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ST/193 Ration Scales Equivalents

MAR. - NOV. 1944

SUBJECT:- Coffee Beans.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/5/1

25 Nov 44.

Major Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
c/o HQ 52 ARMA.

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Reference your letter TLO/10 dated 19 Nov 44,
unsigned.

1. Please carry out instructions as laid down in our
ST/5/1 dated 10 Nov 44, copy to you.
2. War Ministry have already issued instructions in the
letter to the Commissariat at TUNANPO (12481/3/1 dated 21
Nov 44 refer): In this letter, the issue of coffee beans
prior to grinding centrally is forbidden.

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E.L. Momen-Mossey
capt

for B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

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TRANSLATION Fr. (arrived) 22/11/44

ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY * COMMISSARIAT DIRECTORATE
Sussistenza Division

TO : Independent Commissariat Office
TARANTO
INFO : M.M.I.A. ROME

P.M. 151, 21 Nov. 44

Prot. n. 12481/3/1

Subject : Coffee

Referring to our letter 12218/3/1 dated the 10 Nov. 44
You are informed that you will have to also provide to grind the coffee
of which the toasting has been ordered.
The distribution of coffee beans is therefore forbidden.

Sig. co For THE MINISTER
(Pelligre)

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Refers to (59)



P.M.151 *21* Nov. 1944 / WWW
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UFFICIO AUTONOMO
DI COMMISSARIATO MIL.
TARANTO

Divisione Suss.ze *1^a*
Prot. N° 12481/S/1 *Allegato*

M *Superviso al f. del*
Dir. *1^a*

Oggetto. Caffé in grani.

e, per conoscenza:

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

(rif. ST/5/1 del 10/11/c/a/) ROMA

Si fa seguito al dispaccio 12218/S/1 del
10 novembre c.a.

A cura di cotesto Ufficio dovrà anche prov-
vedersi alla macinazione del caffè in grani, del
quale é stata ordinata la torrefazione.

Resta pertanto vietata la distribuzione
in grani.

p. IL MINISTRO

Telega

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WWW "1 8 C."

"S & T, M.M.A.

Recd *22/11*

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Subj: Coffee Beans

To: HQ MMIA

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub COMRA.6. (MMIA)
c/o HQ 52 Area
TLO/10

59.

1. I sent Commissariato here a copy of your ST/5/1 dated 10 Nov addressed War Ministry.
2. I enclose a translation of a letter I have had in reply from Commissariato.
3. In order that this matter can be settled quickly, will you please let me have your comments thereon.

Reply @

19 Nov 44

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Capt R.A.S.C.
Senior Liaison Officer- TARANTO

"S & T. MMIA.

Recd NOV 21.

File ST/ 5/1

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ADST ✓

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Yes

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The Comm reply to Crawford
is type. They will roast
and grind the beans centrally and issue out
the normal scale.

2.11.44

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Subject: Coffee Ration

Reply your letter ST/5/1 dated 10 Nov.
We inform you that we have written to the Ministry of War- D.G.S.C.W.
a letter N. 404P dated 2 Nov, asking what ration of coffee beans must
be distributed to units, that coffee beans weight decreases during the
torrefaction.
When the above said Ministry will send us the asked instructions
we will provide to distribute coffee beans with priority over the usual
ration.

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B. J. B. B. B.
Lt. Col. F. B. C.
Sub Comm. A. C.
(M. M. T. A.).

ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

ST/5/1

Stocks of CHILI-CON-CARNE
as at pm 8 Nov 44

John S. G. Jones

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SECTOR	LBS.	Ration Strength	No. of Days
NAPLES	269,050	153,000	9
BARI	12,934	70,000	-
TARANTO	54,561	68,000	4
ROME	2,880	25,000	-
SICILY	1,881 $\frac{1}{2}$	24,000	-
SARDINIA	39,037	46,000	4
	380,343	386,000	

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LRKB V MEDY NR 662
FROM MMIA LO NAPLES 141045A

TO MMIA
QQX GR 10 BT
8392-STN/5 (.)
269050 LBS (.)
BT

SENT NR 662 2004 RVK AR K
RECD NR 662 2004-14 J O E B1 PIP

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REFERENCE ST/435 OF 8 NOV (.) STOCK HELD

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LROF V LAEE NE31 (P P)

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FROM MWIALO 54 AREA (121225A

TO COMMISSARIATO BARI (BY HAND)

INFO MMIA

COV-BT

(ST 337) (.) RESTRICTED (.)

FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FROM M A J G R R O S E

YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH THE ROASTING

OF THE RAW COFFEE STORED IN B A R I

DISTRIBUTION DEPOT

BT 121225A

SENT NE31 EN 1212

RECD 31 REB 3

"S & T. MMIA. 13/11

Recd 13/11

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ROY V LAZE NR 53 P (P) 11710 RT MIT
FROM MNIAL054 AREA 111500A
TO M B I A
CCK GR --- BT

ST 363 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR ST/437
DATED 9 NOV (.) FIRST (.) THIS OFFICE ST/253 DATED 29
OCT REFERS TO TINNED CORN CREAM AND NOT
RPT N O T ~~NOT~~ H O M I N Y WHICH IS ENTIRELY DIFFERENT (.)
SECOND (.) ALL HOMINY IS TINNED AND CAN BE
XX EITHER DEHYDRATED OR PLAIN HOMINY

BT 111500A

SENT NR 53 11/17/66 SAR B K

REC 53 1730 RHE

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1/4 Final

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✓ Informed of
issue
at Enclosure

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LRDF LAE

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~~LA E V MAED NR450 T LRDF~~

FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 101900A

TO MMIA

QQX GR--- BT

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ST/303RESTRICTED. REF YOUR ST/435 DATED 8 NOV.

CHILE CON CARNE BARI SECTOR PM 8 NOV

12934 POUNDS

BT101900A

NOV 10 1954 20 53

~~REPTN NR460 LRDF 54 GRX ST/303~~

~~ST/435 8 NOV CHILE CON CARNE 8 12934~~

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Land Forces
Report
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

==DD ROMA PALERMO 5326 63 11 1015==

TO==PRIORITY 537/1 ALBERT MMIA LO SICILY MMIA ROMA==

FROM: PALERMO

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 57

REFERENCE No: 57

CLASSIFICATION:

PRECEDENCE:

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN:

OFFICE OF ORIGIN:

==REF YOUR SUGAR TARE SLANT FOUR THREE FIVE DATED FIGHT
NOVEMBER PD STOCKS OF CHILI CON CARNE IN POUNDS AS AT PM FIGHT
NOVEMBER PD/PAREN ALBERT MMIA LO SICILY TO MMIA ROME CITE NINE
EIGHT SEVEN SLANT ONE PAREN SICILY SECTOR PD FORTY FIVE AND ON
HALF PD/REGGIO DEPOT PD ONE THOUSAND GIGNN EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY

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1881 1/2

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11/11/44



S & T. MMIA.

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT

Distribution:

RCV MAURIZI S O O

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SUBJECT:- Tomato Juice.

(73)
Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/5/1

11 Nov 44

Reference your 12237/8 dated 8 Nov 44.

1. The ration scale of issue of the above as amended in our ST/5/1 dated 18 May, 44 still applies, namely:

Tomato Paste $\frac{1}{2}$ oz = Canned Tomato Juice 1 oz.

(24)
RTH/jc

E.L. Munn-Mason
Capt.
for B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM: MMIA
TO : 54 AREA

ST/5/1

DATE: 09.16.45

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ST/437

FOR MMIA LO (.) YOUR ST/253 DATED 29TH OCT (.) CONFIRM WHETHER
HOMINY IS TINNED OR DEHYDRATED

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION H. L. ...

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B7. ... reply @ (66)

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SUBJECT:- Ration Scales - COFFEE.

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Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
SE/5/1

10 Nov 44.

Copy to:- Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.), TARANTO. (your TED/17 refers). *(ST/11)*

1. Consignments of Coffee Beans have been received in your TARANTO Depot.
2. Please take the necessary steps to have these beans ground prior to issue at normal ration scale.

KIM/jc

St. C. M. M. M.
B.L. PERCHVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADSE, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

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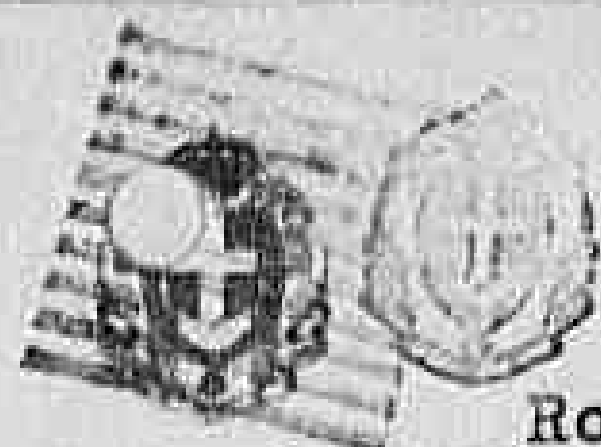
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They applied.



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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Direzione Suss.ze 1^a
Rel. 1/2237/S. Allegati

OGGETTO: razione succo di pomodoro "Tomato
Juice".-

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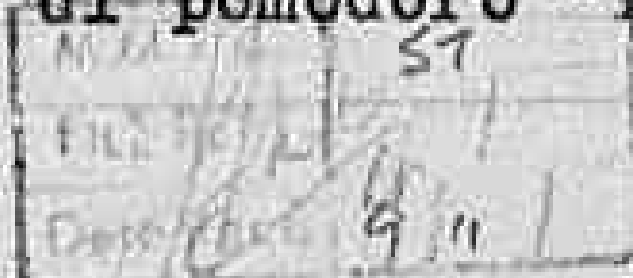
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ALA M.M.I.A.

ROMA

Resposta al f. del
Lu. 1^a



Poichè nell'appendice "F" della Istru-
zione Amministrativa n.12 (S/AQ/5 del 12/10/
/44) la razione di salsa di pomodoro o sal-
sa piccante è fissata in 1/2 oncia, pregasi
precisare se in tale misura deve essere distri-
buito anche il succo di pomodoro (Tomato Jui-
ce), che finora, in base al foglio ST/5/1 del
18/5/44, è stato distribuito invece nella mi-
sura di 1 oncia per razione.-

p.IL MINISTRO

Belleggi

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : H.M.L.A.

TO :

FM

54 AREA

52 AREA

ASB SARDINIA

IN. SIBIRY NORTHERN AC.

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ST/435.

RECEIVED.

FOR MIA L.O. (.) REPORT BY SERIAL STORIES OF CHILI CON CARNE RPT CHILI CON CARNE
IN POUNDS AS AT P.M. EIGHT NOVEMBER RPT EIGHT NOVEMBER (.) URGENT

PRIORITY

AUTHENTICATION

Internal. Copy to: L.O. R.M. ✓

ST/S/1. ←

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Subject: Issue of "Chili con carne".

This follows our 6444/S of 24 Jun. 44.

BARI Commissariat has informed us that the Bulk Depots in their Area have received, in these last few days, noticeable amounts of "Chili con carne".

As we informed you in the letter mentioned above, as this type of food is not the same as that to which the Italian Soldier is used to, it was decided at the time that the consumption should be as much as possible diluted, distributing daily only a quarter in the meat ration as a substitute for a similar quantity of meat of another type.

Now, with the arrival of enormous stores of "Chili con carne" these decisions are becoming difficult to put into effect, taking into consideration that the amount that has arrived would not be consumed. And another thing is that the amounts of "Chili con carne" greatly exceed the amounts of all other types of meat, so that it is no more possible to maintain the aforementioned proportion in the issue.

Will you please, therefore, examine the possibility of substituting at least a part of this item with another type which lends itself better to the feeding of the Italian Soldier.

1225 Ls
7 Oct. 44.

See minutes @
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"S a T. 1541

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1225 L
7 Oct. 44. *Hub* *See witness @ (35)* *at*

"S & T, 1944.

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'DAYS' *16*

8c "S" *2000*

Valian *(S)*

See stocks at 8 pm on Jan 68

P. M. 11 li 5

Novembre 1944

LA M. M. I. A.

ROMA

Risposta al Foglio N. 74

OGGETTO Distribuzione chili con carne

Si fa seguito al foglio n. 6444/S del 24/6/44.-

La Direzione di Commissariato di Bari ha segnalato che i Depositi Speciali della sua circoscrizione hanno ricevuto, in questi ultimi tempi, rilevanti quantitativi di "Chili con carne".-

Come venne fatto noto a cotesta Missione con il foglio cui si fa seguito, poiché il genere in parola non risulta idoneo per il tipo di alimentazione cui sono abituati i soldati italiani, si dispose a suo tempo che il consumo venisse quantificato più possibile diluito, distribuendone giornalmente nella razione di carne solo un quarto in sostituzione di pari quantità di carne di altro tipo.

Ora con l'arrivo di ingenti partite di "Chili con carne" tale disposizione riesce di difficile attuazione, in considerazione che in tal modo le quantità giunte non verrebbero sollecitamente consumate. D'altra parte superando di gran lunga i quantitativi di "chili con carne" i quantitativi di tutti gli altri tipi di carne, non è più possibile mantenere l'anzidetta proporzione nelle distribuzioni.

Si prega, pertanto, cotesta Missione di voler benevolmente esaminare la possibilità di sostituire almeno parte di tale derrata con altra che meglio si presti alla alimentazione del soldato italiano.

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p. IL MINISTRO

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La Direzione di Commissariato di Bari ha segnalato che i Depositi Speciali della sua circoscrizione hanno ricevuto, in questi ultimi tempi, rilevanti quantitativi di "Chili con carne".-

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Ora con l'arrivo di ingenti partite di "Chili con carne" tale disposizione riesce di difficile attuazione, in considerazione che in tal modo le quantità giunte non verrebbero sollecitamente consumate. D'altra parte superando di gran lunga i quantitativi di "chili con carne" i quantitativi di tutti gli altri tipi di carne, non è più possibile mantenere l'anzidetta proporzione nelle distribuzioni.

Si prega, pertanto, cotesta Missione di voler benevolmente esaminare la possibilità di sostituire almeno parte di tale derrata con altra che meglio si presti alla alimentazione del soldato italiano.

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P. IL MINISTRO

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SUBJECT :- Medical Comforts.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/5/1

7 Nov 44.

Your 11809/3/1 of 3 Nov 44 refers.

1. It is agreed that purchases of cognac may be made, under Ministry of War arrangements, to permit the issue of 3 centilitres per man to troops working in particularly arduous weather conditions.
 2. Issues to troops should be controlled by vesting authority for issue in an officer of suitably high rank, e.g. Divisional Commander, who should be guided by the advice of his senior medical officer.
 3. Main stocks should be concentrated at Naples and Bari, but in the case of the Gruppi Combattimenti sufficient cognac for two issues to full Gruppo strength may be held by each Gruppo Commander, adequate precautions being taken to prevent unauthorized access to such stocks.
- Issues to Gruppo personnel will be replaced by demands submitted to Commissariato, Naples.

BLP/jc

R.L. PERCEVAL
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).

Copy to:- DADsT 50, 51, 52, 53 BLUs.
LO, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (MMLA),
NAPLES; BARI.

INTERNAL:- A/Q
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Further @ (74)
(75)

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

Subject: Distribution of equivalents for the ITI ration.

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I rewith a copy of our instructions about the contents of your ST/5/1 of 23 Oct. 44.

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As was agreed verbally with you, tobacco has not been included among the goods to be given to Hospitals as comforts, as, taking into account the limited availability of these goods, it is impossible to distribute any in excess of the normal ration.

Thus also cigarette paper has not been included, as it has been considered more opportune to send it to SARDINIA, where we have been informed it has been needed most.

Finally it has been laid down that the following goods be distributed as comforts in the following manner:-

Anisette) To operational or to
Jam) exceptionally ill-favoured troops.

{ see (54) (55)

Sweets and chocolate)

Vermouth)

Wine)

To soldiers coming back from imprisonment (P.W.).

"S & T. MWA.

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54 6 ST/117 3128

Subject: Distribution of goods not making part of the normal ration.

From the examination of the situation reports that arrive at this Ministry, it has been discovered that there are certain amounts of goods that are lying in various stores in the country that are not consumed because they are not on the normal ration scale now in force.

So as to avoid their finally going bad, and conforming with agreements made with the Allied Authorities, it is laid down that:-

1. The following goods be distributed, counting as rations, on the basis of the equivalence shown at the side of each item:-

-Tea 1/6 oz in lieu of 1/2 oz coffee

-Cocon 1/4 oz " " " "

-Dried Garlic 1/6 oz instead of 2 ozs of fresh onions.

2. The following be ceded to hospitals:-

-Condensed Milk.

-Bottled Lemon Juice.

- " " Mineral Water.

- " " Orange Juice.

- " " Fruit Syrup.

- " " Amaro Lucano (wine).

- " " Amaro Ramazzotti.

-Brandy.

-Hospital Pasta: Instead of the amount of pasta laid down for the ration.

-Lemon powder.

-Tinned Tongue.

-Tinned Peas.

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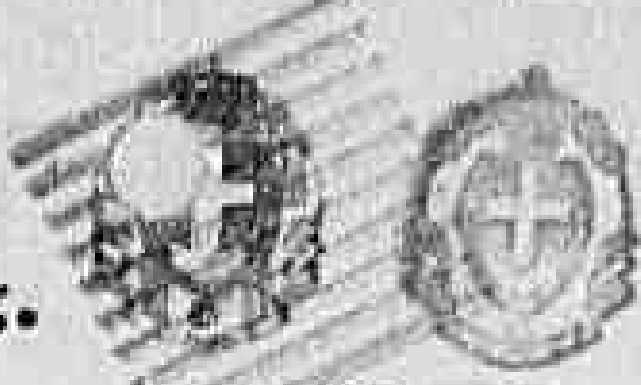
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The General Medical Directorate is requested to see that the Regional Medical Directorates should reach agreement with the local Commissariat Directorates so as to draw the goods. They are also requested to see to their distribution, thru the various Hospitals.

Mod. 505

rg.  P.M. 161, 113 Nov. 1944

Ministero della Guerra LA M.M.I.A.

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Sussist. *Int. I*
Int. V. 11978/S *Int. I*

R O M A

Oggetto Distribuzione di equivalenti per la
razione I.T.I.

Si rimette copia delle istruzioni impartite dallo scrivente in esito a quanto comunicato col foglio n. ST/5/1 del 23/10/1944.

Giusta accordi verbali già presi con questa Missione non sono state incluse tra le derivate da cedere agli Ospedali come generi di conforto i tabacchi, in quanto, data la limitata disponibilità di tale genere, non si rende possibile farne distribuzione in misura eccedente la razione normale.

Così pure non è stata inclusa la carta per sigarette, in quanto reputasi più opportuno che essa venga inviata in Sardegna, dove ne è avvertito maggiormente il bisogno.

Infine è stato disposto che le seguenti derivate siano distribuite come generi di conforto nella maniera seguente:

Anice	) alle truppe operanti o in spe-
Marmellata	) ciali condizioni di disagio

o/o 3126 *mm*

P.M. 15 3 Novembre 1944

LA DIREZ. DI COM/TO DEL COM/DO
MILITARE DEL LAZIO, UMBRIA E ABRUZZIE O M A
ALLA DIREZ. DI COM/TO DEL COM/DO
MILITARE DELLA PUGLIA E LUCANIA

P.M. 67

Risposta al foglio del

Dir.

Distribuzione generi non facenti parte della
razione normaleP.M. 120
P.M. 114
P.M. 126
P.M. 50
TARANTOCAMPANIA
CALABRIA
SICILIA
SARDEGNA

ALL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO COMMISSARIATO

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - GABINETTO

AL MINISTERO DELLA SANITA' - DIR. Generale Sanità Mil. S. R. D. E.

Dell'esame dei rapporti-situazione che pervengono a questo Ministero risultano giacenti presso i Magazzini delle varie circoscrizioni alcuni quantitativi di derivate che non vengono consumate in quanto non comprese nella razione viveri ordinaria in vigore.

Ad evitare il loro possibile deterioramento, in conformità ad accordi presi con le Autorità alleate, si dispone che:

- 1°) I seguenti generi vengano distribuiti, in conto della razione, sulla base dell'equivalenza a fianco di ciascuno indicato:
- The 1/6 di oncia in sostituzione di 1/2 di oncia di caffè
 - Cacao 1/4 " " " "
 - Aglio disseccato 1/6 di oncia in sostituzione di 3 oncie di cipolle fresche

2°) Siano invece ceduti agli Ospedali:

- Latte condensato
- Succo di limone in bottiglia
- Acque minerali " "
- Succo di arancio " "
- Siroppo di frutta " "
- Amaro Lucano " "
- Amaro Rosso " "

Il capo Ufficio per ogni altro provvedimento relativo alla razione

DELLA DIREZIONE GENERALE

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Distribuzione generi non facenti parte della
razione normale

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMANDO DEL COMANDO MIL.	CAMPANIA	P.M. 120
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" " " " " " " "	SARDEGNA	P.M. 50
ALL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO COMMISSARIATO		TARANTO

e, per conoscenza:

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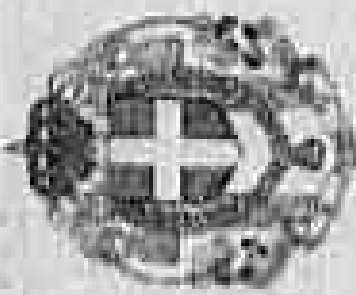
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- Amaro Ramazzotti " " " "
- Brandy

- Pasta per Ospedali: in sostituzione del quantitativo di
pasta stabilito dalla razione.

- Polvere di limone (limonina)
- Lingua in scatola
- Piselli in scatola

Le copie delle presenti circolari sono distribuite a tutti i comandi e uffici competenti.

12-11-44



Ministro della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Decreto *Re*
Red. V. C. *Allegato*

OGGETTO

Risposta al Foglio del
Dir.

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La Direzione Generale di Sanità Militare è pregata di disporre perché le Direzioni di Sanità Territoriali prendano accordi con le Direzioni di Commissariato delle rispettive circoscrizioni per il prelievo di tali generi e provvedano alla ripartizione di essi tra i vari Ospedali.

3°) Siano distribuiti come generi di conforto alle truppe operanti o in speciali condizioni di disagio:

- Anice: in sostituzione del cognac
- Marmellate d'arancia o di altre frutta: in regione di gr. 40 per distribuzione a giorni alterni

4°) Le Direzioni di Commissariato, nel cui territorio affluiranno i militari reduci dalla prigionia, terranno accantonate, per la distribuzione quali generi di conforto a detto personale, le seguenti derrate:

- Dolci e cioccolata
- Vermouth
- Marsala

5°) Infine, tutti i quantitativi di carta per sigarette di papilli presso i vari magazzini siano spediti col primo mezzo utile ai Depositi Speciali Viventi di Napoli. La Direzione di Commissariato di Napoli ne curerà, a sua volta, l'invio al Deposito Speciale Viventi di Cagliari con la prima spedizione che sarà effettuata all'indirizzo di tale Deposito.

Tutti gli Enti interessati assicureranno lo scrivente dell'adempimento di quanto segue.

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P. IL MINISTERO

F. Pellera

P. C. O.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE
Gr. Col. a. P. C. O.

F. Indico



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31 October, 1944.

Dirca, Gen, Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to: MIA LO: Rear 8th Army.
Rear 5th Army.
HQ, 1 District.
HQ, 3 District.
52 Area.
54 Area. (+)
Naplog.

Sicily.
Sardinia.
Rome.
50 BLU.
51 BLU.
52 BLU.
53 BLU.

A/Q, MMLA.

1. The question of the equivalent ration for TINED CORN CREAM has been raised.
2. This item should be issued as CANNED VEGETABLES at the following scale:-

2 ONE CANNED HOMINY

1 oz PULSES (Dried, Azuki,
Beans).

2 CUPS WHIPPED CREAM

F. L. Munn-Mason
Capt.

B.L. PERCEVAL,
Lt. Col., RASO,
Italian Army.

MLM/dmv

ADST, Military Mission Italian Army.

((*) Tour 32/253 dated 29th Oct 44, refers)

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SUBJECT: - Ration Equivalents.

Military Mission Italian Army,
ROME,
SE/5/1.

31 October, 1944.

Direz, Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to: - MIA LO:	Rear 8th Army.	Sicily.
	Rear 5th Army.	Sardinia.
	HQ, 1 District.	Rome.
	HQ, 3 District.	50 ECU.
	52 Area.	51 ECU.
	54 Area. (+)	52 ECU.
	Naples.	53 ECU.

A/Q, MIA.

1. The question of the equivalent ration for TINNED CORN CREAM has been raised.
2. This item should be treated as CANNED VEGETABLES at the following ratio:-

2 ozs. CANNED HOMINY

or

1 oz. PULSES (Dried Beans,
Beans).

2 ozs. TINNED CORN CREAM

B. L. Mergival
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B.L. MERGIVAL,
Lt. Col, RASO.

ADST, Military Mission Italian Army.

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((+)) Rear SE/253 dated 29th Oct 44, refers)

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LRKE V LAEE NR 7 P P
FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA 291830A
TO MMIA
GR --- BT

ST253. RESTRICTED.

FOR ST. IS THERE A RATION EQUIVALENT

AUTHORIZED BY MMIA FOR TINNED CORN, CREAM QERY// QUERY.

THIS ITEM AT PRESENT INCLUDED IN STOCK FIGURES

UNDER HEADING TINNED VEGETABLES

BT

SENT NR 7 LA AT 300230A BBB K

RECD NR 7 AAA AR // AT 300230 A AA A AR

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"S & T, MMIA.

Recd 30 Oct.

File ST/ 5/1

Reply @ 4:45
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Further action

SUBJECT:- Issue of ITI ration equivalents.

Military Mission Italian Army,
ROME.
ST/5/1.

file
Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

23 Oct 44.

Copy to: MMIA LO:- NAPLES. BARI. TARANTO. SICILY. SARDINIA.
A/Q, MMIA. MED, MMIA.

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1. There are certain items shown on the Italian Stock Returns, which are not included in the Ration Scale for the Italian Army.
 2. In order that these items shall not remain in Italian depots and deteriorate so as to become unfit for consumption, you are requested to instruct your depots to make priority of issue, under the scale equivalents, as laid down by this HQ, in MMIA Administrative Instruction No 3 Appendix E, of the following:-

a. Tea; b. Cocoa; c. Dried Garlic; d. Marmalade/Jam.

3. The following items to be issued as Hospital comforts:-

Copy at 53

a. Tinned Milk	j. Hospital Pasta
b. Sweets & Chocolate	k. Lime Juice Powder
c. Lemon Juice (Btles)	l. Cigars & Cigarettes
d. Mineral Waters (Btles)	m. Cigarette Papers
e. Amaro Lucano (Btles)	n. Tinned Tongue
f. Amaro Ramazotti (Btles)	o. Peas (Tins)
g. Vermouth (Btles)	p. Marsala (Kg)
h. Orange Juice (Btles)	q. Brandy
i. Fruit Syrup	r. Anisee.

4. Please forward a copy of your instructions in the matter to this HQ.

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B.L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col. RASC,
ADST, Military Mission Italian Army.

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ACTION SLIP

THIS SLIP WILL NOT BE REMOVED

11 October 1944

TO

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1. There are several items shown on the Italian Stock Returns which are not included in the Ration Scale for the Italian Army.

2. Will you please issue instructions to the War Ministry to use these items as a substitute for items that are shown on the Ration Scale, so as to derive some benefit from the items, and not to let them stay in the depot until they have become unfit for consumption. The items which we have in mind are as follows:

- | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| (1) Tea | (14) Vermouth (Btles) |
| (2) Dried Garlic | (15) Orange Juice (Btles) |
| (3) Cheese Grated | (16) Fruit Syrup |
| (4) Cocoa | (17) Hoap Pasta |
| (5) Tnd. Milk | (18) Cigare |
| (6) Sweets | (19) Lime Juice Pwd (Pkts) |
| (7) Sweets & Chocolate | (20) Cigt. Papers (Pkts) |
| (8) Cigarettes | (21) Tinned Tongue (tins) |
| (9) Lemon Juice (Btles) | (22) Peas (tins) |
| (10) Min Waters (Btles) | (23) Mineral Water Powder (Box) |
| (11) Marmalade Jam | (24) Marsala (kg) |
| (12) Amaro Lucano (Btles) | (25) Brandy |
| (13) Amaro Ramazotti (Btles) | (26) Anice |

Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Major
MMIA.

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Action @ (50)

LIAISON OFFICER
MILITARY MISSION ITALIAN ARMY
HEADQUARTERS SARDINIA DISTRICT
Allied Garrison Sardinia
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

30 September 1944

R/10

SUBJECT: Substitution of Rice for Pasta

TO : The President, Combined Italian Armed Forces Supply Board

1. Reference our letter R/10 of 20 September 44, same subject. By direction of MMIA Headquarters substitution of rice for pasta must cease as of 1 October 44.

2. Scale of issue will then be 1 ounce rice and 3 ounces pasta as before substitution was made.

For The Senior Liaison Officer,

George L. Fossett
GEORGE L. FOSSETT
Major, C.E.

✓ Copy to ADST, MMIA.

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ADST

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*S & T, MMIA.

Recd 6 Oct.

File ST 5/1.

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

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Register No.

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 Serial No.
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Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) AGC SARDINIA SIGNED SIMONS

Originator

Date/Time of Origin
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Office Date Stamp

For Action

MMIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

MMIA	ST
FILE REF	5/1/
Date Recd	2/10/

Message Instructions GP

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Originator's No.

AGS Y 3 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REFERENCE YOUR ST/350; ESTIMATE THAT 200,000 POUNDS OF RICE SHOULD BE ISSUED AT ONCE TO PREVENT WASTAGE BY SPOILAGE

Action in ST/88/7. Being issued to AGC. Being paid to TTI's on mainland

DADS

150,000 pounds to be transferred

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2/10/46

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS

WIRELESS

APPLICABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

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MESSAGE FORM

From : NMIA

To : AGS Sardinia

29 12 00 A.

SI/350

Restricted

For NMIA LO (.) Paren Rome Area _____ Paren (.) Your
letter R/40 of 20 Sep refers (.) Subject is substitution of
rice for macaroni (.) Alterations to ration scale will NOT
rpt NOT be made without prior authority of this HQ (.)
Substitution authorized locally by you in subject letter will
cease rpt cease wef 1 October inclusive (.) Request you
report estimated quantities of rice which require immediate
issue to avoid wastage by spoilage (.)

Precedence

Authentication

Lt. Col.

Internal:- A/Q, NMIA.

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20 SEPTEMBER 1944

WIA LO SANDIOLA

RESTRICTED

AGE NAME 3

PRIORITY

WIA

AGE SANDIOLA SIGNED SIMONS

REFERENCE YOUR CABLE TANK SLANT THREE FIVE ZERO CLE ESTIMATE THAT TWO ZERO
ZERO CMA ZERO ZERO ZERO FOURMS OF RICE SHOULD BE ISSUED AT ONCE TO PREVENT
WASTAGE OF SPOILAGE

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ADD GANTRYA SIGNED SIDINGS

ADD DATE 3

REFERENCE NEW SUGAR TARE SLABT THREE FIVE ZERO CAN ESTIMATE THAT TWO ZERO
ZERO CAN ZERO ZERO ZERO POWERS OF RICE SHOULD BE ISSUED AT ONCE TO PREVENT
WASTAGE BY SPOILAGE

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Col Kern

G. L. FOLEY

MAJOR

U.S.

G. L. FOLEY

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Headquarters A.A.I.
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Army Sub Commission
A.P.O. 534, U.S. Army

MMIA	ST.
FILE REF	5.11
Date Recd	26/9/

20 September 1944

R/10

SUBJECT: Substitution of Rice for Pasta

TO : The President, Combined Italian Armed Forces Supply Board

1. Reference our recent conversation, it is decided that the amount of rice issued shall be increased to two ounces daily and the amount of pasta issued shall be reduced to two ounces daily. This is to reduce the large stock of rice which we have on hand to prevent it from spoiling.

2. This substitution should be put into effect at once.

For The Senior Liaison Officer,

GEORGE L. FOSSETT
Major, C.E.

GLF/snp

Copy to ADST, MMIA.

ADST

DAYS

Action at 44

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43.

Subject: Issue of Cheese in lieu Preserved Meat/
Fish.

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HQ MMIA
NAPLES SECTOR
STW/18

19 September 1944.

To : Direzione di Commissariato Naples

→ Copy : MMIA HQ

1. HQ MMIA has advised this office that cheese is not an authorized substitute for preserved meat or fish on the single ration scale, and in no case will it be issued as such.

2. Authority given to you by this office to substitute cheese for preserved meat/fish is hereby rescinded.

DADS *[Signature]*

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

KRM/jlm

"S & T," MMIA.

Recd 20 Sept

File ST/ 5/1

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FROM: MMIA

TO : SSG NATCHUA OPTD NORMA, AAI

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RESTRICTED (*) ANSWER TO NORMA 3946 OF 27 JULY (*)
FIRST (*) RATION SCALE AS ANNOUNCED DOES NOT SHOW PULSED (*)
BEANS INSTEAD DEHYDRATED VEGETABLES 1 OZ AND DRIED BEANS OR
PEAS 2 OZ (*) SECOND (*) SUBSTITUTE FOR FRESH VEGETABLES IS ?
DRIED OR DEHYDRATED VEGETABLES FROM ITALIAN SOURCES AND
NOT RPT NOT WHEN ALLIED SOURCE (*) BEANS SHIPPED ON "TABITHA
ORDER" ARE TO BE USED AS SUBSTITUTE FOR FRESH VEGETABLES ON
ITALIAN PURCHASE PART OF RATION ON BASIS 2 OZ DRIED BEANS FOR
6 OZ FRESH VEGETABLES (*) THIRD (*) DRIED FRUIT PULP FROM
ITALIAN SOURCES TO BE EX ISSUED ON BASIS OF 1 OZ DRIED FRUIT
PULP FOR 4 OZ FRESH FRUIT (*) FOURTH (*) OLIVE OIL WILL BE
SHIPPED WHEN AVAILABLE ORA THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR
OLIVE OIL

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except () wireless

To be sent in cipher PRICALLY
if liable to be
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"S & T. MMIA.

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MESSAGE FORM
IN

FROM: CG, SOS, NATOUSA.

TO: MMIA (ACTION)

INFO: CG, NORBS

ITALIAN MILITARY RATIONS AT NORBS IS SUBJECT . () LXD35278
FROM CG SOS NATOUSA SIGNED LARKIN FOR ACTION MMIA FOR INFO
CG NORBS CITE SSQMC-3693 () REFERENCE NORBS CABLE 3096 CITE
BNQM 27 JULY . AGREEMENT ROSE - SAMPSON THAT MMIA WOULD
TAKE ACTION. NO COPY OF REPLY HERE. IF CABLE HAS BEEN
ANSWERED REQUEST COPY BE FURNISHED THIS HEADQUARTERS.

"S. G. T. MMIA.

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6 Aug

File ST/

*Refers to Keg & Fruit
for Sardinia.*

See reply at (39)

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[Signature]

SUBJECT: ITI B ons - Equivalents.

Army Sub Comd, ACC,
(AMIA), ROME.
ST/5/1.

27 Jul 44.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Copy to: AMIA Sector LW - Naples; Bari; Taranto; Catanzaro;
Sicily; Rome; Sardinia.

"Q" AMIA.

Reference your 7344/S dated 23 Jul 44.

1. Canned Hominy should be issued as CANNED VEGETABLES at the following scale:

2 ozs. Canned Hominy = 1 oz. Pulses (Dried Peas, Beans).

SC/DW

J. L. Gamm *map*
for B. L. PERCEVAL.
Lt. Col, RASC,
ADST, Army Sub Comd, ACC.

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TRANSLATION

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From/ It War Min

7344/S

To/ MMIA

July 23, 1944

Subject: Dried Grain (Hominy) from the ship
Amundsen.

From the ship Amundsen being unloaded at BARI,
501 parcels of 40 lbs net of dried grain (Hominy)
of the 570 listed in the cargo list and destined as
refurnishments to our Armed Forces have been stored
up to now.

We are dealing with a crushed and flattened grain
whole in its critical part and floury inside.

It is presented in wooden cases in which there are
contained in tin cases.

As said foodstuff is not included in A or B rations
please let us know what use they should be destined
for.

SD/ Gen Pelligra.

"S & T," MMIA.

Recd

File ST/

25 July
5/1

DAD5

Really hominy is
a substitute for something?

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JP

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Sussistenze

4344 / 3 di prot.

P. M. 107, II *23* Luglio 1944

Risposta al foglio N. _____ del _____ Carte annesse _____

OGGETTO: grano essiccato ("Hominy") proveniente col
piroscafo "AMUNDSEEN" .-

Diretta ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.
grano (HOMINY) R O M A

francese ship Amundsen

Dal piroscafo "AMUNDSEEN" sotto scarico
a Bari sono stati finora introdotti n. 501 colli
da 40 lbs. nette di grano essiccato ("Hominy"),
sui 570 descritti sul quadro d'imbarco e destinati
al rifornimento delle nostre F.F.AA. -

Trattasi di grano schiacciato, appiattito,
integro della parte corticale e della mandorla fa-
rinosa. -

E' presentato in casse di legno nelle qua-
li sono contenuti due stagnoni di latta, ognuno di
dichiarato 20 lbs. nette. -

Poichè tale genere non è compreso in al-
cuno dei due tipi di razione ("A" e "B") attualmen-
te in vigore, si prega far conoscere a quale impie-
go lo stesso debba essere destinato. -

p. IL MINISTRO



Teleg. 3108

Subject:- Issue of Chile con Carne.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.
Main HQ. MGA.
LEQUE (LECCA)
ST/5/1.

27 June 44.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.

Reference your 6/44/8 dated 21 June 44.

1. Chile con Carne comes under the heading of Meats Various and should be issued weight for weight in lieu of Tinned Meat.
2. Chile con Carne, or any other variety meat, may be issued in part substitution of Preserved Meat if you so desire, but care will be taken to ensure that where such mixed issues are made, the total amount issued, that is, the amount of the variety meat added to the amount of Preserved Meat, does NOT exceed the scales of issue of Preserved Meat as contained in Scales "A" and "B".

MLP/BC

B.L. PERCIVAL.
Lt. Col, RASC,
ADST, Army Sub Commission. ACC.

3167

Translation
 From War Ministry Ref 644 4/5 ^{34.}
 To mm in ST ST ⁷⁵¹⁶ Date June 24
Subject Distribution Chile con carne"

Reference your ST/5/1 of May 25.
 With our 6 370/3 of June 22, we
 issued orders regarding the consumption
 of Chile con Carne."

In consideration of the fact
 that said food stuff is heavily spiced
 and not suitable at all for consumption
 by the Italian soldier, we believed it
 advisable to order that the new foodstuff
 be distributed, when available, in the measure
 of 28 grams, in substitution of an equal
 amount of meat, in Rations A and Ration B
 and, moreover, we advised using it
 as seasoning, as it composed of a high
 percentage of fat ~~and~~ of different
 quality.

Reply ^{pl. 22} at (25) **ST/5/1** Pell 1972 ³¹⁶⁶

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE SUSSISTENZE

Rp

NG 444/S di prot.

Risposto al foglio N.

del

Carte annesse

P. M. 107, li 24 giugno 1944

OGGETTO: Distribuzione "chili con carne".

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA A.C.C.

- Comando Principale-

LEQUILLÉ

Riferimento foglio n. ST/5/1 in data 25 maggio c.a.-

Questo Ministero con dispaccio n. 6390/S in data 22 corrente ha impartito le disposizioni relative al consumo del "chili con carne".-

In considerazione che il genere di cui trattasi è fortemente drogato e non del tutto idoneo alla alimentazione del soldato italiano, si è ritenuto opportuno disporre che la nuova derrata venga distribuita, quando disponibile, nella misura di gr. 28, in sostituzione di pari quantità di carne, sia nella razione del tipo "A" che in quella del tipo "B"; e, inoltre, consigliarne l'impiego anche come condimento, essendo composto di una elevata percentuale di grassi oltre che di spezie di varia qualità.-

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P. IL MINISTRO

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Subject:- Ration alternatives

Army Sub Commission A.C.C. *33*
Main HQ. (MHIA)
LEQUITE. (LPCCE)
AQ 2/5

27/5/11
Read 23 June
27 June 44

HQ A.A.I. (For DEMO)

1. A very small number of ITI troops are employed on such duties as train guards where it is necessary to issue a "travelling type" ration as personnel are away for periods up to ten days and cannot leave their duties in order to obtain cooking facilities.

2. It is therefore proposed to issue, in lieu of the complete Allied part of the ration, a travelling ration of

400 grams biscuit (or 125 ozs flour to be made into
400 grams biscuit before departure).

2 tins of meat (12 ozs) every 3 days.

3. The small number of such rations issued will not dislocate any provision action taken by S.O.S. Natoussa. The accountancy system about to be set up will record all details of this ration and enable the number issued to be carefully checked.

4. Covering approval requested.

Jrp/TJH
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Colonel
Major General
Army Sub Com.A.C.C.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
DIVISIONE SUSSISTENZE

N. 6272/S di prot.

Risposta al foglio N. ST/5/1 del 13 Giugno.

Carte annesse

P. M. 107. 11/9 GIUGNO 1944.

OGGETTO: Razione vegetali disidratati.-

Razione of dehydrated Veg.

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCIZIO DELLA A.C.G.

Comando Principale

LEQUILLER

Il foglio ST/5/1 del 13 Maggio è pervenuto a questo Ministero soltanto in data 17/5. Le disposizioni emanate in conseguenza non sono, pertanto, potute pervenire alle Direzioni di Commissariato ed a tutti i Depositi e Magazzini di distribuzione prima del 24 Maggio, giorno d'inizio della nuova decade. E' per questo motivo che i reparti nel periodo 24 Maggio-2 Giugno hanno prelevato i vegetali disidratati in base alla vecchia equivalenza.

Comunque si assicura che le equivalenze segnalate da cotesta Sottocommissione con il foglio ST/5/1 del 13 Maggio sono state portate tempestivamente a conoscenza degli enti periferici ed hanno avuto pratica attuazione, come potrà rilevarsi dalle tabelle decedali dei movimenti per la decade 3-12 Giugno, che verranno inoltrate fra qualche giorno.

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P. IL MINISTRO

Delegata

Comando Principale

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We received Y. ST/5/1 of 13 May only on the 17. The instruction then could not be sent in time to all the Com. brickworks, before the 24 May 1st day of the new period. That is the reason why during the decade 24/5 to 2/6 the units have drawn the dehydrated veg on the old ration base.

Y. instructions have been sent immediately to all the units in the neighbourhood and we carried out as it results from the returns for the period 3-12 June which will be sent to you in a few days.

Prof.

P. IL MINISTERO

Valigia

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31/5/1

PA ST/5/1

TRANSLATION

From War Ministry 15/6 R-y 6046/8
 To Mil. Com. Dir. ST Date 14 June 44
 Subject Decade returns on food and
 Storage. J.I.R.
 att. Maj. Papinaw. ST/5/1

MMSA has requested that in the future returns, the dehydrated potatoes & tinned potatoes are NOT to be shown in the attached sheet "Y", but included in the normal returns and respectively under the item "Dehydrated vegetables" for dehydrated potatoes and under item "Tinned vegetables" for tinned potatoes.

The distributions should be effected on the equivalence established, equal for dehydrated vegetables, at 1 ounce, and for tinned vegetable at 4 ounces.

(29) and for tinned vegetable at 4 ounces. Refers. MMSA has also requested that there be included, in the future decade returns, all the Allied foodstuffs shown up to today in the attached sheet X+Y, and namely, tinned cheese, ham, tomato preserves & peeled tomatoes, cigarettes, matches etc. 3162
 advising that the Allied presence

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Direzione Generale Servizi Commissariato Militare
- Divisione Sussistenze - *30*

N. *6046*/S. di prot.

P. M. 107, *14* giugno 1944...

O g g e t t o : Situazioni decadali viveri e foraggi.-
Decade return on food & forage.

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE XXXI C.A.
ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE XII C.A.
ALL'UFFICIO COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
ALL'UFFICIO DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
ALL'UFFICIO COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

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T A R A N T O

e, per conoscenza :

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
(per il Sig. Magg. PAPINAU)

LEQUILE

La Sottocommissione Alleata di Controllo ha richiesto che nelle prossime situazioni decadali le patate essiccate e le patate in scatola non vengano più dimostrate nell'allegato Y ma siano invece comprese nei normali prospetti e rispettivamente nella voce "VEGETALI DISIDRATATI" (verdure essiccate) per le patate essiccate, e nella voce "VEGETALI IN SCATOLA" per le patate in scatola.-

Le distribuzioni dovranno effettuarsi in base alle equivalenze stabilite, pari per i vegetali disidratati a 1 oncia e per i vegetali in scatola a 4 once.-

Inoltre la predetta Sottocommissione ha richiesto che vengano comprese nei prossimi prospetti decadali tutte le derrate di provenienza alleata dimostrate sino ad oggi negli allegati X e Y e cioè:

- formaggio sciolto, prosciutto, conserva di pomodoro e pomodori pelati, sigarette, fiammiferi ecc.;

avvertendo che la conserva di provenienza alleata deve essere distribuita esclusivamente ai reparti usufruenti della razione del tipo "A".-

Tutti i generi di produzione nazionale (formaggio da raspa, conserva di pomodoro, sigarette, fiammiferi, marmellata, liquori ecc.) sino a nuovo ordine dovranno essere segnalati con gli allegati X e Y.-

Per aderire infine ad analoga richiesta fatta dalla Sottocommissione Alleata di Controllo le Direzioni di Commissariato esaminino il contenuto di una scatola di minestrone di provenienza alleata e riferiscano a questo Ministero con tutta urgenza sulla natura dei generi che compongono il detto minestrone.-



P. C. C.
Il Direttore Capo Divisione

P. IL MINISTRO

ST/51
P. Pelligra

SUBJECT: Rations. Equivalents in Vegetable Group. 29

file
Army Sub Comm. ACC.
Main HQ, MMIA.
LEQUILE, (LECCE).
ST/5/1.

13 Jun 44.

Direz. Gen. Commissariato,
Italian War Ministry.
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1. Please refer to ST/5/1 of 13 May 44, from this Headquarters.

Vegetables 2. You will observe that this letter states that Dehydrated (i.e. Vegetables, including Potatoes, specially dehydrated by technical process) are to be issued in lieu of Pulses (i.e. sun-dried Peas, Beans, Lentils, generally packed in sacks) at one half the weight (1 oz. Dehydrated Vegetables in lieu of 2 oz. Pulses). *(file 85/78)*

3. From your Stock Movement Returns for period 24 May 44 to 2 June 44, received under cover of your 5980/S of 12 June 44, it is observed ~~however~~ that Dehydrated Vegetables are being issued at a greatly excessive rate.

4. Please state, therefore:

a. Why no action has previously been taken to bring into force the instructions contained in ST/5/1 of 13 May 44, reference Vegetables.

b. What action is now being taken to put this matter in order.

PTO.

*(21) 1325 June*  
*Wm at (3e) give above instrs*  
*to their Dis Comms.* *(C) 3100*



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5. It is emphasised that instructions transmitted from this Headquarters must be put into practical effect in the shortest possible time, allowing for the conditions governing communication with your Depots.

*h* *del*  
Tommy T. Rose,  
Maj. Med. Adm. C...  
Quartermaster, (S/T).  
Army Sub Commission.



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Subject:- Ship s.s. "TORREDALE".

Italian War Ministry,  
Dires. Gen. Commissariato.

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Army Sub Comm. AGO.  
Main HQ. MICA.  
LEQUITE (LEOCE)  
ST/5/1.

31 May 44.

1. Reference your 5402/3 of 28 May 44, on above subject.
2. RUTABAGA is a type of TURNIP and should be issued as CANNED VEG. and/or DRYD. VEG.

*St. Lawrence Major*

39 of file ST/36/1

Tommy T. Rose,  
Maj. Med. Adm. O.,  
Quartermaster, (S/T),  
Army Sub Commission.

BC

Copy to:- MICA. LO. TARANTO.  
" " LEOCE.

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SUBJECT: Rations, Equivalent for "Chili con Carne".

(file)

Army Sub Comm. AGC,  
Main Bldg. RMIA,  
LEWIS (REC'D).  
ST/5/I.

25 MAY 44.

Italian War Ministry,  
Dir. Gen. Commissariat.

COPY FOR COL SIMONS (THRU' Allied G. H. Comdr BARDINIA).

1. Reference your letter N° SI44/3 dated 23 May 44, on above subject.
2. Your attention is invited to para 2 of this office letter N° ST/5/I dated 13 May 44, which gave ration equivalents and substitutes.
3. "Chili con Carne" comes under the heading of "Meats Various" and should be issued weight for weight in lieu of tinned meat.
4. Please ensure that your Head of Commissariat in BARDINIA is made aware of this instruction.

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Reply @ (34)

N. W. Cann *Wap*

ADST, Army Sub Commission, AGC.

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TRANSLATION

Ref. .... H.995/5...  
Date .... 20.5.44  
File ST  
Subject... Items not included in Italian relations

We are informed that the want of sausages and tinned peaches have been authorized for Italian military hospital also.

In ST/US dated 29 April the equivalents of dried peaches was laid down as follows:-

1 oz. dry peaches = 4 ozs fresh fruit

The application in the same way of the tinned peaches nation would be absolutely laughable in its results.

sd. Lt. Basile

100g fresh fruit = 4 1/4 ozs Dried fruit

100g " " = 1 oz

100g Dried fruit = 200g 300g

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sd Lt. Basile

4 oz. fresh fruit = 1 oz. dry fruit

1 oz. dry fruit = 4 oz. fresh fruit

1 oz. dried fruit = 200 g 300 g

SD/5/1

Lt. Vandella told that  
 the laugh is on him  
 as Peaches in quarantine ARE  
 dried (in tins). Equivalent  
 for tinned fresh Peaches has  
 not been requested.

H. Ireland  
 to take up with  
 Mr. Murray



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DIVISIONE SUSSISTENZE**

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*Risposta al foglio N.*

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## Method

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Carle annessa

OGGETTO: *Letterate non comprese nel tipo italiano di Tazioni. = Wood sluffs not included in Italian type notation*

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'INTERITO DELLA A.C.C.

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si prende atto che codesta Commissione ha autorizzato la distribuzione della salsiccia e delle pesche scioppate a favore dei degenti negli ospedali militari italiani. =

Questo Ministero ritiene che l'equivalenza stabilita col precedente SM/45 del 29 aprile circa le pesche secche e cioè:

- 1 oncia di pesche secche = 7 cuole di frutta fresca;  
non possa applicarsi nei riguardi delle pesche sciroggiate in quan-  
to la razione ne risulterebbe assolutamente irrisoria. =

P. IL DISTETTORE CENTRALE

L'ISPETTORE UNI SERV. DI COMMERIO  
(Col. ff. G. S. Pietro Isidoro)

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P. IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

DIRETTORE DEL SERV. DI COMBUSTIBILI  
(Col. ff. g. s. Pietro Pasile)





TRANSLATION

FROM NARMIN. W/S Ref. 510/525  
To AMIA Ddb 23 MAY 44  
FILE 51

SUBJECT. Chili con Carne  
equivalence.

at some Italian depots  
there are quantities of  
chili con carne. We beg  
you to communicate in what  
measure should they be  
distributed and in substitution  
of what other product.

With the occasion  
we communicate that in  
SARDINIA the ration of  
"chili con carne" has been  
fixed at 3,50 grams a  
day.

Cpl VSO. C. (COL. PIETRO BASILE)

SD/5/1  
(reply at (27))

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**MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA**  
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

MO/ro

Divisione Sussistenze

N. 5144 s. di prot.

P. M. 107. II 29 Maggio 1944

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carte annessa

OGGETTO: razione " chili con carne. -

*Chili con carne equivalente -*

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA ACC  
- COMANDO PRINCIPALE - LEQUILE

Presso alcuni depositi italiani sono esistenti quantitativi di " chili con carne ". - Pre-  
gasi comunicare in che misura deve essere essere  
distribuita la detta derrata ed in sostituzione  
di quale genere. -

Con l'occasione si comunica che in Sar-  
degna la razione di " chili con carne " è sta-  
ta fissata in gr. 3,50 al giorno. -

P. IL DIRETTORE GENERALE  
L'ISPETTORE DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MIL.  
(Col. ff. g. s. Pietro Basile)

80/5/1



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Subject:- Ration Equivalent for Tomato Juice.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.  
Main HQ. MMIA.  
LEQUIDE (LEQUE)  
ST/5/1.

Direzione Generale Commissariato,  
Italian War Ministry.

16 May 44.

Copy to:- Port L.O. MMIA. c/o HQ.2 District. (your PD/ dated 15 May 44 refers).

1. Reference this office letter ST/5/1 dated 13 May 44 giving a list of ration equivalents.
2. Please add under heading  
"COMBAT"  
TOMATO PASTE  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz = CANNED TOMATO JUICE 1 oz.
3. For your information, Tomato Juice is suitable for use in soups.  
It is understood that stocks of this commodity are held in the Italian Supply Depot, MMIA.

see (58) to Cann. Map.

PC

Lt. Col,  
ADST, Army Sub Comm. ACC.

copy sent to Q. Main  
has also (61)

3093



SUBJECT: Report of error in accepting Tomato juice for  
Tomato Catsup.

Liaison Officer,  
Army Sub Commission, ACC  
C/O 2 District  
Ref:-- RB/  
15 MAY 44

Army Sub Commission, ACC  
LEQUILLE (LEJCE)

1. Enclosed is a translation of a letter received from the Military Commissariato, IX CORPS. Its purpose may be found in the last paragraph.
2. Let me establish a foundation: The Italian Port Detachment had for some time been dispatching by convey note an item as "Pomidori". Our representatives were assured that the Italian word meant tomato catsup. At a recent inspection of the Bulk Depot in connection with overages and shortages ex "MOSALLEY" and "HOWARD", tomato juice was discovered as being in stock. A visit to the Adriatic Base Depot mess proved to the Italian officers that there is a distinct difference between Tomato Catsup and Tomato Juice. The next step was to attempt an exchange of the two unlike items but because stock records indicate no overages to the normal reserve kept on hand, the Adriatic Base Depot could not agree to such an exchange. Meanwhile, the Italian Commissariato has withdrawn from distribution the tomato juice now in stock at the Bulk depot.
3. It is recommended that although tomato juice is a part of the American ration, it be "picked up" by the Italian Bulk Depot as stock on hand rather than sent to the Adriatic Base Depot where there would be no exchange for tomato catsup; that the BARI Bulk Depot be directed through the War Ministry to release the tomato juice which they are with holding from distribution.
4. In an attempt to prevent a re-occurrence of these errors the following steps are to be instituted.
  - a) Records of items handled will be carried as stamped on containers that is, in American terminology rather than in Italian.
  - b) Italian Port Detachment will visit the Adriatic Base Depot and its warehouses to become familiar with the several types of containers with the American terminology they are about to handle and process.



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3. It is recommended that although tomato juice is a part of the American ration, it be "picked up" by the Italian Bulk Depot as stock on hand rather than sent to the Adriatic Base Depot where there would be no exchange for tomato catsup; that the BARI Bulk Depot be directed through the War Ministry to release the tomato juice which they are with holding from distribution.

4. In an attempt to prevent a re-occurrence of these errors the following steps are to be instituted.

- a) Records of items handled will be carried as stamped on containers that is, in American terminology rather than in Italian.
- b) Italian Port Detachment will visit the Adriatic Base Depot and its warehouses to become familiar with the several types of containers with the American terminology they are about to handle and process.

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RAYMOND W. SELLERS,  
Captain, Infantry,  
LNO

Incl: Letter Commissariato, IX CORPS



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DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MIL/RE  
DEI IX° CORPO D'ARMATA  
K.150/UGA

DATA 14 MAY 944

To: Captain Sellers  
O.C. Allied Port Detachment

copy to: Italian War Ministry - D.G.S.C.M.

P.M. 107

Subject: Tomato Catsup ex S.S. "Walker" (29/3/44) - S.S. "Moseley" (8/4/44)  
S.S. "Howard" (18/4/44) - S.S. "P. Lee" (28/4/44). -

The four above-mentioned S.S.'s which arrived at our Port had manifested on board the following quantities of TOMATO CATSUP for the Italian Army:

|               |   |         |   |       |      |
|---------------|---|---------|---|-------|------|
| S.S. "Walker" | - | 29/3/44 | - | cases | 764  |
| " " "Moseley" | - | 8/4/44  | - | "     | 764  |
| " " "Howard"  | - | 18/4/44 | - | "     | 109  |
| " " "P. Lee"  | - | 28/4/44 | - | "     | 1460 |
| Total         |   |         |   | cases | 1871 |

On the extract of the manifest of each of the four ships which was given to our Port Detachment by this Office the commodity was listed simply as "TOMATO".

After having inspected our Depot "Deposito Speciale Vivere" - Valenzana - the inspection showed that the commodity introduced did not correspond to that which was due us. In fact that which was introduced in our Depot was TOMATO JUICE which cannot be used in cooking as a substitute for TOMATO CATSUP. TOMATO JUICE is a drink; TOMATO CATSUP is a condiment. Because of this error, this Commissariato has blocked at our Depot the whole quantity of TOMATO JUICE (which does not even correspond to that in on the manifest) until the necessary steps have been taken to settle this matter.

The quantities introduced are the following:

|               |       |      |
|---------------|-------|------|
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| " " "Moseley" | "     | 1046 |
| " " "Howard"  | "     | 152  |

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The Adriatic Depot, as you know, cannot make the exchange because it has no overage of TOMATO CATSUP.

I am informing you of the above in writing in order to assist you and ourselves in facilitating the settling of this question.

3. IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO

Le Mare



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

Subject:- Biscuit Issue to Military Academy.

Direzione General Commissariato,  
Italian War Ministry.

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Army Sub Comm. ACC.  
Main HQ (MHA)  
LEQUIL (LEQUE)  
ST/5/1.

14 May 1943

1. With reference to your request for the issue of biscuits, with morning coffee for the students of the Military Academy.
2. It has been ruled that this issue may be made at your discretion provided the total authorised daily issue of Cereals is not exceeded, i.e. if the Italian type biscuits are issued for consumption with morning coffee a corresponding reduction must be made in issues of either Bread, Pasta or Allied type biscuits as and when issued.

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Lt. Col.  
ADST, Army Sub Comm. ACC.

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Subject: Ration Equivalents and Substitutes.

DIREZIONE GENERALE COMMISSARIATO,  
ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.  
Main HQ (AMIA)  
LEQUILE (LECCO)  
ST/5/1.  
13 May 44.

1. In order to clear up any outstanding uncertainties, the following is a definitive list of Ration Equivalents.
2. Please ensure that all your Direzione Commissariato regional offices, and all Depots, are notified of these equivalents.

| <u>Scale.</u>        |       | <u>Item and Daily Amount.</u> |             | <u>Authorized Equivalents.</u>                                                                                                              |                              |
|----------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                      |       | <u>Ozs.</u>                   | <u>Gms.</u> |                                                                                                                                             | <u>Gms.</u>                  |
| <u>BASIC.</u>        | Flour | 42                            | 339,750     | Wheat                                                                                                                                       |                              |
|                      |       |                               |             | or Biscuits                                                                                                                                 | 46 453                       |
|                      |       |                               |             | or Pasta Macaroni-Riso                                                                                                                      | 42 339,750                   |
|                      |       |                               |             | or any combination of these Cereals equivalent in weight to the foregoing rates.                                                            | 42 339,750                   |
| Tinned Meat          | 2     | 56,625                        |             | Meats Various (including Meat and Vegetable preparations)                                                                                   | 2 56,625                     |
|                      |       |                               |             | Dehydrated Meat                                                                                                                             |                              |
|                      |       |                               |             | Frozen Meat (with Bone)                                                                                                                     | 2 1/2 18,876<br>2 1/2 70,781 |
| Tinned Fish          | 4     | 113,25                        |             | All types of Fish should be issued at the same rate, and Tinned Sausage may also be issued as weight for weight equivalent for Tinned Fish. |                              |
| Pulses               | 2     | 56,625                        |             | Tinned Vegetables                                                                                                                           | 4 113,25                     |
|                      |       |                               |             | Dehydrated Vegetables (including Dried Potatoes).                                                                                           | 1 28,3125                    |
| Coffee               | 1/2   | 14,156                        |             | Surrogato                                                                                                                                   | 1/2 14,156                   |
|                      |       |                               |             | Cocoa                                                                                                                                       | 1/4 7,078                    |
| COMBAT. Tomato Paste | 1/2   | 14,156                        |             | Tec                                                                                                                                         | 1/6 4,719                    |
|                      |       |                               |             |                                                                                                                                             |                              |



46 453  
 or  
 Biscuits 339,750  
 or  
 Pasta Macaroni-Rice 339,750  
 or  
 any combination of these  
 Cereals equivalent in weight  
 to the foregoing rates.

|             |   |        |                                                                                                               |                     |                            |
|-------------|---|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Tinned Meat | 2 | 56,625 | Meats Various<br>(including Meat and<br>Vegetable preparations)<br>Dehydrated Meat<br>Frozen Meat (with Bone) | 2<br>2 2/3<br>2 1/2 | 56,625<br>18,876<br>70,781 |
|-------------|---|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|

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 equivalent for Tinned Fish.

|        |   |        |                                                                          |        |                   |
|--------|---|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| Pulses | 2 | 56,625 | Tinned Vegetables<br>Dehydrated Vegetables<br>(including Dried Potatoes) | 4<br>1 | 113,25<br>28,3125 |
|--------|---|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|

|              |     |        |                                                       |                    |                             |
|--------------|-----|--------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Coffee       | 1/2 | 14,156 | Surrogate<br>Cocoa<br>Tea                             | 1/2<br>1/4<br>1/6  | 14,156<br>7,078<br>4,719    |
| Tomato Paste | 1/2 | 14,156 | Potted Meat<br>Canned Tomatoes<br>Canned Tomato Juice | 30 2/3<br>1/2<br>1 | 14,156<br>14,156<br>18,3125 |

3. It should be carefully noted that items received from Allied sources may only be used as substitutes or equivalent for other Allied items. In the event of shortage of supply of items locally procured (e.g. Fresh Vegetables, Fresh Fruit, Olive Oil) items received from Allied sources must not be issued as substitutes for these local produce items unless special authority has been sought and obtained.

4. Until further notice conversions from avoirdupois to metric weights should be calculated on the basis of 1 oz. avoirdupois = 28,3425 grammes metric. i.e. 1 lb avoirdupois = 453 grammes. This ratio has been fixed with reference to the necessities of frequent conversion to and from one system from and to the other.

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Lt. Col.  
 ADST, Army Sub Comm. AGC.

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SUBJECT: Partic. Equivalents &amp; Substitutes.

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ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY.

W. A. H. H. H.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.  
Main Bldg. Bldg.  
MEMPHIS (LEON).  
ST/5/1.

July 4th.

1. In order to clear up any outstanding uncertainties, the following is a definitive list of Ration Equivalents.
2. Please ensure that all your Direzione Commissariato regional offices, and all Depots, are notified of these equivalents.

| Scale.  | Item & Daily Amount.                                                                                                                         | Oz.                      | Grams   |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| BASIC.  | Flour                                                                                                                                        | 12                       | 339.750 |
|         | Wheat or Biscuits                                                                                                                            | 16                       | 453     |
|         | OR Pasta-Macaroni-Rice                                                                                                                       | 12                       | 339.750 |
|         | any combination of these cereals equivalent in weight to the foregoing rates.                                                                | 12                       | 339.750 |
|         | Tinned Meat                                                                                                                                  | 2                        | 56.675  |
|         | (Condensed Meat Meats Various (including Meat and Vegetable preparations) Frozen Meat (boneless) Frozen Meat (with Bone)                     | 2 4/5 18.876<br>2 56.675 |         |
|         | Tinned Fish                                                                                                                                  | 4                        | 113.25  |
|         | All types of fish should be issued at the same rate, and tinned sausages may also be issued as weight for weight equivalent for Tinned Fish. | 4 113.25                 |         |
|         | Pulses                                                                                                                                       | 2                        | 56.675  |
|         | Tinned Vegetables Dehydrated Vegetables (including Dried Potatoes)                                                                           | 1 28.3115                |         |
|         | Coffee                                                                                                                                       | 1/2                      | 14.156  |
|         | Surrogate Cocoa Tea                                                                                                                          | 1/2 14.156               |         |
| COMBAT. | Tomato Paste                                                                                                                                 | 1/2                      | 14.156  |
|         | Potted Meat Canned Tomatoes                                                                                                                  | 1/2 14.156<br>1/2 14.156 |         |



16 423  
12 334-750  
12 334-750

or  
Biscuits  
or  
Fast Macaroni-Rice  
or  
any combination of these  
Cereals equivalent in weight  
to the foregoing rates.

Tinned Meat 2 56-635 2 43 18 876  
Vegetarian Meat  
(including Meat and  
Vegetable preparations)  
~~Vegetarian Meat (Bologna)~~ 2 56 635

Tinned Fish 4 113-25 2 113 25  
Frozen Meat (with Bone)  
All types of fish should be  
issued at the same rate, and  
Tinned Sausages may also be  
issued as weight for weight  
equivalent for Tinned Fish.

Pulses 2 56-635 1 113 25  
Tinned Vegetables  
Dehydrated Vegetables  
(including Dried Potatoes)  
1 28 365

Coffee 1/2 14-15 1/2 14 15  
Surrogate  
Cocoa  
Tea  
1/2 14 15  
1/2 14 15

COMBAT.

Tomato Paste 1/2 14-15 1/2 14 15  
Canned Tomatoes

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28, 3162

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Lieut Colonel,  
A.D.S.T., Army Sub Commission, AGC.

Pres. Fruit  
Dried Fruit  
(Peaches, Apples, Apricots, etc.)

16 43 18 876  
2 56 635  
2 113 25  
1 28 365  
1/2 14 15  
1/2 14 15



avoidance  
metric

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4. ~~Do further work~~ <sup>metric</sup> conversion from  
avoidance to metric weights should  
be calculated in the basis

of  $\frac{28.3125}{100}$  avoidance =  $\frac{453}{100}$  grams  
metric

This conversion ratio has been fixed

to provide a satisfactory basis of  
metric weights. ~~Calculation of large avoidance packages~~  
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~~Defer~~ ~~with~~ conversion from  
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of ~~the~~ ~~5~~ ~~avoids~~ = ~~113~~ 4 tonnes  
 metric  
 100% ie 1 lb avoidance = 453 grams

This ~~conversion~~ ratio has been fixed ~~and~~

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### STRENGTH EQUIVALENTS:

| COMMODITY.  | OZS   | COMMODITY                       | OZS   |
|-------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|
| Canned Meat | 7 1/2 | Frozen meat (bone in)           | 10    |
|             | 2     | Frozen meat (boneless)          | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Dehydrated meat                 | 3 1/2 |
|             |       | Meat & Vegetables               | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Meat Stew                       | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Meat Hash                       | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Pork and Gravy                  | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Beef and Gravy                  | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Variety Meats                   | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Chili Con Carne                 | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Corned Beef Hash                | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Meat & Potatoes                 | 7 1/2 |
|             |       | Boned Chicken                   | 7 1/2 |
|             |       |                                 |       |
|             |       | Biscuits                        | 12    |
|             |       | Macaroni                        | 12    |
|             |       | Rice                            | 12    |
|             |       | Spiced Meat                     | 1     |
|             |       | Canned Tomatoes                 | 1     |
|             |       | Tea                             | 1 1/2 |
|             |       | Cocoa                           | 3 1/2 |
|             |       | Coffee (substitute)             | 1 1/2 |
|             |       | Canned Vegetables               | 2     |
|             |       | (Tinned Carrots)                |       |
|             |       | " Beetroot &c                   |       |
|             |       | (including:                     |       |
|             |       | Tinned Potatoes)                |       |
|             |       | excluding:                      |       |
|             |       | Canned Tomatoes                 |       |
|             |       | Canned Beans (of                |       |
|             |       | the Jarlet type)                |       |
|             |       | Dehydrated Vegetables           | 1 1/2 |
|             |       | (Dehydrated Carrots, Dehydrated |       |
|             |       | Beetroot, Dehydrated            |       |
|             |       | Potatoes &c.                    |       |
|             |       |                                 |       |
|             |       | Herrings                        | 4     |
|             |       | Salmon                          | 3 1/2 |
|             |       | Pilchard                        | 4 1/2 |
|             |       | Sardines                        | 2 1/2 |
|             |       | Tunny Fish                      | 3 1/2 |







|                                              |       |                                                                    |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Flour                                        | 12    | Biscuits                                                           | 12    |
|                                              | 12    | Macaroni                                                           | 12    |
|                                              | 12    | Rice                                                               | 12    |
| Tomato Paste (or Conserves)                  | 1     | Spiced Meat                                                        | 1     |
| Coffee                                       | 1 1/2 | Canned Tomatoes                                                    | 1     |
| Pulses (Dried Peas, Dried Beans, or Lentils) | 1 1/2 | Tea                                                                | 1 1/2 |
|                                              | 2     | Cocoa                                                              | 3 1/2 |
|                                              |       | Coffee (substitute)                                                | 1 1/2 |
|                                              |       | Canned Vegetables                                                  | (2)   |
|                                              |       | (Tinned Carrots, Beetroot &c)                                      |       |
|                                              |       | including:                                                         |       |
|                                              |       | Tinned Potatoes                                                    |       |
|                                              |       | Canned Tomatoes                                                    |       |
|                                              |       | Canned Beans (of the haricot type)                                 |       |
|                                              |       | Dehydrated Vegetables                                              | 1 1/2 |
|                                              |       | (Dehydrated Carrots, Dehydrated Beetroot, Dehydrated Potatoes, &c) |       |
| Tinned Fish                                  | 4     | Herrings                                                           | 4     |
|                                              |       | Salmon                                                             | 3     |
|                                              |       | Pilchard                                                           | 4     |
|                                              |       | Sardines                                                           | 2     |
|                                              |       | Tunny Fish                                                         | 3 1/2 |
| Tinned Soups                                 | 1     | Canned Vegetables                                                  | 2 1/2 |
| Dried Beans                                  | 1     | Dehydrated Veg                                                     | 1     |
|                                              |       | Dried Beans                                                        |       |
|                                              |       | Lentils                                                            |       |

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \times 9 \\ 18 \times 45 \\ \hline 8 \times 20 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \times 12 \\ 24 \\ \hline 18 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 45 \\ \hline 9 \end{array}$$

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## TRANSLATION

FROM: MIN OF War

To: M.M.I.A.

File.....

Ref. 4460

Date 10 MAY 1944

Subject: Ration Scale for Potatoes (Tinned)

Reference: year 57/5/11 of 29<sup>th</sup> of April

The M.M.I.A. has communicated that 2 ounces of potatoes (tinned) are equivalent to an ounce of beans etc. or to an ounce of dehydrated vegetables.

In regard to what we deduce from year 57/10 of the 4<sup>th</sup> of January and enclosure C of year 57/11/2 of 18<sup>th</sup> of February this Ministry always believed that the relation of equivalence between beans etc. and dehydrated vegetables is by one to two (1 ounce of beans etc. or vegetables (tinned) or small pos (cassia soup) = 2 ounces of dehydrated vegetable)

Consequently, if 2 ounces of potatoes (tinned) correspond to an ounce of beans etc. the corresponding equivalent of beans etc. is 2 ounces and that of dehydrated potatoes is  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce.

We beg the M.M.I.A., therefore, to re-examine let us know if the interpretation given by the Ministry is correct, and if not, to confirm the equivalents pointed out in the year 57/5/11 of 29<sup>th</sup> of April.

For the Ministry



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 pointed out in the year 57/5/1 of 30th April.

Yours faithfully  
 J. D. S. G. G. G.

For the Ministry  
 P. L. L. L. G. G. G.

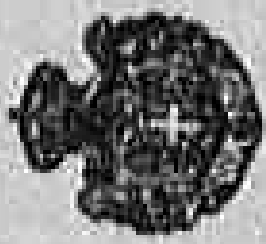
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# MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE  
DIVISIONE SUSSISTENZE

N. 4460<sup>1515</sup> di prot.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

P. M. 107. li 10

Maggio 1944

Carle ammesse

OGGETTO: Equivalenze patate in scatola. =

*Ration Scale for Potatoes (Tinned)*

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'Esercito DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA  
DI CONTROLLO = Comando Principale =

LEQUILLE

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Riferimento foglio SM/5/1 del 29 aprile u.s. =

Codesta Sottocommissione ha comunicato che 2 once di patate in scatola sono equivalenti ad un'oncia di legumi secchi o ad 1 oncia di verdura essiccata. =

In relazione a quanto si deduce dal foglio SM/3 del 4 gennaio dell'allegato C. al foglio SM/1/2 del 18 febbraio - questo Ministero ha sempre ritenuto che il rapporto di equivalenza tra legumi secchi e verdura essiccata sia di 1 a 2 (1 oncia di legumi secchi o legumi in scatola o di pisellini da minestrone = 2 oncie di verdura essiccata). =

Conseguentemente se due oncie di patate in scatola corrispondono ad un'oncia di legumi secchi, la corrispondente equivalenza di verdura secca è di 2 oncie e quella di patate secche è di 1/2 oncia. =

Si prega, comunque, codesta Sottocommissione voler cortesemente comunicare se l'interpretazione data da questo Ministero sia ed in caso contrario confermare l'equivalenza segnalata nel riferimento. =

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Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

DI CONTROLLO = Comando Principale =

LEQUILE

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P. IL MINISTRO

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**MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA**  
DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Sussistenze

N. 4182 di prot.

P. M. 107. 17 maggio 1944

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Razione vegetali in scatola-

Turned vegg what ration scale?

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA  
A.C.C. =COMANDO PRINCIPALE= LEQUILE

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Con gli ultimi piroscafi sono giunti nei Depositi italiani notevoli quantità di bietole, carote ed in genere vegetali in scatola.-

Pregasi voler cortesemente precisare in che misura tali vegetali devono essere distribuiti, se cioè in ragione di 4 once giornaliere, considerandoli quali verdura essiccata, ovvero in ragione di 2 once giornaliere come per i legumi secchi o sciolati.-

*Deetroot  
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get others in turn  
Do they issue  
4 oz. considering them  
as 2 oz. dried or turnip vegg.*

p. IL MINISTRO

*elligen*  
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*File 3034/51*



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SUBJECT: Ration equivalents for Cocoa and Tinned Potatoes.  
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Army Sub Comm ACC  
Main HQ (MMIA)  
LEQUILLE (LESCS)  
ST/5/1.

24 Apr 44.

ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY.

1. Reference your letter N° 4064/S Sez 2<sup>a</sup> dated 24 Apr 44, on the above subject.

2. Equivalents are:

|                      |   |                                                                |
|----------------------|---|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| a. 1 oz Cocoa        | = | 2 ozs Coffee.                                                  |
| b. 2 ozs Td Potatoes | = | 1 oz Pulses & Dried Beans etc)<br>or<br>1 oz Dried Vegetables. |

DW

*[Signature]*  
Lt.Col..  
ADST, Army Sub Commission, ACC.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Divisione Assistenza

N. 4064/S di prot. Sez. 2<sup>a</sup> P. M. 107. II 24 aprile 1944

Risposta al foglio N. \_\_\_\_\_ del \_\_\_\_\_ Carte annessa

OGGETTO: Razione cacao e patate in scatola.

Al LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO  
DELLA C.A.C. Comando Principale

LEQUILE

Si prega di far conoscere in base a quale  
razione dovranno effettuarsi le distribuzioni di  
patate in scatola e di cacao. -

Please state what ration scale  
is applicable to  
tinned potatoes  
and cocoa.

P. IL MINISTRO

*[Signature]*

Coffee 100g  
Cocoa 200g

Td Potatoes 800g

Fresh Potatoes 1200g

Distilled water

file 80/5/1.

Recd 25 apr 1944

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Reply at 17



Subject:- Coffee.

Army Sub Comm. ACC.  
Main HQ (MIA)  
LEQUIL (LCOG)  
ST/5/1.

25 Apr 44.

Italian War Ministry.

Copy to:- MIA "ST" LO, CATANZARO.

- (9) | 1. Reference your 4067/8, Ser 1<sup>^</sup>, of 24 April 44, on above subject.
2. AMHQ have ruled that exchanges cannot be made.
3. The 200 quintals of Tea held in CALABRIA should therefore be issued in lieu of Coffee, at following equivalent:-

1 OZ TEA = 3 OZS COFFEE.

BC

*[Signature]*  
Lt. Col,  
ADMT, Army Sub Comm. ACC.

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TRANSLATION

From: *Minsk for War*.....

Ref. *A.D. 67/18*... *Sec 1*

To: M.M.I.A.

File.....

Date *24-4-44*

Subject: *buffer*.....

Reference your ltr. *ST/SP* dated 17 March.

3

The Italian Troops do not care for  
tea,

We would like to know if FLANRO  
have given any instructions for the changing  
of 200 quanta at present held in CALABRIA  
for the corresponding amount of buffer

*Wt*  
Reply *(15)*

*Polligua*

*File ST/SP/1*  
*Recd vs ape.*

*No go 3000*  
*Tea in km*  
*or letter*  
*note*



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**MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA**

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE  
UFFICIO DEL DIRETTORE GENERALE

24068/S di prot. Sez. 1<sup>a</sup>

P. M. 107, II 24 aprile 1944

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Caffè.  
Coffee.

AI LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COM=  
MISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO LEQUILE  
- Comando Principale - (MMIA)

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Si fa riferimento al vostro ST/5/1 del 17 marzo.-

Il thè non riesce troppo gradito alle
truppe italiane.-

Si prega far conoscere se il "Flambo" ha
impartito istruzioni in merito al cambio dei
q.li 200 circa di thè esistenti ancora in Ca-
labria, con il corrispondente quantitativo di
caffè.-

P. IL MINISTRO

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TO **MEMIA. L.O.2 District For Major Gray.**

FROM **MEMIA.**

Originator's Number

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In Reply to Number

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MAJ GRAY

Originator

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For Action

TO

NMIA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

GP

Originator's No.

SOS NATOUSA directs endeavour to exchange surplus G - ration
biscuits for flour Italian Military (.) Basis 2 lbs biscuit for
one lb flour (.) Exchange satisfactory here between OM and Italian
military (.) Request approval of exchange approximately 200,000 lbs
(900 quintals) flour for 400,000 lbs (1800 quintals) biscuit (.)
signed GRAY

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Subject: Maintenance of Italian Armed Forces.

HQ, A.A.I. (ADM BUREAU),
C.H.F.
Tel. Ext: 162.
4012/ST.

8 April 44.

To: D.D.S.T. 5 Corps.

Copy to: A.D.S.T., Army Sub Commission.
Main H.Q. (M.H.I.A.),
Leggione (Legge).

Reference your signal ST 401 of 7 April.

1. Tinned Tomatoes as an alternative to Tomato Catsup or Paste may be issued to Italian Military personnel in Army Areas who are rationed on the combat scale but only at the equivalent scale.

L. W. O. D. U.
Brigadier,
for D.D.S.T.

ST

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SUBJECT: III Rations & Equivalents.

(File)

Army Sub Comm ACC
Main HQ (MMIA)
LEQUILE (LECCE).
ST/5/1.
25 Mar 44.

Italian War Ministry.

Copy to: FOTALI HQ. A.A.I (Adm Ech)
FOWIT
Navy Sub Comm ACC
Air Forces Sub Comm ACC
Senior MMIA L O NAPLES.
MMIA L O: 31 It:Corps; 2 Dist; 60 Sub Area.
MMIA Supervisory LOs: NAPLES; BARI; CATANZARO; LECCE.
"Q" MMIA.

1. Please regard as cancelled, this office letter No. ST/5/1 dated 20 Mar 44 (not to all addressees) on the subject of issue of M & V Rations.

2. Instructions have now been received that:

- (a) MEAT & VEG STEW, MEAT & VEG HASH, or any other type of CANNED MEAT is to be used as the MEAT component of the Italian Ration.
- (b) POTTED MEAT, CANNED TOMATOES, to be used as TOMATO CATSUP or PASTE.
- (c) DEHYDRATED POTATOES to be used as PULSES (1 oz = 2 ozs PULSES).

3. Please arrange accordingly.

[Signature]
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Lieut. Col.,
ADST, Army Sub Comm, ACC.

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Return Seal Tea 60% per day 1
 (in lieu of 10% coffee) 1
 Equivalents: 1A/Cm
 Tea 1/2 60% = 1 1/2 60% Coffee.



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

Div. Suss. Sea.

N. 2237/S di prot.

P. M. 107, 4^{to} MARZO

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Risposta al foglio N. del

Carte annessa

OGGETTO: Caffè. =

ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO = *Comando Principale L E Q U I E*
(M.M.I.A.)

[illegible]

Il XXII S.A. ha scorte di caffè tali da poter fronteg-
giare il servizio per tutto il corrente mese. =

Qualora, nel frattempo i quantitativi di thé esistenti a Crotone non saranno stati cambiati con i corrispondenti quantitativi di caffè, sarà distribuito alla truppa, quale bevanda del mattino, una razione di thé (un 1/5 di once). Intanto é stato disposto perché il Deposito Speciale di Napoli spedisca in Calabria fino a 80 q.li di caffè, usufruendo dei vagoni concessi per la prima perequazione delle derrate. =

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Dirigete a Capo Divisione ff.

P. IV MINISTRO

F. B. Ballard

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AL LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEA-
TA DI CONTROLLO = Comando Principale L E Q U I L E
(M.M.I.A.)

Il XXVI C.A. ha scorte di caffè tali da poter fronteg-
giare il servizio per tutto il corrente mese.=

Quelora, nel frattempo i quantitativi di thé esisten-
ti a Crotone non saranno stati cantinati con i corrispondenti quan-
titativi di caffè, sarà distribuito alla truppa, quale bevanda del
mattino, una razione di thé (un 1/6 di oncia). Intanto é stato dispo-
sto perché il Deposito Speciale di Napoli spedisca in Calabria fi-
no a 80 q.li di caffè, usufruendo dei vagoni concessi per la prima
perequazione delle derrate.=

*1/27 20/20
c.p.e.*

P. C. C.

Il Direttore Capo Divisione R.
(Ten. Col. Mgo Randolfi)

[Signature]

file 52/5/11.

Read or here.

P. IL MINISTRO

F. Pelligrà

31st, Army Corps has enough coffee at present to
meet requirements for the month of March.

Since the tea held has not yet been exchanged
for an equivalent quantity of coffee it will be distributed
to the troops as a morning drink (at the rate of 1/6 oz.)
In the meantime arrangements have been made for the
Naples Depot (Spaur) to consign to Calabria up to 80 quintals
of coffee, using for this purpose trucks granted for the
first time of foodstuffs.

[Signature]

See (3)

3074

Subject:- Issue of M & V Rations.

Army Sub Comm. AGO
Main HQ (ISMA)
LEQUILS (LEQUIL).
ST/5/1.

20 Mar 44.

Italian War Ministry.

Copied to:- HQ, A.A.I. (Adm Ech) - (Your signal 924902, 19 Mar, refore)
"Q".

Reference your 2618/3 dated 13 Mar 44.

1. M & V Rations which have been consigned to Italian Armed Forces and although not on the Italian Ration Scales will be issued as follows:-

- (a) 8 ozs M & V (nett) per man, per day, for both the Operational and Basic scales.
- (b) On days when M & V ration is issued, 10 issues will be made of P. Meat, Pulses, Dried Beans, (or Preserved Fish (on Combat Scale only)).
- (c) Issue of Preserved Fish on Basic Scale will continue to be issued.
- (d) Fresh vegetables and Onions purchased under contract will continue to be issued as normal, as laid down in the Ration Scales.

2. Please inform all your issuing Depots accordingly.

DV.

Handwritten signature
Lieut. Col.,
ADST, Army Sub Comm. AGO.

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Subject:- Coffee.

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Army Sub Comm. ACC.
Main HQ (MIA)
LEQUIL (LECON)
ST/5/1.

War Ministry.

Copy to:- MIA.10.31 Italian Corps. (2)

17 Mar 44

1. It has been reported that 31 Italian Corps CALABRIA have no stocks of Coffee to issue to Italian troops.
2. Would you please make immediate arrangements to move Coffee from your other Depots to meet their requirements.
3. In the meantime the question of exchanging your stocks of Tea for Coffee has been forwarded to AFHQ for their instructions.
4. You will be informed as soon as they are to hand.

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S. h. bann *Mapi*
Lt. Col.,
ADST,
Army Sub Comm. ACC.

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TO M/71A

FROM LO 31 Italian Corps.

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DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
= Divisione Sussistenze = Sez. 1^a

N. 2618 / S di prot.

Risposta al foglio N.

del

Carte annesse

OGGETTO: Razione di carne sciolata con vegetali.=

Rations of M & V.

P. M. 107, li 13 MARZO 1944

AI LA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
DI CONTROLLO = Comando Principale (M.M.A.) L.F.O.U.I.L.E

MILITARY MISSION

Date

to

ITALIAN ARMY

e Napoli trovati carne sciolata mista con vegetali.=

Poiché sino a questo momento non si ha notizia di
arrivi di carne sciolata pura e semplice, sembrerebbe doversi di-
stribuire alle FF.AA. italiane esclusivamente carne mista a vegeta-
li.=

Si prega pertanto codesta Sottocommissione voler co-
municare in base a quale razione devono effettuarsi le distribuzio-
ni di questo nuovo tipo di carne sciolata.=

*Amongst the foodstuffs being unloaded
present at M&V PLES, there are tins of M&V.
We have no info. re the arrival of ordinary
meat, we understand that M&V will
be sent to the Italian Forces.*

P. IL MINISTRO

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ALLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER L'ESERCITO DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
DI CONTROLLO = Comando Principale (MIA) L E O N I L E

MILITARY MISSION

Date

to

ITALIAN ARMY.

Tra le derrate in corso di sbarco nei porti di Bari e Napoli trovasi carne sciolata mista con vegetali.=

Poiché sino a questo momento non si ha notizia di arrivi di carne sciolata pura e semplice, sembrerebbe doversi distribuire alle FF.AA. italiane esclusivamente carne mista a vegetali.=

Si prega pertanto codesta Sottocommissione voler comunicare in base a quale ragione devono effettuarsi le distribuzioni di questo nuovo tipo di carne sciolata.=

P. IL MINISTRO

Amongst the foodstuffs being unloaded
at present at WHPLES, there are tins of M.S.V.

As we have no info. re the arrival of ordinary
tinned meat, we understand that M.S.V. will
be issued to the Italian Forces.

Could you please let us know on which basis
this new type of meat should be issued.

Post.

Gen. PELLICERA

*Sp. 1/5/11
open and
sub plan*

5/5/11

Letter to...

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Letter 13/11/11*

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