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Aug. 1944 - June

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RE/19/1 Personnel Deficiencies + RFTS Posted
Aug. 1944 - June 1945

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Subject: Italian Reinforcements.

Ref: 17/899

To: M. I. A.
I. O.
Florence Command

From: U. S. A. S.
H. A. No 3 Forestry Group, R. E.
C. S. I.

Ref. conversation on 13th - Major R. C. Copleston
R. E. - Capt. Thrupp - enclosed for your information is copy
of this R. No 17/874 of 13 June to H. A. No 3 Forestry Group, R. E.

RH/RS.
C. S. I.
13 June 45.

RH Hodge Major, R. E.
U. S. A. S. H. A. No 3 Forestry Group, R. E.

Copy to: H. A. No 3 Forestry Group (for S. C. R. 3)
H. A. No 3 Forestry Group, R. E.

C 17/4

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Subject: Reinforcements Required.

Ref: 17/674.

To: U.C.
H.C. 410 Regt. I.P.
I.P. ICV

From: D.C.R.C.
H.C. No 2 Forestry Group, R.C.
C.I.V.

The following is the position as regards drivers and motor cyclists, the numbers shown being only of those who are capable of driving:

<u>DRIVER & MOTOR CYCLIST</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>RECD</u>	<u>DEFICIENT</u>
60 Italian Increment	9	5	4
61 Italian Forestry Coy	14	3	11
62 " " "	12	2	10

		Total Deficient	25

D.Rs.

60 Italian Increment	4	2	2
61 " Forestry Coy	1	-	1
62 " " "	1	-	1

		Total Deficient	4

As this unit is not at present holding its full transport entitlement the full numbers are not required, but it is essential to have the following, to ensure efficient working in the transport of the Group.

DRIVERS & MOTOR CYCLISTS 15
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Could you please give this your earliest attention as the need for drivers is now very urgent.

RC/LL.
C.I.V.
12 June 45.

R.D. Hedley Major, R.C.
D.C.R.C. H.C. No 2 Forestry Group, R.C.

Copy to: 60 Reg. Ital. 61 Reg. Ital. X
62 " " C.I.V.


Subject: Personnel Italian
Railway Engineer Units.

Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.
Tel: Firebox - 27
Outside line 843119.
TN.A.1/100/6.

25 April 1945.

To: Land Forces Sub Commission,
(M.M.IA.),
H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. Herewith for your information and necessary action copy of Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineers letter PM.3800 dated 24 April requesting S.M.R.E. to supply reinforcements to bring existing units up to the approved War Establishments.


(E.L. TRIFFITT).
Lt.Col., R.E.
for Brigadier.
Director of Transportation.

COMANDO RAGGRUPPAMENTO FERROVIARI

Prot. N° 1100 / U.C.A.

P.M. 3800, 1/4 aprile 1945.

OGGETTO : richiesta di complementi.

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Uff. Ordin. e Mobil.

= P. M. 3800

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO
Ufficio Trasporti

= P. M. 3800

1°) - I reparti dipendenti hanno in forza militari di classi anziane ma non ancora posti in congedo perchè residenti in territori italiani ora occupati dal nemico, nella quantità sotto indicata:

-	I°	Battaglione	Ferrovieri	-militari di truppa-	N°	16
-	II°	"	"	"	"	56
-	III°	"	"	"	"	32
-	VI°	"	"	"	"	53
-	XIII°	"	"	"	"	96

Totale..... N° 253

2°) - Con la prossima liberazione di detti territori, dopo attuato il congedamento di detti militari, la contrazione della forza dei reparti sarà tale da pregiudicarne notevolmente l'efficienza, se si tien conto che attualmente gli stessi reparti hanno le seguenti deficienze rispetto all'organico:

-	I°	Battaglione	Ferrovieri	-militari di truppa-	N°	231
-	II°	"	"	"	"	127
-	III°	"	"	"	"	39
-	VI°	"	"	"	"	80
-	XIII°	"	"	"	"	144

Totale..... N° 621

= 2 =

3°) - Si rappresenta quindi l'urgente necessità di far assegnare ai reparti in questione i complementi necessari nella misura sotto-specificata:

-	I°	Battaglione	Ferrovieri	-militari di truppa-	N°	247
-	II°	"	"	"	"	183
-	III°	"	"	"	"	71
-	VI°	"	"	"	"	133
-	XIII°	"	"	"	"	240

Totale..... N° 874

4°) - Per il VI° btg. ci riferiamo solamente alle deficienze della 1ª e 3ª compagnia. La 19ª compagnia è tuttora in formazione e per ~~la 19ª compagnia~~ si è in attesa di n°240 uomini da Trani.

5°) - Per tutto quanto sopra ci eravamo, come per il passato, rivolti al Transportation Increment (British) del Military Railway Service per ottenere dalla M.M.I.A. i complementi necessari.

6°) - Il Transportation Increment con suo foglio TN.A.1/100/6 del 17 corrente ci comunicava che le richieste di complementi devono ora essere fatte dal nostro Comando al Comando Italiano competente.

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7°) - Si prega pertanto codesto Stato Maggiore di voler comunicare con cortese sollecitudine presso quale campo di affluenza si possono ottenere i suddetti complementi ove questo Comando di Raggruppamento potrebbe inviare, come per il passato, un'ufficiale della specialità per la scelta degli uomini specializzati.-

IL COMANDANTE
DEL RAGGRUPPAMENTO FERROVIERI
(Col. U. Dutto)



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Subject: Supply of reinforcements to
the 15th Army

1st Army - 27
1st Army - 27
1st Army - 27

17 April 1945.

Re: Inspection of the 15th Army
Railway Engineer Units.

Copy to: Joint Personnel Commission (JPC).
M.A. Allied Commission.

With reference to your letter to HQ dated 16 Apr 45.

1. It is noted that the information and deficiencies in personnel still exist in the Detachments under your Command :-

1st Railway Engineer Bn.	233
2nd Railway Engineer Bn.	127
3rd Railway Engineer Bn.	33
15th Railway Engineer Bn.	144
6th Railway Engineer Bn.	80 (including 13th Coy.)
<u>Total.</u>	<u>621</u>

A further 200 deficiencies existing in the 15th Coy are the subject of special provision action by M.A.A. and it is expected that a substantial portion of them will be made available from the Trani reinforcement depot before the end of the month.

2. Reinforcement demands for the 621 normal deficiencies should be made by your H.Q. on the responsible Italian Army H.Q. with copy to this Director. M.A.A. at M.A.A. can be kept informed of your needs.

3. With regard to the 150 personnel due for discharge from the Army as soon as hostilities cease, it is considered that the number is so small a comparison to total strength that replacement will be obtained without special provision, and you should therefore wait until release has actually occurred before requesting their replacement.

WJ

(M.A.A. OFFICER)

With reference to your letter of 1917 dated 15 Apr 48.

It is noted that the deficiencies and deficiencies in personnel still exist in the battalions under your command:

- 1st Infantry Division: 251
 - 2nd Infantry Division: 137
 - 3rd Infantry Division: 39
 - 13th Infantry Division: 144
 - 5th Infantry Division: 80 (including 19th Coy.)
- Total: 631

A further 200 deficiencies existing in the 13th Coy are the subject of special provision set up by I.M.S.I. and it is expected that a substantial portion of them will be made available from the front reinforcement depot before the end of the month.

Reinforcement demands for the 521 normal deficiencies should be made by your I.M.S.I. on the responsible Italian Army I.M.S.I. with copy to this Director. I.M.S.I. can be kept informed of your needs.

With respect to the 172 personnel due for discharge from the Army as soon as their service is finished. It is considered that the number is so small in comparison to total strength that replacement will be obtained without special provision 172 action, and you should therefore maintain release has actually occurred before sending their replacement.

WJ
 (C.I. DIVISION)
 Lt. Col., I.M.S.I.
 for Director of Transportation.

Subject:- Engr Rfts.

RE 19/1 157/4

Division Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.S. (MIA)
3/0 HQ., I District
Ref 10/617

14 April 45

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

I. To solve the deficiency problems in Engr Units in I District, the skilled personnel now in Cd Ens and Enr Units will be cross posted with the unskilled men now in the Engr Units. About 250 men will be thus affected.

J.P. Bourne
Capt.
MIA HQ., I District.

Subject : Reinforcements
Italian Rly Engineers.

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 12/11
 Transportation Increment,
 C.A.F.
 Tel : Firebox - 27
 Outside line 843119
 Ref : T.F.A.1/100/6.
9 April 1945.

To : Land Forces Sub Commission,
M.M.I.A., H.Q., A.C.

1. Consequent on the move of No 3 Coy Italian Rly Engineers from Rome to Rimini on 8th April, accommodation for 250 men has been liberated which will be utilised to complete the formation of the 19th Coy. Tradesmen required for this purpose are set out in the attached appendix.

2. It is requested that you arrange the provision of these 242 tradesmen as early as possible from the Trani Depot where a Railway screening officer is already attached. It has been observed that the class of reinforcement coming from this Depot is far superior to the average from other places and as the personnel now required are for the formation of a new Company it is desired to obtain the best class material.

3. Your assistance is requested to attain this end.

12/11
 170
 (E.L. TRIFFITT).
 Lt. Col., R.E.
 for Brigadier.
 Director of Transportation.

W. E. ITALIAN RAILWAY ENGINEER COMPANY

(organico compagnia genio ferroviari)

Blacksmiths	(Fabbri)	8
Blacksmith's strikers	(Allievi fabbri) : :	4
Carpenters and Joiners	(Falegnami e carpentieri)	46
Carpenter's Mates	(Allievi Falegnami)	4
Clerks.	(Scritturali)	2
Cooks.	(Cocchi)	3
Cyclists.	(Ciclisti)	5
Drivers, IC.	(Autieri)	5
Draughtsmen.	(Disegnatori)	4
Electricians.	(Elettricisti)	5
Engine Drivers.	(Condutt. caldaie vapore)	6
Fitters.	(Aggiustatori Meccanici)	11
Fitter's Mates.	(Aggiustatori)	4
General Dutymen.	(Personale per serv. generali)	4
Masons.	(Muratori)	17
Mechanics.	(Meccanici)	6
Medical Orderly.	(Aiutante di Sanita)	1
Miners.	(Minatori)	6
Motor Cyclists.	(Motociclista)	1
Platelayers.	(Manovali)	6
Storemen.	(Magazzinieri)	8
Tinsmiths.	(Stagnini)	7
Welders.	(Saldatori)	8
Batmen.	(Attendenti)	4
Englers.	(Trombettieri)	4

Total Rank and File 242

(Totale graduati e truppa)

No Staff-Serjeants and Serjeants wanted.
(Non si desiderano sergenti maggiori e sergenti).

Subject:- REINFORCEMENTS

To:- G.S.O 11 (SD)
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C
(MMIA)

802 Italian Reinforcement Depot
ORVIETO.

Ref. BI/9/166
2 Mar. 45

Reference conversation Major Stainton - Major Tungate re.
reinforcements for Engineering Railway Coy.
Herewith numbers by trades and Non Specialists.

JHT/rd

FILE: SD/9/1
DATE: 16/3.

~~NOT.~~
Major
Comm. British Cadre, 802 Itl. Rft.
Depot
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Trades.	Leghorn	Florence	Civitanova	Leghorn	Pontedera	Empoli
Blacksmith	2	2	2	2	2	2
Carpenter	3	2	2	4	2	2
Driver	2	2	2	-	2	4
Electrician	1	1	1	2	2	1
Engine Drivers	1	1	1	2	1	-
Mechanic	3	2	3	3	4	2
Mason	4	2	2	2	4	2
Medical Orderley	-	1	1	-	-	-
Miner	1	1	1	-	1	-
Welder	-	1	-	-	-	-
Platelayer	3	3	2	2	2	3
Non Specialists	84	74	64	71	83	63
TOTAL	104	92	81	88	103	79

J.W. Kuyala
 Comm; British Cadre, 167 Major
 Hq. Rft. Depot

0809

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MESSAGE FORM

From - RIA
To - AFHQ

11 130 A

SD437

RESTRICTED

YOUR F39903 OF 08 (.) NUMBERS OF RTTS AVAILABLE
FOR ITALIAN ENGR COYS DEPEND ON QUALITY OF CALL UP (.)
NO MEN ARE HELD IN TRANSIT CAMPS (.) ESTIMATE
POSSIBLE TO MEET THIS MONTH (.) PRESENT DEFICIENCIES
AS REGARDS NUMBERS BUT NOT AS REGARDS TRADES (.)
ENG SECTIONS LETTER ENG/366 OF 04 ALSO REFERS

Priority *Routine*

Authenticated *R. G. P. L. S. M.*

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SD/4
RE 19/1

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RE 19/I

Special Section (attn Maj DOBBS)

Ref your S/G/29/38 of 10 Mar 45.

- I. There are no trade training facilities for engr. This deficiency can only be met by selection of personnel from intakes, other units etc., or by cross-posting from units with excessive numbers of tradesmen.

In the main, the deficiency is small and should not interfere greatly with the efficiency of the companies. (A possible exception is the shortage of veh mechanics).

- 2. The surplus engr personnel at CESANO are the subject of investigation by SCRE 'P' BLU. When we know who they all are, we can suggest a method for their disposal.

RBC

S.C.R.E.
M.M.L.A.

11 Mar 45

0811

AFHQ
 MARK V/LATE NR22
 FROM ~~1726A~~ 281600A
 TO MMIA
 GR 31 BY
 RESTRICTED F39903
 NUMBERS REQUESTED OF AVAILABLE REINFORCEMENTS FOR SERVICE
 ENGINEER COYS AFTER EXISTING UNITS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP
 TO STRENGTH (.) SIGNED SACMED CITE FHENG (.) REFERENCE OUR
 ENG/366 DATED 4 MAR 45
 BY 281600A
 SENT NR22 1726A AMM BBB KKKK
 R-22--1726A---J O E-----E

Important

N116/8 MMIA 191

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RE 9/3

MMIA
 57/08
 164

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ENGINEER SECTION (BR)
A.F.H.Q.
C.M.F.
Tele. No. Freedom 476

19/1
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SUBJECT: Italian Engr Units.

338/366

TO : SMIA.

RE
8/3

4 Mar 45.

1. The deficiencies in strength of the various Italian Engineer Coys are as shown on the attached sheet.

2. May steps please be taken to bring these up to strength as soon as possible.

L.H. Evans.

L.H. EVANS,
Major, R.E.,
for M.G.R.E.

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Encl:

(pendice to ENG/366 dated 4 Mar 45.)

Actual Strength of Italian Eng. Coys.

(Extracted from BMIA Order of Battle 3 Feb 45.)

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Strength</u>	<u>Max</u>
1	84	231
2	105	129
3	195	291
4	196	150
5	196	183
6	197	226
7	168	206
8	205	183
9	95	99
10	200	170
11	182	193
12	154	178
13	141	145
14	164	189
15	209	210
16	140	210
17	174	209
18	135	135
19	191	184
	<u>3131</u>	<u>3913</u>

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Average per coy = 165.

Deficiencies total = 4370 - 3131 = 1239
at 230 per coy.

4370
3131
1239

Subject:- 2 Forestry Group RE

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MRIA)
RE 10/1
6 Mar 45

APHQ (Eng Section) (BE)

Reference your ENG/501 of 2 Mar 45.

It is hoped during this month to find and move to Forestry Units sufficient Italian reinforcements to bring these units up to strength. Bids for the movement of these men have already been made.

It is probable that a proportion of these ~~fits~~ will have had little if any forestry experience.

RBC Plumb
Maj
- 101
Maj Gen

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MRIA)

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SUBJECT:- Effs - Italian Units

Main Hq Eighth Army, GAF,

Tele Ext: 73,

H 5331 A,

4 Mar. 45.

OG 15 Army Gp

Copy to:- MEDIA ROOM

Reference your 3065/7/A(O) dated 8 Jan 45.

Forwarded herewith in duplicate are statements in respect of Br-It Engineer Units under cond this HQ.

GHW

H. Batten
for Lieut General,
G.O.C., EIGHTH ARMY.

6/160
524/1

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Subject:- Rfts for Italian PLY Engrs

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA)
RE 19/I
5 Mar 45

MMIA LO TRANI, c/o Sigs BARLETTA
copy MMIA LO 54 Area

Reference your TC/52 of 28 Feb 45.

1. It is regretted you had no notice of the arrival of Ten. Di Fidio; the arrangement had been made verbally between this HQ and Tn Movement, ROME.
2. It would be appreciated if you would continue to give any assistance required in finding suitable rly engr rfts.

RBC Fletcher
404
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gsh

Maj Gen
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MMIA)
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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY.

BRUSSELS

Ref: 48450.

2 Mar 45.

253

SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Italian.

AFHQ - G.1 (Br) - (2).

PL

Reference your CR/1116/G.1(Br)(Ser 1051) dated 15 Nov 44.

Attached herewith for information is Progress Report No 12 on the formation of:

10	6	Italian	Railway	Engineer	Bn,
	1	"	"	"	Coy,
	3	"	"	"	"
	19	"	"	"	"

M.M.T.A	<i>P 3</i>
FILE REF	<i>50/9</i>
Date Recd	<i>4/3/45</i>

A.L. Loudon
A. L. LOUDON,
158,
For Brigadier,
Commander British Troops ROME.

Copy to: Lead Forces Sub-Commission,
AC (MIA).

Subject : Formation of Italian Units.
Progress Reports.

Transportation increment,
C.S.F.
Tel : Firebox - 27
Outside line 8411ly.
Ref : TN.A.1/100/6.
27 February 1945.

To : Commanding General,
R.A.A.C. (in triplicate).

PK

1. Further to my TN.A.1/100/6 dated 21 Feb 45.
Herewith Progress Report No 12 for week ending 28 Feb 45 on
the formation of the undermentioned units :-

H.A., No 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.	Serial	93023.
1 "	"	93024.
3 "	"	93025.
19 "	"	93026.

2. H.A., No 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

- (A) Personnel. Complete.
- (B) Clothing & Equipment. 95% Complete.
- (C) Transport. No Change.
- (D) Accommodation. No Change.

3. No 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

4. No 3 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

5. No 19 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

6. General.

Information has been received that up to 200 reinforcements will be available for the 3rd Company by mid March.

1. Further to my TR.A.1/100/6 dated 21 Feb 45. Herewith Progress Report No 12 for week ending 28 Feb 45 on the formation of the undermentioned units :-

H.A.S.	No 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.	Serial
1	" " Company.	93023.
3	" " "	93024.
19	" " "	93025.
	" " "	93026.

2. H.A.S. No 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

- (A) Personnel. Complete.
- (B) Clothing & Equipment. 95% Complete.
- (C) Transport. No Change.
- (D) Accommodation. No Change.

3. No 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

4. No 3 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

5. No 19 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

No change.

6. General.

Information has been received that up to 200 reinforcements will be available for the 3rd Company by mid March.

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W. J. ...

(A. L. BRIPITT).
Lt. Col., R.E.
for Brigadier.
Director of Transportation.

M.M.I.A.	50/9.
FILE REF	43
Date Recd	

ENGINEER SECTION (BR)
A.F.H.Q.
C.M.F.
Tele. No. Freedom 476

19/1
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SUBJECT: No.2 Forestry Group RE

ENG/501

TO : COMIA

2 Mar 45

1. 61 and 62 Italian Forestry Coys of No.2 Forestry Group are together deficient of 176 ORs out of a total of 364.
2. Repeated applications have been made through normal channels with no success.
3. In view of the heavy commitments of these units it is requested that the provision of reinforcements for these units be expedited.

L.H. Evans

L.H. EVANS,
Major, R.E.,
for M.G.R.E.

3/20/45
Evans
comf
5/19/45
RE

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Copy to: DEFS/4434.

SUBJECT:- Rfta - Italian Service Units - (BRIT-ITI)

19/1

Main Hq Eighth Army, GEF,
Tele Ext: 73,
M 5681 A,
23 Feb. 45.

CG 15 Army Gp

Copy to:- MMIA, ROME

Reference your 3065/7/A(0) dated 8 Jan 45.

Forwarded herewith in duplicate are returns in respect of Brit-Iti Engineer Units under command this Hq.

GEN

*629 deficient
339 surplus*

*B.
2/12*

K. J. ...
Lieut General,
G.O.C., EIGHTH ARMY.

MANUAL R 10/1
FILE RE
D. No 2/5

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STRENGTH REPORT - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit 3 Station Eng Coy... Strength as at 1200 hrs ... 1 Feb 70

A OFFICERS

	WB	Ser	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	3	-	1
Total	5	4	-	1

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WB	Ser	Surp	Def
CSM	1	-	-	1
CQIS	1	3	2	-
Serjeants	4	6	2	-
Total	6	9	4	1

C RANK and FILE

Grade	WB	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	2		3	
Bricklayers	13	3		8	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	7		25	
Cooks	3	1		2	
Concretors	7	1		6	
Electricians	8	2		6	
Engine Fitters	11	4		7	
Fitters	7	1		6	
Masons	6	1		5	
Minors	9	8		1	
Painters & Decorators	7	-		7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	-		10	
Pioneers for duty as :- Battmen	5	4		1	
General Dutymen	69	143	74	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutymen	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	1				
Sheet Metal Workers	4	1		3	
Storemen	2	2			
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1			
Waterman	3	2			
Non-Mechan (Drivers)	9	5		4	
Cooks attached	8	8			

Personnel not included in above trades :-

Total 6 9 4 1

C RANK and GRADE

Trade	W2	Str	Surf	Def	Remarks (Incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	2		5	
Bricklayers	13	5		8	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	7		25	
Clerks	3	1		2	
Concretors	7	1		6	
Electricians	8	2		6	
Engine Fitters	11	4		7	
Fitters	7	1		6	
Masons	6	1		5	
Minors	2	8		1	
Painters & Decorators	7	-		7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	-		10	
Pioneers for duty as :- Batches	5	4		1	
General Dutyman	67	148	74	-	
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1			
Water Dutyman	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	1			1	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	1		3	
Storeman	2	2			
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1			
Waterman	3	2		1	
Non-Trademen (Drivers)	9	5		4	
Cooks attached	8				
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	325	201	74	98	156

STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit: 4th Log Station, Engineer strength as at 200 hours 10 Feb 1945

A - OFFICERS

	Str	Sup	Det
Captain	1	-	1
Subaltern	4	4	-
Total	5	4	1

B - N.C.O. & SENIOR NCOs

	Str	Sup	Det
C.S.M.	1	1	-
P.O.M.S.	1	1	-
Serjeants	4	5	1
Total	6	7	1

C - MEN and WOMEN

Trade	N.C.O.	Str	Sup	Det	Remarks (incl priorities)
Engineers	7	-	-	7	
Signallers	13	5	-	8	
Communications and Signals	32	9	-	23	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Conductors	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Drivers	11	-	-	11	
Plumbers	7	-	-	7	
Boilers	6	2	-	4	
Painters	9	2	-	7	
Labourers & Decorators	7	4	-	3	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	3	-	7	
Professionals for duty as :-					
Theron	5	3	-	2	
General Duties	69	109	40	-	
Sanitary Duties	1	1	-	-	
Water Duties	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storeroom	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (DVR class)	1	1	-	-	
Waterman	3	1	-	2	
Non-Trademen	9	3	-	6	
Cooks attached	8	3	-	5	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
					153

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Category	W	Str	Supp	Def	Remarks (incl. priorities)
7	-	-	-	7	
13	5	-	-	8	
22	9	-	-	23	
3	3	-	-	-	
7	-	-	-	7	
8	1	-	-	7	
11	-	-	-	11	
7	-	-	-	7	
6	2	-	-	4	
9	2	-	-	3	
7	4	-	-	7	
10	3	-	-	7	
5	3	-	-	2	
69	109	40	-	-	
1	1	-	-	-	
1	1	-	-	-	
1	1	-	-	-	
1	1	-	-	-	
4	-	-	-	4	
2	2	-	-	-	153
1	1	-	-	-	
3	1	-	-	2	
9	3	-	-	6	
8	3	-	-	5	
TOTAL	225	155	40	110	

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SPRING RETURN - ITALIAN MILITARY

Unit No. 43841. Strength as at 2000 hours 12,245

B = W.O. & SENIOR PCOs

W.O. & SENIOR PCOs	Def
C.S.M.	1
S.S.P.S.	1
Subjects	4
Total	6

W.O. & SENIOR PCOs	Def
Battalion	1
Company	4
Total	5

	W.O.	Corp	Other	Def	Remarks
Subalterns	7	7	-	-	
Platoon Leaders	13	11	-	2	
Company Sergeants	32	28	-	4	
Company Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Conductors	7	7	-	-	
High Signallers	8	6	-	2	
Wire Patterners	11	9	-	2	
Artillery	7	2	-	5	
Engineers	6	6	-	-	
Nurses	9	5	-	4	
Painters & Decorators	7	6	-	1	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	9	-	1	
Personnel for duty as :-					
Women	5	5	-	-	
General Dutyman	69	62	-	7	
Senior Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Junior Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	-	-	1	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Signal Corps Orderly	4	3	-	1	
Storeman	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (OVR class)	1	-	-	1	
Waterman	3	3	-	-	
Non-Trade Men	9	3	-	6	
Cook attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included					
in above trades :-					
					152

Grade	No.	Qty	Spec	Per	Remarks (apel priorities)
Engineers	7	7			
Signalmen	13	11		2	
Transport and Support	32	28		4	
Stores	3	3			
Generators	7	7			
Electricians	8	6		2	
Medical Officers	11	9		2	
Artillery	7	2		5	
Engineers	6	6			
Artillery	9	5		4	
Engineers & Decorators	7	6		1	
Pumpers & Pipefitters	10	9		1	
Pioneers for duty as :-	5	5			
Bibson	69	63		7	
General Dutymen	1	1			
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutymen	1	-		1	
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	1	1			
Sheet Metal Workers	4	3		1	152
Stores	2	2			
Vehicle Mechanic (OVC class)	1	-		1	
Lateman	3	3			
Non-Fridismen	9	3		6	
Cooks attached	8	8			
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	188	=	37	

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STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit *8. Station Proj. Coy.* Strength as at 1200 hours *11-2-45*

A = OFFICERS

Rank	Str	Spec	Def
Captain	1	1	
Subalterns	4	5	1
Total	5	6	1

B = V.O. & SENIOR NCOs

Rank	Str	Spec	Def
C.S.M.	1	-	1
C.S.M.S.	1	1	
Surjento	4	11	7
Total	6	12	7

C = PLUMBERS AND TILES

Trade	V.O.	Str	Spec	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	7			
Boatmen	13	13			Note: No surplus
Carpenters and Joiners	22	22		10	held in lieu of deficiencies
Clerks	3	3			
Concretors	7	4		3	
Electricians	8	1		7	Station is unable
Machine Fitters	11	3		8	to state preference
Painters	4	4		3	in any particular
Plumbers	6	-		6	Radisson unit
Painters & Decorators	9	3		6	held in lieu of deficiencies
Plumbers & Pipefitters	4	1		6	Electrician, engine
Pioneers for duty as :-	10	3		7	fitting
Battal	5	5			
General Dutymen	69	90	21		
Sentry Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutymen	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	1	1			
Signal Postal Orderly	4	-		4	
Storaman	2	2			151
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr class)	1	1			
Waterman	3	-		3	transferred Battalion
Non-Trade men	9	9			
Cooks attached	8	8			
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	183	21	63	

Grade	W	OF	OF	Corp	Det	Remarks (incl. promotions)
Electricians	4		4			
Electricians	13		13			Note: No surplus held in lieu of retention
Carpenters and Joiners	32		23		10	
Clerks	3		3			
Concrete	7		4		3	
Electricians	8		1		7	Station etc unable
Wiring Fitters	11		3		8	to state preference in any particular
Fitters	4		4		3	in any particular
Masons	6		-		6	Widened work
Painters	9		3		6	Widened work
Painters & Decorators	4		1		6	Electrician - engine
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10		3		7	Fitters
Pioneers for duty as :-						
Battman	5	5				
General Dutymen	69	90	21			
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1				
Water Dutymen	1	1				
Medical Orderly	1	1				
Motor Cyclist	1	1				
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-			4	
Storemen	2	2				151
Vehicle Mechanic (Dry class)	1	1				
Wartmen	3	-			3	Warranted Personnel
Non-Tradesmen	9	9				
Cooks attached	8	8				
Personnel not included in above trades :-						
TOTAL	225	183	21		63	

(11 on leave, 2 Absent)

W. G. ...

for. O.I.C. 811 West Bridge Bank

10. Status SENSELESS REPORT - ITALIAN GUINS 11 Feb 45.

Unit Strength as at 1200 hrs

A OFFICERS

	VE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	4	4		
Subalterns	5	4		1
Total				

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	VE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM	1	1		
CQIS	4	6	2	
Serjeants	6	7	2	1
Total				

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Trade	VE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4		3	
Bricklayers	13	13		29	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	3			
Clerks	3	3			
Concretors	7	7			
Electricians	7				
Engine Fitters	11				
Fitters	7				
Masons	9	9			
Minors	7				
Painters & Decorators	10	1			
Plumbers & Pipefitters					
Pioneers for duty as :-	5	5			
Battment	69	105	36		
General Dutymen	1	1			
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutymen	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	4				
Sheet Metal Workers					
Storeroom	2	2			
Vehicle Mechanic (Ex Class)	1	1			
Watermen	3	3			
Non-Trademen	7	7			
Cooks attached	8	8			
Personnel not included					
					150

Subalterns	4	6	2
Total	6	7	2.1

C RANK AND FILE

Trade	VE	Str	Sup	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4		3	
Bricklayers	13	13		29	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	3			
Clerks	3	3			
Concretors	7	7			
Electricians	11	11			
Engine Fitters	7	7			
Fitters	9	9			
Masons	7	7			
Miners	10	1			
Painters & Decorators					
Plumbers & Pipefitters	5	5			
Pioneers for duty as :- Patrol	69	105	36		
General Dutyman	1	1			
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1			
Water Dutyman	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	4	4			
Sheet Metal Workers	2	2			
Storemen	1	1			
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	3	3			
Watermen (Drivers)	9	9			
Non-Trademen	8	8			
Cooks attached					
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL		225	170	36	91
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STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit: 733 A.W. Coy RE

4 OFFICERS 3.

	WE	str	surp	Def
Captain	1	1		
subalt	3	2		1
Total	4	3		1

3. W.O. & Senior N.C.O.s III

	WE	str	surp	Def
CSM	1	2	1	
COXS	1			1
Sergeants	3	6	3	
Total	5	8	4	1

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Trade	WE	str	surp	Def	Remarks (Incl Priorities)
Blacksmiths	2	4	2		
Bricklayers	8	24	16		
Carpenters & Joiners	20	20			
Clerks	2	2			
Concretors	8	1		7	
Electricians	4	2		2	
Engine Fitters					
Fitters					
Gasors	4	3		1	
Grinders		1			
Painters & Decorators	8	1		7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	4	3			
Pioneers for duty as: Pathes	8	8			
General Dutymen	48	24		24	
Sanitary Dutymen	1			1	
Water Dutymen	1			1	
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist					
Sheet Metal Workers					
Stonemason		1	1		
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)		5	5		179
Watermen					
Wear Tradesmen (Drivers)	7	4		3	
Cocks attached	8			8	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
Timbermen (Public Works)	2			2	
Engine Hands I/c	2			2	
Draughtsmen (Architectural)	1			1	
Steel Benders	8			8	

Trade	TM	STR	SUPP	DEF	Remarks
Blacksmiths	2	4	2		
Bricklayers	8	24	16		
Carpenters & Joiners	20	20			
Clerks	2	2			
Companions	8	1		7	
Electricians	4	2		2	
Engine Fitters					
Fitters					
Gasmen	4	3		1	
Miners		1			
Painters & Decorators	8	1		7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	4	3			
Plumbers for duty as Batmen	8	8			
General Artymen	48	24		21	
Artillery Artymen	1			1	
Water Artymen	1			1	
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist					
Sheet Metal Workers					
Storemen		1	1		
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)		5	5		179
Watermen					
Wagon Drivers (Drivers)	7	4		3	
Cooks attached	8			8	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
Timbermen (Public Works)	2			2	
Engine Hands i/c	2			2	
Draughtsmen (Architectural)	1			1	
Steel Benders	8			8	
TOTAL	143	103	35	65	

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 COMMANDING TIS ARTISAN WORKS COY. R.E.

Hyderabad

STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS
UNIT: 91 ITALIAN GAS-ENGINE PL. STRENGTH AS AT 0000 HOURS 10th FEBRUARY 1945
B. 10 & 30000 HOURS

A. OFFICERS		B. 10 & 30000 HOURS	
Rank	Def	Supp	Def
Captain	-	0000	-
Subalterns	1	0000	-
	1	0000	2
Total	1	0000	2

C. RANK AND FILE

Trade	R.N.	Supp	Def	Remarks (incl Priority)
Blacksmiths	2	1	1	
Bricklayers	-	-	-	
Carpenters & Joiners	6	5	1	
Clerks	-	-	-	
Concrete	-	2	2	
Electricians	-	1	1	
Engine Fitters	-	-	-	
Fitters	-	-	-	
Masons	-	1	1	
Miners	-	-	-	
Painters & Decorators	-	-	-	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	-	-	-	
Pioneers for duty as -	1	1	4	
Battmen	17	13		
General Duty	-	-	-	
Short Metal Workers	-	1	1	
Storemen	-	-	2	
Vehicle Mechanics	-	-	-	
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C. RAISE AND FILE

Trade	S.S.	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl Priority)
Blacksmiths	2	1	1	
Bricklayers	-	-	-	
Carpenters & Joiners	6	5	1	
Clerks	-	-	-	
Concreteors	-	-	-	
Electricians	-	2	2	
Engine Fitters	-	1	1	
Fitters	-	-	-	
Masons	-	-	-	
Miners	-	1	1	
Painters & Decorators	-	-	-	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	-	-	-	
Pioneers for duty as - Battal	1	1		148
General Duty	17	13	4	
Sheet Metal Workers	-	-	-	
Storemen	-	1	1	
Vehicle Mechanics	-	2	2	
Watermen	-	-	-	
Non - Tradesmen Drivers I.C.	3	1	2	
Personnel not included in above trades Caulmakers	2	-	2	
Total	31	26	7	10

M. M. ...
 MAJOR, I.C.
 576 COMBAT FILE, PAKA JUL, I.C.

STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit *Ital. Eng. Coy.* strength as at 1200 hrs on *16 Feb. 45*

A OFFICERS

	W/O	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	4	-	-
Total	5	5	-	-

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	W/O	Str	Surp	Def
Cpl.	1	1	-	-
Cpls	1	1	-	-
Serjeants	4	8	4	-
Total	6	10	4	0

C RANK and FILE

Trade	W/O	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	3	-	4	
Bricklayers	13	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	22	23	-	9	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concreters	2	1	-	6	
Electricians	8	5	-	3	
Engine Fitters	11	8	-	3	
Fitters	7	3	-	4	
Masons	6	6	-	-	
Miners	9	3	-	6	
Painters & Decorators	7	6	-	1	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	5	-	5	
Pioneers for duty as:-					
Batmen	5	5	-	-	
General Dutymen	60	110	41	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal workers	4	-	-	4	
Storemen	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (DVR Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watermen	3	3	-	-	
Non-Trademen	9	9	-	-	

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C Rank and File

Trade	Pl	Str	Corp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	3	-	4	
Bricklayers	13	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	23	-	9	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concreters	2	1	-	6	
Electricians	8	5	-	3	
Engine Fitters	11	8	-	3	
Fitters	7	3	-	4	
Masons	6	6	-	-	
Miners	9	3	-	6	
Painters & Decorators	7	6	-	7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	5	-	5	
Pioneers for duty as					
Batmen	5	5	-	-	
General Dutymen	60	110	41	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	14
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storemen	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watermen	3	3	-	-	
Non-Tradesmen	9	9	-	-	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included in above trades					
Finish	4	-	-	4	
Total	236	236	45	45	

UNIT: 1st Coy, 28 AB Engineers Strength as at 1200 hrs 10 Feb 1945

OFFICERS

	W.A.	STR	UNED	DEF	W.A.	STR	UNED	DEF
Captains	2	1		1				2
Subalterns	4	3						1
Total	5	4		1				2

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Grade	W.A.	STR	UNED	DEF	W.A.	STR	UNED	DEF	Remarks (incl Priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4						3	
Bricklayers	15	4						9	
Carpenters & Joiners	32	10						22	
Clerks	5							3	
Generators	7	2						6	
Electricians	8	2						6	
Engine Fitters	11	6						9	
Fitters	7	6						7	
Masons	6	1						6	
Miners	9	1						6	
Painters & Decorators	7	1						6	
Plumbers	10							10	
Pioneers :-									
Batches	5	4						1	
General Duty	69	157				88		1	
Water Duties	1	1						1	
Medical orderly	1	1						1	
Sanitary Duty men	1	1						1	
Motor Cycle	1							4	
Sheet Metal Worker	4	2						4	
Storemen	2	4				3		3	
Vehicle Mechanics	1	4						3	
Watermen	1	5						3	
Cook	3	5						3	
Non-Trade men -		3						6	
Drivers I.O.	9								
Total	225	206				91		110	146

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Trade	S.I.	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl. Priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4		3	
Bricklayers	13	4		9	
Carpenters & Joiners	52	10		22	
Clerks	27			3	
Concreteors	8	2		7	
Electricians	11	2		6	
Engine Fitters	7	6		9	
Fitters	6	1		7	
Masons	9			6	
Miners	7			6	
Painters & Decorators	10			10	
Plumbers					
Plumbers i-	5	4		1	
Batmen	69	157	88	1	
General duty				1	
Water Duties	1	1			
Medical orderly	1	1			
Sanitary duty man	1			1	
Motor Cycle	4			4	
Sheet Metal Worker	2				
Stovermen	4		3		
Vehicle Mechanics	1				
Watermen	3			3	
Cooks	5			3	
Non-Tradeemen -					
Drivers I.O.	9	3		6	
Total	225	206	91	110	146

W. H. ...
 Major
 576 Corps Field Park Coy.

10 Feb 45
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Subject : Italian Railway Engineer Units.
Deficiencies in Personnel.

Transportation Increment,
 C.M.F.
 Tel : Firebox - 27
 Outside line 843119
 Ref : Tn.A.1/100/6.
22 February 1945.

To : Land Forces Sub Commission M.A.I.A., ✓
H.Q. A.C.

Copy to : Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineer Troops.

1. Attached for your information is an Analysis of Personnel deficiencies in the Italian Railway Engineer Units as at 17th Feb 45.
2. It is intended to complete the formation of the 3rd Coy. in Rome as a first priority and all suitable reinforcements from Trani should be used for this purpose. Any further reinforcements that are available at either Trani or Afragola should be sent to the existing Companies in the order of priority named.
3. Will you please endeavour to obtain these drafts of reinforcements as early as possible as it is desired to get all these Railway Engineer Units up to strength in readiness to undertake fresh commitments.

H. J. Triffitt 145
 (E. J. TRIFFITT).
 Lt. Col., R.E.
 for Brigadier.
 Director of Transportation.

Italian Railway Engineer Units.
Analysis of Personnel Deficiencies as at 17 Feb 45.

UNIT.	W.E. Strength.		Present Strength.		Surplus.		Deficient.	
	Officers.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.
Inspectorate of Italian Railway Engineer Troops.	8	26	11	61	3	35	-	-
HQ N° 1 Group Italian Rly Engineers.	9	25	5	22	-	-	4	3
HQ N° 2 Group Italian Rly Engineers.	9	25	6	16	-	-	3	9
HQ N° 1 Battn Italian Rly Engineers.	4	18	4	17	-	-	-	1
HQ N° 2 Battn Italian Rly Engineers.	4	18	4	22	-	4	-	-
HQ N° 3 Battn Italian Rly Engineers.	4	18	5	21	1	3	-	-
HQ N° 6 Battn Italian Rly Engineers.	4	18	4	18	-	-	-	-
HQ N° 13 Battn Italian Rly Engineers.	4	18	3	17	-	-	1	1
1 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	181	-	-	1	70
2 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	162	-	-	1	89
3 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	4	44	-	-	2	207
6 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	163	-	-	1	88
7 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	170	-	-	1	81
8 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	238	-	-	1	13
9 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	193	-	-	1	58
16 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	147	-	-	1	104
18 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	4	159	-	-	2	92
19 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	-	-	-	-	6	251
20 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	4	174	-	-	2	77
21 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	246	-	-	1	5
23 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	172	-	-	1	79
24 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	148	-	-	1	103
31 Railway Engineer Company.	6	251	5	190	-	-	1	61
TOTAL.	136	3931	109	2581	4	42	31	1392

Italian Railway Engineer Units.

Analysis of Personnel Deficiencies as at 17 Feb 45.

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	W.E. Strength.		Present Strength.		Surplus.		Deficient.		Location to which reinforcements should be sent. +	REMARKS.
	Officers.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.	Offrs.	ORs.		
Railway										
ops.	8	26	11	61	3	35	-	-	Rome.	
ly Engineers.	9	25	5	22	-	-	4	3	Ancona.	
ly Engineers.	9	25	6	16	-	-	3	9	Rome.	
ly Engineers.	4	18	4	17	-	-	-	1	Monsummano.	
ly Engineers.	4	18	4	22	-	4	-	-	Ardenza (Livorno).	
ly Engineers.	4	18	5	21	1	3	-	-	Livorno.	
ly Engineers.	4	18	4	18	-	-	-	-	Rome.	
ly Engineers.	4	18	3	17	-	-	1	1	Riccione.	
any.	0	251	5	181	-	-	1	70		
any.	0	251	5	162	-	-	1	89	Fano.	Priority 5.
any.	0	251	4	44	-	-	2	207	Rome.	Priority 1.
										(In formation only).
any.	6	251	5	163	-	-	1	88	Livorno.	Priority 6.
any.	6	251	5	170	-	-	1	81	Prato.	Priority 7.
any.	6	251	5	238	-	-	1	13	Fano.	
any.	6	251	5	193	-	-	1	58	San Frediano.	
any.	0	251	5	147	-	-	1	104	Livorno.	Priority 2.
any.	0	251	4	159	-	-	2	92	Firenze.	Priority 4.
any.	6	251	-	-	-	-	6	251	Rome.	(Formation approved but not commenced).
any.	6	251	4	174	-	-	2	77		Priority 9.
any.	0	251	5	246	-	-	1	5	Cesena.	
any.	6	251	5	172	-	-	1	79	Ceprano.	Priority 8.
any.	6	251	5	148	-	-	1	103	Pontedera.	Priority 3.
any.	6	251	5	190	-	-	1	61	Forli.	Priority 10.
	136	3931	109	2581	4	42	31	1392		Nett Deficiencies 37 Officers 1350 OR's.

+ subject to Alteration.

HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY.

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Ref: 48A50.

22 Feb 45.

SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Italian.

G.1 (Br) AFHQ (E).

Reference your OR/1116/G.1(Br)(Ser 1031) dated 15 Nov 44.

Attached herewith for information is Progress Report on the formation of:

HQ 6 Italian Railway Engineer Bn,
1 " " " Coy,
3 " " " "
12 " " " "

[Signature]
A.L. LINDEN,
Major,
For Brigadier,
Commander British Troops ROME.

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Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC (MFA).

Subject: Formation of Italian Unit 8.
Progress Report.

Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.
Tel: Firebox - 37
Outside line 843119.
M.A. 1/100/5.

21 February 1945.

To: Commanding General,
Rome Area Allied Command. (In triplicate).

1. Further to my M.A. 1/100/5 dated 14 Feb 45.
Herewith progress report No. 11 for week ending 21 Feb 45 on
the formation of the undermentioned units:-
H.Q. 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion. Serial No. 93023.
1 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93024.
3 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93025.
13 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93026.

2. H.Q. 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

- (A) Personnel. Complete.
- (B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete except for
greatcoats and anklets.

Equipment-- British provision 95% complete.

(C) Transport. No change.

(D) Accommodation. No change.

3. NO. 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

(A) <u>Personnel.</u>	Officers.	Present Strength	5
		Deficient	1
	Other Ranks.	Present Strength	131
		Deficient	70

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing & accessories. Complete.
Equipment - British provision 95% complete.

(C) Transport. Complete.

(D) Accommodation.

- U.O. 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion. Serial No. 93023.
- 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93024.
- 3 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93025.
- 10 Italian Railway Engineer Company. Serial No. 93026.

2. H.A. 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

(A) Personnel. Complete.

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete except for greatcoats and umbrellas.

Equipment - British provision 95% complete.

(C) Transport.

No change.

(D) Accommodation.

No change.

3. NO. 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

(A) Personnel. Officers. Present Strength 5
Deficient 1

Other Ranks. Present Strength 181
Deficient 70

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing & accessories. Complete.

Equipment - British provision 95% complete.

(C) Transport.

Complete.

(D) Accommodation.

This Coy is now located in a large private house 6 miles outside Ancona.

4. No. 3 Italian Railway Engineer Coy.

(A) Personnel. Officers. Present Strength 4
Deficient 2

Other Ranks. Present Strength 44
Deficient 207

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(B) Clothing and Equipment.

Clothing and accessories. Complete.
Equipment -- British provision 95% complete.

(C) Transport. Complete.

(D) Accommodation. Ample to complete formation.

5. No.13 Italian Railway Engineer Coy.

Formation not yet commenced.

6. General.

The move of No.1 Company forward has released sufficient accommodation to complete the formation of another Coy. M.M.I.A. have been asked to hasten the provision of reinforcements from the Depot at Trani.

H. J. Triffitt

(E. J. TRIFFITT).
Lt. Col., R.E.
for Brigadier.

Director of Transportation.

HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 724 US ARMY.

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Ref: 48A50.

17 Feb 45.

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SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Italian.

G.1 (Br) AMIB (2).

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Reference your CR/1116/G.1(Br)(Ser 1051) dated 15 Nov 44.

Attached herewith for information is Progress Report on the formation of:

By	6	Italian	Railway	Engineer	Co.
	1	"	"	"	(Reg)
	3	"	"	"	"
	19	"	"	"	"

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A. L. LOUDON,
Major,
For Brigadier,

Commander British Troops ITALY.

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Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC(MCIA).

Subject: Italy - Italy - Italian
Army -
Equipment -
Italy -
C. S. Station Increment,
Tel: P. 2000 - 27
Missile line 0131113.
A. 1/10/5.

14 February 1945.

To: H. C.
H. C. G. (in triplicate).

1. Further to my T. 1. 1/10/5 dated 3 Jul 45.
Herewith Progress Report 10.10 for Fortnight ending
14 Feb 45 on the formation of the unmentioned units :-

4.4.	6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.	Sgt 1	99023.
	1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.	"	99024.
	3 Italian Railway Engineer Company.	"	99025.
	13 Italian Railway Engineer Company.	"	99026.

2. 11. 5th Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

(A) Personnel.	Officers.	Present	4.
		Deficient.	"
	Other Ranks.	Present	18
		Deficient.	"

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete except
for great coats and mukluks.
Equipment - Dried out provision 75% complete.

(C) Transport.

Received U.C. 3010.	1
Trucks, 3 ton 4 x 2 U.S.	2
Deficient. Car & bus 4 x 2	1

(D) Accommodation.

No change.

3. No. 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

(A) Personnel.	Officers.	Present	5
		Deficient	1
	Other Ranks.	Present	173
		Deficient	72

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete.
Equipment - 75% complete.

17 Feb 45 on the formation of the unmentioned units :-

- 1. 4. 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion. 001 1 33,000.
- 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company. " 33,000.
- 3 Italian Railway Engineer Company. " 33,000.
- 10 Italian Railway Engineer Company. " 33,000.

2. 11. 5th Italian Railway Engineer Battalion.

- (A) Personnel. Officers. 4.
- Deficient. "
- Other ranks. Present strength 10
- Deficient. "

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete except for great coats and blankets.
Equipment - 3rd A.I. provision 75% complete.

(C) Transport.

- Reconnaissance M.V. Solo. 1
- Trucks, 3ton 4 x 4 G.S. 2
- Deficient. Car 4 tonner 4 x 4 1

(D) Accommodation.

No change.

3. No. 1 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

- (A) Personnel. Officers. Present strength 5
- Deficient 1
- Other ranks. Present strength 17
- Deficient 72

(B) Clothing & Equipment.

Clothing and accessories complete.
Equipment - 75% complete.

(C) Transport.

Complete.

(D) Accommodation.

No change.

This Company is being transferred from Rome to Ancona for employment on Railway reconstruction on 17 Feb 45.

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No. 3 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

(A) Personnel. Officers.	Present Strength	2
	Deficient.	4
Other ranks.	Present Strength	42
	Deficient.	203

(B) Utilities & Equipment.

Utilities and accessories. Complete with exception
 Balloons, Grease, and housewifery.
 Equipment. 75% complete.

(C) Transport.

Complete.

(D) Accommodation.

No change.

No. 13 Italian Railway Engineer Company.

Formation not yet commenced.

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(P. I. ...)
Lt. Col., S. ...
for Brigadier.
Director of Transportation.

REPORT :- Rfta - Br-Iti Service Units

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Main HQ Eighth Army, GEF

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Copy to - Land Forces Sub-Commission

4 Feb 45

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Reference your 3065/7/A(1) dated 8 Jan 45.

Forwarded herewith in duplicate are statements in respect of Br-Iti Eng Units. Statements in respect of the following units have not been received, but will be included in the next fortnightly statement -

- Pl 61 Italian Forestry Coy with 13 Corps.
- 53 Italian Increment to 723 Art Wks Coy.
- Det 61 Italian Forestry Coy with A Forestry Coy.
- 6 Italian Eng Coy.
- 7 Italian Eng Coy.

L. J. ...
Lieut General,
G.O.C. EIGHTH ARMY.

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STRENGTH RETURN - MALAY MIENS
 Unit *1 Malayan Engineer Coy* Strength as at 1200 hrs *27 JAN 45*

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	3	-	1
Total	5	4	-	1

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM	1	1	-	-
CQB	1	-	-	1
Sen. Jockeys	4	-	-	4
Total	6	1	-	5

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	1	-	6	
Bricklayers	13	4	-	9	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	8	-	24	
Clerks	3	1	-	2	
Concreters	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	3	-	8	
Fitters	7	1	-	6	
Masons	6	6	-	-	
Miners	7	8	-	1	
Painters & Decorators	7	-	-	7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	10	-	-	
Pioneers for duty as :- Bathmen	5	5	-	-	
General Dutyman	69	37	-	32	
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storamen	2	-	-	2	
Vehicle Mechanic (DVE Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watermen	3	1	-	2	
Non-Grademan (Dvis 1C)	9	1	-	8	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included					136

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Trade	MS	Str	Sury	Def	Remarks (incl privities)
Electricians	7	1	-	6	
Bricklayers	10	4	-	9	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	8	-	24	
Clerks	5	1	-	2	
Coopers	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	3	-	9	
Fitters	7	1	-	6	
Masons	6	6	-	-	
Minors	9	8	-	1	
Painters & Decorators	7	-	-	7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	10	-	-	
Pioneers for duty as :- Battal	5	5	-	-	
General Dutyman	69	31	-	38	
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storemen	2	-	-	2	
Vehicle Mechanic (Evr Class)	1	1	-	-	
Waterman	3	1	-	2	
Non-Trademen (Dvis IC)	9	1	-	8	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	73	-	132	136

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STRENGTH REPORT - BATAVIA UNITS

Unit *3rd Battalion, 5th Air Cavalry* Strength as at 1200 hrs *10/10/68*

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	3	-	1
Total	5	4	-	1

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM	1	1	-	-
CQMS	1	1	-	-
Serjeants	4	7	3	-
Total	6	9	3	-

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (Incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	1	3	-	5	
Bricklayers	13	3	-	11	
Carpenters and Joiners	16	7	-	25	
Clerks	3	1	-	2	
Concretors	7	1	-	6	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	4	-	7	
Fitters	7	1	-	6	
Masons	6	1	-	5	
Miners	9	8	-	17	
Painters & Decorators	7	-	-	7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	-	-	10	
Pioneers for duty as :- Battmen	5	4	-	1	
General Dutymen	61	138	59	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	-	-	1	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	1	-	3	
Storemen	3	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watermen	3	3	-	1	
Non-Trademen (Dvrs IC)	9	5	-	4	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included					
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Serjeants	1	1	0
Total	2	2	3

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WB	Str	Surf	Def	Remarks (Incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	1	3		5	
Bricklayers	13	3		11	
Carpenters and Joiners	10	7		25	
Clerks	3	1		3	
Concreters	7	1		6	
Electricians	8	1		7	
Engine Fitters	11	4		7	
Fitters	7	1		6	
Masons	6	1		3	
Miners	9	8		1	
Painters & Decorators	7	-		7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	-		10	
Pioneers for duty as :- Baton	5	4		1	
General Dutymen	67	128	59	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1		-	
Water Dutymen	1	1		-	
Medical Orderly	1	1		-	
Motor Cyclist	1	-		1	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	1		3	
Storeroom	3	3		-	
Vehicle Mechanics (Dns Class)	1	1		-	
Watchmen	3	2		1	135
Non-Tradeomen (Dns 16)	9	5		4	
Cooks attached	8	8		-	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
Baker	-	2	2	-	
Barber	-	1	1	-	
Sailor	-	-	-	-	
Shoemaker	-	2	2	-	
TOTAL	225	187	64	103	

STRENGTH REPORT - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit 4 Station Support Coy Strength as at 1200 hrs 27 JAN 45

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	-	-	1
Subalterns	2	3	-	1
Total	5	3	-	2

B. WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM	1	1	-	-
CQB	1	1	-	-
Serjeants	4	6	2	-
Total	6	8	2	-

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Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	-	-	7	
Bricklayers	13	4	-	9	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	11	-	21	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concretors	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	-	-	11	
Fitters	7	6	-	1	
Masons	6	2	-	4	
Miners	9	3	-	6	
Painters & Decorators	7	3	-	4	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	3	-	7	
Pioneers for duty as :- Battmen	5	2	-	3	
General Dutymen	69	109	140	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist					
Sheet Metal Workers	4	2	-	2	
Storemen	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watchmen	3	3	-	3	
Non-Pradomen (Dvr IC)	9	6	-	3	
Cooks attached	8	6	-	2	
Personnel not included					
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Trade	WE	Sr	Surf	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	-	-	7	
Bricklayers	13	4	-	9	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	11	-	31	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concreteors	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	-	-	11	
Fitters	1	-	-	7	
Masons	6	6	-	-	
Miners	9	3	-	7	
Painters & Decorators	7	3	-	4	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	3	-	7	
Pioneers for duty as :- Father	5	2	-	3	
General Dutyman	69	109	40	-	
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutyman	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storeroom	3	3	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Ex Class)	1	1	-	-	
Waterman	3	-	-	3	
Non-Trademen (Ovs IC)	9	3	-	6	
Cooks attached	8	6	-	2	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	160	40	105	134

SIRANWAH PLAZA - ITALIAN QUARTERS

Unit S. Mahabaleswari. Strength: as at 1200 hrs 27 May 45.

A OFFICERS

	WB	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	4	-	-
Total	5	5	-	-

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WB	Str	Surp	Def
OSM	1	1	-	-
CQMS	1	1	-	-
Serjeants	4	4	-	-
Total	6	6	-	-

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Grade	WB	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	7			
Bricklayers	13	11		2	
Carpenters and Joiners	22	28		4	
Clerks	3	3			
Concretors	7	7			
Electricians	8	6		2	
Engine Fitters	14	7		7	
Fitters	6	2		4	
Masons	9	6		3	
Miners	7	5		2	
Painters & Decorators	10	6		4	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	5	9		1	
Pioneers for duty as :- Pathan	69	5		1	
General Dutymen	1	69			
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutymen	1	1			
Medical Orderly	1	-		1	
Motor Cyclist	1	1			
Sheet Metal Workers	4	3		1	
Storemen	2	2			
Vehicle mechanic (Dvy Class)	1	1			
Waterman	3	3			
Non-Trademen (Dvy IC)	9	3	1*	6	* Casual.
Cooks attached	8	8			
Personnel not included in above trades					

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Trade	ME	Str	Story	Def	Remarks (Incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	7			
Bricklayers	13	11		2	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	38		4	
Clerks	3	3			
Concretors	7	7			
Electricians	8	6		2	
Engine fitters	14	22		8	
Fitters	6	6			
Masons	9	5		4	
Minors	7	6		1	
Painters & Decorators	10	9		1	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	5	5			
Pioneers for duty as :- Datmen	69	69			
General Dutymen	1	1			
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1			
Water Dutyman	1	1		1	
Medical Orderly	1	1			
Motor Cyclist	1	1			
Sheet Metal Workers	4	3		1	
Storemen	2	2			
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1			
Waterman	3	3			
Non-Tradesmen (Dvr IC)	9	3	1*	6	* Contingent
Decks attached	8	8			
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	176	1	29	

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STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN OFFICERS

Unit 8. Stationary Strength as at 1200 hrs. 27. Jan. 55.

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	5	1	-
Total	5	6	1	-

B WO & SENIOR HQCS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM	1	7	-	1
CQIS	1	1	-	-
Serjeants	4	11	7	-
Total	6	19	7	1

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Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	7	-	-	
Bricklayers	13	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	22	-	10	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concretors	7	4	-	-	
Electricians	8	1	-	3	
Engine Fitters	11	3	-	7	
Fitters	7	4	-	3	
Masons	6	-	-	6	
Miners	9	3	-	6	
Painters & Decorators	7	1	-	6	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	3	-	7	
Pioneers for duty as :- Bathmen	5	2	-	-	
General Dutymen	69	92	23	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storemen	3	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	132
Watermen	3	-	-	3	
Non-Trademen (Dvr 16)	9	9	-	-	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Str	Sup	Dec	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	7	-	-	
Bricklayers	13	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	32	-	10	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concreters	7	4	-	3	
Electricians	8	1	-	7	
Engine Fitters	11	3	-	8	
Fitters	7	4	-	3	
Masons	6	-	-	6	
Mirrors	9	3	-	6	
Painters & Decorators	7	1	-	6	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	3	-	7	
Pioneers for duty as :- Eutmon	5	5	-	-	
General Dutymen	69	93	23	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Storamen	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	132
Wabormen	3	-	-	3	
Non-Transportation (Dvr 16)	9	9	-	-	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL	225	185	23	63	

STRENGTH RETURN - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit 10 Malin Longo Coy Strength as at 1200 hrs 27 Jun 45

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surv	Def
Captain	1	-	-	1
Subalterns	4	4	-	-
Total	5	4	-	1

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WE	Str	Surv	Def
CSM	1	-	-	1
CQS	1	1	-	-
Sergeants	4	6	2	-
Total	6	7	2	1

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Trade	WE	Str	Surv	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4	-	3	
Bricklayers	13	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	3	-	29	
Clerks	3	3	-	-	
Concretors	7	-	-	7	
Electricians	8	-	-	8	
Engine Fitters	11	-	-	11	
Fitters	7	-	-	7	
Masons	6	-	-	6	
Minors	9	9	-	-	
Painters & Decorators	7	-	-	7	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	1	-	9	
Pioneers for duty as :- Batmen	5	5	-	-	
General Dutymen	69	123	54	-	
Sanitary Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Water Dutymen	1	1	-	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	-	4	
Stormmen	2	2	-	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	-	
Watermen	3	3	-	-	
Non-Trade men (Dvr 10)	7	3	-	6	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	-	
Personnel not included					
					131

Level									
Surgeons									
Total								6	7
									2
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C RANK AND FILE

Trade	WM	Sup	Def	Remarks (EHL priorities)
Blacksmiths	7	4	3	
Bricklayers	13	-	-	
Carpenters and Joiners	32	-	29	
Clerks	3	3	-	
Concreters	7	-	7	
Electricians	8	-	8	
Engine Fitters	11	-	11	
Fitters	7	-	6	
Masons	6	-	6	
Miners	9	9	-	
Painters & Decorators	1	-	1	
Plumbers & Pipefitters	10	-	9	
Pioneers for duty as :- Batman	5	5	-	
General Dutyman	69	123	34	
Sanitary Dutyman	1	1	-	
Water Dutyman	1	1	-	
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	
Sheet Metal Workers	4	-	4	
Storemen	3	2	-	
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)	1	1	-	
Waterman	3	3	-	
Non-Drummen (Dvr 1C)	9	3	6	
Cooks attached	8	8	-	
Personnel not included in above trades :-				
Baker		3	3	
Barber		2	2	
Sailor		1	1	
Shoemaker		2	2	
TOTAL	215	170	62	97
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STRENGTH REPORT - MALAY UNITS
 93 Malaya, Tan Tuck
 27 Jan 45
 Unit Strength as at 1200 hrs

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain	-	-	-	-
Subalterns	1	1	-	-
Total	1	1	-	-

B WO & SENIOR NCOE

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM				
CQMS				
Serjeants				
Total				

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths				2	
Bricklayers				3	
Carpenters and Joiners					
Cooks					
Concreteers					
Electricians					
Engine Fitters					
Fitters			1		
Masons					
Minors					
Painters & Decorators					
Plumbers & Pipefitters			1		
Pioneers for duty as :- Patrol				3	
General Dutyman					
Sanitary Dutyman					
Water Dutyman					
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist					
Sheet Metal Workers			1		
Storeman					
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)					
Waterman			1		
Non-Trade man (Dvr 12)					
Cooks attached					
Personnel not included					
					2
					130

Total

C RANK and FILE

Trade	VE	Str	Supp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths				2	
Bricklayers				3	
Carpenters and Joiners					
Clerks					
Concretors					
Electricians					
Engine Fitters					
Fitters			1		
Masons					
Miners					
Painters & Decorators					
Plumbers & Pipefitters			1		
Pioneers for duty as :- Patmen				3	
General Dutymen					
Sanitary Dutymen					
Water Dutymen					
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist			1		
Shoot Metal Workers					
Storamen					130
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)					
Watchmen			1		
Non-Tradersmen (Dvr 16)				1	
Cooks attached					
Personnel not included in above trades :- Corporals				2	
TOTAL			4	11	

WE. of this unit NOT KNOWN

SUMMARY REPORT - ITALIAN UNITS

Unit *Det 2 Italian Engr Coy* Strength as at 1200 hrs *27 JAN 45*

A OFFICERS

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
Captain				
Subalterns				
Total				

B WO & SENIOR NCOs

	WE	Str	Surp	Def
CSM				
CQB				
Serjeants				
Total				

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Str	Surp	Def	Remarks (incl priorities)
Blacksmiths					
Bricklayers					
Carpenters and Joiners					
Clocks					
Concretors					
Electricians					
Engine Fitters					
Fitters					
Masons					
Miners					
Painters & Decorators					
Plumbers & Pipefitters					
Pioneers for duty as :- Eatmen					1 Priority (D)
General Duty men					17 Priority (G)
Sanitary Duty men					
Water Duty men					
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist					
Signal Postal Workers					
Storeroom					
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)					
Waterman					2 Priority (B)
Non-Trademen					129
Cooks attached					
Personnel not included in above trades :-					

C RANK and FILE

Trade	WE	Stx	Surp	Def	Remarks (Incl priorities)
Blacksmiths					
Bricklayers					
Carpenters and Joiners					
Clerks					
Concretors					
Electricians					
Engine Fitters					
Fitters					
Masons					
Mechanics					
Painters & Decorators					
Plumbers & Pipefitters					
Pioneers for duty as :- Ratmen				1	Priority (2)
General Dutymen					
Sanitary Dutymen					
Water Dutymen					
Medical Orderly					
Motor Cyclist					
Sheet Metal Workers					
Stonemason					
Vehicle Mechanic (Dvr Class)					
Waterman					
Non-Tradesmen					
Cooks attached					
Personnel not included in above trades :-					
TOTAL				20	2 Priority (3) 129

Serjeants

Total

C O P Y
SUBJECT:- Rft ITALIAN Service Units (BR-ITI)

HQ 15 ARMY GROUP
Tel:- FOXGLOVE 226
3065/7/A(0)
8 Jan 45

CG FIFTH ARMY (Att. Br. Incr. 'A' Branch).
Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY

Copies to:- AFHQ G-1(Br)
MIAA (Ref SD1965 of 19 Dec 44)
G(SD)

1. The method of demanding rfts for ITALIAN service units (BR-ITI) is to be discussed at a meeting to be held at AFHQ in the near future.
2. It is necessary, however, to institute immediately a temporary procedure for demanding these rfts. The following procedure, will therefore, be brought into practice forthwith and continue until further notice.
3. A consolidated statement of surpluses and deficiencies in respect of all BR-ITI service units under command will be rendered, in duplicate, to this HQ, with a copy to Land Forces Sub Comm, fortnightly.
4. The consolidated statement will be made up to noon on Saturday, commencing 13 Jan 45, and will contain the following information:-
 - a) Details by units of surpluses or deficiencies, by arms, ranks and trades.
 - b) Totals by arms, ranks and trades of such surpluses and deficiencies.
 - c) Any priorities desired.

??? for Brig DA & QMG

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Subject:- 104 Engr Bn "MANTOVA" Combat Group.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)

SD/92/2-KE 19/1.

5 Feb 45

56 B.L.U.

Reference your 4E of 30 Jan 45.

The men named on the list attached to your letter were selected as result of instructions issued by the Italian Ministry of War for training and subsequent posting to the Mine Clearance Company which was considerably under strength.

Although it is the intention to post the most suitable men to the Combat Groups, it is regretted that this HQ is not prepared to alter the arrangements already made in this matter.

If, however, there are still remaining at 10 Regt individuals who are specifically required by 104 Engr Bn, arrangements will be made to post them if available.

It is desired also to retain for another special commitment the remainder of the Bridging Unit now at 10 Regt.

R. C. P. Lester Maj

27 Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject : Reinforcements for
Italian Docks Op. Coys.

Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.
Tel : Firebox - 27
Outside line 843119
Ref : Tn.A.1/100/5.
29 Jan 45.

To : Land Forces Sub Commission,
(L.F.S.C.), H.Q., A.C.

RE

Copy to : D.D.M. Docks.
D.D.M. A.F.H.Q.
G-3. Org 3 (Foreign), A.F.H.Q.

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Further to my Tn.A.1/100/4 dated 29 Nov 44.

1. The four Italian Docks Operating Companies are still considerably under strength on the new War Establishment, particularly 921 and 922 Italian Docks Operating Coys.

2. The immediate requirements of reinforcements is given in tabular form below.

	Officers.	O.R.'s.
921 Italian Docks Op. Coy.	-	54
922 " " " "	-	54
923 " " " "	-	32
924 " " " "	-	17
Total.	-	157

3. In addition to the foregoing it will be necessary to provide reinforcements to replace men eligible for demobilisation but who are retained pro tem with the unit pending the liberation of that part of Italy from which they belong.

These requirements remain the same as quoted in para.4 of my Tn.A.1/100/4 dated 29 Nov 44.

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E.L. Triffitt
(E.L. TRIFFITT).
Lt.Col., R.E.
for Brigadier.
Director of Transportation.

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Subject:- Engr Rfts.

Liaison Officer,
Land Forces Sub Comm.,
A.C. (MMIA)
c/c HQ., I District.
Ref. LO/G22.

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14 January 45

To:- Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
M. M. I. A. R O M E.

List of deficiencies attached for your
information and action.

J. M. Bourne
MMIA., HQ., I District.

Capt.

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ITALIAN UNITS UNDER COMMAND
166 (WORKS)

Detailed Statement showing Surplus & Deficiencies in strength divided by trades

TRADES	UNITS													
	2 It. Coy	II It. Eng. Coy	13 It. Eng. Coy	I4 It. Eng. Coy	49 It. Inc. to 707 AW Coy RE	54 It. Inc. to "A" A.W. Coy RE								
	D.	S.	D.	S.	D.	S.	D.	S.	D.	S.	D.	S.	D.	S.
Bricklayers	8	-	9	-	10	-	8	-	2	-	2	-	2	-
Masons	=	=	=	=	6	=	=	=	4	=	4	=	I	=
Concretors	6	=	5	=	5	=	6	=	6	=	6	=	5	=
Plumbers & Pipefitters	4	=	8	=	10	=	9	=	4	=	4	=	I	=
Painters & Decorators	4	=	2	=	2	=	6	=	4	=	4	=	5	=
Carpenters & Joiners	16	=	22	=	14	=	18	=	13	=	13	=	II	=
Lineman (Power)	3	=	6	=	7	=	3	=	2	=	2	=	I	=
Miners	=	=	7	=	9	=	9	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Blacksmiths	2	=	5	=	7	=	=	=	2	=	2	=	=	=
Sheet-metal workers	4	=	=	=	4	=	I	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Steelbenders	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	4	=	4	=	2	=
Timbermen	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	2	=	2	=	=	=
Engine Hands, I.C.	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	2	=	2	=	I	=
Engine Fitters, I.C. & Pumps	=	=	II	=	10	=	II	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Cooks	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	2	=	2	=	I	=
Drivers	4	=	6	=	=	=	5	=	4	=	4	=	6	=
Vehicle Mechanic	I	=	I	=	I	=	I	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Draughtsmen	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	124	=
Sappers	20	=	=	=	33	=	8	=	8	=	8	=	I	=
TOTALS	72	=	82	=	102	=	85	=	59	=	59	=	37	=

REPORT: Report of Units - Italian

SECRET

1581/2/1(33)

14 Jan 45

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ASST 2-1(3)

- 2 Italian Ingr Coy
- 11 -do-
- 13 -do-
- 14 -do-
- 48 It Ingr to 701 Art Sig Coy
- 49 It Ingr to 707 Art Sig Coy
- 50 It Ingr to 'A' Art Sig Coy

Reference: HQ AF No. 3097/15/A(B) (not 3025) dated 5 Oct 44.

1. Formation of the a/c units remains incomplete due to outstanding personnel deficiencies. Deficiency reports have already been submitted through HQ 15 Army Group.

2. It is understood through HQIA channels that provision of these personnel, who are specialists, is likely to take some time.

It is requested, therefore, that action to expedite be taken in order to ensure early completion of formation.

W. L. S.
27. 1. 45

Major General,
Commanding,
No. 1 District

C.M.F.

Copy to :- 61 Area - your 2133A dated 9 Jan 45 refers **123**
 55 Area
 'A'
 UK
 HQIA
 HQIA LG, No. 1 District.

TRANSLATION

Ref 507/22
Date 31 Dec 44

FROM: 230th Div HQ
TO: S.M.R.F.
and for info to UNIA 10

SUBJECT: RCV requests

Ref V.L.F. D/2/ED dated 16/12/1944

Ref letters 177/4/1 C.S. and 177/46.S. dated 15/12/1944
from HQ 54 ARCA.

In compliance with letter we enclose the list pertaining to request for reinforcements.

Numerical Reinforcements Request was (see) Inclusive No 1 to letter 2/07/22 dated 3/1/44

BR-IV units (Compiled on the basis of the War establishments of the units)

Reinforcements requested
Offrs Senior NCO's Troops

UNITS OR HQS			
11th Bn 406 Regiment F.I.	3	-	245
1st Bn 406 Regiment F.I.	-	-	137
1st Bn 407th Regiment and 15th Troop 47th Arty Regt	2	-	588
X 923 Post Unit	1	-	26
502 Stoke Coy	-	-	27
505 Stoke Coy	-	-	49
953 Allied W/Shop Coy	-	-	(2)E1
X 15 Italian Engineer Coy (ex 904 Artillery Laborers Coy)	-	-	(3)22
X 16th Italian Engineer Coy (ex 905 Artillery Laborers Coy)	-	-	(4)15
X 17th Italian Engineer Coy (ex 920 Artillery Laborers Coy)	(1)1	-	(5)86
X 43rd Lt Engineer Coy for the 58 A.S.L.F. (ex 918 Artillery Labor Unit)	-	-	(6)30

Working for 3
Days variation
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(Sgd) GEY VIVALDA

Numerical Reinforcements Request
Enclosure No. 1 to letter
1487/22 dated 31/1/44

ER-1/1 units (Compiled on the basis of the War establishments of the units)

Reinforcements requested
Officers Senior MO's Troops

UNITS OR HQs	Officers	Senior MO's	Troops
11th Bn 406 Regiment P.I.	3	-	245
1st Bn 406 Regiment P.I.	-	-	137
1st Bn 47th Regiment and 15th Troop 47th Arty Regt	2	-	503
X 923 Post Unit	1	-	206
502 Socke Coy	-	-	27
506 Socke Coy	-	-	45
953 Allied W/Shop Coy	-	-	(2)81
X 15 Italian Engineer Coy (ex 904 Artieri Laborers Coy)	-	-	(3)22
X 16th Italian Engineer Coy (ex 905 Artieri Laborers Coy)	-	-	(4)45
X 17th Italian Engineer Coy (ex 920 Artieri Laborers Coy)	(1)1	-	(5)84
X 43rd It Engineer Coy for the 658 A.S.I.L. (ex 918 Artieri Labor Unit)	-	-	(6)30
TOTALS	7	-	1336

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Notes:

- (1) 1 Subalters - Engineer
- (2) of which, 31 military and corporals, 1 barber, 1 shoemaker, 1 tailor, 33 general duty mechanics, 6 drivers, 1 welder, 2 painters, 1 smith, 4 repair-men mechanics.
- (3) of which 7 in order to bring up to War Establishment, 13 in substitution of an equal amount of mil. who are to be demobilized.
- (4) proportionally subdivided into bricklayers, masons, carpenters and plumbers.
- (5) of which 15 bricklayers, 3 smiths, 4 carpenters, 8 electricians, 6 carpenters, 4 mechanics, 6 plumbers, 6 drivers, 27 miners.
- (6) in regard to the war establishment which the unit must assure as established by letter A.1/4/1 of the Allied Armed Forces Hq.

/s/ Gen VIVADA

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SECRET

HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794 US ARMY

Ref: 48A1

5 Jan 45

Subject: Formation of New Units - Italian

G-1(OP) AFHQ (2)

Copy: Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC (MFA)

Ref *5/9/45* CG/1118/G-1(OP) (Ser 1051) dated 15 Nov 44 and further to this *5/9/45* Ref 48A1 dated 16 Nov 44.

Attached herewith for information is Progress Report on the formation of

- HQ 6 Italian Mly Engr Bn
- 1 Italian Mly Engr Coy
- 3 Italian Mly Engr Coy
- 13 Italian Mly Engr Coy

[Signature]
 A.L. LOWERY
 Major
 For Brigadier
 Commander British Troops Rome

UVW/ag

Copy

Subject: Formation of Italian Units

Transportation Increment
C.M.F.
Tel: Webbox - 27
Outside line 843119
TM.A.1/100/5.

2 January 1945

To: HQ
UAAC

Further to my TM.A.1/100/5 dated 27 Dec 44.

1. Herewith Progress Report No.5 on the formation of the under-mentioned units :-

HQ	6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion	Serial 93023
1	Italian Railway Engineer Coy	" 93024
3	Italian Railway Engineer Coy	" 93025
19	Italian Railway Engineer Coy	" 93026

2. No 1 Italian Railway Engineer Coy

(A) Personnel:

<u>Officers:</u>	Present Strength	2
	Deficient	5

Request has been made to M.M.I.A. to post
2 officers known to be available at Trani.

<u>Other Ranks:</u>	Present Strength	262
	Surplus	11

Surplus personnel will be transferred to the 3rd Company.

(B) Clothing & Equipment

(a) Clothing and Equipment for 250 men has already been drawn.

(b) Non-technical equipment - no change.

(C) Transport. No change.

(D) Accommodation. No change.

3. No 3 Italian Railway Engineer Coy.

Progress Nil.

4. No 19 Italian Railway Engineer Coy

Further to my M.A. 1/100/5 dated 27 Dec 44.

1. Herewith Progress Report No. 5 on the formation of the under-mentioned units :-

HQ 6 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion	Serial	93023
1 Italian Railway Engineer Coy	"	93024
3 Italian Railway Engineer Coy	"	93025
19 Italian Railway Engineer Coy	"	93026

2. No 1 Italian Railway Engineer Coy

(A) Personnel:

<u>Officers:</u>	<u>Present Strength</u>	2
	<u>Deficient</u>	3

Request has been made to M.W.I.A. to post 2 officers known to be available at Trani.

<u>Other Ranks:</u>	<u>Present Strength</u>	262
	<u>Surplus</u>	11

Surplus personnel will be transferred to the 3rd Company.

(B) Clothing & Equipment

(a) Clothing and Equipment for 260 men has already been drawn.

(b) Non-technical equipment - no change.

(C) Transport. No change.

(D) Accommodation. No change.

3. No 3 Italian Railway Engineer Coy.

Progress Nil.

4. No 19 Italian Railway Engineer Coy

Progress Nil

5. No 5 Italian Railway Engineer Battalion

No change.

(Sgd) (S.L. TRIFFITE)
 Lt-Col R.F.
 for Brigadier
 Director of Transportation.

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO EERCITO
UFFICIO ORDINAMENTO E MOBILITAZIONE
- Sezione Mobilitazione -

SEGRETO

N. 10351/Mob. di prot.

P.M. 3800, 11 30 / 12/44

OGGETTO: Complementi per 561[^] e 562[^] cp. rastrellamento mine. =

= ALLA L.F.S.C. A.C. (M.M.I.A.)

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

= AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA = Gabinetto Uff. C.A.

P.M. 3800

Riferimento foglio R.E. 19/i del 11 corr. e seguito accordi tra il
maggiore COPELSTON ed il maggiore TAGLIONI =

1) - E' stata disposta l'assegnazione dei 4 ufficiali subalterni necessari a completare le compagnie in oggetto. Di detti ufficiali, uno per ciascuna compagnia sarà avviato presso il 10° rgt. genio a S. Maria C.V., onde inquadrare il personale e sovrintendere all'addestramento. =

2) - E' stato disposto l'approntamento e l'addestramento presso il 10° rgt. genio a S. Maria C.V. di:

- 90 artieri per la 561[^] cp. rastr. mine;
- 85 artieri per la 562[^] cp. rastr. mine.

Detto personale sarà pronto a muovere per il 16 gennaio p.v. =

Si prega di impartire, a suo tempo, le disposizioni per il movimento. =



IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(Alessandro Santi)

Alessandro Santi

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SECRET

HQ ROAD AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 754 US ARMY

Ref: 4SA1

21 Dec 44

Subject: Formation of New Units -
Italian (Engineers)

Land Forces Sub-Commission AC (M.I.A.)

Copy: C-1(B) A1 AFHQ

Ref AFHQ CR/1156/G-1(Br)(ser0925) dated 26 Oct 44 and further to this HQ 4SA1 dated 16 Nov 44.

1. Deficiencies in personnel against WE Al/4/1 of 52 Italian Increment to 721 AW Coy RE as at 16 Dec 44 were as follows:-

Other Ranks

Blacksmiths	3	
Draughtsmen	1	
Electrical Wiremen	3	
Painter & Decorators	7	
Plumbers	4	
Steelbenders	8	
Drivers IC	6	
Carpenters & Joiners	9	
Concretors	5	
Masons	1	
Pioneers	1	Cpl
Sanitary Dutymen	1	
Cooks	1	
	6	

Total Deficiencies: 54

2. Deficiencies in personnel against WE Al/4/1 of 50 Italian Increment to 715 AW Coy RE as at 16 Dec 44 were:-

Subalterns (one to be an interpreter)	2
C.Q.S.M.	1
Clerks	1
Electricians	1
Painters	7
Steelbenders	5
Timbermen F.W.	2
Carpenter	4
Concretors	2
Plumbers	4
Engine Hand I.C	1
Batmen	6
Cooks	4
Drivers	5
Bricklayers	2

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Total Deficiencies

47

Blacksmiths
 Draughtsmen
 Electrical Wiremen
 Painter & Decorators
 Plumbers
 Steelbenders
 Drivers IC
 Carpenters & Joiners
 Concretors
 Masons
 Pioneers
 Sanitary Dutyman
 Cooks

Total Deficiencies:

54

2. Deficiencies in personnel against WE Al/4/1 of 50 Italian Increment to 715 AW Coy AB as at 16 Dec 44 were:-

Subalterns (one to be an interpreter)

C.Q.S.M.
 Clerks
 Electricians
 Painters
 Steelbenders
 Timbemen F.W.
 Carpenter
 Concretors
 Plumbers
 Engine Hand I.C
 Batmen
 Cooks
 Drivers
 Bricklayers

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Total Deficiencies

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EWV/ag

A.L. Loudin
 A.L. LOUDIN
 Major
 Major Brigadier
 Commander British Troops Rome

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15 ITALIAN ENGR COY

Taranto 6/XII/44

Alla M.M.I.A.
ROMA

Prot. N. 2424/12
OGGETTO: Richiesta Complementi

Request for 11th Repart

Pregasi interessare lo S.M.R.E. affinché disponga che dal Comando Riordinamento per Alleati in Trani vengano assegnati a questo Reparto n.25 complementi specializzati come segue per integrare le deficienze nelle specializzazioni medesime:

- muratori.....n; 4
- cementisti....." 2
- falegnami....." 2
- carpentieri....." 14
- tubisti....." 3

Totale...n.25

Questo Reparto è attualmente impiegato alle dipendenze della 319 Section Works nella circoscrizione del No 3 District.



Il Capitano Comandante
(Leone Vincenzo)

Leone

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319 WORKS SECTION 3.E.
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G. M. ...

SUBJECT:- Conversion of Units - Italian

S E C R E T

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3 District
Tel Ext 21
104/422 A
20 Dec 44

Handwritten notes:
R/S
23/12

AFHQ G1(Br) A1 Section
Land Forces Sub-Commission
Allied Commission MIA

923 Italian Docks On Coy (Italian Army)

Reference your CR/1026/G1(Br)(Ser1036) dated 12 Nov 44.

1. A copy of Strength Return showing deficiencies of the a/m unit is attached.
2. Ranks in the Italian Army vary from those in the British Army and the WE cannot therefore be followed exactly. There is also no system of tradesmen but it is requested that reinforcements supplied to fill vacancies should be suitably trained.

AKC/JAW

Handwritten signature:
W. Maj Gen
Comd

923 Italian Docks Operating Company.

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	<u>WE.A1/58/1</u>	<u>Strength</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Deficient.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
Officers	7	8	1		
W.Os. & Sgts	23	32	9		
Carpenters	3	3			
Clerks	14	10	-	4	
Checkers	56	48	-	8	Must be literate & have knowledge of elementary maths.
Drivers Crane	22	22			
Drivers T.P.	10	7	-	3	Men with some mechanical knowledge & able to drive motor cars required.
Stevedores	248	227	-	21	Must be men capable of heavy manual work.
Cooks	9	9			
Drivers of Vehicles	4	4			
Motor Cyclists	2	1	-	1	
General Duties men	35	35	-	-	
	<u>433</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>37</u>	

Field.
29.11.44.

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Subject:- Expansion of PAF Units

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MHA)
30/12
27 Dec 44

MHA 10 West BIRKENHEAD
copy to MHA 10 BIRKENHEAD Army
C(10) MHA 10 BIRKENHEAD ARMY

Ref: your 10/102 of 16 Dec 44.

1. It is noted that copy units under 228 Div are deficient of 5 officers and 465 Gns.
2. The deficiency in officers must be met by 228 Div applying for suitable men to be posted by the Italian Ministry of War.
3. The deficiencies in Gns of 300 (assuming 165 men arrive from TUNIS in the near future) will be met as men are available as a result of the call-up.

Please include your copy requirements in the return asked for in this M letter of 6/1 of 21 Dec 44.

R. G. Pleaton
Maj

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (114)

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10/102

Subject:- 91 Italian Can Pl.

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MIA)
Rly 19/1
1st Dec 44

Main HQ 10 Corps

Ref your 100/15/G(CAM) of 12 Dec, with regard to rfts for 91 Can Pl., 165 Italian engr rfts have recently been put at the disposal of Eighth Army for posting to Italian Units.

It is suggested that suitable rfts might be found from among these men.

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Ray Maj Gen

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MIA)

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Subject :- SI Italian Cam PI.

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main Hq. 10 Corps.
10C/15/G(Cam).

12 Dec 44.

Army Sub Commission ACC.

Ref our 10C/15/G(Cam) dated 21 Nov 44. 214

1. Will you please state whether the reinforcements listed are to be forthcoming.
2. HQ Eighth Army is pressing for completion report.

*F. Stanley 16 Feb 45
Capt*

FOR GSO. III Cam.

Copy to : "A" Rear 10 Corps.

Subject :- Conversion of Units - Italian.
921 & 922 (Italian) Docks Op. Coys.

SECRET

3 District
Tel Ext 21
104/422A

13 Dec 44.

G1 (HR) A1 Section AFHQ

Land Forces Sub Commission AC MMIA.

Ref your letter CR/1026/3-1(HR)(Ser 1036) dated 12 Nov 44.

Attached statement called for in para 4 of your a/q letter is forwarded in respect of the above mentioned units

AKC/MEP

Dieb 111
Maj Gen.,
Comd.

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From: H.S. No. 5 Do 3 Group, B.I.

Ref. DG5/112.

To: A.A. & C.M.G. 54 Area

Subject: 921 & 922 (Italian) Dock Quarantine Companies.
Conversion of Units.

Your ref. 4080/33/A dated 24 Nov 44 and A.P.F.O. CH/1025/G.1 (BR) (Ser. 1036) dated 12 Nov 44 - herewith strength state of personnel by ranks & trades of 921 and 922 (It) D.C.Co as at 3 December 1944.

922 D.O.C.

DETAIL	NEW W.O. FOR 11/58/1	ACTUAL STRENGTH	LOF.	SURPLUS.	REMARKS.
Major	1	1 (Lt. Col)	-	-	
Captains	2	Nil	2	-	
Subs.	4	6	-	2	
M.O.		1	-	1	
Total Officers	7	8	2	3	
W.O.I.	1	2	-	1	
W.O.II.	4	11	-	7	
C.O.W.	1	1	-	-	
C.O.M.S.	1	1	-	-	
Sgt. Cook	1	1	-	-	
Sgts.	15	19	-	4	
Total W.Os. etc.	23	35	Nil	12	
E/Sgts.	10	29	-	19	
Corporals	27	26	1	-	
I/Cpls	48	-	48	-	
Sprs.	204	276	18	-	
Drvs.	24	4	20	-	
Total R.&F.	403	335	87	19	
Total O.Rs.	425	370	87	31	
Total Italian					
D.C.C.	433	378	87	32	110
TRADESMEN.					
Carpenters	3	3	-	-	
Checkers	56	52	4	-	
Clerks Gen.	4	14	-	-	
" Rly.	10	10	-	-	
Drivers Crane	22	27	-	5	
" (Tr. Pl)	10	Nil	10	-	

DETAILS	NEW W.O. IN 01/58/1	ACTUAL STRENGTH	DEF.	SURPLUS.	REMARKS.
Major	1	1 (Lt. Col.)	-	-	
Captains	2	Nil	2	-	
Subs.	4	6	-	2	
M.O.		1	-	1	
Total Officers	7	8	2	3	
W.O.I.	1	2	-	1	
W.O.II.	4	14	-	7	
C.S.M.	1	1	-	-	
C.Q.M.S.	1	1	-	-	
Sgt. Cook	1	1	-	-	
Sgts.	15	19	-	4	
Total W.Os. etc.	23	35	Nil	12	
I/Sgts.	10	22	-	12	
Corporals	27	26	1	-	
I/Cpls	48	-	48	-	
Sprs.	294	276	18	-	
Drvs.	24	4	20	-	
Total R.&F.	403	335	67	19	
Total O.Rs.	426	370	67	31	
Total Itelion					
R.O.S.	433	378	67	32	110
TRADESMEN.					
Carpenters	3	3	-	-	
Checkers	56	52	4	-	
Clerks Gen.	4)	14	-	-	
" Rly.	10)	27	-	5	
Drivers Crane	22	Nil	10	-	
" (Tr. Pl)	10	220	28	-	
Stevadores	248				
Pioneers for duty as					
Carp. Mates	3	Nil	3	-	
Capstammen	4	"	4	-	
Mooring men	2	"	2	-	
Wagon label	6	"	6	-	
Cooks for					
Cff. Mess	1	1	-	-	
O. Rs. Mess	8	5	3	-	
Total Tradesmen	377	322	60	5	

22. (Italian) D.C.V. (contd.)

DETAIL	NEW W.O.B. PER 41/58/1	ACTUAL STRENGTH	DET.	SURPLUS.	REMARKS.
<u>NON TRADESMEN.</u>					
Drivers for duty as:					
Batmen	4)				
Driver	4)				
M.C.	2)	41	NIL	15	
Orderlies	10)				
Water duty men	4)				
L.Os Orderlies	2)				
Total M.M.	25	41	NIL	15	
Total M.& F.	403	363	60	20	
<u>TRANSPORT</u>					
Bicycles	4	NIL	4	-	
M/C	42	1	1	-	
Car 2 str.	1	1 15cwt in lieu	-	-	
Lorries 3ton	2	1	1	-	
Tlr. 15 cwt. water	1	NIL	1	-	

221 (Italian) Dock Operating Company.

DETAIL	NEW W.O.B.	ACTUAL STRENGTH	DET.	SURPLUS.	REMARKS.
Major	1	1	-	-	
Capt.	2	-	2	-	
Subs.	4	6	-	2	
M.C.	-	1	-	1	
Total Officers	7	8	2	3	
W.O.I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O.II.	4	12	-	8	
C.S.M.	1	1	-	-	
C.Q.M.S.	1	1	-	-	
Sgt. Cook	1	1	-	-	
Sgts.	15	15	-	-	
Total W.O.s & Sgts.	23	31	-	8	109
L/Sgts.	10	26	-	16	
Corporals	27	37	-	10	
L/Cpls	48	-	48	-	
Sappers	294	318	-	24	

L.Os Orderlies 2)					
Total N.I.	25	41	15		
Total R. & F.	403	263	29		
<u>TRANSPORT</u>					
Bicycles	4	NIL	-		
M/C	42	1	-		
Car 2 atz.	1	1 150wt in lieu	-		
Lorries 3ton	2	1	-		
Flr. 15 cwt. water	1	NIL	-		

221 (Italian) Rock Cratering Company.

DETAIL	NEW W.Os.	ACTUAL STRENGTH	DET.	SERVICES.	REMARKS.
Major	1	1	-	-	
Capt.	2	2	-	-	
Subs.	4	6	-	2	
M.O.	-	1	-	1	
Total Officers	7	8	2	3	
W.O.I.	1	1	-	-	
W.O.II.	4	12	-	8	
C.S.M.	1	1	-	-	
C.Q.M.S.	1	1	-	-	
Sgt. Cook	1	1	-	-	
Sgts.	15	15	-	-	
Total W.Os & Sgts.	23	31	-	8	109
I/Sgts.	10	26	-	16	
Corporals	27	37	-	10	
L/Cpls	48	-	48	-	
Sappers	294	313	-	24	
Drivers	24	4	20	-	
Total R. & F.	403	385	58	50	
Total O.Hs.	426	416	62	50	
Total (All Rks.)	433	424	70	51	

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921 (Italian) D.C.S. (cont'd)

POSTAL	NEW U.S.	ACTUAL SEP 30TH	DEF.	SURPLUS.	REWARDS.
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>					
Carriers	3	2	1	-	-
Checkers	56	15	24	-	-
Clerks Gen.	4	12	-	8	-
" Rly.	16	4	6	-	-
Drivers Corps	22	22	-	-	-
" T.P.	10	-	10	-	-
Stoveres	248	235	12	-	-
Pioneers for duty post					
Corp. Rates	3	3	1	-	-
Captain	4	-	4	-	-
Mcorington	2	-	2	-	-
Magor labellera	6	-	6	-	-
Cooks for Officers Mess	1	2	-	-	-
C. Se mess	3	5	3	-	-
Total Dragoon	379	340	66	0	0
<u>NON-TRANSPORT.</u>					
Drivers for duty es:					
Battal.	4				
Drivers	4				
M.C.	2	47	-	-	21
Orderlies	10				
Water duty men	3				
M.Cs Cycleries	2				
Total N.T.	26	47	-	21	21
Total R.C.S.	405	387	66	30	30
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>					
Bicycles	4		4	-	-
M/C	2		1	-	-
Car 2 str.	1		1	-	-
Lorries 3ton	2		1	-	-
Trailer 15cwt water	1		1	-	-
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U.S.S.	248	235	12	-
Stevenson				
Officers for				
Duty 2d.	3	2	1	-
Carl. Matter	4	-	1	-
Coxswain	2	-	1	-
Mooringman	6	-	1	-
Wagon handlers				
Cooks for	1	2	-	1
Officers mess	6	5	-	-
U.S. mess				
Total Enginemen	27	320	55	5
NON-TECH. PERSONNEL				
Drivers for				
Duty 2d.	4			
Boatmen	4			
Drivers	2	67		21
E.O.	10			
Crew chief	4			
Water duty men	4			
K.O. Orderlies	2			
Total N.T.P.	26	67	-	21
Total R. & P.	403	387	65	30
TRANSPORT				
Bicycles	4		4	-
W/C	2	1	1	-
Car 2 str.	1	1	1	-
Lowrie 3ton	2			
Insuler 15cwt	1		1	-
water				
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Bob Lawrence

.....Capt. R. E. adjutant for
Lt. Col. R. B.
W. C. Odley
Commanding No. 5 Dock Group, R. B.

C.M.F.
6 Dec 44
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Subject:- Mine Clearance Coy.

Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MIA)
HS 19/1
11 Dec 44

Ministry of War

This HQ has been informed that 551 and 562 Mine Clearance Companies are deficient of 4 officers and 175 men.

It is requested that you investigate the suitability for this work of the officers now awaiting posting at K Regt^o del Genie and inform this HQ of the numbers available. On receipt of this information movement will be arranged.

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for HQ Gen

Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MIA)

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Copy to A.C. for Civil Affairs. Ref your 9/BA/CA of 9 Dec
C(SD)(2)

Subject :- Formation of 6 Italian Engr Coy

SECRET

1 Army Engr Coln GMP
A 22
27 Nov 44

1 Army Sub-Commission AOB
Main Eighth Army (G(2D))
Rear Eighth Army (GS)

Reference Main HQ Eighth Army Letter 5913 A, dated
2 Nov 44.

Herewith detailed lists of surpluses and deficiencies
in respect of 6 Italian Engr Coy.

T.V. Robinson
Lt-Col
GRAC

6 t h I T A L I A N E N G I N E E R C O M P A N Y

Detail	H.Q.	3 Pls (each)	Total Italian Engineer Coy	Present Strength	Deficiencies	Surplus
Captain	1	-	1	-	1	-
Subalterns	1	1	4	4	-	-
<u>Total Officers</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>			
Company Sjt Major	1	-	1	2	-	1
C.Q.M.S.	1	-	1	-	1	-
Serjeants	1	1	4	8	-	4
<u>Total WOs & Sjts</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>			
Corporals Sapper C1	3	4	15	25	-	10
" Driver C1	1	-	1	2	-	1
Sappers	24	56	192	156	36	-
Drivers	9	-	9	4	5	-
<u>Total Rank and File</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>217</u>			
Cooks (attached)	2	2	8	-	8	-
<u>Total Engineer Coy</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>201</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>16</u>

6th ITALIAN ENGINEER COMPANY

	W.E.	Strength	Deficient	Surplus
<u>Tradesmen:</u>				
Blacksmiths	7	4	3	-
Bricklayers	13	12	1	-
Carpenters and Joiners	32	13	19	-
Clerks	3	1	2	-
Conceters	7	-	7	-
Electricians (Maintenance)	8	6	2	-
Engine Fitters (I.C. and Pumps)	11	5	8	-
Fitters	7	-	7	-
Masons	6	3	3	-
Miners	9	5	4	-
Painters and Decorators	7	-	7	-
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	10	1	9	-
<u>Pioneers for duty as</u>				
Batmen	5	5	-	-
General duty men	69	116	-	47
Sanitary " "	1	1	-	-
Water	1	1	-	-
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-
Motor Cyclist	1	1	-	-
Sheet Metal Workers	4	4	-	-
Storemen	2	2	-	-
Vehicle Mechanics (Driver Class)	1	1	-	-
Waterman	3	3	-	-
Total Tradesmen	9	4	5	-
Drivers Non-Tradesmen				
Total Rank and File	217	187	77	47

TRANSPORT

Detail	W.E.	Present Holding	Deficient
Bicycles	2	-	2
Motor Cycle, Solo	1	-	1
Car, 4 x 2	1	-	1
Trucks, 15 cwt, 4 x 2 G.S.	5	-	3
Lorries, 3 ton, 4 x 2 G.S.	4	1	3
Trailer, 15 cwt, 180 Gall.	1	-	1
		1	10 ⁴
		1	Surplus

Masons	9	5	4	-
Miners	7	-	7	-
Painters and Decorators	10	1	9	-
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters				
<u>Pioneers for duty as</u>				
Batmen	5	5	-	47
General duty men	69	116	-	-
Sanitary "	1	1	-	-
Water "	1	1	-	-
Medical Orderly	1	1	-	-
Motor Cyclist	4	4	-	-
Sheet Metal Workers	2	2	-	-
Storemen	1	1	-	-
Vehicle Mechanics (Driver Class)	3	3	-	-
Waterman				
Total Tradesmen	9	4	5	-
Drivers Non-Tradesmen				
Total Rank and File	217	187	77	47

TRANSPORT

Detail	W.B.	Present Holding	Deficient
Bicycles	2	-	2
Motor Cycle, Solo	1	-	1
Car, 4 x 2	1	-	1
Trucks, 15 cwt, 4 x 2 G.S.	5	-	3
Lorries, 3 ton, 4 x 2 G.S.	4	1	3
Trailer, 15 cwt, 180 Gall.	1	-	104
Lorry, 6 ton Fiat		1	Surplus

R. R. Taylor
 Lt., R.E.,
 O; i/c 811 Bridge Dump

Subject:- Reinforcements - Italian

MEIA IO,
British Increment (A Branch),
Rear HQ Fifth Army,
CGF.

19/1

MEIA HQ

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

5/10/2A

Copy to: DAAG

9 Dec 44

1 I have received from OC 697 AM Coy RE the attached statement of deficiencies of personnel by rank and trade - as at 3 December - in the Italian Increment to that unit.

2 May the requisite personnel be posted to make up the deficiencies as shown.

Re
11/12

amnest Capt,
MEIA IO.

AMV/KLJ

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A/101 37.

SUBJECT:- W.E. Italian Increment.
73 CHE(Works), C.I.P.

Reference your MS/113 of 13 Oct 44 and MS/113 of 9 Nov 44, herewith report, in quadruplicate, of deficiencies of Italian personnel.

MAJOR R.E.
 O.C. 697 ARTIZAN WORKS COMPANY, RE.

Field.
 3 Dec 44.
 ER/AF.

TRADE.	W.E.	Actual Strength.	Surplus.	Deficiencies.
Blacksmiths. (incl Steelbenders & Steelbenders f.C.).	10	7		3
Bricklayers. (incl Masons).	22	11		1
Carpenters & Joiners.	20	13	1	7
Clerks.	2	3		8
Concretors.	8	-		
Draughtsman (Arch).	1	1		
Electrician (Wiremen).	2	2		2
Lineman (Power).	2	-		4
Painters & Decorators.	8	4		
Plumbers & Pipefitters.	4	4		
Timbermen (PW).	2	2		
Engine Hands I.C. (incl Fitters).	2	11	9	
Pioneers.R.E.	45	65	20	
<u>NON-TRADESMEN.</u>				
Drivers I.C. (for duty as Transport NCO)	1			102
Drivers.	6	8	2	
Batmen.	8	8k		
Sanitary Duties.	1			1
Water Duties.	1			1
Cooks.	-	5	5	
Shoemaker.	-	1	1	
Barber.	-	1	1	
Tailor.	-	1	1	
TOTALS.	135	147	40	28

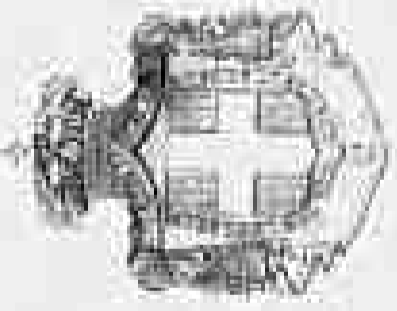
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Blacksmiths. (incl Steelbenders & Steelbenders f.o.).	10	7		3
Bricklayers. (incl Masons).	22	11		1
Carpenters & Joiners.	20	13	1	7
Clerks.	2	3		8
Concretors.	8	-		
Draughtsman (Arch).	1	2		
Electrician (Wiremen).	2	-		2
Lineman (Power).	8	4		4
Painters & Decorators.	4	4		
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Pioneers.R.E.				
NON-TRADESMEN.				
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Drivers.	6	8	2	
Batmen.	8	8x		
Sanitary Duties.	1			1
Water Duties.	1			1
Cooks.	-	5	5	
Shoemaker.	-	1	1	
Barber.	-	1	1	
Tailor.	-	1	1	
TOTALS.	135	147	40	28

The above is made up as follows:-

Surplus O.Rs.....12.

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Spett.le *Comandante dell'Arma del Genio*

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MEMORIA PER IL COL. RR. Cripps A.C.H.Q.
-CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION -APO 394-

R O M A

OGGETTO Richiesta di complementi per la 561[^] e la 562[^]
Compagnie Rastrellatori Mine.-

La 561[^] e la 562[^] Compagnie Rastrellatori costitutesi su di un organico di 5 ufficiali -222 sottufficiali e truppa, hanno attualmente una forza effettiva rispettivamente 4 ufficiali e 128 sottufficiali e truppa e di 2 ufficiali e 141 sottufficiali e truppa con una deficienza sugli organici quindi di 1 ufficiale e 94 uomini di truppa, e di 3 ufficiali e 81 uomini di truppa.-

La presente comunicazione ha lo scopo, a seguito degli affidamenti forniti da V.S., di provocare l'assegnazione dei complementi occorrenti per portare nuovamente all'ordine sopra accennato i due reparti citati e potere in questi termini aumentare il loro rendimento al lavoro di rastrellamento mine

IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO

(P. SUPINO)

Carlo Lupino

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Il presente documento è classificato "segreto" in base alla legge n. 117 del 1968 e alla legge n. 30 del 1990.

PRO MEMORIA PER IL COL. RR. Cripps A.C.H.Q.
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IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO

(P. SUPINO)

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Subject: Formation-
Italian units re

No. 4 Adv. PR. Fin
82nd W & F Coy, S.A.B.C.

Ref: 4/AF/22

To:
GRAC I Army Tpt Co. In.
G(SD) H. Main Army
Army Sub-Commission ACC
DDOC Rear Army
Italian Adm H.
Italian Military Mission.

24-11-44

RE:
2/12

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19/11

Herewith statement showing war establishment and present strength of

B Italian Engineer Coy

as instructed in paras 3 & 4 of Main H. Eighth Army's letter M 5913 of 2 Nov. 44

.....Lt. S.A.B.C.
C. i.e. No. 4 Adv. PR. Fin.

UNIT: ENGINEER 5 11001 2000000 COY.

Staff.

Grade	Regiment		Company		Total
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	
Captain	1	1	1	1	4
1st Lieutenant	1	4	1	1	7
Company Sergeant Major	1	1	1	1	4
Platoon	1	1	1	1	4
Platoon Sergeants	1	4	4	1	10
Corporals	3	4	13	7	27
Company Clerk	1	1	1	1	4
Company Drivers	24	55	132	25	136
Drivers	9	0	9	0	18
Cooks	2	2	8	4	16
Total	53	70	170	44	267

Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties.

Blacksmiths	7
Bricklayers	13
Carpenters	32
Clerks	6
Concoctors	7
Electricians	6
Fitters (all types)	15
Masons	9
Miners	3
Painters and decorators	7
Plumbers	10
Wagoners	5
General dutymen	63
Specialty dutymen	1
Water dutymen (total)	4
Medical orderly	1
Motor cyclist	1
Sheetmetal workers	4
Stokers	2
Vehicle mechanics (drv cl)	1
Drivers	9
Total	170

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TRANSPORT

Driver classes	1	1	1	1	1	1
1945	24	50	192	85	200	407
Drivers	9	-	9	-	9	-
Trucks	2	3	8	4	4	4
Total	35	53	209	89	113	407

Distribution of personnel file by branch in units.

Blacksmiths	7	7	-	7	-	-	-
Tricklers	10	10	-	-	-	-	-
Carpenters	20	20	-	-	-	-	-
Clarks	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Concretors	7	7	-	-	-	-	-
Electricians	8	8	-	-	-	-	-
Fitters (all types)	15	15	-	-	-	-	-
Masons	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Painters	7	7	-	-	-	-	-
Painters and decorators	10	10	-	-	-	-	-
Plumbers	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Pioneers	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Women	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
General duty men	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary duty men	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Water duty men (total)	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Medical orderly	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Motor cyclist	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sheet metal workers	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Storeroom	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Vehicle mechanics (dvr cl)	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Drivers	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Total	117	117	-	-	-	-	99

Transport

Bicycles	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Motor cycle	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Car 2 center 4x2	1	1	u/s	-	-	-	-
Trucks 16-cwt 4x2 58	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Lorries 3-ton 4x2 G3	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Trailer, 15 cwt 2-wheeled water 100 B 1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

Present strength as on 24th Nov. 1944.

SUBJECT: Formations - Italian Units, RE.

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1581/2/G

22 Nov 44

A(0) AAI.

Ref this HQ 1581/2/G dated 17 Nov 44, para 3.

1. Herewith statement showing deficiencies of personnel in the Formation of 44 Italian Increment to 664 Artisan Works Coy, RE :-

<u>RANK</u>	<u>WS</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>SURPLUS</u>	<u>DEFICIENCIES</u>
Captain	1	-	-	1
Subaltern	3	4	1	-
CSM	1	1	-	-
COSS	1	-	-	1
Serjeants	3	4	1	-
Cpl. & S.	11	13	2	-
Sappers	126	100	-	26
Drivers	6	-	-	6
TOTAL	152	122	4	34

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Command

2nd Gen
Comd No. 1 District **98**

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Subject :- 91 Italian Cam Pl.

Main Hq 10 Corps.
IOC/15/G(Cam).

21 Nov 44.

Army Sub Commission ACC. -----

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G(SD) Hq 10 Corps.

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Reference HQ AAF letter 3097/15/A(0) (Ser 0255)
dated 5 Oct 44.

1. PERSONNEL.

Personnel available from 960 MASCHERATORI PI
together with deficiencies are shown at Appendices A
and B to this letter.

2. TRANSPORT.

Tpt available from 960 MASCHERATORI PI and def-
iciencies are listed in Appx. C.

3. EQUIPMENT.

This will be dealt with as soon as establishment
arrives.

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Capt. A G S. H.
GSO. III Cam. 97

SECRET 214APPENDIX "A"PERSONNEL BY RANK.

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Available 500 Mascher-</u> <u>atori Pl</u>	<u>Deficiencies on</u> <u>W.E. A1/52/1.</u>
Officers	1	-
Sergeants	3	1
Corporals	4	1
Sappers	<u>22</u>	10
Total	<u>29</u>	12

APPENDIX "B"LIST OF FILE BY TRADES & RANKS.

Blacksmiths	-	3
Carpenters & joiners	6	1
Pioneers	19(a)	1
Cook	-	1
Drivers i/c	<u>1</u>	1
Total	<u>26</u>	6

(a) Trained in Canvas work 2.

APPENDIX "C"TRANSPORT.

Truck, 15 cwt, 4 x 2, G.S.	1	-
Lorries, 3 ton 4 x 2 G.S.	1	1

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THE ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel:-- WILPOI 16

2543/2/RS

11 Nov 44

RE

22/11

SUBJECT : Italian Engr Sfts

AFHQ (attn OE)

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1. Now that the responsibility for the org and trng of the Italian Army has passed from this HQ to AFHQ (vide AFHQ letter AG 094.711/169 GUT-0 dated 30 Oct) it is considered desirable that your attention should be drawn to the present unsatisfactory method of retraining Italian engr units.

2. The major source of supply of rfts for the Italian army is the present enlistment programme, and all rfts now becoming available are newly enlisted recruits. Up to now it has been the practice for rfts to be sent en bloc up to Armies and Districts without having been trained or clothed or screened.

3. It is understood, however, that all rfts are now to be screened and clothed at Base Depots. This matter has been discussed with MIA, and it has been further agreed that there must be adequate engr representation at each base depot to ensure that every man with trade or other suitable qualifications is earmarked as an engr rft. Only by this means can it be ensured that the Italian engr unit will form a useful substitute for the equivalent British unit in the order of battle.

4. It is therefore recommended that a fully-qualified Italian engr rft should be present at each base depot where screening and allocation to arms and services takes place.

5. It should also be ensured that all engr rfts are provided, before leaving the base depot, with their authorized scale of clothing and equipment.

6. It has also been agreed as essential that every engr recruit should be given basic trng before proceeding to a unit. This can best be carried out at CAPVA under the direction of the EPE where trng facilities are already available. EPE agree and state that a suitable site and buildings for the proposed Italian Wing exist between CAPVA and SANTA MARIA.

7. The size of the wing will be dependent on three factors :-

- (a) The present rate of call-up which is being accepted at its maximum until the programme for the formation of units is complete. The maximum expected rate is 50 per day for the next three months.

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1. Now that the responsibility for the onr and try of the Italian army has passed from this HQ to AFHQ (vide AFHQ letter AG 091.714/165 AGT-0 dated 30 Oct) it is considered desirable that your attention should be drawn to the present unsatisfactory method of recruiting Italian ongr units.

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7. The size of the wing will be dependent on three factors :-

- (a) The present rate of call-up which is being accepted at its maximum until the programme for the formation of units is complete. The maximum expected rate is 30 per day for the next three months.
- (b) The output required to meet wastage of
 - (i) the GRUPPI
 - and (ii) L of C and diluted units
 a total which will be substantially less than 7 (a) above.
- (c) The period of try which it is intended to give each recruit.

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6. The peak strength of the wing will be during the period of maximum intake, i.e. over the next three months, after which time the formation of all new engr units should be complete; thereafter there will be a steady decline to a constant strength compatible with the required output to meet wastage.

Based on a minimum of two months' try for all recruits, the peak strength of the wing during the next three months will be 1800, comprising two months' intake at 50 per cent:

The final and permanent strength will be 220, as follows:

two months' wastage of I of O and diluted units at 60 per month (0.8%)	120
two months' wastage per CHURCH at 50 per month (2.5%)	100
Total	220

9. A period of two months' try is considered essential for all recruits, to consist of three weeks all-arms basic try followed by a further 5 weeks combined engr and all-arms try. At the conclusion of each course, the best recruits from the party would be selected in accordance with the Command as rate for the CHURCH units, the remainder for I of O and diluted units.

Regarding instructional staff, if will be necessary in the initial stage to provide a Brit Cadre, which for the first three months should consist of

1 Major
2 Captains
3 Subalterns
35 POCs

This staff will be purely temporary and should be replaced by Italians at the earliest opportunity; to this end the try of suitable Italian instructors at the SMI should be preceded with it once, it may also be necessary to provide a small Brit Stores Cadre for the control of technical try stores and eqpt.

10. In view of the poor efficiency of existing Italian units and of the impending formation of a further 11 Ingr Coys, it is recommended that the above proposals should be put into effect without delay.

The final and permanent strength will be 200, as follows

two month's wastage of L of G and diluted units at 65 per month (6.5%)	120
two month's wastage for GHQ and 50 per month (2.5%)	100

Total	220

9. A period of two months try is considered essential for all recruits, to consist of three weeks all-arms basic try followed by a further 3 weeks combined ~~engr~~ and all-arms try. At the conclusion of each course, the best recruits from the party would be selected in accordance with the demand as fits for the GHQ units, the remainder of C and diluted units.

Regarding instructional staff, it will be necessary in the initial stage to provide a Exit Cadre, which for the first three months should consist of

- 1 Major
- 2 Captains
- 3 Subalterns
- 25 NCOs

This staff will be purely temporary and should be replaced by Italians at the earliest opportunity; to this end the try of suitable Italian instructors at the S.E. should be proceeded with at once. It may also be necessary to provide a small Exit Stores Cadre for the control of technical try stores and apt.

10. In view of the poor efficiency of existing Italian units and of the impending formation of a further 11 Eng Coy's, it is recommended that the above proposals should be put into effect without delay.

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Major General,
Chief Engineer,
for General,
C in C.

Subject : Formation of Italian Units RE

Main HQ Eighth Army
M 3013 IG

18 Nov 44

Army Sub-Commission ACC

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725 Art Wks Coy LE

Ref this HQ M 5913 A dated 2 Nov 44.

Detailed list of deficiencies and surpluses of Italian personnel is fwded herewith.

S. J. Day
Capt RE
for Brig.
CE.

Encl.

STATE OF STRENGTH BY RANKS

53 ITALIAN INFANTRY TO 723 ART WKS COY R.D.

AS AT 5 NOV 44.

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Detail.	W.S. 41/4/41	Posted Strength	Surplus	Deficient
Captain	1	1		
Subalterno - Interpreter	1	-		1
Subalterns	2	1		1
CSM	1	3	2	
CQMS	1	-		1
Sergeants	3	4	1	
Batmen	8	-		8
Blacksmiths	2	2		
Bricklayers	8	24		
Carpenters	20	16	16	4
Clerks	2	1		1
Concretors	6	1		7
Cooks	8	-		8
Draughtsman	1	1		
Drivers i.c.	7	7		
Electricians (wiremen)	2	3	1	
Engine hands i.c.	2	2		
Linemen (power)	2	-		2
Masons	4	4		
Painters & Decorators	8	1		7
Pioneers	45	36		9
Plumbers & Pipefitters	4	4		
Sanitary Dutyman	1	-		1
Steelbenders	8	-		8
Timbermen (Public Works)	2	-		2
Water Dutyman	1	-		1

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STATE OF STRENGTH BY RANKS

Capitano	1	1
Subalterno - Interpreter	1	-
Subalterni	2	1
Marescialli Capi	1	-
Marescialli Ordinari	1	-

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Subaltern - Interpreter	1								
Subalterns	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CSM	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SQMS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sergeants	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Batmen	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Blacksmiths	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Ericklayers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Carpenters	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Clerks	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Concretors	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Cooks	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Draughtsman	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Drivers i.c.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Electricians (wiremen)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Engine hands i.c.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Linemen (power)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Masons	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Painters & Decorators	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Pioneers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Plumbers & Pipefitters	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Sanitary Dutyman	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Steeltenders	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Timbermen (Public Works)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Water Dutyman	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

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STATE OF STRENGTH BY RANKS

Capitano	1						93	
Subalterno - Interprete	1	1						
Subalterni	2	1						
Marescialli Capi	1							
Marescialli Ordinari	1							
Sergenti Maggiori	-	3						
Sergenti Del Comando	1							
Sergenti	2							
Caporal Maggiore	11							
Caporali	1							
Soldati	131							54

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No. 1 Advance Park Section,
82nd Workshop & Park Coy.
S. A. S. G.
15th November, 1944.

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FORMATION OF ITALIAN UNITS RE.

The attached information relating to the formation of 7 Italian Engineer Coy. from 209 Artieri Coy., is forwarded to you in compliance with instructions contained in Main H.Q. 8th Army Circular M.59154 dated 2nd November, 1944.



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..... Capt.
C.i/c. No.1 Adv. Park Sect.
82nd S. A. S. G.

FORMATION OF ITALIAN ENGINEER UNITS.

Formation of:- 7 Italian Engineer Coy from 209 Sp. 502 Ltg Artieri.

	Total Italian Engineer Company.	Present Strength Engineer 209 Coy.	Surplus	Deficits.
Total				

Total

Captain	1	1	-	-
Subalterns	4	4	-	-
Total Officers				
Company sergeant-major	1	1	-	-
Company quarter-master-sergeant	1	1	-	-
Sergeants	4	6	2	-
Total N.O.'s, S/Sgts & Sgts.				
	6	8	2	-

Corporals:-	15	15	(A)	-
Sapper Class	221	221	(B)	-
Driver Class	192	139	(C)	-
Sappers	9	9		-
Drivers				-

Total, rank and file	217	164		
Total, other ranks	235	172		
Total, all ranks	226	177		
Attached:-				
Cooks	8	8		

Total, Italian engineer company (Italian Army)	236	185	2	
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DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES.

Tradesmen:-	7	2		5
Blacksmiths	13	13		-
Bricklayers	32	16		16
Carpenters and Joiners	3	3		-
Clerks	7	1		6
Concretors	8	5		3
Electricians (Maintenance)	11	11		-
Engine Fitters - I.C. and Pumps	7	2		5
Fitters	6	6		-
Masons	9	3		6
Miners	7	5		2
Painters and decorators	5	5		-
Pioneers for duty est:-	69	74		-
Satmen	1	1		-
General Dutymen	1	1		-
Sanitary dutymen	1	1		-
Water dutymen	1	1		-

Company sergeant-major
 Company quartermaster-sergeant
 Sergeants

1	1		2
4	6		
6	8		

Total N.O.'s, S/Ser & Ssts.

(A) (B)
(A) (C)
(O)

Corporals:-
 Sapper Class
 Driver Class

15	15
18 1	1
192	139
9	9

Sappers
 Drivers

Total, rank and file
 Total, other ranks
 Total, all ranks

217	164
228	172
228	177

Attached:-
 COOKS

8	8	
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Total, Italian engineer company
 (Italian Army)

256	185	3
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DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES.

Tradesmen:-

Blacksmiths	7	2			5
Bricklayers	25	13			16
Carpenters and joiners	32	16			6
Clerks	5	3			5
Concrete workers	7	1			5
Electricians (Maintenance)	8	5			5
Electricians (I.C. and Pumps)	11	11			5
Engine fitters	7	2			9
Fitters	6	6			2
Masons	9	3			
Miners	7	5			
Painters and decorators					
Pioneers for duty anti-					
Batmen	5	5			
General Dutymen	69	74	5	5	
Sanitary dutymen	1	1			
Water dutymen	1	1			1
Medical orderly	1	1			4
Motor-cyclist	4				
Sheet-metal workers	2	2			
Storeman	1	1			3
Vehicle mechanic (driver class)	1	1			
Waterman	3				58
Total Tradesmen	208	155	5	5	

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Non-Tradesmen:-

Drivers I.C. for duty as driv. of Veh.	9				(C)
Total Rank and file	217	164	6	58	

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Cont. from page 1.

- (A) The Total of 74 includes 4 Corporals, at present filling Sapper posts.
- (B) The Total of 6 includes 1 Corporal. " " " " "
- (C) The Total of 9 includes 2 Corporals. " " " " "

The Officer Commanding the Unit is desirous of retaining these N.C.O's. in their present posts if at all possible.

..... *B.S. Lunt* Capt.
 C.i/c. No. 1 Advance Park Sect.
 82nd Workshop & Park Coy.
 B. A. E. C.
SUPERVISING UNIT.

H. C. ... COMPANYIA
 (Company ... Officer)
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FORMATION ITALIAN UNITS RE

FORMATION OF 7 ITALIAN ENGINEER COY. EX 209 ARTILLERY COY.

REF. MAIN H.Q. 32nd ARMY'S M.5013/ of 2nd November, 1944.

T R A N S P O R T.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT	PRESENT HOLDING	DEFICIENCIES.	REMARKS.
BICYCLES 2	NIL	2	
MOTOR CYCLES (SCIO) 1	1P	-	* BENELLI TYPE 500
CAR 2-SEATER 4 x 2 1	NIL	1	
TRUCKS 15CWT. 4 x 20S 3	NIL	3	
LORRIES 3-TON 4X2 G.S 4	NIL	4	
TRAILER 15CWT 1	NIL	1	
2 WHEELED WATER 190 Gal			

Surplus Transport at present on charge to the 209 Artillery Coy is as follows:-

- 1. 1-TON SPA LIGHT TRUCK TYPE 59.
- 1. 4TON FIAT DIESEL TYPE 621.

These Vehicles are now almost completely Unserviceable.

U. S. OFFICE OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
Rome, Italy

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.....Capt.
O.I.C. No. 1 Adv. Park Sect

TYPE 500

CAR 2-SEATER 4 x 2	1	NIL	1
TRUCKS 15CWT. 4 X 20S 3		NIL	3
LORRIES 3-TON 4X2 G.S 4		NIL	4
TRAILER 15CWT	1	NIL	1
2 WHEELED WATER 150 Gal			

Surplus Transport at present on charge to the 209 Artillery Coy is

as follows:-

- 1. 1-Ton SPA LIGHT TRUCK TYPE 39.
- 1. 4TON FIAT DIESEL TYPE 62L.

These Vehicles are now almost Completely Unserviceable.

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(Sgt. Major J. D. Dwyer)

John D. Dwyer

.....Capt.

O.I.C. No. 1 42V. Park Sect
82nd Workshops & Pk. Coy.

S. A. S. C.
SUPERVISING UNIT.

FORMATION OF ITALIAN ENGINEER UNITS. RE.

Formation of 7 Italian Engineer Coy from 209 Cp. 502 Btg Artieri.

EQUIPMENT.

The entire Equipment at present held by the 209 Artieri Coy is as follows.

Shovels.	50.
Picks.	30.

The following Personal Equipment is held.

Battle-Dress, Blouse.	(per man).	1
" " Trouser	"	1
Cardigans, Woolen	"	1
Shirts,	"	2
Under-pants, woolen, prs	"	2
Socks, prs	"	1
Boots, prs	"	1
Caps, Forage,	"	1
Coats, Great,	"	4
Blankets,	"	1
Tent Pieces,	"	1
Valise, (large & small)	"	1
Dixies & Eating utensils	"	1
Water bottles,	"	1

Surpluses and Deficiencies can not at present be shown as the New Equipment Tables have not been received.

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 O.I./O. No. I Advance Park Sect.
 Bnd Workshops & Park Coy.
 S. A. E. C.
SUPERVISING UNIT.

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HQ BOMB AREA ALLIED COMMAND
AF NO: 794 U.S. ARMY

Ref: 48A1
16 Nov 44

Subject: Formation of New Units -
Italian - (Engineers)

33 Military Mission

Ref AFHQ CR/1116/O-1(Br)(Ser 0925) dated 26 Oct 44.

1. Deficiencies and surpluses of personnel against WE Al/4/1 of 52 Italian Increment to 721 AW Coy RE as at 14 Nov 44 were the same as at 7 Nov 44 (see this HQ 48A1 dated 12 Nov 44), no postings having been effected during the week.

2. 30 CRs, composed as follows, joined 50 Italian Increment to 715 AW Coy RE during the week ending 14 Nov 44:

- Electricians 1
- Concretors 3
- Plumbers 1
- Pioneers 3
- Bricklayers 1
- Drivers 3
- Pioneers 18 surplus to Establishment.

Otherwise deficiencies of 50 Italian Increment to 715 AW Coy RE against WE Al/4/1 as at 14 Nov 44 were the same as at 7 Nov 44 (see this HQ 48A1 dated 12 Nov 44), giving a total of

Personnel deficient 57
Personnel surplus 18

Owing to the trades involved surpluses cannot of course be set against deficiencies.

[Signature]
A. L. LONDON
Major
for Brigadier
Commander British Troops

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Concretors	3	
Plumbers	1	
Pioneers	3	
Fricklayers	1	
Drivers	5	
Pioneers	18	surplus to Establishment.

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Personnel deficient	57
Personnel surplus	18

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A.L. Louden
 A.L. LOUDEN
 Major
 for Brigadier
 Commander British Troops

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SUBJECT: Formation of Italian Units.

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17 Nov 44

To: A(O) AAI

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Italian Engr Coys.
Italian Increments to Art Wks Coys.
Italian Wksp Secs.

Reference your 3097/15/A(O) (Ser. 0235) dated 5 Oct 44.

1. Completion of formation of the undermentioned unit is now reported:-

71 Italian Increment to 1 District CW Wks.

2. Personnel deficiencies in respect of the following units are attached.

- 2 Italian Engr Coy.
- 11 Italian Engr Coy.
- 13 Italian Engr Coy.
- 14 Italian Engr Coy.
- 49 Italian Inc to 707 Art Wks Coy.
- 54 Italian Inc to "A" Art Wks Coy.

3. Deficiency returns in respect of the following units are still outstanding and will be forwarded to you as soon as possible:-

- 44 Italian Inc to 664 Art Wks Coy.
- 43 Italian Inc to 707 Art Wks Coy.

B. Tinsley
Major-General
Commander
No. 1 District.

C.H.P.
BET/JAN

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Copies to: Army Sub-Commission ACC - with copies of def. lists.
55 Area } who are requested to expedite returns in
61 Area } respect of para 3 above.

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES AS AT
5 Nov 44

54. Italian Increment

Driver	1
Labourers	16
Carpenters	1
Joiners	2
Jump Engine Fitter	1
Bricklayers	2
Blacksmith	1

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES

14 Italian Engr Coy

Bricklayers	8
Carpenters	18
Concretors	6
Electricians	3
Pump Engine Fitters	11
Solderers	5
Miners	9
Painters and Decorators	6
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	9

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES

11 Italian Engr Coy

Blacksmiths	4
Bricklayers	6
Carpenters and Joiners	11
Concreters	5
Electricians, Maintenance	5
Engine Fitters, IC and Pumps	11
Fitters	7
Masons	4
Miners	7
Painters and Decorators	2
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	9
Sheet Metal Workers	2

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES AS AT
5 Nov 44

49 Italian Increment

Blacksmiths	4
Carpenters and Joiners	21
Bricklayers	4
Steel-benders	4
Concretors	6
Electricians	4
Painters and Decorators	8
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	4
Masons	4
E.H. i/c	2
Pioneers	22

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES

13 Italian Engr Coy

Bricklayers	10
Carpenters	17
Blacksmiths	7
Concretors	5
Electricians	7
Pump Engine Fitters	8
Solderers	7
Masons	3
Miners	9
Painters and Decorators	2
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	10
General dutymen	32
Tinsmiths	4

PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES AS AT
5 Nov 44

2 Italian Engr Coy.

Blacksmiths	3
Bricklayers	7
Carpenters and Joiners	22
Concretors	7
Electricians, Maintenance	6
Engine Fitter, IC & Pumps Fitters	5
Mason	1
Miners	3
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters	9
Painter and Decorators	5
Pioneers (general dutymen)	2

Subject: Reparation of Italian RE Units

18/11
19/11
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British Increment (A Branch),
Rear HQ Fifth Army,
GSP.

Phone Box Lightning 162

HQ Am (AOC)

145A

Copy to: Army Sub Commission AOC 16 Nov 14
Engg (Br)

13 Italian Increment to 701 Art Wks Coy RE.

Reference your letter 3097/15/A(O) (Ser 0235) dated 5 Oct.

Herewith statement showing deficiencies by rank and trades,
for the above unit, as requested.

A. D. Lytle

A. D. LYTLETON, Major,
for Brigadier,
Deputy Chief of Staff (British)
Fifth Army.

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STATEMENT OF SURPLUS & DEFICIENCIES OF FUNDS OF 18 ITALIAN TROOPERS

TO 701 A. G. O. R. R.

18 PLATOON

	Actual Strength	Deficient	Surplus
Captain	1	1	-
Subalterns 1st	1	-	1
Subalterns 2nd	1	-	1
CSM	1	-	1
QMS	1	-	1
Sergeants	1	-	1
Blacksmiths	2	-	2
Clerks	2	-	2
Drummers (Ardi)	1	-	1
Electricians	2	-	2
Warrant Officers	4	-	4
Stenographers	1	-	1
Tinmen	2	-	2
Pioneers RE	3	-	3
Drivers TD	6	-	6
Battmen	1	-	1
Sanitary Platoon	1	-	1
Water Boyman	1	-	1
Cooks	1	-	1
TOTAL	50	17	1

18 PLATOON

Subalterns 2nd	2	-	-
Sergeants	2	-	-
Tricklayers	5	-	-
Carpenters	8	-	-
Cookers	12	-	-
Limousin Power	3	-	-
Masons	2	-	-
Painters	2	-	-
Plumbers	1	-	-
Stenographers	1	-	-
Engine Hands TD	3	-	-
Pioneers	1	-	-
Cooks	1	-	-
Battmen Drivers	1	-	-
TOTAL	56	1	1

GRAND TOTAL ADD

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TOTAL CR

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CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Rpts - Italian Engr Units

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILFOT 92

2543/2/RE

12 Nov 44

Army Sub Commission
HQ ACC

Re
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16 ITALIAN Increment (697 Art Wks Coy (LE))

1. Ref this HQ letter of even number dated 30 Oct.
2. The list of deficiencies should be amended as follows:-

	<u>Old figure</u>	<u>New figure</u>
Carpenters and Joiners	20	19
Concretors	5	8
Electricians (Wiremen)	1	2
Steelbenders	4	1
Pioneers	7	13
Drivers	2	4
Batmen	2	NIL

New Total (as at 5 Nov) 80

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Other trades remain unchanged.

R. H. ...
Major General,
Chief Engineer.

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13/11
HQ ROME ALLIED ARMA COMMAND
APP NO. 794, US ARMY

SECRET

REF: 48A1

12 NOV 44

Subject: Formation of New Units - Italian (Engineers)

55 Military Mission

Ref AMHQ CR/1116/G-1(Br)(ser 0925) dated 26 Oct 44. -125
1. List of personnel of whom 52 Italian Increment to 721 AW Coy RE were deficient against WE AI/4/1 as at 7 Nov 44 is as follows:-

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u>
Subalterns	2	-
Blacksmiths	-	2
Draughtsmen	-	1
Electrician Wiremen	-	3
Painter & Decorators	-	7
Plumbers	-	4
Steelbenders	-	8
Drivers IC	-	6
Carpenters & Joiners	-	9
Concretors	-	5
Masons	-	1
Pioneers	-	1 Cpl
Sanitary Dutymen	-	1
Cooks	-	6
Total Deficiencies:	2	54

2. List of personnel held by 52 Italian Increment surplus to WE is as follows:-

	<u>Rank & File</u>	<u>Sjts</u>
Bricklayer	1	-
Painter & Decorator	-	1
Pioneers	6	3
Drivers	-	1
Totals:	7	5

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3. List of personnel of whom 50 Italian Increment to 715 AW Coy RE were deficient against WE AI/4/1 as at 7 Nov 44 is as follows:-

Officers Other Ranks

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Ref AVHC CW/1116/G-1(Br)(Ser 0925) dated 26 Oct 44.

1. List of personnel of whom 52 Italian increment to 721 AV Coy RE were deficient against VE AI/4/1 as at 7 Nov 44 is as follows:-

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u>
Subalterns	2	
Blacksmiths		2
Draughtsmen		1
Electrician Wiremen		5
Painter & Decorators		7
Plumbers		4
Steelbenders		8
Drivers IC		6
Carpenters & Joiners		9
Concretors		5
Masons		1
Pioneers		1 Cpl
Sanitary Dutyman		1
Cooks		6
Total Deficiencies:	2	54

2. List of personnel held by 52 Italian increment surplus to VE is as follows:-

	<u>Rank & File</u>	<u>Sjts</u>
Bricklayer	1	1
Painter & Decorator	6	3
Pioneers		1
Drivers	7	5
Totals:		76

3. List of personnel of whom 50 Italian increment to 715 AV Coy RE were deficient against VE AI/4/1 as at 7 Nov 44 is as follows:-

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u>
Subalterns	2	1
CQMS		1
Clerks		1
Electricians		1
Painters		7
Steelbenders		3
Timbermen IC		2
Bricklayers		1
Carpenters		3
Concretors		5
Plumbers		4
Engine Bands IC		1

Official Note
30 Personnel
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(cont'd)	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other ranks</u>
Pioneers		3
Hatmen		6
Cooks		4
Drivers		3
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Totals:	2	47

BVM/rw


 A.I. LOUDON
 Major
 for Brigadier
 Commander British Troops Rome

Copy to: G-1(Br)A.1, AFHQ

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Subject:- Rfts for 46 Italian Increment
(697 Art Wks Coy (LE))

Land Forces Sub COMA A.C. (MOLIA)
RE 15/1
// Nov 44

Chief Engineer AAI

Further to my RE 15/1 dated 3 Nov 44.

The rft draft for 46 Italian Increment (697 Art Wks Coy (LE)) will be ready X Reggimento del Genio, SANTA MARIA di CAPUA VETERANE on 25 Nov.

Authority for movement has been requested through 'A' channels.

gsh

R.H.P.
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Maj Gen
Land Forces Sub COMA A.C. (MOLIA)

SUBJECT:- Formation of Italian Units - RE

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Main HQ Eighth Army, GHP,

M 5913 A.

Army Sub-Commission AGO
G(SD) Main Army

10 Nov. 44.

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Reference this HQ letter M 5913 A dated 2 Nov 44.

Herewith copy of 1 Cdn Corps letter S/7E Engrs/1 dated 7 Nov 44, reporting present position on formation of 93 Italian Cdn Pl and disbandment of 962 Ses Mascheratori.

Att. Kanda
Capt.
for Brigadier,
D.A.C. & A.C.
EIGHTH ARMY.

CHW

5/WE Engrs/1

7 Nov 44.

MAJ: ENGRS: ANCI

962 Sec MASCHERATORI
Reorg of Unit

1. Ref your 5913 of 2 Nov 44.
2. 962 Sec MASCHERATORI is deficient 3 other ranks after reorg on WE A 1/52/1.
3. The unit is also short one truck 15 cwt which is being released by 1 Cdn Corps today.

(Sgd) J. T. DRYSDALE, Capt,
for (S. I. M. BURRIS) Lt-Gen
Comd 1 Cdn Corps

TYPE OF SIGNATURE... 22004.....HRS

For info:
962 Sec MASCHERATORI
& Camouflage
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SECURITY

Subject: Engineer Rites

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MSEA)
SD/1.
4 Nov 41.

Ministry of War

Confirming conversation Maj TAGLIORI - Maj PHILLIPS of
to-day.

Will you please prepare a rft draft of thirty Engineer
non-trademen for 50 Italian Increment to 715 Art Wm Coy under comd
Reme Allied Area Command.

Officer Commanding 715 Art Wm Coy will send transport to
X Regg del Genio on Wednesday 8 Nov to collect the personnel.

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Maj Gen.
Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MSEA)

SD/1

Subject:- Rpts for 46 Italian Increment
(697 Art Wks Coy RE)

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Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MIA)
RE 15/1
3 Nov 44

Chief Engineer AAI

Ref your 2543/2/RE dated 30 Oct 44.

- 1. Every endeavour will be made to prepare the rft draft for 46 Italian Increment (697 Art Wks Coy (IE)) as soon as possible.

Difficulty is being found at the moment in obtaining adequate tradesmen for the Engineer Units in the Combat Groups which have priority according to your 2543/2/RE dated 27 Aug 44.

- 2. It is probable that it will take at least three weeks to form this rft draft but you will be informed as soon as a firm date can be given.

R.H.P. f. 70 Gen

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (MIA)

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Bf 12/11

Subject:- Rpts for 46 Italian Increment
(697 Art Wks Coy RE)

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)
SD/4
2 Nov 44

Ministry of War

1. Will you please prepare as soon as possible a reinforcement draft for 46 Italian Increment (697 Art Wks Coy RE) according to the following trades:-

Bricklayers	8
Carpenters & Joiners	20
Concretors	5
Draughtsmen	1
Electricians (Wiremen)	1
Linemen (Power)	2
Mason	1
Painters	6
Plumbers	4
Steelbenders	4
Timbermen (P.W.)	2
Steel-benders, ferro- concrete	4
Engine Hands i.c.	2
Pioneers	7
Transport NCO	1
Drivers	2
Batmen	2
Total	<u>74</u>

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Personnel will be taken from recent Engineer arrivals from SARDINIA and from those at present at X Reggimento del Genio.

2. Please inform me early if this draft can be prepared by 20 Nov in order that the necessary movement can be made.

RMP h
Maj Gen
Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)

SUBJECT: Rfts, ITALIAN
Engr Units

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

Tel: FILFOT 18

2543/2/RE

Army Sub Commission
HQ ACC

30 Oct 44

Copy to: CG FIFTH ARMY (Rmt
Incr for Engr)

AMM	12
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46 ITALIAN Increment (697 Art Wks Coy (LE))

1. The a/n unit is at present seriously under strength.
2. The attached list of trade deficiencies will show that the unit is lacking in practically its entire strength of skilled tradesmen and is therefore useless in any capacity other than employment as para.
3. In view of the present heavy commitments of 697 Art Wks Coy, it is requested that immediate action should be taken to supply the necessary rfts in these trades.

H. H. Hansen
Major General,
Chief Engineer.

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COPY.

657 ARTIZAN WORKS COMPANY R.E.

LIST OF DEFICIENCIES IN PERSONNEL BY TRADES OF EMILIAN ELEMENT

Bricklayers.....	3
Carpenters and Joiners.....	20
Concretors.....	5
Draughtsman.....	1
Electricians (Wireman).....	1
Linemen (Power).....	2
Masons.....	1
Painters.....	8
Plumbers.....	4
Steelbenders.....	4
Timbermen (P.W.).....	2
Steelbenders, Ferro-concrete.....	4
Engine Hands I.C.....	2
Pioneers.....	7
Transport M.C.C.....	1
Drivers.....	2
Batman.....	2

Total 74

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Subject:- Reinforcements Italian Units

Military Mission Italian Army
ROME
17 Oct 44

M 3 District

Ref your 152/7A dated 24 Oct.

The consolidated return of Engineer Units showing surplus and deficiency by trades mentioned in para 2 was NOT attached to your letter.

Will you please forward.

gsh

[Signature]
Maj Gen
Military Mission Italian Army

N° 96 di prot.

AL COMANDO 209° DIVISIONE PAWT.
Sez. 1°

F.N. 189

e per conoscenze al:

- AL ARMY SUB COMMISSION AGG. -
- A. ARTISAN WORKS COY RE C.M.F. -

OGGETTO: Richiesta complementi.

Si prega Codesto Comando voler assegnare a questo reparto, quali complementi militari:

N° 2 Ufficiali subalterni del Genio e n° 30 militari di truppa suddivisi nelle seguenti professioni:

Militari	Disegnatori	N°	1
"	Pittori decoratori	"	2
"	Garzatori	"	8
"	Falegnami Carpenteri"	"	6
"	Tubiisti	"	2
"	Lettonieri	"	2
"	Artisti	"	4
"	Artieri	"	3

Totale complessivo milit. truppa

N° 30

65

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Luigi Mussini
 Capitano
 2. A. Artisan Works Coy RE

Subject: Reinforcements Italian Units

3 District
Tel. Ext. 60
15/7A
24 Oct 64

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M.M.A.	<i>SD.</i>
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Date Recd	<i>2/10/64</i>

ADHQ of (Gr)

Main Data

1. It is requested that Reinforcements may please be authorized for the following Italian units:

- (a) 1st Forestry Coy (Italian) Deficiency 71 ORs
- (b) Italian Engineer units " 611 ORs
- Surplus 231 ORs

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2. Copies of O y/c ARCLARO Forests letter 70/19/26 dated 17 Oct 64 and a consolidated return of the Engineer units showing surplus and deficiency by trades are attached.

William J. ...
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, FBI

RF

Very truly yours,
Special Agent in Charge

21 Oct 1954

Re your letter of 16 Aug and this
office letter of even number dated 16 Aug
54.

Attached copy of 1 - 100 letter
of 12/20/54. In the letter showing info requested
for 11, Forensic Lab (FBI) is forwarded.

J. Edgar Hoover
(S. 1235)
Special Agent in Charge
FBI

Enc:

MMIA	<i>RE</i>
FILE	<i>1</i>
Dist. Sec.	<i>2/10/54</i>

Subject: Training Reports, 1st Forestry Coy (Italian)

202

to: 1st Coy

1/c ARCIANO
Forest
c/o 3-1300
11.
23/12/44.

11 Oct 1944

1. Reference attached copy of memo, No G/4805/11 of 12/9/44 from S.M.C. of the 247 Italian Division, copy to 1st Forestry Coy.
2. The establishment for this Coy. provides for a working strength of 5 squads of total no. 100 men, and HQ Sq of No. 20. The present strength of the unit is No. 87 of which No. 60 are available for work. To replace men of call-up classes prior to 1/11, who are due for demobilisation, absences without leave, to whom also the attached memo refers, the number of men required to complete the Coy to full strength will be 71.
3. The S.M.C. of 247 Italian Division has directed that requests for reinforcements, in respect of Italian units employed by Allied Forces, must be made directly to the Allied Command on which the unit is dependent. As this Coy is under the administration of J. Dist may this request be passed to the relevant authority.

(Sgt) J. HINGSTON Lt. R.E.
@ 1/c ARCIANO Forest.

Field
14 Oct 44.

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AL QUARANTO SECONDO QUARTIERE
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F.C.C.
MICHAEL BASHORE II I
(Camp Umberto Neracciale)

II (MICHAEL BASHORE II I)
(Camp Umberto Neracciale)

P.A. 135, 1. Sept 1944

Subject: Request of men for units employed from S.A.

.....Addresses.....

The S.A. has recently reported that any request of men necessary to replace the units employed by Allied forces, under any title (replacement of men not able to work while ill, or call-up of men under 181), absences without leave, etc. must be made directly to the Allied Command for which the unit is assigned.

Very kindly advise this fact if it is possible to obtain the requested men.

All the Commands charged of the instruction of units for Allied Commands are requested to let the interested units know what is said above.

The Chief of Staff.

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As requests of men for the replacement of those of call-up change with 181 and all the others who are due for mobilization must be made directly to the Allied Command.

The Colonel.

Subject: Rats. Ital. Eng. Units.

To: Mil. Mission, Ital. Army.

RE
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104 C.E.E. WORKS
C.E.E.
Tel: 66023-4-5
Ref: CRE/ADM/40

24 September 44

15 Reparto Lavoratori Artieri Coy.
(Ital. element att. 715 A.W. Coy R.E.)

Reference SS 2 District letter 14CE/757 dated
14 Sept 44 addressed to this HQ., copy to you.

Attached copy letter, showing Italian personnel
deficiencies of the above unit, is forwarded for information
and action.

DFV/LV.

D.A. Cameron 59
(D.A. CAMERON)
Capt. RE & Adj. G.
104 C.E.E. Works

C O P Y

715 Art. Wks. Coy. R.E.
 C.M.F.
 21 Sep 1944
 Ref. 715/11/20

Subject: Reinforcements/Italian Element,
715 Art. Works Coy. R.E.

To:- 104 CRE Works.

Ref. CRE/ADM/40 dated 19 Sept. 1944.

Herewith reinforcements required, by ranks and trades, to bring up to full strength 915 Reparto Lavoratori Artieri Coy, Italian Element this Unit:-

Section Officers	...	...	2
C.Q.M.S.	...	...	1
Section Sgts	...	...	2
Dvrs & Eng. Hands I.C.	...	...	4
Painters	...	...	7
Steel Benders	...	...	4
Carpenters	...	...	5
Bricklayers	...	...	3
Concretors	2
Plumbers	3
Patmen & Sanitary	5
Electricians	2
Pioneers	8

Total 48
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21 Sep 1944.

(Sgd) ? ? Major RE
 O.C. 715 Art. Wks. Coy. R.E.

916° REPARTO LAVORATORI ARTIERI
 ATTACHED 715th ARTIZAN WORKS COY., RE.
 C. M. F.

September, 20th 1944

NOMINAL ROLL, ARMY TRADE AND AGE OF THE ABSENT MEN

Rank	Name	Age	Army Trade	Remarks
<u>DITACHED :</u>				
Gen.	VIGNI Paolo	30	labourer	
"	TOSTI Giusto	28	labourer	
<u>ON LEAVE :</u>				
<u>Official leave</u>				
Gen.	RUSSO Giulio	23	subject	
"	BIZZARRI Ezilio	28	labourer	
<u>Sick leave</u>				
Cap.	ROSSI Quinto	28	labourer	
<u>ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL</u>				
Sarg.	SPROVERA D. mato	27	sergent of section	
Gen.	DALL'OLIO Gino	29	carpenter	
"	SIRIANI Carmine	23	"	
"	LOCANTORE Antonio	29	steel blander	
"	BOLOGNESI Mario	28	electrician	
Cap.	LIGONZO Mario	24	electrician	
Gen.	MARTINO Giovanni	23	labourer	
"	MAIORANO Giuseppe	23	labourer	
<u>ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE</u>				
Gen.	CAGLIA Teodoro	29	labourer	
"	D'ANNUCCI Vito	23	labourer	
"	AMATI Giovanni	20	labourer	

P. COMANDANTE DEL REPARTO
 (Cap. Schiarelli Quercino)

Sten S. N. Well.

715 Art. Wks. Coy. R.E.
C.M.F.
21 Sep 1944
Ref. 715/11/20
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Tel 496590

Subject:- Reinforcements/Italian Element,
715 Art. Works Coy. R.E.

To:- 104 CRE WORKS.

Copyto:- M.M.I.A.

Ref. CRE/ADM/40 dated 19 Sept. 1944.

Herewith reinforcements required, by ranks and trades, to bring up to full strength 916 Reparto Lavoratori Artieri Coy, Italian Element this unit:-

forwarded

Section Officers	...	2
C.Q.M.S.	...	1
Section Sjts.	...	2
Dvrs & Eng. Hands I.C.	...	4
Painters	...	7
Steel Banders	...	4
Carpenters	...	5
Bricklayers	...	5
Concretors	...	2
Plumbers	...	3
Batmen & Sanitary	...	5
Electricians	...	2
Pioneers	...	8

Total 48
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L. Whate
Maj. R.E.
H/O.C. 715 Art. Wks. Coy. R.E.

21 Sep 1944.

Subject: - Rfts - Italian Engr Units

Army Sub-Commission (MIA)
HQ ACC
ROME

M.M.I.A.	RE
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Date Recd	18 9

Chief Engineer
3 District CEF
Tel: Ext. 92
CE 3244

16 Sep 1944

Ref your RE/15/1 of 26 Aug.

1. Herewith details by trades of all personnel deficiencies in Lav Art Coys.
2. Deficiencies in 162 Art Coy have been included for information.
3. 931 and 932 Lav Art Coys are special cases. Both these units were formed from specialist engineer units which had quite a high standard of esprit-de-corps and training, and while rfts would be welcome it is highly desirable that the present personnel be allowed to remain as a nucleus.
3. A separate report on the personnel of 906 Rep Lav Art Coy is being forwarded.

J. Leess
(J. LEES)
Capt RE
for Brigadier,
Chief Engineer.

JL/VH.
Enc:

	906 Rep Lav Art Coy. (717 A W Coy)		909 Rep Lav Art Coy. (657 A W Coy)		910 Rep Lav Art Coy. (9 A W Coy)		913 Rep Lav Art Coy. (721 A W Coy)		919 Rep Lav Art Coy. (1A A W Coy)		901 Lav Art Coy.		931 Lav Art Coy.	
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BLACKSMITHS	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
BRICKLAYERS	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	4
CARP. & J.	-	11	-	2	-	8	-	6	1	-	-	32	-	28
CLERKS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3
CONCRETOBS	-	7	-	2	-	4	-	8	-	2	-	13	-	16
DRAUGHTSMEN (ARCH)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2
DVR MECHS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	-	4
ELEC's (wiremen)	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	7	-	1
ENG. FITTERS (IC & PUMPS)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
FITTERS	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	7	-
LINEMEN (POWER)	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	3	-	4
MASONS	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	8
MOTOR MECHS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
PAINTERS & D.	-	5	-	2	-	6	-	6	1	-	-	11	-	10
PLUMBERS & P	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	8	3	-
STEELBENDERS	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	1	-	4	-	4
SHEET METAL WORKERS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
SURVEYOR(ENG)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TIMBERMEN (P.Wks)	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2
TIN & WHITESMITHS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	2
ENG. HANDS IC	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	4
PIONEERS RE	13	-	-	3	27	-	-	-	14	-	53	-	-	28
DVRS IC	-	5	-	-	5	-	-	3	-	2	-	4	-	9
BATMEN	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COOKS	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GLAZIERS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
NON TRADESMEN	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WATERMEN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAMOUFLAGE EXPERTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LINERS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
BOATMEN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MEDICAL ORDERLY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BUGLER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TURNERS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	-	4	-	2	-	-	-	13
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Subject:- Rfts, Italian Engr Units.

14 G.E. Works.
No. 2 District.
Tel No: 12509,
1408/157

104 G.E. Works.

14 Sep 44.

916 Reparto Lavoratori Artieri Coy
(Italian Element att 715 A W Coy RE)

1. A special case was put up by this Hq to BMIA whilst the above unit was under command requesting the replacement of Italian personnel deficiencies. Viz 1 Officer and 51 ORs.
2. BMIA have since advised the probable availability of Rfts for Italian Engr units.
3. The above unit was not included in the consolidated return of units by trades forwarded by this office. It is suggested therefore that you forward this information to BMIA.

[Signature]
Brigadier,
Chief Engineer.

/SD.

Copy to:- BMIA - Your RE 15/1 d/- 26 Aug &
this Hq 1408/157 of 14 Sep
refer. - 189,172

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Subject: - Rifles - Italian Ammunition Units.

Army Sub Commission (MILA)

Hq. ACC.

ROME.

14 G.L. 7013.
No. 2 District.
Tel No: 12389,
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14 Sep 44.

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1. Ref. your R/L 15/1 dated 26 Aug 44. The following details by trade of personnel deficiencies in LAVORATORI Artillery units under command at the time of receipt of your a/g letter are forwarded.

Trade.	900 Lav Art Coy.	904 Lav Art Coy.	905 Lav Art Coy	918 Reparto Lav Art Coy (It. element att 608 A.M. Coy (a))	ADMIS.
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Sgt Clerk	-	1	-	-	1
Drum major	-	1	-	1	2
Medical orderly	-	1	-	-	1
Blacksmiths.	-	2	2	1	5
Electricians.	5	9	4	-	18
Plumbers	3	7	7	-	17
Drivers.	-	7	-	4	11
Painters	-	8	2	7	17
Joiners	5	3	19	1	28
Carpenters	-	33	12	7	52
Tinsmiths	2	2	2	-	6
Tricklayers	5	4	-	-	9
Concretors	8	10	10	-	28
Stone cutters	-	5	-	-	5
Drv. Mechanics.	-	1	-	-	1
Mechanics.	2	1	-	2	5
Motor Cyclists	-	5	-	-	5
Pioneers	-	38	-	-	38
Decorators	3	-	-	-	3
Steelbenders	1	-	-	-	1
Lasos	-	-	14	9	23
Stone worker	-	-	-	4	4
Waterman	-	-	-	1	1
Cooks	-	-	-	5	5
Labourer	-	-	-	1	1
Signwriters	-	-	2	-	2
Totals	36	158	74	43	311

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2. It should be noted that these figures include personnel required to replace the 1513 class at present with unit awaiting replacement pending demobilisation.

3. It will also be noted that rifes are demanded for 900 LAVORATORI units assigned to 1st Div, 1st District.

Trade.	900 Lav Art Coy.	904 Lav Art Coy.	505 Lav Art Coy	513 Reporto Lav Art Coy (It. element att 030 Art. Coy. (4))	TOTALS.
Sgt Clerk	1	1	-	-	1
Drughtman.	1	1	-	1	2
Medical orderly	1	1	-	-	1
Electricians.	5	2	2	-	10
Flumbers	3	3	4	-	17
Drivers.	-	7	7	4	18
Painters	-	8	-	7	15
Joiners	5	3	12	1	17
Carpenters	2	35	2	7	28
Tinsmiths	5	2	2	-	52
Bricklayers	5	4	-	-	9
Concretors	8	10	10	-	28
Stone cutters	-	5	-	-	5
Dr. Mechanics.	-	1	-	-	1
Mechanics.	2	1	-	2	5
Motor Cyclists	-	5	-	-	5
Pioneers	-	28	-	-	28
Decorators	5	-	-	-	5
Steelbinders	1	-	-	-	1
Ironis	-	-	14	9	23
Stone worker	-	-	-	4	4
Waterman	-	-	-	1	1
Cooks	-	-	-	5	5
Labourer	-	-	-	1	1
Signwriters	-	-	2	-	2
Totals	36	158	74	43	311

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2. It should be noted that these figures include personnel required to replace the 1915 class at present with unit awaiting replacement pending demobilisation.

3. It will also be noted that lifts are demanded for 900 Lavatori Artieri Coy, since passed to Op Cnd Asl, sdn 1 District.

W. P. Lawrence
 Chief Engineer.

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JUL 172

Subject:- RFAs - Italian Engineer Units

Army Sub Commission (MCLA)
HQ ACC
RCEB
IS 15/1
26 AUG 44

CE No 1 District
CE No 2 District
CE No 3 District

1. It is anticipated that rfAs will shortly be available for Lavoratori Artieri Units.
2. Will you please forward to this HQ as soon as possible details by trades of all personnel deficiencies in Lavoratori Artieri Units under your command.

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R. F.
Maj Gen
Army Sub Commission

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