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 ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
 APO 94 US ARMY

AG-311.2./44

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 26 October 1946

SUBJECT: Message Precedence
 TO : Commanding Officer, Each Unit This Command

1. In many instances, units presently being serviced by Signal and Message Centers, this Headquarters, are violating seriously, established regulations and directive affecting precedences utilize in the transmission of signals. To alleviate these malpractices, the precedences shown in the following chart will be followed:

a. Precedence Chart.

<u>US</u>	<u>British</u>	<u>Procedure</u> <u>Sign.</u>	<u>USE WHEN</u>
DEFERRED	DEFERRED	D	Contents permit delivery morning after day of receipt. Use whenever possible
ROUTINE	NO INDICATION	R	Contents permit transmission and delivery in sequence of receipt and before "D" messages.
PRIORITY	IMPORTANT	P	Contents require transmission and delivery before waiting "D" and "R" messages. This is the highest precedence that can be given administrative traffic. Will Routine Suffice?

OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

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Contents refer to operations only and must be transmitted and delivered before messages of lower precedence. Do not Use for Administrative Traffic.

Contents refer to combat actual or imminent and require immediate transmission before all other messages. Reserve for use in such Emergency by authorized Officers.

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ROUTINE NO INDICATION R

PRIORITY IMPORTANT P

OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE PRIORITY OP

URGENT MOST IMMEDIATE O

b. Only Commanders of separate commands or their specifically designated authorities are authorized use of MOST IMMEDIATE (Br) or URGENT (Am) precedence. Unusual isolated examples may be queried to Signal Officer for necessary authorization. It is emphasized that the precedence "URGENT" is an American classification comparable to British "MOST IMMEDIATE".

2. Signal Officer, this Command, has been instructed to bring to personal attention of Commanding Officer, any future violations.

3. Due to present acute shortage of personnel, signals can only be processed efficiently if justifiable precedences are affixed to outgoing messages. In no instance will unwarranted precedence be given to compensate for administrative delays.

4. It is the direct responsibility of Commanding Officer, each Unit, to bring this letter to the personal attention of all Officers and other ranks involved in the handling or processing of outgoing signals.

5. Violations affected by units not under direct control of this Headquarters, will be forwarded to AFHQ, MTOUSA or GHQ CMF for necessary action.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL DASHER

(sgd) C.B. MURPHY
Major ADG
Adjutant General

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Adjutant General

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and Forces Sub Commission
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File Ref

Date Received

14 Nov 1946

NOTE
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a file of 4-30-46
also 156
14/11

copies to : Ministry of War
Lt-Col BOETT

Yours faithfully,

I have been informed by the Officer Commanding (Lt-Col BOETT) Military Chemical Pharmaceutical Institute BERG that certain Italian Army Medical Mobilization Equipment has been refused release to the Institute because it is contained in German Army Packages etc. I would, however, point out that this Equipment is the exclusive property of the Italian Army and I should be glad if you would kindly investigate and authorize its return to the Pharmaceutical Institute. Further, there is certain German Medical Equipment in Germany which, it is thought, will be of no use to the civilian authorities and which I should be glad if you would also hand over to Lt-Col BOETT.

Dear Sir,

Dr. General
A.R.A.B.
Corse Italia 25

Major W.A. HUBBARD,
HQ R.A.I.A.,
APO W/ 554, CDP

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Subject: POSTINGS - OFFICERS RAMO

GHQ CME

FREEDOM 325

6002/A2

5 SEPT 46

1. The following posting is authorised:-

Ser No.	Personal Number	Rank	Name and Initials	Regt or Corps	From	To
1.	45372	W/Major	M A BUTLER (A/S Gp 1 DV 2)	RAMO	X(4) List	Military Mission to the Italian army as DADMS

2. The movement of this officer has already been arranged through service channels.
3. Effective date of posting will be date of assumption of duty.
4. The relevant casualties will be rendered on the appropriate Army Form direct to GHQ 2nd Echelon CME, quoting this order as authority.
5. A copy of this order will be handed to the officer concerned by HQ Military Mission to the Italian Army.

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J.C. YOUNG (S/Capt)
for Brigadier,
DAC.

DISTRIBUTION:

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Hq Military Mission to the Italian Army.

J. C. Young Capt

JOY/CD.

J.C. YOUNG (S/Capt)
for Brigadier,
DAG.

DISTRIBUTION:

- HQ BTA (for 'A' Branch)
- HQ BTA (for DMS)
- HQ 3 District (for 'A' Branch)
- HQ 3 District (for DMS)
- HQ Military Mission to the Italian Army (2)

- Med CHQ
- CHQ 2nd Echelon ~~CHQ 2nd~~ (Gase tte Section)
- CHQ 2nd Echelon ~~CHQ 2nd~~ (Gase tte Section)

Medical Branch
Land Forces Sub Command
A. C. (MMAA)
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7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

FLORENCE

Tel: 293618-23

Ref: BLU/9

31 August 1946

Subject : Accommodation - Visiting Officers

To : M.M.I.A.

Copies : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Blus

1. As intimated in this HQ. letter BLU/9 dated 29 August the Excelsior Hotel, and garage will close down for British Officers as from Sept. 11 next.
The OR's transit Hotel also close down from the same date.
2. 7 BLU Officer Mess will open w.e.f. 11 Sept next.
The address of this Mess is No.10 Via Lorenzo Magnifico, Piazza della Libertà.
3. Accommodation will be available at the above Mess for visiting British Officers from the 16 Sept next up to a maximum of 2 at any one time.
4. Rations and bedding must be brought.
5. No accommodation is available in the Mess for visiting officers wives or families.
6. Visiting Italian Officers can be accommodated at the Italian officers transit Hotel, Albergo CORONA D'ITALIA - Via Nazionale.
This Hotel supplies sleeping accommodation only, but meals can be obtained at CIRCOLO UFFICIALI - Via Degli Arazieri.
7. British ORs will be accommodated at 7 BLU OR Billet - Villa Primavera No. 4 Piazzale Galileo.

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7. British ORs will be accommodated at 7 BLU OR Billet - Villa Primavera No. 4 Piazzale Galileo.

8. Italian ORs will be accommodated at the POSTO SOSTA - Via TRIPOLI, and meals will be supplied as long as rations are brought. 1334

9. Italian Civilian personnel can be accommodated at the Pensione PRIMAVERA No. 2 Via Finiguerra.

Charge per night L. 150 - L. 200 exclusive of meals.

10. For British Officers wishing to bring their families with them to FLORENCE the following arrangements have been made.

ALBERGO ANGLO AMERICANO (UTRRA Hotel)
Via Garibaldi (Tel: 21900-28432-28433)

(a) Provided full rations per person are handed in to the management:-
Double Room, Inclusive of Meals L. 1600 per day for both persons.

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- (b) If no rations are handed in:-
Double room inclusive of meals for both L. 2220 per day
" " exclusive " " L. 550 " "
- (c) If full rations are handed in:-
Single room inclusive of meals L. 850 per person per day.
- (d) If no rations are handed in:-
Single room inclusive of meals L. 1200 per person per day
" " exclusive " " L. 380 " "

11. Vehicles can be parked either at the officers Mess, the OR's Billet or the ANGLO AMERICAN Hotel, whichever is the more convenient.

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And Foreign Sub Commission
A. C. (AMIA)
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MS
Dept
14 Sep
1946
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D. S. L. GREGSON
Major
DAI & QMG

NOTE:- Para 9 - It is suggested that if HQ. MMIA approached the Ministry of War, they would agree to treat drivers and other Italian civilian employees of MMIA as "militarised" personnel, in which case they could be treated as Italian ORs, see para 8

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Subject: Relinquishment of Python -
Quartermasters R.A.M.C.

Land Forces Sub Commission.
A.C. M.M.I.A. ROME.
Reference: M/1/23
9 Sept 1946.

D.D.M.S.
3 District.

The attached proformas forwarded under your letter
No 651 M of 3 Sept 46 are returned duly completed.

It is regretted that the actual dates on which the
applications for my family to join me in C.M.F. were
submitted cannot be given. Should you require more
definite information on this point no doubt it can be
supplied by 92 (Dr) General Hospital or H.Q. Naples Area.

Henry
Major,
D.A.D.M.S.,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Relinquishment of Pythian -
Quartermasters R.A.M.C.

3 District
Tel. Ext 72
851 N

5 Sept 46

ADMS Naples Area
ADMS 217 Area
DADMS M.M.I.A.

1. The Quartermasters R.A.M.C. shown in Appendix 'A' are known to have been, or about to be, joined by their families. This office has no record of the periods (if any) for which these officers deferred their pythian rights in order to render their families eligible for a passage under Families Scheme 'A'.
2. Prior to 11 March 1946 applications for passage under Families Scheme 'A' were accompanied (when relevant) by an undertaking to defer pythian rights for one year from the date of arrival of the family in C.M.F. Subsequent to 11 March 1946 applications have been accompanied by a certificate of relinquishment of Pythian rights for one year from the date of application.
3. In order to assist in future planning and postings, please forward nominal rolls, in duplicate, to this office under the headings shown in Appendix 'B'.

Medical Branch
and Forces Sub Commission
A. C. (MMIA)

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W. Hawthorne
(W. HAWTHORNE) Major
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.

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APPENDIX 'A'

NAPLES AREA

Major A.W. LANGLEY (99208) R.A.M.C.
Capt. C.H. HOSKINS (202660) "
Capt. J.L. BENFELD (309012) "

217 AREA

Lt. S.J. SEAMAN (329572) R.A.M.C.

M.H.I.A.

Major L.J. HARVEY (231112) R.A.M.C.

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RANK NAME & INITIALS

PERSONAL
NUMBER

DATE OF EMBARKATION

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WHETHER FYNICK DEPT
OR NOT

(on commencement
present tour)

MAJOR HARVEY. L.J.

28112.

11.3.43.

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APPENDIX

REMARKS (U.K. advancement tour)	WHETHER PITHOI DEFERRED OR NOT	DATE OF APPLICATION FOR WHAT PERIOD	DATE OF APPLICATION FOR PASSAGE OF FAMILY	DATE OF APPLICATION OF FAMILY UNIT
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3. 143.	NO.	N.A.	ORIGINAL APPLICATION TO HQ. NAPLES AREA OCTOBER. 1945.	MARCH 1946
			SECOND APPLICATION MADE IN LATE NOV. OR EARLY DEC. 1945	

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

MEDICAL

Tel : 66504
23 July 46

Q. 221

SUBJECT: Q (Movements) GHQ CEF Working Instructions
No. 47 "TORCHLIGHT" Train Arrangements.-

Distribution 'R'

1. ~~Sunday~~ A special "Staff" train will run from NAPLES to UDINE every Wednesday commencing 18th. August 1946 and from UDINE to NAPLES every Wednesday commencing 27th. August 1946.

2. The name of the train will be "TORCHLIGHT" and will consist of the following coaches etc :

- 2 Sleeping Cars
- 1 Restaurant Car
- 1 1st. Class Coach
- 1 Baggage Van
- 1 Motor Car Van (for two cars).

Additional motor car van for two cars can be arranged at three days notice. Maximum accommodation is 22 Sleeping Berths and Seating accommodation for batmen.

3. (a) Applications for accommodation Northbound trips will be made to " " Branch 3 District by 1200 hrs each Friday. Berths will be allocated by 1600 hrs each Friday and information will be available from 3 District at 1730 hrs each Friday, telephone : NAPLES 10935 or after 1800 hrs : Duty Officer : NAPLES 10200 Ext. 3.

(b) Applications for accommodation on Southbound trips will be made to " " Branch 3 District by 1000 hrs each TUESDAY.

(c) Details of officers, number of batmen, drivers, etc. and number and types of cars will be required.

4. Timings of this special train are attached at Appendix "A".
ITALS WILL BE SERVED EN ROUTE.

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accommodation for batmen.

3. (a) Applications for accommodation Northbound trips will be made to "A" Branch 3 District by 1200 hrs each Friday. Berths will be allocated by 1600 hrs each Friday and information will be available from 3 District at 1730 hrs each Friday, telephone : NAPLES 10935 or after 1800 hrs : Duty Officer : NAPLES 10200 Ext.3.
- (b) Applications for accommodation on Southbound trips will be made to Rear HQ XIII Corps (A Branch) by 1000 hrs each TUESDAY.
- (c) Details of officers, number of batmen, drivers, etc. and number and types of cars will be required.
4. Timings of this special train are attached at Appendix "A".
MEALS WILL BE SERVED EN ROUTE.
5. Movements NAPLES and Q (Movements) Rear XIII Corps will be advised of authorised bookings by Q (Mov) GPO and A Branch Rear XIII Corps respectively.
6. If train is not booked to capacity when booking closes on Saturday and Tuesday, Womens Services of Officer status and Category A wives may be given accommodation on Torghlught on a "space-available" basis at the discretion of Mov Area concerned.
7. Rations will be provided.
8. Train will be staffed by Wagon Lit Coy personnel on scale of 6 per trip.

FORCES G.P.C. COMM. (Signed) W.H. HUGHES
A.C. (MILIA) Lt. Col.,
AA & QMG

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

Q 221

Tel: 66504
24 August 46

SUBJECT: 'Q' Movements GHQ CMF Working instruction
No 48 'TORCHLIGHT' Train movements

DISTRIBUTION 'R'

Reference this HQ letter Q 221 dated 16 August 46.

1. The following amendments will be made:

PARA. 1. Delete	:	"every Wednesday commencing 18 Aug 46"
Substitute	:	"every Sunday commencing 18 Aug 46"
Delete	:	"every Wednesday commencing 20 Aug 46"
Substitute	:	"every Wednesday commencing 21 Aug 46"

(signed) J. KELLY
Major
DAQMG

'Q' Distribution : LIST 'A'

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(signed) J. KELLY
Major
DAQMG

'Q' Distribution : LIST 'A'

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Land Forces Sub Commission
A C (MIA)
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1/Capt
File Ref
28 AUG 1946

7 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
FLORENCE
Tel : 293618-23

Subject : P.O.L.

To : M.M.I.A.

Copies : 1.2.3.4.5.6.8.9.10.11.12 B.L.Us

Ref : BLU/57

20 August 1946

This HQ letter BLU/57 dated 2 August refers.

1. Arrangements have been made for this unit to operate its own petrol pump and storage tank.
2. The petrol is situated in the barracks of No 7 Admin Transport Coy, FORTEZZA DA BASSO, FLORENCE.
3. The NCO i/c of this HQ, will be present at the petrol pump and will issue both petrol and lubricants at the following times:-

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MEDICAL

Subject : P.O.L.

To : M.K.I.A.

Copies : 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10,11,12 P.L.Us

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3. The NCO i/o MT of this HQ, will be present at the petrol pump and will issue both petrol and lubricants at the following times:-

Mon and Sat both inclusive

0800 - 0930 hrs

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Sundays

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4. As only small stocks are held, visiting Officers requiring P.O.L. are requested to notify their approximate requirements at least 48 hour in advance.

'Q' DISTRIBUTION: LIST 'A'

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D.S.L. GREGSON
Major
DAA & QIG

Commissioner

Seen

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3rd

4th

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

Q.211

Tel: 66504
19 August 46

Subject : Travel facilities for military personnel
on civilian passenger trains

DISTRIBUTION 'R' (British)

1. Effective 1st August 46 a "Rapido Elettromotrice" (1st Class) was introduced daily between ROME and REGGIO with connections to SICILY.
2. Reservations can be arranged by Q(Mov) Liaison Office Rome for Officers travelling on duty between ROME and NAPLES. Applications will be submitted to Q(Mov) Liaison Office ROME (Tel ROME 843191 ext 9381) at least 48 hours prior to desired date of travel.
3. Timings are as follows:

ROME (Termini) dep 0620
NAPLES (Mergellina) arr 0957
NAPLES (Mergellina) dep 1852
ROME (Termini) arr 2220

'Q' Distribution: LIST "A"

Signed W.H. HUGHES
Lt Col
AA & QMG

Medical Branch
and Forces Sub Committee
A. C. [initials] 1325
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FILE 8

Subject: Refugees of Lytham

Lead Person Sub Commission,
A.C. H.M.I.A. B.M.
Reference: 11/1/8
1st August 1946.

R.M.S.
Medical Directorate,
G.H.Q. C.I.B.

17567 Capt. (C) H.A. STEPHENS, R.A.M.C.

With reference to your letter No. M. 2004 dated 24th July 1946.

As Capt. Stephens is on detached duties in Florence the question of Lytham has already been taken up with "A" Branch this H.Q., and the following ruling was given by G.H.Q., in their letter No. 4327/A-4 dated 28th July 1946 :-

'2' "The geographical location of the individual must be the guiding factor."

In view of the above it is understood that Capt. Stephens will not be eligible for Lytham until October 1946, no action is therefore being taken under para 2 of the above quoted letter.

Harvey
Major,
H.A. G.H.Q.,
H.M.I.A.

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Copy to:- R.A.C. G.H.Q. Sub Section.
Capt. H.A. Stephens,
c/o 7 British Liaison Unit,
FLORENCE.

Informal:- "A" Branch.

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Subject:- Deferment of Python.

Medical Directorate,
G.H.Q. C.H.P.
H.200.
24th. July 1946.

H.Q.
M.H.I.A.

Capt (QM) H.A. SEPTENS (178567) R.A.F.C.

1. No replacement is available for the above named officer, who is eligible for Python in August 1946.
2. Should it be considered necessary to retain the services of this officer until a replacement becomes available, action should be taken under the terms of GPO 825/45 Para 11 as amended by GHI GHP letter 2156/A-1 dated 11 July 1946 for the Python of Capt. SEPTENS to be deferred for 2 months wef 27 August 1946.
3. Please notify this Directorate of the action taken.

EMM/SR.

(Sgd) - - -
Brigadier, R.A.F.

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Copy to D.A.G. G.H.Q., 2nd Echelon.

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Tel No Valjean 56.

SDS.

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HQ,
Land Forces Sub Commission,
AC (MIA) DADMS (Rome).

15 Jul 46.

MED

Subject:- Postings, ORs - RAMC.

Reference your M/1/2 dated 2 July 46.

1. It is regretted that a Sgt Dispenser is not immediately available for posting to Land Forces Sub Commission.
2. Note has been made of your remarks and all possible will be done to provide a replacement before release of Sgt Florence falls due.



CMF.

Medical Branch

GHQ 2nd Echelon.

Copy to:- GHQ CMF - DMS.

Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (MIA)

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DADMS

S/Capt.

File Ref

Date Received

M/1
17 JUL 1946

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Subject: Relief Posting for P.C.S.

Land Forces Sub Commission,
A.C. (M.M.I.A.). R.M.S.
Reference: H/1/2
2 July 1946.

O.S.E.
O.H.Q.
O.M.F.

No. 74066AS. Sjt. FIANCE, A.C. R.A.M.S.

The above named Pharmacist is employed checking captured Medical Stores for handing back to the Italian Army. A considerable amount (approx 110 tons) of such stores is awaited from Germany and vouchers for additional stores still continue to be received.

This M.D. is due for release with Group 37 and in addition - should his group be D.O.V. - he is due for Pythia not later than August of this year.

May a relief be posted as soon as possible, please, to enable Sjt. Fiance to hand over prior to his departure.

H. Harvey
Major,
D.A.D.M.S.,
R.M.I.A.

Copy to: D.A.D.M.S. Medical Directorate,
O.S.E. O.M.F.
Camp Commandant,
H.Q. M.M.I.A.

FILE

Inter²al "A""MEDICAL" Branch,M/1/12 June 1946.Reference report dated 24 June 1946. from 11 B.I.U.

1. I have approached the Medical Directorate on this subject previously - special reference being made to No. 11 Terr. Cml. - but have been met with the same story of "no money" every time. The position in 11 Terr. Cml. is not typical of the whole of Italy as in most hospitals that I have visited the C.O., has got a library together from local sources and in one instance there was a cinema, the hiring of films being paid for from the meagre P.R.I. I will make further representations to the Medical Directorate and also give them some suggestions to work on.
2. Although the San Lorenzo Gelli Hospital does not come under our jurisdiction - it is a civilian hospital in the eyes of M.M.I.A. - I will draw the attention of the Medical Directorate to the fact that this type of hospital also requires Welfare facilities. The emphasis laid on occupational therapy and rehabilitation gives me the impression that most of the trouble lies in the hospitals mentioned in para 2 above, about which we can do nothing.

Harvey
Major,
D.A.D.N.S.,
M.M.I.A.

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