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A/350/200 British Awards To Italians

MAR. 1945 - FEB. 1946

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Subject : Honours and Awards:

Land Forces Sub Comm. AC.  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.  
Tel: 489081 Ext:360.

✓ A 350

26 Feb 46.

To : Ministry of War.

Capt. Philip SENNI - Italian Liaison Officer.

The a/m officer has been recommended for a British Award by HQ., 9 Armd Bde Group.

As the British policy concerning awards is still in doubt, we have been asked to pass a copy of the recommendation to you for information.

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In administrative matters Capt SENNI has worked continuously to maintain good relations with the civilian population. By his manner he has avoided unpleasantness, obtained the maximum of comfort for the troops, and has always ensured friendly relations between Army and Civilians, thereby keeping our 'prestige' very high.

Capt. SENNI has also given enthusiastic support to all duties assigned to him by higher authority. Such duty was entirely voluntary and had to be done in conjunction with his Regtl duties. It is understood that he gave valuable assistance to the Partisan Movement.

In general it is felt that his charm of manner, energy and devotion to duty have earned him especial recognition, and I recommend that it should not go unrewarded.

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Lt. Col.

Cmdg. 4H. "

*R. Wilson Capt.*  
for Major-General,  
M.M.I.A.

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Subject : Honours and Awards - Italian.

Land Forces Sub Comm. AG.  
(M.M.I.A.), R O M E.  
Tel: 489081 Ext:380.

✓ A 350

26 Feb 46.

To : Main HQ. 13 Corps.

Ref your letter 9012/9/MS dated 20 Dec 45.

1. We are keeping a file of Italian Officers and ORs who have been recommended for British Awards.
2. Could <sup>you</sup> ~~we~~ please resubmit your recommendation on the appropriate AF. W3121.

*f. B. Wilson Capt.*  
Major-General,  
M.M.I.A.

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/f.g.



Translation

From M. of W.  
To M.M.I.A.

A. 350.

Ref. 377/I  
7.I.7.

Date 20/2/46.

Subject Allied Certificates for Italian Soldiers.

Further to that already laid down concerning the concession of the a/m certificates, we would be pleased to know if amongst military personnel belonging to fighting units already benefited by this recognition, we may include those belonging to the "Friuli" and "Cremona" divisions who fought in Corsica against the Germans immediately after the 8 Sept. 1943 and who did not subsequently serve with combat groups.

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No not to be included.  
M & W as informed by  
LO verbally.

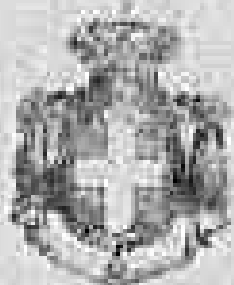
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Roma 20 FEB 1946

Ministero della Guerra

GABINETTO

Ufficio Onorif. e Ricompense

1a LAND FORCES SUB  
COMMISSION A.O. (M.M.I.A.)  
ROMA

Divisione

Dist. N. 377/1.

Allegati

7.1.7.

Registrazione

Data

N.

OGGETTO Certificati alleati per soldati italiani.

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In relazione a quanto già stabilito per la concessione dei certificati in oggetto, sarebbe gradito conoscere se fra i militari delle unità combattenti già ammessi al beneficio di tale riconoscimento, possono essere compresi quelli delle Divisioni "Friuli" e "Cremona" che hanno combattuto in Corsica contro i tedeschi subito dopo l'8 settembre 1943 e che successivamente non hanno fatto parte dei gruppi di combattimento.

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D'Ordine

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

P2 23/2



SUBJECT :- Awards - Italians

CONFIDENTIAL

4 H OMP

Ref : A846

31 Jan 45

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Capt Philip STINI - Italian Army (ILO)

The following recommendation for Periodic Award in respect of the above named officer is forwarded :-

This Officer has been attached to 4 H since Aug 44. During this period he has given unparing effort to help the war effort. Under fire he has proved himself fearless and ready to perform all duties assigned him in the forward areas. On one occasion when entry was made into SAN ANGELO on 24 Sep 44, he was one of the first to enter the town and despite heavy fire, mortaring and shelling, he made contact with the civilian authorities to arrange various measures.

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A M DARRIE

Lt Col  
CMRg. 4 H

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## TRANSLATION

FROM: Ministry of War

REF: 280/1

TO: M.M.I.A.

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DATE: 11.2.46

SUBJECT: Allied Diploma of Merit for Italian troops who participated in the war of liberation.

G.H.Q., CC.RR. Corps, has proposed the extension of the concession of the Allied Diploma of Merit to those who, caught by the armistice, found themselves in enemy territory and there gave valid contribution to the struggle for liberation.

Before issuing instructions on the matter we should be pleased to know as to whether there is any objection on the part of your Mission.

Sgd. LOMBARDI

Col.

O. Danin Cpk.

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GR/EM.



Roma 11 FEB 1946

Ministero della Guerra

GABINETTO

Uff. Onorif. e Ricomp.

Divisione

Prot. N° 280/1.

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Allegati

M LAND FORCES SUB  
COMM. AC. (MMIA) =

ROMA

Riposta al f. del

In. In. N°

Oggetto: Diploma di benemerenza alleato ai mili-  
tari italiani che hanno partecipato alla guerra di  
liberazione.

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Il Comando Generale dell'Arma dei CC.  
RR. ha proposto di estendere la concessione del  
diploma di benemerenza alleato anche a coloro  
che, sorpresi dall'Armistizio in territorio ol-  
tre confine, hanno colà validamente contribui-  
to alla lotta di liberazione.

Prima di emanare disposizioni in meri-  
to, si gradirà conoscere se nulla osti da parte  
di cotesta MMIA.

D'Ordine  
IL CAPO DEL GABINETTO

*[Signature]*

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Data 28/00

Data 2/2

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Time 11.30

Date 12/2

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*Ministero della Guerra*  
CABINETTO  
UFF. Onorif. e Ricomp.  
Divisione *Legale*  
Aut. N. 279.1  
7.1.5 *Allegato*

Roma - 2 FEB. 1946 *191*  
*68*  
# Sig. MAGG. RAUMANN  
presso Landes Forces Sub.  
Commission - M.F.I.A. =  
ROMA  
Rappresentante del  
Dir. *Legale* N.°

OGGETTO: Certificate of Merit

1350

Come da richiesta telefonica,  
si trasmette in visione l'unita copia  
N.° 186.950 al Certificate of Merit.

*Q.N. 186.950*

IL CAPO UFFICIO  
*Per [Signature]*

In accordance with your request by  
phone, we enclose for your inspection  
copy no 186.950 of the Certificate of Merit

*File 1100*

*TAC 4/2*

*8208*











~~SORRY START AGAIN~~ ~~PAPAL~~ ~~REPORTA~~

**IMPORTANT**

LRKB V MEAV IMPORTANT 140070

FROM 1 BLU 14100

TO HQ MMIA ROME  
QEH GR 22 BT

A693 . UNCLASSIFIED . REF YOUR A 541 OF 4 JAN . CREMONA  
INFORM NO REPEAT NO SOLDIER OF THEIR UNITS IS  
WEARING ITALIAN STAR RIBBON

BT ---

SENT NR 070 RRD AR BBB K  
RECD NR 070 141345A JLS B1

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SUBJECT : Honours and Awards - ITALIAN

CONFIDENTIAL  
HQ 3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT  
Tel: 152965 (Ext 25)

A/45/2

10 Jan 46

HQ MMIA

RECEIVED 14 JAN 46  
315  
A350.  
Ten. Oss. Cavall. Comol. Gian DAL POZZO (Dist of ROME)

Att find 2 LOTHIAN and BORDER HORSE letter 5/9797 dated 9 Jan with att certified true copy of recommendation for an award in respect of the above named ITALIAN Offr. The above was addressed to 231 Div, but as they have now ceased to function it was passed on to this HQ.

It is requested that this be passed on to the Ministry of War for any action they consider necessary.

*J. L. ...*  
Maj  
DAA and ...

CMF  
JDM/SYB

Subject: Honours and Awards.

5/9191

To:- H.Q.  
231 Division.

Lieut GIAN LORENZO DAL POZZO

Attached herewith a copy of a recommendation for an award for gallantry in respect of the above named officer for forwarding to the Italian War Office. The award is recommended by the Commanding Officer of the 16/5 Lancers, 26 Armoured Brigade, 6 Armoured Division, to which Regiment Lt Gian Lorenzo Dal Pozzo was attached in action.

The reason for the delay in forwarding this recommendation is that it is hoped to make a British Award to the above named officer, and for this purpose the original is being retained.

Lt.Dal Pozzo took part in the following actions:-

AREZZO - SAN GIOVANNI - VOLTURNO - PONTE CONSUME - ROCCA SAN CASCIANO -  
CESOLO VOLSENIO - ARGENTA - BONDENO - FERRARA.

C.M.F.  
9 Jan 46

GR.

*E. B. Borden*  
Major,  
Commanding, 2nd Lothians and Border Horse Yeomanry.



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Lieut G.L. Dal Pozzo.

Lt Dal Pozzo served as I.I.L.O. with the 16/5 Lancers from 13 July 1944 until 27 May 1945. During this period he took part in all our battles, travelling either in a light tank or a scout car with R.H.Q. Frequently sent forward to a leading Squadron during battle, he always showed exceptional keenness, courage and initiative. Cheerful and hard working throughout, he was a great help to the Regiment, and I consider fully deserving of any recognition that can be given him.

20 Dec 45

Signed. D.D.P. Smyley, Lieutenant Colonel,  
Commanding, 26/5th Lancers.

*Certified true copy of original.*

*S. Vass.*



CAPTAIN D. J. H. VASS  
ADJUTANT

2ND LOTHIANS AND BORDER HORSE (R.A.)  
C.M.I.

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ALAKE V MEAV 080149FROM 2 LOTHANS  
TO DAAG MAJOR PETIT HQ MMIA ROME  
QSH GR 30 BT

UNCLASSIFIED. VERY ANXIOUS TO OBTAIN SOME RECOGNITION OF SERVICES TO 16/5 L AND 2 LOTHANS OF LT DAL POZZO F I L O. CAN ANY BRITISH CAMPAIGN OR BRAVERY DECORATIONS BE AWARDED. TESTIMONIALS ARE AVAILABLE. CAN YOU SIGNAL ANSWER.

BT  
COTN TO DA/// FROM 2 LOTHANS  
SENT EM K  
RECD 031358 VS AK KKKA  
2 LOTHANS added to subunit  
17. PLW 3121 in respect of above  
Specimen 17. PLW 3121  
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SUBJECT:- Honours and Awards - ITALIAN Units

HQ No 2 District, CMF  
A/204(0)

28 Dec 45

HQ LIMA  
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A.350

Reference is made to the announcement of the grant of a special diploma to all members of ITALIAN units which participated with the Allies in the liberation of ITALY.

1. It is noticed from a list of units recently seen by this HQ that "Delegation T" is not included, although it is understood that this unit performed valuable work with the Allies.
2. It is requested that action be taken to include "Delegation T" in the list of units entitled to receive the above diplomas.

*My cheque is in  
Delegation T  
TAC 3/1/46*

/CPH.

Copy to:- Italian Liaison Offr.

*The HQ for the HQ is  
to decide they should be  
asked to remember Delegation  
T when issuing the  
Diplomas.*

*17/16*

*3/1/46*

*Wadent*

*Major-General,  
Commander,  
No 2 District.*

31/12/45





C O P Y.

Lido - 13 Nov 1945.

Commander  
12 AA Bde GMF.

Sir,

May I have the honour to submit this my application for permission to hold the Italian Star medal.

I have been told by a British officer that I may be also entitled to the 1939/45 medal.

I would like to state that officers and soldiers of the "Cremona Group" are already in possession of the foresaid medal.

Trusting this application will meet with your approval, I remain,

Your obedient servant

U. QUEROI - Lieut.

S. Tenente Umberto Querci  
Via G. Carducci 31  
Lido di Camaiore (Viareggio).

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A/358

G.O.C.

This is a delicate matter.  
 Gen Primieri has not yet  
 issued the certificate as he  
 says the Italian Ketch title  
 means nothing

I suggest a D.O. to  
 Webb Carter who is A.Q.  
 BIA. & let him sort it out.  
 Do you agree?

SP

Yes - Kill Webb  
 Carter to make  
 delicate by, and  
 5082 important it is only  
 a matter of time  
 that! (P.D.)

















GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, C.M.F.PRINTING & STATIONERY SERVICES DIRECTORATESubject:- Allied Certificate for Italian Soldiers.Ref: PSS/E 1261.

A3 G.H.Q., C.M.F.,  
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.,  
(MMIA) Rome.

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O.C., 5 British Military Printing Press, C.M.F.

1. First addressee's 6184/A3 of 29 Nov to Land Forces Sub Commission expresses the wish that printing of the Allied Certificate for Italian Soldiers (Job No: E 1261) will be completed on or about the 7 December.

It is regretted that we are unable to see our way clear to complete this job until towards the end of December.

2. O.C., 5 B.M.P.P. will please advise this Directorate as soon as possible of a firm date for completion and we will arrange collection with second addressee.

3 Dec 45  
HFH/MFC.



*Hamie*  
Lt. Col. R.A.S.C.,  
A.D.P.S. G.H.Q., C.M.F.







































































































































