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SUBJECT:- Supplies for N.W. ITALY.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182

17 Dec 45.

Ministry of War.

Ref your 22266/3/1 dated 12 December 1945.

1. This HQ is in agreement with the views expressed in the above quoted letter.

Lt.Col. BASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.(MMIA).

AC/gmc

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

Divisione Sussistenze

Sezione I^ Roma, 12. 12. 45

Prot. N° 22667 S/1 Allegati

Risposta al f.° del 29 ottobre

Div. Sez N.° ST/182

Al LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C.(M.M.I.A.)
R O M A

Oggetto Approvvigionamento Italia nord-occidentale

Pertinenza Ten. Nord S.T.

Questo Ministero ha preso in attento esame quanto comunicato con il foglio in riferimento.

A base di tutte le disposizioni è stato sempre tenuto il criterio di far vettovagliare i reparti presso il Magazzino più vicino non solo nel senso topografico, ma anche per comodità di trasporti, dato che non sempre i reparti possono approvvigionarsi con mezzi diretti per via ordinaria ma ricevono talvolta anche dei trasporti per ferrovia.-

Così questo Ministero riterrebbe opportuno ad esempio che i reparti dislocati nella zona ad est ed a nord est di Brescia debbano far capo al 74° Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri di Verona invece che al 75° Magazzino di Piacenza.

Sarebbe, quindi, opportuno non stabilire delle zone territoriali per i Magazzini Distribuzione Viveri e demandare ancora, come già in atto, ai Comandi Militari Territoriali la facoltà di disporre per il vettovagliamento dei reparti, a seconda della particolare situazione.

P.IL MINISTRO
Stellingo

TRANSLATION

From : Ministry of War. 22266/S/1

To : M.M.I.A. 12 Dec 45
(in reply to ST/182 of 29 Oct 45)

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It is therefore considered opportune not to state territorial Depots and ask again, as at present, to Mil Terr Commands the permission of disposing for the supply to units, according to particular situations.

/s/ PELLIGRA.

"S & T. MMIA.
DEC 14 1945
Recd

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale dei Servizi Logistici

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"S & T. MMIA.
DEC 14 1945
Recd

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale dei Servizi Logistici

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ST.MIL.IO. N.W. ITALY
c/o Signal Office Genoa

333/25

8 November 45

AMENDMENT No.1 (166)

to Lombardmonza N.W.Italy Instruction No.1 dated 31 Oct 45

INSTRUCTION

- delete 8 Nov 45 and substitute 14 Nov 45.

ST.

for Thomas Hood
S/Capt. R.N.V.R.
ST.MIL.IO.
N.W.ITALY.

AMT/lr

Distribution:- Direzione di Contoterrinto TURIN (1)
Direzione di Contoterrinto GENOA (1)
Direzione di Contoterrinto MILAN (1)
Sez.Contoterrinto PIACENZA (1)
CO 2 Deposito Speciale (1)
CO 2 Deposito Viveri (1)
Major Re (1)
N.C.S.A. MONZA (for SHAEF) (1)
Senior MIL.IO., N.W.ITALY MILAN (1)
FILE (2)

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for [illegible]
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ASI/lr

Distribution:- [illegible] (1)
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[illegible] (1)
CO 2 Deposito Speciale (1)
CO 2 Deposito Viveri (1)
Major [illegible] (1)
[illegible] (for CMT) (1)
Senior [illegible], N.O.ITALY MILAN (1)
[illegible] (2)

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O & I, MMA
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S&T MISS LO., N.W. ITALY
c/o Signal Office,
GENOA

11 October 1945

MAINTENANCE N.W. ITALY

INSTRUCTION No.1

INTENTION

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(3) In order to prevent unnecessary handling of Supplies Commissariato Genoa will arrange the despatch immediately of supplies (15 days) intended for maintenance period 6-20 Nov. based on the undermentioned figures:

MILAN	23,000
PIACENZA	9,000
TUTIN	15,000

S & T, MMIA.
Recd
File ST

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S & T. MISSA.

Recd 3 Nov

File ST/ 85

MILAN	23,000
PIACENZA	9,000
TURIN	15,000

Commissariato Genoa will submit program to this office for approval.

(4) OC 2 Deposito Speciale will hand over to OC 2 Deposito Viveri in location 13,000 x 30 balanced rations being maintenance for period 21 Oct - 5 Nov. not completed and maintenance for period 6-20 NoV. referred to in para 3 above.

(5) Stocks remaining after carrying out instructions in para 3 and 4 above will be despatched to new Dep. Speciale Milan.

(6) Major Ge will arrange direct with Italian Railway Authorities for the re-direction of wagons ex 13 CRASC (Supply Units) to Milan as required.

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ADMINISTRATION.

(1) Major Ge will co-ordinate all movements of personnel, stocks, etc and any difficulty resulting therefrom will be referred direct to him. Major Ge will keep this office informed of his daily movements.

(2) All Commissariati will submit to this office Stock States as at 10 Nov 45 for depots under their command, ensuring that stocks in transit (if any) are included in Stock States of receiving depots.

INTERCOMMUNICATION

(1) ST MEIA LO N.W. ITALY and Major Ge w.e.f. 0830 ~~6~~ 14 Nov.45 will be located at Milan (Offices of Senior MEIA LO. N.W. Italy) - Telephone No. MILAN 13989

(amended at 167)

S/Captain, RASC.,
SAT MEIA LO.,
N.W. Italy

Distribution:- DIREZIONE COMMISSARIATO TURIN (1)
" " GENOA (1)
" " MILAN (1)
SEZIONE COMMISSARIATO PIACENZA(1)
OC 2 DEPOSITO SPECIALE (1)
OC 2 DEPOSITO VIVERI (1)
MAJOR GE (1)
MEIA ROME (For S&T) (2)
SENIOR MEIA LO NWITALY, MILAN(1)
File

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SUBJECT:- Pursuit - Northwest Italy.

Land Forces Sub Comm. MO.
(M.M.I.A.).
MI/182

29 Oct 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MMIA MO HQ N.W. ITALY (MMIA).

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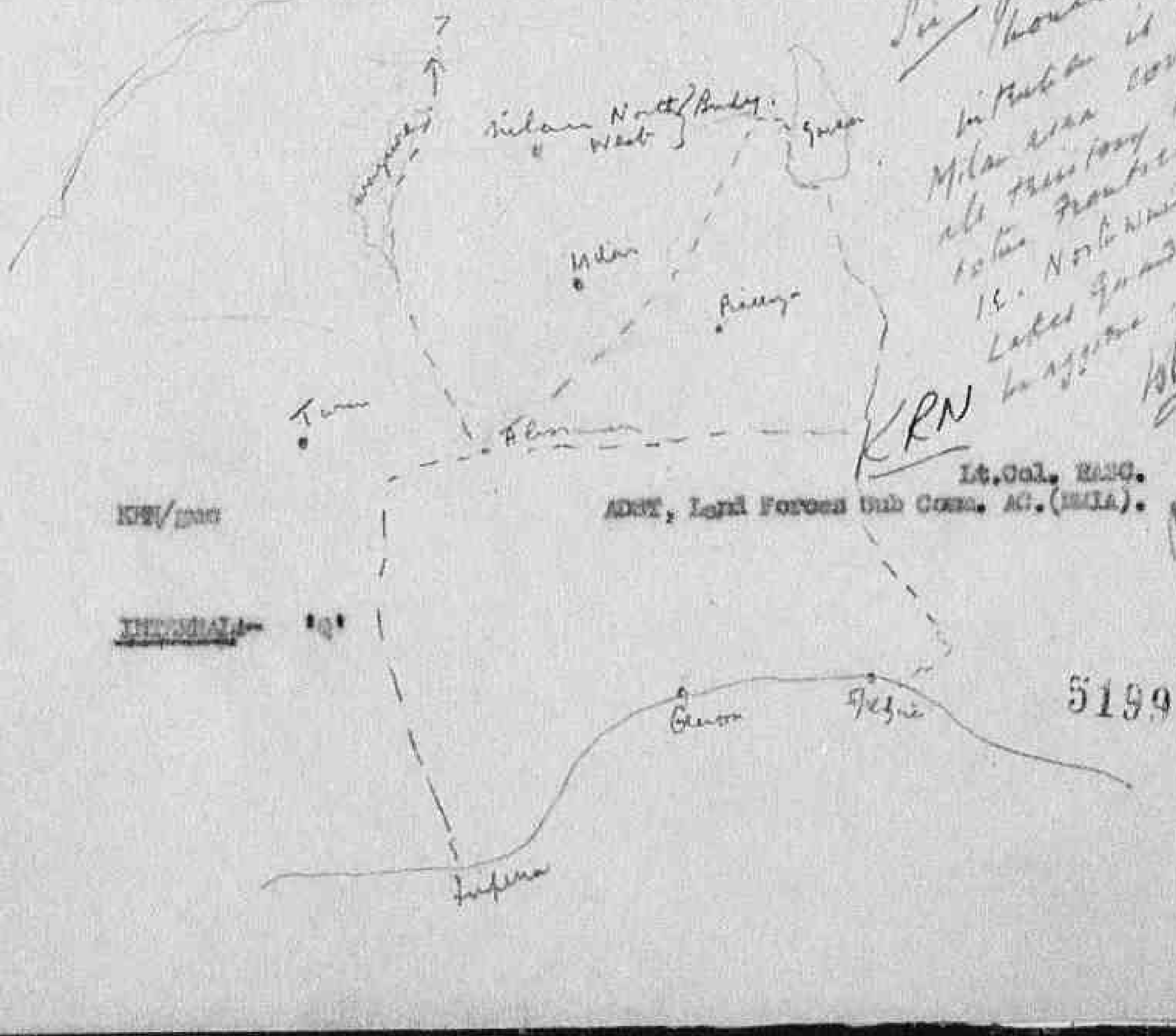
1. Herewith copy of MMIA MO HQ N.W. ITALY letter concerning geographic lay out of area for ration maintenance by respective Italian Army Depots.

2. It is deemed advisable that this subject be given thorough consideration with a view of conservation of road transport.



Sir Thomas L.O. in Paris is in Milan area control all these roads to the Frontier North of Milan i.e. North West Italy Lakes Frontier to Ventimiglia

KRN

Lt.Col. RMMO.
ADMT, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

KRN/gmcc

INTERNAL:- 'Q'

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Subject:- Provisioning N.W. Italy.-

S&T MAIA LO., N.W. ITALY
c/o Signal Office,
GENOA

STG/8
25 October 1945

To:- M.M.I.A., ROME (for S&T).-

Herewith suggested Geographical layout of areas to be maintained from Depots in N.W. Italy:-

GENOA -(2 Distribution Depot): EAST of the line including IMPERIA to excluding ALBA - ASTI - ALESSANDRIA - TORTONA - BOBBIO - to including BERCETO - PONTREMOLI - SARZANA - LA SPEZIA.-

PIACENZA -(75 Distribution Depot): Within the northern boundary of GENOA including ALESSANDRIA to excluding BERCETO to including PARMA - PIADENA - DESENZANO - West lake GARDA to including GARGANO - VESTONE - BRESCIA to excluding CREMA - LODI - PAVIA to including ALESSANDRIA.-

MILAN -(3 Distribution Depot): East Lake MAGGIORE to including NOVARA to excluding VERCELLI - CASALE - ALESSANDRIA.-
(also Novara to Bonfiti)

TURIN - (1 Distribution Depot): West of MILAN - GENOA boundaries.-

S/Captain, RASC.,
S&T MAIA LO.,
N.W. Italy

Copy to:- Major Ge (for info)

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AC/SC ADST
DADS KRN 29/10
SCS 30/10

S & T. M[illegible]
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LECT V HAA [illegible] IMPORTANT

FECH ST LO- GENOA 240644

TO M.MIL.A. - ROME

IMPORTANT

INFO --

QSH QR13 ST

S. T
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STC/17(.) UNCLASSIFIED(.) REF [redacted] YOUR ST/13291 NO(.). FURTHER ACCOMODATION WAS FOUND BY M A J O R C E. AFTER MY VISIT TO P I A C E N Z A.

ST

THI 0958

is the accn. Borgotaro? MIL.

DADS KRN 25/9

DADS know we KG with it?

TO P I A C E N Z A

IMPORTANT

S & T, MMIA.
Read 25/9
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SENT 0624Z/7 IMPORTANT 1747A WJS QR Y

JR 7 DD JU 1947 -4 X

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SUBJECT:- Hospital Diet Items and Disinfectants.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(A.M.I.A.).
G/182
25 Sept 45.

55 B.L.U. (Your Q 4 -165 of 16 Sept. refers)

Copy to:- 51 B.L.U.
52 B.L.U.
56 B.L.U.
217 AREA

1. Hospital Diet Items are not authorised for issue to hospitals of Italian Combat Divisions. Allocations are made to Italian Territorial Hospitals only.

2. Disinfectants may be drawn from the Territorial Medical Stores Depot. Disinfectants are released from British R.S.C. stocks, stored and distributed through Italian Army Medical channels.

3. Supply Sections, Combat Divisions, should procure disinfectants from Medical Stores Depot in the Territorial Area in which Division is located.

for Lt.Col. R.E.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (A.M.I.A.)

KPN/ma

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Med
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LROF V MAAZ IMPORTANT 210007

FROM STLO MILAN 210930B

TO MMIA ROME

QSH GR 51 BT

(AC/2) . UNCLASSIFIED . NEW PREMISES FOR BULK DEPOT AT
M A G A Z Z I N O - G E N E R A L E M I L A N SUITABLE
RAIL SERVED AVAILABLE TO RECEIVED S U P P L I E S NOW .
PRESUME BULK DEPOT PERSONNEL AT G E N O A WILL MOVE TO
M I L A N SUGGEST HALF MOVE NOW TO ORGANISE RECEIPTS
AND REMAINDER MOVE WHEN G E N O A CLEARED .
MAJOR GE IS INFORMING WAR MINISTRY . RETURNING G E N O A 24

BT

THI 1013

SENT JJ B1 K

RPT FROM MAJOR TO WAR FSE K
GE IS INFORMING

NR 07 RD JM 1145 ASS AS AS

Spoke to Col Fraicaro to take depot - hold in reserve

Spoke to Cattan to hold position to be clarified by Policy

KRN 5/9

"S" & T. MMIA.

Recd 5195

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Subject: Supplies to Combat Groups.

53 B.L.U.
Ref. Q4-165
16 Sep 45

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

217 Area
HQ Combat Group FOLGORE

1. In accordance with instructions in your LO/Q2 of 11 Aug 45, Combat Group FOLGORE commenced drawing SF supplies from the Italian Food Distribution Depot at BOLZANO on 21 Aug 45.

2. The Combat Group FOLGORE now report that the supplies drawn are certain food commodities only and no issues have been made of hospital supplies and disinfectants.

3. This matter was discussed between the AQMG 217 Area and the DMA & QMG of this HQ on approx 6 Sep during the former's visit to this HQ.

4. May this HQ pleased be informed what the possibilities are for these items to be supplied through Italian channels or in what other manner these items can be obtained by Combat Group FOLGORE.

Lt.Col.
G.S.

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

20 A

FROM: MMIA

TO(FOR ACTION): GENOA

TO(FOR INFO): MILAN (FOR COTTON)

RSF NO ST/1009 UNCLASSIFIED(.)FOR MMIA LO(.) COMMISSARIATO MILAN SIGNAL 1531/1 of 17 TO WAR MINISTRY REFERRED TO ACCOMMODATIONS IN PIACENZA FOR FOOD DEPOT(.) IS BUILDING SAME AS REFERRED IN YOU STG/17 of 18(.)

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PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION:

(ST/102)

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TRANSLATION (ORIGINAL HELD BY MINISTRY OF WAR)

REF NO.1531/1. IN REPLY TO 17252/S/1 OF 12 SEP. EX-SUBSISTENCE PREMISES IN PIACENZA CANNOT BE UTILISED OWING TO BAD DAMAGE. FOOD DEPOT IS LOCATED IN BARRACKS, FORMERLY A VEHICLE PARK, WHERE IS AVAILABLE AN EFFICIENT SHED WHOSE CAPACITY IS ABOUT 10,000 QUINTALS OF COMMODITIES. ANOTHER SHED IS AVAILABLE FOR TROOPS, COOKHOUSE AND OFFICES BUT NEEDS TO BE REPAIRED. REPAIRS CAN BE CARRIED OUT IN 15 DAYS. EFFICIENT SHED ACTUALLY OCCUPIED BY CIVILIAN VEHICLE WORKSHOP. GARRISON COMMAND ASSURES CLEARING IN 10 DAYS AND STARTING OF REPAIR WORKS IMMEDIATELY AFTER APPROVAL BY MINISTRY OF WAR. REPORT IS FORWARDED.

Signed Col GRIPPO
DIRECTOR.

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Copy to Q2

LROF V MEBW NR 121

FROM ST MMIA LO C/O 60 SUB AREA [redacted] 181430A

TO MMIA HQ ROME

GR 17 BT

STG /17 UNCLASSIFIED

REF YOUR ST/1002 SUITABLE ACCOMODATION ITALIAN ARMY BARRACKS ROUTE 10 3 KILOMETRES WEST OF PIACENZA

BT THI 1630A

NR 121 1657A LEAKE B 1 K

RD 1657 GAA B1 KK

10th Ind. Div in Piacenza area

S & T, MMIA

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4/19 SIGNALS

Advise Ptys to 2nd Bde already allotted

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : MMIA

TO : MMIA LO CHICOA

17. 1540

ST/1002

UNCLASSIFIED (.) REF YOUR AC/1 OF 15 (.) PLEASE ADVISE FULL ADDRESS OF SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION PIACENZA FOR FOOD DIST DEPOT (.) WILL ENDEAVOR SECURE RELEASE THROUGH Q CHANNELS (.)

PRECEDENCE: IMPORTANT

(ST/182) AUTHENTICATION: [illegible] Lt.Col.

INTERNAL: Q2

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SUBJECT :- Provisioning - N.E. Italy.

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182

17 Sept 45.

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Ministry of War

Copy to :- MMIA LO (ST) N.E. Italy c/o 86 AMEA.
(Your ST/6 of 13 Sept. 45 refers)
30 B.I.U.

1. MMIA LO N.E. Italy has advised Direz. Commissariato No 4 Territorial Command, and Commissariato Section Mestre that from 21 October 45 it is anticipated that approximately 7000 troops of Friuli Division will be maintained from the No 4 Food Distribution Depot Belluno instead of No 74 Food Distribution Depot Verona.

2. Balance of troops, Friuli Division, will continue to be maintained ex Verona.

3. This data is for information for your overall provisioning programme.

KRN

Lt.Col. RASO.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MMIA).

KRN/mm

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SUBJECT:- Rationing of FRIULI Group.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. MMIA.
N.E. ITALY
c/o HQ 86 Area
ST/6

Sezione Commissariato,
MESTRE.

13 Sep 45.

Copy to:- HQ MMIA
50 B.L.U.
Direz Comm, 4 Terr Command, BOLZANO.
MMIA LO with " " "
Sezione Commissariato, VERONA.

1. With effect from 21 Oct 45, approx 7,000 men of FRIULI Gp will be maintained from BOLZANO Depot, instead of VERONA. Remaining 1,600 will continue to draw from VERONA.

2. Please make necessary adjustments in your stock movement programme, starting with period 3 - 12 Oct 45.

AOST
DAOS
SCS

KRN 17/9
Hqs 18/9

WHDC/bg

WHS. Crawford
Major. RASC.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. MMIA.

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C & T. MMIA.

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LRKD V MAAZ 150133 IMPORTANT

FROM ST M M I A GENOA 151200B

TO MMIA ROME

QQY GR 37 BT

AC/1 - RESTRICTED -

ALL SUITABLE OCCUPATION IN PIACENZA WILL BE OCCUPIED BY 10 IND DIV 22 SEPT . IF IT IS INTENDED STILL T O ESTABLISH A DEPOT PIACENZA ACCOMMODATION QUESTION WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN UP WITH HIGHER AUTHY

BT 151200

SENT NR 133 'P' BMS ' BBB K
RECD NR 133 15/2// 15/1925 B AAA AR

S & T. Mmia 137

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Subject:- Duties.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.
G/401
14 September, 1945.

To:-

M.F.A. & C.
S.M. Italy,
Milan.

1. As S.T. Liaison officers are responsible for all Supplies and Transports matters in Milan, Turin, Genoa and Alessandria areas, in future L.C. at Genoa will make periodic visits to Territorial H.Q. Depots and Transport Units in the above mentioned areas.

2. During the periods of his absence from Genoa, would you please refer to G2 Sub Area, for any information required.

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

What info. can they give? About ITI-ITI very little I imagine but they could always send them into practice down into it!

Copy to:-
S.T.

JL/fam

"S & T. MMIA.
Recd 16 AM 5135
File ST/ 182

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INTER-OFFICE MEMO

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

Date : 12 Sept 45

File : ST/182

SUBJECT: Duties.

TO : Q Branch

Ref attached draft to ST Liaison Officer N.W. Italy can you please make arrangements so that 60 Sub Area answer queries raised by Senior LO MILAN concerning GENOA in absence of ST Liaison Officer.

Will you please return draft with any comments which you may wish to make.

ADST See on letter Q/101 of 10 Sept 45.

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

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SUBJECT:- Duties.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182

ST MMIA LO N.W. ITALY c/o 60 Sub Area. Sept 45.

1. As ST Liaison Officer you are responsible for all Sup and Tpt matters in MILAN, TURIN, GENOA and ALESSANDRIA areas, and in order to ensure efficient ST services it is necessary that you make periodic visits to Territorial HQ, Depots and Tpt units in the above mentioned places.

2. Owing to the shortage of officers, a Liaison Officer is not available for GENOA. You are therefore to assist the Senior Liaison Officer at MILAN as far as possible with any queries that he may have concerning GENOA.

3. It is appreciated that you cannot undertake 100% duties of Liaison Officer GENOA in view of your ST commitments but in your absence from that city you should notify Senior LO MILAN and 60 Sub Area in order that he may then make his request for information to 60 Sub Area.

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

HAFWJ/gmc

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SUBJECT:- Duties.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182

ST MILA LO N.Y. ITALY a/c 60 Sub Area.

15 Sept 45.

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HAPWJ/gmc

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

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ST/182

12 Sept 45

Duties.

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MW

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

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TRANSLATION BY Lt. W.R. TREVELYAN

(45)

FROM : Ministry of War

To : M.M.I.A.

Ref. 4882/I.C./RIS.

7 SEP 45.

SUBJECT :- Tour by Colonel Landolfi on the MILAN, GENOA and LEGHORN Areas.

Herewith copy of a report by Col Ugo LANDOLFI, given to us to-day, in regard to a tour by him of the Milan, Genoa and Leghorn Areas.

In relation to this, the following comments are made :

1) MILAN. In order to insure that the Milan Distribution Depot is better arranged, the General Directorate of Engineers has been asked to see to the repair of the sheds near the premises used by the distribution depot in Via Monti 59. If these sheds are available, it will be possible to have the Stocks divided up by types and in different issue points.

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TRANSLATION BY LT. TREVELYAN

TO : Ministry of War

6 September 1945

SUBJECT:- Visit to Commissariat Establishemnts at MILAN, GENOA, and LEGHORN.

In compliance with the orders given by the Ministry of War, I visited Commissariat establishments at MILAN, GENOA, and LEGHORN, where I made contacts with the units in operation and the local MMIA LO's.

The actual situation of the establishments is as follows.

MILAN.

The MMIA LO, Capt. COTTON, Who deals with supplies, was not present in MILAN on the 31 st August, but I met him on the 3rd Sept at GENOA.

The only MMIA officer at MILAN, Major BIRD said that, as far as he was concenred, all was going well since units had never mentioned difficulties from delay or irregularity in drawing rations.

However he was informed that the Distribution Depot had not sufficient premises; therefore he suggested a visit to them and to extend the visit to the General Depot's premises, at Via Melciore Delfico 52, and also to those of the Central clothing and Equipment Depot at Via Privata della Rovere (at Baggio). For this purpose I made arrangements with the MILAN Director of the Commissariato.

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Moreover another covered space has been given to the Distribution Depot in the same premises of Via V. Monti 59, now being used by the Military Bakery, and with a capacity for holding about 6000 quintals of rations.

In all there is covered space for 18000 quintals of goods, beyond that already at the disposal of the Distribution Depot, which is used solely for storing rations to be issued to units.

This is sufficient for putting the work into operation, but the Distribution Depot has not actually agreed to use more issue points, as would be desirable and as requested by the Allies, so as to have greater order and speed in issuing rations. For this purpose I would repair the sheds which are partly destroyed and could be used by the Distribution Depot.

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For the moment, in order to make amends for poorness of the premises, a programme has been worked so to issue out the rations in as few days as possible.

As requested by Major BIRD, Col. GRIPPO and I also visited the Clothing and Equipment Depot at BAGGIO. At present they offer greater possibilities for space, but distance of the premises from the centre of MILAN and the railway constitute negative factors in using them for the Distribution Depot, besides taking into account the fact that they are necessary for storing clothing.

MILITARY BAKERY.

Officer i/c is Major Giuseppe PACIFICO,. There is no junior officer.

The bakery is in the same buildings as the Distribution Depot (tel 41805 - 495233). It provides enough bread for 7000 daily rations. The bread is good and is made by five ovens. It is not necessary to use the 3 Telescocar ovens which already making biscuits.

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On the other hand, the use is impeded by the lack of mineral coal.

3rd SUPPLY UNIT

Officer i/c is 2/Lt Fausto BARBARA, not very competent. Thus the unit is not efficient and the discipline, order and cleanliness leave plenty to be desired. The Milan Commissariato have arranged to replace him with Capt. Ippolito, officer i/c Publication Depot.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS.

The work in Milan progresses, but there is still scope for better arrangement of the stocks, for perfecting the documents and returns to the Allied Authorities. All this has been noted by the Commissariato Director and he has taken action.

GENOA ESTABLISHMENTS.

On 3 Sept I met the Commissariato Director, and Allied LO, Captain COTTON, and together we visited 42 BSD and our Bulk Depot. The aforesaid Allied officer seemed completely satisfied with the working of the Commissariato services. He mentioned to me that he thought that Lt.Col. PETTURA does not take sufficient trouble with his work, and in particular that he had not taken the advice of the Allies regarding finding premises. He welcomed the idea of his transfer to another position.

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2nd PORT DETACHMENT.

Officer i/c 2/Lt Aimone FABIANO. The other officer as on the W.E. is missing, as well as an N.C.O. Not actually working. Therefore it is necessary to make up the W.E. in view of the immediate prospect of its being used . It is located with 2nd Supply Unit.

2nd SUPPLY UNIT.

Officer i/c is Lt. Luigi AIMI, assisted by 2/Lt GERLIN Mario . It is located in the Doria Barracks (tel 580273).

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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS.

The organisation of the service in Genoa is going very well. The personnel know how to manage the depots and also the Allied accounting. The Commissariat Directorate has already asked for personnel to make the W.E. I ask to look into the matter .

LEGHORN ESTABLISHMENTS.

I contacted the Commissariat Section and the Allied LO.
Afterwards I visited the LEGHORN establishments on Sept 5th.

COMMISSARIAT SECTION.

Officer i/c is Major Ettore PICCHIORRI, assisted by 2/LT. ROCCHI. One NCO is required. There are no typists. It is located in a place absolutely inade inadequate for normal work. It urgently needs another officer, who has been allocated - namely Lt. Antonio RUBINO (3/15 699 dated 17 Aug). Also some civilian employment is needed to help the head of the Section in dealing with the documents, especially in the early stages of organisation.

BULK DEPOT.

Officer i/c is Lt.Col. GIORGINI who is to be replaced by Major BARDI. He has no assistant. 3 NCO's and 4 OR's are needed. It is located in very unfortunate premises at Via Palestro 16 B, absolutely insufficient as regard space and hardly suitable for keeping stocks of food.
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It is my opinion that this situation ought to be dealt with at once, to bring the service back to normal.

7th SUPPLY DETACHMENT.

Has no officer i/c. Personnel at Leghorn actually are with the Port Detachment .

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS.

The situation at the Commissariat Section and other establishments at Leghorn, excepting the Distribution Depot, is very precarious, as said above, and requires urgent supervision for the improvement of the efficiency of the

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personnel. The normalisation of the Bulk and Distribution Depots can hardly be put into effect until the Engineers have repaired the Scalo Cerere premises. It would be useful if the Ministry of War could contact the Engineers General Directorate.

Major PICCHIORRI has been told to see to the arranging of the Commissariat Sections officers, so that details regarding the occupation of the suitable premises may be completed. He has had to suspend there on account of more urgent work, namely the necessity of providing for the making of bread for men in the Coltano Concentration Camp.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

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Roma, 7 Settembre 1945/=

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Al IA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
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R O M A

OGGETTO: Sopraluogo Colonnello LANDOLFI nelle zone di Milano-Genova e Livorno.

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE DEI SERVIZI LOGISTICI

E' stato telegraficamente disposto l'avviamento di un ufficiale inferiore commissario alla Sezione di Commissariato di Livorno e di due ufficiali inferiori di sussistenza al Deposito Speciale Viveri di Livorno. Nel contempo è stata interessata la Direzione Generale Personale Ufficiali per l'urgente assegnazione di due ufficiali al Distaccamento Portuale di Livorno e di un ufficiale al Distaccamento del 7° Reparto Rifornimenti in Livorno.

Inoltre, come già noto a codesta Missione, per il maggiore Berardi, il quale avrebbe dovuto assumere la carica di consegnatario del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Livorno, è stata già disposta la sostituzione con il capitano di sussistenza Canessa Angelo.

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Roma, 6 settembre 1945.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale Servizi di Comm/to ed Amm/vi ROMA

OGGETTO: Visita Stabilimenti di Commissariato di Milano,Genova,Livorno.

Conformemente agli ordini ricevuti da codesto Ministero, ho visitato gli Stabilimenti di Commissariato di Milano, Genova e Livorno, nelle quali sedi ho preso contatto con gli organi direttivi del servizio e con le MMIA LO' locali.
La situazione attuale degli Stabilimenti è qui di seguito indicata:

Stabilimenti di Milano.
L'ufficiale di collegamento della MMIA che si occupa particolarmente del servizio di vettovagliamento, Capitano inglese Cotton non era presente alla sede il giorno 31 agosto u.s., e mi sono incontrato con lui, il 3 corrente, a Genova.
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Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri.
Ne è Consegnatario il Ten.Suss.za Longo Enrico(s.p.) coadiuvato dai S.Ten. di complemento Longo Giuseppe e Di Salvo Aldo. E' sistemato nel complesso di fabbricati di Via V.Monti 59(telef.41805 -495233) Dispone di pochi locali in quanto molti sono attualmente inutilizzabili a seguito degli intervenuti bombardamenti.
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E' stato inoltre ceduto al Magazzino Viveri, negli stessi locali di Via V. Monti 59, altro spazio coperto, già a disposizione del Panificio Militare, con capacità di immagazzinamento di circa 6.000 qli di derrate. In complesso si dispone di uno spazio coperto, attualmente, per 18.000 qli di merci,oltre lo spazio già a disposizione del Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri, che resta così utilizzato unicamente per l'immagazzinamento delle derrate destinate alla distribuzione ai Corpi.

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E' stato inoltre ceduto al Magazzino Viveri, negli stessi locali di Via V. Monti 59, altro spazio coperto, già a disposizione del Panificio Militare, con capacità di immagazzinamento di circa 6.000 qli di derrate. In complesso si dispone di uno spazio coperto, attualmente, per 18.000 qli di merci,ol= tre lo spazio già a disposizione del Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri, che resta così utilizzato unicamente per l'immagazzinamento delle derrate desti= nate alla distribuzione ai Corpi.
Con tali provvidenze si fa fronte al servizio, ma il Magazzino di Distribu= zione non consente, nelle attuali condizioni, di impiantare come sarebbe desiderabile e come richiesto da parte Alleata, più posti di distribuzione onde conferire maggiore ordine e celerità nella effettuazione della spesa viveri. A tale scopo riterrei sommamente utile che i capannoni semidistrut= ti, in continuazione degli attuali locali occupati dal Magazzino Viveri, fossero ripristinati. La spesa, seppure di una certa entità, abdrebbe desti= nata, in definitiva, a beni demaniali e consentirebbe una conveniente siste= mazione dei nostri servizi in Milano.
Per il momento, allo scopo di ovviare alla penuria dei locali, è stato for= mulato un programma per cui la spesa viveri viene esaurita in più giorni.

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Per aderire al desiderio espressomi dal maggiore Bird, ho visitato anche, unitamente al Col.Grippo, i locali del Magazzino Centrale V.E. in Baggio. Essi offrono, almeno per ora, larga possibilità di spazio, ma la distanza dei locali dal Centro di Milano e la mancanza di raccordo ferroviario costituiscono fattori negativi per la loro destinazione a Magazzino Militare Distribuzione Viveri, senza tener conto che il prevedibile sviluppo del servizio vestiario e dei recuperi fa ritenere che questi locali saranno necessari a tali servizi.

Panificio Militare.

Ne è consegnatario il Maggiore di Suss.za Pacifico Giuseppe. Manca l'ufficiale inferiore addetto.

E' sistemato negli stessi locali del Magazzino Viveri(Tel.41805 -495233). Provvede alla panificazione di circa 7.000 razioni giornaliere. Il prodotto è buono e viene ottenuto da 5 forni in muratura.Non ènecessario impiegare i tre forni Telescocar già destinati alla produzione della galletta. D'altra parte, la loro utilizzazione sarebbe impedita dalla attuale indisponibilità di carbone minerale.

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Considerazioni Generali.

Il servizio a Milano è avviato, ma esistono ancora delle lacuna per quanto si attiene alla sistemazione delle derrate, al perfezionamento delle tabelle ed alla segnalazione di dati alle Autorità Alleate. Tutto ciò è noto al Direttore di Commissariato che al riguardo ha impartito istruzioni.

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Il 3 settembre ho preso contatto col Direttore di Commissariato e con l'ufficiale alleato di Collegamento, Cap.Cotton, insieme al quale ho visitato il 4° BSD ed il nostro Deposito Speciale Viveri. Il predetto ufficiale alleato sembra in complesso soddisfatto del funzionamento dei servizi di Commissariato. Mi ha solo palesato il pensiero che il Ten.Col.Rettura non si occupi sufficientemente del lavoro a lui affidato, ed in particolare, che egli non abbia tradotto in atto i suggerimenti dati da parte degli Alleati perquanto si riferisce alla ricerca dei locali. Ha accolto favorevolmente la notizia del suo trasferimento ad altra sede.

Deposito Speciale Viveri

Ne è Consegnatario il Ten.Col.PELLIZZA Giuseppe che fa bene e riscuote fiducia. E' coadiuvato dal Ten.Compl. ADAMI Giuseppe dal S.Ten.SPADONI Sergio. Il Deposito ha sede in Genova - Rivarolo via Pallavicini (telef.42028) ed è munito di raccordo ferroviario. Provvede a rifornire i Magazzini Distribuzione Viveri di Genova (10.000 uomini), Milano (32.000), Torino (5.000) ed Alessandria (5.000) per una forza complessiva di circa 52.000 uomini. I locali di cui attualmente dispone non sono sufficienti per contenere le derrate necessarie ad assicurare il servizio dei Magazzini Distribuzione Viveri e costituire le previste scorte. Unitamente all'ufficiale alleato di Collegamento ho ricercato e trovato un locale idoneo, della superficie di m2 1500, di proprietà della Società Mira-Lanza di Rivarolo, sito nelle vicinanze dell'attuale Deposito. Con tale locale, la questione dello spazio deve intendersi risolta.

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Magazzino Militare Distribuzione Viveri

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E' comandato dal Ten.Ftr. Compl.Aimi Luigi coadiuvato dal S.Ten.Ftr.Compl. Gerlin Mario.
Ha sede nella Caserma Doria (telef.580273).

Considerazioni Generali

L'organizzazione del servizio in Genova è curata ed i risultati sono buoni. Il personale è edotto della tenuta dei magazzini e della contabilità in base ai criteri alleati.
Per il ripianamento degli organici la Direzione di Commissariato ha già inoltrato richiesta di personale, che pregherei di voler esaminare.

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Stabilimenti di Li.orno.
Ho preso contatto con la Sezione di Commissariato e con l'ufficiale alleato di Collegamento.
Dopo di che ho visitato il giorno 5 corrente gli Stabilimenti di Livorno.
Sezione Commissariato Militare.
E' retta dal maggiore Commissario Picchiorri Ettore, coadiuvato dal S.Ten. Rocchi. Dispone di un solo sottufficiale; non ha dattilografi.
E' accantonata in un locale di circostanza assolutamente inadatto per potervi svolgere un normale lavoro. Ha urgente necessità di ricevere l'altro Ufficiale che risulta assegnato nella persona del ten.Rubino Antonio (dispaccio 3/15699 del 17/8/45), e di assumere qualche impiegato civile che collabori col Capo Sezione nella redazione dei documenti di servizio, specialmente nell'attuale fase di organizzazione.
Deposito Speciale Viveri.
Ne ' consegnatario il Ten.Col.Suss.za Giorgini che attende la sostituzione col Maggiore Bardi. Non è coadiuvato da altri Ufficiali; mancano pure 3 sottufficiali e 4 soldati.
Occupa attualmente infelicissimi locali alla Via Palestro n° 16 B, locali assolutamente insufficienti come capacità e limitatamente idonei per la conservazione delle derrate.
A cura della Sezione di Commissariato sono stati trovati altri locali allo scalo Cerere presso la Caserma La Marmora, composti di II capannoni utilizzabili dopo le riparazioni che il Genio potrà ultimare solo entro la fine del corrente mese. I capannoni hanno in complesso una superficie di 6350 m2 circa. In essi potranno trovare conveniente sistemazione sia il Deposito Speciale che il Magazzino Distribuzione Viveri.
Per il momento la sistemazione del Deposito è precaria ed i rifornimenti a Bologna e Firenze pur figurando eseguiti dal Deposito che assumerà in carico le derrate, dovranno di fatto essere effettuati direttamente dal Deposito Alleato ai Magazzini di Bologna e Firenze.
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I locali non si prestano molto per effettuarvi una conveniente distribuzione delle derrate per essere muniti di una sola porta di accesso. Viene comunque fatto fronte al servizio con ogni migliore buon volere, cosicchè la distribuzione, pur risultando difficile, si svolge con relativa regolarità.
Il personale è orientato.
Distaccamento Portuale.
Il suo Comandante, S.Ten.s.p. Sessa Ottavio, è stato dimesso dall'Ospedale in data 5 corrente, ed inviato in licenza di convalescenza di giorni 40.
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L'organico degli uomini di truppa risulta deficiente di 4 unità.
E' mio avviso che questa situazione debba formare oggetto di pronto intervento, per ristabilire la normalità del servizio.
Distaccamento 7° Reparto Rifornimenti.
Non ha il suo Comandante. Il personale di truppa distaccato a Livorno si appoggia attualmente al Distaccamento Portuale.

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Considerazioni Generali.

La situazione della Sezione di Commissariato e degli Stabilimenti di Livorno, eccezion fatta per il Magazzino Viveri, è, come innanzi detto, assolutamente precaria e richiede urgenti provvedimenti per migliorarne l'efficienza nei riguardi del personale.
Per quanto ha tratto alla definitiva sistemazione del Deposito e del Magazzino Viveri, la normalizzazione del servizio si potrà avere appena il Genio avrà rimesso in efficienza i locali dello Scalo Cerere. Al riguardo potrebbe essere utile l'interessamento di codesto Ministero presso la Direzione Generale del Genio.
Per la sistemazione degli uffici della Sezione di Commissariato è stato interessato il Maggiore Picchiorri perchè definisca le pratiche già in corso per la occupazione di locali idonei allo scopo, pratiche da lui sospese per più urgenti impegni di servizio, quali la necessità di dover provvedere alla panificazione per gli uomini del campo di concentramento di Coltano.

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO
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SUBJECT:-Reports

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub. Comm. AC. (MMIA)
N.E. Italy
c/o 56 Area
ST/35

6 September 45

HQ. MMIA.

1. I enclose translation of a report made by Col. Landolfi on the supply situation in N.E. Italy.

2. I have added my comments in pencil. If I have made no comments, there is no implication that I agree with the report.

WHDC/nc

Major R.A.S.C.

S & T. MMIA.

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Venice= Mestre 29 Aug. 1945

TO THE MINISTRY OF WAR
DIREZ. Gen. Serv. di Comm/to ed Amm/vi

ROME;

SUBJECT:- Setting up of Sezione Commissariato Mestre and of Commissariat Establishment in the Veneto.

Following my Memorandum of Aug. 14, I herewith summarise the situation, as it now stands, after the measures which have been taken through the work done by the MMIA LO and the Commissariat section of Mestre:

1. SEZIONE COMMISSARIATO OF MESTRE.
This Section is located in a building belonging to S.A. Prada Asfalti of Mestre-Marghera- Via Galvani 8 (Tel. 51083), in the same building with MMIA-LO.
The number of Junior Commissariat Officers in this Section should be at least three, considering the hard work and important work, that the Section has to do, also the necessity of looking after the work of the Establishment, the sampling of the pasta, and may be also the toasting of the coffee, which if concentrated in Mestre, will require a permanent officer of its own. This third officer-I think- could go on strength of the Direction of Udine, which, after the formation of the Mestre Section, has very much reduced its work.
At present in the Section there is Capt. Colonna who will not be able to remain on the strength after his promotion to Major, which is not far off, and Lt. De Dato.
I think it will be very useful, that these two officers should be gradually relieved by first class people, and sent back to the Direz. Commissariato, of Udine, which is also short of personnel.

2. PORT DETACHMENT .-
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3. 'DETACHMENT OF VoREPARTO RIFORNIMENTO.
(a) - COMMANDER - The Udine Territolial command has recalled the 2/Lt. (Infantry) Retenari Fioravantie, who had been released. He has assumed the Command of the Detachment on the 18 of August. He is still in civilian clothes as he has not got a uniform. He has been authorized to draw on repayment a uniform of ordinary soldiers cotton material.- He seems very willing, but he has little experience , and it will take some time before he will be fit for the job.- I propose that he will be subsituted.
(b) Junior Officers. There are now 8 Junior Officers. We would need at least 18, viz:-

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6 to D.D.
5 to B.D. Mestre, which have to establish more distribution;
2 t to Sezione Commissariato;
3 To Port Detachment;
2 to Troops detachment.

(c) TROOPS. It is insufficient for ~~duty number service duty suppression duty if with this per~~ form, espescially as they have to escort the trains.

I think that the Det. should have a 100 men ,at least,being impossible to ~~find~~ have other soldiers as guards, because the district of Venice have absolutely no troops.

(d) Billets ~~Billets~~ Soldiers at the present moment ,are billeted in two large cottages -sleeping on hammocks-and are very uncomfortable.It will be possible ,perhaps to have a betterarrangement within the end of this month,in having a building at No. I4 Via Fratelli Bandiera in Marghera,belongingto E.N.A.C.

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Receipt of Italian rations came later. First introduction to BD was the 20 and 21 Aug. from S/S HINDSHOLM;for this fact it was impossiblr to provide fully and promptly for these items

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The personnel of the DDS ,Mestre is perfectly capable. The organisation and functioning is perfect.

5. FOOD DEPOT. (Strength for food.no. 18.000-)

It is located in the Societa' "La Veloce" - Via Elettricita' (Tel. 50376) It is well protected by a wall and has also railroads. There is only one officer(S. TEN. Cervo.) He tries his best to do his job properly. It is absolutely necessary that another will be appointed,possibly a captain that know the job, as the prevision for the strength of provisions are much more superior.(No. 18000 insted of 9.000). Also the fittings and facilities of the Store should be improved , by establishing more places ,of the distribution and be able of facing the necessity of about 100 Units,who comes under this Depot for the drawing of ration.

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For the first issue the Depot has been in the position of functioning properly, because the Unit variously fed ,up to the days: 21-22-23 and some others up to the 24 Aug. did not come contemporaneously for the issue. Therefore I gave some suggestions to the Chief of the Sezione.

6. DISTRIBUTION DEPOT IN UDINE. (Strength to be fed no.4.600).

It is located in suitable premises in the same building where the Military District is- Via Missionari-. There are two Supply Officers (Capt. Rubini and Lt. De Martino.

The Depot is now on telephone (186) work

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The Italian provided Items had exceptionally arrived at Udine since the 9 Aug.

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Matches		No.	2214000,00

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With this amount,with those contemporaneouslycollected from the 4 wagons and with those despatdhed by lorry from Mestre,(oil salt and soap)the Depot can dispose of Italian provided items,sufficient to insure widely the service.
The conclusion is, that the delay caused by the circumstances to the hurried supply of such provided items could not disturb the developing of the service ,because:-

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a) To the Units of the Presidio have been issued in the days 20 and 21 Aug. all the residue of the precedent fortnight ,and what was possible to collect from the DDof Valleggio,that had decidedto dispose of all the Italian items.
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Also , we need to establish in Verona a regular Sez. di Commissariat assigning ,to help Major Rossi the necessary staff.

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8. Distribution Depot in Bolzano. (Strength no. 13.000)

According to the Liaison Officer, Capt. Auteri that have been on the spot, the Depot dispose of good premises. The staff that has been assigned must be reinforced by assigning a Consigneethat has better practice of his duty.

9. DISTRIBUTION DEPOTIN FORLI' AND ANCONA.

b We will continue to be supplied from the Direz. of Bologna without the direct inteference of the Sez. of Mestre, as it was foreseen before. Anyway, casual necessity of direct interventions will be controlled from the MMIA.Lo of Mestre who will be aided by the Italian Lo. attached to him.
The Depot of Forli' has initiated its functioning on the 21 Aug; the one in Ancona will function as from the first of Sep.
Both Depot are provided with Italian and Allied food for the needs of one month supply.

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British field bowls	"	454
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THE CONCLUSION.

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The Establishment of the Commissariato Section,of the Bulk Food Depot and Distribution FoodDepot has been achieved through many difficulties,and to overcome them has been essential the presence of the Lt/Col Penroseand of Capt. Crawford,as for the possibility that they have had to resolve rapidly by arrangement with the local Allied Establishment all problems that were presented ,because they have enough experience.

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Particularly:

a) All telephone contact was missing with all the D.D.s

b) We could not rely on telegraphic signals; they were absolutely ineficient: Verona Distribution Depot on the 22 AUG. received the telegrams despatched from Sez. Comm. of Mestre on the 10 th. advising the sending up of comodities or requesting information about stockreached.

c) The Comm. Section could dispode only for one day (23 Aug.) of a car indispendable for the necessary liaison.

d) The vehicles needed for the loading up of supplies into wagons and for the normal operations of Store were badly lacking :

on the 1é aug. the Bulk Supply Depot could only dispose of one or two efficient car. This situation absolutely precarious has been resolved with a daily engagement of civilian vehicles up the 21 Aug. and these cars we got through direct arrangement with SEPRAL andl'ENACof Venice, from ConsorzioAutotrasporti of Mestre in the necessarymeasure to face all services.

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TRANSLATION.

From: Ministry of W. . Date: 29/8/45.

Subject: Formation of Commisariate Section and Establishments of the Commisariat in the Veneto.

Following my memorandum dated the 14/8/45, I summarize hereunder the situation as it presents itself today, after any action which could have been taken through the work done by M.M.I.A.L.O. and the Commisariat in the Veneto.

1) - Commisariate Section of Mestre -

The M.M.I.A.L.O. and offices are in the same building, the property of the S.A. Prada Asfalti - Marghera - Via Galvani No.8, (Tel: 51083).

The number of Commisariat Junior Officers should be brought up to at least three, bearing in mind the grave and important work that is required to be carried out, and the necessity to carry out external duties at the establishments: testing of macaroni and, eventually, roasting of coffee which, if concentrated at Mestre, require an officer to carry out that duty.

At present Capt. Colonna (who is shortly going to be promoted to Major, hence there will be no W/E for him) and Lieut. De Dato, are with the Section.

I deem it advisable to have these two officers replaced in turn by good elements and to have them returned to the Directorate at Udine which, generally speaking, is defficient of personnel.

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3) - Detachment 5 Supply Unit -

a) - C.O. - The Territorial Command of Udine recalled 2nd. Lieut. Retenari Fioravante XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, and he took over the command of the Detachment on the 18th of August. He is still in mufti as he has no uniform.- He has been authorizied to draw on repayment an O.R's K.D. uniform.- He seems willing, but lacks experience and much time is required to train him. - I propose his replacement.-

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b) - N.C.Os.-

8 Senior N.C.Os are present at the Detachment.- At least another 18 are required, specifically:

6 for the Ration Depot

5 for the Mestre Ration Store (which has to establish more distributing points)

2 for the Commisariat Section

3 for the Port Detachment

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c) - O.Rs: the number does not meet with the requirements of the service, especially if it is borne in mind that with the said personnel we must provide numerous escorts, which at present, engage them (the military escorts) for lengthy periods, because of frequent ~~suspentions~~ delays in railway communications. No! GUARD BNS for each Ter. Bn

I am of the opinion that the Detachment's strength should be brought up to 100 men, as it cannot find escorts elsewhere, due to the fact that the Venice Garrison has not got the least availability of O.Rs.

d) - Premises - O.Rs. are at present billeted - on camp beds - in two sheds on the same premises as the Commisariat Section. These premises are not comfortable enough.

We may have a better system by the end of this month when we will occupy premises located at Via Fratelli Bandiera in Marghera, property of the Ente Nazionale Assistenza Lavoratori (ENAL).

Repair work is being carried out, the first expense has been authorized by the Military Commisariat Directorate of Udine.

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With the arrival of flour shipped on S.S. SIMCOE PARK during the period 11 - 18 inst. and with the withdrawal of rations from Allied sources from 6 B.S.U. sufficient stock was quickly reached to supply largely Garrison Ration Depots and complete them within the fifteenth day for Verona and Bolzano Depots and within the seventeenth day for the Udine Depot, because of the known railway interruption which lasted until the 15th. August. Actually the depot has a stock of approximately 30 days Allied rations for a strength of 40000 men, except for meat, of which, stock is only for 17 days for the same strength. We could not reach for all Italian items, 30 days stock, but the unloading of SS WOODLAND PARK at Venice Docks is being carried out and the state of said items could be known on completion of ~~XXXX~~ unloading.

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The arrival of rations from Italian sources was belated, and the first arrival at the Bulk Depot took place on the 20th and 21st August off S.S.WINDSHOLM, for which, the supply of said ~~xxxx~~ items could not be hastened enough to make up entirely and quickly for the supplies that h had to arrive directly from Ancona and Verona.

The personnel at the Ration Bulk Depot of Mestre is perfectly oriented and capable. The organization is perfect and efficient in its functioning.

5) - Ration Depot of Mestre - (Victualling strength 18000)

Is located on the premises of the Societa "La Veloce" - Via Elettricita (Tel; 50376) ~~opportunely~~ conveniently fenced and linked with the railway.

Has only one Subaltern Q.M. (2nd. Lt. Cervo) who does his best to cope with the work.

It is necessary to have the other officer provided for on W/E ~~xx~~ assigned, if possible a Capt. acquainted with the work, moreover now that the strength to be victualled has grown greatly (18000 in lieu of 9000).

The equipment of the ~~xxxxx~~ Depot will have to be bettered ~~xxx~~ in order to meet the requirements of about 100 units who report to same depot to withdraw rations.

The first distribution has been carried out without inconveniences because the units (who had withdrawn rations until the 21,22,23 and even 24 of August respectively) have not reported at the same time to withdraw rations. I have issued intructions to the chief of the section accordingly.

6) - Food Depot - Udine - (Ration Strength 4600)

Is located in the same ~~seat as~~ premises as the Military District - Via Missionari - : the premises are suitable and there are two Subsistance Officers (Capt. Rubini and Lt. De Martino).

Telephone communications with this food depot can be obtained through Udine Commisariate Directorate (895).

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Railway transport (unavailable until the 15th of August) would not have allowed the building up of the stock needed, and therefore oil, macaroni (manufactured in a hurry at Venice by the firm "SELECTA") and soap supplies, have been transported by road using some of the lorries put at the disposal of the food depot or loading vehicles supplied by the 5th Territorial H.Q.

The Italian items had arrived at Udine on the 9th of August.

7) - Food Depot - Verona - (Ration strength 12500)

The depot is located in the same building of the Military Bakery at S. Marta and the premises are sufficient and suitable.

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The depot has no telephone and communications must be addressed to the Military Garrison H.Q. (Tel:1116) where the is a Commisariate Section under Command of Major Rossi.

The depot has received in time items from Allied sources.

Italian items have been stocked only on the 22nd. of August on request addressed by Capt. Crawford to the railway branches concerned. As a matter of fact, the waggons containing a/m items (which are the xxxx waggons erroneously sent from Ancona to Pozzi and which according to information sent by R.T.O. were sent from Treviso on the 15th of August by Mestre Commisariate Section) were held at the station for FOUR days together with some other waggons addressed to American Units. The Italian R.T.O. nowithstanding the urgent request from Verona food depot had completely ignored them.

As on the 22nd. of August the British D.I.D. - Valleggio - had handed over to Verona depot the following quantities of food supplies:

Tomatoe paste	Qls.	18,20
Wine	"	402,70
Dry fruit	"	74,88
Salt	"	30,69
Oil	"	50,84
Cigarettes	"	17,30
Matches		22140000

With these quantities and those withdrawn from a/m 4 waggons and those sent by road from Mestre (Oil, Salt and Soap) the depot has a sufficient stock of Italian items to meet service requirements amply.

Concluding, the delay caused by circumstances in supplying these Italian items as scheduled, has not disturbed the carrying out of the service, because:

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b) - Divisional Units who in the past withdrew from Valleggio had been (almost totally) supplied up to and over the 21st and therefore the withdrawal has been carried out by them after this time that is to say when the depot was amply stocked with all the food items.

It is needed to improve the situation of the officers of the factory. Actually officers i/c are two 2nd. Lts Emergency Reserve (Caputi and Perata) who are not up to standard. It is also needed to form a Commissariat Section putting the personnel required inder command of Major Rossi.

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8) - Ration Depot - Bolzano - (Ration strength 13000)

According to the Italian L.O., Capt. Autiero who visited the place, this depot is well situated. The personnel of this depot should be strengthened with one consignee who is better acquainted with this work.

The officers who are at present in charge, in spite of their good will, cannot cope with duties to be performed. Contrary to forecast, the depot was not in a position to function until the 21st. August.

9) - Ration Depots-Forli and Ancona -

Will continue to be supplied by the Directorate of Bologna without direct interference by the Mestre Section, as forecasted. However, it necessary should there be any direct action taken that will be vouched by M.M.I.A.L.O. Mestre who could use for the purpose its Italian L.O.

The Depot at Forli commenced functioning on the 21st August; the one in Ancona will start on the 1st September. They are both stocked with Italian and Allied rations, to meet requirements for one month.

10) - Proceedure of supply.-

820 tons of Allied and Italian rations are to be shipped to Ration Depots Udine - Bolzano and Verona to meet requirements for a fortnight, the shipments are made by rail in accordance with bid for transport made by Allied LO. every 10 days from Allied branches put forward to Rail Movements.

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Other material is being drawn.

This material is at present stored at the Commiserial Section of Mestre, awaiting for the Directorate Udine to arrange for the withdrawal repair and use.

Th is assignment is free of charge.

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-Epilogue-

The formation of the Commisariate Section Bulk Depots, and Garrison Distribution Depots has been hampered by many difficulties which have been overcome thanks to the fact that Lt. Col. Penrose and Capt. Crawford were ~~XXXXXXX~~ present and have thus been able to solve the problems which arose from time to time with the Allied Branches concerned ~~XXX~~ thanks to their specific knowledge of the matter.

It is to be noted that:

a) - there has been no telephone communications with any of the Garrison depots.

b) - it has not been possible to rely upon telegraph communications which were absolutely inefficient: for instance Verona Depot received on the 22nd. of August the telegram sent by Mestre Section on the 10th. which notified the shipment of food supplies or requested stock report.

c) - the Commisariate Section has been able to obtain a car ~~indispensable~~ essential to carry out the necessary communications only on the 23rd. of August.

d) - there has been a serious shortage of vehicles needed to load supplies on the waggons and to carry out the normal operations at the depots:- at the Bulk Depot on the 12th of August there were three military lorries of which one or two (maximum) were efficient. This precarious situation was solved by hiring any civilian cars obtainable (until the 21st August), through the SEPRAL and ENAC of Venice, from the M.T. Pool of Mestre, to cope with requirements.

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Generally, bearing in mind the a/m difficulties of communications and transportation for which nothing can be done and which have seriously endangered a regular carrying out of the service, my opinion is:

a) - that the period of ten days granted to ~~XXXXXXX~~ work out a so complicated service is to be considered short if we consider that it has been necessary (during said limited period) to prepare the premises

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c) - the Commisariate Section has been able to [illegible]
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d) - there has been a serious shortage of vehicles needed to load supplies on the waggons and to carry out the normal operations at the depot:- at the Bulk Depot on the 12th of August there were three military lorries of which one or two (maximum) were efficient. This precarious situation was solved by hiring any civilian cars obtainable(until the 21st August), through the SEPRAL and ENAC of Venice, from the M.T. Pool of Mestre, to cope with requirements.

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Generally, bearing in mind the a/m difficulties of communications and transportation for which nothing can be done and which have seriously endangered a regular carrying out of the service, my opinion is:

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b) - that the result obtained could hence be considered as XXXXXXXXX satifactory.

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AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
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OGGETTO: Impianto Sezione Commissariato Mestre e Stabilimenti di Commissariato nel Veneto.-

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Presentemente sono addetti alla Sezione il Capitano Colonna che non vi troverà più posto organico all'atto della sua promozione a Maggiore, ormai non lontana, ed il Tenente De Dato.-

Riterrei sommamente utile che questi due Ufficiali fossero gradualmente sostituiti da ottimi elementi e restituiti alla Direzione di Udine che, nel suo complesso, difetta pure di personale.-

La Sezione ha assunto cinque civili, di cui uno interprete.-

2°) - DISTACCAMENTO PORTUALE -

Il Comandante (Ten.Bonsegna) non gode la fiducia dell'Ufficiale Alleato di Collegamento. Confermo il pensiero che egli venga sollecitamente sostituito dal S.Ten.Danioni della Direzione di Roma, favorevolmente noto per avere svolto analogo servizio a Taranto.-

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3°) - DISTACCAMENTO V° REPARTO RIFORNIMENTI -

a) - COMANDANTE.- Il Comando Territoriale di Udine ha richiamato dal congedo il S.Tenente Fanteria RETENARI Fioravante che ha assunto il comando del Distaccamento il giorno 18 agosto. Veste ancora l'abito civile per mancanza di uniforme.- E' stato autorizzato a prelevare a

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pagamento una divisa di tela da truppa.- Sembra volenteroso ma ha scarsa esperienza ed occorre del tempo perchè si formi.- Ne propongo la sostituzione.-

b) - SOTTUFFICIALI.- Sono presenti al Distaccamento N° 8 Sottufficiali.- Ne occorrerebbero almeno 18 e precisamente:
6 per il Deposito Viveri;
5 per il Magazzino Viveri di Mestre;(che deve impiantare più posti di distribuzione)
2 per la Sezione di Commissariato;
3 per il Distaccamento Portuale;
2 per il Distaccamento V° Reparto Rifornimenti.-

c) - PERSONALE DI TRUPPA: è insufficiente alle necessità del servizio specie se si tiene conto,che con tale personale,si deve provvedere alle scorte che sono numerose e che,almeno per ora,impegnano i militari comandativi per lunghi periodi, a causa delle frequenti interruzioni ferroviarie.-

E' mia opinione che il Distaccamento debba avere una forza di 100 uomini, tenuto conto che non riesce possibile attingere altrove per le scorte, in quanto il Presidio di Venezia non dispone assolutamente di truppa.-

d) - LOCALI - La truppa è attualmente alloggiata - su branda - in due capannoni nello stesso complesso di edifici ove ha sede la Sezione di Commissariato. Tali locali non offrono sufficiente conforto.-

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Sono già in corso i lavori di restauro la cui prima spesa è stata già autorizzata dalla Direzione Commissariato Militare di Udine.-

4°) - DEPOSITO SPECIALE VIVERI -

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Tardiva è stata invece la ricezione dei generi di provenienza italiana la cui prima introduzione al Deposito Speciale è stata effettuata solo nei giorni 20 e 21 agosto dal piroscafo HINDSHOLM;per il che, il rifornimento di tali generi non ha potuto essere tanto sollecito da sopperire interamente e subito al mancato arrivo delle spedizioni effettuate direttamente da Ancona a Verona.-

Il personale del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Mestre, è perfettamente orientato e capace.- La sua organizzazione è perfetta ed egregio il suo funzionamento.-

5°) - MAGAZZINO VIVERI DI MESTRE - (Forza vettovagliata n° 18.000 -)

Ha sede in un locale della Società "La Veloce" - Via Elettricità (Tel.50376) opportunamente recintato e munito di raccordo ferroviario.-

Dispone di un solo subalterno di Sussistenza (S.Ten.Cervo) che fa del suo meglio per disimpegnare il servizio.-

E' indispensabile venga assegnato l'altro Ufficiale previsto dall'organico, possibilmente Capitano e pratico del servizio, tanto più che le previsioni circa la forza da vettovagliare sono state di gran lunga superate (n° 18.000 invece di 9.000).-

Anche l'attrezzatura del Magazzino deve migliorare con l'impianto di più posti di distribuzione per poter fronteggiare le esigenze dei circa 100 reparti che ad esso fanno capo per il prelevamento dei viveri.

Per questa prima distribuzione ha potuto funzionare senza inconvenienti perchè i reparti, variamente vettovagliati fino al giorno 21 - 22 - 23 e taluni fino al 24 agosto, non si sono presentati contemporaneamente alla spesa viveri.- In tale senso, ho dato suggerimenti al Capo della Sezione.-

6°) - MAGAZZINO VIVERI DI UDINE - (Forza vettovagliata n°4.600) -

Dispone di buoni locali nella stessa sede del Distretto Militare - Via Missionari - e di due Ufficiali di Sussistenza (Capitano Rubini e Tenente De Martino).-

Per le comunicazioni telefoniche al Magazzino Viveri si fa capo alla Direzione di Udine (Tel.895).-

I trasporti ferroviari inefficienti fino al giorno 15 agosto non avrebbero consentito la costituzione in tempo utile delle scorte previste, per la qual cosa i rifornimenti dell'olio, della pasta prodotta celermente a Venezia presso la Ditta STUCKY e del sapone sono stati effettuati per via ordinaria, utilizzando qualcuno dei camion a disposizione del Deposito Viveri o caricando automezzi forniti dal V° Comando Territoriale

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I generi italiani erano eccezionalmente giunti a Udine sin dal 9 agosto.-

7º) - MAGAZZINO VIVERI DI VERONA-(Forza vettovagliata nº 12.500) - 5155

Ha sede nello stesso edificio del panificio Militare a S.Marta e dispone di locali sufficienti ed idonei.-

Non ha telefono e per le comunicazioni deve farsi capo al Comando del Presidio Militare (Tel.1116) ove è impiantata la Sezione

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di Commissariato retta dal Magg.ROSSI.-

Ha ricevuto in tempo utile i generi di provenienza alleata.-

Quelli di provenienza italiana sono stati introdotti solo il giorno 22 agosto a seguito dell'interessamento del Capitano Crawford presso gli organi ferroviari.- In effetti, i vagoni che contenevano tali generi e che sono quelli stessi erroneamente da Ancona diretti a Pozzi e che, su segnalazione della "R.T.O.", la Sezione di Commissariato di Mestre rispedì da Treviso il giorno 15 agosto, giacevano da 4 giorni in stazione insieme a carri destinati ad unità americane, completamente ignorati da quel Comando Militare di Stazione che pure aveva ricevuto in merito sollecitazioni dal Magazzino Viveri di Verona.-

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Vino	"	402,70
Frutta secca	"	74,88
Sale	"	31,69
Olio	"	50,84
Sigarette	"	17,30
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b) - I reparti divisionali che in passato si appoggiavano a Valleggio erano, nella quasi totalità, riforniti di viveri fino ad oltre il giorno 21 per cui il prelevamento è stato, in via normale, da essi effettuato posteriormente a tale data, quando cioè il Magazzino era largamente fornito di tutti i generi.-

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8º) - MAGAZZINO VIVERI DI BOLZANO - (Forza vettovagliata nº 13.000) -

A giudizio dell'Ufficiale Italiano di Collegamento, Capitano Autiero che si è recato sul posto, il Magazzino dispone di buoni locali.- Il personale ad esso preposto deve essere potenziato con l'assegnazione di un Consegnatario che abbia maggiore pratica del servizio.

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Gli Ufficiali attualmente ad esso addetti,malgrado la migliore re buona volontà, non riescono a disimpegnare compiutamente il servizio.- Contrariamente a quanto era dato prevedere, il:Magazzino è stato in grado di funzionare fin dal giorno 21 agosto.-

9°) - MAGAZZINI VIVERI DI FORLI' ED ANCONA -

Continueranno ad essere riforniti a cura della Direzione di Bologna senza l'ingerenza diretta della Sezione di Mestre come era stato previsto in precedenza. Comunque, eventuali necessità di diretti interventi saranno vagliate dalla M.M.I.A. - LO di Mestre che potrà giovarsi dell'Ufficiale Italiano di Collegamento ad essa addetto.-

Il Magazzino di Forlì ha iniziato il suo funzionamento il 21 agosto; quello di Ancona funzionerà dal 1° Settembre.- Entrambi sono provvisti di viveri italiani ed alleati per il fabbisogno di un mese.-

10°) - MODALITA' DEI RIFORNIMENTI -

Calcolata in circa tonn.820 lorde la quantità di derrate alleate ed italiane da spedire ai Magazzini Viveri di Udine - Bolzano e Verona per il fabbisogno di 15 giorni, le spedizioni stesse vengono eseguite per ferrovia previo ordine di trasporto che l'Ufficiale Alleato di Collegamento provoca decadalmente dagli organi alleati preposti ai movimenti ferroviari.- La media delle spedizioni è di 6 vagoni giornalieri.-

Il Deposito Speciale Viveri viene tenuto a punto con il ritiro di 75 tonn. di derrate alleate ogni 2 giorni dal 6° B.S.D. di Mestre a mezzo di 11 camion assegnati al Deposito stesso e con la ricezione dei generi italiani che ha luogo normalmente via mare.-

11°) - RECUPERI -

A seguito di interessamento del Ten.Col.Penrose che mi ha presentato e raccomandato al Comandante Britannico del 22 Salvage Depot, ho potuto effettuare il ritiro dei seguenti materiali:

Fusti di ferro per brande	N°	70
Cucina mobile da campo	"	1
Marmitte da campo inglesi	"	454
Tende americane(a peso)	Tons.	1

Altri ritiri di materiale sono in corso.-

Il materiale è attualmente depositato presso la Sezione di Com[illegible] in attesa che la Direzione di Udine provveda al

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L'impianto della Sezione di Commissariato, del Deposito Speciale Viveri e dei Magazzini Presidiari di distribuzione Viveri è stato effettuato attraverso molte difficoltà, a superare le quali è stata essenziale la presenza in loco del Ten.Col.Penrose e del Capitano Crawford, sia per la possibilità che essi hanno avuto di risolvere rapida-

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mente con gli organi alleati collaterali i problemi che si veniva= no man mano presentando, sia per loro specifica competenza nella materia.-

In particolare:

a) - è mancato il collegamento telefonico con tutti i Magazzini Presidiari;

b) - non si è potuto contare sulle comunicazioni telegrafiche asso lutamente inefficienti: al Magazzino di Verona sono giunti, ad esempio, solo il giorno 22 agosto i telegrammi spediti dalla Sezione di Mestre dal 10 in poi preannunzianti gli invii delle derrate o richiedenti notizie sulle consistenze man mano rag= giunte.-

c) - la Sezione di Commissariato ha potuto disporre solo il giorno 23 agosto di una autovettura indispensabile per i necessari collegamenti.

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Subject: Feeding

To: MMIA LO 3 DISTRICT

Copy to: MMIA R O M E.

MMIA LO 230( )T. DIVISION
c/o FIORENCE COMMAND
Phone 1393
Ref 230/3
31 Aug 45

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Ref. your 3 DLO/11 of 29 Aug. 42.

1. The unit concerned is a det Coy of 520 Gd Bn. Steps are being taken either to allot it a truck or to arrange for rations to be sent up by rail from FLD MUCHA every 15 days.

2. 521 Guard Bn which has had a coy in POLIGNO has been drawing rations from FLORENCE but is moving any day now. The only other I. Bns in POLIGNO are a det of 1005 Pipper Coy which should have no difficulty in drawing rations from FLORENCE.

(V.O.J.THRUE)
Captain
MMIA LO

DADS KRN 3/9
SC'S

Rec'd 3 Sep 5151
File ST/ 162

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SUBJECT:- Ration Maintenance In FOLIGNO Area.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/182

1 Sept 45.

MMIA 10 c/o 3 DISTRICT.

Copy to:- MMIA 10 c/o FLORENCE CITY COMMAND.

Ref your 3 DIQ/11 of 29 Aug 45.

1. Provisioning of units located in FOLIGNO Area by the ANCONA Food Distribution Depot for the present is considered satisfactory.

2. The War Ministry has recommended that units draw from ROME during the winter months due to the mountainous route (FOLIGNO - ANCONA).

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

KRN/gmc

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Subject:- Feeding of Units in FOLIGNO area.

Liaison Office,
Land Forces, Sub Comm;
A.C.(MMIA) 3 District.

Ref. 3DLO/11.

ST

29 Aug 45.

To:- MMIA LO,
Florence Comd.

Following is extract of report by A/AQMG 3 Dist on visit to territory recently taken over from 1 Dist:-

"22. Italian Army

(a) 108 DID ANCONA closed and Italian Army est dep here. Expected to function early Sep.

(b) Italian Units located FOLIGNO have to collect rations from FLORENCE. This arrangement unsound. Can alternative arrangements be made."

2. Please confirm that arrangements are in hand to feed these units from the new FDD being established area ANCONA.

Ref @ (1)
Further 142

Major M.S.
MMIA LO 3 District.

Copy to:-
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HQ.MMIA.

GPH/agn

ADST Seen
DADS
KRN 31/8
S&T

"S & T, MMIA.
Recd 30 Aug 5149
File ST/ 182

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(138)

Subject:- Accomodation - Depots.

M.M.I.A. LO.?
GENOA,

STG/17
22 August 1945

To:- Direzione Commissariato, Genoa.

Copy to:- Hq. MMIA, Rome.

Repeated complaints have been received from you concerning lack of space in the 2 Bulk Depot, Rivarolo; a visit of inspection was made by me on 21 August 45 and the question of space was raised by Ten. Col.Polisza, O.C. Depot, in particular reference to a separate store for broken packs.

If, as it must certainly appears to be, the present space is insufficient, recourse should be made to requisition of the remainder of the premises of the Mill. If this is still insufficient, as may possibly be the case, further storage space in the locality should be found and made available, if necessary by requisition.

Re-adjustment of stocks at present within the Depot would effect a saving of space in existing accomodation.

Major,
ST/MMIA LO.,
NW. ITALY, GENOA

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S & T. MMIA.
Rec'd 27 Aug
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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Call | Srl. No. | Prec | Transmission Instructions: S & T. MMIA. 3/36

W P ST

Recd

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: ST SO BLU

Date-Time of Origin: 20-1000 B

For Action

ST TERMIA

TO

(W) For Information (INFO) Seen MDST

MMIA 4/23

KLN 23/8

Message Instructions — GR —

Originator's No. ST 55 (.) Receipt is ack of your LO/82. Date) 11 (.)

At present moment FRIULI CCG has received no instructions about changes over through Italian channels and Italian Depot at VERONA has not yet received stock to make an issue on 21.0217 Cara are endeavouring to obtain authority to issue again from VALLEGIO (.) your LO/82 Date) 11 received 1900 hrs 19.

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means desired: Written Signature	Is liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority: Important
Signed	Signed	

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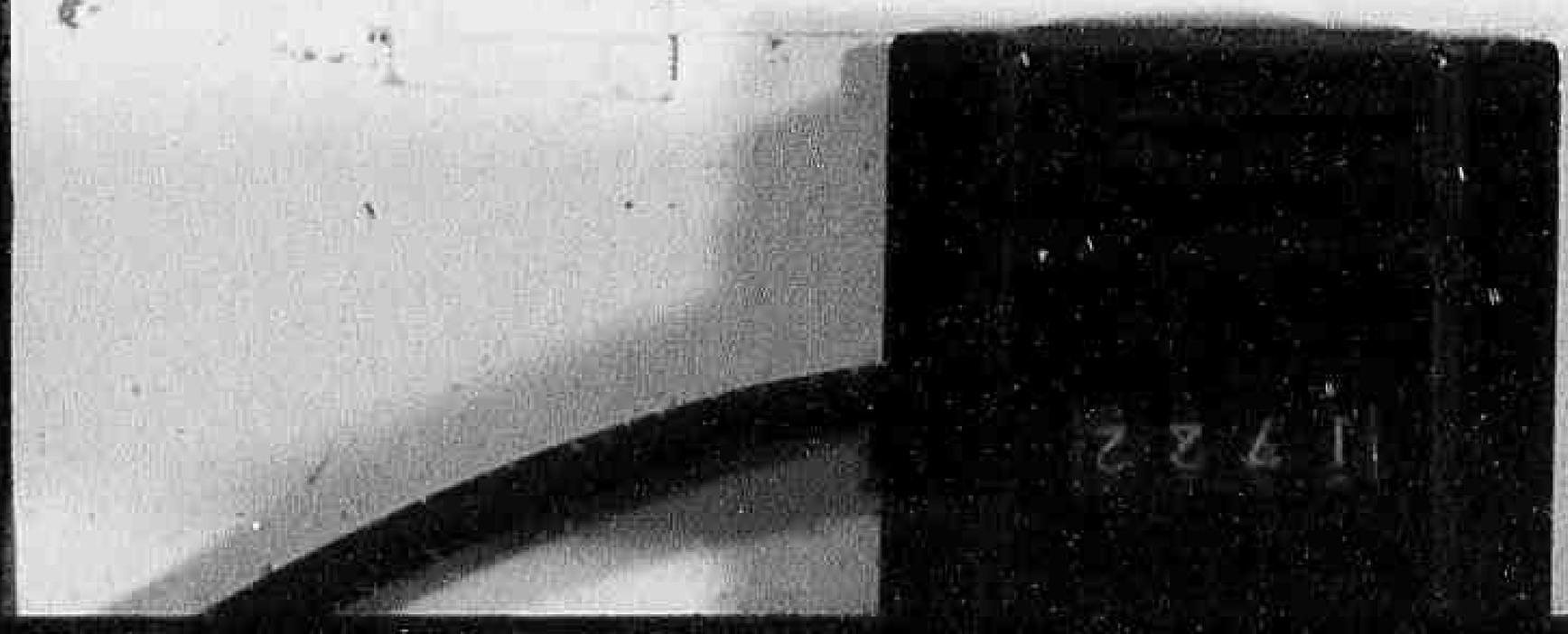

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DAILY DIARY OF VISIT BY ADST MMIA TO N.E. ITALY IN

CONNECTION WITH THE SETTING UP OF ITALIAN SUPPLY INSTALLATIONS

ST/182

Monday 6 August.

Departed MILAN 0900 hrs arrived GENOA 1200 hrs, lunched with Area Commander 60 Sub Area. He was a little sceptical about the new arrangement and was worried about BR-ITIs having to do their own local purchase of fresh fruit and vegetables. The question of disinfectants and Mepacrine was also raised. I arranged for this latter point to be clarified by Capt. COTTON on his return to ROME when he would be able to contact Medicals. On visiting Major KYLE at 1400 hrs received message that I should proceed to VENICE to assist Capt. CRAWFORD. Major KYLE seemed to have his organisation well in hand and had made very good liaison with local B.S.D. Commander who was passing over his local contract for wine.

Departed GENOA 1710 hrs - arrived MILAN 0930 hrs.

Tuesday 7 August.

Departed MILAN by air 1225 hrs after inspecting distribution depot annex in MILAN which had been the subject of an alarming letter from Major KYLE. Both Major BIRD and I felt that there was no dirty work but that the space being used was ill chosen and steps would be taken by Major BIRD to obtain release for much better accomodation in same building which was unoccupied.

Owing to flooding of TREVISO Airfield I had to land at VERONA and wait for my car so did not arrive in VENICE until 2000 hrs.

Wednesday 8 August.

Met Major THRUPP and Capts. BOURNE, HERBERT and CRAWFORD at the Supply office set up by Capt. CRAWFORD at MARGHERA near MESTRE. This is only 100 yards off the old PADUA road and is about three hundred yards from the Distribution Depot and 400 yards from the Aluminium Factory. Rang D.A.Q.M.G. to get news of release of the above factory in lieu of 44 B.S.D. but no news. Spoke to Major HADFIELD of 6 B.S.D. and arranged meeting with Major WINCHESTER (D.A.D.S. 8 Army) at 6 B.S.D. for 1400 hrs 9 August.

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Visited Movements with Capt. CRAWFORD and made bid for movement of 30 days Allied portion from 6 B.S.D. and port for 49,000 strength 1,470,000 rations. Later advised that bid was reduced to 15 days. Bid for balance made by phone to ROME and confirmed. This bid also included 15 days Italian items for 4,000 US-ITIs at VERONA. Movements VENICE said this bid should be placed with A.F.H.Q.

Passed bid to Capt. SMITH at ROME.

The Col. of Commissariato and one section arrived from UDINE but no interpreter. General chaos.

Attended conference at 6 B.S.D., saw copy of Rear HQ B.T.A.M. R.5006 ST dated 6 August.

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Arranged to start loading fifteen days supplies on 11 Aug and 15 days Italian Items from 6 B.S.D. excluding flour which would be railed direct from port on arrival of "SIMCOE PARK". Remainder of flour to be moved into Bulk Depot.

Spoke to ROME in the evening. Unable to contact Major NELSON but spoke to Col. NOAKES who stated it would be in order to occupy Aluminium Works. Said he would send up an interpreter.

Friday 10 August.

Visited D.A.Q.M.G. and reported conversation with Col. NOAKES. Permission granted to occupy Bulk Depot.

Visited Aluminium Works with Italian Officers and asked them to produce a ground stacking plan. Capt. GRIECO endeavoured to locate dunnage. Capt. CRAWFORD worked out loading plan with Port Detachment. Found out that despite being told twice Italians had worked out Movement bid in Nett tons. Received message from Major NELSON that Col. LANDOLFI was arriving in MESTRE with interpreter and was probably to replace colonel of Commissariato.

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Question of forage for UDINE was raised by Col of Commissariato
who stated they had 60 horses to feed. Suggested return called for
from all consuming units to show total number of horses and arrange
accordingly. This will give us an opportunity to screen. Very
garbled message relayed to me at TRIESTE re FORLI & ANCONA. Rang
Capt. BOURNE to elucidate but unable to get reply.

Departed 1500 hrs for TRIESTE. Arrived 1800 hrs and stayed with
D.A.D.S. XIII Corps.

Sunday 12 August.

Visited Movements XIII Corps and was informed that all rail move-
ments out of MESTRE must be bid on them. I confirmed that bids for
BOLOGNA, VERONA and UDINE for period 14 - 23 August had been accepted

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and I placed a further bid for movement during period 24 Aug to 2 Sept. BOLZANO 166 tons (75 Wine) UDINE 94.1/2 tons (38 Wine) VERONA 302 tons (114 Wine).

Ascertained that Iti civilians whole time employed were being issued with Iti Army scale of rations, presumably taken from stocks forwarded from Iti Army sources. It will be necessary to check that a record has been kept and the necessary credit passed to Iti Army.

Monday 13 August.

Departed TRIESTE 0915 hrs, arrived MESTRE 1145 hrs. Met Col. LANDOLFI and arranged meeting with him for 1400 hrs with Italian Liaison Officer (Ministry of War) Capt. AUTIERO.

1) Reported inefficiencies of Italian staff.
2) Stressed necessity of good Lt.Col. through whom all orders should be passed.
3) Statistical section should be organised immediately.
4) They must prepare or obtain ready reckoners and conversion tables; also know how to convert to gross tonnage.
5) Flexible system should be put into operation preferably on a black board to estimate holdings and future requirements so as to be able to make more accurate bids for movements.
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Booked air passage to ANCONA. Met Col. EGIGI from Territorial Command BOLOGNA. He appeared very unenlightened despite his visit to 13 CRASC. He did not realize that the first 15 days supplies for FORLI were coming from 13 CRASC. Though he had been asked by Capt. BOURNE to contact 61 Area and 13 CRASC re the method of their acceptance and had visited 13 CRASC on 11 Aug. I remonstrated with him on not keeping either Capt. BOURNE or the Ministry of War informed re the position of depots at ANCONA and FORLI and for the fact that he had passed through FORLI twice at least on his trip to ANCONA and had not troubled to inspect the Distribution Depot and was still unable to supply the address. He pleaded he had misunierstood a signal from Ministry of War. (Did not appear very bright). He promised to return immediately to ANCONA and to have an officer at 38 B.S.D. to take over supplies going on rail to FORLI. Airfield out of commission so set out by car to ANCONA but broke a rear spring one mile from MESTRE so returned to Capt.

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CRAWFORD's office.

Major KELLEY D.A.D.S. 1 District called and showed us letter he was sending to all Areas instructing them to hand over all Italian items remaining after 21 Aug to our nearest Distribution Depots ref ST/455 dated 13 Aug. Ref para 3 of the a/m letter we explained that there would not be a Bulk Depot at ANCONA.

Later received message from A.D.S.T.'s office 1 District that 250 tons of supplies would be available for Distribution Depot ANCONA ex 38 B.S.D. 25 Aug to 1 Sept and 100 tons per month afterwards.

A.F.H.Q. ruled that no Allied transport would be available. He also stated that 50 tons per day would be loaded on rail by 38 B.S.D. for FORLI to enable them to open on 21 August.

MMLA LO c/o 86 Area signal ST/7 dated 14 Aug addressed 6 Terr. Command refers.

Despite arrangements overnight to have eight railway waggons shunted into Bulk depot sidings to make up for the four which failed to arrive on the 13th no waggons were in evidence up to ten o'clock. The R.T.O. said they had been sent.

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Wednesday 15 August.

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Discovered that the steering on the Lancia had practically sheered through. It was a miracle that it had not collapsed on way from MESTRE.

Spent the morning in RCME W/Shops having it welded. Very dangerous design and will need further inspection immediately on return to RCME. Car completed 1730 hrs.

Departed 1830 hrs, arrived RCME 0230 hrs.

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

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FROM MMIA LO 86 AREA 2016ØØB

TO 5 TERRITORIAL COMMAND ITALIAN ARMY UDINE

INFO HQ MMIA ROME

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ST/14. UNCLASSIFIED. SUBJECT IS DISTRIBUTION OF RATIONS. YOUR CIRCULAR 9 OF 12 AUG REFERS. PLEASE INSTRUCT UNITS TO CONTACT AMG AS TO PURCHASE OF FRESH FRUIT AND VEG. ADST MMIA'S LO Q/2 OF 11 AUG (PARA 4) REFERS

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SUBJECT:- Accounting for Rations received from Allies.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.C.I.A.
M.E. ITALY
c/o HQ 8C Area
ST/8

Ser. Comm. MEDTRN.

16 Aug 45.

Copy to:- HQ M IA.
O.C. 6BSD.

1. As you are already aware, there are two documents used in connection with the recording of transfer of rations from British sources in VENICE Area:-

(a) The British Army Form G 1033 (Issue and Receipt Voucher):- You will receive from 6BSD through myself 3 copies of this form. You will please have 2 copies signed by the O.C. of the Italian Depot receiving, and give them to me, for return to 6BSD. The 3rd copy is retained by O.C. Italian Depot to support the amount entered in his account books as received by him. The AFG 1033 will shew all items, whether provided by Allies or Italy.

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MIA NCO will check record sheet against convoy notes. He will then send convoy notes to 6BSD together with a note of nett amounts received.

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(b) Items received from British Depots:- AMG have 516 shown that point of acceptance is to be in British Depot issuing. O.C. 6BSD has however agreed that when British transport is being used for transfer, acceptance can take place at Italian Depot.

If discrepancies are alleged, O.C. Depot will send driver of lorry immediately to this office. If discrepancy cannot subsequently be agreed (and physically adjusted) between this office and O.C. 6BSD, Italian Depot will render to 6BSD via this office a discrepancy report on British Army Form W 783. When AFG 1033 has been received from 6BSD, O.C. Depot will check amounts against those already booked in and sign 2 copies of AFG 1033, adding the words in English "but as per discrepancy report attached". (See para 1 (a) above further to AFG 1033) You will then prepare Acceptance Notes for Allied Items only.

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MIA NCO will check Acceptance Notes against AFO 1033 and daily record sheet.
If Italian lorries are used to transport rations from BASD, or rail cars are loaded there direct for DD's, you will send a checker to accept rations there. The amounts accepted by the checker should be controlled to ensure they correspond with those on AFO 1033 subsequently received by you.

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DADS KRN 22/8 — a very good guide!
SC's 23/8

Yours, Lawford.
Capt. RASC.
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.MIA.

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TRANSLATION BY LT. W.R. TREVELYAN

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FROM : Ministry of War — 4717/IC/Ris

TO : Territorial Commands at Turin, Genoa, Milan, Bolzano, Udine. — 16 Aug 45

INFO : MMIA. Cabinet. S.M.R.E.. Commissariati at Turin, Genoa, Milan, Bolzano, Udine, Liaison Officer for Supply Services in N.W. Italy (with Commissariat MILAN). Liaison Officer for Supply Services in N.E. Italy (with MESTRE Bulk Depot).

SUBJECT:- Coordination and Liaison Commissariat Officers for N.W. & N.E. ITALY.

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Duties. Coordination between Commissariat Directorates with regard to Supply Services and liaison with this Ministry, the Commissariat Directorates, and the MMIA LO's.

Coordination of the sending of stocks from the Bulk Depots to Distribution depots.

Certifying the availability of local resources and informing the Commissariat Directorates interested so that they may take action.

Controlling of the supply of Italian provided items as arranged by this Ministry.

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Sgd. Col.Pietro Basile

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DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI ~~LOGISTICI~~
COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

Ispett.Gen.Serv.Comm.te
Divisione Sez.
Prot. 7XXX14/IC/Rim. Allegati

Roma, 16 Agosto 1945

Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.

OGGETTO Ufficiali commissari di coordinamento e collegamento per l'Italia settentrionale, orientale e occidentale.

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Restricted informations for Col. Penrose

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Mestre 14 august 1945

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Si pregano i Comandi Militari Territoriali in indirizzo voler appoggiare l'opera dei predetti ufficiali di collegamento nell'espletamento dei compiti loro affidati, più specialmente agevolandoli nell'assegnazione dei mezzi di trasporto personali occorrenti per muoversi nell'ambito della rispettiva zona.

PEL MINISTRO

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Therefore the control on the above depots has to be acted by the British L.O. in Mestre. If it is so and if, as probable, the shipments to Forlì and Ancona will be made from Mestre, it seems to me that Mestre Commissariato will have to care about Forlì and Ancona FDD's situation. Besides, the allied Liaison Officer uses Mestre Commissariato for his controls. The above will not take away any title due to Bologna Direction.
Such is our opinion, as we expressed it.

4th.) - In regards to my signal dated to day referring to the shipments to Mestre Udine Verona Bolzano FDDs, I may insure that the program for the above shipments has been laid down in regards to the supplies wanted to complete 15 days maintenance.

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5th.) - Called by Colh. Penrose, Col. Egidi arrived this morning at Mestre to make a relation about the FDDs to be implanted at Forlì and Ancona, and about the maintenace's situation. For a mistake in interpetering the Ministry od war orders, arrengements were not taken with 13 Crasc at Montemarciano (Ancona) in regards of drawing rations:so that the FDDs will probably not be able to work within 21st of this month. It was told to Col. Penrose that the distribution of rations at Ancona will be made directly by Allied Sources until 5th Sept.
The performing the functions of the Forlì FDD within 21st August will depend by the situation, as it will appear to Col. Egidi, who went back to day to Ancona and Forlì.
For the above, Col. Penrose has manifested that he is sorry for the facts happened.

Commissariato Colonel
sgd. Ugo Landolfi

P.S. F.D. depot at Mestreis in locals of SAVA ALLUMINIO at Marghera in Elettricità Street. It takes two very good barrcks: one for the flour, and an other for the rest of the items. We willm occupy only one ~~third~~ half of the third barrack, after ~~necessary~~ it will be repaired, and we will use it as wine and olive oil depot. The FD depot is in LA VELOCE Factory in Elettricità Street too. It is good in regards to the feeding strenght.

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TRANSLATION by Lt. Lewis on 20 Aug 45 (130)

FROM : Ministry of War (86 VOL I) 15158/S/1

TO : Commissariati at Turin, Genoa, Milan, Bolzano, Bologna, Udine, Florence. 16 Aug 45

INFO : MMIA (ref ST/182 of 26 July)
Territorial Commands at Turin, Genoa, Milan, Bolzano, Udine, Florence.

SUBJECT:- Directives regarding supply of rations.

From time to time this Ministry has issued orders concerning the operation of distribution depots in the North of Italy.

However, in order to facilitate the duties of the addressees, herewith the principal instructions:

a) the following depots have been established:

commencing on the 6th of August

GENOA Bulk Depot, which will supply	TURIN	Distrib. Depot
	MILAN	" "
	ALESSANDRIA	" "
	GENOA	" "
	LEGHORN	Distrib. Depot
LEGHORN Bulk Depot which will supply	BOLOGNA	" "
	FLORENCE	" "

ANCONA & FORLI Distribution Depots will be supplied by BARI Bulk Depot in regard to Italian Provided Items.

Commencing on 21st August

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	VERONA	" "
	UDINE	" "
	VENICE	" "
	ITALIAN UNITS TRIESTE AREA	

b) The list of units to be supplied with rations must be compiled in accordance with instructions in 12451/S/1 of 27/6/45 after having come to an agreement with the Allied Authorities. Two copies must be sent to this Ministry. It will also be necessary to supply some units under command of 5th Army.

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When possible, rations for above units must be drawn in bulk by the supply sections of the Administrative Divisions and Combat Groups, who will see to their subsequent issue.

c) Fresh fruit and vegetables will be bought directly by the units, the order in our 12488/S/1 of 27 June not being applicable.

d) The supply of Italian provided items (those at c) exclusive) will be made each week by this Ministry on a basis of the requirements return.

Addressees will send the monthly stock states, as requested in 10941/S/1 of 30/5/45. We recommend the maximum punctuality in the sending of these returns.

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e) Request for supply of coal to bakeries under command will be made to the Regional Commissario.

f) The following returns must be sent:
1. list of units receiving rations on the 5th and the 20th of every month, as prescribed in our 10928/S/1 of 29 May.
2. Strength returns to the liaison officers, information to this Ministry, as in 8440/S/1 of 18/4/45 (attached).
3. Italian provided items received and issued as on the 7th, 14th, 21st, and last day of the month, information to liaison officers as in letter attached.
4. Return for remains in Bulk Depots at the end of movements on the days 7th, 14th, and 21st on the last day of the month.
The return must be sent to the MMIA LO and for information to us.

g) Documents to be sent to this Ministry will be sent to the MMIA LO in a closed envelope, directed to Direzione Generale Serv. di Comm/to ed Arm/vi, so that they may be sent as quickly as possible.

Sgd. Dr. Launi

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P.L. 3800 li 13 aprile 1943

Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE
DEI SERVIZI DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
- Revisione Sussistenze -

N. 6440/S/1 di prot.

OGGETTO: forza da vettovagliare.-

AL MINISTERO MARINA - D.G.C.M.M. -
R O M A
AL MINISTERO DELL'AERONAUTICA
- D.G.C.A. - R O M A
ALLA DIREZ. DI COMM/TO DEL C/DO
MIL. TERR/LE DI: ROMA - BARI -
NAPOLI - PALERMO
ALLA SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMM/TO MIL.
CAGLIARI
ALLA SEZ. STACCATA DI COMM/TO MIL.
CATANZARO
ALL'UFFICIO AUTONOMO DI COMM/TO MIL.
TARANTO

e, per conoscenza:
ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA) ROMA
(rif.f.SP/40/3 del 12 corrente)
AL C/DO MIL. TERR/LE DI: ROMA - BARI - NAPOLI
PALERMO
AL C/O DELLA DIV. "CALABRIA" P.L.75

La segnalazione della forza vettovagliata richiesta con la circolare 6169/S/1 del 17 marzo u.s. è abrogata.-

Le Direzioni di Commissariato Militare, in sostituzione della predetta segnalazione, dovranno trasmettere agli ufficiali di collegamento della M...I.A. il 25 e il 10 di ogni mese i seguenti dati - come da segnalazione telegrafica n.7644/S/1 del 7 corr. di questo Ministero - :

a) forza media vettovagliata giornalmente dei ER-IRI durante il periodo di vettovagliamento (cioè dal 21 al 5 oppure dal 6 al 20)
b) forza media vettovagliata giornalmente dei US-IRI
c) " " " " " IRI-IRI
d) " " " " della R.Marina
e) " " " " della R.Aeronautica

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Copia della segnalazione suddetta dovrà essere trasmessa a questo Ministero.-

La segnalazione dovrà essere fatta con la massima puntualità e precisione.-

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TARANTO

e, per conoscenza:
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(rif.f.SI/40/3 del 12 corrente)
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p. c. c.
IL DIREZIONE CAPO DIVISIONE

p.IL MINISTRO
f/to Pelligra

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Ministry Aboar 8440/S/1
A 18 April, already
Sent to M.M.I.A.

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AMMINISTRAZIONE GENERALE BENI DEMANIALI

REGISTRO DEI RICOVERI E CONSEGNE DI TUTTI ITALIANI

a) Nella colonna 4 sono indicati i quantitativi ricevuti da altre fonti (per es. quelli ricevuti da Enti, Ditte ecc.)

b) Nella colonna 7 l'ufficio dell'assegnazione indicherà le specialità per la biella, per l'anello, pegoli, ecc.)

c) Le consegne fatte normalmente saranno per kmetro o vettura

Ditta	Giacenza risultante all'ultimo giorno del mese	Quantità pervenute		Versate al 14° giorno	Versate dopo il 14° giorno	Quantità consegnate			Giacenza alla data del presente spoglio.
		dopo il giorno precedente	dal principio del mese						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Gratia & Fig.									
Vercura ing. "									
Olio di olivo "									
Vegi Symoint. "									
Voi coi fuso. "									
Vale "									
Vino "									
Fiamm. Lubrific.									
Pegoli									
Cuscino									
Liquori, combustibili									
Diversi, Utili, Ing.									

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...REGISTRO TIPO DI CARICO E SCARICO DELLA POSTA ITALIANA...

...Anno 4 mese 2nd cate 4 quantitativi ricevuti da altre fonti (per es. quelli ri-...
...mesi 1.2.3.4 l'ufficio Collegato ...mento etc.)
...le 24 ore(1) per la Stella, per ...
...11, ecc.)

...Dati riguardanti merci per terra

Giacenza risultante all'ultimo giorno del mese precedente	Quantità di merci ricevute nel mese		Versate nel 1° mese	Versate nel 2° mese	Avariate	Giacenza alla data del presente rendiconto	Annotazioni
	da diverse provincie	da altre nazioni					
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

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ZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI LOGISTICI

CGSL/7a RO AAG/V1

Direzione Mag.ne *Sez.* 1ª

Prot. N. 15130/2//3/1 *Allegati* ---

R.H. 3800- 16 Agosto 1945

ALLA REGIA M. CGSL/7a RO AAG C/DI

MIL.TERR.LI SI:TORINO = GENOVA = MILANO

BOLZANO = BOLOGNA = UDINE = FIRENZE

Risposte al Foglio del 16000 1945

Div. *Sez.* *N.*

OGGETTO :direttive relative al rifornimento dei viveri.-

S.T.

e,per conoscenza:

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

(rif.f.ST/1AA del 26 luglio c.a.)

AI C/DI MIL.TERR.LI SI= TORINO-GENOVA-MILANO-BOLZANO-BOLOGNA-UDINE-FIRENZE

16000 1945

Questo Ministero ha firmato,di volta in volta, le disposizioni per il funzionamento dei magazzini viveri dell'Italia del Nord.

Al fine però di agevolare il compito degli enti in indirizzo,si riportano le principali disposizioni:

a) sono stati impiantati i seguenti stabilimenti:

- con funzionamento dal 1 corrente:

Deposito Speciale Viveri di Genova rifornirà: Mag. Viveri TORINO; " " MILANO; " " ALESSANDRIA; " " GENOVA

Deposito Speciale Viveri di Livorno rifornirà: Mag. Viveri LIVORNO; " " BOLOGNA; " " FIRENZE

Magazzini viveri di Ancona e di Forlì saranno riforniti di norma dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari per quanto riguarda i generi di provenienza italiana.

- con funzionamento dal 21 agosto p.v.

Deposito Speciale Viveri di Mestre rifornirà: Mag. Viveri BOLZANO; " " VERONA; " " UDINE; " " VENEZIA; Reparti italiani dislocati nella zona di Trieste.

b) L'elenco dei generi da rationalizzare sarà presto comunicato con de-

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S.T.

p.p.r. conoscenza:
ALLA LAND FORCES MED OCCUPATION A.C.(M.L.A)
(rif.f.87/182 del 16 luglio c.a.)
AI C/DI M.LL.TORR.LI M.L. TORINO-GENOVA-MILANO-BOLOGNA-FIRENZE

ROMA

LORO SEDI

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Al fine però di agevolare il compito degli enti in indirizzo, si riportano le principali disposizioni:

a) sono stati impiantati i seguenti stabilimenti:

- con funzionamento dal 6 corrente:

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b) L'elenco dei reparti da vettovagliare dovrà essere compilato con le norme di cui alla circ. 1.451/G/1 del 17/6 u.s., previ accordi con le Autorità Alleate. Due copie dovranno essere trasmesse a questo Ministero.-

S.T.

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Ministero della Guerra

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI LOGISTICI

Al

Divisione Sez.
Prot. N.° Allegati Risposta al Foglio del
Div. Sez. N.°

OGGETTO

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Sarà cura vettovagliare alimenti reparti dipendenti
la 5ª Armata. Quando sarà possibile, il prelevamento per i reparti suddetti dovrà essere fatto in blocco dalle sezioni sussistenza delle Divisioni Amministrative e dai Gruppi di Combattimento, che provvederanno alla successiva distribuzione.

c) La frutta fresca e la verdura fresca saranno acquistate direttamente dai reparti, sempre che non siano applicabili le disposizioni di cui alla circolare 11480/S/1 del 27 giugno u.s.-

d) Il rifornimento dei generi di provenienza italiana (esclusi quelli di cui alla lettera c) sarà fatto settimanalmente da questo Ministero in base al fabbisogno segnalato.

Gli enti in indirizzo dovranno trasmettere la situazione richiesta mensile derrate cui disposto 10041/S/1 del 30/5/45. Raccomandasi la massima puntualità nella trasmissione.

e) Il rifornimento del carbone per i panifici dipendenti dovrà essere richiesto al Commissario Regionale.

f) Dovranno essere fatte le seguenti segnalazioni:
1) elenco dei reparti vettovagliati al 5 ed al 20 di ogni mese prescritto dalla circ. 10093/S/1 del 29 maggio c.a. ;
2) segnalazione della forza vettovagliata agli Ufficiali di collegamento e per conoscenza a questo Ministero, con le modalità di cui alla circ. 8447/S/1 in data 10/4/45 (allegato);
3) specchio dei generi ricevuti e distribuiti da fante italiana alla data del 7, 14, 21 ed ultimo giorno del mese, da inviare per conoscenza anche agli Ufficiali di collegamento, redatto secondo il modello allegato;
4) segnalazione delle rimanenze esistenti nei depositi speciali viveri alla chiusura dei movimenti dei giorni 7, 14, 21 e dell'ultimo giorno del mese.
La segnalazione deve essere fatta all'Ufficiale di Collegamento della [illegible] e per conoscenza allo scrivente.

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Gli Enti in interesse dovranno trasmettere la situazione richiesta mensile cerrato con dispaccio 10541/8/I del 10/5/43. Raccomandasi la massima puntualità nella trasmissione.

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f) Dovranno essere fatte le seguenti segnalazioni:
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   2) segnalazione della forza vettovagliata agli ufficiali di collegamento e per conoscenza a questo Ministero, con le modalità di cui alla circ. 8440/8/I in data 10/4/43 (allegata);
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   La segnalazione deve essere fatta all'Ufficiale di Collegamento della M.V.S.N. e per conoscenza allo scrivente.

g) I documenti da trasmettere a questo Ministero devono essere rimessi all'Ufficiale di Collegamento M.V.S.N. in busta chiusa diretta alla Direzione Generale Serv. di Comm.to ed Amm/vi, perchè più sollecito ne sia l'inoltro.

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P. IL MINISTRO
f/to Pellegra

P. C. C.

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FLAM ST DISTONS.

TO FREEDOM CITE FIGHT.

ST S1 AREA. ST 3 DIST. AND AMIA.

13 GRAEC CUP UNITS.

GP---

ST592 REPTD. REF MY STS 96 OF 17.

PARA FOURTH SHOULD READ QUOTE IT IS CONFIRMED THAT ANCONA DEPOTS WILL NOW BE REQUIRED TO RATION ITALIAN UNITS UP TO 5 SEPTEMBER 45 . UNQUOTE.

SENT R. GIL AT 1700.

REQU IR 9377 -S AT 165A E RS AR WW

C & T, MMIA.

Rcd

MMIA

5 SEPS

The Cable arrangements began that Ancona & Chiet Greeks Fm ST1 Sept 1 Sept.

LINE V MERK AR 9133 RVR 11 CR --

FROM OT DISTORE 1;1017;?

ACTION 81 AREA -7 217 AREA -- 211 SUB AREA -- 21; SUB AREA11

INFO FREEDOM CITE FHGBT -- 2 DISTRICT -- 3 DISTRICT -- POLCORPS --

36 DLO -- 21 ARMD BDE -- HQ MMIA -- 13 CMBC SUP UNITS --

MMIA LO -- 'C' -- MMIA LO (SG AREA)

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STS 86 . RESTRICTED . FOR ST . FIRST . REF PARA SEVEN MT ST/459

OF 13 AUG 45 . ITALIAN DISTRIBUTION DEPOTS LOCATED AS FOLLOWS .

BOLOGNA [redacted] NO 2 VIA BORGOLOCCHI . VERONA . CASERMA SAN MARIA .

FLORENCE . VIA TRIPOLI - VIA XXVIII OTTOBRE . MESTRE . TS MAGAZZINO

DISTRIBUZIONE DISPOSTED AT ENTRANCE TO TOWN . FORLI [redacted] ROMANELLA

BARRACKS [redacted] PIAZZA SANTE ALLEGRI . ANCONA . ITALIAN MILITARY

HOSPITAL WAREHOUSE SITE OF 1ST AB DIV

SECOND . IF DIFFICULTY ENCOUNTERED BY ITALIAN UNITS IN LOCATING

DEPOTS THEY SHOULD ENQUIRE AT LOCAL PREFIDIO .

THIRD . DID'S WILL ENSURE LMBO RATION CERTIFICATE [redacted]

[redacted]

ISSUED TO ALL UNITS ON LAST DAY OF DEMOB .

FOURTH . IT IS CONFIRMED THAT 1TS DID WILL NOW BE RETURNED TO RATION

ITALIAN UNITS [redacted]

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OF 15 AUG 43 . ITALIAN DISTRIBUTION DEPOTS LOCATED AS FOLLOWS .
BOLOGNA [redacted] NO 2 VIA SORCOLOCCHI . VERONA . CASERMA SAN MARIA .
FLORENCE . VIA TRIPOLI - VIA XXVIII OTTOBRE . MESTRE . TS MAGAZZINO
DISTRIBUZIONE DISPOSED AT ENTRANCE TO YARD . FOGLI [redacted] TONARELLA
BARRACKS [redacted] PIAZZA SANTI ALLOSERI . ANCONA . ITALIAN MILITARY
HOSPITAL WAREHOUSE SITE OF 1ST BR DIB
SECOND . IF DIFFICULTY ENCOUNTERED BY ITALIAN UNITS IN LOCATING
DEPOTS THEY SHOULD ENQUIRE AT LOCAL PRESIDIO .
THIRD . DIB'S WILL ENSURE LMBG RATION CERTIFICATE [redacted]

[redacted]

ISSUED TO ALL UNITS ON LAST DAY OF DRAWING .
FOURTH . IT IS CONFIRMED THAT 1ST DIB WILL NOW BE REQUIRED TO RATION
ITALIAN UNITS [redacted]

[redacted]

UP TO 5 AUG .
FIFTH . CONFIRMATION FOLLOWS
TRI 1838
SENT AT 2143 2055 SSH AR

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SUBJECT:- Feeding of Italian Army.

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.MMIA.
M.M. ITALY
c/o HQ 86 Area
ST/6

12 Aug 45.

DDST 1 District
DDST 13 Corps

Copy to:- Sez. Comm. MESTRE
HQ MMIA

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Further to ADST MMIA's LO/42 dated 11 Aug 45.

1. Will you please instruct all DID's issuing rations to Italian units, to furnish each unit prior to Aug 21 with a certificate as to date to which unit has been rationed.

2. Italian Distribution Depots issuing on and after 21 Aug will then issue accordingly.

S & T. MMIA.

Recd 18 Aug

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other. Land Forces.

Capt. RASC.
Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.MMIA.

WHDC/bg

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SECRET:- Land Movement - N. ITALY.

Land Forces Sub Comn. MO.
(M.M.I.A.).
MO/161
1st Jan 45.

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- MEDITO:
5 ARMY
13 Corps c/o 5th AREA
N.W. ITALY MILAN
GENOA
TURIN
1 DEPOT
5 & 9 M.W. ITALY
5 & 9 M.W. ITALY c/o 5th AREA.

1. Rail movements bids need no longer be submitted to this Hq for supply movements within the area North of BOLOGNA, except for movement on the line running between BOLOGNA and VERONA.

2. Bids for movement in N. ITALY will be submitted by respective Commanders-in-Chief direct to MEDITO as nearest to the loading station ten days before movement is required, MEDITO will consolidate and forward to appropriate Allied Movement Hq.

3. Movement of supplies from South of BOLOGNA to Northern Italy and along the line BOLOGNA - VERONA will, however, continue to be submitted to this Hq as at present.

MO/330

Lt.Col. RAMC.
ASST. Land Forces Sub Comn. MO.(MEDITO).

SECRET:- MO/161

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M M I A

TO : MILA IO GENVA

832/958

UNCLASSIFIED (.) REF YOUR AC/6 OF 14 AUG (.) MAJ. STASI ORDERED TO REPORT WAR MINISTRY FOR INSTRUCTIONS (.) HAS NOT ARRIVED ROME (.) AFTER ARRIVAL WILL BE DESPATCHED SOFIA

(ST/182) PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE

AUTHENTICATION Lt.Col.

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TRANSLATION.

From: Ministry of War. Ref: 14893/S/1.

To: Direcomiles Udine

M.M.I.A. for information.

Reply to 354/1 Dated the 6 of August. This office has informed M.M.I.A. so that the premises of 44 BSD be handed over. Futher information to follow.

Sgd. Basile.....140009.

Carter.

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 16 aug

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale Servizi Commissariato ed Assistenza
Divisione Sussistenza

Q.

DIRECOMILES
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA)
COMILITER
GUERRA COMMISSARIATO 14893 /S/1 DESTINATARIO DIRECOMILES UDINE CONOSCENZA M.M.I.A. ROMA COMILITER UDINE ALT RISPONDE 354/1 DATATO SEI CORRENTE ALT SCRIVENTE HABET INTERESSATA M.M.I.A. ROMA PER CONCESSIONE LOCALI 44 BSD ALT RISERVA COMUNICAZIONI ALT PRODIRETTORE GENERALE COL. BASILE

UDINE
ROMA (fono a mano)
UDINE

.....140009

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

TRASMISSIONE

IN { Time 0915 / Data 13/9

OUT { Time 1670 / Data 16/6.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
Direzione Generale Servizi Commissariato ed Assistenza
Divisione Sussistenza

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UDINE

COMMISSION A.C. (MMIA) ROMA (fono a mano)

UDINE

RIATO 14893 /S/1 DESTINATARIO DIRECOMILES UDINE CONO=
ROMA COMILITER UDINE ALT RISPONDE 354/1 DATATO SEI CORREN=
RE HABET INTERESSATA M.M.I.A. ROMA PER CONCESSIONE LOCALI
VA COMUNICAZIONI ALT PRODIRETTORE GENERALE COL. BASILE

.....140009

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

TRANSLATION

IN { Time 0515 / Date 15/9

OUT { Time 1670 / Date 16/6.

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Subject: Rations Issue Notes.

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M.M.I.A. LO.,
GENOA

STG/13
13 August 1945

To:- Commanding General, Territorial Hq. of Genoa.

Copy to:- HQ. M.M.I.A.
ST/MMIA LO., N.W. Italy

NOR.

1. Reference your letter NO.02/1624/Serv. di prot., dated 2 August 1945.

2. Under "Rations Issue Notes - Mod. K (MMIA Form ST/8) para b" it is stated that all forms will be marked ITI-ITI in red (all Hq's and units are ITI-ITI effective 6 August). This is definitely incorrect; No instructions to this effect have been issued by HQ. MMIA.

3. Immediate amendment will therefore please be issued, that former markings will continue e.g. MR-ITI, ITI-ITI, ect. as before. All forms already completed incorrectly will please be altered before submission to this office for onward transmission to HQ.MMIA.

B Bunce

Major,
ST/MMIA LO.,
N.W. Italy, Genoa 5121

"G & T. MMIA.
Recd 16 Aug
File ST/ 82

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TRANSLATION BY LT TREVELYAN ON 15 AUG 45

Subject:- Issue of Rations

Ref: 856/1

8 Aug 45.

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FROM:- COMMISSARIAT DIRECTORATE MILAN

TO:- All units in LOMBARDY
HQ LEGNANO Combat Group, BERGAMO
Units at PARMA and PIACENZA

INFO:- 3rd Military Territorial Command, MILAN
Territorial Artillery Command, MILAN
Territorial Engineer Command, MILAN
Territorial Military Tribunal, MILAN
Medical Directorate, MILAN
Directorate of Administration, MILAN
Equine & Veterinary Directorate, MILAN
Vehicle Repair Directorate, MILAN
23rd Recovery Commission, MILAN
HQ 3rd Military Territorial Command, MILAN

"S & T. MMIA.

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We bring to your notice that, with effect from the 6th of August, Allied items will be issued from MILAN Distribution Depot, Via Vincenzo Monti 59. The ration scale is as attached to this letter. The rules for drawing rations are as follows:-

A) METHOD OF DRAWING

1) Forms to be used for rations drawn

MMIA Form ST/8 (Mod K) in quadruplicate must be used when rations are drawn from the depot. These forms must be given to the Administrative Directorate of the MILAN Territorial Command (No.III) for approval and subsequently to the Distribution Depot three days before the actual drawing of the rations.

New units will give us the forms the day before the rations are drawn for the first period (6 - 20 Aug).

These forms must only be filled in by the units at the end only (space reserved for signature), leaving blank the parts relative to the types and quantities of the items, which will be filled in by the Distribution Depot.

Three out of the five copies will be kept by the Distribution Depot. One will be issued to the unit drawing rations, after it has been completed by the Depot and signed by the officer i/c.

In order that the denomination of the various Armed Forces drawing rations may be distinguished at once, the forms (Mod K) will show the

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following information in the larger margin:-

RE in RED for Army units.
RM in DARK BLUE for Naval units.
RA in LIGHT BLUE for Airforce units.
CCRR in BLACK for Carabinieri units.

At the side of each distinctive sign (RE - RA - RM and CCRR) the categories BRITI, USITI and ITI ITI must be shown, showing if the personnel involved are working for British, American or Italian units. A unit cannot draw rations on the same Mod K for ITI ITI, BRITI, or USITI personnel, but each category must have a separate form. The depot will not accept froms which are not compiled as above. Rations will only be drawn for units having right to the Allied ration and not exceeding the authorised strength.

2) Periods for drawing rations

Rations will be drawn in periods as follows:-

1st form ; for period 1st to 5th of each month,
2nd form ; for period 6th to 20th of each month,
3rd form ; for period 21st to 30th or 31st of each month.

The 3rd drawing can be divided into two if a unit has not a stable strength, as follows:-

One from the 21st to the one from last day of the month,
the other for the last day of the month.

This is so that units can make the number of rations drawn during the month coicide ~~with~~ at the end of the month with the actual ration strength shown on the accounts.

B) SUPPLY OF BREAD

Bread will be issued daily from the local military bakery in Via Vincenzo Monti 59. All units in the MILAN area will therefore be supplied from the above bakery. Other units outside MILAN which cannot draw bread daily, will be given a ration of flour so that they can have bread made locally. Private bakers must be approved by this Commissariat Directorate. Officers in charge of supplies are requested to come to this Directorate to receive appropriate instructions. Units in MILAN will draw bread daily by presenting the Mod K to the Bakery in quadruplicate. On the other hand units outside MILAN will have bread made by civilian bakers, and will draw the necessary flour from the Distribution Depot with the same Mod Ks used when drawing rations each period.

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C) WINE

Wine will normally be supplied by the depot; when the depot has no stocks, the unit can buy wine locally as cheaply as possible, on our advice. We draw the attention of officers i/c units of the necessity of returning all the barrels in good condition as quickly as possible to the depot, since they are only lent when the wine is drawn. If empty barrels are not returned, the supply services will be gravely inconvenienced.

D) FRUIT OR FRESH VEGETABLES

Fruit for units in MILAN will be provided by the firm EMILIO ROLANDO of MILAN FRUIT MARKET - store N.64. Units will draw fruit fortnightly on payment. The price of fruit and vegetables will be as per the current price list minus 5%. Hampers and other receptacles will be lent by the firm without payment, and they must be returned the day after the consignment. If they are not returned, the units buying the goods will pay. Units outside MILAN will buy locally using appropriate methods.

E) SOAP

The personal ration of soap is 250 grams monthly per head. The amount of soap, while being issued to military personnel both for personal use and laundry, will be adequately reduced by the CC of the units for cleaning equipment. Soap allocated to laundries will be taken as 1% of the weight of the clothes to be washed. The ration of soap will be drawn from the depot with Mod K in quadruplicate, on a basis of the strength at the first of the month.

F) FIREWOOD

The ration of firewood is 700 grams per head daily for troops in barracks with closed kitchens, and 800 grams per head daily for troops stationed or encamped with open kitchens. A declaration as to the position of the unit, signed by the officer i/c, must be made on the back of the form. For small units the ration scale will be increased as follows:-

1.200 kgs per head daily for units up to 6 men.
1.000 kgs per head daily up to 15 men.

The quota for the normal troops bath is included in the above.

All units will report to this Directorate for further information about drawing the wood and where it is to be found.

Sgd ALFREDO GRIPPO COL.

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FROM:- Ministry of War

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5 Dec 44

SOLDIERS' DAILY RATION SCALE

BREAD	551 grams	(or 424 grams flour)
MACARONI	84 "	
RICE	28 "	
TINNED MEAT OR FISH	84 "	

(can be substituted by 200 grams of horse meat) — ?

DRIED VEGETABLES	56 grams

(when a depot has none, can be substituted by 112 grams tinned vegetables or 28 grams dehydrated vegetables)

DEHYDRATED VEGETABLES	28 grams

(if none in depot, can be substituted by 56 grams dried vegetables or 112 grams tinned vegetables)

CATSUP	14 grams

(Allied provision and double concentrated. 10 grams if triple concentrated and 6 grams if six times concentrated)

FATS (oil, margarine, butter)	28 grams	
GRATED CHEESE	4 "	
or TABLE CHEESE if available	28 grams	
SOAP	250 "	monthly
PEPPER	0.14 "	
SALT	24 "	

(19 grams for cooking etc and 5 for making bread)

FRESH FRUIT	226 "

(can be substituted by 50 grams dried soft fruit - figs, plums, peaches apricots, or 14 grams shelled nuts - almonds, walnuts, hazel nuts etc)

SHELLED NUTS	42 "
UNSHELLED NUTS	56 "

(can be substituted by 100 grams dried soft fruit - figs, peaches, plums, apricots)

COFFEE	14 grams
or TEA	5.7 "
or COCOA	7 "

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SUGAR	28 grams
CIGARETTES	7 daily or 50 weekly FREE
MATCHES	40 weekly

Quota for improving messing is 5 lire per head daily.

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Subject:- Officers.

M.M.I.A. LO.,
GENOA

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AG/6
14 August 1945

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To:- HQ. MMIA, ROME
Copy to:- Senior Liaison Officer, MMIA NW Italy.

1. Reference your signal ST 941 dated 7 August 1945, could information please be given of ETA Major Stasi, and also in view of the impending departure of Major Kyle of date of arrival of his relief.

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Major,
ST/MMIA LO.,
N.W. Italy, Genoa

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"S & T" MMIA.
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LRGT V DEST: NR 7606 OVR 2 CN --

FROM ST DISTONE 14 MET

ACTION: CT 51 AMLA

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MIDIA LO CG AMLA -- LR -- 'G'

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ST/1211 RESTRICTED . REF MY ST/439 OF 13 AUG AND THIS HQ SIGNAL G/35 OF 9 AUG . ARRANGE TO CONTINUE ISSUES TO ITALIAN ARMED FORCES EX 11 AND 100 DIB'S UP TO AND INCLUDING 31 AUGUST 45 . SUBSEQUENT ISSUES WILL BE MADE FROM SITE OF 100 DIB BY ITALIAN DISTRIBUTING DEPOT . ALL INTERNED CARS

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SUBJECT :- Maintenance Italian Armed Forces.

HQ. No. 1 District, GHF.
Tel. Ext: 22497.
ST/455.
13 Aug 45.

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A.D.S.T., 61 Area.
A.D.S.T., 217 Area.
O.C., R.A.S.C. 211 Sub-Area.
O.C., R.A.S.C. 214 Sub-Area.

Copy to :- D.S.T., A.F.H.Q.
D.D.S.T., 2 District.
D.D.S.T., 3 District.
D.D.S.T., 2 Polish Corps.
A.D.S.T., 26 B.L.U.
A.D.S.T., 21 Armd. Bde. Force.
A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.A.).
13 C.R.A.S.C. Supply Units.
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M.M.I.A., L.O.
M.M.I.A., L.O. N.E. Italy (86 Area).
L.R.
Catering.
War Diary.

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71 D.I.D.	-	FLORENCE
'A' Sec 69 D.I.D.	-	VERONA
204 D.I.D.	-	BOLOGNA

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209 D.I.D.	-	MESTRE
105 D.I.D.	-	FLORENCE
464 Supply Pl (Lt)	-	FLORENCE
16 D.I.D.		FORLI
103 D.I.D.	-	FORLI

5. The Italian Base Depot at ORVIETO will be maintained under arrangements A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A., by rail ex (ROME) NAPLES

6. All outstanding balances of Italian Provided Items of the Italian Armed Forces Ration Scale remaining in British D.I.Ds. after 20 Aug 45 will be vouchered over to the appropriate Italian Distributing Depots detailed in para 4 above. Copies of all vouchers will be sent to D.Ds.S.T. 2 and 3 Districts as applicable, and to this office.

S & T, MMIA.

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7. M.M.I.A., L.O. this H.Q. has been requested to obtain correct designations of all the Italian Distributing Depots together with exact locations, and this information will be signalled to A.Ds.S.T./Os.C.R.A.S.C. as soon as possible.

8. This H.Q. S.T. Departmental Instruction No. 55, together with all instructions issued on the maintenance of the Italian Armed Forces at variance with this letter, are hereby cancelled.

In the Field.

Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

for Colonel,

VBF ADST

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In the Field,

Deputy Director of Supplies and Transport.

Colonel,

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NOTES ON VISIT OF ADST & S/CAPT (SUPS) TO LEGHORN, GENOA & MILAN.

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Aug 1st. 1700 hrs left ROME
2330 hrs arrived LEGHORN.

Aug 2nd. 0900 hrs. Met Capt. CLARKE and discussed S & T problems as follows:

(1) Owing to transport difficulty suggested that Bulk Depot be situated in FLORENCE, if agreed to, P.R.S. would rail Allied Portion direct to BOLOGNA and FLORENCE.
(2) Italian provided items could be despatched by rail to LEGHORN and BOLOGNA or Distribution Depot FLORENCE.
(3) Feeding strength LEGHORN not likely to exceed 20,000.
(4) In order to ensure stocking of depots in N.W. Italy, with Olive Oil and Wine, transport from 3 GT Coy was ordered to proceed to GENOA loaded as follows: 10 x 3 ton Oil, 36 x 3 ton Wine, lorries despatched 2 - 3rd Aug, remainder to be ferried.
(5) Visited Bulk Depot, adequate storage space.
(6) Visited Distribution Depot at COLTANO-PALACCI-COLTANO, premises satisfactory, well stacked etc. No Stock Cards-being recodied.
(7) Capt. CLARKE requested move of 150 tons of Italian Military Salvage.
(8) Above information passed to Major NELSON at 1330 hrs by ADST.

1430 hrs left LEGHORN
2030 hrs arrived GENOA, met by Major KYLE and Capt. BENATTI.

Aug 3rd. 0830 hrs. Met Major KYLE and discussed the following.

(1) Suggested that the Commissariat be made responsible for arranging all Bread contracts instead of leaving to individual units to arrange locally.
(2) Major KYLE suggested that Lt.Col. ROTTURA be removed as he is an obstructionist.
(3) It appears that no accounting instructions have been issued to Commissariat by the Ministry of War.

1100 hrs. Visited Bulk Depot GENOA SOCIETA MACINAZIONE MOLINI CEREFOBA, 15 VIA PALLAVICINI, RIVAROLA accompanied by Col. GUGLIANI-Director Comm. The following points are brought out:-

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(5) Visited Bulk Depot, adequate storage space.
(6) Visited Distribution Depot at COLIANO-PALACCI-COLIANO, premises satisfactory, well stacked etc. No Stack Cards-being remedied.
(7) Capt. CLARKE requested move of 130 tons of Italian Military Salvage.
(8) Above information passed to Major NELSON at 1330 hrs by ADST.

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1100 hrs. Visited Bulk Depot GENOA SOCIETA MAGLIAZIONE MOLINI CEREALOSA, 15 VIA PALLAVICINI, RIVAROLA accompanied by Col. GIUGLIANI-Director Comm. The following points are brought out:-

(1) Excellent depot, clean and well stocked.
(2) It appears that soap cartoons are insecurely fastened and on receipt considerable number of cases are very badly damaged. Why is string being used, why not wire?
(3) There appears to be no liaison between the Comm. in N.W. Italy and it is suggested that a weekly conference consisting of the Directors of the Comm., S & T representative, Italian LO, be held in turn at GENOA, MILAN and TURIN in order to discuss local S & T problems, i.e. Local Resources etc.

1200 hrs. Visit to Distribution Depot MARABOTTO CASSEGA, VIA FRANCESCA ROLLA, CORNIGLIANO, GENOA.

(1) Premises adequate - require cleaning up.
(2) Bad stacking and no damage.

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1500 hrs. Visit to 3 GT Coy at Transit Camp accompanied by Col. GIUGLIANI - Col MORICO (Servizio).

(1) It appears that the OC Company has taken no interest in his company, the only officers to be seen were the Transport Pln Subalterns, a request was sent for the Coy HQ to be established forthwith at GENOA. By arrangement with the Camp Cmdt Transit Camp for an area to be placed at the Coy disposal for unit lines. Company living on British rations from Transit Camp.- Vehicles are not replenishing after runs causing much delay in "turn round".
(2) Col. MORICO when asked strength of the Admin Coy vehicles stated he had only 11 runners, but 21 vehicles (incl. 5 cars) were awaiting collection from BOLZANO. No confirmation of this release could be obtained from any source.

Aug 4th. 0630 hrs. Left GENOA.
1145 hrs. Arrived MILAN. Met Major BIRD and MORICO the following were brought out:-

(1) Supply situation good - wine 50/60,000 litres consigned to 69 D.I.D. taken over by Comm. direct and consigned to MILAN (MORE telephone conversation refers).
(2) The following return to be submitted by the Comm. N.W. Italy - list of units drawing and showing strength, attached personnel to be shown separately, copies to be sent direct by Comm. to Ministry of War, M.M.I.A., Senior MMIA LO, S & T rep MMIA, Italian LO.
(3) Owing to shortage of wine Gruppi to be issued with 7 days wine only.
(4) Plns from GT Coy to be allotted as follows: one each at TURIN, GENOA, MILAN, HQ and T/Shops less L&A.D. to be at GENOA, remaining platoons to remain at ROME.
(5) Suggested Major BIRD that the E.V.P. moves from VERONA to PIACENZA where there is a covered park.

1600 hrs. Visit to Commissariat MILAN, met Lt.Col. AVRIL.

(1) Requested reason for depots in Railway siding in MILAN informed that it was necessary in order to clear trucks.
(2) Various commodities ex Partisan Stocks have been taken on charge and will be shown on Stock lists at 20th Aug.
(3) Local Resources - Surplus of Rice in MILAN - Soap can be made locally if oil is supplied - Matches local production.

1730 hrs. Visit to Col. CARMINATI (C of S) re transport - nothing to report.

Aug 5th. Remained in MILAN.

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(3) Owing to shortage of wine Gruppi to be issued with 7 days wine only.
(4) Pins from GT Coy to be allotted as follows: one each at TURIN, GENOA, MILAN, HQ and W/Shops less L.A.D. to be at GENOA, remaining platoons to remain at ROME.
(5) Suggested Major BIRD that the M.V.P. moves from VERONA to PIACENZA where there is a covered park.

1600 hrs. Visit to Commissariat MILAN, met Lt.Col. APRILE.

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Aug 5th. Remained in MILAN.

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Aug 6th. 0800 hrs left MILAN.
1200 hrs arrived GENOA.

(1) Message from D.A.D.S. for A.D.S.T. to speak ROME before moving South, - A.D.S.T. to proceed to VENICE.
(2) Kerosene not available in N.W. Italy arrangements made to supply through British D.I.Ds.
(3) It appears that Guard units are drawing 20 lire per diem for fresh items in addition to drawing from Food Depots - is this correct?
(4) How are Hos., Misc., & Dis. items being distributed in N.W. Italy - Major KNIE to be informed.
(5) Major KNIE still uncertain about the depot in the R'way siding in MILAN - A.D.S.T. to visit again on return to MILAN.

1700 hrs left GENOA
1930 hrs arrived MILAN.

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Aug 7th. 0900 hrs. Visit to Distribution Depot in MILAN (reserve depot on R'way siding) - storage unsatisfactory being mixed with U.S. depot and Civilian Food Storage, steps being taken to requisition 2nd Floor for sole use of Italian Armed Forces.
1230 hrs. Col. PENROSE left by air for VENICE.
Owing to bad weather Capt. COTTON prevented from leaving MILAN for ROME until 9 Aug.

Aug 9th. Arrived LEGHORN from MILAN at 1530 hrs, discussed with Capt. CLARKE the following:-

(1) All supplies for GENOA cleared from MILAN (14 - 15 days).
(2) Ref HQ letter GS/136 of 6 Aug. No Italian Navy listed for LA SPEZIA . Approx strength 1500.
(3) Stock in Bulk Depot is as listed in HQ Messages 9 STN 21 5 th July and 23 STN 21 1 Aug.
(4) Col. GEORGINA C.O. of Bulk Depot submitting his resignation to FLORENCE Commissariat.
(5) PENBASE to stock Distribution Depot LEGHORN direct using SS/8 for accounting pending final decision on location of Bulk Depot LEGHORN or FLORENCE.

Aug 10th. Arrived ROME 1730 hrs.

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Aug 10th. Arrived ROME 1750 hrs.

15 August 1945.

Lt.Col.
A.D.C.T.

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Translated by D. Lendyan 13 Aug 45
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Vol I

FROM : Ministry of War — 14615/S/1

TO : Commissariati at Genoa, Udine, Bologna, Florence, Bari, Naples. — 11 Aug 45

INFO : MMIA (ref ST/182 of 31 July)
Commissariati at Turin, Milan, Bolzano, Rome, Palermo, Cagliari.

SUBJECT:- Supply of rations.

In order to orientate addressees as correctly as possible in regard to the ration strengths in the various sectors, we send you details as follows for August.

Allied provided items will be British	Genoa	50,000
	Venice	45,000
	Ancona	24,000
	Bari	91,000
Allied provided items will be American	Leghorn	55,000
	Naples	105,000

The strengths of single sectors will be as follows:

Genoa Sector (Genoa Bulk Depot)	Turin Dist. Depot	6,000
	Milan " "	18,000
	Alessandria Dist. Depot	13,500
	Genoa Dist. Depot	12,500
Venice Sector (Mestre Bulk Depot)	Bolzano Dist. Depot	12,000
	Verona " "	15,000
	Venice " "	9,000
	Udine " "	5,000
	units in Trieste area	4,000
Ancona Sector (Ital. provided items from BARI Bulk Depot).	Ancona Dist. Depot	8,000
	Forli " "	16,000
Leghorn Sector (Leghorn Bulk Depot)	Florence Dist. Depot	15,000
	Bologna " "	15,000
	Leghorn " "	25,000
Bari Sector	Puglie Distr. Depots	
	Calabria " "	91,000

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	Venice " "	9,000
	Udine " "	5,000
	units in Trieste area	4,000
Ancona Sector (Ital. provided items from BARI Bulk Depot).	Ancona Dist. Depot	8,000
	Forli " "	16,000
Leghorn Sector (Leghorn Bulk Depot)	Florence Dist. Depot	15,000
	Bologna " "	15,000
	Leghorn " "	25,000
Bari Sector (Bari Bulk Depot)	Puglie Distr. Depots Calabria " " Sicily " "	91,000
Naples Sector (Naples Bulk Depot)	Campania Dist. Depots Rome Dist. Depot Sardinia Dist. Depots Cesano Rft Camp Orvieto 602 Camp	105,000

Naval, Air Force, and cooperator units are included in the above strengths.

S & T, MMIA.

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Sgd. Col. Basile

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Direz.Gener.Serv.Comm/to e Amm/vi
Divisione Sussistenze

P.M.3800, lì 11 AGO 1945

n° 14615/S/1 di prot.

ALLE DIREZ.DI COMMISS/TO DEI C/DI MIL.TERRIT/LI DI: GENOVA=UDINE= BOLOGNA=FIRENZE=BARI=NAPOLI
LORO SEDI

OGGETTO: Rifornimento viveri.

S.I.T.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C.(M.M.I.A.) ROMA
(Rif.SI/182 del 31 luglio u.s.)
ALLE DIREZ.DI COMMISS/TO DEI COM/DI MILIT.TERRIT.
DI : TORINO=MILANO=BOLZANO=ROMA=PALERMO LORO SEDI
ALLA SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE CAGLIARI

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Allo scopo di dare agli enti in indirizzo un orientamento il più possibile preciso sulla forza vettovagliata nei vari settori si comunicano i dati di forza riguardanti il mese di agosto:

I generi di fonte alleata saranno di provenienza britannica	Settore di	Genova	50.000
	" "	Venezia	45.000
	" "	Ancona	24.000
	" "	Bari	91.000
I generi di fonte alleata saranno di provenienza americana	Settore di	Livorno	55.000
	" "	Napoli	105.000

Ai singoli settori faranno capo i magazzini a fianco di ognuno indicati:

Settore Genova (Dep.Spec.Viveri Genova)	Magazzino Viveri di	Torino	n. 6.000
	" " "	Milano	" 18.000
	" " "	Alessandria	" 13.500
	" " "	Genova	" 12.500
Settore Venezia (Dep.Spec.Viveri Mestre)	" " "	Bolzano	" 12.000
	" " "	Verona	" 15.000
	" " "	Venezia	" 9.000
	" " "	Udine	" 5.000

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DI : TORINO-MILANO-BOLOGNA-GENOVA-VENEZIA-ANCONA-BARI-LIVORNO-NAPOLI

ALLA SEZIONE AUTONOMA DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE CATANIA

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	" " " Verona	" 15.000
	" " " Venezia	" 9.000
	" " " Udine	" 5.000
	Per reparti dislocati nella zona di Trieste	" 4.000

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Settore Ancona (Di norma sarà rifornito per i generi di prov.ital. del Dep.Spec.Viv. di Bari)	Magazzino Viveri di Ancona	n. 8.000
	" " " Forlì	" 16.000
Settore Livorno (Dep.Spec.Viveri Livorno)	Magazzino Viveri di Firenze	" 15.000
	" " " Bologna	" 15.000
	" " " Livorno	" 25.000
Settore Bari (Dep.Spec.Viv. Bari)	Magazzini Viveri delle Puglie	n.91.000
	" " della Calabria	
	" " " Sicilia	
Settore Napoli (Dep.Spec.Viv.Napoli)	Magazz.Viv.della Campania	n. 105.000
	" " di Roma	
	" " della Sardegna	
	Campo Compl.di Cesano	
	802 Campo Coml.Orvieto	

Nella forza suddetta sono compresi i reparti della R.Marina e della R.Aeronautica, nonchè i reparti cooperatori.

p.IL DIRETTORE GENERALE a.p.s.
L'ISPETTORE GENERALE
f/to Col. Basile

p. c. c.
IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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Settore Bari (Dep.Spec.Viv. Bari)	Magazzini Viveri delle Puglie " " della Calabria " " " Sicilia	n.91.000
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LROF V MWRU 12?295 IMPORTANT QVR1
FROM HQ 13 CRASC SUP UNITS 121300B
TO DDST MIMIA
INFO FREEDOM CITE FHGDT
GR -- BT
9093/ST . RESTD . SUBJECT - OPENING OF MMIA DEPOTS .
FIRST . OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT .
SECO D . REQUEST YOU CALL OR TELEPHONE THIS OFFICE SOONEST
BT
SENTJLK TOO 121230B.
XX RECD 121743B JN BB

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SIGNALS

"S & T. MMIA.

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M.M.I.A. LIAISON OFFICE
PENBASE
APO 782 U.S. ARMY

9 Aug 1945.

SUBJECT: Leghorn Bulk Depot.

TO : Land Forces Sub Commission, AC, (MMIA), Rome.

1. Pursuant to conversation of Lt Col PENROSE and Capt CLARK the following observations are noted.

a. Italian Provided Items.

(i) Any Italian provided items would have to be railed to Leghorn and later re-railed to Florence or the North. Better to rail items direct to the North or congregate items in Florence which is near the center of Italy. The only operating rail line to the North is between Bologna and Florence.

b. Allied Provided Items.

(i) Allied provided items can be railed direct from 61 BQM Depot (PBS loading and consigning the RR cars) to Bologna and Florence.

(ii) Issue depot at Coltano can draw from 61 BQM Depot four (4) times monthly.

(iii) With the bulk food depot having one truck to work with it is readily apparent that the Italian depot could not handle any tonnage for Bologna and Florence. Furthermore it is foolish to transport rations from PBS dump to the bulk warehouse 5 miles away and then re-transfer them to the issue depot which is only one and one half miles from PBS dump.

c. Request that -

(i) Release orders for the Allied portion of the ration for Bologna and Florence be obtained from MTOUSA and PBS will rail items direct.

YES - with delivery at Naples

(ii) Coltano Depot continue to draw Allied portion from 61st BQM.

51 4/ YES

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(111) Italian provided items for Coltano issue depot continue to be railed monthly. YES

(iv) Leghorn Bulk Depot be moved to Florence. No

Frederick R. Clark

FREDERICK R. CLARK,
Captain, CAC,
Liaison Officer.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

SECRET

SUBJECT: Maintenance Italian Armed Forces

AFHQ/64/JT6

Tel: Freedom 499

9 August 1945

DLST, 13 Corps
DLST, 1 District
DLST, 2 District

S & T, MMIA.
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Comp to 31/107 SCS

1. It is intended that the Italian Army will assume responsibility for the detailed issue of supplies to all Italian Armed Forces in NE and NW Italy, thus coming into line with the arrangements at present in force in the remainder of Italy.

2. (a) The dates of transfer of maintenance responsibility are :

NW Italy	6 Aug 1945
NE Italy	21 Aug 1945

(b) From these dates all Italian Armed Forces (including Ex-Co-operators) will draw their complete supply requirements from Italian Distribution Depots. Issues from British DIDs will cease on the previous days.

(c) Addressees will liaise with MMLA LO's regarding location of Italian Depots and ensure that all OsC DIDs inform each Italian unit on the last issue day where to go for subsequent issues.

3. The Italian provided items of the Italian Armed Forces Ration Scale (including Fresh Items) will cease to be handled by any British Depot from the above dates. Any outstanding balances of these items remaining in British Depots after these dates will be disposed of by arrangements with MMLA LO's, with the exception of stocks held at 14 and 22 CRASC (Sup Units). These will be disposed of in accordance with instructions from this Directorate.

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(c) British Depots from which releases will be made, and anticipated commitments, are as follows :

Italian Depot	Anticipated Feeding Strength	To be released from British Sources	Supplying Depot	Remarks
GENOA	50,000	50,000	42 BSD	Italian Depot will move to MILAN and be fed from 15 CRASC on closure of 42 BSD.
VENICE	45,000	45,000	6 BSD	
ANCONA	24,000	24,000	15 CRASC (S.F)	

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NAPLES	105,000	NIL	-	

DDST 15 Corps will allow for the commitment for 6 BSD in his demands and shipping tonnage bids made on this HQ.

(d) Detailed instructions regarding releases of supplies will be issued separately.

5. This Directorate letters AFHQ/61/ST6 dated 6 Mar 45 (two letters) are cancelled.

ST/102.

W. M. E. White Lieut-Colonel,
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: DDST, British Troops in Austria
DDST, 3 District
ADST, MMLA
ADST, Rome Area Allied Command
HQ, 13 CRASC (Sup Units)
HQ, 14 CRASC (Sup Units)
HQ, 22 CRASC (Sup Units)
OC, 42 BSD

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DADS

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BARI	91,000	91,000	22 CRASC (SU)	Includes Italian Navy
NAPLES	105,000	NIL	-	

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War Diary (3)
AFHQ/64/2/ST6
AFHQ/73/ST6
Co-ord (3)

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ATOMAL MESSAGE

DATE TIME

10 1203 Z

FROM MMIA

TO ZEUR 13 CORPS

INFO PRIORITY Q NAIROBI

105

Q 515 UNCLASSIFIED

REFER 86 ARMA MESSAGE AQ/938 OF 6 AUG NOT TO PRESENT (.) IN VIEW PRESENT INABILITY TO USE 44 P60 AS RELEASED IN PERSONAL FX 29170 OF 28 JULY URGENTLY REQUEST YOUR AGREEMENT TO USE THESE MEANS IN ALTERNATIVE WORDS IN ORDER TO GET THIS SCHEME WORKING

PRECEDENCE Routine

AUTHENTICATED

Int. Copy AT

KRN 1078

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 10 Aug

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M M I A

10 1220 .B.

TO : COMFOB PALERMO FOR MMIA 10

INFO : ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY FOR PELLIGRA

ST/948

UNCLASSIFIED (.) REQUEST YOU ARRANGE AIR PASSAGE EARLIEST FOR ITALIAN LT.COL. APPICCIUTOLI FROM PALERMO TO ROME (.) WAR MINISTRY URGENTLY NEED OFFICER FOR SUPPLY WORK IN NORTH ITALY (.) WAR MINISTRY SENDING ORDERS TO PALERMO TERRITORIAL COMMAND (.) ACK

(ST/204)

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

INTERNAL:- 'Q'
'A'
ST/182

AUTHENTICATION R. Robertshaw Major
Lt.Col.

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FROM : M M I A

TO : 60 SUB AREA FOR MMIA LO

INFO : MILAN FOR MMIA LO
TIRLIN FOR MMIA LO

122/364

UNCLASSIFIED (.) WAR MINISTRY REPORT ITS CONCENTRATION AS FOR MY ITALY WILL BE MAJOR STASI (.) DATE ETA NOT KNOWN YET

Counter at. (120)

(MY/200)

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Lt.Col.

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M M I A

TO : 86 ARMA FOR MGIA LO

INFO : 55 ARMA FOR MGIA LO
DISTOMS FOR MGIA LO

07 .B.

SE/939

UNCLASSIFIED (.) MINUTES MEETING ABOUT 19 JULY (.) WAR MINISTRY
COMMISSARIATO DO NE TRAIN WILL BE CAPT. AUTHORO WHO WILL ARRIVE MESTRE
ON/ABOUT 10 AUGUST 45

(82/182)

CLASSIFICATION

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AUTHENTICATOR

16.602.

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M M I A

TO : 60 SUB ARRA FOR MMIA LO

INFO : MILAN FOR MMIA LO

07 1503 B.

ST/340

(104)

UNCLASSIFIED (.) REF YOUR ATQ/13 OF 06 (.) DISEMBARKMENT NO. 2 BULK DEPOT NOT CORRECT (.) WAR MINISTRY WILL CLARIFY COMMISSARIATO GENOA (.) MMIA ORDAT OF JULY BEING AMENDED TO INCLUDE NO. 2 BULK DEPOT (.) PLEASE ADVISE IF FURTHER DIFFICULTIES

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

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AUTHENTICATION K. Robertson Lt.Col.

INTERNAL:-

'Q'
'G'
ST/220

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LROF V LRJ A 06158 QVR 2
FROM 86 (ARMY) AREA 061640B
TO REAR 13 CORPS
INFO MMIA ROME . ST
QSH GR50 BT
AQ/938 UNCLASSIFIED .
FURTHER TO MY AQ881 OF 02 NOT TO ALL . CAN MAKE AVAILABLE
THREEN SHEDS FOR IT BSD IN ALUMINIUM WORKS . AREA RES BY AFHQ
FOR 38 VEH PK AND USA . SECOND [redacted] KEY PLAN VENICE
REFERS . IF AGREEABLE REQUEST YOU OBTAIN RELEASE EX AFHQ THIS
ACCN . AGREED MMIA REP
BT
SENT WM AR
MMM IMI 38 VEH PK TO KEY PLAN K
RECD 062120B JN AR TKS

MMIA 3/07 SIGNALS

S.T.

S.T. MMIA.
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MMIA 6/07

LROF V MEBW 06101 QVR 1

FROM MMIA 8 LO GENOA C/O 60 SUB AREA 061700

TO LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A C (MMIA) ROME

INFO MMIA LO N W ITALY NO 5 PIAZZA VARANRO MILAN

QQX GR 38

RESTRICTED (.) STG/13 (.) FOR ADST (.) INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM DIRET TORE COMMISSARIATO GENOA DESBANDMENT OF 2 BULK DEPOT GENOA ORDERED BY ITALIAN WAR MINISTRY (.) UNTIL ITALIAN STOCKS HELD BY 42 B S D ARE TAKEN OVER THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE (.) PLEASE CONFIRM OCCP/ OR DENY (.)

THI 1830

SENTNR 101 2005 WHK B

RECD NR101 207 2005B BP AR KKKK

"S & T., MMIA.

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found Boxes N90/06/03

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FROM MMIA LO SG AREA 061645

TO MMIA ROME

QQX GRAT ET

STZ RESTRICTED . OFFICE LOCATED JUST S.W. OF ADOS DUMP .

TURM LEFT FROM ROAD MESTRE PADUA . PHONE 1268 . HAVE LOCATED ONLY

POSSIBLE SITE NEAR MESTRE FOR DEPOT. SG AREA HAVE APPLIED TO ASHQ

FOR AUTHORITY . LO SECTION COMMISSARIAT SET UP AT MESTRE.

HAVE INSTRUCTED MMIA TO LAY ON

ET

RCVT 1810 JN AR

RECD 1810 JN AR

"S & T.

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M.M.I.A.
25/06
SIGNALS

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Translation

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From : MOW
To : MMIA
Subject : Salt for the Italian Armed Forces.

Ref. : 14156/3/1
Date : Aug. 4, 1945

Further to letter 13715/3/1 dated July 25, 1945.

In regard to this Ministry's request, the Directorate General of the State Monopolies has informed us that for the present, the Salt mines in Northern Italy are not able to satisfy the needs of the troops located in the Northern regions and that consequently, the supplies of salt must continue to be obtained from the Marghérite di Savoie Salt mines.

S. a T. MMIA. (SGD) Illegible

Cml. VDC

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ps **MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA**

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI

Divisione Sussistenze

Sezione I^

Prot. N. 14156/S/1 Allegati

Risposta al f.° del

Div. Sez. N.°

P.M. 3800, li 4 · 8 · 45

A/LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION

A.C.(M.M.I.A.)

R O M A

Oggetto: Sale per le FF.AA.

S.T

Seguito f.13715/S/1 del 25 luglio u.s.

La Direzione Generale dei Monopoli di Stato, riferendosi alla richiesta di questo Ministero, ha fatto conoscere che le Saline dell'Alta Italia non sono, per ora, in grado di soddisfare i bisogni delle truppe dislocate nelle regioni del Nord e che in conseguenza il rifornimento di sale dovrà continuare ad effettuarsi, anche per dette truppe, presso la Salina di Margherita di Savoia.

p.IL DIRETTORE GENERALE a.p.s.

L'ISPETTORE GENERALE

"S & T. MMIA.

Date 5 Aug 45

Time 182

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IN { Time 0730 Date 6/8

OUT { Time 1630 Date 6/8

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M M I A

TO : 86 AREA FOR MEIA IO

INFO : 13 CORPS FOR MEIA IO

06 1530 B.

ST/257

UNCLASSIFIED (.) REFERENCE YOUR ST/1 OF 05 (.) ADVT PROCEEDING FROM MILAN TO VENICE BY PLANE OF AUGUST (.) MEA MOON

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PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

DISPOSAL:- 'Q' 'A'

AUTHENTICATION [illegible] 12.661. jn

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