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Medical Arrangements

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Capt Hector

(51)

Subject : Toilet Paper.

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

A 290

4 Oct. '45.

To : Camp Commandant
H.Q. M.M.I.A.

May we please be assured of a daily supply of A.F. _____ in
ALL TOILETS (including female) on this floor.

The continuous use of "Stars and Stripes" and "Union Jack"
rather tends to "clog" pipes etc. and the use of high quality stationery
for this purpose, in view of the World shortage, is highly uneconomical.

M. J. Hector
Capt
S.C.A.
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

/er Ref above, as you should be aware, ¹⁶¹⁸ the
Commandant responsible for this building &
the supply of A.F. O is Office Space Comdt.
Tel No 252. who supplies 1 roll of
paper per lavatory per month perhaps.
I have bellyached quite alot. Would you
send your remarks to him.
Camp. *of 18/10*

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Translation

From : Ministry of War.

Ref. : 220800/II

To : Circular

Dtd. : 26th Sep. '45.

Signal.

Amending signal No. 219720 dated 10th Sep. '45. we order: that military personnel under your command can be granted leave outside Taranto only after a period of six days quarantine followed by a medical inspection. It is confirmed that no military will be granted leave to Taranto until further orders except on proved compassionate grounds. Military personnel granted leave on these grounds will have to undergo said period of six days quarantine before leaving Taranto to rejoin their unit.

(Sgd) Lombardi

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Translation.

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From:- Ministry of War. Ref:- 3466.

To:- MMIA

Date:- 13. July 1945.

Subject:- Sanitary Conditions.

We are awaiting the urgent information required in our 2939/30/1 of the 23. VI. 45.

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Carte NFA
for note 11/7
on page 41
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO

UFFICIO SEGRETERIA E PERSONALE

P.M. 3300 " 13 luglio 1945 ⁸²

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRI-
TORIALE DI BOLOGNA

P.M. 225

N° 3466 / SP.

di prot.

e.p.o.:

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

ROMA

Allegati

OGGETTO: disposizioni sanitarie. =

Si è in attesa delle urgenti notizie
richieste con attergato n. 2939/Sp/1 in da-
ta 23 giugno 1945. =

TRANSLATION

IN

15.30
data 16/7

OUT

15.30
17/7

IL GENERALE ADDETTO
(G. Luzzi)

G. Luzzi

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Further to today's conversation between Lt-Col. Helman and General Fiddle.

The following extract from a report has been received from C.C. 764 C.E. Coy.

"After a personal visit by OC unit and sending two letters and two signals a reply has been received from C.C. 764 C.E. Coy. S.M.I.A.C.I.O.T. of the Ospedale Principele Miracoli, to which all personnel of this unit are sent initially for hospitalisation - copy of reply is attached at Appendixes 'A' and 'B' - it will be seen that personnel have been given convalescent leave at home for the following reasons:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| I (A) Syphilis | (patient lives at San Remo) |
| II (B) Chronic Appendicitis | (no operation) |
| III (C) Hernia | |
| IV (D) Arthritis in knee | (after no attempt at treatment) |
| V (E) Chronic Malaria | (no operation) |
| VI (F) Burns on leg | |

It is for consideration by competent medical authorities;

- (1) whether convalescent leave at home has favourable curative effect, or
 (11) whether the difficult means of travelling and hard rations, poor conditions in average soldiers' huts might not aggravate the various illnesses.

In the following cases the unit Italian M.O. sent men to hospital with one diagnosis but they were sent on sick leave with a different one.

Reason for Admission to Hospital

- D. Ipertensione arteriosa
 E. Neurite nervosa
 L. Malaria cronica

Reason for Sick Leave

- Colite e dep. org.
 App. cronica e dep. org.
 Colite mucosa e dep. org.

On 11 July 45 Unit Commander visited C.C. Ospedale Miracoli asking that all personnel to be sent on convalescent leave should be returned to the camp for examination before proceeding on leave. This was agreed to by C.C.

Ospedale dei Miracoli, and in spite of this agreement (I), (L), (M), (N) and (O) were sent on leave the very next day.

A British Corporal from this unit has been sent with signals and letters to the C.C. of the hospital four times but Ten. Col. S.M.I.A.C.I.O.T. was absent on each occasion.

12 July 45	at 1500 hours
13 July 45	" 0830 - 1030 hours
14 July 45	" 1030 - 1115 hours
15 July 45	" 0900 - 1130 hours

The unit M.O.'s explanation for excessive hospitalisation is at Appendix 'C' but does not coincide with the treatment the men received. The M.O. said that all cases required medical treatment, yet the majority were sent on leave after only a day or so in hospital. It would appear from the general conduct of the Ospedale dei Miracoli that the efficiency and good faith of the Commandant and his staff leave much to be desired.

After extensive search this unit has been unable to locate four men who were sent to the Ospedale dei Miracoli from whence they were sent to other hospitals."

The following extract of a report has been received from C.O.
15 Base AFQ.

"By the 4 July 45, 28 of our total strength of 79 PWs were admitted to military hospitals 'Albergo Poveri' and 'Belle Arti' (Naples). Many of these cases were minor complaints and would never have merited admission to a British hospital. Nevertheless they were allowed to languish in the hospital for 7 - 8 days. Eventually, through our own efforts, most of them were taken back on to the working strength of the unit.

Since 4 July 45 arrangements have been made through the Commanding Officer 513 Italian Administration Group for an Italian unit medical officer to inspect these PWs of this unit wishing to report sick. This has resulted in the number of admissions to hospital. Of the original 28 men admitted to hospital, 4 of them have been given long periods of sick leave, ref. App. 'D'. Yet another was recommended for 60 days leave and no doubt would have proceeded had he not been detained by the unit. The men themselves report on their return that they receive practically no treatment and after 2 - 5 days they are given the option of leave".

Copy of an instruction issued by Lt Col. Rod. Pirottoni di Sanita (Guido Ferri) is attached Appendix 'E'.

These serious complaints require immediate and thorough investigation. Disciplinary action should be taken where necessary and a detailed report furnished to this H.Q. as soon as possible.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

J. E. Holman
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1st Lt Col.
A. H. M. G.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC. (MIA)

/SAG

Copy to: 191A L.O. 3 District
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Copy of an instruction issued by Il Col. Med. Direttore di Sanita
(Quinto Regio) is attached Appendix II.

These serious complaints require immediate and thorough investigation.
Disciplinary action should be taken where necessary and a detailed report
furnished to this H.Q. as soon as possible.

J. E. Moloney
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Lt. Col.
A. E. M. S.
AC. (MIA)
Land Forces Sub Com.

Copy to: MIA I. O. 3 District
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SUBJECT:- Medical Arrangements - Italian RAF Coys.

H.M.I.A.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-1(Br)/3023/A-2.

5 Jul 45.

Attached letter from Headquarters, MACAF, CAF/S.9507/13/Med dated 30 Jun 45 is forwarded for necessary action.

HDN/HR.
Encl.

Copy to:- ~~Headquarters, MACAF.~~



H.D. Harper Capt
H.D. HARPER, Captain,
Staff Captain,
for Major General,
DAG, G-1(Br).

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~~SECRET~~

(45)

Subject: 113 Dental Ambulance

LAND FORCES Sub Comm A.C.
H.M.I.A.
R O H E
A 290

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June '45

To : 51 B L U

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Ref your A B dated 25 June '45

We are informed by our Medical Section
that 113 Dental Ambulance is not under control of
this HQ.

[Signature]

Major General
H.M.I.A.

YMG/

Copy to : A.D.M.S

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Subject :- 113 Dental Ambulance

To :- MMIA

51 British Liaison Unit

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1. 113 Dental Ambulance was originally allocated to Cremona and Friuli Groups. This ambulance was with Cremona from 3 Feb to 4 Mar when it was transferred to Friuli.
2. As this is at present required urgently by CREMONA could it please be transferred to this Group for a further period.

Field
25 Jun 45
AS/JB

A. Savage
Major
DAA & QMG

*Not under
control this H.Q.*

See (4610)

Translation

From:- M of H.
To:- MM 1A.

Ref- 4/2050/15. (43)
Date:- 22nd June 45.

Subject: Forl. Rfts. Camp. (41)

Ref. A/290 dated 20/6/45.

In forwarding to you copy of teleprints 2/4/2047/15 and 4/2048/15 which were sent to-day to the Med. Directorates of Bologna and Florence Territorial Hqs, we assure you that also detailed instructions have been given by phone so that an immediate strict medical-hygienic inspection be carried out at Forl. Rfts. Camp in order to ascertain the actual hygienic conditions (individual and collective) and to provide most urgently to the assignment of prophylactic stores which might be required for that camp.

Moreover, we forwarded a copy of the letter referred to above, to the same Medical Directorate and to the Territorial Hqs concerned.

G.F.
15 July.

(Sgd) F. CAIARROLO.

Teleprint

From:- M of W.
To:- Florence Med. Directorate.
For information to:-
M M 1A.

Ref:- 4/2047/15.

Date:- 22/6/45.

Ref. A 240 dated 14/6/45.

Please make the necessary arrangements to send immediately, the Hygiene Officer or another Officer concerned of your Directorate, to Fali Rpts. Camp to inspect the individual and collective hygiene conditions of that Camp ^{and} at the same time, report mentioning most urgently the prophylactic measures to be taken and the requirements of disinfectant stores. Recently, 424 Rpts left that camp; These men were infected with lice etc. Acknowledge receipt by teleprint.

(Sgd) CHIDAROLA.

G.F.

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Translation.

From: M. J. W.
To: Bologna Hqs for Med. Directorate.

Ref. 4/2048/18.
Date: -

Please send immediately your Hygiene Officer at
Forlì to carry out an individual and collective^{med.} inspection of
the Rpts Camp & inform this office any prophylactic steps which
might be required for that camp and action to be taken &

G.f.

(Sgd) G. D'AMICO.

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TELESCRITTO GDD

DIRESAMMIES FIRENZE (VIA TELE)
ET PER CONOSCENZA STAMAGGIORE SERVIZI (A MANO)
LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (M.M.I.A.) (Rif.f.n° A290 del 19/6/45)

GUERRA SANITA' NUMERO 4/2047/18 ALT PREGARE DISPORRE PERCHE' UFFICIALE
IGIENISTA AUT ALTRO UFFICIALE COMPETENTE DI CODESTA DIREZIONE SI RENNI
SUBITO AT PORTI' PLESSO CAMPO COMPLENTI PER ISEZIONE CONDIZIONI IGIE.
NICHE INDIVIDUALI ET ACCETTATI SPERANDO PURE MASSIMA URGENZA PROVE-
DIMENTI PROFILATTICI DA ADOTTARE ET PABBISOGNO MEZZI DISINFEZIONE ALT DA
DETTO CAMPO SONO RECENTEMENTE PARTITI QUATTROCENTOVENTIQUATTRO COMPLEMEN-
TI INFESTATI DA PARASSITI ALT ASSICURARE STESSO MEZZO FINE GENERALE CALD-
ROLA.....131522

IL TEN. COL. MEDICO
(G. MANICO)

G. Manico

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Translation.

From; MMIA.

To ; M.of V.

Subject; Medical Orders.

19/6/45.

See letter A 290, dated 19/6/45.

From; M.of V.

To ; Bologna C.M.T.

& MMIA for information.

Ref; 2939 SP/I.

23/6/45.

The above is forwarded for information, since it deals with the 209th Inf., Div., Reinforcement Reception Camp.

We beg you to ascertain the case, and to inform this S.M. as soon as possible of the results of the inquiry, and of the steps taken.

GD.

(Giorgio Liuzzi)

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~~A740~~
Subject: Infestation - Bri-Iti Troops

HQ No 1 DISTRICT
Tel: 22107

1D/457/M
12 Jun 45

ADMS
Land Forces Sub Comm
AC MIA
ROME

The attached copies of M 31 of 4 June 45 from
86 Area and HQ/54/6 of 3 June 45 from 61 Group Pnr Corps
are forwarded for disciplinary action in accordance with
para 3 of your M/2/1652 of 16 Apr 45.

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J. S. Mitchell
BRIGADIER,
DDMS

M/2/2430

See FO

*M/2/2430
discipline
SPH 18/6*

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TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

REF: 31/NS

TO: M.M.I.A.

DATE: 12 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Fortnightly state of Allied military personnel
admitted to Italian Hospitals.

In compliance with the request made in letter A.Q/21/1 of
3.1.45, we inform you that no Allied military personnel were admitted
to Italian hospitals during the period 24.4.45 to 9.5.45.

Sgd. MOLA

Divisional chief.

O. Danin Cpl.

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Signal A290

OC (15) B

From: DIA

To: CG FIFTH ARMY

Info: FIFTH ARMY (NR INOR) DESTWO

M 2511

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FOR DIA LO (.) COMDEX WITH MEDICAL IF FOLLOWING: ITALIAN
BASE HOSPITALS STILL REQUIRED AS MILITARY HOSPITAL MILITARY
INSTITUTIONS CATEGORY IPI-III (.) FIRST (.) BERGAMO (.)
SECOND (.) MODENA

IMPORTANT

Precedence _____

SPA

Internal

Authenticated W. L. H. [unclear] Lt-Col.

'G'
'A'
'Q'

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ACQUI...Capt. Cooper to ensure recovery.

No ambulance cars. All in use by Patriots.

Afternoon

Visited ADMS 151 Sub Area, TURIN, and No 1 Terr. Command (Italian).

No Italian troops in this area except Territorial Command. No hospital arrangements required at present but accommodation presents no difficulty and a 200 - 300 bedded hospital is all that is required if the necessity arises. No ambulance cars.

1 June.

Milan. Visited DMS 2 District, ADMS 59 Area, Surgeon IV American Corps, No 3 Territorial Command (Italian).

Milan Military Hospital, Via Baggio - 2 District require urgently for Allied hospital site. 1200 beds are more than are required by Italian military and the following was agreed by all concerned (including Italian Civil Authorities)

(a) ~~Sanatorium~~ The Banda Hert Hospital (500-600 beds) will be cleared of civilians and made available as an Italian Military hospital. Italian military personnel from the Via Baggio will be transferred to the Banda Hert. German prisoners of War and other patients (Patriots, civilians, Republican Army) will be discharged to their homes or transferred to the ~~Sanatorium~~ Garbagnate Hospital about 10 miles on road to Como. (2000 beds). Until Phase 2 takes place and 2 District assume command this arrangement is being confirmed through IV Corps and 5th Army channels. As Allies require 1200 bed site and 500 will be more than sufficient for Italian needs, recommend that 'G' and 'Q' MIA agree to requisition this hospital although objection may be raised by 240 Div. and Ministry of War. N.B. - DMS 2 District agreed that storage space would be assigned within the Baggio Hospital for the Italian Army equipment where it may be withdrawn as required.

(b) Medical supplies. No data available but no complaint of shortage.

(c) 1 Italian Army ambulance car.

(a) No 3 Italian Territorial Command (Chief of Staff) appears quite happy about the arrangements in para (a) above.

2 June.

Visited 52 BLU - Bergamo. After discussion with Med Officer 52 BLU and the Provincial Commissioner A.C. Bergamo, it was considered that an Italian Base Medical Hospital in Bergamo would not be necessary and that the field hospitals of Legnano Group are capable of handling all cases and evacuating the more serious to Milan or Basso Brescia.

D.P.G. S/C A.C. propose to take over the Clementine Hospital in Bergamo as a centre for repatriation. There are about 1200 beds (Poorhouse) and a surgical block with 200 beds. If no further Italian troops are sent to this area consider these proposals should stand and are suitable to Italian Army and D.P.G. S/C.

Morning

Afternoon

Visited ADMS 5th Army (Br Inor), MIA L.Os. 5th Army and 5th Army (Br Inc) Spoke with Surgeon 5th Army on the telephone.

MIA L.O. 5th Army. Informed him of proposed arrangements for Milan and Bergamo hospital accommodation. (See above.)

Understand that part of the 2,000 tons of medical supplies removed from Florence in June 1944 had been located and frozen by 5th Army pending decision on disposal. Some of these supplies are said to have been purchased by the Germans - receipts are held - query disposal to be returned to Italian Military or remain for use of German Ps.O.W.

Ministry of War,
Direziono Generale di Sanita Militare

Copy to: MIA 10 5 District
MIA 10 5 Area
Int: 1A (2)

Attached is a copy of H 3 District Letter 375/13A of
12 May 45.

1. Plans arrange for Director of Medical Services No. 9 Italian Territorial Command to provide the necessary medical personnel for duty in P.A. Centres in Bari and Arletta.
2. Personnel will be provided from the ILL-III category and held against the strength of No 9 Hygiene Section, Bari. The S.A.Gs. will be open to all categories of Italian Army troops.
3. In view of the possible change in status of Co-operator units there is no objection to these units using these Centres.
4. MIA L.O. 54 Area will co-ordinate local arrangements for training if required.

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see

W. G. Kegg

Lieut-Col.
A. B. M. S.
Land Forces Sub Com. A.C. (MIA)

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Copy down TO A 1

MMIA	
Col. A.	
A. B. M. S.	
A. C. (MIA)	
Land Forces Sub Com.	

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Copy

Subject: PACs - Attendance for BR-ITIs
and Italian Co-operators

3 District
Baseball 17
370/13A
12 May 45

Land Forces Sub Commission (MIA)

1. HQ Area (your 4831A of 29 Apr 45 refers)
Mod (this HQ letter of even reference dated 15 Apr 45 refers)
MIA IO

1. AFHQ have directed that Italians should not be granted the use of BRITISH PACs and have suggested that purely Italian PACs be provided for BR-ITIs and Italian Co-operators.
2. HQ Area propose to open PACs for Italians at Bari and Barietta and it is therefore requested that a BR-IT staff of 1 WO or Sgt and 4 GIs be provided for each PAC.
3. It is requested that the attachment of such personnel be arranged as soon as possible; the necessary training will be provided at 25 WD Wing, attached 98 (Br) General Hospital.

(sgd) XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Maj Gen.
Comd.

AGA/SH

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6. EVACUATIONS. Ill.

MEDICAL STORES. The transfer to Rome (Magliana) of personnel and equipment of the Central Depot of Medical Stores has been completed.

A new quantity of medical supplies has been prepared in Florence and is at the disposal of "I" Advance Depot of Medical Stores.

8. M.A.C. The 2nd Ambulance Car Section with 25 ambulance cars has started operating on the central sector of the front.

9. HYGIENE. Every unit of the Italian Army has received instructions for the anti-malarial campaign for 1945.

There is a considerable increase of scabies infection among the Italian Army, due to the difficulties in the supply of soap and spare underclothing.

A case of small pox has been verified on an Italian soldier in Leghorn.

10. GENERAL. The Military Hospital on military rations of PALO DEL COLLE has been closed.

The transforming of the 10 Italian Field Hospitals of 50 bed capacity into tented Auxiliary Hospitals of 200 bed capacity has now been completed.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

F. Calderola

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