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ST/522 JtA Army P.O.L. Forecasts
June - Oct. 1945

SUBJECT :- P.O.L. for Italian Army.

1st Oct 45

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)
ROME
Tel : Roma 489084 Ext 526

To :- AFHQ Pot Rep., R.A.M.

4 Oct 45

1. Reference your PIR 30/8/45 dated 25 Sept, the following comments are made.

2. It was observed, in para 3 of our SI/1609/A dated 29 June 45 that the figures shown therein did not constitute a "bid" for P.O.L., since the exact composition of the Italian Army had not yet been decided by AFHQ. The final composition of this army has still not been determined, and it would therefore not be sound to base future forecasts on the estimates given in our above-quoted letter.

3. With reference to para 3 of your letter, there would have been no difficulty in supplying you with vehicles M4/T08, in respect of the Combat groups, but it was understood that you wished to prepare the allocation to these Groups on the basis of past average consumption, rather than on vehicle holdings multiplied by the factors at present used for ITI-ITI units.

As regards the increase in ITI-ITI requirements for October, this is due to the inclusion in the bid of the Gruppi Tatt units as far as authorised for continued operation, but which previously drew P.O.L. from Allied Sources. Such units are not included in bids made by Gruppi. In addition, it must be remembered that the Allies have previously been in a position to assist the Italian Army with the occasional loan of Ppt for supply duties; such assistance is unlikely to continue, and, with this in view, it is probable that there will be further increases in the amount of ITI-ITI Ppt authorized to operate in the near future.

4. It is thought that the intended November allocation mentioned in para 4 of your letter will fall considerably short of actual requirements. At Appx 'A' is shown a comparison between the demand for OCTOBER, the amounts allocated by your office for OCTOBER and those proposed for NOVEMBER. It is not considered that any reduction can be made in the allocation either to the ITI-ITI or Tatt Unit Groups; this will result in only the following quantities being available to the Combat Groups :-

MT 80	-	17,844	barrels
Gasol	-	244	"

against their October requirement of :-

MT 80	-	27,356	barrels
Gasol	-	1138	"

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1. References your PFI 30/3/50 dated 25 Sept, the following comments are made.
2. It was observed, in para 3 of our SE/1609/A dated 29 June 45 that the figures shown therein did not constitute a "bid" for P.O.L., since the exact composition of the Interim Italian Army had not yet been decided by AFHQ. The final composition of this army has still not been determined, and it would therefore not be sound to base future forecasts on the estimates given in our above-quoted letter.
3. With reference to para 3 of your letter, there would have been no difficulty in supplying you with vehicles MA/TGs, in respect of the Combat groups, but it was understood that you wished to prepare the allocation to these groups on the basis of past average consumption, rather than on vehicle holdings multiplied by the factors at present used for III-III units.
As regards the increase in III-III requirements for October, this is due to the inclusion in the bid of the Gruppo Tail units so far authorised for continued operation, but which previously drew P.O.L. from Allied sources. Such units are not included in bids made by Gruppo. In addition, it must be remembered that the Allies have previously been in a position to assist the Italian Army with the occasional loan of Tpt for supply duties; such assistance is unlikely to continue, and, with this in view, it is probable that there will be further increases in the amount of III-III Tpt authorised to operate in the near future.
4. It is thought that the intended November allocation mentioned in para 4 of your letter will fall considerably short of actual requirements. At Appx 'A' is shown a comparison between the demand for OCTOBER, the amount allocated by your office for OCTOBER and those proposed for NOVEMBER. It is not considered that any reduction can be made in the allocation either to the III-III or Tail Unit Groups; this will result in only the following quantities being available to the Combat Groups :-

MT 80	-	17,844	barrels
Gasoil	-	241	"

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against their October requirement of :-

MT 80	-	27,356	barrels
Gasoil	-	1138	"
5. Will you please confirm that you require bids in respect of November to be submitted on a vehicle strength basis in respect of all categories of the Italian Army.

W.P. Kelly *Chief*

For Major General,
M.I.I.A.

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APPENDIX 'A'

	<u>OCTOBER REQUEST</u>		<u>OCTOBER ALLOCATION</u>		<u>PROPOSED NOVEMBER ALLOCATION</u>	
	MT 80	GASOIL	MT 80	GASOIL	MT 80	GASOIL
ITI-ITI (including Gruppi Tail Units)	(7015 (352	3783 176	7037	3999		
Combat Groups.	27,356	1138	21,117	883		
TOTAL	34,723	5,097	28,154	4882	25,211	4200

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	<u>OCTOBER REMOVAL</u>		<u>OCTOBER ALLOCATION</u>		<u>PROPOSED NOVEMBER ALLOCATION</u>	
	MT 80	GASOIL	MT 80	GASOIL	MT 80	GASOIL
(including Grupp Tail Units)	(7015 352	3783 176	7037	3999		
Groups.	27,356	1138	21,117	885		
TOTAL	34,723	5,097	28,154	4882	25,211	4200

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AFHQ PETROLEUM SECTION
ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO #794

PET 30/B/20

CDP/efm
25 September 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army POL Requirements

TO: HQ. A.C., Land Force Sub-Commission, (MMIA)
APO 394.

1. Confirming conversation Colonel King - Major Peterson - Captain Simpson.

2. This section feels that the amounts of POL shown in column "F" of the attachment to your ST/1609/A of 29 June 1945, subject "POL Forecasts" should be taken as more or less firm annual motor fuel requirements of the Italian Army. The Italian Army would then be given a total gasoline and gasoline allocation of 29,411 barrels to divide amongst the Iti-Iti units previously supplied and the Gruppi.

3. This section wishes to state that it does not approve the basis on which October's allocation is being made to the Gruppi in the absence of firm vehicle figures, but has made an exception due to the time element. Furthermore an exception has been made in increasing the Iti-Iti allocation for October over September.

4. For November this section intends to allocate for the Italian Army. (Iti-Iti and Gruppi)

M.T. 80 Gasoline	25,211	bbls
Gasoil	4,200	"
Kerosene	150	"
Motor Oil	835	"
Grease	14,700	lbs
Gear Oil	147	bbls

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It will be the responsibility of your Sub-Section and the Italian Ministry of War to advise C.I.P. where you wish the products made available.

5. Any comments that you may wish to make on the above will be appreciated.

John L. King
JOHN L. KING
Colonel, QMC
Petroleum Section

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Subject :- P.O.L. forecasts.

SE/1609/A

29 June 45

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (ISCIA)

Rome

Tel : Rome 489041 Ext 526

To :- AMM FEE SEC., RASO.

1. Ref your FEE 30/B/19 dated 6 June 45.

1. Attached Annex "A" sets out the vehicle WE/TO of all Italian Army Units at present authorised, with the exception of IR-ITI and US-ITI Service troops, together with comparative figures showing the estimated yearly consumption calculated both on a vehicle WE/TO and on a gallonage per head basis. Figures showing the average yearly consumption, based on actual monthly consumption, are also included in column "F".

2. It has been assumed, as tentatively agreed, that IR-ITI and US-ITI Service troops will continue to draw P.O.L. from Allied Sources until disbanded.

3. It will be appreciated that the number of Italian Army Units which may be authorised to operate in the future is dependent on the policy of AMM, and the figures given herewith represent the present position only, and must in no way be considered as a "bid".

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John Lewis
Lt. Col. ADST.,
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (ISCIA).

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ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION OF M.T. FUEL FOR 1 YEAR BY MR-ITI COMBAT TROOPS AND ITI-ITI TROOPS AT PRESENT

	<u>A</u> Strength WE/TO personnel	H/O	<u>B</u> Vehicle WE/TO			<u>C</u> Calculated on 1,3 and 8 American gals a day per veh.	POL CONSUMPTION (Barrels)
			P/V	L/O	O/V		<u>D</u> Calculated AT 1 RR gal per man per day.
ITI-ITI Troops	70,865	722	395	1762	-	120,000	728,897
Combat Troops	61,150	2291	674	6583	482	444,912	627,543
TOTALS	132,015	3013	1069	8345	482	564,912	1,356,440
ALOON Truck Group	-	380	204	2600	-	186,780	-

NOTE :- (M.T. Fuel figures in Barrels).

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APPENDIX "A".

ESTIMATION OF M.T. FUEL FOR 1 YEAR BY NR-ITI COMBAT TROOPS AND ITI-ITI TROOPS AT PRESENT STRENGTH.

TO	POL CONSUMPTION (Barrels)				F
	B	C	D	E	
M/C	Vehicle WE/TO P/V L/O	Calculated on 1,3 and 8 American gals a day per veh.	Calculated AT 1 BR gal per man per day.	Calculated 1/4 BR gal per man per day.	Actual Average in Barrels taken over 3 months.
722	395 1762	- 120,000	728,397	182,224	120,000
2291	674 6583	482 444,912	627,543	156,885	232,934
3013	1069 8345	482 564,912	1,356,440	339,110	352,934
380	204 2600	- 186,780	-	-	154,284

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ESTIMATED CONSUMPTION OF M.T. FUEL FOR 1 YEAR BY BR-ITI COMBAT TROOPS AND ITI-ITI TROOPS AT PRESENT STRENGTH.

	A ^{WE/TO} Strength personnel	B ^{Strength as W. E.} Vehicle M/C P/V L/C O/V				C Calculated on 1, 3 and 8 gals a day per veh.	D Calculated AT 1 ^{BR} gal. per man per day.
		M/C	P/V	L/C	O/V		
ITI-ITI Troops	70,865 65,700	722	395	1762	-	120,000	728,897 334,276
Combat Troops	61,150	2291	674	6583	482	444,912	503,232 627,543
TOTALS	126,850 132,015	3013	1069	8345	482	564,912	737,508 1,356,440
ALCOM Truck Group	-	380	204	2600	-	186,780	-

NOTE :- (M.T. Fuel figures in barrels)

APPENDIX "A".

FUEL FOR 1 YEAR BY BR-ITI COMBAT TROOPS AND ITI-ITI TROOPS AT PRESENT STRENGTH.

TO	B Vehicle Strength as W. E.				C Calculated on 1, 3 and 8, gals a day per veh.	POL CONSUMPTION (BARRELS)		F Actual Average in Barrels.
	M/C	P/V	L/C	O/V		D Calculated AT 1 gal. per man per day.	E Calculated 1/4 gal. per man per day.	
722	395	1762	-	-	120,000	728,897 234,276	58,569 182,224	120,000
2291	674	6583	482	482	444,912	503,232 627,543	125,808 156,885	232,934
3013	1069	8345	482	482	564,912	737,508 1,356,440	184,377 339,110	352,934
380	204	2600	-	-	186,780	-	-	154,284

Barrels)

(I) APPENDIX "B".

(II)

(III)

(a)	Personnel W.E.		8285 (each Gruppi)	70,8 (tot)
(b)	VEHICLES PER 10,000 MEN BASED ON WE/TO	Motorcycles Cars Load-Carriers Specialised Vehs.	455 130 1300 105	1 2
(c)	based on vehicle WE/TO multiplied by factors as under :- M/C - 1 gall (US)/veh/DIV Cars - 5 do do L/C - 8 do do	MT 80 GASOIL (DERV)	281,000 -	10,9 20,1
(d)	based on 1/3 gall (BR) per man per day	MT 80 GASOIL (DERV)	100,000 -	66,6 33,3
(e)	based on 1/2 gall (BR) per man per day for Gruppi and 1/4 gall (BR) per man per day ITI-ITI.	MT 80 GASOIL (DERV)	150,000 -	50,0 25,0

P. O. L. REQUIREMENTS PER
10,000 MEN PER MONTH (30 DAYS)
Figures in BR. GALLS.

APPENDIX "B".

		(II) COMBAT 2 8885 (each Group)	(III) ITL-ITL 70,865 (total)	(IV) AVERAGE
MEN	Motorcycles	455	107	281
	Cars	130	53	91
	Load-Carriers	1300	256	770
	Specialised Vehs.	105	18	61
ME/TO multiplied	MT 80	281,000	40,966	} 171,225 (galls. fuel.)
(US)/veh/21500	GASOIL (DERIV)	-	20,483	
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(BR)	MT 80	100,000	66,666	} 100,000 (galls. fuel.)
	GASOIL (DERIV)	-	33,333	
(BR) per man per	MT 80	150,000	50,000	} 112,500 (galls. fuel.)
and 1/4 gall (BR) per	GASOIL (DERIV)	-	25,000	
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AFHQ PETROLEUM SECTION

ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

Tel:- ROME 478875

PET 30/B/19

6 June 45

S.T. 7/19

SUBJECT: Supplies of Petroleum to
Italian Armed Forces.

Land Forces Sub-Commission, H.M.I.A., APO 394.
Air Forces Sub-Commission, HQ. A.C., APO 394.
Navy Sub-Commission, HQ. A.C., APO 394.

1. At present the Italian combat forces serving under the direct operational command of Allied Headquarters, are drawing supplies of petroleum through the Allied Army supply channels. This is in accordance with AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 49.
2. The time is shortly approaching when it will be desirable to arrange for the Italian Armed Forces to draw their requirements nationally, and to make their own arrangements for internal distribution.
3. For some time to come, it is anticipated that the world supply and tanker situation will make it desirable to restrict the consumption of petroleum in all countries. In order that this Section may plan for future importation, it is requested that you will arrange for this Section to be supplied with an estimate of the requirements of the Italian Armed Forces, under the 12 months commencing 1 July 45. This estimate should be supported by as good information as is available, of the equipment for which these supplies will be necessary.

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