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Rations. Patriots / Partisans

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(Original in Q/58)

TRANSLATION

SUBJECT: Rationing of Patriots

FROM : MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref: 4530/S/1

TO : MMIA

Date: 12th May 45.

Further to your request, we inform you that, both this Ministry and the one in Occupied Italy, do not think that the strength of Patriots, incl 100,000 men calculated by you, can have any increase.

"S & T," MMIA.

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s/d The General Director.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION.
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB-COMMISSION.
PATRIOTS BRANCH.

S & T. MINTA.

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Tel. Ext. 321

11 May 1945.

Ref. 94/6/PAT

Subject: Rations for Partisans

To: A/President
Chief Commissioner
Ex. Commissioner
Economic Section
Food Sub Com. (Attn. Lt.Col. IMRIE)
Land Forces Sub Comm. (2)
File (2)

The text of signal FX 70793 of 5 May has been checked with AFHQ, who state that para C should read as follows:

"C" "What success can be expected if rations are furnished without the portion now being received from US/British Military sources. Upon receipt of this information the matter will be further examined."

F. CRAIG,
Lt. Colonel
Deputy Director
Local Govt. Sub Com.

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SECRET

SUBJECT:- Food for Italian Partisans.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/62/8

24 April 45.

1. Arrangements have been made with the Italian War Ministry to provide about three million rations (Italian portion only of the ration scale) to be available at the Naples Italian Bulk Depot during the first week in May 1945 for feeding Italian Partisans.
2. It is, of course, not known what demands will have to be met by 5 Army, 5 Army (British Increment) and 8 Army and, therefore, arrangements cannot yet be made to handover to 14 C.R.A.S.C. and P.B.S.
3. It would, however, be appreciated if formations would submit demands as early as possible so that supplies can be sent forward as early as possible.

KFC/jc

Copy to:- MEMO LO NAPLES.

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

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SUBJECT:- Issue of Cigarettes to Patriot Units.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.
(M.M.I.A.).
ST/62/8

Ministry of War.

10 23 April 45.

Your letter 3460/S/1 of 19 April 45 refers.

1. Instructions have been issued that cigarettes are to be issued with the normal ration to Italian Patriot Units.
2. Patriots Branch A.C. was advised specifically in reply to its query on 9 April 45 concerning the above.

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

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TRANSLATION

FROM : Ministry of War
TO : MMIA
INFO : G.A. Office SMRE.

8460/S/1

19 April 45

SUBJECT:- Issue of cigarettes to patriot units.

The Ministry for Occupied Italy, in letter 600/D/1 of 5 April, has informed us that it has received the following letter from Colonel Craig, director of the Patriot Branch:

"Patriots in the Pescia, Florence and Ravenna Centres are not being issued with cigarette or tobacco ration.

Since these patriots enjoy the same treatment as Italian military personnel, it would be desirable that they should be issued with tobacco on the same scale, namely 5 cigarettes daily; if you cannot make provisions for such an issue, please come to an agreement with the Ministry of War for the authorisation of the drawing of cigarettes from the same units which provide the Italian Army with tobacco, on a basis of the daily strengths of the Patriot Centres".

We inform you of this so that you may give appropriate orders to the Allied units concerned. Please inform us of the action taken.

S & T, MMIA.

Recd 21 Apr

Sgd. Gen. Pelligra

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TRANSLATION.

Translated by: U. B. R. Curlyan.
FROM: Min. of War.

SERIAL No

Date: 21 April.
Ref No: 8460/S/1
Date: 19 April.

TO: MMIA
(Info/Action)

In reply to:
Info C.A. Office SMRE.

SUBJECT: - Issue of cigarettes to patriot units.

The Ministry for Occupied Italy, in letter 600/D/1 of 5 April, has informed us that it has received the following letter from Colonel Craig, director of the Patriot Branch:

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Since these patriots enjoy the same treatment as Italian military personnel it would be desirable that they should be issued with tobacco ^{scale} on the same quantities.

namely, 5 cigarettes daily; if you cannot make provisions for such an issue, please come to an agreement with the Ministry of War for the authorization of the drawing of cigarettes from the same units which provide the Italian Army with tobacco, on a basis of the daily strengths of the Patriot Centres."

We inform you of this so that you may give appropriate orders to the Allied units concerned. ~~and~~ Please inform us of ^{the} ~~your~~ action taken.

Signed Pellegrin



MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE SERVIZI COMMISSARIATO ED AMMINISTRATIVI
Divisione Sussistenze

Sezione I^a

856a.P.M.3800 19 APR 1945

Prot. N° 8460 S/1 Allegati

Risposta al f.° del

Div. Sez. N°

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

R O M A

Oggetto. Distribuzione tabacchi ai reparti di patrioti.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO S.M.R.E.- Ufficio C.A.

S E D E

Il Ministero dell'Italia Occupata, con foglio 600/D/I del 5 c.m. ha comunicato di aver ricevuto dal Colonnello GRAIG, direttore del Patriot Branch, la seguente lettera:

" Ai patrioti ospitati nei Centri di Pescia, Firenze e Ravenna non vengono distribuite razioni di sigarette o tabacchi.

Poichè detti patrioti godono dello stesso trattamento dei militari italiani dei reparti d'impiego, sarebbe desiderabile che ad essi venissero distribuiti anche i tabacchi in misura analoga, cioè 5 sigarette giornaliere; e pertanto se codesto Ministero non potesse provvedere direttamente a tali distribuzioni, si prega prendere accordi col Ministero della Guerra tali da autorizzare il prelevamento in base alla forza giornaliera dei Centri Patrioti, presso i medesimi enti che provvedono ai rifornimenti di tabacchi al R. Esercito Italiano."

Si porta quanto sopra a conoscenza di codesta Sottocommissione per le disposizioni che riterrà opportuno impartire ai competenti organi Alleati e delle quali si gradirà ricevere cortese comunicazione.

P. IL MINISTRO
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

S. T. BRANCH

TOP SECRET

SUBJECT: Food for Italian Partisans

AFHQ/64/13/ST6

Tel: Freedom 499

19 April, 1945

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D.D.S.T., Fifth Army
D.D.S.T., Eighth Army (Rear)
D.D.S.T., No. 1 District
D.D.S.T., No. 2 District
A.D.S.T., M.M.I.A.

1. AFHQ Signal FX 60192 of 14 April 45 authorises 15 Army Group to proceed with the feeding of Italian Partisans to the extent to which 15 Army Group consider it operationally necessary.
2. The Partisans will be issued with the Italian Armed Forces ration scale. Allied Commission is repaying to the Military the portion of the ration equivalent to the share which the individual Partisans would have received had they been confined to the civilian basic ration. M.M.I.A. will be responsible for supplying the normal Italian provisioned items.
3. Departmental procedure will be as follows :
 - (a) M.M.I.A. Form ST.8 will be used for indents. The words "Italian Partisans" will be written clearly, in brackets, after the name of the demanding unit. This is most important.
 - (b) Rations for Partisans will be included in the demand for rations for Italian Armed Forces, but the number of Partisans included will be shown. (e.g. 37,000 Italian, incl. 7,000 Partisans).
 - (c) Weekly Soro Return will include Partisan issues in clear after Soro O (e.g. O 40,000 Partisans 7,000). Soro O will NOT include Partisans.
 - (d) All action for reclaiming food from A.C. will be taken by this Directorate on the figures received under (c).

"S. T. Branch"

Recd 20 Apr

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W. H. C. ...
Major-General,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Copy to: D.D.S.T., 15 Army Group

G-5, A.F.H.Q.
'Q' (Maint), A.F.H.Q.

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21 Apr*

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