on or about 26 January 1944 to Naples, Italy, for a period of approximately two (2) days, on matters pertaining to this command. Upon completion of this TD you will return to your proper station. Travel by military aircraft is authorized. TCNT TDN 1-5600 P 432-02 1 A 0425-24.

By command of Brigadier General WEBSTER:

Paul M Hawkins
PAUL M. HAWKINS,
C.W.O., U. S. A.
Adjutant General.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TRIP 7 DECEMBER 1943

1.) MUORO: Inspected the following units of the 22nd Infantry Regt., commanded by COLONEL TOMASINI. (CREMONA DIV.)

1 Infantry Company- C.O. 2nd Lt. CESAROTTI
1 Sappers Company- C.O. Capt. CAVALINI
1 Demolitions (Guastatori) Platoon- C.O. 2nd Lt. VIDOSSI

Strength: Organic 2414
Actual 2114
Hospital 6
Sardinian leave 1

This group put on demonstration of attack on hill,- 1st the demolitions platoon advanced by squads which had men with explosives and also riflemen to cover them. Then came the Sappers, which had squads of demolitions men, flame-throwers and covering riflemen, and finally the infantry company.

The platoons led by 2nd Lts. or by Sergeant-Majors, and squads by corporal-majors and corporals

Arms were rusty and not well kept.

Clothing was not uniform. Men possessed only what they were wearing. Shoes in poor condition. Not all men had underwear or sweaters. Coats had patches.

Rations reported by Regt'l. C. O. to be:
60 gr. pasta per day
250 gr. bread " "
150 gr. meat " week

Men billeted in empty barns, churches and school-houses in the vicinity.

Organization:

The 22nd Inf. Regt, is made up of 3 Inf. Bns., one cannon company, and one sappers company. The Demolitions platoon is part of the Divisional Demo. Company.

The sad state of equipment and of morale of men was attributed to circumstances of evacuation from CORSICA. (by Regt'l C. O.)

2.) ESTI: Inspected 6th Co., 2nd Bn. of 21st Inf Regt. (CREMONA DIV.)

REGT'L C. O. - COL. PALESTE
C. O. 2nd Bn. - Lt. Col. SCOTTI
C. O. 6th Company - Capt. MOSCHETTO
- Lt. MARIETTI

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BITTI (Cont.)

Company inspected on road outside of town.
Shoes in very poor shape - soles gone on most.
Small arms in very poor shape - lack of any semblance of care. Attributed to lack of oils and lubricants
Uniforms shoddy and piecemeal.

The kitchen inspected: very dirty surroundings and dirty cooks. Breakfast consisted of 1/5 canteen of coffee; sugar running out. Dinner consisted of a soup, meat, and peas. Supper consisted solely of pasta supplemented by edible grasses which the soldiers picked in fields. Small piece of dark soggy bread.

Visit to Orderly Room and Co. Supply Room, - talk with 1st. Sgt.

Visit to Billets: Men sleeping on straw mattresses, two blankets. Equipment hanging and food around. Courtyard poor state of police.

3.) BULZOBO: Inspected briefly 10th Co., 3rd Bn., 21st. Inf., Regt. (CREMONA DIV.) on road.

C. O. 3rd Bn. - MAJ. CAMAIORA
C. O. 10th Company - Lt. SANDINI

Strength:	Organic	250 men
	Actual	212 "
	Hospital	2 "
	Sardinian furlough	13 "

Shoes of this company were in somewhat better shape than other companies. Weapons poorly kept.

4.) PATTADA: Hq. CREMONA DIV.

C. O. GENERAL PRIMIERI
C/S - COL. SPILIMBERGO

Inspected briefly:
(a) Motorcycle, machine-gun Company
3 platoons of 30 cycles each
13 cycle trucks (8 missing)
2 light trucks
(b) 44th Telradio Company
Had telephone and radio equipment but lacked batteries and transport.
(c) 44th Photoelectric Section (Searchlights)
2 large and 2 small searchlights
Equipment in very good shape, apparently.

Weapons of men in poor shape - as also their uniforms.
Motorcycles in fair mechanical condition and fair tires, but no replacement parts available.

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5.) OZIENI: Visited Medical Supply Depot in charge of

CAPT. MELONI (INF.) – Administrator
2nd LT. DEBUCA – Pharmacist

The depot had an abundance of cotton dressing but was out of or very low on medicines, novocaine, quinine, thermometers, hypodermic syringes, etc. All stocks are far below par in quantity.

There are two complete field hospitals in storage plus parts of two others.
Linen is low
Lot of nondescript troops hanging around the ground the area. Place not too clean
This is the only important medical supply depot on the island.

6.) OZIENI: Visited the -- Field Hospital

Strength: 7 officers, - namely

1 Medical – surgical
1 Pharmacist
1 Administrator
1 Chaplin

organic – 57 men
actual – 90 men
organic – 50 beds
possible –300 beds

This hospital had a sergeant major who was capable of performing laboratory techniques but not all field hospitals have one – Medical off. usually do this.

The enlisted men seemed to know their functions as ward men.

The hospital had a surgical tent and four larger ward tents. The surgical instruments were rusty and in poor state of maintenance.
This Unit had just arrived from CORSICA.

7.) OZIENI: Inspected the 70th Mobile Heavy Machine Shop, commanded by 2nd Lt. BORIN, SERGIO (Absent)

Strength: Organic 80
Present 12
remainder at ABBADANTA
Equipment: 6 heavy trucks w/trailers (2 units in Corsica)
2 lathes
Boring machines
Electric Welder
Oxy-Acetylen Welder
8 Work-benches
20 vises
Vulcanizer
Hand tools

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OZIERI (Cont.)

Repairs engines but not ordinance.
Has no stock of spare-parts.
The personnel are all machinist specialist.

8.) OSCHIRI: Inspected the 3rd. Btry, 1st. Bn, 7th Artillery Regt. (CREMONA)

C. O. Regt. - COL. CATANIA
Bn. C. O. - CAPT. SERGIO
Btry C. O. - LT. PANCRIA

This was a battery of 100/17 guns. The personnel were better shood and better clothed than the infantry units inspected.

The battery was completely equipped with wire communication, signal devices, optical instruments (Italian units do not have range-finders) and fire control instruments. The Regt'l C. O. reported that the 2nd. Bn. had tractors as prime-movers but that this 1st. Bn. had none and was for the present moved by horses.

The gunner and cannoneers appeared to be well trained in their duties

The guns appeared to be in good mechanical condition and fairly well maintained. The small individual small arms were poor.

It was claimed that this unit saw action during the invasion of France in 1940

In all the above units, the men showed a lack of smartness or proud soldierly bearing. Men not in formation tended to crowd around the inspection with stupid curiosity which reflected their ignorance and lack of proper discipline. Police and cleanliness, both personal and of their surroundings, was very poor.

Training schedules are either non-existant or very hit-and-miss. The reasons given are that the men cannot exert themselves on account of the smallness of the ration and the desire to conserve the already shabby uniforms and equipment. This idleness contributes to the men's listlessness and lack of smartness. Nevertheless, the troops did show the elements of good basic training and familiarity with their functions and duties.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TRIP 9 DECEMBER 1943

1.) CAGLIERI

Visit to the 218th Field Hospital, packed ready for shipment to Sicily with "SABAUDA DIV."

C.O. - Capt. BIANCHINI

Strength: 4 Medical-Surgical Officers
1 Administrator
1 Pharmacist
1 Chaplin
Total 7 Officers
3 non-coms
56 men

Tentage: 4 ward tents, 9x11 meters, and 1 surgical tent.
Ordinary Capacity: 12 beds per tent

The men's appearance was poor, owing to deterioration of uniforms and personal equipment. Armed but arms rusty.

The hospital equipment seemed adequate and was well-packed—Tents, bandages, medicines, boxes of food for patients, linen, mattresses, splints, surgical instruments, folding cots and stools, etc.

C.O. stated that some of his E.M.'s were laboratory technicians. This work done by officers.

2.) Inspection visit to the "BATTAGLIONE ARDITI"

Battalion C.O. - Lt. Col. BOSCHETTI
C.O. 1st Company - Capt. CHIZZI
C.O. 2nd Company - Capt. OCCHETTI
C.O. 3rd Company - Capt. CAPOZZA

Strength of Bn: 25 officers
300 men

These troops correspond to our "Rangers". Each man is armed with 1 pistol, 1 dagger, 1 machine carbine, 200 rds. of ammunition, 8 hand-grenades, and a knapsack loaded with various types of explosives, fuses, and detonator caps.

The 1st company was trained and equipped to land from submarines with rubber boats on enemy shores, (compagnia da sbarco).

The 2nd company was trained to adopt disguises and infiltrate thru enemy lines to perform sabotage (compagnia di sobotatori).

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The 3rd company was trained to penetrate enemy lines with light armored cars and harass the enemy's rear areas,- (compagnia di autocarrettisti).



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"BATTAGLIONE ARDITI" (Cont.)

The men were specially selected for physical prowess and alertness. They presented a very creditable appearance. Their small arms were in much better shape than those of units previously visited, although there were some carbines here and there that were not up to par. Shoes and clothing were also in better condition. Ordinarily, these men are on a special ration since their training calls for greater exertions. This has now been reduced from 700 grams of bread per day to 250 grams per day.

3.) VARIOUS ARTILLERY UNITS

While inspecting the "Arditi", three batteries of motorized artillery passed by on the road, i.e. 1 battery of 75/27, 1 battery of 105/28, and 1 battery of 149/13. These units were not inspected. From all that appeared, however, the guns were in good shape. The prime movers were of various makes, sizes, and vintages.

Col. ROSSOMANDO, commander of the XIII Corp Artillery gave his assurance that this equipment, both guns and vehicles, were in excellent shape, but that there was a shortage of replacement parts for the vehicles.

4.) Inspection of 2nd Company, 18th Bn., 32nd Armored Regt.

C.O. - Capt. MALIA

Strength: 5 officers
13 non-coms
80 men

The company was organized as 4 platoon of 3 tanks each. There were 13 tanks in the company, one being for the C.O., and 4 heavy trucks for transport of fuel and supplies. One of these was equipped with a hoist. In addition there were a light "trouble truck" and a three-wheeled motorcycle cart. The tanks were of the "M" type.

The crew of each tank was made up of three men:
The tank commander - who also manned the gun
The driver
The radioman

Both officers and men presented a clean snappy appearance and, on examination, answered the questions promptly and clearly. Their clothing was in good shape. The tanks showed little sign of wear and appeared to be in good serviceable condition.

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5.) Inspection of the 1st Battery of the 361st Bn. 11/9.2 How

Bn. Commander - Lt. Col. MARCANTE
Bty. Commander - Capt. GIRARDI

Strength: 4 officers
4 non-coms
86 men

These howitzers were drawn by large trucks, which had large wheels, and whose bodies were arranged to carry the accessories of the pieces and also the cannoneers.

In a demonstration of "preparing for Action" and a dry run on a gunnery problem, the battery took about 25 minutes to prepare for action. From the time the battery moved into the field. This is very slow.

Observation of the officer and men during the transmission of firing data indicated that they understood their duties and were familiar with the technique of serving the pieces. Most of the men had served with their unit at least three years.

The battery was fully equipped with its optical and fire control instruments. (Range-finders are not battery equipment)

On the command of "March Order", the battery took about 8 minutes to limber the pieces. The vehicle drivers seemed to be able to handle the trucks all right.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TRIP TO DECEMBER 1943

SAN GAVINO : Inspection of the "FOLGORE DIV" (parachutist)

1.) Inspection of a Parachutist Infantry Company of the 16th BN.

C.O. Company - Lt. FIORENTINI

Strength - organic: 121 officers and men
actual : 6 officers and 101 E.M.

The company normally has 1 Hq. platoon, 3 platoons of paratroopers, and one platoon of motars. The company inspected was reinforced by an additional platoon of motars, each of which had 3 pieces, 81 mm. The individuals were armed similarly to the Arditi except for the explosives.

The men were the same selected type as the "Arditi", chosen for their physical qualifications from among athletes, and had the same snappiness and precision in their military bearing. Their clothing was rapidly deteriorating.

The group put on a demonstration of an attack using live ammunition in all weapons, including a platoon of 47/32 AT guns. The dispatch and method of deployment of the men indicated good preparation and familiarity with duties.

2.) Inspection of a Parachutist Demolitions Company from the Demolitions Battalion.

C.O. Company - Lt. OLIVA

Strength: 6 officers
6 non-coms
81 men
actual 76 men

This company is composed of 1 headquarters platoon, and three "guastatori" platoons. The "guastatori" platoon is organized into 2 squads of "guastatori" and one squad of supporting riflemen.

This group after a brief inspection, put on a demonstration of an attack against concrete pill-boxes and against actual tanks. Their technique was to advance the position with smoke; then, approach it with flame-throwers and hand grenades and finally destroying it with prepared explosive charges. This show and the one against the tanks revealed practice in the technique - at least these "canned" situations.

3.) Review of the whole Division, consisting of Hq., 183rd Inf. Regt, 185th Inf Regt., 10th Light Artillary Regt, a "Guastatori" Bn., an 81 mm. mortar Co., and a Motorcycle Co. --Double time and in perfect step. Major Gallippi, "Morire in bellezza"

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TOUR OF 14 DECEMBER 1943.

1. At SANSEPOLCRO

Inspected were representative elements of the ARMORED GROUPMENT (XIII Corps), commanded by GEN. BRIG. SCALABRINO. The units inspected came from the 32nd ARMORED REGIMENT, commanded by COL. GUARNERO. This regiment is organized in seven battalions of the following: "M" tanks, "SOMUA" tanks, "L" tanks, Self-Propelled Tank-Destroyers, Motorcycle-Machine-Guns, and Light Mobile Machine Guns. (See diagram attached for composition, organization and armament.)

On the parade ground, neatly arranged in a line of companies, were representative units from each type of battalion. The officers and men were standing by their vehicles.

A. 8th Motorcycle-Machine-Gun Company

C.O. LT. ARDU

Strength: 4 officers
5 non-coms
21 men
17 motorcycles, of which 10 were of the tricycle type with MOTOM Mod. 37 MG, 8mm.

The motorcycle drivers seemed to know their machines fairly well, but did not know much about making repairs. The drivers' tool kits were all depleted and contained an occasional rusty jack or wrench. None had any grease-guns or oil cans. The motorcycle drivers were ignorant or hazy of the interval of time or distance after which the lubricants should be checked, changed, or added. The machines were in a satisfactory state of police. They were all serviceable. Tires are becoming worn and there are no replacements. Lack of spare parts is making maintenance difficult also. This problem is further complicated by the variety of machines in use in any given organization. This one had four different makes, namely, GILERA, BENELLI, GUZZI, and BIANCHI among which parts are not interchangeable.

The tricycles had a small cart which carried the machine-gun on a tripod, and 11 cases of ammunition. The machine-gunner seemed to know his weapon, but was ignorant of other types, calibres, and makes of machine-guns used in the Italian Army. The small arms were generally in only fair condition of cleanliness, an occasional one was fouled with rust, grime, dust or sand.

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B. 3rd "L" Tank Company

C.O. LT. BENIGNI

Strength: 5 officers
82 men (organic 124 men)
6 Hospital



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The tanks in this company were the "L 3/35" type whose crew of 2 men consisted of the driver and the gunner, and whose total armament consisted of two coaxially mounted 8 mm. Machine-guns. The C.O. explained that tactically these vehicles were too light to be used as tanks but could be used for reconnaissance or for exploiting a break-through behind the attacking infantry. They were in serviceable condition, although here too, the drivers were vague about lubrication and routine preventive maintenance. Inspection of some of the nipples and bearings revealed that they had not been greased for some time and were dry.

C. 3rd Tank Destroyer Battery (Self-Propelled) 75/18, 6th "M" Tank Bn.

C.O. CAPT. LAUDINI

Crew: (1 tank-comdr.
(1 radio man
(1 driver
(1 gunner

These were vehicles which resembled the "M" tanks, except that it had an open turret and carried a 75/18 gun. The C. O. explained that this battery could be used for tank-destroying and being equipped with fire-control instruments, it could also be used as normal field artillery. These batteries even had range-finders. (Field artillery batteries do not.) There are two TD batteries in this tank Bn. (see diagram)

D. 4th "M" Tank Co.

C.O. CAPT. SETA

This company is identical with the "M" Tank Co. inspected on 9 December 1943 at Cagliari. The C. O. described these as "M 15/42"tanks.

E. 2nd Tank-Destroyer Battery (S.P.) 75/18, 51st T.D. Bn.

C.O. CAPT. ASTURINO

This is identical with the battery describe in C above. It is part of a Tank-Destroyer Battalion instead of a Tank Bn.

F. Light Mobile Machine Shop

C.O. LT. FERRARA

Strength: 4 officers
6 non-coms
30 men

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This unit consists of 3 trucks; 1 for the work bench and machinery, one for the accessories such as the electric generator, tool cabinets, hoist, etc., and one for spare parts, tentage etc.

The men are organized into these groups:

1 headquarters section
1 repair platoon
1 salvage platoon

The men in the repair platoon are all expert machinists and mechanics. The unit includes an electrically driven lathe and drills, and the usual hand-tools. There are very few spare parts.

2. General Comments and Observations

A. Other Vehicles

All units had a complement of heavy trucks. These were in serviceable condition. Spot-checks revealed that crank-case lubricants were at proper levels and that some drivers had notions of preventive maintenance, although there is a feeling that they were guessing.

The trucks of the "L" tank company had ramps to permit loading the tank into the truck, and a steel frame trailer for the transport of a second tank.

B. Clothing

Members of these Armored Units have one summer and one winter uniform, but only one pair of shoes; the ones they were wearing. These are practically worn out. Only the officers and non-commissioned tank-commanders wear the leather jacket and leggins - the rest wear the regulation wool uniform. Few men had underwear. Members of the machine shop had coveralls.

C. Food

These men eat once per day at 11:30 A.M. A typical mess is: Pasta (70 gr.), bread (250 gr.), some cauliflower, coffee and sugar. The C.O. reported that they were beginning to receive white flour from American sources.

D. Morale

Morale seemed to be higher here than in the ordinary infantry units - probably due to pride and "espirt de corps" in armored outfits; but the spirit was not as high as that observed in the Nembo or Ariete Units.

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E. Discipline

Men were smart and military in the formation, and answered questions well. Yet men in front ranks turned around

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with curiosity when rear ranks were being inspected. After the inspection, the discipline collapsed. In a downpouring rain, several individual units broke formation and just raced off the field in order to return to their barracks in spite of platoon and company commanders' efforts to call them back.

F. Supplies

All classes of supplies are low, except ammunition which is reported to be abundant. Stress was laid upon the lack of lubricants, tires, and tire-and-tube repair equipment as well as spare parts. In one battalion alone there was a shortage of some 72 tires.

G. Tactics

The commanders and officers stressed that these armored units cannot attack and hold ground on their own. They should rather be used with a division or other infantry unit to perform reconnaissance or to exploit break-throughs.

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Notes on Conference with Col. LEDDA, G/S XIII, on 19 Dec. 43, reference 1630 mules:

(a)	Shipped early Dec.	600
(b)	Process of shipment	616
(c)	Earmarked for "LEGHORN" DIV.	182
		1398
(d)	Available with 6 REPARTO SALMERIA	382
(e)	With organized Ital. Arty. Units	250
(f)	" " " " "	180
(g)	Miscellaneous throughout island	100
		912

(h) Total remaining mules on island from all possible sources - 1000 mules

Ital. command strongly urges against the disruption of highly trained mountain artillery groups in (e) and (f) above, but that the units be used intact.

They do not profess to know where Col. Pickering or Col. Harding got the figure of 3500 mules available in SARDINIA.

Recapitulation:

Already shipped or enmarked	1398
Requested in this order	1630
Total	3028

Assuming Col. Pickering's estimate to be correct, then

3500
— 3028
472 - the balance to remain unrequisitioned. This figure is roughly the number of mules in the two Italian Artillery Units which the Italian Command contend should be kept intact.

Col LEDDA furthur stated that should any of the above mules be requisitioned, the accessories - halters, covers, etc. - are not in such good condition as those sent with the units already gone.

There is no question about the pack saddles. Orders have been issued to get them ready.

There are no mules, riding, - but horses, riding, can be substituted therefor.

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1.) Locate and report amounts and locations of following types of ammunition:

	WITH UNITS	SURPLUS IN DEPOTS OR IN CUSTODY OF UNITS
Rifle, Mod. 91, 6.5 mm. / Musket, Mod. 91, 6.5 mm. / Breda, 30 LMG, 6.5 mm.	19,831,392	23,160,359
Beretta Pistol, 9 mm.	5,408,100	—
Revolver, Mod. 85, 9 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.	70,740	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) / 54,494 (HE)	78,203 (AP) / 54,494 (HE) / 16,000 (AP)* / 8,000 (HE)*
100/22 How.	14,144	78,170
105/32 How.	3,108	12,605

* Earmarked for disposition by A.F.H.Q.



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RADIO TRANSMITTERS
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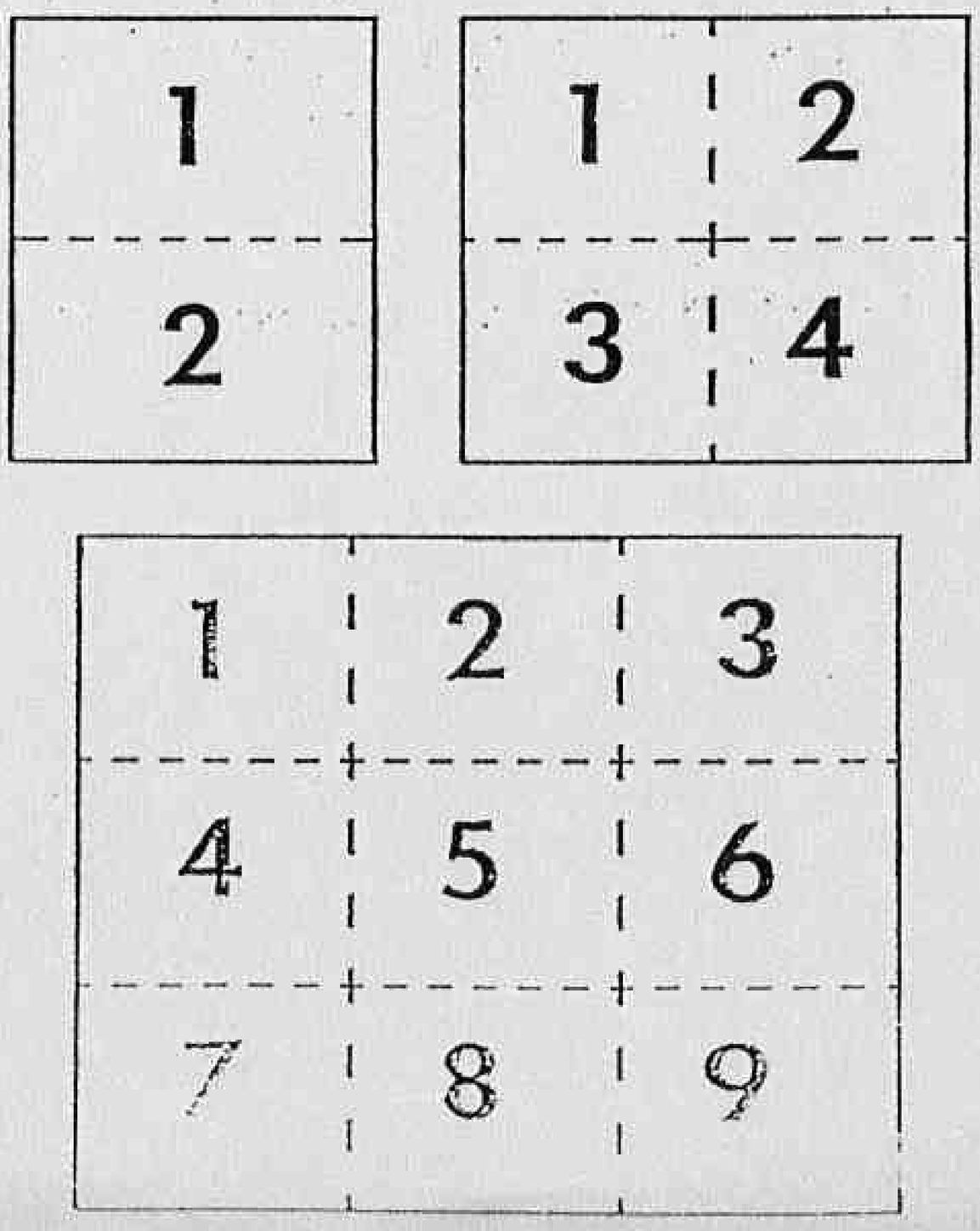
TYPE	QUANTITY
RF-2	435
RF-1	172
RA-1	17
RF3C	88
RA-2	9
RF-4	17
R2-3	167
R4A	167
RFC-15	18
R-4	22
RK-5	5
RFC	3
RF3A	8
RF-1P	63
RF-1CA	7
A-350-1	2
RF2CA	6
R-3	14
R-2	22
RF-30	2
PM-112	3
T.P.A. 50	1
RFG-15	1
IRRADIO	4
STATION ALLOCHI BACCHINI	2
STATION MARCONI	1
STATION R-5/36	3
STATION MF72/74	1
STATION SAFAR	3
TRANS TEDISCO GERMAN MAKE	1
PORTABLE TELEGRAPH SET	2
	1133 TOTAL

ALSO
APPROX. 150 BATTERIES

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

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ARMI ESISTENTI IN SARDEGNA

Denominazione	Per armamento reparti	Esuberanti nei magazzini
Pistole automatiche mod. 34 cal. 9	18.927	400
Pistole automatiche mod. vario	305	338
Pistole a rotazione mod. vario	4.826	231
Fucili mod. 91 cal. 6,5	72.157	4.252
Moschetti mod. 38 cal. 6,5	22.499	1.015
Fucili mod. 38 cal. 6,5	28.505	3.048
Fucili mod. 41 cal. 6,5	13.924	2.307
Moschetti mod. 91 cal. 6,5	27.086	208
Moschetti mod. 91 cal. 6,5 T.S.	10.795	247
Fucili mod. 91/24 cal. 6,5	8.213	558
Fucili mod. 38 cal. 7,35	1	1.632
Moschetti mod. 38 cal. 7,35	654	865
Moschetti mod. 41 cal. 6,5	445	-
Fuciloni polacchi cal. 7,92	14	-
Moschetti automatici Beretta mod.38/A ( )	4.141	-
Fucili mitragliatori Breda mod. 30 ( )	3.597	266
Fucili mitragliatori Hochtiss ( )	-	15
Fucili mitragliatori C.S.R.G. cal. 7,92 ( )	-	20
Mitragliatrici Fiat 35 per carri "L."	80	-
Mitragliatrici Fiat 35	451	3
Mitragliatrici Breda 37	2.918	80
Mitragliatrici Breda 38 per Carro Armato	224	-
Mitragliatrici Breda 37 p.i.	1	-
Mitragliatrici S.Etienne	265	3
Mitragliatrici cal. 7,35 per carri "Somua"	32	-
Mitragliatrici cal. 13,2 per carri armati "L.35"	6	-
Mitragliatrici S.A.F.A.T. cal. 12,6	-	40
Mitragliatrici Schwarzlose	2	-
Mortai da 45	478	38
Mortai da 81	251	14
Cannoni mitraglieri da 20 (Solothurn)	25	74
Mitragliere da 20 mod. 39	2	-
Cannoni da 20 Oerlikon campale	24	-
Cannoni da 20 Oerlikon da posizione	16	-
Cannoni Hochtiss cal. 25	1	-
Cannoni da 47/32 mod. 35/39	191	39
Masse oscillanti da 47/35 per carri "Somua"	32	-
Cannoni da 47/32 per carri armati	12	-
Masse oscillanti da 47/40 per carri armati L.5/42	40	-
Cannoni da 47/50	-	76
Cannoni da 65/17	28	-
Cannoni da 65/13	28	-
Obici da 65/13	32	4
Obici da 75/13 p.p.	—	20

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i n a z i o n e	Per armamento reparti	Esuberanti nei magazzini	N o t e
od. 34 cal. 9	18.927 ?	400	
od. vario	305	338	
od. vario	4.826	231	
,5	72.157	4.252	
. 6,5	22.499	1.015	
,5	28.505	3.048	
,5	13.924	2.307	
. 6,5	27.086	208	
. 6,5 T.S.	10.795	247	
. 6,5	8.213	558	
,35	1	1.632	
. 7,35	654	865	
. 6,5	445	-	
. 7,92	14	-	
Beretta mod.38/A ( )	4.141	-	
Breda mod. 30 ( )	3.597	266	
Hochtiss ( )	-	15	
C.S.R.G. cal. 7,92 ( )	-	20	
5 per carri "L."	80	-	
5	451	3	
37	2.918	80	
38 per Carro Armato	224	-	
37 p.i.	1	-	
rme	265	3	
7,35 per carri "Somua"	32	-	
3,2 per carri armati "L.35"	6	-	
A.T. cal. 12,6	-	40	
rzlose	2	-	
	478	39	
	251	14	
da 20 (Solothurn)	25	74	
d. 39	2	-	
on campale	24	-	
on da posizione	16	-	
. 25	1	-	
. 35/39	191	39	
47/35 per carri "Somua"	32	-	
carri armati	12	-	
7/40 per carri armati L.5/42	40	-	
	-	76	
	28	-	
	28	-	
	32	4	
	—	20	

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Mitragliatrici cal. 13,2 per carri armati "L.35"	6	-
Mitragliatrici S.A.F.A.T. cal. 12,6	-	40
Mitragliatrici Schwarzlose	2	-
Mortai da 45	478	38
Mortai da 81	251	14
Cannoni mitraglieri da 20 (Solothurn)	25	74
Mitragliere da 20 mod. 39	2	-
Cannoni da 20 Oerlikon campale	24	-
Cannoni da 20 Oerlikon da posizione	16	-
Cannoni Hochtise cal. 25	1	-
Cannoni da 47/32 mod. 35/39	191	39
Masse oscillanti da 47/35 per carri "Somua"	32	-
Cannoni da 47/32 per carri armati	12	-
Masse oscillanti da 47/40 per carri armati L.5/42	40	-
Cannoni da 47/50	-	76
Cannoni da 65/17	28	-
Cannoni da 65/13	28	-
Obici da 75/13	32	4
Obici da 75/13 p.b.	---	20
Masse oscillanti da 75/18 Semov.	69	-
cannoni da 65/27 mod. 06	152	15
Cannoni da 65/27 mod. 11 A.S.	66	4
Cannoni da 75/mod. 40	9	-
Cannoni da 75/34 mod. 97/38	24	19
Cannoni da 75/18 mod. 34	-	36
Cannoni da 75/ F.K	-	37
Cannoni da 75/15 (76,2)	8	-
Obici da 100/17 A.S.	52	2
Obici da 100/17 T.M.	2	-
Obici da 100/22	52	-
Obici da 105/14	16	-
Cannoni da 105/27	4	-
Cannoni da 105/28	28	4
Obici da 149/12	4	-
Cannoni da 105/32	14	-
Obici da 149/12 modif. 14	48	-
Obici da 149/12 mod. 18	20	-
Obici da 149/13	25	2
Obici da 149/19	30	-
Cannoni da 149/35	20	2
Cannoni da 152/45	8	-
Cannoni da 152/37	12	-
Cannoni da 155/19	12	-
cannoni da 155/25	2	-
Cannoni da 155/36	4	-

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cal. 13,2 per carri armati "L.35"	6	–
B.A.F.A.T. cal. 12,6	–	40
Schwarzlose	2	–
	478	39
	251	14
ieri da 20 (Solothurn)	25	74
20 mod. 39	2	–
erlikon campale	24	–
erlikon da posizione	16	–
e cal. 25	1	–
2 mod. 35/39	191	39
i da 47/35 per carri "Somua"	32	–
2 per carri armati	12	–
i da 47/40 per carri armati L.5/42	40	–
0	–	76
7	28	–
3	28	–
	32	4
p.b.	—	20
i da 75/18 Semov.	69	–
7 mod. 06	152	15
7 mod. 11 A.S.	66	4
od. 40	9	–
4 mod. 97/38	24	19
8 mod. 34	–	36
F.K	–	37
5 (76,2)	8	–
A.S.	52	2
T.M.	2	–
	52	–
	16	–
/27	4	–
/28	28	4
2	4	–
/32	14	–
2 modif. 14	48	–
2 mod. 18	20	–
3	25	2
	50	–
35	20	2
45	8	–
37	12	–
1	12	–
25	2	–
36	4	–

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Obici da 149/19	10	-
Cannoni da 149/35	20	2
Cannoni da 152/45	8	-
Cannoni da 152/37	12	-
Cannoni da 155/15	12	-
cannoni da 155/25	2	-
Cannoni da 155/36	4	-

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	20	2
	8	–
	12	–
	12	–
	2	–
	4	–

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MUNIZIONI ESISTENTI IN SARDEGNA

T i p o	Dotazione alle Reparto	Esuberanza nei magazzini	Defi
Cartucce per pistola cal. 10,35	1.447.800	-	
Cartucce per pistola mod. vari	91.500	70.995	
Cartucce pistola mod. 38 cal.9	5.408.100	-	4.
Cartucce per armi cal. 6,5	19.831.392	23.160.359	
Cartucce per fucile cal. 7,35	70.740	2.151.078	
Cartucce per fuc. mitra cal. 7,35	-	2.719.940	
Cartucce per moschetto automatico	12.423.000	-	8.
Cartucce per mitra Breda 37	17.508.000	-	4.
Cartucce per mitra Fiat 35	2.706.000	3.838.797	
Cartucce per mitra St.Etienne	1.590.000	2.008.052	
Cartucce per mitra Sia.A.	1.164.000	230.400	
Cartucce per mitra cal. 7,5 "Somua"	192.000	382.175	
Cartucce per mitra cal.13,2	56.000	-	
Bombe a mano	1.000.000	276.567	
Bombe mortai da 45	124.280	670.127	
Bombe mortai da 81	51.204	289.508	
Colpi per fuc.mi Solothur da 20	12.500	23.500	
Colpi da 47/32	146.160	141.233	
Colpi da 47 ("Somua")	23.040	758	
Colpi da 47/40	28.800	-	
Colpi da 47/50	-	12.670	
Colpi da 65/17	8.400	113.275	
Colpi da 75/13	8.160	113.132	
Colpi da 75/17	-	9.750	
Colpi da 75/18 Semov.	19.379	-	
Colpi da 75/27-mod.11	17.952	138.307	
Colpi da 75/27-mod.06	41.344	190.805	
Colpi da 75/27 a pelletta	-	50.880	
Colpi da 75/mod. 40	2.448	7.087	
Colpi da 75/18 mod. 34	-	44.659	
Colpi da 75/34	17.961	-	
Colpi da 76,2	2.176	3.459	
Colpi da 100/17	23.490	173.088	
Colpi da 100/22	14.144	78.170	
Colpi da 105/14	3.552	17.104	
Colpi da 105/27	888	4.603	
Colpi da 105/Cáohi	-	1.982	
Colpi da 105/28	6.216	38.446	
Colpi da 105/32	3.108	12.605	
Colpi da 149/12 modif. 14	7.696	3.072	
Colpi da 149/12	2.960	13.918	
Colpi da 149/13	3.700	23.706	
Colpi da 149/19	5.328	7.713	
Colpi da 149/35	1.400	11.320	
Colpi da 152/37	600	-	
Colpi da 152/45	400	6.459	

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IZIONI ESISTENTI IN SARDEGNA

T i p o	Dotazione alzi o Reparto	Esuberanza nei magazzini	Deficienze presso i Reparti
er pistola cal. 10,35	1.447.800	-	989.925
er pistola mod. vari	91.500	70.995	-
istola mod. 35 cal.9	5.408.100	-	4.015.039
er armi cal. 6,5	19.831.392	23.160.359	-
er fucile cal. 7,35	70.740	2.151.078	-
er fuc. mitra cal. 7,35	-	2.719.940	-
er moschetto automatico	12.423.000	-	8.748.653
er mitra Breda 37	17.508.000	-	4.296.954
er mitra Fiat 35	2.706.000	3.838.797	-
er mitra S.Etienne	1.590.000	2.008.052	-
er mitra Sil.A.	1.164.000	230.400	-
er mitra cal. 7,5 "Somua"	192.000	382.175	-
er mitra cal.13,2	36.000	-	33.050
no	1.000.000	276.567	-
i da 45	124.200	670.127	-
i da 81	51.204	289.508	-
uo.mi Solothur da 20	12.500	23.500	-
/32	146.150	141.233	-
("Somua")	23.040	758	-
/40	28.800	-	5.769
/50	-	12.670	-
/17	8.400	113.275	-
/13	8.160	113.132	-
/17	-	9.750	-
/18 Semov.	19.379	-	-
/27-mod.11	17.952	138.307	-
/27-mod.06	41.344	190.805	-
/27 a palette	-	50.880	-
/mod. 40	2.448	7.087	-
/18 mod. 34	-	44.659	-
34	17.964	-	-
2	2.176	3.459	-
/17	23.490	173.088	-
/22	14.144	78.170	-
/14	3.552	17.104	-
/27	888	4.603	-
/Cecchi	-	1.982	-
/28	6.216	38.446	-
/32	3.108	12.605	-
/12 modif. 14	7.696	3.072	-
/12	2.960	13.918	-
/13	3.700	23.706	-
/19	5.328	7.713	-
/35	1.400	11.320	-
/37	600	-	600
/45	400	6.459	-

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Colpi da 75/mod. 40	2.448	7.067
Colpi da 75/18 mod. 34	-	44.699
Colpi da 75/34	17.961	-
Colpi da 76,2	2.176	3.459
Colpi da 000/17	23.490	173.088
Colpi da 100/22	14.144	78.170
Colpi da 105/14	3.552	17.104
Colpi da 105/27	888	4.603
Colpi da 105/Cechi	-	1.982
Colpi da 105/28	6.216	38.446
Colpi da 105/32	3.108	12.605
Colpi da 149/12 modif. 14	7.696	3.072
Colpi da 149/12	2.960	13.918
Colpi da 149/13	3.700	23.706
Colpi da 149/19	5.328	7.713
Colpi da 149/35	1.400	11.320
Colpi da 152/37	600	-
Colpi da 152/45	400	6.459
Colpi da 155/14	600	-
Colpi da 155/25	100	-
Colpi da 155/36	200	3.645

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. 40	2.440	7.087	-
uod. 34	-	44.559	-
	17.961	-	-
	2.176	3.459	-
	23.490	173.088	-
	14.144	78.170	-
	3.552	17.104	-
	888	4.603	-
phi	-	1.982	-
	6.216	38.446	-
	3.108	12.605	-
modif. 14	7.696	3.072	-
	2.960	13.918	-
	3.700	23.706	-
	5.328	7.713	-
	1.400	11.320	-
	600	-	600
	400	6.459	-
	600	-	600
	100	-	100
	200	3.645	-

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	Cognome e Nome	N° della Tessera	Quantitativo di uva ritirato
29	Ennas Garau Doloretta	51175	Kg. 2
30	Cossu Giacinta	68412 ct^a della ricevuta	"
31	Mussin Giulia in Lai	68403 "	"
32	Simbula Francesca in Lai	68402 "	"
33	Oliva Can Teresina	68409 "	"
34	Garau Concetta	68401 "	"
35	Simbula Doloretta in Garau	68411 "	"
36	Garau Mariangela	68410 "	"
37	Serra Can Maria	68446 "	"
38	Demontis Simbula Adelaide	68406 "	"
39	Cabras Ortzori Vinita	68407 "	"
40	Desogus Consolata	68414 "	"

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34	Garau Concetta	68401	"		"
35	Simbula Doloretta in Garau	68411	"		"
36	Garau Mariangela	68410	"		"
37	Serra San Maria	68446	"		"
38	Demontis Simbula Adelaide	68406	"		"
39	Cabras Ortzori Trinita	68407	"		"
40	Desogus Consolata	68414	"		"

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Fascio Terminale di Sini - Sezione M. R.

Elenco delle Massaie Rurali che hanno usufruito della distribuzione della crusca

	Cognome e Nome	N.° della tessera	Quantitativo di crusca ritirato
1	Figus Ibba Elena	51177	kg 2
2	Can Luigina fu Pietrino	484163	"
3	Can Can Melania	51173	"
4	Simbula Mariangela	1192144	"
5	Can Luigia fu Nicolo	1192142	"
6	Atzei Bartolomea in Serra	1192247	"
7	Can Aurelia in Simbula	51187	"
8	Atzori Luigina	1192139	"
9	Can Anna Maria in Simbula	51189	"
10	Atzori Cabras Filomena	484160	"
11	Simbula Porceddu Teresa	51190	"
12	Figus Can Bellica	51176	"
13	Musiu Anna	51185	"
14	Atzori Mannias Celestina	1192138	"
15	Porcu Can Onorina	484165	"
16	Atzori Farris Guglielmina	484164	"
17	Simbula Piras Liduina	51188	"
18	Can Can Maria	51174	"
19	Atzori Can Clemenzia	484159	"
20	Can Can Nunziata	1192143	"
21	Ibba Musiu Veronica	1193645	"
22	Figus Rita	51180	"

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	Cau Luigina fu Pietrino	484163	"
3	Cau Cau Melania	51173	"
4	Simbula Mariangela	1192144	"
5	Cau Luigia fu Nicolo	1192142	"
6	Atzei Bartolomea in Serra	1192247	"
7	Cau Aurelia in Simbula	51157	"
8	Atzori Luigina	1192139	"
9	Cau Anna Maria in Simbula	51189	"
10	Atzori Cabras Filomena	484160	"
11	Simbula Porceddu Teresa	51190	"
12	Figus Cau Beltica	51176	"
13	Musiu Anna	51185	"
14	Atzori Mannias Celestina	1192138	"
15	Porcu Cau Onorina	484165	"
16	Atzori Farris Guglielmina	484164	"
17	Simbula Piras Liduina	51188	"
18	Cau Cau Maria	51174	"
19	Atzori Cau Generzia	484159	"
20	Cau Cau Nunziata	1192143	"
21	Ibba Musiu Veronica	1193645	"
22	Figus Rita	51180	"
23	Marrocu Zedda Mariannica	51183	"
24	Urracci Atzori Edvina	1885358	"
25	Secca Cicita	1192249	"
26	Massa Filomena	484161	"
27	Serra Garau Basilia	51156	" kg. 1,500
28	Atzori ~~Cicita~~ Francesca	484162	kg 2

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ALLA SEGRETARIA DEL FASCIO FEMMINILE

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richieste varie
Invio buono crusca

In risposta alle tue n° 42 a,b,c, ti comunico: 1) in parziale accoglimento della tua richiesta per un ammento del quantitativo di crusca a te assegnato ti accludo per questo mese un buono per quintali due ; 2) la crusca è riservata esclusivamente alle massaie rurali ; 3) si darà corso alle spedizioni de giornali alle MM.RR. nuove inscritte non appena giungeranno le richieste all' ufficio tesseramento; 4)per le patate da semina rivolgiti direttamente ab Consorzio Agrario.

Vincere!

LA FIDUCIARIA PROVINCIALE DEI FF.PP.

(Fernanda Tola Sulis)

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"V I G E R E !"

MM.RR.

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Provvedi con la massima sollecitudine per il ritiro del quantitativo di crusca in parola dal Consorzio e per la sollecita distribuzione fra le Massaie.

Qualora non fossi disposta a ritirarlo inviami indietro il buono affinchè provveda ad assegnarlo ad altro Fascio.
Mi dovrai inoltre trasmettere un elenco delle Massaie che usufruirannì delle distribuzione, il loro numero di tessera, ed il quantitativo di crusca a ciascuna assegnato.

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PARTITO NAZIONALE FASCISTA

FEDERAZIONE PROVINCIALE DEI FASCI FEMMINILI

CAGLIARI

"Vivere non è necessario
ma è necessario navigare,,

FASCIO FEMMINILE DI Sinnai 11/119 li 18-2-1942 XX

N. di protocollo 46

Risposta al foglio N. 2332

del

dell'Ufficio

OGGETTO Elenco M. Bo.
richiedenti crusca.

Alla Federazione Provinciale
dei FF. FF.
Cagliari

Vi trasmetto l'elenco delle M. Bo. di Sinnai che richiedono crusca

La segretaria
Bonaria Atzeri

FEDERAZIONE Prov. DEI FASCI FEMMINILI
CAGLIARI
N. 2263 Prot.
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Location and total stock of:

Faucelons 20 mm. AT cartridges

Ammo. 9 mm pistol

complete rounds 100/22 mm Howr.

Complete rounds 75/18 mm. Howr.

47/32 mm gun AT, both AP + HE

Field wire:

Telegraph sets

Radio sets RF2

Replacement Radio Batteries

27500

Shortage of following

Weapons and ammunition:

all machine guns

81 mm. mortar

20 mm. Anti-Aircraft
not included.

47/32 A.T.

100/22 Howr.

75/13 or 75/18 guns

105/32 guns

(75/34) 74/34 (cover) AT guns

Ammunition only:

8 mm.

9 mm.

7.35 mm

6.5 mm (none)

Signal Equipment + Spare Parts

Individual Equipment + clothing

Complete

all Stat

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(75/34) 74/34 (emm) AT guns

Ammunition only:

8 mm.
9 mm.
7.35 mm.
6.5 mm (arms)

Signal Equipment + Spare Parts

Individual Equipment + clothing

Complete Inventory

all Italian material

and

boats and camark ~~Fa~~ C. following:

24 cm. 47/32 AT guns + ammo

weapons Categories

Mortars

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Armata (Comando Unif. Sardegna)

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(Gr. Palermo)

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Uff. Ordinamento +
Uff. Affari civili
Uff. Informazioni
Uff. Personale +
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Div. Friuli
Div. Art.
Div. Genio
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1) Locate and report amounts and locations of following types of ammunition: UNITS DEPOTS

- Rifle, Mod. 90?(91?) 6.5 mm.
- Beretta Pistol, 9 mm.
- Revolver, Mod. 05, 9 mm.
- Musket, Mod. 91, 6.5 mm.
- Breda 30 LMG, 6.5 mm.
- Rifle, Mod. 38, 7.35 mm.
- Beretta Machine Carbines 38, 9 mm.
- Breda 20 mm. AA/AT gun
- Breda 37 Medium MG, 8 mm.
- Fiat 35 Medium MG, 8 mm.
- 47/32 light gun
- 100/22 How.
- 105/32 How.

2) Locate and report on following items in excess of bare minimum required for existing Italian organizations:

Medical Supplies and Equipment
Transport, including spare parts and unit assemblies
Engineer Supplies
Signal Equipment, including Radio & Telephone Equipment and Spare Parts and Batteries

Note: The location of Depots for Arms + Ammunition are located as follows (from N.A.I.)

PALAU
TELTI
CAMPO MEIA
PRATO SARDO
MACOMER
GESICO
SILIQUA
MONSERRATO

} from maps furnished with inventory by Col Harding etc.

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M. GRANERO MM. ALPINI C.O. LT. CO. PALMONE

RATIONS

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Pasta	60 gr.	none
Olive oil	13 gr.	13 gr.
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Tomato paste	12 gr.	none
Cheese	50 gr., or 150 gr. on meat-less days	
Wine, for 3 days	½ liter	none
Vegetables	none	none
Cigarettes	5	none

There is a mess fund of 3 lire per day per man for local purchase of items such as cognac, fresh vegetables, etc. but none are available except some cabbage occasionally. The nearest vegetable market is at ORISTANO.

The C.O. proposed the following rations.

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He has put in a request for an increased allowance, and showed the file. The request was refused by the Commando Militare Sardegna in spite of the fact that this unit was being built up to strength in men and materials and expected to drill for probable ultimate use in combat.

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MOTES ON INSPECTION TOUR OF 11 JANUARY 1944

On 11 January 1944 a brief inspection was made of the 2: 47/32 A/TK guns which were ordered to be held for A.F.Hq. These were in storage with the RIPARTIONE ARTIGLIERIA at NUORO, commanded by Lt. Col. ATTISANI. The latter showed the guns and stated that all of them had been checked in his ordinance workshops and were all in serviceable condition. The guns, complete with canvas covers, were all together in a shed. The C.O. recommended that, when the time came, they be moved by truck in order to avoid the excessive handling that would be necessitated by transhipment from the narrow gauge R.R. to the standard gauge that went to Cagliari. He intimated that, very probably one truck could carry as many as six pieces.

The C.O. further stated that the 24,000 rds. of ammunition to go with these guns had been earmarked and was left in storage at the various outlying ammunition dumps.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TOUR OF 12 JANUARY 1944

Inspected were two battalions of ALPINI.

The M. MERCANTUR Battalion ALPINI is commanded by Major CASSI, whose headquarters were at CAVOI. The battalion was composed of the Headquarters Company, and the 701, 702, and 703 rifle companies.

This battalion, like the other five in Sardinia, were never front-line battalions but were recruited as replacements. Their organic strength therefore is 850 officers and men as compared to 1,200. The actual strength of this Bn. was 24 officers and approximately 500 men. This battalion had recently lost some men by transfer to the M. CHIENTO Bn. which was being brought up to strength for further training with the view of probable ultimate use in battle.

The Hq. company normally has a platoon of 81 mm. mortars. The M. MERCANTUR Bn. does not have them because they were compelled to leave theirs in Corsica. The company also has the communications, clerical etc, personnel of the Bn.

The rifle companies are composed of one headquarters platoon, three rifle platoons and 1 machine-gun platoon.

The Bn. staff was composed of five officers as follows: The Bn. Commander, Adjutant, Medical Officer, Chaplin, and Communications Officer. The Medical Officer had under him in Hq. Co., a squad of enlisted assistants (litter-bearers, etc.) and there were in addition, 2 enlisted men in each rifle company to render first aid and act as litter-bearers.

The unit left CORSICA, about 20 October 1943. While there its mission was to defend an airfield together with some German troops. After the Armistice, it received orders to withdraw to the southern part of the island.

Most of the individuals in these battalions come from that part of Italy that includes and lies north of Tuscany.

The troops have only the uniform that they are wearing. Shoes are badly needed, as well as materials for keeping them in repair.

Normally, the men are fed twice per day; but for the past few months, they have been cut down to one meal per day.

The 703rd Co. was assembled,- commanded by Lt. CUCIERO. The elements in the formation totaled 3 officers and 74 men. Rifles were rusty and dirty. Men did not answer questions very militarily or completely. Machine-gunners did not seem to know other similar weapons. The Bn. had only one truck to fetch supplies from HQ's every 10 days.

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NOTES ON INSPECTION TOUR OF 12 JANUARY 1944 (Cont.)

Major CESA, a staff officer of the 75th Alpine Regiment (HQ. at FORNI) was present and offered to show a demonstration of rock-climbing by 10 officer-instructors. They showed how they could use the ropes in climbing and descending a large boulder. Major Cesa asked that this group and others be sent to CAPRI to give courses in rock-climbing to officers and NCO's of the Allied Armies

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Next, was inspected at TORARA, the M. GRANERO BN. ALPINI, commanded by Lt. Col. PALMONE (English-speaking). Upon approaching the town, we were met by an enlisted interpreter and a bugler posted to lead us to the C.O.

The Headquarters Company of the Bn was assembled for inspection. C.O. Captain FABBI. It was made up of the Headquarters Platoon, the 81 mm. Mortar platoon(4 mortars), the signal platoon and the pack train platoon. For signal equipment, the company used walkie-talkie radio, heliograph, and flags. It did not then possess the radios. The mortars had just that day arrived, but were not complete. The C.O. The C.O. asked for a FELDER (German) Aiding Circle for the Mortar platoon. The mortars he said were of an old model.

This unit also left Gordica in October, minus most of its equipment. It had only one truck to fetch supplies from NUORO. The Bn. had an organic strength of 181 mules, and 17 trucks.

The Hq. Co. had a Veterinary Officer. Each company had a medical officer. There were 10 stretcher-bearers in the Bn.

The rations are reduced, and yet it is usually impossible to obtain all the components of the alloted rations.

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The clothing of the men was about the Sardinian average - the shoes in the last stages of usefulness. These are special alpine boots with thick soles and heavy nails.

This particular company was billeted in a de-sanctified church, on crude straw mattresses on the floor or on planks. Each man had 3 blankets. There were no racks for the small arms, and each soldier kept them by his bed. They were in poor condition; everywhere was the same excuse - no lubricants or cleaning and preserving equipment.

The C.O.'s comment on his men's morale was that they must be of good spirit or they would not tolerate their living conditions and rations as cheerfully as they do, but he fears that they will bitterly resent having to submit to any strenuous training without an increase in their ration.

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Headquarters Allied Garrison Commander

13 December 1943

Gen. Div. Angelino Carta

Headquarters Italian XIII Corp

My dear General Carta

May I take this means of expressing to you my personal appreciation of your courtesy in extending to me your hospitality on Saturday evening. The occasion will remain a cherished portion of the memories which will accompany me upon my departure from Sardinia.

Captain Vitali joins me in this expression of gratitude to you and your staff.

Cordially yours



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Notes on Inspection Trip 7 Dec '43

1) NUORO: Inspected the following units of the 22nd Infantry Regt., commanded by COLONEL TOMASINI. (CREMONA DIV.)

1 Infantry Company - C.O. 2nd Lt. CESAROTTI

1 Sappers Company - C.O. CAPT. CAVALINI

1 Demolitions (Guastatori) Platoon - C.O. 2nd Lt. VIDOSSI

Strength: Organic - 244
Actual - 214
Hospital - 6
Sardinian Leave - 1

This group put on demonstration of attack on hill, - 1st the demolitions platoon advanced by squads which had men with explosives and also riflemen to cover them. Then came the Sappers, which had squads of demolitions men, flame-throwers and covering riflemen, and finally the infantry company.

The platoons led by 2nd Lts. [illegible] by Sergeant-Majors, and squads by Corporal-Majors and Corporals.



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Arms rusty and not all kept.

Clothing was not uniform. Men possessed only what they were wearing. Shoes in poor condition. Not all men had underwear or sweaters. Coats had patches.

Ration reported by Regt'l C.O. to be:

800 gr. pasta per day
250 gr. bread " "
150 gr. meat " week.

Men billeted in empty barns, churches & school-houses in the vicinity.

Organization:

The 22° Inf. Regt. is made up of 3 Bns, Inf.

~~and~~ one cannon company, & one sappers company.

The Demolitions platoon is part of the Divisional Serv. Company.

The sad state of equipment and of morale of men was attributed to circumstances of evacuation from CORSICA. (By Regt'l C.O.)

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2. BITTI: Inspected 6" Co., 2nd Bn. of 21st Inf. Regt.
(CREMONA DIV.). REGT'L C.O. – COL. PALENTE
C.O. 2nd Bn. – Lt. Col. SCOTTI
C.O. 6th Company – CAPT. MOSCHETTO
– Lt. MARIETTI

Company inspected on road outside of town.
Shoes in very poor shape – soles gone or worst.
Small arms in very poor shape – of lack of any maintenance of care. Attributed to lack of oils & lubricants.
Uniforms shoddy and piecemeal.

The kitchen inspected: very dirty surrounding and dirty cooks. Breakfast consisted of 1/5 canteen of coffee; sugar running out. Dinner consisted of a soup, meat, and peas. Supper consisted solely of pasta supplemented by edible grasses which the soldiers picked in fields. Small piece of dark soggy bread.

Visit to Orderly Room and Co. Supply Room, – talk with 1st Sgt.

Visit to Billets: men sleeping on straw mattresses, two blankets. Equipment messy and [illegible] around. Courtyard poor state of police.



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③ BUDDUSO: Inspected briefly 10th C., 3rd Bn., 21st Dy.
Regt (CREMONA DIV.) in road.
C.O. 3rd Bn. — MAJ. CAMATORA.
C.O. 10th Company — LT. SAURINI
Strength: Organic 250 men
Actual 212 "
Hospital 2 "
Sardinian Furlough 13 "
Most of this company were in somewhat better shape than other companies. Weapons poorly kept.

4) PATTADA: Hq. CREMONA DIV.
C.G. — GENERAL PRIMIERE
C/S — COL. SPILIMBERGO
Inspected briefly:
(a) Motorcycle Machine-gun Company
3 platoons of 30 cycles each.
13 cycle trucks (& mixing)
2 light trucks.
(b) 44th Teleradio Company
Had telephone & radio equipment but lacked batteries and transport.
(c) 44th Photoelectric Section (searchlights) 178
2 large & 2 small searchlights.
Equipment is very good shape, apparently.
Weapons & men in poor shape — as also the uniforms.
Motorcycles in fair mechanical condition and fair tires, but no replacement parts available.



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5. OZIERI:

United ~~Hosp~~ Medical Supply Depot in charge of

CAPT. MELONI (INF.) - Administrator
2nd Lt. DEBUCA - Pharmacist

The ~~Hosp~~ depot had an abundance of cotton dressings but was out of or very low on medicines, novocaine, quinine, ~~sterile~~ suture, hypodermic syringes, etc. All stocks are low or out in quantity.

There are two complete field hospitals in storage plus parts of two others.

Linen is low.

Lot of nondescript troops hanging around the area. Place not too clean.

This is the only important medical supply depot on the island.

6. OZIERI

Visited the - Field Hospital.

Strength: 7 officers, - namely
4 medical - Surgical
1 Pharmacist
1 Administrator
1 Chaplain

Organic - 57 men
actual - 90 men
organic - 50 beds
possible - 300 beds

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This hospital had a sergeant surgeon who was capable of performing laboratory techniques, but no all field hospital have one — Med. Off. usually do this.

The enlisted men seemed to know their functions as weed men.

The hospital had a surgical tent and 4 Ranger ward tents. The surgical instruments were scanty and in poor state of maintenance.

This unit had just arrived from CORSICA.

7. OZIERI

Inspected the 70th Mobile Heavy Machine Shops, commanded by 2nd Lt. BORIN, SERGIO. (absent)

Strength: organic 80
present 12
remainder at BISCEGLIE.

Equipment: 6 Heavy Trucks w/trailers (2 units in Corsica)
2 lathes
Boring machines
Electric Welder
Oxy-acetylen Welder
8 Work-Benches
20 Vises
Vulcanizer
Hand tools.

Repairs ~~most~~ engines but not ordnance.

Has no stock of spare-parts.

The personnel are all machinist specialists.

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The hospital had a surgical tent and 4 larger ward tents. The surgical instruments were scanty and in poor state of maintenance.

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remainder at BASRATA.

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Boring machine
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& Work-Benches
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Hand tools.

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f. OSCHIRI

Inspected the 3rd Btry, 1st Bn., 7th Artillery Regt. (CREMONA)

C.O. Regt. — COL. CATANIA.
BN. C.O. — CAPT. SERCIO
Btry C.O. — Lt. PANGNIA

This was a battery of 100/17 guns. The personnel were better shod and better clothed than the infantry units inspected.

The battery was completely equipped with wire communications, signal devices, optical instruments (Italian units do not have range-finders) and fire control instruments. The Regt'l C.O. reported that the 2nd Bn. had tractors as prime-movers but that this 1st Bn. had none, and was for the present moved by horses.

The gunners and canoneers appeared to be well trained in their duties.

The guns appeared to be in good mechanical condition and fairly well maintained. The men individual small arms were poor.

It was claimed that this unit saw action during the invasion of France in 1940.

In all the above units, the men showed a lack of seriousness or proud soldierly bearing & when not in formation tended to crowd around the inspection with stupid curiosity which reflected

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their vigilance and lack of proper discipline. Police and cleanliness, both personal and of their surroundings, was very poor.

Training schedules are either non-existent or very hit-and-miss. The reasons given are that the men cannot exert themselves on account of the swelling of the ration, and the desire to conserve the already shabby uniforms and equipment. This idleness contributes to the men's listlessness and lack of smartness. Nevertheless, the troops did show the element of good basic training and familiarity with their functions and duties.

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① CAGLIARI

Visit to the 518th Field Hospital, packed ready for shipment to Sicily with "SABALOD DIV."

C.O. - Capt. BIANCHINI

Strength: 4 Medical-Surgical officers
1 Administrator
1 Pharmacist
1 Chaplain
Total 7 officers
3 Non-coms.
56 men

Tentage: 4 ward tents, 9 x 11 meters, and 1 surgical tent.
Ordinary capacity: 12 beds per tent

The men's appearance was poor, owing to deterioration of uniforms and personal equipment. Armed, but arms rusty.

The hospital equipment seemed adequate and was well-packed— Tents, bandages, medicines, boxes of food for patients, linen, mattresses, splints, surgical instrument, folding cot and stools, etc. 4873

C.O. stated that many his E.M.'s were laboratory Technicians. This work done by officers.

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2. Inspection visit to the "BATTAGLIONE ARDITI"

Battalion C.O. - Lt. Col. BOSCHETTI

C.O. 1st Company - CAPT. CHIZZI

C.O. 2nd Company - CAPT. OCCHETTI

C.O. 3rd Company - CAPT. CAPOZZA

~~Fleet troops~~

Strength of Bn.: 25 officers
300 men

These troops correspond to our Rangers: Each man is armed with 1 pistol, 1 dagger, 1 machine carbine, 200 rds. of ammunition, & hand-grenades, and a knapsack loaded with various types of explosive, fuzes, & detonator caps.

The 1st company was trained and equipped to land from submarines with rubber boats on enemy shore. (Compagnia da sbarco)

The 2nd Co. was trained to adopt disguises and infiltrate them enemy lines to perform sabotage (Compagnia di Sabotatori)

The 3rd Co. was trained to penetrate enemy lines with light armored cars and harass the enemies rear area, - This Co. however, had no vehicles. ~~which~~ (compagnia di camionettisti)

The men were specially selected for physical prowess and alertness. They presented a very creditable appearance. Their small arms were in much better shape than

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those of units previously visited, although these were issue carbines here & these that were not up to par. Mules and clothing were also in better condition.

Ordinarily, these men are on a special ration since their training calls for greater exertions. This has now been reduced from 700 grams of bread per day to 250 grams per day.

3. Various Artillery Units:

While inspecting the Ardeti, three batteries of motorized artillery passed by on the road, i.e. 1 battery of 75/27, 1 battery of 105/28, and 1 battery of 149/13. These units were not inspected. From all that appeared however, the guns were in good shape. The prime movers were of various makes sizes, and vintages.

Col. POSSOMANO, commander of the XIII Corps Artillery gave his assurances that their equipment, both guns and vehicles, were in excellent shape, but that there was a shortage of replacement parts for the vehicles.

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4. Inspection of 2nd Company, 18th Bn 32nd Armored Regt.

C.O. – Capt. MAHIA

Strength – 5 officers
13 non-coms
80 men

The company was organized as 4 platoons of 3 tanks each. There were 13 tanks in the company, one being for the C.O., and 4 heavy tanks for transport of fuel and supplies. Only three were equipped with a hoist. In addition there were a light "turretless tank" and a 3-wheeled motorcycle unit. The tanks were of the "M" type.

The crew of each tank was made up of 3 men: The tank commander – who also manned the gun
The driver
The radioman

Both officers and men presented a clean snappy appearance and, on examination, answered the questions promptly and clearly. Their clothing was in good shape. The tanks showed little signs of wear and appeared to be in good serviceable condition.



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(5) Inspection of the 1st Battery of the 361st Bn. 1st/19 Lov.

Bn. Commander — Lt. Col. MARCANTE

Bty " — Capt. GIARDI

Strength: 4 officers, 5 non-comm. and 86 men.

These howitzers were drawn by large trucks, which had large wheels, and dotsons bodies were arranged to carry the accessories, the pieces and also the cannoneers.

On a demonstration of "Preparing for Action" and a dry run on a journey problem, the battery took ~~about~~ 25 minutes to prepare for action from the time the battery moved into the field. The is very slow.

Observation of the officer and men during the transmission of ~~firing~~ firing data indicated that they understood their duties and were familiar with the techniques of serving the pieces. Most of the men had served with their unit at least three years.

The battery was fully equipped with its optical and fire control instruments. (Range-finders are not battery equipment)

On the command of "March Order", the battery took about 8 minutes to limber the pieces. The vehicle drivers seemed to be able to handle the trucks all right.

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SAN CARLOS: Inspection of the NEMBO DIV. (Parachute)

① Inspection of a Parachute Infantry Company of the 16th Bn.

C.O. company - Lt. FIORENTINE

Strength - organic: 121 officers & men
actual: 6 off. and 101 E.M.

The company normally has 3 platoons of paratroopers, and 1 platoon of mortars. The company inspected was reinforced by an additional platoon of mortars, each of which had 3 pieces, 81 mm. The individuals were armed similarly to the Artillery except for the carbine.

The men were the same selected type as the "Artillery" chosen for their physical qualifications from among athletes, and had the same enthusiasm and precision in their military bearing. Their clothing is rapidly deteriorating.

This group put on a demonstration of an attack using live ammunition in all weapons, including a platoon of 47/32 AT guns. The dispatch and method of deployment of the men indicated good discipline and familiarity with duties.

⑤ Inspection of a Parachute Demolitions Company from the Demolitions Battalion

C.O. company - Lt. OLIVA

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strength: 6 officers
6 non-coms plus a 20% reserve over strength
87 men

actual: 76 men

This company is composed of 1 headquarters platoon, and 3 "quadratori" platoons. The "quadratori" platoon is organized into 2 squads of "quadratori" and one squad of supporting riflemen.

This group, after a brief inspection, past on a demonstration of an attack against concrete pill-boxes and against actual tanks. Their technique was to advance under covering artillery and mortar fire, and obscure the position with smoke; then, approach it with flame-throwers and finally destroy it with prepared explosive charges. Their show and the one against the tanks revealed practice in the technique — at least in these "canned" situations.

(3) Review of the school division, consisting of 1 Bty, 183rd Fld Regt, 184th Fld Regt, 184 Light Artillery Regt, a "Quadratore" Bn, a Mortar Co., and a Motorcycle Co. — Double-time and in perfect step. Major Gallippi, "Muovire in bellezza!"

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Poster on Inspection Tour on 15 Dec 43.

@ of SARZURI.

Inspected were representative elements of the ARMORED GROUPMENT (XIII Corps), commanded by GEN. BRIG. SCALABRINO. The units inspected came from the 3rd ARMORED REGIMENT, commanded by COL. GUARNARO. This regiment is organized in seven battalions of the following: "M" tanks, "SOMUA" tanks, "L" tanks, Self-Propelled Tank-destroyers, motorcycle-machine-gun, and light mobile machine shops. (See diagram attached for composition, organization and armament.)

On the parade ground, neatly arranged in a line of companies, were representative units from each type of battalion. The officers and men were standing by their vehicles.

A. 3rd Motorcycle-Machine-Gun Company.

C.O. - Lt. ARRU

Strength:- 4 officers
5 non-coms
91 men
17 motorcycles, 7 vehicles 18 ~~Lin~~ tricycles 8 ~~Fiat~~ BREDA ~~Mod~~ 37 ~~mm~~
8 mm.

The motorcycle drivers seemed to know their



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machine fairly well, but did not know much about motors repairs. ~~In fact, the standard~~
The drivers' tool kits were all depleted and contained an occasional rusty jack or wrench. None had any grease-guns or oil cans. The motorcycle drivers were ignorant or hazy on the interval of time or distance travelled after which the lubricants ~~and~~ should be checked, changed, or ~~to~~ added. The machines were in a satisfactory state of police. They were all serviceable. Tires are becoming worn ~~out~~ and there are no replacements. Lack of spare parts is making maintenance difficult also.
This problem is further complicated by the variety of machines in use in any given organization. This one has four different makes, namely, GILERA, BENELLI, GUZZI and BIANCHI among which parts are not interchangeable.
The tricycles had a small cart which carried the machine-gun on a tripod, and 11 cans of ~~the~~ ammunition. The machine-gunner seemed to know his weapon, but was ignorant of other types, ~~of~~ calibres, and modes of machine-guns used in the Italian Army. The ~~pistols~~, small arms were generally in ~~only~~ fair condition of cleanliness - an occasional one was fouled with rust, grime, dust or ~~dirt~~ sand.
~~Rank and file had the usual uniform. They were walking and a number could not be had a second pair.~~

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~~B. 3rd Company, L Tanks~~

B. 3rd "L" Tank Company

C.O. – Lt. BENIGNI

Strength – 5 officers
82 men (Organic 154 men)
6 hospital

The tanks in this company were the "L 3/35" type whose crew of 3 men consisted of the driver and the gunner, and whose ~~the~~ armament consisted of two coaxially mounted 8mm. Machine-guns. The C.O. explained that tactically these vehicles ~~could not be used~~ were too light to be used as tanks but could be used for reconnaissance or for exploiting a break-through behind the attacking infantry. They were in serviceable condition, although here too, the drivers were vague about lubrication and routine preventive maintenance. Inspection of some of nipples and bearing revealed that they had not been greased for some time and were dry.

B. 3rd Tank Destroyer Battery (Self Propelled) 75/18, 6th Tank Bn.

crew: { 1 tank-comdr.
1 Radio man
1 driver
1 gunner

C.O. – CAPT. LAVSDEI

These were vehicles which resembled the "M" tanks, except that it had an open turret and carried a 75/18 gun. The C.O. explained that this battery could be used for tank-destroying and ~~also~~ being equipped with fire-control

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written report

1. Reasons

(a). Data required & reasons applies (Full name of officer)

~~(b) Remarks~~

(b). See maj Jeanotte and ask about car regarding type & see what the report must be verbally to Col. Stacy.

(b) Commander - Strength report

Diagram last one to communicate

on radio. Ask Beck about convoy

stopping by Elem & Bentzel's & Bell and

Col. will take Battalion & Dr. What

are Berlin outfits.

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~~~~ instruments it could also be used as normal field artillery. These batteries ~~~~ have long range-finders (Field artillery batteries do not.) There are two TD Batteries in this Tank Bn. (See diagram.)

D. 4th "M" Tank Co

C.O. - CAPT. SETA.

This company ~~is~~ identical ~~~~ with the "M" Tank Co. inspected on 9 DEC 43 at CAGLIARI & The C.O. described these on 4/15/42 tanks.

E. 2nd Tank-Destroyer Battery (S.P.) 75/M, 561st T.D. Bn.

C.O. - CAPT. ASTURINO

This is identical with the Battery described in C above. ~~~~ It is part of a ~~~~ Tank-Destroyer Battalion instead of a Tank Bn.

F. Light Mobile Machine Shop

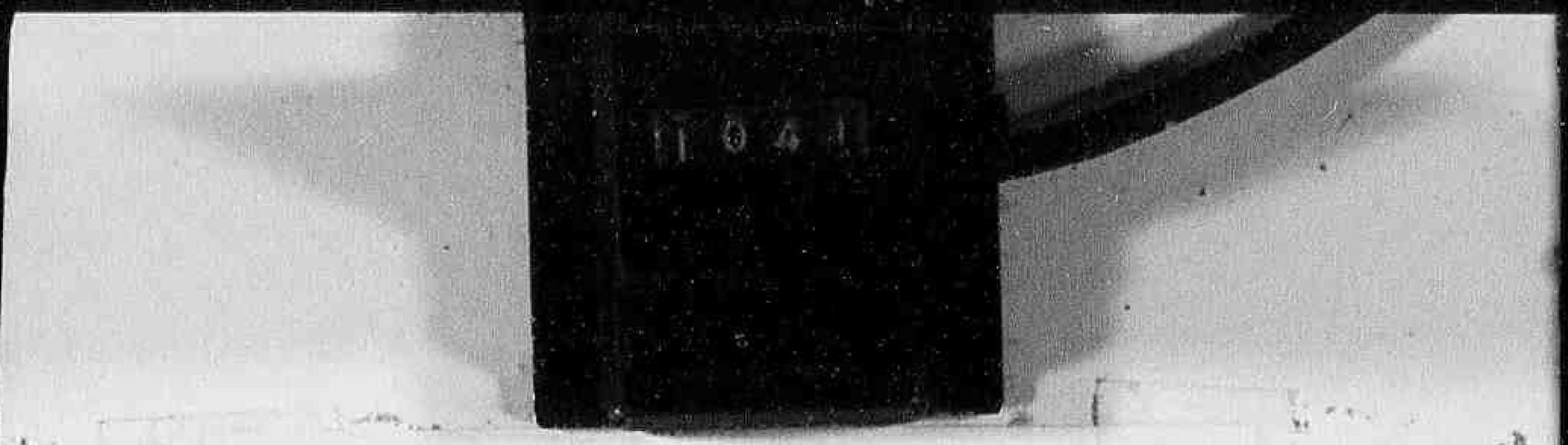
C.O. - Lt. Ferrara.

~~This unit is transported~~

Strength: 4 Officers
6 non-coms
80 men

This unit consists of 3 trucks / for the work benches and machinery, one for the accessories such

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as the electric generator, tool Cabinets, Rockets, and one jeep
jeep parts, tentage etc.

The men are organized into three groups:

1 headquarters section
1 Repair platoon
1 Salvage platoon.

The men in the repair platoon are all expert machinists and mechanics. The unit includes an electrically driven lathe, drills, and the usual hand-tools. There are many jeep parts.

2. General comment and observations:

A. The Vehicles All units had a complement of heavy trucks. These were in serviceable condition. Spot-checks revealed that crank-case lubricants were at proper levels and that some drivers had notions of preventive maintenance, although there is a feeling that they were guessing.

The trucks of the "L" tank Company had ramps to permit loading the tank onto the truck, and a steel frame trailer for the transport of a second tank.

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B. Clothing

Members of these armored units have one summer and one winter uniform, but only one pair of shoes — ~~the one they~~ they were wearing. These are practically worn out. Only the officers and non-commissioned tank-commanders wear the leather jacket and leggins — the rest wear the regulation wool uniform. Few men had underwear. Members of the machine-shop had coveralls.

C. Food

These men eat once per day at 11:30 A.M. A typical meal is: pasta (70 gr.) bread (250 gr.), some cauliflower, coffee and sugar. They get milk and meat occasionally. The C.O. reported that they were beginning to receive white flour from ~~Italian~~ American sources.

D. Morale.

Morale seemed to be higher here than in the ordinary infantry units — probably due to pride and esprit de corps in armored outfit; but the spirit was not too high as that observed in the ~~Nembo~~ Nembo or Ariete units.

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E. Discipline

Men were neat and military in the formation, and answered questions well. Yet men in front ranks turned around with curiosity when rear ranks were being inspected. After the inspection the discipline collapsed. In a downpouring rain, ~~several~~ individual



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Inspection Trip on 7 December '43 — NOTES

1. NUORO: Inspected 1 Inf. Company, commanded by ~~Capt.~~ 2nd Lt. CESAROTTI; 1 Sappers Company. Commanded by

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units broke formation and fled now & off the fields in order to return to their barracks ~~and positions were backlogged~~ in spite of ~~their~~ platoon and company commanders efforts to call them back. (7)

F. Supplies

All classes of supplies ~~except ammo~~ are low, except ammunition which ~~is~~ reported to be abundant. Stress was laid upon the lack of lubricants, tires ~~tubes~~ and tire and tube repair equipment, as well as upon the battalion alone there was a shortage of some 72 tires.

G. Tactics

The commanders and officers stressed that these armored unit cannot attack and hold ground on their own. They should rather be used with a division or other infantry unit to perform reconnaissance or to exploit ~~the~~ break-throughs.

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Visit to Inspection Tour on 14 Dec 43

O SANLURI Inspected the elements listed below of the Armored Groupment (XIII Corps).

C. O. of "Raggruppamento Motocorazzato" - Gen. SCIABARRA
- C.O. 32nd Armored Regt. - Col. GUARNARO
- C.O. 8th Company, 1st Motorcycle M.G. Bn. - Lt. ARRU
- C.O. 3rd Company, 2nd Light Tank Bn (M) - Lt. BENIGNI
- C.O. 3rd Battery, 71st T.D. Bn. - Capt. LAUSDEI
- C.O. 4th Company, 18th Medium Tank Bn - Capt. ASTURINO

~~32nd Armored Regt.~~

Light Motorcycle Machine Gun Platoon, Hq. & Hq Co. 32nd Armored Regt. - Lt. FERRARI

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Io sottoscritto, Cap. Vitali Augusto P., del Land Forces Subcommission, Allied Control Commission, ELMAS, dichiaro di ricevere dal Ten. Olivieri Arrigo del XVI Btg. Camicie Nere, 32 Rgt. Carristi una autovettura Fiat 1100, targa R.E. 43824, completa di accessori come da libretto di macchina, senza coperture e camere d'aria.

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ANTIAIRCRAFT & COAST DEFENSE SECTION

4 November 1943.

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SUBJECT: AA and CD Defenses of Sardinia.

TO: G-3, AFHQ

1. The AA and CD inspection party which recently visited Sardinia has submitted its report on the existing AA and CD defenses of the island. The report, summarized, is as follows:-

a. Deployment of AA and CD equipment-- shown in Table 1, Appendix A.

b. State of AA equipment:- The equipment actually seen was modern and in good condition. HAA batteries at Maddalena and Cagliari were stated to have fire control instruments, some with electrical data transmission. At other places approximately half of the HAA batteries were equipped with range finders and predictors. Others had only range finders. With the exception of 4 40mm guns at Maddalena, 4 37mm at Decimomannu, and 8 37mm at Alghero, all of the LAA defenses consist of 20mm guns, usually sited with HAA batteries. All searchlights were stated to be equipped with sound locators and distant electric control. There are two German WURZBURG Type D/IV GL sets at Maddalena which are being put into action with German-trained Italian personnel.

c. Barrage Balloons:- None.

d. Smoke:- None.

e. Early Warning:- Serving Maddalena, there are 12 observer posts covering a radius of about 25 miles on Maddalena and Sardinia. This is to be supplemented by the two WURZBURG GL sets which will go into action as soon as a raid warning is received. There is a similar observer net in the Cagliari area, which has gaps in it due to mountainous terrain. Two RAF ASV sets with range of approximately 30 miles are situated at Decimomannu, with lines to gun positions and to the Cagliari G.O.R.

f. Gun Operations Rooms:- A well-organized Gun Operations Room exists at Cagliari, with plotting board and with telephone and radio communications to gun positions. Radio communication, however, is unreliable, and telephone lines all pass through the town and are therefore vulnerable. The G.O.R. at Maddalena contains a plotting board and switchboard. Plots are passed to one or more of the three AA/CD groups into which the defenses are organized, depending upon estimated routes of approach.

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g. Sector Operations Rooms:- No Sector Operations Rooms had been installed at the time of the inspection, although there was a telephone line from Decimomannu to the Cagliari G.O.R. for the passing of early warnings.

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h. Coast Defenses:- The deployment of coast defense guns is shown in Table 1, Appendix A. There is a separate CD headquarters at Maddalena which controls the three AA/CD groups for coast defense only. In addition to being well protected by CD guns and searchlights, Maddalena is provided with booms, photo-electric (infra-red) barriers, and mine fields. The Cagliari coast defenses consist only of 20mm guns covering the port area.

i. Manning Personnel:- Owing to the fact that the officers and enlisted men who were members of the Fascist Militia have been removed, it has been necessary to supplement the original AA personnel with Army officers and Army or Navy enlisted men with little or no previous experience. As a consequence, the state of training and combat efficiency is low, although morale appeared to be good, and all officers seen were frank and cooperative. Aircraft recognition was poor. As Italian AA

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personnel returns from Corsica, it is expected that the batteries in Sardinia will be able to acquire a higher proportion of trained men. Maintenance appeared to be good and states of readiness were reasonable. From the ineffective fire which was delivered against a JU 88 flying at 12,000 feet over Cagliari on 20 October, the efficiency of Italian AA units cannot be rated very highly.

1. Miscellaneous:-

(1) Adequate stocks of ammunition are on hand.

(2) The supply of spare parts on the island is limited.

(3) There is a shortage of wire, and where radio is available there is a shortage of batteries.

(4) The blackout is invariably unsatisfactory.

(5) Road and rail communications appear to be undamaged.

2. Estimated AA Requirements for Sardinia.

a. Details of estimated requirements for the AA defenses of Sardinia are shown in Table 2, Appendix A.

b. For the defense of Maddalena, the 167th Separate CA Bn (AA) Gun, deploying 16 90mm guns with radar, has already been shipped. It is considered that two U.S. automatic weapons batteries, total 16 40mm guns, should also be deployed in this area as soon as shipping permits. For searchlight defense 20 U.S. searchlights equipped with radar, with the 8 Italian AA searchlights as satellites, should be sufficient. The 360th Separate CA Bn (AA) SL, which has been earmarked for Sardinia, will meet the requirements for Maddalena.

c. For the defense of Cagliari and the nearby airfields of Elmas and Decimomannu, the 74th CA (AA) Regiment (No 3rd Bn) has already been shipped. It is estimated that this area can be adequately defended by 16 U.S. 90mm guns with radar, supplemented by the existing Italian HAA batteries. A reasonable searchlight defense should be provided by the existing Italian equipment, once means of passing accurate data to them from the G.O.R. have become established. The port of Cagliari requires 16 40mm guns, some of which should be sited in a dual AA and CD role.

d. When the port of Olbia is opened, 8 90mm and 8 40mm guns should be provided for its defense. The size of this port and its probable limited use are not believed to justify a heavier scale of defense.

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e. Each airfield outside the Cagliari GDA should be provided (but in lowest priority) with a U.S. 4-gun 90mm battery, in addition to any Italian HAA guns already there, and also with 16 37 or 40mm guns, at least half of which should be American.

f. All mobile Italian AA equipment on airfields not to be used should be moved to the nearest port or airfield for which defense is required.

g. The G.O.R's at Cagliari and Maddalena must be reorganized so as to plot and broadcast radar information to both U.S. and Italian positions. The C.O. 74th CA (AA) is now reorganising the Cagliari G.O.R., and it is believed that similar steps are being taken at Maddalena by the C.O. 167th Separate CA (AA) Gun Bn. The Commanding Officer 31st CA Brigade will have at his disposal for Corsica and Sardinia a G.O.R. Platoon, which will probably be supplemented by an additional platoon from Sicily at a later date. It can be safely assumed that the G.O.R. situation in Sardinia is now well in hand.

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h. Table 2, Appendix A, shows that U.S. AA units required in Sardinia are three gun battalions, three AW battalions, and one searchlight battalion, with an AA Group Headquarters to control them. Two gun battalions and one AW battalion have already been provided. The balance is available on call, and should be sent in following order of priority:-

1 AW Bn (533rd CA now at Bizerta).
1 Group Hq 1st CA Group Sicily).
1 G.O.R. Platoon Sicily.
1 AW Bn Sicily.
1 Gun Bn Sicily.
360th Searchlight Bn, Algiers.

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APPENDIX A

TABLE 1 -- ITALIAN AA & CD DEFENSES IN SARDINIA

	HAA	HAA/CD	CD	LAA	20MM	S/L
MADDALENA NAVAL BASE	20x76mm 12x90mm 3x102mm	16x76mm 15x102mm	9x305mm 4x203mm 3x180mm 18x152mm 3x120mm	4x40mm	12	17 CD 7 AA 1 AA/CD
CAGLIARI	26x76mm 12x90mm 26x102mm	-------	-------	-------	Approx 30	1 on most HAA sites Est. 12
DECIMO-MANNU A/F	12x75mm 16x90mm	-------	-------	4x37mm	16	-------
ALGHERO A/F	8x90mm	-------	-------	8x37mm	15	-------
PORTO TORRES	12x90mm	-------	-------	-------	3	-------
SAN ANTIOCO PORT	-------	-------	12x120mm 8x102mm	-------	-------	-------
MILIS A/F	8x75mm	-------	-------	-------	12	-------
BORORE A/F	8x75mm	-------	-------	?	?	-------
VENA FIORITA A/F (NR. OLBIA)	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------	-------

NOTE: Monserrato, Villacidro, Oristano, & Borore A/F not reconnoitered.

TABLE 2 -- U.S. AA REQUIREMENTS IN SARDINIA

	90mm	40mm	SL
MADDALENA	16	16	20
CAGLIARI) ELMAS A/F)	16	16	--
DECIMOMANNU)		16	--

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MANNU A/F	16x90mm					
ALGHERO A/F	8x90mm	-------	-------	8x37mm	15	-------
PORTO TORRES	12x90mm	-------	-------	-------	3	-------
SAN ANTIOCO PORT	-------	-------	12x120mm 8x102mm	------	-------	-------
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DECIMOMANNU A/F)		16	--
ALGHERO A/F	4	8	—
VENAFIORITA A/F	4	16	—
OLBIA PORT	8	8	--
TOTALS	48	96	20

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EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN FORCES

OBJECT.

1. To decide the policy to be adopted for the future of the Italian ground and air forces.

GENERAL.

2. An agreement has already been reached on the employment and disposition of the Italian Fleet and Mercantile Marine. At Appendix A an outline of this agreement is given.

GROUND FORCES AVAILABLE.

3. a. The following Italian ground forces exist in areas under our control:

20th Friuli Inf Div 44th Cremona Inf Div 225th C/D ? 226th C/D ?	- CORSICA
30th Sabauda Inf Div 31st Calabria Inf Div 47th Bari Inf Div Nembo Parachute Div (Four Bns) 204th C/D ? 205th C/D ?	- SARDINIA
58th Legnano Inf Div 104th Mantova Inf Div 152nd Piceno Inf Div 24th C/D 210th C/D 212th C/D 227th C/D 31st Coastal Brigade	- Mainland of ITALY (in our possession)

b. It is considered that these forces which are now in enemy occupied ITALY and the BALKANS will be demobilized after surrendering their

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EMPLOYMENT OF ITALIAN FORCES

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ITALIAN EQUIPMENT.

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b. In SICILY approximately 165,000 Italian troops were captured. Previous experience indicates that the equipment surrendered will re-equip 20 to 25 percent of the forces in clothing and light weapons, i.e., some 30 to 40,000 men, and some 5 percent of the heavy equipments may be serviceable.

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9. Now that the Italians have been granted the right of co-belligerents, there will be strong pressure to permit the use of their forces in an active role.

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18. More use can be made of the transportation aircraft, flying boats, and seaplanes, which could work for SOE, on Air sea rescue and Air courier service. All technical I.A.F. personnel will be required for repair and maintenance of Italian and Allied aircraft and installations.

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It is considered that Italian officers could be found for such units, and in addition certain outstanding officers and NCOs might be released to stiffen the field forces.

TRANSFERENCE OF ITALIAN FORCES FROM SARDINIA.

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PRIORITY OF EMPLOYMENT.

26. a. It is considered that of the possible uses considered above the most important is that of specialist units.

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b. Equipment. No further Italian equipment should be issued to SOE. The stocks that now exist should cover the requirements of existing units for some time, but if large numbers of P of W are reformed into units their clothing and equipment will have to be found from Allied sources.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

30. It is recommended that:

a. This paper be approved.

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APPENDIX "A"

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1. The armistice having been signed between the head of the Italian Government and the Allied Commander-in-Chief under which all Italian warships and the Italian mercantile marine were placed unconditionally at the disposal of the United Nations, and his Majesty the King of ITALY and the Italian Government having since expressed the wish that the fleet and the Italian mercantile marine should be employed in the Allied effort to assist in the prosecution of the war against the Axis powers, the following principles are established on which the Italian Navy and mercantile marine will be disposed.

a. Such ships as can be employed to assist actively in the Allied effort will be kept in commission and will be used under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, as may be arranged between the Allied Commander-in-Chief and the Italian Government.

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3. Proposed disposition of the Italian Fleet.

a. Battleships will be placed on a care and maintenance basis in ports to be designated and will have such measures of disarmament applied as may be directed. These measures of disarmament will be such that the ships can be brought into operation again if it so seems desirable. Each ship will have on board a proportion of Italian Naval personnel to keep the ships in proper condition and the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, will have the right of inspection at any time.

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c. Destroyers and Torpedo Boats. It is proposed to keep these in commission and to use them on escort and similar duties as may be required. It is proposed that they should be divided into escort groups working as units and that they should be based on Italian ports.

d. Small craft. MAS, minesweepers, auxiliaries and similar small craft will be employed to the full, detailed arrangements being made by the Flag Officer (Liaison) by the Italian Ministry of Marine for their best employment.

e. Submarines. In the first instance submarines will be immobilized in ports to be designated and at a later date these may be brought into service as may be required to assist the Allied effort.

4. Status of Italian Navy.

Under the modification of the armistice terms, all the Italian ships will continue to fly their flag. A large proportion of the Italian Navy will thus remain in active commission, operating their own ships and fighting alongside the forces of the United Nations against the Axis powers.

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6. Mercantile Marine.

It is the intention that the Italian mercantile marine should operate under the same conditions as the merchant ships of the Allied Nations. That is to say, all mercantile shipping of the United Nations is forged into a pool which is employed as may be considered necessary for the benefit of all the United Nations. In this will naturally be included the requirements for the supply and maintenance of ITALY. The system will be analagous to that used in North AFRICA, where the North AFRICA shipping board controls all United States, British and French shipping under certain agreements which will have to be arranged in detail insofar as Italian ships are concerned. While it may be expected that a proportion of Italian ships will be working within the Mediterranean and to and from Italian ports, it must be appreciated that

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e. Submarines. In the first instance submarines will be immobilized in ports to be designated and at a later date these may be brought into service as may be required to assist the Allied effort.

4. Status of Italian Navy.

Under the modification of the armistice terms, all the Italian ships will continue to fly their flag. A large proportion of the Italian Navy will thus remain in active commission, operating their own ships and fighting alongside the forces of the United Nations against the Axis powers.

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I.A.F. ORDER OF BATTLE

SUPERMARINA

4th SQUADRA AEREA

Status of serviceability aircraft

FIGHTERS				
4th STORMO	Brindisi	Mc. 205	16	
		Mc. 202	2	
21st GRUPPO	Lecce	Mc. 202	4	
		Re. 2001	2	
371 Squadron	Leverano	Mc. 200	1	
	Total		25	
FIGHTER BOMBERS				
5th STORMO	Manduria	Re. 2002	8	
	Total		8	
BOMBERS				
98 GRUPPO	Manduria	C.R. 1007	1	
	Total		1	
SEAPLANES				
141 Squadron	Brindisi	C.Z. 501	6	
9 Squadron (Air Sea Rescue)	Brindisi	C.Z. 506	1	
139 Squadron	Taranto	C.Z. 506	2	
		C.Z. 501	3	
149 Squadron	Taranto	C.Z. 506	1	
		C.Z. 501	3	
183 Squadron	Taranto	C.Z. 506	2	
		C.Z. 501	2	
288 Squadron	Taranto	C.Z. 506	2	
		C.Z. 501	2	
	Total		24	
Reconnaissance				

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FIGHTER BOMBERS

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	Total		8

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Reconnaissance

103 Squadron	Manduria	Ca. 314	5
	Total		5

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Various Aircraft

MEDOLLA, MANDURIA, BRINDISI, S. MANGRAZIO	1 Ca. 133.	1 Ca. 318	
LIVELLANO, GROTTAGLIE	1 Ca. 314.	1 Ca. 313	
	2 S. 73	2 S. 79	
	1 S. 81	11 S. 82	
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Private Transport Aircraft

	LECCE	S. 75	2
		S. 79	4
		S. 81	1
		S. 83	1
	Total		8

Light Aircraft

	Brindisi	Saiman 202	4
		Cicogna	1
		F.N. 305	1
	Total		6

AERONAUTICA DELLA SARDEGNA

Status of serviceability aircraft

FIGHTERS

155 Gruppo		Mc. 205	7
		Mc. 202	4
	Total		11

Torpedo Bombers

(Decimomannu - Milis)		S. 79	6

Long Range Bombers

Decimomannu		C.Z. 1007	14

Seaplanes

84 Gruppo (Elmas)		C.S. 506	2
		Rs. 14	6
	Total		8

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SICILIA

Status of serviceability aircraft

Torpedo Bombers

Castelvetrano	S. 79	13

Fighters

Biacca & Trapani	M.C. 200	22

Various

Castelvetrano	S. 82	5
	S. 81	2
	Ca. 133	1

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P.A.D. and C.D. Section
A.P.O. 512.

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27 November 1943

TO: Lt. Col. M. D. Losey, G-3, A.F.H.Q.

Dear Col. Losey:.

I attach, as requested, a further copy of P.A.D. and C.D. report on Corsica and Sardinia.

Since this report was written 15th Air Force communicated with this section and Major Rogers visited Headquarters 15th Air Force and then proceeded to Cagliari, taking with him Captain Dean, a U.S. P.A.D. officer formarly at Palermo. Major Rogers will probably return to A.F.H.Q. along about 28 - 29 November leaving Captain Dean to carry on duties of P.A.D. officer as long as is necessary.

Yours sincerely,

S.E.H. DAW,
Lt. Colonel,
Deputy PAD & CD Advisor.

Ref: 763

1 Incl:
PAD & CD Report on Corsica and Sardinia.

Copy to: Lt. Col. R.G. H. Phillimore.

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P.A.D. and C.D. Section
APO 512.

17 November 1943

SUBJECT: P.A.D. and C.D. in Corsica and Sardinia.

TO : A. C. of S., G-3.

In accordance with your instructions, I visited Corsica and Sardinia, arriving at Ajaccio 30 October 1943.

CORSICA

I reported to Major General Stronge and was taken by him to see General Martin. Under arrangements made by the French Military authorities I visited Bastia and Bonifacio as well as Ajaccio.

My recommendations were well received by General Martin and P.A.D. orders were issued before I left by General Mollard, Military Governor of Corsica. A copy of my report to Major General Stonge is attached.

At General Mollard's request I am following up the request for the French Military Fire Unit with General Dewinck's staff. This unit is equipped with British trailer pumps on loan. I recommend that the following number be taken by them:

8 Medium Pumps.
4 Light Pumps.

with normal equipment and a supply of foam.

This estimate, subject to the limited amount of information available to him, has been agreed with the Inspector of Army Fire Services (British).

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The Italian Naval Fire Service appeared sufficient to deal with fires that might be caused by a small scale air attack. There are no R.N. fire units in the Base at present.

At Sassari I reported to Brigadier Boulnois and visited the Civil Defence Headquarters there. Arrangements were made with the Cagliari office of the Armistice Commission to see the civil defence and fire service in that town. A copy of my report to Brigadier Boulnois on civil defence in Sardinia is also attached.

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At Cagliari I found that a Base Unit (Tyrrhenian Base Depot) had been established for supply to the Air Corps. Thus a P.A.D. problem was created. I saw Colonel Harding, the Base Commander, and Colonel Doyle, Chief of Staff to Brigadier General Webster. No P.A.D. arrangements were in existence and I made certain suggestions. As a result a telegram was sent to the 15th Air Force as follows (paraphrased):

> Following recommendations by Lt. Col. S. E. H. Daw P.A.D. and C.D. Section AFHQ the following P.A.D. measures are requested; 1, immediate assignment of qualified P.A.D. officer; 2, survey by smoke expert of port area; 3, assignment of a fire fighting platoon (Engineers) with full equipment and extra supply of foam; 4, assignment of a bomb disposal unit (Ordnance) with equipment.
>
> Signed: Webster

The Chemical Warfare Section has been informed that I was consulted on the question of smoke and that I had recommended that the visit of an expert be requested.

S. E. H. DAW
Lt. Colonel
Deputy P.A.D. & C.D. Adviser

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TO: Major General H. C. T. Stronge, D.S.O., M.C.
Representative of C in C, Allied Forces, Corsica

On November 1st I saw General Martin and explained briefly to him the desirability of the creation of a Military P.A.D. organization in the Base of Ajaccio. I left with him a short draft, in French, of:

a. P.A.D. orders for the Base.

b. Orders for military units and installations as to action on air attack.

I also recommended the designation of an officer to supervise P.A.D.

The above mentioned draft orders were passed by General Martin to General Mollard with an endorsement approving the principle and stating that an officer should be designated.

The following day I saw General Mollard and discussed with him the general lines of P.A.D. in a Base. With him was Lt. Col. Thomas, Cmdt. 29th Tirailleurs who has been selected to act as P.A.D. officer.

General Mollard agreed to the creation of a P.A.D. Control Centre and instructed Lt. Col. Thomas to prepare the necessary orders for his signature.

During my visit I gave Lt. Col. Thomas all possible information on P.A.D. and made suggestions for its application to Ajaccio. Lt. Col. Thomas appears to be a very good choice, he very quickly grasped the subject and seems to possess the necessary energy to carry the organization through.

Lt. Col. Ames in the absence of Colonel Graves assured me of the cooperation of the U. S. Forces. Lt. Col. Thomas visited with me Lt. Col. Lewis at Aspretto and Major Kirkland at No. 320 Service Group. Arrangements for mutual aid in men and equipment were made.

I had pointed out to General Mollard that my main concern was Military P.A.D. and that two French experts were on their way from Algeria to deal with Civil Defence. These have since arrived and have commenced their work. They are in touch with Lt. Col. Thomas in order that the military and civil organisation may be coordinated.

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Before leaving I called on General Mollard and General Martin. I have every reason to believe that my suggestions have been well received and that they will be put into operation.

An appendix to this report contains details on various aspects of P.A.D.

/S/ S. E. H. Daw, Lt. Colonel
Deputy P.A.D. & C.D. Advisor, AFHQ

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FIRE SERVICE

The civil fire service, except for about five men is part time. It appears to be quite inadequate to deal with air attack. I therefore recommended that the French Military Fire Unit, which is equipped with British equipment and at present stationed at Tunis, be ordered here. Application has been made to French HQ, at Algiers for this to be done.

BOMB DISPOSAL

As far as can be ascertained there are no Bomb Disposal Units, French or Allied, on the Island. A French section has already been asked for but should there be any delay, it is recommended that a Britishor U. S. Bomb Disposal section be sent.

BLACKOUT

The present system is to cut electric current on an alert. This is, in my opinion, undesirable as it deprives essential services of light and is bad for morale. General Mollard said however that it was the only means of ensuring blackout when necessary.

VEHICLE LIGHTING

I recommended to General Mollard that measures be instituted to stop all vehicles approaching the town on an alert so that the drivers could be warned to proceed slowly and with side lights only. This is most important.

VITAL POINTS

I suggested that measures be taken for the protection of vulnerable parts of the electric light works, transformers and other vital points. Such installations can be easily protected against blast and splinters.

SMOKE

Although outside the purview of P.A.D. I understand that the Civil Defence organization is to be charged with the responsibility of operating smoke. Although I know that the reason is to economize manpower, Iam very doubtful of the result. It would, in my opinion, be preferable for this service to be operated by a military unit, at least until the Civil Defence organization has been satisfactorily completed.

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SUBJECT: P.A.D. and Civil Defence

TO : Brigadier P. K. Boulnois, C.B.E., D.S.O., Sardinia

SASSARI

Although a Civil Defence organization exists at Sassari, it does not seem to be very efficient. The Fire Service appears to be adequate for present needs. In view of the improbability of an air attack on Sassari, I do not suggest any increase in the present services.

Shelter accommodation is in my opinion sufficient for the present raid risk. Should air attack on the island develop, further shelters would be needed and the C.D. organization developed.

CAGLIARI

The Civil Defence organization (Protazione Antiaerea) is divided into three groups:

1. U.N.P.A. Wardens and Rescue Services
2. CROCE ROSSO Medical Services
3. VIGILE DEL FUOCO Fire Service

There is a central post which controls the above three divisions. When reports of air raid damage are received, the Central Control orders out the rescue parties, ambulances, etc.

The present state of the above services is as follows:

U.N.P.A. Whereas there were formerly five rescue parties, now there is one only. This party consists of a leader and nineteen men. The U.N.P.A. organization is rarely efficient and Cagliari does not appear to be an exception. The head of the Service here does not inspire much confidence. It would be possible, I was informed, to increase the number of rescue parties to four or even five, if required.

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I was informed that the present population is approximately 30,000. If this number is maintained or increased, the Civil Defence organization should be increased and overhauled. I recommend at least three permanent rescue parties, instead of one. In addition I recommend one light rescue party of six men (to deal with surface casualties) per sector. These need not be permanent but report to Sector Control on an alert.

The alternative to improvement in the Civil Defence organization is to cause the present population to be reduced to about 10,000 persons for which the present organization would be about sufficient. Doubtless if air attack on the Port were to take place, there would be another exodus from the town.

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In order that it may be of value to reinforce the Army Fire Service, I recommend that the Civil Fire Service be required at once to overhaul its equipment and to maintain it adequately.

To supervise the Civil Defence and Fire Service, it might be desirable to obtain for a period, the services of an expert Civil Defence and Fire Officer from another Region of the Armistice Commission. There are several such Officers, one of whom is Major Mason, now in Sicily.

Lt. Colonel
Deputy PAD & Civil Defence Advisor AFH

Cagliari
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PRINCIPLE ALLIED OFFICERS IN SARDINIA and CORSICA

SARDINIA:

Brig. Gen. WEBSTER	:	Garrison Commander. CG, 42d Bomber Wing.
Colonel DOYLE	:	~~CO, 33~~ a/S 42d Bomber Wing.
Colonel HARDING	:	SOS Representative.
Brig. BOULNOIS	:	Regional Commissioner, No. 6 Regt.
Colonel CHAPIN	:	CO, 31st CA Brig.

CORSICA:

Maj. Gen. STRONGE	:	C-in-C's Representative.
Col. D. D. GRAVES	:	O.C., Allied Troops. (CO, 63 Fighter Wing) Air Defense Commander (Including SARDINIA)
Gen. MARTIN	:	French Commander, CORSICA.

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SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All Concerned

1. The following will proceed on or about 28 November 1943 from this station to Sardinia in order to carry out the instructions of the C-in-C:

Col. FLOYD L. SIMMONS, O-100037, IGL, 2675th Regt Allied Commission (U.S. Contingent) (Prov).
Capt. AUGUSTUS P. VITALI, O-338712, FA, [illegible].
Pvt. Vincent J. Tarantino, 39283827, Hq. Co. Hq. Comd, AF.
T/5 Alex Gentile, 36316209, Hq. Co. Hq. Comd, AF.

2. Travel by military aircraft, rail and/or surface transportation is authorized.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

H. H. NEWMAN,
Lt. Col. A.G.D.,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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I -- DIVISION OF THE ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF OCCUPIED TERRITORY INTO TWO ORGANIZATIONS.

Effective 24 October 1943, the Allied Military Government of Occupied Territory established by Administrative Memorandum No. 35, this headquarters, cs, is divided into two organizations: Allied Military Government 15 Army Group, and Headquarters Allied Military Government. The former will administer Allied Military Government in territory in rear of combat zones of the 15 Army Group. The latter will operate in such other Italian territory as is placed under Allied Military Government. The transfer of territory from the one organization to the other will be by order of this headquarters.

II -- MILITARY GOVERNOR.

General Sir Harold Alexander, as General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, 15 Army Group, will remain Military Governor of all Italian territory under Allied Military Government.

III - ASSIGNMENT OF CHIEF OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 15 ARMY GROUP AND OF CHIEF OF HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

Announcement is made of the assignment of Major General Lord Rennell of Rodd to be Chief of Allied Military Government 15 Army Group, and of Brigadier General Frank J. McSherry to be Chief of Headquarters Allied Military Government.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

T.J. DAVIS,
Brigadier General, United States Army,
Adjutant General. 48 0

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A) Translate into Italian:

1. The three patrols have returned to their unit.

2. The commander of the organization said that the enemy had blown up the bridges on that road.

3. A few months ago, the railroad was functioning, but now traffic may be in a doubtful situation.

4. Everyone must obey the orders of the government proclamation.

5. Let us not pass here without being challenged.

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1. Il tre [illegible] fanno ritornato al loro
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2 Il commandante dell'organizzazione
dice che il nemico aveva distrutto
i ponte su quel fiume

3. Potri morei fà. il persona famigliare
ma adesso il traffico può essere
in una situazione diverta

4. Ognuno deve obbedire gli ordini
della detta proclama

5. Non fare passare a nessuno
senza essere ispedata

Taranto

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Translate into English.

1. Passarono ventiquattro ore prima che egli potè' trapassare il guado.

2. La responsabilità per lo stato del morale della truppa resta sempre sulle spalle del comandante del reparto.

3. In quel convoglio, furono silurate tre belle navi delle quale una, con un carico di grano, si fondò.

4. Ci sono oltre otto mila prigionieri in quella città.



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2) The responsibility of the morale of the troops will be on the commanding officer of the shoulders

3) On that convoy 3 ships were torpedo with one with was carried wheat was sunk.

4) They are 2,000 more prisoners in Chief Island.

Alex Gentile

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G-3 SECTION

30 October 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR : G-1 (A)

SUBJECT : Allied Control Commission

1. It is understood that the military section of the Allied Control Commission will be activated on or about 10 November.

2. In the meantime there is a most urgent requirement for a detachment of the Army Sub-Commission to commence its duties in SARDINIA. It will be accredited to Brigadier Boulnois, who will become the senior representative in SARDINIA of the Control Commission. The present minimum requirement is :

One Colonel, who should have experience of G-3 Operations and organization duties, and if possible some knowledge of the Italian Army. He should be able to speak Italian, and he must have necessary character and personality to deal with high ranking Italian officers both as a liaison officer on behalf of the Allied forces in SARDINIA, and to transmit the instructions of the Control Commission and see they are carried out.

One Staff Officer, Captain or Major - an Italian speaker and with a good knowledge of Army organization.

One clerk, steno-typist, and

One motor-transport driver.

3. It would be appreciated if the above personnel may be made available without delay, on detached service until such time as they can be assigned to the Military Sub-Commission. They should report to this Headquarters for instructions before proceeding to SARDINIA.

LOWELL W. ROOKS,
Major General, G.S.C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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12 November 1943

SUBJECT: Relations between Military Commanders and Officers of Allied Military Government.

TO : All Concerned.

1. a. As outlined in Administrative Memorandum No. 69, this headquarters, cs, the Allied Military Government of Occupied Territory has been divided into two units; one under Allied Military Government 15 Army Group, to operate in the combat zone, and the other, under Headquarters Allied Military Government, to operate in all other occupied territory.

b. This directive defines the relationship between Military Commanders (British District, Sub-District, Area, Sub-Area and Garrison Commanders and U.S. Base Section and District Commanders) and AMG Officers, in the area which is under Headquarters Allied Military Government for military government purposes.

2. a. It is intended that the government of Italian territory in rear of the combat zone shall be handed over to the Italian authorities as soon as the situation permits. Headquarters Allied Military Government will then be replaced by an Allied Control Commission which will administer a system of post-armistice control over the Italians.

b. Until this transfer of responsibilities takes place, the existing system of military government will continue in operation, under the direction and control of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer at Headquarters Allied Military Government, and through his subordinate Regional Civil Affairs Officers.

3. a. Allied Military Government personnel will be under command of the Commander of the Base Section, District, Sub-District, Area, Sub-Area or Garrison concerned for disciplinary purposes, subject to the provisions of Administrative Memorandum No. 11, this Headquarters, as, (Revised to 21 Oct. 1943).

b. In cases of military emergency, the Allied military commander responsible for defense and security will assume full command of Allied Military Government personnel and will issue such orders to them as the situation demands.

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c. In special circumstances, e.g., where there is a very small garrison under a commander junior to the Allied Military Government officer, or where an Italian commander is responsible for the administration, defense or security, special instructions will be issued by this Headquarters.

4. It will be the duty of the Regional Civil Affairs Officer to assist military commanders in his region in their dealings with the civil population. Similarly it will be the duty of the military commander to assist the Regional Civil Affairs Officer, and to uphold his authority in the civil sphere, by military action if need be.

5. Military commanders and Allied Military Government officers will maintain liaison at all times and will carry out their respective functions in close cooperation. Any difference which may arise between them will be promptly reported to this headquarters. If however an immediate decision is required, the military commander will make that decision and Allied Military Government officers will comply with his orders, pending receipt of instructions from this headquarters.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

T. J. DAVIS,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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2 - GOC, No. 1 District
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1 - Military Governor Sardinia
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G-3 SECTION

28 September 1943

SUBJECT : Instructions on Allied Control over Sardinia

TO : Regional Allied Commissioner (Sardinia)

A. Appointment

1. You have been appointed Regional Allied Commissioner for Sardinia and placed in charge of Allied control over that portion of Italian territory. You will have under your command a formation of personnel suitable to the purposes immediately in view. At the appropriate time you will proceed to Sardinia and place yourself in contact with the high commissioner appointed by the Badoglio Government to conduct the administration of the island.

B. Situation

2. On September 3, 1943, an armistice was granted to the Italian Government. A copy of the instrument (the "short terms") is attached (Annex A). Your attention is particularly directed to Article 10, whereby it is stipulated that

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3. It has been decided that in consideration of the Italian Government now undertaking to follow a policy satisfactory to the Allied Nations — and in particular declaring war upon Germany and widening its membership to include representatives of liberal democratic elements in the Italian nation — the Allied Governments will accord it the status of a co-belligerent. This does not mean that Italy is henceforth to be reckoned as one of the United Nations or is to be admitted by the British and American Governments to their counsels as an ally. It means that the Italian Government will be fighting the same enemy, and that the Allied Nations support it for that immediate and limited purpose. It must prove itself by its work: if it renders effective aid in driving the German forces out of Italy and administers its affairs in such a way as to win the confidence of the two Governments, it is fair to suppose that they will make their control lighter than would otherwise be the case.

4. An Allied Commission will shortly be created, under the presidency of the Allied Commander in Chief, to establish itself near the Italian Government and instruct and guide it. This Headquarters is not prepared

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at this time to inform you just what the organization of that Commission will be, or what specific measures of control it will be instructed to adopt. An an appropriate time after the Allied Commission has established its relations with the Italian Government, it is expected that Sicily, Calabria, Lucania and Apulia will be transferred from Allied Military Government, thenceforth to be administered, together with Sardinia, by the Italian Government under the control of the Allied Commission.

C. Mission

5. At the outset your control over Sardinia will be of a provisional character, pending the coming into operation of the Allied Commission. On the one hand you will not be conducting an Allied Military Government such as has been set up in Sicily, and on the other hand you will not be a mere military mission to offer to the Sardinian authorities suggestions and advice which they will be free to disregard. You will be the agent of the Allied Commander in Chief, who has "the right to take any measure which in his opinion may be necessary for the protection of the interests of the Allied Forces for the prosecution of the war". Subject to directions which from time to time you will receive from Allied Force Headquarters, you will speak as his representative

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6. You will dispose of the members of your formation as may be convenient for the performance of their duties, and will insist that they have complete liberty of movement and sojourn. The operations of the Allied Nations throughout Italian territory must be free from any restraint, regulation, taxation, public charge or other impediment. No Italian court shall be allowed, without the consent of the Allied Commander in Chief, to exercise jurisdiction over any member of the Allied Forces or person accompanying or serving with such forces, or over any official of one of the Allied Nations or any national thereof

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7. In their relations with the authorities and inhabitants of Sardinia your officers will maintain a correct attitude, neither autocratic on the one hand nor familiar on the other. They will avoid any such association with local personages or groups as would be likely to compromise their independence or otherwise impair their usefulness to the Allied Nations. They will at all times, whether on duty or off, be the official representatives of two Governments which, though well disposed toward the Italian people, has still not made peace with their Government. The relations between the Allied Governments and that of Marshal Badoglio are on the basis that the Italian people will eventually, after the German forces have been expelled, be given an opportunity to

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choose their own Government. It is desired that the Italian authorities act upon liberal democratic principles in their administration: political parties not of a Fascist character will be allowed freely to function, though overt acts of public commotion will be suppressed. You will see to it that the high commissioner examines the situation in the local prisons, and take measures to release political prisoners and to bring others promptly to trial. You will require him to remove from office any official whose political conduct has been obnoxious to the United Nations. The repeal of Fascist legislation is not a matter for local action, but will be taken up with the Italian Government by the Allied Commission.

8. It is the primary objective of the Allied Nations to see that Italy makes the fullest possible contribution to the war effort, which involves the maximum utilization of Italian natural resources. In particular the operation of the Sardinian coal mines is a matter of great importance. You will encourage the substitution of liberal industrial relations for the Fascist labor system, but will insist that interruptions of production cannot be permitted in circumstances where the prosecution of the war would be seriously hindered.

9. You will keep Allied Force Headquarters informed of your activities, and will see that the fullest possible intelligence, military, political and economic, is collected and forwarded. It will be your duty to take such immediate steps as may be necessary for military reasons or to secure the enforcement of the conditions of the armistice; you will so far as possible avoid long-range commitments except on instructions from the Allied Commander in Chief. Your conduct of affairs should be such than when Sardinia is brought under the Allied Commission you will be able to carry on without any marked interruption of control.

By Command of General EISENHOWER:

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MAIN HEADQUARTERS
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APO 394 U S ARMY

7 May 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Colonel Simmons

1. I will arrange to send Major Gray, driver and vehicle to you and will signal you when ready. We have a C & R car which I can send now, but have not had release on a jeep. If we can't get the jeep we will have to arrange to ship the C & R car.

2. I am attacking the break down of the WE/TO as submitted. We cannot promote any enlisted men until the TO is approved, nor can we get any more enlisted men assigned. The Supply Accounting Section is shown separate to comply with instructions, but it will operate under your direction and control.

3. Lt Col Rodjianko is just on loan, and is not carried on our TO/WE. He does not fill any of the vacancies on the WE/TO.

Hope to get out to see you soon -

CLAYTON P KERR
Colonel Inf
Commanding U S Contingent

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