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AMMO - GENERAL

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Dec. 1944 - Jan 1945

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 U.S. ARMY

Q. 251/1

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FJM/mv

SUBJECT: Ammunition

25 Jan 45

TO : HQ Allied Commission
(attention: Land Forces SC)
MIA

Not attached

Reference attached letter from Ministry of
War 1088 of 17 Jan 45.
1658

1. The attached is forwarded for information and for any observations you may wish to make thereon. Please note that Ord MTOUSA have asked the firm of STACCHINI to collect in unsalvageable American ammunition for conversion to mining explosives for Allied Commission, and G-4 (American) of this Headquarters, have given authority for this task to be carried out within Rome Area.

2. Please return attached letter.

for
ALBAN LOW
Brigadier
Deputy Commander

*Copy wanted for
MIA of 17 Jan 45.
Letter sent 27 Jan 1945*

see p. 110

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Translation

From: SMRC.
 To: MIMA.

AQ 23/1

Ref: 7/186/Sec
 Date: 24th Jan 45.

(197)

Subject: Arms & Amms for units located in Tuscany.

Delegation T of the SMRC pointed out that a large number of urgent requests for Ammunition, spare parts and Amms are forwarded by its dependant units located in advanced areas as well as by Patriotic units employed by Allied AGs.

Since such requests are urgent and that it is impossible to get a time supply from the South which for various reasons are carried out with delay, Delegation T suggests the formation ~~at Florence~~ of an Artillery Depot at Florence as it is being short for clothing and equipment.

This office agrees ^{yes}.

The depot in question could begin to be formed with salvaged materials in Tuscany and then possibly supplied by the South.

In such a way Delegation T this would be put in a position to meet all their urgent requests for which only MIMA authority would be required before the issue can be made.

(Sgd) H. JONT.

Sgt. FADRE

See ~~with~~ Plan

Pol Ren at 7407

See 740215 subject

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SIGNAL

146/23/11

FROM: NMIA

DATE TIME

TO (FOR ACTION): DISTENSE EAST

24 1500 A

To (INFO) : 5 ARMY FOR NMIA LO

AQ 2616

1844/1

RESTRICTED

FOR STAFF CAPT AMH (.) YOUR COM/ED/4059 (5) DATED 20 JAN (.) SHIPMENT OF
 84 MM MORTAR BOMBS TO MONTICATINI (.) REQUEST YOU SIGNAL SENIOR NMIA LO
 FIFTH ARMY COPY THIS HQ NIA AND WAGON BOX NUMBERS

PRECEDENCE

URGENT

IDENTIFICATION

PP-6-5-11

1406

Translation

FROM: WAR MINISTER
TO: M.P.I.A.

AQ 23/1

REF: 1538/39.
DATE: 23 JAN 1945.

192/1

Subject: Drawing of Materials.

43 1st packet

Reference letter AQ/23/1 of 21 December 1944.

We would inform you that the Directorate of Artillery has withdrawn from the Main Gun Park, 557 B.O.D., the A.A. mountings, complete, for 20 m.m. Perlikon which are referred to in the a/m letter.

Sgd. PROPERZS.

alam.

PPE

1405

(191)

Subject: Transfer of Italian Arms and Ammunition to CC.RR.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AO/23/1

28 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War. 168

1. Reference your letters 4/1043/Serv dated 19 Dec 44, 4/112/Serv dated 20 Jan 45 and 200812/11 dated 16 Jan 45, relating to requests for supplies of arms and ammunition to be transferred from your Ministry to the Public Safety General Directorate for issue to the CC.RR.

2. As the items detailed in the third letter appear to be an additional request, you will please obtain from the Public Safety Directorate a consolidated list of CC.RR requirements and forward it to this HQ. The matter will then be taken up again with A.F.H.Q.

P. P. P.

PPH/la

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

Copy to: Public Safety Sub Comm. A.C.

See File 214

1404

Subject: 81 mm Mortar Bombs.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/23/1

23 Jan 1945

To: Peninsular Base Section

Reference your signal 661 RPORD dated 16 Jan and our signal AQ2586 dated 18 Jan, addressed to 3 District (East), copy to you. Attached is a copy of reply received from 3 District (East), ref OSM/ED/4039(5) dated 20 Jan, which is passed to you for information.

PPF/le

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

1403

Subject: Arms and Equipment for Italian Pack Tpt Coys.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
AC/23/1

23 Jan 1945

To: Commanding General, Fifth Army.

Attached is a translated copy of a letter received from the Ministry of War, ref 826/67/A1 dated 19 Jan 1945, which is forwarded to you for information.

PPV/1c

Copy to: Senior MMIA LG, Fifth Army
G(3D) MMIA
G(AM) MMIA

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P. P. PARDALL
P. P. PARDALL, J/Comm.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

1402

COST TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War.

Ref: 826/67/M

To: MIA (Info)

Date: 19 Jan 45

Subject: Issue of Arms and Equipment for Pack Tpt Units.

Reference 43/23/1 dated 9 Jan 45 addressed to S.M.R.E.

The Directorates addressed above will issue to XI^o Pack Tpt Group, 210 Inf. Div. the following material:-Art. Direct. Cosenza.

Automatic Pistols Beretta Type 34 Cal. 9	27
Pistol Holsters " " " "	27
Pistol Magazines " " " "	27
Carbine Type 91 T.E. Cal. 6.5	900
Carbine Type 91 T.E. Bayonets	200
Carbine Slings	900
Leather Pouches Type 907	900
Leather Bands for Belts 91	900
Belts with Attachments	900
En. Carts, light	12

Art. Direct Taranto.

Carbine Type 91 T.E. Cal. 6.5	264
Carbine Bayonets Type 91 T.E. with Scabbard	964
Carbine Slings	264
Leather Pouches Type 907	264
Leather Bands for Belts Type 91 with buckles	264
Belts with attachments	264
L.E.C.s, Breda 30 Cal. 6.5	15
En. Carts, light	3
Carbons with Pack Saddles for draft	20

Art. Direct of Cosenza and Taranto will dispatch urgently the a/m stores to S.F.O. 5th Army at Vicarello.

Transport will be demanded from S.M.R.E. Transport Office.

Inform this office on completion.

Sgd. Col. G. Casaparra

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ANK/awm

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 386.3/053 J-0

21 January 1945

SUBJECT: Non Italian Military Materiels.

TO : President, Allied Commission, APO 394.
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission, (LMIA). ?~~42~~ 42/23/1

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1. Reference letter, Headquarters Land Forces Sub-Commission, (LMIA), Allied Commission, file number SD/1/2, dated 25 November 1944, subject: "Non Italian Military Materiels", you are advised that allocations for disposal of certain non-Italian materiels are in process of preparation.

2. Request that Quartermaster (CEMS), this headquarters, be furnished with an inventory of captured ammunition held in Italian depots. Further request that the inventory be furnished using the nomenclature in the language of the nationality of origin, ie, German ammunition in German, etc. Personnel for translation of an inventory as technical as ammunition are not available to this office.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:



[Signature]
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
26 JAN 1945

A. C.

See folio 276 3rd packet.

RESTRICTED

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Subject: Captured Enemy Equipment.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/23/1

21 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War.

100/1 1st jacket

1. Reference your 3077421/1 dated 30 Dec 44 attached is a copy of letter received from AFHQ, addressed to DDO3 North Africa District (ref DCS/2016 (Ord.2) dated 8 Jan 45). — 134

2. You are requested to confirm to this HQ your agreement as to the suggestion that the remaining items of equipment should be disposed of as salvage.

P. R. Fardell

PFF/1c

P. R. FARDALL, J/Comm.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: AFHQ (Ord Br)

148/1 2nd jacket
168/1 1399
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The Units shown here under have handed in the following ammunition to the Artillery Detachment of Bn 21.

20th ACK. ACK unit (Head Unit).

Shells H.E. 75/27 C.A. with fuse Mod. 06/17	909
" " " " " without fuse	2609
" " 75/46 C.A. with fuse Mod 36	269
" " 76/40 C.A. " " " "	14508
" " " " " without fuse	1
" " " " A.N. with fuse O.T. 32 and normal primary.	1.086
" " " " A.N. without " with detector and " "	100
" " " " A.N. with fuse O.T. 32. and primary V.R.	514
" " " " A.N. exercise with Secondary Wornel type.	72.
" " " " A.N. " " " V.R. type.	40
Star shell 76/40 A.N. with O.T. 32 time fuse	89
" " " " " without fuse, with det and primary.	12
Incrt shell " " with dummy fuse for instruction.	24
Shell H.E. " " C.A.R.M. with O.T. 32 fuse and primary V.R.	1075
" " " " " without fuse, with secondary V.R.	3600
shell blanks. 76/40.	142.
primers percussion Mod. 35.	19.235.
fuse O.T. 32 Delay.	1298'7
<u>1424 88 M Troop.</u>	
Shell H.E. 88/50 complete.	2214.
" " 88/50 ground contact fuse complete.	372.
" A.P. 88/50 complete.	323

329 - 330 and 331 searchlight troops.

6.5^{mm} Ball ammo for M40 go rifles in slips. 7-032.

HANSFIELD

Subj: 81 mm Bombs : 5 Army.

3 District Eastern Det.
Tel: 13507

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.

To: M.M.I.A. ROME.

OSL/ED/4039 (5)

30 Jan 45.

1. Ref. your Signal AQ 2586 of 18 Jan 45 and your letter AQ/23/1 of 16 Jan 45. — 154

It is confirmed the 2,000, 81 mm Bombs will be despatched to 5 Army at Montecastini in a box truck as requested by Penbase.

2. There is a stoppage on loadings to destinations North of Rome until 21 Jan 45.

Truck allocation and movement of the ammunition is being arranged by ADOS (Ann) A.F.H.Q.

On commencement of loading again and Movements authority the Mortar Bombs will be despatched.

3. Under your instructions part of Italian Ammunition Stocks at 14 B.A.D. have been evacuated to Lecce and Taranto, included in which is 34,000 Mortar Bombs 81 mm to the latter destination.

The Stock at 14 B.A.D. is 26,000 light and 17,000 heavy, in consequence on A.F.H.Q.'s figures of 54,000, the bombs will be the light type.

If they are satisfactory and the balance is required 24,000 can be despatched from 14 B.A.D., but it will be necessary for the 30,000 to be sent from the Italian Depot at Taranto under your arrangements.

J. C. Sharp

(J.C. SHARP.)
Staff Capt. Ann.
for Col. DDOB.

Copy: D.O.S., A.F.H.Q.

D.D.O.S. 3 District.

A.D.O.S., 15 Army Group.

H.Q. 5 Army.

*See Julio 190
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*Shaw E. H. 4:397
23/1 ppr*

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Subject: Release of Arms.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
AQ/23/1

20 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War.

Reference your 4/49/serv dated 9 Jan 45.

Authority to release the two guns 90/53 was given by AFHQ under their reference PX73618 dated 25 Dec 44.

87 let jacket

PFF/le

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

Copy to: NMIA LD Naples

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
QM(CMS)

19 January 1945

SUBJECT : Captured Enemy Materiel.
 TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission, (LFLA),
 A.C.

~~551~~ HQ/23/1
 28/1

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1. Reference your SD/1/2 dated 25 November 1944.

2. It is requested that the Allied equipment as listed below, if serviceable, be handed in to nearest Ordnance Depots of the country of origin, if unserviceable, to be handed in to Salvage.

(a) Territory under the jurisdiction of the Military Engineering Command of Campania:

415 shovels
 10 different type chipping hammer
 9 ground drills
 3 wire nets for roads
 4 matings for same

551 HQ/23/1
 Naples

(b) Territory under the jurisdiction of the Military Engineering Command of Puglia and Lucania:

about 30 mines (British)

Note: See N. 4
 16/1/45
 HQ/23/1
 27/1/45

(c) Territory under the jurisdiction of the Military Engineering Command of Sicily:

20 iron buckets
 10 two volt batteries
 1 duplicator

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3. The 10 mines (French) in territory under the jurisdiction of the Military Engineering Command of Puglia and Lucania should be handed over to Commandant TOURNAI, Director du Service du Matériel de la Base 903, MATS.

HCG/sp

Luciano Stanek
 MAJ. G. GLASSCOCK,
 Major., Inf.,
 QM(CMS).

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See Folio 237 + 253/6

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Subject: Artillery Firing Tables.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
R O M E
AQ/23/1

19 Jan 45.

To : AFHQ

Reference G-5 311.18 of 22 December 44.

1. Enclosed are the following Artillery Tables:

Gun 75/27 mm mods 911-906-912 Projectile Mod 32

Gun 75/27 mm " " " " Armored ^{US} piercing

Gun 75/27 mm " " " " Shrapnel

2. These are all the Range Tables for this gun that are available from the Ministry of War.

D.S.L. Gregson
D.S.L. GREGSON, Major,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

/wk

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Translation (169)
 From Min. of War
 To MMCA AG 23/1 Ref. 1292/100
 Date Jan 18, 1945
 Subject Italian 81 mm mortars.

Further to letter 20616/6343 119
 dated 4th inst. we report the following
 in regard to the storing of 152
 81 mm mortars at NAPLES and
 the 50, ^{mortar} barrels issued to the 5th Army.

BARI TERRITORIAL Hq - reported on Jan 7th.

- a) 20 81 mm mortars and 50 mortar barrels were shipped from TARANTO Jan. 4.
- b) 13 81 mm mortars were shipped from BARI on Jan 11.

NAPLES ARTY DIRECTORATE

Reported on Jan 10 that it has
 ordered the ^{shipment} of 40 mortars.

CALABRIA MIL. Hq.

Informed us that the ¹²⁹³ mortars
 which are to be issued by the COSENZA
 Arty Directorate (68) and those to be issued
~~and stored~~ by 20th Inf Regt. (11) were
 ready on 10th inst at the COSENZA railway
 station for loading. War said material
 Serfolio 225/1 2nd part.

it has asked us to request the assignment of a railway car.

On the 10th inst, the assignment of the above railway car was requested ~~by~~ ^{from} SMRE's Transport Office.

Successively, the CALABRIA m. it. Ry ~~has~~ reported to SMRE that said car was NOT sufficient and therefore requested the assignment of another railway car.

In regard to the assignment of of the a/m vehicles, the SMRE has reported that MMIA - Transport Office ~~under the name of~~ has canceled:

- 1st car from Jan 22 to Jan 28
- 2nd car from Jan 29 to Feb. 4.

Sgd/ Gen. PROPERZJ

Cpl. F.C.



Translation.

HQ 23/1

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From. M of W
to M M I A.

Ref. no 200812/11

Date 18 Jan. 45

Requirements of arms and ammunition
for Public safety Guard Corps

The Ministry of the interior
Public safety General Directorate have send
to this ministry, having informed Public
safety sub commission, a request for
the arms and ammunition required for
the arming of the Public safety police.

The material requested is as follows
and held by the City Directorates as shown
hereunder.

Rifles MOD 91	3000	COSENZA	city direct.
Ball ammo for LMG cal. 6.5	200.000	RDS.	" " "
" " for MNG cal 8 ^{mm}	100.000	RDS.	" " "
Hand grenades	5.000		" " "
Ball ammo for 91 st Rifle 6.5 ^{mm}	150.000	RDS	NUORO " "

We beg M M I A to give us their
approval.

R. Mangano

Allegato 1392

see Police 91
59/5 314
J. P. L.

See Folio 191-214

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Translation

From. SMRE

to. MMIA for Information.

22/23/1

Ref No 4/161/ser.

Date 18 Jan. 45.

Request for arms and Equipment for
mule transport unitsRef to letter 4/98/ser dated 13 inst from SMRE
and to phonogramme 4/139/ser. dated 17 inst.While carrying out the issue of material
to xx mule transport group 210th Div. as listed
in referred to letter, Please bear in mind that
among said material are included the materials
already assigned to 210 Div with letter 46/1 dated
4th inst.We beg you on other hand to issue (7.5) Carbines
in lieu of the 776 rifles assigned on letter 46/1

R. Dampier

SANTI

Shown to Van Kerk 23/1
who approved type of weapon
PPK.

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*Translation.**From: H of W**Ref: 100**To: NMIA for information Date 13/1/45*

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D6/23/1

MMIA

1960 A

DISTRICT EAST

AFHQ; 16 ARMY GROUP; 5 ARMY; PERBACH;
 PERBACH; MMIA 10 5 ARMY; MMIA 10
 54 AREA

AQ2586

RESTRICTED

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FOR STAFF CAPT AMMUNITION (.) REF SIGNAL FROM PERBACH
 661 CITE SPORD OF 161037A ADDRESSED MMIA COPY TO YOU (.)
 CONFIRM YOU ARE TAKING NECESSARY ACTION AS REQUESTED
 BY PERBACH REGARDING METHOD OF TRANSHIPMENT OF 81 MM
 MORTAR BOMBS TO FIFTH ARMY AT MONTECANTINI IN ACCORDANCE
 BY LETTER AQ/23/1 OF 16 DEC ADDRESSED FIFTH ARMY COPY
 TO YOU

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Let Feb 1941
 1390

IMPORTANT

PREF. H. 11

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Subject: Italian Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O N E .
AQ/23/1

18 Jan 45

MINISTRY OF WAR

This HQ has been informed by AFHQ that there is 250/300 tons of Italian ammunition lying on a site close to 25 A.A.D. at CHIARAVALLIE.

It has been examined by an Italian officer who stated that a complete examination was necessary as components were missing. Since then considerable pilferage of wooden packages has taken place and much of the ammunition rendered unserviceable.

You will arrange for a proper examination of this ammunition immediately and to report to this HQ whether all, or part of it, is serviceable or alternatively whether you recommend its destruction.

Please treat this matter as urgent.

P.P. Farwell

P.P. FARWELL Jn. Comdr.
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

PF/hh

Copy to: AFHQ (your DOS/55/2(4) dated
Ord British. 15 Jan 45 refers.

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MOW LO Log 30 Jan Status
offer already left for America
in dead mail matter
See To be 2/5/1 3rd packet
285 3rd packet
335 4
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Subject: Temporary Loan of Arms and Ammunition to CC.RR.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
A2/23/1

17 Jan 1945

To: Public Safety Sub Commission, A.C.

Reference attached request.

1. Reference your request for me to authorise the transfer of the arms and ammunition to the CC.RR, this is approved.
2. The instructions as regards the use of these arms and ammunition is of course a matter for you to authorise.

Signed. L. Browning

Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy him of war. by hand
maj Byatt. 17/1

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LEGIONE TERRITORIALE DEI CARABINIERI REALI DE ROMA
-UFFICIA SERVIZIO-

PROMEMORIA

Roma, li 17 Jan. 1945-

AL MAGGIORE COXHEAD - Via Lucullo n°6 -

R O M A

For the services mentioned the following material is required within today:-

200 Automatic Rifles with at least 60 rds per rifle.

500 Beretta pistols, calibre 9, with two loaded magazines.

By 04.30 hrs tomorrow, 20 lorries should be placed at my disposal at a point which I will report before 12.00 hrs today.

IL T.COLONNELLO COMMANDANTE
-Carlo Perinetti -

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RAAC

AQ 2569

CONFIDENTIAL

FOR Q/AE AND ORD (.) SUBJECT IS ADGE CLOTHING AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT FOR
 GROUND COMBAT GROUP REFS CENTRE (.) INDEBT'S PLACED ON ADGE RAAC (.)
 REQUEST HE MAY BE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH PROVISION ACTION AND ISSUES

Lee Folio 1866
 1386

Important

William Brown.

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Subject: Italian Ammunition.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/23/1

16 Jan 1945

To: Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command.

Reference your Q254/2 dated 1 Dec 44.

Information has been received from the Italian War Ministry that the Rome Arty Directorate have withdrawn the 150 hand grenades located in the 30 Indian General Hospital.

P. P. Fardell

PPF/le

P. P. FARDELL, J/Comm,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

See Folio 145

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Subject: Issue of 81 mm Mortar Bombs.

Land Forces Sub Com. A.C.
(M.E.I.A.) H O M S
AC/23/1

16 Jan 1945

To: Hq. 5 Army

1. Reference AFHQ signal PAB4115 dated 13 Jan 45 addressed to this Hq., copy to you, in answer to our signal A2549 of 11 Jan, of which you also have a copy.

2. The Ministry of War is being instructed to release the 3000 81 mm mortar bombs from 14 B.A.D. It is understood, through the SCIA 10 Major Van Kirk, that you are prepared to collect them. Please make necessary arrangements through Staff Capt (ammunition) 3 District East.

P. P. Farrell

P. P. Farrell, I/Comd.
for Major General,
M. E. I. A.

PP/10

Copy to: A.P.H.Q.
15 Army Group
3 District East
Purchase
Ministry of War

- Please arrange release of above amn. After trials have been carried out, it is possible that the balance, as stated by you to consist of 24,000 rds, will be required by Fifth Army.

SCIA 10 Bari
SCIA 10 5 Army

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See Folio 163

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Translation.

From. M of W
to. MM 117

AQ 23/1

Ref. No 798/14
Date. 15 Jan. 45

Disbanding of ACK. ACK and coastal units

Herewith list of ammunition handed in up to and including today to the depots depending from the City Directorate of TORONTO by the disbanded units.

We will send you as soon as possible a list showing other material handed in.

PROPERZJ

Heading on ammo list

The following ammunition has been handed in to the under listed depots. This ammunition will be shown on situation reports as soon as checked over and use for it has been found.

R. Langford.

PPV

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See Folio 184/3

DR/mb

DIREZIONE AMMINISTRATIVA DEL COM. MIL.
DELLA FUCILIA E MORTAI
Sezione Esplosivi

n. 23758 di prot.

Taranto 26/12/944

Oggetto: materiali dei reperti impiegati in difesa controaerea e costiera.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - DIREZ. GEN. ARM.
Divisione Armamento Sezione 2^a

R O M A

Riferimento dispaccio n. 27/3587 del 17/11/944 di codesto Ministero.

A tutt'oggi, presso i sottoposti depositi direzionali, sono state verificate le seguenti munizioni, le quali saranno portate in cimento nelle situazioni man mano che saranno revisionate e trovate di pronto impiego:

DEPOSITI DIREZIONALI DI TARANTO

20° MAGGIORAMENTO (Reparto - Comando):

- bossoli da 75/40 snerati.....	12
- cannoni modello 35.....	12
- tappi fusi cannoni modello 29 di ottone.....	12
- cartucce da segnalazione (50 per colore).....	150
- cartucce a pallottola cal. 7,35.....	13.932
- razzi mod. 35.....	59
- razzi a fumata rossa.....	33
- rachette grandi.....	20

31^a Batteria

- razzi modello 35.....	610
- razzi a fumata monocolor.....	13

30^a Batteria

- cariche di rinforzo mod. 05.....	1000
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- canneli modello 35..... 12
 - tappi falsi canneli modello 29 di ottone..... 150
 - cartucce da segnalazione (50 per colore)..... 13.932
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 7,35..... 59
 - razzi mod. 35..... 33
 - razzi a funata rossa..... 29
 - micchetta grandi.....

21° Batteria

- razzi modello 35..... 610
 - razzi a funata rosso-coscia..... 13

20° Batteria

- cariche di rinforzo mod. 05..... 1382
 - cariche d'infiammazione..... 340
 - canneli mod. 35..... 2.704
 - apoderte a taglio mod. 05/17..... 4
 - chiave per canneli..... 450
 - cartucce da segnalazione (150 per colore)..... 8.030
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 8..... 3.815
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 7,35.....

190° Batteria

- canneli mod. 35..... 505
 - canneli mod. 35 separati..... 10
 - tappi di legno..... 100
 - tappi falso cannelo allungato..... 105
 - cartucce a pallottola 2. Etienne originale..... 5.405
 - cartucce a pallottola 3. Etienne traccianti..... 1.351
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 8..... 250
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 7,35..... 3.142
 - cartucce a mitraglia cal. 7,35..... 12
 - cartucce a pallottola cal. 6,5..... 73

193 Batterie

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- canneli mod. 35.....	532
- tappi Kalso cannello ottone.....	1.247
- " " di alluminio.....	551
- " " di bachelite.....	35
- " " ".....	5
- borzoli da 75/40.....	33
- " " 75/40 separati.....	3.220
- cart. a pallott. S. Etienne ordinarie.....	1.500
- " " " traccianti.....	1.074
- " cal. 7,35 frangibili.....	108
- " a pallott. cal. 5,5.....	39
- canneli mod. 35 separati.....	3.258
- cartucce a pallott. cal. 7,35.....	

194 Batterie

- borzoli da 76/40 separati.....	48
- canneli mod. 35.....	43
- cartucce a pallott. S. Etienne ordinarie.....	5.050
- " " " traccianti.....	1.233
- " " cal. 7,35.....	5.524
- " " mitraglia cal. 7,35.....	8
- " a pallott. cal. 6,5.....	24
- " " 6,5 frangibili.....	12

195 Batterie

- borzoli da 76/40.....	108
- " " 75/40 separati.....	221
- canneli mod. 35.....	545
- canneli mod. 35 separati.....	329
- tappi di bachelite.....	15
- spoliette O.T. 32.....	32
- " O.T. 32.....	128
- " O.T. 32.....	40
- canneli modello 35.....	50
- " a funesta monocolore.....	3.535
- cartucce a pallott. S. Etienne ordinarie.....	1.455
- " " " traccianti.....	3.114

-	"	"	cel. 1,35	.....	.....	.....	5
-	"	"	mitraglia cal. 7,35	.....	.....	.....	24
-	"	"	a pallott. cal. 5,5	.....	.....	.....	12
-	"	"	"	5,5	frangibili	.....	.....

195^a Batterie

-	bo	poli	da	75/40	.....	shell	.....	76/40	.....	.....	108
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	221
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	545
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	329
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	128
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.535
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.455
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.714
-	"	"	"	75/40	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.188

305^a Batterie

-	bo	poli	da	37/54	separati	.....	shell	.....	37/54	.....	40
-	"	"	"	37/54	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135
-	"	"	"	37/54	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.300
-	"	"	"	37/54	separati	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.300

243^a Batterie

-	spole	tte	a	tango	mod.	06/17	.....	.....	.....	.....	788
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.542
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.985
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.633
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.533
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.940
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.250
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.150
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.754
-	"	"	"	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	55

$$A_1 A_2 \cdots A_n + A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1} A_n$$

№	bo-soli de 75/27	c.c. sparat. shell. cano 75/27 act act. find	65
-	canelli modello 35	sparat. puma. 3 s. find	65
-	spiolette a tempo mod. 06/17	de. cas. find. mod. de 1/17	2.047
-	tapi di lega 2 de 75	stoppara. c. alloy. 7.5	1.345
-	canelli mod. 35	pinna. al. 35	2.003
-	tappi fald canelli di ottone fald. stoppara. brass.	"	15
-	"	di alluminio.	1.971
-	cartuccie sparat. de 77/28	con spiolette. H.F. 77/28 shells	4.199
-	cartuccie modello 35	de. l'armata. de. 35. H.F. 35 shells	787
-	cartuccie a pello+cola	S. Etienne ordinarie. S. Etienne. Bullawa	15.394
-	"	"	1.252
-	"	traccianti.	802
-	"	cal. 8	4.850
-	"	" 7,35	108
-	"	" 5,5	36
-	"	" 5,3	
-	"	Frangibili. buck shot	

445 Batavia[illegible]

1503^o Batteria da 20 mm.

- cartucce da segnalazione (28 per colore). original. cartucce	64
- caricatori di cartucce a pallottola cal. 5,55 cal. p. s. d. pallottola	894
- caricatori di cartucce a pallottola cal. 5,55 frangibili	98
- rottami di ottone in bossoli d. cal. 5,55. cartucce	17.000
- rottami di ottone in caricatori. cal. 5,55. cartucce. pallottola?	3.500
- cartocci granata da 20 c.e. mod. 41. 22. 27. H.E. shell. m. m.	489
- cartocci granata da 20 c.e. mod. 35. 28. 29. H.E. shell. m. m.	1.252
- cartocci granata da 20 c.e. mod. 35. 28. 29. H.E. shell. m. m.	5.284
- cartocci granata da 20 c.e. mod. 35. 28. 29. H.E. shell. m. m.	28.095

1513^o Batteria

- cartocci granata c.e. da 20 Rheinmetall 20. m. shell. cal. 5,55. m. m.	270
- cartocci granata perf. da 20 Rheinmetall. m. m. m. H.E. shell. cal. 5,55. m. m.	801

4^a Compagnia Mitraglieri

- cartocci granata c.e. da 20 mod. 35. 28. 29. H.E. shell. m. m. 3.5"	12.435
- cartocci granata c.e. da 20 Rheinmetall. 20. m. H.E. shell. cal. 5,55. m. m.	3.974
- pacchi di cartucce a pallottola frangibili cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	29
- caricatori di cartucce a pallottola frangibili cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	8
- cartucce a pallottola frangibili cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	4
- caricatori di cartucce a pallottola cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	414
- invogli.	419

3^o Reparto Medico

- bombe a mano S.A.C.I. Hand. frangibili. S.R.C.M.	922
- bombe a mano O.T.O.	4
- bombe a mano Breda.	4
- cartucce a pallottola cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	25.532
- cartucce a mitraglia cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	2.580
- cartucce a pallottola cal. 7,35. d. cal. 7,35. m. m.	72
- cartucce frangibili cal. 5,55. d. cal. 5,55. m. m.	12

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Tel : Freedom 801

Ref : DOS/55/2(4)

Date : 15 Jan 45

Subject : Italian AmnH.A. M.H.I.A. Rome
D.D.C.S. No 1 District
C.O.O. 25 A.A.D.

1. We are informed by C.O.O. 25 A.A.D. CHIARAVALLE that there is 250/300 tons of Italian Amn on a site close to his depot.

It was examined by an Italian Officer who stated that a complete examination was necessary as components were missing. Since then considerable pilferage of wooden packages has taken place, and much of the amn rendered unserviceable.

2. Will you either arrange to examine and dispose of this amn or give authority for its destruction.

K. Steel
K.L. Steel Lt. Col.
for Maj-Gen
D.C.S. A.F.H.Q.

See Folio 11378

Installation
 From SMRE
 To. Min. of War
 Subject Request for armament & equipment for Pack transport units.

AQ 23/1 Ref. 4/98/Secr.

Date Jan 13, 1945

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Please assign urgently the following materials to the 20th Pack transport Group of the 21st Inf. Div:

- ✓ 45 - Pistol - Beretta, cal. 9. complete
- ✓ 1940 - Rifle - mod. 91, complete with equipment
- ✓ 25 - L. M.G. cal 6, 5 complete
- ✓ 20 - Br casts
- ✓ 20 - ~~Br~~ harness for br. casts

The shipment may be effected to FLORENCE on to the railway head line of the ~~5th Army~~ at

McCARELL

opt VC

Ref. 18/1

Ref. 18/1

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8 23/1 144
Subject: Release of Equipment

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
AS/3

12 January 1945

To: Comando Artiglieria Napoli

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ✓
Direzioe Artiglieria
203 Fixed Defences

82 not correct
1. Reference by AS/3 of 23 December 1944, not to all, subject release of two 96/53 guns to 203 Fixed Defences (AFHQ Signal RA 73618 of 23 December 1944). Two telescope sights required for these guns have now been found on ISCHIA. 203 Fixed Defences are, in addition, retaining three further telescope sights available there.

George E. Smith, Jr.
GEORGE E. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

See 136/1

100-5

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Translation.

From: m of L.

To: m m 113.

Ref: 9277 A II.

Date: 11th Jan. 45.

143/1

Subject: Italian Arms and Ammunition.

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AQ 23/1

Ref. AB/23/1 dated 2nd inst.

Information received in this office, relative to the transfer to Naples of materials stored in localities as listed in para. 6 of AB/23/1 dated 7th Dec. 44, have been forwarded to you in signal 20462/6309 dated 5th Jan. 45.

The date on which all materials are handed over to Naples P.B.S., will be forwarded later.

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57. PROCE

The info requested at 107 is already supplied at 143. and relative to make 1st make.

The info requested by HQ/13 done relate to 5 Army Special Ops. P.P.F.

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1st packet

(Sgd) Gen. P.G. PROVERA.

See files 90
229/2 2nd packet

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET - 5th ARMY

OFFICE C-4 Rear

FILE NO.

SUSPEND DATE

Subject: Italian Arms for Pack Mule Coys

AQ 23/1

RCV/jad

Inl. No.	From	To	Date	
	Deck Rear Sr MMIA LO	LFSCAC (MMIA)	11 Jan 1945	1. Reference your AQ/23/1 of 8 January 1945, which was misdirected to "Br Incr". 2. Reference your query 3 (a). The answer is Yes, the arms and equipment requested are for the 5 new pack mule companies and include the two referred to. 3. Reference your query 3 (b). The answer is, neither the Italians nor 5th Army want those big rifles up here for pack mule units. They are not feasible or practical for such units. Request you instruct them to fill the requisition as made and also tell them to send on the carts even though they only have 50 on the mainland. These items are operationally necessary. <i>R.C. Van Kirk</i> R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Infantry, Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army <i>See file 134</i> 1374

*Blue ink sent to
at 134 15 JAN 1945*

*M. W. Van Kirk
see LO Log 16 JAN.*

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AFHQ

FIFTH ARMY

MINISTRY OF WAR

AQ 2549

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THE 4 (SIN 7) (.) FIFTH ARMY STATE URGENTLY REQUIRE 01 AM MONTEN
 HOUSE (.) TOTAL HOUSE ITALIAN STORED AT 14 LAD ARE 20000 HOUSES (.)
 HOUSES AUTHORITY TO INCH HOUSE STORED TO FIFTH ARMY

Lee Folio 146
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F. A. 001

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FOR MMIA NO BR INCREMENT (.) YOUR 2026 OF 071656A (.) BR INCREMENT
FIFTH ARMY NOT INVOLVED (.) CONSIGNMENT SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY FIFTH
ARMY THEIR LETTER AS 471-2 OF 18 OCT REFERS

2 B not facted

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FILE

137/1

Subject: Ship Movement.

LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)
NAPLES
A2/L/RC

10 January 1945

Commanding Officer,
Allied Commission, Sardinia.

1. The Supreme Allied Commander has instructed this headquarters that you ship Forced Landing Parachute Flares to Palermo as soon as possible.
2. These Forced Landing Parachute Flares are to be loaded on the S.S. Brighton, whose ETA Cagliari, is 10 January 1945. This ship is not due to arrive at Cagliari before 14 January 1945. Agreed PSTD MED.
3. A reply is requested by you to AFHQ Signal FX 81335 dated 7 January 1945.

FX 81806

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

1371

Lee Folio 131/1

134

Subject: Italian Pack Mule Coys.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/23/1

9 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War.

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Reference letter 4/4100 dated 3 Jan 1945 received from S.M.R.S.

1. It is confirmed that the arms requested in this HQ letter AQ/23/1 dated 27 Dec 1944 for two newly formed Pack Mule Coys is a part of the present total commitment of five Coys to be formed in Fifth Army.

90
infantry

2. As regards para 3 of S.M.R.S.'s letter, it is considered that in spite of the scarcity of Bn. Carts, they should be provided for these units.

P. P. Padell

P/P/1e

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

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See File 170
333 infantry

SECRET

TSB/2
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133/2Subject: German Ammunition in SICILY.Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
40/23/1

9 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War

55 1st packet

Reference your 306535/CA dated 16 Dec 1944.

1. Your proposal to neutralise, instead of destroying, all German ammunition in SICILY is agreed on condition that a guarantee is made by you that all necessary measures will be taken to ensure that such neutralisation renders the material so obtained suitable only for industrial purposes and that it is not reconstructed for lethal use.
2. You are requested to ensure that this neutralisation is accomplished promptly and this HQ advised on completion of the project.

PWT/10

P. P. Paddell
P. P. PADDALL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.Copy to: A.F.H.Q.
WIA 10, Sicily (2)
(1 for Regional Commissioner)

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Lee Yoder 303/2
40/23/1
111/1

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject: Captured Enemy Equipment.

Ref: DOS/2016(Ord.2)
Tel: Freedom 813.
Date: 8th Jan. 45.

R.D.O.S., North Africa District.

1. Reference your OS/212 dated 11th Oct., 44 and subsequent returns of Captured Equipment held at NAOD.
2. Please arrange for Italian equipment enumerated at Appendix "A" attached hereto to be consigned direct to Ufficio Stralele dell'Officina Militare delle Trasmissioni, Viale Mazzini 8, ROMA. Packages should be stencilled accordingly.

Robert Haines
(C.C. Haines, Capt., for ADOS, Ord. 2)
for Major General
Director of Ordnance Services.

Copy to: D.A.D.O.S., Movements, A.F.H.Q.

Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission (AMIA), Rome.

Your AQ/23/1 dated 3 Jan. 45 refers.

Please forward disposal instructions in respect of remaining items of

Italian equipment quoted in our

DOS/2016/Ord. 2 dated 31st Oct., 44,

13th Nov., 44 and 8th Dec., 44. It is

suggested these items be disposed of to Salvage in North Africa.

See Folio 105

DOS/2016(Ord.2) dated 1 Oct 44.

Level Gauge Field Gun	1
Containers, 6-gal.	16
✓ Generators, Pedal	1
✓ Generators, (RAV 800)	1
✓ Charging Set	1
✓ Gauges, Pressure	1
✓ Telephone Switchboards	1
✓ Teleprinter Receiver	22
✓ Telephone	2
✓ Mine Detectors	1
✓ Frequency Meter	1
✓ Alimeter	1
✓ Theodolite	1
✓ Motor Electric	480
Rifles, Cal.6.35-mm.	104
Carabines, Cal.7.35-mm	1
Pistols, Signal	3
Carabine, Auto. Cal. 7.35-mm	2
M/Guns, Breda, Cal. 6.35-mm	10
" Model (42)	1
Rifles, Model (15)	11
Pistols Signal	4
Schiemier Pistols	12
Bayonets	

DOS/2016(Ord.2) dated 13 November 44.

✓ Teleprinter Receivers	2
✓ Telephones	7
✓ Superimposing Units	5
✓ Water Filters	129
Telenites (with case)	1
Bayonets	11

DOS/2016(Ord.2) dated 8 Dec 1944.

✓ Containers 6 gall.	6
✓ Gauges Pressure	1
✓ Telephone Switchboards	2
✓ Telephones	1
✓ Wireless Set.	1

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CONFIDENTIALSubject: Ammunition

22/23/1
LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
AR/3

10 Jan 6 January 1945.

To: Comando Artiglieria

Copy To: Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
Direzione Artiglieria, Naples

1. Instructions have been received from A.F.H.Q. to have 193 boxes of Italian 20 mm ammunition now located at 114 M.U. 'X' section R.A.F., CASERTA, removed as soon as possible.
2. 114 M.U. 'X' section is located on the right hand side of the main avenue to the Palace just before the level crossing and the officer to be contacted there is F/O MARTINDALE or F/O HOLT.
3. Please inform this office when this ammunition has been removed.

George D. Smith, Jr.
GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Major, Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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See Folio 112

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Subject: Italian Arms for Pack Mule Coys.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. E. T. A.) R O M S
AG/23/1

8 Jan 1945

To: Senior MIA LG, Br Iner. 5 Army.

1. Reference your inter-office reference sheet dated 17 Dec 1944 enclosing a requisition form No. 400 for arms to equip two newly formed Italian Pack Mule Coys.
2. Notification has been received from the Ministry of War that they have instructed the Arty Directorate Rome to issue the required weapons in accordance with your request. The weapons will be assigned to 210 Div and will be shipped under guard to the VICARELLO Railway Station. You will be informed later as to ETA.
3. Attached at Appx "A" is a translation of letter received from S.M.E.S.
 - (a) Can you please inform us as to whether the request by Fifth Army for arms and equipment for these five new pack transport units includes or is in addition to the above two coys referred to in paras 1 and 2 of this letter.
 - (b) Ref para 3 have you any comments regarding the type of weapon the S.M.E.S. propose to issue.

RTS/1c

P. P. FARRER, J/Ltd. Col.
for Colonel, DASHG
M. E. T. A.

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Copy to: Ministry of War.

AG/23/1

Follow 117 c 56 + 142

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Subject: Captured Equipment.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
A/23/1

8 Jan 1945

To: Ministry of War

1. Instructions have been received from AFHQ that the following equipment is to be made available to the Italian Army authorities:-

95 mm Hows (Italian)	quantity	2
20 mm Breda Gun	"	1

2. These are located at the Rear Gun Park of 557 Base Ord Depot, PORTICE NAPLES. You are requested to arrange for its collection through the Liaison Officer (MIA) at NAPLES and inform this HQ when collection has been completed.

P.P.P.

PPV/1a

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

Copy to: AFHQ (your DOS/2016/1(Ord 2) dated 4 Jan 45 refers)
MIA LO, NAPLES (Please advise the GOC of the Depot the date
on which collection will be made)
GOC, 557 B.O.D.
ORD

Filer 119/1364
A/23/1

Lee Folio 22
243/1 reflects

C O P YSUBJECT : TOXIC Ammunition.S E C R E THeadquarters,
15 Army Group.

5 January 45

406/G-3(CW)

Fifth Army
Eighth Army
No 1 District

- 1 In view of recent enquiries the attention of all Commanders is directed to AFHQ Operations Memorandum No 48, para 3a (1) dated 18 March 44. This states that "TOXIC munitions" will not be employed under any circumstances except on the orders of the Supreme Allied Commander.
- 2 The term "TOXIC Gas" as used in this directive is intended to include grenades or other munitions containing CN, DM or a combination of these agents, (i.e. Lachrymators or Sternulators), and it is emphasised that under no circumstances will CN, DM or CN-DM munitions be issued for use in emergencies involving civil disturbances. This restriction will apply equally to any requests for munitions of these types which may be initiated by Provost units for this purpose.
- 3 It is desired that all personnel in Chemical Warfare Service or Ordnance Depots and Storage points be cautioned against making any issues of such munitions without specific authority from this Headquarters.
- 4 Suitable security precautions will be maintained at all points where the above mentioned types of munitions are stored to ensure that they do not come into the possession of unauthorized persons.

GFP/LTB

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
for Major General,
Chief of Staff.

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Copy to: G-2
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RA
Provost
Civil Affairs.

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23/1
AQ. 5/1

Translation

From M of W
to MMIA

Ref^o 300205/2/CA.
Date 5 Jan. 1945.

Salvage of Material.

att.

Ref to letter SD/1/2 dated 30 sept 44

The unit in charge of the material referred to in the letter, informs us that they have carried out the salvage, except for the 105/20 guns situated at TARGUINIA and at MONTALTO DI CASTRO.

As soon as the conditions of the ground ^{are} ~~is~~ suitable and the proper factors ~~to~~ ^{are} available the recovery of those guns will be carried out.

R. Llanosfield

MICHELIS.

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RMF

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Subject: Collection of Italian Military Materials.

Military Mission
Italian Army,
R O M E
SD/1/2

30 Sep 44

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Abandoned Italian Military material has been reported in the following locations :-

- (a) At PASSO CONESE - 400 Italian rifles.
- (b) Approx 300 yards South of hospital in TARQUINIA - Two Italian 105/28 guns and ammunition.
- (c) In an area known as "RIMEDIA", approx 4 km SOUTH of MONTALTO di CASTRO and approx 2 km WEST of the main road - Four Italian 105/28 guns and some scattered ammunition.

2. The Ministry of War will arrange the collection of the above material, and report to this HQ when collection has been made.

J. G. Bird, Capt.

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J. G. BIRD Capt.
For Major General.
M. M. I. A.

JB/bh

Copy to: HQ RAAC (ref para 1(a) - your ORD/600/26 dated 26 Sep 44)

PBS Forward Echelon, Captured Enemy Material Section,
A.P.O. 782 US Army (ref para 1(b) and (c) - your letter of 24 Sep refers)

'G'. MMIA.

AQ 23/1

(123/1)

Translation

From. M of W
to MMH.

Ref. N° 20462/0309 A TE
Date. 5 Jan. 45.

Italian Arms and Ammunition ³⁶ ⁴¹⁰

Ref to letters HQ/23/1 of the 7th and 21st of December, we inform you that on the 16.12.44 orders have been sent by telegram for the transfer of material in the TARANTO, LECCE, COSENZA and CATANZARO, to CAMPANIA MIL Command NAPLES

Relative to this up to today the following shipment return have been received.

City Directorate COSENZA. On the 28.12.44, have been sent to NAPLES M/G FIAT MOD 85. 60

Rifles MOD 91

Carbiners MOD. 91

³⁰⁰
1300
300

City Directorate TARANTO. On the 20.12.44 have been sent to NAPLES 45th M BRIXIA Mortar. 31

140 Inf Depot LECCE on the 29.12.44 have been sent to NAPLES 45th M BRIXIA Mortar. 6

CAMPANIA MIL Comm. On the 21.12.44 informed us that the 11 mortar BRIXIA. moved to 207 Inf Regt Depot would be sent to NAPLES by lorry on the 28-12.44.

R. Mammale

See Folio 145/1

PROF
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Translation

From: JMM RE
To: M M / A

Ref: H/1/Sew.
Date: 4th Jan 66

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A2/23/1

Subject: Italian Ammunition stored at 16 B.A.D.

Ref AS/1983 dated 7th Oct 64

Having been informed to draw from 16 B.A.D. Italian Ammunition, All Campagna reported out that up to the present, the following quantities have been withdrawn:

- 20 mm Gun shells	8,900 rounds
- 47/32	1,200
- 105/28	30

The following quantities still remain in 16 B.A.D.

- 20 mm Gun shells	41,900 rounds
- 47/32	2,770
- 37/50	10,000
- 12 mm	2,000

These ~~above~~ could not be withdrawn owing to little transport availability.

(Sgd) F. SANTI

S/P ENCL

RRF

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all correspondence att.

Message Form.

Date TO

Aug
01/12/00

From: MIDA

THI

To : CCO 16 RAD rptd: PDS for MIDA: SISE

Q 247 (*) RESTRICTED (*) Ref your D 23/5 and our SD/1/2 both of 31 July (*) Inquiry shows that the sum which FF.AA CAMPANIA started to draw from 16 RAD is that detailed in our AQ/23 of 18 May in which case withdrawal is in order (*) For SISE (*) Instruct Comando FF.AA CAMPANIA that they can continue to withdraw sum on quoting above letter as authy (*) For 16 RAD (*) AAI's Ord L/1002/1 of 24 May also refers.

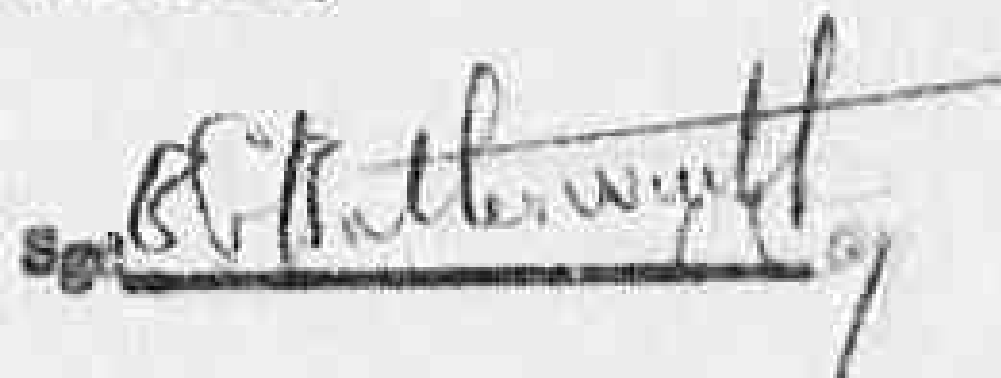
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by any means except
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MESSAGE FORM Q

FROM MIA 04 1210 A
TO AFHQ (G3 ORG)
RPTD MIA LO SARDINIA, MIA LO NAPLES, PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COM A.C.
MINISTRY OF WAR

SD 2044

SECRET

SHIPMENT OF 12 ITALIAN LIGHT TANKS REQUIRED SARDINIA TO NAPLES (.)
REQUEST YOU ALLOT SHIP LOG SERIAL LIST 7 (.) ESSENTIAL THESE SHOULD
BE SHIPPED ON RETURN TRIP OF CARRIER SAILING FROM NAPLES IN NEXT
FEW DAYS (.) FOR THE GNS (.) SUBJECT 12 BEST ROVERS TO FILL THIS
REQUIREMENT AND SUPERVISE DESPATCH TO MAINLAND (.) FOR SMITH (.)
THESE TANKS WILL BE TURNED OVER ON ARRIVAL NAPLES TO LOCAL CC RR HQ
FOR CHIEF MOVEMENT TO BECHY AS PART OF THE EQUIPMENT OF THE TWO
MOBILE CC RR BNS BEING FORMED IN SICILY

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATED

W. H. Lawrence Capt.

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INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION:

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File SD/28
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See 7020119/4

AG/23/1

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Translation

From. M of W
to MMIA

Ref no 20854/6368/PI.

Date 4 Jan. 44.

Italian weapons.

901st/101st

Ref to letter AG/23/1 dated 27-12-44 we
send.

Copy of letter 46/1 3.1.45 sent to City
Directorate Roma relative to the issue of
weapons for 210 Div requested by MMIA.

We will inform you of the shipment
of the material.

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We beg this Directorate to issue to 210 Div
the following weapons.

BERETTA automatics M.34 cal 9 mm
complete with holster and spare charges.

18.

Rifles M 38 cal. 6.5 mm with sling.

776

BREDA L.M.B cal 6.5 mm with sling.

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10.

This Directorate will ship under guard the
above weapons to the VICARELLO Railway station
means of transport to be requested from
SM.R.E

The above weapons will be assigned to
210 Div

acknowledge when shipment completed.

R. Mansfield

See Folio 143

R. TRETTI

from: SMRE
to: MMIA.

AG/23/1

Translation

ref. 4/4100

3 January 44.

Subject: Request of armament & equipment
for pack transport units with 5th Army

1) 'T' delegation of SMRE has informed us
that 5th Army, since 5 new pack
transport units are to be formed & posted
to XX Pack Tpt Group (210th Inf Div.),
urgently requests the following materials:

- Pistols "BERETTA" cal. 9 complete " 45
- Rifles mod 91 with slings " 1940
- L.M.G. cal. 6.5 complete " 25
- Bn. carts " 20
- Harness for Bn carts " 20

2) Since MMIA with letter AG/23/1 dated
Dec. 27th has requested the materials needed
for 2 pack tpt units, we would like to
know if a/m request refers to 5 more
units, or if it comprises also the 2 units
of whom at letter AG/23/1. - 1355

3) We propose, moreover, to issue to a/m units
1940 rifles mod. 91 in lieu of ^{the requested} mod. 91 ~~which are~~, of which there
is a scarce availability.

In the meantime we inform you that

PTO

Luigi 32-134

the issue of 20 Bu Cante ^{to} the units
to be formed would considerably reduce
the actual availability which is very
scarce (~~and~~ 50% ~~together~~ on the main
land).

Gen. SANTI

facility

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Subject: Fort PRESTINA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
AQ/23/1

3 Jan 1945

To: Commanding General, Rome Area Allied Command.

93 not factot
Ref your Q. 254/2 of 27 Dec 1944, and telephone conversation Maj.
GREGSON - Capt. MITCHELL of 31 Dec 1944.

1. Enclosed is a letter authorising the recovery of German, British and American ammunition from the a/m fort.

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

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Subject: Italian Equipment.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
 (M. M. I. A.) R.O.H.E.
 AG/23/1

3 Jan 1945

For: AFHQ Ordnance (Br)

Ref your AGS/2046(Ord 2) dated 31 Oct, 15 Nov and 8 Dec 1944 and
 this AGS/2046/2 dated 5 Nov 1944, AG/23/1 dated 17 Nov and AG/23/1
 dated 18 Dec 1944, copies to you.

1. Enclosed is a revised list received from the Ministry of War.
2. They consider that these items are really necessary and worth transporting from North Africa.
3. On arrival in Italy they should be consigned to Ufficio
 stralcio dell'Officina Militare delle Trasmissioni, Viale Mazzini 8,
 ROMA

AGS/12

W. S. L. G. G. G. G.
 W. S. L. G. G. G. G., Major,
 for Major General,
 M. M. I. A.

Copy to: Ministry of War
 (Your AGS/2046/1/CA of 30 Dec 1944 refers)

— 100/1 attached

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SECRET

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Subject: 20 MM Ammunition of Italian Origin.
-----Land Forces Sub Comm. A. G.
(M. S. I. A.)
R D E S
AQ/23/13 Jan 48.
-----MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Instructions have been received from AFHQ that the 198 boxes of 20 MM Ammunition located at 114 MV "X" Section S.A.F. are to be returned to Italian Army authorities.
2. 114 MV "X" Section S.A.F., C.A.F. is located at CASAL-GR.
3. Please make arrangements through Headquarters 214 Group S.A.F., C.A.F. to collect this ammunition as soon as possible, informing this HQ when collection has been made. 214 Group HQ is located at NAPLES.

W. H. G. G. G. G.
W. H. G. G. G. G., Major,
For Major General,
M. S. I. A.

RDM/wk

Copies to: AFHQ (your AG400.95/227 QM-0 dated 12 Dec and
AG001.711/019 Sup-0 dated 30 Dec refer) 103
214 Group HAF, GAF (ref AFHQ AG400.95/227 QM-0
dated 12 Dec and AG001.711/019 Sup-0 dated
30 Dec copy to you refer)
MIA LO Naples
MIA LO to Ministry of War

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SECRET*Land Forces* JC/rh 111/1
7157ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AQ 23/1

SECRETBy Authority of
SECRETInitials *P*
Date 2 January 1945

AG 471/001 GCT-O

SUBJECT: German Ammunition in Sicily.

TO : President, Allied Commission
FOR: Land Forces Sub-Commission, (MIA).

AQ 5/1

42 not fact

1. Reference is made to your AQ/23/1 dated 21 December 1944 and to Italian Ministry of War 306585/CA, dated 16 December 1944. — 55 not fact

2. Agreement is made to the Italian Ministry of War proposal to neutralize instead of destroy all German ammunition in Sicily, provided a guarantee is made by you that steps will be taken to insure that such neutralization renders the material so obtained suitable only for industrial purposes and that it is not reconstructed for lethal use.

3. It is desired that this neutralization be accomplished promptly and this headquarters advised when the project is completed.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:


Jack Carter
 JACK CARTER,
 Captain, AGD,
 Asst Adjutant General.

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 See Ltr to HQ 76
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MIA

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APRQ FOR BRITISH ORD

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FOR MIA IN (.). SUBJECT IS RECOVERING FOIL (.). MINISTRY OF
 WAR ADVISE THAT 500 KG RECOVERING FOIL IS AVAILABLE THROUGH
 COSENZA ARTY DIRECTORATE (.). PRECISE LOCATIONS ARE HALF AT
 CASTROVILLARI AND HALF AT MATINITE IMPERIONE (REGGIO) (.).
 COLLECTING AGENCY SHOULD CONTACT ARTY DIRECTORATE COSENZA WHO
 WILL PROVIDE GUIDES

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Rome

R. L. G. for King

SECRETSUBJECT: Disbandment of Coast Defences - Retention of Equipment

LAND FORCES SUB-COM. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
File No. 3/3
5 Dec 44

TO : MINISTRY OF WAR

COPY to: 203 Fixed Defences
574 Coast Regiment R.A.
THE SOUTHERN FOR MALA LO

1. Reference your 4/3823/Serv of 7 December it is now confirmed that the Italian material which the Allied Coast Defences in the NAPLES area wish to retain in action with Allied personnel is as follows:-

ISCHIA (Mollins Bty)	2 x 76/40mm guns
	2 Anti-Aircraft Searchlights
ISCHIA (Fire Control Post et Porto d'Ischia)	1 Anti-Aircraft Searchlight
CAPRI	1 x 90/53mm guns
	2 Anti-Aircraft Searchlights

2. This equipment is required for assisting the Navy in the observation and control of shipping.

3. You are requested to hand this equipment over to the care of 574 Coast Regiment R.A., the time of the changeover between Italian and British personnel being agreed between 574 Coast Regiment R.A. and Military R.A. Capri. R.A. have been requested to arrange trans-

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ISCHIA (Molina Bty)

ISCHIA (Fire Control Post
at Porto d'Ischia)

Catal

- 2 x 76/40mm guns
- 2 Anti-Aircraft Searchlights
- 1 Anti-Aircraft Searchlight
- 2 x 90/13mm guns
- 2 Anti-Aircraft Searchlights

2. This equipment is required for assisting the Navy in the observation and control of shipping.

3. You are requested to hand this equipment over to the care of 574 Coast Regiment R.A., the time of the changeover between Italian and British personnel being agreed between 574 Coast Regiment R.A. and Military R.A. CAMPANIA. AVM have been requested to arrange transport for the Italian personnel to the mainland (vide MIA SD 1936 of 1b Dec) and they will in any case be ready for that transport. On arrival on the mainland they will be disposed of in accordance with our C/S/71 of 21 October.

4. If, owing to difficulties in transferring material to the mainland, you decide to leave in their present locations guns and equipment other than those mentioned in para 1 above, the British authorities will undertake to supervise and maintain such equipment to the extent that their resources permit.

Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Subject: Equipping of Italian Divisions.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) FORM E
AG/23/1

31 Dec 1944

To: Ministry of War.

1. Enclosed is copy of a letter received from A.F.H.Q. together with copy of list of items.
2. This information is forwarded so that you may plan the movement and storage of the arms and ammunition due to arrive.

DHAG/1c

D. S. L. GREGG
D. S. L. GREGG, Major;
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: AFHQ (QM(S.S.M.S.)) your letter of 24 Dec refers. *att*
MMIA LO, 54 Area

Coordinated by AFHQ

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C O P Y -

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OM(G.E.M.S.)

24 December 1944

SUBJECT: Equipping of Italian DivisionsTO : 1(AE)
Middle East Forces.

1. Reference your 77479/1/Q(AE)2 dated 30 October 1944 and TROOPERS cable 68426 (AE) of 14 August 1944.

2. The items listed have been assigned to Land Forces Sub-Commission (MIA), Allied Control Commission, G.M.F. for the use of the ITALIAN Army.

3. Request that shipment of materials be made to the Italian Ministry of War, La Rocca Depot, RARI, Italy.

4. It is further requested that Land Forces Sub-Commission (MIA), A.C.C., be advised the name of ship and expected time of arrival when shipment has been accomplished.

Sgt. M. C. CLASSON, Major Inf.
OM(G.E.M.S.).

Copy to: Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA),
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,

3. Request that shipment of materials be made to the Italian Ministry of War, La Rocca Depot, Bari, Italy.

4. It is further requested that Land Forces Sub-Commission, (MLA), A.C.C., be advised the name of ship and expected time of arrival when shipment has been accomplished.

Sgt. M. C. GLASSCOCK,
Major Inf.
GMC (C.O.M.S.).

Copy to:

Land Forces Sub Commission (MLA),
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
C.M.F.
w/list of items

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*Original
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MF Stores - A fair selection of spares for the following

Flat 6/10 ton Model 634M - 355
Lancia 2 Cyl
Spa 3 ton

VOTE 3 ITEMS

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Mugs Drinking Alum. (KE/HIV/1350)	1066
Saucepans 12 cm	31
" 14 cm	16
" 16 cm	7
" 18 cm	19
" 20 cm	5
Tent Radio	1
Tent Officers	1
Ground Sheets	950
Containers Cooking 6 gal (JE/HIV/8002)	252
Insulators Containers 6 gal (JE/HIV/8015)	122
Water Bottles	136
Bivouac Sheets	90
Containers Water Insulated Man-pack	130
Containers Water Man-pack	421
Plates Aluminium	352
Saucers "	23
Basins Soap	317
Cups Spitting	51
Candlesticks	25
Pots Coffee	6
Jugs Milk 1 Pint	6
Containers Olive Oil	4
Pans Frying small	3
" " Medium	16
Warmers Foot	9
Jugs Milk or Hot Water	18
Pannola 1/2 pint	2
Measures 1 pint	3
" 1/2 pint	5
" 1/4 pint	1
Pots cooking 6 pint	1
Saucepans 1 quart	3
Saucepans 2 quart	5
Feeders Aluminium	5
Jugs Hot Water	130
Strainers Oil	2

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<u>TYPE</u>	<u>INVICIBLE STOCK</u>
105/28	1
100/17	9
75/27	2

SMALL ARMS

20mm Breda MG (Model 35 dual purpose)	33
35 MG Pial	99
9mm Beretta Pistols Model 34	48
9mm Beretta Pistols Auto	3

ARM.

<u>Nature</u>	<u>SURFACE STOCK</u>
149/13 HS	1,235
Shrap	1,521
105/28 HS Peron	19
HS S/L	2,125
100/17 HS	584
HS S/L	7,951
HS Hollow Chge	972
75/27 AA HS	1,581
HS	2,511
HS Hollow Chgo	11,542
75/13 HS	425
20mm Breda HS	1,029,074
A/	34,131
Hand Grenades:	
Breda & OTG }	8,569
SRGM }	

Components:

149/13 Shell HS S/L plgd w/o exploder	17
Shell HS plgd w/o exploder	26
Ballist Carts	9,575
Cases carts w/o primers	4,368
105/28 Shell HS S/L fcd	147
Shell HS S/L plgd	666
Shell HS fcd	8,014
Shell HS plgd	5,586
Ballist Carts	336
Ballist Carts Long	595
Cases Cart w/o primers	1,549
100/17 Shell HS S/L fcd T & P	9,431
Shell HS S/L plgd	1,557
Shell HS fcd T & P	1,157
Shell HS fcd Peron w/o data	1,532
Shell HS plgd	2,051
Shrap fcd T & P	5,348
Shrap plgd	25,236
Ballist Carts	16,771
Cases w/o primers	1,282
75/27 AA HS fcd w/o primers	1,268
Shell HS plgd	

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<u>NATURE</u>	<u>SURPLUS STOCK</u>
75/27 Shell HE fad peron w/o Dets	20
Shell HE fad T & P	63
Shell Shrap fad	6,595
Ballist Carts	4,993
Cases Cart w/o primers	5,975
Cases Cart w/primers	50
75/27/13 Shell HE fad	40
Shell HE w/o Dets	1,150
Shell Shrap fad	3
75/13 Shell H fad	24
Shell H plgd	34
Ballist Carts	5,196

ARMY STORES

Range Finders Component Parts:-	
1 set 50 cm Stereo New Type Stands	2
" " " Mounting	2
Artillery Sights - Dial Sights:	
30 Type No. 2 75/27 & 77/28	1
10 Type No. 1	22
10 Type 100/17 & 105	1
Guns Semovante	8
Artillery Sights - Dial Sights Carriers	
Guns DA 105	10
Guns 100/17	6
Guns 109/12 w/o base	8
Artillery Sights - Telescopic:	
Guns 75/27, 76/40 & 76/55 w/o telescope	4
" " " with telescope	6
Artillery Sights Various - Monocular	5
Artillery Boards - Boards Plotting	10
Map Boards with Stands	7
" " w/o	1
	without instruments

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