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Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE DI SANITÀ MILITARE

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OGGETTO: passaggio a razionamento civile dell'O.M. n° 172 di Modena.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB-COMMISSION - A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
ROMA

Si comunica che - sotto la data del 1° gennaio 1946 - l'Ospedale Militare in oggetto passerà dal tipo di razionamento militare a quello a razionamento civile.

It is intended for info that w.e.f. 1 Jan 46. 172 Gen Hosp Modena will pass from purely military rations to civil rations.

(Postponed Sec Cmd).

IL MAGGIORE GENERALE MEDICO
Direttore Generale di Sanità Militare
(Sq. PADDA) Medical Branch
Allied Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (MMIA)

Seen
ADMS
S/Capt
File Ref. 14/15/382
Date Received 31/12/45

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Subject : Hospital Accommodation

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
W/17/3524
30 Nov. 45

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MMIA

It is understood that Florence Territorial Command wish to locate their Secondary Hospital in the ex Military Hospital Buildings at Leghorn. This project is supported by the Director General of the Italian Medical Services at the War Ministry.

It is understood further that the buildings in question were requisitioned after the liberation of Leghorn by the U.S. Army for a Military Hospital, and more recently as accommodation for personnel in transit to and from the United States.

It is requested therefore that the derequisitioning of these hospital buildings may please be effected as soon as is possible, and that an estimate of the date of when this is likely to take place may be given.

Lt-Col.
A.D.M.S.
AC. (MMIA)

/AJP

Land Forces Sub Comm.

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29 November 1945.

MEMO TO: See Distribution (For Info)

Data on Cecchignola Pkg.

1. HISTORY. a. Allied combat troops drove Germans out and occupied at the fall of Rome. In unfinished and damaged condition.

b. 12 Oct 44 occupied by 1st Airborne Tng Center. No major improvements made.

c. Dec. 44, 1st Replacement Depot occupied and most of the improvements were made. In Feb. 45, Replacement and Training Comd HQ took over.

d. 1 July 1946, Replacement Co. CMTA occupied until they became non-operative, 15 Oct 46 when RAAC took over to derequisition.

2. LOCATIONS AND ACCOMMODATIONS - Six (6) miles south of Rome. Capacity 560 male officers, 30 Female officers, 20,900 EM, and 1,758 civilians. 160 buildings now in good condition.

3. NATURE OF IMPROVEMENTS - Completely refinished many bldgs. Layed water pipe line six (6) miles from camp to deep well, installed clorination and pumping system that supplies 2,400,000 gals water daily. Installed telephone system within camp and to Rome and electric wiring and recepticals in camp. Also installed many toilets, urinals, boilers, heaters, sinks, hot water heaters, showers, windows and built many roads, sidewalks etc.

4. MEDICAL - a. No Hosp accommodations but many buildings would be satisfactory for a 250 bed Sta. Hosp.

b. Prevalent disease at first malaria but many cases have been eliminated.

5. GENERAL - a. Estimated values when U.S. took over $15,500,000 and in poor condition.

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b. Cost of improvements by U.S. $565,792.89. However, this may be reduced to approx. $540,717.32 if the amount paid for local labor and material were paid for by lire not backed by U.S. dollars. This question is being clarified by ANLC by 1 Dec.

LESTER R. ALBERT
Lt. Col. Infantry

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M/11/3519

Distribution:

Col. Pidsley - Lt. Col. Curtiss - Lt. Col. Medlam
Lt. Col. Jagger - Major King

TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War REF: 1/6589/San.

TO: Rome Military Territorial Medical Directorate DATE: 19.11.45
M.M.I.A. for info.

SUBJECT: Changing of the "Regina Elenna" Hospital from military rationing to civilian rationing for the care of t.b.c.patients - managed by Military Medical Corps personnel.

We authorise the change over of the "Regina Elena" Military Hospital from military rations to civilian rations,for the care of ~~only~~ patients suffering from t.b.c. only and who are no longer entitled to military rations.

Military Medical Corps personnel will continue to carry out their duties in the hospital and will receive the same rations as the patients,with the exception of the supplementary ration which will be issued to t.b.c. patients only.

The Directorate addressed is requested to give us timely information as to the date on which the change of rationing will take place at the establishment in question. 5559

The Directorate General of Commissariat [illegible]

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The Directorate General of Commissariat and Administrative Services is requested to kindly issue orders to the effect that the competent departments reach agreements with the S.E.P.R.A.L. for the drawing of the prescribed foods.

Sgd. FADDA

O.Danin Cpl.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME

File : ST/229 Date : 15 Nov 45

SUBJECT: Convalescent Home - LIDO VENICE.

TO : Medical.

- -

Attached for your information and such action as you may consider necessary is copy of a report received from ST LO N.E. Italy regarding a Convalescent Home that has apparently been set up at the Lido Venice.

Capt Cooper
What remarks?

Lt.Col.
A.D.S.T.

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MPHD/gmc

M/ST/3443

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COPY

SUBJECT:- Convalescent Home - LIDO VENICE.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. MMIA.
N.E. ITALY
c/o 86 Area

ST/55

A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.

9 November 1945.

1. It has come to light that a Convalescent Home has been opened in the Lido Venice.

2. Consequently a visit was made to the Lido on 8 Nov to inspect same.

Location.

Premises previously occupied by Casa del Soldato.

Staff

O.C. Capt. CAPETTA assisted by one M.O. and 6 OR's drawn from disbanded 228 Div Pioneer Group.

Accommodation

Premises can accomodate 60 convalescents but at present average strength is 40.
Recreation rooms with table tennis, radiogram etc., and bar are provided.
The whole place was exceptionally clean and well kept.

Rations.

These are drawn from 806 Transit Camp, as the personnel are held on their strength following evacuation from hospital.

3. This Home is solely for Or's. It is well organised and the O.C. appears keen and interested in his job.

4. As this Home is not authorised on the CMMAT the above information is forwarded for any action that you may deem necessary.

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/s/ J.M. CRAIG
Capt., RASC.,
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

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

DPR/709/MED Tel. 478009 29 October 1945

SUBJECT: - Italian Field Hospitals.

TO : - A.D.M.S.
M.M.I.A.

Herewith information as requested.

1. 519 Field Hospital: O.C. Lieut Michele Quaglia, Present location: Colonia Marina, Riccione. To be moved to Forli. HQ Old field hospital Under administration of 'E' Group D.P. & R.S.C., Municipio, Bologna.

2. 470 Field Hospital: O.C. Lieut Mauro, Present location: Fano Barracks. Under administration of 'H' Group D.P. & R.S.C. c/o 61 Area, H.Q. Ancona.

For the Director.

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

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Subject : "Belle Arti" Hospital

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
MMIA
M/17/3076
3 Sept. 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare.

Ref your 1/4454/ SAN of 29th. August 45.

There is no MMIA objection in principle, but it is suggested that in order to avoid any confusion after the changeover, the hospital should retain its present NO. (203 Territorial Hosp.) and if you wish, the title "Principessa di Piemonte" may be substituted for "Belle Arti".

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

/AJP.

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TRANSLATION

From : M of War
To : MMIA

Ref : 1/1454:S
Dtd : 29 Aug 45

Subject : 203("Fine Arts")Hospital.

The Ministry of Public Education has pointed out to this Ministry the necessity of recovering the premises of the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Naples, at present occupied by the 203 rd (Fine Arts) Hospital ,authorised under War Establishment 72/ MRE/1.

This Ministry would have no objection to complying with such a request if - in the event of evacuating the said hospital - it would be possible to recover, under military rationing, the 161 Military Hospital, Sovereign Military Order of Malta (Princess of Piedmont), authorised under War Establishment 71/SMRE/1, but authority for which was ~~discontinued~~ cancelled by MMIA in letter No SD/94/1 of 5 Jul 45.

We await the decisions of MMIA.

For the Minister,
sgd. S. Fadda.

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Translation

from : Mg. 5
to : MMIA

ref. 1/4021/SAH.
22 Aug. 45

Subject. 247 Field Hospital. 11/1/3026

With ref. to letter M/17/2942 dated 16th inst.

① SMRE with ref. 15001/ORS/II dated 10/7-45 ordered that military rations should not be issued to a/m Hospt. with effect from 8.7.45.

② This Gen. Directorate on 10.8.45 received the letter reff. M/29/2868 dated 8.8.45 of MMIA (with letter 1/4020/SAH dated 10.8.45) & forwarded it to SMRE for action. —

③ SMRE with sig. 16080/ORS/II dated 14.8.45 with ref. to previous signal, ordered the immediate disbandment & asked to know the reason why said Hospt. had carried on functioning. P.T.O.

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SMRE will send 8 mm MA
the information requested at para 3)
of letter M/17/2942 dated 16/8/45

MANFREDI.

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Subject:- Hospital requisition.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(G. B. I. A.)
G/92/14
21 March 1943.

To:-

M/17/2970

From: P. Director.

Reference GO Sub Area letter 337/C dated 15 Mar 43.

1. It is confirmed that the house "Palazzo di Marmore" building is required for use as an Italian Military Hospital.

Villa Benibas will be vacated as soon as other accommodation can be made available.

2. It is no doubt that the 50 palleggiatori at present in residence on the top part of the "Palazzo di Marmore" building might be housed in the Villa Benibas.

3. It is urgent that this matter may be regarded as urgent.

Rdo

G. A. [illegible] Col.
for Major General.
G. S. I. A.

Copy to:

GO Sub Area
MMZA LC PRV [illegible]
MMZA SO GO Sub Area.
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To: Area

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Subject: 267 Hospital de Guerra [illegible]

Land Forces Sub Comm
A.G. (MIS)
[illegible]
[illegible]/42
/6 Aug 45

Ministry of War,
Dirección General de Justicia Militare

Orders were issued under SD/36/1 dated 5 July 45 for the closing and disembarkment of the above named hospital.

It is known that this hospital is still functioning and has in fact 30 patients at present.

Please investigate and report.

A.W.F. Gropper,
Staff Capt
For A.D.M.G.
Land Forces Sub Comm AG. (MIS)

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Copy to: [illegible]
Enclr [illegible]

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Translation.

from: M of W (Med. Direct.) ref. —
Copy to: MMIA 7 Aug. 45

Subject: Memorandum.

Matters discussed during the meeting that took place on Aug. 7th at 0930 hrs in the presence of the following officers:
for MMIA: Lt. Col. Holman ; Capt. Cooper
" M of W : GEN. FADDA ; Lt. BASILISCO. -

① MILANO Milit. Hospital - Ordinary & military personnel admitted in the same wards. Possibility of employing the premises of a "Home for the Aged" near to the Hospt. that would provide space for another 200 beds - Issue of instructions that military personnel to be admitted to the Hospt. should be sent in reasonable quantity from the Districts & arrangements for billeting of same personnel for the night. If the number of beds for admitted personnel is not sufficient, personnel in excess should be sent to BRESCIA Hospt. -

② GENOA

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(2) GENOA - Transfer of the Milit. Hospt. to the premises of the PRINCIPE DI PIEMONTE Orphans Institute & increase of beds to 200 - Handing over to the Allied authorities of 5550 republican soldiers that had been admitted to the Hospt. - Reports of GENOA & "Mantova" Combat Group MMIA LOs concerning the lack of initiative of the Med. Director - Military personnel of ~~allied units~~ assisted ~~that are assisted~~ by British M.Os because

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/. P.T.O.

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the Med. Director has not appointed a milit. M.O. or made arrangements with a Civil doctor for this purpose. –

(3) Convalescence House in the area of MILANO Proposal of the British G.O.C. District 2 – Not accepted. –

(4) Convalescence leaves ~~are~~ are entirely a responsibility of the Hospt. Directors – up to 90 days for ORs + 60 days for Officers – MMIA can control monthly the number of leaves granted by each Hospt. + exceeding 14 days. –

(5) RIETI – ~~Nu~~ Italian military personnel of the RAOC training Depot assisted by a civil Doctor who complains lack of medicines + forwards med. prescriptions to the civil pharmacy.

(6) Partisans – They are not considered as military personnel as from June 10th, 45. – They are to be admitted to civil Hospts or on civil rations – MMIA will send copy of instructions that have been issued, + which as it seems, have not yet been received by the M of W.

(7) BARI – MMIA is asking that strong

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(5) RIETI - Italian military personnel of the RAOC training Depot arrested by a civil Doctor who complains lack of medicines + forwards med. prescriptions to the civil pharmacy.

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(7) BARI - MMIA is asking that strong measures should be taken concerning a Major of BARI Milit. Hospt. who did not admit an American co-operator & sent him to an American Hospt. -

LT. BASILISCO. -

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Subject: Hospital Accommodation - Italian Army - GENOA.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) B O N E.
2/12/14

7 Aug 45

To: H.Q.2 District

1. The Italian Military Hospital building in GENOA has been completely destroyed by Allied air action during active operations before the surrender.

2. The present temporary building is neither suitable nor large enough. It is most uneconomical to find and open another small building to provide the necessary bed space owing to the inevitable duplication of staff, equipment, medical stores, etc.

3. The building "PRINCIPE DI PIEMONTE" in VIA dei FIEMOSI-MARASSI-GENOA is however most suitable and will take the necessary 250 beds with all the "usual offices" of a main hospital.

4. 23 M.T. Coy of 3rd M.T. Bn at present occupy the building but this unit is being demilitarised this month and all tps will be posted to other army units.

5. In view of the urgent necessity to establish efficient Italian hospitals in N.Italy in order to prevent any necessity to use allied bed space, it is most strongly urged that this building be allotted for an Italian military hospital wef 1 Sep 45.

F.J.Noakes

F.J.NOAKES Col.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

PJG/ah

Copy to: HQ 60 Sub Area.
MMIA LO NW ITALY.
MMIA LO c/o 60 Sub Area.
MMO MMIA.

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION (M.M.I.A.)
GENOA c/o 60 SUB AREA

MED

1 August 1945

SUBJECT: Hospital Accomodation

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C. (MMIA)
A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army
Attn. A.D.M.S.

1. Reference conference 28 July 1945 about hospital accomodations in Genoa, attached hereto letter.

2. The taking over of this building will have to be done from a high level due to the political situation.

C. P. Benatti
C. P. BENATTI,
Captain, QMC.
MMIA LO.

Copy to: M.M.I.A. LO., N.W. Italy

CPB/gc

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Translation: lr

MILITARY TERRITORIAL HQ. GENOA(II)
Medical Directorate

No. San/883/OL 31 July, 1945

SUBJECT: "Principe di Piemonte" Institute to be used as Main Military Hospital.

TO : M.M.I.A. L.O. ROME

Following your verbal request please be informed:

1. The "Principe di Piemonte" Institute is located in Genoa, Via dei Platani (location Marassi).

2. The Institute - whose Prefecture Commissary is the Vice-Prefect Mr. Francesco Durante - is administrated by the "Albergo dei Poveri" located in Genoa, Via Carbonara.

3. 23 M.T. Coy of 3rd M.T. Bn ALCOM occupies the ground-floor and partly 1st and 2nd floor with 110 soldiers.

4. Part of 3rd floor (right wing) and kitchens are occupied by 50 baby-girls with a few nuns attached to them.

5. The whole of the Institute is fit to be used as Main Military Hospital with 250 beds and all general services: scientific cabinets, depots and stores.

The Col. Director
s/ Luigi Pezzullo

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Subject:- Italian Military hospitals in Northern Italy.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
9/12/15
June 45.

To:-

M/17/2359

Ministry of War.

Reference your 1/10005/San dated 6 June 45.

It is the view of the Allied Authorities that the present needs of hospital accommodation in Milan necessitates the temporary occupation of the Military Hospital Via Baggio.

This hospital is in excess of the present needs of the Italian Army whose requirements have been met by the allocation of the Banda Nera Hospital.

The arrangements were agreed between local representatives of civil and military authorities and include the adequate safeguarding of Italian medical equipment.

The Ministry may instruct their representative to set aside rooms for the safe storage of movable equipment and may, in agreement with local Allied Officers, select the rooms most suitable for this purpose.

for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

Copy: M.M.I.A. L.O. Major Van Kirk.
Major Bird

Medical

/Sam

M/17/2418

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Subject: Hospital Accommodation - Siena

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
M/17/2193
23 May 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare

The following information received from HQ No 1 District is passed to you.

1. San Marco Hospital, Siena is occupied by a British unit and it is regretted that these premises cannot be de-requisitioned.

2. It is probable that the Fondola Hospital may be available in approximately 6 weeks time.

Watt.

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

/REG

Copy to: 'Q' (ref HQ 1 District letter 1D/2704/Q of 20 May 45)

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: **Italian Military Rations**

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IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Sr MMIA LO	Ital LO c/o QM	4 May 1945	

1. You are authorized to issue Italian Military rations to the Italian Military Hospital formerly located at Verona and now located in two sections, one at Marzana 8 km. North of Verona, and the 2nd section at San Bonifacio in an old school building 30 km. East of Verona on the following basis:

	32 officers
	20 Sisters
	179 Enlisted Men
Total	231

2. The capacity of the hospitals should be 900 beds but only rations can be drawn for designated military personnel.

R.C.VAN KIRK
Major, Infantry,
Sr. (MMIA) L.O.,
5th Army

cc: MMIA

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M/17/5544

Subject : Hospital Accommodation - Recce Report

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M/7/2007

Command Post,
HQ No 2 District, CMF
Tel No - Foxglove 275,
9703 M 4

5 May 45

D.M.S.,
A.F.H.Q.

copy to : A.D.M.S., Land Forces Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

Reference accommodation for a Br General Hospital in GENOA.

Herewith, for information, extracts from a SITREP by A.D.M.S., 57 Area :

" 1. The following plan has been agreed. In making the plan the following factors had to be considered :

(i) Civilian hospital beds are extremely full, (6214 beds occupied out of 6874), and it would be quite impossible to empty any large sized civilian hospital.

(ii) The Ospedale Provinciale Militare QUARTO is almost empty, containing only German P.W., Italian Military and half a dozen Partisans.

(iii) On 28 Apr 234 German P.W. and 369 Partisans were in GENOA hospitals. Many of them are light cases, fit for early discharge or transfer.

(iv) About 100 wounded Partisans are held in Divisional hospital of 6 Zone outside GENOA and should be transferred there.

(v) The Ospedale QUARTO is the only available site for an Allied General Hospital. It is a good site for 600 beds and could be expanded, but it will not take a 1200 bedded hospital.

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(vi) 2(US) Division are moving 15 Fd Hospital into GENOA but the Divisional Surgeon states that he will move them out as soon as a British General Hospital can take over. 5543

(vii) There is a very limited quantity of Italian Medical Equipment in the QUARTO Hospital as almost all was removed by the Germans.

PLAN

(a) 15(US) Fd Hospital is moving today(30 Apr) from SPEZZIA and is taking over one half of Ospedale QUARTO. This will supply immediate hospital cover for British and American troops, including surgical cover.

(b) One floor of remaining wing is being cleared and will be occupied by a British FDS - accommodation ample for 100 beds.

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PLAN (contd)

(c) All German P.W. fit for transfer will be evacuated after 3 May under arrangements made by 92(US) Div.

(d) Remaining P.Ws. will be concentrated on remaining floor of QUARTO which will be a small P.W. Wing, staffed by captured protected personnel and administered by British FDS.

(e) Ultimately the 600/(Br) bedded Hospital will move in and take over the whole QUARTO Hospital. It is suggested that an initial move of 200 beds plus surgical, X-Ray and laboratory cover would be advisable.

(f) Two blocks (each 150 beds) at Ospedale SAN MARTINO will be allotted initially to Partisans and later to Italian Military. This will provide a minimum of 300 beds for treatment of Italian Army personnel.

(g) It is strongly advised that a 1200 bedded hospital should not be brought into GENOA. A suitable site will be very hard to find, whilst the suggested site at Ospedale QUARTO is excellent for a 600 bedder and could be expanded to 800 or 900.

A greater number of beds should not be required. "

2. Elsewhere in the SITREP the Ospedale QUARTO is reported on as follows :

"2. There is only one Italian Military Hospital in GENOA - the Ospedale Provinciale QUARTO. This is situated in a new in a new block of the old Psychiatric Hospital - north of the Ospedale GIANNINI GASLINI. The top floor is still occupied by psychiatric cases but there is accommodation for at least 600 patients in the lower two floors. If taken over completely it would house comfortably a 600 bedded hospital and by using alternative accommodation for the staff, up to 800 beds could be equipped. This is a preliminary estimate subject to detailed recce.

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Fl Lt Salmon
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.

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MINISTRY OF WAR
General Medical Directorate

Ref: 1/1877/San

26 April 45.

Subject:- Transfer of "Andrea Baldi" Military Hospital, Rome to Civil Rations.

To: S.M.R.E. Uff. Ord. e Mob.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (SMIA)

We communicate that, as from 1st May 1945, the "Baldi" Military Hospital, at present on military rations, will be transferred to civilian rations and will be managed by S.M.C.M.

Capacity 300 beds.

Personnel - administrative and welfare - 100.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE
F. Calderola

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Subject: Accommodation.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
J/12/6

27 April 1945

To: MAW HQ 2 District.

PENDOLA Hospital SIENNA
SAN MARCO Hospital SIENNA

1. The above buildings are former Italian Military Hospitals each of 300 bed capacity.

2. Pendola is at present occupied by a Sig Section and San Marco by a British CCS.

3. It is requested as a matter of urgency that one of these hospitals may be released for use by the Italian Army.

RAC

R. A. CURTISS, Lt Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

PPP/lo

Medical then O

Seen Watt. 28/4.

Have also spoken 2 Dist on phone

RAC

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Subject: Hospitalization - Italian Army - ITALY

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
RCMS
M/17/1776
21 April 45

DDES
HQ 2 District

1. The attached notes on Italian Army hospital requirements are forwarded for information. As far as is known they are agreeable to Allied plans.

The number of ITL-ITI personnel in these areas is uncertain but the estimates given may be on the low side.

5% cover has been requested as the policy on Patriots has not yet been decided.

2. Subject to approval by the respective 'Q' staffs, are these proposals suitable to the Allied hospital plan? They are subject of course to alteration as a result of bomb damage or other reasons.

Lt. C. H.

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

/RDG

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NOTES ON HOSPITALISATION - ITALIAN ARMY REQUIREMENTS - N.W. ITALY

No. 1 Italian Territorial Command (Piedmonte - Turin)

Medical Director : Col. REITANO

Italian troops:	One Combat Group	10,000	
	Service BR.-ITIs	3,000	
	ITI.-ITI Admin.	(?) 3,000	
		16,000	@ 5% cover = 800 beds.

Hospital Requirements

(1)	Military Hospital "Richeley"	TORINO	220 beds	
(2)	Military Hospital	NOVARA	260 beds	
(3)	Military Hospital	ALESSANDRIA	270 beds	(if required)
(4)	Military Hospital	BRESCIA	370 beds	(if required)

Above appears in excess of needs but the Combat Group will probably be very scattered. At least one Italian Evacuation Hospital (200 beds) will probably be allotted to the Combat Group by the Allied Command. Has any bid been submitted for this in addition to the Gruppo itself?

No. 2 Italian Territorial Command (Ligura - Genoa)

Medical Director : Col. PEZZULLO or Col. GONZALES

Italian troops:	BR.-ITI Service	3,500	
	ITI.-ITI Admin.	(?) 2,500	
		6,000	@ 5% cover = 300 beds.

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No. 3 Italian Territorial Command (Lombardia - Milan)

Italian Medical Director : Col. DE MARTINO

Italian troops: BR-ITI Service		3,500
ITI-ITI Admin.	(?)	8,500
		12,000 @ 5% cover = 600 beds.

Hospital accommodation in Milan appears plentiful. The 600-bed Italian Military Hospital may be required for use by a British unit. In that event the 600-bed Military Observation Hospital is requested for use of Italian Army. If the 1200-bed hospital is not required by the Allies it is requested that this be reserved for the Italian Army.

As all mobile medical units are with the Combat Group, 247 Field Hospital now located at Osimo (Ancona) can be made available and attached to 230 Italian Adm. Division as a mobile unit for the BR-ITI Service troops. It is understood that this suggestion has already been made through staff channels.

When Italian Military Hospitals ~~and~~ are occupied by British units, the moveable medical equipment, supplies and hospital furniture will be available for the use of the Italian Army if required.

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SUBJECT :- Hospital Accommodation - N.W. Italy.

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HQ 2 DISTRICT, CMF.
Tel ..... Ext 67.
9703 M 4
20 APR 45.

To :- DA & QMG,
HQ 2 District. (2)

M/17/1774

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(1) The question of requisitioning hospital accommodation in NW Italy requires clarification in regard to the following points :-

(2) Below is an extract from the Minutes of a Meeting held at HQ A.C. on 28 Mar 45 at which representatives of Medical Branches this HQ and MMIA were present and agreement in principle reached on all points discussed :-

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(b) Italian Military Hospitals."

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(4) According to information at present available the total number of beds in Italian Military Hospitals in N.W. Italy is approximately 20,000. Of these, we are informed by MMIA that they visualise requiring 1250 only for Italian Army commitments, though this presumably does not include Partisans. There should therefore be an ample balance available for the use of the Allied Forces.

(5) I am not aware whether the A.A.I. letter referred to in para 3 above is still in force, but if this be the case and if strict compliance must be made with these provisions, I foresee possible delay and/or complications with the Italian Military Authorities.

(6) In view of this I strongly recommend that prior authority in principle be obtained now for the occupation of such Italian Military Hospital accommodation in the future as is agreed NOT to be required by MMIA after final consultation with them.

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May this be represented to AMMQ through Staff Channels ?.

Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.

GPK/WP.

Copy to : ADMS., Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.(MMIA)
reference your letter M/17/1703 of 17 Apr 45.

Director, Public Health Sub Commission, A.C.

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HOSPITALISATION

57 AREA REQUIREMENTS IN GENOA

1. Requirements:

   1200 hospital beds (BR) - 1000 beds as Convalescent Depot
   300 " " (IT) Possible Con Depot or "over 60-day" hospital outside town.

2. To be provided by utilising:-

Genova Quarto Military Hospital	500
Genova Sampierdarena (formerly civil)	800 (150 beds Air.)
Genova Rivardo - Osp. Celesia	150
	1450 beds + 50 ?

3. 1000 beds convalescent for British - No difficulty - plenty accommodation.
   Suggested sites;

   "Celle Ligure - Colonia Milanese" and Varazze Col. Bergamasca)
   (500 beds) + (470 beds)

   or Chiavari Colona Faro e Piaggio (630 beds)

4. In all cases where military institutions occupied, equipment will be stored or preserved for Italian military use.
   ADMS 57 Area will ask through usual channels for AFHQ authority to occupy above Italian military hospital accommodation.

5. The large civil hospital in town will not be occupied nor will the Italian Red Cross Hospital at Chiavari.

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Inter-Office Memo

From: Medical

To: 'Q'

M/17

20 Apr '45

1. Ministry of War, Medical Directorate have requested that a hospital (either the "Fendola" or "San Marco" - both in Siena) be derequisitioned and handed back for the use of the Italian Army.

Both buildings are former Italian military hospitals, "Fendola" has a 300-bed capacity and is at present occupied by a Signal Section. "San Marco" has the same capacity and is occupied by a British C.C.S.

2. Actually, one of these hospitals is desired as an "over 60-day" hospital in order that the military hospitals in Florence can evacuate their "over 60-day" cases as there is at present no where else to put them. However, as far as the Allied authorities are concerned, it is required (indirectly) for the Italian Army.

A.C.H.

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

Copy to: 'A'

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TRANSLATION

R : 1/1632/ san
Date : 15/4/45

FROM : M;G;W;
TO : M.M.I.A.

SUBJECT : Hospitals of Tuscania.

Both in view of the numerous cases of cronic malaria that occur during the spring and owing to the lack of available beds at FLORENCE we deem it necessary to find an adequate solution to the problem of Hospital admission in TOSCANIA.

In this respect, the Territorial Command of FLORENCE has been continually contacted to obtain the return of the ex Military Hospitals PENDOLA and SAN MARCO of SIENA.

The American Authorities of the 5th Army contacted as regards this matter, have shown themselves agreeable.
In respect of PENDOLA Hospital the authority of SIENA's A.M.G is required, while the SAN MARCO Hospital appears to be on the point of beeing evacuated by the 21 Br C.C.S. apart from other factors, we deal with the recovery of a rather large amount of material previously belonging to our Mil Admin.

When available the PENDOLA Hospital will without fail be placed on civilian rations and handed over for supervision by the SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER of MALTA, who have expressed willingness to carry out this task.

The SAN MARCO, could become a Hospital on military rations and be added to the present list of same.

The passing of the SAN MARCO Hosp, to military rations could be compensated for by the changing from military to civilian ration scale of the SANTA MARIA NUOVA Red Cross Hosp FLORENCE;.

In this way the problem of hospitals on civilians rations in TOSCANIA would be substantially solved which is important in view of the probable repatriation of ex POW's to LEGHORN Harbour.

We hope that M.M.I.A. will kindly give full support to this above;

Signed: CALDAROLA

MANSFIELD

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Do NOT APPROVE AS
It is only a few weeks ago since
M. G. W. asked for them to be put on that.
Over 60 day hospital should be a Siena.

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Ref No 19

Subject: Present Florence Area Hospital Situation

RCV/jad

IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE
	Sr MMLA LO	MMLA	28 Mar 1945

PRESENT ITALIAN HOSPITAL SITUATION IN FLORENCE

	Beds	How Occupied: Military	How Occupied: Partisans
S.Gallo Hospital (Via S.Gallo) / S.Maria Nuova Hospital (Piazza S.Maria Nuova)	752	331	25
Monte Oliveto Hospital (Via Montoliveto)	200	119	2
Villa Natalia Hospital (Via Bolognese)	110	89	1
Totals	1062	539	28

The 210th and 231 Divisions have 170 beds in their field hospitals. The Gruppi have 1000 beds assigned to them but only 200 beds are actually available now. This makes a total of 1430 beds in this area against 4800 which General Martin, 5th Army Surgeon states is the absolute minimum requirement for the 55,000 Italian troops in this area which figure does not include the Carabinieri and PBS troops here.

There is no more available hospital space in Florence and General Martin strongly recommends the taking over of the two former Italian Military hospitals at Siena, the Pendola and the 21 C.C.S., both now occupied by British installations. Pendola is now occupied as a billet by 120 men of the No. 3 S.P. Signal Unit, and 21 C.C.S. as the 2nd Field Dressing Station. Both of these buildings were occupied as Italian Military hospitals until October 1944, some of the equipment is still in the Siena area for these hospitals but there are no beds. General Martin states, however, in an emergency he will get cots for them.

General Martin further states, it is a violation of the Geneva Convention rules for troops to be billeted in buildings with a Red Cross on it as Pendola has. It is also a violation of AFHQ directives.

R.C.VAN KIRK,
Major, Infantry
Sr. (MMLA) L.O.,
5th Army

200 bed capacity
Excellent Kitchen and operating theatre. Bedding and equipment has been removed.

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300 bed capacity: Now used as a 50 bed Detachment and also housing 2 British Sanitary Detachments awaiting recent orders. approx 50-75 beds, 1000 mattresses and bed tables are stored there belonging to the army. Other equipment including excellent kitchen and laboratory equipment has been removed.

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (NWIA)
ROMS
M/17/1703
17 April 45.

DEMS
2 District

1. Reference para 2 of Minutes of meeting held on 26th March 1945 at HQ A.C. on hospitalisation N.W. Italy which reads:-

" ..... PIACENZA. In requisitioning accommodation No. 2 District's order of priority is :

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3. 'Q' staff MMIA have requested that these orders be brought to your notice.

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W. G. Heggie
Lieut-Col.
A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/RHG

Copy to: Director Public Health Sub Comm. A.C.
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Subject: Accommodation - Medical.

To: Medical

Reference Att minutes of meeting dated 28 March.

1. You will please ensure that Medical 2 District is aware of the AFHQ control of Italian Military accommodation. Without AFHQ authority any Italian Military building can be taken by operational Comds only for operational necessity.

2. Para 2 of the Minutes implies that Italian Army property will be taken in preference to other suitable property. NO authority exists for such action

3. The relevant AFHQ orders on the subject are att for ease of reference.

F. I. Noonel

Col.
D.A. & Q.M.G.

16 Apr 45

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M/5/1550

NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 28 MARCH, 1945
IN VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
ON HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION IN NORTHWEST ITALY

Present: Brigadier Upjohn, Vice President, Civil Affairs Section (Chairman)
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Lt. Col. Salmon, AMMS No.2 District
The Marquis Theodoli
Col. R.R.Cripps, Civil Affairs Section
Lt. Col. R. Craig, Patriots Branch
Lt. Col. G.M.Frizzelle, Public Health Sub-Commission
Major W.A.Heggie, Land Forces Sub-Commission (M.M.I.A.)

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6. HOSPITALISATION OF PATRIOTS:

THE CHAIRMAN outlined the position with regard to Patriots and their hospitalisation. He pointed out that under the present directive the treatment of Patriots was the responsibility of the Italian Military and that this treatment was limited generally only to that which would suffice to get the patients clear of the hospitals; the problem then arose over post-emergency treatment and convalescence.

7. MAJOR HEGGIE expressed the following views :

a) that the Italian Army was responsible only for emergency hospitalisation and that wounded Patriots should be removed to civilian hospitals by the Allied Commission (not (NMIA) as soon as possible. (Reference was made to AFHQ letter AG 400/033 GEC-O dated 13 January 1945).

b) that no Italian Army hospitals could be established for the primary purpose of handling Patriots for the simple reason that neither personnel nor equipment was available above that which was required for Italian Army Hospitals necessary for the Italian Army;

c) that the Italian Army Hospitals would be available for Patriots only to the extent that the accommodation available was surplus to the requirement for Army personnel; and

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IT WAS AGREED THAT it was essential that clarification be obtained from AFHQ with a view to ascertaining exactly the responsibilities of MMIA and that if the suggestion which had been put forward that convalescent wards should be organised in civilian hospitals, authority be given for the issue of army medical supplies and rations to the hospitals concerned.

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9. The discussion then turned to the transportation of wounded Patriots. Clarification was needed for the responsibility for such transport from the Casualty Clearing Stations to Field Hospitals and from Field Hospitals to Civilian Hospitals and/or Convalescent Hospitals. In this connection Brigadier Kidd pointed out that there was available in No.2 District only one motor ambulance convoy and that he would be unable to give assistance in this matter.

10. IT WAS AGREED THAT Civil Affairs Section put the position to AFHQ and request clarification of the points regarding hospitalisation of Patriots.

C.A. SECTION

R. R. Gripps

R. R. GRIPPS, Col.
GSO Civil Affairs Section.

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ACTION

6. HOSPITALISATION OF PATRIOTS:

THE CHAIRMAN outlined the position with regard to Patriots and their hospitalisation. He pointed out that under the present directive the treatment of Patriots was the responsibility of the Italian Military and that this treatment was limited generally only to that which would suffice to get the patients clear of the hospitals; the problem then arose over post-emergency treatment and convalescence.

7. MAJOR HEGGIE expressed the following views :

a) that the Italian Army was responsible only for emergency hospitalisation and that wounded Patriots should be removed to civilian hospitals by the Allied Commission (not MMIA) as soon as possible. (Reference was made to AFHQ letter AG 400/033 GSG-O dated 13 January 1945).

b) that no Italian Army hospitals could be established for the primary purpose of handling Patriots for the simple reason that neither personnel nor equipment was available above that which was required for Italian Army Hospitals necessary for the Italian Army;

c) that the Italian Army Hospitals would be available for Patriots only to the extent that the accommodation available was surplus to the requirements for Army personnel; and

d) that it was not practicable to issue either medical supplies or army rations to civilian hospitals for Patriots.

MAJOR HEGGIE further stated that the Italian Army's present arrangements for the North were such that it was unlikely that any large numbers of Patriots could be treated by the Italian Military organisations and that there were to be only 800 beds behind each 5th and 8th Armies and that they would not necessarily be in those localities where Patriots might be encountered.

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8. THE CHAIRMAN disagreed in some measure with the views of MMIA in the interpretation of AFHQ's signal F. 27859.

IT WAS AGREED THAT it was essential that clarification be obtained from AFHQ with a view to ascertaining exactly the responsibilities of MMIA and that if the suggestion which had been put forward that convalescent wards should be organised in civilian hospitals, authority be given for the issue of army medical supplies and rations to the hospitals concerned.

9. The discussion then turned to the transportation of wounded Patriots. Clarification was needed for the responsibility for such transport from the Casualty Clearing Stations to Field Hospitals and from Field Hospitals to Civilian Hospitals and/or Convalescent Hospitals. In this connection Brigadier Kidd pointed out that there was available in No 2 District only one motor ambulance convoy and that he would be unable to give assistance in this matter.

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10. IT WAS AGREED THAT Civil Affairs Section put the position to AFHQ and request clarification of the points regarding hospitalisation of Patriots.

C.A.
SECTION

Distribution list attached

R.R. CRIPPS, Col.
CSO Civil Affairs Section

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SECRET.

Subject:- Italian Military Hospitals in Northern Italy.

HQ 2 DISTRICT C.M.F.
Tel No.....Ext 65
9703 M. 4.
9 Apr 45.

AMGS 57 Area - (requirements forwarded under your M 5/15 of 25 Feb have been noted and discussed with DAMGS, MMIA).

AMGS 59 Area
AMGS 151 Sub Area

For Information:-

DAMGS Land Forces Sub Commission AC (MMIA).

1. The attached AFHQ letter M 1082 dated 9 Mar 45 is forwarded for information and action as indicated.

2. Reference para 3. Only that part of the Appendix which relates to the Area for which you will be responsible is included.

3. Since receipt of the AFHQ letter in this office further discussions on the matter have been held with DAMGS Land Forces Sub Commission AC. He has agreed that the bids made by the Italian Ministry of War were based on a false assumption that the hospital requirements for Italian Forces in the North would be spread uniformly throughout the Northern Provinces. In fact the larger proportion of these forces will be operating in the M.A. Thus the military hospitals marked by an asterisk are in excess of the actual requirements.

4. ADMGS are requested to notify this office as soon as possible if it is expected that they will need to make use of any of the Hospital accommodation marked.

5. The information called for in para 6 of the AFHQ letter should be passed to DAMGS Land Forces Sub Commission AC through this office.

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4. AMMS are requested to notify this office as soon as possible if it is expected that they will need to make use of any of the Hospital accommodation marked.

5. The information called for in para 6 of the AFHQ letter should be passed to DMAS Land Forces Sub Commission AC through this office.

Brigadier
AMMS

JEF.

Seen
M/17/1562
Verbally. — informed verbally. Fill

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

OFFICE OF THE SURGEON.

Subject:- Italian Military Hospitals in Northern Italy.

To:- DMS 8th Army
DMS 1 District
DMS 2 District
CO 5 Army for A.D.M.S. Br. Inc.

Reference:- M. 1062.

1. The provision of hospital accommodation and the supply of medical stores and equipment for the Italian Army and for the Italian Partisan forces is ultimately an Allied responsibility.

2. It is important that this commitment should not be overlooked in allocating hospital accommodation which is available at present or will become available subsequent to an Allied advance into the Northern Provinces.

3. Attached as Appendix 'A' is a complete list of hospitals situated in the region of Northern Italy still occupied by the enemy. The hospitals which the Italian Ministry of War wishes to reserve for the future needs of Italian forces are marked with an asterisk.

4. The total requirements for Italian forces in the Northern Provinces are estimated to be 8,000 beds. Allowance has been made in Appendix 'A' for expected reduction of accommodation by war damage.

5. While the requirements of the Allied Medical Forces must be given precedence it must be borne in mind that Italian Base Hospitals are not provided with Ordnance equipment which enables them to function in buildings other than existing hospitals, and that if all suitable hospital buildings are taken over by Allied Medical Services the task of equipping other buildings as hospitals for the Italian forces will to a great extent devolve upon the Allies, or alternatively it will become necessary for Italian sick and wounded to be received in Allied Military Hospitals. In either event, an added strain would be placed on Allied Medical resources.

6. It is consequently of great importance that Italian medical stores and hospital equipment which may come into Allied Control should be safeguarded. D.A.D.M.S. Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C. (MMIA) should be informed whenever an Italian hospital is taken over, in order that he may arrange with the

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2 March 45.
MMI/633.

R.A. MERRIAM, Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.
for Major-General, Surgeon,
D.M.S. A.F.H.Q.

Copies to:- Surgeon, MTOUSA.
D.D.M.S. 15 Army Group (2)

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Immediate
a return of Mag
Hegyes
Attendant Mag

Subject:- QI Field Hospital.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
c/o HQ., I District
Ref LO/QIO

11 March 45.

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
M. M. I. A. R O M E.

I. Attached copy of list of material needed to increase the capacity of this hospital from 50 to 200 beds.

2. I am informed by Medical, I District, that the Xray apparatus at Italian Military hospital, ANCONA, needs an overhaul and repair. This could be effected at 620 Medical Equipment Repair wksps at NAPLES.

Capt.
LMI/ID., I District.

Gl. Graham
Send this letter to 'Q' first as many items may not be available in Medical Stores.
'Q' Med. deal in with Xray business

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P/A Well. 13/3.
Capt

M.W. Have taken action

Pas/Gus.

COMANDO 209^ DIVISIONE DI FANTERIA
- Ufficio di Sanità -

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Nº 03/3520/K. di prot. P.M.185, li 9 marzo 1945

-O G G E T T O : -Ospedale attendato ausiliario n.91.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare = P.M.3800 =
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO E.
- Ufficio Servizi - = P.M.3800 =

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA DELEGAZIONE "T" S.M.R.E. = P.M.3800 =

Al Capt. J.A.BOURNE
L.O., M. M. I. A. ,
c/o.Hq.Nº1 District.

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L'ufficio di collegamento M.M.I.A. - 1º District - ha comunicato che l'ospedale attendato ausiliario n.91 deve al più presto essere portato alla capacità di 200 posti letto.

Il materiale occorrente è il seguente :

- n. 150 brandine — Camp beds
- " 150 materassi o brandine — Mattresses
- " 600 lenzuola — Sheets
- " 300 fodere da cuscino — Pillow cases
- " 150 cuscini — Pillows
- " 150 coprilletti — Bed covers
- " 450 coperte — blankets
- " 150 scodelle — bowls
- " 150 bicchieri — drinking glasses
- " 150 cucchiai — spoons
- " 150 forchette — forks
- " 15 padelle — Cooking Pans
- " 30 papagalli — pot-bottles
- " 50 sputtacchiere — spittoons
- " 150 sgabelli — Stools

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- " 150 cucchiai — Spoons
- " 150 forchette — Forks
- " 15 padelle — Cooking Pans
- " 30 papagalli — Bed-bottles
- " 50 sputtacchiere — Spittoons
- " 150 sgabelli — Stools
- " 300 asciugatoi — Towels
- " 300 fazzoletti — Handkerchiefs
- " 210 camicie di tela — Shirts
- " 100 paia di pianelle — Slippers
- " 200 pigiami per ammalati — Pyjamas or night shirts
- " 300 paia calzetti — Socks
- " 200 berretti per ammalati. — Hospital Caps

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Prego voler assegnare con cortese sollecitudine all'ospedale in oggetto il materiale sopra-elencato.

A titolo di informazione comunico che presso il centro recuperi di Perugia e di Arezzo esiste il seguente materiale di casermaggio attualmente bloccato dal Ministero Guerra :

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Centro recuperi di Perugia :

-coperte da campo	n.	134
-lenzuola di cotone	"	300
-lenzuola di canapa	"	402
-fodere canapa per pagli.	"	90
-fodere cotone per " "		80
-fodere canapa per cuscin.	"	50
-fodere cotone per " "		30
-spalliere lettini	"	36
-reti per detti	"	16
-crina vegetale	Kg.	2500

Centro recuperi di Arezzo :

-fodere per materassi	n.	12
-crina vegetale	Kg.	120
-lana per materassi	"	60
-fodere cotone per cusc.	n.	4
-coperte di cotone	"	4
-ferri per brande	"	40
-teli per brande	"	8
-lettini di ferro	"	12
-comodini	"	30
-spalliere per lettini	"	40
-reti per lettini	"	10

IL GENERALE DI DIVISIONE COMANDANTE
(R. Olmi)

Roma

1/ Field blankets ✓
2/ Cotton sheets ✓
3/ Hemp sheets ✓
4/ Hemp pillowcovers ✓
5/ Cotton " " ✓
6/ Hemp Covers for pillows
7/ Cotton Covers " "
8/ Bed steads

1/ Cover mattress
2/ Vegetal hair
3/ Wool for mattresses
4/ Cotton covers for pillows
5/ " blankets
6/ Folding Camp Beds (Iron)
7/ Canvas for beds
8/ Iron beds

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(F. Olmi)

Room

1/ Field blankets ✓
2/ Cotton sheets ✓
3/ Hemp sheets ✓
4/ Hemp palliasse covers ✓
5/ Cotton " " ✓
6/ Hemp Covers for pillows
7/ Cotton Covers " "
8/ Bed Steads
9/ Bed Springs
10 Vegetal Hair

1/ Cover mattress
2/ Vegetal hair
3/ Wool for mattresses
4/ Cotton covers for pillows
5/ " blankets
6/ Folding Camp Beds (Iron)
7/ Canvas for beds
8/ Iron beds
9/ Night tables
10/ Bed Steads
11/ Springs bed 5520

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Subject: S. Maria Nuova Hospital

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
M/17/1219
21 March 45

MMIA L.O. 5th Army

Reference your inter-office memo of 18 March 45.

1. W.E. for Santa Maria Nuova Hospital will be amended to 118 all ranks.

2. Transport Branch, MMIA state Col. Griffi should apply to Delegazione 'T' for the loan of a car or other vehicle.

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/RBG

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: S. Maria Nuova Hospital.

Med 574

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IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	File D.O. 5992/5
	Ital. L.O. G.4	Sr MMIA LO	17 March 1945	Attached is a statement of Col. GRIFFI Direttore di Sanita' di Firenze, who says that the accomodation of the S. Maria Nuova Hospital is 350 Beds. A. Cicogna A.Cicogna, Captain, Italian Liaison Officer, G.4
2	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	18 Mar 1945	It appears that 350 beds is the correct figure and the W.E. would therefore be 118. New subject but important. Col. Griffi needs a car if he going to do his job. R.C. Van Kirk R.C.VAN KIRK, Major, Infantry, Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army

Wkd. 20/3

Can DADT do anything about Col. Griffi is Med. Direttore Delegazione 'T'.

11/7/1205

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Return to Med.

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE
FIRENZE

N.1880/S di prot. Firenze, li 17 marzo 1945
Risposta al foglio n.5973/5 del 17 marzo 1945
OGGETTO: Ospedale S.Maria Nuova.-

ALL'UFFICIO ITALIANO DI COLLEGAMENTO
COLLA 5^ ARMATA
F.M.179

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Si conferma che l'Ospedale C.R.I. di S.Maria Nuova ha la capacità di numero 350 posti letto.-

5992/5
17.5.45

IL COLONNELLO MEDICO DIRETTORE
(Filippo Grifi)

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Subject: S. Maria Nuova Hospital

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
M/17/1058
13 March 45

MMIA L.O. 5th Army

1. It is understood that the accommodation of this hospital is 250 beds, not 350 as stated in your letter.

2. (a) If 250 beds, the correct War Establishment is:-

13 officers 10 Sisters 69 O.Rs. Total 92 all ranks.

(b) If 350 beds, the War Establishment is:-

16 officers 12 Sisters 90 O.Rs. Total 118 all ranks

3. Please confirm (a) or (b) to this office.

R.B.G. Hogie

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/RBG

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

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Subject : Accomodation AFHQ - Q Maintenance

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q/I2

20 March 45

A.F.H.Q.

Scuola Militare, via della Lungara

1. The above premises are at present being held for allocation by Rome Area Allied Command.

2. There is an urgent need for additional hospital accomodation to meet the increased demand on the Italian Army Medical Service resulting from Combat Units being engaged in operations. Application has been made by the War Ministry to the Ministry of Interior for the release of the San Michele hospital in Rome. This is at present occupied by 400 children and the Ministry of Interior are not in a position to release it.

3. It is requested that approval may be given for return of the above premises to the Ministry of War for the purpose of providing additions to Military hospital accomodation.

R.A. CURTISS, Lt.Col
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to - Rome Area Allied Command
- M.M.I.A. Medical.

RAC/fc

Wtd 24/3 file

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G/P 3d Ind CPK/lak
HQ LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, AC (MMIA), APO 394, US Army, 10 Mar 45

TO: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. The Italian Medical Service will maintain adequate medical hospitals and services for all the Italian Armed Forces (Par 9, AFHQ letter, 22 September 1944, file AC 400/108 D-0). MMIA is responsible for insuring that the Italian Army fulfills its responsibility to the maximum extent possible with its available manpower, supplies and accomodations.

2. The Italian Army willingly assumes its responsibilities. However, it must be understood that Italian responsibility must be limited to that which is available and is considered proper by Italian, not Allied, standards, and all subject to the overriding demands of the Allied Armies, so that even in some cases the meagre Italian standards cannot be maintained. The Italian Army does not complain that Allied demands prevent them furnishing their soldiers proper service.

3. The facts regarding Italian hospitalization in the PBS area are as follows:

a. Italian Army requested permission to occupy its Army hospital (400 beds) in Livorno. On 11 October 1944 Fifth Army granted permission. A part of the equipment for this hospital had been removed to Siena, by Italians when Leghorn was bombed.

b. Italian Army went to Siena to secure this equipment, and it was then found that an AMG officer had given the equipment to various civilian hospitals.

c. When other equipment was located, and the Italian Army was prepared to establish the hospital, it was found that a PBS unit had moved in on 21 October 1944. Civilian hospitals, subject to requisition, are located in the same area (see AAI letter of 1 July 1944, file 2030/12/22).

d. Surgeon's office, PBS was visited on 21 October 1944 by MMIA LO, who was informed by the Executive Officer that PBS needs would be handled by PBS utilizing the three US-ITI field hospitals under PBS Command in a part of the civilian hospital and the Italian Army hospital at Antignano (a total of 850 beds). 5514

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e. On 24 October 1944, PBS was asked by signal to allot alternative accomodation in Livorno for an ITI-ITI hospital. On 26 October PBS replied that decision would be made about 30 October.

f. PBS Signal 30527 cite BPSED of 27 October listed alternative sites as the University (civilian) Hospital in Pisa and two civil hospitals in Lucca.

g. On 28 October PBS was requested by MMIA Signal to requisition the University Hospital, Pisa. Fifth Army Signal NR 6474 stated that requisitions in Pisa and Lucca must have Fifth Army approval.

h. On 30 October MMIA asked Fifth Army for University Hospital, Pisa.

i. On 1 November AMG Fifth Army Signal 495 stated that University Hospital, Pisa was desired for civilian use.

j. On 3 November MMIA Signal asked Fifth Army to allow Italian Army to use No. 6 Italian Army Military Hospital in Lucca. This was approved. The hospital (400 beds) was established. Only about 50% has ever been used.

k. On 2 January 1945 MMIA signaled to PBS a report through ALCOM channels to MMIA that additional accomodation in Livorno was needed and asked PBS if MMIA could help.

l. On 7 January PBS Signal 271 cite BPLNO asked that the MMIA Surgeon visit PBS.

m. On 11 - 12 January MMIA Surgeon visited PBS Surgeon and arrangements were made to secure a wing of the civil hospital in Livorno for the Italian Army (400 bed space). PBS Surgeon was also requested to evacuate, by hospital train, to Rome to prevent overcrowding, but to date no patients have been evacuated to the Italian Army hospitals in Rome.

n. The 165th Italian Territorial Military Hospital (400 beds) was in operation in the wing of the civil hospital in Livorno on 12 February.

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4. The equipment of the Italian Army is limited. All that which is available will be used to the fullest extent. It takes time to replace equipment which has been taken over by the Allied Armies. This is being done as rapidly as possible, and it is therefore requested that a list of property which has been loaned to Italian units be forwarded so that the necessary Italian replacement can be furnished.

For the Commanding General:

CLAYTON P. KERR
Colonel, Infantry

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

In reply
refer to

AG 523.06/254 SURG-O 10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Issue of Non-expendable Items - Medical.

TO : Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section, APO 782.

1. Attached is shipping ticket covering equipment issued by 232d Medical Service Battalion to 210th Italian Infantry Division for 20th Pack Mule Group, and copy of letter from Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA), file AG/2/16-303, dated 3 February 1945, subject as above.

2. It is requested that corrective action be instituted and this headquarters informed of action taken to correct what appears to be unauthorized issue of organizational equipment on a permanent basis.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MCNARNEY:

/s/ R. H. Frese
R. H. FRESE,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

2 Incls
Incl 1 - S/T, dtd 24 Jan 45.
Incl 2 - Cpy ltr, Land Forces Sub Commission, AC, (MMIA), AG/2/16-303, dtd 3 Feb 45.

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AG 523.06 BPPCG (10 Feb 45) 1st Ind. FHO/SMF/lt

HEADQUARTERS, PENINSULAR BASE SECTION, APO 782, U.S. Army 17 Feb 45

TO: Commanding General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. Action was taken on 15 February 1945 to recover shipping tickets for the one hundred (100) beds, hospital, folding, shipped to the 212th Command (Italian).

2. During January of this year an investigation of Italian Field hospitals in this area revealed that because of lack of equipment they were utterly incapable of rendering even the minimum service to the U.S. Italian military personnel of this command. I, therefore, directed that, as a matter of operational necessity, equipment necessary to provide adequate minimum hospitalization be made available from American stocks. At the time, American hospitals were taxed to capacity with American hospitalized personnel.

3. Inasmuch as MMIA has not yet assumed its responsibilities for US-ITI hospitalization in this area, the one hundred (100) beds mentioned in Paragraph 1 are now held by the 212th Command (Italian) on a limited shipping ticket on a 120-day basis.

4. It is requested that necessary action be taken to cause MMIA to assume its full and proper responsibilities in this matter without further delay, so that these beds and such other property as may be on a loan basis to the Italian field hospitals can be returned to PENBASE stocks.

/s/ Francis H. Oxx
FRANCIS H. OXX
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Commanding

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2d Ind to ltr Hq MTOUSA, AG 523.06/254 SURG-O, 10 February 1945, subject: "Unauthorized Issue of Non-expendable Items - Medical".

AG 523.06/254 D-O 2d Ind JC/mlm
HEADQUARTERS MTOUSA, APO 512, 4 March 1945

TO: Deputy President, Allied Commission
For: Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA)

1. Peninsular Base Section has changed basis of issue of property concerned from a permanent to a temporary loan basis.

2. Request that MMIA arrange to provide such of the necessary equipment as possible from Italian Military sources so that the equipment now on loan to the Italian field hospitals can be returned to Peninsular Base Section stocks.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MCNARNEY:

/s/ Jack Carter
JACK CARTER
Captain, AGD
Asst Adjutant General

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Subject: 231 Italian Evacuation Hospital

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
RCMP
B/17/1072
13 March 45

NRMS
Bn 3 District

1. 231 Italian Evacuation Hospital (BA.XII) at Afragola will shortly be expanded to 200 beds in order to provide accommodation for troops at the 803 Italian Reinforcement Camp.

2. Equipment for the expansion of 150 beds will, as far as possible, be provided from Italian sources at present being shipped from Sardinia to the mainland. Tentage is however not available from Italian sources.

3. It is suggested that it may be possible to move 231 Evacuation Hospital into a building adjacent to the camp rather than expand it as a tented hospital. It is not known if suitable accommodation is available.

W. C. Heggie

Major,
D.A.D.L.O.

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5. It is suggested that it may be possible to move 231 Evacuation Hospital into a building adjacent to the camp rather than expand it as a tented hospital. It is not known if suitable accommodation is available.

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/MMG

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Copy to: G.O. British Cadre, 803 Italian Reinforcement Camp.
MMIA L.O. Naples
MMIA L.O. 3 District - please contact DMMS and inform this office of his decision.

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Subject: S. Maria Nuova Hospital

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
M/17/105B
13 March 45

MMIA L.O. 5th Army

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16 officers 12 Sisters 90 O.Rs. Total 118 all ranks

3. Please confirm (a) or (b) to this office.

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Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

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

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Subject: S. Maria Nuova Hospital

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IND. HQ.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Sr MMIA LO	LFSCAC (MMIA)	8 Mar 1945	Reference telephone conversation Heggie-Van Kirk, above subject. Am advised that this hospital will provide 350 beds, and the ration strength of the Red Cross personnel will not exceed 100, not 210 as they were formerly feeding. R.C.VAN KIRK, Major, Infantry, Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

CITY OF FLORENCE

PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE DIVISION

7 March 1945

Subject:S.Maria Nuova Red Cross Hospital

To Whom it may concern:

It is agreed that the accomodation occupied by the Italian Red Cross in the S.Maria Nuova Hospital be taken over by the Italian Military Authorities.

T.PARR.Colonel,
RAMC.,S.P.H.O.,
AMG.,Fifth Army.

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Translation.

FROM: War Ministry
TO: M.M.S.A.

M/17/552

REF: 1/1944/SAN.
DATE: 5 FEB. 1945.

Subject: ~~Health~~ Medical Organisations.

A summary is enclosed of Italian Military ~~Health~~ Medical establishments existent in the northern sector of Italy on the 8 August 1943, that is, before the date of the armistice (Enclosure 1).

As can be seen, a ~~health~~ medical organisation comprising over 50,000 beds, is dealt with.

On the basis of experience gained so far on the peninsular, in the expectation of an Allied advance, it is to be presumed that a good part of the A/m. ~~health~~ medical establishments will fall intact into the hands of Allied troops.

Up till June 1944, Allied H.Q. (A.A.I.), in letter 3651/M, showing an understanding of Italian needs, notified that instructions had been issued to the effect that Italian Military Health establishments should be occupied by the Allies only in the event of a lack of any other buildings (barracks, schools, etc) suitable for the installation of a medical establishment.

However, experience has shown that in Campania, Lazio, Toscana, etc. all the

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best Italian Military Medical establishments have been requisitioned by the Allies, and that in many instances the respective equipment has been lost, for lack of custody.

1. Formulation of a schedule

In order to avoid any further loss of precious equipment, it is thought absolutely necessary that definite rulings must be laid down now, on the part of the Italian Military Authorities as well as of the Allied Authorities, to ensure the safeguarding and speedy employment of Military Medical establishments in northern Italy.

To this end, in each regional summary, the medical establishments ~~that are up till now~~ that we would desire were reserved for F.F.A.A. Italian, are marked with a small cross. A list of these establishments is republished in Encl. 2.

This list is subject to all the variations ~~variations~~ (deviations) that are likely to be caused by Allied needs, critical situations, damage to the establishments etc. etc.

The other establishments on the general list could be made available either for Allied troops, or for medical organisations for refugees from captivity or enemy and ex-enemy [illegible]

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Measures for the safe-guarding and employment of medical establishments.

The military medical establishments of German-occupied Italy may be divided into three classes.

1). Medical establishments occupied by German units.
2). Medical establishments occupied by troops of the puppet Republican Fascist government.
3). Medical establishments temporarily closed.

The establishments of the first class (1) will presumably be abandoned upon the arrival of the Allies. Therefore, as soon as possible, they should be placed under guard either by carabinieri or other troops assigned to the task. This also applies to those under heading (3).

The establishments of the second class (2) must, according to circumstances, be temporary closed and garrisoned, or else kept open and in working order, according to the needs and schedules.

In the establishments which carry 5502 ~~not~~ operating, the military personnel attached, even if belonging to the puppet Republican

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Government Forces, must be, limited to the minimum requirements, compelled to remain at their ~~duties~~ posts and continue the temporary fulfilling of their proper duties. Until such time as they are replaced, which must be carried out by this Ministry in the shortest time possible commencing with the Director and officers, the personnel employed must be entitled to the issue of military rations. It is maintained that only thus will it be possible to ensure the continuity of service and the safeguarding of equipment difficult to replace, which otherwise must eventually be requested from Allied sources.

In retaining the ~~principle of the~~ replacement as soon as possible principle, it is to be noted that the temporary employment of de medical personnel a/m is in accordance with the spirit of existing international laws for medical personnel, and with the humanitarian nature of the service.

The substitution of the personnel would ~~must~~ be effected by drawing from the planned reserve groups.

It is probable that the Comb 5501 Groups, in view of their operational role, would not be able to occupy themselves with

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the problem of the guarding and reactivation of the medical establishments of Northern Italy. At the most they could utilise them in the case of emergency. It is maintained, therefore, that the duties of carrying out the necessary inspections, garrisoning the establishments efficiently, collecting the salvagable equipment which is unserviceable or damaged, could be advantageously entrusted, in agreement with the competent Allied Authorities and eventually in collaboration with the C.E.R.S.E.T.I. and C.E.R.S.I. detachments, to the Auxiliary Italian Unit H.Q.s, (H.Q.s of the 209, 210, 228, 231 Divisions, and 212 Italian H.Q.) under the control of the superior departments.

As already observed, the proposed programme is of an elastic nature. The request put forward, for a total of about 12.000 bed spaces, on the basis of an estimate of the probable requirements of the Italian armed forces, also takes into account the probable quota of establishments destroyed.

Up till now, this Ministry has had to establish afresh, in liberated areas, an adequate medical organisation, and has only been able to use to a very limited degree the existent organisations.

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1 The utilisation of an already existent organisation would alleviate future tasks to a great degree and lead to better welfare for the sick.

A cooperative study of the matter and adoption of adequate measures both on the part of the Italians and of the Allies would be of great help in solving the problem.

We trust, then, in the understanding of the competent Allied Authorities and await such time as they will contribute to ensuring the safeguarding of an important quota of the national medical reserves, solving, at the same time, the problem of Italian troops' medical welfare.

Sgd. CASATI.

Chiusi

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Translation.

FROM: Florence Mil. Med. Nucleus.
TO: Army L.O. Italian.
MMIA for info.

REF: 1333/S.
DATE: 27 FEB. 1946.

M/17/986

Subject: Forming of Medical Establishment in Pisa.

The War Ministry - Military Medical Directorate General - 1st. Division - 1st Section, in their dispatch 1/539/San dated 6 inst., addressed to this Directorate and also, for information, to MMIA, ordered the opening of a Convalescent Depot in the buildings of the "Seminario Arcivescovile di S. Caterina" in Pisa.

The writers made immediate arrangements for the necessary agreements with the Engineer Office for the necessary works.

Everything was arranged.

The Surveyor appointed by the Pisa Military Engineer, has today reported that on the commencement of the works there, he has been stopped ~~impeded~~ by the local Authorities of the Allies. It is requested in the meantime ~~Therefore sending~~ to inform ~~the~~ MMIA's representative that the building of the "Seminario Arcivescovile di S. Caterina" in Pisa has been placed at the disposal of the Military Medical

no action. Maj. Van Keith tells me now going to Calci 220 beds

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Directorate General by MMIA in letter 11/17/459 of 4 February last.

We await a clarification on the matter.

Sgd: GRIFI.
Col.

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Subject: Italian Army Hospitals in North Italy

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
6/12
10 (4) March 1945

WAR file
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To : AFHQ for CAO

M/17/1003

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is a list of Italian Army hospitals in North Italy which has been forwarded by the Minister for War. Hospital sites marked (*) at Appendix "A" have been requested by the Minister for War for Italian Army use.

2. Current instructions (AFHQ Circulars Nos. 13 and 89, 1944 and AMG letter 2020/19/GP of 1 July 1944) adequately cover the policy in regard to Italian Army property. However, the implementation of these instructions presents certain problems.

3. [illegible]

To insure that all available Italian Army hospitals and equipment are preserved for (1) use by the Allied Armies, (2) use by the Italian Army, and (3) i.e. surplus accomodations, use by civilian agencies.

4. In the past, from reports, it is known that:

a. Italian Army hospitals have been entered by Allied and Italian Army personnel, and civilians; equipment has been pilfered or destroyed, and valuable medical supplies have been dissipated.

b. Allied officers have taken charge of these hospitals without making inventories of the supplies and equipment therein, so that when the hospitals were turned back to the Italian Army, no records existed.

5. Attention is invited to copy of letter, M/17/Sig of 20 February 1945 attached at Appendix "B". It is not considered that this letter, while it states the needs of the Italian Army, will fully carry out the objective stated in Par 3 above.

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6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. That the list of Italian Military hospitals be sent to Army Commanders.

b. That Army Commanders be instructed

(1) That "operational reserve" as defined in Par 3 of AFHQ Circular 22, 1944, is limited to "operational necessity for the Allied Forces only and not for the use of civilians", and such authority will be exercised only on written authorization of the Army Commander.

(2) Listed hospitals are to be considered in the same category as "Historical Monuments".

(3) Listed hospitals will be placed under Allied military guard immediately, and removal of equipment and supplies will be prevented.

(4) Such hospitals as are desired for use of the Allied Armies will be inventoried, and the equipment and supplies therein will be accounted for by the Allied officers.

(5) That the hospitals listed as required by the Italian Army be placed at the disposal of the Italian Army or alternative accomodations be made available.

(6) That such hospitals as are not disposed of by (3) and (4) above be turned over to the Italian Army (Italian Army detachments for recovery of property, now attached to and working under command of the Fifth and Eighth Armies).

(7) That AMG officers are <u>not</u> to remove equipment or property of any sort from the hospitals in (5) and (4) above, and from the hospitals in (5) above only in accordance with AFHQ Circular 22 (that is - secure prior permission for the removal and account for the property).

L. Brownell

Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (Italy)

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Appendices "A" and "B" attached.

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APPENDIX "A"

TUNIS

			Bed-Space
TUNIS	Military Hospital	No	495
ASTI	Hospital Military Wing	"	810
MIGNANA	Military Hospital	"	640
PANORMO	Terr. Military Hospital "S. Marie Immacolata"	"	300
ASTI	Military Hospital	"	270
TUNIS	Terr. Military Hospital "Nicholey"	"	520
GRIO-CARAVENE	Terr. Military Hospital "Mies. Consolata"	"	500
BAVENE	Terr. Military Hospital	"	790
ASTI	Observation Military Hospital	"	180
CARRIE-MONTEBRATO	Military Wing	"	380
	Total		3,475

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ALESSANDRIA

			Bed Space
ALESSANDRIA	Military Hospital	Do	270
ALESSANDRIA	Foot House	"	180
ALESSANDRIA	Civil Hospital (Santa Rita)	"	110
ACQUI	Terr. Military Hospital	"	270
VOGHERA	Terr. Military Hospital	"	270
TAVIGLIANO	Terr. Military Hospital "Ospizio Carità"	"	94
SAVIGLIANO	Military Hospital "S. Croce"	"	540
SALUZZO	Terr. Military Hospital "Opera Pia Tapparelli"	"	140
	Total		1,584

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MILAN

			Bed-space
MELZANO MELZANO	Military Hospital Military observation Hospital	Do "	1200 600
BELLAGIO	Hospital "Colonia Doctrina PP.SS."	"	540
MELZEO MELZEO	Principal C.R.I. Hospital Principal Hospital "Crozza"	" "	147 370
BRUGHIA BRUGHIA	"Mossini" College Military Hospital	" "	800 370
MILACCHIA PIACENZA PIACENZA	Military Hospital Military Hospital "Nuovi" (p.g.) "Alberoni" College (p.g.)	" " "	530 260 160
PARMA PARMA	Infermeria Provinciale School "A. Tanzi" (p.g.)	" "	200 200
VARESE VARESE	Clinic Prov. Ospedale Hospital Alberto Reale a Vies.	" "	800 560
GERMONA GERMONA	S. Angela College - part of Civil Hosp. Clinic S. Camillo	" "	370 170
PAVIA PAVIA	Polyclinic S. Matteo Padiglione San. Ferlanini	" "	850 400
BERGAMO	Casa for the Aged (p.g.)	"	300
VARESE	Palace Hotel - Colle Campiani	"	790
BUSTANO	Part of Civil Hospital	"	820
VARESE VARESE	"Manzoni" College Female Orphanage	" "	530 300
COMO	Padiglione Civil Hospital	"	400
LECCO	New building, School starting to work (Lambiasi Center)	"	300
BELLANZONE BELLANZONE	Civil R.C. Hospital Military Hospital Aelio	" "	100 130
TREVIGLIO	Padiglione Civil Hospital (p.g.)	"	150
BERGAMO-CITTA	Social Assurance Institute	"	1000
PAVIA	"Borromeo" College	"	350
CREMA	Part of Seminary Arcivescovile - Part of College Arisella	"	5492 200
BELLAGIO LIMONTA ESO	Ex Great Britain Hotel (p.g.) Home Depot for Milan Train Workers Part of Roop-Lodes	" " "	600 250 250
	Total		15,037

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BOLZANO

			Inscriptions
BRUNICO	Military Hospital	"	900
VERONA	Municipal Institute	"	190
VERONA	Institute Olivetto	"	200
VERONA	Ex Civil Hospital	"	700
BOLZANO	Military Hospital	"	340
BOLZANO	Military Hospital "Queen Helen School"	"	450
BOLZANO	Military Hospital "Scuola Duca di Aosta"	"	900
MERANO	Hotel "Dona"	"	470
MERANO	Hotel "Bellariva"	"	350
MERANO	Hotel "Esperia"	"	300
MERANO	Institute "Meneoni"	"	170
MERANO	Grand Hotel Terme	"	800
RIVA	Military Hospital "Europa"	"	240
RIVA	Military Hospital "Sole"	"	160
MERANO	Hospital "Bellavista"	"	300
RIVA G.	Military Hospital "Lago e Parco"	"	170
TRENTO	Military Hospital	"	280
TRENTO	Military Hospital "Dame di Sion"	"	300
BRESSANONE	Hospital Seminario	"	450
BRESSANONE	Hospital "Guggenberg"	"	150
LEVICO	Military Hospital "Bellavista"	"	306
	Total		5491

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TRIESTE

			Patients
TRIESTE	Military Hospital	"	800
TRIESTE	Military Hospital of Tarvisio	"	180
TRIESTE	Terr. Military Hospital "Imperial"	"	500
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "Miramare"	"	100
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "Duca d'Aosta"	"	800
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "Tamerlia"	"	300
TRIESTE	Civil Hospital "Regina Elena"	"	180
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "S. Valerio"	"	200
TRIESTE	Civil Hospital "S.M. Maddalena"	"	100
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "V. di Savoia"	"	300
TRIESTE	Reparto Malarici "Lauin"	"	128
TRIESTE	Military Hospital "Stotuper"	"	600
GORIZIA	Infermeria Presidaria	"	300
PIAVE	Civil Hospital "S. Spirito"	"	800
VALDOLMIA	Civil Red Cross Hospital	"	800
MONFALCONE	Civil Hospital	"	118
ADRIATIC	Terr. Military Hospital "Salvadore"	"	640
TRIESTE	Ricovero Sanitario Contumacia	"	300
TRIESTE	Isolation Center	"	108
ROMANIA	Terr. Hospital "Duchi d'Aosta"	"	200
	Total		4,965

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BOLOGNA

			Pati-Ennese
BOLOGNA	Military Hospital	Re	470
BOLOGNA	Section School "Pentecosti"	"	800
BOLOGNA	Section School "Masi"	"	260
BOLOGNA	Section School "Carducci"	"	500
BOLOGNA	Orphanage S. Leonardo	"	300
BOLOGNA	Seminary Viccessano	"	450
VIBOLA	School Avviamento	"	260
S.GIOVANNI PAOLO-Elementary School ex Asilo		"	400
VIBOLA	New Courts of Justice	"	140
CASTELFRANCO	Elementary School	"	280
MEDICINA	Orphans' Institute S. Geminiano e S. Paolo	"	410
MEDICINA	School Verano e Reg. Margherita	"	400
CASTEL S.PIETRO-School "Albertazzi" (P.Z.)		"	575
IMOLA	Elementary School	"	690
	Total		5,195

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UDINE

			Bed-Space
UDINE	Military Hospital	"	660
GORIZIA	Military Hospital	"	440
UDINE	Hospital S. Maria Misericordia	"	600
UDINE	Hospital Tomadini	"	180
UDINE	Military Hospital Lovario	"	50
UDINE	Military Hospital of Ciarmalline	"	200
UDINE	Houses	"	40
UDINE	Lemisary Arcivescovile	"	250
UDINE	Military Hospital "Montegrappa" (Contumaciale)	"	170
UDINE	Civil Hospital Gervasutta	"	50
GEMONA DEL FRIULI	Elementary School	"	300
GORIZIA	Clinic "S. Giusto"	"	200
GORIZIA	Seminary Minore	"	550
CIVIDALE	Military Hospital National College	"	300
	Total		4,170

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GENOA

			Beds-Degree
GENOVA	Military Hospital	No	356
GENOVA QUARTO	Military Hospital Prov.	"	800
NERVIGA	Infermeria Presidaria	"	173
CELLE LIGURE	Colonia Filanese	"	500
LOANO	Colonia Vittorio Emanuele III	"	900
ORTENA LIGURE	"S. Cuore" Institute	"	800
LOANO	Ospizio Piemontese	"	450
VARAZZE	Colonia Borgamasca Conv.	"	470
CHIAVARI	Red Cross Hospital	"	200
CAVE DI LAVAGNA	Colonia Cogno	"	200
FINALPIA	Colonia Tanola	"	340
CHIAVARI	Colonia Faro a Piaggio	"	630
GEN. NIVAROLO	Colonia Hospital	"	150
GEN. SAN IGNAZIO	Civil Hospital	"	150
LAVAGNA	Opera Pia Fasmatono	"	300
	Total		5,401

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TREVISO

			Bed Space
MTESWIZO	Military Hospital Terr.	So	500
MPLDOVA	Terr. Military Hospital	"	730
CASTELFRANCO	Terr. Military Hospital	"	250
CITTADELLA	Terr. Military Hospital	"	170
CONEGLIANO	Terr. Military Hospital	"	100
PELLAZZ	Terr. Military Hospital	"	180
MONSELICE	Terr. Military Hospital	"	050
MGALE	Red Cross Hospital	"	160
ORMELO	Terr. Military Hospital	"	100
PORDENONE	Terr. Military Hospital	"	250
S. VITO AL TAGLIAMENTO	Terr. Military Hospital	"	1800
VICENZA	Terr. Military Hospital	"	380
VALDOBIADENE	Terr. Military Hospital	"	140
VENEZIA	Civil Hospital "Lido"	"	400
VERONA	Civil Hospital	"	200
CAMPODARSEGO	Civil Hospital	"	180
	Total		6,770

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APPENDIX "B" APPENDIX "B" 2222

Subject: Italian Military Hospitals in Northern Italy

REPORT

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
8/27/819
28 Feb 45

DEC APPR (2)

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Italian Ministry of War have requested that in order to avoid previous difficulties in obtaining hospital accommodation for Italian troops fighting and working with the Allies, a proportion of these hospitals should be allotted to the Italian Medical Services. The hospital sites requested for each area have been marked (o) at Appendix "A" and a summary given at Appendix "B".

The total number of beds requested is approximately 16,000. This number was considered too high and Ministry of War have since stated that it included a 33% to 40% estimate for damaged and untenable buildings.

Basic requirements are therefore between 7,500 and 8,000 beds. At RF cover this is not an unreasonable demand for Italian Army and Air Force troops who may possibly be moved into Northern Italy.

2. While Allied needs may make it impossible to allot the identical sites, it is requested that Italian military requirements should be included in any future planning.

3. In addition to the accommodation problem, the scarcity of hospital equipment and furniture is acute. At present the expansion of hospitals in the Florence area is dependent on the transfer of materials from Sardinia. When Italian military hospitals are captured the safe custody of materials is essential to minimize demands on Allied resources, facilities and transport.

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5. If the requests made in this letter are approved, may Allied formations concerned be asked to cooperate particularly in respect of the safeguarding of hospital materials.

/s/ R. A. Hawkie
Major,
U.S.A.F.E.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMLA)

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Subject: Italian Military Hospitals in Northern Italy

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
M/17/819
28 Feb 45

DMS AMHQ (2)

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A.C. Heggie
Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

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Copy to: DDMS 2 District) Reference points raised at
Director Public Health Sub Comm. AC.) Conference on Patriots on 27.2.45.

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R I E P I L O G O (SUMMARY)

			BEDS EQUIPPED Posti-letto
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	TORINO	N°	3.475
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	ALESSANDRIA	"	1.554
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	MILANO	"	13.037
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	BOLZANO	"	7.356
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	TRIESTE	"	4.963
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	BOLOGNA	"	5.195
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	UDINE	"	4.170
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	TREVISO	"	5.770
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	GENOVA	"	5.901
TOTALE GENERALE POSTI-LETTO		N°	51.421

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	UDINE	"	4.170
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	TREVISO	"	5.770
DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI	GENOVA	"	5.901
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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE - TORINO -

			Posti-letto
+ TORINO	- Ospedale Militare	Nº	425
ASTI	- Sezione Ospedale Militare	"	510
+ NOVARA	- Ospedale Militare	"	260
PINEROLO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale "S.Maria Annunziata"	"	300
ASTI	- Ospedale Militare	"	270
TORINO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Richeley"	"	220
CRIO-CANAVESE	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Miss.Consolata"	"	200
RAVENO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	790
ASTI	- Ospedale Militare Osservazione	"	150
CASALE-MONFERRATO	- Sezione Militare	"	350
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TORINO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Richeley"	"	220 + 2 for ITALY
ORIO-CANAVESE	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Miss.Consolata"	"	200
BAVENO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	790
ASTI	- Ospedale Militare Osservazione	"	150
CASALE-MONFERRATO	- Sezione Militare	"	350

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE - ALESSANDRIA -

				Posti-letto
+ ALESSANDRIA	-	Ospedale Militare	N°	270 +
ALESSANDRIA	-	Casa di riposo	"	120
ALESSANDRIA	-	Ospedale Civile (Reparto dermo-celtici)	"	110
ACQUI	-	Ospedale Militare territoriale	"	200
VOGHERA	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	370
SAVIGLIANO	-	Ospedale Militare "S.Monica"	"	250
SAVIGLIANO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Ospizio Carità"	"	94
SALUZZO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Opera Pia Tapparelli"	"	140
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SAVIGLIANO	-	Ospedale Militare "S.Monica"	"	296
SAVIGLIANO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Ospizio Carità"	"	94
SALUZZO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale "Opera Pia Tapparelli"	"	140

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - MILANO -

				Posti-letto
+ MILANO	-	Ospedale Militare	N°	1.200
MILANO	-	Ospedale Militare Osservazione	"	600
BALLASIO	-	Ospedale "Colonia Montana FF.SS."	"	340
MILANO	-	Ospedale Maggiore C.R.I.	"	147
MILANO	-	Ospedale Maggiore"Sforza"	"	370
BRESCIA	-	Collegio "Rossini"	"	300
+ BRESCIA	-	Ospedale Militare	"	370
+ PIACENZA	-	Ospedale Militare	"	520
PIACENZA	-	Ospedale Militare "Morigi" (p.g.)	"	250
PIACENZA	-	Collegio "Alberoni" (p.g.)	"	140
PARMA	-	Infermeria Presidiaria	"	300
PARMA	-	Scuola "A.Mazza" (p.g.)	"	250
VARENNA	-	Clinica Prev.Regoleto	"	300
VARENNA	-	Ospedale Albergo Reale e Vitt.	"	260
CREMONA	-	Coll.S.Angelo - parte Osped.Civile	"	270
CREMONA	-	Casa di cura S. Camillo	"	170
PAVIA	-	Policlinico S. Matteo	"	350
PAVIA	-	Padiglione San. Forlanini	"	450
BERGAMO	-	Ricovero Vecchi (p.g.)	"	500
VARESE	-	Albergo Palazzo - Colle Campigni	"	720
BERGAMO	-	Parte Ospedale Civile	"	530
VARESE	-	Collegio "Macchi"	"	330
VARESE	-	Orfanotrofio Femminile	"	300
COMO	-	Padiglione Ospedale Civile	"	400
LECCO	-	Nuovo edificio Scuola Avviamento al Lavoro (Centro Mutilati)	"	500
GALLARATE	-	Ospedale Civile T.B.C.	"	100
GALLARATE	-	Ospedale Militare Reilo	"	150
TREVIGLIO	-	Padiglione Ospedale Civile (p.g.)	"	230
SALSOMAGGIORE	-	Istituto Previdenza Sociale	"	1.000
PAVIA	-	Collegio "Borromeo"	"	350
CREMA	-	Parte Seminario Arcivescovile - Parte Collegio Aricelle	"	300
BELLAGIO	-	Ex Albergo Gran Bretagna (pleur.)	"	500
LIMONTA	-	Conv.Aziende Tranvie Milanesi	"	250
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[illegible]	-	Ricovero Vecchi (p.g.)	"	500
VARESE	-	Albergo Palazzo - Colle Campigni	"	720
BERGAMO	-	Parte Ospedale Civile	"	530
VARESE	-	Collegio "Macchi"	"	330
VARESE	-	Orfanotrofio Femminile	"	300
COMO	-	Padiglione Ospedale Civile	"	400
LECCO	-	Nuovo edificio Scuola Avviamento al Lavoro (Centro Mutilati)	"	500
GALLARATE	-	Ospedale Civile T.B.C.	"	100
GALLARATE	-	Ospedale Militare Asilo	"	150
TREVIGLIO	-	Padiglione Ospedale Civile (p.g.)	"	230
SALSOMAGGIORE	-	Istituto Previdenza Sociale	"	1.000
PAVIA	-	Collegio "Borromeo"	"	350
CREMA	-	Parte Seminario Arcivescovile - Parte Collegio Aricelle	"	300
BELLAGIO	-	Ex Albergo Gran Bretagna (plour.)	"	500
LIMONTA	-	Conv.Aziende Tranvie Milanesi	"	250
RHO	-	Parte Casa degli Oblati	"	290

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DIREZIONE SANITA' MILITARE DI - BOLZANO -

					Posti-letto
+	VERONA	-	Ospedale Militare — bombed out	Nº	900
	VERONA	-	Istituto Civico bombed out	"	190
	VERONA	-	Istituto Stimato bombed out	"	200
	VERONA	-	Ex Ospedale Civile Can be opened	"	700
	BOLZANO	-	Ospedale Militare	"	340
	BOLZANO	-	Ospedale Militare "Scuola Regina Elena"	"	450
	BOLZANO	-	Ospedale Militare "Scuola Duca di Pistoia"	"	200
	MERANO	-	ALBERGO "Emma"	"	470
	MERANO	-	" "Bellariva"	"	330
	MERANO	-	" "Esperia"	"	300
	MERANO	-	Istituto "Manzoni"	"	170
	MERANO	-	Grande Albergo Merano	"	800
	RIVA	-	Ospedale Militare "Europa"	"	240
	RIVA	-	Ospedale Militare " Sole "	"	160
	MERANO	-	Ospedale "Bellavista"	"	300
	RIVA G.	-	Ospedale Militare "Lago e Parco"	"	170
+	TRENTO	-	Ospedale Militare	"	260
	TRENTO	-	Ospedale Militare "Dame di Sion"	"	300
	BRESSANONE	-	Ospedale Seminario	"	450
	BRESSANONE	-	Ospedale "Guggenberg"	"	[illegible]

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MERANO	-	ALBERGO "Emma"	"	470
MERANO	-	" "Bellariva"	"	330
MERANO	-	" "Esperia"	"	300
MERANO	-	Istituto "Manzoni"	"	170
MERANO	-	Grande Albergo Merano	"	800
RIVA	-	Ospedale Militare "Europa"	"	240
RIVA	-	Ospedale Militare " Sole "	"	160
MERANO	-	Ospedale "Bellavista"	"	300
RIVA G.	-	Ospedale Militare "Lago e Parco"	"	170
+ TRENTO	-	Ospedale Militare	"	260
TRENTO	-	Ospedale Militare "Dame di Sion"	"	300
BRESSANONE	-	Ospedale Seminario	"	450
BRESSANONE	-	Ospedale "Guggemberg"	"	120
LEVICO	-	Ospedale Militare "Bellavista"	"	306
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For Verona hospital see Von Vietinghoff letter.

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - TRIESTE -

				Posti-letto
+	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare	N°	500
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare di Tarabocchio	"	130
+	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare Terr. "Stuparich"	"	300
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "Rismondo"	"	180
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "Duca d'Aosta"	"	300
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "Gaspardis"	"	300
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Civile "Regina Elena"	"	180
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "S.Valerio"	"	200
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Civile "S.M.Maddalena"	"	100
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "E.di Savoia"	"	300
	TRIESTE	- Reparto Malarici "Zaule"	"	125
	TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare "Statuper"	"	290
+	ICICI	- Infermeria Presidiaria	"	300
	FIUME	- Ospedale Civile "S.Spirito"	"	300
	VALDOLTRA	- Ospedale Civile C.R.I.	"	300
	MONFALCONE	- Ospedale Civile	"	115
	ABBAZIA	- Ospedale Milit.Terr. "Belvedere"	"	340
	TRIESTE	- Stazione Bonifica Contumacia	"	288
	TRIESTE	- Reparto Scabbiosi	"	125
	SESANA	- Ospedale Terr. "Duchi d'Aosta"	"	290

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TRIESTE	-	Ospedale Militare "S.Valerio"	"	200
TRIESTE	-	Ospedale Civile "S.M.Maddalena"	"	100
TRIESTE	-	Ospedale Militare "E.di Savoia"	"	300
TRIESTE	-	Reparto Malarici "Zaule"	"	125
TRIESTE	-	Ospedale Militare "Statuper"	"	290
+ ICICI	-	Infermeria Presidiaria	"	300
FIUME	-	Ospedale Civile "S.Spirito"	"	300
VALDOLTRA	-	Ospedale Civile C.R.I.	"	300
MONFALCONE	-	Ospedale Civile	"	115
ABBAZIA	-	Ospedale Milit.Terr. "Belvedere"	"	340
TRIESTE	-	Stazione Bonifica Contumacia	"	288
TRIESTE	-	Reparto Scabbiosi	"	125
SESANA	-	Ospedale Terr. "Duchi d'Aosta"	"	290

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No 111.111 serviti le entre provincie ~~di Gorizia~~ Venezia Giulia

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - BOLOGNA -

(ancora da liberare)

Yes. O.K.

			Posti-letto
+ BOLOGNA	-	Ospedale Militare Principale	N° 470 + 300
+ BOLOGNA	-	Sezione Scuola "Pansacchi"	" 300
- BOLOGNA	-	Sezione Scuola "Masi"	" 250
+ BOLOGNA	-	Sezione Scuola "Carducci"	" 300
BOLOGNA	-	Orfanotrofio S. Leonardo	" 300
+ BOLOGNA	-	Seminario Diocesano	" 450? → 600.
VIGNOLA	-	Scuole Avviamento	" 260
S.GIOVANNI PERS.	-	Scuola Elementare ed Asilo	" 400
VIGNOLA	-	Pretura Nuova	" 140
CASTELFRANCO	-	Scuola Elementare	" 250
~~+ MODENA (bombed out)~~	-	~~Istituto Orfanelle S.Geminiano e S.Paolo~~	~~" 410~~ ? X bombed out.
+ FERRARA	-	Scuola Verano e Reg.Margherita	" 400? →
+ CASTEL S.PIETRO	-	Scuola "Albertazzi" (p.g.)	" 575
IMOLA	-	Scuola Elementare	" 690

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S.GIOVANNI PERS.	-	Scuola Elementare ed Asilo	" 400
VIGNOLA	-	Pretura Nuova	" 140
CASTELFRANCO	-	Scuola Elementare	" 250
+ ~~MODENA~~ (bombed out)	-	~~Istituto Orfanelle S.Geminiano e S.Paolo~~	~~" 110~~ ? X bombed out.
+ FERRARA	-	Scuola Verano e Reg.Margherita	" 400? →
+ CASTEL S.PIETRO	-	Scuola "Albertazzi" (p.g.)	" 575
IMOLA	-	Scuola Elementare	" 690

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - UDINE -

				Posti-letto
+	UDINE	-	Ospedale Militare	N° 660
	GORIZIA	-	Ospedale Militare	" 440
	UDINE	-	Ospedale S.Maria Misericordia	" 660
	UDINE	-	Ospedale Tosadini	" 180
	UDINE	-	Ospedale Militare Lovaria	" 50
	UDINE	-	Ospedale Militare di Giannellina	" 200
	UDINE	-	Casa	" 60
	UDINE	-	Seminario Arcivescovile	" 350
	UDINE	-	Ospedale Militare "Montegrappa" (Contumaciale)	" 170
	UDINE	-	Ospedale Civile Gervasutta	" 50
	GEMONA DEL FRIULI	-	Scuole Elementari	" 300
	GORIZIA	-	Casa di cura "S.Giusto"	" 200
	~~GORIZIA~~	~~-~~	~~Seminario Minore~~ (NO - not allowed)	~~" 350~~
	CIVIDALE	-	Ospedale Militare Collegio Nazionale	" 300

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UDINE	-	Seminario Arcivescovile	"	350
UDINE	-	Ospedale Militare "Montegrappa" (Contumaciale)	"	170
UDINE	-	Ospedale Civile Gervasutta	"	50
GEMONA DEL FRIULI	-	Scuole Elementari	"	300
GORIZIA	-	Casa di cura "S.Giusto"	"	200
~~GORIZIA~~	~~-~~	~~Seminario Minore~~ ~~(NO retained)~~	~~"~~	~~550~~
CIVIDALE	-	Ospedale Militare Collegio Nazionale	"	300

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Within province of Gorizia Venezia.

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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - TREVISO -

			Posti-letto	
+ TREVISO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	Nº	500
+ PADOVA	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	730
CASTELFRANCO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	250
CITTADELLA	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	170
CONEGLIANO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	100
FELTRE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	150
MONFALICE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	250
MOALE	-	Ospedale della O.R.I.	"	150
ODERZO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	100
PORDENONE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	250
S.VITO AL TAGLIAMENTO	-	Ospedale Milit.Territor.	"	1.800
VICENZA	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	380
VALDOBBIANE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	150
VENEZIA	-	Ospedale Civile "Lido"	"	400
VENEZIA	-	Ospedale Civile	"	200
CAMPOSAMPIERO	-	Ospedale Civile	"	150

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[illegible]	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	250
MOALE	-	Ospedale della C.R.I.	"	150
ODERZO	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	100
PORDENONE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	250
S.VITO AL TAGLIAMENTO	-	Ospedale Milit.Territor.	"	1.800
VICENZA	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	380
VALDOBBIANE	-	Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	190
VENEZIA	-	Ospedale Civile "Lido"	"	400
VENEZIA	-	Ospedale Civile	"	200
CAMPOSAMPIERO	-	Ospedale Civile	"	150
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DIREZIONE DI SANITA' MILITARE DI - GENOVA -

Am. Pm. / Palestrina - Rome.

detach, from M. of W / P.H S/C. — Lancaster Castle / Steven Bannerd

			Posti-letto
+	~~GENOVA - Ospedale Militare~~	~~Nº~~	~~355~~
	GENOVA QUARTO - Ospedale Militare Prov.	"	500
+	ALBENGA - Infermeria Presidiaria	"	175
	CELLE LIGURE - Colonia Milanese	"	500
	LOANO - Colonia Vittorio Emanuele III°	"	900
+	PIETRA LIGURE - Istituto "S.Cuore".	"	500
	LOANO - Ospizio Piemontese	"	450
	VARAZZE - Colonia Bergamasca Conv.	"	470
	CHIAVARI - Ospedale C.R.I.	"	200
	CAVI DI LAVAGNA - Colonia Cogne	"	200
	FINALPIA - Colonia Lancia	"	340
	CHIAVARI - Colonia Faro e Piaggio	"	630
	GEN.RIVAROLO - Ospedale Chiesia	"	150
	GEN.SAMPIERDARENA - Ospedale Civile	"	150
	LAVAGNA - Opera Pia Passatore	"	380

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VARAZZE	- Colonia Bergamasca		
CHIAVARI	- Ospedale C.R.I.	"	200
CAVI DI LAVAGNA	- Colonia Cogne	"	200
FINALPIA	- Colonia Lancia	"	340
CHIAVARI	- Colonia Faro e Piaggio	"	630
GEN.RIVAROLO	- Ospedale Chiesia	"	150
GEN.SAMPIERDARENA	- Ospedale Civile	"	150
LAVAGNA	- Opera Pia Parmatore	"	380

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LIST OF MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS FOR ITALIAN

ELENCO STABILIMENTI SANITARI PER LE FF.AA. ITALIANE

		Posti-letto	
TORINO	- Ospedale Militare	N°	425
NOVARA	- Ospedale Militare	"	260
ALESSANDRIA	- Ospedale Militare	"	270
MILANO	- Ospedale Militare	"	1.200
BRESCIA	- Ospedale Militare	"	370
PIACENZA	- Ospedale Militare	"	520
VERONA	- Ospedale Militare	"	900
TRENTO	- Ospedale Militare	"	260
TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare	"	900
TRIESTE	- Ospedale Militare Terr. "Stuparich"	"	300
ICICI	- Infermeria Presidiaria 5472	"	300
BOLOGNA	- Ospedale Militare	"	470
BOLOGNA	- Sezione Scuola "Panzacchi"	"	300
BOLOGNA	- Sezione Scuola "Carducci"	"	300
BOLOGNA	- Seminario Diocesano	"	450
MODENA	- Istituto Orfanelle S.Geminiano e S.Paolo	"	410
FERRARA	- Scuola Veraro e Regina Margherita	"	400
CASTEL S.PIETRO	- Scuola Albertazzi p.g.	"	575
UDINE	- Ospedale Militare	"	660
GORIZIA	- Seminario Minore	"	550
CIVIDALE	- Ospedale Militare Collegio Nazionale	"	300
PORDENONE	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	[illegible]

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BOLOGNA	- Sezione Scuola "Panzacchi"	"	300
BOLOGNA	- Sezione Scuola "Carducci"	"	300
BOLOGNA	- Seminario Diocesano	"	450
MODENA	- Istituto Orfanelle S.Geminiano e S.Paolo	"	410
FERRARA	- Scuola Verano e Regina Margherita	"	400
CASTEL S.PIETRO	- Scuola Albertazzi p.g.	"	575
UDINE	- Ospedale Militare	"	560
GORIZIA	- Seminario Minore	"	550
CIVIDALE	- Ospedale Militare Collegio Nazionale	"	300
TREVISO	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	500
PADOVA	- Ospedale Militare Territoriale	"	730
GENOVA	- Ospedale Militare	"	356
ALBENGA	- Infermeria Presidiaria	"	175
PIETRA LIGURE	- Istituto "S.Cuore"	"	500

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Translation

From Min. of War — Ref. 1/539/San Medical
To Mil. Medical Directorate — Date Feb. 6, 1945
of FLORENCE
for info to MMIA
Subject Planning of medical establishment in PISA.

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Gen. A. file 12/2.

Further to our 1/329/San dated Jan 26, 1945 with letter M/17/45 4 dated 4th inst., MMIA has informed us that the building of the S. CATERINA Arch-bishopric seminary in PISA is at the disposal of this Directorate General for the establishing of a medical establishment with a capacity of 250 beds.

From a previous report sent by Medical Colonel GONZALES, sent by the u/s to the place, it appears that the premises of the Arch-bishopric seminary in question would not serve for the establishing of a military hospital owing to insufficiency of latrines and kitchens. However, said building could be

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used as a convalescence home with a capacity of 250 bed spaces, and in the gymnasium of the Germany field kitchens could be installed for the cooking of the meals.

Moreover, another convalescence home for officers, with 50 bed spaces could be set up in the villa belonging to BUFFARINI GUIDO at CUGIGLIANO.

You will contact Medical Colonel GONZALES who is at LEGHORN, and order that the two a/m convalescence homes which are to receive civilian rations be organized within the shortest time possible.

PERSONNEL: The assignment of the director and the two junior medical officers has already been ordered: while waiting for the assignment of other personnel you may make use of the personnel sent recently to LEGHORN for the first arrangement and organization ~~accommodation~~

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a) the establishments

Materials: the bedding, lit, medical and general service materials etc., must be drawn from the excess materials belonging to the LEGNOR hospital, and from the materials which may be drawn from the St. Army Mob. and Recovery Center, or which may be drawn from the local Commissariat Warehouse.

Eventual requirements of materials will be promptly reported to the u/s.

Organization and service of the Convalescence homes:

~~[illegible]~~ We abide by what is prescribed in Article 117 - Para. 21 of "The Regulation on Mil. Serv. medical service." All of the military who, due to the fact that their families are located in Territory

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not yet liberated, cannot go home to spend their convalescence leave, as those who come under the condition stated in sub-para. 5 of said Article.

Rations: The convalescence homes will receive civilian rations both for patient and for assistance personnel. (Circular No. 1/5 7 57/50n/ dated Dec. 30, 1944.

Please let us know as soon as possible, what will be done in regard to this, and if, at a later date, with the necessary rounds and adaptations, the convalescence home on the premises of the S. CATERINA Bischopric Germany may function as a hospital

(Sgd) Gen. CHLDAROLA

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cpl. V.C.

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Subject:- Accommodation - Villa Fonseca.

Land Forces Sub-Com. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

AG/7/1.
5 February, 45.

To :- Ministry of War.

Reference your 1/154/SAM dated 13 Jan 45 and further to this HQ letter AG/7/1 dated 18 Jan 45.

Enclosed is copy of a letter from R.A.A.O. giving permission for use of the above premises according to the plan submitted and laying down the conditions under which such permission is granted.

D.B.L.GRIGSON, Major,
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

DBLG/gb

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
REAL ESTATE SECTION
APO 794, US ARMY

RSM/wc
23 January 1945.

GP 58

Subject: Accommodation - Villa Fonseca

To : Allied Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission.

1. Reference our letter GP-58 dated 9 January 1945, letter of Sub-Commission AG/7/1 dated 18 January 1945 and letter of Ministry of War No. 1/154/San. dated 13 January 1945.

2. Permission is granted to the Italian Army Physiological Laboratory for the use of the basement of the above mentioned premises as shown on plan submitted to this office.

3. The following conditions as outlined in our letter of January 9th. are to prevail:

(a) that the structural alterations as suggested are carried out by them in such a manner as to effectually "seal off" the basement and prevent Italians wandering into our Infectious Disease Hospital.

(b) that it is clearly understood and accepted that we will accept no responsibility for any case of infectious disease occurring among Italian Personnel in this portion of the Villa Fonseca.

ROY S McMURTRAY
Lt. Col FA.
Real Estate Officer.

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Copy to:
Surgeon, RAAC.
104 Gen Hospital (Br)

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Subject: Hospital Accommodation - Pisa

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Land Forces Sub Comm
A.G. (MGA)
RCAF
C/17/499
4 Feb 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare

1. The building at the Seminario Arcivescovile di S. Caterina, Piazza S. Caterina, Pisa, is now available for the use of the Italian Army Medical Services.

2. Please arrange to establish a 250-bed military hospital on this site. I.R. strength 16 officers 40 Sisters 54 other ranks. Total 110 all ranks.

R. C. Heggie
Major,
R.A.M.C.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MGA)

/mcd

Copy to: A.D.M.S. for Surgeon
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FOR MMLA 10 (.) S.E.F. 1 FEB 45 ITALIAN MILITARY
INTERNEES OF ERITREA CMA MOGHREB CMA GIULA DEL COLLE
AND CAMOSA BECOME CIVIL CONSCRIPTS (.) SEE WARREN
LETTER 1/258/SAE OF 20 JAN TO HQ BASE TERRITORIAL
COMMAND (.) REVIEW CASE DETAILS CASELOADS
AND CONFIRM TO THIS OFFICE

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SUBJECT: Barrack Stores for Convalescent Home Taormina

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ALCOM (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/12/1
27 January 1945

TO: MMIA LO SICILY

1. Reference your No. 1252 1st Ind. dated 23 Jan. 1945.

2. According to our DADMS the Convalescent Home Taormina is not an authorized Italian Army institution. Further the authorized hospitals in Sicily are considered adequate to provide for military personnel including convalescents for the allowable 60 day period.

3. In view of the above, the request for blankets and other barrack stores is disallowed.

GEO. A. SHIPLEY Lt. Col.
for Colonel, DA & QMG
Land Forces Sub Commission

GAS/wtr

Copy to: DADMS

28/1/45.

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M/17/333

Subject: Hospital Accommodation - Perugia

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (SMIA)
DMS
H/17/289
24 Jan 45

MMIA L.O.
1 District (2 copies)

Reference your LO/010 of 20 Jan 45 to AMG Perugia, copy to SMIA, the status of the Red Cross Hospital Perugia does not appear to be clearly defined.

1. If used for "over 60 day" patients, then as far as SMIA are concerned, it is a civil hospital receiving rations and medical supplies from civil sources.

2. If required as a military institution and in consultation with AMG it is agreed that it is not required for the civil services, please inform this H.Q., when application will be made for its inclusion as an authorised Italian military formation. In the latter event, it will not be used to hospitalise the "over 60 day" patients.

3. Further to para 2, reference to DMS HQ 1 District letter 10/417/M of 17 Jan 45., para 1 (copy to you) which states that the present accommodation of Perugia hospital is 300, but is capable of taking 400 beds. If this is correct it is considered preferable to expand Perugia hospital by 100 beds rather than establish another hospital. Beds and bedding materials are available on application to Ministry of War.

4. Please inform this office what action is considered advisable allowing for local conditions but at the same time keeping a clear definition between civil and military hospitals.

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1. If used for "over 60 day" patients, then as far as MMIA are concerned, it is a civil hospital receiving rations and medical supplies from civil sources.

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Well.

/REG

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA) 5462

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Subject:- Italian Red Cross - PERUGIA.

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Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.,
A.C. (MMIA).
c/o HQ., I District.
Ref. LO/QID.

20 January 45.

To:- AMG. PERUGIA. (for Lt. Col. Simpson).

1. An inspection on the morning of 19 January of the Italian Red Cross revealed the following situation.

2. They are occupying two floors of one of the buildings of the civilian hospital. There were 77 patients of these, 47 were military and comprised the over 60 day cases which can no longer be treated in the military hospitals. The remaining 30 were civilian cases which had some military background in the sense that their wounds were caused by military material or equipment.

3. The present capacity is 102 beds. The medical staff consists of Red Cross personnel and includes the director, 2 other military doctors and an administrative officer. The hospital is functioning satisfactorily.

4. It is planed to develop this RED Cross hospital, which already works in close co-operation with the Italian Military hospital, as a centre for the over 60 day cases and as an extra wing to the Military hospital when cases are evacuated from FLORENCE and cannot be accommodated in the Military hospital or quickly evacuated to ROME. To this end, extra material has been indented for so as to increase the capacity of the Red Cross to 150. This can cope with the emergencies which may arise now that Italian troops are taking a more prominent part at the front. It is proposed gradually to get rid of the civilian cases.

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5. It is hoped that these plans will have your approval.

H.H. Bourne
Capt.
MMIA. LO., I District.

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Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMIA).

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Subject: Hospital Accommodation - PISA

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
RCHE
M/17/279
23 Jan 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

1. The buildings of the Seminario Arcivescovile di San Caterina, Piazza S. Caterina, Pisa, have been offered as a site for an Italian Military Hospital (400 beds)

This site is expected to be vacant by the end of January 1945.

2. Please arrange to collect the personnel and materials to open this hospital at an early date. W.E. strength will be 21 officers, 13 Sisters and 126 other ranks. Total 160.

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.(MMIA)

/RHG

Copy to: MMIA L.O. 5th Army
MMIA L.O. 5th Army (Br Liaison)

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Subject: Medical Association - Italian Army

Land Forces Sub Comm
A.C. (MMA)
AG/7
23 Jan 45

M/17/275

G.O.C.
P.B.M., APO 782

1. Informal minutes of 20 Jan 45 from the Surgeon's office, P.B.M., to P.O., M.M.A.

2. The offer of the building at the Sanatorio Archiesspitale di S. Caterina, Piazza S. Caterina, Pisa, as a site for an Italian Military Hospital (All Ranks - Category III-IV) is accepted on behalf of the Italian Army Medical Services.

3. Request this site be requisitioned for this purpose.

(K)

GIANFRANCO P. INGA,
Sub Major General,
M.M.A.

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Copy to: MMA L.O. 5th Army
MMA L.O. 5th Army (for Inter)

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HEADQUARTERS PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON
APO 782

January 20, 1945.

SUBJECT: Possible site for Hospital (Italian)

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA) Rome.
ATTENTION: W.C. Heggie, Major, DADMS

1. A possible site for the hospitalization of Italian Military personnel has been found at the Seminario Arcivescovile di S. Caterina, Piazza S. Caterina, Pisa.

2. It is now occupied by the Municipio of Pisa, but will be available for occupancy by the end of this month.

3. With some small changes, we believe that this building can house 400 patients.

4. Recommend that this building be taken over by the Italian Military Authorities for a hospital site.

For the Surgeon:

Harold N. Clements
HAROLD N. CLEMENTS
Major, MAC
Executive Officer

Col. Kerr } ~~Recommend this be approved.~~ Will
A/G } If approved will tell M. of W. to get personnel & materials together as soon as possible after Leghorn is set up.

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Subject: Accomodation - Villa PORSECA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/1

18 Jan 1945

To: Real Estate Section, R.A.A.C.

Ref your GF-58 dated 9 Jan 45.

1. Enclosed is a letter (original) received from Ministry of War, Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare, together with copy translation.

2. As the conditions laid down in your above quoted letter are agreed to, will you please forward formal approval for the use of the premises referred to.

DSLG/le

D.S.L.GRIMSON, Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: Ministry of War (Your 1/154/SAN dated 13 Jan 45 refers)
Med. M.I.A.

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COPY TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War. Ref No. 1/154/SAN

To: MMIA Date: 13 Jan 45

Subject: Physiological Laboratory.

Reference to letter M/17/126 of the 11th January 1945.

We accept the conditions proposed by the Real Estate Section of the R.A.A.C. with letter G/P.58 dated 9th November 1944 - Para. 2 - Section A and B - regarding the constructional work for refitting the Physiological laboratory in the cellar of Villa Fonseca, and the responsibility for cases of infectious disease which may occur among the Italian personnel there on duty.

Sgd. (F. CALDAROLA)

corrected phy petrone to 9 Jan 1945. P 20/1 with my Petre.

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Subject: Accommodation - Villa Fonseca

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
RMK
M/17/127
11 Jan 45

Ministry of War,
Direzione Generale di Sanita Mil.

1. Attached copy of Base Area Allied Command letter ref GP-58 of 9 Jan 45., is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

2. Please notify this office of your consent to para 2 of the above letter, for onward transmission to Real Estate Section, Base Area Allied Command.

Major,
D.A.D.M.S.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/HMG

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
REAL ESTATE SECTION
APO 794, US ARMY

RSM/wc
9 January 1945

GP-58

Subject: Accommodation - Villa Fonseca

Recd 10 Jan

To : Allied Commission
Land Forces Sub-Commission

1. Reference your M/17/58 dated 5 January 1945 and Ministero Della Guerra, Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare, lettera 1/5552/San. dated 18 December 1944.

2. It is agreed that the Italian Army Physiological Laboratory may be granted the use of the basement of the above premises as shown on plan submitted to this office under the following conditions:

a) that the structural alterations as suggested are carried out by them in such a manner as to effectually "seal off" the basement and prevent Italians wandering into our Infectious Disease Hospital.

b) that it is clearly understood and accepted that we will accept no responsibility for any case of infectious disease occurring among Italian personnel in this portion of the Villa Fonseca.

3. Formal approval will be given when written consent to the above conditions are received in this office.

Roy S. McMurtray
ROY S. McMURTRAY
Lt. Col. FA.
Real Estate Officer

M/17/126 5454

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Subject: Convalescents' Camp and Quarantine Camp

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) H O M E
AG/12

16 Jan 45.

HQ 206 Sub Area

Reference your letter 204/10/4 dated 3 Jan 45 addressed to Comando Militare, Sicily, copy to this HQ.

1. The site of 68 (Br) General Hospital was promised to the Italian Army Medical Services by HQ AAI in June 44 at a time when repatriated Ps W were an Italian Army responsibility. It is no longer required by the Italian Army, whose present hospital accommodation of 875 beds is more than ample for the troops on the Island.

2. Probably the Military Command wish to have this hospital for Ps W etc, and have acted on behalf of the Italian Government (civil). It is therefore not an MMIA problem and it is recommended that you straighten the situation out with the local A.C. and Public Health Sub-Commission and other Italian Authorities, according to existing conditions which are no longer known by MMIA.

3. Neither this hospital nor No. 32 site are required or will be authorised as Italian Military installations.

P. P. Parnell

P. P. PARNELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

PPP/wk

Copy to: 3 District (copy of letter under ref is attached)
MMIA LO 3 District (copy of letter under ref is attached)
Public Health Sub Com " " " " " " "
MMIA Med

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C O P Y

S E C R E T

SUBJECT:- Convalescents' Camp and Quarantine Camp

204/10/Q

3 Jan 45

Commando Militare, SICILY.

Thank you for the information on your medical policy.

I appreciate that the hospitals and convalescent camps are absolutely necessary, but I would point out that the Caserma Funzionale, Catania was a British Army requisitioned building, and after several thousand pounds had been expended to put the place in order, including new kitchen, huts etc, it was occupied by (66) British General Hospital.

It was de-requisitioned on the clear understanding that, if required as a hospital, it would be re-requisitioned, but without any reference to this HQ the Italian Army have taken the building over.

My HQ have recently instructed me that the building is required as a British Hospital. I have explained the whole situation to my HQ and recommended that in view of the inconvenience this may cause you, that no further action be taken by the British Authorities.

Reference the requisitioning of five hotels at Taormina for convalescent camps, no mention was made of this matter to this HQ and I would point out that Taormina has always been a British Naval, Army and RAF Rest Camp Area, and together with large numbers of Italian Troops in such small area, I consider the situation will require careful watching.

One of the hotels requisitioned has been earmarked for a British Convalescent Camp for a considerable time, and I would be obliged if this hotel be excluded from your list until instructions are received as to future policy.

The 33 General Hospital at Syracuse may become vacant in the near future. This hospital carries 2000 beds, we have spent large sums of money in bringing this hospital up to date and if it is decided to vacate it, would this be of any use to you.

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/s/ ?????? Col,
Comd,
204 Sub Area.

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Copy to:- MMIA

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Subject: Formation of Mil Hosp - LIVORNO

Land Forces Sub Commission (MMIA)
M/17 (Written at Firenze)

Territorial HQ Firenze
Div Sanita Militaire

13 Jan 45

1. A portion of the civil hospital at LIVORNO is being handed over to the Italian Military Authorities and will function as an Italian Military Hospital under direct command of Italian Military Authorities at Florence.

2. The medical staff, officers and ORs is being provided by Ministero della Guerra and are expected to arrive within seven days. 500 beds complete with bedding materials will be sent from ROME.

3. Florence Military Command will arrange for the provision of medical equipment, expendable medical supplies and disinfectants. Hospital diet items will be drawn on MMIA from 37/8 and endorsed. "M.D." as per procedure already laid down in HQ MMIA letter M/16/2,12 of 1st Dec 44. (copy held by all MMIA L.Os) Equipment or stores not available in Firenze will be immediately demanded from Ministry of War Rome.

4. Italian Military Command Firenze will visit Livorno, contact the civil medical director and inspect the part of the building allocated for military use. (a) One operating theatre will be placed at the disposal of the military. (b) The Xray rooms will be available when required but all expendable stores (e.g. Xray plates) will be provided from military sources. (c) The portion used by the military will be wired off from the remainder of the hospital (d) a separate kitchen will be installed for military use (e) military rations and medical supplies are for the sole use of military patients and military staff (f) one ambulance car from Firenze will be permanently attached to the hospital (g) the greatest care will be taken that there is no disturbance to the normal functioning of the civil part of the hospital.

5. These instructions are published pending receipt of similar orders from Ministry of War. They have also been agreed by Surgeon's office P.B.S., American Red Cross representative, Livorno, Civil Director of Livorno hospital and by DAPMS, MMIA.

6. It is essential that the above plan be put into operation with all possible speed. The hospital will have an III-IVI category and cater for all classes of Italian Military.

7. Evacuation arrangements will be the subject of separate instructions

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W. Wiggoe
Major,
D.U.M.S.

Copies for Surgeon PTS (2) - (one for American Red Cross)
MMIA LO Fifth Army
MMIA LO Fifth Army (Sr Inc)

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for info. Arlington
A/Q to see — Col Kerr has already seen this
RETURN TO MEDICAL A

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Subject: Accommodation - Villa Fonseca

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Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (MMIA)
8243
4/17/58
5 Jan 45

A.D.M.S.
Rome Area Allied Command

Reference attached correspondence received from Ministry of War.

1. Previous application by Ministry of War, Medical Directorate, for the use of the basement in the north wing of the Villa Fonseca was refused by Rome Area Allied Command, on 14 Oct. 44 (G.P. 58 refers), mainly due to the fact that to enter this basement involved passing through the grounds of the Isolation Hospital.

Ministry of War have re-submitted fresh plans to overcome this difficulty (see attached translation and diagram).

2. This basement is unoccupied and is required by the Italian Army Medical Services for use as a laboratory and for special technical investigations of a medical nature (its previous function).

3. It is suggested that in view of these new proposals, you may wish to advise the Real Estate Section to reconsider their previous decision.

Major,
D.A.Q.M.G.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA)

/MD

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3. It is suggested that in view of these new proposals, you may wish to advise the Naval Rebate Section to reconsider their previous decision.

Major,
D. [illegible]
Naval Forces Sub Comm. AC. ([illegible])

/EV

Copy to: DA & QMG

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COPY

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale di Sanita Militare

Ref: 1/5552/San

18 Dec 44.

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

Subject: Reactivation of the Physiological Laboratory, ROME

Reference AQ/7/1 dated 17/10/44., it has not been possible to obtain a free entrance to the laboratory for the staff because such entrance is situated in the interior of the isolation wing of the 104 British General Hospital. The Italian Army Physiological Laboratory is situated on the ground floor of the North wing, Villa Fonseca.

It results that with little work it is possible to open an entrance to the laboratory from the south wing of Villa Fonseca. The new entrance is situated on the outside of the isolation wing and coincides with the actual entrance used by the staff of the Italian Medico-Legal College. The old entrance could be closed by building a wall. Thus, all danger of contagion would be excluded.

The attached sketch shows clearly the situation.

The reactivation of the laboratory interests this office for the following reasons:-

1. It is a well equipped laboratory depending directly from this office.
2. It works mostly for the Medico-Legal College, which is located also at Villa Fonseca.
3. We wish to make use of the electro-cardiograph equipment existing in the laboratory.
4. The laboratory is not actually being used and its reactivation would not cause any inconvenience to 104 British General Hospital.

With a view to reactivation of the laboratory it is requested that MMIA Obtain from 104 General Hospital prior consent to the above solution.

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With a view to reactivation of the laboratory it is requested that MMLA obtain from 104 General Hospital prior consent to the above solution.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE
(sgd) F. Caldarola

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Subject: Accommodation - Physiological Laboratory.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
AG/7/1

17 Oct 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your 1/4038/San dated 24 Sep 44.

1. The Villa Fonesca is being used as a hospital for infectious diseases, particularly typhoid, typhus and meningitis.

2. It will be appreciated therefore, that in the interests of public health, permission to enter the basement cannot be allowed.

F.J.NOARES Lt.Col.
For Major General.
M. M. I. A.

JB/nh

Copy to: HQ RAMC (your GP58 dated 14 Oct 44 refers)

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
REAL ESTATE SECTION
APO 794, US Army

GP 58

FADB/RHC/af
14 October 1944

Subject: Physiological Laboratory

To : M.M.I.A., Rome

1. Reference your AQ/7/1 dated 11 Oct 44.

2. The Villa Fonseca is being used as a hospital for infectious diseases, particularly typhoid, typhus and meningitis.

3. After consultation with the ADMS, it is regretted that permission to enter the basement cannot be allowed under any circumstances. You will appreciate that this decision is in the interest of public health.

R. H. CAMRASS
Lt. Col. AGMG
Real Estate Officer

WAH:
16/10/44.

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