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U.S. Material

FX-76580 of 14 pgs
Q.023|LF

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOE/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
				1 2	
	Rifle U.S. Cal. 30 MK I SNIPERs (complete)	40			
	Tank Med MK 4 A3 with 76 MM Gun. Vertical Suspension	13			
	Tank Med MK 4 A1 with 75 MM Gun V — S —	1			
	" MK 4 with 75 MM Gun V — S —	3			
	Truck, Trailer, Tk Tk MK 19	3			
	Ammo for launcher Rocket D 36 inch				
	Rocket HE AT	47,000			
	Rocket WP	25,000			
	.30 Cal for Rifle	15,000,000			
	.30 " for MG	4,000,000			
	How 105 MM MK II, IIA, MK IV - Shell, HE with fuze	210,000			

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U.S. Material

FX-76580 of 14 June '47
Q.023|LF

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DCS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
T. 40				
A3 13				
1 1				
3				
T-Ex 3				
47,000				
25,000				
15,000,000				
4,000,000				
EA, uge 210,000				

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA REL

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE
[illegible]	Smoke WP. with fuze	9,000			
	Shell AT with fuze	3,000			
	HOW 155 mm MK I -				
	Projectile HE	50,000			
	Projectiles WP	6,000			
	Charges propelling	60,000			
	Fuzes + Primers	100,000			
	76 MM Shell, HE, with fuze	69,000			
	Projectile APC with fuze + tracer	10,000 23,000			
	75 mm Shell HE with fuze	13,000			
	Shell WP with fuze	2500			
	105 MM for M.3. How	58			
	76 MM " M4 A3 Tk.	70			
	105 MM " M.4. Tank	23			
	Complete eqpt for M3 How	3			
	Various spare parts for tanks. fitting M.4. A3 tk.				
[illegible]	Small scale of instruments for the checking of fuse	15 ton			

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RELEASE RECORD

CHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MIA RELEASE_____

	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
...ge	9,000				
	3,000				
	50,000				
	6,000				
...s	60,000				
	100,000				
...ge	69,000				
	10,000				
	23,000				
...ge	13,000				
	2500				
...ow	58				
...k.	70				
...nk	23				
...3 How	3				
...for	15 tog				
...3 tk.					
...k					

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DCS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE RE
	Barrels 105 mm for M.3 Mod (44 c/w Breach Rings & 14 less Rings).	58			
	Barrels 76mm for M48 3. Grd 2. Complete guns)	70			
	Barrels 105mm for M.4. 69 less Breech Rings & 5 c/w Rings)	23			
	Field Arty Eqpt to M.3. tow	4			
	Assorted Tank spares (suitable for M.4. Series)	15 tons			
	Selection of Fire Control Instruments (suitable for M 4. Series) BREAKDOWN:				
	Head Assembly M.14.	151			
	Light Sighting Panel (GREEN)	46			
	" " " (RED)	11			
	" Instrument M.30	10			
	" " M.33	10			

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
...ms for M.3 Hvy ...ch Slings & ...ngs)	58				
...ms for M4A3. ...complete rgns)	70				
...ms for M.4. ...mall Rings & ...gs)	23				
...Eggts M.3. tows	4				
...ous spares ...for M.4. Series)	15 Sets				
...Fire Control ...(Suitable for ...)					
...ly M.14.	151				
...ing Pivot (GREEN)	46				
... (RED)	11				
...rument M.30	10				
... M.33	10				

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FX 77073 dated 7 Aug. from Com

RELEASE RECORD

MMLA REQUEST _____ CHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMLA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	105MM. M.3. How with fire control equpt.	180			
	50MM. M3. Ammo.	360,000 rds			
	40MM. A.A. guns.	100			
	40MM A.A. gun ammo	400,000rds			
	Tank transporters M. 19	22			

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FX 77073 dated 7 Aug. from COMGENMED

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/C_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
with ort.	180				
o.	360,000 rds				
	100				
ario	400,000 rds				
M. 19	22				

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B.T.A. - BR ORD M.T.

RELEASE RECORD

MMLA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMLA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO.	ITEM	Qty Released	D.G.S. FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	UNIVERSAL CARRIERS				
	MK 1	4	BTA 21 RUP/29		
	MK 1	11			
	MK 2	1			
	CARRIERS UNIVERSAL				
	MK II WASP	7	BTA/21 RUP/62		
	" "	2			
	" "	1			
	CARRIERS UNIVERSAL				
	MK II WASP	3	BTA/21 RUP/63		
	" "	1			

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RELEASE RECORD

C/Q_____ DOS/_____ EMLA RELEASE_____

ty sed	D.G.S. FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
1	BTR 21 RUP/29			
2	BTA/21 RUP/62			
3	BTA/21 RUP/63			

'A' VEHS

0-0 2 4

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RELEASE RECORD

DOS/ ARMA RELEASE

DGSS FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
BTA 21 RUP/29			
BTA/21 RUP/62			
BTA/21 RUP/63			

'A' VERS

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST 3692 7 May GHQ/QG 005 30 May DOS/ MMIA RELEASE

SERIAL NO	ITEM	qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Tank Transporters	14			
	Sherman's	32			
	Kangaroos	12			
	Armd Cars	33	10279/9/SD file 80-Q 022/LF		
	Scout Cars	12			
	Recce Cars	36			

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RELEASE RECORD

6 DOS 30 May DOS/ MMIA RELEASE

	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE RECS	NOTES

10879/9/DD
Folder 80-0.022/LF

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B.T.A - 10879/2/ORD of 2 June '47
folio (80) ORD/33

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS From	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Carrier Universal		BTA/21RVP/		
	CE I MK I	40	27		
	CD I MK II	4	28		
	CE II MK I	58	30		
	CE II MK II	3			
	CE III MK I	11			

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B.T.A - 10879/2/ORD of 2 June '47
Folio (30) ORD/33

RELEASE RECORD

HQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

Qty Leased	DGSS Firm	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
40	BTA/21RVP/ 27			
4	28			BRM/ORD MT/16
58	30			
3				
11				

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RELEASE RECORD

LEIA Regional Office: GHQ OFFER (Jan-Dec 1944) Date: EDS: LEIA Release

Serial No	ITEM	Date Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE 1	2
1 ✓	CAR Lt Armd MS (GREYHOUND) Cl I		14 ✓	16				191	
1a ✓	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " II		8	8				181	
2 ✓	CAR SCOUT FORD Mk II Cl I		8	8				182	
2a ✓	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " II		1						
2b ✓	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " III		1	2				190	
3 ✓	CAR SCOUT FORD Mk III Cl III		2	2				170	
4 ✓	CARRIERS TRACKED STARTING & CHARGING		2	1				191	

This clear to Brussels (6) at Trial (8)

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RELEASE RECORD No

E/ EOS NIA Release

Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
I	14	14				141					
II	8	6				139					
I	8	8				140					
II	1										
III	1	2				140					
III	2	2				140					
	2	2				141					

BAIRD - 11/9

This clears transaction at Bread

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RELEASE RECORD

MoIA Request _____ GHQ/ _____ DOS _____ MoIA Re

CHQ OFFER.

Serial No	ITEM		Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OF
1	CARRIERS UNIVERSAL Mk I	Cl I	30	28	1				196	19
2	CARRIERS TRACK TOWING No 2	II	130	30					196	
3	TRUCK 15 cwt ½TRACK PERSONNEL WITH WINCH	II	25	25					190	
4	" " " " " " " " " " " "	II	15	15					190	
4a	" " " " " " " " " " " "	III	35	35					190	
5	CAR SCOUT HUMBER Mk I	II	1	1					196	
6	" " " " " " " " " " II	II	2	2					196	
7	CAR SCOUT FORD "	II	5	5					190	
7a	" " " " " " " " " " II	II	9	9					190	
8	CAR Lt Armd FORD M8 GREYHOUND	I	16	16					191	
8a	" " " " " " " " " " " "	III	21	21					191	
9	STUART RECCE	III	34	3	6	21	2	1	34	

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RELEASE RECORD

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GIG/ DNS CIA Release

		Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE FEES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
x I	Cl I	30	28	1				196	196				
& No 2	II	130						196					
	II	25	25					190					
"	"" II	15	15					190					
"	"" III	35	35					190					H°9.
I	II	1	1					190					
II	II	2	2					196					Backlift H°8
II	I	5	5					190					
II	II	9	9					190					
IND	I	16	16					191					
"	III	21	21					191					
	III	34	3	6	22	2	1	196	196	196	196	196	

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RELEASE RECORD

IEIA Request SD/100/4 of 27 Oct 46 GHQ SD/2164/4 of 11 Dec 46 DOS 5984 of 13 Dec 46 IEIA Release 137

SD/137/9.

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	OFFICE USES 1	2	3
1	CAR, ½ TON 6x4 GREYHOUND, CLASS I	20	6	See (17)					164		
2	do do " II	8		See (17)							
3	do MED STRETCH " III, CL I	33	8						138	178	
4	do " " " " CL II	30	1								
5	" " " " " CL III	50	48	1					138	138	
6	do do do " II CL I	10							178		
7	" " " " " CL II	1							178		
8	" " " " " CL III	5	1	1	2				138	138	138
9	do do " TIRE 2 AA CL I	2	2						178		
10	" " " " " CL II	1							178		
11	" " " " " CL III	1	1	—	—	—	1		138		
12	CARS, SCOUT, FORD, MK II CL I	8	See (17)								
13	do CL III	1									
14	do CL III	1	1	—	—	—	1		138		
15	do MK III CL II	2									
16											
17	for Tank see Page 2.										
18											

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9216/Hq of 11Dec46 DDS/5984 of 13Dec46 CIA Release 137 of 4Jan47

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Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	OFFICE REFS 137A 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
20	6	See (17)				164					Method of Collection
8		See (17)									9137/18 of 29Nov46
33	8	30 mm				141 738 X	178				Availability 9137/22
30	1 mm	11 mm	1 mm	1 mm		138 X	178	177	178		of 02 Dec 46 also 9137/28
30	48	1	1 mm			141X 143X 738	143X 738	177			Prospective figures for
10	11 mm					138					release 9137/35 of 11Dec46
1	1 mm					178					EX. 12 VEH PARK (FORK)
5	1	1	2	1 mm	—	141X 143X 147X 738 738					FIGURES IN REL. GIVE
2	2					178					12 VEH PARK
1	1 mm					178					ISSUE VOUCHER NUMBERS
1 ✓	1	—	—	—	1	141X 738					~~Vouchers 147 148, 149~~
8	See (17)										~~entire series~~
1											~~Bill of Sale 1042~~
1	1	—	—	—	1	738					No shipping tickets
2											to be submitted
											It is exempt
											for Vehicles indicated
											9137 of 23 Jan47
											17 Highland
											10 Fort Com.

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA Request _____ GRP _____ DOS _____ NARA Release _____

Serial No	TITLE	Not Released	EXCISIONS 1	2	3	4	5	Total	RELEASED 1	2	3
16	TANKS, SHERMAN, I Cl. I	5	1	1	3				174	169	171
17	" IB Cl. I	~~19~~	19(3)	-	-	-	19(2)		138X		
18	" IC Cl. I	3	2	1					176	177	
19	" II Cl. I	4	2	1	1				174	169	171
20	" IIA Cl. I	~~2~~									
21	" III Cl. I	12.	1	11	-	-	12.		145X 146X 138.		
22	" III Cl. II	5	2	3	—	—	5		148X 148X		
23	" III DOZER Cl. I	1	1				1		149X		
24	" 5 Cl. I	96	87	6	1/1				141X 145X 146X 138. 138.		
25	" 5 Cl. II	3	1	1					150X 151X		
26	" 5C Cl. I	25	3	15	3	4	26		146X 147X 150X		
27	105mm H/TK. Mk I, MkI, Cl. I	11	10	1					174 176		
28	do Cl II	24	1	4	8	5/6			150X 152. 174		
29	do Cl III	43	40	2	1	—	43		141X 143 147 138 138X		
30	3" S.P. M7c.10 MkI Cl I	1	1	-	-	-	1		149X		
31	do Cl. II	24	17	4	2	4/7			150X 152 174		

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DOS ... CIA Release ...

OFFICE REPS 137A.

ORDER NO.				TOTAL	FOLIO				NOTES
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
1 mss	1 mss	3 mss			172	169	171		
19 (3)	"	"		19 (2)	14-X 73B				(2) Encoded 5 folio 64 but 500 erased never the less. Signal 93 of 23 Jan Orders retain 12 Vol 64
2 mss	1 mss				176	177			
2 mss	1 mss	1 mss			174	169	171		
					145X	146X			
1	11	-	-	12.	73B.				
					148X	148X			
2	3	—	—	5	149X				
1				1					
					141X	145X	147X		
57	6	1/1			73B	73B.			
					150X	151X			
1	1				146X	147X	150X	151X	
3	15	3	4	26					
					174	176			
10	1				150X	152.	174	169/171	
1	4	5 mss	3/6		141X	143	147X		
40	2	1	—	43	73B	73B			
					149X				
1	-	-	-	1		152	174	169/171	
#7	4 mss	2 mss	4 mss		73B				

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RELEASE RECORD

IRIA Request Q/137 of 10 Dec 46 Folio 27 — GEN'L SU 0519 of 13 Dec 46 DOS 08/155 of 17 Jan — IRIA Q/137 Folio36

Serial No	ITEM	Not Released	COLLATORS 1	2	3	4	5	FINAL 1	1
1	CARRIERS S & C	2							

See (17)

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RELEASE RECORD No

46 GHQ SD 0519 of 13 Dec 46 DOS 03/155 of 17 Jan CIA Released/137 of 21 Jan
Q/137 Folio36

	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE FEES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
	2	See (17) Relic (H										EX 12 V Pk FORLI 5 released by SD 2 released by ORD up to date 17 Jan see Q/137 4 Jan BR-ORD-MT/9

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RELEASE RECORD

MEIA Request 01537/32 dated 30 Dec 66 GRU/ 9153/1 Dec - 12 Dec 66 DOS/ 8786 of 30 Dec 66 MEIA Rel

Serial No	ITEM			Not Released	COLLECTION 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	2	OFF
	CARRIERS-			1081								
1	UNIVERSAL MK E		CR- I	172						153	on	
2	" "		" II	390								
3	" MKII/4		" I	5						154		
4	" MKII/4		" II	1								
5	" No-2. MK II		" I	91						155		
6	" " 2 " II		" II	14								
7	M/MC " 1 " I		" I	35						156		
8	" " 1 " I		" II	2								
9	" " 3 " I		" I	1						157	Ac	
10	5" MOUNT. No 1 - I		" I	1						158		
11	" " " 4 " I		" II	24						159	J	
12	" " " 1 " II		" II	20								
13	" " VC 2		" I	62						160		
14	1 TOWING No 1		" I	65						161	Jed	
15	" " " 1		" II	5								
16	" " No 2		" I	83						162		
17	" " " 2		" II	93								
18	TRACKED 59 C		" I	10						163		
19	" " "		" II	7								

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RELEASE OF RECORD

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9153/1 Sec - J 12 Dec 46 DOS/8786 of 30 Dec 46 CIA Release 8157 of 6 Jan

Released	COLLECTION 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
1081											Take over in Sitia at Forte
172						153	on 25/1/47				
390											
5						154					
1											Summary:
91						155					
14											Municipal — 275
35						156	[redacted]				HMC — 38
2							See 137/1/58/T				3" Mobile — 107
1						157	See				T. Towing — 214
1						158	J 28 Dec 46				Hucked S/L — 17
24						159					1081
20							Delated				
62						160	Jan 47				
65						161	ibid				BR-ORD-HT/5
5											
83						162					
93											
10						163					
7											
1081											

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B.T.A. BRIT ORD. GENERAL STORES

RELEASE RECORD

IAMLA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ IAMLA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	D 6 4 5 FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	CONTAINERS 6 GALL LID SETS	461	54128		
	CONTAINERS 6 GALL LIDS	111	54128		
	CONTAINERS 6 GALL LIDS ANTI. SPLASH.	35.	54128		
	CURTAINS SANDFLY G.S.	16,985.	54130		
	CURTAINS SANDFLY. MK II	20,000	54130		
	NETS. BUSH.	3,830	54131.		
	EYES PICK. HEADS	5,000	54118		
	SPADES. MK III	2000	54117.		

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DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

COLLECTIONS	OFFICE FEES	NOTES

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WAR DEPARTMENT - MILITARY GENERAL STORES

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DCS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	WD SS FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	CAMOUFLAGE EQUIP		54134		
	PANNIERS AIRBOURNE	42.	54 149.		
	CARRIERS WATER				
	BOTTLE W.E PATT. 37	30,000	54 155		
	OIL "A"	15,000	54 058		
	METHYLATED SPIRITS	3,500	54170		
	OIL "A"	400	54170		
	OIL MIN H.B.	2,000	54090		
	OIL M. 80	2,000	54096		
	OIL M. 100	3,000	54098.		
	OILMIN LUBRICATING				
	ORDINARY AMERICAN.	437	54109		
	WAX PARAFFIN	2,000	54 110		
	CONTAINERS COOKING				
	6 GALL BODIES MK IV	54	54 124		
	CONTAINERS COOKING				
	6 GALLS. BODIES MK V	435	54 124		
	CONTAINERS COOKING				
	6 GALLS COMPLETE MK IV	54	54124		
	CONTAINERS PORT MK IV 1 GALL	1,510	54124.		

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BTA - BRIT ORD GENERAL STORES

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

Qty released	Ty Svs Form No	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
	54134.			
42.	54149.			
000	54155			
000	54088			
500	54170			
400	54170			
000	54090			
000	54096			
000	54098.			
37	54109			
00	54110			
54	54124			
35	54124			
54	54124			
10	54124.			

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B.T.A. - BRIT. ORD GENERAL STORES

RELEASE RECORD

LEILA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ LEILA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	D.G.S. FORM NO	COLLECTION	OFFICE REFS
	TABLES. BEDSIDE	336	54154		
	SHOVELS. G.S.	10,000	54169.		
	TABLES BEDSIDE	687.	54112.		
	KETTLES CAMP OVAL	2,000	54100		
	BOXES STATIONERY.	311	54111		
	DUBBIN PROTECTIVE	40,000	54102		
	KETTLES CAMP (OVAL LIPS)	2,500	54103		
	COOKER PORT (NO 2. STOVES)	2,000	54104		
	COOKER PORT MK III (NO 3 STOVES).	1,000	54105		
	BEDBOARDS. SINGLE	414	54121		
	BEDBOARD. TRESTLE (SINGLE)	494	54122		
	CAMOUFLAGE. EQUIP		54132		
	OIL C 10	1,000	54101		
	AXES PICK. HELVES	10,000	54150		
	AXES PICK HEADS 4. ½ LBS.	26,500	54150		
	AXES PICK. HEAD 6.½ LBS	3,000	54150		

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B.T.H. - BRIT. ORD GENERAL STORES

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released	DG. 55 FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
336	54154			
000	54169			
687.	54112.			
000	54100			
311	54111			
,000	54102			
,500	54103			
000	54104			
000	54105			
414	54121			
494	54122			
	54132			
00	54101			
00	54150			
00	54150			
00	54150			

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BR. ENG. STORES

RELEASE RECORD

NARA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G _____ DOS/ _____ NARA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DG 35 FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE FEES
	CYLINDERS GASES CARBON DIOXIDE	56	54090		
	CYLINDERS GASES NITROGEN FULL	122	54081.		
	CYLINDERS GASES. NITROGEN (EMPTY)	217	54082		
	CYLINDERS GASES HYDROGEN. FULL	6	54083.		
	CYLINDERS GASES HYDROGEN. EMPTY.	1,095.	54084		
	LEVERAGE AND LIFTING EQUIP		54097		
	CONVEYERS. GRAVITY RUNWAY 14x2.1/4 6" PITCH. EC/6243	132	54124		
	CONVEYERS GRAVITY RUNWAY. 14x2.1/4 4' PITCH EC/5271	337	54124		

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BR ENG. STORES

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty Released	DG & S FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
56	54080			
122	54081			
217	54082			
6	54083			
1,095	54084			
	54097			
132	54124			
337	54124			

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B. T. A. — MEDICAL.

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGS Form	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	SULPHUR POWDER	22400 LBS	5H123		
	STRETCHERS FHB. MK. II	339	5H116		

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RELEASE RECORD

DOS/ AMIA RELEASE

DGS FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
DGS 54123			
54116			

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RTA. ORD PACK TRANSPORT

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DOS Form No	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	PACK SADDLERY.		5451		

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ORD PACK TRANSPORT

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MIA RELEASE_____

Qty Released	Date Shipped	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
	5 4 5 1			

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DOS/36/8/B of 19 June 4

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G 05/27 4 42/6 DOS/36/8/B of 19 June 47 MIA RELEASE Q. 138/LF 8

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	Technical stores				
	Theodolites	15			
	Calibration Camera	3			
	Comparator	1			
	Telescopic Stereoscopic	3			
	Periscopes	3-4			
	Stereoscopes (photo interpretation)	3-4			
	Angle of sight instruments (various)				
	Measuring Tapes				
	Survey Beacons				
	Instruments Drawing (sets)				
	Radio Sight				
	Compasses Beam				
	Pantos Single OP				
	Protractors various				
	Range Finders	3-4			
	Rods Stadia				

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UD INE DOS/36/8/B of 19 June 47 Sheet 1

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q 05/274/216 DOS/36/8/B of 19 June 47 IMIA RELEASE Q.138/LF of 15 June 47

Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
15				
3				
1				
3				
3-4				
3-4				
3-4				

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Telescope: Signalling				
	Director:				
	Dial Sight				
	Sight Clinometer:				
	Slide Rules				
	Scale: Artillery				
	Stands Instrument: various:				
	Sound Ranging				
	Microphone:	2			
	Fire group				
	Extinguishers: Acid	8	DAS/UR/18		
	" Foam	8			

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Sheet 2

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMLA RELEASE_____

Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE KEYS	NOTES
8	DOS/JR/18			

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G _____ DOS/VR/4 and 6 MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Buccaneer fame	10			
	Shooters G.S.	28			
	Entrenchers	26			

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MESTRE

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q _____ DOS/VR/4 and 6 IMLA RELEASE _____

Qty released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
10				WM 25/6
28				BRT/ORD N° 8.
26				

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500 AOD HQ/20044/C 4 June 47

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ CHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS Forms.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Forms G.S.	4,000	54138		
	Tents I.P. Latrines	2,900	54039	- HQ/20047/C	
	Screens Latrine (Large)	273	54040		

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500 AOD HQ/20044/C 4 Jun 47

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RELEASE RECORD

HQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released	DGSS Forms.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
500	54138			
500✓	54039	- HQ/20047/C		W/M 25/6
473✓	54040			BR/ORD No. 9.

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RELEASE RECORD

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MEA Reples SD/109/1/LF of 17 Feb
Q/138/LF Folio 9

GEA/ DOS MEA Release

Serial No	I T E M	No released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3
1	Set-squares ajustable R.A.	6								

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RELEASE RECORD

NO

GIA/ 4 BJS JA Release

		COLLECTIONS					TOTAL OFFICE REPS					NOTES
	Released	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
A.	6											

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA Request SD/109/1/A/LE of 25/3/47 filed SD/2146/4 of 27 Feb 47 DOS

NARA Release Q/138

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REFS 1	2	3
1	Screw Pickets Long	60,000								
2	" " " " " Short	28,000								
3	Angle Iron Pickets Long	120,000								
4	" " " " " Short	56,000								
5	Barbed Wire	250 tons								
6	Dannert Wire	26,000 coils								
7	Sandbags	3¾ millions								

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RELEASE REQUESTED To _____

5/3/47 FBI/ SD/2146/4 of 27 Feb 47 DNI/ CIA Release RQ/138 of 14 April 47.

	Pages Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
	60,000											Roma 624 Field Park Bag, Villa Vicentina. and 1st Eng Stores Base Depot. MESTRE.
	28,000											
s	120,000											
rt	56,000											
	250 tons											
	26,000 [illegible]											
	3¾ millions											

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA Request NE/ec/3.2F of 8/3/87 - GSA/ _____ DOS _____ USIA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	QTY Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4
1	PROPULSION UNITS (complete - with brackets) and flex hose.	4									

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RELEASE RECORD

RG _____

GRS/A _____ DJS _____ CIA Release _____

	No. Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REFS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
- se.	4											

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RELEASE RECORD

RMIA Request GINT-241 of 22 Jan 47-GHQ/ DOS RMIA Re

Serial No	ITEM	No Released	COLLATIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OF
1	BOARDS DRAWING IMPERIAL	4							
2	CASES MAP CYLINDRICAL	1							
3	COMPASSES PROPORTIONAL 6"	2							
4	" " 12"	1							
5	CURVES DRAWING SETS								
6	GLASSES MAGNIFYING HAND 4"	4							
7	" " " 3"	1							
8	" " " 2½"	1							
9	INSTREMENT DRAWING SETS	4							
10	REC. IVORINE 6"	4							
11	R.A. FAN No 1. Mk I	1							
12	CIRCLE	1							
13	SCALES WOODEN BOX 12"	4							
14	" GUNNERS R.A. 40" (steel)	1							
15	" SQAURE METAL	-							
16	RULES 12"	2							
17	" ROLLER 18"	1							
18	" STRAIGHT 18"	1							
19	SET SQUARES CELLOLOID 6" 45deg	1							
20	" " " 8" 45deg	-							
21	" " " 10" 45deg	1							
22	" " " 12" 60deg	-							
23	" " " 10" 60deg	2							
24	PARALLELS 6"	4							
25	" 12"	1							
26	" ROLLERS	1							
27	STRAIGHT EDGES STEEL 36" MkII	2							
28	" " " 48"	1							
29	SQUARES T WOODEN 45" MOHOGANY	1							
30	" " " 36" "	1							
31	" " " 18" STEEL	-							

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RELEASE RECORD

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2 Jan 47. GHQ/

DOS

AGIA Release

	No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE ITEMS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
RIAL	4											
ICAL	1											
NAL 6"	2											
12"	1											
HAND 4"	4											
" 3"	1											
" 2½"	1											
SETS	4											
	4											
	1											
	1											
2"	4											
40" (steel)	1											
	-											
	2											
	1											
	1											
ID 6" 45deg	1											
8" 45deg	-											
10" 45deg	1											
12" 60deg	-											
10" 60deg	2											
	4											
	1											
	1											
L 36" MkII	2											
48"	1											
" MOHOGANY	1											
" "	1											
" STEEL	-											

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA Release GNET-295 of 22 Jan 97 CIA ____ DOS ____ NARA Release ____

Serial No	ITEM	No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	NATIONAL OFFICE 1	2	3
CONT'										
32	BOOKS TABLES PHOTOGRAMMETRIC	6								
33	" INTERPRETATION of AIR PHOTO'S	3								
34	TRIMMERS PHOTO	2								
35	CLOCKS DARK ROOM	1								
36	SCALES MICROMETER (VARIOUS)									
37	PHOTOGRAPHS ASSORTED for TRAINING									

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RELEASED RECORD

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CH 2/1 DOS CIA Release

	Not Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE FILES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
TRIC	6											
AIR												
PHOTO'S	3											
	2											
	1											
US)												

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RELEASE RECORD

MoD/A Request _____ GHQ/ _____ DOS _____ MoD/A Release

Serial No	ITEM	No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE 2
1	RADAR A.A. No 1 Mk II Tx & Rx	6							

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RELEASE RECORD

To _____

D/S _____ DOS _____ IAIA Release _____

Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	FINAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
6											GHQ report availability Q/138 Folio 13 4. th Jacket Q/138 folio 85 3rd Jacket asks M of W if they will Accept Q138/LF folio 1 21 Jan 47 Iti & Br Officers to inspect eqt. & report on serviceability

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HQ 500 AOD
HQ/20015/C of 28 April
Feb 20 ORD/33

GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ CHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	BGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
1	Units Gravity repair type 5-A	6	56123		
2	" " " " " " " " " 1-A	2	"		
3	" " " " " " " " " 4-A	2	"		
4	Machine sidewall	1	"		
5	Spreaders tyre Sectional Pnuematil	2	"		
6	Tank tube testing	1	"		
7	Mixer solution	1	"		
8	Compresser air type T.S.2.11	2	"		
9	Boiler steam oil fired 8HP. Dodman	1	"		
10	Bags sectional repair Air/Steam	4	"		
11	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
12	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
13	" " " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
14	" " " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
15	" " " " " " " " " " "	13	"		
16	" " " " " " " " " " "	3	"		
17	" " " " " " " " " " "	5	"		
18	" " " " " " " " " " "	5	"		
19	" " " " " " " " " " "	3	"		
20	" " " " " " " " " " "	1	"		
21	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
22	" " " " " " " " " " "	7	"		
23	" " " " " " " " " " "	9	"		
24	" " " " " " " " " " "	13	"		
25	" " " " " " " " " " "	3	"		
26	" " " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
27	" " " " " " " " " " "	7	"		

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HQ 500 AOD
HQ/20015/C of 28 Apr 45
Folio (20) ORD/33

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q_____ DCS/_____ LMLA RELEASE_____

Qty Released	ECSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
6	56123			
2	"			
21	"			
1	"			
2	"			
1	"			
1	"			
2	"			
1	"			
4	"			
4	"			
4	"			
6	"			
6	"			
13	"			
3	"			
5	"			
5	"			
3	"			
1	"			
4	"			
7	"			
9	"			
13	"			
3	"			
6	"			
7	"			

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASE RECORD

IAMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DGS/_____ IAMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
28	Plates load cavity repair	2	56123		
29	" " " " " " " " " "	2	2		
30	" " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
31	Plates Sidewall Unit	2	"		
32	" " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
33	" " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
34	" " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
35	" " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
36	Metal Metrix	2.000	"		
37	Pipes Air/Steam C/W fittings	29	"		
38	Arms clamp tube repair plate	20	"		
39	Plates bead	4	"		
40	" " " " " "	2	"		
41	" " " " " "	7	"		
42	" " " " " "	4	"		
43	" " " " " "	8	"		
44	" " " " " "	10	"		
45	" " " " " "	6	"		
46	" " " " " "	4	"		
47	" " " " " "	8	"		
48	" " " " " "	4	"		
49	" " " " " "	4	"		
50	" " " " " "	4	"		
51	Spreader tyre scissor type	3	"		
52	" " " " " " " screw type	6	"		
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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
2	56123			
2	2			
6	"			
2	"			
2	"			
2	"			
2	"			
2	"			
2.000	"			
29	"			
20	"			
4	"			
2	"			
7	"			
4	"			
8	"			
10	"			
6	"			
4	"			
8	"			
4	"			
4	"			
4	"			
3	"			
6	"			

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
53	Plates bead cavity Units.	4	56123		
54	" " " " " " " " " " "	12	"		
55	" " " " " " " " " " "	11	"		
56	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
57	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
58	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
59	" " " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
60	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
61	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
62	" " " " " " " " " " "	10	"		
63	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
64	" " " " " " " " " " "	10	"		
65	" " " " " " " " " " "	4	"		
66	Thermometers 3" Bio 15° F. to 39° F	5	"		
67	Plate sidewall Mackine	2	"		
68	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
69	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
70	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
71	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
72	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
73	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
74	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
75	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
76	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
77	Plates tead cavity Units.	2	"		
78	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
79	" " " " " " " " " " "	2	"		
80	" " " " " " " " " " "	6	"		
81	Fountains napkins 3 pnt	5	"		

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RELEASE RECORD

CHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ EMIA RELEASE_____

	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE RETS	NOTES
nits.	4	56123			
"	12	"			
"	11	"			
"	4	"			
"	4	"			
"	4	"			
"	6	"			
"	4	"			
"	4	"			
"	10	"			
"	4	"			
"	10	"			
"	4	"			
15°F.		"			
	5	"			
ine	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
Units.	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	2	"			
"	6	"			
pnt	5	"			

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
82	Rollers hand tool tyre repair	6	56123		
83	Tools tyre valve repairing, banding tools schrader, No. 7260 E	2	"		

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RELEASE RECORD

/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMLA RELEASE_____

...ced		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
	56123			Box/Misc: NP 10
	"			

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500 AOD
HQ/20038/C dd 26 April '47
Tokio (19) ORO/33

GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DCS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
1	Cloth Blackout	48.500	54015		
2	Stoves oil heating large.	540.	54071		
3	" " " " " " " " " "	29.	54072		
4	Material Camoufage.yds.	5.000	54073		
5	Sheets ground Mk VIII	25.000	54075		
6	Stratchers Ambulance Mk II Pillow	2.500	54076		
7	Gloves hedging	2.500	54077		

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500 AOD
HQ/20038/C of 26 April '47
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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMLA RELEASE _____

	Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
	48.500	54015			
s	540	54071			BRIT/Misc No 9
rge.					
" "	29	54072			
.yds.	5.000	54073			
III	25.000	54075			
ce					
w	2.500	54076			Brit/Misc No 8
	2.500	54077			

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASED

IEILA Request _____ GHQ's _____ DOS _____ IA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE USE 1	2	3
1	Hessian Dyed Blue 56" yds	6.280						56025		
2	Riffle and Machine gun oil.gls	250						56026		
3	Flags Distinguishing tank green and white	285						56027		
4	Flags Distinguishing tank red and yellow	216						56029		
5	Conveyors Gravity Runway 6" pitch 8" length	2.500						56030		
6	Stretchers Ambulance Mk II	3.000						56031		
7	Tents IP Latrines Walls	858						56039		
8	Screens Latrine Large	2.900						56040		
9	Brushes Scrub hand union Grade III	9.600						56041		

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

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ELEASE BEYOND

CIA Release _____

DOS _____

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	Released	COLLECTORS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
56" yds	6.280						S6025					BR/MISC No 3
e gum oil.gls	250						S6026					
ning tank	285						S6027					
ning tank	216						S6029					
y Runway gth	2.500						S6030					
lance Mk II	3.000						S6031					
es Walls	858						S6039					
e Large	2.900						S6040					
hand union	9.600						S6041					

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Global Surplus Stocks
500 AOD

RELEASE RECORD HQ/20044/c of 21 May
Locn (2b) OTD/33

EMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DGS/ _____ EMIA RELEASE

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
1	Stretchers Ambulance Mk II Pillows	1150	54089		
2	Axes Pick 4-1/2 Helves	400	54135		
3	Housewives	50.000	54139		
4	Caps GS (Gaberdine) sizes	1719	54140		
5	Braces Size 36"	1760 prs	54141		
6	Cloth Cotton Dosootie Khaki	12500 yds	54144		
7	Lifting and Transporting Apparatus		54136		

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Global Analytics States

500 AOD

RELEASE RECORD HQ/20044/c of 21 May

Loc. 26 ORD/33

GHQ/Q _____ DGS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

Qty Released	DGSS No.	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
1150	54089			
400	54135			
0.000	54139			
1719	54140			
1760 prs	54141			
2500 yds	54144			BRT/Misc
	54136			4°11, 13, 14
	~~54135~~			

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GUAM SURPLUS STOCKS

RELEASE RECORD

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NARA Request _____ GILL # _____ DOS _____ NARA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	OFFICE REPS 1	2	3
1	Conveyors Gravity Runway 4" Pitch Curves 90'	35	54056								
2	Conveyors Gravity Rollers Morris 18" x 2.1/4" 10" length	29	54057								
3	Containers 6 Gall Mk V complete	882	54058								
4	Containers 6 Gall Bodies	222	54059								
5	Containers 6 Gall Lid Sets	799	54060								
6	Containers 6 Gall Mk IV Bodies	722	54061								
7	Containers 6 Gall Lid Sets	57	54062								
8	Standard Racks No 2 complete	70	54063								
9	Cylinders Gas Oxygen empty assorted sizes	600	54064								
10	Shovels G.S.	10.000	54065								
11	Forms G.S.	6.000	54066								
12	Insulaters ContainersCooking 6 Gall Grade III	1.787	5467								

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES

RELEASE RECORD

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GSA/ [illegible] DOS [illegible] CIA Release [illegible]

	CIA Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REFS 1	1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
y	35	54056											
rs length	29	54057											
complete	882	54058											
s	222	54059											
ets	799	54060											
Bodies	722	54061											
ets	57	54062											
plete	70	54063											
pty s	600	54064											
	10.000	54065											
	6.000	54066											
olcing II	1.787	5467											

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PLEASE RECORD

NARA Release _____ GIA/ _____ DOS _____ IA Release _____ To _____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3
13	Containers Cooking 6 Gall Grade III	1.787 ✓	54068							
14	Stoves Oil Heating	1.018 ✓	54069							
15	Tables G.S.	743 ✓	54070							
16	B.D. Trousers GD III Small pairs	32437 ✓	54021							
17	B.D. Blouses GD III Small	36825 ✓	54020							
18	Boots Ankle Gd I Various sizes	139.310 ✓	54019							

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RELEASE RECORD

DOS _____ CIA Release _____ No _____

DOS Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE COPIES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
1.787	54068										Brit/Misc No 1
1..018	54069										
743	54070										
32437	54021										
36825	54020										
139.310	54019										

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GLOBAL · SURPLUS · STORES.

BETA'S RECORD

BETA Request _____ GIL/ _____ DOS _____ BETA Release _____

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLECTORS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE NOS 1	2	3
1	Condenser X 695 A	16						56005		
2	Condenser X 5 E	10	56005					56006		
3	Condenser Y 4 C	12						56001		
4	Resistance Variable 1.35 OHMS	1	56004					56005		
5	Condenser Z 5 A	8						56001		
6	Condensers Variable 2-GC x 15 A	4	56007					56025		
7	Condensers Variable x 36 A	2						56045		
8	Handle +Dial Assy No 14	4						56047		
9	Handles No 6	16						56050		
10	Holders Valve 4 pin No 2	8	56008					56051		
11	Insulaters WT stand-off.No 22	8						56052		
12	Nuts ¼" No 3	16						56054		
13	Resistances 200+200 OHMS	3						56055		
14	" 16.400 OHMS No 1	1						56056		
15	Condensers X 15 D	8	56017					56058		
16	Plugs 6 point No 5	8						56059		

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GLOBAL - SURPLUS - STORES.

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RELEASE RECORD

No _____

DOS _____ DIA Release _____

Ltr Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
16						5600					BK/Fisc No 4
10	5600					5601					
12						5602					
1	5603					5605					
8						5607					
4	5607					5625					
2						5635					
4						5650					
16						5650					
8	5650					5651					
8						5652					
16						5654					
3						5655					
11						5656					
8	5607					5658					
8						5659					

SIGNAL STORES

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RELEASE RECORD

IEITA Request _____ GHQ _____ DOS _____ IEITA Release _____

Serial No	I T E M	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE REC 2	3
17	Training Sets WT	4	56125					56060		
18	Receivers Watch C.L.R.	1s401						56061		
19	Holders Valve 7 pin No 1	13	56035					56062		
20	Socket Assd Line	54						56063		
21	Socket Assd Microphone	8	56049					56065		
22	Socket Assd Phone	4						56066		
23	Aerial Coil Change	6						56067		
24	M.O. Coil Change	5						56065		
25	Supply unit No 1. Mk 1.	94						56069		
26	Control Unit No 1. Mk 1	3	56050					56072		
27	Control Unit No 2. Mk 1	27						56074		
28	Wavemeters Class C No 1	1						56076		
29	Aerial Handle rods	28	56051					56079		
30	Aerial Handle rods Bushes Ebinite	160						56122		

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RELEASE RECORD

GIA/1 _____ DOS _____ CIA Release _____

		COLLECTIONS					TOTAL OFFICE REPS					NOTES
	No Released	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
	4	56025					56060					
R.	1e401						56061					
No 1	13	56035					56062					
	54						56063					
me	8	56049					56065					
	4						56066					FLRT/Misc
	6						56067					No 4
	5						56068					
k 1.	94						56069					
Mk 1	3	56050					56072					
Mk 1	27						56074					
No 1	1						56076					
	28	56051					56079					
Bushes												
ite	160						56122					

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ITEM RECORD

ITEA Request: _____ Class: _____ DOS _____ ITEA Release

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLATIONS 1	2	3	4	5	FINAL OFFICE 1	2
31	Case Covers Valve Inspect	31	5605						
32	Case Cover Valve Inps. Washer	80							
33	Charts Correction	3	5652						
34	Connectors	34							
35	Tuning Units handles tuning	8							
36	Tuning Units Springs Check large	10	5634						
37	Tuning Units " " small	9							
38	" " " (Condenser (Drive	8							
39	Tuning Unit Spring Slow Motion Drive	8							
40	Tuning Unit Switches Dial Light A	6	5655						
41	Tuning Unit Switches Dial Light B	6							
42	Brush arm No 1	6							
43	" " " 2	6							
44	Contact Assd	6	5655						
45	Contact rod Assd	6							
46	Switches Send Receive	8							
47	Inductances 1st Detector tuning	2	5658						

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RELEASE RECORD

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GIB/'s DJS IA Release

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...ll	Released	COLLE...TORS 1	2	3	4	5	LOCAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	REMARKS
...ve Inspect	31	5605										
... Inps. Washer	80											
...n	3	5605										
	34											
...dles tuning	8											
...ings Check large	10	5605										
" small	9											
(Condenser												
(Drive	8											
...ng Slow	8											
...on Drive												
...ches Dial Light A	6	5605										
...ches Dial Light B	6											
	6											
	6	5605										
	6											
...ceive	8											
Detector tuning	2	5605										

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RELEASE RECORD

IEIA Request _____ CIA/ _____ DOS _____ IEIA Release _____ No _____

Serial No	I T E M	No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4
48	Contacts Long	56									
49	Contacts Short No 1	46	51658								
50	Contacts Short No 2	23									
51	Springs	8									
52	Inductances Ist Oscillator tuning	6									
53	Inductances 2nd " "	5	56459								
54	Panal Valve Retaining Screws Special	8									
55	Tuning Units Handles Fine Control	8									
56	Distance pieces No 5	16									
57	Handles No 91	35	76								
58	Lens Plano Convex	18	56060								
59	Plates No 48 Escutcheon	76									
60	Rings lifting No 1	6									
61	Inductances 2nd Oscillatar tuning	2									
62	Inductnce IF Transformer	8	56061								
63	M.O. Tuning Coil Blank	1									

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RELEASE RECORD

No _____

DOS _____ IA Release _____

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Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE RECS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
56											
46	56458										
23											
8											
6											
5	56459										
8											
8											
16											
35	76										
18	56460										
76											
6											
2											
8	56461										
1											

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RAIA Request _____ GHQ/ _____ DOS _____ RAIA Release _____

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4
64	M.O. Tuning Coil Spring	6									
65	Plates Safety Glass No 1	16	5b61								
66	Handles Aerial Trimer	10									
67	Handles Contr, Blue	8									
68	" " Red	8	5b62								
69	" " Looking Bars	8									
70	" " Looking Screws	2									
71	Wireless Remote Control Units B Mk 1	12	5b63								
72	Catches No 1	8									
73	" " 2	10									
74	Covers Front Solts Special	14	5b65								
75	Covers Meter Plate Glass	10									
76	Covers Meter	8									
77	Plug Assd 2 Point	3									
78	" " 4 "	6	5b66								
79	Socket Aerial	6									

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RELEASE RECORD No _____

GIL/ _____ DOS _____ CIA Release _____

	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
	6	Slab 1										
	16											
	10											
	8	Slab 2										
	8											
rs	8											
rews	2											
nits	12	Slab 3										
	8											
	10											
l	14	Slab 5										
	10											
	8											
	3											
	6	Slab 6										
	6											

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RELEASE RECORD

MATA Request _____ CIA/ _____ DOS _____ MATA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	OFFICE REPS 1	2	3
80	Socket Assd 3 Point	6	Sb64								
81	Socket Assd 4 "	6									
82	Handle Switch Blue	8									
83	Holders Lamp	14									
84	Holders Valve ATS 70 and Carrier	10	Sb67								
85	Holders Valve ATS+70 and Carrier Plug Assd No 1	10									
86	Plug Assd No 22	7									
87	Aerial Tuning Coil Dial	3									
88	Aerial Tuning Coil Sliding Contacts	8									
89	Andde Tap Selecter Can Assd	8	Sb68								
90	" " " Contact Assd	8									
91	" " " Guide Tubes	7									
92	Rods Pick-up No 1	1									
93	Screws 8A Brass No 6 Special No 2	60	Sb69								
94	Straps Retaining No 2	34									

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To

DOS CIA Release

Doc. Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE VIEWS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
6	Slobb										
6											
8											
14	Slob7										
10											
10											
7											
3											
8	Slob8										
8											
7											
1											
60	Slob9										
34											

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RELEASE RECORD

AIA Request _____ CIA/ _____ DOS _____ AIA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTORS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE ETS 1	2	3
95	Blocks Terminal 3 Point No 1	12								
96	" " " " " 2	12								
97	" " " " " 3	12	S6072							
98	" " " " " 4	12								
99	Carriers No 1 Leads Earthing	12								
100	Condensers P5 F	10	S6114							
101	Valves WT Type ARS 6	2								
102	" " " Arod 1	120	S6116							
103	" " " AT 20	236								
104	" " " ATS 25A	599								
105	Twin No 88 Mk 1	15	S6119							
106	Wireless Sets No 19 Aerial Feeder Ass No 7	31								
107	Connectors 6 Point No 6 A	10	S6122							

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RELEASE RECORD

To _____

S/S _____ DOS _____ USIA Release _____

Pages Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	LOCAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
12											
12	56072										
12											
12											
10	56114										
2											
120	56116										
236											
599											
15	56119										
31											
10	56122										

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RELEASE RECORD

(Signal)

MMIA Reques: Ga.3949 in Q/139/LF- Folio 25.

GHQ/: 6 1 9/21/ d 27/3/47 DUS/ 26/4 d 3-4-47 MMIA Release

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REFS 1	2	3
1	PLATS	580								

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RELEASE RECORD

No

Bib 4/21; d 27/3/47 -DOS 2614 d 3-4-47 CIA Release

For Enclosed	COLLATORS 1	2	3	4	5	FINAL OFFICE REFS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
680											

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No

[27/3/47] DOS 26.4 d 3-4-47 MIA Release

COLLECTIONS					TOTAL OFFICE FILES					NOTES
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	

ARMS

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA Request _____ Gen/ 8159/Q1 of 13-6-46 DOS/7209/Plans of 13-6-46 NARA Relea

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFIC 1	2
1	Bren L.M.G.	46 ✓	ME-CWO VCO RJ					ME-HO VO-9	
2	Bren L.M.G.	114 ✓	" RJ					9	
3	Pistols Signal	222 ✓	" [illegible]					10	
4	Pists	350 ✓	" [illegible]					10	
5	Rifles E.Y.	40 ✓	" [illegible]					10	
								9	

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RELEASE RECORD

No

8159/21 of 13-6-46 DOS/7209/Plans of 13-6-46 CMIA Release 9/138 of 7-8-46

Not released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
46 ✓	ME EWD WDA "					ME MD VO 9					From 3 Sub-Depot 557 BOD. BR/ORD/Social Affrs. N° 1
414 ✓	" "					9					
222 ✓	" "					10					
350 ✓	" "					10					
40 ✓	" "					10					
						9					

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RELEASE RECORD

MEIA Request _____ GHQ/ # 8159/21 of 7-5-46 DJS/7209 of 12-6-46 ... MIA Release C

Serial No	ITEM	No. Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE 2	3
1	Carbines Thompsons sub-machine .45	231 ✓						MEMO VR. 15		
2	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	20,821						" 15		
								7 Serial numbers		

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TELEGRAM RECORD

To

GIA/ 8159/01 of 7-5-46 DOS/7209 of 12-6-46 MIA Release 9/138 of 7-8-46

Time	No. Released	COLLATION 1	2	3	4	5	FINAL OFFICE USE 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
45	231						MEMO Vol. 15					From 3 Sub-Depot 557 EOD.
"	"20,821						" 15					BR/DFO/ Summaries of Reports 5
							7 Bates numbers					401

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RELEASE RECORD

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MMIA Request: GHQ/ 8159/21 of 7-5-46 DOS: MMIA Release 2/138 of

Serial No	ITEM	No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE NOS 1	2	3	4
1	Bren Wallets spare parts empty	2726 ✓						PE PW VD 8			
2	Bren Holdalls	3183 ✓						" 6			
3	Bren Mag's .303 rds	170971 ✓						" 8			
4	Bren Boxes Mag's .303 MG Mk I	3198 ✓						8			
5	Bren Slings	5000 ✓						8			
6	Bren cans oil MG Mk III	650 ✓						8			
7	Rifles Sling web	38804 ✓						" 12			
8	Bottles oil Mk V	41602 ✓						PE PW VD 11			
9	Piat springs main Mk I	492 ✓						" 11			
10	Thompson SMG Mag's 30 rds	32544 ✓						" 13			
								1 Issue Invoiced No:			

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COLLEGE RECORD

To _____

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8159/21 of 7-5-46 DJS _____ MIA Release 0/138 of 30-9-46

Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
2726 ✓						PE HQ VO 8					From 3 Sub-Depot 557 BOD.
3183 ✓						" 8					
170971 ✓						" 8					
3198 ✓						8					
5000 ✓						8					
650 ✓						8					
38804 ✓						12					
41602 ✓						PE HQ VO 11					
492 ✓						" 11					
32544 ✓						" 13					
						1					

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MIA Request GHQ/ 8159/01 of 3-7-46 DO3/7209/Plans of 3-7-46 MIA Release 2/138

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	COAL 1	OFFICE REPS 2	3
1	Mortars 3"	56	✓					RG-HQ VQ-7		
2	" " " "	348						HE HQ VQ-7		
								1		

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RELEASE RECORD

No

8159/21 of 3-7-46 DOS/7209/Plans of 3-7-46 JMA Release 9/139 of 20-8-46

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Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
56	✓					HE-HO VO-7					From 3 Sub-Depot 557 EOD.
348						HE-HO VO-7					BR/ORD/ Ammunition
						1 Issued Hercules					H° 1

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HQ DTA 2505/16 Q - 15 JULY '47

RELEASE RECORD

MIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DCS/ _____ MIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	GTGS. S.A. 50 IN AP TRACER.	104,410			
	" " 50 IN 2AP/2INC/ITR	103,040			
	" " 50 IN 2AP/2B/ITR	1,805			
	" QF 76 MM. HE	4,134.			
	" " 76 MM APC/HE	6,617			
	" " 76 MM SMOKE	885			
	" " 3 IN GUN HE	460			
	" " 3 IN GUN AP	144.			

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HQ 70-14 2505/16 Q -15 July '47

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RELEASE RECORD

DCS/ AMIA RELEASE

	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE FEES	NOTES

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/26 8 (4) 28 June '47. LIMA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	3" Gun Proj AP W/Tracer	1148		
	37 mm Cannister	2460	DOS/UR/15-16-17-18-19-20	
	" HE M54	160		
	3.7 AA HE Fyd 207	5812		
	" " " " 208	12802		
		400		
	75 mm HE M48 Super Fuzed M54	1578		
	" " M48 A2	1022		
	" " M18	171		
	" " M1897	723		
	3" Gun HE M48	1536		
	" AP M48	2809		
	" " APC "	2972		
	" HE M42	376		
	" AP shot M79	600		
	" APC Fuzed M66 A2	4026		
	" APC M62	2740		
	" M62 Fyd M66 A1	2680		
	" " W/Tracer M62	936		

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/G_____ DOS/26/8 (+) 28 June '47. EMBLA RELEASE_____

Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
1148				
2460		DOS/UK/15-16-17-18-19-20		
160				
5812				
2802				
400				
1578				
1022				
171				
723				
536				
809				
2972				
376				
600				
026				
740				
680				
936				

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/26 8(4) MMIA RELEASE _____

28 July 47.

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	AMMUNITION				
	.50 AP/Inc/Tr 2-2-1	165880			
	.50 AP/Tr/L/Belt 4-1	354305			
	.30 SAA AP Tr 4-1	1,367000			
	.30 SAA AP Tr 9-1	115000			
	.303 SAA Mk VII SB	925500			
	.303 SAA Mk VII Belt	66,000			
	40mm HE Fzd 251	92,928			
	" AP Shot	322			
	17 Pdr HE Rod Fzd 257 capped	4704			
	17 Pdr Cap Shot	550			
	17 Pdr APC W/Tracer	468			
	105 mm HE Fzd M48 A1	4496			
	" " M54	859			
	" HOW Smke Fzd M84	184			
	" " HE AT	847			
	75 mm Gun M48 P/C w/Fuze M48 A1	2508			
	" " HE Super w/Fuze PD M48	1236			
	" " APC w/Fuze M66 A1	46			

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RELEASE RECORD

/Q _____ DOS/ 26 | 8(4) _____ LMLA RELEASE _____

28 July '47.

	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
ed			
0			
55			
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38			
22			
04			
50			
08			
96			
59			
24			
7			
8			
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15			

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GHQ ORD

DOS/26/8 (4 folios) 25, 28, 29 ORD/9 Memos

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G _____ DOS/ _____ AMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	ORD Voucher	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	PIAT MK 3 fuzed 426	18,000	DOS/VR/14		
	Boxes B167 (AMN)	3,000	"		
	Boxes Various "	13,592	DOS/VR/3		
	" " "	48,199	DOS/VR/5,7,8,9.		
	Fuzes 117, 119 with and without exploders	48,590	"		
	Tubes PSA MKI	83,840	"		
	Carts 4.5 3RD Chge	11,418	"		
	" " 1ST "	2,484	"		
	6 Pr APC. BC	2,670	"		
	6 Pr. HE Fzd 244	800	"		
	25 Pr. Shell HE	32,264	"		
	25 Pr. Shell Smk	960	"		
	25 Pr. Carts (Can) Pack	66,464	"		
	25 Pr. Carts (Bnit) Pack	92,408	"		
	25 Pr Shell HE Fzd 119	61,579	"		
	25 Pr. Shell HE Fzd 117	38,020	"		
	25 Pr Smoke Fzd 221	6,072	"		
	Shell 4.5 Gen BP	26,610	"		

Credited to Pretoria

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GHQ ORD

DOS/26/8 (4 folios) 25, 28, 29 ORO/9 Mexico

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ ABLA RELEASE _____

	Qty Released	ORD Voucher	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
	18,000	DOS/VR/14			W/M 25/6
6					
MN)	3,000	"			BR/AMN No 3
"	13,592	DOS/VR/3			BR/AMN No 1
"	48,199	DOS/VR/5,7,8,9.			BR/AMN No. 2.
ed	48,590	"			" "
	83,840	"			" "
	11,418	"			" "
	2,484	"			" "
	2,670	"			" "
	800	"			" "
	32,264	"			
	960	"			" "
	66,464	"			
	92,408	"			" "
9	61,579	"			
7	38,020	"			" "
	6,072	"			
	26,610	"			" "

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GHQ ORD
DOS/26/8(8)

RELEASE RECORD folios 25,28,29 ORD/9

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	ORD Voucher	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
Contd	75 mm Super M48 HE Fzd M48.	3,714 ✓	DOS/VR/5,7,8,9)		
	75 MM Super M.48 HE Fzd M.54	600 ✓	"		
	75 mm Super M48 HE TSO Fzd M.54	1,700 ✓	"		
	75 mm G.A.P.C. Fzd. M66 AI	454 ✓	"		
	105 mm How Fzd. PD M48 AI	432	"		
	17 Pr. A.P.C.	462	"		
	17 Pr. HE. RED Fzd 257	1,180	"		
	Bofors Ammo (Various)	34221	DOS/VR/18		

Carried to folio V

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GHQ ORD
DOS/26/8(7)

RELEASE RECORD folios 25,28,29 ORD/9

CHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released	ORD Voucher	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
3,714 ✓	Dos/VR/5,7,8,9)			
600 ✓	"			W/M 25/6
700 ✓	"			
454 ✓	"			BR/AMN No. 2.
432	"			
462	"			
1,180	"			
34221	DOS/VR/18			

Credited to Folio V

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RELEASE RECORD

No

MMIA Request _____ GIB/ _____ DDS _____ MMIA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4
16	3.7 in A.A. H.E.	18,840									
17	4.5 in MED H.E.SHELL	21, 052									
18	4.5 in CHARGE 1 (MED)	5,090									
19	" " " " " " " 3 "	14,010									
20	4.5 in FUZ (MED)	54,270									
21	4.5 in TUB (MED)	97,640									
22	3 in M 10 SP HE	9,482									
23	3 in M 10 SP AP	8,310									

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RELEASE RECORD

No

RG/

DOS

NARA Release

No Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE FILES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
18,840											
21, 052											
5,090											
14,010											
54,270											
97,640											
9,482											
8,310											

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA Request 0/139/LF of 5-3-47 Folio 9 GHQ/2 ____ DOS ____ MMIA Release ____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE REF 2	3
1	.303 C.T.N.	13,040,000)								
2	.303 I.N.C.	1,166,282)								
3	.303 TRAC	1,574,256)								
4.	SIGNAL RED	21,504)								
5.	SIGNAL ILLUM	41,206)								
6	40 mm A.P	7,123)								
7	40 mm H.E.	86,284)								
8	.50 cal BROWN	325,000)								
9	105 mm (M ?) H.E.	18,656)								
10	105 mm (M 7) H.E. A/Tk	8,274)								
11	" " " " " " "SMOKE	4,139)								
12	PIAT H.E. BOMB	50,070)								
13	PIAT Trg BOMB	3,010)								
14	PIAT PROPELLING CHARGES (TRG)	23,300)								
15	CLIPS LOADING	24,500)								
	.30	500, [illegible]								

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RELEASE RECORD No

Z GHQ DOS CIA Release

	For Release	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
	13,040,000)											
	1,166,282)											
	1,574,256)											
	21,504)											
	41,206)											
	7,123)											
	86,284)											
	325,000)											
	18,656)											
A/Tk	8,274)											
	4,139)											
	50,070)											
	3,040)											
HARGES TRG)	23,300)											
	24,500)											

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RELEASE RECORD

No ____

NARA Request SD/109/1/LF of 18 Feb Folio 7-Q.139/LF. (47. GHQ/ ____ DOS ____ NARA Release ____

Serial No	ITEM	Not Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4
1	TEST FUSES for checking of MECH GRADUATORS	4									
2	PLOTTERS	2									
3	AMMUNITION	1,000									

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To GIA/4 DOS DIA Release

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	For Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE FEES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
c												
3	4											
	2											
	1,000											

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HQ BTA 10879/10/ ORO
folio (29) ORO/33

RELEASE RECORD

NARA REQUEST _____ GHQ/G _____ DOS/ _____ NARA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	105 mm HOWHE				
	Fuzed various	20,524			
	" " Service	1,095	A copy		
	1" " " "			Added to Inventory	
	Coloured Fuzed M54	222			Brit

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HQ BTA 10879/10/ORO
folio (29) ORO/33

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RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/G _____ DOS/ _____ LIMA RELEASE _____

Qty Released	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
20524			
1,085	A GAC/1		
222			Poit/Misc N° 12

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RELEASE RECORD

MMTA REQUEST_____ GHQ/G_____ DOS/_____ KMLA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	Trailers Army No 27 Mis I	83 ~~152~~			
	" " "E"	152	HQ/30017/C 3 June '47	56124	
		1	ORD/33 folio (31)		

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DOS/ MAIL RELEASE

COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
		BRIT/ORD/ARTY STORES H° 3

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RELEASE RECORD

LEIA Request _____ GHQ/ 8159/9Lg/15May46 DOS #2614 of 18Dec. LEIA Release L
F135/76

Serial No	ITEM	No. Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE USE 2	3
1	Arty O.C.F. 17pdr	12.						12.		

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MESSAGE RECORD

No 1

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Ref: 8154/9 Dec 45 DOS 26142 of 18 Dec JIA Release 137 of 28 Jan.
F135/76

Released	SELECTION					TOTAL OFFICE FEES					NOTES
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
12.						12.					from SOS AGO Gen Staff through DOS, WD, G.I.A. From "X" OSS EDU (SR 46) Georgetown BA-ONO ARTY STORES NO 1

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RELEASE RECORD

MEIA Request _____ GHQ/ [illegible] DOS 26 Hq & 3 Rec MEIA Release [illegible]

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5 TOTAL	OFFICE REFS 1	2	3
1	ARTY Q.F 25 PDR	12.						12.		
	Also released Standard only 1 Charger of Italian Army but not on expended rebecs.									
2	Trailer Ammo No 7 Mk 1	12						12		

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RELEASE RECORD

No 2

DA 8159/6 of 15 Nov 46 DOS 2614 of 13 Dec. FBIA Release 6138/1 of 13 Dec.
6 1328/176

Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	OFFICE USES 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
12.							12.					5 BLUS report collection from "X" 05 to 20 U.
												Charged to SA-ORD/ARTY STORES NOT
stock one y Charged to y not on expended rubber												
12							12					

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RELEASE RECORD

No

NHA Request 9/138 = IB/29 Nov 46 GHQ SD/21465/6 of 4 Dec 46 DDS/2614 of 10 Dec. NHA Release 1389

9/158/6 9/158/6.

Serial No	ITEM	Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5 TOTAL	OFFICE REFS 1	2	3
1	PREDICTORS for Radars No 1, Mk 2.	2.								
1	PREDICTORS 3.7 A.A. No 1, MK III	2.						2		

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RELEASE RECORD

No 4

S.D/21426/6 of 4 Rec'd DDS/2614 of 10 Dec. MIA Release 1389 of 30 Dec.
P 158/6 P 158/6.

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Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTALS	OFFICE REFS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
2.												To come from "X" OS. & E D II via 5 B.L.U. for School of Artillery.
2.							2					Charged to BR-ORD/HRTY STORES No 1

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GLOBAL SORTIES STORES.

RELEASE RECORD

WO 3. HR. 2TH. 105 72/2 6RD.

META Request _____ GHQ/1 _____ DOS _____ MEA Galcone _____

Serial No	I T E M	Released	COLLECTORS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE USE 2	3
1	Cy Trailers Arty No 27 Mk I	83						5603		

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SURPLUS STORES

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RELEASE RECORD

NNS. NR. BTH. 105-72/2/ORD.

No

GRP 2 DJS JFK Release

Box Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REPS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
83 C						5643					RECORD/ART STORES-No 2

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RELEASE RECORD

USIA Request _____ GHQ/ 8159/21 of 3-7-46 DOS/7209 of 3-7-46 USIA Release 2/1

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE REPS 2	3
1	40 mm Bofors L.A.A.	24						ME-MO 10-14		
2	" " " " " " " " " "	134						" 14		
3	Barrels 40 mm (SPARE)	158						" 14		
								↑ Issue cancelled Mr's		

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FILE NO

RELEASE RECORD

/01 of 3-7-46 DDS/7209 of 3-7-46 NIA Release 0/138 of 12-7-46

COLLATION					TOTAL OFFICE REPS					NOTES
Cat	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
						MR-MO					From MONTECORVINO Cmp Park 557 BOD.
						VO-14					
						" 14					
						" 14					
						↑					
						Issue circulars 11c.					

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BTA - ORD CLOTHING & NECESSARIES

RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	Stock No	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	CAPES. ANTI-GAS MOUNTAIN WARFARE	9,800	54078		
	BOOTS ANKLE	36,000	54085.		
	SOCKS WOOL	7,075	54086		
	VESTS STRING	1,600	54092		
	CAPS PEAKED. (EAR FLAPS)	5,800	54093		
	GOGGLES SNOW	1,500	54095.		
	TROUSERS. BLUE. R.A.F	2,600	54106		
	CAP COMF.	80,000	54113.		
	DRESSING FIELD.	50,000	54114		
	HOSE TOP DRAB	40,000	54115.		
	B.D. BLOUSES SMALL	6,000	54119.		
	B.D. TROUSERS. UNDYED.	4,500	54120		
	SLIPPERS DUFFLE	40	54127		
	GLOVES OVERALL THREE COMPARTMENT	29,500	54133		

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CTR - ORD CLOTHING & NECESSARIES.

RELEASE RECORD

/8 _____ DOS/ _____ MAILA RELEASE _____

Y sed	Issue Sheet No	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
00	54078			
00	54085.			
75	54086			
00	54092			
00	54093			
00	54095.			
00	54106			
00	54113.			
00	54114			
00	54115.			
00	54119.			
00	54120			
00	54127			
00	54133			

CLOTHING

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BTA. R.R ORD CLOTH + NECESS.

RELEASE RECORD

AMLA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS FORM NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	TROUSERS DRAB	300	54099		
	VESTS STRING.	1050	54099		
	CAPS PEAKED	700	54099		
	SMOCKS DRAB	200	54099		
	SMOCKS TWILL	100	54099		
	SMOCKS. DRAB W/PROOF	505	54091		
	GOGGLES SNOW	1,070	54091		
	SMOCKS WHITE CAM	1495	54091		
	GLOVES SKI	1240	54091		
	COATS. PARTISAN	40	54087		
	TROUSERS. WHITE	280	54087		
	JACKETS SNOW	1450	54087		
	COATS SHEEPSKIN	120	54125		
	COATS SHEEPSKIN	40	54125		
	JERKINS SHEEPSKIN	415	54126		
	TREES BOOTS	315	54126		
	PARALHUTES	35	54126		
	SLIPPERS DUFFLE	1,440	54126		

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GLOTH + NECESS.

LEASE RECORD

DOS/_____ LMLA RELEASE_____

ESS PORT NO	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
4099			
4099			
4099			
4099			
4099			
4091			
4091			
4091			
4091			
4087			
4087			
4087			
4125			
4125			
4126			
4126			
4126			
4126			

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RELEASE RECORD

NARA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ NARA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	DGSS FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	Sheets Grouna	10,000	54001		
	Jersey Wool	3660	54006		
	Socks Wool	3,000	54006		
	Boots Boucheron	399	54147		
	Boots Ankle	407	54148		
	Bottles Water	30,000	54157		
	Straps Shoulder	35,000	54161		
	Packs	30,000	54160		
	Haversacks	30,000	54159		
	Cases Pistol	5,000	54158		
	Carriers Belt '37	25,000	54167		
	Tins Mess Rect.	30,000	54166		
	Boots Ankle	12,500	54165		
	Straps Web	70,000	54154		
	Pouches Utility	10,000	54153		
	Pouches Utility	5000	54152		
	Pouches Basic	55,000	54156		
	Pouches Web	15,000	54163		
	Straps Shoulder	35,000	54162		

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RELEASE RECORD

DOS/ _____ ARMA RELEASE _____

DGS FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE FILES	NOTES
54001			
54006			
54006			
54141			
54148			
54157			
54161			
54160			
54159			
54158			
54167			
54166			
54165			
54154			
54153			
54152			
54156			
54163			
54162			

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B.T.A-BR ORD. CLOTHING & NECESSARIES

RELEASE RECORD

AMLA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ AMLA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released	D.G. S.S. FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	COATS WARM FOLLOWERS	960	54049		
	SHOES MULE IRON		54094		
	HOODS JACKET FLD AMERICAN-MEDIUM	5,000	54146		
	POUCHES BASIC M.T DRIVERS	12,000	54164		
	TROUSERS K.D.	10	54194		
	SHIRTS	10			
	SHIRTS BUSH	10			
	SHORTS K.D.	10			

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B.T.A-BR ORD. CLOTHING + NECESSARIES

RELEASE RECORD

GHQ/G_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released	D.G.S.S. FORM	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
960	54079			
	54094			
5,000	54146			
2,000	54164			
10	54172			
10				
10				
10				

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST _____ GHQ/Q _____ DOS/ _____ MMIA RELEASE _____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS
	B.D. Trousers GD III Small pairs	32,437	54021		
	B.D. Blouses GD III Small	36,825	54020		
	Boots Ankle GD I Various sizes	139,310			

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RELEASE RECORD

CHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS	NOTES
32,437	54021			BR/MISC No 7
36,825	54020			
39,310				

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KD - Part Worn

SECRET

LEJA Request _____ G1J/4 _____ DOS _____

Serial No	ITEM	Qty Released	COLOR SIZE 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1
1	Shirts KD (PART WORN)	16,400						
2	Shorts " " "	27,000						
3	Trousers " " "	28,000						

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RD - Part Worn

RELEASE RECORD

To 62 (2b)

GIA/ DOS IA Release

ITEM	No. Released	COLLECTION					TOTAL OFFICE VIEWS					NOTES
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
RD (PART WORN)	16,400											
" " "	27,000											
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RELEASE RECORD

USAIA Request ORD 533 of 30 Jan 47 CM-/
Ord/7 Folio 2-a

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DDOS 10261/2/ORD of 4 Feb 47 USAIA Release
ORD/7 Folio 2-a

Serial No	I T E M	Qty Released	COLLECTORS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL 1	OFFICE 2
1	SHORTS KD sizes 1 - 18	125,639							
2	TROUSERS sizes 1 - 20	137,460							
3	SHIRTS BUSH 1 - 6	88,275							
4	BELTS KD	70-000							
5	TENTAGE	1,380 tns							

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RELEASE RECORD

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BTA
DIOS 10261/2/ORD of 4 Feb 47 CIA Release
ORD/7 Folio 2-a

7 GH4/3

	For Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE REFS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
	125,839											At 2 Sub-Depot 500 AOD GRAZ Westzelodorf Tele: GRAZ 0591
	137,460											
	88,275											see ORD/7 Folio 3 & 4 for ADMIN Instruction
	70-000											
	1,380 tns											to go to Dei - Commissorate ROME ORD/7 Folio 8

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GLOBAL SURPLUS STORES BTA

RELEASE RECORD HQ 500 MOD HQ/4,0000/c 9 2 Apr

IBTA Request _____ GEN/ _____ DDS Letter 9 ORD/37 IBTA Release _____

Serial No	ITEM	Unit Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICE USE 1	2	3
1	BD Trousers Dyed small Prs	800	54055							
2	" Blouses " " "	1.200	54054							
3	" Trousers Prs	9.800	54053							
4	" Blouses small	6.500	54052							
5	Sheets Ground	900	54051							
6.	Pantaloons DR	100	54050							
7	Coats DR	500	54049							
8	Coats Kapok	250	54048							
9	Blankets (R)	1.100	54047							
10	Covers Palliasse	10.000	54046							
11	Jerkins Leather	1.300	54045							
12	KD Shirts	35.500	54044							
13	KD Shorts	39.000	54043							
14	KD Trousers	39.000	54042							

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SURPLUS STORES BTA

HQ 500 ADD

HQ 4,0000/c of 2 April

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DOS Feb 9 ORD 33 NIA Release

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800	54055										
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800	54053										
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900	54051										
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9.000	54043										
9.000	54042										

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BRIT/ORD No 5

BRIT/ORD. No 5

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BTA 10261/2/ORD of 1 March '47
Folio 4 ORD/33

RELEASE RECORD

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MoLA Request ORD 533 of 30 Jan 47 GHQ/
Ord/7 Folio 2-a

IBUS 10261/2/ORD of 4 Feb 47 MoLA Release
Ord/7 Folio 2-a

Serial No	I T E M	For Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	COAL OFFICE 1	2	3
1	TENTAGE	8 tons	Brook-4					5401b		
2	TENTS 50x20 STORE									
3	TENTS HP EXT									
4	TENTS M.G.S.S.	880 tons	3					5401a		
5	TENTS BIVOUAC									
6	TENTS 180 lbs									
7	TENTS 160 lbs									
8	TENTS LPP	500 tons	2					5401a		
9	TENTS R.D.M.D.									
10	TENTS M.D.S.D.									

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Folio 4 of 4 ORD/33

RECORD

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BTA
DDOS 10261/2/ORD of 4 Feb 47 IA Release
Ord/7 Folio 2-a

Qty Released	SOLID SHOTS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL OFFICIAL RETS 1	2	3	4	5	NOTES
3 tons	[illegible]					54014					BRFORD - No. 4 for mater. see folio 10 this file.
880 tons	[illegible]					54014					BRFORD No 3
500 tons	[illegible]					54013					BRFORD No 2

TENTAGE

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RELEASE RECORD

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MRLA Request _____ GRL/ _____ DOS _____ MRLA Release 9/207/L

Serial No	I T E M	Pgs Released	COLLECTIONS 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	OFFICE REPS 2	3
1	900 x 16 COVERS	1,000						MEMO 1		
2	1050/1100 x 20 TUBES	3,000						1		
3	~~900 x 16 COVERS~~	~~1,000~~								
4	~~1050 x 20 TUBES~~	~~3,000~~								
5	925/1000 COVERS	1,000 (1)								
6	925/1000 TUBES	579 (2)								

(1) (2) See folio (3)
re 207/L

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DOS CIA Release 9/207/LF

COLLECTIONS					TOTAL OFFICE REFS					NOTES
1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
					MEMO 1					EX 557 B.O.D. NAPLES 12-6-46

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/G_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

SERIAL NO	ITEM	Qty Released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REPS
	M/C BSA	17			
	Royal Enfield	1			
	15 cwt 4x4 GS Ford	18			
	" 3 ton GS Chev.	4			
	" " - Dodge	1			
	" " - Ford	1			

Keep: Brochure - 1
X-Type 2
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8118/3/Q1 Enfield - Folder (HA) 02203/LF

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RELEASE RECORD

DOS/ _____ AMIA RELEASE _____

	COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
			BR ORD/MT No. 17

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RELEASE RECORD

MMIA REQUEST_____ GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ MMIA RELEASE_____

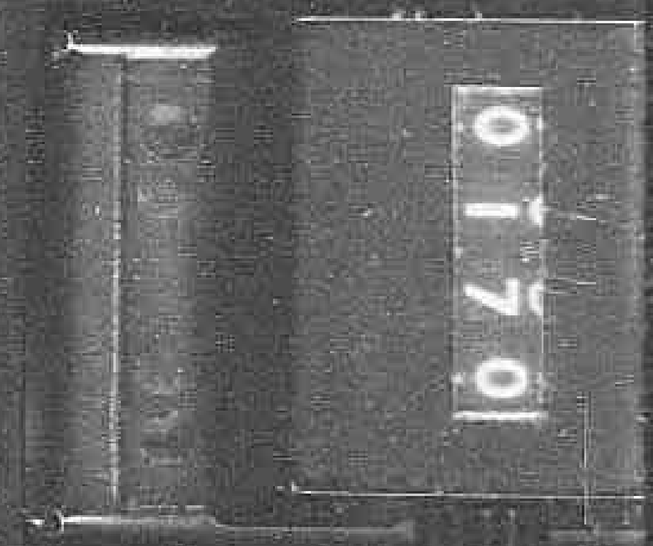
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	M.T. Spares	2½ tons			

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GHQ/Q_____ DOS/_____ AMLA RELEASE_____

Qty released		COLLECTIONS	OFFICE REFS	NOTES
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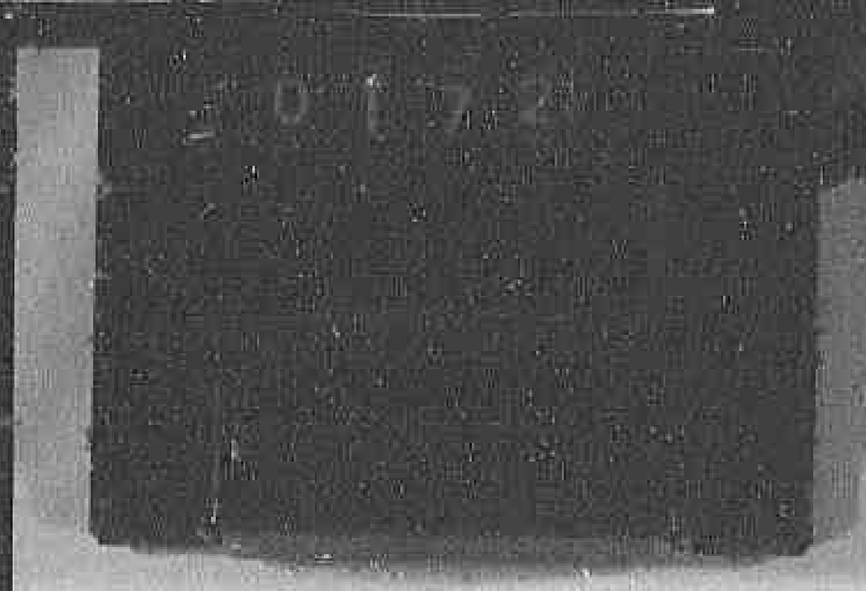
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SUBJECT:- Appointments - Officers.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
Tel : 478207
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15 June 46.

Ref' para 1(a) of your Periodical Report - 1 June 1946, serial 11, it is pointed out that the appointment of Capt. M.F. HARRIS RASC should read"Captain RASC" vice Capt. A.H. WILTSHER RASC and not DADST.

Approved

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Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMLA).

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APPENDIX "D".

C.A.R. - STATE.

1. GENERAL.

Training has continued according to the programme as detailed by the Ministry of War and has proceeded satisfactorily. The following points did actually hinder the smooth running of the training programme but time lost has been rectified.

(a) Unfavourable Weather Conditions.

Lombardy, during the month of May, had rain on most of the days, with the inevitable result that, during the wet weather range firing suffered considerably. Work on the open ranges was also held up and they will not be completed until this month.

(b) Lack of Training Ammn.

H.E. bombs for the 2inch.Mortar are still not available. Practices are therefore confined to the firing of smoke and dummy bombs.

(c) Public Holidays and Feast Days.

No provision is made by the Ministry of War in the training programmes for the holidays which appear to be so numerous at this period of the year. It is considered necessary that recruits are given these holidays as are other soldiers of the Italian Army.

(d) Public Safety Duties.

Although it has not affected training to a great extent during May, the duties which have been carried out by the recruits in respect of the General Elections will have some effect on the continuity of recruit training. HQ 3 Terr.Comd. have been informed that the course now in progress will be extended one week to make up the time lost during the first week in June due to the elections. Recruits will be away from their training for approximately seven days.

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(b) Senior N.C.Os.

Their instructional knowledge is extremely limited, and, in some cases, their facility to learn is very poor.

(c) Junior N.C.Os.

Nearly all have little ability to instruct, and very little idea of what discipline really is, and the ultimate fate of most of these NCOs has already been decided. Their return to their units will take effect from the termination of the first course and their places filled from the best of the recruits, who, in some instances, are already instructing.

Only the best of the poor bunch will be retained, and then only if it is considered that they will greatly improve. There are at least 200 recruits at the C.A.R. who are capable of doing this task extremely well and it has been suggested by the Comd. and we have asked 3 Terr.Comd. to communicate with the Ministry of War to obtain permission to retain as many of the recruits at the end of the course who are considered able to instruct well, as are required to make up all deficiencies in NC.O. Instructors. A great many of the recruits have already served a period of military training and this is just a brush up in the new methods as far as they are concerned. At the present moment the deficiency in Instructors is 67, but, with the return to their units of the unsuitable instructors, it is anticipated that the figure will increase to approximately 120. Sanction has already been given by the Ministry of War for the retention of 60 recruits as instructors for the next course, and it is hoped that the request for additional recruit instructors will receive a favourable answer.

Suggestions for the replacement of all ranks of unsuitable instructors will be forwarded to the Ministry of War during June, and we will forward a list of these to you as soon as it has been completed.

3. RESULT OF PRIMARY TRAINING.

The general standard achieved was satisfactory, but this fact is attributed to most of the recruits having served a period of military service.

The lack of sufficient regulation books and the limited knowledge of the young instructors inevitably caused the standard of theoretical instruction to be a little below average, butthe standard reached in drill and weapon training was very high. As was expected, a small percentage of the recruits were not keen to learn but these cases were isolated instances rather than the rule.

4. W.E. OF 3 C.A.R.

Attached to this report is the up to date holdings of personnel at the C.A.R. It will be noted that there is still a deficiency of approx

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5. CARE OF ARMS.

It has been found that recruits are not always giving the necessary attention and maintenance to their personal arms after they have been fired on the ranges. The Comd. has been advised to erect on all ranges some method of supply of constant hot water so that the recruits are able to boil out the barrels of their weapons before leaving the range, thus ensuring that corrosion of the barrels does not occur. The arrival of the trained armourers from CESANO will greatly assist in this matter.

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6. RECRUITS S.I.T. COURSE - MILAN.

600 recruits are now proceeding with their training in S.I.T. duties. The course consists of continuation of training in drill and weapons, and their training in bakery duties, both theoretical and practical. The theoretical part consists of lectures by competent officers and the practical training is done by the attachment to the bakery of one platoon of the recruits a time, who are then attached to the different sections of the bakery and D.I.D.

One important factor which has emerged from this course is, that although the recruits received basic training in British weapons, on arrival at their destination, they were immediately issued with rifles of Italian manufacture. Due to the shortage of British weapons, this was unavoidable, but it does seem a waste of effort if this thing is to keep recurring.

Another difficulty has been the lack of suitable barracks for this course to be held at, and the barracks finally selected as the most suitable one was in a very dilapidated state and consequently a great deal of engineer work was necessary before the barracks was fit to house the recruits. Allied requirements in this area still call for the majority of the good barracks although some of them are only occupied in part, but orders from C.M.Q. forbid 59 Area to release any accommodation at present. It is thought that this policy will soon come to an end so that the Italian soldiers are housed in the best and not the worst of the barracks. For the next course the barracks will be of a much better standard.

This HQ is watching with more than the usual surviellance the welfare and accommodation problems of this course, as it is felt that, if this is not done, the good start received by the recruits at the C.A.R. will be completely lost if the standard of the Officer and N.C.O. Instructors is allowed to fall behind the C.A.R. standards both for discipline and practical duties.

A number of the recruits on this course are already reported absent without leave, but their return under escort is expected shortly.

7. WEEKEND LEAVE.

Duties permitting, recruits have been allowed to proceed to their homes during the weekend, leaving the barracks after completion of their work on Saturdays, and returning to barracks in time for the first lesson on Mondays. This policy has been found to be highly successful and on the last check at the C.A.R. there were no recruits who were A.W.O.L.

Some instances have occurred of recruits arriving at the barracks late for the first parade and the necessary disciplinary action is taken against offenders.

It has been suggested by the Comd. that the question of regional recruitment be studied further, as he is certain that with the close proximity of the recruits to their homes, if weekend leave was not granted, there would be a large number of absentees at the C.A.R.

Also, by granting weekend leave, the rations saved are used to [illegible]

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8. ACCOMMODATION.

(a) With the advent of the warmer weather it has been found advisable again to survey the sanitary requirements of the C.A.R. and it is thought that the standard of latrine accommodation at the CCMO barracks is unsatisfactory. HQ 3 Terr. Comd. have been advised to send one of their senior Medical Officers to inspect this barracks and to render a report as to whether or not it is advisable to put a project in hand to have additional latrines built or to have repairs carried out on the existing ones.

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(b) The matter of when the C.A.R. will be located in a permanent location will be the subject of a separate letter, but one finds that the Ministry of War are not prepared to spend a lot of money on the C.A.Rs in temporary locations.

9. MILITARY DISTRICTS.

From a report rendered by the Comd. of the C.A.R. the following points are brought to light which will undoubtedly assist in the intake of the next recruits.

Recruits arrived at the C,A.R. who were affected by sickness or illness with the consequent inconvenience of the C.A.R. having to evacuate them to hospital or to place them in the sick ward at the barracks. This should be dealt with by the medical staffs at the District HQ.

Other recruits arrived at the C.A.R, in possession of documents giving them exemption from military service.

Recruits who should have been assigned to the Alpini Corps were in some instances not properly documented, placing additional work on the already extended staff at the C.A.R.

Some recruits were accepted for Military service who were obviously unfit, and were the subject of further medical examinations at the C.A.R.

From the above, it is thought that the medical staffs at Districts are not sufficient to cope with such a large intake of recruits in a short time, and it has been suggested to Terr. Comd. that, if this is the case, that additional medical officers from the hospitals be attached to Districts during the period of the intake.

Points other than medical are obviously due to lack of care and attention to detail by the staffs at Districts and can be rectified by Districts themselves.

A complete overhaul of the reception machinery has been suggested so that the points mentioned above are not allowed to recur.

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

PERIODICAL REPORT - 1 JUNE, 1946.

SERIAL 11.

Looking back at a month in which so much has happened, one is struck by the quiet way in which the Milanese people have taken things. The abdication of King Victor Emmanuel, though it caused many and varied comments in the Press, was quietly accepted by the troops, and the innumerable speeches and political meetings have all passed off without serious incident. Relations between the Army and the civilians seem good enough. As to the Elections, there is every indication that things will pass off quietly, but the general opinion is that there will be trouble when the results are made known. King Umberto visited MILAN on June 1st and received a rather bogus reception from some sections of the community. On the whole his visit was a success, and he found time to visit the Italian Military Hospital at BAGGIO and also inspect some troops of the Legnano Div and some CC IR before leaving by air for VERONA.

The Ministry of War, in agreement with the Ministry of the Interior authorised the employment of troops to assist in the maintenance of order at the polling booths between 2 - 4 June. The following Mun Units Command are therefore performing this duty:-

CAR COMO	1010
CAR BRESCIA	1100
3 BERS REGT	500
CAR CC DISSARLATO	500
MEDICAL DIRECTORATE	200

Ministry of War has agreed to these men continuing after the 4 June if necessary.
The Territorial Commands of TURIN and GENOA have earmarked 1500 and 750 men respectively, as reinforcements to proceed to MILAN.
These arrived on 1 June, and have been distributed amongst the various centres of Lombardy in accordance with the requests of Prefects concerned.
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(a) Domestic (BLU)

During the month, the following changes have taken place in the BLU.

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Major H. DOUGLASS, RTR, apptd DAA and QMG vice Major J.D.METCALFE, RE RASC
Capt. W.F.HARRIS, R.ASC, [redacted] vice Capt. A.H.WHITSHER R.ASC.
Capt.J. ALDRIDGE, REME, apptd Capt. REME vice Capt.J.SHOCKER, REME.

Major P.E.COMBEAD, CC HR LO, has been posted to GERMANY.

(b) ITALIAN

Brig Gen RICHIERI Lorenzo assumed cond of Legnano Inf Div vice Gen CHIAR Umberto on 3 May 46.

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II G.

Organisation.

Changes in Org - (ITALIAN).

1 Bn 67 Inf Regt moved from TUREN to VIGEVANO on 23 - 24 May and from VIGEVANO to MILAN (Temporary for Election duties) on 30 May 45.
The move of 6 Dty 11 Arty Regt from GARDONE to BRESCIA took place on 2 - 3 June.

Employment of Troops.

(a) Army less CC RR.

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(b) Influx of new reinforcements from various sources and consequent necessity of looking after their primary training.
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Inf Units.

(a) Individual and collective formal training.

One hour a day is allotted for this except in units which are more advanced, when this period is reduced to ½ hour daily.
Results prove satisfactory and sufficient to give units the required standard.

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Trg Inf Units (contd).

(b) Instructions and Regulations.

These have been increased mainly on account of the bad weather which has often prevented outdoor training.

(c) Weapon Training and Range Firing.

This has been well carried out, more particularly in the 1/67 and 3/67 who have only recently received British weapons. Numerous rifle practices at 100 - 200 and 300 yds have been carried out by the two previously mentioned Bns and also by the 1/68 and 3 /68, as well as LMG, TSMC, and Piat practices. 3/68 moved from CREMONA to BERGAMO during the first half of May in order to be able to make use of the Regimental Ranges in the foothills.

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Patrols and Section handling and also platoon and section trg in mopping up isolated houses and buildings has been concentrated on. Bad weather largely interfered, but all the same full use was made of large barrack rooms and shelters.
3/67 have not yet begun its battle training, but this will shortly commence.

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All units have repeatedly been trained in the application of the alarm schemes for public order. Training took the form of practical exercises, embussing and debussing etc.

(f) P.T. and Sports.

An hour daily is allotted to this. The lack of kit is still however acute. The officers have improved in fencing.

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Telephone "
Intelligence
Pioneers
Buglers
Ration Storemen
Pay and Clerical duties.
Typists and clerks.

60 students from 67 Inf and 82 from 68 Inf are taking part. Results obtained are not very good on account of the low standard of intelligence of the men available.

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Trg Inf Units (contd).

(i) Officers and Senior NCO's.

Three or four conferences are held weekly under Bn arrangements to discuss training matters and the employment of small units on the basis of schemes set from time to time by Regt HQ's.
150 men from 67 Inf and about 50 from 68 Inf Regt are attending selected NCO's courses.

Artillery Units.

Training has developed on the same lines as in the Inf units.
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Engineer Units.

(a) Sappers.

Training has included :-
Mine laying and lifting
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Mounting and dismounting Bailey bridges(single & double).
Construction of bridge supports.

(b) Telegraphists and W/T Operators.

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3 Inf Regt.

1 Bn (MILAN).

Only No. 2 Coy carried out training during the month, the remainder being on guard duties. Training included . . drill, route marches, lectures, battle training with particular regard to use of ground and section handling, and internal security duties.

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Trg Inf Units(contd).

2 Bn (PAVIA).

No. 7 Coy carried out training this month. The main item of battle training studied was the use of ground and cover and individual movement during the battle. Several shoots were also carried out, with the rifle, LMG and TSMC. Lectures were given on Public Security duties and Regulations. Other trg included Drill and P.T.

3 Bn (BRESCIA).

No. 12 Coy was on training this month. Besides route marches and drill, the Coy commenced battle training. This included section handling, individual movement and use of cover. Range practices in the rifle, LMG and TSMC also took place, as well as Internal Security training lectures.

All Bns.

Courses for senior and junior NCO's were held, embracing the following subjects:-

Detailed basic instruction in discipline, barrack and territorial duties.
Elementary training in Infantry weapons.
Technical training in Infantry weapons and ammn.
Compilation of indents and reports.
Lectures on present day events.
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Drill.
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(b) CC RR.

Owing to many other duties, trg has not been on a very big scale this month. M/Cyclists courses in the PADUA Legion were satisfactory, as were those held in MILAN. VERONA Legion have not completed their M/Cycle trg yet but have made progress in the theory and practical use of automatic weapons. BOLZANO Legion are very much taken up with other duties but have progressed satisfactorily.

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Strength situation of units is as under:-

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VERONA	1095	1265	1098
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Political tendencies amongst tps(contd).

It is easy for a clever propagandist to blame the House of Savoy for the long terms of service, small rates of pay,etc, added to any imagined grievances which the soldiers may have against their officers, who are undoubted Monarchists.
The propaganda is cleverly carried out. As an example, it is reported that the Communist party at BRESCIA provide free transport for the troops at week-ends, so that they can go and visit their families. They are brought back on Monday mornings. It is known that several of the Legnano Div attend meetings of the Socialist Youth Federation at BERGAMO.
Pamphlets urging the men to desert are from time to time distributed in the streets. All this is bound to make some impression after a time, and has certainly done so amongst the recruits at the C.A.R., though the Legnano Div and 3 Inf Regt are less affected.

Subversive elements.

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Public Order (contd).

There was at first some difficulty as the workmen were not willing to give them up, as they maintained that the firm had not paid them their full wages. A suitably worded letter from the Air Forces Sub-Commission, endorsed by the BLU however enabled the collection of these arms to be carried out without further demur.
Common crime is reported to be slightly on the increase.
A plot attributed by the local Press to Neo-Fascists, was discovered on 21 May. The plot aimed, amongst other things, to provoke incidents involving Allied Officers including terrorist attempts at their lives, with the intention of proving that the Country was not yet fit for the Elections. From 22 May, British Officers had to move in pairs and carry arms, and small Messes (incl 3 BLU) closed down and moved into Transit Hotels, over which guards were provided. However, after two days the order about carrying arms was rescinded, and the BLU is now back again in the Mess. The "cloak and dagger" atmosphere still lingers, and precautions are being taken over the Election period.
Electioneering propaganda on a big scale has been going on throughout the month and has of course intensified during the last week. The bill-stickers have worked overtime, and it is difficult to find an empty space on the walls of the City on which to paste new manifestoes.
As for the small handbills, they abound in their thousands and provide plenty of work for the crossing-sweepers.
In spite of the fact that political passion has reached its peak and despite alarming rumours which habe been spread during the past week or so regarding armed risings and coups-d 'etats, the public safety situation remains good on the whole.

CC RR.

CC RR have arrested a large number of criminals, particularly in the BOLZANO area. 64 prisoners recently escaped from BELLUNO prison. Of these 27 are still missing but some are known to have reached AUSTRIA.
(CC RR sources).

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III A.

Domestic. Deficiencies in all ranks against WE.

RQWO - Ord Sjt held in lieu.
L/Cpl Clerk - Ord.
L/Cpl Clerk - RASC.
Cook ACC.

The CC RR LO has been posted to UK and a replacement is not forthcoming. The work is being covered by CC RR LO of 1 DIST.

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PAY PROBLEMS.

The situation as outlined in our last report is under consideration by the War Ministry, but to date the unsatisfactory conditions still apply. The bonus paid to soldiers employed on Public Security duties, has recently been increased, particularly in the case of those men who work in an isolated area and so are unable to take advantage of existent military facilities. This step has been particularly welcomed, as it lessens the discrepancy between the pay of those in the Police Force, and soldiers employed on the same duty, but hitherto more poorly paid.

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MORALE.

Satisfactory on the whole, although the nervous tension on the eve of the elections inevitably reflects itself, causing men to ponder on their own future which may well be to some extent influenced by the result of the elections. The thought is also present that should disorders break out, they would perhaps lose touch with their families.

OTHER A POINTS.

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Output from the Division and MILAN Wksps continues satisfactorily and although the Wksps at PIACENZA has at present a low output, this will undoubtedly increase when the Wksps become better organised.

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Workshops are at present grossly overloaded, but it is hoped that by an increase in the standard of maintenance by the Units this situation may be somewhat lessened. Also, when the base Wksps at BOLOGNA increases its overhauling of British vehicles a considerable load will be taken from the Div Wksps. Evacuation of this Wksps should have commenced on the 9 May, but Units are too hesitant about backloading their vehicles to the shops, because of the incorrect belief that the vehicles would not be returned to them after overhaul. This situation is in hand and it is hoped soon that many more major repair jobs will be backloaded to BOLOGNA than it is at present the case.
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Further details are being obtained.

(b) CC RR.

No allocation of clothing has been received for the past month.

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ARMS & AMN.

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C.A.R. trg amn has arrived.
Units of Legnano Div equipped with sten guns have been without sten amn. Beretta amn was tried out, but as a result of accidents which arose, its use was discontinued.
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S&P PROBLEMS.

A. The issue of fresh meat has been welcomed everywhere. Units employed on Public Safety duty have been issued with 5 days rations and also with a daily food bonus (15 Lire) but some difficulty is being experienced in providing the 5 day ration, due to the fact that the ordinary issue ration often does not readily lend itself to making up the type of ration required on such duty, 3 Terr Comd have approached SHAPE in the matter.

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Camp Problems A contd.

In view of future possible transport difficulties all Units have been issued with the hard part of the rations for the whole month of June. An 8 day ration of biscuits for reserve is in course of issue.
Comment has already been made on the CAR (Commissariato) earlier in this report under " C ". In general the CAR seems to be progressing satisfactorily, although a little too much time appears to be given to Regimental training and not enough to the specialized side. However, a full inspection report is in course of preparation, wherein the matter will be discussed more deeply.

B. M.T.(Administration and Operation).

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2. To give increased attention to the problem of supplying soldier tradesman (chiefly vehicle mechanics).

3. Where civilians are employed, to give the Officer Commanding the same disciplinary powers as those accorded to the OC of a British Station Transport Coy RASC.

4. To issue detailed information, explaining the purpose behind systematic maintenance, and to issue specific instructions that say 10% of vehicle availability will be off the road daily for maintenance.

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5. To issue detailed orders governing the carrying out of AB 406 inspections, both W/S and platoon.

MEDICAL PROBLEMS. The ORI (Italian Red Cross) Hospital at BIZZOZZERO(VARESE) is being evacuated and the building handed back to the civil authorities. Most of the patients (about 800 TB cases) will be moved to MERANO.

MOV PROBLEMS (NOT incl loans). Road movement has been reduced to a minimum, so as to have as many vehicles as possible available for a possible emergency.

OTHER G POINTS. N.T.R.

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

PERIODICAL REPORT - 1 MAY 1946.

SERIAL 10.

I. GENERAL

(a) Domestic (LI) ; N.T.R.

(b) ITALIAN

General UTILI, commanding 1ª NAPO DET DIV, relinquishes this appointment on 3 May, and is being succeeded by General [illegible] (Arty).
It is understood that the present Div Cmds of all the other Inf Divs are also being replaced, but no other information or reasons are known.

II. G.
Organisation

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(b) ITALIAN

During April the following changes of location took place:-

(1) 15/16 April: HQ 111th Regt (MANTOVA DIV) and 2/Bn 111th Regt moved from VARESE and COMO to CHIAVARI.

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(b) Two Coys	TIRANO
(c) One Coy	EDOLO

(5) 29 April : 3 Bn/68 Regt from VIGEVANO to CREMONA.

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(b) ITALIAN

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Employment of Tps.

(a) Army less CC RR

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Small numbers of troops are still being employed in controlling prison riots and in augmenting the prison guards at various civil prisons throughout Lombardy.
Otherwise, normal training continues.

(b) CC RR : Employed on appointed Police duties throughout Area.

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Training.

(a) Army less CC RR

i) Fr Ests

The first four weeks training at the CAR concluded on 28 Apr. In spite of delay in arrival of training ammn all recruits fired on 30 ^ range with the Rifle and Bren.
815 recruits left the CAR for specialist schools on 2 May.
200 additional recruits (drivers) leave about 15 May.
Recruits for S&T course in MILAN reported there 2 May from No. 3 CAR. 600 other recruits (from other CAR's) should have arrived 1 May for this course, but to date only part of that number have reported.

ii) Other tps

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Training activity during April has been slightly curtailed owing to:-

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(b) Public Security duties in which all units had to participate prior to the admin elections and later on during the disturbances in the civil prisons at LEGNANO and MILAN.

(c) Lack of clothing and equipment, mainly boots and socks.

The chief unit affected was 67 Inf Regt, which had completely to reorganise the three Regtl Coys (HQ Coy, A.Tk, and Mortars) and transform the W.E. of the 3rd Bn (ex guards Bn) into the W.E. of a Bn of an Inf Div.

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Inf Units.

(a) Indiv and Collective Drill.

This has been concentrated on in order to improve the appearance of the troops and also with the object of morally impressing the civilians who thus get an indication of the efficiency of the units. Good results were obtained, particularly in 68 Inf Regt.

(b) Instruction in Orders and Procedure.

Discipline
Garrison duties
Barrack life
Penal code

Instruction in the above has continued.

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(c) Weapon Tng and Range practices.

Instruction in British weapons has taken up most of the available time in the 1st and 3rd Bns of 67 Inf Regt who have recently been re-organised on their new W.E.
6-week courses are being held under instructors supplied by the 2nd In.

The following units have carried out Range practices at distances indicated:-

2nd In 67 Inf Regt:	Two rifle practices at 100 yds and two TSMO practices for men who had not previously fired.
1st In 68 Inf Regt:	Grouping 100 yds (Rifle) application 200 yds (Rifle). Single shot 100 yds (Bren) Application 200 yds (Bren) One lesson 2" Mortar.

(d) Battle Training.

This training has been carried out by 67 Inf Regt (Except for 3rd In which moved from DEIR to VAUGHAN on 11 April).
The 2nd In carried out two tactical exercises at Coy level and 1st In after completing training in Brit weapons began section training in continuation of individual training carried out in March.
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Practical driving and technical knowledge shows improvement. Particular care has been taken with road discipline and the daily task system.
New courses are being held to fill the deficiencies which will be caused by the demobilisation of the 1922 class.

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(h) Specialist Training.

A Pioneer course was held in 68 Inf Regt and an Armourers course at the Mobile Wksps.
Results were only fair, on account of the difficulty of selecting suitable men.
A.T., Mortar and wireless operators courses are being held in 67 Inf Regt.

(i) Training of Officers and Senior NCO's.

Has been somewhat interrupted by Internal Security duties, detachments, advance parties, recruits training, guards etc.

Artillery.

Arty Regt has carried out Drill, Instruction in Orders and procedure, weapon training, Range firing (Weekly shoots with Rifle and T&C under Battery arrangements) Internal Sec. duties, P.T. and Sports.

More specialised activities include:-

(a) Battle Training.

Each Battery has carried out one exercise weekly with satisfactory results.

(b) M.T.

Drivers courses have been held under Battery arrangements.
A Regimental Board assembled on 15 April and passed 60 out of 96 learner drivers.

(c) Specialist Training.

The following courses are now being held:-

Cookery	31	Students
Telephonists	44	"
NCO's leadership	53	"
Wireless operators	21	"

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High standard of results are not expected from the above courses as owing to recent demobilisation, the remaining students are intellectually weak.

(d) Officers and Senior NCO's.

Two or three conferences and discussions are held weekly in each Battery on tactical and technical problems, and material, weapons and vehicles in possession of units. Results good.

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Engineers.

Instruction common to the other arms has been carried out with good results. Rifle and TSMC shoots have been carried out. A drivers course is in progress which finishes on 20 May. 20 men are taking part and the results are expected to be good.

(c) Engineers Training.

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The following types of bridges are being constructed:-

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I.S.
D.D.
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Training in also being done in mines and minefields. After a preparatory indoor period, outdoor exercises in laying and lifting mines follow.
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Drill, marching, individual training. P.T. and Sports have received special attention.
Indoor instruction has continued in Rules of discipline, penal code, garrison duties and Internal Security.

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2nd Bn.

Formal instruction of the unit has been the basis of training, as well as PT and weekly route marches. Indoor training has included weapons, duties of the soldier, and Barrack duties.

3rd Bn.

Formal instruction of the unit, marching, weapon training and general indoor instructions.

Battle training on similar lines to that carried out at the C.A.R. will take place during May.

TRAINING.

(b) CC RR.

According to set schedule.

Intelligence.

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N.I.R.

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CC RR

Continue to be good. Press comments on CC RR (and other police agencies) at San Vittore Prison Riot were not favourable.

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(d) Political current among the

As previously reported.

(e) Subversive elements

N.C.R.

(f) Public Security.

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(4) CC RR

General condition satisfactory.
San Vittore Riot specially reported.

(g) Economics.

N.T.R.

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(h) Other "I" Points.

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I.E.A.

Domestic. Deficiencies in all ranks against WE.

RCWO - Ord Sjt held in lieu.
T/Cpl Clerk - Ord.
T/Cpl Clerk - RASC
T/Cpl Dvr Mech
Cook ACC.

Leave: detail of all ranks on leave and when due to return.
Detail of all ranks due for leave in immediate future.

Sjt Clerk - In UK on SEWIRO: due to return beginning of May.

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1 Reparto Autoambulanze	"	100	%
1 Dtg 3 Regt Ftr.	"	87	%

The situation is being further investigated.

DISCIPLINE. N.T.R.

MEANS PROBLEMS. N.T.R.

PAY PROBLEMS.

Dissatisfaction continues to be expressed at the pay situation, as pointed out in our last report, 352
The causes are:

a) Discrepancies of pay within fmns.

b) General inadequacy of the rate of pay in view of inflated living prices.

c) The [illegible]

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c) The monthly payment from the War Ministry to the Territorial Command, due 18th each month never arrives promptly, is frequently as much as 3 weeks late, and is not considered adequate.

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ARMY.

The recruits appear to be settled down very well , no further cases of breach of discipline have been brought to notice. Signor BROCCHIO'S (Minister of War) Easter message with its promise of future relevance and economic assistance, created a favourable impression.
The civil press and population generally seem to look on the Army with increasing sympathy.
Welfare activity in the form of financial assistance to the more needy has been started again, following the arrival of a grant from the War Ministry, a grant that was however only 50 % of that expected.

OTHER A POWERS. N.A.R.

IV. Q

Domestic Transport.

F.T.R.

Accommodation.

N.T.R.

ITALIAN Transport

(a) Army less CC RR

N.T.R.

(b) CC RR

N.T.R.

RULE PROBLEMS.

ARSENAL AT PIACENZA.

During a recent visit to the Arsenal of Piacenza it was noticed that the Armament Shop was engaged in repair or overhaul of Italian Artillery, both A.A. and field guns were undergoing repair, whilst at least a dozen field pieces were completed awaiting destination.
It is not understood by this Office to what Units these guns will be issued. It would appear that the man hours can be put to considerably better use. However, AMF, MTA, is fully informed on the subject and, no doubt, has

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GENERAL FORCES. M.T.R.

IV. Q

Domestic Transport.

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Accommodation.

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In spite of holding approx. 20 civilians above the civilian establishment, it is obvious to the observer that the shop is hopelessly understaffed.

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The position of the store section alone is a brilliant example of capital standing idle whilst the Ministry of War authorize the purchase of replacement parts at black market prices, plus a considerable time lag spare parts which may possibly be already in their own store.
Due to lack of personnel, these stores are not yet sorted and, in some instances, are yet to be taken from the cases in which they were recovered.
Total men at present employed on this task: one Lieutenant and two storemen, whereas 12 men should be fully employed for at least three months.
May the Ministry of War be recommended:-

a) To post soldiers to this Unit, or:
b) Authorize the employment of further civilians to fill vacancies on military establishment.

Ref REME Sitrep 7 Apr 46

TRCC FRONTIER.

N.T.R.

CLOTHING & EQPT.

(a) Army Issue CC RR

Following upon the reports received on the poor quality of the clothing being issued, HQ Terr.Comd. have recently ordered a detailed inspection of tps clothing and eqpt amongst units.

(b) CC RR

N.T.R.

AR & A/Tk.

(a) Army Issue CC RR

The CAR trg arm has not yet arrived. However, the amount necessary to ensure continuity of training was borrowed from the Legnano Div.
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MAIN PROBLEM.

N.T.R.

CLOTHING & EQPT.

(a) Army less CC RR

Following upon the reports received on the poor quality of the clothing being issued, HQ Terr.Comd. have recently ordered a detailed inspection of the clothing and eqpt amongst units.

(b) CC RR

N.T.R.

ARMS & AM.

(a) Army less CC RR

The CAR trg arm has not yet arrived. However, the amount necessary to ensure continuity of training was borrowed from the Lognano Div.
A 10 % check of arm of Lognano Div has been carried out by Rear Examiner 2 District. An exceedingly low standard of arm care and maintenance was revealed and endeavours are being made to arrange a 100 % inspection.
The 10,000 auto carbines and 3000 pistols have been distributed, testing being completed.

(b) CC RR

N.T.R.

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C.E.M.

The collection of C.E.M. from the Milan "Macello" is held up because APAR demands heavy Storage rates. The Ministry of War has been informed of the situation and a reply is awaited.

ACCOMMODATION.

Work is continuing at the CAR's at COMO and BRESCIA, and at the Via delle Rovere Barracks. Allotted projected work has been indefinitely postponed owing to lack of funds. Apropos of this the Ministry has informed Territorial Comd. that no further grant can be made until the next financial year, beginning 1 July.

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2. No 3 Bulk Depot, Milan, have supplied the Distribution Depots at MILAN, PIACENZA, TURIN and GENOA with the necessary [illegible] "Provolone" cheese and [illegible]

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3. With effect from the 1 May 46 fresh meat (200 grs per ration, including bone) will be issued in lieu of tinned meat and fish. Arrangement for cold storage etc appear to be in order and will be inspected regularly.

MEDICAL PROBLEMS: N.T.R.
MOV PROBLEMS(NOT incl Leons). N.T.R.
OTHER P POINTS: N.T.R.

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Appendix "E"

SAN VITTORE PRISON RIOT

On 21st April 1946 at 1610 hrs a riot occurred in the San Vittore Prison, and continued until approx 1530 hrs 24th April 1946, whereby 4 persons were killed (3 prisoners and 1 Guard) and 56 persons were wounded (46 prisoners, 9 Police and 1 Italian soldier) No injury was sustained by any prisoner detained by Allied Authority, and no Allied personnel were in the Riot.
Considerable damage was occasioned to the Prison externally and internally.

The Director General of the Ministry of Grace and Justice together with General Taddei of the CC RR are holding an enquiry into the cause of the Riot and of the action taken to suppress it, their findings are not yet known.
The facts as known so far are that approx 40/50 desperate criminals (persons held for felony and long term prisoners) planned the riot with the express intention of escaping from the prison. The prison is stated to have had at the time a population of 2500 prisoners. There is no doubt that many of the prisoners detained in San Vittore Prison awaiting trial have just cause for resentment and complaint in so far as the prolonged period of detention prior to their trial. This invidious position is however solely caused by the protracted system of the Italian legal procedure. There is however no evidence that these persons were in any way involved in the Riot.
To appreciate the comparitive ease in which disturbances of a minor nature can readily mount into a concern of major proportion, as in this case, the peculiar construction of the prison, and the habits of the prisoners must be understood.
From the main entrance of the prison a covered passage way leads to the Central Rotundra from which branches a series of wings; therefore a few persons so disposed can isolate the whole of the prison wings by holding the single entrance gate from the main entrance.
The prisoners have in the past been allowed to walk from one wing to another, the cells cannot be said to have an efficient locking system and the prison population is much in excess of the number the prison was normally intended to house.
Thus it can readily be visualised that when a few rebels (led by desperadoes who had nothing to lose) secured as hostages 4 Agents of PS disarmed them and executed a quick succession of adroit moves in the Rotunda, a strong position was easily and readily obtained.
Nevertheless it is thought that if equally strong and determined measures had been immediately adopted by the authorities concerned to suppress the Riot it would have ended without so much disturbance.
As it was, as soon as the rebels realized that the Italian Military Authority had been given command of the affair and that the officer deputed as Commander (Col [illegible] MICHELIS) was of determined mind and intended to put an end to the matter by action and not word the riot collapsed and order was soon instituted.
The newspapers reporting the matter in the well known style of the Italian journalists make many statements which are fantastic, but it must be agreed that their deprecation of the apparent lack of co-ordination between the Civil Authorities concerned, the action of the prefect in parleying, and in fact all those responsible for maintaining order in the establishment, may be in some way justifiable. The merit or demerit of the press opinion of course must

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	1 L Cpl	[illegible] Maria				
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Clerks R&E	1 L Cpl	6299962 L Cpl [illegible] L.C.	44 0			
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SERIAL 9.

I. GENERAL

(a) Domestic (POL): NIL.

(b) ITALIAN — General SUGUI has assumed his duties as "Infantry General" and has been visiting the CARs and Infantry Units in the Territory.
At present he is acting GOC during the absence of Gen MARTAS in ROME.

II G.

Organisation

(a) Domestic — NIL.

(b) ITALIAN (i) 3rd Bn 67 Inf Regt (ex 543 Guard Bn) arrived from VERCELLI area on 11 Apr and is located:

Bn HQ, 10 Coy, 11 Coy, 12 Coy — Cascina CASTELLO VERCELLI D 9905

9 Coy: Castello dei Visconti di Modrone, SOMMA LOMBARDA J 0891

(ii) The Italian Army Arms Factory of GARDONE VAL TROMPIA has been re-designated

"Detachment of the TARM Arms Factory".

Employment of Bns.

(a) Army less CC RR: About 2,000 men were employed for Public Security duty during the Local Elections, in the various provinces of the Territory.
The 3rd Bn 68 Inf Regt of "LEGNANO" Div was moved [illegible]

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Employment of tps.

(a) Any less CC RR: About 2,000 men were employed for Public Security duty during the Local Elections, in the various provinces of the Territory.
The 3rd Bn 68 Inf Regt of "LEGNANO" Div was moved to MILAN on this occasion from Apr 4 to 10.
The civil authorities expressed their appreciation on the impartial behaviour of the tps.
No incidents took place.
Other tps were employed at BRESCIA and MILAN to quell outbreaks in the local Prisons.
Order was established everywhere without any serious incidents.

(b) CC RR Employed solely on Police duties in this area viz:- Normal Police Patrols, Criminal Investigation, Control of Political offenders, Policing of Tribunal, Assizes, Mobile Pn.

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Training

(a) Army less CC ER

(i) Trg Bats: C&R continues with prescribed programme. Owing to the delay in arrival of training ammunition arrangements are being made to borrow the required amount from LEGM&MO Div.

(ii) Other bns. LEGM&MO Div and 3 Inf Regt - See att programmes.

(b) CC ER

As previous report.

INTELLIGENCE

(a) Ascertainable activities of ITALIANS vis a vis other countries (e.g.) YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, RUSSIA).

NTR.

(b) Frontier Activity: NTR.

(c) Relations between bns and populace (special ref to CC ER, other police, ex-partisans, peasants, town dwellers).

No special incidents have been reported. As soon as the extremist parties ceased their propaganda against the call-up of the 1924 class, the intake proceeded smoothly. The high cost of living and the increased unemployment may have influenced the men to report to Military Districts.

CC ER

Satisfactory as per previous report.

(d) Political current among bns:

There are no indications of any deep rooted opinions in politics amongst the bns, but generally speaking, they do not lean towards communism.

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(b) CC RR

As previous report.

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CC RR

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Satisfaction felt within this area that the city of Milan did not vote Communist, Current politics in CC RR is that of abhorrence of Communism and that the tendency in the North now verges towards moderate Socialism; there is more tranquillity in the ranks of CC RR who no doubt felt anxious as to their future in the event of a Communist victory in the General Election.

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(c) Subversive Activities.

Soy report on incident at [redacted] sent under my G.33/19/1 of 15 April 45.
It would appear that definite attempts have been made to spread discontent amongst the 1924 class recruits.

(d) Political Situation.

The re-organisation and strengthening of the Police Forces and also the internal clean-up(epuration) which has taken place now begins to show results, and the situation shows signs of definite improvement. Common crime is on the decline and political crimes are becoming more and more rare.
Except for the Erba (COMO) ,Palazzolo sull'Oglio and [redacted] incidents (destruction of the wires), the elections took place in perfect order and with large participation of voters.

(e) Economics.

The economic situation shows a marked tendency to deteriorate. The following factors are of importance:
(i). The threatened reduction of the bread ration.
(ii). The stabilisation of the ration of "soup"item(pasta etc) at ½ kg per month (a year ago the ration was 3 kg per month).
(iii) The stoppage of the arrival of coal with consequent limitations in the industrial field, in the distribution of cooking gas, and public tpt.

(f) Other Political Points.

The victory of the Socialist party and good foothold obtained by the Christian Democrat party has been widely discussed and generally approved in [redacted].

(g) Other C Points.

[redacted].

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III. A.

Domestic Deficiencies: in all ranks against WE.

DCWO - Ord Sjt held in lieu.
L/Cpl Clerk - Ord.
L/Cpl Clerk - RASC.
Cook - AOC.
L/Cpl Dvr Mech.

The following Officers are due for release at the beginning of May 46:-

DAA & QMG
Capt SMT
Capt RAEC.

It would greatly assist the smooth hand over of duties if replacements for these Officers could be found before their departure.

Leave: detail of all ranks on leave and when due to return.
Detail of all ranks due for leave in immediate future.

Sjt Clerk - In U.K. on SEWIROM. Due to return beginning of May.

ITALIAN Deficiencies: In total strengths and in tradesmen and in specialists against WE. (This will be shown in general terms only, e.g. as a percentage).

Deficiencies in total strengths of units unchanged see report Serial 7.

DISCIPLINE There have been cases of breaches of discipline at the CARs which it is considered have been caused by subversive elements who have come in with the last call up. For details refer G para Intelligence sub para c.

This HQ letter G 35/19/1 of 15 Apr 46 refers.

LEAVE PROBLEMS. NIL.

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Disparities in pay between Arms and units carrying out

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PAY PROBLEMS. Differences in pay between fmns and units carrying out precisely the same duties and living under similar conditions is still causing a considerable amount of discontent.

For example in 3 TERR.COMD. the following are all ~~paid~~ paid on a different basis:-

i) The Inf Div (Legnano).
ii) The Inf Regt.
iii) The CAR staffs (Officers and NCOs).

The TERR.COMD. quite rightly feel that justified discontent brought about by the comparisons should be eliminated and pay for all brought on to an equal footing.

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(Draft) On the 10 April an Officer from this HQ at the invitation of the GOC Friuli Inf Div attended a parade in commemoration of the first anniversary of their crossing of the Senio. The parade took place at Lugo Ripoli and a part was chosen which overlooked the battlefield. From this position the General after inspecting the guard of honour and passing a few brief words with the families of the fallen who were present, got up on the back of a Jeep and with the aid of a microphone and loud speakers proceeded to address the assembled for an hour. All the ardour of the Latin orator was put into it and those who had not been present with the Group during the actual battle undoubtably came away convinced that the liberation of Italy was entirely due to the heroism of 5 Italian Combat Groups particularly the Friuli and the gallant partisans. Theatrically half way through his oration the General turned round and viewed the late battle field and proceeded to describe the actions which had taken place. This part of the speech had as a background the occasional bark of a troop of 25 Pdrs. At one point the Allies were rather grudgingly thanked for having provided the Div with the weapons with which to fight but this was pretty well the only mention they got. Whilst it is eminently desirable to boost the efforts of the Divisions and extol the part they played in the liberation of their country, it is perhaps wrong to magnify their deeds to such an extent. We know that it is the Italian nature to exaggerate, but when carried to such extremes it is apt to rile our less excitable temperament. Surely it is a case of building up morale on a false basis.

OTHER A FORMS. 1924 Class Call up.

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Of the 21 988 who reported:

Not retained for various reasons		13.314
Enrolled:	CUNEO - 1902	
	BRESCIA 1992	
	CUNEO - 1906	
		5.802
Italian Air Force		103
Not physically fit		2.769
		21.988

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The figure of 1147 of those who did not report includes personnel in the following categories:-

i) Those already under arms about whom Military Districts were not fully informed.

ii) Those domiciled outside their normal Districts and for whom enrolment papers were not sent to the Districts in which they are living.

iii) An odd variety of displaced persons, those in prisons and hospitals.

It is considered that the number who actually failed to report for no other reason than to avoid Military Service is thus not more than 1 - 1.5 %.

IV. Q.

Domestic Transport.

NTR.

Accomodation.

NTR.

RAILWAY Transport.

(a) Army Loss CC RR

NTR.

(b) CC RR

NTR.

ARMS PROBLEMS. Armourers and Ammn state at C&R and problem of MT maintainance.

Number of weapons issued to the C&Rs is as follows:-

Rifles incl No.1 Mark III star and No.4.

CCMO	1851
BRESCIA	2047.

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Sten guns.

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ITALIAN Transport.

(a) Army less CC RR

NTR.

(b) CC RR

NTR.

REAL PROBLEMS. Armourers and Amn state at CAR and problem of MT maintainance.

Number of weapons issued to the CARs is as follows:-

Rifles incl No.1 Mark III star and No.4.

COMO	1651
BRESCIA	2047.

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Sten guns.

COMO	96
BRESCIA	96.

Bren guns.

COMO	96
BRESCIA	96.

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The Armourers shop at CCRO has recently been visited and the Armourer WO and the two soldiers were being employed by cleaning the weapons. They have not received any instruction on the repair and maintainance of British weapons, neither have they any proper tools or equipment. The C.R have to date not fired any of the weapons and are therefore only in possession of a small percentage of inefficient weapons.
It has not been possible to repair these odd weapons due to the lack of tools and no scale of spares.
Some of the brens came deficient of various parts the position is as follows:-

Gas regulators	deficient	7
Spare barrels	"	2

Several broken handles carrying bren.

Bipod	deficient	1.

It is also understood that wallets spare parts bren were supplied less spare parts.
The C.R has been asked to provide an actual list of spares required. The position particularly when firing practise starts is likely to deteriorate unless tools and a scaling of spares is provided.

RACE MONTHS.

The question of the breakdown in the procedure by which clothing and equipment is indented for and issued has been investigated. The Terr. Comd. blame the War Ministry for not laying down some sort of more foolproof system. Things in this sphere are undoubtably not working as they should and it is thought that a directive on the subject from the War Ministry would help.
It is difficult to improve the procedure between the Terr.Comd. and units if things are not working adequately from above. This may be a case of the junior fan blaming the senior but it is difficult to go into full details without the assistance of an Ord Officer.

CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT.

(a) Army less CC RR : NTR.
(b) CC RR : NTR.

ARMS AND AMN.

(a) Army less CC RR

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The testing of the 10,000 auto carbines and 3000 pistols is proceeding. To date the numbers tested are:-

9000 auto carbines.
2600 pistols.

These are being distributed to the CC RR on instructions from the

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C.E.M. NTR.

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ACCOMMODATION.

It is felt that the optimism re the liberation of Allied requisitioned accomodation in this area expressed in the report Serial 8 may have been rather premature.
This change of picture has been brought about by the apparently impending move of a large HQ into the area.
This HQ is in fact likely to lease the Officers Mess a recce party of formidable proportion having already visited it who considered it a desireable acquisition.

POL PROBLEMS. NIL.

SUP PROBLEMS. NIL.

MEDICAL PROBLEMS. NIL.

MOV PROBLEMS(NOT incl icons). NIL.

OTHER G POINTS. NIL.

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I. GENERAL

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II. G.

Organisation.

(a) Domestic

N.T.R.

(b) ITALIAN

Wef 16 March the Italian Army attached at PIACENZA passed under jurisdiction of No. 6 Corps HQ.

Employment of tps

(a) Army less CC RR

Approx 1500 tps have been employed in PS duties for the Administrative Elections.

LEGNO DIVISION.

The Div has continued normal training. Special training report of the L'Aquila Bn. (called for in your TRG/26/1 of 19 March 46 is still awaited).

3 INF REGT.

Normal training and guard duties.

(b) CC RR

Employed on normal duties.

Training

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(b) ITALIAN

Wef 16 March the Italian Army arsenal at PIACENZA passed under jurisdiction of No. 6 Terr.HQ.

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Training

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i) Trg Bats

See Appendix E.

Legnano Div

(a) Period 1 Jan - 20 March 46.

Training has been in accordance with SMRE directive 90/3/4 of 13 Jan 46.

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(b) Individual and collective trng.

Results have been satisfactory. Tactical procedure, use of weapons and stores, employment of units for special tasks have all been practised.

Reinforcements, who arrived in different batches were formed into special pls and have been trained in the use of individual and platoon weapons.

A half-hour daily has been devoted to drill.

(c) Firing Trainings.

Coys and equivalent units have carried out one or two firing exercises weekly with individual and pl weapons. The object of this has been to train individuals to engage battle targets accurately at short distances, and to improve the efficiency of the unit's fire-power as a whole.

Several battle practices have been carried out as well as practical grenade throwing.

(d) Internal Security Training.

All units have been practised in their duties. Lectures have been held for Officers and NCO's and recces of vulnerable points carried out.

Practical tests have been held of alarm schemes.

(e) 330 Fd.

This Bn. has been training since 15 Jan 46 and is at present concluding its second period of advanced training. Particular care has been taken of:-

Moral instruction and lectures on military subjects.
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P.T. and Recreational Trng.
Theory and practice : weapons.
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Moral instruction and lectures on military subjects.
Drill,
P.T. and Recreational Trng,
Theory and practice : weapons,
Battle training.

(f) Specialist Trng and Courses.

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i) 51 Engr Bn have obtained excellent results in Bailey bridging and have recorded times well below those considered average for assembling.
Good results have also been obtained in laying mines, searching for mines, and explosives.

ii) Training in line and wireless communication has reached a reasonable standard of efficiency. Wireless operators, craftsmen and exchange operators have all been exercised in their duties.

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iii) Courses have been held for :

Armourer Mechanics.
Drivers and M/Cyclists.
Stretcher bearers.
These have obtained good results.

iv) The u/m courses are still in the process of being carried out:-

Wireless and Line operators.
Signal Instructors course.
Carrier drivers.
D.R.'s.

The students are progressing satisfactorily considering the fairly low standard of intelligence of the men.

(c) P.T. and Sports.

i) One route march per week has been carried out by coys. Whenever possible a different route has been allotted to each platoon.

ii) Basic training in ski-ing has been held for Alpini units. Courses were held in the TONALE pass, CORNIO and APRILA. In all, about 300 Alpini have been trained in the use of skis, 11 Arty Regt. trained about 180 men in ski-ing near the Cantoniera of FRESOLONA.

iii) Regimental contests in fencing have been held for Officers and NCO's and proved exceedingly popular.

iv) Football and basket-ball has been played on a big scale in nearly all the units. The Divisional football team has started an inter-Div. competition in which the teams of the Cremona, Friuli and Mantova are also taking part.

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(f) M.T. Training.

All units have held a drivers course and a carrier drivers course to provide spare drivers in view of the release of the older classes. Daily instruction also takes place in maintenance. There is however still a deficiency of suitable personnel.

(g) Specialist and NCO training.

NCO's courses are held in each Battalion which are also attended by personnel from the Regtl. support Coy. At the end of each course (which last 40 days) a board nominated by the Regtl HQ examines the candidates. Results have been satisfactory as regards theory, professional knowledge and powers of command.

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(j) Lectures - Morale - Care of men.

Lectures for Officers and NCO's on the British pamphlets "The Officer and Morale", " Comrades in Arms" and " The care of the soldier" have been held in all units.

(k) Tactical training : Officers and Senior NCO's.

Lectures and discussions have been held under Bn arrangements on the use and tactical employment of small units.
The damage which results from a badly prepared lesson, and the good results which are obtained when careful preparation of a lesson is made beforehand, has been impressed on all.

(l) Training in the co-operation between different arms is in the process of being carried out.

3 Inf Regt.

Guards and other duties have caused a certain amount of interference with the training of the Bns of 3 Inf Regt. Progress has however been made, but the all-important question of getting the C.A.R. ready has largely occupied the time of G staff, and it has been impossible to fit in visits to the Inf Regt during the month.

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Employed exclusively on duties in connection with Public Safety as in previous reports.

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Monthly refresher training courses continue at all Gruppo HQ- Senior Officers of CC RR are extremely interested in the proposed reopening of the training schools and look forward to the time when a standard curriculum can be adopted throughout the Force.

Intelligence.

(a) Ascertainable activities of ITALIANS vis a vis other countries (e.g.) YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, RUSSIA).

The " TITO " bogey is ever present in the minds of most Italians,

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(b) Frontier Activity.

N.I.L.

(c) Relations between tps and populace (special re to CC RP, other police, ex-partisans, peasants, town-dwellers.)

Very good on the whole.
The CC RP are held in high estem throughout the area, with the exception of the reactionary groups who base their exception purely on political grounds.

(d) Political current among tps.

General trend of thought : Right Wing.

(e) Subversive Elements.

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(a) The Public safety situation shows a little improvement on the previous month.
Throughout the whole of the area CC RP have been actively engaged in dealing with the crime situation and the percentage of arrests compares very favorably in regard to cases reported.

(b) The Admin. elections have taken place without any noteworthy incident. Troops have assisted the Police in the maintenance of law and order. The Milan elections are due to take place on April 7, and Terni/RO

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All tps will be confined to barracks during the day. Troops available in event of disturbance are as shown in my G/31/2 of 31 March 46.

(c) There was one incident recently at BRESCIA where tps were called in to quell a minor mutiny in the local prison. Weapons were resorted to but there were no casualties.

(d) Common crime has shown a slight decrease since the last report was submitted.

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(c) Togliatti addressed a very big meeting in the cathedral square on Sunday 31 March. One eyewitness states that it smacked very much of Fascist demonstrations, except for the red flag. The crowd were appreciative but rather slow in the uptake and frequently were late with their applause when the speaker paused for an ovation. Otherwise the thing went well, and although the traffic was held up for miles there were no incidents.

(g) Economics.

N.T.R.

(h) Other " I " Points.

There is a rumour current among the troops that the Friuli and Cremona Divs are shortly being moved to Venezia Giulia. It is not known where this originated, but it is thought that it may be a garbled version of the contemplated move of the Friuli to CREMONA area and the move of other tps towards Venezia Giulia to ease the acon problem.

Other G Points.

N.T.R.

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III. A.

Domestic — Deficiencies: in all ranks against WE.

BQMO - Ord Sjt held in lieu.
L cpl Clerk Ord.
L cpl Clerk RASC.
Cook ACC.
L cpl Dvr Mech.

Leave: detail of all ranks on leave and when due to return.
Detail of all ranks due for leave in the immediate future:-

Sjt - Clerk — 56 days UK Leave commencing 2 Apr.
Due to return approx 6 June 46.

ITALIAN. — Deficiencies. In total strength and in tradesmen and in specialists against WE. (This will be shown in general terms only, e.g. as a percentage).

Position as in previous report Serial 7.

DISCIPLINE. N.T.R.

LEAVE PROBLEMS N.T.R.

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MORALE — The release of the 1921 class has had a satisfactory effect on morale. Soldiers of the latter classes realise that now the '21 class have been released and the '24 class called up that there is a system in process and that their turn for release will come. But for this practical demonstration of a reasonable scheme of call up and release both the morale and discipline would have undoubtedly deteriorated to a new low.

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The centre itself is now a going concern and it is well patronised by the troops. A sample programme for a leave party is as follows:-

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Soldier's Welfare Centre

Via Benedetto Marcello, No. 7

Tel. 22460. MILAN

Programme for the period 21/31 March 46.

Thursday	21 March	0800hrs - Arrival & accomodation of guests 1000/1700 hrs- Baths for military guests. 1745 hrs - Cinema show, "Ore 9 lezione di Chimica" and short film "London 1942".
Friday	22 March	0900 hrs - Tour of Main Monuments in Milan 1400/1700 hrs - Walking out 1930 hrs - Show of propaganda films for Italian Air Force & Garrison troops, with commentary by Capt. Orbak"Lights over Germany" "Wings over France".
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Wednesday	27 March	1800 hrs - Courses of study 0800 hrs - Visit to Italian Wireless Factories 1400 hrs- Walking out
Thursday	28 March	1800 hrs - Courses of study 1000 hrs - Conversation by Capt.Sensi Cherubino "Democracy" 1730 hrs - Film"Tesoro dell'Isola" and short English film
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Remarks: Soldiers, of the local Garrison may also attend morning and afternoon shows and conferences.
In such cases the C.O.s of the Units or Establishments are asked to kindly make prior arrangements with the Welfare Centre HQ as to the number of Men, grouping, etc.
This HQ may at any time make changes in the above programme.

HQ Welfare Centre.

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DOMESTIC Tpt NTR

Accn NTR

IT & ITALIAN Tpt.

(a) Army less CC RR

MAF DP'RSC letter DPR/1/2 dated 18 Mar.

The tpt on loan by III Terr Comd. to DP and RSC is still in use by them and so far they state that they are not in a position to give an estimated date as to when they are likely to be returned. Vehs still with the DP and RSC are as follows:-

8 Lorries
1 MC
2 Cars WIAT 1100

(b) CC RR

N.T.R.

ETE PROBLEMS.

(i) Wksps Output 2nd Line Wksps LEGNANO Div figures covering REPAIRS completed during weeks ending 16 and 23 Mar 46:-

	16 Mar	23 Mar
"A" Vehs	-	1
"B" Vehs	57	36
MCs	8	5
Guns	1	-
SAs	31	17
Instruments & wrls	2	12
Miscellaneous	76	65

(ii) LOCAL CONTRACTS CME LEGNANO is visiting all civ firms mentioned in your ME/30 dated 19 Mar. He has also located a firm to manufacture head-lamp bulbs (Brit pattern). All Inf Divs have been infm in order that a contract may be drawn up to cover total quantity required.

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(iv) MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT (cont) - Output of this Dept has recently fallen. This is possibly due to the following reasons:-

(a) The Ch Maj PADDITT trusts nobody and as a result he has little or no faith in his Director of Ship Rep, Capt.GRASSI. This naturally has a retarding effect in many ways. It is considered that PADDITT is the "King-pin" and, although lacking a wide and clear sense of organisation, does carry out the duties in a reliable and satisfactory manner. When not? undoubtedly collapse, unless this ceases.

(b) When the output of this shop was at its best, the main outstanding resolution considered worthy of note was. At present they are understaffed and the Dockyard stores requires necessary are overcrowded trouble.

(c) Inadequate boarding arrangements, large numbers of men are employed moving machinery, etc., from ship to ship. electricians, blacksmiths, body builders. Shops have not been reshuffled. However this process is necessarily slow - due to the lack of Storemen. (f) Shops status must be in not allowed to carry out work in spite of the fact that it is over 100 men have to use. At least a further 10 men should be employed, in the absence of the majority of the parts are in dry dock therefore must be thoroughly cleaned and greased before they become serviceable.

(d) Approx. a dozen wchs are at present employed with the exception of upholstery and horrific lighters, all times NA in this Corr.Dept.

PAST PROBLEMS.

1. The supply of MT spares demanded by IMPHAL to date to 31 Dec 45 seems to have come to a halt. These are urgently required and it would assist greatly if all these demands were met.

Ref IMPHAL
S1 Rep
1(3)/S1Rep/10
to Ltr 28 Dec.
1945. 2.

The difficulty re Ord Supply outlined in Sec III is still under investigation, but, as pointed out, in the above quoted report somewhat hampered by the lack of an Ord Offr.

3. It is understood that thereby special oils such as M 60,0 70 Differ Oil and Hydo Fluid are to be made available as GIPs.
Further information this supply would be appreciated

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(b) Whereas output of this class was at its best, the [illegible] production consisted mainly of [illegible]. At present they are undercutting 2nd and 3rd Class. Stores requirements are [illegible].

(c) Quite soon bombing [illegible], large numbers of men are employed moving ammunition, etc., [illegible] men, electricians, blacksmiths, dry builders. Shops have all been evacuated. Turnover this year is necessarily slow - due to the lack of structure. Shops status shall be as yet allotted to us [illegible] but in spite of this [illegible] use. At least a further 10 men would immediately be absorbed as the majority of the posts are empty and therefore must be thoroughly checked and passed before they become serviceable.

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3. It is understood that heating appliances such as M 60.0 70 Burner Oil, and Brake Fluid are to be made available at Cliffe.
Further information about this supply would be appreciated because the need for these oils is becoming increasingly urgent.

Ref [illegible]
Bstrop
[illegible]/Bstrop/10
[illegible] 28 Dec.
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CLOTHING & EQPT.

(a) Army less CC RR. - Much of the material from which the clothing is made is of extremely poor quality with the result that the clothes wear out after very short time. The worst example are socks. Very often, after being worn two or three times they are completely U/S. It seems a false economy to waste time and money in producing finished articles from such poor material.

(b) CC RR - In view of the acute shortage of clothing material for the CC RR in this area, it is hoped that some of the stocks taken over at BOLZANO will be released to LOMBARDIA Region.
It would be appreciated if the War Ministry allocation of the material could be forwarded for info.

Ref your G/184 dated 26 March.

ARMS & AMN

(a) Army less CC RR

Ref Periodical Reports Serial 6 fn 7.

(i) The testing of the 10,000 auto carbines and 3,000 pistols is proceeding. To date the numbers are:-

7501 auto carbines
1600 pistols

Of the above the CC RR have been issued with

7000 auto carbines
1800 pistols

(ii) An increasing number of SA in LEGNANO Div are becoming unserviceable, due to a lack of spares. A complete report on the situation is being prepared showing numbers and weapons which are unserviceable.

(b) CC RR NTR.

CEM 1. LAVIES MT DEPOT: No further info has been forthcoming re the release of MT spares from this Depot to the Italian Army.

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2. RELEASE has been obtained of all items of Italian Mfg Origin at the following depots:-

Ref this HQ letter Q/37/11 dated 3 Apr 46.

Signals Depot VERONA
Engrs Stores Dump VERONA

ACCN The CHIARLE bks at LODI have now been vacated by Brit tps, and returned to the Italian Army. As time goes on an increasing number of bks at present in Allied use should be vacated and handed back to the ITI Army. This will do much to relieve the present rather gloomy accn picture.

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POL PROBLEMS. Issues of POL from CIP MILAN, have been extremely limited and in no way approach the allocation laid down for the Comd by SMRE. CIP state that they have not received the total amount of POL allocated to them by ROME and cannot give any reason for this state of affairs. It is because of this, they say, that they have been unable to satisfy mil requirements. Whether in fact, the mil are getting a' fair crack of the whip' regarding issues from CIP or whether civ concerns get priority, is a debatable point. CIP, of course, state that mil needs come first as far as they are concerned and that issues to civs were severely restricted during the month of March. Owing to this continual shortage during March, the reserves of POL, built up by both III Terr Comd and LEGNANO Div, have been almost exhausted and at the moment the position is considered acute.

This HQ signal SX/976 d/d 29 Mar refers.

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Supply arrangements are working satisfactorily and there is a little to report. It appears that at long last the Ministry of Food have allocated 760 tons of Cheese (formaggio grana 1945) which is to be obtained through the SEPRALS of MANTOVA, PARMA, MODENA, and REGGIO EMILIA and it is hoped that the cheese will be released without delay or trouble. Until now, cheese has been purchased locally on the open market, and it has been of a very poor quality, intensely disliked by the tps.
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Appendix " E " to 3 BLU Bi-monthly report No. 8.

C.A.R.

This report is sub-divided into the following paragraphs:

(a) General condition of the barracks of the C.A.R.
(b) Position regarding staff of C.A.R.
(c) Welfare at C.A.R.
(d) Reception and arrival of recruits.
(e) General feeling of recruits after reception at C.A.R.
(f) Progress of trg during reception period.
(g) Trg Stores.
(h) Miscellaneous points.

(a)

(1) MC CHESNEYS BKS. - CONG-.

Essential engineers works at this barracks was not completed by the allotted time, in as much that the additional latrines and ablution rooms which were put in hand for all barrack blocks were not completed, due to some misunderstanding between the contractors and the treasury. However, this work is again in progress and is expected to be finished shortly. No real hardship will be experienced by the recruits because this work is not completed, as existing latrines and ablution rooms are sufficient for a short period.

In general the barracks are now in good condition and much hard work has been done during the last month. The cookhouse, dining room and arrangements for distribution of food to recruits are first class. The proposed mess for the Senior NCO's is nearly completed and should be in use during the first week of the month.

(2) CAVALLI BKS - MASSOLA -.

This barracks, although in a very dilapidated and damaged state before repairs were commenced is now by far the better of the two barracks of the C.A.R. The lay-out of the barracks is excellent and the sleeping accomodation of the recruits is all that could be desired. All essential work was completed by the time the first recruits arrived, and work is now in progress on the proposed cinema and lecture and study rooms. The canteen and NCO's mess suffer from the lack of furniture. It is hoped that funds will be forthcoming and that the ship will not be spoilt for a haporth of tar.

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This HQ signal Ref. G/287 dated 22 March 46 to HQ MMLA refers. No reply received by the office to date.

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(II) Out of the instructors present at the C.A.R. one is reported to be an illiterate. How he managed to get here is beyond our conception, but he is reported to have been to CRSANO!!!
We are investigating this report and will write under separate cover.

(III) A detailed report on deficiencies of all staff for C.A.R.is attached to this appendix.

(c)

(I) Canteens have been opened at both barracks,and are contracted to a civilian firm for the present. It is hoped that sufficient funds will soon be available at the C.A.R.for the canteens to be organised by the C.A.R. thus allowing all profits to go to the C.A.R. instead of only a percentage as is the position at present.
Present prices are about 10% below market prices.

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(III) Plates and drinking mugs have been purchased from the Welfare Grant for each of the recruits.

(IV) Weekend leave for 30% of the recruits has been organised and by this it is hoped to avoid recruits taking leave as and when they want to, as it is thought that as large numbers of the recruits live near the C.A.R. there is a danger of recruits drifting away.

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(IV) Scabies seems to have been the main reason for a number of recruits accepted going straight to hospital instead of the C.A.R.

(e)

(I) The general feeling of the recruits after they have settled down at the C.A.R. is that they are more than satisfied with the treatment they are receiving.

(II) They say that the food is good and the prospects of short week end leave has raised their morale considerably.

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(f)

(I) During the reception period recruits have not been allowed to idle away their time doing nothing. Elementary instruction in barracks life, drill and hygiene has been given to those available. Work on the firing ranges has been continued by squads of recruits so that the ranges will be finished as soon as possible.

(g)

(I) All work in respect of trg stores was put in hand early in March, but to date have not arrived at the C.A.R.
The matter is not yet urgent but pressure by this HQ is now being brought to bear on Terr. HQ to expedite these stores.

(II) More trg charts are required but they are expected to arrive soon.

(h)

VISIT OF GENERAL CADDELL. 25 March 46.

(I) Visited both barracks of C...R. and stated that
(a) He was greatly impressed with the standard of recruits at C.A.R., but he was not so pleased with the standard of turnout of some of the Officers Instructors. This was probably due to the fact that all recruits were dressed in new uniforms and are generally of good physique as compared with the older uniforms and the very mixed physical standards of the Officers. Action has been taken by the C.A.R. Comd. to put this matter right as far as possible.

(b) He was very pleased with the general standard of the barracks as compared with others he had previously visited.

(c) He discussed the matter of short leave and gave his sanction to the proposal to send recruits on week end leave.

(i) CONCLUSIONS.

(I) That the primary task of getting recruits settled in the C.A.R. in a happy and contented frame of mind has been achieved.

(II) That, due to the shortage of instructors, trg will not start on the intended plane, but will be given by instructors to [illegible] far greater that they can really manage.

(III) That the standard of some of the instructors present at the C.A.R. leaves much to be desired.

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POSTSCRIPT.

Since the compilation of the foregoing report, visits have been made by G Staff to both O.C.R's on 1 Apr 46, the first day of training.

It is abundantly clear that the shortage of instructors, unless remedied quickly, will have a most adverse effect on the training, with the possible exception of drill periods. As things are at present, squads are anything from 30 - 40 strong.
Otherwise, the organisation was good. Instructors marched off their squads to various parade grounds and got down to the lesson without undue delay.
Breaks between periods were well arranged, but there was a tendency to curtail the break if the Commandant arrived in the offing. This matter was touched on and the importance of keeping to the programme pointed out.
Most of the recruits have trained before, either in the Republican army or under the Germans, and can be distinguished by the way they swing their arms.
Dinners were well cooked and obviously appreciated. An amazing number of Officers supervised the issue of the meal.
Weapons have arrived or are in the process of arriving, but there are no " slings rifle" up to the present.
To sum up, training has commenced according to plan, but is going to be seriously handicapped unless the balance of instructors arrive very soon.

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AUTHORISED WE.		OR & CIVILIANS Employed within WE.	R/S GP	OR held Surplus to WE	R/S GP
Clerks HQ RASC	1 Sjt	798365 Sjt BRAUD L.G.R., RA(Fd)	21(DR)	1E/14500015	C
	1 Cpl	S/14779173 Cpl. EVANS R.J.RASC	44 C	L Cpl GALEA P. RASC	42
	1 Pte	14061938 Pte.TUETER P.K.SURREYS	69 C		
SERVICES					
Clerks RASC	1 WO I	2620A1 Sjt.FELGATE L.W.RASC (Held in lieu)	37 C		
	1 L Cpl	LICATO Maria			
Clerks RASC	1 L Cpl	CONCETTI Bruno			
Clerks RAEC	1 L Cpl	GRECHERO Giovanna			
AEA STAFF					
Duty NCO	1 Sjt	7947335 Sjt PEMED J. RAC	31 C		
Ration NCO	1 L Cpl	6210480 L cpl NEAL G.E.GLOUCESTERS	45 C		
Dvr Mech	1 L Cpl				
Batman/Dvr	1 Pte	6857131 Rfn GARDNER E. KRRC	32 C		
ACC Cook	1 Pte	MONTANI Attilio			

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HQ 3 IBU ([illegible])

ES Employed within Ln.	A/S GP	OR held Surplus to WE	A/S GP	CIVILIANS HELD SURPLUS TO WE.	
RAUND L.G.P., RA(Fd) L. EVANS R.J.RASC TURNER F.E.SURREYS	21(DR) 44 C 60 C	ME/14500015 L Cpl GALEA P. RASC	42 C	LO VECCHIO Jolanda SAITA Enzio VERONESE Berta OTTOLINI Lina	Typist Clerk Laundry Clerk
STGATE L.W.RASC in lieu)	37 C				
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FIELD J. RAC pl MILL C.F.IGNENGTONS CARTER E. RASC ilio	31 C 45 C 32 C				

Date.....1.APRIL.1946.....

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

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SERIAL 7.

I. GENERAL

N.T.R.

II. G.

Organisation

(a) Domestic

N.T.R.

(b) ITALIAN

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Employment of bns

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i) Trg Bns

Staffs of C.R.'s have been engaged in rehearsals for the arrival of recruits.

ii) Other bns

No change from previous report.

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(b) CC RR

Training courses held up to date have given satisfactory results.
The course for M/C driving and maint was attended by a large number of CC RR.

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Intelligence.

(a) ..ascertainable activities of ITALIANS via & vis other countries (e.g.) YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, RUSSIA).

The Alto Adige tension between the two ethnical groups is growing worse and it is thought probable that incidents might occur.

Adherents are being sought amongst the non - Italian populace of the above region for its hand-over to Austria.

Representatives from North Tyrol and german IS's who are not controlled are actively backing that propaganda.

(from CC ER sources).

(b) Frontier Activity.

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(c) Relations between tps and populace(special re to CC ER, other police, ex-partisans, peasants, town-dwellers).

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The populace continue to show an increased trust in the CC RR, perhaps because they have heard of so many cases of dishonesty amongst the Agenti di P.S.

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(d) Political current among tps

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(e) Subversive elements.

N.T.R.

(f) Public Security

Public morale is fairly good. P.S. conditions on the whole are not worrying but they could grow worse following the dismissal of workers and employees by the local industries.

On 20 Feb. 46 CC RR of Milan found in the underground premises of the Central Rly Station 289 cases each containing 1600 rds cal 8 Mod 35, 62 muskets and 37 miscellaneous grenades.

Investigations are proceeding in order to find those who concealed the arms and ammn.

(from CC RR sources).

Applications have been received by 3 Terr HQ from the Prefects of Bergamo, Brescia and Cremona for troops to be drafted to their provinces as a safeguard against possible disturbances during the elections which take place there between 17-31 March. All such applications have been refused by Gen.M.P.M.S who has explained that it is not the policy of the War Ministry to scatter small detachments around the countryside. In the event of any emergency, units are sufficiently mobile and already suitably deployed to cope with the situation.

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It is however his intention to bring two Coys of the 2nd Bn 3 Inf Regt from PAVIA to MILAN in time for the elections to be held in the city on 7 April. This will be a temporary measure only.

Until the end of March, it is estimated that about 1000 men are earmarked for the preservation of public order if necessary.

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(g) Economics

The food situation is worrying. Although outwardly there appears to be plenty of food about, the middle classes are suffering on account of the high cost of living.

(h) Other "I" Points

The various political parties have carried on a lively propaganda for the elections.
Leftist parties are tending to increase the anti-clerical campaign.

(from Italian Military sources).

In the voting carried out in various communes, it seems that the Christian Democrats are leading, although the social-communist coalition is fairly strong.
Monarchist propaganda has recently increased and it is supported by some Liberal and Christian Democrat Organisations.

(from CC RR sources).

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III. A.

Domestic. Deficiencies: in all ranks against WE.

BCWO - Ord Sjt held in lieu.
L/ Cpl Clerk - Ord.
" " - REME.
" " - RASC.
Cook - ACC.
L/ Cpl Dvr.Mech.

Leave : detail of all ranks on leave and when due to return.
detail of all ranks due for leave in immediate future.

Sjt Clerk.:- 56 days leave i.e.RENLEAVE and SEWLEAVE concurrently.
Commencing sometime during last week in April.

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Misc Units	-	58 %
LEGNANO Div ; 67 Inf Regt	-	37 % +
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713 Adm Regt	-	20 %

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Pay Problems. Funds continue to arrive extremely late as reported in Periodical Reports Serials 5 and 6.

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IV. Q.

RAOC Problems.

1. It is felt that the Italian equivalent of the Ord service is not functioning really adequately. It is difficult to investigate this fully and offer advice as to ways and means to improve the situation without the assistance of an Ord Officer. Tech experience and knowledge is essential if the supplying of Ord stores is to be put on a sound footing. An example of this break down somewhere of the supply of material is the boot question. In your letter Q 165 dated 9 Mar 46 it is stated that 1500 pairs of boots have been supplied to 3 Terr Comd and that this allotment covers up all the demands submitted by 3 Terr Comd. This HQ on the other hand knows that MEDICINO Div alone requires somewhere in the region of 5500 pairs of boots. This matter is being fully investigated by this HQ, but the need of a technically qualified officer to do this is keenly felt.

2. Tyres. The War Ministry have stopped the purchase of tyres in the open market, as the firm PIRELLI have started to deliver tyres to the Army. The allocation to 3 Terr Comd, of tyres from this source, has so far been 16 tyres and tubes, which is of course a totally inadequate allotment, but it is assumed that this will improve as production gets under way.

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Refer Periodical Report Serial 6.

(a) Army loss CC R2
The testing of the 10,000 auto carbines and 3,000 pistols is proceeding, and now 6,501 auto carbines and 300 pistols have been tested. To date 4,074 of the auto carbines have been issued to the CC R2,

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C.M.L.

L.V.L.S MT Depot. The latest picture is as follows: -
The officer appointed by Ministry of War has rendered the following report.

(i) That 350 tons of spares have already been issued to ALFA and FIAT factories and that FIAT have a squad of men employed in the dump preparing and loading, furthermore, 4 - 5 vehicles daily are taking away MT stores for these firms.

(ii) The material is being sold at the ridiculous price of 50 lire per kilo.

(iii) This depot has been guarded by the Italian Army for some months, but have so far had nothing from it. It is felt that the only answer is for a British officer to visit the ARAR ROME offices, otherwise all the spares of any value will have soon gone to civilian firms.

At present ARAR ROME state that ARAR MILAN is dealing with the matter and ARAR MILAN state ROME is responsible, which has made the sorting out of this problem extremely difficult.

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What are War Hse doing about this?
RBC

Major DELANO of PIACENZA depot has gone to LIVERI. Report not yet available
RBC

POL Problems.

The difficulty experienced over the shortage of HD 30 oil has now vanished, as CCP MILAN now appears to have an adequate stock of this oil.

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Sup. Problems.

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POL Problems.

The difficulty experienced over the shortage of HD 30 oil has now vanished, as CCP MILAN now appears to have an adequate stock of this oil.

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Sup Problems.

The arrangements for the training of recruits on Specialist Supply matters appears to be well in hand. Technical courses will commence on the 1st May after the period of initial training at the CMRs has been completed.

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Sub Problems. (contd)

The Training Centre for recruits undergoing this specialist training will be located in the Main Equipment Store of 805 Transit Camp. The latter have received orders from 3 Terr. Comd. to evacuate this building as soon as possible. Maj SMYTHE-ROWE has been appointed as Officer i/c Training, and he is at present preparing a training programme. All administrative details are well underway. On examination of a draft training programme it appears that recruits will receive sufficient instruction, both practical and theoretical, to enable them to carry out their future duties satisfactorily.

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

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I.
GENERAL.

(a) Domestic. (BLU).

It is thought that a short survey of the release and replacement situation at this stage may enable replacements of Officers and ORs to be made before the situation becomes out of hand.

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		Pte.	1
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(b) ADM SGT.			1
(c) L/Cpl DVR MECH.			1
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HQ 2 DISTRICT are expected to close down within the next few months and every effort will be made by this HQ to survey any suitable surplus personnel, but in view of the above survey, it is requested that every effort be made to get the replacements for the above at the earliest possible opportunity.

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Organisation.

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(b) ITALIAN.

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Employment of Troops.

(a) Army less CC RR.

No change from preceding report.

(b) CC RR.

Solely on Police duty within 3 BLU area.
Police Patrols, Foot and Mounted.
Mobile Police and Mobile Bn (Armoured Cars).
Special Coy (Political offences and Counter Espionage).
Duty at Courts and Tribunals.

All CC RR in area have been recalled to duty from extraneous duties as imposed by various Allied Offices, except a small group (12) who are employed on police patrols with Military Police in MILAN Area. It is considered desirable by CC RR and Military Police to continue with this service and no objection is raised by this office to the arrangement.

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(ii) Other Trs.

Trg within LEGNANO Div and 3 Ind Inf Regt continues as reported in the last report. Individual trg is not yet completed and it is reported that some time will yet be necessary before the reinforcements to the units are up to the required standard. The GSO II visited the 68 Regt of LEGNANO and was satisfied with the trg being carried out and within the Bns of the Regt. Guard duties still limit the possibilities of higher trg with the Ind Regt and we are satisfied that all that is possible is being done.

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Training, (contd).

(B) CC RR.

It is not yet possible to commence the M/Cycle Course mentioned in my previous report, due to the non arrival of cycles from BOLOGNA. It is considered unwise to begin until all cycles are received, as they will be a very mixed selection of makes and types, but it is hoped that this matter will shortly be in hand.

Police duty courses continue to be held at all GRUPPI HQs.

Intelligence.

(a) Ascertainable activities of ITALIANS viz a viz other countries (e.g.) YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, RUSSIA).

NIL.

(b) Frontier Activity.

NIL.

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(d) Political current among troops.

It is becoming apparent that politics are finding hearing among the troops. This appears to be due to the extremist left wing elements who are trying to undermine the confidence of the soldiers in their immediate commanders. Mostly, it is the 1921 and 1922 classes who take notice of these accusations against the Ministry of War and their subordinates. This is due to the deferment in their release and of course aggravated by the shortages in pay and equipment, which are still existing.

Colonel DE RENZI, Comd 68 Inf Regt LEGNANO Div states that this state of affairs has only recently come to proportions of such magnitude, as to make things such that only the release of these disgruntled classes will rectify the situation.

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Intelligence. (Contd).

(e) Subversive Elements.

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(f) Public Security.

Situation remains good.

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(g) Economics.

NIL.

(h) Other "I" Points.

There is lively interest in connection with the discussions of the Council and with the results of the meeting held by "PARTITO d'AZIONE" - "PARTITO REPUBBLICANO" and "UOMO QUALUNQUE". The PSIUP meeting to be held in FLORENCE is eagerly awaited.

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III..A.

DOMESTIC. Deficiencies in all ranks against WE.

WOII	(RAOC Sjt posted in lieu but not yet arrived).	
L cpl	Clerk	RAOC
L cpl	Clerk	AEME
L cpl	Clerk	RASC
Pte	Clerk	RASC
Pte	Cook	ACC
L cpl	Dvr Mech	

Future trends.

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No dates as yet specified.

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(This will be shown in general terms only, e.g. as a percentage).

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2. Deficiencies at CARs

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War Ministry has been asked to make these up as soon as possible, and it is understood that the majority are en route.

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Leave Problems: The War Ministry have reduced the allocation of leave permits for Sardinians from 150 per month to 95. III Terr Comd asked that the allotment be 150 per month until Jun 46 in order that the leave rate should be roughly as for those coming from the main land. The reduction of 55 permits . . . will upset this and will undoubtedly cause discontent amongst those coming from SARDINIA.

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Pay Problems:. Apart from the general complaint re pay rates, the question of funds arriving late (reported in Serial 5) is again to the fore. The funds for Feb did not arrive until 23 Feb, instead of in the first few days of the month, and then only 1/3rd of the total amount was forthcoming.

Morale: It is considered that morale has improved somewhat due to the following factors:-

(i) The Governments' command to release the Class 21 men when the Class 24 men have been called up.

(ii) The winter having now more or less passed, thus reducing general discomfort which has in some cases been considerable, due to bad state of repairs of many of the barracks.

(iii) Improvement in feeding - due to increase in the Ration cash allowance.

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IV Q.

DOMESTIC - Tpt: NTR

Accn: NTR

ITALIAN - Tpt:

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This HQ letter Q/1.1/9 dated 2 Mar, refers.

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(b) CC RR

MILAN Mobile Bn are still awaiting the delivery of a small balance of their allotment of MCs from BOLOGNA. This matter is in hand and the final delivery will be effected shortly. Detailed report of the state of the CC RR tpt raised in Serial 5 is given under cover letter CC RR/3 BLM/7 dated 2 Mar.

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MEAF Problems:

1. CROSSHOPE OUTPUT: 2nd line where MEMPAES civ figures covering MEMPAES completed during weeks ending 9th and 16th Feb 46.

	9 Feb	16 Feb
"A" Vehs	1	4
"B" Vehs	55	58
LCVs	2	3
Guns	-	-
SPs	20	8
Instruments and vehs	-	-
Miscellaneous	44	149

2. SERVICE STATION PLAN (Italian) - It is understood that no answer has yet been received by Direz Riparaz ref their letter No 18 to Ministry of War requesting info of a lt vkspr det from III Reparto Riparaz, to cope with repairs of Italian vehs of Allied origin. This matter should not be regarded as urgent.

3. RECONDITIONING ENGINES ITALIAN ARMY.

MEAF 2 plat have been approached ref an inspection by Director of Repairs and Works Offrs of the Saronno Engines Repair Plant, which is the civ CMSA. However, they stated that it would be necessary to obtain authy from MAF CMC - Action taken. Col ZUCH, Directore Riparaz., visited the civ Director of this firm and discussed the possibility of reconditioning MERCURY and DODGE engines for the Italian Army. Two proposals were made:

(i) To set up a separate plant to overhaul engines for the Italian Army.
Disadvantages to this proposal are:
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(b) Layout of plant and purchase of machinery would undoubtedly be very expensive.

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Letter
MEAF Sitrep
MAF/sitrep/6
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RAF
Air staff
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ME/sitrep/6
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RCME
Q. check
RAC

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4. 380 UNIT MAINTENANCE DETACHMENT: This unit appears to have great difficulties in its dealings with either Terr Comd or Ministry of War. It is under direct Comd of the Ministry of War and, although att to Terr Comd is not recognized as an essential and very important unit. Refs is an example re POL:

Since the 15 Nov 45, before which this unit obtained POL from Brit sources, great difficulty has been experienced in obtaining petrol. The unit has operated entirely, and most unsatisfactorily, on a loan basis from the Terr Comd, in which it happens to be operating. In order to obtain a special allotment of POL, Maj MARINELLI CO, went to AMG and saw Col NORTH and Col ALGIE. He was promised a special allotment and Cent GHQ added an amount of about 5,000 litres of petrol on to the Terr Comd allocation for February, as the Inspectorate is operating from MILAN this month. The POL allotment for FEB has been received by this Comd, but does not include any for U.I. Contact with GHQ by phone and sig by this Off in an endeavour to obtain this POL has resulted in dismal failure.

Owing to lack of POL this Unit is almost entirely immobilized, except for small local inspections. To operate efficiently a quantity of 2,120 galls of petrol per month is required. This is based on the fact that U.I consist of 4 Secs of 2 vehs and 1 veh for the OC; and that the area to be covered includes all Italy and Sicily. Already it has been noticed by Terr Comds that the standard of maint is declining, solely because this Inspectorate has been unable to carry our regular inspections of Units. One Div has voluntarily given petrol to Maj MARINELLI out of their own allocation, to enable him to inspect their vehs. It is considered essential that this Unit, whose role is of such importance to the Italian Army, should be given preferential treatment and assurance of regular and adequate supply of POL. It would appear that the only satisfactory solution would be to allocate a quantity of coupons to the Unit, thus enabling them to draw at any CRP. This matter was taken up with S & T 5 REU, who stated above report to S & T HQ. It is thought that the Ministry of War should be made to realise the importance of a Unit Maintenance Inspectorate before the OC loses complete interest.

This HQ letter 9/36/2 dated 15 Feb ref.

H&M wrote to Terr Comd, stating they to take action to get adjustments on Unit allotments.

R&OC Problems.

1. MT SPARES. Inf Div demands for engine assemblies, indents prior to Dec 1945, are now being met and within the next few weeks EFFANO Inf Div will be in possession of approx 100/150 V/S engines. EFFANO CRP state that

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Hqtrs wrote to Terr Coad, telling them to base all their advice on the Unit's assessments & not on their own conclusions.

14.00 Problems.

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Returned Indents. All indents sent to the Ministry of War or BOLOGNA from LEGNANO Div, via Terr Coad, have now been returned. No apparent action has been taken to accord requirements of engines, tyres or replacement parts, as indents have been returned in accordance with Ministry Of War instructions (letter No. 29200/EM of 15 Dec 45). The technical Officers of LEGNANO Div are now in a position to say, and are saying, Divs, Terr Coad, Ministry of War, indents returned, and no action taken. We knew it would happen.

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RAOC Problems. (contd).

2. Ammn Examiner.

There is nobody competent in the Italian Army to examine British natures of ammn. Recently for example, [redacted] were concerned about the condition of their 25 Pdr Ammn and a request has had to be made to 2 Dist to loan an Ammn Examiner to check the ammn. Ammn examiners are now extremely difficult to get even from Brit Dvns and it is naturally going to become increasingly difficult.
It is suggested that at least 1 Ammn examiner be trained per Inf Div.

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The shortage of special oils, such as rifle oil, buffer oil and brake fluid is being felt by the Inf Divs. It is impossible to use other types of oils for the specific purposes for which these are required. At present there appears to be no arrangement for these oils to be provided through Italian channels.

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(b) CC RR.

Boots again are the chief cause of concern. The CC RR LO is endeavouring to discover if there are any further stocks of CC RR material in CEM dumps. Any stocks which come to light will be reported.

GHQ — we advised them of shortage of brake fluid. No action taken

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Boots again are the chief cause of concern. The CC RR LO is endeavouring to discover if there are any further stocks of CC RR material in CMI dumps. Any stocks which come to light will be reported.

Arms and Ammn.

(a) Army less CC RR.

This HQ letter Q/37/11 d/d 29 Nov 45 refers.

The 10,000 auto carbines and 3000 pistols released to the Italian Army from the Beretta Arms Factory are still being tested by the factory. To date, 5580 carbines and 200 pistols have been tested. The delay in testing is due to the shortage of ammn.

(b) CC RR.

NTR.

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C.E.M.

This HQ letter Q/37/13 d/d 4 Mar refers.

1. LAVIES MT Spare Depot, ARAR Offices MILAN have been contacted by this HQ, and the position re Lavies according to them is as follows :-
Their HQ in ROME state that no releases will be made from Lavies until a Commission has been formed representing AMAR and the War Ministry, whose job will be to allot the spares. This seems a fairly satisfactory solution, but in the meantime, it is known that some items have been released to FLETs and ALFA ROMEOs. It is also known that cases of spares are being broken open, the snag to this is that the cases only are marked with the Italian Military Stamp and therefore when the spares are knocked it is impossible to identify them.
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This HQ letter Q/37/17 dated 2 Mar refers.

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(i) Repairs to be done to the buildings occupied by the III Terr Comd Wksps. Work is supposed to have been going on on those buildings for the past five months, but relatively little progress has been made. The turn out of repaired vehs from the wksps, considering the present acute shortage of tpt, is important and the conditions under which the personnel have to work undoubtably effects this considerably. This has been raised with III Terr Comd who state that they will do all they can to increase the tempo of the work.

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(iii) Work on the DE CRISTOFORIS Bks. This on the whole is going well, and the bks will be ready for the intake. The bks are, however, not sufficiently large to take two complete Bns. It is therefore proposed that 2 Coys of one of the Bns be detached to ERESCIA. The DE CRISTOFORIS bks would be large enough to house 2 Bns if a small amount of constructional work were to be done to the lofts. This has been taken up with Terr Cond, who are looking into the possibility of doing this work. The Cond of the C&R is very keen that this should be done because from every standpoint it is more advantageous to have both Bns complete in the DE CRISTOFORIS bks.

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Sup Problems.(contd).

2. Cheese.

This HQ letter G/35/6 d/d 24 Feb 46 refers.

The Commissariato Interregionale dell 'Alimentazione have not yet given the names of the firms which are to supply the military with cheese. Continual procrastination by all responsible bodies both high and low has produced this state of affairs.
In the meantime it has been necessary to purchase cheese locally on the open market.

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HQ 3 BDE ("A" MESS)

AUTHORISED WE		OR & CIVILIANS employed within WE	A/S GP	OR Held Surplus to WE	A/S GP
Clerks GD RASC	1 Sjt 1 Cpl 1 Pte	798365 Sjt BRAND L.C.B., RA(Ed) 3/14779173 Cpl EVANS R.J. RASC CITOLINI Lina	21 DR 44 C	3R/14500615 L cpl GIBBS P. RASC	42
SERVICES					
Clerks RAOC	1 WO I 1 L cpl	1 Sjt RAOC Posted. Not yet joined. LIGABO Maria			
Clerks RASC	1 L cpl	SOCCHEA Bruno			
Clerks REME	1 L cpl	TRICERO Giovanna			
AH STAFF					
Duty PCO	1 Sjt	7947935 Sjt FIELD J. RAC	31 C		
Ration PCO	1 L cpl	6216480 L cpl NEAL G.E. RESERVES	45 C		
Dvr Mech	1 L cpl				
Batman/Dvr	1 Pte	6857131 Rfn GARNER E. RHC	32 C		
ACC Cook	1 Pte	MONTI Attilio			

Pachre...

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HQ 3 BDE ([illegible])

IVILIANS employed within ZE	A/S GP	CR Held Surplus to WS	A/S Gp	CIVILIANS LIKE SKILLS TO ZE
Sjt TRAPP L.C.B., RA(Fd) 9173 Cpl EVANS R.J. RASC II Iána	21 DR 44 C	ZE/14500015 L cpl [illegible] P. RASC	42 C	DA VECCHIO Italiana Typist ZAINA Ilario Clerk VECCHIO Berta Laundry
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IKA Bruno				
ERO Giovanna				
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131 Rfn GARNER L. RAOC II Attilio	32 C			

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HQ 5 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

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SERIAL 5.

GENERAL.

(a) Domestic (PLU).

NIL.

(b) ITALIAN.

NIL.

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Organisation.

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NIL.

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(a) ARTY less CC FR.

No change since last report.

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Training.

(a) Army less CC RR.

(i) Trg Ests.

Progress at both barracks of C.A.R. is satisfactory. Arrangements have been made with III Terr Comd to hold an initial full dress rehearsal for dealing with the arrival of the recruits in all phases, during the last week in Feb. This will take place at the DE CRISTOFORIS Barracks CO'O. A final rehearsal, to see that all points brought out at the initial rehearsal are rectified, will take place at CO'O on 9 Mar, and at the CTT.VIANI Bks MESOLA on 10 Mar 46.
A supply of trg charts for the C.A.R. have arrived and have been issued to the C.A.R.
The detailed trg syllabus has not yet arrived from the Ministry of War.

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OTHER FRONTS

(a) Army Gp CC RR

(ii) LIGURIAN INF DIV

As per previous report

(iii) 3 INF REGT

As per previous report

CC RR

As per previous report

INTELLIGENCE.

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ENEMY ACTIVITY.

AIR

RAIL TRAFFIC BETWEEN TPS AND POPULATION.

Good.

POLITICAL CURRENT - AMONG TPS.

NIL

SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS

No evidence of existence among tps.
On 12 Feb in a special broadcast of "FRONTE DELLA GIOVENTO" RADIO MILANO criticised the forthcoming call-up.

PUBLIC SECURITY

Nothing to add since last report

ECONOMICS.

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NIL

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OTHER 'G' POINTS

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Ref Appx 'A' (att Copy No 1 only)

The following incident which occurred at the barracks of the BERSAGLIERI "GORIO" Bn is recorded as it is felt that a certain amount of harm may have been done in view of the forthcoming call-up.
On the 14 Feb an offr of the above bn used a fire arm against a soldier who had refused to obey an order given to him. The offr was arrested and the GOC III Terr Comd addressed the Bn stating his deep regret at the incident. The soldier was taken to hosp and is now recovering from a wound in his abdomen. It is stated that the offr concerned in the shooting had recently come back from GERMANY and had already given signs of mental excitement.

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Gandy

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OTHER MATTERS - cont

On the morning of the 15 Feb the papers carried several different versions of the incident, and the Communist paper "L'UNITA" attacked the army in general for the incident, stating that a "tyrannical condition" existed in the Army. An official version of the incident was published in all local papers on the 16 Feb and the matter has since dropped from the papers completely.

III A.

Domestic. Deficiencies in all ranks against WE

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Morale.

Morale would be appreciatably improved if the 24 and 3272
classes were to be discharged. This point has been raised by almost all Italian Officers spoken to at levels from Coy Cmds upwards.
The following factor it is thought will cause dissatisfaction and will thus have a detrimental effect on the morale of tps. The preferential treatment which will be given to the recruits who are due to be called up shortly in the issue of entirely new clothing and equipment. This has been particularly raised by Inf Div Officers and was particularly stressed by General A. Scattini C.O.C. Friuli who recently called in at this Hq on a purely friendly visit.

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Other A Points.

Welfare.

There is a growing interest and realisation of the importance of welfare for the tps. The practical side is however considerably hampered chiefly due to the following factors:

I. Shortage of funds. 3 Territorial Command receive 300,000 Lire every 3 months. They state rather aptly that even with the maximum good will not much can be done with this allotment of cash bearing in mind the present value of the lire and the large number of needy cases.

II. Obtaining of adequate premises for canteens etc. All units are encouraged to and in most cases have opened unit canteens. The accomodation for these is however in many cases unsatisfactory because the tps are overcrowded due to the damaged state of the accomodation and in consequence only very limited space can be furnished for such things as canteens. This will improve in the course of time as buildings are repaired and all ex Italian army property is returned to the Army.

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It is estimated that approx 50 of the vehicles owned by the CC RR are inefficient largely due to the following factors:

1. Old age
2. Lack of essential spares.
3. Lack of tyres and tubes.

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(b) CC RR. (contd).

Accurate figures of the CC RR MT situation and requirements are being obtained.
Brit vehs particularly Armoured Cars on charge to the CC RR have frequently been repaired at Brit W/Shops. In cases where the vehs are BER these have been declared so and evacuated through Brit channels and thus altogether lost to the Italian Army.

BER Problems.

(1) Workshop Output.

2nd Line Workshop 12CRLMC Div figures covering BER.ERS completed during weeks ending 26 Jan and 2 Feb 46 :

	26 Jan.	2 Feb.
"A" Vehs	2	8
"B" Vehs	39	52
Motor Cycles	1	7
Guns	-	1
Small Arms	25	27
Instruments and Wireless	-	47
Miscellaneous	102	69

(2) Spares.

Release of 114 tyres and tubes for motor cycles has been authorised by 2 Dist. This should raise output of W/Cs to Eff Veh Pk for ultimate issue to either Army or CC RR.

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The spotlight is still on the boot situation which is far from satisfactory. The following figures may be of interest LEGHORN Inf Div since the 15 Nov 45 have received the following issues of boots :-

Brit Boots	600
Italian	200
Total	800

800 pairs of boots issued to cover wastage for 3 months. Normal wastage figure is approx 20% per month i.e. for 3 months require in region of 5000 pairs and have in consequence over past 3 months received less than one fifth of their requirements.

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(c) Grey loss CC RR. (contd).

The position is worsened by the non availibility of grindery. Unit boot repair shops are in most cases idle because they have no grindery. LEGMILO have asked Terr Cond, who have asked the War Ministry for authy to purchase grindery locally to which no answer has been received. An issue of grindery would alleviate even if only temporary the worsening of the boot situation.

(b) CC RR.

The CC RR also report shortage of boots. Exact figures of deficiencies have been asked for but has so far not been forthcoming.

CIP.

CC of 23 Recovery Commission has been in comn with ARAR MILAN who are making an inventory of the LAIVES Dump. However, it is in such a disorganised condition that the material is being inventoried by the ton. ARAR state that, unless the Italian Army can produce a written proof of ownership, the spares will not be issued. It was explained to CC 23 Rec Comn during the ENE 3 MLOs last visit to this dump it was noted that the spare parts were actually crated and marked with the Italian Army identification, and that he, or a rep, should go to LAIVES to check this information. It was also discovered during the conversation that the Ministry of War rep att to ARAR is a 2/Lt, whilst other members of the Commission are more senior Offrs.

POL Problems.

The usual delay in the receipt of POL by CIPs has caused the usual difficulties. CIP MILAN state that they never receive the full quota of POL allocated to them for civil and military use each month. They state, and this is confirmed by Terr Cond, that they give priority to the military consignment. This shortage at the beginning of every month causes considerable difficulty.

Supplies.

Considerable anxiety is felt by the Italian authorities here regarding the food position. Many complaints have been received from units in respect of the meat ration. Almost without exception M & V is issued as a meat ration

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The usual delay in the receipt of POL by CIPs has caused the usual difficulties. CIP MILAN state that they never receive the full quota of POL allocated to them for civil and military use each month. They state, and this is confirmed by Terr Comd, that they give priority to the military consignment. This shortage at the beginning of every month causes considerable difficulty.

Supplies.

Considerable anxiety is felt by the Italian authorities here regarding the food position. Many complaints have been received from units in respect of the meat ration. Almost without exception M & V is issued as a meat ration for 5 days of the week. As the meat content of this commodity is small, it means that troops are not getting their full quota of 3 ozs per day.

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At present no special ration scale exists for troops stationed in high altitudes. The result of this is that considerable hardship is suffered by men in this category, especially those of Alpine Regts and skiing troops. It is considered essential that some provision for units should be made for an increase scale in these circumstances.

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Supplies. (contd).

Many instances have occurred of units receiving their cigarette issue in extremely bad condition. This may be due to insufficient care being taken in transit, but certainly the present method of packing does not make the task of protection any easier.

Regarding the question of advisability of opening a food distribution depot at COMO and at BRESCIA for the trg depots ; it is thought that existing depots at MILAN and PIACENZA are quite adequate to cope with the situation. The creation of new depots would cause an unnecessary drain on trained personnel as well as duplicating much work, Without obtaining great efficiency or facilitating the distribution of food. It would be advisable to hold at the Training Depot BRESCIA 15 days ration in advance in order to anticipate any difficulties in transit of rations from PIACENZA, because sometimes the bridge over the PO causes a temporary holdup.

Med Problems.

There is a shortage of condems and the increase of VD in some units is put down to this shortage.

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

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SERIAL 4

I GENERAL

a) Domestic (BLU)

NTR

b) ITALIAN

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Organisation

a) Domestic

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b) ITALIAN

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2) On 29 Jan the III/111 Inf Regt "MANTOVA" started moving its stores and carriers by rail to LIGURIA. The whole bn should complete the move during the first week of Feb and will then cease to be att LEGNANO Inf Div.

3) 123 Coy "MEDICI" of IX Assault Bn LEGNANO Div moved from SARONNO to VIGEVANO on 25 Jan 45.

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1) LEGNANO Inf Div

The Div is supplying several guards on ammo dumps and stores. The remainder are on trg and at the disposal of 5 Terr Comd for internal security duties. The Div also provides frontier guards and is assisting in the war against smuggling.

2) 5 Inf Regt.

Approx 40% of the regt is employed on guard duties, some bns being more unfortunate than others in this respect, according to their loca. There is a considerable discrepancy between the bns of the regt in the matter of dress, turn-out and general standard of trg and morale, due to the fact that the Guard Bns from

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which the men were drawn were all differently employed and under varying Allied supervision. For example, the III Bn were originally part of the 210 Div under FIFTH Army, while the I Bn are largely composed of cavalrymen.

b) CC RR

Employed exclusively in this area on police duties, incl police patrols for prevention and detection of crime. Investigation of political offences, policing of Assize Courts and Tribunals. Mob Bn - control of demonstrations etc. By instruction from this office a complete report on org, strength and eqpt is being prepared at LEGIONE HQ CC RR and result of inspection will be submitted in due course.

Training

a) Army less CC RR.

i) Trg Estb

The instructors due to arrive from CES.NO have been nominated, and a proportion have arrived. In the lists received by Terr HQ there is an apparent lack of NCOs, but this matter will probably be rectified before the C.Es begin to function. A detailed trg syllabus has not yet been received from the War Ministry.

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a) Trg in internal security duties.
b) Recruits trg
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d) Specialist Trg
e) Trg to complete and perfect the tech and professional capabilities of the offrs and NCOs.

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2) a) Recruits Trg.

i) Disciplinary instruction, morale and various lessons,

ii) Firing trg has been carried out with the rifle, TMG, MTR, Gren, 2-in Mor, and PIAT,

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b) The undermentioned units have been unable to carry out firing trg for the following reasons :-

II/68 Inf Regt. Lack of ranges on account of the loan of the coys in flat open ground.

IX Assault Unit. Has only carried out two rifle firing exercises on account of lack of ranges suitable for fire with other arms and also on account of the transfers which have had to be effected (one coy from RHO area to MONZA and the bn from the BUSTO ARSIZIO - MONZA area to VIGEVANO). The physical ability and military deportment of the newly arrived recruits leaves much to be desired.

3) NCO Candidates.

The courses which have finished have given good results. The trg incls lessons in comd, theory and practice in pl weapons, battle and garrison duties, care of personnel, the welfare of the soldier, and various other instructions. In the courses still taking place, the students selected from the less promising and backward elements are showing willingness and interest.

4) Specialist Trg.

a) Inf.

i) Courses in wireless and telephone : 100 students attended.

ii) Instructors Signalling course: 200 students.

iii) Dvrs and carrier dvrs course: 200 ORs

iv) MG Course: 50 ORs

v) Tech MT Course: 50 ORs

vi) Pnrs Course: has been carried out in each bn of the Spec Inf Regt

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4) Specialist Trg.

a) Inf.

i) Courses in wireless and fullerphone : 180 students attended.

ii) Instructors Signalling course: 200 students.

iii) Dvrs and carrier dvrs course: 200 ORs

iv) MG Course: 50 ORs

v) Tech MT Course: 50 ORs

vi) Pnrs Course: has been carried out in each bn of the Spec Inf Regt under a [redacted] who has done the same course at a Brit School.

The above courses, some of which have been completed, and some of which are still going on, have generally given good results.

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b) Arty.

Courses have been limited to personnel who are already almost specialised, and to the very few recruits who show a reasonable chance of success.

i) Daily trg takes place in btys in specialist firing instruction.

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ii) Daily trg also takes place for telephone ops in each bty.

iii) Daily wireless trg takes place at Regt HQ for sec. clerks and in btys for trained personnel.

iv) Dvrs trg in each bty.

c) Engrs.

i) Courses on assault trg and bridging takes place in each Engr Coy and at the Fd Pk Coy.

ii) Sig courses are carried out in the Sig Coy and are limited to the following numbers :-

Wireless Ops	12
Read Ops	3
Electrician Mechs	3
Exchange Ops	3
Electricians for bty charging	2

iii) The reason for the limited numbers is on account of the lack of suitable recruits allotted to the Sig Coy: only a few have sufficient intelligence and aptitude to become signal specialists.

5. Trg of offrs and Senior NCOs

a) Offrs.

Principles of org
Scales and sup of ammn
Sigs
Stores and material
Trg instr in inf weapons
Indoor and outdoor exercises

b) Senior NCOs.

Principles of org
Theory and practice in pl weapons
Day and night patrols
Examination of the Sec [illegible]
Phone [illegible]

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Principles of org
Theory and practice in pl weapons
Day and night patrols
Examination of the Sec in various phases of action
Indoor and outdoor exercises.

Summary.

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Trg activity has been affected by the continual variation in the strength of units, particularly on account of demobilization of the older classes and the arrival of reinforcements in four

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different batches. The rftu who have arrived are generally very uneducated, and many of them are illiterate (i.e. in 66 Inf Regt there are 207). This has a particular reperussion on the arty and engr units, whose WE does not incl gen dutyman but only specialists. The situation of the 11 Arty Regt and the 51 Sigs Coy is particularly serious and can only be solved by the despatch of personnel of a quality capable of re-constituting the large body of specialists who today are almost completely lacking.

3 Inf Regt.

The I Bn (KILLAR) are badly situated as regards guard duties, and only one coy is available for individual trg. The facilities for indoor or wet weather trg are confined at the moment to a verandah or to the actual sleeping quarters. Owing to the recent falls of snow it is seldom possible to do anything in the nature of outdoor trg, though attempts have been made. The general standard of trg is low, although shooting is of a high standard and the turn out of guards and sentries good. The Bn Comd has applied for some anti weapons for instr purposes.

The II Bn (BYNG) is also largely employed on guard duties and little trg is possible. Owing to the flat nature of the country it has not been possible for the bn to carry out any firing practices as no ranges exist close enough to bns.

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Trg for all bns of the 3 Inf Regt is in accordance with the Terr HQ Directive att this Rppt at Appx "G". It is not known yet to what extent the Terr Comd ensures that their instructions are carried out, but the impression that I have gained is that once they have issued a Trg Directive they are confident that it will be carried out without supervision on their part. On the occasions when I or my G II visit units the natural inclination of the Unit Comds appears to be to parade the bn in review order with the band in attendance.

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This matter has been pointed out to Terr HQ and instructions are being given to bns not to deviate from the trg programme on the occasions of our visits. A new Inf General is being posted to Terr HQ by the War Ministry in the near future. His duty will be to supervise all trg in the Coad.

Regt Band.

The III Inf Regt has a good Regt Band which has only recently been formed. Its performance is well above average. It is now located at BRESCIA, but when further trained it will be att to each bn of the Regt in turn for a period.

b) CC RR

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Intelligence

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NIL.

b) Frontier Activity.

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b) GC RR

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There has been no incident of mil character. A few encounters have been reported between smugglers and the Swiss Federal Guards who have recently been reinforced by a few bns. The ITALIAN Finance Guards are intensifying their activity against contraband racketeers. Units of the LEGNANO Inf Div are also assisting.

c) Relations between tps and populace (special ref to GC RR, either police, ex-partisans, peasants, town dwellers).

Relations are generally good. In several of the smaller garrison towns, the arrival of Army units

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has been well received by the inhabitants. In BRESCIA, however, there have been one or two minor clashes between auxiliary police agents and soldiers of the 3 Inf Regt. None of the incidents however can be said to be serious.

CC RR

The CC RR in LODIGIANA have gained each month, since the liberation, more and more confidence of the general public. Generally speaking the population is satisfied that recovery in trade, commerce, and normal living is governed by the degree of public safety provided. The CC RR were frequently attacked by the political elements in the NORTH on account of their allegiance to the House of Savoy, but the absence of "police scandals" within their ranks, as opposed to the record of the Partisan elements admitted into the ranks of the Agenzia di PS have given the public good grounds to renew their trust in the Force. The CC RR elements posted to outlying Communes in this area are for the most party respected, and in the past month no untoward incidents (via attacks on personnel or like) have been reported to Card. These small stations are in fact the only element of public safety in the smaller communes and as such render good service to the populace.

d) Political current events tpe.

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The CC RR remain loyal to the State.

e) Subversive Elements.

No reports have been received regarding infiltration of subversive elements amongst the tpe.

f) Public Security.

As regards to the problem arising out of the Govt's decision to allow firms to dismiss employees (instead of keeping them on their pay-rolls where no work existed), the majority of the working classes have shown a disciplined bearing. This may be because up to date the numbers dismissed have been few. Thefts and robberies continue

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It is confidently expected that the winter months will pass without major incident. Existing ITALIAN Agencies consider that they can control any disorder which may occur. The distribution in Jan of certain foods (sugar etc) under auspices of UNRRA and the prospects of more to come has met with grateful approval by the populace who no doubt realise that there is not much sense in biting the hand that feeds them.

g) Economics.

The purchasing power of the soldier's pay is undoubtedly very small. Not only have prices soared but in a good many cases the shops cannot provide the type of goods which the soldier must buy out of his own pocket i.e. extra soap, brushes etc. When available, these are far beyond the soldier's means. Even in unit canteens, it is impossible to provide goods at a reasonable price. The same of course applies to foodstuffs. Formerly the majority of the soldiers used to augment the ration by spending money sent to them from their homes: nowadays these fortunate personnel are very few, and the remainder just go without any luxuries. In one Regt Canteen visited, a small cake cost 10 lire, and an "etto" of BOLOGNA sausage 42 lire.

h) Other "I" Points.

On instructions of the War Ministry, 3 Terr HQ have sent a notice to the local publishing agency "ORBIS" regarding the forthcoming call-up. To date, this has appeared in only two local newspapers viz. "IL MATTINO" (Independent, with Monarchist tendencies) and "L'OSSERVATORE" (Ind Catholic). None of the party newspapers have yet published the announcement.

Other G Points.

NIL

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III

Domestic. Deficiencies in all ranks against WE

BQMS (WO I)
L Cpl Clerk RASC
L Cpl Clerk RAOC
L Cpl Clerk REME
Cook ASC (Pte)

Leave. Detail of all ranks on leave and when due to return
Detail of all ranks due for leave in immediate future.

Pte Clerk RASC returns approx 15 Feb 46

CSM I } Due for End of War Leave.
Cpl Clerk RASC } No date as yet specified.

INTELL. Deficiencies. In total strength and in Tradesmen and in specialists against WE (this will be shown in general terms only e.g. as a percentage.)

Deficiencies in total strengths of units ineligible.
Deficiencies still exist in tradesmen and specialists, which is estimated by Terr Comd at 20%. This is considered by this HQ to be a considerable underestimate for the following reasons :-

i) 3 Reports Reparations - 99 out of 100 deficient.

ii) 3 Reports Transports - non-existent

iii) LEIBSTANDARTE Inf Div Wings - 60% deficient

This HQ estimates tradesman deficiencies, as far as wings specialists are concerned, in the region of 70%.

Discipline.

Nothing important to report. There has been a slight increase in AWOL and desertion, which is put down to the following factors :-

i) Delay in releasing Class 21
ii) Reduction in pay.

Leave Problems.

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Pay Problems.

The total inadequacy of pay for all ranks is raised by all Italian officers on every possible occasion. A general feeling of resentment is being engendered by pay not being raised to correspond with the present standard of living and with rises paid to civilians.

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Morale.

3 Terr Coy assess the morale of the tps themselves at 'not very high'. This it is considered is largely due to the following factors -

i) Delay in the release of Class 21.

ii) Pay situation.

iii) The worsening of the rations, due to the reduction in the monetary allotment for the purpose of purchasing extra rations.

The morale of the offrs and NCOs is higher than that of the soldier, but their morale is detrimentally affected by the above factors. The change over of personal clothing and eqpt between the Alpine Bns and the Guard Bns taking their place in LEGNANO Inf Div will, it is thought, have a slightly detrimental effect on the morale of both parties. It is rather demoralising to have to exchange one's trousers with a person whom one has probably never seen before. This, which is the system on which Legnano wish to effect the change-over, is being investigated by this HQ with a view to noting the morale effect. LEGNANO desire to do it this way in order to retain the khaki MD in the div and thus preserving as far as possible homogeneity of clothing within the div.

Other A Points.

Welfare.

An ITALIAN Mil Welfare Centre has recently been opened in MILAN, which is also destined to provide accn for approx 120 ORs on leave. Work on the sleeping accn is not yet complete, but should be shortly. On a recent visit to this Centre, everything was found to be well organised, except that there was no heating which made the place almost uninhabitable. Fuel for heating could not apparently be obtained through ITALIAN channels, and this HQ in consequence obtained 900 galls of DERV for this purpose from 2 District, who released it from CMH stocks. This should be adequate to keep the Centre heated during this month. The following amenities have been provided at the Centre.

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i) Reading and Writing Rooms
ii) Billiard Hall
iii) Cinema and Dance Hall
iv) Wet and Dry Canteens
v) Sundries Shop
vi) Barbers Shop
vii) Education Classroom (mainly for elementary try of illiterates).
viii) Padre's Room.

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IV

Domestic.

NIL

Tpt

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Accn

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ITALIAN

Tpt.

a) Army Issue CC ER

Most of the tpt burden for 3 Tank Coml is carried by 3 Tpt Coy. The burden is a heavy one and is made heavier for the following reasons :-

i) Tpt Coy not yet up to strength.

ii) Some vehs are still being used by Displaced Persons Sub Comm. (See this HQ Periodical Report Serial No 5).

The tpt position for ER/EM/PO Inf Div is as given in this HQ Periodical Report Serial 2.

b) CC ER

There has been considerable delay in the distribution of the 500 MCs released to the CC ER owing to the fact that 2 Dist and HQ A made separate arrangements for the collection and distribution of them. In order to adjust the matter to conform with the I&E distribution, as given in letter ST/1506 dated 27 Dec (Appx "A") it was necessary to trace the whereabouts of the MCs delivered under 2 Dist arrangements and issue instructions for redistribution. Further difficulty was experienced because in some cases the MCs drawn from Unit Vehs Pls did not conform by types with those given in the Appx to your letter.

This HQ letter Q/41/9 dated 9 Jan refers

This HQ letter Q/37/4 dated 24 Jan refers.

This HQ signal G 351 of 26 Jan refers

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Tpt.

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i) Tpt Coy not yet up to strength.

ii) Some vehs are still being used by Displaced Persons Sub Comn. (See this HQ Periodical Report Serial No 5).

This HQ letter Q/41/9 dated 9 Jan refers

The tpt position for LEGENO Int Div is as given in this HQ Periodical Report Serial 2.

b) 2x RR

There has been considerable delay in the distribution of the 300 MCs released to the CC RR owing to the fact that 2 Dist and HQALA made separate arrangements for the collection and distribution of them. In order to adjust the matter to conform with the 15 I. distribution, as given in letter SD/1306 dated 27 Dec (Appx 'A') it was necessary to trace the whereabouts of the MCs delivered under 2 Dist arrangements and issue instructions for redistribution. Further difficulty was experienced because in some cases the MCs drawn from Brit Veh Pks did not conform by types with those given in the Appx to your letter.

This HQ letter Q/37/4 dated 24 Jan refers.

This HQ signal G 251 of 26 Jan refers

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There are some shortages of Armd Cars in the Mob Sqns. The position at present being as follows.

MALAN Sqn		11
INDIA "		9
TURF "		8
GREEN "		10

The total deficiency of armd cars is therefore 10.

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RE B Problem.

Map Output.

This is as well as can be expected in view of general difficulties i.e. weather conditions, lack of power etc. 2nd Lin Thane TEHRAN Div figures covering MERLING output for week ending 12 and 19 Jan:-

	12 Jan	19 Jan
"A" Vehs	5	5
"B" Vehs	82	90
30s	7	3
Guns	-	2
Small Arms	11	24
Instruments and Wireless	7	-
Misc.	75	77

Personnel.

In view of the majority of MERLING RE B Incr being moved to PERSIA it is proposed that FRENCH RE B Incr (1-th 50 Mtf) be brought to MERLING to take over MERLING and this Terr Comd commitments, leaving 1-the POLISH RE B Incr, 4 BEU to cope with FERTILE.

Spares.

CRE and Comd CRP MERLING are extremely worried re lack of spares for Allied vehs. Arrangements have been made locally for purchase of various expendable items, such as paint, oxygen and acetylene, compressed air, timber etc. Please advise whether or not Inf Divs will continue to use Brit Indent Form MF 6994 when demanding spares from Terr Comds, as supplies are almost exhausted. It is thought that an IRAQI equivalent could be initiated.
It has been explained to MERLING that although indents now prepared on Terr Comd will not be met for considerable time, it is imperative that they are rendered as the particulars required, in order that the Terr Comd may forward them to the Ministry of War, in order that they may appreciate the urgency of the supply from POLONIA.

ADC (BRIT) War Ministry).

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ACTING
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Soc MERLING Sitrep
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dated 25 Jan 46.

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[illegible]	11	24
Small Arms	7	-
Instruments and Wireless	75	77
Misc.		

Demurrel.

In view of the majority of LEGHORN ITEMS Imer being moved to BOLOGNA it is proposed that PENDLE HOME Imer (1st 5th Mar) be brought to BOLOGNA to take over LEGHORN and this Terr Comd commitments, leaving 1 Pte BOLOGNE HOME Imer, 4 TEN to cope with PENDLE.

Agreed.

C&S and Comd GHQ LEGHORN are extremely worried re supply of oxygen for Allied vehs. Arrangements have been made locally for purchase of various consumable items, such as paint, oxygen and acetylene, compressed air, timber etc. Please state whether or not Inf Div will continue to use Unit Indent Forms AF G994 when demanding stores from Terr Comds, or supplies are almost exhausted. It is thought then an ITEMISED indent could be initiated.

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AMG (ENEMY War Ministry).

The Recovery Commission is now marking time, due to lack of fuel, brought about by what seems a deadlock caused by "baby pausing" on the part of the War Ministry itself. This Terr Comd has asked the Ministry of War for an allotment of fuel on 17 Jan, but were informed by return that reasons must be made for this Demand to this HQ, although our SF Rep states that it is entirely a SHAEF responsibility. SF Offr has however been in touch with SF M IA regarding this matter, but valuable time is being wasted whilst our Recovery

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See ENEMY Sitrep No 3 AG/Sitrep/3 dated 25 Jan 45.

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Co-ordination with the AEAF, which has no such obstruction, continuing to date: copy which would have been received for 711 use.
In accordance with the Ministry of War proposal [illegible] to 557 BOD, POMEC 78310 to result in the identification of spare parts.

RAOC Problem:

Staff.

As forecast in our previous report, this HQ is now entirely deficient of any OHD rep, Offr or St. OHD interests are being vetted by SC MMB. This is NOT considered satisfactory. Capt R. Donnachie, RAOC was posted to 2 District wef 3 Jan 46.

Policy.

Instances are occurring of 557 BOD returning indents in accordance with GHQ letter DOC/7279 of 2 Nov 45. Para 4(a) states that in no circumstances will any equip be issued after 14 Nov 45 without the authority of the Staff of this GHQ. It is known that this GHQ letter was superseded and that all indents up to 31 Dec 45 were to be satisfied. However, we are unable to quote the GHQ authority. May a copy please be forwarded to this HQ.

ACTION.

T in HQ letter O/41/13 dated 4 Feb refers

Supp

Apart from a small number of replacement of engines, very few MT or Guns have arrived since Nov 45, at the Inf Div. The situation is bad; much more serious than it would be appreciated. Contact should be made with ADME MIA for exact position regarding [illegible] Div tpt. There has been no advice that indents already submitted will be met in the near future.

Cooling.

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As forecast in our previous report, this HQ is now completely deficient of any OR3 rep, Offr or OR. OR3 interests are being vetted by SC RM D. This is NOT considered satisfactory. Capt H. Dolmachian, RAOC was posted to 2 District wef 3 Jan 46.

Policy.

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ACTION.

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Guns

Apart from a small number of replacement of engines, very few MT or Guns have arrived since Nov 45, at the Inf Div. The situation is bad: much more serious than it would be appreciated. Contact should be made with ADME AMIA for exact position regarding 1ST/2ANC Div tpt. There has been no advice that indents already submitted will be met in the near future.

Scaling.

The issue of 60 days maint MT spares to be issued to CMRE BOLOGNA is causing considerable comment by Inf Divs who consider it would be more efficient and save valuable time if CMPs and Wksps Stores Secs, which are binned and fully mobile, were despatched to 557 BOD and rescaled according to their respective div veh holdings. The advantages would be as follows :-

i) Saving of valuable time, as spare parts would not be first sent to BOLOGNA where an issuing Dep would have to be inaugurated with a minimum loss of approx 6 to 8 weeks

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On Blank at Kapler

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11) The spare parts would be handled from the beginning by offrs and men trained and conversant with the Brit system, and recognition of spare parts as used by Inf Divs.

General.

No 1 fr. ox enquiry has come to light re para (d) GENERAL of this HQ Periodical Report Serial 2.

Clothing and Eqpt.

a) Army less CC RR

The main difficulty in the supply of clothing appears to be the question of boots. The boots are apparently made from inferior material, and thus their life is pretty short. Practically all the units visited complain of poor quality and general shortage of boots i.e. when recently visited, I Bn of III Inf Regt were 200 pairs short.

b) CC RR

There has been a certain amount of confusion re the actual amount of cloth released for the CC RR for CETI by 2 District. The matter was made quite clear in this HQ letter Q/37/11 dated 30 Jan 46. The position now is that there is only a total of 40,000 yds of material available which was distributed by 2 District as follows:-

BOLOGNA	(for EMILIA)	10,000 yds
MILAN	(for LOMBARDY)	30,000 yds

The BOLOGNA allotment has been issued and 6000 odd yds to MILAN. Arrangements have now been made to collect the balance still due for MILAN.

Arms and Ammn

a) Army less CC RR

The question of the return of ITALIAN Arms and Ammn to the ITALIAN Army is still somewhat confused. 3 Terr Comd receive authority to issue ITALIAN SAA from the War Ministry. This is still a responsibility of 2 District as CETI and

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Arms and Ammn

a) Army less CC RR

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b) [illegible] RM

The CENTO. and PALUA. Dns of the Mob Dns have received no UEAL. men for their camo wire. Both Dns require 50,000 yds of this item

ACTION: This HQ letter Q/57/17 of 2 Feb refers

CMH.

CMH. ammo and eqpt of ITALIAN origin. Please see under heading "Ammo and Am. Army Items GO 187".

It would appear from GHQ letter AFHQ/5067E/9(GMH) dated 24 Jan 46 that MLOs cannot be considered as authority for demanding on Mint releases of CMH or receiving releases from Dirt of CMH. In other words all CMH matters now go through your HQ instead of this HQ dealing direct with District as in the past. It is suggested that as this is the centre of the CMH world and the ITALIAN Army is in urgent need of all material available, that a G Staff Offr be att this HQ from your HQ for a few weeks with powers to deal direct with District on all CMH matters. Material has a habit of disappearing rapidly from CMH Dumps, and it is felt that by implementing the above suggestion, much time would be saved and the ITALIAN Army would in consequence get much more material.

Lcon.

3 Terr Comd are endeavouring to carry out repairs on bks etc although this at present is considerably hampered by

i) Shortage of building material, and

ii) Unwillingness of contractors to take on the work due to the constantly fluctuating prices.

Expenditure on repairs up to 31 Jan 46 was 23 million lire. At present a further repair plan is in operation which will cost a further 13 million lire, and contracts are being worked out at the moment based on another 6 million lire expenditure. Several bks inhabited by ITALIAN units have been visited recently in 3 Terr Comd area. Some were in a satisfactory state of repair and had adequate

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Icon.

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i) Shortage of building material, and

ii) Unwillingness of contractors to take on the work due to the constantly fluctuating prices.

Expenditure on repairs up to 31 Jan 46 was 2½ million lire. At present a further repair plan is in operation which will cost a further 13 million lire, and contracts are being worked out at the moment based on another 5 million lire expenditure. Several bks inhabited by ITALIAN units have been visited recently in 3 Terr Coml area. Some were in a satisfactory state of repair and had adequate washing, cooking, and latrine facilities, whilst in others, particularly those which had suffered more extensive bomb damage, these particular facilities were grossly inadequate e.g. the Caserma MONTE BELLO has 7 latrines for 400 men. Cases such as these have been brought to the notice of Terr Coml who do take action, though somewhat slowly.

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POL Problems.

POL for the recovery organisation - please see under "ECOR Problems" (Last para).
SHAEF seem to be somewhat shifty about releasing extra POL for specific and important duties such as carried out by the Recovery Comn. In this particular case, Gen Gale was told by SHAEF that authority for such extra issues must come from the Min. This would appear directly contrary to present policy. Hy SHAEF to put right about this point.

Sup Problems.

The main difficulty lies in the question of the supply of cheese. Although the ITALIAN Govt have given order for the release of cheese to the ITALIAN Army, it appears that the various provincial and zonal bodies concerned with this commodity are unwilling to co-operate and adopt an apathetic attitude towards the orders they receive from the Co-ordinated Inter-Regional per D'Allontanione d'Italia. Owing to the limited supply of Allied flour a mixture of 50% Allied and 50% ITALIAN flour is at present being used. All other items of supply present no difficulty.

MED Problems.

MED problems still revolve around shortages of fuel for hospitals and medicines, particularly those not made in ITALY, such as PENICILLIN. It is thought that some kind of priority should be given to the provision of fuel for troops, particularly those situated in the NORTHERN Areas.

Mov Problems (NOT incl loans).

WTR.

This HQ letter G/35/6 dated 24 Jan refers.

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TRANSLATION.

APPENDIX "B".

3 TERRITORIAL COMMAND.
OPERATIONS AND TRAINING OFFICE.

Training Directive addressed to Dependent Units.

1. Individual and Barrack Square Training : Close Order.

This is to be completed, ensuring that the standard of all personnel in every unit is raised to the highest possible level. The men must acquire a sound knowledge of procedure and the weapons, material and means which they will have at their disposal.
At least 30 mins each day will be devoted to Platoon and Coy close-order drill as a collective exercise and school for discipline.

2. Firing Practice.

On the conclusion of Firing Training Practices, the classification practices will be carried out ; the men who have completed these will then go on to field firing exercises.
It will be borne in mind that firing practices are carried out in order to create marksmen capable of reducing accurate shooting at short distances against targets similar to those found on the field of battle. A uniform standard of marksmanship amongst the men as a whole should be aimed at ; it is impossible, however, to divide the men up into groups according to their capabilities and to make each group undergo the lessons considered most appropriate for the achievement of the desired standard. It is possible therefore that certain squads will repeat certain lessons which it is considered should be well learned more than once before going on to subsequent lessons. Section and Platoon battle practices will also be carried out in accordance with British Instructions contained in Small Arms Training Vol I, (Rifle Range War Practices) Chap. 10, pages 20, 21 and 22.
There will be no rigid plan for the carrying out of this training. Skill and aptitude varies so much between individual and individual that the careful selection of lessons and exercises will ensure a saving of time, better results, and economy of ammunition.

3. Internal Security Training.

This form of training is to continue in order to maintain units at the standard already reached. It is above all important that the action to be carried out in the event of public disturbances are thoroughly known by the troops. Any section in a platoon or two

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...Platoon and Company close order drill.

This is to be completed, ensuring that the standard of all personnel in every unit is raised to the highest possible level. The men must acquire a sound knowledge of procedure and the weapons, material and means which they will have at their disposal.
At least 30 mins each day will be devoted to Platoon and Coy close-order drill as a collective exercise and school for discipline.

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3. Internal Security Training.

This form of training is to continue in order to maintain units at the standard already reached. It is above all important that the action to be carried out in the event of public disturbances are thoroughly known by the troops. For any action to be effective it is essential that it is timely and decisive, and it is therefore necessary that all ranks, both officers and men, should know exactly what they have to do.
Certainty in action is derived not only from the knowledge of the specific duties to be carried out but also from the deep-rooted conviction of acting for the good of the people, that is to say, of the Nation. It is necessary, therefore, to base this training on a foundation of moral preparation.
When such a basis has been achieved, periodical tests will be held, in order that the soundness of all detailed plans designed to cope with public disturbances may be checked.
Exercises involving the movement of troops in MT (especially loading and off-loading of men) will be found particularly useful if included in the training.

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4. Physical Training.

Will be included with other training. Its object will be to keep all ranks, Officers included, at a high degree of physical fitness agility and strength.
This training will also include route marches under platoon and section arrangements organised by respective commanding officers, across country and with a given rendezvous.

5. Gun Training.

Driving, Maintenance of Vehicles, Movement discipline, light repairs, and measures to be taken during frosty weather must be the subject of continuous theoretical and practical training. There is no high enough standard to be attained in this subject, and we still have a lot to learn.

6. Specialist Training.

Specialists will complete and perfect their theoretical knowledge and practical skill. Particular attention will be paid to the raising of the technical and professional standard of NCOs.

7. Instruction in Regulations, Morale and Man-management.

Cadres will closely study the contents of the booklets which have been translated from the English, e.g. "Morale and the Officer", "Comrades in Arms", "Care of the Soldier".

8. Tactical Training of Officers and NCOs. (S/Sjts and above).

Since this training has not yet been carried out or has only just commenced, the instructions already issued to certain units in Circular letter No. 2675 are repeated :-

" The efficiency of commanders of whatever rank, in the tactical employment of units is to be raised to a high level and brought up to date in order to obtain better results during collective training. This will be done by means of both outdoor and indoor exercises, exercises on sand-tables and on paper, and by study and discussion of certain subjects in order to get all ranks trained to the method of producing a well-reasoned decision.
The need for organisation and its value in all aspects of modern warfare will constantly be impressed on all ranks. "

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8. Tactical Training of Officers and NCOs. (SJts and above).

Since this training has not yet been carried out or has only just commenced, the instructions already issued to certain units in Circular letter No. 2673 are repeated :-

" The efficiency of commanders of whatever rank, in the tactical employment of units is to be raised to a high level and brought up to date in order to obtain better results during collective training. This will be done by means of both outdoor and indoor exercises, exercises on sand-tables and on paper, and by study and discussion of certain subjects in order to get all ranks trained to the method of producing a well-reasoned decision.

The need for organisation and its value in all aspects of modern warfare will constantly be impressed on all ranks. "

Special attention will be given to the following subjects :-

Co-operation between Infantry and Artillery, including the tactical employment of a group of artillery.

" " Infantry and Tanks.

" " Air Force and Tanks.

" " Air Force and Infantry.

" " Air Force and Artillery.

Indication of Map References on Grid Maps (see Circular letter No. 2000 of 15 Aug 45).

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HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.

PERIODICAL REPORT - 15 Jan 46.

SERIAL 3.

SECRET

(3)

I. GENERAL.

NIR.

II. G.

ORGANISATION.

(a) Domestic.

Info has been received from 12 BLU that Lt MR TREVELYAN, The Rifle Brigade, att this BLU has been posted to CESANO. The necessity for having a Staff Capt/Camp Comd with an "A" Type BLU will be brought up at the forthcoming conference.

With the departure of BCWO and L Col CLERK on Release no Brit Army personnel remain in Ord Branch. Two civilian clerks have been employed for a short while and have a fair knowledge of office procedure.
Returns for the handover of stores and eqpt to the ITALIAN Army in respect of FRIULI Inf Div have been completed and passed to 2 District.

(b) Italian.

NIR.

Employment of Tps.

(a) Army less CC RR.

NIR.

(b) CC RR.

NIR.

Training.

(a) Army less CC RR.

(i) Trg Establishments.

The DE CRISTOFARIS Bks CCWO were taken

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[illegible] has been received from 12 BLU that Lt WR TREVELYAN, The Rifle Brigade, att this BLU has been posted to CMBANO. The necessity for having a Staff Capt/Camp Comd with an "A" Type BLU will be brought up at the forthcoming conference.

With the departure of SGWO and L Cpl CLERK on Release no Brit Army personnel remain in Ord Branch. Two civilian clerks have been employed for a short while and have a fair knowledge of office procedure.
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(b) Italian.

NTR.

Employment of Tps.

(a) Army less CC RR.

NTR.

(b) CC RR.

NTR.

Training.

(a) Army less CC RR.

(i) Trg Establishments.

The DE CRISTOFERIS Bks CCRO were taken over from Displaced Persons Sub Com on 15 Jan. With barely two months at our disposal before the recruits arrive, Territorial HQ are faced with a task of some magnitude. 3245

Fortunately the bks are in a good state of repair and there is comparatively little structural work to be done, apart from the cook-house which requires a great deal of attention. The stoves are an antiquated pattern and need reconstructing, and none of the original cooking pots remain. HQ have put in two more modern but smaller stoves and one oven.

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An enormous quantity of furniture is required for the whole bks but Territorial HQ seem optimistic about obtaining it in time.

Report att as requested. It has not been possible to compile a progress report for the OTTAVIANI Bks BRESCIA but this will follow.

(b) CC RR.

Short courses on MCs Trg and Maint will be organised under the ITALIAN WKI at No. 3 Repair Unit as soon as the 60 MCs allotted to the ITALIAN CC RR arrive.

Intelligence.

NIR.

Other G Points.

NIR.

III. A.

Domestic. Deficiencies : in all ranks against WE.

Officers - NIL.

CR - WO I - RQMO.
L Cpl Clerk CD RASC.
L Cpl Clerk (Ord).
Cook ACC (Pte).

Leave.

Officers - NIL.

CR - 1 Pte Clerk RASC
due to return 15 Feb approx.

Offrs and CRs due for leave - NIL.

ITALIAN.

NIR.

Other A Points.

NIR.

IV. Q.

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Intelligence.

NTR.

Other G Points.

NTR.

III. —.

Domestic. Deficiencies : in all ranks against WE.

Officers - NIL.

OR - WO I - BOWO.
L Cpl Clerk GD RASC.
L Cpl Clerk (Ord).
Cook ASC (Pte).

Leave.

Officers - NIL.

OR - 1 Pte Clerk RASC
due to return 15 Feb approx.

Offrs and ORs due for leave - NIL.

TRAINING.

NTR.

Other A Points.

NTR.

IV. Q.

Italian Transport.

Displaced Persons Sub Comm AC are still in possession of 19 vehs belonging to III Terr Cond. These are urgently required. My letter Q/41/9 of 9 Jan 46 refers.

ACTION.

Accn.

NTR.

REME Problems.

NTR.

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R.OC Problems.

All supplies to ITALIAN Army ceased on 31 Dec 45. LEGNANO Inf Div have been informed that all fururo demands placed since 14 Nov 45 are beginning to arrive and advices have been sent to LEGNANO of anticipated deliveries. These are being addressed to RH MONZA Stn where LEGNANO Inf Div have personnel to arrange for the conveyance of the stores to BERGAMO.

Scaling for 60 days maint for MT is being prepared by GHQ and when completed it is expected that the stores will be released to ITALIAN Army in bulk for distribution by the Ministry of War.

Approximately 150 engine assemblies have been notified as released to LEGNANO Div and this will do much to alleviate the tpt situation and releases are being made of tyres and tubes, advice being received of the despatch of approx 200 tyres and 50 tubes.
The situation generally for MT spares is bad. No spares have arrived and there has been no advice that they will arrive in the near future, although a considerable number of indents have been submitted to GHQ. It is anticipated however that stores will be issued shortly.

Records are being kept in Ord Office of all stores issued to LEGNANO Div since the changeover and, in this respect, Base Depots have been requested to submit priced copies of all vouchers. These have now begun to arrive.

Clothing and Equt.

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Arms and Amn.

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POL Problems.

NTR.

Sup Problems.

Coal Shortage - Hosps.

Formerly coal was drawn by Terr HQ from Ufficio Carbone in MILAN. Since the departure of AMG, however, demands have to be submitted to the War Ministry, with consequent delay. As the situation in the Mil Hosps is becoming acute it is requested that pressure be brought to bear on the War Ministry to hasten the allotment for 3 Terr HQ.

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Med Problems.

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Mov Problems. (NOT incl locns).

NIR.

Other Q Points.

NIR.

CNE.
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5 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

PERIODICAL REPORT - 1 JULY 46.

(BRITAIN)

1. GENERAL

A certain amount of depression has been experienced with regard to the actual usefulness of having a BLU with a Territorial Comd, particularly for the following reasons:-

i) The staff of the BLU is not adequate and can do little else than compete with all the routine work which finds its way in to the 'IN' baskets daily. This feeling has of course been enhanced by the present deficiencies in the Staff, but it is felt that even with a complete Staff little progress is likely to be made. There is also the constant fight being waged to maintain the very existance of the BLU, i.e. competing with the mass of documentation and returns which are called for these days, obtaining and keeping civilian staffs which have to be taken in to replace the ever increasing shortage of Brit Offrs. The practical outcome so far has been that very few of the duties of a BLU as laid down in your Directive No 2 have been implemented merely because of the physical impossibility of carrying them out. The BLU is looked upon by The Territorial Comd and Brit Pers as purely a liaison unit, i.e. as a HQ through which matters between Brit and ITALIAN must pass and to date this has been considerable and has taken, on an estimate, approx 80 of a BLUs working time. Being near 2 District this is increased by this BLU being used as an ITA Liaison Unit to 2 District. All this routine work can be completed, but only at the expense of sacrificing the main object of having a BLU with a Territorial Comd. In order to be able to operate adequately it is felt that there should be at least an addition of, on the Staff side, a G III and Staff Capt, and even with a Staff Capt there should be a Camp Comd (Lt). On the Services side there should also be 2 RMP Offrs, one holding the rank of MAJ, and 1 ORD Offr Capt. The impracticability of the suggestion is appreciated, but if the duties as outlined [illegible] the increases are essential.

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ii) The feeling that to date anyway, the task of making the ITALIAN Army an efficient machine has only been scratched at. The main objective in the back of the minds of most of the ITALIAN offrs seems to be to get back to the good old ITALIAN Army methods. This, for the welfare of the ITALIAN offr is probably a good thing, but judging purely from the long record of failures to the credit of that Army, it seems to be a pretty bad thing. The Inf Divs are a probable exception to this, due to the fact that they are probably the only ITALIAN Divs who have fought a

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winning action, very largely because of the constant prodding of the BLUs act. They therefore feel justifyably that there is a lot in what we say, and in the methods we adopted, and they are therefore keen not to step back into their old ways. This has been made very obvious by the entire lack of enthusiasm, in fact appalling pessimism shown when they left Brit Comd. Little more than scratching at the problem can be attempted unless there is a complete purge of all the old wood which has donned itself in glory and returned to take the reins. A purge is essential both in personnel and system both by their history have proved a failure, and to attempt now to make them even an administrative success is a hopeless dawn. If the ITALIAN Army is to return to its former glory, then it can quite well do it by itself, and the few Brit personnel destined to watch its progress could be well taken away, and saved from the invidious position of becoming merely observers of this depressing backward trend, which might well drive them to lunacy or suicide. This report may appear appallingly pessimistic, but it is the general feeling amongst the members present with the BLU who have had considerable experience in dealing with ITALIANS. Any more optimistic report would be a mis-representation of the actual position.

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Due to the shortage of Staff Officers over the past month, i.e. no GSO I and II, all the Staff work has fallen to the DAA and QMG, the result inevitably has been that some of the work has had to be neglected in order that the pile of routine work which continues to come in can be dealt with.

b) ITALIAN.

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roughly on Brit lines and to leave the other branches more or less as they always have been in the IEALLN Army. Inefficiency in the MT and eqpt sphere is blatently obvious because such items cannot be camouflaged, and results when Brit methods have been introduced show much more quickly than is possible in other spheres.

LEGNANO Inf Div are very worried about the implications of the Ministry of War Adm Instr No 1. Unfortunately, a complete copy of this has yet to be translated, and consequently this HQ is not fully informed as to all that it contains. LEGNANO however read into it that all the adm units formed on Brit lines, i.e. SS Coy, Ord Fd Pk, Wksps, D.DOS Dump, revert forthwith to the old IEALLN Army system of control and method of working. They are more or less resigned to this although they look upon it as a minor disaster. Their chief concern is that this is to be implemented forthwith and they state that they require at least two or three months to readjust their present Brit method of working. If this is in fact the case, the HQ deplores it, and considers that the War Ministry is committing a grave error by breaking up a system which has been built up in all its Inf Divs for the no more apparent reason that that again things revert to "proved" IEALLN methods.

ii) Employment of Tps.

a) Army less CC RR.

LEGNANO on 31 Dec 45 were relieved of all their Brit commitments and duly reverted to Comd III Territorial Comd at 2400 hrs night 31 Dec 45/1 Jan 46. A small number of LEGNANO tps are still guarding some odd dumps and deps which have been returned III Territorial Comd at their request. LEGNANO are to be relieved of these duties as soon as possible.

I Bn of the 3 Guard Regt is doing guard duties whilst the other two are undergoing trg.

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i) Trg Establishments.

NOT yet functioning (see question see para 4(vii)).

ii) Other tps.

LEGNANO are carrying out individual trg in accordance with line laid down by ex 52 BLU.

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The Guard Regt has 2 bns on trg and as far as possible are trying to follow a preliminary 4 months programme which is roughly as below. They have also been ordered to im lement special courses for offrs and NCO instructors.

First Month

Close orders for Squad and Pl
Individual arms
Preliminary of discipline and bkm life
Hygiene
Main mil crimes
PT

Second Month

Close orders for coy
Range
Automatic weapons (Auto Rifle, LMG etc)
Discipline - Mks, Garrison, ROs etc)
Mil Crimes
Hygiene
Field PT

Third Month

Close order for coy and bn
Individual bayonet trg
Range - LMG
Arms trg
Discipline - Mks Garrison, ROs etc.
Hygiene
Fd PT and Sports
Courses for WOs and NCOs

Fourth Month

Close orders for bn and coy
Squard and pl bayonet drill
Range - Unit arms
ROs
Courses - WOs and NCOs
Fd PT and Sports

b) CO HR.

Time is allotted for individual and professional trg. Professional trg

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Range
Automatic weapons (Auto Rifle, LMG etc)
Discipline - Mks, Garrison, ROs etc)
Mil Crimes
Hygiene
Field FT

Third Month

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Range - LMG
Arms trg
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Fourth Month

Close orders for bn and coy
Squard and pl bayonet drill
Range - Unit arms
ROs
Courses - WOs and NCOs
Fd FT and Sports

b) CC MR.

Time is allotted for individual and professional trg. Professional trg apparently being trg in normal police duties as opposed to mil trg. Each out station sends in one of its members at a time for a monthly "smartening up" course.

The Mob Bn undergoing unit trg. Individual trg in driving and maint is also in hand.

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iv) INTELLIGENCE

a) Aboriginable activities of ITALIANS vis a vis other countries

NTR

b) Frontier Activity

NTR

c) Relations between tps and populace

From all reports the general relationship between tps and populace appears to be good and there have been no serious incidents

d) Political current among tps

There is no apparent political activity on the part of the tps

e) Subversive Elements

The Communists have half-heartedly attempted on odd occasions to spread propaganda amongst tps but this seems to have been ignored and the attempts have died a natural death.
A certain amount of hard feeling is caused amongst the tps by hostile and misleading articles which appear in the extremist press against the Army.

f) Public Security

No real concern is shown with regard to public security although it is felt that the real testing time will come with the elections. Public security is likely to deteriorate if the present bad economic state of affairs worsen.

g) Economics.

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III. "A".

Domestic.

i) Deficiencies in all ranks against WE.

GSO II - Major CRD, RECCE Corps posted on authority of GHQ CMF signal C48355 dated 19 Dec. NOT yet arrived and no notification of ETA.

Sjt Clerk	(x)	due for release with Aco/Service Gp 25.
Sjt Adm	(y)	
BOWO	(z)	
L Cpl CRD Clerk		
L Cpl Dvr Mech	(y)	

NOTE: (x) Has volunteered to defer until 14 Feb 46, and OZE have been requested to authorise this. Cpl Clerk to be promoted - OZE authority received.

(y) Replacements have been obtained from 2 LONSDALE and BORDER HORSE. OZE have authorised posting.

(z) CRD MELA state that they are taking up the question of replacement with GHQ. CRD 2 District state that no possibility of replacement through them.

ii) Leave.

GSO I on LLAP - due to return 12 Jan approx

Cpl Clerk on LLAP - due to return 30 Jan approx
Pte Clerk due for LLAP - departing 10 Jan approx.

TEALIN.

i) Deficiencies of personnel.

Total strength deficiencies are not serious. LEGALNO being the worst case, i.e. approx 10% short

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LOWLAN.

i) Deficiencies of personnel.

Total strength deficiencies are not serious. LOWLAN being the worst case i.e. approx 10% short.

Tradesmen and specialist deficiencies are serious throughout and are approx in the region of 70%.

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ii) Discipline.

Nil.

iii) Leave problems.

The only problem in this sphere which has come to the notice of the HQ is the question of passes for personnel eligible to proceed EAST of the MORGAN Line. This of course also applies to personnel due for discharge who live in that zone. Applications for passes for such personnel go

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through this HQ to 13 CORPS, but under this arrangement there is a considerable time lag.

iv) Pay problems.

No problem can arise whilst pay remains at its present ridiculous level. To expect a soldier to remain reasonably honest on something little over 1000 lire per month is quite fantastic with the lire at its present value, it would be unreasonable to ask the Archangel Gabriel to stick to high principles in MILAN with such a lordly sum in his pocket. The question of poor pay also concerned the CO RR considerably. It affects morale considerably and also means that they do not get the type of persons in the CO RR which they would like. No self-respecting person is going to live on such a mere pittance voluntarily.

v) Morale.

On the whole, morale is good, but could not be called high. The question of pay (see III(iv) above) is a strong contributing factor to this as also are the other shortages in general, clothing and equipment. The economic situation for both the offrs and soldier is absolutely inadequate, and whilst this state of affairs exist, morale can never be high.

vi) Traffic Accidents.

Traffic Accident Forms (AF A3676) and statements are still rendered by Inf Divs through ELOs to Claims and Hirings. Claims and Hirings still appear to want these but it involves a considerable amount of work on the part of this HQ which it is thought may well be unnecessary. The work is increased by the ITALIAN habit of going to far frequent accidents and not apparently being able to render the reports either quickly or completely. It would relieve this HQ considerably if the question of accident claims and compensation could be definitely laid down as an ITALIAN responsibility.

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IV. "Q"

Domestic.

i) Tpt. NIR

ii) Accn Adequate

ITALIAN.

i) Tpt less CC RR.

a) LEGNANO Inf Div are is possession of some captured enemy vehs which they wish to take on strength to be held against deficiency on WE. In the past, retention certificates have been made out and forwarded to District for approval and countersignature. It is assumed that this system should now cease and that such vehs should be registered at the EVP and then taken on strength by the div. Nothing so far seems to have been done to re-register Inf Div vehs and it will cause unnecessary complication if some are taken on as ITALIAN vehs whilst the remainder retain Brit WD numbers etc. LEGNANO have requested that an issue of 8 WILLYS be made to 68 Spec Inf Regt. At present they hold 7 of these vehs and they consider that 15 are in fact necessary. They have been informed that such an issue is unlikely but they requested that the matter be taken up with higher authority.
LEGNANO are deficient of the following vehs against WE.

Staff Cars - 38	Carriers - 66
15-cwt Trucks - 28	MCs - 95
3-ton Lorries - 10	

The tpt for ITALIAN units excl the inf divs is generally inadequate.

b) CC RR

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repair and maint of the MCs. The only wksps at present being in possession of Brit spares being Inf Div ones who are fully committed on their own vehs.
It is assumed that arrangements are being made for the maint and repair of these vehs, also for a scaling of spare parts.
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d) REME Problems.

For detailed REME situation see REME Sitrep dated 29 Dec. The main problems incurred are :-

a) Personnel.

Re comparatively highly paid civilians working alongside inadequately paid soldiers. Should wksps train specialists from soldiers available?

b) Re-allocation of Trg Increments (Brit).

In accordance with GHQ letter 1036/A-1(Ser 3940) dated 14 Dec (NOT to MMLA), the Trg Incr att 50 BLU for FRIULI has been redesignated Trg Incr att 3 BLU from which it would appear that this Incr should now be with this HQ and NOT with FRIULI. The Trg Incr could be used very effectively by this HQ whilst it is felt that they can now teach FRIULI Wksps very little.

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It is assumed that arrangements are being made for the maint and repair of these vehs, also for a scaling of spare parts. The CC RR, although they appreciate the gift of 500 MCs consider that it would have been more useful for a percentage of this number to have been light load carriers i.e. jeeps or 15-cwts. MCs are very useful for patrol duties but their chief concern is the present immobility of their Force, and MCs do not help much in this respect. Their tpt situation generally is pretty acute and a high percentage of their vehs are off the road because of old age. This matter has been taken up by the CC RR with the UNF Security Offr LOMBARDI Region.

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c) The bridge at FLORENZA has been out now for some time and this has delayed both recovery and the handing in of officient vehs to the EVP.

d) Loan for CARS at BOLOGNA.

It is understood that a decision re this is now awaited from GHQ.

e) To date the Director of Repairs III Territorial Comd has taken no interest in the vehs or eqpt in the possession of the Inf Div and has received no instruction to do so by War Ministry. He has however agreed that they may continue to be run on Brit lines as per their arg.

iii) RACC Problems.

a) Staff.

Staff problems have become acute, all mil personnel CRs are in release Gp 25 due to leave in Jan.

CO is posted to 2 District wef 3 Jan 46. This has caused a "flap" amongst the Ord Staff as there is still TRIESTE work to complete i.e. translating and typing five copies of all stores held by the different units of TRIESTE. The other back work of Census returns, Scalings, returns, handover certificates and lists of controlled stores has been completed.

b) LEGNANO Div.

The MILAN Dep att III Territorial Comd has been visited by CO and a separate report rendered. It still appears that no provision action has been taken by Ministry of War to supply stores to this Dep to meet requirements of LEGNANO Div in Vote 7 and 8.

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c) To date the Director of Repairs III Territorial Comd has taken no interest in the vehs or eqpt in the possession of the Inf Div and has received no instruction to do so by War Ministry. He has however agreed that they may continue to be run on Brit lines as per their arg.

iii) R.OC Problems.

a) Staff.

Staff problems have become acute, all mil personnel CRs are in release Gp 25 due to leave in Jan.

OC is posted to 2 District wef 3 Jan 46. This has caused a "flap" amongst the Ord Staff as there is still FRIULI work to complete i.e. translating and typing five copies of all stores held by the different units of FRIULI. The other back work of Census returns, Sealings, returns, handover certificates and lists of controlled stores has been completed.

b) LEGNANO Div.

The MILAN Dep att III Territorial Comd has been visited by OC and a separate report rendered. It still appears that no provision action has been taken by Ministry of War to supply stores to this Dep to meet requirements of LEGNANO Div in Vote 7 and 8.

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Approx requirements of stores for 1 month has been forwarded to Officio Commiss, but as yet no action appears to have been forthcoming.

LEGN.NO have had to clothe and equip 5000 new recruits and are in need of Battle Dress, boots, and socks. A release of some IT.LIN clothing has been given from the BHLN Dep but the General Officer Commanding LEGN.NO is 'up in arms' against having his div clothed in various styles. It should be laid down that one div only is completely clothed and equipped in IT.LIN uniform and the balance of ENGLISH equt handed over to enable other divs to maintain the present Brit uniformity. Vote 7 and 8 problems will become acute in the near future as LEGN.NO Ord Dump is sadly lacking in stores. LEGN.NO requirements to date are 3500 complete sets of clothing to winter scale.

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C.3. (Bicycle spares and complete pedal cycles)
G Metals, Bolts, Ironmongery
F. Tools
M. Oils, paints; particularly MT paint.

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Large demands from FRIULI and LEGNANO have had to be put aside pending a ruling on this matter which has been presented to MAIL.
Owing to the tremendous task of compiling lists to complete the handover of FRIULI to ITALIAN adm, it has been impossible to deal with any Ord problems outside of FRIULI and LEGNANO. These are, and will be many and varied, and need constant liaison with the III Territorial Comd. FRIULI for example seem completely marooned from Ord help and it would appear that IV Territorial Comd are not of much help to date. One week was spent at FRIULI HQ mostly in order to obtain lists of stores held and to prepare required Census Forms.

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Pistols	25	2-in Mor	45
TMCs	300	3-in Mor	4
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b) CC RR

The CC RR appear to be considerably short of many items of clothing i.e. below find list of requirements for the MIL.N Region only -

Greatcoats	2,000
Caps, black	5,200
Blouses	5,200
Trousers	5,200
Boots	5,200
Shirts cotton	10,400
W/Shirts wool	10,000
Drawers cotton	10,400
Socks cotton	10,400
Handkerchiefs	15,600
Towels	10,400
Bell Bands	5,200
Gloves, wool	5,200
Shirts wool	10,400
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Leggings	5,200
Ties,	5,200

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b) The CIP are not stocked with certain oils required for use on Brit vehs e.g. Hypoid 90. Stocks of such oils should be made available.

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ix) Sup Problems.

Difficulty is being experienced by Territorial Cmd in collecting local resources items from civilian farms, 200 quintals are still outstanding from the Dec release. The difficulty is that the firms can get better prices from civilian purchasers as the IT..LN Army always pays the lowest current market price. Apart from this, supply arrangements seem to be working moderately satisfactorily.

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The biggest and most urgent problem is the question of coal for heating of the Mil Hosp. 1200 quintals has been authorised per month from Dec - Mar incl. This was very late arriving for Dec and the matter was taken up with AC. There is a general complaint about shortages of drugs, medicines etc.

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This matter was raised by this HQ some time ago but nothing so far appears to have been forthcoming.

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SERIAL No 1 - 3 BLU.

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18 Dec 45

HQ VENEZIA

1. GENERAL

This BLU has now been functioning with III Territorial Comd since 23 Nov 45, but although a considerable period of time has elapsed, not much progress has been made in any sphere. Naturally enough it takes time before sufficient knowledge is obtained of the functioning of a HQ the size of a Territorial Comd, with all its adjacent units, before a BLU is in a position to offer advise, but at the same time, the Territorial Comd has lost no time in obtaining the maximum amount of help from the BLU. Progress has been considerably hampered for the following reasons.

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The net result of the BLU's position is that it has been physically impossible to get around and see what is, and what is not working, as all the time has been taken up with dealing with correspondence, and answering queries raised by all and sundry. 323

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2. OPERATIONAL

LEGNANO are being relieved by 59 Area as rapidly as possible of all Brit Commitments, and it is intended that reliefs should be complete by 31 Dec. III Territorial Comd have taken over some guard commitments on places which are ex ITALIAN Army Deps, or on dumps which contain only ITALIAN Army material, and in which Brit fmns have no further interest except in ensuring where there are munitions that they are adequately guarded.

3. TRAINING

The chief item at present as far as trg is concerned is the preparations being made for the opening of the TTC. Progress on this is considerably hampered because of the accn problem. The latest position is as given in this HQ letter QG/36/1 dated 14 Dec. LEGNANO are doing a certain amount of trg, but this is restricted due to their present operational commitments.

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This, it is admitted, is more an impression which has been gained, rather than a statement of fact, but none the less, the morale effect of the cut in pay and the ration allowance is bad, and hardly a state of affairs which the ITALIAN Army can afford at this early stage of their rebirth.

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