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A/245/200 "Welfare" Mobile Canteens

Apr. - Oct. 1945

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SUBJECT: Mobile Canteens for Italian Armed Forces

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/1/35-11
9 October 1945

TO : Minister for War

1. Request that the three vans, type K-60, WD #6051198, #497291, and #6051008, which are on loan to the Italian Military from 2691 MMIA Co. for mobile canteens, be returned to 2691 MMIA Co. by 30 October 1945.
2. The trucks will be received and receipted for by Captain Fordyce, Senior MMIA Liaison Officer at Leghorn, on or before 30 Oct. 45.
3. Request you acknowledge receipt of this letter.

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

TTR/ri

Copy to: 'A' Branch
MMIA LO PBS

- As soon as these vehicles are received, you will turn them in to Penbase Ord. and forward Tally to this Office.

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245. (36)
SUBJECT : C.A.F. Mobile Canteens

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

WEL/J.

7 July '45.

To : MMIA L.O.
c/o Rear HQ. 8 Army.

Information has been received that the mobile canteen recently sent by the Ministry of War to HQ 228 Div is not being utilized to its fullest extent.

In view of the fact that 8 Army has other Mobile Canteens in service, it is thought that some difficulty may be occurring in rationing this vehicle, and in these circumstances, it is suggested that with the approval of HQ 8 Army it should be sent to another formation.

Will you please state whether this proposed re-allocation will be acceptable?

Internal: "A" Branch

by
S/Colt.,
Wellfare,
M.M.I.A.

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Subject : Mobile Canteens

(35)
Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
WEL/J.
4 July '45.

To : MMIA L.O.
3 District.

Reference your 3DLO/36 of 30 June '45.

In view of the strictly limited number of vehicles available for use as Mobile Canteens, the early allocation of a second one to HQ 227 Div is not possible.

However, if and when more vehicles come into service, the application will be reconsidered.

Good PM 5/7
WEL
S/Capt.,
Welfare,
M.M.I.A.

Internal:- "A".

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MEMIA

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54 AREA.

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Restricted

A 255

FOR MEMIA L O (.) REFER YOUR SE/200 OF 01 JULY (.)

NOTICE CANTON BTD ROME 4 JULY (.) COPY OUR A 245

DATED 20 JUNE BEING SENT THROUGH POST

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Important

ST Archer May

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LRKE V MAED MMNF 01251 QVRI

FROM MMIA 54 AREA 011400

TO MMIA ROME

INFO MMIA LO SDIS THREE 9 TERR HQ

227 DIV EASTERN DETACHMENT

QQX BT

SD /200 . SUBJECT IS MOBILE ~~CANTEENS~~ CANTEENS . UNDERSTAND MOBILE CANTEEN
ALLOCATED THIS AREA UNDER YOU A-245 DATED 20 JUNE 45 . THIS
LETTER NO T RPT NOT ADDRESSED OR RECEIVED THIS OFFICE
REQUEST COPY AND ETA CANTEEN

BT

QNET BR 251 CSC B1 K

REC'D NR 01251 AT 01/1616 E AAA E2 0

A245N113/01
Land Force

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MMIA
46/01
SIGNALS

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IMPORTANT 5

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M.M.I.
28/23 (30)
SIGNALS

N143/23 (32)

INLET V UNIT 28422 IMPORTANT
FAS CHIA LG 28422 2813003

(28)

28436 . REF YOUR 2830 OF 10 AND FURTHER BY 28422 OF
17 . 2 EVRG FROM 287 DIV REPORT WATERS MORNING 24

BT 231300Z
SENT 1024 / / / / 1923 JL DEBBE

2416

Recd as Sec 5645

(31)

SUBJECT: Italian Army Welfare
-- Mobile Canteens

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A.245.

20 June '45.

To : HQ Eighth Army
HQ 1 District
HQ 3 District

(30)

Copies to: 8 Army for MMIA L.O.
1 Dist. " " "
3 Dist. " " " (Your 3DLO/36 of 17 June refers)
Ministry of War.

1. A further three mobile canteens have been completed in Rome for service with Italian troops: one (1) will be sent to HQ 228 Div. one (1) to HQ 209 Div. and one (1) to 227 Div for service in the Bari area. They are to be attached to these formations for administrative purposes, but are intended to serve all categories of Italian troops in the areas in which they will be based.

2. In addition to the drivers, each canteen has a staff of three lady volunteers, who are members of the Corpo Assistenza Femminile (C.A.F.). They will wear the uniform of the Corpo, which is khaki, with a green, white and red flash on the arm.

3. These canteens are independant of the authorized Static canteens, but the supplies for them will also form a part of the allocation made for each month by this HQ from the total Canteen Ration Allocation. Routing will be the responsibility of the Welfare Officers of the Adm.Divs., under the supervision of the appropriate Allied HQs.

Copies to: 8 Army for MIA L.O.

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3 Dist. " " " " (Your 3DLO/36 of 17 June refers)

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Internal:- "Q".
Welfare.

[Signature]

Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Subject:- Canteens - Italian Armed Forces.

3DLO/36

Baseball 2

17 Jun 45

Land Forces Sub Comm, AC,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.

Copy: 'Q'
I.L.O.

A.
18/6

No 28

Ref your sig A 220 dated 16 June.

1. The required dvrs are being obtained by HQ 227 Div and you will be infm of their ETA at WAR MINISTRY.
2. Please state if the mob canteen mentioned is excl of the two canteens allotted to 3 District tps in your letter Q/27/3 dated 9 Apr. If so, is the canteen to be provisioned from the same monthly allocation of rations to 3 Dist used at present to supply the two existing static canteens at NAPLES and BARI ?

See FO (31) v 32

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[Signature]

Major,
MMIA LO,
3 District.

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SIGNAL

FROM MMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
16 B.

TO REAR EIGHT ARMY

REF. NO. A 223

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LG (.)

DEPARTURE OF MOBILE CANTEENS EX ROME DELAYED ONE WEEK (.)
PARTY FOR COLLECTION WILL BE RETAINED UNTIL VEHICLES ARE
READY

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION [Signature]

Copy to MINISTRY OF WAR FOR WELFARE.
WELFARE MMIA.

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SIGNAL

245. 28

FROM : M.I.A.

DATE / YEAR OF ORIGIN.
B

TO : DISTANCE.

F2710

REF. NO. A.220

RESTRICTED

F19

FOR MIA LO (.) INTERVIEW YOUR SIGNAL BK 423 (.) OUR SIGNAL A 173
DATED 31 MAY HEADS FOR MIA LO (.) ONE MOBILE CANTEN ALLOCATED
DISTANCE FOR ITALIAN TROOPS (.) ARRANGE 227 DIV SEND TWO DRIVERS
REPORT MINISTRY OF WAR HOME BY 4 JUNE.

See Do 30+32

PRECEDENCE

URGENT

Attn: Maj

AUTHORIZATION

5641

INTERNAL : WELFARE.

SIGMET

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LRKB V. HEDY NR15195 / IMPORTANT

FROM - MMIALG DISTURB 151150Z

TO - MMIA

(26)

A 15/6

Land forces N80/15
MMIA

(19)

(27)

EX423 . REF YOUR A214 OF 14 . YOUR A ~~173~~ OF 31 MAY NOT REPEAT

RECD. PLEASE REPEAT

BT 1220

CCN RECD YOUR A173 IMI A173

SENT EJ E1 K

RECD. JED 1311 KKKKK

See F25

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done
16/6

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SIGNALS

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FROM : H.M.I.A.
TO : DISTRESS.

DATE: 14

TIME OF ORIGIN.
D.

REF. NO. A.214.

RESTRICTED

FOR NMIA LO (.) RST SIGNAL A.173 OF 31 MAY (.) DRIVERS FOR
CANTEN AWAITED (.) PLEASE ARRANGE REPORT IMMEDIATELY (.)

PRECEDENCE

AUTHENTICATION

INT : WELPARN.

3633

Translation

(25)

From: H.Q. 210TH Infantry Division, M.T. Office
To: DEAST - MMIA
SMRE - Welfare Office

Ref. No. 909

Date: May 24, 1945

Subject: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - ton canteen trucks.

The 5TH Army Command, by means of Equipment Augmentation No. 52 dated March 1st, allotted to this Division three 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - ton 3-axle trucks to be equipped as canteens.

Of those sent to Rome to be equipped, only two returned.

The third, bearing plate No. 497291 U.S.A. motor No. 270529408, chassis No. illegible, has not come back and is reported to have been assigned to an Italian Division stationed in Naples.

Since said truck is duly assigned to the 210TH M.T. unit of this Division - Peschiera del Garda - which signed a proper receipt and is responsible for it towards the Parent Unit 2695 T.S.R. of the 5TH Army who has it on charge, we request you, if not to return it, at least to take it off charge ~~the~~ at the Parent Unit, through channels.

The (M.T.) Halting Point, Rome is requested to expedite the matter as much as possible.

Signed: Major Biagio Nini
for Chief of Staff

ST/1402

Well
Q

A2
JMB/gm

COMANDO 210^a DIVISIONE FANTERIA
Ufficio Automobilistico

N° 909/Aut. di prot.

R.M. 179, li 24 maggio 1945. -

OGGETTO: Truck 2½ tonn. spacci mobili (canteen). -

AL DEAST - M M I A -

ALLO S. M. E. - Ufficio Benessere -

R O M A
R O M A

e, per conoscenza:

ALL'UFFICIO ITALIANO DI COLLEGIO CON LA 5^a ARMATA
AL COMANDO POSTO SOSTA ED AVVIAMENTO

R O M A

Il Comando 5^a Armata con l'Equipment Augmentation n° 52 in data 1° marzo ha assegnato a questa Divisione n° 3 trucks 2½ tonn. - 3 Assi - da attrezzare a spaccio. -

Inviati a Roma per l'attrezzatura, ne sono rientrati soltanto due. -

Il terzo targato 497291 U.S.A. - n° motore 270529408 e n° telaio illeggibile non è rientrato; risulterebbe sia stato assegnato ad una Divisione Italiana con sede a Napoli. -

Poichè detto autocarro è in regolare assegnazione al 210^a Autoparto di questa Divisione - Pescinera del Garda - che ne ha firmato il regolare buono di ricevuta e ne risponde verso la Parent Unit 2695 T.S.R. della 5^a Armata che lo ha in carico, si prega provvedere se non alla restituzione - almeno allo scarico con regolare procedimento con la suddetta Parent Unit. -

Il Posto Sosta - Roma - è pregato di accelerare al possibile la pratica. -



IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Magg. Diego NINI) 1637

1800

5/6

17.00

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE

(Magg. Biagio Fini) 664

TRA	1800	17.00
IN	5/6	6/6
OUT		

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File

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TYPE DATA

DATE TYPE OF ORIGIN.
OF 10 20 B.

TO DESTROY

REF ID: A 105
FOR WFLA 1.0 (.)

RESTRICTED.

REMARKS OF JEREMY CARTER ON HOME RELATED ONE WEEK (.)

PARTY FOR COLLECTION WILL BE RECALLED UNDER VIKING AND
READY

DISCUSSION

APPROPRIATION

Copy to Ministry of War for Welfare.
Welfare WFLA.

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A 245
SIGNAL

ROM : M.M.I.A.

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
6 B

O / DISTONE FOR MMIA IO

INFO : MINISTRY OF WAR FOR WELFARE

REF. NO. A.135.

RESTRICTED

DEPARTURE OF MOBILE CANTEENS EX ROME DELAYED ONE WEEK (.)
PARTY FOR COLLECTION WILL BE RETAINED UNTIL VEHICLE IS READY

PRECEDENCE _____

AUTHENTICATION _____

INTERNAL: WELFARE.

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COPY OF INCOMING SIGNAL.

FROM 5 ARMY.
TO MMIA
INFO CG MTOUSA

04III2B

REF/ 9506

RESTRICTED

REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL A 167 OF 29 MAY AND OUR SIGNAL 4298
OF 21 MAY (.) THREE VANS, TYPE K/60, WERE RELEASED BY
PENBASE AND SHIPPED TO 5 ARMY STOCKS AUTHORITY AFHQ SHIPPING
ORDER NUMBER 6/I/6774 IN FEBRUARY 1945 (.) VEHICLES WERE
ISSUED TO A U.S. UNIT FOR LOAN TO AND USE OF ITALIAN TROOPS
AND THEN DELIVERED TO YOU FOR OUTFITTING AS MOBILE CANTEENS (.)
REQUEST ALL THREE 5 ARMY VEHICLES BE RETURNED TO CONTROL OF
5 ARMY AND THE RESPONSIBLE U.S. UNIT

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LRKE V LOAO NR1
QVR 1
FROM FIVE AM// -ARMY 041112B
TO MMIA
INFO CG MTOUSA
GR 130
BT
REFNR 9506

RESTRICTED PD REFERENC YOUR SIGNAL ABLE ONE SIX SEVEN OF TWO NINE MAY
AND OUR SIGNAL FOUR TWO NINE EIGHT OF TWO ONE MAY PD PAREN FIVE ARMY
~~ACTION TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE CMA INFO TO CHARLIE GEORGE MTOUSA~~
PAREN THREE VANS CMA TYPE KING DASH SIX ZERO CMA WERE RELEASED BY
PENBASE AND SHIPPED TO FIVE ARMY STOCKS AUTHOU// AUTHORITY ABLE FOX
~~NOV~~ ~~XXKE~~ NOW QUEEN SHIPPING ORDER NUMBER SIX DASH ONE DASH SIX SEVEN
SEVEN FOUR IN FEVRUARY ONE NINE FOUR FIVE . VEHILCES WERE ISSUED TO A
N UNCLE SUGAR UNIT FOR LOAN TO AND USE OF ITALIAN TROOPS AND THEN DEL//
DELIVERED TO YOU FOR OUTFITTING AS MOBLIE CANTEENS PD REQUEST ALL THREE
FIVE ARMY VEHIL//VEHICLES BE RETURNED TO CONTROL OF FIVE ARMY AND
THE RESPONSIBLE UNIC//UNCLE SUGAR UNIT
BT

SENT -HQ- K
RECD 041237B JFF

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24/04

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SUBJECT : Italian Army Welfare -
- Mobile Canteens

To : C.G. 5 Army.
C.G. Penbase.

Copies to : 5 Army for MMIA LO.
Pensouth " " "
Ministry of War.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROMA.

A245.

Jun'45.

1. Three mobile canteens have now been completed in Rome and despatched for Service with Italian troops: two (2) have been ordered to report to HQ 210 Div. and one (1) to HQ 212 Command. They are to be attached to these HQs for administrative purposes, and are intended to serve all categories of Italian troops in the areas in which they will be based.
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S. P. Archw Cpt.
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copies to : 5 Army for MIA IO.
Pensouth " " "
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Internal:- "Q"
Welfare.

S. P. Archw Cpt.
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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SIGNAL

245 (21)

FROM : NMIA

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
29 1410 B

TO : CG 5 ARMY

INFO : 5 ARMY FOR NMIA LO

RESTRICTED

A 167

16

REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL NR4298 OF 22 MAY (.) REALLOCATION OF MOBILE
CANTENS NECESSARY DUE TO LIMITED RESOURCES TO MEET CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES (.)
ALLOCATION BASED ON DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPS

See (23)

PRECEDENCE

Important

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AUTHENTICATED

PP Michalek

INTERNAL : ADAMS

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S I G N A L.

FROM : M.M.I.A.

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN

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TO : REAR 8 ARMY/

REF.NO. A 174.

RESTRICTED

FOR MMIA LO (.) REFERENCE THIS HQ A245 OF 27 APRIL (.)
REALLOCATION OF MOBILE CANTEENS NECESSARY (.) ONE NOW ALLOTTED
6 ARMY FOR ITALIAN TROOPS (.) ARRANGE 228 DIV SEND TWO DRIVERS
REPORT MINISTRY OF WAR ROME SOONEST.

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT

AUTHENTICATION

INTERNAL : WELFARE.

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S I G N A L

FROM : M.E.I.A.

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN.

TO : DISTHREE.

31

B

REF. NO. A 173

RESTRICTED.

FOR MMIA LO (.) ONE MOBILE CANTEN ALLOCATED DISTHREE FOR
ITALIAN TROOPS (.) ARRANGE 227 DIV SEND TWO DRIVERS REPORT
MINISTRY OF WAR ROME BY 4 JUNE.

See FO (27) + 28

PRECEDENCE IMPORTANT.

AUTHENTICATION

SP7 McArthur Capt.

INTERNAL : WELFARE.

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LRKB V MJVL NR 4
FROM MJVL 231502B
TO LRKB
INFO MJAQ
GR 51 BT

A245
24/5



L. FORCES 2/6
N 89/23 (17)

RESTRICTED PD MOBILE CANTEEN FOR TWO ONE TWO COMMAND DESIRED AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE PD PAREN PENSOUTH PENSOUTH 5113 PAREN PD CITE BOLNO PD
PENSOUTH TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE CMA ROME FOR ACTION AND FOR INFORMAT
ION TO PENBASE PAREN PD YOUR A ONE FOUR SEVEN OF ONE SIX MAY
BT 231502B

JCE AR K
R NR 4 1711 EAD B

PA 24/5 (Fo.13.)

Col. A.	
A. 10	
A. 11	
A. 12	

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LROF V LUAO NR 9
I LRKB

FROM FIVE ARMY 221113B
TO MMIA
GR 108 BT

REF NR 4298

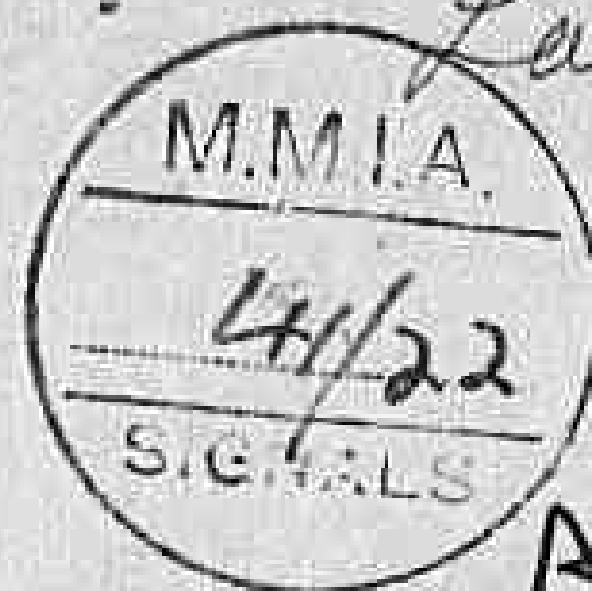
RESTRICTED PD REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL ABLE ONE FOUR SIX OF ONE
SIX MAY SUBJECT ITALIAN MOBILE CANTEENS ~~PAKEN FIVE ARMY ACTION~~
~~TO MIKE MIKE ITEM ABLE PAKEN~~ THREE TRUCKS WERE SENT YOU FOR
OUTFITTING AS MOBILE CANTEENS DURING MARCH PD YOU ACKNOWLEDGED
RECEIPT OF THE THREE TRUCKS AND STATED ONE WOULD BE READY MAY FIRST
AND TWO BETWEEN FIRST AND EIGHTEENTH OF MAY REFERENCE TELEPHONE
CONVERSATION ON ONE SIX APRIL ONE NINE FOUR FIVE ZAYAZ DASH HORAS
PD NOW YOU REFER TO TWO TRUCKS PD QUERY WHAT BECAME OF THE THIRD
PD YOUR REQUEST TO SEND TWO MOBILE CANTEEN TRUCKS FORWARD ~~ST~~ IS
APPROVED

BT

WD B K

RD NR9

1825B MYERS. KK



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MESSAGE FORM

FROM : M.M.I.A.

DATE, TIME OF ORIGIN.
21

TO : C.G. 5 ARMY.

REF. No A 159

RESTRICTED.

REFERENCE OUR CABLE NO. A146 DATED 16 MAY (.) REQUEST THAT YOU
SIGNAL APPROVAL ~~IMMEDIATELY~~ EARLIEST

PRECEDENCE Supersede

AUTHENTICATION Approved by

Copy William M. A.

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MISSION FORM

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FROM : M.B.I.A.

DATE. TIME OF ORIGIN.
21 B

TO : HQ. PENTAGON.

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REF. NO. 158 A.

RESTRICTED.

REFERENCE OUR CABLE No A 147 DATED 16 MAY (.) REQUEST THAT YOU
SIGNAL APPROVAL IMMEDIATELY.

PROCEDURE

AUTHENTICATION

Copy Welford M.B.I.A.

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
16 B

FROM : NMIA

TO : HQ PENMASE

INFO : PENSOUTH (FOR NMIA LO)

REF No: A147

RESTRICTED

1 MOBILE CATERING ALLOTTED 212 COMMAND TO SERVE ITALIAN TROOPS
NAPLES AREA (.) PROPOSED DEPARTURE FROM ROME 18 MAY (.)
WILL REPORT HQ 212 COMMAND (.) REQUEST YOU SIGNAL APPROVAL

Precedence _____

Authenticated _____

Internal Dist: WELFARE

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MESSAGE FORM

DATE TIME OF ORIGIN
16 1630 B

A245

(12)

FROM : MMIA

TO : CG 5 ARMY

INFO : 5 ARMY (FOR MMIA LO)

REF No: A146

RESTRICTED

2 MOBILE CANTEENS ALLOTTED 210 DIV TO SERVE ITALIAN TROOPS
5 ARMY AREA (.) PROPOSED DEPARTURE FROM ROME 18 MAY (.)
WILL REPORT 210 DIV HQ (.) REQUEST YOU SIGNAL APPROVAL

Precedences

Authenticated

Internal Dist: WELFARE

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Subject: Drivers for Mobile Canteens.

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E

A245

15 May 45.

To : MMIA LO BR INCR 5 ARMY.

Reference your Signal 5959 of 14 May and
further to this HQ Signal 99A of 29 April.

1. No further action required as all drivers
have now reported.

S.P. Archer Capt

S.P. ARCHER, Captain.
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

ECC.

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IMMEDIATE RAAC MESSAGE FORM

RESTRICTED

CALL	CIRCUIT No. NR	PRIORITY	TRANSMISSION INSTRUCTIONS
OP-PRIORITY			M.M.I.A.
SPACES WITHIN RED LINES FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY			DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN 142212G
FROM (A)	MILALO BRITISH INCREMENT FIFTH ARMY		SIGNALS
TO (FOR ACTION)	M.M.I.A. 245		MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS GR
TO (FOR INFORMATION)			
(REF. No.)	5959	(SECURITY CLASSIFICATION)	

5 LO/47. REFERENCE YOUR 99A OF 29 APRIL. NO TRACE OF A
245 OF 27 APRIL IN THIS OFFICE.

OP-PRIORITY

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LOCAL DISTRIBUTION	PRECEDENCE: OP	THI OR TOR 142400G	5621
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Mobile Commands.

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1. I have spoken to D.D.A.W.S. AFHQ + explained
your views on allotment.

2. He stated that the allotment was an Italian
Army affair + that, under present circumstances
the best allotment was that in accordance
with the layout of Italian troops.

3. As a suggested layout :-

1 District - Perugia area	-	1
2 District - Milan area	-	1
3 District - Bari area	-	1
212 Commando - Naples area	-	1
210 Div. - Florence area	-	2
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Army officer & that, under present circumstances
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3 District - Bari area	-	1
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210 Div. - Florence area	-	2
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4. These vehicles (v.s.) with the teams
 of army volunteers & drivers are due to be
 ready for the road on Tuesday evening 15 May
 for 14 May

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SIGNAL MESSAGE

FROM: MMIA

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TO (FOR ACTION)/ HQ FIFTH ARMY

REF NO: A 129

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REFER SIGNAL 99A OF 29 APR (.) DRIVERS FOR MOBILE CANTRENS
STILL AWAITED (.) PLEASE EXPEDITE

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FROM MMIA LO REAR EIGHTARMY 051430E

TO MMIA ROME

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INTEROFFICE REFERENCE SHEET

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

Subject: Mobile Canteens

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IND. NO.	FROM	TO	DATE	
	Sr MMIA LO	MMIA	1 May 1945	1. Reference your signal 99A of 29 April , subject: Mobile Canteens. 2. Attached is copy of buck slip to CG 210 Division indicating action taken as requested by you. <i>R.C. Van Kirk</i> R.C. VAN KIRK Major, Infantry Sr. (MMIA) L.O., 5th Army <i>A245</i>

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SUBJECT: Drivers for Mobile Canteens

Land Forces Sub Comm A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
A245
27 APR 45.

To: Ministry of War

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1. With reference to this HQ letter A/11/2 of 23 Feb. information has been received that the drivers for Mobile Canteens referred to therein are not yet available. It is now two months since the above quoted letter was sent, and it is not understood why these orders have not been carried out.
2. In view of the fact that the three vehicles intended for service with 8 Army will be ready in Rome at the end of this month, HQ 228 Div will be instructed to send six (6) drivers to report to the Ministry of War forthwith. They must be ready for duty by the 30th instant.
3. The remaining three vehicles for service with 5 Army will be completed shortly. HQ.210 Div., therefore, will be instructed to despatch immediately six (6) competent and responsible drivers to report to the Ministry of War, by not later than 8 May.

/s/ S.P. Archer, Capt
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

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SIGNAL.

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FROM : MMIA

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TO : REAR H.Q. 5 ARMY
REAR H.Q. 8 ARMY

RESTRICTED

REF: A109(.) FOR MMIA LO (.)

REFERENCE OUR LETTER A245 OF 27 APRIL (.) AND SIGNAL 99A OF 29 APRIL (.)
REQUEST INFORMATION RE PROVISION OF 6 DRIVERS ITALIAN MOBILE CANTEENS
AND ETA ROME

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INFORMATION:

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Subject : Drivers for Mobile Canteens.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(H.M.I.A.)
R O M E
A 245

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29 April 45.

Ministry of War

Ref : This HQ letter A 245, dated 27th of April 45.

I. MHA HQs at Rear HQs, Fifth and Eighth Armies will take action to provide drivers for Mobile Canteens. You will please therefore regard the above quoted letter as "for information only."

S.P. Archibald

S.P. ARCHIBALD, Capt.
for Major General,
H.M.I.A.

Copy to : Ufficio Benessere del Soldato
Welfare MHA

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MESSAGE FORM.

FROM : M.M.I.A.

DATE. TIME OF ORIGIN.
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TO : REAR HQ. 5 ARMY.
REAR HQ. 8 ARMY.

REF. NO. 99.A.

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FOR M.M.I.A. L.OID (.) REFER M.M.I.A. LETTER A245 OF
27 APRIL (.) PLEASE TREAT AS ACTION COPY TO YOU(.)

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AUTHENTICATION Signature

See Fo 8
Also See Fo 10

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SUBJECT: Drivers for Mobile Canteens.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.
A245.

27 Apr '45.

To : Ministry of War

Copies to: Ufficio Benessere del Soldato.
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3. The remaining three vehicles for service with 5 Army will be completed shortly. Hq. 210 Div., therefore, will be instructed to despatch immediately six (6) competent and responsible drivers to report to the Ministry of War, by not later than 8 May.

*See Fo 3.
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Fo 16.*
See Folio 547
S.P. ARCHER Capt.
for Major General
M. M. I. A.

Internal:- Welfare MMIA.

Subject: Italian Women Voluntary Canteen Service.

Land Forces Sub Commission, A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
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12 April 45

AFHQ (for G-1 Br)

Progress Report

Ref your CR/99014, G-1 Br of 2 April/45.

1. VEHICLES

3 British and 3 U.S. vehicles are at present in workshops being converted and fitted up as Mobile Canteens.

2. UNIFORMS

A release order for the material for making uniforms for the Volunteer Workers is held at this HQ and will be issued as soon as the volunteers have been finally selected and approved (see para 4 below).

3. RATIONS

Authority has been given by AFHQ for rations for canteens and Mobile Canteens will get an allotment.

4. PERSONNEL

A list of lady volunteers has to-day been received from the Ministry of War, who experienced some difficulty in adjusting the numbers of representatives of the various political parties. These ladies have not been finally screened but it is anticipated that this will be completed within a short time.

SPA/wk

W. P. Kelly
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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