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Jan. 4, 1945-

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Supplies

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Jan. 4, 1945 - Oct. 26, 1945

File

230A

Subject:- Cigarettes on Repayment.

56 BMJ
1 ST

26 Oct 45.

224A

Hq MANTOVA Inf Div.

1. Reference your 1375/0000 of 8 Oct 45.
2. The contents of your a/n letter were again brought to the notice of MMIA and in reply they state :-

" The issue of cigarettes on repayment is entirely the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry and it is regretted that this office can add nothing to NWI/5/Q dated 7 Aug 45. "
3. Copy of the letter to which MMIA refer was passed to you with our 1 ST dated 10 Aug 45.

In The Field.
BGA/mh.

E. Dyling Col
for Lt Col,
GS.

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Feb

SUBJECT :- Unit Canteens.

228A

56 BLU
1 ST

20, Oct 45

HQ 59 Area

- 218A*
1. Authority previously granted under 2 District letter 1003/Q1 of 29 Sep 45 for the unit to draw Canteen supplies from 40 BIS expires on 31 Oct 45.
 2. As this unit has now passed to under/command your HQ may authority please be given for issues to be continued from the BIS in or nearest to GHQA.
 3. Approximate strength of unit is 40.

In The Field
EWA/ajw

See 231
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LA Card
for Lt Col
GS

REF FOLIO 73A FILE 10/5/45

226 A

Subject:- Fresh Fruit & Vegetables.56 BLU
1 ST15. Oct 45.OC BASC,
60 Sub Area.

Reference phone conversation Major MANNHEIM - Major GADSDON.

1. Herewith attached, list of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables drawn from DIETRA ANGELO PIAZZOLA, GENOA.

In The Field.
/mh.

LA Col
for Lt Col,
GS.

Saw Major Mannheim ref. this p.m. today
— he is now forwarding this forward for payment.
207. D.D. did not receive our 10335. *LA Col* 15/10/45

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
Commissariato Office
VARANZE P.M. 104 - 14 Oct 45.

It is certified that the 1st Composite platoon of 104 ST Coy has received in the w/m days from DITTA ANGELO PIAZZOLA of GENOA the following quantities of fruits and vegetables, that were issued to the units as normal ration:

Date	Item	Kg	Date	Item	Kg
19 Jul 45	Potatoes	163	1 Aug 45	Tomatoes	306
"	Tomatoes	223	"	Pumpkins (small)	436
"	Beans	111	"	Beans	300
"	Egg Fruit	11	"	Carrots	136
"	Pumpkins	47	"	Peaches	602
"	Pears	309	3 Aug 45	Beans	417
29 Jul 45	Tomatoes	325	"	Tomatoes	279
"	Beans	500	"	Pumpkins (Large)	320
"	Potatoes	540	"	Peppers	130
"	Peaches	500	"	Onions	190
30 Jul 45	Onions	125	"	Pears	878
"	Egg Fruit	150	5 Aug 45	Egg Fruit	208
" (small)	Pumpkins	64	"	Carrots	200
"	Beans	401	"	Beans	684
"	Tomatoes	300	"	Tomatoes	182
"	Cabbage	110	"	Onions	160
"	Pears	667	"	Peaches	216
30 Jul 45	Potatoes	227	6 Aug 45	Beans	574
"	Tomatoes	130	"	Tomatoes	110
"	Egg Fruit	193	"	Peppers	120
" (small)	Pumpkins	58	"	Pumpkins (Large)	70
"	Onions	128	"	Cabbage	95
"	Pears	479	"	Peaches	404
			"	Pears	271

(SGT) TRAPANI GIUSEPPE Capt.

(SGT) A. GUARDIA Lt Col,
Chief of Staff.

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"	Beans	111	"	"	"	Pumpkins (small)	436
"	Egg Fruit	11	"	"	"	Beans	300
"	Pumpkins	47	"	"	"	Carrots	136
"	Pears	309	5 Aug 45	"	"	Peaches	602
29 Jul 45	Tomatoes	325	"	"	"	Beans	447
"	Beans	500	"	"	"	Tomatoes	279
"	Potatoes	540	"	"	"	Pumpkins (large)	320
"	Peaches	500	"	"	"	Peppers	130
30 Jul 45	Onions	125	"	"	"	Onions	190
"	Egg Fruit	150	5 Aug 45	"	"	Pears	878
" (small)	Pumpkins	4	"	"	"	Egg Fruit	208
"	Beans	401	"	"	"	Carrots	200
"	Tomatoes	300	"	"	"	Beans	684
"	Cabbage	110	"	"	"	Tomatoes	162
"	Pears	667	"	"	"	Onions	160
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(Sgt) A. GUILLARD Lt Col,
Chief of Staff.

(Sgt) TRAPASSI CHUSSEPPA Capt.

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HQ Combat Group MANTOVA
1375/Comm
VARAZZE P. M. 104 - 8 Oct 45

185A

Following our folio 1088/Comm dated 31 Jul 45 and ref your 1 ST dated 10 Aug 45.

1. This Hq has contacted SURE to recuperate the cigarettes on repayment not issued during the month of April and 15 days of May (total 45 Days).
2. SURE has replied with message 2175/CA dated 5 Sep 45, asking the Group to contact the BLU.
3. Therefore would you please contact competent authorities so that the entitled issue of cigarettes is recovered, specially considering that the ration of tobacco actually issued to the troops is so small, and there is no possibility for the soldiers to get more from other sources.

(Sgt) A. PIGA Major,
for Lt Col,
Chief of Staff.

56 BLU
1 ST

4-000 45

ITALIA IO N.W. ITALY,
PORTLAND

Copy to: - MIA CEROA

Reference your letter NWL/5/9 of 7 Aug 45.

1. The above copy of a further letter from MANTOVA Group on the subject of cigarettes not obtained by them during the months of April and May last is forwarded for your information.
2. MANTOVA Group were acquainted with the full contents of your a/n letter.
3. Would you please advise this HQ whether anything further can be done

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(Sgt.) A. PICK Major,
for Lt Col,
Chief of Staff.

Subject : Cigarettes on Repayment.

56 MW
1 ST

14 Oct 45.

ROMA TO N. Y. ITALY,
MILAN.

Copy to: - ИТА

Reference your letter MWL/5/9 of 7 Aug 45.

1. The above copy of a further letter from MANTOVA Group on the subject of cigarettes not obtained by them during the months of April and May last is forwarded for your information.
2. MANTOVA Group were acquainted with the full contents of your a/n letter.
3. Would you please advise this HQ whether anything further can be done in this matter.

In The Field,
ECC/mh.

251

Lt Col,
G.S. 100

— all 229a

Subj: Local Purchase

HQ Combat Group MAITOVA

56 HUH
1 ST

8 Oct 45

Reference this office letter 1 H dated 15 Sep 45.

1. The contractor complains that no payment has been made.
2. 60 Sub Area wish to know whether it is the intention to pay these bills.
3. Please inform this HQ as soon as possible.

In The Field.
AWG/mh.

222 A
refer

Lch
Lt Col,
GS.

Subject: - Local Purchase.

56 BMT.

Copy to: - MHA, I.O. N.W. Italy.

Headquarters
60 Air Area CWP
Tel 51438
200/ST
4 October 45.

222A

200A

Ref MHA letter AC/Lr of 12 Sept (copy to this HQ),
contractor still complains that no payment has been effected.
Could this HQ please be informed if there is any intention
of paying the bills concerned, as payment is now outstanding over 2 months.

Your reply is awaited before the matter is referred to higher
authority.

See 223A

E. E. E. E. E.
Major
CC. RASO.

E-5 OCT 1945

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220A

56 HJH
1ST

Oct 45.

Subject: Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

CC 203 DID
PASC GENOA.

1. Beneath AFs G4033 (CRV) for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contractor to Combat Group MANTOVA.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilo/rammes.</u>	
	Tomatoes	325	Date of collection 29 Jul 45.
	Beans	500	
	Potatoes	540	
	Peaches	500.	
	Potatoes	163	
	Tomatoes	223	
	Beans	111	Date of collection 19 Jul 45.
	Egg Fruit	11	
	Pumpkins	47	
	Pears	309	
	Onions	125	
	Egg Fruit	150	Date of collection 30 Jul 45.
	Pumpkins	64	
	Beans	401	
	Tomatoes	300	
	Cavoli	110	
	Pears	667	
	Tomatoes	306	Date of collection 1 Aug 45.
	Pumpkins	436	
	Beans	300	
	Carrots	136	
	Peaches	602	
	Beans	447	
	Tomatoes	279	Date of collection 3 Aug 45.
	Pumpkins	320	
	Peppers	130	
	Onions	190	
	Pears	878	
	Egg Fruit	203	Date of collection 5 Aug 45.
	Carrots	200	
	Beans	684	
	Tomatoes	162	
	Onions	160	
	Peaches	216	
	Beans	574	Date of collection 6 Aug 45.
	Tomatoes	110	
	Pumpkins	120	

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Date of collection 29 Jul 45.

Date of collection 19 Jul 45.

Date of collection 30 Jul 45.

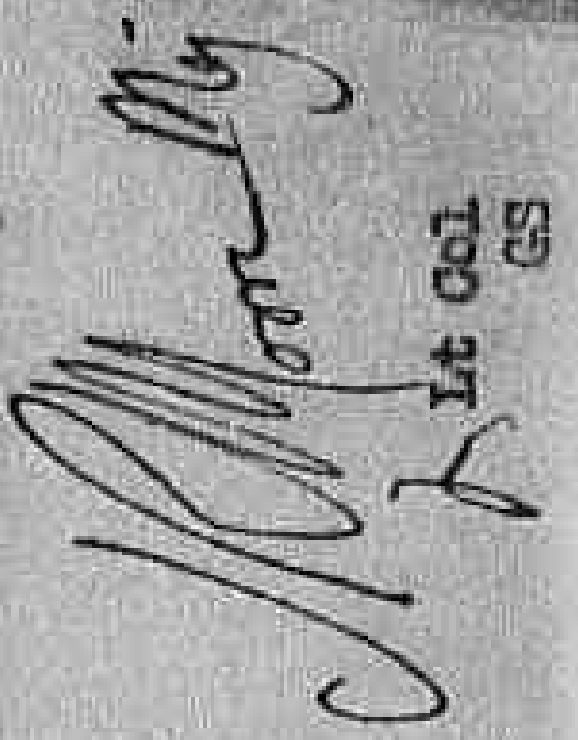
Date of collection 1 Aug 45.

Date of collection 3 Aug 45.

Date of collection 5 Aug 45.

Date of collection 6 Aug 45.

Date of collection 30 Jul 45


Lt Col
GSIn The Field
/ejw

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Tomatoes	162
Onions	160
Peaches	216
Beans	574
Tomatoes	110
Peppers	120
Pumpkins	70
Cabbage	95
Peaches	404
Pears	271
Potatoes	227
Tomatoes	130
Egg Fruit	193
Pumpkins	58
Onions	128
Pears	479

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REF FOLIO 65A FILE 10 S.T.11

209A

SUBJECT :- Local Purchase.HQ 60 Sub Area
Tel 51488

300/ST

17 Sep 45

ANGELO PLAZZOLA
Via CASAREGHIS 46/2 - GENOVA

Copt to :- 56 BLU

You are informed that your bills have been forwarded to 56 BLU asking that payment is done through GENOVA COMMISSARIATO, as per MILA instructions dated 12 Sep 45.

If any difficulty arises please contact this HQ.

(SGD) ??????????????
Major
OC RASC200A } ref
201A }

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SUBJECT :- Hospital Supplies.

208A

36 HLU
1 ST

17 Sep 45

S & T MHA IO
FW ITALY

1. Combat Group MANTOVA state they have found some difficulty in drawing hospital rations and that those rations were not received for last month. Could this matter be investigated please ?
2. They further request that a ration of sugar be included in the hospital ration but it is understood by this HLU that sugar is not included in the scale. Is it possible to make this addition ?

In The Field,
JEM/ajw

RM Moore
Lt Col,
GS.

See 210.A
202A refer

File 207A
SUBJECT :- Wine - Combat Group MANTOVA

56 KLU
1 ST

17 Sep 45

S & T MILA LO
NW ITALY

1. Complaints have been received for the last fortnight on the poor quality of wine issued to MANTOVA Combat Group from the depot at GENOA - CORNICELLIANO. The Group states that this wine has been analysed and shown to contain a low grade of alcohol and such a high acid content as to make it undrinkable.
2. The Group HQ therefore issued instructions that this wine was not to be drawn in future.
3. As the Group further state that complaints made by them to the DIREZIONE DI COM/TO MILITARE and TERRITORIAL HQ GENOA have had no effect, this matter is brought to your notice for such enquiries as you think fit to be made in order that this situation may be remedied.

In The Field,
JRM/a/v

See 211-A

205 r/en

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JRM
Lt Col,
AS.

Lib *206-A*
SUBJECT :- Canteen Rations.

56 DLU

1 ST

6 Sep 45

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

1. At appendix 'A' attached is given the allocation to Commands of Canteens Supplies for Italian Troops in N. Italy for September 1945. These Canteen Rations will be used solely for canteens and clubs operated by Commands and Formations. The allotments to Territorial Commands includes all Combat Groups within their territory.
2. Territorial HQs will forward list of all clubs within their territory which are operating for Italian Troops to this office. No further allocation will be made for Canteen Rations in future.
3. Allotment to Combat Group MANTOVA will be made through the Territorial HQ GENOA.

In The Field,
JRM/ajw

J. M. Smith
Lt Col,
CS.

203 ref

Appendix 'A'

FORMATION	ITEMS					TO BE DRAWN FROM DISTRIBUTION DEPOTS AT :
	Flour lbs	P/Meat or Fish lbs	Sugar lbs	Coffee lbs	Olive Oil lbs	Salt lbs
1 Territorial HQ	1210	630	454	297	403	19
2 Territorial HQ	1210	630	454	297	403	19
3 Territorial HQ	1210	630	454	297	403	19
4 Territorial HQ	1209	630	453	298	403	19
5 Territorial HQ	1209	630	453	298	404	18
Totals	6048	3150	2268	1487	2016	94

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REF Folio 64A - FILE 105T 205A
SUBJECT :- Wine.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

1276/Comm

12 Sep 45

56 BLU

Herewith copy of folio 1247/Comm dated 6 Sep 45 referring to dis-service in the furnishing of the commodity mentioned in the subject, for your information and any action you will think fit to take.

See 207A
(SGD) A. GUALANO Lt Col,
Chief of Staff

SUBJECT :- Wine.

COPY

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

1247/Comm

P.M. 104 6 Sep 45

To:- DIREZIONE DI COMM/TO MILITARE
GENOA

Copy to:- TERRITORIAL HQ
GENOA

The wine actually issued by the ration dump of GENOA-CORNIGLIANO is of very bad quality.

As a result of the attached copy of analysis, over and above being a low grade of alcohol, it has high acidity which makes it undrinkable.

The above is brought to your notice for action. It is suggested that this wine should no longer be issued, and in the case that no wine of good quality is available, that authority be given for purchase directly from civilian contractors.

Meanwhile instructions have been issued to the supply officer of this Group, not to draw wine with the same characteristics as the one issued up to the present.

The issue of this wine to the units causes a series of complaints.

(SND) A. GUALANO Lt Col,
Chief of Staff

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Lt. Col. J. R. Moore

202-A

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

P.L. 104 12 Sep 45

Notes for Lt Col J. R. MOORE.

Special rations for Hospitals, starting from September, will be issued to Hospitals of Combat Group MANTOVA, no longer from HQs of Adm Div but from the DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO of Territorial HQs.

The letter 1/4780 dated 7 Nov 44 of DIREZIONE GENERALE DI SANITA MILITARE (GENERAL DIRECTOR OF MILITARY HEALTH) ITALIAN WAR DEPARTMENT fixes the following special ration scale in addition and in lieu of the ordinary ration :-

Milk	- 50 Centiliters
Rice	- 90 Grammes
Margarine	- 15 :
Extract of Meat	- 15 :
Juice of Tapioca	- 60 :
Samolino	- 60 :

This special ration was not allotted for the months of June, July and August. The DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO of GENOA assured that it would be issued in a few days time.

For the month of September will you please see if it is possible that in the allotment of special rations for Hospitals, a special issue of milk is made as the ration is very scarce, also that a special allotment of sugar is made as it is indispensable in the Hospital ration.

The average admission to Hospital is considered to be 100 men per day.

600 men

(SGD) Michele BONELLI Major
for Lt Col Chief of Staff

to Hospitals of Combat Group MANTOVA, no longer from HQs of Adm Div but from the DIREZIONE DI COMMISSARIATO of Territorial HQs.

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Extract of Meat	- 15 :
Juice of Tapioca	- 60 :
Semolino	- 60 :

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60 a week

(Sd) Michele BONELLI Major
for Lt Col Chief of Staff

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*File**201-A*SUBJECT :- Local Purchase.56 BLU
1 ST*15 Sep 45*HQ Combat Group MANOVA

Reference the attached bills in connection with local purchases.

1. These are returned to you. These bills can be paid to contractors through the Commissariato, GENOA.
2. In future please pass bills direct to Commissariato GENOA for payment and not to 60 Sub Area or the ST MARIA IO NW ITALY.

3. *As the second time the matter has been brought to your attention.*

In The Field,
JRM/cjw

Lt Col,
GS.
*See 200.A**See 209A**See 223A*

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SUBJECT :- Canteen Supplies

199A
56 ELS
1 ST

14. Sep 45.

60 Sub Area (Q)

1. This unit is twentyfive miles from the nearest ORs Canteen at CHENOA.
2. May authority please be given for the issue of extra canteen items from 40 BIS.

Strength - 40

In The Field,
HTT/ajw

HW
Lt Col,
GS

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See 212A

Subject: - Canteen Rations.

To: - 1 Territorial HQ, TURIN.
2 Territorial HQ, GENOA.
3 Territorial HQ, MILAN.
LEGNANO Group.
CREMONA Group.
MANNOVA Group.
231 Adm Div HQ.

M.M.I.A. L.O.,
N.W. Italy,
MILAN.

Phone: MILAN 13989.

MIL/5/Q.

14th. August, 1945.

1. At Appx 'A' att is given the allocation to formations of canteen supplies for Italian tps in 2 District. These canteen rations will be used solely for canteens and clubs operated by formations.

2. Canteen supplies are furnished from the saving on the ration scale caused by Italian personnel on leave not drawing rations. These supplies will therefore be drawn from Italian Distribution Depots as shown in Appx 'A'.

3. Addressees will draw canteen rations on separate forms ST/8 clearly marked "CANTEENS." Only canteen rations will be entered on this ST/8.

4. Territorial HQ will ensure that Italian Distribution Depots forward to HQ M.M.I.A., issuing vouchers showing:-

- (a) Items issued and quantity.
- (b) Signature of receiving formation.
- (c) Counter signature of issuing Distribution Depot.
- (d) Authority for issue, i.e. M.M.I.A. Signal Q 498 dated 5 Aug.

5. Territorial HQ will forward to this office the location of clubs, operated by them for Italian tps, where these rations will be used.

Major,
ST MIA IC,
N.W. Italy.

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JCS/gb

Copy to:- HQ, M.M.I.A.
HQ, 2 District.
52, B.L.U.
53, B.L.U.
50, B.L.U.

M.M.I.A. L.O., TURIN.
M.M.I.A. L.O., C/O 65 Sub Area.

MAJOR,
SR MAIL LO,
M.M.I.A.

18 AUG 1945

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Appx 'A' to NWI/5/Q
dated 14th. July, 45.

FORMATION.	ITEMS						To be drawn from Italian Distribution Depots at:-
	Flour lbs.	P/meat & Fish lbs.	Sugar lbs.	Coffee lbs.	Olive Oil. pints	Salt lbs.	
1 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	TORIN
2 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	GENOA
3 Terr HQ	110	57	41	28	36	1½	MILAN
LEGHANO Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	MILAN
GRENOBA Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	ALESSANDRIA
MANTOVA Gp	437	228	164	109	146	7	GENOA
251 Adm Div	219	114	83	54	74	3½	MILAN
TOTAL	1,860	969	698	465	629	29	

COPY

SUBJECT :- Cigarettes on Reimbursement

To:- 56 BLU

Reference your 1 ST dated 5 Aug 45.

1.

It is not understood what action MANTOVA Gp require to be taken by this office because :-

- (a) Under issues in April, May, June and July cannot obviously now be made up.
- (b) W.C.F. 6 Aug 45, cigarettes are drawn through Italian DID's.
- (c) Ration Scales are laid down for the whole Italian Army according to availability, and affect the whole Army.

2.

If there is any difficulty experienced in future in drawing from the Italian DID's, please inform this office. Any complaints, however, with regard to the ration scale should be addressed by MANTOVA Div to the Ministry of War.

JCA/gb

(SND) ???????? Major
Sr MILIA LO NW Italy

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SUBJECT :- Cigarettes on Reimbursement

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

56 BLU
1 ST

6 Aug 45.

M.L.I.A. L.O.
H.W. ITALY
MILAN.

Phone : MILAN 13969

NWT/5/Q

7 August 45.

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File

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JCE/gb

(SED) ???????? Major
Sr MIA IO NW Italy

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SUBJECT :- Cigarettes on Repayment.

Hq Combat Group MANTOVA

56 HLU
1 ST

185A / 6 Aug 45.

Reference your letter 1088/Comm dated 31 July 45.

1. The above copy of reply from MIA LO N.W. Italy MILAN is forwarded to you for information.

In the Field,
RCM/ajw

See 224A
268 225A
f Lt Col,
GS.

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File 190A

SUBJECT :- Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

56 BLU
1 BT

10 Aug 45.

O i/c Local Resources Depot
FLORENCE

190A

Reference the attached AF 01680 dated 29 July 45.

1. At the time of drawing these supplies from your Depot in FLORENCE, the MANTOVA Combat Group was drawing supp on the account of 561 Comp PI ARSENAL.
2. The fresh vegetable and fruit items only of the ration scale was drawn from the LRD at FLORENCE and not from 561 Comp PI because 561 PI were not in a position to supply.
3. Consequently this account should be rendered to 561 Comp PI for settlement and AF 01680 is returned herewith.

In The Field,
RBN/agw

Lee
Lt Col,
GS.

file

SUBJECT :- Supply Requirements - Italian Armed Forces.

56 BLU
1 ST

189A

8 Aug 45.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

188A

1. For clarification of all future supply problems that may arise, extracts from HQ 2 District letter 4009/7/ST1 dated 2 Aug 45 are forwarded herewith.
2. With effect from 6 Aug 45 all Italian Armed Forces will draw their complete supply requirements from Italian Distribution Depots, and no further issues of any sort will be made from British DIDs after 5 Aug.
3. Supplies for the MANTOVA Combat Group, less 114 Inf Regt., will be drawn from the Italian Distribution Depot located at - 2 Comando Territoriale GENOVA - CASENVA MARABOTTO CORNIGLIANO, GENOVA.
4. 114 Inf Regt will draw their supplies from the LEGNANO Combat Group, who in turn draw from the MILAN Distribution Depot.
5. The provision of all fresh items will be an Italian responsibility on a unit basis.

In The Field,
RCN/ajw

lec
Lt Col,
GS.

File

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SUBJECT :- Cigarettes on Remyment.

56 ELU
1 ST

5 Aug 45.

MMIA LO
2 District

185A

Reference attached copy of letter 1085/Comm dated 31 Jul 45 of MANTOVA
Combat Group.

1. Would you please take up this matter with 209 (Italian) Adm Div., and
advise this RUM of further investigation.

In The Field,
HCH/a.jw

Lch
Lt Col,
CS.

Copy to :- HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

all 192A

Ref Delta 85A File 1057
SUBJECT :- Cigarettes on Repayment.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

1088/Comm

56 BLU

P.R. 104 31 Jul 45.

1.

During the month of April, since the move of the Group to the PADDIA area, the monthly ration of cigarettes (150) on repayment was not issued.

2.

During the month of May 209 Italian Adm Div in PERUGIA should have issued the cigarettes on repayment, but suddenly the a/n Div moved to another area leaving the order to draw the cigarettes required (15 quintels) from 37 BSD AREZZO. This issued on the 22 May to the officer appointed only 7 quintels of "MILIT", covering only 15 days ration.

3.

In total the soldiers have not been issued with cigarettes on repayment for 45 days, being 225 cigarettes per man.

4.

The question was raised with the IO WD (letter 855/Comm dated 23 May 45).

5.

On the 25 May the WD interested Land Forces Sub Comm (MILIA) (letter 10367/S/1 to solicit their agent who was in charge of the distribution of "MILIT" cigarettes to Italian units located in NORTH Italy to issue the ration of cigarettes to Combat Group MANTOVA.

Having stated the above and considering that

(a)

Until now we have neither received the cigarettes of the ration nor any news on the question.

(b)

From 1 Jun 45 issue of cigarettes on repayment has been temporarily suspended.

(c)

The units have represented that the missed cigarette issue has a bad influence on the morale of the troops.

(d)

W.e.f. 1 Aug the actual ration of cigarettes (10 per day) will be reduced to 50 per week.

6.

You are asked to interest MILIA LO to resolve the a/m question.

Ref Delta 85A File 1057

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3. In total the soldiers have not been issued with cigarettes on repayment for 45 days, being 225 cigarettes per man.
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5. Having stated the above and considering that
 - (a) Until now we have neither received the cigarettes of the ration nor any news on the question.
 - (b) From 1 Jun 45 issue of cigarettes on repayment has been temporarily suspended.
 - (c) The units have represented that the missed cigarette issue has a bad influence on the morale of the troops.
 - (d) W.e.f. 1 Aug the actual ration of cigarettes (10 per day) will be reduced to 50 per week.
6. You are asked to interest MILIA IO to resolve the a/m question.

(SGD) A. GUALANO Lt Col
Chief of Staff

264

File

SUBJECT :- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

00 105 DID
RASC RLJ:NI

1834

56 HLD
1 ST

✓ Aug 45.

1. Herewith AIs G4053 (CRV) for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contactor to MANITOBA Combat Group.

2. Items hereunder.

Kilograms

Beans	2863
Plums	621
Peaches	662

Date of collection 16 July 45.

Beans	1488
Plums	398
Peaches	529
Pears	16

Date of collection 18 July 45.

Plums	155
Peaches	604

Date of collection 22 July 45.

Plums	49
Water Melons	114

Date of collection 26 July 45.

In the Field,
RCN/ajr

del
1st Col,
CS.

2. Items hereunder:Kilograms

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PCW/s.jr

Lee
Lt Col,
CS.

263

Subject: Saps - Italian Military. *File*

56 MIL
1 ST

31 July 45 *180A*

OO RASC
HQ 60 Sub Area.

MANROVA CURRENT GROUP.

Reference conversation Majors ADERBOLD - HINES and Gayle GURR of 30 July at HQ 60 Sub Area, the following arrangements are herewith outlined.

1. All units of MANROVA Group, less 114 Inf Regt and 155 Arty Regt, will draw supplies in bulk less fresh vegetables and fruit from 42 BND GENOA forthwith. Estimated feeding strength - 5000 MAF. Fresh vegetables and fruit will be collected direct from the civilian contractor by Montevia who will be solely responsible for ensuring that quality and quantity are satisfactory on collection and forward AF's G1053 in duplicate as G1053 to RASC 56 MIL for onward transmission to 42 BND after quantities have been checked against entitlement.
2. 114 Inf Regt will continue to draw ALL supplies including fresh vegetables and fruit under arrangements made with the LIGURIA GROUP in the MILAN Area, until the Regt returns to under command of MANROVA.
3. 155 Arty Regt will continue to draw ALL supplies including fresh vegetables and fruit from 69 BND PIEMONTE under arrangements made with OO RASC 215 Sub Area, until 69 BND are no longer in a position to supply.

In The Field.

RCH/wh.

Copies to: OO RASC 215 Sub Area.

HQ MANROVA - Your attention is drawn to this HQ letter 1 ST dated 30 June 45 and paras 3, 4 and 5 of letter 1 ST dated 13 June 45.

File 3 G.

sch
10 Col,
GR.

Subject:- Issues to Italian Military.

DA DST
56 BLU

Headquarters
60 Sub Area CMAF
Tel 51488
41/ST
27 July 45

Attached for your information are copies of this
office letters 41/ST dated 25 July and 26 July regarding
rationing of the MANTOVA Group.

W. G. ...
Major
CC .RASC

29 JUL 1945

ST

Subject:- Rations - Issues to Italian Military.

42 BSD

Copy to:- 203 DED.

Headquarters
60 Sub Area CMT
Tel 51488
41/ST
26 July 45.

2 District signal QS 353 of 17 July is repeated for information and action:-

"
On arrival this Dist. MANTOVA Gruppo less 114 Regt. will be maint. as follows (.) Gruppo will draw sups in bulk from 42 BSD

"
It has since been confirmed by 2 District that 114 Regt. will be included with the remainder of the Gruppo for the purpose of drawing supplies.

Please arrange to issue with effect from 28 July 45.

Your attention is drawn to 2 District Departmental Instruction No. 45 Serial 8 dated 26.4.45 and D.I. No. 54 Serial 9 dated 30.6.45.

W. C. L. Laps
Major
CC RASC.

Subject:- Rations.

CC
203 DID

Copy to:- 56 BLU. ✓

Headquarters
60 Sub Area CMF
Tel 51488
41/ST
25 July 45

Reference rationing of MANTOVA Group.

Reference telephone conversation Dapts Coker - Schofield.

This group will be purchasing their own fresh fruit and vegetables. You will, therefore, issue them with rations LESS their entitlement of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Payment for the group's purchases of fresh items will be made by them direct and will not pass through you by way of ST 8's or in any other manner.

W. E. Coker Capt
Major
CC RASC.

SUBJECT:- Wine & Olive Oil Barrels.

H.Q. No. 2 District, CMF.
Tel. Blenheim 12241-8. Ext. 76
4041/34/ST6
23 Jul 45.

ADST 59 Area
CC RASC 60 Sub Area
CC RASC 151 Sub Area
CC RASC 215 Sub Area
BRASCO 66 A.A. BDE
CC 42 B.S.D.

1. Considerable difficulty is being experienced by MMIA in maintaining supplies of Wine and Olive Oil for the Italian Armed Forces ~~owing to an acute~~ shortage of containers.
2. In order to obviate this difficulty the following action will be taken:-
 - (a) Ensure that empty containers are returned from Units to D.I.Ds. without delay. This might best be guaranteed by instituting issues on a barrel for barrel basis.
 - (b) Barrels from 203 D.I.D. GENOA and Sec 203 D.I.D. TURIN will be returned to 42 BSD GENOA so that they can be refilled by the local contractor.
 - (c) Barrels from 69 D.I.D. PLACENZA will be returned to 93 D.I.D. MILAN.
 - (d) Barrels from 93 D.I.D. MILAN will be consigned by rail to Italian Depot 590, NAPLES. For this purpose a bid for ten tons back-loading is made by this office every other week (23-29 Jul 6-12 Aug etc). ADST 59 Area should confirm that this bid is adequate.
3. CC 42 BSD will ensure that all barrels originating from the local contractor are returned to him. Those which come up from the Base by sea must be returned to Italian Depot 590, NAPLES.
4. It is emphasised that these instructions for the return of barrels must be carried out with the least possible delay.

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

Copy to:- CQSO 6 S.A. Armed Div
DADST 51 ELU
DADST 52 BLU
DADST 56 ELU

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546 700 12

1724

COPY MESSAGE

FROM:- Q DISTRO

DATE-TIME OF ORIGIN:- 131510 B

FOR ACTION :- 59 Area, 52 BLU, 56 BLU

INFORMATION :- 60 Sub Area, G, A, SE, ORD, POSTAL, EFI

ORIGINATORS No :-

QS 333 (CONFIDENTIAL) (.) HV 00/3430 of 8 para 2 (.) On arrival this Dist Inf Regt MANTOVA Gruppo under command LERMANO Gruppo will be maintained as follows (.) Sigs will be drawn in bulk by LERMANO Gruppo from MILLAN and Regt will draw from Maint Area at TRUVICHO 25768 (.) POL will be drawn by Regt from 207 Pet Dep MILLAN up to maximum 1500 gals per day (.) Ord stores through LERMANO Gruppo (.) EFI Sigs for July will be drawn through MANTOVA Gruppo and thereafter through LERMANO Gruppo

SUBJECT:- Supplies

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

56 BLU
1 ST

1711A
17 July 45.

1. The above copy message QS 333 dated 131510B is forwarded to you for information and necessary action.

[Signature]
Lt Col,
Gen. GS.

1203

File

1704

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

56 BLU
1 ST

17 July 45.

OG 103 DID
RASC RIMINI

1. Herewith Afs G4033 (CRV) for fresh fruit and vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.
2.

<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
Beans	2636
Films	1003
Peaches	413
3. Date of collection 14 July 45.

In The Field,
AG/ejw

[Signature]
for Lt Col,
GS.

File

169A

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

56 BLU
1 ST

5 July 45.

OO 103 DID
RASO RIMINI

1. Herewith AFE G1033 (GRV) for fresh fruit and vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
	Cucumber	64
	Beans	1099
	Pumpkins (small)	72
	Tomatoes	1615
	Plums	362
	Apricots	237
	Peaches	976

3. Date of collection 12 July 45.

In The Field,
RON/ajw

hch
f Lt Col.
GS.

file

168A

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.56 BLU
1 ST12 July 45.OG 103 DID
RASC RIMINI

1. Herewith AFs G1033 (GRV) for fresh fruit and vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
	Pumpkins (small)	68
	Tomatoes	1530
	Peaches	556
	Apricots	57
	Plums	651
	Pears	132

3. Date of collection 10 July 45.

In The Field,
RON/ajvLch
f Lt Col,
GS.

File

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

167H

56 RLW
1 ST

10 July 45

OO 103 DID
RASC RUMI

1. Herewith AFs G1033 (CRV) for fresh fruit and vegetables supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
	Potatoes	5915
	Plums	1214
	Apricots	243
	Peaches	147

3. Date of collection 8 July 45.

In The Field,
RGN/ajw

del
Lt Col,
GS.

File

166A

SUBJECT: - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

CG 103 DID
RASC REMINI

56 BLU
1 ST

8 July 45.

1. Herewith AFR 04033 (CHV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2. Items hereunder.

	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
Beans	1592
Onions	3132
Potatoes	730
Plums	551
Apricots	229
Peaches	225

3. Date of collection 4 July 45.

In The Field,
RCW/ajw

Lch
Lt Col,
GS

File

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

OO 103 DED
RASC RIMDI

165A

56 BLU
1 ST

8 July 45.

1. Herewith A/c G1033 (ORV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.
2. Items hereunder

	<u>Kilograms</u>
Beans	500
Tomatoes	983
Pears	92
Apricots	228
Peaches	256
Plums	906
3. Date of collection 6 July 45.

In The Field,
RCN/ajw

lch
Lt Col,
GS.

1 file 164A

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

56 BIA
1 SE

8 July 45.

OC 105 MID
RASO RIMINI

1. Herewith AFs G1053 (ORV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilograms.</u>
	Cucumber	144
	Garlic	20
	Pumpkins (small)	176
	Onions	214
	Celery	47
	Parsley	5
	Lemons	312
	Tomatoes	513
	Plums	545
	Apricots	690
	Peach	263
	Peppers	8

3. Date of collection 2 July 45.

In The Field,
RCW/ajw

253

hch
Lt Col,
GS.

File

SUBJECT:- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables.

56 HLU
1 ST

✓ July 45.

OO 103 DID
RASC RIMINI

1. Herewith AFs G1033 (ORV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
	Cucumber	38
	Beans	1585
	Garlic	29
	Marrow	229
	Onions	215
	Herbs	14½
	Lemons	104
	Potatoes	2900
	Tomatoes	833
	Plums	769
	Apricots	475
	Peaches	499
	Peppers	9

3. Date of collection 30 June 45.

In The Field,
HTT/ajw

252

HTT
Lt Col,
GS.

File
SUBJECT:- Special Condition for Acceptance of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables. *162A*

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

160A refers

56 DLU
1 ST

20 June 4.

1. Herewith a copy of the regulations laid down by the British Army governing the conditions of accepting Fresh Vegetables and Fruit from a civilian contractor.
2. Forwarded to you for information and necessary action.

In The Field,
RCW/AJW

Bliles
Walter
Lt Col,
GS.

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONSFRESH VEGETABLES

QUALITY. All fresh vegetables to be supplied shall be freshly gathered, sound, crisp and free from blight, discoloration and fungi. No washing of root of vegetables or watering of green vegetables will take place immediately prior to delivery. All fresh vegetables must be fit for consumption 72 hrs after delivery.

TRIMMING. All fresh vegetables delivered to the Army will be cleaned and trimmed before delivery. The table shown below specifies the trimmings in respect of each type of fresh vegetable which the contractor must remove before delivery. The Supply Officer is empowered to deduct from the weight of any consignment an allowance for the weight of trimmings described below which have not been removed.

TRIMMING TO BE REMOVED

CARLOTS
MARROWS
LATTICE
FRENCH BEANS
ONIONS

- All leaf and stalk to root new seasons crop.
- Fresh and not less than 3 per kilo.
- Fresh and crisp.
- Fresh and tender.
- Leaves trimmed to within 5 ins of bulb. All containers must contain same weight of onions.

CABBAGES

- Cabbages will be delivered untrimmed (unless ordered otherwise) Receipts will be given for the gross weights of consignments less a deduction of 27% for trimming which will be carried out by the WD. The contractor agrees that his bills for the nett weight of cabbage delivered will be paid for at a price not exceeding 15 lire per kilo.
- Will be of new seasons crop. They will be in perfectly sound and dry condition, absolutely clean and fit for storage, unbruised and free from blight, fungi and discoloration and of first grade sorting and size. They will be bagged in good sound sacks which will become the property of the WD.

POTATOES

FRESH FRUIT
CITRUS

- Will be of good sound quality, sweet, free from blemishes and bruises. They will be guaranteed for three days after collection from the contractors warehouse. They will be supplied in suitable non-returnable wicker baskets and each basket will contain the same weight of fruit, and not more than 15 kg per crate.
- Will be of good sound quality, sweet, free from blemishes and bruises. They will be guaranteed for three days after collection from the contractors warehouse. They will be supplied in suitable non-returnable wicker baskets and each basket will contain the same weight of fruit, and not more than 15 kilos per crate.

PLUMS

ORANGES

- Will be sweet and in sound condition, not thick skinned and free from bluish or mould. There will be no stalks or foliage attached. They will not weigh more than seven oranges per kilo. They will be supplied in non-returnable wicker baskets and each basket will contain the same weight of fruit.
- Will be of first quality, ripe, fresh and in sound condition, free from blemishes or mould. The fruit will be freshly gathered and not more than two days old when delivered.

LEMONS

CARROTS
MANROWS
LETTUCE
FRENCH BEANS
ONIONS
CABBAGE

- All leaf and stalk to root new seasons crop.
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- Fresh and crisp.
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FRESH FRUIT
CHERRIES

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS

CONTAINERS. All fruit and vegetables will be supplied in non-returnable containers.

DETAILS. If the supplier should fail to deliver at the specified times and stations any of the supplies demanded, or to replace those rejected as not complying at the time of delivery with the specification, the I.S.T. or his representative may purchase supplies of a like kind to replace those rejected and the supplier shall be liable for any excess costs between the contract price and the delivered price.

File

SUBJECT: Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.

161A

56 BLU
1 ST

30 June 45.

OO 103 DID
RASU REMINI

1. Herewith AF's G4033 (CRV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2. <u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilograms.</u>
Peaches	523
Apricots	380
Plums	595
Tomatoes	614
Potatoes	3258
Marrows	3
Onions	119
Pumpkin	32
Garlic	8
Cucumber	15

3. Date of collection 28 June 45.

In The Field,
RCN/ajw

hch
Lt Col,
CR.

249

204

File

SUBJECT:- Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.

159A
56 BLU
1 ST

28 June 45.

00 103 DID
RASC RIMINI

1. Herewith AF's G1033 (CRV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2. Items hereunder.

Kilograms.

Potatoes	1745
Tomatoes	798
Plums	431
Apricots	296
Peaches	853

In The Field,
RCN/ajw

Bluel
Lt Col,
GS.

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SUBJECT:- Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

157A
56 BLU
1 ST

26 June 45.

OG 103 DID
RASC MEMPH

1. Herewith APO G4033 (GRV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MANTOVA Combat Group.

2. Items hereunder.

Kilograms

Beans	1022
Marrow	18
Tomatoes	1931
Apricots	459
Peaches	1355

3. Date of collection 24 June.

In The Field,
RCM/ajw

hcl
Lt Col,
US.

File

SUBJECT: Fresh Vegetables and Fruit

156 A

56 BLU
1 ST

26 June 45.

OC 103 DID
RABO RIBINGI

1. Herewith AF's 04033 (GV) for fresh vegetables and fruit supplied by the Civilian Comptroller to HAMMOVA Combat Group.

2. <u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilograms</u>
Carrots	111
Marrow	55
Celery	7
Potatoes	1123
Cherries	69
Apricots	759
Peaches	215
Potatoes	1239

3. Date of collection 22 June.

In The Field,
RCW/ajw

sch
Lt Col,
GS.

File

SUBJECT:- Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.

153A

56 BLU
1 ST

22 June 45.

ADST 217 Area

1. Herewith AFs G1033 (ORV) for fresh vegetables and fruit, supplied by the Civilian Contractor to MALTOVA Combat Group.

2.	<u>Items hereunder.</u>	<u>Kilogrammes.</u>
	Beans -	1,287
	Potatoes -	2,413
	Plums -	854
	Apricots -	590
	Peaches -	295

In The Field,
RON/ajw

hch
f. Lt Col,
GS.

File

SUBJECT:- Local Resources - Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.

152A

56 BLU
1 ST

20 Jun 45

ADST 217 Area.

1. Herewith AFSG1033 (ORV) for fresh vegetables and fruit received by No 2 Camp PI 'MANROVA' on 19 Jun 45.

2. Items hereunder.

	<u>Kilograms</u>
Peaches	152
Plums	263
Cherries	782
Apriocots	465
Salad (Green stuffs)	113
Beans	208
Asparagus	49
Celery	46
Marrow	163
Onions	1772
Potatoes	1156

In The Field
RON/ajw

hel
Lt Col
GS

File

151A

SUBJECT:- Local Resources - Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.56 BIU
1 ST19 June 45.ADST HQ 217 Area

McC11033

1. Herewith, fresh vegetables and fruit collected from the Civilian Contractor OREMINA on 16 June 45, by the 'MANTOVA' No 2 Composite Platoon.
2. Items hereunder.

Kilograms.

Beans	1027
Apricots	43
Cherries	875
Peaches	389

In The Field,
RCTV/ajw

Sch

/ Lt Col,
GS.

REF FOLIO 37A FILE 101T

SUBJECT:- Field Bakery.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

923/Comm

To:- 56 BLU

P.M. 104 13 Jun 45.

Reference query sent with letter dated 7 Jun 45.

We inform you that:

- (a) 342 Field Bakery (Combat Group FOLGORE) is actually in CESENA (barracks ORDELAFI).
- (b) The Bakery is not used and has no materials or ovens to make bread. It is thought better to disjoin it from the Group.
- (c) 318 Field Bakery is still in movement. The location of the Bakery will be in CESENA. The Bakery was issued with 4 British Ovens, which were deficient of many accessories.
- (d) It is thought that the Bakery, although not been used should be kept with MANTOVA Combat Group for eventual panification with civilian ovens.

242

(SGD) F. FORMISANO Major.

12054

File 1

148A

SUBJECT:- Fresh Vegetables and Fruit.

56 BLU
1 ST

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

17 June 45

147A

1. Reference your P.M. 104 dated 14 June 45 you are referred to this office letter 1 ST dated 13 June 45.
2. No 2 Composite Platoon collected the first consignment from the Civilian Contractor on 14 June 45 for consumption 15 June 45, and according to reports received by the BLU the produce has proved to be of most satisfactory quality.

In The Field,
RM/ajw

fel.
Lt Col,
GS.

Ref 7th 34A file 19ST

147A

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

P.M. 104 . 14 Jun 45

Dear Colonel

Also in this new area some inconveniences are noted in the drawing of rations, similar to what we had in TOSCANA, and which I reported to you and to General HEJDEMAN.

The vegetables and the fruits continue to be issued by the DID. It would be better if authority could be given to the units to buy these from the commerce so that they could be more fresh and of quality more acceptable to the soldiers.

It will be appreciated if you will interest yourself in getting what is asked above.

Thanks very much and cordial greetings.

(SGD) BOLOGNA

see 148A

File

SUBJECT:- Local Resources - Fresh Veg and Fruit.

56 BLU
1 ST

ADST HQ 217 Area

146A
16 June 45

1. Further to my letter of even reference dated 13 Jun 45 herewith AFsG1033 in duplicate for fresh veg and fruit collected from the civilian Contractor, GSEMA, on 14 Jun.
2. Items hereunder.

	<u>Kilograms</u>
Cherries	143
Peaches	754
Apricots	683
Beans	1764
Asparagus	318
Onions	445
Greenstuffs (salads)	82
Celery	28

In The Field,
RCF/ajw

hch
Lt Col,
GS

14SA

56 HLU
1 ST

130A

6 Jun 45

file.

Subject: Hospital Diet Items.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA

1. Reference this office letter of even reference dated 27 April 45, and Appendix 'D' attached thereto, will you please advise HQ HLU of total quantities of items drawn from 209 Adm Div (Italian) for the month of June 45.
2. This advice is required by 2 July, and after by the second day of each ensuing calendar month.
3. For your information HQ 209 Adm Div is located at USMMA and they should release against demands submitted on MIA forms ST/8.

In The Field
RCN/ajw

Let.
Lt Col,
CS.

Copy to:- SO Med 56 HLU

Please note 1 Dis have authorised the following items and quantities for the month of June 45.

Milk	625 lbs	Margarine	104.8 lbs
Rice	1179 lbs	Meat Extract	52.5 lbs
Semolina	302 lbs		

2. This advice is required by 2 July, and after by the second day of each ensuing calendar month.

3. For your information HQ 202 Adm Div is located at CSMMA and they should release against demands submitted on MMLA Forms 57/8.

In The Field
RCM/ajw

lcl.
Lt Col,
CS.

Copy to:- SO Med 56 HET

Please note 1 Dis have authorised the following items and quantities for the month of June 45.

Milk	625 lbs	Margarine	104.8 lbs
Rice	1179 lbs	Meat Extract	52.5 lbs
Semolina	302 lbs		

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Subject:- Collection of Supplies.

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56 BLU
1 ST
13 June 45.

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HQ Combat Group MANTOVA.

1. Further to this office letter of even reference dated 5 June 45.
2. Times of drawing from 103 DID RASO, RIMINI, will be at 0800 hours each drawing day commencing 16 June.
3. 103 DID RASO will issue full scale with the exception of fresh vegetables and fruit.
4. If commodities, when drawn, are considered to be in an unsatisfactory state, it is essential that your supply officer registers his complaint with the OC 103 DID at the time of drawing, and also to Major NILES, DADST 56 BLU, for rectification.

In The Field.
RCN/mh.

Copies to:- OC RASO 214 Sub Area.
OC 103 DID RASO.

Lch
Lt Col,
GS.

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B June 25.

1. Confirming conversation of 10 June, Majors NIELS - FAYON and Capt SOYACIA.
2. WEF 16 June you will draw all fresh vegetables and fruit direct from the Civilian Contractor, under arrangements made with the LNO, HQ 217 Area.
3. You are responsible for ensuring that transport is provided for collection, and also that the produce is examined, checked and weighed before acceptance from the Civilian Contractor.
4. Enclosed please find a set of AFs G1033, and ensure that each consignment is recorded on AF G 1033 in duplicate showing description and weights of all produce received. These AFs G 1033 will be forwarded to HQ 56 RUC for onward transmission to AUST 217 Area for payment and support of AF P 1922.
5. Your attention is drawn to the following ration scale as approved and authorized by AFHQ.

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f Lt Col,
CS.

Copy to:- ADST 217 Area. (conversation Major HILES - Capt RAINY of 10 June refers).
OO RABG 214 Sub Area.

see 146A

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SUBJECT:- Field Bakeries.56 BLN
1 STHQ Combat Group MANTOVA7 Jun 45.

1. Will you please supply the following information to HQ BLN:-
- (a) Locations of 318 and 342 Field Bakeries.
 - (b) Details of their present role.
 - (c) If they are not being worked, do you recommend that they be dispensed with and sent elsewhere for duty?
 - (d) Details of equipment held by both bakeries.

In The Field,
RCN/ajw

see 149A

Lch
Lt Col,
GS.

Full *1344*
Subject:- Fresh vegetables - Collection.

56 BEN
1 ST

17 May 45.

HQ Combat Group MANTOVA.

1. Confirming verbal arrangements of 16 May.
2. With effect from 19 May, please arrange to collect your fresh vegetables from :-
The British Local Resources Depot,
REFRESH, FLORENCE.
3. Your supply officer should also contact Captain *KAPP* ~~DEPT~~ RASO, Local Resources officer, HQ Florence Command, FLORENCE.
4. This British officer will be able to advise on the availability of fresh vegetables and fruit in the future.
5. Remainder of commodities will be collected in the normal manner from 561 Composite Platoon, RASO, AREZZO.

In The Field,
RCM/mh.

Copies to:- OC 561 Composite Platoon RASO, AREZZO.

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Lt Col,
GS.

SUBJECT: Ration Scales - Italian Armed Forces.

HQ Combat Group "MANTOVA"

56 MLU
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27 Apr 45.

1. Herewith attached are ration scales for the Group as laid down by HQ 1 District.
2. The Appendices forwarded with this letter are as follows :-
 - (a) Appendix 'A' - Italian Armed Forces Basic Ration Scale.
 - (b) Appendix 'B' - Cigarettes for the Italian Armed Forces.
 - (c) Appendix 'C' - Soap for the Italian Armed Forces.
 - (d) Appendix 'D' - Disinfectant and Miscellaneous Items for the Italian Armed Forces.
 - (e) Appendix 'E' - Hospital Diet Items.
 - (f) Appendix 'F' - Fuel.
3. Your attention is drawn to the following points in connection with these Scales.
 - (a) They are the Scales of Issue approved by the Combined Chiefs of Staff, WASHINGTON.
 - (b) They form the basis on which future provisioning is arranged.
 - (c) The very acute world shortages in nearly all food stuffs does not permit of issues being made outside these Scales however desirable such issues may seem.
4. Appendix 'D' to follow when available.

In The Field,
RCH/mjw

Lt Col,
Lch

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4. Appendix 'D' to follow when available.

In The Field,
RCM/ajv,

Lch
Lt Col,
GS.

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Appendix 'A' to SF/445/5 dated 13 Apr 45.

ITALIAN ARMED FORCES - BASIC RATION SCALE

Part 'A' - Items provided from W.D. Stocks.

(i)	Flour	16
(ii)	Peas and Beans Dried	2
(iii)	Meat Preserved	3
	or	
(iv)	Fish Tinned	3
(v)	Cheese	1
(vi)	Sugar	1
(vii)	Macaroni	3
(viii)	Vegetables Dehydrated	1
(ix)	Catsup	$\frac{1}{2}$
	or	
(x)	Tomato Paste	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xi)	Coffee	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xii)	Pepper	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xiii)	Fruit Fresh	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xiv)	Vegetables Fresh	$\frac{1}{2}$

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Part 'B' - Items provided from Italian War Ministry Stocks.

(xv)	Olive Oil	1	oz
(xvi)	Nuts Without Shells	1	;
	or		
(xvii)	Nuts With Shells	2	;
	or		
(xviii)	Figs Dried	$\frac{1}{2}$	;
(xix)	Salt	$\frac{1}{2}$	;
(xx)	Wine	$\frac{1}{2}$	;
(xxi)	Matches	40	Matches per man per week.

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NOTES

(a) Meat preserved and fish tinned will be issued as alternatives in the following ratios :-

Meat Preserved	-	2 Issues @ 3 ozs
Herrings Tinned	-	1 Issue @ 3 ozs
Salmon Tinned	-	1 Issue @ 3 ozs

(iv)	Fish Tinned	3
(v)	Cheese	1
(vi)	Sugar	1
(vii)	Macaroni	1
(viii)	Vegetables Dehydrated	3
(ix)	Catnap	1
	or	$\frac{1}{2}$
(x)	Tomato Paste	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xi)	Coffee	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xii)	Pepper	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xiii)	Fruit Fresh	$\frac{1}{2}$
(xiv)	Vegetables Fresh	$\frac{1}{2}$
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Part 'B' - Items provided from Italian War Ministry Stocks.

(xv)	Olive Oil	1	oz
(xvi)	Nuts Without Shells	1	:
	or		
(xvii)	Nuts With Shells	2	:
	or		
(xviii)	Figs Dried	3	:
(xix)	Salt	$\frac{1}{2}$	:
(xx)	Wine	$\frac{1}{2}$	:
(xxi)	Matches	140	Matches per man per week.

NOTES.

(a) Meat preserved and fish tinned will be issued as alternatives in the following ratios:-

Meat Preserved	-	2 Issues @ 3 ozs
Herrings Tinned	-	1 Issue @ 3 ozs
Salmon Tinned	-	1 Issue @ 3 ozs

(b) Salt: In addition to the daily entitlement of $\frac{1}{2}$ oz per man, an additional 10 grams per day is also issuable in respect of each ration of bread produced, whether baked in Italian Bakeries or British operated WD Bakeries.

(c) MATCHES: Stocks at present being provided by the Italian War Ministry are in boxes of 100 matches each. Weekly issues will therefore be made on the basis of 2 boxes per 5 Rations.

Appendix 'B' to ST/445/5 dated 13 Apr 45

CIGARETTES FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES

1. Although not appearing on the published Ration Scale for the Italian Armed Forces the Italian War Ministry have undertaken to provide stocks from their own resources and issues will be made on the following scales :-

(a) FREE ISSUE

The scale is 5 cigarettes per man per day for all troops.

(b) ADDITIONAL FREE ISSUE

An additional issue of 5 cigarettes per man per day will also be available to the undermentioned classes of troops :-

- (i) All troops forward of Fifth and Eighth Army Rear boundaries,
- (ii) Friuli, Cremona, Legnano, Foligno and Mantova Combat Groups wherever these groups are located,
- (iii) Cesena Combat Group Reinforcement Centre,

The demanding and distribution of Free Issue Cigarettes will be effected in exactly the same way as is done with the other items of Italian provision in Part B of the Ration Scale. Monthly demands will therefore be placed by this office on to MIA who will arrange for stocks to be placed into ST Base Depots. Onward despatch to Base Depots under control of 13 and 20 CRASC Supply Units will be arranged by DST, AFHQ, and ST at Area and Sub Area will place demands for their requirements on the CRASC concerned.

(c) REPAYMENT CIGARETTES

- (i) The Italian Government have also undertaken to supply certain quantities of cigarettes for issue on repayment.
- (ii) The scale of provision is 5 cigarettes per man per day as far as supplies will permit and the cigarettes will normally be of the "MILIT" and "COMUNE" Brands.
- (iii) Demands for "Repayment" Cigarettes will be placed by 209 Adm Division (Italian) on the Italian War Ministry and will cover the requirements for all ME-III troops in the Area administered by that Division and for any other troops for whom the Division has Adm responsibilities.

- (iv) HQ MIA will then arrange for the required stocks to be placed into ST Base Depots where they will be despatched forward under arrangements made by Det AFHQ to depots controlled either by 13 CRASC Supply Units or 20 CRASC Supply Units whence they will be drawn and distributed by 209 Division.

Stocks may also be released by HQ MIA direct to 209 Division, from local stockpiles wherever possible.

- (i) All troops forward of Fifth and Eighth Army Rear boundaries,
- (ii) Friuli, Cremona, Legnano, Volcore and Mantova Combat Groups wherever these groups are located,
- (iii) Cesena Combat Group Reinforcements Centre,

The demanding and distribution of Free Issue Cigarettes will be effected in exactly the same way as is done with the other items of Italian provision in Part B of the Ration Scale. Monthly demands will therefore be placed by this office on to MMIA who will arrange for stocks to be placed into ST Base Depots. Onward despatch to Base Depots under control of 13 and 20 CRASC Supply Units will be arranged by DST, AFHQ, and ST at Area and Sub Area will place demands for their requirements on the CRASC concerned.

(c) REPAYMENT OBLIGATIONS

- (i) The Italian Government have also undertaken to supply certain quantities of cigarettes for issue on repayment.
- (ii) The scale of provision is 5 cigarettes per man per day as far as supplies will permit and the cigarettes will normally be of the "MILIT" and "COMMUNE" Brands.
- (iii) Demands for "Repayment" Cigarettes will be placed by 209 Adm Division (Italian) on the Italian War Ministry and will cover the requirements for all ME-ITI troops in the Area administered by that Division and for any other troops for whom the Division has Adm responsibilities.
- (iv) HQ MMIA will then arrange for the required stocks to be placed into ST Base Depots where they will be despatched forward under arrangements made by DST AFHQ to depots controlled either by 13 CRASC Supply Units or 20 CRASC Supply Units whence they will be drawn and distributed by 209 Division.
- Stocks may also be released by HQ MMIA direct to 209 Division, from local factories whenever possible.
- (v) All necessary accounting and the collection of payments for "Repayment" cigarettes will be effected by 209 Division.
2. It is emphasised that under no circumstances will any cigarettes other than cigarettes Italian be issued to Italian Troops.

Appendix 'C' to ST/445/5 dated 13 Apr 45.

SOAP FOR THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES

1. The provision of soap for the Italian Armed Forces is the responsibility of the Italian War Ministry who have laid down the following scales of issue:-

(a) Troops forward of Fifth and Eighth Army Rear Boundaries,

300 grammes per man per month.

(b) Troops behind Fifth and Eighth Army Rear Boundaries,

250 grammes per man per month.

(c) For Mules or Horses,

200 grammes per Mule/Horse per month.

2. The demanding and distribution will be through normal ST channels in exactly the same way as is done in the case of the other items of Italian Provision in Part B of the Ration Scale. Monthly requirements will, therefore, be notified by this office to HQ MEIA who will arrange for stocks to be placed into the ST Base Depots where they will be railed forward under arrangements made by DST AFHQ to Base Depots under the control of 13 and 20 CRASC Supply Units.

ST Area/Sub Area will then place demands for their requirements on to the CRASC concerned.

3. When all demands on the scales quoted in para 1 have been met, any surplus stocks will be distributed as follows :-

(a)	General Hospitals	-	300 grammes per month per bed occupied.
(b)	Evacuation Hospitals	-	60 Kilos : : Hospital.
(c)	Medical Sections	-	4 : : : Section.
(d)	Field Surgical Units	-	2 : : : Unit.
(e)	Unit Medical Officers	-	600 grammes : : : Medical Officer.

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(b) Troops behind Fifth and Eighth Army Rear Boundaries.

250 grammes per man per month.

(c) For Mules or Horses.

200 grammes per Mule/Horse per month.

2. The demanding and distribution will be through normal ST channels in exactly the same way as is done in the case of the other items of Italian Provision in Part B of the Ration Scale. Monthly requirements will, therefore, be notified by this office to HQ MIA who will arrange for stocks to be placed into the ST Base Depots where they will be ruled forward under arrangements made by DST AFHQ to Base Depots under the control of 13 and 20 CRASC Supply Units.

ST Area/Sub Area will then place demands for their requirements on to the CRASC concerned.

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| (a) | General Hospitals | - | 300 grammes per month per bed occupied. |
| (b) | Evacuation Hospitals | - | 60 kilos : : Hospital. |
| (c) | Medical Sections | - | 4 : : : Section. |
| (d) | Field Surgical Units | - | 2 : : : Unit. |
| (e) | Unit Medical Officers | - | 600 grammes : : : Medical Officer. |

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Appendix 'E' to G2/445/5 dated 13 Apr 45.

HOSPITAL DIET ITEMS FOR THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES

1. An allotment to the District based on demands submitted by MMIA to AFHQ will be made to this office by the DST each month.
2. The basis of the demands to which reference is made in para 1 is as follows :-

Commodity.	Scale for 13,000 Patients for 10 days.
(a) Milk Tinned	6,200 lbs
(b) Rice	11,700 "
(c) Semolina or Equivalent	3,000 "
(d) Meat Extract	520 "
(e) Margarine	10,400 "

3. Quantities so released by AFHQ will be issued to 209 Adm Division (Italian) from Supply Depots nominated by this office, against demands submitted on MMIA Form SE/E.

4. It is emphasized that in no circumstances will issues of these items be made to individual units.

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3. Quantities so released by AFHQ will be issued to 209 Adm Division (Italian) from Supply Depots nominated by this office, against demands submitted on MIA Form III/8.

4. It is emphasised that in no circumstances will issues of these items be made to individual units.

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Appendix 'F' to ST/445/5 dated 13 Apr 45.FUEL FOR ITALIAN ARMED FORCES.(a) Units under British Command.

- (i) The provision of Fuel is a British responsibility and issues will be made in the ~~usual~~ way against demands submitted on MMIA Form ST/8. Coal will only be issued when no other type of Fuel is available.
- (ii) The scale of issue will be the same as for British troops - AFHQ Ration and Fuel Scale No. 21 (Fuel & Light Scale).
- (iii) Demands for Italian troops in 1 District will be co-ordinated by HQ 209 Adm Division (Italian) who will submit consolidated monthly demands to this HQ by the 20th of each month in respect of the following months requirements.

SUPPLY:- Collection of Supplies.

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56 BLU
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HQ Combat Group "MANTOVA"

27 Apr 45.

1. All supplies, which are a British responsibility, will be drawn from 57 BSB ARREDO in bulk.
2. It has been arranged that supplies are drawn on a 48 hour basis.
3. The first collection was made on 23 April for consumption 25 - 26 April and consequently further collection will be made on 25th, 27th, 29th etc.
4. It is essential that incidents, viz MIA Form ST/8, be rendered to the BSB fortyeight hours in advance of consumption, in the normal manner.
5. OC 37 BSB has been advised that the average feeding strength of the Group is approximately 10,000. This figure, naturally, is subject to fluctuation.
6. Capt GIPULI, Sup. Officer of No 1 Comp PL 104 ST Coy, has already paid two visits to the BSB and should be in a position to advise on any small difficulties that may arise.
7. After each drawing has been completed it is absolutely essential that the Sup. Officer in charge of the drawing should report to ADST HQ 55 Area ARREDO and either report satisfaction or lodge any specific and justifiable complaints. In the event of complaints, Major R.C. NILES, DADST 56 BLU, must also be kept informed.
8. Your attention is drawn to the need of efficient MT discipline on the part of drivers whilst in the precincts of the BSB.
9. Issues of Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items will be made on a monthly basis. OC 37 BSB will advise the Sup. Officer of date of collection. Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items for the month of April 45 will be collected on 26 April. Items will be demanded on MIA Form ST 8.

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3. The first collection was made on 23 April for consumption 25 - 26 April and consequently further collection will be made on 25th, 27th, 29th etc.
4. It is essential that indents, via MIA Form ST/8, be rendered to the BSD fortyeight hours in advance of consumption, in the normal manner.
5. OC 37 BSD has been advised that the average feeding strength of the Group is approximately 10,000. This figure, naturally, is subject to fluctuation.
6. Capt GIPUMI, Sup. Officer of No 1 Camp PL 104 ST Coy, has already paid two visits to the BSD and should be in a position to advise on any small difficulties that may arise.
7. After each drawing has been completed it is absolutely essential that the Sup. Officer in charge of the drawing should report to ABST HQ 55 Area ARRE20 and either report satisfaction or lodge any specific and justifiable complaints. In the event of complaints, Major R.C. MILES, DADST 56 MMU, must also be kept informed.
8. Your attention is drawn to the need of efficient MT discipline on the part of drivers whilst in the precincts of the BSD.
9. Issues of Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items will be made on a monthly basis. OC 37 BSD will advise the Sup. Officer of date of collection. Disinfectants and Miscellaneous Items for the month of April 45 will be collected on 26 April. Items will be demanded on MIA Form ST 8.

In The Field.
RCN/sjw

Lt Col,
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Subject: Issue of Salt to Bakeries.

36 HCU
1 IT

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24 Feb 45

Hq Combat Group MANTOVA. (2)

1. MMIA advises that authority has been granted to issue 10 grams of salt per ration to bakeries baking bread for the Italian Military.
2. This 10 grams of salt will be issued on the basis of the number of daily bread rations furnished by the bakery.
3. In no way does this increase the ration scale for the Italian troops. The issue of salt on the ration scale will continue to be issued on the basis of 14 grams per man per day.
4. Will you please confirm that the issue of 10 grams of salt per ration is being made to the bakeries and also notify which bakeries.

In The Field.
LH/wh.

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Lt Col,
CS.

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Subject: PARAFFIN for LIGHTING

56 BLU
1 ST
4 Jan 45

Gruppo Di Combattimento "MARECIVA"

Ref your FM 104 dated 4 Jan 45.

1. Authority is given for the immediate release of 344 gal barrels of Kerosene.
2. This will have to last you until 28 Feb.

In the Field.
MH/cnf

Leh
Lt Col.
CS.

Copy to: 309 MPSS - Please release
OO RABO 94 Sub Area - Confirming telephone conversation
~~See 309 MPSS message of 13 Jan 45.~~

/to

Ref Folio 4A in file 10 St.
COMBAT GROUP "MANTOVA" H.Q.

No of prot. P.M.104-4th January 45
SUBJECT: Paraffine for lighting.-

To 56 BLU

This H.Q. on account of the exigences of duty (specially in this training period and of the unsteadiness of the electric lighting) and for all units who miss entirely of any sort of lighting, want an issue of paraffine for lighting lamps.

The monthly requirement for all the "Mantova" Gp. is calculated on 500 litri (110 gallons) to guarantee the strictly indispensable lighting.

It would be very appreciated if an issue as above would be obtained.-

THE CHIEF OF STAFF
(Lt.Col. A. Gualano)

*This will
have to last
until Feb 28*

Rch.

*OK. Immediate
release is given
for 3x 14 gal Banab
of Kero*

8 JAN 1945

*release 94 Sabina
Confirming Lt. Col. Gualano 309 B.P.S.S.
Copy to 309 B.P.S.S. - Please also Benvenuto.*

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