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Reports to Bari

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SUBJECT:- Distribution Depot - TARANTO.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.C.I.A.).
BX/210

Ministry of War.

Copy to:- 9 BLJ (BARI)
(ST/1 of 1 Dec refers).

5 Dec 45.

1. It is understood that the roadway outside the issue points at No. 51 Distribution Depot TARANTO is in urgent need of repairs.
2. This matter was raised as long ago as February 1945 but it appears from a recent report for the Liaison Officer with 9 BLJ that no action has been taken.
3. It is suggested that you will wish to examine this matter with a view to seeing what can be done to remedy the matter.

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MPHD/gno

He Lt.Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.C.I.A.).

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SUBJECT:- Inspection of Supply Depots.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/210

9 BLU BARI.

5 Dec 45.

Reference reports enclosed with your ST/1 of 1 Dec 45 relative to inspection of Distribution Depots at BRINDISI and TARANTO.

1. It is noticed that comment is made on non-existence of recreational facilities in either of these Depots.
2. Will you please contact the Welfare Officer with Local Territorial Command with a view to seeing whether it is possible to provide any assistance on this point to the Depot Commanders concerned.

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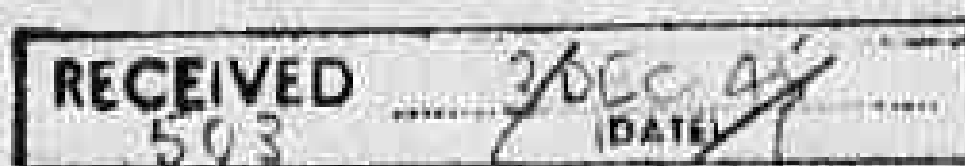
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Lt. Col. RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (M.M.I.A.).

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SUBJECT:- Inspection of Depots.

9 British Liaison Unit.
BARI.



1 Dec 45.

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A.D.S.T.
Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

Attached are two reports on inspection of depots at
BRINDISI and TARANTO, as per Appendix "B" of your ST/292 dated
21 Nov 45.

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E.L. Munn-Murray
Capt. RASC.
for DAA & QMG.9 BLU.

Copy to:- Capt. Halkett. RASC.
ST LO, 10 B.L.U.

ELMM/or.

S & T. MMIA.

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LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION
OF DEPOTS (SUPPLIES).

ST APPENDIX "B3"

- (a). Name of Inspecting Officer: CAPT. E. L. MONCK-MASON, R.A.S.C.
- (b). Date of Inspection: 28th November, 1945.
- (c). Name of Depot: No 51 Food Distribution Depot,
Via Orsini, TARANTO.
- (d). Name of O.C. (& Other Officers): TENENTE MICELI, Ignazio.....i/c.
S/TEN. RADICE, Paolo.....2i/c.
- (e). Stock Position--No of Days: At least 30 Days of ALL items held.
Checks made: Tnd. Fish:-Kgs. 5,125.380
Sugar:- " 2,229.535
ST/4s, ST/11s & Italian entries all AGREED
- (f). Physical Warehousing.
(1) Accommodation, Cover, etc: Sufficient accommodation, stone bldgs and floors.
(2) Stacking, height, etc: Satisfactory.
(3) Dunnage: Ample dunnage in use in all storage rooms
- (g). (1)-Fresh Fruit & Veg; Purchased locally under Unit arrangements
method of procurement:-
(2)-Bread; Number of Bakeries under contract:-
One(1) local civilian contract with SANTOIERMA, Via Crespi, TARANTO.
- (h). Tally-Cards. On all stacks; examined & found up-to-date
- (i). Detail Issue Points in Depot:- (i). Tinned Goods. (iii). Oil & Salt etc.
(ii). Sacked "
- (j). Fuels. (i)-Wood Storage: 700 qli. Wood stored in Depot garden.
(ii)- Coal: 10 qli. Carbonella stored in Depot.
(iii)-Lignite: Nil.
- (k). Labour. Local contact through Comande Presidio
Civilians employed (numbers): for civilian labour as required.
4 civilian clerks employed in office.
- (l). Guards. 4 soldiers from 501 Gd. Bn. on duty at night. Adequately protected in daytime.
- (m). Fire Precautions. Adequate: picks, shovels, sand & water buckets suitably dispersed around Depot.
Fire Orders posted in office.
- (n). Anti-Rat Precautions: One(1) Cat; traps in use throughout.
- (o). RE Works outstanding: Roadway outside Issue Points urgently needs attention. As long ago as February, 1945, this was brought to the attention of Comande Benie by me, but they consider the

(l). Guards.

(m). Fire Precautions.

(n). Anti-Rat Precautions:

(o). RE Works outstanding:
(state how long)

(p). Depot Transport:

(q). Feeding Strengths:

(1)-Army, Navy, Air.

(BR, US, ITI-ITI)

(2). Total No of Units:

(r). Accountancy.-Allied System:

Italian System:

(s). Accommodation:-Sleeping quarters: Adequate.

Dining " " "

Recreational " Nil.

Cookhouse: Adequate.

Latrine & Ablutions: " "

(t). General Turnout of men: Fair.

(u). Inspecting Officer's general opinion of the Depot,

Suggestions for improvement:

Satisfactory; O.C. recommended to try and arrange for recreational facilities for the men.

29 November, '45.

C.L. Munn-Mason

Capt, R.A.S.C.
for S & T, 9 BLU.

4 soldiers from 501 Gd.Bn. on duty at night. Adequately protected in daytime.
Adequate: picks, shovels, sand & water buckets suitably dispersed around Depot.
Fire Orders posted in office.

One (1) Cat; traps in use throughout.

Readway outside Issue Points urgently needs attention. As long ago as February, 1944, this was brought to the attention of Comandante Benio by me, but they consider the cost too prohibitive. Will repeat, before bad weather makes the situation worse.

Civil contract per Comandante Presidio for horse-&-cart tpt. O i/c requests meter tpt

AV. Daily Str., as at 2L Nov: 1914.

6 ITI-ITI-1070, CRR-244,

BR-ITI (Italian items only)-600)

Twelve (12).

MMIA system in force, supported by Italian method. ST/4s, ST/11s checked & found correct

LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION
OF DEPOTS (SUPPLIES)

ST APPENDIX "B"

(a) Name of Inspecting Officer

Capt. E. L. Monck-Mason, RASC.

(b) Date of Inspection

26 November 45

(c) Name of Depot

No. 53 Italian Army Dist. Depot.
Via Guglielmo Marconi, BRINDISI.

(d) Name of O.C.
(other officers)

Capitano ANNICHIARICO. G. i/c.
S/Tenente LERTOLA. Dario: : : : 2i/c.

(e) Stock Position (No. of days)
(checks made)

At least 15 days Reserve of ALL
Items held
P. Meat - Kgs. 268.252 ST/4s & ST/11s
Tomato Paste - 5001.881. AGREED with
the actual
stock & entry
in IT. Stk. Bk.

(f) Physical Warehousing.

(1) Accommodation, Cover etc.

(2) Stacking, height etc.

(3) Dunnage.

Ample accommodation & storing space.
with good stone floors.
Satisfactory.
In all storage rooms.

(g) (1) Fresh Fruit & Veg. method
of procurement.

(2) Bread. Number of Bakeries
on contract.

Purchased locally under Unit
arrangements.
One (1) civilian bakery under
contract - LOMBARDO Pietro, BRINDISI.

(h) Tally Cards.

On all Stacks: up to date and in
order.

(i) Detail Issue Points in Depot.
(number)

One issue store.

(j) Fuels.

(1) Wood storage.

(2) Coal storage.

(3) Lignite storage.

In Via Appia: approx 1200 qli.

In Via Terpizani: approx 5000 qli.

(k) Labour.

Civilians employed (numbers)

Local contractor provides labour,

(j) Detail Issue Points in Depot.
(number)

(j) Fuels.

- (1) Wood storage.
- (2) Coal storage.
- (3) Lignite storage.

(k) Labour.

Civilians employed (numbers)

Local contractor provides labour, as and when necessary, for loading purposes.
5 civilian clerks employed in office.

(l) Guards.

6 civilian guards employed on shifts.
Armed guards at night.

(m) Fire Precautions.

Adequate precautions with Fire Poin
Fire Orders published.

(n) Anti Rat precautions.

1 Dog, 2 Cats, traps in use.

(o) RE Works outstanding.
(state how long)

Nil.

(p) Depot Transport.

Civilian firm of DOSCIOLI, Gemma, on contract to supply horse and cart transport.

(q) Feeding Strengths.

Average daily feeding strength as at 21 Nov 45.

- (1) (Army, Navy, Air)
(BR-US-ITI-ITI)
- (2) Total number of units.

R. Marina, Brindisi - 5105.) 6236.
ITI-ITI (incl. CRR) - 1131.)
Seventeen (17)

(r) Accountancy.

Allied system.
Italian system.
General remarks.

MMIA system in force, supported by Italian method of accounting.
ST/4s, ST/11s examined.

(s) Accommodation.

Sleeping quarters.
Dining " "
Recreational facilities.
Cookhouse

Adequate accomodation.

Men's dining room.

Recreational facilities. Nil. Recommended.

Adequate.

Latrines & ablutions Adequate.

(n) Anti Rat precautions.

1 Dog, 2 Cats, traps in use.

(o) RE Works outstanding.

(state how long)

Nil.

(p) Depot Transport.

Civilian firm of DCSCIOLI, Gemma, on contract to supply horse and cart transport.

(q) Feeding Strengths.

Average daily feeding strength as at 21 Nov 45.

(1) (Army, Navy, Air)

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(s) Accommodation.

Sleeping quarters.
Dining " "
Recreational facilities.
Cookhouse
Latrines & ablutions.

Adequate accommodation.
Men's dining room.
Nil. Recommended.
Adequate.
Adequate.

(t) General Turnout of Men.

Fair.

(u) Inspecting Officer's general opinion of the depot, suggestions etc. for improvement:-

Efficient and well conducted depot, which also includes in the same buildings a Barrack Stores (Cassamaggio) holding bedding and furniture etc., under the supervision of 1 NCO (responsible to O.C.), 1 civilian clerk, 3 male, 3 female civilian labour.

29 Nov 45.

L.L. Manna-Manna

Capt. RASO.

for DAAQMG, 9 B.L.U.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/4140.
1st December, 1945.

From : Navy Sub Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.
To : Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission. ✓
(M.M.I.A.)

Subject : Inspection of the Provision Store, Taranto.

With reference to paragraph 2 of Navy Sub Commission's letter NSC/3205 dated 9th August, 1945, information has now been received from the Ministry of Marine to the effect that the Captain in Charge, Taranto, has approved the release to the Italian Royal Navy of the premises situated above the bakery, referred to in paragraph 2 of section (b), of the appendix to the Military Mission to the Italian Army Liaison Officer Bari's report No. ST/1 dated 24th July, 1945.

Assume NSC will arrange as it is a Navy report. HJ

H. St. J. Butler
H. ST. J. BUTLER,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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Navy Sub Commission AGO 394

HSC/AMQ.
1st December, 1945.

From : Navy Sub Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.
To : Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission.
(L.F.S.A.)

Subject : Inspection of the Provision Store, Toronto.

With reference to paragraph 2 of Navy Sub Commission's letter HSC/3205 dated 9th August, 1945, information has now been received from the Ministry of Marine to the effect that the Captain in Charge, Toronto, has approved the release to the Italian Royal Navy of the premises situated above the bakery, referred to in paragraph 2 of section (b), of the appendix to the Military Mission to the Italian Army Liaison Officer-Bari's report No. JT/1 dated 24th July, 1945.

H. ST. J. BUTLER,
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY,
FOR HEAD AMQAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

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To: - A.D.B.T., Land Forces Sub-Comm., A.C.,
M.M.I.A. ROBE.

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Appendix '1'.

M.M.I.A. S & T LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON VISIT OF
INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

<u>Name of Depot</u> <u>inspected.</u>	<u>Date.</u>	<u>Type of Depot:-</u> <u>i.e., BULK, DB, POL,</u> <u>or FORGE.</u>	<u>Name and Rank of</u> <u>Inspecting Officer.</u>
9 ^o Deposito Spec. Viveri, BARI. (187, Via RE DAVID.)	8/10/45.	Food Bulk Storage Depot.	Capt. E.L. MORCK-MASON, R.A.S.C. <i>noted</i>

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position. SATISFACTORY.

Suspension of supplies ex 22 CR SC (Sup. Units), as laid down in
AFHQ/64/ST6(b) dated 17 Sept. '45, will be completed this week, &
normal deliveries will recommence.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position. SATISFACTORY.

(c). Accounting Position. SATISFACTORY.

'Spot-checks' carried out on 2 stacks of items: tally-cards (ST/4)
and entries on Commodity A/c (ST/11) agreed with stocks on hand.

(d). General.

Ten-Col. SCARPA, O.C. Depot, complained of an 'incident' which occurred
at 46 BSD, when an Italian Sergente-Maggiore was publicly searched
in front of a crowd of laughing and jeering civilians on leaving the
BSD. Maj. ALEXANDER, O.C. 46 BSD, has been informed, and states that this
will not occur again.

Date: - 8 OCT 1945

Signature of Inspecting Officer.

E.L. Morck-Mason
Capt.; R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMM.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

S & T, M.M.I.A.

Recd 11 Oct

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To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
R.M.E.

FileyRef: ST/1.
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AMIA S & T LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON VISIT OF
INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Name of Depot inspected.	Date.	Type of Depot: i.e., FOOD, BULK, DD, or PERPET.	Name and Rank of Inspecting Officer.
550 Magazzino Mil. Viveri, FOGGIA.	2/10/45.	Food Distribution & Issue Depot.	Capt. E.L. MONCK-MASON, ^{noted} R.A.S.C. ^{8/10}

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.	Latest Feeding Strengths, as at last period:
	US-III. 463
Army. 711	424
Air Force. 1146	485
1857	1436
	1424
	509
	2459

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Not very satisfactory, for reasons stated in my previous reports: in view of your decision not to proceed further with the proposed new premises owing to the high expenditure involved, I have suggested to the Dir.Gen.Comm. here that they take steps to evict the people living on part of the present premises. These persons are NOT authorised to be there, and since the depot is always over-crowded, the extra space made available by their removal would be of considerable benefit.

During my visit, a number of cartons being unloaded, supposed to contain Tinned Sardines, were found to be partially packed with stones and other bric-a-brac. O i/c Depot stated that he was continually receiving packages of a similar nature from BULK Depot, BARI, and had written to Dir.Gen.Comm. on this subject. (letter ref. 5/1947 dated 28/9/45. AGREED to take up with Dir.Gen.Comm.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory. 'Spot-checks' carried out on following items: - TWD SALMON. Kgs. 6152.923. Entries on ST/4 & ST/11 agreed with

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Not very satisfactory, for reasons stated in my previous reports: in view of your decision not to proceed further with the proposed new premises owing to the high expenditure involved, I have suggested to the Dir.Gen.Comm. here that they take steps to evict the people living on part of the present premises. These persons are NOT authorised to be there, and since the depot is always overcrowded, the extra space made available by their removal would be of considerable benefit.

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(c). Accounting Position.

on following items:-

'Satisfactory. 'Spot-checks' carried out on following items:- TRD SIMON. Kgs. 8152.923.

Entries on ST/4 & ST/11 agreed with actual stock on hand. 0354

SCAP: Kgs. 12619.560. Agreed as above.

(When I remarked that stocks of soap appeared to be rather excessive for depot requirements, O i/c stated that 10-Tons were being despatched to BARI next day.)

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known reduction with 6/10

known reduction of 6/10

9 OCT 1945

Date.....

Signature of Inspecting Officer:

E.L. Munro-Mason
..... Capt.; R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMAL

A.C. (M.M.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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To:- ADST, Land Forces Sub-Comm, A.C.,
M.M.I.A. ROME.

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MMIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF DEPOT.

<u>Name of Depot inspected.</u>	<u>Date.</u>	<u>Type of Depot:- i.e., BULK, DD, PCL, or FORAGE.</u>	<u>Name and Rank of Inspecting Officer.</u>
9° Deposito Speciale Viveri, (187. Via RE DAVID) B A R I .	27/9/45.	Food Bulk Storage Depot.	Capt. E.L. MONCK-MASON, R.A.S.C. <i>Noted</i>

- (a). Maintenance of Sector Position. Satisfactory.
Deliveries from 22 CRASC(Sup.Units) have been suspended for all items except FLOUR, in accordance with instructions contained in AFHQ letter AFHQ/64/ST6(b) dated 17 Sept, '45. Dir.Com.9 Terr.HQ. have been advised in order that adequate stocks and reserves may be maintained in the Bulk Depot of such items as are likely to be affected (my ST/10/1 of 26 Sept, '45, copy to you, refers.)

- (b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory. Ref. previous report dated 6 Sept., FLOUR from PBS NAPLES has been received and stacked higher in depot. At present, Depot is rather overcrowded, but, in view of (a) above, this will right itself in due course.

- (c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory. Spot-checks carried out on 2 Stacks of items. Tally-cards(ST/4) and Commodity A/C(ST/11) agreed and up-to-date with stock on hand.

- (d). General. Analysis Commission held today at this Depot to determine condition of certain foodstuffs believed to be unfit for consumption. Full report will be rendered to HQ MMIA in due course, in the usual manner.

Date 27 SEP 1945

Signature of Inspecting Officer.

E.L. Monck-Mason

Capt., R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMM.

A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

"S & T", MMIA.

Recd 29 Sept

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To: A.D.S.P.,

Lend Forces Sub-Comm., A.C. (M.L.I.A.)

Ref: ST/1.
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MAIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF DEPOT.

<u>Name of Depot inspected.</u>	<u>Date.</u>	<u>Type of Depot:- i.e., BULK, DD, POL, or FORGE.</u>	<u>Name and Rank of Officer Inspecting.</u>
9° Magazzino Mil. Viveri, Via Mercati, BARI.	25/9/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Store.	Capt. E. L. MONCK-MASON, R.A.S.C.

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position:-

Satisfactory.

Average Daily Feeding Strength,
for previous period:

BR-ITI	US-ITI	ITI-ITI	Total.
4528	532	6929+	11,989
AIR FORCE. 3959	1312	-	5,371
			17,360

6929
2959
3971

+includes 2950 CCRR.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position:-

Satisfactory.

Room for improvement in cleanliness of the
Issuing Store, but this was inspected during
the time that issues were being made, and 2 i/c
assured that this would be rectified.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

2 Items 'spot-checked', namely,
TND. SALMON: Kgs. 2421.739, actual stock & as per ST/4
90.324, actual stock & as per ST/4
in issuing store.

2512.063

2511.674, as per ST/11 in office.

.389, SURPLUS taken on charge,
accounted for by issues
to nearest tin.

TOMATO PASTE: ST/4s & ST/11s agreed with actual
stocks on hand.

6979
2436
3979

BR-ITI	US-ITI	ITI-ITI	Total
4528	532	6929+	11,989
AIR FORCE. 3959	1312	-	5,271
			<u>17,260</u>

+includes 2950 CORR.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position:-

Satisfactory. Room for improvement in cleanliness of the Issuing Store, but this was inspected during the time that issues were being made, and 2 i/c assured that this would be rectified.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory. 2 Items 'spot-checked', namely, TND. SALMON: Kgs. 2421.759, actual stock & as per ST/4 90.324, actual stock & as per ST/4 in issuing store.

2512.063
2511.674, as per ST/11 in office.
.389, SURPLUS taken on charge, accounted for by issues to nearest tin.

TOMATO PASTE: ST/4s & ST/11s agreed with actual stocks on hand.

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(d). General:-

O.C. Deyot, Major. PADULA, not present at time of inspection, but Tenente, 2 i/c, accompanied me round.

25 SEP 1945

Signature of Inspecting Officer.

P.L. Mun. Mun.
Capt., R.A.S.C.

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LAND FORCES SUB COMM.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME.

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Appendix: I.

MILIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

<u>Name of Depot inspected;</u>	<u>Date.</u>	<u>Type of Depot:- i.e. BULK, DD, PCL, or FORAGE.</u>	<u>Name and Rank of Inspection Officer.</u>
57° Magazzino Mil. Viveri, ORTONA-à-Mare. (Via Ciro degli Olivetti, 6.)	20/9/45	Food Distribution and Issue Store.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.
(a). <u>Maintenance of Sector Position.</u>			
Satisfactory.			
Feeding Strengths, as at last period			
Army. (BR-III- 943 } 3148			
(ingcir) (US-III- Nil. }			
Navy. 45			
Air Force 20			
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(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

As previously reported, NOT satisfactory; but this is being remedied, as set out in my ST/2 dated 21 Sept, '45, in which it is planned to move this depot to more suitable premises situate at the CASERMA TITO ACEREO, PESCARA; These new premises are Italian Military property, being formerly utilised by Dir. Artigliera: they are entirely suitable and commodious, and a vast improvement on the existing Depot at ORTONA. As the majority of the Units now drawing from the Depot at ORTONA are from an area north of this town, and, in any event, have to pass through PESCARA to draw, this move is convenient from all angles.

(c). Accounting Position.

Spot-checks carried out on 2 items:
T. SALMON: 401.037 Kgs. } Actual Stock, ST/4
MATCHES: 500470 Singles } & ST/11 agreed.

(d). General. It is aimed to open new Depot at PESCARA in time for

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As previously reported, NOT satisfactory; but this is being remedied, as set out in my ST/2 dated 21 Sept, '45, in which it is planned to move this depot to more suitable premises situate at the CASERMA TITO ACEREO, PESCARA; These new premises are Italian Military property, being formerly utilised by Dir. Artigliera: they are entirely suitable and commodious, and a vast improvement on the existing Depot at ORTONA. As the majority of the Units now drawing from the Depot at ORTONA are from an area north of this town, and, in any event, have to pass through PESCARA to draw, this move is convenient from all angles.

(c). Accounting Position. Spot-checks carried out on 2 items:
T. SALMON: 401.037 Kgs. } Actual Stock: ST/4
MATCHES: 500470 Singles } & ST/11 agreed.

(d). General. It is aimed to open new Depot at PESCARA in time for Units to draw for period 6-20 OCT, '45.

Date.. 22 SEP 1945..

Signature of Inspecting
Officer.

St. Michael-Mason

Sept., R. A. S. C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMM.
C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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SUBJECT:- No. 53 Food Distribution Depot - BRINDISI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/180

MMIA LO o/o 54 Area.

17 Sept 1945.

Reference your ST/2 of 29 Aug 45.

1. On the basis of your recommendations and present location of troops, closure of No. 53 Food Distribution Depot, Brindisi, is being held in obedience.

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KRN
Lt.Col. RASC,
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.(MMIA).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

NSC/3491
7th September, 1945.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT on
Ministry of Marine's letter
No. SM.18127 of the
2nd September, 1945.

From: Navy Sub Commission, Ho., Allied Commission.
To : Land Forces Sub Commission,
Headquarters Allied Commission. (M.M.I.A.) ✓

Subject: Inspection of Italian Royal Navy Provision Stores.

Forwarded for information with reference to Land Forces
Sub Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission (M.M.I.A.) letter
No. ST/210 dated 5th August, 1945.

S. J. Blackburn.

for REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION

DAOS KRN 11/9
SC'S 1ms 11/9

S & T. MMIA

Recd. 10 Sep

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From: MINISTRY OF MARINE (Maristat)
To : N.S.C.
Date: 2 September 1945
Ref.: SM.18127

C O P Y

Subject: Inspection of I.R.N. Provision Stores.

Reply is made to your NSC/3206 of 10th instant.

Information already received in reply to the instructions mentioned in my SM/15453 of 20th July '45 indicates that the surpluses of provisions above the authorised reserves are in course of elimination.

The precise details will appear in the next monthly report.

However, I have to point out that owing to the necessity of forwarding the victualling estimates several days in advance and to the variations in the strength of departments during the fortnight's consumption, which cannot always be foretold exactly, it may result that reserves still exceed the maximum authorised upon occasion.

Orders have been given, however, that in such event the surplus is to be eliminated by decreasing the withdrawal immediately following by a corresponding quantity.

Regarding the unsatisfactory conditions of order and cleanliness in which some stores were found - and in particular that at Brindisi - I have ordered that the persons responsible be warned and have given explicit instructions for these undesirable circumstances to be remedied at once and that they shall not re-occur.

for CHIEF OF STAFF

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394

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for CHIEF OF STAFF

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To: - D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
M.M.I.A. ROME.

File Ref: ST/1.

Appendix 'I'.

MIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

<u>Name of Depot inspected.</u>	<u>Date.</u>	<u>Type of Depot: i.e., BULK, DD, POL, or FORAGE.</u>	<u>Name & Rank of Inspecting Officer.</u>
53 Magazzino Viveri, Via Guglielmo MARCONI, BRINDISI.	14/9/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Dtore.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

'Spot-checks' carried out on following items:-
COFFEES, Beans etc. - Tms. 5256.500.

SUGAR.

" 7637.274.

Entries on ST/4
& ST/11 agreed
with actual stock
on hand.

(d). General.

- (i). Ten-Colonello KEALE accompanied me on this visit of inspection.
- (ii). 28 ESD, BRINDISI, was also visited to check on weekly Pack Train for Italian Navy, TARANTO. Capt. Pearce, Officer i/c loading stated that this was proceeding satisfactorily every week.
- (iii). Ref. this office letter ST/2 dated 19 Aug. '45, it is understood that it is planned to hold the proposal to close this Depot down, in abeyance, for the time being, (conversation MAJ. NELSON- CAPT. MONCK-MASON refers.)

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

'Spot-checks' carried out on following items:-
 COTTON, Reputed. - 5152.509. } Entries on ST/4
 " 7697.274. } & ST/11 agreed
 " " } with actual stock
 on hand.

(d); General.

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Signature of
 Inspecting Officer.....

E.L. Munir-Munir

Capt., R.A.S.C.
 LIAISON OFFICE
 LAND FORCE SUB COMM.
 A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

15 SEP 1945

Date.....

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 DADO
 17/12/45
 18/12/45

-S & T, MMIA.

Read 17/12/45
 File ST/ 210

To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A. C., M.M.I.A. ROME.

Appendix '1'.

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MMIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT
ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

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9 Magazzino Mil. Viveri, <u>BARI</u> .	27/8/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Store.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C. ^{20/11}

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

Latest Av. Daily Feeding Strength:

Army:- 11,033
Air Force:- 5631

16,684.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory, but large number of broken barrels, awaiting repair, lying in yard. G.C. Depot (Maj. PADULA) instructed to rectify & have this tidied up.

Depot tends to be rather over-crowded, but this will soon be put right when remainder of WINE and OLIVE OIL, now awaiting shipment to MESTRE, (my signal ST/1300 dated 23 Aug. refers), has been shipped.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

Two 'spot-checks' carried out on P. MEAT & TOMATO PASTE. ST/4's & ST/11's checked and agreed with actual stocks on hand.

(d). GENERAL.

ALL Coffee now being received from 22 CRASC in the form of Beans, is despatched into this Depot for roasting.

Small quantity (328.896 Kgs.) of RICE, returned to Depot from Units, held on charge. Instructed to be held for issue as Hospital Diet Item.

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28 AUG 1945

Date.....

Signature of *E.L. Munro-Mason*
 Inspecting Officer.....
 Capt., R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE
 LAND FORCES SUB COMM.
 A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

"S & T, MBMA.

Recd 30 Aug

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To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A. C., M. M. I. A. Rome.

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51 Magazzino Viv. Via ROSSINI, 60, TARANTO	24/8/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Store.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.
Satisfactory.

Daily Feeding Strengths, as at 21/8/45.

Army: BR-ITI- 2041

ITI-ITI- 852

CCRR * 188

3081.

Air Force: BR-ITI- 1013

US-ITI- 358

1368.

4449.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.
Satisfactory.

Nearly all stocks received ex M'catini Depot when that depot was closed, have been removed from the passage-way, and this Depot is now normal & well run.

(c). Accounting Position.
Satisfactory.

'Spot-checks' made on COFFEE & TOMATO PASTE
Negligible differences found in Issuing Store,
adjusted and taken on charge.

(d). General.

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(ii). Small quantity of RICE, received ex Navy, held in Depot.
(Kgs. 464.111)

Instructed to be returned to BARI D.D., for use as Hospital Item.

(iii). BLANDAMURA Reception Camp have not yet commenced to draw Italian provided items (less Soap, Cigarettes & Matches), but are expected to do so in the near future. Your ST/924 dated 26 Jul refers.

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Signature of

26 AUG 1945

Inspecting Officer.

*E.L. Mun-
Capt.*

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMM

A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.M.I.A. ROME.

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53 Magazzino Viv. Via Guglielmo MARCONI, BRINDISI.	25/8/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Store.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C. <i>Water</i>

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Av. Daily Feeding Str. as at 25/8.

Satisfactory.

Army:- 2995
CCRR:- 387
Brindisi Navy:- 4300*
Air Force:- 4120
11802.

*Only drawing items not held in surplus.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory.

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

'Spot-checks' made on following 2 items:-

P. Meat:- Kgs. 6943.195, Correct. Entries on ST/4 & ST/11 agreed with actual stocks on hand.

Coffee:- " 6797.861, " "

(d). General.

(i)- A visit was made to 28 BSD, BRINDISI, to ensure that loading of pack-train for Italian Navy at TARANTO was proceeding smoothly, as laid down in 22CRASC's 8/74/1 date 21 Aug. 45. (my ST/16/1 of 20 Aug. 45, para. 1a, also refers).

Satisfactory.

Army:- 2995
CCRR:- 387
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(ii)-With reference to the proposed closure of this Depot, letter follows, stating 'pros & cons', together with location statement and strength of units involved, as requested by ADST.

26 AUG 1945

Date.....

Signature of
Inspecting Officer.....

E.L. Munn-Mason
Capt., R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMM

A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

ADST *MM*
Dups *KRN*
SC's' plan *plan*
30 Aug 1945
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To: A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Comm.,
A.C.; (M. M. I. A.) ROME.
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55. Magazzino Mil. Viveri di FOGGIA.	31/8/45.	Food Distribution Depot and Issue Store.	Capt. E. L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C. <i>Neill</i>

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.
Satisfactory.

Feeding Strengths:
ARMY:- BR-ITI- 1038)
US-ITI- 492)
ITI-ITI- 490)
CCRR- 563)
AIR FORCE:- BR-ITI- 1214)
US-ITI- 542)
2573.
1756.
4329.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

As previously reported, existing premises are NOT satisfactory. Reference my ST/2 dated 9 Aug. '45, the situation regarding the new premises at 164-166 Via ALESSANDRO MANZONI, is as follows. Dir. Gen. Comm., 4 Terr. HQ, have requested Commando Genio to make a survey of these premises in regard to necessary repairs to roof, etc. This has been done, and an estimate submitted to S.M.R.E. at War Min. for necessary approval. As the work involved is understood to take at least a month, you are requested to 'hasten' S.M.R.E., so that the work can be put in hand as quickly as possible before the autumn.

(c). Accounting Position.

'SPOT-CHECKS' carried out on 2 items, as under:-
TND.SAUSAGES: 262.300 Kgs. Tally-card (ST/4) and Commodity A/c (ST/11) entries up-to-date, and agreed with actual stock on hand.
*RICE: 1987.964 Kgs. Hospital Diet item.
132.500 " returned by Units.
2130.464 " as per entries on ST/4 & ST/11 agreed with actual.

*Instructed that this item should be agreed with actual.

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(d). General. O i/c Depot seems to making the best of a difficult job with particular regard to premises, marked improvement all round since last inspection.

Signature of Inspecting Officer. E.L. Mamm-Nason

Date.....

1 SEP 1945

Capt., R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUB COMM.

A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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1-ITI- 490) 2573.
CCRR- 553)
AIR FORCE: -BR-ITI- 1214)
US-ITI- 542)

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To:- A.D.S.T., Land Forces SubComm., A.C.
M.M.I.A. ROME.

Com:- M.M.I.A. S & T LO, 54 AREA.

MMIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

"APPENDIX 1"

File Ref. ST/1.

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS

Name of Depot inspected	Date	Type of Depot	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer
9. Deposito Speciale Viveri	6 Sept.	Food Bulk	Capt. E.L.
187. Via RE DAVID, <u>BARI</u>	1945.	Storage Depot	Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector position. SATISFACTORY.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory. Ref. previous report, Tally-cards now in order, and quantities of flour & Pasta, already condemned, now disposed of. Ref. HQ, MMIA's signals ST/989 & ST/991 both dated 5 Sept., it is agreed that there is sufficient storage space to accommodate 800,500 lbs of flour, provided that (a) 22 CRASC suspend delivery of Flour for period 7-13 Sept., & (b) Flour ex Naples is stacked higher in Depot.

(c) Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

Signature of Inspecting Officer

E.L. Monck-Mason

DATE: 6 Sept. '45.

Capt., R.A.S.C.,
Rank Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.M.I.A. 54 Area.

S & T, MMIA.

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TRANSLATION

Translated by Lt. W.R. TREVELYAN
10 August 1945 - 13 Aug

FROM : Ministry of War
TO : Naples Commissariat
INFO : MMIA (your ST/210 of 14 July refers)
Naples Territorial Command

"S & T. MMIA.

Recd 10 Aug

File ST/ 210

On ST/75/2 of 18 June, MMIA asked for the findings on investigations concerning deficiencies during the unloading of tinned meat from 4 railway waggons sent from Naples to Bari Bulk Depot (see copy of report dated 28 May attached). Bari Commissariat has sent us an exhaustive report on the details of the unloading and the action taken (see attached 1308 dated 31 March). Amongst other things the escorts have been interrogated and they have made declarations saying that many packing cases arrived in a bad condition or having been tampered with. Therefore, in order that this does not occur again, we ask you to give the necessary orders for finding out who was responsible for the above deficiencies and to let us know the results as soon as possible. We shall communicate this information to M.M.I.A. Naples Territorial Command, to whom this letter is sent for information, will also see that this is done in the quickest and most accurate manner.

Signed Col. BASILE.

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OGGETTO: Trasporto merci - da Napoli a Bari

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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. AMIA
ROMA-ST/75/2 = 18 GIUGNO 45

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

, e, per conoscenza:

UFFICIALI DI COLLEGAMENTO AMIA A BARI (rif. vs. ST/9/2 del 14.6.45)

ed a Napoli.-

1. Si richiama la vostra attenzione su copia di un certificato redatto da una Commissione del Commissariato di BARI in relazione a deficienze verificatesi durante la spedizione di casse dal 10° Deposito Centrale Viveri al 9° Deposito Centrale Viveri, BARI.
2. L'esame del rapporto vi convincerà che dovrà procedersi ad una indagine accurata per scoprire gli individui responsabili.
3. Vogliate tenere informato questo Comando dei risultati delle vostre indagini.

P. IL T/ COL. RASO. ADDET LFSC.A.C. AMIA

P.to Maggiore Robert Nelson

P. O. C.

LA DIREZIONE C.A.F. DIVISIONE

29 10 1945

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F.to Maggiore Robert Nelson

P. C. C.

IL DIRETTORE CAP. DIVISIONE

La translation of h. 2. 1. A

letter ST/9/2 of 13 June

Leo. F. ...

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DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DI BARI
VERBALE COSTATANTE LO SCARICO DI 4 QUATTRO VAGONI DERRATE E L'APERTURA COLLI

L'anno millenovecentoquarantacinque, addì ventotto del mese di maggio in Bari.

CITAZIONE

SIA NOTO

che il sottoscritto Ten. Comm/lo ALBRICIO MARIO, comandato in data 22/5/1945 dalla Direzione di Commissariato Militare di Bari, a presenziare allo scarico di 4 vagoni derrate inviati dal Deposito Speciale Vivieri di Napoli al Deposito Speciale Vivieri di Bari, ha constatato in contraddittorio coi rappresentanti il Deposito Speciale Vivieri di Bari - quanto segue:

- che i quattro vagoni avevano i seguenti numeri di matricola; 1121545 - 10200038-185812-221879;
- che i vagoni nn. 185812 e 221879 erano spioncati e di tanto si è fatta contestazione alle scorte
- che proceduto all'apertura successiva dei quattro vagoni in parola, le derrate in essi contenute sono risultate stivate senza distinzione di qualità, di imballaggio, di condizionamenti e di libbraggio;
- che molte casse sono risultate disfatte con fuoriscita di barattoli fortemente ammaccati ed altre scondizionate da far fortemente sospettare l'integrità del loro contenuto;
- che da molte scatole di cartone e scatoloni di latta provenivano esalazioni per cui doveva ritenersi indubbio lo stato di avaria della merce in essi contenuta;
- che non essendo possibile procedere ad una esatta ricognizione, catalogazione e discriminazione delle derrate ciglio vagoni, per la mano d'opera ingaggiata a quintalaggio, per le avverse condizioni atmosferiche e per la necessità di rendere al più presto disponibili i vagoni, tutta la merce contenuta nei suddetti quattro vagoni è stata scaricata delimitando il controllo al numero dei colli e trasportata, quindi, in appositi locali dal Deposito isolati e sigillati, per gli ulteriori accertamenti;
- che nei giorni 23-24-25-26-27-28 si è proceduto nei suddetti locali del Deposito Speciale Vivieri di Bari all'apertura dei singoli colli e alla constatazione del loro contenuto;
- che in molte casse, in luogo di scatolette di carne si sono rinvenute sassi, mattonelle; massi di onciavette per aprire scatole, carta compressa e cartone piegato;
- che in molte casse, scatole di cartone e scatole di latta, le scatole o scatolette di carne sono risultate ordinate in senso orizzontale anziché verticali con ammanno di scatole e scatolette in numero vario; che molte scatole e scatolette della diverse qualità di carne rinvenute, sono ri-

quanto segue:

- che i quattro vagoni avevano i seguenti numeri di matricola; 1121545 - 1020038-185812-221879;
- che i vagoni nn. 185812 e 221879 erano spiombati e di tanto si è fatta constatazione alle scorte
- che proceduto all'apertura successiva dei quattro vagoni in parola, le derrate in essi contenute sono risultate stivate senza distinzione di qualità, di imballaggio, di condizionamenti e di libbraggio;
- che molte casse sono risultate disfatte con fuoriscorta di barattoli fortemente ammaccati ed altre scondizionate da far fortemente sospettare l'integrità del loro contenuto;
- che da molte scatole di cartone e scatoloni di latta provenivano esalazioni per cui doveva ritenersi indubbio lo stato di avaria della merce in essi contenuta;
- che non essendo possibile procedere ad una esatta ricognizione, catalogazione e discriminazione delle derrate ciglio vagone, per la meno d'opera ingaggiata a quintalaggio, per le avverse condizioni atmosferiche e per la necessità di rendere al più presto disponibili i vagoni, tutta la merce contenuta nei suddetti quattro vagoni è stata scaricata delimitando il controllo al numero dei colli e trasportata, quindi, in appositi locali del Deposito isolati e sigillati, per gli ulteriori accertamenti;
- che nei giorni 25-24-25-26-27-28 s'è proceduto nei suddetti locali del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari all'apertura dei singoli colli e alla constatazione del loro contenuto;
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- che proceduto ad una accurata selezione, è stato accertato che la carne giunta al Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari ammontava a kg. 54.974,854 mentre il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli nelle bollette di spedizione indicava spediti kg. 55.619;
- che pertanto, vi era in complesso un ammanco in arrivo di kg. 644,156 di carne sciolata;

-che in tale ammontare sono compresi kg. 328,425 di pietra, mattoni interi e spezzati e lapilli rinvenuti nell'apertura dei singoli colli;
 -che nei kg. 54,974,834 di carne scatoletta effettivamente giunta ad assunta in carico dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari, kg. 137,825 sono costituiti di carne avariata e fortemente attaccata da ruggine non commestibile;
 -che di quanto precede si fa atto con l'accolto verbale perche il Deposito Speciale Viveri Bari possa;

- 1°) Regolarizzare opportunamente l'assunzione in carico delle derrate sulla base del quantitativo effettivamente ricevuto;
- 2°) tenere a disposizione della Commissione Alleata di Controllo il quantitativo di carne avariata per gli incombenti di conseguenza;
- 3°) avere - in qualsiasi momento - e per qualsiasi evenienza - elementi dimostrativi della propria gestione e di delimitazione delle proprie responsabilità.

Fatto, letto, chiuso e sottoscritto alla data di cui sopra.-

(Il Ten. Comm. ALBRIZIO MARIO)
 f.to ALBRIZIO MARIO

(Il Ten. Supp./re GIUDALUNI Achille)
 f.to A. Giupaluni

(Il Ten. Col. Supp. SAURA Luigi)
 f.to Luigi Scarpa

Per concordanza

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 IL DIRETTORE CAIO DIVISIONE

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Per concordanza

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f.to A. Cippalunni

(IL Ten. Col. Suss.za SCARPA Luigi)
f.to Luigi Scarpa

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IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Luigi Scarpa

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TRANSLATION

FROM : Bari Commissariat
TO : Ministry of War (ref 13599/S/2 of 19/7/45)
INFO : Bari Territorial Command
REF : 1/17453 of 26 July
SUBJECT : Ration Deficiencies.

In reply to the letter mentioned above herewith findings of investigations by this Directorate concerning the deficiencies discovered and the action taken on the arrival of 4 railway wagons at Bari (nos 1121545, 10200038, 185812, 221879) containing tinned meat from Naples Bulk Depot.

On the 21st May above four wagons arrived at Bari goods yard, addressed to the Bulk Depot, escorted by the following military personnel :

- 1) Wagon n. 221879 - Soldato Bradascio Tommaso from the Campania autonomous labour Company.
- 2) Wagon no. 10200038 - Soldato De Santis Giuseppe from the 10th Supply Coy, Naples
- 3) Wagon no. 185812 - Zungri Gaetano from the 10th Supply Coy, Naples.
- 4) Wagon no 1121545, L/Sgt Tulliani Rinaldo from the Campania autonomous labour Company.

Wagons 185812 and 221879 came unsealed and the escorts were informed of this. When the contents of the wagons were examined in the presence of Lt ALERIZIO MARIO from this Directorate, who had been expressly detailed to examine the case, the rations were found to be stacked without distinction of quality, packing, condition, weight. Many packing cases were broken with the tins falling out, while the smell

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emanating from several other cases left no doubt of the condition of the tins inside. Taking the above into account and also the fact that in practice it would have been impossible to make a thorough check on all the cases in the wagons, the situation was brought to the notice of the escorts, who made out declarations, copies of which are attached. The goods were then taken to the depot and stored in separate premises in order to guarantee a complete examination of every package and to ascertain the exact number of tins which arrived at their destination.

Sergeant Major TALPO Giuseppe and Sgt MANIELLO Michele of the 9th Supply Unit assisted in the examination of each wagon; and made out the declarations as attached. Soldato Brandascio asserted that he found a new brick weighing about 3 Kgs instead of tins of meat in a tin case (an old petrol tin).

Soldato De Santis Giuseppe made a declaration in which it was revealed that many packages were sent in a bad condition with the tins very battered and of different weights, thus necessitating the opening of all the packages. Moreover he recounted how the Lieutenant 2 1/c of 1270 depot ordered him on his departure to take the broken packages as well, notwithstanding his remonstrations.

Practically the same declarations were made by the other two military escorts, soldato ZUNGERI and 1/Sgt TULLIANI. The opening of all the cases was begun on the 23rd May and finished on the 28th May with the results described in the report sent to Naples Bulk Depot, in accordance with The Ministry of War.

Instructions in their 1308/Sit dated 31 March "accounting and Administration by territorial establishments in respect of bread and rations", which at para b) establishes that "the officer i/c who sends the goods and not the officer who receives them is responsible for taking the necessary action to make good the damage etc."

On May 26 in letter 1/12453 (copy attached we sent a report on the deficiencies in question to Naples, with a copy to the Ministry.

On June 9th in letter 13629 (copy attached) we sent another a copy of the above report to Naples Directorate, informing it that Allied Officers had visited our Bulk Depot and had confirmed the results ~~thereof~~ of the investigations, and had asked for a copy of the report.

Thus all investigations possible have been brought to an end is the manner prescribed, and Naples Commissariat Directorate will be able to gather and supply more important evidence for the inquiring as to why, as stated by the escorts, several damaged cases were allowed to be sent off.

Signed Giuseppe Occhipinti Col.

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APPENDIX 3

Statement by Soldato BRADASCIO TOMMASO of the Campania Autonomous Labour Company, escorting meat in wagon 221879.

I the undersigned declare that in my presence Sgt. MANIELLO MICHELE at the unloading of the above wagon saw and agreed that a new brick weighing about 3 kgs was found in an old petrol tin instead of tins of meat. This tin was wrapped in cardboard and machine-fastened with wire, like all the others I have escorted.

Sgt. MICHELE BRADASCIO
soldato di scorta

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APPENDIX 4

Evidence by Soldato De Santis Giuseppe, escort of wagon 1020038.

I the undersigned declare that I was the escort of the above wagon until its arrival at BARI, and that I assisted at the opening of the wagons and the examination of their contents in the presence of Sgt-Major TALPO GIUSEPPE and the Commissariat Officer.

There were numerous packages in a bad condition and some of their contents were missing. The packages contained tins of different weights, thus necessitating the opening of all packages to establish the exact quantity, qualities, and different weights.

I refused to take the broken packages, but I was ordered to accept them by the Lieutenant i/c at 1220 Depot Naples.

Signed with a cross

Witnesses /s/ Talpo Giuseppe
 /s/ Fiore Luigi

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APPENDIX 5

Statement By Soldato ZUNGRI GAETANO of the 10th Supply Company, escort to wagon no. 185812 loaded with meat sent from NAPLES to BARI.

I declare that I received the wagon sealed and that I unsealed it so as to be able to shelter myself and my other companions, as soldato BRADASCIO TOMMASO had to do. Many of the cases were broken and damaged, with tins missing and musty and in a very poor condition. The cases contained different numbers of tins of different quantities of meat of different weights. Some tins were empty or falling out of the cases. On account of all this it was not possible to find out the exact number of tins. From the quality of the meat and the actual weight of the broken cases I have been able to state the 6 little tins are missing. When I left NAPLES, I did not refuse any package because they were in a bad condition. The wagons were unloaded on the 22nd May as were the other 3 wagons on a day of exceptional heat, caused by the African Ghibli.

Sgd. GAETANO ZUNGRI

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APPENDIX 6

Statement by L/Sgt TULLIANI RINALDO of the Autonomous Labour Company of Campania, escort to wagon 1121545.

I the undersigned declare that the above wagon was consigned sealed and that in the presume of Sgt-Major TALPO GIUSEPPE I took in charge 914 cases, of which 31 were in a bad condition and tampered with. To verify this it will be necessary to take each case separately to find out the actual deficiencies. The tins are very damaged and the 31 cases are in a bad condition and have different weights, thus necessitating an inspection of all the cases. I reported the 31 damaged cases and refused to take them. But the lieutenant 2i/c of the 1270 Depot ordered me to take them.

ANNEX 7

FROM : BARI Commissariat
TO : NAPLES Commissariat
INFO : Ministry of War
1/12453/Viv
26 May 45

SUBJECT:-- Wagonloads of meat from NAPLES.

On May 22nd 4 wagons of meat from NAPLES Bulk Depot arrived BARI station for the Bulk Depot, in accordance with orders from MIA.

Despite the fact that two of the said wagons arrived unsealed, BARI Depot found it extremely difficult to receive goods stored without distinction of quality or weight and in bad condition. We have therefore considered it necessary to detail an officer from this Directorate to check them as a representative of the senior.

According to the above officer there are in a wagon up to 10 qualities and different weights, while many have arrived in a bad condition with tins falling out and very damaged. In some of the packages of tins of meat bricks and stones have been found, and quite often some of the tins have gone bad.

All this has greatly hindered unloading operations, while it is well known that the railway authorities are keen to empty the wagons in the shortest time possible.

Therefore it was necessary to take everything to the Depot for an accurate checking by opening every single package, in order to ascertain the various types of meat received and actual weights. As soon as we have finished these operations, we shall transmit the results to you in detail.

We inform you of this so that such inconveniences to the detriment of the Service be eliminated in the future.

Sgd. Angelo La Zara Col.

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APPENDIX 8

FROM : BARI Commissariat Directorate 1st Section

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TO : BARI Commissariat Directorate

9 June 45

SUBJECT:- Report on the deficiencies and bad condition of the tinned meat sent in four wagons from NAPLES.

For your information herewith report compiled by BARI Bulk Depot dated 28 May, in respect to the deficiencies and bad condition of the tinned meat sent in four wagons from NAPLES. As ordered in 2215/Sit from the Ministry of War, the depot has already arranged to send us the same document.

We send you, moreover, six copies of evidence given by the military escorts.

We take the opportunity of informing you that during the unloading and checking of the packages, the BARI Depot had a visit from the local MMIA IO, who took a copy of the report to send it on to MMIA ROME.

Sgt. Angelo La Zara Col.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Navy Sub Commission APO 394.

NSC/3206
10th August, 1945.

From : Navy Sub Commission, Hq., Allied Commission.
To : Ministry of Marine, Rome.

Subject : Inspection of Italian Navy Depots.

19 The enclosed copy of Military Mission to the Italian Army's letter No. ST/210 dated 5th August 1945, is forwarded for information and appropriate action in continuation of Navy Sub Commission's letter No. NSC/3205 of the 9th August, 1945.

2. The inclination to over stock Allied rations in Italian Naval Food bulk Depots, and the general unsatisfactory and dirty condition of these Depots at Brindisi, Palermo and Augusta in particular, is to be deplored.

3. While the action taken in the ultimate paragraph of Ministry of Marine's letter No. SM.15453 dated 30th July, 1945 is appreciated, it is requested that immediate instructions be issued to all Italian Royal Navy bases concerned in order to rectify these deficiencies, emphasising that greater care and attention should be given to the maintenance and efficiency of these depots and that a higher standard of cleanliness should be maintained and a better storage system implemented.

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 13 Aug
File ST/ 210

H. W. ZIROLL
COMMODORE, U. S. NAVY,
FOR REAR ADMIRAL,
CHIEF, NAVY SUB COMMISSION.

(Copy to : Military Mission to the Italian Army.)

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SUBJECT :- Inspection of Italian Navy Depots.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/210

Navy Sub Commission AG.

5 Aug 45.

Copy to :- MMIA LO BARI.

1. Forwarded herewith report of inspection by MMIA LO BARI of the Italian Navy Food Distribution Depot on 31 July, 1945.
2. Information contained therein is for your information and appropriate action.
3. MMIA LO BARI will take action, para a, Inspection Report concerning surplus rations.

Lt.Col.RASC.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Commission AG. (MMIA)

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020MCIA SGT LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT
ON VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOTAppendix '1'
File Ref: SE/1

<u>Name of Depot</u> <u>Inspected</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Depot:-</u> <u>i.e., BULK, D.D.,</u> <u>P.O.L., or FORAGE</u>	<u>Rank and Name of</u> <u>Inspecting Officer.</u>
<u>MAGAZZINO VIVERI DELLA</u> <u>MARINA DI BRINDISI</u> (Italian Royal Navy Depot Brindisi.)	31/7/45	Food and Bulk Depot and issue stores; Ain bakery.	Capt. E. L. MURK-MASON RASO Ten. MORINI, 66 Dir. Comm. 9 Terr. Hq. and Ten. CINQUE (Interpreting) accompanied.

- (a) Maintenance of Stock Position: Average daily feeding str. - 4,000 to 4,500. As in case of Navy Depot, TARANTO, this depot has been holding large surpluses of nearly all items of the Allied portion of the Italian Ration Scale. 61/G. Depot (Capt. PETROBELLI, Luigi), who escorted us round the depot, stated that on 28 July, approx. 14,7000 balanced rations were held in this depot. Taking into consideration, say, 75000 Rations (15-days x 5000) as a maximum reserve permissible, this still leave a surplus of 72000 rations to be absorbed. A detailed statement certifying number of rations held as at 5 AUG; (the end of current period has been requested to be forwarded to Dir. Comm. 9 Terr. Hq. (BARI), so that necessary adjustments and balances can be effected. Copy of this statement will be forwarded to you when received, together with details of items to be suspended from next issues.
- (b) Physical Warehousing Position: In the opinion of the undersigned, this was far from satisfactory when compared with standards existing in Italian Army Depots. The following points were observed:
- (i) in the issuing store, extremely untidy and dirty (possibly due to day's issues just being finished). Old tins & boxes lying behind issuing counter.
 - (ii) No apparent system of stacking and ventilating commodities. No Tally-Cards of any description evident. Two dogs had been permitted to make their home and to produce a family in one store.
 - (iii) It would have been impossible to have carried out a spot-check in view of bad stacking, etc: (see (i) above.)
- (c) Accounting Position: Recommended that MCIA accounting procedure and forms be adopted
- (d) General: Appointment to visit this depot was made by telephone 1-hour previous to arrival at the premises. As stated above 2 i/c accompanied us round.

Date 1 AUG '45

(Sgd.) E. L. MURK-MASON Capt. R. A. S. C.

MCIA, Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C., (M.M.I.A.)
(2 Copies). ROME.



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Al LA DIREZIONE DI COMANDO DEL C/DO
MIL. TERR. DI NAPOLI

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OGGETTO: Assenza di derrate.-

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA LAND FORCES SUP COMMISSION A.S. (MIA)
(rif. foglio ST/210 del 14 luglio c.a.)
AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI NAPOLI

R O M A

N. 3400

Con foglio ST/75/2 del 18 giugno c.a., la Commissione Alleata ha qui trasmesso, perché si proceda all'accertamento delle responsabilità, copia di un verbale redatto il 28 maggio a.s. in relazione agli annunci riscontrati durante lo scarico della carne scatola spedita, in quattro vagoni ferroviari, dal Deposito Speciale Vivani di Napoli a quello di Bari (vedi allegam. 1 e 2).-

La Direzione di Commissariato di Bari, all'uopo interessata, ha esaudientemente riferito a questo Ministero sullo svolgimento delle operazioni di scarico e sui provvedimenti da essa adottati in ottemperanza alla circolare n. 1308 in data 31 marzo c.a. (vedere allegato n. 3).

Fra l'altro, sono stati interrogati i militari di scorta, i quali hanno dichiarato che colti colli vennero consegnati alla stazione di partenza già acondizionati o addirittura ammuffiti.

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Pertanto, si prega codesta Direzione di commissariato di impartire, qualora non sia stato ancora fatto, le necessarie disposizioni per l'accertamento delle responsabilità in ordine ai suddetti ammanchi e di rendere noti al più presto possibile i risultati dell'accertamento stesso a questo Ministero, che, a sua volta, dovrà comunicarli alla M.M.I.A.

Il Comando Militare territoriale di Napoli, cui il presente disaccio è diretto per conoscenza, vorrà anch'esso interessarsi per la più accurata e sollecita definizione della pratica.

p. IL DIRETTORE GENERALE a.p.s.

L'ISPETTORE GENERALE

Si prega bollare per ogni lettera un solo argomento e indicare nella risposta al V. C. l'indirizzo e la Direzione a cui si risponde.

REGIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI BARI
I^a Sezione

n. 17453 di prot.

Risposta al foglio del 19/7/1945 n. 13599/8/2

OGGETTO: Ammanchi derrate.

Bari li 26 luglio 1945

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - D.G.S.G.A.
Divisione Sussistenza

e, per conoscenza:
P.M. 3800

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE
S.M. - Servizi -

B A R I

A pronto riscontro del dispaccio surripetuto, la scrivente compie il dovere di riferire in merito agli accertamenti eseguiti, per quanto di competenza di questa Direzione, circa gli ammanchi e le sostituzioni constatate all'atto dell'arrivo a Bari dei quattro vagoni ferroviari n. 1121545-10200038-185812 e 221879 contenenti carichi sciolati spediti dal Deposito Speciale Viver di Napoli.

Il giorno 21 maggio giungevano allo scalo ferroviario di Bari, all'indirizzo del Deposito Speciale Viveri, i quattro vagoni suddetti scortati dai seguenti militari:

1°) vagone n. 221879 - soldato Bracciolio Tommaso della Compagnia Autonoma manovalanza della Campania;

2°) vagone n. 10200038 - soldato De Santis Giuseppe della 10^a compagnia Sussistenza di Napoli;

3°) vagone n. 185812 Zangari Gaetano della 10^a Compagnia Sussistenza di Napoli;

4°) vagone n. 1121545 - caporale maggiore Tulliani Rinaldo della Compagnia Autonoma manovalanza della Campania; =

I vagoni n. 185812 e 221879 giunsero sudombati e di tanto si fece conte-stazione alle scorte. =

Procedutosi all'esame dei colli esistenti nei vagoni, alla presenza del Tenente Commissario Albrizio Mario di questa Direzione, espressamente comanda-to per le constatazioni del caso, le derrate risultarono stivate senza distin-zione di qualità, di imballaggio, di condizionamento e di libbraggio e molte cas-se erano disfatte con fuoriuscita di barattoli, mentre numerose altre casse emanavano esalazioni che non lasciavano dubbi sullo stato di avaria delle sca-tolette contenutevi. =

Stante tale disordine, e tenuto conto che un esame minuzioso di tutti i colli su ogni vagone sarebbe stato praticamente impossibile, dove aver fatto

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I vagoni n. 185812 e 221879 giunsero spediti e di tanto si fece constatazione alle scorte. =

Precedutosi all'esame dei colli esistenti nei vagoni, alla presenza del Tenente Commissario Albrizio Mario di questa Direzione, espressamente comandato per le constatazioni del caso, le derrate risultarono stivate senza distinzione di qualità, di imballaggio, di condizionamento e di libbraggio e molte casse erano disfatte con fuoriuscita di barattoli, mentre numerose altre casse emanavano esalazioni che non lasciavano dubbi sullo stato di avaria delle scatole contenutevi. =

Stante tale disordine, e tenuto conto che un esame minuzioso di tutti i colli su ciglio vagone sarebbe stato praticamente impossibile, dopo aver fatto constatare tutto ciò alle scorte, le quali rilasciarono le dichiarazioni che si allegano in copia, la merce fu trasportata in magazzino e stivata in un locale appartato onde avere maggiore garanzia nel controllo minuzioso che si imponeva, passa per cassa, al fine di accertare l'esatta consistenza de

con barattoli fortemente ammaccati e di differente libbraggio per cui si rendeva necessario l'apertura di tutti i colli.

recisò inoltre che in parte za il Tenente sub Consegnatario del Deposito 1270 gli imose, nonostante le sue rimostranze, di caricare anche le casse rotte.

Pressochè analoghe dichiarazioni rilasciarono gli altri due militari di scorta soldato Zungri e caporale maggiore Tulliani. - Le operazioni di apertura di tutti i colli vennero iniziate il giorno 23 maggio e portate a termine il 28 dello stesso mese con i risultati descritti nell'unito verbale che venne trasmesso al Deposito. Speciale Viveri di Napoli, in obbedienza alle disposizioni impartite da codesto Ministero con circolare a stampa numero 1308/311. in data 31 marzo 1945 all'oggetto "gestione contabile-amministrativa degli stabilimenti territoriali per il servizio del pane e dei viveri" la quale, al comma b) dell'allegato, stabilisce "il consegnatario spenditore, e non il ricevente, è tenuto a provocare tramite le autorità da cui esso dipende lo svolgimento delle pratiche necessarie per l'eventuale ricambio dei danni ecc."

In data 26 maggio c.a. con foglio n. 11/12455, che si allega in copia (allegato n. 7), la scrivente trasmise alla consorella di Napoli e per conoscenza a codesto Ministero, una relazione di mandante gli ammanchi in parola. -

Successivamente in data 9 giugno, con foglio n. 1/13629 (allegato n. 8) questa direzione trasmise a quella di Napoli altra copia del verbale su detto, informandola che gli Uffici di Allesti in visita al dipendente Deposito avendo constatato i risultati degli accertamenti, sono a richiedere una copia del verbale medesimo. -

Così stando i fatti, la scrivente ritiene che tutti gli accertamenti di sua competenza siano stati portati a termine nel modo prescritto e che la Direzione di Commissariato Militare di Napoli potrà raccogliere e fornire elementi probatori più importanti ai fini della istruttoria, in quanto, anche dalle dichiarazioni delle scorte, appare come in partenza essi abbiano constatato la presenza di numerosi colli scondizionati. -

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
F.to Giuseppe Cocchiapinti

P. C. C.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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allegato n.1 al foglio L/17101 del 26/7/45

OTTIMO

DEMISSIONE del sergente maggiore TALPO Giuseppe testimonio allo scarico dei due vagoni 1121545 e 1020038 carichi di carne spediti da Napoli e giunti scaricati a Bari, il 22 Maggio 1945. =

Dichiaro e i due vagoni suindicati sono giunti spiombati con molti colli rotti - deformati - con scatolette in meno - con barattoli fortemente ammaccati - con latte contenenti differente numero di barattoli, per cui non si può definire il quantitativo né il libbraggio. Che infine per tutto le ragioni suindicate deve rivedersi o scaper casa per poter esattamente precisare quanto si è ricevuto ciglio vagone. =

Bari, 22 maggio 1945

IL SERGENTE MAGGIORE DI SUSSIDENZA

T/to Talpo Giuseppe

L. C. C.

IL DIRUTTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Carlini

il Portamento s'accontti - con latte consentiti differente numero di
barattoli, per cui non si può definire il quantitativo nè il libbraggio.
Che infine per tutte le ragioni suindicate deve rivedersi casaper casa
per poter esattamente precisare quanto si è ricavato ciglio vagone. =

Bari, 22 maggio 1945

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IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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IL SERGENTE MAGGIORE DI RUSSISTANZA

F/to Talpo Giuseppe

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(allegato n. 2 al foglio n. 1/12101 del 26/7/45.)

DEPOSIZIONE del sergente Maniello, testimone allo scarico dei due vagoni.
n. 185912 = 221879 carichi di carne spediti da Napoli e giunti
e scaricati a Bari il 2 maggio 1945.

Dichiaro che i due vagoni su indicati sono giunti spiombati con molti
occhi rotti, deformati, con scatolette in meno, con barattoli fortemente ammaccati,
con barattoli ammuffiti, con latte contenenti differente numero di barattoli,
per cui non può definire il quantitativo né il libbraggio, in una cassa
di cui si è fatta prendere in visione alla scorta del vagone 22-1879 soldato
Campi Antonio della Compagnia Manovalanza e ~~Eda~~ ^{Eda} ~~Adascio~~ ^{Adascio} Tommaso, venne trovata
una mattonella del peso di circa tre chili al posto di barattoli di carne, ciò
che non esclude se ne possono trovare altri, che infine tutte le ragioni suin-
dicate deve rivedersi cassa per cassa per poter esattamente precisare quanto
si è ricevuto per ogni vagone.

Bari, 22 maggio 1945

IL SERGENTE DI CASSIERIA

F.to Maniello Michele

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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e scaricati a Bari il 2 maggio 1945.

Dichiaro che i due vagoni su indicati sono giunti spiombati con molti
collari rotti, deformati, con scatole in meno, con barattoli fortemente ammaccati,
con barattoli ammuffiti, con latte contenenti differente numero di barattoli,
per cui non può definire il quantitativo né il libbraggio, in una cassa
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una mattonella del peso di circa tre chili al posto di barattoli di carne, ciò
che non esclude se ne possono trovare altri, che infine tutte le ragioni suin-
dicate deve rivedersi cassa per cassa per poter esattamente precisare quanto
si è ricevute per ogni vagone.

Bari, 22 maggio 1945

IL SERGENTE DI SOSTITENZA

F.to Mariello Michelo

P. O. O.

IL DIRUTTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Ad. T. Teo

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(alleg. n. 3 e f. n. 1/17 del 26-7-45)

OGGETTO

Dichiarazione del soldato Compagnia Autonoma Manovalanza della Compagnia
Bradascio Tommaso, scorta al vagone 221879 di carne.

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di aver in mia presenza al Sergente di Sussisten-
za MANINELLO Michele addetto allo scarico del vagone suindicato visto e
costatato che in un cassa (da petrolio) di latta ansionè trovarsi dei
barattoli di carne fu trovato una mattonella nuova del peso di chili tre
circa. Che tale cassa di latta come tutte le altre che ho scortato, era
avvolta in cartone e chiusa con un filo di ferro a macchina.

Parl, 22 maggio 1945

il soldato di scorta
P.to Bradascio Michele

P. O. C.

IL DIRUTTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Adi. Nicolini

BRANCIO ROMANO, scorta al vagone 213, di carne.

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di aver in mia presenza al Sergente di Sussistono
za MAHINILLO Michele addetto allo sez. cc del vagone suindicato visto e
costatato che in un cassa (da petrolio) di latte anzichè trovarsi dei
barattoli di carne fu trovato una mattonella nuova del peso di chili tre
circa, che tale cassa di latte come tutte le altre che ho scortato, era
avvolta in cartone e chiusa con un filo di ferro a macchina.

Lazi, 22 maggio 1945

Il soldato di scorta
S. to Bradascio Michele

P. C. C.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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allegato n.4 al foglio n.1/17101 del 26-7-45

OTTEDDO

DICHIARAZIONE Del soldato del 10° Snesistenza di Napoli DE SANTIS Giuseppe di scorta al vagone 1020035.-

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di scorta al vagone suindicato di averlo consegnato alla arrivo a Bari e di averalla presenza del Sergente Maggiore Talpo Giuseppe oltre all'ufficiale Commissario addetto all'apertura dei vagoni e loro contenuto, constatato di aver consegnato numerosi colli scondiziionati e mancanti del contenuto con barattoli fortemente ammaccati e con latte contenenti barattoli di differente libbraaggio per cui occorre sia proceduto all'apertura di tutti i colli per stabilire con esattezza il quantitativo la qualità e differente libbraaggi. Che le casse rotte rifiutate dal sottoscritto gli venne impesto dal Tenente sub Conservatorio di Napoli del Deposita 1270 di accettarle

Il soldato di scorta

segno di croce

Testi: F.to Talpo Giuseppe

Piore Luigi

D. C. C.

IL DIRIGENTE CAPO DIVISIONE

Cap. Talpo

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di scorta al vagone suindicato di averlo consegnato alla arrivo a Bari e di averalla presenza del Sergente Maggiore Falpo Giuseppe oltre all'ufficiale Commissario addetto all'apertura dei vagoni e loro contenuto , constatato di aver consegnato numerosi colli scondiziati e mancanti del contenuto con barattoli fortemente ammaccati e con latte contenenti barattoli di differente libbraggio per cui occorre sia proceduto all'apertura di tutti i colli per stabilire con esattezza il quantitativo la qualità e differente libbraggi. Che le casse rotte rifiutate dal sottoscritto gli venne imposto dal Tenente sub Consegretario di Magoli del Depositi 1270 di accettarle

Il soldato di scorta

segno di croce

Testi: F.to Falpo Giuseppe

Piero Luigi

P. C. C.

IL SINDACATO CATO DIVISIONE

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(alleg. n. 5 all. u. 1/12101 del 25.7.43)

Dichiarazione del soldato della 10^a Compagnia sussistenza Zu Gri Casetano di scorta al vagone n° 185612 carico di carne spedito da Napoli a Bari.

Dichiaro di aver ricevuto il vagone piombato e di averlo spionato per potermi riparare in uno agli altri miei compagni come ha dovuto fare la scorta soldato Bradascio Tommaso di aver consegnati molti colli rotti molti barattoli deformati, con scatolette in meno, con barattoli fortemente ammaccati, con barattoli ammuffiti, con latte contenenti differenti numero di barattoli di differente qualità di carne e differenti libbraggi e qualche barattolo vuoto o mezzo rovesciato nella cassa, che per tutto il disordine da me stesso constatato non era possibile a ciglio vagone di poterlo fare all'esatta precisazione del numero dei barattoli, delle qualità di carne e dell'effettivo libbraggio dalle casse rotte ho potuto constatare n° 6 scatolette piccole mancanti, che alla partenza non ho rifiutato alcuna cassa perché male sconsigliata, che le operazioni di servizio alla ferrovia sono avvenute il 22 maggio come per gli altri tre vagoni in una giornata di eccezionale calore causa al ghibbi africano.

IL COLONATO

7 to VITERBI CASIANO

P. C. C.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Ad. T. T. T.

Dichiaro di aver ricevuto il vagone piombato e di averlo spiombato per poterlo riparare in uno agli altri miei compagni come ha dovuto fare la scorta soldato Bradascio Tommaso di aver consegnati molti colli rotti molti barattoli deformati, con scatolette in meno, con barattoli fortemente ammaccati, con barattoli ammuffiti, con latte contenenti differenti numero di barattoli di differente qualità di carne e differenti libbraggi e qualche barattolo vuoto e messo rovesciato nella cassa, che per tutto il disordine da me stesso constatato non era possibile a ciglio vagone di poter procedere all'esatta precisazione del numero dei barattoli, della qualità di carne e dell'effettivo libbraggio dalle casse rotte ho potuto constatare n° 6 scatolette piccole mandati, che alla partenza non ho rifiutato alcuna cassa perché male scondizionata, che le operazioni di scarico alla ferrovia sono avvenute il 22 maggio come per gli altri tre vagoni in una giornata di eccezionale calore causa il griglia africano.

IL SOLDATO

F.to ZINGRI GASTANO

P. O. O.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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(allegato n. 6 al f. n. 1/17101 del 26-7-45)

OCCORRENZA

Richiesta del cap. magg. della Compagnia Autonoma Manovalanza
Compania Tulliani Rinaldo di scorta al vagone n° 1121545.-

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di aver consegnato il vagone suddetto pioni-
nato e di aver alla presenza del serg. magg. Falpo Giuseppe constatato
di aver consegnati tutti i colli ricevuti in partenza fra i qua-
li ve ne erano 31 scondizionati e manomessi per i quali la verifica
deve essere eseguita aprendo cassa per cassa non potendo esattamente
stabilire gli eventuali ammucchi, con barattoli fortemente ammuc-
cati, con le 31 latte scondizionate e mancanti del contenuto e di
diversa libbra per cui occorre sia fatta una verifica aprendo
tutte le casse. Dalle 31 casse di latte scondizionate ho fatto regola-
re rapporto in partenza rifiutandone il caricamento che mi è stato
imposto dal Tenente sub-Consegnatario del Deposito n° 1270.

Il Cap. le magg. re di scorta
R/to Tulliani Rinaldo

P. G. G.

DIRETTORE CAFE DIVISIONE

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Campania Tulliani Rinaldo di scorta al vagone n° 121543.

Dichiaro io sottoscritto di aver consegnato il vagone suddetto pieno e di aver alla presenza del serg. magg. Talpo Giuseppe constatato di aver consegnati tutti i colli ricevuti in partenza fra i quali ve ne erano 31 scondizionati e manomessi per i quali la verifica deve essere eseguita aprendo cassa per cassa non potendo esattamente stabilire gli eventuali ammocchi, con barattoli fortemente ammocchiati, con le 31 latte scondizionate e mancanti del contenuto e di differente libbraggio per cui occorre sia fatta una ceruita aprendo tutte le casse. Dalle 31 casse di latte scondizionate ho fatto regolare rapporto in partenza rifiutandone il caricamento che mi è stato imposto dal Tenente sub-Consegnatario del Deposito n° 1270.

Il Cap. le Magg. re di scorta
F/to Tulliani Rinaldo

S. C. O.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE



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DIREZIONE GENERALE ARMI E MATERIALI

Chg. u. l. al. f. n. 1/17.10.1 del
26/7/45

OTTIMO

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI BARI
DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO I^a SEZIONE

Bari, 14 26 maggio 1945

N. 1/12453/Viv. di prot.

O G G E T T O : Vagoni carne giunti a Napoli.

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE

NAPOLI

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - D.G.S.C.M.

Divisione Assistenza di

ROMA

In data 22 corrente mese, sono giunti allo scalo di Bari, destinati al Deposito Speciale Viveri, 4 vagoni di carne spediti dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli in seguito ad ordine verbale della E.M.I.

Premesso che due di detti vagoni sono arrivati spiombati, il Deposito di Bari si è trovato nel difficilissimo compito di dover ricevere carate stivate senza distinzione di qualità, di diverso libraggio e di insufficiente condizionamento, per cui si è reso neces-

Bari, 14 26 maggio 1943

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ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIO MILITARE

NAPOLI

e, per conoscenza:

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - D.G.S.C.M.

Divisione Assistenza di

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Premesso che due di detti vagoni sono arrivati spionbati, il Deposito di Bari si è trovato nel difficilissimo compito di dover rilevare derrate stivate senza distinzione di qualità, di diverso libraggio e di insufficiente condizionamento, per cui si è reso necessario comandare sul posto un ufficiale di questa Direzione per la constatazione in rappresentanza della parte mittente."

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A quanto riferito il suddetto Ufficiale in un vagone si sono constate fino a 10 qualità e libbraggi differenti, mentre molti col-

~~li sono stati spionbati~~

14 sono stati rinvenuti scondizionati con farruscia di barattoli for-
temente ammaccati. In diversi colli al posto di scatole di carne
sono state trovate mattonelle e sassi e non piccolo risulta il quanti-
tativo di scatole di carne che si ritengono avariato.

Quanto sopra ha ostacolato notevolmente le operazioni di scarico
mentre è nota la premura che viene fatta dagli organi ferroviari
per lo smontamento dei vagoni nel più breve tempo possibile.

Pertanto si è reso necessario trasportare il tutto in Deposito per
poter procedere - previa apertura di ogni singolo collo - ad una accu-
ta selezione, alla ricognizione delle diverse qualità ricevute e alla
determinazione, del peso effettivo. Non appena tali operazioni saranno ul-
timate, sarà trasmessa dettagliata relazione.

Tanto si rappresenta per conoscenza e per i provvedimenti di compe-
tenza di codesta Direzione, allo scopo di eliminare, per l'avvenire, tali
inconvenienti che si risolvono a tutto danno del servizio.

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE

F.to Anacleto La Zera

P. C. O.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

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tativo di scatolette di carne che si ritengono avariate.-

Quanto sopra ha ostacolato notevolmente le operazioni di scarico mentre è nota la premura che viene fatta dagli organi ferroviari per lo svuotamento dei vagoni nel più breve tempo possibile.

Per tanto si è reso necessario trasportare il tutto in Deposito per poter procedere - previa apertura di ogni singolo collo - ad una accurata selezione, alla ricognizione delle diverse qualità ricevute e alla determinazione del peso effettivo. Non appena tali operazioni saranno ultimata, sarà trasmessa dettagliata relazione.

Tanto si rappresenta per conoscenza e per i provvedimenti di competenza di codesta Direzione, allo scopo di eliminare, per l'avvenire, tali inconvenienti che si risolvono a tutto danno del servizio.

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IL COLONNELLO COMISSARIO DIRETTORE

P/ro Angelo La Zera

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ALLEGATO N. 8 al foglio N. 1/17/01 del 26-7-45

DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE OTTIDORO
TERRITORIALE DI BARI

1^a Sezione

N. 1/15429 di prot.

Bari, 4 giugno 1945

Oggetto: Verbale constatante ammanco ed avaria di carne scotolata
giunta in quattro vagoni da Napoli.

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE
TERRITORIALE DI B A R I

Per informazione, si compie il verbale compilato presso il
dipendente Deposito Speciale Vivori di Bari in data 28 maggio .S.
per il motivo di cui all'oggetto, significando che, come disposto
dal dispaccio Ministeriale n. 2215/Sit. del 15 maggio u.s. il detto
Deposito ha già provveduto a trasmettere a quello mittente, di sede-
sta sede, analogo documento .-

Si trasmettono altresì sei copie di dichiarazioni rilasciate
da militari di scorta.

Con l'occasione si comunica che durante le operazioni di intro-
duzioni e di verifica dei colli, il deposito di Bari ha avuto la visi-
ta dell'Ufficiale Alleato addetto al locale Comando in cui il quale

N. 1/15529 di prot.

Bari, 9 giugno 1945

Oggetto: Verbale costante ammesso ed avaria di carne ecotolista giunta in quattro vagoni da Napoli.-

ALLA DIREZIONE DI COMISSARIATO MILITARE

TERRITORIALE DI B A R I

Per informazione, si compie il verbale compilato presso il dipendente Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari in data 28 maggio o.s. per il motivo di cui all'oggetto, significando che, come disposto dal dispaccio ministeriale n. 2215/Sit. del 16 maggio u.s. il detto Deposito ha già provveduto a trasmettere a quello mittente, di codesta sede, analogo documento.-

Si trasmettono altresì nel copia di dichiarazioni rilasciate dai militari di scorta.

Con l'occasione si comunica che durante le operazioni di introduzioni e di verifica dei colli, il deposito di Bari ha avuto la visita dell'Ufficiale Allente addetto al locale Comando M.T. il quale ha preteso una copia del verbale per inviarla alla M.H.I.A. di Roma.

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IL GIOIELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE

F.to Angelo La Jara

F. O. O.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE

Adolfo

To:- A.D.S.T. Land Force's Sub-Commission,
A.C. M.M.I.A. ROES.

APPENDIX 1

File Ref: ST/1.

MILIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS

Name of Depot inspected	Date	Type of Depot i.e. Bulk, D.D. P.O.L. OR Forage	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer
90 Deposito Speciale Viveri, BARI	6 Aug. 1945.	Bulk Depot.	Capt. E.L. ^{used} Monck-Mason ^{3/16} R.A.S.C. ^{3/16}

(Via RE DAVID. 186.)

(a) Maintenance of Sector position.

Satisfactory.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory.

Tenente CIPPALUNI reprimanded for failure to keep Tally - cards properly.

19 repacked Tin Cases, containing MARMALADE, received ex 46 BSD in error for P.M.EAT. Agreed to take up.

Quantity of condemned Flour and Pasta still awaiting disposal by sale, as recommended by Commission: agreed to take up with D/Comm.

(c) Accounting Position.

'SPOT CHECKS' made on following items:-

(1) TINNED CHEESE: 153 x 56-lbs cases.- Kgs. 3881. 304

Totals agreed with entries on Commodity A/c (ST/11) after including Kgs. 486.856. awaiting condemnation: Tally-Card however had not been brought up-to-date: rectified forthwith.

(ii) TINNED FISH: After bringing 3 out of 5 Tally-cards up-to-date

and checking actual Stock held against entry on ST/11, a discrepancy of Kgs. 207. 268 was found. Tenente stated this was accounted for by error in Bulk issue to ORTONA Depot. Full Report to be rendered so that Comm. A/c can be adjusted and properly initialled by me.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory.

Tenente CIPPALUNI reprimanded for failure to keep Tally - cards properly. 19 repacked Tin Cases, containing MARMALADE, received ex 46 BSD in error for P. MEAT. Agreed to take up.

Quantity of condemned Flour and Pasta still awaiting disposal by sale, as recommended by Commission: agreed to take up with D/Comm.

(c) Accounting Position.

'SPOT CHECKS' made on following items:-

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- (11) TINNED FISH: After bringing 3 out of 5 Tally-cards up-to-date and checking actual Stock held against entry on ST/11, a discrepancy of Kgs. 207. 268 was found. Tenente stated this was accounted for by error in Bulk issue to ORTONA Depot. Full Report to be rendered so that Comm. A/c can be adjusted and properly initialled by me.

DATE: 6 August. 1945.

Signature of Inspecting Officer.

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V.L. Manna-Molina
Capt. S.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

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Subject:- Stock Movement - Naples to Bari.

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STN/17a

6 August 1945.

MMIA LO BARI. (Your ST/9/2 dated 14 June 45 refers). 7

Copy to:- Land Forces Sub Comm.AC.
(M.M.I.A.) ✓ (Your st/75/2 dated 13 June 45 refers)

1. Attached herewith copy of Comando Territoriale Militare di Napoli report on deficiencies concerning despatches of foodstuffs from Naples to Bari.

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MAJOR. R.A.S.C.
SENIOR LIAISON OFFICER.

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COMANDO TERRITORIALE MILITARE DI NAPOLI
UFFICIO SERVIZI

N. 2/8135/CO

P.M. 3400 3/8/1945

Subject: Discrepancies on Shipping of Foodstuffs from
Naples to Bari.

To : MMIA IO Naples.

Reference your STN/17 dated 17 June 1945.

1. Results from inquiries are as below:

Shipping of foodstuffs has been made by Special Depot, through
Depots 158 and 1270.

Depot 158 sent 4 kinds of meat in big quantities in order to
establish a proportion among the remnants of various types of meat.

Depot 1270 sent just one kind of meat, but in small boxes of
different weights, because such boxes were being issued on the same
day by British Depots, 14 CRASCO, and in order to avoid a double job
of loading and unloading.

Such supplies, while they were unloaded in the station for further
shipping to Bari, were found by Station Commissariat Office in bad
condition, therefore the office invited the sub-appointee to Depot
1270 to go with his personnel to the station to provide for the
recondition and the substitution of boxes partly broken down and
without guarantee of control.

On this purpose 1 officer, 1 NCO and 4 soldiers went to the
station, but before the work could be done entirely, Railway Office
gave orders to seal the waggon by reason of immediate leaving of
convoy.

On the arrival of the waggons many boxes were found broken
and tins missing. The receiving unit, having known such things, did
not use the necessary precautions for the transport of supplies from
the station to the Depot. Supplies were unloaded and transported in
the depot (about 3 kilometers away) by civilian coaches without
military escorts during the travel. Theft and substitution of tins
by stones and other materials occurred. The last load was escorted
by the train escort gang and the load was found correct. The supplies
were all eatable because issued by British Depots.

According to all above mentioned, I adopted the following pre-
cautions:

1. I notified the sub-appointee to Depot 1270 that he had
not taken care of the shipping of supplies; if he had prepared the boxes
many of the claimed damages would have been avoided.

2. I told the depending Direzione di Commissariato about the
absolute necessity to issue precise orders to depending organization,
that, in future, the shipping will be handled at maximum, avoiding
the shipping of boxes in bad condition, with reserve of disciplinary
action against the ones responsible.

3. I notified the Direzione di Commissariato Bari that the

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supplies, not only had not been examined at the station, as according to standing orders, but that the transport from station to Depot had been made without escort.

THE GENERALE COMMANDING
Generale Romano

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SUBJECT:- Inspection of Italian Navy Depots.

Navy Sub Commission AG.

Copy to:- MMIA LO BARI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/210

5 Aug 45.

1. Forwarded herewith report of inspection by MMIA LO BARI of the BRINDISI Italian Navy Food Distribution Depot on 31 July 45.
2. Information contained therein is for your information and appropriate action.
3. MMIA LO BARI will take action, para a, Inspection Report concerning surplus rations.

Guska at (30)

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Lt.Col. RABO.
ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG. (MMIA).

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ITALIA 33- LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT
ON VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOT.

Appendix 1.8
File Ref: ST/1.

Name of Depot inspected.	Date.	Type of Depot:- i.e., BULK, D.D., P.O.L., or FORAGE.	Rank & Name of Inspecting Officer.
MAGAZZINO VIVERRI DELLA MARINA DI BRINDISI.	31/7/45.	Food Bulk Depot and Issue Store: And Bakery.	Capt. E. L. Monck- Mason, R.A.S.C.
(Italian Royal Navy Depot, BRINDISI.)			Ten. MINNITI, of Dir. Comm. 9 Terr. HQ, and Ten. CINQUE (interpret- ing) accompanied.

(a). Maintenance of Stock Position: Average Daily Feeding Str.- 4000.-4500.

As in case of Navy Depot, TARANTO, this Depot has been holding large surpluses of nearly all items of the Allied portion of the Italian Ration Scale. 28/C. Depot (Capit. PETRONELLI, Luigi), who escorted me round the depot, stated that on 28 July, approx. 147000 balanced Rations were held in this Depot. Taking into consideration, say, 75000 Rations (15-days x 5000) as a maximum Reserve permissible, this still leaves a surplus of 72000 Rations to be absorbed. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ A detailed statement certifying number of Rations held as at 5 AUG; (the end of current period has been requested to be forwarded to Dir. Comm. 9 Terr. HQ (BARI), so that necessary adjustments and balances can be effected. Copy of this statement will be forwarded to you when received, together with details of items to be suspended from next issues.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

In the opinion of the undersigned, this was far from satisfactory, when compared with standards existing in Italian Army Depots. The following points were observed:

- (i) in the Issuing Store-, extremely untidy and dirty (possibly due to day's issues just being finished.) Old tins & boxes lying behind issuing counter.
- (ii). No apparent system of stacking and ventilating commodities. No Tally-Cards of any description evident. Two dogs had been permitted to make their home and to produce a family in one store.
- (iii). it would have been impossible to have carried out a spot-check on view of bad stacking, etc. (see (i) above.)

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(c). Accounting Position. Recommended that MMIA accounting procedures and forms be adopted.

(d). General: Appointment to visit this Depot was made by telephone 1-hour previous to arrival at the premises. As stated above, 2 i/c accompanied us round.

Date... 1. AUG. '45.

E.L. Munn-Mason
Capt., R.A.S.C.

ADST, Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C., (E.M.I.A.) ~~LAND FORCES SUB COMM.~~
ROME. A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 Ars.

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MILIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT.ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

File Ref.: ST/1

Name of Depot inspected:	Date	Type of Depot: i.e. BULK, D.U., P.O.L. or Forage.	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer.
53 Magazzino Viveri, BRINDISI Officer i/c: Capitano ANNICHIARICO	30/7. 1945	Food Distribution & Issue Depot.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector Position:

Satisfactory. Arrangements for drawing 13000 Rations ex 28 BSD.,
BRINDISI, for maintenance, period 6-20 Aug., confirmed.
(My ST/10 dated 24 July, 45, & 22 CRASC's 8/74/1 of 26 July ref.)

(b) Physical Warehousing Position:

Satisfactory. Depot rather over-crowded as result of non-drawal
of items intended for Italian Navy, BRINDISI, during
last period (see report on Naval Depot, BRINDISI),
but this will be balanced out during next period.

(c) Accounting Position:

Spot-checks made on following 2 items:-

SOAP: 92 Cases x 100-lbs.:	Kgs.	4600.000	Actual Stock in
Loose:	"	52.336	Depot Entries on
	"	4652.336	Tally-Cards &
			Commodity a/c
			AGREED.

P. MEAT: 350	" x 36-lbs.:	Kgs.	5707.800	Actual Stock & Tally
256	" x 18-lbs.:	"	2087.424	- Cards showed SUR-
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40 Tins x			12-ozs.:		13.590	PLUS of 3.304 kgs.,
						when compared with
					7808.814	Comm.A/c. taken on
						charge & initialled

Date: 31/7/45

To: A.D.S.T.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.M.I.A. ROME.

cc: I, M.M.A.

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Signature of E.L. Manna-Manna
Inspecting Officer: Capt.
LIAISON OFFICE
LAND FORCES SUB COMM.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

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Ref. No. ST/1.

Name of Depot inspected; Date. Type of Depot: Rank and Name of inspecting Officer.

54° Magazzino Viv. 28/7/45. Food Distribution Capt. E. L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C. & Issue Depot.

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory. Feeding Str. average for last period: 3900.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory. Improved precautions against Fire and Vermin, etc., noted.

(c). Accounting Position:

'Spot-checks' made on two items as follows: - FLOUR. Discrepancy of 285 gms. found between actual stocks and entry in books. N.C.O. i/c accounted for this as being due to loss during loading'. Books to be adjusted accordingly and initialled.

TOMATO PASTE. 209286 KCS. Actual stock, Tally-card and Book Entry agreed.

(d). General: GARIBALDI DIV. at TRAMI, have been drawing from this depot (approx. Str. 2600), but could easily draw ex BARI. This would decrease total Feeding Str. of Units drawing, to 1100--1200 approx. These Units, of which 514 Gd. Bn is the largest, could also draw ex BARI D.D., and this Depot closed down ('phone conversation MAJ. NELSON--Undersigned refers).

E. L. Monck-Mason

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Signature.

Inspecting Officer.

29 July, '45.

E.L. Munn-Munn

Capt., R.A.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICER,

LAND FORCES SUB COMM.

A.C. (M.M.I.A.) c/o 54 AREA

To:- A.D.S.T., M.K.I.A.,

Rome.

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MMIA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT ON

VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Appendix 'I';

File Ref: ST/1.

Name of Depot inspected.	Date.	Type of Depot; i.e., BULK, DD, POL, or FORAGE.	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer.
55°Magazzino Viv. FOGGIA.	28/7/45	Food Distribution and Issue Depot.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a). Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

TOWN MAJOR (Br.) has been contacted again to allocate more suitable premises, and has promised to advise this office within a few days. This situation has become even more urgent, since the collapse of one of the upper floors in the present depot a day or so ago. The difficulty appears to be to find a large enough stone building with-in reasonable distance of the railway; every step is being taken to expedite.

(c). Accounting Position.

'Spot-checks' carried out on 2 items:-
SUGAR. Actual Stock, Tally-card, & Book Entry all agreed, - Kgs. 5715.

TOMATO PASTE.. Actual Stock: 2112.600 Kgs.

AS per Tally-Card & 2091.700 "

Commodity A/c (ST/11):

Surplus to be taken 20.900 "

on charge:

Surplus stated to be due to issuing to nearest pound (in this case, Tins 6½ lbs.

(d). General.

Depot not very satisfactory, but this situation will improve as soon as new premises are obtained.

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Commodity A/c (ST/11):

Surplus to be taken 20.900 "

Surplus stated to be due to issuing to nearest pound (in this case, Tins 6 1/2 lbs.

(d). General.

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29 July, '45.

To:- A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.
Rome.

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Capt., R.A.S.C.

LIAISON OFFICE

LAND FORCES SUP. COM.

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SUBJECT: Inspection of Italian Navy Depot, TARANTO.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
9/1/10-9
30 July 1945

TO : Navy Sub Commission, AC.

1. We are enclosing herewith copy of letter and inspection report covering the inspection of the Italian Navy Bulk Depot at Taranto by our Liaison Officer at Bari.
2. It can readily be seen that excessive stocks are held in the depot. In some instances as much as 140 days surplus rations for the strength being rationed by the depot is surplus to their 15 day maintenance and 15 day reserve holding.
3. Due to the fact that there is a nation-wide shortage of food, and since the responsibility for the supplying of rations for the Italian Navy is a British responsibility, they would not concur in having excessive stocks carried in an Italian depot, which does not even show in the theater reserve stocks.
4. There will be no rations withdrawn from MMIA depots covering the items which are shown to be in surplus stock until the rations are balanced in the Italian depot on the basis of 15 day maintenance and 15 day reserve.
5. We cannot understand why the Depot Commander would allow such surplus to accumulate in his depot. We recommend that some disciplinary action be taken against the responsible officer in charge to prevent such over-stocking from occurring in the future.

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 30 July

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Tommy T. Rose
TOMMY T. ROSE, Lt. Col.
For Major General
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: DBST, AFHQ
MMIA LO 54 Area
ST Section, MMIA

DADS KRN 307

Encl: Ltr. ST/1, MMIA LO Bari dated 24-7-45, with attached
Inspection Report. 63.7

C O P Y

Tel: Bari 13869

Subject:- Visit to Italian Royal Navy, TARANTO

MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AG
C/o 54 Area; G.M.F.

ST/1
24 July 45.

To: ADST, HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm. AG (MMIA)

1. In accordance with instructions issued in HQ, MMIA's letter, ST/179 dated 2 July 45, a visit was made on 21 July 45, to the Italian Naval Commissariat's Depot at TARANTO, in company with Ten Col MEALE of 9 Terr. HQ Commissariat.
2. After discussion with the Vice-director of Naval Commissariat, accurate figures were obtained in relation to feeding strengths and existing stocks (see attached statement).
3. Steps have now been taken to balance out the surplus items held in this depot. (my ST/10/1 dated 24 July, copy to you refers).
4. Report of my inspection of the depot, in which we were also accompanied by the officer i/c, Ten Col ROSSINI, is attached in duplicate.

/s/ E.L. Monk-Mason Capt RASC
for Senior LO
Eastern Italy

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APPENDIX "1",

MMIA S & T LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT
ON VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Name of depot inspected	Date	Type of Dept: i.e. Bulk D.D.POL or Forage	Rank & Name of Inspecting Officer
MAGAZZINO DELLA MARINA DI TARANTO (Italian Royal Navy Depot, TARANTO)	21/7/45	Bulk & Distribution Depots: Bakery, & Plant for Refrigeration.	Capt. E.L. Monck- Mason R.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Stock Position: Approx. Feeding Str:- 21,000 (see para (c) below)

Large surpluses of a number of items held (see attached statements, Arrangements being made to adjust and cut down NAVY Pack from SSD, BRINDISI. Weekly pack will recommence, w.e.f. 6th Aug, with certain items only, and subsequent packs will be balanced in accordance with surpluses still in existence.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory, though Depot appeared to be rather overcrowded. Tally-cards were in use on all stacks, but in some cases, were pieces of cardboard or paper, extremely difficult to decipher. Suggested to Col. MEAL that D/Com. BARI should supply a quantity of MMIA printed Tally-cards to remedy this (ST/4a).

Ten. Col. ROSSINI stated that the 1st Floor, above the Bakery had been requisitioned by the Royal Navy, but that it was not being utilized by them. He wanted to know if these premises could be handed back to them as he could put them to good use. Navy Sub Commission please note.

The Bakery was also visited: an excellent loaf of 240 gms, weight produced (2 per man per day).

(c) Accounting Position.

Satisfactory, though MMIA accounting procedure is naturally not in force. Strength Records for previous day were as under:

On land	Officers and men	10,760
On board	" " "	9,590
Personnel at Gallipoli		400
		<u>20,750</u>

Date 22nd July 45

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/s/ E. L. Monck-Mason
Capt. R.A.S.C.,
Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
M.M.I.A. o/o 54 Area.

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STOCK STATE AS AT 19 JULY 1945

IN RATIONS

COMMODITY	Remains as at 19/7/45	30 days requirements allocation & 15 days reserve holdings) total 630,000 rations calculated in basis of daily feeding strength of 21,000 men.	DIFFERENCE	SURPLUS		REMARK
				RATIONS	DAYS	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
COFFEE	Daily rat. 1,431,702	630,000	-	801,702	38	
MEAT OR FISH	" 775,895	630,000	-	145,895	7	
TOMATO PASTE	" 2,751,773	630,000	-	2,121,773	101	
FLOUR	" 717,511	630,000	"	77,511	4	
MATCHES	Monthly 16,655	21,000	4,345	-	-	
CHEESE	" 725,973	630,000	-	95,973	4	
P/B/L	" 880,782	630,000	"	250,782	12	
OLIVE OIL	" 427,464	630,000	202,536	-	-	
PASTA	" 386,322	630,000	243,678	-	-	
PEPPER	" 617,022	630,000	12,978	-	-	
RICE	" -	630,000	630,000	-	-	
VEGETABLES	" 3,566,868	630,000	-	2,936,868	140	
SUGAR	" 926,797	630,000	-	296,797	14	

COPY
ALLIED PROVIDED ITEMS STOCK STATE
AS AT 19 JULY 1945

IN NOS

COMMODITY	Remains as at 19/7/45	30 days require- ments (15 days allocation + 15 days reserve holdings) total 636,000 rations calculated on basis of 21,000 rations daily.	Commodi- ties to be with- drawn. MIA Depots.	DIFFERENCE		REMARKS
				Kgs	Days	
COFFEE	20187	8883	-	11304	38	
MEAT AND FISH	65408	53109	-	12299	7	
TOMATO PASTE	38800	8883	-	29917	101	
FLOUR	304440	267309	-	37131	4	
MATCHES (40 singles a week)	2664800	3360000	695200	-	-	
CHEESE	20400	17703	-	2697	4	
P/S/L	49500	35406	-	14094	12	
OLIVE OIL	11969	17640	5671	-	-	
PASTA	32567	53109	20542	-	-	
PEPPER	87	88.200	1.200	-	-	
RICE	-	17703	17703	-	-	
VEGETABLES	100229	17703	-	82526	140	
SUGAR	26043	17703	-	8340	14	

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SITUAZIONE DEI GENERI ALLA DATA DEL 19 LUGLIO 1945

Denominazione dei generi.-	Rimanenza alla sera del 19/7/1945	Fabbisogno per giorni 30 (15 g. assegn. + 15 g. riserva) totale 630.000 r. calcolate in base alla forza giornaliera di 21000 uomini.-	Differenze risultanti		
			Generi da riti- rare	Generi eccedenti razioni	giorni
1	2	3	4	5	6
Caffè.....raz.g.	1.431.702	630.000	=	801.702	30
Carne o pesce " "	775.895	630.000	=	145.895	
Conserva....." "	2.751.773	630.000	=	2.121.773	10
Farina....." "	717.511	630.000	=	77.511	
Fiammiferi raz.mens	16.655	21.000	4.345	=	=
Formaggio " g.	725.978	630.000	=	95.978	
Legumi " "	880.782	630.000	=	250.782	1
Olio " "	427.464	630.000	202.536	=	=
Pasta " "	386.322	630.000	243.678	=	=
Pepe " "	617.022	630.000	12.978	=	=
Riso " "	=	630.000	630.000	=	=
Vegetali " "	3.566.868	630.000	=	2.936.868	14
Zucchero " "	926.797	630.000	=	296.797	1

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RI ALLA DATA DEL 19 LUGLIO 1945

IN RATIONS

Presenza sera 7/1945	Fabbisogno per giorni 30 (15 g. assegn. + 15 g. riserva) totale 630.000 r. calcolate in base alla forza giornaliera di 21000 uomini.-	Differenze risultanti			NOTE
		Generi da riti- rare	Generi eccedenti		
			razioni	giorni	
	3	4	5	6	7
31.702	630.000	=	801.702	38	
75.895	630.000	=	145.895	7	
61.773	630.000	=	2.121.773	101	
7.511	630.000	=	77.511	4	
16.655	21.000	4.345	=	=	
25.978	630.000	=	95.978	4	
80.782	630.000	=	250.782	12	
27.464	630.000	202.536	=	=	
86.322	630.000	243.678	=	=	
17.022	630.000	12.978	=	=	
=	630.000	630.000	=	=	
66.868	630.000	=	2.936.868	140	
26.797	630.000	=	296.797	14	

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LARANTO

Denominazione dei generi	Rimanenza alla sera del 19/7/1945	Fabbisogno per gior ni 30 (15 g. assegn. + 15 g. riserva) to tale 630.000 calco lata in base alla forza giornaliera di 21.000 razioni	Differenza risultanti		
			Generi da ritirare	Generi eccedenti	
	Kg.	Kg.	Kg.	Kg.	glo
Caffè	20187 000	8883 000	+	11304 000	3
Carne o pesce	65408 000	53109 000	+	12299 000	
Concentrato	38800 000	8883 000	+	29917 000	10
Farina	304440 000	267309 000	+	37131 000	
Fiammiferi (n.40 unità sett)	2664800 -	3360000 -	695200 -	--	--
Formaggio	20400 000	17703 000	+	2697 000	
Legumi	49500 000	35406 000	+	14094 000	1
Olio	11969 000	17640 000	5671,000	--	--
Pasta	32567 000	53109 000	20542 000	--	--
Pepe	87 000	88 200	1 200	--	--
Riso	--	17703 000	17703 000	--	--
Vegetali	100229 000	17703 000	--	82526 000	14
Zucchero	26043 000	17703 000	--	8340 000	1

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SITUAZIONE DEI GENERI DI PROVENIENZA ALLEATA
ALLA DATA DEL 19 LUGLIO 1945

IN. KGS

Genere 1945	Fabbisogno per giorni 30 (15 g. assegn. + 15 g. riserva) tot- tale 630.000 calco- lata in base alla forza giornaliera di 21.000 razioni		Differenza risultanti		NOTE
			Generi da ritirare	Generi eccedenti	
	Kg.		Kg.	Kg.	giorni
000	8883 000		+	11304 000	38
000	53109 000		+	12299 000	7
000	8883 000		+	29917 000	101
000	267309 000		+	37131 000	4
-	3350000 -	695200 -	-	-	-
000	17703 000		+	2697 000	4
000	35406 000		+	14094 000	12
000	17640 000	5671 000	-	-	-
000	53109 000	20542 000	-	-	-
000	88 200	1 200	-	-	-
	17703 000	17703 000	-	-	-
000	17703 000	-	-	82526 000	140
000	17703 000	-	-	8340 000	14



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Il Capo dell'Ufficio Amministrativo

Il Funzionario Delegato

(3) Dedicazione o titolo da cui fu emessa l'ordine. — (2) Numero progressivo per ciascun ordine di accreditamento. Quando occorre, indicare che l'ordinativo è l'ultimo emesso sull'ordine di accreditamento. — (3) Luogo del pagamento. — (4) La somma in tutte lettere. — (5) Causale della spesa. — (6) Documenti che la giustificano. — (7) Qualità ufficiale del funzionario delegato.

(Ord. 4 del 20.7.92) Art. Grafiche Pasotto & Perrelli - Spisato 10.000 r. di 1000 s.l.

MMIA S & T LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT

ON VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Appendix "1"

Name of Depot inspected.	Date	Type of Depot: i.e. BULK D.D. P.O.L., or FORAGE	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer.
MAGAZZINO DELLA MARINA DI TARANTO (ITALIAN Royal Navy Depot, TARANTO)	21/7 1945	Bulk and Distribution Depots: Bakery, and Plant for Refrigeration.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a). Maintenance of Stock Position: Approx. Feeding Str:-21,000 (see para (c) below)

Large surpluses of a number of items held (see attached statements). Arrangements being made to adjust and cut down NAVY Pack from BSD. BRINDISI. Weekly pack will recommence, w;s;f;6th AUG., with certain items only, and subsequent packs will be balanced in accordance with surpluses still in existence.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory, though Depot appeared to be rather overcrowded. Tally-cards were in use on all stacks, but in some cases, were pieces of cardboard or paper, extremely difficult to decipher. Suggested to Col. Meal that D/Com. BARI should supply a quantity of MMIA printed Tally-cards to remedy this (ST/4s).

Ten-Col. ROSSINI stated that the 1st Floor, above the Bakery had been requisitioned by the ROYAL NAVY, but that it was not being utilised by them. He wanted to know if these premises could be handed back to them as he could put them to good use. Navy Sub-Commission please note.

The Bakery was also visited: An excellent loaf of 240 gms. weight is produced, (2 per man per day).

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory, though MMIA accounting procedure is naturally not in force. Strength Records for previous day were made up as under:

On land,	Officers & men:	10,750
On board,	" " "	9,500

BRINDISI. Weekly pack will recommend items only, and subsequent packs will be balanced in accordance with surpluses still in existence.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory, though Depot appeared to be rather overcrowded. Tally-cards were in use on all stacks, but in some cases, were pieces of cardboard or paper, extremely difficult to decipher. Suggested to Col. Meal that D/Com.BARI should supply a quantity of MMIA printed Tally-cards to remedy this (ST/4s).

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The Bakery was also visited: An excellent loaf of 240 gms. weight is produced, (2 per man per day).

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory, though MMIA accounting procedure is naturally not in force. Strength Records for previous day were made up as under:

On land,	Officers & men:	10.760
On board,	" "	9.590
Personnel at Callipoli.		<u>400</u>
		<u>20.750</u>

DATE. 22ND July '45.

ELMM/mn

E.L. Munn-Mason
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Capt., R.A.S.C.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
M.M.I.A. c/o 54 AREA.

Te7: Bari 13869

Subject:- Visit to Italian Royal Navy, TARANTO

MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. ✓
C/o 54 Area: C.M.F.

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24 July 45.

To: ADST, HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC (MMIA)

1. In accordance with instructions issued in HQ, MMIA's letter, ST/179 dated 2 July 45, a visit was made on 21 July 45, to the Italian Naval Commissariat's Depot at TARANTO, in company with Ten Col MEALE of 9 Terr. HQ, Commissariat.
2. After discussion with the Vice-director of Naval Commissariat, accurate figures were obtained in relation to feeding strengths and existing stocks. (see attached statement)
3. Steps have now been taken to balance out the surplus items held in this depot. (my ST/10/1 dated 24 July, copy to you refers)
4. Report of my inspection of the depot, in which we were also accompanied by the officer i/c, Ten Col. ROSSINI, is attached in duplicate.

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E.L. Munn-Murray
Capt RASC
for Senior LO
Eastern Italy

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MMIA S & T LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT

ON VISIT OF INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

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(a). Maintenance of Stock Position: Approx. Feeding Str:-21,000 (see para (c) below)

Large surpluses of a number of items held (see attached statements). Arrangements being made to adjust and cut down NAVY Pack from BSH. BRINDISI. Weekly pack will recommence, w.e.f; 6th AUG., with certain items only, and subsequent packs will be balanced in accordance with surpluses still in existence.

(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory, though Depot appeared to be rather overcrowded. Tally-cards were in use on all stacks, but in some cases, were pieces of cardboard or paper, extremely difficult to decipher. Suggested to Col. Meal that D/Com. BARI should supply a quantity of MMIA printed Tally-cards to remedy this (ST/4s).

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The Bakery was also visited: An excellent loaf of 240 gms. weight is produced, (2 per man per day).

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On land, Officers & men: 10.760

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(b). Physical Warehousing Position.

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The Bakery was also visited: An excellent loaf of 240 gms. weight is produced, (2 per man per day).

(c). Accounting Position.

Satisfactory, though MMIA accounting procedure is naturally not in force. Strength Records for previous day were made up as under:

On land,	Officers & men:	10.760
On board,	" "	9.590
Personnel at Gallipoli.		<u>400</u>
		20.750

DATE. 22ND July '45.

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L.L. Munn-Munn
Capt., R.A.S.C.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.C.,
M.M.I.A. c/o 54 AREA.

To : - A.D.S.T., Land Forces Sub-Comm.,
A.C.(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

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INDIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Ref.: ST/1.

Name of Depot Inspected	Date	Type of Depot: i.e. Bulk, D.D. P.O.L., or Forage.	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer.
51° Magazzino Viveri, Via Rossini 60 TARANTO.	16th July 1945	Food Issue and Distribution Depot.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason R.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory : adequate Fire Precautions.

(c) Accounting Position.

Spot - checks made on SUGAR and NUTS.
Entries on tally-cards and ST/1's corresponded with physical stocks
on hand in depot.

General : This depot is still rather over-crowded, as result of the
closure of TARANTO B.D. recently, but stocks will naturally
diminish in due course.

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(a) Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Satisfactory : adequate Fire Precautions.

(c) Accounting Position.

Spot - checks made on SUGAR and NUTS.
Entries on tally-cards and ST/11s corresponded with physical stocks on hand in depot.

General : This depot is still rather over-crowded, as result of the closure of TARANTO B.D. recently, but stocks will naturally diminish in due course.

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Date 17 July 1945

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Signature of
Inspecting Officer.

E.L. Munn-Murray
Capt.

M.M.I.A.L.O. - C/O 54 AREA

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(M.M.I.A.) ROME

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MMIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS

Name of Depot inspected	Date	Type of Depot i.e. Bulk, D.D. P.O.L. OR Forage	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer
57° Magazzino Militare Viveri, ORTONA (via Ciro degli Olivetti 6.)	13/1/45	Food Distribution Depot, and Issue Store.	<i>noted</i> Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason 16/7 K.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector Position

Satisfactory

Feeding Strength for last period: 2600 approx. (US-ITI - Nil)
(BR-ITI - 800) approx.
(ITI-ITI - 1600)

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Depot Premises not very satisfactory, being overcrowded, causing poor stacking & ventilating of commodities: agreed to take up with a view to acquiring bigger & better accommodation, but this is understood to present difficulties, owing to the shattered state of town buildings.

Otherwise, satisfactory.

(c) Accounting Position

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**Distribution
Depot, and
Issue Store.**

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H.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector Position

Satisfactory

Feeding Strength for last period: 2500 approx.

US-ITI	- Nil)
BR-ITI	- 600) approx.
ITI-ITI	- 1600)

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Depot Premises not very satisfactory, being overcrowded, causing poor stacking & ventilating of commodities: agreed to take up with a view to acquiring bigger & better accommodation, but this is understood to present difficulties, owing to the shattered state of town buildings.

Otherwise, satisfactory.

(c) Accounting Position

Spot-checks on (1) P.M.EAT: stock-on-hand, tally-card, & entry on ST/11, checked, & found to correspond.

(11) COFFEES: Difference of 36 gms. between actual stock on hand, & entries on tally-cards & ST/11, due to issues to nearest figure: Books adjusted & initialled.

(d) General. Ten. MACCLIA, O i/c Depot, appeared to be capable, & to be making the best of a difficult situation (see (b) above).

Signature of inspecting
Officer ~~J. J. Smith~~ - Mason

Rank 1 of 2

Date: 14 July, 1945.

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SUBJECT:- Stock Movement - NAPLES to RARI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
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Ministry of War.

14 July 45.

Reference this HQ letter ST/75/2 dated 18 June 45.

1. Please expedite report on the findings of your investigations concerning deficiencies in meat despatches from No. 10 Bulk Food Depot to No. 9 Bulk Food Depot.

Quitter at (24)

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ADST, Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (M.M.I.A.).
Lt. Col. RASC.

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To: A.D.S.T.

Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.M.I.A. ROME.

"S & T, MMIA.

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UNITA SAT LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON VISIT TO UNITS

Name of Unit visited	Date	Rank and Name of Visiting Officer
84° Sezione Auto.Amb. (84 Ambulance Car Sec.)	22/6/45	Capt. E. L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.
Officer i/c Unit: Ten.ACQUAS, Elvio.		

(a) Units Interior Economy.

Rations: Unit Ration Record checked; actual daily strength of 19 corresponded with last ST/8, (W/E/Str:-1 Officer, 30 ORs = 31).

Midday Meal of minestrone, bread, & wine inspected, & tasted very good. No complaints from those present in Unit Dining Room.

Cookhouse: Satisfactory.

Latrines: required attention in regard to cleanliness & disinfecting.

0 i/c to rectify.

(b) Condition of Unit Transport (if any)	FIAT Ambulances.	Lorry.	M/Cycles.
W/E.(Organico) Strength of Unit Vehs:	20	1	2

Handed in to No 3 I.V.P. for replacement.

Sent to No 3 Repair Unit, for minor repairs:

Still awaiting allocation to Unit:

Actual Effective Strength, as at 22/6/45: 12

0 i/c stated that 2 Windshields Labels had been lost; (i) RE111469 had been eaten by a lumatic, who was conveyed in the ambulance; and (ii) RE.

(c) Any General Remarks.

95679 had been lost or removed during use. Both cases have been reported to SMRE through Terr. HQ.

Clothing: 0 i/c asked for Summer Clothing. (This is an ITI-ITI unit.)

Fire Precautions: Inadequate, especially near Unit P.O.L.Store. 0 i/c

Ten. ACQUAS, Elia.

(a) Unit's Interior Economy.

Rations: Unit Ration Record checked; actual daily strength of 19 corresponded with last ST/8, (W/E/Str:-1 Officer, 30 ORs = 31). Midday Meal of minestrone, bread, & wine inspected, & tasted very good. No complaints from those present in Unit Dining Room.

Cookhouse: Satisfactory.

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(b) Condition of Unit Transport (if any)

FIAT	Ambulances.	Lorry.	M/Cycles.
W/E.(Organico) Strength of Unit Vehs:	20	1	2

Handed in to No 3 I.V.P. for replacement.

Sent to No 3 Repair Unit, for minor repairs:

3	-	-	-
5	-	-	-
-	1	-	-
12	-	-	2

Still awaiting allocation to Unit:

Actual Effective Strength, as at 22/6/45:

O i/c stated that 2 Windshields Labels had been lost; (i) RE111469 had been eaten by a lunatic, who was conveyed to the ambulance; and (ii) RE.

(c) Any General Remarks. { Both cases have been reported to SMRE through Terr. HQ.

Clothing: O i/c asked for Summer Clothing. (This is an ITI-ITI unit.)
Fire Precautions: Inadequate, especially near Unit P.O.L.Store. O i/c instructed to rectify.

MORALE: appeared to be high, and a good standard of esprit-de-corps prevailed, although O i/c said the men had continuously to work long and hard through lack of replacements on his W/E.

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DATE: 22 June, 1945.

Signature of Visiting Officer *E.L. Munn-Mason*

Rank Capt., R.A.S.C.
Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.L.I.A. 54 AREA.

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To:- HQ.MMIA.
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MMIA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT.

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ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS.

Name of Depot inspected.	Date.	Type of Depot i.e. BULK, D.D., P.O.L., or FORAGE.	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officers.
(1). 130Dep. Spec. Viv. TARANTO } (2). 510Mag. Mil. Viv., " } (3). 530 " " " BRINDISI } (4). 90Dep. Spec. Viv., BARI } (5). 90Mag. Mil. Viv., " } (6). 540Mag. Mil. Viv. BARLETTA } (7). 550 " " " FOGGIA }	15/6 16/6 17/6	Bulk Food Depot. Food Dist. " " " " Bulk Food Depot Food Dist. " " " " " " "	ADST, MMIA and the undersigned ADST, MMIA, Maj. FOSSETT & the undersigned ADST, MMIA, and the undersigned

(a) Maintenance of Sector Position.

Satisfactory.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

- (1). Satisfactory: depot stocks now all removed for closure.
- (2). Satisfactory, but very overcrowded as a result of (1).
- (3). Satisfactory, but Fire Precautions considered inadequate: OC to rectify
- (4). Satisfactory.
- (5). " " , but more Fire Precautions to be taken.
- (6). " " :
- (7). " " ; ADST considered premises poor: visited Town Major, who will notify this office when adequate premises are vacated.

(c). Accounting Position.

Generally-speaking, satisfactory.
ST/8s, ST/9s and ST/11s checked & examined.

"S & T. MMIA.

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Signature of
Inspecting Officer.

E.L. Munn Mason
Capt., R.A.S.C.,
ST, MMIA 54 AREA 291

DATE 18 June, 1945.

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Subject: Discrepancies in Despatch of Rations
Naples to Bari.

"S & T. MMIA.

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LIAISON OFFICER
LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
NAPLES
STH/

17 June 1945.

Commanding General, Comando Territoriale, Napoli

Copy to: Direzione Commissariato
Comando Territoriale, Napoli (enclosing report).
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC
(M.M.I.A.)
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC
(M.M.I.A.) BARI

1. Attached report from Commissariato Bari regarding discrepancies in rations received by Bari from Naples on 22 May 45, is forwarded for your attention.
2. You are requested to give this matter the fullest possible attention; in particular please question:
 - (1) Despatching Depot
 - (2) Gang who loaded wagons in order to ascertain whether wagons were sealed, and in what condition commodities were loaded.
 - (3) Train Guards.

GEORGE D. SMITH, JR.
Lt. Col., Infantry
Senior Liaison Officer

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DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO MILITARE DI BARI

VERBALE COSTATANTE LO SCARICO DI NO. QUATTRO VAGONI DERRATE E L'APERTURA COLLI.

L'anno millenovecentoquarantacinque, addì ventotto del mese di maggio in Bari

SIA NOTO

che il sottoscritto Ten. Colonnello ALBRIZIO Mario, comandato in data 22/5/1945 dalla Direzione di Commissariato Militare di Bari a presenziare allo scarico di N.4 vagoni derrate inviatidai Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli al Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari, ha constatato - in contraddittorio coi Rappresentanti il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari - quanto segue:

- che i quattro vagoni avevano i seguenti numeri di matricola: 1121545 - 1020038 - 185812 - 221879;
- che i vagoni nn. 185812 e 221879 erano spionbati e di tanto si è fatta contestazione alle scorte;
- che proceduto all'apertura successiva dei quattro vagoni in parola, le derrate in essi contenute sono risultate stivate senza distinzione di qualità, d'imballaggio, di condizionamento e di libbraggio;
- che molte casse sono risultate disfatte con fuoriuscita di barattoli fortemente ammaccati ed altre scondizionate da far fortemente sospettare l'integrità del loro contenuto;
- che non essendo possibile procedere ad un'esatta ricognizione, catalogazione o discriminazione delle derrate giglio vagone, per la mano d'opera ingaggiata a quintalaggio, per le avverse condizioni atmosferiche e per la necessità di rendere al più presto disponibili i vagoni, tutta la merce contenuta nei suddetti quattro vagoni è stata scaricata delimitando il controllo al numero dei colli e trasportata, quindi, in appositi locali del Deposito isolati e vigilati, per gli ulteriori accertamenti;
- che nei giorni 23-24-25-26-27-28 si è proceduto nei suddetti locali del Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari all'apertura dei singoli colli e alla constatazione del singoli colli e alla constatazione del loro contenuto;
- che in molte casse, in luogo di scatole di carne si sono rinvenuti sassi, mattonelle, mazze di chiavette per aprire scatole, carta compressa e cartone piegato;
- che in molte casse, scatole di cartone e scatole di latta, le scatole o scatole di carne sono risultate ordinate in senso orizzontale anziché verticale con ammanno di scatole e scatole in numero vario;
- che molte scatole e scatole delle diverse qualità di carne ricevute, sono risultate avariate, gonfie o attaccate da ruggine;
- che, proceduto ad una accurata selezione, è stato accertato che la carne giunta al Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari ammontava a Kg. 54974.834 mentre il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli nelle bollette di spedizione indicava spediti Kg. 55619;
- che pertanto vi era in complesso un ammanno in arrivo di Kg. 644.166 di carne scatoletta;
- che in tale ammanno sono compresi Kg. 328.425 di pietre, mattoni interi e spezzati e lapilli rinvenuti nell'apertura dei singoli colli;
- che nei Kg. 54974.834 di carne scatoletta effettivamente giunta ed assunta in carico dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari, Kg. 137.825 sono costituiti di carne avariata e fortemente attaccata da ruggine non commestibile;

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- che di quanto precede si fa atto concircostanziato verbale perche il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari possa:
- 1) - regolarizzare opportunamente l'assunzione in carico delle derrate sulla base del quantitativo effettivamente ricevuto;
 - 2) - tenere a disposizione della Commissione Alleata di controllo il quantitativo di carne avariata per gl'inconvenienti di conseguenza;
 - 3) - avere - in qualsiasi momento e per qualsiasi evenienza a - elementi dimostrazioni della propria gestione e di delimitazio - ne delle proprie responsabilita.

Fatto, letto chiuso e sottoscritto alla data di cui sopra.

(Il Ten. Coma. ALBRIZIO Mario)
F.to Albrizio Mario.

Per concordanza:

(Il ten. suss/za. CIPPALUNI Achille)
F. to A. Cippaluni.

(Il Ten. Col. Suss/za SCARPA Luigi)
F. to Luigi Scarpa.

TRANSLATION

C-O-P-Y

REPORT re OFF-LOADING OF FOUR (4) RAIL-WAGONS OF SUPPLIES ex NAPLES, AND
OPENING OF PACKAGES.

On 22nd May 1945 in Bari, the under-signed, Ten. Comm/ro Mario ALBRIZIO, was ordered by Commissariato Directorate, Bari, to be present at the off-loading of 4 wagons of supplies sent from NAPLES Bulk Supply Depot, and he ascertained the following, cross-checking with representatives of the Bulk Supply Depot, Bari.

- No's of the 4 wagons were 1121545, 1020038, 185812, and 221879.
 - Wagons 185812 and 221879 were unsealed, and this was pointed out to the escorts.
 - Once the 4 wagons were opened, supplies appeared stacked with no consideration as to quality, packing, conditioning, nor weight.
 - Many cases appeared untied, with badly-damaged cans falling out, and others so undone to make us strongly doubt the contents.
 - Exhalations came from many Cartons and Tins, contents definitely in bad condition.
 - It was not possible to proceed to an accurate examination, classification and shifting of supplies at wagons' doors, because the labour had to be paid in proportion to quintals off-loaded, bad weather conditions, and necessity to release the wagons. Therefore control was limited to a number of packages, and then items were brought into the Depot and kept isolated and guarded for further investigations.
 - On 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28th, packages were opened and contents ascertained in the Bulk Depot in Bari.
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 - Many cans and tins of different qualities of meat were damaged, blown, or rusty.
 - By an accurate checking, it was ascertained that the weight of meat, which arrived at Bari Bulk Depot, was Kgs. 54, 974.834, whereas Naples Bulk Despatch Notes showed Kgs. 55,619. Total deficiency was Kgs. 644.166.
 - In such deficiency Kgs. 328.425 of stones, bricks, etc. are included.
 - Of 54,974.834 Kgs. of P. Meat arrived, and taken on charge by Bulk Depot, Bari 137.825 Kgs. are bad, rusty, and not fit for consumption.
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- 1) Take on the books quantities actually received.
 - 2) Keep bad meat awaiting control from MMIA for consequent action.
 - 3) Give evidence of their behaviour and demonstrate their responsibility in the matter.

28 May, 1945.

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SUBJECT:- Stock Movement - NAPLES to BARI.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/75/2

Ministry of War.

18 June 45.

Copy to:- MMIA LO's:

BARI (your ST/9/2 of 14 June 45 refers).
NAPLES

1. Your attention is invited to a copy of a certificate prepared by a commission of the Bari Commissariato with reference to deficiencies concerning meat despatches from No. 10 Bulk Food Depot to No. 9 Bulk Food Depot Bari.
2. A study of the report will clearly indicate to you that a thorough investigation must be made to determine the responsible individuals.
3. Please keep this HQ advised of your findings.

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

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COPY
TRANSLATION

REPORT re OFF-LOADING OF FOUR (4) RAIL-WAGONS OF SUPPLIES ex NAPLES and OPENING OF PACKAGES

- On 22nd May, 1945, in BARI, the undersigned, Ten. Com/ to Mario ALBRIZIO, was ordered by Commissariato Directorate, BARI, to be present at the off-loading of 4 wagons of supplies sent from NAPLES Bulk Supply Depot, and he ascertained the following, cross-checking with representatives of the Bulk Supply Depot, BARI.
- Nos of the 4 wagons were 1121545, 1020038, 185812 and 221879.
 - Wagons 185812 and 221879 were unsealed, and this was pointed out to the escorts.
 - Once the 4 wagons were opened, supplies appeared stacked with no consideration as to quality, packing, conditioning nor weight.
 - Many cases appeared untied, with badly-damaged cans falling out, and others so undone to make us strongly doubt the contents.
 - Exhalations came from many Cartons and Tins, contents definitely in bad condition.
 - It was not possible to proceed to an accurate examination, classification and shifting of supplies at wagons' doors, because the labour had to be paid in proportion to quintals off-loaded, bad weather conditions and necessity to release the wagons. Therefore control was limited to a number of packages, and then items were brought into the Depot and kept isolated and guarded for further investigations.
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 - In many instances, cartons or boxes, cans or tins were packed horizontally instead of vertically, involving a deficiency in numbers.
 - Many cans and tins of different qualities of meat were damaged, blown or rusty.
 - By an accurate checking, it was ascertained that the weight of meat, which arrived at BARI Bulk Depot, was Kgs. 54,974.834, whereas NAPLES Bulk Despatch Notes showed Kgs. 55,619. Total deficiency was Kgs 644.166.
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- 2). Keep bad meat awaiting control from MSHA for consequent action.
- 3). Give evidence of their behaviour and demonstrate their responsibility in the matter.

28 May 1945.

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Ref: Bari 13869

Subject:- Discrepancies in Despatch
of Supplies ex NAPLES

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MMIA Liaison Office
Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
C/o 54 Area, C.M.F.

ST/9/2

14 June 45.

To: M.M.I.A. L.O., Naples

Attached report (and translation) regarding
supplies despatched from Naples to Bari, is forwarded
to you for your information and any action you may
deem necessary.

E.L. Mmmmm-Mmmmm
Capt RA3C
for Senior L.O.
Eastern Italy

ELMM/baw

Copy to: HQ, MMIA (my report ST/1
dated 3 June also refers)

*Copy of Report Refd. to
show to area at (1)*

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- ne giunta al Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari ammontava a Kg. 54974.834 mentre il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Napoli nelle bollete di spedizione indicava spediti Kg. 55619;
- che pertanto vi era in complesso un ammanco in arrivo di Kg. 644.166 di carne sciolata;
 - che in tale ammanco sono compresi Kg. 328.425 di pietre, mattoni interi e spezzati e lapilli rinvenuti nell'apertura dei singoli colli;
 - che nei Kg. 54974.834 di carne sciolata effettivamente giunta ed assunta in carico dal Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari, Kg. 137.825 sono costituiti di carne avariata e fortemente attaccata da ruggine non commestibile;
 - che di quanto precede si dà atto con circostanziato verbale perchè il Deposito Speciale Viveri di Bari possa:
 - 1°) - regolarizzare opportunamente l'assunzione in carico delle derrate sulla base del quantitativo effettivamente ricevuto;
 - 2°) - tenere a disposizione della Commissione Allevata di controllo il quantitativo di carne avariata per gli incombenti di conseguenza;
 - 3°) - avere - in qualsiasi momento e per qualsiasi evenienza - elementi dimostrativi della propria gestione e di delimitazione delle proprie responsabilità.

Fatto, letto chiuso e sottoscritto alla data di cui sopra.

(Il Ten. Comm. ALBRIZIO Mario)
F.to Albrizio Mario.

Per concordanza:

(Il Ten. Suss/za. CIPPALUNI Achille)
F.to A. Cippaluni.

(Il Ten. Col. Suss/za SCARPA Luigi)
F.to Luigi Scarpa.

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To: A.D.B.T.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission,
A.C., M.M.I.A. ROME.

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"APPENDIX 1"

Ref: ST/12.

MILA S&T LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS

Name of Depot inspected	Date	Type of Depot i.e. Bulk, D.D. P.O.L. OR Forage:	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer:
Magazzino Militare, Viveri, EARL. (Via Dei Mercati, 3.)	7/6/45	FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.S.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector position.

Satisfactory.

Arrangements being made to absorb certain quantities of Pasta, Salt, and Sugar, etc., into available space here, from TARANTO Bulk Depot, now in process of being closed.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Generally speaking, satisfactory: but standard of tidiness could be improved. C.C. Depot instructed to rectify.

Tally-cards on cigarettes (MILIT) had not been kept up-to-date & certain issues had not been recorded thereon. C.C. Depot instructed to rectify immediately, and initialled.

(c) Accounting Position.

Satisfactory.

"Spot-check" on (i) HERRINGS: stock-in-hand, tally-card, and Commodity A/c (ST/11) agreed, after including items awaiting condemnation.

(ii) RICE: 150.915 Kgs., as per tally-card, checked and weighed: corresponded with entry in ST/11.

Signature of Inspecting
Officer

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E.L. Monck-Mason

DATE: 7th June, 1945.

Rank

Capt., R.A.S.C.

S & T, M.M.I.A., 54 AREA.

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To:-

A.D.S.T.,
Land Forces Sub-Commission, A.S.,
M.M.I.A. ROME.

Ref.: ST/1.

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MMIA SMT LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT

ON INSPECTION OF DEPOTS

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51° Magazzino Viveri, TARANTO. (Taranto Distribution Depot.)	4/6/45	FOOD DISTRIBUTION DEPOT.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

(a) Maintenance of Sector position.
Satisfactory.

(b) Physical Warehousing Position.
Satisfactory.

(c) Accounting Position.

'Spot-check' on COFFEE and CHEESE agreed with Tally-Cards and corresponded with entries in Ledger, but Commodity A/C(ST/11) had NOT been kept up-to-date for three days. O i/c instructed to conform to procedure as laid down by MMIA Accounting Instruction, before keeping own private records.

Signature of Inspecting
Officer

(E.L. MONCK-MASON)
Capt., R.A.S.C.

DATE: 5th June, 1945.

To:-

D.S.T.,

Land Forces Sub-Commission,

A.C., M.E.I.A. ROME.

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Name of Depot inspected	Date	Type of Depot	Rank and Name of Inspecting Officer
9° Deposito Speciale Viveri, BARI. Via Re David, 186.	2/5/45	BULK FOOD DEPOT.	Capt. E.L. Monck-Mason, R.A.S.C.

- (a) Maintenance of Sector position.
Satisfactory.

ADJST *[Signature]*
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- (b) Physical Warehousing Position.

Approx. 300 lbs Meat, Tinned, received ex Naples, awaiting condemnation: large number of bricks & stones found in cases. O.C. Depot instructed to render full report.

General condition: satisfactory.

- (c) Accounting Position. Spot-check on TOMATO PASTE revealed the following SURPLUS, which was taken on charge in ST/II, and endorsed by inspecting officer and O.C. Depot.

Stack No 1.	26 x 40-1/8 lbs cases	=	1043 1/4 lbs	} Checked and agreed with Tally-cards
" No 2.	1092 x 39	=	42508	
" No 3.	16 x 6 1/2	=	1016	
		=	44647 1/4	
			20225.204 Kgs.	

As per entry on Commodity A/C (ST/II) 19733.097

Taken on charge as stated above..... 492.207

Signature of Inspecting Officer

E.L. Monck-Mason

DATE: 3rd June, 1945.

Rank

Capt., R.A.S.C.

REF. No. ST/1.

Further report

[Initials]

Subject:- ST Sector LO's Report

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
C/O 54 Area
SW/1
4 Feb 45.

8 Feb
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To: HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

The reports of this sector are not following the set routine laid down sometime ago by S and T, HQ, MMIA, as there are no personnel to inspect all local depots and as they now need very little supervision it is thought by this office that a more beneficial report could be made by covering items of interest that has not already been covered by letters and signals. These communications in our opinion have already brought before the HQ all information attended and it's useless to repeat their contents:

RAILWAY DETACHMENT

The railroad detachment established at BARI consists of the old Bari Port Detachment. The functions of this detachment are:

1. To see that all railway cars due to be loaded are at the proper siding at the proper time.
2. To see that the cars allocated are of the right type for the particular freight to be hauled.
3. To see that all local traffic is properly used. It has been reported that Italian Military arrange for wagons then these wagons are used for Civilian traffic. This no longer can happen as all bias for local traffic pass through this detachment who in turn send on to this HQ, a list of such traffic.
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5. To report to this Hq. all traffic that moves, as to where and when loaded, to where moved and unloaded, and by what train. Since this detachment has been established there is no railway wagons moved without this office knowing about it.
6. To report to this office all incoming traffic so that this office might check and see if all the movement bids from other Areas are fulfilled.
7. To pass on for immediate action all orders that are issued from this office.
8. To see that bills of Lading are correctly made out.
9. To regulate and control all movements of troops in and out of Bari Stations.
10. To contact Movements, East Italy for any irregular traffic and if difficulties cannot be overcome then this office will help in whatever way they can.

Final

BARLETTA BULK FOOD DEPOT

At Barletta we have a depot that was being originally used for a BRITISH food depot. Since we are able to consider BRITISH food as common stock we have no longer need for this depot. Within another month we will have this depot completely empty. It is suggested that we close it and that the personnel be disbanded as HQ, MILIA see it. There is no need for further personnel here in the Bari Sector.

MAKING OF SOAP

The making of soap has been discontinued since the 1st of Jan. because the War Ministry has not seen it to look far enough into the future to keep a steady output of soap for the Army.

Even though I have repeatedly asked for some assistance from HQ as yet we are not making soap because not until the middle of January did we receive the Caustic Soda, and as to now we have not received any release for the rats necessary to make soap. In Bari there are several plants that have plenty of these necessary ingredients.

It is not a matter of being late only a month and a half but the fact that the Ministry of War are not planning far enough into the future to stop repeated shortages from occurring.

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12 Feb - 1945
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METHOD OF FEEDING US-III

There has been an agreement made between this office and the Adriatic Depot as to the feeding of the US-III's employed within the Bari Sector and one detachment of 200 men stationed at Ancona. The US-III units are to make out their ST 8's bearing a signature of an American Officer by whom they are employed. Then they are issued their rations from III-III food depots as any III-III unit.

The problems that arise are many. According to the Order of Battle is is impossible to locate any particular unit. As practically all units are listed as being within the Foggia Area. The Foggia Area is quite large and it is impossible to serve all units from our Foggia Depot.

METHOD OF FEEDING US-III'S (Cont'd)

It would help the distribution of local resource items if this Hq is furnished a list giving the exact locations of all US-III units within the Bari Sector. AAAF/MFO has been contacted but they are not able to give me all units located within this Area. For example, the 1st Air Service Co was listed as being in Naples but this unit is actually working for the Adriatic Depot, Bari.

OLIVE OIL

Olive Oil is being released from several different towns around Bari whose output of olive oil is not very much. Making of olive oil being a slow process and the fact that the plants are small, we find it rather difficult to obtain a month's quota within that month. Added to this difficulty is the fact that most bids for movement are made from Bari. It is practically impossible to get Movements, East Italy to move railway wagons that are bid for Bari to some nearby local town.

It is suggested that there be an allocation large enough to create a surplus and that this be obtained from many different places with movements from those towns laid on by Hq, MMIA.

Naples would be a ideal location for such surpluses. As the transportation problem there is nothing compared to the problem here.

We have not at any one time been able to supply all demands for Olive Oil made by the Naples sector, and the causes are lack of transportation and the small output of Oil from factories.

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DATA S & T SECTOR LIAISON OFFICERS' WEEKLY REPORTS.

FORTNIGHT

SECTOR BARI

KNOWLEDGE 12 JAN 45. REPORT NO 20

4. Handover of Supplies (Ex Ships or Allied Donots). (See Note below)

1. What new cargoes have been received since last report? NIL.

2. What supplies notified for release from Allied Donots since last report?

Ex 22 CRASC. Hospital Items for JAN. (your ST/9 dated 4 Jan 45 refers).

3. What cargoes have been worked during period under report?

NIL.

4. What releases or Allied Donots have been worked during period under report?

(Ex 22 CRASC.
(2) Disinfectants for DIO. (your ST/17/1 dated 18 Dec 44 refers).
(b) BR-ITI RATIONS. - as advised daily by signal.
(c) Hospital Items for JAN (ref above)

5. Have workings of unloading cargoes during period under report been adequate, and what arrangements for working any or allocation to this have been adopted?

NIL.

6. What have been working conditions in period under report on cargoes and/or releases from Allied Donots for receipt of (a) labour (b) transport?

(1)) See Port L.O.'s report
(11))

7. The documentation of Handover & receipt of official records been satisfactory in period under report?

Yes.

3. What changes have been worked during period under report?
4. What releases or releases?
 - (a) Disinfectants for DEC. (your ST/17/1 dated 18 Dec 44 refers).
 - (b) BR-ITI RATIONS. - as advised daily by signal.
 - (c) Hospital Items for JAN (ref above)
5. Have meetings of incoming officers during period under report been adequate, and what arrangements for meeting any or allocation to this have been adopted?
6. What have been working conditions in period under report on various and/or various days Allied troops in receipt of (a) labor (b) transport?
7. The documentation of handling & execution of official records have satisfactory in period under report?

NIL.

(1)) See Port L.O.'s report
(11))

Yes.

Note:- WHEN MEMORANDUM, CROSS-REFERENCES MAY BE MADE IN THE ANSWERING OF THE FOLLOWING POINTS TO THE PORT WEEKLY REPORT (See Operating Instruction No 3)

B. Maintenance of Section Position

1. In the Section position for your Section satisfactory at time of meeting, and if not, how not?

Yes.
2. In the position of the Section?

Yes.
3. What has been done to other Section have been programmed in period under report, and how have they progressed?

See Appendix "A" to this report.

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a. Physical Working Position (ford). BARLETTA BULK SUB-DEPOT

1. Are supplies properly and neatly stored? Yes; much improved.

2. Are stacks internally ventilated and on suitable dunnage? Yes.

3. Are Stack tally boards in existence and in use? Yes.

4. Are cartons packed & stacked neatly under cover? All Sups. in buildings

5. Are goods covered with heavy-duty heavy canvas? Yes.

6. Is turnover improved by issuing new oldest stock first? Yes.

7. Are materials contained in bags kept well away? (e.g. Cans in floor). Yes.

8. Are outdoor stacks on flat ground which will stand up to truck traffic in wet weather? See 4 above.

9. Is there a Recovery & Salvage Section to sort & re-use broken stock? Yes.

10. How much stock is there awaiting disposal as suspected waste for human consumption? None.
Is it so marked that it cannot reach civilian black market?

11. Is depot clean and tidy? Yes.

Yes.

with temporary housing
camps?

Yes.

6. Is turnover assumed
by sending them oldest
civilians first?

Yes.

7. Are internally contained
civilians kept well
separated? (e.g., Germans &
Poles)?

See 4 above.

8. Are outdoor stables on
farm ground which will
stand up to tank traffic
in use?

9. Is there a Railway &
Salvage Section to sort &
recess broken stock?

Yes.

10. How much stock is there
awaiting disposal
as suspected unfit for
human consumption?

None.

Is it so covered that it
cannot reach civilian
black markets?

11. Is digest clean and tidy?

Yes.

12. What anti-vermin
measures are used?

Improvised traps.

13. Is Dugout adequately
protected against theft,
by method above, night-light
etc?

Yes.

14. What guard arrangements
exist, & do you consider
them adequate?

Adequate - see Report 18

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C. (continued)

15. Are orders for sentries posted up where sentries can see them? No - O.C. will rectify.

16. Are fire precautions adequate & is depot on the telephone? Yes. Yes.

17. "Spot check"?

COMMODITIES CHECKED	SUPPLIES FOUND	DEFICIENCIES FOUND
NIL.	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:

Remarks:- No time available.

18. What is the handling capacity of Depot in 2 1/2 ton trucks per hour for: a. Receipts b. Despatches (a) } Unknown. (b) }

19. Any labour problems?

Civilian labour is paid "by the ton" - not satisfactory. Suggested they be paid on "daily rates"

NIL.

Remarks: No time available.

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(b) }

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20. Are rail cars loaded from Depot properly documented & sealed? Yes.

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21. Any difficulties regarding provision of trucks or rail car guards? Difficulty arisen re provision of trucks, but matter has been since taken up.

REMARKS

A much improved Depot since Report No 18 was submitted.

5 Jan 45.

D. Division Headquarters, Fortification (FOH). SEE SHEET ATTACHED

1. Is the Depot
sufficiently protected
against theft by bandits, etc.,
night lighting, etc?
2. Is there a guard on standing
the night?
Is it sufficient? Do written
guard orders exist?
3. Are there closed periods
in the daytime in these
times when there is a
protection against theft?
If so, how is written
orders there to do?
4. If there are periods, what
measures to the guard have
it taken to prevent
theft of closed periods?
5. Is ground taken care in
use, how any steps been
taken to prevent
theft by slipping?
6. Are proper storage
(40,000, 100,000)
properly stored?
7. Is there a tally
book on each stand? Are
they being used correctly?
8. What arrangements exist
for checking "locations" and
checking for theft
containing? Is it a
daily check?
9. How are packed stores

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in the depths of there a
they ran there as a
prevention against shock?
If so, how do we know
where they go to?

4. If there are pipes, what
happens to the pump legs
if they are broken?
Does it cause problems?
5. If ground tanks are in
use, how are they being
taken to prevent
them by shipping?
6. Are packed stocks
(cans, drums, barrels)
properly secured?
7. Is there a tally
board on each stack? Are
they being used correctly?
8. What arrangements exist
for checking locations and
identifying the stock
containers? Is it a
daily check?
9. How are packed stocks
insured? (Barrel
the barrel basis)?
10. Are packed stock studies
conducted from time to
prevent the spread?
11. Are fire fighting
equipment and fire fight-
ing equipment:
(a) Sufficient?
(b) Sufficiently supplied?
(c) Adequate?

C. Physical Warehousing Position (FOOD) continued

1. BARLETTA D.D.
Inspected this on 5 Jan 45.
As Report No 17. Salvage had been tidied. Books of a/c were in order.
2. BARI D.D.
Inspected this on 8 Jan 45.
Previous reports still apply. Depot in good order. Books of a/c now being entered daily. Due to electric power shortage, less Coffee is being roasted than previously arranged.
3. BARI B.D.
Inspected this on 9 Jan 45.
Previous reports apply except as u/m:
(a) Depot layout has been reorganized.
(b) All stacks had been dunnaged.
(c) W/E Dates are now marked on Tally Cards.
(d) There appeared to be large quantities of various sups past or near Warranty expiration date. Capt. Guthrie will be rendering a report on this matter.
4. LOCOROTONDO D.D.
Inspected this on 11 Jan 45.
As Report No 18 except as u/m:
(a) Books of a/c. These were not being entered daily. O.C. will rectify.
(b) Forage Store lacked traps and fire precautions were insufficient. Tally Cards of this store had not been initialled. O.C. promised to rectify.
5. MONOPOLI D.D.
Inspected this on 12 Jan 45.
As Report No 18 - in order.
New O.C. has made some improvements in Depot layout. One wing of the building had been handed back to civilian owner on instructions of Comm. BARI.
As it is expected that LOCOROTONDO D.D. (under command PICENO DIV) will move shortly and remain in the area.

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D. Physical Warehousing Position (POL).

1. BARLETTA PETROL DEPOT

Inspected on 5 Jan 45.

As Report No 18 - in order.

2. LOCOROTONDO PETROL DEPOT

Inspected on 11 Jan 45.

As report No 18 except u/m:

- (Cont'd)

2. LOCOROTONDO PETROL DEPOT (Cont'd)

- (a) One tank was not properly sealed; Sgt Major i/c "could not remember" when he last inspected the seals.
- (b) There was no guard on the gate and I entered the premises unhalsted.

3. MONOPOLI PETROL DEPOT.

Inspected on 12 Jan 45.

As Report 18 except u/m:

- (a) Salvage had been tidied.
- (b) There was no guard on the gate at the entrance to where the main tanks are located. I roamed at will for 5 minutes before a sentry appeared.

I reported this matter, also the situation in LOCOROTONDO, to the O.C. (CAPT) who is located in MONOPOLI. He will take disciplinary action, but is handicapped by being the only Officer i/c 5 Petrol Depots which are widely dispersed. It is considered that he should have a Lt. to help him.

4. PUTIGNANO PETROL DEPOT

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As Report 18. - in order.

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E. Accounting Position (Food & POL Depots).

1. Are Food depot accounts internally in order, & what checks have you made in period under report?
(OK, ground stocks - tally order - depot stock records - procedure for accounting adjustment of discrepancy?)

See sheet attached

2. What checks have you made as to whether Nation Strength as recorded in Food depot accounts are compared by visits to units concerned?

NIL.

3. Have Unit Nation Pools been produced & appeared to be in order in respect of units visited?

NIL.

4. Have POL depot accounts proved to be internally in order on inspections in period under report?

Yes

5. What checks have you been able to apply of POL issues as recorded by POL depots by means of visits to concerned units concerned?

NIL.

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3. Have Unit Ration Books been produced & accounted to be in order in res out of units visited?

NIL.

4. Have PCL depot accounts proved to be internally in order on inspections in period under report?

Yes

5. What checks have you been able to apply of PCL issues as recorded by PCL reports by means of visits to concerned units concerned?

NIL.

2. Unit's Interior Economy

1. In your opinion are ration books being used to best advantage?

2. Is there an excess-ive amount of left over & loss room waste?

3. Are unit's ration store arrangements satisfactory? Clean cool & well ventilated?

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4. Are unit cooks medically inspected at regular intervals? Are any cooks receiving treatment for V.D. or any contagious disease?
5. Are anti fly precautions in ration store, kitchen & mess room satisfactory?
6. How is kitchen & mess room waste disposed of?
7. Are kitchen & mess room thoroughly clean?
8. What fuel is used for cooking?
9. Is the bread well made? Did you check weight a loaf? (Standard wt = 300 grams)
10. Are issues from Ration Store to kitchen properly controlled on basis of actual number of mouths to be fed each day?
11. How are men fed who are away from unit all day on duty?
12. Are food cans buried or burnt to prevent breeding of flies?
13. Is there a Unit Messing Officer appointed?
14. Does the unit try to augment the ration by growing anything itself?
15. Did you see a meal served? What were your impressions?

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15. Did you see a meal served?
What were your impressions
of it?

16. Is any attempt made to use
up left-overs from meals?

17. Has unit any Vehicles?

18. Are the vehicles clean
and well maintained?

19. How many are off the road
as non-runners? Why
are they off the road?

G. Visits to Head of Section, Communications.

Date of visit	Persons visited	Information by you	Action required by J.I.C.F.
Various	BARLETTA B.D. - electric light; ing system re-; quires re-wiring	Informed Comm who has taken matter up	NIL.
	BARLETTA B.D. - necessity of; continual turn; over of stocks	Informed Comm.	NIL.
	MONOPOLI D.D. - Discussed with; Depot accomm; odation.	Comm - see page 5	NIL.
	LOCOROTONDO D.D. - Informed Comm.		NIL.
	books of a/c; not in order		

H. General (To include any points of general interest discovered during the work).

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A/m Officer visited this office during his tour and discussed various S.T. problems.
2. ST. PERSONNEL
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3. ALLIED MATCHES
Ref your ST/106 dated 17 Sep 44. Will you please give disposal instructions for existing stocks of a/m which are taking up Depot space.

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K.

K. Freeland, Capt
NMIA Sector L.O. S.T.

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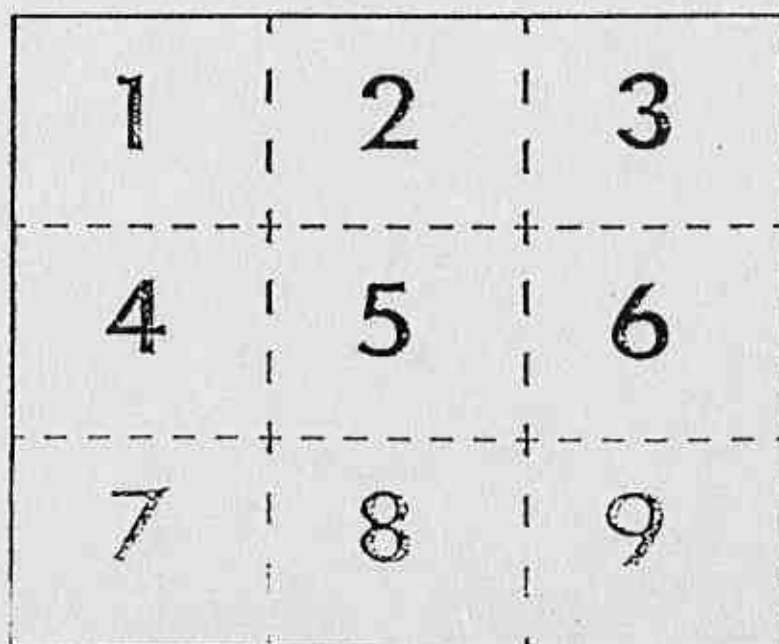
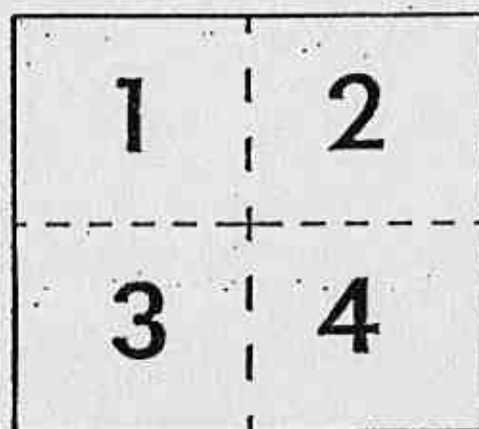
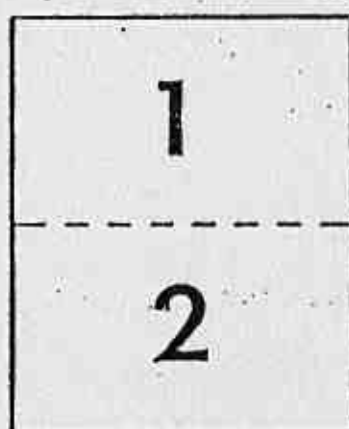
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20. What is being done to obtain spare parts?
21. Any difficulties over getting P.O.I.?
22. Is unit training any drivers?
23. If officers have any from unit, how do they get to and fro between unit & billets?
24. Are vehicles properly on charge to a nominated driver?
25. Has unit a POL Store or DLEP?
If so, is it:
a. Away from other buildings?
b. Clean?
c. Properly safeguarded?
d. Equipped with fire fighting appliances?
26. Are issues of POL to vehicles made on basis of duly authorised Trip chits (Work Tickets)?
If not, what is the system?
27. Do the men look cheerful & alert, or are they apathetic?
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31. Did you hear or note anything during your visit which led you to suspect - (arrest among personnel (officers & men)?
b. Pro Fascist activities or tendencies?
c. Pro German activities or tendencies?
d. Unwillingness to help Allied cause? e. Leakage in Allied security
32. Has Unit Commander any complaints or suggestions to make on any matter affecting his unit?
33. Any further remarks?

MAPS AND CHARTS TOO LARGE TO FILM
ON ONE EXPOSURE ARE FILMED CLOCKWISE
BEGINNING IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER,
LEFT TO RIGHT, AND TOP TO BOTTOM.

SEE DIAGRAMS BELOW.



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COMANDO TERRITORIALE DI

Direzione di Commissariato - 1

SPEDIZIONI EFFETTUATE DAL SETTORE DI PARI DAL 30 DICEMBRE 19

Località	Farina Kg.	Pasta Kg.	Formaggi scatol. Kg.	Riso Kg.	Salmone Kg.	Carne scatolata Kg.	Salicidia inglesi Kg.	Zucchero Kg.	Caffè Kg.	Vegetali assortiti Kg.	Legumi Kg.	Papere Kg.
Napoli		80860/ps							16308	33363/ps		
Catania	36240		26636/ps									
Catanzaro				611/530			11551/500					
Ortona	27506/ps	8493/ps	2473/ps	1585/500	2174/ps	4130/ps	3003/ps	2500/ps	1167/ps	1071/ps	2421/ps	21/ps
Roma												
Iesi (p. Macerata)												
Brindisi		1000 ⁽⁶⁾										
Taranto												
G. C. Segnano												

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Garanto

G. C. Segnano

- Note:
- (1) - Inviato con autocarro.
 - (2) - di cui Kg. 4295/200 inviati con autocarro.
 - (3) - di cui Kg. 4375 inviati con autocarro.

Bari, li 13 gennaio 1945. =

VISTO:

IL COLONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Angelo La Zera)

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IL TENENTE COMMISSARIO
(ALBRIZIO Mario)

CONNELLO COMMISSARIO DIRETTORE
(Angelo La Zarr)

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Albrizio

PORT DETACHMENT LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT

During this period I moved the Port Detachment (Italian) over and made a Railway Detachment to supervise loading and off loading of all commodities for Italian Military. These men were put under the supervision of the Director of Transport. They not only handle supplies for S & T but for Ordnance as well.

We have no Allied personnel working with this Detachment as there are none available at the present time. In order to accomplish the required task with transportation, it is requested that MMIA Movements furnish this office with a complete bid for all traffic.

Geo. C. Guthrie

Geo. C. Guthrie, Capt.
Port Liaison Officer
for Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area

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