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June - Sept 1946

SUBJECT: Allied Wireless Equipment for Carabiniere.

Isol Forces '40 Commission L.O.
(M.I.T.A.)
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12 September 46.

For: G.H.Q. Carabiniere, C.M.

Ref your 152/13/CM dated 6 September 46.

1. The deficiency in issue of 55 No. 19 sets as against the figures given in M.I.T.A. letter 1000/13/19/4 dated 20 May 46 was due to non-availability.

2. The following wireless sets have now been received by you:-

19 No. 052 sets.
66 No. 9 sets. (with associated equipment for 10 sets).
204 No. 19(12) sets.
132 No. 38 sets

and the following accumulators:-

76 x 200 A.H. (Complete sets for 10 052 sets)
76 x 125 A.H.
1972 x 65 A.H.

3. 204 x 65 A.H. accumulators are required for the No. 19 sets, leaving a balance of 204. 19 of the No. 9 sets can be worked with 125 A.H. accumulators. The remainder can be worked with the 200 x 65 A.H. accumulators, as these stations are possible being issued with 6 and the remainder with 4.
It is appreciated that the 65 A.H. accumulator is of rather small capacity for the No. 9 set, but it can, nevertheless, be used quite satisfactorily.

4. No more Allied equipment can now be used to the Radio Reg. Direct, and all future requirements must be obtained through M.I.T.A. You should therefore contact COL MONTY of the "Radio Service" at the War Ministry with a view to obtaining from A.S.A.P.:-

- (1) 1 No. 052 set to replace that spoiled by accident.
- (2) 2 No. 9 sets less associated equipment.
- (3) 55 No. 19 sets if available.
- (4) 125 High-Power units for No. 19 set
- (5) 12 No. 50 sets.
- (6) One 12V set.

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3. 85 x 85 A.H. accumulators are required for the No. 19 set, leaving a balance of 265. 19 of the No. 9 sets can be worked with 125 A.H. accumulators. The remainder can be worked with the 265 x 85 A.H. accumulators, no many stations as possible being issued with 6 and the remainder with 4.

It is appreciated that the 85 A.H. accumulator is of rather small capacity for the No. 9 set, but it can, nevertheless, be used with satisfaction.

4. No more allied equipment can now be used to the Italian Army Direct, and all future requirements must be obtained through A.P.A.D. You should therefore contact the DIRECTOR of the "Military Service" at the War Ministry with a view to obtaining from A.P.A.D.:-

- (1) 1 No. 252 set to replace that spoiled by accident.
- (2) 2 No. 9 sets less accumulated equipment.
- (3) 55 No. 19 sets if available.
- (4) 145 High-Power units for No. 19 set
- (5) 12 No. 50 sets.
- (6) One 1 set.
- (7) More 125 A.H. accumulators if you consider them necessary.
- (8) Anything else you require.

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5. It is regretted that no material help can be given, but any further advice you require will be given most willingly.

W.H. Morecombe, Major,

M.A.T. (Communications), Major,
M.O.D. Signals,
M.A.T.A.

Copies to: "C" (an), M.O.D. M.A.T.A.
"C" (an), M.O.D. M.A.T.A.
Cyprus, M.O.D. M.A.T.A.
Cairo Branch, M.O.D. M.A.T.A.

12/9. TRANSLATION

From : CHQ Carabinieri, CAM.
To : Land Forces Sub Comm. AC/MMIA, Carab. Sec., Rome
(For Major Moroccan)
Subject : Allied W/L sets for Carabinieri.
Date : 6 Sep 46
Ref : 152/13/CAM

Further to the letter Nr 152/4 CAM dated 8 Jul 46, we have to report that:

This HQ has received in June 46 the following materials from the Allied Stores at Pontecagnoli:

- 210 cases containing 420 batteries, 85 AH;
- 19 cases containing 19 300 Watt dynamos;
- 63 cases containing 63 mine detectors Nr. 3.

Total 292 cases.

In August 46 have been received:

- 279 cases containing 93 sets 19;
- 372 cases containing 372 batteries 85 AH. 5058

Total 651 cases.

Accordingly to MMIA letter 0000/6/10/1 dated 20 May 46, 55 more sets¹⁹ should be received.

Batteries 85 AH actually in hands are sufficient for all.

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"19" sets, but 204 more batteries 150 AH are required for the sets 9.

It is pointed out that one of "52" sets has been found completely spoiled by sea-water.

Tests performed with "52" brought to a decision to place at OCHR Radio Centre in Rome a set of 1 KW at least, in order to assure a safe functioning of signals artery, while "52" sets would be supplied to Legions.

Will you consider the possibility of issuing to this GHQ a radio set of about 1 KW aerial power, please?

Sgt: Mario SACCHI, Colonel
Chief of Staff.

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Subject: Wireless Equipment for Communications.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.

(M.S.I.A.)

514/44

12 July 45.

To: G.S.O., M.S.I.A., C.M.F.

1. Ref my 514/3 dated 9 July 45.
2. The following additional wireless equipment was received by the Parabiniers on 10 July:-

Accumulators, 85 A.H.		420
Charging Sets, 300 W.		19
3. Regarding the 85 A.H. accumulators as being in lieu of 170 A.H., the accumulator deficiencies are now as follows:-

234 x 125 or 170 A.H.
334 x 170 A.H.

4. Each 352 set should have 2 300W charging engines. A further 19 of these engines is therefore still required. These engines were not mentioned in my above-quoted letter as the release for them was received on 4 June but it was obviously not worth collecting then whilst such a large amount of other equipment was outstanding. When the release for 19 engines was received it was pointed out to Major DICKIN that the scale was 2 per 352 not 1.5. 33 in all were required. Major DICKIN assured me that the correct scale would be issued, but it seems now that a separate release will be necessary.

W.M.

W.A.2. HONIGSMAN, Major,

1.0.7. Signals,

M.I.A.

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4. Each G52 set should have 2 300W charging engines. A further 19 of these engines is therefore still required. These engines were not mentioned in my above-quoted letter as the release for them was received on 4 June but it was obviously not worth while collecting them whilst such a large amount of other equipment was outstanding. When the release for 19 engines was received it was pointed out to Major MORGAN that the price was 2 per G52 set i.e. 38 in all were required. Major MORGAN assured me that the correct price would be issued, but it seems now that a separate release will be necessary.

W.A.M.

W.A.M. MORGAN, Major,
S.O. 2, Signals,
M.H.I.A.

Copy to: C1, 1st French H.Q., H.M.I.A.

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Subject: Wireless Equipment for Carabinieri

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 Joint Forces Sub Commission A.C.
 (M.H.I.A.)
 X 511/0
9 July 46.

To: C.S.O., C.H.C., C.H.F.

1. Ref telephone conversation BUKKE - HOUQUIN A.M. 5 July.

2. The precise position regarding the wireless equipment recently drawn by the Carabinieri is as follows:-

Type of Set	No. Released	No. Drawn	Deficient
C 52	19	12	-
9	70	68	2
19 (HP)	148	-	148
19 (IP)	105	103	-
33	144	132	12

N.B. (a) The associated equipment for the two missing No. 9 sets was drawn and only the two cases containing the sets are missing.

(b) It is appreciated that no No. 19 (HP) are available and that No. 19 (IP) must be accepted in lieu. It is hoped, nevertheless, that amplifiers will be issued, if need be, singly, as and when they become available.

3. Full associated equipment was drawn for all sets with the exception of accumulators. The position regarding the latter is as follows:-

Type of Set	No. Released	Accumulator Available	Accumulator Deficient
C 52	19	76 x 200 A.H.	76 x 200 A.H.
9	70	240 x 125 or 170 AH	204 x 125 or 170 A.H.
19 (HP)	148	592 x 170 A.H.	592 x 170 A.H.
19 (IP)	103	432 x 85 A.H.	152 x 85 A.H.

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U.S. (a) The associated equipment for the two missing No. 3 sets was drawn and only the two cases containing the sets are missing.

(b) It is appreciated that no No. 19 (IV) are available and that No. 19 (IV) must be accepted in lieu. It is hoped, nevertheless, that amplifiers will be issued, if need be, singly, as and when they become available.

3. Full associated equipment was drawn for all sets with the exception of accumulators. The position regarding the latter is as follows:-

Type of Set	No. Released	Accumulator Unfit for Service	Accumulators Drawn	Accumulators Deficient
G 52	19	76 x 200 A.H.	76 x 200 A.H.	-
G	70	280 x 125 or 170 A.H.	76 x 125 A.H.	204 x 125 or 170 A.H.
19 (IV)	148	592 x 170 A.H.	-	592 x 170 A.H.
19 (IV)	208	432 x 85 A.H.	250 x 85 A.H.	152 x 85 A.H.

It is requested that 170 A.H. accumulators be issued for the 148 No. 19 (IV) so that the sets can be used with amplifiers in due course. A fair percentage of the No. 38 set dry batteries are unserviceable and a supplementary issue of, if possible, new batteries would be appreciated.

4. No electrolyte has been issued. It is estimated that the following quantities will be required:-

(a) For the batteries already received 450 gallons

(b) For the batteries still to come 200 "

Total 1250 "

W.H. Macomber, Major,

R.A.E. AMBROSE, Major,

S.O.R. Signal,

M.H.I.A.

Copy to:- C.S. Branch, R.A.E. M.H.I.A.

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COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CARABINIERI

-Ufficio Collegamenti Armamento e Motorizzazione-
(C.A.M.)

N.152/4-C.A.M. di P/llo

Roma, 11 8 luglio 1946

OGGETTO: Promemoria per la M.M.I.A. -

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - M.M.I.A. - Sezione Carabinieri -

R O M AMATERIALE RADIO RICEVUTO

- n.	19	stazioni	tipo	52	casse	95 + 19
- "	108	"	"	19	"	216
- "	68	"	"	9	"	348
- "	132	"	"	38	"	33
- "	432	batterie accumulatori			"	432
- "	x	batterie pile a secco			"	62
- "	x	valvole trasmettenti			"	2
- "	197	antenne			"	197

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Total, casse
come da ricevuteMATERIALE MANCANTE RISPETTO ALLA LETTERA DELLA M.M.I.A. 20.5.46

- n.	148	stazioni	tipo	19	(la sola cassa stazione)
- "	2	"	"	9	
- "	12	"	"	38	

MATERIALE ANCORA OCCORRENTE

Con gli accumulatori avuti finora, si possono impiantare (4 batterie per stazione, 2 in uso e 2 di riserva in carica.)

- n.	19	stazioni	52
- "	19	"	9
- "	70	"	19

OCCORRONO ANCORA 125

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- " x	valvole trasmettenti	"	2
- " 197	antenne	"	197
		"	-----
		"	1386

Totale casse
come da ricevute

MATERIALE MANCANTE RISPETTO ALLA LETTERA DELLA M.M.I.A. 20.5.46

- n. 148	stazioni	tipo	19
- " 2	"	"	9
- " 12	"	"	38

(la sola cassa stazione)

MATERIALE ANCORA OCCORRENTE

Con gli accumulatori avuti finora, si possono impiantare (4 batterie per stazione, 2 in uso e 2 di riserva in carica.)

- n. 19	stazioni	52
- " 19	"	9
- " 70	"	19

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OCCORRONO ANCORA 125

- 1)-204 batterie ~~125~~ AH per le 9 (51) stazioni
- 2)-744 " 85 AH per le 19 (186) "
- 3)- l'elettrolito per le batterie già avute = 1000 litri circa.
per quelle ancora da venire = 1800 litri. Totale ~~4/11~~ litri 2800.

- 4)- Le stazioni fisse dovranno essere dotate per la carica accumulatori di raddrizzatori ad ossido dalla rete luce.

Sono stati richiesti al Ministero Guerra:

- a)- 120 raddrizzatori ad ossido da 150 Watt
- b)- 30 " " 300 "

- 5)- Le stazioni dei battaglioni mobili e quelle delle legioni montate su autocarri hanno bisogno di gruppi elettrogeni per la carica degli accumulatori, per un totale di circa 150 gruppi elettrogeni.-

IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO C.A.M.

- Rodolfo Celli -

R. Celli

SUBJECT: Wireless Sets for CC.MR.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
M.M.T.A.
X 511/41.
20 June 46.

To: CC.MR Branch.

1. Ref Comando Generale Dell'Arma dei Carabinieri Reali letter 152/4-4 dated 15 June 46 a copy of which was passed to me under cover of your CC.MR/5/10/1 dated 15 June 46.
2. I have communicated with G.H.C., C.M.P. regarding the missing No 19(HF) sets and No 9 set. No 19(HF) sets to scale should have been issued in lieu of the former and are, in any case, available for issue at 567 B.O.D. The HF units will be issued as and when they become available. The under-drawal of one No 9 set is obviously due to a mistake on the part of the party which drew the equipment, and the matter must be sorted out direct between this party and the B.O.D.
3. In order to adjust the deficiency in batteries, it will be necessary to have a detailed list of the entitlements and actual issues of each type of battery.
4. The demand for 564 miscellaneous charging systems cannot be met from British resources. In any case it is considered that the Carabinieri should have no difficulty in arranging battery charging facilities for all their wireless stations, which will be scattered all over Italy, many of them in large towns and cities.

W.A.T. Morecombe, Major,
W.A.T. MORECOMBE, Major,
S.O.R. Signals,
M.M.T.A.

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COMANDO GENERALE DELL'ARMA DEI CARABINIERI REALI
Ufficio Collegamenti Armamento e Motorizzazioni

(C.A.M.)

No 152/1-1

(CAM)

Rome 13 June 1946

re : Allied Radio sets for CC.RR.

to : Land Forces Sub-Commission 12 - MI. R O M E

With reference to your letter of 20 May 1946, I beg to inform that following an examination of the wireless material arrived from Naples we found missing :-

Wireless sets	19 H.P.	No 148
" "	9	" 1

For the working of the stations only 452 batteries have been sent; a further 948 batteries are required.

So that each station may see to the recharging of batteries, 304 miscellaneous charging systems, rectifiers and generating sets are required.

by order

Col.RODOLFO GELLI

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