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NAAFI ISSUES

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Jan. - Dec 1945

SUBJECT:- E.F.I. Supplies to Italian Forces.

TO : Financial Advisor (Br),
G.H.Q.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,
M.M.I.A.
ROME
O.O.I.

3 December 1945

Reference your D/52/12 dated 2 Nov 45.

1. It is regretted that monthly reports since 30 June 45 have not yet been forwarded to you.
2. The estimated total value of goods supplied to GRUPPI during the months of July, August, September and October is as follows:-

(a) Fribuli	CL 558	: 12	: 0a
(b) Crenona	1,790	: 12	: 6
(c) Legnano	444	: 12	: 0
(d) Folgore	637	: 0	: 8
(e) Piaceno (RTO ICF)	900	: 8	: 4
(f) 1 Ga. Regt.	6	: 11	: 3
(g) 503 Gd. Bn.	156	: 19	: 9
(h) 1 Coy. 503 Gd. Bn.	32	: 5	: 7
(j) 519 Gd. Bn.	96	: 8	: 3
	CL 5,623	: 10	: 4a.

(June entitlement drawn in July)

August:

(a) Fribuli	CL 459	: 7	: 6a
(b) Crenona	232	: 4	: 1a
(c) Legnano	451	: 4	: 4
(d) Folgore	554	: 13	: 8
(e) Mantova	570	: 9	: 7a

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July:	(a) Frosinone	21,558	: 12	: 0d
	(b) Crenona	1,790	: 12	: 6
	(c) Legnano	444	: 12	: 0
	(d) Foligno	637	: 0	: 8
	(e) Piacenza (RTO ICF)	900	: 8	: 4 (June entitlement drawn in July)
	(f) 1 Gd. Regt.	6	: 11	: 3
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	(c) Legnano	451	: 4	: 4
	(d) Foligno	554	: 13	: 8
	(e) Mantova	570	: 0	: 7½
	(f) Piacenza (RTO ICF)	2,458	: 9	: 0
	(g) 1 Gd. Regt.	2	: 6	: 11
	(h) 502 Gd. Bn.	109	: 14	: 2
	(j) 1 Coy. 503 Gd. Bn.	18	: 2	: 5
		<u>3,456</u>	: 15	: 11½d

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September:

- (a) Friuli
(b) Cremona
(c) Legnano
(d) Folgore
(e) Mantova
(f) 1 Cd. Regt.

21,218 : 6 : 2d
1,715 : 17 : 9
1,750 : 13 : 6
N I L
828 : 10 : 3
11 : 1 : 8
5,524 : 9 : 4d

October:

- (a) Friuli
(b) Cremona
(c) Legnano
(d) Folgore
(e) Mantova

N I L
1,068 : 15 : 0
1,541 : 3 : 0
N I L
1,501 : 19 : 8
4,111 : 17 : 8d

M. Pragnell Capt.

M. PRAGNELL, Captain,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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(f) 1 Gd. Regt.

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W. P. Regan Capt.
M. PRAGNELL, Captain,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Internal : Welfare

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25 July 1945

Reference your CD/52/PA dated 3 Mar 45.

	2	3	4
(a) PRINCE GP	457	- 3	- 4
(b) CRIMONA GP	952	-10	- 2
(c) LICHANO GP	557	- 6	- 4
(d) POLCORE GP	2325	-14	- 7
(e) NANTOVA GP	425	-14	- 0
(f) ZEO TOP		H	I
() TOTAL	4748	- 8	- 5

P. P. Paddell
P. P. PADDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
N. M. I. A.

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Subject: EPI Supplies to Gruppi.Land Forces Sub Comr. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
6/2/3/325 July 1945To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CD/52/PA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of June 45 is as follows:

	E	S.	A.
(a) FRIOLI GP	364	- 5	- 4
(b) C. JEMMA GP.	723	- 19	- 3
(c) LEXNANO GP.	99	- 3	- 4
(d) POLGORE GP.		N	I
(e) MANTOVA GP.	944	- 14	- 5 1/2
(f) ETC ICF	1000	- 9	- 3
TOTAL	3132	- 9	- 7 1/2

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P. P. Pandelli
P. P. PANDELLI, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.Copy to: 50 BIN
54 BIN
52 BLU
53 BIN
56 BLU
"F" BIS ETC ICF
Welfare WMA

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Subject:- Canteen Supplies

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

WEL/G

19 Jul 45

Ministry of War
(Ufficio Benessere del Soldato)

Information has been received through the MMTA LO that 524 Italian Guard Battalion are endeavouring to obtain supplies of Soap, toothpaste and similar goods for sale in their canteen. The matter has been referred to 9 Terr.HQ., RAKI, to whom you will doubtless communicate details of the position.

2/Capt
WELFARE MMTA

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Tel : BARI 11458

Subject : Canteen supplies

14A
Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, A/C
(MMIA) c/o HQ 54 Area

Ref : ST/37
14 July 45

To : HQ MMIA (for attention ADWS)

I enclose for your information 1041 Q of 28 June,
ST/37 of 29 June and 08/1976/Serv. of 12 July.

Are you in a position to make any suggestions as to
the provision of articles such as those mentioned in para 3 of
08/1976/Serv of 12 Jul?

Chenault Maj
Senior MMIA LO
Eastern Italy

Copy: 227 Div East Det
9 Terr HQ

GPH/es

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Tel : BARI 13869

Subject : Canteen Supplies for Italian MilitaryMMIA Liaison Officer
Land Forces Sub Comm, AC.
C/o 54 Area, C.M.F.ST/37
29 June 45.To: 9 Terr Hq., Bari
HQ., 227 Div East Det

1. Copy of a letter 1041 Q dated 28 June 45, which presumably refers to 524 Italian Guard Bn., is forwarded to you, with special reference to para 2.
2. It is pointed out that supplies of this nature cannot be obtained on repayment from British NAAFI sources, but that certain items could possibly be provided by the Italian authorities, through their canteens, now in process of formation.
3. Please investigate and advise this office what you are able to do in the matter.

For Senior LO
Eastern Italy
Capt RASC.Copies to: 91 Garrison HQ (your 1041 G dated 28 June 45 ref)
52 Area

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COPY

14^c

Tel : Auto 1123

Subject : - EFI Supplies for Italian Military

Ref : 1041 Q

28 June 45

MMIA Liaison Officer
Att 54 Area

1. The Colonel in Command of ITALIAN MILITARY has asked if his personnel could be supplied with Boot Polish, Tooth Paste, Soap and so forth on repayment as they have none in their Canteens.
2. Can this be looked into so that they may be issued with such canteen requirements from their own resources or alternatively an Authority be obtained for NAAFI to supply on repayment.
3. The men under the Command of the Col do guard duty here and it is considered that such supplies are necessary to maintain a better standard of smartness and consequently morale.

Lt. Col.
Comd 91 Garrison

Copy ; 52 Area

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COMANDO 227^a DIVISIONE FANTERIA
+ Vice Comando -

N° 08/1976/Serv. di Prot.

O G E T T O : Forniture per gli spacci militari italiani. =

Bari, 12 Luglio 1945

ALL'UFFICIO DI COLLEGAMENTO
SOTTOCOMMISSIONE FORZE TERRESTRI
AC/M.M.I.A./ c/o 54^a AREA
(rif. f°n° ST/37 del 29/6/1945)

C.M.F.

- 1°) - Ho preso visione del foglio 1041 Q del Comando 91° Garrison.
- 2°) - Gli spacci fissi esistenti presso i dipendenti reparti, ad eccezione di vino o liquori, ben poco possono offrire al soldato.
- 3°) - La cantina mobile, in via di organizzazione (non considerando i generi confezionati, le cui materie prime sono state largamente assegnate dai Comandi Alleati), è sprovvista di tutti quei generi di facile consumo, indispensabili ed utili al soldato (lucido per scarpe, carta da lettera, dentifrici, spazzolini per denti, sapone da toletta e da barba, marmette per rasoi di sicurezza, pettini, ecc.).
- 4°) - Per quanto questo Comando abbia preso direttamente l'iniziativa per l'acquisto di tali generi per il rifornimento di detta Cantina Mobile, purtroppo ha dovuto limitarsi all'acquisto di esigui quantitativi di appena qualche genere (carta da lettera), sia perché il mercato locale non offre la possibilità di un'adeguata scelta (qualità pessime di prodotti), sia perché i prezzi di acquisto sono assolutamente proibitivi.

In considerazione di quanto sopra, si prega codesto Ufficio di prendere benevolmente in esame la proposta avanzata dal Comando 91° Garrison (in particolare per il 524° Battaglione Guardie) ed estendere - ove possibile - tale autorizzazione (per il prelevamento a pagamento dei generi citati presso il NAAFI Britannico), anche alla Cantina Mobile di questo Comando, la quale, spingendosi sino ai minori distaccamenti, ove il tenore di vita è molto basso, con un'adeguata varietà di articoli, potrà raggiungere il pieno scopo prefisso dai Superiori Comandi, e cioè apportare il massimo beneficio materiale e morale al nostro Soldato.

IL VICE COMANDANTE
(Col. ff. g. s. L. Lorito)

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Subject: EFI Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
4/2/5/1

26 April 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CD/52/PA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of March 45 is as follows:

	a.	b.	c.
(a) PRIVILEGI Gp	1,363	19	8
(b) CRUSINA Gp	1,695	12	10
(c) LEGGARO Gp	1,962	3	9
(d) FOLDORE Gp		NIL	
(e) MANTOVA Gp		NIL	
(f) RTO ICF		NIL	

TOTAL E 5,021 - 16 - 3

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P. P. R. Sell
P. P. PARDELL, J/Comm.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: 50 BLU
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"F" BLU, RTO ICF
Welfare, MIA

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Subject: EPI Supplies.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) R O M E
Q/2/3

26 April 1945

To: "F" BLU, RTC IOF

Reference your letter AQ/4/2/310 dated 13 Apr 45.

1. Authority is given by AFHQ under their reference AFHQ/2554/Q(Maint) dated 21 Apr 45 for an initial issue on repayment of 15,000 sticks of shaving soap and a maintenance issue thereafter of 3,000 sticks per month. These will be obtained in the usual manner through EPI on EPI Form MMIA 23.
2. This will ensure that each man is provided with a stick of shaving soap before he is posted to a Combat Group. On arrival at the Combat Group he will be eligible for the authorized issue of one stick every four months. BLUs will instruct Groups to ensure that men posted to them from the RTC do not obtain a maintenance issue until 4 months after the date of their reporting at the RTC.

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P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDSELL, J/Comd.
for Colonel, DA&QMG
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: AFHQ for Q(Maint)

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Please instruct IOG in accordance para 2.

Welfare, MMIA.

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Subject : RPI Supplies to the Italian Army for Dec. 44. 11A

Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C.
(M.F.I.A)
R O M E
2/2/3/1

7 April 45

Ministry of War

Attached is MAAPI Bill No. 82927 dated 31 Dec. 44 for M. 491-0-2 together with Credit Note No. 4451 dated 3 Mar 45 for M. 180-20-0. Also attached is a certificate signed by an Italian Officer on behalf of the Friuli Gruppo.

Full enquires have been made through the BLU, but without success to account for the discrepancy of 27 razors. It is suggested that you investigate this matter direct with the Gruppo. In the meantime to clear this long outstanding account with RPI will you please forward a cheque to this Headquarters, for onward transmission to RPI at AFHQ, to for M. 347-7-2 (138944lire).

F. J. Noakes
F. J. NOAKES, Col.
for Major General
M.F.I.A.

Copy : AFHQ for G (Maint)
AFHQ for RPI
SO BLU
Welfare MIA

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SUBJECT: Soap on repayment for the Italian Army.

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

Q/2-73

31 March '45.

Ministry of War.

Reference your letter O/2251/B.S. dated 25 March 1945.

1. Whilst the object of your letter is appreciated, it would appear to be an inopportune time to try and obtain soap for sale to the Italian Army as great difficulties are already being experienced by the War Ministry in meeting the demands for normal issue.
2. Until these difficulties are overcome and essential supplies made available you will no doubt agree that if soap was released for sale it would seriously hamper the supply of normal issues.
3. In view of the foregoing, it is suggested that the question of the supply of soap for sale be reviewed again with these Headquarters when ample stocks for normal issue are held.

F.J. NOAKES Col.
for Major General MMIA.

Internal:- ST MMIA.

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Subject: RFI Supplies to the Italian Army for February.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(R. N. I. A.) R O M B
/2/3/4

31 Mar 1945

To: Ministry of War.

1. Attached are RANFI bills for goods purchased by the FRIULI and
MANTOVA Combat Groups during the month of February.

(a) Bill No. 111611 dated 3 Mar 45 is for goods to the value
of £389-5-0 purchased by 50 BLU on behalf of the FRIULI Gruppo.

(b) Bill No. 6136 dated 25 Feb 45 is for goods to the value
of £149-7-9 purchased by 56 BLU on behalf of the MANTOVA Gruppo.

2. It will be noted that both bills are supported by certificates
attached signed by Italian Officers on behalf of their respective Gruppi.

3. Will you please forward to this HQ a cheque to the value of
£1538-12-9 (615455 lire) for onward transmission to RFI at APHQ in
settlement of this account.

4. It is requested that you will treat this matter as urgent and
return the bills and certificates with your cheques.

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Copy to:

APHQ for (Maint)
APHQ for RFI
Welfare SMIA.

P. P. Fardell
P. P. FARDELL, J/Cmsl.
for Major General,
R. N. I. A.

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Subject: RFI Supplies to the Italian Army for Jan

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME
3/2/5/1

31 Mar 45.

MINISTRY OF WAR

1. Attached is RAPI bill No. 11648 dated 15 Mar 45 for goods purchased by 51 RLV on behalf of the CASSOMA Gruppo during the month of JAN.
2. Also attached is a certificate signed by an Italian officer on behalf of the Gruppo.
3. Will you please forward to this HQ a cheque to the value of 5662-7-8 (267756 lire) for onward transmission to RFI at AFHQ in settlement of this account.
4. It is requested that you will treat this matter as urgent and return the bill and the certificate with your cheque.

P. P. Parrell

P. P. PARRELL, J/Comd,
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

PPP/wk

Copies to: AFHQ (for Q (Main))
AFHQ (for RFI)
Welfare MIA

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Subject: EFI Supplies to Gruppi.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A. .
(M. H. I. A.) ROMM
Q/2/3/1

31 Mar 1945

To: Financial Advisor, AFHQ.

Reference your CI/52/PA dated 2 Mar 45.

The total value of EFI goods supplied to the Gruppi during the month of Feb 45 is as follows:-

	£	s.	d.
(a) PRIULI Gp	432	10	0
(b) CREMONA Gp		NIL	
(c) LICHANO Gp		NIL	
(d) FOLGORE Gp		NIL	
(e) MANTOVA Gp	1277	2	0
(f) RCC ICP		NIL	
TOTAL	£ 1709	- 12	- 0

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Copy to: 50 BLU
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"F" BLU

Welfare MIA

P. P. Fardell

P. P. FARDELL, J/Comd.
for Major General,
M. H. I. A.

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Ministry of War
Directorate of Welfare.

No. 02251/ES.

To: Land Forces Sub Commission
(M.M.I.A.)

Subject: Soap on repayment for troops.

One of the deficiencies about which our soldiers complain very often, both in operational areas and in the rest of territory, is that of toilet and laundry soap. The ration that is at present issued to the troops, apart from some irregularities in the issue, that will be stopped, is not sufficient to meet requirements. There is a remarkable contrast in the issue made to the soldiers of the United Nations who live, work and fight in close contact with our own.

In order to stop this inconvenience, since it is not possible to purchase soap, because this item is rationed (requisition of black market soap would not solve the problem, as very small quantities are offered on sale), Welfare Office has planned a direct production, limiting same (at least for the time being) to requirements of troops belonging to combat and labour units (200,000 men).

Production would be roughly of 200 qls. monthly of pure soap (60 - 62% of acid fats) manufactured in cakes of 100 grammes and 140 qls. of toilet soap in cakes of about 70 grammes. To do this the following raw materials are needed.

Raw materials.	For Laundry Soap.	For Toilet Soap.
Sulphur Oil.	qls. 132.	qls. 95.
Caustic Soda.	" 22.	" 15.50
Industrial Salts.	" 12.	" 14

Sulphur oil and salts are available in the country and will be requested from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry; caustic soda would have to be released by A.C.

This soap would be sold to the troops at cost prices through Unit Shops: if actual prices are not changed (lire 8.00 for caustic

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I beg MMIA to obtain from A.C. release of necessary caustic soda (37,50 qls. monthly).

P.C.C. TAMASSIA,
Gen. of Brig.

/S CASATI
Minister.

COPIA PER IL COLONNELLO MO CANN
Rosa. 1898 24



Ministero della Guerra

UFFICIO BENESSERE DEL SOLDATO

Divisione
Dot. N. 09077/3.5. Allegati

Risposta al foglio del
Dir.

OGGETTO Sapone a pagamento per il soldato.

Una delle maggiori peggiori più di frequente e con maggior ragione lamentate dai nostri soldati, sia in zona di operazione sia nel territorio, è quella del sapone per uso personale e per la pulizia della biancheria. La ragione che gli è ora conosciuta, a parte qualche irregolarità della distribuzione nei ai corpi e ai convalescenti di poter ricevere, è insufficiente ai bisogni, ed il contrasto è tanto maggiore in confronto alle abbondanti disponibilità dei soldati delle Nazioni Unite, che vivono operando e combattendo in intimo contatto con il nostro soldato.

Per evitare all'inconveniente, data l'impossibilità di acquistare sapone sul mercato, perché il genere è tassato (la requisizione se si vuole offerto in buona misura non risolve il problema, perché si tratta sempre di quantità molto ridotte) l'ufficio per il benessere del soldato ha pensato ad una produzione diretta, industriale (almeno per ora) ai bisogni dei militari appartenenti alle unità combattenti e di lavoro (200.000 uomini).

La produzione si dovrebbe aggirare sui 200 quintali mensili di sapone puro (50 - 60 di sodio grasso) in pezzi da 100 gr. e più 140 quintali di sapone da toilette in pezzi da 70 gr. circa, ciò che importerebbe la disponibilità delle seguenti materie prime:

olio di soldato	cl. 13	cl. 93
soda caustica	cl. 22	cl. 15,50
sali industriali	cl. 12	cl. 14

Per sapere da dove per saperne di più sulle condizioni di lavoro e di vita dei nostri soldati, si prega di scrivere al

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OGGETTO

Seppure a pagamento per il soldato.

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Per ovviare all'inconveniente, data l'impossibilità di acquistare seppure sul mercato, perché il genere è tassato (la requisizione ne è quello offerto in zona nera non risolve il problema, perché si tratta sempre di quantità molto piccole) l'ufficio per il benessere del soldato ha pensato ad una produzione diretta, limitatamente (almeno per ora) ai bisogni dei militari appartenenti allo United Command e di lavoro (200.000 uomini).

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S A T U N I		Per sapone da bucato, per sapone da toilette	
olio di colfuro	Cl. 132		Cl. 95
soda caustica	Cl. 21		Cl. 15,50
sali industriali	Cl. 12		Cl. 14

olio di colfuro e sali sono disponibili in paese o saranno richiesti, a suo tempo, al Ministero dell'Industria, Commercio e Lavori; soda caustica dovrebbe invece essere a disposizione della Comandante Alloggia.

Il capone predetto dovrebbe essere messo in vendita al soldo, attraverso gli ayacoi dei corpi al prezzo di costo, se risulteranno inalterati i prezzi attuali (L. 8,80 per la soda caustica e L. 41,86 per l'olio al solfuro) si prevede che il prezzo di ciascun pezzo potrà aggirarsi sulle sette lire (invece delle 70 - 80 oggi praticate in Borsa nera per corrispondenti quantitativi); nessun aumento quindi di spesa a carico dell'Esercito pubblico.

Prego a codesta Direzione di ottenere dalla Commissione Allentata l'assegnazione del quantitativo più sopra specificato di soda caustica (21.37,50 quintali).

IL MINISTRO

F/to Casati

P. C. C.



IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA

GEN. C. G. TAMASSIA

G-5A

Amount made of EPI goods issued on request to

Groupie Entertainment. - AQ/2/3 of 4 L.

Item

Richard Bone

Manhatten

Regons

1 per 2 min.

Nil

High Blades

-

2 per 1 month

Tooth Brushes

1

1 per 4 months

Shaving Brushes

1 per 2 min.

Nil

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Shaving soap under correspondence

Reg

AFHQ Sup.

AFHQ Sup. FX 34041 of 26 Feb.

Embroid Goggles

300

1332

Toothpaste

1 Tube. per man per month.

Shaving soap

1 stick - - 1 month

High Blows

Tooth Brushes

Shaving Brushes

1 per 2 men

Nov.

under correspondence

Shaving soap



Ed

~~Antony~~ Ed

AFHQ Sup. Fx 34041 of 26 Feb.

Carbide Grinders

Ed

1332

Toothpaste

Shaving soap

1 Tube per man per month

1 Shave - - - 6 months

SUBJECT: POST EXCHANGE ITEMS.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)ROME.
Q/2-61.
3 March 1945.

To : Commanding Officer,
2698th. Technical Supervision Regt.
APO 782, U.S. Army.

1. In reference to your letter dated 20 Feb. 1945 subject, "PX Items for Italian Guard", we regret to inform you that Post Exchange items cannot be made available to the Italian Military Forces from U.S. Army Stocks.

2. The items supplied to the Italian Military Forces from Allied Sources are determined by the Combined Chiefs of Staff, and no provision of such articles must remain the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry.

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

Copy to: QM MTOUSA.

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Industry S-Comm. will probably, in the near future,
make a bulk allotment to the Italian Min. of Industry
of Caustic Soda. This would cover all commitments.

In the meantime, there is no difficulty in
fixing the quantity, once the authority is obtained.
S. O. thinks that the ration for the army was fixed by
agreement with Chief of Industry S/Comm.

1330

SOAP TO BE SOLD TO THE ITALIAN SOLDIERS-ON
RATION BASIS.

For about 200.000 men ✓

100 gr. (for laundry) per man, per month.

70 gr. (toilet soap) " "

one piece every two weeks.

Q.li 200 - caustic soda required: q.li 22

q.li 140 " " " : " 15,50

Caustic soda required per month 37,50

The oils, fats and salts would be made available by Min. of Commerce.

Other materials bought on the market.

Only requirement is soda caustic

Min. of Commerce - Chemicals (Industry Sub-Commission)

not in Sunday paper

1328

" " " : 45 - 60 %.

The distribution is based on the fat content.

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SUBJECT :- Italian welfare.

A.D.A.W.S.
c/o Land Forces Sub Comm.A.C.
(S.M.I.A.) ROME.
W.L/G/2.
20 Jan. 45.

Army Welfare Services,
A.F.W.S. C.C.F.

Copy:-Ministry of War,
Ufficio Assistenza e Benessere del Soldato.

1. An enquiry has been received from Italian Welfare as to whether or not it would be possible for the Italians to purchase in the United Kingdom or America cigarettes for Italian troops, fighting with the Allies.

2. Will you please state whether such a scheme would be possible.

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Lt.Col.
A.D.A.W.S.

1326

E.I.I. Issues to Italian Troops.

The position appears to be as follows:

Combat Groups only receive:

Razors	1 per 2 men	-
" Blades	-	2 per 1 month
Toothbrush	1 per man	1 .. 4 " 5.
Shaving brush.	1 per 2 men	-

AFHQ/2554/Q (Main) 27 g. 44.
(155/2) (Aq/2/3)

Discussion is at present proceeding as to whether shaving soap can be added, as no local supplies can be made available, because of the shortage of raw materials.

Payment is in bulk thru' Gr. War Office.

No facilities are available for any other Italian troops.

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[Signature]

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