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ST/531 Driver Training BR-ITI - Service Troops
Dec. 1944 - May 1945

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FROM MMIA LO 54 AREA

051000A

TO MMIA

ST/423

CONFIDENTIAL

Ref your Phone call STANTON/FREELAND (.) The following 3 ton G S. Class 5 vehicles are earmarked for TRANI Camp at 409 R V P awaiting your decision (.)

4 x 4 Ford

4626513 1267864 4513582 4720266

4713919 r x 2 Ford 5225524 45323679

4 x 4 Chev 4726729 4721355 4974726 4519109

4 x 2 Dodge 5226076 5226901

6 x 4 Austin 98704 4 x 2 Austin

4675928 4 x 4 Camper 620510

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MMIA Dist: G (2)

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SECRETSUBJECT:- Disbandment of Units - Italian Army.ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-1(BR)/1074/A.1.(Ser. 2383)INFO COPY
ONLY280 SCHOOL OF DRIVING.

1. The above mentioned Unit on W.E. CM/757/1 will be disbanded with effect from 10 Jun 45 under the supervision of HQ No.3 District at POLIGNANO.

2. PERSONNEL

Will be disposed of under arrangements Land Forces Sub Commission, AC (MILA).

3. EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT

(a) Will be disposed of as follows:-

- (i) Ordnance Stores to RSD, 557 BOD.
- (ii) Italian equipment under arrangements Land Forces Sub Commission, AC (MILA).
- (iii) 53 X 3 ton vehicles to Combat Rft Gp Trg Centre CESANO under arrangements HQ No.3 District and HQ RLAC. Remainder of tpt under arrangements HQ No.3 District.

(b) A list of all vehicles returned to Ord will be sent to G.1.(B), AFHQ, CEF, and G.1.(B) 4, GAC MEF, showing:-

(i) W.D. Numbers	(ii) Type
(iii) Make	(iv) To whom returned.

4. STATIONERY

Will be disposed of as follows:-

- (i) Army Forms, Books and Stationery - to No.21 Stationery Depot.
- (ii) Publications (incl file copies of GROs & ACIs) to No.10 Publications Depot.
- (iii) Office Machinery - to No.21 Stationery Depot (to be vouchered back on A.F.G. 1033 - copy vouchers to ADPSS, AFHQ).

5. POSTAL

Attention is directed to GRO 683/43.

6. COMPLETION

HQ No.3 District will report to G.1.(B), AFHQ, copy to G.3(ORG.A) Foreign, AFHQ, when disbandment is complete.

7. ACKDISTRIBUTION:-

The Under Secretary of State,
The War Office (S.D.2.)

GAC MEF

G.1.15 Army Group

CG Fifth (US) Army (for Dr Inor)

HQ Eighth Army

HQ No.1 District

HQ No.2 District

HQ No.3 District

Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

G.1.(BR) 4.9/10

+++ G.3.(Org.A) Foreign

G.3.(Org.2) (Manpower)

G.3.(Org.2) (ORDAT)

G.3.(Trg)

G.3.(Medint)

G.3.(A.E.)

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arrangements HQ No. 2 District
under arrangements HQ No. 3 District.

- (b) A list of all vehicles returned to Ord will be sent to J. (AE), AFHQ, GHF, and J. (AE) 4, GHQ, MEF, showing:-

(i) W.D. Numbers	(ii) Type	(iv) To whom returned.
(iii) Make		

4. STATIONERY

Will be disposed of as follows:-

- (i) Army Forms, Books and Stationery - to No. 21 Stationery Depot.
- (ii) Publications (incl file copies of GROs & AICs) to No. 10 Publications Depot.
- (iii) Office Machinery - to No. 21 Stationery Depot (to be vouchered back on A.F.G. 1033 - copy vouchers to ADFSS, AFHQ).

5. POSTAL

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7. ACK

*Field Marshal,
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GHQ MEF

GC 15 Army Group

CG Fifth (US) Army (for Dr Incr)

HQ Eighth Army

HQ No. 1 District

HQ No. 2 District

HQ No. 3 District

GH 2nd Echelon

GH 2nd Echelon (STATS)

HQ RMAC

HQ Land Forces Sub Commission,

Allied Commission (MMLL)

GH Publications Depot, J & S.S.

No. 10 Publications Depot, RMSC

No. 8 Command Pay Office

No. 21 Stationery Depot

Signalmaster, CASERTA

RSD, 557 D.O.D.

* Incl copy for unit disbanding and distribution as necessary.

4	G.1. (Br) A.9/10	(10)
3	+++ G.3. (Org. A) Foreign	(2)
6	G.3. (Org. 2) (Manpower)	
2	G.3. (Org. 2) (ORBAT)	
3	G.3. (Trg)	
3	G.3. (Maint)	
3	G.3. (A.E.)	
9	S.T.	
9	Ord. (Br)	
	D.M.T.	
	R.E.M.E.	
9	F.A.	
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	A.D.P.S.S.	
	D.D.A.P.S.	
	Historical Sec	(2)
	War Diary	
	M & D	

+++ ASD/922.8(B)1 of 31 May 45 refers

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INTER OFFICE MINUTE.

ST/1702.

To:- Q/2.
(in absence
of ADST).

1. Since this is a BR-TFI Unit, the question of Vehicle Documentation surely rests with the supervisory authority - in this case 3 DISTRICT - who would no doubt direct that this should be the responsibility of the British Cadre. Vehicle evacuations and replacements would be dealt with in the same way in accordance with normal Br. procedure.
2. Do not feel ST competent to answer para 4.

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21 May 45.

File
66/5/2 dated 16 May

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 Subj. Joining Instructions for 280 Italian Driving and Maintenance School.

"S. A. T. L. C. A."

Ref. 66/D/14

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26 Nov

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M.M.I.A.
 BARI.

Herewith joining instructions and analysis of future courses to be held at this School.

1. Rates of assembly and disbandment of courses will be as laid down in the attached Appendix "A" to these instructions.
2. Students will be collected from Trani by 280 I.D.M.S. at 1400 hrs. on day of assembly.
3. All students will be in possession of clothing & necessities as laid down in Appendix "B" to these instructions.
4. On completion of course students will be returned to Trani by 280 I.D.M.S. in the afternoon of the day the course disbands.
5. In order that "R.T.Us" are reduced to a minimum, students should be carefully selected.
6. The number of vacancies for each course will be 200. Where it is considered necessary by O.C. British Cadre that backward students will, with some additional training, reach the required standard, then a proportionate number less than 200 will be required for the next course. The number of students likely to be held back for additional training will be notified to all concerned by O.C. British Cadre on the Thursday of the final week.

(sgd) ?????? Capt.
 O.C. BRITISH CADRE.
 280 I.D.M.S.

20th March 1946

Copy to D.M.T. 56 Area. 1
 " " " BRANCH 54 AREA 1
 " " " O.C. ITALIAN WING 280 I.D.M.S. 2
 " " " FILE

M.M.I.A. G.
FILE: 61/271
DATE: 25 Nov

S.T.

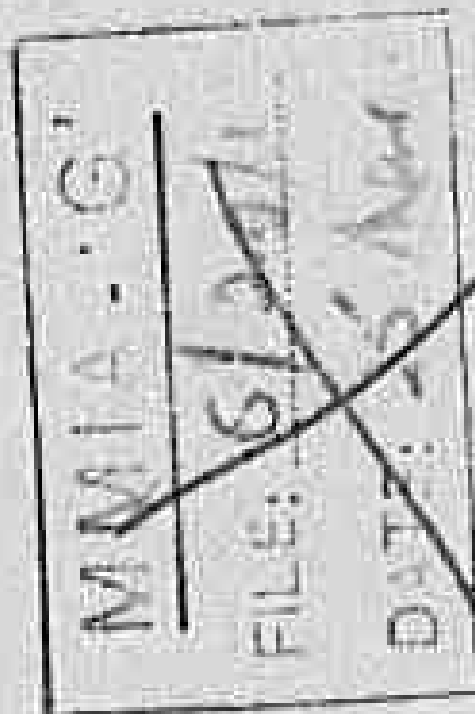
To HQ MIA for WFO

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3. All students will be in possession of clothing & necessities as laid down in Appendix "B" to these instructions.
4. On completion of course students will be returned to Trani by 280 I.D.M.S. in the afternoon of the day the course disbands.
5. In order that "A.T.Us" are reduced to a minimum, students should be carefully selected.
6. The number of vacancies for each course will be 200. Where it is considered necessary by O.C. British Cadre that backward students will, with some additional training, reach the required standard, then a proportionate number less than 200 will be required for the next course, the number of students likely to be held back for additional training will be notified to all concerned by O.C. British Cadre on the Thursday of the final week.

20th March 1945

(sgd) ??????? Capt.
O.C. BRITISH CADRE.
280 I.D.M.S.



Copy to D.M.T. 56 Area. 1
" " " BRANCH 54 AREA 1
" " " O.C. ITALIAN WING 280 I.D.M.S. 3
" " " FILE 2

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To HQ MMIA for info

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COPYAppendix "A" to Joint Instructions for 280 I.D. U.S.

For easy reference and to ensure the prompt arrival of students, herewith analysis of future courses to be held at this school.

ANALYSIS OF COURSES

COURSE NO.	ASSEMBLY	Driving Instruction	Driving Instruction	Driving Instruction	Driving Course
1	28 March	2 April to 7 April	8 April to 14 April	16 April to 21 April	23 April to 28 April
2	2 May	7 May to 12 May	14 May to 19 May	21 May to 26 May	28 May to 2 June
3	6 June	11 June to 16 June	18 June to 23 June	25 June to 30 June	2 July to 7 July
4	11 July	16 July to 21 July	23 July to 28 July	30 July to 4 Aug	6 Aug to 11 Aug
					12 Aug

The time of lapse for three days between the date of assembly and the commencement of Driving & Maintenance Instruction is usually employed for:

Medical Inspections
Inoculations
Primary Driving Tests
Squadding
Opening Address & Lectures etc.

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20 March 1945

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O.C. BRITISH CADRE
280 I.D.M.S.

2	2 May	7 May to 12 May	14 May to 19 May	21 May to 26 May	28 May to 2 June	3 June
3	6 June	11 June to 16 June	18 June to 23 June	25 June to 30 June	2 July to 7 July	8 July
4	11 July	16 July to 21 July	23 July to 28 July	30 July to 4 Aug	6 Aug to 11 Aug	12 Aug

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20 March 1946

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O.C. BRITISH CADRE
280 I.D.M.S.

Appendix A to Joining Instructions for 208 I.D.M.S.

Personnel reporting to this School for the Driving and Maintenance Course will be in possession of the u/m articles:

Blouse Battle dress	1
Trousers Battle dress	1
Shirts cotton	2
Belt Web	1
Drawers Wool	2
Vests or pullover	
(1 Pullover equals 2 Vests)	
Towel	2
Cap	1
Boots (Winter 2)	1
Socks	3
Gaiters	1
Housewife	1
Blankets	1
Kit Bag or Pack	1
Water bottles	1
Mess tin (Fork, spoon, cup)	1

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REPLY TO INTER OFFICE MINUTE ST/1094 DATED 20 JAN 45 ADDED G(SD)

HAVING PASSED SD/6/1 OF 21 JAN TO G3(ORG) I SPOKE TO G(TRAINING) (BARRY) AT AFTQ
TODAY. HE IS GOING TO GET DMT ON TO PRODUCING OR SWITCHING VEH TO CONVERSANO
VIA 54 AREA AND BIRD.

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(INITIAL) MAJOR SPAININON

27 JAN 45.

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INTER OFFICE MEMO

12/1094

To: G (SD) Subject : Projected BR-III Driving School at Conversano.Copy: MIA LO
54 Area.

2. Confirming conversation Steinbock-Papineau on 13 Jan. 45.
2. It was agreed -
 - a) That no good purpose would be served by forcibly extracting the British 3D Vehicles originally intended for Conversano from Group 4 Reinforcement Depot where they now are.
 - b) the question of getting a further release by G (AE) AMH would have to be initiated by G 3 (Org) AMH, and action to secure this would therefore lie with G (SD) MIA HQ.
 - c) G (SD) in any case intends to review the whole question of BR-III driving schools in Bari Region with DMT in the near future to regularize establishments etc.
3. It is meanwhile recalled that MIA LO 54 ^{has} the nucleus of (Conversano) School, instructors, pupils etc. standing by, and that the matter is to that extent urgent. The procurement of further British 3D Vehicles to allow the Conversano proposal to be implemented must be a matter for action by SD (as was the procurement of the original vehicles which were diverted). ST MIA cannot therefore take any further action at present.

GCE/45.

D.A.D.T.

20 Jan. 45.

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ELenco degli automezzi prelevati dal 409 R.V.P. di Terlizzi (BARI)

1)	DODGE	3 ton. 4X2	classe V	= 526076
2)	"	"	"	= 526901
3)	FORD	"	"	= 4523679 = già versata a Terlizzi
4)	CHEVROLET	4X4	"	= 4519109
5)	AUSTIN	6X4	"	= 98704
6)	COMER	4X2	"	= 620510
7)	FORD	4X4	"	= 4720266 = inefficiente a Teano
8)	AUSTIN	4X2	"	= 4675928
9)	CHEVROLET	4X4	"	= 4726729 = inefficiente a Teano
10)	FORD	4X2	"	= 5225524
11)	FORD	4X4	"	= 4713919 = inefficiente a Teano
12)	CHEVROLET	4X4	"	= 4721355 = inefficiente a Cesano
13)	FORD	4X4	"	= 1267864

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TEANO

Driver 3001

School

4)	CHEVROLET	4X4	"	"	= 4519109
5)	AUSTIN	6X4	"	"	= 98704
6)	COMMER	4X2	"	"	= 620510
7)	FORD	4X4	"	"	= 4720266 = inefficiente a Teano
8)	AUSTIN	4X2	"	"	= 4675928
9)	CHEVROLET	4X4	"	"	= 4726729 = inefficiente a Teano
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Driver 3091

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APPENDIX "B" TO ADOS OFFICE INSTRUCTION No. 12
 PROFORMA TO BE USED FOR RELEASE OF VEHICLES

HOME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
 ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject: Vehicle Releases

Ref.: OS/REL/127
 Tel.: 66588

To: O.C. 409 Vehicle Park Barr

Release of the following vehicle(s) is authorised for issue
 to Italian Driving School (MMIA)

DESIGNATION	Qty	Release No.	REMARKS
LORRIES 3TON 4x4 GS CLASS 5 HD NOS. 4626513 1267864 4513582 4720266 4713919 4726729 4721355 4974726 4519109 620510	10	DOS/723	Serial 6201/00
LORRIES 3TON 4x2 GS CLASS 5 HD NOS. 5225524 45323679 5226076 5226701 4675925	5	DOS/723	Serial 6200/00
LORRY 3TON 6x4 GS CLASS 5 HD No. 98704	1	DOS/723	Serial 6205/00 3090

Copy to: MMIA for Italian Driving School ✓

vehicle(s) may be collected
 from 1st addressee on
 presentation of this release

(T.J.D. LAFFERTY) Capt.
 for Lt.Col.
 A.D.O.S.

Found in Spec Sec files

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Extract from Liaison LOG M.M.I.A. - AFHQ No 4 dated 21 Dec. 44

ST/ 1094

ORD BRITISH

Jar Comd CUNNINGHAM REID

The confirming release to VR/723 of the 14 Dec was despatched on the 18 Dec. It should therefore now be in our hands.

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Subject: POLIGNANO Driving School.

ST
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm
A2C. (M.M.I.A.)
C/o HQ, 54 Area
LO/II/SD
22 Dec 44

H.Q.230 Division.

1. It is understood that the POLIGNANO Driving School will NOT be closed, and that another course will start approx 1 Jan 45 (to be confirmed later).
2. HQ 230 Div will please arrange for students for this course to be alerted as follows:-
 - a) 50 personnel now at CONVERSANO, previously intended for ICOS G.T.Coy.
 - b) 30 personnel arrived CONVERSANO from TEANO (Gruppi trainees)
 - c) Any other GRUPPI trainees who may arrive from TEANO.
 - d) Number required to make Course up to strength, (to be taken from TRANI Camp).
3. Disposal instructions for drivers trained at POLIGNANO Driving School will in all cases be issued from HQ MMIA.
4. Please inform this office as soon as possible the number of personnel that will be required from TRANI Camp to bring the number of students up to strength for the Course.

S & T. MMIA.

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J.G. BIRD Major.
Senior MMIA LO?
C/o HQ, 54 Area.

Copy to: HQ MMIA (You ST/1094 dated 16 Dec 44 refers).
HQ 54 Area.
Sigs Office, BARLETTA for Capt O'Donnell.

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Subject. CONVERSANO Driving School.

H.Q. 230 Division.

Further to this office letter LO/11/SD dated 12 Dec 44. and Maj. H.Q. Puglia and Lucania 6345/Ord dated 14 Dec 44.

1. Further instructions have been received from H.Q. MMIA concerning the Driving School to be established at CONVERSANO.

2. The school will be established controlled and administered by HQ 230 Div in accordance with the above letters. The Instructional and Administrative Staff will be entirely ITALIAN, and there will not be a BRITISH Cadre.

3. HQ MMIA are arranging for a release of British vehicles for instructional purposes. It is hoped that 16 vehicles will be made available.

4. An additional allotment of P.O.L. will be made for the School.

5. HQ 230 Div will please forward the following information:-

- a) The earliest date on which the School can open.
- b) The duration of a single Course.
- c) The number of students that can be trained each course.
- d) The additional P.O.L. required per month.
- e) The number (officers and other ranks) on the permanent staff.
- f) Any other requirements for establishing the School.

6. Disposal instructions for all personnel trained in the School will be issued by HQ MMIA.

J.G. Bird

J.G. BIRD Major. 3037
Senior MMIA LO.
C/o HQ, 54 Area

Copy to:- HQ MMIA (you SE/1094 dated 16 Dec 44 refers) ←
HQ 54 Area

HQ Puglia & Lucania

JGB/7

Subject:- Driver Training.

SE/1094.

20 Dec. 44.

LAND FORCE'S SUB COM. A.C. (MIA)
RMS
Tel: 159081 RM 506

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. In reply to your 30650A/1/CA - 317 V.9, dated 16 Dec 44.-
2. Your attention is drawn to this HQ. SE/1094, dated 16 Dec 44, copy to HQ.

(C.O. (MIA))
Major RMG.

for Major General,
Land Forces Sub Com. A.C. (M.I.A.)

JED/CG.

Copy to:- G(SD) M.I.A.-

File 3066

Subject: Driver Training For Italian Military
Personnel in West Area.

ST/109A

16 Dec 44.

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MILF)..
HQ..
Tel: Rome 600041 EXT 526.

To: L.O. Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MILF)..
2. AREA.

Copy: AFHQ G3(Orig) Brit.
S.M.F.S.
G(2) MILF HQ.

1. Confirming telephone on 16 Dec 44. ^{Capt. Graham} ~~Major Station~~ - Major Station and Major Bird - Major Robinson.
2. It is understood that Polignano School is NOT to be closed at present and that another course will start shortly.
3. MILF LO 54 Area is therefore requested to arrange for pupils for the next course at Polignano as follows:-
 - (a) 50 personnel now at Conversano or elements previously intended for 1008 GT Coy
 - (b) 30 personnel arrived Conversano on Teamo (Gruppi trainees)
 - (c) any other Gruppi trainees who may arrive on Teamo
 - (d) number required to make up to strength of 2nd Comp.
4. MILF LO 54 Area is further requested to proceed with arrangements for Conversano School in accordance with his LO/11/40 of 12 Dec 44. Vehicle release concerned will be the subject of later communication from this HQ.
5. Output of trained drivers from both foregoing sources will be subject of disposal instructions to be issued by this HQ.

GP/313

ADST, Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MILF).

(S.O. PAPERAS)..
Major BASC..
for Lt. Col..

Diary and then File

Subject:- Vehicles for Driving School

Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
C/o 54 Area
ST/23
16 December 1944

TO: HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

Ref your ST/1095 dated 8 Dec 44.

1. Vehicles earmarked at 409 RVP for driving instructions were not inspected for the purpose of establishing a driving school. According to our instructions, we checked these vehicles believing that they were to be loaned temporarily to Treni Camp for driving instructions.

2. I do not believe these vehicles are reliable enough to establish a driving school as proposed in your ST/1095 of 8 Dec. We do not want to accept the responsibility of establishing proposed driving school with vehicles of this condition.

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

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S & T, MMIA

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Q (AE) BRANCH

VEHICLE RELEASE NOTE

Rec. VR 723

Date 14 Dec 44

To : R.A.A.G. for Italian Driving School (Through M.M.I.A.).

Release of the undermentioned vehicles is authorised.

Serial	Quantity	Description of Vehicles
6201/00	10 Lorries 3-ton 424 GS Class 5	409 R.V.P. BARI
	W.D.Nos. 4626313 4267864 4513582 4720266 4715919 (Ford)	
	4726729 4721355 4374726 4519109 (Chev) 620510 (Commer)	
6203/00	5 Lorries 3-ton 432 GS Cl 5	409 R.V.P. BARI.
	W.D.Nos. 5225524 43323679 (Ford) 5226076 5226901 (Dodge)	
	4371928 (Austin)	
6205/00	1 Lorry 3-ton 624 GS Cl 5	409 R.V.P. BARI.
	W.D. No. 98704 (Austin).	

Remarks :

Spoke Town 15/12/44
OK. W. work
through RAAC

RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS

- On receipt of this release authority, the unit or formation will await release instructions from Ord (Br).
- AMIQ Q (AE) release and Ord (Br) release will both be handed to the Vehicle Park at the time of collection. The Vehicle Company have been instructed that release will not be made unless both copies of release voucher are presented.

DISTRIBUTION :

Ord (Br)
File

M.M.I.A. (Your SE/1095 dated 8 Dec 44 refers).

Brigadier,
Q (AE)

Capt.

Treadon 124

Subject:- Drivers School at CONVERSANO

ST/1095
15/12
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
C/o 54 Area
LO/11/3D
12 Dec 44.

TO: Military Headquarters, Puglia e Lucania

1. Instructions have been received from HQ, MMIA to establish a Driving School at CONVERSANO, to train as drivers approx. 300 personnel at present in TRANI Camp and already earmarked for this purpose.
2. Military Headquarters Puglia e Lucania will make preliminary arrangements:
 - (a) To make available for a Driving School the premises at CONVERSANO now occupied by 1008 G.T. Coy.
 - (b) To organize instructional and administrative personnel for the Driving School from personnel of 1008 G.T. Coy, which is being disbanded. If additional personnel are required, please inform MMIA LO, BARI as soon as requirements are known. 3022
3. The date when the School will open, and any further details will be forwarded later.
4. When the School opens, it will be held on BRITI category and come under HQ 230 Div for administration.

JGB/baw

JGBid.
J. G. BIRD, Major
Senior M.M.I.A. L.O.
C/o 54 Area
PA
15/12

Copy to:

HQ, Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA) (ref your
ST/1095 dated 8 Dec 44 para 2 (a) confirmed.)
HQ, 230 Division

Subject: Vehicle at Ford St.
London Driving School.

BT/1095

8 Dec 44.

Lead Person Sub Com A.C. (MIA).
REF.
Ref: 439011 REF 526.

For: ARMY (MIA) (British)

Copy: L.O. Lead Person Sub Com A.C. (MIA).
c/o Mr. St. Area.
C(AM) MIA IL.

1. Further to telephone on 2 Dec 44, Major Dames - Major Hamilton.
2. The following are the details of vehicles inspected at 409 277 by MIA 10 East and considered suitable for the proposed Italian Driving Schools:-

3 ton Class 5 Vehicle

4 x 4 Ford 462645; 46706; 451352; 472266; 4713919.
4 x 2 Ford 522973; 4523679;
4 x 4 Chev 472673; 472135; 4724726; 4519109;
4 x 2 Dodge 5226074; 5226001;
6 x 4 Austin 90704.
4 x 2 Austin 467323
4 x 4 Commer 620910

3. My (AM) authority for release of these vehicles should be obtained and communicated to this IL.

(O.C. MIA/AM).
Major MIA.
for Major General.
(M. M. L. A.).

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File

Subject:-- Conversano Driving School.

ST/1095

8 Dec 44.

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MILIA).
ROME.
tel: Rome 489081 EXT 526.

To: L.O. Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MILIA).,
o/o HQ 54 Area.

Copy: G(SD) MILIA HQ.
Spec Sec. MILIA HQ.
Direz Gen della Motorizzazione, (1^o Divisione),
Italian War Ministry.

1. Confirming conversation Major Murrell - Major Papineau on 4 Dec 44.
2. It is understood:-
 - (a) that approx 280 potential driver-students are standing by at Trani
 - (b) Action to obtain vehicles is in hand vide this HQ letter ST/1095 of 8 Dec 44 to AMHQ
 - (c) premises are available at Conversano
 - (d) instructional and administrative personnel can be obtained from 1000(I) GT Coy not now to be proceeded with.
3. While awaiting the outcome of letter referred to in (b) above, please check up and take any action necessary in regard to 2(a) (c) (d).

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