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C O P YTRANSLATION*This replies to Q 004 of 24 Sept. (69)*From: M. of W.
To : NMIA*File in the same file
as our to Q letter.
AB*Ref : 45684/DM
Date: 11/11/46

Subject: Production of the mechanical workshops. -

1. From the statistic data received, it appears that the weekly output of repairs carried out at the repair units (which were approximately 480 in the first six months of 1946) has lightly decreased during the months of August and September, having dropped to 460.

2. This is due, besides the reasons indicated by you, to the disbandment of Nos. 1 and 2 Mobile Parks and, above all, to the fact that from time to time when the LADs of the M.T. units, mobile Battalions and Carabinieri Legions commence to function, the majority of class 1 repairs and a few of class 2 repairs are carried out by the units themselves and therefore not entered in the weekly repairs.

For the same reasons the repair units, having to carry out almost all repairs of classes 2 and 3, which require more personnel and time, must show, compared with the past, a numerical reduction in the weekly out-put.

3. Regarding the administrative work carried out by the chiefs of the Repair Units it is known that the renewal of the peace administrative rules, (w.e.f. 1st July) absorbs a notable part of their activities. Unfortunately it is not possible to quickly change the laws in force, which aim at a severe administration of public funds. However provisions have been proposed - and we hope that they will be quickly approved - which will notably facilitate the management of unit accounts, permitting a speedier carrying out of the matters concerned.

4. The assignment of the funds to repair units depends on the relative allotment of the budget which cannot be exceeded. A temporary crisis in the availability of the funds has been caused by the substitution of the war administrative rules with the peace administrative rules. This has provoked a temporary less frequent assignment of funds to the local units as it was not known, then, the amount of the new allotments.

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Said difficulties have now been overcome and the assignments of funds are proportioned to the importance of repair units, to their production output and to the number of vehicles running in the territory under their jurisdiction.

5. The employment of the personnel for Repair units was previously made in a manner not always connected with the technical efficiency required for the carrying out of the duties, as tradesmen were not available, due to them all being employed by civilian workshops with a very high rate of pay.

The prohibition of dismissals does not permit, at present, the necessary substitutions. We hope for a better future as soon as the less capable personnel can be dismissed.

6. Regarding the mess-halls and other accommodations of economical character for the workers, we would point out that they have been by this time, set up in almost all military workshops and spare parts stores and that soon they will be also set up in the repair units that still do not possess them.

sgd. Rossi
Gen.

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TRANSLATION

From: M.of W.
To : MMIA

Ref: 84375
Date: 8/11/46

Subject: Main repairs to material and various items
of Allied manufacture. - Marking of the material.

Ref. letter ME/21/65 dated 23/7/46. -

a) - Engines, rear axles and gears.

It has been ordered that for engines, which have their cylinders and elbow shafts rectified, a small metal plate bearing the inscriptions of the O.A.R.E. or of the civilian firm which rectified them, should be placed on the mainblock, in a position where it can easily be seen, mentioning also the maximum or the minimum adjustments made, i/e. "Adjusted" cylinders to m/m - Shaft to m/m, and the progressive reference number. -

A rectangle measuring 54 m/m x 27 m/m which encloses two red stars of a diameter of 25 m/m each (that indicate by the order in which they are painted, the adjustments carried out to the cylinders and to the elbow shafts) will also be painted with red enamel paint in a position where it can easily be seen.

If one of the adjustments alone is carried out, the star which represents the other will be substituted by a horizontal line in red measuring 25 m/m x 2 m/m, and therefore if only the cylinder is adjusted a star will be shown followed by the horizontal line, and viceversa if only the elbow shaft is adjusted.

The date of the adjustment to the engine group will also be inserted in the above metal plate.

A similar procedure will be used for the repairs carried out by the Caproni Firm, which will provide a suitable plate on which the firm - date - type of repair will be shown.

b) - Guns, small and automatic weapons. -

The markings to be made on the weapons, guns and their parts, manufactured or repaired in the establishments of the Army or by private industry are already being used for all the Italian material employed by the Army.

However we will confirm by circular said instructions, explaining them, where necessary, on the basis of the suggestions contained in the above referred letter.

sgd Properza

Follow up
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11 Feb 47

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21 Nov 46

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
DIREZIONE GENERALE ARTIGLIERIA E MOTORIZZAZIONE
UFFICIO DEL DIRETTORE GENERALE

S4375

Roma 11,

8 NOV 1946

Prot. n.

OGGETTO: riparazioni principali e materiali e complessi di produzione alleate - Contrassegni ai materiali.

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION AG (M.M.I.A.)
(rif.f. ME/21/65 del 23-7-1946)

ROMA

e, per conoscenza:

AL CABINETTO

ALL'UFFICIO COORDINAMENTO

ALL'UFFICIO SERVIZI DELLO S.M.

ALLA DIVISIONE MOTORIZZAZIONE

ALLA DIVISIONE TECNICA

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a) - Motori, assi posteriori e complessi degli inaraggl -

E' stato disposto che, per i motori ai quali vengono rettificati i cilindri e l'albero a gomito, sul monoblocco ed in posizioni opportune e ben visibile, venga applicata una targhetta in metallo contenente l'intestazione dell'Officina Automobilistica Riparazioni Esercito o della ditta civile revisionante, l'entità rispettivamente della maggioranza o minorazione come appresso è indicato: "RETTIFICATO" Cilindri a mm. - Albero a mm. ed il numero progressivo della revisione.

Inoltre in un posto ben visibile verrà dipinto, con vernice rossa a smalto, un rettangolo delle dimensioni di mm. 54 x 27 racchiudente due stelle affiancate del diametro di mm. 25 ciascuna che indicano, nell'ordine in cui sono messe, la avvenuta rettifica dei cilindri e dell'albero a gomito.

Non avendo luogo una qualunque delle rettifiche in questione, la stella che la simboleggia verrà sostituita da una barretta orizzontale sempre in rosso di mm. 25 x 2, ed in conseguenza, per la rettifica dei cilindri, si avrà una stella seguita da una barretta orizzontale, mentre per la sola rettifica dell'albero a gomito si avrà la barretta seguita dalla stella.

Alla targhetta rettifica sarà anche inserita la data dell'operazione eseguita sul gruppo motore.

Analogha disposizione sarà adottata per le riparazioni presso la ditta Caproni studiando apposita targhetta in ⁶⁰appalano: ditta - data - tipo di riparazioni eseguite.

b) - Artiglierie ed armi portatili ed automatiche -

I contrassegni da apporre alle armi, alle artiglierie e loro parti, costruite o riparate negli stabilimenti dell'Arma o presso la

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La nuova macchina sarà anche inserita la data dell'operazione eseguita sul gruppo motore.

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ti, costruite o riparate negli stabilimenti dell'Arma o presso la
industria privata, sono già in atto per tutti i materiali italiani
impiegati dall'Esercito.

Verrà comunque provveduto a mezzo di circolare a confermare le disposizioni stesse chiarendole, ove necessario, sulla base dei suggerimenti contenuti nel foglio in riferimento. -

DIRETTORE GENERALE
(Gen. P. G. Properzi)

TRANSLATION II
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TRANSLATION

From: Ministry of War

Ref: 5340/ORD/II

To: Mil Terr Command of Rome
M.M.I.A. for info

Date: 9 Nov 46

(ref your letter SD/58/2 dated 23/10/46)

Subject: Increase of personnel

Further to letter 5099/ORD/1 dated 20th Oct 46.

1. In publication 10/3 "Temporary W/E of Territorial Units of the interim Army" to the W/E of the Mil Terr Command (reinforced), add the following notes (page 12):

The Mil Terr Command of Rome has a surplus of 3 officers (of whom one with staff college certificate) and 2 NCOs to cope with the excessive work deriving from the duties as at para. 2 letter b of circular 5099/ORD/1 dated 20/10/46.

Regarding issue of rations in kind, said personnel will use up the reserve of the Territorial Units.

Sgd. Luzzati, Gen.

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Sgd. Bianchi, Gen.

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*14 Nov. 46
J. N. B.
11/11/46*

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Serial No. ~~7084~~

W. E. No. ~~SS/443/444/445~~ 726/4

Unit 14 Dep. Lin. Aut. co (2nd class)

Location ~~Abbesanta, Sardinia~~

Command: Operational

Administrative

O/C

Qualifications

2 i/c Veng. Galvin

What duty is performed Removal of all vehicles

17.13. B officers: 12 NOOs, 97 soldiers

8	"	12	"	40	"	123 civilians
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None of the private soldiers are specialists

GENERAL REMARKS

1.) *Employment*

a) Hours worked - Daily	from	to:	to
0730	12.00	13.30	17.30

est. 0750 - 10. Weekly: Total

b) Efficiency

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c) Discipline

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d) Morale

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f) Remarks

2.) Accommodation

Being reallocated. Comments below regarding the new quarters

a) Sleeping Quarters suitable

b) Messes
 requires improvement and more furniture.

c) Cookhouses

d) Hygiene

e) Ablutions

	Not yet stored
f) Canteens	

g) Food Stores - Suitable

b) General

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What duty is performed Repair of all vehicles

T.E. 8 officers 12 NCOs 91 soldiers
 8 " 12 " 40 " 123 civilians
 None of the private soldiers are specialists

GENERAL REMARKS

- 1.) *Employment* *Training* *Duty*
- a) Hours worked - Daily 0730 from 2.00 to: from 13.30 to 17.30
 sat. 0730 - 12. Weekly: Total - 47 hrs.
- b) Efficiency All mechanics and tradesmen are civilians, there is a shortage of tradesmen in this area and those from Cagliari do not wish to come here.
- c) Discipline It is intended to transfer this unit to Cagliari but no attempt to move has yet been made partly because UNHRA occupies part of the barracks.
- d) Morale
- f) Remarks

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- a) Sleeping Quarters suitable
- b) Messes requires improvement and more furniture.
- c) Cookhouses Needs improving
- d) Hygiene Needs improving
- e) Ablutions Outdoor
- f) Canteens Not yet stored
- g) Food Stores Suitable
- h) General This needs attention.

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3.) *M. T.*

- a) Condition of Vehicles
- b) Are AB412s maintained ✓
- c) Are AB406 maintained ✓
- d) Results of check on maintenance To be improved

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e) Are correct oils used YES
 f) What is fuel reserve and how is it stored In store outside barracks

g) General Reported that AB406 is arriving with vehicles.

Driver Landrover 1/19

4.) Clothing and Equipment British Italian?

a) How clothed Summer clothing very mixed
 b) Turnout Fair
 c) Replacements Being awaited
 d) Losses Becoming less.
 e) Accounting Italian system.
 f) Stores Not yet in order.

5.) Arms and Ammunition British or Italian? Dated for September

a) Types held No of vehicles at beginning of month 57
 b) Condition No received during month 14
 No repaired 23

c) Care and Maintenance

Arms

Ammo

Men bonds worked

d) Armourers Service (2)

e) Armoury

6.) Welfare

a) Refreshments NO
 b) Indoor Games NO
 c) Outdoor Games YES
 d) Library NO

e) Recreation, Reading and Quiet Room Under consideration

f) Name of Unit Welfare Officer (with comments)

Ten Perretti

8th BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
 (ITALIAN)

31 OCT 1948

7.) Notes on Officers Has had previous knowledge of British methods of running

- 31 Oct 46

Q^o BRITISH LIAISON UNIT

(ITALIAN)

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SUBJECT:- Disbandment of HQ Central Military Schools

LAND FORCES SUB COMM AC(141A)
(489081 Ext 218) SD/58/2
27 Oct 46.

TO: MINISTRY OF WAR

Ref your letter 5091/Ord/I dated 20 Oct.46.
paragraph 3 (d).

Since the disbandment of Central Military Schools HQ is a permanent measure and the employment at HQ 8 Territorial Region of three officers and two NCOs to control the Schools is a permanent commitment, it is suggested that an amendment be made to War Establishment of HQ, a Territorial Region in the form of a note showing "Three Officers (One with Staff College Certificate) and two NCOs may be held as an increment to HQ 8 Territorial Region to control the Central Military Schools", or words to that effect.

This HQ does not think it satisfactory to allow these personnel merely to be attached surplus to War Establishment.

ARCS/ter

for
Major General.
M. M. I. A.

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Attest
for Major General. *CI*
M. M. I. A.

Ref. 5091/Ord/I
20 Oct. 46

SUBJECT = Major Repairs to Equipment and
Assemblies of Allied Manufacture.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A. R O M E.
ME/21/71

30 Oct. '46.

TO = Ministry of War.

Ref. this office letter ME21/65 of 23 July '46.
May we now have your comments on the above letter
together with copies of any instructions you have issued or
propose to issue on this matter?

AB/ob

A. BUEFF, Lt. Col.
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering.
M.M.I.A.

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Regd
30 Oct 1946

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DECLASSIFICATION

FROM : U. of N.

TO : MEMPHIS

M.I.A. (for info)

REF : 3091/000/1

DATE : 20/04/65

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SUBJECT: Disbanding of Military Central Schools HQ

1. W.O.C. 5 Nov. 1965 His Military Central Schools HQ will cease functioning.

2. The activities at present carried out by said HQ, will be entrusted to:

- a) Disbanding of central (organizational, training, discipline and welfare):
- Infantry School
 - M.P. School
 - P.P. School
 - Service and Welfare School
 - Attached War School
 - Auxiliary School

} Infantry Inspectorate

} Auxiliary Inspectorate

- Eng. School
- Signal School

} Eng. Inspectorate

- M.I. School

} M.I. General Inspectorate

- School of cooperation between various arms

} GSC

b) Disbanding of the various, billeting and various elements, organizational, administrative, military territorial command of HQ.

Personnel:

c) GSC: orders will be given by the GSC.

d) Personnel: will be reported for further employment as follows:

- Colonel: to GSC
- Officers with short college certificates: to GSC
- Other Officers: to the General Directorate of Personnel

e) HQ and staff will be reported for further employment as follows:

f) Military Personnel: will be reported for further employment as follows:

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2. The notation at present carried out by said HQ, will be continued for

a) Activities of command (organization, training, discipline and so forth):

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| - Infantry School | } Infantry Inspectorate |
| - M.I. School | |
| - I.I. School | |
| - Service and various school | } Artillery Inspectorate |
| - Armoured car school | |
| - Artillery School | |
| - Tank school | } Air Inspectorate |
| - Signal school | |
| - M.C. School | |
| - School of cooperation between various arms | } G.M. |
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b) Participation of the services, battalions and various elements
in the military exercises of the various commands of the

3. Materials:

- a) G.O.: orders will be given by the Cabinet.
- b) Officers: will be reported for further employment as follows:
- Cabinet: no Cabinet
 - Officers: with those College Certificates in III
 - Other Officers: to the General Directorate Officers Personnel.
- c) N.M. and M.M.: will be reported for further employment as follows:
- Officers: no Cabinet
 - Officers: with those College Certificates in III
 - Other Officers: to the General Directorate Officers Personnel.

- d) Military Personnel Demand of N.M. is authorized to employ three officers (at least one with those College Certificates) and two N.M. to work with the unit deriving from the new units laid down in para 2, letter (b) above.
- It is understood that this personnel is assigned surplus to M.

The Combined Section will remain at the disposal of the Military Personnel Demand of N.M. (see para 2, letter (b) above 4/10/65).

The mobile signal for teaching the training method (letter 409/10/65 dated 23/2/65) will come under the Infantry School.

5. Materials:

- a) Vehicles will be returned to:
- officers vehicles: 8 different vehicle mark

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- Inactive/retired vehicles; 6 Repair Unit

Report to the relative date (type - license plate n)

b) Remaining materials - will be returned in accordance with orders issued by the Military Territorial Command of Rome.

6. A new party of the main Military Central School will function up to date the 30 Nov 1946.

Subsequent operations will be completed by the above date. The Military Territorial Command of Rome will forward data for approval.

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Subject: Output - Mechanical workshops.

LAND FORCES SUB COM. A.C.
(M.V.I.A.)
ROME.

Q.004

24 Sept 46

TO : Ministry of War.

1. From reports received over the past 8 months it is observed that the output from the Repair Units in Territorial Commands, has not appreciably increased and has in some instances fallen to a lower level. It is realised that this lack of progress is largely due to circumstances outside your control such as the lack of spare parts and the general deterioration in the condition of vehicles, but it is felt, and I am sure you will agree, that some factors within your control need more fully investigating. The following three matters are therefore brought to your notice.

2. Firstly, the general administration and routine in the workshops of these Repair Units would seem to be very much centralised and complicated. This results in Commanding Officers being compelled to spend too much time at their desks or dealing with administrative matters not directly concerned with the repair of vehicles. It is suggested, therefore, that greater responsibility should be granted to the officers in charge of sections e.g. "Direttori di Officine" and the "Capit Sezioni", provided their activities are co-ordinated by the Commanding Officers.

3. Secondly, on the question of spending money allocated to the various repair units, I am informed that the amounts available vary very considerably from time to time and do not always correspond to the actual needs of the various Units. It has also been suggested, although this may not be the case, that money allocated for the purchase of spare parts is occasionally either not used at all, or not used in the best way. You will realise that stocks of essential spare parts in repair units, rather than in factories, are essential if any progress is to be made in the reconditioning of the many unserviceable vehicles which still exist.

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Re, 9/10/46

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and lead to more efficient work.

5. I should be glad to have your comments on the above questions and also to have the opportunity of discussing the various detailed aspects of them with the Inspector of Motorisation at the War Ministry, who no doubt has been informed by his Vice Inspector of certain aspects of these matters.

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M. M. I. A.

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Major General
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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A. R O M E.
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10 Sept 46

To :- "Q"

M E M O

Ref. your Q 002 of 5 Sept. 46.

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Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering.
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Land Forces Sub Commission AG.,
N.M.I.A.
R.O.M.E.
Q.002

5 September 1946

TO : OED
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MEMO:

AFHQ Directive of 3 Dec 45 to Commander Land Forces S/C (NMIA)

1. Para 16 of above reads as follows :

" You will assist the Italian Ministry of War to introduce into the Italian Army a system of Unit accounting and individual responsibility for stores similar to that in the British Army ".

2. Please submit briefly your comments on what has and what can be done to carry out the above direction.

RAC/cw.

RAC

R. A. CURTIS, Lt. Col.,
for Major General,
N.M.I.A.

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TRANSLATION

From:- Ministry of War

Ref No: 3978/Ord/II

To:- Palermo Military Territorial HQ.
MMIA for information
(ref your letter ME/21/63 dated
17 July 46)

Date: 6 August 46

Subject:- M.T. Service Units - 11th M.T. Repair detachment.

Further to circular 3020/Ord/II dated 6 June 46.

Further to enclosure 15 of the above circular, the 11th M.T. Repair Detachment stationed at SYRACUSE will be formed at CATANIA.

We confirm that personnel for the Detachment will be drawn from W.E. allocated for the M.T. Repair Unit.

sgd. LIUZZI
Gen

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6068 Regd
9th Aug

PA/di

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
STATO MAGGIORE ESERCITO
Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilitazione

N. 3978/Ord./II di prot.

OGGETTO: Enti del servizio della motorizzazione - Distaccamento

Roma, 6 Agosto 1946
dell'11° reparto riparazioni auto. -

AL COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE di
(rif. suo f. n. 5379/02 del 5 luglio 1946)
e, per conoscenza:

PALERMO

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (MIA)
(rif. suo ME/21/63 del 17 luglio 1946)
AL GA B I N E T T O

R O M A

ALLA DIREZ. GEN. DI ARTIGL. E MOTORIZZAZIONE
(rif. suo f. 50410/DG del 29.7.1946)
AI COMANDI MILITARI TERRITORIALI (rimanenti)

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ALLE DIREZIONI GENERALI, ISPELTIORATI ED
UFFICI AUTONOMI DEL MINISTERO GUERRA
AGLI UFFICI DELLO S.M.E.

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Seguito circolare n. 3020/Ord./II del 6 giugno 1946.

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IL GENERALE ADDETTO
Giorgio Liuzzi

P. C. C.

UFFICIO CAPO

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P. C. C.
COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
EXP. Piacentini



Piacentini		TRANSMISSION	
IN	1215	OUT	1200
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*transmission
Piacentini
6/8*

Subject :- Major Repairs to Equipment and Assemblies
of Allied Manufacture.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(L.F.L.A.)
R G M N.
MR/21/65

23 July 46

see 71

TO :- Ministry of War. (2)

1. With the commencement of major overhauls to M1 at QARS BOLCONA, and the anticipated use of PIACENZA and GALLONE VAL TROMPA for the major overhaul of Artillery and Small Arms of Allied make, it is suggested for your consideration that a system be introduced whereby repaired equipments or assemblies are marked in such a manner, that the establishment effecting the repair can be identified.

2. Whilst such a system can be introduced with little trouble into the Arsenals, Small Arms Factories, QARS, and other organisations under your control, it is also highly desirable that civilian contractors carrying out major overhauls to such equipment on your behalf, should also adopt the same procedure.

3. The main benefit to be derived is that in the event of unexpected failures etc, due either to poor materials or faulty workmanship, the establishment concerned can easily be identified, and if suitable technical records are maintained, modification can be made to correct these factors.

4. As a guide to the markings etc, which could be used, we give below a brief outline of general requirements.

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All spare parts manufactured and fitted to Artillery of Allied make

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(b) Artillery.

All spare parts manufactured and fitted to Artillery of Allied make when undergoing major overhaul at PLYMOUTH Arsenal, should be stamped with a suitable marking for the reason outlined in para (3) above. In addition an identification plate should be fitted to the complete weapon at some convenient place on the carriage.

(c) Small Arms.

In the case of Small Arms it is suggested that the name of the FIRM carrying out the overhaul and repair should be stamped on the butt of the weapon. All spare parts manufactured and fitted to

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weapons of Allied make, should, where practicable, be stamped with a suitable identification marking.

5. When final arrangements have been completed for the base repair of wireles and Signal equipment in an Italian Base Workshop this same system with modifications could also be adopted to assist in technical control and suitability of materials used for the repair of such equipment.

AB

A. BLUNT, Lt. Col.,
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering,
M.M.I.A.

AB/aw

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SUBJECT :- Detachment of 11 Repair Unit.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
ME/21/64

22 July 46

To :- MINISTRY OF WAR.

Ref this office letter ME/21/63 dated 17 July '46.

1. It is regretted that a copy of letter to 11 B.L.U. ref. ME/21/63 dated 17 July '46 was not enclosed. Please find requested copy herewith.

W.J. Franklin
W.J. FRANKLIN, Major
DADME
for Lt-Col
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering
M.M.I.A.
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MT/ag

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*Rec'd
22 July*

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SUBJECT :- Detachment of 11th Repair Unit.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
ME/21/53

17 July 46

To :- 11 British Liaison Unit, CMF.

Confirming telephonic conversation (DAA & QMG-DADME, MMIA).

1. It is understood that the Director of Repairs 11 Territorial Command desires to site the Detachment of 11 Repair Unit at CATANIA instead of the original location at SYRACUSA, as owing to a regrouping of Units, the site at Catania will enable the Detachment to carry out efficiently and move economically a greater volume of work.
2. In order to obtain the necessary approval, however, it is suggested that the Director of Repairs and Commander of 11 Territorial Command, jointly submit their proposals to the Ministry of War.

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for W.J. FRANKLIN, Major,
DADME
for Lt Col
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering
M.M.I.A.

WJF/ag
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Copy to:- Ministry of War - for info - your 5367/2-C.A.
dated 11 May 46 refers. 015623

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18 July

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File (62)

SUBJECT :- Detachment of 11th Repair Unit.

see 6A

Land Forces Sph Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
ME/21/52

17 July 46

TO :- The Ministry of War.
(Direzione Generale Artilleria e Motorizzazione)

For the attention of Colonnello BALANZINO.

1. Attached please find a copy of a letter addressed to 11 British Liaison Unit for your information, and whatever action you may deem necessary.

JCh

J.W.J. FRANKLIN, Major,
DADMC,
for Lt.Col.
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering, MMIA.

WJF/aw

cc Ref 18 July

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REF ID : FRIEDMAN 254

SUBJECT : Rpt for ITALIAN Army

TO : 'Q'

COPY TO : GND

Land Forces Sub Commander, AF (MIA),
(ref visit Lt-Col MOLAN 26 June 46)C(MD) Branch,
CHM CPT.

RSD/81/3A

29 June 46

1. MIA's final demands for misc Ttg cmt, etc. are set out in the enclosed document (Col 7).
Certain serials have been deleted by agreement with MIA - these are serials 1-26, 36 and 948.
2. Certain serials are required urgently by MIA for mechanics courses to be run at their Central Military Schools - these are given at Appx 'A'.
Certain other serials are required (after those in Appx 'A') more urgently than the remainder - these are given at Appx 'B'.
3. MIA's list of suggested squares for maint of this cmt is attached for 'Q' (only one copy received from MIA).
4. Will you please meet MIA's requirements as far as possible.
5. For MIA.

(a) The last two pages of your list (new serials Nos. 1 - 27) have not been forwarded to our 'Q' or GND.
Serial 14 has been added to main list as Serial 944.
Serial 16 duplicates serial 949 of main list.

(b) Appx 'A' is Appx 'A' to your SD/109/4 of 7 June.

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Enclosures

for 'Q' - (1 copy of list and Appx 'A' and 'B')
(1 copy of list of suggested squares.

for GND - (2 copies of list and Appx 'A' and 'B')
(1 copy of detailed parts list for serials 927, 929, 930.

for MIA - 2 copies of Appx 'B'

M. V. M. MACLEOD,
Major General,
Chief of General Staff.

Appx 'B' 60-8/3A
of 29 June 46.

LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS IS BEING FOR CENTRAL
MILITARY SCHOOLS AS BEING PRIORITY AFTER THEM

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3. MIA's list of suggested spaces for print of this copy is attached for 'Q' (only one copy received from MIA).
 4. Will you please meet MIA's requirements as far as possible.
 5. For MIA.
- (a) The last two pages of your list (new serials Nos. 1 - 27) have not been forwarded to our 'Q' or Ord. Serial 11 has been added to main list as Serial 941. Serial 16 duplicates serial 949 of main list.
- (b) Appx 'A' is Appx 'A' to your CD/109/1 of 7 June.

H. W. N. MACLEOD,
Major General,
Chief of General Staff.

WIT/MD

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- for ORD - { 2 copies of list and Appx 'A' and 'B'
1 copy of detailed parts list for serials 927, 929, 930.
- for MIA - 2 copies of Appx 'B'

Appx 'B' 60/8/31/3A
of 29 June 1966.

LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS REQUIRED FOR GENERAL
MILITARY SCHOOLS AS SECOND PRIORITY AFTER THOSE
LISTED IN APPX 'A'

28
32
35
75
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87 - 92
949
927 - 941

*Copy
of
MIA's
list*

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4 BLU BOLZANO HQ BTA

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B T A OFFER ONE TRAILER WORKSHOP 4 WILD CLASS
2 (.) ARRANGE WITH 4 C O M I L I T E R TO COLLECT (.)
FOR B T A (.) REQUEST PERMISSION COLLECT AND INFORMATION
TO 4 BLU AS TO PRESENT LOCATION

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~~INTERNAL~~ ROUTINE

INTERNAL:

REME

G. BRANCH.
E.F. BYATT, MAJOR*Myan**60590*
22nd July
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785020

Subject: Unessential Work.To: Director of Repairs
4 Territorial CommandCopy to: ADM, HQ M.M.L.A., Rome;
Copy to: C.O. 4 B.L.U.

Headquarters

4 B.L.U.

Bolzano

Ref: 4/ME/33-9

3rd June 1945.

1. During my tour of the Workshops in your Command I have thought that a considerable amount of material and labour is being wasted on painting and upholstery.

2. Should you agree that this is so, attached is a suggested draft which you could circulate to all Workshops.

Enclos.

C. W. H. T.
Capt.
C.O. 4 B.L.U.

TRADUZIONEOggetto: lavoro inutile

Comando 4° B.L.U.
BOLZANO
Rif: 4/ME/33-9

Al Direttore della Riparato
4° Comando Territoriale

1. Durante le mie visite alle Officine di cotesto Comando ho notato che una notevole quantità di materiale e di lavoro è speso in lavori di pittura e di carrozzeria.

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Cap.

S.O. REME 4 B.L.U.

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Ref
28 June

Subject: - Unessential Work.To All W/shops & Territorial Command.

1. During my visit to the W/shops in this Command it has been noted that vehicles, usually cars have been painted to a degree which equal the maker's finish in various high colours.
2. It is pointed out that these vehicles are military and should be painted in a uniform military colour.
3. Further a far greater period is being spent on painting than is necessary. A military vehicle is a utility vehicle and not a luxury; therefore scraping of the bodywork, and undercoats of paint should not be undertaken.
4. The object of painting military vehicles is to prevent rust, deterioration and provide camouflage, any further addition to this is a waste of paint and man-power.
5. It has further been noted that number of cars have been completely upholstered. This is again an unnecessary luxury and a further waste of man-power. Patches are sufficient in most cases and complete upholstery should not be undertaken except in special cases as for example the car of the General of the Command etc.

Translation.Oggetto: Lavoro non essenziale.A Tutte le Officine Automobilistiche del 4o Comando Militare Territoriale.

- 1) Durante la mia visita alle officine di questo Comando ho notato che tutti gli automezzi, normalmente autovetture, sono state dipinte con vari colori in un modo che può essere equiparato a quello di vetture appena uscite dalla fabbrica.
- 2) Si rammenta che tali veicoli sono militari e devono di conseguenza essere dipinti con un colore uniforme di caratteristica militare.
- 3) Viene spesso moltissimo tempo nel dipingere gli automezzi in un modo che non è assolutamente necessario. Un automezzo militare è un automezzo utilitario e non un lusso; di conseguenza la pittura della carrozzeria non deve essere lussuata, e non devono essere intrapresi lavori di seconda verniciatura.
- 4) Lo scopo per il quale gli automezzi militari vengono dipinti

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4) Lo scopo per il quale gli automezzi militari vengono dipinti è quello di prevenire la ruggine, il deterioramento, e di fornirli di un'adeguata manutenzione. Ogni altro lavoro rappresenta una perdita di materiale e di mano d'opera.

5) È stato notato inoltre che un certo numero di automezzi è stato completamente tappezzato. Anche ciò è un lusso non necessario oltre al rappresentare un ulteriore scempio di mano d'opera. Pezzo alla tappezzeria sono spesso più che sufficienti. Di conseguenza le macchine non dovranno essere tappezzate completamente se non in casi speciali come per esempio la macchina del Generale Comandante ecc.

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Subject:- Transport - Infantry School.

Land Forces Sub Comd. A.S.
(M.A.I.A.)

A.O.M.H.
C.004

20 June 46.

To :- 12 B.L.S.

Ref. your A.L/17/1542 dated 3 May 46.

1. In order to help out on the condition of the MT in the school, the Ministry of War have decided to allot a light w/shop to the school.

2. In the meantime the Ministry of War are looking into the question of the MT and availability of vehicles.

[Signature]
B.F. BYATT, Major,
for Major General;
M.A.I.A.

Copy to:- RSM
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EEF/ab

Recd. 60
21st June.

SUBJECT: INSPECTION OF ITALIAN MILITARY SCHOOLS

11 E/21

LAND FORCES SUB COM AD (LOWL)

TEL EXT 476

TRG/62

7 Jun 46

TO: 12 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT to the
ITALIAN CENTRAL MILITARY SCHOOLS.

Ref this H.Q. letter TRG/62 of 31 May 46.

1. Owing to MAJ CHRISTIE'S departure for UDINE on 9 May it is regretted that the programme given in a/m letter must be cancelled.
2. Arrangements will be made for an inspection to take place at a later date, and the programme notified to you in due course.

Internal : S.O.R.E.
S.O.R.SIGS II
S.A.T.
R.E.M.E.

FILE TRG/26.

RPO/jo.

T. Williams
Major-General
H. M. I. A.

Reg 7/6/46 58

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UNIT	NAME OF PERSONNEL	LOCATION	TYPE	STATUS FIELD
1 SUU	OFFICINE Mobili Division Inf. Div.	Venezia Reale (Turin)	Div. Whores	MT Whores
"	LAD 21 Inf. Regt.	Asch	LAD	"
"	LAD 22 Inf. Regt.	Vercelli	"	"
"	LAD 7 Arty. Regt.	Rudin	"	"
"	LAD 7 Arty. Regt.	Turin	"	"
"	LAD 144 Genio Bn.	Venezia Reale (Turin)	"	"
"	LAD 144 Genio Bn.	"	"	"
"	1 Reporto International	Turin	2nd. Wh. Whores	(INT)
"	1 G.T. Coy	"	LAD	"
"	25 G.T. Coy	"	"	"
+ Equivalent also to L.A.D.				
2 SUU	OFFICINE Mobili (Mantova Inf. Div.) LAD 76 Inf. Regt.	Cagliari	Div. Whores	MT Whores
"	LAD 144 Inf. Regt.	Savona	LAD	"
"	LAD 155 Arty. Regt.	Chiavari	"	"
"	LAD 155 Arty. Regt.	Piacenza	"	"
"	LAD 104 Genio Bn.	Piacenza	"	"
"	LAD 104 Genio Bn.	Cagliari	"	"
"	3 G.T. Coy	Cagliari	"	"
"	2 G.T. Coy	Albenga	"	"
"	2 Reporto International	Genova	LAD +	No Whores
"	2 Reporto International	Genova	LAD +	MT. Whores (INT)
+ Equivalent also to L.A.D.				
3 SUU	5 Reporto International	Milan		MT. Whores
"	13 "	Piacenza		"
"	7 Equivalent Vch. Unit	Piacenza		"

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		2nd. Ech. Weapons		(ITI)
"	"	LAD	"	"
"	"	"	"	"
+ Equivalent also to L.A.D.				
2 DIV	Offshore Mobile (Maritima Inf. Div.) LAD 76 Inf. Reg.	Cagliari	Div. Weapons	MT. Spares
"	"	Ravenna	LAD	"
"	LAD 144 Inf. Regt.	Chiavari	"	"
"	LAD 155 Art. Regt.	Piacenza	"	"
"	LAD 155 Art. Regt.	Piacenza	"	"
"	LAD 104 Genio Bn.	Cagliari	"	"
"	LAD 104 Genio Bn.	Cagliari	"	"
"	3 C.T. Coy	Albenga	"	"
"	2 C.T. Coy	Genova	LAD +	No Spares
"	2 Supporto Invernamento	Genova	LAD +	MT. Spares (ITI)
+ Equivalent also to L.A.D.				
3 DIV	3 Supporto Invernamento	Milano		MT. Spares
"	15 " "	Piacenza		"
"	7 Efficient Veh. Park	Piacenza	E.V.P.	" & MT. Veh.
"	25 Recovery Unit		Recovery	Non return of ITI & GENIUM orig.
4 DIV	4 Field Park	Aschieri		MT. Spares
4 DIV	4 MT. Workshops	Polzano		"
"	16 " "	Verona		"
"	24 Recovery Section	Vicenza	Recovery	"
"	6 Efficient Veh. Park	Trento	E.V.P.	Efficient Vehicles, Reg. to J. J. J.

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NO	NAME OF WORKSHOP	LOCATION	TYPE	STATUS INFO
5 RUH	5 M.T. Repair Unit	Bardiano	Motor Repair & Spares Shops LAD	MT Spares, typists tools.
"	4 Light w/s	Comar UPRIME		
6 RUH	Offshore Automobiles R.A. (GARU)	Via S. Vitale Bologna	Auto Workshops	MT Spares
"	6 Bergamo Hipermercado Auto	Viale Ramazzotti 10 Veh. Repairs Bologna		
"	6 Efficient Veh. Park	Magg. Volpe Via S. Vitale Bologna	R.V.P.	MT Veh. for "B" Reparto
"	2. Police Vehicle Park	Via S. Felice	R.V.P.	MT Veh. for GARU
7 RUH	7 Repair Unit	Porto di Reno		2nd. line repairs
"	Poligono M.M. Vehicles	Corvettole Via Firenze		3rd " "
"	Poligono M.M. w/s Platona	Florence	LAD	3rd " "
8 RUH	8 Repair Unit	Reno		MT Spares M.P.
"	14 Repair Unit	Abbasanta		" " "
"	8 Light Workshops	Reno		" " "
"	14 Light Workshops	Cagliari		" " "
9 RUH	9 Repair Unit	Bard		MT Spares.
10 RUH			Not received yet	
11 RUH	11 M.T. Repair Unit	Palermo (De Maria Str.) Via "Campale Cantore" Messina-Catania		MT
	MT Repair Section o/c			MT

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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**A UNIT
B BATTLE UNIT**

4.2. Treatment units

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DATE OF DEPOSIT 6

Not received yet

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Mr. Harold Section 2/6
1267 Directorate

Palazzo (De Maria, Inc.)
Via Centrale Cantaro
Messina-Cantaro

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

BU.	NAME OF GROUP	AREA	STATION INFO
1 BU	Reg. Ventilario e Equipaggiamento 1 Reg. Command	Via Ottavio Rossi 11 Rome	ALL clothing for THE ARMY, Infante, C.M., Alpini, etc. A C.M. Materials for the manufacture of uniforms. Personal equip. & clothing stores.
2 BU	Reg. Ventilario e Equipaggiamento 1 Reg. Command	Casino Flaminio 6 Rome	Personal clothing & equipment for Inf. Div. Now holds stores of all kind, clothing & equip. in addition clothing, sewing, equip. command, and barracks stores.
3 BU	Clothing Factory	Rome	Materials for manufacture of personal clothing
3 BU	3 Cloth. & Equip. w/sps (incl. 3 Milan Milk Co. 3 Control Equip. etc. 3 Equip. Sub Depot)	Milan	Clothing, equipment and barracks room furniture
4 BU	Cloth. Repair Factory	Rome	Manufacture & repair of clothing
4 BU	Clothing Store	Palermo	Under construction
5 BU	5 Manufacturing & Recovery	Avignone, France. Via Aquilata, 10000	Outfitting & tailoring, shoes, etc. sorting of clothing & equipment
5 BU	5 " " "	Via Marignani 17 Paris	Textile Recovery & Dress Store clothing and equipment
5 BU	DELCO. Gas Depot		Clothing and equipment
6 BU	6 Deposito Spciale Ventilario Misto	Rome Piazza	Clothing and equipment of all types
7 BU	Clothing and Equip. Stores (with repair shop)	Portofino da Roma	Clothing and equipment
7 BU	7 Bulk Barracks Store.	Flaminio	Barracks Stores
7 BU	7 Repair Shop	Piazza del Cav. Ponzonovo " " " " " " " "	Cloth. Manufacturing and Repair Belongs
7 BU	7 Salvage Depot	" " " " " " " "	Clothing and equipment
7 BU	Poligono Clothing & Equipment Store	Poligono del Cav. Ponzonovo	
8 BU	8 Main Barracks Store	Rome	Accession stores 6052
8 BU	14 " "	Capitani	Accession stores
8 BU	Central Cloth. Equip.	Rome	Repaired clothing for re issue
8 BU	14 " "	Capitani	Repaired clothing for re issue
8 BU	Main Cloth. & Equip. Sp	Rome	Clothing and equipment
8 BU	" " "	Capitani	Clothing and equipment
9 BU	9 Cloth. & Equip. Depot	Rome	Clothing and equipment

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Clothing, Equipment and Furniture					
4	ELU	(Invol. 3 Miles) Sale of 3 Central Equip. Bto. 3 Repair Shop Depot	Spain	Manufacture & Repair of Clothing	Under Garmentation
4	ELU	Clothing Stores	Salerno		
5	ELU	5 Manufacturing & R. Recovery	Barcelona Bto. Via Agallia, 17 Via Marquies 17 Eliso	Outfitting & Tailoring, Manufacture Repair of clothing & equipment Retail Recovery & Junk Store Clothing and Equipment Clothing and Equipment	
5	ELU	5 " " "			
5	ELU	ELU. Sub Depot			
6	ELU	6 Deposito de Equip. Vestuario Bto.	Spain Bto. El Corra Bto. "	Clothing and Equipment of all types	
7	ELU	Clothing and Equipment Stores (with repair shop)	Barcelona de Bto.	Clothing and Equipment	
7	ELU	7 Bto. Bto. Bto. Bto. Repair Shop	Barcelona Bto. de San Francisco " " " " " " " "	Survival Stores Clothing, Manufacturing and Repair Bto. Bto.	
7	ELU	7 Salvage Depot	Barcelona Bto. Bto.		
7	ELU	7 Salvage Clothing & Equipment Stores	Barcelona Bto. Bto.		
8	ELU	8 Main Bto. Bto. Bto.	Barcelona	Accommodation Stores Accommodation Stores Required clothing for no issue Required clothing for no issue Clothing and Equipment Clothing and Equipment	
8	ELU	8 Central Cloth. Equip.	Barcelona		
8	ELU	8 " " "	Barcelona		
8	ELU	8 Main Cloth. Equip. Bto.	Barcelona		
8	ELU	8 " " "	Barcelona		
8	ELU	8 " " "	Barcelona		
9	ELU	9 Cloth. Equip. Depot	Barcelona	Clothing and Equipment Clothing	
9	ELU	9 Salvage Clothing	Barcelona		
10	ELU		" " " " " " " "		
11	ELU	11 Army Clothing Bto.	Barcelona Bto. Bto. Barcelona Bto. Bto.	Under Garmentation, Cap, Bto. Bto., Bto. Under Garmentation, Bto. Bto. Bto. Bto. Under Garmentation	
12	ELU	12 V. Bto. Stores	Barcelona	Clothing	

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M.T. SPARES STORES

BU	NAME OF STORE	LOCATION	TYPE	STORAGE USED
1 BU	Parco Madio A.S.A. Div. Part. "Omnibus"	Veneria Beale (Carolina Artigli.)		Normal M. Spares for Allied Vehicle in A.P.P.
2 BU		NIL KNOWN		
3 BU	5 Spares Parts Store	MILAN		M.T. Spares
4 BU		NIL KNOWN		
5 BU	5 M.T. Repair Unit	Parigi		M.T. Spares
6 BU	6 Spares Parts Store Field Park	Viale Venezia 10 Bologna		M.T. Spares (M.T.)
7 BU	MOLCONE Carb. Field Park	Coverciano Rms Florence		M.T. Spares
8 BU	2 M.T. Spares Depot	Rome		M.T. Spares
9 BU		NIL KNOWN		
10 BU		NIL KNOWN		
11 BU	M.T. Spares Part of 11 M.T. Repair Unit	Palermo Caserma De Maria Via Generale Cantore		M.T. Spares (M.T.)
12 BU		NIL KNOWN		

ARTILLERY SITES AND REAR STOPS

BLU	NAME OF SITE	LOCATION	OTHER INFO
1 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
2 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
3 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
4 BLU	Division Artillery	Vietnam	Indochina, Laos, Cambodia & spare parts for Artillery
4 BLU	Division Stacc. Artillery	Poland	
4 BLU 5666	Supply & Transport Sect.	Europe	Indochina
5 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
6 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
7 BLU	Area Stacc (with Repair Shop)	Fortress de Basse Florence	Asia
8 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
9 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
10 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
11 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	
12 BLU		~ MIL. STATION ~	

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Subject: - Vehicles B.L.R.

for OFFICE

Headquarters

4 B.L.U.

B o l z a n o

Ref.: - 4/ME/24-13

29 May 1946

To: - O.C.

Friuli Inf Div W/Shop.

Rem.

It is requested that the attached proforma be compiled showing the position as at the 4 June 1946 and forwarded not later than 5 June 1946 to this office for onward transmission to MILA Rome.

Copy to: ADRES

MILA Rome

Capt

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Detention Automezzi B.L.R.

Comando

4 B.L.U.

No. 4/ME/24-13

29 May 1946

Al Comandante

l'officina mobile

della Divisione di Fanteria Friuli.

Si prega di compilare lo specchio allegato tenente a mostrare la situazione degli automezzi alla data 4 Giugno 1946. Tale specchio dovrà essere inviato in questo ufficio non più tardi del 5 Giugno. *GC 49*

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7669Caratteri Automezzi B.L.R.Comando
4 B.L.R.
No. 4/12/24-13

29 May 1946

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Capitano
SO HEME & BUJ.

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Position as at 4 June 1946
Situazione al 4 Giugno 1946

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Numero degli automezzi B.L.R.

No of engines B.L.R. not including those shown in Part A (in magazine)
Numero motori B.L.R. senza queste dell'A.

Dodge	Bedford	Other makes of vehicles Altre marche di autoveicoli	Motorcycles Motociclette	Dodge engines Motori Dodge	Bedford engines Motori Bedford
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Position as at 4 June 1946
Situazione al 4 Giugno 1946

P A R T A

No of vehicles B.L.R.
Numero degli automezzi B.L.R.

P a r t B

No of engines B.L.R. not including
those shown in Part A (in magazine)
Numero motori B.L.R. senza queste
dell'A.

Bedford

Other makes of
vehicles
Altre marche di
automezzi

Motorcycles
Motociclette

Dodge engines
Motori Dodge

Bedford engines
Motori Bedford

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SUBJECT : Inspection of Italian Military Schools.

LAND FORCES SUB COM, AO(MMLA)
TEL: 489081 Ex 476.

TRG/62

31 May 46.

TO : 12 British Liaison Unit to the
Italian Central Military Schools

The G.II (Schools) of this HQ will inspect the military schools in accordance with the following programme.

Monday	10th June	0930 <u>Infantry School.</u> 1100 <u>P.T. School.</u>
Wednesday	12th June	1030 <u>Engineers School.</u> 1400 <u>School of Tactics.</u> ~ 1530 <u>Artillery Repair Training Centre.</u>
Friday	14th June	0930 <u>Signals School.</u> ~ 1430 <u>Motorisation"</u>
Saturday	15th June	0915 <u>Police School.</u> 1030 <u>Armoured Car School.</u>
Tuesday	18th June	1000 <u>School of Artillery.</u>
Thursday	30th June	1100 <u>Welfare and Admin. School.</u>

Internal : S.O.R.E.
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Major-General
M. M. I. A.

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See File 45

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*Regt
31 May*

SUBJECT :- Staghound Armoured Cars.

12 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
for the
ITALIAN CENTRAL MILITARY SCHOOLS
(Tel : ROME 478808)

Ref : G/G.23/1122

23 May 1946

To: H.Q.,
Land Forces Sub Comm
A. C. (H. M. I. A.)

In reply to the queries contained in your signal ME/21/27 dated 16 May '46, the following information is given by D.A.D.M.E.

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3. An Armoured Car has been sent to the Centro Studio where a civilian expert will instruct in maintenance.
4. 155 Workshops had no trained personnel of this type of work and none are being attached to the School.

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Major, N.Staffs,
Comd. 12 British Liaison Unit for the
Italian Central Military Schools

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Comd. 12 British Liaison Unit for the
Italian Central Military Schools

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Per 1/2

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Translation

From M. of W.

To S.M.A.E.

for info M.M.I.A.

Ref. 5367/2/C/N

Date 11/3/46

Subject II° Repair Unit. *for info* (19) (20)

Further to letter 4486/2CA/OI5624 dated 15 April 1946 and the exchange of ideas with your S.M., this Directorate General, agreeing with M.M.I.A., suggests that the II° Repair Unit be brought up to I° class W/E and form a detachment with workshop at Syracuse, for the repair of vehicles belonging to units located at Catania and in South East Sicily.

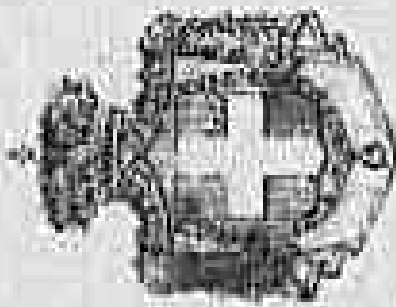
We would point out however that it will not be possible to cover the II° Repair Unit W/E with military trademen, the absolute deficiency of the a/m personnel being known and that therefore, until the posting of trademen from the M.T. School has commenced, full use of civilian man power will have to be made, unless we want to draw military trademen from other repair units which have a surplus of civilian personnel.

We await the decisions of your S.M.

DAK

P.G. Properzj.

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21 May



Ministero della Guerra
DIREZIONE GENERALE
ARTIGLIERIA E MOTORIZZAZIONE
Div. corpo automobilistico

Divisione

*Aut. 15536/1.64. Allegati
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OGGETTO 11° reparto riparazioni.-



e, per conoscenza:

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

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO-Ufficio Servizi

= R O M A =

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A seguito del foglio n° 4486/2CA/015624 in data 15 aprile c.a. e dello scambio di idee avuto con codesto S.M., questa Direzione Generale, concordando con la M.M.I.A., propone che l'11° reparto riparazioni venga portato all'organico di 1° classe e che costituisca un suo distaccamento con officina a Siracusa, per le riparazioni degli autoveicoli dei reparti dislocati a Catania e nella Sicilia Sud-orientale.

Si fa solo osservare che non sarà possibile coprire l'organico dell'11° reparto riparazioni con personale specializzato militare di cui è nota la situazione assolutamente deficitaria e che pertanto, finchè non avrà inizio il flusso di operai provenienti dalla Scuola della Motorizzazione, bisognerà assolutamente ricorrere alla mano d'opera civile, a meno che non si vogliano trarre gli operai militari da altri reparti riparazioni che hanno esuberanza di personale civile.

Si rimane in attesa di conoscere le decisioni di codesto Stato Maggiore.-

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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data 16/5

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ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO
-Ufficio Ordinamento e Mobilit.-

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*Risposta al Foglio del
Dir. 15536/1.64. 1.2*

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Aut. 15336/2 CA. Allegato
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Risposta al Segretario
Dir. ...

OGGETTO 11° reparto riparazioni.-
Rem.

e, per conoscenza:
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IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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Subject: British Vehicles Central
Military Schools.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R.O.M.
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18 May 46.

To: MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. You are referred to Para 3 of our 30/10/45 dated 2 May 46 addressed to 12 MLU copy to you.
2. In view of the steadily decreasing facilities for repair and maintenance of British vehicles, and the special functions of the Central Military Schools, it is considered that British vehicles held by the Schools should be withdrawn forthwith and substituted by similar vehicles of Italian make.
3. You are requested to consider this suggestion and in the absence of any obstacles, to make arrangements for the allocation of British Vehicles from the Schools to Inf. Divs and their substitution by suitable Italian vehicles.
4. Please inform this HQ of your action in the matter.

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A.W.E. BYRNE, Major,
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to: RHEM
12 MLU
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FOR INFO (.) CAN YOU NOW CONFIRM THAT SUFFICIENT DRIN PERSONNEL
OF TRG INOR AND IT PERSONNEL OF ARMD CAR SCHOOL ARE FAMILIAR
WITH UNIT ADJUSTMENTS, REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OF STATIONED
ARMD CARS (.) ARE TRAINED PERSONNEL IN 155 VEH REPAIR WORKS
BEING ATTACHED TO THE ARMD CAR SCHOOL

ROUTINE
RMR

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Lt. Col. A. BLUNT

A. D. 1964

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17 May

SUBJECT: No. 8 Repair Unit, R O N B.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.O.
(M.A.L.A.) A O M B
MH/21/24

13 May 1946

Ministry of War

1. A visit to the above was carried out by D.A.A. & G.M.O.,
8 B.L.U., Major R. DOWNING accompanied by Major W.J. PHARELIN
of this office on 10 May. The object of this visit was to study
the standards of workmanship and the methods employed for ensuring
adequate skilled inspection of completed work.

2. The opinion was formed that technical control by qualified
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regards control of the engine repair shop and the final inspection
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Copy to: 'Q'

8 B.L.U.
Spares (2)

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Lt. Col.
A. D. M. M.
M. D. M. M.

For Mr. M. M. M. M.

REMARKS: - Inspected Attached Cars.

12 THIRTEEN AMERICAN TRUCK
for the
EASTERN THIRTEEN AMERICAN TRUCKS
(Total: 12000 65000/5)

Ref: RHEV/-

23 April 1946.

To: Commander,
12 American Truck Unit.

Commander, Central Military School,
Cantonment, Automobile Division,
East African Air Corps (EAC).

1. On the morning of 18 April I visited the American Truck Unit and found that the mechanical crew of the vehicles for the competent hands of an excellent management in the Vehicle Division. It is extremely well taught in the shop and its maintenance and in doing extremely well.

2. As a result of my visit the American Truck Unit has been notified.

3. I found that certain vehicles are V.O.P., because British goods of lubricating oils will not remain in the transfer cases during operation, but is passed out via the bearing.

Will you please note that the vehicle's quality American goods oils for these vehicles - USA specification 2 - 400 - and only this specified oil should be observed and used.

It is known, however, that British goods (V.O.P.) and 100 will work quite well as substitutes in the transfer cases and gear boxes.

4. When vehicles will not engage forward gears, this is due to the gear boxes being out of adjustment through wear. Correct adjustment can be obtained only in conjunction with a special gauge, and should not be attempted without this gauge.

A temporary and emergency adjustment can be made without the gauge and without removing the sides of the gearboxes and this has been carried out at two vehicles, but should be regarded solely as an expedient of the "get 'em back" variety.

5. Surveys of these units and management policies of them. 60000
known defect on these vehicles, and it is desirable to maintain a fleet of
these trucks - 60000 say 6 per vehicle - of trucks and more in the field.
These can be maintained locally to a degree.

and is usually of the variety being imported in new boxes, encased.

2. I found that certain ingredients are V.I.P.'s. Because Italian imported ingredients only will not appear in the menu, no ones buying options that, but in served out via the bar.

will you please note that the interim estimate for the 1977-78 season is being revised. The Department is still in the process of collecting data on the 1977-78 season and will be able to provide a final estimate by the end of the year. The Department is still in the process of collecting data on the 1977-78 season and will be able to provide a final estimate by the end of the year.

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A tongue and groove adjustment can be made without the gauge and without removing the sides of the grooves and this has been considered out of the way of Solov, but should be regarded solely as an improvement of the "pat. for beam" variety.

5. The issue of dual pricing and consequent collapse of wheat is a known defect in these vehicles, and it is advisable to submit a separate large note - ideally say 6 per volume - of wheat and this in the last 11.11.1940. There can be manufactured locally to pattern.

Arthur Schopenhauer

12 British Legion Unit for the
Veteran Content Ministry Awards
2, 1963-64
12 for 1963-64

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SUBJECT: Motor Vehicle - Maintenance

SK/1705

22 Apr 46Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MCA)
RCMB
Ref: Memo A-1001 Dtd 146TO: M.H.A. Vehicle MaintenanceCopy to: 12 REG REP SK

1. The present lack of motor vehicles for the use of the Training and Maintenance wing of the School of Motorization gives cause for serious concern.
2. A total of 248 motor vehicles and 100 motor cycles is required for driving instruction. Of this total only 90 efficient motor vehicles and 7 efficient motor cycles were held on 18 April. Inefficient motor vehicles held totalled 152 and inefficient motor cycles totalled 18.
3. As outlined by this branch with Col Allen it is considered essential that special steps be taken to remedy the state of affairs indicated above so that the School will be in a position to commence training 1600 men by 1st May, 46.

Seen
at Ch. 23 AprilL. Hardie

HFD/og

Lt. Col. A.C. (MCA)
Land Forces Sub Com A.C. (MCA)Internal: 1st Training.
RCMB.

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13/4/46

SUBJECT: M.T. Workshops in Sicily.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E
ME/21/20
18 April 1946

Dir. Gen. of Motorisation & Artillery,
Ministry of War.

Reference your letter 4486/2CA dated 15 April 1946.

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However it is not clear whether this detachment will be provided from (a) the existing W.E. of the Repair Unit or (b) from an increased W.E. as suggested in Para 2 of this office letter ME/21 dated 21 March 46. Will you please clarify this point?

2. A copy of your letter 060/154/2/CA dated 12 Jan. 46 referred to in Para 2 of your a/m letter is not available in this office; it is therefore requested that a copy be forwarded to this office, for information, please.

3. It is also noted that the Light Workshop (OIC) of the 11 Administrative Transport Coy has a deficiency of 4 workers, and advice is requested by this office as to what steps are being taken to provide personnel to meet this deficiency.

Lt. Col.
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Copies to: 10 B.L.U.
11 B.L.U.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.M.
M.M.I.A.
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See ME/26/15

See Table 41

12/19/46

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TRANSLATION

FROM M. of W.
TO SMKE
and to MMIA (for info)

REF 4486/20A
DATE 15/4/46

..... for your info, expressing favourable opinion to the approving of the proposal to form a detachment of the 11th Repair Unit to be located at Siracusa.

In respect of the light workshops (OLC) of the 11th Administrative Transport Coy., we would point out that, it being impossible to post military workmen because of the known deficit situation, this Directorate General asked the Cabinet, in December last, for authorisation for the light W/shops to employ specialist civilian personnel in place of the military personnel laid down in the W/Es.

This authorisation was notified to all the Military H.Q.s concerned in January last (this Directorate General's letter 060/154/2/CA of 12/1/46, addressed, for info, to your S.M. - Services Office)

On the basis of this instruction, the 11 Administrative Transport Coy. employed the following civilian specialists for the workshop under its command:

- 3 Mechanics
- 1 Electrician driver
- 1 Vulcaniser.

- Said W/shop had also the following military personnel :
- 1 subaltern Officer commanding
 - 1 Senior NCO chief mechanic
 - 1 mechanic

The workshop has therefore a total deficiency of 4 workers .

sgd. Propenzi
Gen.

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Sec.
H.E.
18 April 46

See Foglio
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AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Direzione Gen. Motorizz. e Art.

e, per conoscenza:

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REME

Da rapporti ricevuti risulta che alcuni reparti dislocati in Sicilia si trovano nell'assoluta impossibilità di utilizzare i mezzi di riparazione militari (11° Reparto Riparazioni di Palermo e Officina d'Artigliaria di Messina), dato che i reparti stessi si trovano disintegrati su tutto il territorio della Sicilia, alcuni di essi a 150 miglia e oltre lontani da dette officine.

Una buona soluzione al problema sarebbe di aumentare l'organico dell'11° Reparto Riparazioni e decentralizzare il reparto stesso, in modo che un distaccoamento potrebbe essere dislocato in un punto intermedio (Siracusa) che potrebbe servire i reparti di Catania e della zona sud orientale.

C'è la possibilità di portare l'11° Reparto Riparazioni e il Distaccoamento proposto al limite necessario della forza, mediante risorse militari, dato che siamo informati della scarsità della mano d'opera civile?

E' stato anche riferito che l'11° Officina Leggera (organico serie 172/SMRZ/1) non è andata ancora in funzione, data la indisponibilità di personale capace e di equipaggiamento. Se questa officina potesse essere messa in funzione e bene equipaggiata, essa potrebbe almeno servire gli automezzi dell'11° Compagnia Autotrasporti, in tal modo alleggerendo considerevolmente l'11° Reparto Riparazioni.

Si prega di comunicare a questo Comando qualsiasi decisione presa al riguardo delle questioni esposte.

P. IL TEN. COLONN. A.D.M.E.

F/to

MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE ARTIGLIERIA E MOTORIZZAZIONE

Divisione corpo automobilistico - Gen. 2° -

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ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO - Ufficio Ord. e Mob.

e, per conoscenza:

ALLA L.F.B.O. AC. (MIA)

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R. ESERCITO - Ufficio Servizi

..... per competenza, esprimendo parere favorevole all'accoglimento della proposta di costituire un distaccoamento dell'11° reparto riparazioni da dislocare in Siracusa.

Per quanto riguarda l'officina leggera (OLC) della 11° compagnia trasporti amministrativi, si fa presente che - nell'impossibilità di assegnare operai militari per la nota situazione deficitaria - questa Direzione Generale chiederà all'Ente del Gabinetto, dello stesso grado, di disporre

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Divisione corpo automobilistico - Sez. 2^a -

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Translation Priority!

W. E. Hockridge, Capo

R.E.M.E. 17 April

Tale autorizzazione fu comunicata a tutti i comandi militari interessati nello scorso mese di gennaio (lettera di questa Direzione Generale n° 060/154/20A del 12.1.46 diretta per conoscenza anche a codesto S.M. - ufficio servizi).

In base a tale disposizione, la 11^a compagnia trasporti amministrativi ha assunto, per la dipendente officina i seguenti specialisti civili:

- 3 assistatori
- 1 elettricista - motorista
- 1 vulcanizzatore

Detta officina ha inoltre il seguente personale militare:

- 1 ufficiale subalterno comandante
- 1 sottufficiale capomeccanico
- 1 assistatore.

Complessivamente l'officina ha quindi una deficienza di 4 operai.-



IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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12 B.L.U. Progress Report of Italian Central Military Schools
for Period 1 - 31 March 1946.

Ref: G/A.3/1071

1 April 1946.

Summary.

Although good progress has been made by many Schools, the main problem remains the delay in construction and completion of barrack buildings due entirely to financial reasons. A Memorandum by Colonel L.N. Mackay CBE, Commander 12 B.L.U. is attached as Appendix 'A' to this Report.

Detailed equipment staff tables have been prepared showing requirements for all Schools in respect of weapons, ammunition etc for period April - December 1946.

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Progress has been retarded by :-

- (a) The failure of building materials to arrive.
 - (b) The failure of S.M.R.L. to produce a W.E. for the School.
- Provided that the project is approved from the financial view point it is hoped that the School will be ready to operate on 1 June 1946.

2. Armoured Car School.

The course which commenced in February was concluded in the early days of the month. The School has now moved to a new location at TOR di QUINIO and is passing through a phase of reorganisation. The release of a further 16 Stevedores and 3 Drivers has greatly increased training facilities.

3. School of Artillery.

The series of instructors courses which have been held during the past months are now nearing completion.

A further series of Instructors courses, of 5 weeks duration, commenced on 10 March 1946.

The course is divided into two parts, the first three weeks being devoted to instruction in equipment, Artillery theory, and in technical and tactical use of instruments whilst the remaining fortnight is devoted to practical instruction in the field and instruction in "Methods of Instruction".

The numbers under instruction are as follows

	25pr	17pr & 6pr	40 in
Officers	10	Instructors	Instructors.
NOCs	50	21	24

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- (a) W90 Instructors course.
- (b) HAA Instructors Course.

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- (a) R30 Instructors course.
- (b) R44 Instructors Course.
- (c) 5.5 Med Instructors Course.

The repair of the Genio Barracks at BRACCIANO has progressed ~~slowly~~ ^{rapidly} throughout the month and all work will be completed by 1 May 1946. An application has been submitted for the transfer of the Duke of Aosta Barracks at CIVITAVECCHIA from the British School of Artillery to the Italian School of Artillery on 15 April 1946. This would provide ample accommodation for the recruit training centre.

5. School of Artillery (Cont'd).

Results of courses completed on 10 March 1946 are shown in Appendix 'B' to this report. Reference should be made to the outstanding work of Major HOW, R.A., whose enthusiasm and energy has contributed greatly to the progress of the School and rendered the task of his successor Major ALEXANDER R.A. considerably easier.

4. Engineer School.

No courses have been held during the month but time has been spent in the organisation of barracks and preparation of fieldwork, bridging and demolition sites in readiness for the recruit training programme. The School is situated in a malarial area and steps are now in progress to reduce the danger of high incidence of malaria. The danger could be still further reduced by :-

- (a) The issue of spraying liquids and pumps.
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The third potential signal instructors course and a wireless course for Infantry Signal Officers and NCOs, both of six weeks duration commenced on 11 March 1946. The following personnel are under instruction :-

	Offrs	NCOs	Total.
No.5 Signal Instructors Course	22	70	92
No.1 Infantry Signals Course	10	19	29

Preparations have been prepared for recruits courses in May and approval obtained for the three months Infantry and Artillery Signallers courses.

6. Infantry School.

The courses for Instructors for CARs and for Territorial Officers are now in their fifth week. Preparations have commenced for the new Infantry School organisation.

The transformation is being made in the following stages :-

- (a) The appointment of Commanders of wings and the implementation of the establishment. This stage will be completed by 20 April.
- (b) The preparation of training programmes and a detailed analysis of lessons to be taught. This stage will be completed by 6 April.
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7. Police School.

The 7th course for Military Police finished on 23 March with the following results.

	Very Good.	Good.	Fair.	Failed.	Students.
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7. Police School (Cont'd).

The standard of students on this course was below average.

The Carabinieri School accommodation has been improved by the addition of three quarters of the old hospital.

8. P.T. School.

The 3rd P.T. Course of eight weeks duration was concluded on 9th March 1946. Of an initial total of 56 students, 15 were returned to their units as being unsuitable to make instructors or through sickness. The results of the 10 Officers, 24 NCOs and 2 Carabinieri who concluded the course are as follows :-

Students suitable as School Instructors	NIL.
Very Good regimental instructors	3
Good "	19
Average "	11
Unsuitable	8

Since the course ended a refresher course has been run for School Instructors in preparation for the three months course commencing 1 April 1946.

Emphasis has been made in previous reports on the vital necessity of the P.T. School receiving the consideration which is its due in the curriculum of training in the Italian Army. There is still a tendency to regard this School as a 'fad' of the British Army, whereas it should be a corner stone in the plan of reconstruction now being developed. Inadequate buildings and equipment and lack of enthusiasm in high quarters make the task of the permanent staff even more difficult than necessary.

9. School of Motorisation.

The need for early commencement of R.E. work at this School cannot be over emphasised. There now remain five weeks until the arrival of recruits. Officer Instructors for the School are arriving and the present strength is 42.

Training material (component parts of vehicles) and wall diagrams are being drawn, though the amounts to date are insufficient to meet instructional requirements.

The following courses are being held :-

- (a) Instructors course of 4 weeks duration which commenced on 5 March and is attended by 35 Officers and 109 NCOs. The aim of the course is to ensure that the future instructors of the School of Motorisation maintain uniformity in IT instruction and are conversant with the latest methods of instruction.
- (b) A short D & M Course for 30 drivers who have been posted to the School as drivers but are not in possession of Military Driving licences. The results of No. 7 D & M Course which ended on 1st March 1946 are shown in Appendix 'E' to this report.

10. E & M School.

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- (2) Instructors course of 4 weeks duration which commenced on 5 March and is attended by 35 Officers and 109 NCOs. The aim of the course is to ensure that the future instructors of the School of Motorisation maintain uniformity in MT instruction and are conversant with the latest methods of instruction.

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10. H & M School.

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Preparation for the move of the vehicle repair centre to the School of Motorisation have progressed and it will move to CECCHIGUOLA during the first few days of this month. Some training models and wall charts have been obtained.

In the event of the Artillery Recruit Training Centre being established at the Duke of Aosta barracks CIVITAVECCHIA, it is proposed to move the School of Armour from the Sacile barracks where it is at present located into the Duke of Aosta barracks and thus releasing the Sacile barracks to the School of Engineers.

Results of courses which concluded on 30 March 1946 at the Motoristation Repair Centre are shown in Appendix 'D' to this report.

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11. School of Administration and Welfare.

A course for Medical Orderlies and assistants was commenced during the month. The object of the course is to provide CARS with the necessary number of medical orderlies and assistants to meet their requirements. Repairs to the barracks are progressing slowly. These consist of :-

- (a) The partitioning of certain rooms to form small class rooms.
- (b) The provision of adequate sleeping accommodation for Officers.

12. Administration.

(a) Ordnance Services.

Stocks of summer clothing held in the Italian storehouses, in particular at CIVITAVECCHIA and BRACCIANO are definitely insufficient to maintain units on the summer scale of clothing. The Captain QM's view the position with great concern as the prospects of satisfaction in this direction are very remote, especially as the clothing will be drawn from Italian sources and will consist mainly of cleaned and worn clothing withdrawn last year.

Collection has been arranged from NAPLES of gun stores for the School of Artillery and two of the 17pr gun barrels have been returned to the Return Gun Park, NAPLES.

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The 60 Day Maintenance packs promised in Jan. 1946 have not yet materialised. In spite of the difficulties of supply of spares the production curve shows a marked rise - 83 vehicles and 7 m/cs. Movement of the workshop to ROUE has been rumoured but beyond enquiries as to the composition of an augmented L.A.D. for servicing the vehicles at CERNIO, nothing definite has arisen. During March 16 vehicles and m/cs have been passed back to A.O.R.M. Workshops at BOLOGNA.

(c) Discipline, Hygiene and Welfare.

No noticeable change from conditions outlined in Progress Report No. 15 for February 1946.

(d) Morale.

Grounds for dissatisfaction exist for two main reasons :-

- (i) Lack and inadequacy of married quarters.
- (ii) Financial reasons.

The position regarding married families is particularly acute at CERNIO. A solution would be the movement of the HQ Italian Central Military School to ROUE, releasing suitable accommodation for married quarters to the Infantry School. The difficulties in finance for Italian Officers was outlined in detail in Progress Report No. 15. Little can be added except to point out that if conditions are not improved, the standard of efficiency of instructors will deteriorate rapidly.

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Appendix 'G'	Deficiencies of all ranks of 12 B.L.U. and leave detail

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Appendix 'A'

To: 12 F.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
dated 1 April 1946.

DELAY IN COMPLETION OF BARRACK BUILDINGS.

During the month I have made a visit (in some cases more than one) to all the Schools comprising the Scuole Centrali Militari. With the possible exception of Civitavecchia, where the Contractors are working busily and considerable progress has been made, the standard is deplorable. The Italian military authorities have, in every case, prepared an estimate and detailed memoranda of their requirements. Genio Militare prepared financial estimates of the cost of the work involved. Up to this point there can be no criticism or suggestion of negligence on the part of either the personnel of Comando Scuole or Genio Militare. But virtually nothing has been done. The position caused no considerable alarm at the beginning of the month and I visited General Cortelexza and consequently Signor Brozio, Minister of War, and endeavored to impress upon them both, that unless funds were made available to implement essential work, the position on the 1st of May (when the Schools were supposed to start) would be a serious one. Both General Cortelexza and the Minister were co-operative, but there was only one answer. The Italian Government has not yet authorized the funds to meet the cost of the contracts. In spite of promises and a certain amount of optimistic thinking the position is virtually the same at the end of the month. The work has not yet started. Without being defeatist, it can be said quite definitely that the essential buildings will not be in the condition which we hoped, by the 1st May. This fact must be accepted and I have therefore impressed on the Italian Commanders of all the Schools that this unfortunate situation must not allow them in any way either to lose hope or slacken their efforts. They must improvise.

I am glad to say that, with the possible exception of Colonel Matteis, Commanding the Scuole Autieri, the response of the Commanders of the Schools has been most satisfactory. All of them have prepared interim plans to enable the Schools to operate under adverse conditions which are now inevitable. None of them have lost heart and I am confident that although we shall not attain the ideal for which we hoped, training will be able to commence and, to a large extent, the welfare factor, on which the Director has made so much emphasis, will not be neglected. Provisional Spaccio's and welfare facilities have been organized and every effort has been made to provide the maximum possible comfort under existing conditions to improve the living conditions of the men. I am glad to say the response of the military officers concerned, although deploring the inaction of the Italian Government, is, to say the least, most fortunate. As an indication to the clarity of thought and thoroughness with which the Colonels are dealing with their problems I attach a memorandum written by Col. Mancuso on the conditions at Ceceniguala, and from personal observation I am satisfied that there is not one word of exaggeration in what he says. None the less, he is not allowing himself to be defeated and the Schools for which he is responsible will start on the 1st May.

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Enclosure with Appendix 'A'
to: 12 B.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
Dated 1 April 1946.

SCUOLA COLLEGAMENTI GENIO
COMANDO

No. 02/66/Ris.

Rome 13, 10 March 1946.

Subject :- Signal School - Barracks at Cecchinola - Arrangements.

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE GENERAL COMM. THE CENTRAL MILITARY SCHOOLS.

CESARE DI ROMA.

As the moment when the Recruits will flow in for the Advanced Training by this School is getting near, I think it necessary to put things clear about the situation of the School with regard to the necessary accommodation and the training premises.

1. Up to this date - 10 March - of all the works foreseen to give a simple but reasonable settlement to this School nothing has been done - not a single nail has been driven and not a single brick laid.

Nothing has changed from the original conditions except for a very few works done by some workmen of the Direzione Lavori for the accommodation of the permanent staff.

2. Of all the following works planned :

To transform the stables into school-rooms -	amounting to L. 8,000,000
Fixtures for the school rooms	- 2,100,000
HQ Buildings, Barracks A & B etc	- 17,000,000
General service building	- 11,000,000
(Kitchens, Baths, Washing rooms etc)	- 15,000,000
To make or repair the fixtures for all the	- 1,100,000
Buildings	-
Water supply and hygienic installation	-
TOTAL	L. 54,200,000

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3. As I know something about this kind of work and about the difficulties to carry them on I can easily foresee that on the 1st May the situation will be about the following :

When the recruits will arrive, only a few class rooms will be ready, but without doors or windows - the expenditure for same not having been granted as yet - and besides :

(a) fairly good accommodation - as already ascertained by General Ronco - for 750 men;

(b) Lodgings for some 2,300 - no doors, no windows, no light;

(c) Hygienic installations very poor and such that may lead to dangerous epidemics: draining system needing badly to be repaired;

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- (d) Water supply needing to be repaired and improved to satisfy the necessities of about 3,000 men, especially in summer;
- (e) Kitchens available - field kitchens - for 600 units only, that could be made sufficient for 900 units at the utmost, while the units to be fed are 3,000.

This is the situation as it actually is and as it will remain for a long time still if exceptional measures will not be taken.

General Ronco will agree that this situation is not such as to favourably impress the new recruits who from the start should receive the impression that everything has been conveniently prepared for them in a military fashion.

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Now, even if decent accommodation must be put off for the moment owing to particular reasons, even if the question of the Kitchens can be temporarily solved by using Field Kitchens, if available, even if provisionally I will try my best to provide for the electric light (switches, bulbs etc must be bought anyhow) nothing can be done to solve, in the same way the problem of the missing windows, doors, draining system and water supply.

According to my opinion it is necessary therefore, that the authority should be immediately given for the following expenditures:

Fixtures for the school rooms	Amounting to L. 2,100,000
Repairs and new fixtures for all the remaining buildings	15,000,000
Water supply and Hygienic Installations	<u>1,100,000</u>
	L. 16,200,000

Expenditures for all the remaining could be deferred to the next financial year, or considering it is an exceptional measure - it is not really exceptional at all - authority could be given for the works to be started and payment of same postponed until the next financial year.

I am sure that the Contractors would agree to a deferred payment.

I consider it my duty to inform General Ranco of the above because it is necessary that - if he will consider it convenient - the real situation of the Schools should be taken up on a higher level.

The Colonel Commandant,
(S.MANCUSO)

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The Colonel Commandant,
(S. MANGU)

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To: 12 B.L.
DeRESULTS OF COURSES - MARCH 1946.

1. School of Artillery.

OFFICERS	Total at Commencement	Total at end of Course	Passed	Inclac Snr Oa
25 pr	45	43	35	
17 & 6 pr	18	18	18	
40 NCOs	8	8	8	
<u>NCOs.</u>				
25 pr	71	70	70	
17 & 6 pr	23	23	15	
40 NCOs	14	14	14	

2. Signal School.

No.2 Sigs Instr Course	<u>Officers.</u>	13 Passed	2 Failed.	
	<u>NCOs.</u>	Very Good.	Good.	Average.
		3	7	14
No.4 Course for CC.RR	Officers	2	4	3
Wireless Operators.	NCOs.	6	11	5
	Carabinieri	1	16	34

3. School of Motorisation.

No.6 D & M Course	Total at Commencement of Course.	Total at end of Course.	Passed.
	394	359	264

RESULTS OF COURSES - MARCH 1946.

APPENDIX "D"

To: 12 B.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
Dated 1 April 1946.

OFFICERS	Total at Commencement	Total at end of Course	Passed	Unclassified Snr Officers	Failed.
25 pr	48	43	35	8.9	-
17 & 6 pr	18	18	18	-	-
40 WIA	8	8	8	-	-
<u>NCOs.</u>					
25 pr	71	70	70	-	1
17 & 6 pr	23	23	15	-	8
40 WIA	14	14	14	-	-

No. 2 Sigs Instr Course	Officers.	13 Passed 2 Failed.				
	NCOs.	Very Good.	Good.	Average.	Fair.	Failed.
		3	7	14	17	10
No. 1 Course for CC.RR Wireless Operators.	Officers	2	4	3	-	2
	NCOs.	6	11	5	-	4
	Carabinieri	1	16	34	-	9

No. 6 D & H Course	Total at Commencement of Course.	Total at end of Course.	Passed.	Failed.
	394	359	264	95

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4.	B & M School.	Course.	Rank	Total at Commencement of Course	Total at end of Course.	Passed.
		Veh Mech	Officer	11	1	-
			NCOs	7	7	7
			ORs	24	24	22
		Elect (v)	ORs	9	9	9
		Dvr Mochs	NCOs	15	15	15
			ORs	152	148	141
		Turners	ORs	6	6	4
		Pitters (Gen)	ORs	19	19	17
		Elect (House)	ORs	12	12	9

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APPENDIX 'B' (Continued).

Course.	Rank	Total at Commencement of Course	Total at end of Course.	Passed.	Failed,
Veh Mech	Officer	11	1	-	-
	NCOs	7	7	7	-
	ORs	24	24	22	2
Elect (v)	ORs	9	9	9	-
Dvr Mchgs	NCOs	15	15	15	-
	ORs	152	148	141	7
Turners	ORs	6	6	4	2
Mitters (Gen)	ORs	19	19	17	2
Elect (House)	ORs	12	12	9	3

APPENDIX 'C'

To: 12 B.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
Dated 1 April 1946.

Location Statement of Italian Schools.

Ref Maps ITALY 1:200,000 Sheets 16 and 17.

Serial No.	School	Location	Map Reference.
1.	US Central Military Schools	CESANO	F. 6286
2.	School of Tactics.	CIVITAVECCHIA	F. 1891
3.	Armoured Car School.	TOR di QUINTO	F. 7372
4.	Artillery School	BRACCIANO.	F. 4390
5.	Engineer School	CIVITAVECCHIA	F. 1891
6.	Signal School	CIECHIGNUOLA	F. 7458
7.	Infantry School.	CESANO	F. 6286
8.	Police School	CESANO	F. 6286
9.	P.T. School	CESANO	F. 6286
10.	School of Motorisation	CIECHIGNUOLA	F. 7458
11.	E and M School	CIVITAVECCHIA	F. 1891
12.	School of Administration and Welfare	RIEPI	B. 0723

APPENDIX 'D'

To: 12 B.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
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12 B. L. U. STAFF LIST.
1 APRIL 1946.

GENERAL STAFF BRANCH.

GSO I
 GSO III

L/Col L.H. Mackay JRE (59836)
 T/Capt A.W. Gibbins (233416) R.A.

BRANCH OF THE ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

DAH & QMG
 Staff Captain

T/Maj E.J. Bamford (226359) R.A.C.
 A/Capt W.R. Trevelyan (256126) R.E.

SERVICES.

DAIST
 DADOS
 DAMEE

T/Maj J.C. Halket (95549) RASC.
 T/Maj T.H. Shorthose (127395) RAOC
 A/Maj A.T. Twine (230819) RALE.

TRAINING BRANCH.STAFF

GSO II (Schools) Trg
 GSO II (Schools) Trg

T/Maj W.L. Price MFE (74688) N.Staffs
 T/Maj H.F. Chance (67432) R.Lr.Fus

R.A.

Instructor R.A. (Major)

T/Maj G.K. Alexander (87447) R.A.

R.E.

Instructor R.E. (Major)

A/Maj W.E. Chapman (240260) R.E.

R. Signals.

Instructor R. Sigs (Major)

A/Maj D.R. Skinner (194077) R. Sigs.

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To: 1
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SERIAL No.	VEHICLE TYPE.	REGD. No.	EFFICIENT. (E).	LOCAL REPAIR (LR)	BEYOND LOCAL REPAIR (ELR).
1	Ford Staff Car.	1560133.			
2	Dodge. 3-ton.	L.5689402		IR	
3	Chevrolet 3-ton.	L.5686553	E		
4	Ford G.S. 15-cwt.	Z.5313398	E		
5	Dodge. G.S. 15-cwt.	Z.4982463	E		
6	Dodge G.S. 15-cwt.	Z.5250009	E		
7	Austin P.U.	M.1137044			
8	Hillman. P.U.	H.5100869		IR	
9	Jeep.	5626871.	E		
10	Jeep.	5158386	E		
11	Triumph M/C. 500 cc.	G.5426264	E		
12	B.S.A. M/C. 500 cc.	G.5117266	E		
13	B.S.A. M/C. 500 cc.	G.1461106	E		
14	B.S.A. M/C. 500 cc.	G.5547039	E		

CERTIFIED THAT THE ABOVE VEHICLES ARE HELD ON CHARGE, THAT THEIR CONDITION IS AS
A.B.406 HAVE BEEN INSPECTED AND FOUND CORRECT.

Date: 1 April 1946.

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Comd. 12 British Liaison U
Italian Central Milit

APPENDIX 'B'
To: 12 BLU Progress Report
No. 16 dtd. 1 Apr. 44.

RECD. No.	EFFICIENT. (E).	LOCAL REPAIR (LR)	BEYOND LOCAL REPAIR (BLR).	REMARKS.
1560133.		IR		
L.5687402	E			
L.5686553	E			
Z.5313398	E			
Z.4982463	E			
Z.5250009	E			
M.1137044		IR		
M.5100869	E			
5626871.	E			
5158386	E			
C.5426264	E			
C.5117266	E			
C.1461106	E			
C.5547039	E			

CERTIFIED THAT THE ABOVE VEHICLES ARE FIELD ON CHARGE, THAT THEIR CONDITION IS AS STATED, AND THAT
A.B.406 HAVE BEEN INSPECTED AND FOUND CORRECT.

[Signature]
Colonel.
Comd. 12 British Liaison Unit for the
Italian Central Military Schools

APPENDIX 'G'

To: 12 B.L.U. Progress Report No. 16
 Dated 1 April 1946.

(A) Deficiencies in All Ranks as against W.E. CM/1018/1 dated 1 June 1945
 (As amended)

(i) Officers - NIL.

(ii) Other Ranks.

	WO II's	Sgts	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL
Arm Art (Veh) (RECE)	1	-	-	-	1
Storeman Tech "	-	1	-	-	1
Elec Veh & Plant "	-	1	-	-	1
Veh Mech "	-	1	-	-	1
Storeman (RE)	-	-	-	1	1
Clerk GD "	-	-	-	1	1
Instr Op W/T (R. Sigs)	-	1	-	-	1
Clerks CD (Any Arm)	-	-	-	1	1
Cook ACC	-	-	1	-	1
Interpreters	-	2	-	-	2
TOTALS	1	6	1	3	11

(B) Details of all Ranks on leave and when due for return.

(i) Officers.

LLAP - 1 Officer due to return 7 April 1946.

(ii) Other Ranks.

LLAP - 1 L/Cpl due to return 19 April 1946.

(C) Details of all ranks due for leave in immediate future.

(i) Due under LLAP, LILOP etc

Officers	1
ORs	3

(ii) Due under GRO 1352/45

Officers	3
ORs	5

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Subject:- Arsenal at PIACENZA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R O M E
Q.215

4 April 46.

To :- MINISTRY OF WAR.

1. Reference your 16813/DT of 13 March 46.
2. Information received indicates that the shell factory at PIACENZA has never been requisitioned. The water supply feeding the factory, however, was under requisition but is now being derequisitioned.
3. It appears, therefore, that there is no reason why you should not take over the shell factory officially through Italian channels forthwith.
4. Please report action taken.

G.B. KING, Major,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- 3 ELU

Internal:- MEMO

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Translation

MESSAGE

To M.M.I.A.

S.M. Organisation Office N° I275/Ord/I stop this is addressed to
Central Military Schools HQ and for info to M.M.I.A. War Cabinet
Comiliter Rome, S.M. Operations and S.M. Services stop.

As suggested by Central Schools HQ transfer Art mechanics and
tradesmen to Art. school referred to in letter I088/Ord dated
26/2/46 will take place by the 31/ inst. instead of the 1° inst. stop

S.M. Organisation I40008

O. Bogliaccino.

DAK

P. Piacentini.

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11/4/46

M E S S A G G I O

COMANDO SCUOLE CENTRALI MILITARI

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION A.C. (ROMA)

AL GABINETTO

COMILITER ROMA

STAMAGGIORE OPERAZIONI

STAMAGGIORE SERVIZI

IN

Data 11/3

Data 1/3

CELANO

ROMA

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Stamaggiore ordinamento n. 1275/Ord./1 punto Presente est diretto comando scuole centrali militari et per conoscenza at M.I.A. at Guerra Gabinetto at comiliter Roma at Stamaggiore operazioni at Stamaggiore servizi punto

Come proposto da comando scuole centrali passaggio scuole meccanici et operai artiglieria at scuola artiglieria cui foglio 1088/Ord. data 26 febbraio u.s. avverrà sotto data 3 corrente anzichè primo corrente punto

Stamaggiore ordinamento = 140008 =

p. IL GENERALE ADDETTO a.p.s.
IL COLONNELLO
(O. Bogliaccino)

P. C. C.

IL COLONNELLO CAPO UFFICIO
(P. Piacentini)



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Subject:- School of Motorisation Cecchignola.

To:-

A.D.M.E.,

Land Forces Sub Comm.

12. (M.I.A.) ROME.

ME/21

12 British Liaison Unit for
Italian Central Military Schools.
(Tel: ROME 66318/3)

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25 Mar 46

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1. With reference to your ME/21 of 1 Mar 46 on the a/m subject.
2. I am informed verbally by Col. Nigri, Commandant of the School of Motorisation that the cost of repair of building is and including emplacement of machine tools and installation of power lines will be approximately 100,000,000 lire.
3. I understood from Col. Nigri that he obtained this information from the Italian Engineer Services concerned.
4. With reference to the footnotes of the above quoted letter, it is pointed out that the D & M school block needs as much repair as do the other blocks.
5. The a/m estimate is intended to cover repairs to the following blocks shown on the map of Cecchignola:-

700	-	D & M.
900	-	S of M Headquarters and domestic workshop.
1100	-	Officers and N.C.Os. students (Instructors).
1300	-	7B and 7A School of Repair Specialists.
6. Block 1100 covers buildings up to, and including No. 1122:-
Buildings No. 1123 - 1134 are the glass factory and are not required by the S of M.

Arthur J. Yume

(A.T. TWINE)

Major RME
DAVE

12 British Liaison Unit for Italian Central Military Schools.

Copy to:- Commander, 12 British Liaison Unit.
(with copy letter ADRE. MILA ME/21 of 1 Mar 46)

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12 British Liaison Unit for Italian Central Military Schools.

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Copy to:- Commander, 12 British Liaison Unit.
(with copy letter ADL LMA ME/21 of 1 Mar 46)

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SUBJECT :- School of Motorization - COCHIN

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25th Mar 46Land Forces Sub Comm A.C. (MIA)
RGS

Tel : Room 40001 Ext 36

To :- S.C.E.M.

Copies to :- G. (Training)

C.

RGS

12 RM for S.T.

1. Further to this branch letter of 14 Mar it is understood that the engineer work on the premises to be utilized for the training of Officers, NCO's and recruits in driving and maintenance has still not yet commenced.
2. As you will appreciate and has already been indicated in previous correspondence, this matter is ^{one} of extreme urgency. Owing to the delay on the part of the Italian authorities it would now seem doubtful whether even the essential works will be completed prior to the first intakes unless a major degree of improvisation is resorted to.

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W. H. Dyer
Lt. Col. ADST.,
Land Forces Sub Commission AC(MIA).

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Subject:- CROCHICHOLA.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
R.C. 4.2
Q.219

23 March 46.

To 1- WAR MINISTRY.

1. It is understood that repairs to the barracks at CROCHICHOLA, which have been allotted for the use of the Motorisation Repair Training Centre, will not be completed in time for the courses to start on 15 May 46.

2. May a report on the matter please be forwarded to this HQ without delay.

3. It has been suggested to M.M.I.A. that alternative premises will therefore be required and that the Città Industriale Militare (ex N°1 Military Prison) would be suitable. These premises were released to the Italian Govt and have been assigned to the Chief Disposals Officer Ministry of Supply (M.M.I.A. Q219 of 2 Mar 46 refers).

4. If these latter premises are required, alternative suitable accommodation will have to be offered by you when negotiating with the Italian Govt for their release.

5. May M.M.I.A. please be informed what action you are taking in this matter.

[Signature]
Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- 3(Irg)
MEMO
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26/3/46

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ME 121

Subject: Base Workshops.

To: A.D.M.E.
Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
M.I.A.

Your Ref. ME/21 of 26 Feb. 46.

REC-25 MAR 1946

REME BRANCH
HE: 3 British Liaison Unit

ME/ARM/9
22 March 1946

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Ref. our effort at telephonic conversation of to-day's date.

The position regarding the Arsenal at Piacenza is as follows:

The Arsenal is quite an extensive set of buildings only 25% of which were damaged by bombing and this damage is being repaired at a rate which implies that the Arsenal is controlled by the Government and not by the Army.

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25/12/44

Subject: Arsenal at PIACENZA.

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Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.

(M.N.I.A.)

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32 March 45.

To :- 2 DISTRICT.

1. It appears that the shell factory at PIACENZA, held under British requisition by 59 Area, is no longer occupied by any troops.

2. The factory is urgently required by the Ministry of War to be incorporated in the Arsenal as a wagon repair shop. The premises 1-40 to 51 are not urgently required (Artificers School) and could be left at the disposal of 59 Area if so desired when release of the factory were authorized.

3. Would you please examine the possibility of demobilizing this shell factory as soon as possible and inform this HQ of the earliest likely date of release.



C. L. KING, Major,
for Major General,
M.N.I.A.

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(10)
SUBJECT: M.F. Workshops in Sicily.

Land Forces Sub Comm.,
A.C. (M.M.I.A.) ROME
MB/21

2/ March 46

Dir. Gen. of Motorisation and Artillery,
Ministry of War.

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FOR S O RENE(.) RNF OUR ME/21 DATED 26 FEB (.)

SHORT REPORT REQUIRED IMMEDIATELY

IMPORTANT
RENE BRANCH

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W.S. RINDL, Capt.

Subject :- Repairs - School of Motorisation.

81/705

14 Dec 46

Land Forces Sub Comm A.O. (MSEA)

MEMO

Ref: Hqs AFM 1st 336

To :- S.O.M.A.

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G. Training.
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1. Attached is a schedule showing repair work outstanding to buildings etc intended for use of the School of Motorisation at CASERTA. The estimated cost of repairs is stated to be in the region of 100,000,000 Lira.
2. It is understood that the Commandant of the School has submitted through Italian channels details of repairs required to the Headquarters Buildings of the School.
3. As you are aware Engineer work has not yet been commenced. The matter is apparently still under discussion between the Army Engineer Inspectorate, Ministry of War Training Branch and the Commandant of the School. The stage for detailed preparation of schedules of repairs etc by the Italian Engineer authorities has presumably not been reached.
4. From a recent inspection of the premises it would appear imperative that special steps should be taken to ensure that the works are put in hand without further delay if the accommodation is to be in a reasonable state of repair by the required date.

MEMD/ag

Mr. H. H. Dyer
Land Forces Sub Comm A.O. (MSEA)

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15/3/46

C O P YSUBJECT :- School of Motorisation - R.E. Repairs.

12 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
for the
ITALIAN CENTRAL MILITARY SCHOOLS
(Tel : ROME 66319)
Ref : ST/1/1188

12 Mar 46.

TO :- A.D.S.T.
M.M.I.A.

The following R.E. work is outstanding at present at the School of
Motorisation GEOCHIGNOLA.

(A) D. & M Wing. (Lot 700).

- (i) Electric Lighting
- (ii) Water supply and fixtures.
- (iii) Cookhouses (2 for 1000 O.Rs., 1 for 150 Officers and 1 for 150 N.C.Os.
- (iv) Partitions in two sheds to be used as classrooms.
- (v) Enlargement of Ablutions.
- (vi) Building of Latrines.
- (vii) Whitewashing of Dormitories.
- (viii) Flooring of Shed 708.
- (ix) Boiler for Shower Baths.
- (x) Repairs to roofs and doors and windows.

(B) Cadet Officers and Pot. N.C.O's Company (Lot 1100).

- (i) Electric Lighting.
- (ii) Water Supply and Fixtures.
- (iii) Officers Shower Baths.
- (iv) Partitions to be built in Infirmary.
- (v) Cookhouse for 150.
- (vi) Partitions in 2 sheds for use as classrooms.
- (vii) Building of Latrines and Ablutions.
- (viii) Boiler for Shower Baths.
- (ix) Repairs to Doors and Windows etc.

(C) HQ and H.Q. Platoon (Lot 900).

- (i) Electric Lighting.
- (ii) Water Supply and Fixtures.
- (iii) Cookhouse for 200.
- (iv) Building of Latrines and Ablutions.
- (v) Repairs to Doors and Windows etc.

(D) M.T. Company. (Lot 800).

- (i) Electric Lighting.
- (ii) Water Supply and Fixtures.
- (iii) Repairs to doors and windows and construction of new windows and doors.

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- (iv) Cookhouse for 500.
- (v) Building of 2 Latrines.

- (E) In addition to above the fencing of the "Lots" is necessary and the repair of such fences where they exist.

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Subject:- Arms Factory - TIRU.

Land Force Sub Comm. (M.M.I.A.)
R C M F
Q.219

(7)

To :- R.A.A.C.8 March 46.

1. Information at hand indicates the possibility that the Arms Factory at TIRU, at present occupied by 1204 Base M.G.P.S., may be derequisitioned in the near future.

2. This factory is required urgently by the Ministry of War who plan to instal there the base workshops for the repair of all G.C.R.R. weapons. — *9 to have weapons presumably*

3. You are requested to ensure that the release of this factory, when effected, be made in favour of the War Ministry and that this HQ be informed in good time for arrangements to be made for the taking over.



C.M. KIMS, Major,
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Copy to:- 3 M.L.U.

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Subject :- School of Motorisation - Cecchiola.

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Land Forces Sub Comm, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
ME/21
/ Mar. 46.

D.A.D.M.E.,
12, BLU.

It is understood that no Engineer work has yet begun on the Repair Training Centre of the above and in view of the short time remaining before recruits begin to arrive this is alarming.

Will you please inform me urgently of the cost of this work and the date when it was submitted to the Italian engineer authorities, when the matter will be taken up here? Your report should of course cover the cost of installing the necessary machine tools for training purposes in addition to the more normal type of Engineer work.

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G (Trg) - can you please bring pressure to bear.

S.T. - it is understood that the D & M School is not greatly affected.

S.O.R.E.

A. Blunt
Lt. Col.

A.D.M.E.

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Subject: Base Workshops.

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

ME/21

26 February 1946

E.M.E.,
3 B.I.U.

The War Ministry are considering siting a Base Workshop in the Arsenal at Piacenza for repairs to guns (not small arms) beyond repair of Infantry Divisions.

Please report urgently :

- (a) the number of civilians available with previous gun experience.
- (b) the state of repair of the buildings and approximate cost of rebuilding.
- (c) the approximate length of time needed before a shop capable of handling 30 guns could be established there.

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Lt. Col.
A.D.M.E.
M.M.I.A.

Subject: - Report on Instruments Fire Control.

To: Commander.

12 British Liaison Unit,

12 British Liaison Unit for
Italian Central Military Schools.
(Ref: ROME 66342)

Ref: REF/27

18 Feb 46

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1. On Saturday 16 Feb 46, acting on instructions by A.D.M.E., M.M.I.A. I visited the Laboratorio Precisione di Reale Artiglieria, Viale Pretoriano, 100R.

2. I understand that this establishment is the only one of its kind in Italy and has always dealt with the major repairs and inspections of Instruments Fire Control for the Italian Army.

3. I explained the services we require to Col. DE COLA, who is the Commanding Officer and summarised them into three questions:-

- (a) Can he undertake the work? - Yes
(b) Will he undertake the work? - Yes
(c) What authority does he require? - None

4. I have therefore arranged that he will not accept instruments for repair unless they are accompanied by a detailed list signed by myself or representative detailed by you.

5. Col. DE COLA, and the Director took me over the workshops, and I am satisfied that they can give us one hundred per cent efficient repairs of mechanical faults and adjustments, but replacement of optical components will be very difficult, if not impossible. Fortunately complete failure in training of these components is a rare occurrence.

6. L/Cpl. Jones, Inst. Mech. will carry out an instructional inspection at the Italian School of Artillery commencing Monday 26 Feb. He will at that time also instruct in maintenance and very limited minor repairs, taking a record of all instruments which he considers should be sent to the above Laboratory for major repairs and optical cleaning.

ATT/Ref. 12 British Liaison Unit for Italian Central Military Schools.
Major *Arthur Y. Yauve* REE
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Major RME
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12 British Liaison Unit for Italian Central Military Schools.

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