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TRANSLATION

: M of War

Ref : 2/8419/R

: MMIA

Dtd : 18 Dec 45

Subject : 519 Field Hospital.

With reference to letter L/5/3590 dtd 13 Dec 45.

We hereby communicate that substitution of Captain (M.O.) Ezio CASTELLI, Director of the 519 Field Hospital, by Captain (M.O.) Mario GIUVA, Regular Army, has ~~be~~ already been ordered.

The Medical Directorate of the Military Territorial Hq, Bologna has been requested to clarify Captain CASTELLI's position.

Further information will be forwarded as soon as available.

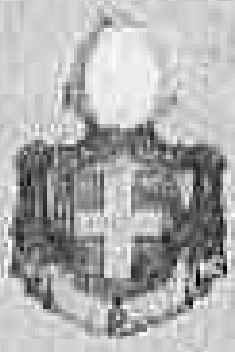
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The Director General,
sgd. S. Fadda.

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q/a  Roma 18/12 1945

Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE DI SANITA' MILITARE

LA LAND FORCES SUB
COMMISSION (A.C.) ITALIA
R O M A

Divisione I^ *Sec* II^
Det. N. 2/8419/R *Allegato* *Rispostato f. del*
Oggetto: 519° Ospedale da Campo *Dir. TRAN. A. C. N*

e, per conoscenza:
AL GABINETTO
ALL'UFFICIO COORDINAMENTO

Rif.f. N/5/3590 del 13 dicembre 1945, si comunica che è stata già disposta la sostituzione del Direttore del 519° O.C. capitano medico cpl. CASTELLI Ezio - col perigrado in s.p.e. GIUVA Mario.

Nei riguardi della posizione del Capitano CASTELLI sono stati chiesti chiarimenti alla Direzione di Sanità del Comando Militare Territoriale di Bologna.

Si fa riserva di ulteriori comunicazioni.

Medical *Land Forces Sub Commission*
A. C. (A.C.S.) IL DIRETTORE GENERALE
(S.E.dda)
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S/Capt _____
File Ref M/5/3643
Date Received 27/12

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Subject: 519 Italian Evacuation Hospital

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (BMIA)
ROME
M/5/3590
13 Dec 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare

519 Italian Evacuation Hospital. FORGE

The above named unit has been working for the Displaced Persons and Repatriates Sub Commission, A.C. since June 1945.

It has been reported to this office that the O.C. of this hospital, Capt. Castelli (r Esio went on leave on 1st August 45 without properly handing over his responsibilities and has not yet returned to duty.

As this hospital is unlikely to be freed from its present tasks in the immediate future, it is requested that the absence of the O.C. may please be investigated and another O.C. appointed.

Your notification of the final settlement in this matter will be appreciated.

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/RBC

[Signature]
Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (BMIA)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

4 December 1945

DER/709/M/D

Tel. 478009

SUBJECT : 519 Field Hospital - Discipline.
TO : M.M.I.A.
(Attn. A.D.M.S.)

M/5/3495

1. Further to this H.Q. letter DER/709/M/D dated 26 November 1945.
2. Herewith report on the apprehension of five soldiers of the above mentioned hospital received from Officer Commanding Italian Troops, "E" Group Refugee Camps, who carried out the investigation.

For the Director :

E.A. Bloomfield
E.A. BLOOMFIELD
Capt. R.A.M.C.
Medical Branch

M/5/3559

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Translation

H.Q. "E" GROUP REFUGEE CAMPS

SUBJECT : Larceny of material from Colony "PLACENZA" - Misano Mare (Riccione)
TO : Col. SAVINI
Liaison Officer
ROME.
for information :
H.Q. Italian Refugee Camps
MILAN.

Reference your signal 503 dated 28 November 1945.

Acting on instructions received from Lt. Col Oldfield, I proceeded to 519 Field Hospital, following some complaints received from the Allied Command at Riccione and Forli.

I have noticed disorder and scarce discipline; the Lieutenant i/c of the hospital has been by me punished for the above. Immediate instructions were issued by me to all personnel concerned to maintain the highest standard of discipline.

I was informed by the Director of the hospital, Lt. QUAGLIA, that on the 7th October 1945 the hospital had been transferred from Milan to Misano Mare taking over the premises of the Colony "PLACENZA".

On the 30th and 31st October 1945, the u/m soldiers, during the dinner time, removed all glasses from the windows of the premises, hiding them in their kit bags.

Cpl. ZARAGLIA Arnaldo
Pte. CESSA Ernes
Pte. LUCCHINI Luigi
Pte. FILLARZZI Antonio

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On the 30th and 31st October 1945, the u/m soldiers, during the dinner time, removed all glasses from the windows of the premises, hiding them in their kit bags.

Opl. ZABAGLIA Arnaldo
Pte. CESSA Ernes
Pte. LUCCHINI Luigi
Pte. FILIPPAZZI Antonio
Pte. BROGA Francesco

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The Allied Commandant of the Riccione Area, Mr. LAMBERT, was very upset for such a larceny and I immediately ordered the a/m to be charged with larceny and tried by a War Tribunal at Bologna.

In the same time I instructed the CC RR at Forli to carry out investigations in order to trace and locate the stolen property, and if any civilians involved they would be charged with complicity.

On the 12th November 1945, The British Town Major Mr. LAMBERT and Col. Oldfield were by me duly informed as to what had been done to punish the soldiers in question.

I have nothing further to state. A further inspection will be carried out by me at Forli and Misano Mare in a future date.

THE OFFICER COMMANDING "E" GROUPE ITALIAN
REFUGEE CAMPS
(Capt. Alfonso Gorrà)

Subject : 519 Italian Field Hosp.
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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMA)

NOTE

M/5/5506

25 Nov. 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

The above named Italian Field Hospital has been working for the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Comm. of A.C.

The attached documents concerning this hospital are forwarded for information and such further action as you wish to take.

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/LJP.

Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMA)

TRANSLATION

FROM: CO.MI.PR.I.H.Q., Emilia Camps Group REF: 896
TO: Mr. Lambert, Allied H.Q., No. 87 Refugee Camp DATE: 12.11.45

SUBJECT: Transfer of 519 Italian Field Hospital

In compliance with the wishes of Colonel Oldfield I carried out an inspection of 519 Italian Field Hospital and for the troubles complained of a denunciation has been made to Bologna Military Tribunal on a charge of theft (article 230, section 2 of the Military Penal Code) against the following 5 men:

- L/Cpl.	ZABAGLIA	Arnaldo
- Pte.	CESSA	Ernes
- Pte.	LUCCHINI	Luigi
- Pte.	FILIPAZZI	AGOSTINO
- Pte.	PROTA	Francesco

The Ferli CC.RR have been instructed to make further enquiries at Misano Mare, both to try and trace the stolen stores and to establish whether other troops and possibly civilians, may have been involved

We shall inform you fully upon the completion of the enquiries.

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Sgd. ALFONSO GORI

Capt.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DFR/709/11ED

Tel. 478009

26 November 1945

SUBJECT : 519 Italian Field Hospital - discipline.
TO : M.M.I.A.
(for attention of A.D.M.S.) ✓

1. At the request of Lt. Col. Oldfield, Commander of "E" Group D.P. & R.S.C., as a result of bad discipline amongst the troops of the above mentioned hospital, Lt. Col. Savini, Military Commandant of Italian Refugee Camps instigated an inspection, the consequences of which were that five soldiers of the unit have been apprehended in connection with the theft of certain hospital stores.

2. A copy of a letter from the Officer who carried out the inspection is attached herewith.

For the Director :

Copy to : Lt. Col. Savini,
CO.MI.FR.I.

E.A. Bloomfield
E.A. BLOOMFIELD
Capt. R.A.M.C.
Medical Branch.

*Translate please
attached letter*

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To: Mr. Lambert, Allied HQ. No. 87 Refugee Camp. Date: 12.11.45.
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Pte CESSA, Ennes
Pte LUCCHINI, Luigi
Pte FILIPAZZI, Agostino
Pte PROTA, Trancesco

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sgd. ALFONSO GORI

Capt.

Ete FROLA, Francesco

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sgt. ALFONSO GORI

Capt.

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*Copy of letter
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under Reg. 107 (p. 7)*

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REESTABLISHMENT SUB-COMMISSION

DIR/709/MED

Tel. 478009

27 November 1945

SUBJECT : 519 Field Hospital - discipline.

TO : CO.M.I.P.R.I.

Reference letter No. 396 dated 12 November 1945 from
Comandante Gruppo Campi Italia.

1. Please forward further particulars of the circumstances
appertaining to the apprehension of five soldiers of the a/n hospital.
2. The A.D.M.S. of M.M.I.A. requires this information.

For the Director :

E.A. Bloomfield 4127
E.A. BLOOMFIELD
Capt. R.A.M.C.
Medical Branch.

Copy to : N.M.I.A.
(Attn. A.D.M.S.)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION

DET/709/150

Tel. 478009

27 November 1945

SUBJECT : Inspection - 519 Field Hospital.

TO : Comando Militare
Campi Profughi Italiani.

1. It is confirmed that the inspection of 519 Field Hospital carried out by one of the officers under your command was requested by Lt. Colonel E.A. OLDFIELD, Commander of 'E' Group D.P.R.S.C., Bologna.

2. The facts contained in the letter No. 896 of 12 November 1945 from Commandante Gruppo Campi Emilia are being communicated to M.M.I.A.

For the Director,

E.A. Bloomfield
E.A. BLOOMFIELD,
Capt. R.A.M.C.
Medical Branch.

Copy to : M.M.I.A.
(For attention of ADMD).

TRADUZIONE

OGGETTO : Ispezione - Ospedale da Campo 519.

1. Si conferma che l'ispezione dell'Ospedale da Campo 519 eseguita da uno degli ufficiali sotto il vostro Comando, fu richiesta dal Ten. Col. E.A. OLDFIELD, Comandante del Gruppo 'E' D.P.R.S.C. Bologna.

2. I fatti contenuti nella lettera No. 896 del 12 Novembre 1945 dal comandante Gruppo Campi Emilia, si stanno comunicando alla M.M.I.A.

M/5/3499

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From : No of War

To : Directorate Gen.-Officer Personnel.

Ref : 2/7165/2

Dtd : Oct 45

Subject : 522 Auxiliary Camp Hospital.

Further to letter No/2/6211/R dtd 20 Sep 45, we forward herewith enclosed, the report from H.Q. 209 Division regarding the failings found in the functioning of the 522 Auxiliary Camp Hospital, by the Allied Authorities.

The writer has approached the Military Medical ~~Directorate~~ ^{Territoriale} of Bolzano to arrange for the immediate posting to the said hospital, of Captain-Medical Officer, Branslao RADICH, nominated as director, and also of 2/Lt - Chemist - Tommaso MORANO; the latter was formerly posted to the Military Hospital of Verona, and is now at the Bolzano hospital, having arrived with the reinforcements from the disbanded 55th Infirmary, in substitution of 2/Lt - Chemist - Alberto DANSELM.

We beg the Directorate General kindly to ~~authorize~~ approve of:

- the disciplinary measures proposed against Captain -Medical Officer (officer-reserve) Ettore CAZZULLO by H.Q. 209 Division;
- the posting of 2/Lt. -chemist- Tommaso MORANO, pre-arranged by this Directorate General.

p.p. the Director General,

Colonel, M.O.

substitution of 2/Lt -Chemist- Alberto DANSELM.

We beg the Directorate General kindly to ~~examine~~ approve of:

- the disciplinary measures proposed against Captain -Medical Officer (officer-reserve) Ettore CAZZULLO by H.Q. 1209 Division;
- the posting of 2/Lt.-chemist- Tommaso MORANO, pre-arranged by this Directorate General.

p.p. the Director General, *21/25/343*
Colonel, M.O.
sgd. A. Manfredi. *M/S/3143*

From: M of War Division 1 Section 2

To: MMIA

Ref: 2/7195/R

Dtd: 24 Oct 45

the above is forwarded for your information, and further to
letter No. 2/6210/R dtd 20 Sep 45.

t the Director General,
sgd. S. Fadda.

M/S/3216
M/S/3145
M/S/3143
See also

TRANSLATION

From : M of War HQ 209 Div
To : M of War Military Medical Directorate
(Ref Letter No. 2/6181/R: dtd 20 Sep 45)

Ref : 04/5783
Dtd : 13 Oct 45

Subject : 522 Auxiliary Camp Hospital.

From enquiries made at the 522 Auxiliary Camp Hospital, it appears that :

1°)- The report of Major Ford of the British Army, refers to a visit made during the 2nd fortnight of the month of August 1945, when the hospital was not under the command of this H.Q.

Captain (Medical officer) Ettore Gazzullo is responsible for the bad functioning of the hospital. On the 10th of September, 1945, he was discharged through orders of this Ministry (Letter No 3/13235/Mov dtd 27 July 45). I propose that the said officer should be awarded 10 days' close arrest for the following reasons:-

"While Director of an Auxiliary Camp Hospital, he did not exact from his staff, the minimum activity required for the normal functioning of the said hospital, despite the intervention and advice put forward by a British Medical Officer, who was superintendent of a repatriated persons Camp, for which the hospital functioned."

2°)- From that time, up to the present, the position of ~~the~~ the 522 Hospital has improved, but it is still a long way from normality, because the Hospital lacks a capable Director.

In particular, it has been observed that:

a) General Hygienic conditions are quite satisfactory, although ~~the~~

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20)- From that time, up to the present, the position of ~~the~~ the 522 Hospital has improved, but it is still a long way from normality, because the Hospital lacks a capable Director.

In particular, it has been observed that:

a) General Hygienic conditions are quite satisfactory, although ~~all~~ presenting some deficiencies pointed out to the present Director, ~~they~~ show a considerable progress from the state of things which existed, presumably, at the time of Major Ford's report. ⁴¹²⁴

Replacement is necessary, of the stove for disinfection by steam, which is of Allied origin, and which is completely unserviceable and not repairable.

b) It is necessary to repair the barracks, in which, at present many panes are missing from the windows.

The Director of the Hospital has been urged to take the necessary steps.

c) The pharmacy of the hospital functions irregularly. It lacks a proper ~~and~~ ^{proper} issue and receipt register for medicinals. 2/Lt. (Chemist) Alberto DANSEIMI, sent on leave, for ^{and} compassionate family

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reasons, on the 3 September 1945, has not yet returned, the Director of the hospital has been approached to proceed with denouncing this officer to the Military War Tribunal as a deserter.

Preceding, and during the period in which Captain CAZZULLO was employed as Director, 2/Lt. DANSELMINI, showed:

- small interest in the efficient working of the pharmacy;
- the highest concern in furthering his personal interests.

3°)- As I have said above, Captain CAZZULLO is responsible for the bad functioning of the Hospital. He has performed no action to improve the living-conditions of the said hospital, and has not exacted from his staff, the highest standard of efficiency.

I am obliged to point out that, in the course of one month, there have been, ~~in~~ the Directorate of ~~the~~ the hospital, three officers replaced, these being: Captain CAZZULLO, substituted by 2/Lt. MANTELLINI on the 10 Sep 45; 2/Lt MANTELLINI substituted by Lieutenant 5 Medical Officer) Bruno AMIRANTE, who, in his turn will be replaced by Captain Doctor Stanislao RADICH, coming from the disbanded Auxiliary Camp; Hospital at Bolzano, but not yet having arrived (letter No. 3/17604 dtd 1 Oct 45).

In order to eliminate, in a decisive manner, the difficulties complained of, and to put the hospital in a position which will enable it to function normally, it is absolutely necessary that Captain Stanislao RADICH should reach the 522 Hospital as soon as possible and, ~~in the event of~~ ^{in the event of} he ~~should~~ ^{hesitates} not be released, to instruct that another Captain (M.O.) capable of the post, should be ~~admitted to~~ ^{offered to} the said hospital.

General Comdg Div.

sgd: R. Olmi.

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General Comdg Div.

sgd; R. Olmi.

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1/10/45

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INCOMING SIGNAL

FROM REAR 13 CORPS

131540 Oct

TO DPM BASE

INFO AFHQ USFET (MAIN) USFET (REAR) MMIA

REF: 1498

SECRET

REF F 47349 -Q- 1489 FROM MARCOUX (.)
ONE (.) CONFIRMED THAT 13 CORPS WILL ACCEPT SLOVENES AT UDINE FOR DEMOBILIZATION BY THE ITALIAN ARMY (.)
TWO (.) AFHQ RULES DO NOT AUTHORIZE DEMOBILIZATION OF SLOVENES IN AMERICAN UNIFORMS (.) AMERICAN BLOUSES TROUSERS TO BE EXCHANGED FOR A DYED BRITISH JACKET AND TROUSERS (.) ALL OTHER WEARING APPARELS, TOILET ARTICALS, MESS GEAR TO BE RETAINED BY SLOVENES (.)
THREE (.) AMERICAN OVERCOATS, HEADGEARS, WILL BE WITHDRAWN UNLESS PROVISIONS ARE MADE FOR DYING PRIOR TO THEIR DEMOBILIZATION AT UDINE (.)
FOUR (.) TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY AND MEET THE 13 CORPS REQUIREMENT RECOMMEND THAT THE SLOVENES BE DESPATCHED WITHOUT AMERICAN OVERCOATS UNLESS PROVISION CAN BE MADE FOR DYING, AND ISSUE TWO BLANKETS IN LIEU OF OVERCOATS (.)
FIVE (.) RECOMMEND THAT ROSTER OF SLOVENES DISPATCHED AT UDINE INDICATE CLEARLY THEIR DESIRE OF GOING EAST OR WEST OF THE MORGAN LINE, FURNISHED IN QUADRUPLICATE (.)
SIX (.) THAT IMMEDIATE CONTACTS BE MADE WITH BRITISH LEGATION IN BERNE CAPT HAYNEMAN FOR FULL CLEARANCE OF SLOVENES TRAINS FROM SWITZERLAND BY ANNERPASSE STARTING ON OR ABOUT 23 OCT (.)
SEVEN (.) DIFFICULTY WILL ARISE IN THE EVACUATION OF HOSPITALIZED SLOVENES (.)
NO FACILITIS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA FOR THEIR RECEPTION

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Translation

From: Mr. of War

Ref. No. 731/M.L.

To: Addressees as per original
MMIA

Date: Oct. 1, 1945

Subject: Transmission of circular.

We enclose, for your information,
one circular No. 731/M.L. dated Sept. 28, 1945
re: military personnel entitled to hospitaliza-
tion.

Signed: S. Fadda

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A" Please see & return.

P/A 4122

Translation

From: Ministry of War

No. 731/M.L.

To: All Territorial Military Commands

Date: Sept. 28, 1945

Subject: Military personnel entitled to hospitalization.

With reference to inquiries received by this Ministry from various H.Q.'s and outlying agencies concerning hospitalization rights of military personnel not actually on military duty and, more particularly, of ex PW's, this office directs as follows:

All those who are in the position indicated below will be eligible for Army hospitalization:

- 1) Convalescent furlough, whether or not the illness was contracted while on duty and whether it preceded or followed the soldier's induction into the service.
- 2) Special 60-day repatriation furlough (ex PW's or ex concentration camp inmates, whatever their military class)

The following, on the other hand, are not entitled to hospital care:

- 1) those who are permanently discharged, released for an unlimited period of time and released temporarily for an unlimited period.
- 2) those who are on an unlimited furlough.
- 3) those who are on a special furlough without pay pending release from the service. 4121
- 4) those who are on a special furlough without pay, while awaiting possible reemployment.
- 5) those who are on a renewable special furlough

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without pay.

- 6) those who are on a special furlough while awaiting their retirement allowances.

In view of the foregoing, and in order to prevent soldiers returning from captivity from losing their right to hospitalization for the treatment of diseases, lesions and wounds contracted or suffered during captivity, the above HQ's are requested to ensure that all returnees without exception are carefully inspected by the proper medical officer at billeting centers and military districts, not only before they are sent on the special repatriation furlough, but also, and especially, before their release from the service or before they go on special leave without pay, either for release or for possible reemployment, since such men, as specified above, lose the right to Army hospitalization once they are placed in such a position.

Medical Directories are ~~requested~~ to ensure that medical officers under their command comply with the above rules in full, stressing the importance which the medical inspection

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assumes in such cases, also from a social standpoint, the inspection should therefore be painstaking and thorough, even in the absence of manifest diseases, since the individuals concerned may wish to simulate a state of physical well-being in order to rejoin their families as soon as possible.

It is understood that there will be no change in the instructions concerning the type of hospital (or civilian or Army ration) to which military personnel is to be committed according to rank.

Signed: S. Fadda

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FROM : SIGNED DISSEMINATE SITE REPORT

TO : AFSA FOR ALEXANDER

INFO : ALONG ROAD DELTA BASE SECTION THEATER SERVICE FORCE REAR.

SECRET.

Subject is repatriation of Italian Army personnel of Slav origin. At present there are in FRANCE 4,500 SLAVS who have given faithful service to the DELTA BASE SECTION. Up to date they have received good treatment and medical care and U.S. authorities request that this treatment be continued during their journey home and have asked if arrangements can be made for this personnel to travel by the following route in groups of 1,000 - from ARDENNES, FRANCE through (+) SWITZERLAND and onward to TRIESTE via MILAN and VENICE. These persons are located in the TRIESTE area.

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Subject: 22 Field Hospital

Land Forces Sub Comm

A.C. (DMIA)

ROME

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27 Sept. 45

Displaced Persons and
Repatriation Sub Comm. (AC.)

Ref your DER/709/Med of 14. September 45.

Herewith two copies of translation of a letter from the
Italian Director General of Medical Services



A. W. J. Cooper,

Staff Capt.

for A.D.M.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (DMIA)

/AJP.

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TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War.

To: H.Q. 209 Div.

Subject: 522 Field Hospital.

Ref: 2/6181/R.

Date: 20/9/45.

We forward attached letter No. M/5/3145 dated the 17/9/45 from M.M.I.A., dealing with the deplorable untrustworthiness in the functioning of the 522 Field Hospital operating under your Command.

While this Ministry is making the necessary arrangements to replace the director of the a/m hospital by someone more capable and active, you are requested to proceed with the necessary enquiries and to issue instructions with a view to eliminating the inconveniences reported. XXXX You are also requested to take the necessary disciplinary action against the persons responsible and report same to this Ministry.

Fadda.

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From/ General Medical Directorate

To/ M.M.I.A.

Ref/ 2/6210/R

Date/ 20/9/45.

the above is forwarded for your information.

Fadda

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Translation

From: Ministry of Defense MMIA LO

Ref. No. 42

Date, Sept. 12, 1945

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Subject: Office memorandum.

Notes on meeting of Sept. 12, 1945

(Gen. Faldut, Lt. Col. Holman, Col. Jones, Col. Murphy,
Lt. Basilisco)

1. Letter from S.M.R.E. which recommends a reduction of ^{medical} personnel with combat groups, but not with Artillery regiments. Since artillery regiments now consist of 6 groups, 6 medical officers are believed to be necessary. I provided such groups are not attached to the Infantry thus enabling them to avail themselves of the Infantry medical service. Since the groups are not always attached to the Infantry, Gen. Faldut insists on keeping the 6 medical officers. Col. Holman remarks that it is a question of peace time war establishments. Gen. Faldut concurs and agrees to a war establishment of 1 (medical) director and 2-3 medical officers for peacetime stations.

2. Convalescent hospitals. The agreement reached with Gen. Faldut was approved by the ADMS, MMIA, but not by the S.M. of the High Command, who issued different instructions. The granting of convalescent hospitals (to "military patients") would therefore be governed at this time by the same rules which prevailed before said

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3. Bologna?

There is no Army hospital there.

Col. Holman has been advised by A.M.G. that the
matter would be taken care of shortly, when British
authorities replace American authorities who have
now requisitioned the building.

Col. Bianchini complained of the lack of an eye-doctor,
ear doctor, and of the fact that the personnel is not
up to strength.

German Medical Depot.

4.

Col. Holman informs us that Col. Scotti cannot

(2) actually exercise his authority because the Americans of the 5TH Army have the upper hand. Transfer of that area to the 2nd British District is envisaged. Capt. Adlam (British) took responsibility in the name of the 2nd District, since August 15TH.

A Section of the Depot is commanded by a German Colonel with German personnel.

The German plant is actively producing material. Col. Holman does not think it would be wise to transfer the plant to Florence, in order not to discontinue production.

If Gen. Faldia wished to have the machinery returned to Florence, he would have to write a letter. As for the material, a survey would have to be made in order to divide it into "Italian" and "Allied" property.

Col. Holman believes it is necessary to inform the G.H.Q. of Italian aspirations in the matter. Gen. Faldia concludes by underlining the need to transfer ^(the plant) to Florence as soon as possible, and to assume ownership of the whole material, since we need it very urgently.

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(signature)
Liaison Officer

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UNRRA ITALIAN MISSION

15 September 1945

TO: A. A. Sorisari

FROM: D. A. Reekie

SUBJECT: Medical Services for Displaced Persons Camps

Col. Hamilton and I have just finished a brief discussion with Capt. Bloomfield about the medical problems incident to our early participation in providing medical services for the Displaced Persons group in Italy when we are asked to assume the responsibility now being handled by the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, AG.

At the present time the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission have the services of at least three Italian mobile hospitals. These hospitals are 200-bed capacity and are complete with equipment and Italian staff and have been made available to the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission through MMIA. In addition to the three mobile hospital units, there are one or more Italian ambulance companies again made available to the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission by MMIA. Therefore it is important that in negotiating the transfer of responsibility for the care of displaced persons in Italy we move quickly to arrange with MMIA for the continued use of these ambulance companies and mobile hospitals. I think it will be very obvious to you that the completion of these negotiations is very essential to our operations, and if denied us we will be in a very poor position to provide medical services for displaced persons in Italy.

One other important point that I want to report is the fact that the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission presumably drew CAD medical supplies sufficient for 50,000 people for the winter; further issue was not possible since what they drew in September was for the entire winter. Many of the items which were supposed to be available are already deficit, particularly the sulfa drugs. We expect to get an opportunity to discuss this matter fully next Tuesday when an inventory of these medical supplies will be available here in Rome.

The point I want to make here is that we must move fast to discuss with AFHQ emergency requisitions to draw from military stores still here in Italy, these deficiencies to be sure that we have an adequate supply at least through March, for as you know it is absolutely impossible for us to get medical supplies for a particular function out of Washington for a minimum of 180 days.

When UNRRA negotiates with the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, UNRRA must consider the points raised in this communication and be sure that the assets herein mentioned will be available if UNRRA is to continue the good work the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission has done.

DA Reekie/fg
CC to Capt. Bloomfield ✓

Col. C. P. Kerr

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Subject: Report on 522 FC. Ham.

Lend Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (ISMA)

RME

W/5/3425

17^{Sept.} 45.

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare.

The attached report has been received in
respect of 522 Field Hospital.

Please investigate and take disciplinary
action as thought fit.

JEA

Lt-Col.

A.D.E.S.

Lend Forces Sub Comm. AC. (ISMA)

/ATP.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/709/MED

Tel. 478009

14 September 1945

SUBJECT: Report on 522 Fd. Hospital.

TO : M.M.I.A.
Medical Branch.

MED.

1. Reference attached copy of report on the above mentioned Italian Field Hospital by the Commandant of Pescantina Camp.
2. May an investigation be made by the Italian Military Authorities into the circumstances reported.

For the Director:

E.A. Bloomfield
E.A. BLOOMFIELD,
Capt. R.A.M.C.,
Medical Branch.

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M/5/3143

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C O P Y

Headquarters "A" Group
D.P. & R.S.C.
Allied Commission

Subject: Report on 522 Fd. Hospital.

To: Headquarters
D.P. & R.S.C.
Allied Commission

The enclosed copy report of Major Ford definitely shows that a very undesirable state of *affairs* exists at the hospital concerned.

If camp discipline is to be maintained, steps should be taken by your HQ to have either the officer concerned disciplined or a substitute found.

(J. GEDDES)
Major.
Commanding.

6 Sep 45.

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SUBJECT : REPORT ON 522 FIELD HOSPITAL (ITALIAN)

TO : "A" Group Commander,
D.P.R.S.C.
c/o A.M.G. Bolzano

1. The general organisation of the above Hospital leaves a great deal to be desired.

2. After repeated instructions and directions which have been given to the officer in charge of this Field Unit, to be ready at all times to receive patients within even to present capacity, after the Unit being here for five weeks, the situation is still most unsatisfactory.

3. Today, in anticipation of requiring further beds in the hospital; as I had reason to believe that a large number of sick might be expected; I paid a special visit to the Hospital to satisfy myself that they were at least ready to put into use the wards (wooden huts and tents) which contained about 65 beds (the official capacity being 200).

4. I found that in addition to two fairly clean huts containing approximately 30 beds, there was a tented ward for 10 beds in fair conditions but also one for 20 beds which was in a deplorable state. Filthy and muddy mattresses were lying unsorted on the beds - still presumably in the condition in which they were after a recent bad storm. Bits of bread lay on the floor which was very wet, but which could very easily have been dried with a minimum of effort and organisation.

5. The Hospital's officer ⁱⁿ charge was not present at my visit as he was on short leave agreed to by myself, but the other officers did not appear to realise, as I pointed out, what a disgraceful state the so called surgery ward was in.

6. In order not to be unfair, I went personally into the book of the Hospital to satisfy myself that there was adequate staff for what I was demanding to be done. I came to the conclusion that the staff was more than adequate.

7. The living quarters of the men of the establishment were obviously those which one expected to find in a Unit which lacked proper organisation and atmosphere and certainly emulated none of the hygienic conditions which should be found in a Hospital.

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8. No effort had been made to carry out my instructions (of 110 strong suggestions of some two weeks ago) that a proper mess be set aside for the other rank personnel of the Unit, where they could eat in decent fashion. Nor had the officer in charge seen fit to apply to me I said he could do, for the necessary tables and chairs.

9. In the whole Hospital (taking into consideration the storms and difficulties which attend them - but which after all could be catered for by any Field Unit) there is an atmosphere of inertness and inefficiency in organisation which gives one no feeling whatever of confidence.

10. The nursing sisters are keen and willing but the doctors seem to lack the elements of initiative. I can only conclude that the Hospital's direction is bad, and that either for personal reasons which have not been sympathetically considered by higher authority to provide an efficient Hospital. I strongly recommend that another officer be appointed who will create a Unit about which it will not be possible to write as I have done in this report.

Major R.A.
COMMANDANT.

54 Evacuation Camp
D.P.R.S.C.
Escantina

Distribution : "A" Group Commander plus One Copy for Major Black

SUBJECT: Leave - Italian Army.

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LAND FORCES SUB COM, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E .
A 020
30 Aug 45

TO : Ministry of War.

1. MMIA letter AQ/17 of 30 Dec 44 and 13 Jan 45 are cancelled.
2. Until further orders leave of absence in the Italian Army will be governed by the following principles :-
 - (a) Leave regulations will be the same for all categories, units, etc. of the Army.
 - (b) Leave will be regarded as a privilege granted only to men of good conduct and efficiency; it will not be regarded as a right.
 - (c) Leave may be granted on the following grounds :-

1. Privilege leave,
2. Compassionate leave,
3. Convalescent leave.

- (d) Privilege leave may be granted once only in each six months service and will be of seven days duration, exclusive of travelling time, (except in the case of leave to or from SARDINIA when duration of leave will be adjusted to conform to ship sailings). It may be granted by commanding officers (subject to the limitation in para 2(g) below).
- (e) Compassionate leave up to a maximum of 14 days may be granted in exceptional circumstances for urgent personal reasons at any time, with the approval of a Territorial Commander (subject to the limitations in para (g) below). Personnel returning from Compassionate

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(e) Compassionate leave up to a maximum of 14 days may be granted in exceptional circumstances for urgent personal reasons at any time, with the approval of a Territorial Commander (subject to the limitations in para (g) below). Personnel returning from Compassionate leave will be placed at the bottom of the unit leave roster. Agricultural leave as such will be discontinued, but compassionate leave up to a maximum of 28 days may be granted for agricultural purposes in cases of necessity which are authenticated by CC.RR statements. The granting of such leave will be kept down to the minimum and personnel granted such leave will be included in the limit in para 2(g) below.

(f) Convalescent leave.

(1) Convalescent leave will only be granted to Military Personnel who are already patients in a Territorial Hospital, and will be authorised by the Commanding Officer of the Hospital.

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- (ii) The maximum period of Convalescent leave will be 14 days. All cases requiring longer periods will be referred to the Director of Medical Services of the Territorial Command concerned.
- (iii) Convalescent leave plus time in Hospital may be authorised up to 60 days, after which the patient will be struck off the strength of the Italian Army.
- (iv) Personnel given Convalescent leave are considered as patients and do not count against the percentage given in para 2(g) below.
- (g) The limiting factor in all cases will be that not more than 10% of the officers and men on the posted strength of any unit may be absent on leave at one time. This means that an unduly large number of compassionate leave cases which would jeopardise the granting of privilege leave every six months, must be avoided.
3. Control of Movement of leave personnel will continue to be regulated under the conditions set out in MMIA letter of A 020 of 17 July as amended by A 020 of 15 August.
4. Leave to SARDINIA will continue to be regulated under the conditions of MMIA letters A 020 of 14 July 45 and 2/48/5 of 14 Aug 45.
5. Rations. The issue by the despatching unit of up to a maximum of 2 days Travel Rations is authorised for the outward journey only. No other rations will be issued from Italian Army stocks.
6. Rest Camps and Leave Camps. Rest or Leave Camps, or any facilities serving similar purposes, will not be maintained by the Italian Army for Italian personnel on leave, except as authorised by MMIA in each particular case.
7. Further details for the granting of leave and prevention of its abuse will be laid down by the Minister of War, and made known to all concerned.

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T. K. K.
Spence
 Major General,
 M.M.I.A. 4108

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TRANSLATION.

From: Ministry of War.

To: Cabinet

M.M.I.A. for information.

Subject: Circular.

file Ref: 701/ML

Date: 24/8/45.

Herewith enclosed for your information copy of Circular 701/ML dealing with ~~XXXXXXXX~~ "Granting of Convalescent Leave to Italian Military" issued by me on the 23rd. August. 1945.

Santoli.

Carter.

[Handwritten mark]

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Very good letter I think!

Bf for hlt to Lee
4107

[Handwritten signature]

TRANSLATION.

From: Ministry of War.

Ref: 701/ML.

To: Cabinet.

N.M.I.A. for information.

Date: 20/8/45.

Subject: Granting of Convalescent Leave to Italian Military.

In accordance with orders issued by ^{the} Ministry of War's signal

218020/11 dated the 20/8/45, and with slight amendments made with

Circular 452/ML dated the 9/3/45, the following has been decided:

- Granting of convalescent leave, over 14 days, up to 60 days for officers and up to 90 days for N.C.Os. and Men, on being released from hospital, will be granted, from now on, by the Director of the Military Hospital without previous approval (of the Medical ^{et} l'égale Action) of the Medical Director of the Military Territorial Commands.

- The Military Hospital Directorates will forward, every ten days, to the Medical Directorates concerned, ~~the~~ return of convalescent leave granted (over 14 days), as per pro forma attached.

- The Medical Directorates come across ⁵²⁶ doubtful or irregular cases, when possible, they will arrange to ^{the} soldier personally or arrange to have the soldier seen by the Medical Directorate of the Territorial area in which the soldier is to spend his leave.

- The Medical Directorate will forward monthly, to the General Directorate a return compiled with numerical data taken from the returns forwarded by Hospital Directorates, as per pro forma attached.

- Every so often, this General Directorate will be informed of any abuse or irregularities encountered, together with disciplinary action taken.

The Directors of Hospitals, fully aware of their own direct responsibility, will bear in mind that convalescent leave must be only

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Fadda.

Carter.



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MESSAGE

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FOR MIA 10(.) NOT MESSAGES 9945 GIVE BULNO (.) PLANS (UNRECORDED)
 FOR ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO MAKE OVER ITALIAN NATIONALS FOR FOR
 IN U.S. CUSTOMS ABOUT 1 MILE., (UNRECORDED) CAMP AT P I B A (.)
 WITH THIS IN ACCORDANCE FOR COMMAND HAS AGREED TO TRANSFER
 HOSPITALIZED PRISONERS NOW IN U.S. WARDENS TO ITALIAN
 MILITARY PERSONNEL IN VICINITY (.) WITH TOTAL COUNTRIES ARE REMOVED
 AND OVERSEEN WILL BE IMPROVED (.)

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FROM MJAC 241745D

TO MMIA ROME

INFO ~~PENBASE~~ PENBASE

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PRISONERS ARE HOSPITALIZED IN NINE NINE FIELD HOSPITAL PAREN UNCLE
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PD FACILITIES IN LEGHORN AREA NOT ADEQUATE PD REQUEST DISPOSITION
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Perbase

info Mtrusa

~~Unpublished~~ Restricted

Ref Perbase 9945 c/o BPLNO. Plans underway
for Italian Govt to take over Italian
nationals now POW in US custody about
1 Sept, including Camp at Pisa. When
this is accomplished POW Command has
agreed to transfer hospitalized prisoners
now in US Hospitals to Italian
Army Hospitals in vicinity. When Mtrusa
orders are received all concerned will
be informed.

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TRANSLATION

From: M.of.W.

Date: 20/8/45

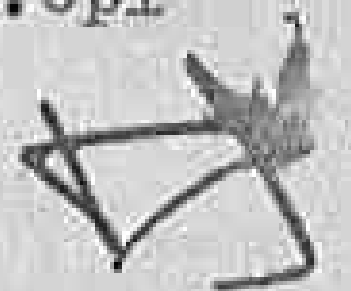
To: See Addressees

Ref: 218020/11

Further to and in partial amendment of War Cabinet Circular No. 200500/11 dated 30th January 1945,. 4th and 5th paras in respect of the convalescence leave are cancelled; and replaced by the following. "The granting of convalescence leave for a period ~~superior to~~ ^{of over} 14 days ^{and} up to 60 days for officers and 90 for Nco's and Or's will be granted at the end of the hospital treatment, by the Military Hospital C/O ,without previous approval of the Medical Directorate of the Mil. Ter. Com. concerned. Military personnel who have exceeded a period of 60 days including stay in hospital and convalescence leave, will be struck ~~off~~ ^{off} the effective strength.". Medical Directorate will issue detailed instructions in respect.

R.ERRERA.Cpl

(Sgd) Col Lombardi



M/5/2998

14/11/29

Tel-Baseball 2

Subject:- Transfer of Italian Ex-Co-operators
Patients from British Hospitals.

Med
Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm;
A.C.(MMIA) 3 District;

Ref. 3DLO/21.

1/ Aug. 45.

To:- 8(Italian) Territorial HQ.ROME(Med.Directorate)
9 " " " BARI(" ")
10 " " " NAPLES(" ")

1. Ref HQ.MMIA letter M/5/2742 of 24 Jul.45 addressed to War Ministry(Med Directorate).

2. Transfer of Ex-co-operators patients.

1. Attached is copy of letter 205 M of 9 Aug.45 received from DDMS 3 District showing particulars of ex-cooperators in British Military Hospitals.

2. Please forward NOT later than 20 Aug.45 name and full address of Italian hospital where these men should be sent.

3. British medical authorities have kindly agreed to provide transport.

G. M. M. M. Maj.
MMIA LO 3 District.
4101

Copies to:-

Med
MMIA LO c/o 54 Area.

GPH/agn

M/5/2907

COPY

Subject:- Transfer of Italian Ex-co-operator Patients
from British Hospitals.

3 District
Ext 74
205 M

MMIA LO.HQ.3 District

The following details of Italian ex-co-operators held in British Hospitals in this District are forwarded for information and necessary action. A copy of DMS AFHQ letter M 3058 dated 27 July 45 is forwarded for information.

52 Area Nil

54 Area
98(Br) Gen.Hosp. BARI 2

1 Max Fac
1 Surg Chest

56 Area
2(Br) Gen.Hosp. CASERTA 1
92 " " " NAPLES 1
103 " " " NOCERA 6
6 Base Psych Centre 5
CASTELLAMARE

1 Med
1 Surg
4 Med
2 Surg
4 PN
1 PP

RAAC
104(Br) Gen.Hosp.ROME 3
50 " " " ANAGNI 2

x 2 Med
1 Surg
2 TB

x Application has been made to AFHQ for authority to retain one of those cases in 104(Br) Gen.Hosp.

(P.H.FLOCKTON) ⁵¹¹⁶⁰ for,
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.

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SUBJECT: Withdrawal of ex-Cooperators.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.G.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E
TEL: 489031 Ext 533
A 106
11 Aug. 45

TO : M.M.I.A. 10 1 District.

1. Italian ex-cooperators serving with medical units in units in 1 District shown on the attached list are no longer required and will be withdrawn by the local Adm. Div to be used as reinforcements in other units. If surplus to requirements they will be held at the nearest Transit Camp and details passed to SMH for disposal instructions.
2. Please also advertise to all branches of 1 District that in cases of this kind it is only necessary for 1 District to inform the appropriate local Italian Division that personnel are not required and should be withdrawn for the necessary action to be taken.

[Signature]
Major General
M.M.I.A.

COPY TO: Ministry of War.

INTERNAL: 9(SD)
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11/5/2902

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See by acting
Director 11/8

ITALIAN CO-OPERATORS SERVING WITH MEDICAL UNITS
IN 1 DISTRICT.

<u>Medical Unit</u>	<u>Protected Personnel</u>	<u>Non-Protected Personnel</u>	<u>Authority</u>
11 (Br) Gen Hosp	30	17	WE CM/547/1 waf 19 May 45
31 (Br) Gen Hosp	30	-	CCE/40152/Rfts dated 11 Apr 45
100 (Br) Gen Hosp	30	1	WE CM/547/1 waf 19 May 45
66 (Br) Gen Hosp	29	-	CCE/IT/A/154 dated 15 May 45
5 (Br) Gen Hosp	11	4	AFHQ G-1 (Br) 1003/265/A1 (serial 0081) of 29 Apr 44
54 (Br) Gen Hosp	26	-	ADMS 56 Area 122/1 dated 18 Oct 44
69 (Br) Gen Hosp	26	-	ADMS 56 Area
2 Surgical Dressing Sterilization Unit	14	-	CCE/Movement Order No 1930
32 Reception Station	8	-	WE CM/295/1

Subject: Italian Army Convalescent Depots

Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (1941A)

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15/5/2081

9 Aug 45

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2 District

I have discussed the question of forming Italian Convalescent Depots with 'A' Branch 1941A and the Director General of Medical Services at the Ministry of War. The latter is of the opinion that they would not be appreciated and now that the whole of Italy has been liberated, ex hospital patients would not relish a spell in a Con Depot in lieu of sick leave at home.

I pointed out that men could be discharged from hospitals earlier than at present. The Medical Director said that most men got far better food in their own homes than the ordinary military rations which they would get in a convalescent depot. This I do not believe; however I feel that they are not interested.

The Welfare Officer 1941A informs me that an Italian Rest Centre is being formed in Milan Territorial Command as soon as accommodation is available on one of the lakes. I have also suggested that perhaps the Gruppo Sanitario di Sanita might run a small Gruppo rest centre where men from the Gruppo could have a few days local leave. This is being taken up by the Welfare Officer 1941A.

JH

Lieut-Col.

A.D.M.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (1941A)

/RFG

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Inter-Office Memo

From: MEDICAL

To : COL. 'A'

W/5/2870

8 Aug 45

Subject: Sick Leave - Italian Army

1. Ministry of War letter 452/ML dated 9 March 45 laid down that the maximum period of sick leave permissible to Italian Army personnel was 14 days, except in the case of certain illnesses. The G.C. hospital had power to grant 14 days sick leave but anything above this had to be authorized by DMS Territorial Command.
2. According to para 635, 653 and 655 of Regulations for Territorial Medical Services of the Italian Army, the Director of the hospital could grant convalescent furlough up to 60 days for officers and 90 days for rank and file.
3. It is recommended: (i) that G.C. of hospitals are allowed to grant sick leave up to 60 days for officers and 90 days for rank and file at their discretion;
(ii) that no specific diseases are named which entitle man to 60 or 90 days leave, otherwise they will automatically expect it after contracting one of these diseases and in some cases the man may have suffered very slightly from the particular disease and his condition will not warrant a long sick leave;
(iii) that G.C. hospitals should forward to D.De.M.S. Territorial HQ a weekly return showing numbers granted (a) 14 days sick leave, (b) those in excess of 14 days sick leave. D.De.M.S. will consolidate these returns and make a monthly return to the Medical Director Ministry of War.
4. It is considered pointless for the G.C. of the hospital to request authority from the DMS Territorial Command to grant excess of 14 days, as the DMS in question knows nothing about the case and is asked to take the responsibility, whereas if the G.C. of the hospital has this responsibility he is unlikely to abuse it, as he will have to answer for any case granted leave in excess of 14 days.
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6. If a man does not consider he is fit to return to his unit on the expiration of his sick leave, he must report to the nearest Principal Territorial Military Hospital, where he will undergo a medical examination. The O.C. of the particular Principal Territorial Military Hospital will have the power to extend this sick leave, and he must notify the O.C. of the hospital who originally authorised it, who will in turn notify,

(1) the man's unit

(ii) DMS Territorial Command.

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Lt-Col.
A.D.M.S.

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Translation

From: Mr. J. W.

To: MMIA, in reply to letter
M/5/2718 of July 21, 1945

Ref. No. 680/ML.

Date: July 30, 1945

Subject: Sick leaves in the Italian Army.

At the end of the 14-day leave granted in accordance with the instructions contained in circular 452/ML dated March 9, 1945 issued by this office, the director of the hospital cannot grant an extension of an additional 14 days, because the soldier - having been granted a leave for sickness from which he is presumed to recover within that period - must return to it at the end of same.

According to an ancient custom in the Italian Army (para. 637-653 and 655 of the regulations on the territorial medical service) the Director of the Hospital may grant - upon discharge from the hospital - a convalescent furlough of up to 60 days for officers and up to 90 days for ~~in~~ NCO's and EM.

The Hospital Director shall be per-
sonally responsible for such medical-legal
measures recommended by the division heads.

The enactment of regulations 452/ML according to which the
per circular 452/ML according to which the

M/5/2837

(2)
granting of convalescent furlough in excess of 14 days has been made incumbent upon Medical Directors, has led to the following difficulties:

- 1) a lengthening of the hospitalization time with a consequent increase in the consumption of Army rations and crowding of hospitals pending authorization of furloughs by the Medical Director, who at times is hundreds of kilometers away from where the hospitals are located.
- 2) denial of responsibility by the hospital directors, no longer authorized to grant convalescent furloughs directly.
- 3) the inability of Medical Directors to make actual and effective checks, which would be possible only through a direct examination of patients, which, however, is made impossible by the very location of the hospitals;
- 4) the possibility of irregularities in the recommendations for convalescent furloughs by Division Heads who are ~~also~~ controlled by Hospital Directors and not controlled at all by Medical Directors.

(3)

Accordingly, this office suggests that:

- a) hospital directors be authorized to grant convalescent furloughs up to 60 days for officers and up to 90 days for NCO's and EM, assuming full responsibility for the above medic-legal measures;
- b) Medical Directors should control the above activities of the hospital directors on the strength of the weekly tables of furloughs granted by each hospital, and should make a "check" inspection - either personally or by proxy - of all cases subject to suspicion or doubt.

Signed: Sir Fadda
for Minister

Week

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Subj: Medical Arrangements - RUMI

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (RUMI)

RUMI

14/5/283.

7 Aug 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Further to my conversation with General PADDA
this morning, herewith copy of letter received from
Commandant, R.A.C. Training Depot, Bari.

JRA

Lieut-Col.
A.D.H.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (RUMI)

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4092

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785020

Subject: HR-ITI Medical Arrangements

Land Forces Sub Comd.

A.C. (MILIA)

ROME

N/S/2853

7 Aug 45

Commandant,
RAC Training Depot
CET

Reference your TD/P301/1105 dated 2 Aug 45.

This question has been discussed with the
Ministry of War.

Doctor Veniero Petrini is employed by the
Italian Army to look after Italian troops in the
neighborhood. Medical supplies are to be made
available through Direzione di Sanita, Rome Territorial
Command.

JH

Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.

Land Forces Sub Comd. AC. (MILIA)

/HGG

4091

Subject : BR-ITI Administration - Medical

TD/P301/ 1105

2 Aug 45

Military Mission, Italian Army, CMF.

Copy to : RAAC, CMF.
Executive Officer.

MED.

The medical administration of BR-ITI personnel attached to this Depot, is most unsatisfactory.

At this present time, soldiers requiring medical treatment report to a civilian doctor - Doctor Veniero Petrini of 11 Via Roma, RIETI - who, owing to lack of supplies, is unable to provide any practical treatment. The doctor states that he has no means of provision, and frankly admits that the position is farcical. Occasionally, when medicine is required, he gives the soldier a prescription, in order that it may be purchased from a local chemist, but the price of such medicines, are in almost all cases, prohibitive to the soldiers. In other cases, since he can offer no practical aid, he prescribes 3 or 4 days "Rest" (excused duty) in the hope that the man will not report sick again. As will be appreciated, this method produces the reverse effect.

Furthermore, vaccine and serum for essential vaccination and inoculations are not available, and the health of local troops is endangered accordingly.

May this matter be given immediate attention please, and the essential medical administration be arranged.

*Sick leave Policy -
Copy of letter re partition*

CMF
WHW/RE

M/S/08/44

[Signature]
W.H. WRITER) Major
for Colonel
Commandant
RAC TRAINING DEPOT

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

OFFICE OF THE SURGEON

113058
4 Aug 45

Subject:- Transfer of Italian Co-Operator Patients
from British Hospitals

Reference:- M. 3093.

To:- D.D.M.S., Eighth Army.
D.D.M.S., 1 District.
D.D.M.S., 2 District.
D.D.M.S., 3 District.
D.D.M.S., 13 Corps

Med

1. All Italian co-operators now patients in British Military Hospitals will be transferred to Italian Military Hospitals as soon as possible.
2. D.D.M.S. will make the necessary arrangements for these transfers through M.H.L.A. Liaison Officers who have already received appropriate instructions from Land Forces Sub Commanding A.C. (MIA).
3. Completion reports will be forwarded to this Directorate in due course.

William Maj

27 July 45
KSC/ABC

Major-General,
Surgeon, D.D.M.S., A.P.H.Q.

Copy to:- A.D.M.S., Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MIA).

P/A

11/51 274089

Subject: Vindilla Lary Hospital - Rome

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MIA)
RCM
M/5/2752

25 July 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Copy to: A.D.S.T. } Ref. para 2.
D.A.D.T. }

ADMS, MIA visited the Capedale Principale Militare,
Rome on 25.7.45.

The following observations are made:

1. The Deposito Materiale Sanitare was deficient of 3 officers and 8 other ranks. It is impossible for this unit to be efficient without the proper staff.

This is the third or fourth time this matter has been referred to you by MIA.

2. Disinfectants for the month of JUNE have not yet been drawn due to lack of transport. This excuse cannot be accepted especially as the journey is a very short one. Please investigate and take such action as is necessary.

/RBC


A.W.J. Cooper,
Staff Capt.
for A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

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Subject: Partisan Wounded in Italian
Military Hospitals

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MIA)

ROME

4/5/2751

75 July 45

ALL ITALIA L. Os.

All Partisan wounded should now have been transferred to civilian hospitals. No Partisan should have been admitted to Italian military hospitals after 2 May 1945 as they ceased to be Partisans after this date and became civilians and as such they are not entitled to treatment in a military hospital.

Therefore any Partisan at present in a military hospital must have been admitted before 2 May 1945, it can only be a very exceptional case which is still unfit for transfer after 12 weeks hospital treatment.

All Partisans at present in military hospitals will be transferred to civilian hospitals immediately. Details of any case considered unfit for immediate transfer will be forwarded to this HQ.

The numbers of all Partisans admitted to military hospitals after the 2 May 1945, showing the number of days in hospital, will be rendered to this HQ as soon as possible.

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/RGC

J. Holman 4087
Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (AMIA)

Copy to: Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

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Subject: Transfer of ex-Cooperators Patients
from British Hospitals

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MIA)

ROME

N/5/2742

24 July 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

In confirmation of today's conversation between
Lt-Col. Holman - General Falda,

All Italian ex-Cooperators at present patients in British
military hospitals will be transferred to Italian military hospitals
as soon as possible.

A.Ds.M.S. Areas and Sub-Areas will contact MIA Liaison
Officers, who will arrange these transfers through A.Ds.M.S. Italian
Territorial H.Qs.

J. Holman

Lieut-Col.

In confirmation of today's conversation between
Lt-Col. Holman - General Fadda.

All Italian ex-Cooperators at present patients in British
military hospitals will be transferred to Italian military hospitals
as soon as possible.

A.Ds.M.S. Areas and Sub-Areas will contact MILA Liaison
Officers, who will arrange these transfers through D.De.M.S. Italian
Territorial H.Qs.

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Copy to: DMS AFHQ
All MILA L.Os.

JG Holman

Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MILA)

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Julia

Subject: Sick Leave - Indian Army

Ministry of War,
Direccao General de Saude Militar

Reference conversation Capt. Cooper - Gen. Basilisso on
20 July 45.

It is agreed in principle that the center to grant a maximum of 26 days convalescent leave (if deserving cases only) should be vested in the Officer Commanding the hospital.

It is felt however, that some check should be made on the number of soldiers who are granted such leave. It is suggested therefore that a weekly return should be made to the Territorial Medical Directorate by the A.C. of each hospital showing which cases have been granted periods of leave in excess of 14 days and the reason for same. The weekly return should be consolidated once a month and forwarded by the Territorial Directorate to the Ministry of War, so that they are available for perusal by this A.C. if necessary.

If you agree, please publish a directive to that effect.

It is requested that the strictest disciplinary action should be enforced against any abuse of the grant of convalescent or sick leave. This leave should be reserved entirely for deserving cases.

This office letter N/5/2696 of 18 May 45.

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MILIA)

10/11/45

14/5/2748

21 July 45

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If you agree, please publish a directive to that effect.

It is requested that the strictest disciplinary action should be enforced against any abuses of the grant of convalescent or sick leave. This leave should be reserved entirely for genuine cases.

This office letter W/5/2096 of 16 May 45 also refers.

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Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA.)

/RBC

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Subject: Italian Requisitioned Property

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (ISMA)

ROME
11/5/2219

26 May 45

Surgeon,
Rome Area Allied Command

Reference your Med(Tx) 797 of 5 May 45.

Approximately four lorry loads of hospital equipment and furniture have been collected from 10th General Hospital, and the dental equipment as agreed.

Wells.

Ident-Col.
A.D.M.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (ISMA)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON
AFO 794 US ARMY

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Subject:- Italian Army Requisitioned
Property.

Ref:- Med(Br)797.

AD-33. Land Forces Sub-Commission,
(ISMA) Allied Commission.

Reference your M/5/1692 dated 17 Apr 45 and our
visit to 104 (Br) General Hospital.

1. Will you please say whether the dental and other
medical equipment required by you has now been returned
as agreed at the time of our visit.

T.D. Inch
T.D. INCH.
COLONEL,
SURGEON.

5 May 45.
TDI/MCT.

M/5/1999.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 374
Public Health Sub-Commission

AG/3072/50/141

25 May 1945

SUBJECT: - Dept of MINERA in force.

TO : - Ministry of Interior,
Attn: S. B. Solinas.

1. Further to this office AG/3072/50/141 dated 19th May, this Sub-Commission feels that any attempt on the part of the Ministry of War to evict MINERA from its premises in Via Angelica without all wing that organization sufficient time, to obtain alternative accommodation would result in a complete break-down in the distribution of medical supplies to civilians throughout Italy.

2. It cannot be imagined that the Ministry of War can wish to be held responsible for such a catastrophic eventuality and both the Motor Transport Group and MINA are in agreement with this S/C that MINERA must be granted the opportunity of making alternative arrangements before it can relinquish possession of its present warehouse.

For Brigadier G.S. PATERSON:

C. G. PATERSON

G.S. PATERSON, Lt. Colonel,
Chief, Public Health Branch.

GSP/as

Copy : - Motor Transport Group, Attn: Lt. Col. Borden.
- H.B.L.A. - Attn: Lt. Col. Bagge.

M/5/2215

26/5. file

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Subject: Medical Attention of Demobilized
P.O.W. and Internees

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Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MELA)

RMH

14/5/2160

19 May 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

1. The suggestions put forward in your letter 1/2079/San of 9 May 45 are noted and are in agreement with the general policy laid down by AFHQ who have already authorized the release of 6000 combat troops for temporary duty to assist in the administration of the Reception Camps for returning P.O.W. in Northern Italy.
2. For your information AFHQ have requested the Allied commands concerned to release as many as possible of the ten Evacuation Hospitals (each 200 beds) and No. 1 Italian Motor Ambulance Convoy (75 cars). Application has also been made for the release of 36 Hygiene Section.
3. Further information will be forwarded as soon as received.

W.H.

Lieut-Col.

P.O.W.S.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MELA)

/RMH

Copy to: 'A'

copy translation

MINISTRY OF WAR
General Medical Directorate

Ref: 1/2079/Sen

9 May 45.

To: Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMA)

Subject:- Employment of the Military Medical Organisation
to Assist ex-P.O.Ws. Patients Returning from Germany

With the end of the War in Europe, the problem of repatriation of Italian ex-Ps.O.W. from Germany has first priority. This problem has created a state of emergency probably of short duration which requires exceptional measures.

In situations of this kind, the Italian military medical organisation has already given on other occasions its own valuable contribution. Since at present, a large part of the Field medical organisation becomes available, it is thought that this could be usefully employed in assisting ex-Ps.O.W. patients in Northern Italy. In this way, it should be possible to reduce the Allied contribution in this field to the minimum necessary.

The Military Medical Organisation could put at disposal Field Hospitals, Tented Auxiliary Hospitals and the 36th Disinfection Section which is at present in Rome ~~manipulating~~ with complete W.B. as part of the Rome Reserve Nucleus. Its equipment has already been concentrated at Florence. Moreover, a large part of the military medical organisation of Northern Italy could be used. (see letter 1/494/San of 5.2.45 of this office).

The medical organisation for repatriated personnel in Northern Italy is actually the task of the Allied Military Government which is helped by the General Directorate of Public Health (Ministry of Interior), the Italian Red Cross, The Sov. Military Order of Malta and by the Ps.O.W. Independent Office of this Ministry.

Together with the above mentioned four units, this office sometime ago made out a programme for ex-Ps.O.W. (see letter 6500 dated 14.3.45 from the Italian Red Cross, addressed to you). At present, it is thought that such collaboration could be given on a larger scale and in accordance with the urgent requirements.

It is thought that a meeting to be held at this Ministry or at the A.C. with all the Branches concerned could eventually assist in solving the above situation on the basis of making use of Field Medical Units, the medical equipment etc., which would become available following the end of the war.

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Considering that the first contingent of ex-Ps.O.W. has already returned from Germany, the problem becomes an urgent matter.

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IL MINISTRO

A. Casati

A File A/019 and AFHQ Signal FX 72728 of 8 May - policy in

applicability to above.

Frank.

M/S/2051

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No.

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Translation

From: NY/W.

To: VIRGILIO Military Hospital

Ref: 6/3547

Date: 12 May 1945

Subject: Medical Materials

We forward to you the attached list, original, received from M.M.I.A. in respect of materials of CELIO military Hospital, which become available.

This Directorate will therefore carry out the immediate withdrawal of a/m materials, which will remain stored at the "VIRGILIO hospital circulation Depot, awaiting for further instructions, that this Ministry will issue. ~~in respect~~

On withdrawal carried out, ~~you~~ Directorate will forward to us a complete list of said materials, showing details in respect of its ~~condition~~ *var condition*. Rome Military Territorial H.Q., is asked to kindly supply to your Directorate the means of transport required for the transport of said materials.

For Information of M.M.I.A.

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Signed: F. CALDAROLA

M/5/2092

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

Subject: Thermal Baths

Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MIA)

RGSE

8/5/2016

7 May 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Information is required concerning the
number of thermal baths stations in Italy.

Please give their location and state
which of these have been requisitioned by the Allies.

/RG

W. H. H.
Lieut-Col.
A. D. M. S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

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Tel. 237

NRLM/hh

Ref. AC/5615/128/IND.

2 May 1945

SUBJECT : Thermal Station at Ischia
TO : Public Health Sub-Commission
FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

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1. The attached reply has been received to this Sub-Commission's request for de-requisitioning of 23rd April 1945 (copy of which was sent to you), which request was based upon your recommendation for de-requisitioning in support of the statement made by the Council of Ministers that all thermal stations were requisitioned by the Allied Armed Forces.

2. Your comments in reply to Para 2 of the attached letter would be appreciated, in order that an appropriate reply may be made to A.P. H.Q.

3. It must be appreciated that this Sub-Commission can take no action for de-requisitioning on the unsupported statements of Italian Government Depts. and our purpose in sending you the subject correspondence in the first place was to secure your verification of the statements made by the Council of Ministers.

4. The file dealing with this subject is appended for further reference. The buck slip upon which action was taken is attached to the back of Folio 1.

(Signed)

R. W. REEVE, Major

for J. WASKREY

Lt. Colonel,

Deputy Director,

Industry Sub-Commission.

Copy to : -

Economic Section, A.C.

M.M.I.A.

Encl. : -

Copy letter M.1102, dtd 29/4/45
from AFHQ.

M/5/1975

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON

Ref: M: 1102

SUBJECT :- De-requisitioning of Thermal Station at Ischia
for use of Italian Armed Forces.

TO :- Deputy Director,
Industry Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission
A.P.O. 324, G. M. P.

1. With reference to your letter AG/5615/IND dated 23 Apr. 45, the thermal station in Ischia is the hands of the Royal Navy. A copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Fleet Medical Officer, Royal Navy.

2. With reference to the statement contained in para 2 of your letter it is requested that a list of the thermal stations stated to be requisitioned by Allied Forces be supplied together with the name of the requisitioning service, since, so far as is known, not one of the 40 to 50 spas in central and southern Italy has been requisitioned by the British Medical Services.

3. A copy of your above quoted letter has been forwarded to surgeon, Mousa AFHQ with the request that a direct reply be made in respect of any stations requisitioned by the American Medical Services.

T. Mansie, Colonel, AFMS (AGM).,
for Major-General, Surgeon, DMS, AFHQ

29 Apr. 45
TM/NT.

Copy to:- G 5, G 4 (A) and G 4 (B)., AFHQ

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Subject: Requisitioned Property

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Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MIA)

ROME

M/5/1807

23 April 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Herewith list of available items at
Celio Hospital.

Please arrange to collect immediately.


A. W. J. Cooper,
Staff Capt.
for A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

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

785020

Subject: Italian requisitioned property.

To: A.D.M.S.,
Land Forces Sub Commission,
M.M.I.A., Allied Commission.

Ref: 219/104.

Te/ No. 774027-8-9 Ext 24.

Reference your visit to this hospital on 19 April '45 and ensuing conversation.

Attached are the lists of items of Requisitioned property which can be handed over.

C.M.F.
20 April '45.

Lecliff
Capt. F.A.M.C.,
for O.C. 104 (Br) General Hospital.

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List One.Items which can be identified and are easily movable.

Hat stands.....	35
Telephones, apparatus.....	6
Complete Stereoscope apparatus.....	1
20 litre bottles.....	1
complete bench for bar.....	1
Waste-paper baskets.....	16
Crucifixes.....	36
500 cc. Graduation Cylinders.....	4
Glass cover for Microscope.....	1
Coffee doser.....	1
Sugar doser.....	1
Big globes for electric lights.....	100
Small globes " " ".....	20
Funnels in glass.....	10
Koristka Binocle microscope.....	1
Clocks.....	1
Iron basin stands.....	3
Wooden foot stools.....	3
Iron stands for trunks.....	8
Odentofactory, arm chairs.....	1
X-ray protection walls.....	2
Bookstands.....	2
Telephone stands.....	3
Plan of hospital.....	1
Looking glasses for toilets)	
Mirrors oval).....	27
Buckets for rubbish.....	3
Water tanks.....	5
Burette stands.....	1
Large table.....	1
Receivers, waste, dental.....	1
Units, dental.....	1
Viewing box.....large.....	1
Centrifuge, electric.....	1
"Morelli" Gas aspirator.....	1

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List Two.Items which can be dispensed with but which are semi-permanent or permanent fixture.

Goods elevator.....	1
"Giannoli" disinfecting stoves	
with mechanic tow.....	1

Subject: Italian Army Requisitioned Property

Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MILA)

ROME

M/5/1692

17 April 45

C.S. Rome Area Allied Command
for Surgeons

1. Medical equipment, the property of the Italian Army is held by 104 (Br) General Hospital. Previous requests for the return of certain items have proved unsuccessful and have been the subject of correspondence between the Allied and Italian Area Commands in Rome since 25 January 1945.
2. Maintenance of the Italian (FEL-LEI) Medical Services is a U.K. responsibility. In order to conserve the issue of Allied equipment, AFHQ have published several orders which clearly state that material and supplies, the property of the Italian Army at the time of the Armistice, cannot be requisitioned (except by operational commanders as an operational necessity) without the authority of AFHQ or MILA.
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CIRCULAR)
NUMBER 13)

1 May 1944.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALLOCATION AND ASSIGNMENT
OF CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL

Circular Number 65, this headquarters, 1943 is hereby rescinded. The following instructions outline the organisation and prescribe in general the procedure to be followed in the allocation and assignment of serviceable and repairable captured enemy material.

1. Definitions.

a. Captured Enemy Material. For the purpose of this directive all equipment, stores, and supplies previously belonging to all arms and services of the Ground Forces of the enemy. (Equipment, stores and supplies previously belonging and peculiar to Naval and Air Forces of the enemy will be dealt with in accordance with directives to be issued by C-in-C Mediterranean Naval Forces and CG, MAAP).

b. Italian Material. All Italian material belonging to all arms and services of the Italian Ground Forces and in the possession of the Italians at the time of the armistice is considered as Italian Material and, except as otherwise directed by this headquarters is reserved for the use of the Italian Army under the direction of the Army Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission.

2. Organisation.

a. The responsibility for the assignment of serviceable and repairable captured enemy material and the maintenance of necessary records pertaining to such material and supplies is placed upon a Special Staff Sub-Section of the Quartermaster Section this headquarters, known as Captured Enemy Material Section (previously called Captured Enemy Material Executive Committee). It is an integrated section consisting of American and British officers.

b. Captured Enemy Material (C.E.M.) Sub-Section representing C.E.M. Section this headquarters will be attached to Headquarters of Armies, Districts, Areas, and Base Sections whenever the presence of captured enemy material renders it necessary.

c. The instructions contained herein are not to be interpreted in any way as relieving Commanding Generals of Areas and Areas of their responsibility

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c. The instructions contained herein are not to be interpreted in any way as relieving Commanding Generals of Armies and Areas of their responsibility for collecting, sorting, classifying, safeguarding and evacuating captured enemy material in accordance with existing instructions to specified parks, dumps, etc.

3. Duties and Responsibilities.

a. G-3 (Org.) this headquarters.

(1) Formulates and assigns priorities for captured enemy material.

(2) Processes all communications with higher authorities.

b. Quartermaster C.E.M. Section, this headquarters.

(1) Formulates policies for the operation and controls C.E.M. Sub-Sections at subordinate headquarters.

(2) Calls for, receives and collates all reports from C.E.M. Sub-Sections at subordinate headquarters.

(3) Lists separately serviceable and repairable material and obtains allocation instructions from G-3 (Org.).

(4) Receives all demands for allocations of captured material and processes such demands to G-3 (Org.) for allocation instructions.

(5) Issues disposition instructions based on G-3 allocations.

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AFHQ Circular No. 43 (cont'd)

3. Duties and Responsibilities. (cont'd)

c. C.E.M. Sub-Sections at other headquarters.

- (1) Forwards to this headquarters (C.E.M.) lists of captured enemy material. These lists will, as far as practicable differentiate between serviceable and repairable material, and will normally be prepared by the special staff or service concerned.
- (2) Advises and co-operates with Special Staff or Service on matters pertaining to the collection, classification, listing and servicing of captured enemy material.
- (3) Makes inspections of dumps or parks containing captured enemy material to determine whether instructions for collection, sorting, classification, and safeguarding are being followed.
- (4) Renders reports called for by higher authority.
- (5) Obtains and processes disposal orders on serviceable and repairable captured enemy material from Quartermaster C.E.M. Section this headquarters. (For disposal of salvage (British) or unserviceable material (U.S.) see paragraph 4 below).

4. Procedure for collection and disposal of Salvage (British definition) and unserviceable material or scrap (U.S. equivalent). This will continue under normal procedure. The basic document in the case of United States forces is Circular Number 16, Headquarters MATOUSE, 1944.

5. Demands for Captured Enemy Material. These will be addressed to C.E.M. Quartermaster Section, this headquarters, through the following channels:

Inside the Theater

For Intelligence Research through G-2, this headquarters.
For Operations through G-3 Operations, this headquarters.
For Training through G-3 (Trg) this headquarters.

Outside the Theater

For Intelligence Research through G-2, this headquarters.
For all other purposes through London Munitions Assignment Board.

6. Removal of Material or Supplies. When an agency or supply service is allocated captured enemy material or supplies, it must assume the responsibility

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By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GARNETT,
Lieutenant General, Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

H. V. ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGC,
Adjutant General,

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Subject: Italian Armed Forces

HQ AAI,
C. M. P.
2030/12/02.
1 July 44.

CG, FIFTH ARMY
Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY
Rear HQ EIGHTH ARMY
HQ 5 Corps
1 District
2 District
3 District
CG, PBS
CG, RAAG.

1. The Italian Armed Forces are fighting and working as co-belligerents with the Allies in Italy. Their help can, however, only be effective if they have the means to administer and maintain themselves.
2. Cases have occurred (particularly in ROME and other newly occupied localities) where property, transport and materials belonging to the Italian Forces have been removed from them without proper authority and when the operational need for such action no longer existed.
3. In future, no buildings, real estate, transportation or other materials belonging to the Italian Armed Forces, or in the possession of effective units of the Italian Navy, Army or Air Force, will be occupied, requisitioned, seized or made use of without prior reference to this HQ. This does not, however, preclude the rights of operational commanders to make such use of the items mentioned as may be necessary for operational reasons.
4. Italian Commanders concerned have been authorized to place notices on their property indicating its ownership. These notices will be respected.

(sgd) A. L. HAMBLIN, Brig Gen
for Major-General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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Adv Army Sub Commission ROME
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CIRCULAR)

NUMBER 29)

9 December 1944

Removal of Materials, Supplies and Stores from Italian Military Depots..... I
 Rescission of Circulars II

I. REMOVAL OF MATERIAL, SUPPLIES AND STORES FROM ITALIAN MILITARY DEPOTS

1. Repeated instances have been reported of Allied troops removing material, supplies or stores from Italian Military Depots without proper authority. This is a violation of paragraph 1b, AFHQ Circular Number 43, 1944.

2. No material, supplies or stores will be removed from any Italian Military Depot, factory, or Italian Military organization, by units or individuals of this command without express written authority of one of the following Sub Commissions of the Allied Commission at Rome:

- a. For stocks from Italian Army Depots, Land Forces Sub-Commission (MELA)
- b. For stocks from Italian Navy Depots, Naval Forces Sub-Commission.
- c. For stocks from Italian Air Force Depots, Air Forces Sub-Commission.

In an emergency only, authority may be granted by the appropriate Liaison Officer of one of the above Sub-Commissions of the Allied Commission, in the area where depot or organization is located.

3. The above does not preclude the right of operational commanders to make such use of the items mentioned as may be necessary for operational reasons only.

4. The appropriate Sub-Commissions, Allied Commission, will post notices in Italian Depots, covering these instructions.

5. All commanders are directed to publish these instructions to members of their command, and to take appropriate action on any violations.

II. RESCSSION OF CIRCULARS

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II. RESCISSION OF CIRCULARS

Section II, AFHQ Circular Number 12 and Section II, Circular Number 14, both 1944 are rescinded. Current data as to 1943 AFHQ Circulars may be found in Section III, AFHQ Circular Number 23, 1944.

By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMMILL,
Lieutenant General, Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

C.W. CHRISTENSEN,
Colonel, AGO
Acting Adjutant General.

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CIRCULAR)

NUMBER 5)

11 April 1945

Road Traffic Control Code..... I
Title to Italian Army Vehicles..... II

I -- ROAD TRAFFIC CONTROL CODE

The maximum speeds shown in paragraph 4 b, Section I, AFHQ Circular Number 28, 1944, are changed as follows:

For British Vehicles

5. Lorries (over 1 ton and up to and including 6 ton) including troop carriers and semi-trailers - 30 mph.
6. Lorries (exceeding 6 ton load capacity) including semi-trailers - 20 mph.

For US Vehicles

6. Trucks 4 ton all models - 30 mph.
Trucks 6 ton all models - 30 mph.

II - TITLE TO ITALIAN ARMY VEHICLES

The title to vehicles of the Italian Armed Forces falls into two categories as follows:

1. Vehicles captured by the Allied Armies prior to the Armistice with Italy - These vehicles have become spoils of war and remain the property of the Allied Military Authorities who have discretion to allot them as they see fit in accordance with existing instructions covering captured enemy material.

2. All other vehicles of the Italian Armed Forces

- a. These remain the property of the Italian Government as outlined in AFHQ Circulars Number 43, and Number 29, 1944.

- b. This transport should be used to the maximum benefit of the Italian nation as a whole, bearing in mind the calls made by Headquarters AC on the resources of the Allied Armies to meet essential civilian requirements.

Trucks 6 ton all models - 30 mph.

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c. The allocation of this transport in accordance with paragraph b above will be made as follows:

Italian Army vehicles by the Land Forces Sub Commission AC
(MFA). Italian Air Force vehicles by the Air Force Sub
Commission AC. Italian Navy vehicles by the Navy Sub Com-
mission AC. Transport surplus to the minimum needs of the

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Army Circular No. 5 (cont'd)

Italian Armed Forces which is desired for civilian use by Headquarters AC will be allotted to civilian use by the appropriate Sub Commission, AC, title thereto and operation thereof being by the Italian Army Forces under the control of the appropriate Sub Commission, AC.

d. The Italian Armed Forces will exert every effort to locate and acquire vehicles still undisclosed. Allied authorities will give every assistance possible to the Italian authorities and to the respective Sub Commissions, AC. Any vehicles coming into the possession of the Allied authorities will be reported to the appropriate Sub Commission, AC for disposal.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

OFFICIAL:

(Sgd) G. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

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Translation

104 British Gen. Hosp.

Ref.

Surgeons ADMS RAAC

Date Feb. 28, 1945

Subject: Requisitioned Italian property.

Further to our 219/104 dated 14th inst. and with ref. to Vs/MED (BR) 797 dated Feb. 3.

In order to keep this Hospital in full efficiency it is necessary that some items belonging to the requisitioned property be held.

Part of the materials can be returned. This has been subdivided into two groups.-

1. Identified and easily transportable materials
2. Materials which have been identified and which could be done without but which constitute semi-permanent or permanent installations.

The removal of this last category would involve works of certain importance and would paralyze the unit's work.

There are many materials shown on the Italian list (translated) which are difficult to identify by means of the equivalent English name. Part of them are shown below with the relative notes.

1. Compressor for dental recharge- at this hospital's dental unit, there is an air compressor and perhaps it is this to which they refer.
2. Complete "A.R.P.E.A." Radiological Apparatus- A radiological apparatus (complete) is installed in the sub-basement under unit No. 8. It bears only the name of the constructor and the letters U. R. D., ~~XXXX~~ probably the initials of the factory. Perhaps the Italian authorities refer to this machinery.

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"gas apparatus" - There are many Cosmos gas cylinders at
cel. It is not very clear whether the Italian authorities
refer to one only or to all of them, considering them parts of
one apparatus.

4. Microscope Weh custody - In the hospital laboratory there is
an apparatus belonging to the requisitioned Italian ~~property~~
property which was shown as microtomic apparatus with case.
Owing to the similarity of the definitions, we believe that it is the
same object.

We could get along without the articles shown in paragraphs
1, 2, and 4, and with part of those in paragraph 3.

The above list does not include those materials (shown on
the enclosed list) which have not been identified up to now
with the materials on the list of the requisitioned Italian
property.

Please send a representative of the Italian Medical Branch
in order that he may identify the unidentified materials.

(sgd) Col. Garraway

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Translation

RAAC It. Liaison Section
Rome Mil. Terr. Command's
Medical Directorate

Ref. : RA/456

Date : March 7, 1945

Subject : Italian Medical Materials.

Ref. 917/3 dated Jan. 25.

This office has requested the release of the medical materials remaining at the Celio Hospital.

While adhering to said request for the most part, the Allied Command has reported, however, that some materials must remain at the hospital, and that together with other materials, they form semi-permanent or permanent installations which are difficult to remove.

Furthermore, there are many materials on the list which have not been identified and therefore, it would be advisable for someone of the Medical Directorate of the Rome Military Territorial Command to go to the place in order to identify them.

We enclose a translation of the letter which was sent to RAAC by the 104 British Hospital.

(sgd) Lt. Col. Della Rocca

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[Signature]

Translation

Lt. Vanzetti, L.O.

Ref.

Lt. Col. Heigie, Adms-MMIA

Date April 12, 1945

Subject :

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Enclosed please find:

1. Copy of the list attached to Rome Terr. Command-Medical Directorate's letter 917/S dated Jan. 25, 1945.
2. Copy of RAAC-Italian Liaison Section's letter RA/456 dated March 7, 1945, and a copy of the 104 British Hospital's letter dated Feb. 28, 1945

The examination of the unidentified materials, which was requested by the British Hospital, has already been carried out: therefore the materials should be ready by now for withdrawal.

It is advisable that the materials be drawn gradually, bearing in mind the difficulty of storing all of the materials, some of which is bulky (cupboards, for example).

(sgd) Lt. G. Vanzetti

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 ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
 OFFICE OF THE SURGEON
 APO 794 US ARMY

Subject: Medical Arrangements - Italian

Ref Med (Br) 715

CC 104 (Br) General Hospital
 CC 99 (Br) General Hospital
 CC 69 (Br) General Hospital
 CC 48 (Br) General Hospital
 CC 30 (Ind) General Hospital
 CC 106 (SA) General Hospital

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DLIS UDF, Adm HQ (Main) CMR
 AIMS Land Forces Sub Commission (AMLA)
 Italian Liaison Officer, RMAG
 OSC Medical Units
 SMOs
 RMOs
 MOS i/c MI Rooms

1. There are four types of Italian personnel who may come under Military Medical care.

- (a) Italian Co-operators. i.e. Italian POW on parole who are employed with British or other Allied Units.
- (b) Italian Soldiers. i.e. Personnel of the Italian Army who may be employed in purely Italian Units or may be employed as dilutees in British or other Allied Units.
- (c) Italian PW. i.e. Personnel who still fight against the Allied Armies and have been wounded and captured by the Allied Armies opposing them.
- (d) Italian Partisans

1. There are four types of Italian personnel who may come under Military Medical care.

- (a) Italian Co-operators. i.e. Italian PsW on parole who are employed with British or other Allied Units.
- (b) Italian Soldiers. i.e. Personnel of the Italian Army who may be employed in purely Italian Units or may be employed as draftees in British or other Allied Units.
- (c) Italian PW. i.e. Personnel who still fight against the Allied Armies and have been wounded and captured by the Allied Armies opposing them.

(d) Italian Partisans

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2. The disposal of these personnel is as follows:-

- (a) Co-operators. These will be admitted to any British or Allied Unit if admission to hospital is required. They are entitled to all medical facilities with certain modifications, e.g. in the case of ophthalmic patients they can be issued with one pair of spectacles only.
If Italian Military Hospitals are available such patients will normally be sent to these hospitals and will only receive first aid and emergency treatment in Allied Military Medical Establishments. If Italian Military Hospitals are not available they can be admitted to any British, Dominion or Imperial Military Hospital.
- (b) Soldiers
They are entitled to usual treatment of PsW. If captured by British, Dominion or Imperial Troops and arrive in this area, they will be hospitalised at 69 (Dr) General Hospital.
- (c) PsW.

(d) Partisans/Over

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2. (a) Partisans

No firm decision as to whether they are an Italian Military or Civil commitment has yet been made. They will for the present be admitted to Italian Military Hospitals.

3. With regard to paras 2(b) and (d) above, the following Italian Military Hospitals are situated in ROME:

VIRGILIO Hospital - VIA GIULIA (NR. 723670)
 1st Section - PIAZZA MONTEGRAZIA
 2nd Section - VIA PORTUENSE (Infectious Diseases) (NR 729652)
 3rd Section - FORNE BOLOGNA (Scabies)
 CORRADINI Hospital - PIAZZA BOLCANA (NR 773688)
 BALDI Hospital - PIAZZA SLOCHETTI (NR. 48 (Pr) Gen Hosp)

(Map references refer to Town Plan of ROME)

4. Italian Civilians employed in units are entitled to First Aid treatment only and will not be admitted to Allied Medical Establishments except in cases of extreme urgency. Covering authority for such admissions must be obtained through departmental channels from AMHQ.

In cases of injury sustained in the course of employment such patients should be sent to one of the following:

Clinic No. 1 PIAZZA DELLE CINQUE GIOIELLERIE No. 4 (NR 736689) Tel 361551.
 Open daily except Sunday. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For First Aid and successive treatment.

Clinic No. 2 VIA TULLIO CROCI No. 10, NR. VIA LABICANA (NR 755662)
 Tel 750787. Open daily except Sunday, 8.30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 For First Aid and successive treatment.

Hospital. VIA DEL MONTE LALLO GIOIEL No. 9 (NR 766710) Tel 880037.

First Aid Station is also in operation at the hospital from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Except in cases of a serious nature, patients will be sent to the Clinics first, and not to the Hospital. During closed hours of Clinics, any emergency may be taken to the hospital, or any other Civilian hospital, in which case the INAIL Hospital should be notified.

as The Istituto Nazionale - Assistenza Civile - Contrasto

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For First Aid and successive treatment.

Hospital. VIA DEL MONTE DI SAN GIOIELLERIE No. 9 (MR 766710) Tel 880037.

First Aid Station is also in operation at the hospital from
8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Except in cases of a serious nature, patients
will be sent to the Clinics first, and not to the Hospital.
During closed hours of Clinics, any emergency may be taken to
the hospital, or any other Civilian hospital, in which case the
INVALE Hospital should be notified.

as The Istituto Nazionale L'Assicurazione Controgl'Infortunio
sul Lavoro is responsible for the handling of any claims for compensation arising
among civilian employees injured while working for the Allied Forces. Attention is
directed to RAC RO 352/44., para C.

5. Italians not falling into any of the foregoing categories are not entitled
to any advice or treatment from any British or Allied Medical Establishment. All
requests for advice or treatment must therefore be refused except of course in
cases of accident and acute emergencies.

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T.D. INCH.,
COLONEL.,
SURGEON.

TRANSLATION

FROM: Med. Dir. Rome Terr. H. Q.

REF: 917/S.

TO: I.L.O., R.A.A.C.

DATE: 25 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Stores at Celio Military Hospital

At the time of the requisitioning of the Celio Military Hospital by the 104 British General Hospital which was carried out on 1st. July 1944, the medical materials referred to on the enclosed list were handed over to the above mentioned British Hospital.

Since said material is at present necessary for the equipping of Italian Military Territorial Hospitals, we beg of you, on the basis of the known regulations in respect of materials belonging to the Italian Army, to request R.A.A.C. for their return.

Sgd. VINCENZA

Col.

O. Danin Cpl.

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REF: H/150/H.S.

DATE: 8 March 45.

FROM: War Ministry

TO: Cabinet - Organisation Office.

MMIA for info (Ref. C. No. M/5/8387 1/2/45)

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Subject: Medical-hygienic inspection and enquiry at Recruit Training Centre of Orvieto.

We forward, enclosed, the report on the medical-hygienic inspection and enquiry at Orvieto, compiled by the Senior Hygienic Officer of the Medical Directorate of the Rome Military Territorial H.A.

As appears in this report, the sending of troops to hospitals in Rome have been justified, for the larger part, by necessity for operations, surgical cases of long duration, eye, ear, nose, and throat, diseases, radiological examinations, etc...

Only for ^{10 in 12} ~~extreme~~ cases would a local administrative admission have been sufficient.

Of the troops sent for observation, about 12% have been returned to unit, judged fit for unconditional military service (A.I.).

No troops have been sent to Rome for routine dental treatment.

The improprieties discovered in the running of anti-smallpox and anti-typhus vaccination treatment have been speedily eliminated and disciplinary action taken against the personnel found responsible.

All the most favorable medical and hygienic measures have been speedily adapted for guaranteeing the proper functioning of the service ^{and} the health of the troops, both in the units of the Recruit Training Centre and in 91 Field Hospital and the Centre's Infirmary itself.

As communicated in letter 2/100/A of 5th inst., the Medical Directorate of Rome Military Territorial H.Q., has been approached to arrange for the posting of a medical officer, skilled in dentistry, to 91 Field Hospital, Orvieto.

Agd. CALDAROLA.
Gen.

Osani.

[Signature]

Translation.

FROM: Rome Military Terr. H.Q.
TO:

REF: 301/1.S.
DATE: 5 March 45.

Subject: Medical-hygienic inspection and enquiry at Orieto Recruit Training Centre.

Further to orders of the War Ministry - Military Medical Directorate General - and in accordance with the instructions received from that Directorate with letter 2454 of 14th inst., a medical-hygienic inspection and an enquiry into the allegations of the Allied Authorities (M.H.I.A.) with the following results:

MEDICAL - HYGIENIC INSPECTION

BILLETING - The troops are occupying three buildings

(a) Former Air Force Barracks. A large modern building of four floors and rectangular shape, open behind, with a wide internal courtyard. The 1st. and 2nd. Battalion and H.Q. platoon (a total strength of about 4000 men) are located on the upper floors, and the general services (store, kitchen, baths, disinfection plant, etc.,) on the ground floor. The rooms, well-lit and airy, each have a capacity of about 24-28 beds. Many doors and window panes are missing, replaced by makeshift material. Bedding consists of trestles, wooden boards, and straw-mattresses. Each soldier is issued with a quilt or

three blank.

Each upper floor contains modern sanitary conveniences (2 to each wing) with oriental-type latrines in separate closets and china wash-bowls.

Both in the rooms and sanitary areas, cleanliness was sufficiently taken care of.

The water supply ^{is} provided by the town aqueduct; however, ^{the flow is limited to fixed hours and does not always} ~~because of the limited facilities~~ installed up to now ~~and which are still not at the~~ reach the top floor, they are ^{therefore} compelled to carry water in cans or buckets for latrine cleaning.

The existent kitchens, well cared for and modernly equipped, with diesel-oil heating, allow for the preparation of only 2000 rations. It has therefore been necessary to construct a little way away another subsidiary kitchen, which has the necessary hygienic requirements. The ration store is clean, dry, and well aired.

The barracks has two permanent bath installations, serviceable: a large one for the O.R.s with 10 showers in separate cubicles, the other for officers and N.C.O.s with 12 showers also in separate cubicles. Both have dressing-rooms.

Finally, for disinfecting and disinfection ⁴⁰⁵ there are two Giannoli stoves (one of which belongs to 91 Field Hospital), another English fixed stove which works on diesel-oil, with double disinfection chamber, and two Gattiachi pumps issued by 8 Disinfection Section.

A squad of 6 men, under a N.C.O. carries out disinfection duties. ~~For~~ There are two boilermen for the Giannolli stove.

(b). S. Agostino billets. Old block of religious buildings, of three floors, with a capacity of 400. There are about 500 men ~~men~~ billeted there, overcrowded. It has wide corridors giving access to rooms of 6-10 beds, well-lit and aired. The paved floors appeared very deteriorated; many doors and windows are missing, replaced by planks of timber and tarred cardboards. In the hours of the night, because of the incomplete closing of the openings, the temperature in the building is low. Bedding arrangements are the same as in the Air Force barracks. The hygienic fixtures appear to be insufficient; each floor has 5 oriental type latrines and makeshift washplaces made of wooden tables and metal ~~traps~~ ^{plates}. To overcome these deficiencies a field latrine with walls and covered with metal plates has been erected in the forementioned courtyard. Also in these ~~billets~~ the cleanliness of the sanitary installations and surrounding areas is sufficiently looked after. Kitchen well cared for.

(c). Elementary school. Building of recent ⁴⁰⁵⁶ construction, rectangular, with three floors, wide rooms rationally exposed and lit, equipped with all the fixtures. About 300 men are billeted there. The latrines (6 oriental type latrines on each floor) and washplaces appear to be sufficient.

As I have put forward to the ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Page~~ of Medical services, covered drainage ditches need to be installed.

FOOD. The prescribed ration is issued. Meals are well-cooked, agreeable, and considered sufficient.

INFIRMARY AND STATE OF HEALTH OF TROOPS.

An entire wing of the ex-Air Force barracks is at the disposal of the medical services, with the ground floor for the infirmary of the Training Centre, main baths and disinfection stove installed; the upper floors for 91 Field Hospital.

The infirmary has a waiting room, 2 medical inspection rooms, 2 sick bays (comprising 24 beds), latrine, stores. The rooms, except the medical inspection rooms, are in course of being arranged and are therefore in a state of disorder. The beds are lacking. The local Military District has issued 60 of them, on issue, however, to the officers of the Centre. In addition to the usual medicines the infirmary is equipped with two medical trunks and three medical haversacks complete with serviceable materials.

Medical services are directed by ⁴⁰⁵⁴ Major. (Medical) GORI Giovanni, Regular Army. There are also attached Capt. (Medical) DE LEVIS and 2 Lieut. SANTI and DE MAGISTRIS. The latter, however, is due to leave soon for a Pack Transport Group.

The state of health of the troops is good enough. Percentage of personnel reporting sick raised (4-5%) in relation to the poor physical condition of reporting drafts. Many new arrivals declare to have been, in the past, judged fit for sedentary duties only. No important cases of infectious diseases. Cases of scabies, however, are very numerous (152 cases in February according to information from the appropriate register and 47 from the 1st. to 1st. March), and infection by lice is considerable. Cases of scabies are cured locally and kept isolated. They use the usual bathing facilities the shower cubicles of which are afterwards carefully disinfested and freely washed.

I have made arrangements whereby ten showers in the rear part of the baths shall be reserved for scabies cases. Near the entrance to the barracks there is an E.T. room equipped with all the necessary prophylactic materials. At present 16 Blenorrhoeal cases are being treated which were already infected on arrival. Only three cases of local infection, with the prostitutes denounced to the local Medical Officer. ⁴⁰⁵³ Sulphonamide preparations and anti-gonococci vaccine are scarce. In the other two barracks there are small medical-aid posts.

91. FIELD HOSPITAL. Has the best possible arrangement of the space allotted to it. Has 50 beds installed which could be immediately made up to 130-140. There are 41 patients with medical or surgical complaints really necessitating hospitalisation, and 4 paratuberculous cases, isolated. All the sanitary installations are modern and numerous; the only bath is unserviceable. All movable equipment is complete and well looked after. Order and cleanliness are praiseworthy. Looked after. Captain (Medical) PEPI Salvatore, Doctor, Regular Army, directs the hospital and is assisted by another 4 medical officers.

RESULTS OF THE ENQUIRY

Cases admitted to Rome Hospitals. During the month of February the Training Centre directly admitted to "Virgilio" Hospital, Rome, 506 troops for observation (of which 5 for extensive lack of teeth) and 96 as patients; another 113 were treated during the same month in 91 Field Hospital.

Those sent to Rome as patients have been shown, for the larger part, justified by 4032 necessary operations, surgical cases of long duration, ear, eye, nose, and throat, diseases, necessary radiological diagnosis etc.,. However, for a tenth of the cases a local

admission would have been sufficient. Of the other percentage sent for observation it can be reckoned that 12% may be returned to unit as fit for unconditional military service (A1).

The information as above has been taken from a ledger held by the infirmary wherein ~~are~~ shown, with all the necessary particulars, both the troops sent for observation and those being treated in Military Hospitals. No troops have been sent to Rome for casual dental treatment.

In respect of 91 Field Hospital, this has transferred to Rome during February, only 11 patients with important medical or surgical illnesses.

Vaccinations. The first vaccination registered in the appropriate ledger refers to the 19 Feb. last. and in respect of anti-smallpox immunisation. The results obtained are only partially shown. Negative results of 1st. vaccinations have not been revaccinated. The first anti-typhus inoculation, practised on two companies 4 & 5 July, does still not appear entered in any register. The Director of Medical Services, Major (Medical) GOR, for unjustified reasons, has not seen fit to ~~the~~ carry out ^{the} anti-smallpox vaccinations.

and the first Anti-Typhus inoculation on the same day, which ^{he says} ~~conduct~~ will require at least 65 days for the troops to complete the vaccinal measures laid down.

In respect of vaccinations carried out before the 19th February, the above mentioned senior medical officer (who commenced his duties at Orvieto on 26 January) states that he compiled merely lists, forwarded to the O.B.s of units, dealing with troops posted to Pack Transport Groups who remained at Orvieto only a few days. Major (Medical) Gori has certainly not shown in respect of vaccinations that lively, energetic, interest, indispensable for obtaining a properly carried out practice. The other medical officers have been carrying out orders.

I immediately ordered that:-

- Commencing with the troops reporting to the infirmary during my visit, that anti-smallpox vaccination and the first anti-typhus inoculation be carried out at the same time.
- That negative results to first anti-⁴⁰⁵⁰ smallpox vaccination, be revaccinated, ~~at~~ a third being carried out on persistent negative ^{results}.
- Separate new registers shall be compiled

in the infirmity of anti-smallpox, T.A.B., and anti-typhus, vaccinations, listing the troops by companies and with precise notes of the observed reactions and dates, and also the registering of malarious case-histories.

Sgd: MASSA.

Lt/Col. Prof.

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Subject: Medical Administration - Orvieto Camp

Land Forces Sub Comm
L.F. (M&A)

10/11/53
11/9/53

1 March 54

Ministry of War,
Directorate General of British Military

1. DMS HQ 1 District recently visited Orvieto Camp and reported that of the 4000 men stationed there, 400 were in Rome receiving medical and dental attention. It is also reported that trivial medical cases are sent for attention to Rome and typhoid inoculation was not being carried out. Small pox and typhus inoculation had been carried out but proper records were not being kept.

2. 91 Evacuation Hospital is stationed at Orvieto and instructions to expand this unit to 500 beds have already been given.

3. In view of above, it is requested that a senior officer from the Medical Directorate, visit Orvieto Camp to check on the above points and ensure that all medical and hygiene services are being carried out properly. Please arrange for a Dental officer to be attached to 91 Evacuation Hospital.

4. It is requested that a copy of the inspecting officer's report be forwarded to M&A.

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Major,
R. A. M. & A.
Land Forces Sub Comm. M&A (M&A)

Copy to: DMS HQ 1 District
M&A L.F. 1 District
British Comm, Orvieto Rein. Camp.

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Translation

From Min. of War

Ref. 1/8 11/SAN

To Directorate of ARCONA
Mil. Hospital

Date Feb. 23, 1945

& for info to MMIA

M/5/802

Subject Opening of Mil. Convalescence Home
at OSIMO (ARCONA). With file 27/2

With letter M/5/100 dated Feb. 20, 1945
MMSA has ordered the opening
of a military convalescence home
at OSIMO with the initial capacity
of 100 bed spaces.

You will organize said
convalescence home immediately on
the premises which at present are
occupied by the 247 Hill Hospital
which will cease existing and
wait for further assignment.

- PERSONNEL: The personnel (2 junior
medical officers and 19 Med. Corp's and
men) will be drawn from the
personnel made available from the
disbanded Mil. Hospital at NOCI.
(PTO)

You will provide for the four
nuns on Station Red Cross volunteer
nurses.

- Materials: 2 "Milano" type tents
will be sent to its place by the
NAPLES Medical Depot.
You will provide the other equipment,
bedding and general services, ^{materials} from
the materials which may be
drawn at its place or from the
ARCONA Mil. Hospital.

Please report eventual deficiencies.
Separate orders will be issued
for the personnel and shipment
of materials.

Organization: The organization and
the service of said convalescence home
will be regulated according to the
regulations prescribed by Article 117
of the "Regulations on Mil. Med.
Temp. Service." and moreover,
all those military who have
families in territory that ^{get} liberated

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and who cannot ^{make} use of their convalescence
leave, will be billeted there.

RATIONS. The convalescence home
will receive military rations and the
7100's & men who are to be billeted
there must not have spent
more than 60 days as patients.

The time spent in a Mil. Hospital
must be included in said 60 day period.

When the 60 day period has
been completed, the patients must be
transferred to a convalescence home
receiving civilian rations if
they require further convalescence
leave.

Please confirm, and let ^{us} know the date on which said
convalescence home will start

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Copy to: "2" No 1 District

I visited the above mentioned group on 17 Feb 45 to ascertain the standard of training received by the medical units and also to gain some impression of the hygiene situation.

I was very favourably impressed by both.

I was accompanied by Ident. Colonel Helms - the Medical Director and Lieut Brewster who is attached to 52 B.I.B.

The following units were visited:

1. 63 Inf Regt. (Castellanos)

Accommodation is reasonably good in large and small houses and schoolrooms. There is a little overcrowding here and there. Cooking is carried out in the open in metal cases on wood fires but covered accommodation is in process of being provided. I think they would do better with the French petrol burners as used by the Prin Group.

The water supply arrangements are not too good. Water is drawn in their water trucks from fountains in the villages and although water sterilizing powder is available it was not being used. Waste removal tablets - although available have not been drawn. Four ampoules of B.B. should be used for every 100 gallons of water - left for half an hour and then detanted with four detanting tablets. I recommended strongly that sterilization of all water by the above method be introduced immediately as a drill.

It was pleasing to note that some latrine units were in use and others being constructed. Their knowledge of British appliances seems good and several urinals were in use.

Bathing facilities are by no means adequate but I am told the matter is in hand. The men have no underclothes but have two shirts and a woolen pullover. Each man has at present only one pair of boots but a second has been promised.

On the whole I think their standard of general hygiene is surprisingly good and there is no doubt that they are trying to improve

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On the whole I think their standard of general hygiene is surprisingly good and there is no doubt that they are trying to improve it. A detailed report by CC 12 Field Military Section has been prepared and is being forwarded under separate cover. The men look fit - are well turned out, well fed, keen and happy.

2. 24 Field Hospital (4th GURDA)

Accommodation in 32 beds - 24 patients were in hospital all short term cases. They complained they were unable to obtain any medical comforts such as silk, rice, soap, butter or meat extract. My those supplies are not made available by I.I.C. I do not know why they tell me that 209 Division has been told to give them. This should be remedied forthwith. This is a well run unit - hospital men well laid out and clean.

3. 21 Medical Section (4th GURDA)

This is in my opinion a first class unit commended by a very able Captain who has had battle experience at Cassino - Anserata and Jock, as have his men.

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They are usefully deficient of transport - their deficiencies being as follows:

- 6 Ambulances (one)
- 3 three ton lorries
- 4 motor-cycles
- 4 Cars

The shortage is so acute that their hygiene officer who supervises the hygiene of the whole group can seldom get round the units except in a three ton lorry. I suggest he be provided with a two seater car as soon as possible. Their equipment was all neatly laid out ready for any move of their two dressing stations at short notice - they carry out exercises weekly in methods of evacuation from Battalion aid posts to Regimental aid post and thence to the Dressing stations.

I was much impressed with everything I saw in this unit.

In a previous report I submitted on the Priuli group I made certain recommendations regarding the substitution of two stretcher ambulances and jeeps with stretcher fittings for some of the four stretchers ambulances cars. This was suggested by M.A.I., but so far no change has taken place.

The Hygiene and Malaria Control Platoon of this unit is doing excellent work and the CO has issued all 43 units with instructions on general hygiene measures in use in the British Army. He has an excellent workshop but had been unable to procure many 40 gallon drums for use as spill bins. I have obtained 32 from the salvage centre in Rome and they are being collected.

4. 352 Field Hospital (M.M.H.V.)

Accommodation in 53 beds - 25 men were in hospital - all short term cases. Here again lack of medical comforts was represented as also difficulty in obtaining anti-gonococcal vaccine from the Italian medical stores in Florence. As a result of this most cases of gonorrhoea are sent to the Italian Military Hospital in Florence. The hospital was clean and well laid out.

5. 52 B.L.U.

I interviewed the Commandant regarding the question of medical comforts. All other officers were out on duty.

I also interviewed the Italian Chief of Staff who discussed the question of another platoon being added to the stretcher bearer group of the Medical section of the Italian Combat Group. The platoon of 24 men in each are not in my opinion sufficient if all evacuation has to be done as it may have to be in hilly country by hand carriage. He informs me this has been previously

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352 Field Hospital (Florence)

Accommodation is 38 beds - 25 cases were in hospital - all short term cases. There again lack of medical comforts was represented as also difficulty in obtaining anti-gonorrheal vaccine from the Italian medical stores in Florence. As a result of this most cases of gonorrhea are sent to the Italian Military Hospital in Florence. The hospital was clean and well laid out.

5. 52 D.L.U.

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I also interviewed the Italian chief of staff who discussed the question of another platoon being added to the stretcher bearer group of the Medical section of the Italian Combat Group. Two platoons of 30 men in each are not in my opinion sufficient if all consideration has to be done as it may have to be in hilly country by hand carriage. He informs me this has been previously represented but was not approved of.

6. Dental Treatment.

I saw several men who required urgent dental treatment in the way of fillings to render them fit to fight. Only a few can be spared daily to go to Florence to have their teeth filled and at the present rate many of them will have to take their place in the line without having their treatment completed. Some 300 men require treatment. As their period of training will last only another three weeks I am sending 155 Mobile Dental Unit to the Group Headquarters in RAMM to treat cases requiring urgent treatment. I have obtained a supply of silver tin alloy for this from the Italian Military Hospital, Florence and I test spare this unit for a matter of a week or ten days.

7. TRAINING OFFICER

Captain Orme of 165 Field Ambulance was posted to supervise the training of these medical units by TMS 13 Corps but remained only a few days. I am informed he is being replaced.

July/43

Copies to: DMS AMB

DMS 13 Army Group

ENCLOSURE

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DADMS Land Forces Sub Commission
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J. W. W. Hughes.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Health Sub-Commission
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SUBJECT: - Planning NW Italy.

TO : - VP, CA Section, HQ AC.

20 February 1945

For your information, herewith copy of minutes of a meeting held at this HQ on 17th February 1945.

For Brigadier G. S. PARKINSON:

G. M. Prizelle

G. M. PRIZELLE, Lt Colonel,
Chief, Public Health Branch

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Copy to: DDMS, No. 2 District.
" : ADMS 57 Area.
" : RPHO, Lazio-Umbria Region.
" : Major Norman, Lazio-Umbria Region.
" : Major Carrier, RPHO, Liguria Region.
" : Director, Patriots Branch, HQ AC.
" : DADMS, Land Forces Sub-Commission, HQ AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 39h
Public Health Sub-Commission

Minutes of a meeting on Northwest Italy Planning
held at AC HQ on Saturday, 17 Feb 45.

Present: Brigadier Parkinson,
Brigadier Cameron,
Colonel McQuatt,
Lt Col. Orchard,
Lt Col. Bizzozero,
Lt Col. Frizelle,
Major Norman,
Major Carrier.

Brigadier Cameron stated that while his plans were made in respect of military casualties he did not know the exact position regarding Patriots, Prisoners of War and Gruppi. If military medical installations were required to hospitalize such persons his original estimates would have to be very much increased. The Director of the Patriots Branch had informed him that it was only field medical units which would be required to hospitalize such cases in the early stages and they would then be evacuated to Italian Military Hospitals.

Colonel McQuatt thought these cases would be taken care of by Italian Military organizations all along the line.

Brigadier Cameron said that it would be very difficult to evaluate the status of a Patriot. Any wounded person could easily declare himself to be a Patriot. He had written to AFHQ asking for clarification on the whole matter.

Lt Colonel Bizzozero was of the opinion that the whole question of Patriots was a political one and that they should not be hospitalised by the Army but by the Italian Red Cross.

Lt Colonel Frizelle stated that the Italian Red Cross had already sufficient difficulties with shortage of personnel and supplies to deal with their present commitments and he imagined it would be impossible for them to assume any further responsibilities.

Brigadier Cameron asked what AC policy was in the early phases. If the army refused to hospitalize casualties among Patriots, it ought to be in a position to offer alternative accommodation.

Brigadier Parkinson stated that in the early phases the Army had organized field units while AC had nothing until it could obtain control over Civil Hospitals. He thought the casualties should first be treated in the field Units and later evacuated to Civil Hospitals.

Lt Colonel Bizzozero said that he understood the Patriots already had a well organized underground hospital service.

Brigadier Parkinson stated that local arrangements between Army and AC heads of Medical Services should be made locally at Regional level.

Colonel McQuatt stated that an influx of 53,000 Patriots was anticipated at Genoa. This would greatly increase evacuation problems.

2550 patients.

Brigadier Cameron was anxious to have an early working arrangement so as to avoid misunderstanding and confusion when operations began. He feared riots between Fascist and Communist elements.

Major Norman said in his opinion civil casualties should be cared for by civil hospitals but the present problem was to know what accommodation would be found.

Major Carrier stated that he understood two wings of the hospital situated in the centre of Genoa had been damaged.

Brigadier Parkinson said that the usual AC difficulty would be lack of transport.

Major Carrier was of the opinion that he had been promised one ambulance and a number of jeeps.

Brigadier Cameron said that Field Medical Formations would be very few in number. He was anxious to obtain a site for a 1200 bedded Military Hospital.

Brigadier Parkinson remarked that the military generally requisitioned most of the available hospital accommodation and then grumbled at AC for not hospitalising the civil cases.

Major Carrier said that 5000 beds should be available in Genoa.

Brigadier Cameron said that his key plan could be made available to AC.

Lt Colonel Frizelle said that MMIA stated that the Italian Army had two field hospitals forward with the Gruppi. These would take care of Gruppi casualties and evacuate them to Italian Base Hospitals.

Brigadier Parkinson said that all information possible on conditions in NW Italy would be obtained and circulated to members of the meeting.

Lt Colonel Rizzozero emphasized the importance of having immediately available adequate quantities of Medical Supplies.

Brigadier Parkinson said that the Medical Supply Branch had made special arrangements for this.

Major Carrier was of the opinion that the road from Leghorn to Genoa would be destroyed and that all his supplies were coming in by sea.

Colonel McQuatt thought that the Army would be in a better position to afford AC more assistance than had previously been rendered.

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Translation.

From: War Ministry

To: All area commands.

REF: 1/583/SAH.

DATE: 7 FEB. 1945.

M/S/711

Subject: Immediate putting into effect of the passing of management of civilian rationed medical establishments to Italian Red Cross (I.R.C.) and Excellent Order Military Order of Malta (E.M.O.M.).

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In forwarding the enclosed circular, Tech inst no. 1/565, with which is given the order for the immediate putting into effect of the taking over of the civilian rationed establishments, we notify that the Allied Authorities have requested that said taking over be carried out in the shortest time possible; in the case of the contrary, the military personnel attached to the running of the establishments in question must be transferred to mobilised units.

It is therefore ordered that the Military Medical Directorate:-

a. will do everything possible ^{that} for the putting into effect of the taking over of management may take place immediately and continue to be carried on rapidly in the case of all the establishments; this in collaboration

with the Territorial depts. of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.H. 2.

b). W.e.f. the 15th inst they will report weekly to the Directorate-General regarding the handing over of management position in respect of the establishments in their respective areas.

These reports must reach the Directorate-General no later than the 8-17-25-31 day of each month.

Lgd: CALDAROLA.

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Translation.

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from: War Ministry
to: All addressed.

REF: 1/565/SAN.
DATE: 7 FEB. 1945.

Subject: Temporary assumption of management of the civilian rationed medical establishments of the Army by the I. R. C. and E. M. O. M.

As is known, following precise orders of the Allied Authorities, this Ministry instituted medical establishments on civilian rations which had to be employed on the care and recovery:-

1. of sick ~~or~~ convalescent troops belonging to all the State Armed Forces ex-prisoners of war or freed from enemy or ex-enemy territory.

2. of sick or convalescent servicemen of all the State Armed Forces for recuperation or transferred to said establishments, not being entitled to military rations.

This Ministry, in accord with the other military Ministries and the Ministry of the Treasury, has now agreed with the I. R. C. and E. M. O. M. Associations on the gradual assumption of temporary management of the establishments in question, by these associations, listed in enclosure 1, which is liable to decrease or increase, by these Associations.

These agreements have been consolidated

in the enclosed draft of instructions (enclosure 2) ^{4.}
and will become ^{translated to} regular conventions, one with the
I.R.C. and the other with the E.M.O.M.

As the a/m associations are not in a position to perform the duty in question with only the personnel of the "normal roll", the issue is being prepared of a legislative arrangement, the subject of the enclosed draft (enclosure 3), which will institute two "transit rolls" for voluntary enrolment, one for the I.R.C. and the other for the E.M.O.M., intended exclusively for the personnel requirements of the establishments in question, and another legislative arrangement, the subject of the enclosed draft (enclosure 4), which will lower from 40 years to 30 years the minimum age limit for enrolment of military duty personnel in the welfare personnel of the "normal" roll of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M.

In view of the absolute necessity of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. assuming the management in question in the shortest time possible, this Ministry, in agreement with the Ministry of the Treasury, the other military Ministries, and the Associations, informs and orders as follows:-

1) The Associations will immediately put

forward the requests for enrolment in the "Transit rollo" and will ~~not~~ initiate the gradual taking over of management of the establishments, by degrees as the personnel needed are available, although the two conventions may not yet have ~~been~~ stipulated and the legislative arrangements, subjects of enclosures 3 & 4, may not yet be published.

The ~~putting on duty~~ ^{employment}, by the Associations, of the candidates for enrolment in the "Transit rollo" can therefore take place from now, on the grounds of the request with which those concerned will pledge to themselves to ~~carry on duty~~ ^{serve} in the establishments in question for a minimum period of one year. The minimum period of one year's service, for personnel already serving in military establishments, will be calculated w.e.f. the date of the presentation of the request. For those not already serving the minimum period of one year will instead be calculated w.e.f. the date that they ~~take up~~ commence to serve.

As is obvious, the entry on the rolls ~~must~~ will have to be postponed until the forementioned legislative arrangements are in force.

In the employment of the candidates for enrolment, those already serving in the 4036 establishments in question must be selected first, secondly those ~~is~~ on reserve or unlimited leave, and finally those serving in medical

establishments on military rationing

The Medical Directorate will signal urgently to the Associations' Regional Delegates the names of reserve or emergency medical officers who, in their judgement, could assume the functions of Directors of the establishments in question. The Associations will take care to employ personnel in such a manner that the "transit" rolls will afterwards show equal representation of the three Armed Forces of the State.

- 2) The individual Associations, as soon as they are ready to assume the management of an establishment, will give information to that effect to the Military Medical Directorate of the area in which the establishment is located.

The consequent operations of taking over the establishments and the replacement of the personnel will have to be carried out within a maximum limit of ten days. The personnel who become available (militarily) will be transferred to the ~~the~~ Reserve group, Detachment of the Medical Company of the Principal Military Hospital in the Area Command in whose boundaries the establishment lies. The Adjutant Officer may be left at the establishment for a period not longer than a month, principally

in order that he can instruct the Commissariat officer replacing him, from the Associations, in respect of the due allowances to the patients. ~~The~~

The Directorate of Military Health concerned will immediately signal to this Ministry — ~~The~~ Military Medical Directorate General — when the handing over of management of the establishment has occurred, enclosing a report in which ~~will~~ appears: — By name, those of the officers who were serving in the establishment who remain there employed on the request of the Associations; those, ~~also~~ ^{separately}, ~~the~~ who, having become available, have been transferred, as above, to the reserve groups, detachment of the medical company. Numerically the same particulars in respect of the N.C.O.s and other ranks.

3). While waiting for the stipulations of the said conventions, the establishments, gradually taken over by the Associations, will be managed, without fail, provisionally, ~~and~~ ^{the} taking as already executive the instructions in draft, enclosure 2, which will be liable to amendments according to the stipulations of those conventions.

4). The duration of the lying-in-bed period of the patients in the establishments must be limited to the time strictly necessary for the completion of

the cure.

For the granting of convalescent leave to those requiring it and the prescribed compilation of the "Enclosure A", the Medical Directors will delegate a senior medical officer, of ^{sound} ~~good~~ qualifications and specific competency, possibly selecting him from amongst those of the nearest Military Hospitals who have them at their disposal.

Convalescent leave so granted must not exceed 60 days in the case of officers and 90 days in the case of M.C.O.s and O.R.s.

In cases in which troops sent on convalescent leave are held to be in need of supplementary rations, the senior officer delegated will compute, with careful discrimination, the declaration prescribed in Ministerial circular 5106/49 of 15 Nov. 1942.

The Medical Directors will give detailed orders to the civilian rationed establishments managed by the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. under command, that each one of them shall institute appropriate ^{registers} ~~ledgers~~ (conforming to the type enclosure 5) with pages numbered and signed by the Director, in which must be entered by name and counter-signed by the senior medical officer delegated, the medico-legal ^{actions} arrangements taken and the ^{facts} ~~relative~~ information of the relative "Enclosure A" compiled.

Two copies of the entries made and counter-

signed in the said ^{register} ledger will be compiled and from time to time and undersigned by the same delegated officer who will make personal arrangements to send one copy to the competent Medical Directorate for the use as a check, and one copy to the Directorate of the territorial military hospital permanently in the area who will take care to conserve it after registration in the appropriate nominal ledger.

The register above referred to will be carefully looked after by each single civilian rationed establishment to be consigned, when this ceases to function, to the territorial military hospital in the area.

As is obvious, the delegated medical officer delegated to the compiling of the "Enclosure A", in addition to completing that form, in duplicate, will have to take care to note and sign on the front page of the clinical card whether or not the illness is caused through service. It will ^{then} be the duty of the Directorate of the establishment to affix the first copy of the "Enclosure A" to the clinical card and to send the second to the Troop Mobilisation Centre (art. 61. G. I. T. E. M.).

The territorial H.Q.s. will facilitate the assumption of management of the establishments on the part of the Associations, giving them the necessary assistance within the limits laid down in the Decree of the Realm law decrees and the

Convention drafts, appendices 3 and 4.

After the taking over of management the Medical Directorates will continue to arrange the transfer of patients from militarily rationed medical establishments to those civilian rationed, with the vehicles at their disposal and in cases of emergency (sea arrivals etc.) will likewise render all possible assistance with said vehicles.

The Territorial H.Q.s will also order the Garrison H.Q.s to render such assistance under the present rules.

Sgd: ^{for} CASATI ^{Minister}
CAUDAROLA
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Translation

From: War Ministry

Subject: Appendix 1. List of civilian rationed
medical establishments which will
be managed by I.R.C.

See Appendix 1. of circular for
enumerated list. Total 7,122.

List of civilian rationed medical
establishments which will be
managed by E.M.O.M.

As above

Total 1250.

Translation.

ENCLOSURE 2.

From: War Ministry:

Draft of Conditions, for translating into Regular Conventions, for the Temporary Management by the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. of Army Medical Establishments.

- 1). The War Ministry, bearing in mind the orders of A.C. that repatriated prisoners of war must not be patients in military hospitals and that on the other hand A.C. has also ordered that military medical personnel at present serving in hospital units where repatriated prisoners are patients, be transferred, has reached the decision to hand over, temporarily, the management of the medical establishments at present on civilian rations shown in appendix 1 to this convention, liable to increase or decrease, to the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. respectively. The handing over of temporary management of the said establishments will include all the attachments and detachments, real estate and furniture.
- 2). In respect of the individual establishments, the date of assumption of management by the Associations will be laid down by the Medical Directorate of the Area Command of the area in which the establishments lie, in agreement with the

territorial representative of the Association concerned, on the basis of directives which will be issued by the War Ministry, in agreement with the other State Armed Forces and the President of the Associations.

The date of the cessation of management on the part of the Associations will be laid down, in respect of the individual establishments, by the Ministry of War in agreement with the other State Armed Forces, in relation to the cessation of the necessity for such management.

3). Upon the taking over of management of each Establishment on the part of the Associations, separate handing over certificates, in triplicate, will be made out in respect of real estate and furnishings.

The real estate to be handed over and the ~~furnishing~~^{movable} equipment of the buildings and electricity, hydro, hygienic, telephonic, gas, laundry, heating, and cooking installations etc., will be described in detail, with an indication as to their used condition, following the rules of the "Instructions for the use of and maintenance of military estates".

The furnishings will also be ~~mentioned~~^{catalogued}; the following data must appear in the

relative certificate:-

- a). Name of the Establishment.
- b). List of ^{do} permanent ~~equipment~~ ^{stores} as appears on the charge-register of the Establishment, defining the quantity, type, condition, and calculated value based on Ministry of War orders in force relative to the issuing and debiting prices of medical equipment, "A" stores etc...
- c). List and description of the consumable stores, including the medicines, rations, fuels, defining the quantity, quality, state of preservation and the value (the value will have to be determined on the basis of the tariffs and official prices in force in the Army). For articles not on these price lists the value will have to be determined on the basis of considered similarity with the items on the price lists and in the event of this not being possible on the basis of current commercial prices.

Of the three copies of the certificate, one will be retained by the principal military hospital in the area in which the establishment lies, one will be retained by the Association concerned, and the third will be sent to the Ministry of War -

Military Medical Directorate - General.

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The Associations will be bound by the custody laws for real estate and warehousing responsibilities of

furnishings.

At the end of the management of each establishment the condition of the a/m properties must be ascertained to establish agreement between the War Administration and the Association responsible for the eventual damages due to carelessness or lack of regular maintenance.

4). The expendable stores such as medicines, rations, fuels etc., will have to be taken on charge ^{or} of its registers of the Associations in the quantities which exist at the commencement of management.

5). The Associations will be able to use for the patients the hospital clothing, ^{linen} laundry, bedding effects and all the other equipment taken on charge as above; they will, however, be obliged to return them to the Administrations of the M.O.W. at the termination of the management in the same types and quantities, and condition justified by use. Those of said articles which may become unserviceable will be periodically returned to military depots which will in turn issue proper receipts for them which will serve to take them off charge.

6). For the adaption of the installations, for their improvement, and for the fitting out of the establishments and eventual new installations

the Associations will make direct arrangements, up to a maximum expenditure of 100,000 lire for each item and each individual medical establishment. For expenditure ^{in excess of} ~~up to~~ the value of 100,000 lire the previous authorisation of the Ministry of War, Military Medical Directorate - General, will ~~first~~ have to be requested; the Ministry will then make direct arrangements for the execution of the work every time that they consider it necessary; for expenditures exceeding 500,000 lire the agreement of the Control Committee, ref. sec. 24, will also have to be requested.

7) The Associations must will have to prepare the equipping of the Establishments ^{respect} ~~in respect~~ of the articles for equipping the patients, the bedding effects, medical materials etc., drawing some from the appropriate stores (if provided) and through purchase. In either case the relative expenditures ~~will be~~ are charged to the Military Administration. The same rules for its expenditure authorisation apply as in sec. 6.

8) The expenditure on minor upkeep and ordinary maintenance will be directly borne by the Associations up to the value of 100,000 lire for each single piece of work and each establishment, during the period of each year which elapses from the date of its handing over of the establishment to which its

expenditure refers.

The same rules for the authorisation of expenditure apply as in preceding sec. 6.

All the expenses for, light, gas, water, heating, and telephones will likewise be borne directly by the Associations.

The payment of rents and requisition indemnities for buildings requisitioned or rented will continue to be carried out directly by the war Administrations.

9). The Establishments forming the subject of these conventions will be devoted to the recovery and care of sick servicemen, or convalescents belonging to all the State Armed Forces, ex-prisoners of war, or in any way for recovery, or transferred by orders of the Military Authorities.

10). The Associations will arrange for the functioning of the Establishments in the limits of the w.f.s. enclosed with this convention, with the personnel of the "Normal" and "Transit" rolls in the course of being instituted. The w.f.s. of the Establishments can also be filled by Army, Navy, and Air Force personnel appropriately returning from captivity. The w.f.s. quoted are the maximum.

Hence, in practice, the postings of personnel between the limits of those w/fo. will be ordered by the units, to whom granted, referring to real needs of services. In case of necessity the Associations will remain authorised to complete the requirement employing useful personnel - civilians; the relative allowances will be those laid down by decree 100 of the 11 Feb 1937 and subsequent modifications.

Whenever the adapted arrangements prove to be insufficient to meet the personnel requirements of the medical Establishments in question, The Ministry of War in accordance with its other Ministries concerned and the Associations will adopt further arrangements necessary for the quotas of lacking personnel.

1). The N.C.O.s and other ranks entered on the "Transit" rolls of the Associations and those taken in, "ex P.O.W.", referred to in sec 10, upon employment by the F.R.C. and E.M.O.M. will keep the military clothing and equipment ~~with~~ with which they have been issued as shown in their personnel papers. The Associations will arrange for the repairing of said clothing and equipment, handing in to the military depots those which become w/fo, replacing them with similar articles of clothing and equipment of the Associations. ⁴⁰²³
Upon the termination of service with the Associations by the military personnel under command,

the items of equipment, property of the State Armed Forces, not already handed in and replaced as above, will be handed in to the respective military depots in accordance with the rules in force.

12). The ^{Medical} Establishments, subject of this convention, cannot equip themselves with medicines and medical equipment from military drug-stores.

The Associations will therefore request, from the competent Prefectures of the area, medicines and medical equipment supplied by Allied Authorities.

The Prefectures will carry out said requests in relation to the quantities received from the Ministry of the Interior, Directorate-General of Public Health, authorising, in concurrence with, and proportion to, the requests of Civilian Hospitals and other Welfare Units, the direct drawing from, and payment to, ^{the} local wholesalers charged with the distribution.

For medicines and medical equipment not supplied by the Allied Authorities, the Associations will draw on public commercial sources, as is the case of Civilian Hospitals.

13). The rationing will be effected in the measures, and with the methods, laid down, by the Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture, in telegram 488/011 of 9 September 1946, copy enclosed, and by the Ministry

of War, in accordance with said Ministry, with the following arrangements, copy enclosed:-

- a). Circular of the 11th September 1944, no. 9640/s/1 of the Military Commissariat Services Directorate General, & Subsistence Division.
- b). Telegram 4/2881/15. of 8 October 1944 of the Military Medical Directorate General.
- c). Telegram 10811/s/1 of 9 October 1944 of the Military Comm. Services. Dir. Gen - Subs. Div.
- d). Circular 11762/s/1 of 29 October 1944 of the Mil. Comm. Serv. Dir. - Gen. - Subs. Div.
- e). Telegram 95/s/1. of 2 Jan. 1945 of the Mil. Comm. Serv. Dir. - Gen. - Subs. Div.
- f). Letter 1030/s/1 of 14 Jan. 1945 of the Mil. Comm. Serv. Dir. - Gen. - Subs. Div.
- g). Letter 3200/s/1 of 6 Feb. 1945 of the Mil. Comm. Serv. Dir. - Gen. - Subs. Div.
- h). Eventual further orders of the Allied Authorities.
In the case of serious shortages in respect of the supplies on the part of the S.E.P.R.A.L., the Association will immediately notify the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and the Ministry of War.
- i). The military personnel on duty in the E. of the S.E.P.R.A.L., subject of this convention, for a period of eight hours

daily, including the voluntary sisters and nurses, will receive in return a free issue, from supplies from S.B.P.R.A.L. and military ration stores, of the rations, referred to in letter b) above, of the Circular 39/12/44, 1/5757/SAN. of the Ministry of War - Military Medical Directorate General. The employed civilian personnel who will be on continuous duty for at least eight hours will have to be issued with a free meal (morning) after the taking of the corresponding coupon from the "minestrone" ration card.

15). The medicines, medical equipment, and rations, dealt with in preceding secs. 12-13 will be directly purchased by the Associations.

16). The expenses will also be borne directly by the Associations for wages, salaries, indemnities, National Health Insurance, and any other allowance, due to the administrative and welfare personnel employed for the running of each establishment.

17). The personnel of the "normal" roll and "transit" roll who are posted within w/c to the hospitals and convalescent depots dealt with, in the limits of the enclosed w/c's, and who are on full duty ~~therein~~, will be entitled to the following rates of pay: - - - - -

Remainder of Sect. 17. deals with rates

of pay, translation of which was not required

18). Deals with pay and expenses.

19). " " " " " "

20). " " " " " "

21). " " financial responsibilities }
 22). " " " " " " and
 procedure }

23). " " " " " " and

23). " " " " " " and
 respective orders issued in their respects

24). Refers to financial responsibilities and
 procedure, in respect of various types of patient.

25). Continuation in respect of 24 and check committee.

26). Refers to expenditure by the Associations on
 the equipping of the Establishments, its
 justification, and repayment.

27). Organisation and carrying out of inspections
 of the Establishment and payments of inspectors.

28). Amplification on the inspections and
 regulations as to technical control and
 maintenance of real estate & equipment. 4019

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Dealt with as requested.

- 29). The clauses in this convention will also ^{apply} ~~extend~~ to the extent to which applicable, to all the other establishments of which the Ministry of War may hand over the management ^{& the associated} in addition to those listed in Appendix 1.
- 30). The medical Establishments of the Association, civilian rationed, ~~will also be listed in Appendix 1~~ and liable to increase or decrease, will also be added to the care and recovery of the sick dealt with in this Convention. ----- (Carries on to deal with handing over and listing of buildings and equipment and responsibility, maintenance, and expenditure of same.)
- 31). The Ministry of War will issue further detailed instructions for the application of this convention through circulars compiled in accord with the other Military Ministries, the Association, and the Revision and Control Committee, ref. sec 25.
- 32). The orders contained in this convention apply in the respect of Air Force and Navy medical establishments, ^{which may be} handling ex-P.O.W.s; in such case such establishments will be handed
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over for temporary management by the Associations in question.

33). This convention is stipulated solely in the interests of the State and not for the interests of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. in order to profit, or gain registration - exemption from any tax or duty whatsoever, now or in the future.

Ministry of War.

Copy of telegram 488/011 R. of 9 Sept. 1944 with which the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry has laid down the rations for military patients in civilian rationed hospitals.

To units enumerated and for info Ministry of War. 488/011 R. © In agreement with War Ministry we order that patients in military hospitals over thirty days, for whom orders of Allied HQ do not arrange supplies of military rations, shall be assigned same daily rations as patients in civilian hospitals as laid down A.E.C. circular 43/IF of 30 June 44, that is ..

Bread 350 gms, macaroni 100, Sugar 33, tinned milk 100, Olive oil 25, Dried veg. 100, Soup 100, meat extract cubes, in addition ^{MTV also 400 or} tinned meat 200 weekly © We take the opportunity to define equal treatment by purchase for military personnel without ration cards on duty and taking meals at a/c hospitals © For drawing of rations special declaration system confirmed © ©. Confirm ©. BERGONI for Agriculture Ministry. 4016

Translation.

War Ministry, circular 9640/s/1.

14 Sept. 1944.

Subject: Rationing of military patients in medical establishments and not being entitled to military rations.

Following agreements made with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the rationing of persons, more than 30 days patient in hospitals, (including welfare) and not being entitled to military rations, is fixed as follows:-

Food to be purchased from authorised shops following agreement with S.E.R.A.L.

Bread	Grams. 350	
Macaroni	" 100	
Sugar	" 33	
Tim. Milk	" 100	
Olive oil	" 25	
Dried veg.	" 100	
Soup	" 100	
Meat Ex. cubes	no. 1	
Meat & veg. stew	gms. 400	} weekly.
or		
Tim. meat	" 200	4015

Food to be purchased commercially

Fresh greenstuff gms. 350

Fresh fruit grams 150.
 Tomato purée " 5.

Food to be drawn on payment from Military
 Ration Stores

Wine Litre $\frac{1}{4}$
 Salt gms. 15
 Tobacco " 5

In addition to the aforesaid rations the following
 supplement is granted to 10% of patient strength.

Milk	1 litre	} To be purchased commerc- ially.
Vintage wine	10 c. litres (in replacement of public wine ration)	
Egg	1	
Jam	40 gms (on payment from military stores)	

This circular cancels all previous orders
 issued in respect of rationing of the personnel
 in question.

Sgt. P. M. G. R. S.

Copy of War Ministry - Mil. Med. Dir. G. - telegram
4/2887/15 of 8 October 1944.

To Directorate of Military Health. - All -

War Medical 4/~~2887~~²⁸⁷/15 © Further and partial
modification of instructions in 1/3930/SAM of 19 Sept. 44 ©
Notified that supplements already granted in
addition to basic rations laid down for military patients
in civilian hospitals must be extended to all T. B.
patients and to 25% of other patients and not (repeat not)
to only 10% of patients © Ends. War Medical 8/10/44 ©
MAUGERI.

Copy of War Ministry telegram - Dir Gen of Mil Gen. Serv.
of 9 October 1944.

To all Military Area Hqs.

War Commissariat 10811/5/1 to Mil. HA. Puglia and
Lucania, Campania, Calabria, Sicily, Sardinia and
Lazio Umbria and Abruzzi and for info. War Medical ©.
Further to dispatch 9640/51 of 14 Sept. we authorize
distribution to personnel over 30 days patients, weekly
ration, possibly Sundays. 150 grams fresh meat or
fresh fish or fresh milk foods, to be purchased
commercially © For Ministry PERUGIA © 4/16/44.

Copy of Ministry of War Telegram.
Dir. Gen. of Mil. Com. Serv. - Sub. Div. 95/s/1 of 2.1.1945.

War Commissariat R 95/s/1 O To Mil. H.Q. Lazio, Umbria,
Abruzzi, and Puglia, and Lucania, Campania,
Sicily, Sardinia and for info. War Cabinet and War
Medical O Supplementary fresh meat, fish or milk-
food for civilian rationed bed-patient personnel as per
dispatch 10811/st. of 9.10.44 is increased to 200 grams
weekly O. For ministry PELLERA.....

Copy of letter 17.1.1945 of Min. of War, Dir. Gen. of Mil.
Com. Serv., Sub. Div. addressed to all Area H.Q.s and
all Commissariat Directorates.

"In order to complete the energy and vitamin
value of rations for patients in civilian
rationed hospitals it is decided that the
quantity of fresh fruit to be purchased
commercially shall be increased from 150 grams
to 300 grams daily. For the ministry PELLERA"

Copy.

War Ministry.

- Dir. Gen of Mil. Comm. Serv. -
Subs. Div.

Circular No. 11762/S-1.

27/10/44.

Subject: Soap and fuel.

In confirmation of such already ordered in dispatch 5169/c of 2.10.44 we make clear that personnel, bed-patients, rationed by the civilian rations fixed in circular 9040/S-1. of 14 Sept. 44 are entitled to soap and fuel.

These stores will be drawn on payment from ^{the} military stores under present arrangements made for troops.

Lgd. PERUGIA.

Ministry of War.
Dir. Gen. of Mil. Comm. Serv.

3200/5/1.

6 FEB 1945

Subject: Rationing of military patients not having
right to military rations, in medical
establishments.

In partial modification of circular 9640/5/1^{of 14/9/44}, it
is ordered ^{that} the wine ration, to be drawn on
payment from ration stores, for military patients
in civilian rationed hospitals (including welfare
personnel), shall be increased from $\frac{1}{4}$ litre
to $\frac{1}{2}$ litre daily.

Ltd. PELLERIN.

War Ministry

Enclosure 3.

Draft of Lieutenant of the Realm's Legislative Decrees

- See Law 3133 of 20.12.1928 and successive modifications on the instructions for the I.R.C. Association.
- See Royal Decree 111 of 21.1.1928 and successive modifications on the ^{organization} ~~statute~~ of the I.R.C. Association.
- See Royal Decree 484 of 10.2.1936 and successive modifications on the recruiting, status, and advancement of I.R.C. personnel.
- See Law 23 of 4.1.1938 on personnel attached to the running of the ~~IRCS~~ E.M.O.M. Association.
- See The convention between the War Ministry and the E.M.O.M. Association, concerning the recruiting, legal status, and ratio of pay for the Association personnel, laid down on 30.3.1940, and successive modifications.

On the proposal of the Ministry of War in agreement with the Navy, Air, and Treasury Ministries

We have sanctioned and promulgated as follows:-

ART. 1. For ensuring the functioning of special medical establishments found necessary through the present contingencies of war, two "loggia" rolls ^{are} ~~have been~~ instituted for administrative and welfare personnel, one for the I.R.C.

Association and one for the E.M.O.M. Association.
Art. 2. The following service personnel of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, can be entered on the said rolls, on request:-

- a) ~~After~~ being discharged, medical, pharmacist, administration, and commissariat, officers of the discharge class, at present on duty in military medical establishments, over thirty-two years of age, and medical called-up N.C.O.s and medical O.R.s., at present on duty in military medical establishments, who are of the 1917 class or older, or of any class if limitedly fit (graded).
- b) Medical, pharmacist, administration, and commissariat officers of the discharge class, on unlimited reserve, including those ex P.O.W., over thirty-two years of age, and N.C.O.s and O.R.s. ^{medical} on unlimited reserve, including ex P.O.W.s, who belong to the 1917 class or older if fit for unconditional service (A-1); also servicemen fit for sedentary duties or graded, already on reserve or on extraordinary unlimited leave.
- c) Medical N.C.O.s and O.R.s., entered on the special rolls of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M., in the forces, on reserve or unlimited leave, of the 1917 class or older if A-1 or of any class ⁴⁰⁰⁸ graded.

Art. 3. The request for entrance on the "transit" rolls

constitutes an obligation on the part of its candidate for enrolment to serve in the medical establishments in ART. 1. for a period of not less than one year unless in the case of ^{abolishing} ~~annulling~~ of said rolls as referred to in ART. 7 of this decree.

ART. 4. The entering of officers on the "transit" rolls will be effected through ^{hierarchical} decrees on the proposal of the War Ministry, further to their being named by the President of the Association concerned. The entering of H.C.O.s and O.R.s. will be effected upon approval by territorial depts. of the Associations after approval by the Area Military H.Q. in the case of the Army, Maritime H.Q.s for the Navy, and Air Ministry for the Air Force.

The number of entries will be limited to the needs of administrative and welfare personnel in the medical establishments in ART. 1, in respect of the relative w.e.

To these ends, the number of w.e. vacancies of the "transit" rolls of the I.R.C. and E.M.O.M. respectively will be laid down, detailed by rank, by Ministry of War decrees in concert with the Ministry of the Treasury.

The transfer to reserve, laid down by ART. 2 for the entering of troops ~~into~~ on service, will be effected w.e.f. the same date as the decree or approval of entry.

ART. 5. The Associations can employ, for all purposes, in the establishments in ART. 1., the candidates for enrolment, before the procedure of entry on the rolls, in their respect, may be finished; if the troops are on active service this provisional employment can take place after approval of the competent Military Area H.Q. for the Army, Naval H.Q. for the Navy, of the Air Ministry for the Air Force.

ART. 6. The ~~personnel~~ personnel on the "transit" rolls will be subject to the relative rules for mobilisable personnel of the Associations, in so far as applicable, as quoted in the references made in the heading of this decree. Personnel who cease for any reason whatsoever to be included in these rolls will be notified by the Associations to the Authorities who gave the necessary approval, in ART. 4 & 5, so that arrangements may be made to recall them to the service or leave them in the position of reserve or unlimited leave, according to their position at the time of being entered on said rolls. Service personnel referred to in ART. 5, who before entry on the a/m rolls cease in any way to assume duties in the medical establishments in ART. 1. must in the same

may be notified to the said Authorities who will arrange, as above, for the regularising of their military position.

ART. 7. The date of the abolition of the "transit" rolls will be determined by the Ministry of War, in agreement with the Treasury, Naval, and Air Force, Ministries, and the President of the Associations, in relation to the cessation of the necessity for which the establishments and rules in ART. 1. were instituted.

ART. 8. The relative procedures to requests for entry on the "transit" rolls will be shown in the enlistment posters which will be published by the Associations in agreement with the War, Navy, and Air Force, Ministries.

Appendice I.
Allegato n. 1.

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare
Divisione I - Sezione 1^a

ELENCO DEGLI STABILIMENTI SANITARI A RAZIONAMENTO CIVILE CHE SARANNO GESTITI DALLA C.R.I.

hist of civilian rationed medical establishments
which will be managed by I.R.C.

CAMPANIA: - Ospedale C.R.I. - Pozzuoli

Capacità
posti-letto

CAMPANIA: - Ospedale C.R.I. - Pozzuoli - - - - -
TOTALE

PUUGLIL:

OSPEDALI MILITARI	Altamura	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Andria	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Giovinazzo	----
CENTRO RIDUZIONE MUTILATI	Giovinazzo	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Massafra	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Santeramo	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Mosagne	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	"Diaz" Lecce	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	"Acanfore" Taranto	----
OSPEDALI C.R.I.	Modugno	----
OSPEDALI C.R.I.	Valenzano	----
CONVALESCENZIARIO	Truppa Galatina	----
CONVALESCENZIARIO	Ufficiali Conversano	----
CONVALESCENZIARIO	Truppa Nardò	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	"di Venore" Barù	----
CONVALESCENZIARIO	Corigliano	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Gioia del Colle	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Canosa	----
OSPEDALI MILITARI	Molfetta	----
TOTALE		----

CALABRIA: - Ospedale C.R.I. Reggio Calabria - - - -
TOTALE

SICILIA:

LAZIO: - Ospedale C.R.I. "Cesare Battisti" Roma

Convalescenziario Ufficiali Convalescenziario
530
150
550
425
182
275
5.672
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CALABRIA: - Ospedale C.R.I. Reggio Calabria - - - - -
120
120
=====

SICILIA: - Ospedale Militare Catania - - - - - 300
Ospedale Militare S.Lorenzo Colli Paler
no - - - - - 400
===== 700
=====

LAZIO: - Ospedale C.R.I. "Cesare Battisti" Roma 300
Ospedale C.R.I. "Leoniano" Roma - - - - - 80
===== 380
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TOTALE GENERALE 7.122

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ELENCO DEGLI STABILIMENTI SANITARI A RAZIONAMENTO CIVILE CHE SARANNO
gestiti dal S.M.O.M.

CAMPANIA: -

Ospedale Militare "Scuola G.Arcoleo" 200
Napoli - - - - -
Ospedale Militare "Albergo dei Poveri"
Napoli - - - - - 400 (in appront.)
===== 600
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LAZIO: - Centro Mutilati - Clinica S.Carlo-Roma
200
200
=====

CALABRIA: - Ospedale Militare Cosenza - - - - - 450
===== 450
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TOTALE GENERALE 1.250

2.00

ORGANICO PER GLI STABILIMENTI SANITARI A RAGIONE DI CIVILI

C.R.I. E DEL S.M.O.I.

W.E. for the civilian rationed medical establishments

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R.I. E DEL S.M.O.L.

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ai tipi delle malattie, al genere degli ammalati ecc.

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ations, types of illnesses, nature of the patients etc.

Subject: Convalescent Depot - Casino

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MILA)
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Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

1. Please arrange to open a Convalescent Depot at Casino with initial accommodation for 100 patients and further expansion as tentage becomes available.
2. U.S. strength 3 officers, 4 Sisters, 19 other ranks. Personnel will be made available from Red Convalescent Depot (Rard) which is now closing.
3. Two marquee tents will be sent from the Medical Depot Naples to Casino. On relief, 247 Field Hospital now at Casino will close. Further instructions regarding its future employment will be issued. For the present it will remain attached and at the disposal of M 209 DIVE

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W. J.
Major,
D. A. D. M. S.,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MILA)

Copy to: MILA L. O. 1 District (2 - one for DMS. Please inform this office when 247 Field Hospital is relieved.)

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Major,
D. A. D. H. S.
Land Force Det Camp. AC. (MIA)

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COPY to: MIA L.O. 4 District (2 - one for MIA. Please inform this
office when 247 Field Hospital is relieved.)

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Subject: Medical Arrangements - ItaliansRESTRICTED

Hq GI Area CTR.

To: DDMS, 1 District.

M/25.

14 Feb 45Copy to: HQ, GI Area.H/Q, XXXXX, 209 Division. (with translation)Major KEGGIE, RAMO, MIA.CC, Italian Territorial Military Hosp, ANCONA. (with translation)

On the subject of Italian Military Hospitals and Convalescent Depots, a Conference took place on 10 Feb 45 between General GALBAROLA, Director General of Medical Services, Italy (stationed with Italian Government, Rome); Lt-Col CIODARO, CC, Italian Territorial Military Hospital, ANCONA; Major KEGGIE, RAMO, attached MIA, Rome and ALMS, GI Area.

(i) Italian Convalescent Depot.

Re-siting of 247 Italian Military Field Hospital, OSIMO, was discussed; together with the retention of the premises at present occupied by the hospital for the purpose of establishing a Convalescent Depot, to be equipped and staffed through MIA sources. The depot could take up to 100 in its present buildings and there is room for expansion in the grounds nearby. Major Keggie is of the opinion that he can obtain Italian tents and have them sent to OSIMO to be ready for any expansion which may be required.

*Don't see in Depot ✓
get tents ✓*

(ii) Italian Territorial Military Hospital, ANCONA.

This hospital increased 10 Feb 45 to 224 beds and it is hoped by about 16 Feb 45 to have a bedstate of 300. This is being made possible by requisitioning 69 VLAIR DELLA VITTORIA to accommodate the remaining 76.

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Not possible with MIA tents

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(iv) Ambulances and Vehicles.

The question of ambulance cars and their distribution were discussed. General GARDINIA is of the opinion that vehicles will be provided, ~~although~~ in small numbers, but he feels that soon there will be enough to deal with the situation. When the vehicles arrive from ROME at "G" Medical Stores, RIMINI, this office will be notified and the information forwarded.

(v) Admission of Italian Co-operators to Italian Military Hospitals.

In accordance with AMHQ booklet on Administration of Italian PW and Co-operators in British hands dated 15 Nov 44, Italian Co-operators will be admitted to British Military Hospitals if no Italian wings exist.

No Italian Hospital wings exist in this theatre and the question of admission

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of Co-ops centers, particularly those awaiting discharge on medical grounds, raised a strong protest from AHA Representative. He quoted the policy as laid down by ABHQ and it is felt that, until this policy is changed by higher authority, no alteration in the principle should be made.

(vi) Arising out of the Conference.

- (a) It is felt that soon the accommodation of sick, the movement of convalescents to OSMSO and the proper distribution of drugs and equipment and the increase of bed-stretches generally, will be satisfactory.
- (b) Major Huggie assured the Conference that in Rome there is reasonable equipment in the way of beds, etc. ready for distribution when fuller need arises.
- (c) It was agreed that General CALABROIA and Major HUGGIE should approach the proper Italian authorities for the necessary instructions for the movement of 247 Italian Military Field Hospital, for the provision of an Italian Convalescent Depot at OSMSO and for the distribution of equipment, etc.

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H. H. Hamelly
Colonel,
A.D.A.S.

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Colonel.
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Subject: Italian Military Casualties.

REAR HQ EIGHTH ARMY, COM.

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Feb 45.

DDMS 5 Corps

10 Corps

1 Cdn Corps

2 Pol Corps

ADMS 85 Army area

Copy: DMS, AFHQ.

DDMS 15 Army Group

DDMS 13 Corps

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1. follows:-

Italian Military casualties should be dealt with as

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(i) Will initially be treated in the Med Units of the Combat Cp or the auxiliary Med Units in support of Combat Cps. When evacuation rearward of these units is necessary, the sick and wounded should follow the normal channel of casualty evacuation in the Corps under whose command they are placed, as shown in sub-para (ii) below.

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- Evacuation to Med installations in 1 Dist will be undertaken by Army in collaboration with DMS 1 Dist.
- (iii) Neuro-surgical, Maxillo-facial and traumatic eye cases will be admitted to 66 Gen Hosp.
- VD cases will as far as possible be held and treated in the Combat Cps or auxiliary Med Units.
- Psychiatric cases will not be retained in the Army area.
- (iv) Only minor cases, suitable for MU in a day or so, should be held in non-Italian Med Units.
- (a) Italian Int. LO's att Brit Units.
- These personnel carry on Italian military officers pass which is stamped and signed on the reverse by CSI (B) Branch Eighth Army. They will be treated in all respects as Brit casualties.

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Sheet No. 2.

(C) Personnel of 228 Italian Div.

Personnel of all Italian Units administered by 228 Italian Div should be treated in Italian Fd Hosps of their own formations, except in an emergency when they may be admitted to any Med Unit. Brit amb cars may be used for their evacuation.

The Italian Fd Hosps are located as follows:-

291	290 Italian Fd Hosp	-	LANO
	298 Italian Fd Hosp	-	CESENA.

(D) Personnel of the BANDA MARELLA

Will follow the same channels of evacuation as the sick and wounded of the formation under whose command they are.

If evacuated rearward of Corps areas provisions of para 1 (a) (ii) above will apply to BANDA MARELLA casualties.

2. Italian Partisans who are in possession of the Partisan Circulation Pass published as appx "A" to Eighth Army M.A.L. 263/44 will be treated in the same way as personnel of Italian Combat Gps - see para 1 (a) above.

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Brigadier,
D.D.M.S. EIGHTH ARMY.

Subject: Blood Transfusion Service

CONFIDENTIAL

Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MIA)

ROME

14/5/55

13 Feb 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Reference your letter 4/283/L.S. of 5 Feb 45 to MIA and your letter 4/544/L.S. of 7 Feb 45 to Territorial Medical Directorate, copy to MIA.

1. In both the above quoted letters reference, it is stated that blood donors will receive a recompense in the form of extra rations.

In the final paragraph of the letter 4/283/L.S. it is stated that "however, there remains the question of nutritive compensation to the donors, either civilian or military, for whom no will send, as requested by MIA, the quantities of foodstuff deemed necessary".

2. There is no authority for any such statement. The question of some reward for blood donors was discussed with MIA. Vanetti on or about 6 Jan 45. He suggested that this might take the form of extra rations. He, Vanetti was informed that there was no great hardship involved in taking 300 - 500 cc blood from a healthy donor. Fluid replacement and rest for 24 hours are all that it is considered necessary.

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W. J.

Major,
D. A. D. M. S.
Land Forces Sub Com. M. (MIA)

Copy to: A/Q

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Translation.

FROM: War Ministry
TO: M.M.A. for info.

M/51568

REF: 4/314/1-S.
DATE: 7 Feb. 1946.

Subject: Blood-Group testing of all Medical personnel. 51

With the object of re-organising and reforming the groups of voluntary blood-donors in the Territorial military hospitals and field ~~not~~ medical units, it is ordered that blood group testing of all medical personnel, officers included, will be carried out with all possible speed.

This testing will have to be carried out in the biological laboratories of the military hospitals and must be entrusted to personnel selected from those particularly competent technically. In this respect, the Chief Medical Office of Combat Groups and Divisions will make agreements with the Medical Directorates of the respective Territorial commands or with the Directorates of the nearest Military Hospitals.

The ~~needs for~~ requirements of "sieri-tisto emodiagnostici" must be notified to this Directorate-General who will arrange for the assignation.

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The medical officer in charge of
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the testing must sign the result and make the correct entry in the personal documents of each soldier and in the appropriate register kept in the laboratory in which the test has been made. The entry should also be shown in the identity card of each soldier.

Moreover, ~~the~~ a copy of the results obtained will have to be sent to the units to which the troops belong.

After the blood-group testing, the selection of voluntary universal donors ^(Group O) must be carried out by the Directorates of the Military Hospitals and H.Q.s and Directorates of the Field Medical Units, bearing in mind that the volunteer groups must be constituted as follows:-

- for each Military Hospital, 20 Donors.
- " " Medical Section, 25 " "
- " " ~~Field~~ Field Hospital, 12 " "

For the forming of such groups of voluntary universal donors it will be necessary to transfer troops between the various medical formations of one unit.

For all troops who offer themselves as such voluntary donors, "sérologique" tests for ~~fever~~ ^{plague} ~~meas~~ and radioscope examinations of the

thorax, must be carried out in the nearest Military Hospital, besides the eventual "emascopico" examination for malaria off such subjects as it may be considered necessary.

Further communication regarding the eventual reimbursement and supplementary food as compensation to the donors ~~will be~~ forwarded.

Please ensure compliance,

Sgd: CALDAROLA.

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Translation. *Pentagon* *12/2* FileFrom: 14 of W
to: 144 122.

Ref No 4/283/1.5

Date: 5 Feb 45

Organisation of a blood transfusion centre.

Further to letter 85/1.5 Dated 14 Jan. 45.

1. This General Directorate, shares the views of 144 122 about the formation of a blood transfusion centre for the Italian troops, and has examined the propositions contained in A/M letter and have sent to BARI two medical officers who are well versed in the subject, to visit and study the organisation of the 5th British Unit for blood transfusion and discuss the matter with the 40 of said centre.

1/ Col WOLSTENHOLME and his ^{Adjutant} ~~overse~~ Capt. C. CAMERON. These officers have been able to view the whole of the equipment and the perfect organisation of the BARI centre and had a very wide exchange of views with the British officers.

2. The formation of a collecting center for blood and the preparation of blood plasma in Rome would ~~will~~ without doubts, be very convenient for the successive distribution of same to Italian units, but, owing to the complete lack of 3995 military laboratory fitted for the purpose, a complete technical equipment would be required and this is extremely difficult to obtain from civilian commerce.

The following are needed. Icebox - Thermostat - centrifuge - separators - filters - storing bottles - Rubber tubes and taps - needles - glass ware etc a certain time will also be required for the training of the personnel (Medical and technical)

3. To produce the quota of liquid plasma which according to request by MHA, must be produced weekly we think that it will be necessary to ~~dispose~~^{use} of a large number of Blood donors. As a matter of fact on the bases that an Italian donor cannot give more than 300 cc each time a total of 416 blood donors would be required each week to attain the ceiling of 100. bottles of plasma each of 500 cc weekly. And since each donor can give blood once every two months we would need a grand total of 33000 donors to be used in rotation. This without considering the negative factors such as (illness and misc. absences)

for a similar no of donors it would be necessary to have about 5000 to 6000 donors at our disposal in order to eliminate the donors who are unfit owing to blood group or physically (syphilis - tuberculosis - Malaria etc) and it is at the time impossible to obtain such a number of donors in the military circles of Rome and this would ~~require~~ necessitating the taking of blood from donors of other areas or rely on civilian voluntary donors.

for the collection of Blood ^{outside Rome} or mobile ^{U.S.} room properly equipped for the work intended.

4) About the compensation to be given in return for the blood we consider that the more apt and which would be more welcomed by the donors could be composed of an adequate nutritive supplement (meat, fat, soap ingredients) this in consideration of the actual state of malnutrition in which are the Italian people, Such increase of rations would have to be granted by the allies

5) The writer considers necessary that the donor be subject to a least 1 Wasserman reaction, chest test beside the normal test for suspected malaria

6) since it is known by us that in the Public medical superior Institute of Rome there is a laboratory well equipped for the collection of Blood and for the preparation of plasma we suggest that the mentioned centre be started there, even, only to produce on a reduced scale at the beginning.

Officers well versed in the matter could be sent to this laboratory by the U.S.

There however remains the question of nutritive compensation to the donors either civilians or military for whom we will need, as suggested by M.M.A., the quantities of foodstuff deemed necessary.

R. Hamfield

CALDAROLO

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Subject: Sickness Rate - Italian Service Units

Land Forces Sub Comm.

A.C. (MMIA)

ROME

M/5/447

3 Feb 45

MMIA L.O. 5th Army (Br Incr) (3)

Attached copy of instructions just published
by Ministry of War, Medical Directorate are forwarded
for information and in answer to previous enquiries
(not by all) on this subject.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.

Copy to: MMIA L.Os, 5th Army
8th Army
1 District
3 District
Naples
54 Area

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copy translation

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Ref: 14.1/ML di prot.

27 Jan 45.

To: All Medical Directorates,

Copy: idm for information

Subject: Medical Procedure where Patient is Ordered Rest in
Barracks or Light Duties

Units recently have reported a large number of cases where the soldiers are given Attend 'C' (Housed Duty) or Attend 'B' (Light Duty) for periods up to 30 days.

As regards to this we judge necessary to establish some ruling to be applied by the Medical Directorates, Military Territorial Commands, Heads of Medical Offices of Divisions and C.Os. of units, each in the scope attributed to them, they also will carry out the preparation and posting of those rules and see that they are carried out.

The Army regulations do not fix a maximum duration of periods for which the soldier might be given Attend 'C' or Attend 'B' because it is implicit that those cases should be of short duration as the patient can only suffer from slight ailments curable at the unit.

Notwithstanding, we judge advisable to issue the following instructions to avoid any further repetition of those cases and also uncertainty in the action of young medical officers.

The maximum duration of period for which the soldier is given Attend 'C' is hereafter fixed at 4 days, after the days the soldier reports sick, after which, should the soldier still suffer from his ailment, he will be sent to the Company M.I. Room or sick bay unless he can be given a further period of Attend 'B' for another 4 days following the period he was granted Attend 'C'.

The period of sickness of a soldier for slight ailments or slight wounds which would cause the Attend 'C' or Attend 'B' rules to be applied, must not exceed 8 days, after which, if the soldier should still suffer, he will always be sent to the Corps M.I. Room for admission.

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The above principles will be applied taking into consideration the availability of beds, of transport and location of the unit.

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PEL MINISTRO

R.to F. Caldarella

P..... C C.
IL COLONNELLO MED. CAPO DIVISIONE
(M. Mageri)

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Translation.

From: M of W

Ref No 141/M. 44

Date: 27 Jan 45.

To: M. A. for Information.

All Medical Directorates - ~~Att~~

For information M. A.

Medical case where the patient is ordered
Rest in barracks or light duties.

M/S/422

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Subject: Requisitioning of Material belonging to
the RANIERI Firm.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. E. I. A.) ROME
AS/10

(Feb 1945

To: Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command.

Reference your 205 Q dated 28 Jan 1945.

1. Further information has been received through the Ministry of War regarding the requisitioning of materials and machinery belonging to the Firm of RANIERI. Attached is a translated copy of a letter submitted by this Firm to the Ministry of War giving full details.
2. It is requested that the items listed should be returned to the Firm, together with the timber, which has not yet been converted, as agreed in para 4 of your letter.
3. With reference to your para 2, it would appear that Dr. Poppi, the civilian representative of the Prefect, did not consult the Ministry of War before agreeing to the requisition. This matter is being investigated with the Ministry of War, who are being requested to ensure in future that cases such as this which are inimical to the war effort shall not re-occur.
4. Reference para 5 of your letter, it is pointed out that action for return of sufficient materials to complete urgent work already in hand for the Ministry of War on our behalf, was taken by this HQ as follows:-
 - 20 January - Telephone conversation DADOS MMIA with ADOS RAAC.
 - 22 January - Telephone conversation Staff Capt. Q MMIA with Staff Capt. Q RAAC.
 - 24 January - Further telephone conversation DADOS MMIA with ADOS RAAC.
5. In addition, two crates, part of a mobile bath equipment, were removed. These were property of Italian Ministry of War and this removal in contrary to AFHQ circular No. 29 of 9 December 1944.

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Copy to: Ministry of War
Medical, MMIA.

for: J. Noan
Major General
M.E.I.A. 3988

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Lt. Col. Cooper

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COPY TRANSLATION

From: Firm of Raffaele Ramieri, Via dei Conciatori 26.

To: Ministry of War.

Date: 27 Jan 1945.

We would inform you that in the recent requisitioning carried out at the workshops of M/Mario and Via dei Conciatori, in addition to nearly all the iron plates and the whole of the timber, the following machinery was also taken away:

1. Timber Ribbon-saw	1
2. Heavy Wood plane	1
3. Light Wood plane	1
4. Lathes - prismatic base	2
5. Vertical drills	3
6. Trestles, portable with 3 ton differential	1
7. Drills	2
8. Emery wheel	1
9. Forges with electric ventilators	2
10. Work benches	18
11. Vices	12
13. Various forging tools	1

The above materials were taken, partly to Cecchignola in the area of the Military Prison, and partly to Tor Sapienza to the ex Innocenti workshops.

The greatest harm has been done to us by the requisitioning of the wood working machinery in numbers 1, 2, and 3 above (above all the heavy plane which it will not be possible to replace).

We are relying on the help of the Ministry to recover at least the machinery, the lack of which has put the M/Mario workshops (that in which work being done for the Directorate was carried out) in the position of being absolutely unable to recommence work; work which was suspended while local damage, caused by the bombing of May last year, was being repaired.

Sgd. ??????????
RAMIERI

N.B. Of the materials belonging to War Ministry, only two camp-bath crates have been taken away.

Subject: Requisitioning.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R C M B
HQ/10

24 Jan 1945

To: Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command.

Reference translated copy of attached letter 6/367/467 dated 19 Jan 45.

1. As this firm of DITTA RASIERI is carrying out essential work, it is requested that the materials and machinery belonging to this firm should not be requisitioned.
2. An undertaking has been given to A.F.H.Q. by this HQ that certain medical requirements for the Italian Army will be supplied from Italian resources. This undertaking was based on a contract arranged by the Ministry of War with this firm. If these materials are removed the Ministry of War, as stated in their letter, will be unable to carry out their undertaking and the necessary medical requirements will therefore have to be supplied from Allied Resources.
3. You are requested to investigate and inform this HQ how the matter stands.

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P. P. Parrell
P. P. PARRELL, J/Coad.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: Ministry of War,
Med. MMIA ✓

25/1/45
25/1/45
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COPY TRANSLATION

From Ministry of War

Ref No.: 6/367/467

To : MMIA

Date : 19 Jan 45

Subject: Requisition of Material belonging to RANIERI Firm.

This Directorate have contracted the RANIERI firm for the following works:-

1. Manufacture of thirty mobile baths. This work is already well advanced.
2. Preparation of 1 mobile dental centre.
3. Repairs to 2 water purifier trailers.
4. Repairs to 3 GIANNOLI Disinfectors (motor drawn).
5. Repairs to 9 RANIERI Mobile baths.
6. Repairs to 1 motor-bath on CEIRANO CHASSIS.

On the 15/1/45, the entire stock of wood at the disposal of this firm was requisitioned by orders of R.A.A.C., APO 794, U. S. Army for the benefit of ADCS Depot ROME. The major part of this wood has already been withdrawn from the firms w/shops at VIA TORREVECCHIA 18. On the other hand, an Allied Officer has told the firm that they were forbidden to use or remove any other materials as all the existing material was to be requisitioned.

It is obvious that under such conditions the firm cannot carry out the contracts with this Ministry. Since there is no other reliable firms in Rome to which this work can be given. (The RANIERI firm has been working for the Italian Army for over 30 years.) We would be grateful to MMIA to take the necessary steps to intervene at R.A.A.C. to enable the firm to carry out this work.

The same firm is also under contract from Arty General Directorate and the Italian Red Cross.

CALAROLA

Subject: Medical Administration - Italian Army

Lead Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MIA)
H.Q.

11/3/1950

24 Jan 1950

R.D.M.S.
HQ 1 District

1. Reference your letter 40/4176/A of 17 Jan 45.

Your instructions to hospitalize Italian casualties from the Combat Groups in British hospitals as an emergency measure is noted. Unfortunately the supporting auxiliary units had not quite completed their equipping from British sources when German troops went into the line. Four Field Hospitals (now known as Evacuation hospitals - each 200 beds) are complete and in the process of moving into 6th Army and the L. of C. areas.

It is suggested that at least one of these hospitals should be placed in the Anzacs area as a holding unit pending evacuation of Italian casualties by hospital ship. This will obviate the necessity for hospitalization in British units. If accommodation in buildings is not available for four hospitals (Nos. 230, 231, 429 and 919) are equipped with tents for 200 patients. A further six hospitals (each 200 beds) are now in the process of equipping.

2. Reference your letter 10/417/A of 19 Jan 45. It is not considered advisable to issue from this L. C. an instruction reserving certain Italian hospitals only for L. of C. troops, or vice versa that the auxiliary hospitals of the Combat Force should be reserved for combat troops only. If conditions in any particular area make such instructions necessary then the British formation under whose command the units are placed, or in whose areas they are operating should issue instructions to the appropriate Italian command through MIA L. C., or British Medical Units. A copy of these instructions should be sent to MIA in order that Ministry of War can co-operate with any arrangements required in the L. of C. areas.

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2. Reference your letter 12/11/44 of 19 Jan 45, it is not considered
advisable to issue from this L. C. an instruction reserving certain Italian
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of the United States should be reserved for combat troops only.

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then the British Government under whose command the units are placed, or in
whose areas they are operating should issue instructions to the appropriate
Italian command through MILA L. C., or British Liaison Units. A copy
of these instructions should be sent to MILA in order that Ministry of War
can co-ordinate with any arrangements required in the L. C. of G. areas.

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N. C. Hagg

Major,
L. C. Liaison Unit,
United States Army, AD, (MIL)

Copies to:

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LAC 15 Army Group

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SUBJECT: - Italian Hospitals

24 HQ No 1 DISTRICT
Tel: Ext 5105

DADMS
Land Forces Sub-Commission
A.C. (MMIA).

1D/417/M
19 JAN 45

M/5/261

1. The position regarding the Italian Hospitals does not appear to me to be clear nor clearly understood.

I have as explained -in my No 1D/417B/M dated 17 JAN 45, arranged in conjunction with DDMS EIGHTH ARMY, for all casualties from the COMBAT GROUPS under command to be admitted to BRITISH General Hospitals until such time as Italian General Hospitals arrive on the scene.

2. The other Italian Hospitals in this District, viz: 521 Field Hospital at FRASSINETTO and Italian Military Hospital in PERUGIA on the WEST side of the District and 247 Field Hospital in OSIMO and Italian Military Hospital in ANCONA on the EAST side for Italian L of C Personnel.

3. I think a Directive on these lines from your HQ to all concerned would help to clarify the position.

J. W. W. Higgins

BRIGADIER 3983
DDMS

JAW/jhc

Copies to: LO MMIA & DISTRICT
DMS AFHQ
DDMS Rear EIGHTH ARMY

Subject: Sideways Rate - Italian Labour Units

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Land Forces Sub Com.

A.C. (MIL)

ROME

3/5/287

24 Jan 25

Ministry of War,
Divisione Generale di Sanità Militare

Reference Ministry of War letter 14.1/10. of 17 Jan 25 and further MIL letter W/5/164. of 15 Jan 25.

1. It appears that an Italian medical officer can award "Excused Duty" or "Light Duty" for an indefinite number of days to a soldier reporting sick but remaining in unit lines with some minor ailment.
2. A few instances of 30 days "Excused Duty" have been reported. This is obviously contrary to the spirit of Italian regulations and a man unfit for this period should really have a medical board and be placed in a lower medical category.
3. It is regretted that the notion of a few medical officers has necessitated this correspondence, but it is requested that orders will be issued by you to all Italian formations under Allied command limiting the award of "Excused Duty" or "Light Duty" to a definite period. (It is 24 hours in the British Army although transport or dispersal may not make this always possible).
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W.H.

Major,
D. A. S. F. S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MIA)

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Copy to: MIA L.O. 5th Army (for info)

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Translation

Ref 141/M.L.

Date 17.1.45

From: HQ of W
To: M.M.A.

Subject: Proportion of Sick in It Lab. Units

Re your M/5/164 dated 15.1.45
please note that -

1. Among the treatments that a Unit M.O. can order, in accordance with Para 555 of the Regulations regarding Territorial Medical Services, there are also those of "Rest in Barracks" during a suitable period of time, and "interval duties" which entails exemption from training, fatigues and armed guard duties.
 2. The a/c Regulations do not stipulate the maximum number of days during which a soldier can be ordered to "rest" but since such treatment is only ordered in the case of minor ailments which do not necessitate admittance to hospital or Sick bay it is evident that it can only be for a few days.
- In fact, in practice the period rarely exceeds 5 to 7 days, except in exceptional cases when for some

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reasons it can be extended for an
in determinate no. of days

3. Regulations on Branch Services
stipulate that when there is more
than one M.O., the duty M.O. for
the week will daily visit those
patients to ^{whom} ~~rest~~ in Branches, ^{has been given}.

It is within the M.O.'s powers to
order, in each individual case,
according to the ailment suffered,
the patient to report daily to the
191 Room for whatever treatment
may be necessary.

(Sga) CALDIAROLA





Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE DI SANITA' MILITARE

Divisione II^a Sec. II^a
Prot. N.° 141/ML. Allegati

OGGETTO : Aliquota di ammalati presso Reparti italiani lavora-

tori.

Verbale di Rich. in Mater. Sanit. Milit.

e, per conoscenza:

AL GABINETTO - UFFICIO C.A.
Sezione Interpreti
(Rif. traduzione 408/C del 16 c.m.)

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18/1 S E D E

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comunica:

- 1)- Fra le determinazioni che l'ufficiale medico del corpo o reparto può adottare, a mente del paragrafo 555 del Regolamento sul servizio sanitario territoriale, vi sono anche quelle di "riposo in caserma" per un adeguato periodo di tempo, e di "servizio interno" che comporta l'esclusione dalle istruzioni pratiche, dai servizi faticosi e dalla guardia armata.
 - 2)- Detto regolamento non fissa il numero massimo dei giorni per i quali un militare può essere messo a "riposo": è però evidente che, essendo il provvedimento motivato da affezioni di lieve entità, che non richiedono né cure ospedaliere, né ricovero in infermeria, esso non può essere che di breve durata.
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Roma, 17 gennaio 1945

Alla LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

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- 3)- Nelle "Norme per il servizio di caserma", quando più ufficiali vi disimpegnano il servizio, è previsto che l'ufficiale medico di settimana visiti giornalmente i militari a riposo in Caserma.
Ordinariamente è in facoltà del medico del Corpo o Reparto, caso per caso, ed in relazione alla infermità presentata dal militare, disporre che lo stesso si presenti giornalmente alla Infermeria per le cure di cui avesse bisogno.

PEL MINISTRO
(F. Caldarola)

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translati
W. H. H. H.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND

No.

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SUBJECT: Sickness Rate.

MMIA LO
British Increment (A Branch)
Rear HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

510/6/2

17 Jan 45

MMIA HQ

Copy to:- ADMS (Br Incr)
ADL

Reference your M/5/163 of 15 Jan 45.

On information received from ADL and in conjunction with the ADMS Br Incr, I had already tackled this problem with my letter 510/3/A (copy attached).

231 Div has already issued a direction to its Sub-Unit Commanders and (through Delgazine 'T') to all MO's.

I should be glad to have the information requested by you from the Ministry of War in your M/5/164 of 15 Jan.

*Pending File. In receipt of
AMN/HLH reply on M/5/164 of 15 Jan. M. W. A. m. new
Sent 3 copies of ~~translation~~ translation
to heading.*

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Capt.,
MMIA LO,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

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SUBJECT: Wastage of Labour

ISITA 10
British Increment (A Branch)
Rear HQ Fifth Army
CSP

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

510/3/A

8 Jan 45

231 Div

Copy to:- ADAS Br Incor Fifth Army
ADL " " " "

I am informed by ADAS British Increment that in many units under your command an alarming wastage of labour is being caused by men reporting sick on very slight pretexts. This state of affairs is considerably aggravated by the readiness of Medical Officers to excuse men from work altogether or to give them light duty.

In view of the serious manpower shortage, please ensure that Medical Officers, while not being unduly harsh, do not show too great leniency at sick parades.

Capt.,
ISITA 10,
British Increment,
Fifth Army.

A.M./H.H.

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Ref No 55/15.

14th January 1945

From M. of H.

To M. M. S. H.

for information.

Subject: Organisation of scheme for transfusions
of blood.

With reference to letter M/4/93 dated 8th January 1945, The Directorate General is now studying a scheme for the organisation of a laboratory for the production of liquid blood plasma, in accordance with your letter contained in above mentioned letter.

We shall inform you at the earliest possible time, exactly as to what has been organised, also the quantity of food stimulants required for blood donors.

We hereby inform you that with reference to the kind of request from M. M. S. H., two medical officers whom are particularly well versed with the matter will go to Bari to contact Lt Col J. Wolfenholme, and supervise the organisation of the laboratory for blood transfusion.

(Sgd
F. CHLOAROLA.)
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(L. Capanni)

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND

No.

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Subject: Medical Arrangements

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MHA)

RHS

11/5/45

16 Jan 45

Navy Sub Commission, A.C.
Air Force Sub Commission, A.C.
Public Health Sub Commission, A.C.

Attached copies of letters from Medical
Directorate, Ministry of War, Nos. 1/5682/Gen of
27 Dec 44, and 6/131/205 of 10 Jan 45 are forwarded
for information.

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W.H.
Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MHA)

Carl 3976

Translation

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare

Ref: 6/131/305

To: All Commands
MIA for info.

10 Jan 45.

Subject: Withdrawal of Medicines from German and Italian

Further to letter 1/5692/San dated Dec 27 1944, and in
notification of orders in force regarding issue of medicines by
military Pharmacies, it is agreed that:

1. Units which are under the command of the Italian Ministry of
Navy must insist on their own doctors concerned and must not insist
on the Pharmacies of the military hospitals (such as the Maritime
Medical Branch is supplied directly by the Turin Central Medical
Stores Depot).
2. The Italian Army (including Carabinieri) and the Italian
Air Force (the latter not being provided with its own medical establishments)
will continue to draw from the military hospitals under normal procedure.
3. All other Corps which are not included in the ration strength of
the Italian Army (Firearms Guards, Public Safety Agents Corps, Metropolitan
included, Customs Agents, Firemen, Penal Establishments - military Sections
included etc.) must not be supplied any more under any circumstances
by the military administration and must insist on the R. Prefecture for
their own medicine requirements or also must buy them from the market.

The addressee Medical Directories are requested to issue
immediate orders to all the hospitals concerned.

P. IL MINISTERO

2. The Italian Army (including Carabinieri) and the Italian Air Force (the latter not being provided with its own medical establishments) will continue to draw from the military hospitals under normal procedure.

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P. IL MINISTRO

P. Caldarola

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TRANSMISSION

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare

Ref: 4/5082/Gen

Dec 27, 44

To: All Medical Directorates
MIA for Info.

Subject: Admission of Finance Guards, Personnel, Public Safety
Agents and Custody Personnel of the Prisons and
Reformatories to Hospitals

The Allied H.Q. has reported that Finance Guard personnel, Public Safety Agents and Custody personnel of the prisons and reformatories may now be admitted for treatment to military hospitals which receive military rationals as they are now included in the ration strength of the Italian Army.

Therefore, from now on, said personnel will be admitted to hospitals under command of the Ministry of War which receive civilian rationals or to civilian hospitals.

The instructions in regard to medical-legal measures mentioned in Articles 13, - 15 - 157 of the "Territorial Military Medical Service Regulations" remain unchanged.

The Medical Directorates are requested to issue the necessary orders to all of the hospitals and convalescent homes under their command.

Please confirm.

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The instructions in regard to medical services mentioned in Articles 154 - 156 - 157 of the "Territorial Military Medical Service Regulations" remain unchanged.

The Medical Directorates are requested to issue the necessary orders to all of the hospitals and convalescent homes under their command.

Please confirm.

P. II. DIRECTOR GENERAL S.P.S.

II. COLUMBIA MEDICAL

M. MONTI

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