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HQ M.M.I.A.

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Commanding Officer.....
Lt-Col AAC

Month and Year...JULY 1946

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appx
ROME	1		Italian Army Strength State	Appx J. 1
	2		T/Capt H.R. HERBERT to be A/Major and TACM Incr. M.M.I.A. in place of T/Major C.E. KING posted to X(4)A List	4 5 5
	5		S/Major R.N. CHAMBERLAIN taken on strength this HQ. Audit Board convened to audit accounts of 'B' Officers Mess.	Appx J. 1
	6		Draft Decree for Courts Martial and letter explaining plan and purpose of the decree received from the Italian Ministry of War. A further meeting with the Italian Ministry of War is to be held to discuss possible improvements.	
	8		T/LtJ H. HENRY returned from leave in GREECE.	
	9		A/Major General E.H. COLLIER appointed C.O.C., HQ MIA vice S/Major-General L. TROWING. S/Major General L. TROWING relinquishes appt. of C.O.C., HQ MIA and is posted to X(4)A List. A/Capt P.C. BOWEN, t.o.s., this HQ pending appt as PA to CCG	
	11		W/Major C.E. HERBERT defers release for additional period of 1 year.	
	20		A/Major C. PARKER posted from X(4)A List as CCO II (1).	
	21		S/Major L.N. CHAMBERLAIN to be CCO II (SD) vice T/Major A.J. BENTLEY to another appt.	

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HQ E.M.I.A.

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Year... JULY 1946

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Commanding Officer...

Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	Italian Army Strength: State	Appx J. folio 1
	T/Capt H.R. LERONT to be A/Major and DAGO Incr. M.M.I.A. in place of T/Major G.R. KING posted to X(4)A List	53
	S/Major R.E. CHARRINGTON taken on strength this Hq.	53
	Infilt Board convened to audit accounts of 'B' Officers Mess.	Appx J. folio 2.
	Draft Decree for Courts Martial and letter explaining plan and purpose of the decree received from the Italian Ministry of War. A further meeting with the Italian Ministry of War is to be held to discuss possible improvements.	
	T/Maj H. HENNING returned from leave in GIBRALTAR.	
	A/Major General E.H. CORLEIGH appointed C.O.C., HQ MIA vice S/Major- General L. BROWNE.	
	S/Major General L. BROWNE relinquishes appt. of C.O.C., HQ MIA and is posted to X(4)A List.	
	A/Capt P.C. ROBERTS t.o.s. this Hq pending appt as PA to C.O.C.	
	US/Major C.T. HERRICK defers release for additional period of 1 year.	
	A/Major G. PARKER posted from X(4)A List as CSO II (L)	
	S/Major L.H. CHARRINGTON to be CSO II (SE) vice T/Major A.A. HENNINGSON to another appt.	

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Commanding Officer

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Month and Year.. JULY 1946

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to A
ECIS	21		2/Maj. G.P. BATHMAN s.o.s. this IP on posting to K(8)A List	
	22-31		A.G. Liaison Gps with exception of 22ND being withdrawn. 22ND Gp attached to 1 HLU for local adm.	Appx J J
	25-31		DAMES visited 10 th SSS, Med Installations and Trg Depots in the Territorial Comds of BARI and NAPLES	
	31		30 tons of medical stores received during the month. Statement of infectious diseases for month of June 46. AF W.3008 (Revised) for July 46. AF W.3009 H (12 units) for July 46.	Appx J Appx J Appx J

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Unit: 1st Battalion

HQ H.M.I.C.

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Commanding Officer

Lt Col JAC

JULY 1946

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Summary of Events and Information

References to Appendices

1/ Major C.V. BARNARD C.O.C. this HQ on posting to X(8)A List

A.C. Nelson Gp with exception of TENDA being withdrawn. TENDA Gp
attached to 1 HJ for local adm.

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Statement of infectious diseases for month of June 46.

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AF W.3008 (Revised) for July 46.

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AF W.3009 II (HQ Units) for July 46.

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Month and Year... June 1945

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Unit... HQ M.M.I.A.

Commanding Officer...

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to App
ROME	1		Italian Army Strength State	
	5		UNERA replace balance of Medical Supplies loaned to them in Sardinia	
	7		T/Maj. T.P. DUCKOCK (52654) SOS this HQ on posting to Home Establishment. Proceeded with family to VILLACH.	
	8		T/Maj. J.C.A.J. O'FERRALL (42250) TOS in appt of SOME II vice T/Maj. R.W.J. HIBBARD (236667) to another appt.	
	10		Capt. STEPHENS, RAMC, admitted to 59 General Hospital.	
	13		The sports kit purchased from HAAFI sources has been distributed. An additional purchase of sports kit to the value of 200,000 has been completed by the PT School. GHQ are producing a statement on establishment and organisation of the British Army Cinema Services for the information of the Ministry of War.	
	14		T/Maj. E.P. BYATT (181250) apptd DACMG this HQ vice T/Maj. E.W. BRADLEY (77834) to another appt. with No. 4 B.L.U.	
	17		T/Lt-Col. H. MICHAEL (294472) despatched to Assembly for release under A/S Gp 32.	
	18		Sgt. ELLIOT, RAMC, proceeded on release.	

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Unit Hq N.M.I.A.Commanding Officer Col. LAG

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Italian Army Strength State

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T/Maj. T.P. LUCKOCK (52654) SOS this HQ on posting to Home Establishment.
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R.W.J. HIBBARD (236667) to another appt.

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Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	D.A.D.M.S. on temporary duty at Florence	
	T/Maj. B.R. POTEL (287718) Despatched to Assembly Centre for release under A/S Gp 33.	
	W/Maj. G. PARKER (167350) TOS this unit from GSO II (L) HQ No. 3 District. Capt. STEPHENS, discharged 59 General Hospital.	
	D.A.D.M.S. visited Territorial Command, Bologna.	
	D.A.D.M.S. returned from temporary duty at Florence.	

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'A' Branch & medic

- ROME
- 1 Strength State of Italian Army by categories.
 - 2 T/Capt R.A.BIGGS (197131) TOS this unit for appt as SC'Q' on Increment to W.E. from SC 'A' PW Increment to HQ 52 Area.
 - 3 The following changes of Command are made :-
 Brig. BOLOGNA GOC MANTOVA Inf Div. replaced by Brig. CORDERO DI MONTEZEMOLO
 Brig. PRIMIERS GOC CREMONA Inf Div. " " Brig. PIZZOMO
 Maj.Gen. SCATTINI GOC FRIULI Inf Div. " " Brig. BERNARDI
 Maj.Gen. OTILI GOC LEGNANO Inf Div. " " Brig. RICHIERI
 - 4-9 Major W.H.WRITER (130212) SOB this unit on posting to No.6 BLU
 N.T.R.
 Informed that Medical Units of "FOLGORE" Group being closed.
 Wife of Major A.K. EDWARDS-BYRNE (120663) arrived in CMF.
 - 11 Capt. L.W.MANN (172702) RA relinquishes the appt of GSO III SD Incr. to this HQ and posted to X8(A) list on appt being deleted from WE.
 - 12-13 N.T.R.
 - 14 Major R.C.LIBERT (291650) Disembarked NAPLES from UK and TOS this unit in the appt of GSO II(L) CORR Sec in an existing vacancy.
 - 15 519 and 520 Evacuation Hospitals, and No.1 M.A.C. disbanded.
 - 16 Capt. E.A.G.BALFOUR (149133) PA to GOC. SOB this unit on posting to X8(A) list pending release.

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Lt.Col. AAG

length State of Italian Army by categories.

APPX 'J' Folio 1.

Capt R.A.BIGGS (197131) TOS this unit for appt as SC'Q' on increment to
E. from SC 'A' PW increment to HQ 52 Area.

The following changes of Command are made :-

1g. BOLOGNA GOC MANTOVA Inf Div.	replaced by Brig. CORDARO DI MONTEZEMOLO.
1g. PRIMIERE GOC CREMONA Inf Div.	" " Brig. PIZZORNO
1g. SCATTINI GOC FRIULI Inf Div.	" " Brig. BERNARDI
1g. OTILI GOC LEGNANO Inf Div.	" " Brig. RICHIERI

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1g. E.A.G.BALFOUR (149133) RA to GOC. SOS this unit on posting to X8(A)
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ROME	17	N.T.R.
	18	UNRA started to replace Medical Stores issued to them by the Italian Army in SARDINIA.
	19-20	N.T.R.
	21	Capt. J.A. ROEMMEL (214599) relinquishes the appt of GSO III ISW Sec this HQ and despatched to Assembly Centre for release.
	22	Medical Directorate recommenced publication of "Giornale di Medicina Militare."
	23	Information received from C.RFI GHQ CMF that the purchase of Sports Kit by the Ministry of War has been completed.
	24-	N.T.R.
	25	Major C.E. KING (168518) DAAG this HQ married at ROME.
	26	N.T.R.
	27	Major J.D. STOCKER (88402) from Trg Maj. No. 6 BLU to be DAAG this HQ vice Major J.A.C. PHARCE (189791) to UK on release.
	28-30	N.T.R.
	31	Wife and daughter of Major W.E.R. PHILLIPS (145171) arrive in CMF.

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- (a) Personnel.
The following changes of Command have been made, waf 3 May.

Mantova Inf. Div.
Brig. CORBINO DI MONTESINELLO replaces Brig. BLOTTA as G.O.C.

Cremona Inf. Div.
Brig. PIZZARDI replaces Brig. PRIMIERI as G.O.C.

Prato Inf. Div.
Brig. BRIGNARDI replaces Maj. Gen. SCATTINI as G.O.C.

Legnano Inf. Div.
Brig. RIGOLINI replaces Maj. Gen. OTILI as G.O.C.

- (b) Strength State.
Strength state of Italian Army by categories as shown on attached statement.

- (c) Welfare. *Info received from C.E.R. 21 May 1946*
The purchase of sports kit by Ministry of War from R.F.I. has been completed.

J. D. Stocker
Major,
D.A.A.G. (Italian).

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Herewith strength state as at 1 May:-

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	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ORs</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
US - ITI	221	4468	4689
PR - ITI	162	1736	1898
ITI - ITX	11950	13642	148362
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J.D. STOCKER, Major

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Month and Year: MAY 1946."MEDICAL" BRANCH.D.A.D.
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10	Informed that Medical Units of "FOLGORE" Group being closed.	
15	519 and 520 Evacuation Hospitals, and No. 1 M.A.C. disbanded.	
18	UNRRA started to replace Medical Stores issued to them by the Italian Army in SARDINIA.	
22	Medical Directorate re-commenced publication of "Giornale di Medicina Militare".	
31	Medical Stores at MAGLIANO disbanded.	

There was nothing worthy of note in the health picture of the Italian Army during the month. On 30th April 1946, of 1178 beds available, 6250 were occupied.

Statement of infectious diseases for the month of April 1946 is attached.

MEDICAL STORES.

8 Railway truckloads received, and being checked and handed over.

Vouchers for a further 127 tons, (approx), are held in this HQ.

Vouchers for 60 tons, (approx), received during the month.

WAR DAIRY."MEDICAL" BRANCH.In Lieu of AFC.2118.Major,
D.A.D.M.S.,
M.M.I.A.

REFERENCES to APPENDICES.

SUMMARY of EVENTS and INFORMATION.

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Unit 'A' Branch MMIA

Commanding Officer

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to
ROME	1		State of Italian Army by categories	
	2		NFI	Appx 'J' Folio
	3		318798 W/Lt (QM) L. LUMB attached this Hq as Staff learner remaining X(iv) List.	
	4		Reports from Territorial Hqs and CARs report that discipline is generally good and morale improving. A serious incident occurred at the CAR BRISCEL during which the troops made certain demands concerning pay, leave, mess-ing, and family allowances. It is considered that, though some of the complaints may, in the main, have been justifiable, the method of their presentation was chiefly due to political and anti-army elements from outside; conditions of this CAR are again normal.	
	5		Ministry of War have allotted the sum of three million lire for the purchase of sports kit. An agreement has been made with C.E.F.I. CMC, to sell sports kit of this value to the Italian Army. A meeting has been arranged between Chief Supply Officer, EPI and a Ministry of War representative to complete the purchase. In addition to this, purchases of sports kit have been made by BOLOGNA Military Command and CAR. SEVINTO from EPI.	Appx 'J' Fo
	6		241125 Sub T/J/Comd. M.H. RENDHAM ATS Staff Captain this Hq disembarked CMF ex leave in UK (IICOP)	
	7		NFI	
	8		Court of Enquiry held to inquire into the circumstances whereby a traffic accident was caused resulting in the death of 14946192 Pte. MARSHALL T. A & SH.	

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Unit 'A' Branch MIA

Commanding Officer

H. J. Mac Lt. Col. AAG

Summary of Events and Information

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State of Italian Army by categories

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241125 Sub T/J/Comd. M.H. RENNARD ATS Staff Captain this HQ disembarked CMF ex leave in UK (11109)

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Unit: 1st Branch AMIA

Commanding Officer: J. H. Gillmore

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to A
ROME	8		X 243293 T/Capt A.R. HOCKRIDGE RASC appointed Capt RSC on Increment to this HQ vice Capt W.S. RINEL (314838) on posting to another appointment.	
	9		42317 T/Lt. Col. F.H.M. WILCOX RASC returned from UK LIAP.	
	10		NTR	
	11		241125 Sub T/J/Comd. M.H. RENNAN APO re-appointed Staff Capt 'A' and TOL this unit from UK (LILOP)	
	12 - 14		NTR	
	15		42317 T/Lt. Col. F.H.M. WILCOX RASC relinquished the appointment of ADST and SOB this unit on posting to 14 CRASC. 195632 T/Major M.P.H. DYKE RASC relinquished the appointment of ADST. Increment to this HQ on deletion of appointment from HQ. Posted to X(iv) list and attached pending release.	
	16		195632 T/Major M.P.H. DYKE RASC despatched to Assembly Centre and SOB this unit on posting to X8(a) list under A/S Gp.27. 47336 T/Lt. Col. J.L.A. HARDIE RASC appointed ADST this HQ vice Lt. Col. F.H.M. WILCOX posted to 14 CRASC Supply Units.	
	17 - 21		NTR	

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Unit. 1st. Branch. KIA.

Commanding Officer. Lt. Col. AG.

Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	423293 T/Capt A.E. MOCKWILL RMC appointed Capt RMC on Increment to this HQ vice Capt W.S. RINEL (314838) on posting to another appointment. 42317 T/Lt. Col. W.H.M. WILCOX RASC returned from UK LIAP. NTR 241125 Sub T/I/Comd. M.H. REMHAR ATS re-appointed Staff Capt 'A' and TOS this unit from UK (LILOP)	
18	NTR 42317 T/Lt. Col. W.H.M. WILCOX RASC relinquished the appointment of AIST and SO3 this unit on posting to 14 CRASC. 195632 T/Major M.E.H. DYKE RASC relinquished the appointment of DAIST. Increment to this HQ on deletion of appointment from WE. Posted to X(iv) list and attached pending release. 195632 T/Major M.E.H. DYKE RASC despatched to Assembly Centre and SO3 this unit on posting to X3(a) list under 1/S Gp.27. 47336 T/Lt. Col. J.E.A. HARRIS RASC appointed AIST this HQ vice Lt. Col. W.H.M. WILCOX posted to 14 CRASC Supply Units.	
21	NTR	

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Unit 'A' Branch MMIA

Commanding Officer Lt. Col. *W.H. Gilmore*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to A
ROME	22		287702 T/Major T.GOODACKER Gen List relinquished the appointment of GSO II (L) OGRH Sec on posting to Rome Establishment.	
	23 - 26		NTR	
	27		270609 T/Major W.J.FRANKLIN ROME TOS this unit from HQ Tyre Repair Wksps RMIE NAPLES Area, as DAIME. 39288 S/Major J.H.MOTT Y & L from UK to be DAAG this HQ vice T/Major M.A.PETIT (129321) 2 FF Yeo to X8(a) List for release.	
	28		120450 W/Major C.T.BENNETT RASC X(IV) List att'd at this HQ to be DAIST HQ No.12 BLU vice T/Major J.C.HALKET (95549) RASC to UK LILOS. 129321 T/Major M.A.PETIT 2 F & F Yeo RAC relinquished the appointment of DAAG this HQ on posting to X8(a) list under N/S Gp 27. Despatched to Assembly Centre and SQS.	
	29		NTR	
	30		A Public Relations Organisation under Col. FIORE-VERNAZZA has been set up by the Ministry of War. A PR officer at each Territorial HQ is envisaged. It is hoped that this organisation will quickly improve both morale in the army itself and the esteem with which the army is held with the public.	

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Unit *A' Branch MMLA*

Commanding Officer *R.H. Gillmore*
Lt. Col. AAG

Year April 1946

Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
	287702 T/Major T. GOODACRE Gen List relinquished the appointment of GSO II (1) OORR Sec on posting to Home Establishment.	
26	NTR	
	270609 T/Major W.J. FRANKLIN RENE TOS this unit from HQ Tyre Repair Works RMH NAPLES Area, as DAIME.	
	39288 S/Major J.H. MOFF Y & L from UK to be DAAG this HQ vice T/Major M.A. PETIT (129321) 2 FF Yeo to X8(a) List for release.	
	120450 W/Major C.T. BERRIDGE RASC X(IV) List att'd ST this HQ to be DAIST HQ No. 12 BLU vice T/Major J.C. HALKET (95549) RASC to UK LILOP.	
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	NTR	
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LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. I. A.) R O M E
A 356

2 Apr. 46

AUDIT BOARD

CONVINCING ORDERS

By order of Major General L. BROWNING, GB, OBE, MC and
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President to audit the accounts of 'B' Mess and HQ, MIA

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7/7/46

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Members Capt. J. HOMMELE
Capt. A.L. CARY

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3. Officers i/c accounts will be responsible for the production of A.C. M 1514 A and vouchers as required by the Board.
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SUBJECT : Submission of War Diaries.

G BRANCH

MMIA

G/99

22 Jan 46

To : All Branches and Services (two copies each)

Ref Office Instructions Nos 106 of 16 Nov and 109 of 1 Dec 45.

1. Para 3 of Office Instruction No. 106 as amended by Para 1 of Office Instruction No 109, states that :

"Sections and Services will submit narratives and appendices for the previous month to branches under branch instructions by the 3rd day of every month. These will be collated by each branch on Army Form G.2148 and signed and submitted in duplicate to the Head of the branch to GSI by the 8th day of every month for final collation and submission to GHQ O2R."

2. The procedure as outlined above is not being adhered to, services submitting to their respective branches copies of War Diaries completed and signed by heads of services. These have not been incorporated into branch War Diaries, but fwd to GSI and received by the Branch.

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Am. G. 2148

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Lt Col
CS

A. J. Smith

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November 1945.

ROME

1 Nov.

17/F 7566

MIA

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2-4 Nov.

NIL

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'A' Branch MMIA

November 1945.

ROME 6-7 Nov. NIL

17/B 7566

MMIA 8 Nov. Capt. C.G. IRVING-BELL appointed Staff Captain 'A'

9-15 Nov. NIL

14 Nov. AIMS visited FLORENCE and BOLZANO Territorial Command Hqs. At MERANO a tour of inspection was made of the FELTRE German Depot of Medical Stores which, it was understood, contained much of the machinery, stores and equipment of the Italian Military Pharmaceutical Institute removed to MERANO from FLORENCE by the Germans.

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ROME

17/P 7566

MMIA

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15 Nov.

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16-22 Nov.

NIL

23 Nov.

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'A' Branch MMIA

November 1945.

ROME

17/F 7566

MMIA

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25 Nov. NIL

26 Nov. One Military case of smallpox was reported during the month from AVELLINO. The case, a Carabinieri, has been isolated and all precautionary measures have been taken.

27-28 Nov. NIL

'A' Branch MSHA

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'A' Branch MMIA

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MMIA

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FOLIO 1APPENDIX "B" (A)WAR DEBARSPAY

The following rates of pay became effective as at 30 Nov. 1945.

1. Basic Pay: (20 Lira per day (up to 40 months service)
(30 Lira per day (40 months service & over)
2. Field Allowance: 15 --20 Lira per day (Indemnity of Marches; not for static HQ troops).
3. Operational Pay: 4 Lira per day
4. Ration Allowance: 5 Lira per day.

(Notes: Combat Pay -- 45 Lira per day and Adm. Duty Pay 32 Lira per day were abolished waf 1 Dec. 1945)

FOLIO 2APPENDIX "J" (A)WAR DIARYLEGAL - Amnesty.

The terms of this amnesty, applicable to the personnel of all three services, will exclude

- (a) Persons specified by the Allies as War Criminals.
- (b) Persons charged with offenses against the Allies.
- (c) Neo-fascist military personnel released from Allied to Italian custody.

The legal instrument is still in course of preparation.

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A Branch (Four)

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OFFICE INSTRUCTION NO 109
Compilation of War Diary

1. Ref MMIA Office Instr NO.106. Last sentence of para 3 will be deleted and the following substituted ;

"These will be collated by each branch on Army Form C.2418 and signed and submitted in duplicate by the Head of the branch to GSI by the 8th day of every month for final collation and submission to GHQ O2E."
2. Attached, herewith, is copy of instructions contained in IE Form 160 (Amended), detailing the correct method for the keeping of War Diaries and also pro-forma copy of AF. C2118. Owing to the difficulty of obtaining this latter Form, it will be necessary for branches to use stencilled pro-formae which can be obtained from C-Branch. Att is copy of Index to War Diary Appces.
3. It is emphasised that narratives should be kept as brief as possible and that Appendices should be confined to those containing definite information and those transmitting definite decisions.
4. MMIA Office Instr NO.106 remains in force with the exception of that portion referred to in para 1 above.

A. S. S. S. S.
Lt-Col
GS

1 Dec 45

ABC/jc

Copy to: All Branches and Sections.

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PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF WAR DIARIES

(Ex ME Form 160) (Amended)

GENERAL

1. A war diary will be kept by:-

- (i) Each branch of the staff in the headquarters of a formation or subordinate command.
- (ii) Units and establishments.
- (iii) Heads of Services and their representatives.
- (iv) Personal staffs and officers holding special appointments.

Notes:

(a) In the case of headquarters of formations and subordinate commands, sections of the various branches may keep separate war diaries or one combined war diary, as is found convenient.

2. Both original and duplicate copies will consist of:-

- (a) Cover (ME Form 160 Amended);
- (c) Narrative;
- (b) Index as printed on cover;
- (d) Appendices.

3. All details of the unit or formation, sub-units attached and, if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit, period covered and folio numbers of appendices will be shown on the cover.

METHOD OF COMPILATION

4. It is essential that the function of a war diary and the principles upon which this method of compilation are based should be clearly understood.

The war diary will be regarded primarily as a current monthly report made by the Commander of the unit or formation or Head of the branch. It will be signed once, as a report, by the Commander, Head of the branch or Senior Staff Officer. It is ipso facto a historical record.

In order to ensure accuracy and completeness and to save work, as much important information as possible will be conveyed in appendices consisting, with one exception, of copies of documents issued and received in normal routine. The narrative is intended to supply information not given in the appendices.

Commanders of all grades are encouraged to include in the war diaries of their formations or units any ideas, opinions and recommendations, based on factual experience likely to be of benefit for short-term research in the past, as well as material likely to be of value later for the history of the war. It is important that in recording the success or failure of our own or enemy equipment or tactics, commanders give, whenever possible, facts and figures sufficient to show the causes of success or failure. Vague general statements are of no value for this purpose.

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NARRATIVE (A.F. O 2418)

5. The narrative should be written up daily. It should supplement and connect the appendices, but need not give a précis of any of them. It should contain:-

(a) Account of operations with notes of topographical and climatic factors affecting them.

(b) Notes on how orders were carried out.

(c) Nature and description of field engineering works constructed.

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NARRATIVE (Cont'd)

- (d) Note of any administrative difficulties encountered and action taken to overcome them.
- (e) Note on how time not accounted for above was spent. (The type of training, etc., should be specified).
- (f) Brief notes of the times of receipt and issue of orders and important messages, and a reference of the appendix letter and folio number, and, only if necessary, a very brief note of the contents.
- (g) Intermediate movements of unit or formation.
- (h) Notes of any important visits paid and received by Commanders and Senior Staff Officers. It is equally important to make a note of the reasons for the visit and decisions taken.

The exact hour of occurrence should be recorded.

APPENDICES

6. GENERAL

Assignment of copies to the war diary.

When an operation order, appreciation, letter laying down policy or other important document is prepared, two copies should be made at the time specifically for the diary. This will be made a routine procedure; the copies will be placed in a separate folder, and not treated as spare copies.

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7. Notes

Appendices 'L' and 'M'. Originators of documents are responsible for two surviving copies for assignment to war diaries. Nevertheless it is convenient to include copies of important orders and instructions received. If duplicates of these are not available for inclusion, a note should be made.

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Appendix 'I'. Any statistical or other returns, i.e. location statements, strength states, distribution of transport, ammunition returns, etc., should be included.

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DISPOSAL

8. War diaries will be disposed of as follows:-

British and Colonial..... Original and duplicate to GHQ 2nd Echelon CEF.

The original copy will be forwarded to 2nd Echelon as soon as possible after the end of the month to which it refers, and in any case not later than the 15th of that month.

The duplicate copy will be forwarded with the original diary for the succeeding month, provided that acknowledgement of the receipt of the original has been received from 2nd Echelon.

All copies will be checked before despatch to 2nd Echelon to ensure that they are complete and contain complete sets of appendices.

GENERAL NOTES

9. A war diary is secret. The extraction and retention of appendices, maps, etc., from a war diary is an offence under the Official Secrets Acts.

10. The object of a war diary is to furnish a historical record of operations and to provide data on which to base future improvements in army training, equipment, organisation and administration.

NOTE:

Re para 6 above, Appendices 'B', 'C' and 'Z' are not applicable in the case of MMLA, and notes regarding them have in consequence been left out of these instructions.

jw
30 Nov 45.

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In lieu of
Army Form 0-2118

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Commanding Officer:

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SECRETWAR DIARYINDEX

Narrative (A.F. C 2118)

Appendices:

- A Situation at Nightfall (Form M.E. 161 or 162)..... + Fos _____
- B Signal Log..... + Fos _____
- C Messages connected with Log (in chronological order)
- D Operation Orders or Instructions issued..... Nos _____
- E Operation Orders and Instructions received from
Higher Formations..... + Fos _____
- F Intelligence Summaries issued..... Nos _____
- G Administrative Orders or Instructions issued..... Nos _____
- H Administrative Orders or Instructions received..... + Fos _____
- I Strength States, Field Returns, etc..... + Fos _____
- J Other Papers..... + Fos _____
- Z Top Secret Supplementary War Diary.....

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WAR DIARY - A2 SECTION.D R A F T1. LEAVE: Rulings given as follows :-

(a) Convalescent Leave : as laid down in para 2 (f) of MMIA letter A 020 dated 30 Aug. 45 - included in Aug. War Diary.

(b) Special Local Leave: 5 days local leave including travelling time in accordance with MMIA Letter A/T7 dated 11 March 45 and Ministry of War letter 205363/I.I. dated 4 May 45.

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(c) Liberation Leave: Allowing 21 days (including 7 days travelling) will now be discontinued, in view of the increase in progress of the demobilization programme.

(d) Leave after Courses at CERSANO: 5 days leave will continue to be granted to students placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd on Courses of Instruction. This leave NOT to count as normal privilege leave ^{nor} against 10% leave quota.

(e) Leave Outside Italy (including Switzerland and France) Allowed provided that a normal passport is obtained and that it is correctly vis^{ed} for the country that it is desired to enter. No special transport facilities available.

2. LEGAL: Proposed to establish a new Courts Martial System to relieve Military Tribunals of much of their work in connection with certain specified crimes, and to ensure that military offenders are brought to justice without delay.

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(d) Courts Martial to sit at or near to Territorial Hqs. This will facilitate accommodation for witnesses and accused under escort. Make for easy access to the convening authority on legal advice should it be required.

(e) Authority to convene a court martial/be granted to all ^{to} Territorial Commanders, and all General officers in command of troops.

(f) Courts Martial to have general jurisdiction to try all

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members of the Army up to and including the Commissioned Rank of captain.

(g) Confirming Authority to be the officer who convened the Court.

3. WELFARE.

(a) Italian Forces daily newspaper "LA PATRIA" to be discontinued.

(b) Essential that the Italian Army News is made available to the Italian Army during reorganization period.

(c) Proposed in the future to issue Weekly News Sheet to be distributed free to all Ranks to give them any Italian Army official information in amplification of anticipation of any

Army Orders or Instructions

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SUBJECT : AUGUST Monthly Report.LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
(M. M. I. A.)

LMT/107.

5 Sept 45.

TO: "A" *7508 06/9*
"Q" (incl Q2 & Q4)
ENGR
SIGS
S & T

Reference LMT/107 of 29 Aug 45.

The summary of the main activities of your branch for the month of AUGUST has not yet been received by this branch.

R. G. A. Groves
Capt
GSO III ("I")
Lt Col GS.

AGR/fjd

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SUBJECT: AUGUST Monthly Report.

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION, A.C.
(N. M. I. A.)
ROME.
INT/107.

29 August 45.

TO: (SEE DISTRIBUTION)

1. Will you please let me have a typewritten summary of the main events and activities of your branch during the month of August.
2. The consolidated Branch summary should consist of about 10 - 12 paragraphs, giving policy changes, directives, results of any important conferences etc. set out in chronological order and narrative form.
3. Branch reports are consolidated by G (INT) and the consolidated report is submitted to HQ A.C., copies to AFHQ, LONDON, and WASHINGTON.
4. Reports should reach G (INT) by 5 Sept 45.

M. Selby Maj
for Lt-Col. G.S.

ACTION DISTRIBUTION:

<u>BRANCH</u>	
OPS AND SD	- Maj. SELBY
ENGR.	- Maj. COPPLESTONE
SIGS.	- Maj. CALVELEY
TRC	- Maj. MEDLAM
"A"	- Col. PIDSLEY
"Q" (incl Q2 - G4)	- Lt-Col CURTIS
"Q" (MOV)	- Capt. EVANS
S & T	- Lt-Col WILCOX
Med	- Capt. COOPER
Welfare	- Capt. COPPLE

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Subject :- War Diary.

Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.,
(M.M.I.A.)
R C M H.

9 July '45.

To 1- G.S.O. III (I).

Herewith summary of A Branch activities
for the month of June 45 for inclusion in the War
Diary.

R.
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

MIR/pth.

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'A' 3. SECTION -- War Diary.

- June 9. - Brig.General MORICI Giorgio was relieved of his appointment as Commander FOLCORE Gruppo following a series of adverse reports.
- June 20. - Approval is given by this H.Q., to the appointment of Brig.General FIALOREI Guido as Commander FOLCORE Gruppo vice Brig.General MORICI.
- June - Count JACINI Stefano was appointed Minister of War vice Count CASATI Alessandro.

~~Copy~~ A 3 Section - War Diary

June

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20. Approval is given by the Hqs to the appointment of Brig. Gen PIATORSI Guido as Commander FOLGORE Gruppo Vice Brig. Gen MORIGI.

7. Comdt TACINI Stefano was appointed Minister of War vice Comdt 5421 CASATI Alessandro.

'A' 2 SECTION War Diary.

- June 9. - Ministry of War authorised to set up Central Guard houses within groups of Units in the same locality and a correction centre to hold up to 500 Soldiers under sentence in 3 District Area.
- June 14. - Ministry of War informed that movement between mainland and Sardinia will be restricted to civilian steamer service on which 400 places per month are to be reserved for Italian personnel.
- June 15. - Ministry of War authorised to discontinue special pay for Combat Troops and instructed to prepare scheme for standardised pay for all Italian Army.
- June 21. - Ministry of War advised to arrange section of welfare Service to look after welfare of Italian Soldiers during period following discharge.
- June 22. - A.F.H.Q., issued instruction that Personal effects of Italian casualties are to be forwarded by Allied Units to Ministry of War and not through M.N.I.A.

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Monthly Report

- May '45.

DATESUMMARY

- 1/5/45 - Leave for Italian Units under Armies, extended to Line river Po and West of Line Fama La Spezia.
- 3/5/45 - Italian Army Newspaper published in Bari.
Major Meade-King.) Attached from the Mountain School.
Capt Matthew.) G. Trug.
- 6/5/45 - Units not under Army allowed the same leave. Line as authorised for Units under Comd of 1st May.
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- 16/5/45 - Capt Freeland RASC posted to AFHQ Pool for Transit Hotel Duties.
- 17/5/45 - Particulars of Post Hostilities conditions and probable dates of release made known to all troops (letter received from AFHQ.)
Letter sent to AFHQ ref appts within new W.E. Major H.E.P.P. Thrupp (S.Staffs Regt) nominated for Intermediate Staff Course at Camberly.
- 18/5/45 - Effect of Italian Casualties to be dealt with by Allied Units direct to Italian H.Q.S.

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22/5/45 - Capt Matthew posted to D - P Assembly Centre (Austria) as Asst Camp Comdt.

25/5/45 - Capt Gary posted to 33 Mil Mission as Capt RASC. (Tpt) Capt Baker.) posted to 33 Mil Mission as Transport Capt Truscot.) Inspectors and promoted Majors.

26/5/45 - Capt Davidson.) posted to 33 Mil Mission as Transport Capt Kyle.) Inspectors and promoted Majors.

Major Papineau - U.K. Python.

Lt Col. McCann - U.K. Comp. Posting.

Lt Col. Curtis and Capt Hyde departed to U.K. (A/S/Group)

28/5/45 - Capt Tomlin posted to HQ 2 Dist as Asst Catering Adviser.

29/5/45 - Capt Wearne - New Camp Comdt arrived.

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