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FROM: M. of W.

REF: 230417/II

TO : MMIA

DATE: 6/12/46

SUBJECT: Personnel for OARE.(50)
26/II/46.

Reply to your letters ME/24/42 dated 8/10/46 and

With a view to completing the WE of the civilian personnel of the OARE, this Cabinet (in letters dated 18th Sept. and 12 October 1946) instructed the Mil. Terr. Command of Bologna to employ specialised personnel. Said employment however is connected with the problem of the dismissal of civilian personnel in excess to the requirements of the Mil. Admin. at present frozen by order of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers for political social reasons.

The defreezing of dismissals will occur in Jan. next gradually and in such occasion, the problem of the OARE can be finally solved.

In any case, according to the a/m order issued by the Cabinet, the Mil. Terr. Command of Bologna has already:-

- employed 26 tradesmen and 2 clerks
- transferred to OARE from other units, 2 tradesmen

For the current month of December, it will authorise the employment of 30 tradesmen and 2 clerks.

It is thought that with the a/m employment and those which will be done during Jan. next, the OARE will be in a position to cope with the work.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

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Prof. A. 230417/II Calligaris

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OGGETTO Personale per l'O.A.R.E. -

LA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. - (M.M. I.A.) ROM A
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(ris. lett. n. 33/24/42 dell'8/10/u.s. e del 26/XI/u.s.)

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE ESERCITO - Uff. Ord. e Mob.
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ALLA DIREZIONE GENERALE ARTIGL. E MOTORIZZ. - Div. Mob.
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Si ritiene che con le anziate assunzioni e con quelle che potranno essere attuate nel gennaio del prossimo anno, l'O.A.R.E. possa far fronte alle proprie necessità di lavoro.-

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ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION - A.C. - (M.E.I.A.)
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Subject:- Inspectorate for Caproni Project.

REME Branch,
HQ 3 BRIT LIAISON UNIT
TEL: 152965 Ext. 126

To:- A.D.M.E.
M.M.I.A.
R O M E

ME/FER/48
29 NOV 46

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- 1 Carpenter.
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Electrician: Not too important.

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R.E.M.E.

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Rome 489081 Ext. 491

LAND FORCES SUB-COMM. AC (MMIA) CMT

24/11/50/ME

Ministry of War.

26 Nov. '40.

See 429 52

Subject = Personnel - Italian.

Ref. this office letter ME/24/42 dated 8 Oct. '40.

May we please have an early reply.

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Major General,
GOC. MMIA.

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25 Nov.
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Memorandum

SUBJECT :- Personnel for Repair Services.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
M.M.I.A. R O M E.
ME/-4/-/49

2/ Nov. '48

TO :- Colonel A/Q

1. Reports from BLUs of recent months have commented on the effect that releases of trained personnel are having upon the effectiveness of units of the Italian Army, in that capable NCOs and men of two or three years service (more in many cases) are being replaced by young recruits after their training at CARS and, in some cases, at Central Military Schools. It now seems unlikely that these recruits even at the end of their years service will be as competent as those NCOs and men who have been released during the past few months.

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A similar state of affairs exists it is believed in the Cremona and Mantova Divisions though the writer has not visited these since July.

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4. To provide the Divisions with an adequate supply of skilled mechanics it seems that the arrangements at CARS

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for choosing students to be sent to these Centres must be reviewed to avoid the arrival at the Centres of a large number of soldiers who have not the very slightest mechanical ability.

5. Secondly, and this is a more important point, the Italian Army as a whole and the Divisions in particular cannot be expected to have reasonably efficient LADs and workshops unless they can obtain experienced soldier mechanics sufficient to form a half or two thirds of each LAD or workshops. The class of man required to meet this deficiency is generally between 25 and 35 year old and has had some eight or ten years mechanical experience, and in addition to his technical knowledge has sufficient character to become a Junior N.C.O.

These are not to be found among the classes being called up at present and special measures will be needed to obtain them.

6. Thirdly there is the question of recruiting young technical officers in which sphere there seems at present little activity though the need for such officers exists. It appears that the Italian Army would be well advised to consider a scheme of Short Service Commissions with conditions of service such as to attract some of the younger engineers now in civil life. It is believed that many of these, who have suitable qualifications, are in employment other than that for which they were trained because the engineering industry of Italy does not at present offer sufficient openings.

7. May your comments please be made known together with the steps that should be taken, as it is believed that the question of specialists had already been raised with the Ministry?

AB/ma

Lt Col,
A.D.M.E.

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SUBJECT : Personnel Return

ME Branch
3 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
Tel. 152965 Ext 126

TO : A.D.M.E.
M.M.I.A. Rome

ME/PER/44

12 Nov. 46

Herewith the return of personnel of "Legnano" Div Wksp
and LADS as requested in your ME/40/2/6 of 4 Sep 46: -

Unit	WE	Mil.Per. held	Mil. Per. to be released in class 1925	Civilian Per. held
Mech Eng Wksp	187	161	41	105
Mech Eng Pln	56	27	6	9
LADS	72	22	4	16

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FROM : H. of S.

REF : 940/000/1

TO : Inf. Department
H. of S. for 1950

DATE : 20/10/46.

SUBJECT: Revision of Inf. Department.

- 1) - P.O.F. 4th November the Inf. Department is formed.
- 2) - Function and Role
As shown in the attached table which will be inserted in the pamphlet "Functions and Role of the Inf."
- 3) - It will come under the Chief of Staff of H.S.
- 4) - Objectives
 - a) - To increase, as far as possible, the spirit and efficiency of the Infantry and Airborne troops as well as of the Divisional reserve troops, fostering the "esprit de corps".
 - b) - To promote the cooperation of other arms of service.
 - c) - To confer a unique instruction and method of training, adapting it to the technical improvement reached by the Infantry and other arms of service.
 - d) - To attract attention for the technical professional performance of the organization of the Infantry.
 - e) - To express their opinion on matters regarding the organization of units and of the Inf. schools as well as the mobilization, transport, equipment and the use of arms of equipment of the Infantry of service.
 - f) - To promote the study of new arm, technical arms and equipment and to supervise their carrying out: 6646
 - g) - To collaborate with the organizing and revision of the rules and instructions of the arm of service.
In order to carry out this task, the Inf. schools will keep in touch with the various offices of the H.S. and with the other arms of service Department.
- 5) - The General Directorate and Offices concerned will provide, upon request of the Department in question, the assignment of personnel and material required.

Subject :- Personnel Italian

To :- C II - 6 B.I.U.

SC RMG
7 British Liaison Unit,
c/o 6 B.I.U.
Tele 217 Area Ex 7

Ref. 533/5/35
23 Oct. 46

1.

Ref. our discussion on the question of personnel for the O.A.R.E., we give below full details and references of the important personnel difficulties to enable you to discuss this question with Gen. CURIA.

We also give details of Officers personnel who, due to their technical qualifications and suitability, the O.A.R.E. are anxious to obtain, this does not directly concern the 6 Terr. Comd. but they could possibly assist the O.A.R.E. with the cross posting of these Officers who are required for an extremely important position in the O.A.R.E. i.e. Capo della Sezione Invernazione Interne.

(a) Officers posted to the O.A.R.E. by Ministry of War authority 7968/28 dated 12 June 46 who have not yet been transferred

(Ten. Aut. s.p. COTILANO, Amedeo - Director of Riparato
(S. Ten. Aut. s.p. CIRIOLI, Giancarlo
(S. Ten. Aut. s.p. DOTTI, Argeo
(S. Ten. Cav. s.p. BIGNARDI, Luigi
(S. Ten. ut. s.p. MARCHETTI, Deodato

6 Terr. Comd.

(b) Officers Personnel requested by the O.A.R.E.

Capt. BORSTROMI - Eng. St. - Ministry of War
Capt. DORI - 1 Terr. Comd. - TURIN

(c) O.A.R.E. Indesmen loaned to 6 Repair Unit to assist initial development and now recalled

These total approx. 70 of whom 7 are clerks and although their return to the O.A.R.E. has already been ordered by the Ministry of War 4141/060397 dated 4/2/46, no action has been taken by 6 Terr. Comd. These personnel are now urgently required by the O.A.R.E.

(d) Authority for the additional 300 Technicians, Ministry of War ref. 223504/41 dated 18 Sept. 46 (see our letter BMS/5/30 dated 2 Oct. 46)

Without these personnel the O.A.R.E. will be unable to fulfil a fraction of the proposed Divisional Overhaul Programme and if the published in June 46 had been supplemented promptly, even with the present M.T. Spares shortage the 5 Divisions could have been given some 300 additional Classed Vechs.

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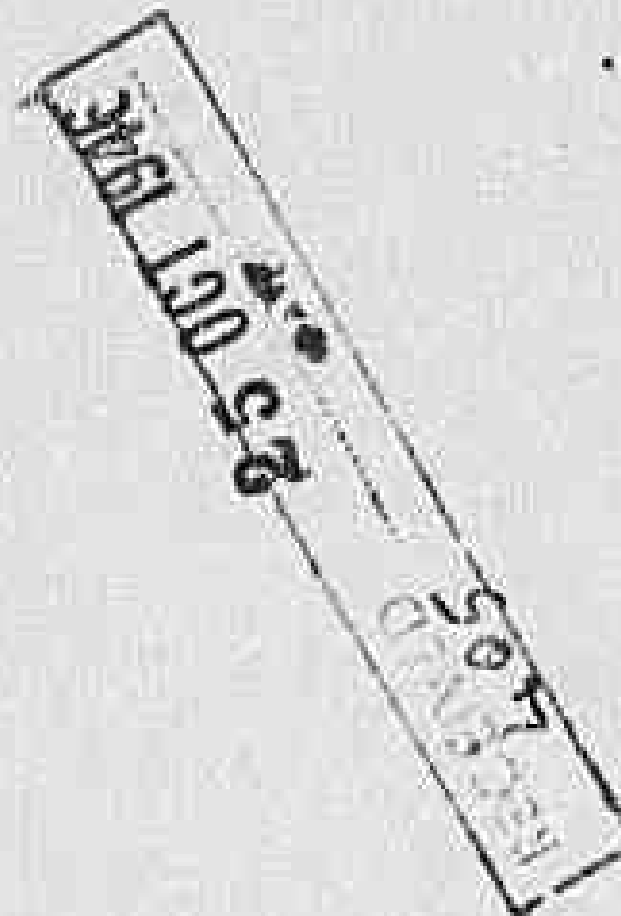
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Subject :- Personnel Italian

SC REME
7 British Liaison Unit,
c/o 6 B.L.U.
Tele 217 Area x 7

To :- ADME
Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A) ROME

Ref. EME/5/3A
15 Oct. 46

1. With further ref. to our EME/5/30 dated 2 Oct. 46 we enclose, as requested, copies of the Ministry of War letters ref. 223304/II and 119200/L/1.
2. The reconstruction work is now proceeding most satisfactorily and as additional accommodation for at least 300 Personnel is already available it is suggested that visists to the O.A.R.E. by Ministry of War personnel responsible for employment of Labour would bring home the necessity of prompt action on their part.

A.H. Nelson SC REME

Copy to :- 'Q' Branch - 6 B.L.U.
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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
GABINETTO

Prot. n. 223304/II

Roma 18 Sett. 1946

OGGETTO : Completamento organico Officina Automobilistica Riparazioni Esercito di
. Bologna.

.....Omissis.....

1) La Direzione Gen. Art. e Motorizzazione ha rappresentata la necessita' di completare l'organico delle maestranze dell'Officina Aut. Riparazioni Esercito di Bologna ed ha chiesto pertanto l'assunzione del seguente personale specializzato:

- motoristi	n. 50	- tappezziere	n. 15
- cambisti	" 20	- verniciatori	" 15
- elettrauto	" 20	- falegnami carrozzieri	" 20
- montatori	" 50	- lamieristi	" 15
- fabbri carrozzieri	" 20	- radiatori	" 15
- fabbri saldatori	" 10	- magnetisti	" 10
- tornitori	" 15	- fresatori	" 5
- aggiustatori	" 15	- rettificatori	" 5

2) - Su conforme parere dello S.M.E. si consente, in via del tutto eccezionale, l'assunzione del personale specializzato richiesto, che dovrà essere attuata gradualmente contemporaneamente al licenziamento di un pari numero di salariati presso altri Enti di questo Comando, per adeguamento degli organici a quelli stabiliti.

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IL CAPO DI GABINETTO
Fto: Lombardi

TELEGRAMMA MINISTERO GUERRA

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GUERRA CABINETTO Nr 119200/L/1 ALT PRESIDENZA CONSIGLIO MINISTRI MINISTERO TESORO
HA EET AUTORIZZATO CHE LICENZIAMENTO PERSONALE IMPIEGATIZIO NON DIRUOLO ET PERSONALE
SALARIATO NON DI RUOLO RESOSI ESURERANTE RISPETTO ORGANICI PROVVISORI VICORE COMPRESO
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PERSONALE ENTI SOPPRESSI SIA RINVIATO 31 OTTOBRE 1946 ALT DISPORRE URGENZA ALT
MINISTERO GUERRA FACCHINETTI ALT DATA 28 SETTEMBRE 1946 ALT.

Subject :- Turin Arsenal.

To :- A.D.M.E.
Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
HQ MMIA
Rome

R.E.M.E. Branch
1 British Liaison Unit
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5th October 1946

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Capt. R.E. Northey
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Turin

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Dear

Colonel.

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My impressions are shared by the Directors and we derive them from a series of letters, which have arrived here recently.

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The Director of the Arsenal since written a letter to Gen. Properzi, regarding this Genio work and he has received an answer from the General enclosing a copy of a letter which Gen. Properzi has written to the Direzione Genio asking them to authorise these repairs.

The above letters etc. at (a), (b), (c), which I have quoted may not have any bearing on any reduction policies and may well be just routine matters which can be explained away in a few words, such as :-

- (a) General economy to be exercised in all departments .
- (b) Purchase of these items arranged from Allied sources.
- (c) Prices quoted in contracts too high .

However, whatever the reason behind these letters etc., no reason has been given to the Arsenal, for all these points and in any case these excuses will not cover the letter received from Col. Lombardi .

All these letters have arrived here in Turin during the past few days and they seem, to say the least, rather ominous .

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- (a) Implement the new establishment completely in the very near future, or
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For instance here in the Arsenal, the workers elect their foreman NOT the Director. Thus if a foreman "chases" the workers, they soon elect someone who won't chase them. Consequently the foremen have to close their eyes to a lot of irregularities which normally would be pounced on immediately.

In addition the W.E. of the Arsenal before the Liberation was 25 Officers. Taking out the number required for Administration etc, it left a good number of officers available to walk round and see that the foremen do their job properly. Now they have only five officers, all of which are employed in Administration. Thus it will be seen that the Arsenal is to a certain extent

at the mercy of the workers. This situation is I believe common to all Government and Civil organizations at the moment, but gradually in this Arsenal, the old system of supervision of the workers are being introduced again. This naturally is a very slow process which is largely handicapped by shortage of Officers.

However this is not the subject of this letter, what does effect this, is that this continued countermanding of orders and issuing of restrictions causes extra work for the few Officers that are here, thus taking up what little time, they can give in w/shops supervision and causes chaos for a short time until things are reorganised.

To end this, I cannot help but feel that a conference as I have outlined above would do a lot of good, whether the Arsenal remains as it is or is reduced. I for one would welcome this meeting as it would allow of a co-ordinated policy to be drawn up and end once and for all this confusion.

Gen, Properzi is visiting Turin, during the coming week, to discuss the Arsenal work and as suggested on the phone, this evening, perhaps you may be able to come up at the same time and then we could make some plans for our future actions.

I'm sorry this has been such a long letter, but I know you would rather have all the points,

yours

Properzi

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

Il Capo Gabinetto

Roma, 17 Settembre 1946

Al Signor SCACCIÀ Luigi
Arsenale dell'Esercito

TO RINO

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In relazione a sua lettera diretta al Ministro Le comunico che il licenziamento del personale esuberante e' un provvedimento molto doloroso ma che d'altra parte e' inevitabile, in quanto l'Esercito deve ridursi in misura notevolissima e quindi tutta la organizzazione deve essere adeguata alla nuova struttura.

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In ogni modo i nostri licenziamenti sono collegati con lo sblocco dei licenziamenti in studio presso la Presidenza del Consiglio, che decidera' al riguardo con ogni cautela nell'interesse dei lavoratori e del Paese.

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SUBJECT :- Personnel - ItalianLast Report 2nd Oct. A.C.
E.H.I.S. H.O.H.S.

12/20/46

8 Oct. 1946

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TO :- Ministry of War

It is reported by our liaison officer at 6 BH that the S.I.R.L. at Bologna is considerably below the establishment in civilian personnel and that this holds up work.

On enquiring, he was advised that it was understood that this War Establishment could not be filled whilst other establishments in 6 Territorial Commands were employing civilians in excess of the establishment. It is not known if this is the case but as the maintenance of the vehicles of the Italian Army is handicapped thereby, it would be appreciated if you would investigate this matter and inform this Division of the War Establishment for civilian personnel and the actual number employed in each of the following branches in 6 Territorial Commands :-

Commissariat,
Artillery,
Intelligence,
Engineers,
Veterinary and Record,
Medical.

It is further suggested that certain regulations should be issued of certain surplus personnel though their services may not be required or be unsatisfactory. Will you please give information on this point?

The object of this request is if possible to find a means of bringing the S.I.R.L. up to full strength with efficient use of available funds. Any steps you can take towards this end, it is considered, should be taken immediately.

Your views on this matter would be appreciated.

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A. HUNT, M.A. M.C.
Assistant Director of Technical Engineering.
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SUBJECT: Personnel - Italian.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
R.I.A. H.C.M.E.
12/11/41

7 Oct. '46

TO: R.I.A.
attd. C.R.I.U. (3)

Ref. parae 2 and 3 of your R.I.A. 2/39 of 2 Oct. '46.

Since rectification of the situation disclosed by your letter rests partly with the Territorial Command you should discuss with C.R.I.U. the necessary action to be taken. No doubt you can point out to them that the development of a Ministry of War controlled unit (the C.A.R.S.) is being impeded by the surplus civilians held in various units controlled by Territorial Command, and that the Commander of C Territorial Command could assist by reporting this fact to the Ministry of War.

Please act on these lines and advise this office of the reference numbers and dates (copies are preferred) of important letters bearing on this matter.

In the meantime, the situation will be taken up with the Ministry, but as usual, the problem must be submitted through the proper channels i.e. from Territorial Command to Ministry.

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Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering.

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Subject :- Personnel Italian

To :- ADME

Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.H.I.A.) ROME

SC REME
7 British Liaison Unit,
c/o 6 B.L.U.
Tele 217 Area Ex 7

Ref. RE/5/30
2 Oct. 46

1. With further reference to our RE/5/28 dated 7 Sept. 46. The contents of your ME/40/13 is noted but all Divisional W/Shops are now down to approx. 100 Military Personnel of whom approx. 50% can only be considered suitable for G.D. purposes and the restrictions in connection with the employment and pay of Civilian Personnel make it practically impossible to supplement these W/Shops by this source.
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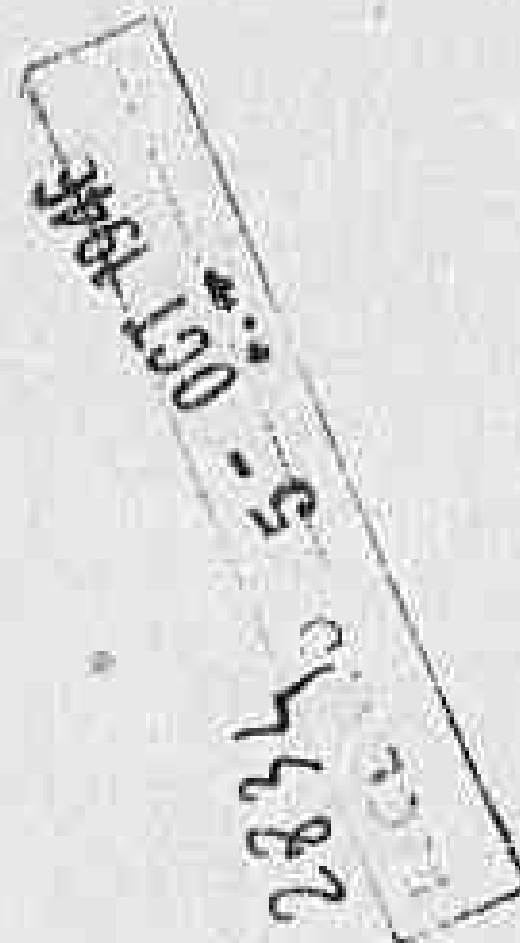
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APPENDIX 'A' to EME/5/30TABLE I

ADDITIONAL TRADESMEN FOR O.A.R.E. AUTHORIZED BY MINISTRY OF WAR
223304/B.E. - 18 Sept. 46

	No. 50		No. 15
Motoristi		Tappezzieri	
Cambiisti	" 20	Verniciatori	" 15
Eletrauto	" 20	Pallegnami carrozzieri	" 20
Montatori	" 50	Lavoristi	" 15
Fabbri Carrozzeri	" 20	Radioistoristi	" 15
Fabbri Saldatori	" 10	Magnetisti	" 10
Tornitori	" 15	Fresatori	" 5
Aggiustatori	" 15	Rettificatori	" 5
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O.A.R.E.	950	469		481
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	1097	1171	74	
				200 + 120

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Land Forces Air Comm. A.S.

A.M.I.A.

H O A E.

ME/40/13

13 Sept 46.

To :- A.M.I.A. & H.O.A.E.

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Reference your letter ME/40/13 dated 7 Sept. 44.

1. The plans for Divisional Wkaps have been revised and copies should in the near future be issued by Ministry of War.
2. However until the revised plans are actually implemented it is requested that you render your monthly personnel strength information based on the plans at present in force i.e. the Wkaps 1741 and Division Wkaps 43 and 2.1.43 + 14.
3. Information received by you to the effect that there are to be drastic reductions in the Divisional Wkaps and H.O.A.E. is incorrect.

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A. S. MOORE, Capt.

For Lt. Col.

Assistant Director of Technical Engineering.

A.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Personnel Italian

To:- ADME

HQ. Land Forces Sub. Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME

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7 Sept. 46

Ref. your RME/40/2/6/ dated 4 Sept.

1. The WE figures given in Table (see para 4) appear to be incorrect as WEs held by this office give totals for ME W/Shops: 174 ME Platoon W/Shops: 45 and L.A.D. : 12.
2. If these WE's have been amended we would appreciate revised copies but from discussions with Inf. Divs. it would appear that drastic reductions in the WE. are being made by SMRE and in some cases Divisional W/Shops have been restricted to the impractical Total of 100.
3. The whole question of WE's is apparently seriously effected by the 'fixed ceiling' for M.T. Specialist in the Italian Army which due to the excessive numbers of redundant Tradesmen held by such units as the Arsenal (1); the Arsenal at PIACENZA at present holds approx; 2000 instead of 300) prevents full implementing of other W/Shops.

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P.H. Vetter Signed
SC. REME

Off. DES W.F.

Janet Sept 5 - 187 UR/21/1 dated 1/8/46
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4 Sept 66

To: MEM., 1, 3, 4 and 6 MIL.

See Letter 37

Reference this office letter 10/1/66 dated 17 May and 10/1/67 dated 15 July 66.

1. From returns received in reply to our above mentioned letters information has been forwarded to the Ministry of War giving a complete record of the existing deficiencies of personnel in the Divisions, and it is anticipated that action will be taken by the Ministry for the training of personnel to fill these vacancies.
2. Therefore the 4's letters are hereby cancelled on further detailed returns are no longer required by this office.
3. However, in order that this office may have a record of the current holdings and deficiencies in personnel in the Divisions it is requested that addresses include monthly in their returns a consolidated return of personnel for Divisions and Headquarters and L.A.D's.
4. The return as requested in Item 3 above should be rendered in tabulated form as follows:-

UNIT	W.O.B.	Military Personnel Held (Total)	Military Personnel to be released in (a) Services (b) (c)	Civilians.
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Each Regt. Group	174			
Each Regt. Pl.	45			
L.A.D.	12			

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2. Thereafter two a/m letters are hereby cancelled as further detailed returns are no longer required by this office.
3. However, in order that this office may have a record of the current holdings and deficiencies in tabular form in the Division it is requested that returns be furnished monthly in their original and a consolidated return of tabular form for Divisional Engineers and I.A.D.C.
4. The return as requested in Para 3 above should be rendered in tabular form as follows:-

UNIT	U.S.	Military Personnel Held (Total)	Military Personnel to be released in (a) Service (b)	Civilians (c)
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Each Regt Wg	174			
Each Regt Fl	45			
I.A.D.C.	12			

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Subject:- Personnel "Friuli" Infantry Division Workshops and L.A.D.'s

Headquarters
4 B. L. U.
B o l z a n o
Ref.: 4/ME/8-234

6 September 1946

19 SEP 1946

To:- ADME, HQ. M.M.I.A.,
R o m e

1. Herewith attached for information are three lists showing the state of personnel in "Friuli" Inf. Div. W/Shops & L.A.D.'s as at 5 Sept. 46.
2. It is understood that 30 to 40 men are expected to arrive within the next few days to make up some of the deficiency of 178 personnel.
3. This new allotment of personnel although an improvement still leaves a deficiency of 138 to 148 personnel.
4. The authorized number of civilian workers is at present 66, therefore even after the arrival of the new allotment the Division will be deficient of 70 to 80 W/S personnel.

Enolos.

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

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COPY.RIEPILOGO PERSONALE OFFICINA MOBILE DIVISIONALE

	<u>Organico</u>	<u>Presenti</u>	<u>Differenza</u>
Totale	291	113	178
Of the above			
Totale specializzati	272	96	176

Trento, 5 September 1946.

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C O P Y .

DIVISIONE DI PANTERIA "TRIULI"
- Comando Officina Mobile -

<u>Personale</u>	<u>Organico</u>	<u>Presenti</u>
<u>UFFICIALI</u>		
Maggiore	1	1
Capitani o Tenenti	5	5
<u>SOTTOUFFICIALI</u>		
Arm. Mecc. motoristi	9	6
Scritturali	2	4
Magazzinieri	3	2
Furieri	1	1
<u>GRADUATI e TRUPPA</u>		
Armaioli	4	5 (comp. op. p. cannoni)
Motoristi	7	3
Telegrafisti	1	=
Fabbri	2	1
Falegnani	2	2
Tappezziere	2	=
Aut. Meccanici	41	13
Elettricisti	9	1
Aggiustatori (montatori)	7	10
Mecc. di precisione	2	1 (sottufficiale)
Pittore	1	=
Lattoniere	2	=
Radio montatore	3	=
Tornitori	3	1
Mecc. aggiustatori	25	10
Saldatori	3	1
Magazzinieri	10	=
Scritturali	6	5
Autieri e attendenti	2	=
Motociclisti	5	2
Lavori vari comp. i cuccinieri	16	10
1. Totale	174	84
2. Of above Totale specialisti	158	68 + 66 civilians

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COPY.PLOTONE OFFICINA TRASPORTI

<u>Personale</u>	<u>Organico</u>	<u>Presenti</u>
Capitani	1	1
Serg. magg. Meccanico	1	1
Sergenti meccanici	2	=
Cop. le Furiere	1	1
Fabbri	2	1
Scritturali per magazzini	2	1
Cucinieri	2	=
Falegnami	2	1
Pittore	1	=
Autieri e attendenti	6	1
Motociclisti	1	=
Elettricisti	4	1
Lattonieri	2	=
Tappezziere	1	=
Motoristi	11	7
Magazzinieri	2	=
Montatori	4	1
Totale	45	16
Of above		Of above
Totale specialisti	42	15

No Civilians.

5 September 1946.

L.A.D.

<u>Personale</u>	<u>Organico</u>	<u>Presenti</u>
Serg. Magg. Meccanici	6	2
Sergenti meccanici	6	1
Autieri meccanici	18	1
Elettricisti	6	=
Aggiustatori	18	9
Saldatori	6	=
Magazzinieri	12	=
Totale	72	13
Of above		Of above
Totale specialisti	72	13

No Civilians.

5 September 1946.

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Extract from G(SD) letter SD/152 dated 30 Aug. 46.

List of Tradesmen at present receiving specialist pay.

1. Meccanici. (Fitter)
2. Artificieri. (Artificier)
3. Operai Artiglieria. (Gun Fitters)
4. Elettricisti. (Electrician)
5. Meccanici Precisione. (Precision Mechanics)
6. Meccanici. (Mechanics)
7. Falegnami. (Carpenters)
8. Saldatori. (Welder)
9. Conduttori, ^{veicoli} Marconisti. (Driver Operator)
10. Vernicelli. (Painter)
11. Montatori, Radio Montatori. (Fitters)
12. Conduttori, Automezzi. (Driver) when driving only
13. Conduttori, Meccanici. (Driver Mechanics) when driving only
14. Motoristi, Conduttori. (Driver i/c) when driving only
15. Armatori. (Armourer)

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Subject:- Duties of Director of Repairs & Territorial Command.

Headquarters

4 B. L. U.

B o l s a n o

Ref.: L/MR/24-43

2 September 46.

To:- G.O. & B.L.U.
ADMR, HQ. M.M.I.A., Rene.

1. Attached are lists of the duties of the Director of Repairs & Territorial Command with comments of ADMR added.

2. It is considered that this officer has far too many duties and cannot possibly cope with all successfully, and it is therefore requested that the situation be reviewed.

3. The following is proposed :-

- (a) That some of the duties be transferred to the more appropriate offices of the Command.
- (b) That in the cases of paras 5 and 10 of List 1 and paras 11 & 12 of List 2 this work (being temporary) be relegated to surplus officers of which, it is understood, there are a great number.

W. H. L.
Capt.
S.O. 10202 & B.L.U.

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RECEIVED 10 SEP 1946

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Translation.

Subject: DURING OF THE DISCOVERY OF VEHICLE REPAIRS
WITH SPECIAL REGARD TO THE ACTIVITY OF THE DISCOVER.

COMANDO MILITARE TERRITORIALE DI BOLZANO (IV)
- Direzione Regionale Automobilistica -
Ref.: Aut/696/G/27/Ris.

Bolzano, 24 July 1946.

1. Issuance and distribution of all correspondence giving directives.
Signature of all these instructive letters.
2. Technical management of the repairs with the view to get the vehicles and motorcycles efficient (4 workshops).
3. Authority for purchase of spares required for the vehicles under repair in the units (sections). Checking estimates of prices.
4. Preventing bidding when selling surplus vehicles with category - M.O.W. signal 24000 dated 25 February 46.
5. Promoting bidding for sale of automobiles - M.O.W. signal 36430 dated 14 July 46.
Should have an officer for this work only.
6. Traffic accidents - Signal ref. No. 6/1471/ser. dated 26 November 1945 from Ministry of War - Military Service 'Army' - Service Office - M.I. Section.
7. Questions of discipline and penalty, submitted by the units under this command, and enquiries (= investigations).
8. Authorizing retention of vehicles held by civilians - M.O.W. signal 22645/5000 dated 15 April 46.
9. Rendering of vehicles requisitioned from civilians, being in the car park and being claimed for - M.O.W. signal 22574/046247 dated 15 October 1945.
10. Checking of and approval to estimates, submitted by the Workshops under this command, and referring to expenses for repairs or purchase of material at workshops or at civilian firms. Frequently I must give my approval to the estimates sent to me without duly investigating, as it is impossible to check thoroughly all estimates submitted.
11. The above has been ordered by the Ministry of War by circular letter No. 6/1579/ser. dated 10 April 1946 - Military Service 'Army' - Service Office - M.I. Section, besides the normal duties of the Directory (enclosure 2 to circular letter No. 2200 of the M.O.W. - Gen. Artillery & Motorization) and the supervision and inspection of the Units which have vehicles on their charge, including the Units (Sections) of the "Fini" Division.

- and motorcycles efficient (4 workshops).
2. Authority for purchase of spares required for the vehicles under repair in the units (sections). Checking estimates of prices.
3. Promoting bidding when selling derelict vehicles 4th category - M.O.W. signal 24000 dated 25 February 45.
4. Promoting bidding for sale of autobuses - M.O.W. signal 30450 dated 14 July 45.
5. Traffic accidents - Signal ref. No. 5/1474/Serv. dated 26 November 1945 from Ministry of War - Military Service 'Army' - Service Office - M.F. Section.
6. Questions of discipline and penalty, submitted by the units under this command, and enquiries (= investigations).
7. Authorizing retention of vehicles held by civilians - M.O.W. signal 22645/3000 dated 15 April 45.
8. Rendering of vehicles requisitioned from civilians, being in the car parks and being claimed now - M.O.W. signal 22574/016247 dated 15 October 1945.
9. Checking of and approval to estimates, submitted by the Workshops under this command, and referring to expenses for repairs or purchase of material at workshops or at civilian firms. Frequently I must give my approval to the estimates sent to me without duly investigating, as it is impossible to check thoroughly all estimates submitted.
10. The above has been ordered by the Ministry of War by circular letter No. 6/1573/Serv. dated 10 April 1945 - Military Service 'Army' - Service Office - M.F. Section, besides the normal duties of the Directorate (enclosure 2 to circular letter No. 2200 of the M.O.W. - 4th Artillery & Motorisation) and the supervision and inspection of the units which have vehicles on their charge, including the units (Sections) of the "Prinzip" Division.

(sgd) THE DIRECTOR OF REPAIRS
COLONEL DAVID PROFFER.

W/H.

Translation.

(Enclosure 2 to letter No. 2300 dated 4 April 1945 of the Ministry of War - General Headquarters Artillery & Motorisation)

THE DUTIES OF THE G.O.'s VEHICLE REPAIR UNITS
OF THE TERRITORIAL COMMAND :-

- A) In the capacity of a co-ordinated authority giving directives for the vehicle material services of the area :-
- (1) Hold inspections - these restricted to the vehicle spare service of all units of the area which have vehicles on their charge - and also to inspect the repair services of the units.
 - (2) Supervision of the technical training of the driver/M.T. personnel.
 - (3) Submit the demands and suggestions re assignment of specialized personnel required, to the Ministry of War, G.H.Q. Artillery & Motorisation.

- B) In the capacity of a detached branch of the Ministry of War - G.H.Q. Artillery & Motorisation - in the area which keeps up a direct correspondence with the G.H.Q. :-

- (1) Supervision of and co-ordination with the vehicle repair services in whole of the area in accordance with the directives given by the M.O.W. - G.H.Q. Art. & Mot.
- (2) Technical supervision of the engagement and application of the vehicles of all units in this area.
- (3) Take up relations with the civilian schools for specializing of labour, and control the evolving of the training courses held on orders of the M.O.W. - in accordance with the directives given by the M.O.W. - G.H.Q. Art. & Mot.
- (4) Establish the records concerning presentation of driver-certificates for vehicles on military services, and keep the respective registers (instruction in M.I. service - vol. II).
- (5) Report to the M.O.W. - G.H.Q. Art. & Mot. - the number of diplomas issued during the year (see No. 167 of the above-said instruction).
- (6) Take a census of the vehicles.
- (7) Direct and control the duties of classification, assignment and recovery of vehicles, motorcycles, tyres, spares etc.
- (8) Supervise and check the fire-plant and petrol machinery of the petrol points.
- (9) Give judgment on all

- (2) Supervision of the technical training of the driver/M.T. personnel.
- (3) Submit the demands and suggestions re assignment of specialized personnel required, to the Ministry of War, GHQ, Artillery & Motorisation.

B)

In the capacity of a detached branch of the Ministry of War - GHQ, Artillery & Motorisation - in this area which bears up a direct correspondence with the GHQ, I.

- (1) Supervision of and co-ordination with the vehicle repair services in whole of the area in accordance with the directives given by the M.O.W. - GHQ, Art. & Mot.
- (2) Technical supervision of the engagement and application of the vehicles of all units in this area.
- (3) Take up relations with the civilian schools for specializing of labours, and control the evolving of the training courses held on orders of the M.O.W. - in accordance with the directives given by the M.O.W. - GHQ, Art. & Mot.
- (4) Establish the records concerning presentation of driver-certificates for vehicles on military service, and keep the respective registers (instruction in M.T. service - vol. II).
- (5) Report to the M.O.W. - GHQ, Art. & Mot. - the number of diplomas issued during the year (see No. 167 of the above-said instruction).
- (6) Take a census of the vehicles.
- (7) Direct and control the duties of classification, assignment and recovery of vehicles, motorcycles, tyres, spares etc. **6619**
- (8) Supervise and check the fire-plant and petrol machinery of the petrol points.
- (9) Give judgment on all questions relating to M.T., put before them by the M.T. Units, at their discretion.
- (10) Give judgment regarding suggestions for appendices to and modifications of the nomenclature group C and for amendments to the nomenclature of vehicle material.

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a full time
job.

- (11) Control and supervise the provisioning and respective work concerning vehicle and motorcycle material, which the units must submit to the Ministry for approval; and they will add their opinion re clauses of contracts and prices.
- (12) Check the applications for sale of M.T. material and utter their opinion from the technical and economical point of view.
- (13) Liaison with the provincial offices of the R.A.C.I. on control of civilian vehicle traffic etc. which may interfere with military traffic.

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Subject: Civilian EmployeesLand Forces Sub Comm A.V.
M.M.I.A. R O M-E.
ME/24/31

5 Sept 46

To : Corp Commandant.ADELE GUARNERI

I : Please note that:

the above mentioned civilian typist ceases to be
employed by this office w.e.f. 12.00 hrs. 7 Sept. 46.*AK*A. E. MCKRIDGE, Capt.
for Lt. Col.
Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering.
M.M.I.A.

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By 5/9/46

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59 HQ MMIA ROME. (FOR ADME)
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REFERENCE ME. EME/5/18 DATED 14TH AUG . RE-POEXXXX POSTING
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HAVE TAKEN ACTION 7 TERRITORIAL COMMAND BUT IT APPEARS THAT
POSTING WAS INITIATED BY 7 TERR. COM. (.) IN VIEW OF PROPOYED
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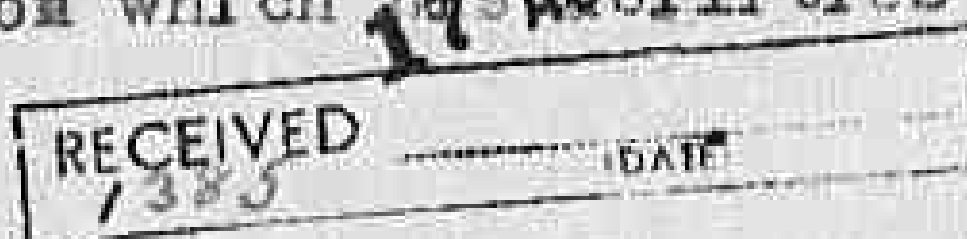
Subject: - Personnel Italian.

To: - DAA& QMG.
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SC. REME.
7 British Liaison Unit.
c/o 6 B.L.U.
Tele. 217 Area
EME/5/18
14 August 46

Tenants FORMENTI W/Shop Officer No.7 Repair Unit.

1. We have heard unofficially that the above Officer is to be posted away from the No. 7 Repair Unit.
2. This officer is extrimely competent and has been mainly responsible for the organisation and running of this Repair Unit, which is one of the most efficient Wksp in the Territorial Commands.
3. In view of the above could action please be taken throu 7 Terr. Comd. and Italian War Office to cancel this posting as it is most desirable that Tenante Formenti should remain in No. 7 RU. and if possible be given the promotion which his abilities most definitely warrant.



Copy to: ADME ~~MMIA~~

P.H. Nelson Signed
SC. REME

Recd.
6616 August

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Personnel File

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Subject:- Tradesmen - Italian Army.

8 BRITISH LIASON UNIT C.M.F.

8/9/7

11 July 1946

To :- H.Q. M.M.I.A.N.F.A
dlh.

Enquiries made with regard to the employment of tradesmen in the Italian Army have suggested the following:-

1. The present policy seems to be the employment of local labour to an overwhelming extent.

There appears to be no policy of building up a body of skilled tradesmen specialised in the peculiar needs of the service.

Preference appears to be to pay extremely high wages (comparatively) to civilians rather than to create reasonably paid, efficient nucleus of soldiers on whom reliance can be placed to do their duty without political or labour bias in whichever place their services are of most benefit to their country.

2. It is submitted that if the Ministry of War would implement a policy for the progressive increase in pay and rank for tradesmen according to their abilities, the following benefits would accrue:-

- (a) Save expense.
- (b) Build up a force with special knowledge capable of supervising civilian labour in case of expansion.

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(c) Create a contented and loyal force of workers available for deployment as and when needed.

(d) Give an incentive to regular service.

(e) This would have no effect on unemployment as the soldier must be considered as employed.

3. In initiating this policy the following points should be considered:-

(a) The ordering of standard trade tests with resulting benefit in rank and/or pay.

(b) The soldiers should enlist for (say) a seven years term of colour service with the possibilities of re-enlistment if approved up to pensionable age.

4. It is known that the authorities say that when the schools have passed out the learners tradesmen at present undergoing instruction there will be no shortage of tradesmen or specialists.

The point is that an efficient tradesman cannot be turned out in a few months and that when his service is the normal period of compulsory service he has no sooner joined his unit than he is beginning to think of his discharge.

5. The content of this letter has been written with the Mechanical Transport in mind.

6. A study of the Army list of Tradesmen reveals many analogous trades. These should be cut down to parent trades so that the specialist is really a specialist.

HP/eg.

Copy to:- 8 Territorial Command.

H.J.O. PRINSLOO, Major.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.

SUBJECT :- Civilian Employees : pay.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E.
ME/24/27

1 August 46

E.M.E.
4 B.L.U.

Reference Para 2 of your Sitrep 5/R 23 dated 15th.
July 46.

1. The following points are made in respect of the sub
Paras of your e/m Sitrep:-

(a) Sub Para 2(a) :- Obviously active steps should be taken by
O.C. Workshops to investigate and clarify any suspicions or
grievances of employees on the question of pay.

(b) Sub Para 2(b) :- If however, due to the rather complicated
System of Pay, the O.C. Workshop cannot satisfy all employees
Pay problems and is also unable to produce a working system of
Pay and grading within his unit, he should refer the problem
to the next higher Italian Authority for clarification and/or
assistance.

(c) Sub Para 2(c) :- Enquiries have been made by this office into
the possibility of issuing information on rates of pay and method
of increasing wages etc but due to the complicated Italian system
of Pay which is based on each individual employees qualifications
and size of family etc it is regretted that it is impossible to
issue such information and therefore the only solution to the
problem will be for the O.C. Units to take action as in Paras 1(a)
and (b) above.

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July 46.

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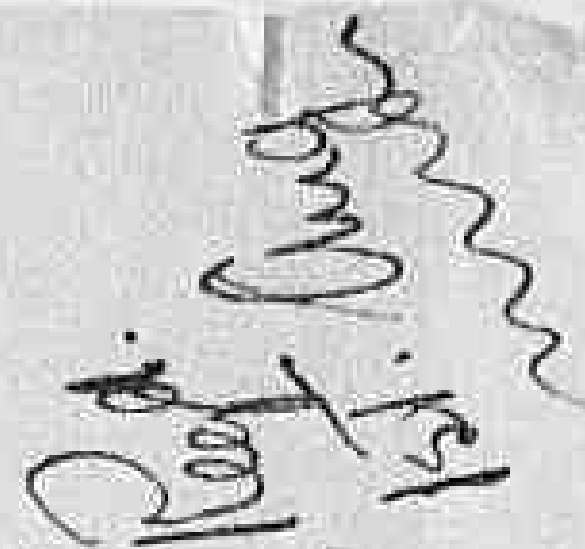
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W.J. FRANKLIN, Major,
DADDE,
for Lt. Col.

Assistant Director of Mechanical Engineering, M.M.I.A.

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Subject:- Italian Personnel - Promotion

To :- ADME
HQ. Land Forces Sub-Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME

605 29 JUL 1946

ROME, 26

SC REME
7 British Liaison Unit,
c/o 6 B.L.U.
Tel. 217 Area Ex 7

Ref. EME/5/14
25 July 1946

Ref. proposed promotion of Maj. BELLUZZI to Lt. Col.

As Officer personnel are now arriving in the O.A.R.E. to complete the W.E. we feel that if possible action should be taken to expedite the promotion of Maj. BELLUZZI as considerable benefits will accrue and difficulties in organisation will be avoided.

A.H. Nelson SC REME

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TRANSLATION

FROM: M. of W.

REF: 38062/DM
051927

TO : M.M.I.A.

DATE: 24/7/46

SUBJECT: Salaries for civilian employees.

See folder 23

This Ministry acknowledges that the proposals made by your Sub-Commission are right, and similar requests have been forwarded by us to Authorities concerned.

Unfortunately, at present it is not possible that the said proposals be accepted, because rules at present in force does not permit the dismissals, and lay down salaries within the following limits:

Temporary workers married and having 3 persons.

To feed:

Category	maximum salary	minimum
1st Class	L. 14580	13.160
2nd "	" 14.110	12.200
3rd "	" 12.200	12.000

Permanent workers married and having 3 persons.

They are paid all days in a year; with the following salaries including allotment and extra pay:

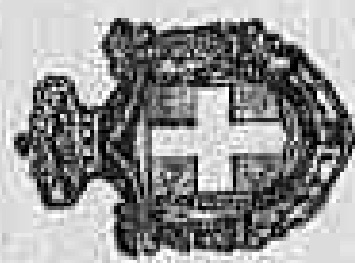
Category	maximum salary	minimum
1st chief worker	L. 14.331	L. 13.082
2nd	" 13.667	" 12.077
3rd	" 12.372	" 10.930

This Ministry will consider the possibility of applying your proposals as soon as a change of the regulations in force will permit us to do this.

J.T.

Aug 29/7/46

Sgd. PROPERZI
Gen.



AS/aa

Roma,

Al LA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA SOTTOCOMMISS-
SIONE PER LE FORZE ARMATE (M.K.I.A.)

Ministero della Guerra

ISPEZIONE GENERALE DELLA INCORPORAZIONE

DIREZIONE GEN. ART. E MOTORIZZAZIONE

Divisione Mot. Sezione 2^a

Prot. N° 8062 / DM Allegati 51927

Risposta al l.° del 13.5.46

Div. Sez.

N° 13/21/25

REPR.

ROMA

OGGETTO: salari alle maestranze civili.-

Questo Ministero riconosce la giustezza delle proposte inoltrate da codesta Sottocommissione ed ha avanzato alle autorità competenti conformi richieste.

Purtroppo, per il momento non si può attuare quanto proposto in quanto le vigenti disposizioni vietano i licenzia-
menti e fissano salari compresi nei seguenti limiti:

Operai temporanei coniugati con 3 persone a carico:

categoria	retribuzione mass. ecc.	minima
1 ^a spec.	£. 14.580	£. 13.160
2 ^a	" 14.110	" 12.200
3 ^a	" 12.200	£ 12.000

Operai permanenti coniugati con 2 figli - pagati tutti i giorni dell'anno; paga comprensiva di premio perequativo e sopra-

soldo:

categoria	massima ecc.	minima
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p. IL MINISTRO

Manzoni

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*Divisione 11/1
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It there ~~would~~ not the present alarming unemployment ~~be~~ ^{of 650,000} therefore the need to employ the greatest number of workers possible, we would have already put into effect for some time the suggested policy of reducing the unskilled staff in number and increase, in ^{an} ~~in~~ ~~increasing~~ proportion to the reduction of the latter the skilled one, obtaining thus the advantages stressed in para 2 i.e. improvement in the quality and quantity of production, saving of raw materials due to small errors, less supervising ~~and~~

SUBJECT: Civilian Workers Wages.

There should be no difference in wages paid to state employed workers and those employed by civilian firms.

However it has not been possible to standardise these wages yet.

This holds up the recruiting of a skilled staff for State factories.

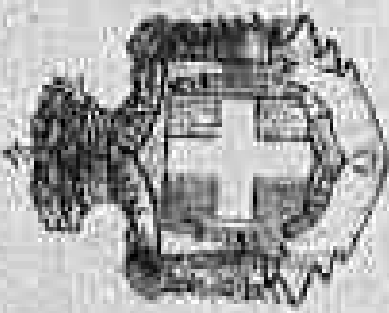
Wages of state employed civilians are laid down in a uniform way, i.e. there is a minimum and maximum pay, for class and trade, which must be complied with by all state administrations when engaging man-power. Therefore, in order to comply with the suggestions referred to in para 2 of the a/m letter, it will be necessary to increase the present rate of skilled workers to class wages (foremen).

It is obvious, that, owing to the existing rates of pay, the a/m increase would apply to all state employees and therefore not only those employed by M.T. repair units. The problem, due to its financial repercussions, would have to be examined not only concerning military administration, but also National admin.

It there were not the present alarming unemployment ⁶⁵⁰⁰⁰ therefore the need to employ the greatest number of workers possible, we would have already put into effect for some time the suggested policy of reducing the unskilled staff in number and increase, in ^{AN INCREASE} proportion to the reduction of the latter the skilled one, obtaining thus the advantages stressed in para 2 i.e. improvement in the quality and quantity of production, saving of raw materials due to small errors, less supervising ^{any} expenses.

Sgd. PROPERZI
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Ministro della Guerra
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Int. N. 35418/Di. Allegati

Roma, 31 MAG. 1946

ALLA LAND FORCES SUB COLM.A.C.
(MILIA)

ROLLA

Risposta al Foglio del 13 OTT.
Dev. Sec. 29.12/2145

OGGETTO Paghe operai civili.

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nel solo campo dell'amministrazione militare, ma in quello nazionale.

Se non vi fosse la preoccupante disoccupazione ora esistente, e quindi la necessità di occupare il maggior numero possibile di operai, già da tempo sarebbe stato attuato il suggerito criterio di ridurre quantitativamente le maestranze comuni e di aumentare, in proporzione inversa alla riduzione di quest'ultima, quella specializzata, conseguendo così i vantaggi cennati nell'evento richiamato n.2, e cioè: miglioramento qualitativo e quantitativo della produzione, risparmio di materia prima per minori scarti di lavorazione, minori spese di sorveglianza, ecc.-

P. IL MINISTRO

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Report: Payment of Civilian Labor.

Ministry of War

Lord Rensselaers (Gen., A.C.,
(M. H. I. A.)
18/21/23

13 May 26

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For example a Unit employing:-

3 foremen at 15,000 Lira	=	45,000 Lira
10 charge-hands at 10,000 Lira	=	100,000 Lira
79 workmen at 7,000 Lira	=	553,000 Lira
		698,000 Lira

costs slightly less than one employing 100 workmen at 7,000 Lira, and in addition the advantages mentioned in paragraph 2 would accrue.

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5 foremen at 15,000 Liras	=	75,000 Liras
10 charge-hands at 10,000 Liras	=	100,000 Liras
70 workmen at 7,000 Liras	=	490,000 Liras
		<u>665,000 Liras</u>

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Ref your letter HQ/109 dated 4 June.

1. It is regretted that no official reply has been sent.

Lt Col SCUTNEY was informed verbally on 2 or 3 June that there was no substance in this rumour.

No such Cable has been received from the War Office.

2. It is thought that possibly there has been some confusion with a letter received from the War Office regarding payment for RASU supplies for the ITALIAN Navy and Air Force which are to be paid for in sterling after 1 April 46.

3. For your information no reply has yet been received from the War Office to our cable asking for a decision regarding the method of financial settlement for equipment handed over to the ITALIAN Govt for the Army.

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M. F. M. WATKINS,
 Major General,
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 5 July

TRANSLATIONM E M OSUBJECT: M.T. Technical Service.

10/4/46

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2 - Situation of the M.T. Technical Service after 8th Sept. 1943.

When the armistice was declared, the Lt. Gen. i/c (who had both appointments of General Director and of Superior Director of the M.T. Technical Service) and 2 Maj. Generals, remained at their place in the M.ofW.

He did his best to also retain the other officers (except those belonging to the Superior Directorate because it had been disbanded) particularly those having ~~very~~ responsible duties, Directors of factories and civilian personnel, or consignees of large quantities of materials of high value; such as, for example, the Director of OARE, the Director of the Centro Studi, the Director of Turin Supply Office.

The Policy followed by the Lt. Gen. i/c is not for me to comment on.

I point out, however, that, during the period of confusion after the 8th Sept. 1943 a General Director who remained in his place and invited all his subordinates (who worked with him for 10-15 years) to follow his example, giving them guarantees, could not have but had a strong and just influence on the decisions of the large number of excellent officers, who, disciplined by nature, did not seek, at that moment, ~~any~~ other than a Chief who could command them.

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- b) - even if having men with university degrees or well educated officers, these would lack the necessary experience, which can only be acquired through long practice.

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In awarding punishments to the officers referred to above, it appears that they have not been justly tried.

For instance, for the same offence committed at the same time and at the same place:

- a) - the same punishment - i.e. severe reprimand ~~was~~ ^{was} awarded to both the General i/c and his subordinate personnel;

- (b)- a Senior Officer who swore and served till June 4th 1944, has been reemployed (at Milan), while others, in the same conditions, who did not swear, have not been reemployed (in Rome)
- (c)- the General i/c has been awarded a "severe reprimand" and the Senior Officer under his immediate command who has always worked under him, has been "dismissed from the service" (Rome).-

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Remedies.

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- (b)- To form a Commission, which should also include a Colonel of the MT. Technical Service, acquainted with the conduct of each officer and also with the situation of the MT. Technical Service on the date of the armistice, in order to re-examine the situation of the officers in question, taking into ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~considerations~~ ^{the situation as} the punishments awarded to them and ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~considerations~~ ^{the situation as}

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d)- To open a competition among Captains of the Arty and Engrs. Corps, the M.T. Corps, the Armoured Car Corps who have attended courses of Arty and Engrs at the Advanced School, and among Captains of any arm of service or Corps who have a degree in Industrial Engineering and send those suitable for a 2 ~~year~~ ^{year} course at the Centro Studi, the Polytechnic of Turin and other establishments, in order to have, by 1948, an adequate number of Technical Junior Officers. In addition to the above, being a permanent arrangement lasting a long period of time, it is essential to make other temporary arrangements in connection with the number of personnel available at the present moment.

e)- To consider attached to M.T. Technical Service (although leaving them in their present assignment for career reasons) officers of the M.T. Corps, Arty and Engrs Technical Services, Armoured Cars and other arms of service, who have a specific knowledge in repairs and training and who are able to direct Repair Directorates Schools, Repair Units, Inf. Div. W/shop and large POL. Depots.

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The list enclosed herewith shows the W/E (which should be the minimum number of officers of MT. Technical Service and of officers attached) pointing out that the W/Es are more reduced than the prewar W/E, and hence, those of a period during which the Army had a vehicles W/E smaller than at present and did not have, as it has to-day, MT. vehicles issued to all Units and Corps.

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W/E OF OFFICERS OF M.T. TECHNICAL SERVICE (including Officers attached)

Officers of MT Technical Service	Gen.s	Col.s	Lt.Col.s & Maj.s	Capt.s	
General Directorate of Motorization	I	2	5	-	(1) plus 7 Cols attached to Motoriz. Technical Serv
Army MT w/shop and Subw/shops	-	I	2(3)	6	(2) I attached to Motoriz. Technical Serv
Army Directorate of Spares supply	-	I	2(3)	2	(3) Plus I attached.
Centro Studi	-	I	4	2	(4) " " 10 (5) " " 4 (6) " " I
Repair Directorates	-	4(I)	-	-	
Repair Units	-	-	4(4)	4(7)	(7) plus 10 attached.
Inf.Div. W/shops	-	-	-	5	
Large P.O.L. Depots	-	-	-(5)	-	Total of Officers attached:
Motorization Schools		-(2)	I(6)	2	
T o t a l	I	9	18	21	Cols : 8 Lt.Cols: 15 & Maj.s: Capt.s: 10

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Roma, il 10 Aprile 1946

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Revelation

Priority 2
Effluency
5 June.OGGETTO: Servizio Tecnico Motorizzazione.

Premessa - La situazione dei quadri del S.Te.M. è oggi estremamente critica per effetto degli avvenimenti e dei provvedimenti conseguenziali dall'8 settembre 1943 in poi.

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2	Magg. " " " "
3	Generali richiamati della riserva
6	Colonelli
8	Ten. Colonnelli
17	Maggiori
2	Capitani
<u>39 ufficiali</u>	

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2°) - Situazione del S.F.E.M. dopo l'8 settembre 1943.

All'atto dell'armistizio, il Ten. Generale Capo Servizio (che riuniva in sé le due cariche di Direttore Generale e di Direttore Superiore del S.F.E.M.) e 3 Maggiori Generali in

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S.P.R., rimanere al loro posto al Ministero.

Il Capo Servizio cercherà di tenere al loro posto anche gli altri Ufficiali (esclusi quelli della Direzione Superiore perché disciplinati) con particolare riguardo a quelli aventi incarichi di maggiore responsabilità. Direttori di stabilimenti con personale civile o consegnatari di ingenti quantità di materiali di elevato valore; quali ad esempio, il Direttore dell'O.A.R.S., il Direttore del Centro Studi Ricerche, il Direttore dell'Ufficio Approvvigionamenti di Torino.

Quale fosse il criterio informatore del Capo Servizio in tale azione non sta a me prospettare.

Così è soltanto che, in un periodo di disorientamento come quello susseguito all'8 settembre 1943, un Direttore Generale che resta al suo posto e che invita i suoi dipendenti (che con lui hanno lavorato per 10-15 anni) a fare altrettanto, dando loro certo garanzie, non può non aver avuto una fortissima, giustificabile influenza sulle decisioni di una massa di ottimi Ufficiali, che, disciplinati, per natura, non cercavano in quel momento che un Capo da cui prendere direttive.

3°) - Situazione attuale del S.P.R.

Dopo i provvedimenti di discriminazione, di epurazione e per il ricollocamento nella riserva degli Ufficiali a suo tempo richiamati o trattenuti, sono rimasti in servizio:

2	Colonnelli
3	Ten. Colonnelli
6	Maggiori
1	Capitano

In totale: 12 Ufficiali, cioè poco più di 1/4 degli esistenti all'8 settembre 1943.

I rimanenti Ufficiali in S.P.R. del S.P.R., hanno richiesto sanzioni varie: dall'esenzione dal servizio attivo, al rinvio vero e solenne, agli A.R.

Sta di fatto che nessuno di questi ultimi Ufficiali è, secondo le disposizioni vigenti, reimpiegabile: ciò che praticamente ed inevitabilmente significa la distruzione di un Servizio per un complesso di circostanze negative che, se mai, sembrerebbe giusto far dividere da direttive.

Torino.-

Quale fosse il criterio informatore del Capo Servizio in tale azione non sta a me prospettare.-

Ceservo soltanto che, in un periodo di disorientamento come quello susseguito all'8 settembre 1943, un Direttore Generale che resta al suo posto e che invita i suoi dipendenti (che con lui hanno lavorato per 10-15 anni) a fare altrettanto, dando loro certe garanzie, non può non aver avuto una fortissima, giustificabile influenza sulle decisioni di una massa di ottimi Ufficiali, che, discepoli per natura, non cercavano in quel momento che un Capo da cui prendere direttive.-

20) - Situazione attuale del S.T.C.M.

Dopo i provvedimenti di disordinazione, di epurazione e per il ricollocamento nella riserva degli Ufficiali a suo tempo richiamati o trattenuti, sono rimasti in servizio:-

2 Colonnelli
3 Ten. Colonnelli
6 Maggiore
1 Capitano

In totale: 12 Ufficiali, cioè poco più di 1/4 degli esistenti all'8 settembre 1943.-

I rimanenti Ufficiali in S.T.C.M. del S.T.C.M. hanno ricevuto sanzioni varie: dall'esonero dal servizio attivo, al rimpiego vero e proprio, agli A.R.-

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Né si può pensare ad una collettiva ricostruzione del Servizio con elementi idonei perché:-

a) - con le difficoltà di vita e gli stipendi in atto non

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si possono reclutare elementi idonei allo scopo, senza prospettiva alcuna né economica né di carriera;

b) - anche disponendo di laureati e di ufficiali con adeguati basi culturali, essi mancherebbero della necessaria esperienza, che soltanto lunghi anni di pratica, nel campo specifico, possono dare.-

4°) - Nella determinazione delle sanzioni per gli ufficiali di cui sopra, si è verificata anche una disparità di trattamento, dovuta forse a cause che sfuggono a chi non abbia elementi di giudizio completi.-

Ad esempio per uno stesso addebito, per mancanza compiute contemporaneamente o nello stesso ambiente:-

a) - è stata inflitta la stessa punizione - rimpiego - solenne tanto al Generale Capo Servizio quanto ai suoi dipendenti;

b) - un ufficiale superiore che ha giurato e prestato servizio fino al 4 giugno 1944 è stato rimpiegato in servizio (Milano), mentre altri in condizioni analoghe, ma che non hanno giurato, non sono stati rimpiegabili (Roma);

c) - il Generale Capo Servizio ha avuto un disprezzo solenne l'ufficiale superiore che da lui strettamente dipendeva e che con lui ha sempre lavorato è stato "dispensato dal servizio" (Roma.-

5°) - Rimedi.-

In relazione a quanto sopra esposto e richiamandosi alla prospettata esigenza di disponibilità di ufficiali del S.Te.M. nel confronto delle imprevedibili necessità proposte:-

a) - di rimpiegare, almeno con provvedimenti temporanei, i Ten. Col., Maggiori e Cap. del S.Te.M. non "dispensati dal servizio", con particolare riguardo ai 5 ufficiali del Centro Studi Motorizzazione, per poter effettuare subito i corsi di cui in appresso, per creare nuovi istruttori; ne, soprattutto, per poter riprendere l'esame, l'esperimentazione e la divulgazione tecnico-professionale dei mezzi di nuova distribuzione nazionali ed alleati.

cui sopra, si è verificata anche una disparità di trattamento, dovuta forse a cause che sfuggono a chi non abbia elementi di giudizio completi.--

Ad esempio per uno stesso addebito, per mancanze compiute contemporaneamente e nello stesso ambiente:--

a) - è stata inflitta la stessa punizione - risprovero collettivo tanto al Generale Capo Servizio quanto ai suoi dipendenti;

b) - un ufficiale superiore che ha giurato e prestato servizio sino al 4 giugno 1944 è stato riammesso in servizio (Milano), mentre altri in condizioni analoghe, ma che non hanno giurato, non sono stati reimpiegabili (Roma);

c) - il Generale Capo Servizio ha avuto un risprovero solenne l'ufficiale superiore che da lui strettamente dipendeva e che con lui ha sempre lavorato è stato "dispensato dal servizio" (Roma).--

56) - Ripudi.--

In relazione a quanto sopra esposto e richiamandosi alla prospettata esigenza disponibilità di ufficiali del S.Te.M. nel confronto delle improrogabili necessità proposte:--

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b) - di far riesaminare, con una Commissione unica, di cui dovrebbe far parte anche un colonnello del S.Te.M. (conoscitore dei precedenti di ogni ufficiale e della situazione del S.Te.M. alla data dell'arruolamento); la situazione di detti ufficiali nei confronti delle sanzioni inflitte ed alla luce di quanto esposto nel comma 2° e 4°.--

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c) - indire subito un concorso per titoli tra capitani del servizio tecnici d'artiglieria e del Genio, con-
bentati ai bisogni del servizio stesso, e far loro
frequentare un corso di specializzazione della dura-
ta di un semestre, presso il Centro Studi Motori-
izzazione;

d) - indire un concorso tra i capitani delle armi d'Ar-
tiglieria e del Genio, del Corpo Automobilistico,
dei Carriotti che abbiano compiuto i corsi regolari
della Scuola d'Applicazione Art. e Genio e tra i
capitani di qualsiasi Arma e Corpo laureati in inge-
gnaria industriale, e far loro seguire il biennio
di specializzazione presso il Centro Studi Motori-
izzazione, il Politecnico di Torino e gli stabilimenti
in modo da ottenere per il 1948 un adeguato nucleo
di ufficiali inferiori tecnici.

Oltre a questi provvedimenti che sono a carattere
permanente e a lunga scadenza, occorre prendere al-
tri provvedimenti a carattere transitorio, che sono
legati alle doti personali degli uomini di cui si
dispongono e alla situazione contingente:

e) - considerare aggregati al S.T.M. (pur lasciandoli
nei loro attuali ruoli, per ragioni di carriera),
gli ufficiali del Corpo Automobilistico, dei servizi
tecnici d'Art. e del Genio, dei Carriotti o di altri
armi, che abbiano particolare competenza nel campo
delle riparazioni o dell'addestramento, (da giudici-
carsi in sede idonea) e che possano dirigere le Ma-
razioni Riparazioni, le Scuole, i Reparti Riparaz.,
le Officine delle Divisioni di Fanteria, i Depositi
carburanti di grande capacità.

Si riparte qui di seguito, uno specchio con gli organici,
molti dovrebbero essere al minimo degli ufficiali del S.T.M.

Art. 1. - La Scuola d'Art. e Genio e tra i capitani di qualsiasi arma e Corpo laureati in ingegneria industriale, e far loro seguire il biennio di specializzazione presso il Centro Studi Ricerche, il Politecnico di Torino e gli stabilimenti in modo da ottenere per il 1948 un adeguato nucleo di ufficiali inferiori tecnici.

Oltre a questi provvedimenti che sono a carattere permanente e a lunga scadenza, occorre prendere altri provvedimenti a carattere transitorio, che sono legati alle doti personali degli uomini di cui si dispone e alla situazione contingente:

- e) - considerare aggregati al S.T.E.M. (pur lasciandoli nei loro attuali ruoli, per ragioni di carriera), gli ufficiali del Corpo Automobilistico, dei servizi tecnici d'Art. e del Genio, dei Carriisti e di altri armi, che abbiano particolare competenza nel campo delle riparazioni e dell'addestramento. (da giudicarsi in sede idonea) e che possano dirigere le Divisioni Riparazioni, le Scuole, i Reparti Riparat., le Officine delle Divisioni di Fanteria, i Depositi carburanti di grande capacità.

Si riporta qui di seguito, uno specchio con gli organici, quali dovrebbero essere al primo degli ufficiali del S.T.E.M. e aggregati, facendo presente che essi sono inferiori a quelli di anteguerra, e cioè di un periodo in cui l'Esercito aveva in organico un numero di automeccanici inferiori all'attuale e non aveva come ora i mezzi meccanici diffusi in tutti i reparti e le specialità.

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ORGANICO UFFICIALI DEL S.T.O.M.
(compresi ufficiali aggregati)

Uff. S.T.O.M.	Generali	Colonni.	Gen. Col. o Regg.	Capitani	
- Dir. Gen. Motorizzazione	1	2	5	-	(1) oltre 7 Col. aggr. al S.T.O.M.
- Officina Auto N.E. e elementi collegati	-	1	2 (3)	6	(2) 1 aggr. al S.T.O.M.
- Dir. Approvv. Auto R.R.	-	1	2 (3)	2	(3) oltre 1 aggr.
- Centro Studi Motorizz.	-	1	4	2	(4) oltre 1 aggr.
- Direzioni Riparazioni	-	4 (1)	-	-	(5) " 4 "
- Reparti Riparazioni	-	-	4 (4)	4 (7)	(6) " 1 "
- Officine Div. Fonderia	-	-	-	5	(7) più 10 "
- Depositi carb. g.o.	-	-	- (5)	-	
- Scuole Motorizzazione	-	- (2)	1 (6)	2	
Totale	1	9	18	21	

totale aggr:

- colonnelli 8
- Col. e aggr 15
- capitani 10

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- Centro Studi Motorizz.	-	1	4	2	(5) " 4 "
- Direzioni Riparazioni	-	4 (1)	-	-	(6) " 1 "
- Reparti Riparazioni	-	-	4 (4)	4 (7)	(7) più 10 "
- Officina Div. Fantaria	-	-	-	5	
- Depositi carb. g. o.	-	-	- (5)	-	
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SUBJECT :- Civilians - Tylists.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.D.
(M.H.I.A.) R O H E.
MF/2.

14 June 46

To :- 'A'.

Sig. M ADA WELFF
ADAMS GUARDIAN

Reference your letter A 398 dated 11th June.

It is certified that the two above mentioned civilian typists are fully and essentially employed by this office.

/as

at
Lt. Col. A.D.M.E.

Reg. M.
14/6/46
[Signature]

Subject :- Reduction of Civilian Staff.

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

A 398

13 June 46.

To :- All Branches and Services,
Camp.

1. With the general 'run down' of AC it is necessary to reduce the number of civilians employed by this Sub-Commission. In order to comply with the instructions received it has been ruled that by 1 July 46 the following reductions will be made in the number of civilians employed by the various Branches and Services of MIA.

'G' Branch	from 7	to 4
'A' Branch	" 4	to 2
'Q' Branch	" 4	to 3
S & T Branch	" 3	to 2
Accounts Sec.	" 3	to 2
Comm Sec.	" 7	to 4
Law Sec.	" 20	to 14

2. The period from the present date to 1 July 46 has been given in order that the distribution of work may be re-organised, and consideration given to the question of those whose services can most easily be dispensed with.
3. Will Heads of Branches and Services forward to 'A' Branch by 17 June a nominal roll of those civilians they propose to dispense with.
4. Those lists will be circulated to Heads of Branches and Services who will be at liberty to change anyone in their own employ for someone shown on the list should they wish to do so.

Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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Accounts Sec.	" 3	to 2
CCP Sec.	" 7	to 4
ITW Sec.	" 20	to 14

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Major General,
M.M.I.A.

Regd. 11/11

TRANSLATION

From: "Legnano" Inf.Div. HQ
MT Office
TO : M.of W.

Ref: 07/3105

Date: 28/5/46

Subject: Request of Officers of Technical
MT Service. -

1 - With ref. to circular 27.000 dated April 7th last of
Your General Directorate (MT Branch) .

2 - For a more profitable organisation as far as particularly
interests:

- a) the repair service and spares supply for Arty stores
(guns, individual weapons and automatic);
- b) the preparation of the technical regulations, of the
various catalogues and rules for the organisation and
the functioning of the w/shops and of the inspective
service;

we propose that an Officer of Technical MT Service is
allocated to me.

sgd. Catalano.

Reg 6588
11 June

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COMANDO DIVISIONE DI FANTERIA "LEGNANO"
Ufficio Automobilistico

Bergamo, 28 maggio 1946.

ADME 0915

Military Mission Italian Army (M.M.I.A.)

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... 128. per doverosa conoscenza.

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Translated F.A.
 Priority 2
 Off. Headquarters
 5 June 1946



IL MAGGIORE CAPO UFFICIO AUTO
 INCARICATO DAL M.G.
 (Pietro Catalano)

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COMANDO DIVISIONE DI FANTERIA "LEGNANO"
- Ufficio Automobilistico -

n.07/405 di prot.

Bergamo, 28 maggio 1946

Oggetto: Richiesta Ufficiali del S.To.A. -

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
- Direzione Generale Artiglieria e Motorizzazione-
Divisione Tecnica

= R o m a =

- 1.- Mi riferisco alla circolare n.27000 di cotesta Direzione Generale (Divisione Motorizzazione) in data 7 aprile u.s.-
- 2.- Per un più proficuo coordinamento di quanto particolarmente interessa:
 - a)- il servizio riparazioni ed approvvigionamento ricambi per materiali di artiglieria (cannoni, armi individuali e automatiche);
 - b)- l'approntamento della regolamentazione tecnica, dei vari cataloghi e norme per la organizzazione e funzionamento delle officine e del servizio ispettivo;propongo che mi venga assegnato un ufficiale del S.To.A.-

IL MAGGIORE CAPO UFFICIO AUTO
INCARICATO DEL M.G.
- Pietro Catalano -



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REME

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Subject:- Reduction of Civilian Staff.

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

A 398

11 June 1946.

To :- Heads of Branches and Services

1. M.M.I.A. have been required to make a reduction in the number of Italian Civilians employed.
2. Will you please therefore consider what reductions can be made and forward to 'A' Branch as early as possible a roll of those civilians whose services can be dispensed with.
3. In considering those whose services are to be retained please bear in mind that a certificate is required signed by an officer not below the rank of Lt.Col. stating that personnel are "fully and essentially employed".

Prepare
pl. for
this roll

H. J. H. H. H.

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

GC/

Copy to: Camp Comd.

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Regt.
11 June

SUBJECT: Personnel - Italian

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) R O M E
ME/24/11

7 June 46

The following information has been supplied by General
ROSSI (Inspector General Motorisation - Min. of War) May 27 46

MOTORISATION - ITALIAN ARMY

	<u>Officers.</u>	<u>Senior N.C.O.s</u>	<u>O.R.s</u>
W.E.	583	758	6760
Held.	462	678	3145

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SUBJECT: Equipment issues - Italian Interim Army

LAND FORCES SUB CCM, A.C. (MMIA)

SD/109

Jun 46

TO : GENERAL HEADQUARTERS - G(SD)

Ref my SD/109 of 28 May 46

1. This Headquarters has just received from Chief Accountant L.S.A.A. a paraphrase of a War Office Cable forwarded by G5 and FA(B) as follows:-

" With effect from 1 July 46 all equipment issued to the Italian Armed Forces will be paid for in advance prior to issue. Payment in Lire to local B.C.P.O."

2. It is not known here whether this represents official War Office policy and whether it is intended to cover all transfers of equipment that may require to be made in the future in order to implement combined Chief of Staff Policy, but no doubt GHQ will have received information on the subject and will be passing it on officially to this HQ in due course.

3. In view of the present state of the finances of Italy in general, and of the Italian Army in particular, the implications of the policy quoted in para 1, if they are in fact to be implemented fully, will be apparent to you.

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Internal: G(TRG)
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SGS for
M. W. Hope
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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M. W. Hope
BGS for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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RETE (9)

SUBJECT : Accommodation Italian personnel No 7 B.L.U.LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E
A 383

31 May 46

TO : List A & B

1. Application for accommodation for Italian personnel accompanying Officers on tour to FLORENCE or for any other reason can be made as under :-

- (a) If personnel arrive in FLORENCE during working hours apply DAAQMG 7 B.L.U.
- (b) If personnel arrive in FLORENCE out of working hours apply to DAAQMG at Hotel Excelsior, FLORENCE.

JHM/ml

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

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Regt
31 May.

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145/24

SUBJECT:-- PROCEDURE - ITALIAN MILITARY COURIER AIRWAYS.
REQUEST FOR AIR PRIORITY - ITALIAN MILITARY OFFICERS.

Land Forces Sub-Commission A.C.,
M.M.I.A.
R O M E
Q.140

17 April 1946

TO : Distribution below

1. Enclosure 2 with the letter 275/T/MA dated 1 Apr 46 of SMRE Transport Office, shows the Italian Authority in each locality for the issue of Appendix "A", Italian Military Courier Airways - Request for Air Priority.
2. In the ROME AREA the application for air passage will be made originally to SMRE, UFFICIO TRASPORTI (Ten. Col. ROSSI), Ministry of War.
3. The application (in triplicate) will then be forwarded to Staff Captain Q.1, MIA (Room 36) by SMRE Ufficio Trasporti for decision as to priority recommended and signature.
4. Finally application will be stamped "HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION - AIR PRIORITY OFFICE" and countersigned by CONTE FABRICOTTI.

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Sp. Br. and Capt. Major

E. W. BRADLEY,
Major, Inniska,
for Major General,
M.M.I.A.

DISTRIBUTION

R.A.A.C. (for distribution to all Allied ~~6001~~
with Italian personnel under command).

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Subject : Civilian Personnel.

T. : A.D.M.E.
M.M.I.A.
ROME

RECEIVED 30 MAR 1946
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R.E.M.E, Branch
1st British Liaison Unit
tel. 44638 Turin
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Will you please give authority for the employment of one civilian vehicle mechanic for the maintenance of Unit's vehicles.

If this authority is granted it is intended to employ as a civilian an Italian cpl. Major, who is due for discharge approx 1 April '46.

Would you please treat as urgent.

Field.
26/March/46.

NFA
CB

Minister

Capt. E.M.E.
1st. B.L.U.

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30/3/46

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Subject : Clothing for C.A.Rs.LAND FORCES SUB COMM. AC.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME.

a/b

Q . 105

14 March 1946

TO : List 'B' (less serial 12)

1. The War Ministry confirm that all recruits at C.A.Rs. will be issued with two suits of Battledress. This should ensure that each recruit has a good uniform to wear when he leaves the C.A.R. on posting to his unit.

2. If, at any C.A.R., there is no sign indicating that the clothing will arrive in time; the B.L.U. concerned will notify this H.Q. by signal.

E. W. Bradley, Major
E.W. BRADLEY,
Major Inniska
for Major General
M.M.I.A.

INTERNAL : "G"

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14/3/46

C O P YC O N F I D E N T I A L

Subject: Inefficiency of Offr (It.)

EME., 50 B.L.U.
ME/PER/30
29 Mar 45To: GSO 1.,
50 Brit. Liaison Unit.

I wish to bring to your notice the persistent inefficiency of the present FRIULI IGC. C.M.E. (Maggiore Scotti). The following is a blatant and typical example of this.

On 29 Jan last I questioned him regarding the Group Recovery vehicles, when he assured me that ALL were on the road. (I have since discovered that a MORRIS RECY 30 cwt WD No. L1710107 was admitted to an L of C Wksp and has been conditioned BLR). However, I again pursued this subject with Maggiore Scotti a day or two ago, referring to this vehicle in particular, and was told that it was there; the CME had himself seen it. I have personally checked over the Recy vehicles.

Having assured myself of its total absence, I also learned that its two Drivers had been taken from the LAD concerned, and have been used in the Company since movement to this area.

I regret to state that the CME is continually proving incapable of carrying out his duties, and unfortunately, the above instance is by no means an isolated case, but moreover, is a typical indication of the quality of his work. Just to glance at his office is confirmation of the Officer's complete inefficiency.

May it please be again emphasised to the General, that unless this Officer is replaced in the immediate future, he will never be in possession of a true picture of the Mechanical Engineers Services in the Division, which, in other directions, are rapidly becoming satisfactory.

S/Capt.
(W.J.Stocker)
E.M.E., 50 British Liaison UnitIn the Field
CME.

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TRANSLATIONFrom: M.of.W.Ref: 23783/DMTo: M.M.I.A.Date: 26/2/46

Subject: Italian personnel for ~~xxxxxx~~ spare parts service for vehicles from Allied sources with the 557 B.O.D.

1.- We inform you that, as from previous agreements made with your Mission, the following personnel has been sent to Naples for the a/m service:

- Lt Mancini Camillo	- O.A.R.E. of Bologna
- W.O. Cimmino Marcello	} - "Legano" Inf. Division
- Sapper Barbera Salvatore	
- Driver xxxxxx Guida Arturo	- "Mantova" Inf. Division
- Driver Floris Gavino	- "Cremona" Inf. Div
- Driver Carbone Alfredo	- "Friuli" Infantry Division
- (not yet appointed)	- "Folgore" Infantry Division
- Serg. Croce Torcino	- Military Central School(ex- Piceno)

2)- The a/m military have been attached to the 10th Repair Unit Naples- pending their subsequent forwarding to Pontecagnano.

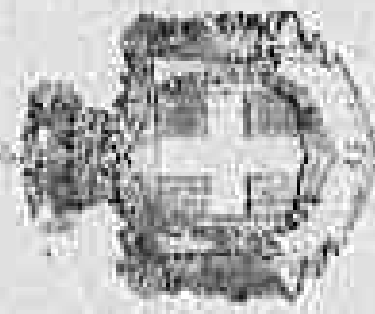
3)- We beg you to kindly send to this Ministry an introduction letter for the 557 B.O.D., in respect of the a/m personnel.-

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(Sgd) Col. Balanzino

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Ministero della Guerra

Direz. Gen. Artigl. e Motorizzazione

Divisione Motorizza. No. 2

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OGGETTO Personale italiano per servizio ricambi automezzi di provenienza alleata presso 557^a B.O.D.-

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Letter of introduction is needed.

1.- Si comunica che, come da accordi precedentemente presi con codesta Sottocommissione, è stato avviato a Napoli, per il servizio di cui all'oggetto, il seguente personale:

- Ten. MANCINI Camillo - O.A.R.E. di Bologna
- Mar. CIMMINO Marcello } - Div. Fant. " Egnano "
- Art. BARBERA Salvatore } " " " Mantova "
- Aut. GUIDA Arturo } " " " Cremona "
- " FLORIS Gavino } " " " Friuli "
- " CARBONE Alfredo } (nome non ancora segnalato) Div. Fant. " Foligno "
- Serg. CROCE Torcino - Scuole Centrali Militari (ex Piceno)

2.- I militari di cui sopra sono stati aggregati al 10° Reparto Riparazioni di Napoli in attesa del successivo invio a Pontecagnano.

3.- Si prega codesta Sottocommissione compiacersi inviare a questo Ministero una lettera di presentazione per la 557^a B.O.D. relativa al personale sopracitato.

IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE
(Col. G. Balanzino)

[Signature]

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ALL THE LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
ZION A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
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Risposta al Foglio del
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provenienza alleata presso 557° B.O.D.-

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- " PIORIS Gavino " " Cremona "
- " CARBONE Alfredo " " Friuli "
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IL DIRETTORE CAPO DIVISIONE
(Col. E. Balenzino)

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Art. BARBERA Salvatore		
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Serg. GROCE Torelino	-	Scuole Centrali Mil. (ex Piacenza)

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Subject:- Mechanical Specialist Personnel.

SC REME
7 British Liaison Unit
c/o 6 B.L.U.
Tel. No. Vicksburg 119.ADME
HQ Land Forces Sub-Com AC (MMIA)

Reme.

Ref No: EME/62/16

Date: 11 FEB 46.

1. Reference our discussion in ROME, I'm enclosing a copy of the total W.E. of M.E. personnel in an Italian Infantry Division.
2. This return was used by us to obtain actual deficiencies of military tradesmen, dilution by civilian labour and also an estimate of future deficiencies by Age Release Groups.
3. The totals include personnel from 6 L.A.Ds, 1 ME Pl. Wksp and 1 ME Div Wksp, in the case of the Divisional Wksp the numbers are based on the new W.E. proposed by 8th Army in their memo. ref R.11800/11/EME dated 22 Mar 45. Due to the cessation of hostilities, this Amendment, although passed through Staff Channels and agreed to by 5th and 8th Armies, was not finalised but all the proposals made in it are necessary being based on a year's experience with these Italian Divisions and we would suggest that the matter be re-opened with GHQ and final approval obtained. In this connection Brig. HOLT, DIME GHQ is fully conversant with the Amendment, having played a considerable part in its preparation and will therefore be of considerable assistance.

A.H. Nelson SC REME

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PERSONNEL

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Italian	British	Total WE ME Units (Note 1)	Present Deficiencies Military Tradesmen (Class 1916)
<u>Sottufficiali e Capitecnici</u>	<u>WOs & Sergeants</u>		
Scritturali	Clerks	2	-
Armaiolì	Armourers	1	-
Meccanici d'art	Gun Fitters	2	-
Magazzinieri	Storemen	2	-
Autieri	Drivers	1	-
di Contabilità	Pay & Accounts	1	-
Addetto alla cucina	Cook	1	1
Motoristi	Motor Mechs	19	1
Elettrici	Electrician	1	1
Strumenti e Radiomontatori	Instrument & Telecom Mechs	1	1
	<u>Total</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Truppa</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u>		
Scritturali	Clerks	7	1
Autieri e	Drivers &		
Autisti attendenti	Driver Batmen	26	-
Motociclisti	Motor Cyclist	6	1
Servizi Generali	General Duties (including Cooks)	26	-
<u>Specializzati</u>			
Meccanici d'art.	Gun Fitters	27	11
" Strumenti	& Gen Fitters		
" Ottici ecc)	Instrument Mechs	4	4
Armaiolì	Armourers	4	4
Radiomontatori	Telecom Mechs (Pa)	3	3
Tabbri	Blacksmiths	5	2
Falegnami	Carpenters	4	2
Carrozzeri	Coachtrimmers	3	2
Laminatori	Sheet Metal Workers	5	3
Saldatori	Welders	9	4
Verniciatori	Painters	2	-
Meccanici Elettr.	Electricians	19	11
" Auto.	Vehicle Mechs	29	15
Tornitori	Turners	3	-
Autieri Mecc.	Driver Mechs	35	4
Meccanici Motoristi	Motor Mechs	36	4
Magazzinieri	Storemen	23	3
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Magazzinieri		
Autieri	2	
di Contabilita	1	
Adatto alla cucine	1	
Motoristi	1	
Elettrici	1	
Strumenti e Radiomontatori	1	
Storemen	1	
Drivers	1	
Pay & Accounts	1	
Cook	1	
Motor Mechs	19	
Electrician	1	
Instrument &	1	
Telecom Mechs	1	
Total	32	5

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Gun Fitters		
& Gen Fitters		
Instrument Mechs		
Armourers		
Telecom Mechs (Pa)		
Blacksmiths		
Carpenters		
Coachtrimmers		
Sheet Metal Workers		
Welders		
Painters		
Electricians		
Vehicle Mechs		
Turners		
Driver Mechs		
Motor Mechs		
Storemen		
Pay Cpls		
Assistant Hammerman		
Total	311	27

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Note 1: WS Includes 6 LADs
1 ME Platoon Wksp
1 ME Div Wksp.

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Subject :- O.A.R.E. BOLOGNA - Employment of Personnel.

Land Forces Sub Comm.
A.C. (M.M.I.A.)
ROME.
ME/24

29 January. 46.

Direzione Generale Artilleria & Motorizzazione.

(For the information of Col. BALANZINO)

In connection with the project to repair Allied types of vehicles at the above establishment, the question arises of the instruction of the former employees in the peculiarities of such vehicles.

I have moved to BOLOGNA a British Training Increment to help commence this instruction but it seems that there is a supply of labour available who are already familiar with these vehicles.

Since the British Training Increment will not be large enough for the amount of instruction it has to do, I suggest that you examine the possibility of engaging as civilians some of the specialists now being discharged from the Workshops of the various Infantry Divisions.

I feel that in this way speedy progress would be made with instructing the skilled personnel of the O.A.R.E. in the peculiarities of Allied vehicles.

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Lt.Col.
A.D.M.E. 6571
M.M.I.A.

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