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Subject:- [redacted] Re-organisation
(British - Italian)

SC [redacted]
5 British Liaison Unit
c/o 421 FSD.
Tel. [redacted] 4065 Office
4039 Billet
Ref No: [redacted]/9/

Date:- 1 JAN 46

ADMS
HQ Land Forces Sub-Loc AD (MTO)

Ref Italian War Office Directive (3 Territorial Command)
[redacted]/3 dated 22 Dec 45.

1. This Directive has been received by the [redacted] Inf Division from 3 Territorial Command and lays down the procedure and administration required for the change-over to full Italian control to be effected by 1 JAN 46. This Directive is based on and refers to obsolete and impracticable Italian Army Regulations of an 1928 'vintage' e.g. Workshop Repair Procedure is to be governed by "REGOLAMENTO PER L'AMMINISTRAZIONE E LA CONTABILITA DEI CORPI, DISTRETTI E STABILIMENTI MILITARI" originally printed in 1928 with the latest revised edition dated 1937.

2. In the case of the Arms i.e. Infantry, Artillery etc., the proposed change will not result in too serious repercussions due to the fact that in this direction the Italian Army was not so far behind the times and as a result of efforts on the part of [redacted], the principal training pamphlets, manuals etc. have already been replaced by direct translations of their British equivalents. Unfortunately however due to lack of representation of the Services at [redacted] in the case of [redacted] and [redacted], no such translations have been made (except at Divisional level) and consequently supply and repair as governed by the above Directive is still based on the requirements of a pre-war Italian Division in which the extent of mechanisation was in the region of approximately 100 vehicles per division, and which for mobility had to rely upon the services of a completely independent Transport Company normally situated in the Corps Area.

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4. The above situation is in fact a rather more serious replica of that which existed in England in 1938-40 which once again had resulted from the rapid mechanisation and technical development of modern warfare and it is obvious that if we are honest in our intentions to organise an efficient Italian Army (and due to the restricted size of this Army, its technical efficiency is of primary importance), it is absolutely essential that its foundations and general administration be made as sound and efficient as practicably possible.

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If on the other hand the policy is to adopt the purely liaison attitude and allow the Italian Army to muddle through on its own, then no further purpose can be obtained by leaving British Officers with Italian Divisions or Territorial Commands and I, for one, would appreciate my immediate posting to other work where I can be of more practical use and I wish to stress that I have no desire to remain in the vicinity of an Italian Division and witness a year's hard work rendered redundant, British prestige sadly impaired and the Italian Divisions now reasonably efficient reduced to the unco-ordinated mass of soldiery that the A.L.F.S took over in 1944. This time however conditions will be made far worse by the complete loss of 'esprit de Corps' generated in the Italian Divisions during the past year.

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5. In the question of re-organisation, it is not considered by this HQ that the present Territorial Commands and their Workshops can be regarded in any way as efficient Units. Their Commands are hopelessly staffed by incompetent Officers trained in the old Italian system of Army organisation and living in a pre-war non-technical world of their own and it is considered that any change

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5. (Contd/ must be made to them, and at least as far as REME is concerned they should be made to fall in line with British system now operating in the 5 Italian Divisions.

It is not known whether the above Directive has the support of MMIA but if so we feel sure that its consequences as far as the organisation of Repair and Supply is concerned, have been overlooked and now ask that immediate action be taken.

6. The Italian War Office Directive has not been fully translated into English but in order to afford some idea of its contents as it effects REME organisation, a brief summary of the principle effects of its adoption is given below.

(a) The CME relinquishes all Technical Control of Divisional MT Units and becomes purely a Technical Advisor on transport matters to the Divisional HQ, thus all technical co-ordination and efficiency so essential in a fully mechanised Division is lost.

(b) The whole system of Divisional REME Services and LADs and Divisional Workshops are to be administered and directed by the 3rd Line Territorial Workshop, each MT Unit coming under its corresponding larger Unit, thus defeating the principle object of British REME organisation and completely devorcing LADs from parent Units and removing essential Divisional control of Divisional Workshops.

(c) Formation of separate Workshops for individual equipments i.e. M.T., Artillery, Wireless etc. with a consequent decrease in efficiency due to de-centralisation of the repair services.

(d) Officers, NCOs and ORs now after a considerable effort on the part of British Training Teams, trained in the British system, to be retrained in the Italian system which due to its impracticability and general inefficiency has for the past year been the cause of the vast majority of the work of the British Training Team, and on the complete elimination of which depended the efficiency of the Italian Divisional MT Units.

(e) Catalogues and Spare Parts Lists for British Equipments are to be re-numbered in line with the old Italian system, similarly British Army Forms, Workshop Cards etc. are to be discarded and an obsolete Italian system of 19th century 'vintage' established in lieu.

(f) Local purchase is to be only possible through the Territorial HQ. HQs who at the present have no conception of either British equipments or a fully mechanised Division. This removal of authority in the question of local purchase will also destroy the initiative on the part of Divisional personnel and in view of the change-over to Italian supplies and the consequent need for increase in powers of local purchase and manufacture serious repercussions can be expected.

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P.H. Nelson SC RWME

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Subject: Supply of Ordnance Stores.

(152)

HQ 3 Brit Liaison Unit

Ref: ORD/L/1

15 Dec 45.

HQ Legnano Inf Div.

Copy to: Ufficio Commissariato
Ufficio Servizi
O.O. 52 B.L.U.(Bergamo).

1, At a recent conference with MMIA the following major points of supply from Allied sources has been decided.

a) That all M.T. Spares and major assemblies shall be demanded as heretofore and that all repairable and RSD items be returned to British Sources. This system will remain in force until the Italian Army has set up its own depot.

b) That all Gun Spares and Technical equipment will be demanded through British sources as in para (a).

2, It is not however possible to supply clothing and equipment and general stores from British Depots. The Commissariato Office will communicate direct with his apposite number at 3 Territorial Headquarters who will deal direct with SMRE if stocks are not available at Milan.

3, MMIA report that there are sufficient stocks to cover the immediate needs of the Italian Army but that they are still dispersed and need centralizing in main Italian Depots. In order to enable 3 Territorial Command to anticipate requirements for Legnano Div O.O. 52 BLU is informing them of the monthlymaintenance figure for Vote 7 and 8 items.

4, As th Legnano Commissariato Officer was present with OO 52 BLU at a discussion on matters arising out of the above, he should be able to give a complete picture as is known to-date.

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Capt,
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ORD. OFFICER
B.Q.W.O. 27/XII.

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Subject:- Clothing of Allies.

Officer Commissariato,
Germano Infantry Division.

Ordnance Officer,
5 British Liaison Unit,
c/o 121 F.S. Section,
C.M.F.
OLD/4 (151)
December 1945.

1/. Extracts of G.H.Q. letter GHQ/9170/4(AG), of 4 Dec, and War Office letter 4 (AG) 2/1121/1 of 30 November are passed to you for information. With reference to 4(AG) 2/1121/1, application for issue of clothing from British sources would now be considered a new capital commitment and would therefore not be accepted.

W.F.K.
Capt.
(W.F. Kay) 2931
Ordnance Officer 5 B.L.U.

Copy to C.O. 3 B.L.U.

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Copy Extract.

Q(AE) 2/1121/1 dated 20 November 1945.

Clothing of Allies.

1/. Owing to the poor global stock position and to the shrinking production capacity available to the War Office no new capital commitments to clothe Allies, or to issue blankets to them, or any increases in the scales of these items, can be accepted.

2/. The foregoing is notified to you for action where applicable and so that the general position can be advised to Allied Military Authorities in response to any enquiries that may be made.

M 2130
Signed. D.Q.M.G.
(Army Equipment.)

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Copy extract.

G.H.Q. C.M.F. letter GH/9170/2(AE) dated 4 December 1945.

1/. The attached copy of War Office letter Q(AE) 2/1121/1 dated 20 November 1945 is forwarded for information and compliance.

2/. In the past a considerable amount of correspondence has taken place on the question of additional items, or variation of the scales, and also in respect of issues of clothing for Allied forces and persons covered by this directive. In view of the attached War Office letter there can only be one answer to future applications. The should be refused quoting this letter and without further reference to this G.H.Q. It is hoped in this way a considerable amount of correspondence will be obviated.

Sgd. W.B. Webber.
for Major General.
Ag/Dir General Administration.

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Subject: Clothing to Allies.

Copy to 130

Rear HQ 13 Corps.
1041/G.
11 Dec 45.

5 BLU (amongst others.)

1. Herewith copy of GHQ/9170/G(AE) dated 4 Dec 45 forwarded for information and necessary action.

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Sgd. Brigadier.
DA & QMG.

Action taken
Copy to Maj.
6/1/46

Telephone Acknowledgement received
Ref. and Note for 8 Corps
are to be retained
from Allied Command.

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Subject: Clothing of Allies.

Copy

G.H.Q. C.M.F.
GHQ/9170/9(AE)
4 Dec 45

All sorts of people.

1. The attached copy of War Office letter 9(AE)2/1121/1 dated 20 Nov 45 is forwarded for information and compliance.

2. Attention is particularly drawn to para 2 of the War Office letter. Commands directly responsible for the administration of, or liaison with, Allied Forces will take immediate steps to bring the fact of reduction in maintenance to the notice of the Allies concerned.

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Sgd. W.B. Webber.
for Major General.
Major General Administration.

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Clothing of Allies.

1. Owing to the poor global stock position and to the shrinking production capacity availablt to the War Office no new capital commitments to clothe Allies, or to issue blankets to them, or any increases in the scales of these items, can be accepted.

2. Furthermore, with effect from the date of this letter, all maintenance issues of clothing and blankets to Allies, other than those directly under British Command, will be based on not more than 50% current British wastage rates.

3. Further restrictions in maintenance issues to Allies not directly under British Command may be necessary after 31 Mar 46 and if so you will be advised accordingly in due course.

4. The foregoing is notified to you for action where applicable under para 2, and so that the general position can be advised to Allied Military Authorities in response to any enquiries that may be made.

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Signed D.Q.M.G.
(Army Equipment.)

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Subject:- Return to ba[illegible] of MT Stores.

Ordnance Officer,
3 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.

Ordnance Officer,
5 B.L.U.
c/o 421 F.S. Section,
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (149)
December 9945

Reference your Ord/L/1 of 14 December.

1/. May a small extension please be made to the part of your Para 1 which concerns return of repairable M.T. stores to Ord.

2/. I have endeavoured to explain that in view of the change in R.E.M.E. repair channels an effort should be made to extend the scope of local repair. R.E.M.E. this Division desire to make use of civilian contract to undertake heavier repairs than they have been able to do hitherto.

3/. In view of your a/a directive, the Commissariato are not prepared to proceed with contracts unless they have your agreement. Clarification along these lines would be appreciated.

Copies to. Ufficio Commissariato.
Ufficio Servizi.

WPJ S/Wl.

Capt;
(W.P. Jones 25th.)
O.C. 5 B.L.U.

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Subject:- Nissen Hut.

Ordnance Officer,
3 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.

Ordnance Officer,
5. B.L.U.
c/o 421 F.D. Section,
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (148)
December 1945.

1/. In view of extension of C.F.P. activities resultant upon your directive Ord/L/1 of 14 Dec, a Nissen hut is urgently required by Legnano Infantry Division.

2/. May this matter please be taken up with D.A.A.& Q.M.G. 3 B.L.U. It is one of great importance since the preservation of M.T. spares - in short supply- is involved.

A 2924

Capt;
(W.P.J. Smith.)
O.O. 5 B.L.U.

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Ufficio Servizi.

ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) MESSAGE FORM Inter No. 23

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date-Time of Origin
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DS176 O Unclassified O Following signed FX 55319 ok 3 Dec 52 for OO (C) DE/CNE reported for your information and action. O Quote O To maintain IN DISTWO and RAAC O Ltr 002 7 ok 28 Nov 52 DISTWO OS/Hq ok 30 NOV 52 to all O FIRST O Demand for other low limited equipment on charge Capital and Training Fund CZ STANC will be passed to DDOS 2 DISTRICT or ADCS RAAC from ETO Command O 2 DISTRICT and RAAC will forward to ORD directly the CHQ for receiving before moving to 557 BOD for issue subject to availability O SECOND O Request will be submitted by BLU 3 approved O THIRD O Above arrangements will continue only for the 21 Div and subsequent units activated from 11 and 12 ok new AG-091-711 G-(SD)-0/52 Div 3 will be affiliated O FOURTH O Considered essential that existing retard your funds be held by CHQ in order to avoid shortage of equipment for future suitable date O Unquote DO O and 2 in twelve AR 091-711 G-(SD)-0/52 of Nov 52 refer the other G.E. items to be issued for DOS 720-2 of 3 Dec 52 (under cover copy ORD/504.2 of 14 Nov O Later demands for items known and fully as being sent DOS CHQ

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Originator's No

OS/76 O If not classified O following signal FX 55819 of 2 December 00 (@) DELETE referential for info action and action O Avail O To MAIN IN DISTWO and RAAC O Law 0027 of 28 Nov and DISTWO OS/42 of 30 Nov 42 to all O FIRST O (1) request for plan for practical equipment or change [illegible] and training Actn CESTAND will be forwarded to DDOC O 2 DISTRICT or ADOC RAAC from time to time entitled O 1 DISTRICT and RAAC will communicate to ORD directly the CHO for ordering direct from and to 557 DOD [illegible] will be notified by [illegible] O SECOND O [illegible] THIRD O [illegible] Para 1 and 12 of mes AG-091-7th G(SD)-dft Dis 3 and 11 to affect O FOURTH O Considered essential that meetings referred to para 3 be held the CHO in order [illegible] O Advise suitable date O Urgent to 00 A b (and 2 instructions AG 091-7th G(SD)-dft Dis is not [illegible] in this office but known to be issued by DOS 7209 of 8 Nov forwarded under cover mes ORD/50483 of 14 Nov O Latter demands for legal [illegible] and this being sent DOS CHO [illegible] will be examined with particular reference to [illegible] O All [illegible]

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ORD. OFFICER
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Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

5 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(146)
1 December 1945.

D.D.O.S.
H.Q. 2 District,
C.M.F.

Reference your ORD/5048 of 29 November '45.

1. In view of the fact that returns rendered by Units within this formation have to be translated into English, segregated as required in para 3(a)(i-iv) of your ORD/5048 of 21 Nov., and retyped, it is estimated that a period of at least three weeks will be taken before the return as requested can be submitted in it's final form.

2. It is also estimated that later to consolidate these lists of stores for the whole Division will take a further two weeks, since, of the Ord staff of two O.R.'s, obviously only one can be allocated to this task.

3. Marching Out State as required in your ORD/5048 of 16 Nov, and "B" Vehicle Census as required by M.G.I.A. TPM have been submitted today. Vehicle State and Equipment State, as required by DOS/7209 of 8 Nov. was forwarded, copy to you, on 21 November.

WAR 2922

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 5 B.L.U.

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5 British Liaison Unit.
CMF.
27 Nov 45.

AG/40/14.

Subject : Change of Designation

TO : See Distribution.

Wef 27 November 1945 this unit is re-designated
5 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT, CMF. (In accordance with Land Forces
Sub Comm AC letter AG/101 of 20 Nov 45.

The designation 52 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT will cease to
be used in any future correspondence.

Main 5 British Liaison Unit opened at UDINE wef 26 Nov 45.
Address : c/o Town Major, UDINE.

Rear 5 British Liaison Unit (OC Major Fenech) Crd and
RHQ remain at BERGAMO temporarily at Via Crispi 4, BERGAMO
(until further notice).

Captain,
for, Major,
GS.

HJ/hj

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421 FSS, Bergamo.
93 DID.
49 DIB.
AFO, Milan.
All Officers 5 BLU.—Capt Smith

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Subject: Marching Out State.

5 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(I44)
30 November 1945.

Q(AE)
Census Branch,
G.H.Q. M.E.F.

Reference DDOS 2 District's ORD/5048 of 16 Nov. '45.

I. I have today despatched, in one parcel per registered post, Marching Out State of Warlike Stores and Vehicles, of "Legnano Infantry Division, as at 2400 hours 14 November 1945, as per attached list of Units, previously under my administration.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 5 B.L.U.

Copy to: DDOS 2 District.

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LIST OF UNITS IN LEGNANO INFANTRY DIVISION ADMINISTERED BY O.O. S BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.

		W.E. NO.	S.E.L. NO.
H.Q.	LEGNANO INFANTRY DIVISION	CL/523/I	I19/I
39	CARABINIERI	MA/524/I	I33/I
51	CARABINIERI	MA/524/I	I22/I
68	INFANTRY REGIMENT	CM/526/I	I32/I
I	BATTALION	CL/526/I	I35/I
2	do.	"	"
9	do.	"	"
60	INFANTRY REGT. (SP)	CL/526/I	I5C/I
	BERSAGLIERI "COLLO" BATTALION	CM/527/I	I5C/I
	ALPINI "PIEMONTE" "	"	"
	ALPINI "AQUILA" "	"	"
51	ENGINEERS BATTALION	MA/528/I	I29/I
5	FIELD COY. ENGINEERS	CL/529/I	I22/2
51	FIELD COY. ENGINEERS	"	"
51	SIGNAL COY.	CL/530/I	I2I/I
51	MEDICAL SECTION (INC. 51 MOBILE BATH UNIT)	MA/535/I	I3I/I
51	TPT. AND SUPPLY COY.		
	H.Q. (INC. 2 RECCE DRIVER UNITS)	MA/532/I	I34/I
	I TRANSPORT PLATOON	MA/533/I	I2I/I
	2 " "	"	"
	3 " "	"	"
	51 COMPOSITE PLATOON	MA/534/I	I26/I
	52 " "	"	"
	ORDNANCE FIELD PARK	MA/537/I	I28/I
	MECHANICAL ENGINEERS WORKSHOPS	MA/538/I	I29/I
I	LIGHT AID DETACHMENT	MA/540/I	I30/I
2	" " "	"	"
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	MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT PLATOON	CL/539/I	I27/I
II	ARTILLERY REGT.	CL/5[illegible]/I	I24/I
72	FIELD HOSPITAL	MA/54[illegible]/I	I36/I
244	" "	"	"
54	FIELD SURGICAL UNIT	MA/543/I	I35/I
I	FIELD BAKERY	MA/544/I	I38/I
2	FIELD PARK COY.	MA/545/I	I62/I
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45	INFANTRY REGT. (SP)	NA/526/I	I33/I
	BERSAGLIERI "TOTTO" BATTALION	NA/527/I	I36/I
	ALPINI "PIEMONTE" "	"	"
	ALPINI "AQUILA" "	"	"
51	ENGINEERS BATTALION	NA/528/I	I20/I
2	FIELD COY. ENGINEERS	NA/529/I	I24/2
51	FIELD COY. ENGINEERS	"	"
51	SIGNAL COY.	NA/530/I	I21/I
51	MEDICAL SECTION (INC. 51 MOBILE BATH UNIT)	NA/535/I	I31/I
51	EQT. AND SUPPLY COY.		
	H.Q. (INC. MOTOR DRIVERS UNIT.)	NA/532/I	I34/I
	1 TRANSPORT PLATOON	NA/533/I	I42/I
	2 " "	"	"
	3 " "	"	"
	51 COMPOSITE PLATOON	NA/534/I	I26/I
	52 " "	"	"
	ORDNANCE FIELD PARK	NA/537/I	I28/I
	MECHANICAL ENGINEERS WORKSHOPS	NA/538/I	I29/I
1	LIGHT AID DETACHMENT	NA/540/I	I30/I
2	" " "	"	"
3	" " "	"	"
4	" " "	"	"
5	" " "	"	"
	MECHANICAL ENGINEERS PLATOON	NA/539/I	I27/I
11	ARTILLERY REGT.	NA/521/I	I24/I
552	FIELD HOSPITAL	NA/5[illegible]/I	I86/I
244	" "	"	"
24	FIELD SURGICAL UNIT	NA/515/I	I35/I
1	FIELD BATTERY	NA/[illegible]/I	I[illegible]/I
3	FIELD PARK COY.	NA/[illegible]/I	I62/I
165	TECHNICAL MAINTENANCE SECTION	NA/[illegible]/I	I72/I

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CAPT.
(W.J.I. SMITH.)
ORDNANCE OFFICER 5 BDE.

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Subject : Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

HQ 2 District CCG
Tel Ex: 313
CCD/5048
29 Nov 45.

C.C.3 ELU (previously 50 ELU)
1 ELU " 51 "
5 ELU " 52 "
4 ELU " 53 "
10 ELU " 56 "

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Further to my letter of even number dated 21 Nov 45.

The attached copy of C.M.G. letter DOI/7209 dated 24 November 1945 is forwarded.

Paras 6 (a) (b) and (c) of my letter referred to in paras 2 and 3 of the above quoted C.M.G. letter, were repeated to you as para 3 (a) (b) and (c) in my Ord/5048 of 21 November 1945.

Please inform me when the returns are complete so that I can notify C.M.G.

The suggestion in para 6(a) of my Ord/5048 of 13 Nov 45 to C.M.G., was that each CC ELU would compile a consolidated list of stores for the whole Gruppo and submit to the Ministry of Supply for pricing. That may be the next phase but it is subject to confirmation after I have notified C.M.G. that your returns for each unit are complete.

Lt.Col.
(TW.ZUTI.TH)
for Col.DEOS.

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COPY

OFFICIAL DESPATCHES
FROM CMF

Ref: DOS/7209

T.1 Freedom 495

24 Nov 43.

Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

TWO:
2 District.

1. Reference CMF/5043 dated 19 Nov and in continuation of our signal F 53295 dated 19 Nov. the circumstances surrounding the issue of these stores is appreciated, but it is pointed out that the original instructions for the accounting for the issue of stores to Italian Combat Groups issued under DOS Circular 205 dated 3 Apr 43, and at that time, no communication was received from this saying that there would be any difficulty in complying with these instructions, in fact DADOS 56 HQ visited this HQ and assisted with his advice in the actual compilation of DOS Circular. The subsequent DOS Circular 224 which cancelled this, was compiled in view of the changed situation of the Co-operators, and did not affect the status of the Combat Groups or Bn-Itis. It is not therefore understood why, after a period of seven months, when HQs are instructed to implement the DOS Circular they state they cannot comply.

2. The position being what it is, the Financial Adviser has provisionally agreed that the suggestions contained in para 6 (a) (b) and (c) of your letter should be carried out without further delay.

3. Further consultations are being held with the Financial Adviser; and before compiling the consolidated list as outlined in para 6(d) is undertaken, please inform this directorate when the issue outlined in para 6 (a) (b) and (c) is complete, when further instructions will be issued.

(Sgd) (A.I.NIXON) Brigadier, DADOS
for Major-General,
DMT

Copy to: Financial Adviser.

1-12-43XI

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MESSAGE FORM

ARMY FORM G2136 (Small)

Register No.

Call | Srl. No. | Prior | Transmission Instructions

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Office Date Stamp

FROM (X) Originator: OD 5 B.L.J REAR

Date-Time of Origin: 291700

For Action

TO HQ 5 B.L.J MAIN
C/O TOWN MAJOR UDINE

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions | GR

Originator's No. 05/191 O Unclassified O Forward any enclosures received by you to Rear for Ordnance Stores for attention.

(Sgd) W. [illegible] Capt

This Message May Be Sent AS WRITTEN Or By Any Means Except

Signed

If Liable To Be Intercepted Or To Fall Into Enemy Hands, This Message Must Be Sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

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Subject: Returned S[illegible]ees.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(140)
27 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. It is presumed that Italian channels for return of stores to base have already been set up, or are in the course of organisation.

2. Nevertheless the following is repeated to you for information.

3. With effect from 30 November '45, 5 O.B.D. will no longer accept any R.S.D. This will be returned to base by addressees direct. For consignment particulars, your attention is invited to my ORD/4(118) of 5 November '45.

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Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Issues toItalian Armed Forces.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(139)
17 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. Further to my ORD/4(127) of 15 Nov., with copy attached of DOS/7209. Para 2 will be implemented in the following manner:-

(A) A Return is to be completed by each Italian Unit in the Gruppo, giving details of all items held at 14 Nov. '45 under the following headings:

(i) Vote 7 Items.
(ii) Vote 8 Items.
(iii) Vote 9 Items less M.T.
(iv) Vote 9 M.T. Items.

(B) The list is to include all stocks at Div. Dumps etc., but to exclude items of personal clothing referred to in para 5(a) of DOS Circ. No. 224.

(C) The Return should be signed by each O.C., and will be considered a receipt for the stores held.

2. This office will make itself responsible for segratin EG by Votes stores shown on Returns already received from Units, and for those still due to be received.

3. On completion they will be forwarded to the respective Units for signature by the O.C. concerned, and subsequent return to this office.

4. Please arrange for similar list of stocks at this DADOS Dump to be submitted this office as soon as possible.

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Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

HQ No. 2 District, CMP.
Tel Ext: 313.
ORD/5048.
21 Nov 45.

OC 50 BLU.
OC 51 BLU.
OC 52 BLU.
OC 53 BLU.
OC 56 BLU.

1. Further to my letter of even number dated 14 Nov and para 2 of GHQ letter DOS 7209 dated 8 Nov 45.

2. The alternative procedure suggested to GHQ to be used in lieu of para 2 of the DOS letter has been agreed in part.

3. Following action is now required:

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(c) The return should be signed by each OC and will be considered a receipt for the stores held.

4. Please arrange for returns to be prepared as outlined above, as soon as possible.

SEEN
ORD. OFFICER
B.O.W.O.

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Lt. Col.

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SEEN
ORD. OFFICER
P.O.W.O.
19/XI

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Lt. Col.
(P.W. BUTLIN),
for DDOS.

Copy to: CO 60 Sub Area. For attention of Capt. DENYER.

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Subject:- Issues to the Italian Armed Forces.

8U RECE
52 British Liaison Unit

Ref No:- [illegible]/98/55.

Date: 21 Nov 45

DADDS HQ Land Forces Sub-Com AC ([illegible])

Copy to:- DDST HQ 2 Dist
DADDS HQ 59 Area
DAA & QMG 52 BLU
ORP 52 BLU ✓

1. Ref the GHQ MED Directorate D08/7209 dated 8 Nov 45 cancelling all supplies of MT Spares and Equipment from British Sources to the Italian Combat Groups.

2. This abrupt change-over to Italian channels (at present non-existant) will have grave effects on the ex-Italian Combat Groups and although it is proposed (see para 5 of the above Directorate) to draw up a 1 year's scaling of spares for Allied vehicles held by the Italian Army, this work will obviously require considerable time and pending this the 5 Italian Divisions cannot be expected to exist without [illegible] supplies.

3. Even when the above scaling has been drawn up and an allocation made, the Italian organisation required to deal with this work will need considerable instruction and 'schooling' before they are able to function smoothly, and unless the requirements of the Italian Divisions are covered for this period disintegration will take place and the past work put into these Divisions will be needlessly wasted.

4. It is estimated that the MT Shops of the LEGNANO Division, who are now functioning fairly efficiently and form the 'backbone' of the Division, will be able to continue to cope with the Divisional Repair Load for approximately 3 weeks but after this if MT Spares are still unobtainable, the VOR position will revert to its previous high level and all technical efficiency will disappear. Thus, by the time the Italian channels of supply are established there will be no hopes of restoring these Divisions to any form of technical efficiency and although the 'channels' may then exist, the Divisions most certainly will not.

5. Difficulties are not only to be encountered for such MT Spares as Engines and other major assemblies but also in every day requirements of such items as Oxygen and Acetylene, Welding Electrodes, Coal for Blacksmiths Forges and other general expense stores without which it is quite impossible for any Workshop to carry on.

Another important item, is Workshop Tool Scalings and 1098 Equipment and as I belive is the case with all other Italian Combat Groups, these scalings are still far from complete and serious shortages still exist in MT Fitters Kits and other Special Vehicle Kits. Most of these items have been 'UR' for some time and it was hoped that with the Break-up of RASC Shops in this

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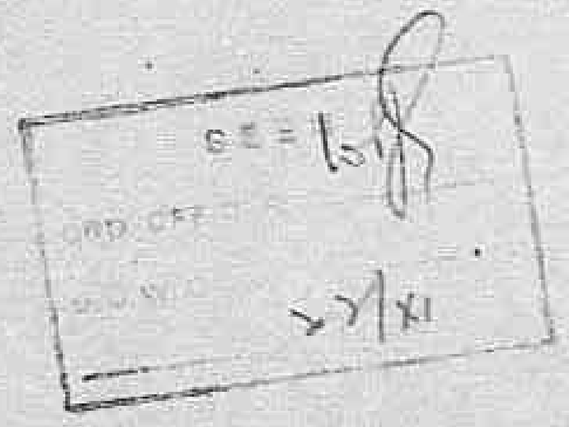
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6. All the above points require immediate attention and can only be satisfactorily settled by the proposed MIU Services Meeting, the date of which is awaited.



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P.H. Nelson SC RASC

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Subject: Returned Mail

ADST 6 (SA) Area Div
GO 7 ACSB
GO 60 Sub Area
GO 50 XLJ
GO 51 XLS
GO 52 XLS
GO 53 XLT
GO 56 XLV

HQ 2 District CMP

Tel Ext: 513

CMD/5061

23 Nov 45

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With effect from 30 Nov 45 RAD will be returned to base by addressees direct. For consignment particulars your attention is invited to POE Circular No 231 of 1945.

5 CMD will not accept RAD from other than 59 Area units after that date, in view of its impending disbandment.

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[illegible]
27/11

NOV 23 1945

Lt Col,
(FR MILES)
for Col, ADOS.

Let Comm. Knows, refer them to our letter on 27/231
Suggest, too, they have their own arg.

Copy to: GO 5 CMD - You may continue to accept RAD from 59 Area until further notice. Before your unit is withdrawn ADOS 59 Area will make arrangements to take any balance of RAD which you may be holding into his camp.

ADOS 59 Area for information.

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Subject:- Scalings.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (135)
11 November 1945.

D.O.S. (Plans Branch)
G.H.Q. C.M.F.

Reference DOS/7209 of 8 November;, para 5.

1/. Herewith at appendices A and B please find vehicle and equipment state of the "Legnano" Infantry Division, as requested.

2/. Since the control of Italian Infantry Divisions has passed to the Italian Government, the lists submitted are consolidated for complete Div. holding.

3/. It is presumed that no further information, required by para 3 of D.O.S. Circular No 161, is required.

Capt:
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

ENC; App. A & B.

Copy to:- D.D.O.S.
No 2 Distict.

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APPENDIX "A".

	Qty.	Remarks.
Pistols Rev. No. 2 Mk 1+	112	
Smith & Wesson .38 in.	167	
Webley Mk IV .38 in.	160	
Rifles .303 in. No. 4, ~~Mk. 1*, 1(P), 1(T)~~ Mk 1(~~*~~).	5275	
Mk. 1(T)	35	
Carbines Machine .45 Thompson M1928 A1	2422	
M1	131	
M1, A1	79	
Pistols Signal No. 1 Mk. 111+	52	
Guns Machine Bren .303 in. Mk. 1(a)	493	
Mk. 11(a)	6	
O.M.L. 2 in. Mortar Mk. 11	48	
Mk. 11+	69	
Mk. 11++	16	
O.M.L. 3 in. Mortar complete(with Mk 11 Barrel)	40	
Projector Infantry A/Tk (PIAT)	174	
Watches GS	226	
TP	82	
Compasses Prismatic Liquid Mk. 111	310	
Mk. 1X	4	
Binoculars Prismatic No. 2 Kershaws	299	
No. 5 Mk. V	19	
Telescopes Signalling	38	
Stereoscopes Universal Type SV1, non-folding	1	
Bars Parallax Type PB1	1	
Optical Units Type TL1	1	
Camouflet Sets, Light	3	
Mk. 1	18	
Compressors Air TS20 - Truck Type	3	
Concrete Breakers No. 1(Globe CB 75 type)	1	
No. 2(Climax'Heavy Paving Breakers MS')	1	
Demolition Test Sets Pye(or WGP) Type Mk. 1	12	
Engines Petrol 8 BHP (PU 8 Type)	5	
Exploders Dynamo Mk. V11	20	
Hammer Drills No. 2(Holman 'Silver Bullet' dry drilling.)	4	
Picks Light No. 1(Heavell 'HP 2R Pattern')	8	
No. 2(Hardypick 'CPT 374 Pattern)	8	
No. 3(Holman Size 101 Spader.)	8	
Pumps Flex Driven 1½ in.	4	

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2 in. Mortar Bn.	46
Mk. 11+	69
Mk. 11++	16
C.M.L. 3 in. Mortar complete(with Mk 11 Barrel)	40
Projector Infantry A/Tk (PIAT)	174
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No. 5 Mk. V	19
Telescopes Signalling	38
Stereoscopes Universal Type SV1, non-folding	1
Bars Parallax Type P21	1
Optical Units Type TL1	1
Camouflet Sets, Light	3
Mk. 1	18
Compressors Air TS20 - Truck Type	3
Concrete Breakers No. 1(Globe CB 75 type)	1
No. 2(Climax'Heavy Paving Breakers MS')	1
Demolition Test Sets Pye(or WGP) Type Mk. 1	12
Engines Petrol 8 BHP (PU 8 Type)	5
Exploders Dynamo Mk. V11	20
Hammer Drills No. 2(Holman 'Silver Bullet' dry drilling.)	4
Picks Light No. 1(Reavell 'HP 2R Pattern')	8
No. 2(Hardypick 'CPF 374 Pattern)	8
No. 3(Holman Size 101 Spader.)	8
Pumps Flex Driven 1½ in.	4
Diaphragm 2 in. Mk. 11	4
Saws Portable Petrol Driven No. 1 (Danara)	4
Wood Borers No. 1 (Consolidated 'Little Giant' 3 RCW)	2
Lighting Sets 4 KW (less Gen. Set)	2
1 KW 110v DC (less Gen. Set)	2
Generators 110v DC 4KW Petters	1
Detectors Mine (Polish) No. 3	24
SCR 625B	1
SCR 625E	13
SCR 625F	72
Watches Stop 1/10th. Sec.	3
Trailers Artillery No. 27 UK	64
Telescopes Sighting No. 29 Mk. 1	32
No. 41	8
No. 51	4
Telescopes Stereoscopic No. 1B Mk. 1	9
Sights Dial Nos. 7A,B, &C.	40

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	Qty.	Remarks.
Clinometers Sight Mk. 1V, fitted to Arty. Equipments.	40	
Clinometers Field Mk. V1	8	
Paralleloscopes Mk. VA	32	
Rangefinders No. 2 Mk. V11	6	
No. 13 Mk.111	2	
Directors No. 7B Mk. 11	20	
Stands Instrument No. 13	8	
No. 17A	20	
No. 18	1	
No. 27 Mk. 1	21	
Mk. 11A	32	
Periscopes No. 14A Mk. 1 held loose	4	
Apparatus Cable Laying No. 2	12	
No. 3	14	
Fullerphones Mk. 1V	25	
Mk. 1V+	15	
Telephone Sets D Mk. V	112	
D Mk. V (Canadian)	72	
Telephones EE 8B (USA)	30	
Telephones Loudspeaking No. 2A	8	
Switchboards UC 10 line Mk. 1	14	
UC 10 line Canadian	8	
F & F 40 line Mk. 11	1	
Test Frames 40 Pair Mk. 11	1	
Wireless Sets No. 22 Ground	41	
No. 22 Jeep	8	
No. 38 Mk. 11+	12	
Radio Sets No. 48 (USA)	105	
Reception Sets R109	4	
Wavemeters Class D No. 1 Mk. 11+	5	
Charging Sets 300 watt Pioneer BD 12 BDC (Briggs & Stratton) (USA)	45	
1250 watt No. 1	5	
1260 watt No. 5	1	
1260 watt No. 6	1	
4 Kw Wisconsin	4	
Signal Generators Sub Standard	2	
Test Sets EE 65 "F"	6	
Bicycles Mk. VA or V+	153	

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Periscopes No. 14A Mk. 1 held loose	4
Apparatus Cable Laying No. 2	12
No. 3	14
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Mk. 1V+	15
Telephone Sets D Mk. V	112
D Mk. V (Canadian)	72
Telephones EE 8B (USA)	30
Telephones Loudspeaking No. 2A	8
Switchboards UC 10 line Mk. 1	14
UC 10 line Canadian	8
F & F 40 line Mk. 11	1
Test Frames 40 Pair Mk. 11	1
Wireless Sets No. 22 Ground	41
No. 22 Jeep	8
No. 38 Mk. 11+	12
Radio Sets No. 48 (USA)	105
Reception Sets R109	4
Wavemeters Class D No. 1 Mk. 11+	5
Charging Sets 300 watt Pioneer BD 12 BDC (Briggs & Stratton) (USA)	45
1260 watt No. 1	5
1260 watt No. 5	1
1260 watt No. 6	1
4 KW Wisconsin	4
Signal Generators Sub Standard	2
Test Sets EE 65 "F"	6
Bicycles Mk. VA or V+	153

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APPENDIX "B".

		Contract No.	Qty.
Motor Cycles:	B.S.A. 350 ccs	C12424	64
		C13290	35
		23/31048	26
		S5209	37
		11101	16
	Norton 500 ccs	2602	52
	Matchless 350 ccs	S/1050	14
	Triumph 350 ccs	2114	4
		1246	1
Cars	Austin Utility 4 x 2	C13948	7
		23/1361	7
		M5193	1
		V35015	3
Trucks	Austin 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	S/1444	1
		S2207	2
Trucks	Bedford 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	V39231	1
		T8957	6
		T8102	1
		V3904	19
		V3901	4
		4564	1
		4726	1
		5262	6
Trucks	Bedford 15 cwt 4 x 2 F.F.W.	S3053	23
		V3714	4
		S5512	1
		S5038	2
		V5275	1
Trucks	Bedford 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	SM 3560	26
		SM3841	3
		V5004	17
		D3795	5
		4155	5
		3959	5
		D4820	27
		5048	1
Trucks	Bedford 3 ton 4 x 2 Battery Charging	1129	2
Trucks	Chevrolet 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	SM2002	46
	4 x 4 A.P.	-	1
	30 cwt 4 x 2 GS	S441-2	10
	3 ton 4 x 2 GS		

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Cars Austin Utility 4 x 2	M5193	1
	V35015	3
	S/1444	1
	S2207	2
Trucks Austin 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	V39231	1
	T8957	6
Trucks Bedford 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	T8102	1
	V3904	19
	V3901	4
	4564	1
	4726	1
	5262	6
	S3053	23
Trucks Bedford 15 cwt 4 x 2 F.F.W.	V3714	4
	S5512	1
	S5038	2
	V5275	1
	SM 3960	26
Trucks Bedford 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	SM3841	3
	V5004	17
	D3795	5
	4155	5
	3959	5
	D4820	27
	5048	1
Trucks Bedford 3 ton 4 x 2 Battery Charging	1129	2
Trucks Chevrolet 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	SM2002	46
4 x 4 A.P.	-	1
30 cwt 4 x 2 GS	S441-2	10
3 ton 4 x 2 GS	SM2003	9
4 x 4 GS	SM2474	5
	SM2577	12
	SM2104	11
3 ton Winch	DAW398	5
Trucks Dodge 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	6119	12
	2683	11
	2485	67
	2674	1
	2675	4
	SM2012	32
Trucks Dodge 30 cwt 4 x 2 GS	2916	42
3 ton 4 x 2 GS	6118	10
	2918	2
	6121	1
	2919	71
	6191	63
	6086	1
	6096	

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	Contract No.	Qty.
Trucks Dodge 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	3917	2
	6168	1
Trucks Dodge 15 cwt 4 x 2 Water	SM 2989	6
	SM 2969	5
	SM 2988	1
Trucks Ford 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	2680	22
	2485	10
	2673	13
	2675	2
	2688	10
	4848	13
Trucks Ford 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	2670	9
	2669	4
4 x 4 GS	2922	8
Trucks Ford 30 cwt 4 x 2 GS	V4089	1
Trucks G.M.C. 3 ton 4 x 2 GS	SM2008	1
Trucks Fordson 15 cwt 4 x 2 GS	2961	12
	1440	1
	113	2
	V4578	1
	4848	2
	5743	2
Trucks Morris ~~Commercial~~ 15 cwt 4 x 2	23/S2016	4
Compressor	S5226	1
	S1622	1
Trucks Morris 15 cwt 4 x 2 Wireless	23/2245	16
3 ton 4 x 4 Winch	3669	1
Trucks G.M.C. 30 cwt 6 x 4 B/Down Light	SM2008	1
Tractors F.A. Morris 4 x 4	V3772	4
	3825	1
	9587	1
Tractors A/T Morris 4 x 4	V3957	3
	V4171	2
	V3947	1
	V3950	2
Ambulances Austin 4 x 2	A2271	3
	A1445	5
	A2939	4
	S2797	1
	294/V3813	1
	V3622	1
	SM2972	1

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Ambulances Ford 4 x2	SM2972	1
Trucks Bedford 30 cwt 4 x 2	V3992	1
	V3838	4
	V3905	2
Trucks Dodge 30 cwt 4 x 2 GS	2012	1
Trucks Bedford 15 cwt 4 x 2 W.B.	S3111	3
	V4660	1
	V6904	1
	T8957	6
Tractors 3 ton 4 x 4 Bedford L.A.A.	3949	6
	4647	83
Carriers Lloyd	294/8/6610	64
Universal	SM1026	40
Cars 2 Str 4 x4 - Willys	SM2275	8
Ford	2265	1
Cars Light Recce 4 x 4 - Ford	SM1444	17
G.M.C.	2424	1
Cars 2 Str 4 x 2 - Morris	V5981	

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	Contract No.	Qty.
Cars 2 Str 4 x 2 - Morris	5018	1
	MS4115	1
Cars 4 Str 4 x 2 - Humber	S239	1

SPECIALIST VEHICLES.

	Contract No.	Chassis No.	Qty.
Morris 30 cwt 4 x 2 B/D Lt.	V3594	NA)	2
	V3594	5529)	
Austin 3 ton 6 x 4 B/D	S6177	59458)	
	"	59470)	
	"	59358)	5
	"	59473)	
	"	59475)	
Lorry 3 ton 4 x 4 Mach. Type I Chevrolet	NA	2844341873	1
" Type F Bedford	3960	3160	1
" Type D "	3960	3959	1
" Type F Fordson	23/5060	7133808/A2	1
" Type F Ford	"	126440/A2	1
Lorry 3 ton 6 x 4 Mach. Type I-30 Leyland	294/B/5998WLW	11309532	1
" " "	294/V/4650	312209	1
" " "	S704	308925	
Lorry 6 ton 6 x6 B/D Mack	4857	NA	4
Lorry 6 x 4 B/D Heavy Scammel	23/S/3164	5303)	
	"	5269)	4
	"	5362)	
	"	5363)	

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Subject:- CMD Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

SI RE/E
52 British Liaison Unit
CMF
Ref No:- [illegible]/91/52

Date:- 20 Nov 45

DEPT EI 2 Dist

Copy to:- PRONZ H. 59 Area
DAMS Land Forces Sub-Com AC (SCITA)
DAA & QMG 52 BLU
CMF 52 BLU ✓

1. We enclose for your information copy of SCITA letter G.027 dated 2 Nov 45.

2. No action has yet been taken by the Italian Ministry of War in connection with para 3 of above letter, also no instructions have yet been received from SCITA regarding para 4 although it is considered that the procedure for the evacuation and replacement of vehicles and the obtainment of MT spares should have been clarified prior to the change-over from British to Italian administration.

3. The whole position regarding Ord Stores is rapidly becoming impossible and although SCITA are now convinced of the desirability of a BLU Services meeting, as yet no meeting has been arranged and if the present position is allowed to continue, the past few months work of SCITA and the Gruppo MT Units in repair and recovery of Gruppo MT and Equipment will be wasted and the VOR state of the Gruppo MT will rapidly return to its previous high level.

4. Due to the efforts on the part of the Gruppo Wksps, a Wksp load of 250 vehicles in June 45 has now been reduced to under 40 vehicles and with their present efficiency, these Wksps are now capable of reducing this completely and also coping with the daily Divisional repair commitments but with the premature change-over to Italian channels (at present non-existent), this efficiency will be completely lost and the Division will once again be 'crippled' by a high percentage of VORs.

5. If the Italian Combat Groups are to remain efficient operational Units, it is essential that the above should be avoided and an immediate plan drawn up to cover the transition period of British to Italian channels and the only feasible solution would appear to be the continuation of Allied supplies of MT spares etc until the Italian channels have been formulated and are in a sufficient satisfactory running condition to take over the commitments of the 5 Italian Combat Groups. It is obvious that the preparation of 1 year's scaling of MT spares and equipment will present considerable difficulties and also that the Italian administration and organisation will require considerable 'schooling' before they are technically capable of handling the supply to the 5 Gruppos and some alternative plan is required to cover this period.

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4. We enclose for your information copy of [illegible] letter [illegible] dated 2 Nov 45.

2. No action has yet been taken by the Italian Ministry of War in connection with para 3 of above letter, also no instructions have yet been received from [illegible] regarding para 4 although it is considered that the procedure for the evacuation and replacement of vehicles and the obtainment of OME spares should have been clarified prior to the change-over from British to Italian administration.

3. The whole position regarding Ord Stores is rapidly becoming impossible and although [illegible] are now convinced of the desirability of a REME Services meeting, as yet no meeting has been arranged and if the present position is allowed to continue, the past few months work of RAOC and the Gruppo [illegible] Units in repair and recovery of Gruppo MT and Equipment will be wasted and the [illegible] state of the Gruppo MT will rapidly return to its previous high level.

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6. Pending instructions from [illegible] re para 4 of the above letter, we have cancelled all back-loading to British Veh Parks as it is now obvious that an Italian [illegible] would have to be established. Also a ruling on the procedure for the 'breaking down' of Class VI Vehs is required as it is evident that this also will have to be controlled by the Italian Ministry of War.

[illegible] 2/Lt
P.H. Nelson.
[illegible]

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ORD. OFFICER
B.O.W.O.

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COPY

Subject:- Veh Documentation on transfer of Units from BR1-ITI to ITI-ITI Categories.

Land Forces Sub Comm AC (MMIA)
9.027
2 November 45

For Ministry of War.

1. On the transfer to the Italian Army of the Combat Dive and various other Units formerly of 'Gruppi Tail Unit' or 'Service' category, Allied vehs in possession of such Units will become the property of the Iti Army.

2. You are therefore requested to instruct Territorial Commands and Combat Dive concerned that, with effect from the date on which BR-ITI Units are transferred, no further returns in respect of Allied vehs in their possession will be requiredby GHQ CMF, and that vehs will be accounted for to the War Ministry, SMAE by the submission of a monthly vehicle return similar to that which is at present rendered by ITI-ITI Units.

3. In addition, will you please provide Territorial Commands and Combat Dive with 'Blocks' of Italian Army Registration numbers (targa numbers) and arrange for the WD numbers at present displayed by the Allied vehs to be replaced by the new numbers immediately the Units concerned are transferred from BR-ITI category.

Lists showing the makes, types, original WD numbers, engine and chassis numbers of all Allied type vehicles held by each of the Units concerned on the date of their transfer should be obtained by you and forwarded to this HQ. It is important that this info should reach this Hq within 14 days of the date of transfer.

4. Further instructions will follow regarding the procedure to be adopted by such Units for the evacuation and replacement of vehs, and for obtaining vehicle spares of Allied manufacture.

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(Sgd) RA CURTIS, Lt.Col.
for Maj.General, MMIA.

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Subject: Recovery of Italian Material
from Captured stocks.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(133)
19 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. Further to my ORD/4(125) of 13 Nov., copy of M.M.I.A. letter Q.154 of 16 Nov. is repeated to you for information.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Subject: Recovery of Italian Material
from Captured Stocks.

Land Forces Sub Commission. A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) Rome.
Q.154
16th. Nov. '45.

To: 2 District.

Reference your 1259/Q2 dated 10 November '45, enclosing the attached correspondence from A.M.G. Bergamo Province. This is not understood.

If the stock of Italian Army material held at Baggio has not yet been released to M.M.I.A., it is requested the matter may be expedited. If, as is understood, the material has been released to M.M.I.A., control and disposal of the stores will rest with the Territorial H.Q. Milan, acting on instructions from the War Ministry.

Demands for Winter Clothing from the Gruppi should be made by them to the Territorial H.Q. of the Command in which they are serving.

(Sgd) R.A. Curtis. Lt. Col.
For Major General,
M.M.I.A.

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) MESSAGE FORM Number No. 48

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FROM (A) Originator: DDOS DISTWO | Date-Time of Origin: 141430 | Office Date Stamp: ARMY BUFFALO SIGNAL

For Action: 0052 BLU

TO

SEEN OSD, OFFICER

(W) For Information (INFO): 19 XI

Message Instructions: QSH | GB 90

Originator's No. 05/921

Unclassified O Following loading instructions received from MOV and TMG HQ passed for your strict compliance ONE O Loadings of all fronts from FAENZA to ANCONA and JESI inclusive to NAPLES area period 19 to 25 days to be routed via line 26 and FOGGIA O Route to be endorsed on wagon labels O TWO O Loadings from BOLOGNA and all fronts ■ 2901 of BOLOGNA to NAPLES and ROME area period 19 to 25 days to be routed via

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to NAPLES area period 19 to 25 hour
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BOLOGNA and all points # 2901 of
BOLOGNA to NAPLES and ROME area
period 19 to 25 hour to be routed via
LEGHORN and PISA O Route to be endorsed
on wagon labels O THREE O advise
all loading agencies under your command

O All info

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

Signed

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

Signed

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Subject:- Recovery of Italian Material from Captured Stocks.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) SCIB.
0.15/
16 November, 1945.

To:- 2 District.

Reference your 1250/02 dated 10 November 45, enclosing the attached correspondence from A.M.G. Bergamo Province. This is not understood.

If the stock of Italian Army material held at Reggio has not yet been released to M.M.I.A., it is requested the matter may be expedited. If, as is understood, the material has been released to M.M.I.A., control and disposal of the stores will rest with the Territorial B. C. Milan, acting on instructions from the War Ministry.

Demands for winter clothing from the Ground should be made by them to the Territorial H.Q. of the Command in which they are serving.

R.A. Cubley.
R.A. CURLEY Lt. Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

RECD
ORD. OFFICE
B.O.M.B.
19/XI

Copy to: M.M.I.A. Milan.
59 Area
52 B.L.U.
War Material Disposal Sub Commission A.C.

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Para 1 Comm for enfm

WO 2900

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Subject: Monthly Liaison Letter.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(13.)
17 November 1945.

G.S.O. 1.
52 B.L.U.

1. Reference Monthly Liaison Letter.

2. Since the a/m letter is likely to be of very great interest to the Services, may Ord. please be included on the circulation list in future.

W.P.J. Smith 2399
Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Census of Unit Holdings.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(129)
13 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. All vehicles and equipment in possession of "Legnano" Div. have now been passed over to the control of the Italian Government. It follows therefore, that to maintain correct statistics for the altered British commitments, all equipments and vehicles previously shown on monthly Census Returns must be struck off British Census records, so that the provision of spares can be suitably adjusted.

2. Therefore, please instruct all Units under command immediately to submit the normal Monthly Census returns for both vehicles and controlled stores as at 2400 hours 14th. November, instead of 30th. November.

3. A consolidated list of arms and equipment requiring re-scaling under the new circumstances has already been prepared for submission. Since the time factor is of such great importance, this office cannot expeditiously undertake the preparation of a similar list of vehicles by make, type, and contract number, and has accordingly has requested Ufficio Automezzi to prepare this.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject; Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

HQ 2 District, CMF.

Tel Exts 311.

CRD/5048.

16 Nov 45.

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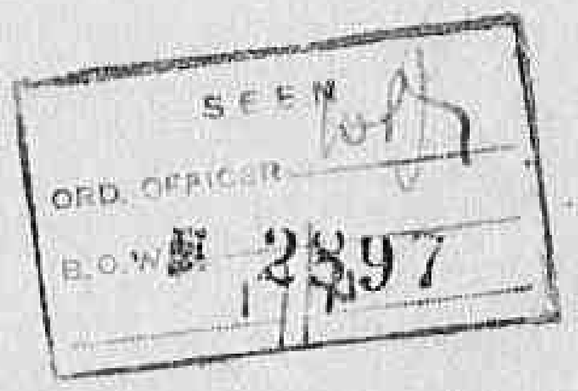
Further my CRD/5048 of 14 Nov, forwarding copy of DOS/7209 of 8 Nov for your necessary action as detailed therein.

It will be noted that the maintenance responsibility of the 5 Gruppi passed from British to Italian administration wef 2400 hrs 14 Nov. It follows, therefore, that to maintain correct Q(AE) Census Statistics for British commitments, all equipment and vehicles subject to monthly census returns should be struck off British Census records; only in this way can provision of spares etc be adjusted to the reduced commitments.

You will arrange, therefore, for Marching Out States in respect of all equipments and vehicles under reference, to be rendered to Q(AE) Census Branch MEF by the respective units holding such equipments and vehicles; in this connection your attention is drawn to DOS Circular 68 and GRO/1171/43.

Major.
(W.D. NEWMAN).
for DOS.

Copy to: DOS (GH) CMF.
Q(AE) Census MEF.



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Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(127)
14 November 1945.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
52 B.L.U.

1. Copy of Ordnance Directorate's DOB/7209 dated 8th. November '45, repeated to this office by D.D.O.S. 2 District, is forwarded to you for information.

Capt.
(W.F.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Copy to: S/C REME 52 BLU.
Ufficio Commissariato.

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Copy.

Ordnance Directorate.
GHQ. MEF.

Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces.

Ref: DOS/7209
Tel: FREEDOM 495
8 Nov. '45.

D.D.O.S. 2 DISTRICT.

1. Consequent upon the publication of AG091.711 G(SD)-O dated 2 Nov 45 wef 2400 hrs 14 Nov, the five Bri-Iti Combat Groups and their support units will be transferred to the control of the Italian Army.

2. Action will be taken to implement DOS Circ. No 224, para 5(b) (i) (ii) and (iii) in respect of all equipment(including lease lend) in possession of Italian units administered by HQ 50- 51 - 52 - 53 - and 56 BLU as at 2400 hrs 14 Nov. 45.

3. The necessary consolidated lists of all equipment issued to Combat Groups and their support units, together with the supporting documents, will be forwarded to Land Forces Sub-Commission, MMIA, AC, CMF, as soon as possible after that date, in accordance with the a/m DOS Circular.

4. The maintenance of these forces is the responsibility of the Italian Government, and after 14 November 45, no further issues of stores will be made from Ord sources, with the following exceptions:-

(A) Certain equipment may be issued on loan, as a temporary expedient up to 1 January 46. In no circumstances will any equipment be issued after 14 Nov 45 without the authority of Staff at this HQ.

(B) Up to one year's maintenance and spare parts for arms, vehicles, and other equipment, so provided, as may be surplus to British requirements.

5. In order that a scaling for equipments referred to in para 4(B) above may be prepared, DADsOS BLUs will be instructed to comply with DOS Circular No 161,para 4 (i) A & B without delay.

6. When the scaling of equipments is complete (except in the case of lethal War-like equipment) it will be declared as surplus to British requirements to Chief Disposals Officer (Italy), Ministry of Supply, in accordance with established procedure.

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7. Issues to Br-Iti units (less the five Combat Groups) who continue to be employed in accordance with existing arrangements, will follow the procedure laid down in DOS Circular No 224, para 5(a) and 8(a) and (b).

(Sgd) AI Nixon, Brigadier, DDOS.
for Maj-Gen. DOS.

AFHQ 2895

Copy to: Q(AE)
MMIA, AC, CMF.
CDO (Italy) British Embassy, Rome.

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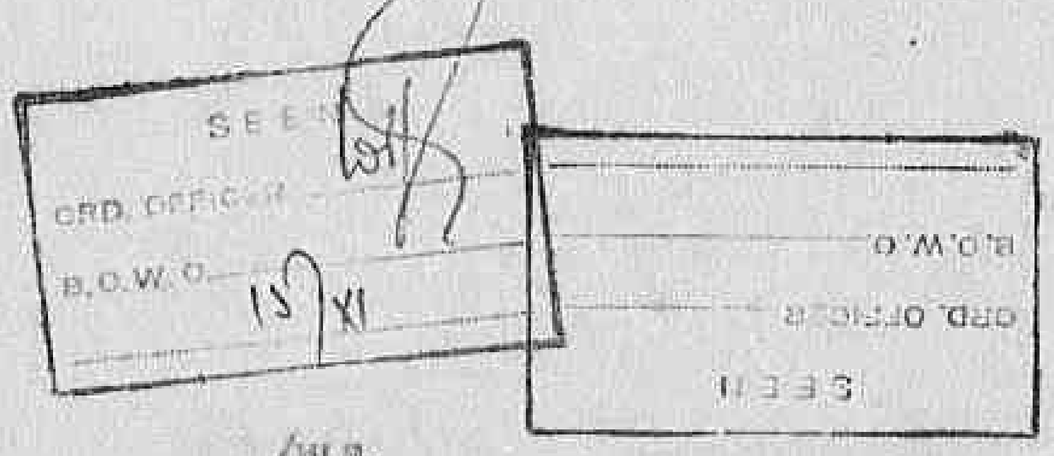
Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces

HQ 2 District CMP
Tel Ext: 313
ORD/5048
14 Nov 45

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CC 56 BLU

1. The attached copy of DOS letter DOS/7209 dated 8 Nov 45 is forwarded for information and necessary action.

2. With regard to para 2 of the a/q letter, it is appreciated that this presents innumerable difficulties and an alternative procedure has been suggested to CMC. If the alternative procedure is agreed it will be made known to you in due course.



/MLB.

Lt Col,
(JW BUTLIN)
Ex 2394.

ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE
GII CMF

Subject: Issues to Italian Armed Forces

Ref: DOS/7209

Tel: FREEDOM 495

DDOS 2 District

8 Nov 45

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3. The necessary consolidated lists of all equipment issued to the combat groups and their support units, together with the supporting documents, will be forwarded to Land Forces Sub-Commission, AMFA, AC, CMF, as soon as possible after that date, in accordance with the a/m DOS Circular.

4. The maintenance of these forces is the responsibility of the Italian Government and after 14 November 1945 no further issues of stores will be made from Ord sources, with the following exceptions :-

(a) Certain equipment may be issued on loan as a temporary expedient up to the 1 January 1946. In no circumstances will any equipment be issued after 14 November 1945 without the authority of the Staff at this HQ.

(b) Up to one year's maintenance and spare parts for arms, vehicles, and other equipment, so provided, as may be surplus to British requirements.

5. In order that a scaling for equipments referred to in para 4(b) above may be prepared, D/DsOS BLUs will be instructed to comply with DOS Circular No 161, para 4 (i) A & B without delay.

6. When the scaling of equipments is complete (except in the case of lethal war-like equipment) it will be declared as surplus to British requirements to Chief Disposals Officer (Italy), Ministry of Supply, in accordance with established procedure, but with priorities requested for its sale to the Italian Government. Subject to the CDO (Italy) agreeing to these priorities, the responsibility for subsequent allocation and issue of these stores is that of the Italian Government. In the case of lethal war-like equipment, transfers will be arranged, by this HQ with AMFA.

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BLU as at 2400 hrs 14 November 1945.

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6. When the scaling of equipments is complete (except in the case of lethal war-like equipment) it will be declared as surplus to British requirements to Chief Disposals Officer (Italy), Ministry of Supply, in accordance with established procedure, but with priorities requested for its sale to the Italian Government. Subject to the CDO (Italy) agreeing to these priorities, the responsibility for subsequent allocation and issue of these stores is that of the Italian Government. In the case of lethal war-like equipment, transfers will be arranged, by this H with MMIA.

7. Issues to Br-Iti units (less the five combat groups) who continue to be employed in accordance with existing arrangements, will follow the procedure laid down in DOS Circular No 224, para 5(a) and 8(a) and (b).

(Sgd) AI NIAM, Brigadier, DDOS
for Maj-Gen. DOS.

Copy to: Q(AS) 2293
MMIA, AC, CMF.
CDC (Italy) British Embassy, Rome.

Copy to Commissariat) for info.
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Subject: Ord. Stores to Legnano Gruppo.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
OR 3/4 (125)
13 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. The attached copy letter from H.Q. 2 District is repested for information.

Capt.
(W.F.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Subject: Ord. Stores to Legnano Gruppo.

HQ No 2 District, CMF.
1295/G2
10th. November '45.

AMIA.

1. Reference attached correspondence from ANG Bergamo Province.

2. May inventories of all stocks of Italian Army origin held at Magazzini di Commissariato dell-Esercito e Baggio be forwarded to this HQ, in order that release may be made to the Legnano Gruppo of these items of equipment not required for British Military purposes.

3. Please return the attached correspondence for our files.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Colonel
DA & QMG.

Copy to: 59 Area
52 BLU.
WDD Disposal Sub Commission AC.

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SUBJECT: Ox2 Steers to Legnano Gruppo

HQ No 2 District, CMF

1295/42

10 Nov 45.

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W.H. Beamp T/Comd.

for Colonel,
AA & QMG.

Copy to: 59 Area
52 DAU
MAD Disposal Sub Commission AC

Sec 125

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ARMY FORM C 2136 (Large) **MESSAGE FORM** Register No. 35

Call	Srl. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
	0057	OP	123

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.

FROM (A) Originator: DSOS DIST 200 | Date-Time of Origin: 111120A

Office Date Stamp: 11 NOV 45 LU SIGNALS

For Action: 00 52 BLO

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions: QCH | GR 47

Originator's No.

05/866 Unclassified O Action will be taken by you to implement JOS circular 224 Para 5 (b) (I) (II) and (III) in respect of all equipment (including Mae Tad) in possession of Italian units administered by you as at 2400 hrs 1st Nov 1945 O Letter following

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	GCH	47

Originator's No.

OS/866 Undersigned O Action will be taken by you to implement 305 Corps Int 224 Para 3 (b) (I) (II) and (III) in respect of all equipment (including Maintd) in possession of Italian units administered by you as at 24.00 hrs 14 Nov 1945 O Letter follows

11 Nov

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Hand to Staff Officer

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except WIRELESS.	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions. Degree of Priority
Signed	Signed	Immediate

Time	System	Op.
THI or TOR 1130	P	HB
Time cleared 1301	P	HB

P.S.S. "A" M150 - 25,000 Pads 100 - 44.

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Subject: Issues to Cable & Wireless Ltd

AD/P 6 (SA) Armd Div
ADOS 6 (Br) Armd Div
ADOS 59 Area
ADOS 217 Area
ADOS 248 Special Area
DADOS 60 Sub Area
OC 7 AGRA
OC 50 HLU
OC 51 HLU
OC 52 HLU
OC 55 HLU
OC 56 HLU

HQ 2 District CMP

Tel Ext: 311

CMD/2007

10 Nov 45

1. Information has been received that the method of recovery for stores issued to Cable and Wireless Ltd is under discussion at the War Office and it is not yet known whether the recovery will be effected locally or centrally in London.

2. Until such time as a decision is reached it will be necessary to record all issues from Ordnance stocks to Cable and Wireless Ltd. instead of making debit vouchers.

3. Monthly schedules of all such issues made will be forwarded to this office at the end of each month to arrive before the 5th of the following month. NIL returns are not required.

/NIL.

Major,
(WD NEWMAN)
for Col, DDOS.

Copy to: CSO 2 District
DDME 2 District

No action

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Subject : Excess Issues

HQ [illegible] District CWE
Tel Ext: 343
ORD/5050
7 Nov.45

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Ordnance Officer
52 BLU

Reference your letter ORD/4(116) dated 1 November 1945.

Authority for the excess issue or two Tanks Washing should have been obtained through this Office, as should all issues requiring authority or G.H.Q.

It is doubtful whether any time will be saved by the action of your staff, as the BOD will probably not accept the authority which you have quoted.

Major,
(FW. BUTLIN)
for Col. DDOS

sm/

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Declassified E.O. 12065 Section 3-402/NNDC NO. 785020

Subject: Returned Stores.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(120)
9 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. With immediate effect, 5 O.B.D. will accept returned stores Mondays and Fridays only, not Saturdays and Sundays.

2. AF G1033's are not now required when future requests are made for d$sposal instructions.

2887 Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

AFO 832 :efers.

Subject: Return of Repairable Engine Assemblies.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(119)
9 November 1945.

S/Capt. R.E.M.E.
52 B.L.U.

1. Repairable engine assemblies will be disposed of, through 5 O.B.D., as shown below.

'A' Vehicles.

Chrysler Multibank Wright 9 Cyl. Radial R-975 Ford GSS V8 (M10A1 Prime Mover) Hercules JXD (White Scout Car) White 160AX GMC 270 (Armd Cars) T17E1 & 2 " " " " Otter (106 HP) Armoured Cars (Fox) International Harvester Red 450B Cadillac Serial 42 (Lt Tank M5 & M5A1) " " " (Snowmobile Cdn Mk 1) Meadows Churchill Waukesha - Tractor M6 - 14592	R.S.D. 557 B.O.D. Central Yard, Naples.
All Carriers with Ford Engines Cars Light Recce Ford	Det 557 B.O.D. Ansaldo Works, Pozzuoli.

'B' Vehicles.

Bedford	504 Workshop Store Section, RAOC, Milan.
Chevrolet (All types) Dodge (All types) Ford (All types) GMC (All types inc DUKWS)	RSD 557 B.O.D. Ansaldo Works, Pozzuoli.
Austin (All types) Dennis	

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Hercules JXD (White Scout Car) White 160AX GMC 270 (Armd Cars) T17E1 & 2 " " " " Otter (106 HP) Armoured Cars (Fox) International Harvester Red 450B Cadillac Serial 42 (Lt Tank M5 & M5A1) " " " (Snowmobile Cdn Mk 1) Meadows Churchill Waukesha - Tractor M6 - 14592	R.S.D. 557 B.O.D. Central Yard, Naples.
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Austin (All types) Dennis Studebaker (inc M29 Cargo Carrier) Albion (All petrol types) Jeep (Ford & Willys) International (All petrol types) Hillman Morris 10 HP Utility only Standard James - Motor Cycles Ward La France	RSD 557 B.O.D. Central Yard, Naples.

2. All 'A' and 'B' vehicle engine assemblies, other than those detailed above, will be returned by Formations, Areas and Sub Areas, as follows, for onward despatch to Mideast.

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Formations in AUSTRIA, VENEZIA GIULIA, and VENEZIA PROPRIA.	A.D.O.S. 55 Area, Trieste.
All other Formations and Areas in Italy, except those above.	M.T. R.S.D. 557 BOD, Montecorvino.

Capt.
(W.F.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Copy to: Ufficio Commissariato
For information.

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Subject: Supply and Return of Ordnance Stores.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(118)
5 November 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. With immediate effect, all non-serviceable stores will be consigned, per 5 O.B.D., as under:-

Vote 7.

All stores. RSD 557 BOD Central Yard, Naples.

Vote 8.

All stores. " " " " " "

Vote 9 less MT.

Arty Equipts and Tra: Trailers.	Gun Park, 557 BOD, Montecorvino.
Spare Ord.Pieces, Barrels, Tubes, and Liners.	Rear Gun Park, 557 BOD, Naples.
All Machy stores in Sect. W3.	Group VIII 557 BOD, Ansaldo Works, Pozzuoli.
Radar Equipts. 15 KVA, 22KW, & 24 KW Gen Sets certified BLR.	"A" Depot, 35S/D, 557 BOD, Pontecagnano.
All other Vote 9 (less MT) incl. Radar spares.	Rear Gun Park, 557 BOD, Naples.
	RSD 557 BOD,Central Yard, Naples.

Vote 9 MT. Spares and Assemblies.

MT (except Engine Assemblies.)	MT RSD 1 S/D, 557 BOD, Montecorvino.

2. When serviceable stores have to be returned, they will be properly labelled and returned to their appropriate

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Vote 9 less MT.

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Vote 9 MT. Spares and Assemblies.

MT (except Engine Assemblies.)	MT RSD 1 S/D, 557 BOD, Montecorvino.

2. When serviceable stores have to be returned, they will be properly labelled and returned to their appropriate sub-depot. (1 S/D MT : 2 S/D Clothing etc. : 3 S/D Warlike Stores.)

3. Demands for DOS Reserved Stores (Vote 9) will be made to DOS, AFHQ, CMF, through this office. Votes 7 and 8 stores, previously restricted, will be issued normally against approved entitled indents.

4. Issues in excess of entitlement will be applied for by Units through Staff Channels.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Q(AE) Controlled Stores.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(117)
1 November 1945.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
52 B.L.U.

1. Consequent upon the publication of GHQ/6337/Q(AE) of 19 Oct. '45, the control of Q(AE) Controlled Stores (except A & B vehicles) has passed to D.C.S.? G.H.Q., C.M.F.

2. All demands for issues in excess or in default of Unit entitlement however, will continue to be submitted through Staff Channels to H.Q. District/Formation, for onward transmission to Q(AE)., G.H.Q., C.M.F., for approval.

3. The control of A & B Vehicles by Q(AE) will continue as heretofore.

4. I Shall be pleased therefore if you will pass to this office all correspondence concerning outstanding demands not covered by Paras 2 & 3, indicating action taken and progress. I shall also be pleased if you will notify the Staff of the "Legnano" Div., copy to this office, that the abovementioned correspondence has been so passed, and inform them that all future demands from Units, for replacement requirements of Q(AE) Controlled Stores (With the exception of A & B Vehicles) should be made on Ord.

W.P.J. 2883

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Copy to: Ufficio Commissariato.
Please circularise all Units, copy to this office, that from now on Ordnance will deal with demands for Controlled Stores, with the exception of A & B vehicles, which will be dealt with through Staff Channels as previously.

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Subject: Excess Issues

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52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(116)
November 1945.

D.D.O.3.
H.Q. 2 District;
C.M.F.

1. Herewith copy Indent which I have forwarded to B.O.D. for action, under instructions transmitted telephonically from 59 Area to my D.A.A. & Q.M.G., and passed by letter to me. (Annex. 2)

2. I must, in view of my rank and despite my appointment, accept the ruling obtained from 59 Area. Nevertheless, I am not satisfied that Ordnance installations are receiving due attention, (see Annex 1) and request my action be confirmed.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Enc: Annexures (2)
Copy Indent (1)

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Subject: Losses on Rail.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(115)
29 October 1945.

G11,
52 B.L.U.

Reference your G/43/149 of 26th. Oct., and Distwo 2019/4 G(O) of 25th. Oct. '45.

1. Since I view the suggested plan for the safeguarding of Ord. storesonn rail to this formation with considerable lack of enthusiasm, I propose to reply in D.O. vein, in order more fully to explain my disfavourable attitude towards it.

2. Taking the points in chronological order. The first para of Distwo's letter suggests I.C.G.'s materials are the only ones involved, yet, logically, it would appear that train robbers have but little time and inclination, to sort out stores for I.C.G.'s, from a train loaded with material for both British and Italian formations.

3. If this proposal were adopted, it would be likely to delay the arrival of stores by approximately a fortnight, since all Ord. stores are received by rail from Naples. No knowledge of consignment of stores is available until the stores are packed and awaiting despatch. Approximately a week would pass, whilst messages circulate from Naples to Distwo, there to B.I.U., B.I.U. to Legnano H.Q., thence to lower Units for detailing and preparing men for the undertaking. A further week would be required for the journey to Naples. (It would, of course, be possible to send the men down by lorry, but that would be somewhat ridiculous, since that lorry would be able to pick up most of the stores awaiting delivery for this formation.) From experience, it appears that at present, stores from Naples take in the region of three weeks to arrive at Milan. It also appears that trains with stores for this formation arrive about every second day. Thus, if only three men were required for each train, this Division would have to provide a pool of minimum strength of 60 (50 of whom would be away at any one time) to cope with this.

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4. Furthermore, stores arrive in trucks loaded for mixed Units, British and Italian. It is an extremely rare circumstance for this formation to have sufficient stores in any one train to fill a railway wagon. The winter blankets have provided the only exception to date. Generally speaking, it would be true to say that the equivalent of slightly less than one railway truck load of Ord. stores is received weekly by this formation.

5. It is surprising to me to learn that other B.L.U.'s appear to be losing Ord. stores by train robber. From a quick review, this installation has no considerable deficiency (of complete packages of which it has been advised) to report. There is a fairly large incidence of pilferage, but it is not the habit of a train robber to open a package and take an individual item. Pilferage is more normal in depots.

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6. I have detailed above my main objections to the proposal, but since destructive criticism is valueless in itself, I propose that a pool of personnel for train guard be drawn from all Units served by 5 O.B.D., and are detailed for duty irrespective of what stores they have to guard. This would be more economical in manpower. (You would not then have need to employ more than three or four per train, to augment the present guard, whereas in the circumstances previously suggested, 30 or more men may have been detailed by this formation. Thus also, this Division, which is fulfilling an operational role, would not be denuded of personnel which it can badly spare. If train guards are at the moment, all Station, my proposal should be amended slightly. N.C.O's should be drawn from Bombay Units, just as men from Indian.

(SIGNED) W.P.J. SMITH.
Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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2019/4.

Subject: Losses on Rail.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
26 Oct 45.

G/43/149

Ord, 52 BLU. ✓

1. The attached copy of HQ 2 District letter 2019/4 G(O) dated 25 Oct is forwarded for your information, and comments please.

2. It is presumed that it refers to stores which may be despatched from such places as NAPLES, etc, to 5 ORD at MILAN.

ORD OFFICER
B.C.W.O.

Wolf
86/x.

Major,
GS.

TPL/NS

Copy to: HQ LEGNANO Inf Div.

COPY

Subject: Losses on rail.

HQ 2 District CMF
2019/4 G(O)

25 Oct 45.

HQ Train Guard Control, CMF.

Copy to: Mov)
Ord) 2 District.
50 BLU)
51 BLU) BLU's are requested
52 BLU) to state whether they
53 BLU) agree with this pro-
56 BLU) posed solution.

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ORD. OFFICER
B.A.F.W.O.

TPL/NS

Copy to: HQ LEGNANO Inf Div.

Major,
GS.

COPY

Subject: Losses on rail.

HQ 2 District CMF
2019/4 G(O)

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2379

1. Losses of stores on rail to Italian Combat Groups have become fairly constant. These stores are issued from British sources, and it is desired to safeguard them en route by calling on the consignee to provide a guard for them.

2. It is suggested that when Ord at MILAN, BOLOGNA, JESI, etc, know that a consignment for an ICG will shortly be sent a demand is made through Ord channels to the DADOS of the appropriate BLU to find a small guard from the tps he is with. This guard would then go to the place of despatch and take over the responsibility of safeguarding the relevant trucks until they arrived at their destination.

3. It is requested that you will say whether you have any objection to this plan.

(signed) C.C.L.BROWNE
Lieut-Col.
GS.

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Recd 1430

RESTRICTED.

Subjected: Operational Command.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
26 Oct 45.

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HQ LINELO Int Div.

The following copy of HQ 2 District signal dated 26 Oct 45 is forwarded for information :-

G21/2211 (.) Restricted (.) Ref 2359A has 31 Oct HQ 59 Area will assume all commitments previously the responsibility of HQ 7 AMRA in the province of NOVARA (.) Order of battle follows on restricted distribution showing units passing from comd 7 AMRA to 59 Area ref same time (.) All Armed

G1/103

Copy to: A/C 52 BLO
Ord " ✓
R&U "

Lieut-Col.
GS.

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SECRET
ORD. OFFICER
H.Q.C.M.F.
86/x

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52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(112)
23. October 1945.

Subject: War Equipmer Tables.

D.D.O.S.
H.Q. 2 District,
C.M.F.

1. Herewith certain War Equipment Tables which have been forwarded to me.

2. Since none off these Units are under my administration, or ever likely be so, I return them to you for redistribution, since doubtless there are other installations under your command which can make use of them.

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Capt
(W.P.J. Smi
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L

WL/dc.

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(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

WL/dc.

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Subject: No. 3 Copies.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(111)
20 October 1945.

Officio Commissariato.

1. From the amount of No. 3 copies arriving in this office, it would appear that all Units are not complying with instructions as laid down.

2. Please therefore, circularize all Units that this procedure must strictly be followed, and explain the importance of these being received at B.O.D.
It would be appreciated if a copy of your circular could be sent to this office.

W.P.S.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Issues to British O.R's.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(110)
2nd October 1945.

Camp Commandant,
52 B.L.U.

1. Will you please bring to the notice of all concerned, that no individual issues will be made from D.A.D.O.S. Dump, 52 B.L.U.

2. Issues will only be made on properly authorised indents, approved by O.O. 52 B.L.U.

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Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 BLU.

WL/DC
Copy to: S/Capt. R.E.M.E. 52 B.L.U.

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52 Brit sh Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(109)
2nd October 1945.

Subject: Rendition of Returns.

O.C. Mech. Eng. W/Shops.
O.C. Mech. Eng. Platoon.

1. The following returns will be rendered as shown below. All returns received after the time stated will not be included in demand for that particular period to which return refers.

(A) Bulk Demand for Engines. — As at 12.00 hours Thursday of each week, to arrive in this office by by 18.00 hours Thursday.

(B) Demand for Half Shaft Assemblies for Ford Staff Cars & Utilities. — As at 12.00 hours Sunday of each week, to arrive in this office by 12.00 hours Monday.

W.P.J.

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Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

Copy to: S/Capt. R.E.M.E. 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Returns

HQ 2 District CWE

Tel Ext: 311

ORD/5023

17 Oct 45

ADOS 218 Special Area
ADOS 217 Area
ADOS 59 Area
ADOS 6 Br Armd Div
ADOS 10 Ind Inf Div
DADOS 60 Sub Area
00 7 AGRA
00 50 ELU
00 51 ELU
00 52 ELU
00 53 ELU
00 56 ELU

1. The following returns will be rendered as shown below. All returns received after the time stated will not be included in demand for that particular period to which return refers. NIL returns are not required.

Bulk Demand for Engines.	As at 1200 hrs Friday each week to arrive this office before mid-day Monday.
Bulk Demand for Tyres and Tubes.	As at 1200 hrs Saturday each week to arrive this office before mid-day Tuesday.
Demand for Half Shaft Assys.	As at 1200 hrs Monday to arrive this office before mid-day Wednesday.

2. If these returns are rendered promptly it will enable speedier release to be made.

/MLS.

SEEN
ORD. OFFICER 107
S.O.W.O. Lt.
2t /x

/ . . . . . Major.
(WD NEWMAN)
for DDOS.

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Ord Instr W/St. Pt. & Sec 109

Subject: D.O.S. Circu rs.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(107)
19 October 1945.

D.D.O.S.
H.Q. 2 District,
C.M.F.

Ref your ORD/5048 of 13th., which I take in the nature of a D.O. so that I may reply along similar lines, weighing up the pro's and con's which have occurred to me, in order more fully to crystallise the situation. It will be observed that a number of apparently irrelevant points have been raised, but I have included them deliberately, in order that a better view of the picture, as a whole, may be obtained.

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Issues of tentage were made by 'Q' Branch, and no record of Unit holding in the form of vouchers, nor the stores themselves, passed through this installation. Naturally, information of this nature is readily available from 'Q' sources.

In the light of Circ No. 224, it is presumed that priced vouchers are no longer being issued by Depots, but even so, in view of the foregoing, it would appear that, if detailed records of issues to Gruppi are required, the most practical method would be

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still to obtain consolidated lists of issues to individual Gruppi, as a whole, irrespective of the Unit within the Gruppo, by Base Depots. A snag in the system of sending priced vouchers for signature by Unit is that it often happened that the original copies of the vouchers did not arrive with the stores, and the stores were then taken on Unit charge by C.R.V. Thus there was no assured link by which the Italian equivalent of our Q.M. could identify the stores on C.R.V., with a voucher arriving so much later, and accordingly asserted that they had never received the stores in question. Contained in these lists, naturally, would be certain items of Bulk demands from which issues were made to the BLU attached to the Gruppo, but, in comparison with the total involved, this can be discounted as negligible? This does not impair the working of accounting instructions outlined in paras 5(b)(111)(b),(c), and (d). Charges against the Italian Government, where Units disband or are instructed to hand in their equipment, would be arrived at by reducing the issues to the Gruppo concerned by the list of stores handed in.(i.e. Gruppo is charged with net total stores consumed by the Unit.)

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If Para 5(b)(111) could be read to include only stores on N.E.L. and S.E.L.,(since under active service conditions all stores, in effect, become expendable, i.e. normal wastage and replacement not taken into account) a simple ledger based on Equipment Lists, with three columns headed respectively (1) Stores Received, (2) Stores Held, and (3) Disposal of Balance, if any. (This last to account for any stores justifiably deficient, i.e. handed in to Ord for any reason, lost by Enemy Action, written off after Court of Enquiry, etc.) The difference between the last two headings and the first would thus represent Unit deficiencies.

It must be taken into account, should this method be considered for adoption, that the stores which, in the above para, I have loosely

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called "justifiably deficient", would thus be a charge against the British public. In such deficiencies however, would be certain stores written off due to unfair wear and tear, or even sold by the person to whom they were on charge. (A case in point is a technical lorry sold by it's driver.) Under these circumstances, after the proper formalities, cost of replacement has been recovered by the Italian Army from the individual, but reissue made by Ord without, at the moment, any charge raised against the Italian Government. Under these circumstances, an amendment would further be required to the system outlined in Circ. No. 224, for making financial adjustments between the two Governments.

Cases where, after Courts of Enquiry, transport has had to be written off through being impressed by Tito's forces, or where a Sub Machine Carbine was taken from a soldier of the Gruppo by an American M.P., thinking the former was a partisan, would doubtless remain a charge against the British public.

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In this case, authorised excess issues, e.g. Mountain Warfare Equipment issued to certain Units, would have to be taken into consideration.

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From the point of view of Ord in a BLU, the second method would appear to be the most easily workable, but it is, of course, dependant on AFHQ policy. The first suggestion would be the more laborious, but I can see no overwhelming difficulties in execution, and recommend it, if AFHQ maintain their decision to make a detailed, rather than a 'pro rata', charge for stores issued to

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This reply is based on an intimate contact with the idiosyncrasies of a number of Italian Officers, and some knowledge of the Administration within the Italian Army. Thus, due provision has been given to the psychological reaction and manner of execution of instructions given to officers senior in rank. (In this connection, it is observed that it would be helpful if officers, particularly services officers, held at least equivalent rank to their Italian counterparts. In passing, it is also noted that the ADOS as appointed in a British Div. to accept similar Ord. responsibilities but less difficulties.)

It is apparent that the policy of posting personnel to B.L.Us has been to chose those with wide experience (Vide the high proportion

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of regular soldiers on the establishment of B.L.Us) but, even so, it must be emphasised that any circulars concerning administration must be clear and concise so that no possibility of latitude of interpretation can be present in its English form. This is particularly important when such instructions have to be transmitted to the Italians, possibly without the benefit of an interpreter.

Capt.

(W.P.J. Smith)
Ordnance Officer 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: Unit Signs.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(106)
19 October 1945.

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52 B.L.U.

1. Reference your AQ/10/57 dated 15th. October '45.

1. Paint is an expendable item and therefore should be demanded as and when required, even though it may not be shown on any Equipment List. Ord this H.Q. consider themselves responsible for obtaining supplies.

2. Indents for paint have been submitted from this office, but advices have today been received from Base that owing to non-availability, my demands cannot immediately be met, but that the stores concerned will be forwarded, without further application, when they arrive in this theatre.

3. It is appreciated that the above does not materially affect the present position, but is passed to you solely for information so that the maintenance of unit signs is assured, even if the work is undertaken before such time as the paint arrives.

Capt.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
Ordnance Officer 52 BLU.

WPJ S/DC

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(103)

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.F.
15 Oct 45.

AQ/10/57.

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2. If the GOC approves of the work being done, it would be much appreciated if he could give the necessary authority to units in the form of a written order instructing them to carry it out and which can be forwarded by Commanders as authority for the expenditure. It may well be that you already have this matter in hand, and I trust that you will not mind my mentioning it.

Lieut-Col.
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JSED/NS

Copy to: 00 11 Artillery Regt.
00 68 Inf Regt.
00 69 (Specialo) Inf Regt.
00 51 Engineer Rn.
00 LEGNANO MT Workshops.
00 244 Field Hospital.
00 352 Field Hospital.
DADOS, LEGNANO Inf Div.
GHI(Trg), 52 HLU.

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Subject: DOC Circulars

H. Q. 2 District
Tel ext 312
ORD/ 5048
13 Oct. 44

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DC 50 BLD
51 LEG
52 LM
53 ELC
56 SLD

Reference DOC Circular No 224 of 1945.

1. It would appear on the surface that the a/m circular presents a formidable task, para 4(b) refers.

2. However your attention is directed to para 1 "All other items of a non-expendable nature" - this would appear to exclude all the multifarious articles for OCD.

3. Will you please carefully study the circular and send your observations to this office. On receipt of replies, if it is felt that there is a case to put forward concerning an amendment action will be taken accordingly.

4. Attached is a copy of Annex 9 to A.G.4 30/1 dated 22 Sept 44 for your information.

(R. B. RICKETTS) Major
for Col. D.C.O.

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COPY of ANNEXURE "B"

CLOTHING SCALE, ITALIAN ARMY

1. The basic clothing and individual equipment scale for all categories of The Italian Army is as follows:

Blouse, battledress	ea 1
Trousers battledress	ea 1
Shirt Cotton	ea 2
Belt web waist	ea 1
Drawers wool	ea 2
Undershirt wool or pullover (1 pullover equals 2 undershirts wool)	ea 2
Towel	ea x1
Cap Field	ea 1
Overcoat or Mackinaw	ea 1
Boots or shoes (2 pairs authorised in winter if supplies permit	pr 1
Socks	pr 3
Anklets or leggins (when required)	pr 1
Sewing kit initial issue only	ea 1
Blankets or comforter (1 comforter equals 2 blankets)	ea 2
Pack carrier (when required)	ea 1
Canteen (when required)	ea 1
Mess Kit (including fork spoon and cup)	ea 1

2. Items made available under the provisions of Annex "C" will include all items of British scales of clothing and individual equipment and United States Tables of Equipment 21.

3. Addition to the scale will be as approved by AFHQ for BR-ITI and Commanding General, NATOUSA for US-ITI. Addition to the scale for ITI-ITI will be as approved by AMG and dependent upon the available supply received in accordance with the provisions of Annex "C"

4. Field jackets, wool shirts, wool caps, wool trousers, overcoats, mackinaws, wool and battledress will be dyed green prior to issue to the Italian Army and Italian Air Force.

WAR 2865

Subject: Accommodation in Italy.

HQ No. 2 District, CMF.
Tel Ext: 313.
ORD/7004.
// Oct 45.

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1. Herewith for your information copy of AFHQ Adm Instruction No. 23.

2. Please review forthwith requisitioned property in possession of yourself and all units under your administration, and derequisition any unoccupied property for which no future use is foreseen.

3. In future, before submitting request for approval of further requisition of property, please ensure that such applications are justified under the provisions of paras 4 and 5 of the enclosed instruction.

for Col.
DDOS.

Subject: Red Star Stores.

HQ No. 2 District, CMF.
Tel Ext: 313.
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The attached copy of DOS/7263 dated 5 Oct 45 is forwarded for your information.

for Col.
DDOS.

CAPT.
ORDNANCE OFFICER 52 B.L.U

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AFHQ/1229/Q(Maint).

20 Sep 45.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

BRITISH ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 23.

ACCOMMODATION IN ITALY.

1. AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 29 dated 8 Jul 44, announced the policy that the needs of all Italian agencies, whether commercial, governmental or private, are subordinate to those of the United Nations. There can be no change in this general policy which would prejudice the redeployment programme or affect the operational efficiency of the forces remaining in the theatre, or involve construction of alternative accommodation.

2. In order to assist in the rehabilitation of the governmental and economic life of ITALY, it is necessary that every consideration be given to well founded requirements of the Italian authorities. Civilian necessity for the rehabilitation of ITALY is paramount to Military convenience.

3. All commanders in ITALY having requisitioned property under their control, will, upon receipt of this Instruction, take the following action:

(a) Investigate immediately the use which is being made of all requisitioned accommodation within their Command to determine the necessity for such use.

(b) Review, from time to time, all accommodation held, in order to ensure the utmost economy of use and to release any accommodation the continued use of which cannot be justified as a Military necessity.

(c) Derequisition all unoccupied real estate if no requirement is foreseen for it and derequisition all other accommodation, the occupancy or use of which is not warranted as a Military necessity. Every effort will be made to expedite the release of government administrative buildings, prisons, educational facilities, hospitals, hotels and warehouses.

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4. All requests for additional accommodation will be strictly scrutinised by authorities competent to requisition and no request for accommodation will be considered unless it contains complete justification. Normally, requests for additional accommodation will not be approved unless such accommodation is clearly a Military necessity.

5. All Authorities in ITALY competent to requisition, [illegible] 2263 all times, be able to justify the continued use of requisitioned accommodation if so required by this Headquarters.

6. This Instruction in no way affects the instructions contained in AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 14 of 7 Mar 45, subject "Use of Commercial Facilities for Civil Requirements" and in AFHQ letter AG 004/171 CAO-O dated 11 Aug 45, subject "Release of Hotel Accommodation".

Sd. M.C.E. SHARP, Brigadier.
for Major General.
C.A.O., A.F.H.Q.

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Subject : MMIA Adm Instr No.28.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
10 Oct 45.

AQ/3/199.

O.C. 52 BLU.

Ref Ord/4(99) dated 25 Sep 45.

The Legnano Inf Div is in the category of BR-ITI COMBAT troops, and as such will continue to be clothed on the original scale under Table 72.

MMIA Adm Instr No.28 refers only to BR-ITI SERVICE troops and certain ITI-ITI units.

(H.FERRO.) Major,
for DAA&QMG.

HF/hj

Copy to : 'G' Branch,
REME,
Camp Comd.

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Subject: Designation of Italian Combat Groups.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CAF.
10 Oct 45.

AA/1B/67

HQ LECHIANO

Information has been received under MMIA signal MD 2991 dated 4 Oct 45 that :-

The Italian Ministry of War has issued an instruction to Italian Lower Hqs that wef 15 Oct 45 "ITALIAN COMBAT GROUPS" will be designated "ITALIAN INF DIVISIONS".

For example: "LECHIANO INF DIVISION".

(H. FERRO) Major,
For Lieut-Col.
GS.

Copy to: 'G' Branch 52 BLU. (6)
EME 52 BLU. (2)
Ord 52 BLU. (2)
Camp Cond 52 BLU (2)
Sigs Office 52 BLU (2)
MTO 52 BLU (2)
War Diary (2)
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O 52 BLU

for Deputy

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

D.O.S. OFFICE INSTRUCTION
No.202

Subject: Ordnance Directorate, G.H.Q., C.M.F.

1. In view of the reorganisation of AFHQ, Ordnance (British), AFHQ will be re-named as follows w.e.f. 1 Oct 45 :-

ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE, G.H.Q., C.M.F.

2. CORRESPONDENCE - Letters from G.H.Q., C.M.F.

(a) Letters will be headed :-

ORDNANCE DIRECTORATE
G. H. Q. C. M. F.

(b) Letters will be signed :-

for D.O.S., G.H.Q., C.M.F.

3. CORRESPONDENCE - Signals from G.H.Q., C.M.F.

Signals will no longer include "Signed Sacmed Cite FHQRB" but will indicate in the text the originating branch of G.H.Q., C.M.F., thus "from ORD CMF".

Authority: AFHQ AG 322/217 GCT-O dated 22 Sep 45 and AFHQ AG 322/217 SACS-O dated 26 Sep 45.

(P.CRASKE) J.Comd. PA/DOS
for Maj-Gen
DOS

30 Sep 45

Distribution:- All Branches
plus List 'A' (for information)

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52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (99)
7th September 1945.

Subject:- Administration.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.,
52 B.L.U.

September 1945.

Reference M.M.I.A. letter S/Q/5 dated 21st

1/. May a ruling please be given as to whether or not Italian Combat Groups are classed as BR-ITI in the s/m letter.

S/Cdr RAOC.
(W.Lyon)
for Ordnance Officer 53 B.L.U.

WL/WL .

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Land Forces Sub Commission
AC (MMIA) ROME.

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S/Q/5
21 September 45.

MMIA ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 28

1. OBJECT.

The object of this Instruction is to define the method of :
(a) Redistribution of winter clothing to BR-ITI Service Troops.
(b) Withdrawal, reconditioning and storage of summer clothing.

2. WINTER SCALE.

The scale of clothing to be held by BR-ITI Service Troops for the winter 45/46 is :

Blouses, battle dress	ea 1
Trousers, battle dress	ea 1
Shirt, cotton	ea 2
Belt, web, waist	ea 1
Drawers, wool	ea 2
Undershirt, wool, or pullover (1 pullover equals 2 undershirts, wool)	ea 1
Towel	ea 1
Cap, field	ea 1
Overcoat, or mackinaw	pr 1
Boots or shoes (2 prs authorised in winter if supplies permit)	pr 1
	pr 1
Socks	ea 1
Anklets, or leggings (when required)	
Sewing kit (initial issue only)	ea 4
Blankets, or comforter (1 comforter equals 2 blankets)	ea 1
Packcarrier (when required)	ea 1
Canteen (when required)	ea 1
Mess kit (including fork, spoon and cup)	

3. ISSUE OF BD.

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(b) Winter clothing will be adopted on the date decided by the Allied Formation under whose command the Adm Div is placed. Formations are asked to give the MMIA LO as early warning as possible of this date in order to allow clearance from Sub-Depots to Regimental HQs etc.

4. ISSUE OF BLANKETS.

Blankets will be issued to the scale of four per man (one comforter is [illegible] blankets). Blankets will continue to be held on summer [illegible], but the Adm Div Sub Depot

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The scale of clothing to be held by BR-ITI Service Troops for the winter 45/46 is :

Blouses, battle dress	ea 1
Trousers, battle dress	ea 1
Shirt, cotton	ea 2
Belt, web, waist	ea 1
Drawers, wool	ea 2
Undershirt, wool, or pullover (1 pullover equals 2 undershirts, wool)	ea 2
Towel	ea 1
Cap, field	ea 1
Overcoat, or mackinaw	ea 1
Boots or shoes (2 prs authorised in winter if supplies permit)	pr 1
Socks	pr 3
Anklets, or leggings (when required)	pr 1
Sewing kit (initial issue only)	ea 1
Blankets, or comforter (1 comforter equals 2 blankets)	ea 4
Packcarrier (when required)	ea 1
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5. WITHDRAWAL OF KD AND OTHER SUMMER GARMENTS.

(a) All KD shorts and trousers will be withdrawn into the Sub Depot. (Separate instructions to LOs will follow concerning their subsequent disposal of these garments to Repair Depots).

(b) Drawers and vests cotton will be replaced by drawers and vests woollen and the cotton garments disposed of as in (a) above.

(c) The date by which these withdrawals will be completed will be notified by the MMIA LO with each Adm Div or the instructions of the Allied formation.

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6. ITI-ITI UNITS.

Any ITI-ITI units previously issued with British KD will return [illegible] by the same procedure.

7. This instruction is applicable to :

(a) BR-ITI Service troops.
(b) Any ITI-ITI units (eg. Guard Bns) to whom a special issue of KD has been made.

It is NOT applicable to any other troops of the Italian Armed Forces.

8. The relevant Military of War Order is Number 22555 of September 18.

(signed) AM NEWTON Major
for Maj General
MMIA.

EXTERNAL

Ministry of War
All MMIA LOs (2 copies)
50 ELU
51 ELU
52 ELU
53 ELU
56 ELU
'F' HLTU
803 ERD RAVISCANINA
802 ERD ORVIETO
2 Dis HQ
3 Dis HQ
Public Safety Sub Comm
HQ Allied Comm.

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Subject:B.O.W.O.s

11° Reggimento Arty.
Ufficio Materiale
N° 5719 di prot.
18/9/45

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52 B.L.U.
C . M . F .

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1 - Reference your Ord./4(ç#) dated 10ht sept. 1945.

2 - We ensure that our Q.M. will visit D.A.D.O.S. Office whem requiring assistance and in any case once a week.=

Ten.
(Berretta Renato)
for 11° Arty.

IL COMANDO DEL RAGGRUPPAMENTO "LEGNANO"

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Location

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HQ 7 A.G.R.A.
1278/1/OS
16 Sep 45

Admin Statement

Distribution below

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1. Herewith Amendment No. 1 to Admin Statement No. 1 Forwarded under cover of my even No. dated 28 Aug 45.

2. Ord Dump 7 AGRA is located Turin, Map Ref. H987277.

3. Please Ack receipt on Appx below.

Capt
A.D.C. HQ 7 A G R A

TJT/erj

Distribution

D.C.S. A.F.H.Q.
D.D.O.S. 1 District
D.D.O.S. 2 District
D.D.O.S. 3 District
C.O.C. 557 A.O.D. (6)
C.O.C. 35 A.O.D. (6)
A.D.O.S. 15 Army Gp (35)
A.D.O.S. 56 Area
A.D.O.S. 59 Area
A.D.O.S. 61 Area
A.D.O.S. 217 Area
A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C.
A.D.O.S. 55 (A) Area
D.A.D.O.S. 60 Sub Area
D.A.D.O.S. 214 Sub Area
D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U.
D.A.D.O.S. 51 B.L.U.
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.
D.A.D.O.S. 53 B.L.U.
D.A.D.O.S. 60 B.L.U.
O.C. 201 Sub Area
G.C. 531 L of C S.C.U. (6)
O.C. 5 O.B.D. (6)
G.O.C.O. 7 A.G.R.A.

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AMND LIST NO1 TO ADMIN SCHEDULE NO1 DATED 28 AUG 45

Under Heading RA:-

Add 75 (SY) Med Regt

Under Heading RE:-

Delete 551 Army Tps Coy

Under Heading SC:-

Delete Sec 203 DID
Add 69 DID
Delete 765 (GT) Coy
Add 1 Pl 765 Coy RASC (GT)

Under Heading MeD:-

Add 172 Mob Dental Unit

Under Heading REME:-

Delete 67 It Rec Sec
Add 677 Lt RecSec
Add LAD 75 (SY) Med Regt

Under Heading ORD:-

Add 6 Amn DH Sub Sec
3 Ord Maint Coy

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SUBJECT : Carriage of Civilians in MT Transport.

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SC British Liaison Unit
CMF
15 Sep 45

AG/1/455

See Distribution

It has been ruled by AFHQ that the rule forbidding Allied personnel to convey civilians in MT vehicles will not apply to the Italian Army. vehicles.

In order that there shall be no misunderstanding with regard to this discrimination which penalises Allied Drivers it is pointed out to all concerned that the underlying reason for this order is to avoid demands by Italians for compensation for the British Government for injuries or damage received while so travelling.

J.H. Rayles
Lieut Col
GS

JSHD/aa

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Pres. Sgts Mess)
Camp)
MIC)
DADOS)
SCRMS)
GII (Trs))

Please ensure that all ranks (British) under your command are notified accordingly.

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Subject: Communications.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
11 Sep 45.

G/49/48

To: See Distribution.

Consequent on the reduction of signals personnel on the WE of a BLU to one sjt (R.Sigs) and two telephone orderlies (any arm), the following instructions will take effect forthwith :-

1. Wireless Link.
Will be closed down under arrangements to be made by Sjt DEERING.

2. Fullerphone Link.
The Fullerphone link to HQ 59 Area will continue, and will be operated by 4 ORs attached from 14 L of C Signals.

3. Telephone Exchange.
Will continue to be manned day and night until further notice. Sjt DEERING will arrange for this to be done by the 4 ORs from L of C Sigs; plus the 2 telephone orderlies who will be given the necessary preliminary instruction.

4. ELS.
The trunk ELS will call once daily in each direction as follows, wef 142015 B Sep :-

MILAN - BOLOGNA.

arr BERGAMO (52 BLU) - 2150 hrs
dep BERGAMO (") - 2200 hrs

BOLOGNA - MILAN.

arr BERGAMO (52 BLU) - 0800 hrs
dep BERGAMO (") - 0810 hrs.

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Other services will have to be provided by DRs from LEGNANO Gruppo, if required.

Major,
GS.

TPL/NS

Distribution:
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Camp Comd
Sjt Deering.

AMG Bergamo
421 FS Sec
34 Town Major

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Subjects:- B.O.W.O's.

52 British . ison Unit
C.M.F.
CRD/4(93)
10th Sept 1945.

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C. di C. "Legnano".

1. Now that B.O.W.O's have been recalled, it will be impossible to visit Units as often as before.

2. Will all units B.O's therefore ensure that they visit D.A.D.O.S. Office when requiring assistance, and in case at least once a week.

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Major.
(G.W. GORDON.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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REGULATIONS FOR ARMY ORDNANCE SERVICES PART 7

PAMPHLET No. 5

AMENDMENTS (No. 2)

Page 4. *Under* "**APPENDICES**" *insert*—

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6. Accidents and injuries during Gas and Smoke Training 21

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Page 8. Section 2.

Delete paras. 1 and 2 and *substitute*—

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1. Incidents to be reported

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A report is required by the War Office and by the Ministry of Supply on any accident occurring with any type of explosives or ammunition as defined in the preface, and also on any accident occurring in a Bomb Disposal unit. This report is required in addition to :—

(*a*) any report submitted on A.F. B 117 in respect of injuries resulting from an accident ; and

(*b*) any report submitted to A.D. Claims Command of an occurrence likely to give rise to a claim against the War Department.*

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2. Duty of the O.C. the unit

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(*a*) *All accidents except those occurring in Bomb Disposal units or those involving chemical, smoke or flame weapons or ammunition.*

The O.C. the unit will report the incident by telegram direct to :—

(i) the G.O.C.-in-C. of the command, or in the case of Home Guard units the sub-area or brigade commander ; and

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* *See* A.C.I.'s 1312 of 1940 and 1664 of 1943.

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(ii) the D.D.O.S. at command headquarters ; or to.
(iii) the D.D.O.S. corps in the case of field force units.

The O.C. will also complete and submit the requisite number of copies of the appropriate appendix of this pamphlet, when these are necessary, as directed by the D.D.O.S. (*see* **para. 3** (*b*) and (*e*)).

(*b*) *Bomb Disposal Units.*
As detailed in **para. 11** of this Section.

(*c*) *Accidents during training with chemical, smoke or flame weapons, or ammunition.*
As detailed in **Appendix 6** to this Pamphlet.

(*d*) *Accidents involving chemical, smoke or flame weapons or expedients occurring at times other than during training.*
These will be reported and dealt with under **paras. 2** (*a*), **3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9** and **10** of this Section except that the Appendix when submitted under **para. 2** (*a*), will be in the form detailed in **Appendix 6, para. 5.**

Page 10.
Delete lines 9 and 10.
Line 11. *Before* " The " *insert* " (*b*) ".
Below line 18 *insert* :—

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The C.I.O.O. will be responsible for notifying the War Office directorates concerned.

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Para. 5.
Sub-para. (*c*), line 2. *Delete* " and ".
Reletter sub-para. (*d*) as (*e*).
Insert new sub-para. :—

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(*d*) The sub-district commander in respect of any unit administered by a sub-district.

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Para. 6, line 1. *For* " **para. 2** (*a*) " *substitute* " **para. 5** ".

Pages 11 and 12.
Delete para. 11 and *substitute*—

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11. Bomb Disposal Units

In the case of accidents to bomb disposal personnel due to disposal, emptying, making safe or breaking down of either enemy, allied or British munitions, including mines and booby traps, the C.R.E. of the Bomb Disposal group or the O.C. of an ungrouped Bomb Disposal company will notify the occurrence by telegram to :—

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(*a*) The Director of Bomb Disposal, G.H.Q., Home Forces.
(*b*) The Chief Engineer, command headquarters.
(*c*) The D.D.O.S. at command headquarters.

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The Court of Inquiry will be convened as laid down in **para. 5.**

The D.B.D. will be informed of the date and place in advance in order that, if desired, he can arrange for a representative to be present.

One copy of the proceedings of the Court will be forwarded to each of the authorities mentioned in sub-paras. (*a*) and (*b*) above.

It will be the duty of the officer reporting the accident to nominate an officer to carry out a preliminary investigation equivalent to that detailed in **para. 3** above and to report to the D.B.D.

Add new Appendix 6 attached hereto.

By Command of the Army Council,

W. Bosanquet

THE WAR OFFICE,

9th April, 1945.

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April, 1945

APPENDIX 6

ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES DURING GAS AND SMOKE TRAINING

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1. Reports required.

Reports are required when accidents or injury occur during gas or smoke training if :—

(*a*) a medical officer considers the injuries may involve extended disability or hospital treatment, or

(*b*) complaints of injuries to civilians are received.

2. Immediate report by unit concerned.

The unit concerned will immediately send a telegram giving the following details to command headquarters for the information of D.D.M.S., G.(C.W.), and G.(Training).

(*a*) Name of unit.
(*b*) Date and place of incident.
(*c*) Civilians or other services involved.
(*d*) Weapon or training used with nature of contents.
(*e*) Number of casualties and brief statement of the nature and extent of injuries.
(*f*) Nature and location of hospital or centre where casualties, both service and civilian, have been sent.
(*g*) Proposed date and place of court of inquiry. This date will not be earlier than five clear days after despatch of the telegram.

The telegram will begin with a reference to this **Appendix.**

3. Notification of A.R.P. control.

If civilian casualties occur the unit concerned will inform the nearest A.R.P. control with a request that the emergency medical service be warned.

4. Action by command headquarters.

On receipt of the report in **para. 2,** command headquarters will immediately inform :— 28 47

(*a*) The War Office (M.T.3).
(*b*) G.H.Q. Home Forces (in the case of units in Home Forces) or H.Q. 21 Army Group (in the case of units in 21 Army Group).
(*c*) C.D.E.S. Porton.
(*d*) Training Officer, Anti-Gas, R.A.M.C. (Boyce Barracks), Aldershot.

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and will notify the unit by telegram if a command headquarter representative is to be sent to the court of inquiry.

5. Subsequent report by unit concerned.

As soon as possible after the despatch of the telegram the unit will forward a written report through the normal channels to G.H.Q. Home Forces or H.Q. 21 Army Group (in accordance with **para. 4** (*b*) above), with a copy to command headquarters for the information of D.D.M.S. and G. (C.W.).

This report will contain the following information :—

(*a*) Time and date of accident.
(*b*) Unit.
(*c*) Place.
(*d*) Nature of training.
(*e*) Weapon and/or training expedient used.
(*f*) Colour and marking.
(*g*) Details of how accident occurred.
(*h*) Number, rank and name of casualties.
(*i*) Nature and extent of injuries.
(*j*) Action taken after accident.
(*k*) Weather report. Rain or fine, estimated speed and direction of wind and temperature.
(*l*) Date and place of court of inquiry.
(*m*) Remarks of officer forwarding report.

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Subject:- Appreciation of ORD.

52, British Liaison Unit, (91)
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (91)
1st September 1945.

D.D.O.S.,
2 District,
C.M.F.

Reference your OS/139 dated 14th Aug, herewith appreciation of Ordnance for the month of August.

1. VOTE 7 & 8 - The position is quite satisfactory for all sections and demands are being met.

2. VOTE 9 - Position quite satisfactory with the exception of MT.Spares of which there is a very high percentage of non-availabilities.

3. ENGINE ASSEMBLIES.- During the first part of the month it was found necessary to collect these from Bologna,Piacenza, Genoa and Milan, this was extremely unsatisfactory in view of wastage of tyres and tubes which are in extreme short supply, the situation has since improved.

4. TYRES AND TUBES - The situation regarding these is very unsatisfactory especially in respect of size 10.50 x 16, deficiencies being Tyres 293 Tubes 249, the position in other sizes is also serious but as 10.50 x 16 affect the transport of the Gruppo, it is hoped that some action can be taken to improve the situation.

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Major.
(G.W.GORDON)
DADOS. 52 BLU.

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Admin Statement

HQ 7 A.G.R.A.
1278/1/OS
28 Aug 45

Distribution below.

1. Herewith Admin Statement No.1 showing list of units under admin O.O. HQ 7 A.G.R.A. as at 28 Aug 45.

2. Ord Dump 7 A.G.R.A. is located Turin, Map Ref J 015286

3. Please acknowledge receipt on appx below.

Capt
O.O. HQ 7 A.G.R.A.

TJW/wht

Distribution.

D.O.S. A.F.H.Q.	A.D.O.S. 55 (Army) Area
D.D.O.S. 1 District	D.A.D.O.S. 60 Sub Area
D.D.O.S. 2 District	D.A.D.O.S. 214 Sub Area
D.D.O.S. 3 District	D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U.
C.O.O. 557 B.O.D. (6)	D.A.D.O.S. 51 B.L.U.
C.O.O. 35 A.O.D. (6)	D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.
A.D.O.S. 15 Army Gp (B.S.)	D.A.D.O.S. 53 B.L.U.
A.D.O.S. 56 Area	D.A.D.O.S. 56 B.L.U.
A.D.O.S. 59 Area	O.O. 201 Sub Area 2845
A.D.O.S. 61 Area	O.C. 581 L of C S.C.U. (6)
A.D.O.S. 217 Area	5 O.B.D. (6)
A.D.O.S. R.A.A.C.	G.O.W.O. 7 A.G.R.A.

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ADMIN STATEMENT No.1
O.O. HQ 7 A G R A

1278/1/OS
28 Aug 45

HQs

HQ 7 A.G.R.A.
HQ AMG Piemonte Region

RA

17 Med Regt
76 Med Regt
80 (SH) Med Regt
178 Med Regt
CBO Staff 3 Corps
(Welfare 7 AGRA)
95 (SY) Med. Regt

RE

269 Wks Sec E
~~551 Army Tps Coy~~
159 Rly Constr Coy
61 Tunnelling Coy SAEC
62 Tunnelling Coy SAEC
Det 1 Rly & Harbour Comp Op Coy

Sigs

7 AGRA Sigs

ST

250 Petrol Depot
~~Sec 202 Pet~~
'C'Pl 60 LAC
Det 12 Fd Bky
~~765 GT Coy~~
Det 514 GT Coy
LG DID
1 Pl 715 Coy RASC (GT)
RED

58 (Br) Gen Hosp
Det 14 Fd San Sec
52 Fd Dental Centre

PRO

227 Pro Coy
Det 64 SIS
Det 10 Coy (TC)

INT

37 FSS
315 FSS
Det ASC

DAB

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AMG

AMG Turin Province
AMG Aostia Province
AMG Asti Province
AMG Cuneo Province
AMG Vercelli Province
AMG Alessandria Province
AMG Novara Province

MISC

403 Town Major
241 Town Major
96 Claims & Hirings
Det 27 L of C Postal Unit
Offrs Transit Hotel Turin
Sec 52 BIS
'C' Displaced Persons Ass Centre
'P' Feeding Halt
7 AGRA Transit Camp
9204 F P Sub Sec
7 AGRA School & Tech Centre

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~~175 Med Regt~~
CEO Staff 3 Corps
(Welfare 7 AGRA)
95 (SY) Med. Regt
RE

269 Wks Sec RE
~~551 Army Tpc Coy~~
159 Rly Constr Coy
61 Tunnelling Coy SAEC
62 Tunnelling Coy SAEC
Det 1 Rly & Harbour Comp Op Coy

Sigs

7 AGRA Sigs

ST

250 Petrol Depot
~~Sec 203 Pet~~
'C'Fl 60 MAC
Det 12 Fd Bky
~~265 GT Coy~~
Det 514 GT Coy
69 DID
1 Pl 715 Coy RASC (GT)
MED

58 (Br) Gen Hosp
Det 14 Fd San Sec
82 Fd Dental Centre
5 AMCU
46 FAC
172 Hosp. Dental Unit
REME

624 L of C Wkshps
LAD 17 Med Regt
LAD 75 Med Regt
LAD 80 Med Regt
LAD 178 Med Regt
~~67 Fd Rec Sec~~
677 Lt. Rec. Sec.
240 75 (SY) Med. Regt

LAB

2918 CLU

AMG

AMG Turin Province
AMG Aostia Province
AMG Asti Province
AMG Cuneo Province
AMG Vercelli Province
AMG Alessandria Province
AMG Novara Province

MISC

403 Town Major
241 Town Major
96 Claims & Hirings
Det 27 L of C Pro[illegible]
Offrs Transit Hotel, Turin
Sec 52 PIS
'G' Displaced Persons Ass Centre
'E' Feeding Halt
7 AGRA Transit Camp
9204 F P Sub Sec
7 AGRA School & Tech Centre

ITALIAN UNITS

1 Coy 503 Iti Gds Bn
470 Iti Fd Hosp
'F' Centre Iti Inter CSDIC
231 Div (Iti)
1 Italian MAC
13 Iti Engr Coy

ORS
6 Amn. Rd. Sub Sec.
3 Ord. Mark Coy

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Subject:- Role of 5 O.B.D. (Hq.and Stores Sec.)

(89)

52, British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4 (89)
16th August 1945.

UFFICIO COMMISSARIATO.

1. The present role of 5 O.B.D. (Hq.& Stores Sec.) is defined as follows:-

(a) Ord Railhead and R.S.D. for all Areas and formations under command 2 District.
(b) Holding unit for District reserved stores.

2. Owing to shortage of personnel and storage accommodation it is essential that prompt collection is arranged when notified by 5 O.B.D. that stores are awaiting collection. Unless this is done, it may be necessary for such stores to be issued elsewhere.

3. 5 O.B.D. (HQ.& Stores Sec.) are under Op.Comd.2 Dist. Adm.Comd.5§ Area.

W.P.J.

Capt.

(W.P.J.SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S.52 BLU.

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Subject: Role of 5 OBD (HQ & Stores Sec)

ADQT 6 (SA) Arm d Div
ADOS 59 Area
DADOS 60 Sub Area
OO 7 AGRA
DADOS 51 BLU
DADOS 52 BLU
DADOS 56 BLU

HQ No 2 District CMF

Tel Ext: 113

ORD/8016

14 Aug 45

1. The present role of 5 OBD (HQ & Stores Sec) is defined as follows :-

(a) Ord Railhead and RSD for all Areas and Fmns under command this HQ,

(b) Holding unit for District reserved stores.

2. Owing to shortage of personnel and storage accn, it is essential that Areas and Fmns arrange prompt collection when notified by 5 OBD that stores are awaiting their collection. Unless this is done, it may be necessary to issue such stores elsewhere.

3. 5 OBD (HQ & Stores Sec) are under Op Comd this HQ, Adm Comd 59 Area.

For Commissariat
Know - for info.
(Wrote from this office)

Lt Col,
(JW CARR)
for Col, DDOS.

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Subject: G.R.O'S.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.
ORD/4(87)
16th. August. 1945.

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D.A.A.& Q.M.G.
52 B.L.U.

1. May application please be made for an additional copy of G.R.O'S, for the specific use of this office.

(Capt.)
(W.P.J. Smith.)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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DADOS 60 SUB AREA 007 AGRA DADOS 51 BLU
DADOS 52 BLU DADOS 56 BLU

TO (W) For Information (INFO)

Office, Date, Stamp: [illegible] BLU [illegible] 15 AUG

Message Instructions: AAX

CR: 20

Originator's No. 05/139 Restricted Octn appreciation covering all matters of ord concern during the month of August as required from you by 2 Sept

C/. AAX

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HQ No 2 District, CMF.

1100/41

10 Aug 45.

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AMENDMENT No 1 TO NO 2 DIST ADM INSTR
NO 31 DATED 4 AUG 45.

APPX 'B'

Against "Suez" in column headed '6 SA Armd Div':-

Delete "Drawn in from bulk from 93 DID MILAN".

Substitute "Wef 15 Aug, drawn in unit detail from 93 DID MILAN and Sec 203 DID TURIN ".

Colonel,
DA & QMG.

DISTRIBUTION:

As for Adm Instr No 31.

13 AUG 1945

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Subject: Ord Transit Centre GENOA

HQ No 2 District CMF

Tel Ext: 113

ORD/1052

10 Aug 45

OC 42 EMSS

1. As no further Ord Stores will be received by sea at GENOA, the Ord Transit Centre will close down as soon as the Stores now held there can be disposed of.

2. Attached at Appendix 'A' are disposal instructions for the Vote 8 Stores.

3. All Stores for LEDLOC, 19 Veh Park, ADOS 59 Area and 206 Mob Laundry will be consigned c/o 5 CBD Aeroporto, MILAN, by rail.

4. Stores for 6 (SA) Armd Div will be collected by the Division on receipt of a signal from you.

Likewise Stores for 7 AGRA.

5. All remaining Vote 8 Stores will be backloaded to RSD 557 BOD.

6. Disposal instructions follow for Vote 9 Stores.

Lt Col,
(JW CARR)
for Col, DDOS.

/MLS.

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ADQT 6 (SA) Armd Div
ADOS 59 Area
DADOS 60 Sub Area
" 51 BLU
" 52 BLU
" 56 BLU
HQ 7 AGRA
OC 19 Veh Park
OC 206 Mob Laundry Unit
OC 5 CBD MILAN
COO 557 BOD (3)

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Appendix 'A' to ORD/1052
dated 10 Aug 45

DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTE 8 STORES HELD AT
2 DISTRICT ORD TRANSIT CENTRE, GENOA

Part No	Designation	ISSUE TO (MELLOC) 5 OBD	6(SA) ArmdDiv	19 Veh Park	59 Area Dump	60 Sub Area	206 Mob Ldry	7 AGRA	Back-load to 557 BOD
	SECTION G1								
	Nails Iron Wire 1½ in	224 lbs							
0622	" " " 1¾ in	224 "							
0626	" " " 3 in	448 "							
0627	" " " 4 in	1008 "							
	SECTION H1								
0148	Oil Mineral Hy. H80		11 drums	10 drums					
0362	Soap Yellow				8800 lbs	8000 lbs			
0366	Soda Ash						6944 lbs		
NIV	Electrolyte 1250 SG				16 galls	12 galls		12 galls	
0555	Soap Ldy Flakes						4424 lbs		
	Calcium Carbide	375 drums (2 Dist controlled)							
	SECTION J1								
5061	Chairs FF							50	
5565	Forms GS							560	
5566	Tables GS							336	
1501	Tents Bivuoac MP								40 (less poles)
NIV	Tents 180 lbs complete	60 (2 Dist Pool)							
	SECTION J2								
7280	Cookers Field No 4								10
1381	Stoves Soyer				10			10	
7101	Cookers Port No 1 Type E				3	3		3	
6767	Cookers Port No 2 Pots bodies							26	
6768	Cookers Port No 2 Pots Lids							26	
0281	Cookers Port Stoves								19
	SECTION K8								

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	SECTION KB										
0375	Bedsteads Folding								50		
	Mattresses Secs								16		
	Beds Fracture										
	SECTION KC										
8282	Mattresses Hospital					50				100	
5025	Stretchers Amb									200	
	" " Pillow										
	TIMBER										
	1 inch		11 tons								
	3 inch		19 tons								
	Scantlings		37 tons								
	TENTAGE										
	ex 64 Gen Hosp									146 tons	

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HQ No 2 District, CMF.

1100/Q1 4 Aug 45.

Copy No. 20

NO 2 DISTRICT
ADM INSTR NO 31.

(Issued in conjunction with No 2 Dist Op Inst No 26 dated 4 Aug 45)

OBJECT

1. The object of this instr is to state the policy and org for maint of the forces under adm cond of No 2 Dist, as from 1200 hrs 10 Aug 45.

ADM RESPONSIBILITIES

2. No 2 Dist Op Instr No 26 sets out the areas of adm responsibility of 59 Area, 7 AGRA and 60 Sub Area respectively as at 10 Aug 45. No reference is being made in this adm instr to 66 AA Bde which is to come under cond No 3 Dist wef 20 Aug 45.

MAINT - GEN.

3. Wef 3 Sep 45 no further Brit mil maint tonnages (excl coal, bulk POL and frozen meat) will be shipped into NW ITALY through the port of GENOA. From this date maint of tps under cond No 2 Dist, excl the items mentioned above, will be effected by rail.

4. Stocks held in 42 BSD and 58 BSD will be eaten down as soon as possible after 2 Sep under the arrangements of ST and EFI at this HQ respectively. These depS will then be closed and will not reopen in No 2 Dist.

RES AND MAINT STOCKS

5. No res or maint stocks of sups, POL, ammn or EFI sups will be held specifically under Dist control.

6. 59 Area, 7 AGRA and 60 Sub-Area will arrange the holding and maint stocks as shown at Appx 'A'. Detailed breakdowns of stocks to be held will, where appropriate, be fixed through service channels. Arrangements will be made by Ord this HQ for the issue of ammn necessary to bring fmn and unit holdings up to the required quantities.

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REPLENISHMENT OF DEPS

7. During the process of eating down the stocks in 42 BSD ST this HQ will arrange to replenish stocks in DIDs from this BSD. Subsequently, sups will be railed by mcl train direct to DIDs from base depS.

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REPLENISHMENT OF DEPS

7. During the process of eating down the stocks in 42 BSD ST this HQ will arrange to replenish stocks in DIDs from this BSD. Subsequently, sups will be railed by pack train direct to DIDs from base deps. Similar arrangements will be effective in the case of EFI sups prior to and subsequent to the closing down of 58 BCD.

8. Bulk MT 80, derv and kero will be railed from the GHQ installations at GENOA and NAPLES for the replenishment of stocks in pet deps. These deps will be responsible for maintaining their packed stocks of these items at the target figures; quantities which they are unable to pack locally will be railed, already packed, from the GHQ installations. Packed lubs will be railed to pet deps from base deps in South ITALY.

To Sheet 2./.....

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9. Ord stores will be railed from base deps to 5 CBD MILAN and will be distributed from there to fmns under the arrangements of Ord this HQ, as at present.

10. There is no ammo dep within the Dist and it is this fact which necessitates the holding of 2nd Line, and possibly certain maint stocks, by units. Applications for the replenishment of authorised ammo holdings will be submitted as necessary through the usual channels to Q at this HQ.

11. All bids for rail mov, other than mov entirely within the Dist, will be submitted weekly by services to Q at this HQ, giving tonnages and destinations. Detailed instrs on this are being issued to services concerned.

MAINT OF SPECIFIC FMNS

12. The current arrangements for the maint of certain fmns directly under adm cond of this HQ are shown at Appx 'B'. These arrangements will continue until further notice.

MAINT OF ITALIAN FORCES

13. It is the intention that the Italian armed forces should eventually assume responsibility for their own maint. The present posn is as follows:-

(a) Wef 6 Aug 45 all Italian Armed Forces will draw sups from Italian deps. No issues will be made from Brit deps without specific prior authority from Q at this HQ.

(b) BR-ITI tps draw POL from Brit deps. RM-ITI tps draw POL through CIP, as instructed by the appropriate Italian Territorial Comd.

(c) BR-ITI combat tps only are authorised to draw ord stores and ammo through Brit channels. Ammo is not however issuable from Brit sources to units of 1 Italian Gd Regt for the Italian weapons which they hold.

(d) The issue of RFI sups on a limited scale, at present authorised for BR-ITI combat tps only, will cease wef 1 Sep 45.

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HOLDINGS OF RSS AND MAINT STOCKS.

Commodity.	By Whom Held.	Where Held.	Stocks to be Held.	R
Sups	59 area	DID MILAN	7 days res and 7 days maint stocks for actual feeding str being maint from the dep.	Estimated maxi
	7 AGRA	DID TURIN		"
	60 Sub Area	DID GENOA		"
	60 Sub Area	DID PIACENZA		"
Packed POL	59 Area	Pet Dep MILAN	7 days maint stocks of all products at an average days consumption plus an additional 23 days lubs.	Until further an average da consumption w taken as: -
	7 AGR.	Pet Dep TURIN		
	60 Sub Area	Pet Dep GENOA		
	60 Sub Area	Pet Dep PIACENZA		

In addition to the above holdings of packed POL, the pet deps in MILAN, TURIN and G continue to hold bulk POL up to the present capacities of the installations.

Amn	6 SA Armd Div	In DID and with units	1st and 2nd line.	(a) In the ca already m natures w
	LECNANO Gruppo	In GID and with units		
	CREMONA Gruppo	In GID and with units		
	MANTOVA Gruppo	In GID and with units		
	7 AGRA	With units		(b) 7 days ma may also further i
	All other internal security tps.	With units		
EFI	59 Area	BIS MILAN	7 days res and 7 days maint stocks for actual strs drawing EFI sups from the dep.	
	7 AGRA	BIS TURIN		
	60 Sub Area	BIS GENOA		

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HOLDINGS OF RES AND MAINT STOCKS.

Where Held.	Stocks to be Held.	Remarks.
DID MILAN	7 days res and 7 days maint stocks for actual feeding str being maint from the dep.	Estimated maximum feeding str - 40,000
DID TURIN		" " " " - 15,000
DID GENOA		" " " " - 15,000
DID PIACENZA		" " " " - 3,000
Pet Dep MILAN	7 days maint stocks of all products at an average days consumption plus an additional 23 days lubs.	Until further notice an average days consumption will be taken as: - MILAN - 50,000 gals; TURIN - 20,000 gals; GENOA - 25,000 gals; PIACENZA - 7,000 gals
Pet Dep TURIN		
Pet Dep GENOA		
Pet Dep PIACENZA		

the above holdings of packed POL, the pet deps in MILAN, TURIN and GENOA will old bulk POL up to the present capacities of the installations.

In DAL and with units In GAL and with units In GMA and with units In GAA and with units With units With units	1st and 2nd line.

(a) In the case of 6 SA Armd Div arrangements already made in respect of certain natures will remain in force.

(b) 7 days maint stocks of certain natures may also require to be held, on which further instrs are to be issued.

BIS MILAN BIS TURIN BIS GENOA	7 days res and 7 days maint stocks for actual strs drawing ETI sups from the dep.

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APEX 'B' TO HQ NO 2 DIST ADM I

MAINTENANCE OF SPECIFIC ITEMS.

Commodity	6 SA Armd Div	LEGNANO Gruppo	CREMONA Gruppo
Sups	~~Drawn in from depots from 93 DID MILAN.~~ X WILL BE DRAWN IN UNIT DETAIL FROM 93 D.I.D. MILAN AND SEC 203 DID. TURIN	Drawn from Italian deps.	Drawn from Italian deps.
POL	12/13 Si Mot Bde - from Pet Dep TURIN. Div tps - from Pet Dep MILAN.	From Pet Dep MILAN. (maximum permissible issues daily - 7500 gals all products).	22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep MILAN. Gruppo less 22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep GENOA. (maximum permissible issues daily:- MILAN - 1000 gals all pro GENOA - 4000 gals all pro
Ord Stores	From 5 OBD MILAN.	From 5 OBD MILAN.	From 5 OBD MILAN.
EFI Sups	Partly from 49 BIS MILAN) Partly from 52 BIS TURIN)	From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)	From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)

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APPX 'B' TO HQ NO 2 DIST ADM DISTR NO 31 DATED 4 AUG 45.

MAIN OF SPECIFIC LINES.

d Div	LEGNANO Gruppo	CREMONA Gruppo	MANTOVA Gruppo
~~from bulk from MILAN.~~ AMN IN UNIT DETAIL C. MILAN AND SEC 203 DID. TURIN Mot Bde - from Dep TURIN. - from Pet Dep .	Drawn from Italian deps. From Pet Dep MILAN. (maximum permissible issues daily - 7500 gals all products).	Drawn from Italian deps. 22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep MILAN. Gruppo less 22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep GENOA. (maximum permissible issues daily:- MILAN - 1000 gals all products GENOA - 4000 gals all products).	Drawn from Italian deps. 114 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep MILA 155 Arty Regt - from Pet Dep PL Gruppo less 114 Regt and 155 Art Regt - from Pet Dep GENOA. (maximum permissible issues dail MILAN - 1500 gals all prod PIACENZA - 1000 gals all pro GENOA - 2500 gals all pro
OBD MILAN.	From 5 OBD MILAN.	From 5 OBD MILAN.	114 Inf Regt - through LEGNANO Gruppo less 114 Inf Regt - from OBD MILAN.
from 49 BIS MILAN) from 52 BIS TURIN)	From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)	From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)	114 Inf Regt - through LEGNANO (until 31 Aug only). Gruppo less 114 Inf Regt - from BIS GENOA. (until 31 Aug only).

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APEX 'B' TO HQ NO 2 DIST ATM LISTR NO 31 DATED 14 AUG 45.

MILITARY SPECIFICS ITEMS.

LEGNANO Gruppo	CREMONA Gruppo	MANTOVA Gruppo
Drawn from Italian deps.	Drawn from Italian deps.	Drawn from Italian deps.
From Pet Dep MILAN. (Maximum permissible issues daily - 7500 gals all products).	22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep MILAN. Gruppo less 22 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep GENOA. (maximum permissible issues daily:- MILAN - 1000 gals all products GENOA - 4000 gals all products).	114 Inf Regt - from Pet Dep MILAN. 155 Arty Regt - from Pet Dep PIACENZA Gruppo less 114 Regt and 155 Arty Regt - from Pet Dep GENOA. (maximum permissible issues daily: - MILAN - 1500 gals all products PIACENZA - 1000 gals all products GENOA - 2500 gals all products)
From 5 OBD MILAN.	From 5 OBD MILAN.	114 Inf Regt - through LEGNANO Gruppo Gruppo less 114 Inf Regt - from 5 OBD MILAN.
From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)	From 49 BIS MILAN. (until 31 Aug only)	114 Inf Regt - through LEGNANO Gruppo (until 31 Aug only). Gruppo less 114 Inf Regt - from 40 BIS GENOA. (until 31 Aug only).

SUBJECT: Channels of Communication

HQ No District CMF
Tel Ext: 61
ORD/5037
24 Jul 45

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ADQT 6 (SA) Armd Div
ADOS 59 Area
DADOS 50 Sub Area
DADOS 215 Sub Area
DADOS 51 HDU
DADOS 52 HDU
CC 151 Sub Area
CO 66 AA Bde

The appended copy of DOS/63 dated 22 Jul 45 is forwarded to you for information and necessary action. Your particular attention is drawn to para 3.

/AS

Col, DDOS

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
OBDIANCE (BRITISH)

Subject: Channels of Communication

Ref: DOS/63

Ref: FREEDOM 495

Date: 22 July 45

To: DDOS 8 Army
DDOS 1 District
DDOS 2 District
DDOS 3 District
DDOS L of C

1. In view of the extent to which the staff of this directorate is being reduced, and will be reduced further in the future, it is important to ensure that work which has been accepted here in the past, but which is not properly a direct responsibility of this directorate, be channelled through the proper authority.

2. An instance of this is an increasing tendency on the part of A.D. O.S. to ring this office when an urgent issue is required. The correct procedure is to communicate with the issuing depot unless some special authority is required which can only be given by this directorate. Further instances are minor matters of policy, referred here by A.D's.O.S. instead of to their D.D's.O.S.

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Col, DOS

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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3. Will you please notify all concerned that where they are in doubt on any practical point of ordnance services they will, unless specifically instructed otherwise, refer to the appropriate A.D.O.S. or D.D.O.S. in the first instance.

E 2833

(Sgd) (A.I. NIXON, Brigadier, DOS)
for Maj-Gen
DOS

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SECRET

Subject: Italian Army - Chain of Command.

CAD/4

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
27 July 45.

G/26/17

To: HQ LEGNANO Gruppo.
A/Q.
Coup Comd (+ Appx 'B' only).

Infm: Ordnance.
RNAF.

1. Attached, for information and necessary action, are :-

Appx 'A' - HQ 2 District letter 2015/G(O) dated 28 May 45.
Appx 'B' - Table showing with whom Italian formations and units and MLOs should deal, based on the chain of command as at 23 July 45.

2. 231 Italian Adm Div is now located at LODATO F2557 and will be moving to MILAN shortly. This fmn deals mainly with 'A' matters for BN-ITI tps (incl combat tps). It deals through the local Territorial HQ with the Ministry of War.

DEL/MS

for Lieut-Col.
GS.

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Appx 'A'

Subject: Italian Army Org. SECRET.

Comd Post 2 District GEF

2015 C(O)

28 May 45.

INTRODUCTION.

1. A static Italian Army Org has now been est in Italy.

OBJECT.

2. The object of this org is primarily to

(a) enable control of personnel and property to be reassumed as soon as possible
(b) implement the call-up and demob of classes as required.

GENERAL.

3. For the purpose of this org Italy is divided into eleven Territorial Regions and ninety nine Districts. In addition ninety Regtl Depots are being est. A Territorial Region is a Lieut-Generals comd and a District a Colonel's comd. A Regtl Depot is comd by a Colonel or Lieut-Colonel.

ORG IN 2 DISTRICT.

4. The lay-out of static Italian HQ affecting 2 District is as follows :-

Regional HQ	District HQ
MILAN (Comandante Territoriale) (General MARRAS)	VARESE
	COMO
	SONDRIO
	MONZA
	BERGAMO
	BRESCIA
	MILAN
	TREVIGLIO
	PAVIA
	LODI
	CREMONA
	MANTOVA
TURIN	

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(b) implement the call-up and demob of classes as required.

GENERAL.

3. For the purpose of this org Italy is divided into eleven Territorial Regions and ninety nine Districts. In addition ninety Regtl Depots are being est. A Territorial Region is a Lieut-Generals Comd and a District a Colonel's comd. A Regtl Depot is comd by a Colonel or Lieut-Colonel.

ORG IN 2 DISTRICT.

4. The lay-out of static Italian HQ affecting 2 District is as follows :-

Regional HQ	District HQ
MILAN (Commandante Territoriale) (General MARRAS)	VARESE COMO SONDRIO MONZA BERGAMO BRESCIA MILAN TRENTIGLIO PAVIA LODI CREMONA MANTOVA
TURIN (Commandante Territoriale) (General EREALDO DI FRALGRO)	IVREA VERCELLI NOVARA TURIN CHIVASSO CASALE PINEROLO ALESSANDRIA TORTONA
GENOA (Commandante Territoriale) General PIATTINI)	CUNEO MONDOVI SAVONA GENOA
BOLOGNA (Commandante Territoriale) (General GERIGA)	PIACENZA PARMA

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FLORENCE
(Commandante Territoriale)
(General DE SIMONE)

APUANIA
LUCCA
PISA
PISTOIA
FIRENZE
SIENA
GROSSETO

Regtl Depots will be located within Regions as follows :-

Regional HQ	Numbers of Depots in Region			
	Inf	Cav	Arty	Engrs
MILAN	3	-	2	1
TURIN	3	1	4	2
GENOA	2	-	2	-

FUNCTIONS.

5. (a) The functions of Territorial and District HQ and Regtl Depots are set out at Appx 'A'.

(b) The function of the Italian Adm Divs remain the same. 254 Adm Div now under comd FIFTH Army will eventually pass to comd of 2 District.

(c) Italian Combat Gps deal with the appropriate Allied HQ on 'G' and 'Q' matters. On 'A' matters they deal with the appropriate Territorial HQ.

LIAISON.

6. (a) An offr of MMLA is att to HQ 2 District. The duties of this offr are:

(i) To represent MMLA in the territory under 2 District.

(ii) To supervise and control all LTI-ITI activities in Territorial Regions.

(iii) To supervise and control all MR-ITI activities which are the responsibilities of the adm div.

(iv) To act as the liaison link between HQ 2 District and MMLA, but NOT to replace normal ~~channel~~ staff channels.

(v) To act as the liaison link between HQ 2 District and Territorial HQ. In this case the MMLA offr is also the normal staff channel for dealing with Territorial HQ.

(b) Orders have been issued by MMLA for one Major or Capt LO from each of the three Regional HQ in 2 District to be att to the Area/Sub-Area HQ at MILAN, TURIN and GENOA. 57 and 59 Areas, and 151 Sub Area will report whether these offrs have presented

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(signed) - - MONTAUNT

Lieut-Col.
GS.

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COPY

Appx 'A' to HQ 2 District (CE)
letter 2015 G(O) dated 28 May 45.

FUNCTIONS OF TERRITORIAL HQ, DISTRICTS & DEPOTS.

1. Territorial HQ.

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(e) Org and dp of Districts, Depots, hosps and other mil ests.
(f) Supervision and org of call-up and demob.
(g) Adm and discipline of Italian BS Tps.

2. Districts constitute the mil documentation and adm centres through which the citizen enters or leaves the Army. Essential functions are :-

(a) Machinery of conscription and calling-up of classes.
(b) Demob and recall of reserves.
(c) Assistance to families of men killed, wounded or taken prisoner.
(d) Payments of allowances to dependents of offrs and ORs.
(e) Records of junior reserve offrs.
(f) Settlement of claims and complaints for NCOs and ORs.

3. Depots (Record Centres) are the homes and record centres of Italian regts. Their function incl :-

(a) Soldier's record while he is in the army.
(b) Clothing and arming the soldier when he is first called up: vice versa on demob.
(c) Forming personnel into units when required, incl units for Allies.
(d) Records of all arms and eqpt issued to units.
(e) Holding stocks of clothing, unit and personal eqpt etc.
(f) Regtl adm and records.

NOTE: Functions at 3(b) and (c) are being performed by the Allies under present circumstances. The clothing referred to in serial 3(c) is known as ITI clothing.

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Table showing with whom Italian Fmns and Units and ELOs should deal, based on the chain of c

Fmn or UNIT	G(Ops)	G(SD1) Moves, Orders of Battle etc	G(SD2) Cert stores vehs etc.	A & MS	Q1 Maint	Q2 Apon
CREMONA GRUPPO	6 SA A Div	6 SA A Div	G(SD2) 2 Dist	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	151 Sub A
51 ELO	"	"	"	151 Sub Area	151 Sub Area	151 Sub A
LEGNANO GRUPPO	59 Area	59 Area	"	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	59 Area
52 ELO	"	"	"	59 Area	59 Area	59 Area
MANTOVA GRUPPO	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	"	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	60 Sub Ar
56 ELO	"	"	"	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Ar
114 Inf Regt MANTOVA	LEGNANO Gp	LEGNANO Gp	MANTOVA Gp	MANTOVA Gp	LEGNANO Gp	LEGNANO G
155 Arty Regt "	215 Sub Area	215 Sub Area	MANTOVA Gp	"	MANTOVA Gp	215 Sub A
1 Itl Cd Regt	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	231 Adm Div	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Ar
502 Itl Cd Bn	59 Area	59 Area	59 Area	1 Itl Cd Regt	59 Area	59 Area

NOTES:

1. Where an Itilian Fmn is shown as dealing with a British HQ it will in the case of Gruppi
2. Reference to ELOs in above table refer to the domestic problems of the ELOs, and NOT to
   the Gruppo concerned.

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Which Italian Fmns and Units and BLUs should deal, based on the chain of cond as at 23 July 45.

om)	G(SD1) Moves, Orders of Battle etc	G(SD2) Cont stores vehs etc.	A & MS	Q1 Maint	Q2 Accn	Remarks
A Div	6 SA A Div	G(SD2) 2 Dist	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	151 Sub Area	
"	"	"	151 Sub Area	151 Sub Area	151 Sub Area	
rea	59 Area	"	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	59 Area	
"	"	"	59 Area	59 Area	59 Area	
b Area	60 Sub Area	"	231 Adm Div	Q1 2 Dist	60 Sub Area	
"	"	"	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	
UO Gp	LEGNANO Gp	MANTOVA Gp	MANTOVA Gp	LEGNANO Gp	LEGNANO Gp	
ub Area	215 Sub Area	MANTOVA Gp	"	MANTOVA Gp	215 Sub Area	
b Area	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	231 Adm Div	60 Sub Area	60 Sub Area	
ea	59 Area	59 Area	1 Itl Gd Regt	59 Area	59 Area	

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s in above table refer to the domestic problems of the BLUs, and NOT to BLUs when representing the HQ of med.

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SUBJECT:- Command

52 British Liaison Unit
C.F.
23 July 45

To:- HQ Legnano
Gruppo di Combattimento

6/44/168

Under authority of HQ 89 Area letter G 33 dated 21 July 45, 114 Inf Regt MANTOVA Gruppo comes under comd of LEGNANO Gruppo wef 1800 hrs 21 Jul 45.

Lieut-Col.
G.S.

APL/TN.

Copies to;- A/Q
Sigs
ST
Med
RA
RE
Ord
RIS-DE
421 FS Sec
Sgt Ribolla

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23 JUL 1945

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Subject: Issues to Ital n Combat Groups.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4(79)
18 July 1945.

D.A.D.O.S.,
60 Sub Area,
C.M.F.

78.

Reference your OS/1 of 16 July 45.

1. Herewith as requested, copy of letter AFHQ/6017/Q(AE) dated 17 Sept 44.

Capt.

(W.P.J. SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

/LED.

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ARMY FORM C°136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 10

Call: NEMH | Srl. No.: KV 1505 | Priority: HAAZ | Transmission Instructions:

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (Originator): 60 SUB AREA

Date-Time of Origin: 16 NFT

Office Date Stamp: A?

For Action: DADOS 52 BLU

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions: QQX

Cl: R2

Originator's No.: O&I O RESTRICTED O. For GORDON G. MANSON Lt Col AGD O Recruit Interviewer Col 9 Cpl Cletus A. HAGGARD 19 (AE) 20 Dec 17 Sept 44 9 Cpl Haggard to ETO as Combat Correspondent

Agreed Bff

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT { EXCEPT } AS WRITTEN WIRELESS BY ANY MEANS

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS: DEGREE OF PRIORITY

Time: THI or TOR 1315

Time Phoned

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Sig

SIGNED 16 JUL 1945

SIGNED

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Ad/4 CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Operational Command.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
16 July 45.

G/44/164

HQ LEGNANO Gruppo.

1. The following is copy of HQ 2 District signal GO/3452 dated 14 July 45, for information.

From: DISTWO
To: 6 SA Armd Div. 59 Area. 1417063

GO/3452 . Confidential. One. Within bdys in para two below 114 Regt MANTOVA Gruppo will relieve SA Arty units and elts of 11 SA Armd Bde. 114 Regt will take over all rd blocks and as many guard duties as possible. This relief will be the responsibility of 6 SA Armd Div. Two. Bdys as follows. West Bdy. West Bdy of LOMBARDIA from Swiss border at D9357 southwards. East Bdy. Swiss frontier at E2540 eastwards to west bank of Lake COMO.- thence following centreof Lake COMO to excl LECCO - east bank of Lake GARDATE TO M4402. Thence west bdy BERGAMO province to autostrada at K5576. Three. On completion of relief (a) 114 Regt will pass to under comd LEGNANO Gruppo. (b) 6 SA Armd Div will report details of gd duties NOT taken over by 114 Regt. (c) 11 SA Armd Bde remains comd MONZA Area. (d) 6 SA Armd Div Arty will come in area LEGNANO NO479 BUSTO ARSIZIO J9982 GALLARATE J9687

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2. The following is copy of HQ 2 District signal GO/3449 dated 14 July 45, for information and necessary action.

From: DISTWO.
To: LEGNANO Gruppo. 52 BLU.
Infm: 59 Area 4 US Corps 1412308

GO/3449. Restricted. 3 Fd Park Coy LEGNANO Gruppo is placed under CE Road Chief Engineer 2 District wef 150900 for work at Savoia Bks MILAN. Unit remains under adm comd LEGNANO Gruppo

Muchach Maj
Lieut-Col.

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From: DISTRO
To: 6 SA Armd Div. 39 Area.

1417063

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for Lieut-Col.
GS.

WES/MS

Copy to: A/C. BAG BERGAMO.
Gru. 424 FS Section.
RMSS. Sgt RIBOLLA (att LEGNANO HQ)

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Subject: Administration.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4(76)
16 July 1945.

Ufficio Commissariato.

1. Herewith copy of signal QS 333 of 13 July 1945 from 'Q' No. 2 District, for information and action as necessary:-

CONFIDENTIAL (.) MY GO/3430 OF 8 PARA 2 (.) ON ARRIVAL THIS DIST INF REGT MANTOVA GRUPPO UNDER COMD LEGNANO GRUPPO WILL BE MAINTAINED AS FOLLOWS (.) SUPS WILL BE DRAWN IN BULK BY LEGNANO GRUPPO FROM MILAN AND REGT WILL DRAW FROM GMA AT TREVIGLIO K 5768 (.) POL WILL BE DRAWN UP TO MAX 1500 HRS PER DAY (.) ORD STORES THROUGH LEGNANO GRUPPO (.) EFIs supS FOR JULY WILL BE DRAWN THROUGH MANTOVA GRUPPO AND THEREAFTER THROUGH LEGNANO GRUPPO (.)

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Copy to Commissariato
G. di C. MANTOVA.

W.P.J. Smith Capt.
(W.P.J. SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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COPY OF MESSAGE CM/335 of 13 Jul 45

FROM: Q ZIGTHO

TO: 59 Area 52 ZEM 56 SEA 151108

60 Sub Area

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0220/4.

QX 535 (.) CONFIDENTIAL (.) MY GO/5430 of 8 June 2 (.) on arrival this dist inf regt MANTOVA Gruppo under cond LEGNANO Gruppo will be maint as follows (.) supa will be drawn in bulk by LEGNANO Gruppo from MILAN and regt will draw from CMA at TRENTOLIO ~~fack~~ K 5768 (.) POL will be drawn by regt from 297 Pet Depot MILAN up to max 1500 hrs per day (.米 ord stores through LEGNANO Gruppo (米) MT supa for JULY will be drawn through MANTOVA Gruppo and thereafter through LEGNANO Gruppo

DADOS

Wolf 1147

Commissario to know.

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Adv/t.

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Operational Command.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
14 July 45.

G/Ad/161

HQ LEGNANO Group.

Under authority of HQ 2 District signal MD1/1527 of 13 July, LEGNANO Combat Group passes to under command HQ 69 Area west midnight 15/16 July 45.

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for Lieut-Col.
GS.

TF/MS

Copy to: A/Q. 624 FS Sec.
Ord. HQ LEGNANO.
RME. Sjt RICCIA (att LEGNANO FS Sec).

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SECRET.

Subject: Operational Command.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
10 July 45.

G/44/151.

HQ LEGNANO Gruppo.	ST.
RA.	Med.
RE.	Ord.
Sigs.	RAOC.
A/Q.	Corp Cond.

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1. This HQ letter G/44/145 dated 5 July 45 is cancelled.

2. Below is copy of HQ 2 District signal GO/3430 dated 8 July 45, for information and necessary action.

Ltr/S.

for Lieut-Col.
GS.

Copy to: 421 FS Section.
AMG, BERGAMO.
S/t RIBOLLA, (att LEGNANO FS Sec).

COPY.

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From: DISTWO.
To (Action): (1) 59 Area (2) 60 Sub Area (3) 151 Sub Area (4) 215 Sub Area (5) 6 SA Armd Div (6) 51 BLU (7) 52 BLU.
Info: (8) 5 Army (9) IV Corps (10) 56 BLU.

08 B

GO/3430 (.) SECRET (.) GO/3415 dated 4 July is cancelled and following WARNING issued in place (.)
ONE (.) Phase TWO will be implemented in NW ITALY wef 15 July (.) Areas of responsibility will then be as follows (.)
TWO (.) LOMBARDIA less MANTOVA responsibility 59 Area with under cond LEGNANO GRUPPO 502 ITI Gd Bn One inf regt MANTOVA GRUPPO (which will be under op cond LEGNANO GRUPPO) (.)
THREE (.) PIACENZA and PARMA responsibility 215 Sub Area with under cond 155 Arty Regt (MANTOVA GRUPPO) on arrival approx 20 July (.)

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for Lieut-Col.
GS.

TPI/GS.

Copy to: 421 FS Section.
AMG, BERGAMO.
S/t RIBOLLA, (att LEGNANO FS Sec).

COPY.

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FIVE (.) PIEMONTE and IMPERIA responsibility 6 SA Armd Div with under cond CREMONA GRUPPO (.)
SIX (.) 151 Sub Area will have NO security responsibilities but will retain one coy 503 ITI Gd Bn under cond (.)
SEVEN (.) On arrival 2 LOTHIANS will be located in MILAN under cond HQ DISTWO (.) From beginning Phase TWO until arrival 2 LOTHIANS 6 SA Armd Div will earmark mobile colns (a) in MILAN area to assist 59 Area and 215 Sub Area (b) in TURIN area to assist 60 Sub area (.)
Detailed orders for these colns will follow

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Subject: Returns

HQ No 2 District CMP

Tel Ext: 113

CMD/5023

8 Jul 45

ADQT 6 (SA) Armd Div
DADOS 52 BLU
DADOS 215 Sub Area (Your 21/317 OS of 5 June refers)

The u/m Monthly Returns, which used to be submitted to ADOS Brit Incr Hear HQ Fifth Army, are not required by this office and may be discontinued.

Return	Date Rendered	Letter Ref.
'A' & 'B' Veh and Gun Eqpt	10th	ADOS Fifth Army ref 5A/OS/3/7 of 12 Dec 44
Technical Vehs	15th	ADOS Fifth Army Circular No 6 dated 19 Sep 44.
Tool Kits LV6/MT2	28th	ADOS Fifth Army ref 5A/OS/1/13 of 28 Jan 45
G3 Dificiency List (Consolidated return of Vehs and Controlled Stores)	15th to G(3) Brit Incr Fifth Army	G(3) Fifth Army ref 114/G(SD) of 24 Feb 45

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/MS.

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7 JUL 1945

C.C. Action accordingly

Lt Col

Col, DDOS.

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Subject:- TERMINATION of LOCAL CONTRACTS.

Land Forces Sub Comm. A.G.
(M.E.I.A.)
ROME
Q/GS/DGS

3 July 43.

50 B.L.U. (for DADGS)
51 " (" ")
52 " (" ")
53 " (" ")
56 " (" ")
"F" BLTU (" ")
M.E.I.A. L.O. NAPLES (for DADGS)

Ref. enclosed MEMORANDUM on TERMINATION of LOCAL CONTRACTS - following is an extract from AFHQ letter DGS/46/5 of 15 June-

"2. In view of the changed situation C.O's will keep their contractual commitments under review in the light of stocks and of future requirements. In the case of any contracts for stores, etc. which are in excess of requirements, steps will be taken to terminate on the general lines indicated in the War Office memorandum and in consultation with Financial Adviser.

3. The clause giving the War Department power to terminate contracts, as necessary, will be included in all future transactions."

W. . BADCOCK, Major
for Col. DA & QMG,
M.E.I.A.

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Copy to:- Q/GS/1

WAB/ab

5 JUL 1945

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Appendix to 3795/X(Joint)
dated 4 Jun 45

Cts/Misc/3930(D.C.1).

MEMORANDUM ON TERMINATION OF LOCAL CONTRACTS (OTHER THAN FOR WORKS SERVICES).

Note: This memorandum applies to the termination or curtailment of locally placed contracts (except those for Works Services but including those for Works Stores) due to changes in requirements arising out of developments in the war situation (e.g. end of European hostilities). It is not intended to convey any authority for termination of a contract where the service or supply is to continue.

1. When instructions are issued for the closing down or curtailment of services or the reduction of stock holdings which involve current local contracts, all relevant existing contracts, and all orders actually placed under running contracts, should be carefully reviewed.

2. Where it is clear that services or deliveries beyond a certain date or quantity will not be required, and that steps must therefore be taken to terminate prematurely current contracts or orders, the procedure will be as follows:-

3. Local Contracts containing a Break Clause. If the local contract contains a Break Clause, notice of termination will be given as provided in the clause. The position of the contract will be ascertained and further directions will (in the light of any specific instructions issued by D.C.) be given to the contractor as required by the clause. Claims will be dealt with and settled locally except that any claim will be referred to the War Office before settlement with a recommendation supported by Command Secretary or F.A.

if (i) it exceeds £2,500

or (ii) the claim or any portion of it is made under any "hardship" provision included in the Break clause used in the contract. Any claim for continuing overhead expenses will be regarded as a "hardship" claim for this purpose.

or (iii) any question of doubt or principle is involved unless the Command Secretary or Financial Adviser authorises local settlement.

This paragraph applies to all contracts (except those for Works

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3. Local Contracts containing a Break Clause. If the local contract contains a Break Clause, notice of termination will be given as provided in the clause. The position of the contract will be ascertained and further directions will (in the light of any specific instructions issued by W.O.) be given to the contractor as required by the clause. Claims will be dealt with and settled locally except that any claim will be referred to the War Office before settlement with a recommendation supported by Command Secretary or F.A.

if (i) it exceeds £2,500

or (ii) the claim or any portion of it is made under any "hardship" provision included in the break clause used in the contract. Any claim for continuing overhead expenses will be regarded as a "hardship" claim for this purpose.

or (iii) any question of doubt or principle is involved unless the Command Secretary or Financial Adviser authorises local settlement.

This paragraph applies to all contracts (except those for Works Services) containing a Break Clause which were placed locally.

4. Running contracts placed locally which are no longer required should be terminated by due notice under the termination clause. If the Running Contract is of a type under which the Department is bound to order only such quantities or services as may be required, but contains no termindation clause, the contractor should be informed that owing to the change in the military situation no further requirements are likely to arise under the contract; such contracts will then lapse automatically.

No question of compensation for quantities undelivered or services not performed should normally arise in these cases. If such claims do arise they should be referred to the War Office.

If a Running Contract which it is desired to terminate was placed by War Office or Ministry of Supply the matter should be reported to the Department concerned for action.

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4. (Contd)

It should be possible to terminate any gas, water and electricity agreements that need terminating without going outside their terms. Either the requisite few hours notice under the Company's standard terms or the notice laid down in the larger agreements should be given. In Eastern, Northern, Western and Southern Command, proposals to terminate any of these agreements made at the War Office should be reported to the Command Secretary instead of to the War Office.

5. Where the local contract contains no Break Clause or provision for early termination and cannot be dealt with by allowing it to lapse as in paragraph 4 or where it is desired to cancel or amend a firm order already given under a local running contract, the contractor should at once be informed of the position and invited to fall in with the Department's wishes. Subsequent action will be as follows:-

(a) If the contractor agrees to curtail deliveries or discontinues the service as required by the Department without payment in respect of quantities not delivered or services not rendered, action may be taken locally to amend the contract (or order under a running contract) accordingly. Such cases in Commands at Home should then be reported to the War Office.

(b) On the other hand, if the contractor indicates that he intends to ask for compensation in respect of deliveries or services not required he should be asked to state at once the estimated probable amount of such claim, an indication of the heads under which the claim will be made e.g. labour and materials on unfinished goods, materials purchased and not used etc. and (for stores or supplies) the position as regards degree of completion of the remaining quantities.

(c) In Home Commands cases under (b) will be reported as soon as possible to the War Office (D.A.C.) with a recommendation as to whether contractor should be instructed to cease work at once, to complete production of certain quantities or to a certain stage, or to complete the whole contract. (Such reference will not of course be necessary before arranging to stop any supply or service where definite War Office instructions to do so, irrespective of stage of completion, have already been issued).

Factors in making this recommendation will be e.g. the stage reached in the manufacture of the articles not required, the probable value of Contractor's reasonable claim for labour and materials, etc. as compared with the contract price, the feasibility of accepting delivery for storage, the possibility of future use and whether the articles would command a good market if they eventually became surplus, and the availability of alternative work.

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In Commands abroad (unless specific instructions have been received from the War Office) decision on these considerations will be taken locally with the concurrence of the Command Secretary or Financial Adviser.

(d) When the decision under (b) and (c) above is to break the contract, the contractor will be pressed to submit early his final claim for compensation in respect of articles not delivered or services not rendered. Such claims will be examined locally and dealt with as follows:-

(i) where the compensation payment does not exceed £500 settlement will be made locally with the agreement of Command Secretary or Financial Adviser but questions of principle and doubtful cases should be referred to the War Office unless the Command Secretary or Financial Adviser authorises local settlement.

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5. (d) (ii) In other cases a recommendation supported by Command Secretary or Financial Adviser will be forwarded with the relevant documents to the War Office for decision.

Claims for loss of profit on the cancelled portions of contracts should be discouraged.

6. Termination of contracts or orders and subsequent terms of settlement may leave contractor in possession of controlled materials allotted to him for the contract. In such cases, unless specific instructions have been received from War Office or from a Control to the contrary, contractor should be informed that he must obtain the agreement of the controlling authority to the retention of such materials. At the same time the controlling authority should be informed of the termination and of the approximate amount of unused controlled materials in contractors hands. Where materials have been issued to contractor by the Department either free or on payment instructions will be issued locally to contractor as to the disposal of any unused portion of such materials.

7. All terminations of contract at home, whether they are to be reported to War Office under the foregoing paragraphs or not, if they are likely to involve a reduction in contractor's labour of 1,000 hands in all or 50 hands in any one firm, will be reported to the War Office (D.A.G.) as soon as a decision to terminate is reached, with an estimate of the labour involved.

8. If it is desired to break or terminate a contract for e.g. stores, supplies or services placed by War Office or Ministry of Supply the facts will be reported for action to the Department which placed the contract, both for contracts which include and do not include a Break Clause. Special instructions have however been issued by Ministry of Supply to Demanding Officers in respect of the operation of the break clause in certain Running Contracts placed by that Depart m

9. If it is desired to break or terminate a contract placed by a Command Secretary he should be informed and all subsequent action will be taken either by him or in accordance with his directions.

10. In no case should notice of termination or break be given until a firm decision has been reached that this course must be taken. Once such notice has been given the contract cannot be re-instated. Where there is doubt the matter should be reported to the War Office before action is taken.

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Subject: Operational Command.

52 British Liaison [illegible],
CMF.
5 July 45.

G/14/145

To: HQ Legnano. A/Q. REME.
[illegible]. RE Camp Cond.
[illegible]. Med.
R Sigs. Ord.

Copy to: 421 FS Section.
AMG, Bergamo.
Sjt Ribolla (att Legnano FSS)

Cancelled see 73

The following Warning Order has been received from HQ 2 District in their signal GO/3415 of 4 July 45.

1. HQ 2 District will take on responsibility for internal security from HQ IV Corps wef 15 July 45.

2. 59 Area, with under cond :-
LEGNANO Gruppo
Garibaldi Regt
502 ITI Gds Bn.
will be responsible for LOMBARDIA less MANTOVA.

3. 60 Sub-Area, with under cond :-
HQ 1 Gds Regt
503 ITI Gds Bn (less one coy)
519 ITI Gds Bn.
MANTOVA Gruppo - less one Regt (wef approx 20 July)
will be responsible for LIGURIA less LAPERIA.

4. 215 Sub-Area, with under cond :-
One Regt MANTOVA Gruppo (on arrival approx 20 July)
will be responsible for PIACENZA and PARMA.

5. 6 SA Armd Div, with under cond CREMONA Gruppo, will be responsible for PIEMONTE and LAPERIA.

6. 151 Sub-Area - no security responsibilities. To remain with one coy 503 ITI Gds Bn under cond.

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Sjt Riboli. (att Locarno Fgd)

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7. 2 Lothians, on arrival will be located in MILAN under comd of 2 Dist.

8. Mob Columns, to assist 215 Sub-Area and 60 Sub-Area if required, will be earmarked.

6 JUL 1945

Lieut-Col.
GS.

MA/MS

Maj Gordon
also to Adj

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Subject: Contracts

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AD08 59 Area (5)
DA308 51 BAU (3)
" 52 BAU (3)
" 60 Sub Area CHESTER (4)
" 215 Sub Area (3)
OO 151 Sub Area (2)
OO 66 AA Pkie (6)

HQ No 2 District CWT

Tel Ext: 82

CWD/5108

29 June 45

1. The attached memorandum on the procedure for termination of local contracts has been drawn up by the Contracts Directorate of the War Office and is circulated for distribution to officers under your administration.

2. In view of the changed situation OO's will keep their contractual commitments under review in the light of stocks and of future requirements. In the case of any contracts for stores, etc. which are in excess of requirements, steps will be taken to terminate on the general lines indicated in the War Office memorandum and in consultation with Financial Adviser.

3. The clause giving the War Department power to terminate contracts, as necessary, will be included in all future transactions.

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Lt Col Deputy Capt
Col, DDOC.

MLS.
1 JUL 1945

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Subject: Changes of Command.

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52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
23 June 45.

G/A4/130

HQ LEGNANO Gruppo.

Under authority of Hq 5 Army signal SD.1419 dated 21 June, the following changes of command take effect from 0001 hrs 23 June 45 :-

(a) 2 District - from adm comd Hq 5 Army to adm comd AFHQ, remaining under op comd IV (US) Corps.

(b) 215 Sub-Area (with all Brit units under op or adm comd). - from op and adm comd Hq 5 Army to op and adm comd Hq 2 District.

(c) 216 Sub-Area (with all Brit units under op or adm comd). - from op and adm comd Hq 5 Army to op and adm comd Hq 1 District.

(d) 6 SA Armd Div, and LEGNANO Group. - from adm comd Hq 5 Army to adm comd Hq 2 District, remaining under op comd IV (US) Corps.

(e) FRIULI and FOLGORE Groups. - from adm comd Hq 5 Army to adm comd Hq 1 District, remaining under op comd Hq 5 Army.

(f) The inter-District boundary for op purposes, (as far as Brit and Brit-maintained units in 5 Army area are concerned), will be the Western boundary of FBS. This boundary will accord with the eventual boundary between the two Districts.

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for Lieut-Col. GS.

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DDOS Eighth Army	OC 206 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.
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DDOS 1 District	OC 27 Mob Bath Unit.
DDOS 2 District	OC 57 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.
ADOS 15 Army Gp	OC 15 Mob Offrs Shop
COO 557 BOD	OC 42 AKS Kinema Sec.
COO 35 ACD.	WO i/c 45 MARU.
ADQT 6 (SA) Armd Div.	OC 5 Army Tps Wksps Stores Sec.
DADOS 215 Sub Area	OC 741 Inf Tps Wksps Stores Sec.
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Subject: Administr ion.

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52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4
23 June 1945.

A.D.O.S.,
British Increment (Ord. Branch),
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

1. Receipt is hereby acknowledged of Copy No. 22 of Ord. Branch Admin. Instruction No. 11, dated 19 June 45.

Capt.
(W.P.J. SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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S E C R E T.

Copy No.....22.....

Headquarters Fifth Army British Increment

Ordnance Branch Administrative Instruction No. 11.

Information.

1. As from 0001 hours 23 Jun 45 formations under command British Increment HQ Fifth Army pass under command HQs Districts as follows :-

(a)	To HQ 2 District	6 (SA) Armd Div. Legnano Gruppo (52 BLU). 215 Sub Area.
(b)	To HQ 1 District	Friuli Gruppo (50 BLU). Folgore Gruppo (53 BLU). 216 Sub Area.

Intention.

2. To define the following :-

(a) Re-allocation of Ord Units at present under command British Increment HQ Fifth Army.

(b) Commitments of Ord Units on handover.

(c) Method of demand, release and issue of Ord Stores, including reserved and controlled stores, at time of handover.

Method.

3. (a) The following Ord Units pass under op command AFHQ and become available for disposal on dates stated :-

4 O.B.D.	Now available.
206 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.	Now available.
15 Mob Bath Unit.	Now available.
Brit Incr Fifth Army Tps OFP.	Available 26 Jun 45.
15 Mob Offrs Shop.	Available 17 Jul 45. (routed until 15 Jul 45).
5 O.B.D.	Available when administrative arrangements made by Districts for handling present commitments.

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(b) The following Ord Units pass under Command HQ Districts :-

HQ 1 District.

45 M.A.R.U.
27 Mob Bath Unit.

HQ 2 District.

19 Vehicle Park.
57 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit (under op command 6 (SA) Armd Div).
42 A.K.S. Kineme Section.

(c) Full details of locations, op, adm and local adm command of all Ord Units at time of handover are given at Appendix 'A'.

4. Commitments of Ord Units on handover will be as follows :-

(a) HQ and Stores Sec, 5 O.B.D.

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(i) HQ and Det Stores Sec, BOLOGNA.
Handling stores received from BOLOGNA Railhead (3 Sup Railhead Sub Sec, 3 Ord Maint Coy) in transit for PIACENZA and VALEGGIO. Sorting returned stores for despatch by rail to R.S.D. Holding Army reserve of Signal Stores, Q(AE) reserved stores, engines, controlled sizes tyres and tubes, tentage and despatching releases made by this HQ to a/m roadheads. Servicing Army float of industrial gases.

(ii) Det Stores Sec, PIACENZA.
Ord roadhead (in 55 Army Roadhead) for stores in transit between BOLOGNA and 6 (SA) Armd Div, Legnano Gruppo (52 BLU) and 215 Sub Area.

(iii) Det Stores Sec, VALEGGIO.
Ord Roadhead (3 Army Sup Pt) for stores in transit between BOLOGNA and Folgore Gruppo (53 BLU) and Friuli Gruppo (50 BLU).

(b)	Amn Sec 5 O.B.D.	Holding approx 6000 tons Amn, little movement.
(c)	45 M.A.R.U.	With Amn Sec 5 O.B.D.
(d)	19 Vehicle Park.	Holding Army reserve Arty Equipts, Carriers, 'B' vehicles (incl Tech Vehicles).
(e)	27 Mob Bath Unit.	Fully employed in 216 Sub Area.
(f)	57 Mob Dry & Bath Unit.	Employed solely by 6 (SA) Armd Div. Possibly also required for Medloc commitment.
(g)	42 AKS Kinema Sec.	

5. The following arrangements are in hand to reduce commitments and free the above units.

(a) HQ and Stores Sec 5 O.B.D.
Det at BOLOGNA.

(i) This HQ has requested disposal instructions for Army reserve of tentage and Q(AE) Controlled Stores.

(ii) Army reserve of Signal Stores is being issued before

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transit between BOLOGNA and 6 (SA) Armd Div, Legnano Gruppo (52 BLU) and 215 Sub Area.

(iii) Det Stores Sec, VALDAGNO.
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(ii) Army reserve of Signal Stores is being issued before handover.

(iii) All engines and controlled sizes of covers and tubes received before handover will be released by this Office. Subsequent receipts against demands placed by this Office will be allocated to formations under mutual arrangements DDsOS HQ 1 and 2 Districts.

(iv) Approx 2/3 Army float of gas cylinders will be transferred to DDOS 2 District when arrangements are complete for supply of industrial gases to 6 (SA) Armd Div, Legnano Gruppo and 215 Sub Area from civilian factories in 2 District. Remainder of float will be transferred to DDOS 1 District for maintenance of Folgore and Friuli Gruppo and 216 Sub Area.

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(v) When (i) to (iv) above are complete, estimated date 30 Jun 45, it is considered that both railhead and depot commitments at BOLOGNA are within capacity of 3 Sup Railhead Sub Sec, 3 Ord Maintenance Coy, which is already available at BOLOGNA. Note, Stores awaiting backloading by rail to R.S.D. 557 B.O.D. as at 17 Jun 45 totalled 81 tons.

Det at PIACENZA.

(vi) This Det will be freed when formations under command HQ 2 District are maintained through GENOA.

Det at VALEGGIO.

(vii) This Det will be freed when Folgore and Friuli Gruppo can be maintained by rail. Note, estimated date for completion of rail link BOLOGNA to VERONA is 7 Jul 45.

(b) Adm Sec 5 C.M.D.
45 M.A.A.R.U.

The above can be freed when alternative arrangements are made for holding or clearance of Adm stocks at BOLOGNA.

(c) 19 Vehicle Park.

Passed to HQ 2 District and will operate Vehicle Park and R.V.P. G(SD) this HQ have requested disposal instructions for stocks of Arty Equipts, Carriers and 'B' Vehicles.

(d) 27 Mob Bath Unit.

Estimated date of completion of static bath houses in 216 Sub Area is 30 Jun 45. Unit will then be available for disposal by AFHQ.

(e) 57 Mob Dry & Bath Unit.

Availability depends on civilian laundry facilities within 2 District, now being investigated.

6. Until Handover is complete, Ord Stores will be demanded as follows :-

(a) Engines.

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Dot at VALEGGIO.

(vii) This Dot will be freed when Folgore and Friuli Gruppo can be maintained by rail. Note, estimated date for completion of rail link BOLOGNA to VERONA is 7 Jul 45.

(b) Ammn Sec 5 O.P.D.
45 M.A.R.U.

The above can be freed when alternative arrangements are made for holding or clearance of Ammn stocks at BOLOGNA.

(c) 19 Vehicle Park.

Passes to HQ 2 District and will operate Vehicle Park and R.V.P. G(SD) this HQ have requested disposal instructions for stocks of Arty Equipts, Carriers and 'B' Vehicles.

(d) 27 Mob Bath Unit.

Estimated date of completion of static bath houses in 216 Sub Area is 30 Jun 45. Unit will then be available for disposal by AFHQ.

(e) 27 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.

Availability depends on civilian laundry facilities within 2 District, now being investigated.

6. Until handover is complete, Ord Stores will be demanded as follows :-

(a) Engines.

OOs Formations will submit consolidated demands for week ending 20 Jun 45 to this Office, copy to DDOS HQ District concerned. Thereafter demands will be submitted to DDOS District. This Office will release engines from 5 O.B.D. for week ending 20 Jun 45, sending copy of the release to DDOS District concerned, who will then demand on DOS AFHQ.

(b) Controlled sizes tyres and tubes.

Demands for week ending 16 Jun 45 will be submitted to this Office, copy to DDOS District concerned. OC Brit Inc Fifth Army Tps OFP will submit separate demands for 215 and 216 Sub Areas, copies to DADOS Sub Area and DDOS District. Thereafter all demands will be submitted by OOs formations to DDOS District.

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This Office will release covers and tubes for week ending 16 Jun 45, copy to DDOS District as in 6(a) above.

(c) Controlled Stores.

(AE) Controlled Stores, Signal Stores, Tentage will be demanded by formations from respective Staff Branches this HQ until 23 Jun 45. Thereafter under District arrangements.

(d) Vote 7 & 8 Reserved Stores.

DOS Circular 182 with appendices 'A', 'B', 'C' will continue to apply. From 24 Jun 45 OO formations will demand through DDOS District concerned.

(e) Tech and M.T. Spares.

Until 22 Jun 45 indents will be submitted to Brit Inor Fifth Army Tps OKF, who will extract insbilities to Base Depots, for consignment direct to Ord Dump of Formation concerned. From 23 Jun 45, indents for these stores will be submitted to formation OO.

(f) All other Ord Stores will continue to be demanded normally through OO Formation.

7. From 23 Jun 45, 5 O.B.D. will submit the usual daily returns of stocks and tonnages as follows :-

Det Stores Sec BOLOGNA.	To DDOS 1 District with copy to DDOS 2 District.
Det Stores Sec PIACENZA.	To DDOS 1 District with copy to DDOS 2 District.
Det Stores Sec VALEGGIO.	To DDOS 1 District.
Ammn Sec BOLOGNA.	D.A.S. :- DDOS 1 District.
	W.A.S. :- DGS AFHQ. DDOS 1 District. DDOS 2 District.
	Weekly Statement of Doubtful & Repairable Ammn :-

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DOS Circular 162 with Appendices 'A', 'B', 'C' will continue to apply. From 24 Jun 45 OO formations will demand through DDOS District concerned.

(e) Tech and S.T. Spares.

Until 22 Jun 45 indents will be submitted to Brit Inor Fifth Army Tps OKF, who will extract inabilities to Base Depots, for consignment direct to Ord Dump of Formation concerned. From 23 Jun 45, indents for these stores will be submitted to formation OO.

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Det Stores Sec PIACENZA.	To DDOS 1 District with copy to DDOS 2 District.
Det Stores Sec VALEGGIO.	To DDOS 1 District.
Amn Sec BOLOGNA.	D.A.S. :- DDOS 1 District.
	W.A.S. :- DOS AFHQ. DDOS 1 District. DDOS 2 District.
	Weekly Statement of Doubtful & Repairable Amn :- DDOS 1 District.

8. Acknowledge.

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J.J. MULLINS, Major,
for Lt-Col, A.D.O.S.
Rear HQ, Fifth Army.

Field.
19 Jun 45.

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DISTRIBUTION :

G(SD) Brit Incr. (1).
'Q' Brit Incr. (2).
S.O. Brit Incr. (3).
DDST " " (4).
DDME " " (5).
DOS AFHQ. (6 - 7).
DDOS Eighth Army. (8).
DDOS L of C. (9 - 10).
DDOS 1 District. (11).
DDOS 2 District. (12).
COO 557 B.O.D. (13 - 16).
COO 55 A.O.D. (17).
ADQT 6 (SA) Armd Div. (18).
DADOS 215 Sub Area. (19).
DADOS 216 Sub Area. (20).
DADOS 50 B.L.U. (21).
DADOS 52 B.L.U. (22).
DADOS 53 B.L.U. (23).
OC 4 O.B.D. (24).
OC 5 O.B.D. (25).
OC Br Inc 5 Army Tps OFF (26).
OC 19 Vehicle Park. (27).
OC 206 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit (28).
OC 15 Mob Bath Unit. (29).
OC 27 Mob Bath Unit. (30).
OC 57 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit (31).
OC 15 Mob Offrs Shop. (32).
OC 42 AKS Kinema Sect. (33).
WO i/c 45 M.A.A.U. (34).
OC 5 Army Tps Wksps Stores Sec. (35).
OC 741 Inf Tps Wksps Stores Sec (36).
HQ 561 L of C SCU. (37).
OC 1 Det 561 L of C SCU. (38).
ADOS 15 Army Gp. (39).

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SER NO.	UNIT	LOCATION	MAP REF	OF COMD	ADM COMD
(i)	Units passing to 1 District.				
1.	45 M.A.R.U.	BOLOGNA.	L 920501	1 District	1 District
2.	27 Mob Bath Unit.	BOLOGNA.	L 938485	1 District	1 District
(ii)	Units passing to 2 District.				
3.	19 Vehicle Park.	MONZA.	K 3380	2 District.	2 District.
4.	57 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.	VERCELLI.	J 6352	2 District	6 (SA) Armd Div.
5.	42 AKS Kinema Section.	PIACENZA.	K 5816	2 District.	2 District.
(iii)	Units passing to AFHQ.				
6.	4 O.B.D.				
	HQ and Stores Sec.	PIACENZA.	K 6315	AFHQ	2 District
	Adm Sec.	BOLOGNA.	L 930507	AFHQ	1 District
7.	5 O.B.D.				
	HQ	BOLOGNA	L 926474	AFHQ	1 District
	Det. Stores Sec.	BOLOGNA	L 920501	AFHQ	1 District
	Det. Stores Sec.	PIACENZA	K 6315	AFHQ	1 District
	Det. Stores Sec.	VALENZIO	P 4445	AFHQ	1 District
	Adm Sec.	BOLOGNA.	L 921501	AFHQ	1 District
8.	206 Mob Ldry & Bath Unit.	BOLOGNA	L 862496	AFHQ	1 District
9.	15 Mob Bath Unit.	PIACENZA	K 5816	AFHQ	2 District
10.	Brit Inc 5 Army Tps OFP.	BOLOGNA.	L 927475	AFHQ	1 District
11.	15 Mob Officers Shop.	BOLOGNA.	L 926474	AFHQ.	1 District.

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Appx 'A' to Ord Branch, 5 Army
Adm Instruction No. 11.

LOCATION	MAP REF	OP COMD	ADM COMD	LOCAL ADM.
BOLOGNA.	L 920501	1 District	1 District	216 Sub Area.
BOLOGNA.	L 938485	1 District	1 District	216 Sub Area.
MONZA.	K 3380	2 District.	2 District.	59 Area.
VERCELLI.	J 6352	2 District	6 (SA) Armd Div.	6 (SA) Armd Div.
PIACENZA.	K 5816	2 District.	2 District.	215 Sub Area.
PIACENZA.	K 6315	AFHQ	2 District	215 Sub Area
BOLOGNA.	L 930507	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area.
BOLOGNA	L 926474	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area
BOLOGNA	L 920501	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area
PIACENZA	K 6315	AFHQ	1 District	215 Sub Area
VALECCHIO	F 4445	AFHQ	1 District	215 Sub Area
BOLOGNA.	L 921501	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area.
BOLOGNA	L 862496	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area.
PIACENZA	K 5816	AFHQ	2 District	215 Sub Area.
BOLOGNA.	L 927475	AFHQ	1 District	216 Sub Area.
BOLOGNA.	L 926474	AFHQ.	1 District.	216 Sub Area.

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SUBJECT: Medical atter .on for 52 BLU.

52 B.L.U.
C.M.F.
11th June, 1945.

The Camp Commandant.
52 B.L.U.

Further to my letter of 22nd May regarding medical attention for members of the BLU the following procedure should now be adopted :-

All sick should be sent to the CENTRAL M.I.ROOM at Via Francesco Sforza 35, MILAN. They should be provided with a sick report in duplicate (B256) properly filled in and should also take any documents relevant to their case if available.

The sick parade takes place daily at 0830hrs and 0930hrs on Sundays. In view of the fact that we are situated some distance from Milan it has been arranged that ORs from the BLU will be allowed to report sick up to 1000hrs. Please see that they leave in time to report by that hour.

Officers can be seen daily at 1100hrs.

Dental cases can be attended to any morning at the Dental Centre adjoining the M.I.Room.

If a case has to be sent to hospital the man will in the first instance be sent to the M.I.Room, who will arrange for his admission to 54 F.D.S., MILAN. The same procedure will be adopted for suspected cases of V.D., in which case the man will be admitted to 15 U.S. Evacuation Hospital, Milan.

ALL CASES MUST FIRST REPORT TO THE M.I.ROOM MILAN.

In order to economise on transport it is suggested that REME, RAOC etc. contact the Camp Commandant daily that arrangements may be made to send the Sick Parade in one vehicle. In the case of minor injuries and emergency the Italian Medical Officers may be asked to help but it is better to send cases that may require hospital treatment direct to the M.I.Room, thus avoiding unnecessary delay and difficulties

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in subsequent evacuation and documentation.

Capitano Foderà, Medical Officer of the Quartier Generale, will be good enough to visit men sick in quarters as heretofore and their subsequent evacuation to hospital, if necessary, will be arranged by myself.

Ophthalmic cases can be examined by special arrangement, which I will make personally.

I think that the above scheme should work excellently as there is no need for any men of the BLU to go further than MILAN and they can thus be easily visited in hospital etc. There are still some individuals who appear anxious to have a day off and visit the M.O. as an excuse, but doubtless you will deal with them in the appropriate manner!

Lieut RAMC.

Copies:

D.A.D.O.S. ✓
D.A.A./Q.M.G.
S.O./R.E.M.E.
S.O./R.SIGS.

12 JUN 1945

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SUBJECT :- Requisi[illegible]oning of Civilian Materia[illegible]

52 BLU,
AQ/11/262,
10 Jun '45.

Main HQ 52 BLU.
DADOS.—
SC REME.
Camp Commandant 52 BLU.

1. In order to obtain the best value in respect of requisitioned civilian material, it is requested that all Branches please ensure that this Office is notified of the intention to requisition any civilian goods or material, so that the correct procedure can be adopted.

2. Detailed instructions are held by this Office.

IN THE FIELD
HDL/BB

H D Lewis Major,
DAA & QMG.

12 JUN 1945

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Subject: Administration - Italian Hospitals.

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52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4
6 June 1945.

D.A.D.O.S.,
215 Sub Area,
C.M.F.

1. Under authority of British Increment HQ Fifth Army 66/G(SD) of 8 May 45, the undermentioned units are placed under Adm. Comd. of 215 Sub Area, and relevant documents are forwarded herewith.

576 Ital. Aux. Hospital.
470 " " "

Capt.
(W.P.J. SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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(59)

SUBJECT : Demands.

British Detachment (Ordnance Branch).
Rear HQ Fifth Army, CMF.

Phone : LIGHTNING REAR 172.

Ref : 5A/OS/15/13.

Date : 26 May. 45.

To: ADQT 6 (BA) Armd Div.
DADOS 21 Sub Area.
DADOS 50 B.L.U.
DADOS 52 B.L.U.
DADOS 53 B.L.U.

Appended copy of AFHQ letter DOS 324/1 of 24 May. 45 is forwarded for information.

J.J. MULLENS, Major,
for Lt-Col, A.D.O.S.

Field.

COPY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

2800

Ref:- DOS/324/1
Tel:- Freedom 810
Date:- 24 May 45.

Subject:- Demands.

A.D.O.S.,
Brit. Inc. Fifth (US) Army.

Ref. your 5A/OS/15/13 of 19 May 45, not to second addressees.

Until further notice the demands in respect of the

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Appended copy of AFHQ letter DOS 324/1 of 24 May. 45
is forwarded for information.

J.J. MULLINS, Major,
for Lt-Col, A.D.C.S.

Field.

COPY.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

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Ref:- DOS/324/1
Tel:- Freedom 840
Date:- 24 May 45.

Subject:- Demands.

A.D.O.S.,
Brit. Inc. Fifth (US) Army.

Ref. your 5A/OS/15/13 of 19 May 45, not to second addressees.

Until further notice the demands in respect of the following formations will be placed direct on 557 B.O.D. :-

(a) 50 B.L.U. — Brindisi Combat Group.
(b) 52 B.L.U. — Legnano " "
(c) 53 B.L.U. — Foligno " "
(d) A.D.Q.M.S. — 6 (BA) Armd Div.
(e) D.A.D.O.S. — 215 Sub Area.

All to be despatched from Base to Taranto and later Bologna Railheads.

(Signed) J.R. CORLETT.

(J.R. CORLETT, Lt.Col., ADOS, BIAS),
for Maj-Gen,
D.O.S.

Copy to: COS 557 BOD

28 MAY 1945

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(38)

Subject: Administration.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4
21 May 1945.

B.O.W.C.,
68 Inf. Regt, "Legnano"

1. As 576 and 470 Field Hospitals are now under the Adm. Comd. of 215 Sub Area, will you please forward all relavent correspondence to this office.

for K
Major.
(G.W. GORDON)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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ORD/4.

SUBJECT: Administration

British Increment (Ordnance Branch)
HQ Fifth Army, C.M.F.

Phone: LIGHTNING REAR 172

5A/OS/S/31

12th May, 45.

To: D.A.D.O.S.,
52 B.L.U.

Reference your ORD/4 of 10 May, 45.

Under authority of this HQ 66/G(SD) of 8 May 45, the u/m units are placed under Adm. Comd. of 215 Sub Area and Local Adm. of 231 Italian Div.

576 Ital. Aux. Hospital
470 " " "

Please arrange necessary transfer of Documentation.

J.J. MULLINS, Major,
for Lt-Colonel, A.D.O.S.,
Brit. Incr., FIFTH ARMY.

Field.

13 MAY 1945

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Subject: 576 and 470 Field Hospitals.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4.
10 May 1945.

A.D.O.S.,
British Increment (Ord. Branch),
Rear H.Q. Fifth Army,
C.M.F.

1. The 576 and 470 Field Hospitals under my administration are located in Florence, and it is extremely difficult under present circumstances to maintain efficient service.

2. Can transfer of administration please be effected to an Ordnance unit which could be in closer contact than myself.

W.P.J.

Capt.
(W.P.J. SMITH)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

WS/LED.

Copy to: File ORD/37
ORD/40

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52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4
28th April 45

SUBJECT:- Discrepancies.

DADOS 53 B.L.U.

Attached copy of letter received from 86c Field Hospital is passed to you for information.

1. It is pointed out that the bales concerned were received in this D.A.D.O.S. Dump in a damaged condition and without covering voucher.

Capt for Major.
(W.P.J. Smith.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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SUBJECT:-
Equipping of 522 Field Hospital.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
ORD/4
28th April 45.

DADOS 56 B.L.U.

Reference your ORD/MTSC dated 19th April 45 attached
copy to this office.

1. Your ORD/MISC dated 18th Mar 45 covering enclosure of No 4 copy vouchers has not been received here.

2. No paper work of any nature is held here in respect of the 522 Field Hospital.

Capt. for Major
(W.P.J. Smith.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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Subject:- EQUIPPING OF 522 FIELD HOSPITAL.

DADOS 56 BLU
CRD/1130.
19 APR 45.

DADOS 53 BLU.

Reference your CRD/21 of 2 April and our CRD/3/6 of 18 Mar.

1. Herewith all available documents re equipping of 522 Field Hospital.

2. The quantity of No.4 copies received from you were forwarded to DADOS 52 BLU under cover of our CRD/1130 dated 18 Mar 45.

3. A copy of our CRD/1130 dated 19 Apr 45 to DADOS 52 BLU has been forwarded to you.

4. Please Ack..

TS/HG.

Capt MAJOR
DADOS 56 BLU
T.S. MORGAN

Copy to: DADOS 52 BLU.

Enclosures: SEL. No.186/1
AFG 984.(prepared by 53 BLU).
AFG 975(prepared by 56 BLU).
AFG 9820 - No.3 Copies.
AFG 1033(Issues to 522 Field Hospital).
Release Note.(1)

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Subject:- Equipping of 866 Field Hospital.

5th Brit. Liaison Unit (53)
C.M.F.
Ord/4
26th Apr/45.

D.A.D.O.S. 53 B.L.U.

1. Please find attached file Ord/38, with all relevant documents re equipping of 866 Field Hospital.

2. Please Ack.

W.F.J. Smith

Capt.
(W.F.J. Smith.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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Subject: EQUIPPING OF 866 FIELD HOSPITAL.

DADOS 52 BLU.

DADOS 56 BLU
ORD/MISC
19 APRIL 45

Reference our ORD/MISC of 18 Mar 45.

1. All relevant documents re the equipping of 866 Field Hospital were forwarded to you under cover of the above reference.

2. Will you please forward these documents to DADOS 53 BLU who is servicing this unit.

TS/HG.

Copy to: DADOS 53 BLU.
DDOS 13 Corps.

Capt
MAJOR
DADOS 56 BLU
T.W. MORGAN

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Subject:- Ordnance Servic(.

52 B.L.U.
C.M.F.
ORD/4
26 Apl 45.

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Capo [illegible]ficio di Comm.
G. di C. "LEGNANO"

1. It is pointed out that the following items have been awaiting collection at R.H. for some time and it is doubtful if these are now available for this formation:-

Engines, Tyres, Tubes, K.D. Clothing, Boots, Spare Parts, Watches, Stats, Rifles, T.S.M.G., Mortars, Cable, Mine Detectors;

(a) No responsibility can be taken for any stores not arriving on time to meet unit indents.

2. My Ord/4 dated 17 Mar bought this subject your notice but during this m move the position is even more serious as their is no means of despatching mail or sending signals over the telephones.

3. These is no means of communications between units and Ord or between Ord and higher formation.

4. During the last 40 days the Ord Services have been unable to carry out the normal Ord Services for 15 days due to lack of transport, and means of communication either telephone or D.R. services.

4. The difficulties of of moving a formation are appreciated and the ~~normal~~ usual transport and telephone or D.R. services can not be expected but skeleton services must be given.

5. Every effort will be made by this office to over come these difficulties but it will be some time before Ordnance can recover to be in a position to give the ~~necessary~~ usual efficient Services

Major.
(G.W. GORDON.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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P 0R214 (51)

SUBJECT: Adm Comd Italian Hosps

British Increment (Q French)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Tele No: LIGHTNING REAR 164

207 Q

19 Apr 45

52 BLU
53 BLU
215 Sub Area

Copy to: G(SD)
'A'
Med
Ord
MMLA LO

Ref this HQ 196/6/G(SD) dated 2 Apr 45 (not to 53 BLU).

1. Ord services for 522 and 866 Italian Fd Hosps will be the responsibility of DADOS 53 BLU and NOT 52 BLU as stated in para 2 of the above quoted letter.

KP/EP

K. PASCALL, Capt
for Col
DA & QMG

21 APR 1944

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Subject: Gen Transport Team for ITA.

52 British Infantry Brigade,
GHQ.
19 Apr 45.

S/21/22

HQ ANGLO.

The following extract from the Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the War Establishments Committee, Land Forces Sub Cons (MCSA) is forwarded for info:-

"Gen Tn: Team for the Italian Combat Force (Italian Army) (WAR/71)

It was agreed to approve this establishment wef 12 Apr 45 subject to AFHQ concurrence. It consists of 1 officer, 3 ORs and 1 lorry 3 ton 4x4 GS. The proposal was considered at the request of CCS, AFHQ. (AFHQ letter MAT/SD/1301/1 refers).

The Team is designed to assist Combat Groups in Anti-Gas warfare and will also organise instructor courses for junior leaders at the Reinforcement Training Centre to the Italian Combat Force.

The lorry 3 ton 4x4 GS is required for the carriage of stores, equipment and personnel during visits of the Team to individual units of the Combat Groups. It was considered that this vehicle was essential in order that the team should be suitably mobile. The inclusion of this unit in Category 3, MT-ITE (Service Tps) has been agreed in principle by AFHQ."

Allnoch
Major,
GS.

TEL/RS

Copy to: Hqcr 52 BDE.
DAPM.

19 APR 1944

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Subject:- B.O.W.O's.

52 B.L.U.,
C.M.F.
ORD/4.
13 Apr. 45.

Ufficio di Commissariato,
G. di C.,
"Legnano".

1. Units are not taking advantage of the services of the B.O.W.O's, and in order to clarify the position, some of the duties of a B.O.W.O. are given below.

(a) To check and pass unit indent to Base through DADOS.

(b) Responsible to DADOS that Ordnance Stores are being put to proper use.

(c) Responsible for units being properly equipped.

(d) Help and advise units on all Ordnance matters.

(e) To keep records of all important stores, and to help units in the compilation of the Monthly Census of Warlike Stores.

(f) All indents will be passed through B.O.W.O. To forward indents direct to DADOS without the signature of a B.O.W.O. is a waste of time. The B.O.W.O. will ensure that all indents are in order, and compiled correctly, and will answer any queries which may arise. Units will only contact DADOS through a B.O.W.O.

(h) To hasten stores which are urgently required by units.

2. All units have been informed of their respective B.O.W.O's location and telephone number, and the approximate times he will be available in his office. Will you please impress on units the necessity for complete co-operation between them and the B.O.W.O's.

Major,
(G.W. Gordon.)
D.A.D.O.S.

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British Increment, (C Branch)
HQ FIFTH ARMY.

Tel : Lighting 90.

196/G/G(SD)

2 Apr 45.

SUBJECT : Adm Cond Italian Hosps.

TO ELU
21 Beach Gp

Copy to : G-1 Br1t
G-3 G-4 Brit
Med
Ord Brit
LOMA LO (for 231 Det)

1. The following units, due in FIFTH ARMY area 3 Apr, are placed under orders 21 Beach Gp and will be located at Q 826905 :

420 Italian Mt Hosp
522 Italian Mt Hosp
576 Italian Mt Hosp
866 Italian Fd Hosp (already arrived)

2. Ord services for the above units will be the responsibility of 52 ELU.

(Dennett Daniel)
Brigadier,
Deputy Chief of Staff.

/jm.

5 APR 1945

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British Increment (Ordnance Branch),
Rear HQ, Fifth Army, CMF.

Phone No : LIGHTNING REAR 172.

Ref : 5A/03/19/6.

Date : 30 Mar 45.

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Subject : Unit Mtce Inspectorate Reports.

DEOS 13 Corps.
DADOS 52 ELU.
DADOS 21 Beach Group.
DADOS Florence Area Command.

Copy to : "Q" Brit Incr Fifth Army.
Unit Mtce Inspectorate C/o DDME Brit Incr Fifth Army.

1. Recent inspections by the Unit Mtce Inspectorate of MT held on charge by Ordnance units, has revealed a very low state of maintenance.

2. Whilst it is appreciated that some units are holding MT additional to their authorised WE, without the necessary trained personnel to maintain them, it is essential that the fullest possible attention is given to all MT held on charge.

3. It is up to all OCs of Ordnance units to keep their unit, G 1098 and vehicles up to the highest possible standard and will you therefore bring to the notice of all concerned, that any further bad reports will be dealt with most severely by the Staff Branch of Army or Corps concerned.

2 APR 1945

J.R. CORLETT, Lt-Colonel,
A.D.O.S., Brit Increment.

Field.

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(W) For Information (INFO)

ADOS BRIT INDIAN FIFTH ARMY

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For Action

CC 206 MOB LDRY & BATH UNIT.

TO

(W) For Information (INFO)

DADOS 52 BLU.

— Message Instructions — CH

Originator's No. 5M/03/21/3 (.) RESTRICTED (.) 52 BLU DELIVERING UP TO TWO THOUSAND SETS OF CLOTHING FOR WASHING OR EXCHANGE APRIL 2ND (.) REQUEST YOU EXCHANGE IMMEDIATELY IF STOCK POSITION PERMITS (.) IF STOCK INSUFFICIENT BLU CAN AWAIT RETURN FOR TWO THREE DAYS (.) PLEASE EFFECT BEST POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENT (.)

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SUBJECT: Units @1098 Equipment.

British Increment (Ordnance Branch)
HQ Fifth Army, C.M.F.

Phone: LIGHTNING Ext 172

5A/Gs/15/3

29th March, 45.

To: D.D.O.S., 13 Corps. (3 Copies)
A.D.O.S., 6 Gd Armd Div (2 copies)
D.A.D.O.S., 21 Beach Group
D.A.D.O.S., FLORENCE Command.
D.A.D.O.S., 52 B.L.O.

Copy to: D.O.S., Gen/Instr., M.F.H.Q.

1. There have been a number of complaints from D.D.O.S. and A.D.O.S. of Districts and Areas in rear of Armies, that when notification is received by D.D.O.S., A.D.O.S. and D.A.D.O.S. of Formations and Areas, that formations or individual units are shortly leaving Army Areas for the rear, that there is a tendancy to "turn off the tap" in the supply of ordnance stores, with the idea that the unit etc will be able to complete its @1098 entitlement by drawing direct from Base Depots.

2. Units etc leaving Army Areas for rear areas will at all times be made up as far as possible, to their authorised @1098 entitlement, as due to Armies getting priority of issue of any available stores held in Base Depots, it is a false policy to withhold any stores expecting the units to be able to obtain them when they arrive in base areas.

J. R. CORLETT, Lt-Colonel,
A.D.O.S., Brit. Increment,
FIFTH ARMY.

Field.

31 MAR 1945

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SUBJECT:- "Q" Controlled Stores

52 British Liaison Unit
CMF
25 Mar 45

ORD/4.

AQ/4/82

To:- Sezione Servizi
HQ Legnano

1. It is considered that a directive should be issued by Servizi to units on the subject of replacement of "Q" Controlled Stores lost, destroyed or damaged beyond unit repair. Suggested points for such directive are set out below:-

(a) Immediately any item is damaged beyond Unit repair it should be evacuated to workshops. If workshops consider it BLR a certificate to that effect should be issued and sent to Servizi and the Unit notified this has been done.

(b) If any item is destroyed, or lost or captured the Unit concerned should notify Servizi immediately.

(c) A set form of notification should be laid down by Servizi and Units should send in returns daily. A similar daily return should be obtained from workshops. Nil returns are not necessary.

(d) From returns received from Units and Workshops, Servizi should make up a consolidated demand for submission to G (SD) Fifth Army as per para 28 of Fifth Army Administration Instruction No.19. No specific days of form for delivery of this demand are laid down. It is suggested that a form similar to that used for demanding vehicles be prepared and delivered to G(SD) through 52 BLU once a week.

(e) In the event of urgent replacement being required an immediate demand can be made on any day.

2. A list of "Q" Controlled Stores is attached hereto. Other items should be demanded in the ordinary way through Ord channels.

3. It is considered a firm drill should be laid down immediately as at present demands are apparently going to both "Q" and [illegible] through a variety of channels and confusion is

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3. It is considered a firm drill should be laid down immediately as at present demands are apparently going to both "Q" and Ord through a variety of channels and confusion is resulting.

4. May a copy of the directive issued please be supplied to this office and also to DADOS 52 BLU.

A 2783

Major.
DAA&QMG.

RWG/WN.

Copy to:- DADOS 52 BLU.

See 42

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"Q" CONTROLLED STORES

1. Artillery Equipment & Trailers
2. Machine Guns and Small Arms
3. Sights Dial M.G. Nos 7, 7a, and 9.
4. Compasses Prismatic
5. Watches
6. Chronometers Vickers
7. Directors Artillery Nos 7 and 9
8. Binoculars Nos 2 and 5
9. Rangefinders Nos 2, 12, and 15
10. Quadrants gunners
11. Circles aiming
12. Detectors Mine No.4
    Detectors Mine No.5a
    Detectors Mine Polish No.3.
    Detectors Mine American
13. Lighting Sets 1Kw and 4Kw

NOTE:- Spare parts for all the above are an Ordnance supply.

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SUBJECT:- "Q" Controlled Stores

52 British Liaison Unit
CMF
25 Mar 45

AQ/4/86

To:- HQ Legnano
(Sezione Servizi)

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Reference my AQ/4/82 of todays date.

Returns should be made out weekly as at Friday of each week and should be despatched to G(SD) Fifth Army via 91 (US) Division by the morning D.R. each Saturday.

Urgent replacements as previously stated should be notified at once to 52 BLU Rear.

It is suggested the weekly return be sent to the BLU Rear each Friday evening for forwarding by our DR on Sat mornings to 91 Division.

Major.
DAA&QMG.

RWG/AR.

Copy to:- DADOS 52 BLU

26 MAR 1945

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14 Dec 44

No.1 DISTRICT INSTRUCTION No.38

COMMAND AND ADM ITALIAN GRUPPI DI COMBATTIMENTO

1 (a) This instruction sets out the procedure for comd and adm of Italian Gruppi di Combattimento located in 1 District.

(b) This Instruction does not apply to B.L.U. which will be treated in the same manner as any other Br unit.

B.L.U.

2 (a) A British Liaison Unit is attached to each Gruppo. It comprises members of the following Branches and Services: G, A, Q, RE, Sigs, ST, Ord and REME.

(b) All communications by Areas and Services will be addressed to B.L.U. and not to the Gruppo HQ or units of the Gruppo direct. Nor will copies of correspondence be sent to the Gruppo direct.

(c) Responsibility for local adm of B.L.U. rests with the fmn under whose adm command Gruppo is placed.

COMMAND

3 (a) Gruppi located in this District will be directly under comd this HQ or may be placed under comd an operational HQ e.g. a Corps. (See para 17)

(b) All Italian personnel will be subject to Italian Military Law and will be adm by Italian officers in accordance with Italian Military Code.

ARREST

4 Allied Military authorities have power to arrest and hold in temporary custody personnel of Gruppi alleged to be guilty of any offence, pending investigation and handing over of the offender for trial by Italian authorities under Italian law. The power will be exercised in the same manner as for the arrest of Allied personnel.

LEAVE

5 (a) If the military situation permits, privilege leave may be given to personnel for a period of seven days, excl travelling time, not more than once in six months. Compassionate leave may also be granted in proper cases. Normally not more than five percent of a unit may be away at any one time on privilege and/or compassionate leave.

(b) [illegible]

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(b) ~~Tps proceeding on leave North of Rear Army Security Control Line, now line Lucca – Pistoia – Rimini, will be in possession of standard AMG yellow movement permit. Permits will be completed by B.L.U. who will hold stocks for issue.~~ SEE (b)

FINANCE

6 (a) Provision of funds for payment of Italian personnel and for meeting of other expenses is primarily an Italian responsibility.

(b) Where, however, for any reason it is impracticable for the Gruppo HQ or any unit of the Gruppo to draw funds from Italian sources, bulk advances may be drawn from nearest British Field or Area Cashier under arrangements B.L.U.

WELFARE

7 (a) Provision of Welfare facilities is primarily an Italian responsibility.

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(b) Every assistance will be given by Areas to Italian authorities in arranging welfare facilities for Italian Gruppi short of provision of funds, foodstuffs and stores from Br Army sources.

MAINTENANCE

8 Policy

Maint of Gruppi is a Br responsibility. Demands for stores, and their supply will be carried out in exactly the same way as for any other formation under Br command unless otherwise stated below.

SUPPLIES

9 (a) Provision

All items will be issued from British depots.

(b) Scale

Normal Italian Basic Scale. See Apnx 'A'.

(c) Bread

It is planned to supplement Br Bakery resources by formation of Italian Mobile Bakeries. These will be used either to increase staff of existing Br Military Bakeries or to operate civilian bakeries. They will form part of District Pool of Bakeries and need not necessarily be employed on baking of bread for Gruppi if they can be more economically employed otherwise.

COKE AND COAL

10 Issues will be made on same scale and conditions as to Br units.

PETROL

11 (a) Issues will be made as to Br fmns.

(b) Issues will only be made on production of Work Tickets duly completed.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

12 (a) Provision is a Br Military responsibility.

(b) Indents will be submitted and issues made in the same manner as

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(c) Scale of clothing and personal equipment is at Appendix 'B'.

CONTROLLED STORES AND VEHICLES

13 These will be demanded in normal manner through Staff channels to this HQ.

MEDICAL SERVICES AND STORES

14 (a) Provision of medical services is an Italian responsibility. Cases will be admitted to Br hospitals only in emergency.

(b) Each Gruppo has two Fd hospitals. Evacuation from these will be to Italian Military Hospitals at Frassinoto and Ancona. Evacuation from these to Italian Base Hospitals will be arranged by Areas.

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(c) Provision of Medical stores and hospital comforts is an Italian responsibility and only in emergency will they be issued from Br depots. Italian depots are established at Osimo and Perugia. Stores will be drawn through HQ 209 Div.

E.F.I.

15 (a) The issue of a limited quantity and range of EFI supplies to Italian personnel is authorised.

(b) Bulk demands will be submitted by B.L.O. to EFI.

(c) Scale of issues is at Appx 'C'.

ACCOMMODATION

16 (a) Areas will be allocated by this HQ. Detailed layout will be arranged by Gruppi in consultation with Area/Sub Area in whose territory they are.

(b) All properties occupied by Gruppi will be requisitioned by Italian authorities.

(c) Where buildings under Br requisitioning are occupied, local claims officer will be notified immediately by Area /Sub Area.

(d) Billetting will only be resorted to in special cases when small numbers are involved.

(e) Works Services

(i) Provision of stores is a Br responsibility.

(ii) Minor works services will be treated as normal maint and dealt with by area concerned in same manner as minor works for Br units. All other applications for wks services will be forwarded to this HQ for approval.

(iii) Work will be carried out by Italian Engineers whenever practicable.

GRUPPI UNDER COND OPERATIONAL H.Q.

17 (a) Instructions will be issued by the operational HQ.

(b) See also para 24 this HQ Adm Instruction No.37.

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D.A. & Q.M.G.
No.1 District

C.M.F.
JPG/BO

DISTRIBUTION:-

H" 10 Corps	(1)
55 Area	(2)
61 Area	(2)
71 Sub Area	(2)
50 B.L.U.	(3)
M.I.A. LO	(1)
List 'A' less 15, 16, 22	

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APPENDIX "A" to
Instruction No 38
dated 14 Dec 4

RATION - SUBSISTENCE SCALE

1. The following items of the Single Scale Italian ration will be furnished from Allied Sources:

Flour	12 oz.
Dried vegetables, ounces per ration	2 oz.
Meat, canned, or fish preserved	3 oz.
Cheese	1 oz.
Sugar	1 oz.
Macaroni	3 oz.
Rice	1 oz.
Vegetables, dehydrated	1 oz.
Catsup, or tomato paste	1 oz.
Coffee	oz.
Pepper	oz.
Matches, per 7 rations, box (small)	1/200
book, commercial type, ea	1 oz.
	2

2. The following items, to complete the ration, will be procured by the Italian Government.

Fruit	4 oz.
Vegetables, Fresh	3 oz.
Olive Oil	1 oz.
Nuts	1 oz.
Salt	oz.
Wine, litre	oz.
	2

3. The total caloric value of the ration is 3290.

APPENDIX "B" to
Instruction No. 33
dated 14 Dec 44.

CLOTHING SCALE.

Blouse, Battle dress or US equivalents	ea 1
Trousers, Battledress or US equivalents	ea 1
Shirt, Cotton	ea 2
Belt, web, waist	

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Coffee	1/200
Pepper	
Matches, per 7 rations, box (small)	1 oz.
book, commercial type, ea	2

2. The following items, to complete the ration, will be procured by the Italian Government.

Fruit	4 oz.
Vegetables, fresh	8 oz.
Olive Oil	1 oz.
Nuts	oz.
Salt	oz.
Wine, litre	

3. The total caloric value of the ration is 3290.

APPENDIX "B" to
Instruction No. 33
dated 14 Dec 44.

CLOTHING SCALE.

Blouse, Battle dress or US equivalents	ea 1
Trousers, Battledress or US equivalents	ea 2
Shirt, Cotton	ea 1
Belt, web, waist	ea 2
Drawers, Wool	
Undershirt, wool or pullover	ea 2
(1 pullover equals 2 undershirts, wool)	ea 1
Towel	ea 1
Cap, field	ea 1
Overcoat, or mackinaw	pr 1
Boots or shoes	
(2 prs authorised in winter if supplies permit)	pr 3
Socks	pr 1
Anklets, or leggins (when required)	ea 1
Sewing Kit, initial issue only	
Blankets, or comforter (1 comforter equals	ea 2
2 blankets)	ea 1
Packcarrier (When required)	ea 1
Canteen (When required)	ea 1
Mess Kit (including fork, spoon and cup)	

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Apnx 'C' to No.1 District
Instruction No.38

E.F.I. SCALE OF ISSUE

ITEM	INITIAL ISSUE	MAINTENANCE
Razors	1 per 2 men	NIL
Razor Blades	-	2 per 1 month
Toothbrush	1	1 per 4 months
Shaving Brush	1 per 2 men	NIL

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SECRET AKD/4 (40)

SUBJECT :- Move

52 BLU,
AQ/8/87,
17 Mar 45.

DADOS 52 BLU.

It is confirmed that on the move of the Gruppo on 18 March the DADOS dump together with the OFP and the heavy workshops will remain in their present sites. BLU personnel attached to these Units will remain with them.

Forward recces will be carried out soonest for new sites, and you will be notified immediately such sites are found.

CMF
RWG/BB

Major,
DAA & QMG.

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Subject:- Ord. Services.

52 B.L.U.,
C.M.F.
ORD/4.
17 Mar. 45.

Capo Ufficio Commissariato,
G. di C.,
Legnano.

1. It is pointed out that the Ord. Servicesof the Legnano Gruppo have beem unable to collect stores from Railhead for three days as no transport has been available.

2. Ord. has gone to some considerable inconvenience to bring these stores to Railhead by the fastest possible means as it was represented that the Stores were of operational urgency.

3. As units started to move from this area on the 15 Mar., and were unable to collect stores, Ord. Services have been at a standstill since that date, and will not be able to function again until DADOS Dump is moved into new location.

4. No definite date has been given for this move but it is understood that this will not take plaee before 21 Mar; this will mean that the Gruppo will be without Ord. Services for at least seven days.

Maj Major,
(G.W. Gordon.)
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject:-Transport.

52 B.L.U.,
C.M.F.
ORD/4.
17 Mar. 45.

Capo Ufficio Commissariato,
G. di C.,
Legnano.

1. It is pointed out thatthe Ord. Services(Iti) have no transport and are therefore unable to carry out their Ord. duties.

2. Now that the initial equipping of the Gruppo has been completed it is necessary for the Capo di Combattimento to visit units every day .

3. It is considered that the following transport is required:-

One Jeep - For the use of the Capo di Combattimento.

Two 15 cwt. -For the delivery and collection of stores urgently required.

One M/c. - Communications.

Major,
(G.W. Gordon.)
D.A.D.O.S.

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Subject:- Issues of Stores And Equipment.

52 British Liaison Unit
C.M.F.
ORD/4
11 Mar. 45.

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G.S.O.1
52 B.L.U.

Reference your G/37/65 dated 3rd March.

1. Herewith deficiencies of stores; equipments and vehicles as at 10th March 45?

Major.
(G.W. GORDON)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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Subject:- Denim Overalls.

52 British Liaison Unit
C.M.
ORD/4
Mar 45.

D.A.M.& Q.M.G.
52 B.L.U.

Reference your AQ/3/77 dated 8th Mar 45.

1. The inclusion of overalls combination in the N.E.L. of Legnano Gruppo has been represented to AFHQ and a decision is expected shortly.

2. It is pointed out that 1500 trousers K.D. have been issued to Gruppi in lieu of overalls.

Major.
(G.W. GORDON.)
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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ORD/4.

SUBJECT:- Italian Combat Group - Staff Table

SECRET

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

TEL.NO.FREEDOM 971

AFHQ/6520/15/G(AE)

3 Mar 45.

To All Concerned.

Copies of Staff Table showing entitlement of an Italian Combat Group to 'A' and 'B' Vehicles, artillery and other important stores, are forwarded as indicated below for information and retention.

R L Nichaelson
Act.

EMS/ES.

R.L. NICHAELSON, Lt.Col.
for Major General, G-4 (B).

Distribution	Copy No.		
50 BLU	1 - 3	Hq Inf	51
51 BLU	4 - 6	S & T	52
52 BLU	7 - 9	REME	53
53 BLU	10 - 12	SCS	54
56 BLU	13 - 15	CAO	55
Hq Br Inc 5 US Army	16 - 18	A/DMG	56
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G-2	40	File	67
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G-3 (Trng)	42		
G-3 (Org)	43		
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DPM	49		
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SECRET

Sheet 1

Italian Combat Group

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Staff Table
showing Entitlement to
'A' and 'B' Vehicles, Artillery and other important Stores.

Edition 1 - Feb 45

Table 1 - Composition of an Italian Combat Group

Table 2 - Entitlement to 'A' Vehicles

Table 3 - Entitlement to 'B' Vehicles

Table 4 - Entitlement to Artillery and other Stores (less Signal Stores)

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(b) The serial numbers allotted to each item are census code numbers. These should be quoted in any reference to the items included in this Staff Table.

(c) Summarised totals of Vehicles are given at the end of each of Tables 2 and 3.

(d) The figures shewn in column (d) of Tables 2, 3, 4, and 5 are the sum of the products of unit entitlement multiplied by the number of units concerned

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Table 1

Composition - Italian Combat Group

Unit Serial Number	Unit Designation	War Est Reference	Special Equipment List Reference	Number of units in Group
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	British Liaison Unit	CM/508/1	152/1	1
2	Italian Increment to British Liaison Unit	CM/509/1	NIL	1
3	HQ Combat Group	CM/523/1	119/1	1
4	Artillery Regiment	CM/525/1	134/1	1
5	HQ Engineer Battalion	CM/528/1	120/1	1
6	Field Company	CM/529/2	122/2	2
7	Signal Company	CM/530/1	121/1	1
8	Infantry Regiment			2
	HQ HQ Company Mortar Company 6 pr Gun Company	CM/526/1	135/1	
	Three Infantry Battalions	CM/527/1	136/1	
9	Transport and Supply Company			1
	HQ	CM/531/1	123/1	
	Three RDIs	CM/532/1	124/1	
	Three Transport Platoons	CM/533/1	125/1	
	Two Composite Platoons	CM/534/1	126/1	
	One Mechanical Engineers			

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3	HQ Combat Group	CM/523/1	119/1	1
4	Artillery Regiment	CM/525/1	134/1	1
5	HQ Engineer Battalion	CM/528/1	120/1	1
6	Field Company	CM/529/2	122/2	2
7	Signal Company	CM/530/1	121/1	1
8	Infantry Regiment			2
	HQ HQ Company Mortar Company 6 pr Gun Company	CM/526/1	135/1	
	Three Infantry Battalions	CM/527/1	136/1	
9	Transport and Supply Company			1
	HQ	CM/531/1	123/1	
	Three RDIs	CM/532/1	124/1	
	Three Transport Platoons	CM/533/1	125/1	
	Two Composite Platoons	CM/534/1	126/1	
	One Mechanical Engineers Platoon	CM/539/1	127/1	
10.	Medical Section	CM/535/1	131/1	1
11.	Field Hospital	CM/536/1	132/1	2
12.	Ordnance Field Park	CM/537/1	128/1	1
13	Mechanical Engineers Workshop	CM/538/1	129/1	1
14	Light Aid Detachments	CM/540/1	130/1	6
15	Provost Section	CM/524/1	133/1	2

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Table 2

Entitlement of an Italian Combat Group, composed as in Table 1, to 'A' Vehicles.

Item Serial Number	Designation of Item and Special Equipment List Reference of Units	Entitlement per Unit	Total Group Entitlement
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
5001 00	Carriers Universal		99
	134/1	3	
	136/1	16	
5070 00	Carriers 3" Mortar		48
	135/1	9	
	136/1	5	
5140 00	Carriers Tracked Towing		82
	135/1	26	
	136/1	5	
6034 00 6034 10	Cars Light Recce		17
	119/1	1	
	134/1	12	
	122/2	2	
6128 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x4 Armoured Personnel		22
	122/2	5	
	121/1	12	

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Item Serial Number	Designation of Item and Special Equipment List Reference of Units	Entitlement per Unit	Total Group Entitlement
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
5001 00	Carriers Universal		99
	134/1	3	
	136/1	16	
5070 00	Carriers 3" Mortar		48
	135/1	9	
	136/1	5	
5140 00	Carriers Tracked Towing		82
	135/1	26	
	136/1	5	
6034 00) 6034 10)	Cars Light Recce		17
	119/1	1	
	134/1	12	
	122/2	2	
6128 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x4 Armoured Personnel		22
	122/2	5	
	121/1	12 2771	

Summary

Total Carriers	229
Total Other 'A' Vehicles	39
Grand Total 'A' Vehicles	268

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ENTITLEMENT OF AN ITALIAN COMBAT GROUP, COMPOSED AS IN TABLE 1, TO "B" VEHICLES

Item Serial Number (a)	Designation of Item and Special Equipment List Reference of Units (b)	Entitlement per Unit. (c)	Total Group Entitlement (d)
6004 00 6004 10	Motor Cycles Solo		354
	152/1	2	
	119/1	10	
	134/1	52	
	120/1	2	
	122/2	12	
	121/1	35	
	135/1	19	
	136/1	18	
	123/1	5	
	125/1	3	
	126/1	6	
	127/1	2	
	131/1	5	
	128/1	5	
	129/1	5	
	130/1	2	
	133/1	14	
6012 00	Cars Light Utility 4x2		76
	152/1	3	
	119/1	5	
	134/1	29	
	135/1	4	
	136/1	2	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	131/1	5	
	132/1	1	
	133/1	1	
6014 00	Cars 4 seater 4x2		23
	119/1	3	
	134/1	7	
	135/1	2	
	136/1	1	
	123/1	1	
	131/1	1	
	128/1	1	
6018 00	Cars 4 seater 4x4		2
	152/1	1	

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	152/1	2	
	119/1	10	
	134/1	52	
	120/1	2	
	122/2	12	
	121/1	35	
	135/1	19	
	136/1	18	
	123/1	5	
	125/1	3	
	126/1	6	
	127/1	2	
	131/1	5	
	128/1	5	
	129/1	5	
	130/1	2	
	133/1	14	
6012 00	Cars Light Utility 4x2		76
	152/1	3	
	119/1	5	
	134/1	29	
	135/1	4	
	136/1	2	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	131/1	5	
	132/1	1	
	133/1	1	
6014 00	Cars 4 scater 4x2		23
	119/1	3	
	134/1	7	
	135/1	2	
	136/1	1	
	123/1	1	
	131/1	1	
	128/1	1	
6018 00	Cars 4 scater 4x4		2
	152/1	1	
	120/1	1	
6038 00	Cars 5 cwt 4x4		14
	152/1	3	
	120/1	1	
	122/2	2	
	128/1	3	
	129/1	3	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
6050 00	Ambulances 2 stretcher 4x4		18
	131/1	18	
6120 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 GS		289
	152/1	3	
	119/1	4	
	134/1	37	
	122/2	5	
	121/1	7	
	135/1	25	
	136/1	24	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	127/1	2	
	128/1	4	
	129/1	11	
	130/1	1	
	133/1	3	
6140 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Compressor		6
	122/2	3	
6148 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Machy Type KL		1
	129/1	1	
6150 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Machinery 9 KW Generator		1
	129/1	1	
6152 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Office		7
	119/1	3	
	134/1	1	
	121/1	1	
	135/1	1	
6156 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Personnel		1
	134/1	1	
6172 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Wazer 200 gallon		23
	119/1	1	
	134/1	8	
	122/2	1	
	135/1	1	
	136/1	1	
	131/1	2	
	128/1	1	
	129/1	1	

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	125/1		1	
	127/1		2	
	128/1		4	
	129/1		11	
	130/1		1	
	133/1		3	
	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Compressor			6
6140 00	122/2		3	
6148 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Hachy Type KL			1
	129/1		1	
6150 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Machinery 9 KW Generator			1
	129/1		1	
6152 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Office			7
	119/1		3	
	134/1		1	
	121/1		1	
	135/1		1	
6156 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Personnel			1
	134/1		1	
6172 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Water 200 gallon			23
	119/1		1	
	134/1		8	
	122/2		1	
	135/1		1	
	136/1		1	
	131/1		2	
	128/1		1	
	129/1		1	
6176 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Wireless			22
	152/1		2	
	121/1		20	
6179 00	Trucks 15 cwt 4x2 Fitted for Wireless			26
	134/1		26	
6240 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 GS			301
	152/1		5	
	119/1		3	
	134/1		48	
	135/1		12	
	136/1		11	
	123/1		3	
	125/1		31	
	126/1		2	
	127/1		5	
	131/1		15	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
6240 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 GS (Contd)		
	132/1	4	
	128/1	12	
	129/1	13	
	133/1	1	
6241 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x4 GS		39
	120/1	2	
	122/2	10	
	121/1	17	
6257 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Battery Storage		1
	128/1	1	
6269 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Breakdown Light		2
	127/1	2	
~~6282/20~~	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Breakdown Light		5
	129/1	5	
6284 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x4 Cipher Office		1
	121/1	1	
6296 ~~00~~	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Crane Turntables		1
	128/1	1	
6308 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Disinfestor		1
	131/1	1	
6340 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Machinery Battery Charging		1
	128/1	1	
6341 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type A		1
	129/1	1	
6344 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type D1		1
	129/1	1	
6346 ~~10~~	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type F		1
	129/1	1	
6348 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type I		1
	129/1	1	
6355 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type Z		1
	129/1	1	
6366 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Office		4
	128/1	4	

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6257 00	128/1	1	
6269 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Breakdown Light 127/1	2	2
6269/20	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Breakdown Light 129/1	5	5
6284 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x4 Cipher Office 121/1	1	1
6296 00	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Crane Turntables 128/1	1	1
6308 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Disinfestor 131/1	1	1
6340 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Machinery Battery Charging 128/1	1	1
6341 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type A 129/1	1	1
6344 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type D1 129/1	1	1
6346 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type F 129/1	1	1
6348 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type I 129/1	1	1
6355 10	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Machinery Type Z 129/1	1	1
6366 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Office 128/1	4	4
6418 00	Lorries 3 ton 6x4 Stores Binned 129/1 130/1	6 1	12
6420 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x4 TEV 121/1	1	1
6440 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x4 Winch 122/2	3	6
6450 00	Lorries 3 ton 4x2 Workshop RASC 127/1	2	2
6480 00	Lorries 6 ton 4x2 GS 128/1	10	10

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
6606 00	Tractors 4x4 LAA		12
	134/1	12	
6613 00	Tractors 4x4 Anti Tank 17 pdr		9
	134/1	9	
6616 00	Tractors 6x4 Breakdown Heavy		8
	129/1	2	
	130/1	1	
6620/00	Tractors 4x4 Field Artillery		48
	134/1	48	
6708 00	Trailers 10 cwt 2 wh GS		1
	129/1	1	
6716 00	Trailers 15 cwt 2 wh Machinery Gas Welding		1
	129/1	1	
6724 00	Trailer 15 cwt 2 wh Water 180 gallon		14
	152/1	1	
	134/1	1	
	121/1	1	
	136/1	1	
	123/1	1	
	125/1	1	
	127/1	1	
6728 00	Trailers 1 ton 2 wh GS		12
	122/2	4	
	135/1	2	
6944 00	Trailers 7½ ton 6 wh Light Recovery		3
	129/1	3	

SUMMARY

Total Motor Cycles.....354
Total Trailers..... 31
Total Other "B" Vehicle.....978

Grand Total "B" Vehicles.....1363

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Table 4

Entitlement of an Italian Combat Group, composed as in Table 1, to Artillery and other Stores (less Signal Stores)

Item Serial Number	Designation of Item and Special Equipment List reference of units	Entitlement per Unit	Total Group Entitlement
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1001 00	Pistols Revolver		445
	152/1	19	
	119/1	28	
	134/1	92	
	120/1	6	
	122/2	5	
	121/1	7	
	135/1	23	
	136/1	31	
	123/1	4	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	3	
	127/1	1	
	131/1	13	
	132/1	5	
	128/1	4	
	129/1	6	
	133/1	2	
1020 00	Rifles .303		5407
	152/1	18	
	119/1	79	
	134/1	628	
	120/1	7	
	122/2	180	
	121/1	137	
	135/1	256	
	136/1	552	
	123/1	20	
	125/1	8	
	126/1	29	
	127/1	30	
	131/1	6	
	128/1	46	
	129/1	116	
	130/1	9	

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		152/1	19	
		119/1	28	
		134/1	92	
		120/1	6	
		122/2	5	
		121/1	7	
		135/1	23	
		136/1	31	
		123/1	4	
		125/1	1	
		126/1	3	
		127/1	1	
		131/1	13	
		132/1	5	
		128/1	4	
		129/1	6	
		133/1	2	
1020 00	Rifles .303			5407
		152/1	18	
		119/1	79	
		134/1	628	
		120/1	7	
		122/2	180	
		121/1	137	
		135/1	256	
		136/1	552	
		123/1	20	
		125/1	8	
		126/1	29	
		127/1	30	
		131/1	6	
		128/1	46	
		129/1	116	
		130/1	9	
1025 00	Rifles Telescopic			2766 24
		136/1	4	
1040 30	Carbines TSMG			2560
		152/1	17	
		119/1	34	
		134/1	769	
		120/1	7	
		122/2	35	
		121/1	182	
		135/1	102	
		136/1	142	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1040 30	Carbines TSMG (contd)		
	123/1	14	
	124/1	13	
	125/1	35	
	126/1	7	
	127/1	7	
	131/1	49	
	132/1	6	
	128/1	19	
	129/1	48	
	130/1	3	
	133/1	50	
1060 00	Pistols Signal		66
	134/1	14	
	135/1	8	
	136/1	6	
1100 00	Guns Machine Bren .303 in.		500
	134/1	36	
	122/2	12	
	121/1	8	
	135/1	8	
	136/1	64	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	6	
	127/1	2	
	128/1	4	
	129/1	4	
	133/1	1	
1200 00	CML 2 in. Mortar		140
	121/1	2	
	136/1	23	
1210 00	CML 3 in. Mortar		40
	135/1	8	
	136/1	4	
1280 00	Projectors Infantry Anti-Tank		178
	134/1	36	
	122/2	5	
	121/1	5	
	135/1	3	
	136/1	20	

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	133/1	50	
1060 00	Pistols Signal		66
	134/1	14	
	135/1	8	
	136/1	6	
1100 00	Guns Machine Bren .303 in.		500
	134/1	36	
	122/2	12	
	121/1	8	
	135/1	8	
	136/1	64	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	6	
	127/1	2	
	128/1	4	
	129/1	4	
	133/1	1	
1200 00	CML 2 in. Mortar		140
	121/1	2	
	136/1	23	
1210 00	CML 3 in. Mortar		40
	135/1	8	
	136/1	4	
1280 00	Projectors Infantry Anti-Tank		178
	134/1	36	
	122/2	5	
	121/1	5	
	135/1	3	
	136/1	20	
	127/1	1	
1300 00	Watches GS	2765	399
	152/1	6	
	119/1	2	
	134/1	78	
	120/1	2	
	121/1	79	
	135/1	11	
	136/1	27	
	125/1	1	
	131/1	1	
	133/1	22	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1321 00	Compasses Prismatic		335
	152/1	16	
	119/1	5	
	134/1	72	
	120/1	2	
	122/2	4	
	121/1	15	
	135/1	15	
	136/1	27	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	129/1	3	
	133/1	1	
1350 00	Binoculars Prismatic No.2		318
	152/1	16	
	119/1	7	
	134/1	88	
	120/1	2	
	135/1	14	
	136/1	27	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	129/1	3	
	133/1	1	
1351 00	Binoculars Prismatic No.5		19
	134/1	19	
1360 00	Telescopes Signalling		68
	134/1	8	
	136/1	10	
3190 00	Stereoscopes Universal		1
	120/1	1	
3192 00	Stereoscopes Universal Bars Parallax		1
	120/1	1	
3200 00	Tapes Measuring Steel 100-ft	2764	3

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	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	129/1	3	
	133/1	1	
1350 00	Binoculars Prismatic No.2		318
	152/1	16	
	119/1	7	
	134/1	88	
	120/1	2	
	135/1	14	
	136/1	27	
	123/1	2	
	125/1	1	
	126/1	2	
	127/1	1	
	129/1	3	
	133/1	1	
1351 00	Binoculars Prismatic No.5		19
	134/1	19	
1360 00	Telescopes Signalling		68
	134/1	8	
	136/1	10	
3190 00	Stereoscopes Universal		1
	120/1	1	
3192 00	Stereoscopes Universal Bars Parallax		1
	120/1	1	
3200 00	Tapes Measuring Steel 100-ft	2764	3
	120/1	1	
	122/2	1	
3230 00	Camouflet Equipment		6 Sets
	122/2	3 Sets	
3250 00	Concrete Breakers Pneumatic No.1 or 2		4
	122/2	2	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
3290 00	Hammer Drills		8
	122/2	4	
3301 00	Picks Light		8
	122/2	4	
3410 00	Saws Pneumatic		4
	122/2	2	
3440 00	Wood Borers		4
	122/2	2	
3455 00	Lighting Sets 1 KW		1
	131/1	1	
3490 00	Detectors Mine		41
	134/1	1	
	122/2	8	
	136/1	4	
4001 00	OQF 40 mm Equipments		12
	134/1	12	
4247 00	Predictors AA No.3		12
	134/1	12	
4270 00	Watches Stop 1/10 Sec		4
	134/1	3	
	129/1	1	
4280 00	Generating Set 2.75 KVA		12
	134/1	12	
4340 00	OQF 6 pr		36
	135/1	12	
	136/1	2	
4350 00	OQF 17 pr		

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3440 00	Wood Borers		4
	122/2	2	
3455 00	Lighting Sets 1 KW		1
	131/1	1	
3490 00	Detectors Mine		41
	134/1	1	
	122/2	8	
	136/1	4	
4001 00	OQF 40 mm Equipments		12
	134/1	12	
4247 00	Predictors AA No.3		12
	134/1	12	
4270 00	Watches Stop 1/10 Sec		4
	134/1	3	
	129/1	1	
4280 00	Generating Set 2.75 KVA		12
	134/1	12	
4340 00	OQF 6 pr		36
	135/1	12	
	136/1	2	
4350 00	OQF 17 pr		8
	134/1	8	
4370 00	OQF 25 pr		32
	134/1	32	
4472 00	Trailers Artillery No.27		64
	134/1	64	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
4500 00	Watches Stop 1/5 Sec		5
	134/1	5	
4510 00	Telescopes Sighting 22c, 29 or 41		44
	134/1	44	
4550 00	Sights Dial		40
	134/1	40	
4560 00	Clinometers Sight		40
	134/1	40	
4565 00	Clinometers Field		9
	134/1	8	
	129/1	1	
4570 00	Parallelloscopes		32
	134/1	8	
4580 00	Rangefinders No.2		6
	134/1	6	
4582 00	Rangefinders No.13		2
	134/1	2	
4590 00	Directors Artillery No.7		20
	134/1	20	
4600 00	Stands Instrument No.13		8
	134/1	8	
4603 00	Stands Instrument No.18		1
	134/1	1	
4605 00	Stands Instrument No.27		53
	134/1	53	

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4560 00	Clinometers Sight		
	134/1	40	
4565 00	Clinometers Field		9
	134/1	8	
	129/1	1	
4570 00	Parallelloscopes		32
	134/1	8	
4580 00	Rangefinders No.2		6
	134/1	6	
4582 00	Rangefinders No.13		2
	134/1	2	
4590 00	Directors Artillery No.7		20
	134/1	20	
4600 00	Stands Instrument No.13		8
	134/1	8	
4603 00	Stands Instrument No.18		1
	134/1	1	
4605 00	Stands Instrument No.27		53
	134/1	53	
4607 00	Stands Instrument No.39		20
	134/1	20	
4655 00	Boards Artillery No.3		18
	134/1	18	
4680 00	Periscopes 14A		4
	134/1	4	
4820 00	Telescopes Stereoscopic		1
	134/1	1	
4865 00	Clinometers Large		1
	129/1	1	

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Table 5

Sheet 13

Entitlement of an Italian Combat Group composed as in Table 1 to Signal Stores

Item Serial Number	Designation of Item and Special Equipment List Reference of Units	Entitlement per unit	Total Group Entitlement
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
7060 00	Cable Layers Mechanical No.1		1
	121/1	1	
7070 00	Frame D & P 10 wire		9
	152/1	1	
	121/1	8	
7140	Fullerphones		42
	152/1	2	
	121/1	10	
	136/1	5	
7150	Telephone Sets 'D' Mk.V		184
	152/1	8	
	134/1	72	
	121/1	56	
	136/1	6	
7160	Telephone Sets 'F' Mk.I, IA or 2		31
	121/1	30	
	129/1	1	
7180	Telephone Sets Loud Speaking No.2		8
	134/1	8	
7200	Switchboards U/C 10 line		51
	152/1	1	
	134/1	6	
	121/1	8	
	136/1	6	
7220	Switchboards F & F 40 line		1
	121/1	1	
7286 00	Test Frames 40 pair		1
	121/1	1	
7325	Wireless Sets No.18 or No.48		104
	134/1	12	
	135/1	7	
	136/1	13	

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7140	Fullerphones		42
	152/1	2	
	121/1	10	
	136/1	5	
7150	Telephone Sets 'D' Mk.V		184
	152/1	8	
	134/1	72	
	121/1	56	
	136/1	8	
7160	Telephone Sets 'F' Mk.I, IA or 2		31
	121/1	30	
	129/1	1	
7180	Telephone Sets Loud Speaking No.2		8
	134/1	8	
7200	Switchboards U/C 10 line		51
	152/1	1	
	134/1	6	
	121/1	8	
	136/1	6	
7220	Switchboards F & F 40 line		1
	121/1	1	
7286 00	Test Frames 40 pair		1
	121/1	1	
7325	Wireless Sets No.18 or No.48		104
	134/1	12	
	135/1	7	
	136/1	13	
7375	Wireless Sets No.22 B	2761	4
	134/1	4	
7375 01	Wireless Sets No.22 Truck		53
	134/1	41	
	121/1	12	
7375 06	Wireless Sets No.22 Carrier		1
	134/1	1	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
7325 99	Wireless Sets No.18 Carrier		3
	134/1	3	
7350	Wireless Sets No.19 Truck Ground		14
	121/1	14	
7810 00	Reception Sets R.107		5
	152/1	1	
	121/1	4	
7815 00	Reception Sets R.109		4
	134/1	4	
7905	Wavemeters 'D' No.1		12
	152/1	1	
	134/1	6	
	121/1	5	
7921	Charging Sets 300 watt		57
	134/1	45	
	121/1	12	
7923	Charging Sets 1260 watt		8
	152/1	1	
	134/1	5	
	121/1	2	
7924 or 7925	Charging Sets 4 kw		4
	121/1	4	
7981 00	Cable Electric D8 Single - miles		96
	121/1	96	
7981 00(A)	Cable Electric W 110 Single - miles		226
	134/1	68	
	121/1	56	
	136/1	17	
7981 01	Cable Electric D8 double - yards		6000
	134/1	6000	
7981 01(A)	Cable Electric W 110B double - yards		79200
	134/1	18480	
	121/1	60720	

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7810 00	Reception Sets R.107		5
	152/1	1	
	121/1	4	
7815 00	Reception Sets R.109		4
	134/1	4	
7905	Wavemeters 'D' No.1		12
	152/1	1	
	134/1	6	
	121/1	5	
7921	Charging Sets 300 watt		57
	134/1	45	
	121/1	12	
7923	Charging Sets 1260 watt		8
	152/1	1	
	134/1	5	
	121/1	2	
7924 or 7925	Charging Sets 4 kw		4
	121/1	4	
7981 00	Cable Electric D8 Single - miles		96
	121/1	96	
7981 00(A)	Cable Electric W 110 Single - miles		226
	134/1	68	
	121/1	56	
	136/1	17	
7981 01	Cable Electric D8 double - yards		6000
	134/1	6000	
7981 01(A)	Cable Electric W 110B double - yards		79200
	134/1	18480	
	121/1	60720	

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(A) = American equivalent of corresponding British type

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Subject:- Transport for B.O.W.O's.

52 B.L.U.,
C.M.F.
ORD/4.
10 Mar.45.

G.1.,
52 B.L.U.

1. It has been represented to me by the Brigade Ordnance Warrant Officers attached to the 68th. Inf. Regt., and the 11th. Artillery Regt., that they are not getting the transport facilities necessary properly and efficiently to carry out their functions.

2. It must be appreciated that, although they are billeted with each of the main components of this Gruppo, they have also to administer other ancillary units. In addition they have, especially at this stage of mobilisation, to pay frequent visits to this DUMP.

3. The B.O.W.O's were put out with the equivalent of Brigades in order to achieve closer contact. This is not being achieved and will not, and the B.O.W.O's cannot do a full job until they have complete mobility.

4 Can it please be impressed upon the Italian Command that the B.O.W.O's must each have a vehicle alloted to him for his complete and undisturbed use.

Major.
(G.W. Gordon)
D.A.D.O.S.

Copy to:-

D.D.O.S.,
1 District.
Ref. telephone conversation
(Major Burgess - Capt. Clark) of 9 Mar. 1945.

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Subject:- Maintenance of Weapons.

52 B.L.U.
C.M.F.4.
ORD/[illegible].
10 Mar.45.

Capo di Commissariato;
Gruppo di Combattimento "Legnano".

1. It has been reported by R.E.M.E. that the Small Arms and Mortars of the Piedmonte Bn. are not being maintained in a satisfactory manner due to cleaning materials not being available.

2. The Regt. has issued to this Battalion cleaning materials to scale. Please enquire into this matter and report if the scale of issue is sufficient.

A.A.A. Gordon
Major.
(G.W. Gordon.)
D.A.D.O.S.

Copy to:-
S.Q.M.S. Yarrow.

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SUBJECT:- Denim Overalls

52 British Liaison Unit.
CMF.
8 Mar 45

To:- DADOS
52 BLU

AC/3/77

ORD/14/32

Herewith translation of letter from Legnano on the above subject. Will you please investigate into the matter and supply the Gruppo with an answer.

SEE 36

A.A.Q. Major.
for, DAA&QMG.

WN.

TRANSLATION of Legnano letter C6/1320 dated 2 Mar 45.

Subject:- Suggestion for amendment to "Normal Equipment List."

To:- 52 BLU
DAA&QMG.

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(FATIGUE) DENIM OVERALLS FOR DVRS, MECHS, D.Rs. Cooks etc;

The "Normal Equipment List" for Combat Groups does not include denims for Dvrs, DRs, Mechs, Cooks, etc.

Several times already have requests been made, but so far without any success.

The a/m specialists are, due to their specific duties, in need of denims. The only suit, they have, becomes after a few days inevitably U/S.

This of course, causes a considerable waste of Battle dress suits and the a/m personnel are always dirtily clad.

Will you, therefore, please contact AFHQ requesting

.....them...../P.T.O.

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them to include in the "N.E.L." for Italian Combat Groups the assignment of DENIM OVERALLS for the above mentioned categories.

Col. F. Garofoli
Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT:- Ovens Bakery

52 British Liaison Unit.
CMF.
2 March 45

ST/14/2

To:- DADOS
52 BIU

The attached copy of letter from Chief of Staff of "Legnano" if forwarded for your information and any hastening action that you may be able to take.

L.M. Ruffell
Major.
DADST.

LAP/WN.

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COPY

(3 A)

SUBJECT:- Mechanical Oven

HQ Legnano
03/562
27 Feb 45

To:- 52 BIU

We were informed the the Mechanical Oven which was to be issued to the Field Bakery had arrived.

Actually the stove has not yet reached us

We want to stress the necessity of obtaining this stove sometime before going into the line, in order to give our personnel the opportunity of training on it when there are other facilities for bread-making.

There is not the least doubt of the necessity of obtaining the oven, at the present time we are making use of civilian ovens at the price of the following inconveniencies:-

Uneconomic use of manpower. The 30 men allowed by the WE of the unit are not enough. At least twice this number of men are required whenever production is being carried on with two ovens; the number would increase considerably if we had to work on more than this number of ovens.

Immovability of furnaces. This necessitates transportation of bread over long distances with consequent deterioration of the bread.

Variable quality and weight of loaves

Difficulty of control of personnel and production.

Under present conditions all these problems are soluble but during advance or deployment the situation might become much more difficult to solve.

Referred to Maj Burgess 15 FD

Steel Wks

Col Allen. Mill -

By Order of
The CHIEF OF STAFF
(signed) Col. F. Griffith

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ORD/40 30

Subject: Issue of Stores and Equipment.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
3 March 45.

G/37/65

To: DADOS. 52 BLU.

COC 1 District requires an Equipment Deficiency List as at 10 Mar 45.

Please arrange for same to be forwarded to reach this HQ on the morning of 11 Mar, for onward transmission to 1 District. Against each item on the list will be stated whether release has been obtained or in process of delivery, or whether no release yet obtained.

J.H.C. Douglas
Lieut-Col.
GS.

JSUD/MS

Ref Above For action

MAR 1945

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SECRET

Subject: Vehicle Markings.

52 Infantry Division Arty,
GSP.
5 Dec 42.

WA/3/42.

WO 106/3911.

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Herewith copy of 1 District Letter 15/5/1/G(TS) dated 1 Dec 42. for your information and action if necessary.

D/Lt-Col
for Lt-Col
i/c GS.

DCR/HB

Copy to: DMT(W). S & T.
RAOC DADOS.

WO 2753

(291)

DRAFT

Subject: Training Hardings.

RESTRICTED

1515/1/G(GS)

1 Mar 45.

Ref 38 Bde.

The appended copy of letter TOP/76 dated 24 Feb 45 is forwarded for information and any action necessary.

Signed ? Capt
for Lieut-Col. G.S.
No 1 District.

DRAFT

RESTRICTED

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-3 DIVISION

24 Feb 45

File No : TOP/76

Subject: Veh Hardings

Reps to: All concerned

M 2752

For information the following are the correct and standardized Divisional colours for background of unit numbers for marking of vehs of Gruppe Di Combattimento:-

MEDIA : Blue with black longitudinal stripe

CREMONA: Green with two red longitudinal stripes.

LEGNANO: Black with three blue stripes

FOLGORE: Blue number in white

[illegible] Brigade number and arm Cavalry horizontally

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The attached copy of letter WCD/75 dated 2, Feb 45 is forwarded for information and any action necessary.

Signed : Capt
for Lieut-Col. AGO.
No 1 District.

SECRET UNCLASSIFIED

ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
G-3 DIVISION

2, Feb 45

File No : WD/76

Subject: Vehicle Markings

Memo to: All concerned

2752

For information the following are the correct and standardised divisional colours for background of unit markers for marking of vehs of Grand Q Conditionment.-

FORCE : Blue with black longitudinal stripe

ORANGE: Green with two red longitudinal stripes.

LEGHORN: Black with three blue stripes

NUMBER: Blue number in white

MANTOVA: Rectangle yellow and green divided horizontally.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER.

Signed : Maj.
for JOHN HARDING,
Lieut-Gen:
Chief of Staff.

Distribution:
CG Fifth (US) Army
HQ Eighth Army
HQ 1 District
HQ 2 "
HQ 3 "

6 MAR 1944

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Gd/140 (28)

SECRET

Subject: Examination of Terr Units - Italian Army.

52 British Liaison Unit,
GSP.
G/21/26.

26 Feb 45.

A/G 52 BLU.

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51 Italian Mobile Bath Unit.

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Further to this HQ letter G/21/26 dated 20 Feb 45.

1. Herewith copy of AFHQ letter CS/1116/0-1(Ex) (Sec 1656) dated 20 Feb 45, ordering formation of the above-named unit on MS G3/689/1 ref. 21 Feb 45.

2. Information has been received from HQ 5 Army that formation will be carried out under supervision of 52 BLU.

3. GS (I) Publications Depot has been requested to forward copies of the MS to this HQ, and these will be forwarded to all concerned when received.

4. Please notify this HQ in due course when formation is complete.

Allen Section confirm that we will have necessary T/E scales.

Allen

T/S/(R)

Copy to: HQ L of C
and 52 BLU
MFA &C.

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SUBJECT:- Formation of New Units - Italian Army.

SECRET

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
CR/1116/G-1(BR)(Ser.1656)
20 Feb 45.

AUXILIARY UNITS FOR ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE.

1. (a) The under mentioned Units will be formed as shewn below with effect from 21 Feb 45:-

Unit (i)	W.E. (ii)	SEL (iii)	Serial No. Allotted (iv)	Supervisory Authority (v)	Location (vi)
113 Italian Mob X-Ray Unit.	CM/576/1	179/1	93840	HQ No.3 District and 56 BLU	Naples.
26 Italian Mob Bath Unit.	CM/689/1		93841	HQ Eighth Army and 50 BLU	Eighth Army
54 -do-	CM/689/1	Italian Technical Equipment	93842	HQ Eighth Army and 51 BLU	Eighth Army
51 -do-	CM/689/1		93843	Br. Incr. Fifth (US) Army and 52 BLU	Radda.
184 -do-	CM/689/1		93844	HQ Eighth Army and 53 BLU	Ascoli-PICENO.
104 -do-	CM/689/1		93845	HQ No.3 District and 56 BLU	San Giorgio.

(b) Copies of the W.Es will be distributed automatically by the Supervisory Authorities. Additional copies, if required, may be obtained from No.10 Publications Depot. Indents should state that these copies are in addition to those received from Supervisory Authorities.

2. PERSONNEL

Personnel will be provided through the normal reinforcement channels for Combat Groups.

3. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT & TRANSPORT

(i) Indents for the following will be submitted in accordance with instructions to be issued by the Supervisory Authorities:-

(a) Replacement of clothing, necessaries and personal equipment to scale.
(b) Normal equipment in accordance with approved scales.
(c) Transport to complete to W.E. in accordance with existing priorities.

(ii) Special Equipment List for 113 Italian Mobile X-Ray Unit will be issued by Q (AE), AFHQ.

(iii) Technical equipment and vehicles (Italian) will be issued under arrangements to be made by Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission (MMIA).

4. STATIONERY

Demands, based on two months' estimated requirements, will be submitted as indicated below:-

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		Unit.				
26	Italian Mob Bath Unit.	CM/689/1		93841	HQ Eighth Army and 50 ELU	Army Eighth Army Radda.
54	-do-	CM/689/1	Italian Technical Equipment	93842	HQ Eighth Army and 51 ELU	
51	-do-	CM/689/1		93843	Br. Incr. Fifth (US) Army and 52 ELU	
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4. STATIONERY

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(a) Army Forms, Books and Stationery (indent form A.F.L. 1393) to the nearest Stationery Depot (see GHQ 337/44).
(b) Publications (indent form A.F.L.1394) to No.10 Publications Depot (indents to be endorsed "Initial Demand")
(c) Office Machinery (indent form A.F.L.1392) to ADPSS, AFHQ.

5. POSTAL

The Units will use the Posta Militare number of the Italian Adm HQ of the formation of which they form a part. 2750

6. COMPLETION

Supervisory Authorities will report to G.1(B) A.1 Section, AFHQ, when formations are complete.

7. ~~ACK~~

K. A. N. Wilson

Field-Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

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HQ No.3 District	10 ¥
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GHQ 2nd Echelon (SCAEF)	
Land Forces Sub Commission Allied Commission (FMLA)	3
50 B.L.U.	2
51 B.L.U.	2
52 B.L.U.	2
53 B.L.U.	2
56 B.L.U.	2
No. 9 Publications Depot, R.A.S.C.	
No.10 Publications Depot, R.A.S.C.	
No. 8 Command Pay Office	
Signalmaster, CASERTA.	

¥ Incl copy for unit concerned and distribution as necessary.

G.1(H) A.9.	
G.1(D) A.10.	
G.3(Org.2)(Manpower)	
G.3(Org.2)(ORBAT)	
+++ G.3(Org.A) Foreign	(2)
Q. (Maint)	
Q. (A.F.)	(3)
S.T.	
Ord (Br)	
R.E.M.E.	
E.A.	
D.P.I.C.	
A.D.P.S.S.	
D.D.A.P.S.	
Historical Sec	(2)
War Diary	(2)
M & D	

+++ A.SL/922-8(B) of 14 Feb 45 refers.

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Subject: Admin. Instructions.

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52 British Liaison Unit,
G.H.Q.
GBO/4(27)
23 February 1945.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.,
52 B.L.U.

1. Herewith one copy of No. 1 Dist. Admin. Instruction No. 45. I am retaining the other copy I obtained.

2. No. 1 District have instructed that we must return these copies when we leave the District. Will you please arrange to return your copy direct.

Capt.
(C.M. CLARK)
for D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

CMC/MJD.

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Subject:- HQ 1 District Adm Instr No. 45

1D/2001/S/Q

52 HLL

20 FEB 45

Ref your message OS/32 undated, attached hereto are two copies of HQ 1 District Adm Instr No. 45 as requested.

Please return these copies to this HQ on leaving the District.

B. Hewitt Lt/c
D.A. & Q.M.G.,
No. 1 District.

C.M.F.
BJH/ACW

DADOS c/f 4

1D/2001/2/G

15 Jan 45

NO.1 DISTRICT ADM INSTRUCTION NO.45

'B' VEHICLES & CONTROLLED STORES

INTENTION

1. To define the procedure to be adopted for demanding 'B' vehicles and Controlled Stores.

DEFINITION

2. For the purpose of this Instruction, Controlled Stores are all warlike stores, the holding and distribution of which is controlled by the staff.

'B' VEHICLES

Method of Demanding

3 (a) Demands for 'B' vehicles will be submitted by Areas and A.A. Bdes, on the pro-forma shown at Appendix 'A', to reach this HQ weekly by 1200 hrs on Saturday. Urgent demands may be made at any time.

(b) In demanding vehicles the correct nomenclature and Ordnance code numbers will be used as at Appendix 'B'.

(c) The u/m formations and organisations will submit their demands through the following channels:-

(A)	(B) Replacement demands against BLR certificates	(C) Demands for New issues
FN	HQ 1 District	To FMTO, Office of C-in-C Med, AFHQ.
No.2 Claims Commission and Hirings Directorate	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Movement Control Allied Force (administered by G-4 M & Tn (Br) AFHQ)	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Directorate of Army Welfare Services AFHQ.	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Transportation Incr.	"	Rome Allied Area

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(c) The u/m formations and organisations will submit their demands through the following channels:-

(A)	(B) Replacement demands against BLR certificates	(C) Demands for New issues
RN	HQ 1 District	To FMFO, Office of C-in-C Med, AFHQ.
No.2 Claims Commission and Hirings Directorate	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Movement Control Allied Force (administered by G-4 M & Tn (Br) AFHQ)	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Directorate of Army Welfare Services AFHQ.	"	British Increment HQ Command, AFHQ.
Transportation Incr. AFHQ	"	Rome Allied Area Command.
A.C.	G-5 AFHQ	G-5 AFHQ
UDF Units	UDF Adm HQ (Main)	UDF Adm HQ (Main)
SOM (a) Requirements of units within the AFHQ Order of Battle	HQ 1 District	HQ 1 District
(b) Other requirements	"	Q(AE), AFHQ.

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L.F.A.	HQ 1 District	Q(AE), AFHQ.
Royal Marine Detachments	"	"
HQ 15 Army Gp	Q(AE), AFHQ.	"
Indian or British Red Cross Society and St. John's Amb. Association	"	"
HQ EFI	"	"
Training Establishments		
(i) Requirements against WE of units	HQ 1 District	HQ 1 District
(ii) Vehicles specially required for training purposes		DMT, AFHQ.

(d) CVWW and ENSA

Demands for 'B' vehicles for CVWW and ENSA will be submitted to senior representatives of these Services in the theatre.

Releases

4. Releases will be made by this HQ to units and notified to Areas and A.A. Bdes. Areas will NOT notify units until availability has been confirmed through Ord channels.

Transfers

5. Transfer of vehicles will only be made under authority of this HQ, and will only be authorised against deficiencies on current WEs, and against BLR certificates. Each transfer will be reported on a Part X Order.

Requisitioned Vehicles

6. (a) The policy covering requisitioned vehicles is contained in AFHQ Adm Memorandum No.59 Part II, dated 13 Dec 44.

(b) Applications for authority to requisition civilian vehicles will be made to this HQ, giving the following details:-

(i) Name and address of owner.

(ii) Type and capacity of vehicle.

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Requisitioned Vehicles

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(b) Applications for authority to requisition civilian vehicles will be made to this HQ, giving the following details:-

(i) Name and address of owner.

(ii) Type and capacity of vehicle.

(iii) Vehicle registration number.

(iv) Certificate to the effect that AMG have been consulted, and have agreed to the requisition of the vehicle concerned.

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Surplus Vehicles

7. Authority to hold vehicles surplus to WE will only be given by AFHQ, (or in the case of Army units, by HQ Fifth and Eighth Armies). Applications will be submitted only after careful investigation, and will give the following information:-

(a) Unit.

(b) WE on which the unit is based.

(c) Transport authorised on WE.

(d) Reason for application.

(e) Recommendation of Area or A.A. Bde concerned.

CONTROLLED STORES

A list of AFHQ Controlled Stores is attached at Appendix 'C'.

Method of Demanding

8. Demands for Controlled Stores will be made on the pro-forma at Appendix 'D', to reach this HQ weekly by 1200 hrs on Saturday. Urgent demands may be made at any time.

Releases

9. Releases of Controlled Stores, based on weekly demands, will be made to units by this HQ, and notified to Areas and A.A. Bdes. Areas will NOT notify units until availability has been confirmed through Ord channels.

A.A.TECHNICAL STORES & RADAR EQUIPMENT

10. Control and distribution is exercised by AFHQ. With the exception of A.A. guns which are included in the list at Appendix 'C', all demands will be submitted through Ord channels.

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CONTROLLED STORES FOR TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS

11. Demands for Controlled Stores, listed in Appendix 'C', required by training establishments for training purposes will in all cases be made to this HQ.

SIGNAL STORES

12. Controlled signal stores are not included in Appendix 'C', as these are controlled by CSO, AFHQ, under instructions issued separately.

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(d) Reason for application.

(e) Recommendation of Area or A.A. Bde concerned.

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Releases

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SIGNAL STORES

12. Controlled signal stores are not included in Appendix 'C', as these are controlled by CSO, AFHQ, under instructions issued separately.

EFFECTIVE DATE

13. The above procedure will come into force w.e.f. 16 Jan 45. The first returns required under paras 3(a) and 8, will reach this HQ by 1200 hrs, Saturday, 20 Jan 45.

With effect from 16 Jan 45, this HQ Adm Instruction No.36, dated 14 Nov 44, is cancelled.

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for DA & QMG,
No.1 District.

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Distribution:

55 Area	G(SD)	REME
59 Area	CE	EPI
61 Area	CSO	ENSA
71 Sub-Area	ST	Welfare
8 A.A. Bde	Ord	War Diary (2)

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Serial	Unit	Type of veh required	WE NO	Entitlement	Held	Deficiency	Required
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)

X (i) against existing deficiency on WE
(ii) " GLR certificate
(iii) as an issue surplus to WE (reasons for recommendation to be given in attached letter).
(iv) Recommended as an issue on loan stating period.

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(iii) Unit converting
(iv) Normal.

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Appendix 'A' to HQ No 1 District
ADI INSTRUCTION NO. 45

ch	WE NO	Entitlement	Held	Deficiency	Required	Reason for demand	
	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j) X	(k) Ø

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(i) unit moving out of District
(ii) operational demand. A demand will only be considered "operational" if the vehicle is required to re-equip a WE formation in rest or for a mobilising unit.
(iii) Unit converting to new WE.
(iv) Normal.

Appendix 'B' to HQ No 1 District
ADM. INSTRUCTION NO. 45

'B' VEHICLE NOMENCLATURE

Code	Nomenclature
6001/00	Motor Cycles Solo, Folding 98 c.c.
6002/00	Lightweight 125 c.c.
6003/00	350 c.c.
6003/10	500 c.c.
6008/00	Combination, Box Body
6008/10	Side Car
6010/00	Cars, 2 seater, 4 x 2
6010/10	Lt. Utility, 4 x 2
6015/00	4 seater, 4 x 2
6015/10	Hy Utility, 4 x 2
6015/20	4 seater, 4 x 4
6015/30	Hy Utility, 4 x 4
6016/00	4 str, 4 x 2 Wireless D.F.
6017/00	Hy Utility, 4 x 2 Type 'T'
6017/10	Hy Utility, 4 x 4 Type 'T'
6018/00	Lt Armoured (Beaverett) 4 x 2
6022/00	6 seater, 4 x 2 (Pullman)
6025/00	5-cwt, 4 x 4 (Jeep)
6030/00	4 x 2 Light Reconnaissance
6030/10	4 x 4 " "
6033/00	Tracked Armoured (Bombardier)
6035/00	Ambulances, 2 stretcher (Light) 4 x 4
6036/00	4 " (Heavy) 4 x 2
6036/10	4 " " 4 x 4
6036/20	4 " " 6 x 4
6040/00	Trucks, 8-cwt, 4 x 2 GS
6040/10	4 x 4 GS
6041/00	4 x 2 Fitted for Wireless
6041/10	4 x 4 Fitted for Wireless
6045/00	10-cwt, 4 x 4 GS
6047/00	10-cwt, Tracked GS (Weasel M.29)
6050/00	15-cwt 4 x 2 GS
6051/00	4 x 4 GS
6055/00	4 x 2 AA
6057/00	4 x 4 AA
6058/00	Cable Laying (Tech)
6059/00	Trucks, 15 cwt 4 x 2 Chemical
6060/00	4 x 2 Compressor
6060/10	4 x 4 "
6064/00	4 x 2 Light Warning Type 'A'
6064/10	4 x 2 " " (Body Unfitted)
6067/00	4 x 2 Machinery 'K' Light
6067/10	4 x 4 " " "
6069/00	4 x 2 " " 24K Type

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6008/00	Combination, Box Body
6008/10	Side Car
6010/00	Cars, 2 seater, 4 x 2
6010/10	Lt. Utility, 4 x 2
6015/00	4 seater, 4 x 2
6015/10	Hy Utility, 4 x 2
6015/20	4 seater, 4 x 4
6015/30	Hy Utility, 4 x 4
6016/00	4 str, 4 x 2 Wireless D.F.
6017/00	Hy Utility, 4 x 2 Type 'T'
6017/10	Hy Utility, 4 x 4 Type 'T'
6018/00	Lt Armoured (Beaverett) 4 x 2
6022/00	6 seater, 4 x 2 (Pullman)
6025/00	5-cwt, 4 x 4 (Jeep)
6030/00	4 x 2 Light Reconnaissance
6030/10	4 x 4 " "
6033/00	Tracked Armoured (Bombardier)
6035/00	Ambulances, 2 stretcher (Light) 4 x 4
6036/00	4 " (Heavy) 4 x 2
6036/10	4 " " 4 x 4
6036/20	4 " " 6 x 4
6040/00	Trucks, 8-cwt, 4 x 2 GS
6040/10	4 x 4 GS
6041/00	4 x 2 Fitted for Wireless
6041/10	4 x 4 Fitted for Wireless
6045/00	10-cwt, 4 x 4 GS
6047/00	10-cwt, Tracked GS (Weasel M.29)
6050/00	15-cwt 4 x 2 GS
6051/00	4 x 4 GS
6055/00	4 x 2 AT
6057/00	4 TK 4 x 2
6058/00	Cable Laying (Mech)
6059/00	Trucks, 15 cwt 4 x 2 Chemical
6060/00	4 x 2 Compressor
6060/10	4 x 4 "
6064/00	4 x 2 Light Warning Type 'A'
6064/10	4 x 2 " " (Hydrogen)
6067/00	4 x 2 Machinery 'K' Light
6067/10	4 x 4 " " "
6069/00	4 x 2 " 9 K.W. Gen.
6069/10	4 x 4 " " "
6070/00	4 x 2 Office

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Code	Nomenclature
6074/00	Trucks, 15-cwt 4 x 2 P.O.O. Equipment
6075/00	4 x 2 Personnel
6080/00	4 x 4 Personnel (Armoured)
6082/00	4 x 2 Radio Link
6084/00	4 x 2 Recorder
6087/00	4 x 2 Sterilizer
6090/00	4 x 2 Water, 200 gallons
6090/10	4 x 4 Water, 200 gallons
6095/00	4 x 2 Wireless
6097/00	4 x 2 wireless D.F.
6099/00	4 x 2 wireless 'R'
6100/00	4 x 2 Fitted for Wireless
6100/10	4 x 4 Fitted for Wireless
6120/00	Half Tracked, G.S.
6120/10	Command
6120/20	Personnel
6150/00	Vans, 10-cwt, 4 x 4 fitted for Wireless
6151/00	12-cwt, 4 x 2 GS
6152/00	15-cwt, 4 x 2 GS
6153/00	1-ton, 4 x 2 GS
6154/00	1-ton, 4 x 2 GPO
6154/10	30-cwt, 4 x 2 GPO
6155/00	30-cwt, 4 x 4 GS
6165/00	Lorries 1 ton 4 x 2 GS
6170/00	30-cwt 4 x 2 GS
6170/10	4 x 4 GS
6170/20	6 x 4 GS
6172/00	4 x 4 A Tk Portee 2 pdr
6174/00	4 x 2 Battery Slave
6174/10	4 x 4 Battery Slave
6176/00	6 x 4 Breakdown Light
6178/00	6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D' Light
6180/00	6 x 4 Office
6181/00	6 x 4 Stores
6182/00	4 x 4 Tipping
6184/00	4 x 4 Winch
6184/10	6 x 4 Winch
6186/00	4 x 4 Wireless
6190/00	2½-ton 6 x 6 GS
6192/00	6 x 6 Petrol 600 gallons
6200/00	3- ton 4 x 2 GS
6201/00	4 x 4 GS
6205/00	6 x 4 GS
6205/00	6 x 6 GS

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6099/00		4 x 2 Wireless D.R.
6100/00		4 x 2 Wireless 'R'
6100/10		4 x 2 Fitted for Wireless
6120/00		4 x 4 Fitted for Wireless
6120/10		Half Tracked, G.S.
6120/20		Command
6150/00		Personnel
6151/00	Vans, 10-cwt,	4 x 4 fitted for Wireless
6152/00	12-cwt,	4 x 2 GS
6153/00	15-cwt,	4 x 2 GS
6154/00	1-ton,	4 x 2 GS
6154/10	1-ton,	4 x 2 GPO
6155/00	30-cwt,	4 x 2 GPO
6165/00	30-cwt,	4 x 4 GS
6170/00	Lorries 1 ton	4 x 2 GS
6170/10	30-cwt	4 x 2 GS
6170/20		4 x 4 GS
6172/00		6 x 4 GS
6174/00		4 x 4 A Tk Portee 2 pdr
6174/10		4 x 2 Battery Slave
6176/00		4 x 4 Battery Slave
6178/00		6 x 4 Breakdown Light
6180/00		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D' Light
6181/00		6 x 4 Oil Tins
6182/00		6 x 4 Stores
6184/00		4 x 4 Tipping
6184/10		4 x 4 Winch
6186/00		6 x 4 Winch
6190/00		4 x 4 Wireless
6192/00	2½-ton	6 x 6 GS
6200/00		6 x 6 Petrol 600 gallons
6201/00	3- ton	4 x 2 GS
6205/00		4 x 4 GS
6206/00		6 x 4 GS
6210/00		6 x 6 GS
6212/00		4 x 4 Armoured Ammunition
6215/00		4 x 4 A Tk Portee 6 pdr
6218/00		6 x 4 Bacteriological
6220/00		4 x 2 Battery Charger
6223/00		4 x 2 Battery Slave
6225/00		4 x 2 Battery Storage
6230/00		4 x 2 Bread Carrying
6230/10		4 x 2 Breakdown (Light)
6231/00		4 x 4 Breakdown (Light)
6231/10		4 x 4 Breakdown (Medium)
6232/00		6 x 6 Breakdown (Medium)
6240/00		6 x 4 Breakdown Gantry
6243/00		6 x 4 Bridge Track
6243/10		6 x 4 Camera
		6 x 4 Camera 'C.V.S.'

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Code	Nomenclature	
6245/00	Lorries 3-ton	4 x 4 Caravan
6245/10		6 x 4 "
6247/00		4 x 4 Cipher Office
6247/10		4 x 4 Cipher Office (Body 10 unfitted)
6250/00		4 x 4 Command HP Type 'A' 12 HP
6252/00		4 x 4 " " " 'B' BC610
6254/00		4 x 4 " " " 'C' 12 HP
6256/00		4 x 4 " " (Body 1 unfitted)
6258/00		4 x 4 " " (Body 2 unfitted)
6260/00		4 x 4 " LP Type 'A' 19 HP
6262/00		4 x 4 " " (Body 3 unfitted)
6275/00		4 x 4 Compressor
6277/00		6 x 4 Crane Turntable (Coles)
6280/00		6 x 4 Dark Room
6283/00		6 x 4 Derrick
6285/00		4 x 2 Disinfector
6288/00		6 x 4 F.B.E.
6290/00		4 x 2 Fire Engine
6292/00		4 x 4 Fire Tender
6295		4 x 2 Fuel and Water
6296/00		4 x 4 Fuel and Water
6300/00		4 x 2 Horse Box
6303/00		6 x 4 Hygiene
6305/00		4 x 2 Kinema Generator
6308/00		4 x 2 Kinema - Projector
6310/00		4 x 4 Kitchen
6315/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'A'
6315/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'A'
6316/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'B'
6316/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'B'
6320/00		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'
6321/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.1
6321/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.1
6322/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'D' 2.
6322/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.2.
6330/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'F'
6330/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'F'
6336/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'H'
6337/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'I'
6337/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'I'
6341/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'I' 30
6341/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'I 30'
6343/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'J'
6343/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'J'
6345/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'K'
6345/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'K'
6347/00		4 x 4 Machinery Type 'L'
6347/10		6 x 4 Machinery Type 'L'

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6305/00
6308/00
6310/00
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6 x 4 Derrick
4 x 2 Disinfecter
6 x 4 E.E.E.
4 x 2 Fire Engine
4 x 4 Fire Tender
4 x 2 Fuel and Water
4 x 4 Fuel and Water
4 x 2 Horse Box
3 x 4 Hygiene
4 x 2 Kinema Generator
4 x 2 Kinema - Projector
4 x 4 Kitchen
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'A'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'A'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'B'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'B'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.1
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.1
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'D' 2.
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'D'.2.
6 x 4 MachineryType 'E'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'E'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'H'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'I'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'I'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'I' 30
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'I 30'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'J'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'J'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'K'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'K'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'L'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'L'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'M'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'M'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'X'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'Z'
4 x 4 Machinery Type 'Z'
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'SL' Sigs
6 x 4 Machinery 7½ K.W. R.E.
4 x 4 Machinery 24 K.W., R.E.
6 x 4 Machinery 24 K.W., R.E.
4 x 4 Mobile Carrier Terminal Type 'A'
4 x 4 Mobile Carrier (Body 11 unfitted)
6 x 4 Machinery Type 'H'

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Code	Nomenclature
6373/00	Lorries 3-ton, 4 x 4 Mobile Ops Room
6375/00	4 x 2 Office
6375/10	4 x 4 Office
6377/00	4 x 2 Petrol 800 gallons
6377/10	6 x 4 Petrol 800 gallons
6380/00	6 x 4 Petroleum Laboratory
6383/00	4 x 2 Platform (Flat floor)
6385/00	6 x 4 Photo Mechanical
6387/00	6 x 4 Plotter
6390/00	6 x 4 Pontoon
6393/00	6 x 4 Printing
6393/10	6 x 4 Printing Light
6393/20	6 x 4 Printing Heavy
6395/00	6 x 4 Processing
6397/00	4 x 4 Recorder AS 11k I (Westex)
6397/10	6 x 4 Recorder
6400/00	4 x 2 Refrigerator (Blood)
6400/10	4 x 4 " "
6402/00	4 x 2 Searchlight
6402/10	6 x 4 Searchlight
6405/00	4 x 4 Signal Control Cabin
6408/00	6 x 4 S.B.G.
6410/00	6 x 4 Sound Ranging
6412/00	4 x 2 Stores (Binned)
6412/00	4 x 4 Stores (Binned)
6412/20	6 x 4 Stores (Binned)
6415/00	4 x 4 T.T.V. (Div & Corps)
6415/10	4 x 4 T.T.V. (Div & Corps) (Body 9 unfitted)
6420/00	4 x 2 Tipping
6420/10	4 x 4 Tipping
6422/00	6 x 4 Trestle and Sliding Bay
6425/00	4 x 4 Troop Carrying
6427/00	4 x 2 Water 350 gallons
6427/10	4 x 2 Water 450 gallons
6427/20	4 x 2 Water 500 gallons
6430/00	4 x 4 Winch
6435/00	4 x 2 Wireless
6435/10	6 x 4 Wireless
6437/00	4 x 4 Wireless (I) Type 'A'
6437/10	4 x 4 Wireless (I) (Body 8 unfitted)
6440/00	4 x 4 Wireless (R) Type 'A'
6440/10	4 x 4 Wireless (R) (Body 8 unfitted)
6445/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'C' 33
6446/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'D' 33
6447/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'E' 12 HP

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6390/00	6 x 4 Pontoon
6393/00	6 x 4 Printing
6393/10	6 x 4 Printing Light
6393/20	6 x 4 Printing Heavy
6395/00	6 x 4 Processing
6397/00	4 x 4 Recorder AA Mk I (Westex)
6397/10	6 x 4 Recorder
6400/00	4 x 2 Refrigerator (Blood)
6400/10	4 x 4 " "
6402/00	4 x 2 Searchlight
6402/10	6 x 4 Searchlight
6405/00	4 x 4 Signal Control Cabin
6408/00	6 x 4 S.P.G.
6410/00	6 x 4 Sound Ranging
6412/00	4 x 2 Stores (Binned)
6412/00	4 x 4 Stores (Binned)
6412/20	6 x 4 Stores (Binned)
6415/00	4 x 4 T.E.V. (Div & Corps)
6415/10	4 x 4 T.E.V. (Div & Corps) (Body 9 unfitted)
6420/00	4 x 2 Tipping
6420/10	4 x 4 Tipping
6422/00	6 x 4 Trestle and Sliding Bay
6425/00	4 x 4 Troop Carrying
6427/00	4 x 2 Water 350 gallons
6427/10	4 x 2 Water 450 gallons
6427/20	4 x 2 Water 500 gallons
6430/00	4 x 4 Winch
6435/00	4 x 2 Wireless
6435/10	6 x 4 Wireless
6437/00	4 x 4 Wireless (I) Type 'A'
6437/10	4 x 4 Wireless (I) (Body 8 unfitted)
6440/00	4 x 4 Wireless (R) Type 'A'
6440/10	4 x 4 Wireless (R) (Body 8 unfitted)
6445/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'C' 33
6446/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'D' 33
6447/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'E' 12 HP
6448/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'F' 12 HP
6449/00	4 x 4 Wireless HP (Body 6 unfitted)
6450/00	6 x 4 Wireless HP Type 'A' HSI
6450/10	6 x 4 Wireless HP (Body 5 unfitted)
6470/00	4 x 2 Workshop (RASC)
6470/10	4 x 4 Workshop (RASC)
6470/20	6 x 4 Workshop (RASC)
6475/00	4 x 2 X Ray

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Code	Nomenclature	
6500/00	Lorries 4-ton	4 x 4 GS
6505/00	5-ton	6 x 4 GS
6510/00	6-ton	4 x 2 GS
6512/00		4 x 2 Petrol 1600 gallons
6514/00		6 x 4 Crane Turntable (Coles Mk VII)
6516/00		6 x 4 Crane Turntable (Moto Lorrain)
6518/00	7-ton	4 x 2 GS
6520/00	10-ton	4 x 2 GS
6520/10		6 x 4 GS
6522/00		6 x 4 Aero Processing
6525/00		6 x 4 Breakdown
6527/00		6 x 4 Enlarging and Rectifying
6530/00		6 x 4 Photo Mechanical
6532/00		6 x 4 Platform Flat
6535/00		6 x 4 Refitting
6537/00		6 x 4 Petrol
6540/00		4 x 2 Tipping
	Tractors or S/Trailers	
6550/00	Tractors 4 x 2 for 5 ton Semi-Trailer	
6550/10	Semi-Trailers 5 ton 2 wh Lon Low Loading	
6555/00	Tractors 4 x 2 for	
6557/00	Semi Trailer 6 ton 2 wh GS	
6558/00	2 wh GS w/drop sides	
6559/00	2 wh GS Platform	
6570/00	2 wh Petrol 1200 gallons	
6571/00	2 wh Petrol 1750 gallons	
6575/00	2 wh Signal Type 303	
6576/00	2 wh Signal Type 304	
6580/00	Tractor 4 x 4 for	
6581/00	Semi Trailer 6 ton 2 wh GS	
6585/00	Tractor 4 x 2 for	
6586/00	Semi trailer 7 ton 2 wh GS	
6587/00	2 wh Low Loading	
6592/00	Tractors, 6 x 4 for	
6593/00	Semi trailer 7 ton 2 wh GS	
6600/00	Tractors 4 x 4 for	
6600/10	Semi trailer 10 ton 2 wh GS	
6601/00	Tractors 3 x 2 for	
6602/00	Semi trailer 3 ton 2 wh GS	
6603/00	Tractors 3 x 2 for	
6604/00	Semi trailer 5 ton 2 wh GS	
6605/00	Tractors, 6 x 4 for	
6605/10	Semi trailer 15 ton 4 wh transporter	
6606/00	Tractors, 6 x 4 for	

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6527/00 — 6 x 4 Earthmoving and Ferrying
6530/00 — 6 x 4 Fuze Chemical
6532/00 — 6 x 4 Platform Flat
6535/00 — 6 x 4 Refuelling
6537/00 — 6 x 4 Petrol
6540/00 — 4 x 2 Tipping

Tractors or S/Trailers

6550/00 — Tractors 4 x 2 for 5 ton Semi-Trailer
6550/10 — Semi-Trailers 5 ton 2 wh Low Loading
6555/00 — Tractors 4 x 2 for
6557/00 — Semi Trailer 6 ton 2 wh GS
6558/00 — 2 wh GS w/drop sides
6559/00 — 2 wh GS Platform
6570/00 — 2 wh Petrol 1200 gallons
6571/00 — 2 wh Petrol 1750 gallons
6575/00 — 2 wh Signal Type 303
6576/00 — 2 wh Signal Type 304
6580/00 — Tractor 4 x 4 for
6581/00 — Semi Trailer 6 ton 2 wh GS
6585/00 — Tractor 4 x 2 for
6586/00 — Semi trailer 7 ton 2 wh GS
6587/00 — 2 wh Low Loading
6592/00 — Tractors, 6 x 4 for
6593/00 — Semi trailer 7 ton 2 wh GS
6600/00 — Tractors 4 x 4 for
6600/10 — Semi trailer 10 ton 2 wh GS
6601/00 — Tractors 3 x 2 for
6602/00 — Semi trailer 3 ton 2 wh GS
6603/00 — Tractors 3 x 2 for
6604/00 — Semi trailer 5 ton 2 wh GS
6605/00 — Tractors, 6 x 4 for
6605/10 — Semi trailer 15 ton 4 wh transporter
6606/00 — Tractors, 6 x 4 for
6606/10 — Semi trailer 15 ton 4 wh transporter
6607/00 — Tractors 6 x 4 for
6607/10 — Semi trailer 20 ton 4 wh
6608/00 — Tractors 6 x 4 for
6608/10 — Semi trailer 20 ton 4 wh transporter Recovery
6609/00 — Tractors 6 x 4 for
6609/10 — Semi trailer 20 ton 8 wh transporter Recovery
6610/00 — Tractors 6 x 4 for
6610/10 — Semi trailer 30 ton 8 wh transporter Recovery

Transporters

6620/00 — Transporters 13 ton 6 x 4
6621/00 — 15 ton 6 x 4
6622/00 — 18 ton 6 x 4
6623/00 — 18 ton 6 x 4 Recovery

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Code	Nomenclature	
	Amphibians	
6630/00	Amphibians	5-cwt 4 x 4 (Jeep)
6631/00		2½ ton 6 x 6 GS (D.U.K.W.)
6632/00		4 ton 8 x 6 GS (Terrapin)
6633/00		3 ton Tracked GS L.V.T.1.
6634/00		GS L.V.T.2.
6635/00		GS L.V.T. (A) 2
6636/00		GS L.V.T. 3
6637/00		GS L.V.T. 4
	Tractors	
6660/00	Tractors 4 x 4 Medium	
6660/10	6 x 6 Medium	
6663/00	6 x 4 Heavy	
6663/10	6 x 6 Heavy	
6665/00	4 x 4 A Tk	
6667/00	6 x 4 Breakdown Heavy	
6667/10	6 x 6 Breakdown Heavy	
6670/00	4 x 4 Fd Arty	
6670/10	6 x 4 Fd Arty	
6680/00	4 x 2 Industrial	
6682/00	4 x 4 Intermediate A.A.	
6685/00	4 x 4 Light A.A.	
6685/10	6 x 4 Light A.A.	
6687/00	4 x 4 Snow Plough	
6687/10	6 x 6 Snow Plough	
6688/00	6 x 4 40-ton Transporter Trailer	
6690/00	Tracked 7.2" and 240 mm How	
	Trailers	
6700/00	Trailers 2 wh Lightweight GS	
6701/00		Circular Saw
6702/00		Compressor
6703/00		Electrical repair
6704/00		Generator 5 K.W.
6705/00		Machinery
6706/00		Store
6707/00		Type 'Z'
6708/00		Water 100 gallons
6709/00		Welding
6715/00	Trailers 4 wh Lightweight Medical 2 str	
6720/00	Trailers 5-cwt 2 wh Amphibious GS	
6730/00	Trailers 10-cwt GS	
6731/00		

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6660/10 6 x 6
6663/00 6 x 4 Heavy
6663/10 6 x 6 Heavy
6665/00 4 x 4 A Tk
6667/00 6 x 4 Breakdown Heavy
6667/10 6 x 6 Breakdown Heavy
6670/00 4 x 4 Fd Arty
6670/10 6 x 4 Fd Arty
6680/00 4 x 2 Industrial
6682/00 4 x 4 Intermediate A.A.
6685/00 4 x 4 Light A.A.
6685/10 6 x 4 Light A.A.
6687/00 4 x 4 Snow Plough
6687/10 6 x 6 Snow Plough
6688/00 6 x 4 40-ton Transporter Trailer
6690/00 Tracked for 8" and 240 mm How

Trailers

6700/00 Trailers 2 wh Lightweight GS
6701/00 Circular Saw
6702/00 Compressor
6703/00 Electrical repair
6704/00 Generator 5 K.W.
6705/00 Machinery
6706/00 Store
6707/00 Type 'Z'
6708/00 Water 100 gallons
6709/00 Welding
6715/00 Trailers 4 wh Lightweight Medical 2 str
6720/00 Trailers 5-cwt 2 wh Amphibious GS
6730/00 Trailers 10-cwt GS
6731/00 D.T. 'A' B.C. 2
6731/10 D.F. Body unfitted
6732/00 Machinery Type 'P' Welding
6733/00 Trailers Mortar 4.2"
6734/00 4.2" Amn
6740/00 15-cwt 2 wh GS
6742/00 20-cwt 2 wh GS
6744/00 20-cwt for B.S.D. (Tudson)
6746/00 15/20 cwt for 2 wh A.A. Command Post
6750/00 15-cwt A.A. Instrument
6752/00 Dental
6754/00 Gas Chamber
6756/00 Generator 9 K.V.A.

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Code	Nomenclature
6756/10	Trailers 15-cwt A.A. Generator 9 K.W.
6758/00	Machinery Gas Welding
6760/00	Pigeon Loft 60 Birds
6762/00	Pole Carrying
6764/00	Smoke Generator
6766/00	Steriliser
6768/00	Water 180 gallons
6770/00	Water Purification
6772/00	Workshop Servicing Electric
6772/10	Petrol
6780/00	Trailer 1 ton 4 wh GS
6782/00	30-cwt 2 wh Generator 18 K.W.
6784/00	35-cwt 4 wh Folding Boat Equipment
6786/00	2 ton 2 wh Bakery Generator 22 KW 220 Volt in D.C.
6787/00	Generator 15 K.V.A.
6787/10	" 22 KW 110 Volt D.C.
6787/20	" 24 KW
6787/30	" 27.5 K.V.A.
6787/40	Machinery Generator 22 KW 110 v D.C.
6788/00	Machinery Instrument Repair
6789/00	Radar AA No. 3 Mk III
6792/00	Trailer 2 ton 4 wh GS
6793/00	Beam Wireless Type 'A' 10
6793/10	(Body unfitted)
6794/00	2 wh Carriage of Tracks
6796/00	Height Finder
6798/00	Motor Boat
6800/00	Mast Platform
6802/00	Predictor
6803/00	Predictor AA No 7 Mk I
6805/00	Projection
6807/00	Smoke Generator (Esso)
6808/00	Sound Locator
6810/00	Trailers 3 ton 2 wh Cable Drum
6812/00	Trailer 3 ton 4 wh Bakery Dough Trough
6813/00	Bakery Machinery
6814/00	Bakery Oven
6517/00	Folding Boat Equipment
6820/00	Radar AA No 3 Mk IV
6825/00	Trailer 4 ton 4 wh ACD W/Bins
6826/00	ACD W/Davit
6830/00	Machinery Surface and Brake Drum Grinder
6831/00	Machinery Stores
6832/00	Machinery 60 ton Press
	Pole Carrying

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6762/00 Smoke Generator
6764/00 Steriliser
6766/00 Water 180 gallons
6768/00 Water Purification
6770/00 Workshop Servicing Electric
6772/00 Petrol
6772/10
6780/00 Trailer 1 ton 4 wh GS
6782/00 30-cwt 2 wh Generator 18 K.W.
6784/00 35-cwt 4 wh Folding Boat Equipment
6786/00 2 ton 2 wh Bakery Generator 22 KW 220 Volt in D.C.
6787/00 Generator 15 K.V.A.
6787/10 " 22 KW 110 Volt D.C.
6787/20 " 24 KW
6787/30 " 27.5 K.V.A.
6787/40 Machinery Generator 22 KW 110 v D.C.
6788/00 Machinery Instrument Repair
6789/00 Radar AA No. 3 Mk III
6792/00 Trailer 2 ton 4 wh GS
6793/00 Beam Wireless Type 'A' 10
6793/10 (Body unfitted)
6794/00 2 wh Carriage of Tracks
6796/00 Height Finder
6798/00 Mast Post
6800/00 Mk 6 Platform
6802/00 Predictor
6803/00 Predictor AA No 7 Mk I
6805/00 Projector
6807/00 Smoke Generator (Esso)
6808/00 Sound Locator
6810/00 Trailers 3 ton 2 wh Cable Drum
6812/00 Trailer 3 ton 4 wh Bakery Dough Trough
6813/00 Bakery Machinery
6814/00 Bakery Oven
6817/00 Folding Boat Equipment
6820/00 Radar AA No 3 Mk IV
6825/00 Trailer 4 ton 4 wh AOD W/Bins
6826/00 AOD W/Davit
6830/00 Machinery Surface and Brake Drum Grinder
6831/00 Machinery Stores
6832/00 Machinery 60 ton Press
6835/00 Pole Carrying
6837/00 4/5 ton 4 wh GS
6840/00 5 ton 4 wh GS
6841/00 Carriage of Tractor
6842/00 Carriage of Snow Plough
6845/00 Laundry Boiler
6845/10 Laundry C.C.S.
6845/20 Laundry Dry Cleaning
6845/30 Laundry Drying
6845/40 Laundry Washing
6847/00 Pontoon Type 50/50
6850/00 Radar AA No 1 Mk I Receiver
6850/10 Transmitter
6850/20 1k Ix Receiver

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Code	Nomenclature
6850/30	Trailer 5 ton 4 wh Radar AA No 1 Mk Ix Transmitter
6850/40	II Receiver
6850/50	II Transmitter
6850/60	No 3 Mk I
6850/70	Mk II
6850/80	Mk IV
6850/90	Mk V
6850/11	No 4 Mk I
6855/00	Smoke Generator (Hasler)
6860/00	Carriage of Tracks (Jahn)
6861/00	Trailer 6 ton 4 wh GS Holdfast
6862/00	7½ ton 6 wh Light Recovery
6865/00	10 ton 6 wh Low Loading
6870/00	Pointing Brass
6871/00	8 wh Low Loading
6872/00	18 ton 8 wh Low Loading 19 RB
6875/00	18 ton 8 wh Low Loading 19 RB
6875/10	20 ton 8 wh Low Loading
6877/00	8 wh Low Loading
6877/10	30 ton 8 wh Gun Shift
6878/00	Low Loading
6880/00	12 wh Carriage of rails
6881/00	40 ton 12 wh Transporter
6885/00	Transporter Recovery
6886/00	45 ton 12 wh Transporter
6890/00	Tracked Transporter Recovery
6891/00	

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Appendix 'C' to HQ No 1 District
AD. INSTRUCTION No. 45

ARTILLERY EQUIPMENTS AND TRAILERS

1 240 mm
2 8 in
3 7.2 in
4 155 mm
5 5.5 in
6 4.5 in
7 25 pdr
8 17 pdr
9 6 pdr
10 95 mm gun
11 3.7 in AA
12 3 in 20 cwt
13 40 mm Bofor towed
14 3.7 in Mech How
15 3.7 in Pack How
16 75 mm Pack How
17 Trailers Artillery No. 23
18 Trailers Artillery No. 27

MACHINE GUNS AND SMALL ARMS

19 Pistols Revolver .45
20 Pistols Colt Auto .45
21 Pistols Revolver .38
22 Pistols Signal 1 in
23 Pistols .455
24 Rifles No. 1
25 Rifles No. 4
26 Rifles No. 3
27 Rifles EY
28 Rifles Telescopic
29 Carbines Sten
30 Carbines Thompson
31 Sub MG M.3
32 LMG Bren
33 MG 7.92 Besa
34 MG 15 mm Besa
35 MG Vickers .303
36 MG Browning .30
37 MG Browning .50
38 20 mm Oerlikon
39 2 in Mortar
40 3 in Mortar
41 4.2 in Mortar
42 PIAT
43 Discharger Grenade Rifle

OTHER CONTROLLED STORES

44 Sights Dial No.9
45 Sights Dial 7 and 7A
46 Sights Dial MG
47 Compasses Prismatic
48 Watches GS
49 Watches Wristlet
50 Watches Non-Magnetic
51 Clinometers Vickers
52 Directors Artillery No. 7
53 Directors Artillery No. 9
54 Binoculars No. 2
55 Binoculars No. 5
56 Rangefinders No. 2
57 Rangefinders No. 12
58 Rangefinders No. 13
59 Quadrants Gunner
60 Circles Aiming
61 Mine Detectors Polish No. 3
62 Mine Detectors No. 4
63 Mine Detectors No. 5A
64 Mine Detectors American
65 Lighting Set 1 KW
66 Lighting Set 4 KW
67 Generator Sets 1 KW
68 Generator Sets 4 KW
69 Generator Sets 2.75 KVA
70 Flame Thrower Equipments

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1 2.5 mm
2 8 in
3 7.2 in
4 155 mm
5 5.5 in
6 4.5 in
7 25 pdr
8 17 pdr
9 6 pdr
10 95 mm gun
11 5.7 in AA
12 3 in 20 cwt
13 40 mm Bofor towed
14 5.7 in Mech How
15 5.7 in Pack How
16 75 mm Pack How
17 Trailers Artillery No. 23
18 Trailers Artillery No. 27

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20 Pistols Colt Auto .45
21 Pistols Revolver .38
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26 Rifles No. 3
27 Rifles MI
28 Rifles Telescopic
29 Carbines Sten
30 Carbines Thompson
31 Sub MG 9.5
32 LMG Bren
33 MG 7.92 Besa
34 MG 15 mm Besa
35 MG Vickers .303
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37 MG Browning .50
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70 Flame Thrower Equipments

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Serial	Item	Unit	(a) Staff Mpt Table No (b) Spec Mpt List No. (c) AF C.1098 authority	Entitlement	Held	Deficiency
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)

NB Serial number will be the number of the items in Appendix 'C'

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Appendix 'D' to HQ No 1 District
ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 45

Unit	(a) Staff Mpt Table No (b) Spec Mpt List No. (c) AF C.1098 authority	Entitlement	Held	Deficiency	Required	Remarks
(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)

Serial number will be the number of the item in Appendix 'C'

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 41

Transmission Instructions

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Originator

FROM (A) DISTOME

Date-Time of Order 121505A

For Action

TO 5 ARMY FOR (W) BR INFO G-3 (ORG)

For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

ORD 4 GRY — 66

Originator's No. FREEDOM CITE FWDAE 52 BLU copy ORD

Q 66 Confidential 0 Text 0 Containing Commercial Guard Barrett Demands expedited actions and A and B reduced for Engineer Equipment would be evacuated from H G in future by Commercial for all other and vehicles except mortars 2 and will be forced Q F H Q 0 Demands mortars 2 can only be forced to you 0 Present std. mortars 2 for 70 Second 0 For FWD 52 BLU 0 Demands to Bus H Q Warcondaire Dec 0 Request instructions no 0 S

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AGO 8 Jan 45 — 990,000 Pads — 8-45 — Ty. AF Ltd. 69244

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Administration

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Subject:- Local Purchase Powers. 1D/31(81)OS

D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U.
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U. ✓

16 Feb. 45.

It has been ruled by DOS. AFHQ. that DADsOS of BLUs. cannot be granted special L.P.power as it is considered that it is an Italian Government responsibility to provide anything for the Italian Forces which is procurable in Italy.

In view of this, purchase of authorised items urgently required and not procurable from Crd.stocks will be referred to M.M.I.A.

P.L. Croft. Lt.

C.M.F.
Tel.6195

(P.L. CROFT) Lt.,
for Colonel, D.D.O.S.,
H.Q. No. 1 District.

Copies to:- ADOS. 55 Area.
" 61 Area.
DADOS. 71 Sub Area.

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20 FEB 1945

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MEMORANDUM

5 2 British Liaison
CMF
20 Feb 45

To:- DADOS
52 BLU

1 District A/Q told me that of last 83 pairs of boots sent for repair. 53 were beyond repair as they had been worn too long before being handed in. I gather they all have 2 pairs now (either British or Italian) so this is just inefficiency by platoon and company officers and N.C.Os. Can you send a rocket round and get your staff also to chase Units on this.

RWG/WN.

Major.
DAA&QMG.

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21 FEB 1945

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52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.
20 Feb 45.

G/21/26.

Subject: WE - Mobile Bath Unit.

HQ Lorraine.

The following extract from the minutes of AMIQ WE Committee 160th Meeting held on 22 Jan 45 is forwarded for information:

"1822 ITALIAN MOBILE BATH UNIT. (CM/659/1)

The above establishment was approved wef 22 Jan 45.

Strength: Other ranks 14
Vehicles 3

The unit is intended for employment with an Italian Combat Group"

TP1/AG

Copy to: DMS(G)MG
TAIOS

Mucklock
Major
Lieut-Col.
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20 FEB 1945

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For Action

TO DISTONG | (W) For Information (INFO) | Message Instructions | GR

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SECRET

Subject :- Dismemberment of RCAF Warrahous.

52 Fighter Interception Unit
(RCAF)

8/10/39

12 Feb 45

Ops/S RCAF 52 FIU

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Further to this letter 8/13/45 dated 7 Feb 45.

Information has now been received that RCAF 55 Area HQ will supervise the dismemberment of 65 Sp Sq Warrahous.

Mucklow
Major
OC

TCW/ea.

Copy to :- RCAF 52 FIU.

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15 FEB 1945
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Ref your OS29 of 130. Please obtain ADM INSTR NO. 45 from DAQMG your H.Q who is in possession 2 copies

Message Instruction: QQX

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FROM (A) Originator: PADOS SR. B.L.U.

Date-Time of Origin: 13

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TO DISTONE

(W) For Information (INFO) (18)

Message Instructions: W/A

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Subject: Reception of Training Document 1002 to 52

52 Infantry Division Unit,
APO.
2 Feb 45
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Capt Nash
Capt Combs
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Further to this HQ letter G/10/45 dated 7 Feb 45.

Attached herewith official copy of TC HA/G-3/1.

Whitlock.
Major, GSC

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TRAINING INCREMENT R.E.M.E. TO D.L.U. (for Gruppo di Combattimenti)

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) Personnel

Warrant officer, class II -	
Armament artificer (vehicle)	1
Staff-serjeant -	
Armament artificer (field)	1
Serjeants -	
Armourer	1
Artisan	1
Total, warrant officers, staff-serjeants and serjeants	4
Corporals -	
Artisans	2
Storeman	1
Lance-corporals -	
Artisans	2
Craftsmen, drivers and privates -	
Driver	1
Total, rank and file	6
Total, training increment, R.E.M.E. to D.L.U. (for Gruppo di Combattimenti)	10

(ii) Distribution of other ranks by trades and duties.

Tradesmen -	
Armament artificers -	
Vehicle	1
Field	1
Armourer	1
Artisans -	
Vehicle-mechanics	3
Telecommunication-mechanic (field)	1
Driver-mechanic	1
Storeman, vehicle	1
Total, tradesmen	9
Non-tradesmen -	

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Total, warrant officers, [illegible]

Corporals -	2
Artisans	1
Storeman	
Lance-corporals -	2
Artisans	
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Total, tradesmen	
Non-tradesmen -	1
Driver, I.C.	
Total, other ranks	10

(iii) Transport

Motor-cycles, solo	9
Truck, 15-c.t, 4 x 2, G.S.	1

This establishment will NOT be implemented without A.F.H.Q. authority.

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Pass to ADOS

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Translation of H Legnano letter Ref No. 03/307 of 5 Feb to

SOURCE:- Miscellaneous

To:- 5a BIU

It is held appropiate to notify this BIU of several problems, which have partly been discussed with the DAAG, DADST and DADOS, concerning the issues of the following:-

1. Tents

It is known, that Army or Corps HQ, under which the group is to come, has to provide for our requirements.

On the other hand this HQ desires to present the problem since it is a question of complementary issue, which may possibly have to ascertained, before the units leave their present billets and move into the Deployment area, where tents will have to be used.

At the present moment the Group is in possession of:-

English Tents (bivouacs):.....	184
180 lbs Tents.....	11
E.P.I.T.....	13
Marques.....	7

Italian tents now in distribution cannot be taken into consideration, since they are thread bare through long wear and tear.

2. Cookhouses working on liquid fuel

Have not been issued; would be desirable, before move into the line.

3. Mountain Equipment

If the group should be employed in mountainous areas during the winter months period, it is necessary to provide special equipment which we lack completely. (As a fact, the normal issue of clothing has not even been completed)

4. Camouflage Nets for M.T.

Practically all vehicles are deficient of these 2729

5. Questions regarding the Rations Issue

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Tobaccos

The ration of 10 cigarettes per day (after recent increase) has to be procured from Italian resources and is to be distributed by BSD. This is the first time this procedure is enacted. Since this concerns an article of great importance, would you please contact BSD to find out, whether they have received already instructions concerning this issue and whether if they can be obtained regularly in future.

Fresh Meat

Would be very much appreciated by the men, who went without it for a long time. It seems, that an issue of this commodity might be obtained after a requisition rendered by the BLO to BSD.

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White Turnips:
Are not satisfactory. In Italy this vegetable is considered unfit for human consumption. It seems, that potatoes and onions are available, but in order to obtain an issue thereof the intervention of the S.T is necessary.

Disinfecting materials, latrine paper, A.I.B., Sterilising powder, Clorine of lime etc:

Have been issued once by DID, since these were stores under its control. But as at present none of these articles can be obtained, will you please inform us of the official procedure for indenting for them.

Finally we ask you to delegate a representative of 52 SLU for the control of weighings of several articles issued by SSD of main interest is the control on flour(=maccaroni), which is issued in bags of 77 lbs. Since the bags rarely read this prescribed weight, our divisional distribution point is in difficulty in alloting our units their due quantity.

(Signed by Col. F. Garofoli)

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Subject: Formation of Training Increment POW. 52 British Medium Regt, CMF. 7 Feb 45.

To: Capt RSMR. Taylor, Camp Comd. 65 Lagrimo. 6/13/45.

1. Under authority of AFHQ letter GS/115(8-1(M) dated 17 Jan 45, 65 Fd Bty At Workshops is to be disbanded, and Training Increment POW att 52 BLU formed ref 25 Jan 45 as under:-

Unit	HE.	Serial No allotted.	Supervisory Authy
Training Increment POW att 52 BLU.	HA/540/1	117(3)	HQ 1 District.

2. The proposed HE is shown at Appx 'A'.

3. 65 Fd Bty At Workshops will be disbanded under supervision of 1 District.

4. Clothing, Equipment & Transport. Indents for the following will be submitted in accordance with instructions to be issued by supervisory authority, 1 District:-

(a) Replacements of clothing, necessaries and personal equipment to scale.
(b) Unit equipment to scale AF G1098-1000 (including anti-gas stores)
(c) Any other special or technical equipment of Ordnance supply required additional to AF G1098 scale, in accordance with Special Equipment List, issued by G(AS), AFHQ.
(d) Transport to complete to WE.

Existing equipment and transport of 65 Fd Bty At Workshops will be handed over as far as possible towards completion of scale.

5. Pay. Increments will be paid by unit to which attached.

6. Postal. Postal address will be: Training Increment, POW,
Attd 52 Bty
CMF.

7. Reasons For the Training Increment POW.
It is intended that the Fy Increment (POW) should assist the BLU MLO by:

(i) Assisting Italian personnel to obtain essential requirements which involve dealings with supporting units, eg: Fd Bde Workshops, Fd Bde recovery units, and RAOC.
(ii) [illegible]

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formed HQ 20 Jan 45 as under:-

Unit	WE.	Postal No allotted.	Supervisory Authy
Training Increment HQRA act 52 BLU.	WE/249/1	11757(b)	HQ 1 District.

2. The proposed WE is shown at Appx 'A'.

3. 65 Hy AA Regiment will be disbanded under supervision of 1 District.

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(c) Any other special or technical equipment of Ordnance supply required additional to AF G1098 scale, in accordance with Special Equipment List, issued by D(AM), AFHQ.
(d) Transport to complete to WE.

Existing equipment and transport of 65 Hy AA Regiment will be handed over as far as possible towards completion of scale.

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6. Postal. Postal address will be: Training Increment, RGHA,
A&SD 52 BLU
CMF.

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It is intended that the Trg Increment RGHA should combat the BLU BLU by:

(i) Assisting Italian personnel to obtain essential requirements which involve dealings with supporting units, eg. 3rd Line Workshops, 3rd Line recovery units, and DRPs.
(ii) Assisting Italian units in technical, organisation and workshop matters, and recovery problems.

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The proposed WE provides for one OR per Italian workshop and LAD, plus an armourer to function on a Gruppo basis. Also a driver for the 15 cwt tarak. The 8 tradesmen including the armourer have been chosen from various trades so as to produce the necessary range of technical assistance - thus, although they are scaled on a basis of 1 per workshop and LAD, it is intended that the RGHA should arrange for the various kinds of tradesmen to carry out specialised duties with any unit as may be required.

The 9 motor-cycles are to enable tradesmen to visit workshops and LADs etc. The truck 15 cwt is for carriage of kit.

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Major,
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ANNEX 'A'

TABLE OF ESTABLISHMENT AUTHORITY MEMO (For Canada and Commonwealth)

(1) Personnel

Warrant Officer Cl II
Armament Artificer Veh — 1

Staff Sergeant
Armament Artificer RI — 1

Sergeant
Armourer — 1
Vehicle Mechanic — 1

Corporals
Vickers Medium MK — 1
Vehicle Mechanic — 1
Storeman Vehicle — 1

L/Corporals
Driver Mechanic — 1
Vehicle Mechanic — 1

Pte. Drivers and Privates
Driver L/C — 1

Total 12

(2) Vehicles

Truck 15 cwt 4x4 GS — 1
Motor cycles — 2

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D.A. & Q.M.G. (2)
D.D.O.S. No. 1 District (
D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U.

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th February 45. (13)

Visit of A.D.O.S. No.1 District to Legnano Gruppi - Feb. 2nd.

1. The D.A.D.O.S. 52 B.L.U. had just opened his Dump when I arrived, his Stores Vehicles having that day come up from their old & location.

2. Discussed with Italian Chief of Staff, DADOS 52 B.L.U. and Major Scoppitto (Italian D.A.D.O.S.) reported shortages of Clothing and Equipment (see Appendix "A")

3. Agreed with D.A.D.S.T. (Major Penfold) B.L.U. and C. of S. that Major Scoppitto was to work for D.A.D.O.S. full time, and not dabble with Rations, as he was apparently doing at the moment.

4. C. of S. requested that they be allowed to purchase certain items from NAAFI, i.e. cigarettes, tooth-paste, handkerchiefs and toilet soap - agreed to discuss with Q No.1 District.

5. C. of S. agreed to publish order that Boots and Socks should be inspected regularly and all unsuitable to be returned to D.A.D.O.S. promptly for exchange or repair.

6. D.A. & Q.M.G. B.L.U. (Major Gwythre) was not clear where demands for Controlled Stores should be sent - 8 Army or Q No.1 District. I told him 8th Army but would get Q No.1 District to confirm. Understand this has been done (Gould - Carr spoke)

7. Office work is handicapped by lack of electricity. This is not switched on until approx. 2100 hrs or later.

8. Visited O.F.P. (Capt. Bidon) - only the H.Q. had arrived - the three stores sections were still at 557 B.O.D. scaling. All men had 3 blankets (some had 4) 2 pairs of boots, 1 greatcoat (British or Italian), ground sheet or gas cape. The cookhouse was equipped with sufficient Italian equipment. H.Q. vehicles are well maintained, the British daily task system had been introduced. Billets clean (all men on "beds"). The O.C. had recently attended a British O.F.P. course at the S. of L., and impressed me with his keenness. D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. confirmed this impression.

9. Visited 11th Arty. Regt. - 3 Bty - Capt. Lanzarecchia. All men had 3 (or 4) blankets, 2 pairs of boots, 1 greatcoat (British or Italian) No dubbin, rifle oil, or laces for 2nd pair of boots - all available in DADOS Dump - had been issued by Q.M. Cookhouse was functioning satisfactorily with Italian equipment. Rifles inspected were all clean, but dry through lack of issue of rifle oil. All men slept on "beds". Vehicles, Guns and Trailers were clean, and had been correctly maintained.

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Colonel,
A.D.O.S.
No. 1 District.

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APPENDIX "A"

Boots - All men had 2 pairs - either 2 pr. Brit or 1 pr. Brit - 1 pr It. C.of S. was under the impression that they were to have 2 pairs British and return the Italian pair. Explained that the Italian pair would be replaced by Brit. when worn out. Arranged with A.D.O.S. 55 Area to repair 100 pairs of the Gruppi's boots per day. Units were doing soleing and heeling, for which Grindery had been issued.

Dubbin - D.A.D.O.S. had issued 2 months supply and has a further months supply in stock. C. of S. was requested to issue orders that dubbin must be used, and not the black Italian polish which could not now be obtained. This was apparently mistaken for dubbin and reported "not available"

Rifle Oil - D.A.D.O.S. has good stocks and has issued to all units.

Greatcoats - D.A.D.O.S. has received and issued 6,000, although a large quantity will be too small. All greatcoats inspected were clean, although a few were patched. Explained to C. of S. that there was a shortage and until further supplies were forthcoming, men must make do with the Italian greatcoats. He agreed that all men had either British or Italian greatcoats, and will shortly have a vest (woollen) and gloves (woollen) (New scale)

Groundsheets (or Gas Capes) - A big shortage. D.A.D.O.S. B.L.U. has taken all action to obtain. Understand that the D.M.T. is taking action at A.F.H.Q. to obtain release of 10,000 gas capes in lieu. A number of Units had Italian groundsheets, which were quite satisfactory.

Cooking Equipment - A shortage of British equipment, but all units had Italian equipment in lieu, which though not so good, is adequate. 400 Camp Kettles are in transit from B.O.D. Other items have been reported "not available".

Towels - D.A.D.O.S. has issued all available. All men have either a British or Italian towel, though the latter are unsatisfactory.

Vehicles - D.A. & Q.M.G. B.L.U. is sending deficiency list to Q No. 1 District, though I understand that all vehicles have been released but not sufficient drivers I/C are available to draw them.

Blankets - All men had 3 and a large proportion 4, (two Iti.and 1 or 2 Brit)

Soap - Supplied from Italian sources through [redacted] M.M.I.A., but not apparently forthcoming. Instructed D.A.D.O.S. to watch closely and if necessary augment from British sources.

Ammunition. - A dump of 2nd line ammunition was left behind by Fruili Gruppi. Has been inspected and checked, and have been instructed to take over.

Mortars - 3" full entitlement has been released (40) but have only drawn 10.

Rifles, Brens, Thompson M/G, Pistols all drawn to scale.

P.I.A.T.s - Have received 126 Entitlement 178.

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SUBJECT: Italian Combat Groups - British Directives. CONFIDENTIAL.

Land Forces Sub Com, A.C.
(M.M.I.A.)
S/G/29/33
18 Jan 45.

To: Ministry of War (2 copies)

copy to:

50 B.L.U.	6 copies.
51 B.L.U.	6 "
52 B.L.U.	6 "
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56 B.L.U.	6 "
R.T.C. (Maj GELARDI)	10 copies.
A.F.H.Q.	20 "
15 Army Group	20 "
D.M.T.	10 "
1 District	4 "
2 "	1 "
3 "	3 "

1. In continuation of my S/G/29/33 dated 16 Jan 45, herewith the following British Directives for Italian Combat Groups, for necessary action:

No 13 Reinforcements
No 20 Ordnance Equipment.
No 21 Supplies, Ammunition and P.O.L.

two. WP.
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spares 50.

W. Pidsley Colonel
for Major General.
M.M.I.A.

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No. 13 - REINFORCEMENTS

1. The provision, accommodation, training and allocation of reinforcements of all kinds for Combat Groups is the responsibility of SMRE within the terms of this Directive and with such help from MMLA as is required. The object at all times will be to keep Groups up to their approved strength with well-trained men of the required types without waste of manpower or material.

2. The Reinforcement Training Centre is located at CESANO station (15 miles N. W. of ROME).

3. All reinforcements for Combat Groups will be held on the strength of the Reinforcement Centre and will not exceed 15% of the authorised strength of the Combat Troops.

4. The Reinforcement Centre will be responsible for:-

(a) Testing, selection and allocation of suitable personnel to appropriate units within the Depot, according to their territorial physical, technical or personal qualifications for the various arms of the service and in suitable proportions to meet expected requirements.

(b) Documentation and administration in accordance with Italian Army Regulations.

(c) Equipment and clothing, in accordance with scales approved for the Combat Force.

(d) Training in basic, combat or technical duties, in accordance with standards laid down by Allied Comds (through the Allied Director of Military Training D.M.T.)

(e) Allocation to units in accordance with deficiencies reported.

5. Unit Commanders will inform Group HQ weekly by means of a strength state on the prescribed specific of their deficiencies as follows:-

(a) Killed or died - from date of death.

(b) Wounded or sick - after 15 days or as soon as evacuated from the Group Field Hospital Area.

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(c) Missing or absent - after 15 days absence.

(d) Permanently posted away from unit - from date of posting.

Reinforcements are not to be demanded to replace men on courses or away on temporary duty or attachment, or otherwise absent under 15 days.

6. Strength States and Deficiencies from units will be consolidated at Group HQ and sent weekly (on Saturdays) by quickest means to the R.T.C., copies being sent to S.M.R.E. and to the ELU concerned. Special demands in the case of heavy casualties may be made at any time.

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7. The R.T.C. Commander will normally supply the reinforcements demanded without further authority as far as he is able. If there are not enough available reinforcements he will apply (through his Liaison Officer) to M.M.I.A. for a decision on priorities.

8. Movement of reinforcements from R.T.C. to units will be the responsibility of M.M.I.A. Liaison Officer at the R.T.C. who will receive instructions on this matter from HQ M.M.I.A. Transit Camps may be established in forward areas to facilitate this. Normally a basic allocation of 200 men per Group per week will be allotted on railways to cover anticipated demands; extra rail or road transport being provided as necessary.

9. The number of reinforcement held in the R.T.C. will be shown each week on a statement to be sent by the R.T.C. Commander to S.M.R.E. and to the Liaison Officer for forwarding to M.M.I.A. This will form the basis for enlistment for further men and will show the numbers of reinforcements:-

(a) authorised.

(b) present

(c) available for posting.

(d) received during past week.

(e) despatched during past week.

It will be similar in form to that used by units and Group HQ for demanding reinforcements.

10. Replenishment of the R.T.C. is the responsibility of the Ministry of War after such consultations with M.M.I.A. regarding recalls, and calling up as are needed to maintain the authorised holding of reinforcements. In planning for this, consideration will be given to the anticipated wastage due to all causes, to returns from hospital, imprisonment or other absence, and to the yield of various districts, so that strength may be maintained without exceeding the authorised ceiling.

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE.

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No 20. ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT.

1. ORGANISATION.

Each Combat Group H.Q. has an Ord Field Park which is responsible for supplying (and replacing parts to) all vehicles, guns and technical equipment. In addition there is an Ordnance 'Dump' through which are obtained all supplies of Clothing and General stores. Stocks of technical spares are held in the Field Park on approved scales which may not be exceeded. There is a small holding of Clothing and General Stores in the 'Dump'.

Indents for spares and replacements when received are either met from existing holdings or passed to a larger Ordnance unit or installation for supply. Indents and correspondence on Ordnance matters addressed to British Army authorities outside the Combat Group will be sent by or through the British Ordnance Officer (B.A.D.O.S.) on the Staff of the B.L.U. This officer is responsible for the technical supervision of all Ordnance Supply matters.

2. ENTITLEMENT OF ORDNANCE STORES.

Combat Group personnel and units will be clothed and equipped in accordance with scales laid down in 'Normal Equipment Lists for an Italian Combat Group', which are common to all units, and 'Special Equipment Lists' which show scales of Special Equipment for particular units.

3. METHOD OF REPLACEMENT.

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or through the British Ordnance Officer (D.A.D.O.S.) on the Staff of the D.L.O. This officer is responsible for the technical supervision of all Ordnance Supply matters.

2. ENTITLEMENT OF ORDNANCE STORES.

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4. GENERAL.

D.A.D.O.S. publishes instructions as necessary giving detailed instructions, e.g. when bulk indents must be rendered, lists of various controlled stores etc. He acts as adviser on all matters of supply of Ordnance Equipment and should be consulted in any case of doubt.

5. CONDEMNATION.

General stores (other than Clothing) which become unserviceable will be sent to the Ordnance 'Dump' for condemnation. Such stores may be condemned only on the authority of the British D.A.D.O.S. or his representative. Clothing may be condemned by the Officer Commanding unit, and will be returned to D.A.D.O.S. 'Dump' when condemned.

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No. 21 - SUPPLIES, AMMUNITION & POL.

1. ORGANISATION WITHIN GROUPS

(a) Each Combat Group is allotted one Supply and Transport Company (Trasporti e refornimenti) for the carriage and delivery to units of the Group of the rations, ammunition and petrol and lubricants, and also to hold certain reserves of certain commodities. This transport is known as 2nd Line Transport.

(b) The Supply and Transport Company is organised as follows:-

i. Company H.Q. 3 Transport Platoons, each of 30-3 ton vehicles, subdivided into 5 Sections, each of 6-3 ton vehs.

ii. 2 Composite Platoons containing the technical and other personnel needed for the receipt, handling, storage, issue and accounting of rations, ammunition and petrol and lubricants.

One platoon will always operate with the Company. The Second Platoon is to reinforce existing Allied installations and may therefore be detached from the Company, although remaining under command.

iv. 3 Relief Driver Increments of which 1 R.D.I. is allotted to each Transport Platoon and contains personnel for duty as relief drivers and also for loading duties.

(c) A Workshop Platoon of the Mechanical Engineer Company is attached containing the mobile equipment and technical personnel necessary to repair and maintain the vehicles of the Company, plus any other vehicles which may be affiliated to the Company for maintenance, e.g. Vehicles of Division HQ.

(d) In addition each Combat Group is supported by a small Field Bakery intended as an increment to Allied field bakeries, but capable of operating independently.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMANDER

The Officer Commanding the Supply and Transport Company is responsible:-

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(c) To administer his service within the Group in accordance with the policy and technical instructions issued by higher command.

3. SUPPLY & REPLENISHMENT IN FORWARD AREAS

(a) Reserves

i. Each unit in the Group holds certain authorised reserves of rations, ammunition and POL known as Unit or 1st. Line Reserves.

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ii. The supply and transport company holds other authorised reserves of rations etc. known as 2nd. Line Reserves.

iii. Further reserves are held at every link of the supply chain.

(b) Principle of Replenishment

The principle is that anything expended by a unit, is replaced from the 1st. Line reserve, which in turn is replenished from the 2nd Line reserve held by the Supply and Transport Company. The latter then restores its authorised reserve holdings by drawing from its own source of supply.

(c) Transport

Transport in the forward areas may normally fall into three classes:-

i. The transport of the fighting units known as 1st Line transport.

ii. The Supply and Transport Company, known as 2nd Line transport.

iii. A Transport Pool which may be formed under Army command.

These three classes operate as follows:-

1st Line Transport.	Carries everything the unit needs to fight and live and transports replenishment supplies received from 2nd Line transport.
2nd Line Transport.	Responsible for transport between the point at which delivery is made to 1st Line transport and the point at which the supply and transport company draws what it needs to maintain the Division.
Army Transport Pool.	Responsible for transport of supplies forward from the Line of Communication Terminal to the point at which the Supply and Transport Company takes delivery.

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4. THE SUPPLY SYSTEM - BASE TO 2nd LINE

i. Supplies of all commodities from the Base normally arrive daily at the Terminal of the L of C transportation system at a point called the HEAD, which may be a Rail, Road or Sea - HEAD, dependent upon the means of transportation employed.

ii. At the Head is established a Maintenance Area known as the Rail/Road/Sea Head Maintenance Area.

Under suitable operational conditions the Supply and Transport Company draws its requirements direct from this Maintenance Area, on a Time Table.

iii. In Mobile Operations and where the Rail Head Maintenance Area is too far back a Forward Maintenance Area may be established under Corps Control from which the Supply and Transport Company would draw its requirements.

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iv. If no forward Maintenance Area is established and the Railhead Maintenance Area is too far back to enable the supply and transport company to draw direct then the requirements of the supply and transport company will be taken forward by the Army Transport Pool to an agreed point known as the Refilling Point, where they will be transferred to the supply and transport company.

5. THE SUPPLY SYSTEM - 2ND LINE TO UNITS

i. Where the distances between the forward units and the supply and transport company is not great, e.g. not more than about 10-15 Km., 1st Line vehicles from units may come back to the supply and transport company to draw what is required.

ii. Where this distance is more than 15 Km. it is normal for the supply and transport company to carry supplies to within easy reach of the forward units.

When this is done transfers of supplies from 2nd Line Vehicles to 1st Line vehicles are effected at definite map reference locations known as POINTS.

There are normally separate POINTS as follows:-

(a) Ammunition Points

Normally hold ammunition of all types to a scale laid down by the staff and whilst established remains open 24 hours a day.

As vehicles of the supply and transport company at the A.P. are emptied they are automatically replaced by full vehicles from the company location.

(b) Petrol Points

Normally hold a fixed amount of P.O.L. and are usually established daily for a definite period (usually about 2 hours).

Forward units collect P.O.L. in their own 1st Line Transport.

(c) Supply Points

Rations, mail, and other small stores are normally taken to Supply Points daily in supply and transport company vehicles as previously prepared detail loads for each unit, which normally collects in its own 1st Line Transport.

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6. DETAILED SUPPLY ARRANGEMENTS

(a) Rations

On Day "D"

i. The unit makes out a ration indent three days ahead, and hands it to the supply and transport company representative when the unit goes to collect rations indented for previously.

ii. The supply and transport company summarizes all units' indents and sends a copy of this summary to the Maintenance

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Area from which the company draws its requirements. This acts as a demand on the Maintenance Area.

On Day "D" plus 1

i. The supply and transport company vehicles go to the Maintenance Area (or Refilling Point) and draws the rations demanded on Day "D". These are issued in bulk by the Maintenance Area based on the summary demand.

ii. The supply and transport company vehicles go back to the company location, or other suitable location, and break down the bulk received from the Maintenance Area into separate parcels for each unit, based on the units' indents.

This process is known as Breaking Bulk and the point at which the work is done is known as the Bulk Breaking Point.

On Day "D" plus 2

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ii. Units' 1st Line vehicles come to the supply and transport company location itself and receive their rations there, if more convenient.

On Day "D" plus 3

The units eat the rations.

(b) Petrol

A unit does not indent in advance for POL but sends daily to the Petrol Point (see para 5(ii) (b)), sufficient vehicles to draw in bulk what POL is needed to refill vehicle/tanks and restore the 1st Line Reserve. An estimate of the Groups probable requirements should be obtained by the Company Commander from the Commissariat Branch at the Group HQ. This will enable the Company Commander to know how many vehicles he need to send to the Petrol Point.

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ii. If expenditure of artillery ammunition is expected to be heavy, gun ammunition may be dumped in quantity at, or close to, gun positions by the Second Line Company (even assisted by Army Pool Transport if necessary). This process is known as a Dumping programme.

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7. MISCELLANEOUS STORES

Forage; fuel for lighting, heating and cooking; disinfectants; water sterilization chemicals; extra rations for invalids; mail; parcels; small engineer stores; small ordnance stores; canteen stores; water, where necessary, and reserves of clothing etc are carried and delivered to forward units by the supply and transport company in accordance with the general principles and system outlined in the foregoing paragraphs.

8. CARRIAGE OF TROOPS BY MOTOR TRANSPORT

The supply and transport company of the Combat Groups does not consist of a number of vehicles allocated to specific purposes. It is, in effect, a pool of transport which divisional or higher formation Commanders may use for any required task.

One of the more frequent uses is to lift marching personnel, in regard to which the following points should be noted:-

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(b) The following division of responsibilities governs arrangements for the movement of troops by M.T.

i. The Group HQ Staff is responsible for issueing complete orders for the move, which will include the running speed; density of vehicles on the road; halts; routes; traffic control posts etc. and for nominating an officer to command the column.

ii. The supply and transport company is responsible for providing the necessary vehicles; arrival at embussing points at the right time and in the right order of vehicles; serial numbering of all vehicles and for the move; providing spare vehicles; making arrangements to deal with breakdowns; march discipline.

iii. The appointed column Commander is the deciding authority in all matters during the move, but will avoid interference with the technical matters concerning the operation of the transport and will consult the officer in charge of the vehicles on all points affecting their proper operation.

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7. The officer in charge of the vehicles has not completed his duty immediately troops have been debussed, but remains under command of column Commander until the latter states that the move is completed. If, however, no previous dispersal orders have been issued, the officer in charge of the vehicles will remain under command the column Commander until such orders are received.

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE.

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No. 1 - GENERAL - SCOPE.

(Issued by M.M.I.A.)

1. OBJECT OF BRITISH DIRECTIVES.

Now that the Italian Army is cooperating with the Allied Forces in combat and is receiving arms, ammunition and equipment from them, it is necessary to coordinate its methods of training and administration with those of the Allies so as to make cooperation really effective. For this reason short Directives are being prepared by Allied Headquarters.

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Accommodation	Transportation.

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3. USE OF DIRECTIVES.

Directives will be translated by the Ministry of War and made known to all officers of the Combat Force; relevant parts may also be communicated to commanders of other formations and units of the Italian Army if considered applicable.

4. AN INDEX TO DIRECTIVES (as far as at present contemplated) is as follows:

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE.

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No. 2 (ORGANISATION)
(Issued by M.M.I.A.)

1. All Units of the Combat Force will be organised in accordance with the authorised and published War Establishments (Organici)

2. The numbers of officers and men in units will NOT exceed those authorised. Units will be maintained at as near full strength as possible, in accordance with the directive on REINFORCEMENTS. Personnel from sources outside the authorised strength of the Combat Force are NOT to be attached to Combat Force units without Allied (M.M.I.A.) approval.

3. (a) The function of the various fighting units will follow normal Italian practice with such modifications as are from time to time ordered to ensure uniformity in action with Allied Forces.

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(c) The officer commanding the Ordnance Field Park (Deposito Mobile) will be responsible for the supply and replacement of guns, vehicles and technical material which in the Italian Army is the responsibility of the user service. Materials Officer will similarly be responsible for clothing and general stores. Method of demanding replacements will be laid down in the ordnance directives.

(d) The C.C. Mechanical Engineer (Officine meccaniche) will be responsible for the recovery and repairs to all vehicles, machinery and technical equipment so far as his facilities permit. Major repairs or re-

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(e) The Supply and Transport Coy (Trasporti e rifornimento.) will be responsible for:-

(i) Supply of rations, petrol oil and fuel and forage.
(ii) Transport of all supplies, stores and ammunition outside the scope of units.

The load-carrying vehicles of this Coy may be used by the Group Commander for carrying personnel or material as necessary within the terms laid down in the Supply and Transport Directive

5. Auxilliary Units of Italian personnel are provided to augment the British Services behind the fighting zone. They will be organised and will function on the same principles as above.

6. Reinforcements will be obtained, trained, equipped and posted to units in accordance with the Directive on Reinforcements.

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ITALIAN COMBAT FORCE

BRITISH DIRECTIVE No. 3 - COMMAND and LIAISON

(Issued by M.M.I.A.)

1. Italian Combat Groups will operate under Allied Command, for all purposes except Internal Administration, as soon as their reorganisation is complete. Being organised on a Divisional basis, they will normally be placed (either singly or together) under command of a British Corps in the forward area or of a British District in rear. They may, however, be used as part of any formation or in any way considered advisable by the Allied C. in C.

2. Auxiliary Units of the Combat Force will similarly be placed under orders of appropriate Allied HQ or temporarily attached to Combat Groups if the administrative situation requires it.

3. Internal Administration, which means the control of matters affecting units or personnel in their role as an integral part of the Italian Army, will be the direct responsibility of the Ministry of War; any questions in which the Allies are concerned being dealt with by or through M.M.I.A.

4. A British Liaison Unit (BLU) is appointed to the HQ of each Combat Gp to act as the channel of communication in both directions for all matters between the Group Commander and Allied Headquarters. The officer in charge of the BLU will be responsible for passing all orders from appropriate Allied commanders to his Group Commander. Where action required is indicated in general terms only, or by a statement of policy, the Oi/c BLU will be responsible for defining or amplifying the general orders so as to ensure attainment of their object. In this respect the Oi/c BLU is a Staff Officer of the Allied Commander concerned and orders coming through him will be regarded as having the authority of that Allied Commander.

5. Administrative Services are as represented in the BLU by appropriate officers; technical matters pertaining to such services will be dealt with by these officers acting as the channel of communication between Allied and Italian services in these matters.

6. A MMLA Liaison Officer is attached to each BLU, and is the channel of communication and adviser on all matters of internal administration (as defined in para 3). His decisions will be regarded as having the authority of the Director MMLA.

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H.Q. "Legnano"
P.M. 155. 17/1/45.

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No 01/126

Subject: Auxiliary Unit.
To. 52. B.L.U.

For Information:—
STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO,
UFFICIO ORD-MOB.

Comando G.R. COMB. "Legnano" Uff. Com Leg. Servizi
COM. PARCO MOBILE (A.E.A.)

The following units are under the disciplinary and administrative Command of this H.Q.:—

470th Field Hosp.
576th " "
34th Surgical Unit.
29th X. Ray Unit.
183rd Maintenance. Tech. Section
1st Bakery Section. A 2713

And Being that S.M.R.E. has ordered that this H.Q. must put them in a state of readiness, would B.L.U. please authorise the distribution to them of stores as laid down in the mobilisation allotment for auxiliary units.

d'ordine,
Il Capo di Stato-Magg.
(Col F. Garofoli).

20 JAN 1945

COMANDO GRUPPO DI COMBATTIMENTO "LEGNANO"
- Sezione Operazioni - Informazioni -
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N. 01/126 di.prot. P.M.155,li 17 gennaio 1945 (Ore 1600)

O G G E T T O: unità ausiliarie.

ALLA "" 52ª "" B. L. U. = S E D E

e, per conoscenza:

ALLO STATO MAGGIORE REGIO ESERCITO = P.M.3800
- Ufficio Ord. e Mob. -

AL COMANDO GR.COMB."LEGNANO"- Uff.Commissariato
- Sez. Servizi } a mano

AL COMANDO PARCO MOBILE (A.G.A.) = P.M. 155

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Le seguenti unità ausiliarie sono alle dipendenze disciplinari ed amministrative di questo comando:

- 470° Ospedale da campo
- 576° Ospedale da campo
- 34° Nucleo chirurgico
- 29ª Ambulanza radiologica
- 183ª Sezione manutenzione tecnica
- 1ª Squadra panettieri

E poichè lo S.M.R.E. ha disposto che questo comando deve provvedere al loro approntamento, si prega codesto B.L.U. di voler autorizzare la distribuzione dei materiali previsti per ciascuna unità dalle dotazioni di mobilitazione per le unità ausiliarie.-

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IL CAPO DI STATO MAGGIORE
(Col. F.Garofoli)

20 JAN 1945

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Ordnance Administration in Italian Combat Groups.

1D/13/10(126)OS

17 Jan 45

D.A.D.O.S.,
52 B.L.U.

1. To enable the other Italian Combat Groups to profit by the experience gained by you with the Gruppo to which 52 B.L.U. is attached, and with a view to the improvement of efficiency of control within the division, please forward to this Directorate by the 31 Jan a short review (in triplicate) of,

(a) The method of distribution of Ordnance Stores by lower formations to units
(b) Misappropriations, misuse and wastage of Ordnance stores through lack of maintenance together with your recommendations.

2. Attached is a copy of a similar report by D.A.D.O.S., 50 B.L.U. together with comments by this Directorate. A criticism of this report should be included in the appreciation being submitted by you.

(J.W.CARR) Lt. Col. for,
Colonel,
D.D.O.S., No. 1 District.

CMF
Tel: 6195

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COPY.

Subject:- Ordnance Administration of Italian Combat Group.

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50 Brit Liaison Unit (ORDNANCE)
Ref:- ORD/57
12 Jan 45.

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D.D.O.S., 1 District(2)

Copy to:- A.D.O.S., 55 Area.

Your 1D/13/10(91)OS dated 2 Jan was received by me pm 10 Jan 45.

1. I forward herewith a review as directed on the following:-

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(i) Much more could be desired but it must be appreciated, and, in fairness to the Italian personnel, that the Group had little or no Ordnance stores fora considerable period before equipping started in earnest.

(ii) Formations were then confronted with enormous quantities of material absolutely foreign to them, with only Normal and Special Equipment Lists in English to check from, and no British personnel available to guide.

(iii) During the "quiet" period no tuition or attention could be given to the Officers and their Staff who would eventually be responsible for the distribution of material due to the fact that DADOS and staff were engaged on the preparation of indents for the whole Group.

(iv) Chaotic conditions arose rapidly but the keenness of some of the Group Accounting Officers made some sort of order out of chaos.

(v) Dump personnel (BOR included) were not helpful at this period- items such as Rifles, Machine Guns, Bofors, 25 pdrs etc were divorced from their associated equipments, vouchers extracted from the material received and then it was impossible to marry up.

(vi) Distribution from Dump to Formations was simple if the items were addressed to a unit. Bulk items were regarded as "stock" and it was a feature of impossibility for the Italian staff to break down such items, this was done by DADOS and staff.

(vii) Formations and units have been instructed to maintain records of issues and receipts.

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Flanelette 4 x 2
(a) in lieu oftoilet paper.
(b) neckscarves.

Oil, various types
For outward cleansing of vehicles

((iii) Wastage of clothing and equipment up to the present has been due chiefly through desertion and theft. I have received no demands of any abnormality for any one item, in fact units are only just beginning to indent for stores. I hope to carry out inspections in the near future.

2. No Ordnance Services exists in the Italian Army, consequently there is no equivalent to a DADOS.

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Production and equipment is undertaken by the Commissariato who has an office for each Branch e.g.:-

Artillery Service - Manufactures and provides all harness equipment, arms and ammunition for the Army.
Engineer " - Provides all signal equipment for the Army, engineer material, tools, etc.
Supply " - Responsible for clothing and stores of a domestic nature, including food.

3. Recommendations.

(a) Staff (British)

In view of para (1), at commencement of mobilisation, and the amount of work by DADOS and Ord staff now executed, I consider the establishment pathetic and I suggest the following should be the establishment for any new group that may be formed in the future:-

DADOS		1	
Staff Officer		1	
BCWO's		3	
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S/Sgt	1		
Cpl	1		
Ptes	2+	4	+One typist
Storemen:			
Sgt	1o		o Of Good Grade
Ptes	12x	13	x Specialists in Vote 9 (Sigs & Arty) and 2 with MT experience for CFP. Temporarily attached until Group is equipped.

(b) Staff (Italian)

(i) Disbandment of the Commissariato, and, for Groups to re-organize on British lines, this would be a wise move.
(ii) An Officer be appointed and trained in the duties of a DADOS.
(iii) All potential Officers i/c materials to be given an Ordnance course. (iv) All Military Clerks and Storemen dealing with Ordnance Stores be given an Ordnance course.

(v) That Normal and Special Equipment Lists be printed in English and Italian and prepared in the same manner as our AFG 1098, consequently to be useable as an "Accounting Document".
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(c) I feel that I cannot see how a Group can function efficiently without the Ordnances Services unless (b) is agreed to.

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Sgd.??????Major,
D.A.D.O.S.

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COPY.

H.Q., No. 1 DISTRICT.
ORD. A.F.H.Q. ELEMENT.

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Subject:- Ord. Admin. of Italian Combat Groups.

Ord/P/5004.
Tel:- 5159
15 Jan 45

To:- D.O.S., A.F.H.Q.

Copy to:- D.D.O.S., 1 District
D.A.D.O.S., 50 B.L.U.

1. Attached is a copy of a report submitted by D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U. for your information and comment.

2. Regarding the recommendation made in para 3, herewith our remarks:-

(a) sub para (a). The increase of an O.O. is recommended as although the Italian Ordnance Officer on the staff of D.A.D.O.S. 50 B.L.U. is reported as being efficient and hardworking - D.A.D.O.S. has found it so far impossible to visit any units at all. It is essential in a formation for the senior Ordnance Officer to be freed of office routine so that he can personally inspect Ord. services in units. In the case of Italian Combat Groups this function is even more important, in order to combat misuse of stores and lack of knowledge of Ordnance procedure. The temporary attachment of some storemen is also recommended, but 12 seems to be on the high side and as these men are required for instructional purposes, it is considered that they should be N.C.Os. As a counter suggestion, a team of say 6 N.C.Os from the School of Instruction could be attached to each B.L.U. during the period of training and for a further two months under operational conditions.

(b) sub para (b) The suggestions in (1) and (ii) cannot be considered as they run counter to the policy laid down by M.M.I.A. Consideration, however, could be given to sub paras (iii) (iv) (v).

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Brigadier,
D.D.O.S.

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Brigadier,
D.D.O.S.

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Subject: Overseas administration of Italian Airbase Depots. SECRET.

52 British Liaison Unit,
G.H.Q.
AIW/3/31.
2 February 1943.

D.D.O.S.,
No. 1 District,
Cairo.

References your ID/13/10(120)/OS dated 17th January 1943.

1. Method of distribution.
Bulk items.

(i) Lectures were given to Unit representatives on correct method of indenting, and instructions issued for Units to submit indents for bulk items on 1st and 15th of each month. After two initial testing troubles, the indents were of a good standard.

(ii) Two personnel in the dump were instructed on issue procedure, and were able to issue on approved indents under Brit. O.R. supervision. Standard packages were issued as correct, but Units reported deficiencies on every package. It was therefore decided to open both and check before issue, and discrepancies from units are not admitted. The issue of bulk items was carried out fairly efficiently.

(iii) Accounting for bulk items was very poor, and it was necessary to install a proper system. The system allows postage to be seen at a glance, and is used for checking indents. A copy of Tally sheet is attached, which explains this system.

Technical stores.

(i) Stores addressed to units are accounted for by units. A simple record is kept in the dump, of packages in transit, and receipts obtained for packages only. No trouble was experienced with these stores. All issues of technical stores not addressed to units, were made by Brit. personnel, and the difficulties outlined in 30 B.A.D. letter, para. 4a, and para. (v) were experienced by this formation. At this period the B.A.D. worked long hours identifying items, and then issuing units entitled to them. This was very unsatisfactory and many mistakes were made.

2. Maintenance.

A careful check was made of all indents, and clothing was issued in accordance with strength of unit. Replacements are only issued on a one for one basis. So far, very few units have been inspected, but it is obvious that misuse and lack of maintenance is prevalent throughout the Group. Vehicles have been found standing for days on flat tyres. Tyre pressures are seldom correct. Small arms inspected were in a very bad condition, and had never been cleaned by units.

INITIAL EQUIPPING

3. (i) The main difficulties encountered were (a) extracting from units (a) controlled, and (b) all controlled stores, or B.D.S. restricted stores, as

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(ii) Detailing from Ordnance, spares and ancillary stores issued with equipments.

(iii) Stores received without vouchers.

4. Recommendations.

(i) Indents to be passed through District, and controlled stores to be extracted and put up for release in bulk by District.

(ii) Ancillary stores and spares issued with equipments should not be included in the body of S.R.O., but shown as an Appendix.

(iii) No. 4 copies of vouchers be sent by post to D.A.D.O.S.

(iv) All stores, other than bulk items be addressed to units.

(v) The Brit. staff be increased as recommended by D.A.D.O.S. 30 B.A.D.

Major.

(G.H. GORDON).

D.A.D.O.S. 32 B.A.D.

G.H.Q./mjb.

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FROM BADOS 53 SLU GHC 271400A
TO DADOS 52 SLU C.E
ROC CP 52 BT
03/32 (.) RESTRICTED (.) REF YOUR [redacted] SIGNAL CS/14 (.) NO 2
ENGINEERS FIELD PARK DEP TO BE ADMINISTERED BY US AIR FORCES
SUBMITTED AND G1095 MAINLY RECEIVED (.) MEETING HOUR ABOUT NEW
DEPOT MEDICAL STORES (.) REF BY SIGNAL CS/22 OF 22 PLEASE REPLY
SUBJECT WHETHER YOU HAVE SUBMITTED ALL INDENTS FOR 220 FIELD
HOSPITAL NOW TO BE EQUIPPED AT U.S (.)
TEL 251100A

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TO — For Action — (W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions — GR

Originator's No.

3632/GHQP/44.

This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means [except Wireless]	If liable to be intercepted or to fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System	Op.
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM)
: 16 November 1944
NUMBER 47)

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE SCALES FOR CIVILIANS EMPLOYED BY THE ALLIED FORCES IN ITALY, SICILY & SARDINIA

1. a. APPLICATION OF THESE REGULATIONS - These regulations apply to the direct employment of civilian labor and will be observed by all branches of the Allied Forces. These regulations are not applicable to a civilian organization such as a railroad, public utility, etc., which may be taken over by the Allied Forces; in such a case, wages and other conditions of employment shall remain unchanged until positive notice.

b. CONTRARY REGULATIONS - These regulations supersede all regulations previously issued by AFHQ Adv Adm Echelon or any other unit or command of the Allied Armies in Italy which are contrary thereto.

2. RECRUITMENT

a. British Installations and Units - Applications for employees will normally be made to the nearest Pioneer Corps Civil Labor Unit - "CLU". Should this not be possible, applications will be made to the nearest Civil Affairs Officer, AMG.

b. American Installations and Units - Applications for employees will be cleared through the nearest Base Section Headquarters or such other Labor Offices as may be established in any particular locality from time to time. Wherever possible, all applications should be routed through the AMG/AC Labor Offices.

3. RATES OF PAY

a. Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale - Employees throughout Italy will be paid below or within the rates set forth in the schedules attached at appendices "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E", which shall be designated the "Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale" and are effective from 1 October 1944. This scale may be altered upward or downward by reason of:

(1) Difference in cost of living in particular provinces;

(2) Adjustment to the general level of wages prevailing in the province for similar work;

but under no circumstances will any increases above the maximum of Basic Wage Scale be authorized without the prior authority of AFHQ, Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board).

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b. Monthly Rates of Pay - For the purpose of calculating payment for periods of less than one month, monthly rates of pay are related to an average of 26 working days per month at 8 hours per day.

c. Pay in Sicily and Sardinia - Employees in Sicily and Sardinia will be paid below or within the rates which will be published as appendices at a later date. Under no circumstances will any increases above the maximum laid down in these scales be authorized without the prior authority of AFHQ, (Allied Force Local Resources (Italian) Board).

d. Procedure in respect of New Grades - Provisional rates for grades not listed will be established by appropriate Labor Officers in conjunction with AC/AMG. They will confirm, in writing to the AC/AMG the classification and rate of pay fixed. Application will then be made to the AFHQ Local Resources (Italian) Board for approval.

e. Pay on Engagement

(1) All labor will be engaged at or below the minimum rate of pay laid down in appendices "A", "B", "C", "D", and "E", and will be paid at this rate for at least seven (7) days. During this period they will be trade tested and thereafter receive a rate of pay commensurate with their skill and ability below or within the limits set out in appendices "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E", or such other authorized rate as may be amended by the variation authorized in paragraphs 3(a) and 3 (b) above.

(2) All labor which has been employed previously by the Allied Forces may, at the discretion of the employing service, be re-engaged at the same rate of pay on production of a certificate from the previous employing unit stating reasons for discharge and the latest rate of pay in issue.

f. Pay for Night Shifts - The daily basic rate of all persons employed on night shift may be increased by 10 lire. This applied only to workers engaged on a night shift, and not to those working through day shift into the night. Overtime for such night workers will be paid at one and one half times the increased base rate.

g. Advances - No advances of pay will be made under any circumstances.

h. Differential between Male and Female Employees - The scale and rates of pay for female employees shall be 15% less than the comparable rates and scales for male employees except where separate female classifications are listed.

4. HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

a. Hours of Work per Day - All employees, whether paid on an hourly, daily or monthly basis, will be expected to work a minimum of eight (8) hours per day exclusive of meal times or time required to travel to and from the place of employment.

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b. Days of Work per Week - They will normally be expected to work a minimum of six (6) continuous days per week.

c. Overtime - Overtime will be paid for each completed hour in excess of eight (8) hours per day to all grades, except those specifically designated in the appendices as being ineligible for overtime pay, at the rate of one and one half times the hourly rate of pay. Overtime rates may also be paid in any locality for the seventh consecutive day of working whether Sunday or a week day. However, overtime should be discouraged in the interests of efficiency and the employment of surplus labor.

5. LEAVE

a. Annual Leave with Pay - Leave with pay at the rate of one half (½) day per month may be accumulated by monthly paid employees in clerical and administrative grades who have served the Armed Forces satisfactorily for six (6) months or more with the same Employing Service, to accrue from date of employment. Annual leave with pay will be granted to employees whose service has been satisfactory, and if the exigencies of the service permit. Annual leave with pay is not a basic right and cannot be allowed except under the above circumstances. No extra expense to the military unit or installation for the employment of a substitute will be allowed. Under no circumstances will pay in lieu of leave be given.

b. Leave without Pay - Leave without pay may be granted for any period, under circumstances approved by the Commanding Officer of the Military unit or establishment.

c. Public Holidays - Public holidays will not be recognized by any military unit or establishment and there will be no extra pay for work performed on feast days or holidays.

6. FEEDING OF EMPLOYEES

There will be no feeding of civilian employees except under rules and regulations prescribed by AFHQ/MTOUSA.

7. CLOTHING AND ACCOMMODATION

Clothing and accommodation will not be provided to civilian employees except under regulations promulgated by AFHQ.

8. ENTICEMENT

No employee will be permitted to change from one Allied unit to another without the agreement of the respective Employing Officers.

By command of General WILSON:

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APPENDIX "A" to AFHQ Memo #47

ALLIED FORCES BASIC WAGE SCALE

GRADE	LIRE MONTHLY Min.	Max.
Accountant	2,200	5,400
Assistant Purchasing Agent	3,000	6,300
Band Leader	3,000	5,500
Bookkeeper	2,000	5,000
Cashier Chief	2,500	4,400
Cashier	2,000	3,600
Cinema Manager	2,100	3,900
Clerk Office	2,000	3,600
Draughtsman	2,000	5,000
Draughtsman Chief	2,500	5,400
*Executive (business analysts, exporters, etc)	5,000	11,000
Interpreter, general	2,000	3,900
" , technical	2,600	4,900
Junior Adm. Assistant, clerk supervisor	2,200	5,400
*Professional Worker (electrical engineer, doctor, lawyer, dentist, construction, civil mechanical engineer)	4,000	11,000
Prisoner-of-war mail examiner	3,000	4,000
*Senior Administrative Assistant, Sub-professional worker	3,600	6,800
Shop Superintendent	3,000	5,800
Supervisor of Labor	9,000	10,000
Deputy " " "	7,500	8,500
Assistant Deputy Supervisor of Labor	5,500	6,800
Teacher, language, whole-time	2,600	4,900
Telephone Operator, speaking English	2,000	3,600
Telephone Operator, non-English speaking	2,000	2,500
Typist	2,000	3,600
Typist shorthand, English-speaking	2,100	3,900
Warehouse Superintendent	2,500	5,000
Wireless Operator (Sender & Receiver)	3,000	5,400

NOTES

ROME PROVINCE: For ROME Province 10% should be added to the Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale, calculated to the nearest five (5) lire.

*Overtime is not payable to these grades.

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APPENDIX "B" to AFHQ Adm. Memo #47

MESSES AND CLUBS

(Monthly Rates)

GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Assistant Cook	2,500	2,800
Assistant Manager	3,000	5,000
Assistant Waiter	2,500	2,800
Cashier	2,500	3,600
Cook	2,700	4,000
Dish Washer	2,500	2,800
Handyman	2,500	2,800
Head Cook	2,900	5,500
Headwaiter	3,000	5,000
Manager	3,900	6,500
Orderly (British Mess)	2,500	3,000
Waiter	2,700	3,700
Waitress	2,200	3,100
Juveniles (Male & Female under 17 years) all grades		1,500

NOTES: 1. All rates subject to a deduction of 300 lire per month where meals are provided.

2. The standard working day for Hotel, Mess and Club employees is 12 hours, and no overtime will normally be paid unless a legal collective contract, existing before 1 September 1942, can be produced and verified by AC/AFG. This only applies to the Hotels which are taken over and where the management is responsible for the entire administration and supply of labor, and not the Hotels, Messes and Clubs which are requisitioned and direct labor employed by the Armed Forces.

3. The rates for Messes and Clubs will apply to the whole of Italy.

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APPENDIX "G" to AFHQ Admin. Memo #47

HOTEL GRADES
(Monthly Rates)

GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Manager	3,900	7,400
Assistant Manager, Head Receptionist or Personnel Controller	3,500	5,900
Chief Cashier	2,500	4,400
Bookkeeper	2,000	4,000
Hall Porter	3,000	5,900
Porter	2,500	3,300
Hotel Watchman	2,700	3,900
Telephone Operator (English-speaking)	2,100	3,600
Telephone Operator (non-English speaking)	1,650	2,500
Elevator Operator	2,500	2,800
Bell Boy (over 17)	2,500	2,800
Bell Boy (under 17)	-	1,500
Handyman	2,500	3,300
Head Waiter	3,400	6,500
Waiter	2,700	4,400
Waitress	2,200	3,100
Assistant Waiter	2,500	2,800
Barman	3,500	4,500
Head Cook or Chef	2,900	7,000
Cook	2,700	4,400
Assistant Cook	2,500	2,800
Pot and Utensil Washer	2,500	3,000
Dish Washer	2,500	2,800
Storeman, Pantryman	2,500	3,600
Stillroom Hand	2,500	3,000
Housekeeper (female)	2,400	3,400
Linen keeper, Linen Hand (female)	2,100	3,400
Chambermaid	2,100	3,000
Laundryhand (male)	2,700	3,500
Laundryhand (female) or Ironing Woman	2,100	2,900
Hotel Plumber	2,400	3,150
" Electrician	2,550	3,600
" Painter	2,550	3,150
" Boilerman	2,400	3,150
" Mason	2,400	3,300
" Carpenter	2,400	3,150

NOTES: 1. No increase on the proposed Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale is authorized for ROME Province.

2. All rates subject to a deduction of 900 lire per month where meals are provided.

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3. The standard working day for Hotel, Mess and Club employees is 12 hours and no overtime will normally be paid unless a legal collective contract, existing before 1 September 1942, can be produced and verified by AC/AFG. This only applies to hotels which are taken over and where the management is responsible for the entire administration and supply of labor, and not to Hotels, Messes and Clubs which are requisitioned and direct labor employed by the Armed Forces.

4. These rates represent reasonable rates which should be used as the basis of remuneration in all classes of hotels. The scales for the various grades are sufficiently wide to allow for differentiation between different classes of hotels without any separate percentage deduction. Should the grading of hotels in any particular area be necessary for special local reasons it should be arranged at the discretion of the local area Commander within the limits of remuneration laid down.

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APPENDIX "D" to AFHQ A[illegible]. Memo #47

Salary Schedule for the
Employment of Classified Artisan, Skilled and Unskilled Grade Employees
of the Allied Armed Forces in Italy paid on a daily basis.

ALLIED FORCES BASIC WAGE SCALE

Foreman or Ganger : (Artisan & Skilled Labor) 10 Lire per day more than highest paid man under his supervision.

Foreman or Ganger : (Unskilled Labor) 10 Lire per day more than the rate paid to his men.

Chief Foreman : (Artisan and Skilled Labor supervising three (3) or more foremen or gangers) 4000 - 6000 Lire per month.

Chief Foreman : (Unskilled Labor supervising three (3) or more foremen or gangers) 3000 - 5400 Lire per month.

GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Ammunition Mechanic	90	135
Anti-Malarial Laborer	-	90
Apprentices, all grades	40	90
Artisan's Mate (helper)	85	105
Armature Winder	100	165
Armourer	100	145
Asphalt Layer	90	120
Baker	90	120
Baler, clothing and soft goods	85	105
Barber	85	115
Battery Worker	90	135
Blacksmith	90	125
Boilermaker	90	125
Boilerman	90	120
Bookbinder	105	125
Bookbinder's Assistant	85	100
Boot Machinist	90	120
Boot Machine Operator Mechanic	100	126
Brakeman	90	120
Bricklayer	90	120
Butcher	85	110
Caretaker (Cemetery)	90	130
Carpenter	90	120
Caulker	90	120
Charcoal Maker	90	120
Chauffeur Mechanic	90	125
Chauffeur or Driver	85	105
Chairman	90	115
Checker	80	95
Checker, Railway Goods Yards	90	115

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GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Closers (boot repairing)	85	100
Clothing classifier	65	85
Coach Builder	90	120
Cobbler	90	125
Compositor	105	125
Compositor's Assistant	90	100
Compositor Chief	120	135
Concreter	85	120
Cooper	90	150
Coppersmith	90	135
Coremaker (Foundry)	90	120
Cubters	85	125
Dental Mechanics	100	125
Drier, F/c and Preparer	85	105
Driver, Truck		
" , Crane or Winch		
" , Mechanical Plant		
" , M.R. Electric		
" , Steam Roller or IC stationary	95	115
Driver Mechanic, Truck	95	125
Driver, Truck & Trailer	100	130
Driver, Engine Loco	100	130
Electricians	95	135
Elevator Repairer Mechanic	95	135
Employees, Clothing and Manufacturing Plants		
*Cutter, machine	100	135
*Clothing machine operator	85	105
*Cutter, pattern	150	195
*Cutter, assistant	85	95
*Embroiderer	90	115
*Sewing Hand	60	85
Exhumers of Bodies	-	95
Farrier	90	115
Farrier with own anvil	110	135
Fireman, Oil Fuel, Coal or Steam Loco	90	120
Fitter or Mechanic, Aero radial diesel	110	145
Fitter or Mechanic Automobile or MT	100	135
Foundryman	85	115
Gardener	85	95
Gear cutting specialist	-	165
Glazier	85	115
Grenser	85	105
Grinder, precision	100	135

*These grades are restricted to plants engaged in fabricating new garments for the Allied Forces and working under their direct control.

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GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Grooms or Stablemen	85	95
Gunfitter	90	136
Hammerman or Striker	90	105
Joiner	95	125
Laboratory & dispensary assistant	100	125
Life Savers	85	105
Lighthouse keeper	85	190
Lineman	100	135
Linotype Operator	100	145
Litho Engravers	130	165
Lithographer	100	145
Lithographer's assistant	90	105
Lumber Workers		
Choker Setter	85	115
Dogger	90	115
Edgerman	90	125
Feller	90	115
Log Turner	85	105
Lumber handler	85	95
Machine Minder	85	105
Machine Minder's Assistant	70	90
Machinist	90	135
Markers & Sorters	70	90
Masons	90	125
Mechanics, sewing machine		
" , typewriter		
" , wireless	100	135
Mechanics, Marine Engr (RN)	-	135
Mechanics assistant	90	105
Messenger		
English speaking (under 17)	-	65
" " (over 17)	70	90
Milling hand (Flour mill)	90	105
Motion Picture Operator	90	135
Moulders	90	135
Nurses (Hospital)	90	115
Occupational Therapist	90	115
Packer	85	95
Painter, varnisher, signwriter	85	120
Paper cutter operator	90	125
Parquet Layer	90	115
Pattern Maker	90	125
Pavement Layer	90	115
Permanent Way Inspector	85	110
Pier Supervisor	105	140

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GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Plasterer	95	120
Platelayer (Railroads)	85	105
Plater (Printing)	100	125
Plumber	90	120
Pointsman (Railroads)	85	95
Police Officer	85	120
Presser hand	85	110
Pressers, Machine (Hoffman Steam Press)	90	125
Printer	100	135
Process Engravers	130	165
Photo developer, single or machine	100	120
Printing Machine Minder	90	135
" " Mate	85	105
Quarryman	90	115
Recordak Operator	90	110
Repairer, Watch and Precision Instrument	120	165
Rigger	95	120
Rivet Heater	85	105
Riveter	95	120
Riveter Holder-up	85	105
Road Supervisor	90	125
Road Worker	85	95
Saddler	85	115
Saw Repairer and Sharpener	90	115
Sawyer	90	115
Sheet Metal Worker	100	135
Shoemaker (Special Boot and Surgical Work)	100	135
Shunter or Brakesman	85	105
Slater	85	105
Smelterer (Ore Smelting)	90	120
Stacker, Forage, expert	85	100
Stevedore	90	110
Stevedore, coaling ore	100	115
Stevedore head	100	125
Stereotyper	100	145
Stone Handcutter	95	120
Storeman or Storewoman	85	100
Tailor (with own machine)	105	125
Tailor (without own machine)	85	105
Tent Maker (with own machine)	105	125
Tent Maker (without own machine)	85	105
Tent Mender	85	105
Tile Layer	90	115
Time-keeper	90	135
Tinsmith	90	120
Toolmaker	90	125
Track Walker, railroad	85	105
Trimmer Coal	85	105
Turner	90	135
Truck Master	110	135
Truck Master's Assistant	100	125
Tire Treader	90	135

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GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
Upholsterer	90	120
Vulcanizer	90	120
Warehouseman or Storekeeper	90	135
Washer, hand	85	95
Washer, machine	85	105
Watchman	70	90
Welder	95	135
Wheelwright	90	115
*Unskilled Labor	-	85
Boys up to 17	-	45

*Laborers on main drains 10 Lire per day extra while actually employed on drains.

NOTE: ROME PROVINCE For ROME Province 10 Lire should be added to the Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale.

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APPENDIX "E" to AFHQ Adm. Memo #47

MARINE GRADES

Daily Rates

GRADE	Min. lire	Max. lire
*Diver	110	125
**Linesman (Navy)	85	95
Pumpman (Navy)	85	95
Rope Splicer	90	115
Sailmaker	95	125
Salvage Hand	85	105
Salvage Hand (Master)	100	125
Security Patrol Officer or Deputy Harbormaster	-	165
Shipwright	105	135

SEA-GOING RATES (SCHOONERS)

Master	-	250
1st Officer	-	200
2nd Officer	-	180
3rd Officer	-	170
Chief Engineer	-	250
1st Engineer	-	200
2nd Engineer	-	180
3rd Engineer	-	170
Bo'sun	-	150
Cook or Steward	-	140
Seaman	-	130

HARBOR CRAFT RATES - TUGBOATS, "Z" CRAFT ETC.

Master	-	180
Mate	-	140
Engineer	-	140
Cook or Steward	-	120
Seaman	-	120
Stoker or Fireman	-	125

BARGES & LIGHTERS

Bargeman and Lighterman	85	105
Master Bargeman and Master Lighterman	100	120

*Plus 35 Lire per hour under water.
**5 Lire per hour extra whilst tending diver.

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AUTHORIZED INCREASE TO ALLIED FORCES BASIC WAGE SCALE WITHIN ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TERRITORY

1. Reference is made to Paragraph 3 (a) AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 47, 1944, and the appendices listed therein.

2. The following increases in the Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale are effective as of 16 November 1944 within all territory under Italian Government control. (Including EAILE" area)

a. Daily Wage Group:

Present Wage	Authorized Increase	New Total Daily Wage
85 lire	60 lire	145 lire
90 "	60 "	150 "
95 "	60 "	155 "
100 "	60 "	160 "
105 "	60 "	165 "
110 "	60 "	170 "
115 "	60 "	175 "
120 "	60 "	180 "
125 "	57 "	182 "
130 "	55 "	185 "
135 "	52 "	187 "
From 140 lire to 165 lire inclusive, add 50 lire to each category		
170 "	47 "	217 "
175 "	45 "	220 "
180 "	42 "	222 "
185 "	40 "	225 "
From 185 lire and above, add 40 lire to each category		

b. Monthly Wage Group

Present Wage	Authorized Increase	New Total Monthly Wage
Up to and including		
3000 lire	1560 lire	4560 lire
3100 "	1530 "	4630 "

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Present Wage	Authorized Increase	New Total Monthly Wage
Up to and including		
3200 lire	1480 lire	4680 lire
3300 "	1430 "	4730 "
3400 "	1380 "	4780 "
3500 "	1330 "	4830 "
3600 "	1300 "	4900 "
From 3700 lire to 5000 lire inclusive, add 1300 lire		
5100 "	1230 "	6330 "
5200 "	1180 "	6380 "
5300 "	1130 "	6430 "
5400 "	1080 "	6480 "
5500 "	1040 "	6540 "
For 5600 lire and over, add 1040 lire		

3. Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale

Note 1, Appendix "C" to AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 47, 1944, is amended by the deletion of the word "proposed."

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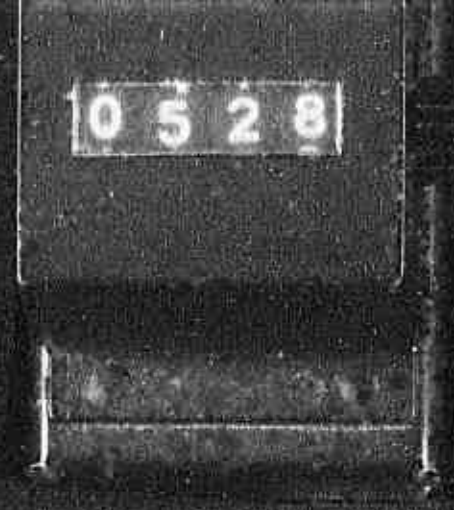
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