

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

ACC

10000/120/3506

A-11

Opened Mo

MAR.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

10000/120/3506

A-11

Finances - Policy

745
767

opened Mar. 20, 1945. Closed Oct. 22, 1945

MAR. - OCT.

Subject: Pay and Allowances.

To: Chief of Staff,
CREMONA INF DIV.

CONFIDENTIAL.

British Liaison Unit.

A 9.

Ref your letter 3674/Serv dt prot dated 13 Oct 45.

The following reply has been received from Comd 7 ACRA:-

6/13/50.
HQ 7 ACRA.
21 Oct 45.

To: 51 ILM.

1. Ref CREMONA DIV letter 3674/Serv dated 13 Oct 45.

2. How ever much I may sympathise, and I do sympathise with the difficulties of recruitment and pay encountered by the Gruppo at the moment, I am bound to conclude that the factors dealt with in General PRUMERI's letter are matters entirely for MIA and the War Ministry to decide.

3. In the matter of promotions and appointments, - in fact in all administrative matters I am not consulted and therefore I fail to see why I should be asked to interfere over pay, the arguments in the case being well known to MIA and the Ministry of War.

4. I do not regard the Gruppo CREMONA as "operational" in the sense indicated by General PRUMERI, i.e. they are not subjected to daily moves as in war. Some units have been moved once during the past two months.

5. Regardless of the above comments I would be glad if you would inform General PRUMERI that:

- (a) I am forwarding copies of his letter under personal cover to General BRUNING.
- (b) that I fully appreciate his difficulties in regard to pay of both officers and ORs and that the number of moves will be kept to minimum in order to lessen hardship caused by frequent changes of station.

(sgd) W.D. HOLL. GRAYM.
Brigadier
Commander.

767

Field,
22 Oct 45.

Ident Colonel,
General Staff.

2. How ever much I may sympathise, and I do sympathise with the difficulties of recruitment and pay encountered by the Gruppo at the moment, I am bound to conclude that the factors dealt with in General PRIMERI's letter are matters entirely for MIA and the War Ministry to decide.

3. In the matter of promotions and appointments, - in fact in all administrative matters I am not consulted and therefore I fail to see why I should be asked to interfere over pay, the arguments in the case being well known to MIA and the Ministry of War.

4. I do not regard the Gruppo BRAMONA as "operational" in the sense indicated by General PRIMERI, i.e. they are not subjected to daily moves as in war. Some units have been moved once during the past two months.

5. Regardless of the above comments I would be glad if you would inform General PRIMERI that:

(a) I am forwarding copies of his letter under personal cover to General BROWNING.

(b) that I fully appreciate his difficulties in regard to pay of both officers and ORs and that the number of moves will be kept to minimum in order to lessen hardship caused by frequent changes of station.

(sgd) W.D.J.M. GRAHAM.
Brigadier
Commander.

767

Field.
22-Oct 45.
JBS/HI.

Lieut Colonel,
General Staff.

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject:- Pay and Allowances

G/13/50

HQ 7 AGRA

21 Oct 45

51 BLU ✓

1. I agree entirely with the comments in your covering letter A 9 of 18 Oct 45.
2. How ever much I may sympathise, and I do sympathise with the difficulties of recruitment and pay encountered by the GRUPPI at the moment, I am bound to conclude that the factors dealt with in General Primieri's letter are matters entirely for MMIA and the War Ministry to decide.
3. In the matter of promotions and appointments, - in fact in all administrative matters I am not consulted and therefore I fail to see why I should be asked to interfere over pay, the arguments in the case being well known to MMIA and the Ministry of War.
4. I do not regard the Gruppo Cremona as "operational" in the sense indicated by General Primieri, i.e. they are not subjected to daily moves as in war. Some units have been moved once during the past two months.
5. Regardless of the above comments I would be glad if you would inform General Primieri that
 - a) I am forwarding copies of his letter under personal cover to General Browning.
 - b) that I fully appreciate his difficulties in regard to pay of both officers and ORs and that the number of moves will be kept to minimum in order to lessen hardship caused by frequent changes of station.

HEADQUARTERS	
BRITISH LIAISON UNIT	
21 OCT 1945	194
A 9	

Brigadier
Commander

706

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject :- Pay and Allowances.

51 British Liaison Unit

A 9

To :- Comd
7 AGRA

1. I enclose General PRIMIERI's letter No 5671 dated 13 Oct 45 together with a translation.

2. It contains several vague statements, and at least one contradiction, and in forwarding it I would like to express to you my view that the General has not appreciated how well the Italian army has been treated thanks to allied pressure on the War Ministry and the Treasury.

3. It is also my duty to inform you that cuts in the pay of Combat Troops have been proposed by MMIA to the War Ministry, and that these cuts will probably come into force on Dec 1st. The new scale has not yet been published as the whole question is still under discussion in ROME.

4. The effort to get the operational command to fight administrative battles for him is, of course, nothing new; but in this instance, I feel, the General has shown a lack of understanding that sacrifice is demanded from Italians; that Combat Troops form only a small part of the future Italian army, for whom the new rates are being devised, and that they must lose the specially favoured treatment they had as a Gruppo di Combattimento.

Field
18 Oct 45
JDS/FEM

YLS

for Lt Col
GS

705

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

1. I enclose General PRIMIERI's letter No 5671 dated 13 Oct 45 together with a translation.

2. It contains several vague statements, and at least one contradiction, and in forwarding it I would like to express to you my view that the General has not appreciated how well the Italian army has been treated thanks to allied pressure on the War Ministry and the Treasury.

3. It is also my duty to inform you that cuts in the pay of Combat Troops have been proposed by MMIA to the War Ministry, and that these cuts will probably come into force on Dec 1st. The new scale has not yet been published as the whole question is still under discussion in ROME.

4. The effort to get the operational command to fight administrative battles for him is, of course, nothing new; but in this instance, I feel, the General has shown a lack of understanding that sacrifice is demanded from Italians; that Combat Troops form only a small part of the future Italian army, for whom the new rates are being devised, and that they must lose the specially favoured treatment they had as a Gruppo di Combattimento.

Field
18 Oct 45
JBS/FEM

Y.S.

for Lt Col
G3

705

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject:- Economical Treatment

No. 3674/Serv

13 Oct 45.

To:- Lt Col J.B. SLATER MBE,
Comd 51 HLU

It is requested that the attached letter, subject as above, be forwarded to Comd 7 AGRA.

Clemente Primieri.
G.O.C.

Subject:- Economical Treatment

No. 3671/Serv

13 Oct 45.

To:- Brigadier W.D. McN Graham DSO OBE
Comd 7 AGRA

When I informed you that the grant of War Service Increment (Lire 45) to the Gruppi had been extended to the end of November (the Ministerial Order dated 8 Sep was received by me on the 22nd) you remarked that we had obtained "a great victory". But you will also remember that on that occasion I did not share fully your enthusiasm and conviction.

In fact, on 7 Oct I received another Ministerial Order dated 15 Sep, which, as a result of the decision of the Council of Ministers to abolish the "State of War" in all Italian territory (I must believe that as far as the territory under Allied control this was decided with your consent) - it stopped with immediate effect as from 16 Sep, the war economical treatment. To those, therefore, who received this Order only on the 7 Oct, it had a retro-active effect.

War economical treatment included:-

Operational Increment - Lodging Allowance for Officers and WOs -
A higher rate of entertainment Allowance for Generals and Colonels -
A Higher Rank Entitlement Allowance for officers entrusted with a Command or a post above the rank held. (In your organisation, the officer who holds the command generally held by a Lt Col, if he is of a more junior rank, is promoted to the acting rank - Lt Col Slater, Comd 51 HLU is an example - and holds this rank as long as he holds the post. On the other hand, I put forward the following example:- As Comd of Cremona I have acted as a Divisional Comd for 27 months - your equivalent rank would be that of Major General - and I had as such, all the prerogatives and remunerations. Now all I shall have will be the prerogatives, with their relative duties and responsibilities).

-2-

The Ministerial Order of the 15th Sep, establishes amongst other things a temporary increase in military Pay now in force for Officers and WOs and fixes it at Lire 120 a month for soldiers. This amount is equal (in the case of the soldier) to the War Service Increment. Appx 1, drawing comparisons between war time and peace time economical treatments, shows that, shows that for the present and as long as this Order remains in force - 30 Nov -, the War Pay of Lire 45 for the Gruppi does not suffer any decrease.

Officers' Pay, however, will suffer "cuts" which are not substantial ones except in the case of those who will have the Higher Rank Entitlement Allowance whilst occupying the post of the rank above their own.

But the decrease which will be most felt and which is not apparent in the Appx as it is an indirect increase is that due to the cessation of Lodging Allowance. Whilst this was in force there was the possibility of obtaining - through the obligations imposed on the communes - billets at cheap rates. In stopping this Lodging Allowance, billets at cheap rates are no longer possible. The officer for whom it was possible to obtain a billet for a few Lire is now obliged to make his own private arrangements - generally costing him large sums - and thus suffering an indirect decrease.

This is a question I propose to make known to our central authority; but as the Gruppo depends operationally on Allied Comd, which arranges the Gruppos' deployment and movements, I consider this fact should also interest yourself especially so as moves are still frequent and may remain so until a definite "peace deployment" has been decided upon for the Gruppo.

Peace time economical treatment provides for a special allowance called "Displacement Allowance", which, being a pre-war measure is very small (see Appx 2) but is an alternative to the Lodging Allowance. The Displacement Allowance was granted in peace-time to troops living in abnormal conditions, such as ours, or in the field or on manoeuvres. More than being on manoeuvres we are still employed in an operational role.

The competent administrative departments are of opinion that as we are living in abnormal conditions, we are entitled to the Displacement Allowance. It is my opinion, however, that this allowance will not be granted to the Gruppi for as they are still employed operationally, and that therefore the "lodging compensation" should be allotted in the meantime, thus having the situation unchanged.

One must not forget that the temporary increases to the military pay fixed some time ago to make up for those greater expenses that the officers and W.Os must meet as compared to civil servants, must once again be gradually rendered insufficient through eventual further increases of pay to civil servants. This principle is an erroneous one as it does not recognise the difficulties of the Army who will only receive a part of any increases granted to the civil servants.

763

-3-

(It is also worth noting that a directive which is retroactive is unwise. The pay for Sep has already been paid out, and the soldier must now refund what has already now become overpaid to him through the new decreases.

The practical difficulties to obtain reimbursement are many. Some have already been discharged and others have obviously already spent the small sums that have been paid to them. Withholding the balances overpaid now means that for at least one month the soldier is going to suffer a double cut in his pay. What is most serious, however, is the fact that allowing an order for decreases to arrive so late reveals a poor understanding on the part of our authorities of the repercussions financial problems have at present on the morale.

It is a reflection that leaves one preplexed enough to ask oneself if it was worth, or if it is still worth, the trouble of having written and spoken so much on this subject and to continue to write and speak about it even now.

Gen FREMONT

762

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Rank	1	: Allowances which have been stopped :				Increase now in Force	Total Decrease for those living in town of over 500,000 population (TURIN)	Total those Town of populat
		: Op :	: Lod- ging :	: Entert- ainment.2:	: Total :			
Col	(married with 1 son)	1594	294	392	2277	1760	517	
	(unmarried)	1594	294	392	2277			
Lt Col	(married with 1 son)	1311	294		1605	1309	968	
	(unmarried)	1311	294		1605	1489	116	
Major	(married with 1 son)	1143	294		1437	1128	477	
	(unmarried)	1143	294		1437	1489	218	
Captain	(married with 1 son)	1133	197		1330	1128	579	
	(unmarried)	1133	197		1330	1219	111	
Lt	(married with 1 son)	853	197		1050	993	337	
	(unmarried)	853	197		1050	548	102	
2/Lt	(married with 1 son)	690	197		887	722	328	
	(unmarried)	690	197		887	842	75	
WO	(married with 1 son)	433	98		531	704	183	
	(unmarried)	433	98		531	542	11	(3)
Sjt Maj	(married with 1 son)	174			174	542	11	(3)
	(unmarried)	174			174	90	84	
Sjt	(married with 1 son)	113			113	90	84	
	(unmarried)	113			113	64.50	48.50	
Pte or Cpl		120			120	64.50	48.50	

- Notes:-
1. The General's case, in other words my case, is not included, as from a Major General I shall come down to a Colonel, which brings the difference to 2568 Lire less; besides the indirect decrease of the corresponding lodging.
 2. This is the difference in treatment in war and treatment in peace. The peace time entertainments are 70 Lire for a Brigadier and 52.50 for Colonels Commanding, and heads of departments.
 3. Has 11 Lire more.
 4. There are other allowances called temporary, additional, integral family allowance which vary according to the place where this allowance is equal to 100% in a city like Turin which has a population of over 500,000 and decreases in proportion to the population of the town where the allowance is paid. For example in a town like Poesano which has a population of less than 20,000 inhabitants.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Appx 1 to letter 3671/Serv
dated 13 Oct 45

which have been stopped :		Increase :	Total Decrease for :	Total Decrease for :	Remarks
		now	those living in	those living in	
: Entert-	: Total	: in	: town of over 500,000	: Town of under 50,000	
: Aliment.2:		: Porco	: population (TULEN)	: population (POSSANO)4:	
: 392	: 2277	: 1760	: 517	: 1653	
: 392	: 2277	: 1309	: 968	: 1011	
	1605	1489	116	1252	
	1605	1128	477	612	
	1707	1489	218	1354	
	1707	1128	579	714	
	1330	1219	111	1247	
	1330	993	337	472	
	1050	948	102	1238	
	1050	722	328	463	
	887	812	75	1211	
	887	704	183	318	
	531	542	11 (3)	1147	
	531	542	11 (3)	146	
	174	90	84	1220	
	174	90	84	249	
	113	64.50	48.50	1184.50	
	113	64.50	48.50	183.50	
		120			

As my case, is not included, as from a Major General I shall come down to a Brigadier General which are less; besides the indirect decrease of the corresponding lodging allowance, sent in war and treatment in peace. The peace time entertainments allowance reaches the high sum of 60 for Colonels Commanding, and heads of departments.

And temporary, additional, integral family allowance which vary according to the population of the town in a city like Turin which has a population of over 500,000 and decreased by 50% in a place like less than 20,000 inhabitants.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

CS/uo

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "CRIMORA"

Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore

Sezione Assistenza e Propaganda

n° 2463 /h. di prot.

P.M. 64, li 22 Settembre 1945

O G G E T T O: Revoca erogazione sussidi. =

AL COMANDO 21° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA
AL COMANDO 22° REGGIMENTO FANTERIA
AL COMANDO 7° REGGIMENTO ARTIGLIERIA
AL COMANDO 144° BATTAGLIONE GENIO

P.M. 64

e, per conoscenza:

→ AL COMANDO 51 BRU

B E D E

Informo che i competenti Organi Finanziari hanno revocato la facoltà accordata a ciascun Gruppo di erogare sussidi fino ad un milione di lire mensili. =

Tale facoltà deve considerarsi decaduta dal 1° Ottobre p.v. =
Pertanto le disposizioni del foglio n° 122 del 18 Agosto c.a., con cui assegnavo ai reparti dipendenti determinate somme, devono considerarsi abrogate dal 1° Ottobre. =

Mi riservo esaminare nuove disposizioni allorquando le autorità competenti faranno nuova assegnazione di fondi per provvedere all'assistenza morale delle truppe nel trimestre ottobre - dicembre c.a. =

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
(Clemente Militeri)



766

Alleg. 1 al f. 04/5398 del 18 luglio 1945

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO O "CREMONA"
Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore
Sezione Operazioni e Servizi

n.2726/serv. di prot.

P.M.(64), 5 luglio 1945
OGGETTO: Riduzione indennità ai militari dei Gruppi di Combattimento.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto -

- R O M A -

Mi riferisco al telescritto n. 115160/1/3 del 4 o.m.

Il provvedimento di ridurre l'indennità avrebbe gravissima impressione fra i militari dei Gruppi di Combattimento.

Mi rendo perfettamente conto delle necessità che lo hanno determinato. Ma considerato che già troppe sono le cause di malcontento, propongo che ai sottufficiali e militari di truppa presenti ai Gruppi di Combattimento alla data del 1° luglio sia corrisposto l'intera indennità come in precedenza, ad personam.

La riduzione dell'indennità nella misura stabilita nel telescritto in oggetto propongo che venga applicata a tutti gli ufficiali ed ai militari di truppa limitatamente a quelli assegnati ai Gruppi di Combattimento dopo il 1° luglio o.m., e che pertanto non erano presenti durante il periodo operativo.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Clemente Primieri -

753

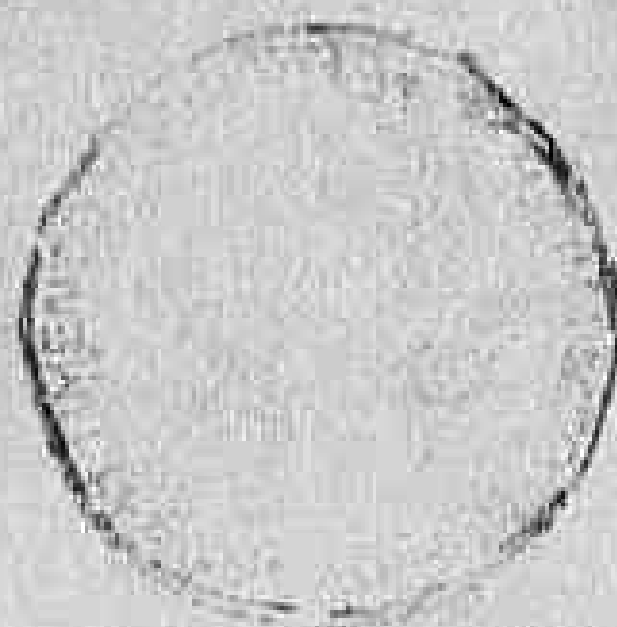
Mi riferisco al telescritto n. 115160/1/3 del 4 o.m.

Il provvedimento di ridurre l'indennità avrebbe gravissima impressione fra i militari dei Gruppi di Combattimento.

Mi rende perfettamente conto delle necessità che lo hanno determinato. Ma considerate che già troppe sono le cause di malcontento, propongo che ai sottufficiali e militari di truppa presenti ai Gruppi di Combattimento alla data del 1° luglio sia corrisposto l'intera indennità come in precedenza, ad personam.

La riduzione dell'indennità nella misura stabilita nel telescritto in oggetto propongo che venga applicata a tutti gli ufficiali ed ai militari di truppa limitatamente a quelli assegnati ai Gruppi di Combattimento dopo il 1° luglio o.m., e che pertanto non erano presenti durante il periodo operativo.

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
- Clemente Primieri :-



753

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Allegato

Corpi e reparti	Organico (sottuff. e truppa)	Effettivi (sott.tr.) al 1°7.45	Effettivi cl. 1916-1917			Effettivi cl. 1918-1919			Tot. effettivi 1916-17-18-19			Forza effet. rimarrebbe do classi 1917.
			V	R	T	V	R	T	V	R	T	
FANTERIA E Q.G. ...	(1)5257	4153	16	302	318	11	267	278	27	569	596	3835
ARTIGLIERIA	1433	1337	1	177	178	3	197	200	4	374	378	1159
GENIO	797	727	10	76	86	4	54	58	14	130	144	641
SANITA'	385	296	3	31	34	6	20	26	9	51	60	262
ALTRI SERVIZI esclusi CC.RR.	671	667	3	78	81	-	70	70	3	148	151	586
Totali	8483	7180	33	664	697	24	608	632	57	1272	1329	6483

(1) di cui : 5138 21° e 22° fanteria
 119 Quartiere Generale
 5257

o(0)o

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Allegato n.3 al foglio n.04/5798
in data 18.7.1945

Effettivi t.tr.) 197.45	Effettivi cl.1916-1917			Effettivi cl.1918-1919			Tot.effettivi 1916-17-18-19			Forza effettiva che rimarrebbe congedan- do classi 1916 e 1917.	Forza effettiva che rimarrebbe congedan- do classi 1916-17- 1928 e 1919
	V	R	T	V	R	T	V	R	T		
153	16	302	318	11	267	278	27	569	596	3835	3557
337	1	177	178	3	197	200	4	374	378	1159	959
27	10	76	86	4	54	58	14	130	144	641	583
96	3	31	34	6	20	26	9	51	60	262	236
67	3	78	81	-	70	70	3	148	151	586	516
30	33	664	697	24	608	632	57	1272	1329	6483	5851

anteria
enerale

o(0)o

GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "ORENCA"
Il Generale Comandante

Alleg. 2 al f. n. 04/5798 del 18/7/45

P.M. (64), 29 giugno 1945

n. 134/R.P.Spec. di prot.

AL GENERALE ERCOLE RONCO
Settecape di S.M.R.E.

- POSTA MILITARE 3800 -

Nella visita fatta Roma in data 6-7 giugno u.s. insistetti sulla necessità di addìvenire al più presto ad un congedamento della classe più anziane.

Mi fu detto che la M.M.I.A. avrebbe senz'altro autorizzato il congedamento del II e III quadrimestre 1914 e che su sarebbe nel contempo provveduto per un comunicato stampa annunciante che il problema di questi congedamenti era tenuto in gran conto e attentamente seguito.

Non mi risulta che per ora sia stato fatto alcun che in merito.

So che lo S.M. segue la questione ma l'effettuato congedamento di volontari delle varie classi appartenenti a distretti dove dopo l'8 settembre non è stato effettuato un richiamo ed una chiamata alle armi rende la sperequazione colle classi anziane aventi obblighi di servizio militare più stridente, con la necessità di irganti adeguati provvedimenti.

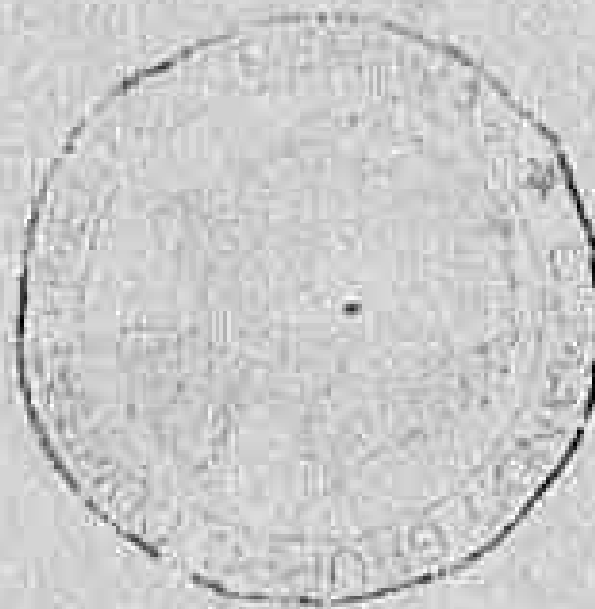
E' per questo che mi permetto di insistere ancora sull'argomento.

MI fu detto che la M.M.I.A. avrebbe senz'altro autorizzato il congedamento del II e III quadrimestre 1914 e che su sarebbe nel contempo provveduto per un comunicato stampa annunciante che il problema di questi congedamenti era tenuto in gran conto e attentamente seguito.

Non mi risulta che per ora sia stato fatto alcun che in merito.

So che lo S.M. segue la questione ma l'effettuato congedamento di volontari delle varie classi appartenenti a distretti dove dopo l'8 settembre non è stato effettuato un richiamo ed una chiamata alle armi rende la sperequazione colle classi anziane aventi obblighi di servizio militare più stridente, con la necessità di irganti adeguati provvedimenti.

E' per questo che mi permetto di insistere ancora sull'argomento.



751

C o p i a

TELESCRITTO

DA ITAGRUPO "CREMONA"
AT GUERRA - GABINETTO
AT STAMAGGIORE - SEGRETERIA
e, per conoscenza:
AT 51° B.L.U.

N. 2744/serv. (.) Riferimento telescritto 115160/I/3 data
4 corrente Guerra Gabinetto (.) Con foglio
2726/serv. data 5 corrente ho proposto per
ovvie ragioni opportunità et per non aumenta
re cause disagio et malcontento specie riguan
do militari classi più anziane da molti anni
alle armi di non applicare per militari appa
tenenti Gruppo di Combattimento alla data 1°
luglio riduzione assegno operativo continuan
do a corrisponderglielo come assegno "ad per
sonam" nella misura di lire 45 (.) Osservo ora
che riduzione est apportata mentre sono stati
accordati larghi aumenti salariali e mentre si
sta procedendo ad arruolamento volontari di
cui foglio 17551/Mob. data 3 giugno c.a. Stamag
giore Mobilitazione pel quale agli aspiranti
era stato assicurato trattamento superiore per cui
a mio subordinato parere anche la riduzione per
quelli assunti in forza dopo primo luglio non est
consigliabile (.)

756

4 corrente Guerra Gabinetto (.) Con foglio
2726/ser. data 3 corrente ho proposte per
ovvie ragioni opportuni et per non aumenta-
re cause disagio et malcontento specie riguar-
do militari classi più anziane da molti anni
alle armi di non applicare per militari appa-
tenenti Gruppo di Combattimento alla data 1°
luglio riduzione assegno operativo continuua-
do a corrisponderglielo come assegno "ad per-
sonam" nella misura di lire 45 (.) Osservo ora
che riduzione est apportata mentre sono stati
accordati larghi aumenti salariali e mentre si
sta procedendo ad arruolamento volontari di
cui foglio 17551/Mob. data 3 giugno c.a. Stamag
giore Mobilitazione pel quale agli aspiranti
era stato assicurato trattamento superiore per cui
a mio subordinato parere anche la riduzione per
quelli assunti in forza dopo primo luglio non est
consigliabile (.)

756

GENERALE PRIMIERI 190007



Gor/

TELESCRITTO

DA ITALGRUPPO "CREMONA"

AT GUERRA - GABINETTO

AT STAMAGGIORE - SEGRETERIA

e, per conoscenza:

At 510 B. L. U.

N° 2744/Serv. (.) Riferimento telescritto 115160/I/3 data 4 corrente

Guerra Gabinetto (.) Con foglio 2726/Serv. data 5 corrente ho proposto per ovvie ragioni opportunità et per non aumentare cause disagio et malcontento specie riguardo militari classi più anziane da molti anni alle armi di non applicare per militari appartenenti Gruppo di Combattimento alla data 1° luglio riduzione assegno operativo continuando a corrisponderglielo come assegno "ad personam" nella misura di lire 45 (.) Osservo ora che riduzione est apportata mentre sono stati accordati larghi aumenti salariali e mentre si sta procedendo ad arruolamento volontari di cui foglio 17551/Mob. data 3 giugno c.a. Stamaggiore Mobilitazione per quale agli aspiranti era stato assicurato trattamento superiore per cui a mio subordinato parere anche la riduzione per quelli assunti in forza dopo primo luglio non est consigliabile (.)

Generale Primieri 190007



Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

750

Adm.

0142

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

750

rente ne preposto per ovvie ragioni, opportunità et per non aumentare cause disagio et malcontento specie ri-
 garde militari classi più anziane da molti anni alle
 armi, di non applicare per militari appartenenti Gruppo
 di Combattimento alla data 1° luglio riduzione assegno
 operative continuando a corrisponderglielo come assegno
 "ad personam" nella misura di lire 45 (.) Osservo ora
 che riduzione est apportata mentre sono stati accordati
 larghi aumenti salariali e mentre si sta procedendo ad
 arruolamento volontari di cui foglio 17551/Mob. data
 3 giugno c.a. Staggioro Mobilitazione per quale agli
 aspiranti era stato assicurato trattamento superiore
 per cui a mio subordinato parere anche la riduzione per
 quelli assunti in forza dopo primo luglio non est con-
 sigliabile (.)

Generale Primieri 190007



Adair

HEAD
BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
REF. 8 JUL 1945 194

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

C O P I A

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "CREMONA"

Ufficio del Capo di Stato Maggiore

Sezione Operazioni e Servizi

N° 2726/Serv. di prot.

Posta Mil. 64 - 5 Luglio 1945

OGGETTO: Riduzione indennità ai militari dei Gruppi di Combattimento..-

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA - Gabinetto - = P.M.3800

Mi riferisco al telescritto n° 115160/1/3 del 4 c.m..-

Il provvedimento di ridurre l'indennità avrebbe gravissime ripercussioni fra i militari dei Gruppi di Combattimento.

Mi rendo perfettamente conto delle necessità che lo hanno determinato. Ma considerato che già troppe sono le cause di malcontento, propongo che ai sottufficiali e militari di truppe presenti ai Gruppi di Combattimento alla data del 1° Luglio sia corrisposta l'intera indennità come in precedenza, ad personam.

La riduzione dell'indennità nella misura stabilita nel telescritto in oggetto propongo che venga applicata a tutti gli ufficiali ed ai militari di truppe limitatamente a quelli assegnati ai Gruppi di Combattimento dopo il 1° luglio c.m., e che pertanto non erano presenti durante il periodo operativo.=

IL GENERALE COMANDANTE
F/to Clemente Primieri

754

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

COPIA TELESKRITTO IN ARRIVO

FROM } GUERRA GABINETTO
TO } COMILITER TORINO-MILANO-GENOVA-BOLZANO-UDINE-BOLOGNA
ITALGRUPPO FOLGORE-CREMONA-FRIULI-MANTOVA-LEGNANO
DIVISIONE 209-210-228-231

115160/I/3 RESTRICTED

IN CONSIDERAZIONE CESSAZIONE OSTILITA' DISPONGO CHE A DATARE DA PRIMO LUGLIO PROSSIMO VENTURO SIA CESSATA CORRESPONSIONE INDENNITA' LIRE 45 GIORNALIERE AT TUTTI ENTI ET REPARTI ATTUALMENTE FRUENTI DETTA INDENNITA' (.) IN SOSTITUZIONE PREDETTO TRATTAMENTO AT MILITARI DI REPARTI ET ENTI CUI PRECEDENTE CAPOVERSO DOVRA' ESSERE CORRISPOSTA INDENNITA' LIRE 32 LORDE GIORNALIERE (LIRE 29,07 NETTE) (.) NULLA DI VARIATO PER REPARTI ATTUALMENTE FRUENTI INDENNITA' LIRE 32 LORDE (.) MINISTRO GUERRA JACINI

753

Subject :- Impounding of Air Currency

20 :- 67 3 1 3

1.05 Area
RG P C O

54 British Liaison Unit's

A 9

1. Returned between 500 Live note No. 42361306 A impounded by RG P C O as counterfeit, together with relative AF P 10.
2. (a) This note has been the subject of investigation by RG Area and this unit because it was thought the impounded note was one of four new ones drawn from RG P C O.
(b) Having seen the note it is now apparent that this is NOT the same and that in fact it is more likely another note presented by an OR of this unit for exchange into Postal Orders.
(c) The fact that the Unit Postal Order only stated on his return that the impounded note was now aided the writer during preliminary inquiries.

Maid
17 June 45
1945

R. P. H. L.

Major
DAA 3 1945

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

752

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Subject :- Italian - ORG

111
52 British Liaison Unit

23A

To :- Chief of Staff,
Gruppo Granaia

A 9

18A
With reference to this HQ letter of even No. dated
10 Mar 45.

Information has now been received that the increased
rates of pay notified in the above quoted letter have been
authorized v.o.f. 15 Aug 44.

Field.
22 Mar 45
AB/FIN

Polanski Capt
For Major
DAA & QTB

751

24A

Subject :- Quarterly Audit Board - quarter ending 31 Mar 45.

51 British Liaison Unit

A 9

1. A Board of Officers as detailed below is convened for the purpose of Auditing the Unit's accounts for the quarter ending 31 Mar 45.

President	Major H	SCICLUNA	MBE	RMA
Members	Capt G	BENTLEY		RAOC
	Capt WHE	SAID		RMA

2. The following accounts will be presented for audit by those responsible

Officers Moss
Sgts MOSS
FRI

AFB N 1514 (enclosed herewith to those concerned) will be prepared in triplicate.

All vouchers, receipts, outstanding bills and cash in hand will be presented with the accounts.

3. The Board will assemble in the first place on 8 Apr 45 - time and place to be notified to all concerned by the President.
4. On completion, proceedings on AF A 2 in duplicate (enclosed herewith for the President) will be forwarded to this office together with AFB N 1514.

Field
1 Mar 45
RWL/FRI

Major
DAA & QMG

Distribution :- Major H SCICLUNA MBE (with AFCA 2)
Capt G BENTLEY
Capt WHE SAID

PMC
Camp Commandant
President Sgts Moss
File

(with AFEN 1514) 750
(with AFEN 1514)
(with AFEN 1514)

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Transmission Instructions

Priority

Srl. No.

Call

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.

Office Date Stamp

Date-Time of Origin.

Originator

FROM

(A)

For Action.

Armona Gruppo

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions.

GR

Originator's No.

A9 0 Confidential 0 Further to say

Signal HQ dated 4000 understand

238 171444 Division unable at

present to supply CBERONIA first money

for the day as promised by headquarters

Not completed arrangements 0 through

please do not send further info to

head pay from 228 until you

are notified that arrangements complete

and money available

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Originator's No.

79 O Confidential O further to say

Signal HQ dated 2280, understand

228 174400 division, unable at

present to supply CBEPOINT with money

for the pay as monthly of 100000

Not completed arrangements O therefore

please do not send further info to

draw pay from 228, until you

are notified that arrangements complete

and money available

743

This message may be sent
AS WRITTEN by any means
except

WIRELESS

If liable to be intercepted or to fall
into enemy hands this message must
be sent IN CIPHEROriginator's Instructions.
Degree of Priority.

IMBENT

Signed.

Signed.

Time

THI or TOR

Time Cleared

System Op

ARMY FORM C 2126 (Large)		MESSAGE FORM		Register No.
Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions	
				9
ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY				Office Date Stamp
FROM (A)		Originator 31 BUN	Date-Time of Origin. 071410A	
TO		(W) For Information (INFO) Summa Gruppo		
Originator's No.		Message Instructions GR		
FOR ACTION				
Copy AQ 2728 O SECRET O subject is pay personnel FR 1111 CREMONA GROUPE O Ministry of War attaching for pay in cash to be submitted to HQ 228 ON O HQ 228 will be made responsible onward transmission to two groups enclosed				

Originator's No.

A 9 0 SECRET 0 Reported beneath copy of signal
received from MMIA 0

COPY

A 0 2708 0 SECRET 0 subject is pay personnel
FRULL CREMONA GROVE 0 Ministry of War
attending for pay on cash to be submitted to
HQ 228. Div 0 HQ 208 will be made
responsible onward transmission to the Gruppe
concerned

748

This message may be sent
AS WRITTEN by any means
except

WIRELESS

Signed

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or to fall
into enemy hands this message
must be sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority.

Time

System

Op.

THI or TOR

Time cleared

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No.

785020

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

CACO V HAR 50/1040 IMPORTANT QVR 2
FROM MHIA 011745A

TP 50 BLU 51 BLU

QY GR 34 BT

AQ2716 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.)

REF 50 BLU AG 732 OF 30 JAN AND 51 BLU A9 OF 28 JAN (.)

SUPPLY OF CASH TO COMBAT GROUPS TAKEN ~~UP~~ UP WITH MINISTRY OF
WAR (.) WILL KEEP YOU ~~INFORMED~~ INFORMED EARLIEST

BT

REPTR 50/1040 PIP QVR 2 011745A 50 51 34

AQ2716 50 AG732 30 51 A9 28

SENT G L E S AR ++++

sum *all* *BN/91m/2313*

747

ARMY FORM C-1136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Sd No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM		Originator	Date-Time of Origin.	Office Date Stamp
A 50 BLU			301100	
For Action				
MM 1A				
TO				
(W) For Information (INFO)				
51 BLU				
4				
Message Instructions				
GR				

Originator's No.

A.G. 732 CONFIDENTIAL Ref: A.9 of
 51 BLU dated 28 JAN 0 Subject is
 Italian field cashiers 0 similar position
 to that of CREMONA exist in FRIVH 0
 Request immediate provision of Italian
 field cashiers thru group.

[Signature]

A.G. 732 CONFIDENTIAL Ref: A.9 of

51 BHU dated 28 JAN 0 Subject is
Italian field cashiers 0 similar position
to that of CREMONA exist in FRIVH 0
Request immediate provision of Italian
field cashiers the group.

[Signature]

746

This message may be sent IS WRITTEN by any means except	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority.	Time	System	Op.
			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed	IMPORTANT	Time cleared		

ARMY FORM C2136 (Large)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Srl No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)

Originator

Date-Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

GR

Originator's No.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785020

Man. Regt. Army
Post. Regt. Army
281115Z
20 320

U.S. O. CONFIRMATION O. INFORMATION FOR CEMENTING
that we off get unit let to send pay
then PROPOSED only with O in full
location when pay was drawn from
BULGARIA request made to SUET for ITALIAN
for cashed to be after but was refused O
that instead withdrawing offer from the
line for periods 2 to 3 days O present
there are forced to adopt some impractical method
O request urgently produce be brought on
SUET to disparted for cashed to find
also to draw both groups

Originator's No.

ALL CONFIDENTIAL O understood for CEMENTS
 that one off set unit had to about pay
 the FIVESEVEN early month O in full
 location when pay had drawn from
 FIVESEVEN request made to SURE for ITALIAN
 it ordered to be att but was refused O
 that instead with drawing off for the
 time for periods 2 to 3 days O personal
 FIVESEVEN are forced to adopt some impractical method
 O request urgently pressure be brought on
 SURE to dispatch for ordered to put
 down to have both groups

740

This message may be sent
 AS WRITTEN by any means
 except } WIRELESS

Signed

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or to fall
 into enemy hands this message
 must be sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions
 Degree of Priority.

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR		
Time cleared		

0157