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VEHS - MOB MANTOVA CRUPPO

Jan. 4, 1945 - NOV. 2, 1945

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Subject: Chiclog

Hq Inf Div MARINA

Copy of Hq 2 District letter 2358 c(302), dated 29 Oct 45, is forwarded herewith for necessary action.

Field.
MH/wjs.

56 B.I.U.
2/1 Q

2 NOV 45

[Signature]
for Lt Col
GS.

6425

198A

197

file

SUBJECT: - Vehicles.

Hq 2 District, Cmr.
2358 G(SD2)

29 Oct 45.

56 BEN ✓

Ref your 2/10 of 22 Oct 45.

Dodge 3 ton lorry WD No 5088763 will be
taken on charge by MANTOVA Inf Div from 'T' Medical
Depot (Italian). This letter will be quoted as authority
in Part X Orders.

GFC/gr

G. P. Campbell
Lieutenant Colonel
General Staff.

31 OCT 1945

642

File

Subject:- No. 3 Italian GT Coy.

56 HLU
2/1 Q

195A

26 Oct 45.

HQ MANTOVA Inf Div.

193A

1. Following extract from MIA letter SF 1803 dated 19 Oct referring to 3 GT Coy are forwarded for information and necessary action.
2. May 3 GT Coy be informed.

" Indents for MT spares, vehicle replacements etc, should be placed through 56 HLU and dealt with in the same manner as are component units of the Mantova group.

The ministry of War have been informed the Mantova Group is the next highest authority to the company, and NOT 231 Adm Div. "

In The Field,
AWG/mh.

[Signature]
Lt Col,
G. Co.

6423

File *192A*

Subject: Replacement of vehicles.

56 HLN
90

3 Oct 15.

Ord
56 HLN.

1. Herewith AF's G 1043 and G 994 for the u/m vehicles on charge to 3 Italian GT Coy.

M/O BSA
M/O BSA
Car 2 Str 4x2 GS AUSTIN
Truck 15-cwt 4x2 FORDSON
Lorry 3-ton 4x2 AUSTIN
Lorry 3-ton 4x2 AUSTIN

WD No. C. 5214590
WD No. C. 1459706
WD No. M. 4387016
WD No. Z. 5201890
WD No. L. 4678193
WD No. L. 4676390

2. Replacement for these vehicles will be requested through normal channels.

In The Field.
CO/mh.

[Signature]
Lt Col,
CS.

6422

File

Subject: - Vehicle - 'T' Medical Depot (Italian).

P11A

56 MW
2/1 Q

22 Oct 45

1. Branch
HQ 2 District.

ISMA

1. 'T' Medical Depot (Italian) has been disbanded and have returned one 3-ton Dodge WD No. 1, 5088765 to Infantry Division MANTOVA on the grounds that MANTOVA (under whom they were mobilised) originally issued them with the vehicle.
2. May authority be given to take this vehicle on charge or alternatively disposal instructions issued.

In The Field.
ARG/mh.

see 197A

[Signature]
Lt Col.
CH.

6421

File 1 *190A*
Subject: - Vehicle - "T" Medical Depot (Italian).

56 BLU
2/1 Q

22 Oct 45.

HO MANTOVA Inf Div.

1. Pending instructions from 2 District Dodge 3-ton lorry
WD No. L. 5088763 should be taken on charge.

In The Field.
AWG/mh.

for *for* Lt Col,
GS. 6420

ST/ 1 186A
Subject:- Maintenance No. 3 ITI
G.T. Coy

HQ 2 District, CMF
4410/1/ST 3
Tel: 12241-8 Ext 75

ADST
56 HLU

29 Aug 45

No. 3 Italian G.T. Coy., had only just completed its formation in Rome when the larger portion of it was ordered North for operations under MMIA N.W. Italy, and placed under your HQ for Administration. It is felt that the company has probably needed more "fathering" from the point of view of vehicle maintenance and administration than would have been the case with an older unit, and it would be appreciated if a report in respect of the unit could be rendered with particular reference to the present standard of vehicle maintenance, and the efficiency of the officers in matters of administration and discipline.

See File 122 A

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File 11 A 9

G. W. Sheld
Colonel,
D.D.S.T.

R. C. C.

6419

2/10 SEP 1945

185-A

4 Sep 45.

— 1847

1. 3 Italian GT Coy are under adm ocmd MANTOVA Gruppo (our 2107 G(SD1) dated 2 Aug 45 refers). *ISA FILE 99*

2. It is not at present known when this coy will be disbanded but particulars will be passed on to you as and when received.

Granger
Coyd
Colonel,
G.D. & GIG.

2/16 6 SEP 1943

file
1844

SUBJECT :- 3 GT Coy Maintenance.

56 HUT
2/1 Q

1 Sep 45

HQ 2 District

Reference your 1026/Q1 dated 8 Aug 45.

1. Please could the present location of 3 GT Coy be forwarded.
2. It is not understood from this letter whether the responsibility for maintenance of the vehicles will commence before or after disbandment.
3. If responsibility is after disbandment the following points require clarification :
 - (a) Number of drivers who will still be available from 3 GT Coy.
 - (b) The length of time the vehicles will be a MANTOVA responsibility.
 - (c) Whether the vehicles will be in use or not during the period.

4. Your 1040/Q1 dated 27 Aug 45 is not understood as the correspondence forwarded deals with the issue and release of technical equipment for 3 GT Coy. It has not yet been made clear that MANTOVA Combat Group would also be responsible for the provision of stores and equipment for the Company other than those spares required for maintaining the vehicles.

In The Field,
JRM/ajw

see 185A
W. M. J.
2 in Oct, 45

181A

HQ No.2 District, CMF.
1026/Q1
8 Aug 45.

1. Transport of 3 GT Coy, under MATA, is temporarily being used to build up reserve food stocks in Northern ITALY. It is anticipated that this unit may be disbanded from 31 Aug 45.
2. Under authority AFHQ/8158/Q(AR) dated 4 Aug 45, maintenance of these vehicles will be the responsibility of the MANTOVA Gruppo.

Copy to:- MIA
REME

14 Aug 45.

179A

In The Field.
RCN/mh.

Lt Col
GS.

6418

Ref Order 148A 400 Sp8 178A

SUBJECT :- Reception of Vehicle.

No 1183

Wisps Platoon 104 ST Coy
MANTOVA Combat Group

P.M. 104 6 July 45

To:- HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
(MT Office)

Reference letter No 2332 of 3 July 45.

1. In reply to the observations made by the OC of the Mobile Wksps regarding the FORD 80wt No. 4544562 on charge to this unit, I state that no tyre has been changed.
2. When the vehicle was handed over to this Platoon, the tyres were already in a very worn out condition and the vehicle body and chassis were distorted, without bearings, without lights, hood and other accessories.
3. As soon as I took over the Platoon, I at once pointed out to the British NCO who was with the unit, and later to Capt HILL, the very poor state of the vehicle and tried in vain to get it changed.
4. Owing to the poor state of the tyres and the poor road holding quality I maintained that the vehicle was in a dangerous condition.

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(Sd) F/to TEN. FERRARIS A.
OC Wksps Platoon.

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No 2396/Auto

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
(MT Office)

P.M. 104 8 July 45.

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(SCE) F/to TEN. FERRARIS A.
OC Wksp Platoon.

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HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
(MT Office)

P.M. 104 8 July 45.

No 2396/Auto

To :- HQ 56 BLU

For information.

Ref to file 136A file 5p2

177A

SUBJECT:- Location of Vehicle.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

2241/Auto

56 BLU

9 July 45.

Reference 409/Q. 1/21 dated 9 June 45.

1. It has been checked that a Truck 8 cwt FORD GS WD No. Z.4544562, chassis number unknown, engine number unknown, is held by Mech Eng Platoon.

(SGD) F. FORMISANO Major.

6414

Ref Folio 136 file 502
COPY.

Ref:- 409/Q1/21

177A

We have been informed by OC 412 (Co-Op) Ord Vehicle Park that the a/m vehicle was issued to your unit on 25/3/45 under authority Q(AE) 1633, 3 District Release Note No. A/3338.

Will you please inform us of subsequent movements of this vehicle, as a vehicle of the same type, and bearing the same WD No. and chassis No. is now held in this park, and it would appear to be the same vehicle.

Would you please treat this matter as urgent. Your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

In The Field.
9th June 1945.
ALE.

CC 409 (Co-Op) Ord Returned Vehicle Park,
37 Vehicle Company, RAOC CMF.

6413

[illegible]

Folio 123A. File 50.9 refer

175A

SUBJECT:- Tractor FA WD No 4525654.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

2061/Auto

P.M. 104 22 June 45

56 BLU

Reference (2/1 Q dated 18 May 45.

168A

1. The chassis number of the a/m Tractor is 1844072440.
2. It is not possible to give the other numbers as the Tractor has been returned, sentenced BLR by Mech Eng Wksps during the Month of April.

See 167A

(SGD) F. FORMISANO Major
Chief Service Office.

6414

File

168A

Subject:- Issue of vehicles.56 BLU
2/1 Q

18 May 45.

Hq Combat Group MANTOVA.Tractor 4 x 4 PA Chev WD No. 452569.

1. The chassis Number of the a/m vehicle has been quoted as 184472440 which does not appear to be correct, as it has only 9 figures and should have 10 figures.
2. Will you please check this chassis number and confirm if correct, and also please check if this vehicle was overhauled by 12 Army Base workshops prior to issue. This information should be shown in AB 412 on sheet 27, and should also give date of completion of repair.
3. Please treat as urgent.

167 refers also see 175A

In The Field.
RCN/mh.Lch
Lt Col,
GS.

6411

file
159B
Subject: Collection of Vehicles

162A
56 12M
2/1 Q

Combat Group MANTONA

6 May 45.

Reference attached letter 15VP/TA/2/4 of 7 Apr 45.

1. This is forwarded for your information and also for comments you have to make on contents of the above letter.

In The Field.
JPM/mh.

W. Moore May
Lt Col,
GS.

6410

159A
SUBJECT: Collection of Vehicles.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 518.

AFHQ/8118/3/Q(AE).

25 Apr 45.

56 B.L.U. _____

Reference the enclosed copy of letter 13VP/TA/2/4 of 7 April '45 received from O.C. 13 Vehicle Park.

1. Will you please forward any comments you have to make on the contents of the above letter.

W. B. WEBBER

WBW/ES.

W. B. WEBBER, Lt. Col.,
for Major General, G-4(Br).

Copy to Ord (Br) - Your DOS/2/17/5(3) of 20 Apr refers.

*Pass to Mountain
As a/s*

610.

2 MAY 1945
21/10/45

COPY

SUBJECT:- Collection of Vehicles.

13 Vehicle Park,
38 Vehicle Company
R.A.O.C., C.M.F.

O.C., 3 Vehicle Group
38 Vehicle Company,
R.A.O.C., C.M.F.

Ref 13 VP/M:2/4
7th April 1945.

Release Nos. 2086, 2118, 1863 to 5 Italian Combat Group,
through 56 B.L.U. comprising 167 Vehicles and 1 Trailer.

1. On the 4th April at 0800 hours a party of Italian soldiers conducted by three Officers arrived to collect the vehicles under above releases. They were to meet Major E.S. Cox, M.C. The Buffs 56 B.L.U. who was to arrange the handing over of the vehicles from this Park and to sign for the vehicles.

2. This liaison was not effected until 1100 hours 4th April, and it was then decided to arrange Movement Orders for the 5th with Movement Control. The vehicles were already lined up for collection.

3. Movements confirmed that they could move at 0800 hours 5th April and accordingly the party arrived to collect at 0730 hours.

4. They were shown the vehicles and our own drivers were detailed to assist in starting them. Unfortunately the Italian Officers could exercise no control over their men and in a short time the Italian drivers were scattering their vehicles over the whole issue area and trespassing on other parts of the Park. If a vehicle stalled they promptly abandoned it where it was, and sought another, causing complete congestion and confusion, so that five vehicles which had nothing to do with the prepared convoy were taken away. These were subsequently recovered.

5. At the same time, the Italian soldiers tampered with the kits of other vehicles placed purloined equipment in their own vehicles, so that it became necessary to order a complete search of each driver's vehicle and his kit. In this way a large quantity of kit was found to have been filched.

6. Major Cox did not arrive until 1000 hours having been in contact with Movements and he then helped considerably to organise the Italian drivers. 08

7. The confusion had become so great that the convoy personnel had to be withdrawn and the B.O.R. staff on the Park had to reorganise the line of vehicles that had not proceeded from the Park, and Italian drivers were then allotted individually to vehicles in small batches and allowed to proceed.

8. Even then the quality of the driving personnel was so execrable that a certain amount of tuition and help had to be given to them before they could manage the vehicles sufficiently to proceed. In some cases, even after issuing from the Park, they returned through the receipts gate having in the meantime been involved in accidents, or maintaining that the vehicle had defects. In other cases they abandoned the vehicle on the road.

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9. In view of this confusion, Major Cox was requested that a complete physical census be taken of the vehicles on arrival at destination and report rendered to this office.

(signed) T.D.F. POWELL, Captain
O.C. 13 Vehicle Park, 38 Vehicle Coy. RACC.

call 1624

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORINANCE (BRITISH)

Ref: DOS 2/17/5 (3)

Subject:- Deficiencies of Vehicle Accessories.

Tel: Freedom 992

To : - 56 B.L.U. ✓

17th April 1945.

Your 2/19 of 11 April refers.

1. It is noted that you show a requirement of tool kits quantity 99 for Universal Carriers and 92 for Carriers Lloyd.

2. This is NOT understood as complete kit was issued with each vehicle.

3. Any deficiencies must be demanded in detail, but it is not anticipated that requirements exist for full kit replacement.

R.L.J. Till
R.L.J. TILL Major,
D.A.D.O.S. ('A' Sprs),
for Maj-Gen.,
D.O.S., A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- DOS 1/20 (3)

27 APR 1945

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23/4 2/19

ATHO/8350/6/A(AE)

SECRET

DISPATCH

56 BLU (.) 15 ARMY GP (.) 15 ARMY GP (.) 15 ARMY GP (.)
 16 VP 38 VEH COY (.) 2 VEH GP 36 VEH COY (.)
 16 VP 38 VEH COY (.) 6 VEH GROUP 37 VEH COY (.)
 5 V P 38 VEH COY (.)

59896

FINAL RELEASE TO YOU COMPLETING EQUIPMENT 'A' VEH FOR

MANTOVA (5) ITALIAN COMBAT GP (.) SERVED SACRED CIDE MILITARY

THORS (.) ONE (.) ATR 8545 EX 5 VP BLOCALIE (.) TRUCKS 15

CAT ARD 424 PERSONNEL CTR 6 WITH COMPLETE KIT (.)

TWO (.) ATR 8572 EX 16 VP ANCONA (.) HUMANA LE PLACE (.) 17

WITH KIT PARTS I II AND III (.) ALL ABOVE FOR COLLECTION BY UNIT

DRIVERS (.) THREE (.) GMC LE ANCONA CTR 6 WITH KIT PARTS I II

AND III ISSUED ORIGINALLY UNDER SERIAL ATR 8102 WILL BE RETURNED

TO409 ATR TERLIZZI (.) CONVERSION CARD - POWER REPAIRS

CO-ORDINATED CARD (E)

ROUTINE (E)

6403

see 164A

DISTRICT

56 BLU (.) 1414 (.) 15 ARMY GP (.) MAIN LIGHT
 ARMY (.) HQ 38 VEH COY (.) 2 VEH GP 38 VEH COY (.)
 16 VP 38 VEH COY (.) 6 VEH GROUP 37 VEH COY (.)
 5 V P 38 VEH COY (.)

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FINAL RELEASES TO YOU COMPLETING SUPPLEMENT 'A' VEH FOR

MANTOVA (5) ITALIAN COMBAT GP (.) SIGNED SIGNED COTE FILAR.

PHOTOS (.) ONE (.) AVR 8545 EX 5 VP DISCERNIBLE (.) TRUCKS 15

CAT ARMD 424 PERSONNEL VEH 6 WITH COMPLETE KEM (.)

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TO 409 AVP TIRLIZZI' (.) CONVERSION CASE - PONTA. REPTERS

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CO-ORDINATED ORD (H)

ROUTINE
(J.S.)

GRD (BR)
 RAC
 G-3 ORG
 C(AM) 2

8554

M.W.D. PHILIPS, Major
 TROOP 553

all 1460A
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File

Subject: Vehicle Deficiencies

1424

56 HNU
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12 Apr 45.

AFTER C(AE).

Re 3 District.

1. The attached list of vehicles released were not driven from the vehicle parks as they were either not available or in too bad a condition.
2. Please could these releases be implemented.

In The Field.
JIM/mh.

J. M. Morley
6405
61.

VR	DATE	VNI PARK	TYPE	DEMANDED	DEWEL	DEFICIENT
2118	30 Mar	13 Veh Park	Car 50wt 4x4	14	5	9
			Lorries 3 ton 4x2 GS	23	22	1
			Lorries 3 ton 4x4	26	25	1
		6 Veh Gp	Lorry 3 ton Massey type Z	1	-	1
1949	22 Mar	6 Veh Gp	Lorry 300wt 6x4 Crane	1	-	1
1691	4 Mar	9 Veh Park	Tractor 6x4 Hy breakdown	1	-	1
Not yet released		-	Tractors 4x4 Pd Arty	-	-	4

6404

Subject:- Drawing of Vehicles.

Ref folio 95 file 589

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
Chief of Staff Office
03/1708
P.M. 104 - 4 Apr 45.

HQ 56 BLU.

1. Issue of vehicles from English parks is done in a hasty way.
2. More than 1000 vehicles and motorcycles have been drawn, very far, in a month.
3. The units have not even the time for a summary control.
4. On the other side OFF, full of vehicles and of work. cannot do an exact control: that would take hours for each vehicle because that would stop the issue to the units.
5. We are also deficient of 412 and 413 in Italian.
6. It is also to be noted that a great number of vehicles arrive O.R. or without the essential parts (lamps, spare wheel, covers, seats for the driver and so on) or in very bad condition of use and the units are obliged to tow these vehicles and repairs are going very slowly because there are no spare parts.
7. For these reasons when the division will have to move, many vehicles will not be able to move because O.R.
8. We inform you so that you can try to eliminate, if possible, this grave inconvenience.

Lt Col,
Chief of Staff,
A. GUALANO.

6400

SUBJECT:- Vehicle Deficiencies

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 124

AFHQ/8118/3/Q(AE)

30 Mar 45

56 BLU

Ref your 2/19 dated 29 Mar 45.

1. A total of 102 x Trucks 15-cwt 4x2 GS have now been released, which now completes the entitlement of the Mantova Combat Group.
2. One Truck 15-cwt 4x2 GS has been issued in lieu of Truck 15-cwt 4x2 Personnel.
3. These vehicles are expected to be available for issue in the first week of April 45.
4. The release of 1 x Truck 15-cwt 4x2 Compressor has been cancelled from 9 Veh Park, CAFUA, and a new release made from BARI.
5. 49 x Lorries 3-ton have been released.
6. Not available from stock. One of the Lorries 3-ton Wksp at present held surplus will be retained in lieu.
7. Vehicle now released.
8. Vehicles now released.
9.) Release of these vehicles still stands, as they were not
10.) cancelled on VR/1798.

DHT/MLP

J.R. *Mullin* Major.
for Major General G-4 (Br).

2 APR 1945

File *128A*

Subject:- Vehicle Releases.

56 HUN
2/1 Q

| Apr 45.

5 District (Q).

ABHQ (Q).

216 Italian Field Surgical Unit.
(CM/575/1)

1. Under authority of amendment No. 1 to CM/575/1, the following vehicles are now to be supplied from British resources:-

Lorries 3 ton 4 x 2 GS - 2.

2. May the release of those vehicles please be made.

In The Field.
HTT/mh.

H. Moorhead
+ Lt Col,
GS.

6401

class V.

20 were released on VR 1268 and 3 District A 2638 but were not available 408 RVP RAN.

However 6 x 3 ton were originally held by the Group when equipping started, of which three were class II. Thus this leaves a balance of 102, 35 out 4 x 2 GS deficient.

2. One 15 crt 4 x 2 personnel not yet released.
3. Six 15 crt 4 x 4 personnel not as yet released.
4. One 15 crt 4 x 2 machinery NI type released on VR 1540 dated 26 Feb but not available at 9 VP CAPUA.
5. Fortynine lorries 3 ton GS 4 x 2 are deficient.
6. One lorry 6 x 4 machinery type F not released.
7. One lorry 6 x 4 machinery type Z not released.
8. Fourteen cars 5 crt 4 x 4 still deficient.

14 were released under VR 1654 dated 4 Mar, but SO RAN 56 HM, who went to assist with collection of vehicles stated that there were in too bad a condition to be accepted as class II.

9. Twelve trailers 1 ton GS released on VR 1793 of 13 Mar from 2 Veh Group ANCONA now cancelled.
10. One trailer 7½ ton light recovery released on VR 1793 of 13 Mar from ANCONA and therefore also cancelled.

In The Field.
JRM/mh.

130A
JRM
Lt Col,
GS.

File
Subject :- Vehicle Releases.

56 BLW
2/10

29 Mar 45

3 District Q(AS).

AFHQ Q(AS).

114A

Reference MIA message SD 2360 dated 28 Feb and attached release note A. 3.63 on VR/2017.

1. The a/m MIA message stated that the 3 ton lorry held by 'T' Adv Depot Med Stores was now unroadworthy.
2. This transport has now been inspected and appears to be in good condition, the vehicle having only covered 4,500 miles and apparently new.
3. For this reason the release note is returned as the vehicle is not required.

In The Field.
JIM/ah.

J. M. M. M. M.

Lt Col,
GA.

6393

ORIGINATORS FILE No. 8101

AFHQ MESSAGE FORM

86A

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN

SPACE BETWEEN HEAVY LINES FOR SIGNAL USE ONLY

PLS TO RENEWMENT

ACTION TO:

DISCHREE

INFORMATION TO: HQ 38 VEH COY : 6 VEH PK 3 GP 38 VEH COY : 13 VEH PARK
 3 GP 38 VEH COY : 3 GP 38 VEH COY : 6 GP 37 VEH COY : 56 BLU

(REF No.)

38395

CONVERSATION TOON - MICHAELSON ON 5 MARCH (.) SIGNED SACRED CITE

FHQAE (.) RELEASED YOU UNDER Q(AE) RELEASE NO 1678 FOR B FLN

1 MAC THROUGH 56 BLU (.) READ IN COLS (.) A TYPE B CLASSIFICATION

C QTY D VEH PARK (.)

A	B	C	D
M/CYCLES SOLO 500 CC	CL I	6	6 VEH GROUP BARI
CAR LT UTILITY 4 x 2	CL I	1	6 VEH GROUP BARI
AMBULANCE 4 STR 4 x 2 HY	CL I	2	13 VEH PARK POLIGNO
AMBULANCE 4 STR 4 x 2 HY	CL I D	10	13 VEH PARK POLIGNO
AMBULANCE 4 STR 4 x 4 HY	CL I	7	EX VEHs RETURNED BY 5 DIV 6 VEH PARK POLIGNO
AMBULANCE 4 STR 4 x 4 HY	CL I D	6	EX VEHs RETURNED 5 DIV 6 VEH PARK POLIGNO

7 MAR 1945

MESSAGE

Paraph. before retransmitting by any means

COORDINATED WITH ORD (B)

MAR 6 1945 09 11

DISTRIBUTION

2 Q(AE)
1 ORD (B)

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

ORIGINATING
SECTION: Q(AE)

CONTENT AND CLASSIFICATION AUTHENTICATED
BY:

NAME TYPED: J.R. LITTLE MAJOR
TEL No. FREEDOM 124

TIME HANDED IN

su 89
all 88H

Subject:- Vehicle Releases.

56 HJH
2/1 0

73A

14 Mar 45.

AFHQ Q(AB)

Reference conversation DAA & (AB) 56 HJH and 56 Q(AB) AFHQ (Capt TOON).

1. The following is a list of releases which were either not satisfied or by which 5 Italian Combat Group received Class V vehicles, which, it is understood, will not be counted against VR.

(a) VR/917 dated 4 Jan for 5 Italian Combat Group.

Deficiency of 1 Ambulance 4 str 4 x 2 Rv Class V.
1 Tractor 4 x 4 Med Class V.

(b) VR/1051 of 20 Jan for 5 Italian Field Park.

Deficiency of 6 lorries 5 ton 4 x 4 GS Class I.

(c) VR/1269 of 5 Feb for 5 Italian Combat Group.

Deficiency of 2 cars 2 str 4 x 2 Lt Utility Class V.
20 Trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS Class II.

(d) VR/1327 of 16 Feb for 5 Italian Combat Group.

Deficiency of 20 trucks 15 cwt GS 4 x 2 Class II or V.

Of the total of 60 lorries 5 ton GS 4 x 2
5 trucks 15 cwt GS 4 x 2
15 A/Tk Panteon 5 ton 4 x 4, 4mm,
the following were class V -

49 lorries 5 ton GS 4 x 2
5 trucks 15 cwt GS 4 x 2

and these are being held as training vehicles.

6397

In The Field.
JRM/mh.

W. M. M. M.
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BRITISH ARMY CIPHER MESSAGE "IN"

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FROM

OC SIX VEH GROUP 37 VEH COY RAOC CMF

ACTION

56 BLU

INFO

412 ORD VEH PARK

OS/6G/62/821. SECRET. REF YOUR QG2/1 DATED 27. VEHICLES RELEASED TO YOU
ON VR/1/10 AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM 412 VEH PARK LUCERA AS FOLLOWS.

ONE. 49 VEHs ON MONDAY FIVE MAR. TWO. 60 VEHs AND 100 MOTOR CYCLES ON FRIDAY NINE
MAR 45. THREE. PLEASE CONFIRM

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3 MAR 1945

SUBJECT : Vehicle Releases.

DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY TRAINING
AFHQ CMF

Tel : 11656

DMT/55/14/MT.4

23 Feb '45

56 British Liaison Unit

Copy to :- 15 RVP

Ref Vehicle Release A/VR/8363 dated 8 Feb '45 and conversation
Major YATRS - Major GADSDEN.

1. Please collect from 15 RVP quantity 6 Part III kits nearest
equivalent to Part III Trg Scale for use with carriers released under
the a/q Release Note.

2. quote ORDNANCE AFHQ letter DOS/90/4(3) dated 20 Feb '45.

25 FEB 1945

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D.M.T.

File *2/1 Q* *48A*
SUBJECT:- Vehicles.

56 BLU
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20 Feb 45

3 District Q (AM)

Reference 429 Italian Field Hospital and telephone conversation of 19 Feb Major MICHAELSON - DAA & QMG 56 BLU speaking.

1. The bearer of this letter, Ten. Picano Michele is the representative of 429 Italian Field Hospital to whom the release note for one 15cwt GS 4 X 2 should be given, to complete the hospital to ME.

In The Field,
JRM/ajw

JRM Moore
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Lt-Col,
GS.

Subject: Vehicle Allotment

Ref. 70A file 50 Q

H.Q. "MANTOVA"

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03/647

PM 104. 4 Feb 45

27A

To: 3 Field Park Coy
331 Field Hospital
520 Field Hospital
318 Field Bakery

For information:- 56 BLU
104 O.F.P.
Camp Unit Tpt

1. 3 District allotted the following vehicles :-
Order 2431 to 3 Field Park Coy:-

12 Motorcycles 350 class I
3 Cars 5 cwt 4 x 4

Order 2429 to 331 Field Hospital
Order 2431 to 520 Field Hospital
Order 2427 to 318 Field Bakery

2. All the vehicles must be drawn from CAFUA 9 R.V.P. on Feb 5th 45.
3. All the vehicles before joining the units will pass through O.F.P. who will take them on charge and issue them to units.
4. 520 Fd Hosp. will send to CAFUA 2 drivers and 1 Officer.
5. 3 Fd Pk Coy will send at 0700hrs 5 Feb 45, 43 drivers and 1 Officer to H.Q. 104 Engineer Battalion. *f29*
6. 331 Fd Hosp. will send at 0730 hrs 5 Feb, 2 drivers and 1 Officer to PRINCIPAL DI PIERMONTE SQUARE. *2/1*

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7. 318 Fd Bakery will send at 0730 hours 5 Feb, 2 drivers, 1 motorcyclist, 1 Officer to PRINCIPE DI PIEMONTE SQUARE.

8. 104 O.F.P. will provide 1 Officer that will be responsible for the drawing of all vehicles.

9. Camp Unit tpt will send at 0700 hours 2 lorries to HQ Eng Bn for the transport of the drivers to CAPUA. The two lorries will also collect the drivers of 331 Fd Hosp and 318 Fd Bakery in PRINCIPE DI PIEMONTE SQUARE and the Officer of O.F.P.

10. The two lorries (Camp Unit) will debus the men in CAPUA, and immediately return to Camp.

11. O.F.P. and the units will immediately and separately send to UFFICIO AUTO the W.D. numbers, chassis and Contract numbers of the vehicles drawn.

Lt-Col. Chief of Staff.
(A. Gualano)

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Subject: - Vehicles.

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1 Feb 45

MANTOVA Group.

Reference attached vehicle releases.

1. The vehicle releases No's 2429 - 2427 - 2431 - 2426 - 2425.
2. Units will collect their own vehicles from the vehicle parks but all vehicles will be passed through 104. GEP.
3. Completed vouchers for these vehicles will be returned to this HQ. Part X orders will be published ~~cont-ent~~ for the vehicles.
4. These vehicles will be included in the Census of A & B vehicles to be made out ~~weekly~~ by the s/m units.
monthly

In The Field.
JRM/mh.

JRM Moore May
Lt Col,
GS.

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File
Subject: Vehicle Releases.

119
56 ELU

2/1 Q

18 Jan 45.

HQ 3 District Q(AE)

Re Reference your VR/917 dated 4 Jan 45.

1. The vehicles released on this note were :

- 1 Ambulance 4 str 4 x 2 Cl V.
- 6 Trucks 15cwt 4 x 2 Water Cl II
- 1 Tractor 4 x 4 Med Cl V

2. The ambulance and tractor were not available and it is requested that the date of release may be extended and that this unit may be informed when these vehicles are available.

3. The six trucks 15 cwt 4 x 2 Water drawn were class V and not class II as specified. 6390

In The Field.
JRM/nh

REC 19A
Lt Col,
GS.

Subject :- Vehicles. *File*

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18 Jan 45

HQ. MANTOVA Group.

1. Herewith release note for ONE staff car for General Commanding MANTOVA Battle Group.
2. Please arrange to collect this vehicle before 27 Jan 45.

In the Field.
JRM/ec

[Signature]
Lt-Col.
GS.

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4 Jan 45.

Copy to be

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Ordinance.
H. L. H. H.

Reference your Ltr. 104 dated 28 Dec 44.

1. Spare parts for American and British type vehicles should be indentured for on DADOS 56 EEU as and when required through IADs and Mechanical Engineers Workshops.
2. AEs 406 and 412 are usually provided with a vehicle when the vehicle is issued by the British vehicle park concerned.

The ECU has, however, indented for a quantity of ABs 406 and 412 and when they are to hand they will be issued to you.

3. It is not known whether the "Drivers Instructions" pamphlet is available in the Italian language. Enquiries are being made. It is pointed out, however, that issues have been made to all units in the Group of the pamphlet "Ispezioni, Manutenimento E Cura Dei Veicoli Dell' Esercito (a ruote)" in the following quantities:-

	Copies
76 Inf Regt.	200
114 Inf Regt.	200
155 Arty Regt.	200
104 Eng Bn.	150
104 ST Coy.	150
Heavy W/Shops.	50

In the Field.
AKG/ec

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J. M. Corbett
Lt-Col.

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