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June - July 1945

HEADQUARTERS
FIFTH ARMY
G-2 SECTION
TRANSLATION DEPARTMENT
No. 1803
26 June 1945

Translation of attached document follows:

ROYAL ARMY PIACENZA ARSENAL
Piacenza, 16 June 1945
Technical Office

File: 784 # 8/2

SUBJECT: Rooms for the storage of materiel

TO : HEADQUARTERS 215th SUB. AREA
Attn of: HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
HEADQUARTERS 135TH Mech Bqpt Co R.E.
HEADQUARTERS 675TH GROUP
HEADQUARTERS 741st GROUP
PIACENZA
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According to what has been stated by the interested party, and according to what I have been able to verify myself, the zones and buildings ~~mentioned by the interested party~~ of the Italian Royal Army New Projectile factory (formerly Pertite), supervised by this Arsenal on behalf of the Italian Military Administration, which are occupied by units of this Headquarters, are shown schematically on the attached planimetric sketch.

In order to be able to furnish the War Ministry with precise information, we would like this Headquarters to confirm that the area and buildings occupied by your troops are actually those shown on the sketch.

There is still some materiel and machinery in the area and rooms occupied by your troops, which belongs to the Italian Military Administration. This materiel and machinery must be

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There is still some materiel and machinery in the area and rooms occupied by your troops, which belongs to the Italian Military Administration. This materiel and machinery must be gathered and listed and should be removed and transferred to proper shelters at the earliest possible.

This arsenal has already contacted the various occupying units for this purpose; a preliminary agreement with regards to the manner in which men and means of transportation should be brought to the place, has already been reached.

In order to avoid any useless and unauthorized removal of equipment, this arsenal would like to get in touch with this Headquarters in order to reach the necessary agreements; this pertains to the storing of the equipment which is located both in the occupied and unoccupied areas. The equipment is being retrieved from the ruins and is being repaired and listed.

This arsenal has at the present time only very limited means of transportation for the quick removal of the above-mentioned materiel from the New Projectile Factory. It would therefore be very kind of this Headquarters to make dispositions, if possible, so that the various units will lend us some of their trucks in order to accelerate the transfer.

Thanking you, we wait for your answer.

The overlay for the 675th Group has already been forwarded in another letter.

5230 THE DIRECTOR
(Lt. Col. V. Farinelli)

Please transmit your correspondence in duplicate, since we need it for our files.

MAPS FILMED ON
35MM ROLL

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ARMY ARSENAL - PIACENZA

New Projectile Factory
General Layout
Scale 1:1000

No.	Description
1	Building for quarters
2	Building for offices
3	Decorative fountain
4	Monument to S. Barbara
5	Bicycle shed
6	Doorkeeper's lodgings
7	Stores
8	Lodgings
9	Stable
10	Stable stores
11	Stores
12	Lodgings
13	Garage
14	Heating plant with Cornovaglia boilers (former L.C.P.)
15	Stores
16	"
17	Subsidiary equipment
18	Water tank
19	"
20	"
21	Well and pump room
22	Water tank
23	Water tank
24	Water basin
25	Central power station
26	Power-producing group (former LCP)
27	Dressing room (male)
28	" (female)
29	Mess hall (male)

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 16 "
 17 Subsidiary equipment
 18 Water tank
 19 "
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 22 Water tank
 23 Water tank
 24 Water basin
 25 Central power station
 26 Power-producing group (former LCP)
 27 Dressing room (male)
 28 "
 29 Mess hall (male)
 30 "
 31 Kitchen and services for workers
 32 Tool repair and fin production
 33 Production of small and medium caliber projectiles
 34 Zinc-plating and packing
 35 Production of penetrating projectiles
 36 Stores for finished products
 37 Central power station
 38 Pumps and compressors
 39 Workshop for heat treatment
 40 Oxygen and acetylene distribution station
 41 Air ~~read~~ shelter #1
 42 " " #2

Ammunition technicians Company

43 Technical school
 44 Company canteen
 45 NCO kitchen and mess
 46 Company quarters
 47 Headquarters offices
 48 Various rooms for maintenance works
 49 New quarters
 50 " and Company Headquarters
 51 Swimming pool
 52 Washrooms
 53 Guardhouse for exterior sentries

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A Plants of the former LCP, partly destroyed
 B Embankments of the former LCP
 C Materiel dumps

Green shaded area: Zone occupied by the 135th Mech. Sqpt Coy, R.E.
 Red shaded area: Zone occupied by the 675th Group
 Yellow " " : Zone occupied by the 741st Group
 Blue " " : Building located in the occupied zone and at
 the disposal of the arsenal.

Outer brick wall

Outer iron fence

Inside brick and iron fence ~~xxx~~

Technical school:	Area: 27,200 sq m	(Buildings: 6,390 sq m
		(Open terrain: 20,810 sq m
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SUBJECT : Request for derecognition - Lancia Ardea

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
2/5/8
31 October 1945.

TO : Ministry of War

Ref: Terr. HQ. Rome letter 13066/R.195 dated 2 October 1945.

1. Subject vehicle was scrapped by AC. since it became beyond economical repair.
2. Any claim, the owner would like to make, may be made to Ispettorato Generale della Motorizzazioni Civile.

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

2. Any claim, the other would
General della Motorizzazione Civile .

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Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

JL/ra

5331

Subject: Request for Vehicles

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

(H.M.I.A.)

R O N R

9/5/5

October 1945.

TO : Ministry of War

Ref: your 42001/ DWR dated 16 October 1945.

1. In view of the fact that both the Aragona and the Toronto Camp will only operate until such time as there are no Italian Military personnel to be repatriated, and as the Administrative Transport Coy will shortly be made up to strength in vehicles, and in certain cases their 88/10 increased it is felt that the best solution is to detach the required vehicles from the Bantles and Earl Administrative Transport Coy and attach them for the required period to Aragona and Toronto Camps.

2. It is requested the necessary instructions be issued.

RAC

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(H.M.I.A.)

Copy to:

2. It is requested the necessary instructions be issued.

Rac

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(R.M.I.A.)

Copy to:

I.M.O.B.
R.E.I.A. 1A, - Harles
R.M.I.A. 1D, C/o 2, Area
B. & T.

JH/m

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FROM : Military Territorial HQ - Rome

Ref: 13066/R.195

TO : M.M.I.A.

Date 2 Oct 1945

SUBJECT : Request for the de-requisitioning of Lancia Ardea car
Registration No. CH 3872 Chassis No. 250-4751 Engine No. 5132

Signora Aida Ginevra COLAROSI, resident at No. 1 Viale Umberto, Sulmona, has sent to the H.Q., Military District of Sulmona a request, forwarded for necessary action to this office, attempting to obtain the derequisitioning of the car in subject.

The said car was requisitioned by the British Col. BEARD of the Allied Provincial H.Q. of Aquila, on the 18 Sep 1944.

Signora Colarossi states that:

a) through the advice of the said H.Q., in June of this year, she sent similar requests to the following offices at Rome, without anything resulting:

1) - U.S. Claims;

2) - Claims & Hirings.

b) she has informed the said offices that she forwarded the said request to the Ministry of War, through the above mentioned H.Q. Military District of Sulmona.

After having considered the claim submitted by Sra Colarossi, and with the aim of meeting her request, we beg you kindly to inform us whether the unit which has the vehicle on charge could restore it to her without prejudice to the service.

In the case of an affirmative answer, we beg you in addition to kindly inform us where the vehicle could be withdrawn by its owner.

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The Colonel, Directing,
sgt D. Tebia

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Information
to MMIA "Q" Branch.
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SIGNAL MESSAGE

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FROM MEMIA

TO MEMIA LO HQ ITALY

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MAJOR ALBY AND FIELD LIAISON PARTY 670 HQ MILAN 18 OCT (.)

ARRANGE CONTACT ON ARRIVAL AND PROVIDE HQ TRANSPORT TO

PROCEED BACK IMMEDIATELY (.) TRANSPORT WILL BE RETURNED

WITHOUT DELAY

FORWARDED

AUTHENTICATED

5226

from: M of W
to: MMIA

Translation

ref. 420004/RPGR

16 October 1943

Subject: Request for vehicles

The billeting Centres of Afragola (Naples) and Taranto (who have already been working to give accommodation to Cooperator PWs), require urgently the vehicles as laid down in W/E to ensure the normal functioning of the Centres in view of the future arrival of PWs.

Therefore we beg MMIA to authorise SMRE to ~~xxxx~~ ^{allot} the following vehicles:

- 2 cars
- 2 light trucks
- 4 heavy trucks
- 2 motorbicycles

for each of a/m billeting Centres.

Capt. Lamb MMIA has been approached on this matter by Maj. Hamilton - Italian PW Division Civil Affairs Section.

Col. Anfoso

5327

*ST Affirmed.
If not on Outbat
include in revised Tpr WE
of Bari & Naples
When can we be made?*

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*RRP
22 Oct.*

WAR : Request for Jeeps

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

M.M.I.A.

40 M E

Q/5/8

15 October 1945

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MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref: your 21041 / IM dated 29 September 1945.
015490

1. No Jeeps are available to the Italian Army.
2. Should provision be made for the sale of surplus Allied vehicles to the Italian Government, and should these include Jeeps, it is suggested you arrange for their purchase from the Italian Government.

[Signature]

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
M.M.I.A.

2. to the Italian Government, and should these include Jeeps, it is suggested you arrange for their purchase from the Italian Government.

JCB

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.O.
M.M.I.A.

5326

Copy to:

S. & T.

II/ra

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SUBJECT: Issues of CM Vehicles to Ufficio Requisitioni - Genova

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

(R.M.I.A.)

R O M A

✓ 5/8

15 October 1945

TO : H.Q. 2 District

Ref: your letter 2365 A. G (302) dated 22 Sept: 1945, addressed to 44 Claims & hirings.

1. War Ministry have been instructed to issue to the Ufficio Requisitioni Genio Militare - Genova, two Italian Army vehicles to replace the two CM vehicles now in their possession.
2. The two CM vehicle can now be withdrawn.

J. O. V.

Major General

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.

R.M.I.A.

1. The Ministry have been instructed to issue to the Ufficio Requi-
sizioni Centro Militare - Orgia, two Italian Army vehicles to replace the
two USR vehicles now in their possession.

2. The two USR vehicle can now be withdrawn.

J. C. M.

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.S.
M.H.I.A.

Copy to:

1. Claims & hirings (your CH/43/11/44 of 7 Oct. 1944.)

S. & T.

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JL/ra.

Translation.

From:- M. of W.

To:- MMIA.

Ref:- 37003/Dr.

Date:- 13th. October 45

Subject:- Vehicles for Artillery Installations and Directorates.

The Artillery Establishments and Directorates under the command of this Ministry, have been ^{among other things} entrusted with duties which, at the present moment, are of far greater importance than those carried out normally. These duties are directly connected with the national economy and public security. In fact, each Artillery Establishment or Directorate is now called upon to give its own contribution for the recovery of large quantities of raw material, machinery, equipment which were moved away by the Nazi-Fascists and abandoned, in most cases, in uncovered places where it is subject to easy deterioration or theft by third parties. The damage entailed is not only looked upon as affecting directly and immediately the Military Administration but also considered, from a general point of view, as property of the State which goes astray.

Moreover, several Artillery establishments and all the Directorates cooperate in clearing vast areas of land in such a way as to render it suitable for agriculture and avoid continuous danger to persons and things. The importance of this other duty is also evident.

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For the carrying out of both services, continuous movement of personnel and material become necessary. Consequently, vehicles are required and, owing to the nature of these services, it is necessary that these vehicles be allotted to units so that these units can use them with certainty and readiness whenever it is required to do so.

Up to the present, Artillery Establishments and Directorates which had no vehicles assigned to them, have carried out with difficulty the duties entrusted to them. The requests for transport forwarded by them from time to time for each service, have not been approved in most cases. At times, these units were compelled to hire civilian transport, bearing the very expensive cost.

In view of putting an end to such state of affairs, this Ministry proposes and requests that, at least two vehicles be assigned to each Artillery Establishment and Directorate as

R.T.O.

part of their equipment. The total number of vehicles would be about 40 to 50 which, in addition of rendering more speedy, in this difficult moment, the work of the Establishments under our command, by permitting the recovery and the reorganization of large quantities of material belonging to the state and the clearing of vast areas of land which are not cultivated at present, would render to the state a service of great economical and social importance.

Fabre.

Iacini.

Rac 19/10

SUBJECT: Italian Air Force Vehicles

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.

(M.M.I.A.)

ROME

9/5/8

13 October 1945

TO : Ministry of War

Ref. the attached letter and List 6/4050/SERV. dated 14 May 1945.

1. Vehicles in the attached lists will be returned to the Italian Air

Force.

2. Advise when this transfer has been completed.

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

1. Vehicles in the attached lists will be returned to the Italian Air Force.
2. Advise when this transfer has been completed.

JCB

Major General
 Earl Porcos Sub Commission A.C.
 (H.M.I.A.)

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Copy to:

Air Porcos Sub Commission (your AFHQ/576/M of 8th Sept. 45 refers.)

Q-102

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Subject:- Water Truck for C.R.I. - Cagliari.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. P. I. A.)
9/5/8
12 October, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

Reference your 21633 dated 4 October 1945.

1. Our views on the subject, have already been given in our 9/5/8 dated 11 October, 1945.
2. The allocation of vehicles is now carried out by you, and if you consider necessary that Cagliari C.R.I. should have a water truck, this H.Q. has no objection.

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

Copy to:-

S.P.

SI/pen

5322

Subject:- Water trucks for Province of Pesano.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. E. I. A.) HQS.
2/5/5
11 October, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

Reference your 21415 /DE dated 3 October, 1945.

1. The matter is entirely for your decision.
2. It is pointed out, however, that if the Italian Army releases Italian Army vehicles to civilian authorities, no replacements for such vehicles will be forthcoming from the Allies.

R. H.
Major General,
M. E. I. A.

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Copy:-

S.T.

JH/pen

5321

TRANSMISSION.

From: Subaltina Railway Firm.

To: M.M.I.A.

Ref: 142b.

Date: 6/10/45.

Subject: Request for the assignment of a chassis of a two-wheeled trailer.

At Borgiano di Spolatto (Capra Reccia), where the Germans whilst withdrawing blew up a lorry loaded with explosive and other material, there ~~are~~^{is} still/certain amount of scrap which has not yet been removed.

Amongst this scrap there is a chassis of a two-wheeled trailer (without wheels) which appears to be in a pretty good state.

The request is put forward to you so that said chassis is weighing approximately 100 kgs., be assigned to Spolletto Norcia Railway which intends to transform it into a small trailer for carrying baggage, to be drawn by trains.

Basler.

Carter/Ferre

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TRANSLATION

From: M.O.I.A.
To: M.M.I.A.

Ref: 158
Date: 4/10/45

Subject: water Truck for Cagliari D.H.L.

- 1)- The High Commissioner for Sardinia, has pointed out to this Ministry, the necessity of having a water truck assigned to the Italian Red cross XIV Mobilisation Centre -Cagliari-, in order to make up for the deficiency of water supplied through the product of Tonaris Hospital.-
- 2)- This Ministry realizes the danger which threatens the functioning of the Hospital, due to lack of water supplies, and therefore approves said assignment.
- 3)- We would be grateful to know the opinion of M.M.I.A. in the subject.
- 4)- Herewith attached the request for:-

R. CHERA. Col.

(226) Gen. Proc. 23.-

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5319

TRANSLATION

From: Military Territorial HQ - Rome

To: MMIA

Ref: 13066/R.195

Dtd: 2 Oct 45

Subject: Request for the de-requisitioning of Lancia Ardea car
Registration No. CH 3872 Chassis No:250-4751 Engine No: 5132.

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The said car was requisitioned by the British Col. BEARD of the Allied Provincial H.Q. of Aquila, on the 18 Sep 1944.

Signora Coliarossi states that:

a) through the advice of the said H.Q., in June of this year, she sent similar requests to the following offices at Rome, without anything resulting:

1) = U.S. Claims;

2) = Claims & Hirings.

b) she has informed the said offices that she forwarded the said request to the Ministry of War, through the above-mentioned H.Q. Military District of Sulmona.

After having reviewed the ~~request~~ ~~request~~ claimed

SIGNORA CALAROSSA STATED THAT

a) through the advice of the said H.Q., in June of this year, she sent similar requests to the following offices at Rome, without anything resulting:

- 1) = U.S. Claims;
- 2) = Claims & Hirings.

b) she has informed the said offices that she forwarded the said request to the Ministry of War, through the above-mentioned H.Q. Military District of Sumona.

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After having ~~xxixxxxx~~ considered the ~~necessity~~ claimed by Sga Calarossi, and with the aim of meeting her request, we beg ~~xxxx~~ you kindly to inform us whether the unit which has the vehicle ⁵³¹³ on charge could restore ~~it to service~~ without prejudice to the service.

See 173 in addition as well

In the case of an affirmative answer, we beg you, ~~as well~~ to kindly inform us where the vehicle could be withdrawn by its owner.

The Colonel, Directing,
sgd D. Tebia.

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Subject: Request - Ufficio Requisitioni

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

R O M E

9/5/8

8 October 1945

TO : 41 Claims Mining

Ref. your CH 41/4/44 of 24 Sept. 1945.

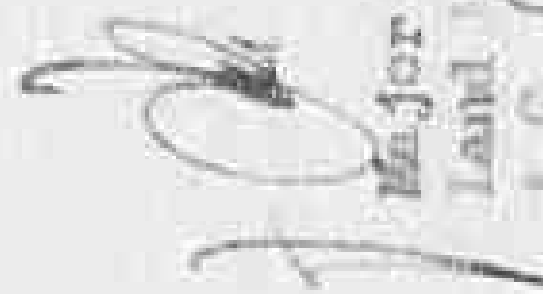
1. Most Italian Army vehicles now being received by ZVF's are in poor conditions, owing to lack of spare parts etc.
2. Specific vehicles are not allotted to specific units, and it is therefore up to the units concerned to choose, when authorized, the best vehicles available at the time in the ZVF.
3. It is regretted that, owing to scarcity of good and efficient vehicles and to the urgent requirements of such vehicles by the majority of Italian Army units, no special allocation of efficient vehicles can be made to any one unit. Furthermore, captured enemy vehicles can not be issued, as the Italian Army does not hold any.

Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

1. Most Italian Army vehicles now being received by GVP's are in poor conditions, owing to lack of spare parts etc.

2. Sacrificed vehicles are not allotted to specific units, and it is therefore up to the units concerned to choose, when authorized, the best vehicles available at the time in the MP.

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Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Copy to:

J.S.
R.M.M.B.

5317

Subject:- Loans for Ecclesiastical organisation for the reconstruction of buildings destroyed by war.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.
2/5/8
27 September, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

Referenced your letter 01673 of 31 Aug 45.

1. It is agreed that the vehicles listed in the above mentioned letter can be disposed of.
2. The Ecclesiastical organisation originally requested for 40 vehicles and has so far received 13. Furthermore, the Italian Red Cross has submitted a request for vehicles, and has only been issued with 5 vehicles up to date.
3. It is, therefore, requested that the vehicles should be divided proportionally amongst the two organisations, bearing in mind that should any of the vehicles have pneumatic tyres, they should be withdrawn prior to issue.
4. Should there be any vehicle, whose condition is such, that neither the C.R.I. or the Ecclesiastical organisation can make use of the, then they may be disposed of at your own discretion.

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

31/8/45

5316

Subject: Transportation of Repatriated
POW's Disembarking in Naples

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/S/S

139
16 September 1945

To : Transportation Sub Commission, Hq ALCOM

Reference your 84/46/Tn.3 of 6 September 1945

Repatriated POW's arriving in Italy are civilians and are therefore not a concern of MMIA nor the Italian Army in accordance with Par 6 of AFHQ letter, file AG 091.711/169 GCT-O of 16 November 1944, subject: "Command and Administration of the Italian Army". The responsibility for handling these repatriated POW's is that of the Italian Civil Government, and it appears that any trucks needed must be furnished from their civilian pools. As this is civil work, no POL can be provided from Army allotments, as it is not possible for the Italian Army to requisition POL for civilian work.


CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

cc: I.P.W. Division of Civil Affairs Section

SEE 147
5315

Subject :- Transport for Medical Surgeon of Bracciano

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.

✓ 5/8
✓ September.

To :-
M.M. Allied Commission
for Public Health Sub Commission.

The attached letter from the Mayor of Bracciano is
forwarded to you for information and such action as you consider necessary.

RAC

R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

JL/pb

5:14

Translation

From: ENAK

Ref. o. 36/M

To: Ministry of Industry and Commerce
MMiA

Date: Sept. 4, '45

Q/5/8

Subject: Allotment of passenger cars and used trucks.

This organization, in the name of all its affiliates, workshops, garages, plants for the production and rebuilding of spare parts for motor vehicles and similar equipment, addresses to all ^{the above} Ministries and Sub-Commissions a request in general for allotment of a complete ~~new~~ M.T. Park for used vehicles to be overhauled, rebuilt or broken down in order to obtain spare parts therefrom.

We hereby inform all Ministries and Sub-Commissions concerned that for the time being said affiliates have placed very large sums at the disposal of this organization, in order to enable it to meet an initial allotment in ~~an adequate manner~~ an adequate manner.

Specifically, this organization requests that it be charged by the Ministry of Industry or Transportation with taking care of ^{the} ~~the~~ M.T. lots allocated by the Allies to the Italian Government, with the understanding

(2)
that this organization would remain as is now
the case - under the control of the Ministry of In-
dustry and Commerce.

This organization asks the War Materials
Sub-Commission, WMD, for the assignment to
with draw motor vehicles, possibly ^{those} of a complete
"Salvage" and, in particular, wishes to point to
the "Cars Salvage" of Cesena, Cesenatico and
Livorno.

This organization asks MMIA for the ^{same}
things it requests of W.M.D., if within its (of
MMIA) province; and, moreover, it requests the
allotment of a lot of cars from the "Parioli" Italian
cars camp, which could still be rebuilt and
salvaged and which, being exposed to all kinds
of bad weather, are slowly becoming unusable
scrap, much to the detriment of ~~the~~ Italian
M.T. assets, of ^{the} Italian economy and of national
reconstruction, while, on the other hand, they
might provide work for a great many unemployed
and help to meet the problem of a wrecked
transportation system.

We trust that we will ^{be given}
consideration both because of the earnestness

(3)

of our request and intentions, and because of our technical and financial possibilities, not to speak of our organizing potential.

We therefore await the favor of your reply, and shall be glad to furnish you with any information and particulars concerning our plan.

Signed: Dr. Paolo Sanan
President

Wick

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135

Subject:- Transport for 227 Div.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.

✓5/8

3 September, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

114/11
Referenced your 6/9275/Serv dated 27 Aug 45.

Attention is directed to this H.Q. letter
SC/1004 dated 25 Aug 45. Your recommendations should
be included in the weekly return called for in paragraph
8 (b) thereof.

Recd

R.A. CHIFFIN Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Recd
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Renovation
9/5/8.
From : MOW
To : MIA
Subject : Withdrawal of new and repaired clothing from British depots.
Ref. : 5001/I.J.
Date : Sept. 2, 1948.
134/1

We have enclosed a copy of letter no. 7534/3 dated 24th inst. received from Naples Regional Recovery Center, in order that you may kindly examine the possibility of assigning 10 trucks to said center for the duration of the service.

While awaiting said assignment this Ministry has already given instructions by signal in order that the service may be assured by applying to private transport firms.

In regard to the car, this Directorate General has approached the SAME in order to obtain the exchange of the one that was assigned some time ago and which, owing to its bad condition, is in the workshop continually.

Cpl. VDC

(Sgt) Felligre

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10 trucks
sent to Naples
Cpl.

Translation

From : HQM - Ref. Dec. Center Naples
 To : HQM
 Subject : Withdrawal of new and repaired clothing from Br. Depots.

Ref. : 7534/C

Date : August 24, 1945

LAOCC of MIA 10 Naples has reported that the following quantities of new or repaired clothing and footwear are available for the Italian Army at the British Depot 357 BCU at Portici:

20,000 pairs	trousers
20,000	shirts
60,000 pairs	boots

Other clothing will be made available within the next few days. This Center has been able to draw approximately 20,000 pairs of boots with vehicles at its disposal.

However, we are forced to inform you that owing to the lack of motor transport it will be impossible to draw the remaining huge quantities of clothing.

The transport from Allied depots to our depots ~~will~~ ^{was} carried out previously with Allied vehicles.

With the departure of the A.I. units for other parts, this is no longer possible.

The efforts made by MIA 10 Naples in order to meet these requirements have been in vain.

The Naples Mil. Terr. Command, inspired of all efforts and reductions, and withdrawing vehicles from other ~~and~~ ^{and} urgent necessities in regard to the daily life of the troops, can only ensure daily five of the six trucks already intended for recovery service.

Said trucks are hardly sufficient to ensure the normal functioning of the w/shops and depots under its command.

The other four vehicles, which are located at the PR-1st Establishments Group at Prettanaggiore, are used for the functioning of said establishments and to ensure the daily loading of railway wagons for the shipments of clothing.

A total of 580 tons of clothing intended for units in Northern Italy are being shipped from Prettanaggiore.

The present vehicle deficiencies in the recovery service have been studied by Col. Nockes of MIA Rome who inspected the establishments under our command on the 20th inst.

Said officer estimated that for the normal functioning of this Center, 20 other trucks should be placed at its disposal.

However, this Center believes that 10 vehicles and one car are absolutely necessary.

Said request is motivated by the fact that other units, which are

the six trucks already intended for recovery service.

Said trucks are hereby sufficient to ensure the normal functioning of the workshops and depots under its command.

The other four vehicles, which are located at the BR-III Establishments Group at Frettemaggiore, are used for the functioning of said establishments and to ensure the daily loading of railway wagons for the shipments of clothing.

A total of 580 tons of clothing intended for units in Northern Italy are being shipped from Frettemaggiore.

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However, this Center believes that 10 vehicles and one car are absolutely necessary.

Said request is motivated by the fact that other units, which are not included on the original program, have been assigned to the Naples Recovery Center.

In fact, most of the motor transport is absorbed daily by the issues that the Center carries out through the BR-III Establishments Group at Frettemaggiore.

This involves the withdrawal of materials from Allied Depots and the loading and unloading of huge quantities of materials.

The vehicle that is included in the request is required in order to enable us to keep a check on all of the depots and workshops. This check is necessary, otherwise the functions of this Center will be unproductive.

The car which was placed at the disposal of this Center some time ago, is in the workshop continually and at present, the ~~unusable~~ ^{unusable} vehicles loaned to him by this or the other military or civilian unit.

In conclusion, we request your urgent intervention for the withdrawal of the A/M clothing from 357 300 at Portici, bearing in mind that the consignment date is approaching and it is not convenient for the MIL administration to lose said materials, most of which are new and the rest already entirely repaired.

SAO of MILA LO Naples asked its superior authorities today to approach you in order to obtain the urgent assignment of the vehicles in question.

CPL VDC

(sga) Capt. Ventrella

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Subject:- Transport 34 Gd. Pn.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. H. I. A.) ROME.

4/5/8

September, 1945.

To:-

M.H.I.A. L.O.
c/o 4 Area.

129.

Reference your 3 DLA/9 dated 27 Aug 45.

1. The two broken down vehicles in the care of Captain Crovisan at Benevento should be collected by No. 3 Repairs Unit, Bari.
2. If not easily repairable, B.L.R. certificates should be obtained and demand for replacements made through Bari Territorial H. .

[Signature]
R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. H. I. A.

Copy to:-

5th Area.
M.H.I.A. L.O. c/o 3 District.

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Translation

From : HQ
To : SAC
Info : MILA
Subject : Cars assigned to the Military Engineer Requisitioning Offices.

Ref. : 64402
Date : Sept. 1, 1945

Ref. letters 6/6356 and 6/6354 dated 2/7/45 and letter 6/6362 - 4/7/45

We beg to inform you that the following are the vehicles that have been placed at the disposal of the Mil. Engineer Requisitioning Office of the local Efficient Vehicle Park:

OFFICE	TYPE CAR	License No.	Condition
Rome	Fiat 1100	R.M. 025443	Very bad, especially for the motor and transmission parts. Mediocre. Mediocre.
Perugia	Lancia Augusta	R.M. 02843	Very bad.
Perugia	Fiat 508	R.M. 012889	Very bad.
Naples	Light truck SPA L 39	R.M. 120309	Very bad.
Naples	Lgt. truck SPA-L39	R.M. 134741	Very bad.
Catanzaro	Lgt. truck SPA L39	R.M. 67278	Very bad.
Catanzaro	Lgt. truck SPA L39	R.M. 53256	Very bad.
Peranto	Fiat van 1100	R.M. 012047	Very bad.
Bari	Fiat 508	R.M. 02328	Very bad.
Bari	Lgt. truck SPA	R.M. 125020	Very bad.
Comobasso	Fiat 500	R.M. 41463	Mediocre, tires almost worn out
Comobasso	Lgt. truck SPA	R.M. 127603	Mediocre, tires in a fairly good condition.
Vasto	Fiat 1100	R.M. 38262	Very bad.

Notwithstanding that your assignment order refers to cars, light trucks were delivered to the Naples, R.M. Catanzaro, Peranto, and Comobasso Offices: said light trucks are not suitable for the requirements of the Requisitioning Office which must transport persons and not things.

Therefore, we beg you to kindly arrange for said Offices to be equipped with cars in good condition, and in case there are none available at the Efficient Vehicle Park, to approach the order to obtain the assignment of German cars (as per

Beri	Lgt. truck SPA	R.S. 125020	very bad.
Campobasso	Pist 500	R.S. 41403	medicore, tires almost worn out
Campobasso	Lgt. truck SPA	R.S. 127603	medicore, tires in a fairly good condition.
Visto	Pist 1100	R.S. 38262	Very bad.

Notwithstanding that your assignment order refers to cars, light trucks were delivered to the Naples, San Gennaro, Taranto, and Campobasso Offices. Sold light trucks are not suitable for the requirements of the Requisitioning offices which must transport persons and not things.

Therefore, we beg Sade to kindly arrange for said Offices to be equipped with cars in good condition, and in case there are none available at the Efficient Vehicles Park, to approach Sade in order to obtain the assignment of German cars (as per enclosure to c/m letter).

We will forward the monthly vehicle return for all of the Military Engineer Requisitioning Offices.

(Sgd) Crivaro

Cpl. VDC

5306

TRANSLATION

From: M.O.I.W.
To: M.M.I.A.

Date: 31/8/45
Ref: 014378
18395

Subject: Lorries for Ecclesiastical buildings destroyed by war reconstructions organisations.

Further to list No. 15847 dated 31/7/45.

1) - The a/m organisation has already withdrawn the lorries authorised by M.M.I.A. with letter Q/5/8 dated 30/7/45.
2) - The following vehicles which are held in the innkeeper's vehicles Park, are listed hereunder, ~~in case they should be returned to the a/m organisation.~~

- Ceirano 50	RE. 26507	III	Rossetti Park- Naples.-
- " "	" 77782	III	
- 634 Fiat	" -	III	
- " "	" 025811	III	
- " "	" 031449	IV	
- 634 Fiat	RE. 09348	IV	Afragola
- " "	" -	IV	
- " "	" 09072	IV	
- " "	" 034399	IV	
- " "	" 034398	III	
- " "	" 016719	III	
- " "	" 028965	III	
- " "	" 032161	III	
- 3 BOD. (OM)	RE. 79180	IV	AGNANO
- " "	" 60657	IV	
- " "	" 7899	IV	

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- 634 Fiat	RE.	09348	IV)
- " "	"	-	IV)
- " "	"	09072	IV)
- " "	"	034399	IV)
- " "	"	034398	III)
- " "	"	016719	III)
- " "	"	028965	III)
- " "	"	032161	III)

Afragola

-3 BOD. (OM)

RE.	79180	IV)
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"	7899	IV)

AGNANO

- BOD. (OM)

RE.	-	IV)
"	80904	IV)
"	80718	III)
"	80869	III)
"	10837	IV)
"	80922	IV)
"	80880	IV)
"	80561	III)
"	80610	III)

Afragola

- Fiat 18 BL	No	42	IV)
- " "	"	2	III)
- Fiat 15 ter	"	2	IV)
- " "	"	3	III)

Bari

We await the decisions M.N.I.A. will deem advisable to take.

R. ERREBA. Cpl

(Sgd) Col. Balanzino



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Subject:- Water Truck for Pesaro Province.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

2/5/8

3/ August, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

Reference your ¹⁷¹¹⁷~~873189~~ /21 dated 16 Aug 45.

It is requested you forward to this H. . targa number of vehicle you propose to hand over to the Comune of Pesaro, in order that arrangements can be made to have the vehicle inspected by our representative in Bari.

RAC

R. A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

JL/fen

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M.M.I.A.

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FOR M.M.I.A. L.G.(.) REFERENCE FOR Q.8. DATED 30 AUG.(.)

ALLOCATION OF CAR TO DI MOTOR OF CENTRO QUADRUPODI

S. WARTING SHOULD BE MADE BY TERRITORIAL H.Q. BOLOGNA

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N.M.I.A.

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DESTROY

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FOR MIA 10(.) YOUR 3 DEC/14 OF 25 AUG(.)
TRACTOR WILL BE REISSUED TO AN ITALIAN ARMY
UNIT(.) 227 DIV TO REPORT WHEN AVAILABLE
FOR ISSUE

RE 10513.

5302

S.M.

Subject :- Vehicles for Italian Liaison Office and Surgeon's Office,
5 Army.

29 Aug 45

✓ 8/5/8
Land Forces Sub/Comm A.C. (MMIA)
ROME
Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

To :- MMIA LO, 5 ARMY.

Att copy of letter from 210 Admin Division is forwarded to you
for comment.

Will you please state whether the vehicles in question are still
required by the Italian Liaison Office and the Surgeon's Office, 5 Army.

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Copy to: ST.

RAC
R.A. CURTIS,
Lt. Col. Q/2.,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject:- Request for Fiat 626

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) REEL.
1/5/8
August, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

1. The attached correspondence is forwarded to you for consideration as to whether the vehicle in question should be made available, and for your action.
2. It is felt that the disposal of garbage is the responsibility of the civil authorities and not of the Italian Army.

R. A. CURTIS
R. A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:

M.M.I.A. L.O.
4th Floor,
Provincia Buildings.
NAPLES.

108/2
(your STM/20 of the 23 Aug 45 refers)

5300

Subject : Transport for Graves Registration Unit.

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Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E.
O/ 5/8

28 Aug 45.

To : War Ministry.

DON MARIO VINCIGUERRI

163.

1. Reference your S/O II 1 F dated 24 August. Approval is given for one passenger vehicle and driver to be placed at the disposal of the above named officer for a period not exceeding one month from date while he is engaged on tracing the graves of Italian soldiers, including Partisans in the area N.E. of ROME.
2. The bodies of any Allied soldier which may be discovered should be reported direct to this Headquarters.
3. Confirmation is requested that the above officer will receive his instructions through the War Ministry and that his work is co-ordinated with that of the Italian Army Graves Registration Unit.
4. A vehicle will be provided from War Ministry Adm. transport coy. which is authorized to hold, temporarily, one vehicle in excess of establishment.

R.A. Curtis

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

Copy to : 'A' Branch,
S. & T. Branch.

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(120)

Subject:- Ambulance - Ospedale Militare Naples.

Land Forces Sub Commissioner A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R.C.E.

2/5/8

28 August, 1945.

To:-

A.F.H.Q. for (A)

103

Reference your 123/8158/1(A) dated

21 August 45.

1. The British A.D. Ambulance held by the "Miracoli" hospital in Naples should be withdrawn.

2. The question of replacement does not arise as there is an Ambulance Car Section in Naples, under command of the Direzione di Sanita, whose object is to provide military hospitals with ambulances as and when required.

Reilly

R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:-

3 District.
S.T.

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5292

Subject: Demand for transport for the Aras Factory at Terni.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. V. I. A.) ROME.
O/S/S
28 August, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

Reference your 6/8400/Serv dated 13 Aug 45.

1. It is not possible to agree to the allocation of one Italian Army Lorry to the Aras Factory at Terni. The shortage of M.T. vehicles is still acute and every vehicle is required for authorised Italian Army units.

2. It is felt that the recovery of machinery and other salvage material can be effected by using the Italian railways *q*-the Recovery Commission.

RAC
R. A. CURRIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.

RAC/fem

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TRANSLATION

From : 227 Div. H.Q.

Ref : 02/3330/Ord.

To : S.I.R.E.

Dtd : 17 Aug 45

Subject : Vehicle Issues.

With reference to letters No. 5/7731/Serv and No. 5/8026/Serv, dated respectively 27 July 45 and 3 Aug 45.

Since, recently, the ^{conditions of the} transport for personnel of this H.Q. (cars and motorcycles) had descended to sad depths, I was compelled to approach Nr No 3 District in order that they might point out to A.E.H.Q., the absolute necessity of issuing the division with sufficient transport to ensure us of the minimum liaison with units under our command, located in Central Italy.

As a result of this action :

two motorcycles were **allotted** from the 3rd Serviceable Vehicle Park, Bari (by order of MMIA No. B/50 and the SMRE.'s telegram No. 5/7732/SERV dtd 20 July 45);

a promise was made that three cars "in perfect condition" would be issued, for which H.Q. No. 3 District had been given express orders.

But when it came to putting the solution of this problem into practice -(a solution I would have judged to have been completely satisfactory), reality proved that things went differently, and all that resulted was a useless and large correspondence, while the grave problem still remains to be solved. In fact :

1°) - In spite of the telegraphic order of the SMRE, to procure immediate drawing of the two motorcycles, it was not possible to effect withdrawal until the Military Territorial H.Q. of Bari had received the due assignment orders together with the relative tricolour windscreen labels, (without which the 3rd Serviceable Vehicle Park must not permit vehicles to leave its premises). Then, when the papers were in order, we learned that

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there were not two motorcycles, but one motorcycle and one car, which were however drawn but which could not reach this H.Q. under their own power, being efficient for journeys not above 10 Km. Thus the car, having reached here only yesterday, the 18th, on board a lorry sent from Bari for this purpose, has shown itself to be unserviceable at once, due to :

-The tyres, in the worst condition, of which two, at least must, be replaced immediately ;

-The fracture of the chassis, which must be sent to Workshops at once for welding.

2°)- Regarding the three cars. For these also, arrangements were made by S.L., instead of by H.Q. 1 District, in compliance with SMIA's assignment order No. B/51, to which reference was made in Telegram No L/8029 of the 2 Aug 45. Even in this case we had to wait for over two weeks, until the Military Territorial H.Q. of Bari had received the assignment orders together with the three windscreen labels. Then, it was communicated to the officer sent to Bari for the purpose of drawing the vehicles, that there would be issued (see attached copy of Comiliter, Bari's letter No. 03/2/0354/2)

-one car of German make;

-two little cars of type L.39.

And, since the 3rd Serviceable Vehicle Park has declared that it was not possible to limit, ^{de} issue solely to the German car (the maintenance of which, in any case would have been difficult; through the absolute impossibility of finding spare parts), I have reluctantly had to give up the idea of drawing, because I did not consider it advisable to take on the strength of the H.Q., two vehicles absolutely inadequate to its requirements, and which, on the other hand could be used to more useful purpose if issued to a small unit, to whose modest transport services covering only small distances they would be sufficient.

In this manner, therefore, in spite of the interest shown by the highest Italian and Allied authorities, this H.Q. has remained in the same state, recently worsened through the farther use of the few vehicles available, which are the following ~~ones~~:-

Sheet 2.

- A Lancia Aprilia car, on charge to this unit, which is unserviceable five days out of ten through the state of the engine, other mechanical parts and the tyres. In fact, not a few times have I been ^{in urgent circumstances;} compelled to avail myself of the services of a Fiat 62 truck;

- A Fiat 1100 car, which is in such a condition that we cannot permit it to travel for distances of over 10 kms. for fear of having to send out a lorry to tow it back;

- Two motorcycles, with which it is not always possible to ensure the exchange of correspondence between the offices of this H.Q. (Cava dei Tirreni) and Salerno (7 Kms.)

In these circumstances, it is evident that the ~~only action~~ only action that this H.Q. can carry out in the interests of ~~the units~~ the units it commands (numbering about a hundred, with a strength of over 35.000 men, extended over a great part of South-central Italy, from a line running through Civitavecchia - Nieti - Pescara to Crotone), must necessarily be limited to office correspondence.

No inspectional activities will be possible until this H.Q. is issued vehicles which will ensure the speedy sending of an officer, even to districts hundred of Kilometres distant, as is often requested -among others- by Italian and Allied authorities.

Therefore, I beg the S.M. kindly to exert its influence with the suitable Allied departments, in order that this H.Q. may be issued with transport as quickly as possible, of a type capable of ensuring its functioning in the manner of a divisional H.Q. and not only as a receiving, despatching and sorting centre for correspondence.

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General Commanding,
Silvio Rossi.

Handwritten signature


HEADQUARTERS OF PARTISAN FORCES - ADRIATIC SECTOR

To: Major General BROWNING

M.M.I.A. A.C.

Rome

We have been told by our Chief Chaplain Dr. MARIO VINCENZETTI that you have helped us in the very important and difficult work of finding recognizing and burying numerous bodies of PARTISANS fallen on our mountains during the long strike against nazifascists for the liberation of our Motherland. Among them there are some Allied Soldiers escapees from concentration camps: to them we will give the same honour.

Thank you very much!

Capt. CARLO POZZESI

Assistant Page. "Brigata Spartaco"

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Capt. MARIO POZZETTI

Assistant Page. "Brigata Spartaco"

(3) *10/1/44*

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Subject: M.T. for a passive
use of Ufficio Trasporti
SMRE.

Land Forces Sub-Comm.; A.C. (MIA)
 Tel. ROME 478206.
 Ref. 12/19
 25 Aug 45.

(112)

9/5/8.

To: ST. (MIA)

Copy: SMRE (Ufficio Trasporti)

Q.

1. Attached please find extracts translated from letter sent to this office by Col. Bogliaccino, Capo dell'Ufficio Trasporti, SMRE.
2. As the responsibilities of Italian Movement Control are steadily increasing with the opening up of new railway services and with the handing over of British commitments, it is absolutely imperative for close liaison to be maintained between the Ufficio Trasporti and its dependent Delegazioni.
3. I am in complete agreement with Col. Bogliaccino on all points in his letter and endorse his assertion that the smooth working of Italian Movement Control is bound to suffer through this lack of means of adequate transport.
4. It will be appreciated therefore if you would grant a good serviceable vehicle for the exclusive use of Ufficio Trasporti.
5. Please treat this application as urgent.

W.A.A. Evans

Capt. RE.

(W.A.A. EVANS)

Movements Liaison Officer.

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ST have
 replied
 action
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TRANSLATION

FROM SMRE (Ufficio Trasporti). 24/8/45
TO MOVEMENTS MMIA
REF : 3345/T.O.P.

1. As is known, the Ufficio Trasporti is not in possession of own M.T., which would enable the Capo Ufficio (or some other officer) free movement when and where required by the exigencies of the service. Indeed by the system in force at present for the obtaining of MT to carry out an inspection, it is necessary to apply to the competent Compagnia Trasporti, which, being inundated with demands and at the same time possessing only limited and worn out means, cannot satisfy everyone. Thus, in practice, the requested journey takes place not when it is necessary, but only when means are available.

2. Some time back, I pointed out this inconvenience to Capt. Westbury so that he might help me to overcome these difficulties which hinder the smooth working of the Service. But without success, and for reasons contrary to his wishes. But since the system mentioned above, by its continuance, has grave effects on the service, I consider it my duty to take up the argument again, with the following points:

- a) - With the inauguration of the Delegazioni in the North, it is absolutely essential for me to possess suitable means of maintaining liaison and frequent contact with the dependent organizations.
- b) - Rail communication is still very slow; a turn of inspection carried out by rail would keep me away from my HQ 15 or 20 days - a time which I cannot afford.
- c) - The air service is convenient only up to a certain point. Indeed Verona, Bolzano, Venice, Genoa, Pisa and Leghorn and

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 - c) - The air service is convenient only up to a certain point. Indeed Verona, Bolzano, Venice, Genoa, Pisa and Leghorn and many other centres are outside its itinerary. To reach such places, I should always have to entrust myself to the railway - with the inconvenience outlined above.
 - d) - Only the availability of MT can adequately solve this problem. At this juncture, I wish to point out that if the Mission has recognised the necessity of MT for the Heads of the Delegazioni, who have a limited area of jurisdiction, it ought all the more to recognise the needs of the Ufficio Trasporti, whose jurisdiction actually extends from the Alps to Sicily.
3. Accordingly I earnestly request you to grant: ²32
- either - the allocation of an allied car to the Compagnia Trasporti Ministeriale for the exclusive use of Ufficio Trasporti (this would be the better solution, because Italian vehicles, being old, lacking of spare parts and with tyres in bad condition, are in no way suitable for long journeys).
 - or - the allocation of a suitable vehicle from among those held by Compagnia Trasporti Ministeriale for the exclusive use of Ufficio Trasporti.

Col. G. Bogliaccino

TRANSLATION

From: Arms Inspectorate - R. Italian Engineers
To: MMIA

Ref : 900/S.

Dtd : 22 AUG 45

Subject : Transfers of 105 Service Coy - Engineers and
105 Territorial Signals Coy.

The above-named companies have now attained their War Establishments, and completed ^{the drawing of} their technical and general service equipment.

The said companies should now be ^{sent to} their allotted locations.

We beg you, therefore, kindly to authorise (treating as urgent) the issue of 8 heavy lorries for the transfer of personnel (5 officers and 120 N.C.C.'s and troops) and materials from S. Maria, Capua to Udine.

pp The Arms Inspector R. Italian Eng.
sgd. Col G. GAZZINI.

SUBJECT: Basic Charges for 81 mm Mortars.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
Q/5/8
22 August 1945.

TO : Ministry of War.

99/1
Reference your 4/2183/Serv. of 18 Aug. 45.

1. No authority has yet been granted for the shipment of 110562 basic charges for 81 mm mortar from Sardinia to the Mainland.

IVF
IRA V. FORDYCE, Captain
for Major General
Land Forces Sub Commission

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Subject: AMBULANCE
Ospedale Militare, NAPLES.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Tele No. Freedom 128

AHQ/8158/Q(AE)

21 Aug 45

MMIA.

1. No. 3 District have requested a retention certificate for a British WD Ambulance held by the Ospedale Militare, NAPLES.
2. This Ambulance was transferred by 74 Coy RASC to the Ospedale Militare to assist in the evacuation of patients. GHQ, MEF have stated that as this hospital is not recognised on the Census of WD 'B' vehicles the matter must be regularised by placing this vehicle on charge to a British Unit.
3. Will you please state whether this Ambulance can now be withdrawn and an Italian Ambulance issued in lieu.

R.B. D'Eath Major

R.B. D'EATH, Major,
for Brigadier, Q(AE)

RED/FMA

Copy to: - No. 3 District (Your 642 Q of 15 Aug 45 refers)
G-3.

SEE 120

*Vehicle held at Ospedale Militare
"Marsicole" Naples.*

3946.

*Should be returned to British
Unit*

*Question of replacement does not arise
as there is an Ambulance in Naples 4/1
Regimento di Sanita*

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

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TO : D.O. 54 AREA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

28 045 B

FOR R.M.I. 1. L.O.
REF. N.O. : 0.542

UNCLASSIFIED(.) WARNING OTHER(.) No. 1 MONTHLY PAGE REQUIRED OPERATE
VICINITY VERONA(.) SHOULD CLOSE AND BE PREPARED TO LEAVE 24 HOURS
NOTICE(.) INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOW

PRESENCE

AUTHENTICATION

/ago

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translation

From M. of W.
To M.M.I.A.

9/5/8.

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Ref. 6/8708/
Date 17/8/45

98/4

Subject Lorries for the 517 HQ. Group BR+ITI

Further to letter 6/8020 dated 3/8/45

We forward copy of letter 02/3156 dated 7/8/45 from 227th Div. HQ. for
any necessary action to be taken by you.

(Ercole Ronco)

DAK.

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translation

COPY

From 227° Div. HQ.
To M; of W.

Ref. 02/3156/ORD.
Date 7/8/45

Subject Lorries for the recently formed 517° group
HQ. BRI-ITI

Further to letter 02/2929/ dated 25/7/45

As I have already pointed out in my previous letter, the 3° District HQ. has issued on loan the minimum transport to meet the requirements of the recently formed 517° Group HQ. BR-ITI at Torre del Greco (Naples) in order to form small units of a total strength of about 3500 men.

By my previous letter, I pointed out therefore the need that the a/n HQ. should be as soon as possible allotted the lorries necessary for its requirements, with the purpose of being able to return those received on loan.

A recent letter from N 3° District HQ. (letter 631/13Q dated 30/7/45) stated that the said loan is to be considered limited to two weeks only, w.e.f. 30/7/45

Consequently, if the 517° Group HQ. BR-ITI should have to return the lorries in a few days time, before having received by normal allotment those asked for, not only would they not be able to complete the tasks for which it was formed, but it would not even be in a position to maintain itself.

I bring to notice therefore the urgent need for the allotment of lorries on the scale proposed as:

1 car
2 motorcycles
2 lorries

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(Silvio Rossi)

DAK.

Translation

ref 17117-121
813189

16 Aug 45

from: M of W
to: M MIA

9/2/8

Subject: PESARO Province - Water supply.

① The Presidency of the Council of Ministers has requested from this Ministry the release of water trucks to supply water to some communities of PESARO province that have been severely greatly suffered owing to war events.

② This Gen. Directorate has at BARI x MESAGNE inefficient Vehicles Parks 3 water trucks Fiat 18 BL 4th category, which could be released as wrecks to PESARO community after approval of M MIA according to App. "A" to letter Q/5/10 dated 7 May 45. The community concerned should withdraw a few vehicles on conditions that will be defined later on.

③ We beg to know the decision of M MIA on this matter.

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 ③ We beg to know the decision of MMIA on
 this matter.

RUSO

(Sealed)
 [Signature]
 approved
 [Signature]

SEE 128
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Translation

From M. Of W.
To M.M.I.A.

Ref. 2172246/II

222 5 10

Date 13/8/45

Subject Military Geographical Institute Materials

Terr. Mil. H.Q. of Bolzano, further to normal authorisation of the 5^o American Army H.Q. is arranging to recover some materials belonging to the Mil. Geographical Institute transported by the Germans from Florence to Dobbiaco. Folio 52. 8/5/10.

As stated by you on various occasions and recently in letter Q/5/10 dated 6/9/45 such materials the property of military admin. must be returned to the army.

We have been informed instead that the 5^o American Army topographical service has drawn: ~~before~~, over 1,000 Qt. of printing paper for topographical maps from the S. Candido stores (near Dobbiaco) and ~~XXXXXX~~ afterwards (by the copy of orders attached) two of the most modern machines which are at the disposal of the said institute for photometry (stereographic Santoni Mod. III^o) and two ~~XXXXXX~~ polishers for plastics, machine for the construction of plastics invented by the I.G.M. and of which only the I.G.M. is in possession. The withdrawal of the said machines ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ and 13 wagons of printing paper has been effected without this ministry or Terr. Mill. H.Q. being forewarned.

We report such inconveniences, which are the contrary to that laid down by you, for any necessary action.

DAK. →

See 86/1. 8/5/8

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Translation
H.Q. ARMY ENG.

COPY

2626 Engineer Group(Prov.)
APO 464 O.S. Army

98A

Date 15/7/45

555.00
To Lt. PARES
" GAMSE
Eng. Map Depot.

Sent Wed. 18/7/45 Two 15cwt. trucks with two men each, plus the driver, to the Mil. Geographical Institute at Dobbiaco. The senior presented himself to the O.C. of the Mil. Institute and gave my compliments, draw the following materials and take them to the Vs "Depot" in Verona.

- a) One stereo Satoni, complete, with instruction book;
- b) One milling machine, complete, with typewritten instructions for use.
- c) Four plastics, from the plastic depot in the room where German topographical maps are kept.

When the a/m materials are transported and safely put in your depot make a second journey in order to draw still a second type of the a/n machines.

These machines will be taken to the (I4 depot) at Bologna, and the consignment note forwarded to this office.

JOHN G. LADD.

Lt. Col. FAUSTO MONACO.

DAK.

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Subject:- A.F.Vs. for Garibaldi Regiment.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.

Q/5/8
16 August, 1945.

To:-

M.M.I.A. L.O.
c/o 3 District.

1. 3 District, in their letter 70/8/GSI dated 11 Aug 45 to A.F.H.Q. (G-3 Org) have requested for the provision of the following vehicles to the Garibaldi Infantry Regiment in order that it can operate efficiently in an internal security role:-

- (a) 4 heavy armoured cars; any type available provided the main armament is a gun (as opposed to a machine gun) for dealing with buildings used as strong points.
- (b) 1 Light armoured car or scout car for the C.O.

2. Our records show that, over and above the 140 tanks transferred to the CC.RR. (see our letter Q/5/8 of 9 July, attached) that there are still 22 such vehicles available at No. 2 E.V.P. Naples.

3. You should contact 3 District and investigate whether any of these vehicles are suitable for the purpose requested. If so, you should make preparatory arrangements direct with 3 District for their transfer, and inform this H.Q. of the number of vehicles required so that the necessary release order can be given.

R.A. Curties
R.A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy:-

3 District.
S.T.
R.E.M.E.

SEE 134

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SUBJECT:- Transport demand - HQ 517 HQ-III Group.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME.
Q/5/8
15 August 1945

TO : HQIA LO
e/c 3 District

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Herewith copy of 227 Division HQ letter 02/2929/Ord of 25 July 45 which should have been forwarded with this HQ letter of even reference dated 13 August 45.

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

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Subject:- Transport demand - R.Q. 517 BR-ITI Groups.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.
2/5/8
13 August, 1945.

TO:

BRITIA LO
c/o 3 District.

Reference attached correspondence.

1. Since this Unit is a BR-ITI Unit, the provision of transport is a British commitment, and it is therefore 3 District responsibility.
2. It is hereby certified that no transport is available for 517 BR BR-ITI Groups from Italian Army sources.

RAC
R.A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:-

Ministry of War = (your 6/8020/1 dated 3 Aug refers)

1 attachment.

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FROM: Ministry of War.

3 Aug 45.

TO : MTA

Ref. 6/8020
(one enclosure)

Subject: Motor Transport.

Herewith attached copy of letter 02/2929/GAD dated 25 July , from
227 Division II)

Considering that:- The Unit under discussion belongs to the
HR-ITI Category:

The Motor Transport for these Units is drawn
from Allied sources:

The present limited availability of Italian M.T.
Transport is hardly sufficient to replace the
deficiencies of the ITI-ITI Units.

We beg you therefore to approach the Allied Authorities concerned
in order that the Unit in question be equipped with Allied Transport.

(signed) Ronco.

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SUBJECT:- Transport for S/L UnitsLand Forces Sub-Commission A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME.✓ 5/8
11 August 1945
-----TO:- M.M.I.A. L.O.
o/o HQ 3 District

90/11

Reference your 3DLQ/9 dated 8 August 45.

1. Attached certificate as requested.
2. Current AFHQ instructions are to the effect that until transport is available from Italian Army sources, transport for BHI ITI Service Units is the responsibility of the British Authorities.

R.A.
R.A. CURTIS, Lt.Col.,
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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This is to certify that transport for the following BRI TFI
Combat and Service Units is not available from Italian Army sources.

820	Gruppo F.E.	(S/L En. H)
830	Comp. Mob. Foto	(Mob. S/L Coy)
841	Plt. Fisso Foto	(Static S/L Pl.)
842	"	"
843	"	"
844	"	"
845	"	"
846	"	"
847	"	"
848	"	"
471	Officina Mobile	(Mob. S/L Works)

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

August 1945

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Subject:- Disposal of Vehicles.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) RCMF.
2/5/8
9 August, 1945.

To:-

Ministry of War.

EME 1526 folo 49

1. Reference your 15847 dated 31 July 1945.
2. Permission is given for the disposal of the five FIAT 18 HL barries only and not the five GERANO 50.
3. Two release notes are attached giving one vehicle to the Italian Red Cross and four to the "Fondo Ricostruzione Edifici Ecclesiastici danneggiati dalla Guerra".

[Signature]
R.A. CURTIES Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

Copy to:- R.E.M.E.

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VEHICLE RELEASE ORDER.

Authority is hereby given for the disposal of
FIAT 18 BL Targa No. 20521 to the Italian Red
cross.

R. A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
R. M. I. A.

August 1945.

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VEHICLE RELEASE ORDER.

Authority is hereby given for the disposal of
the following vehicles to the "Ente Ricostruzione
Edifici Ecclesiastici danneggiati dalla Guerra":

FIAT 18 BL.	Targa No. 155557
" "	" " 21115
" "	" " 23430
" "	" " 155358

R.A. CURTIS Lt. Col.
for Major General.
M. M. I. A.

August, 1945.

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Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome

Q/5/8 ✓

8 August 1945

Comm Angelo Pramba
Via Degli Scipioni, 191
Rome, Italy

Dear Sir:

Reference your letter of 7 August regarding the old military trucks.

It must be made clear at this time that the only military vehicles which can be allotted for other than military purposes are those which have no further value to the Army, either because they are unserviceable or because they are obsolete types, and the recipients of these vehicles must make such repairs as are necessary. The Italian Army has need of all vehicles which are serviceable and which can be economically repaired and used; and while we thoroughly appreciate the work done by your body, our first and foremost interest is the welfare of the Italian State as a whole as represented by the Army.

I must further make it clear that no vehicles are allotted to civilians or civilian agencies except on the recommendation of the Minister for War. This Mission is not in a position, and will not be put in a position of giving away Italian Army property, so I suggest that any requests that you have for Italian Army property be submitted to the Minister for War, who will, if he so desires, make recommendations to this Mission regarding property which is blocked.

The original request transmitted by the Minister for War was for load-carrying vehicles. No passenger-carrying vehicles are available from Army sources. Such passenger-carrying vehicles as you desire, should be secured by purchase from civilians or by donation from civilians who are interested in the work of your body.

Yours truly,



CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

cc: Minister for War
for General Properzi

Rome, 7th August 1945

Colonel Clayton P. Keer
For Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (AMIA)
R o m e

Sir,

His Eminence the Cardinal Granito Pignatelli di Belmonte, Senior of the "Sacro Collegio", to whom I submitted the letter dated 30th July you addressed to me, has charged me with the pleasant duty to express to you his gratitude for having had the kindness to put at the disposal of the Body charged with the reconstruction of churches "Ente per la Ricostruzione degli Edifici ecclesiastici devastati dalla guerra", a first group of trucks necessary for beginning the work of reconstruction.

As soon as all trucks required through the channel of the Ministry of War are delivered, His Eminence will be glad to thank you personally for your prompt decision which enables the above-mentioned Body to start working.

As all the cars allotted need repairs involving rather a long time, His Eminence - in view of the necessity of starting work before the bad season - deems it advisable that the truck 15 TER which cannot be used because of its conditions, be substituted by the car "Ceirano", plate number 029906 at present available at the Repair Section "Reparto Guasti"; of course, any difference would be immediately settled.

Taking into consideration the purpose of the said Body and the fact that the Bishops are anxious to see their churches rebuilt for obvious social and moral reasons, it is pointed out that at least four cars, in condition to be easily repaired, are needed by said Body in order that its

*Chiamare
il Pignatelli
per la riparazione
della 15 TER
Rm 20/8-45*

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His Eminence hopes that you will have the kindness to take into consideration the requests made by said Body for the reconstruction of churches, and thanking you, he sends you his best regards, to which I join my homage.

(Angelo FRAMBA)

- Gentiluomo d'onore -

Angelo Framba

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*Memorandum
submitted to
the Reconstruction
Office
20 July 46*

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Subject:- Transport for Searchlight Units.

Land Force Sub-Commission, A.
M.M.I.A. RCM.
Q/5/8
August 1945

To:- MMIA LO
c/o HQ 3 District

Reference attached correspondence from Ministry of War.

1. The Units in question are BRI ITI Combat and Service Units carried on Order of Battle under Part II (a).
2. You should contact 3 District who are responsible for providing the necessary transport.

SEE 90/1.


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

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TRANSLATION

From : Quadriparted Supply Centre
PERS MO (Salerno)

Dtd : 27 Jul 45

To : Major - Liaison Officer,
No. 3 District.

Subject : Request for Lorry.

This centre, requisitioned in October 1943 by the Allied Command - at present occupied by British Remount Depot (Base 812) - does not possess any other vehicle but an antiquated lorry "18 B.L.", reduced to such a poor state that it is almost unserviceable. (Its speed is about 14 K.M. per Hour).

It happens, therefore, that every time I have to send, for service reasons, my subordinates to Salerno or Naples, or when I have to draw rations in this city (which happens two or three times a week), I must rely upon the kindnesses of the M.A. British Remount Depot, in order to be able to obtain the use of some space on their vehicles which ~~travel~~, every day, to Salerno and - sometimes - to Naples.

For these exigencies of service and also in order not to overburden the transport of the Remount Depot, which has the full need of all its vehicles for its own uses, I beg your respected self kindly

ratione in this city (which happens two or three times a week), I must rely upon the kindnesses of the H.Q. British Remount Depot, in order to be able to obtain the use of some space on their vehicles which ~~travel~~, every day, to Salerno and - sometimes - to Naples.

For these exigencies of service and also in order not to overburden the transport of the Remount Depot, which has the full need of all its vehicles for its own uses, I beg your respected self kindly to inform me whether, as has been done with other Italian units, it would be possible to issue us with a "Dodge", or one of the American lorries with three axles, which would be even more adaptable to this area, which contains in the vicinity of Persano and inside the estate, roads with bad surfaces.

Such a lorry, besides being of use to us, would be of very great help to the British Remount Depot (with whom our relations are those of continual and reciprocal collaboration) every time that foodstuffs arrive at the railway unloading point of Persano, or on other occasions when there is the necessity of all available means of transport.

Thanking You,

Exx. O. C. Centre, Lt. Col. Vincenzo Barbieri.

V. Barbieri / *24*

MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M.M.I.A.

TO : R.R.A.C.

INFO : ' F ' ~~BLTU~~
DISTRICT FOR MIALO

REF : ST/1803

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FOR ST (.) CONFIRMATION (.) DETAIL 20 BY 37 EX 3 G T COY TO LEAVE
 GESSANO FOR NAPLES AM 3 (.) CONVOY CMDR TO REPORT TWO HOURS AHEAD
 TO LT VISCONTI ITALIAN LIAISON OFFR 3 DISTRICT FOR DETAILED
 INSTRUCTIONS (.) VEHICLES WILL BE USED FOR TWO JOURNEYS TROOP CARRYING
 FROM NAPLES TO BARI - TARANTO AREA AND RETURN GESSANO ON COMPLETION
 UNDER INSTRUCTIONS MIALO LO 3 DISTRICT

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

LT. 5259

Internal :- Q/2.
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Translation of Q/18.

From: W. of W, SMRE

Ref. o. 6/7861

To: MMIA

Date: July 31, 1945

Subject: M.T. for photo-electricians unit.

We enclose a copy of the following letters:

- 02/2822/Ord. dated July 23rd from the H.Q. 227th Div.
- 3/ILO/135 dated July 15th from the Italian Liaison Office with the 3rd District

received from the H.Q. of the 227th Division.

Considering that:

- the units of photo-electricians mentioned in these letters belong to the BR-ITI category
- the M.T. for said units is being drawn from that which originates from Allied sources
- the present limited amount of Italian M.T. is still insufficient to fill the shortages of Iti-Iti units.

this S.M. asks your I.F.S.C. to approach the proper Allied agencies in order that the units of photo-electricians in question be furnished with Allied M.T., as per attached war establishments.

Signed: Enrico Rocco
Deputy Chief of Staff

Wally J

TranslationFrom: H.Q. 2nd /TH Division

To: Addressees omitted

Ref. 02/2822

Date: July 23, 1945

Subject: M.T. for photo-electricians units.

As instructed by your S.M. - Staff Duties and Mobilization Office - with letter No. 13753/Ord. of May 28, 1945, the photo-electricians units organized by means of that letter are to be furnished with M.T. by the Allies.

On the strength of further information received from the H.Q. 3rd District, the corresponding requisitions should have been forwarded by the H.Q. 22nd British Anti-Aircraft Brigade.

Since up to this time the units in question had not received any allotment, I recently approached the H.Q. 3rd District who informed me that - since BR-IT units are involved - also the requisitions for M.T. are to be handled as an ordinary requisition for supplies, for which the procedure has been specified by the Italian L.O. 3rd District with letter 3/110/135 dated the 15TH inst. (copy of which is attached).

I shall therefore be obliged if your S.M. will approach the proper agencies in order that it may be possible to furnish the photo-

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electricians up to with the transport required by them,
the continued lack of which would produce a crisis
in their operations.

The M.T. listed in the war establishment
and still needed, is evidenced by the attached
table.

Signed: Silvio Rossi
Commanding General

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Translation

From: Italia, L.O.
H.Q. 3rd District - CMF

Ref o. 3/ILO/135
Date: July 15, 1945

To: H.Q. 227th Division.

Subject: Requisition for equipment & supplies.

1. In reply to letter 3/DLO/9 dated June 22nd from MMIA LO at this Command, MMIA replied by confirming that the procedure to be followed when requisitioning supplies and equipment is the one previously outlined in Administrative Instruction No. 11, for MMIA itself.
2. The Ministry of War has received new and definite instructions to the effect that the only requisitions which may be returned to the sender are those which concern supplies normally available at the divisional sub-depots. Such requisitions are, in fact, sometimes forwarded to the Ministry in error.
3. Instead, in the case of supplies not available at divisional sub-depots, requisitions will be forwarded through official Italian channels to the Ministry of War, who will ask MMIA for a certificate of non-availability from Italian sources, after which requisitions will be forwarded to Q (AE) of the HQ.

I shall therefore be obliged if you S.M. will request the
proper authorities to see that it may be possible to pass the
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required by the, the continued lack of which would ~~be~~ ~~be~~
~~and~~ ~~the~~ ~~operation~~ crisis. their operations.

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3rd District for subsequent Air mission and allotment on the part of Q (AE) of A.F.H.Q.

4. We hereby confirm that a copy of the requisitions forwarded to the Ministry of War by your H.Q. must be sent to the MMIA LO at this Command.

Signed: M. A. Zizzo
Lt. Col.
Office Head

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Stralcio all.2 del foglio 13753/Ora.1 del 28/5/1945
del MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA -S.M.R.E.- Uff.Ora.e Mob.

HQ's and units COMANDI E REPARTI	N. dello organico	Auto vehicles Automezzi	Motorcycles Motocicli	Remarks Note
820° Gruppo F.E.	CM/980/1	2	2	
830° Comp. Mob. Foto	CM/982/1	2	1	
841° Plt. Fisso Foto	CM/984/1	1	1	
842° " " "		1	1	
843° " " "		1	1	
844° " " "		1	1	
845° " " "		1	1	
846° " " "		1	1	
847° " " "		1	1	
848° " " "		1	1	
471° Officina Mobile	CM/981/1	1	1	Dispone già di due automezzi. Ne mancano altri due. ■ already two has 2 motor vehicles. Two more are also wanted.

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Subject: Obsolete Vehicles

Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/5/8 ✓

30 July 1945

To : Minister for War

78/1 Peter (Attachment)

Reference your 14424/21 of 13 July 1945

1. After receipt of your communication and further investigation by your office and our Liaison Officer, it has been determined that only 11 of the vehicles mentioned by you are actually available in Rome.
2. At the express request of the Director of the Public Health Sub Commission, ALCOM, it has become necessary to allot two of these vehicles to the Italian Red Cross and the other nine will be allotted to the Society for the Reconstruction of Ecclesiastical Buildings as requested by you. Release orders are attached, and you will make arrangements with the parties concerned to accept these vehicles under the conditions prescribed by you. The vehicles will be struck off the list of Italian Army vehicles.
3. When additional vehicles of this type become available, you may advise us, and action will be taken to release them in accordance with your request.


CLAYTON F. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

cc: Public Health Sub Commission, ALCOM
Comm Angelo Framba

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Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/5/8
30 July 1945

Comm Angelo Framba
Via Degli Scipioni, 191
Rome, Italy

Dear Mr. Framba:

In reply to your letter of 14 July, please note the attached copy of letter to the Minister for War and a copy of the release note covering nine vehicles.

You should contact the Minister for War and secure these nine vehicles. If and when additional vehicles become available, they will be released to the Minister for War and allotted to you as requested by the War Ministry.

Yours very truly,

CLAYTON P. KERR, Colonel
for Major General
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

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Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)
Rome
Q/5/8

27 July 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Executive Commissioner, ALCOM

1. Lt Colonel Albert, our Liaison Officer in Sardinia, reports that various Allied officers, principally from ALCOM, show up in Sardinia and ask for transportation for periods of several days.
2. The Allied transport at our disposal in Sardinia is now three vehicles. All of this transport is occupied most of the time on assigned duties, and is not available to visiting officers.
3. It is therefore necessary that officers planning trips outside Cagliari make arrangements for transportation prior to going to Sardinia, if necessary shipping a vehicle from the mainland for this purpose. Neither Italian Army or Italian civilian vehicles are available for visiting officers.
4. Accommodations for officers in Sardinia is available only at Cagliari where Colonel Albert can handle a limited number of US officers only if he has prior notification, and British officers can be accommodated by the RAF at Elmas, where the British officers must make their own arrangements. Officers traveling around the Island outside Cagliari must provide their own rations.
5. I request that you bring this to the attention of all ALCOM officers in order to avoid a waste of time and disappointments.

L. Browning

5266

Major General.
Land Forces
Sub Commission, AC (MMIA)

CPK/lak

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